Answer to Question #61131, Chemistry / Physical Chemistry

 $1\ dm^3$ of a solution of 2M CuSO_4 is electrolyzed using platinum electrodes by passing 4.500 A current for 9000 s.

Calculate

a) the mass of Cu deposited

b) the amount of Cu²⁺ in the solution at the end of electrolysis

Answer:

1 dm³ = 1 L

$$m = \frac{I \times t \times M}{F \times z}$$
$$n = \frac{I \times t}{F \times z}$$
$$m(Cu) = \frac{4.5 A \times 9000 \ s \times 63.546 \ \frac{g}{mol}}{96485 \times 2} = 13.34 \ g$$

a) the mass of Cu deposited is 13.34 g

$$n = \frac{4.5 \ A \times 9000 \ s}{96485 \times 2} = 0.21 \ mol$$
$$n_{end} = 2.00 \ mol - 0.21 \ mol = 1.79 \ mol$$

b) the amount of Cu²⁺ in the solution at the end of electrolysis is 1.79 mol