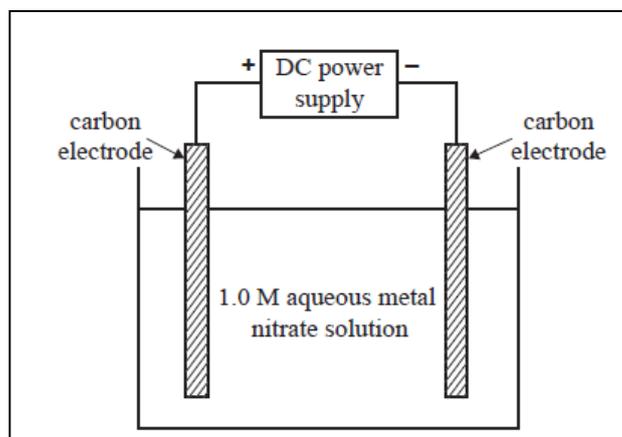


## Electrolytic cells worksheet 7

- 1) A current of 0.85 Amps was passed through the electrolytic cell shown on the right for 57.0 minutes. This was done three times and each time a different solution was used. The first time a 1.0 M  $\text{Cr}(\text{NO}_3)_3$  solution was used. The second time a 1.0 M  $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  solution was used and the third time a 1.0 M  $\text{AgNO}_3$  solution was used. Calculate the mass of each metal that was deposited on each separate occasion.



Step 1 Calculate the amount of charge delivered in Quolombs

$$\Rightarrow \text{Charge} = 0.85 \times 57.0 \times 60$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Charge} = 2907 \text{ C}$$

Step 2 calculate the mol of electrons delivered

$$\Rightarrow 2907 / 96500 = 0.0301$$

Step 3 Calculate the mol of each metal deposited.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Cr}^{3+}(\text{aq}) + 3\text{e} \Rightarrow \text{Cr}(\text{s}) \Rightarrow 0.0301 / 3 \text{ mol of Cr} \Rightarrow \text{mass} = 52.0 \times 0.0301 / 3 = 0.53 \text{ grams}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e} \Rightarrow \text{Cu}(\text{s}) \Rightarrow 0.0301 / 2 \text{ mol of Cu} \Rightarrow \text{mass} = 63.5 \times 0.0301 / 2 = 0.96 \text{ grams}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{e} \Rightarrow \text{Ag}(\text{s}) \Rightarrow 0.0301 \text{ mol of Ag} \Rightarrow \text{mass} = 108 \times 0.0301 = 3.3 \text{ grams}$$

- 2) An ornament was coated with a layer of metal M by electrolysis of the metal ion  $\text{M}^{y+}$ . A current of 1.85 amperes was applied for 20.00 minutes. What was the value of "y" if an amount of  $5.75 \times 10^{-3}$  mol of metal M was deposited?

Step 1 Calculate the amount of charge delivered in Quolombs

$$\Rightarrow \text{Charge} = 1.85 \times 20.0 \times 60$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Charge} = 2220 \text{ C}$$

Step 2 calculate the mol of electrons delivered

$$\Rightarrow 2220 / 96500 = 0.0230$$

Step 3 Find the ratio of mol of M to electrons

$$\Rightarrow 5.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol of M} : 0.0230 \text{ mol of electrons.}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 : 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{So for every mol of M, 4 mol of electrons are needed. Hence } y = 4$$

- 3) Given the following standard electrode potentials in volts



Explain why a reaction between chlorine gas and bromine ions is expected to produce no significant amount of HOBr product.

Using the Data booklet we can see that the strongest reductant present is  $\text{Br}^-$

The reaction will occur as indicated on the right.

The products will therefore be  $\text{Br}_2$  and

$\text{Cl}^-$  according to the reaction  $2\text{Br}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) \Rightarrow 2\text{Cl}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{Br}_2(\text{l})$

Students should try and use the data provided before assuming slow rate of reaction.

$\text{Cl}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Cl}^-(\text{aq})$	$2\text{HOBr}(\text{aq}) + 2\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Br}_2(\text{l}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \quad \dots +1.60 \text{ V}$	+1.36
$\text{O}_2(\text{g}) + 4\text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 4\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$	$\text{HOBr}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Br}^-(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \quad \dots +1.33 \text{ V}$	+1.23
$\text{Br}_2(\text{l}) + 2\text{e}^- \rightleftharpoons 2\text{Br}^-(\text{aq})$		+1.09