Answer on Question# 44379 Chemistry – Physical Chemistry

Water is decomposed using electricity into it's components; hydrogen gas and oxygen gas. If 5.5 moles of water is decomposed, what mass (in grams) of oxygen gas is produced?

Solution

$$2H_2O \rightarrow 2H_2 + O_2$$

$$n (O_2) = \frac{1}{2} n (H_2O) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 5,5 \text{ moles} = 2,75 \text{ moles}$$

M (O₂) - Formula mass

$$M(O_2) = 32$$

$$m(O_2) = n(O_2) \cdot M(O_2) = 2,75 \cdot 32 = 88 (g).$$

Answer: 88 g.