Answer on Question #48733 - Chemistry - Inorganic Chemistry

Question

Copper(II) carbonate is heated in a test tube. Gas produced is passed in lime water through a delivery tube. 6.2g of copper(ii) carbonate is used in the reaction. Calculate the volume of carbon dioxide gas produced at room condition.

Answer:

Heating of copper(II) carbonate:

$$CuCO_{3(s)} = CuO_{(s)} + CO_{2(g)}$$

CO₂ is a produced gas.

Number of moles of copper(II) carbonate equals:

$$n(CuCO_3) = \frac{m(CuCO_3)}{M(CuCO_3)} = \frac{6.2}{123.55} = 0.05 \text{ moles}$$

According to the reaction equation, number of moles of CO₂ produced is equal to that of copper(II) carbonate:

$$n(CO2) = n(CuCO3) = 0.05 moles$$

Then the volume of carbon dioxide (CO₂) is:

$$V(CO_2) = n(CO_2) \cdot V_m = 0.05 \cdot 22.4 = 1.12 L$$

Answer: 1.12 L of CO₂