

Question #48955, Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry

Question:

Compound X exhibits molar extinction coefficient of $245 \text{ m}^2\text{mol}^{-1}$ at 450 nm. What concentration of X in a solution will cause a 25% decrease in the intensity of 450 nm radiation when the solution is placed in a 0.01 m absorption cell ?

Answer:

The Beer-Lambert Law states:

$A = \epsilon Cl$, where $A = -\ln(I/I_0)$. We have that $I/I_0 = 0,75$, therefore:

$$-\ln(0.75) = 245 \times C \times 0.01 \Rightarrow C = 0.12 \text{ mol} / \text{m}^3$$

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