

Equilibrium Studies of L-Ascorbate Ions

IV. Equilibria between Cadmium(II) Ions, Ascorbate Ions, and Protons in Perchlorate Self Medium

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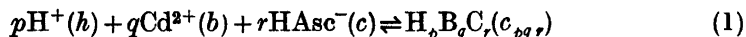
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Data were collected by potentiometric titrations at 25°C, using glass electrodes. The titrations yielded 420 experimental points. The concentration ranges used: $0.4 \leq [\text{Cd}^{2+}]_{\text{tot}} \leq 1.4$ M, $0.002 \leq [\text{H}_2\text{Asc}]_{\text{tot}} \leq 0.08$ M and $-6.5 \leq \log [\text{H}^+] \leq -1.0$ M, where $\text{H}_2\text{Asc} \equiv$ ascorbic acid.

In acid solutions, where $-4.5 \leq \log h \leq -1.0$, our data indicate the main species to be H_2Asc , HAsc^- and CdHAsc^+ .

In neutral solutions, where $-6.5 \leq \log h \leq -4.5$, the most important species seem to be HAsc^- , CdHAsc^+ , $\text{Cd}_2\text{Asc}^{2+}$, and Cd_4Asc_4 . We also found evidence for $\text{Cd}_2\text{Asc}_2\text{OH}^+$, Cd_3Asc_3 , and $\text{Cd}_2\text{Asc}_2\text{OH}^-$ (cf. part III). The least squares program LETAGROP was used to select and refine the final equilibrium model. In Table 5 are given the "best" values of the equilibrium constants.

In connexion with our studies on the system $\text{Cd}^{2+} - \text{HAsc}^- - \text{H}^+$ in the concentration interval $0.00125 \leq B \leq 0.2$ M, and $0.005 \leq C \leq 0.2$ M in part III³ we have now investigated the same system at higher cadmium concentrations. We were interested to know, *e.g.*, if Cd_4Asc_4 is important at high cadmium concentrations and if any species with two Cd^{2+} is formed. The equilibria studied can be written:



SYMBOLS

The notations H, B, C, stand for the reactants H^+ , Cd^{2+} and HAsc^- . Total concentrations are written H , B , C , and the free concentrations h , b , c . $H \equiv$ the excess (analytical) concentration of H^+ over Cd^{2+} , H_2O , and HAsc^- . $Z =$ the average number of H^+ bound per C. $Z_{\text{C/B}} =$ the average number of C bound per B. $Z^* = Z$ corrected for the hydrolysis of Cd^{2+} .

$C_{\text{noB}} = c + \sum r[\text{H}_p\text{C}_r]$, $C_{\text{noB}}Z_{\text{noB}} = \sum p[\text{H}_p\text{C}_r]$, $B_{\text{noC}} = b + \sum q[\text{Me}_q(\text{OH})_n]$,
 $B_{\text{noC}}Z_{\text{noC}} = \sum p[\text{Me}_q(\text{OH})_n]$. (V, E) = volume and emf measured. A complete list of symbols is given in part II.²

EXPERIMENTAL

Chemicals and analyses. Solutions of NaClO_4 , HClO_4 , NaOH , L-ascorbic acid and NaCl were prepared and analysed as in part I¹ and part III.³

$\text{Cd}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ was prepared and analysed as in part III.³ The analyses for Cd^{2+} were mostly carried out as electrolyses in a KCN solution.

Apparatus. Saltbridge, electrodes, potentiometer and thermostat have been described in part II² and part III.³

Notes on the emf measurements. The construction of the measuring cell and the procedure of mixing solutions were described in part II.³ In this article the glass electrode is written as + pole.

In the experiments, we used 4 different glass electrodes picked out from 5 Beckman 41260 electrodes.

The emf became stable within 5 min, except for the most basic points, where we often had to wait 30 min to get stable emf values.

Titrations with $C = 0.002 \text{ M}$ and $B = 0.4 \text{ M}$ gave stable emf values only for $\log h > -4.5$.

Figs. 1 and 2 show that the reproducibility is very good. The reversibility of the equilibria was checked by back titrations.

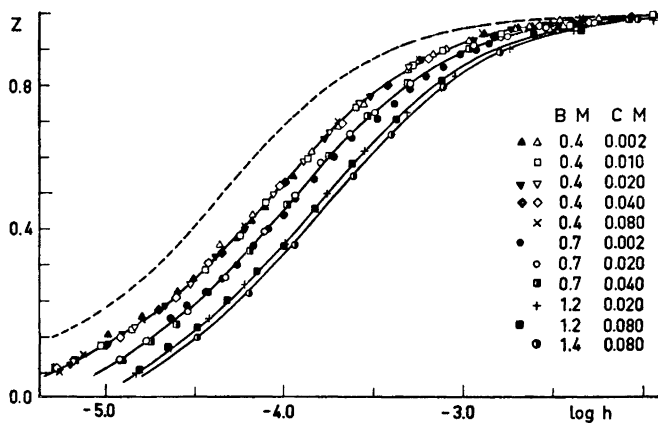


Fig. 1. Z (=the average number of H^+ bound per C) as a function of $\log h$. The full curves are normalized functions $[V/(1+V)](\log V)$ corresponding to $\log \beta_{101} = 4.36$ and $\log \beta_{011} = 0.41$. Back titrations are marked with filled symbols. The dashed line corresponds to the Z -curve for ascorbic acid when $\text{Cd}(\text{II})$ is absent.

SURVEY OF EXPERIMENTAL DATA

For each titration we have calculated E_0 and corrected H_0 or H_T using the computer program TRAVE,⁴ as described in part II.² The primary data $(V, E)_{B,C}$ have then been transformed to $(H, h)_{B,C}$ (Table 1 a) and $Z(\log h)_{B,C}$ (Figs. 1 and 2). $h = [\text{H}^+]$ was calculated from $E = \text{emf measured}$ (eqn. 2). H has been obtained from eqn. (3 a). From analyses we know the total con-

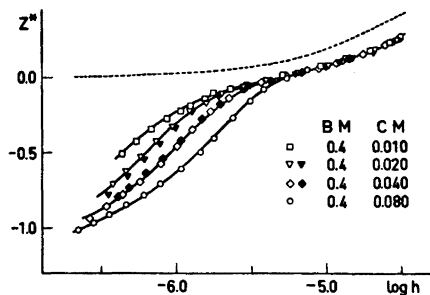


Fig. 2. Z^* (=the average number of H^+ bound per C) as a function of $\log h$. The full curves have been calculated using HALTAFALL⁵ and the constants in Table 5. Filled symbols represent back titrations. The dashed line corresponds to the Z -curve for ascorbic acid when $Cd(II)$ is absent.

centrations in the buret solution = H_T, B_T, C_T and in the first starting equilibrium solution = H_0, B_0, C_0 . Z was calculated from eqn. (4). For the graphical treatment we use Z^* , obtained by introducing a small correction for $Cd_4(OH)_4$ in Z (eqn. (6)). H_{calc} can be calculated from the general eqns. (5 a - c), and then Z_{calc} from eqn. (4).

$$E = E_0 + 59.155 \log h + E_j \quad E_j = -17 h \quad (2)$$

$$H = (V_0 H_0 + V H_T) / (V + V_0) \quad (3 a)$$

$$B = B_0 = B_T \quad (3 b)$$

$$C = C_0 = C_T \quad (3 c)$$

$$Z = (H - h + K_w h^{-1}) / C \quad (4)$$

$$H = h + \sum p \beta_{pq} h^p b^q c^r \quad (5 a)$$

$$B = b + \sum q \beta_{pq} h^p b^q c^r \quad (5 b)$$

$$C = c + \sum r \beta_{pq} h^p b^q c^r \quad (5 c)$$

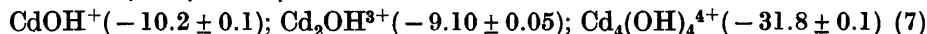
$$Z^* = Z - B_{noC} Z_{noC} / C \quad (6)$$

^a $K_w h^{-1} = [OH^-] \approx 0$.

^b $Z_{noC} = \sum p c_{pq0} / (b + \sum q c_{pq0})$; $c_{pq0} = \beta_{pq0} h^p b^q$; $B_{noC} \approx B$ and $b \approx B$.

TREATMENT OF DATA

In this study we could not neglect the hydrolysis of $Cd(II)$. We used the equilibrium constants given by Biedermann and Ciavatta⁵ (within parentheses is given $\log \beta_{pq0}$; $\beta_{pq0} = [H_p B_q] h^{-p} b^{-q}$):



We first studied the range $-4.5 \leq \log h \leq -1.0$, where we, as a first guess, assumed the complexes to be of the general form $B_q C_r$ (Fig. 1). In the range $-6.5 \leq \log h \leq -4.5$ we also have complexes $H_p B_q C_r$, with $p < 0$, indicated by the fact that $Z^* < 0$, (Fig. 2). At first, the two ranges of $\log h$ were treated separately, using normalized curves⁶⁻⁸ and the MESAK method.^{9,10} Data

Table 1a. Continued.

2.320	-25.10	-6.097	-21.55	-0.76	38,460	110.70	+4.104	7.80	0.17
3.588	-17.90	-5.979	-11.94	-0.59	35,440	97.30	+4.331	5.37	0.07
5.060	-9.30	-5.829	-11.32	-0.32	36,000	84.90	+4.540	3.45	0.06
6.250	-2.30	-5.711	-7.35	-0.06	38,920	71.10	+4.774	1.71	0.08
7.410	7.00	-5.554	-3.73	0.40	40,000	62.20	+4.924	0.74	0.09
8.330	17.80	-5.371	-1.02	0.49	41,740	51.10	+5.132	-0.34	0.06
15.880	29.70	-5.170	1.27	0.31	43,200	41.90	+5.267	-1.26	0.02
9.820	39.70	-5.081	3.11	0.20	44,780	34.60	+5.391	-2.12	0.02
10.510	48.60	-4.951	4.92	0.15	46,800	26.30	+5.531	-3.22	-0.04
11.320	57.20	-4.795	6.97	0.12	49,080	19.20	+5.651	-4.40	-0.10
12.690	66.80	-4.590	10.26	0.15	51,600	13.10	+5.754	-5.66	-0.16
14.680	78.20	-4.350	13.36	0.20	54,820	7.70	+5.845	-7.08	-0.11
15.880	87.00	-4.202	16.75	0.12	58,760	2.20	+5.938	-8.72	-0.06
18.090	99.20	-3.995	21.59	0.26	64,640	+4.90	+6.058	-10.91	-0.07
21.510	115.10	-3.726	27.23	0.33	70,660	+10.90	+6.160	-12.89	0.03
25.040	132.80	-3.427	32.50	0.34					
30.050	167.50	-2.640	38.92	0.25					
NEW VALUES									
0.520	193.40	-2.402	43.08	0.03	0.000	272.60	-1.457		
1.130	212.20	-2.083	47.66	-0.01	6.020	245.30	-1.028	51.61	-0.22
2.460	232.50	-1.737	58.11	0.04	9.020	210.00	-2.917	41.91	-0.39
4.630	247.80	-1.474	73.56	-0.06	10,540	183.00	-2,985	37.46	-0.96
6.540	255.90	-1.333	86.45	-0.07	12,180	162.60	-3,330	32.95	-0.61
9.050	263.20	-1.205	102.10	0.01	13,640	149.60	-3,589	29.18	-0.70
11.570	266.50	-1.111	117.10	0.29	15,540	136.60	-3,766	24.56	-0.85
15.030	273.70	-1.018	135.80	0.14	18,040	123.00	-3,999	19.01	-0.74
SATS 8 V ₀ =300f									
V	EA(MV)	LOGA	ATOT(MH)	DATA	0.000	86.20	+4,621	5.71	0.13
2.380	206.70	-0.916	202.67	+0.84	6.020	245.30	-1.028	51.61	-0.22
4.200	293.60	-1.005	178.64	-0.05	9.020	210.00	-2,917	41.91	-0.39
6.360	267.10	-1.125	155.03	-0.15	10,540	183.00	-2,985	37.46	-0.96
8.620	277.90	-1.287	131.55	-0.99	12,180	162.60	-3,330	32.95	-0.61
9.820	273.20	-1.369	122.76	-0.83	13,640	149.60	-3,589	29.18	-0.70
18.048	268.90	-1.473	113.42	-0.41	15,540	136.60	-3,766	24.56	-0.85
12.648	254.70	-1.688	108.04	-0.11	18,040	123.00	-3,999	19.01	-0.74
14.080	238.70	-1.962	96.33	-0.84	20,560	110.00	-4,219	13.87	-0.60
15.880	216.00	-2.347	83.47	-0.49	23,060	97.20	-4,435	9.19	-0.28
16.020	183.00	-2.986	76.78	-0.76	25,060	86.20	-4,621	5.71	0.13
17.620	162.90	-3.248	76.49	-0.54	26,780	77.60	-4,783	3.74	0.12
18.040	146.70	-3.486	84.06	-0.74	27,580	68.50	-4,920	1.63	0.19
19.440	135.60	-3.708	96.35	-0.52	28,880	59.30	-5,076	0.35	0.37
21.540	120.00	-3.961	114.14	-0.15	30,080	48.80	-5,253	0.23	-0.26
24.040	105.20	-4.222	132.94	0.12	31,580	41.20	-5,382	-0.24	-0.26
26.580	87.90	-4.514	153.42	-0.62	33,580	36.00	-5,478	-0.92	-0.87
28.860	71.00	-4.798	172.35	-0.56	37,080	27.80	-5,607	-1.26	1.09
31.060	51.40	-5.131	192.02	-0.31	42,088	18.60	-5.741	-16.85	1.17
32.080	43.60	-5.263	207.67	-0.23	46,080	9.00	-5.926	-22.47	0.47
34.060	34.20	-5.422	226.49	-0.05	54,100	0.70	-6.067	-27.76	0.41
36.860	26.70	-5.515	248.63	0.71	60,100	0.70	-6.212	-32.20	0.19
39.880	22.00	-5.554	273.59	1.87	66,120	0.70	-6.312	-34.89	0.07
43.080	14.70	-5.751	302.99	1.87	68,120	0.70	-6.401	-37.36	0.29
46.880	9.10	-5.846	339.93	1.58	70,120	0.70	-6.444	-38.83	0.47
50.860	1.70	-5.971	406.61	1.17	74,140	0.70	-6.520	-40.75	1.33
54.080	-0.80	-6.115	466.93	0.04					
57.080	-13.20	-6.223	502.50	-0.34					
60.100	-20.30	-6.343	527.33	-0.80					
63.100	-26.70	-6.451	547.59	-0.36					
66.100	-33.10	-6.560	577.15	0.29					
69.120	-39.10	-6.661	611.46	1.36					
SATS 9 V ₀ =90.85									
V	EA(MV)	LOGA	ATOT(MH)	DATA	0.000	281.60	-1.283		
0.235	75.70	+4.644	0.32	-0.05	0.800	289.70	-1.316	68.45	-0.22
0.513	79.20	+4.551	0.40	-0.06	2.200	286.90	-1.365	62.95	-0.14
0.805	85.90	+4.438	0.48	-0.07	3.600	283.60	-1.422	57.90	-0.16
1.108	90.70	+4.356	0.56	-0.07	4.600	281.30	-1.462	54.55	-0.13
1.455	96.10	+4.285	0.66	-0.07	5.700	278.60	-1.507	51.08	-0.06
1.851	101.50	+4.214	0.76	-0.07	6.700	276.30	-1.548	48.10	-0.08
2.243	104.50	+4.089	0.87	-0.07	7.800	273.30	-1.600	45.01	-0.02
2.683	111.60	+4.003	0.98	-0.07	14.020	252.00	-1.944	30.45	0.13
3.098	115.80	+3.932	1.09	-0.07	18.030	226.40	-2.399	23.94	0.13
3.693	121.70	+3.832	1.23	0.07	20.040	205.10	-2.746	19.78	0.07
4.373	124.80	+3.726	1.40	0.07	21.540	187.70	-3.054	17.52	0.11
5.099	134.00	+3.624	1.56	-0.07	23.240	171.70	-3.325	15.10	-0.03
5.899	142.10	+3.467	1.74	0.04	25.050	157.90	-3.558	12.69	-0.12
6.679	148.00	+3.388	1.92	0.03	27.090	145.10	-3.774	10.21	-0.25
7.491	153.30	+3.208	2.09	0.03	29.580	133.10	-4.008	7.33	-0.16
8.380	158.60	+3.208	2.27	0.02	31.660	118.00	-4.217	5.00	-0.09
9.430	164.10	+3.118	2.47	0.02	33,660	106.70	-4.424	3.11	-0.13
10.720	169.60	+3.022	2.71	0.01	35,470	94.40	-4.631	1.42	-0.03
12.150	174.80	+2.934	2.97	0.01	37,170	81.80	-4.844	0.09	-0.01
13.620	179.10	-2.862	3.21	-0.07	38,380	72.60	-4.997	-0.12	-0.04
15.320	183.20	-2.792	3.48	-0.07	39,700	65.60	-5.152	-0.26	-0.11
17.280	187.20	-2.725	3.77	-0.07	41,780	55.30	-5.326	-0.82	-0.10
19.590	190.90	-2.662	4.09	-0.02	43,950	44.80	-5.470	-1.51	-0.03
22.560	194.90	-2.594	4.47	-0.01	46,600	36.60	-5.609	-2.23	0.07
25.950	198.60	-2.532	4.85	0.01	49,890	28.40	-5.747	-3.03	0.16
30.130	201.90	-2.476	5.28	-0.01	53,960	19.90	-5.891	-3.81	0.29
36.140	205.90	-2.410	5.81	0.02	58,000	10.90	-6.043	-4.64	0.15
44.140	209.20	-2.352	6.41	-0.01	64,060	2.30	-6.188	-5.68	0.06
SATS 10 V ₀ =360f									
V	EA(MV)	LOGA	ATOT(MH)	DATA	68,700	+4.80	+6.308	-6.03	-0.02
0.000	270.50	-1.391	60.39	0.18	73,420	+10.10	+6.398	-7.04	0.29
3.900	261.60	-1.549	48.36	0.03	79,540	+14.20	+6.467	-8.21	-0.12
5.580	257.40	-1.617	44.22	-0.19	81,150	+20.70	+6.577	-9.57	-0.16
6.660	254.40	-1.669	41.43	-0.11					
8.620	250.60	-1.734	38.37	-0.06					
10.520	242.70	-1.869	33.29	0.05					
15.500	218.80	-2.275	24.83	0.02					
17.460	202.50	-2.552	21.99	-0.01					
19.580	190.20	-2.760	20.47	-0.01					
19.480	179.60	-2.939	19.30	-0.04					
21,700	158.80	-3.291	16.58	0.13					
23,240	144.50	-3.499	14.83	-0.01					
24,900	138.90	-3.627	13.47	0.01					
26,150	130.30	-3.773	11.83	-0.01					
28,160	120.60	-3.937	9.85	0.03					
SATS 11 V ₀ =320f									
V	EA(MV)	LOGA	ATOT(MH)	DATA	0.000	272.60	-1.457		
6.020	245.30	-1.028	6.020	245.30	-1.028	51.61	-0.22		
9.020	210.00	-2.917	9.020	210.00	-2,917	41.91	-0.39		
10,540	183.00	-2,985	10,540	183.00	-2,985	37.46	-0.96		
12,180	162.60	-3,330	12,180	162.60	-3,330	32.95	-0.61		
13,640	149.60	-3,589	13,640	149.60	-3,589	29.18	-0.70		
15,540	136.60	-3,766	15,540	136.60	-3,766	24.56	-0.85		
18,040	123.00	-3,999	18,040	123.00	-3,999	19.01	-0.74		
20,560	110.00	-4,219	20,560	110.00	-4,219	13.87	-0.60		
23,060	97.20	-4,435	23,060	97.20	-4,435	9.19	-0.28		
25,060	86.20	-4,621	25,060	86.20	-4,621	5.71	0.13		
26,780	77.60	-4,783	26,780	77.60	-4,783	3.74	0.12		
27,580	68.50	-4,920	27,580	68.50	-4,920	1.63	0.19		
28,880	59.30	-5,076	28,880	59.30	-5,076	0.35	0.37		
30,080	48.80	-5,253	30,080	48.80	-5,253	0.23	-0.26		
31,580	41.20	-5,382	31,580	41.20	-5,382	-0.24	-0.26		
33,580	36.00	-5,478	33,580	36.00	-5,478	-0.92	-0.87		
37,080	27.80	-5,607	37,080	27.80	-5,607	-1.26	1.09		
42,088	18.60	-5.741	42,088	18.60	-5.741	-16.85	1.17		
46,080	9.00	-5.926	46,080	9.00	-5.926	-22.47	0.47		
54,100	0.70	-6.067	54,100	0.70	-6.067	-27.76	0.41		
60,100	0.70	-6.212	60,100	0.70	-6.212	-32.20	0.19		
66,120									

Table 1a. Continued.

40,900	283.10	-1.398	120.02	-0.99	19,530	245.80	-2,050	88.80	-1.60
43,600	286.50	-1.359	125.79	-0.98	21,330	220.70	-2,476	80.59	-1.63
47,100	289.70	-1.283	131.93	-0.98	22,830	200.60	-2,817	74.17	-1.64
50,100	291.80	-1.247	136.77	-0.98	24,930	182.80	-3,118	65.77	-1.18
54,210	294.40	-1.201	142.84	-0.92	27,040	165.70	-3,407	54.72	-0.76
58,820	296.70	-1.160	148.98	-0.96	30,960	153.20	-3,618	44.87	-0.73
64,120	298.70	-1.125	155.29	-0.94	36,080	134.30	-3,938	30.17	-0.69
SATURATED V ₂ S ₂ O ₈ V ₂ S ₂ O ₈ LGCA ATOT (MM) DATA									
0,000	317.70	+0.791	241.33	0.36	40,560	118.80	-4,200	18.96	-0.57
1,530	314.70	+0.847	222.56	-0.68	45,059	101.70	-4,489	9.04	-0.65
2,950	312.80	+0.883	211.03	-0.15	49,550	84.70	-4,776	0.30	-0.30
3,480	311.00	+0.914	201.44	-0.21	54,040	71.20	-5,005	-7.51	0.30
4,350	309.20	+0.949	192.35	-0.00	57,770	64.00	-5,126	-13.30	1.12
5,400	307.10	+0.987	182.33	0.53	62,120	57.10	-5,243	-19.54	1.25
7,020	305.20	+1.058	167.98	-0.56	68,120	51.10	-5,344	-27.25	2.41
8,250	300.20	+1.111	157.90	-0.58	72,150	47.20	-5,410	-31.92	2.33
9,480	297.10	+1.166	148.67	-0.59	New Order				
10,950	292.90	+1.240	137.00	-0.66	2,250	43.70	-5,469	-36.48	2.41
13,500	284.20	-1.392	121.29	-1.13	4,750	37.10	-5,581	-45.04	2.45
16,830	268.90	-1.656	102.31	-0.94	18,030	18.90	-5,889	-63.68	0.29
					33,060	9.00	-6,293	-83.69	1.49

Table 1 b. For each titration are given: the total concentrations, E_0 estimated from a few acid points, the final value of E_0 and δH obtained in the refinement of the equilibrium model (from LETAGROP). Concentrations are in M and emf values in mV.

titration No.	B	C	H_0	H_T	E_0 (from acid points)	$E_0 \pm 3\sigma$ (refined)	$10^3(\delta H \pm 3\sigma)$
1	0.4	0.002	0.00797	-0.00801	342.9	^a 342.9 ± 0.2	^a -0.01 ± 0.01 ^b -0.01 ± 0.02
2	0.4	0.002	0.00023	0.01088	342.4	342.6 ± 0.3	-0.02 ± 0.02 -0.03 ± 0.02
3	0.4	0.010	0.03032	-0.01800	348.7	348.6 ± 0.2	0.02 ± 0.04 -0.01 ± 0.07
4	0.4	0.020	0.05736	-0.0423	347.2	347.1 ± 0.2	± 0.0 ± 0.1 -0.1 ± 0.2
5	0.4	0.020	-0.01579	0.1033	350.7	350.8 ± 0.8	0.2 ± 0.3 ± 0.0 ± 0.2
6	0.4	0.040	0.1195	-0.0898	354.7	354.6 ± 0.2	0.2 ± 0.2 -0.1 ± 0.3
7	0.4	0.040	-0.0317	0.1094	335.6	335.6 ± 0.3	-0.3 ± 0.4 -0.2 ± 0.5
8	0.4	0.080	0.2345	-0.2186	354.8	355.0 ± 0.4	-0.1 ± 0.6 -0.5 ± 0.5
9	0.7	0.002	0.00025	0.01210	348.4	^b 348.4 ± 0.3	^b 0.05 ± 0.02
10	0.7	0.020	0.06040	-0.04400	353.5	353.4 ± 0.2	-0.1 ± 0.1
11	0.7	0.040	0.0755	-0.1006	358.7	359.5 ± 1.5	0.2 ± 0.7
12	1.2	0.020	0.07185	-0.05812	368.4	368.4 ± 0.2	± 0.0 ± 0.2
13	1.2	0.080	-0.0709	0.2611	366.5	366.4 ± 0.4	-0.1 ± 0.6
14	1.4	0.080	0.2406	-0.1463	367.4	367.2 ± 0.4	0.7 ± 1.0

^a Values obtained, using data with $B=0.4$ M and the constants in Table 5.

^b Values from calculations, using all data giving also $\log \beta_{101} = 4.34$, $\log \beta_{011} = 0.37$, $\log \beta_{121} = -5.48$, $\log \beta_{444} = -17.19$, $\log \beta_{554} = -23.35$, $\log \beta_{333} = -13.91$, and $\log \beta_{433} = -21.02$. For $B=0.4$ M, E_0 differed only ≤ 0.1 V from those given under ^a.

from the two ranges were then treated together by the least squares program LETAGROP,^{11,12} using the primary data $(V, E)_{B,C}$ directly, minimizing $\sum(Z_{\text{calc}} - Z)^2$ (cf. eqns. (2) - (5)).

Graphical treatment of data in the range -4.5 ≤ log h ≤ -1.0

$Z^*(\log h)_{B,C}$ for different C -values coincide, as long as B is constant. The shape of $Z^*(\log h)_{B,C}$ is the same as for a monobasic acid. Curves for different B -values are approximately parallel for $\log h < -3.5$ (Fig. 1).

1. *The values of r indicated by the curves $Z^*(\log h)_{B,C}$.* We make use of the self medium and consider first each B -value separately, writing the complexes formally $H_p C_r$. From eqn. (6) in this article and eqns. (4), (5 a), (7 a), (7 c) and (8 a) in part II² we obtain

$$Z^* = \sum_{r \neq 0} p \beta_{pq} h^p b^q c^r / (c + \sum_{r \neq 0} r \beta_{pq} h^p b^q c^r) \quad (8 a)$$

Z^* is independent of C only if $r=1$ (if c cannot be neglected). As seen in Fig. 1, $Z^*(\log h)_{B,C}$ for different C -values gives a single curve indicating that $r=1$ for the main complexes.

2. *The values of q . Normalized curves fitted to $Z^*(\log h)_{B,C}$. Determination of β_{pq} .* If we assume cadmium complexes of the form $B_q C_r$, ($p=0$) and use the information that $r=1$ we get

$$Z^* = [H_2Asc] / ([H_2Asc] + [HAsc^-] + CdHAsc^+ + Cd_2HAsc^{3+} + \dots) \quad (8 b)$$

Eqn. (8 b) can be written

$$Z^* = \beta_{101} h / (1 + B F(B) + \beta_{101} h); \quad F(B) = \sum_q \beta_{0q1} B^{q-1} \quad (8 c)$$

Eqn. (8 c) can be normalized to

$$Z^* = V / (1 + V), \quad \text{where } V = [\beta_{101} / (1 + B F(B))] h \quad (8 d)$$

The normalized function $[V / (1 + V)](\log V)$ could be fitted to the experimental curves $Z^*(\log h)_{B,C}$ (Fig. 1). From the translation $\log V - \log h = \log [\beta_{101} / (1 + B F(B))]$ of each curve in Fig. 1 to the "best" fit we calculated $F(B)$ using $\log \beta_{101} = 4.360$:

$F(B) = 0.41 \pm 0.05$ independent of B , thus $q=1$ (cf. (8 c)). The predominating complex is $CdHAsc^+$ with

$$\log \beta_{011} = 0.41 \pm 0.05 \quad (8 e)$$

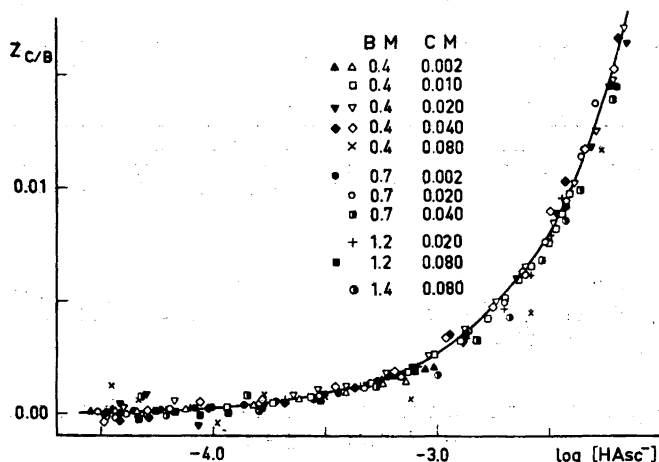


Fig. 3. $Z_{C,B}$ (= the average number of C bound per B) as a function of $c = [HAsc^-]$. The full curve is the normalized function $[x / (1 + x)](\log x)$ corresponding to $\log \beta_{011} = 0.40$. Filled symbols represent back titrations.

3. The value of q , r and β_{pq} , obtained using $Z_{C/B} (\log c)_{B,C}$. It is possible to calculate $Z_{C/B}$ and $c = [\text{HAsc}^-]$ if we assume $B_q C$, complexes only, i.e. $p = 0$. The average number of H^+ bound per C in the complexes = $Z'_{H/C}$ is then zero. From eqns. (12) and (9 a) in part II² we can calculate Z_{noB} and C_{noB} ($B_{\text{noC}} Z_{\text{noC}} = 0$). $Z_{C/B}$ can then be obtained from eqn. (9 c), and c from eqn. (5 a).

In Fig. 3 can be seen that $Z_{C/B} (\log[\text{HAsc}^-])_{B,C}$ coincide for different values of B indicating that $q = 1$.

If we assume that CdHAsc^+ is the only complex, then:

$$Z_{C/B} = \beta_{011} c / (1 + \beta_{011} c), c = [\text{HAsc}^-] \quad (8 f)$$

The experimental points could be fitted with the normalized function $[x/(1+x)](\log x)$, $x = \beta_{101} c$ (Fig. 3) giving:

$$\log \beta_{011} = 0.40 \pm 0.05 \quad (8 g)$$

Graphical treatment of data in the range $-6.5 \leq \log h \leq -4.5$

In Fig. 2 are shown the data for $B = 0.4 \text{ M}$. The complexes can formally be written $H_p C_r$, (B in the medium).² The curves for different C -values coincide for $\log h > -5.2$. This indicates $r = 1$.

We applied the MESAK^{9,10} method (Figs. 4 a and b). This indicated that complexes with $p = -1$, and $r = 1$ predominate for $\log h > -5.4$, that is Cd_0Asc . For $\log h < -5.4$ complexes with higher q - and r -values also seem to be present.

For $\log h > -5.4$ we assumed one complex with $p = -1$, and $r = 1$, thus Cd_0Asc . The value of Q can be determined from a comparison between different media (cf. part II²).

1. Use of normalized functions to determine Q and β_{1Q1} for Cd_0Asc (Fig. 5). Assuming one basic complex Cd_0Asc , we obtain:

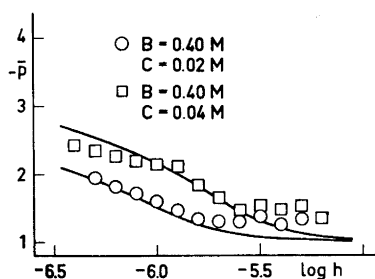


Fig. 4 a. \bar{p} (= the average number of H^+ bound per complex excluding CdHAsc^+) as a function of $\log h$. Experimental values obtained by the MESAK⁹ method are marked with \circ and \square . Theoretical values, calculated by HALTAFALL,¹⁴ are represented by solid curves (equilibrium constants from Table 5).

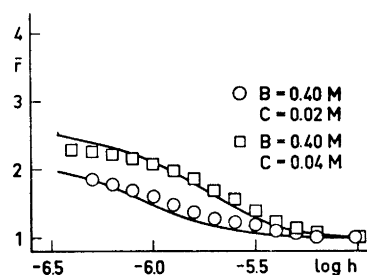


Fig. 4 b. \bar{r} (= the average number of HAsc^- bound per complex excluding CdHAsc^+) as a function of $\log h$. Experimental values obtained by the MESAK⁹ method are marked with \circ and \square . Theoretical values, calculated by HALTAFALL,¹⁴ are represented by solid curves (equilibrium constants from Table 5).

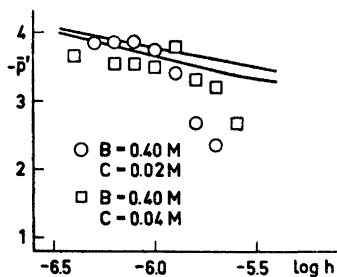


Fig. 4 c. \bar{p}' (=the average number of H^+ bound per complex, excluding $CdHAsc^+$ and Cd_2Asc^{2+}) as a function of $\log h$. Experimental values obtained by the MESAK^{*} method are marked with \circ and \square . Theoretical values, calculated by HALTAFALL,¹⁴ are represented by solid lines (equilibrium constants from Table 5).

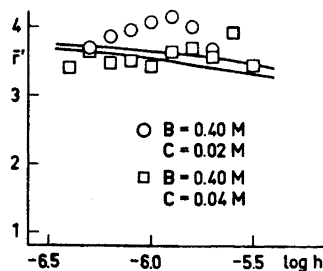


Fig. 4 d. \bar{F}' (=the average number of $HAsc^-$ bound per complex, excluding $CdHAsc^+$ and Cd_2Asc^{2+}) as a function of $\log h$. Experimental values obtained by the MESAK^{*} method are marked with \circ and \square . Theoretical values, calculated by HALTAFALL,¹⁴ are represented by solid lines (equilibrium constants from Table 5).

$$Z^* = \frac{([H_2Asc] - [Cd_0Asc])}{([H_2Asc] + [HAsc^-] + [CdHAsc^+] + [Cd_0Asc])} \quad (9 a)$$

which can be written

$$Z^* = \frac{(\beta_{101}h - \beta_{i01}B^0 h^{-1})}{(1 + \beta_{101}h + \beta_{011}B + \beta_{i01}B^0 h^{-1})} \quad (9 b)$$

Eqn. (9 b) can be normalized to

$$Z^* = \frac{(V - RV^{-1})}{(1 + V + RV^{-1})}; \quad V = \frac{\beta_{101}}{(1 + B\beta_{011})}h$$

$$R = \frac{\beta_{101}\beta_{i01}B^0}{(1 + B\beta_{011})^2} \quad (9 c)$$

The normalized function $[(V - RV^{-1})/(1 + V + RV^{-1})](\log V)$ was fitted to the curves in Fig. 5. From the "best" fit we got values of R , using $\log \beta_{011} = 0.41$,

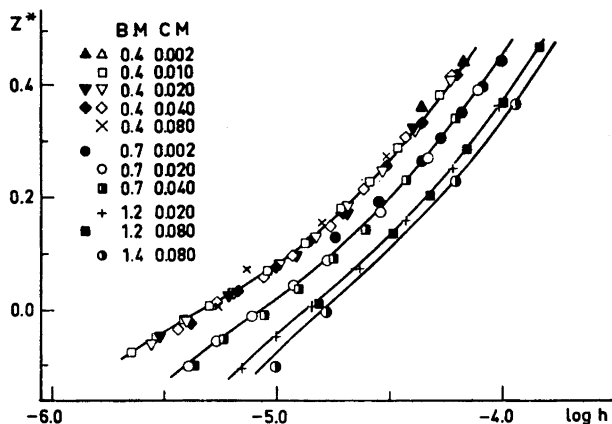


Fig. 5. Z^* (=the average number of H^+ bound per C) as a function of $\log h$. The solid curves are normalized functions $[(V - RV^{-1})/(1 + V + RV^{-1})](\log V)$, corresponding to $\log \beta_{i11} = -5.44$.

and $\log \beta_{101} = 4.36$. From R , $\log \beta_{111}$ or $\log \beta_{121}$ were calculated, thus assuming $Q = 1$ or 2 (Table 2). Since β_{121} is independent of B , the data are best described by (121) with the formation constant

$$\log \beta_{121} = -5.44 \pm 0.10 \quad (9 d)$$

2. Average composition of complexes $H_p B_q C_r$, with higher values of p , q and r . The average values of p and r in Figs. 4 a and b, obtained by the MESAK^{9,10}

Table 2. Values of the shape parameter R and the formation constants β_{111} and β_{121} calculated assuming one complex $Cd_Q Asc$ with $p < 0$ to be present, using $\log \beta_{011} = 0.41$, and $\log \beta_{101} = 4.36$.

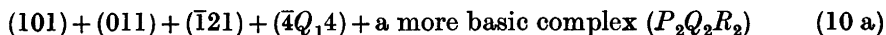
B	R	$\log \beta_{111}$	$\log \beta_{121}$
0.4 M	0.003	-5.8 ₇	-5.4 ₇
0.7 M	0.005	-5.6 ₃	-5.4 ₈
1.2 M	0.007	-5.3 ₇	-5.4 ₅
1.4 M	0.008	-5.2 ₁	-5.3 ₆

method, indicate that at least one more complex with $r > 1$ is present in the solution. This is also indicated by the fact that the curves in Fig. 2 do not coincide.

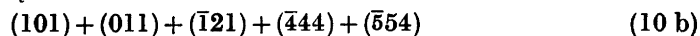
We calculated new values of \bar{p} and \bar{r} , now with $Cd_2 Asc^{2+}$ subtracted. As seen in Figs. 4 c and d, these values indicate complexes with $r = 3$ or 4 and, roughly, $-p = r$.

Selection of a set of complexes, giving the best fit with the data by LETAGROP calculations

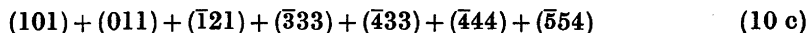
The data for $B = 0.4$ M were used to select a set of complexes giving "best" fit with these data, choosing $q = r$, since q cannot be determined, while B is kept constant (*cf.* note on the Self medium method in part II²). We tried various combinations, starting with (101) + (011) + (121) + (333). Low values of U and $\sigma(Z)$ were obtained for combinations:



We determined Q_1 , P_2 , Q_2 and R_2 by calculations on each medium separately, combined with comparisons of $\log \beta_{pqr}$ -values obtained from the different media. As seen in Table 3, the lowest U - and $\sigma(Z)$ -values and the best constancy of $\log \beta_{\bar{4}Q_1,4}$ and $\log \beta_{P_2Q_2R_2}$, were obtained by (10 b):



We added (333) and (433) as given in part III³ of this series. U and $\sigma(Z)$ came out slightly lower than for (10 b). The same values of $\beta_{\bar{4}44}$ and $\beta_{\bar{5}54}$ were obtained within 3σ (Tables 3 and 5). Thus by adding (333) and (433) we get:



From the medium with $B = 0.4$ M we have chosen 121 points and used the "SPECIES SELECTOR" in LETAGROP¹³ to systematically try adding new

Table 3. LETAGROP^{11,12} calculations minimizing $U_z = \sum (Z_{\text{calc}} - Z)^2$. Log $\beta_{101} = 4.37$, log $\beta_{011} = 0.41$, log $\beta_{121} = -5.46$, log $\beta_{110} = -10.2$, log $\beta_{120} = -9.1$, and log $\beta_{444} = -31.8$ were not varied. For the last two columns we use log $\beta_{PQR} = \log \beta_{PR} + Q \log B$. See Ref. 2, note on the Self medium method. For example, log $\beta_{554} = \log \beta_{544} + (5-4) \log B$.

B	Number of points	$U \times 10^4$	(σZ)	log $\beta_{444} \pm 3\sigma$	(log $\beta_{PQR} \pm 3\sigma$)	(PQR)	log $\beta_{PQR} + \log B$	log $\beta_{PQR} - \log B$
0.4	239	307	0.0114	-17.14 ± 0.07	-16.54 ± 0.09	(322)	-16.14	-16.94
		222	0.0097	-17.04 ± 0.05	-23.26 ± 0.07	(422)	-22.86	-23.66
		228	0.0099	-17.16 ± 0.07	-20.16 ± 0.09	(433)	-19.76	-20.56
		205	0.0093	-17.02 ± 0.05	-26.93 ± 0.07	(533)	-26.53	-27.33
		203	0.0093	-17.12 ± 0.07	-23.78 ± 0.06	(544)	-23.38	-24.18
		214	0.0095	-17.01 ± 0.05	-30.61 ± 0.08	(644)	-30.21	-31.01
		216	0.0096	-17.13 ± 0.09	-27.48 ± 0.09	(655)	-27.08	-27.88
		231	0.0099	-17.00 ± 0.05	-34.30 ± 0.09	(755)	-33.90	-34.70
0.7	84	87	0.0106	-16.75 ± 0.09	-22.81 ± 0.09	(422)	-22.66	-22.96
		83	0.0101	-16.75 ± 0.09	-26.38 ± 0.08	(533)	-26.23	-26.53
		86	0.103	-16.96 ± 0.14	-23.25 ± 0.09	(544)	-23.10	-23.38
		77	0.0097	-16.75 ± 0.08	-29.94 ± 0.09	(644)	-29.79	-30.09
		99	0.0117	-17.11 ± 0.16	-26.93 ± 0.08	(655)	-26.78	-27.08
1.2	66	59	0.0097	-16.80 ± 0.07	-23.19 ± 0.14	(422)	-23.27	-23.11
		52	0.0091	-16.81 ± 0.07	-26.60 ± 0.15	(533)	-26.68	-26.52
		21	0.0056	-17.00 ± 0.07	-23.30 ± 0.07	(544)	-23.38	-23.22
		41	0.0080	-16.84 ± 0.07	-30.00 ± 0.12	(644)	-30.08	-29.92
		36	0.0075	-17.01 ± 0.11	-26.90 ± 0.10	(655)	-26.98	-26.82
1.4	31	74	0.0203	-16.91 ± 0.14	-22.71 ± 0.3	(422)	-22.9	-22.6
		12	0.0071	-16.83 ± 0.06	-25.95 ± 0.09	(533)	-26.10	-25.80
		11	0.0069	-16.96 ± 0.06	-23.01 ± 0.09	(544)	-23.16	-22.86
		12	0.0071	-16.83 ± 0.06	-29.59 ± 0.10	(644)	-29.74	-29.44
		18	0.0079	-16.96 ± 0.12	-26.65 ± 0.13	(655)	-26.79	-26.50

complexes to the model (10 b). None of these could significantly improve the fit* (Fig. 6).

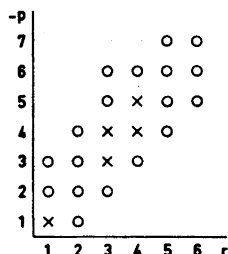


Fig. 6. Complexes tested, using 121 points for $B=0.4$ M. (p, r) for complexes found in the final model are marked with x.

One may notice that the average values of p and r for $H_p B_q C_r$, with $p > 1$ in the final model (10 b) agree well with those found by graphical integration

* Those with $\beta_{pqr} < 3\sigma(\beta_{pqr})$ were rejected.

Table 4. LETAGROP calculations minimizing $U_z = \sum(Z_{\text{calc}} - Z)^2$. $\log \beta_{101} = 4.372$, $\log \beta_{011} = 0.41$, $\log \beta_{532} = -13.70$, $\log \beta_{433} = -21.00$, $\log \beta_{110} = -10.2$, $\log \beta_{120} = -9.1$, and $\log \beta_{440} = -31.8$ were not varied. $\delta E_0 = 0$, and $\delta H = 0$. (Comparison between different media).

B	Number of points	$U_z \times 10^4$	$\sigma(Z)$	$\log(\beta_{pqr} \pm 3\sigma)$	(pqr)
0.4	239	201	0.0093	-5.51 ± 0.04	($\bar{1}21$) -17.13 ± 0.15 ($\bar{4}44$) -23.34 ± 0.09 ($\bar{5}54$)
0.7	84	86	0.0103	-5.48 ± 0.05	($\bar{1}21$) -16.95 ± 0.19 ($\bar{4}44$) -23.06 ± 0.09 ($\bar{5}54$)
1.2	66	18	0.0054	-5.47 ± 0.02	($\bar{1}21$) -17.03 ± 0.06 ($\bar{4}44$) -23.32 ± 0.06 ($\bar{5}54$)
1.4	31	11	0.0069	-5.43 ± 0.06	($\bar{1}21$) -17.04 ± 0.17 ($\bar{4}44$) -23.11 ± 0.11 ($\bar{5}54$)

Table 5. Results of LETAGROP calculations, using 239 points with $B = 0.4$ M, minimizing $U_z = \sum(Z_{\text{calc}} - Z)^2$. The corresponding reactions are given in eqn. (12). $\log \beta_{110} = -10.2$, $\log \beta_{120} = -9.1$, and $\log \beta_{440} = -31.8$ were not varied. (Refinement).

$U_z \times 10^4$	$\sigma(Z)$	(101)	(011)	($\bar{1}21$)	($\bar{4}44$)	$\log(\beta_{pqr} \pm 3\sigma)$ (554)	($\bar{3}33$)	($\bar{4}33$)
201	0.0093	4.37 ± 0.02	0.41 ± 0.03	-5.52 ± 0.04	-17.16 ± 0.12	-23.36 ± 0.03	-13.71 ± 0.01	-21.02 ± 0.10
$\delta E_0 = 0$ and $\delta H = 0$								
169	0.0085	4.37 ± 0.02	0.41 ± 0.04	-5.52 ± 0.04	-17.16 ± 0.08	-23.39 ± 0.16	-13.75 ± 0.12	-21.01 ± 0.02
δE_0 and δH varied (Table 1 b)								

using the MESAK method (Fig. 4). The consistency of the equilibrium constants was checked by calculations on each medium separately (Table 4). The agreement of $\log \beta_{pqr}$ was within 0.15.

Refinement of the equilibrium model by least squares treatment, using LETAGROP

All 239 points from the medium with $B = 0.4$ M were used to refine the equilibrium model (10 c) minimizing $U_z = \sum(Z_{\text{calc}} - Z)^2$ (Table 5). Systematic errors were treated as parameters. We assumed analytical errors in $H = \delta H$, and also small errors in $E_0 = \delta E_0$:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Final } H &= H \text{ (calculated from analyses, cf. part II } ^2) + \delta H \\ \text{Final } E_0 &= E_0 \text{ (calculated from a few acid points, cf. part II } ^2) + \delta E_0 \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

As seen in Table 1 b, δH and δE_0 are small. The corresponding errors $\delta(\log h)$ and $\delta(Z)$ have no trends. They correspond to very small shifts of the curves $Z(\log h)_{B,C}$ in Figs. 1 and 2. The value of $\sigma(Z) = 0.0085$ is very good.

We also refined the final equilibrium model, using all 420 experimental points from all B -values, treating the systematic errors as parameters. The values of the equilibrium constants were the same (within 3σ) as obtained from the refinement with data for $B = 0.4$ M, but $\sigma(Z) = 0.0098$ was somewhat

higher. A small variation in the activity coefficients may cause the higher $\sigma(Z)$ when all data were used. Analytical errors in H , B or C , or small amounts of another complex could also give a higher $\sigma(Z)$.

To estimate the systematic errors we practised the same strategy as in parts I¹ and III.³

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

As the final result we propose the following reactions and constants valid in 3 M(Na,Cd)ClO₄ medium and at 25°C.

pqr	Reaction	$\log(\beta_{pqr} \pm 3\sigma)$
1. 101	$\text{HAsc}^- + \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{Asc}$	4.37 ± 0.02
2. 011	$\text{Cd}^{2+} + \text{HAsc}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{CdHAsc}^+$	0.42 ± 0.04
3. 121	$2 \text{Cd}^{2+} + \text{HAsc}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Cd}_2\text{Asc}^{2+} + \text{H}^+$	-5.52 ± 0.04
4. 444	$4 \text{Cd}^{2+} + 4 \text{HAsc}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Cd}_4\text{Asc}_4 + 4 \text{H}^+$	-17.16 ± 0.08
5. 554	$5 \text{Cd}^{2+} + 4 \text{HAsc}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Cd}_5\text{Asc}_4\text{OH}^+ + 5 \text{H}^+$	-23.39 ± 0.16
We have also found evidence for Cd_3Asc_3 and $\text{Cd}_3\text{Asc}_3\text{OH}^-$ (cf. part III ³):		
6. 333	$3 \text{Cd}^{2+} + 3 \text{HAsc}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Cd}_3\text{Asc}_3 + 3 \text{H}^+$	-13.75 ± 0.12
7. 433	$3 \text{Cd}^{2+} + 3 \text{HAsc}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Cd}_3\text{Asc}_3\text{OH}^- + 4 \text{H}^+$	-21.01 ± 0.02

In acid solutions, where $-4.5 \leq \log h \leq -1.0$, the main species are H_2Asc , HAsc^- , and CdHAsc^+ . In neutral solutions, where $-6.5 \leq \log h \leq -4.5$, the predominating species are HAsc^- , CdHAsc^+ , $\text{Cd}_2\text{Asc}^{2+}$, and Cd_4Asc_4 . At the lowest values of $\log h$ studied, $\text{Cd}_5\text{Asc}_4\text{OH}^+$ seems to be important. Complexes with 3 Cd(II), found in part III,³ are also present, but in small amounts. In this investigation, where the total concentration of Cd(II) was much higher than in part III,³ Cd_4Asc_4 predominates over Cd_3Asc_3 . Since in this study $B/C \geq 5$, the complexes $\text{Cd}_5\text{Asc}_6^{2-}$, $\text{Cd}_5\text{Asc}_6\text{H}^-$, or $\text{Cd}_3\text{Asc}_4\text{H}^-$ (cf. part III³)

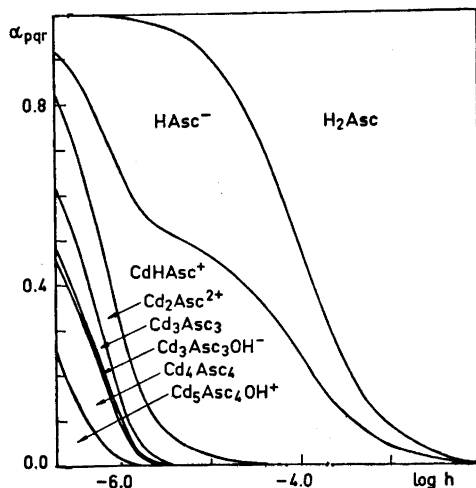


Fig. 7 a. The distribution of ascorbic acid on different species as a function of $\log h$. $B=0.4$ and $C=0.02$ M. HALTAFALL¹⁴ was used for the calculations, taking the constants from Table 5. At a given value of $\log h$, the fraction of ascorbic acid present as $\text{H}_p\text{B}_q\text{C}_r$ is presented by the segment of a vertical line falling within the corresponding area.

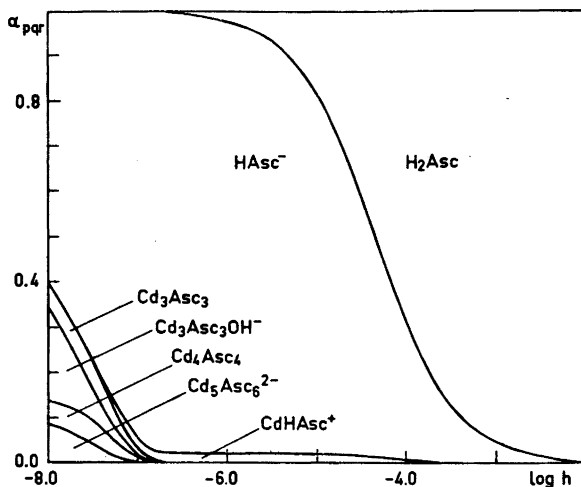


Fig. 7 b. The distribution of ascorbic acid on different species as a function of $\log h$. $B = 0.01$ M and $C = 0.02$ M. HALTAFALL¹⁴ was used for the calculation taking the constants from Table 5 and Ref. 3 (β_{656}).

are certainly not important here. This has been checked by HALTAFALL¹⁴ calculations, using the formation constants determined by us. Distribution diagrams of ascorbic acid on different species is shown in Fig. 7. Veselinović and Sušić¹⁶ have also found that CdHAsc^+ predominates in acid solutions ($\log \beta_{011} = 1.3$).

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