the ligands in 4 have unshared electrons. But how this donation would occur is unclear. The aquation rates of trans-Co-(en)2LCl+ complexes have been explained1 in terms of lone-pair donation by L, but the donation requires a trigonal-bipyramidal structure for the five-coordinate intermediate. The exclusive formation of *trans*-Rh(en)₂Cl₂+ in the anation of complex 5 strongly indicates that the intermediate has a square-planar geometry in this case. If only the hydroxy form of complex 5 anates via a D mechanism, the stability of the intermediate might be due to a strong donation of electron density through the O-Rh σ bond. This would be consistent with both the mechanism and stereochemistry of the products for complexes 4 and 5. Clearly our understanding of this oxygen-bonded inert ligand effect would be increased if the individual mechanisms of the acid and base forms of 5 were elucidated.

The relative insensitivity of the substitution mechanism of cobalt complexes to the nature of the inert ligands may be due to cobalt being harder, less polarizable, than rhodium. If this be true, the substitution mechanism of iridium complexes should strongly depend on the nature of the inert ligands whereas that of chromium complexes should not. Data do indicate that both $Cr(NH_3)_5H_2O^{3+}$ and $Cr(H_2O)_6^{3+}$ substitute via Ia mechanisms;^{6,20} however, very few data are available on iridium complexes.

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Solvent Proton Magnetic Resonance Study of a Nickel(II)-Schiff **Base Complex in Methanol and Acetonitrile**

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The temperature dependence of the solvent proton nmr spectra has been measured for the Schiff base complex (2,12dimethyl-3,7,11,17-tetraazabicyclo[11.3.1]heptadeca-1(17),2,11,13,15-pentaene)nickel(II), referred to as NiCR2+ dissolved in methanol and acetonitrile. Chemical-exchange effects are observed for both the line broadening and shifts. The rate constant (25°) for exchange of one solvent molecule, ΔH^{\pm} (kcal mol⁻¹), and ΔS^{\pm} (cal mol⁻¹ deg⁻¹) in methanol are 1.1 \times 10⁷ sec⁻¹, 9.4, and 5.2. The exchange-controlled region in acetonitrile is not well defined and it can only be said that the rate is $>7 \times 10^5$ sec⁻¹. The kinetic results show that NiCR²⁺ is much more labile than hexasolvated nickel(II) in these solvents. The magnitude, sign, and temperature dependence of the shift of the OH proton in methanol are found to be unusual but can be attributed to a significant pseudocontact shift of opposite sign to the contact shift.

Introduction

This work presents the results of studies of the solvent proton line broadening and chemical shifts in methanol and acetonitrile, caused by the nickel(II) complex of 2,12-dimethyl-3,7,11,17-tetraazabicyclo[11.3.1]heptadeca-1(17),2,11,13,-15-pentaene (I), subsequently referred to as $NiCR^{2+}$.



In a previous study¹ it was found that this complex, in a

number of nonaqueous solvents, underwent a diamagneticparamagnetic equilibrium, represented in general by

$$\frac{\text{NiA}_{4}^{2+} + 2(\text{solvent}) \overrightarrow{\leftarrow} \text{NiA}_{4}(\text{solvent})_{2}^{2+}}{\text{diamagnetic}}$$
(1)

The results of the earlier work are used here to calculate the concentration of the paramagnetic species which causes the line broadening and chemical shift effects.

The results for methanol and acetonitrile reported here are similar to those found previously for N.N-dimethylformamide.² However, the hydroxy proton shifts in methanol show several unusual features which are explained by a pseudocontact contribution to the shift.

Experimental Section

The preparation and characterization of the NiCR²⁺ salts have been described previously.1

The nmr samples were prepared by weight on a standard vacuum

line using published methods.¹ The solvents were doubly vacuum distilled and stored under vacuum over molecular sieves. Internal standards for chemical shift measurements, cyclopentane in methanol and tetramethylsilane in acetonitrile, were vacuum distilled into the nmr sample tube before it was sealed off.

In acetonitrile NiCR(PF₆)₂ was studied at concentrations of 0.630 and 0.525 m. A wider concentration range could not be studied because of solubility limitations at higher values and because much lower values would produce significant broadening only at the low-temperature extreme.

In methanol seven solutions of NiCR(BF4)2 were studied in the concentration range 0.075-0.22 m. The shifts and line broadenings were always found to depend linearly on the NiCR²⁺ concentration at a given temperature. For the more dilute solutions a small amount of 2,4-dinitrobenzenesulfonic acid (Eastman Organic Chemicals) was added in order to collapse the coupling of the OH and CH3 protons. Blank methanol samples were prepared similarly. A change in the acid concentration had no effect on the line broadenings or shifts. Shifts were also measured in samples with no added acid and were found to agree with those measured in the presence of acid. Shifts measured in the presence of NiCR(NO3)2 and NiCR(SbF6)2 in methanol, in the absence of acid, agree with those obtained from NiCR(BF4)2. All of these results were used in the data analysis.

The nmr spectra were obtained on Varian Associates A-56/60 and HA-100 spectrometers. Temperatures were controlled and measured using standard methods described previously.²

Results

The solvent proton nmr line broadening caused by the paramagnetic ion will be discussed in terms of the relaxation time T_{2P} , defined by

$$\frac{1}{T_{2P}P_{M}} = \frac{\pi(\Delta \nu_{obsd} - \Delta \nu_{solv})}{P_{M}}$$
(2)

where $\Delta \nu_{obsd}$ and $\Delta \nu_{solv}$ are the full widths at half-height of the solvent nmr resonance in the presence and absence, respectively, of the paramagnetic species, and P_M is the ratio of the concentration of solvent bound to the paramagnetic ion to the concentration of the free solvent. It has been shown¹ that NiCR²⁺ undergoes a diamagnetic-paramagnetic equilibrium described by eq 1; therefore

$$P_{\rm M} = \frac{nX_{\rm P}[\rm NiCR^{2+}]_{\rm total}}{S_{\rm O} - nX_{\rm P}[\rm NiCR^{2+}]_{\rm total}}$$
(3)

where *n* is the number of solvent molecules in the first coordination sphere of paramagnetic NiCR²⁺ (n = 2 has been assumed), So is the molal solvent concentration, and Xp is the mole fraction of NiCR²⁺ in the paramagnetic form. Values of Xp were calculated from the ΔH° and ΔS° for reaction 1 determined previously.¹

The temperature dependence of $(T_{2P}P_M)^{-1}$ is described by the equation³

$$\frac{1}{T_{2P}P_{M}} = \frac{1}{\tau_{M}} \left\{ \frac{(T_{2M})^{-2} + (\tau_{M}T_{2M})^{-1} + \Delta\omega_{M}^{2}}{(\tau_{M}^{-1} + T_{2M}^{-1})^{2} + \Delta\omega_{M}^{2}} \right\} + \frac{1}{T_{2O}} \quad (4)$$

where the temperature dependence of the lifetime of the solvent molecule in the first coordination sphere of the paramagnetic ion is given by

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{\rm M}} = \frac{kT}{h} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta H^{\ddagger}}{RT} + \frac{\Delta S^{\ddagger}}{R}\right)$$
(5)

The temperature dependence of the transverse relaxation time in the first coordination sphere of the paramagnetic ion (T_{2M}) is assumed to be a simple exponential

$$T_{2M}^{-1} = C_M \exp(E_M/RT) \tag{6}$$

and the outer-sphere relaxation time (T_{20}) is assumed to have the form

$$T_{20}^{-1} = C_0 \exp(E_0/RT)$$
(7)



Figure 1. Temperature dependence of $-\log (T_{2\mathbf{P}}P_M)$ for NiCR- $(\mathbf{PF}_6)_2$ in acetonitrile at 100 MHz (\Box) and 60 MHz (\circ).

The shift between a solvent proton in the bulk solvent minus that in the first coordination sphere of the paramagnetic ion is given by⁴

$$\Delta\omega_{\rm M} = -\left(\frac{A}{\hbar}\right) \frac{\omega_{\rm O}\mu_{\rm eff}\beta(S(S+1))^{1/2}}{3\gamma_{\rm N}kT} \tag{8}$$

and, if μ_{eff} is independent of temperature, then

$$\Delta\omega_{\rm M} = -C_{\omega}/T \tag{9}$$

It has been shown by Swift and Connick³ that the observed shift of the solvent resonance in the presence of the paramagnetic ion minus that in the pure solvent is given by

$$\Delta\omega_{\text{obsd}} = \frac{-P_{\text{M}}\Delta\omega_{\text{M}}}{\left(1 + \left(\tau_{\text{M}}/T_{2\text{M}}\right)\right)^2 + \left(\tau_{\text{M}}\Delta\omega_{\text{M}}\right)^2} \tag{10}$$

NiCR[PF6]2 in Acetonitrile. The temperature dependences of $(T_{2P}P_M)^{-1}$ and $(\Delta\omega_{obsd}/P_M)$ for this system are shown in Figures 1 and 2, respectively. The experimental points have been corrected for the formation of the diamagnetic species using values¹ of -4.16 kcal mol⁻¹ for ΔH° and -10.8 cal mol⁻¹ deg⁻¹ for ΔS° for reaction 1. The complex is 66% paramagnetic at 60° and >90% paramagnetic below 0°.

The temperature dependence of $(T_{2P}P_M)^{-1}$ has been fitted to the equation

$$(T_{2P}P_{M})^{-1} = T_{2M}^{-1} + \tau_{M}\Delta\omega_{M}^{2} + T_{2O}^{-1}$$
(11)

which is obtained from eq 4 if $\tau_{\rm M}^{-1} >> T_{2\rm M}^{-1}$ and $\tau_{\rm M}^{-2} >> \Delta\omega M^2$. The results do not show a region only controlled by $T_{2\rm O}^{-1}$ so that parameters for this term cannot be determined independently. It has been assumed that $E_{\rm O} = E_{\rm M}$,⁵ in which case, after appropriate substitution from eq 5, 6, 7, and 9, it is found that

$$(T_{2P}P_{M})^{-1} = (C_{M} + C_{O}) \exp(E_{M}/RT) + \left(\frac{C_{\omega}}{T}\right)^{2} \frac{h}{kT} \exp\left(\frac{\Delta H^{\ddagger}}{RT} - \frac{\Delta S^{\ddagger}}{R}\right)$$
(12)

The results in Figure 1 at 60 and 100 MHz were fitted by a least-squares method⁶ to eq 12, with C_{ω} held constant at values calculated from the shift results.

Table I. Least-Squares Best-Fit Parameters for $(T_{2P}P_M)^{-1}$ for NiCR(PF₆)₂ in Acetonitrile

	60 MHz			100 MHz		
	A	В	C	D	E	F
$\Delta H^{\ddagger}, \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta S^{\ddagger}, \text{ cal mol}^{-1} \text{ deg}^{-1}$ $(C_{M} + C_{O}), \text{ sec}^{-1}$ $E_{M} = E_{O}, \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ $10^{-6}C_{\omega}, \text{ radians sec}^{-1} \text{ deg}$	11.0 14.8 2.87 2.40 3.56 ^b	$ \begin{array}{r} 6.96 \\ -3.38 \\ 15.2 \\ 1.33^{a} \\ 3.56 \\ \end{array} $	9.07 6.06 5.22 2.03 3.56 ^b	9.09 5.97 6.26 2.44 5.94 ^b	6.93 3.80 36.9 1.33 ^a 5.94 ^b	11.0 14.6 2.48 3.00 ^a 5.94 ^b

^a The value of $E_{\rm M}$ was obtained as explained in the text and held constant. ^b Values determined from the 60- and 100-MHz chemical shift measurements and held constant.



Figure 2. Temperature dependence of $(\Delta \omega_{\rm obsd}/P_{\rm M})$ for NiCR- $({\rm PF}_6)_2$ in acetonitrile at 100 MHz (Δ) and 60 MHz (\circ).

The parameters resulting from the least-squares analysis are summarized in Table I. In fits A and D the ΔH^* and ΔS^* values from the 60- and 100-MHz data are in significant disagreement. If $E_M = E_0$ is fixed at 1.33 kcal mol⁻¹ for both frequencies, then self-consistent ΔH^* and ΔS^* values are obtained as seen from fits B and E in Table I. On the other hand $E_M = E_0$ might be lower at 60 MHz than at 100 MHz judging from the previous study in DMF.² If this is the case, a whole range of self-consistent ΔH^* and ΔS^* values can be obtained, as seen by comparing fits A-F and C-D in Table I. Clearly the system is underdetermined; the data in Table I predict an exchange rate from 7.5 × 10⁵ to 9.3 × 10⁶ sec⁻¹ at 25°.

The dashed lines of lesser slope in Figure 1 represent the $(T_{2M}^{-1} + T_{2O}^{-1})$ contribution calculated from fits B and E. The values show the same type of variation with frequency as was observed for NiCR²⁺ in DMF and water.² This variation is attributed to the magnetic field dependence of the electron spin relaxation time.

Substantial upfield shifts of the order of 100 Hz are observed in this system. The temperature dependence of the shifts shown in Figure 2 is consistent with eq 9, and the C_{ω} values show the expected ratio of 10:6 for the 100- and 60-MHz values. If μ_{eff} is taken as 3.00 BM,¹ then eq 8 can be used to calculate a hyperfine coupling constant (A/\hbar) of -2.66×10^6 radians sec⁻¹.

NiCR²⁺ in Methanol. The temperature dependence of $(T_{2P}P_M)^{-1}$ for the CH₃ and OH protons of methanol are shown in Figures 3 and 4, respectively, and the temperature dependence of the shifts are shown in Figures 5 and 6, respectively. All of the data have been corrected for the formation of the diamagnetic species using values of $\Delta H^{\circ} = -4.26$ kcal mol⁻¹ and $\Delta S^{\circ} = -11.5$ cal mol⁻¹ deg⁻¹ for reaction 1.1



Figure 3. Temperature dependence of $-\log (T_2 p P_M)$ for the CH₃ protons of methanol solutions of NiCR²⁺ at 100 MHz (\Box) and 60 MHz (\odot).



Figure 4. Temperature dependence of $-\log (T_{2P}P_M)$ for the OH proton of methanol solutions of NiCR²⁺ at 100 MHz (\Box) and 60 MHz (\odot).

The complex is $\sim 60\%$ in the paramagnetic form at 60° and >90% below 0°.

The $(T_{2P}P_M)^{-1}$ results for this system appear to be unusual in that the OH and CH₃ proton temperature variation seems much different. The central region with a positive slope in Figure 3 is barely observable for the OH proton data in Figure 4. This observation is understandable however when it is recognized that this region is primarily controlled by $\tau M \Delta \omega M^2$ and when the shifts in Figures 5 and 6 are considered. It should be noted that for $10^3/T < 4.4$ the shifts for the OH proton are 2–3 times smaller than those for the CH₃ protons. This explains why the $\tau M \Delta \omega M^2$ region is smaller for the OH proton, but it remains to be explained why the OH proton shifts are so much smaller than and of opposite sign to the shifts of the CH₃ protons.

Table II. Least-Squares Best-Fit Parameters for NiCR²⁺ in Methanol

Data	Proton	Freq, MHz	ΔH^{\ddagger} , kcal mol ⁻¹	ΔS^{\ddagger} , cal mol ⁻¹ deg ⁻¹	$C_{\rm M}$, sec ⁻¹	E _M , kcal mol ⁻¹	$10^{-6} C_{\omega}$, radians sec ⁻¹ deg
$(T_{2P}P_{M})$	-1 CH ₃	60 { 100	9.21 9.52 9.28 ^c	4.65 5.12 4.61	59.5 58.9 130.9	$\frac{1.15^{a}}{1.15^{a}}$ 1.15^{a} 1.15^{a}	3.81 3.96 ^b 6.65
$\Delta\omega_{ m obsd}/$	P _M CH ₃	60 100	9.70 9.28 ^c	6.68 4.53	58.9 ^d 130.9 ^d	1.15^{a} 1.15^{a}	3.96 6.57
$(T_{2P}P_{M})^{T}$	-1 OH {	60 100	9.28 ^c 9.28 ^c	4.66 4.57	284.3 639.8	1.17 1.18	e e
$\Delta \omega_{f obsd}/$	P _M OH {	60 100	9.28 ^c 9.28	5.36 5.52	284.3^{d} 639.8^{d}	1.17^{d} 1.18^{d}	e e

^a Value obtained from $(T_{2P}P_{M})^{-1}$ OH data with ΔH^{\ddagger} fixed at 9.52 kcal mol⁻¹ and held constant. ^b Value obtained from $\Delta \omega_{obsd}/P_{M}$ data and held constant. ^c Value obtained from 100-MHz $\Delta \omega_{obsd}/P_{M}$ data and held constant. ^d Value obtained from appropriate $(T_{2P}P_{M})^{-1}$ data and held constant. ^e Temperature dependence given by eq 13.



Figure 5. Temperature dependence of $(\Delta \omega_{obsd}/P_M)$ for the CH₃ protons of methanol solutions of NiCR²⁺ at 100 MHz (\Box) and 60 MHz (\Box).



Figure 6. Temperature dependence of $(\Delta \omega_{obsd}/P_M)$ for the OH proton of methanol solutions of NiCR²⁺ at 100 MHz (\Box) and 60 MHz (\Box).

It is also found that the OH proton shifts decrease more rapidly with temperature than predicted by eq 9 and are consistent with

$$(\Delta\omega_{\rm M})_{\rm OH} = \frac{C_1}{T} + \frac{C_2}{T^2}$$
(13)

An explanation for these unusual aspects of the OH proton shifts is given in a separate section of this paper.

The temperature dependence of $(T_{2P}P_M)_{CH_3}^{-1}$ has been fitted to eq 4. Since the outer-sphere contribution $(T_{2O})_{CH_3}^{-1}$ is not actually observed, it has been estimated from the T_1 results of Luz and Meiboom^{7a} on Ni(CH₃OH)₆²⁺, after correction for the differing *n* values.⁸ It is estimated that $(T_{2M})_{CH_3}^{-1}/(T_{2O})_{CH_3}^{-1} \approx 3.1$, so that $CO = C_M/3.1$ if $EO = E_M$. Then, within the limitations of these assumptions $(T_{2O})_{CH_3}^{-1}$ can be defined in terms of the parameters for $(T_{2M})_{CH_3}^{-1}$. The value of $(E_M)_{CH_3}$ was fixed at 1.15 kcal mol⁻¹, the value given by the OH proton data. The latter give a much more precise value of E_M because of the much longer temperature region over which $(T_{2M})^{-1}$ controls $(T_{2P}P_M)^{-1}$ for the OH proton. The OH proton data are also more accurate in this region because of the larger experimental line widths.

The results of various fits of the CH₃ proton data are summarized in Table II. The agreement of ΔH^{\dagger} , ΔS^{\dagger} , and C_{ω} from various fits is satisfactory and provides some justification for the assumptions made.

In order to fit the OH proton data it was necessary to obtain values for C_1 and C_2 in eq 13. These were determined from the linear plot of $T(\Delta \omega_{obsd}/P_M)$ vs. T^{-1} for $10^3/T < 4.2$. At 100 MHz the constants are $C_1 = -2.0 \times 10^6$ radians sec⁻¹ deg and $C_2 = 1.25 \times 10^9$ radians sec⁻¹ deg². The values at 60 MHz were taken to be 60/100 of the above values and were found to be consistent with the observed shifts as can be seen from the calculated curve in Figure 6.

In order to analyze the $(T_{2P}P_M)OH^{-1}$ data the outer-sphere contribution was estimated from previous work⁷ which indicates that $(T_{2O})OH^{-1}/(T_{2O})CH_3^{-1} \approx 1.6$, and $(T_{2O})CH_3^{-1}$ was estimated as described previously. It should be noted in Figure 4 that the τ_M -controlled region appears only at the lowtemperature extreme where the somewhat uncertain outersphere effects are also likely to be significant. Therefore it did not seem reasonable to attempt to determine independent ΔH^{\ddagger} and ΔS^{\ddagger} values from the OH proton T_{2P} data. Therefore ΔH^{\ddagger} was fixed at values indicated by the CH₃ proton results, and best fit values of ΔS^{\ddagger} , C_M , and $E_M = E_O$ were obtained. The results of these fits are given in Table II. The agreement of the ΔS^{\ddagger} values with those obtained from the CH₃ proton data indicates that the OH and CH₃ protons exchange at the same rate.

The shift results for the CH₃ protons (Figure 5) have been fitted to eq 10, with $(\Delta\omega_M)_{CH_3}$ taken to have the temperature dependence given by eq 9. The values of C_M and E_M were held constant in these fits and ΔH^* , ΔS^* , and C_{ω} were allowed to vary. The resulting best fit parameters, summarized in Table II, are in good agreement with those obtained from the $(T_{2P}P_M)_{CH_3}^{-1}$ data. The value of $C_{\omega} = 3.96 \times 10^6$ radians sec⁻¹ deg at 60 MHz, combined with a μ_{eff} of 3.00 BM,¹ can be used to calculate a hyperfine coupling constant (A/\hbar) of 2.96 $\times 10^6$ radians sec⁻¹ for the CH₃ protons.

The OH proton shifts were fitted to eq 9; however $(\Delta \omega_M)_{OH}$ was taken to have the temperature dependence given by eq 13, and C_1 and C_2 were held fixed at the values given above for the 100-MHz data. In all cases EM and CM were held fixed at values obtained from the $(T_{2P}P_M)_{OH^{-1}}$ results. For the more accurate 100-MHz data both ΔH^{\ddagger} and ΔS^{\ddagger} were allowed to vary and the best fit values, given in Table II, are found to be in good agreement with those from other data sets. In the case of the 60-MHz chemical shifts it was necessary to restrain ΔH^{\ddagger} , and only ΔS^{\ddagger} was allowed to vary to obtain the calculated curve in Figure 6. Although a number of data points lie $\sim 10\%$ below the calculated curve in the region $3.9 < 10^3/T < 4.55$, the quality of the fit is considered to be satisfactory since the 60-MHz OH proton chemical shifts observed were generally less than 10 Hz. From the average of the several independent determinations of ΔH^{\ddagger} and ΔS^{\ddagger} indicated in Table II, it is concluded that ΔH^{\ddagger} and ΔS^{\ddagger} are 9.4 kcal mol⁻¹ and 5.2 cal mol^{-1} deg⁻¹, respectively, for methanol exchange from NiCR²⁺. Error limits are difficult to establish because of the assumptions about the outer-sphere contributions.

Hydroxy Proton Shift. In previous work on nickel(II) in methanol it has been found that the shifts of the solvent OH and CH₃ protons are of the same sign and of similar magnitude and show the normal temperature dependence described by eq 9. The OH proton shifts for the NiCR²⁺–CH₃OH system are quite unusual therefore in that (a) they are of opposite sign to those of the CH₃ protons, (b) they are much smaller in magnitude than those of the CH₃ protons, and (c) they show a more complicated temperature dependence while the CH₃ protons appear normal in this and all other respects.

The OH proton results may be explained if it is assumed that there is a large pseudocontact contribution to the chemical shift. It has been shown by Kurland and McGarvey⁹ that the pseudocontact contribution would have the temperature dependence indicated by eq 13, so that the temperature dependence of the total shift will be given by

$$(\Delta\omega_{\rm M})_{\rm OH} = \left(\frac{C_{\omega}}{T}\right)_{\rm contact} + \left(\frac{C_1'}{T} + \frac{C_2}{T^2}\right)_{\rm pseudocontact}$$
(14)

or

$$(\Delta\omega_{\rm M})_{\rm OH} = -\left(\frac{C_{\omega} + C_1'}{T}\right) + \frac{C_2}{T^2} = -\frac{C_1}{T} + \frac{C_2}{T^2}$$
(15)

Normally $|C_1/T| >> |C_2/T^2|$ and the latter is not observed. The temperature dependence of $\Delta \omega_M$ is not able to distinguish contact and pseudocontact contributions in such cases. However, for NiCR²⁺ in methanol it appears that C_{ω} and C_1 ' are of similar magnitude and opposite sign. As a result the OH proton shifts are much smaller than those for the CH₃ protons and the C_2/T^2 term becomes significant. In addition, since the observed OH proton shifts are of opposite sign to those for the CH₃ protons, it appears that C_1 ' is slightly larger in magnitude than C_{ω} .

It was of interest to determine if this explanation was qualitatively reasonable. Therefore the expression for the pseudocontact shift of a nonaxially symmetric system was developed from the general expression for the pseudocontact shift given as eq 17 by Kurland and McGarvey.⁹ It was found that the pseudocontact shift is given by

$$\frac{\Delta\omega_{\rm M}}{\omega_{\rm O}} = \frac{2\beta^2}{9kR^3T} \left\{ (3\cos^2\Omega - 1) \left[\left(g_z^2 - \frac{g_x^2 + g_y^2}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{6kT} \left(2Dg_z^2 + \frac{g_x^2(D - 3E) + g_y^2(D - E)}{2} \right) \right] - (\sin^2\Omega \times \cos 2\Psi) \left[\frac{g_y - g_x}{2} + \frac{1}{12kT} (g_y(D + 3E) - g_x(D - 3E)) \right] \right\} (16)$$

Table III. Parameters and Results of $T_{\rm 2O}$ and $T_{\rm 2M}$ Calculations for NiCR^2+ in Methanol and Acetonitrile

	Methanol		Acetoni-
	CH3	OH	trile
$10^{2}(T_{20})^{-1}$, sec ⁻¹ a $\begin{cases} 60 \text{ MHz} \\ 100 \text{ MHz} \end{cases}$	1.34 2.97 6.75	2.20 5.05	0.43 0.99 9.4
$10^{-2}(T_{2M})_{obsd}^{-1}$, sec ⁻¹ $\begin{cases} 60 \text{ MHz} \\ 100 \text{ MHz} \end{cases}$	4.11 9.13	20.6 47.3	1.00 2.48
$10^{-2}(T_{2M})_{calcd}^{-1}$, sec ⁻¹ b $\begin{cases} 60 \text{ MHz} \\ 100 \text{ MHz} \end{cases}$	4.12 9.13	20.6 44.8	1.01 2.47
$10^{-2}(T_{2M})_{sc}^{-1}$, sec ⁻¹ c $\begin{cases} 00 \text{ MHz} \\ 100 \text{ MHz} \end{cases}$	1.08	0.55 1.51	0.34
$10^{11}T_{1e}$, sec $10^{13}T_{2e}$, sec $10^{13}T_{2e}$, sec	0.66 1.0		0.71 0.46 25.1
r_i, A	3.90	2.95	5.3

^a Values estimated as described in the text. ^b Calculated sum of the scalar and dipolar interaction mechanisms. ^c Calculated scalar contribution using experimental coupling constants.

where g_x , g_y , and g_z are the components of the g tensor, D is the zero field splitting arising from the tetragonal distortion, E is the additional zero-field parameter characterizing the rhombic distortion, R is the magnitude of the metal ion to proton radius vector, Ω is the angle between the symmetry axis and the radius vector, and Ψ is the angle between the x axis and the projection of the unit vector which joins the metal ion and ligand proton onto the xy plane.

The zero-field splitting parameters are taken to be related to the g tensor components by¹⁰

$$D = \frac{\lambda}{2} \left(g_z - \frac{g_x + g_y}{2} \right)$$

$$E = \frac{\lambda}{4} (g_x - g_y)$$
(17)

where λ is the spin-orbit coupling constant.

The structure of NiCR²⁺ indicates that the major symmetry axis or z axis should pass through the pyridine nitrogen, nickel(II), and amine nitrogen atoms. The y axis is taken to be that passing through the azomethine nitrogens and nickel(II) and the x axis passes through the solvent oxygen atoms. In order to maximize the pseudocontact shift of appropriate sign the angle Ω should be ~90°. Therefore, the solvent molecule is assumed to be oriented so that the OH proton lies over one of the azomethine nitrogens. With this model Ψ is ~35°, and calculations with estimated \mathbf{g} components indicate that the sin² $\Omega \cos(2\Psi)$ term in eq 16 will contribute little to the final result. The value of (A/\hbar) OH is assumed to be 19% larger than $(A/\hbar)_{CH_3^{11}}$ as observed for nickel(II) in methanol,⁶ and R is taken to be 2.95 Å from models. It is estimated that $\lambda \approx$ -300 cm⁻¹, somewhat less negative than the free-ion value of -322 cm⁻¹. It is then found that one set of parameters which give the experimental C_1 and C_2 values is $g_x = 2.00$, $g_y = 2.63$, $g_z = 2.68, D = -54.9 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, and $E = 47.1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. The magnitudes of the g values are reasonable and g_z and g_y are similar, as expected, since nitrogen atoms are on both of these axes.

Clearly no great significance should be attached to the above-estimated values. However, they do show that the explanation of the OH proton chemical shifts in terms of the pseudocontact contribution is a reasonable one.

It may also be noted that the apparent absence of a significant pseudocontact shift for the CH₃ protons is consistent with this model. Of course the increased interaction distance $(R \approx 3.9 \text{ Å})$ decreases the pseudocontact contribution by about a factor of 2, but the angle Ω for the CH₃ protons will be close to 55°. At the latter value $(3 \cos^2 \Omega - 1) \approx 0$ and the pseudocontact contribution would disappear.

Table IV. Summary of Results for Related Systems

Complex	$k(25^{\circ}), \sec^{-1}$	ΔH^{\ddagger} , kcal mol ⁻¹	ΔS^{\ddagger} , cal mol ⁻¹ deg ⁻¹	$10^{-6} A/\hbar$, radians sec ⁻¹
$Ni(CH_2OH)_{\epsilon}^{2+a}$	1 × 10 ³	15.8	8.0	4.2 (OH), 3.6 (CH ₃)
NiCR(CH ₂ OH) ^{2+ b}	1.1×10^{7}	9.4	5.2	$-1.0 (OH),^{c} 3.0 (CH_{3})$
Ni(CH _a CN) ₄ ^{2+ d}	$2.7 imes 10^3$	15.0	8.5	-3.3
NiCR(CH ₂ CN), ^{2+ b}	$>7 \times 10^{5}$			-2.66
$Ni(DMF)_{e}^{2+e^{2}}$	3.8×10^3	15.0	8	4.28 (CH)
NiCR(DMF), ^{2+ f}	1.9×10^{6}	9.5	2.2	2.3
NITAAB(DMF), 2+ g	7.3×10^{4}	11.5	2.5	2.3
NiTRI(DMF), 2+ g	5.9×10^{2}	15.6	6.5	2.9
$Ni(OH_{2})$, 2+ h^{3}	3.4×10^{4}	13.9	8.7	1.3^{i}
$NiCR(OH_2)_2^{2+f}$	4.5×10^{4}	6.8	-14	-1.1

^a Reference 6. ^b This work. ^c Calculated from observed chemical shift at 25°. ^d Reference 12. ^e N. A. Matwiyoff, *Inorg. Chem.*, 5, 788 (1966). ^f Reference 2. ^g L. L. Rusnak, *et al.*, *Inorg. Chem.*, 11, 199 (1972). ^h Reference 13. ⁱ Z. Luz and R. G. Shulman, *J. Chem. Phys.*, 43, 3750 (1965).

Magnetic Field Dependence of T_{2M} and T_{2O} . It was observed previously² for NiCR²⁺ in DMF and water that T_{2M} and T_{2O} decreased as the magnetic field strength increased. Similar observations have since been made for nickel(II) in acetonitrile¹² and for nickel(II) in water,¹³ and the systems reported here also show this effect.

A more detailed discussion of this field dependence has been given in our earlier work² where it is attributed to the variation of the longitudinal (T_{1e}) and transverse (T_{2e}) electron spin relaxation times. These times are contributing correlation times for the electron-nuclear dipole-dipole and scalar interactions. Following McLachlan,¹⁴ the average electron spin relaxation times for an electron spin system with S = 1 are

$$\langle T_{1e} \rangle^{-1} = C_{e} \left\{ \frac{\tau_{c}}{1 + \omega_{s}^{2} \tau_{c}^{2}} + \frac{4\tau_{c}}{1 + 4\omega_{s}^{2} \tau_{c}^{2}} \right\}$$

$$\langle T_{2e} \rangle^{-1} = \frac{C_{e}}{2} \left\{ 3\tau_{c} + \frac{5\tau_{c}}{1 + \omega_{s}^{2} \tau_{c}^{2}} + \frac{2\tau_{c}}{1 + 4\omega_{s}^{2} \tau_{c}^{2}} \right\}$$

$$(18)$$

where C_e is a field-independent constant, τ_c is an unspecified correlation time, and it is assumed that $\tau_c < T_{1e}$.¹⁵

The experimental values of T_{2M}^{-1} and T_{2O}^{-1} are consistent with a dominant dipole-dipole interaction mechanism. The results at the two frequencies 60 and 100 MHz have been treated iteratively, using well-known equations (see ref 2, for example) to calculate τ_c , Ce, the inner-sphere interaction distance (r_i) , and outer sphere interaction distance (d_0) .¹⁶ The r_i values are in reasonable agreement with estimates which can be made from structural models.

The τ_c values agree with rotational tumbling times of 4.1 \times 10⁻¹¹ and 6.2 \times 10⁻¹¹ sec determined¹⁷ from the epr spectrum of the vanadyl ion in methanol and acetonitrile, respectively. This result is consistent with an electron spin relaxation mechanism in which the modulation of the zero-field splitting of the complex is governed by tumbling of the complex in solution. However, unpublished results for vanadyl and low-spin cobalt(II) complexes indicate that the activation energy for tumbling should be 2.7-3.0 kcal mol⁻¹. But if this value is used along with other parameters in Table III, then effective E_M values of 2.6 and 2.7 kcal mol⁻¹, at 60 and 100 MHz, respectively, are obtained. This analysis would appear to rule out fits B and E in Table I. However, a problem arises if this analysis is extended to methanol. Here tumbling is expected to have an activation energy of 3-3.5 kcal mol⁻¹, yet the measured $E_{\rm M}$ is about 1.15 kcal mol⁻¹. This value is well defined experimentally by the hydroxy proton line broadening. The same difficulty arose in our earlier study in DMF,² where $E_{\rm M}$ is expected to be about 2.8 kcal mol⁻¹, compared to the observed value of 1-1.5 kcal mol⁻¹.

It appears anomalous that a rotational correlation time in eq 18 accounts for the frequency dependence of T_{2M} but does not account for the activation energy which is always lower than expected. Investigations of the frequency dependence of T_1 are under way to clarify this problem. It seems that the difficulty lies in the limitations of eq 1815 and that the agreement with rotational correlation times is a coincidence.

Conclusion

The kinetic parameters for solvent exchange and the scalar coupling constants for several related nickel(II) systems are summarized in Table IV. A comparison of the scalar coupling constants reveals that in DMF and acetonitrile and for the CH3 protons in methanol the values are of the same sign and similar magnitude, but slightly smaller, for the Schiff base complexes than for the hexasolvated nickel(II) ion. The apparent scalar coupling with the OH proton for NiCR²⁺ in methanol is then clearly anomalous in that it is of opposite sign to that for $Ni(CH_3OH)_{6^{2+}}$. As already discussed, this anomaly can be explained by a pseudocontact contribution to the OH shift for $NiCR^{2+}$ in methanol. It should be noted further that the NiCR²⁺-OH₂ system is anomalous in the same sense. In our earlier study² no significance was attributed to this negative coupling constant, but in the light of the structural similarity of the methanol OH proton and water protons it now seems likely that a pseudocontact effect was also observed for NiCR²⁺ in H₂O. Unfortunately the latter system could not be studied over a wide enough temperature range to reveal any T^{-2} dependence of the shift and a detailed analysis is not possible.

In the previous study² it was found that DMF exchange is much faster from NiCR²⁺ than from Ni²⁺. The present results for methanol and acetonitrile also show the much greater lability of NiCR²⁺ and indicate that the effect is almost entirely due to a more favorable ΔH^{\ddagger} for NiCR²⁺. However, it is not clear whether the faster exchange from NiCR²⁺ is due to the effect of the nonreacting ligand CR or whether exchange is coupled to the diamagnetic-paramagnetic equilibrium.¹⁸ This possibility was discussed more fully in our previous work.² It is interesting to note that there is a reasonable linear free energy relationship between the exchange rates and the diamagnetic-paramagnetic equilibrium constant. Such a correlation is not surprising since both processes would involve removal of a solvent molecule from the coordination sphere of nickel(II) if the exchange mechanism is dissociative.

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Ligand-Exchange Reactions and Isomerization of an Isoquinoline–Platinum(II) Complex

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The ¹H nmr spectrum of a freshly prepared CDCl₃ solution of *trans*-[PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(iquin)], 1, shows no ³J_{Pt-NCH} owing to fast exchange with a small amount of adventitious free isoquinoline (iquin). However, after storage at room temperature in the dark for several days, the spectrum of the solution clearly shows the ³J_{Pt-NCH}. During the elapsed time, the uncomplexed isoquinoline is slowly consumed by reaction with 1 to form *trans*-[PtCl₂(iquin)₂]. Irradiation of a CHCl₃ solution of 1 with ultraviolet light results in the isomerization of 1 to its cis isomer, probably *via* the bridged dimer [PtCl₂(iquin)₂].

Introduction

We have shown earlier¹ that the ¹H nmr spectrum of a freshly prepared CDCl₃ solution of *trans*-[PtCl₂(C_2H_4)(iquin)], 1, does not exhibit ³J_{Pt-NCH}. However, this coupling appears



when the solution is allowed to stand at room temperature for several days. We originally thought this behavior to be a consequence of a slow conformational conversion of the isoquinoline (iquin) moiety to a rigid rotamer. It was assumed that, owing to steric shielding of the empty p orbital on Pt, such a rotamer would be resistant to solvolysis and hence its ¹H nmr spectrum would exhibit the observed ${}^{3}J_{Pt-NCH}$. Subsequently this interpretation was shown to be incorrect.² Instead it was suggested that the complex was exchanging with free ligand and the latter gradually disappeared with time. However, it was claimed that the exchange was accompanied by a slow isomerization of the trans complex 1 to its cis isomer. The cis isomer, 2, was assumed to be responsible for the inhibition of isoquinoline exchange and hence the gradual appearance of coupling. The increase in the concentration of 2 was monitored by the appearance of a new ethylene proton signal.

We confirm that the initial presence, followed by the gradual disappearance of free isoquinoline, rather than conformational change, accounts for the coupling phenomena in the ¹H nmr spectra. However, we find that the reported² trans \rightarrow cis rearrangement in solution probably is an adventitious photochemical reaction and the presence of the cis isomer is irrelevant to the pertinent coupling behavior. We also clarify the source and the eventual fate of the free ligand.

Results and Discussion

The 90-MHz ¹H nmr spectrum of 1 (Figure 1a) taken promptly in CDCl₃ solution at room temperature shows no coupling of ¹⁹⁵Pt with either of the α protons of isoquinoline. Although not shown in Figure 1, on cooling to about 0°, coupling with H_{α} (J = 41 Hz) becomes clearly apparent and on further cooling ($\sim -40^{\circ}$) coupling with the second α proton, $H_{\alpha'}$, also becomes apparent (J = 30 Hz). On warming to room temperature and again determining the ¹H nmr spectrum, the original spectrum is reproduced. In order for spin-spin coupling to be observed,³ the average lifetime of the coordinated complex, PtL, must be larger than 1/J and apparently the rate of exchange of L at the intermediate temperature is accidentally such that only coupling with the proton having the higher coupling constant is readily discernible.

Although no ${}^{3}J_{\text{PT-NCH}}$ is present in the spectrum of the fresh solution, after about 3 or more days of standing at room temperature in CDCl₃ solution, the spectrum of the solution of 1 clearly shows coupling of both H_{\alpha} and H_{\alpha'} at room temperature. A typical spectrum of an aged solution is shown in Figure 1b. The coupling constants and chemical shifts of H_{\alpha} and H_{\alpha'} are virtually the same as those observed in the nmr spectrum of the fresh solution of -40°.

When the freshly prepared CDCl₃ solution is extracted with either HBF₄ or passed over a cation-exchange resin,⁴ free ligand is removed and the solution now exhibits ${}^{3}J_{PI-NCH}$. The recovery of pure isoquinoline from the extract has been demonstrated.⁴ Addition of a small quantity of isoquinoline to the treated solution results in the loss of coupling. The generality of this behavior and its quantitative aspects are under study.

It is clear from the above facts that free ligand is responsible for fast exchange and the absence of coupling in the freshly prepared solution of 1. However, the fate of the ligand in aged solutions remains to be demonstrated. We believe that the free ligand gradually disappears by irreversible formation of *trans*-[PtCl₂(iquin)₂], **3**. The presence of **3** is difficult to show because it is present in such small amounts. However, if a small quantity of additional isoquinoline is added to the aged CHCl₃ solution of **1**, **3** is precipitated. The properties of this precipitate correspond to those of **3** separately prepared in good purity and yield by adding stoichiometric quantities of isoquinoline to a chloroform solution of **1**. We find no evidence for the formation of the cis isomer **2** in the absence of ultraviolet light.

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