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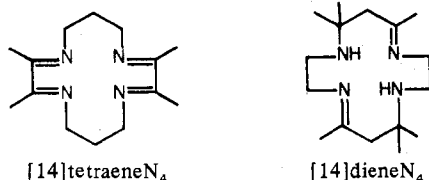
Catalysis of "Franck-Condon Forbidden" Electron-Transfer Reactions by Macrocyclic Cobalt(II) Complexes¹

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In an earlier study² we observed that the Cr^{2+} reduction of $\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ was autocatalytic. We were able to demonstrate in this system that the significance of the catalytic pathway increased with $[\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}]$ and we suspected the reactive intermediate to be a cobalt(I) complex. The small rates for outer-sphere Cr^{2+} reductions of cobalt(III) complexes may be attributed to



relatively large inner-sphere reorganizational barriers.² The observation of a catalytic pathway suggests the existence of a reaction channel in which the apparent Franck-Condon constraints may be somewhat relaxed. This possibility and the novel possibility of finding a convenient means for generating and studying reactive cobalt(I) species in aqueous solution have led us to investigate these effects further. For these investigations we have selected the $\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}$ -catalyzed Cr^{2+} reduction of $\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ because (1) the net reaction is not autocatalytic and thus relatively convenient to investigate quantitatively and (2) the $\text{Cr}^{2+}-\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ reaction has a larger apparent reorganizational barrier² than the one we originally discovered, so it could be more susceptible to catalytic effects. This report of our studies has been prompted by the recent elucidation of the chemistry of $\text{Co}^{\text{I}}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)$ and $\text{Co}^{\text{I}}([\text{14}] \text{dieneN}_4)$ using pulse radiolytic techniques.⁴

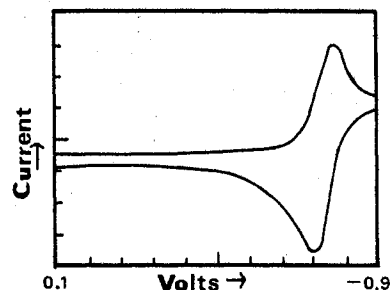


Figure 1. Cyclic voltammogram for the $([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)\text{Co}^{\text{II}}-([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)\text{Co}^{\text{I}}$ couple in water; sweep time 1 division/s; $1 \mu\text{A}/\text{division}$; voltage range $+0.1$ to -0.9 V vs. SCE.

Experimental Section

The complexes $[\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2](\text{ClO}_4)_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and $[\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{ClO}_4)_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ were prepared as described elsewhere.

Preparation of Cr^{2+} solutions, sample-handling techniques, most kinetic procedures, and electrochemical techniques were similar to those described previously.^{2,5-7} $\text{Cd}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ was used to calibrate the potential output of the Chemtrix SSP-2; for the present study we equipped the instrument with an external voltmeter to improve the precision of voltage measurements.

Solutions of Cr^{2+} , $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)$, and Cr^{3+} were mixed in a 1-cm cell prior to the addition of a solution of $\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$. The ionic strength was 0.82 M in HClO_4 and NaClO_4 . The reaction was followed at the 330 nm ($\epsilon = 2.4 \times 10^3$) charge-transfer absorption maximum^{6a,7} of the $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)$ product.

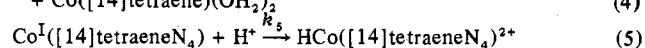
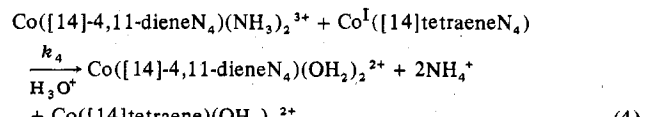
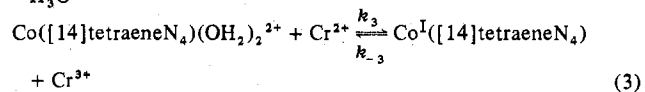
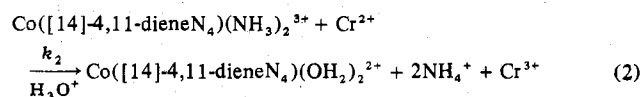
Similar procedures were used in studies with B_{12} complexes, except that aquocobalamin (Sigma Chemical, St. Louis, Mo.) was mixed directly with Cr^{2+} to obtain vitamin B_{12r} in solution.

Results and Discussion

Kinetic data are collected in Table I for the reaction of $\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ with mixtures of Cr^{2+} and $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)$. The experimental rate law may be expressed as in (1) with $k' = 0.12 \pm 0.04 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. The

$$\frac{d[\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}]}{dt} = k' [\text{Cr}^{2+}] [\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)] \quad (1)$$

reaction system may be plausibly described by reactions 2-5.



This reaction scheme, assuming a stationary state in $\text{Co}^{\text{I}}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)$, leads to the rate expression in eq 6, provided

$$\frac{d[\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}]}{dt} = \frac{k_3 k_4 [\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}] [\text{Cr}^{2+}] \times [\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}]}{k_{-3} [\text{Cr}^{3+}] + k_4 [\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}] + k_5 [\text{H}^+]} \quad (6)$$

$k_2 [\text{Cr}^{2+}] [\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}] \ll \text{rate as given}$

Table I. Kinetic Data for the $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}] \text{tetraeneN}_4)$ -Catalyzed Cr^{2+} Reduction of $\text{Co}([\text{14}] \text{dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ ^a

10^{-5} [Co([14]-dieneN ₄)(NH ₃) ₂ ³⁺], M	10^{-5} [Co ^{II} ([14]-tetraeneN ₄)], M	10^{-2} [Cr ²⁺], M	10^{-3} [Cr ³⁺], M	[H ⁺], M	Apparent zero-order rate $\times 10^{-6}$, M s ⁻¹	$10^{-1}k'$, M ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
4.12		7.0	1.09	10 ⁻¹	1.3	1.1
8.25					1.4	1.2
1.24					1.3	1.1
1.64					1.4	1.2
8.25	4.12	2.2			0.13	1.4
	8.25				0.22	1.2
	12.4				0.33	1.1
	16.5				0.41	1.1
	41.2				1.2	1.3
	16.5	0.91			0.18	1.2
		2.18			0.41	1.1
		3.48			0.80	1.4
		4.36			0.65	0.90
		7.00			1.4	1.2
			10.9		1.5	1.3
			22.0		1.4	1.2
			1.09	0.5	1.1	0.95
				10 ⁻²	1.6	1.4
				10 ⁻³	1.6	1.3

^a Ionic strength 0.82 M (HClO₄, NaClO₄); $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$. No entry is made for reagent concentrations if the concentration is the same as in the preceding entry for that reagent.

by (6). Our previous study² has shown $k_2 = 4.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ so $k_2 \ll k'$ and the condition is easily met. The observed rate law, (1), requires that $k_4[\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{-}4,11\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}] > \{k_{-3}[\text{Cr}^{3+}] + k_5[\text{H}^+]\}$. The reversible electrochemical reduction of $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}$ occurs with $E_{1/2} = -0.72 \text{ V}$ vs. SCE in 0.1 M NaClO₄ (Figure 1), so $E^\circ \approx -0.5 \text{ V}$ for the $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}]\text{tetraene})\text{-Co}^{\text{I}}([\text{14}]\text{tetraene})$ couple; from this we may estimate $K_3 \approx 3 \times 10^{-2}$ and $k_{-3} \approx 4 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. Thus under our conditions $k_{-3}[\text{Cr}^{3+}] \leq 0.08 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and does not appear to make a significant contribution.

The apparent zero-order dependence of the rate on the concentration of cobalt(III) substrate over the range of conditions reported in Table I indicates that at the extremes less than 30% of the cobalt(I) intermediate can be consumed by reaction 5 when $[\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{-}4,11\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}] = 1.24 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ and $[\text{H}^+] = 0.10 \text{ M}$; i.e., $k_4 \geq 2.4 \times 10^4 k_5$. Tait et al.⁴ have reported that $k_5 = 1.6 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at ionic strengths between 0.06 and 0.6 M. To be consistent with this report, the reactions proposed would require that $k_4 \geq 3.8 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at an ionic strength of 0.8 M. Given that $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{-}4,11\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ tends to be significantly more reactive than $\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6^{3+}$ and that the cobalt(I) species are exceptionally facile reductants,⁴ a diffusion-limited value for k_4 is not unreasonable, so the two studies are not necessarily inconsistent and k' may be identified with k_3 .

We have performed a few experiments which indicate that aquocobalamin can function in a manner similar to $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}$ in the $\text{Cr}^{2+}\text{-Co}([\text{14}]\text{-}4,11\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ reaction. However our attempts to quantitate the similarities were frustrated by a relatively more favorable competition of H^+ for the reactive intermediate. The sensitivity of $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{-}4,11\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ to base hydrolysis⁸ made a pH of 3.5 the practical upper limit in these studies, and the rate of the catalyzed reaction was significantly inhibited by acid at all pH values ≤ 3 . We did find the rate law to be approximately zero order in $[\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{-}4,11\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}]$ at pH 3.5 but first order in the cobalt(III) substrate at pH 1.

We have made extensive attempts to generate aqueous solutions of $\text{Co}^{\text{I}}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)$ by electrolytic reductions. These attempts resulted in the formation of powerfully reducing blue solutions, solutions capable of generating H_2 when acidified and having absorption spectra not significantly different from those reported by Tait et al.⁴ for $\text{Co}^{\text{I}}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)$. However, the electrolyzed solutions always had

pH > 10 and very similar species are generated in deaerated basic solutions of $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}$.⁹ Furthermore, the blue reducing complexes were far less reactive toward H^+ than Tait et al.⁴ reported for $\text{Co}^{\text{I}}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)$.

We have also observed that $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}$ is unstable in strongly acidic ($[\text{H}^+] \geq 1 \text{ M}$) solutions concentrated in Cr^{2+} ($\geq 0.1 \text{ M}$). In such solutions, the $[\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)(\text{OH}_2)_2^{2+}]$ decreases very slowly (k_{app} of the order of $10^{-1}\text{-}10^{-2} \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$), presumably owing to the decomposition reactions of " $\text{HCo}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)_2^{2+}$ ". There was no evidence for gaseous products and the only product absorbing in the visible region appeared to be Cr^{3+} .¹¹

Conclusions

We have elsewhere noted that the Cr^{2+} reduction of $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{-}4,11\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$ is exceptionally slow apparently owing to a combination of unfavorable Franck-Condon reorganizational and orbital overlap factors in the transition-state combination of the two reactant partners.^{2,12} Given that reactant combinations exist for which the apparent reorganizational parameters are very small,^{6b,12a} then catalytic pathways can be found provided the obvious thermodynamic restrictions are met. If we express this in the formulation due to Marcus,¹³ then a substance X can act as an electron-transfer catalyst in outer-sphere reactions provided the apparent reorganizational parameters stand in the relation $(\lambda_{\text{Cr}} + \lambda_{\text{Co}}) > (\lambda'_{\text{Cr}} + \lambda'_{\text{Co}} + 2\lambda_{\text{X}})$, where $(\lambda_{\text{Cr}} + \lambda_{\text{Co}})$ are the appropriate reorganizational parameters for (2), $(\lambda'_{\text{Cr}} + \lambda_{\text{X}})$ for (3), and $(\lambda'_{\text{Co}} + \lambda_{\text{X}})$ for (4).¹⁴ This relation can only hold if $(\lambda_{\text{Cr}} + \lambda_{\text{Co}}) > (\lambda'_{\text{Cr}} + \lambda'_{\text{Co}})$ and the catalytic effect dramatizes the anomalous behavior of reorganizational parameters for reactant couples involving one member with one σ_{M} orbital singly occupied and the other member with vacant σ_{M} orbitals. In contrast it is to be noted that while the cobalt-(II)-cobalt(I) couple is $d^7\text{-}d^8$, therefore involving change of electron density in σ_{M} orbitals, the observation of a catalytic effect requires λ_{X} to be small presumably because large axial distortions occur in both the oxidized and reduced species.^{12b,12c,15}

Registry No. $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}]\text{tetraeneN}_4)$, 58815-31-9; $\text{Co}([\text{14}]\text{-dieneN}_4)(\text{NH}_3)_2^{3+}$, 36452-44-5; Cr^{2+} , 22541-79-3.

Supplementary Material Available: Figures 2 and 3 relating observed acid decomposition of the species obtained from electrolytic reductions of $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}([\text{14}]\text{tetraene})$ (2 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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Isotopic Splitting in the Sharp-Line Luminescence Spectrum of the Tetrachloroplatinate(II) Ion at 4 K

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In 1972 Patterson, Godfrey, and Khan¹ reported sharp-line luminescence and absorption spectra for the tetrachloroplatinate(II) ion doped in the host lattice of cesium hexachlorozirconate(IV) at 4 K. In particular, the sharp-line luminescence occurred between 19 450 and 23 190 cm⁻¹ and consisted of more than 30 distinct emission lines. Group theoretical analysis of the sharp emission lines showed that the emitting excited electronic state could only be of a certain symmetry. Also, Franck-Condon analysis showed that the Pt-Cl equilibrium separation in the excited emitting electronic state is 0.16 Å greater than in the ground state. It was argued that the reason for the splitting in the E and O peaks was that as transitions occur into the ground electronic state with more quanta of the ν_1 symmetric stretch mode excited, the complex samples to a greater extent its surroundings, and ions with

Table I. Energies of E and O Peak Components for PtCl₄²⁻ Luminescence Spectrum

n value	O peak component no.	Energy, cm ⁻¹	E peak component no.	Energy, cm ⁻¹
0			10E ₁	22 358
1	80 ₁	21 888	9E ₁	22 022
			9E ₂	22 030
2	70 ₁	21 560	8E ₁	21 700
	70 ₂	21 565	8E ₂	21 705
			8E ₄	21 725
3	60 ₁	21 230	7E ₁	21 371
	60 ₂	21 236	7E ₂	21 379
	60 ₃	21 245	7E ₃	21 385
			7E ₄	21 396
			7E ₅	21 403
4	50 ₁	20 902	6E ₁	21 041
	50 ₂	20 911	6E ₂	21 049
	50 ₃	20 921	6E ₃	21 059
			6E ₄	21 070
5	40 ₁	20 576	5E ₁	20 714
	40 ₂	20 587	5E ₂	20 724
	40 ₃	20 598	5E ₃	20 736
			5E ₄	20 748
6	30 ₁	20 252	4E ₁	20 389
	30 ₂	20 263	4E ₂	20 401
	30 ₃	20 277	4E ₃	20 414
			4E ₄	20 425
7	20 ₁	19 924	3E ₁	20 061
	20 ₂	19 939	3E ₂	20 076
			3E ₃	20 093
			3E ₄	20 107
8			2E ₁	19 734
			2E ₂	19 751
			2E ₃	19 768
9			1E ₁	19 403
			1E ₂	19 422

slightly less than cubic site symmetry give rise to additional peaks. In this paper a different explanation is proposed for the splittings.

The purpose of this paper is to demonstrate that the sharp splittings in the luminescence spectrum are due to the presence of ³⁵Cl and ³⁷Cl isotopes in the emitting tetrachloroplatinate(II) ion. The analysis is not dependent upon any adjustable parameters. Further, the analysis is different if the emitting species is Pt(IV) rather than Pt(II) and provides further evidence that the emitting species is indeed PtCl₄²⁻ rather than PtCl₆²⁻. As far as we are aware, there have been few reports of vibrational isotopic splitting observed in electronic spectra for inorganic compounds;²⁻⁴ however, this effect is well-known in Raman and infrared vibrational spectra.

Results

In the top portion of Figure 1, the luminescence spectrum of a Cs₂PtCl₄-CsZrCl₆ single crystal at a temperature of 4 K is shown. The details of the spectroscopic measurements have been given previously in ref 1.

The Figure 1 spectrum contains two sets of peaks labeled E and O, with the E peaks having greater relative intensity than the O peaks. The progression of E peaks extends from 19 406 to 22 500 cm⁻¹ with an intensity maximum around 21 000 cm⁻¹. In contrast, the O peak progression is very similar to the E peak progression except that the O peaks seem to extend to about 23 500 cm⁻¹. However, if the O peak progression is carefully examined, it is found that peak 9O is broad and does not have the same general appearance as the other O peaks. Also, if the O peak splitting is measured as a function of increasing energy, it is found that the O peak splitting continually decreases until 9O, increases at 9O, and