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exception is a six-coordinate species $[PtI_2(PEt_3)_2(H)(SiH_2I)]$, which has been recovered¹² as a yellow solid after addition of SiH_3I to *trans*- $[PtI_2(PEt_3)_2]$ or alternately by the action of HI on *trans*- $[PtI(PEt_3)_2(SiH_2I)]$; slow decomposition at ambient temperature to the four-coordinate complex *trans*- $[PtI(PEt_3)_2(SiH_2)]$ has been ascribed¹² to rearrangement accompanied by elimination of H₂. Much more recently, the platinum(IV) congeners $[PtH_2(PMe_3)_2(MPh_3)_2]$ (M = Ge or Sn) have been characterized by Trogler et al.:¹⁹ no evidence was encountered in parallel chemistry for the existence of a silyl analogue (i.e. M = Si), where instead the platinum(II) monosilyl $[PtH(SiPh_3)(PMe_3)_2]$ was recovered in spite of the low steric requirements of the phosphine ligands at Pt.

Identification of platinum(IV) silyls is thus an objective of fundamental interest: a number of key transformations in silyl-platinum(II) chemistry (notably hydrogenolysis of Pt-Si bonds, which is in some circumstances reversible and therefore relevant to catalysis) are believed to occur via oxidative addition, i.e., formation of transient Pt(IV) species;²⁰ however, the latter have not normally been detectable, even by using in situ NMR spectroscopy on reacting systems.^{19,21} In a directly related mechanistic context, the importance of sequential oxidative addition/reductive elimination vs nucleophilic displacement at square Pt(II) as a vehicle for substitution reactions in Pt-Si chemistry has hitherto been difficult to assess, because of departure of the liberated silvl fragment from the Pt center during the elimination step. The synthetic methodology²⁶ described above has recently been adapted to obtain²² a palladium congener $Pd(chel)_2$ of complex 2, which is reported to be distinctly more stable than nonchelated bis(silyl) analogues.

Chelation at Pt by the phosphinoethylsilyl ligand chel is accompanied by a diagnostic²³ shift to high frequency (i.e. downfield), to about -80 ppm (Table I) compared with free chelH (-151 ppm) or with the latter coordinated through P only (Table II); this situation is typified by the shifts of -85.5 and -114.1 ppm for the complex [PtCl(chel)(PPh₂CH₂CH₂SiMe₂Cl)] (7). Precoordination through P of chelH is evidently an important step in attachment of chel at Pt, as is illustrated by NMR characterization of the intermediates 17-21 although whether or not a similar profile is followed in related chemistry such as regiospecific addition⁴ of chelH at Ir(I) remains unknown. Subsequent hydrosilylation at Pt has for the first time been shown to proceed through an octahedral silylplatinum(IV) configuration (22), in which the influence of a trans relationship with Si and the oxidized state of the metal combine to reduce ${}^{1}J(PtP)$ to an exceptionally low value (1084 Hz). Control of substrate orientation in the vicinity of the metal site that is implicit in selectivity toward a preferred diastereoisomer of complexes 4-6 may be significant in relation to asymmetric catalysis.

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Kinetics of the Electron-Exchange Reaction of the Hexacyanoosmate(II/III) Couple in Aqueous Media

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The kinetics of the electron self-exchange reaction of the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple have been investigated in aqueous media by using ¹³C NMR line-broadening techniques. The electron-exchange rate constant for the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple at 25 °C, I = 1.0 M (Na⁺), is $(8.9 \pm 0.5) \times 10^4$ M⁻¹ s⁻¹ with $\Delta H^4 = 36 \pm 4$ kJ mol⁻¹ and $\Delta S^4 = -31 \pm 12$ J K⁻¹ mol⁻¹. The rate constants display a first-order dependence on [Na⁺] and are dependent on the nature of the cation of the electrolyte, with an observed order of $k_{11}(Li^+) < k_{11}(Na^+) < k_{11}(NH_4^+) < k_{11}(K^+)$. The acid dissociation constants for the (HNC)_nOs(CN)_{6-n}⁽⁴⁻ⁿ⁾⁻ species, $pK_1 = 0.5 \oplus 0.3$ and $pK_2 = 2.0 \pm 0.2$ (I = 1.0 M (Na⁺)), were determined from cyclic voltammetry and ¹³C NMR chemical shift measurements. The electron-exchange rate constants decrease with increasing acidity owing to the proton equilibria involving the (HNC)₂Os(CN)₄²⁻ ($k_2 = 1.8 \times 10^3$ M⁻¹ s⁻¹, I = 1.0 M (Na⁺)) and (HNC)Os(CN)₅³⁻ ($k_1 = 2.8 \times 10^4$ M⁻¹ s⁻¹) species. The exchange rate constants are discussed in terms of the inner-sphere and solvent reorganization barriers and compared with the corresponding parameters for other M(CN)_n^{4-/3-} couples.

Introduction

Kinetic investigations of the electron-exchange and electrontransfer reactions of the $M(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couples of the iron triad have been almost exclusively limited to the $Fe(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ system.¹ The $Fe(CN)_6^{n-}$ species are well-characterized outer-sphere cross-reactants and have been extensively employed in electron-transfer kinetics studies with organic compounds,² transition-metal complexes,³ and metalloproteins.⁴ Recently, in this laboratory,

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the electron self-exchange for the Ru(CN)₆^{4-/3-} couple, $k_{11}(25)$ $^{\circ}$ C) = 8.3 × 10³ M⁻¹ s⁻¹ (I = 0.10 M (NaClO₄)) was measured directly from ¹³C NMR line-broadening determinations.⁵ A similar value was derived from the application of the Marcus relationship to the rate constants for a series of cross-reactions of the $\operatorname{Ru}(\operatorname{CN})_6^{4/3-}$ couple with metal complexes,⁵⁻⁷ small in-organic anions,⁵ and substituted dihydroxybenzene compounds.⁸

Relatively few electron-transfer kinetic studies have employed the $Os(CN)_{6}^{3-/4-}$ couple. Hicks⁹ observed a pH dependence for the oxidation of $Os(CN)_6^4$ by MnO_4^- , attributed to protonations of the coordinated cyanides, and estimated the electron self-exchange rate constant for the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple to be about 10⁷ M^{-1} s⁻¹. The Os(CN)₆⁴⁻ ion has also been employed as a reductive quencher for a number of excited state tris(polypyridine)ruthenium species¹⁰ and lanthanide ion cryptand complexes.¹¹ The Os- $(CN)_6^{3-}$ ion ($E^\circ = 0.63$ V), generated by laser photoionization, has recently been employed, along with the $Fe(CN)_{6}^{3-}$ ($E^{\circ} = 0.41$ V) and $\text{Ru}(\text{CN})_6^{3-}$ ($E^\circ = 0.92$ V) ions, in a kinetic study of the oxidation of ferrocytochrome $c.^{12}$

In this paper the results of kinetic and electrochemical investigations of the electron-exchange reactions involving the Os- $(CN)_{6}^{4-/3-}$ couple in aqueous solution are reported. The selfexchange rate constant and activation parameters for this couple have been measured directly, employing ¹³C NMR line-broadening techniques with ¹³CN-labeled samples. The dependences of the self-exchange rate constants on pH and the concentration and nature of the electrolyte cation have been investigated. The magnitude of the electron-exchange rate constant is discussed in terms of inner-sphere and solvent reorganizational barriers and is compared with exchange parameters for other $M(CN)_n^{4-/3-}$ couples and Os(II)/Os(III) systems.

Experimental Section

Materials. Potassium hexacyanoosmate(II) trihydrate, K₄[Os(C-N)₆]·3H₂O, was prepared from K_2OsCl_6 (Aldrich) by the method of Curtis and Meyer,¹³ recrystallizing the potassium salt twice from methanol. The ¹³CN-labeled salt was synthesized by using Na¹³CN (90% ¹³CN⁻, MSD Isotopes) in place of some of the KCN in the preparation. An isotopic enrichment of $\approx 40\%$ was estimated from ratio of the areas of the CN stretching bands in the infrared spectrum. The ¹³C=N stretching bands are found at 2018, 2000 (s), and 1980 (m) cm^{-1} and correspond to the 2066-, 2040-, and 2016-cm⁻¹ bands observed in K₄-[Os(CN)₆]-3H₂O.¹⁴ Sodium hexachloroiridate(IV) hexahydrate, Na₂-IrCl₆·6H₂O, was used as received (Strem). The concentration of the IrCl₆²⁻ ion in solution was determined spectrophotometrically at 488 nm $(\epsilon = 4030 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}).^{15}$

Physical Measurements. UV-visible spectra were recorded by using a Hewlett-Packard 8452A diode-array spectrophotometer, and infrared spectra were recorded on a Bomem MB-120 FT-IR instrument. Cyclic

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Figure 1. Dependences of $E_{1/2}$ on pH for the reduction of $Os(CN)_6^{3-}$ in aqueous solution at 25 °C and I = 0.10 M (O) and 1.0 M (\bullet) with $HClO_4/NaClO_4$ (this work) and I = 1.0 M (**B**) with K⁺/HClO₄ (data from ref 16a). The solid curves represent the fits of the data to eq 1.

Scheme I

$$Os(CN)_{6}^{3-} + 2H^{+} + e^{-} \stackrel{B_{2}}{\longleftrightarrow} (HNC)_{2}Os(CN)_{4}^{2-}$$

$$+H^{+} \parallel pK_{1}$$

$$Os(CN)_{6}^{3-} + H^{+} + e^{-} \stackrel{B_{1}}{\longleftarrow} (HNC)Os(CN)_{5}^{3-}$$

$$+H^{+} \parallel pK_{2}$$

$$Os(CN)_{6}^{3-} + e^{-} \stackrel{B^{0}}{\longleftarrow} Os(CN)_{6}^{4-}$$

voltammetric measurements were carried out in aqueous solution with a BAS CV-1B cyclic voltammograph (Bioanalytical Systems) attached to a Houston Instruments 100 X-Y recorder. The working (Pt button) and auxilliary (Pt wire) electrodes in the sample solution were separated from the reference electrode (Ag/AgCl) by a glass frit. The ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-400 instrument operating at 100.6 MHz. The aqueous samples were run in 5-mm tubes with 30% D₂O serving as an internal lock, and CH₃OH was employed as an external reference. The temperature of the probe was maintained to within 0.5 °C over the temperature range 20-50 °C. Nonlinear least-squares analyses of the pH-dependent electrochemical, kinetic, and NMR chemical shift data were performed by using a Simplex optimization program.

Results

Reduction Potential of the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ Couple. The electrochemical reduction potential of the $Os(CN)_6^{3-/4-}$ couple in neutral solution has been reported to be 0.64 V (0.10 M Na⁺)¹³ and 0.692 V (1.0 M K⁺),^{16a} with a strong dependence on the ionic strength (cation concentration) of the medium ($E^{\circ} = 0.634$ V, extrapolated to zero ionic strength in K⁺ media). In this study cyclic voltam-metry measurements on the $Os(CN)_6^{3-/4-}$ reduction potential were carried out in aqueous media $(I = 0.10 \text{ and } 1.0 \text{ M} (\text{NaClO}_4))$

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Table I. Electron-Exchange Rate Constants for M(CN)_a^{4-/3-} Couples in Aqueous Media at 25 °C

couple	<i>I</i> , M (M ⁺)	$10^{-4}k_{11}, M^{-1} s^{-1}$	ΔH^* , kJ mol ⁻¹	ΔS [•] , J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	ref	
Fe(CN)64-/3-	1.0 (K ⁺)	1.6		<u></u>	a	
	1.75 (Li ⁺) ^b	<3			с	
	1.75 (Na ⁺) ^b	5.8			с	
	1.75 (K ⁺) ^b	8.3			с	
	1.75 $(NH_4^+)^b$	8.4			Ċ	
Ru(CN) ₆ ^{4-/3-}	0.10 (Na ⁺)	0.83 ± 0.05	40 ± 5	-36 ± 15	d	
	0.10 (K ⁺)	2.1 ± 0.4			d	
	0.50 (K ⁺)	7.1 ± 0.3			d	
Os(CN) ₆ ^{4-/3-}	0.20 (Na ⁺)	1.5 ± 0.2			е	
-	0.50 (Na ⁺)	3.2 ± 0.3			е	
	1.0 (Li ⁺)	5.6 ± 0.3	40 ± 2	-20 ± 6	е	
	1.0 (Na ⁺)	8.9 ± 0.5	36 ± 4	-31 ± 12	е	
	1.0 (K ⁺)	13.5 ± 0.7	37 ± 4	-23 ± 12	е	
	1.0 (NH₄ ⁺)	10.8 ± 0.4	33 ± 3	-37 ± 9	е	
Mo(CN) ₈ ^{4-/3-}	0.10 (Na ⁺)	2.5 ± 0.4	31 ± 4	-54 ± 13	ſ	
	1.0 (Na ⁺)	16.4 ± 0.8			ſ	
W(CN) ₈ ^{4-/3-}	0.10 (Na ⁺)	1.5 ± 0.3			ſ	
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^aReference 22. ^bAt 32 ^oC, [M⁺] = 1.75 M. ^cReference 23a. ^dReference 5. ^cThis work. ^fKerr, D.; Macartney, D.H. Manuscript in preparation.

as function of pH in the range 0-7. The increase in $E_{1/2}$ observed upon an increase in the acidity of the solution (Figure 1) is the result of three redox couples, involving the proton equilibria of the $Os(CN)_6^4$ ion, as shown in Scheme I. It is not expected that protonation of Os(CN)63- will occur above pH 0, as none was observed for the corresponding $Fe(CN)_6^{3-}$ or $Ru(CN)_6^{3-}$ ions.^{1,5} The reduction potential at pH 1.0 (I = 0.10 M), $E_{1/2} = 0.733$ V, compares favorably with a reported value, $E_{1/2} = 0.758$ V, measured at pH 1.0 and a slightly higher ionic strength (I = 0.20 M (CF₃COOH/Na⁺)).^{16b} An increase in $E_{1/2}$ with decreasing pH was also observed by Opekar and Beran^{16a} at an ionic strength of 1.0 M in K⁺ media, and the values are presented in Figure 1 for comparison. There does not appear to be a significant dependence of the reduction potentials on the nature of the cation $(Na^+ \text{ or } K^+)$ at the same ionic strength in the pH range measured. This is likely a result of similar relative interactions (Os(II) relative to Os(III)) of the H⁺, Na⁺, and K⁺ cations with the reduced and oxidized anionic complexes.

For a reversible electrode reaction involving protons the Nernst equation (assuming similar diffusion coefficients of the reductant and oxidant¹⁷ and rapid diffusion of protons) may be written as in eq 1 where E° and $E_{1/2}$ are the formal electrode and half-wave

$$E_{1/2} = E^{\circ} + \frac{RT}{nF} \ln \left[1 + \frac{[H^+]}{K_2} + \frac{[H^+]^2}{K_1 K_2} \right]$$
(1)

potentials, respectively. The dependence of $E_{1/2}$ on pH for the Os(II)/Os(II) system (Figure 1) is consistent with pH regions for two-proton ($\Delta E_{1/2}/pH = 118 \text{ mV}$), one-proton ($\Delta E_{1/2}/pH$ = 59 mV), and zero-proton couples. From a nonlinear leastsquares fit of the cyclic voltammetry data to eq 1 the pK_1 and pK_2 values are estimated to be 1.0 ± 0.2 and 2.8 ± 0.1 at I = 0.10M and 0.6 \pm 0.2 and 1.9 \pm 0.1 at I = 1.0 M, respectively.

The analogous acid dissociation constants for the $Fe(CN)_6^{4-1}$ and $Ru(CN)_6^4$ systems, measured at I = 0.10 M, are 1.9 and 3.7¹⁸ (extrapolated to $pK_1 = 0.8$ and $pK_2 = 2.5$ at $I = 1.0 M^{19}$) and 1.6 and 3.2,⁵ respectively. Values of $pK_1 = 2.51$ and $pK_2 = 2.66$ for Os(CN)₆⁴⁻ system at I = 1.0 M (LiClO₄) were reported by Hicks⁹ from the pH dependence of the rate constants for the oxidation of $Os(CN)_6^{4-}$ by MnO_4^{-} . A much larger difference between the two pK values, as seen in present study, would be expected on both statistical ($\Delta p K = 0.48$) and electrostatic grounds.

Os(CN)₆^{4-/3-} Electron-Exchange Reaction. Direct measurements of the electron self-exchange rate constants, k_{11} , for the



Figure 2. Dependence of the $Os(CN)_6^{4-13}C$ NMR line width (W_{DP}) on the concentration of $Os(CN)_6^{3+}$ in aqueous solution at 25 °C, I = 0.2 M (\triangle), 0.5 M (\blacksquare), and 1.0 M (\bigcirc) with NaClO₄ and I = 1.0 M with LiClO₄ (O), KCl (Θ), and NH₄Cl (Θ).

 $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple in aqueous solution (30% D₂O) were determined from ¹³C NMR line-broadening experiments (eq 2).

$$O_{s}(CN)_{6}^{4-} + *O_{s}(CN)_{6}^{3-} \xrightarrow{k_{11}} O_{s}(CN)_{6}^{3-} + *O_{s}(CN)_{6}^{4-}$$
 (2)

The diamagnetic $Os(CN)_6^4$ ion has a ¹³C NMR chemical shift of 142.9 ppm (vs external CH₃OH) at 25 °C, with a half-height line width (W_D) of 4.5 ± 0.5 Hz. The Os(CN)₆³⁻ was generated in solution by the addition of a stoichiometric deficiency of paramagnetic $IrCl_6^{2-}$ ($E^{\circ} = 0.92$ V), which rapidly oxidizes the Os(CN)₆⁴⁻ ion,²⁰ forming in turn the diamagnetic IrCl₆³⁻ ion. Upon additions of the generated Os(CN)₆³⁻ ion ([Os(CN)₆³⁻] = $(0.3-2.5) \times 10^{-3}$ M) to the Os(CN)₆⁴⁻ solution (1.0×10^{-2} M)

The diffusion coefficients for $Os(CN)_6^4$ and $Os(CN)_6^{3^-}$ in 0.1 M HClO₄ are 5.6 × 10⁻⁶ and 6.8 × 10⁻⁶ cm² s⁻¹, respectively.^{16a} Smith, R. M.; Martell, A. E. *Critical Stability Constants*; Plenum Press: (17)

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the line width (W_{DP}) increased, with no change observed in the chemical shift.

The exchange process is in the slow-exchange domain,²¹ with $k_{11}[Os(CN)_6^3] \ll 2\pi(\delta \nu)$, and the electron-exchange rate constant may be determined from the relationship between the extent of line broadening $(W_{DP} - W_D)$ and the concentration of the paramagnetic species.

$$\pi(W_{\rm DP} - W_{\rm D}) = k_{11}[{\rm Os}({\rm CN})_6^{3-}]$$
(3)

The linear dependences of $W_{\rm DP} - W_{\rm D}$ on $[Os(CN)_6^{3-}]$ at 25 °C in a variety of electrolyte media are shown in Figure 2. The values of k_{11} determined for the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple by using eq 3, and the corresponding activation parameters, determined from k_{11} data over the temperature range 20–50 °C, are presented in Table I.

Cation Dependences. The dependence of k_{11} on the concentration of Na⁺ in the solution was determined in the range of $[Na^+] = 0.04-1.0$ M by the addition of NaClO₄. Figure 3 shows a plot of k_{11} against $[Na^+]$ for the exchange reaction at 25.0 °C. The dependence of the electron-exchange rate constant on the nature of the cation was studied at an ionic strength of 1.0 M by using chloride or perchlorate salts of Li⁺, Na⁺, K⁺, and NH₄⁺. The dependences of W_{DP} on $[Os(CN)_6^{3-}]$ for these reactions are shown in Figure 2, and the second-order rate constants are presented in Table I.

pH Dependence. The dependence of k_{11} on pH was investigated at 25 °C at an ionic strength of 1.0 M, using HClO₄/NaClO₄ mixtures (30% D₂O). Below pH 4 the electron-exchange rate constant is observed to decrease with an increase in the acid concentration, as shown in Figure 4. The acid dependence may be attributed to three electron-exchange pathways involving the osmium(II) reductant in different states of protonation (eqs 4-6).

$$Os(CN)_6^{4-} + Os(CN)_6^{3-} \stackrel{x_0}{\longleftarrow} Os(CN)_6^{3-} + Os(CN)_6^{4-}$$
(4)

$$(HNC)Os(CN)_{5}^{3-} + Os(CN)_{6}^{3-} \stackrel{\kappa_{1}}{\underset{Os(CN)_{6}^{3-}}{\longleftarrow}} + (HNC)Os(CN)_{5}^{3-} (5)$$

$$(HNC)_2Os(CN)_4^{2^-} + Os(CN)_6^{3^-} \stackrel{k_2}{\longleftrightarrow} Os(CN)_6^{3^-} + (HNC)_2Os(CN)_4^{2^-}$$
 (6)

An expression for the dependence of the observed electron-exchange rate constant on acid concentration (eq 7) may be written

$$k_{11}(\text{obs}) = \frac{k_2 + k_1 K_1 / [\text{H}^+] + k_0 K_1 K_2 / [\text{H}^+]^2}{1 + K_1 / [\text{H}^+] + K_1 K_2 / [\text{H}^+]^2}$$
(7)

in terms of the specific rate constants k_n , where *n* is the number of protons on the Os(II) species, and the acid dissociation constants as defined in Scheme I.

A non-linear least-squares fit of the kinetic data to eq 7 (using the pK values determined from the electrochemical experiments as initial estimates) yielded specific rate constants of $k_2 = (1.8 \pm 1.0) \times 10^3 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, $k_1 = (2.8 \pm 0.6) \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, and $k_0 = (8.9 \pm 0.5) \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, with p $K_1 = 0.5 \pm 0.3$ and p $K_2 = 2.3 \pm 0.3$.

The ¹³C NMR chemical shift of the cyanide carbons on Os-(CN)₆⁴⁻ was observed to move upfield with a decrease in the pH of the solution. The acid dissociation constants K_1 and K_2 were determined in the medium used for the electron-exchange kinetic measurements (30% D₂O, I = 1.0 M (NaClO₄/HClO₄)) from the pH dependence of the ¹³C NMR chemical shift in the range of pH = 0-6 (Figure 4). The relationship of the chemical shift (δ_{obe}) to the acid concentration may be expressed as in eq 8, where

$$\delta_{\rm obs} = \frac{\delta_2 + \delta_1 K_1 / [\rm H^+] + \delta_0 K_1 K_2 / [\rm H^+]^2}{1 + K_1 / [\rm H^+] + K_1 K_2 / [\rm H^+]^2} \tag{8}$$

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Figure 3. Dependence of k_{11} on [Na⁺] for the electron-exchange reaction of the Os(CN)₆^{4-/3-} couple in aqueous media at 25 °C.



Figure 4. Plots of the pH dependences of k_{11} for the Os(CN)₆^{4-/3-} couple (•) and the ¹³C chemical shift of Os(CN)₆⁴⁻ (0) at 25 °C and I = 1.0 M (NaClO₄/HClO₄). The solid curves represent the fits of the data to eqs 7 and 8, respectively.

 δ_n represents the ¹³C chemical shift of the corresponding (HNC)_nOs(CN)_{6-n}⁽⁴⁻ⁿ⁾⁻ species. A nonlinear least-squares fit of the chemical shift data to eq 8 yielded $\delta_2 = 13100$ Hz (130.2 ppm), $\delta_1 = 13800$ Hz (137.2 ppm), and $\delta_0 = 14390$ Hz (143.0 ppm), with p $K_1 = 0.5 \pm 0.3$ and p $K_2 = 2.0 \pm 0.1$. The acid dissociation constants are in good agreement with the values determined at the same ionic strength by cyclic voltammetry and from the kinetic measurements. The increase anticipated in the pK values on going from H₂O to 30% D₂O is only about 0.1–0.2 units,²⁴ within the

experimental uncertainties in these measurements.

Discussion

The electron self-exchange rate constant for the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple in aqueous solution has been obtained directly from a kinetic study, employing ¹³C NMR line-broadening techniques. When the effects of the concentration and the nature of the cation in the electrolyte are taken into consideration, the electron-exchange rate constant for $Os(CN)_6^{3^{-/4^-}}$ is very similar to those for the low-spin d⁶/d⁵ M(CN)₆^{4-/3-} couples of Fe and Ru and the d²/d¹ M(CN)₈^{4-/3-} couples of Mo and W (Table I). The activation parameters obtained for the Os(CN)₆^{4-/3-} exchange reaction are also similar to those found for the $Ru(CN)_6^{4/3-}$ and $Mo(CN)_8^{4/3-}$ couples in Na⁺ media.

The first-order dependence of the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ self-exchange rate constant on [Na⁺] (Figure 3) indicates that the cation catalyzes the electron-exchange reaction. The effect of changing the nature of the cation of the electrolyte on the electron-exchange rate constant for the Os(CN)₆^{4-/3-} couple H⁺ (k_1 in eq 5) < Li⁺ $< Na^+ < NH_4^+ < K^+$, was not unexpected. Similar trends have been reported for the $Fe(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ exchange reaction²³ and for several electron-transfer cross-reactions between $M(CN)_{n}^{4-/3-}$ complexes and anionic reactants.^{19,20,25} The cation is regarded as acting as an electrostatic buffer, reducing the repulsion between the two anionic reactants.²⁶ This role has been supported by the correlations of the electron-transfer rate constants with the crystal radii and the polarizability of the cations.

The electron self-exchange rate constants for a number of transition-metal complex couples, including $Ru(CN)_6^{4-/3-5}$ have been predicted with reasonable success by using the semiclassical model for outer-sphere bimolecular electron-exchange reactions.²⁷ The exchange rate constant k_{11} may be expressed (eq 9) as the

$$k_{11} = K_{\rm A} \nu_{\rm n} \kappa_{\rm el} \Gamma_{\rm n} \exp[-(\Delta G^*_{\rm in} + \Delta G^*_{\rm out})/RT]$$
(9)

product of a preequilibrium constant K_A , an effective nuclear frequency ν_n , an electronic factor κ_{el} , an inner-sphere nuclear tunneling factor Γ_n , and a nuclear factor that contains terms for both inner-sphere (ΔG^*_{in}) and solvent (ΔG^*_{out}) reorganization energies.

The inner-sphere term, ΔG^*_{in} , corresponds to the reorganization of bond distances and angles required prior to electron transfer, while the outer-sphere term, ΔG^*_{out} , is the energy needed to change the orientations of the solvent molecules surrounding the reactants. As with other low-spin d^6/d^5 couples,²⁷ in which electron exchange involves an electron occupying a nonbonding t_{2g} orbital, a small inner-sphere reorganization energy barrier is anticipated and estimated to be about 3 kJ mol⁻¹ for the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple.²⁸ The outer-sphere solvent reorganization barrier, ΔG^*_{out} , may be calculated by using an ellipsoidal cavity dielectric continuum model.^{27b,31} For the Os(CN)₆^{4-/3-} couple, a value of 28 kJ mol⁻¹

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The only other osmium(II/III) couples for which an electron self-exchange rate constant has been measured directly are several substituted tris(polypyridine)osmium(II/III) couples. In acetonitrile at 30 °C ($I \approx 0.01$ M) the k_{11} values in the range of (1-4) \times 10⁶ M⁻¹ s⁻¹ were determined from ¹H NMR line-broadening experiments.³³ In aqueous media, at higher ionic strengths (0.1-1.0 M), self-exchange rate constants of 10⁸-10⁹ M⁻¹ s⁻¹ have been estimated from the application of the Marcus equations³⁴ to the rate constants for a number of outer-sphere cross-reactions involving these complexes.³⁵ Estimates for k_{11} of 10²-10⁵ M⁻¹ s^{-1} have been reported for a number of osmium amine complex couples, 36 Os(NH₃)₅X^{(2-n)+/(3-n)+} (Xⁿ⁻ = H₂O, NH₃, Cl⁻), from the application of the Marcus relationship to cross-reactions of the Os(III) species with the excited state of a variety of substituted tris(polypyridine)ruthenium(II) complexes.

The electron self-exchange rate constant for the $Os(CN)_6^{3-/4-}$ couple is observed to decrease upon protonation of the Os(II) species. Hicks observed the same type of pH dependence in the electron-transfer cross-reaction of $Os(CN)_6^{4-}$ with MnO_4^{-} in LiClO₄ media,⁹ and it is also seen in the cross-reaction of Os- $(CN)_6^{4-}$ with $IrCl_6^{2-,20}$ A very similar pH dependence, with comparable electron-exchange rate parameters, was reported for the $Fe(CN)_{6}^{3-/4-}$ system by Holzwarth.¹⁹ Through the application of the Marcus relationship³⁴ to the acid-dependent rate constants for the oxidation of $Fe(CN)_6^{4-}$ by $IrCl_6^{2-}$ (22 °C, I = 0.93 M (NaClO₄)), electron self-exchange rate constants for the three proton-related couples, $(HNC)_{n}Fe(CN)_{6-n}^{(4-n)-}/Fe(CN)_{6}^{3-n}$ (analogous to eqs 5-7), were determined to be $8 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for $n = 0, 1.4 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for n = 1, and $3.3 \times 10^3 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for n = 2. An earlier study^{23a} involving a direct measurement of the electron-exchange rate constant (using ¹⁴N NMR) for a solution containing 0.25 M each of H₄Fe(CN)₆ and H₃Fe(CN)₆ at 32 °C indicated a value of $k_{11} < 4 \times 10^3 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

The $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ electron-exchange processes in eqs 6 and 7 are thus best regarded as occurring through concerted electronand proton-transfer reactions (no net thermodynamic driving force). This mechanism implies different reorganization barriers for the three electron-exchange couples, with the proton-transfer processes adding to the magnitude of ΔG^*_{in} . Holzwarth¹⁹ attributed the decrease in the Fe(CN)₆^{4-/3-} rate constant with an increase in the degree of protonation of the $Fe(CN)_6^{4+}$ ion to a superposition of two effects, with an increase in the reorganization energy (increasing ΔG^*_{in} , decreasing k_{11}) upon protonation overcoming the decrease in the electrostatic repulsion between the ions (increasing K_A , increasing k_{11}).

Kinetic studies of electron-transfer reactions of the $Os(CN)_6^{4-/3-}$ couple with a variety of inorganic and organic cross-reactants in aqueous media,²⁰ and the electron-exchange reaction in nonaqueous media, employing tetraalkylammonium salts $([R_4N]_n - [Os(CN)_6] (n = 3, 4))^{37}$ are in progress.

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Quantitative Preparations of 1,3,2-Dithiazolium, 1,3,2,4-Dithiadiazolium, and 1-Halo-1,2,4,3,5-trithiadiazolium Cations by the General, Symmetry-Allowed Cycloadditions of SNSAsF₆ with Alkynes, Nitriles, and Thiazyl Halides. Kinetics of Cycloadditions of the 1,3-Dipolar-like SNS⁺ with Aliphatic and Aromatic Nitriles and Alkynes

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The dithionitronium cation (SNS⁺) undergoes general, quantitative, thermally allowed cycloaddition reactions with alkynes (giving 1,3,2-dithiazolium salts), nitriles (giving 1,3,2,4-dithiadiazolium salts), and thiazyl halides (generated in situ, to give 1-halo-1,2,4,3,5-trithiadiazolium salts). When carried out in SO₂ solvent with SNS⁺ as the AsF_6^- salt, these cycloadditions give analytically and spectroscopically pure products in one step, which have been characterized by chemical analysis, NMR (¹H, ¹⁹F, ¹³C, ¹⁴N) and vibrational spectroscopy, melting point, and X-ray crystallography (published previously). The wide generality of these reactions is unusual in the context of sulfur-nitrogen chemistry. The rates of cycloadditions of SNS⁺ to various alkynes and nitriles were systematically investigated, and Ig (relative rate) was shown to be approximately porportional to -IP(triple bond). This is consistent with the results of MO calculations, which predict that the dominant orbital interaction during these cycloadditions is between the LUMO(SNS⁺) and the HOMO(triple bond), even for electrophilic alkynes and nitriles. Our rate/IP correlation for nitrile cycloaddition rates is quantitative, but for alkynes it is only qualitative. This is interpreted in terms of an asynchronous transition state in which steric effects are significant for alkynes but not nitriles. Surprisingly long ¹H longitudinal NMR relaxation times

 (T_1) were also determined for HCSNSCH⁺ (47 ± 7 s) and CF₃CSNSCH⁺ (63 ± 3 s) in SO₂ solvent.

Introduction

Despite significant recent progress,¹ much of the chemistry of sulfur-nitrogen compounds is nonquantitative and poorly understood.² In contrast, we have shown that the SNS⁺ (cf. ONO⁺) cation (as the AsF_6^- salt) undergoes quantitative, symmetry-allowed cycloaddition reactions with some alkynes (CF₃CCCF₃, HCCH, MeCCH),^{3,4} nitriles (RCN, R = Me, tBu, CF₃, I),^{3,5} alkenes (E-MeCHCHMe, H2CCH2),6 and SN^{+.1f,g} We now show that quantitative cycloaddition reactions in fact occur with a very wide range of alkynes, nitriles, and thiazyl halides to give analytically and spectroscopically (IR, multinuclear NMR) pure materials (see Table I and II).7 Cycloaddition of SNS+ to alkynes

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and nitriles thus appears to be completely general and potentially extendable to other triply bonded systems (e.g. phosphaalkynes⁸). This is in contrast to other cycloadditions involving sulfur-nitrogen compounds, which usually possess less generality. For example, cycloadditions of S_4N_4 are restricted to strained alkenes⁹ (e.g. norbornene) and ClSNSCl⁺¹⁰ and RR'CSNSCRR'⁺ (R,R' = H,H and H,Me)⁶ will cycloadd to some alkynes (HCCH, MeCCH), but there is no reaction with CF_3CCCF_3 or nitriles.¹¹

We show that the reactions of RCN ($R = Me, 2,5-Me_2C_6H_3$, C_6H_5 , 3,5- $(O_2N)_2C_6H_3$, p-O₂NC₆H₄) and CF₃CCCF₃ with SNS⁺ are first order in both reactants, consistent with the proposed cycloadditions. In addition, we show that the logarithm of the second-order rate constants for a wide variety of alkynes and nitriles is approximately proportional to -IP of the triple bond. Within the context of Sustmann's classification of 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions¹² the reactions of SNS⁺ are of "type III", in which

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