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# Study on thermodynamic properties of a double salt, K<sub>2</sub>Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O

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#### Abstract

The standard molar enthalpy of solution of double salts,  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)$ , in water has been measured by solution calorimetry. From that value, combined with auxiliary values, the standard molar formation enthalpy has been derived:  $\Delta_f H_m^{\Theta}$  ( $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O_s, 298.2 \text{ K} = -2510.69 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . The standard free energy { $\Delta_f G_m^{\Theta}$  ( $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O_s, 298.2 \text{ K} = -2061.72 \text{ J K mol}^{-1}$ } and the absolute entropy ( $S_m^{\Theta}(K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O_s, 298.2 \text{ K}) = 258.36 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$  were also calculated. © 1999 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

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# 1. Introduction

A series of double iodates are of interest in view of the fact that the compounds are expected to possess valuable electric properties [1–3]. The crystal structure and the spectral properties have been previously reported [4–7]. Recently, Rabadjieva and Maneva [8] have reported the preliminary values of the standard molar formation enthalpies of new a double salt,  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4$ ·2H<sub>2</sub>O, obtained by solubility and DSC methods. From a comparison, we have determined the standard molar formation enthalpies based on solution calorimetry.

Firstly, the dissolution enthalpies of  $[K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)]$  and  $[KIO_3(s) + Mg(IO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O(s)]$  in water have been measured at 298.2 K.

Hence, from these value, combined with auxiliary values, the standard molar formation enthalpy of  $[K_2Mg(IO_3)_4:2H_2O(s)]$  has been derived:  $\Delta_f H_m^{\Theta}$  ( $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4:2H_2O,s,298.2 \text{ K}$ ) = -2510.69 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. The standard free energy { $\Delta_f G_m^{\Theta}$  ( $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4:2H_2O,s,298.2 \text{ K}$ ) = -2061.72 KJ mol<sup>-1</sup>} and the absolute entropy { $S_m^{\Theta}(K_2Mg(IO_3)_4:2H_2O,s,298.2 \text{ K})$  = 258.36 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>} were also calculated.

#### 2. Experimental

#### 2.1. Chemicals

All the chemicals (KIO<sub>3</sub>, Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O, KCl) used were of analytical grade.

KCl, calorimetric primary standard of purity >99.99%, was dried in a vacuum oven for 6 h at 408 K prior to use. Doubly distilled water was used throughout the experiment.

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# 2.2. Calorimeter

The isoperibol reaction calorimeter used for this study was constructed in this laboratory and was adapted for measuring enthalpies of solid–liquid, liquid–liquid reactions [9,10]; the volume of the reaction vessel is  $100 \text{ cm}^3$ . The precision temperature control and measurement were  $\pm 0.001$  and  $\pm 0.0001$  K, respectively.

The calorimeter was tested by measuring the dissolution enthalpy of THAM (NBS 742a, USA) in 0.1 mol 1<sup>-1</sup> HCl and KCl (calorimetric primary standard) in water at 298.2 K. The mean dissolution enthalpies were  $-297766 \pm 16 \text{ J mol}^{-1}$  for THAM and 17 597  $\pm$  17 J mol<sup>-1</sup> for KCl, which are in conformity with the respective published data [11,12].

#### 2.3. Preparations

 $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4$ ·2H<sub>2</sub>O(s) was prepared by evaporating a mixture of solution of KIO<sub>3</sub> and Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O (mole ratio 2 : 1) according to the method of Rabadjieva and Maneva [8]. The water content of K<sub>2</sub>Mg-(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O(s) was identified by thermogravimetry.

# 3. Results

All the salts were dissolved in 100 ml of water.

Samples of 0.37 g of  $\text{KIO}_3(s)$  and  $\text{Mg(IO}_3)_2$ · $4\text{H}_2\text{O}(s)$  in a mole ratio 2:1 were dissolved in 100 ml water at 298.2 K. The results are shown in Table 1.

The dissolution enthalpies of  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)$ in water was measured under the same conditions. The results are also tabulated in Table 1.

# 3.1. The standard molar formation enthalpy of $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4$ ·2 $H_2O(s)$

The reaction scheme used to derive the standard molar formation enthalpy of  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)$  is given in Table 2. The molar dissolution enthalpy of KIO<sub>3</sub>(s) and Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O(s) mixture in mole ratio of  $n(\text{KIO}_3)/n(\text{Mg(IO}_3)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}) = 2 : 1$  was determined in water. In the same conditions, we have measured the molar dissolution enthalpy of  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)$ . The dilution effect of  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)$  aqueous solution diluted in 2 mol H<sub>2</sub>O is ignored. These values were combined with auxiliary values of  $\Delta_{\rm f} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta} = -501.37 \text{ KJ mol}^{-1}$ for KIO<sub>3</sub>(s), -285.83 KJ mol<sup>-1</sup> for H<sub>2</sub>O(l) [13] and  $-2092.42 \text{ KJ mol}^{-1}$  for Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O(s) [14] to derive the standard molar formation enthalpy of  $[K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)]: \Delta_f H_m^{\Theta}(K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O,$ s.298.2K = -2510.69 KJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.

#### Table 1

Dissolution enthalpies of  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4$ ·2H<sub>2</sub>O(s), [2KIO<sub>3</sub>(s) + Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O(s)] in water at 298.2 K

System	No.	<i>m</i> <sup>a</sup> /g	<i>Q</i> <sup>ь</sup> /Ј	$\Delta_{\rm s} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta} / (\rm kJ \ mol^{-1})$
	$\Delta_{\rm r} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta} [{\rm K}_2 {\rm Mg}]$	$IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s) = 70.530 \pm 0.03$	56 kJ mol <sup><math>-1</math></sup>	
$K_2Mg(IO_3)_4\cdot 2H_2O(s)$	1	0.3491	29.469	70.751
	2	0.3486	29.335	70.529
	3	0.3503	25.459	70.480
	4	0.3557	29.854	70.345
	5	0.3042	25.575	70.465
	6	0.4003	30.538	70.611
	$\Delta_{\rm s} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta} [2 {\rm KIO}_3 ($	$(s) + Mg(IO_3)_2 \cdot 2H_2O(s)] = 83$	$.345 \pm 0.041 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$	
$2\text{KIO}_3(s) + \text{Mg(IO}_3)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}(s)$	1	0.3650	34.796	83.335
	2	0.3654	34.810	83.277
	3	0.3642	34.675	83.222
	4	0.3650	34.836	83.428
	5	0.3642	34.712	83.311
	6	0.3580	34.485	83.495

<sup>a</sup> Mass of sample.

<sup>b</sup> Heat effect.

Table 2

Reaction scheme for the standard molar formation enthalpy of K<sub>2</sub>Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O(s) at the temperature 298.2 K. The solvent 's' was water.  $\Delta H_6 = \Delta H_1 - \Delta H_2 + 2\Delta H_3 + \Delta H_4 - 2\Delta H_5$ Reaction
Solution
Solution  $\Delta H_6^{\Theta}(\text{del mat}^{-1})$ 

Reaction	Solution	$\Delta_{\rm s} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta} / (\rm kJ \ mol^{-1})$
$\frac{1}{1. \{2KIO_3(s) + Mg(IO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O(s)\} + s' = 0}$	А	$83.345 \pm 0.041$
2. $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s) + s' =$	В	$70.530 \pm 0.056$
3. $K(s) + 1/2I_2(s) + 3/2O_2(g) = KIO_3(s)$		-501.37
4. $Mg(s) + I_2(s) + 5O_2(g) + 4H_2(g) = Mg(IO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O(s)$		-2092.42
5. $H_2(g) + 1/2O_2(g) = H_2O(1)$	-285.83	
6. $2K(s) + Mg(s) + 2l_2(s) + 7O_2(g) + 2H_2(g) = K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)$		-2510.69

#### 3.2. The standard free energy

For the equilibrium

$$\begin{split} K_2 Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2 O &\rightleftharpoons 2K^+ + Mg^{2+} + 4IO_3^- \\ + 2H_2 O \end{split}$$

We can write the equilibrium as follows:

$$\begin{split} &\Delta_{\mathbf{f}} G_{\mathbf{m}}^{\Theta} (\mathbf{K}_{2} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{g} (\mathbf{IO}_{3})_{4} \cdot 2\mathbf{H}_{2} \mathbf{O}) \\ &= 2 \Delta_{\mathbf{f}} G_{\mathbf{m}}^{\Theta} (\mathbf{K}^{+}) + \Delta_{\mathbf{f}} G_{\mathbf{m}}^{\Theta} (\mathbf{M} \mathbf{g}^{2+}) \\ &+ 4 \Delta_{\mathbf{f}} G_{\mathbf{m}}^{\Theta} (\mathbf{IO}_{3}^{-}) + 2 \Delta_{\mathbf{f}} G_{\mathbf{m}}^{\Theta} (\mathbf{H}_{2} \mathbf{O}) - \Delta_{\mathbf{r}} G_{\mathbf{m}}^{\Theta} \end{split}$$

The standard free energy of  $\Delta_{\rm f}G_{\rm m}^{\ \Theta}({\rm K}^+)$ ,  $\Delta_{\rm f}G_{\rm m}^{\ \Theta}({\rm Mg}^{2+})$ ,  $\Delta_{\rm f}G_{\rm m}^{\ \Theta}({\rm IO}_3^{\ -})$  and  $\Delta_{\rm f}G_{\rm m}^{\ \Theta}({\rm H}_2{\rm O})$  were taken from Ref. [13].  $\Delta_{\rm r}G_{\rm m}^{\ \Theta} = {\rm RT} \ln k$  was obtained from Ref. [8]. After combining previous data, we obtained:  $\Delta_{\rm f}G_{\rm m}^{\ \Theta}({\rm K}_2{\rm Mg}({\rm IO}_3)_4\cdot 2{\rm H}_2{\rm O},{\rm s},298.2~{\rm K}) = -2061.72~{\rm kJ~mol}^{-1}$ .

# 3.3. The absolute entropy of $[K_2Mg(IO_3)_4 \cdot 2H_2O(s)]$

According to  $\Delta G = \Delta H \cdot T \Delta S$ , and combining previous data ( $\Delta_{\rm f} G_{\rm m}^{\Theta}$  and  $\Delta_{\rm f} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta}$  values of K<sub>2</sub>Mg(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O), the value  $\Delta S = -1505.60$  J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup> was obtained. The absolute entropy of K(s), Mg(s), I<sub>2</sub>(s), O<sub>2</sub>(g) and H<sub>2</sub>O(l) were taken from available sources [13]:

$$S_{\rm m}^{\Theta}({\rm K}_2{\rm Mg(IO_3)}_4 \cdot 2{\rm H}_2{\rm O}, {\rm s}, 298.2 \,{\rm K})$$
  
= 258.36; J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>

# 4. Discussion

The standard enthalpies of formation in the solid state obtained in the present work for  $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4$ .

 $2H_2O(s)$  differ from the values presented in Ref. [8] (see Table 2). The reason of this difference should be sought in the most probable sources of errors in calorimetric methods used. In Ref. [8], the DSC method depends on the error of the apparatus and the measurement, since the error of calculation of  $\Delta_{\rm f} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta}$  is 8–10%. The data on the solubility, on the basis of which the  $\Delta_{\rm f} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta}$  value has been calculated by the Van't Hoff equation [d ln  $K/d(1/T) = \Delta H^0/R$ ], have been determined under the conditions of thermodynamic equilibrium. A very high accuracy over a wide temperature range is needed in the determination of K in the Van't Hoff equation. Otherwise, the propagation of error in K to that  $\Delta H^0$  will make that latter value almost useless [15,16]. In this paper, we confirmed the thermodynamic identities of solutions A and B, and used the unique thermochemical cycle with every calorimetric solvent for double salt and  $[2KIO_3(s) + Mg(IO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O(s)]$ . Thus, we are inclined to believe that the  $\Delta_{\rm f} H_{\rm m}^{\Theta}$  value determined by solution calorimeter measurements is more reliable.

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