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PARAMETER OF CRYSTALS SYNTHESIZED FROM SOLVENT

EVAPORATION METHOD

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Abstract

Crystal from transition metal Co(II),Cu(II) and Ni(II) with Schiff base have been synthesized . They were characterized by Elemental analysis, Infrared spectra, Electronic spectra and Thermo gravimetric analysis. Kinetic Parameters, such as energy of activation (Ea), enthalpy (Δ H#), entropy (Δ S#) and Gibbs energy (Δ G#), were computed from the TGA data. Based on the thermal studies, Thermal stability and kinetic parameters of these complexes were studied by employing Thermo gravimetric Analysis (TGA). The TGA graph shows that the complexes are stable up to 300 °C temperature. Decomposition takes place in four stages. Activation energy for decomposition has been calculated using Broido method. Mathematical analysis of the data has allowed us to determine various parameters using integral method using the coats-Redfern equation and the approximation method using the Horowitz-Metzger equation. The trend of the kinetic parameters was found to be different from that of the thermal stability order.

Keywords:

Synthesis, Thermal degradation, Enthalpy, Entropy, Gibbs Parameter, Activation parameters

Introduction

The crystals of Schiff bases derived from heterocyclic compounds have been the centre of attraction for many workers in recent years.[1-3]. The physicochemical data suggested tetrahedral geometry for the Cu(II), Co(II) and Ni(II) crystals. Thermo kinetic and spectral studies of metal complexes some Schiff bases [4] TGA is commonly employed in research and testing to determine characteristics of materials such as polymers, In presence study The thermal behavior (TGA) of the crystals was studied and kinetic parameters were determined by Broido method [5]. Very few systems have been reported [6]



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showing the relationship between thermal stability of crystals and structure of the chelating agents. Wendlandt and co-workers[7-9] and Hill and co-workers[10] studied the thermal properties of crystals with different types of complexing ligands. Structural studies on several metal chelates of 1-diketones and 2-hydroxycarbonyl compounds have been reviewed by Holm and O' Connor. The Broido method was used to evaluate the kinetic parameters from the TGA curves. Plots of ln(ln 1/y) versus 1000/T (where y is the fraction not yet decomposed) for different stage of the thermal degradation of the crystals and evaluation of kinetic parameters the integral method using the Coats-Redfern equation and the approximation method using the Horowitz- Metzger equation.

Experimental

Synthesis of Co(II), Cu(II) and Ni(II) crystals

The crystals were prepared by mixing Schiff base (0.1mol) in hot ethanol solution to (0.1mol) metal chloride salt solution prepared in distilled water. The schiff base solution was added slowly with continuous stirring to metal solution. It was refluxed for 3 hours and after refluxation, the mixture was heated for 10 minutes till the contents was reduced to half. Then the crystals precipitated out after being cooled. The precipitate was filtered and washed with the distilled water. All crystals were dried and kept in vacuum desiccators.

Elemental analyses were performed with a Perkin-Elmer 2400 series –II, C-H-O-N-S analyzer. The metal content was determined [11] by titration with a solution of standardized disodium salt of EDTA after. The conductivity of crystals was measured in DMF as solvent using conductivity meter model, Systronic 361 μ digital. All the crystals showed the molar conductance values for 10⁻³M concentration in range 2 to 78 ohm⁻¹cm² mol⁻¹. The IR spectra were recorded in the range 4000–400 cm⁻¹ on a Perkin-Elmer-783 instrument in KBr pellets. Thermo gravimetric analysis of the crystals was carried out in air by





heating at a constant rate of 10°C per minute using a Perkin-Elmer TGA-7DSC-PYRIS-1-DTA-7 thermal analysis system. The activation energy (Ea) of the degradation process were obtained by the Broido method

Results and Discussion

All the synthesized crystals in DMF. The analytical data (not shown) were reveals a stoichiometry of 1:2, metal: ligand. The molar conductance values of 10⁻³ M solutions in DMF were in the range of 8.58–16.22 ohm⁻¹cm² mol⁻¹, indicating a non-electrolytic behavior of the complexes. IR and Electronic spectral data were obtained(not shown).

Thermal studies

The cumulative weight loses of metal crystals at 50C, 100°C, 150°C, 200°C and 250°C are presented in [Table 1] Decomposition of all crystals starts above 350° C. The rate of decomposition of crystals is lower than that of the ligand suggested that there may be weak intermolecular hydrogen bonding. Co(II) thermograms also shows the presence of six water molecules and loss in weight equivalent to 15-20% at 100°C to 150°C. Again presence of water molecules is observed in Cu(II) crystals. These crystals show loss 5 to 8% equivalent to two water molecules at 100°C to 150°C. The final product is found to be metal oxide in all the crystals. Thermo gravimetric analysis shows that all synthesized crystals are hydrated and have water molecules associated to them. Co(II) has six, Ni(II) has four and Cu(II) has two water molecules as part of their structure. All crystals lost hydration water 50°C and 150°C and then the coordinated water molecule was lost above $\geq 250^{\circ}$ C. The decomposition was complete at >600°C for all crystals. The TGA curves of all crystals were shown in [Figure 1].





Activation Energy and Thermodynamic Parameters studies

The Broido method was used to evaluate the kinetic parameters from the TGAcurves. Plots of $\ln(\ln 1/y)$ versus 1000/T (where y is the fraction not yet decomposed) for four stage of the thermal degradation of the crystals are shown in [Figure2]. The slope of the plot $\ln(\ln 1/y)$ versus 1000/T is related to the energy of activation as

 $Ea = -2.303 \times R \times slope \qquad (1)$

Where, R = gas constant.

The parameters, enthalpy (Δ H#), entropy (Δ S#) and Gibbs energy (Δ G#) of activation were calculated using the following standard equations

 $\Delta H \# = Ea - R Td (2)$

 $\Delta S \# = \Delta H \# / T - 4.576 \log T / K' - 47.22$ (3)

where $K' = -\ln(\ln 1/y)$

 $\Delta G \# = \Delta H \# - \Delta T S \# (4)$

The activation energies of decomposition were the range (15.41-98.57), (15.93-37.55),and (17.34-67.65) kJ mol⁻¹ in Cu(II), Co(II) and Ni(II) respectively. The high values of the activation energies reflect the thermal stability of the crystals [12-13]. The entropy of activation (Δ S#) and enthalpies of activation(Δ H#) values for four steps of all the crystals are negative and the negative values of the entropies of activation are compensated by the values of the enthalpies of activation leading to almost the same values (27827-28731 kJ mol⁻¹) for the free energies of activation(Δ G#). The data were summarized in [Table 2]. The entropy of activation had negative values in all the complexes, which indicates that the decomposition reactions proceed with a lower rate than normal ones.

Kinetic calculations

The kinetic and thermodynamic parameters viz. the order of the reaction (n), the energy of activation (Ea), the pre-exponential factor (Z), the entropy of activation (Δ S#) and the Gibbs energy change (Δ G#), together with the





correlation coefficient (r) for the non-isothermal decomposition of the crystals, were determined by the Horowitz–Metzer (HM) approximation method[14] and the Coats–Redfern integral method. The obtained data are given in [Table 3]. The results showed that the values obtained by two methods are comparable. The calculated values of the activation energy of the crystals are relatively low, indicating the autocatalytic effect of the metal ion on the thermal decomposition of the crystal. The negative activation entropy value indicates that the activated crystals were more ordered than the reactant and that the reactions were slow. The more ordered nature may be due to the polarization of bonds in the activated state, which might occur through charge transfer electronic transitions.











Fig 2: Plot of $\ln[\ln(1/y)]$ vs 1000/T for crystals

Table – 1 Thermogravitomatric Analyses of Crystals

Crystal	Found									
	50°C		100°C		150°C		200°C		250°C	
	G	%	G	%	G	%	G	%	G	%
$[\text{Co}\cdot\text{L}_2]$ [·] 6H ₂ O·Cl ₂	7.14	1	107.23	15	142.98	20	150	24	193.00	27
[Ni·L2].4H2O.Cl2	0.678	0.1	61.08	9	101.80	15	122.16	18	156.1	23
[Cu·L2].2H2O·Cl2	0.64	0.1	32.37	5	51.80	8	77.70	12	116.55	18

Table -2 Activation energy and Thermodynamic parameters Crystals

Crystals	stage	Temp range ⁰ C	Ea kJ mol-1	(H#)	(S#)	(G#)
.[Co·L2] 6H2O Cl2	i	60-90	67.65324	-6608.49	-42.0776	27887.45
	ii	90-270	17.34607	-6658.8	-42.1534	27937.68
	iii	270-500	25.53418	-6650.61	-42.1411	27929.51
	iv	500-620	55.66773	-6620.47	-42.0956	27899.42
[Ni·L2] ·4H2O Cl2	i	60-130	30.86655	-6645.28	-42.0595	28716.94
	ii	130-220	15.93904	-6660.2	-42.0814	28731.84
	iii	220-490	37.55796	-6638.58	-42.0497	28710.25
	iv	490-640	20.33129	-6655.81	-42.075	28727.46
[Cu·L2] ·2H2O·Cl2	i	60-100	48.44321	-5879.44	-41.4362	27877.8
	ii	100-130	98.57009	-5829.31	-41.3617	27827.75
	iii	130-370	40.5706	-5887.31	-41.4479	27885.66
	iv	370-640	15.41761	-5912.46	-41.4852	27910.78





Table -3 Kinetic parameter of degradation of the crystalscalculated by theHorowitz–Metzger and
 Coats–Redfern methods

Crystals	stage	n	Method	Ea kJ mol-1	Z s ⁻¹	∆S# J K-1 mol -1	∆G# kJ mol -1	r
[Co·L2] 6H2O Cl2	Ι	1.10	Horowitz-	25.5320	0.7060	-47.2231	31299.00	0.95
	II		Metzger equation	25.5012	0.9091	-46.3342	30709.66	0.95
	Ι	0.90	Coats- Redfern	58.7502	5.202	-43.0250	28515.66	0.95
	II		equation	58.7451	5.313	-43.2201	28645.01	0.95
[Ni·L2] ·4H2O Cl2	Ι	0.80	Horowitz-	35.8632	9.41 X 10 ¹¹	-48.0212	31828.14	0.96
	II		Metzger equation	33.5574	3.5 X 10 ⁹	-48.335	32036.19	0.96
	Ι	1.05	Coats- Redfern equation	19.2023	60.3	-55.809	37011.30	0.95
	II			16.2455	49.11	-55.707	36943.50	0.95
[Cu·L2] ·2H2O·Cl2	Ι	1.00	Horowitz-	101.2587	1.5 X 10 ²⁷	-41.2281	27324.31	0.96
	II	1.00	Metzger equation	99.5684	1.6 X 10 ²³	-40.2323	26664.10	0.96
	Ι	1 40	Coats- Redfern	41.7862	1.9 X 10 ⁶	-40.2051	26646.06	0.95
	II	1.42	equation	40.5834	5.4 X 10 ⁵	-40.1520	26610.86	0.95

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