New-Type of Copper(II) Complexes with a Subnormal Magnetic Moment Derived from N, N'-Bis(2-carboxyethyl)oxamide

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The present authors are continuing their syntheses and characterization of metal complexes coordinating negative amide nitrogen. This paper will report that the N,N'-bis-substituted-oxamidato copper(II) acts as a bidentate ligand to afford newtype copper(II) complexes with a subnormal magnetic moment: that is, a new ligand, N,N'-bis(2-carboxyethyl)oxamide, has been synthesized, and then three kinds of copper(II) complexes with this ligand (abbreviated, $Na_2[Cu-CEoxd]$, [Cu-CEoxd-Cu-bipy], and $[Cu(CEoxdH)(OH)]_2$) have been isolated.

The [Cu-CEoxd-Cu-bipy] was obtained as yellowish-green fine crystals by mixing one mole of the Na₂[Cu-CEoxd] and one mole of mono-

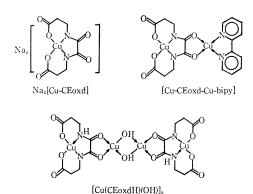


Fig. 1. Copper (II) complexes isolated.

(2,2'-bipyridyl)-copper(II) nitrate in a water solution in which the pH value had been adjusted at 9. Found for the tetra-hydrate, Cu, 21.50%; N, 9.99%; H₂O, 12.66%. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₆O₆N₄Cu₂•4H₂O, Cu, 21.78%; N, 9.60%; H₂O, 12.35%. Found for the anhydrous salt, Cu, 24.85%. Calcd for anhydrous salt, Cu, 24.85%.

The [Cu(CEoxdH)(OH)]₂ was obtained as green fine crystals by the reaction of one mole of Na₂[Cu-CEoxd] with one mole of copper(II) salt in a water solution at room temperature. Found for deca-hydrate, Cu, 27.38%; N, 6.18%; H₂O, 19.59%. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₀O₁₄N₄Cu₄·10H₂O, Cu, 27.43%; N, 6.05%; H₂O, 19.44%. Found for anhydrous salt, Cu, 34.12%; N, 7.59%. Calcd for anhydrous salt, Cu, 34.05%; N, 7.51%.

The values of the magnetic moment for the [Cu-CEoxd-Cu-bipy] and [Cu(CEoxdH)(OH)]₂ are obviously subnormal. This suggests that the mutual interaction between the two copper(II) ionsmust take place through the partial structure:

$$Cu \stackrel{N}{\searrow} O Cu \stackrel{C}{\searrow} Cu$$
 and that they belong to

the category of "super exchange interaction." Putting it concretely, the interaction may take place through a π -path way (Cu-N-C-C-O-Cu) set up by using $3d_{yz}$ (or $3d_{xz}$) orbitals of the cupric ions and $2p_{\pi}$ orbitals of the bridging oxamide group. These two complexes are new-type complexes with a subnormal magnetic moment.

Table 1. Some Properties of Copper (II) Complexes Isolated.

Ligand and its complex	Magnetic data				IR-spectra ^{c)}			
	$10^6 \chi_{\rm g}$	10°X _M	$\mu_{ m eff} \ m (BM)$	T°K	VN-H	СООН	COO-Cu	amide I
Ligand CEoxdH4					3310	1700	d)	1645
Na ₂ [Cu-CE _{oxd}]·4H ₂ O	2.86	1173.5	1.78	287				
anhydrous salt	3.44	1160.6	1.79	300	d)	d)	1630	1585 ^{ы)}
[Cu-CE _{oxd} -Cu-bipy]·4H ₂ O	1.32	385.4	1.10	287				
anhydrous salt	1.73	442.4	1.13	287	d)	d)	1654	1619
$[Cu(CE_{oxd}H)(OH)]_2 \cdot 10H_2O$	2.61	605.3	1.27	286	ŕ	•		
anhydrous salta)	3.28	612.7	1.25	287	3350 ^{b)}	d)	1650	1635

a) The band which is due to the ν_{0-H} (bridged OH group) was observed at 3230 cm $^{-1}.$

b) Broad band. c) Anhydrous salts were used for the determinations. d) Disappeared

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