

A Quantitative Scale of the Spectrochemical Series for the Mixed Ligand Complexes of d⁶ Metals

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Quantitative scale of a new parameter d has been proposed for the spectrochemical series of ligands in the mixed ligand complexes of d⁶ metals, which enables us to predict the positions of low energy d–d absorption bands of a d⁶ complex. Introduction of a new reduction parameter α has improved the prediction of the d–d bands of mixed cyano complexes of cobalt(III), mixed halogeno complexes of rhodium(III), iridium(III), and platinum(IV), and also several mixed carbonyl complexes of low-valent d⁶ metals.

Some quantitative scales were presented for the spectrochemical series of ligands,¹⁾ i.e., ligand field splitting energy Δ (=10 Dq) of a given metal ion, or in an exact sense $f(\text{ligand})$ value of Jørgensen's formula $\Delta = f(\text{ligand}) \cdot g(\text{central ion})$,²⁾ but these are limited for non-mixed ligand complexes only. On the other hand, to predict the position of d–d absorption band of a mixed complex, Yamatera's δ parameters³⁾ have frequently been used, but they are also unsatisfactory because it has been reported that the Yamatera rule was not exactly fit for the mixed cyano complexes of cobalt(III)⁴⁾ and the mixed halogeno complexes of rhodium(III) or iridium(III).⁵⁾ In the present paper, a new quantitative scale will be proposed for the spectrochemical series of ligands in the mixed complexes of d⁶ metals, which enables us to predict the energy values of long wavelength d–d absorption bands of almost all the d⁶ complexes.

Results and Discussion

Spectrochemical Series of Ligands. The energies of three components of the first spin-allowed d–d absorption band of an octahedral complex $[\text{ML}_{(1)}\text{L}_{(2)}\text{L}_{(3)}\text{L}_{(4)}\text{L}_{(5)}\text{L}_{(6)}]$ (Fig. 1) may be written:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{xy} &= \alpha(d_2 + d_3 + d_4 + d_5)/4, \\ \sigma_{yz} &= \alpha(d_1 + d_2 + d_4 + d_6)/4, \\ \sigma_{zx} &= \alpha(d_1 + d_3 + d_5 + d_6)/4,\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

where d_n ($n=1,2,\dots,6$) is a parameter of the ligand $\text{L}_{(n)}$ previously defined⁶⁾ as δ and α a reduction parameter. Then it becomes,

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= (\sigma_{xy} + \sigma_{yz} + \sigma_{zx})/3 \\ &= \alpha(d_1 + d_2 + d_3 + d_4 + d_5 + d_6)/6,\end{aligned}\quad (2)$$

where σ is a mean energy of the first d–d absorption band. When $\alpha=1.00$, Eqs. 1 and 2 reduce to the

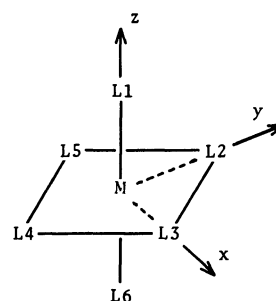


Fig. 1. An octahedral complex $[\text{ML}_{(1)}\text{L}_{(2)}\text{L}_{(3)}\text{L}_{(4)}\text{L}_{(5)}\text{L}_{(6)}]$.

Table 1. Empirical α Values for the Mixed Complexes $[\text{M a}_x\text{b}_{6-x}]$ of Holohedrized D_{4h} Symmetry^{a, b)}

a ^{d)}	b ^{d)}	M=Fe(II)	Co(III)	Rh(III)	Ir(III)	Pd(IV)	Pt(IV)
CN ⁻	<u>P, As</u>	—	0.98[0.96]	—	—	—	—
CN ⁻	<u>N</u>	0.90	0.955[0.91]	0.97	0.83	—	—
CN ⁻	<u>O</u>	—	0.94[0.88]	0.965	0.81	—	—
CN ⁻	Cl ⁻	—	0.935	0.95	0.80	—	0.67[0.64?]
CN ⁻	Br ⁻	—	0.93	0.92	0.77	—	—
CN ⁻	I ⁻	—	0.92	0.87	0.74	—	—
<u>P, As</u>	<u>O</u>	—	0.97[0.94]	—	—	—	—
<u>P, As</u>	Cl ⁻	0.90[0.80]	0.95[0.90]	0.94[0.88]	0.92[0.84]	—	—
<u>N</u>	Cl ⁻	—	0.98[0.96]	0.97[0.94]	0.96[0.92]	0.93[0.86]	0.92[0.84]
<u>N</u>	Br ⁻	—	0.965[0.93]	0.95[0.90]	0.93[0.86]	0.92[0.84]	0.81[0.79?]
<u>N</u>	I ⁻	—	0.96[0.92]	0.92[0.91?]	0.86[0.84?]	—	0.77
<u>O</u>	Cl ⁻	—	—	0.98[0.96]	0.98[0.96]	—	0.95[0.90]
<u>O</u>	Br ⁻	—	—	0.95[0.90]	—	—	—

a) The value in square brackets is for the complexes of *trans*- $[\text{M a}_4\text{b}_2]$ and $[\text{M a}_2\text{b}_4]$ types. b) As to the carbonyl complexes $[\text{M}(\text{CO})_x\text{X}_{6-x}]$ ($\text{X}=\text{N}, \text{O}, \text{Cl}^-, \text{Br}^-, \text{or I}^-$), $\alpha=0.86$ for $\text{M}=\text{V}(-\text{I}), 0.87$ Cr(0), 0.94 Mo(0), 0.90 W(0), 0.95 Mn(I), 0.91 Re(I), 0.93 Ru(II), and 0.90 Os(II). c) An element symbol underlined shows a ligating atom.

Yamatera rule^{3,6)} and the rule of average environment,⁷⁾ respectively. Most of the $\underline{N}, \underline{Q}$ -mixed⁶⁾ and all of the non-mixed complexes of low-spin d^6 type obey Eqs. 1 and 2 with $\alpha=1.00$, but the other mixed complexes, for example the mixed cyano complexes seem to have α values smaller than 1.00 as shown in Table 1, where α values are estimated empirically from a compilation of absorption data of a variety of d^6 complexes.

It has been found that only three different α values are sufficient for prediction of the first d-d band energies of a series of mixed complexes $[M a_x b_{6-x}]$ ($x=1-5$) except for *mer*- $[M a_3 b_3]$: one is for $[M a_5 b]$, *cis*- $[M a_4 b_2]$, *cis*- $[M a_2 b_4]$, and $[M a b_5]$, amounting to $1.00-\beta$ ($0 \leq \beta \leq 0.4$), and the second is for *trans*- $[M a_4 b_2]$ and $[M a_2 b_4]$, amounting to $1.00-2\beta$, and the third is for *fac*- $[M a_3 b_3]$, remaining to be 1.00. This fact means that the reduction parameter α is related to the order of lowering (from O_h to D_{4h}) of the holohedrized symmetry⁸⁾ of a given complex. It is remarkable that all tris-chelate complexes have $\alpha=1.00$ regardless of the ligating atoms.

The d value (in 10^3 cm^{-1}) of each ligand for different complexes of a given metal can be evaluated from the observed data of mean σ or its components σ_{xy} , σ_{yz} , or σ_{zx} using Eqs. 1 and 2. Of course the position of the first d-d band of a $[M a_6]$ -type is equal to the d value of the ligand a for that metal, because $\alpha=1.00$ in this case. For a bidentate ligand $A \sim B$, the d value can be defined as,

$$d < A \sim B >^n = (d < -A >^n + d < -B >^n) / 2, \quad (3)$$

where n means chelate ring size, for example $n=7$ for $d < \text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 >^7 = d < -\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 >^7$, and $n=6$ for $d < \beta\text{-ala} >^6 = d < \text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2^- >^6 = (d < -\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 >^6 + d < -\text{CO}_2^- >^6) / 2$. Besides the d values for different unidentate ligands, those of such chelate ends are also arranged in Table 2.

Table 2 gives d_{Co} values obtained for 100 ligands (or chelate ends) of cobalt(III) complexes, ranging from the highest value 35.0 for CO to the lowest value 7.0 for $<-\text{CH}_2\text{Se}^- >^5$, which is selenolato end of a bidentate ligand forming 5-membered chelate ring. In Table 3, σ_{obs} of the typical mixed cobalt(III) complexes are compared to σ_{calc} obtained from the d values in Table 2 by applying Eq. 1 or 2. The deviation Δ is generally within $\pm 2\%$.

Spectrochemical Series of Metals. For the metals (M) other than cobalt(III), a series of d_M can be obtained from the existing data. A plot of d_M versus d_{Co} makes a straight line passing the origin (Fig. 2):

$$d_M = m d_{Co}, \quad (4)$$

where m is the spectrochemical parameter for the metal M. The m values obtained from Eq. 4 are tabulated in Table 4. The m value can be correlated to the Jørgensen's g (central ion) value⁹⁾ (Fig. 3), while d_{Co} (and d_M also) to the Jørgensen's f (ligand) value⁹⁾ (Fig. 4).

Table 2. Spectrochemical Series of Ligands:^{a, b)} d_{Co} Values in 10^3 cm^{-1}

CO	35.0	$<\text{NH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2 >^5$	20.9	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{OH} >^5$	16.4	F ⁻	14.8
CN ⁻	32.1	$<\text{bgH} >^5$	20.9	$<\text{NO}_3^- >^4$	16.4	$<\text{R}_2\text{NCS}_2 >^4$	14.4
P(OMe) ₃	29.4	py	20.8	NCS ⁻	16.3	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{O}^- >^5$	14.4
$<-\text{CH}_2\text{SO}_2 >^5$	27.6	NH ₂ CHO	20.7	OCOCF ₃ ⁻	16.3	OP(OR) ₃	14.2
$<\text{Me}_2\text{PC}_6\text{H}_4\text{PMe}_2 >^5$	27.6	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 >^6$, tn	20.4	CH ₃ OH	16.2	OSMe ₂	14.0
$<-\text{CH}_2\text{PMe}_2 >^5$	26.0	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{SO}^- >^5$	20.2	$<\text{EtOCS}_2 >^4$	16.2	OCMe ₂	14.0
$<\text{Ph}_2\text{PC}_6\text{H}_4\text{PPh}_2 >^5$	25.6	NCNH ₂	20.2	OCOCHRNH ₃	16.1	CH ₃ SO ₃ ⁻	14.0
PMe ₃	25.6	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{NHMe} >^5$	20.0	$<\text{CS}_3^- >^4$	16.0	N ₃ ⁻	13.9
SO ₃ ²⁻	25.6	NH ₂ Me	20.0	OCOCCL ₃ ⁻	16.0	$<\text{PO}_4^{3-} >^4$	13.9
NO ₂ ⁻	25.3	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 >^7$	19.9	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{SeMe} >^5$	15.8	P ₂ O ₄ ⁴⁻	13.8
$<-\text{CH}_2\text{PMe}_2 >^6$	25.3	$<-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2 >^7$	19.3	NCO ⁻	15.8	OSeO ₂ ²⁻	13.8
PhSO ₂ ⁻	24.1	ONO ⁻	18.2	$<\text{P}_2\text{O}_7^{4-} >^6$	15.7	$<(\text{RO})_2\text{PS}_2 >^4$	13.55
$<\text{Me}_2\text{AsC}_6\text{H}_4\text{AsMe}_2 >^5$	23.6	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{SH} >^5$	17.9	$<\text{R}_2\text{NCS}_2 >^4$	15.6	CF ₃ SO ₃ ⁻	13.5
NCMe	23.5	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{SMe} >^5$	17.7	O ₂ ⁻	15.6	PO ₄ ³⁻	13.2
PPh ₃	23.2	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{SeO}^- >^5$	17.6	$<\text{CO}_3^{2-} >^4$	15.5	ReO ₄ ⁻	13.2
$<=\text{CHPPH}_2 >^5$	23.0	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{NHPh} >^5$	17.6	OCOMe ⁻	15.5	SCN ⁻	13.0
$<-\text{CH}_2\text{AsMe}_2 >^5$	23.0	$<\text{O}_2^{2-} >^3$	17.0	OH ⁻	15.4	$<\text{Me}_2\text{PS}_2 >^4$	12.75
NH ₂ OH	22.8	$<\text{RCS}_2 >^4$	16.95	OCO ₂ ²⁻	15.4	Cl ⁻	12.5
$<=\text{CHAsMe}_2 >^5$	22.7	$<\text{acac}^- >^6$	16.9	OCOCO ₂ ²⁻	15.4	SSO ₃ ²⁻	12.0
$<-\text{CH}_2\text{AsMe}_2 >^6$	22.4	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2 >^5$	16.8	OCONH ₂ ⁻	15.4	SeCN ⁻	11.8
$<\text{bpy} >^5$	22.2	NCSe ⁻	16.8	OCHNMe ₂	15.3	Br ⁻	11.7
$<\text{phen} >^5$	22.0	$<-\text{CO}_2^- >^5$, ox	16.6	NO ₃ ⁻	15.2	CrO ₄ ²⁻	11.1
$<-\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 >^5$, en	21.4	H ₂ O	16.5	OC(NH ₂) ₂	15.15	I ⁻	9.0
imH	21.2	$<\text{TeO}_6\text{H}_4^{2-} >^4$	16.5	$<\text{SO}_4^{2-} >^4$	15.0	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{S}^- >^5$	9.3—7.5 ^{c)}
NH ₃	21.0	$<-\text{CO}_2^- >^6$, mal	16.45	SO ₄ ²⁻	15.0	$<-\text{CH}_2\text{Se}^- >^5$	7.0

a) Abbreviations of ligands: acac, acetylacetonate $\text{CH}_3\text{COCHCOCH}_3^-$; bgH, biguanide $\text{NHC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NH}$; bpy, 2,2'-bipyridine $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2$; en, ethylenediamine $\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$; imH, imidazole $\text{C}_3\text{H}_4\text{N}_2$; mal, malonate $\text{CH}_2(\text{CO}_2)^{2-}$; ox, oxalate $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$; phen, 1,10-phenanthroline $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2$; py, pyridine $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5\text{N}$; tn, trimethylenediamine $\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$. For some frequently appearing ligands such as en, tn, ox, mal etc., the angle bracket with chelate ring size, $< >^n$, are omitted for convenience. b) An element symbol underlined shows a ligating atom. c) The d value of thiolato chelate end $<-\text{CH}_2\text{S}^- >^5$ is subject to some variation from complex to another (see Table 6).

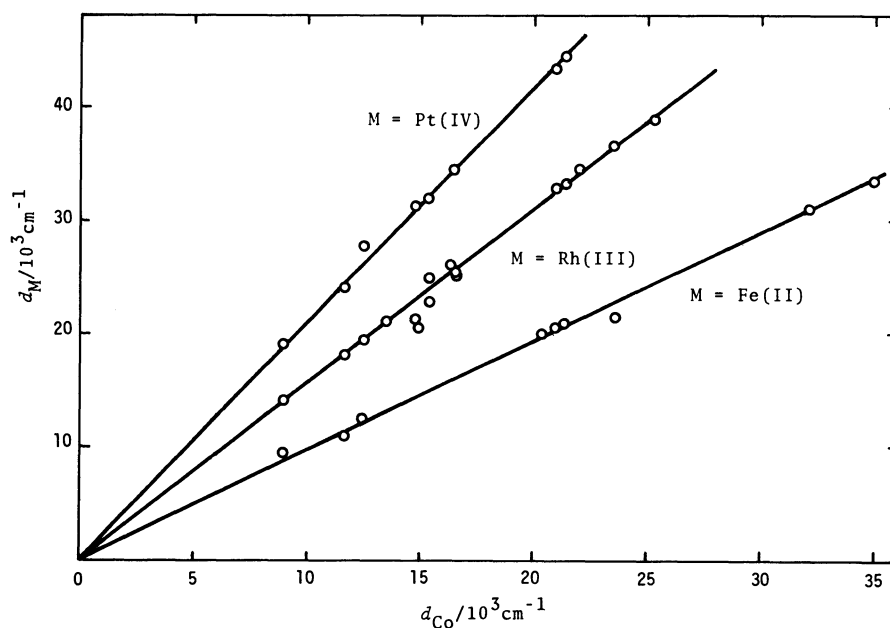
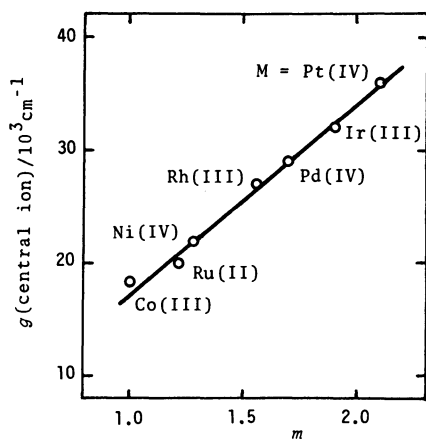
Table 3. Observed and Calculated First d-d Band Positions (10³ cm⁻¹) of the Typical Cobalt(III) Complexes

No.	Complex	σ_{obs}	$\sigma_{\text{calc}}^a)$	Eq.	α	$\Delta/\%$ ^{b)}	$d^c)$	Ref.
1	[Co(CO)(CN) ₅] ²⁻	32.6	32.58	(2)	1.00	-0.1	CO 35.0; CN ⁻ 32.1	10)
2	[Co(CN)(NH ₃) ₅] ²⁺	22.7	22.71	(1)	0.955	+0.0	CN ⁻ 32.1; NH ₃ 21.0	11)
3	<i>fac</i> -[Co(NH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ PMe ₂) ₃] ³⁺	23.70	23.70	(2)	1.00	0.0	<-CH ₂ PMe ₂ > ⁵ 26.0 ^{d)}	12)
4	<i>fac</i> -[Co(NH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂) ₃]	18.7	18.43	(2)	1.00	-1.4	tn 20.4; mal 16.45	13)
5	[Co(en) ₂ (CO ₃)] ⁺	19.5	19.43	(2)	1.00	-0.4	<CO ₃ ²⁻ > ⁴ 15.5	14)
6	[CoCl(NH ₃) ₅] ²⁺	18.65	18.50	(1)	0.98	-0.8	Cl ⁻ 12.5; NH ₃ 21.0	15)
7	<i>trans</i> -[CoCl ₂ (en) ₂] ⁺	16.3	16.27	(1)	0.96	-0.2	Cl ⁻ 12.5	16)
8	<i>cis</i> -[CoCl ₂ (en) ₂] ⁺	18.7	18.79	(1)	0.98	+0.5	Cl ⁻ 12.5	17)
9	[CoBr(CN) ₅] ³⁻	25.2	25.11	(1)	0.93	-0.4	Br ⁻ 11.7; CN ⁻ 32.1	18)
10	<i>trans</i> -[CoI ₂ (en) ₂] ⁺	14.0	13.98	(1)	0.92	-0.1	I ⁻ 9.0	19)

a) The position from Eq. 1 refers to the doubly degenerate component. b) $\Delta=100(\sigma_{\text{calc}}-\sigma_{\text{obs}})/\sigma_{\text{obs}}$. c) $d\langle\text{en}\rangle^5=d\langle-\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2\rangle^5=21.4$. d) $d\langle\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{PMe}_2\rangle^5=(d\langle-\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2\rangle^5+d\langle-\text{CH}_2\text{PMe}_2\rangle^5)/2=(21.4+26.0)/2=23.7$.

Table 4. Spectrochemical Series of Central Metals: Values of m Obtained from Eq. 4

V(-I)	0.715	Cr(0)	0.890	Mn(I)	0.945	Fe(II)	0.965	Co(III)	1.00	Ni(IV)	1.28
Nb(-I)	0.695	Mo(0)	0.875	Tc(I)	—	Ru(II)	1.22	Rh(III)	1.56	Pd(IV)	1.70
Ta(-I)	0.705	W(0)	0.910	Re(I)	1.16	Os(II)	1.43	Ir(III)	1.90	Pt(IV)	2.10

Fig. 2. Plots of d_M versus d_{Co} : $d_M = m d_{\text{Co}}$ for $M = \text{Fe(II)}$, Rh(III) , and Pt(IV) .Fig. 3. A plot of m versus g (central ion).

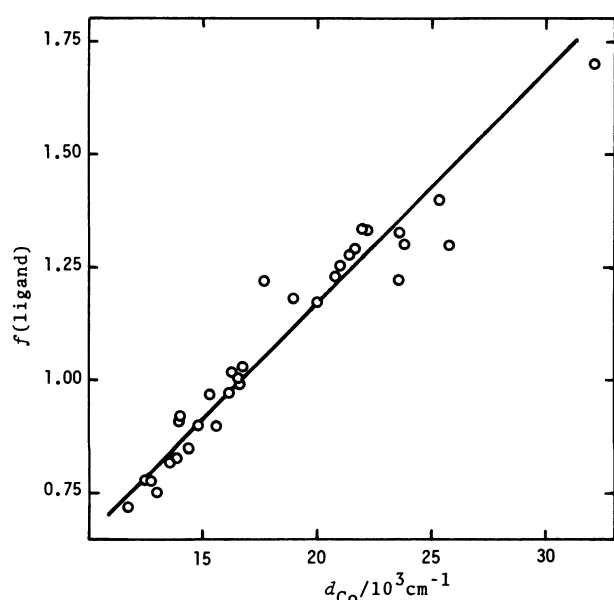
In Table 5, σ_{obs} of the typical d⁶ complexes are compared with σ_{calc} obtained from the d_{Co} and m values. The deviation Δ is generally within $\pm 3\%$.

S- or Se-Ligands. As is seen in Table 2, the sulfur-donor (or selenium-donor) ligands distribute widely along the spectrochemical series, where the thiolato (or selenolato) ligands being on the weakest end. Houlding et al.³⁴⁾ pointed out a striking characteristic of such thiolato (or selenolato) complexes of cobalt(III), i.e., that these have an extra shoulder band on the low-energy side of the first d-d absorption band. In Table 6, the splitting of the first d-d band of the thiolato (or selenolato), and the related S- (or Se-) ligands such as SCN⁻ and SSO₃²⁻ is interpreted by an assumption of anisotropy of the antibonding contribu-

Table 5. Observed and Calculated First d-d Band Positions (10^3 cm^{-1}) of the d^6 Metals except for Cobalt(III)

No.	Complex	$\sigma_{\text{obs}}^a)$	$\sigma_{\text{calc}}^b)$	Eq.	α	$\Delta/\%$ ^{c)}	d_M from Eq. 4	Ref.
11	$[\text{V}(\text{CO})_5(\text{NH}_3)]^-$	19.5	19.35	(1)	0.86	-0.8	CO 25.0; NH_3 15.0	(20)
12	$[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_4(\text{en})]$	23.6	23.61	(2)	0.87	+0.0	CO 31.2; en 19.0	(21)
13	$[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5\text{F}]^-$	23.0	23.23	(1)	0.87	+0.8	CO 31.2; F^- 13.2	(22)
14	$[\text{Mo}(\text{CO})_5(\text{NH}_3)]$	25.6	25.90	(1)	0.94	+1.0	CO 30.6; NH_3 18.4	(23)
15	$[\text{W}(\text{CO})_5(\text{OH})]^-$	24.0	24.68	(1)	0.90	+2.7	CO 31.9; OH^- 14.0	(22)
16	$[\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Cl}]$	26.5	26.39	(1)	0.95	-0.5	CO 33.1; Cl^- 11.8	(23)
17	$[\text{Re}(\text{CO})_5\text{Cl}]$	31.1	30.85	(1)	0.91	-0.7	CO 40.4; Cl^- 14.4	(23)
18	$[\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{CN})_5]^{3-}$	31.4	31.47	(2)	1.00	+0.2	CO 33.8; CN^- 31.0	(24)
19	$[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\text{en})]^{2-}$	25.6	25.58	(1)	0.90	-0.1	CN^- 31.0; en 20.7	(25)
20	$[\text{Ru}(\text{NH}_3)_5(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^{2+}$	24.1	24.23	(1)	1.00	+0.5	NH_3 25.6; H_2O 20.1	(26)
21	$[\text{Os}(\text{CO})(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{2+}$	31.6	31.52	(1)	0.90	-0.3	CO 50.1; NH_3 30.0	(27)
22	<i>trans</i> - $[\text{Rh}(\text{N}_3)_2(\text{en})_2]^+$	26.7	27.45	(1)	1.00	+2.8	en 33.3; N_3^- 21.6	(28)
23	<i>trans</i> - $[\text{RhCl}_2(\text{en})_2]^+$	24.6	24.77	(1)	0.94	+0.7	en 33.3; Cl^- 19.4	(5)
24	<i>cis</i> - $[\text{RhCl}_2(\text{en})_2]^+$	28.4	28.93	(1)	0.97	+1.9	en 33.3; Cl^- 19.4	(5)
25	<i>trans</i> - $[\text{IrCl}_2(\text{ox})_2]^{3-}$	27.2sh	26.50	(1)	0.96	-2.8	ox ²⁻ 31.5; Cl^- 23.7	(29)
26	<i>cis</i> - $[\text{IrCl}_2(\text{ox})_2]^{3-}$	27.8sh	28.32	(2)	0.98	+1.9	ox ²⁻ 31.5; Cl^- 23.7	(29)
27	$[\text{IrCl}_5(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^{2-}$	24.7	24.47	(2)	0.98	-0.9	H_2O 31.3; Cl^- 23.7	(29)
28	<i>trans</i> - $[\text{PdCl}_2(\text{en})_2]^{2+}$	24.6sh	24.81	(1)	0.86	+0.9	en 36.4; Cl^- 21.3	(30)
29	$[\text{PtCl}(\text{NH}_3)_5]^{3+}$	35.4	36.48	(1)	0.92	+3.1	NH_3 44.1; Cl^- 26.3	(31)
30	<i>trans</i> - $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{2+}$	29.9	29.57	(1)	0.84	-1.1	NH_3 44.1; Cl^- 26.3	(31)
31	<i>trans</i> - $[\text{PtCl}_4(\text{NH}_3)_2]$	29.4	29.57	(1)	0.84	+0.6	NH_3 44.1; Cl^- 26.3	(32)
32	$[\text{PtCl}_5(\text{NH}_3)]^-$	29.1	28.29	(1)	0.92	-2.8	NH_3 44.1; Cl^- 26.3	(33)

a) sh=shoulder band. b) The position from Eq. 1 refers to the doubly degenerate component. c) $\Delta=100(\sigma_{\text{calc}}-\sigma_{\text{obs}})/\sigma_{\text{obs}}$.

Fig. 4. A plot of d_{Co} versus f (ligand).

tion of S (or Se) donor atoms, and then the $d_{(\text{S})}$ parameter is written as:

$$d_{(\text{S})} = (d_{(\text{S})//} + d_{(\text{S})\perp})/2. \quad (5)$$

Thus, in a CoN_5S -type complex containing the thiolato-like S atom, the three σ components are expressed by $\alpha d_{(\text{N})}$, $\alpha(3d_{(\text{N})} + d_{(\text{S})//})/4$, and $\alpha(3d_{(\text{N})} + d_{(\text{S})\perp})/4$. If the S atom is no more anisotropic, the latter two components combine to give a degenerate one $\alpha(3d_{(\text{N})} + d_{(\text{S})})/4$. In the case of complexes Nos. 35–37,

the component at longer wavelength is observed as a shoulder, and the next peak observed is an overlap of the two components at shorter wavelength.

Mixed Cyano Complexes. An empirical rule of Shimura,^{39,40} which states that, for the first d-d bands of *cis* and *trans* isomers of $[\text{M} a_4b_2]$ of a d^6 metal M, $\Delta\sigma = \sigma(\text{cis}) - \sigma(\text{trans}) < 0$ if b is ahead of a in the spectrochemical series, while $\Delta\sigma > 0$ if b is behind a, suffers from a few exceptions. An example is the isomers of $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_2(\text{NH}_3)_4]^+$ which show $\Delta\sigma_{\text{obs}} = +1.4$. By the present introduction of reduction parameter α , however, most of the exceptions can be explained reasonably because the different α values are assigned to the geometrical isomers (Table 7).

The introduction of the parameter α has also improved the predicted values of σ for a variety of mixed cyano complexes, which were heretofore regarded as serious exception of the Yamatera rule⁴⁾ (see complexes Nos. 2, 9, 19, and 38–43 in Tables 3, 5, and 7). Fujinami et al.⁴¹⁾ proposed an angular overlap treatment taking into account of (i) mixing of 3d orbitals with 4s and 4p by the lowering of symmetry in the mixed complexes and (ii) a configuration interaction between excited states, these factors being probably in line with the present introduction of empirical parameter α .

Mixed Halogeno Complexes. Ogino and Bailar⁹⁾ pointed out that there were big discrepancies between the predicted and the observed σ values of mixed halogeno complexes of rhodium(III) and iridium(III), when the predicted value was calculated from the d values obtained from the observed σ value of non-mixed halogeno complexes. Such discrepancies,

Table 6. Anisotropic *d* Parameters of the Thiolato-Like S- or Se-Ligands

No.	Complex	$\sigma_{\text{obs}}^{\text{a)}$	σ_{calc}	Eq.	α	$\Delta/\%$ ^{b)}	<i>d</i> (S or Se)	Ref.
33	[Co(SCN)(NH ₃) ₅] ²⁺	17.8sh 19.5	17.76 ^{c)} 19.48 ^{d)}	(1) (1)	0.98 0.98	-0.2 -0.1	9.5 16.5} SCN ⁺ 13.0	35)
34	[Co(SSO ₃)(NH ₃) ₅] ⁺	17sh 19.6	17.03 ^{c)} 19.72 ^{d)}	(1) (1)	0.98 0.98	+0.2 +0.6	6.5 17.5} SSO ₃ ²⁻ 12.0	36)
35	[Co(SCH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂)(en) ₂] ²⁺	16.7sh 20.72	16.70 ^{c)} 20.73 ^{d)}	(1) (1)	1.00 1.00	0.0 +0.0	2.6 16.0} <-CH ₂ S-> ⁵ 9.3	37)
36	[Co(SCH ₂ CO ₂)(en) ₂] ⁺	16.2sh 19.3	16.20 ^{c)} 19.33 ^{d)}	(1) (1)	1.00 1.00	0.0 0.0	5.4 9.6} <-CH ₂ S-> ⁵ 7.5	37)
37	[Co(SeCH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂)(en) ₂] ²⁺	16.5sh 20.4	16.45 ^{c)} 20.28 ^{d)}	(1) (1)	1.00 1.00	-0.3 -0.3	1.6 12.4} <-CH ₂ Se-> ⁵ 7.0	38)

a) sh=shoulder band. b) $\Delta=100(\sigma_{\text{calc}}-\sigma_{\text{obs}})/\sigma_{\text{obs}}$. c) The non-degenerate component. d) A mean of the two shorter wavelength components.

Table 7. Geometrical Isomers of the Mixed Cyano Complexes

No.	Complex	σ_{obs}	σ_{calc}	Eq.	α	$\Delta/\%$ ^{a)}	$\Delta\sigma_{\text{obs}}^{\text{b)}$	$\Delta\sigma_{\text{calc}}^{\text{b)}$	Ref.
38	<i>cis</i> -[Co(CN) ₄ (NH ₃) ₂] ⁻	28.0	28.01	(1)	0.955	+0.0	+3.8	+3.85	11)
39	<i>trans</i> -[Co(CN) ₄ (NH ₃) ₂] ⁻	24.2	24.16	(1)	0.91	-0.2			
40	<i>cis</i> -[Co(CN) ₂ (NH ₃) ₄] ⁺	25.3	25.36 ^{c)}	(1)	0.955	+0.2	+1.4	+1.2	4)
41	<i>trans</i> -[Co(CN) ₂ (NH ₃) ₄] ⁺	23.9	24.16	(1)	0.91	+1.1			
42	<i>cis</i> -[Co(CN) ₂ (en) ₂] ⁺	24.7	25.55 ^{c)}	(1)	0.955	+3.4	+0.3	+1.2	4)
43	<i>trans</i> -[Co(CN) ₂ (en) ₂] ⁺	24.4	24.34	(1)	0.91	-0.2			

a) $\Delta=100(\sigma_{\text{calc}}-\sigma_{\text{obs}})/\sigma_{\text{obs}}$. b) $\Delta\sigma=\sigma(\text{cis})-\sigma(\text{trans})$. c) The shorter wavelength non-degenerate component.

however, have disappeared in the present treatment with α , as is seen in complexes Nos. 23—27 in Table 5.

For the halogeno rhodium(III), iridium(III), and platinum(IV) complexes of the *trans* type, some irregularities were found in the empirical α values in Table 1. The α value for the *trans* isomer (in bracket in Table 1) is nearly equal to or only a little smaller than that for the *cis* isomer in the case of [Rh(N)_xI_{6-x}]-, [Ir(N)_xI_{6-x}]-, [Pt(CN)_xCl_{6-x}]-, and [Pt(N)_xBr_{6-x}]-type of complexes. The reason may be found in the strong spin-orbit coupling in such complexes.

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