

Separated observation of Jahn-Teller and lattice distortion in thermal structural changes of copper(II) complexes (in 2009)

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Introduction

A chiral complex, $[\text{Cu}(\text{chxn})_2][\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (chxn = (*1R*, *2R*)-diaminocyclohexane) had a long axial Cu-N bond of 3.120(8) Å [1] and also exhibited negative thermal elongation associated with this long Cu-N bond. In order to elucidated appropriate factors about crystal packing to observe lattice and Jahn-Teller distortion separately, we measured variable temperature XRD patterns for some cases : <1> $[\text{Cu}(\text{chxn})_2][\text{M}(\text{CN})_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (M=Pd and Pt) [2, 3] to compare ion size; <2> $[\text{Cu}(\text{NEten})_2][\text{M}(\text{CN})_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (NEten = *N*-ethylethylenediamine) for combinatorial preparations by using M=Ni, Pd, and Pt to test suitable ion size; <3> $[\text{Cu}(\text{Mechxn})_2]_3[\text{M}(\text{CN})_6]_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Mechxn = (*1R*, *2R*)-*N,N'*-dimethyldiaminocyclohexane; M=Cr, Co, and Fe) by using different water of isotopes (¹H₂O, ²H₂O, and H₂¹⁸O) for isotope effect on intermolecular hydrogen bonds.

Experimental section

Preparation

Slow diffusion of aqueous solution (10 mL) of $[\text{CuL}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2](\text{NO}_3)_2$ (0.1 mmol) onto aqueous solution (10 mL) of $\text{K}_2[\text{Pd}(\text{CN})_4]$ (0.1 mmol) gave rise to blue plate-like single crystals of $[\text{Cu}(\text{chxn})_2][\text{Pd}(\text{CN})_4]$ at 298 K [3]. The rest of samples were prepared similar way by employing the corresponding ligands (L), cyanide precursors, and water of isotopes.

X-ray Crystallography

Powder XRD patterns of the complexes were measured at BL-8B (8 keV, $\lambda = 1.54$ Å) at 100-300 K.

Results and discussion

For example, XRD patterns at 100-300 K of $[\text{Cu}(\text{chxn})_2][\text{Pd}(\text{CN})_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ are shown in Figure 1. It suggested that the crystal lattice exhibited positive thermal expansion isotropically. Moreover, the magnitude of peak shift due to 100 K temperature change is almost comparable to substitution of Pd(II) to Pt(II) ion. Therefore, the novel negative thermal elongation of long axial Cu-N of Jahn-Teller distortion observed in 2008 may be attributed to unique crystal packing of $[\text{Cu}(\text{chxn})_2][\text{M}(\text{CN})_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

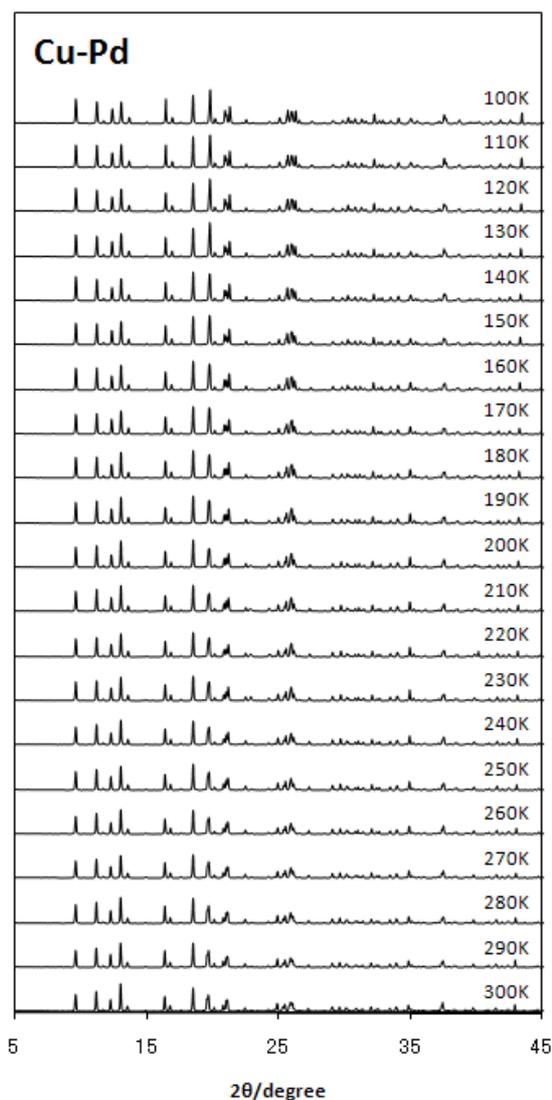


Figure 1: XRD patterns of $[\text{Cu}(\text{chxn})_2][\text{Pd}(\text{CN})_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

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