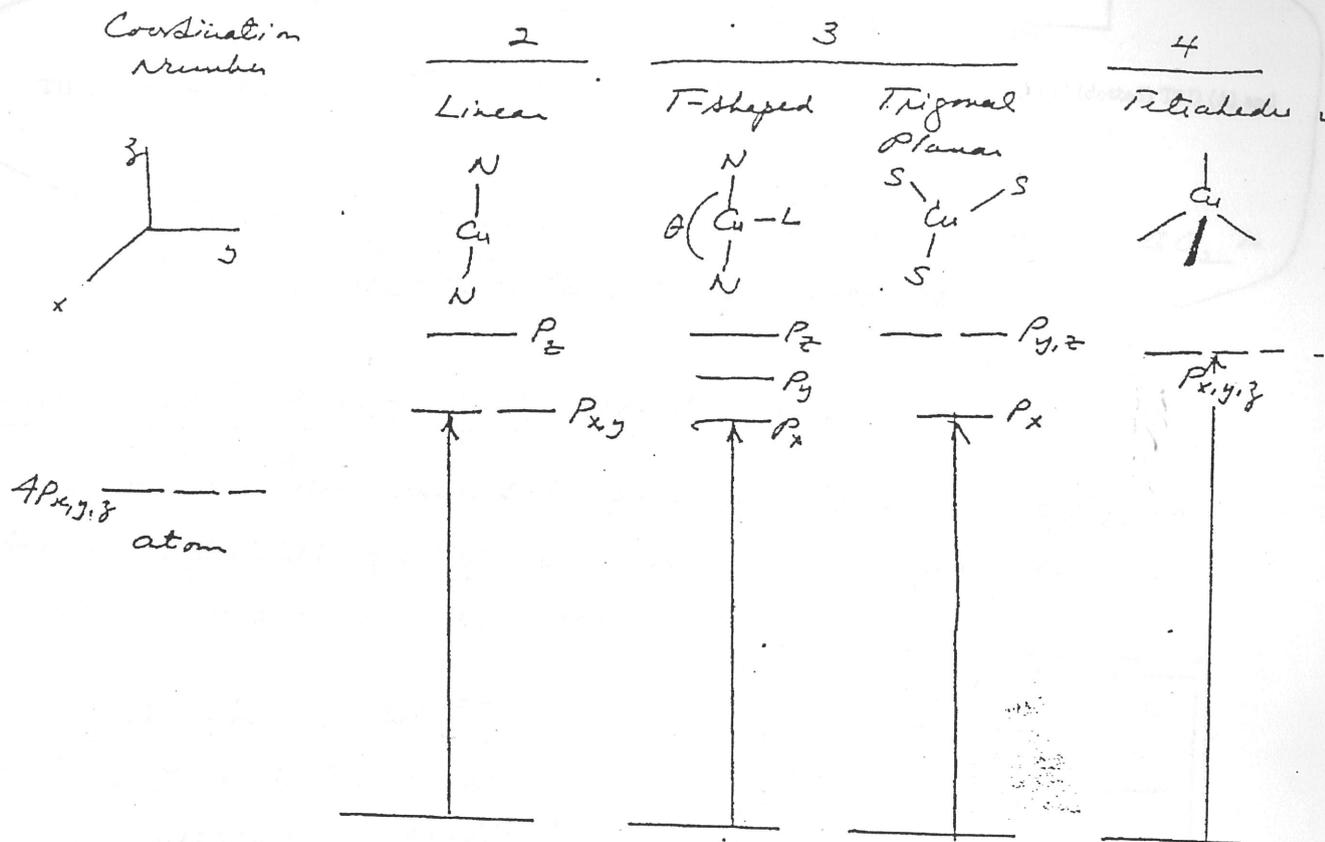


Application of the crystal field theory

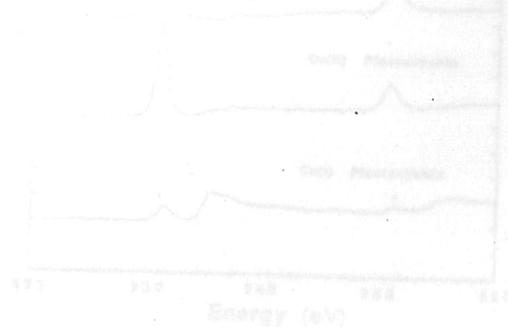
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The positions of the "pre-edge" peak at 8985 eV for the various Cu(I) complexes are in general accord with the prediction of ligand field splitting of copper 4p orbitals as a function of site geometry

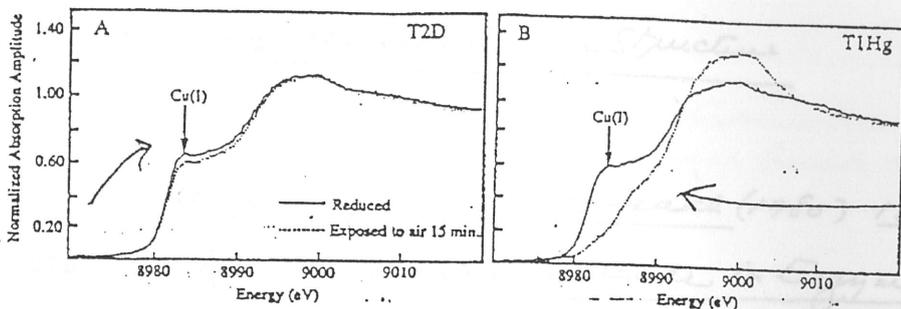


Assignment of 8985 eV "pre-edge" maximum in Cu(I) complexes

however, should include hybridization of 4s + 4p orbitals



Application of these results to laccase



O₂ reactivity of laccase derivatives. X-ray absorption edges of fully reduced (solid) and air-exposed (dotted) T2D (A) and T1Hg (B) laccase derivatives.

- a) Evidence that T3 center is Cu(I) and does not react with O₂ in T2D laccase
- b) Evidence that T3 center in T1Hg reacts with O₂

A recent application of L-edge spectroscopy

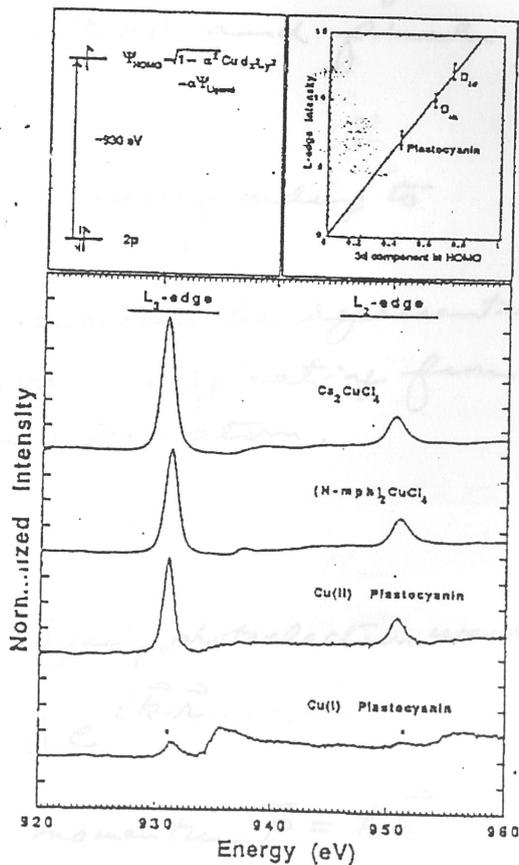
Ledges in copper complexes correspond to $2p^6 3d^9 \rightarrow 2p^5 3d^{10}$ transitions of Cu(II); for Copper(I) complex, they correspond to $2p^6 3d^{10} \rightarrow 2p^5 3d^{10} 4s^1$ (weaker)

L-edge spectra for D_{2d} CuCl₄²⁻, D_{4h} CuCl₄²⁻ and blue copper site in plastocyanin (oxidized and reduced).

Intensity of edge absorption should be proportional to $1-d^2$, the $3d_{x^2-y^2}$ character in the half-occupied HOMO

$$\psi_{HOMO} = \sqrt{1-d^2} Cu d_{x^2-y^2} - d \phi_{ligand}$$

Ref S. J. George, M. D. Lowery, E. I. Solomon + S. P. Cramer, JACS (1993)



EXAFS \equiv Extended X-ray Absorption Fine Structure

References:

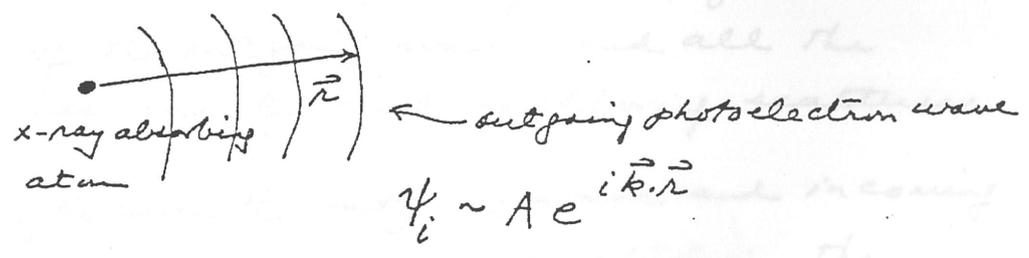
Rom-Keng Teo, Accounts of Chemical Research (1980) 13, 412-419;
Sunney I. Cha and Ronald C. Gamble, Methods in Enzymology,
Vol. LIV, 323-345 (1978).

EXAFS refers to the sinusoidal variation of the X-ray absorption as a function of photon energy beyond an absorption edge; arise from constructive and destructive interference between outgoing photoelectron wave and incoming electron wave back scattered from neighboring atoms.

Probability that an X-ray photon will be absorbed by a core electron depends on both the initial and final states of the electron

Initial state: localized core level corresponding to the absorption edge.

Final state: ejected photoelectron can be represented by an outgoing spherical wave originating from X-ray absorbing atom, if it is a free atom.



where $\vec{k} \equiv$ wave vector. Recall momentum $\vec{p} = \hbar \vec{k}$

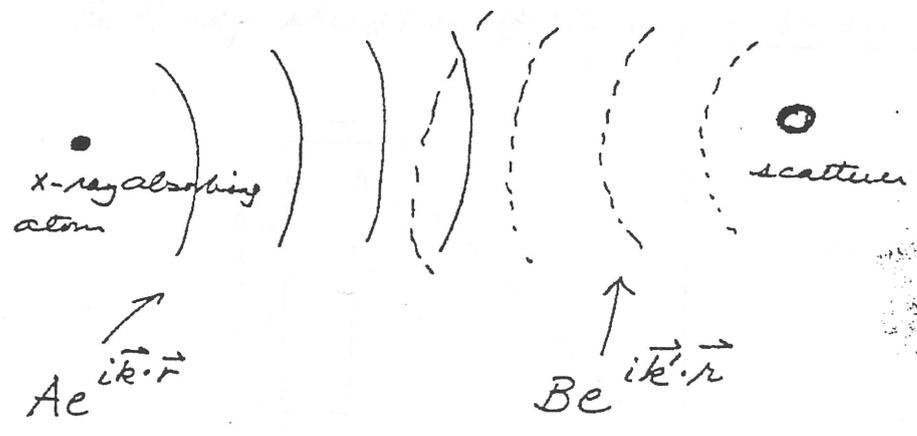
Since $p^2 = \hbar^2 k^2 = 2m_e (E - E_0)$

where $E =$ energy of X-ray photon

$E_0 =$ dissociation energy for electron
(critical energy necessary to free bound electron)

$$|k| = \left[\frac{2m_e (E - E_0)}{\hbar^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

However, if absorbing atom is surrounded by a neighboring atom, the outgoing photoelectron wave will be backscattered by the neighboring atom, producing an incoming electron wave. Final state is then the sum of the outgoing and the incoming wave



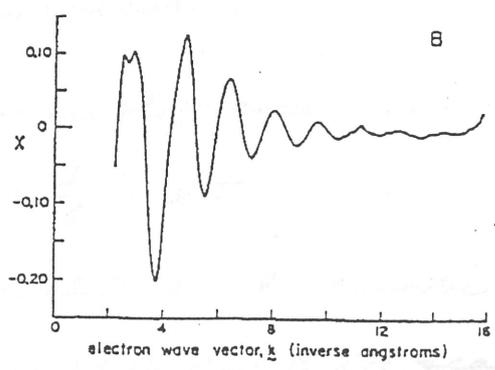
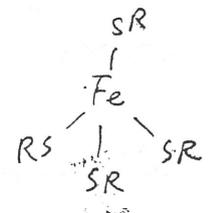
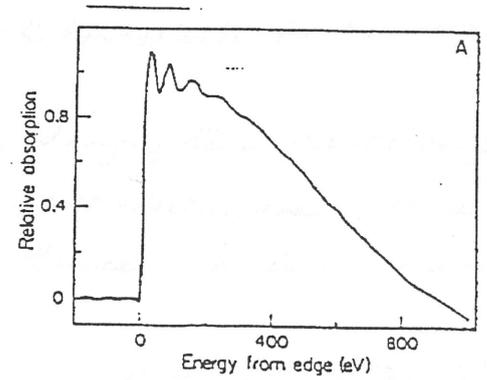
$$\psi_f \sim \underbrace{Ae^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} + Be^{i\vec{k}'\cdot\vec{r}}}$$

If there are more than 1 neighboring atoms, final state is the sum of the outgoing wave and all the incoming waves, one for each neighboring scatterer.

Interference between the outgoing wave and incoming wave(s) give rise to sinusoidal variation in the absorption coefficient vs E (energy of X-ray photon) \Rightarrow EXAFS

This modulation of the absorption coefficient should depend on the nature of the scatterer(s), i.e., element, its charge etc., as well as its distance away from the X-ray absorbing atom (R). So EXAFS offers complementary information about a metal site, when applied to metalloproteins. Whereas the absorption edge (and XANES) is often useful in ascertaining the oxidation state, degree of covalency, the symmetry of the metal center as well as the nature of the surrounding ligands, the distance between the metal center and ligand atoms may be obtained from analysis of EXAFS.

Example Fe K-edge absorption spectrum of rubredoxin



Fe K-edge absorption spectrum of rubredoxin. In (A), the absorption vs. X-ray energy is presented. These data have been corrected for absorption from other components (see text for details). In (B) the unnormalized EXAFS contribution, χ , is shown as a function of the wave vector, k . [Courtesy of D. Sayers and B. Bunker, University of Washington, Seattle (1976) (unpublished).]

Theory of EXAFS

$$\chi(k) = \sum_j N_j \cdot \underbrace{F_j(k)}_{\text{momentum}} \cdot \underbrace{e^{-2\sigma_j^2 k^2}}_{\text{back scattering}} \cdot \frac{e^{-2k_j/\lambda}}{k r_j^2} \cdot \sin(2k r_j + \phi_j(k))$$

absorption coefficient

where $F_j(k) \equiv$ backscattering amplitude from each of the N_j neighboring atoms of type j

$N_j \equiv$ number of neighboring atoms of type j

$\sigma_j \equiv$ Debye-Waller factor which accounts for thermal vibrations and possible static disorder (distribution of distances)

$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_{\text{stat}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{vib}}^2$$

static cofactor \uparrow temperature dependence

low Debye-Waller factor \Rightarrow stronger EXAFS

$e^{-2k_j/\lambda} =$ damping term describing decay of the photoelectron wave due to inelastic scattering losses; λ is the mean free path of electron

$r_j =$ distance of the j^{th} atom from the absorbing atom (absorber)

$$\phi_j^{\ell} \equiv \text{total phase shift experienced by the photoelectron}$$

$$= \phi_a^{\ell} + \phi_e - \ell \pi$$

$\phi_a^{\ell} =$ phase shift due to absorber

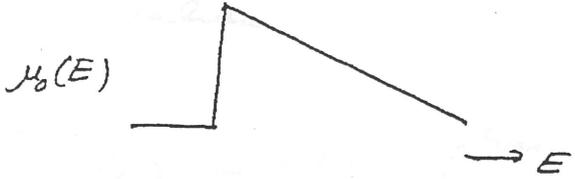
$\phi_e =$ phase shift due to j^{th} scattering

and $\ell = 1$ for K edge; $\ell = 2$ for L_{II} and L_{III} edges
 $L_{I}(2s)$ $(2p_{1/2})$ $(2p_{3/2})$

$\chi(E) \approx \chi(k)$ = oscillatory part of absorption in EXAFS region.

$$\chi(E) = \chi(k) = \frac{\mu(E) - \mu_0(E)}{\mu_0(E)}$$

where $\mu_0(E)$ = smooth "background" absorption coefficient.



$$\text{Recall } |k| = \left[\frac{2m_e(E-E_0)}{\hbar^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

Because EXAFS signal is a very small part of the total signal, the above simple subtraction of a fitted curve from above the EXAFS region is not adequate. A Fourier filtering technique is typically used in conjunction with the subtraction. In this procedure, the large sawtooth-like function from the K-edge absorption is first removed by subtracting a straight line, obtained from the first and last data points of the EXAFS region. The energy points on the abscissa are then converted to momentum, or $|k|$ space. The resultant data are then transformed ~~into~~ into coordinate space, and back into $|k|$ space using various Fourier windows. This procedure eliminates or suppresses contributions from remnants of the smoothly varying K-edge (~~low~~ low frequency), EXAFS (intermediate frequencies), and random and instrumental noise (broad spectrum).

$$\Phi(r) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right)^{1/2} \int_{k_{min}}^{k_{max}} \frac{\mu^{(k)}(E) - \mu_0^{(k)}(E)}{\mu_0^{(k)}(E)} e^{i2kr} dk$$

or

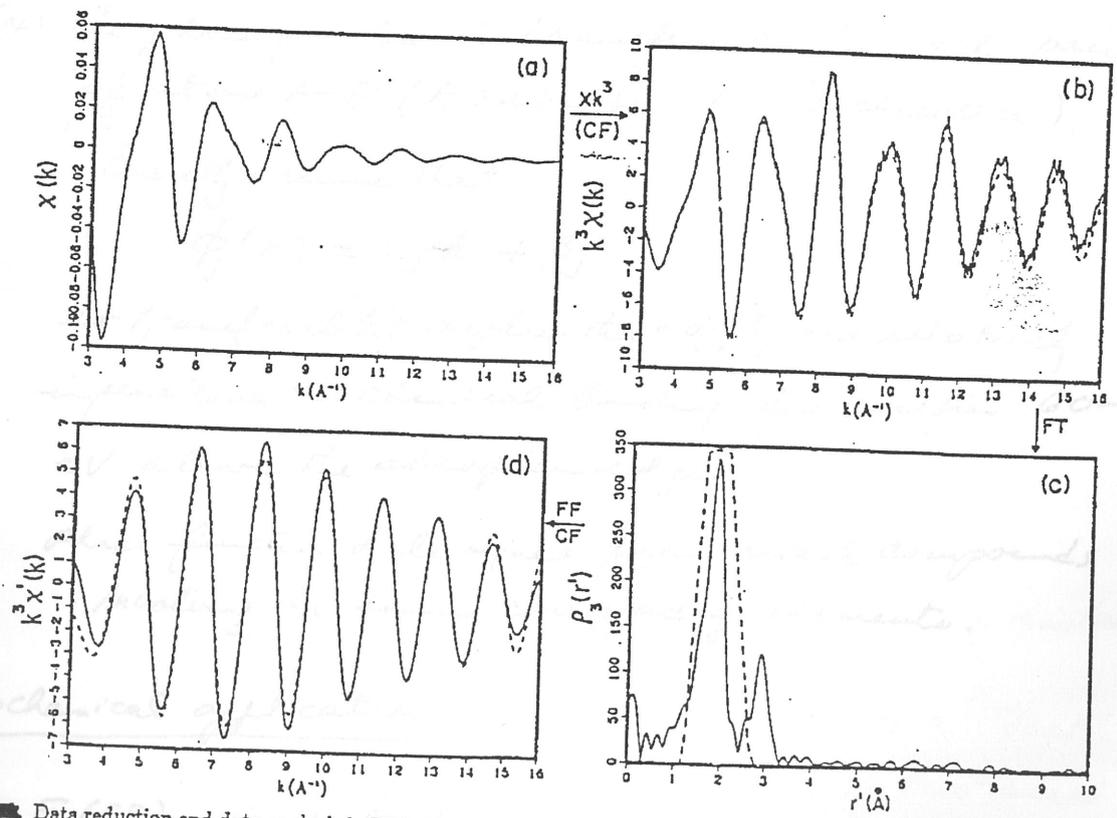
$$\phi'(r) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \int_{k_{min}}^{k_{max}} k^3 \cdot \frac{\mu(k) - \mu_0(k)}{\mu_0(k)} \cdot e^{i2kr} dk$$

to compensate for diminishing amplitudes at high $|k|$ values and to give more weight to data at high $|k|$ values.

$$\chi(k) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \int_{r_{min}}^{r_{max}} (\phi(r) \text{ or } \phi'(r)) e^{-i2kr} dr$$

Example

momentum
to space



Data reduction and data analysis in EXAFS spectroscopy: (a) EXAFS spectrum $\chi(k)$ vs. k after background removal; (b) the solid curve is the weighted EXAFS spectrum $\chi(k)k^3$ vs. k after multiplying $\chi(k)$ by k^3 . The dashed curve represents an attempt to fit the data with a two-distances model by curve-fitting (CF) technique; (c) Fourier transformation (FT) of the weighted EXAFS spectrum in momentum (k) space into the radial distribution function $\rho_3(r')$ vs. r' in distance space, r' is related to the true distance r by a "phase shift" $\alpha = r - r'$. The dashed curve is the window function used to filter the major peak in Fourier filtering (FF); (d) Fourier-filtered EXAFS spectrum $\chi'(k)k^3$ vs. k (solid curve) of the major peak in (c) after backtransforming into k space. The dashed curve attempts to fit the filtered data with a single-distance model.

Assumptions

- (1) Short-range single-electron single-scattering, i.e., the single photoelectron ejected from an absorbing atom makes a single round trip from the absorber to its nearby scatterer lying within a short distance ($\sim 4\text{\AA}$) range from the absorber.
- (2) EXAFS is a simple sum of waves due to various types of neighboring atoms (this implies that multiple scattering is relatively ^{not} important).
- (3) The amplitude function is transferable for each type of backscatterer B
- (4) The phase function is transferable for each pair of atoms A-B (A \equiv absorber; B \equiv backscatterer)

Generally assume that

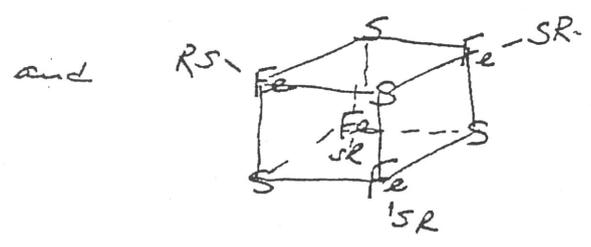
$$\phi_j(k) = \alpha_j k + \beta_j$$

so transferability implies that α_j, β_j are relatively insensitive to chemical bonding for energies 60-1000 eV above the absorption edges.

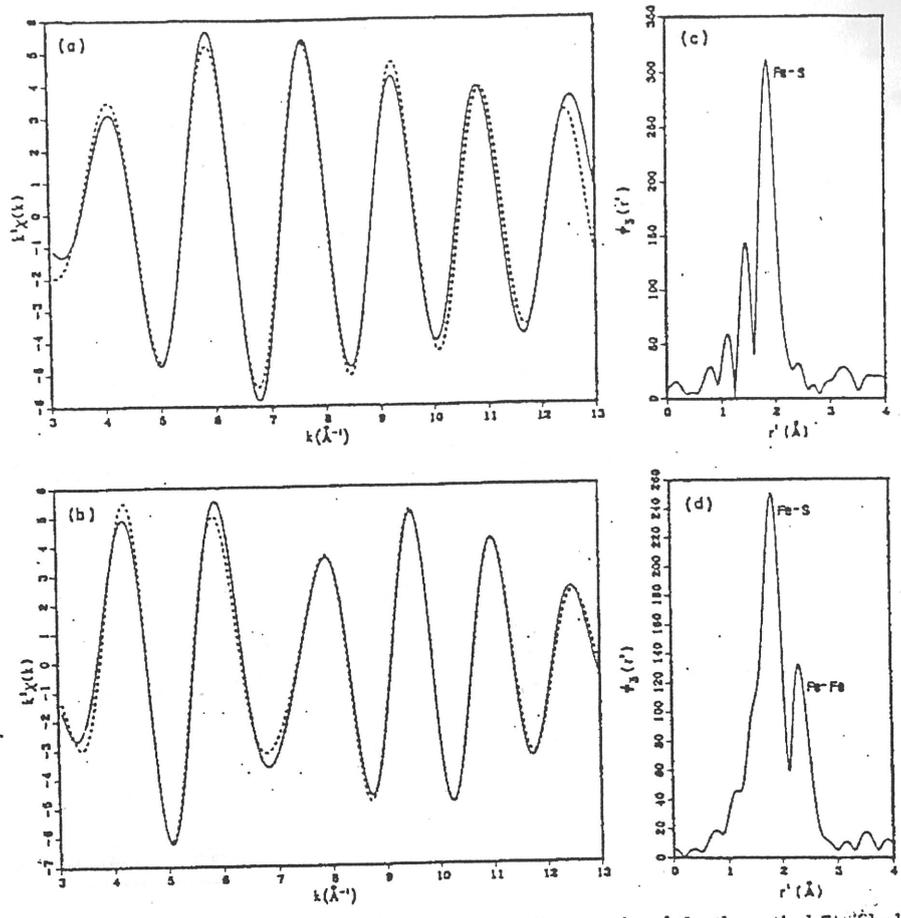
Phase function determined from model compounds involving the same corresponding elements.

Biochemical application

$\text{Fe}(\text{SR})_4$ in rubredoxin



"beat"
 two steel
 The
 which reflect the shape
 frequency at high k
 only the longer Fe-Fe bond



Fourier filtered (window: $r' = 0.9 \sim 3.5 \text{\AA}$) EXAFS spectra (solid curves) and the theoretical fits (dashed curves) for (a) single-shell systems such as rubredoxin and (b) two-shell systems such as bacteria ferredoxin. In (a) a single term containing the average Fe-S distance was used whereas in (b) two terms containing the average Fe-S and Fe-Fe distances were used. The corresponding Fourier transforms of the $k^2\chi(k)$ vs. k data are shown in (c) and (d), respectively. The minor peaks to the left of the Fe-S peak are due to residual background and/or Fourier truncation.

Rubredoxin: monomeric $\text{Fe}(\text{SR})_4$

Amplitude envelope varies smoothly with k
 indicative of a single shell with one type of distance.

Ferredoxin: tetramer oligomer exhibits a "beat"

node at $k \approx 7 \text{\AA}^{-1}$, characteristic of two-shell systems with two types of distances. The frequency at lower k region, which reflects the shorter Fe-S bonds, is lower than the frequency at higher k region, which is indicative of the longer Fe-Fe bond.

Fourier transform of $X(k)k^3$ data reveal for the monomer one peak; but two peaks for the oligomers (also for the two Fe two S plant ferredoxin) $Fe_2S_2(SR)_4$.

The major peak can be assigned to the Fe-S bonds while the minor peak in each oligomer can be assigned to the Fe-Fe bond(s).

Note that $\phi(r)$ peaks at $r = R_j - \alpha_j$, so that to obtain R_j , α_j must be known

Debye Waller factor for pleredoxin: small

$\sigma_{stat} \Rightarrow$ Fe-S bonds are chemically equivalent to within 0.04 \AA .

Effect of reduction

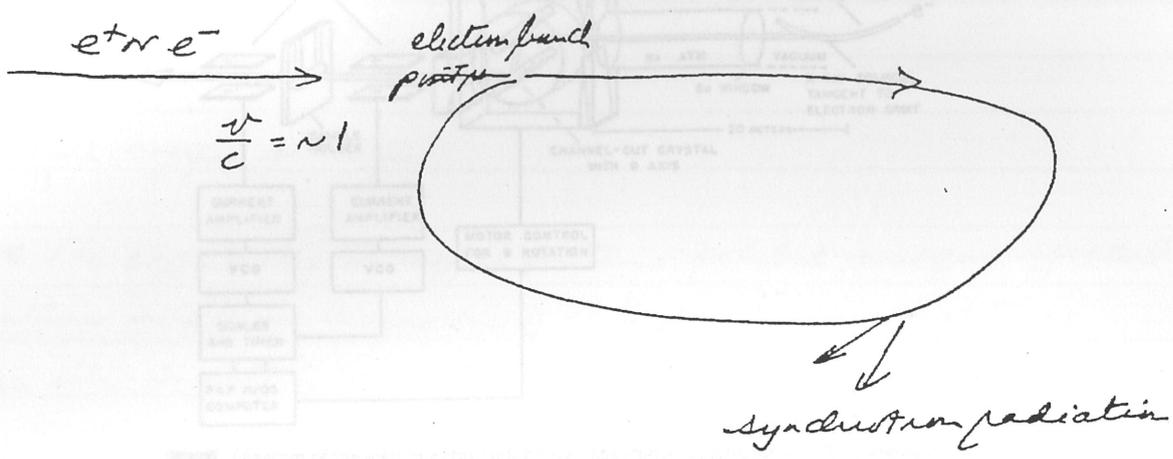
Fe-S increases by 0.06 \AA upon reduction in pleredoxin; whereas lengthening of Fe-S and Fe-Fe bonds in oligomer upon reduction was quite small.

($\Delta r \leq 0.03 \text{ \AA}$)

Synchrotron Radiation

To carry out the above experiments, need a source of tunable X-ray photons of high fluxes. The use of synchrotron radiation has met this need.

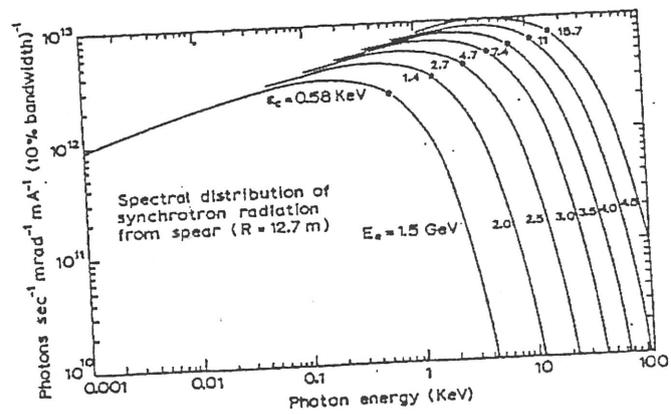
Origin of synchrotron radiation



Positron - Electron Accelerator Ring (Storage Ring)

out-of-date
already

Nowadays
~ 10¹⁸ photons
sec⁻¹ rad⁻¹
mA⁻¹



or ~ 10⁸ obtainable over conventional X-ray sources.

Energy is not radiated continuously, but has a time structure:
a single bunch of electrons orbits the storage ring 10⁶ times/sec.
and the entire group passes a point in the orbit in ~ 0.1
nsec. Radiation highly collimated and plane polarized in
plane of electron orbit.

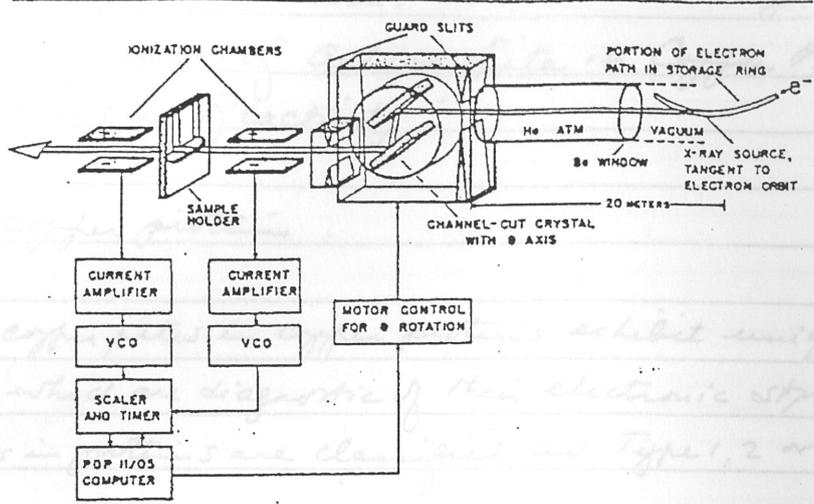


Diagram of the instrumentation for X-ray absorption spectroscopy. The drawing is not to proportion, as the storage ring is much larger than shown.

The copper... exhibit unique spectral features with... electronic structures. Copper sites... are classified as Type 1, 2 or 3

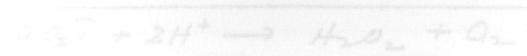
Type 2

Type 3

(...)

monooxygenase

monooxygenase



factor 6-hydroxydopa (5HT)



→ noradrenaline + dehydroascorbate



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"Electronic Structures of Active Sites in Copper Proteins: Contributions to Reactivity"

Begin with copper proteins.

~~Some~~ The copper sites in copper proteins exhibit unique spectral features which are diagnostic of their electronic structures.

Copper sites in proteins are classified as Type 1, 2 or 3

Type 2 normal copper sites (tetragonal)

Type 1 blue site

Type 3 dinuclear copper site (capped)

Type 2

- | | | | |
|----|---------------------------------|-----|----------------------|
| ex | Cu, Zn SOD | (1) | |
| | diamine oxidases | (2) | |
| | dopamine β -monooxygenase | (3) | <u>monooxygenase</u> |
| | galactose oxidase | (4) | |
| | phenylalanine hydroxylase | (5) | <u>monooxygenase</u> |
| | neurocyprin | (6) | |

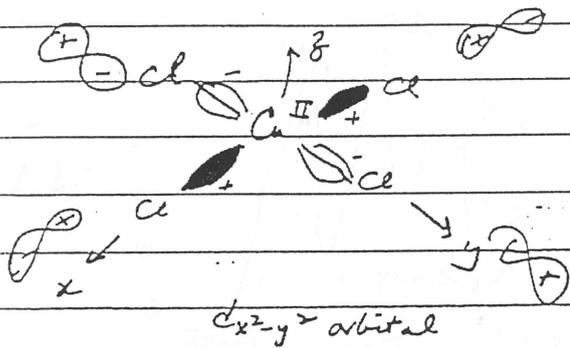
MW
subunit # of Cu

- | | | | |
|-----|----------------|--------|--|
| (1) | 31 kDa, d_2 | 2 | $2O_2 + 2H^+ \rightarrow H_2O_2 + O_2$ |
| (2) | 160-200, d_2 | 2 | $R'CH_2NR_2 + O_2 + H_2O \rightarrow R'CHO + HNR_2$
cofactor 6-hydroxydopa (TOPA) |
| (3) | 290, d_4 | 4 or 8 | dopamine + ascorbate + O_2
\rightarrow noradrenaline + dehydroascorbate |
| (4) | 32 kDa | 1 | $RCH_2OH + O_2 \xrightarrow{+H_2O} RCHO + H_2O_2$ |

(5) 68 kDa, -1 phenylalanine + O₂ → tyrosine + H₂O
 cofactor tetrahydropterin

(6) 9 kDa -1 adrenaline / adrenochrome equilibrium

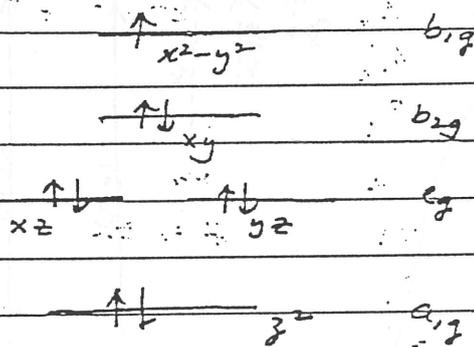
model cyclic complex



D_{4h} square planar CuCl₄²⁻

z ⊥ tetragonal plane
 equatorial plane

Ligand-field splitting of d orbitals in D_{4h} symmetry



²B_{1g} ground state

if start with O_h
 (t_{2g})⁶(e_g)³ gives
 e_g ground state
 for Cu²⁺ complex
 but Jahn-Teller
 distortion leads
 to tetragonal
 distortion along z
 axis resulting in
 4 high bond
 ligands

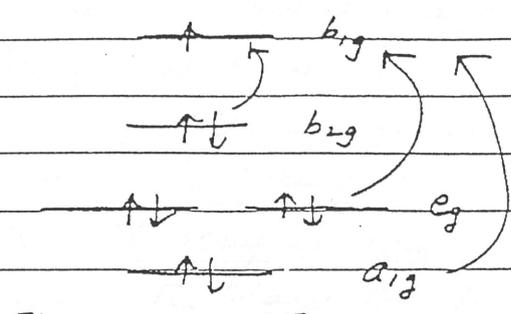
According to SCF X₂ scattered wave calculations, Ground state
 has 61% Cu(II) d_{x²-y²} character with rest of the wavefunction
 made up of 9% contribution each from the 4 3p_o orbitals
 of the chloride ligands

$$\psi_{MO} = a d_{x^2-y^2} + b (3p_{o1}^{Cl} + 3p_{o3}^{Cl} - 3p_{o2}^{Cl} - 3p_{o4}^{Cl})$$

with $a^2 + 4b^2 = 1$, $a^2 = 61\%$

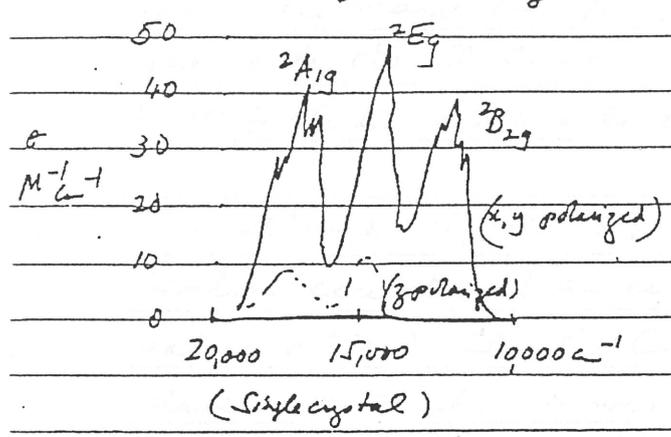
Excited state (low-lying) d-d transitions

note that sign of ψ determined by ψ_{orb}



- $\rightarrow 2B_{2g}$
- $\rightarrow 2E_g$
- $\rightarrow 2A_{1g}$ parity

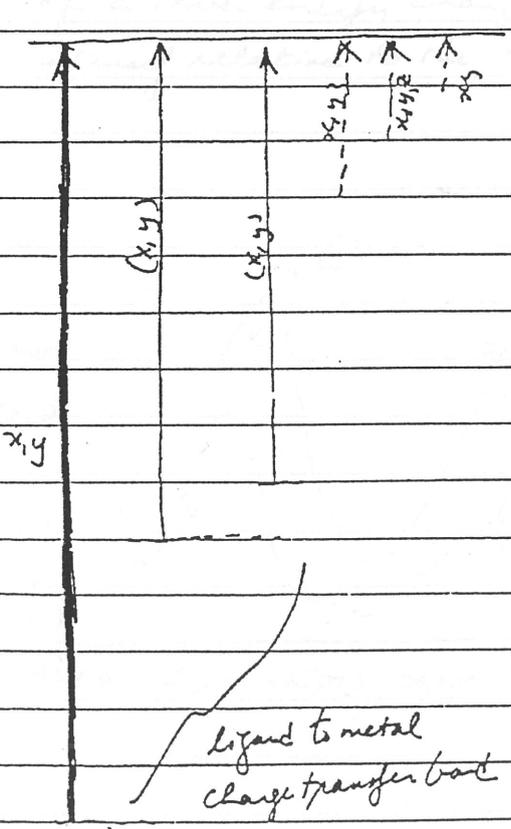
$\frac{v}{c} \approx 15,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
 $\frac{c}{\lambda} \approx 6 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
 $\approx 6 \times 10^{-5} \times 10^7 \text{ nm}$



d-d transitions or ligand field transitions
 Laporte (parity) forbidden
 "allowed" or possible through coupling with odd parity vibrations.

$\epsilon < 50 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$
 550-800 nm

Excited States (Ligand to Metal Charge Transfer LMCT)



- $3b_{1g} (dx^2-y^2)$
- $2b_{2g} (dxz)$
- $2e_g (dxz, dyz)$
- $3a_{1g} (dz^2)$
- $1a_{2g} (Cl, nb)$
- $4e_u (Cl \pi)$
- $1b_{2u} (Cl \pi)$
- $1e_g (Cl \pi)$
- $2a_{2u} (Cl \pi)$
- $1b_{2g} (Cl \pi)$
- $3e_u (Cl \sigma)$
- $2b_{1g} (Cl \sigma)$
- $(Cl \sigma) 2a_{1g}$

NO

$\epsilon \approx 5000-10,000 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$

optical transition from a filled chloride centered level to the half-filled copper centered dx^2-y^2 orbitals

Each Chloride has 3 valence 3p orbitals, which split in energy due to bonding interactions with the metal ion; those involved in σ bonding are deepest and energy due to greater ligand-metal overlap. The overlap of the donor and acceptor orbitals involved in the charge transfer process also governs the intensity of a charge transfer transition, and since the half-occupied $d_{x^2-y^2}$ level has only σ -overlap with the ligands, the charge transfer transition of greatest intensity should be the $Cl\ p\sigma \rightarrow Cu\ d_{x^2-y^2}$ (${}^2B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^2E_u(\sigma)$) which is electric dipole allowed & x, y polarized.

The allowed ${}^2B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^2E_u(\pi)$ charge-transfer transition involves excitation of an electron from a π -bonding ligand valence orbital into the $Cu\ d_{x^2-y^2}$ level and thus should have no intensity. However, it interacts configurationally with the ${}^2E_u(\sigma)$ transition, leading to the appearance of a lower energy charge transfer transition with reduced intensity relative to the ${}^2E_u(\sigma)$ charge transfer transition

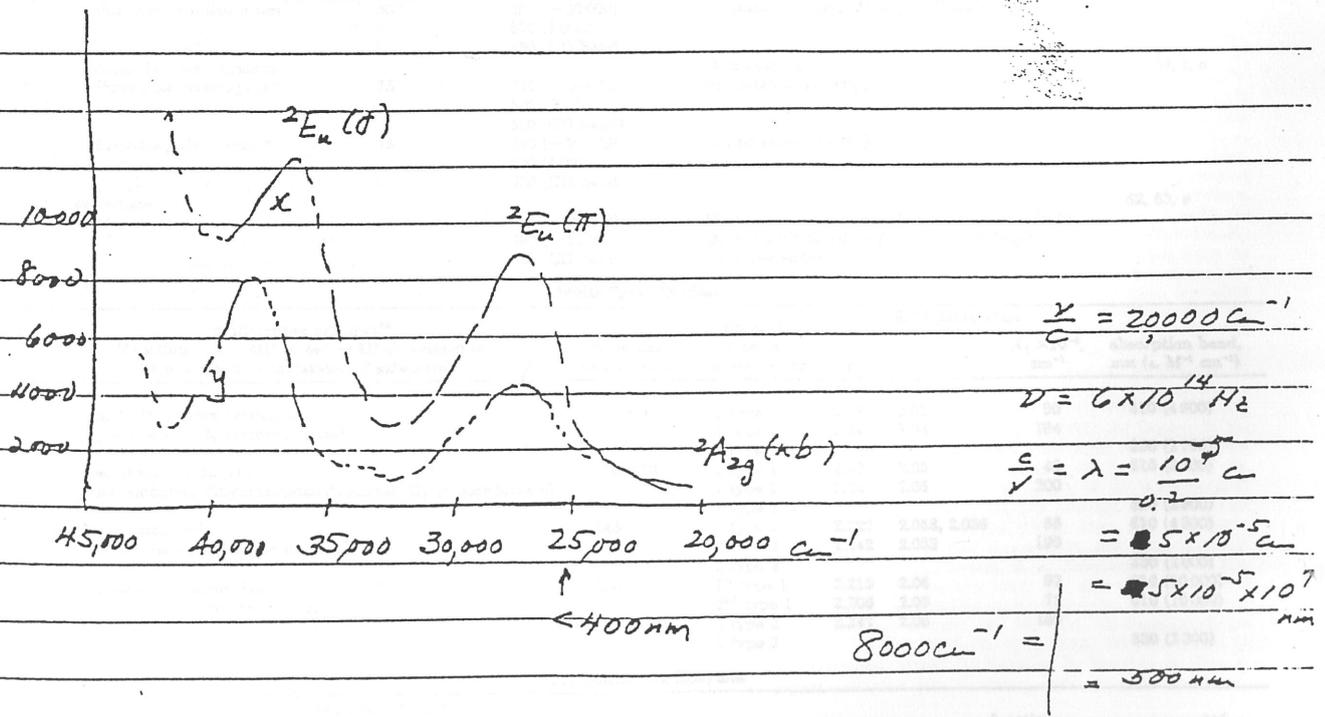
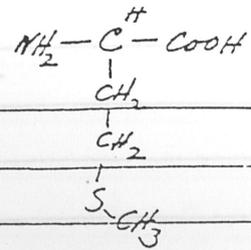


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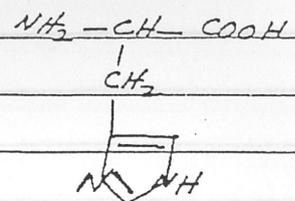
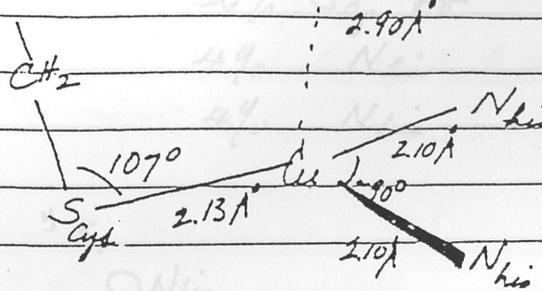
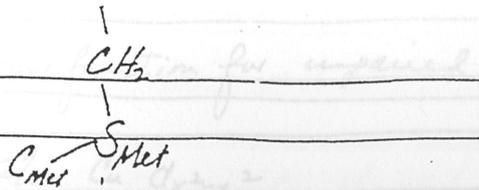
Cu ₂ -Containing Enzymes				
Cu ₂ -containing enzymes	molecular weight (in kDa), subunits	metal centers	function	ref
		(Cu ₂ antiferromagnetically coupled to Fe ₂)	2H ₂ O + 4 ferricytochrome c N ₂ O + 2e ⁻ + 2H ⁺ → N ₂ + H ₂ O	=
nitrous oxidase reductase				
<i>Pseudomonas stutzeri</i>	140, α ₂	2 Cu ₂ , 6 other Cu atoms		
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	73, α ₂	4 Cu atoms/molecule		

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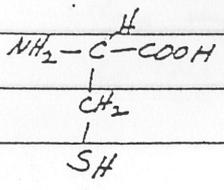
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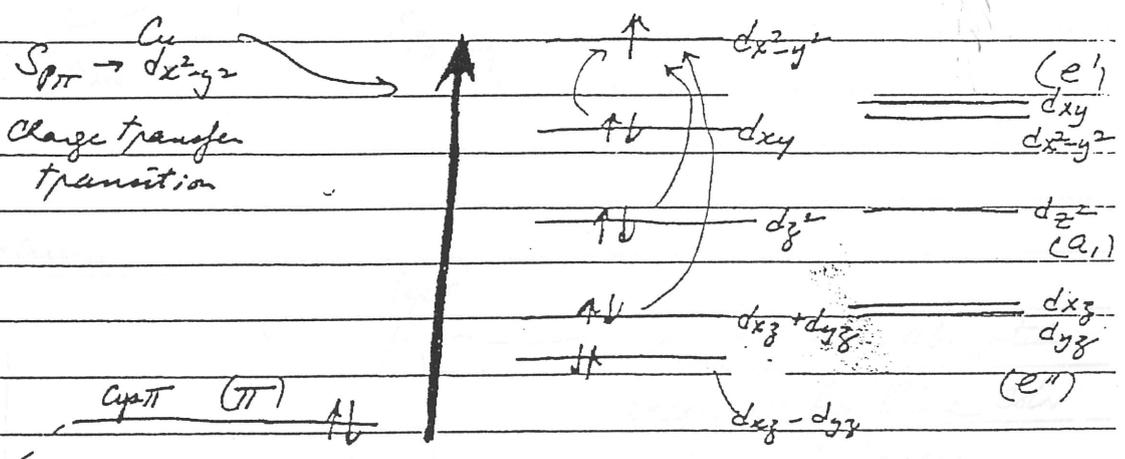


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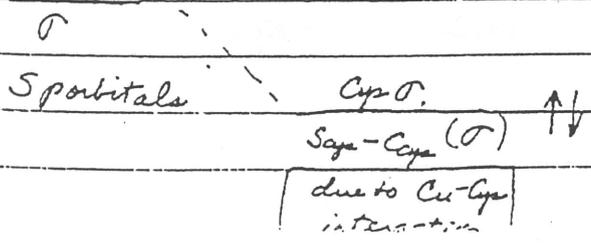
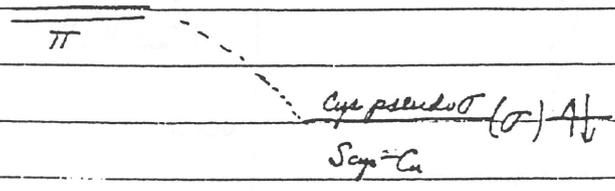
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cysteine

Cu d orbitals



d-d transitions C_{2v}



due to Cu-Cys interaction

due to Cu-Cys interaction

Blue Copper wavefunction for unpaired e⁻

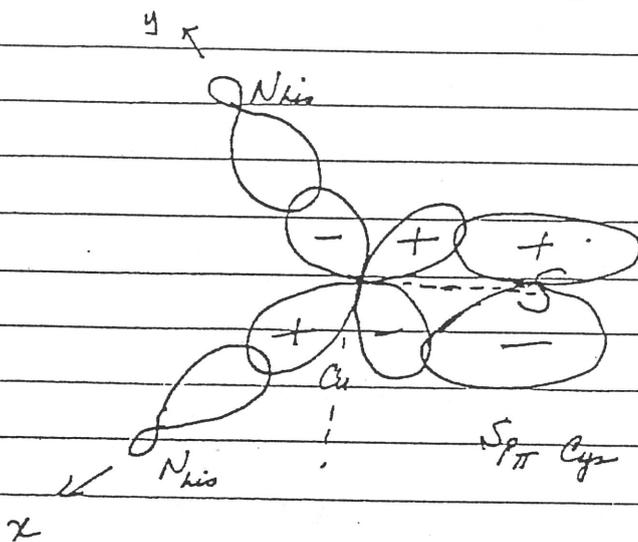
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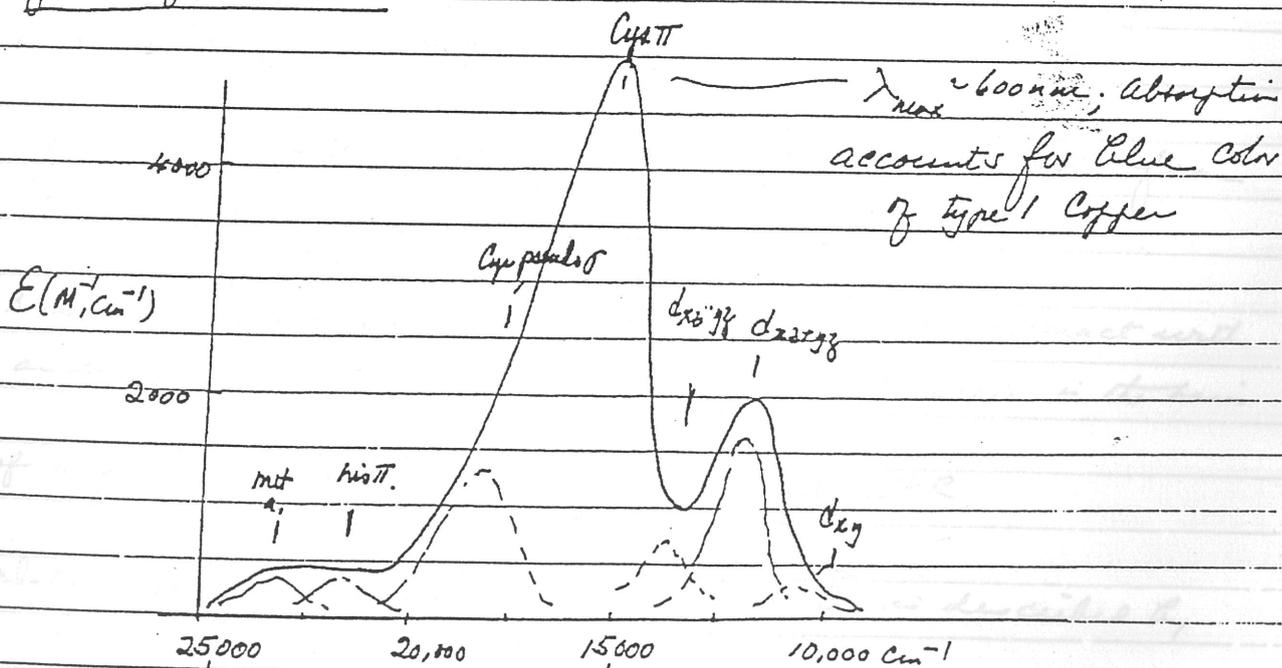
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4% N_{his}



Optical Spectrum



EPR \equiv Electron Paramagnetic Resonance

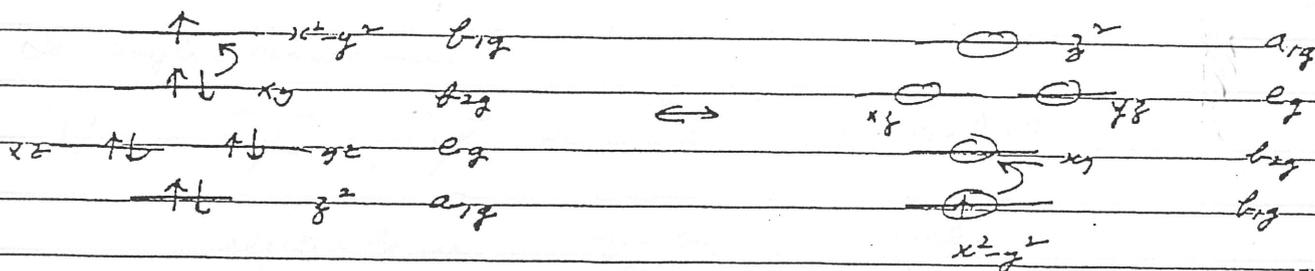
(also ESR \equiv electron spin resonance)

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Another spectroscopic handle to monitor the electronic structure of metal site in metalloprotein is EPR. This is a rather technical subject, so I thought I would give you a short course on the subject.

For a copper(II) complex or a d^9 copper site in a protein, there are 9 e^- in the d-shell. Q.M., this is equivalent to one electron hole in d-shell.

For an D_{4h} copper complex, we may write



electrons in d-shell
or electrons occupying d-orbitals

electron hole occupying
d-orbital state

d-d optical transitions correspond to excitations of the hole from 1 hole state to another.

Now unpaired electrons and unpaired electron holes interact with an external magnetic field (\vec{H}) and this interaction is the basis (B)

of a form of spectroscopy (μ wave) called EPR.

Interaction of unpaired e^- with \vec{H} or \vec{B} is described by

$$\mathcal{H}_Z = -\vec{\mu}_S \cdot \vec{H} - \vec{\mu}_L \cdot \vec{H} = -\vec{H} \cdot \vec{\mu}_S - \vec{H} \cdot \vec{\mu}_L$$

to complete the description, must include interaction of electron spin or $\vec{\mu}_s$ with the magnetic field produced by orbital motion of the e^- . This interaction is called spin-orbital interaction and is usually written as

$$\lambda \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$$

where \vec{L} = angular momentum associated with e^-
 \vec{S} = electron spin
 λ is the spin-orbit coupling parameter.

We must also include the possibility of magnetic nuclei in the vicinity of unpaired electrons, and that these magnetic nuclei interact with the applied magnetic field and with the unpaired electron(s) (as well as with each other)

So complete Hamiltonian

$$H = \underbrace{H_0}_{\text{electron Zeeman interaction}} + \underbrace{\lambda \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}}_{\text{spin-orbit interaction}} + \underbrace{\vec{S} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \vec{I}}_{\text{nuclear hyperfine interaction}}$$

$$+ \sum_{N'} \vec{S} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{N'} \cdot \vec{I}_{N'} - \sum_N \vec{H} \cdot \vec{\mu}_N$$

ligand magnetic nuclei all nuclei

superhyperfine interaction nuclear Zeeman interaction

where I is the nuclear spin of the transition metal ion
 N' refers to magnetic nuclei associated with the ligands
eg. 1H , ^{14}N , ^{13}C , ^{15}N etc.
introduced

The terms are written in the order of decreasing importance, except that in the case of proton hyperfine, nuclear Zeeman is typically larger than nuclear hyperfine interaction.

Now, for unpaired e^- or hole,

	electron g-values
$-\vec{\mu}_S = +g_S \beta \vec{S} = +2.0023 \beta \vec{S}$	$g_S = 2.0023$
and $-\vec{\mu}_L = +g_L \beta \vec{L} = +1.0000 \beta \vec{L}$	$g_L = 1.0000$

where $\beta = \text{Bohr magneton} = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e c}$

Since the spectral positions of the main features of an EPR spectrum are determined by the electron Zeeman interaction and spin-orbit interaction, we shall consider these interactions first. Remaining interactions are responsible for the fine-structure in the spectrum.

Electron Zeeman Interaction (to first-order)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{H}_{\text{Zeeman}}^{\text{electron}} &= +g_S \beta \vec{H} \cdot \vec{S} + 1.0000 \beta \vec{H} \cdot \vec{L} + \lambda \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} \\
 &+ \mathcal{H}_{\text{spin-orbit}}
 \end{aligned}$$

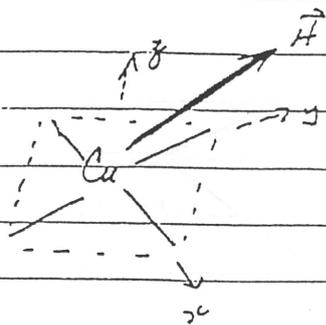
$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \downarrow$
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$$\text{Energy to first order } W_{m_s} = g_S \beta H_0 m_s + 0 + 0$$

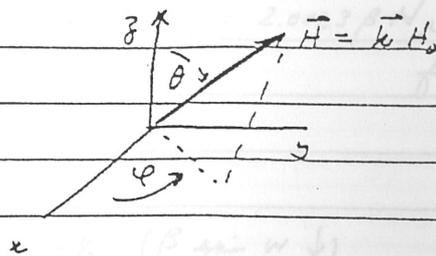
vanishes to first order because \vec{L} is quenched by ligand field, i.e., $\langle \vec{L} \rangle = 0$

It's instructive to examine the first term more closely.

Let's consider our D_{4h} Complex



x, y, z denote molecular axes



Note that we can write $g_s \beta \vec{H} \cdot \vec{S}$ as

$$g_s \beta \begin{pmatrix} H_x & H_y & H_z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} S_x \\ S_y \\ S_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= g_s \beta (H_0 \sin \theta \cos \phi \quad H_0 \sin \theta \sin \phi \quad H_0 \cos \theta) \begin{pmatrix} S_x \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ S_x \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ S_x \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= g_s \beta H_0 (\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi + \cos^2 \theta) S_x$$

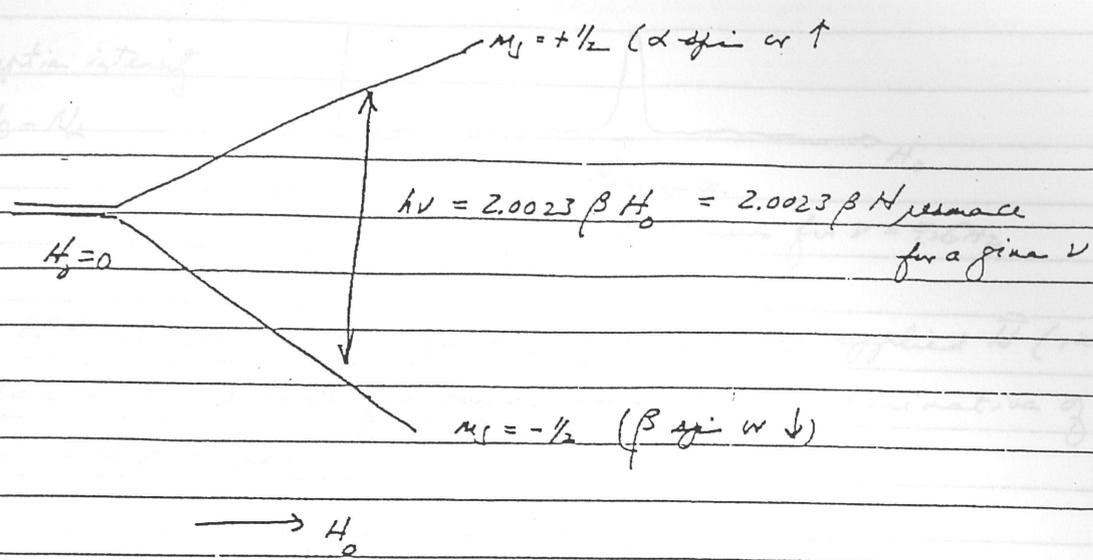
$$= g_s \beta H_0 S_x$$

In q.m., S_x is quantized along \vec{H} so that $\langle S_x \rangle = m_s = \pm 1/2$

Therefore energy levels of electron spin are given to first order by

$$g_s \beta H_0 m_s \quad \text{with } m_s = \pm 1/2$$

Absorption intensity
 $M_0 = M_0$



EPR spectra is usually obtained by fixing frequency of observation

$$\nu = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz} \quad \frac{\nu}{c} = \frac{9 \times 10^9}{3 \times 10^{10}} \text{ cm}^{-1} = 0.3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\text{or } \lambda = \frac{c}{\nu} = 3 \text{ cm} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mu\text{-wave} \\ \text{X-Band} \end{array}$$

$$\nu = 35 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz} \quad \frac{\nu}{c} = \frac{35 \times 10^9}{3 \times 10^{10}} \text{ cm}^{-1} \approx 1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\text{or } \lambda = 1 \text{ cm} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mu\text{-wave} \\ \text{Q-Band} \end{array}$$

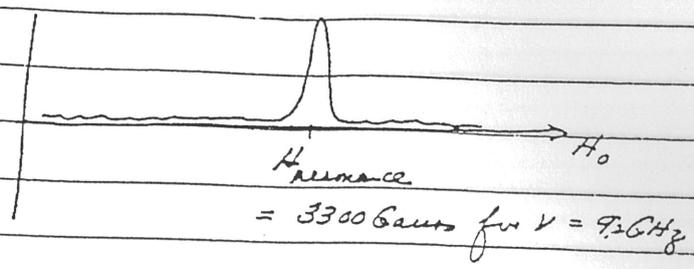
$$\nu = 3 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz} \quad \frac{\nu}{c} = \frac{3 \times 10^9}{3 \times 10^{10}} \approx 0.1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\text{or } \lambda = 10 \text{ cm} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mu\text{-wave} \\ \text{S-Band} \end{array}$$

and varying H_0 to achieve resonance.

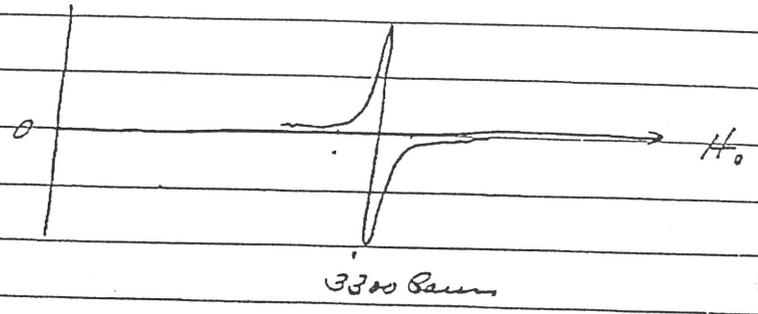
- X-Band $H_0 = 3400 \text{ Gauss}$ for $\nu = 9.5 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}$
- 3300 Gauss for $\nu = 9.2 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}$
- Q-Band $12,500 \text{ Gauss}$ for $\nu = 35 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}$

Absorption intensity
 $N_2 - N_1$



Since in EPR spectroscopy, we typically modulate the applied H_0 (in order to obtain an a.c. signal for amplification), the derivative of the absorption is recorded.

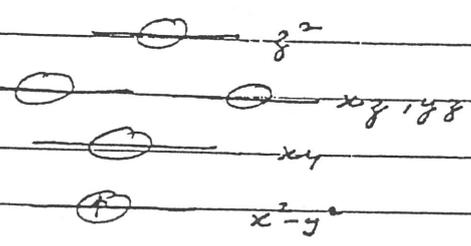
$\frac{d(\text{Absorption})}{dH}$ (Signal)



Zeeema Interaction (to second order)

The above treatment of the Zeeema interaction (to first order) assumes that the $spin$ is totally decoupled from the orbital motion of the electron, which, of course, is not true. The $spin-orbit$ interaction couples them. We now correct for this $spin-orbit$ coupling to obtain the Zeeema energy to second order.

Return to model complex



$$d_z^2 = d_0$$

$$d_{xz}, d_{yz} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(d_1 \pm d_{-1})$$

$$d_{xy} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(d_2 - d_{-2})$$

$$d_{x^2-y^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(d_2 + d_{-2})$$

Wavefunction for hole = $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot d$ $spin \uparrow$
 $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \beta$ $spin \downarrow$

S-d-orbitals

$$d_2 = \sqrt{\frac{15}{8\pi}} \times f(r) \times \left(\frac{1}{4} \sin^2\theta e^{2i\phi}\right)$$

$$d_1 = \quad \quad \quad \times (-\sin\theta \cos\theta e^{i\phi})$$

$$d_0 = \quad \quad \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (3\cos^2\theta - 1)\right)$$

$$d_{-1} = \quad \quad \quad \times (+\sin\theta \cos\theta e^{-i\phi})$$

$$d_{-2} = \quad \quad \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{4} \sin^2\theta e^{-2i\phi}\right)$$

Because of spin-orbit interaction, wave function for hole is no longer $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \alpha$ or $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \beta$ and must be corrected!

Denote spin up state by ψ_+ & spin-down state by ψ_-

From perturbation theory, one can show that

$$\psi_+ = d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \alpha - \sum_{\substack{i=xy, \\ yz, xz \\ z^2 \\ m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2}}} \frac{\int d_i^* \cdot \phi_{m_s}^* (\lambda \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}) d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \alpha d\tau}{E(d_i \cdot \phi_{m_s}) - E(d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \alpha)} d_i \cdot \phi_{m_s}$$

where d_i refers to i d-orbital

ϕ_{m_s} refers to appropriate spin function

$$(\phi_{+\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow \alpha; \phi_{-\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow \beta)$$

$$\text{and } \psi_- = d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \beta - \sum_{\substack{i=xy, \\ yz, xz \\ z^2 \\ m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2}}} \frac{\int d_i^* \cdot \phi_{m_s}^* \lambda \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \beta d\tau}{E(d_i \cdot \phi_{m_s}) - E(d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \beta)} d_i \cdot \phi_{m_s}$$

(14)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} &= L_z S_z + L_x S_x + L_y S_y \\ &= L_z S_z + \frac{1}{2} (L^+ S^- + L^- S^+) \end{aligned}$$

$L_z S_z$ mixed in some $d_{xy} \cdot d$ with $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot d$

and $d_{xy} \cdot \beta$ with $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \beta$

$L^+ S^-$ mixed in some $d_{+1} \cdot \beta$ with $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot d$

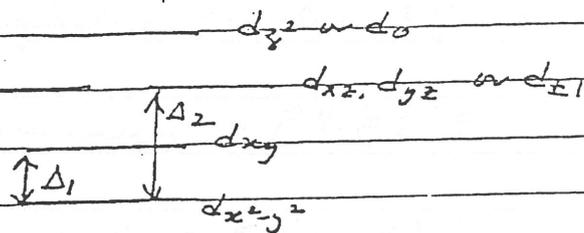
$L^- S^+$ mixed in some $d_{-1} \cdot \beta$ with $d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot d$

If do algebra, we find

$$\psi_+ = d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot d - \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_1} d_{xy} \cdot d - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} d_{-1} \cdot \beta$$

and

$$\psi_- = d_{x^2-y^2} \cdot \beta + \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_1} d_{xy} \cdot \beta - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} d_{+1} \cdot d$$



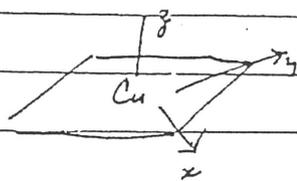
Next to use these corrected wavefunction to obtain Zeeman energy to second order.

Recall Zeeman interaction given by

$$\mathcal{H}_Z = +g_s \beta H \cdot \vec{S} + 1.0000 \beta H \cdot \vec{L}$$

$$= \beta (H_x \ H_y \ H_z) \begin{pmatrix} g_s S_x + L_x \\ g_s S_y + L_y \\ g_s S_z + L_z \end{pmatrix}$$

Let's say magnetic field is along z-direction



$$\hat{H}_z = \beta H_z (g_s \hat{S}_z + \hat{L}_z) = \beta H_0 (g_s \hat{S}_z + \hat{L}_z)$$

$$\text{Zeeman energy} = \int \psi_{\pm}^* \beta H_0 (g_s \hat{S}_z + \hat{L}_z) \psi_{\pm} d\tau$$

$$= \beta H_0 \left[(g_s) \left(\pm \frac{1}{2}\right) \mp \frac{4\lambda}{\Delta_1} + \text{higher order terms} \right]$$

$$\approx \beta H_0 \left(\pm \frac{1}{2}\right) \left[g_s - \frac{8\lambda}{\Delta_1} \right]$$

$$\equiv \beta H_0 \left(\pm \frac{1}{2}\right) g_{\parallel} \left(1 - \frac{4\lambda}{\Delta_1}\right)$$

Define effective g-value $\equiv g_{\parallel}$ when H is along z axis

$$\text{Zeeman energy} = \beta H_0 \left(\pm \frac{1}{2}\right) g_{\parallel}$$

$$\therefore g_{\parallel} = g_s \left(1 - \frac{4\lambda}{\Delta_1}\right)$$

For Cu, $\lambda = -829 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

Define $\varphi = -\lambda = +829 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

$$g_{\parallel} = g_s \left(1 + \frac{4\varphi}{\Delta_1}\right) > g_s$$

$g_{\perp} = g_s$
 g_s

When magnetic field is in x - y plane, say along x -direction

(16)

$$\hat{N}_z = \beta H_0 (g_s \hat{S}_x + \hat{L}_x)$$

$$\text{Zeeman energy} = \int \psi_{\pm}^* \beta H_0 (g_s \hat{S}_x + \hat{L}_x) \psi_{\pm} d\tau$$

$$= 0$$

$$\text{But } \int \psi_{\pm}^* \beta H_0 [g_s \hat{S}_x + \hat{L}_x] \psi_{\mp} d\tau \neq 0$$

$$\text{So correct } \psi_x^{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_{+} \pm \psi_{-})$$

$$\hat{N}_z \sim = \begin{matrix} & \psi_{+} & \psi_{-} \\ \begin{matrix} \psi_{+} \\ \psi_{-} \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} + g_s(\frac{1}{2}) \\ -\frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} + g_s(\frac{1}{2}) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \beta H_0$$

Zeeman energies (obtained by diagonalizing 2×2)

$$= \pm \beta H_0 \left(g_s \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} \right)$$

$$\equiv \pm \beta H_0 \frac{1}{2} g_x \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} \right)$$

Define effective g -value $\equiv g_x$ when H is along x -axis

$$\text{Zeeman energy} = \beta H_0 \left(\pm \frac{1}{2} \right) g_x$$

$$\therefore g_x = g_s \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} \right) = g_s \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} \right)$$

Identical ~~result~~ result obtained for g_y , \therefore define $g_L = g_x = g_y$

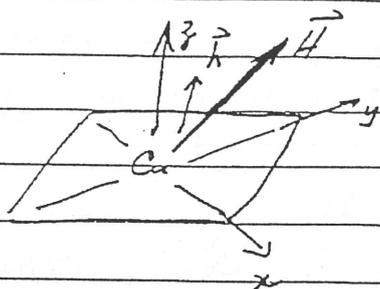
$$g_L = g_x = g_y = g_s \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} \right) = g_s \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{\Delta_2} \right) > g_s$$

$$\text{But } \Delta_2 \gg \Delta_1 \quad \therefore g_{||} > g_L > g_s$$

Arbitrary orientations of $H_0 \vec{H}$ $\vec{H} \parallel \vec{H}$ $\vec{H} \perp \vec{H}$ α, γ, δ

$$\beta \vec{H} \cdot \underline{g} \cdot \vec{S} \quad \text{where } \underline{g} \equiv g\text{-tensor}$$

$$= \beta (H_x \ H_y \ H_z) \begin{pmatrix} g_L & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_{L'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & g_{||} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} S_x \\ S_y \\ S_z \end{pmatrix}$$



\vec{h} — direction of effective field
 \vec{H}

Because of g anisotropy, \vec{S} is no longer quantized along \vec{H} , but along a direction given by $\vec{H} \cdot \underline{g}$

Let's denote the direction of $\vec{H} \cdot \underline{g}$ by unit vector \vec{h} and its magnitude by $H_0 g_{\text{eff}}$

$$\text{Then } \vec{h} H_0 g_{\text{eff}} = \vec{H} \cdot \underline{g}$$

$$\text{Since } H_0^2 g_{\text{eff}}^2 = (\vec{H} \cdot \underline{g})(\underline{g} \cdot \vec{H}) = \vec{H} \cdot \underline{g}^2 \cdot \vec{H}$$

$$= H_0^2 (\sin\theta \cos\varphi \ \sin\theta \sin\varphi \ \cos\theta) \cdot g^2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \sin\theta \cos\varphi \\ \sin\theta \sin\varphi \\ \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{g}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} g_L & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_{L'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & g_{||} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g_L & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_{L'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & g_{||} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_L^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_{L'}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & g_{||}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= H_0^2 (\sin\theta \cos\varphi \ \sin\theta \sin\varphi \ \cos\theta) \begin{pmatrix} g_L^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_{L'}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & g_{||}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sin\theta \cos\varphi \\ \sin\theta \sin\varphi \\ \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= H_0^2 [(\sin\theta \cos\varphi)^2 g_L^2 + \sin\theta \sin\varphi \cos\theta g_{L'}^2 + \cos^2\theta g_{||}^2]$$

$$\text{or } g_{\text{eff}} = \left(g_{\perp}^2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \varphi + g_{\perp'}^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \varphi + g_{\parallel}^2 \cos^2 \theta \right)^{1/2}$$

and the EPR transition occurs at

$$h\nu = \left(g_{\perp}^2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \varphi + g_{\perp'}^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \varphi + g_{\parallel}^2 \cos^2 \theta \right)^{1/2} \beta H_0$$

So for a given ν , $H_{\text{resonance}}$ will depend on θ, φ .

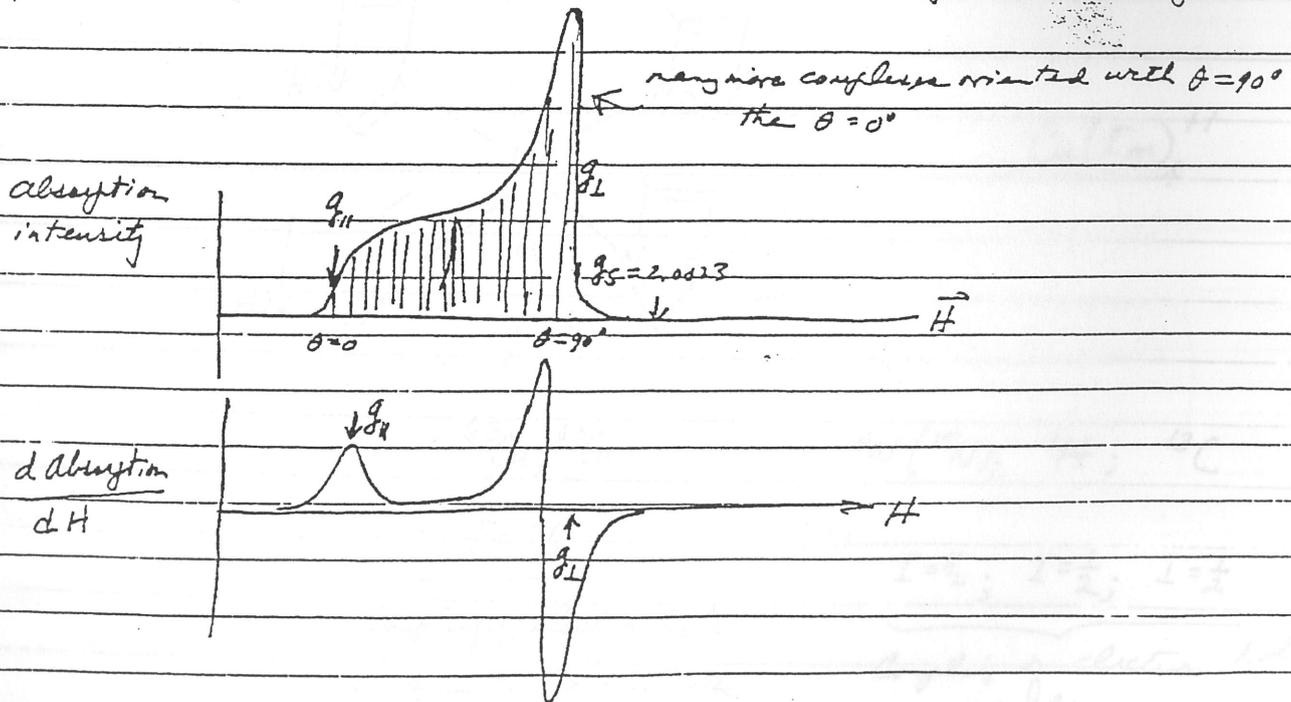
For the axial case, $H_{\text{resonance}}$ depends on θ only, since

$$g_{\perp} = g_{\perp'} \text{ and } h\nu = \left(g_{\perp}^2 \sin^2 \theta + g_{\parallel}^2 \cos^2 \theta \right)^{1/2} \beta H_0$$

These expressions give the resonance fields in single crystal studies, when \vec{H} is oriented at defined orientations wrt to x, y, z (molecular axes), or principal axes of g tensor

Powder Spectrum

All orientations of x, y, z with respect to \vec{H} are present in a powder sample. So EPR spectrum observed is a superposition of absorptions from all possible orientations \Rightarrow called a powder spectrum. For an axial Cu complex, where $g_{\parallel} > g_{\perp}$



Nuclear hyperfine interaction in EPR spectroscopy of transition metal complexes

Interaction of unpaired e⁻ (or hole) with nuclear spin of transition metal ion and magnetic nuclei of ligands

$$\vec{S} \cdot \vec{A} \cdot \vec{I} + \sum_{N'} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{A}_{N'} \cdot \vec{I}_{N'} - \sum_N \vec{H} \cdot \vec{\mu}_N$$

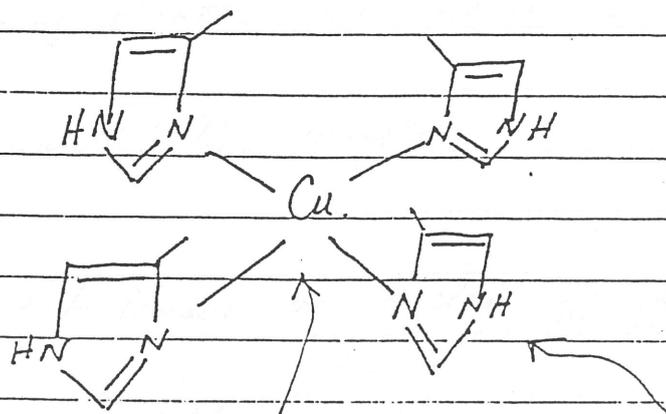
magnetic nuclei on ligands
all magnetic nuclei

nuclear hyperfine interaction

nuclear superhyperfine interaction

nuclear Zeeman interaction

Example



$\text{Cu}(\text{Im})_4^{2+}$

$^{63}\text{Cu}, ^{65}\text{Cu}$

$^{14}\text{N} (^{15}\text{N}), ^1\text{H}; ^{13}\text{C}$

$I = 3/2$

$I = 1$

$I = 1/2; I = 1/2; I = 1/2$

Coupling of electron hole or spin to Cu nucleus

Coupling of electron hole or spin to ligand magnetic nuclei

→ nuclear hyperfine interaction

→ superhyperfine interaction

$$\vec{S} \cdot \vec{A} \cdot \vec{I} - \vec{\mu}_N \cdot \vec{H}$$

Since $\vec{\mu}_N = g_I \beta_N \vec{I}$, where

$g_I \equiv$ nuclear g -value

$\beta_N =$ nuclear Bohr magneton

$$= \frac{e\hbar}{2M_p c}$$

Can rewrite as

$$\vec{S} \cdot \vec{A} \cdot \vec{I} - g_I \beta_N \vec{H} \cdot \vec{I} = -g_I \beta_N (\vec{H}_e + \vec{H}) \cdot \vec{I}$$

where $g_I \beta_N \vec{H}_e = -\vec{S} \cdot \vec{A}$

or $g_I \beta_N (H_{ex} \ H_{ey} \ H_{ez}) = - (S_x \ S_y \ S_z) \begin{pmatrix} A_{xx} & A_{xy} & A_{xz} \\ A_{yx} & A_{yy} & A_{yz} \\ A_{zx} & A_{zy} & A_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$

Can refer \vec{H}_e as the magnetic field produced by spinning electron at transition metal nucleus.

Picks symmetric D_{4h} complex

$\vec{A} =$ "A" tensor or nuclear hyperfine tensor

$$= \begin{pmatrix} A_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{zz} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{\perp} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{\perp} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{\parallel} \end{pmatrix}$$

then $g_I \beta_N (H_{ex} \ H_{ey} \ H_{ez}) = - (S_x A_{\perp} \ S_y A_{\perp} \ S_z A_{\parallel})$

So total magnetic fields experienced by magnetic nucleus

is given by (H_x - A_perp S_x / g_I beta_N , H_y - A_perp' S_y / g_I beta_N , H_z - A_parallel S_z / g_I beta_N)

and the effective Hamiltonian for the problem becomes

beta (H_x H_y H_z) / (g_perp 0 0 ; 0 g_perp' 0 ; 0 0 g_parallel) (S_x ; S_y ; S_z)

+ (A_perp S_x - g_perp beta_N H_x , A_perp' S_y - g_perp beta_N H_y , A_parallel S_z - g_perp beta_N H_z) (I_x ; I_y ; I_z)

(1) For applied magnetic field along z-axis

H_x = 0, H_y = 0, H_z = H_0

Hamiltonian = beta H_0 g_parallel S_z + A_perp S_x I_x + A_perp' S_y I_y + A_parallel S_z I_z - g_perp beta_N H_0 I_z

S and I are both quantized along H

<S_z> = +/- 1/2, <I_z> = m_I, <S_x> = 0, <I_x> = 0, <S_y> = 0, <I_y> = 0

Energy = beta H_0 g_parallel m_S + A_parallel m_S m_I - g_perp beta_N H_0 m_I

$$h\nu = \beta H_0 g_{\parallel} + A_{\parallel} m_I$$

(2) For applied magnetic field along x-axis

$$H_x = H_0, H_y = 0, H_z = 0$$

$$\text{Hamiltonian} = \beta H_0 g_{\perp} S_x + A_{\perp} S_x I_x + A_{\perp}' S_y I_y + A_{\parallel} S_z I_z - g_I \beta_N H_0 I_x$$

$$\text{Energy} = \beta H_0 g_{\perp} m_S + A_{\perp} m_S m_I - g_I \beta_N H_0 m_I$$

and EPR transitions occur at

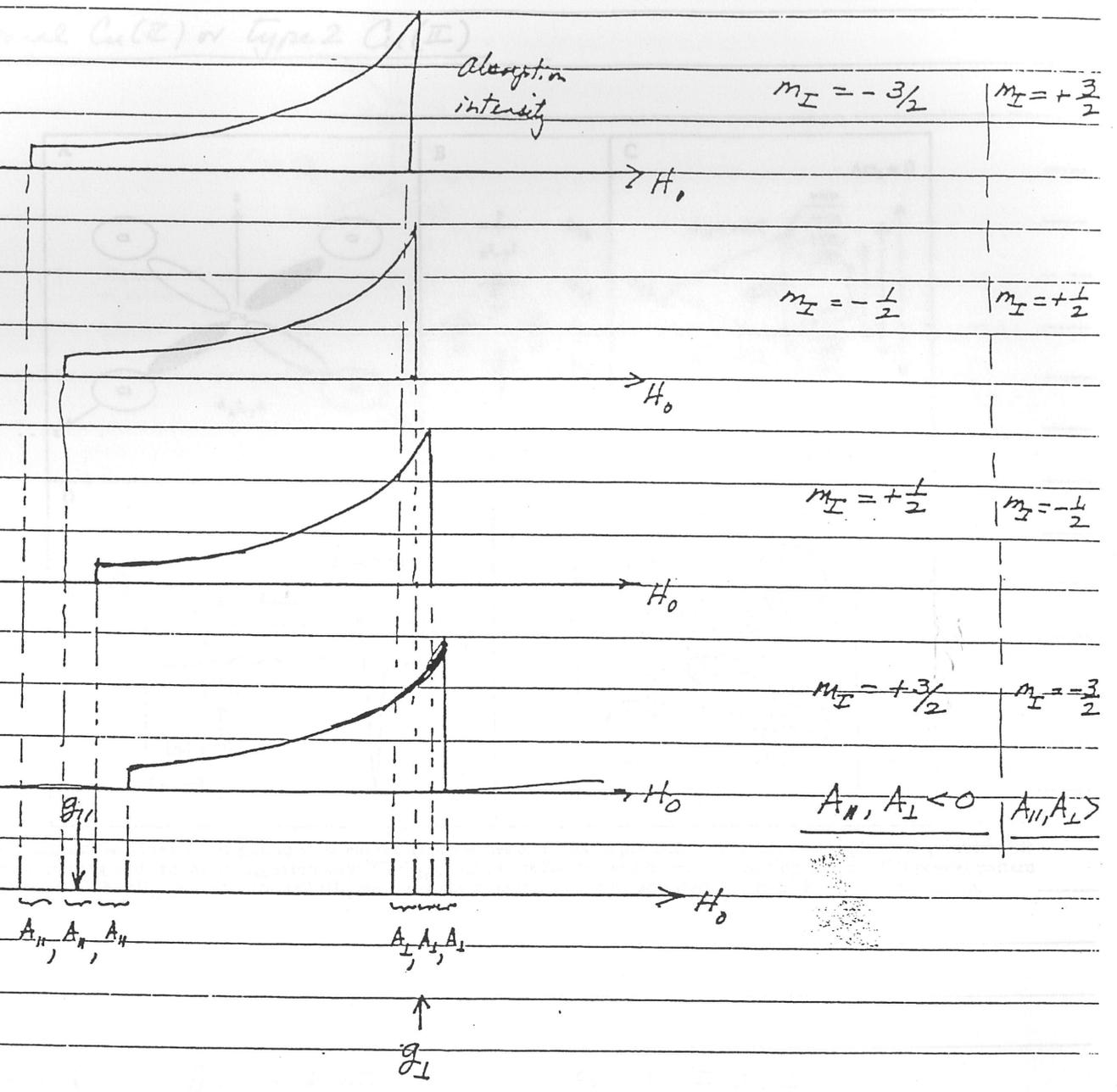
$$h\nu = \beta H_0 g_{\perp} + A_{\perp} m_I$$

Return to Cu(II) complexes

2 Cu isotopes:	^{63}Cu	^{65}Cu	$I = 3/2$	g
	69.09%			7.1088
		30.91%		7.6104

Therefore observed powder spectrum is a superposition of eight powder spectra, one for each of the m_I 's for the two Cu isotopes. But g_I 's for the two Cu isotopes differ by $< 10\%$. So for all practical purposes, can interpret the observed spectrum as a superposition of four "powder spectra"

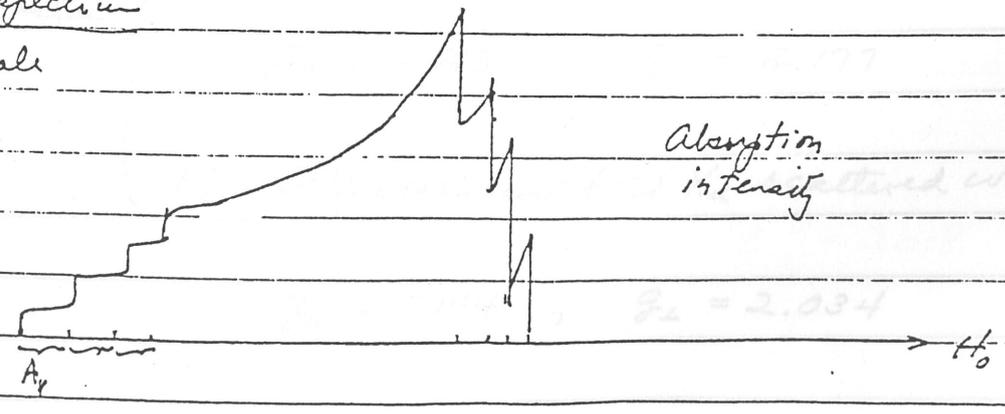
Expected spectrum sum of following 4 subpectra:



I have assumed that $A_{||}$ and A_{\perp} are of the same sign, but that need not be the case.

Opposite spectrum

not to scale



Experiments (Data taken from Solomon's review in Chem. Reviews)

Tetragonal Cu(II) or type 2 Cu(II)

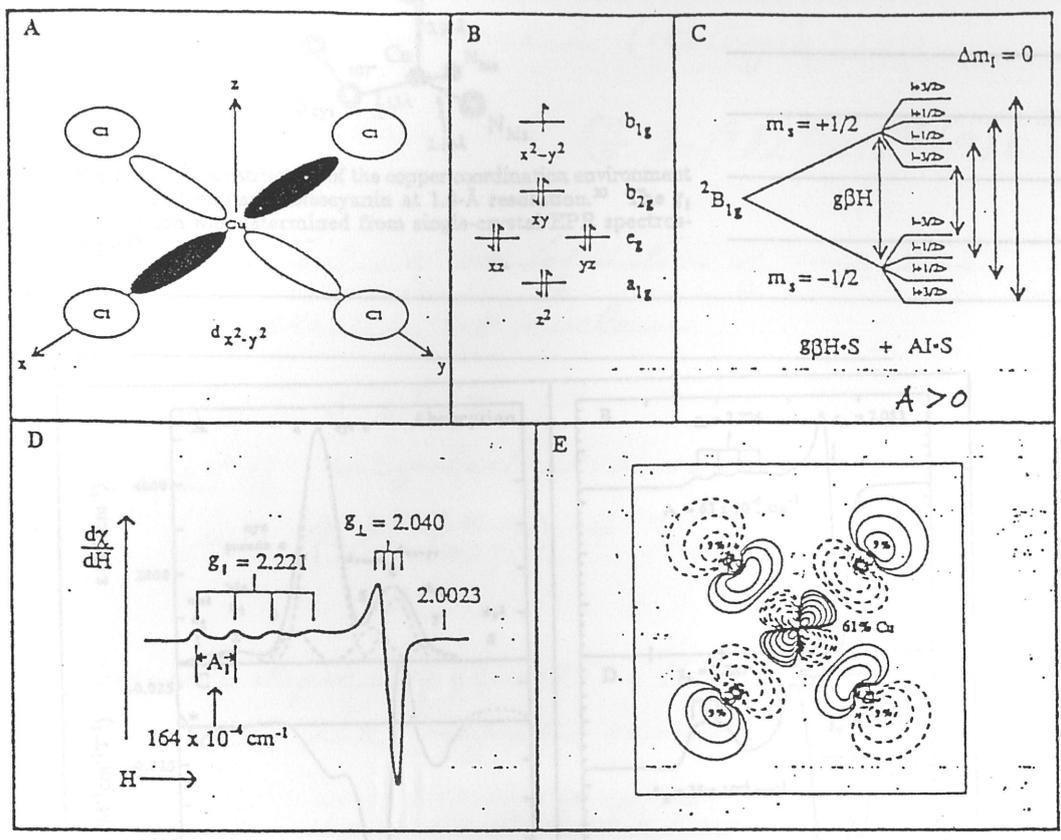


Figure 1. Ligand-field theory and ground-state electronic properties of normal cupric complexes: (A) square planar D_{4h} - CuCl_4^{2-} ; (B) ligand field splitting of d orbitals in D_{4h} symmetry; (C) ${}^2B_{1g}$ ground-state Zeeman and hyperfine splitting diagram; (D) powder pattern EPR spectrum of the ${}^2B_{1g}$ ground state; (E) ${}^2B_{1g}$ ground-state wave function from adjusted-sphere SCF-X α -SW calculation.

Observed $g_{\parallel} = 2.221$, $g_{\perp} = 2.040$

Predicted (a) ligand-field (no covalent delocalization of metal d-orbitals into ligand valence orbitals)
 reduced g-values due to covalency } $g_{\parallel} = 2.743$, $g_{\perp} = 2.177$
 (b) Self-consistent field X α scattered wave (SCF-X α -SW)
 $g_{\parallel} = 2.144$, $g_{\perp} = 2.034$

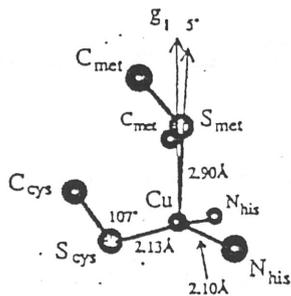


Figure 4. X-ray structure of the copper coordination environment of oxidized poplar plastocyanin at 1.6-Å resolution.²⁰ The g_{\parallel} orientation was determined from single-crystal EPR spectroscopy.²⁵

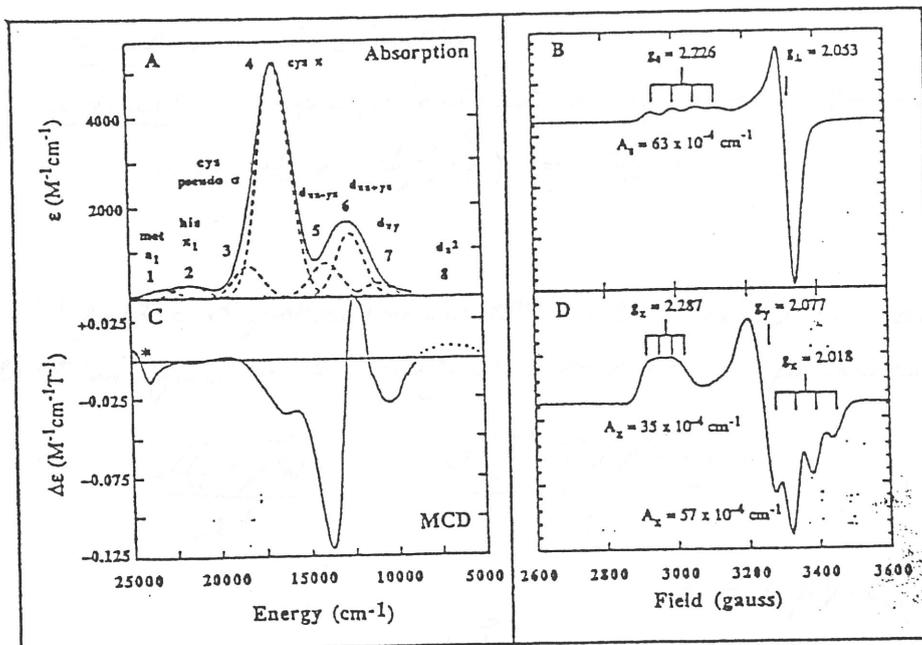


Figure 3. Unique spectral features of blue copper proteins: Part A shows the low-temperature (LT) absorption spectrum of plastocyanin. The dashed lines indicate Gaussian band deconvolution of the spectrum. Assignments of bands 1-8 were determined from LT-absorption and LT-MCD spectroscopies. Part B shows the EPR spectrum of spinach plastocyanin, and C, the LTMCD spectrum of spinach plastocyanin. The dotted portion of the spectrum is estimated from the NIR-LT-MCD spectrum of azurin (see ref 26). The feature marked with an asterisk (*) is due to a small amount of heme impurity. Part D shows the EPR spectrum of stellacyanin.

Observed (for blue copper site in plastocyanin)

$$g_{\parallel} = 2.226, \quad g_{\perp} = 2.053$$

observed (for blue copper site in stellacyanin)

$$g_z = 2.287; \quad g_y = 2.077; \quad g_x = 2.018$$

rhombic!

Understanding A , The nuclear hyperfine interaction

There are 2 contributions to A

(a) Fermi-contact interaction (isotropic)

$$a \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \quad \text{where } a = \frac{8\pi}{3} g_s \beta g_I \beta_N |\psi(0)|^2$$

where $\psi(0) \equiv$ value of wavefunction of unpaired electron at nucleus

direct: s-electrons

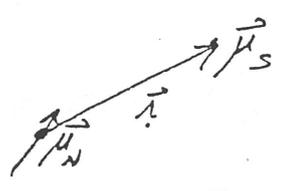
indirect: spin polarization of inner s-shell

such that $\psi_{ns}^\alpha(0) \neq \psi_{ns}^\beta(0)$

(b) Magnetic dipolar interaction between unpaired electron spin and magnetic moment of nucleus

$$\frac{\vec{\mu}_S \cdot \vec{\mu}_N}{r^3} - \frac{3(\vec{\mu}_S \cdot \vec{r})(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{\mu}_N)}{r^5}$$

$$= -g_s \beta g_I \beta_N \left(\frac{\vec{I} \cdot \vec{S}}{r^3} - \frac{3(\vec{I} \cdot \vec{r})(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{S})}{r^5} \right)$$



if expand dot-products using cartesian coordinates
x, y, z

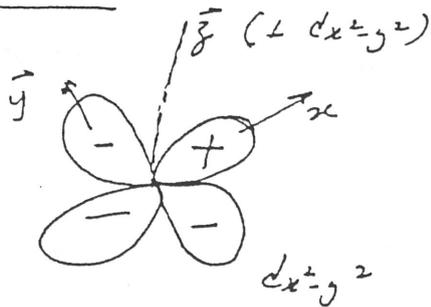
$$= -g_s \beta g_I \beta_N \left\{ S_x I_x \left\langle \frac{r^2 - 3x^2}{r^5} \right\rangle + S_y I_y \left\langle \frac{r^2 - 3y^2}{r^5} \right\rangle + S_z I_z \left\langle \frac{r^2 - 3z^2}{r^5} \right\rangle \right\}$$

where $\langle \rangle$ denote averaging over the wavefunction describing the electron spin

$$= T_{xx} S_x I_x + T_{yy} S_y I_y + T_{zz} S_z I_z$$

175 Gauss (should be 100)

For Cu(II) complex, with unpaired e⁻ in "dx²-y²" orbital



Simple to show that, in this case,

$$T_{xx} = T_{yy} = -\frac{1}{2} T_{zz}$$

and $T_{zz} < 0 \quad \therefore \int (dx^2-y^2) \left(\frac{r^2-3z^2}{r^5} \right) dx^2-y^2 d\tau$

> 0

a turns out to be negative as well because unpaired e^- is in dx^2-y^2 orbital, which has a node at Cu nucleus. Only way for $a \neq 0$ is to have spin polarization of inner s-shells by dx^2-y^2 electron.

Thus $A_{||} = a + T_{zz} < 0$

$A_{\perp} = a + T_{xx} = a - \frac{1}{2} T_{zz} \sim 0$

$< 0 \quad > 0$

CuCl₄²⁻

$$|A_{||}| = 164 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$= 164 \times 10^{-4} \times 3 \times 10^{10} \text{ Hz}$$

$$= 492 \text{ MHz}$$

$$= \frac{492}{2.8} \text{ Gauss} = 175 \text{ Gauss}$$

$A_{||}$ should be < 0

$|A_{\perp}|$ small

Blue copper site

Plastocyanin : $|A_{||}| = 63 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1} \approx 67 \text{ Gauss}$
 $|A_{\perp}| \sim 0$

Stellacyanin : $|A_{\text{38}}| = 35 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1} = 37 \text{ Gauss}$
 $|A_{\text{xx}}| = 57 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1} = 60 \text{ Gauss}$

Type 3 Copper Centers

Binuclear copper sites

<u>Binuclear copper proteins</u>	<u>MW</u> per Cu_2 site	<u>Function</u>
molluscan hemocyanin	50 kDa	O_2 transport (catalase activity: $2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2$)
arthropodan hemocyanin	75 kDa	O_2 transport (no catalase activity)
tyrosinase (<u>Neurospora crassa</u>)	42 kDa	$\text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ + \text{monophenol} \rightarrow \text{o-diphenol} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ $\text{O}_2 + 2 \text{o-diphenol} \rightarrow 2 \text{o-quinone} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (catalase activity)

A type 3 copper center is also found in several multicopper oxidases : laccase; ascorbate oxidase

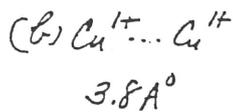
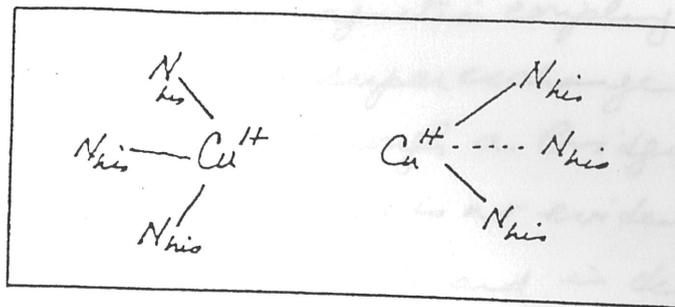
(will discuss later)

... apart, too long for direct overlap between the orbitals of the two $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ to give the large

Hemocyanin

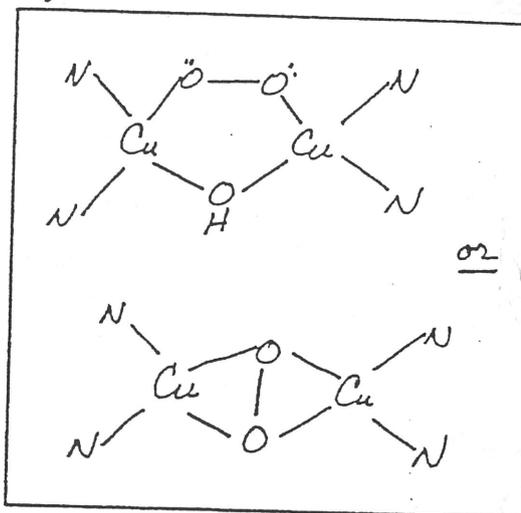
Deoxyhemocyanin

reactive form



- (a) no bridging ligand!
(Based on crystal structure at 3.2 Å)
A. Volbeda and W.G. Hol
J. Mol. Biol. (1989) 209, 249-279.

Oxyhemocyanin



- (a) $2Cu^{2+}$ (cupric) based on X-ray spectroscopy
- (b) No Cu^{2+} EPR
- (c) Magnetic susceptibility indicates strong antiferromagnetic coupling between the two $Cu(II)$ ions to form $S_{total} = 0$ ground state with the triplet ($S=1$) higher in energy than the singlet by $> 600 cm^{-1}$.
- (d) EXAFS indicates that two $Cu(II)$ are 3.6 Å apart, too long for direct overlap between the orbitals of the two $Cu(II)$ to give the large

Structure

Oxy hemocyanin
(continue)

exchange interaction. So anti ferromagnetic coupling must involve a superexchange pathway through a bridging ligand. There is no evidence of a bridging ligand in deoxy hemocyanin, so the superexchange pathway must be formed upon dioxygen binding and oxidation of the binuclear copper site.

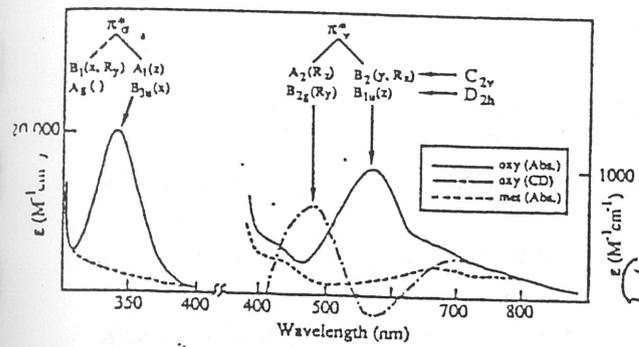


Figure 9. Electronic spectra of oxyhemocyanin: absorption and CD spectra of oxyhemocyanin and absorption spectrum of met hemocyanin, with assignments and selection rules for peroxide-to-copper charge transfer transitions (indicated by arrows) in the C_{2v} and D_{2h} dimer geometries.

(e) Interesting electronic spectrum.
Absorption:

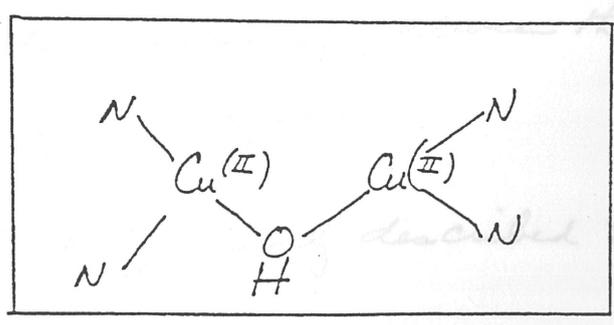
- $\lambda_{max} \sim 580 \text{ nm } (\epsilon \sim 1000 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1})$
- $\lambda_{max} \sim 350 \text{ nm } (\epsilon \sim 20,000 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1})$

CD

$\lambda_{max} \sim 480 \text{ nm } (\text{positive})$

Oxy hemocyanin
↓ Displacement of Peroxide

Met hemocyanin



- (a) binuclear cupric site
- (b) Cu(II)'s strongly antiferromagnetic coupled (based on X) ⇒ bridging hydroxide
- (c) No EPR
- (d) Weak d-d bands at 700 nm only.

Structure and electronic structure of Oxy hemocyanin

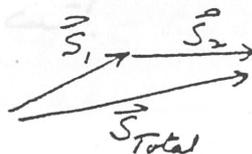
Much of what we presently know about the coordination chemistry (structure and bonding) of hemocyanin binuclear copper site pertains to the oxy form, since this appears to be the form that is most accessible spectroscopically (cf. interesting electronic spectrum). The oxy form is also the most interesting, because it is the oxy form of the binuclear copper cluster in tyrosinase that is important in the catalytic chemistry here, and we would like to delineate those structural/electronic features of the binuclear copper cluster that determine when the site behaves as a monooxygenase (as in tyrosinase) and when it behaves essentially as a reversible dioxygen carrier (as in the hemocyanins).

There have been 3 proposals for the structure of the binuclear copper site in oxy hemocyanin. I shall discuss each of these proposals in turn. Before doing so, let me first discuss the exchange coupling between the two Cu(II) ions in this form of the enzyme.

The exchange interaction is typically described by the spin Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{\text{exchange}} = -2J \vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2$$

Define $\vec{S}_{\text{Total}} = \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2$



Prp Since $(\vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2) \cdot (\vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2) = S_{Total}^2$ for oxy

$$2\vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2 = S_{Total}^2 - \hat{S}_1^2 - \hat{S}_2^2$$

$$\langle 2\vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2 \rangle = [S_{Total}(S_{Total} + 1) - S_1(S_1 + 1) - S_2(S_2 + 1)]$$

and $W_{exchange} = -2J \langle \vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2 \rangle$

$$= -J [S_{Total}(S_{Total} + 1) - S_1(S_1 + 1) - S_2(S_2 + 1)]$$

For 2 d⁹ Cu ions, $S_1 = 1/2, S_2 = 1/2$

$$S_{Total} = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$$\therefore W_{exchange} = -J [S_{Total}(S_{Total} + 1) - \frac{3}{2}]$$

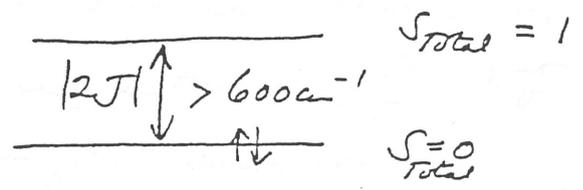
$W_{exchange} (\text{singlet}) = \frac{3}{2} J \quad \uparrow\downarrow$

$W_{exchange} (\text{triplet}) = -\frac{J}{2} \quad \uparrow\uparrow$

Antiferromagnetic coupling $\uparrow\downarrow$ ground state ($S_{Total} = 0$)
 $J < 0$

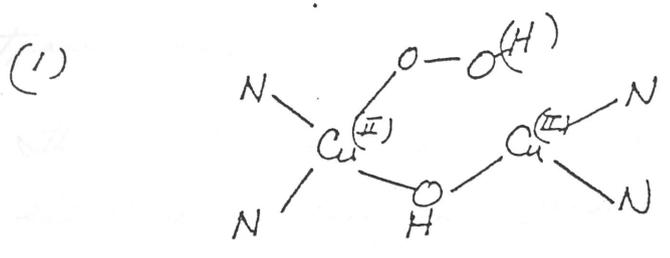
Ferromagnetic coupling $\uparrow\uparrow$ ground state ($S_{Total} = 1$)
 $J > 0$

For oxy hemocyanin,



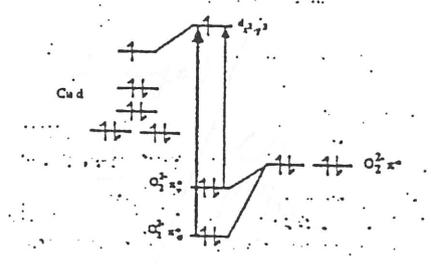
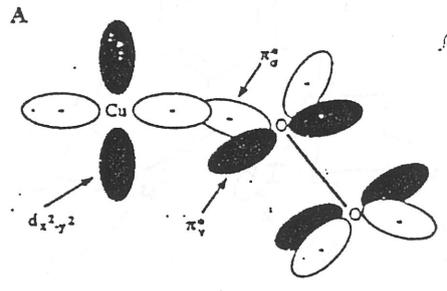
(e) π_{orb} J negative, and $|2J| > 6000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.
 π -bonding to Cu. Excitation of an electron from filled π_{orb} (MO) to half-filled Cu d-orbital (MO)

Proposed structures (or bonding schemes) for oxyhemocyanin binuclear copper site



Non-bridging end on hydroperoxide or peroxide

(a) require hydroxide bridge to mediate superexchange between two cupric ions.



(b) The highest occupied valence orbitals of peroxide are the π^* -degenerate set.

(c) This splits into a π_{σ}^* and π_{ν}^* upon interaction of peroxide with Cu dx^2-y^2 orbital.

The π_{σ}^* is oriented along the Cu-O bond and has significant σ overlap with the Cu(II) dx^2-y^2 orbital.

(d) Excitation of an electron from filled π_{σ}^* (MO) to half-filled dx^2-y^2 Cu orbital (MO) gives rise to a high energy intense $O_2^{2-} \pi_{\sigma}^* \rightarrow Cu dx^2-y^2$ charge transfer transition.

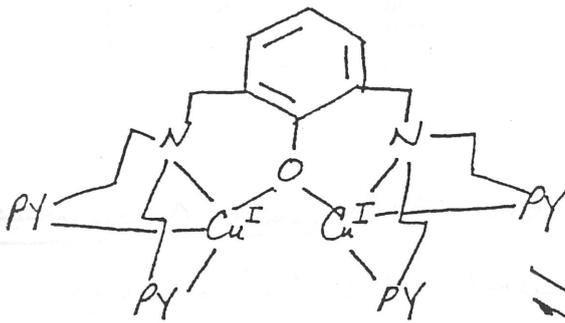
(e) π_{ν}^* is oriented perpendicular to Cu-O bond and π -bonding to Cu. Excitation of an electron from filled π_{ν}^* (MO) to half-filled Cu dx^2-y^2 orbital (MO)

is expected to lead to a $O_2^{2-} \pi^* \rightarrow Cu(II) dx^2-y^2$ charge transfer transition at lower energy and with much lower intensity than the $\pi^* \rightarrow$ charge transfer transition.

These predictions are not in accordance with the observed electronic spectrum of oxyhemocyanin! Thus, it is unlikely that the peroxide is bound to only one Copper ion end on

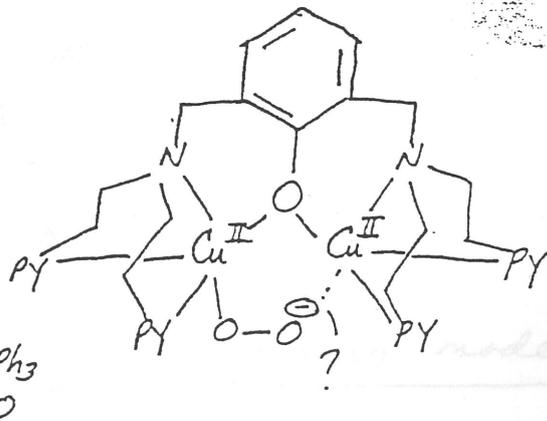
There is, however, a model oxyhemocyanin binuclear Copper cluster that exhibits these spectral features.

Kenneth Karlin (Cruse)
 Kenneth D. Karlin, R. W. Cruse, Y. Haye
 Gultneh, A. Farooq, J. C. Hayes
 and J. Zubietta
 Gultneh JACS 109, 2668-2679 (1987)



O_2
 $-80^\circ C, CH_2Cl_2$
 $Cu:O_2 = 2:1$

(Orange)
 $\frac{1}{=}$
 CO
 PPh_3



$Cu \cdots Cu$
 3.619 \AA

O_2
 $L = PPh_3$
 CO

$\frac{2}{=}$ dioxygen adduct

(intense purple color)

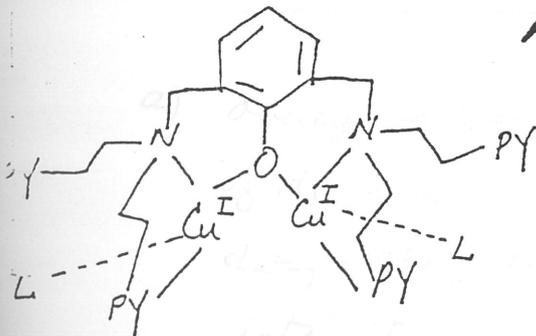
λ_{max}

$505_{nm} (\epsilon = 6000 \text{ cm}^{-1} M^{-1})$
 610 (Shoulder, $\epsilon = 2100$)

$385 (\epsilon = 2900)$

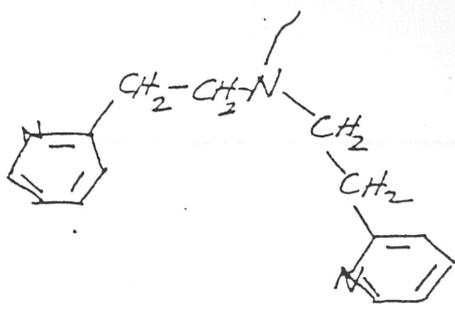
$790 (\epsilon = 700)$

$925 (\epsilon = 600)$

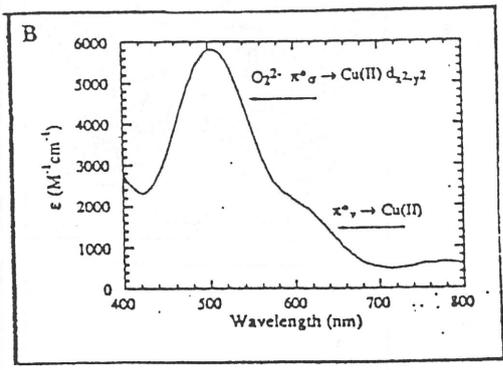


$L = CO$
 PPh_3
 $\frac{3}{=}$

Ligand



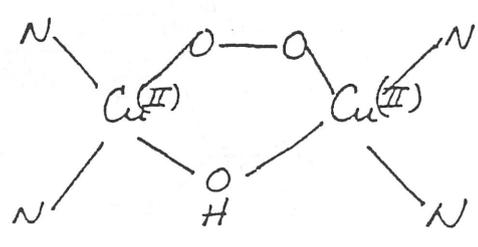
Absorption spectrum



Charge transfer absorption spectrum of peroxide bound to a single Cu(II)

Resonance Raman data indicate that peroxide is bound to only one Cu(II) in the Marlin compound. ¹⁶O-¹⁶O intraperoxide stretch 800 cm⁻¹

(2)



Bridging end-on cis- μ -1,2 peroxo model

- a) overlap with second Cu(II) stabilizes the π_{σ}^* orbital of the peroxide, increasing the energy of the $\pi_{\sigma}^* \rightarrow Cu(II)$ dx^2-y^2 charge transfer transition and increasing the intensity. This interaction also significantly raises the energy of $dx^2-y^2 + dx^2-y^2$ orbital vs a vs $dx^2-y^2 - dx^2-y^2$ orbital
- b) HOMO ($dx^2-y^2 - dx^2-y^2$) relatively non-bonding relative to peroxide