

Orgel diagrams:

Plotting of Splitting energy versus energy of the field and it is qualification for the assignments of d-d spectra of d-block complexes

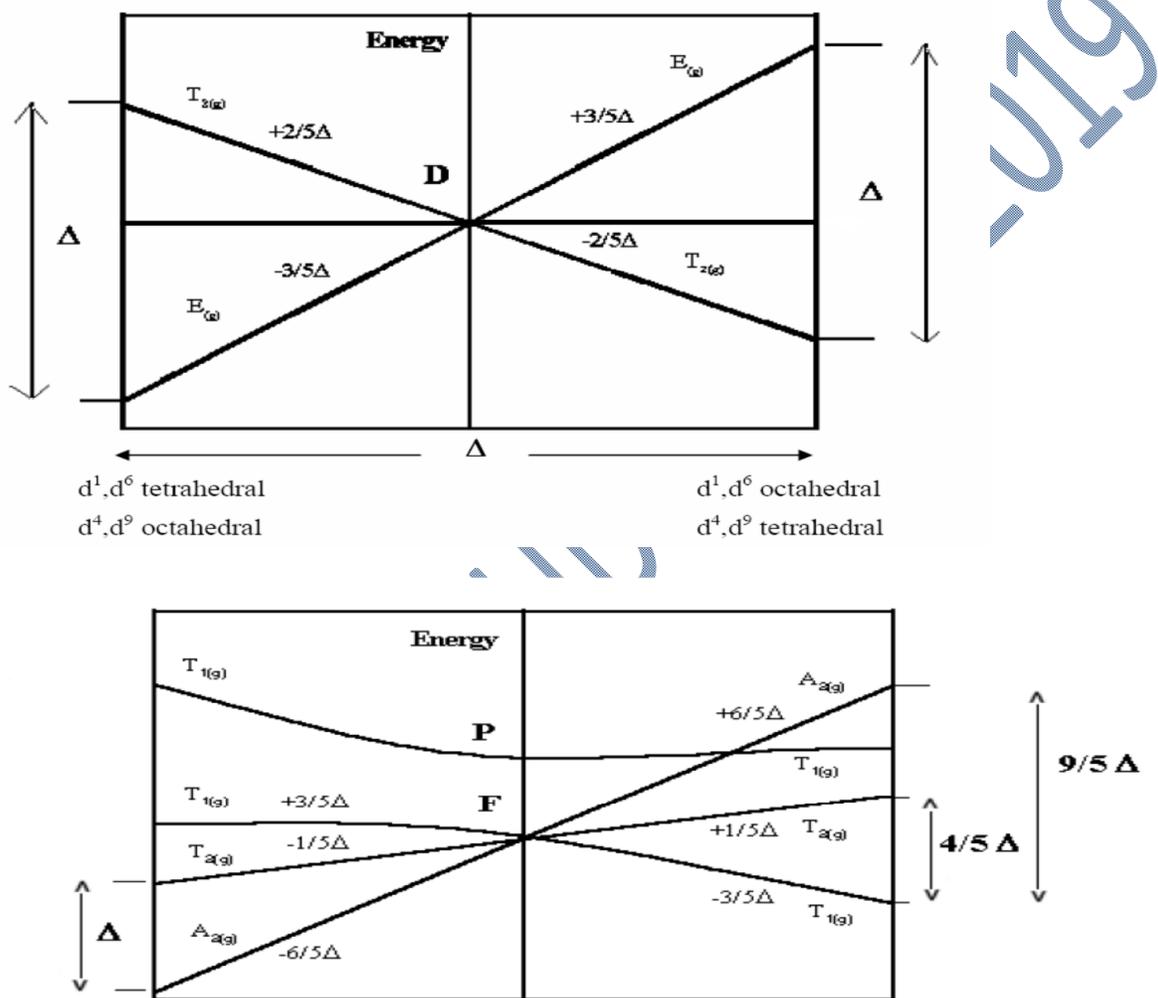


Figure 1. Orgel diagram for some states in d-block

Tanabe-Sugano diagrams:

Appear much more "busy" than Orgel diagrams because they contain all terms arising from a configuration, not just terms of highest spinmultiplicity.

Appear different than Orgel diagrams because they use the ground symmetry state as a straight-line horizontal base, whereas Orgel diagrams place the parent term in a central location and direct ground symmetry states below it. Appear "split" for d_4, d_5, d_6, d_7 cases because both low and high spin symmetry states are included. Consequently, these diagrams appear to be discontinuous - having two parts separated by a vertical line. The left part pertains to the weak field /high spin condition and the right to strong field/ low spin.

First note why d_1 and d_9 cases have no T-S diagrams. A term description for an atom/ion is more informative than its electron configuration because terms account for e-e repulsion energies. However there is no e-e repulsion for one "d" electron so the d_1 configuration gives rise to a single term, 2D . In Oh and Td ligand fields this single term is split into T_{2g}, E_g , or E, T_2 symmetry states respectively. Only one absorption band is expected and energy of the observed band gives the Δ_o or Δ_{Td} value directly. No calculations are necessary, so no T-S diagram for d_1 (and d_9).

Table(1). Splitting of terms for d^n configuration.

Configuration Free	G, S	Energy level	Predicted
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ion		Diag	assignments
d^3	F^4	Reverted b	$\nu_1=10 Dq$ $\nu_2=18Dq-x$ $\nu_3=12Dq+15B' +x$
d^7	F^4	(b)	$\nu_1=8Dq$ $\nu_2=18Dq$ $\nu_3=6Dq+15B'$
d^8	F^3	Reverted (b)	$\nu_1=10 Dq$ $\nu_2=18Dq-x$ $\nu_3=12Dq+15B' +x$
d^9	D^2	Inverted (a)	$\nu_1=10Dq$

Also to measure the tendency of metal ion to form a complex Jorgenson rule have been used, the g factors provide an estimate of the value of $10Dq$ for an octahedral complex when combined with the f value for the appropriate ligands:

$$10Dq = f \text{ ligand} \times g \text{ ion} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

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Transition element	Value of g	Ligands	Value of f
Cr^{3+}	17.7	Cl^-	0.78
Co^{2+}	9.00	Tartaric acid	1.14
Ni^{2+}	8.7	H_2O	1.00
Cu^{2+}	12.5		

In units of k ($k=1000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$).

If all three transitions are observed, it is a simple matter to assign a value to B' , since the following equation must hold; (B' is in cm^{-1} units).

$$15B' = \nu_3 + \nu_2 - 3 \nu_1 \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

The *nephelauxetic* ratio β is given by:

$$\beta = B'/B \dots\dots\dots(3) \text{ Where 'B' is Racah parameter.}$$

Example calculation for chromium(III) complexes:

Two bands are observed within the range of measurement. They have

maxima at 17605 and 23419 cm⁻¹. these are spin- allowed laporteforbidden d-d transfers. Chromium is in the +3 oxidation state, so this is a d³ system. Reference to Orgel diagram Figure (4-2) informs that three bands are expected and they can be assigned as:

$$\nu_1 = 4A_{2g}(F) \rightarrow 4T_{2g}(F)$$

$$\nu_2 = 4A_{2g}(F) \rightarrow 4T_{1g}(F)$$

$$\nu_3 = 4A_{2g}(F) \rightarrow 4T_{1g}(P)$$

Δ_o is taken to equal the absorption energy of 17605 cm⁻¹, and the intersect on the x-axis of Tanabe-Sugano diagram equal Δ_o/B . and by drawing a vertical line from this point it will intersect with other allowing electronic state of Tanabe-Sugano diagram for d³.

There are several goals sought in analyzing spectra using Tanabe-Sugano diagram:

1- To make correct band assignments. The two bands observed could be the first and second, or the second and third. Their assignment cannot be made by inspection.

2- To determine the magnitude of the ligand field splitting parameter, Δ_o

3- To determine the magnitude of the e-e repulsion parameter (called a *Racah B parameter*).

Assumes bands are the first and second (so third band is not observed).

Compare the two results. Tanabe-Sugano diagrams are unit less graphs showing energy ratios. The abscissa shows values for the ratio Δ_o/B (i.e., ligand field splitting parameter / e-e repulsion parameter).

Step (1): the calculated ratio of experimental band energy is: E (ν_2), E (ν_1),

$$\Delta/B \text{ intersection with } 4T_{2g} \text{ at } (E/B) = 32$$

$$\Delta/B \text{ intersection with } 4T_{1g} \text{ at } (E/B) = 42.53$$

$$B \text{ via } \nu_1 = 17605 \text{ cm}^{-1} / 32.00 = 550 \text{ cm}^{-1}.$$

$$B \text{ via } \nu_2 = 23419 \text{ cm}^{-1} / 42.53 = 550.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}.$$

$$\text{Then } B = 550.3 \text{ cm}^{-1}.$$

$$B \text{ free-ion} = 918 \text{ cm}^{-1}.$$

To determine the ν_3 ; Δ/B intersection with $4T_{1g}(P)$ at $(E/B) = 86.47$

$$\nu_3 = 86.47 \times 550 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$= 37702.7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$= 265.23 \text{ nm}$$

And by using the equations of splitting of term for d³ in Table (A-2), we can determine the B^0 and β as following:

$$\nu_1 = 10 Dq.$$

$$17605 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 10 Dq$$
$$Dq = 1760.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

