

THE PHOTOEXCITATION AND PHOTOLUMINESCENCE OF THE  
CRYSTALLINE OCTAHEDRAL COMPLEX COMPOUND OF  
MANGANESE (II) CHLORIDE WITH 3,5-LUTIDINE HYDROCHLO-  
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*Abstract:* In the present paper the experimental and theoretically calculated results are reported on the energy structure of the complex compound of  $\text{MnCl}_2$  with 3,5-lutidine hydrochloride, in which the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ion is in octahedral symmetry. The excitation spectrum was recorded and all ligand field bands were identified. The Racah parameters B and C, the ground terms, the energy level diagram and the ligand field strength parameter of this complex were calculated. The photoluminescence spectrum was measured, and the effect of temperature on its parameters is analyzed. A configurational coordinate diagram is given for the ground state and for the lowest excited state.

### 1. Introduction

Manganese (II) chloride combines with 3,5-lutidine hydrochloride to give two crystalline complex compounds, one of which has the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ion in tetrahedral symmetry and exhibits a green luminescence (the compound being denoted by LUT 2), while the other has the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ion in octahedral symmetry and displays a red photoluminescence (the compound being denoted by LUT 1). Both complex compounds exist only in crystal form.

The photoexcitation and photoluminescence of LUT 2 have already been investigated<sup>1)</sup>. The results obtained have confirmed the proposed mechanism of excitation and luminescence of this type of complex in which the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ion is the luminescence center<sup>2-3)</sup>.

In the present paper the experimental and theoretical results are presented concerning the photoexcitation and photoluminescence of the complex compound with the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ion in octahedral symmetry.

## 2. Experimental

The procedure for the preparation of the complex compound LUT 1 is similar to that for the preparation of the corresponding tetrahedral complex compound LUT 2<sup>1)</sup>.

The excitation spectrum was recorded at liquid nitrogen temperature, while the phosphorescence spectra were measured in the temperature range of  $-22.8^\circ$  to  $+88.7^\circ$  C.

The experimental procedure is the same as in investigating the complex compound LUT 2<sup>1)</sup>. Also in LUT 1 it has experimentally been corroborated that the transition giving rise to emission is made between states of different multiplicity (phosphorescence).

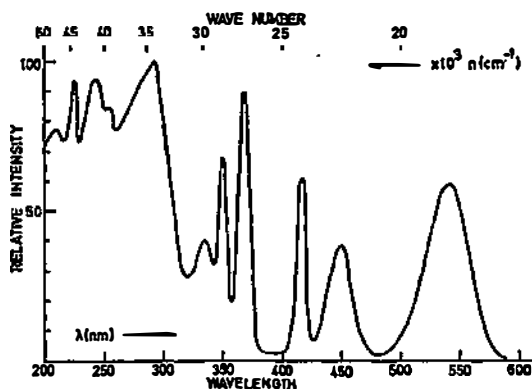


Fig. 1. Excitation spectrum of complex LUT 1 for  $\lambda_{em} = 640$  nm at a temperature of 77 K.

## 3. Results and discussion

*Excitation spectrum.* The structure and position of excitation spectral bands are independent of the wavelength of the emitted radiation. The excitation spectrum was measured for emission peak ( $\lambda_{max} = 640$  nm) (Fig. 1).

All the bands characteristic of excitation transitions of  $d^5$  configuration (the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  central ion benign in octahedral symmetry) were identified (see Table). The spectrum was interpreted in terms of the Orgel weak field matrix for quartet levels  $d^5$  <sup>2,7)</sup>. The Racah parameters B and C were calculated, and the energy level diagram was determined for their ratio  $C/B = 5.259$  (Fig. 2). The value of the  $C/B$  ratio is larger than those determined by Tanabe and Sugano, Griffith and Stout<sup>4)</sup>. The best fit value of the ligand field strength parameter  $10 Dq$  is  $7300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . This is a value larger by a factor of 2 than that for LUT 2.

Table 1 shows the values of ground terms ( $10 Dq = 0$ ), experimental and calculated positions of excitation bands and their corresponding deviations. The

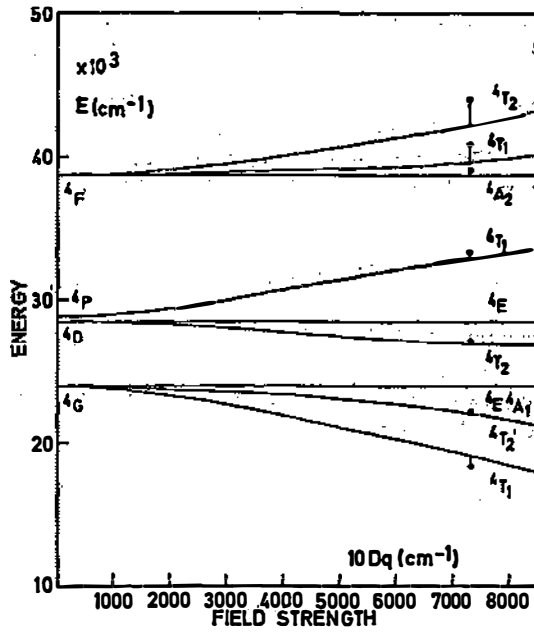


Fig. 2. Energy level diagram ( $C/B = 5.259$ ).

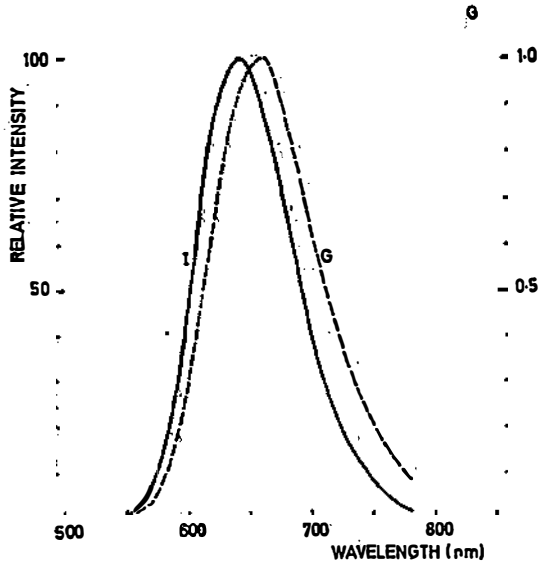


Fig. 3. Photoluminescence spectrum (I) and the distribution function of the matrix factor of dipol transition (G) of complex LUT 1 for  $\lambda_{exc} = 540$  nm at  $T = 293$  K.

peaks at 210 and 275 nm originate from 3.5-lutidine, while the charge transfer band is at 335 nm, just as in LUT 2 (332 nm) (see Fig. 1).

*Emission spectrum.* The photoluminescence spectrum of LUT 1 consists of a narrow band with a peak at 640 nm (Fig. 3) the position of which is temperature independent in the temperature range of  $-22.8^\circ$  to  $+88.7^\circ\text{C}$ .

The maximum radiation intensity varies with temperature according to the Mott-Seitz law

$$I = 608.4 / [1 + 75.2 \exp(-3319/T)],$$

with a maximum relative deviation of the best fit value of 5.2%. Hence the activation energy for quenching is  $W = 0.286$  eV.

As the temperature increases, so does the half-width of emission band. By fitting to Payen's formula<sup>3)</sup> one gets

$$1/L^2 = 0.2 \cdot 10^{-2} \tanh(102.7/T) + 0.11 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ (cm}^2\text{)},$$

Table

Quar- tet terms	Calculated position (10 Dq = 0) in $\text{cm}^{-1}$ (nm)	Level in $O_d$ symmetry	Experimental positions of excitation bands $n_1$ in $\text{cm}^{-1}$ (nm)	Calculated po- sitions of exci- tation bands $n_2$ (10 Dq = 7300 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in $\text{cm}^{-1}$ (nm)	$n_2 - n_1$ $10^3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (nm)
$^4G$	23943 (417.7)	$^4T_1(G)$	18433 (542.5)	19074 (524)	+ 0.641 (- 18.5)
		$^4T_2(G)$	22222 (450)	22045 (453.6)	- 0.177 (+ 3.6)
		$^4E, ^4A_1(G)$	23952 (417.5)		
$^4D$	28595 (349.7)	$^4T_2(D)$	27210 (367.5)	27007 (370.3)	- 0.203 (+ 2.8)
		$^4E(D)$	28571 (350)		
$^4P$	28896 (346.1)	$^4T_1(P)$	33333 (300)	32874 (304.2)	- 0.459 (+ 4.2)
$^4F$	38802 (257.7)	$^4A_2(F)$	39063 (256)	38805 (257.7)	- 0.258 (+ 1.7)
		$^4T_1(F)$	40984 (244)	39714 (251.8)	- 1.270 (+ 7.8)
		$^4T_2(F)$	44248 (226)	42267 (236.6)	- 1.981 (+ 10.6)
$B = 659.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , $C = 3470 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ( $C/B = 5.259$ ), $10 \text{ Dq} = 7300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .					

with a maximum relative deviation of the best fit value of 11.4%. Hence the frequency of the excited state is  $\nu_e = 0.428 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

The constants  $a$  and  $m$  were determined for the distribution function of the matrix factor of transition  $G(1/\lambda) = \lambda^6 I_\lambda$  (Figs. 3 and 4). The ratio  $a/m$  is approximately constant for all temperatures ( $a/m = -2.09 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$ ).

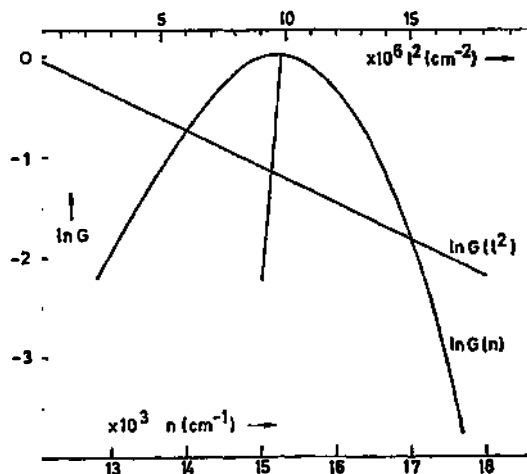


Fig. 4. The  $\ln G$  — versus  $1/\lambda$  curve and  $\ln G$  — versus  $t^2$  curve at a temperature of 293 K for complex LUT 1.

*Configurational coordinate diagram.* The temperature variation of the emission spectrum parameters makes it possible to present the energy scheme of the emission center  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  in the complex compound LUT 1 by the single configurational coordinate method<sup>5,6</sup>. Since the ratio  $a/m$  is constant, the following characteristics of configurational parabolas were found by the well-known procedure:

- minimum of the potential energy  $U_e$  of the  ${}^4T_1(G)$  level  $U_0 = 2.21 \text{ eV}$ ;
- configurational coordinate of the minimum of the  $U_e$  curve  $R_0 = 0.19 \text{ \AA}$ ;
- configurational coordinate of thermal desactivity  $R_1 = 0.58 \text{ \AA}$ ;
- fundamental frequency of the ground state  $\nu_0 = 0.813 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ;
- wave number of the absorption peak  $1/\lambda_{ab} = 18431 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

The equations of the configurational parabolas (Fig. 5) of the ground state ( $U_k$ ) and of the  ${}^4T_1(G)$  state ( $U_e$ ) read

$$U_0 = 7.42 R^2 \text{ (eV)}; \quad U_e = 2.06 R^2 - 0.79 R + 2.29 \text{ (eV)}.$$

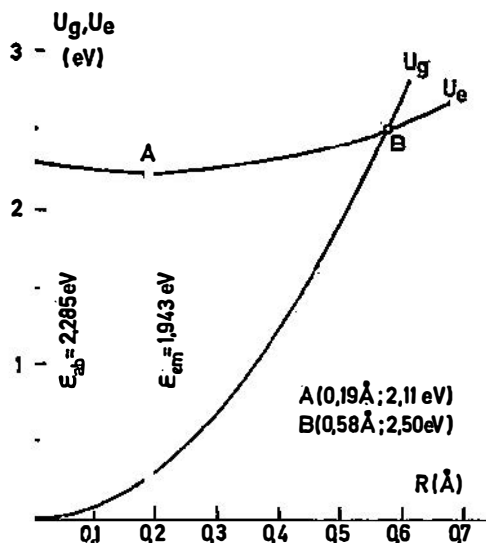


Fig. 5. Configurational coordinate diagram for complex LUT 1.

The experimentally obtained excitation peak for the  ${}^4T_1(G)$  level is  $1/\lambda_{ex} = 18433 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , which is in good agreement with the absorption peak of the configurational curves.

The Stokes separation between the excitation and emission peaks of complex LUT 1 is  $2808 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and, according to Furlani's criterion<sup>3)</sup>, is an experimental confirmation that in this complex the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  ion is in octahedral symmetry.

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FOTOEKSCITACIJA I FOTOLUMINISCENCIJA KRISTALNOG  
OKTAEDARSKOG KOMPLEKSA MANGAN (II) HLORIDA  
SA HIDROHLORIDOM 3.5-LUTIDINA

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Sadržaj

U radu su referisani eksperimentalni i teorijski rezultati o energetskej strukturi kompleksa  $MnCl_2$  sa hidrohloridom 3.5-lutidina, sa jonom  $Mn^{2+}$  u oktaedarskoj simetriji.

Izmeren je ekscitacioni spektar i identifikovane sve trake ligandnog polja. Izračunati su Racah-ovi parametri B i C, osnovni termovi, energetske dijagram i jačina polja ovog kompleksa.

Izmeren je također fotoluminescentni spektar i analiziran uticaj temperature na njegove parametre a prikazan je i konfiguracioni dijagram za osnovno  ${}^4A_1(S)$  i najniže pobuđeno stanje  ${}^4T_1(G)$ .