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Analytical and Kinetic Investigation of Azo dye Arsenazo(III) as Copper(II) Derivative by Using Spectroscopic Methods

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Abstract

In this research paper Cu(II) complex of Azo dye Arsenazo(III) was synthesised with dye molecule acting as ligand and copper ion acting as central metal. All analytical and kinetic studies of the complex were carried out at absorbance maximum 610 nm of the complex. Optimisation of complexation conditions was done and on the basis of study of change in temperature and pH, 40 °C and pH 3.0 were selected. Results obtained in Mole ratio method and Jobs method of continuous variance corresponded to stability constant (K) value as 5.48 and 5.44 respectively with 1:1 ratio of metal:ligand in the complex. Other kinetic parameters like molar absorptivity coeff. of complex $\epsilon = 2.7 \times 10^3 \text{ l mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ with Beer's law range $1.306 \times 10^2 \mu\text{g/ml}$ to $9.792 \times 10^2 \mu\text{g/ml}$, coefficient of variance 1.250 and relative standard deviation % is $\pm 1.21\%$. were also calculated from the calibration curve data.

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1. Introduction

Use of spectroscopic technique for the determination of contents of azo dye mixtures is not at all simple due to the spectral interferences caused by overlapped absorption bands. Arsenazo, an important commercial dye is a pseudo octahedral Co(II) complex which contains 1-nitroso-2-naphthol-6-sulfonate (NNSH) in the deprotonated state (NNS-) as a bidentate ligand (Ali et al. 2020; ; Chung 2016; Jauberty et al. 2016; Liang and He 2016).

Stability constants are most used method by chemist to determine the properties of metal-ligand reactions in water and biological systems (Manobala et al. 2019; Bhardwaj et al. 2017; Niazi et al. 2007; Jauberty et al. 2013; Mossalamy 2009). The extent of formation or tendency to get transformed, of a particular species is indicated by its thermodynamic stability. Whereas the speed of the kinetic stability of a species refers to the speed with which transformations leading to the attainment of equilibrium will occur.

The purity of Arsenazo-III dye in commercial market is approximately 50% and also it is unstable in acidic solution, hence green colour of dye get disappeared (Serenjeh et al. 2016; Golmohammadi et al. 2012; Lu et al. 2004; Hogendoorn et al. 2018) in acidic medium. The wavelength of maximum absorption of commercial

Arsenazo-III in aqueous solution is 540 nm.

2. Experimental

2.1. Instrumentation

For *UV-Visible spectral* study , Elico model no SL-159 double beam spectrophotometer was used in Department of Chemistry, Vivekananda Global University Jaipur

Elicomodel no 111E (glass electrode) *pH meter* was used for observation of pH.

Metaler Toledo model no AB 204-S *electrical balance* was used for accurate measurement of amount of metal.

2.2. Reagents

Preparation of Arsenazo-III solution-

Arsenazo-III with graded purity was purchased from LOBO Chemie. Standard solution of Arsenazo-III was prepared by dissolving accurately weighed 0.776 g using 100 ml double distilled water. The resulting solutions were filtered through whatman filter paper no.42 to avoid impurities.

Preparation of metal solutions-

A standard solution of copper nitrate pentahydrate containing 1mg of metal per ml was prepared by accurately weighing and dissolving metal compounds in acidic solutions. The solutions was standardized by standard methods. Solutions of required strengths were obtained from standard stock solutions by suitable dilution.

3. Preliminary Studies

To determine the nature of complex formed, different sets with variable proportion of metal, Cu(II), with Arsenazo(III) were prepared as per details mentioned in table 1. Absorbance of each set was measured in the wavelength range

500-650nm using UV-Visible spectrophotometer and obtained results are summarized graphically in figure 1 for Cu(II): Arsenazo (III) complex. Maximum absorbance wavelength λ_{max} for Cu(II): Arsenazo (III) complex is 610nm as is clearly visible in figure 1.

Table 1: Composition of mixtures

Mixture	Final Concentration = 2.0×10^{-5}		Ratio M:L
	Metal solution(in ml)	Arsenazo-III solution (in ml)	Metal ion: Arsenazo(III)
A	0.00	4.00	0:1.0
B	8.00	4.00	1:0.5
C	4.00	4.00	1:1.0
D	2.00	4.00	1:2.0
E	1.33	4.00	1:3.0

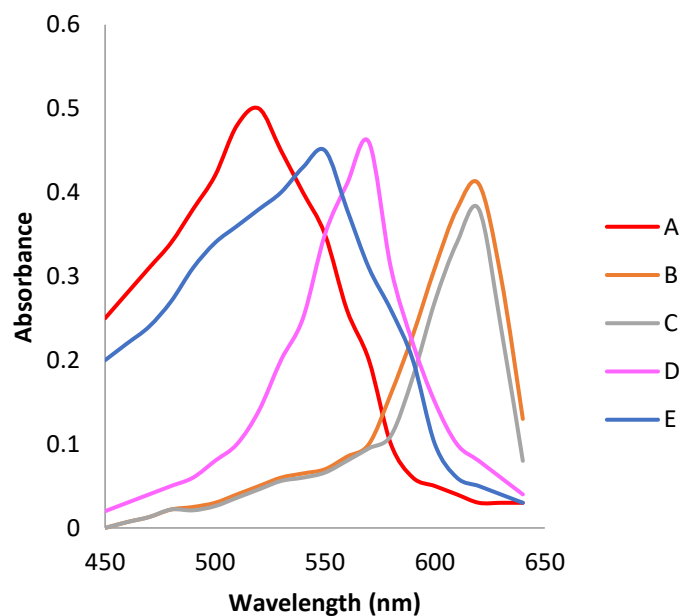


Figure 1: UV-Visible absorbance spectrum of Copper(II): Arsenazo III complex at various compositions

From figure 1 it is evident that the region of maximum absorbance of Arsenazo III is

at wavelength 540 nm and there is a sharp shift of the curves due to complex

formation whereby λ_{max} shifts to 580 nm., which is considered to be the region of the maximum absorbance of the complex. In curve B and C this is true but in curve D and E where Arsenazo III is in excess, the wavelength of maximum absorbance of the chelate shifts that of the Arsenazo III alone. These results indicate that only one complex having λ_{max} 580 nm is formed under the condition of study.

4. Calibration Data and Validation

Calibration data for Arsenazo(III) was measured by preparing set of solutions

with variable concentration of Arsenazo(III) keeping concentration of metal, Cu(II), constant and following the standard procedure.

Calibration data summarized in table 2 for arsenazo(III) copper complex shows good agreement in the concentration range $1.306 \times 10^2 \mu\text{g/ml}$ to $9.792 \times 10^2 \mu\text{g/ml}$ of Arsenazo(III) with molar absorptive coefficient of complex as $2.7 \times 10^3 \text{ l mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ with coefficient of variance 1.250 and relative standard deviation % is $\pm 1.21\%$.

Table 2: Calibration data Arsenazo(III): Cu(II) Complex

S.No.	Weight Taken Arsenazo(III) (in μg)	Average Weight found Arsenazo(III) (in μg)	C.V	%R.S.D
1	1.306×10^2	1.208×10^2	0.750	0.979
2	1.632×10^2	1.534×10^2	0.600	0.972
3	1.926×10^2	1.926×10^2	1.067	0.326
4	2.285×10^2	2.285×10^2	0.000	0.000
5	2.611×10^2	2.578×10^2	1.250	0.642
6	2.938×10^2	2.938×10^2	0.000	0.000
7	3.264×10^2	3.264×10^2	0.000	0.000
8	3.590×10^2	3.656×10^2	1.081	0.653
9	3.917×10^2	3.949×10^2	0.833	0.236
10	4.243×10^2	4.243×10^2	0.000	0.000
11	4.570×10^2	4.537×10^2	0.714	0.326
12	4.896×10^2	4.896×10^2	0.000	0.000
13	5.222×10^2	5.222×10^2	0.000	0.000
14	5.549×10^2	5.5516×10^2	0.588	0.468
15	5.875×10^2	5.875×10^2	0.000	0.000
16	6.201×10^2	6.201×10^2	0.000	0.000
17	6.521×10^2	6.561×10^2	0.500	0.360
18	6.854×10^2	6.919×10^2	0.952	0.856
19	7.181×10^2	7.115×10^2	0.909	0.652
20	7.507×10^2	7.475×10^2	0.435	0.732
21	7.834×10^2	7.768×10^2	0.833	0.846

22	8.160×10^2	8.127×10^2	0.400	0.318
23	8.486×10^2	8.486×10^2	0.000	0.000
24	8.813×10^2	8.812×10^2	0.000	0.000
25	9.139×10^2	9.172×10^2	0.357	1.216
26	9.465×10^2	9.531×10^2	0.689	0.894
27	9.792×10^2	9.824×10^2	0.333	0.562

5. Composition of Complex

The metal:ligand ratio in Cu(II) complexes of Arsenazo (III) was confirmed using spectral method, namely Mole ratio method and Continuous variance Job's method. The concentration of both metal and dye was kept as 2.0×10^{-5} M

5.1. Mole Ratio Method

A series of solutions flasks are organized wherein the metal ion concentration, Cu^{2+} , was kept fixed and that of the ligand Arsenazo(III) was changed. Absorbance of each flask was recorded at absorbance maximum of Arsenazo-Cu(II) i.e 580 nm. Plot with absorbance on Y-axis and mole ratio of reagent at X-axis was then plotted as shown in figure 2 for Cu(II)-

Arsenazo(III) complexes respectively. For the complexes, a curve with a positive slope is obtained till mole ratio value one after which there is no increase. This indicates that metal has been used up entirely at mole ratio one and further addition of ligand (Arsenazo (III) dye) produce no more complexation. Hence Cu(II):Arsenazo complex composition is 1:1 by mole ratio method.

For calculating the value of stability constant (K) we use :

$$K = (1-\alpha) / \alpha^2 C$$

here α gives the degree of dissociation and C is the concentration of the complex. For Cu(II)-Arsenazo(III) complex 5.48 value of log K is obtained as per mole ratio plot.

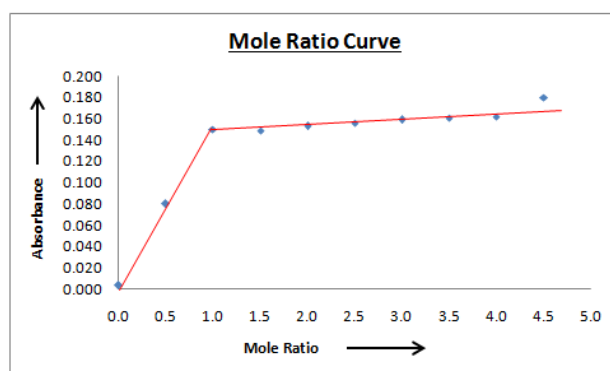


Figure 2: Mole ratio Plot of Cu(II): Arsenazo (III) complex

5.2. Job's Method of Continuous Variance

A sequence of solutions were prepared with total volume of metal ion and Arsenazo(III) as constant 10 ml and variable proportions i.e., 0–10, 1–9, 2–8, 3–7 10–0. Thus solutions are mixed in such a method that concentration in totality (C) of Arsenazo(III) C_x and metal ion C_m is maintained persistent and merely their ratios are varied.

$$C_x + C_m = C$$

Absorbance of individual set of solution was evaluated at the absorbance maximum of complex. Plot of absorbance and mole fraction of ligand (C_x/C) was then plotted as shown in Figure 3 for the complexes. On extrapolation curve gives point of intersection (n). Configuration of Cu(II): Arsenazo(III) complexes is 1:1. Value of stability constant K as obtained from Job's method of continuous variation plot was found to be 5.44 for Cu(II): Arsenazo(III) complex.



Figure 3: Job's method Plot of Cu(II): Arsenazo(III) complex

6. Effect of Temperature

The effect of change in temperature on the complexation of Copper (II) with Arsenazo(III) was examined by recording the absorbance with variation in temperature from 20°C to 80°C of an equimolar mixture of the metal and ligand. In case of Cu(II)-Arsenazo(III) complex

the absorptivity remains constant when temperature of the aqueous solution was varied from 30°C to 50°C as is visible in plot figure 4. Beyond this range the absorptivity of the complex decreased as a result of decomposition of the complex. All observations were thus carried out at 40°C ($\pm 5^\circ\text{C}$).

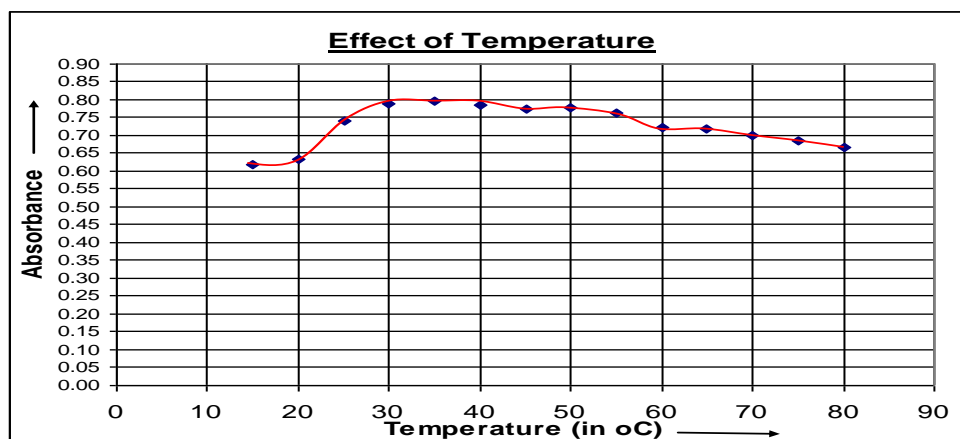


Figure 4 :Effect of change in temperature on Cu(II): Arsenazo(III)complex

7. Effect of Change in pH

The influence of pH on complex was determined by recording the absorbance of complex at different pH at λ_{max} of complex. It was found that the absorbance of Cu(II)-Arsenazo(III) complex at 610nm is the same between pH 2.0 to 4.5 .This indicates that the suitable pH range for the photometric determination of copper with Arsenazo III is 2.0 to 4.5 on this basis pH 3.0 were selected in this study.

8. Conclusion

Calibration data show that molar absorptivity coeff. of Arsenazo(III):copper complex is ϵ $2.7 \times 10^3 \text{ l mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$. Complex follow the Beer Lambert's law in the range $1.306 \times 10^2 \mu\text{g/ml}$ to $9.792 \times 10^2 \mu\text{g/ml}$. The method can be used to determine Arsenazo(III) in various water samples. This method can be used for

testing quality of effluent samples using Arsenazo(III) for dyeing .

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