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Title of the unit: Reaction

Kinetics and mechanism.

Module name: Trans effect with respect

to square planar platinum complexes.

Outlines of the model:

Definition of the trans

effect Trans effect series.

Theories of trans effect

mechanism of trans effect.

And application of trans effect

for synthesis of isomers

of square planar complex.

The learning outcomes at the end of

this module: student will be able

to explain the concept of trans

effect and trans effect series.

Understand different theories

explaining Trans effect.

Explain the mechanism of trans effect in square planar substitution.

Also described the application of trans effect for synthesis of cis or trans isomer of square planar complex.

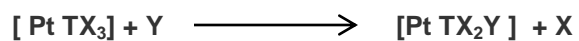
The important feature of substitution reaction is square planar complex is the non label ligand that are trans to the leaving ligand.

The legand trans to the leaving group in square planar complex may influence the rate of substitution.

They may also play an important role in the type of isomer obtained.

The ability of an attached group to direct substitution into a position trans to itself is called trans effect.

Consider a general square planar substitution reaction.



The product is again a square planar complex.

Now any of one of the three ligands X

can be replaced by the entering ligand Y

The ligand X that is replaced can be either

cis or trans to ligand T, leading to either cis or trans.

Orientation of Y with respect to

T in the product.

The proportion of cis or trans

product varies appreciably with

the nature of ligand.

ligands that strongly favor

trans substitution to give a

product in the reaction are said to be

strong Trans directing Ligand and.

A strong Trans Director ligand

T promotes more rapid substitution of

the ligand trans to itself than

it does to ligand cis itself.

Now the Trans effect series.

The series of ligands arranged

in the order with respect to their  
tendency to be strong trans director  
is known as Trans Effect series.

If T is a strong Sigma donor ligand or  
 $\pi$  acceptor ligand then it greatly  
accelerates substitution of ligand  
that lies trans to it.

The rough order of ligand with  
increasing trans effect is as below.

The order are also roughly the  
order of increasing overlap of the  
ligand orbital with either Sigma  
or a Pi 6P orbital of platinum.

thus greater the overlap  
stronger is the trans effect.

Let's not consider the different  
theories of trans effect.

The stability of ground state  
and the activated complex both  
affect the activation energy  
required for substitution reaction.

As a result,  
any factor affecting the stability of  
ground state and the activated complex will  
influence the trans effect.

Accordingly, there are two theories.

1<sup>st</sup> Polarization theory.

2nd is the Pi bonding theory.

The former relates to the  
ground state and the latter  
to the activated complex.

Now let's consider first  
the polarization theory.

It was given by Greenberg who first  
attempted to explain trans effect.

This theory is related to the  
stability of the ground state.

It is postulated that.

The primary charge on the metal ion  
polarizes the electron cloud on the ligand T  
and induces a  
dipole moment in it.

The dipole moment on T in turn induces  
dipole moment in metal(M).

The orientation of the dipole  
in the metal ion is such that it  
repels the negative charge in the  
ligand X trans to ligand and T.

This can be shown in a figure like  
this.

As a result, the ligand X is  
less attracted to the metal ion  
due to the presence of ligand T.

The magnitude of trans effect of T and  
its polarizability

are monotonically related. Now.

this is largely correct for ligand

and which do not form  $\pi$  bond

with the metal such as  $H^-$ ,  $I^-$ ,  $Cl^-$

Thus trans effect is directly related

to polarization of the ligand and

now let's consider the second theory.

The  $\pi$  bonding theory.

This theory explains the trans effect of ligand, which are strong  $\pi$  acceptor or  $\pi$  acids.

For example, carbonyl or alkynes.

It relates the tendency of the ligand T to remove the orbital electron density

on metal by  $\pi$  bonding, to the magnitude of their trans effect.

For substitution reaction in square planar, it suggests that a transition state with trigonal bi pyramidal geometry.

This transition state geometry is stabilized.

if empty  $\pi$  orbitals,

that is either p, d or  $\pi$  antibonding

ligands of T, overlap with

nonbonding filled d  $\pi$  orbitals

of the metal to form a  $\pi$  bond.

The activated complex that is a

trigonal bi pyramidal trans –  $\text{MX}_3\text{YL}$  is shown in the figure below.

There's a metal complex metal line here.

This is a ligand (T) which is trans director.

See incoming ligand is Y

This is a ligand which is trans to the leaving group.

Now, because of this M-T pi interaction,

the electron density from the dxz

orbital of the metal line is drawn away

from the incoming nucleophile, Y

Thus the trigonal bipyramidal

transition state is stabilized.

Hence, strong pi acceptor ligand

greatly accelerated the substitution

of ligand that lies trans to it.

Now let's consider the steric course of

ligand substitution in square planar complex.

The incoming ligand Y results

in the formation of a trigonal

bipyramidal 5 coordinated intermediate.

The ligand and X1 and X2 occupy

axial position.

So X1 and X2 are the ligaments

which are not leaving.

Where as X is the ligand which is  
leaving group and ligand T in the  
complex is a strong trans director

The entering ligand Y and the leaving  
ligand X and the trans ligand  
T which is the trans director ligand  
shared the equatorial position of the  
trigonal bipyramidal intermediate.

The new ligand Y in the  
final product occupies position  
vacated by the leaving group.

The reaction sequence can  
be summarized as follows.

So we have the trans director, ligand T.

This is X ligand and which is

Leaving, while X1 and X2 are not leaving.

now Y is the substituting ligand.

Forming a trigonal bi pyramidal complex.  
The trans Director Ligand T and

the leaving ligand and the incoming

ligand Y occupy Equatorial position.

But as the other two ligands

occupy axial position. Finally.

X leaves and the incoming ligand Y

occupies a position Trans to T ligand.

Now let's consider the application

of trans effect in synthesis of

isomers of square planar complex.

Now consider the synthesis

of cis and trans isomer of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]^{2+}$

Diammine dichloride Platinum

The cis isomer is

obtained by treatment of.

$[\text{Pt Cl}_4]^{2-}$  ion with ammonia.

Because Chloro has greater trans

directing effect than ammonia,

the incoming ammonia will not substitute.

In the transformation

to the existing ammonia.

It occupy a position cis to

the existing ammonia.

The reaction can be summarized as follows.

If we start with tetrachloro platinate  
then the first ammonia will just  
substituting so you have one position  
occupied by ammonia. The 2nd ammonia which  
comes will not occupy a position  
trans to chloro since it is more  
trans directing so it is going to  
substitute a chloro trans to it.

Finally the product is cis  
isomer of the platinum.  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]^{2+}$   
complex so the system will be favored.

Now the trans isomer of platinum, diamine  
difluoro platinum  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2]^{2-}$  is prepared by treating  $[\text{Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{4+}$

Tetra ammine platinum complex with chloride ion.

The chloride ion has a greater

Trans effect than ammonia,

so the first chloride ion directs the second

incoming chloride to its trans position.

This actually can be summarized as follow,

So if we start with the tetrammine  
complex of platinum.

The first chloro occupies  
one of the place by replacing  
one of the Ammonia, 2<sup>nd</sup> chloro.  
will occupy a position trans to  
the first chloro. Since  
Chloro is stronger trans directing  
then ammonia and the final product is  
a trans isomer of platinum.

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