



## Voltammetric Solvation Study for the Interaction of CuBr<sub>2</sub> with Oxalic Acid in KBr Solution at 180C Using Glassy Carbon Electrode

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### Abstract

The electrochemical behaviour for CuBr<sub>2</sub> was studied in 0.1M KBr in absence and presence of different oxalic acid concentrations as ligand. The mechanism for the reduction and oxidation for CuBr<sub>2</sub> in absence and presence of oxalic acid ligand were examined. The scan rates were done for the redox reaction of CuBr<sub>2</sub> in absence and presence of oxalic acid for explanation of the type for the electrochemical reaction under consideration. Stability constants and complexation Gibbs free energies for the interaction of CuBr<sub>2</sub> with oxalic acid were evaluated from the experimental part and their values were discussed.

## 1. Introduction

The heavy metal ions known as pollutants and their interaction by electrochemical methods are interesting [1-6]. Some metal ions can be examined by the reduction at different cathodic materials [6, 7]. In this work, the estimation and evaluation of electrochemical voltammetry energies of CuBr<sub>2</sub> in 0.1 M KBr were studied to explain the redox mechanism. The binding of any copper salt with ligands is treated as remediation of copper ions in vitro and vivo [7]. Copper in big quantity cause headache, nose irritation, mouth and eye irritation. It can damage the kidney and liver [7]. Copper is the biggest third abundant metal ions in human body [8]. Excess of copper may cause vomiting and diarrhea [7, 8].

## 2. Experimental

The chemical CuBr<sub>2</sub>, KBr are of highly pure from sigma Aldrich Company. Oxalic acid from Adwic company was also used. All chemicals not pre-treated to prevent any harmful effect on them. Conductivity deionized water was used with its conductance value of 2.7  $\mu\text{s}$ . N<sub>2</sub> flow was done for 10 minutes to remove the dissolved oxygen for each run made. (G C E) glassy carbon electrode was prepared in our laboratory by joining pure carbon piece with copper wire and covered with heat shrink polymer to isolate it for different ions

migration. The glassy carbon electrode (G C E) is polished well before each run with  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  on wool piece. The electrode area is  $0.502\text{cm}^2$ .

### 3. Results and Discussion

#### 3.1. Cyclic Voltammetry of $\text{CuBr}_2$ in Absence of Oxalic Acid

The cyclic voltammetry for the redox behaviour of  $\text{CuBr}_2$  in 0.1M KBr of 18°C was studied in range of from 0.6 to -0.8V. The reduction process proceeds in the range 0.6 to -0.8 V and the oxidation in the range -0.8 to 0.6V. Studying the effect of scan rate was done and presented in Figure 1 change of Cu(II) to Cu(O) by the two reduction steps at 0 V and -0.42 V are clear in Figures 1 & 2. One electron mechanism was suggested for each reduction step.  $\text{CuBr}_2$  shows also two oxidation peaks at -0.18V and 0.2V indicating the reverse of the reduction process as explained in next suggested mechanism:



The electrochemical kinetic parameters like electron transfer rate constant  $k_s$ , cathodic surface coverage ( $\Gamma_c$ ), anodic surface coverage ( $\Gamma_a$ ), cathodic quantity of electricity ( $Q_c$ ), anodic quantity of electricity ( $Q_a$ ), diffusion coefficients for anode and cathode and  $\alpha_{n_a}$  are presented in Table 1 & 2 [8-20]. The data given in Table (1& 2) indicates the increase in all kinetic parameters by more adding  $\text{CuBr}_2$  in solution favouring more diffusion controlled reductions.

From scan rate effect the different kinetic parameters mentioned before was done and listed in Table 3& 4 explaining also with Figure 2 that the reactions under or redox system is quasi reversible and diffusion controlled reaction.

#### 3.2. Electrochemical Behaviour of $\text{CuBr}_2$ in Presence of Oxalic Acid as Complexing Agent

We used oxalic acid as ligand by different concentrations ranging from  $9.523 \times 10^{-4}$  to 0.0103 M.

By increasing oxalic acid concentration shift in  $\text{CuBr}_2$  waves specially reduction waves to more negative potentials. Also positive potential shift in oxidation peaks are observed indicating complex behaviour observed and complexation interaction between oxalic acid and copper bromide.

New reduction wave was observed at approximately 0.45V which is suggested as complex of oxalate wave. This wave or peak happens at more positive potentials indicating the ease of its formation.

The stability constant and Gibbs free energies of complexation were calculated and their values represented in Table 5 & 6. These data are obtained from  $\text{CuBr}_2$  wave analysis for the first reduction wave with the first oxidation peak. Also the second reduction peak with the second oxidation peak.

The obtained thermodynamic parameters evaluated are representing in Table 7 & 8.

The scan rate wave studied and from Figure 4 supported the quasi reversible and diffusion control of redox reaction under consideration.

On drawing the relation between  $\frac{ipa}{ipc}$  versus scan rate ( $v$ ) for complex 1:1 (molar ratio) we can support the diffusion controlled system of redox reactions.

For more calculations, the stability complexation constant ( $B_c$ ) and the Gibbs energies of complexation ( $G_c$ ) were evaluated following the redox peak and the data are given in Table 9 & 10.

From the data given in Table 9 & 10 we conclude complexation reaction between the salt and oxalic acid.

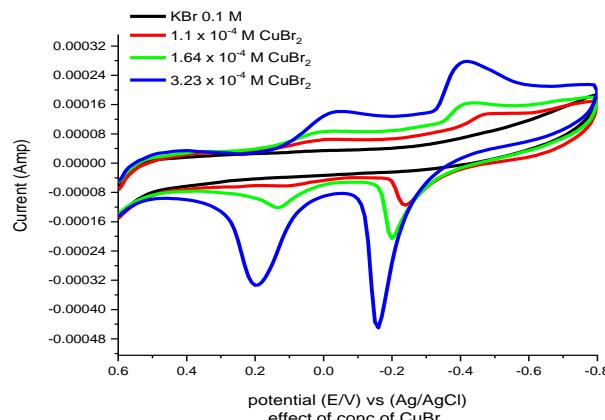


Figure-1. Cyclic voltammograms of different concentrations of  $\text{CuBr}_2$  in 0.1M KBr.

**Table-1.** Cyclic voltammetry data for CuBr<sub>2</sub> obtained from analysis of the first couple waves in 0.1 M.

ml of Metal	[M] x10 <sup>-4</sup>	Ep,a (volt)	Ep,c (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	-ipa x10 <sup>-4</sup> (Amp)	ipc x10 <sup>-5</sup> (Amp)	-ipa/ ipc	Da x10 <sup>-8</sup>	Dc x10 <sup>-10</sup>	Epc/2	αna	ks x10 <sup>-6</sup>	Γc x10 <sup>-9</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Qc x10 <sup>-5</sup>	Γa x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(-) Qa x10 <sup>-5</sup>
0.4	1.1	- 0.23717	2.2874E-05 0.23719	- 0.779	4.12294 6874	0.564065	3.32	0.067903901	0.688209575	0.589	1.25577	0.951	-0.517745 3.92	-	-	
0.6	1.64	- 0.19974	-0.001436 -0.1983	1.49 3.83	3.88761 1437	0.922958	6.11	0.075147348	0.610006663	1.63	2.54139	1.92	-0.987994 7.48	-	-	
1.2	3.23	- 0.15533	- 0.0403252	- 0.11501	4.26 11.6	3.68056 7157	1.95657	14.4	0.059939264	0.465931343	11.5	7.69068	5.82	-2.83061 21.4	-	-

**Table-2.** Electrochemical parameters of CuBr<sub>2</sub> in KBr media by analysis of the second couple of peaks at 291.15 K.

ml of Metal	[M] x10 <sup>-4</sup>	Ep,a (volt)	Ep,c (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	ipa x10 <sup>-5</sup> (Amp)	ipc x10 <sup>-5</sup> (Amp)	-ipa/ ipc	Da x10 <sup>-9</sup>	Dc x10 <sup>-10</sup>	Epc/2	αna	ks x10 <sup>1</sup>	Γc x10 <sup>-9</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Qc x10 <sup>-5</sup>	Γa x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(-) Qa x10 <sup>-5</sup>
0.4	1.1	0.109405 -0.4759611	0.585366 -1.51	0.60007 2.52	0.211 938	5.89	- 0.44102 695	1.3372690 69	1.38	1.67245	1.27	-0.100359 -0.760	-	-	-	-
0.6	1.64	0.136362 -0.4214486	0.557811 -6.54	1.58051 4.14	1.786 4509	7.15	- 0.38207 449	1.1864733 91	0.827	2.75047	2.08	-0.434716 -3.29	-	-	-	-
1.2	3.23	0.195592 -0.4159459	0.611537 -22.0	1.59476 13.8	5.194 2346	20.4	- 0.35701 114	0.7926791 51	3.32	9.14557	6.93	-1.4585 -11.0	-	-	-	-

**Table-3.** Scan rate kinetic parameters of CuBr<sub>2</sub> for the first peak at 291.15 K

v	v^(1/2)	ml adde d from M	M x10 <sup>-3</sup>	-Ep,a (volt)	-Ep,c (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	-ipa x10 <sup>-4</sup> (Am p)	ipc x10 <sup>-5</sup> (Am p)	-ipa/ ipc	Da x10 <sup>-11</sup>	Dc x10 <sup>-11</sup>	-Epc/2	αna	ks x10 <sup>-3</sup>	Γc x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Qc x10 <sup>-4</sup>	Γa x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(-) Qa x10 <sup>-4</sup>
0.05	0.2236067 98	1.2	1.6 1	0.1780580 59	0.4055080 7	227.4500 11	3.22	9.95	3.2326452 73	8.9 2	8.538 93	0.358470 49	0.9931712 47	2.6 0	1.32226 0	1.0 0	-4.27441 -3.24	-
0.02	0.1414213 56	1.2	1.6 1	0.1814020 84	0.3735751 53	192.1730 69	3.01	7.64	3.9341722 39	19. 5	12.58 49	0.332920 42	1.1491005 87	1.0 7	2.53812 7	1.9 2	-9.98539 -7.56	-
0.01	0.1 1	1.2	1.6 1	0.1451845 82	0.3679940 78	222.8094 96	4.17	11.6	3.5852291 72	75. 0	58.37 82	0.319359 87	0.9605662 09	2.7 3	7.73084 6	5.8 6	-27.7168 -21.0	-

**Table-4.** Scan rate kinetic parameters of CuBr<sub>2</sub> for the second peak at 291.15 K

v	v^(1/2)	ml added from M	M x10 <sup>-3</sup>	Ep,a (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	ipa x10 <sup>-4</sup> (Amp)	ipc x10 <sup>-5</sup> (Amp)	-ipa/ ipc	Da x10 <sup>-10</sup>	Dc x10 <sup>-11</sup>	Epc/2	αna	ks x10 <sup>-3</sup>	Γc x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Qc x10 <sup>-5</sup>	Γa x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/c m <sup>2</sup> )	(-)Qa 10 <sup>-4</sup>	
0.05	0.2236 06798	1.2	1.61	0.1850 63824	- 0.035491 563	220.555 3865	-2.07	6.75	3.06910 674	3.70	3.92454	0.0535 88131	0.5244 33472	1.12	0.896 419	6.79	-2.7512	-2.08
0.02	0.1414 21356	1.2	1.61	0.1862 40013	- 0.009595 429	195.835 4417	-1.68	3.32	5.07023 9441	6.10	2.37409	0.0633 00436	0.6408 64513	0.372	1.102 39	8.35	-5.58937	-4.23
0.01	0.1	1.2	1.61	0.2137 53827	0.000540 333	213.213 4943	-2.04	8.94	2.28272 2711	18.0	34.4686	0.0918 06432	0.5118 69941	1.26	5.940 37	45.0	-13.5602	-10.3

**Table-5.** Cyclic voltammetry data for Oxalic acid - CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex obtained from analysis of the first couple waves in 0.1 M.

ml of Ligand	[L] x10 <sup>-4</sup>	Ep,a (volt)	Ep,c (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	ipa x10 <sup>-4</sup> (Amp)	ipc x10 <sup>-5</sup> (Amp)	-ipa/ ipc	Da x10 <sup>-8</sup>	Dc x10 <sup>-10</sup>	Epc/2	αna	k <sub>s</sub> x 10 <sup>-2</sup>	Γc x10 <sup>-9</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Qc x10 <sup>-5</sup>	Γa x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(-)Qa 10 <sup>-4</sup>
0.3	0.8	- 0.25584	- 0.4776154	0.221779	-3.68	11.5	3.195726603	1.45769	14.3	- 0.4159 7888	0.7579 33405	1.17	7.645 29	5.79	-2.44323	-1.85
0.6	1.59	- 0.02906	- 0.2541887	0.225124	-4.62	9.45	4.885856274	2.29509	9.61	- 0.2131 0133	1.1370 01723	1.26	6.274 66	4.75	-3.06571	-2.32
0.7	1.85	- 0.01884	- 0.2563617	0.237522	-4.49	8.58	5.231597488	2.17122	7.93	- 0.2041 7525	0.8951 82833	1.30	5.699 66	4.32	-2.98183	-2.26
0.9	2.36	- 0.03474	- 0.2944109	0.259675	-4.62	9.67	4.780077086	2.30072	10.1	- 0.2414 744	0.8824 98832	2.26	6.421 39	4.86	-3.06947	-2.32

**Table-6.** Cyclic voltammetry data for Oxalic acid - CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex obtained from analysis of the second couple waves in 0.1 M.

ml of Ligand	[L] x10 <sup>-4</sup>	Ep,a (volt)	Ep,c (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	ipa x10 <sup>-4</sup> (Amp)	ipc x10 <sup>-5</sup> (Amp)	-ipa/ ipc	Da x10 <sup>-10</sup>	Dc x10 <sup>-10</sup>	Epc/2	αna	ks x10 <sup>-3</sup>	Γc x10 <sup>-9</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Qc x10 <sup>-5</sup>	Γa x10 <sup>-8</sup> (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(-)Qa 10 <sup>-4</sup>	
0.3	0.8	0.102352322	-	0.129539981	0.231892303	-2.33	7.81	2.988446399	5.87157	6.57	-0.01480769	0.407177199	7.14	5.18875	3.93	-1.55063	-1.17
0.6	1.59	0.32043734	0.059015852	0.261421488	-2.25	5.17	4.351156285	5.44593	2.88	0.167428463	0.430912718	8.74	3.43212	2.60	-1.49337	-1.13	
0.7	1.85	0.332309219	0.021059568	0.311249652	-1.96	2.92	6.723904263	4.14532	0.917	0.102439928	0.574049718	15.3	1.93771	1.47	-1.3029	-	0.987
0.9	2.36	0.326947691	0.040538909	0.286408782	-1.93	3.56	5.403273208	3.99763	1.37	0.152364759	0.417760053	9.75	2.36797	1.79	-1.27948	-	0.969

**Table-7.** thermodynamic parameters obtained from the first peak of oxalic acid-CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex

Ml of ligand	[L] X10 <sup>-4</sup>	(Ep,a)M	(Ep,a)C	ΔE mv	j	Log βj	ΔG (KJ/mol)	ΔH (KJ/mol)	ΔS (KJ/mol)
0.3	8.00E-05	-0.155331539	-0.25583682	0.100505281	0.25	4.493734173	-25.12001045	25.34085784	0.172840789
0.6	1.59E-04	-0.155331539	-0.029064641	0.126266898	0.5	6.258484448	-34.9849788	18.19531226	0.182155475
0.7	1.85E-04	-0.155331539	-0.018839231	0.136492308	0.583333333	6.889700905	-38.51348391	16.52830513	0.18853156
0.9	2.36E-04	-0.155331539	-0.034736254	0.120595285	0.75	6.883038331	-38.47624007	16.54430404	0.188458791

**Table-8.** thermodynamic parameters obtained from the first peak of oxalic acid-CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex

Ml of ligand	[L] X10 <sup>-4</sup>	(Ep,a)M	(Ep,a)C	ΔE mv	j	Log βj	ΔG (KJ/mol)	ΔH (KJ/mol)	ΔS (KJ/mol)
0.3	8.00E-05	0.1955915	0.102352322	0.093239178	0.25	-2.194448637	12.26698567	-51.89234185	-0.219761355
0.6	1.59E-04	0.1955915	0.32043734	0.12484584	0.5	6.20942863	-34.71075638	18.33905913	0.181708565
0.7	1.85E-04	0.1955915	0.332309219	0.136717719	0.583333333	6.897482237	-38.55698162	16.50965887	0.188616683
0.9	2.36E-04	0.1955915	0.326947691	0.131356191	0.75	7.254511691	-40.55277916	15.69713906	0.192669698

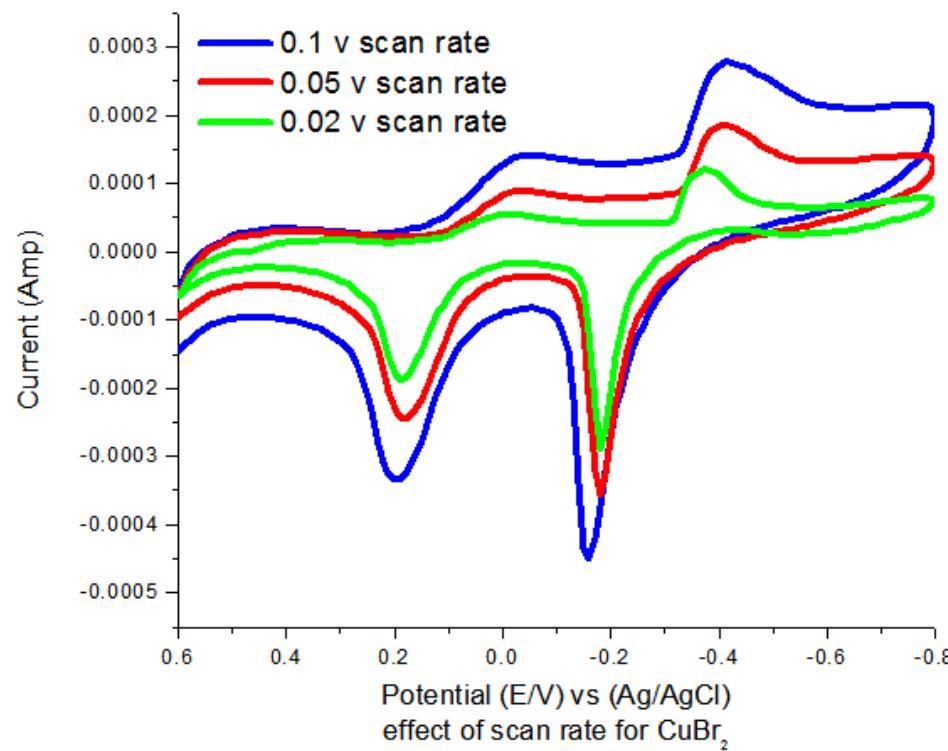
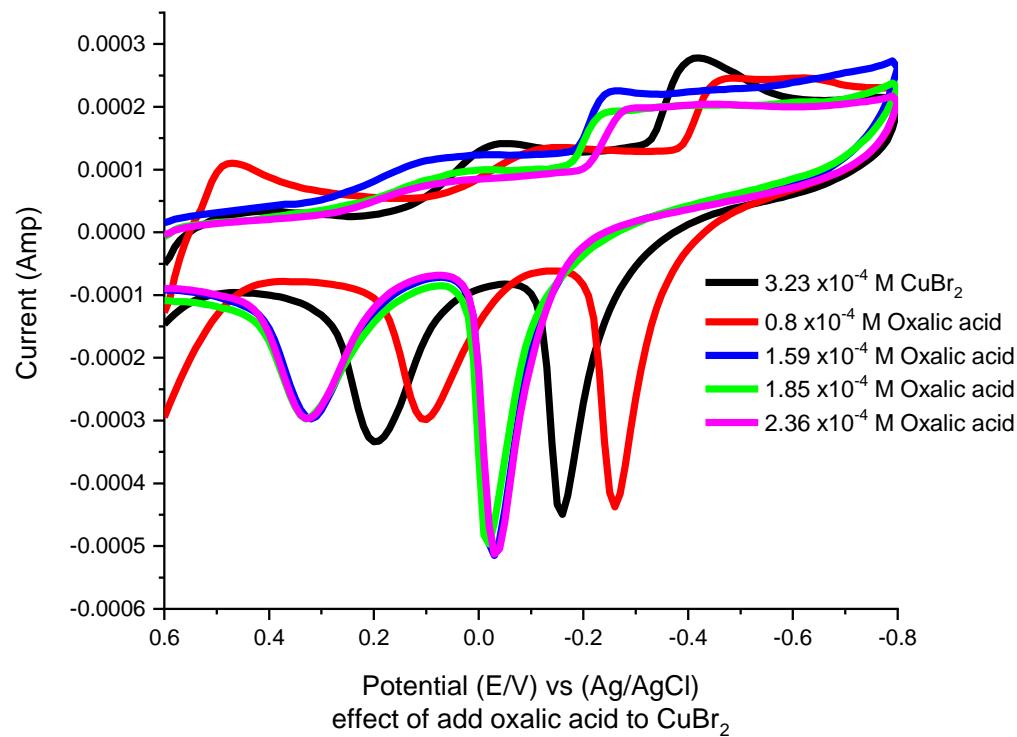


Figure-2. Effect of different scan rates on cyclic voltamogram of  $\text{CuBr}_2$ .



**Figure-3.** Effect of different concentrations of oxalic acid on the cyclic voltamogram of  $\text{CuBr}_2$ .

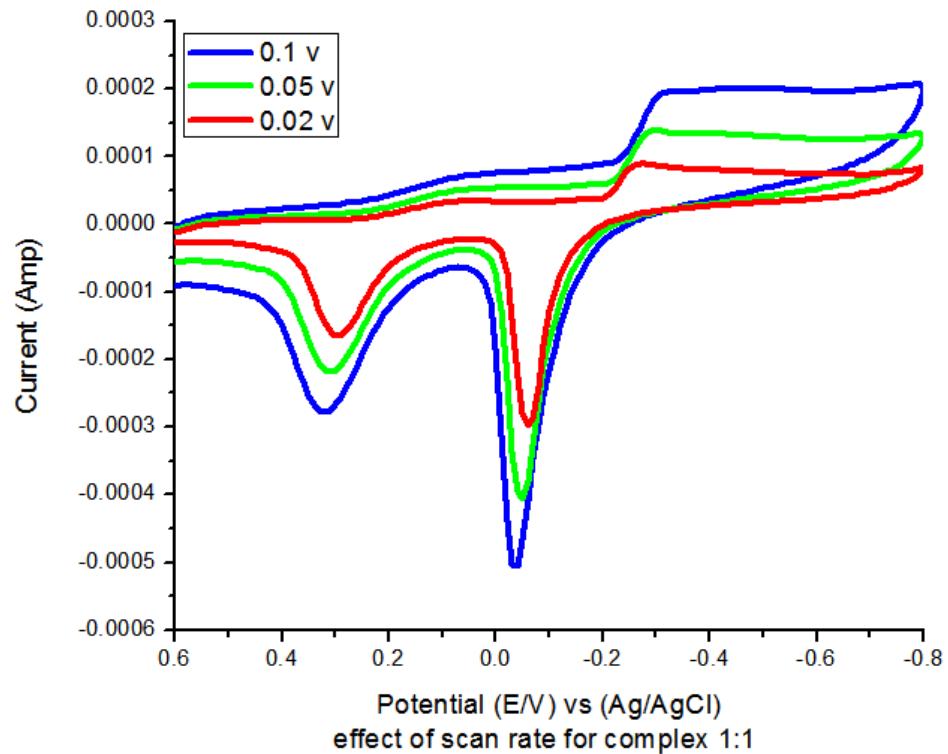


Figure-4. Effect of different scan rates on the cyclic voltamogram of oxalic acid + CuBr<sub>2</sub>.

Effect of different scan rates as seen in Figure 3 indicate the diffusion controlled reaction which decreases by the decrease in scan rate values.

**Table-9.** Cyclic voltammetry data of Scan Rates Oxalic acid and CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex for first couple of waves at 291.15 K.

v	v^(1/2)	ml added from M	M x10^-4	Ep,a (volt)	Ep,c (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	i <sub>pa</sub> x10^-4 (Amp)	i <sub>pc</sub> x10^-5 (Amp)	-i <sub>pa</sub> / i <sub>pc</sub>	D <sub>a</sub> x10^-8	D <sub>c</sub> x10^-8	Epc/2	αna	k <sub>s</sub> x10^-2	Γc x10^-8 (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Q <sub>c</sub> x10^-4	Γ <sub>a</sub> x10^-8 (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(-) Q <sub>a</sub> 10^-4
0.05	0.223606798	1.2	3.23	-0.048797293	-0.295931539	247.13	-3.91	8.00	4.885503275	3.29114	1.18933	-0.25016663	1.183799434	1.577	1.0627	0.805	-5.19182	-3.93
0.02	0.141421356	1.2	3.23	-0.064033542	-0.267851036	203.81	-2.98	4.74	6.301518508	4.79888	0.120851	-0.233770273	1.370754902	0.455	1.57305	1.19	-9.91257	-7.51
0.01	0.1	1.2	3.23	-0.033185921	-0.306026067	272.84	-4.97	10.5	4.728996576	26.5975	1.18933	-0.266562986	0.511869941	3.6984	6.97884	5.29	-33.0029	-25.0

**Table-10.** Cyclic voltammetry data of Scan Rates Oxalic acid and CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex for second couple of waves at 291.15K.

v	v^(1/2)	ml added from M	M x10^-4	Ep,a (volt)	Ep,c (volt)	ΔEp (volt)	i <sub>pa</sub> x10^-4 (Amp)	i <sub>pc</sub> x10^-5 (Amp)	-i <sub>pa</sub> / i <sub>pc</sub>	D <sub>a</sub> x10^-10	D <sub>c</sub> x10^-10	Epc/2	αna	k <sub>s</sub> x10^-3	Γc x10^-9 (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(+) Q <sub>c</sub> x10^-5	Γ <sub>a</sub> x10^-8 (mol/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(-) Q <sub>a</sub> 10^-4
0.05	0.223606798	1.2	3.23	0.308701313	0.065304612	243.396701	-1.50	3.15	4.750104674	4.82573	2.13873	0.159342368	0.496783153	4.00	4.18528	3.17	-1.98805	-1.51
0.02	0.141421356	1.2	3.23	0.294298648	0.074634865	219.6637832	-1.13	2.42	4.656409523	6.84191	3.15555	0.168540324	0.497483036	1.92	8.03811	6.09	-3.74287	-2.83
0.01	0.1	1.2	3.23	0.327533031	0.040381735	287.1512965	-1.98	3.54	5.585784971	42.1681	13.515	0.146945123	0.43839046	10.1	23.5255	17.8	-13.1409	-9.95

**Table-11.** Thermodynamic parameters for Oxalic acid-CuBr<sub>2</sub> at different scan rates of the first peak

Ml of ligand	[L] X10^-4	(Ep,a)M	(Ep,a)C	ΔE mv	j	Log βj	ΔG (KJ/mol)	ΔH (KJ/mol)	ΔS (KJ/mol)
0.9	2.36E-04	-0.155331539	-0.034736254	0.120595285	0.75	6.883038331	-38.47624007	76.1531196	0.392633532
0.9	2.36E-04	-0.145184582	-0.033185921	0.111998661	0.75	6.586277368	-36.81734388	81.04029714	0.403691183
0.9	2.36E-04	-0.181402084	-0.064033542	0.117368542	0.75	6.771649075	-37.85357323	75.98973334	0.389941108
0.9	2.36E-04	-0.178058059	-0.048797293	0.129260766	0.75	7.182176292	-40.14842369	61.76636997	0.34908304

**Table-12.** Thermodynamic parameters for Oxalic acid-CuBr<sub>2</sub> at different scan rates of the second peak

Ml of ligand	[L] X10^-4	(Ep,a)M	(Ep,a)C	ΔE mv	j	Log βj	ΔG (KJ/mol)	ΔH (KJ/mol)	ΔS (KJ/mol)
0.9	2.36E-04	0.1955915	0.326947691	0.131356191	0.75	7.254511691	-40.55277916	61.15049185	0.348358524
0.9	2.36E-04	0.213753827	0.327533031	0.113779204	0.75	6.647742842	-37.16093638	66.73196731	0.35585855
0.9	2.36E-04	0.186240013	0.294298648	0.108058635	0.75	6.450265137	-36.05703441	68.77499585	0.359075288
0.9	2.36E-04	0.185063824	0.308701313	0.123637489	0.75	6.988057154	-39.06329614	63.48215938	0.351243211

On comparing the different thermodynamic parameters .mainly the stability constants and Gibbs free energies of complex interaction [9-32] for the reaction of oxalic acid plus copper bromide by analysis of the two couples of peaks at different scan rates, we noticed almost equal values were obtained by analysis of the first and second couples of peaks as the data represented in Tables 11 & 12.

### 3.3. Quantum Chemical Calculations

The different quantum chemical calculation were done using Gaussian 09 program and set DFT B3LYP/6-311G method of calculation [29]. From the many obtained data we obtained the HOMO and LUMO energy levels for oxalic acid. The difference between the two mentioned energy levels gave the gap energy which is good and indicate its reactivity Appendix 1.

**Table-13.** Comparison between oxalic acid alone and oxalic acid-CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex thermal properties

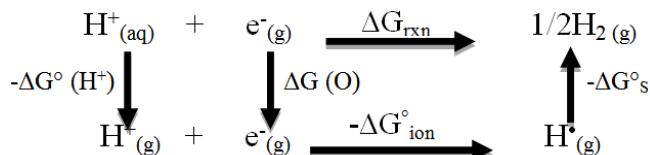
Thermal property	Oxalic acid	Oxalic acid-CuBr <sub>2</sub> complex
Dipole moment	0	4.9107 Debye
Quadrupole moment (XX)	-32.2683	-71.654
Octapole moment (XXX)	0	0.204
Hexadecapole moment (XXXX)	-36.7838	-19.1175
Translational energy	0.889 k.cal/Mol-K	0.889 k.cal/Mol-K
Heat capacity at constant volume (Cv)	2.981 cal/Mol.K	2.981 cal/Mol.K
Translational entropy	39.404 cal/Mol.K	42.314 cal/Mol.K

### 3.4. Comparison between Oxalic Acid and Oxalic Acid –CuBr<sub>2</sub> Complex in Thermal Properties.

The different thermal properties were evaluated from the theoretical calculation of the frequencies for both oxalic acid alone and oxalic acid-CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex quantum mechanically in water .The main data is summarized in Table 13 and the whole data are given in Appendixes 2 and 3. It was observed that the complex oxalic acid-CuBr<sub>2</sub> has greater dipole moment than that of oxalic acid alone indicate its activity. The quadrupole moment. Octapole moment, heat capacity at constant volume and translational entropy are greater for the complex oxalic acid –copper bromide ,the we can use as active agent in biological application. All the complex parameter facilitate its uses .Other parameters are given in Appendixes 2 and 3.

Absolute solvation free energy of hydrogen ion under complexing conditions of CuBr<sub>2</sub> + Oxalic acid:

Estimation of real solvation free energy of the proton and the value of ESHE which determined by the cycle [30]:



When we study the cycle given above we can estimate the ESHE the standard hydrogen electrode potential under our conditions applying equation (3) and the ΔG°ion under the complex reaction between CuBr<sub>2</sub> and oxalic acid.

$$E_{SHE} = -\Delta G/F \quad (3)$$

$$-\Delta G_{rxn} = \Delta G^{\circ}_{ion} + \Delta G^{\circ}_{atm} + \Delta G^{\circ}_s(H^+) = \Delta_f G^{\circ}(H^+) + \Delta G^{\circ}_s(H^+) \quad (4)$$

$$\Delta G^{\circ}_{ion} + \Delta G^{\circ}_{atm} = \Delta_f G^{\circ}(H^+) \quad (5)$$

The corresponding Δ<sub>f</sub>G°(H<sup>+</sup>) based on Fermi-Dirac statistics is 1095 kJ/mole [31, 32].

Applying the above cycle the solvation free energy for hydrogen ion ΔG°<sub>s</sub>(H<sup>+</sup>) can be calculated applying equation (4) for our results and gave values ranging from -1131kJ/Mol at scan rate 0.05 V/Sec to -1135 kJ/Mol at scan rate 0.01 V/Sec for interaction of CuBr<sub>2</sub> with oxalic acid in 0.1M KBr.This indicate that the scan rate has little effect of the solvation of hydrogen ion.The sum of ΔG°<sub>ion</sub> + ΔG°<sub>atm</sub> for hydrogen ion was evaluated by applying equation (5) and know that ΔG°<sub>atm</sub> is concluded in all measurements ,therefore the values of ΔG°<sub>ion</sub> + ΔG°<sub>atm</sub> indication about the ionic solvation free energy of hydrogen ion with values are ranging from 1056 KJ/Mol at 0.1M scan rate to 1135 KJ/Mol at scan rate 0.01 V/Sec.This indicate the complex formed from the interaction of CuBr<sub>2</sub> and oxalic acid decrease the hydrogen ion activity.The free energy of hydrogen ion is decreased when the complex is formed between the reaction of CuBr<sub>2</sub> and oxalic acid indicating the hydrogen ion is less movable than in medium without complex interaction..

It was also observed that many theoretical data for the complex studies are greater than that of oxalic acid alone. As example all the partition function data are greater for the complex than the used ligand specially the electronic and rotational partition functions which gave corresponding ally greater energy values.

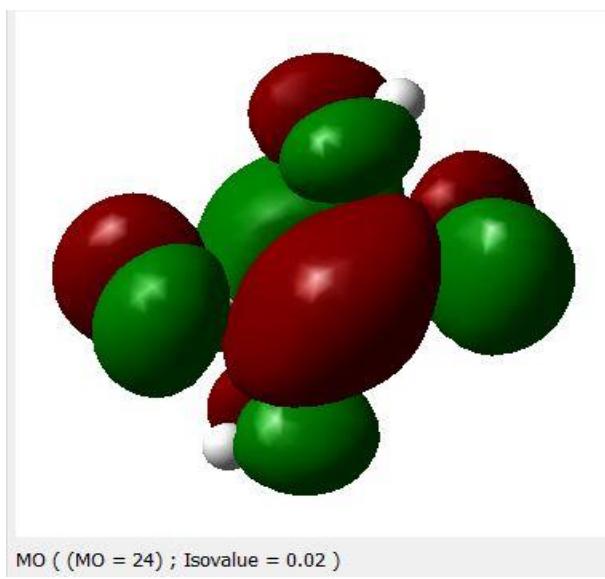
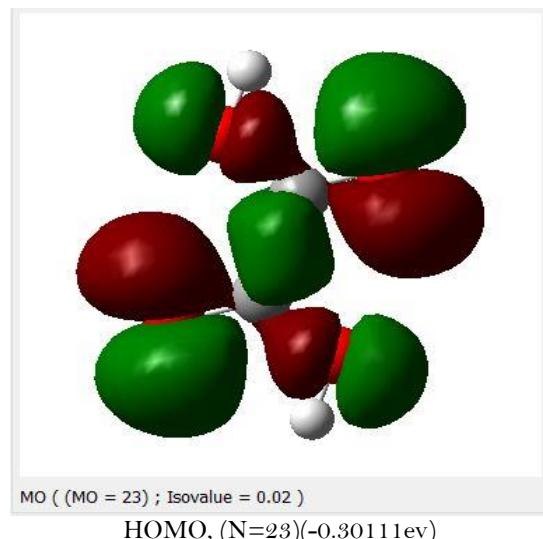
#### 4. Conclusions

$\text{CuBr}_2$  peaks are explained in absence and presence of oxalic acid as a ligand. Different solvation parameters were evaluated by analysis of the two couples of peaks for copper ions. The thermodynamic complexation properties were evaluated and found insure the complexation interaction between copper bromide and oxalic acid studied here.

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Appendix-1. HOMO & LUMO levels for oxalic acid.

**Appendix-2. Physical properties of oxalic acid alone.**

Dipole moment (field-independent basis, Debye):

X= 0.0000 Y= 0.0000 Z= 0.0000 Tot= 0.0000

Quadrupole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang):

XX= -45.9262 YY= -19.1403 ZZ= -32.2683  
XY= 1.3844 XZ= 0.0000 YZ= 0.0000

Traceless Quadrupole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang):

XX= -13.4813 YY= 13.3046 ZZ= 0.1766  
XY= 1.3844 XZ= 0.0000 YZ= 0.0000

Octapole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang\*\*2):

XXX= 0.0000 YYY= 0.0000 ZZZ= 0.0000 XY= 0.0000  
XXY= 0.0000 XXZ= 0.0000 XZZ= 0.0000 YZZ= 0.0000  
YYZ= 0.0000 XYZ= 0.0000

Hexadecapole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang\*\*3):

XXXX= -268.2226 YYYY= -167.5877 ZZZZ= -27.9062 XXXY= -36.7838  
XXXZ= 0.0000 YYXY= -6.8845 YYYZ= 0.0000 ZZZX= 0.0000  
ZZZY= 0.0000 XXYY= -102.5791 XXZZ= -43.7167 YYZZ= -58.0004  
XXYZ= 0.0000 YYXZ= 0.0000 ZZXY= -6.9493

N-N= 2.311045083462D+02 E-N=-1.350788684135D+03 KE= 3.749716196477D+02

Symmetry AG KE= 1.811837398941D+02

Symmetry BG KE= 8.499432461333D+00

Symmetry AU KE= 8.032598844166D+00

Symmetry BU KE= 1.772558484481D+02

Exact polarizability: 60.502 -2.061 50.158 0.000 0.000 27.232

Zero-point correction= 0.048716 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.054282

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.055226

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.019237

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -378.311469

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -378.305903

Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -378.304959

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -378.340948

	E (Thermal) KCal/Mol	CV Cal/Mol-Kelvin	S Cal/Mol-Kelvin
Total	34.062	18.538	75.744
Electronic	0.000	0.000	0.000
Translational	0.889	2.981	39.404
Rotational	0.889	2.981	24.923
Vibrational	32.285	12.576	11.417
Vibration 1	0.594	1.984	5.803
Vibration 2	0.675	1.727	1.590
Vibration 3	0.789	1.410	0.866
Vibration 4	0.794	1.399	0.850
Vibration 5	0.885	1.184	0.587
Vibration 6	0.977	0.995	0.421
	Q	Log10(Q)	Ln(Q)
Total Bot	0.141765D-08	-8.848430	-20.374263
Total V=0	0.362433D+14	13.559228	31.221276
Vib (Bot) 1	0.676668D-21	-21.169625	-48.744862
Vib (Bot) 2	0.681126D+01	0.833228	1.918578
Vib (Bot) 3	0.712891D+00	-0.146977	-0.338426
Vib (Bot) 4	0.407968D+00	-0.389373	-0.896565
Vib (Bot) 5	0.401807D+00	-0.395983	-0.911784
Vib (Bot) 6	0.301784D+00	-0.520303	-1.198043
Vib (Bot) 7	0.237511D+00	-0.624316	-1.437541
Vib (V=0) 1	0.172995D+02	1.238033	2.850677
Vib (V=0) 2	0.732959D+01	0.865080	1.991920
Vib (V=0) 3	0.137075D+01	0.136960	0.315362
Vib (V=0) 4	0.114532D+01	0.058927	0.135684
Vib (V=0) 5	0.114144D+01	0.057454	0.132293
Vib (V=0) 6	0.108402D+01	0.035035	0.080672
Vib (V=0) 7	0.105354D+01	0.022653	0.052160

Electronic 0.100000D+01 0.000000 0.000000

**Appendix-3.** Cu oxalate theoretical data.

Dipole moment (field-independent basis, Debye):

X= 0.0663 Y= 4.9102 Z= 0.0000 Tot= 4.9107

Quadrupole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang):

XX= -91.9474 YY= -114.3172 ZZ= -71.6546

XY= -0.2874 XZ= 0.0000 YZ= 0.0000

Traceless Quadrupole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang):

XX= 0.6923 YY= -21.6775 ZZ= 20.9852

XY= -0.2874 XZ= 0.0000 YZ= 0.0000

Octapole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang\*\*2):

XXX= 0.8198 YYY= 55.7168 ZZZ= 0.0000 XYY= 0.2044

XXY= 20.5202 XXZ= 0.0000 XZZ= 0.0291 YZZ= 1.9610

YYZ= 0.0000 XYZ= 0.0000

Hexadecapole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang\*\*\*3):

XXXX= -705.9591 YYYY= -3600.9243 ZZZZ= -59.2390 XXXY= -19.1175

XXXZ= 0.0000 YYX= -18.5880 YYZ= 0.0000 ZZZX= 0.0000

ZZZY= 0.0000 XXYY= -724.5780 XXZZ= -118.5522 YYZZ= -458.3488

Zero-point correction= 0.051032 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.063515

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.064459

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.009653

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -2394.538381

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -2394.525898

Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -2394.524954

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -2394.579760

	E (Thermal) KCal/Mol	CV Cal/Mol-Kelvin	S Cal/Mol-Kelvin
Total	39.856	42.355	115.348
Electronic	0.000	0.000	1.377
Translational	0.889	2.981	42.314
Rotational	0.889	2.981	31.566
Vibrational	38.079	36.393	40.090
Vibration 1	0.594	1.983	5.556
Vibration 2	0.594	1.981	5.210
Vibration 3	0.602	1.957	3.672
Vibration 4	0.604	1.949	3.463
Vibration 5	0.606	1.942	3.281
Vibration 6	0.628	1.870	2.358
Vibration 7	0.643	1.825	2.039
Vibration 8	0.658	1.778	1.796
Vibration 9	0.662	1.766	1.744
Vibration 10	0.691	1.677	1.428
Vibration 11	0.704	1.641	1.324
Vibration 12	0.725	1.581	1.180
Vibration 13	0.739	1.542	1.097
Vibration 14	0.788	1.414	0.872
Vibration 15	0.791	1.406	0.861
Vibration 16	0.806	1.367	0.804
Vibration 17	0.825	1.321	0.744
Vibration 18	0.945	1.058	0.471
Vibration 19	0.954	1.039	0.455
	Q	Log10(Q)	Ln(Q)
Total Bot	0.362864D-04	-4.440256	-10.224068
Total V=0	0.107895D+20	19.032999	43.825101
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Vib (Bot)	1 0.601198D+01	0.779018	1.793755
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Vib (Bot)	13	0.498781D+00	-0.302090	-0.695587
Vib (Bot)	14	0.410447D+00	-0.386743	-0.890508
Vib (Bot)	15	0.405957D+00	-0.391520	-0.901509
Vib (Bot)	16	0.384208D+00	-0.415433	-0.956571
Vib (Bot)	17	0.361154D+00	-0.442307	-1.018450
Vib (Bot)	18	0.257202D+00	-0.589726	-1.357894
Vib (Bot)	19	0.251126D+00	-0.600108	-1.381800
Vib (V=0)		0.210412D+05	4.323070	9.954236
Vib (V=0)	1	0.653274D+01	0.815095	1.876826
Vib (V=0)	2	0.557134D+01	0.745960	1.717636
Vib (V=0)	3	0.285251D+01	0.455227	1.048198
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Vib (V=0)	5	0.243960D+01	0.387319	0.891835
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Translational		0.145127D+09	8.161749	18.793122
Rotational		0.176665D+07	6.247150	14.384595