Studies on the Application of the Quinhydrone Electrode in Formamide. III\* The Ionization Constants and Related Thermodynamic Quantities of Phthalic Acid from E.M.F. Measurements at Different Temperatures

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## Abstract

The first and second ionization constants of phthalic acid have been determined, in formamide, at temperatures ranging from  $5^{\circ}$  to  $45^{\circ}$ C at  $5^{\circ}$  intervals, with the help of cells without liquid junction using quinhydrone and silver-silver chloride electrodes. By means of the Bjerrum equation, the distance r between the acidic groups has been estimated in formamide at different temperatures.

## Introduction

In a previous communication, we reported the first and the second ionization constants of phthalic acid in formamide at 25° from the study of cells

$$Ag-AgCl|KCl(m_3)$$
,  $KHPth(m_2)$ ,  $H_2Pth(m_1)$ ,  $QH_2-Q|Pt$ 

and

$$Ag-AgCl|KCl(m_3),\ K_2Pth(m_2),\ KHPth(m_1),\ QH_2-Q|Pt$$

In the present investigation, we have extended the studies to different temperatures, and now report the results over the temperature range  $5-45^{\circ}$ C. The distance r between the carboxylic groups has been estimated at different temperatures by using the Bjerrum equation for this solvent.

## Experimental

The purification of materials needed for the e.m.f. measurements and preparation of the various solutions has been described in our earlier articles.<sup>1,2</sup>

The cell measurements were carried out with electrodes prepared and set up as described earlier.<sup>3</sup>

## Results and Discussion

A summary of e.m.f. data at  $5^{\circ}$  and  $45^{\circ}$  is given in Tables 1 and 2, for the first and second ionizations, respectively. Similar experimental values were obtained at each of the  $5^{\circ}$  temperature intervals throughout the range. As usual, values of  $K'_{1a}$  and  $K'_{2a}$  were calculated with the help of equations (1) and (2), and the ionization

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Table 1.	Determination of $-\log K_{1a}$ of phthalic acid in formamide
$X \equiv [E - E^{0}(Ag - E^{0})]$	AgCl)+ $E^{0}(QH_{2}-Q)$ ]; $M = m'(H^{+})[m_{2}+m'(H^{+})]/[m_{1}-m'(H^{+})]$

10 <sup>2</sup> m <sub>1</sub> (mol/kg)	$10^2 m_2$ (mol/kg)	$\frac{10^2m_3}{(\text{mol/kg})}$	- <i>E</i> (V)	$\frac{XF}{2 \cdot 303RT}$	105m'(H+) (mol/kg)	$-\log M$	$2A\times (\mu d_0)^{1/2}$	$10^2 \mu$	$-\log K_{1i}$
		*****		Temperat	ure 5°C				
0.863	0.737	2.814	0.1873	5.851	6.124	4.2432	0.1163	3.558	4.3595
0.728	0.745	3.015	0.1818	5.953	4.868	4.2966	0.1198	3.765	4.4164
0.611	0.646	3 · 486	0.1845	5.902	4.797	4.2879	0.1255	4.137	4.4134
1.315	1 · 267	3.227	0.1868	5.860	5.781	4.2500	0.1309	4.500	4.3809
0.830	0.854	4.387	0.1963	5.682	6.563	4.1633	0.1414	5.248	4.3047
1.526	1.305	3.957	0.2007	5.608	8 · 835	4.1162	0.1417	5.271	4.2579
1 · 463	1 · 189	6.113	0.2101	5 · 438	8.964	4 · 1414	0.1669	7.311	4 · 3083
1.806	1.765	6.235	0.2031	5.564	6.543	4.1910	0.1746	8.007	4.3656
1.836	1.582	8 · 464	0.2149	5.348	8 · 318	4 · 1406	0.1956	10.054	4.3362
						-lo	g K <sub>1a</sub> (extra	polated) 4	$\cdot$ 39 $\pm$ 0 $\cdot$ 03
				Temperatu	re 45°C				
0.313	0.397	1.963	0.1489	5.896	8 · 162	3.9650	0.1009	2.368	4.0659
1.559	1.392	3 · 520	0.1692	5.576	10 · 540	4.0198	0.1455	4.923	4.1653
1 · 120	1.121	4.611	0.1753	5 · 479	10.330	3.9776	0.1571	5.742	4 1347
0.898	0.999	5.457	0.1714	5 · 540	7 · 759	4.0567	0.1667	6.464	4.2234
1.812	1.760	4.795	0.1787	5 · 425	11 · 540	3.9447	0.1681	6.567	4.1128
0.864	0.890	6.381	0.1771	5 · 450	8 · 354	4.0573	0.1768	7.279	4.2341
3.224	2.920	4.847	0.1837	5.346	14 · 180	3.8874	0.1830	7.781	4.0704
						- lo	$gK_{1a}$ (extra	polated) 4	·06±0·06

Table 2. Determination of  $-\log K_{2a}$  of phthalic acid in formamide  $X \equiv [E - E^{0}(\mathrm{Ag-AgCl}) + E^{0}(\mathrm{QH_{2}-Q})]$ 

$\frac{10^2m_1}{(\text{mol/kg})}$	10 <sup>2</sup> m <sub>2</sub> (mol/kg)	10 <sup>2</sup> m <sub>3</sub> (mol/kg)	- E (V)	$\frac{XF}{2\cdot 303RT}$	$-\log\frac{m_1m_3}{m_2}$	$2A \times (\mu d_0)^{1/2}$	$10^2 \mu$	$-\log K'_{2s}$
			Te	emperature 5°	C			
1.070	0.137	3 · 757	0.0597	8 · 164	0.5325	0.1413	5.238	7.7728
0.578	0.487	4.189	0.0224	8.839	1.3035	0.1540	6.228	7.6895
1 · 154	0.086	5 · 470	0.0830	7.741	0.1343	0.1619	6.882	7.7686
1.012	0.261	5.350	0.0498	8 · 345	0.6830	0.1650	7 · 145	7.8270
1.380	0.398	6.982	0.0698	7.982	0.6160	0.1907	9.556	7.5567
1.586	0.430	7.032	0.0730	7.923	0.5860	0.1942	9.908	7.5293
						$-\log K_{2a}$ (ex	trapolated)	$8 \cdot 10 \pm 0 \cdot 09$
			Te	mperature 45°	°C			
1 · 295	0.385	2.389	0.0180	7.973	1.0949	0.1443	4.839	7.0224
1.070	0.137	3 · 757	0.0603	7 · 303	0.5325	0.1501	5.238	6.9206
1 · 154	0.086	5 · 470	0.0750	7.069	0.1343	0.1721	6.882	7.1068
2.102	0.280	4 · 179	0.0475	7.506	0.5036	0.1750	7 · 121	7 · 1774
1.586	0.430	7.032	0.0602	7.305	0.5860	0.2065	9.908	6.9255
1 · 171	0.110	9.953	0.0902	6.828	-0.0251	0.1978	11.454	7.0509
						$-\log K_{2a}$ (ex	trapolated)	$7 \cdot 05 \pm 0 \cdot 10$

Table 3. Values of  $pK_{1a}$  and  $pK_{2a}$  for phthalic acid in formamide at different temperatures

	5°	10°	15°	20°	25°	30°	35°	40°	45°
$pK_{1a}$	4 · 39	4.31	4.31	4 · 28	4 · 21	4.23	4.34	4.26	4.06
	$\pm 0.03$	$\pm 0.06$	$\pm 0.03$	$\pm 0.02$	$\pm 0.02$	$\pm 0.02$	$\pm 0.02$	$\pm 0.04$	$\pm 0.06$
$pK_{2a}$	8 · 10	7.73	7.74	7.51	7.72	7.42	7.69	7.42	7.05
	$\pm 0.09$	$\pm 0.02$	$\pm 0.03$	$\pm 0.05$	$\pm 0.01$	$\pm 0.06$	$\pm 0.09$	$\pm 0.10$	$\pm 0.10$

Table 4. Estimated values of r of phthalic acid in formamide at different temperatures

	5°	10°	15°	20°	25°	30°	35°	40°	45°
r (Å)	0.73	0.80	0.79	0.85	0.78	0.87	0.82	0.89	0.95
$\Delta p K_a$	3.70	3.42	3 · 43	3 · 23	3 · 50	3 · 19	3.35	3 · 16	2.99
$K_{1a}/K_{2a}$	5012	2630	2692	1698	3177	1549	2239	1445	977 • 2

constants of phthalic acid,  $K_{1a}$  and  $K_{2a}$ , were found by the method<sup>1,3-5</sup> of extrapolating the auxiliary functions,  $K'_{1a}$  and  $K'_{2a}$ , given by<sup>1</sup>

$$\log K'_{1a} = -2A(\mu d_0)^{1/2} + \log \frac{m'(H^+)[m_2 + m'(H^+)]}{m_1 - m'(H^+)}$$
(1)

and

$$-\log K_{2a}' = \frac{[E - E^{0}(\text{Ag-AgCl}) + E^{0}(\text{QH}_{2} - \text{Q})]F}{2 \cdot 303RT} + \log \frac{m_{1}m_{3}}{m_{2}} + 2A(\mu d_{0})^{1/2}$$
 (2)

to  $\mu=0$ , respectively, the symbols in these equations having their usual significance. The values of  $E^0(Ag-AgCl)$  and of  $E^0(QH_2-Q)$  at different temperatures needed for the calculations were obtained from the empirical equations<sup>6,7</sup>

$$E_t^0 \text{ (Ag-AgCl)} = 0.19839 - 9.3857 \times 10^{-4} (t - 25) + 1.2190 \times 10^{-6} (t - 25)^2$$

and

$$E_t^0(QH_2-Q) = 0.71382 - 0.6666 \times 10^{-3}(t-25) + 2.990 \times 10^{-6}(t-25)^2$$

The values of  $d_0$  at different temperatures were obtained from the empirical equation available in the literature<sup>8</sup> and those of the Debye-Hückel constant A were either obtained from the literature<sup>6</sup> or were calculated in the molal scale by the usual method using the exact values of the density,<sup>8</sup> dielectric constant<sup>9</sup> etc. of formamide.

A plot of  $\log K'_{1a}$  and  $\log K'_{2a}$  against the corresponding  $\mu$  at each temperature should yield a straight line and intercept  $\log K_{1a}$  and  $\log K_{2a}$ , respectively. Extrapolation of  $\log K'_{1a}$  and  $\log K'_{2a}$  to corresponding zero ionic strengths was done by the method of least squares. Values of  $pK_{1a}$  and  $pK_{2a}$  are shown in Table 3.

The effect of temperature on  $pK_{1a}$  and  $pK_{2a}$  values appears to be irregular, although with the increase of temperature there is a general tendency for these values to decrease slightly.

The distance r between the carboxylic groups was calculated from the Bjerrum equation as described earlier.<sup>1</sup> The values have been presented in Table 4 along with other data obtained in formamide. The values of r show an irregularity with change of temperature. A comparison of the present data with the corresponding values in water is difficult because of the lack of relevant data in water at all temperatures. However, available data at 25°C in water<sup>1</sup> (1.66 Å compared with the value in formamide of 0.78 Å) show the failure of the Bjerrum equation in the case of phthalic acid,<sup>1</sup> and point to the fact that, in changing the solvent from water to formamide, the second ionization constant of the acid is depressed more than the first.

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