

Add Hg Reactions from PHREEQC Database to PFLOTRAN Database

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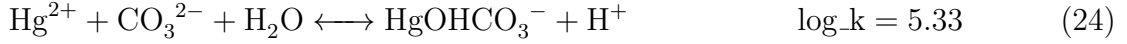
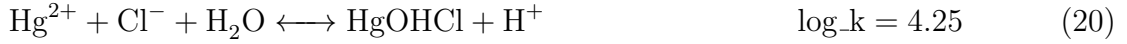
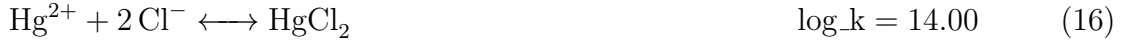
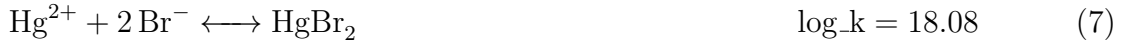
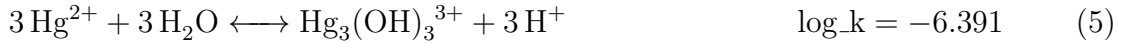
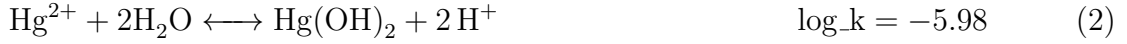
Abstract

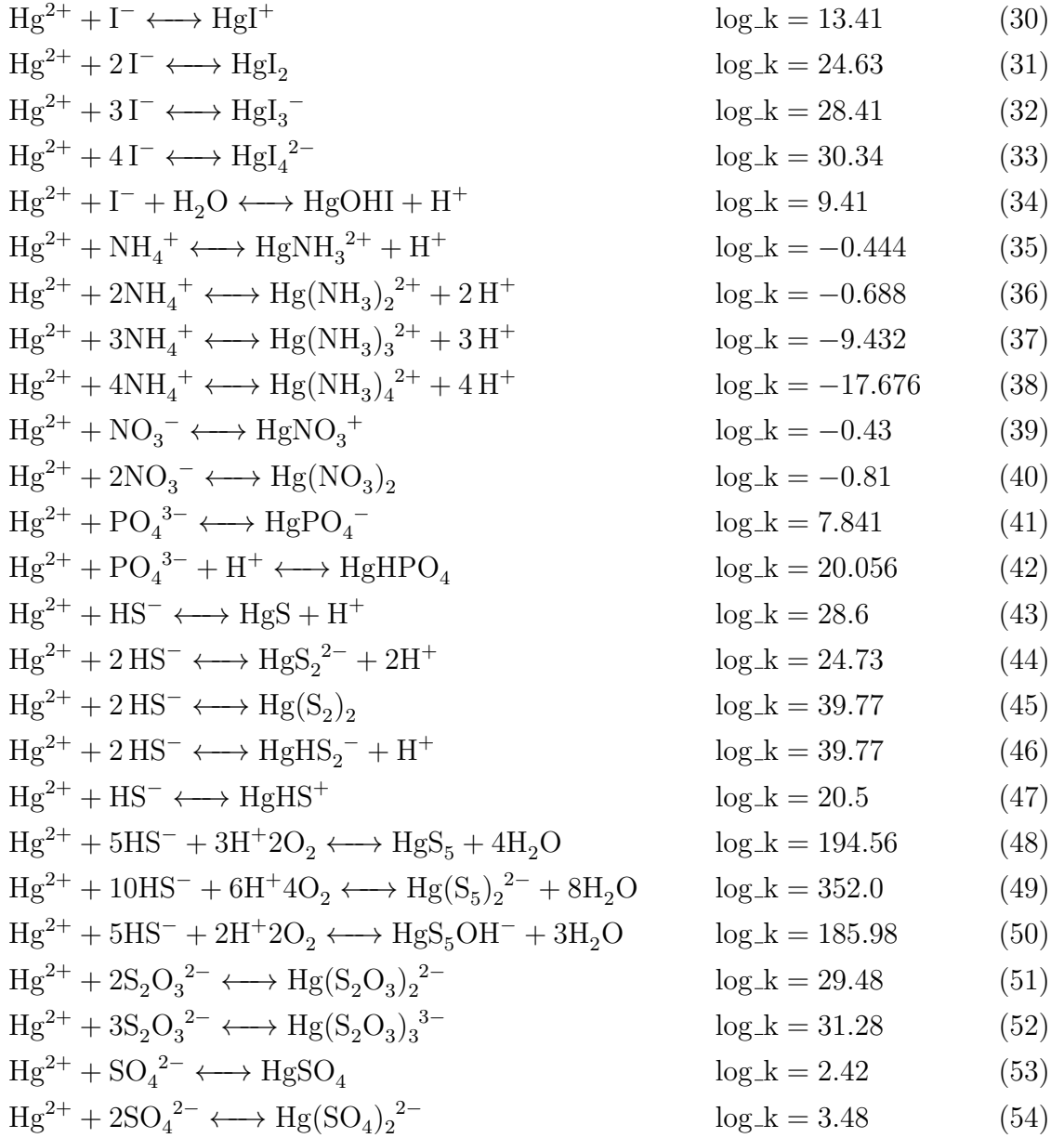
The Hg related reactions from PHREEQC database (phreeqc-scb.dat) are added into PFLOTRAN database (hanford.dat). We conduct speciation calculations with the cases in Dong et al. (2010) with PFLOTRAN and PHREEQC. The calculated results are in general agreement, indicating the consistency of the two databases and codes. Minor differences can be introduced when various activity calculation options are used in PFLOTRAN. For competition for ligands among metals such as Fe^{3+} , Cu^{2+} , as shown in Fig. 4 in Dong et al. (2010), differences in the complexation reactions for these metals between the two databases may introduce substantial differences in the calculation results.

1 Reactions

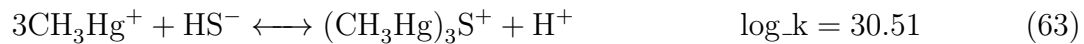
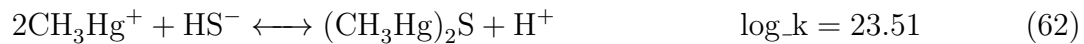
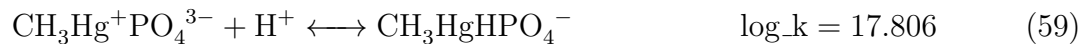
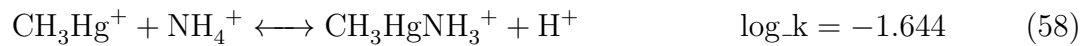
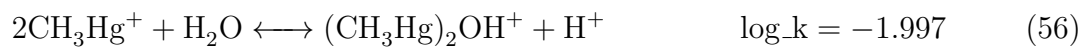
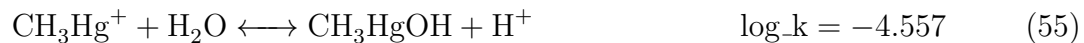
1.1 Aqueous Complexation Reactions

1.1.1 Hg^{2+} with Inorganic Species





1.1.2 CH₃Hg⁺ with Inorganic Species



1.1.3 Hg^{2+} and CH_3Hg^+ with Organic Species

$\text{H}^+ + \text{DOM}^{4-} \longleftrightarrow \text{HDom}^{3-}$	$\log k = 10.0$	(70)
$\text{Hg}^{2+} + \text{DOM}^{4-} \longleftrightarrow \text{HgDom}^{2-}$	$\log k = 21.4$	(71)
$\text{H}^+ + \text{Rcoo}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{RcooH}$	$\log k = 4.5$	(72)
$\text{Hg}^{2+} + \text{Rcoo}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{HgRcoo}^+$	$\log k = 10.0$	(73)
$\text{H}^+ + \text{Rs}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{RsH}$	$\log k = 10.0$	(74)
$\text{Hg}^{2+} + \text{Rs}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{HgRs}^+$	$\log k = 21.0$	(75)
$\text{Hg}^{2+} + 2\text{Rs}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{HgRs}_2$	$\log k = 28.7$	(76)
$\text{CH}_3\text{Hg}^+ + \text{Rs}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{HgRs}$	$\log k = 14.0$	(77)
$\text{H}^+ + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{HL}$	$\log k = 10.0$	(78)
$\text{Hg}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{HgL}^+$	$\log k = 21.27$	(79)
$\text{Hg}^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{HgL}_2$	$\log k = 34.04$	(80)
$\text{CH}_3\text{Hg}^+ + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{HgL}$	$\log k = 16.76$	(81)
$\text{Ca}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CaL}^+$	$\log k = 4.3$	(82)
$\text{Mg}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{MgL}^+$	$\log k = 3.61$	(83)
$\text{Zn}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{ZnL}^+$	$\log k = 9.69$	(84)
$\text{Zn}^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{ZnL}_2$	$\log k = 16.10$	(85)
$\text{Cu}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CuL}^+$	$\log k = 12.0$	(86)
$\text{Cu}^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CuL}_2$	$\log k = 16.95$	(87)
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{NiL}^+$	$\log k = 9.72$	(88)
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{NiL}_2$	$\log k = 15.96$	(89)
$\text{Cd}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CdL}^+$	$\log k = 10.62$	(90)
$\text{Cd}^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CdL}_2$	$\log k = 17.48$	(91)
$\text{Pb}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{PbL}^+$	$\log k = 11.83$	(92)
$\text{Pb}^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{PbL}_2$	$\log k = 15.86$	(93)
$\text{Co}^{2+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CoL}^+$	$\log k = 10.62$	(94)
$\text{Co}^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{CoL}_2$	$\log k = 17.48$	(95)
$\text{UO}_2^{2+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{UO}_2\text{L}_2$	$\log k = 10.19$	(96)
$\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{FeL}^{2+}$	$\log k = 12.28$	(97)
$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{L}^- \longleftrightarrow \text{FeL}_2^+$	$\log k = 16.40$	(98)

1.1.4 Other Metals

1.2 Surface Complexation Reactions

1.3 Precipitation and Dissolution Reactions

2 Example Calculations

2.1 Hg^{2+} Speciation with Inorganic Ligands in EFPC Waters

Species and concentrations from Dong et al. (2010) are used in the calculations.

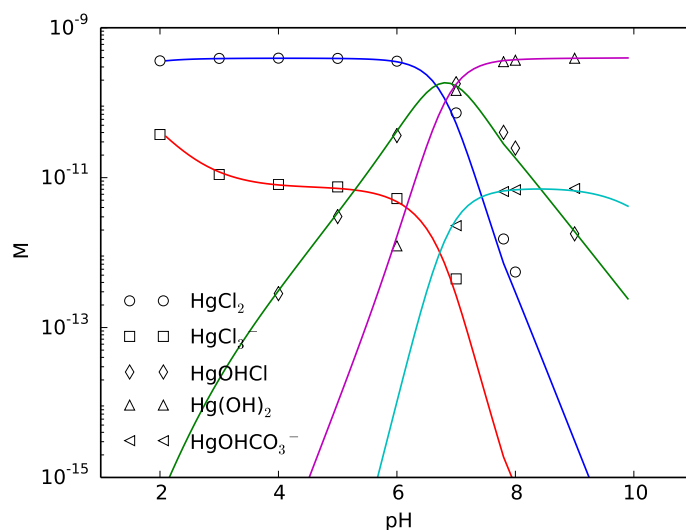


Figure 1: Hg^{2+} speciation with inorganic ligands in EFPC waters. Total $\text{Hg}^{2+} = 0.4 \text{ nM}$. Other inorganic species and average concentrations from Dong et al. (2010) are used in the calculations. Curves = PHREEQC; Unfilled symbols = PFLTRAN default (unit activity coefficient). PFLTRAN and PHREEQC calculations are in general agreement.

2.2 Hg^{2+} Speciation with Organic Ligands in EFPC Waters

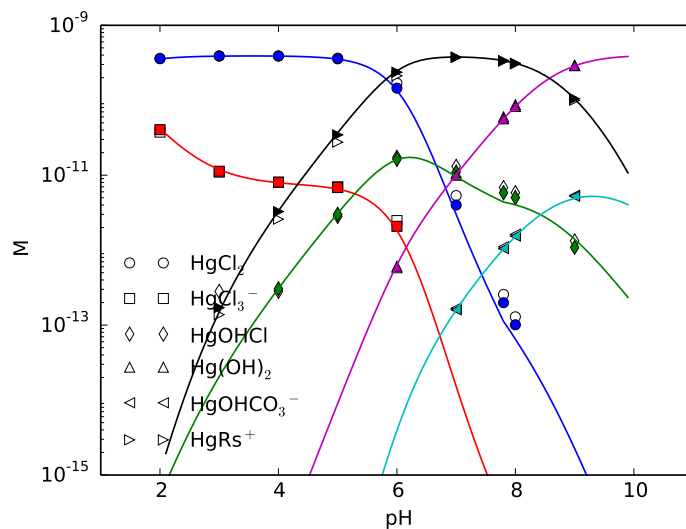


Figure 2: Hg^{2+} Speciation with organic ligands in EFPC waters. Based on inorganic species and concentrations in Fig. 1, 4 nM thiol sites (Rs^-) and 16 μM carboxyl sites (Rcoo^-) are added. Curves = PHREEQC; Unfilled symbols = PFLOTRAN default (unit activity coefficient); Filled symbols = PFLOTRAN + Debye-Huckel activity coefficient updated in each Newton Iteration. The results are quite different from Fig. 1 in Dong et al. (2010) probably because of different ways in fixing pH. In our calculations, HCl or NaOH is assumed to be added to a specified pH.

2.3 CH_3Hg Speciation in EFPC Waters

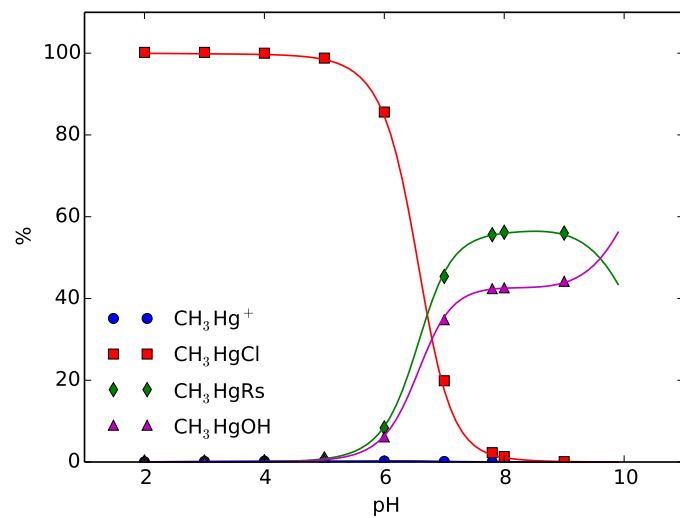


Figure 3: CH_3Hg speciation in EFPC waters. 5 pM CH_3Hg is added into the solutions as in Fig. 2. The results are in general agreement with Dong et al. (2010) Fig. 3a except that CH_3Hg concentrations are higher in the latter.

2.4 Competition with Other Metal Ions for Complexation with Thiol Ligands

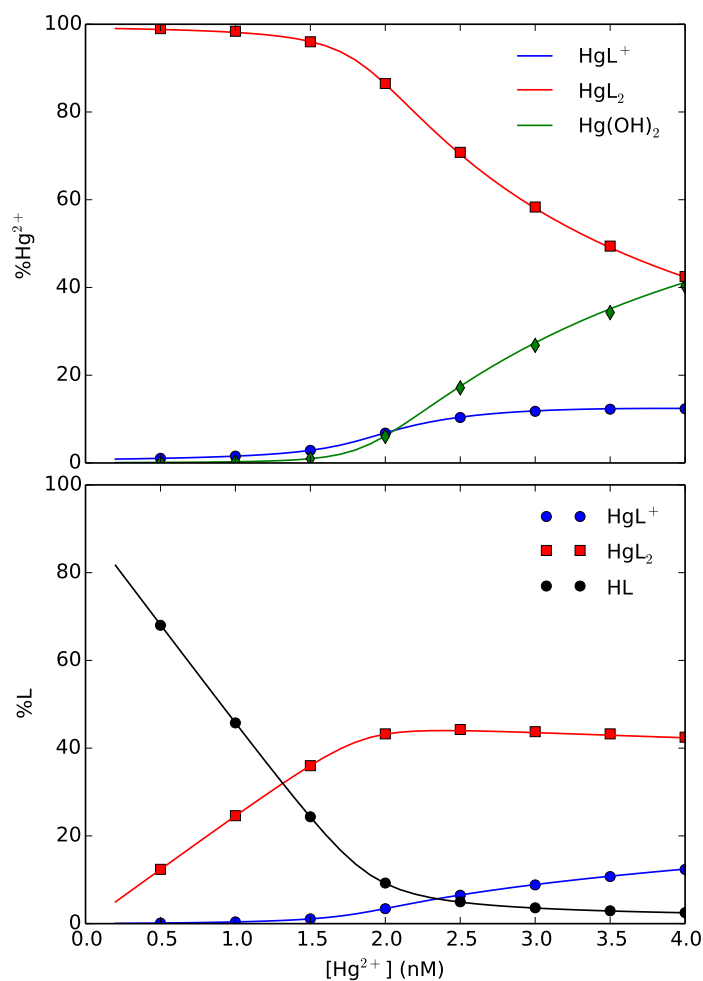


Figure 4: Without competition with other metal ions for complexation with thiol ligands (L), PFLOTRAN calculations are close to PHREEQC. The calculations are based on the same input files for Fig. 2 except that the 4 nM thiol sites (Rs^-) and 16 μM carboxyl sites (Rcoo^-) are replaced with 4 nM thiol sites represented by L (thiol group in Cysteine and Glutathione). For PHREEQC, CH_3Hg^+ , Ni^{2+} , Cd^{2+} , Pb^{2+} , UO_2^{2+} , and Fe^{3+} are omitted from the solution to prevent the competition. For PFLOTRAN, the secondary species between these metals and L are not added in the input file to avoid the competition.

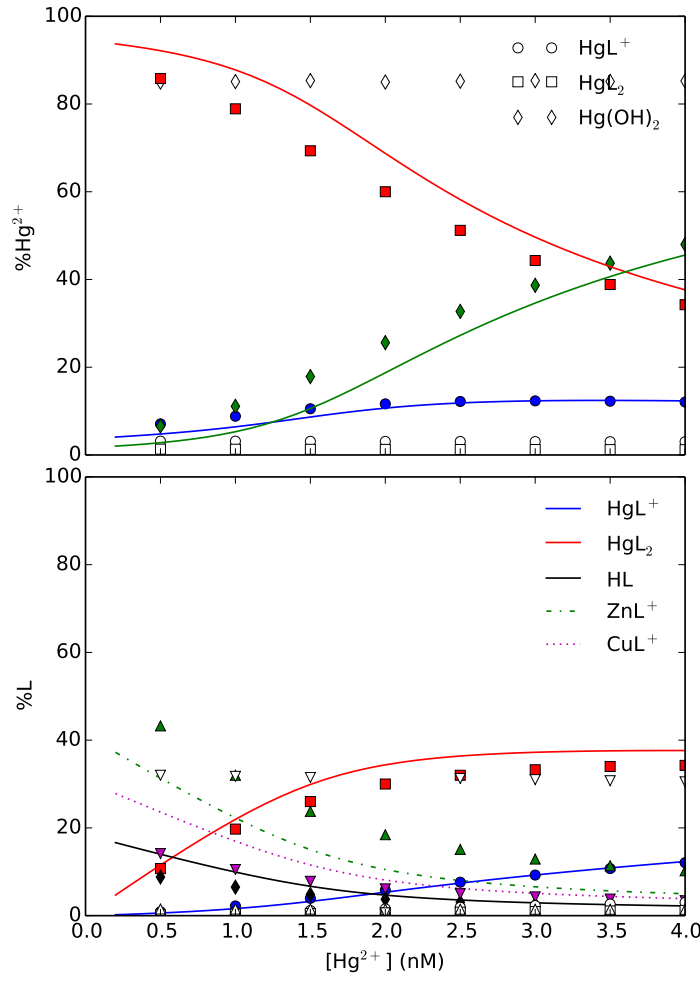


Figure 5: With competition with other metal ions for complexation with thiol ligands (L): PFLOTRAN calculations (add metal thiol complexation reactions to Fig. 4 case, empty markers) are different from PHREEQC (add metal species, curves). Adding secondary species $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3(\text{aq})$, $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})^{2+}$, $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_4^-$, $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})^{2+}$, FeF_2^+ , and $\text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2$ into PFLOTRAN input files gets the PFLOTRAN calculations (filled markers) closer to PHREEQC. Namely, without complexation reactions of Fe^{3+} and Cu^{2+} with OH^- , more L^- forms complex with Fe^{3+} and Cu^{2+} , and less L^- is available to form complex with Hg^{2+} .