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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: deep eutectic solvents; cobalt; electrochemical techniques; computational simulations.

RESUMO

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Palavras-chave: solvente eutético profundo; cobalto; técnicas eletroquímicas; simulações computacionais.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

BCP	Bond Critical Point
CN	Cumulative Number
CVs	Cyclic Voltammograms
DESS	Deep Eutectic Solvents
DFT	Density Functional Theory
EG	Ethylene Glycol
ELF	Electron Localization Function
G	Glycerol
HBA	Hydrogen Bond Acceptor
HBD	Hydrogen Bond Donor
ILs	Ionic Liquids
LANL2DZ	Los Alamos National Laboratory 2-double-z
MD	Molecular Dynamics
OPLS-AA	Optimized Potentials for Liquid Simulations – All Atom
QTAIM	Quantum Theory of Atoms in Molecules
RDF	Radial Distribution Function
RTILs	Room Temperature Ionic Liquids
SDF	Spatial Distribution Function
U	Urea

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1 INTRODUCTION

The Deep eutectic solvents (DESs) are known as a new class of ionic liquid (ILs) analogs due to their similar physical properties, among them: Low vapor pressure, relatively wide liquid range, and nonflammability (SMITH; ABBOTT; RYDER, 2014). Besides, the DESs have several advantages concerning traditional ILs such as easy preparation, low cost (ZHANG *et al.*, 2012), high purity, and biodegradable. DESs are usually obtained through the complexation of a quaternary ammonium salt with a metal salt or hydrogen donor bond (HBD) (SMITH; ABBOTT; RYDER, 2014). The main property observed in the DESs is the decrease of the melting point of the mixture concerning the isolated components pure.

The interest in DESs has been increasing in recent years due to the advantages cited above, consequently, this solvent has been applied in several areas, such as biodiesel production (ZHAO; BAKER, 2013), chemistry synthesis (SMITH; ABBOTT; RYDER, 2014), adsorption and capture CO₂ (GARCIA *et al.*, 2015), polymers synthesis (CARRIAZO *et al.*, 2012), enzyme catalysis (GORKE; SRIENC; KAZLAUSKAS, 2008), and electrochemical (SMITH; ABBOTT; RYDER, 2014).

The electrodeposition of metals and metal alloys is a main electrochemical field that has been employed the use of DESs due to the high solubility of metal salts, and the high conductivity. Besides, most DESs have a wide electrochemical window concerning the water. Therefore, the use DESs is favored in the electrodeposition of metals (BARRADO *et al.*, 2018). Several articles were published utilized the DESs in the electrodeposition of Co-Cr (SARAVANAN; MOHAN, 2012), Sn (ABBOTT *et al.*, 2007), In (ALCANFOR *et al.*, 2017), Ni (ABBOTT *et al.*, 2015), and Cu (ABBOTT *et al.*, 2009; SEBASTIÁN; VALLÉS; GÓMEZ, 2014).

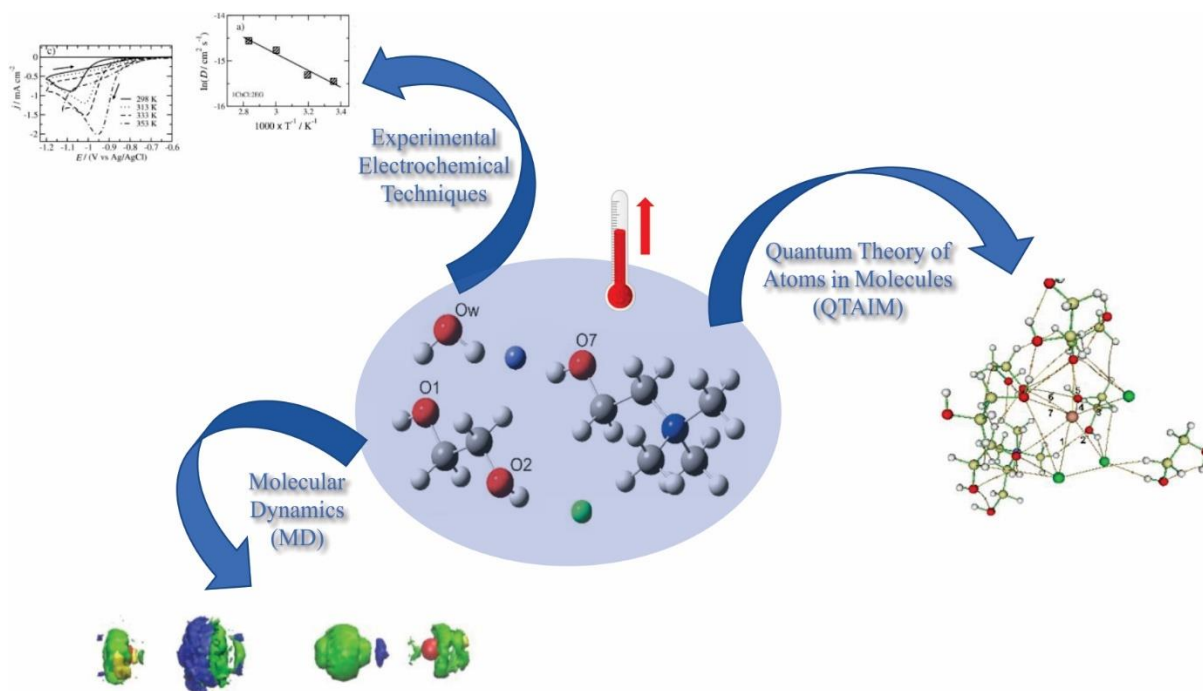
One of the most recent articles utilizing the DESs in the electrodeposition of metals was published by Bezerra-Neto *et al* (BEZERRA-NETO *et al.*, 2020). This article analyzed the effect of water on the behavior of Ag⁺ ions in DESs based on urea and choline chloride. According to Bezerra-Neto *et al* (BEZERRA-NETO *et al.*, 2020), the increase in the percentual of water occasioned the replacement of a few urea molecules by water molecules around the Ag⁺ ions. Besides, another article too published by Bezerra-Neto *et al* (BEZERRA-NETO *et al.*, 2018) analyzed the effect of water on the behavior of Cu²⁺ ions in DESs based on ethylene glycol and chloride choline. The results indicated that the increase of percentual of water occasioned in replacing ethylene glycol molecules by water molecules around Cu²⁺ ions.

In both articles cited above were utilized two complementary approaches. The first approach was used electrochemical techniques through Cyclic Voltammetry (CVs) to obtain the operating electrochemical potential range in the DESs. The computational simulations by Molecular Dynamics (MD) were used as the second approach to understanding the behavior at the molecular level of Ag^+ ions in the urea-chloride choline (BEZERRA-NETO *et al.*, 2020) and Cu^{2+} ions in ethylene glycol-chloride choline (BEZERRA-NETO *et al.*, 2018).

Until now, the electrodeposition of cobalt in the DESs was not analyzed together by both approaches cited above. Then, the cobalt metal was chosen due to the applications as electrocatalysis (XU, 2019), sensors (LI, 2019), biomedical applications (LIM; MAJETICH, 2013), and antibacterial activity (SYED KHADAR *et al.*, 2019). The master's dissertation presented is about the behavior of the Co^{2+} ion in three eutectic solvents through an electrochemical analysis by cyclic voltammetry and chronoamperometry techniques, followed by computational simulations by molecular dynamics and QTAIM calculations. All these systems were obtained and analyzed in the period from June 2019 to June 2021.

Chapter 1

ELECTROCHEMICAL AND THEORETICAL INVESTIGATION ON THE BEHAVIOR OF THE Co^{2+} ION IN THREE EUTECTIC SOLVENTS



Experimental and computational approaches for analyzing the temperature effect on the behavior of the Co^{2+} ions in eutectic solvents.

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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: Deep eutectic solvents; Cobalt; Electrochemical techniques; Computational simulations

1 Introduction

Deep eutectic solvents (DESs) are a mixture of organic salts that act as an acceptor of the hydrogen bond (HBA) with a molecule that acts as a donor of the hydrogen bond (HBD). The main property of DESs is the decrease in the melting point of the mixture concerning its respective isolated components pure, the reduction occurs by the displacement of charge present in the hydrogen bond between the halide ion with the compound that acts as HBD.¹

Some physical and chemical properties of eutectic solvents are similar to ionic liquids (ILs),¹ however, ILs have a high cost, and the vast majority have low biodegradability and dangerous toxicity,² therefore, DESs is a promising alternative to replace ionic liquids. Besides, eutectic solvents have several advantages over organic solvents, such as non-toxicity, biodegradability, low vapor pressure, and high thermal stability.³

Furthermore, DESs are hygroscopic and the accumulation of water in these solvents can cause a significant change in its chemical structure and physicochemical properties.⁴ For instance, our group^{5,6} showed that the addition of water (ranged from 0.1 up to 10%) electrocatalyses the electrochemical reduction of Cu^{2+} and Ag^+ species on the Pt surface from choline chloride and ethylene glycol at a molar ratio 1:2 (1ChCl:2EG) and choline chloride and urea at a molar ratio 1:2 (1ChCl:2U), respectively.

Due to these advantages concerning other solvents and liquids, the interest in DESs has been increasing in recent years in several areas, such as electrodeposition, and molecular modelling based on density functional theory (DFT) and molecular dynamics (MD) allow the comprehension of the interactions between the ionic metallic species with the solvent molecules. For instance, for Cu^{2+} in ethaline⁵, MD simulations indicated that the water molecules replace the ethylene glycol molecules that were coordinated with Cu^{2+} ions, while the interactions between Cu^{2+} and Cl^- ions were not influenced by the presence of water. For Ag^+ in reline⁶, the MD calculations suggested that water molecules do not interact strongly with Ag^{++} ions but induce a small reduction in the number of urea molecules around of the ion and that the water molecules adjust to free spaces in the mixture.

Cobalt and cobalt-based alloys coatings are promising materials for applications including sensors,⁷ biomedical applications,^{8,9} electrocatalysis,¹⁰ and antibacterial activity.¹¹ Co-based coatings can be prepared using high-vacuum techniques¹² such as chemical vapour deposition,¹³ pulsed laser deposition¹⁴ and sputtering,¹⁵ among others. However, all these techniques require sophisticated equipment and/or high temperatures processes which increase the cost of the final product, making production on an industrial scale difficult. Alternative low-

cost techniques, such as hydrothermal methods^{16,17} also have been used for the preparation of these materials, but long periods of synthesis and further heat treatments are needed.

In the present work, it is reported the effect of the temperature on the transport and electrochemical properties of Co^{2+} ions dissolved in three DESs (1ChCl:2EG, 1ChCl:2U and 1ChCl:2G). Furthermore, theoretical computational methodologies include classical mechanics by MD¹⁸ and quantum mechanics by Bader's Quantum Theory of Atoms in Molecules (QTAIM)^{19,20} were applied to understand the interaction between the Co^{2+} species with others chemical species present in the electrolytes.

2 Materials

2.1 Experimental methods

The reagents used were: choline chloride (ChCl, $\text{HOC}_2\text{H}_4\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{Cl}$, Sigma-Aldrich, 98%), ethylene Glycol (EG, $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$, Sigma-Aldrich, 99%), urea (U, $(\text{NH}_2)_2\text{CO}$, Sigma-Aldrich, 99%), and glycerol (G, $\text{C}_3\text{H}_5(\text{OH})_3$, J.T Baker, 99%). All reagents were used as received without further purification. Eutectic mixtures were prepared following the methodology described by Abbott *et al.*²¹ The reagents were mixed in a 1:2 molar ratio (1ChCl:2EG, 1ChCl:2U and 1ChCl:2G) and heated to 353 K until a homogeneous, colourless liquid formed.

The amount of water in DES mixtures was monitored over 7 (seven) days in ambient conditions by Karl-Fischer Titration (Metrohm-Eco Chemie), and the results showed that after this interval of time the water content did not exceed 25 ppm, as can be seen in Fig. S1 (in †ESI), which corresponds to 0.0025%. After obtaining the eutectic mixtures, CoCl_2 was added to obtain an electroplating solution containing 0.1 mol L^{-1} CoCl_2 ($\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, Sigma-Aldrich, 98%).

All electrochemical experiments were performed in a three-electrode electrochemical cell under air at 298 K, 313 K, 333 K, and 353 K. The electrochemical data were obtained from a potentiostat/galvanostat (AUTOLAB PGSTAT30, Metrohm-Eco Chemie) controlled by NOVA 2.1 software. The pseudo-reference was Ag/AgCl immersed in the corresponding DESs. A Pt plate (1 cm^2) was used as the counter-electrode, and a Cu disc, with a diameter of 0.18 cm was used as the working electrode. Before each electrochemical experiment, the working electrode was sanded with emery paper from 400 up to 1200 mesh. Furthermore, the cleaning procedure was applied to all Cu electrodes before the coating depositions: degreasing in 10 % NaOH solution, rinsing in Milli-Q water, quickly immersed in 10 % HCl solution, rinsed again in Milli-Q water and, finally air-dried.

The cyclic voltammograms (CVs) were recorded for each investigated temperature between -0.7 V and -1.2 V at 10 mV s⁻¹. The diffusion coefficients (D) of the Co²⁺ specie in the three DESs were determined by the chronoamperometry technique, applying a potential step from a region where there was no faradaic process, to a region of diffusional control of the reduction of the Co²⁺ species. The current transients were adjusted with the Cottrell equation, Equation 1:

$$I(t) = \frac{nFAD^{\frac{1}{2}}C}{(\pi t)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (1)$$

where I is the current (A), n is the number of electrons involved in the process, F is the Faraday constant (96 485 C mol⁻¹), A is the electrode geometric area (cm²), D is the diffusion coefficient (cm² s⁻¹), C is the concentration of the species in solution (mol L⁻¹) and t is the time (s).

The viscosity and specific mass measurements of the eutectic electroplating solutions containing 0.1 mol L⁻¹ CoCl₂.6H₂O, were performed on an Anton Paar Stabinger viscometer, model SVM 3000, at the following working temperatures, 298 K, 313 K, 333 K, and 353 K.

2.2 Simulation methods

The Density Functional Theory (DFT)²² was utilized in the optimize in the gas phase of HBD molecules (ethylene glycol, urea, and glycerol) and choline ion, through of hybrid functional B3LYP²³ and the base set 6-311G+(d,p),²⁴ from the GAUSSIAN 09 package.²⁵ After optimization, the Multiwfn *software*²⁶ was used to obtain partial charges through CHELPG method²⁷ for some components of the system (ethylene glycol, urea, glycerol, and choline). Fig. 1 showed the structures used in the MD simulations and the nomenclature of main atoms studied

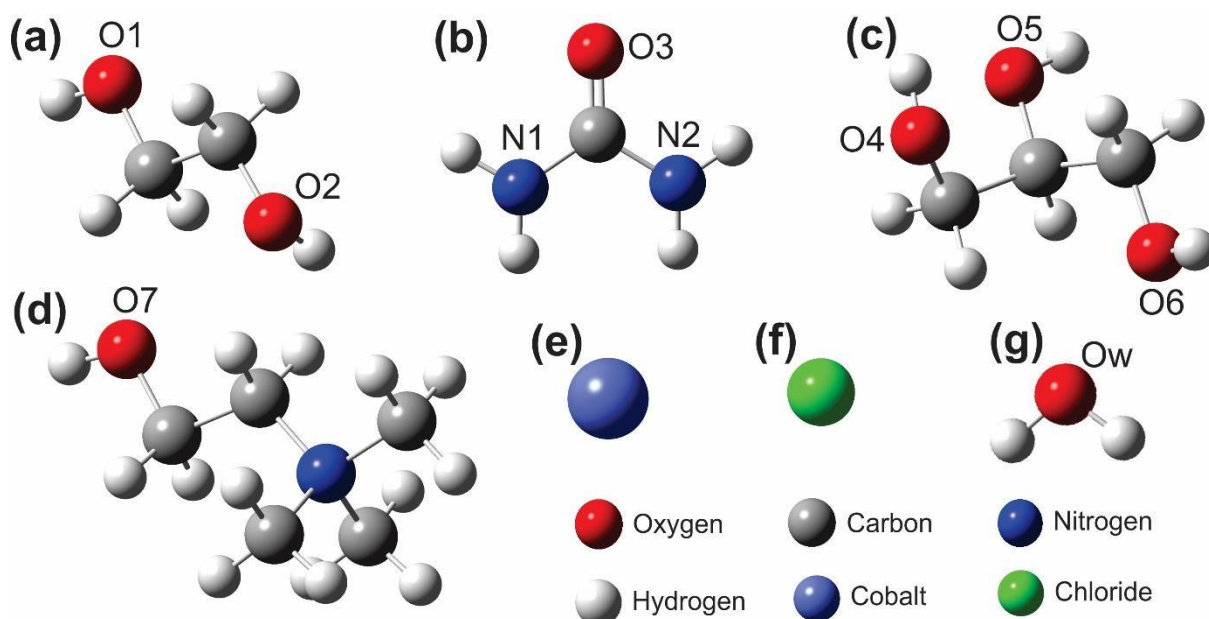


Fig. 1 Structures used in the MD simulations and nomenclature of main atoms. (a) ethylene glycol, (b) urea, (c) glycerol, (d) choline, (e) cobalt, and (f) chloride.

All MD simulations were realized by using Gromacs 2020.4 package.²⁸ 800 HBD molecules, 400 choline ions, 418 chloride ions, 9 cobalt ions, and 54 water molecules were added in the cubic box of simulation with dimensions of 8 nm \times 8 nm \times 8 nm for simulate in the temperatures of 298 K, 313 K, 333 K, and 353 K. Table 1 shows the number and the components present in each system.

Table 1 Number of molecules and ions present in each system used in MD simulations

Systems		
SDW1	SDW2	SDW3
Ethylene glycol (800)	Urea (800)	Glycerol (800)
Choline (400)	Choline (400)	Choline (400)
Chloride (418)	Chloride (418)	Chloride (418)
Cobalt (9)	Cobalt (9)	Cobalt (9)
Water (54)	Water (54)	Water (54)

The force field chosen to describe the systems was OPLSS-AA.²⁹ The parameters used to describe cobalt were obtained by L. Zhao *et al.*³⁰ The geometry of systems was optimized through the steepest descent algorithm³¹ for 100.000 steps with an energy tolerance of 10 kJ mol⁻¹ nm⁻¹ and step size of 10⁻⁴ nm. Subsequently, 10 ns equilibrium dynamics with NVT and

NPT ensembles were realized. The first one was performed using the V-rescale method³² in temperatures of 298 K, 313 K, 333 K, and 353 K for each system. For the NPT ensemble, the system pressure was controlled using a Parrinello-Rahman barostat³³ in the value of 1.0 bar. Finally, 200 ns production MD was performed through of Leap-Frog algorithm³⁴ with a time step of 2.0 fs. The protocol and an example of the input file of production MD are available (in †ESI).

The QTAIM was employed to obtain deeper insight into the interactions between Co^{2+} ions with each system investigated.^{19,20} The equilibrium structures from 200 ns MD simulations were chosen as a starting point for the QTAIM calculations. Only components within a 5.0 Å radius from the cobalt ion were considered for the calculations. Thereafter, single-point calculations were performed at B3LYP hybrid functional.²³ The LanL2DZ³⁵ and SDD³⁶ effective core potentials (ECP) along with their valence basis set were used for cobalt ion, and 6-31+G(d,p) basis set for the C, Cl, H, N, and O atoms by using GAUSSIAN 09 package²⁵ including the electron density which was further used for QTAIM calculations. All topological information and Electron Localization Function (ELF)³⁷ analysis were calculated by Multiwfn software.²⁶

3 Results

3.1 Experimental results

Cyclic voltammetry was used to obtain the working electrochemical potential range of the investigated eutectic mixtures at different temperatures. The CVs obtained for all the investigated solvents, without Co addition, are shown in Fig. S2 (in †ESI). No electrochemical process was observed in the CVs obtained from 1ChCl:2EG and 1ChCl:2G. However, an electrochemical process at about -1.2 V vs Ag/AgCl, attributed to the electrochemical reduction of water³⁸ is observed in the CVs obtained from 1ChCl:2U.

CVs for the electrochemical reduction of Co on Cu are shown in Fig. 2. During the forward scan, a single peak, related to the electrochemical reduction of Co^{2+}/Co , appears in all the CVs. It is especially well-defined for 1ChCl:2U, since for both 1ChCl:2EG and 1ChCl:2G, Co electrodeposition occurs simultaneously with the electrochemical reduction of both solvents, but for 1ChCl:2U, Co electrodeposition takes place in a potential region that is free from the electrochemical reduction of the solvent. The electrochemical reductions of the three eutectic solvents are attributed to the reduction of choline ions (Ch^+), as well as hydroxyl groups (EG and G), and traces of water.^{39,40} Furthermore, an increase in the bath temperature leads to an increase in the peak current, which is related to the decrease of the electrolyte viscosity

(Table S1, in †ESI) with temperature and the corresponding increase in the diffusion coefficient of Co^{2+} (Table S2, in †ESI). Thus, these CVs (Fig. 2) suggest that Co electrodeposition is more efficient in 1ChCl:2U than in the others two electrolytes. Furthermore, these CVs also show current loops between the forward and reverse scans (except for the CVs obtained from 1ChCl:2G solutions at 298 K and 313 K), which indicate that nucleation plays an important role in Co electrodeposition on Cu.

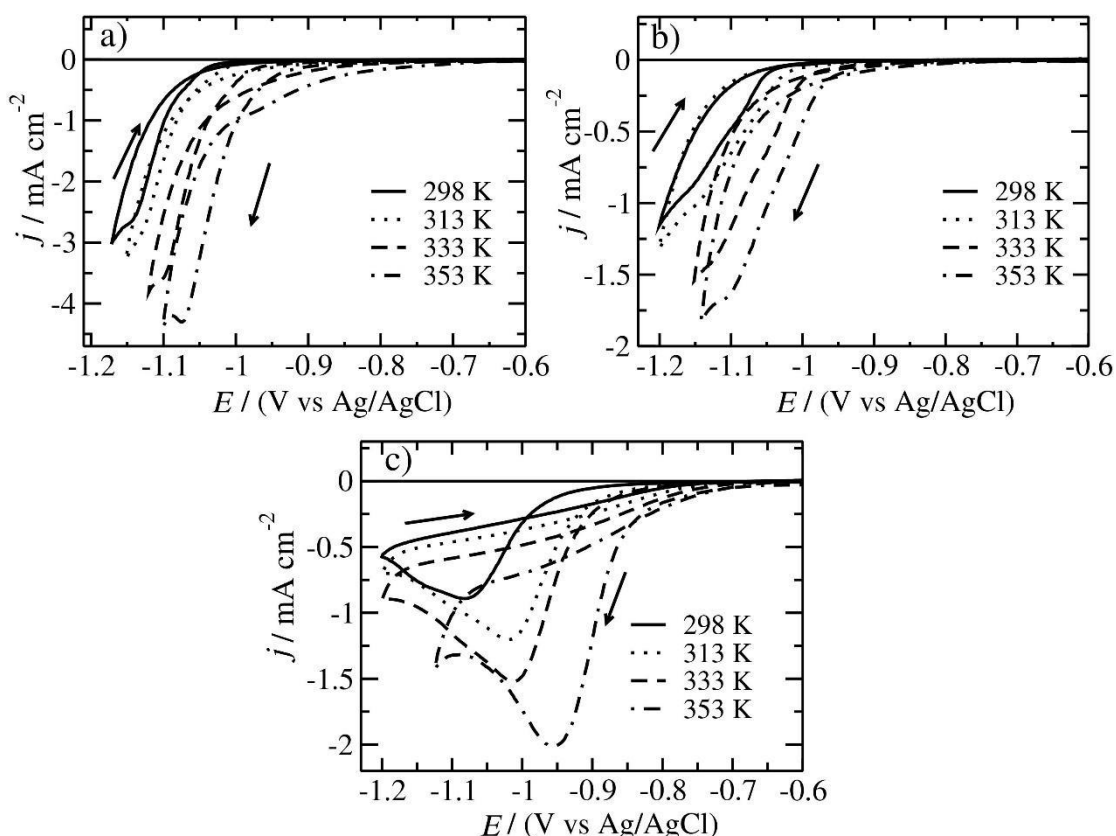


Fig. 2 Cyclic voltammograms obtained on Cu electrode in (a) 1ChCl:2EG, (b) 1ChCl:2G, and (c) 1ChCl:2U containing 0.1 mol L^{-1} $\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ at several temperatures. Scan rate of 10 mV s^{-1} .

The diffusion coefficients (D) of the Co^{2+} species were calculated by the well-known Cottrell method. The experimental current-time curves are shown in Figs. S3-S5 (in †ESI) were fitted by the Cottrell equation (Equation 1). The values of the diffusion coefficients obtained for Co^{2+} species in DESs by this method are listed in Table S2 (in †ESI). These results are an average of three experiments, and the mean value for each diffusion coefficient is shown with its standard deviation. Comparing the Co^{2+} diffusion coefficients obtained from the three studied DESs, at the same temperature, it is clear that the Co^{2+} diffusion coefficient is

significantly higher for 1ChCl:2EG, which also has the lowest viscosity values (Table S1, in †ESI). Moreover, all diffusion coefficients increased as the bath temperature increased, which also suggests an improvement in the mass transport as the electrolyte viscosity decreases with temperature. Table S1 (in †ESI) shows the values dynamic viscosity (η) of the three electroplating solutions at different temperatures. The increase in the bath temperature from 298 K up to 353 K promoted a decrease in viscosity, as expected for regular liquids (Table S1, in †ESI).

The temperature dependence of the Co^{2+} species diffusion coefficients was well fitted by a equation similar to that of Arrhenius (Equation 2).

$$\ln D = \ln D_0 - \frac{E_D}{k_B} T \quad (2)$$

In equation 2, D_0 is a constant, k_B is the Boltzmann constant, T is the absolute temperature and E_D is the apparent activation energies for the diffusion of the Co^{2+} species. From the fitted gradient, E_D values of 15.3, 29.9, and 55.2 kJ mol^{-1} for 1ChCl:2EG, 1ChCl:2U, and 1ChCl:2G, respectively, were calculated. The higher activation energy values presented by 1ChCl:2G indicate that the mass transport in this solvent encounters a higher energy barrier (and also requires a higher consumption of electric energy) in comparison to the 1ChCl:2EG and 1ChCl:2U electrolytes.

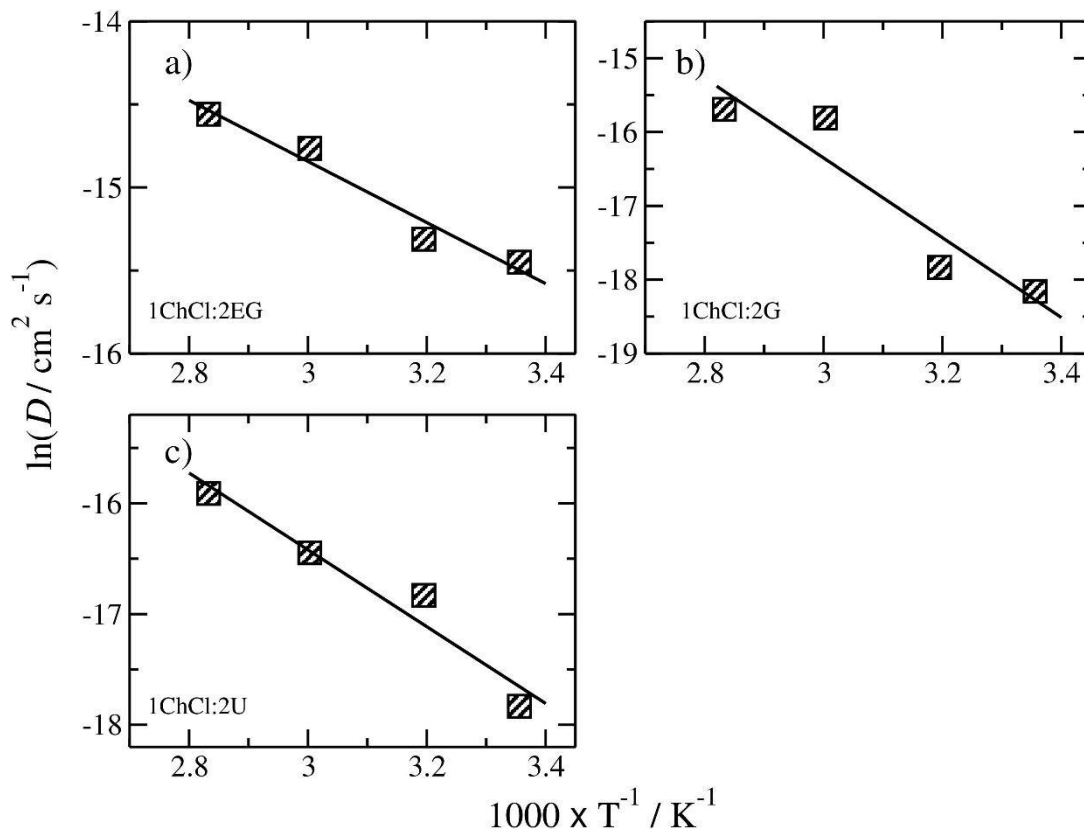


Fig. 3 Arrhenius plots of diffusion coefficient of Co^{2+} species in (a) 1ChCl:2EG, (b) 1ChCl:2G, and (c) 1ChCl:2U.

The Stokes–Einstein equation (Equation 3) describes the diffusion of spherical particles through a liquid of low Reynolds number:

$$D = \frac{k_B T}{6\pi\eta a} \quad (3)$$

where k_B is the Boltzmann constant, T is the absolute temperature and a is the solvodynamic radius. It has been applied to other non-aqueous electrochemical systems. For example, Rogers and co-workers⁴¹ used it to describe the behaviour of cobaltocenium hexafluorophosphate and ferrocene in several room temperature ionic liquids (RTILs), while Huang *et al.*⁴² studied how well it applies to the diffusion of small molecules such as H_2S and SO_2 in RTILs.

It was assessed whether Equation 3 describes the relationship between the Co^{2+} diffusion coefficient and the DESs viscosity by plotting D against T/η and the found relationships are shown in Fig. 4. As seen from Fig. 4, all plots display the linear relationship between D and T/η , enabling us to calculate effective values of a of 0.95, 1.06, and 0.70 nm for

1ChCl:2EG, 1ChCl:2U, and 1ChCl:2G, respectively. All three DESs yielded physically reasonable values close to 1 nm. However, such values are high in comparison with effective ionic radius of Co^{2+} in crystalline structure (0.058 - 0.09 nm),⁴³ suggesting that dissolved Co^{2+} ions in the eutectic mixtures could be coordinated with complexing agents.

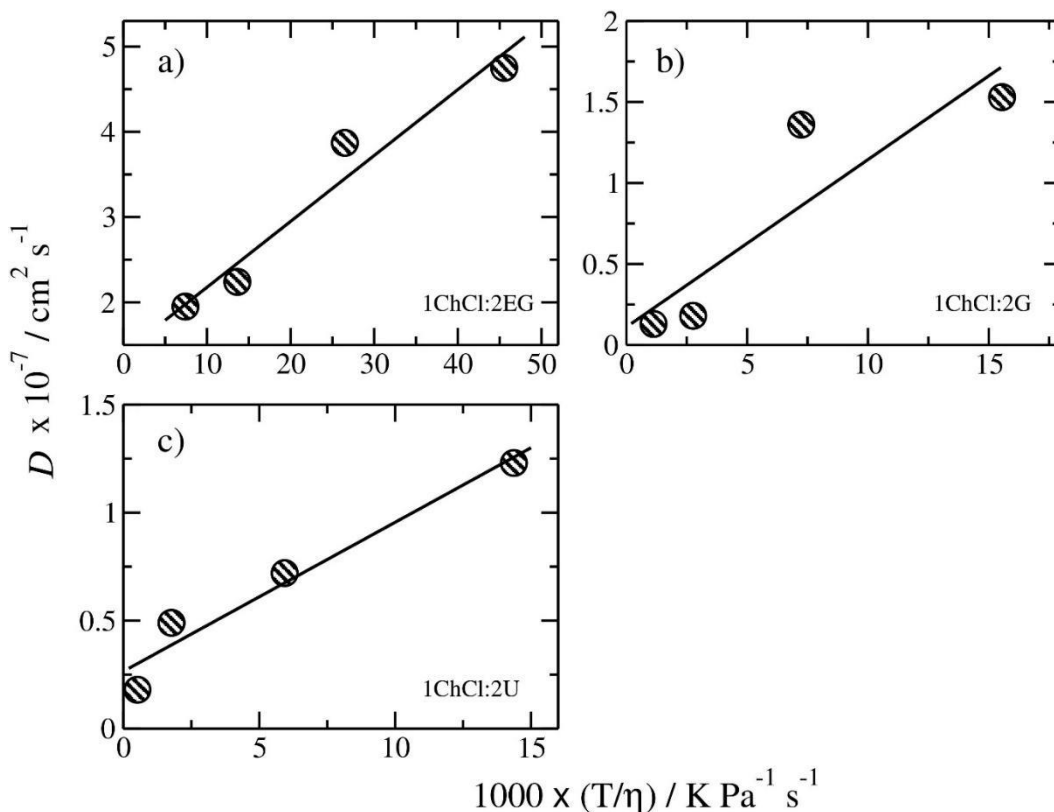


Fig. 4 Stokes-Einstein plots obtained from (a) 1ChCl:2EG, (b) 1ChCl:2G, and (c) 1ChCl:2U.

3.2 Computational results

3.2.1 Validation of MD simulations

To validate the systems simulated through of OPLS-AA force field and CHELPG method is necessary to correlate the data of specific mass (Fig. 5) and diffusion coefficient (Fig. 6) obtain by experimental and theoretical methods. Fig. 5 showed the values of specific mass in function of temperature for the SDW1 (Fig. 5a), SDW2 (Fig. 5b), and SDW3 (Fig. 5c) systems. Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, occurred the reduction of specific mass in the three systems simulated (Fig. 5a, 5b, and 5c) for two methods (experimental and theoretical) analyzed. The diffusion coefficient values are present in Fig. 6 for the same systems analyzed previously (Fig. 6a, 6b, and 6c). Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, was observed the increase of values for the diffusion of coefficient. Therefore, OPLS-AA force field and CHELPG method may be used to describe the interactions presents in the systems.

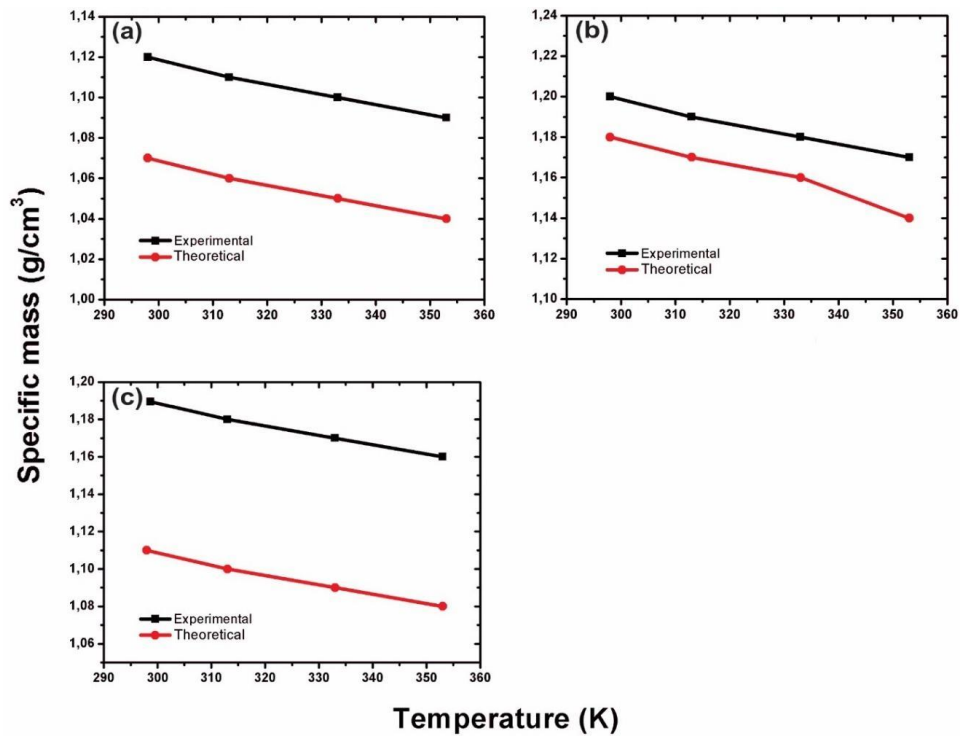


Fig. 5 Correlation between the values of specific mass obtain though of experimental and theoretical methods in function of temperature. Systems simulated: (a) SDW1, (b) SDW2, and (c) SDW3.

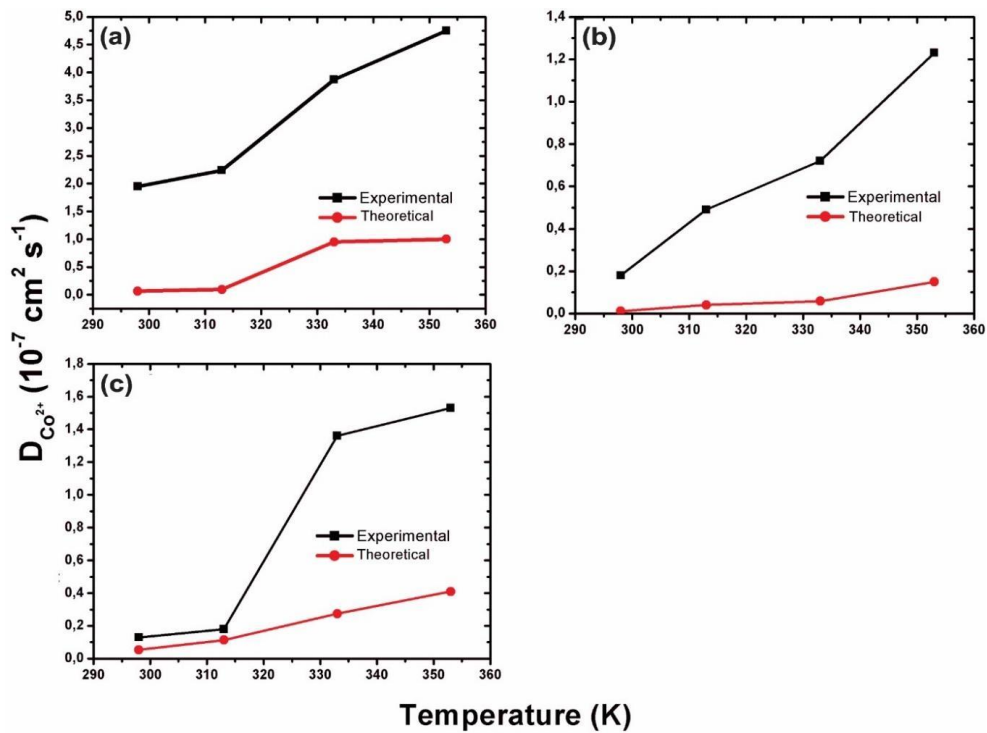


Fig. 6 Correlation between the diffusion coefficient obtain though of experimental and theoretical methods in function of temperature. Systems simulated: (a) SDW1, (b) SDW2, and (c) SDW3.

3.2.2 Co²⁺ ions in the SDW1 system

Fig. 7 shows the radial distribution function (RDF) that performs a structural analysis of the system through probability density of the components around the Co²⁺ ions at temperatures 298 K, 313 K, 333 K, and 353 K (Figs. 7a, 7b, 7c, and 7d, respectively). The RDF results shown in Fig. 7 indicated that the main interaction is between Co²⁺ ions and the anions chloride around 3.50 Å independent of temperature; the high value of $g(r)$ for Co-Cl interaction is explained due a strong attraction electrostatic between these ions. The second and third strongest interactions were Co-Ow and Co-(O1,O2), respectively. Both interactions showed a distance with Co²⁺ ions in the values around 3.10 Å independent of temperature. Due to the lowest $g(r)$ value for Co-O7, the interaction of Co²⁺ ions with choline oxygen (O7) was disregarded. Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, the probability of Co²⁺ ions interact with anion chloride becomes bigger due to the increase in the value of $g(r)$ for the temperatures of 333 K and 353 K (Fig.7c and 7d, respectively). On the other hand, there are a decrease significative in the $g(r)$ values for Co-Ow and Co-(O1,O2) interactions for the temperatures of 333 K and 353 K (Fig.7c and 7d, respectively).

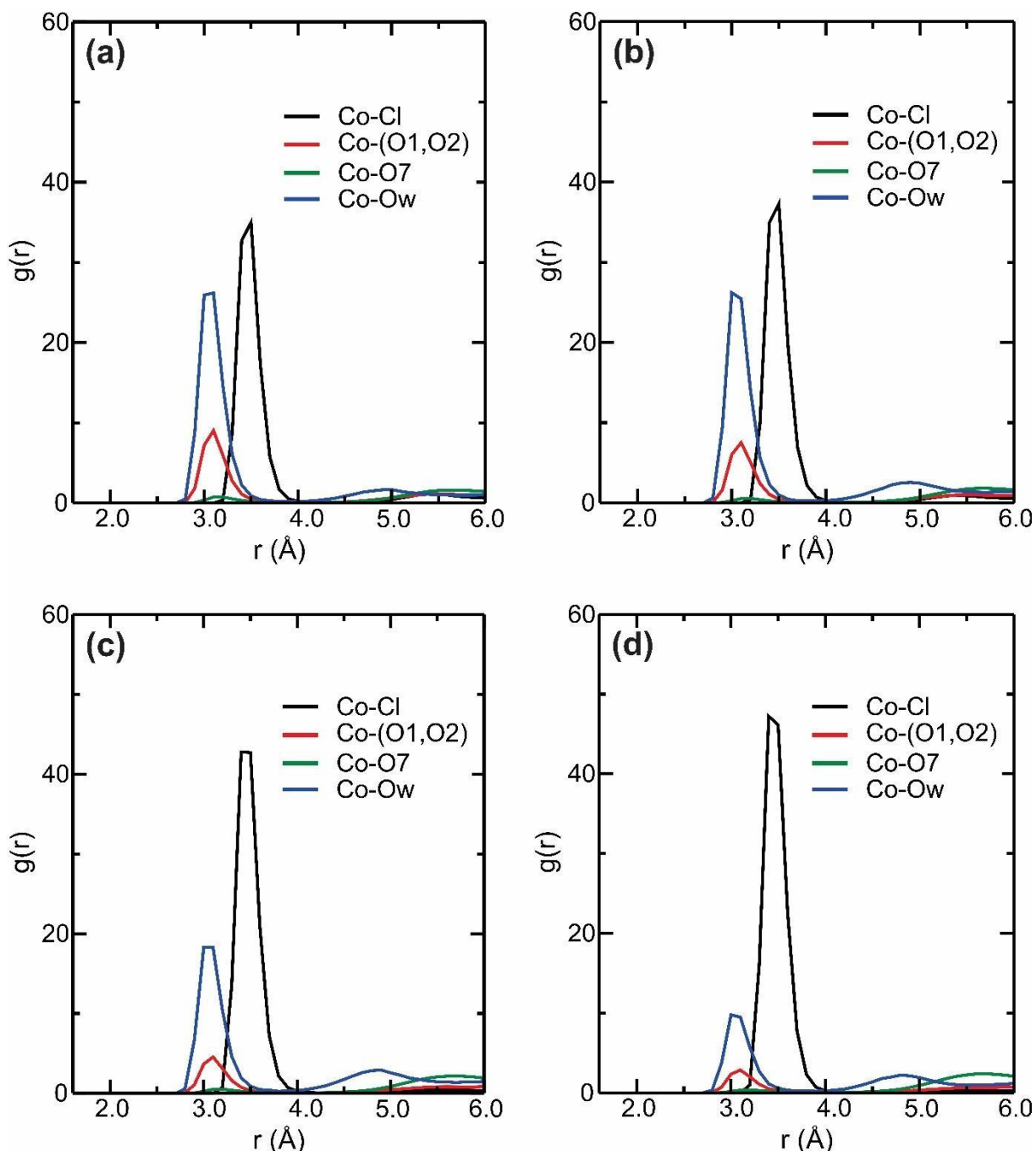


Fig. 7 Radial distribution functions (RDF) of Co^{2+} ions with atoms present in the SDW1 system, at temperatures (a) 298 K, (b) 313 K, (c) 333 K, and (d) 353 K.

Fig. 8 shows the cumulative number (CN) between Co^{2+} ions with anion chloride (Fig. 8a), ethylene glycol (Fig. 8b), and water (Fig. 8c) molecules in the function of distance. Analyzing the temperatures of 298 K and 353 K [which are extreme values of the graph for Co-Cl and Co-(O1,O2) interactions in the Figs 8a and 8b, respectively], the value of CN increase of 3.8 for 5.3 to Co-Cl interaction (Fig. 8a), while that for Co-(O1,O2) interaction (Fig. 8b) occurred the reduction of CN (3.4 for 1.1) for the respective temperatures. The Co-Ow

interaction (Fig. 8c) shows values of CN similar for the four temperatures (298 K, 313 K, 333 K, and 353 K). Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, the results indicate that the replacement of ethylene glycol molecules by anion chloride around Co^{2+} ions in the temperature range from 298 K to 353 K.

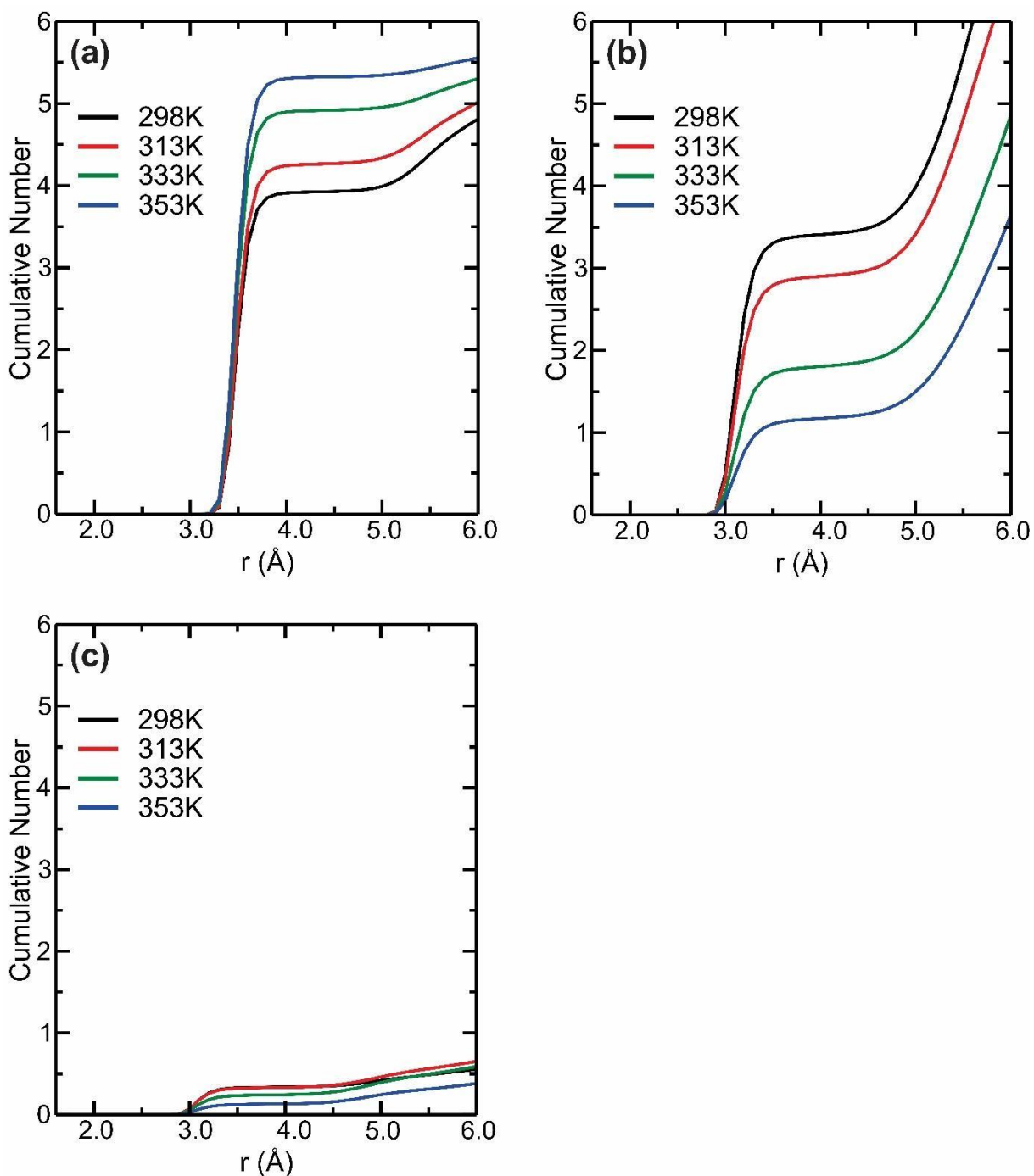


Fig. 8 Cumulative number (CN) of (a) Co-Cl, (b) Co-(O1, O2), and (c) Co-Ow interactions.

The spatial distribution function (SDF) present in Fig. 9 shows how the components of the system are distributed around Co^{2+} ions in the temperature of 298 K (Fig. 9a) and 353 K

(Fig. 9b); these interval temperatures that occurred the replaced of ethylene glycol molecules by anions chloride around Co^{2+} ions (Fig. 8a and 8b). In the temperature of 298 K (Fig. 9a) and 353 K (Fig. 9b), anion chloride (green) showed a strong predominance around Co^{2+} ions (red), following ethylene glycol (blue) and water (yellow) molecules. Analyzing increasing temperature effect, occurred the increase of density for anion chloride (green) around Co^{2+} ions, while ethylene glycol molecules dispersed and distanced. The density of the water remains almost constant around Co^{2+} ions.

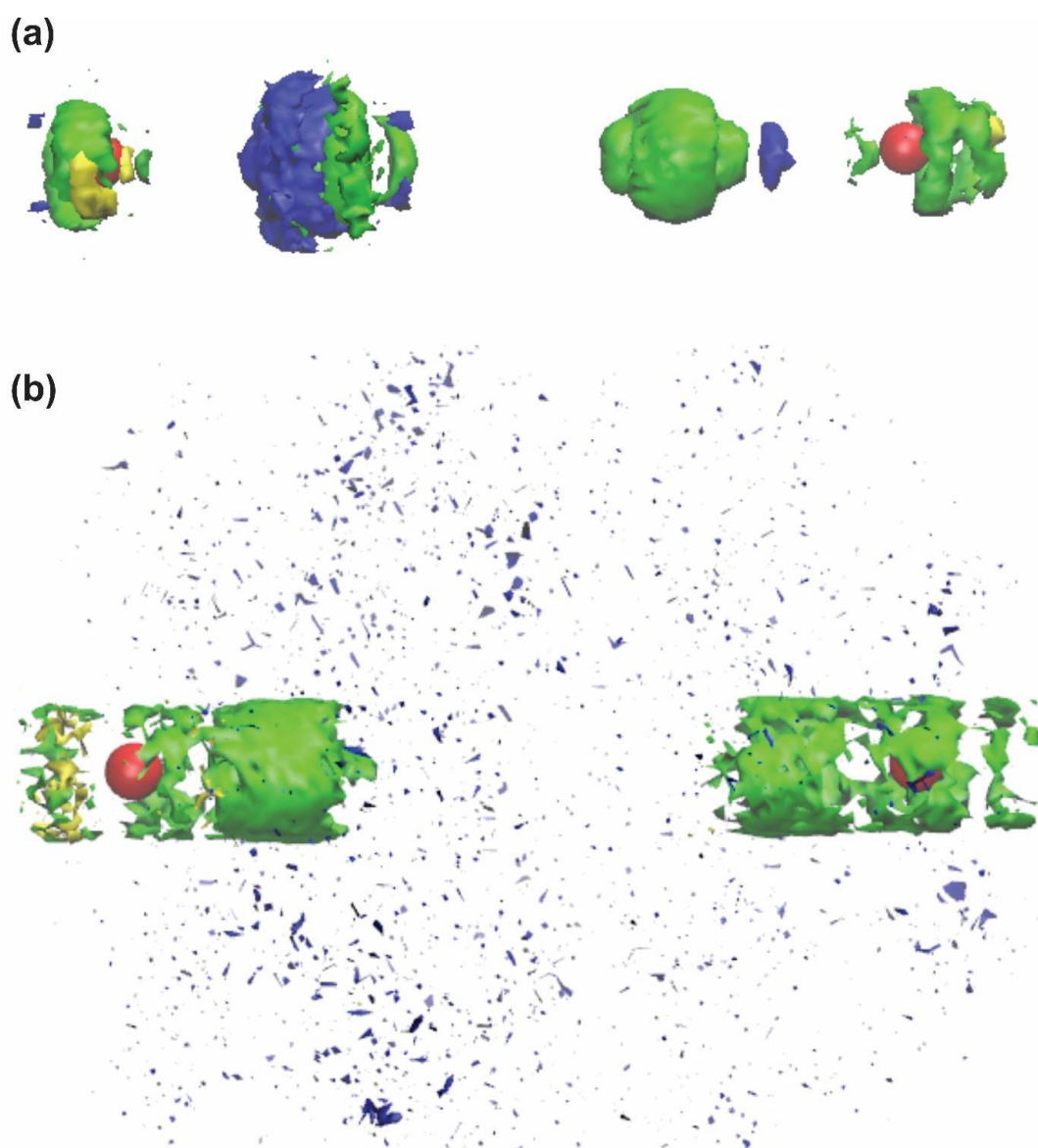


Fig. 9 Spatial distribution function (SDF) between Co^{2+} ions with components present in the SDW1 system, at temperatures (a) 298 K and (b) 353 K. Co^{2+} (red); chloride (green, isovalue = 0.0013); ethylene glycol (blue, isovalue = 0.0105); water (yellow, isovalue = 0.0004).

Table 2 Topological data for Co^{2+} interactions with SDW1 system, at temperatures of 298 K and 353 K. Electron density, $\rho(r)$, Laplacian of electron density, $\nabla^2\rho(r)$, ELF value, $\eta(r)$, at bond critical points (BCP) of selected Co-Cl and Co-(O1,O2) interactions.

Interaction	BCP	$\rho(r)$	$\nabla^2\rho(r)$	$\eta(r)$	Temperature
Co-Cl	1	4.4178E-03	5.6272E-03	3.5801E-02	298 K
	2	4.8021E-03	5.4073E-03	4.2747E-02	
	3	5.3218E-03	5.9067E-03	5.1373E-02	
Co-(O1,O2)	4	2.7309E-03	6.7171E-03	8.4408E-03	
	5	4.1283E-03	1.0764E-02	1.3462E-02	
	6	7.4588E-03	1.7342E-02	3.0535E-02	
	7	8.8611E-03	3.5664E-02	2.2609E-02	
	8	7.0132E-03	2.8131E-02	1.7752E-02	
Co-Cl	9	5.5279E-03	1.0170E-02	2.5343E-02	
	1	6.4179E-03	9.5046E-03	5.3092E-02	353 K
	2	9.0937E-03	1.7924E-02	6.6055E-02	
	3	5.7288E-03	7.9153E-03	4.7295E-02	
4	3.9595E-03	5.4928E-03	2.7936E-02		
Co-(O1,O2)	5	8.1720E-03	2.7091E-02	2.3503E-02	
	6	5.0484E-03	1.0710E-02	1.8471E-02	
	7	4.4691E-03	1.5122E-02	1.2072E-02	
	8	5.71817E-03	1.4260E-02	2.0113E-02	

Table 2 contains values of the electronic density, $\rho(r)$, the Laplacian of the electronic density, $\nabla^2\rho(r)$, and the electron localization function (ELF), $\eta(r)$, for Bond Critical Points (BCPs) of Co^{2+} with the SDW1 system. The sum of all $\rho(r)$ values for Co-Cl interaction in the temperatures of 298 K and 353K were of $\Sigma\rho(r) = 1.4542\text{E-}02$ and $\Sigma\rho(r) = 2.5200\text{E-}02$, respectively. As well as the sum of $\eta(r)$ values for the above interaction and in the same temperatures were of $\Sigma\eta(r) = 1.2992\text{E-}01$ and $\Sigma\eta(r) = 1.9438\text{E-}01$, respectively. On the other hand, the Co-(O1,O2) interaction registered in the temperatures of 298 K and 353 K the sum of

all $\rho(r)$ values were of $\Sigma\rho(r) = 3.5720\text{E-}02$ and $\Sigma\rho(r) = 2.3408\text{E-}02$, respectively. While that the sum of $\eta(r)$ values were of $\Sigma\eta(r) = 1.1814\text{E-}01$ and $\Sigma\eta(r) = 7.4159\text{E-}02$, in the same temperatures above, respectively. Therefore, the increasing temperature occasioned an increase in the strength of Co-Cl interaction, while that the Co-(O1,O2) interaction became weaker. Moreover, the positive values of $\nabla^2\rho(r)$ indicate that the electronic density is locally depleted characterizing intra or intermolecular interactions.⁴⁴ The molecular graphs with bond paths and the interactions [Co-Cl and Co-(O1,O2)] are illustrated in Figs. 10a and 10b in the temperatures of 298 K and 353 K, respectively.

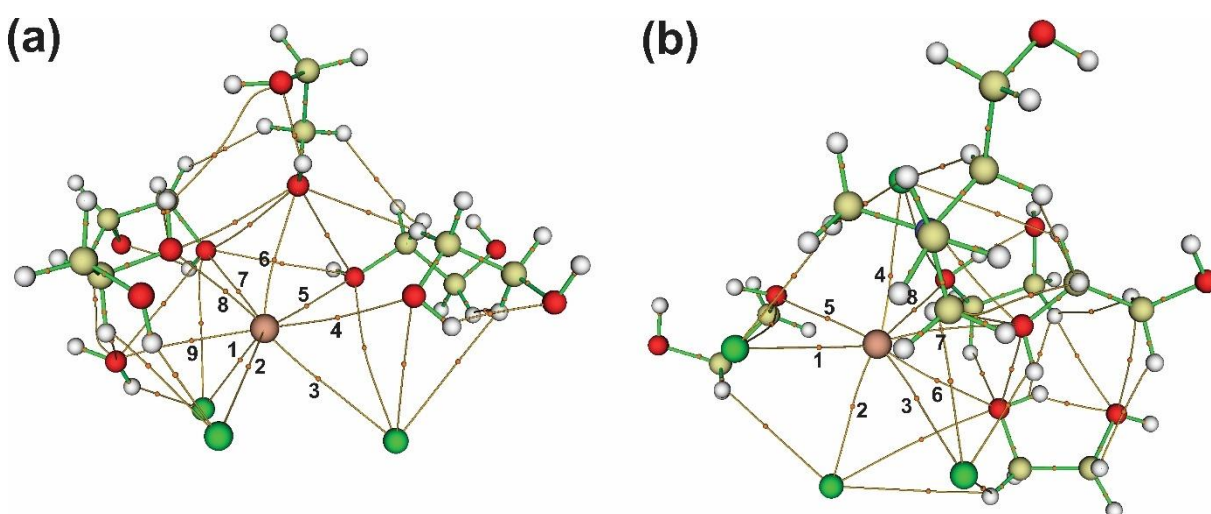


Fig. 10 Molecular graphs with intramolecular interactions and BCP of the Co^{2+} ion with the SDW1 system, at temperatures of (a) 298 K and (b) 353 K.

3.2.2 Co^{2+} ions in the SDW2 system

The RDF plot present in Fig. 11 showed that the main interaction was between the Co^{2+} ions with anion chloride around 3.50 \AA independent of temperature; this high value of $g(r)$ is explained by the strong attraction electrostatic between these ions. The second and third strongest interactions were between the Co^{2+} ions with the urea oxygen (O3) and water oxygen (Ow), respectively; both interactions present in the same distance of 3.10 \AA independent of temperature. The others interactions [Co-(N1,N2) and Co-O7] will not be discussed due to their low $g(r)$ value. Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, the probability of Co-Cl and Co-O3 interactions did not show changes significant due to the value of $g(r)$ remain almost constant (Figs. 11a, 11b, 11c, and 11d). On the other hand, the probability for Co-Ow interaction increased due to the increase of $g(r)$ in the temperature of 313 K and 333 K (Figs. 11b and 11c, respectively).

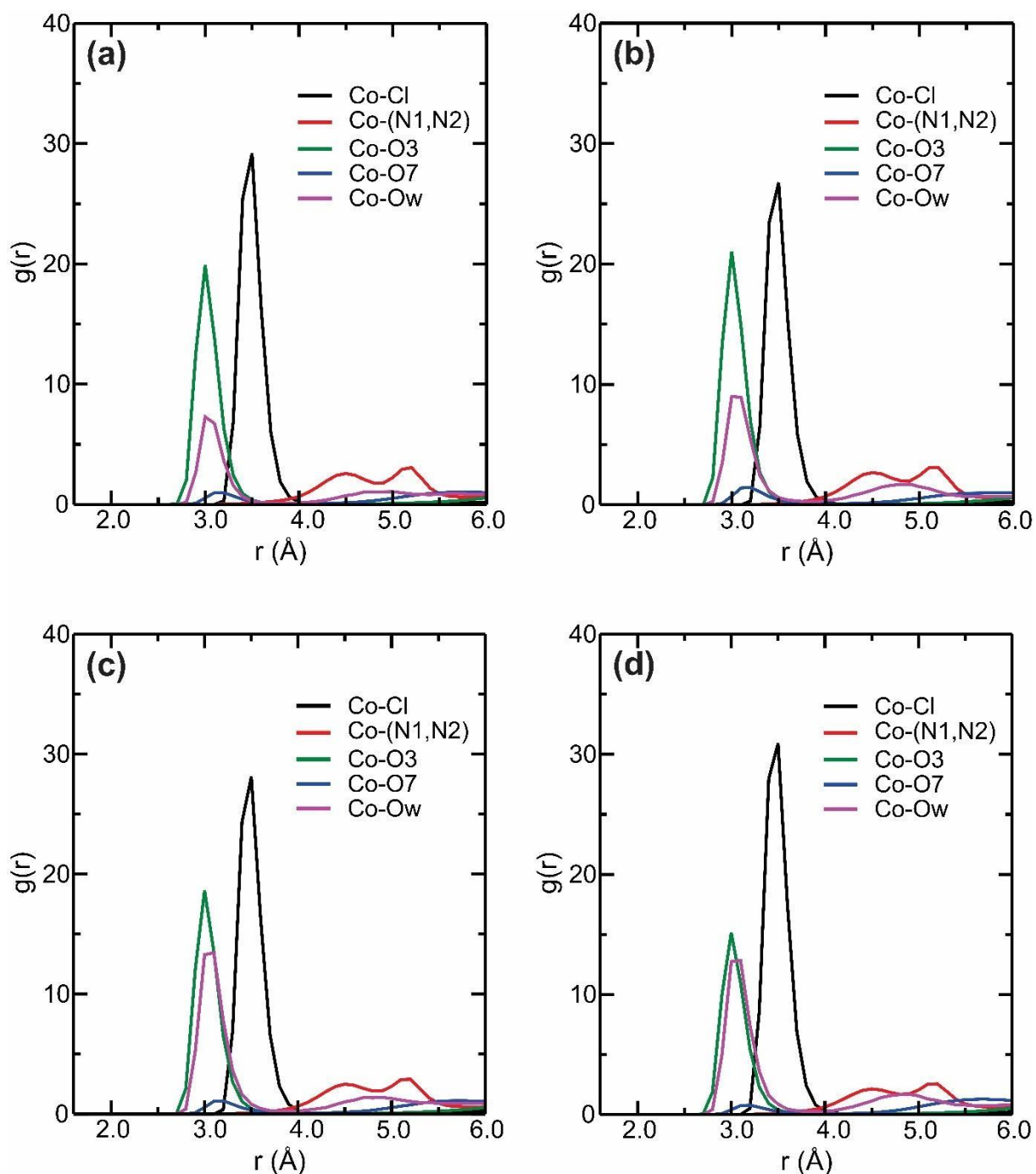


Fig. 11 Radial distribution functions (RDF) of Co^{2+} ions with atoms present in the SDW2 system, at temperatures (a) 298 K, (b) 313 K, (c) 333 K, and (d) 353 K.

Analyzing the values of CNs (Fig. 12) in the temperature of 313 K to 353 K (that are extremes values of the plots for Co-Cl and Co-O3 interactions), Co-Cl interaction (Fig. 12a) showed an increase from 3.45 to 4.10, while that the Co-O3 interaction (Fig. 12b) showed a reduction from 3.87 to 2.90. The Co-Ow interaction (Fig. 12c) remains similar values of CN in

the four temperatures (298 K, 313 K, 333 K, and 353 K). Analyzing the increasing temperature effect in the interval of 313 K to 353 K, the replaced occurred of urea molecules by anion chloride around Co^{2+} ions.

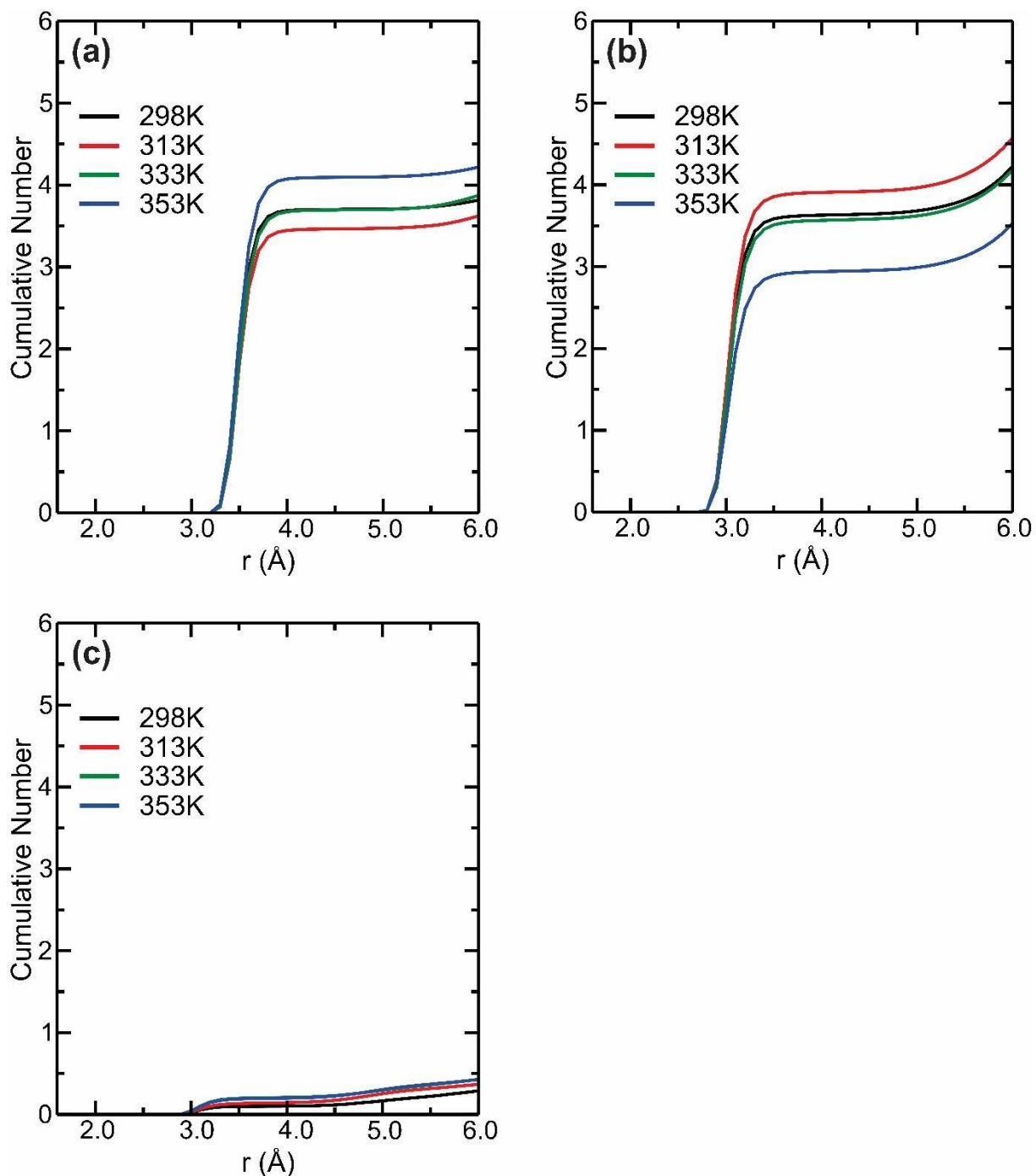


Fig. 12 Cumulative number (CN) of (a) Co-Cl, (b) Co-O3, and (c) Co-Ow interactions.

Analyzing the SDFs in the temperatures of 313 K (Fig. 13a) and 353 K (Fig. 13b), the density of chloride (green) is mainly distributed around of Co^{2+} ions than that urea (blue) and

water (yellow) molecules. The temperatures of 313 K and 353 K were chosen due to the replacement of urea molecules by anions chloride around the Co^{2+} ions occurring in these intervals of temperature (Figs. 12a and 12b). Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, the density of anion chloride increased around Co^{2+} ions while the density of urea molecules decreased. On the other hand, the density of water molecules did not show changes significant with the increasing temperature effect.

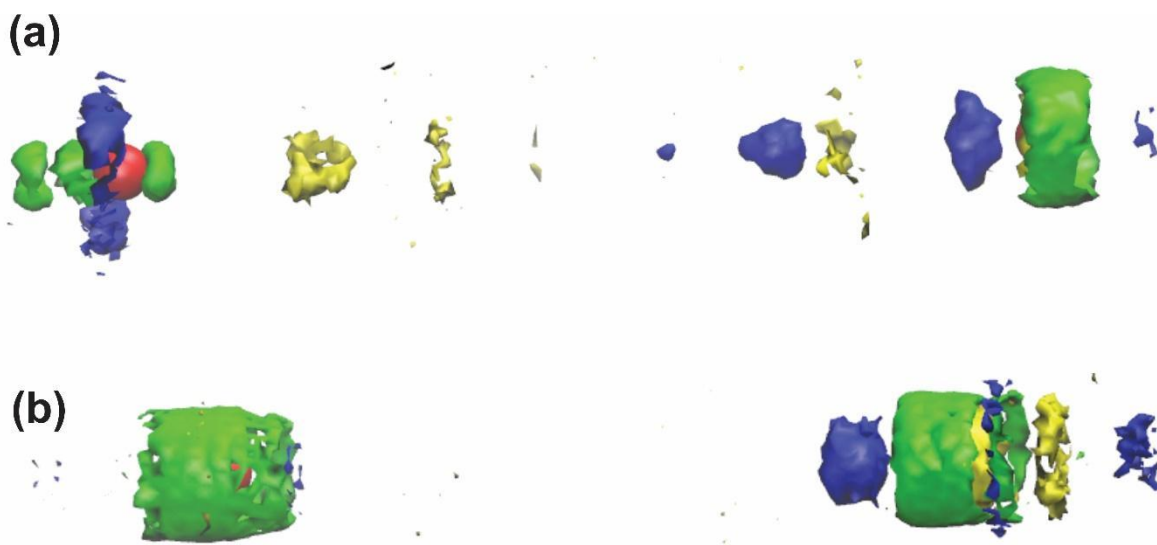


Fig. 13 Spatial distribution function (SDF) between Co^{2+} ions with components present in the SDW2 system, at temperatures (a) 313 K and (b) 353 K. Co^{2+} (red); chloride (green, isovalue = 0.0038); urea (blue, isovalue = 0.0127); water (yellow, isovalue = 0.0007).

Table 3

Topological data for Co^{2+} interactions with SDW2 system, at temperatures of 313 K and 353 K. Electron density, $\rho(r)$, Laplacian of electron density, $\nabla^2\rho(r)$, ELF value, $\eta(r)$, at bond critical points (BCP) of selected Co-Cl and Co-O3 interactions.

Interaction	BCP	$\rho(r)$	$\nabla^2\rho(r)$	$\eta(r)$	Temperature	
Co-Cl	1	7.1075E-03	9.3280E-03	6.3513E-02	313 K	
	2	4.6003E-03	6.9248E-03	3.3827E-02		
Co-O3	3	7.3932E-03	2.4596E-02	2.2047E-02		
	4	7.7985E-03	2.7305E-02	2.3869E-02		
	5	5.0633E-03	1.0495E-02	1.8503E-02		
	6	6.5064E-03	2.1060E-02	2.0054E-02		
	7	6.0316E-03	1.2461E-02	2.4420E-02		
	8	7.3798E-03	1.9579E-02	2.4314E-02		
Co-Cl	9	2.6162E-03	7.1097E-03	6.5241E-03		353 K
	1	5.7570E-03	1.0509E-02	3.9428E-02		
	2	6.2899E-03	9.9886E-03	4.8826E-02		
	3	6.9508E-03	1.3194E-02	4.8486E-02		
4	5.7448E-03	7.8832E-03	4.5789E-02			
Co-O3	5	6.9977E-03	1.8893E-02	2.4500E-02		
	6	8.1299E-03	2.2050E-02	2.7215E-02		
	7	5.2635E-03	1.5281E-02	1.5865E-02		

The topological data referring to the BCP of interactions between Co^{2+} ions and the SDW2 system are present in Table 3. Analyzing the temperatures of 313 K and 353 K for Co-Cl interaction, the sum of the values of $\rho(r)$ were of $\Sigma\rho(r) = 1.1708\text{E-}02$ and $\Sigma\rho(r) = 2.4743\text{E-}02$, for the respective temperatures, as well as the sum of all $\eta(r)$ were of $\Sigma\eta(r) = 9.7340\text{E-}02$ and $\Sigma\eta(r) = 1.8253\text{E-}01$, for the respective temperatures. Performing the same analysis in the same temperature ranges for the Co-O3 interaction, the sum of the values $\rho(r)$ were of $\Sigma\rho(r) = 4.2789\text{E-}02$ and $\Sigma\rho(r) = 2.0391\text{E-}02$, as well as the sum of the values of $\eta(r)$ were of $\Sigma\eta(r) =$

1.3973E-01 and $\Sigma\eta(r) = 6.7580E-02$, for the respective temperatures. Therefore, the increasing temperature occasioned in the increase of strength for Co-Cl interaction, in comparison that the Co-O3 interaction became weaker. Moreover, positive values of $\nabla^2\rho(r)$ indicate that intra or intermolecular interactions are present because the electronic density is locally depleted.⁴⁴ The molecular graphs with bond paths and BCP at temperatures 313 K and 353 K are shown in Figs. 14a and 14b, for Co-Cl and Co-O3 interactions, respectively.

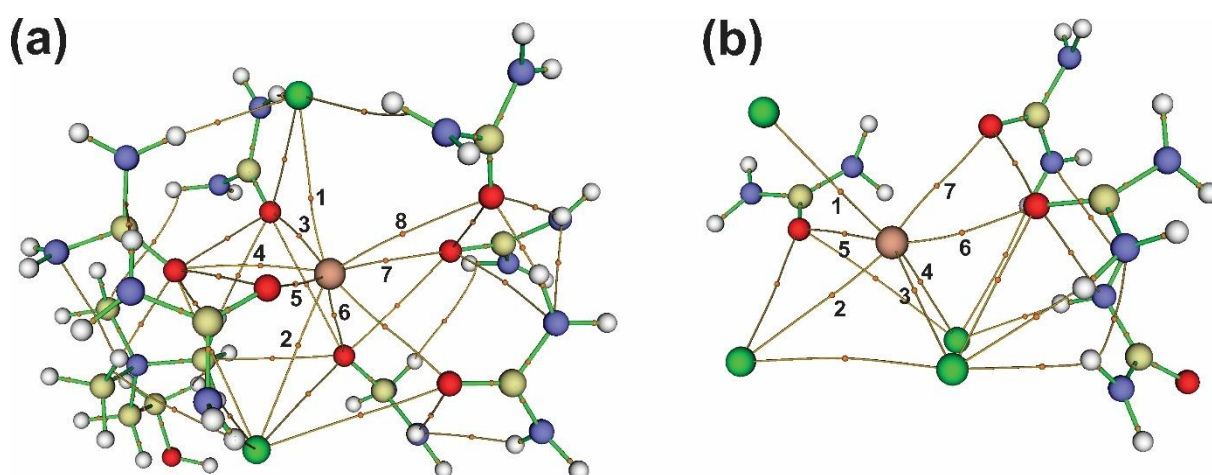


Fig. 14 Molecular graphs with intramolecular interactions and BCP of the Co^{2+} ion with the SDW2 system, at temperatures of (a) 313 K and (b) 353 K.

Co^{2+} ion in the SDW3 system

Fig. 15 shows a strong interaction between the Co^{2+} ions and the anion chloride around 3.50 Å independent of temperature; the high value of $g(r)$ for this interaction is explained due to the strong attraction electrostatic between these ions. The second and third strongest interactions were Co-Ow and Co-(O4,O5,O6), respectively; both interactions are localized around 3.10 Å independent of temperature. The Co-O7 interaction will not be discussed due to the low value of $g(r)$ showed. Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, the probability of Co-Cl interaction (Figs. 15a, 15b, 15c, and 15d) showed a slight increase while that for Co-(O4,O5,O6) and Co-Ow interactions (Figs. 15a, 15b, 15c, and 15d) showed a small reduction.

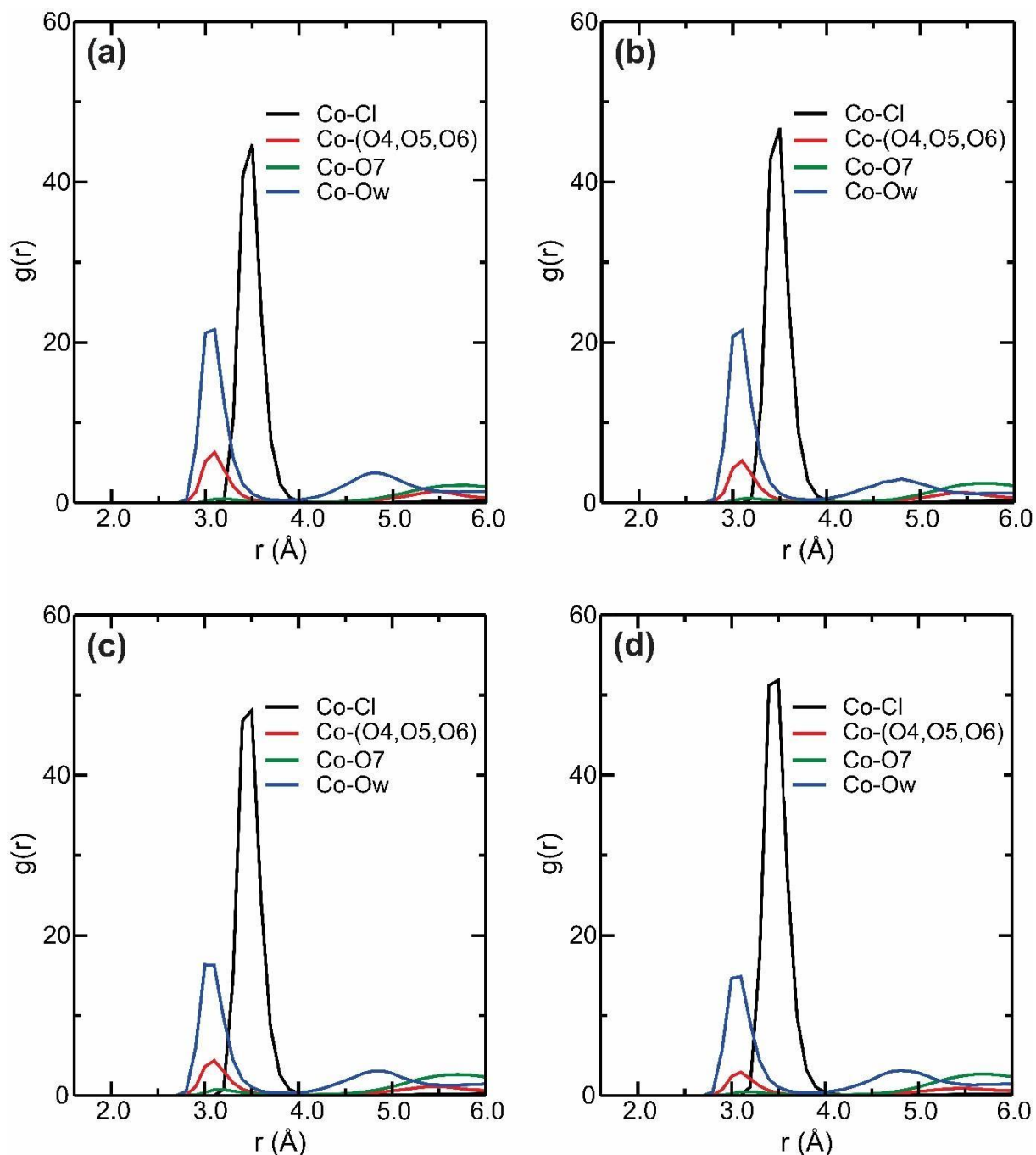


Fig. 15 Radial distribution functions (RDF) of Co^{2+} with atoms present in the SDW3 system, at temperatures (a) 298 K, (b) 313 K, (c) 333 K, and (d) 353 K.

The CNs (Fig.16) were analyzed in the temperatures of 298 K and 353 K due to were extremes values of the plots for Co-Cl and Co-(O4,O5,O6) interactions (Figs 16a and 16b, respectively). The Co-Cl interaction showed an increase of 4.25 to 5.20 while the Co-(O4,O5,O6) interaction presented a reduction of 3.0 to 1.5, in the respective temperatures (298K and 353 K). On the other hand, $g(r)$ values for Co-Ow interaction (Fig. 16c) showed were

similar independent of temperature. Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, occurred a replacement of glycerol molecules by anions chloride around of Co^{2+} ions.

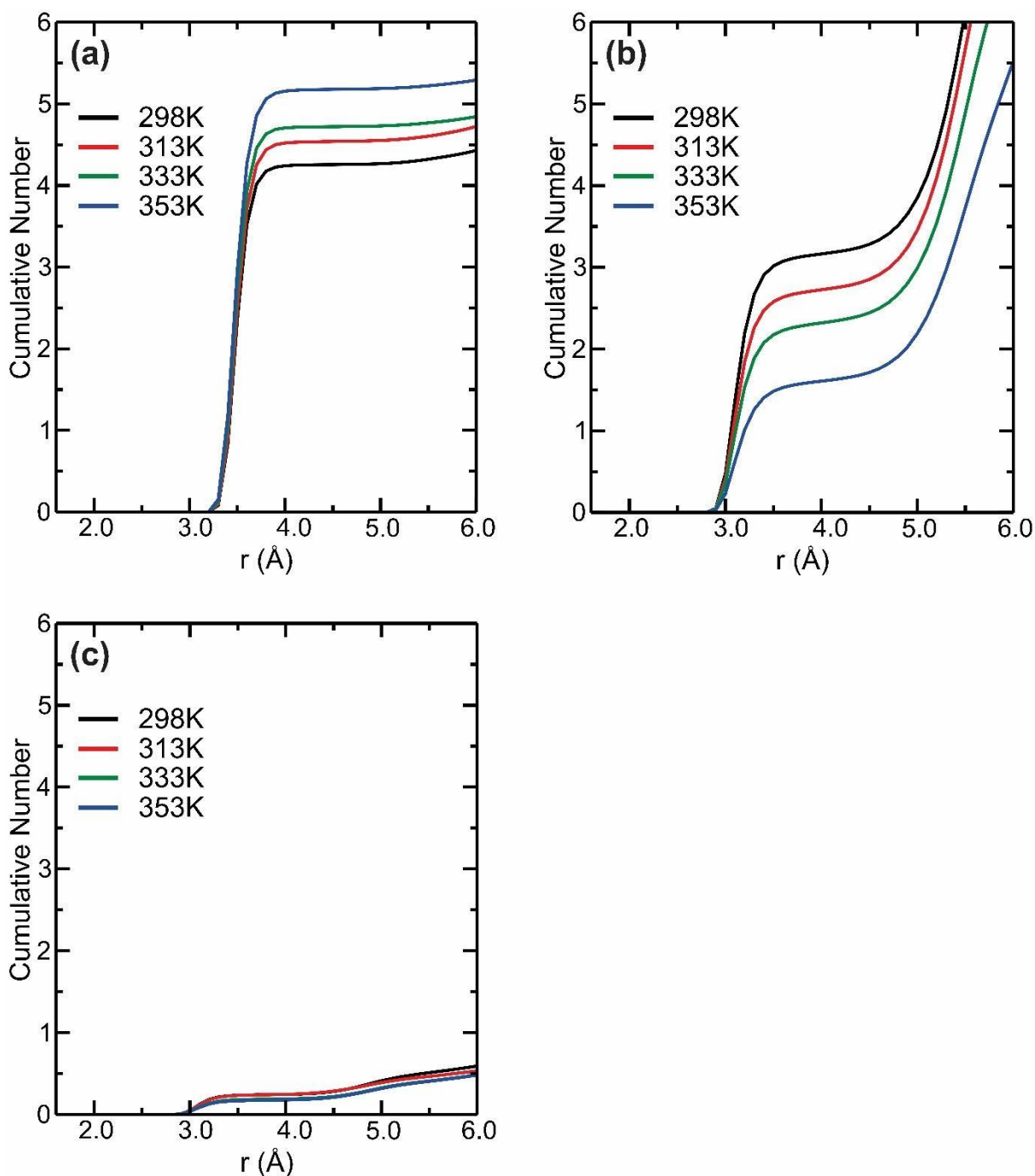


Fig. 16 Cumulative number (CN) of (a) Co-Cl, (b) Co-(O4,O5,O6), and (c) Co-Ow interactions.

The SDFs in the temperatures of 298 K (Fig. 17a) and 353 K (Fig. 17b) showed a high distribution of density of anion chloride (green) around Co^{2+} ions, following glycerol (blue) and water (yellow) molecules. These temperatures were chosen due to the replacement of glycerol

molecules by anion chloride (Fig. 16a and 16b) occur in this interval (298K to 353K). Analyzing the increasing temperature effect, the density of anion chloride becomes more pronounced around Co^{2+} ions while that the density of urea molecules spread in the system. On the other hand, the density of the water remains almost constant around Co^{2+} ions.

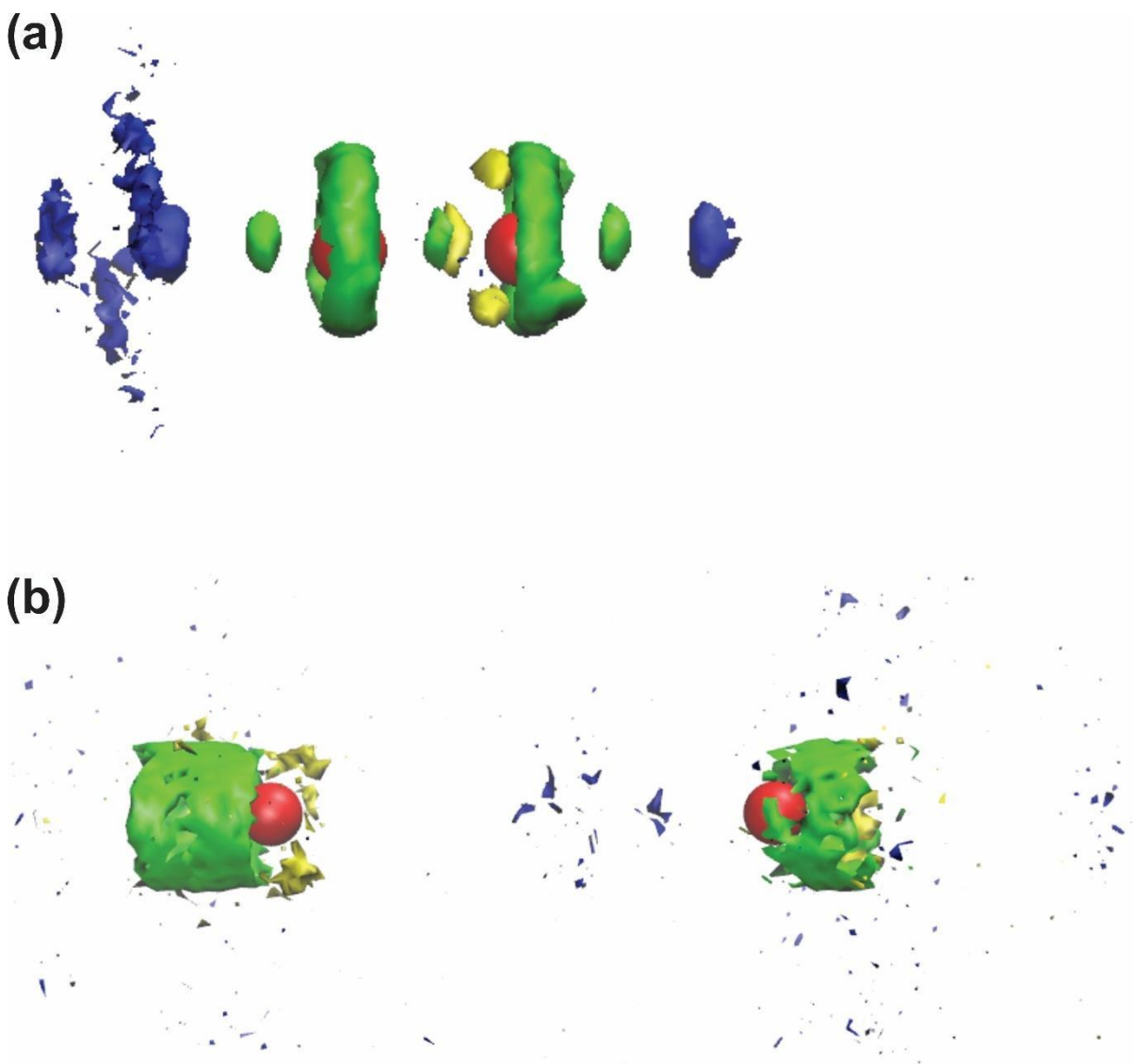


Fig. 17 Spatial distribution function (SDF) between Co^{2+} ions with components present in the SDW3 system, at temperatures (a) 298 K and (b) 353 K. Co^{2+} (red); chloride (green, isovalue = 0.0047); glycerol (blue, isovalue = 0.0122); water (yellow, isovalue = 0.0027).

Table 4

Topological data for Co^{2+} interactions with SDW3 system, at temperatures of 298 K and 353 K. Electron density, $\rho(r)$, Laplacian of electron density, $\nabla^2\rho(r)$, ELF value, $\eta(r)$, at bond critical points (BCP) of selected Co-Cl and Co-(O4,O5,O6) interactions.

Interaction	BCP	$\rho(r)$	$\nabla^2\rho(r)$	$\eta(r)$	Temperature
Co-Cl	1	1.0766E-03	6.1057E-03	1.0380E-03	298 K
	2	8.8393E-03	1.6326E-02	6.7860E-02	
	3	4.6079E-03	5.1647E-03	4.1799E-02	
Co-(O4,O5,O6)	4	3.8872E-03	1.0373E-02	1.2066E-02	
	5	6.1783E-03	1.8120E-02	2.0318E-02	
	6	6.5377E-03	1.7995E-02	2.3707E-02	
	7	6.3158E-03	1.5833E-02	2.1769E-02	
Co-Cl	1	6.0489E-03	9.1343E-03	4.8536E-02	353 K
	2	6.2926E-03	8.6926E-03	5.4145E-02	
	3	7.6925E-03	1.2531E-02	6.4176E-02	
	4	7.8102E-03	1.3716E-02	6.0627E-02	

Table 4 shows the topological data of Co^{2+} interaction with the SDW3 system, the sum of all $\rho(r)$ values for Co-Cl interaction were of $\Sigma\rho(r) = 1.4524\text{E-}02$ and $\Sigma\rho(r) = 2.7844\text{E-}02$, in the temperatures of 298 K and 353K, respectively. As well as the sum of all $\eta(r)$ for the same interaction above were of $\Sigma\eta(r) = 1.1070\text{E-}01$ and $\Sigma\eta(r) = 2.2748\text{E-}01$, for the same temperatures analyzed. On the other hand, the Co-(O4,O5,O6) interaction showed $\rho(r)$ and $\eta(r)$ values only in the temperature of 298 K that were $\Sigma\rho(r) = 2.2919\text{E-}02$ and $\Sigma\eta(r) = 7.7860\text{E-}02$, while that in the temperature of 353 K the SDW3 system did not present BCP with Co^{2+} ions. Therefore, the increasing temperature occasioned in the increase of strength for Co-Cl interaction, while that the Co-(O4,O5,O6) interaction presents a reduction in the number of BCP. $\nabla^2\rho(r)$ values positive were registered indicate that intra or intermolecular interactions are present in this system,⁴⁴ indicate that the electronic charges are depleted along the interatomic path, being a characteristic of closed-shell interactions.⁴⁵ Fig. 18a and 18b show the molecular graphs with bond paths and BCP of Co-Cl and Co-(O4,O5,O6) interactions, at temperatures of 298 K and 353 K, respectively.

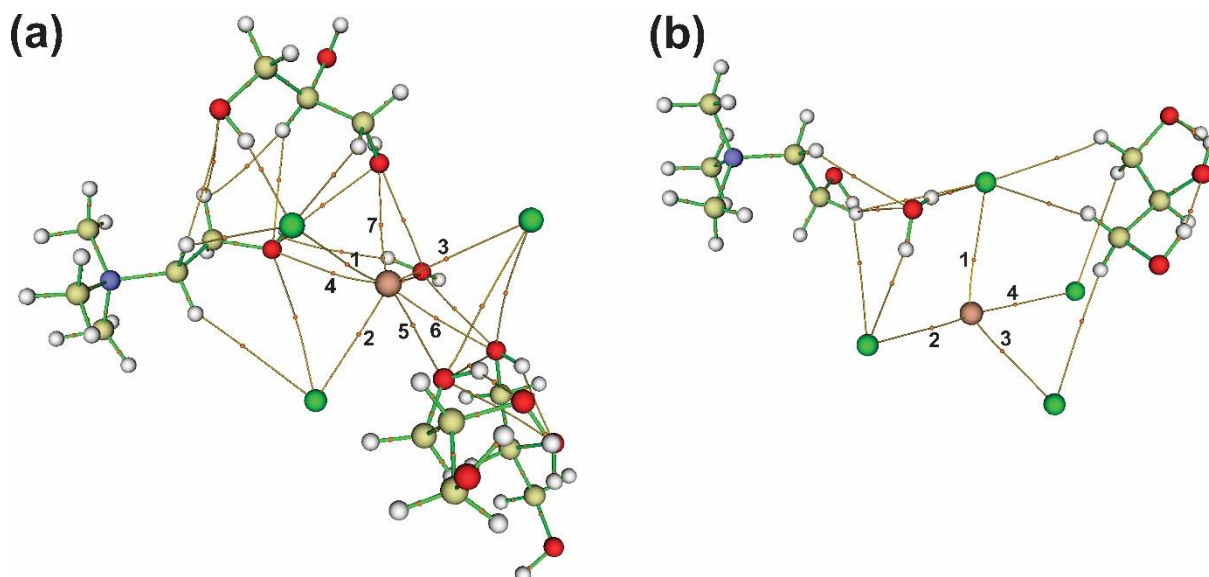


Fig. 18 Molecular graphs with intramolecular interactions and BCP of the Co^{2+} ion with the SDW3 system, at temperatures of (a) 298 K and (b) 353 K.

4 Conclusions

For all three electrolytes, the increase in the diffusion coefficient and decrease in the viscosity with increasing temperature was clearly apparent. The relationship could be quantified via the Cottrell and Arrhenius equations. Calculated values of the activation energies showed that energy barriers for the diffusion of Co^{2+} ions followed the following sequence: 1ChCl:2EG < 1ChCl:2U < 1ChCl:2G.

The simulations by molecular dynamics (MD) showed a strong interaction of anion chloride with Co^{2+} ions independent of temperature in the three systems analyzed. Besides, in the interval of temperature between 298 K and 353 K occurred the replaced of HBD molecules by anion chloride around Co^{2+} ions for SDW1 and SDW3 systems, while for SDW2 system this replaced occurred between 313 K and 353 K. The CN between Co^{2+} ions with water molecules did not showed changes significative with the increase temperature effect in the three systems analyzed. The simulations realized by QTAIM indicated that the Co-Cl interaction became stronger due to the increase of temperature in the three systems (SDW1, SDW2, and SDW3) analyzed. In contrast, the increase in temperature weakened the interaction between Co^{2+} ions with the oxygen of HBD molecules.

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Supplementary material

The supplementary material includes CVs and Cottrellian profiles experimentally obtained for all the investigated solvents. Experimental diffusion coefficients and viscosity are shown in the Tables S1 and S2, respectively.

Conflicts of interest

The authors report no declarations of interest.

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The data that supports the findings of this study are available within the article [and its supplementary material].

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Supplementary Material

Table S1. Effect of temperature on the viscosity of 1ChCl:2EG, 1ChCl:2U, and 1ChCl:2G containing $0.1 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

System	Temperature / K	η / mPa s ^a	a / nm
1ChCl:2EG	298	40.1	0.95
	312	23.0	
	333	12.6	
	353	7.75	
1ChCl:2U	298	574.4	1.06
	312	176.7	
	333	56.1	
	353	24.6	
1ChCl:2G	298	265.4	0.70
	312	113.4	
	333	46.0	
	353	22.8	

^a1 Pa s = $10 \text{ g cm}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Table S2. The values of diffusion coefficients for Co^{2+} species calculated by the Cottrell method.

System	$D / \text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1} \times 10^{-7}$	Temperature / K
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2EG	1.95 ± 0.54	298
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2EG	2.24 ± 0.07	313
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2EG	3.87 ± 0.07	333
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2EG	4.75 ± 0.50	353
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2U	0.18 ± 0.04	298
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2U	0.49 ± 0.05	313
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2U	0.72 ± 0.06	333
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2U	1.23 ± 0.22	353
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2G	0.13 ± 0.03	298
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2G	0.18 ± 0.09	313
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2G	1.36 ± 0.06	333
CoCl_2 in 1ChCl:2G	1.53 ± 0.22	353

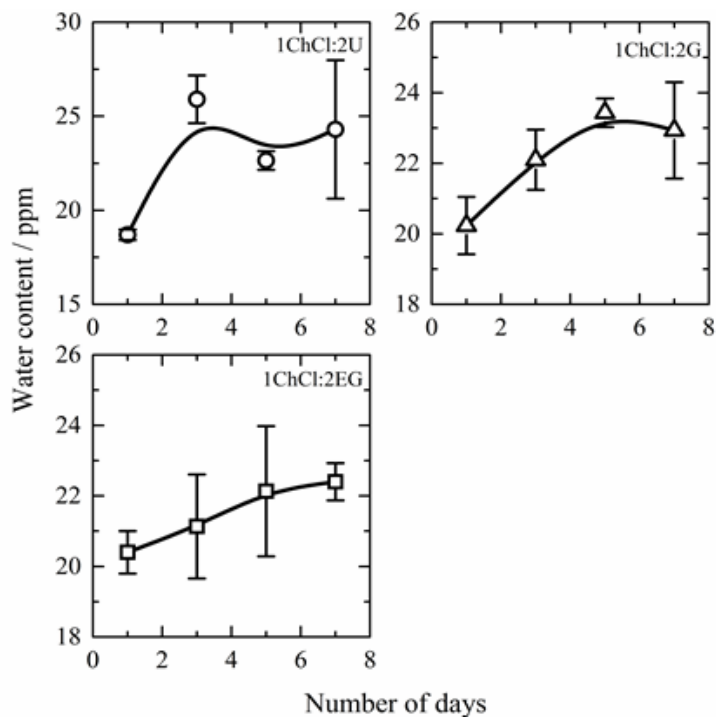


Fig. S1. The amount of water in DES in ppm as a function of the number of days under the ambient atmosphere. The results are an average of three measurements over a week.

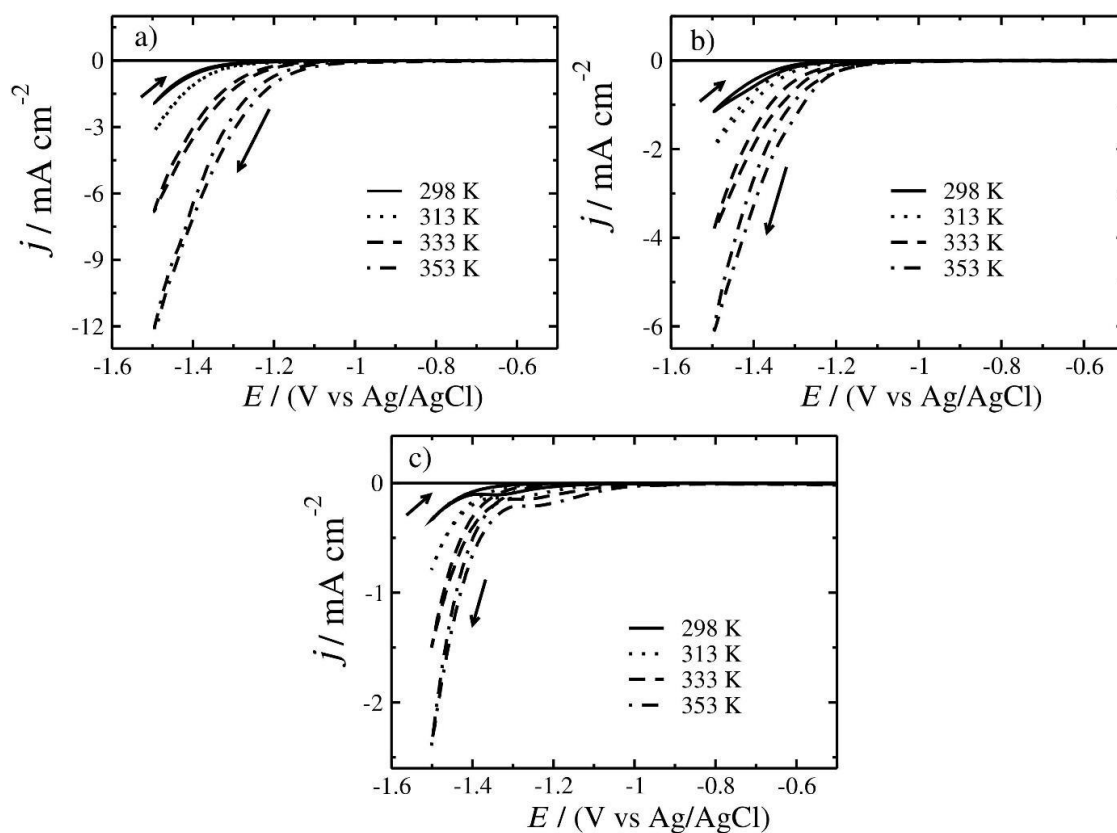


Fig S2. Cyclic voltammograms obtained for Cu electrode in (a) 1ChCl:2EG, (b) 1ChCl:2G, and (c) 1ChCl:2U blank electrolyte. Scan rate 10 mV s^{-1} .

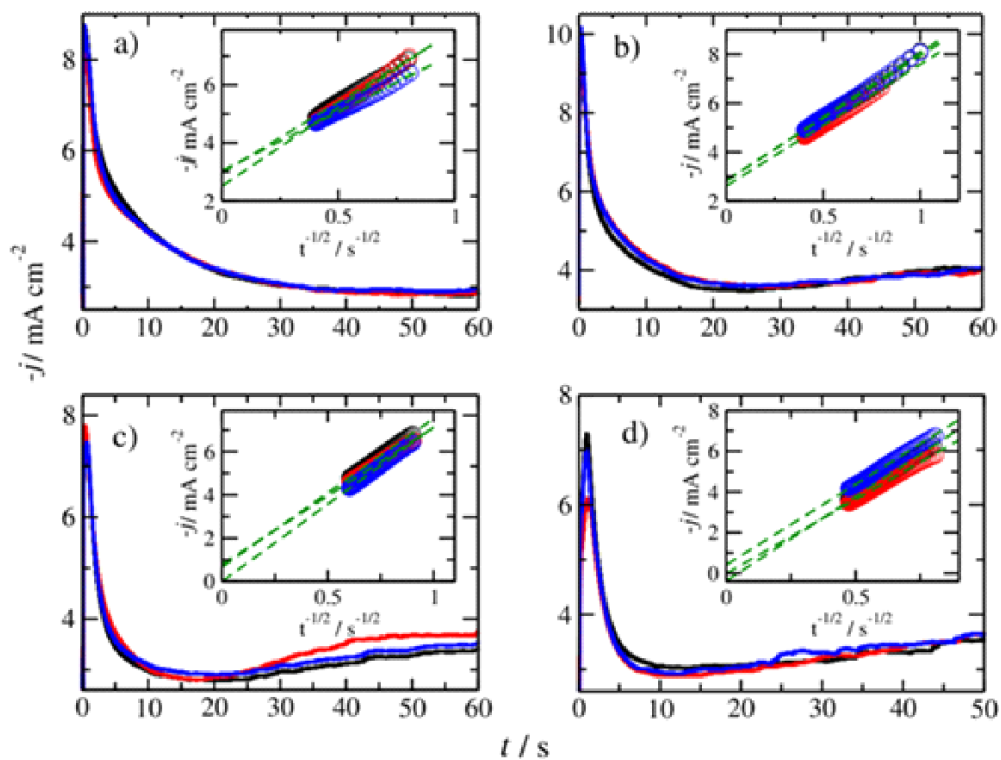


Fig S3. Current-time transients for the reduction of Co^{2+}/Co on Cu substrate obtained from DES 1ChCl:2EG (a) 298 K, (b) 313 K, (c) 333 K, and (d) 353 K containing $0.1 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$. Insets: Cottrell's plots are showed as insert.

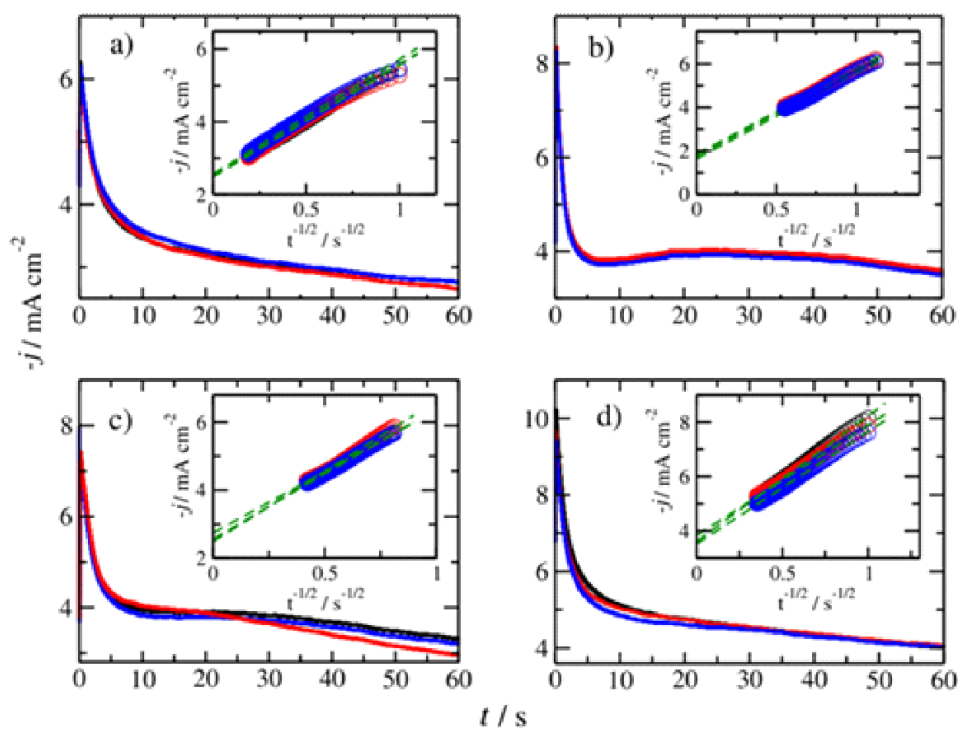


Fig. S4 Current-time transients for the reduction of Co^{2+}/Co on Cu substrate obtained from DES 1ChCl:2G (a) 298 K, (b) 313 K, (c) 333 K, and (d) 353 K containing $0.1 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$. Insets: Cottrell's plots are showed as insert.

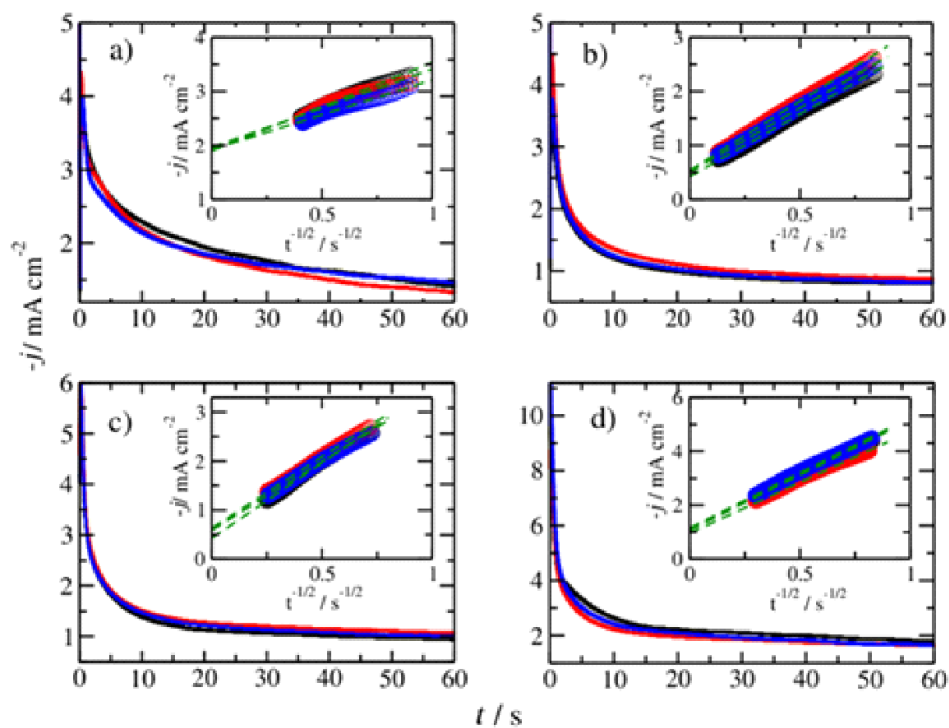


Fig. S5 Current-time transients for the reduction of Co^{2+}/Co on Cu substrate obtained from DES 1ChCl:2U (a) 298 K, (b) 313 K, (c) 333 K, and (d) 353 K containing $0.1 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$. Insets: Cottrell's plots are showed as insert.

3 CONCLUSIONS

For all three electrolytes, the increase in the diffusion coefficient and decrease in the viscosity with increasing temperature was clearly apparent. The relationship could be quantified via the Cottrell and Arrhenius equations. Calculated values of the activation energies showed that energy barriers for the diffusion of Co^{2+} ions followed the following sequence: $1\text{ChCl}:2\text{EG} < 1\text{ChCl}:2\text{U} < 1\text{ChCl}:2\text{G}$.

The simulations by molecular dynamics (MD) showed a strong interaction of anion chloride with Co^{2+} ions independent of temperature in the three systems analyzed. Besides, in the interval of temperature between 298 K and 353 K occurred the replaced of HBD molecules by anion chloride around Co^{2+} ions for SDW1 and SDW3 systems, while for SDW2 system this replaced occurred between 313 K and 353 K. The CN between Co^{2+} ions with water molecules did not showed changes significative with the increase temperature effect in the three systems analyzed. The simulations realized by QTAIM indicated that the Co-Cl interaction became stronger due to the increase of temperature in the three systems (SDW1, SDW2, and SDW3) analyzed. In contrast, the increase in temperature weakened the interaction between Co^{2+} ions with the oxygen of HBD molecules.

From a future perspective, we will analyze the behavior of Co^{2+} ions with the increase of percentage water in the three systems (SDW1, SDW2, and SDW3) studied, due that the RDF results in the three systems indicated a high probability of interaction between the Co^{2+} ions with oxygen water (Ow) molecules.

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Molecular approach about the effect of water on the electrochemical behaviour of Ag⁺ ions in urea-choline chloride-water mixture

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Abstract

The water influence on electrochemical behaviour of Ag⁺ ions in urea and choline chloride mixture was investigated by cyclic voltammetry technique, while the molecular insights about the investigated systems were obtained from molecular dynamic (MD) simulation. The water content was varied from 0 up to 10% (v/v). Cyclic voltammetry technique showed that the peak potential for Ag⁺/Ag redox couples shifted in direction to more positive potentials with the gradual increase of water content in solution, indicating that the addition of water electrocatalyses the kinetics of the reduction of Ag⁺ ions. The MD simulations demonstrated that water molecules do not interact strongly with Ag⁺ ions but induce a small reduction in the number of urea molecules around of the ion and that the water molecules adjust to free spaces in the mixture.

Keywords Deep eutectic solvents · Reline · Molecular dynamic · Cyclic voltammetry · Ag⁺ ions

Introduction

Silver electrodeposited coating has high corrosion resistance; it presents good electric conductivity and it is bright [1, 2]. These properties allow its use as cover coating in electronic devices to protect the metals against corrosion and, furthermore, it improves the final appearance of the industrial product. In electroplating industries, silver coating is traditionally obtained from aqueous plating solution containing cyanide as complexing agent, which is one of the top toxic chemicals. The necessity of this chemical, or other non-environmentally friendly chemicals, is the main disadvantage related to the silver industrial plating process since a non-environmental safety industrial wastewater need to be discharged [3].

Therefore, it is relevant to investigate alternative electroplating formulations that come to allow the silver

electrodeposition, and the electrodeposition of others noble metals, from plating solutions formulated with environmentally friendly chemicals. In this direction, it is increasing the use of the named deep eutectic solvents (DESs) to electrodeposit metal and alloys, since they have interesting chemical and physical properties, such as good ionic conductivity, high thermal stability, the metal salts are soluble in them, they are non-toxic and biodegradable, their production is of low cost and, finally, they present electrochemical stability in a large potential range [4–7]. These mixtures are prepared mixing a quaternary ammonium halide salt with a hydrogen-bond donor (HBD) molecule.

Due to the importance of this metal and the advantages offered by the eutectic solvents, the silver electrodeposition in DESs has been studied. Abbott et al. [8] described that the wear resistance of silver coatings can be achieved from the electrolytic deposition of silver from a solution of AgCl in an ethylene glycol/choline chloride mixture. The electrodeposition of silver in a eutectic mixture of 1 choline chloride:2 urea

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Abstract:	Deep eutectic solvents (DESS) have many advantages, making them a promising alternative in replacing ionic liquids and organic solvents. Besides, DESSs has received much prominence due to its diverse applications: Electrodeposition of metals, organic synthesis, gas adsorption, and biodiesel production. Therefore, this work analyzed the effect of the temperature increase (298 K to 353 K) on the behavior of the Co ²⁺ ions in three eutectic solvents through electrochemical techniques and computational simulations. From the electrochemical analysis carried out, the increase in temperature caused a reduction in specific mass and an increase in the diffusion coefficient. Besides, the activation energy values were of 15.3, 29.9, and 55.2 kJ mol ⁻¹ for 1ChCl:2EG, 1ChCl:2U, and 1ChCl:2G, respectively. The computational simulations indicate that the increased temperature effect caused the replacement of HBD molecules by anions chloride around Co ²⁺ ions for the SDW1 and SDW3 systems between the temperatures of 298 K to 353 K, except for the SDW2 system that the replaced occurred in the interval of 313 K to 353 K. Besides, the increase of temperature occasioned the increase of strength for Co-Cl interaction and weakened the interactions between the Co ²⁺ ions with the oxygen of HBD molecules.



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Abstract:	In an attempt to replace conventional organic solvents and ionic liquids, the Deep Eutectic Solvents (DES) emerged, the class of compounds with essential properties in the industry. These solvents have numerous advantages regarding ionic liquids, such as low price, biodegradability, and low toxicity. Furthermore, the DES has many applications in science, for example, organic synthesis, electrodeposition of metals, catalytic process. In this work, Sn ²⁺ and In ³⁺ ions behavior was analyzed in the solvents 1ChCl:2EG (chloride choline and ethylene glycol, DES) and water through computational simulations by molecular dynamics (MD) and quantum calculations of QTAIM. The results showed that the Sn ²⁺ and In ³⁺ ions strongly interact with the chloride anion in DES. In contrast, the most likely interaction is between cations and oxygen from water in a water solvent. The analysis of critical binding points (BCPs) showed that the strength of these interactions follows the following sequence: Sn-Ow > Sn-Cl and In-Ow > In-Cl. The behavior of both ions in the metallic mixture was invariant in DES when compared to the same isolated ions. However, for the aqueous system,

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