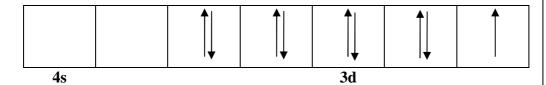
• Compounds of d-block elements are frequently paramagnetic. Using the box notation to represent atomic orbitals, account for this property in compounds of  $Cu^{2+}$ .

As Cu is in group 11, it has 11 valence electrons.  $Cu^{2+}$  therefore has (11-2)=9. These occupy the five 3d orbitals:



There is an unpaired electron and so Cu<sup>2+</sup> is paramagnetic.

• Complete the following table.

Formula	Oxidation state of transition metal	Coordination number of transition metal	Number of d- electrons in the transition metal	Species formed upon dissolving in water
Na <sub>2</sub> [CoCl <sub>4</sub> ]	+2	4	7	Na <sup>+</sup> , [CoCl <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>2-</sup>
[Ni(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O)]SO <sub>4</sub>	+2	6	8	$[Ni(NH_3)_5(H_2O)]^{2+},$ $SO_4^{2-}$
[Cr(en) <sub>3</sub> ]Br <sub>3</sub>	+3	6	3	[Cr(en) <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>3+</sup> , Br

 $en = ethylenediamine = NH_2CH_2CH_2NH_2$ 

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