

The Crystal Structures of the Isostructural Compounds Hydrazinium Fluoroborate and Hydrazinium Perchlorate*

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Crystals of hydrazinium perchlorate (HPC) and hydrazinium fluoroborate (HFB) are isostructural. They are monoclinic, space group $C2/c$, with 8 formula units per cell. The unit-cell dimensions for HPC are: $a=14.412 \pm 7$, $b=5.389 \pm 5$, $c=12.797 \pm 3$ Å, $\beta=113.09 \pm 0.05^\circ$; and for HFB are: $a=14.006 \pm 8$, $b=5.316 \pm 4$, $c=12.387 \pm 5$ Å, $\beta=112.87 \pm 0.05^\circ$. Three-dimensional intensity measurements were made with a single-crystal orienter and Mo $K\alpha$ radiation by the stationary-crystal, stationary-counter technique with balanced Zr-Y filters. The HFB structure was solved by the symbolic addition method followed by a full-matrix least-squares refinement. The final HFB positions were used as input parameters for the HPC structure and were refined by least-squares. The R index for HPC is 0.057 for 649 observed reflections, and for HFB is 0.091 for 233 observed reflections. In the perchlorate tetrahedra the Cl-O distances range from 1.414 to 1.435 Å and the O-Cl-O angles vary from 106.0 to 111.9° . In the fluoroborate tetrahedra the B-F distances range from 1.339 to 1.379 Å and the F-B-F angles vary from 106.5 to 111.9° . The hydrogen atoms were not clearly resolved in difference Fourier syntheses of either structure, but reasonable positions were obtained by a least-squares procedure which constrained the geometry of the hydrazinium ion.

Introduction

The structure determination of hydrazinium perchlorate (HPC) was begun some years ago at the Aerojet-General Corporation as part of a study of compounds of interest in the missile propellant industry. The purpose of determining the structures of HPC and hydrazinium perchlorate hemihydrate (HPCHH) (Conant, Corrigan & Hoogsteen, 1963; Liminga, 1967), was to provide insight into the dehydration of HPCHH and its transformation to HPC, and to investigate the hydrogen bonding system. Other investigations (Carelton & Lewis, 1966) have suggested that the dehydration reaction occurs in two steps: dissolution followed by recrystallization. But when a single crystal of HPCHH was viewed microscopically on a hot-stage, the crystal was observed to crumble into tiny HPC single crystals as the water molecules diffused out of their columns in the crystal of HPCHH.

Experimental

HFB crystals were produced by neutralizing a solution of fluoroboric acid with aqueous hydrazine. The compound was recrystallized from 2-propanol, and needles elongated along **b** and having cleavage normal to **b** were obtained. All HFB data were taken on a crystal cut to a cube about 0.1 mm on an edge.

HPC crystals were produced by neutralization of aqueous solutions of hydrazine and perchloric acid

and recrystallization from ethanol. The crystals convert to hydrazine perchlorate hemihydrate (HPCHH) in relative humidities above 20 per cent at room temperature so they must be handled in a dry atmosphere. All HPC data were taken on a crystal $0.2 \times 0.2 \times 0.3$ mm in size sealed in a thin-walled glass capillary.

The lattice constants were obtained by least-squares analysis of 21 reflections for HFB and 25 reflections for HPC measured with Mo $K\alpha_1$ ($\lambda=0.70926$ Å) radiation. A single-crystal orienter was used on a General Electric Co. XRD-5 spectrogoniometer. The values found are, for HFB: $a=14.006 \pm 8$, $b=5.316 \pm 4$, $c=12.387 \pm 5$ Å, $\beta=112.87 \pm 0.05^\circ$; and for HPC: $a=14.412 \pm 7$, $b=5.389 \pm 5$, $c=12.797 \pm 3$ Å, $\beta=113.09 \pm 0.05^\circ$. The calculated densities with $Z=8$ are 1.859 for HFB and 1.910 g.cm⁻³ for HPC. Systematic extinctions hkl with $h+k=2n+1$ and $h0l$ with $l=2n+1$ indicate space group ($C2/c$ or Cc). As shown below, the structure can be described satisfactorily in space group $C2/c$. Intensity measurements were made with the single-crystal orienter and Mo $K\alpha$ radiation by the stationary-crystal, stationary-counter technique with balanced Zr-Y filters. Absorption corrections were made by comparing intensities of the reflections from planes normal to the rotation axis at $\chi=90^\circ$ as functions of 2θ and φ . A 2θ -dependent background was estimated by an off-spot balanced filter count. The HFB crystal was mounted on the [100] reciprocal axis and the hemisphere of reflections with $2\theta \leq 40^\circ$ was measured, yielding 392 independent reflections. The HPC crystal was mounted on the [010] reciprocal axis and the hemisphere of reflections with $2\theta \leq 50^\circ$ was measured, yielding 802 independent reflections. In general, $F(hkl)$ was measured twice on each structure. According to the criterion (I -background) ≥ 3.0

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$(I + \text{background})^{1/2}$, 233 reflections for HFB and 649 reflections for HPC were observed to be greater than zero. The quantity $R_F = \sum 2(|F_1| - |F_2|) / \sum (F_1 + F_2)$, an estimate of the average agreement between equivalent reflections F_1 and F_2 is 0.038 for HFB and 0.023 for HPC.

Determination and refinement of the structure

Attempts to solve the HFB structure, based on the two-dimensional model of Conant, Corrigan & Sparks (1964), did not succeed. It was later discovered that the two-dimensional projection must be shifted by $0, 0, -\frac{1}{4}$ to conform with the three-dimensional solution.

Normalized HFB structure factors, E , were calculated and sorted into classes through use of codes furnished by Stewart (1964). The statistical averages and the distributions of the reflections indicated that the structure contains a center of symmetry, hence space group $C2/c$ was selected. A code originally written by Bednowitz (1965) and modified by Cady (1967) was used to determine the signs of 48 reflections in terms of the symbols $+$, $-$, A , B , C . Since A , B , C may have $+$ or $-$ values, eight E maps are possible. Only one of these ($A = +$, $B = -$, $C = -$) made any sense with regard to the expected tetrahedral arrangement of F atoms surrounding a B atom. (Later structure factor calculations revealed that the signs of the 48 E values determined by the symbolic addition procedure were all correct.) Atomic positions from this map were subjected to full-matrix least-squares refinement using

anisotropic temperature parameters. The quantity minimized was $\sum (|F_o| - |F_c^*|)^2$ where

$$F_c^* = K |F_c| \left\{ 1 + g \left[\frac{2(1 + \cos^4 2\theta)}{(1 + \cos^2 2\theta)^2} \right] L_p \cdot F_c^2 \right\}^{-1/2},$$

K is a scale factor, F_c is the usual calculated structure factor, g is an extinction parameter (Zachariasen, 1963; Larson, 1967), and L_p is the Lorentz and polarization factor. Scattering factors for H atoms were taken from Stewart, Davidson & Simpson (1965) and for all other atoms from Cromer & Mann (1968). Unit weights were used on the refinement as they resulted in the lowest R values and the narrowest spread of chemically equivalent interatomic distances. The refined parameters for HFB were used as starting parameters for full-matrix least-squares refinement of the HPC structure. After several cycles of refinement, with unobserved reflections omitted, $R = \sum |AF| / \sum |F_o|$, was 0.106 for HFB and 0.076 for HPC.

While the structure must be extensively hydrogen-bonded, the current data are not sufficiently precise for the hydrogen atoms to be clearly resolved in the difference electron-density maps of either structure. The Los Alamos least-squares program has recently been modified to include constraints on interatomic distances (Larson, 1969), using the procedure suggested by Waser (1963). The hydrogen atoms were located by utilizing additional observational equations of the type

$$D_{ij} - d_{ij} = \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial x_i} \Delta x_i + \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial x_j} \Delta x_j$$

Table 1. *Final least-squares parameters*

(a) Hydrazinium perchlorate

	x	y	z	$\beta_{11} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{22} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{33} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{12} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{13} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{23} \times 10^4$
Cl	0.1067 ± 1	0.0772 ± 4	0.4231 ± 2	33 ± 1	210 ± 7	39 ± 2	-17 ± 5	18 ± 2	-5 ± 6
O(1)	0.1515 ± 6	0.0678 ± 14	0.3415 ± 6	100 ± 6	408 ± 31	102 ± 7	-64 ± 25	155 ± 11	-106 ± 26
O(2)	0.1783 ± 6	0.0348 ± 17	0.5347 ± 6	86 ± 6	660 ± 46	69 ± 6	-103 ± 28	-54 ± 10	230 ± 28
O(3)	0.0663 ± 7	0.3211 ± 15	0.4218 ± 8	97 ± 6	357 ± 32	151 ± 10	175 ± 25	149 ± 13	68 ± 28
O(4)	0.0293 ± 6	-0.1031 ± 18	0.3987 ± 7	81 ± 3	702 ± 47	107 ± 8	-337 ± 30	90 ± 11	-209 ± 33
N(1)	0.1556 ± 5	0.3982 ± 13	0.1522 ± 6	37 ± 4	247 ± 27	52 ± 5	-2 ± 18	28 ± 8	-5 ± 21
N(2)	0.1599 ± 5	0.5904 ± 13	0.2344 ± 5	49 ± 4	199 ± 25	48 ± 5	28 ± 20	22 ± 7	8 ± 21
H(1)	0.0909 ± 26	0.3042 ± 110	0.1313 ± 46	$B = 4.0 \text{ \AA}^2$					
H(2)	0.1574 ± 44	0.4772 ± 32	0.0820 ± 20						
H(3)	0.2137 ± 32	0.2807 ± 100	0.1844 ± 47						
H(4)	0.0995 ± 29	0.7012 ± 77	0.2020 ± 24						
H(5)	0.1607 ± 52	0.5119 ± 31	0.3058 ± 22						

$$g = 3.02 \pm 21 \times 10^{-6}$$

(b) Hydrazinium fluoroborate

	x	y	z	$\beta_{11} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{22} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{33} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{12} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{13} \times 10^4$	$\beta_{23} \times 10^4$
B	0.1072 ± 24	0.0721 ± 58	0.4240 ± 23	62 ± 21	392 ± 159	46 ± 29	-6 ± 109	80 ± 48	10 ± 111
F(1)	0.1465 ± 11	0.0763 ± 24	0.337 ± 12	139 ± 17	406 ± 66	127 ± 17	-83 ± 55	204 ± 28	-67 ± 60
F(2)	0.1864 ± 12	0.0246 ± 32	0.5237 ± 12	111 ± 13	840 ± 104	102 ± 15	-101 ± 58	-36 ± 25	306 ± 68
F(3)	0.0654 ± 13	0.3029 ± 27	0.4246 ± 13	167 ± 18	397 ± 71	130 ± 18	224 ± 60	169 ± 27	5 ± 57
F(4)	0.0346 ± 12	-0.1075 ± 31	0.3997 ± 11	132 ± 16	814 ± 96	92 ± 15	-466 ± 70	139 ± 26	-195 ± 64
N(1)	0.1554 ± 13	0.3915 ± 30	0.1518 ± 13	69 ± 15	239 ± 73	31 ± 15	35 ± 58	45 ± 24	12 ± 65
N(2)	0.1581 ± 12	0.5901 ± 34	0.2302 ± 12	89 ± 17	277 ± 82	17 ± 15	95 ± 62	78 ± 25	62 ± 64
H(1)	0.0861 ± 47	0.3063 ± 231	0.1256 ± 94	$B = 4.0 \text{ \AA}^2$					
H(2)	0.1676 ± 91	0.4517 ± 53	0.0814 ± 45						
H(3)	0.2115 ± 68	0.2703 ± 202	0.1975 ± 86						
H(4)	0.1056 ± 72	0.7242 ± 121	0.1919 ± 35						
H(5)	0.1495 ± 101	0.5289 ± 52	0.3022 ± 54						

a bi-tetrahedron with the two nitrogen atoms acting as centers of regular tetrahedra which are joined together at a corner. The six remaining corners are occupied by five hydrogen atoms and a lone pair of electrons. Interatomic distances and bond angles for the two structures are listed in Table 3. The N(1)–N(2) distances in the structures are in good agreement with the value of 1.447 ± 0.009 Å found in hydrazinium monohydrate (Liminga & Olovsson, 1964) and with 1.436 ± 0.009 Å found in hydrazinium hydrazinedithiocarboxylate (Braibanti, Lanfredi & Tiripicchio, 1964). Reasonable H bond distances between H atoms and atoms in the anions were found.

Table 3. Interatomic distances and bond angles in hydrazinium perchlorate and hydrazinium fluoroborate

Bonds	HPC	HFB
	X = Cl, Y = O	X = B, Y = F
N(1)–N(2)	1.461 ± 0.009 Å	1.425 ± 0.019
X—Y(1)	1.428 ± 0.006	1.379 ± 0.026
—Y(2)	1.415 ± 0.007	1.325 ± 0.029
—Y(3)	1.435 ± 0.007	1.360 ± 0.031
—Y(4)	1.418 ± 0.007	1.339 ± 0.030
Y(1)–Y(2)	2.355 ± 0.011	2.166 ± 0.020
—Y(3)	2.328 ± 0.010	2.201 ± 0.019
—Y(4)	2.345 ± 0.010	2.221 ± 0.018
Y(2)–Y(3)	2.289 ± 0.012	2.225 ± 0.021
—Y(4)	2.294 ± 0.011	2.199 ± 0.019
Y(3)–Y(4)	2.339 ± 0.012	2.221 ± 0.020
H(1)–Y(3)	2.096 ± 0.038	1.965 ± 0.060
H(2)–Y(3)	2.235 ± 0.035	2.316 ± 0.075
H(3)–N(2)	1.991 ± 0.015	1.945 ± 0.035
H(4)–Y(4)	2.084 ± 0.013	2.052 ± 0.048
H(5)–	Not involved in hydrogen bonding	

Angles		
Y(1)–X—Y(2)	111.87 ± 0.01	106.46 ± 0.09
—Y(3)	108.79 ± 0.01	106.94 ± 0.08
—Y(4)	110.96 ± 0.01	109.50 ± 0.08
Y(2)–X—Y(3)	106.90 ± 0.01	111.87 ± 0.09
—Y(4)	108.10 ± 0.01	111.16 ± 0.08
Y(3)–X—Y(4)	110.14 ± 0.01	110.70 ± 0.09

Table 3 (cont.)

Angles		
N(1)–H(1)–Y(3)	147.13 ± 0.28	153.63 ± 1.02
N(1)–H(2)–Y(3)	144.61 ± 0.20	130.48 ± 0.86
N(1)–H(3)–N(2)	170.87 ± 0.10	164.81 ± 0.46
N(2)–H(4)–Y(4)	167.57 ± 0.01	160.22 ± 0.51
N(2)–H(5)–	Not involved in hydrogen bonding	

The structure may be described as a spiral column of hydrazinium ions surrounded by six columns of anion tetrahedra. The axes of the columns are parallel to the *b* axis. Of the five hydrogen atoms associated with the hydrazinium ion, one [H(3)] is utilized to bond the hydrazinium ions together in a spiral chain, three [H(1), H(2), H(4)] are engaged in bonding the anion tetrahedra to the hydrazinium spiral chain, and one [H(5)] does not appear to be involved in bonding. Fig. 1 shows the structure of the hydrazinium perchlorate in stereo.

While the HPC structure may be derived from HPCHH, the mechanism of the transformation is not clear at this time. Although both structures have the same space group, *C2/c*, the lattice constants *a* and *b* of the two structures are radically different and a simple transformation involving small translations or rotations is not readily visualized.

Final calculations were performed on a CDC-6600 computer with programs written by Larson, Roof & Cromer (1963, 1964, 1965). The authors are indebted to A. C. Larson for suggesting the constraint approach for determining hydrogen atom position and for modifying computer codes to accomplish this type of least-squares refinement.

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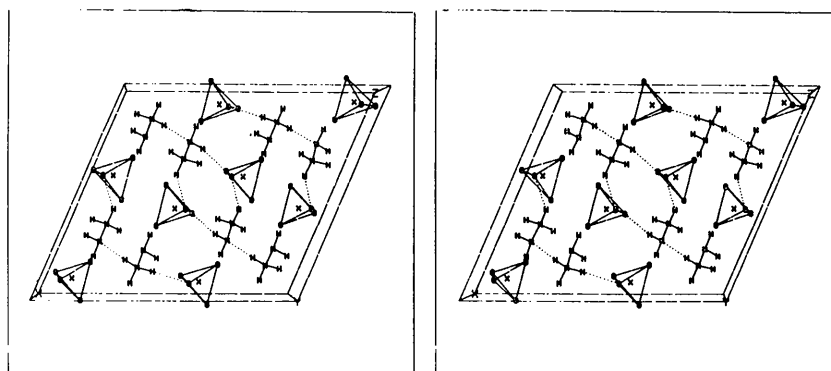


Fig. 1. A stereo view of the structure of HPC. The origin of the cell is at the lower rear right and the view is parallel to the *b* axis. The dotted lines represent the proposed hydrogen bond contacts. The symbol \times represents the chlorine atom; other atoms are represented by their chemical symbols.

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The Crystal Structure of 4*H*-Cyclopenta[2,1-*b*:3,4-*b'*]dithiophene at -160°C

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The crystal structure of 4*H*-cyclopenta[2,1-*b*:3,4-*b'*]dithiophene, $\text{C}_9\text{H}_6\text{S}_2$, has been determined from three-dimensional diffractometer data taken at -160°C to detect possible hyperconjugation effects. The crystals are monoclinic, space group $P2_1/c$, $a = 12.500$, $b = 11.154$, $c = 11.284$ Å, $\beta = 98.00^{\circ}$, $Z = 8$. The positional and anisotropic thermal parameters were refined by the method of least squares, $R = 0.032$ for 8146 reflexions. The observed bond lengths do not indicate the presence of hyperconjugation effects. The molecule is approximately planar, the largest deviation from the least-squares plane being 0.035 Å for C and S. There is much strain in the molecule; the angles S-C-C and C-C-C range from 102 to 139°. As to the values of the bond lengths and angles the molecule has the symmetry *mm*. Estimated standard deviations are 0.002 Å for C-C and C-S, 0.02 Å for C-H and 0.1° for C-S-C, C-C-C and C-C-S.

Introduction

The synthesis of the six isomeric cyclopentadithiophenes, $\text{C}_9\text{H}_6\text{S}_2$ (Wynberg & Kraak, 1964) has encouraged studies of the properties of these thiophene analogues of fluorene. Charge transfer properties (Kraak & Wynberg, 1968), spectra of ions (Janssen & de Jong, 1967) and aromatic character (Kraak, Wiersema, Jordens & Wynberg, 1968) have been or are being studied in the Laboratory of Organic Chemistry of this University. Preliminary results of these studies indicate interesting differences between the properties of the isomeric cyclopentadithiophenes and the corresponding dithienyls. For instance, the ultraviolet absorption bands of the cyclopentadithiophenes in solution generally lie at longer wavelengths than those of the corresponding dithienyls. A suitable explanation for the observed shifts could not be given by qualitative discussion of the following effects: (a) The increase in coplanarity of the thiophene rings because of the presence of the CH_2 bridge (see Fig. 1), (b) possible hyperconjugation *via* the CH_2 group, or (c) the strain in the molecule. We thought it, therefore, worth while to do an accurate determination of the bond lengths and angles for one of the isomers $\text{C}_9\text{H}_6\text{S}_2$ by means of X-ray diffraction at

low temperature (-160°C). The isomer chosen is 4*H*-cyclopenta[2,1-*b*:3,4-*b'*]dithiophene (I). For this compound the U.V. shifts are +0 and +10 for the 2,2'-di-

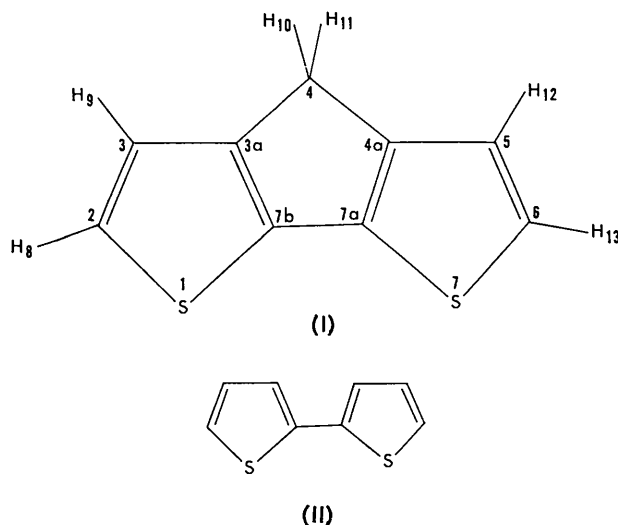


Fig. 1. 4*H*-Cyclopenta[2,1-*b*:3,4-*b'*]dithiophene (I) and the corresponding 2,2'-dithienyl (II).