

Fig. 2. A stereo packing diagram of the ordered, (I), and disordered structures, (II).

[O(1) 2.330 (4); O(2) 2.351 (4) Å] than in the disordered form [O(1) = O(2) = 2.269 (3) Å]. The differences in the dimensions of the two cations may be related to the difference in hydrogen-bonding patterns in the two crystals (Table 3, Fig. 2). In the ordered structure, (I), on semicarbazone chain forms only one hydrogen bond while the other chain is involved in four hydrogen bonds. However, in (II), both semicarbazone chains form two hydrogen bonds involving the disordered chloride ion and water molecule. In both (I)

and (II) all the H atoms on the water molecules form hydrogen bonds but the hydrogen bonds to the water molecules are different. The differences in the packing in the two cases lead to a slightly higher density for the ordered structure compared to the disordered one. The formation of the disordered form (II) occurs at room temperature while the ordered form (I) comes from the heated solutions. Consequently, the rate of conversion of (II) to (I) is slow. Redissolving (II) will produce (I) but other reactions occur so that the result is a mixture of products. We are currently investigating these reactions.

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# Complexes of Cadmium(II) Bromide and Cadmium(II) Iodide with 18-Crown-6 Ether\*

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Abstract. [Cd(C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>6</sub>)Br<sub>2</sub>],  $M_r = 536.5$ , rhombohedral,  $R\bar{3}$ , a = 11.8127 (13), c = 11.9464 (15) Å (hexagonal setting), V = 1443.7 (4) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 3,  $D_x =$ 1.851 (1) Mg m<sup>-3</sup>, Mo Ka,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å,  $\mu =$ 5.261 (1) mm<sup>-1</sup>, F(000) = 786, T = 293 K, R = 0.028, wR = 0.031 for 528 reflexions [ $I > 3\sigma(I)$ ] and 50

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variables.  $[Cd(C_{12}H_{24}O_6)I_2], M_r = 630.5, \text{ ortho-}$ rhombic, Pnma, a = 16.563 (3), b = 27.996 (5), c =8.382 (2) Å,  $V = 3887 (1) \text{ Å}^3$ , Z = 8, $D_r =$ 2.155 (1) Mg m<sup>-3</sup>, Μο Κα,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ A},$  $\mu =$ 4.283 (2) mm<sup>-1</sup>, F(000) = 2384, T = 294 K, R =0.037, wR = 0.039 for 1287 reflexions  $[I > 3\sigma(I)]$  and 201 variables. The CdBr<sub>2</sub> complex is isostructural with the corresponding CdCl, and HgCl, compounds [Paige & Richardson (1984). Can. J. Chem. 62, 332-335],

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<sup>\* 1,4,7,10,13,16-</sup>Hexaoxacyclooctadecane.

whereas the CdI<sub>2</sub> complex has two crystallographically independent molecules, one on a symmetry centre and one on a mirror plane. The Cd atom can be regarded as eight-coordinated with the complex having hexagonal bipyramidal geometry, rather than as two-coordinated with the linear  $CdX_2$ , groups 'threaded' through the 18-crown-6 cavity since the Cd-X distances are ca 0.1 Å longer than in the free CdX, molecules, indicating bonding between Cd and the equatorial O atoms. The bromide has Cd-Br = 2.506(1) and Cd-O =2.752 (3) Å, in the iodide the mean Cd–I distance is 2.692(1) Å, Cd–O distances range from 2.69(1) to 2.81 (2) Å with a mean of 2.768 (4) Å. The geometries of the Cd and Hg compounds are discussed in relation to softness parameters and bond distances are predicted for the Zn complexes.

Introduction. Complexes of macrocyclic ligands with metals have been studied extensively as models for more complicated biological systems. In particular, cadmium compounds have been studied since cadmium readily replaces zinc in metalloenzymes which can then be studied by <sup>113</sup>Cd NMR spectroscopy. Crown ethers have also been considered (Cram & Cram, 1978) as models for studying the transport of metal ions across membranes. The structures of the 18C6 complexes (18C6 = 18-crown-6 ether) of CdBr, and of CdI, have been determined in connection with solid-state <sup>113</sup>Cd CP/MAS (cross-polarization magicangle spinning) NMR studies (Jakobsen, Jacobsen, Bildsøe & Ellis, 1987) of the cadmium halide complexes. Of particular interest here is the question as to whether the additional splittings observed for the spinning sidebands in the <sup>113</sup>Cd CP/MAS spectrum of the CdBr<sub>2</sub> complex should be attributed to there being non-equivalent Cd atoms or to the effect of the <sup>113</sup>Cd-<sup>79/81</sup>Br dipolar couplings. This question is independently being pursued by <sup>113</sup>Cd CP/MAS NMR studies of the complex at different magnetic-field strengths.

Experimental. 18C6 CdBr<sub>2</sub> was recrystallized from acetonitrile. A crystal was mounted on a Huber 4-circle diffractometer. The cell dimensions were determined from the setting angles of 55 reflexions with 18.3 < $2\theta < 31.0^{\circ}$ . Intensities were measured out to  $2\theta_{max}$ = 60° using an  $\omega$ -2 $\theta$  scan with Nb-filtered Mo K $\alpha$ radiation, the scan width was  $(1\cdot 2 + 0\cdot 692\tan\theta)^{\circ}$ which was divided into 50 steps, the counting time was 2 s step<sup>-1</sup>. Reflexions with  $-16 \le h \le 16$ ,  $-16 \le k \le$ 16,  $-16 \le l \le 0$  were measured giving 976 independent reflexions,  $R_{int} = 0.073$ , of which 528 had  $I > 3\sigma(I)$ . Reflexions  $04\overline{4}$  and 404 were monitored every 50 reflexions, the overall fall off in intensity was negligible. Reflexions were integrated using the Nelmes (1975) method; the data were corrected for absorption (crystal  $0.15 \times 0.15 \times 0.18$  mm), transmission factors

ranging from 0.43 to 0.74. The structure was determined from a Patterson function. H-atom positions were calculated assuming C-H = 0.95 Å and were refined together with isotropic temperature factors. All non-H atoms were refined anisotropically. An isotropic extinction factor was refined giving g = 5.5 (4) × 10<sup>-4</sup>, which corresponds to a minimum value of  $I/I_{corr}$ of 0.63.  $w = 1/\sigma(F)$ , where  $\sigma(F) = \{|\sigma_c(F^2) + 1.03F^2\}\}^{1/2} - |F|$ , where  $\sigma_c(F^2)$  is the standard deviation of  $F^2$ . The final  $R^*$  (on F) = 0.028, wR = 0.031, S = 1.047,  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.34$ ,  $\Delta \rho = -0.19$  (3) to 0.15 (3) e Å<sup>-3</sup>.

18C6 CdI, was recrystallized from water. A crystal was mounted on a Huber 4-circle diffractometer. The cell dimensions were determined from the setting angles of 50 reflexions with  $16.8 < 2\theta < 21.9^{\circ}$ . Intensities were measured out to  $2\theta_{max} = 45^{\circ}$  using an  $\omega - 2\theta$  scan with Nb-filtered Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation, the scan width was  $(2 + 0.692 \tan \theta)^{\circ}$  which was divided into 50 steps, the counting time was 2 s step<sup>-1</sup>. Reflexions with  $0 \leq$  $h \le 17, \ 0 \le k \le 30, \ 0 \le l \le 9$  were measured giving 2583 reflexions of which 1287 had  $I > 3\sigma(I)$ . Reflexions 0,12,0 and 602 were monitored every 50 reflexions, the overall fall off in intensity was 2.6%. Reflexions were integrated using the Nelmes (1975) method: the data were corrected for absorption (crystal  $0.35 \times 0.14 \times 0.08$  mm), transmission factors ranging from 0.53 to 0.71. The positions of the heavy atoms were determined with MULTAN80 (Main et al., 1980) and subsequent Fourier syntheses; H-atom positions were calculated assuming C-H = 0.95 Å and were not refined. H atoms were refined with a common isotropic temperature factor. All non-H atoms were refined anisotropically. An isotropic extinction factor was refined giving g = 0.18 (3) × 10<sup>-4</sup>, which corresponds to a minimum value of  $I/I_{corr}$  of 0.83.  $w = 1/\sigma(F)$ , where  $\sigma(F) = \{[\sigma_c(F^2) + 1.03F^2]\}^{1/2} - |F|$ , where  $\sigma_c(F^2)$  is the standard deviation of  $F^2$ . The final  $R^*$  (on  $F = 0.037, \ wR = 0.039, \ S = 0.984, \ (\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.09,$  $\Delta \rho = -0.9$  (2) to 0.9 (2) e Å<sup>-3</sup>. Fractional coordinates are listed in Tables 1 and 2, bond distances and angles are shown on Fig. 1 or listed in Table 3 which also includes torsion angles. Computations were carried out on a VAX 11/780 with the following programs: INTEG - integration; DATAP and DSORTH (State University of New York, Buffalo) – absorption correction and sorting; modified ORFLS (Busing, Martin & Levy, 1962) – least-squares refinement; ORFFE (Busing & Levy, 1964) - geometry and errors; ORTEP (Johnson, 1965) - drawings. Scattering curves: Cromer & Mann (1968) for Cd, I, Br, N and C; Stewart,

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Davidson & Simpson (1965) for H; anomalous-dispersion corrections for Cd, Br and I from Cromer & Liberman (1970).

**Discussion.** 18C6 CdBr<sub>2</sub> (Fig. 2) is isostructural with the corresponding CdCl<sub>2</sub> and HgCl<sub>2</sub> compounds (Paige & Richardson; 1984), Cd-Br is 2.506 (1), Cd-O 2.752 (3), C-C is 1.490 (8), the mean C-O distance is 1.417 (4), C-H ranges from 0.95 (5) to 1.07 (6) Å. The O atoms are  $\pm 0.150$  (3) Å out of the equatorial plane. In 18C6 CdI<sub>2</sub> there are two crystallographically independent molecules, one is on a symmetry centre, the other on a mirror plane with Cd, two I and two O

Table 1. 18C6 CdBr<sub>2</sub>; fractional atomic coordinates  $(\times 10^5 \text{ for Cd} \text{ and Br}, \times 10^4 \text{ for O} \text{ and C}, \times 10^3 \text{ for H})$ , equivalent isotropic temperature parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>×10<sup>-4</sup> for Cd, Å<sup>2</sup> × 10<sup>-3</sup> for O, C and H) and displacements D (Å×10<sup>-3</sup>) from the best planes through the O atoms together with the e.s.d.'s of the atoms

x	у	z	$U_{eq}^{*}$	D
0	0	0	586 (4)	0
0	0	20975 (6)	608 (4)	2506 (1)
2485 (3)	2125 (3)	126 (2)	63 (2)	150 (2)
2627 (5)	3359 (5)	147 (5)	72 (3)	176 (6)
1532 (6)	3456 (5)	373 (5)	72 (3)	446 (6)
256 (4)	349 (5)	-93 (4)	68 (14)	-1107 (49)
359 (6)	418 (7)	11 (5)	119 (21)	129 (55)
165 (6)	431 (6)	21 (4)	87 (16)	247 (50)
147 (5)	326 (5)	125 (4)	79 (16)	1496 (53)
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$$U_{eq} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* a_{i'} a_{j'}.$$

Table 2. 18C6 CdI<sub>2</sub>; fractional atomic coordinates  $(\times 10^5 \text{ for Cd and I}, \times 10^4 \text{ for O and C})$ , equivalent isotropic temperature parameters  $(Å^2 \times 10^{-4})$  and displacements D  $(Å \times 10^{-3})$  from the best planes through the O atoms together with the e.s.d.'s of the atoms

	x	у	z	$U_{eq}^*$	D
Cd(1)	0	50000	0	38 (1)	0
I(1)	-14510 (6)	48125 (4)	13080 (13)	39 (1)	-2693 (1)
O(1)	548 (6)	4079 (4)	485 (14)	60 (8)	158 (11)
O(2)	675 (6)	4761 (4)	2899 (12)	39 (6)	-158 (10)
O(3)	379 (6)	5715 (3)	2168 (12)	54 (7)	158 (10)
C(1)	642 (10)	3956 (6)	2121 (23)	74 (13)	-346 (17)
C(2)	1148 (10)	4335 (6)	2894 (20)	59 (11)	319 (16)
C(3)	1077 (9)	5146 (6)	3674 (21)	37 (9)	356 (16)
C(4)	506 (9)	5555 (6)	3734 (20)	50 (10)	-292 (16)
C(5)	-101 (10)	6135 (6)	2049 (21)	48 (11)	-289 (17)
C(6)	-113 (13)	6285 (6)	367 (26)	77 (15)	367 (20)
Cd(2)	-22622 (10)	25000	-38727 (22)	48 (1)	23 (1)
I(2)	-36135 (10)	25000	-56671 (18)	48 (1)	-2673 (1)
I(3)	-8815 (10)	25000	-21974 (21)	52 (1)	-2706 (1)
O(4)	-1455 (10)	2500	-6661 (19)	72 (11)	-99 (11)
O(5)	-1764 (7)	1626 (4)	-5198 (13)	59 (8)	125 (11)
O(6)	-2824 (6)	1646 (4)	-2587 (13)	52 (7)	-185 (11)
O(7)	-3041 (11)	2500	-1004 (18)	92 (13)	220 (11)
C(7)	-1056 (12)	2074 (8)	-7090 (23)	86 (15)	267 (20)
C(8)	-1620 (13)	1671 (7)	-6879 (21)	88 (16)	-427 (19)
C(9)	-2324 (11)	1255 (6)	-4839 (24)	49 (11)	-497 (18)
C(10)	-2427 (11)	1216 (6)	-3102 (25)	72 (14)	139 (19)
C(11)	-2934 (13)	1666 (6)	-928 (26)	105 (17)	405 (21)
C(12)	-3448 (12)	2085 (7)	-581 (22)	86 (15)	-159 (20)

$$U_{eq} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* a_{i'} a_{j'}$$

atoms on the mirror plane. The Cd–I distances range from 2.684 (2) 2.697 (2) Å with a mean value of 2.692 (1) Å, Cd–O ranges from 2.69 (1) to 2.81 (2) Å with a mean of 2.768 (4) Å, the mean C–O and C–C distances are 1.420 (5) and 1.481 (10) Å. In the centrosymmetric molecule the O atoms are  $\pm 0.158$  (10) Å out of the best plane, the second molecule is slightly squashed on one side so that the deviations from planarity range from -0.099 (11) to 0.220 (11) Å but the mean displacement, 0.157 (6) Å, is almost identical with that for the first molecule. Unlike the centrosymmetric molecules, the Cd atom is 0.023 (1) Å out of the best plane through the O atoms.

In 18-crown-6 ether complexes with  $MX_2$ ; the metal atom may be regarded as eight-coordinated with two strong axial and six weak equatorial bonds, the complex having hexagonal bipyramidal geometry (Hughes & Truter, 1982), or as two-coordinated with the linear





Fig. 1. 18C6 CdI<sub>2</sub> showing the numbering of the atoms, bond distances and angles. Standard deviations are 0.01 Å for Cd–O and 0.02 Å for C–O or C–C distances, 0.3° for the O–Cd–O angles and 1° for O–C–C and Cd–O–C. Distances and angles not shown are listed in Table 2. Symmetry code: (i) x, 1–y, z; (ii) x, 0.5–y, z.

 $MX_2$  group 'threaded' through the 18-crown-6 cavity (Henrick, Mathews, Podejma & Tasker, 1982). The question as to whether the metal is bonded to the O atoms or whether the  $MX_2$  group just fits into the hole can be answered by examining the M-X bond lengths. In *trans* CdI<sub>2</sub> complexes, the Cd-I distances vary

Table 3. Bond distances (Å), angles (°) not shown onFig. 1 and torsion angles (°)

(a) 18C6 CdBr<sub>2</sub>; symmetry code (i) x-y, x, -z; (ii) y, y-x, -z

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Cd-Br Cd-O C(1)-O C(2)-O <sup>i</sup> C(1)-C(2)	2.506 (1) 2.752 (3) 1.420 (6) 1.414 (6) 1.490 (8)	C(1)-H(11) C(1)-H(12) C(2)-H(21) C(2)-H(22)	0.95 (5) 1.11 (7) 0.96 (6) 1.07 (5)
$\begin{array}{l} Br-Cd-O\\ Br-Cd-O^{i}\\ O-Cd-O^{i}\\ Cd-O-C(1)\\ Cd-O-C(2^{li})\\ C(1)-O-C(2^{li})\\ O-C(1)-C(2)\\ C(1)-C(2)-O^{i}\\ \end{array}$	86.87 (6) 93.13 (6) 60.30 (1) 116.6 (3) 114.1 (3) 112.7 (4) 108.8 (4) 107.2 (4)	$\begin{array}{l} O-C(1)-H(11)\\ O-C(1)-H(12)\\ C(2)-C(1)-H(12)\\ H(11)-C(1)-H(12)\\ H(11)-C(1)-H(12)\\ O^i-C(2)-H(21)\\ O^i-C(2)-H(22)\\ C(1)-C(2)-H(22)\\ H(21)-C(2)-H(22)\\ H(21)-C(2)-H(22)\\ \end{array}$	114 (3) 112 (3) 105 (3) 112 (3) 112 (3) 105 (4) 110 (4) 108 (3) 108 (3) 111 (3) 113 (4)
C(2 <sup>ii</sup> )OC(1)C(2 OC(1)C(2)O <sup>i</sup>	) 177.6 (3) 64.0 (6)	C(1)-C(2)-O <sup>i</sup> -C(1')	169-2 (3)
(b) 18C6 CdI <sub>2</sub> ; s	ymmetry code: (i)	-x, 1-y, -z; (ii) x	<i>z</i> , 0·5− <i>y</i> , <i>z</i>
Cd(1)–I(1) Cd(2)–I(2)	2-693 (1) 2-697 (2)	Cd(2)–I(3)	2.684 (2)
$\begin{array}{l} I(1)-Cd(1)-I(1^{i})\\ I(2)-Cd(2)-I(3)\\ I(1)-Cd(1)-O(1)\\ I(1)-Cd(1)-O(2)\\ I(1)-Cd(1)-O(3)\\ I(2)-Cd(2)-O(4)\\ I(2)-Cd(2)-O(5) \end{array}$	180.0 177.7 (1) 92.9 (2) 87.5 (2) 94.3 (2) 85.9 (4) 91.3 (2)	I(2)-Cd(2)-O(6) I(2)-Cd(2)-O(7) I(3)-Cd(2)-O(4) I(3)-Cd(2)-O(5) I(3)-Cd(2)-O(6) I(3)-Cd(2)-O(7)	86.5 (2) 95.7 (4) 91.8 (4) 87.5 (2) 94.7 (2) 86.7 (4)
$\begin{array}{l} O(1)-C(1)-C(2)-O\\ C(1)-C(2)-O(2)-C\\ C(2)-O(2)-C(3)-C\\ O(2)-C(3)-C(4)-O\\ C(3)-C(4)-O(3)-C\\ C(4)-O(3)-C(5)-C\\ O(3)-C(5)-C(6)-O\\ C(5)-C(6)-O(1)-C\\ C(6)-O(1)-C(1)-C\\ C(6)-O(1)-C(1)-C\\ \end{array}$		$\begin{array}{c} O(4)-C(7)-C(8)-O(0)\\ C(7)-C(8)-O(5)-C(9)-O(0)\\ O(5)-C(9)-C(10)-O(0)\\ O(5)-C(9)-C(10)-O(6)-C(10)-O(0)\\ C(9)-C(10)-O(6)-C(11)-O(6)-O(10)-O(6)-O(11)-O(12)-O(7)-O(11)-O(12)-O(7)-O(11)-O(7)-O(7)-O(7)-O(7)-O(7)-O(7)-O(7)-O(7$	$\begin{array}{ccccc} 5) & -6i \\ 9) & 17i \\ 10) & 17i \\ 0(6) & 6i \\ (11) & -17i \\ C(12) & -17i \\ O(7) & -6i \\ C(12'') & -16i \\ (8) & -16i \\ \end{array}$

E.s.d.'s for torsion angles are  $1-2^{\circ}$ .



Fig. 2. 18C6 CdBr<sub>2</sub> showing the numbering of the atoms, H atoms are named after the C atom to which they are attached. Symmetry code: (i) x-y, x, -z; (ii) y, y-x, -z.

Table 4. Metal-oxygen and metal-halogen distances (Å) in the 18C6 compounds and metal-halogen distances in  $MX_2$ ,  $\Delta = [M-X(\text{crown})] - [M-X(\text{gas})]$ 

M–O	MX	M - X(gas)	⊿
2.752 (1)	2.3645 (5)	2.235d	0.130
2.752 (3)	2.506 (1)	2·394 (2)"	0.112
2.768 (4)	2.692 (1)	2.58	0.112
2.825 (4)	$2 \cdot 314(1)$	2.252 (5) <sup>d.g</sup>	0.062
• •		$2 \cdot 41 (2)^{h}$	
2.86 (2)	2.622(1)	2·568 (4) <sup>i</sup>	0.054
	<i>M</i> -O 2·752 (1) 2·752 (3) 2·768 (4) 2·825 (4) 2·86 (2)	$\begin{array}{ccc} M-{\rm O} & M-X \\ 2\cdot752 (1) & 2\cdot3645 (5) \\ 2\cdot752 (3) & 2\cdot506 (1) \\ 2\cdot768 (4) & 2\cdot692 (1) \\ 2\cdot825 (4) & 2\cdot314 (1) \\ 2\cdot86 (2) & 2\cdot622 (1) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c cccc} M-O & M-X & M-X(gas) \\ \hline 2.752 (1) & 2.3645 (5) & 2.235^d \\ \hline 2.752 (3) & 2.506 (1) & 2.394 (2)^e \\ \hline 2.768 (4) & 2.692 (1) & 2.58' \\ \hline 2.825 (4) & 2.314 (1) & 2.252 (5)^{d.t} \\ & & 2.41 (2)^h \\ \hline 2.86 (2) & 2.622 (1) & 2.568 (4)^f \end{array}$

References: (a) Paige & Richardson (1984); (b) this work; (c) Pears, Stoddart, Crosby, Allwood & Williams (1986); (d) Lister & Sutton (1941); (e) Petrov, Utkin, Girichev & Ivanov (1985); (f) Hassel & Strømme (1938), 2.60 (2) Å; Lister & Sutton (1941), 2.56 (3) Å; (g) Kashiwabara, Konaka & Kimura (1973); (h) Akishin, Spirodonov & Khodchenkenkov (1959); (i) Gershikov (1984).

greatly according to the strength of the equatorial bonds, e.g. Cd–I is 2.692(1) Å for the 18-crown-6 ether where there are six weak 'bonds', 2.827 (1) Å in an azo-crown ether where there are two strong bonds to nitrogen and four weak 'bonds' to oxygen (Malmsten, 1979), and 2.969 (1) Å in a pyridine complex where there are four strong equatorial bonds (Ito, Shibata & Saito, 1984). If there was no bonding to oxygen one would expect Cd-I to be as short as in the isolated CdI, molecule. In fact the Cd-X distances in the crown ethers are about 0.1 Å longer than those in the free molecules (Table 4) showing that there is weak bonding to the O atoms. Weak bonds occur in other cadmium complexes, e.g. in (tetraphenylporphinato)cadmium(II) there are Cd…C contacts of 2.845 (5) Å (Hazell, 1986) between pairs of molecules. Evidence for weak Cd-O bonding in the CdCl<sub>2</sub> and CdBr<sub>2</sub> complexes is also obtained from the <sup>113</sup>Cd CP/MAS studies which show exceptionally high shielding values for the elements of the shielding tensor corresponding to out-of-plane shielding.

In the corresponding Hg crown ethers, the Hg–O bonds are even weaker than in the Cd complexes, Hg–O is 0.05 Å longer than Cd–O and Hg–X are 0.05 Å shorter than Cd-X. The Hg-X distances are only about 0.05 Å longer than in the free molecules. The structure of 18C6 HgBr, has not been determined; the Hg–Br distance should be 2.47 Å, *i.e.* the value for the free molecule plus 0.05 Å. The differences between the Hg and the Cd complexes are in accordance with Hg being a softer acceptor than Cd. Ahrland (1968) lists two scales of softness,  $\sigma_P = 0.115$ , 0.081, 0.064for Zn, Cd, Hg and  $\sigma_A = 3.1$ , 3.5, 4.6 for Zn, Cd, Hg, so that Zn-O < Cd-O < Hg-O and Zn-X should be more than 0.1 Å longer than Zn-X in the free  $ZnX_2$ molecule. The Zn-X distances in the free molecules are Zn-Cl = 2.072 (4), Zn-Br = 2.204 (5) and Zn-I =2.401(5)Å (Hargittai, Tremmel & Hargittai, 1986); the values in 18C6  $ZnX_2$  are predicted to be 0.24 Å longer than in the free molecule if the differences are linearly correlated with  $\sigma_P$  and 0.15 Å with  $\sigma_A$ . Similarly, the Zn-O distances are predicted to be 2.60 or 2.72 Å.

In 18C6 CdI<sub>2</sub> the molecules pack quite differently from the CdCl<sub>2</sub>, CdBr<sub>2</sub> and HgCl<sub>2</sub> compounds which are all isomorphous and in which all the molecules have the same orientation. The HgI<sub>2</sub> compound has a distorted 18C6 CdCl<sub>2</sub> structure.

There is no evidence from this X-ray diffraction study that there is more than one type of Cd atom in the  $18C6 \text{ CdBr}_2$  structure and the peak splitting in the NMR spectrum must be attributed to dipole spin-spin interactions.

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## Structure du Trichloro(diméthylsulfoxyde)platinate(II) de Bis(propanediamine-1,3-N,N')platine(II) (2/1)

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Abstract.  $[Pt(C_3H_{10}N_2)_2]^{2+}.2[Pt(C_2H_6OS)Cl_3]^-, M_r = 1102.5, monoclinic, P2_1/c, a = 12.815 (4), b = 9.491 (2), c = 12.078 (4) Å, \beta = 112.02 (2)^{\circ}, V = 1362 (1) Å^3, Z = 2, D_m = 2.65 (4), D_x = 2.688 Mg m^{-3}, \lambda(Mo K\alpha) = 0.7107 Å, \mu = 16.3 mm^{-1}, F(000) = 1008, T = 294 (1) K, R = 0.045 for 1959 independent reflections. The crystal contains {Pt[NH_2-}]$ 

 $(CH_2)_3NH_2]_2^{2+}$  and  $\{PtCl_3[(CH_3)_2SO]\}^-$  ions. In both groups the Pt atom displays an almost square-planar coordination. The structure is constituted of layers which spread out along (100) planes. Each layer contains a sheet of cations inserted between two sheets of anions. Cations and anions are linked together through hydrogen bonds.

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