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 $[Cu(C_4H_{16}N_4)][Ni(CN)_4],$ Abstract.  $M_r = 346.5$ triclinic.  $P\overline{1}$ , a = 6.460 (9), b = 7.230 (10), c =7.864 (15) Å,  $\alpha = 106.81$  (13),  $\beta = 91.51$  (14),  $\gamma =$  $106.94 (12)^{\circ}$ ,  $V = 333.9 (9) \text{ Å}^3$ , Z = 1,  $D_m = 1.71 (1)$ ,  $D_x = 1.723 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ ,  $\lambda(Mo K\alpha) = 0.71069 \text{ Å}$ ,  $\mu = 1.723 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$  $3.55 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ , F(000) = 177, T = 293 K, final R = 0.056for 1212 unique observed reflections. The structure consists of centrosymmetric  $[Cu(en)_2]^{2+}$  (en = ethyl-enediamine) cations and  $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$  anions linked together by two of the CN groups (the remaining two act as unidentate ligands) to form infinite chains running along the [111] direction. Bridging by the CN groups is clearly unsymmetrical [Ni-C]1.850 (4) and Cu—N = 2.533 (4) Å], leading to fourcoordinate Ni<sup>II</sup> species alternating with axially distorted octahedral Cu<sup>II</sup> groups along the chain [the equatorial Cu-N distances are 1.997(3) and 2.001 (3) Å].

**Experimental.** The title compound, (I), was prepared by mixing equimolar amounts of  $K_2Ni(CN)_4$  and  $CuSO_4.5H_2O$  (dissolved in  $H_2O$ ). The resulting precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with  $H_2O$ and dissolved in ethylenediamine/ethanol. Finally, 4–5 volumes of  $C_6H_6$  (or  $C_6D_6$ ) were added and allowed to stand until crystals appeared.

Crystal size:  $1.0 \times 0.6 \times 0.4$  mm,  $D_m$  by flotation in bromoform-cyclohexane, Weissenberg photographs consistent with Laue symmetry  $\overline{1}$ . Syntex  $P2_1$  diffractometer; unit-cell parameters by least-squares refinement of 22 reflections,  $7 < 2\theta < 26^\circ$ ; intensity data (h = 0 to 8, k = -9 to 8, l = -10 to 9) collected

with graphite-monochromated Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\theta$ -2 $\theta$  scan mode, variable scan speed, scan width 2° (in  $2\theta$ ) plus  $\alpha_1 - \alpha_2$  dispersion. Two standard reflections measured every 100 reflections, these varied by less than 5%; intensities corrected for Lorentzpolarization effects but not for absorption; 1550 unique reflections,  $2\theta \le 55^\circ$ , 1212 with  $I \ge 2\sigma(I)$  considered observed and included in the refinement. Structure solved by the heavy-atom method using XFPS (Pavelčík, 1986) and refined by block-diagonal least-squares methods, anisotropic thermal parameters for non-H atoms, H atoms fixed at calculated positions with isotropic thermal parameters set to  $B_{eq}$  of the bonded atoms; in final cycle R = 0.056, wR = 0.073 for observed reflections only, S = 1.51,  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.03$ , function minimized  $\sum w(\Delta F)^2$ , where  $w^{-1} = \sigma^2(F_o) + (C|F_o|)^2 [\sigma(F_o) \text{ derived from pulse}$ statistics and C = 0.018, in order to make  $w(\Delta F)^2$ approximately independent of  $|F_o|$  and  $\sin\theta/\lambda$ ], max. and min. heights in final  $\Delta \rho$  synthesis 0.86 and  $-0.77 \text{ e} \text{ }^{\text{A}-3}$ . Scattering factors for neutral atoms from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV); all calculations except XFPS performed with local version of NRC (1973).

Final atomic coordinates of non-H atoms and equivalent isotropic B's are listed in Table 1,\* bond

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<sup>\*</sup> Lists of structure factors, anisotropic thermal parameters, and H-atom parameters have been deposited with the British Library Document Supply Centre as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 54285 (10 pp.). Copies may be obtained through The Technical Editor, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

Table 1. Final atomic coordinates $(\times 10^4)$ and equiva-					
lent isotropic thermal parameters $(Å^2)$ with e.s.d.'s in					
parentheses					

	В	$\mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{eq}} = (4/3) \sum \boldsymbol{\beta}_{ij} \mathbf{a}_{ij}$	, <b>.a</b> <sub>j</sub> .	
	x	у	z	$B_{eq}$
Cu(1)	-0	0	0	2.12 (2)
Ni(1)	5000	5000	5000	1.96 (2)
N(1)	- 898 (5)	- 2645 (5)	526 (4)	2.67 (9)
N(2)	- 1604 (5)	923 (5)	2057 (4)	2.81 (10)
N(3)	3520 (6)	1081 (5)	2048 (5)	3.38 (10)
N(4)	1617 (6)	6152 (6)	3252 (5)	3.85 (13)
C(1)	-2698 (7)	-2654 (7)	1622 (6)	3.67 (13)
C(2)	-2139(8)	- 607 (7)	2975 (6)	3.85 (15)
C(3)	4101 (6)	2539 (6)	3188 (5)	2.51 (11)
C(4)	2882 (6)	5754 (6)	3960 (5)	2.65 (12)

Table 2	2. Bond	lengths	(A)	and	angle	es (°)	with	e.s.d.'s
in parentheses								

Cu(1) - N(1)  Cu(1) - N(2)  N(1) - C(1)  C(1) - C(2)  C(2) - N(2)  (2) - N(2)  (3) - N(2)  (4) - N(2)  (5) - N(2	1·997 (3)	Ni(1)—C(3)	1·850 (4)
	2·001 (3)	Ni(1)—C(4)	1·864 (4)
	1·465 (6)	C(3)—N(3)	1·123 (5)
	1·487 (7)	C(4)—N(4)	1·125 (6)
N(1) - Cu(1) - N(2)	84·6 (1)	N(2)-C(2)-C(1)	108·7 (4)
Cu(1) - N(1) - C(1)	107·9 (3)	C(3)-Ni(1)-C(4)	88·1 (2)
Cu(1) - N(2) - C(2)	108·7 (3)	Ni(1)-C(3)-N(3)	177·2 (4)
N(1) - C(1) - C(2)	107·3 (4)	Ni(1)-C(4)-N(4)	176·6 (4)

distances and angles in Table 2. A stereoview of the structure and the numbering scheme is given in Fig. 1.

**Related literature.** Following the report (Williams, Larson & Cromer, 1972) that the mixed-valence copper cyanide ethylenediamine complex,  $Cu_2^I(CN)_4$ - $Cu^{II}(en)_2$ . $H_2O$  (II), forms a three-dimensional network in the solid state, we attempted to prepare a



Fig. 1. A perspective view of the cation and anion and the numbering of the atoms.

 $C_6H_6$  (or  $C_6D_6$ ) clathrate of the stoichiometrically related system Ni(CN)<sub>4</sub>-Cu(en)<sub>2</sub>. However, as revealed by this crystal-structure determination, the replacement of the  $[Cu_2^I(CN)_4]^2$  by  $[Ni^{II}(CN)_4]^2$ anion causes a conversion of the three-dimensional framework into a chain structure. Consequently, in contrast to (II), there is no hole formation in the present structure (I) and, as a result, no clathrate formation was observed.

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## Structure of Tetracarbonyl[3,6-bis(pyridin-2-yl)-2,5-dihydro-1,2,4,5-tetrazine]tungsten(0)

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Abstract.  $[W(C_{12}H_{10}N_6)(CO)_4], M_r = 534.14, mono$  $clinic, <math>P2_1/c, a = 15.327(2), b = 13.993(2), c =$ 

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18.526 (2) Å,  $\beta = 114.00$  (1)°, V = 3629.7 (9) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 8,  $D_x = 1.95$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>,  $\lambda$ (Mo  $K\alpha$ ) = 0.71073 Å,  $\mu = 6.535$  mm<sup>-1</sup>, F(000) = 2032, T = 298 K, R (wR) = 0.023 (0.030) for 5538 unique observed reflections [I

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