C(25)C(26)C(27)	109.5 (6)	Fe(1)-C(27)-C(26)	70.0 (4)
Fe(1)-C(27)-C(28)	69.2 (3)	C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	107.2 (6)
Fe(1)C(28)C(24)	70.2 (2)	Fe(1)-C(28)-C(27)	69.0 (3)
C(24)C(28)C(27)	107.6 (5)	Sn(2)-C(29)-C(30)	119.3 (3)
Sn(2)-C(29)-C(34)	122.3 (3)	C(30)-C(29)-C(34)	118.2 (4)
C(29)-C(30)-C(31)	121.8 (5)	C(30)-C(31)-C(32)	118.9 (6)
C(31)—C(32)—C(33)	121.4 (6)	C(32)—C(33)—C(34)	119.8 (7)
C(29)—C(34)—C(33)	119.9 (6)	Sn(2)-C(35)-C(36)	121.1 (3)
Sn(2)-C(35)-C(40)	121.8 (3)	C(36)—C(35)—C(40)	117.1 (4)
C(35)—C(36)—C(37)	121.1 (5)	C(36)C(37)C(38)	120.4 (5)
C(37)—C(38)—C(39)	119.6 (5)	C(38)-C(39)-C(40)	120.8 (5)
C(35)-C(40)-C(39)	120.9 (4)	Sn(2)-C(41)-C(42)	119.5 (3)
Sn(2)-C(41)-C(46)	122.7 (3)	C(42)C(41)C(46)	117.8 (4)
C(41)—C(42)—C(43)	121.7 (5)	C(42)C(43)C(44)	120.5 (5)
C(43)—C(44)—C(45)	119.9 (6)	C(44)-C(45)-C(46)	120.5 (6)
C(41)-C(46)-C(45)	119.5 (5)		

Table 5. Angles (°) between least-squares planes

Plane 1 is defined by atoms C(19) to C(23), plane 2 by C(24) to C(28), plane 3 by C(1) to C(6), plane 4 by C(7) to C(12) and plane 5 by C(13) to C(18). In each case the atoms are coplanar with the largest deviation being 0.006 Å.

Angle between planes	Compound (1)	Compound (2)
1 and 2	1.7 (2)	1.4 (3)
1 and 3	92.2 (2)	93.0 (3)
1 and 4	84.4 (2)	132.2 (3)
1 and 5	131.0 (2)	61.7 (3)
2 and 3	91.4 (2)	92.6 (3)
2 and 4	86.5 (2)	131.0 (3)
2 and 5	132.4 (2)	60.6 (3)
3 and 4	112.7 (2)	97.1 (3)
3 and 5	80.0 (2)	105.2 (3)
4 and 5	55.7 (2)	70.6 (3)

Structure (1) was solved by direct methods, structure (2) by Patterson methods and both structures were refined by fullmatrix least-squares methods. All H atoms were located from difference Fourier maps. The *SHELXTL/PC* (Sheldrick, 1990) program package was used for all calculations.

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# Dipyridiniomethane cis-Dichlorotetrafluoroosmate(IV)

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## Abstract

The structure of dipyridiniomethane *cis*-dichlorotetrafluoroosmate(IV) {or N,N-methylenedipyridinium dichlorotetrafluoroosmate(IV), *cis*-[(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>N)<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>]-[OsF<sub>4</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>]}, has been determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction at room temperature. The complex anions are completely ordered in the lattice. As a result of the *trans* influence in the two asymmetric axes Cl—Os—F, the Os—F distances of 1.941 (4) and 1.953 (5) Å are slightly lengthened compared to those of the symmetric F— Os—F axis of 1.931 (5) and 1.934 (4) Å. Correspondingly, the Os—Cl distances of 2.324 (2) and 2.335 (2) Å are shortened in comparison with those of 2.364 Å in the octahedral complex anion of K<sub>2</sub>[OsCl<sub>6</sub>].

#### Comment

We are currently studying the effects of altered symmetry in octahedral mixed-ligand complex ions of the type  $[MX_nY_{6-n}]^{2-}$  (M = Re, Tc, Os, Ir, Pt; X  $\neq$  Y = F, Cl, Br, I) on the chemical and physical properties. The main emphasis is placed on vibrational and NMR spectra of compounds containing F ligands (Preetz, Ruf & Tensfeldt, 1984; Parzich, Peters & Preetz, 1993; Alvoubi, Greenslade, Foster & Preetz, 1986). Bond interactions resulting from the mutual trans influence between different ligands may be described by forcefield calculations if the structural parameters are known (Erlhöfer & Preetz, 1989; Preetz & Irmer, 1990). Unfortunately, up to now most of the structure analyses have failed because of the statistical arrangement of the mixed-halogeno complex ions in lattices of high symmetry and, consequently, no detailed information about bond lengths and angles has been available. Total or partial disorder has been observed in complex salts containing alkaline cations (De, 1972; Keller & Homburg, 1976) and also with alkylammonium ions. This problem is overcome using the dication dipyridiniomethane,  $[(C_5H_5N)_2CH_2]^{2+}$  (Brüdgam & Hartl, 1986), which forms completely ordered *AB*-type salts with mixed-ligand complex dianions.

By reaction of  $K_2[OsCl_6]$  with BrF<sub>3</sub> at room temperature a mixture containing several compounds of the series  $[OsF_nCl_{6-n}]^{2-}$  is formed, from which *cis*- $[OsF_4Cl_2]^{2-}$  has been separated by ion-exchange chromatography on diethylaminoethylcellulose (Preetz, Ruf & Tensfeldt, 1984). *cis*- $[(C_5H_5N)_2CH_2][OsF_4Cl_2]$  was precipitated from an *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide solution of the tetra-*n*-butylammonium complex salt with dipyridiniomethane dibromide and recrystallized from water/acetone forming suitable single crystals. A view of the title compound (I) with atom labelling is shown in Fig. 1.



The slightly distorted octahedral complex ion with nearly  $C_{2\nu}$  point symmetry is characterized by two asymmetric F—Os—Cl axes and one symmetric F— Os—F axis. As a result of the stronger *trans* influence of Cl compared to F in the asymmetric axes the



Fig. 1. View of the *cis*- $[OsF_4Cl_2]^{2-}$  anion and the  $[(C_5H_5N)_2CH_2]^{2+}$  cation. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level, except for the H atoms which are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius.

Os—F bonds are weakened and the Os—Cl bonds are strengthened. This means that the determined Os—F distances of 1.941 (4) and 1.953 (5) Å are slightly lengthened in comparison with those of the symmetric F—Os—F axis of 1.931 (5) and 1.934 (4) Å. The Os—Cl bond lengths of 2.324 (2) and 2.335 (2) Å are significantly shorter than those in the homoleptic compound  $K_2[OsCl_6]$  (2.364 Å; McCullough, 1936).

For steric reasons, the F1—Os—F2 angle is narrowed to  $86.8 (2)^{\circ}$ , the Cl—Os—Cl angle is widened to  $92.5 (7)^{\circ}$  and the F3—Os—F4 axis is bent to  $175.4 (2)^{\circ}$ . In the dication, the normals to the pyridine rings are almost perpendicular forming an angle of  $93.8 (1)^{\circ}$ . Its low symmetry forces the ordering of the mixed complex ions in the monoclinic unit cell, shown in Fig. 2.



Fig. 2. Stereoview of the crystal packing along the a axis.

# Experimental

Crystal data [(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>N)<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>][OsF<sub>4</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>]  $M_r = 509.33$ Monoclinic P2/n a = 6.9689 (3) Å b = 6.7658 (3) Å c = 28.994 (2) Å  $\beta = 90.172$  (5)°

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $\lambda = 0.71069$  Å Cell parameters from 25 reflections  $\theta = 6.490-11.897^{\circ}$   $\mu = 9.754$  mm<sup>-1</sup> T = 293 (2) K Prismatic

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$V = 1367.07 (14) Å^3$ Z = 4 $D_x = 2.475 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	$0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.2 \text{ mm}$ Orange
Data collection	
CAD-4-Turbo four-circle diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: empirical ( $\psi$ scans) $T_{min} = 0.69$ , $T_{max} = 0.99$ 2612 measured reflections 2402 independent reflections 2150 observed reflections $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_{int} = 0.0437$ $\theta_{max} = 24.97^{\circ}$ $h = 0 \rightarrow 8$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 8$ $l = -34 \rightarrow 34$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 240 min intensity variation: none

Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 1.410 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.0294$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -2.181 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.0846$	Extinction correction:
S = 1.159	SHELXL93 (Sheldrick,
2384 reflections	1994)
220 parameters	Extinction coefficient:
All H-atom parameters	0.0363 (12)
refined	Atomic scattering factors
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0600P)^2]$	from International Tables
+ 3.3849 <i>P</i> ]	for Crystallography (1992,
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and
$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.006$	6.1.1.4)

## Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $Å^2$ )

## $U_{\text{eq}} = (1/3) \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_i^* \mathbf{a}_i . \mathbf{a}_j.$

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{eq}$
Os	0.89761 (3)	0.38209 (3)	0.364512 (8)	0.0197 (2)
C11	0.5903 (3)	0.3930 (2)	0.39527 (7)	0.0280(4)
Cl2	1.0352 (3)	0.3050 (4)	0.43582 (7)	0.0446 (5)
F1	0.7927 (7)	0.4366 (7)	0.3038 (2)	0.0410 (10)
F2	1.1490 (7)	0.3737 (6)	0.3350 (2)	0.0391 (12)
F3	0.9363 (7)	0.6619 (7)	0.3739 (2)	0.0430(11)
F4	0.8684 (7)	0.1044 (5)	0.3503 (2)	0.0344 (10)
СМ	0.2936 (10)	0.9645 (11)	0.3684 (3)	0.0300 (15)
C11	0.5836 (10)	0.9009 (9)	0.4141 (3)	0.0245 (14)
C12	0.6680 (12)	0.8394 (11)	0.4554 (3)	0.034 (2)
C13	0.5558 (11)	0.7548 (11)	0.4890 (3)	0.032 (2)
C14	0.3625 (11)	0.7249 (11)	0.4815 (3)	0.034 (2)
C15	0.2857 (10)	0.7840(11)	0.4405 (3)	0.0282 (15)
N1	0.3935 (9)	0.8748 (7)	0.4088 (2)	0.0209 (13)
C21	0.4069 (11)	0.7326 (11)	0.3100 (3)	0.031 (2)
C22	0.4790 (11)	0.6955 (12)	0.2672 (3)	0.037 (2)
C23	0.5291 (11)	0.8499 (13)	0.2384 (3)	0.036 (2)
C24	0.5131 (11)	1.0410(12)	0.2548 (3)	0.034 (2)
C25	0.4464 (11)	1.0736 (11)	0.2979 (3)	0.032 (2)
N2	0.3900 (8)	0.9216 (9)	0.3248 (2)	0.0240(12)

## Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Os—F3 Os—F4 Os—F1 Os—F2 Os—C11 Os—C12 CM—N2 CM—N1	1.931 (5) 1.934 (4) 1.941 (4) 1.953 (5) 2.324 (2) 2.335 (2) 1.461 (9) 1.492 (9) 1.345 (10)	C12—C13 C13—C14 C14—C15 C15—N1 C21—N2 C21—C22 C22—C23 C23—C24 C24—C25	1.376 (11) 1.379 (11) 1.361 (11) 1.338 (9) 1.355 (9) 1.362 (12) 1.383 (12) 1.383 (12) 1.350 (11)
C11—N1	1.345 (10)	C24—C25	1.350 (11)
C11—C12	1.395 (12)	C25—N2	1.351 (9)

F3—Os—F4	175.4 (2)	N1-C11-C12	118.1 (7)
F3-Os-F1	89.6 (2)	C13-C12-C11	119.5 (7)
F4OsF1	87.3 (2)	C12-C13-C14	120.4 (7)
F3-Os-F2	88.0 (2)	C15-C14-C13	118.5 (7)
F4-Os-F2	88.4 (2)	N1-C15-C14	120.9 (7)
F1—Os—F2	86.8 (2)	C15-N1-C11	122.5 (6)
F3-Os-C11	92.48 (15)	C15—N1—CM	117.7 (6)
F4-Os-Cl1	90.92 (14)	C11—N1—CM	119.6 (6)
F1—Os—C11	89.83 (15)	N2-C21-C22	119.7 (7)
F2-Os-Cl1	176.6 (2)	C21-C22-C23	120.3 (8)
F3-Os-C12	92.2 (2)	C24-C23-C22	118.5 (8)
F4-Os-Cl2	90.8 (2)	C25-C24-C23	119.9 (7)
F1-Os-Cl2	177.00 (15)	C24-C25-N2	120.8 (7)
F2-Os-C12	90.9 (2)	C25-N2-C21	120.6 (7)
C11-Os-C12	92.51 (7)	C25N2CM	119.0 (6)
N2-CM-N1	112.6 (6)	C21—N2—CM	120.2 (6)

Data collection and cell refinement were performed using CAD-4-PC software (Enraf-Nonius, 1993). MolEN (Fair, 1990) was used for data reduction. The structure was solved by direct methods using SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Refinement was carried out by full-matrix least-squares methods using the program SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1994). Absorption coefficients were taken from International Tables for Crystallography (1992, Vol. C, Table 4.2.4.2). Individual anisotropic displacement parameters were used for all non-H atoms. Planes were calculated with XANADU (Roberts & Sheldrick, 1975). Molecular graphics were prepared using ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) and the material for publication was produced using SHELXL93.

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