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### Sodium Dinitritobis(pyrazine-2-carboxylato-*N,O*)cobaltate(III)

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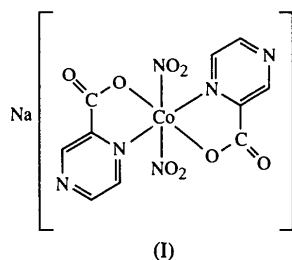
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#### Abstract

The Co atom within the centrosymmetric anion in Na[Co(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] is chelated *via* an O atom [Co—O 1.889 (1) Å] and the adjacent pyrazine N atom [Co—N 1.899 (2) Å] of two pyrazine-2-carboxylate ligands, as well as *via* the N atom of two nitrite anions [Co—N 1.954 (2) Å].

#### Comment

When a solution of pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid in ethanol was added to an aqueous solution of sodium cobalt nitrite in a 3:1 molar ratio, both orange (major product) and yellow crystals were obtained from the reddish violet solution which resulted. The yellow product corresponds to [Co(pyrazine-2-carboxylate)<sub>2</sub>(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], which has been characterized previously (O'Connor & Sinn, 1981), and the structure determination of the orange crystals, (I), is reported herein.



The complex anion (Fig. 1) is situated about a centre of inversion and the Co atom is chelated by two pyrazine-2-carboxylate anions. Coordination occurs *via* one of the carboxylate O atoms and the N atom adjacent to this group leading to the formation of a five-membered ring. The octahedral geometry is completed by two N-bound nitrite anions; the distortion from ideal geometry is minimal. The Co—O and Co—N bond distances of 1.889 (1) and 1.899 (2) Å, respectively, are shorter, as expected, than the corresponding distances of 2.093 (1) and 2.102 (2) Å found in the structure

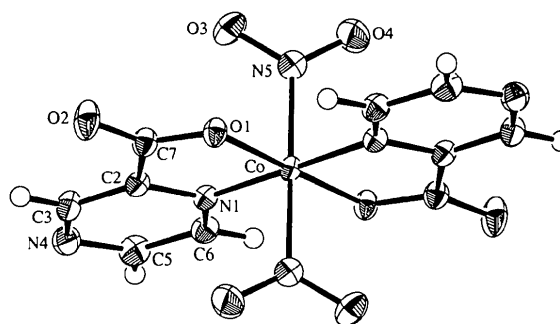


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of the [Co(pyrazine-2-carboxylate)<sub>2</sub>(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>-</sup> anion showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (ORTEP; Johnson, 1976).

of [Co(pyrazine-2-carboxylate)<sub>2</sub>(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (O'Connor & Sinn, 1981) which features a Co<sup>II</sup> centre.

The Na cation, located on a centre of symmetry, exists in a distorted octahedral N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> environment, defined by the remaining N [2.594 (2) Å] and O [2.379 (1) Å] atoms of the carboxylate ligands and a pair of O(3) atoms [2.403 (1) Å] derived from the nitrite groups. The non-coordination of the O(4) atom is reflected in the disparate N—O bond distances of 1.251 (2) and 1.220 (2) Å found in the nitrite groups.

#### Experimental

The addition of a solution of pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid in ethanol to an aqueous solution of sodium cobalt nitrite in a 3:1 molar ratio gave a reddish violet solution with evolution of NO<sub>2</sub> gas. When left to stand overnight, both orange (major product) and yellow crystals deposited from the solution. The yellow product corresponds to [Co(pyrazine-2-carboxylate)<sub>2</sub>(OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>].

#### Crystal data

Na[Co(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

*M<sub>r</sub>* = 420.12

Triclinic

*P* $\bar{1}$

*a* = 7.238 (2) Å

*b* = 8.881 (2) Å

*c* = 6.140 (1) Å

$\alpha$  = 99.81 (2)°

$\beta$  = 112.84 (2)°

$\gamma$  = 99.81 (2)°

*V* = 346.0 (1) Å<sup>3</sup>

*Z* = 1

*D<sub>x</sub>* = 2.016 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo *K*α radiation

$\lambda$  = 0.7107 Å

Cell parameters from 25 reflections

$\theta$  = 4.0–12.0°

$\mu$  = 1.336 mm<sup>-1</sup>

*T* = 293.2 K

Plate

0.34 × 0.19 × 0.03 mm

Orange

#### Data collection

Rigaku AFC-6R diffractometer

$\omega/2\theta$  scans

1596 observed reflections

*R<sub>int</sub>* = 0.0302

$\theta_{\text{max}}$  = 27.5°

Absorption correction:  $h = 0 \rightarrow 9$   
 refined from  $\Delta F$   $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$   
 (DIFABS; Walker &  $l = -7 \rightarrow 7$   
 Stuart, 1983) 3 standard reflections  
 $T_{\min} = 0.974$ ,  $T_{\max} =$  monitored every 400  
 1.000 reflections  
 1723 measured reflections intensity decay: 3%  
 1596 independent reflections

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F$   
 $R = 0.0339$   
 $wR = 0.0283$   
 $S = 1.791$   
 1596 reflections  
 121 parameters  
 H-atom parameters not  
 refined

Weighting scheme based  
 on measured e.s.d.'s;  
 $w = 1/\sigma^2(F)$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.0015$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.41 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.29 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 Atomic scattering factors  
 from *International Tables*  
 for *X-ray Crystallography*  
 (1974, Vol. IV)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

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

|      | <i>x</i>    | <i>y</i>   | <i>z</i>    | $U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|------|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Co   | 0           | 0          | 0           | 0.01702 (9)     |
| Na   | 0           | 1/2        | 1/2         | 0.0261 (3)      |
| O(1) | -0.0076 (2) | 0.1272 (1) | -0.2189 (2) | 0.0216 (3)      |
| O(2) | 0.1741 (2)  | 0.3488 (2) | -0.2415 (3) | 0.0356 (4)      |
| O(3) | -0.0965 (2) | 0.2744 (2) | 0.1629 (3)  | 0.0335 (4)      |
| O(4) | -0.2798 (3) | 0.0656 (2) | 0.1866 (3)  | 0.0377 (5)      |
| N(1) | 0.2578 (2)  | 0.1464 (2) | 0.2184 (3)  | 0.0188 (4)      |
| N(4) | 0.6354 (3)  | 0.3716 (2) | 0.4624 (3)  | 0.0265 (4)      |
| N(5) | -0.1442 (3) | 0.1279 (2) | 0.1347 (3)  | 0.0235 (4)      |
| C(2) | 0.3133 (3)  | 0.2565 (2) | 0.1140 (3)  | 0.0203 (5)      |
| C(3) | 0.5022 (3)  | 0.3670 (2) | 0.2374 (4)  | 0.0251 (5)      |
| C(5) | 0.5744 (3)  | 0.2656 (2) | 0.5667 (4)  | 0.0262 (5)      |
| C(6) | 0.3851 (3)  | 0.1509 (2) | 0.4467 (3)  | 0.0229 (5)      |
| C(7) | 0.1504 (3)  | 0.2469 (2) | -0.1361 (3) | 0.0221 (5)      |

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

|                |           |                |           |
|----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| Co—O(1)        | 1.889 (1) | N(1)—C(2)      | 1.344 (2) |
| Co—N(1)        | 1.899 (2) | N(1)—C(6)      | 1.335 (2) |
| Co—N(5)        | 1.954 (2) | N(4)—C(3)      | 1.331 (3) |
| O(1)—C(7)      | 1.283 (2) | N(4)—C(5)      | 1.332 (3) |
| O(2)—C(7)      | 1.225 (2) | C(2)—C(3)      | 1.376 (3) |
| O(3)—N(5)      | 1.251 (2) | C(2)—C(7)      | 1.507 (3) |
| O(4)—N(5)      | 1.220 (2) | C(5)—C(6)      | 1.394 (3) |
| O(1)—Co—N(1)   | 85.85 (6) | O(3)—N(5)—O(4) | 120.9 (2) |
| O(1)—Co—N(5)   | 89.77 (6) | N(1)—C(2)—C(3) | 120.2 (2) |
| N(1)—Co—N(5)   | 89.84 (7) | N(1)—C(2)—C(7) | 113.9 (2) |
| Co—O(1)—C(7)   | 114.3 (1) | C(3)—C(2)—C(7) | 125.8 (2) |
| Co—N(1)—C(2)   | 111.5 (1) | N(4)—C(3)—C(2) | 122.4 (2) |
| Co—N(1)—C(6)   | 129.7 (1) | N(4)—C(5)—C(6) | 122.7 (2) |
| C(2)—N(1)—C(6) | 118.8 (2) | N(1)—C(6)—C(5) | 119.3 (2) |
| C(3)—N(4)—C(5) | 116.5 (2) | O(1)—C(7)—O(2) | 125.6 (2) |
| Co—N(5)—O(3)   | 118.6 (1) | O(1)—C(7)—C(2) | 114.1 (2) |
| Co—N(5)—O(4)   | 120.6 (1) | O(2)—C(7)—C(2) | 120.3 (2) |

The values of  $T$  obtained from DIFABS (Walker & Stuart, 1983) have been normalized by multiplying them by  $1/T(m)$ , where  $T(m)$  was the maximum value of  $T$  obtained by the program. It is recognized that the range of  $T$  values thus obtained may not be as great as might be expected from crystals of this shape.

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## Benzyltrichloro(1,10-phenanthroline-*N,N'*)-tin(IV) Benzene Solvate (1/1)

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### Abstract

The octahedral Sn atom in the title complex,  $[\text{SnCl}_3(\text{C}_7\text{H}_7)(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)] \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ , is coordinated by one C, three Cl and two N atoms such that the two N atoms occupy positions *trans* to two of the Cl atoms, leaving one Cl atom *trans* to the C atom. This has the result that there are two classes of Sn—Cl interaction.

### Comment

The Sn atom in  $[\text{BzSnCl}_3(\text{phen})]$ , (I), where Bz is benzyl and phen is 1,10-phenanthroline, exists in a distorted octahedral geometry defined by a C atom of the benzyl group, three Cl atoms and the two N atoms of a chelating 1,10-phenanthroline ligand. The greatest