

Chains of (4,4'-bipyridyl)copper(I)  
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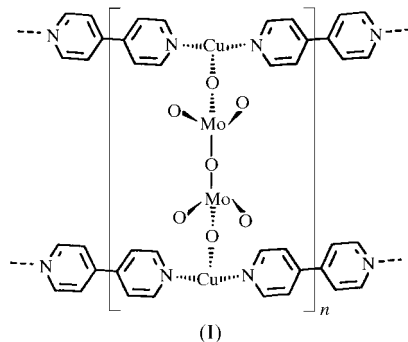
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The crystal structure of the title compound, poly[bis-[copper(I)- $\mu$ -(4,4'-bipyridyl)- $N:N'$ ]- $\mu$ -dimolybdato- $O:O'$ ],  $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}]_n$ , consists of  $\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}^{2-}$  units (with the central O atom lying on twofold symmetry axes) and  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})]_n^{n+}$  chains (bipy = bipyridyl); the chains are generated by a  $c$ -glide-plane operation. The  $\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}^{2-}$  units are covalently bridged to two  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})]_n^{n+}$  chains, forming a complex with a bridged double-chain structure. The Cu—O and Cu—N distances are 2.191 (3) and 1.933 (3) Å, respectively.

## Comment

While bidendate bipyridyl complexes with copper(I) are known, those with 4,4'-bipy are uncommon (Hathaway, 1987). In recent years, however, some groups have reported a few 4,4'-bipy complexes with an open framework structure, such as  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})\text{Cl}]_n$  (Yaghi & Li, 1995*a*), which was synthesized in non-aqueous solvents,  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})_{1.5}\text{NO}_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{1.25}]$  (Yaghi & Li, 1995*b*), and  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})\text{Mo}_8\text{O}_{26}]$  and  $[\{\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})\}_4\text{Mo}_{15}\text{O}_{47}]$  (Hagrman *et al.*, 1997), which were synthesized under hydrothermal conditions. We report here the structure of a new compound, (I), which is the first example of a polyoxoanion-bridged copper(I) complex.



The structure of (I) consists of a covalently bridged framework built up from  $\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}^{2-}$  units and  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})]_n^{n+}$  chains (Fig. 1). The dimolybdate units are structu-

rally related to the discrete dimolybdate anions which were isolated as the tetrabutylammonium salt by Day *et al.* (1977). The unit possesses crystallographic  $C_2$  symmetry and is built up from two distorted  $\text{MoO}_4$  tetrahedra by sharing a vertex. The Mo...Mo distance is 3.713 (1) Å. The  $[\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7]^{2-}$  unit has three kinds of Mo—O bonds: 1.709 (4) and 1.721 (3) Å for Mo— $\text{O}_{\text{terminal}}$ , 1.869 (1) Å for Mo— $\text{O}_{\text{bridge}}$  and 1.732 (3) Å for Mo— $\text{O}_{\text{Cu}}$ . The Mo—O—Mo angle is 166.9 (3)°, which is greater than that of the discrete  $\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}^{2-}$  anion (153.6°).

Copper(I) ions and 4,4'-bipy ligands are linked by means of a coordination bond, forming  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})]_n^{n+}$  chains. Two  $[\text{Cu}(4,4'\text{-bipy})]_n^{n+}$  chains are covalently linked through  $\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}^{2-}$  units to form  $[\text{Cu}_2(4,4'\text{-bipy})_2\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}]_n$  with a bridged double-chain structure. The distance of the two chains is 3.376 (7) Å (based on the C1...C1A distance). It is interesting that  $\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}^{2-}$  units are positioned alternately on both sides of the two chains.

The title complex displays distorted trigonal planar geometry at the copper(I) centre. The N1—Cu—N2<sup>i</sup>, N1—Cu—O1 and N2<sup>i</sup>—Cu—O1 angles are 152.59 (14), 100.78 (12) and 103.37 (12)°, respectively [symmetry code: (i)  $x, -1 - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ]. Atoms N1, N2<sup>i</sup>, O1 and Cu are nearly in the same plane. The two pyridine rings of the bipyridyl molecule are not coplanar; the bipyridyl dihedral angle is 34.2 (6)°. As the calculated valence sum of Mo is 6.06 (Brown & Altermatt, 1985), the valence sum of Cu is deduced to be 1.

## Experimental

The synthesis of (I) was carried out by the hydrothermal reaction of  $\text{Na}_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 4,4'-bipy,  $\text{As}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (molar ratio 1:1:1:0.5:500) in a 30 ml Teflon-lined stainless steel autoclave for 5 d at 443 K. The resulting rectangular parallelepiped orange crystals were separated from the green paste by washing in water after cooling down to room temperature.

## Crystal data

$[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2\{\text{Mo}_2\text{O}_7\}]$   
 $M_r = 743.33$   
 Orthorhombic,  $Pbcn$   
 $a = 11.839$  (2) Å  
 $b = 9.108$  (2) Å  
 $c = 21.319$  (4) Å  
 $V = 2298.8$  (8) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 $D_x = 2.148$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 33 reflections  
 $\theta = 4.89\text{--}11.53^\circ$   
 $\mu = 2.942$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 293$  (2) K  
 Block, orange  
 $0.50 \times 0.42 \times 0.38$  mm

## Data collection

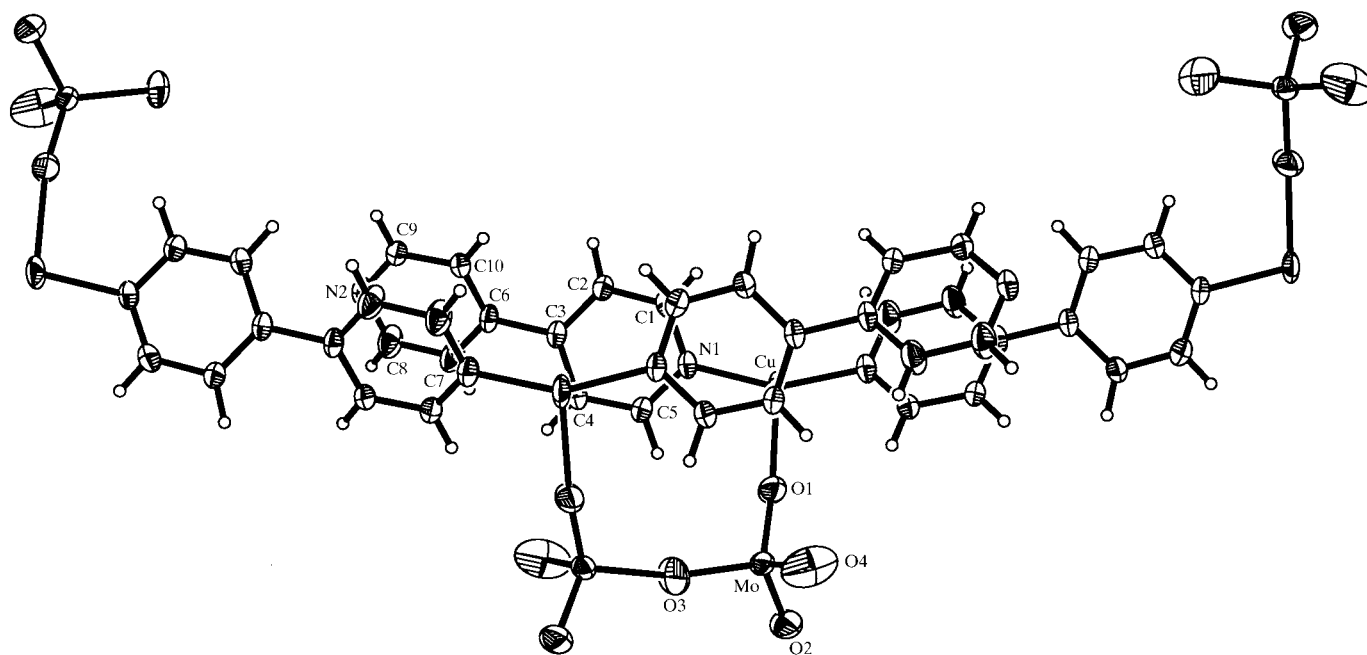
Siemens P4 diffractometer  
 $2\theta/\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: empirical  
 (North *et al.*, 1968)  
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.229$ ,  $T_{\text{max}} = 0.325$   
 2750 measured reflections  
 2016 independent reflections  
 1549 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.019$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25^\circ$   
 $h = -1 \rightarrow 14$   
 $k = -1 \rightarrow 10$   
 $l = -25 \rightarrow 1$   
 3 standard reflections  
 every 97 reflections  
 intensity decay: none

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.069$   
 $S = 0.899$   
 2016 reflections  
 191 parameters

All H-atoms parameters refined  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0414P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = -0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.510$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.901$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>


**Figure 1**

A view of (I) showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Mo—O4	1.709 (4)	Cu—O1	2.191 (3)
Mo—O2	1.721 (3)	N1—C1	1.343 (5)
Mo—O1	1.732 (3)	N1—C5	1.344 (5)
Mo—O3	1.8687 (8)	N2—C8	1.332 (5)
Cu—N1	1.933 (3)	N2—C9	1.339 (5)
Cu—N2 <sup>i</sup>	1.933 (3)	C3—C6	1.489 (5)
O4—Mo—O2	109.2 (2)	O2—Mo—O3	108.8 (2)
O4—Mo—O1	109.3 (2)	O1—Mo—O3	110.1 (2)
O2—Mo—O1	110.2 (2)	N1—Cu—O1	100.8 (1)
O4—Mo—O3	109.3 (2)		

Symmetry code: (i)  $x, -1 - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ .

All H atoms were refined and C—H distances are in the range 0.87 (5)—0.98 (5) Å.

Data collection: *XSCANS* (Siemens, 1994); cell refinement: *XSCANS*; data reduction: *SHELXTL* (Siemens, 1994); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS86* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL93* (Sheldrick, 1993); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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Supplementary data for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: NA1440). Services for accessing these data are described at the back of the journal.

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