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# A one-dimensional zigzag coordination polymer of diaqua(pyridine-2,3dicarboxylato)cobalt(II)

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The asymmetric unit of the title one-dimensional coordination polymer, *catena*-poly[[ $\mu$ -pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylato-1 $\kappa O$ :  $2\kappa^2 N, O'$ -bis[diaquacobalt(II)]]- $\mu$ -pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylato- $1\kappa^2 N, O: 2\kappa O': 1'\kappa O'$ ], [Co(C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>n</sub>, is composed of a cobalt(II) ion, a pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylate dianion and two water molecules. The polymer has a zigzag structure consisting of a chain of edge-fused rings, and the polymer chains are linked by O-H···O hydrogen bonds into a three-dimensional framework.

# Comment

The design and synthesis of coordination polymers is one of the most stimulating research frontiers in contemporary chemistry, owing to the intriguing crystallographic structure and the functional properties of these compounds (Seo *et al.*, 2000; Eddaoudi *et al.*, 2001; Perles *et al.*, 2003). The 'node and spacer' approach which is based on the nature of the metal and the coordination behaviour of the ligand has been remarkably successful at producing predicatable coordination-polymer architectures (Batten & Robson, 1998). Many coordination



polymers can be generated by using metal ions as the 'node' and linking them *via* linear 'spacer' ligands, such as 1,4-benzenedicarboxylate, 4-pyridinecarboxylate and 4,4'-bipyridine (Hagrman *et al.*, 1999; Li *et al.*, 1999; Lu & Babb, 2001). We present here the structure of a one-dimensional



Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), with displacement ellipsoids shown at the 30% probability level. H atoms unrelated to the asymmetric unit (open lines) have been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) x, y, z - 1; (vi) 1 - x, 1 - y, -z.]

zigzag-type coordination polymer, namely the title compound, (I).

The coordination motif of the Co<sup>II</sup> atom is a distorted octahedron (Table 1 and Fig. 1) in which pyridyl atom N1, three carboxylate O atoms [O4, O1<sup>i</sup> and O1<sup>ii</sup>; symmetry codes: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) x, y, z - 1] and two water O atoms (O1W and O2W) occupy the vertices. Thus, one cobalt(II) ion is bound to three pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylate ligands. One of these ligands is joined to the Co<sup>II</sup> atom via the pyridine N atom and one of the O atoms of the carboxylate group in the 2-position, thus generating a five-membered chelate ring (-C1-N1-Co-O4-C7-). The other carboxylate group (in the 3-position) lies almost perpendicular to the pyridine plane because of steric interaction between the two carboxylate groups. The dihedral angle between the pyridine ring and the O1/C6/O2 carboxylate group is 88.40 (13)°. One of the O atoms of this ligand acts as a bridge to connect two Co<sup>II</sup> atoms in a  $\mu_2$  mode, thus forming a rhomboidal Co<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> ring. The  $Co \cdots Co^{i}$  distance is 3.4052 (8) Å, and the dihedral angle between the rhomboid ring and the five-membered chelate ring is 86.46 (7)°.

Along the *c* axis, two antiparallel ligands connect a pair of neighbouring  $Co^{II}$  atoms in a head-to-tail fashion, thus generating a chain of edge-fused rings; alternatively, the structure may be regarded as a pair of zigzag chains that are



## Figure 2

A stereoview of the structure of (I), viewed approximately along the *c* axis. H atoms have been omitted for clarity and dashed lines indicate  $O - H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds.

joined together *via* the common  $Co_2O_2$  rhomboid. The two parallel zigzag chains are related by inversion centres.

There are two intrachain hydrogen bonds, viz. O1W– $H1WA\cdots O2^{ii}$  and O2W– $H2WA\cdots O3^{ii}$  (Table 2), which may exert some influence on the overall conformation of the chain. The chains are arranged in a parallel fashion along the *a* axis and in a zigzag fashion along the *b* direction. As a result, along the *a* axis, the chains are connected by interchain O2W–  $H2WB\cdots O4^{v}$  hydrogen bonds [symmetry code: (v) -x, 1 - y, -z] to form a (010) sheet. Meanwhile, along the *b* axis, an interchain O1W– $H1WB\cdots O2^{iv}$  hydrogen bond [symmetry code: (iv)  $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$ ], links the chains into puckered (100) sheets. The combination of the (100) and (010) sheets links all of the polymer chains into a three-dimensional hydrogenbonded framework (Fig. 2).

# **Experimental**

 $Co(ClO_4)_2$ · $6H_2O$  (36.6 mg, 0.10 mmol), pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylic acid (16.7 mg, 0.10 mmol) and pyridine (0.4 ml) were dissolved in a mixture of water (3 ml) and ethanol (3 ml), and the mixture was placed in a Teflon-lined stainless-steel vessel (25 ml). The vessel was sealed and heated at 403 K for 3 d and then cooled to room temperature. Large red prismatic crystals were collected by filtration and washed with water and ethanol.

 $D_x = 2.007 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation Cell parameters from 25

reflections

 $\mu = 2.00 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 (2) K

 $0.37 \times 0.24 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$ 

 $\theta = 2.2 - 13.9^{\circ}$ 

Prism, red

#### Crystal data

$\left[C_{\alpha}(C \cup NO)/(U \cup O)\right]$
$[CO(C_7\Pi_3NO_4)(\Pi_2O)_2]$
$M_r = 260.07$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
$a = 7.7200 (15) \text{\AA}$
b = 15.620(3) Å
c = 7.8100 (16)  Å
$\beta = 113.95 (3)^{\circ}$
$V = 860.7 (4) \text{ Å}^3$
Z = 4

#### Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 1254 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ diffractometer  $R_{\rm int}=0.017$  $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^{\circ}$  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan  $h = 0 \rightarrow 9$ (XCAD4; Harms & Wocadlo,  $k = 0 \rightarrow 18$  $l = -9 \rightarrow 8$ 1995)  $T_{\min} = 0.470, T_{\max} = 0.670$ 3 standard reflections 1625 measured reflections every 200 reflections 1509 independent reflections intensity decay: 1.1%

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0319P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.023$	+ 0.385P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.062$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.00	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
1509 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.28 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$
152 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.36 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H atoms treated by a mixture of	
independent and constrained	
refinement	

H atoms bonded to C atoms were treated as riding, with  $U_{iso}(H)$  values equal to  $1.2U_{eq}(C)$  and C–H distances of 0.93 Å. Water H atoms were located in difference maps and were refined subject to an O–H DFIX restraint of 0.82 (3) Å (eight restraints), with  $U_{iso}(H)$  values constrained to be  $1.2U_{eq}(O)$ .

## Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (I).

2.025 (2) 2.0613 (17) 2.107 (2) 2.133 (2) 95.81 (7) 174 31 (8)	$Co-O1^{i}$ $Co-O1^{ii}$ N1-C1 O4-C7 $N1-Co-O1^{i}$ $CO-O1^{ii}$	2.1821 (16) 2.1920 (17) 1.348 (3) 1.271 (3) 94.70 (7)
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		(7) 77 (7)
171.51 (0)	02w=00=01	05.57 (7)
78.94 (7)	N1-Co-O1	101.96 (7)
89.93 (8)	$O1^{i}-Co-O1^{ii}$	77.75 (6)
86.84 (8)	C1-N1-Co	112.72 (15)
87.63 (8)	Co <sup>i</sup> -O1-Co <sup>iii</sup>	102.25 (6)
88.34 (7)	C7-O4-Co	116.81 (15)
-90.6(3)	C1-C2-C6-O1	93.6 (3)
	86.84 (8) 87.63 (8) 88.34 (7) -90.6 (3)	$\begin{array}{cccc} -90.6 & (3) \\ -90.6 & (3) \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{cccc} & 0.1 & -N1 & -Co \\ & 0.1 & -C0 & -Co \\ & 0.1 & -C0 & -Co \\ \end{array}$

Symmetry codes: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) x, y, z - 1; (iii) x, y, 1 + z.

Table 2			
Hydrogen-bonding geometry	(Å,	<sup>°</sup> ) for (I).	

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$\begin{array}{c} O1W - H1WB \cdots O2^{iv} \\ O1W - H1WA \cdots O2^{ii} \\ O2W - H2WA \cdots O3^{ii} \\ O2W - H2WB \cdots O4^{v} \end{array}$	0.84 (3)	1.92 (3)	2.749 (3)	168 (4)
	0.81 (2)	1.83 (3)	2.604 (3)	160 (4)
	0.81 (2)	2.01 (2)	2.806 (3)	168 (3)
	0.85 (3)	1.84 (3)	2.674 (3)	170 (4)

Symmetry codes: (ii) x, y, z - 1; (iv)  $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (v) -x, 1 - y, -z.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD*4 (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2000); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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