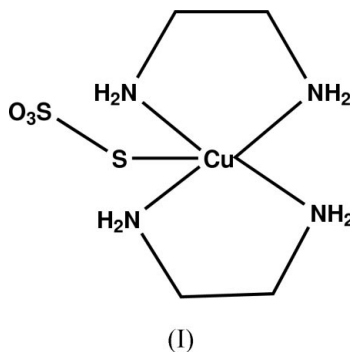


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aiyunfu@yahoo.com.cn**Key indicators**Single-crystal X-ray study  
*T* = 293 K  
Mean  $\sigma(C-C)$  = 0.005 Å  
*R* factor = 0.038  
*wR* factor = 0.099  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.**Bis(ethylenediamine- $\kappa^2N,N'$ )(thiosulfato- $\kappa S$ )-copper(II)**

The title complex,  $[Cu(S_2O_3)(C_2H_8N_2)_2]$ , exhibits a slightly distorted square-pyramidal geometry. The copper(II) atom is five-coordinated by four N atoms from two ethylenediamine molecules, and one S-atom from the thiosulfate anion. The crystal structure is stabilized by weak intermolecular  $Cu \cdots S$  interactions and  $N-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds.

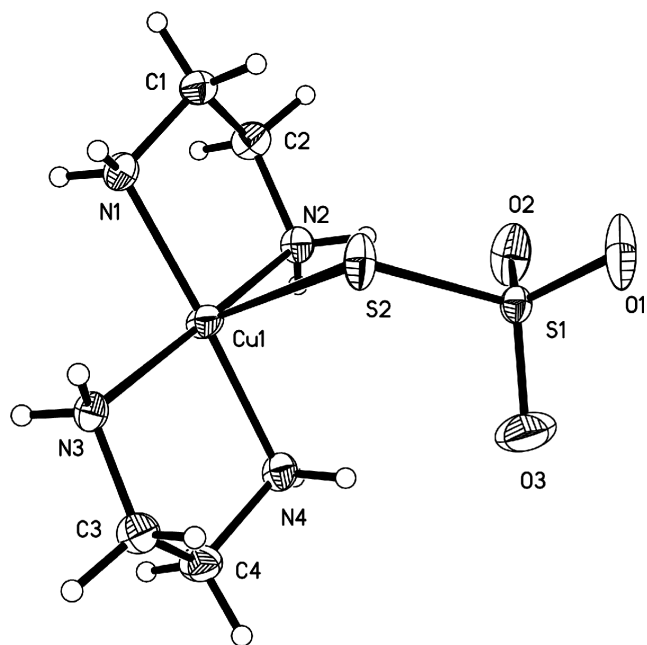
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The asymmetric unit of the title compound, (I), contains one monomeric five-coordinate cupric complex. The molecular structure of (I) is illustrated in Fig. 1 and selected bond distances and angles are given in Table 1. The Cu atom is coordinated by two ethylenediamine ligands *via* atoms N1, N2, N3 and N4 [Cu–N bond distances range from 2.016 (3) to 2.023 (3) Å], and one thiosulfate anion *via* atom S2 atom [Cu1–S2 = 2.8614 (13) Å]. Other bond lengths and angles are normal.

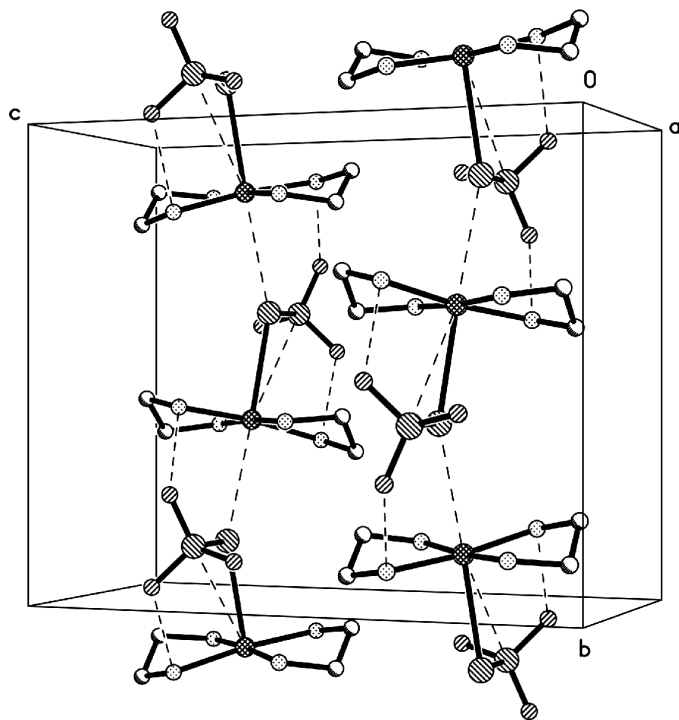


The complex exhibits a slightly distorted square-pyramidal geometry about the copper(II) atom, with the apical position occupied by atom S2 of the thiosulfate ligand. The Cu atom is displaced by 0.095 (1) Å from the basal plane defined by atoms N1, N2, N3 and N4. This situation is different from that in the similar compound aquadichloro(2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline- $\kappa^2N,N'$ )copper(II) (Lemoine *et al.*, 2003), where the Cu atom is displaced by 0.3074 (6) Å out of the basal plane defined by atoms N, O and two Cl atoms. There the distance between the apical N atoms and the Cu atom is 2.230 (2) Å, compared to 2.8614 (13) Å in (I) for distance Cu1–S2.

The distance  $Cu1 \cdots S2^i$  (see Table 1 for symmetry code) is 3.2304 (14) Å, showing that there are weak intermolecular  $Cu \cdots S$  interactions that link the molecules together (Fig. 2). All the ethylenediamine amino H atoms and the three thiosulfate O atoms participate in intra- and intermolecular  $N-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds (Table 2 and Fig. 2). In this manner, the crystal structure is stabilized and a two-dimensional



**Figure 1**  
The structure of the title compound (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.



**Figure 2**  
Crystal packing of (I), showing the weak intermolecular Cu...S interactions, and the N...O hydrogen-bonded interactions, as dashed lines. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

hydrogen-bonded network is formed extending in the *ab* plane.

## Experimental

The title compound was synthesized as follows: to a methanol solution of ethylenediamine (1.0 mmol) and  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.5 mmol)

was added a methanol solution of  $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.5 mmol), with stirring at reflux. The mixture was stirred continuously for 6 h, and then cooled and filtered. Slow evaporation of the solution gave a blue crystalline compound (I). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by diffusion of diethyl ether into an acetonitrile solution of (I) over a period of six days.

### Crystal data

$[\text{Cu}(\text{S}_2\text{O}_3)(\text{C}_2\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2]$   
 $M_r = 295.87$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 6.613$  (2) Å  
 $b = 11.858$  (4) Å  
 $c = 13.936$  (5) Å  
 $\beta = 94.216$  (4)°  
 $V = 1089.8$  (6) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.803$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 1942 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.9$ – $26.4$ °  
 $\mu = 2.38$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 293$  (2) K  
 Block, blue  
 $0.29 \times 0.17 \times 0.15$  mm

### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.535$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.703$   
 5507 measured reflections

1893 independent reflections  
 1356 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.034$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 25.0$ °  
 $h = -6 \rightarrow 7$   
 $k = -11 \rightarrow 14$   
 $l = -16 \rightarrow 16$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.038$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.099$   
 $S = 0.93$   
 1893 reflections  
 127 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0621P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.56$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.76$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1–N4	2.016 (3)	Cu1–N2	2.023 (3)
Cu1–N1	2.017 (3)	Cu1–S2	2.8614 (13)
Cu1–N3	2.018 (3)	Cu1–S2 <sup>i</sup>	3.2304 (14)
N4–Cu1–N1	175.32 (11)	N3–Cu1–S2	91.24 (8)
N4–Cu1–N3	84.79 (11)	N2–Cu1–S2	94.89 (9)
N1–Cu1–N3	95.39 (11)	N4–Cu1–S2 <sup>i</sup>	88.98 (8)
N4–Cu1–N2	94.85 (11)	N1–Cu1–S2 <sup>i</sup>	86.37 (8)
N1–Cu1–N2	84.47 (11)	N3–Cu1–S2 <sup>i</sup>	86.07 (8)
N3–Cu1–N2	173.87 (11)	N2–Cu1–S2 <sup>i</sup>	87.80 (9)
N4–Cu1–S2	92.16 (8)	S2–Cu1–S2 <sup>i</sup>	176.975 (16)
N1–Cu1–S2	92.51 (8)		

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

**Table 2**

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

<i>D</i> –H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H... <i>A</i>
N1–H1B...O2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.90	2.09	2.955 (4)	161
N2–H2A...O2	0.90	2.03	2.889 (4)	160
N2–H2B...O1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.90	2.46	3.164 (4)	135
N3–H3B...O1 <sup>iv</sup>	0.90	2.04	2.888 (4)	156
N4–H4A...O1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.90	2.00	2.840 (4)	155
N4–H4B...O3	0.90	2.33	3.201 (5)	163

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

All the H atoms were placed in idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with N–H distances of 0.90 Å and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{N})$ , and C–H distances of 0.97 Å and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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