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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=295 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.008 \AA$
Disorder in main residue
$R$ factor $=0.065$
$w R$ factor $=0.157$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=11.3$

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## The cyclic dimer $\operatorname{bis}\left(\mu_{2}-4\right.$-sulfonatobenzoato)-bis[(di-2-pyridylamine)copper(II)] trihydrate

The title complex, $\quad\left[\mathrm{Cu}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{5} \mathrm{~S}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{9} \mathrm{~N}_{3}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot 3 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, comprises the centrosymmetric cyclic dimeric $\mathrm{Cu}^{\mathrm{II}}$ complex and uncoordinated water molecules. The $\mathrm{Cu}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atom displays a distorted square-pyramidal geometry. Within the cyclic dimer, the $\mathrm{Cu} \cdots \mathrm{Cu}$ separation is 9.5362 (12) $\AA$.

## Comment

In recent decades, a great number of dimeric complexes have been synthesized and structurally characterized (Huang et al., 2003; Rochon \& Massarweh, 2001; Heinze et al., 1998), among which several are cyclic (Lawrence et al., 2001; Burrows et al., 1997). 4-Sulfobenzoic acid $\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{sb}\right)$ is a good bridging ligand for the construction of cyclic dimers (Fan et al., 2005, 2004). Here, we present the title new cyclic complex, (I), bridged by $\mathrm{sb}^{2-}$ anions.

(I)

The centrosymmetric dimer of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. The $\mathrm{Cu}^{\mathrm{II}}$ atom adopts a distorted square-pyramidal geometry (Table 1), formed by two N donors from one $2,2^{\prime}$-dipyridylamine and three O atoms, two from a carboxyl group and one from a sulfonyl group of the other $\mathrm{sb}^{2-}$ anion. The sulfonyl atom $\mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}$ [symmetry code: (i) $1-x, 1-y, 1-z$ ] occupies the apical site. The bridging mode of the $\mathrm{sb}^{2-}$ anion in (I) is similar to that found in $\left[\mathrm{Cd}(\text { phen })(\mathrm{sb})\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2}\right]_{2}$ (phen is 1,10-phenanthroline; Fan et al., 2005) but different from that found in $\left[\mathrm{Cu}\left(2,2^{\prime} \text {-bipy }\right)(\mathrm{sb})\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)\right]_{2}$ (2,2'-bipy is $2,2^{\prime}$-bipyridine; Fan et al., 2004). In the cyclic dimer molecule, the $\mathrm{Cu} \cdots \mathrm{Cu}$ separation of 9.5362 (12) $\AA$ is shorter than the value of 9.7495 (8) $\AA$ in $\left[\mathrm{Cu}\left(2,2^{\prime} \text {-bipy)(sb) }\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)\right]_{2}\right.$ (Fan et al., 2004). The benzene ring is coplanar with the carboxyl group, the dihedral angle being $0.6(8)^{\circ}$. The two pyridine rings of the $2,2^{\prime}$-dipyridylamine subtend a dihedral angle of 11.8 (4) ${ }^{\circ}$.

In the crystal structure of (I), extensive hydrogen bonding occurs between uncoordinated water and the complex molecules (Table 2).

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## Experimental

A mixture of copper(II) acetate hydrate ( $0.040 \mathrm{~g}, 0.2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), potassium hydrogen 4 -sulfobenzoate ( $0.048 \mathrm{~g}, 0.2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), 2, $2^{\prime}$-dipyridylamine ( $0.031 \mathrm{~g}, 0.2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), $\mathrm{NaOH}(0.020 \mathrm{~g}, 0.5 \mathrm{mmol})$ and water $(15 \mathrm{ml})$ was heated at 423 K for 72 h in a 30 ml Teflon-lined stainlesssteel autoclave. After cooling to room temperature, a green solution was obtained. Green block-shaped single crystals of (I) were obtained from the resulting solution after 1 d .

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Cu}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{5} \mathrm{~S}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{9} \mathrm{~N}_{3}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot 3 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=923.86$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=8.2409$ (5) $\AA$
$b=9.8064$ (6) A
$c=11.5670(7) \AA$
$\alpha=87.027(1)^{\circ}$
$\beta=85.507(1)^{\circ}$
$\gamma=80.552(1)^{\circ}$
$V=918.5$ (1) $\AA^{3}$

## Data collection

Bruker APEX area-detector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 2002)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.629, T_{\text {max }}=0.813$
6651 measured reflections

## $Z=1$

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D_{x}=1.670 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3}
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Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 3422 reflections
$\theta=2.5-27.7^{\circ}$
$\mu=1.35 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=295$ (2) K
Block, green
$0.38 \times 0.19 \times 0.16 \mathrm{~mm}$

3218 independent reflections
2979 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.019$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.0^{\circ}$
$h=-9 \rightarrow 9$
$k=-11 \rightarrow 11$
$l=-13 \rightarrow 13$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$

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\begin{gathered}
\begin{array}{c}
w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0638 P)^{2}\right. \\
\quad+2.1586 P] \\
\text { where } P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001 \\
\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.98 \text { e } \AA^{-3} \\
\Delta \rho_{\min }=
\end{array}-_{0.52 \mathrm{e}^{-3}}
\end{gathered}
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Figure 1
The dimeric structure of (I), with $40 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for H atoms). Minor disordered components have been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry code (i): $1-x, 1-y, 1-z$.]

The sulfonyl atom O 4 is disordered over two positions; two occupancies were initially refined. They converged to 0.503 (4) and 0.497 (4), and then each was fixed at 0.5 in the final cycles of refinement. One uncoordinated water atom (O1W) was also disordered over two positions; the occupancies were initially refined. They converged to 0.532 (4) and 0.468 (4), and were then fixed at 0.57 and 0.43 , respectively, in the final cycles of refinement. H atoms on O atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined by riding on their as-found positions relative to the O atoms, with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=$ $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{O})$. Other H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93 \AA$ and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.86 \AA$, and were included in the final cycles of refinement in riding mode, with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}$ of the carrier atoms.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: $\operatorname{WinGX}$ (Farrugia, 1999).

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[^0]:    Symmetry codes: (ii) $x+1, y-1, z-1$; (iii) $1-x,-y,-z$; (iv) $1-x,-y, 1-z$; (v)
    $-x, 1-y, 1-z$.

