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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.005 Å R factor = 0.045 wR factor = 0.117 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.4

For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see http://journals.iucr.org/e. The title compound,  $[Cu(C_8H_4O_4)(C_2H_7N)_2]_n$ , is a twodimensional coordination polymer. The Cu atom adopts a square-pyramidal coordination involving two *trans* dimethylamine molecules and three terephthalate O atoms. There are two distinct terephthalate dianions, both having inversion symmetry. One bonds to four Cu neighbours as a  $\mu_4$ -bridge and one bonds to two Cu atoms as a  $\mu_2$ -bridge. N-H···O hydrogen bonds complete the structure.

Poly[[bis(dimethylamine)copper(II)]-*µ*-terephthalato]

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#### Comment

This study continues our investigation of the products of solvothermal reactions of metal salts with terephthalic acid in an *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide solvent medium. Such a reaction involving manganous chloride gave  $[Mn(C_8H_4O_4)-(C_3H_7NO)_{0.67}]_n$  (Fu, Ren, Qiao & Ng, 2004). Reaction with cobalt(II) nitrate gave  $[Co(C_8H_4O_4)(C_3H_7NO)]_n$  (Fu, Ren & Ng, 2004). Reaction with cupric(II) nitrate gave the title compound, (I), (Fig. 1), which adopts a polymeric two-dimensional layer structure.



Atom Cu1 in (I) adopts a distorted square-pyramidal coordination geometry involving two *trans* dimethylamine N atoms and three terephthalate O atoms (Table 1). The two unique terephthalate dianions are both generated by inversion symmetry from the atoms of the asymmetric unit. The C10 species bonds to four Cu neighbours as a  $\mu_4$ -bridge, and the C11 molecule bonds to two Cu atoms as a  $\mu_2$ -bridge (Fig. 2). Its atom O3 does not bond to Cu, and consequently this C=O bond is short. Two N-H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 2) complete the structure.

A small number of adducts of copper terephthalate have been characterized; these include the 1,10-phenanthroline (Sun *et al.*, 2000; Cano *et al.*, 1997), diethylenetriamine (Bakalbassis *et al.*, 1991) and 3-picoline (Bakalbassis *et al.*, 1992) adducts, which are complexes of ligands coordinated through their N atoms.

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## **Experimental**

Cupric nitrate (0.24 g, 1 mmol), terephthalic acid (0.40 g, 3 mmol) and dimethylformamide (10 ml) were placed in a Teflon-lined stainless steel bomb. The bomb was heated at 403 K for one month. Blue crystals of (I) were obtained on slow cooling of the bomb. CHN elemental analysis, found: C 44.9, H 5.1, N 8.3%; calculated for  $C_{12}H_{18}CuN_2O_4$ : C 45.3, H 5.7, N 8.8%.

Z = 4

 $D_x = 1.533 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

 $0.32\,\times\,0.09\,\times\,0.07$  mm

7464 measured reflections

2532 independent reflections

1940 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $\mu = 1.60 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 298 (2) K Rod. blue

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\rm int} &= 0.044\\ \theta_{\rm max} &= 25.5^\circ \end{aligned}$ 

#### Crystal data

$[Cu(C_8H_4O_4)(C_2H_7N)_2]$
$M_r = 317.83$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
a = 10.4627 (16)  Å
b = 9.8602 (14)  Å
c = 13.3477 (19)  Å
$\beta = 90.610 \ (2)^{\circ}$
V = 1376.9 (3) Å <sup>3</sup>

### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)  $T_{\rm min} = 0.629, T_{\rm max} = 0.896$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0548P)^2$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$	+ 0.2117P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.117$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.03	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
2532 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.48 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$
176 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.28 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

#### Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

Cu1-O1	1.971 (2)	C10-O2	1.273 (4)
Cu1-O2	1.985 (2)	C10-O4	1.243 (4)
Cu1-O4 <sup>i</sup>	2.298 (2)	C11-O1	1.286 (4)
Cu1-N1	2.004 (3)	C11-O3	1.217 (4)
Cu1-N2	2.019 (3)		

Symmetry code: (i) -x + 2, -y, -z.

#### Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$\begin{array}{c} N2 - H2D \cdots O4 \\ N1 - H1D \cdots O3 \end{array}$	0.91	2.19	2.974 (4)	144
	0.91	1.94	2.777 (4)	152

H atoms were positioned geometrically, with C-H = 0.93–0.96 Å and N-H = 0.91 Å, and refined as riding, with  $U_{iso}$ (H) = 1.2 $U_{eq}$ (C,N) or 1.5 $U_{eq}$ (C<sub>methyl</sub>).

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics:



#### Figure 1

A view of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 40% probability level and H atoms drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii. Atoms with the suffix A are generated by (1 - x, -y - 1, -z) and atom O4B by (2 - x, -y, -z).



#### Figure 2

A view of part of an extended sheet of (I), with all H atoms and the C atoms of the dimethylamine species omitted for clarity. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (i) 2 - x, -y, -z; (ii) 2 - x, 1 - y, -z; (iii) 1 - x, 1 - y, -z.]

*SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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