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Key indicators

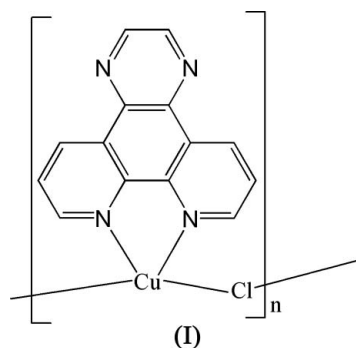
Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 292\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.039
 wR factor = 0.103
Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.8For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.*catena*-Poly[[*(pyrazino*[2,3-*f*][1,10]phen-
anthroline)copper(I)]- μ_2 -chloro]

In the title compound, $[\text{CuCl}(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{N}_4)]_n$, the central Cu^{I} ion displays a distorted tetrahedral geometry, coordinated by two Cl^- ions and two N atoms from a bidentate pyrazino[2,3-*f*]-[1,10]phenanthroline (PyPhen) ligand. Each Cl^- ion bridges two Cu^{I} atoms, forming a zigzag chain structure. Cu and Cl have site symmetry 2; the complete PyPhen molecule is generated by twofold symmetry.

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Comment

Inorganic–organic coordination polymers based on Cu^{I} halides and aromatic nitrogen-donor ligands have been attracting increasing interest (Ford *et al.*, 1999). Previous results have shown that Cu^{I} halides can be combined with monodentate nitrogen-donor ligands, producing a wide array of structural types (Ohi *et al.*, 2005; Wang *et al.*, 2005). However, Cu^{I} halides with chelating bidentate nitrogen-donor ligands have rarely been investigated (Haddad & Willett, 2001). The 1,10-phenanthroline (Phen) ligand has been widely used to build novel supramolecular architectures through aromatic π – π interactions (Chen & Liu, 2002), while an important derivative of Phen, pyrazino[2,3-*f*][1,10]-phenanthroline (PyPhen), was recently used to synthesize coordination polymers (Che, 2006). We selected the chloride ion as a linker and PyPhen as a secondary chelating ligand, generating a new Cu^{I} coordination polymer, $[\text{CuCl}(\text{PyPhen})]$, (I), which is reported here.



The central Cu^{I} ion (site symmetry 2) in (I) displays a distorted tetrahedral geometry, coordinated (Table 1) by two Cl^- ions and two N atoms from PyPhen (Fig. 1). The complete PyPhen molecule is built up by a twofold axis that bisects the $\text{C}4-\text{C}4^i$, $\text{C}6-\text{C}6^i$ and $\text{C}7-\text{C}7^i$ bonds [symmetry code: (i) $1-x, y, \frac{1}{2}-z$]. Each Cl^- ion (site symmetry 2) bridges two Cu^{I} atoms, generating a distinctive zigzag chain structure (Fig. 2) that propagates along [100]. The PyPhen ligands are thus attached to one side of a single-stranded chain.

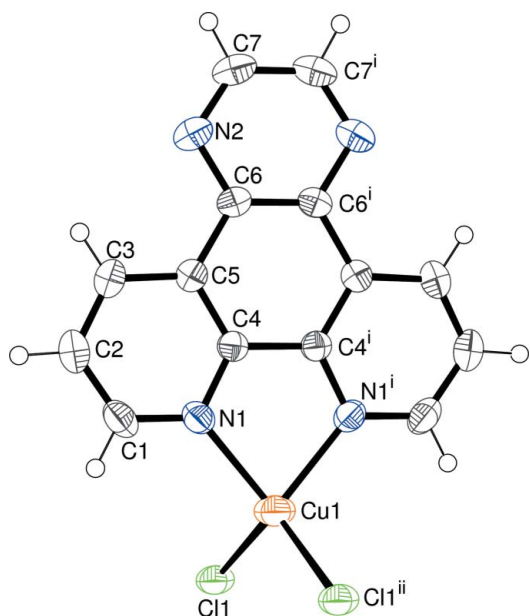


Figure 1
The asymmetric unit of (I), together with further atoms to complete the Cu^{I} coordination and the PyPhen ligand. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level (arbitrary spheres for the H atoms). [Symmetry codes: (i) $1 - x, y, \frac{1}{2} - z$; (ii) $x - 1, y, z$.]

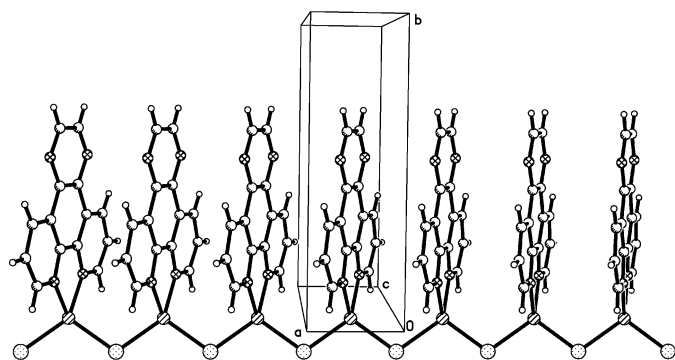


Figure 2
View of the single-chain polymeric structure of (I).

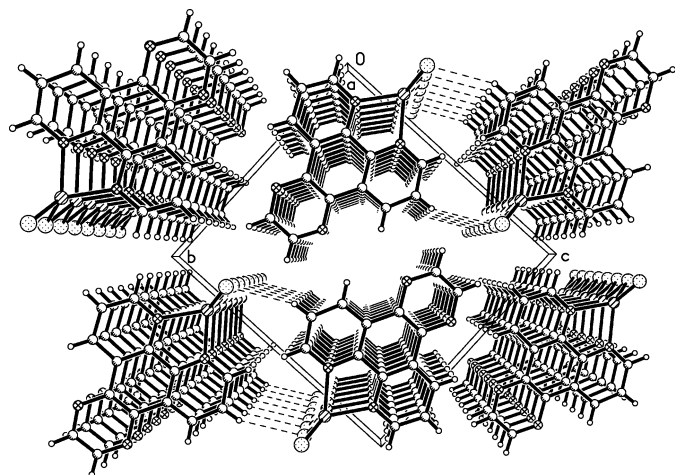


Figure 3
View of the packing of (I), with $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$ interactions shown as dashed lines.

There are $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions with a $\pi-\pi$ stacking distance of 3.55 Å between PyPhen ligands in the same single chain. A long inter-chain $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$ interaction (Table 2) may also help to consolidate the crystal packing (Fig. 3).

Experimental

The PyPhen ligand was synthesized according to the literature method of Dickeson & Summers (1970). Compound (I) was hydrothermally synthesized under autogenous pressure: a mixture of PyPhen, CuCl_2 and water in a molar ratio of 2:1:5000 was sealed in a Teflon-lined autoclave and heated to 453 K for 3 d. Upon cooling and opening the bomb, orange plates and slabs of (I) were obtained (45% yield based on Cu).

Crystal data

$[\text{CuCl}(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{N}_4)]$
 $M_r = 331.23$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
 $a = 3.7354$ (7) Å
 $b = 12.099$ (2) Å
 $c = 13.129$ (3) Å
 $\beta = 91.33$ (3)°
 $V = 593.2$ (2) Å³

$Z = 2$
 $D_x = 1.854$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 2.06$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 292$ (2) K
 Slab, orange
 $0.31 \times 0.28 \times 0.19$ mm

Data collection

Rigaku R-Axis RAPID
 diffractometer
 ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan
 (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.539$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.679$

5650 measured reflections
 1358 independent reflections
 1067 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.042$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.103$
 $S = 1.08$
 1358 reflections
 92 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0449P)^2 + 0.4657P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.34$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.40$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

$\text{Cl1}-\text{Cu1}$	2.3013 (7)	$\text{Cu1}-\text{N1}$	2.094 (2)
$\text{N1}^{\text{i}}-\text{Cu1}-\text{N1}$	79.52 (13)	$\text{N1}-\text{Cu1}-\text{Cl1}$	106.22 (7)
$\text{N1}-\text{Cu1}-\text{Cl1}^{\text{ii}}$	128.23 (7)	$\text{Cl1}^{\text{ii}}-\text{Cu1}-\text{Cl1}$	108.50 (5)

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

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C2}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{iii}}$	0.93	2.87	3.720 (4)	153

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

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding atoms, with $\text{C}-\text{H} = 0.93$ Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: *PROCESS-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *PROCESS-AUTO*; data reduction: *PROCESS-AUTO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997);

program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL-Plus* (Sheldrick, 1990); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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