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**Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 293$  K  
 Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.037  
 $wR$  factor = 0.095  
 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.6

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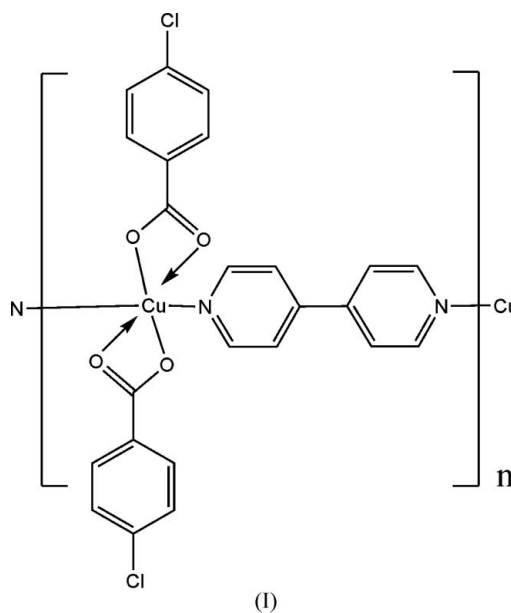
**catena-Poly[bis(4-chlorobenzoato)copper(II)]-  
 $\mu$ -4,4'-bipyridine- $\kappa^2\text{N}:\text{N}'$ ]**

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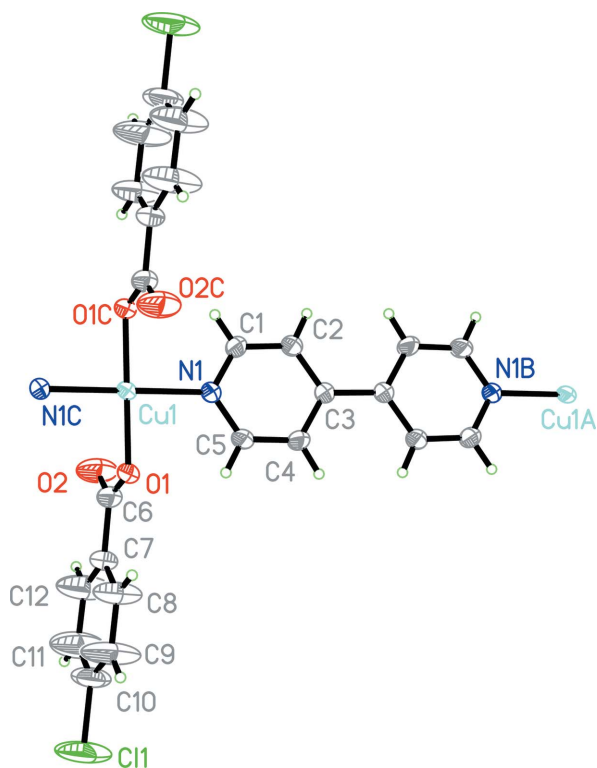
In the title complex,  $[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_7\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_2)_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)]_n$ , the  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}$  ion, lying on an inversion centre, is coordinated by two monodentate 4-chlorobenzoate ligands and two N atoms from two bridging 4,4'-bipyridine ligands, each disposed about a centre of inversion, within an  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  square plane. This coordination leads to the formation of a linear chain.

**Comment**

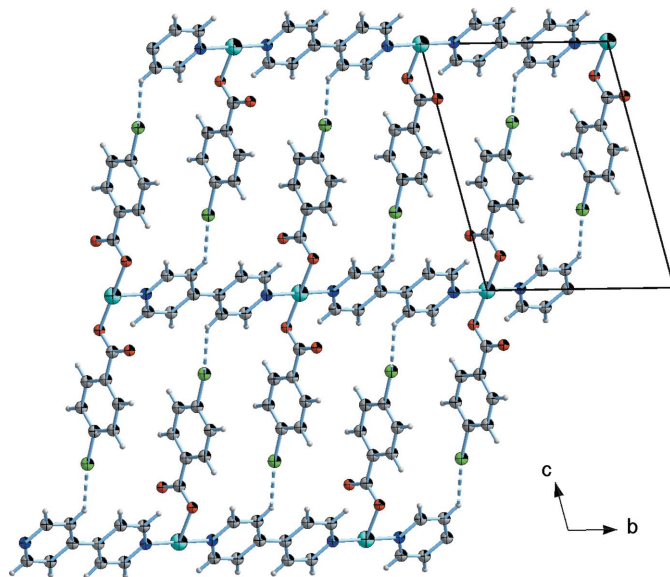
The self-assembly of molecular building blocks containing organic ligands and inorganic metal ions provides an efficient and reliable approach for the design and synthesis of organic-inorganic hybrid materials (Draper *et al.*, 2004; Li *et al.*, 2005). In recent years, many copper(II) complexes have been generated for their tunable properties such as molecular recognition, adsorption and separation processes, catalysis, ion exchange and as molecular magnets (Kitagawa *et al.*, 2004; Min & Suh, 2000). Here, a new copper(II) complex, (I), is reported.



In (I), the  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}$  ion, lying on an inversion centre, is coordinated by two O atoms from two 4-chlorobenzoate ligands and two N atoms derived from symmetry-related 4,4'-bipyridine ligands, each disposed about a centre of inversion. The resulting coordination geometry is based on  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  square planar (Fig. 1). The  $\text{Cu}-\text{O}$  and  $\text{Cu}-\text{N}$  distances (Table 1) are comparable with literature values (Phillips & Lee, 2001). In addition, there are weak intramolecular  $\text{Cu} \cdots \text{O}_2$  interactions (Falvello *et al.*, 2001) of 2.743 (2) Å above and below the



**Figure 1**  
Part of the polymeric structure of the title complex, with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (A)  $-1 + x, 1 + y, z$ ; (B)  $-x, 1 - y, -z$ ; (C)  $1 - x, -y, -z$ .]



**Figure 2**  
A view of the chains in (I), extended by C–H...Cl interactions (dashed lines) along the *a* axis into a two-dimensional array.

square plane. The 4,4'-bipyridine ligands connect the  $\{\text{Cu}(\text{C}_7\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_2)_2\}$  units to form an infinite one-dimensional chain (Fig. 2). The chains are linked into a two-dimensional array *via* intermolecular  $\text{Cl1} \cdots \text{H4}^i - \text{C4}^i$  interactions, with  $\text{Cl1} \cdots \text{H4}^i - \text{C4}^i = 2.86 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\text{Cl1} \cdots \text{C4}^i = 3.541(3) \text{ \AA}$  and an angle of  $131^\circ$  at  $\text{H4}^i$  (Fig. 2) [symmetry code: (i)  $2 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ ].

## Experimental

A mixture of CuO (0.5 mmol, 0.04 g), 4,4'-bipyridine (0.5 mmol, 0.096 g), 4-chlorobenzoic acid (1 mmol, 0.16 g) and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (5 ml) was placed in a 25 ml acid-digestion bomb at 413 K for 3 d. After cooling to room temperature ( $5 \text{ K h}^{-1}$ ), purple crystals were obtained (yield 60% based on Cu; m.p. 568 K). These were filtered off, washed with ethanol and dried in air. Elemental analysis calculated (%): C 54.30, H 3.04, N 5.28; found: C 54.62, H 2.86, N 5.21.

## Crystal data

$[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_7\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_2)_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)]$   
 $M_r = 530.83$   
 Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 5.4005(11) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 8.9359(18) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 12.019(2) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\alpha = 103.17(3)^\circ$   
 $\beta = 94.31(3)^\circ$   
 $\gamma = 100.11(3)^\circ$

$V = 551.97(18) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 1$   
 $D_x = 1.597 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 1.27 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 293(2) \text{ K}$   
 Block, purple  
 $0.48 \times 0.31 \times 0.13 \text{ mm}$

## Data collection

Rigaku R-Axis RAPID IP area-detector diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.583$ ,  $T_{\text{max}} = 0.856$

5484 measured reflections  
 2510 independent reflections  
 2325 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.095$   
 $S = 1.07$   
 2510 reflections  
 151 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0478P)^2 + 0.1853P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.40 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.33 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

Cu1—O1	1.9286 (16)	C6—O1	1.276 (3)
Cu1—N1	2.0632 (16)	C6—O2	1.223 (3)
O1—Cu1—N1	90.03 (7)	O1 <sup>i</sup> —Cu1—N1	89.97 (7)

Symmetry code: (i)  $-x + 1, -y, -z$ .

H-atom parameters were refined in the riding-model approximation, with  $\text{C—H} = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$  and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 2004); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSK, 2004); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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