

## Dibromido(2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline- $\kappa^2 N,N'$ )zinc

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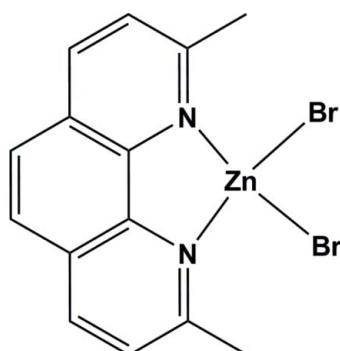
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 298\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.050;  $wR$  factor = 0.100; data-to-parameter ratio = 23.1.

The reaction of equimolar amounts of zinc bromide and 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline in dry methanol provided the title compound,  $[\text{ZnBr}_2(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2)]$ , in good yield. The  $\text{Zn}^{II}$  ion is coordinated in a distorted tetrahedral environment by two N atoms from the chelating 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline ligand and two bromide ions. There is intermolecular  $\pi-\pi$  stacking between adjacent phenanthroline units, with centroid–centroid distances of 3.594 (3) and 3.652 (3)  $\text{\AA}$ .

### Related literature

For similar structures, see: Seebacher *et al.* (2004); Harvey *et al.* (1999); Jordan *et al.* (1991); Pallenberg *et al.* (1997).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$[\text{ZnBr}_2(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2)]$   
 $M_r = 433.45$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 9.4113 (19)\text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 18.424 (4)\text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 9.3362 (19)\text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 112.59 (3)^\circ$

$V = 1494.6 (6)\text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 4$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 6.98\text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 298\text{ K}$   
 $0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.17\text{ mm}$

#### Data collection

Stoe IPDS 2T diffractometer  
Absorption correction: numerical  
[shape of crystal determined  
optically (*X-RED32*; Stoe & Cie,  
(2005))]  
 $T_{\min} = 0.274$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.383$

11850 measured reflections  
4014 independent reflections  
2304 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.076$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.100$   
 $S = 0.95$   
4014 reflections

174 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.40\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.67\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Data collection: *X-AREA* (Stoe & Cie, 2005); cell refinement: *X-AREA*; data reduction: *X-AREA*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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### Comment

1,10-phenanthroline is a good bidentate chelating ligand, we present the crystal structure of the title complex based on 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline.

In the molecule of the title compound, (Fig. 1), the two N atoms of one phen ligand and two Br atoms are coordinated to Zn<sup>II</sup> atom in a distorted tetrahedral arrangement. The Zn—N bonds [average 2.062 Å] are somewhat shorter than the Zn—Br distances [average 2.328 Å] and they are closed to such bond lengths found in other discrete 1,10-phenanthroline derivatives of zinc complexes (Seebacher *et al.*, (2004); Harvey *et al.*, (1999)). The two N atoms bite angle of phen ligand, N(2)—Zn(1)—N(1), significantly is smaller than N(2)—Zn(1)—Br(1) and N(1)—Zn(1)—Br(2). The bite angle in title complex is also similar to that of found in other zinc complexes of 1,10-phenanthroline, regardless of geometry of complex (Jordan *et al.*, (1991); Pallenberg *et al.*, (1997)).

In the crystal structure, There are intermolecular  $\pi$ — $\pi$  stacking between adjacent phenanthroline, with a centroid—centroid distances of 3.594 (3) and 3.652 (3) Å (Fig. 2). These  $\pi$ — $\pi$  stacking interactions lead to the stabilization of the crystal structure.

### Experimental

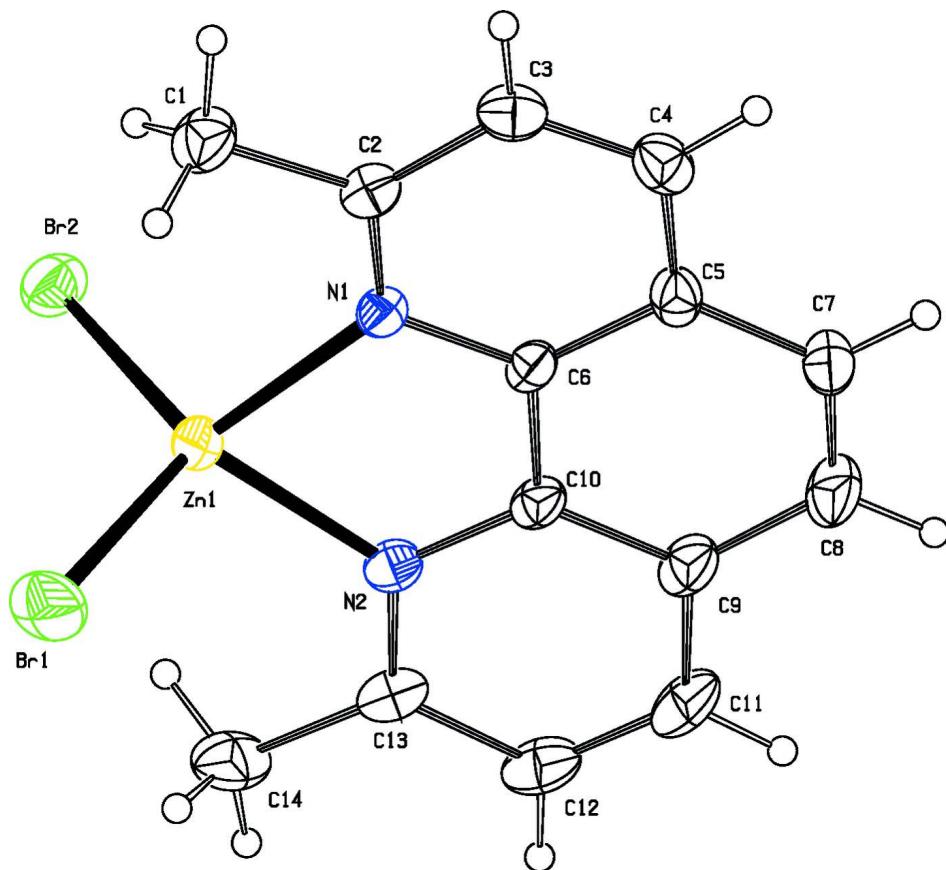
ZnBr<sub>2</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O (0.22 g, 1 mmol) and 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline (0.21, 1 mmol) were loaded in a convection tube; the tube was filled with methanol and kept at 333 K. Colorless crystals were collected from the side arm after several days(m.p. > 543 K).

### Refinement

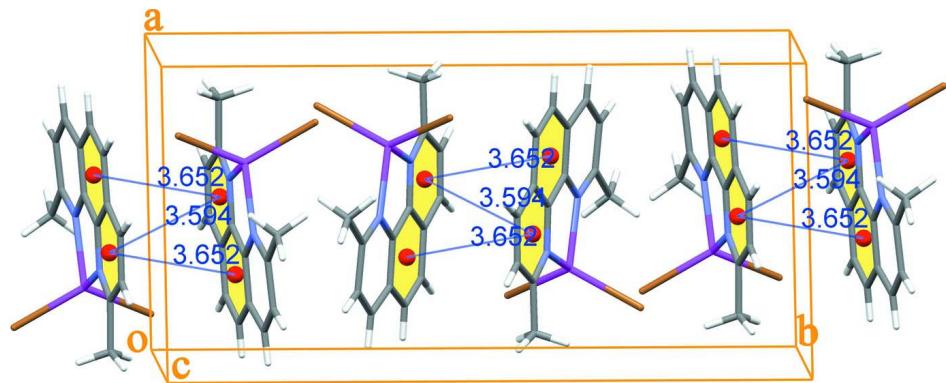
The C—H protons were positioned geometrically and refined as riding atoms with C—H = 0.93 Å and *U*<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 1.2 *U*<sub>eq</sub>(C) for aromatic C—H groups, C—H = 0.96 Å and *U*<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 1.5 *U*<sub>eq</sub>(C) for methyl groups.

### Computing details

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**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title compound, ellipsoids drawn at 30% probability level.

**Figure 2**

The packing diagram of the title compound showing  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking between adjacent 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline ligands.

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Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å  
Cell parameters from 4014 reflections  
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Block, colorless  
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diffractometer  
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Graphite monochromator  
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rotation method scans  
Absorption correction: numerical  
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 $\theta_{\max} = 29.2^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 2.2^\circ$   
 $h = -12 \rightarrow 12$   
 $k = -23 \rightarrow 25$   
 $l = -12 \rightarrow 12$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.100$   
 $S = 0.95$   
4014 reflections  
174 parameters  
0 restraints  
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map  
Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[c^2(F_o^2) + (0.0423P)^2]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.40 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.67 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

#### Special details

**Geometry.** All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

**Refinement.** Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted  $R$ -factor  $wR$  and goodness of fit  $S$  are based on  $F^2$ , conventional  $R$ -factors  $R$  are based on  $F$ , with  $F$  set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  is used only for calculating  $R$ -factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement.  $R$ -factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on  $F$ , and  $R$ -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

#### Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Zn1	0.66996 (6)	0.13233 (3)	0.75289 (6)	0.03618 (15)
Br1	0.79790 (8)	0.24221 (4)	0.77098 (8)	0.0667 (2)
Br2	0.74325 (7)	0.03299 (3)	0.63755 (6)	0.05122 (17)
N1	0.6409 (4)	0.1030 (2)	0.9541 (4)	0.0317 (8)
N2	0.4348 (4)	0.1459 (2)	0.6749 (4)	0.0349 (9)
C1	0.9118 (6)	0.0852 (3)	1.1082 (6)	0.0514 (14)
H1A	0.9226	0.0590	1.0240	0.077*
H1B	0.9740	0.0627	1.2047	0.077*
H1C	0.9447	0.1345	1.1074	0.077*

C2	0.7466 (5)	0.0842 (3)	1.0900 (5)	0.0359 (10)
C3	0.7030 (6)	0.0634 (3)	1.2131 (5)	0.0429 (12)
H3	0.7775	0.0492	1.3077	0.051*
C4	0.5507 (6)	0.0641 (3)	1.1932 (6)	0.0434 (12)
H4	0.5217	0.0492	1.2733	0.052*
C5	0.4398 (6)	0.0872 (3)	1.0528 (5)	0.0376 (11)
C6	0.4904 (5)	0.1057 (2)	0.9352 (5)	0.0318 (10)
C7	0.2784 (7)	0.0920 (3)	1.0226 (7)	0.0479 (13)
H7	0.2437	0.0787	1.0996	0.058*
C8	0.1774 (6)	0.1151 (3)	0.8858 (7)	0.0561 (15)
H8	0.0740	0.1188	0.8706	0.067*
C9	0.2244 (6)	0.1343 (3)	0.7625 (6)	0.0442 (12)
C10	0.3796 (5)	0.1290 (3)	0.7864 (5)	0.0346 (10)
C11	0.1239 (6)	0.1607 (3)	0.6167 (7)	0.0557 (14)
H11	0.0195	0.1660	0.5956	0.067*
C12	0.1803 (6)	0.1781 (3)	0.5082 (6)	0.0549 (14)
H12	0.1140	0.1956	0.4124	0.066*
C13	0.3386 (6)	0.1702 (3)	0.5378 (6)	0.0442 (12)
C14	0.4045 (7)	0.1888 (3)	0.4201 (6)	0.0588 (15)
H14A	0.4686	0.2310	0.4535	0.088*
H14B	0.3224	0.1985	0.3222	0.088*
H14C	0.4648	0.1488	0.4089	0.088*

*Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Zn1	0.0290 (3)	0.0397 (3)	0.0402 (3)	0.0015 (3)	0.0137 (2)	0.0058 (2)
Br1	0.0542 (4)	0.0502 (4)	0.0879 (5)	-0.0154 (3)	0.0186 (3)	0.0098 (3)
Br2	0.0539 (4)	0.0554 (4)	0.0464 (3)	0.0142 (3)	0.0216 (3)	0.0027 (3)
N1	0.028 (2)	0.032 (2)	0.035 (2)	0.0023 (17)	0.0115 (17)	0.0016 (16)
N2	0.032 (2)	0.035 (2)	0.0329 (19)	0.0022 (18)	0.0073 (16)	-0.0006 (17)
C1	0.037 (3)	0.062 (4)	0.050 (3)	0.005 (3)	0.011 (3)	0.003 (3)
C2	0.033 (3)	0.034 (3)	0.035 (2)	0.001 (2)	0.007 (2)	-0.0042 (19)
C3	0.049 (3)	0.041 (3)	0.033 (2)	0.002 (3)	0.008 (2)	0.000 (2)
C4	0.056 (3)	0.041 (3)	0.039 (3)	-0.002 (3)	0.024 (3)	0.000 (2)
C5	0.039 (3)	0.032 (3)	0.047 (3)	-0.005 (2)	0.023 (2)	-0.005 (2)
C6	0.025 (2)	0.027 (2)	0.042 (2)	0.0005 (19)	0.012 (2)	-0.0028 (19)
C7	0.046 (3)	0.046 (3)	0.064 (3)	0.000 (3)	0.034 (3)	0.004 (3)
C8	0.030 (3)	0.061 (4)	0.080 (4)	-0.004 (3)	0.024 (3)	0.002 (3)
C9	0.028 (2)	0.045 (3)	0.056 (3)	0.001 (2)	0.011 (2)	-0.002 (3)
C10	0.024 (2)	0.031 (3)	0.044 (2)	0.000 (2)	0.0077 (19)	-0.001 (2)
C11	0.025 (3)	0.065 (4)	0.066 (4)	0.011 (3)	0.004 (2)	-0.002 (3)
C12	0.039 (3)	0.058 (4)	0.047 (3)	0.012 (3)	-0.006 (2)	0.007 (3)
C13	0.043 (3)	0.037 (3)	0.044 (3)	0.010 (2)	0.007 (2)	-0.001 (2)
C14	0.066 (4)	0.061 (4)	0.039 (3)	0.013 (3)	0.010 (3)	0.013 (3)

*Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )*

Zn1—N2	2.062 (4)	C5—C6	1.396 (6)
Zn1—N1	2.071 (3)	C5—C7	1.437 (7)

Zn1—Br1	2.3281 (9)	C6—C10	1.445 (7)
Zn1—Br2	2.3572 (8)	C7—C8	1.336 (8)
N1—C2	1.322 (6)	C7—H7	0.9300
N1—C6	1.360 (6)	C8—C9	1.427 (7)
N2—C13	1.329 (6)	C8—H8	0.9300
N2—C10	1.366 (5)	C9—C10	1.394 (7)
C1—C2	1.498 (7)	C9—C11	1.412 (8)
C1—H1A	0.9600	C11—C12	1.351 (7)
C1—H1B	0.9600	C11—H11	0.9300
C1—H1C	0.9600	C12—C13	1.414 (7)
C2—C3	1.414 (6)	C12—H12	0.9300
C3—C4	1.372 (7)	C13—C14	1.494 (7)
C3—H3	0.9300	C14—H14A	0.9600
C4—C5	1.392 (7)	C14—H14B	0.9600
C4—H4	0.9300	C14—H14C	0.9600
N2—Zn1—N1	81.63 (14)	N1—C6—C5	122.8 (4)
N2—Zn1—Br1	112.03 (11)	N1—C6—C10	117.8 (4)
N1—Zn1—Br1	113.94 (11)	C5—C6—C10	119.4 (4)
N2—Zn1—Br2	113.29 (11)	C8—C7—C5	121.2 (4)
N1—Zn1—Br2	112.05 (11)	C8—C7—H7	119.4
Br1—Zn1—Br2	118.32 (3)	C5—C7—H7	119.4
C2—N1—C6	119.7 (4)	C7—C8—C9	121.5 (5)
C2—N1—Zn1	128.7 (3)	C7—C8—H8	119.2
C6—N1—Zn1	111.5 (3)	C9—C8—H8	119.2
C13—N2—C10	119.5 (4)	C10—C9—C11	116.8 (4)
C13—N2—Zn1	128.5 (3)	C10—C9—C8	118.9 (5)
C10—N2—Zn1	112.0 (3)	C11—C9—C8	124.2 (5)
C2—C1—H1A	109.5	N2—C10—C9	123.0 (4)
C2—C1—H1B	109.5	N2—C10—C6	117.1 (4)
H1A—C1—H1B	109.5	C9—C10—C6	119.9 (4)
C2—C1—H1C	109.5	C12—C11—C9	119.6 (5)
H1A—C1—H1C	109.5	C12—C11—H11	120.2
H1B—C1—H1C	109.5	C9—C11—H11	120.2
N1—C2—C3	120.3 (4)	C11—C12—C13	121.1 (5)
N1—C2—C1	118.1 (4)	C11—C12—H12	119.5
C3—C2—C1	121.6 (4)	C13—C12—H12	119.5
C4—C3—C2	120.1 (5)	N2—C13—C12	120.0 (5)
C4—C3—H3	120.0	N2—C13—C14	117.6 (5)
C2—C3—H3	120.0	C12—C13—C14	122.4 (5)
C3—C4—C5	119.8 (4)	C13—C14—H14A	109.5
C3—C4—H4	120.1	C13—C14—H14B	109.5
C5—C4—H4	120.1	H14A—C14—H14B	109.5
C4—C5—C6	117.1 (4)	C13—C14—H14C	109.5
C4—C5—C7	123.9 (4)	H14A—C14—H14C	109.5
C6—C5—C7	119.0 (5)	H14B—C14—H14C	109.5
N2—Zn1—N1—C2	-177.9 (4)	C7—C5—C6—C10	-0.1 (7)
Br1—Zn1—N1—C2	-67.4 (4)	C4—C5—C7—C8	179.4 (5)

Br2—Zn1—N1—C2	70.3 (4)	C6—C5—C7—C8	-1.5 (8)
N2—Zn1—N1—C6	1.1 (3)	C5—C7—C8—C9	1.7 (9)
Br1—Zn1—N1—C6	111.6 (3)	C7—C8—C9—C10	-0.3 (9)
Br2—Zn1—N1—C6	-110.7 (3)	C7—C8—C9—C11	-178.5 (6)
N1—Zn1—N2—C13	176.8 (4)	C13—N2—C10—C9	1.5 (7)
Br1—Zn1—N2—C13	64.3 (4)	Zn1—N2—C10—C9	179.4 (4)
Br2—Zn1—N2—C13	-72.7 (4)	C13—N2—C10—C6	-177.5 (4)
N1—Zn1—N2—C10	-0.8 (3)	Zn1—N2—C10—C6	0.4 (5)
Br1—Zn1—N2—C10	-113.3 (3)	C11—C9—C10—N2	-1.9 (8)
Br2—Zn1—N2—C10	109.7 (3)	C8—C9—C10—N2	179.8 (5)
C6—N1—C2—C3	3.3 (7)	C11—C9—C10—C6	177.1 (5)
Zn1—N1—C2—C3	-177.8 (3)	C8—C9—C10—C6	-1.3 (8)
C6—N1—C2—C1	-177.3 (4)	N1—C6—C10—N2	0.6 (6)
Zn1—N1—C2—C1	1.7 (7)	C5—C6—C10—N2	-179.5 (4)
N1—C2—C3—C4	-1.5 (7)	N1—C6—C10—C9	-178.4 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	179.1 (5)	C5—C6—C10—C9	1.4 (7)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-1.7 (8)	C10—C9—C11—C12	1.0 (8)
C3—C4—C5—C6	2.8 (7)	C8—C9—C11—C12	179.2 (6)
C3—C4—C5—C7	-178.0 (5)	C9—C11—C12—C13	0.2 (9)
C2—N1—C6—C5	-2.0 (7)	C10—N2—C13—C12	-0.2 (7)
Zn1—N1—C6—C5	178.9 (4)	Zn1—N2—C13—C12	-177.7 (4)
C2—N1—C6—C10	177.8 (4)	C10—N2—C13—C14	179.4 (4)
Zn1—N1—C6—C10	-1.3 (5)	Zn1—N2—C13—C14	1.9 (7)
C4—C5—C6—N1	-1.1 (7)	C11—C12—C13—N2	-0.7 (9)
C7—C5—C6—N1	179.8 (5)	C11—C12—C13—C14	179.8 (6)
C4—C5—C6—C10	179.1 (4)		