

The Crystal Structures of Semicarbazide Complexes of Copper(II) and Zinc Chlorides

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Crystals of $\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$ and $\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$ belong to the same space group $P2_1/c$, but are not isostructural. The two structures were solved and refined by means of three-dimensional Fourier methods. Coordination in both compounds is octahedral, semicarbazide acting as a bidentate ligand through oxygen and hydrazinic nitrogen. The semicarbazide molecule is planar and there are no significant differences in the bond distances between metal-coordinated semicarbazide and semicarbazide hydrochloride. Packing and possible hydrogen bonding are discussed.

Introduction

The X-ray structural analysis of bis-semicarbazide-copper(II) chloride and bis-semicarbazide-zinc chloride was undertaken in this laboratory as part of a programme concerning the coordination by divalent metal atoms of organic molecules containing oxygen.

The present study shows that coordination in these two complexes does not lead to significant differences in the bond distances of the organic molecule in comparison with semicarbazide hydrochloride. A similar conclusion was noted previously for biuret in potassium bis-biuret-cuprate(II) tetrahydrate (Freeman, Smith & Taylor, 1961) and in bis-biuret-zinc chloride (Nardelli, Fava & Giraldi, 1963).

Experimental

Crystals of bis-semicarbazide-copper(II) chloride and bis-semicarbazide-zinc chloride were obtained by slow evaporation of aqueous chloride solutions containing an excess of semicarbazide hydrochloride. When excess of metal chloride is employed, the monosemicarbazide complexes, $\text{M}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]\text{Cl}_2$ ($\text{M}=\text{Cu}, \text{Zn}$) are formed.

Crystal data

$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$. $M=284.6$. Blue thick plates, optically biaxial. Monoclinic. Rotation axis for photographs: [001].
 $a=7.56 \pm 0.01$, $b=9.26 \pm 0.01$, $c=6.88 \pm 0.01 \text{ \AA}$; $\beta=102.2 \pm 0.2^\circ$,
 $V=471 \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z=2$, $D_x=2.01$, $D_m=2.16 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$ (flootation),
 $\mu=84.1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (Cu $K\alpha$), $F(000)=286$.
Space group $P2_1/c$ (from systematic absences).

$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$. $M=286.4$. Colourless thin pseudo-hexagonal laminae, optically biaxial. Monoclinic. Rotation axes for photographs: [100] and [010].

$a=5.13 \pm 0.01$, $b=7.13 \pm 0.01$, $c=13.26 \pm 0.01 \text{ \AA}$; $\beta=109.7 \pm 0.1^\circ$,
 $V=457 \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z=2$, $D_x=2.08$, $D_m=2.10 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$ (flootation),
 $\mu=91.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (Cu $K\alpha$), $F(000)=288$.
Space group $P2_1/c$ (from systematic absences).

$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]\text{Cl}_2$. $M=209.5$. Blue, pleochroic, thick short prisms, optically biaxial. Orthorhombic. Observed forms: {010}, {011}, {302}.
Rotation axis for photographs: [100].
 $a=6.9$, $b=10.2$, $c=8.26 \text{ \AA}$,
 $V=582 \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z=4$, $D_x=2.39$, $D_m=2.39 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$ (flootation).
Space groups $Pnma$ (D_{2h}^{16}), $Pn2_1a$ (C_{2h}^9) (from systematic absences).

$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]\text{Cl}_2$. $M=211.4$. Colourless tabular prisms, optically biaxial. Monoclinic. Rotation axes for photographs: [010], [100].
 $a=12.7$, $b=7.4$, $c=14.95 \text{ \AA}$, $\beta=110.3^\circ$,
 $V=1331 \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z=8$, $D_x=2.11$, $D_m=2.10 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$ (flootation).
Space group $P2_1/c$ (C_{2h}^5) (from systematic absences).

Crystal data were obtained by the standard methods using the axial reflexions in equatorial Weissenberg photographs. In the case of the first compound the $h0l$ precession photograph too was used. No particular corrections were applied.

The standard deviations were estimated on the measured values by the usual formulae.

Determination of structure factors

For the copper compound the intensities of $hk0$, $hk1$, ..., $hk5$ reflexions were collected from integrated and non-integrated Weissenberg photographs (Cu $K\alpha$). 662 independent reflexions were observed out of the 831 possible reflexions. No absorption correction was made (cross-section nearly rectangular: $0.02 \text{ cm} \times 0.05 \text{ cm}$); the absolute scale for each layer was established

Table 1. Final atomic coordinates and their e.s.d.'s with ratios (e.s.d.)/(coordinate shift)

The transformation matrix from monoclinic x, y, z to orthogonal x', y', z' coordinates is:

	x/a	y/b	z/c	$x'(\text{\AA})$	$y'(\text{\AA})$	$z'(\text{\AA})$	$\underbrace{\sigma(x') \quad \sigma(y') \quad \sigma(z')}_{\times 10^3(\text{\AA})}$	$ r(x) $	$ r(y) $	$ r(z) $
$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$										
Cu	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cl	0.2721	0.0710	0.3397	1.563	0.657	2.284	4	3	4	∞
O	-0.1408	0.1678	0.0557	-1.145	1.554	0.375	10	8	11	4
N(1)	-0.3933	0.2220	0.1604	-3.204	2.055	1.078	16	11	17	19
N(2)	-0.2811	-0.0050	0.2044	-2.420	-0.046	1.374	14	11	16	17
N(3)	-0.1278	-0.0981	0.1873	-1.237	-0.908	1.259	13	9	13	16
C	-0.2643	0.1332	0.1378	-2.197	1.233	0.927	15	11	16	18
$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$										
Zn	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—
Cl	0.3554	0.1995	0.1464	1.169	1.423	1.827	4	4	4	8
O	-0.0980	-0.1591	0.1123	-1.005	-1.135	1.401	11	9	9	7
N(1)	-0.0491	-0.4497	0.1818	-1.065	-3.208	2.269	17	14	13	34
N(2)	0.2140	-0.3544	0.0838	0.723	-2.528	1.046	13	11	11	13
N(3)	0.2860	-0.2142	0.0224	1.367	-1.528	0.280	12	11	11	12
C	0.0163	-0.3133	0.1265	-0.482	-2.235	1.579	16	11	10	32

first by Wilson's method, then by comparison with the calculated values.

For the zinc compound the intensities of $h0l$, $h1l$, ..., $h6l$ and $0kl$, $1kl$, ..., $4kl$ were collected from integrated and non-integrated Weissenberg photographs ($\text{Cu } K\alpha$). 892 (possible 987) independent reflexions were observed. Discontinuous absorption effects were corrected graphically by Albrecht's (1939) method. The cross-section of the sample used to take the first series of photographs was a parallelogram with sides 0.017 cm and 0.014 cm long. The sample used to collect the second series of data was pentagonal in section, its longest diagonal being 0.06 cm.

The intensities from different layers were put on the same scale by cross-correlation (Dickerson, 1959), the absolute scale being established first by Wilson's method.

For both compounds the correction for the shape of the spots of non-equatorial layers was made following Phillips (1956).

Structure analysis and refinement

The steps in solving and refining the structures of both compounds were:

- (i) $P(U, V, W)$ Patterson synthesis,
- (ii) Two cycles of three-dimensional Fourier synthesis,
- (iii) Four cycles of three-dimensional ($F_o - F_c$) synthesis,
- (iv) One isotropic cycle of Booth's differential synthesis,
- (v) Four anisotropic cycles of Booth's differential synthesis for the zinc complex, and seven anisotropic cycles for the copper complex.

The final coordinates with their e.s.d.'s (Cruicks-hank, 1949) and ratios (e.s.d.)/(shift) are listed in Table 1. The anisotropic thermal parameters, determined fol-

lowing Nardelli & Fava (1960), are reported in Table 2. In the case of the copper complex, they must be considered only as additional parameters for improving the agreement between the observed and calculated quantities, correlation of the different layers being neglected.

Table 2. Thermal parameters (\AA^2)

	B_{11}	B_{22}	B_{33}	B_{12}	B_{13}	B_{23}
$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$						
Cu	4.11	2.84	6.56	0.38	2.07	0.65
Cl	3.24	2.44	4.26	0.06	0.45	0.03
O	3.96	2.13	4.65	0.24	1.07	0.87
N(1)	3.89	3.51	5.76	0.84	1.59	-0.50
N(2)	2.01	2.67	5.75	0.17	2.36	0.10
N(3)	2.64	2.58	5.15	0.48	1.67	0.16
C	3.33	1.96	4.09	-0.45	1.49	0.05
$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$						
Zn	4.85	3.61	6.39	1.26	3.09	1.64
Cl	3.27	3.23	4.10	0.18	1.24	0.28
O	3.43	2.71	4.23	0.37	1.90	0.47
N(1)	4.39	2.99	4.38	-0.37	1.34	0.44
N(2)	3.02	2.24	4.22	0.61	1.09	0.84
N(3)	3.13	2.45	4.42	0.26	1.57	0.90
C	3.95	2.25	2.66	-0.39	0.80	-0.32

The final R (for observed reflexions only) and R' (including $F_o = \frac{1}{2}F_{\min}$ for unobserved reflexions when $F_c \geq F_{\min}$), with e.s.d.'s of the first derivatives of the electron density, are:

$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$	$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$
$R = 13.2\%$	$R = 15.2\%$
$R' = 17.3\%$	$R' = 15.8\%$
$\sigma(A_h) = 0.9 \text{ e.}\text{\AA}^{-4}$	$\sigma(A_h) = 1.1 \text{ e.}\text{\AA}^{-4}$
$\sigma(A_k) = 0.9$	$\sigma(A_k) = 1.1$
$\sigma(A_l) = 0.7$	$\sigma(A_l) = 0.8$

The observed and calculated values of the electron density and the second derivatives at the atomic peaks are compared in Table 3, in which the corresponding e.s.d.'s are quoted too.

The better general agreement observed for the copper complex is only apparent, being due to the scaling done for each layer separately. The two structures must be considered of about the same degree of refinement.

The F_c values reported in Table 4 are calculated with the final parameters of Tables 1 and 2, using the atomic scattering factors of Thomas & Umeda (1957) for Cu^{2+} and Zn^{2+} , of Berghuis, Haanappel, Potters, Loopstra, MacGillavry & Veenendaal (1955) for Cl^- , O, N and C.

Discussion

In both compounds each metal atom is surrounded by a *trans*-planar arrangement of two O and two N atoms lying at the corners of a distorted square. Semicarbazide acts as a bidentate ligand through O and hydrazinic N. The coordination is completed by two chlorine atoms which are on opposite sides of the square, so that the whole polyhedron can be described as an octahedron distorted to a bipyramid.

The molecular complexes are very similar, and yet the crystals are not isostructural. Figs. 1 and 2, which are diagrammatic projections of the structures on planes perpendicular to [100], show clearly the different packing of the molecular complexes.

Distances and angles in the coordination polyhedra are as follows:

	$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2\text{Cl}_2]$	$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2\text{Cl}_2]$
M-Cl	$2.845 \pm 0.005 \text{ \AA}$	$2.594 \pm 0.004 \text{ \AA}$
M-O	1.97 ± 0.01	2.06 ± 0.01
M-N(3)	1.99 ± 0.01	2.07 ± 0.01
O-M-N(3)	$83.0 \pm 0.4^\circ$	$79.9 \pm 0.4^\circ$
Cl-M-O	89.1 ± 0.3	92.5 ± 0.3
Cl-M-N(3)	86.5 ± 0.4	90.8 ± 0.3

The standard deviations are calculated from the formulae of Darlow & Cochran (1961) for bond lengths and of Darlow (1960) for angles.

Distances in the coordination polyhedra agree well with those found in other copper(II) and zinc compounds with similar coordination.

The M-O and M-N(3) distances are equal in each compound, but significantly shorter in the copper complex [$t_o = (l_1 - l_2)/(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)^{1/2} = 6.3 > 3.3$ for M-O; $t_o = 4.2 > 3.3$ for M-N(3); significance test of Cruickshank & Robertson, 1953].

The ratio M-Cl/M-O = 1.44 for the copper complex is much larger than the same ratio (1.26) for the zinc complex, as a consequence of the Jahn-Teller effect in Cu^{2+} .

The comparison of distances and angles in semicarbazide coordinated by Cu^{2+} and Zn^{2+} with those found in semicarbazide hydrochloride (Nardelli, Fava & Gir-

Table 3. Atomic peak heights (e. \AA^{-3}), curvatures (e. \AA^{-5}) and e.s.d.'s

	Q	$-A_{hh}$	$-A_{kk}$	$-A_{ll}$	A_{hk}	A_{hl}	A_{kl}
$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2\text{Cl}_2]$							
Cu	obs.	45.8	381	511	261	-7	52
	calc.	46.6	387	512	266	-7	52
Cl	obs.	28.4	252	323	169	-15	7
	calc.	28.7	254	323	173	-15	9
O	obs.	11.6	100	119	65	-3	11
	calc.	11.7	102	119	68	-3	12
N(1)	obs.	7.5	66	79	40	2	5
	calc.	7.6	65	79	42	1	4
N(2)	obs.	9.1	73	83	42	7	9
	calc.	9.1	71	82	42	7	8
N(3)	obs.	9.1	78	102	54	-3	10
	calc.	9.3	79	102	55	-3	10
C	obs.	8.1	68	82	42	-5	5
	calc.	8.2	69	83	44	-5	5
	e.s.d.	0.3	5	4	3	3	2
$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2\text{Cl}_2]$							
Zn	obs.	53.5	530	549	466	35	218
	calc.	55.4	523	544	461	30	207
Cl	obs.	31.9	317	321	298	5	102
	calc.	32.7	316	316	296	4	100
O	obs.	12.8	114	119	112	-1	46
	calc.	13.1	114	120	112	-2	45
N(1)	obs.	9.2	75	81	75	0	28
	calc.	9.4	74	80	73	0	26
N(2)	obs.	11.0	98	107	89	11	28
	calc.	11.2	98	107	88	11	27
N(3)	obs.	10.9	106	103	92	7	37
	calc.	11.0	106	102	91	7	36
C	obs.	10.0	81	106	98	3	24
	calc.	10.0	79	106	96	3	23
	e.s.d.	0.4	5	5	4	3	2

Table 4(a). Observed and calculated structure factors for Cu[OC(NH₂)NHNH₂]₂Cl₂A minus sign after an F_o means 'less than'.

h	k	l	$10F_o$	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$10F_o$	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$10F_o$	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$10F_o$	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$10F_o$	$10F_c$
1	0	0	376	522	4	1	1	155	180	1	4	1	69	76	4	4	2	232	222	8	5	2	16-	27
2	0	0	437	-444	5	1	1	80	85	1	4	1	36	56	5	4	2	109	93	0	7	2	42-	-51
3	0	0	474	445	5	1	1	350	379	2	4	1	84	81	5	4	2	187	204	1	7	2	42-	-53
4	0	0	479	394	6	1	1	183	181	2	4	1	566	416	6	4	2	170	133	1	7	2	130-	-112
5	0	0	59	-48	6	1	1	216	249	3	4	1	413	-352	4	2	2	68	76	2	7	2	47-	-31
6	0	0	40-	-22	7	1	1	120	96	3	4	1	72	84	7	4	2	92	65	2	7	2	24-	-24
7	0	0	356	379	7	1	1	81	121	4	4	1	125-	-161	7	4	2	58	62	3	7	2	39	39
8	0	0	271	208	8	1	1	47	39	4	4	1	263	-370	8	4	2	39	33	3	7	2	97	87
9	0	0	102	-67	8	1	1	52	105	5	4	1	183	196	8	4	2	18-	-99	4	7	2	47	38
0	2	0	634	801	9	1	1	72	58	5	4	1	42	-48	0	6	2	363	381	4	7	2	91	71
1	2	0	534	509	9	1	1	18-	83	6	4	1	64	42	1	6	2	138	129	5	7	2	20-	-3
2	2	0	87	-45	0	3	1	46	59	6	4	1	94	99	1	6	2	429	434	5	7	2	22-	-28
3	2	0	498	505	1	3	1	110	152	7	4	1	80	-70	2	6	2	199	203	6	7	2	56-	-32
4	2	0	582	605	1	3	1	527	453	7	4	1	39	-26	6	2	2	108	101	6	7	2	19-	-25
5	2	0	37-	-18	2	3	1	415	369	8	4	1	17-	6	2	2	181	183	7	7	2	15-	-28	
6	2	0	102	64	2	3	1	650	535	8	4	1	21-	-21	6	2	2	23	36	0	9	2	164-	-156
7	2	0	241	215	3	3	1	379	314	0	6	1	130-	-148	4	6	2	29	22	1	9	2	64-	-58
8	2	0	119	92	3	3	1	583	521	1	6	1	72	57	4	6	2	164	159	1	9	2	47	56
9	2	0	25-	-4	4	3	1	379	330	1	6	1	30-	-32	5	6	2	22-	-11	2	9	2	97	96
0	4	0	196	224	3	3	1	189	282	2	6	1	23-	-5	6	2	2	190	187	2	9	2	135	128
1	4	0	103	144	5	3	1	175	195	2	6	1	34	40	6	2	2	119	96	3	9	2	23-	-24
2	4	0	354	420	3	3	1	195	202	3	6	1	25-	2	6	2	80	79	3	9	2	58-	-68	
3	4	0	370	441	6	3	1	144	129	3	6	1	24-	-25	7	6	2	152	121	4	9	2	101	-102
4	4	0	202	235	6	3	1	132	160	4	6	1	26-	15	7	6	2	64	59	4	9	2	68	-57
5	4	0	248	239	7	3	1	72	70	4	6	1	42	51	7	6	2	99	128	2	9	2	21	23
6	4	0	151	127	7	3	1	25-	21	5	6	1	26-	-6	8	2	160	148	5	9	2	67	78	
7	4	0	66	54	8	3	1	19-	16	5	6	1	26-	15	1	8	2	24	34	6	9	2	32	28
8	4	0	41	24	3	3	1	34	50	6	6	1	24-	-2	1	8	2	238	217	0	11	2	82	-78
0	6	0	129	130	9	3	1	151	91	6	6	1	30	-39	2	8	2	115	103	1	11	2	16	-29
1	6	0	264	323	0	5	1	605	480	7	6	1	58-	-51	8	2	2	135	136	1	11	2	74	73
2	6	0	286	342	1	5	1	535	464	7	6	1	21-	-10	3	8	2	185	185	2	11	2	64	-60
3	6	0	119	116	1	5	1	36	45	8	6	1	28-	-31	8	2	101	103	1	11	2	68	-73	
4	6	0	72	93	2	5	1	21-	15	4	8	1	36	-28	8	2	108	92	3	11	2	56-	-68	
5	6	0	170	175	3	5	1	506	391	0	8	1	80	-85	4	8	2	194	185	0	1	3	363	393
6	6	0	213	181	5	1	81	100	1	8	1	98	-95	5	8	2	33	24	1	1	3	145	181	
7	6	0	56	50	3	5	1	527	446	2	8	1	36	-38	5	8	2	130	138	1	1	3	351	337
8	6	0	33	10	4	5	1	199	268	2	8	1	130-	-142	6	8	2	91	68	2	1	3	103	111
0	8	0	63	73	8	5	1	136	150	3	8	1	102	-99	8	2	16-	19	19	2	1	3	85	105
1	8	0	160	163	5	5	1	177	204	3	8	1	46	-45	8	2	50	38	3	1	3	271	285	
2	8	0	228	233	5	5	1	25-	26	4	8	1	30	-23	0	10	2	50	49	3	1	3	217	289
3	8	0	141	137	6	5	1	46	26	4	8	1	86	91	1	10	2	56	55	4	1	3	235	227
4	8	0	79	71	5	5	1	128	145	5	8	1	58-	-48	1	10	2	92	95	4	1	3	417	468
5	8	0	147	136	7	5	1	86	80	5	8	1	63	74	2	10	2	109	103	5	1	3	209	208
6	8	0	117	103	7	5	1	152	168	6	8	1	72	-59	2	10	2	101	87	5	1	3	233	222
0	10	0	123	112	8	5	1	102	116	6	8	1	19-	-7	3	10	2	124-	-120	6	1	3	120	111
1	10	0	123	118	8	5	1	18-	-7	7	8	1	13-	0	3	10	2	82	72	6	1	3	108	-95
2	10	0	132	128	0	7	1	463	386	0	10	1	80	80	4	10	2	82	68	7	1	3	108	-95
3	10	0	85	82	1	7	1	563	460	1	10	1	67	-72	4	10	2	112	113	7	1	3	31-	-126
4	10	0	54	49	1	7	1	26-	28	1	10	1	72	73	5	10	2	115	104	8	1	3	235	227
5	10	0	65	55	2	7	1	50-	-36	2	10	1	108	-126	0	1	2	149	-138	8	1	3	130	-126
1	1	0	79	114	2	7	1	92	74	1	12	0	67	-48	1	1	2	226	247	9	1	3	130	-126
2	1	0	103	-67	3	7	1	69	-74	1	12	0	74	-23	4	1	2	135	116	3	3	3	197	217
3	1	0	190	224	3	7	1	575	479	1	10	2	20-	-13	2	1	2	121	-115	4	3	3	242	242
4	1	0	137	-137	4	7	1	256	343	4	10	1	33	-11	3	12	3	287	-331	4	3	3	378	406
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6	1	0	110	-110	5	7	1	91	195	1	12	0	209	-197	6	12	3	23	-33	6	1	3	305	307
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6	3	0	146	133	2	9	1	25-	17	3	2	2	118-	21-	3	2	2	119	21	7	3	3	31-	12
7	3	0	132	104	2	9	1	120	124	5	0	2	335	337	9	1	2	59	-32	7	3	3	30-	80
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1	5	0	339	-413	4	9	1	153	185	6	0	2	440	533	1	3	2	169	179	0	5	3	69	67
2	5	0	88	-94	4	9	1	112	114	7	0	2	339	-328	1	3	2	339	-328	5	3	3	178	213
3	5	0	223	240	5	9	1	96	105	7	0	2	209	197	2	3	2	203	-224	1	5	3	335	325
4	5	0	116																					

Table 4(a) (cont.)

h	k	l	$10F_O$	$10F_C$	h	k	l	$10F_O$	$10F_C$	h	k	l	$10F_O$	$10F_C$	h	k	l	$10F_O$	$10F_C$	h	k	l	$10F_O$	$10F_C$
6	5	4	83	119	1	9	4	77	70	6	1	5	19-	-9	0	5	5	136	126	3	7	5	29	-30
7	5	4	25-	-5	2	9	4	43	-42	6	1	5	26-	-3	1	5	5	26-	-3	4	7	5	15-	-12
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1	7	4	19	3	9	4	80	-70	0	3	5	143	147	2	5	5	25-	-28	6	7	5	17-	-6	
-1	7	4	44	-34	4	9	4	35	58	1	3	5	124	144	3	5	5	104	140	0	9	5	91	100
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4	7	4	24-	-12	2	1	5	79	98	3	5	271	231	5	5	5	150	128	0	2	5	97	110	
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6	7	4	22-	-9	4	1	5	45	63	5	3	5	26-	-12	1	7	5	33	-37	2	2	5	111	-93
7	7	4	15-	11	4	1	5	22-	35	6	3	5	16-	18	1	7	5	192	171	2	5	5	47	47
0	9	4	68	67	5	1	5	74	86	3	5	25-	84	2	7	5	38	42	3	2	5	185	166	
1	9	4	74	-75	5	1	5	25-	31	3	5	24-	151	151	7	5	5	25-	-4	4	2	5	107	122
					8	3	5	19-	33	3	7	5	131	159	4	2	5	181	162	0	6	5	40	42

aldi, 1963), shows that the coordination makes no appreciable difference to the bond distances and angles (Table 5 and Fig. 3); the small difference observed for the C–N(2)–N(3) angle has only minor statistical significance.

However, the distortion from planarity observed in semicarbazide hydrochloride (N(3)) is 0.44 Å out of the plane of the other heavy atoms), is not present in the coordinated molecule (Table 6): semicarbazide is quite planar in the zinc complex, and only small deviations

from planarity (of minor statistical significance) are observed in the copper complex. This fact seems to confirm the hypothesis that the distortion observed in semicarbazide hydrochloride is due to the interactions with Cl⁻'s involving the –N(3)H₃⁺ group.

There are no variations in the intermolecular contacts O ··· N(3).

The planes of the semicarbazide molecules are slightly tilted with respect to the planes of coordination; the [MON(3)]–[ON(1)N(2)N(3)C] dihedral angles are

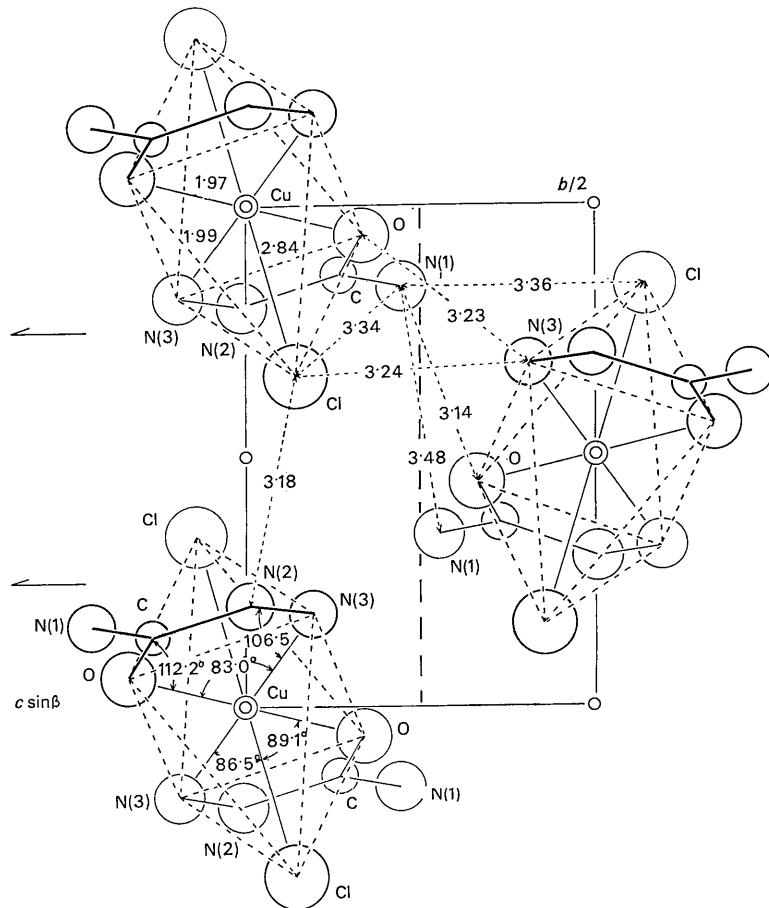


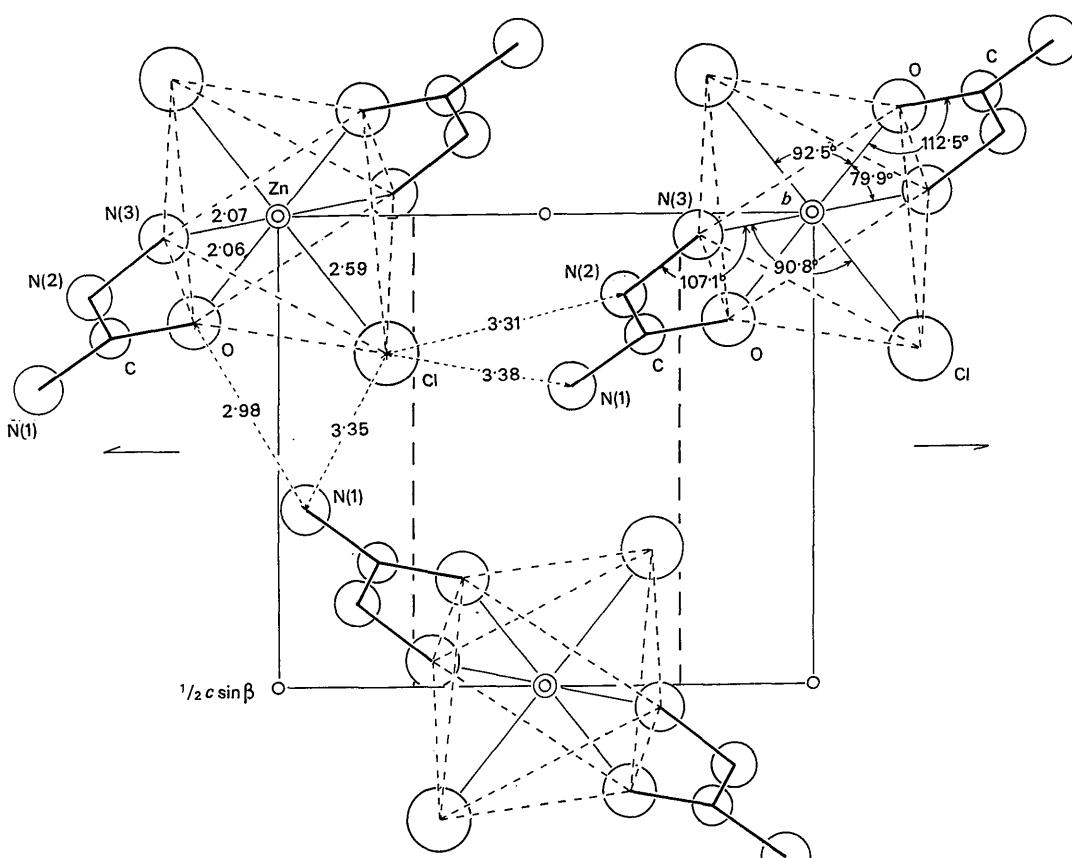
Fig. 1. Diagrammatic projection of the structure of Cu[OC(NH₂)NHNH₂]₂Cl₂ along [100].

Table 4(b). Observed and calculated structure factors for $\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$ A minus sign after an F_o means 'less than'.

h	k	l	$ 10F_o $	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$ 10F_o $	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$ 10F_o $	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$ 10F_o $	$10F_c$	h	k	l	$ 10F_o $	$10F_c$	
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4	0	0	96	48	2	4	4	88	95	3	6	8	169	164	3	5	0	20	-7	4	1	6	54	-56	
5	0	0	104	83	2	4	4	198	217	4	6	8	77	74	4	5	0	17	-4	4	1	6	103	-77	
6	0	0	88	69	3	4	4	37	40	0	0	10	63	46	5	5	0	31	-44	5	1	6	78	-73	
0	2	0	157	-257	3	4	4	152	158	1	0	10	231	181	1	7	0	113	-95	5	1	6	136	129	
1	2	0	589	652	4	4	4	50	52	0	10	10	416	357	2	7	0	28	6	0	3	6	140	-125	
2	2	0	404	521	4	4	4	195	201	2	0	10	137	114	3	7	0	93	-74	1	3	6	80	61	
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2	4	0	181	222	2	6	4	143	135	5	0	10	19-	-1	3	1	2	223	294	4	3	6	28	26	
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5	4	0	25	49	4	6	4	63	61	1	2	10	16-	15	4	1	2	224	182	6	3	6	16	-19	
6	0	0	299	348	0	8	4	196	162	2	2	10	19	4	4	1	2	141	140	0	5	6	67	67	
1	6	0	225	207	1	8	4	20	30	2	2	10	212	221	5	1	2	21	-23	1	5	6	52	72	
2	6	0	159	129	7	8	4	108	99	3	2	10	49	69	5	1	2	25-	-9	1	5	6	25	23	
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2	6	2	216	183	1	8	6	26	28	5	1	12	18	7	5	1	4	29	118	1	7	8	27	-31	
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Table 4(b) (cont.)

h	k	l	$ 10P_0 $	$10P_c$	h	k	l	$ 10P_0 $	$10P_c$	h	k	l	$ 10P_0 $	$10P_c$	h	k	l	$ 10P_0 $	$10P_c$	h	k	l	$ 10P_0 $	$10P_c$											
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Fig. 2. Diagrammatic projection of the structure of $\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$ along [100].

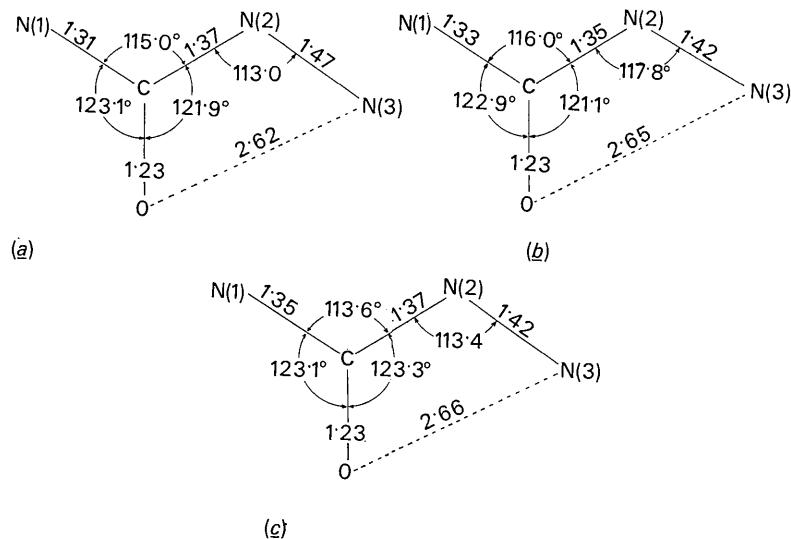


Fig. 3. Bond lengths and angles for semicarbazide in different compounds. (a) $\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$
 (b) $\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$ (c) $\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_3\text{Cl}$.

Table 5. Comparison of bondlengths and angles for semicarbazide molecule in metal complexes and in semicarbazide hydrochloride

	$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$ (I)	$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$ (II)	$(t_0)\text{I-II}$	(I-II) averaged*	$\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_3\text{Cl}$ (IV)	$(t_0)\text{III-IV}$
C-O	$1.23 \pm 0.02 \text{ \AA}$	$1.23 \pm 0.02 \text{ \AA}$	0.00	$1.23 \pm 0.01 \text{ \AA}$	$1.23 \pm 0.02 \text{ \AA}$	0.00
C-N(1)	1.31 ± 0.02	1.33 ± 0.02	0.71	1.32 ± 0.01	1.35 ± 0.02	1.34
C-N(2)	1.37 ± 0.02	1.35 ± 0.02	0.71	1.36 ± 0.01	1.37 ± 0.02	0.45
N(2)-N(3)	1.47 ± 0.02	1.42 ± 0.02	1.77	1.45 ± 0.01	1.42 ± 0.02	1.34
O ··· N(3)	2.62 ± 0.01	2.65 ± 0.02	1.34	2.63 ± 0.01	2.66 ± 0.02	1.34
O-C-N(1)	$123.1 \pm 1.2^\circ$	$122.9 \pm 1.5^\circ$	0.10	$123.1 \pm 0.9^\circ$	$123.1 \pm 1.5^\circ$	0.00
N(1)-C-N(2)	115.0 ± 1.4	116.0 ± 1.2	0.54	115.8 ± 0.9	113.6 ± 1.3	1.39
N(2)-C-O	121.9 ± 1.2	121.1 ± 1.1	0.49	121.6 ± 0.8	123.3 ± 1.4	1.05
C-N(2)-N(3)	113.0 ± 1.2	117.8 ± 1.0	3.07	115.9 ± 0.8	113.4 ± 1.2	1.74

* Averaging formula used: $(\Sigma l_i \sigma_i^{-2} / \Sigma \sigma_i^{-2}) \pm (\Sigma \sigma_i^{-2})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

Table 6. Analysis of the planarity in coordinated semicarbazide

Equation of the plane referred to orthogonal axes: $m_1x' + m_2y' + m_3z' = d$

		$\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$		$\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$	
best plane through		ON(1)N(2)N(3)C	ON(1)N(2)C	ON(1)N(2)N(3)C	ON(1)N(2)N(3)C
m_1		0.3565	0.3687	0.4459	
m_2		0.2875	0.2630	0.3369	
m_3		0.8890	0.8916	0.8292	
d		0.3874	0.3255	0.3325	
	$\sigma_{\perp}(\text{\AA})^*$	$\Delta(\text{\AA})$		$\Delta(\text{\AA})$	$\Delta(\text{\AA})$
O	0.010	-0.016	-1.60	-0.005	-0.50
N(1)	0.016	0.020	1.25	-0.005	-0.31
N(2)	0.016	-0.042	-2.63	-0.005	-0.31
N(3)	0.012	0.030	2.50	(0.102)	(8.50)
C	0.016	0.008	0.50	0.015	0.94
$\Sigma(\Delta/\sigma_{\perp})^2$		17.54		1.32	
$\chi^2_{95\%}$		5.99		3.84	

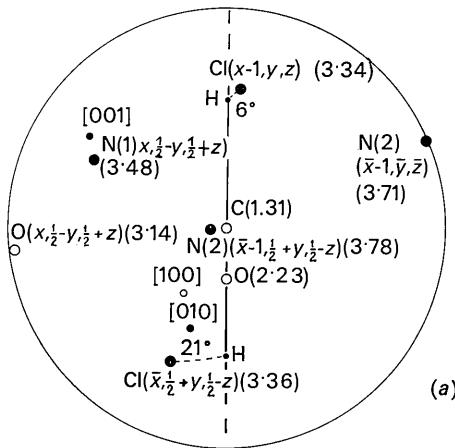
* $\sigma_{\perp} = \{\sum m_i^2 \sigma_i^2(x') + m_2^2 \sigma_i^2(y') + m_3^2 \sigma_i^2(z')\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$

164·5° and 168·0° for the copper and zinc complexes respectively.

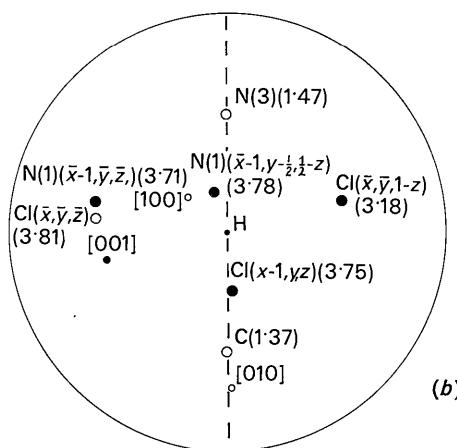
The possible orientation of N–H bonds is indicated in the stereographic projections of Figs. 4 and 5, which represent the environments of N atoms in the copper

and zinc complexes respectively. Of course, these environments are different, as the packing is different in the two compounds.

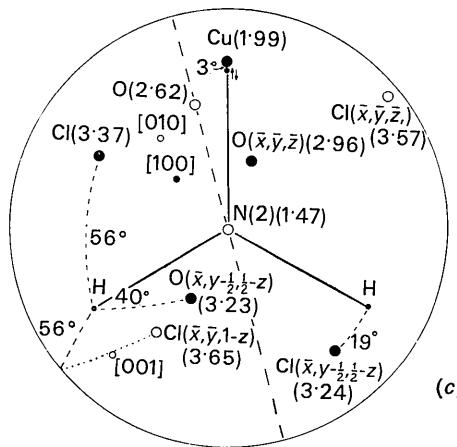
The following contacts can be considered as hydrogen bonds:



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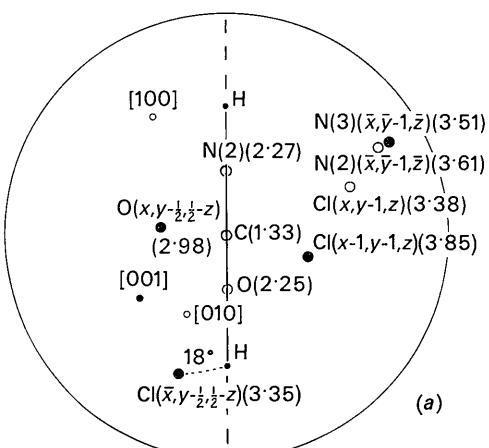


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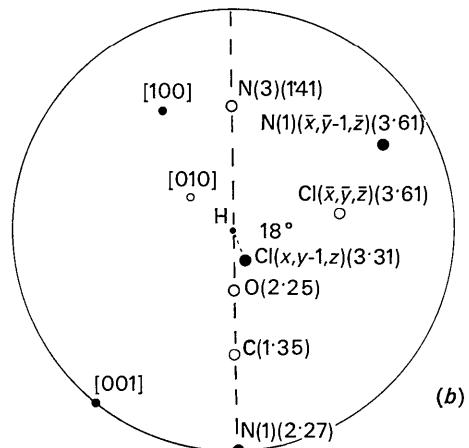


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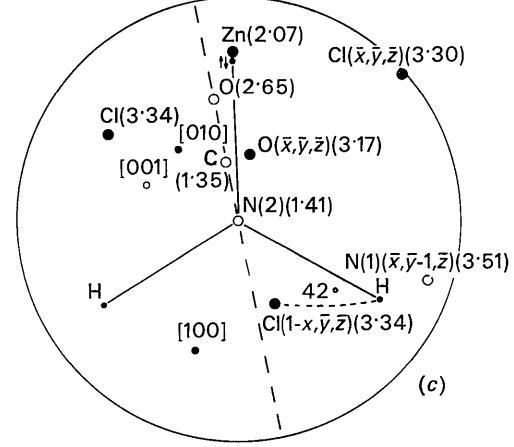
Fig. 4. $\text{Cu}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2\text{Cl}_2]$. Stereographic projection of the environment of (a) N(1), viewed down N(1)–C, (b) N(2), viewed down H–N(2), (c) N(3), viewed down N(3)–N(2).



(a)



(b)



(c)

Fig. 5. $\text{Zn}[\text{OC}(\text{NH}_2)\text{NHNH}_2]_2\text{Cl}_2$. Stereographic projection of the environment of (a) N(1), viewed down N(1)–C, (b) N(2), viewed down H–N(2), (c) N(3), viewed down N(3)–N(2),

For Cu[OC(NH₂)NHNH₂]₂Cl₂

N(1)-Cl($x-1, y, z$)	$3\cdot34 \pm 0\cdot02$ Å
N(1)-Cl($\bar{x}, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$)	$3\cdot36 \pm 0\cdot01$
N(3)-Cl($\bar{x}, y-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-z$)	$3\cdot24 \pm 0\cdot01$

For Zn[OC(NH₂)NHNH₂]₂Cl₂

N(1)-Cl($\bar{x}, y-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-z$)	$3\cdot35 \pm 0\cdot02$ Å
N(2)-Cl($x, y-1, z$)	$3\cdot31 \pm 0\cdot01$

The other packing contacts shorter than 3.5 Å are:

Cu[OC(NH ₂)NHNH ₂] ₂ Cl ₂	
Cl-O	$3\cdot43 \pm 0\cdot01$ Å
Cl-O($\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$)	$3\cdot48 \pm 0\cdot01$
Cl-N(2)($\bar{x}, \bar{y}, 1-z$)	$3\cdot18 \pm 0\cdot02$
Cl-N(3)	$3\cdot37 \pm 0\cdot01$
O-N(1)($x, \frac{1}{2}-y, z-\frac{1}{2}$)	$3\cdot14 \pm 0\cdot02$
O-N(3)($\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$)	$2\cdot96 \pm 0\cdot02$
O-N(3)($\bar{x}, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$)	$3\cdot23 \pm 0\cdot01$
N(1)-N(1)($x, \frac{1}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z$)	$3\cdot48 \pm 0\cdot03$
Zn[OC(NH ₂)NHNH ₂] ₂ Cl ₂	
Cl-O	$3\cdot38 \pm 0\cdot01$ Å
Cl-O($\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$)	$3\cdot25 \pm 0\cdot01$
Cl-N(1)($x, 1+y, z$)	$3\cdot38 \pm 0\cdot02$
Cl-N(3)	$3\cdot34 \pm 0\cdot01$
Cl-N(3)($\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$)	$3\cdot30 \pm 0\cdot01$

Cl-N(3)($1-x, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$)	$3\cdot34 \pm 0\cdot01$
O-N(1)($\bar{x}, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$)	$2\cdot98 \pm 0\cdot02$
O-N(3)($\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$)	$3\cdot17 \pm 0\cdot01$

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The Crystal and Molecular Structure of *cis,cis*-1, 2, 3, 4-Tetraphenylbutadiene

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The crystal structure of *cis,cis*-1,2,3,4-tetraphenylbutadiene has been determined by application of the symbolic addition procedure. The space group is $P2_1/c$ with cell dimensions: $a=5\cdot87$, $b=21\cdot31$, $c=8\cdot13$ Å, and $\beta=97^\circ 05'$. Since $Z=2$, the asymmetric unit is one-half the molecule. The butadiene chain is planar and the C-C distances show the typical effects of conjugation. One pair of phenyl rings forms an angle of 34° with the plane of the chain and the other pair of phenyl rings make an angle of 75° . The angle between the planes of the phenyl rings is 69° .

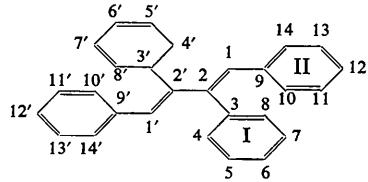
Introduction

Phenyl rings substituted on the same or adjacent atoms usually rotate about the connecting bonds so as to maximize the intramolecular distances between them. The present investigation on *cis,cis*-1,2,3,4-tetraphenylbutadiene,

at the extremes of the butadiene group where the effects of conjugation may tend to keep the rings coplanar with the chain. Since the diffraction data show that the molecule has a center of symmetry, the atoms have been numbered as shown above.

Experimental

Crystals of tetraphenylbutadiene are white needles elongated parallel to the a axis. Intensity data were obtained with copper radiation from multiple film, equi-inclination Weissenberg photographs with the crystal mounted on the a axis. All cell dimensions were determined from $hk0$ and $h0l$ precession photographs. The space group was found to be $P2_1/c$ and the cell parameters are:



was undertaken to determine the degree of rotation of the phenyl rings from the plane of the butadiene chain, especially the degree of rotation of the two rings