Figure 2.—A stereoscopic view of the  $\text{Ta}_6\text{Cl}_{18}^{2-}$  anion cluster.

TABLE VI  
 COMPILATION OF SOME DISTANCES<sup>a</sup> IN  
 $(\text{M}_6\text{X}_{12})\text{Y}_m\text{L}_{6-m}^{(n-m)+}$ -CONTAINING COMPOUNDS

Compd	$d(\text{M}-\text{M})$ , Å	$d(\text{M}-\text{X})$ , Å	$d(\text{M}-\text{Y})$ , Å	$d(\text{X}-\text{X})$ , Å
$\text{Ta}_6\text{I}_{14}^2$	2.805 3.080	2.90 <sup>b</sup>	2.754	3.785
$\text{Ta}_6\text{Cl}_{14} \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}^3$	2.96			
$\text{Ta}_6\text{Cl}_{14}^4$	2.925	2.434	2.564	3.408
$\text{H}_2[\text{Ta}_6\text{Cl}_{18}] \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	2.962	2.414	2.507	3.384
$\text{Nb}_6\text{Cl}_{18}^5$	2.895 2.955	2.915 <sup>b</sup>	2.407	2.58 3.385
$\text{K}_4(\text{Nb}_6\text{Cl}_{18})^6$	2.915	2.49	2.596	3.47
$\text{Nb}_6\text{F}_{15}^7$	2.80	2.05	2.11	2.89
$[(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{N}]_2\text{Nb}_6\text{Cl}_{18}^8$	3.02	2.42	2.46	3.40

<sup>a</sup> All distances refer to average values. <sup>b</sup> Tetragonal flattening.

of molecular orbital studies of the  $\text{M}_6\text{X}_{12}^{n+}$  species.<sup>16,17</sup>

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Infrared spectra of these polynuclear subhalides with  $n = 3$  or 4 have been interpreted on the basis of tighter binding in the M-Y (terminal) bond.<sup>18</sup>

It would be reasonable to assume that the six waters and two protons reside in the approximately 9-Å "holes" in the structure, but with no preferred ordering. This would account for the fact that there were no peaks found on the difference map above a value of  $1 \text{ e}^-/\text{Å}^3$ , although no oxygen atoms had been included in the structure factor calculation.

In  $\text{HNb}_6\text{I}_8^{3+}$ ,<sup>19</sup> the hydrogen atom was found to reside in the center of the  $\text{Nb}_6$  cluster, but chemical evidence<sup>20</sup> seems to rule out a similar position for the proton in this case.

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## The Stereochemistry of the Chloropentaaquoterpyridylpraseodymium(III) Ion<sup>1</sup>

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The crystal structure of  $\text{Pr}(\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3)\text{Cl}_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_8$  has been determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction techniques employing Patterson and Fourier syntheses. The compound crystallizes in the space group  $Cm$  ( $Z = 2$ ) with dimensions  $a = 7.482$  (2),  $b = 16.602$  (7),  $c = 9.723$  (3) Å, and  $\beta = 90.13$  (1)°. The structure was refined to a discrepancy factor of 0.022 for 2005 diffractometer data. The coordination sphere about the Pr(III) ion consists of three nitrogen atoms from the terpyridyl ligand, one chloride ion, and five oxygen atoms from water molecules in the form of a monocapped square-antiprismatic polyhedron.

### Introduction

In recent years a large number of rare earth com-

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plexes with donor nitrogen atoms have been prepared using nonbasic nitrogen-containing ligands. Prominent among these are complexes of polypyridyl ligands which include  $\text{Ln}(\text{terpy})\text{Cl}_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$ ,<sup>3,4</sup>  $\text{Ln}(\text{terpy})(\text{NO}_3)_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$ ,<sup>5</sup>  $\text{Ln}(\text{bipy})_2(\text{NO}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$ ,<sup>6,7</sup>  $\text{Ln}(\text{bipy})_2\text{Cl}_3$ -

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(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>n</sub>,<sup>6</sup> and Ln(terpy)<sub>3</sub>(ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>n</sub>.<sup>8</sup> In almost all of these compounds it was not possible to distinguish which atoms were present in the coordination sphere of the metal. As part of a continuing study of the stereochemistry and bonding in rare earth complexes, a crystallographic investigation of a hydrated praseodymium(III) terpyridyl trichloride is reported.

### Experimental Section

The compound was synthesized according to the preparation given by Sinha.<sup>3</sup> Ethanol solutions of hydrated praseodymium trichloride and 2,2',2''-terpyridyl were refluxed for approximately 20 min, precipitating the light green powder of hydrated praseodymium terpyridyl trichloride. The following results of microanalysis were found for the powdered sample. *Anal.* Calcd for Pr(terpy)Cl<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>: N, 8.1; C, 34.8; H, 2.9. Found: N, 7.7; C, 35.9; H, 2.7. This microanalysis is in excellent agreement with that reported on the powder by Sinha.<sup>3</sup>

Single crystals were first formed by the vapor diffusion method using an inner solvent of methanol and an outer solvent of ethanol. This method produced excellent crystals; however, these crystals rapidly became opaque after exposure to air. Crystals were then formed, with difficulty, by a slow evaporation (to dryness) of a methanol solution of the complex. These crystals were quite stable in air. The crystal used for precession pictures and preliminary data collection was mounted on a glass fiber using Kodak 910 adhesive with the [010] direction approximately coincident with the spindle axis. The crystal used for final data collection was cut from a larger crystal under a microscope to a nondescript crystal of the approximate dimensions 0.27 mm × 0.27 mm × 0.30 mm and was mounted on a glass fiber using Silastic adhesive, with the [110] direction approximately coincident with the spindle axis.

Microanalysis of the crystals yielded the following results. *Anal.* Calcd for Pr(terpy)Cl<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>: N, 6.73; C, 28.83; H, 4.32. Found: N, 6.9; C, 29.2; H, 4.3. The experimental density (floatation method) of the crystalline material was 1.73 (3) g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

Precession photographs taken with Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda$  0.7107 Å) showed the crystals to have Laue symmetry 2/m with a systematic absence of all reflections with  $h + k$  odd, indicating the possible space groups  $C2/m$ ,  $C2$ , or  $Cm$ . The lattice constants preliminarily obtained from precession photographs were refined by least squares<sup>9</sup> from 23 reflections whose angles were accurately determined at 22° on the Picker four-circle card-controlled diffractometer using Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda$  0.70926 Å). The refined lattice constants are  $a = 7.482$  (2) Å,  $b = 16.602$  (7) Å,  $c = 9.723$  (3) Å, and  $\beta = 90.13$  (1)°. The unit cell volume is 1208 Å<sup>3</sup> and the calculated density for two formula weights of PrCl<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>27</sub> per unit cell is 1.71 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

Final intensity data were collected with Mo K $\alpha$  radiation using a moving-crystal, moving-counter ( $\theta$ - $2\theta$ ) scan technique<sup>10</sup> with a takeoff angle of 1.7°. A symmetric scan of 2° was used with an allowance for spectral dispersion and a scan rate of 2°/min. Stationary background counts of 15 sec were taken at both ends of the scan. A zirconium filter of 1-mil thickness was used for all data with a  $2\theta$  greater than 12° and a filter of 2-mil thickness was used for data less than 12°. Attenuators were inserted for any reflection in which the counting rate exceeded 9000 cps. The pulse height analyzer was set to accept approximately 90% of the pulse generated and the counter aperture was 29.9 cm from the crystal for all data.

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A total of 2013 independent data, excluding systematic absences, were collected, partially in the quadrant  $\pm h, k, l$  and partially in the quadrant  $h, k, \pm l$ , to a limiting  $2\theta$  of 62.5° ( $(\sin \theta)/\lambda \leq 0.756$ ). Four standard reflections were inserted after every 100 reflections to check for crystal and instrument stability. These standards varied less than 5% during the entire course of data collection.

The intensity data were corrected for background, Lorentz, and polarization effects. Standard deviations for  $F^2$  were assigned according to the formula

$$\sigma(F^2) = [P + (B_1 + B_2)\Delta(2\theta) + (0.05I)^2]^{1/2}$$

where  $P$  is the gross intensity,  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are the background counts,  $\Delta(2\theta)$  is the scan length, and  $I$  is the net intensity. The data were then scaled to account for the different  $\beta$  filters and the use of attenuators. Of the 2013 data examined, 2005 of these were found to have net intensities greater than one standard deviation and were used for the structure solution and refinement.

The linear absorption coefficient with Mo K $\alpha$  radiation is 2.39 mm<sup>-1</sup>. The lack of well-defined faces precluded absorption corrections; however, calculations assuming an extreme case, a cube with the faces corresponding to the crystal axes, showed the transmission factor to vary from 0.54 to 0.66. A more realistic model would lead to less variation in transmission.

### Structure Analysis

The presence of two formula units in any of the possible space groups requires the presence of molecular symmetry. Stereochemical constraints indicated the most likely space group to be  $Cm$ , with the praseodymium(III) ion located in the mirror plane ( $y = 0$ ) and the  $x$  and  $z$  coordinates arbitrary. Successive electron density maps starting with the praseodymium(III) at the origin with a preliminary set of data, which was limited in scope ( $(\sin \theta)/\lambda \leq 0.55$ ), led to an accurate description of the coordination sphere; the presence of 1.5 lattice waters per asymmetric unit was readily apparent ( $\rho \approx 3e^-/\text{Å}^3$ ) from electron density maps using the final, more complete set of data. Full-matrix isotropic least-squares refinement on  $F$  of all nonhydrogen atoms, including anomalous dispersion effects for praseodymium, resulted in a conventional discrepancy factor,  $R = \Sigma||F_o| - |F_c||/\Sigma|F_o|$ , of 0.061 and a weighted discrepancy factor,  $wR = (\Sigma w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2/\Sigma wF_o^2)^{1/2}$ , of 0.086 for the image chosen. The alternate image, related by an inversion center, could be rejected at the 0.005 significance according to the Hamilton  $R$  value test.<sup>11</sup>

Anisotropic refinement of all nonhydrogen atoms led to discrepancy factors of  $R = 0.022$  and  $wR = 0.026$  with an error of fit of 0.98. The largest peak on the final difference map was 0.5 e<sup>-</sup>/Å<sup>3</sup> and was near the metal position. Other residual peaks were smaller than 0.4 e<sup>-</sup>/Å<sup>3</sup>. A search for hydrogen atoms confirmed electron density at the expected positions but did not allow unambiguous placement of every hydrogen atom. A comparison of calculated and observed structure factors is given in Table I and is based upon the atomic parameters (in a right-handed coordinate system) given in Table II. Distances and angles with standard deviations estimated from the full variance-covariance matrix are listed in Table III.

The thermal parameters for the lattice waters [O(4) and O(5)] are significantly higher than for all other atoms. In order to test whether these sites might be partially vacant, occupancy factors for these atoms were varied. The resulting occupancy factors were

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TABLE I
COMPARISON OF OBSERVED AND CALCULATED STRUCTURE FACTORS (X 10)

A large data table with columns for Miller indices (hkl) and corresponding structure factor values (F\_o and F\_c).

within one standard deviation of that corresponding to 100% occupancy and there was no effect on the agreement factors.

Description of Structure

The crystalline structure consists of chloropentaquaterpyridylpraseodymium(III) complex ions, Pr(terpy)Cl(H2O)5 2+ each of which shares half of each of the four surrounding uncoordinated Cl- ions (Figure 1) and three uncoordinated water molecules to give the neutral formula Pr(terpy)Cl3(H2O)8. The praseodymium(III) ion is coordinated to nine species: three nitrogens from the terpyridyl group, five oxygen atoms from water molecules, and one Cl- ion. Figure 2 shows a view of the Pr(terpy)Cl3(H2O)8 2+ ion with the crystallographic mirror plane bisecting the terpyridyl group. The metal-nitrogen bond distances (Figure 3) are equivalent at 2.630 (3) Å (average), which may be compared with the lanthanum-nitrogen distance of 2.665 (16) Å found by Al-Karaghoulis and Wood12 in

bis(bipyridyl)lanthanum nitrate. The average metal-water distance of 2.513 (3) Å is compared with the lanthanum-water distances of 2.59 (4) Å found by Hoard, et al.,13 and 2.605 (11) Å found by Al-Karaghoulis and Wood.12 These values are in good agreement with the difference in the ionic radii which indicates that praseodymium(III) is 0.05 Å smaller than lanthanum(III).14
The praseodymium-nitrogen distance is significantly shorter, after allowing for the lanthanide contraction, than the lanthanum-nitrogen distances of 2.85 (5) and 2.755 (6) Å found by Hoard.13 Similar results were found by Moss and Sinha7 in Tb(bipy)2(NO3)3. Sinha has studied the visible and near-infrared spectra of several neodymium complexes.15 He proposes a parameter of covalency δ (in per cent) which is expressed as δ = 100(1 - β)/β, where β is the average value of
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TABLE II  
POSITIONS IN FRACTIONAL COORDINATES AND ANISOTROPIC THERMAL PARAMETERS ( $\times 10^4$ ) WITH THE ESTIMATED STANDARD DEVIATIONS OF THE LAST DIGIT IN PARENTHESES<sup>a</sup>

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>			
Pr	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Cl(1)	0.38437 (15)	0.0	-0.0064 (14)			
Cl(2)	-0.20658 (23)	0.15656 (11)	0.38847 (14)			
N(1)	0.1111 (5)	0.0	-0.2570 (4)			
N(2)	0.0456 (5)	0.1401 (2)	-0.1200 (4)			
C(1)	0.0016 (7)	0.2086 (3)	-0.0539 (6)			
C(2)	0.0067 (7)	0.2839 (3)	-0.1161 (1)			
C(3)	0.0624 (9)	0.2891 (3)	-0.2500 (8)			
C(4)	0.1071 (7)	0.2198 (3)	-0.3194 (6)			
C(5)	0.0992 (5)	0.1451 (2)	-0.2518 (4)			
C(6)	0.1515 (5)	0.0702 (2)	-0.3202 (3)			
C(7)	0.2410 (7)	0.0713 (4)	-0.4470 (4)			
C(8)	0.2867 (12)	0.0	-0.5081 (8)			
O(1)	-0.2548 (5)	0.0	-0.1632 (4)			
O(2)	0.0990 (4)	0.0916 (2)	0.1921 (3)			
O(3)	-0.2518 (4)	0.0861 (3)	0.0961 (4)			
O(4)	0.3999 (8)	0.1742 (4)	0.2635 (7)			
O(5)	-0.2639 (13)	0.0	-0.4325 (8)			
	$\beta_{11}$	$\beta_{22}$	$\beta_{33}$	$\beta_{12}$	$\beta_{13}$	$\beta_{23}$
Pr	64.2 (3)	20.0 (1)	45.9 (2)		3.4 (1)	
Cl(1)	65 (1)	29.8 (4)	91 (1)		3 (1)	
Cl(2)	243 (3)	53 (1)	92 (1)	16 (1)	17 (1)	-19 (1)
N(1)	86 (6)	25 (1)	56 (3)		3 (3)	
N(2)	132 (5)	23 (1)	82 (3)	-4 (2)	-1 (3)	2 (1)
C(1)	175 (8)	23 (1)	124 (5)	7 (2)	-11 (5)	-5 (2)
C(2)	187 (9)	20 (1)	198 (9)	1 (2)	-60 (7)	-6 (2)
C(3)	212 (11)	27 (1)	181 (9)	-9 (3)	-57 (8)	27 (3)
C(4)	190 (9)	32 (1)	123 (5)	-11 (3)	-20 (5)	-28 (2)
C(5)	109 (5)	27 (1)	81 (3)	-8 (2)	-15 (3)	-12 (2)
C(6)	112 (5)	31 (1)	56 (3)	-5 (2)	-1 (3)	6 (1)
C(7)	187 (8)	50 (2)	65 (3)	-17 (3)	29 (4)	12 (2)
C(8)	189 (14)	69 (5)	65 (7)		32 (8)	
O(1)	90 (5)	51 (2)	65 (3)		2 (3)	
O(2)	124 (5)	46 (1)	89 (3)	2 (2)	-7 (3)	-23 (2)
O(3)	107 (5)	54 (2)	121 (4)	7 (2)	7 (3)	-36 (2)
O(4)	231 (10)	60 (3)	208 (8)	-33 (4)	23 (7)	-28 (4)
O(5)	353 (2)	76 (4)	86 (7)		-27 (10)	

<sup>a</sup> The anisotropic thermal parameters are of the form  $\exp[-(\beta_{11}h^2 + \beta_{22}k^2 + \beta_{33}l^2 + 2\beta_{12}hk + 2\beta_{13}hl + 2\beta_{23}kl)]$ .

the ratio  $\nu_{\text{complex}}/\nu_{\text{aquo}}$ . Depending on the ligands, the value of  $\delta$  may be either positive (covalent bonding) or negative (ionic bonding). Although he places no significance on the absolute values of  $\delta$ 's, he uses them to express the relative covalent character in complexes. Sinha found that in the solid state terpyridyl and bipyridyl complexes give quite high  $\delta$  values indicating strongly covalent metal-ligand interactions. The metal-nitrogen bond lengths found in this structure as well as those found by Moss<sup>7</sup> are consistent with a strong, albeit not necessarily covalent, interaction.

The praseodymium-chloride distance of 2.876 (2) Å is much larger than that of 2.72 (1) Å found in the six-coordinate tris(hexamethylphosphoramide)trichloroprasedymium(III).<sup>16</sup> This difference in bond distance may be attributed, on the basis of a purely ionic model, to the differing coordination numbers in the two complexes. Use of the Born-Madelung expression<sup>17</sup> with a Born parameter of 9 to account for the increase in bond distance upon going from coordination number 6 to coordination number 9 leads to a factor of 1.05, consistent with that difference shown in these two complexes. Therefore, one need not invoke bond strength argu-

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TABLE III  
BONDED AND NONBONDED DISTANCES AND ANGLES WITH ESTIMATED STANDARD DEVIATIONS OF THE LAST DIGIT IN PARENTHESES<sup>a</sup>

Bonded Distances, Å		
Pr-N(1)	2.635 (4)	C(6)-C(5) 1.464 (6)
Pr-N(2)	2.625 (3)	C(7)-C(8) 1.368 (7)
Pr-Cl(1)	2.876 (2)	N(2)-C(1) 1.349 (5)
Pr-O(3)	2.544 (3)	N(2)-C(5) 1.346 (5)
Pr-O(2)	2.519 (3)	C(1)-C(2) 1.390 (7)
Pr-O(1)	2.477 (4)	C(2)-C(3) 1.371 (11)
N(1)-C(6)	1.351 (4)	C(3)-C(4) 1.376 (9)
C(6)-C(7)	1.404 (5)	C(4)-C(5) 1.405 (5)
Possible Hydrogen Bond Distances, Å		
O(1)···Cl(1) <sup>VI</sup>	3.132 (4)	O(3)···Cl(1) <sup>VI</sup> 3.214 (4)
O(1)···O(5)	2.620 (9)	O(4)···Cl(2) <sup>II</sup> 3.163 (7)
O(2)···O(4)	2.725 (6)	O(4)···Cl(2) <sup>III</sup> 3.196 (7)
O(2)···Cl(2)	3.171 (4)	O(5)···Cl(2) <sup>IV</sup> 3.158 (5)
O(3)···Cl(2)	3.092 (4)	O(5)···Cl(2) <sup>V</sup> 3.158 (5)
Polyhedral Edges, Å		
O(2)···O(2) <sup>I</sup>	3.040 (8)	N(2)···Cl(1) 3.629 (4)
O(3)···O(3) <sup>I</sup>	2.860 (9)	O(2)···Cl(1) 3.225 (3)
O(3)···O(1)	2.898 (5)	O(2)···N(2) 3.164 (5)
O(2)···O(3)	2.785 (5)	O(3)···N(2) 3.192 (5)
N(2)···N(1)	2.725 (4)	N(1)···O(1) 2.887 (6)
N(2)···O(1)	3.260 (4)	N(1)···Cl(1) 3.221 (4)
Angles, Deg		
Pr-N(2)-C(5)	121.2 (3)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7) 121.0 (4)
N(2)-C(5)-C(6)	117.4 (3)	Cl(1)-N(2)-O(1) 93.7 (1)
C(5)-C(6)-N(1)	117.7 (3)	N(2)-O(1)-N(2) <sup>I</sup> 91.0 (2)
C(6)-N(1)-Pr	120.1 (2)	O(2) <sup>I</sup> -O(2)-O(3) 88.1 (1)
N(2)-C(1)-C(2)	123.0 (5)	O(2)-O(3)-O(3) <sup>I</sup> 91.85 (12)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	118.6 (5)	N(2)-Pr-N(2) 64.40 (8)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	119.3 (5)	N(2)-Pr-Cl(1) 82.42 (8)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	119.8 (5)	N(2)-Pr-O(1) 79.38 (9)
C(5)-N(2)-C(1)	118.4 (4)	N(2)-Pr-O(3) 76.24 (13)
N(1)-C(6)-C(7)	121.2 (4)	N(2)-Pr-O(2) 75.91 (12)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	119.3 (5)	Cl(1)-Pr-O(2) 73.09 (8)
C(7)-C(8)-C(7) <sup>I</sup>	119.8 (6)	O(2)-Pr-O(2) <sup>I</sup> 74.26 (19)
C(6)-N(1)-C(6) <sup>I</sup>	119.1 (4)	O(3)-Pr-O(3) <sup>I</sup> 68.40 (21)
N(2)-C(5)-C(4)	120.9 (4)	O(3)-Pr-O(2) 66.75 (11)
C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	121.7 (4)	O(3)-Pr-O(1) 70.49 (11)

<sup>a</sup> The superscripts correspond to the following symmetry positions: (I)  $x, -y, z$ ; (II)  $1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, z$ ; (III)  $1 + x, y, z$ ; (IV)  $x, y, -1 + z$ ; (V)  $x, -y, -1 + z$ ; (VI)  $-1 + x, y, z$ .

ments to explain the Pr-Cl bond distance. The sum of the ionic radii, presumably derived for six-coordination, is 2.82 Å, midway between the value found here and the nine-coordinate value.

The symmetry of the terpyridyl group is distorted little by complexation. Each pyridyl group is planar (sum of the internal angles in the central ring is 719.9° and in the outer ring is 720.0°). The average C-N distance of 1.349 Å is consistent with that reported in pyridine.<sup>18</sup> The small, but statistically significant, difference in average aromatic C-C bond distances between those bonds involving the carbons para to the nitrogen [C(3) and C(8)], 1.372 Å (average), and the others, 1.400 Å (average), has also been observed in recent work on complexes of acetatoterpyridylcopper(II).<sup>19</sup>

The pyridyl groups are rotated relative to one another with a torsional angle of 12.1 (2)°. In Zn(terpy)Cl<sub>3</sub><sup>20</sup> the torsional angles average 5°. The rings were found to be essentially coplanar in the acetatoterpyridyl-

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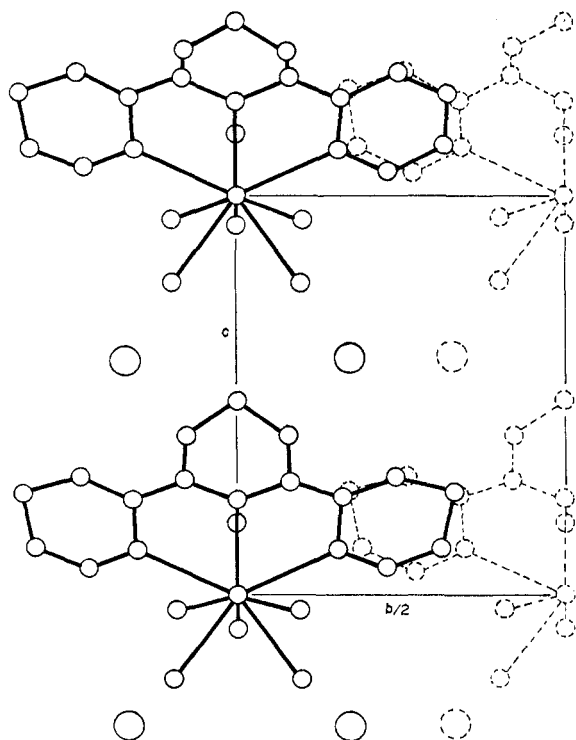


Figure 1.—The structure of  $\text{Pr}(\text{terpy})\text{Cl}_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_8$  projected onto the  $bc$  plane. The solid lines indicate one formula unit around the  $\text{Pr}(\text{III})$  ion at 0, 0, 0 and one around the  $\text{Pr}(\text{III})$  ion at 0, 0, 1. The broken lines indicate the formula units related by C centering.

copper(II) complexes.<sup>19</sup> While the torsional angles in the terpyridyl group are related to the coordination geometry to which they must conform, it is difficult to assess the significance of these angles since free terpyridyl may well not be planar as a result of  $\text{H} \cdots \text{H}$  non-bonded interactions. The  $12^\circ$  twist in the complex under discussion here does lead to equivalent distances from the praseodymium ion to the nitrogen. Angles within the terpyridyl group are normal.

Two idealized geometries have been proposed for nine-coordinate polyhedra:<sup>21</sup> the tricapped trigonal prism (Figure 3a) of  $D_{3h}$  symmetry and monocapped square antiprism (Figure 3b) of  $C_{4v}$  symmetry. The tricapped trigonal-prismatic configuration has been established for  $\text{ReH}_9^{2-}$ <sup>22</sup> and for  $\text{Nd}(\text{OH}_2)_9^{3+}$  in  $\text{Nd}(\text{OH}_2)_9(\text{BrO}_3)_3$ <sup>23</sup> as well as for a series of isostructural lanthanide hydroxides.<sup>24</sup> The monocapped square-antiprismatic polyhedron has been found for certain metal cage compounds and for metal tellurides and arsenides and had not been reported for any metal complexes.<sup>21</sup> Recently, Day and Hoard have determined this geometry for tetrakis(tropolonato)- $N,N'$ -dimethylformamidethorium(IV)<sup>25</sup> and have also commented on its previously unrecognized appearance in the ethylenediaminetetraacetatotriaquolanthanum(III) ion.<sup>13b</sup> As Muetterties and Wright have pointed out,<sup>21</sup> however, the two geometries can be interconverted with relatively minor distortions. The monocapped

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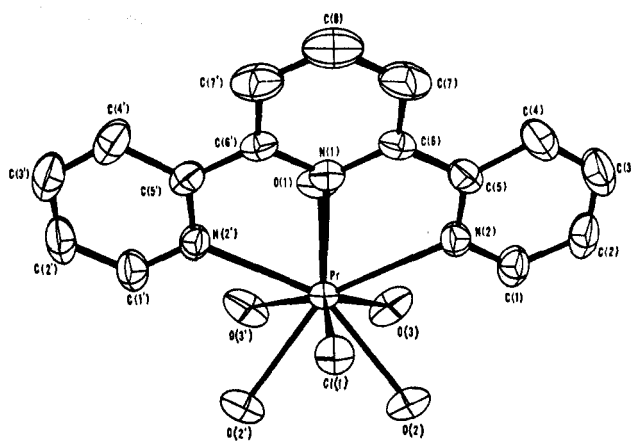


Figure 2.—The  $\text{Pr}(\text{terpy})\text{Cl}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5^{2+}$  complex ion.

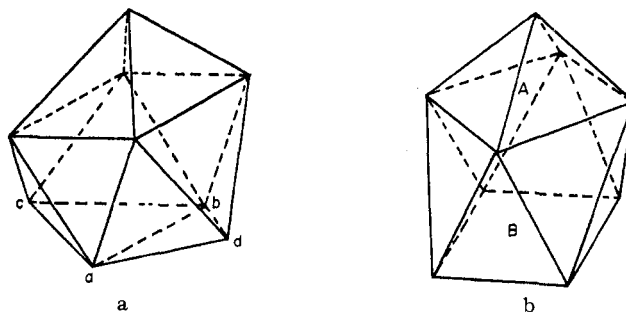


Figure 3.—The two idealized geometries for a nonacoordinate polyhedron: (left) the tricapped trigonal prism; (right) the monocapped square antiprism.

square antiprism can be generated from the tricapped trigonal prism by raising points  $a$  and  $b$ , and lowering the two caps  $c$  and  $d$  so that the four form the basal plane.

The  $\text{Pr}(\text{terpy})\text{Cl}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5^{2+}$  complex ion is best described as a distorted monocapped square antiprism with  $\text{N}(1)$  forming the cap. The actual coordination polyhedron is shown in Figure 4. In the idealized monocapped square antiprism atoms  $\text{O}(2)$ ,  $\text{O}(2)^I$ ,  $\text{O}(3)$ , and  $\text{O}(3)^I$  would form a square (plane B, Figure 3b) as would atoms  $\text{Cl}(1)$ ,  $\text{N}(2)$ ,  $\text{N}(2)^I$ , and  $\text{O}(1)$  (plane A, Figure 3b). In the actual complex ion atoms  $\text{O}(2)$ ,  $\text{O}(2)^I$ ,  $\text{O}(3)$ , and  $\text{O}(3)^I$  are required by symmetry to lie in a plane<sup>26</sup> ( $0.3352X - 0.9422Z = -1.514$ ) and the angles between edges are  $88.1^\circ$  and  $91.9(1)^\circ$ . Atoms  $\text{Cl}(1)$ ,  $\text{N}(2)$ ,  $\text{N}(2)^I$ , and  $\text{O}(1)$  are somewhat ruffled with the equation of the mean plane being  $0.3090X - 0.9511Z = 1.076$ . The deviations from this plane for atoms  $\text{Cl}(1)$ ,  $\text{N}(2)$ ,  $\text{N}(2)^I$ , and  $\text{O}(1)$  are 0.13,  $-0.14$ ,  $-0.14$ , and 0.15 Å, respectively. The angles between edges are  $91.0(2)$ ,  $93.7(1)$ , and  $79.8(4)^\circ$ . The mirror planes require the two four-sided figures to have their diagonals  $45^\circ$  to one another when projected down  $\text{N}(1)\text{-Pr}$ . Viewing the monocapped square antiprism with the cap in the vertical position, the praseodymium(III) ion is 1.52 Å above plane B but only 1.06 Å below mean plane A. Mean planes A and B are essentially parallel with a dihedral angle of  $1.5^\circ$ . The deviations from the idealized geometry are due primarily to the length of the praseodymium-chloride bond which is 0.25 Å longer than any of the other metal-ligand bonds. Further, the  $\text{Cl}(1)$  atom

(26) The coordinates  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  are in units of ångströms and are based on the orthonormal coordinate system  $a' = a$ ,  $b' = axc$ ,  $c' = axb'$ .

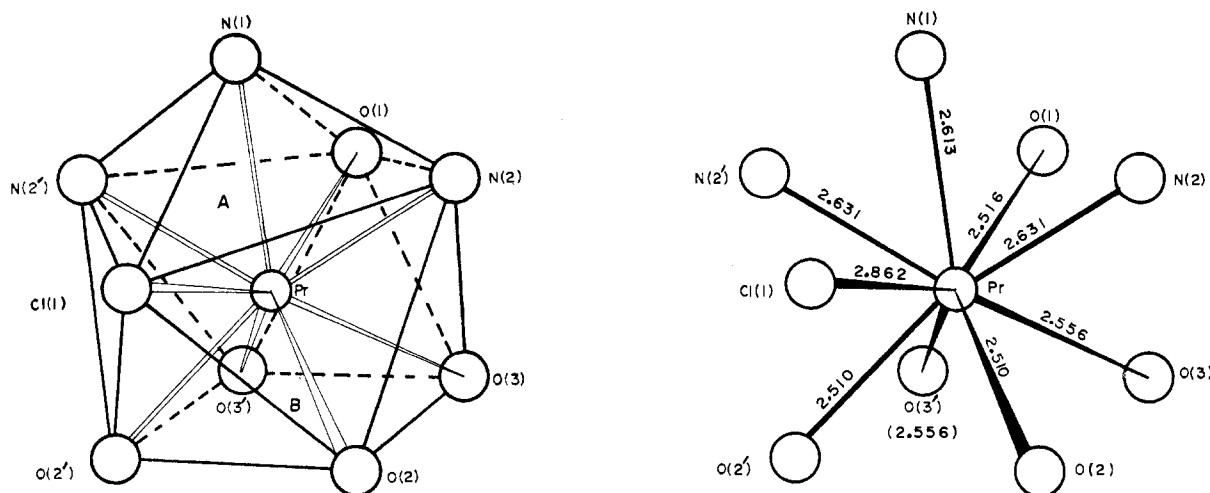
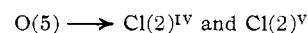
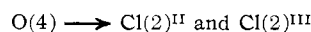
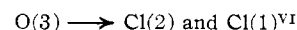
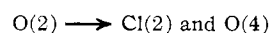
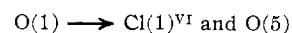


Figure 4.—The coordination polyhedron about the Pr(III) ion showing the mon capped square-antiprismatic configuration.

is bent down toward plane B as can be seen in Figure 3. Since this complex contains constraints of chelating as well as three different kinds of atoms in the coordination sphere, it does not lend itself to detailed analysis of the coordination polyhedron. Day and Hoard<sup>25</sup> have noted that the quasi- $C_4$  axis [N(1)–Pr] corresponding to the  $C_{4v}$  symmetry of the idealized mon capped square antiprism must generate four axes [Pr–N(1), Pr–N(2), Pr–N(2)<sup>I</sup>, and Pr–Cl(1)] normal to which are observed one-five-three layering of the ligated atoms. Examination of the model does show such layering.

A reasonable pattern of three-dimensional hydrogen

bonding (Table III) can be proposed as



This scheme thus links each complex ion to all six of its neighboring ions *via* hydrogen bonding. This three-dimensional hydrogen bonding is manifested in the excellent crystals corresponding to the octahydrated complex.

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## The Crystal and Molecular Structure of Tris(glycinato)chromium(III) Monohydrate, $Cr(C_2H_4NO_2)_3 \cdot H_2O$

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The crystal and molecular structure of tris(glycinato)chromium(III) monohydrate,  $Cr(C_2H_4NO_2)_3 \cdot H_2O$ , has been determined by single-crystal X-ray analysis. The cell constants are  $a = 6.256$  (1),  $b = 14.649$  (1),  $c = 12.267$  (1) Å, and  $\beta = 100.39$  (1)°. The space group is  $P2_1/c$  and with  $Z = 4$  the calculated density is 1.755 g/cm<sup>3</sup> compared to the observed 1.76 (1) g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Scintillation counter diffractometry was used to measure the intensities of 2631 independent reflections significantly above background. The phase problem was solved by the application of direct methods and the structural parameters refined by a block-diagonal least-squares procedure to a final  $R$  of 0.0266. All hydrogen atoms in the structure were located and their positional parameters were refined. Anisotropic thermal parameters were used for all atoms except hydrogen. The chromium ion is octahedrally coordinated by three glycinato ligands so that the three nitrogen atoms are mutually *cis*. Average bond lengths are as follows (Å): Cr–N, 2.068 (5); Cr–O, 1.965 (2); N–C, 1.479 (3); C–C, 1.517 (2); C–O (coordinated), 1.290 (9); C–O (carbonyl), 1.223 (6). Individual molecules in the crystal are held together by a three-dimensional network of strong hydrogen bonds, including an unusual bifurcated linkage. The uv and visible spectra of the complex are presented and discussed.

### Introduction

No crystal structure analysis has been reported for any amino acid complex of chromium(III) though many amino acid complexes with other metal ions have been extensively studied.<sup>1</sup> We give here the results of an

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accurate three-dimensional single-crystal X-ray analysis of the structure of tris(glycinato)chromium(III) monohydrate and present and discuss the uv and visible spectra of the compound.

### Experimental Section

The complex was prepared by refluxing an aqueous solution of