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# Metal Complexes of Substituted Dithiophosphinic Acids. IV. Complexes of Divalent Nickel, Palladium, and Platinum

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The infrared, electronic (visible and ultraviolet), and mass spectra of the planar dithiophosphinato complexes, M[S<sub>2</sub>PX<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>  $(M = Ni, Pd, Pt; X = CH_3, C_6H_5, OC_2H_5, F, and CF_3, except in the case of this latter substituent the M = Pt complex),$ are examined in the context of the electronic effects of the substituents and their relationship to the analogous pseudotetrahedral complexes of Mn, Fe, Co, Zn, Cd, and Hg. The novel complex formulated as Pt<sub>2</sub>S<sub>6</sub>P<sub>4</sub>(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>8</sub> representing a "sulfur deficient" dimer is described. All the normal complexes are diamagnetic and monomeric in solution. The substituents which represent a range of inductive and  $\pi$ -bonding possibilities fall in the spectrochemical order  $OC_2H_5 \sim F > CH_8 \sim$  $C_6H_5 \sim CF_3$ . A correlation has been found between the metal-sulfur stretching frequencies in the infrared and the first electronic transition, and this correlation has been compared with previous correlations of M-S bond lengths with ligand field strength. The  $Ni[S_2P(CH_8)_2]_2$  complex shows two reduction waves and one oxidation wave in the polarogram obtained from an acetonitrile solution.

## Introduction

The chemical and structural properties of planar complexes containing the MS4 chromophore have recently been reviewed.<sup>1-5</sup> Although much is known, a satisfactory theoretical description of the bonding in these planar 1,1-dithioacid complex systems has yet to be developed which is consistent with all the experimental data now available. In continuation of our investigations<sup>6-9</sup> of the chemical and electronic properties of the various coordination geometries obtainable within the dithiophosphinic acid system using substituents of varying electronic effects, we report herein preparations and further studies of the planar, diamagnetic complexes  $M[S_2PX_2]_2$  (M = Ni, Pd, and Pt;  $X = CH_3$ ,  $C_8H_5$ ,  $OC_2H_5$ , F, and  $CF_3$ ), some of which have been initially reported elsewhere. Molecular and crystal structures<sup>1</sup> of the nickel dithiophosphinates,  $Ni[S_2PX_2]_2$ , where  $X = CH_3^{10a} C_2H_5$ , <sup>10b</sup>  $C_6H_5$ , <sup>11</sup>  $OC_2H_5$ , <sup>1</sup> and OCH<sub>3</sub>,<sup>10e</sup> verify the planar geometry of the MS<sub>4</sub> moiety; however, no Pt or Pd structure has yet been reported. Electronic spectral data have been discussed in detail only for the Ni,  $X = C_6 H_5$  and  $OC_2 H_5$ , complexes<sup>11-14</sup> and the Pd and Pt,  $X = OC_2H_5^{12}$  and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>,<sup>15</sup> complexes although band positions have been reported for the X =  $C_6H_5$ ,<sup>11</sup>  $C_2H_5$ <sup>16,17</sup> and OCH<sub>3</sub>,

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OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>, OCH(CH<sub>3</sub>)C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>,<sup>18</sup> and unsymmetrically substituted X = F, X' =  $CH_3$  or  $C_2H_5^{19}$ complexes of Ni(II).

### **Experimental Section**

Volatile air-sensitive compounds, particularly those containing F and CF<sub>3</sub> substituents, were handled in a conventional vacuum system greased with Apiezon N stopcock grease or in the grease-free apparatus described below. Transfers to weighing containers and other manipulations were carried out in drybags under nitrogen. Air-stable systems were handled with typical bench-top techniques.

Infrared spectra were recorded over the range 4000-250 cm<sup>-1</sup> using a Perkin-Elmer 457 instrument on Nujol mulls of the solids contained between CsBr plates or as solutions in 0.5-mm CsBr solution cells. Ultraviolet and visible spectra were measured with a Cary 14 spectrometer, and the reflectance spectra were obtained on the same instrument equipped with the Cary 1411 diffuse reflectance attachment operating in Type II mode. The room-temperature diamagnetism of the compounds was determined by the Faraday technique.<sup>6</sup> Mass spectra were obtained by means of the direct probe sample insertion system of the AEI MS9 mass spectrometer operating at 70 eV. Fluorine nmr spectra were obtained on  $\sim 5\%$  solutions in CCl<sub>3</sub>F or CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> by means of a Varian A56/60A instrument. Analytical data are collected in Table I.

Preparation of Compounds .- Syntheses of acids or acid salts have been described elsewhere.6,20,21

 $M\left[S_2P(CH_3)_2\right]_2$  and  $M\left[S_2P(C_6H_5)_2\right]_2.$  —Concentrated aqueous solutions of the metal salts (NiCl<sub>2</sub>.6H<sub>2</sub>O, (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>PdCl<sub>4</sub>, K<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>4</sub>) were mixed with aqueous solutions of the ligand salts (NaS<sub>2</sub>P- $(CH_3)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$  or  $NH_4S_2P(C_6H_5)_2$ ) followed by extraction with and crystallization from dichloromethane. Recrystallization could be effected from a 1:1 (by volume) dichloromethane-2-propanol mixture by reducing the volume by half and setting flask and solution aside to cool undisturbed. Dilute aqueous solutions of starting salts of Pd and especially Pt were particularly susceptible to precipitation of a brown material (presumably the metal sulfide) and the readily detectable evolution of H<sub>2</sub>S gas. The Pt complex was purified by fractional sublimation up a vertically mounted evacuated glass tube surrounded by a copper jacket heated at the bottom to 250° in a bath of Wood's metal.

 $M [S_2P(OC_2H_5)_2]_2$ .—The Ni and Pd complexes were prepared by adding the metal salt  $(NiCl_2 \cdot 6H_2O \text{ or } (NH_4)_2PdCl_4)$  to

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				ANALYTICAL D.	ATA <sup>4</sup>		
				Colo	r	Mol wt	Mol wt (mass spec)
x	м	% C	% н	Solid	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> soln	(osmometrically)	(58Ni, 196Pd, 195Pt)
CH <sub>3</sub>	Ni	15.68(15.55)	4.17(3.91)	Deep purple	Deep blue	$304^{b}(309)$	308 (308)
	Pd	13.65(13.47)	3.44(3.39)	Red-orange	Red-orange	$385^{b}(357)$	356 (356)
	Ρt	10.82(10.79)	2.95(2.72)	Orange-yellow	Yellow	$522^{b}$ (445)	445(445)
$C_6H_5$	Ni	51.77(51.72)	3.82(3.62)	Purple	Yellow-green	$558^{b}(557)$	556 (556)
	₽d	47.53(47.65)	3.43(3.33)	Red-orange	Red-orange	$623^{b}$ (605)	604 (604)
	Ρt	41.44(41.55)	3.09(2.91)	Orange	Yellow	$674^{b}(694)$	693 (693)
$OC_2H_5$	Ni	22.44(22.39)	4.57(4.70)	Purple	Purple-pink	407° (429)	426 (426)
	$\mathbf{Pd}$	20.31(20.15)	4.19(4.23)	Orange	Orange-yellow	431° (477)	476 (476)
	Pt	16.66(16.99)	3.63(3.56)	Yellow	Yellow	513° (566)	565 (565)
$\mathbf{F}$	Ni			Dark green (black)	Pink	$329^{d}(325)$	323,7641 (323,7659)
	$\mathbf{Pd}$			Red-orange	Red-orange	$384^{d}(373)$	372.7333 (372.7326)
	Ρt			Orange-yellow	Yellow	(461)	460.7935 (460.7942)
		% CF3e	% S				
CF3	Ni	26.1(26.2)	24.88(24.42)	Blue-green	Yellow-green	507° (520)	523.7523(523.7519)
	Pd	24.0(24.1)	22.39 (22.39)	Brick-red	~Red-orange	633° (572)	571.7190 (571.7198)
	Pt <sup>1</sup>	21.3(21.9)	15.31(15.28)	Yellow	Yellow	>1000° (1258)	1257.6160(1257.6181)
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TABLE I

<sup>a</sup> Values in parentheses calculated according to formulation as  $M[S_2PX_2]_2$ . <sup>b</sup> Dibromomethane solution. <sup>c</sup> Carbon tetrachloride solution. <sup>d</sup> Taken from ref 10. <sup>e</sup> Calculated from HCF<sub>3</sub> evolved on base hydrolysis of compound, assuming 1 mol of HCF<sub>3</sub> evolved per mole of P present. <sup>f</sup> Values in parentheses calculated according to formulation as  $Pt_2S_6P_4(CF_3)_8$ .

an ethanol solution of the acid.<sup>18</sup> The Pt complex could only be made by reaction of  $NaS_2P(OC_2H_3)_2$  with Pt salts in concentrated aqueous solutions followed by extraction into CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The complexes were recrystallized by boiling a solution in 1:1 (by volume) dichloromethane–2-propanol mixture to half-volume and setting aside to cool. The crystals were washed with cold 2-propanol and dried under vacuum.

 $M[S_2PF_2]_2$ .—These compounds were prepared essentially as described elsewhere<sup>22</sup> from F<sub>2</sub>PS<sub>2</sub>H acid<sup>20</sup> except that milligram quantities of starting materials were used and solvents omitted in the ''grease-free'' vacuum apparatus represented schematically in Figure 1. The advantages of this simple design are more efficient collection and separation of the products, and fractional sublimation within the apparatus is possible. Materials may be passed back and fourth between the large reaction volume and cold finger through the intermediate U-trap cooled in slush baths of the desired temperature. When the solid complexes had been isolated in the cold finger and the other volatile reaction materials distilled from the apparatus, the whole unit was removed to a nitrogen-filled drybag where the cold finger was cut off and the product manipulated as desired. The Pt[S2PF2]2 complex was prepared by the direct reaction between K2PtCl4 or PtCl<sub>2</sub> and HS<sub>2</sub>PF<sub>2</sub>; the Pd complex was prepared from PdCl<sub>2</sub> and the Ni compound from Ni metal.

 $M[S_2P(CF_3)_2]_2$ .—(a) Nickel(II) bistrifluoromethyldithiophosphinate was prepared by refluxing  $HS_2P(CF_3)_2^{21}$  with Ni metal at room temperature in an evacuated sublimer (fitted with a cold water probe) for 24 hr. Volatile products were removed under vacuum and identified as excess acid,  $(CF_3)_2PSH$ ,  $H_2S$ , and hydrogen. The blue-green solid product  $Ni[S_2P(CF_3)_2]_2$  was sublimed at 60° to the cold water probe and subsequently fractionally resublimed to obtain the pure product. The <sup>19</sup>F nmr spectrum in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> showed a doublet ( $J_{PF} = 109$  Hz,  $\phi = 59.6$  ppm vs. CCl<sub>3</sub>F).

(b) Palladium(II) bistrifluoromethyldithiophosphinate was prepared as described above from PdCl<sub>2</sub> and HS<sub>2</sub>P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. The reaction was rapid giving HCl and Pd[S<sub>2</sub>P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> at room temperature within 30 min. The <sup>19</sup>F nmr in CCl<sub>4</sub> solution showed a simple doublet ( $J_{\rm PF} = 108$  Hz,  $\phi = 71.5$  ppm vs. CFCl<sub>3</sub>).

The "Sulfur-Deficient" Dimer of Pt(II).—The reaction between PtCl<sub>2</sub> and HS<sub>2</sub>P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> in the same apparatus as described above was slow, several days refluxing at room temperature being required to give a yellow solid product; HCl,  $(CF_3)_2P$ -(S)Cl, and H<sub>2</sub>S as volatile products were collected in cold traps on the vacuum line. Not all of the PtCl<sub>2</sub> taken was consumed. The desired yellow product was separated by sublimation at 70° to the cold water probe. A quantity of yellow colored involatile material which remained with the PtCl<sub>2</sub> was not further investigated. The resublimed yellow solid was found by mass spectral and chemical analysis to be Pt<sub>2</sub>S<sub>6</sub>P<sub>4</sub>(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>8</sub>. Both K<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>4</sub> and Pt(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> reacted very slowly with the acid to give the same solid product, but Pt(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> did not react. The <sup>19</sup>F

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Figure 1.—Grease-free apparatus for the preparation of volatile solid complexes.

nmr spectrum on a saturated solution in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> containing CFCl<sub>3</sub> as an internal standard gave the spectrum illustrated in Figure 6.

#### **Results and Discussion**

**Mass Spectra.**—The mass spectral data with the exception of the  $X = OC_2H_5$  complexes are summarized in Tables II and III. In all cases, the parent monomer ions were the most intense. In general the fragments containing the metal atom were readily identifiable by their characteristic isotopic patterns. Since the behavior of the Pd, Pt,  $X = OC_2H_5$  complexes in the mass spectrometer is similar to that of Ni[S<sub>2</sub>P(OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> which has been thoroughly analyzed, <sup>18</sup> these spectra are omitted from Tables II and III. The fragmentation patterns observed for the Ni(II) compounds are very similar to those of the polymeric, tetrahedrally coordinated Co(II) analogs for all X;<sup>9</sup> however, the spectra of the Ni, Pd, and Pt complexes differ markedly from those of the Zn, Cd, and Hg compounds.<sup>9</sup>

The mass spectrum of  $Pt_2S_8P_4(CF_3)_8$  (Table IV) is very much dominated by the parent molecule ion of the formula given and the "monomeric" unit of exactly half the above formula. All other ions are very weak and do not contribute greatly to the total ionization. The mass spectrum thus provides strong evidence in

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(1) $324$ $(1)$ $309$ $(3)$	445(100) 430(10)	556 (100)	604(100)	693 (100) 616 (0)	324 (100) 305 (0)	$\frac{r_{ m d}}{372}(100)$ 353 $(1)$	$\frac{461}{442}(100)$	524 (100 455 (3)
(1) 324 (1) (3) 309 (3)	0/ 106				0EF /00)	(0) 606	(99) (99)	405(6)
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	004 (9)		(7) 756		236 (23) 236 (8) 186 (3)	(7) ene	092 (00) 373 (5) 393 (0)	286 (22) 286 (3) 186 (5)
	398 (4)	524(7)	572(3) 495(8)	661(1) 584 $(5)$	( a) 001	(01) 107	(0) 070	492 (0) 492 (0) 423 (6)
		293 (22)						373 (3)
(3)		416 (12)		476(1)	223(3)	$271\ (0)$	360(3)	323 (9) 604 (79)
	322(4)				154 (5)	(2) 606	901 (6)	204 (12) 185 (11) 154 (2)
$\begin{array}{cccc} (34) & & 292 \ (36) \\ (26) & & 277 \ (28) \\ \end{array}$	381 (25) 366 (29) 361 (25)	492(7) $415(8)$	540(27) 463(4)	629 (23) 552 (6)		308(1)	378(1)	460 (1)
(20) 231 (26)	330(8)	384 (18) 307 (3)	355(3)		191(36)	239(32)	328(13)	291(25)
(6) 216 (2)		230(5)		367(3)		220 (0)	309(3)	241(5) 222(5) 178(46)
				290(1)	(06) 661	170 (10)	050 (10)	162 (10) 153 (21) 199 (96)
(0) 245 (1)	334(4)		431(23)	520~(12)	(07) 771	(01) (11	(71) 207	07 07 000
215(2)	304(4)	229~(12)	277 (1)					(0) 606
(4) (6) 199 (39)	288.(4)	352 (32) 275 (2)	400 (16) 323 (24)	159(6)		207 (8)	296 (7)	259 (1)
(3) 184 (7)		198 (18)						190 (2) 150 (4)
169 (26)	258 (7)		169 (66)	258 (7)				140(13) 140(13) 121(31)
(1) 138 (1) 183 (7)	227(1) 272(1)	197 (3)	245(6)	334(8)	(2) 06	138(4)	227 (6)	90 (10)
		243(11)	$368 (8) \\ 291 (24)$		(7) (7)	175(8)	264 (3)	
106 (3) 200	195(0)	58(10)	106(1)	090 090	58 (11) 60-	106 (9) 80	25	$108 (7) \\ 89 (1) \\ 58 (23) \\ 50 \\ 50 \\ 50 \\ 50 \\ 50 \\ 50 \\ 50 \\ 5$

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	METASTABLE AND MULTIPLY CHARGED IONS	INDICATED IN MASS SPECTRA OF PLANAR	$M[S_2PX_2]_2$ Complexes <sup>2</sup>
$\mathbf{x}$	Ni	Pđ	Pt
CH3	$215.0 = 244 \rightarrow 229 \ (214.9)$ 193.3 = 308 $\rightarrow 244 \ (193.3)$	$326.6 = 356 \rightarrow 341 (326.6) 262.5 = 292 \rightarrow 277 (262.8) 239.3 = 356 \rightarrow 292 (239.5)$	$415.0 = 455 \rightarrow 430 \ (415.5)$ $352.0 = 381 \rightarrow 366 \ (357.6)$ $343.0 = 430 \rightarrow 384 \ (342.9)$ $326.5 = 445^{2+}$ $190.5 = 381^{2+}$
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	$\sim 436 = 556 \rightarrow 492 (435.4)$ 265.0 = 556 $\rightarrow 384 (265.2)$	$\begin{array}{rcl} 483.0 &= & 604 \rightarrow 540 \ (482.8) \\ 345 &= & 540 \rightarrow 431 \ (344.0) \end{array}$	$571.0 = 693 \rightarrow 629 (571.0)$ $430.0 = 629 \rightarrow 520 (429.9)$ $346.5 = 693^{2+}$ $314.5 = 629^{2+}$
F		$217.0 = 372 \rightarrow 284 \ (216.8)$	$230.5 = 461^{2+}$
Numb	are in perentheses are the m/s values for the m	stastable peaks salaulated on d2/n where	the meteotable peals regult from t

<sup>a</sup> Numbers in parentheses are the m/e values for the metastable peaks calculated as  $d^2/p$  where the metastable peaks result from the transition  $p \rightarrow d$ .

TABLE IV	
Mass Spectral Data for	$Pt_2S_6P_4(CF_3)_8{}^a$

Peaks with	Pt <sub>2</sub> isotopic p	$attern^{b}$	Peaks with Pt	isotopic p	attern <sup>c</sup>
		Inten	-		Inten-
Assignment	m/e	sity	Assignment	m/e	sity
$Pt_2S_6P_4X_8$	1258	100	$PtS_4P_2X_4$	661	13
$Pt_2S_6P_4X_7CF$	2 12 <b>3</b> 9	7	$PtS_{3}P_{2}X_{4}$	629	65
$Pt_2S_6P_4X_7$	1189	22	$PtS_{3}P_{2}X_{3}$	560	6
$Pt_2S_5P_4X_7$	1157	6	$PtS_4P_2X_2F$	542	$^{2}$
$Pt_2S_6P_3X_6$	1089	8	$PtS_2P_2X_2F_3$	516	6
$Pt_2S_5P_3X_6$	1057	10	$PtS_{3}P_{2}X_{2}F$	510	9
$Pt_2S_5P_3X_5F$	1007	5	$PtS_2P_2X_2F$	478	16
$Pt_2S_5P_3X_4$	919	6	$PtS_3PX_2$	<b>46</b> 0	3
$Pt_2S_5P_2X_4$	888	7	$PtSP_2X_2F$	446	3
$Pt_2S_4P_3X_4$	887	7	$PtS_2PX_2$	428	<b>5</b>
$Pt_2S_4P_3X_2$	749	5	$PtSPX_2$	396	3
$Pt_2S_2P_2X_3$	723	7	$PtS_2PXF$	378	1
$Pt_2S_4P_2X_2$	718	6	$PtS_{3}P_{2}F$	372	3
$Pt_2S_2P_2X_2F$	673	5	$PtSP_2X$	358	1
$Pt_2S_2P_2X$	585	8	$PtS_{3}P_{2}$	353	$^{2}$
$Pt_2S_4P_2$	580	6	PtSPXF	346	3
$Pt_2S_3P_2F$	567	5	$PtS_2P_2F$	340	10
$Pt_2SP_2X$	553	7	$PtS_4$	323	3
$Pt_2S_3P_2$	548	10	PtPXF	314	$^{2}$
$Pt_2S_2P_2F$	535	$\overline{7}$	$PtSP_2F$	308	7
$Pt_2S_2P_2$	516	6	$PtS_2P$	290	3
$Pt_2S_2P$	485	5	PtSPF	277	1
	М	letastab	le peaks <sup>d</sup>		
. •	498.5 = 6	329 →	560 (calcd 498.6	) .	

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408	=	$560 \rightarrow$	478	(calcd	408.0)	
383	=	478 <del>→</del>	428	(calcd	383.2)	
314.5	=	1258 <b>→</b>	629	(calcd	314.5)	

<sup>a</sup> Spectrum obtained with source temperature at 85°. Spectrum is scaled such that parent ion intensity = 100.  $X = CF_3$ . <sup>b</sup> Only peaks with Pt<sub>2</sub> isotopic patterns of intensity >4% of the parent ion peak intensity are included. <sup>c</sup> All discernible peaks with simple Pt isotopic pattern are included. <sup>d</sup> Calculated metastable peaks determined as in footnote of Table III.

support of the formulation of this compound as a sulfur-deficient dimer.

Infrared Spectra.—The infrared spectra of the planar complexes (presented in Table V) are very similar due to the predominance of intraligand vibrations in the range 4000–250 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The general similarity of the infrared spectra for a given X within a column of the periodic table provides general support for the isostructural formulation of the compounds. In further support, the X-ray powder patterns of the Pd and Pt (X = CH<sub>3</sub>) complexes are nearly superimposable and very similar to that of the nickel compound<sup>10a</sup> of known structure. Small differences with respect to shapes and splitting of known patterns of ir bands allow distinction between the spectra of these planar complexes and those of the pseudotetrahedrally coordinated metal ion complexes.<sup>9</sup> It is also notable that no P–O stretching frequencies were observed (except with  $X = OC_2H_5$ , of course), indicating little substitution of O for S such as that found in  $Co[S_2P(CH_3)_2]_2$ .<sup>9</sup> A sample of Ni[S\_2P-(CH\_3)\_2]\_2, which had been kept in air for about 1 year, did however yield a very small amount of  $(CH_3)_2P(S)$ - $OP(S)(CH_3)_2$  upon sublimation under vacuum, suggesting that oxygen substitution in the ligands can occur upon exposure to air, but the reaction rates must be extremely slow.

Electronic Spectra.—The reflectance spectra of the solids are similar to the spectra of dichloromethane solutions (except for the hypsochromic shifts noted previously<sup>11</sup>), which is strong evidence for the retention of the planar geometry in solution. The crystal packing, where known,<sup>10,11</sup> and the solution molecular weight determinations reinforce the contention that the absorbing species in solution are indeed monomers in contrast with the cobalt compounds, where the degree of polymerization in solution is in some cases an unresolved problem.<sup>9</sup> Solutions of the complexes were observed to obey the Beer-Lambert law within experimental error over the concentration range  $10^{-2}$ – $10^{-4}$ M. The spectra are collected in Table VI and, as representative illustrations, the spectra of the Ni, Pd, and Pt fluoro complexes are shown in Figure 2. All of the nickel and platinum complexes (with the exception of the platinum sulfur-deficient dimer  $Pt_2S_6P_4(CF_3)_8$ illustrated in Figure 3) and the Pd ( $X = CH_3$ , C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, and  $CF_3$ ) complexes show almost perfectly symmetric Gaussian band shapes for the first (lowest energy) visible band in keeping with single-crystal spectral results<sup>13</sup> on Ni- $(S_2PX_2)_2$  (X = OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), which also did not show any components under the envelope of this band. Thus the entire Ni system is represented by the spectrum illustrated for  $Ni(S_2PF_2)_2$  in Figure 2, and the illustrated Pt(S<sub>2</sub>PF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> spectrum in Figure 2 represents the following systems: M = Pt; X = F,  $CH_3$ ,  $C_6H_5$ ,  $OC_2H_5$ ; and M = Pd;  $X = CF_3$ ,  $CH_3$ ,  $C_5H_5$ . The lowenergy asymmetry shown in the spectrum of Pd(S2- $PF_2$  also occurs in the spectrum of  $Pd[S_2P(OC_2H_5)_2]_2$ and is found unchanged in all samples of these compounds obtained from different preparations, indicating that the band shape is real, although the previously published spectrum of  $Pd[S_2P(OC_2H_5)_2]_2$  did not reveal this feature.12 The observed similarity of spectral behavior of the F and OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> complexes is consistent with the observed similarity of behavior exhibited by this pair of ligands in all complexes so far investigated.<sup>6-9</sup> It is somewhat disconcerting that similar splittings were not observed with  $X = CH_3$ ,  $C_6H_5$ ,

Table III

Assign-	ment	бсн <sub>з</sub>				PC_F	1			₽₽_0		₽₽_F		8-4u				vp_S					8-W4	
(,	Pt			1302 w	1294 wsh	1210 ssh	1187 s 1171 s 1140 s					~~~	892 m	756 w 722 w		676 m 622 ssh	614 s	008 msn 538 m	490 m 473 m		380 m	326 w )	306 w \	282 wsh) 271 w
CF3	Ъd			1302 w	1204 s		1184 s 1174 w 1145 m						885 m	756 w 721 m	684 wsh	671 m 628 msh	620 s 2001	602 wsn 538 m	534 msh 473 m	419 m	M OTT	372 s 327 m	303 s	279 w
	N			1303 w	1202 s		1182 s 1172 s		$1078 \mathrm{~m}$				884 m	756 m 722 w	697 wsh	685 s 632 ssh	626 s	608 msh 537 msh	$534 \mathrm{m}$ $474 \mathrm{s}$	664	378 ssh	373 s 337 s	332 ssh	284 wsh 278 w
	ħ											897 s 886 ssh		720 m		688 s 670 wsh		557 ш		401t	421 wsu 402 s	368 w 345 m	304 wsh	300 m
	Pd											895 s 864 wsh		722 w		688 s 670 wsh		561 m		1	452 wsn 403 s	350 m	311 s	299 m
	Ņ											895 s 855 wsh		722 w		688 s 670 weh		561 m		-	432 wsn 404 s	340 m	312 s	299 msh
	Pt		1278 w					1156 m	A 1011	1047 s 1008 s 966 s			813 s	799 ssh 778 msh 722 msh			623 s	530 m			400 w	350 w	× 000	302 s 290 wsh
	Pd		1277 w					1157 m	M 1011	1049 ssh 1010 s 967 s			814 s	800 ssh 777 msh 721 msh			625 s	534 m			396 w	25.1 m	311 s	305 msh
	N		1277 w					1158 m	1101 m	1044 ssh 1000 s 963 s			817 ssh	805 s 782 msh 723 wsh		640 e	e OEO	546 m			394  w	9EA 6	332 wsh	326 w
	Pt 1401 -	1401 S	1302 w					1178 w 1156 w	1101 s 1095 s 1061 w	1044 5 993 m				741 s 714 msh	704 s	683 s	616  m	598 m 565 s	483 m	463 wsh	455 w 450 wsh	362 m		$299 \mathrm{~m}$
-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	Pd	1432 S	1303 w					1178 w 1156 w	1102 s 1095 s 1063 w	1022 S 094 m				746 w 716 msh	708 s	687 s	621 m	603  m 573  s	197	465 w	453 w	356 m 290 m	308 s	305 msh
	IN .	-1433 S	1304 w					1178 w 1157 w	1103 s 1095 m 1063 w	1022 W 994 m				746 s 716 msh	710 s	687 msh	625 m	609 m 576 s	100	465 w	454 w	360 wsh	009 III	
	F	1411 w 1395 w	1901	1279 m							941 s 936 s 897 m	III /88	846 m	732 s				568 s	502 s				308 m	300 s 267 m
CH3	ЪЧ	1412 m 1394 m 1382 m		1279 m							940 s 935 ssh 898 m	H 200	847 m	735 w				576 s	506 s				309 s	283 m 268 m
	N	1412 m 1394 m 1381 m	- 1061	1279 m							940 s 934 s 900 m	ш 068	848 m 844 m	837 w 736 w				586 s	513 s			170	347 S	283 m 271 m

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# DITHIOPHOSPHINIC ACID COMPLEXES OF Ni, Pd, AND Pt

			X		
	CH3 10 <sup>-3</sup> v (10 <sup>4</sup> f)	$C_{\theta}H_{5}$ 10 <sup>-3</sup> $\nu$ (10 <sup>4</sup> $f$ )	OC₂H₅ 10-*µ (104f)	F $10^{-3}\nu$ (10 <sup>4</sup> f)	CF3 10 <sup>-3</sup> v (10 <sup>4</sup> f)
Ni	13.77(8.22)	13.58(11.1)	14.54(8.42)	14.08(7.72)	1265(565)
	17.90 (12.6)	17.75 (15.8)	19.10(13.5)	18.91(9.12)	17.33(3.25)
				( <b>)</b>	21.2 (13)  sh
	$\sim 25.6~(130)~{ m sh}$	24.9 (190) sh	25.9 (132) sh	25.49 (59.8) sh	24.3(25) sh
	30.18 (3280)	29.75 (4270)	31.27(4580)	32.00 (2360)	30.55(2130)
	$\sim 34.1 (210)$ ?	$\sim 32.8 (390)$ ?	35.6 (1010) sh	36.4 (610) sh	$\sim 34.8(120)$ ?
	39.5 (200) i	37.1(1410)	40 (?)	40.0(470) sh	39.3 (100) sh
	$43.2 (\sim 4000)$	43.6 (?)	43.2 (4000)	?	$43.6 (\sim 500)$
Pd			21.28(33.1)	19.7 (5.4) sh	
	20.48(43.5)	20.02(62.3)	23.2 (3.3) sh	22.31(33.7)	20.20(37.5)
	28.1 (380) sh	27.4 (580) sh	29.3 (450) sh	29.0 (250) sh	27.4 (270) sh
	32.82 (4610)	32.00(5690)	33.90(4160)	34.49(4020)	32.87(4570)
	$\sim \!\! 36.4 \; (550)$ ?	36.2 (2600) sh	38.7 (1100) sh	39.2 (1130) sh	37.3 (580) sh
	2	43.6 (510) sh	$\sim 44.4 (604)$ ?	45.8 (1700)	44.8 (880)
Pt	$\sim 19.8~(1.7)$ ?	$\sim 19.6~(2.3)$ ?	$\sim 20.6 \ (0.71)$	$\sim 20.3 (1)$	25.0 (150) sh
	22.93(21.2)	22.43(34.3)	23.86(16.0)	23.16(13.3)	29.2 (480) sh
	$\sim 31.4~(54)$ ?	$\sim 28.7 (140)$ ?	$\sim 31.0~(280)$ ?	29.7 (80) sh	31.6 (150) sh
	<b>33</b> .9 (220) sh	<b>33</b> .0 (550) sh	35.4 (490) sh	35.10(254)	34.8 (?) sh
	37.8 (1500) sh	36.8 (2800) sh	39.3 (835) sh	40.6 (2700)	39.1 (?)
	42.11 (5000)	43.34 (5000)	42.5 (5000)	46.0 (?)	41.2(?)

 TABLE VI

 ELECTRONIC SPECTRA OF PLANAR M[S2PX2]2 COMPLEXES<sup>a,b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> In CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution. <sup>b</sup> Positions of band maxima, in units of 1000 cm<sup>-1</sup>, are followed by the oscillator strengths  $(f) \times 10^4$  in parentheses, where  $f = 4.60 \times 10^{-9} \epsilon_{\max} \Delta \nu_{1/2}$ . Abbreviations are: sh = band is observed as shoulder; i = band detected as minor inflection only; ? = no shoulder nor inflection observed, but further band required to account for total intensity, assuming Gaussian form for both sides of peaks.



Figure 2.—Visible and ultraviolet spectra of  $M[S_2PF_2]_2$  complexes of Ni, Pd, and Pt in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution. The spectra were determined on approximately  $5 \times 10^{-3} M$  solutions. The absorption scales are similar to each other but are not identical. In all cases the uv absorption scale is  $1/_{100}$ th that of the visible scale.

or CF<sub>3</sub> complexes of Pd. None of the four Pt compounds nor the remaining three Pd complexes with spectra similar to the  $Pt(S_2PF_2)_2$  spectrum in Figure 2 provide any concrete evidence (*i.e.*, inflections in the envelope) to support the extraction of a band from the low-energy side of the lowest visible band as suggested by the inflections on the low-energy band of the Pd (X = F, OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) complexes; however the tailing properties of this band in the platinum compounds would allow for such a component. Recent MCD studies<sup>14</sup> of Ni[S<sub>2</sub>P(OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> and Ni[S<sub>2</sub>CN(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> complexes suggested that the first excited state of both of the



Figure 3.—Electronic absorption spectrum of  $Pt_2S_{\delta}P_4(CF_3)_8$  in  $CH_2Cl_2$  solution. The ultraviolet absorption scale is one-tenth that of the visible.



Figure 4.—Coordinate system used for the square-planar complexes.

compounds is degenerate; thus the order of levels suggested<sup>14</sup> is  $d_{z^2} < d_{x^2-y^2} < d_{zz}$ ,  $d_{yz} < d_{zy}$  after conversion to the coordinate system illustrated in Figure 4. The ligand field analysis<sup>23</sup> using the same coordinate system suggests the order  $d_{z^2} < d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{yz} < d_{x^2-y^2} < d_{zy}$ ; that is,  $d_{x^2-y^2}$  and the  $d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{yz}$  pair should be interchanged. It should also be noted that the highest actual symmetry possible in this system of planar dithiophosphinates is  $D_{2h}$  in which the  $d_{xz}$  and  $d_{yz}$  orbitals trans-

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form as the B<sub>2g</sub> and B<sub>3g</sub> irreducible representations, respectively, thus formally removing their  $D_{4h}$  degeneracy. If, however, the "effective" coordination ends at the sulfur atoms, as has been suggested,<sup>24</sup> the symmetry of the "effective" ligand field experienced by the central metal atom would be nearly  $D_{4h}$ . Studies of single crystal polarized spectra of Ni[S<sub>2</sub>P(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> and Ni[S<sub>2</sub>P(OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> unfortunately have not provided conclusive assignments for the electronic spectra and present interpretations are at variance with the MCD results.<sup>14</sup> Studies of single crystal polarized spectra at variable temperature and additional MCD studies on this system (and in particular on the Pd(S<sub>2</sub>PX<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> complexes) may ultimately resolve this problem.

Even without firm spectral assignments, it is still possible to arrange the ligands in a spectrochemical order of the substituent X based on the position of the first visible band. The order obtained,  $OC_2H_5 > F >$  $CH_3 > C_6H_5 \sim CF_3$ , is in agreement with that found elsewhere<sup>6-9</sup> for the same series of ligands in different geometrical situations. Again, the  $\pi$ -bonding capability of the lone pairs of the substituent appears to dominate the possible inductive effects; for example,  $CF_3$  substituents produce a weaker ligand field effect than  $F^{.6-9}$ 

Polarographic Results .- Previous polarographic investigations of  $Ni[S_2P(OC_2H_5)_2]_2$  in ethanol showed a single irreversible reduction wave with a half-wave potential of -0.552 V vs. see using 0.2 M NaClO<sub>4</sub> as a supporting electrolyte.25 Investigations of the redox behavior of  $Ni[S_2P(CH_3)_2]_2$  at a rotating platinum electrode in acetonitrile solution reveal a single oxidation wave at +1.8 V and two reduction waves at -0.5 and -0.8 V vs. the Ag|AgNO<sub>3</sub>, 0.1 M couple also in acetonitrile. It has been reported that acetonitrile has very little effect on the visible spectrum of  $Ni[S_2P(OC_{2^-}$  $H_5_{2}_{2^{26}}$  and hence is assumed to be only weakly coordinating, perturbing the energy levels of the complex only slightly. Ethanol is known to have a profound effect on the visible spectrum of  $Co[S_2PX_2]_2$  complexes<sup>9,27</sup> but appears to have little effect on the spectrum of Ni  $[S_2P(OC_2H_5)_2]_2$ , whereas water seems to affect only the intensity of the bands,<sup>12</sup> indicating an "all-or-nothing" ligand substitution. Isolation and characterization of a reduced or oxidized form of the complexes should provide valuable information on the ground state and perhaps aid in the resolution of the excited-state geometry problem.<sup>28</sup> Work is proceeding along these lines.

Vibrational and Electronic Spectral Correlations.— An interesting correlation between Ni–S distances in planar complexes and the ligand field strengths (taken from the energy of the first electronic transition) has been recently reported.<sup>11</sup> It seemed reasonable to assume that variable M–S distances should be reflected in the M–S stretching frequencies of planar  $M[S_2PX_2]_2$  complexes, with due concern for the changing mass effect with X. Recently similar studies have been reported for planar N-coordinated copper compounds in which nearly straight-line correlations were

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	TABLE VII
LIGAND	FIELD METAL-SULFUR VIBRATIONAL
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м	x	$\nu_{M-S}$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>b</sup>	$(10^3 \text{ cm}^{-1})$	Average M-S bond length (Å) <sup>c</sup>
NG	CH.	346(347)	13 77	0 0 0 0
111	CH	220 (220)	10.77	2,200
		009 (009)	10.00	2.230(1)
	$OC_2H_5$	353 (354)	14.53	2.233(4)
	F	348(349)	14.08	
	$CF_3$	334(337)	12.75	
$\mathbf{Pd}$	$CH_3$	307 (309)	20.48	
	$C_6H_5$	306 (308)	20.02	
	$OC_2H_5$	309(311)	21.28	
			23.2	
	F	309(311)	19.7	
			22.31	
	$CF_3$	300 (303)	20.20	
Pt	$CH_3$	299(300)	22.93	
	$C_{6}H_{5}$	295~(299)	22.43	
	$\mathrm{OC}_{2}\mathrm{H}_{5}$	304(302)	23.86	
	F	298(300)	23.16	
	CF3			

<sup>a</sup> Spectra obtained from  $CH_2Cl_2$  solutions. <sup>b</sup> Bands observed in ''window'' of  $CH_2Cl_2$  spectrum, 300-450 cm<sup>-1</sup>; values in parentheses are band positions observed in Nujol mulls. <sup>c</sup> Bond lengths taken from ref 10a, 11, and 10c, respectively.

found between the square of the metal-ligand stretching frequency  $(\nu^2_{M-N})$  and the first d-d band  $(\nu_{1 el})$  in the electronic spectrum.29 We have investigated the possibility of such a correlation in the present system. The molecular environment was standardized by comparing vibrational and electronic spectra obtained in dichloromethane solution which presents a window in the infrared spectrum between 300 and 450  $cm^{-1}$  in which M-S vibrations<sup>30</sup> are observed. The available bond length and frequency data are presented in Table VII. The mass effect of the substituent cannot be estimated in a simple way so that a simple plot of  $\nu^2_{\rm M-S}$  vs.  $\nu_{\rm 1\,el}$ (Figure 5) might not be expected to yield a straight line. This unsophisticated approach yields a surprisingly good linear correlation for the Ni[S<sub>2</sub>PX<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> compounds, indicating that the substituent mass effect is not predominant. The small spread in the vibrational frequencies observed for  $v_{M-S}$  in the Pd and Pt cases makes such an analysis less meaningful when the uncertainty associated with these frequencies is at least  $\pm 1$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. However, the infrared spectrochemical order observed for the nickel compounds predicts that the Ni-S bond lengths should occur in the order (by X)  $\mathrm{OC}_2H_5 < \mathrm{F} < \mathrm{CH}_3 < \mathrm{C}_6\mathrm{H}_5 < \mathrm{CF}_3,$  where the average Ni-S bond length order observed<sup>10,11</sup> is found to be  $OC_2H_5 < CH_3 < C_6H_5$ . It is recognized that the spread between the bond lengths is nearly within their standard deviations; nevertheless, the order is considered significant.

The "Sulfur-Deficient Dimer" of Platinum,  $Pt_2S_6$ - $P_4(CF_3)_8$ .—The reaction of  $PtCl_2$  or  $K_2PtCl_4$  with  $(CF_3)_2PS_2H$  did not yield the monomeric complex  $Pt[S_2P(CF_3)_2]_2$ , but rather a dinuclear species of empirical formula  $Pt_2S_6P_4(CF_3)_8$ . Dimers of the expected type are well known for pseudotetrahedrally coordinated metal complexes of dithiophosphinates,<sup>1,4,9</sup> but this "dimer," deficient by two sulfur atoms per molecule, is a most unexpected variation. From a knowledge of the products of the reaction between

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Figure 5.—A plot of the square of the metal-sulfur infrared stretching frequency  $(\nu_{M-S})$  vs. the energy of the first electronic absorption band  $(\nu_{1 el})$  for the square-planar Ni[S<sub>2</sub>PX<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> complexes. The vertical error lines represent an uncertainty of  $\pm 2$  cm<sup>-1</sup> in  $\nu_{M-S}$ .

PtCl<sub>2</sub> and  $(CF_3)_2P(S)SH$ , eq 1 may be written. How-2PtCl<sub>2</sub> +  $6(CF_3)_2P(S)SH \longrightarrow Pt_2S_6P_4(CF_3)_8 + 2(CF_3)_2P(S)Cl + 2H_2S + 2HCl + 2S$  (1)

ever, the reaction is slow and quantitative results have not been obtained. The compound has been characterized by chemical and mass spectral analysis, with the parent ion molecule and S<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup> ions showing strongly in mass spectra of the sublimable solid reaction products. Solution molecular weight studies were hampered by the large molecular weight and limited solubility in suitable solvents but indicated that the dinuclear species does not dissociate in halocarbon solvents. The mass spectrum has a prominent ion which has been identified as  $PtS_3P_2(CF_3)_4^+$  by mass measurement in addition to the parent ion indicating that the dimer structure may be symmetrical such that it can readily split in half. The infrared spectrum differs markedly from that of the other complexes of  $(CF_3)_2PS_2^-$  discussed here and the electronic spectrum as shown in Figure 3 is also markedly dissimilar to those of the "normal" platinum complexes illustrated in Figure 2. The <sup>19</sup>F nmr spectrum (Figure 6) may be explained on the basis of a bridged dimer structure (Figure 7). The simple doublet ( $\phi = 71$  ppm vs. CCl<sub>3</sub>F, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>PF</sub> = 109 Hz) has similar parameters to those assigned to normal bidentate (CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>PS<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> ligand units on Pd and Ni (vide supra), Zn, Cd, and Hg.<sup>9</sup> The other group which can be approximately described as a doublet of doublets of "triplets" (Figure 6) at  $\phi = 59$  ppm (vs. CCl<sub>3</sub>F) possesses equal total intensity to the first and is assigned to the bridging  $(CF_3)_2P$  structural unit in the complex. The major doublet separation of 79 Hz is assigned to phosphorus-CF<sub>3</sub> coupling,  ${}^{2}J_{PF}$ , the lower value being typical of a "trivalent" (CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>P unit<sup>31</sup> or a (CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>P unit coordinated to metals<sup>32</sup> rather than a normal  $(CF_3)_2PS_2^-$  ligand which has  ${}^2J_{PF}$  values of approximately 110 Hz.<sup>9,21a,c</sup> This difference is certainly reasonable for the different electronic environment of the phosphorus atoms which we suggest are part of the bridges. The "triplet" actually possesses an intensity distribution more in keeping with a doublet splitting

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Figure 6—The <sup>19</sup>F nmr spectrum of  $Pt_2S_8P_4(CF_3)_8$  obtained at 56.4 MHz on a saturated solution of the compound in  $CH_2Cl_2$  containing  $\sim 5\%$  CFCl<sub>3</sub>. The line positions are given in cycles to high field of the CFCl<sub>3</sub> reference.



Figure 7.—The proposed structure of  $Pt_2S_6P_4(CF_3)_8$ .

created by 30% natural abundance of the  $^{195}\mathrm{Pt}$  (I = 1/2) isotope. Since the four-bond Pt-F coupling  $({}^{4}J_{PtF})$  is not observed in the normal bidentate ligand part of the spectrum (vide supra) whereas  ${}^{3}J_{PtF} = 41.5$ Hz in  $Pt[S_2PF_2]_2$ , we suggest that the appearance of the 40-Hz doublet is due to the enhanced spin coupling interaction between Pt and F provided by the three bond separation between these nuclei in the  $Pt-P(CF_3)_{2}$ -(S-) bridge (Figure 7); hence the 40-Hz doublet is assigned to  ${}^{3}J_{PtF}$ . The further spacing of 5 Hz can be assigned to coupling of the distant phosphorus across the bridge ( ${}^{5}J_{PF}$ ), but on close examination each component of the  $\phi = 59$  ppm region appears to consist of two outer strong lines with another line in between (all of which are fairly broad) which is reminiscent of  $X_6AA'X'_6$ ("deceptively simple") spectra observed elsewhere.<sup>33</sup> There do not appear to be any coupling interactions between "bridging" and "nonbridging" ligand groups. Unfortunately, the compound was not sufficiently soluble in toluene or CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> to enable the <sup>31</sup>P nmr spectrum to be obtained, for this would have provided additional support for direct Pt-P bonds. An X-ray single-crystal study is presently under way.<sup>34</sup> Preliminary results show that the molecule contains two platinum atoms and the unit cell contains eight molecules; however, unusual difficulties in obtaining good crystals have delayed solution of the structure.<sup>34</sup>

Several attempts to prepare the missing member of the present series of compounds, namely  $Pt[S_2P(CF_3)_2]_2$ , have been made. A reaction of  $K_2PtCl_4$  with molten

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# Infrared Intensities of the Carbonyl Stretching Vibrations in Cyclopentadienyliron Dicarbonyl Derivatives

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The integrated infrared intensities of the  $\nu_{CO}$  stretching vibrations have been determined for a series of iron complexes of the types  $(C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2X$  (where X = Cl, I, CN, SnCl<sub>3</sub>, or  $C(O)CH_3$ ) and  $(C_8H_5CH_2C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2P(C_8H_5)_3$  in chloroform solution. Dipole moment derivatives for the carbonyl stretching modes have been calculated assuming that the A' and A'' vibrational modes each exhibit a characteristic MCO group moment derivative. Variations in these derivatives as a function of the angle ( $\theta$ ) between MCO groupings in the series of complexes have also been considered in detail. In all cases the dipole moment derivatives for the symmetric stretching motion were found to be substantially smaller than that of the corresponding derivatives for the asymmetric stretching motion. It is concluded on the basis of these results that the cyclopentadienyl ligand is primarily acting as a donor grouping in the complexes studied.

# Introduction

The bonding in cyclopentadienyl(transition metal) carbonyls is a subject of active discussion by both theoretical and experimental chemists, and there are still several unanswered questions. The relative importance of the donor and acceptor bonding properties of the cyclopentadienyl ion is one of these unresolved issues. Semiempirical calculations on ferrocene have led to conflicting reports on the charge distribution in this molecule.<sup>1-3</sup> Recently, photoelectron spectroscopy measurements on several  $\pi$ -cyclopentadienylmetal complexes have indicated the ring carbons of the cyclopentadienyl residues to be slightly positively charged.<sup>4</sup> In order to aid in these discussions, as well as for their intrinsic value, the absolute infrared intensities of the carbonyl stretching vibrations in substituted cyclopentadienyliron carbonyl compounds have been measured in chloroform solution. Integrated intensity measurements of the infrared CO stretching vibrations in transition metal carbonyl compounds have given additional information on the electronic character of the CO groupings.<sup>5-17</sup> Specifically, the integrated infrared

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intensities of the CO stretching vibrations have been shown to be highly dependent on the extent of  $\pi$  bonding between the metal and CO.<sup>11,14</sup>

The compounds examined in this study were  $(C_5H_5)$ -Fe(CO)<sub>2</sub>X (where X = Cl, I, CN, SnCl<sub>3</sub>, or C(O)CH<sub>3</sub>) and  $(C_6H_5CH_2C_5H_5)$ Fe(CO)<sub>2</sub>P(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>3</sub>. The experimental data were examined to find correlations between changes in the infrared intensities of the two CO stretching modes in these compounds and the nature of the affixed ligands  $C_5H_5^-$  and X.

### Experimental Section

Preparation of Compounds.—Cyclopentadienyliron dicarbonyl dimer (mp 194° dec) was obtained from Strem Chemicals, Inc. All reactions were performed under a dry nitrogen atmosphere.  $(C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2Cl$ ,<sup>18</sup>  $(C_5H_5)Fe(CO)_2I$ ,<sup>19</sup>  $(C_5H_5)Fe$ 

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