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Platinum Bronzes. II.¹ Crystal Structures of CaPt₂O₄ and Cd_{0.3}Pt₃O₄

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The crystal structures of $CaPt_2O_4$ and $Cd_{0.3}Pt_3O_4$ have been determined from X-ray and neutron diffraction powder data. Refinement of both X-ray and neutron intensity data led to final weighted and unweighted agreement indices of 24.6 and 16.0% for CaPt₂O₄ and 6.8 and 9.8% for the simpler $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$. CaPt₂O₄ has a structure that is the two-dimensional analog of the general platinum bronze structure. It crystallizes in space group D_{4h}^{2} - $P4_{2}/mmc$ of the tetragonal system with two formula units in a cell of dimensions a = 5.7786 (5) A and c = 5.5989 (7) A. The structure appears to be a unique one involving nonintersecting Pt chains in the x and y directions. Pt chain compounds in one and three dimensions are known and $CaPt_2O_4$ forms the missing two-dimensional link. $Cd_{0.3}Pt_3O_4$ possesses the NiPt_3O_4 structure involving Pt chains in the x, y, and z directions. It crystallizes in space group $O_h^{-3}-Pm3n$ of the cubic system with two formula units in a cell with a cell edge of 5.6423 (4) Å. The unusual formal oxidation states of Pt in both compounds are explained by extensive metallic bonding between the Pt atoms.

Introduction

Interest in the oxides of platinum arises first of all from their very existence. Platinum metal is used extensively as an inert material in high-temperature chemistry. Knowledge of the conditions under which the metal will react chemically is therefore of considerable importance. A further incentive for study of these oxides is the catalytic activity of some illdefined platinum oxides, as exemplified by Adams' catalyst.³

Platinum bronzes are ternary oxides of platinum with the general formula $M_x Pt_3O_4$, where M is generally a group I or II cation and x ranges from zero to one. Palladium also forms this type of oxide. With Pd as the central metal, the Na, Ca, Cd, and Sr bronzes have been synthesized, while with Pt, the Na, Mg, and Ni bronzes are known.¹ While attempting to prepare $CaPt_3O_4$ we obtained the phases $CaPt_2O_4$ and Ca_4PtO_6 . Both these materials were first prepared by Post⁴ and later by McDaniel.⁵ Czaya accidentally prepared single crystals of Ca_4PtO_6 during syntheses of calcium silicates in a platinum crucible using a CaCl₂ flux.⁶ All of our attempts to prepare single crystals of CaPt₂O₄ at atmospheric pressure have been fruitless. CdPt₃O₄ has not been reported before. We have prepared both $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$ and $Cd_1Pt_3O_4$, thereby proving for the first time that x in $M_x Pt_3O_4$ is truly a variable, as was first suggested by Waser and McClanahan for $Na_r Pt_3 O_4$.⁷ No single crystals were obtained.

The unit cell of $CaPt_2O_4$ suggested that its structure might be related to that of $Ni_r Pt_3 O_4$, *i.e.*, the general platinum bronze structure. From initial inspection of the powder diffraction pattern it was clear that only a few variables would have to be determined in order to solve the structure. The pattern furthermore showed no resemblance to that of any of the known AB_2O_4 structures. Therefore, a combined Xray and neutron powder diffraction study was undertaken.

Only $Cd_{0,3}Pt_{3}O_{4}$ could be prepared in sufficient quantity to carry out a neutron diffraction study. The X-ray powder diffraction pattern of Cd_{0.3}Pt₃O₄ shows that it has the general platinum bronze structure. Since Cd is a better X-ray

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scatterer than Ni or Na, we hoped to find out in the present instance whether the counterions (Cd^{2+}) are ordered or randomly distributed over the available lattice sites. Furthermore, because the earlier X-ray diffraction study on Ni_xPt₃-O₄ failed to distinguish between a centric and noncentric structure, an X-ray and neutron study was carried out on $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$ in order to try to resolve these problems.

Experimental Section

Both CaPt₂O₄ and Cd_{0.3}Pt₃O₄ were prepared by the reaction of $(NH_4)_2$ PtCl₆ with the corresponding carbonate under an atmosphere of O_2 .

X-Ray powder diffraction data for CaPt₂O₄ were collected in the continuous scan mode on a Picker diffractometer. Monochromatic Co K $\overline{\alpha}$ radiation was obtained from the (200) plane of a LiF crystal. X-Ray powder data for $Cd_{0.3}Pt_3O_4$ were collected in the step-scan mode on a Norelco diffractometer. Monochromatic Cu K $\overline{\alpha}$ radiation was obtained from the (002) plane of a graphite crystal. In both instances the samples were approximately 2 mm thick and were in the flat-plate geometry. Accordingly, no correction for absorption is necessary.9

The neutron diffraction data were obtained with the Argonne computer aided diffraction equipment¹⁰ at the CP-5 reactor. The data for CaPt₂O₄ were collected on the heavy-duty powder unit with $\lambda = 1.20$ Å obtained from the (111) plane of a germanium monochromator. Two θ step scans (0.2° step) were timed with a fission monitor (approximately 15 min/step). Data for Cd_{0,3}Pt₃O₄ were obtained from the smaller unit, i.e., a Picker X-ray unit modified for neutron diffraction. Its monochromatic beam (1.050 Å) is obtained in transmission from the (110) planes of a Be single crystal. Step scans were also obtained in 0.2° steps for a time of approximately 15 min per point. Samples were loaded in cylindrical vanadium cans (5 mil wall thickness) with a diameter of $\frac{3}{8}$ in. for CaPt₂O₄ and 0.25 in. for $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$. The correction for absorption of the data from $CaPt_2O_4$ proved to be negligible; that for $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$ was not since the linear absorption coefficient is 1.25 cm⁻¹.¹¹ The usual correction for cylindrical geometry was therefore made, based on the measured packing density of 0.25.

The powder spectra for CaPt₂O₄ were fully indexed on the basis of a tetragonal unit cell of dimensions a = 5.7786 (5) and c = 5.5989(7) A based on the least-squares refinement of the X-ray line positions calibrated against TICI (a = 3.8421 Å).¹² The theoretical density for two formula units in the cell is 8.8 g/cm³. From pycnometric measurements on the extremely finely powdered material a lower limit for the observed density is 7 g/cm³

The powder spectra for $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$ were indexed on the basis of

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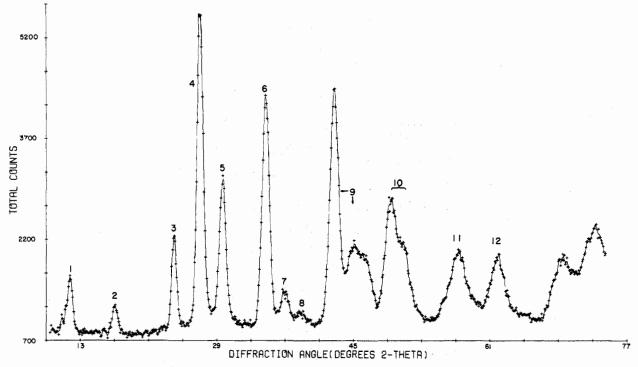


Figure 1. Neutron diffraction data for $CaPt_2O_4$. A five-point smoothed line is drawn through the experimental points. The peak numbers refer to those in Table I.

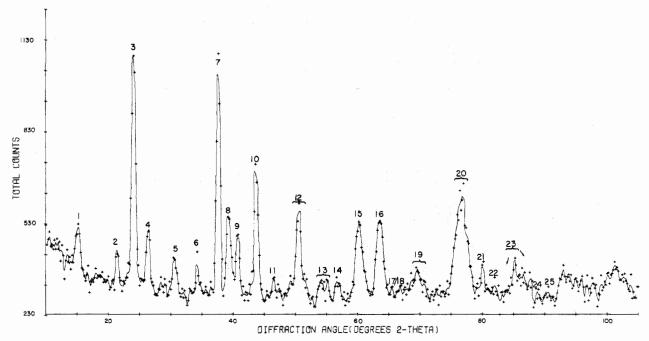


Figure 2. Neutron diffraction data for $Cd_{0.3}Pt_3O_4$. A five-point smoothed curve is drawn through the experimental points. The peak numbers refer to those in Table III.

a cubic unit cell with edge 5.6423 (4) Å, again obtained from a leastsquares analysis of the calibrated X-ray line positions. This cell edge may be compared with a = 5.688 Å for Cd₁Pt₃O₄. The theoretical density of 12.7 g/cm³ for four formula units in the cell may be compared with a lower limit to the experimental density of 8 g/cm³.

Figures 1 and 2 show the experimental neutron diffraction data for the two compounds. The X-ray data are not shown but are of comparable quality.

Intensities were obtained from the graphed spectra, using a Keuffel and Esser Model 620015 compensating polar planimeter, and standard deviations in these intensities were estimated taking into account the counting statistics and the base levels of the peaks.

Tables I and II give the fully indexed neutron and X-ray powder patterns of $CaPt_2O_4$. The numbers of the observed peaks in Table I refer to those in Figure 1. The 2θ angle is given in degrees. Thus,

we confirm the tetragonal unit cell proposed by Post.³ Systematic absences were observed for l = 2n + 1 in the *hhl* reflections. The possible space groups are then $P4_2/mmc$, P42c, or $P4_2mc$. Because of the overlap of intensity data we could not distinguish between these possibilities and therefore the space group with highest symmetry, D_{4h}^{9} - $P4_2/mmc$, was chosen.

The powder patterns of $Cd_{0.3}Pt_3O_4$ for neutrons and X-rays are given in Tables III and IV. The observed intensities in Table III have been corrected for absorption. The pattern fits that of the general Pt bronze structure. The space group is either O_h^3 -Pm3n or T_d^4n - $P\overline{4}3n$ based on the absence of *hhl* for *l* odd.

Structure Refinement

Refinement of the structures was effected through the method of least squares¹³ in which the function minimized is $\Sigma w (I_0 - I_c)^2$, where

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 $I_{\rm c}$ is the absorption-corrected intensity and where $I_{\rm c}$ is the intensity calculated for that particular reflection or group of overlapping reflections and where $w = 1/\sigma^2(I_0)$. Calculated intensities were based on the usual Lorentz-polarization factors, multiplicities, and appropriate scattering factors. For the X-ray data the atomic scattering factors for neutral Ca, Cd, Pt, and O atoms were from the calcula-tions of Cromer and Waber.¹⁴ Anomalous dispersion terms for Co $K\overline{\alpha}$ radiation were taken from Cooper¹⁵ while those for Cu K\overline{\alpha} radiation were taken from Cromer and Liberman.¹⁶ The neutron scattering factors were from the tabulation by Bacon.¹⁷ Agreement indices are defined as

$$R = (\Sigma |I_0 - I_c| / \Sigma I_0) \times 100$$

and

$$R_{\rm w} = ((\Sigma w (I_{\rm o} - I_{\rm c})^2 / \Sigma w I_{\rm o}^2)^{1/2}) \times 100$$

CaPt, O_4 . Post concluded that the Pt atoms occupy the 4j (x, 0, 0)) positions in $P4_2$ /mmc. Our crystallographic data exclude any positions which impose further systematic absences, besides the general condition hhl, l = 2n + 1 (see Table II). This leaves two possible unique positions for the platinum. Crystal packing and approximate bond distance calculations supported Post's initial choice. The neutron diffraction data show that the most likely positions for the oxygen atoms are in 8n $(x, x, \frac{1}{4})$. With Pt and O in these positions, the only chemically reasonable position for the Ca atom is in $2c (0, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$. With the atoms placed in these positions, only two positional parameters need to be determined, namely those of Pt and O. A model showed that the most satisfying structure was obtained if both these parameters were chosen as $\frac{1}{4}$. These were the initial parameters for the least-squares refinement. The strategy of refinement took into account the relative scattering powers of the various atoms for X-rays and neutrons (Table V). Thus, the Pt positional parameter (and later the temperature factor as well) was varied in the refinement of the X-ray data. These parameters were then held constant in the refinement of the neutron data, while the oxygen positional parameter (and later its temperature factor) was varied. Initial temperature factors were zero, and only after the positional parameters had been refined were the temperature factors added as variables. Finally an attempt was made to vary the Ca temperature factor, using both data sets separately.

Because of the highly unusual structure that resulted, a structure that contains large voids and somewhat unusual coordination of the oxygen atoms, a difference Fourier synthesis was calculated. Such a synthesis, calculated from overlapping powder diffraction data, will be impossible unless one either omits all overlapping reflections or estimates the intensities for individual reflections which overlap one another. We took the latter approach using the following calculation. If I_0 contains h_1, h_2, \cdots , etc., then

$$I_{o}(\mathbf{h}_{i}) = I_{c}(\mathbf{h}_{i}) \frac{\sum I_{o}(\mathbf{h}_{i})}{\sum I_{c}(\mathbf{h}_{i})}$$

Here $\Sigma_i I_0(\mathbf{h_i})$ is the observed intensity of all the overlapping reflections, and $\Sigma_{i}I_{c}(h_{i})$ is the intensity calculated according to the model structure. From $I_0(h_i)$, $F_0(h_i)$ is readily derived. The values of $F_{o}(h_{i})$ along with the calculated phase for h_{i} were used in the difference Fourier summation. Because of the smaller number of overlapping reflections this calculation was based on X-ray data. The resulting difference map is featureless as it shows no peaks above 1 e/ A³. We also attempted to vary the Pt occupancy factor and simultaneously to insert some electron density in the position that would correspond to that of a third Pt atom as found in the general bronze structure (2e or 4g). No change in the Pt occupancy factor was ob-

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Table V.	Relative Contribution to F ² in Neutron	and
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		CaPt ₂ O	4	$Cd_{0.3}Pt_{3}O_{4}$				
	% Ca	% Pt	%	% Cd	% Pt	% 0		
X-Ray	3	95	2	4	95	1		
Neutron	7	53	39	. 1	66	33		

served, and the occupancy factor of an additional Pt atom refined essentially to zero.

The final agreement indices reflect the serious overlap problem encountered and are $R_w = 16.9$ and 18.3%, and R = 24.6 and 16.0% for the X-ray and neutron data, respectively. The final parameters are given in Table VI.

 $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$. The powder patterns of $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$ clearly showed that it is isotypical with $Ni_{0.25}Pt_3O_4$.¹ A careful scan was made in order to try to detect any extra peaks that might result from a possible ordering of the Cd ions. No peaks were observed that could not be indexed on the basis of the simple Pt bronze structure.

We refined the X-ray data using the positional parameters of the centrosymmetric Ni bronze structure. Subsequently, the neutron data were refined both in space groups Pm3n and in the noncentrosymmetric group $P\overline{4}3n$, the only difference being the positional parameters of the oxygen atoms [(1/4, 1/4, 1/4)) in *Pm3n* and (x, x, x) in *P43n*]. The value of R_w obtained for x = 0.24 was 13.3% and was higher for x values farther away from 0.25, while it was 11.4%for x = 0.25. Thus the structure seems to be centrosymmetric. (A noncentrosymmetric bronze-like structure has been reported for Ag_3PO_4 and Ag_3AsO_4 .¹⁸)

Because of the nonstoichiometry of Cd_{0.3}Pt₃O₄ the Cd occupancy factor was varied in the refinement of the X-ray data set. The final value (0.31 \pm 0.05) agrees reasonably well with that obtained from wet chemical analysis (0.22 ± 0.02) . In the refinement of the X-ray data, the oxygen temperature factor was not varied, while with the neutron data the Cd occupancy factor was held constant. The final agreement indices, R_w and R, were 11.4 and 9.8% for the neutron data and 8.7 and 6.8% for the X-ray data. The final parameters obtained from these refinements are given in Table VII.

Discussion

Figure 3 shows an overall view of the crystal structure of $CaPt_2O_4$. The result is a highly unusual arrangement and, as far as we know, a unique one. The striking features of the structure are the nonintersecting Pt chains in the x and ydirection, the loose packing, and the coordination of the oxygen atoms. Many two-dimensional chain compounds are known, but all of these are better described as layer compounds $[e.g., TaS_2, HgPbP_{14}, and silicates such as Mg_3(Si_4O_{10}) (OH)_2^{19}$]. The only other known material with an arrangement resembling that of $CaPt_2O_4$ is $Hg_{2.85}AsF_6$, which has Hg chains in two dimensions.²⁰ Pt chain compounds in one and three dimensions are known^{1,21} and $CaPt_2O_4$ forms the missing two-dimensional link.

The AB_2O_4 stoichiometry is a quite common one for ternary oxides. Kugimiya and Steinfink²² have reviewed the crystal chemistry of these oxides. They propose a scheme for grouping the AB₂O₄ oxides into several known structure types, based on a plot of a "force constant" vs. radius ratio. Their force constant is defined as

$$K_{\rm ab} = X_{\rm a} X_{\rm b} / r_{\rm e}^2$$

where $r_e^2 = (r_a + r_0)^2 + (r_b + r_0)^2 + 1.55(r_a + r_0)(r_b + r_0)$ and the radius ratio is r_a/r_b . X_a and X_b are the electroneg-ativities of A and B. For CaPt₂O₄ one obtains a value of 0.91 for K_{ab} and 1.62 for r_a/r_b .²³ This places the com-

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Table VI. Final Parameters for CaPt₂O₄ from Neutron and X-Ray Data

	x	у	v z	Vyckof nota- tion	f Site sym- metry	B , A^2
Ca	0	$0^{1/2}$	0	2c	mmm	3.9 (2.2) ^a
Pt	0.242 (4)		0	4j	mm	0.7 (2)
O	0.268 (7)		1/4	8n	2	0.7 (9)

^a Errors in parentheses.

Table VII. $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$ Final Parameters from X-Ray and Neutron Data

						Wyckoff	Site
						nota-	sym-
	x	У	Ζ	Occupancy	B , Å ²	tion	metry
Cd	0	0	0	$0.31(3)^a$	2.5 ^b	2a	<i>m</i> 3
Pt	1/4	0	1/2	36	0.6 (2)	6c	$\overline{4}2m$
0	1/4	1/4	1/4	4b	1.9 (1)	8e	32

^a Errors in parentheses. ^b Not varied in refinement.

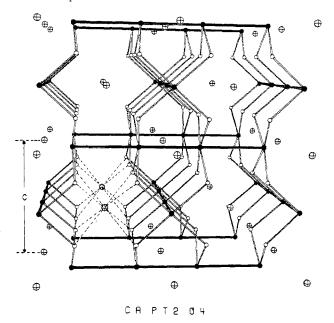


Figure 3. Crystal structure of $CaPt_2O_4$. The platinum and oxygen atoms are drawn as solid and open circles, respectively. The coordination of oxygen atoms around Ca is indicated in the lower left corner.

pound on the borderline between the $BaAl_2O_4$ and normal spinel structure in their diagram. Although this might indicate some unusual behavior for $CaPt_2O_4$, it does not explain its structure which bears no resemblance to either of the two adjacent structure types.

CaRh₂O₄ has been reported to possess the CaFe₂O₄ structure.²⁴ Muller-Buschbaum and von Schenck have argued that A^{II}B^{III}₂O₄ compounds will tend to attain the CaFe₂O₄ structure if $r_a > r_b$, a condition clearly fulfilled for CaPt₂-O₄.²⁵

It seems clear that the structure of $CaPt_2O_4$ is not readily explained if considered separately from those of other platinum bronzes. If one compares Figure 4, which shows the structure of $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$, the general bronze structure, with

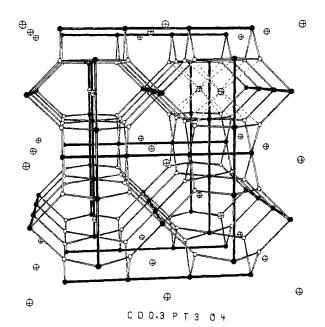


Figure 4. Crystal structure of $Cd_{0.3}Pt_3O_4$. The oxygen atoms are drawn as open circles and the platinum atoms as solid ones. The coordination of oxygen atoms around Cd is indicated in the upper right corner.

Table VIII. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) in $CaPt_2O_4$

Distances											
Pt ₂ -Pt ₂	2.79 (5)ª	16	0-0	2.68 (8)	2						
Pt ₁ -Pt ₃	2.99 (5)	1		2.7994 (3)	2						
Pt-O	2.09 (3)	4		3.09 (8)	2						
Pt-Ca ₁	3.17 (1)	2	Ca-O	2.481 (3)	8						
Pt-Ca ₂	3.21 (1)	2									
Angles											
O-Pt-O	95 (1)	2	Pt ₁ -O-Pt ₂	110 (3)	1						
	171 (2)	2	Ca-O-Ca	173 (3)	1						
	84 (2)	2	0-Ca-O	65 (2)	4						
O-Pt ₁ -Pt ₂	94 (1)	4		68.7 (1)	4						
$O-Pt_1-Pt_3$	86 (1)	4		77 (2)	4						
Pt-O-Ca	87.4 (9)	2		102 (2)	4						
	88.7 (9)	2		113(1)	4 .						
				114 (2)	4						
				180 (0)	4						

 a Errors in parentheses. b Number of equivalent distances (or angles).

Table IX. Interatomic Distances (Å) in $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$

Pt-O Pt-Pt	1.9948 (2) ^a 2.8211 (2)	$\frac{4^{b}}{2}$	0-0 0-Cd	2.8211 (2) 2.4432 (2)	6
Pt-Cd	3.1541 (2)	4	0.04	2.1132 (2)	0

^a Errors in parentheses. ^b Number of equivalent distances.

Figure 3, one sees a striking similarity. By removing the chains of Pt atoms in the z direction from $Cd_{0,3}Pt_3O_4$, we essentially derive the $CaPt_2O_4$ structure. The reason for the unusual behavior of Ca^{2+} is not clear as "CaPt₃O₄" would fit very well in the bronze stability field. One factor that might cause $CaPt_2O_4$ to behave differently is its relatively high formation temperature and its exceptional stability as compared with that of other Pt bronzes.⁸

Bonding in CaPt₂O₄ and Cd_{0.3}Pt₃O₄. Tables VIII and IX summarize the bond distances and angles for CaPt₂O₄ and Cd_{0.3}Pt₃O₄. No unusual distances or coordination are seen in Cd_{0.3}Pt₃O₄, except that here, contrary to the Ni ions in Ni_{0.25}Pt₃O₄, the Cd ions do fit very well in the channels formed by the oxygen atoms. The sum of the Cd²⁺ (VIII) and O²⁻ ionic radii is 2.47 Å, which compares well with the

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observed distance of 2.44 Å. Similarly, the Pt-O distance of 1.99 Å compares well with Pt^{2+} (IV) + (O²⁻) = 2.00 Å. The sp² hybridization of the oxygen atoms accounts readily for the planar-triangular bonding to Pt. The Pt-Pt distance indicates metallic bonding (Pt-Pt in Pt metal is 2.80 Å).

In CaPt₂O₄ the situation seems to be more complex. The Pt atoms are not equidistant but slightly paired, although we presume that all the bonds have metallic character. The Ca²⁺ ions again fit very well in the oxygen channels, as shown by the Ca-O bond length of 2.48 Å (the sum of the ionic radii is 2.52 Å). The oxygen coordination around the Pt is slightly distorted from square planarity, but hardly significantly so. The Pt lies 0.15 (5) Å from the plane defined by the four-coordinated oxygen atoms. As in the general bronze structure, chains of alternating Ca and O atoms run diagonally through the crystal.

Most unusual is the coordination of Pt around oxygen. It was this feature that prompted us to calculate the difference Fourier synthesis and to vary the Pt occupancy factor (as described above) in order to see if some electron density might be found in the channels of the structure. The resulting bonding shows each oxygen atom connected to two platinum atoms, with the angle between them close to 120° [110 (3)°]. This suggests that some electron density centered on the oxygen is pointing toward the position where Pt would be found in the bronze structure. Although such bonding for oxygen is not uncommon (e.g., H_2O) it is highly unusual in a metal oxide. As mentioned before, metallic bonding between the platinum atoms is found in both $Cd_{0.3}Pt_3O_4$ and $CaPt_2O_4$. We are currently investigating some of the physical properties of these and other bronzes in order to look for evidence of metallic behavior in these materials. The results of this study together with details on the preparation and catalytic behavior of the bronzes will be the subjects of future publications.

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Solid Coordination Compounds of Alkali Metal Salts with a Neutral Aromatic Amine.¹ I. Molecular Structure and Bonding

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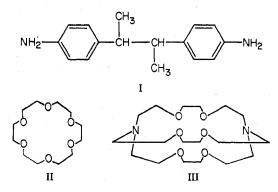
Uni-univalent metal salts, including alkali metal salts, are precipitated from aqueous solution by complexation with racemic p,p'-diamino-2,3-diphenylbutane. The stoichiometry and infrared and solution properties of these compounds are presented and discussed in terms of coordination compounds in which the metal ion is octahedrally coordinated by six amino nitrogen atoms to give an infinite three-dimensional polymeric structure. Evidence is presented for strong metal ion-amino nitrogen bonding as well as interaction between the anion and amino hydrogens. Both of these attractive interactions are attributed to ion dipole forces. Evidence is also presented which strongly indicates that there is little anion-cation interaction.

Introduction

In a previous communication,¹ we reported initial results on the precipitation of simple alkali metal salts such as sodium chloride from aqueous solution by complexation with racemic p,p'-diamino-2,3-diphenylbutane (I). The stoichiometry, constant composition, and infrared spectrum of the NaCl adduct with I was interpreted in terms of a structure in which six nitrogen atoms from six amino groups are octahedrally coordinated about the sodium. This is unusual since of the alkali metals only lithium salts are known to form isolable coordination compounds with nitrogen donor ligands. The more stable are those where the ligand is ammonia, and replacement of ammonia with amines decreases their stability. It is therefore surprising that I, a weakly basic and bulky aromatic amine, can exhibit bonding with sodium.

Unlike nitrogen, there are many examples of oxygen donor ligands which effectively coordinate with alkali metal cations. Some notable recent examples are the macrocyclic ethers

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