

The Crystal and Molecular Structure of Tetra-*n*-butylammoniumcopper(III) Bis(maleonitrile dithiolate) and the Geometry of the Monovalent Copper(III) Bis(maleonitrile dithiolate) Ion¹

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The crystal and molecular structure of tetra-*n*-butylammoniumcopper(III) bis(maleonitrile dithiolate) has been determined from an X-ray diffraction study of a single crystal specimen. The monoclinic unit cell, space group I2/c, with $a = 15.59 \pm 0.02$, $b = 13.83 \pm 0.01$, $c = 27.94 \pm 0.03$ Å., and $\beta = 93.86 \pm 0.03^\circ$, contains eight formula units. Atomic parameters were refined by least-squares methods using three-dimensional data out to $\sin \theta/\lambda = 0.482$. The anion is closely planar with the sulfur atoms in a square arrangement around the copper atom. The symmetry of the anion is mmm to a very close degree. In contrast with the cobalt complex examined previously, the copper atoms are not well separated in the structure and the shortest copper-copper distances are 4.026 and 4.431 Å. All four of the *n*-butyl chains in the cation have the *trans* conformation. Positions of all 36 independent hydrogen atoms were determined from an electron density difference function.

Introduction

In a previous paper² we reported our work on the structure of $((n\text{-C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{N})_2\text{Co}(\text{S}_2\text{C}_4\text{N}_2)_2$, a member of a series of compounds of general formula $R'_z(\text{M}'\text{S}_4\text{C}_4\text{R}_4)^{-z}$ where $z = 0, 1, 2$; $\text{M}' = \text{Co}, \text{Ni}, \text{Cu}, \text{Pd}, \text{Pt}, \text{Zn}, \text{Rh}$; $\text{R} = \text{CN}, \text{CF}_3, \text{C}_6\text{H}_5$, etc., and $\text{R}' = (n\text{-C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{N}^+$, $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{N}^+$, etc. We report in this paper a structure determination of another member of the series, *viz.*, $(n\text{-C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{N}^+\text{Cu}(\text{S}_2\text{C}_4\text{N}_2)_2^-$. We were encouraged to examine this material because it was being used as a host crystal for paramagnetic resonance experiments. Maki, *et al.*,³ have already used the results of this crystallographic study to identify the principal axes of the *g*-value tensor and the hyperfine tensor with the symmetry directions of the anion and to explain some other features of the resonance results.

Experimental

X-Ray Diffraction.—Dr. N. Edelstein of Harvard University kindly supplied us with some well-formed, needle-like, dark red crystals of the complex $(n\text{-C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{N}^+\text{Cu}(\text{S}_2\text{C}_4\text{N}_2)_2^-$. The melting point, analysis, and preparation of these crystals are described in a paper by Davison, *et al.*⁴

X-Ray photographs obtained by the Weissenberg technique and copper radiation established the diffraction symmetry of the crystal. A single crystal, in the form of a long thin plate of approximate dimensions $0.27 \times 0.11 \times 0.07$ mm. and mounted about a b^* axis, was used for collecting the intensity data. Intensities were measured with a General Electric XRD-5 goniostat equipped with a scintillation counter and a pulse height discriminator. Mo K α radiation was used and the unit cell dimensions are based on $\lambda = 0.70926$ Å. for Mo K α_1 .

The space group permits 2803 independent reflections in the sphere with $\sin \theta/\lambda$ less than 0.482 ($2\theta < 40^\circ$), and, of these, 1834 were measured with counting times of 10 sec. each. All reflections in the sphere were recorded up to $2\theta = 30^\circ$. Above 30° , it was found that most of the intensities were quite weak and only

the reflections that gave some ease and economy in setup were measured. Of the 1834 measured reflections, 396 were assigned zero intensity and the maximum count was 4100 counts/sec. for the 002 reflection.

No corrections were made for either absorption or extinction. With $\mu = 10.5$ cm.⁻¹ for Mo radiation, μR is 0.14 or less, making absorption effects rather small.

Calculations were made with an IBM 7094 computer using a full matrix least-squares refinement program written by P. K. Gantzel, R. A. Sparks, and K. N. Trueblood, with minor modifications, and Fourier and distance programs written by Zalkin (all unpublished). We minimized the function $\Sigma w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \Sigma w F_o^2$, where F_o and F_c are the observed and calculated structure factors, respectively, and w is the weighting factor.

Atomic scattering factors were taken as the values given by Ibers⁵ for neutral Cu, S, N, C, and H. Dispersion corrections⁶ of 0.3 and 0.1 electron were added to the Cu and S scattering factors, respectively. The imaginary part of the dispersion correction was ignored.

Results

Unit Cell and Space Group.—A body centered unit cell contains eight formula units $(n\text{-C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{NCu}(\text{S}_2\text{C}_4\text{N}_2)_2$ and is monoclinic with dimensions: $a = 15.59 \pm 0.02$, $b = 13.83 \pm 0.01$, $c = 27.94 \pm 0.03$ Å., $\beta = 93.86 \pm 0.03^\circ$, $V = 6010.5$ Å.³

Reflections are absent unless $h + k + l = 2n$ and $h0l$ reflections are absent unless $l = 2n$. This is consistent with either the centric space group I2/c (C_{2h}^6) or the noncentric space group Ic (C_s^4). The success of our structure determination confirms our choice of the former.

With eight formula units of $(n\text{-C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{NCu}(\text{S}_2\text{C}_4\text{N}_2)_2$ in the unit cell, the density calculated from the X-ray data is 1.30 g./cc. This compares with the value of 1.30 g./cc. found by a flotation method using a mixture of benzene and carbon tetrachloride.

Determination of the Structure.—When all the data had been collected, the observed intensities were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects, and a three-dimensional Patterson function was calculated using

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TABLE I
FINAL COORDINATES AND ISOTROPIC THERMAL PARAMETERS, TOGETHER WITH THEIR STANDARD DEVIATIONS,
FOR ALL ATOMS EXCEPT HYDROGEN

Atom	<i>x</i>	$\sigma(x)$	<i>y</i>	$\sigma(y)$	<i>z</i>	$\sigma(z)$	<i>B</i> ^c	$\sigma(B)^c$
Cu	0.1366	0.0001	0.1851	0.0001	0.2326	0.0001	<i>a</i>	...
S(1)	0.1412	0.0003	0.3401	0.0003	0.2201	0.0001	<i>a</i>	...
S(2)	0.1366	0.0003	0.0302	0.0003	0.2451	0.0001	<i>a</i>	...
S(3)	0.0916	0.0003	0.2160	0.0003	0.3031	0.0001	<i>a</i>	...
S(4)	0.1780	0.0003	0.1534	0.0003	0.1621	0.0001	<i>a</i>	...
N(1)	0.2477	0.0009	0.2738	0.0010	0.0545	0.0006	8.8	0.4
N(2)	0.1830	0.0009	0.5132	0.0011	0.1239	0.0005	8.5	0.4
N(3)	0.0375	0.0009	0.0986	0.0010	0.4136	0.0005	8.2	0.4
N(4)	0.0979	0.0008	0.8519	0.0010	0.3385	0.0005	7.3	0.3
N(5)	0.3307	0.0006	0.3446	0.0007	0.9111	0.0003	3.8	0.2
C(1)	0.1719	0.0008	0.3466	0.0010	0.1618	0.0005	4.3	0.3
C(2)	0.1903	0.0008	0.2659	0.0010	0.1392	0.0005	4.7	0.3
C(3)	0.2217	0.0010	0.2701	0.0012	0.0928	0.0007	7.3	0.4
C(4)	0.1799	0.0010	0.4402	0.0013	0.1412	0.0006	6.4	0.4
C(5)	0.1043	0.0008	0.0247	0.0010	0.3035	0.0005	4.2	0.3
C(6)	0.0864	0.0008	0.1029	0.0010	0.3274	0.0005	4.2	0.3
C(7)	0.0584	0.0010	0.0973	0.0012	0.3752	0.0007	6.9	0.4
C(8)	0.1011	0.0010	0.9287	0.0012	0.8235	0.0005	6.1	0.4
C(9)	0.3670	0.0008	0.4373	0.0009	0.9327	0.0004	4.0	0.3
C(10)	0.3306	0.0009	0.4681	0.0010	0.9789	0.0005	5.5	0.4
C(11)	0.3730	0.0009	0.5634	0.0011	0.9966	0.0005	5.7	0.4
C(12)	0.3343	0.0010	0.6019	0.0012	0.0392	0.0006	7.6	0.4
C(13)	0.3531	0.0009	0.2592	0.0010	0.9436	0.0005	5.0	0.3
C(14)	0.4456	0.0010	0.2435	0.0012	0.9582	0.0006	7.1	0.4
C(15)	0.4466	0.0013	0.1561	0.0013	0.9935	0.0007	9.0	0.5
C(16)	0.5316	0.0020	0.1486	0.0021	0.0195	0.0010	17.4	1.0
C(17)	0.3748	0.0008	0.3331	0.0009	0.8637	0.0005	4.5	0.3
C(18)	0.3412	0.0011	0.2454	0.0013	0.8349	0.0006	7.9	0.4
C(19)	0.3944	0.0010	0.2409	0.0012	0.7873	0.0006	7.6	0.4
C(20)	0.3717	0.0012	0.1512	0.0013	0.7598	0.0006	8.9	0.5
C(21)	0.2335	0.0008	0.3475	0.0009	0.9031	0.0004	4.4	0.3
C(22)	0.1982	0.0009	0.4306	0.0010	0.8725	0.0005	5.3	0.3
C(23)	0.1004	0.0011	0.4318	0.0012	0.8731	0.0006	7.2	0.4
C(24)	0.0611	0.0011 ^b	0.5162	0.0012 ^b	0.8431	0.0006 ^b	10.7	0.4 ^b

^a Treated anisotropically—see Table III. ^b Not actually calculated, but estimated from similar atoms. ^c In Å.².

the 1143 terms whose intensities were measured as 2 counts/sec. or more. With eight molecules in the unit cell, it was probable that all atoms would be in general positions, so that little assistance was obtained from the symmetry of the space group and the use of special positions in locating the positions of the copper atoms. However, plausible positions for the copper atom and the four independent sulfur atoms, all in general positions, 8(f) (0, 0, 0; $1/2, 1/2, 1/2$) $\pm (x, y, z; x, \bar{y}, 1/2 + z)$, were found from the Patterson function by inspection of the highest peaks around the origin and using our knowledge of the geometry of the anion as found in the cobalt compound.

A three-dimensional electron density Fourier was calculated with phases based on the copper and the four sulfur atoms. This function readily revealed the locations of the other 29 heavier atoms, all in general 8(f) positions.

A least-squares refinement with all 34 of these atoms, each having an isotropic temperature factor of the form $\exp(-B\lambda^{-2} \sin^2 \theta)$, and using the 1143 terms, each with unit weight, resulted in a conventional unreliability factor $R = \sum ||F_o - |F_e|| / \sum |F_o|$ of 0.11 after three cycles of refinement. The end two carbon atoms of one of the butyl chains (C(15) and C(16)) were found to be merging, so an electron density map of the immediate

vicinity of these two atoms was calculated using the results of this least-squares refinement. It was then evident that C(16) had been wrongly located. Three further cycles of least-squares refinement using the correct location for C(16) resulted in a drop of R to 0.092 for all the heavy atoms.

The copper and the sulfur atoms were given anisotropic temperature factors of the form $\exp(-\beta_{11}h^2 - \beta_{22}k^2 - \beta_{33}l^2 - 2\beta_{12}hk - 2\beta_{13}hl - 2\beta_{23}kl)$, with $4\beta_{ij} = a_i^* a_j^* B_{ij}$, a_i^* being the length of the i th reciprocal axis. Three cycles of refinement including these anisotropic temperature factors resulted in a value of R of 0.079.

An electron density difference function with all the atoms except hydrogen subtracted out was calculated using the results of this last refinement and using all 1143 terms. Possible locations for 28 hydrogen atoms were found in this difference function and all these positions were used in three cycles of least-squares refinement. At this stage we had 62 atoms in the calculation and this resulted in a total of parameters greater than the capacity of our program and computer. Therefore, in this calculation, we refined only the positions of the 28 hydrogen atoms (each with an isotropic temperature factor) and held the parameters of the other 34 atoms fixed. Of the hydrogen atom positions, 22 appeared

TABLE II
FINAL COORDINATES AND ISOTROPIC THERMAL PARAMETERS FOR THE HYDROGEN ATOMS

Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>B</i> , Å. ²	Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>B</i> , Å. ²
H(1) C(9)	0.37	0.49	0.91	2.3	H(1) C(17)	0.44	0.32	0.88	0.5
H(2)	0.43	0.43	0.95	9.2	H(2)	0.35	0.38	0.85	2.3
H(1) C(10)	0.32	0.42	0.00	4.7	H(1) C(18)	0.38 ^a	0.25	0.82	5.8
H(2)	0.29	0.48	0.97	7.8	H(2)	0.34 ^a	0.20	0.85	1.6
H(1) C(11)	0.43	0.54	0.01	4.2	H(1) C(19)	0.38 ^a	0.29 ^a	0.77 ^a	5.5
H(2)	0.38	0.61	0.97	10.2	H(2)	0.47	0.24	0.80	4.9
H(1) C(12)	0.36	0.65	0.04	4.6	H(1) C(20)	0.32 ^a	0.18	0.74	9.6
H(2)	0.27	0.58	0.03	6.9	H(2)	0.40 ^a	0.10 ^a	0.77	12.1
H(3)	0.34	0.56	0.07	8.9	H(3)	0.31 ^a	0.11	0.76	19.1
H(1) C(13)	0.33	0.20	0.92	5.5	H(1) C(21)	0.22	0.29	0.88	2.7
H(2)	0.32	0.27	0.97	1.5	H(2)	0.21	0.35	0.93	-2.0
H(1) C(14)	0.48 ^a	0.24 ^a	0.93 ^a	8.0 ^a	H(1) C(22)	0.21	0.49	0.89	1.3
H(2)	0.45	0.28	0.97	6.3	H(2)	0.22	0.43	0.84	4.8
H(1) C(15)	0.43	0.15	0.03	-4.3	H(1) C(23)	0.08	0.38	0.86	3.1
H(2)	0.45	0.12	0.97	5.9	H(2)	0.10	0.46	0.90	5.9
H(1) C(16)	0.49 ^a	0.10 ^a	0.04 ^a	5.0 ^a	H(1) C(24)	0.08	0.57	0.86	4.6
H(2)	0.54 ^a	0.11 ^a	0.99 ^a	5.0 ^a	H(2)	0.00 ^a	0.53	0.87	10.7
H(3)	0.57 ^a	0.19 ^a	0.03 ^a	5.0 ^a	H(3)	0.05 ^a	0.49	0.81	8.6

^a Parameters chosen from a difference function and used in the least-squares refinement, but not refined.

TABLE III
FINAL ANISOTROPIC THERMAL PARAMETERS, TOGETHER WITH THEIR STANDARD DEVIATIONS,
FOR THE COPPER AND THE FOUR SULFUR ATOMS

Atom	<i>B</i> ₁₁	$\sigma(B_{11})$	<i>B</i> ₂₂	$\sigma(B_{22})$	<i>B</i> ₃₃	$\sigma(B_{33})$	<i>B</i> ₁₂	$\sigma(B_{12})$	<i>B</i> ₁₃	$\sigma(B_{13})$	<i>B</i> ₂₃	$\sigma(B_{23})$
Cu	4.7	0.1	4.0	0.1	4.4	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.1
S(1)	7.9	0.3	4.0	0.2	4.5	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.9	0.2	-0.2	0.2
S(2)	8.6	0.3	3.8	0.2	5.6	0.2	0.0	0.2	1.5	0.2	0.1	0.2
S(3)	6.8	0.2	4.3	0.2	4.9	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.9	0.2	0.3	0.2
S(4)	10.7	0.3	3.9	0.2	4.9	0.2	-0.2	0.2	2.3	0.2	-0.7	0.2

^a All in Å.².

satisfactory, with the remaining 6 either unsuitably located or with very high temperature factors.

Several errors in the data, due to mis-setting of the goniostat or mispunching of a data card, were corrected and all the measured data included in the calculation. As there were so many weak intensities, a considerable number of them were recounted but little variation from previous measurements was found. Terms with intensity less than 2 counts/sec. were given 1/4 weight and all the rest given unit weight, making 1834 terms in all.

Three cycles of least squares were calculated using these new data and only the 34 heavy atoms, with the copper and the four sulfur atoms having anisotropic temperature factors, and these gave a value of *R* of 0.12. Another electron density difference function was calculated using the results of this latest refinement and including only the terms for which $\sin \theta/\lambda < 0.36$. In addition to the previous 22 hydrogen atom locations, 11 new sites were found with only the three around C(16) missing.

The 33 hydrogen atoms were included in two cycles of least-squares refinement where only the heavy atoms were refined, followed by two cycles where the heavy atoms were held fixed and the hydrogen atom positions were refined. *R* fell to 0.106 after these four cycles of refinement and all but 9 of the 33 hydrogen atoms were satisfactorily located. A card punching error resulted in the incorrect location of one of the nine and this was corrected in the next refinement. The remaining eight were rather imprecisely located in extended areas of

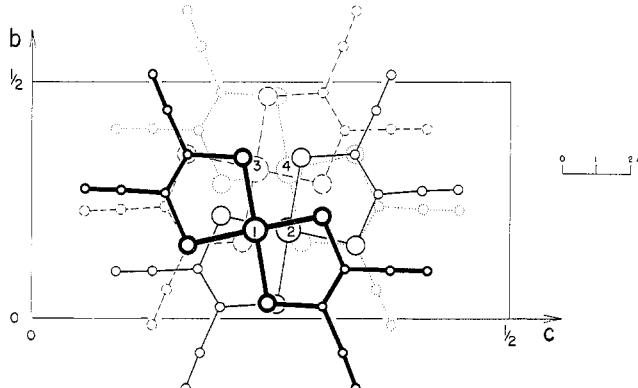


Fig. 1.—A projection down the *a* axis showing the stacking of the $\text{Cu}(\text{MNT})_2^-$ anions as viewed down a stack. The copper atoms labeled 1, 2, 3, and 4 have *x* coordinates of 1.14, 0.86, 0.64, and 0.36, respectively.

electron density in the difference function and the least-squares refinement had moved them, through admittedly small distances, to unsuitable locations.

Yet another difference function, calculated after two further cycles of refinement of the heavy atoms only, showed no better locations for the eight doubtful hydrogen atoms, but did show possible locations for the three hydrogen atoms around C(16). These last eleven hydrogen atoms were included in subsequent least-squares calculations with an average temperature factor, but were never allowed to refine. Two cycles with all 70 atoms included, but only the 34 heavy atoms allowed to refine, resulted in *R* = 0.104.

As in the cobalt crystal² the dispersion corrections to

TABLE IV

OBSERVED STRUCTURE FACTOR MAGNITUDES (FOBS) AND CALCULATED STRUCTURE FACTORS (FCAL)

H, K = 0, 0	14 11 3	18 65 -70	13 86 -83	L FOB FCA	1 31 33	11 18 22	5 173 -165	4 48 -53	12 18 -15	L FOB FCA
L FOB FCA	16 103-105	20 15 31	15 95 98	-19 0 -6	3 49 -54	13 0 -5	7 77 -79	6 22 18	14 28 29	-13 38 43
2 418-379	18 48 51	-	-17 56 -52	5 306 293	-	9 0 -5	12 74 73	16 55 -56	-11 21 21	
4 119 113	20 24 -29	H, K = 1, 2	H, K = 1, 7	-15 195 193	7 221-215	H, K = 2, 12	11 0 13	14 38 -35	18 53 58	-9 57 -57
6 0 13	22 0 3	L FOB FCA	L FOB FCA	-13 197-209	9 81 -76	L FOB FCA	13 27 31	16 25 19	20 23 -43	-7 88 97
8 172 174	-19 0 13	-14 0 -12	-11 284 285	11 46 -45	-10 0 5	15 77 -84	18 0 15	22 0 19	-5 104-114	
10 203-198	H, K = 0, 7	-17 53 -53	-12 72 80	-7 68 -74	15 86 -89	-2 65 64	19 58 -63	H, K = 3, 10	-1 235-239	
12 111 105	L FOB FCA	-15 75 74	-10 158-159	-7 230-217	-	3 27 -31	L FOB FCA	1 168 168		
14 25 14	1 223-223	-13 17 -29	-8 77 76	-5 76 -74	17 22 32	0 35 -25	1 24 26	L FOB FCA	3 211-206	
16 43 -42	3 289 279	-11 0 16	-6 0 -10	-3 152 138	-	2 25 -27	3 27 -31	L FOB FCA	7 117-113	
18 29 31	5 194-184	-9 82 78	-4 106-105	-1 0 -18	H, K = 2, 6	4 55 55	H, K = 3, 5	13 0 -13	-17 51 44	
20 22 -21	7 38 47	-7 199-190	-2 100 106	1 106 104	L FOB FCA	6 39 -42	L FOB FCA	5 213 210		
22 30 32	9 112-113	-5 149-148	0 105 -99	3 76 64	-20 24 -25	10 26 -16	-14 166 119	H, K = 3, 11	-11 31 23	
24 0 6	11 86 87	-3 206-203	2 40 -37	5 89 -88	-16 41 -47	-2 65 64	19 58 -63	L FOB FCA	9 66 -50	
26 18 21	13 0 -10	-1 280 272	4 112-109	7 23 18	14 136 150	H, K = 2, 13	-12 166-147	1 27 31	-13 19 20	
H, K = 0, 1	17 56 62	3 57 54	8 19 -20	11 106 104	L FOB FCA	-10 93 89	L FOB FCA	0 29 -25	-7 50 57	
L FOB FCA	19 24 -21	5 239-230	10 20 33	13 249-245	-8 100 -95	0 29 -25	2 37 31	19 35 36	19 35 36	
23 36-326	21 0 -1	7 98 97	12 36 -35	15 223 217	1 0 17	-6 63 65	4 17 11	-3 44 -37	21 0 -6	
3 380 368	9 39 37	14 22 -25	17 151-154	-4 113-121	L FOB FCA	-2 215 216	6 0 -3	-1 49 46	H, K = 4, 8	
5 66 -48	H, K = 0, 8	11 76 72	19 64 59	-2 194 199	-20 66 -60	0 146-146	L FOB FCA	1 10 -19	-20 57 -47	
7 63 60	L FOB FCA	13 149-142	H, K = 1, 8	-2 78 -85	-18 46 51	2 104 93	L FOB FCA	5 63 -64	-16 0 -8	
9 0 -5	0 85 -85	15 183 182	L FOB FCA	H, K = 2, 2	2 79 -73	16 19 -25	4 133-129	-9 36 -49	7 61 66	
11 22 27	2 98 110	17 137-130	-11 64 -72	L FOB FCA	4 165 153	-14 83 85	6 154 157	-3 66 68	9 34 -38	
13 0 0	4 99-103	19 21 17	-9 122 123	-20 0 10	6 0 -7	12 266-258	10 13 20	3 43 -48	11 36 -39	8 30 31
15 45 -53	6 81 83	-7 92 -90	-18 33 24	8 116 117	-10 169 161	12 34 36	9 0 3	13 27 36	-6 21 -30	
17 40 46	8 108-103	H, K = 1, 3	-5 28 27	-16 62 65	10 138-144	-8 0 11	14 77 -74	15 29 -34	-4 81 83	
19 36 -40	10 0 -18	L FOB FCA	-3 19 27	-14 105-103	12 57 55	6 80 -85	16 86 79	H, K = 3, 13	17 0 2	
21 22 20	12 27 -10	-18 42 -40	-1 64 -63	-12 247 236	14 92 -98	-4 186-177	18 32 -42	L FOB FCA	19 0 5	
23 24 -28	14 34 -34	9 80 87	1 27 27	-10 129-131	16 116 113	-2 101-102	20 41 36	0 52 47	21 0 1	
25 56 54	16 23 -17	-14 64 -69	3 82 89	-8 0 -17	20 54 47	0 224-224	22 0 -7	23 0 40	4 68 83	
H, K = 0, 2	20 36 40	18 0 -12	-12 46 48	5 48 -54	-6 120-123	2 55 41	H, K = 4, 0	6 122-122		
L FOB FCA	-8 71 71	9 0 -6	-4 0 3	H, K = 2, 7	4 353-354	H, K = 3, 6	L FOB FCA	H, K = 4, 4	8 93 97	
0 281-261	H, K = 0, 9	-6 90 93	11 64 71	0 80 77	-13 145-147	8 0 -3	L FOB FCA	6 41 37	26 79 -69	
2 167 159	L FOB FCA	-4 236 235	2 199 204	-11 149 153	10 0 5	-15 96 102	-22 23 -23	L FOB FCA	10 58 -51	
4 151-133	1 20 25	-2 65 65	H, K = 1, 9	233-225	-9 90 -97	12 35 -33	-13 94-107	-20 35 31	-16 117-122	
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17 138-135	-10 0 1	-								

TABLE IV (*Continued*)

as for the cobalt crystal,² and we give the same estimate (0.1 to 0.2 Å.) for the standard deviations of hydrogen atom coordinates.

Description of the Structure.—The stacking of the $\text{Cu}(\text{MNT})_2^-$ ions is shown in a projection down the a axis in Fig. 1, and the arrangement of the tetra-*n*-butylammonium ions is shown in a similar projection in Fig. 2. An over-all picture of the projection is directly obtainable by inserting the contents of Fig. 1 into the

almost unoccupied central rectangle in Fig. 2. The two figures illustrate the nature of the molecular arrangement in the structure. The anions are stacked in columns whose axes are parallel to a and these columns are surrounded by a latticework of cations making the two parts of the structure quite independent, with very little overlap in the bc plane. This arrangement is very different from that found in both $((\text{C}_4\text{H}_9)_4\text{N})_2\text{Co}(\text{S}_2\text{C}_4\text{N}_2)_2$ by Forrester, *et al.*,² and in $((\text{CH}_3)_4\text{N})_2\text{Ni}$

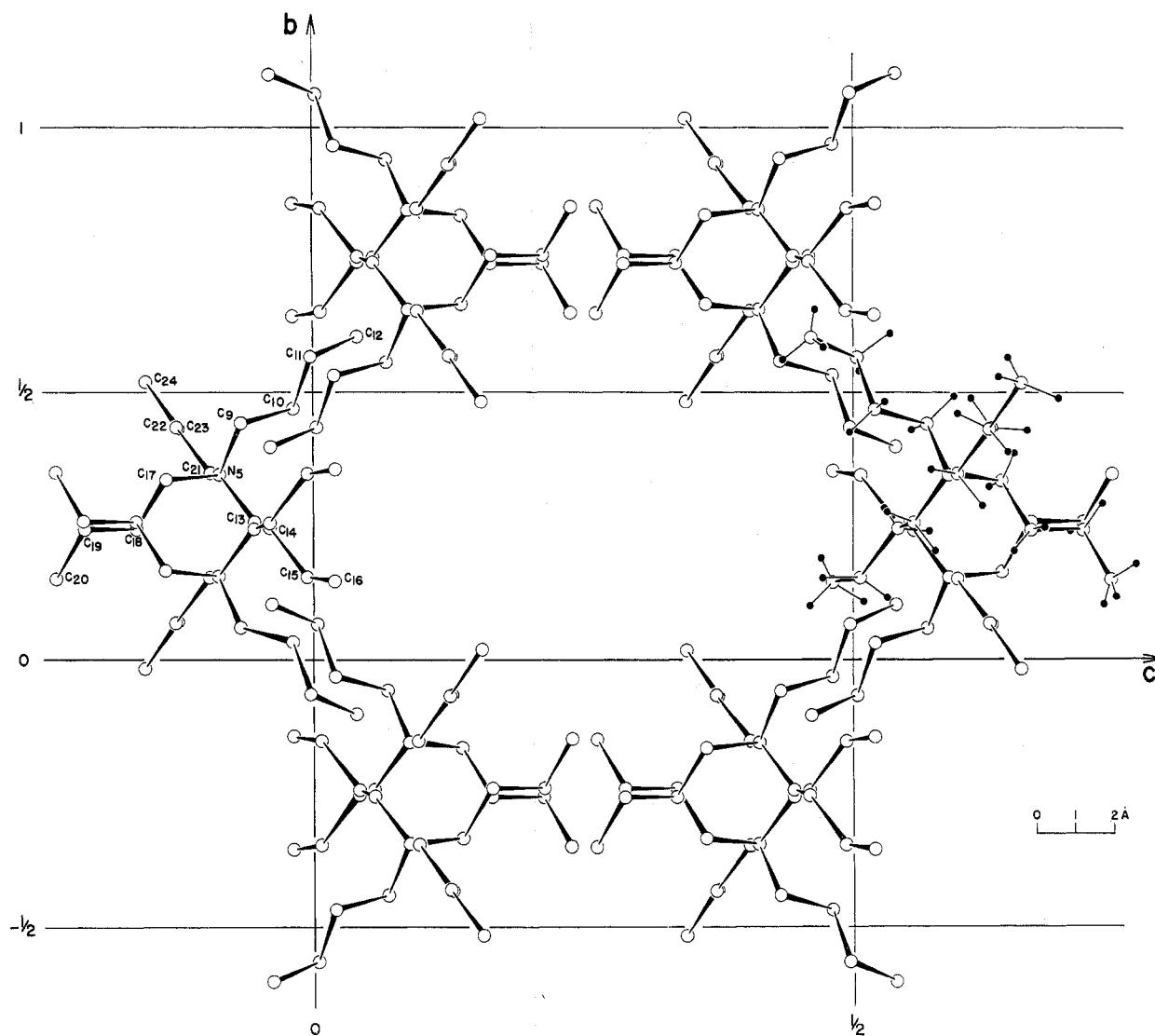


Fig. 2.—A projection down the a axis showing the latticework arrangement of the tetra-*n*-butylammonium ions. The small black circles are representative of each type of hydrogen atom. The stacked anions shown in Fig. 1 fit exactly into the almost unoccupied rectangle in the center of this figure.

$(S_2C_4N_2)_2$ by Eisenberg, *et al.*,⁷ where the metal atoms are separated by about 10 Å.

A side view of the column of stacked anions is shown in Fig. 3. The four copper atoms per unit cell per stack are almost exactly above each other in the a direction while the anions are rotated in such a way as to give the stack mm symmetry in the bc projection.

The $Cu(MNT)_2^-$ Ion.—The dimensions of the anion are illustrated in Fig. 4 and compared in Table V with those found for the doubly charged anion in $((C_4H_9)_4N)_2Co(S_2C_4N_2)_2$. Despite the difference in the oxidation state, there is no significant difference in the molecular dimensions of the two anions, with standard deviations of about 0.02 Å.

The anion is approximately planar, but deviations from planarity are considerably greater than in the $Co(MNT)_2^{2-}$ ion. To assess the planarity, the distances of the atoms in the ion from a plane constructed to pass through the three points defined as: point 1, the mean

position of atoms N(1), N(2), C(3), and C(4); point 2, the mean position of atoms C(7) and N(3); point 3, the mean position of atoms C(8) and N(4), were calculated, and these are listed in Table VI. The ion appears to be bent slightly into a crescent shape with only atom S(1) deviating substantially from this shape. Deviations range from 0.05 Å. on one side of the plane to 0.11 Å. on the other. The four sulfur atoms are twisted from square-planar in an irregular way. The S-Cu-S angles in the rings are 92°, in close agreement with 91 and 92° found in previous studies^{2,7} of the divalent anion.

The chemically equivalent but crystallographically nonequivalent bonds in the anion, *viz.*, Cu-S(1), Cu-S(2), Cu-S(3), and Cu-S(4); C(1)-S(1), C(2)-S(4), C(5)-S(2), and C(6)-S(3); C(1)-C(2) and C(5)-C(6); C(2)-C(3), C(1)-C(4), C(5)-C(8), and C(6)-C(7); C(3)-N(1), C(4)-N(2), C(7)-N(3), and C(8)-N(4), differ by less than two standard deviations. Crystallographically the ion is not required to have any symmetry, but its geometry is such that it does not differ very much from mmm (D_{2h}) symmetry. The only deviations from

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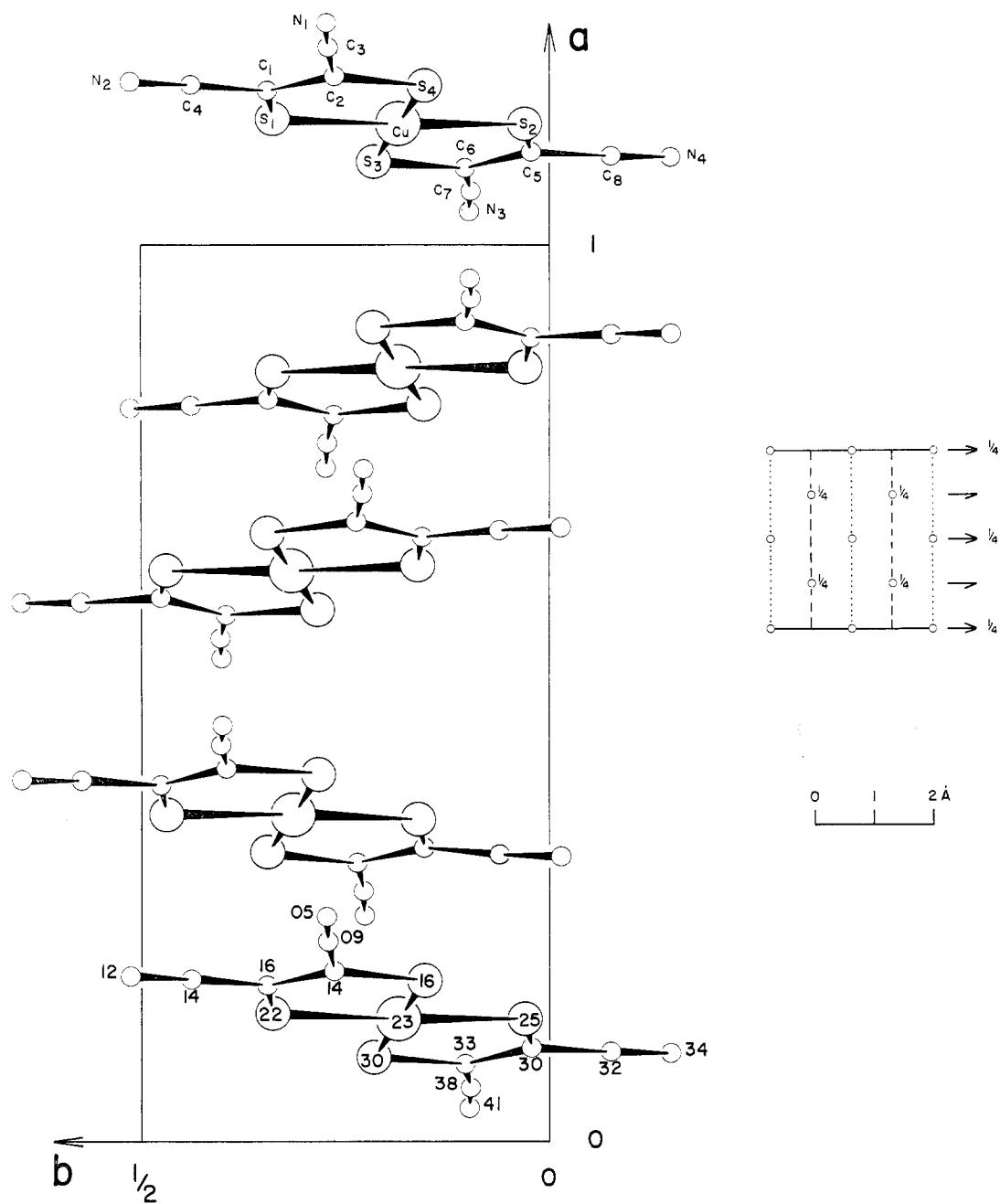


Fig. 3.—A projection down the *c* axis showing the stacking of the $\text{Cu}(\text{MNT})_2^-$ anions from the side. The figures beside some of the atoms are the *z* coordinates ($\times 100$).

this symmetry which are statistically significant are the deviations from planarity, and these are considerably less than the amplitudes of thermal motion. Thus we prefer not to assign them any chemical significance. Neither our data nor our computing facilities justify anisotropic analysis of the motion of the carbon and nitrogen atoms. In the absence of such analysis, we will not belabor the thermal motion of the sulfur atoms except to point out that the large values of B_{11} correspond to large out-of-plane amplitudes.

In sharp contrast with the cobalt chelate,² where the closest distance of approach of the metal atoms is 9.81 Å., the copper atoms in this structure have nearest copper neighbors at 4.026 ± 0.005 and 4.431 ± 0.006 Å. These near neighbors give an explanation of decreased

anisotropy in the e.s.r. properties found by Maki, *et al.*,³ for the isomorphous nickel crystal. No atom from the cation except hydrogen (nearest at 4.74 Å.) approaches closer than 5.0 Å. to the copper atom, although some 14 different atoms from adjacent anions are at distances between 3.6 and 5.0 Å. from the copper.

The Tetra-*n*-butylammonium Ion.—The configuration of this ion can be seen in Fig. 2 and the important dimensions are listed in Table VII. All the butyl chains adopt the *trans* conformation, and the dihedral angles of these chains are listed in Table VIII. With the exception of the chain involving C(16) these angles are very small showing that the chains are very nearly planar.

The four C-N bonds are equal within the experi-

TABLE V

A COMPARISON OF THE INTERATOMIC DISTANCES AND ANGLES, TOGETHER WITH THEIR ESTIMATED STANDARD DEVIATIONS, IN THE $\text{Cu}(\text{MNT})_2^-$ AND THE $\text{Co}(\text{MNT})_2^{-2}$ IONS

Atoms	(A) Distances			
	Cu(MNT) ₂	Co(MNT) ₂	Cu(MNT) ₂	Co(MNT) ₂
	Distance, Å.	E.s.d., Å.	Distance, Å.	E.s.d., Å.
Cu/Co-S(1)	2.174	0.004	2.163	0.003
Cu/Co-S(2)	2.170	0.004		
Cu/Co-S(3)	2.177	0.004		
Cu/Co-S(4)	2.158	0.005	2.159	0.003
S(1)-C(1)	1.73	0.010	1.731	0.007
S(2)-C(5)	1.74	0.010		
S(3)-C(6)	1.71	0.010		
S(4)-C(2)	1.70	0.010	1.715	0.007
C(1)-C(2)	1.32	0.020	1.34	0.010
C(5)-C(6)	1.31	0.020		
C(2)-C(3)	1.42	0.020	1.40	0.010
C(1)-C(4)	1.43	0.020	1.40	0.010
C(5)-C(8)	1.44	0.020		
C(6)-C(7)	1.44	0.020		
C(3)-N(1)	1.17	0.020	1.15	0.010
C(4)-N(2)	1.12	0.020	1.16	0.010
C(7)-N(3)	1.14	0.020		
C(8)-N(4)	1.15	0.020		

(B) Angles

Atoms	$\text{Cu}(\text{MNT})_2$		$\text{Co}(\text{MNT})_2$	
	Angles, deg.	E.s.d., deg.	Angles, ^a deg.	E.s.d., deg.
S(1)–Cu/Co–S(3)	88.2	0.2	88.6 ^b	0.1
S(1)–Cu/Co–S(4)	92.2	0.2	91.4 ^b	0.1
S(2)–Cu/Co–S(3)	92.5	0.2		
S(2)–Cu/Co–S(4)	87.1	0.2		
Cu/Co–S(1)–C(1)	102.5	0.5	103.7	0.3
Cu/Co–S(2)–C(5)	101.4	0.5		
Cu/Co–S(3)–C(6)	101.9	0.5		
Cu/Co–S(4)–C(2)	101.9	0.5	103.8	0.3
S(1)–C(1)–C(2)	119.2	1.1	120.0	0.6
S(2)–C(5)–C(6)	121.6	1.1		
S(3)–C(6)–C(5)	122.5	1.1		
S(4)–C(2)–C(1)	123.9	1.1	121.1	0.5
S(1)–C(1)–C(4)	117.7	1.1	117.2	0.6
S(2)–C(5)–C(8)	115.1	1.0		
S(3)–C(6)–C(7)	116.3	1.1		
S(4)–C(2)–C(3)	115.9	1.1	118.1	0.5
C(1)–C(2)–C(3)	120.1	1.3	120.8	0.7
C(2)–C(1)–C(4)	123.0	1.3	122.8	0.7
C(5)–C(6)–C(7)	121.1	1.3		
C(6)–C(5)–C(8)	123.2	1.3		
C(1)–C(4)–N(2)	177.1	1.7	178.7	1.0
C(2)–C(3)–N(1)	179.8	1.7	178.2	0.8
C(5)–C(8)–N(4)	178.5	1.6		
C(6)–C(7)–N(3)	175.9	1.7		

^a Because of the higher symmetry of the $\text{Co}(\text{MNT})_2^{+2}$ ion there are two symmetrically equivalent values of each of these distances and angles. ^b Not independent angles.

mental accuracy and have an average value of 1.52 ± 0.01 Å. The six tetrahedral angles at the nitrogen atom (C-N-C) average 109.5° with a spread of $\pm 5^\circ$. Both these results are in excellent agreement with the values found in the cobalt compound.

In the butyl chains, the mean C-C distance is 1.523 Å. Applying a thermal correction assuming that each carbon atom "rides" on its neighbor nearer to the central

TABLE VI

DISTANCES OF THE VARIOUS ATOMS IN THE $\text{Cu}(\text{MNT})_2^-$ ION
FROM THE PLANE THROUGH THE MEAN ATOMS {N(1), N(2),
C(3), AND C(4)}, {C(7) AND N(3)}, AND {C(8) AND N(4)}

Atom	Distance (Å.) from plane	E.s.d. (Å.) of the atomic position
Cu	-0.064	0.002
S(1)	+0.032	0.004
S(2)	-0.094	0.004
S(3)	-0.065	0.004
S(4)	-0.114	0.005
C(1)	-0.030	0.014
C(2)	-0.036	0.014
C(3)	+0.011	0.016
C(4)	-0.011	0.016
C(5)	-0.051	0.014
C(6)	-0.030	0.014
C(7)	-0.019	0.016
C(8)	-0.008	0.016
N(1)	+0.053	0.015
N(2)	-0.053	0.015
N(3)	+0.019	0.015
N(4)	+0.008	0.014

TABLE VII
DISTANCES AND ANGLES INVOLVING THE CARBON AND NITROGEN
ATOMS IN THE TETRA-*n*-BUTYLAMMONIUM ION

^a E.s.d. all $\pm 0.016 \text{ \AA}$. ^b E.s.d. all $\pm 0.9^\circ$. ^c E.s.d. all $\pm 0.02 \text{ \AA}$. ^d E.s.d. $\pm 0.035 \text{ \AA}$. ^e Distance corrected for thermal motion assuming that atom C($n + 1$) "rides" on atom C(n).

TABLE VIII
THE DIHEDRAL ANGLES FOR THE FOUR BUTYL CHAINS IN THE
TETRA-*n*-BUTYL AMMONIUM ION

nitrogen atom increases the distance by 0.012 Å. and somewhat reduces the spread of the values. This assumption is reasonable as the temperature factors increase progressively along each carbon chain (see Table I) with the exception of C(18) and C(19). The mean value of the 12 N-C-C and C-C-C angles in the four chains is 111.0°, somewhat smaller than that found in the cobalt compound, although the four N-C-C angles all have higher than average values as found previously.

All the atoms in the tetra-*n*-butylammonium ion were located easily from an electron density Fourier with the exception of C(16) at the end of one of the butyl chains. This atom appears poorly resolved and has a high temperature factor in the least-squares refinement. However, a careful examination shows no better position available for this atom, and the bond angles and distances are very reasonable. We can only assume that this atom either has a high thermal vibration at the end of the chain or else there is a certain amount of disorder in this region. Needless to say, this effect makes it rather difficult to locate hydrogen atoms associated with this carbon atom, although density does appear in the appropriate region in the electron density difference function. Little reliability should therefore be placed on the exact location of these particular hydrogen atoms.

As described earlier, 24 of the hydrogen atoms were located from the difference Fourier in very suitable locations and their parameters refined by least-squares methods. The remaining 12 hydrogen atoms were also located from the difference Fourier. However, their parameters were not refined but merely used in the least-squares analysis to calculate structure factors.

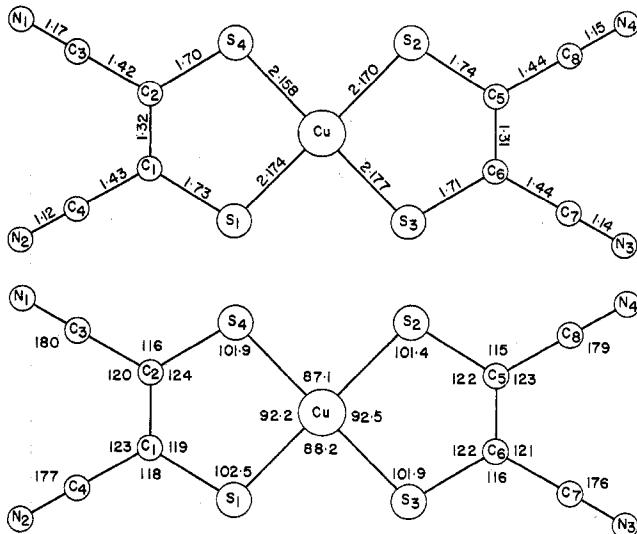


Fig. 4.—The molecular dimensions of the $\text{Cu}(\text{MNT})_2^-$ anion.

The carbon-hydrogen distances range from 0.6 to 1.2 Å. The mean C-H bond length (36 values) is 0.94 Å., somewhat smaller than the value of 1.09 Å. usually taken as the standard interatomic separation. With the exception of the hydrogen atoms associated with the end carbon atoms, together with those associated with C(15) and C(23), all of the hydrogen bond angles are within 20° of the tetrahedral angle. This is consistent with the estimated standard deviations of the hydrogen atom positional parameters.

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