

Sc₂S₃-type structure.^{7,8,14} The small increase in the lattice constant from La₂Te₃ to La₃Te₄ is due to the change in bond character. The compound La₂Te₃ has the highest electrical resistivity of all the phases in the binary system and can be considered to have the highest percentage of ionic character, while La₃Te₄ is much more conducting and has a more covalent metallic bond. This change decreases the effective ionic radius of tellurium, which nearly offsets the expansion due to the additional lanthanum atoms.

The phase LaTe₂ forms a defect solid solution with a maximum deficiency of Te corresponding to a composition near LaTe_{1.70}. The compound Fe₂As, with which it is isostructural, also shows a varying deficiency of iron. The atomic sites in the faces of the unit cell are occupied by La and Te, respectively, and the latter need be only 85% of the time occupied and still provide a stable structure. As the tellurium concentration decreases the *a* axis shrinks and the *c* axis increases.⁹ The stoichiometric LaTe₂ has a high degree of metallic conductivity, while the defect structures have lower conductivities.¹¹ This behavior indicates that the bonding changes from metallic covalent for the stoichiometric composition to a more ionic type in the tellurium-deficient compounds. The lengthening of the *c* axis can also be considered as reducing the overlap

among the orbitals of the remaining atoms. Similar behavior is observed in semiconducting transition metal oxides.¹⁵

The melting behavior of LaTe₂ is quite different from that of the neodymium analog. The two equilibrium diagrams neglect the effect of pressure which is no longer correct at these elevated temperatures. It is quite possible that the vapor pressure above LaTe₂ is much higher and that sublimation with subsequent decomposition in the vapor phase takes place, thus giving rise to an apparent incongruent melting point. If the vapor pressure above NdTe₂ is lower, then the solid goes through the liquid phase and congruent melting is observed. The effect of pressure on the melting behavior of these compositions needs to be investigated further.

The La-Te bond length derived from the LaTe and LaTe₂ structures is 3.22 Å., while this distance is 3.33 Å. in the idealized La₂Te₃ structure if the variable parameter is ¹/₁₂. A detailed refinement of the La₂Te₃ structure¹⁶ shows that the bond lengths are not equivalent and split into two sets of 3.24 and 3.42 Å. The distortion of the coordination polyhedron in the La₂Te₃ structure probably reflects the more ionic nature of the bonding, and the shorter distance in LaTe and LaTe₂ reflects the presence of a metallic covalent bond.

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The Crystal and Molecular Structure of Ruthenium-Sulfur Dioxide Coordination Compounds. I. Chlorotetraammine(sulfur dioxide)ruthenium(II) Chloride

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The Ru-SO₂ complex, [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]Cl, has an orthorhombic unit cell, *a* = 13.962, *b* = 9.308, *c* = 7.312 Å. The space group is Pnam with four formula weights per unit cell. A three-dimensional crystal structure analysis of the complex yielded the positions of all of the atoms but the hydrogens, with a discrepancy factor of 0.047 for 1054 independent reflections. The SO₂ is a monodentate ligand, coordinated through the sulfur. The bond distances and bond angle in the coordinated SO₂ are approximately the same as in free, solid SO₂ and the Ru-N, Ru-S, and Ru-Cl bond lengths are comparable to those observed in other platinum group complexes. Preliminary X-ray and infrared data on the [Ru^{III}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)-Br]Br, [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₆(SO₂)Cl₂], and [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₆(SO₂)]Br₂ complexes indicate that in each case the SO₂ ligand is coordinated through sulfur.

Introduction

The only metal complexes reported in the literature to contain sulfur dioxide as a ligand are those of the

ruthenium-ammine series described by Gleu^{2,3} and possibly the products of the reactions of iron carbonyls with SO₂.⁴ Vaska⁵ has prepared several platinum group complexes containing SO₂ ligands as well as carbonyl and substituted phosphine ligands.

Since the ruthenium ammines are the only well

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characterized SO₂ complexes, it would be informative to know more about the bonding involved, *viz.*, (1) whether the SO₂ is coordinated through the sulfur or oxygen, (2) how the bond parameters and infrared frequencies of coordinated SO₂ compare with those of free SO₂, and (3) the nature of the N, Cl, and S bonds to the ruthenium. A three-dimensional crystal structure analysis was performed on a representative complex, [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]Cl. The nature of the bonding of the SO₂ ligand in several other Ru-SO₂ complexes will also be discussed.

Experimental

Preparation.—The Ru-SO₂ complexes were prepared according to the procedures briefly outlined by Gleu,^{2,3} with the exception of the [Ru^{III}(NH₃)₆]Cl₃ which was prepared by (and purchased from) Johnson, Matthey and Co., Ltd., Hatton Garden, London E.C. 1, England, using Lever's method.⁵ A detailed account of the preparation of the complexes follows.

[Ru^{III}(NH₃)₆]Cl₃.—[Ru^{III}(NH₃)₆]Cl₃ (7.0 g., 0.023 mole) was dissolved in 75 ml. of water with warming and 75 ml. of concentrated HCl was added. The solution was refluxed for 3.5 hr. During this time a yellow crystalline precipitate formed which was subsequently filtered off, washed first with 1:1 HCl, then with methanol, and dried under vacuum at room temperature. A yield of 6.42 g. (97%) of bright yellow crystals of [Ru^{III}(NH₃)₆]Cl₃ was obtained.

[Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(HSO₃)₂].—[Ru^{III}(NH₃)₆]Cl₃ (4.00 g., 0.014 mole) was dissolved in 160 ml. of water at 75–85°. To this solution was added 5.66 g. (0.056 mole) of solid NaHSO₃. Sulfur dioxide was slowly bubbled through the solution which was kept at 75° on a water bath. After about 15 min. at 75°, small, clear, faintly yellow crystals started to form. These conditions were maintained for 1 hr., after which the system was allowed to cool to room temperature but with continued saturation with SO₂. Thereafter, the crystals were filtered off, washed first with water, then with methanol, and dried under vacuum at room temperature. A yield of 2.98 g. (70%) of [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(HSO₃)₂] was obtained. This slightly soluble complex could not be recrystallized since it reacts in aqueous solution giving a pale blue color. Use of the SO₂, which was not mentioned in the literature, was found necessary in order to prevent the occurrence of side reactions which greatly reduced the yield of the desired complex. Presumably, the NaHSO₃ alone is too weak an acid in solution to prevent some OH⁻ from coordinating with the ruthenium and resulting in the formation of highly colored, insoluble products.

[Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]Cl. — [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(HSO₃)₂] (2.77 g., 0.001 mole) was dissolved in 325 ml. of 1:1 HCl by heating at the boiling point for about 15 min. The [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(HSO₃)₂] turned a rust color when treated with the acid and went into solution slowly, producing a deep red solution. The solution was filtered hot, then reheated to redissolve any crystals that had formed and allowed to cool slowly overnight. Deep red-orange, needle-shaped crystals of [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]Cl formed which were filtered off, washed first with 1:1 HCl, then with methanol, and dried under vacuum at room temperature.

Anal. Calcd. for [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]Cl: H, 3.98; Ru, 33.23; N, 18.41; S, 10.54; Cl, 23.31; mol. wt., 304.16. Found: H, 4.00; Ru, 33.12; N, 18.27; S, 10.44; Cl, 23.56.

The complex is slightly soluble in water (in which an equilibrium exists between the chloro and aquo forms)³ and ethanol, but is insoluble in acetonitrile, dimethyl sulfoxide, and dimethylformamide.

[Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Br]Br.—The bromo bromide was prepared in a manner exactly analogous to the chloro chloride complex

by substituting HBr for HCl in the conversion of [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(HSO₃)₂] to the SO₂ complex.

[Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]₂ and [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Br]₂.—The dichloride and dibromide can be obtained from either the chloro chloride or bromo bromide complexes by the method described in the literature.³ Both the dichloride and dibromide complexes decomposed after standing at room temperature for about 1–2 months.

X-Ray Diffraction.—Preliminary information on the crystal system, cell constants, space group, and atom positions of the chloro chloride complex were obtained using limited precession and Weissenberg film data. A microphotodensitometer designed for reading spectroscopic plates was employed to measure the intensities. It was then decided to collect extensive three-dimensional intensity data using a G.E. XRD-6 diffractometer equipped with a Goniostat, pulse-height discriminator, and scintillation counter. Nickel-filtered Cu K α radiation was employed. A red-orange, needle-shaped crystal with a rhombohedral cross section (0.042 \times 0.042 \times 0.275 mm.) was used. The long crystal axis corresponds to the [001] direction in Pnam.

The crystal is orthorhombic with cell constants $a = 13.962 \pm 0.007$, $b = 9.308 \pm 0.003$, $c = 7.312 \pm 0.003$ Å., as calculated from the single crystal diffractometer data. The density, measured by flotation, is 2.15 ± 0.03 g./cc. at 24° ($d_c = 2.127$ g./cc.) and corresponds to a calculated value of 4.0 formula weights per unit cell. Extinctions were observed for: $0kl$, $k + l \neq 2n$; $hk0$, $h \neq 2n$; $h00$, $h \neq 2n$; $0k0$, $k \neq 2n$; $00l$, $l \neq 2n$, which are consistent with two space groups, *viz.*, Pna2₁ (No. 33) and Pnam (equivalent to Pnma—No. 62—by exchanging b and c).

Intensities of 1099 independent reflections (all those for which $160^\circ > 2\theta > 0^\circ$) were obtained using the full 2θ scan method. Corrections for Lp, absorption⁷ ($\mu = 208.3$ cm.⁻¹), and spectral dispersion⁸ were applied to the data. The atomic scattering factors given in the International Tables⁹ were used for Cl⁻, Cl⁰, N⁰, S⁰, O⁰, and those given by Thomas and Umeda¹⁰ were used for Ru⁺². Least-square calculations were made with a block-diagonal program¹¹ using an IBM 1620 except for the final full-matrix¹² refinements, which were made using an IBM 7044.

Infrared Spectra.—The infrared spectra of the complexes (in KBr) were recorded with a Perkin-Elmer Model 421 infrared spectrophotometer in the rock salt region. There was no evidence for reaction between the complexes and the KBr.

Solution of the Crystal Structure

The intensities of 70 independent zero level reflections from the preliminary precession and Weissenberg films were used to obtain first estimates of the atom positions. The zero level precession photographs show regions of very weak or absent reflections, which is characteristic of crystals having high symmetry; therefore the initial refinement was based on Pnam rather than on Pna2₁. Of the three sets of equivalent positions in Pnam for four asymmetric units per unit cell, only the set for which the point symmetry is $m(x, y, 1/4; \bar{x}, \bar{y}, 3/4; 1/2 - x, 1/2 + y, 3/4; 1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, 1/4)$ need be considered, since the complex cannot have a center of symmetry. Thus, the ruthenium, two chlorines, and sulfur must have their z coordinates in the mirror

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plane at $z = 1/4$; both of the oxygens must be either in the mirror plane or symmetrically arranged above and below $z = 1/4$. The four nitrogens could be symmetrically arranged two above and two below the mirror plane or two in the mirror plane with the other two symmetrically placed above and below $z = 1/4$.

Possible positions of the Ru were determined from Patterson projections. The conventional R factor ($R = \sum |F_o| - |F_c| / \sum |F_o|$), using isotropic temperature factors, was then computed for each of the possible Ru positions and the coordinates giving the lowest R (0.41) were selected. Positions of the coordinated chlorine and sulfur atoms were estimated by using Harker-Patterson maps and Bragg-Lipson contours combined with chemical considerations. An R factor of 0.28 was computed using the coordinates of the Ru, Cl, and S thus far determined. The Cl anion was located from full and difference Fourier projections synthesized with the aid of a Von Eller optical analog computer and using the phases determined by the other three heavy atoms. The nitrogen and oxygen atoms were very poorly resolved in the Fourier. Block-diagonal least-squares refinements were performed using the four heavy atom positions and possible positions for the nitrogen and oxygen atoms. The R factor differed by less than 0.01 for the various light atom arrangements but showed a slight preference for placing the nitrogen atoms two above and two below the mirror plane and for the two oxygen atoms in the mirror plane. This arrangement of atoms (all with isotropic thermal parameters) gave a value of $R = 0.234$.

A series of block-diagonal least-squares refinements and Fourier syntheses followed, using the intensities of the 1099 reflections measured on the diffractometer and the coordinates of the atoms determined from the film data. The atom positions refined in this way gave an R factor of 0.105 using isotropic thermal parameters. Isotropic refinement based on Pna2₁ gave an R factor lower by only 0.003. Anisotropic refinement of all atoms based on Pna2₁ resulted in an R factor of 0.071 after six cycles. After deletion of 43 very weak or zero intensity reflections plus 12 reflections which were apparently recorded incorrectly the R factor dropped to 0.050. The standard deviations of the z parameters of the four heavy atoms indicated that the departure of this parameter from $z = 1/4$ was small but significant. However, block-diagonal refinement does not always correctly estimate the standard deviations. When the structure was refined anisotropically on the basis of Pnam with a full-matrix least-squares program, the R factor leveled off at 0.047 after three cycles. Attempts to refine on Pna2₁ with the full-matrix program gave several meaningless anisotropic temperature factors. These results indicate that Pnam is very likely the correct space group and illustrate one of the shortcomings of the block-diagonal least-squares method. An attempt to locate the hydrogens from the difference Fourier sections down [001] was not successful.

The final positional and anisotropic temperature

parameters and their standard deviations are given in Tables I and II. Table III contains a list of the observed and calculated structure factors.

TABLE I
FINAL POSITIONAL PARAMETERS (BASED ON PNAM) AND
THEIR STANDARD DEVIATIONS FOR [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]Cl

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/c	$\sigma(x/a)$	$\sigma(y/b)$	$\sigma(z/c)$
Ru	0.0857	0.2189	0.2500	0.0001	0.0001	0 ^b
Cl ^a	0.0028	-0.0087	0.2500	0.0002	0.0003	0 ^b
Cl ₂ ^{a,c}	0.1503	0.4324	-0.2500	0.0002	0.0003	0 ^b
S	0.1653	0.4068	0.2500	0.0002	0.0003	0 ^b
N ₁	-0.0126	0.2899	0.4529	0.0005	0.0007	0.0008
N ₂	0.1748	0.1300	0.4568	0.0004	0.0007	0.0008
O ₁	0.2699	0.3986	0.2500	0.0006	0.0010	0 ^b
O ₂	0.1299	0.5469	0.2500	0.0007	0.0010	0 ^b

^a Cl₁ is the coordinated chlorine and Cl₂ the anion chlorine.
^b z parameter is fixed by symmetry. ^c This set of coordinates places the Cl anion closer to the positive region of the complex than the symmetry related coordinates in which $z/c = +0.2500$.

TABLE II
FINAL ANISOTROPIC TEMPERATURE FACTORS^a AND
THEIR STANDARD DEVIATIONS IN Å.²

Atom	B_{11}	B_{22}	B_{33}	B_{12}
Ru	1.8(0.0)	1.5(0.0)	0.9(0.0)	0.1(0.0)
Cl ₁	3.4(0.1)	2.2(0.1)	1.8(0.1)	-0.6(0.1)
Cl ₂	2.9(0.1)	2.8(0.1)	2.7(0.1)	0.7(0.1)
S	3.0(0.1)	2.5(0.1)	1.5(0.1)	-0.7(0.1)
N ₁	3.1(0.3)	3.0(0.3)	1.7(0.2)	0.9(0.2)
N ₂	3.0(0.3)	3.6(0.3)	1.4(0.2)	0.9(0.2)
O ₁	3.3(0.4)	4.2(0.4)	5.4(0.5)	-2.0(0.3)
O ₂	6.0(0.5)	3.4(0.4)	2.6(0.4)	-1.2(0.4)

^a The values of B_{13} and B_{23} for all atoms except N₁ and N₂ are zero (by symmetry). B_{13} and B_{23} and (their standard deviations) are 0.7(0.2) and -0.3(0.2) for N₁ and -0.3(0.2) and 0.4(0.2) for N₂, respectively.

Discussion of the Structure

The complex is in the form of a slightly distorted octahedron with the four ammine groups at the corners of a square whose plane is essentially perpendicular to the line joining the S, Ru, and coordinated Cl, and in which the latter three atoms, the two oxygen atoms, and the chlorine anion lie in a plane of mirror symmetry. A schematic diagram of the structure projected down [001] is shown in Figure 1. Figure 2 shows a perspective drawing of [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₄(SO₂)Cl]⁺. A list of the most important bond distances and angles is given in Table IV. The most significant results of the structure analysis are (1) that the SO₂ ligand has been shown to be coordinated through the sulfur and (2) that the S-O bond lengths and the O-S-O bond angle are approximately the same as in free, solid SO₂ (S-O, 1.430 ± 0.015 Å.; O-S-O, 119 ± 2°).¹³ The significance of the difference between the individual S-O bond lengths and the average of these values (1.428 ± 0.010 Å.), which amounts to three standard deviations, is open to question. On chemical grounds there is no reason to expect that the two S-O bonds should differ. If the observed deviation is real, it is most likely the result of packing effects. The same argument can also be applied to the deviation of the

TABLE III
OBSERVED AND CALCULATED STRUCTURE FACTORS^{a,b} FOR [Ru^{II}(NH₃)₆(SO₄)₂Cl]₂

h k l	F _o	F _c	h k l	F _o	F _c	h k l	F _o	F _c	h k l	F _o	F _c	h k l	F _o	F _c
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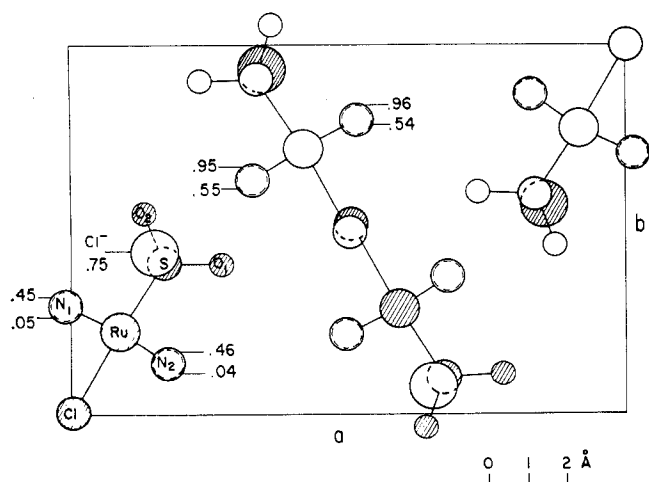


Figure 1.—Projection of the structure of $[\text{Ru}^{\text{II}}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{SO}_2)\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}$ (excluding hydrogen atoms) down the c axis (the origin is at the bottom left). The shaded atoms are at $z = 1/4$ and the unshaded atoms are at $z = 3/4$ except for the nitrogen atoms whose z coordinates are indicated.

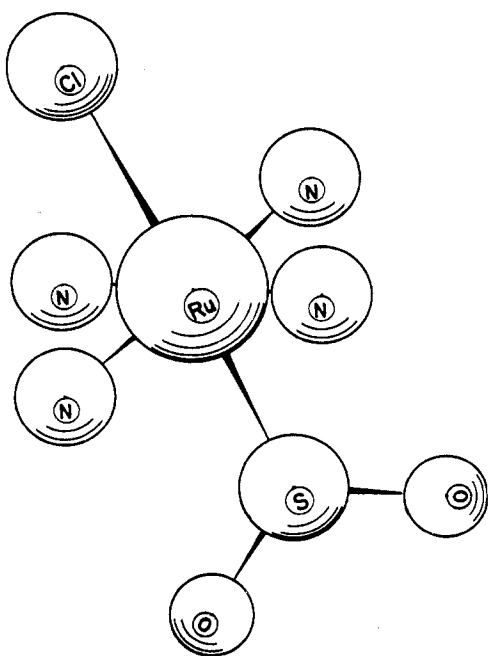


Figure 2.—Perspective view of $[\text{Ru}^{\text{II}}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{SO}_2)\text{Cl}]^+$ (excluding hydrogen atoms).

TABLE IV
INTERATOMIC DISTANCES (IN Å.) AND ANGLES AND
THEIR STANDARD DEVIATIONS^a

Ru-N ₁	2.127 ± 0.006	∠O-S-O	113.8 ± 0.6
Ru-N ₂	2.126 ± 0.006	∠Cl ₁ -Ru-S	176.3 ± 0.1
Ru-Cl ₁	2.415 ± 0.003	∠Cl ₁ -Ru-N ₁	87.9 ± 0.2
Ru-Cl ₂	4.258 ± 0.002	∠Cl ₁ -Ru-N ₂	86.5 ± 0.2
Ru-S	2.072 ± 0.003	∠S-Ru-N ₁	94.8 ± 0.2
S-O ₁	1.462 ± 0.010	∠S-Ru-N ₂	90.9 ± 0.2
S-O ₂	1.394 ± 0.010	∠N ₁ -Ru-N ₁ *	88.5 ± 0.3
O ₁ -O ₂	2.393 ± 0.014	∠N ₁ -Ru-N ₂	90.1 ± 0.2
		∠N ₁ *-Ru-N ₂ *	90.1 ± 0.2
		∠N ₂ -Ru-N ₂ *	90.7 ± 0.3

^a An asterisk designates the atom related by the mirror symmetry.

$\text{Cl}_1\text{-Ru-S}$ bond angle from 180° . Coordination of the SO_2 through the sulfur might have been anticipated since ligands containing both sulfur and oxygen generally prefer to coordinate through the sulfur when the metal involved contains electrons in low lying d orbitals which can π bond with the empty d orbitals of sulfur.¹⁴

The Ru-N bond distance is comparable to the value of 2.10 Å. found in $[\text{Ru}^{\text{III}}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Cl}]\text{Cl}_2$ ¹⁵ and is within the range of 2.00–2.35 Å. found in other platinum group amines.¹⁶ The Ru-Cl₁ distance appears to be typical of chlorine coordinated to platinum group metals.^{15,16} Transition metal-sulfur bond lengths of 2.1–2.5 Å. have been reported,^{16,17} the lower limit of which is slightly greater than the distance observed in the Ru-SO₂ complex.

Realizing that no firm conclusions can be drawn from utilizing the sums of ionic or covalent radii to determine the ionic or covalent character of bonds, except in some organic compounds where sufficient statistical data are available, the following observations are presented: (1) The sum of the octahedral covalent radius of Ru(II)¹⁸ and the single bond covalent radius of N¹⁸ is 2.03 Å., which is about 0.1 Å. smaller than the observed Ru-N distance, indicating partial ionic character in the Ru-N bond (infrared evidence is also consistent with ionic character in M-NH₃ bonds—see Nakamoto¹⁹). (2) The sum of the octahedral covalent radius of Ru(II) and the radius of sulfur (calculated from the S-O bond distance in solid SO₂ and the double bond covalent radius of oxygen¹⁸) is longer by 0.14 Å. than the observed Ru-S distance, indicating partial double bond character in the Ru-S bond. (3) The sum of the octahedral covalent radius of Ru(II) and the single bond covalent radius of Cl¹⁸ is 2.32 Å., which is 0.1 Å. smaller than the observed Ru-Cl distance and considerably smaller than the sum obtained using the chloride anion (3.13 Å.); thus the Ru-Cl bond is predominantly covalent.

Like other ammine complexes¹⁹ containing very electronegative atoms, the Ru-SO₂ complex is hydrogen bonded, as is evidenced by inter- and intramolecular spacings of 2.9–3.3 Å. between the ammine nitrogens and the sulfur, two chlorines, and two oxygens. These inter- and intramolecular spacings of 2.9–3.3 Å. fall into the range of values reported in Table 4.1.12 of the International Tables⁹ for hydrogen bonds between N-N, N-Cl, and N-O atoms.

Examination of the X-ray powder pattern and preliminary single crystal precession photographs of $[\text{Ru}^{\text{II}}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{SO}_2)\text{Br}]\text{Br}$ shows that this complex has an orthorhombic unit cell with $a = 14.35$, $b = 9.51$,

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TABLE V
OBSERVED INTERPLANAR SPACINGS^a (IN Å.) FOR
SEVERAL Ru-SO₂ COMPLEXES

[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₄ (SO ₂)Cl]Cl	[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₄ (SO ₂)Br]Br ^b	[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₅ (SO ₂)Cl] ₂ ^b	[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₅ (SO ₂)]Br ₂ ^{c,d}
5.713 s	5.821 w	5.897 s	6.45 w
5.589 s	5.673 s	5.745 s	6.15 s
5.019 m	5.169 w	5.101 w	5.85 w
4.405 vw	4.244 s	5.016 w	5.65 s
4.156 w	3.844 vw	4.341 vw	4.52 m
3.857 vw	3.755 m	4.174 vw	4.15 w
3.768 vw	3.489 w	3.963 w	4.05 m
3.643 ms	3.136 w	3.697 vw	3.60 s
3.406 m	3.071 vw	3.624 w	3.51 s
3.270 vw	2.941 vw	3.582 s	3.49 s
3.142 vw	2.908 vw	3.487 vw	3.39 vw
3.047 m	2.887 vw	3.365 vw	3.23 m
2.846 w	2.819 m	3.325 vw	3.10 w
2.801 w	2.741 vw	3.125 vw	3.05 vw
2.740 m	2.692 vw	3.071 m	2.95 m
2.640 w	2.631 w	3.009 w	2.85 m
2.603 w	2.501 vw	2.819 vw	2.76 m
2.575 w	2.369 m	2.794 vw	2.59 wm
2.433 m	2.334 w	2.736 w	2.50 vw
2.316 w	2.154 vw	2.715 vw	2.38 vw
2.295 w	2.134 m	2.680 vw	2.32 vw
2.207 wm	2.122 w	2.622 vw	2.06 m
2.157 wm	2.058 vw	2.556 wm	
2.082 wm	2.049 vw	2.516 wm	
2.058 w	2.005 m	2.470 vw	
1.993 w	1.986 vw	2.406 vw	
1.955 wm	1.969 vw	2.355 wm	
1.941 vw	1.930 vw	2.314 w	
1.913 vw	1.913 vw	2.282 wm	
		2.260 vw	
		2.230 vw	
		2.211 vw	
		2.154 vw	
		2.089 wm	
		2.064 vw	
		2.001 vw	
		1.989 vw	
		1.971 vw	
		1.957 vw	
		1.926 vw	
		1.907 vw	

^a The patterns were recorded on film, using a Debye-Scherrer camera and Cr K_α radiation. ^b Estimated to ±0.005 Å. ^c Estimated to ±0.01 Å. ^d Many extremely weak lines are not reported.

$c = 7.45 \text{ \AA.} \pm 0.2\%$ (estimated). The density, measured by floatation, is $2.45 \pm 0.05 \text{ g./cc.}$ at 24° (corresponding to four formula weights per unit cell). Space group absences for $0kl$, $k + l \neq 2n$; $hk0$, $h \neq 2n$; $h00$, $h \neq 2n$; $0k0$, $k \neq 2n$; $00l$, $l \neq 2n$ are consistent with either Pna2₁ or Pnam. Thus, the bromo bromide and chloro chloride complexes appear to be isomorphous.

Comparison of the powder patterns of four of the Ru-SO₂ complexes (Table V) afforded a qualitative method of determining whether or not their crystal structures were isomorphous. The pattern of the bromo bromide was consistent with the conclusions drawn from the single crystal data. In the case of the dichloride complex, however, departure from the chloro chloride pattern was evidenced by splitting of some of the corresponding medium intensity lines in the former into doublets, suggesting deviation from ortho-

TABLE VI
INFRARED FREQUENCIES (IN CM.⁻¹) OF THE NH₃ LIGAND
IN RUTHENIUM-AMMINE COMPLEXES

Complex	Sym. str. ^a	Asym. str.	Sym. def.	Asym. def.	Rock
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₆]Cl ₃	3218 s	3405 m	1312 m	1608 m	775 m
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₅ Cl]Cl ₂	3208 s	3405 m	1290 s	1610 m	790 m
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₄ (HSO ₃) ₂]	3260 s	3430 m	1299 s	1633 m	782 m
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₄ (SO ₂)Cl]Cl	3225 s	3420 ms	1245 s	1625 m	779 m
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₄ (SO ₂)Br]Br	3225 s	3420 s	1248 s	1618 m	763 m
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₅ (SO ₂)]Cl ₂	3205 s	3425 s	1240 s	1625 m	808 m
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₅ (SO ₂)]Br ₂	3215 s	3410 ms	1260 s	1620 m	805 m

^a A broad irregularly shaped band.

TABLE VII
INFRARED FREQUENCIES (IN CM.⁻¹) OF FREE AND
COORDINATED SO₂

Complex	Sym. str.	Asym. str.	Bend
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₄ (SO ₂)Cl]Cl	1100 s	1301 } s	552 m
		1278 } s	
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₄ (SO ₂)Br]Br	1100 s	1299 } s	550 m
		1278 } s	
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₅ (SO ₂)]Cl ₂	1098 s	1303 } s	548 m
		1255 } s	
[Ru ^{II} (NH ₃) ₅ (SO ₂)]Br ₂	1117 s	1327 } s	551 m
		1301 } s	
SO ₂ (solid) ²⁰	1147 m	1330 } s	521 m
		1308 } s	

rhombic to lower symmetry. The pattern for the dibromide complex was dissimilar to the patterns of the other complexes. Three-dimensional data for these complexes presently are being collected by counter methods similar to those used for the chloro chloride, with the intent of obtaining detailed structure analyses.

The Infrared Study

Coordinated amines exhibit five fundamental modes in their vibrational spectra (plus the M-N mode, whose position is still a subject of controversy).¹⁹ Table VI gives the positions and empirical assignments of the bands in the Ru-SO₂ complexes and in three of its precursors that are considered to arise from the ammine ligand. The remaining medium and strong bands are attributed to the SO₂ ligand and are presented in Table VII along with the band assignments for uncoordinated, solid SO₂.²⁰

In the Ru-SO₂ complexes, the band at 1245 cm.^{-1} was assigned to the symmetric deformation mode of the NH₃ ligand rather than the band at 1301 cm.^{-1} , on the basis of its intensity relative to the asymmetric deformation band in the SO₂-free complexes. The 1301 cm.^{-1} band is considered to arise from the SO₂ group. Additional support for this assignment is the appearance of a band at 1302 cm.^{-1} in two of Vaska's⁵ SO₂ complexes which do not contain ammine or other ligands having absorptions in this region (aside from the SO₂).

The lower values of the stretching modes of the SO₂ in the complexes, compared to those in uncoordinated, solid SO₂ may arise from the same factors that are responsible for the C-O stretching frequencies in metal carbonyls being lower than those in free CO.²¹ However, the effect in the metal carbonyls is of much greater magnitude than in the SO₂ complex. It is suggested

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therefore that the S-O bond order may be lowered and the Ru-S bond order raised by overlap of empty antibonding π orbitals on the SO₂ ligand with the filled nonbonding d orbitals of the ruthenium. A molecular orbital treatment of the complex would be helpful in deciding the validity of this suggestion.

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The System Trisulfur Dichloride and Methylamine. The Preparation of N,N'-Dimethylcyclohexasulfur-1,5-diimide¹

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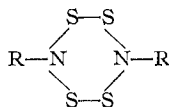
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The reaction of trisulfur dichloride with methylamine has been investigated. Under conditions of high dilution using petroleum ether "B" as a solvent, a crystalline compound, S₆(NCH₃)₂, was prepared. Infrared and proton magnetic resonance spectra are reported in support of a 1,5 or symmetrical ring structure. A reaction mechanism for the formation of this eight-membered, cyclic imide is proposed.

Introduction

Various investigators have allowed S₂Cl₂ and SCl₂ to react with primary organic amines to form six- and eight-membered heterocyclic sulfur-nitrogen compounds.

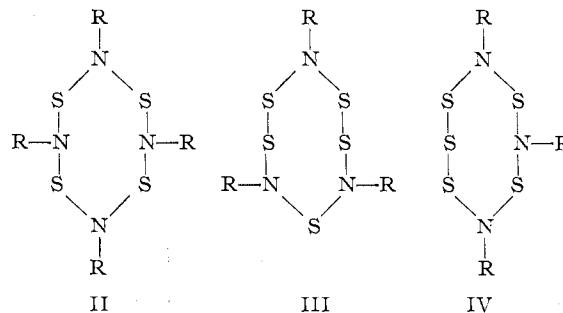
Becke-Goehring and Jenne^{2,3} prepared a series of six-membered compounds by the reaction of S₂Cl₂ with primary amines. Configuration I was proposed for the primary product isolated



I

(R = ethyl, *n*-dodecyl, cyclohexyl, benzyl, and β -phenylethyl)

A series of eight-membered sulfur-nitrogen heterocycles, with proposed configurations II, III, and IV, have been prepared by the reaction of SCl₂ with primary amines. Stone and Nielsen^{4,5} prepared the methyl analogs. Becke-Goehring and Schlotter⁶ prepared the benzyl and β -phenylethyl analogs of II. Ross, Roscoe, and Pace⁷ prepared the ethyl analog of II and the benzyl and β -phenylethyl analogs of III.



II, R = methyl, ethyl, benzyl, β -phenylethyl
III, R = methyl, benzyl, β -phenylethyl
IV, R = methyl

No successful cyclizations of the polysulfur dichlorides (S_{*n*}Cl₂, where *n* > 2) have been reported, although attempts have been implied.⁸ Fehér, Naused, and Weber⁹ have described the preparation and properties of the individual polysulfur dichlorides where *n* = 3, 4, 5, and 6.

Various open-chain condensations of S₃Cl₂ have been reported. Fehér and Kruse¹⁰ have allowed S₃Cl₂ to react with a large excess of H₂S to prepare H₂S₃. Fehér and Weber¹¹ have prepared RSO₂S₃SO₂R (where R = *p*-toluene) by the reaction of S₃Cl₂ with RSO₂Na.

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