will depend on the relative energies for localization of an electron on the *ortho* and *para* positions. Qualitatively, localization at the *ortho* position would seem to be the more probable, since it conserves a conjugated butadiene system. [Although the stereochemistry of the $[C_{10}H_8Mo(CO)_3CH_3]_2$ molecule is established as involving *ortho-ortho* coupling, no definitive information is yet available on $[C_{10}H_8V(CO)_4]_2^4$ or $[C_{10}H_8Mn (CO)_3]_2$.³] (b) The five available carbon atoms in the seven-membered ring may combine with a further metal carbonyl residue, to form a *trans* product such as

require the metal atoms to be within bonding distance. J

(34) We have recently prepared a complex which mans spectrometric analysis indicates to be C₁₀H₈Mn₂(CO)₆. We expect this to have structure VI. NOTE ADDED IN PROOF.-This has now been confirmed (P. H. Bird and M. R. Churchill, *Chem. Commun.*, in press).

(iii) If the metal atom in the pseudo- π -cyclopentadienyl complex (III-V) has only a 17-electron configuration, a metal-metal bond will be formed and a second metal carbonyl residue will be linked to the sevenmembered ring *via* a π -allyl (VIII) or π -pentadienyl (IX) linkage. The reason why azulenediiron (I) contains a π -allyl-metal linkage whereas azulenedimolyb-

denum hexacarbonyl (II) has a π -pentadienyl-metal bond is not fully understood. It may be due to the 3d orbitals of the iron atom being too small to overlap effectively with all five atoms in the prospective π pentadienyl system, or to the intrinsic stability of the Fe(C0)a system *per se.* It is hoped that current experiments involving the isoelectronic azulene-ruthenium-carbonyl system may clarify this problem.

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Crystal Structure of **a** Binuclear Vanadyl(1V) Anion. Tetrasodium Divanadyl(IV) d -Tartrate l -Tartrate Dodecahydrate¹

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The crystal structure of the sodium salt of divanadyl(IV) d-tartrate l-tartrate dodecahydrate (Na₄[VO-dl-C₄H₂O₀]₂. 12H₂O) has been determined by Fourier methods, and the positional and anisotropic thermal parameters of the atoms were refined by least-squares methods on three-dimensional photographic data. The crystals are orthorhombic, space group Pbca, with $a = 19.85$, $b = 10.76$, and $c = 12.28$ A. The measured density is 1.85 g/cm³ while that calculated for eight formula units of $\text{Na}_2[\text{VOC}_4H_2O_6]$.6H₂O is 1.858 g/cm³. The tetranegative dimeric anions contain two VO²⁺ ions bridged by a d-tartrate and an I-tartrate group which have lost all of thc carboxyl and hydroxyl hydrogen atoms to give tetranegative tartrate ions. The vanadium atoms are situated in a normal square-pyramidal coordination site in contrast to the distorted trigonal-bipyramidal coordination found in $(NH_4)_4[VO-d-C_4H_2O_6]_2$. 2H₂O. The vanadium-vanadium distance is 4.082 A. The final *R* factor is 0.10 for 2629 nonzero reflections.

Recently, we reported² the characterization and comparison of the two different complexes of vanadyl (IV)

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Introduction **obtained** with *d*-tartaric and racemic tartaric acids. Arguing purely from aqueous solution evidence and molecular models, we postulated structures for these two isomers consisting of two vanadyl (IV) ions bridged by two tartrate anions which have lost the protons from

(2) R. E. Tapscott and R. L. Belford, *Inorg. Chem.*, **6**, 735 (1967).

both carboxyl and both hydroxyl groups-the vanadyl-(IV) d-tartrate anion having two d-tartrate bridges and the vanadyl(1V) dl-tartrate anion having one *d*tartrate and one I-tartrate bridge. These proposed structures required the dd isomer to exhibit a *trans* configuration about the vanadium atom but the dl isomer to have a *cis* configuration isomer to have a *cis* configuration

The structure of the dd isomer has been determined using X-ray diffraction techniques³ and confirms the essential features of our postulated model for this complex. For comparison and to obtain data necessary to interpret spectroscopic work now in progress on the solid state of these compounds, we have determined the crystal structure of the sodium salt of vanadyl (IV) dl-tartrate.

Experimental Section

Preparation of Compound.-Tetrasodium divanadyl(IV) dtartrate l-tartrate dodecahydrate, hereafter referred to as Na4- [VO-dl-tart]₂ · 12H₂O,⁴ was prepared as previously described² and crystals were grown by evaporation of an aqueous solution.

Crystallographic Data.-The crystals belong to the orthorhombic system. Using a sodium chloride crystal as a reference *(a* = 5.6387 A): and Mo *Ka* radiation **(A** 0.7107 A), the cell parameters were $a = 19.85 \pm 0.06$, $b = 10.76 \pm 0.03$, and $c =$ 12.28 ± 0.03 A as determined from precession photographs at *25".* The standard deviations reported are the sum of the average standard deviations in the measurements of the cell dimensions of NaCl and of $\text{Na}_{4}[\text{VO-}dl\text{-}tant]_2\cdot12\text{H}_2\text{O}$. The volume of the unit cell is 2623×10^{-24} cm³. If it contains eight formula units of $\text{Na}_2[\text{VOC}_4\text{H}_2\text{O}_6] \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (formula weight, 367.09), the calculated density is 1.858 g/cm³; the value measured by flotation in a mixture of carbon tetrachloride and iodomethane is 1.85 $g/cm³$. We had previously reported² the empirical formula to be $\text{Na}_2[\text{VOC}_4\text{H}_2\text{O}_6] \cdot 5.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ on the basis of microanalytical data, but the density measurement and subsequent structural work indicated six water molecules per vanadium atom.6 *F(000)* is 1496. Sytematic absences, as detected from precession *(Okl,* lkl, *h01,* and *hll)* and Weissenberg *(hkO* and *hkl)* photographs, *Okl* when k is $2n + 1$, $h0l$ when l is $2n + 1$, and $hk0$ when *h* is $2n + 1$ determine the space group as Pbca (D_{2h}^{16} , No. 61). The linear absorption coefficient, μ (Mo K α), is 9.4 cm⁻¹.

Morphology of Crystals.-The lustrous brown crystals grow easily as large diamond-shaped plates lying on the (100) face. In addition to the well-developed $\{100\}$ faces, the crystals exhibit all of the $\{111\}$ faces. The crystals belong to the holohedral class, point group mmm (Dzh), with extinction directions along the diagonals of the diamond. The plates exhibit strong dichroism when viewed perpendicular to the (100) face; the color is dark brown ivhen the light is polarized along **c** and light brown when along *b.* Figure 1 shows a drawing of the crystal habit for reference to the present work and to the crystal spectra to be reported later.

Figure 1.-Crystal habit of Na₄[VO-dl-tart]₂. 12H₂O. The measured angles have an estimated accuracy of $\pm 0.5^{\circ}$.

Collection of $X-Ray Data$. To obtain a roughly equidimensional specimen for the intensity measurements, we cut a single, large plate to give a crystal with dimensions $0.47 \times 0.48 \times 0.70$ mm. The crystal was mounted along the c axis and intensities were recorded on multiple films using an equiinclination Weissenberg camera with zirconium-filtered Mo *Ka* radiation **(A** 0.7107 A). Sixteen levels of data were taken (hk0-hk15) and 2629 independent nonzero reflections were estimated visually by comparison with calibrated film strips. Lorentz and polarization factors were applied, but no correction was made for absorption. Initially, the various levels of data were placed on a common scale according to the exposure time.

Structure Determination.-The space group Pbca has eight general positions and the cell data require one vanadium atom per asymmetric unit. The position of the vanadium atom was readily obtained from the three-dimensional Patterson synthesis.' The first Fourier synthesis, with signs from the calculated contribution of the vanadium atom to the structure factors, showed peaks which we considered to be the four coordinating oxygen atoms on the tartrate chain and the two sodium ions. A second Fourier synthesis, based on the further information provided by these atoms, indicated the positions of the remaining atoms, other than hydrogen. At this point, the crystallographic R factor, $R = \sum ||F_{o}| - |F_{c}||/\sum |F_{o}|$, was 0.41. Several cycles of full-matrix least-squares refinement⁸ using isotropic temperature coefficients reduced *R* to 0.11. All reflections were given unit weight and the quantity minimized was $\sum w||F_o| - |F_e||^2$. The weight and the quantity minimized was $\sum w ||F_0| - |F_c||^2$. The interlevel scale factors were adjusted to the calculated structure factors prior to the anisotropic refinement but were not adjusted thereafter. Introduction of anisotropic temperature factors reduced R to 0.10 after six cycles of least-squares refinement. Limited computer capacity made it impossible to carry out fullmatrix refinement on all 20 atoms (other than hydrogen) when

⁽³⁾ J. G. Forrest and C. K. Prout, *J. Chem. Soc., Sect. A,* 1312 (1967).

⁽⁴⁾ As in our previous paper,² we are using the nomenclature "tart" to indicate a tetranegative tartrate group which has lost all carboxyl and hydroxyl hydrogens, as distinguished from the normal dinegative ion, which has lost only the hydrogens from the carboxylic groups.

⁽⁵⁾ **J.** D. H. Donnay, G. Donnay, E. G. Cox, 0. Kennard, and M. V. King, "Crystal Data, Determinative Tables," 2nd ed, Monograph No. *5,* American Crystallographic Association, 1963, p 883.

⁽⁶⁾ The material analyzed previously² was dried for 10 days over CaCl₂ under vacuum, evidently converting at least part of the compound to a lower hydrate. Drying for 10-12 hr over CaCl₂ gives material analyzing as the dodecahydrate. Anal. Calcd for Na₄[VOC₄H₂O₆]₂.12H₂O: C, 13.09; H, 3.85; V, 13.88; H20, **29.45.** Found: C, 13.66; H,3.89; V, 13.92; HzO (by weight loss at 90° under vacuum with N₂ purge), 29.18. Crystals stored over CaCl₂ eventually exhibit cracking and analysis for a lower hydrate, but those stored under normal atmospheric conditions appear to be indefinitely stable. The crystal used in this work was air dried only.

⁽⁷⁾ All calculations were carried out on the IBRl **7094** computer at the University of Illinois.

⁽⁸⁾ P. K. Gantzel, R. A. Sparks, and K. N. Trueblood, "I.U.C. World List of Crystallographic Programs," International Union of Crystallography, 1962, No. 384.

the thermal motion was treated anisotropically. We divided the atoms into two groups and refined those groups alternately. One group contained all of the atoms of the anionic complex and the other group consisted of the sodium ions and oxygen atoms of the water molecules of crystallization; the vanadium, the vanadyl oxygen, and the two noncoordinating carboxyl oxygen atoms were common to both groups. In the final two cycles of refinement, the parameter shifts were not greater than 10% of the estimated standard deviations.

At this point a three-dimensional difference map was calculated to assess the correctness of the structure. Some of the largest peaks could be attributed to hydrogen atoms although it was impossible to locate all of the hydrogen positions from this map. The hydrogen atoms were included in the calculation by estimating their positions from the most reasonable hydrogen-bonding scheme and from the assumption of a tetrahedral geometry about the central carbon atoms in the tartrate chain. 9 Four additional cycles of anisotropic refinement were then carried out, after introduction of the 14 hydrogen atoms with an isotropic temperature coefficient (B_θ) of 4.0, alternating groups of atoms as described previously. Xo attempt was made to refine the hydrogen atom parameters. Introduction of the hydrogen atoms caused no other atomic parameter to change by an amount greater than its estimated standard deviation. The final shift in any parameter was, at most, 12% of its estimated standard deviation when this series of refinements was terminated. The final *R* factor, excluding unobserved reflections, was 0.10. Tables I and I1 show the positional and thermal parameters used in the final structure factor calculation and the rms amplitudes of vibration. Table I11 contains the final list of observed and calculated structure amplitudes. The calculated values of the unobserved reflections, with the exception of a few low-order terms which were obscured by the beam stop, were insufficiently large to indicate that they should have been observed.¹⁰ Scattering factor curves for neutral V, O, C, and H and for Na^+ were taken from the "International Tables for X-Ray Crystallography."¹¹ No correction was made for anomalous dispersion since this is a nonpolar space group; furthermore, the corrections are small (for V, with Mo K α , $\Delta f' = 0.3$ and $\Delta f'' = 0.7$).¹²

The final temperature coeflicients of all of the atoms refined are much lower than might be expected but may not be unreasonable for crystals with a large amount of ionic and hydrogen bonding. The temperature factors may be artificially small as a calculation shows that a maximum deviation of $\pm 13\%$ may occur in some structure amplitudes due to absorption. The rms amplitudes of vibration, though small, appear to be qualitatively reasonable. The vibrations of all of the oxygen atoms of the dimeric anion are primarily normal to the bonds. We agree, however, with one referee's comment that the anisotropic thermal parameters are suspect, not only owing to absorption effects, but also because of the difficulty in obtaining a uniform set of data from one set of Weissenberg photographs.

Although introduction of anistropic thermal parameters did

TABLE I FINAL ATOMIC PARAMETERS, WITH ESTIMATED STANDARD AND ORIGIN AS IN INTERNATIONAL TABLES FOR X-RAY C_{RYSTALLOCB} ADITY DEVIATIONS $(\times 10^5)$, IN FRACTIONS OF THE UNIT CELL EDGE

not, in this case, change any bond parameters significantly, a bond length change was noted in another vanadyl(IV) structure determination upon going from an isotropic to an anisotropic refinement^{13₈} and we wished to check this possibility in the present instance. On the basis of a significance test, $13b$ the anisotropic model offers a significantly better fit to the diffraction data than the isotropic one. This test does not, however, assess the systematic errors mentioned in the text.

Results and Discussion

Table IV gives the interatomic distances and bond angles along with their standard deviations. The distances and angles reported for uncoordinated *d*tartaric acid are also given for comparison, Figure *2* is a drawing of the dimeric anion giving our atom designations and the values of the bond angles; the "primed" and "unprimed" atoms are related by a center of inversion. A stereoscopic drawing of the anion with the bond distances is presented in Figure **3.14** IVhile our calculation of the standard deviations has neglected some off-diagonal elements (see discussion of final least-squares refinement) and may, therefore, be somewhat optimistic, the excellent agreement among chemically equivalent distances and angles and with other accurate structure determinations gives us confidence that the error, so introduced, is small.

⁽⁹⁾ H(1) and H(2) are the hydrogen atoms on the tartrate chain. To place each one we set the H-C-0 and the two H-C-C angles equal and took each carbon-hydrogen bond length to be 1.14 A as determined in d -tartaric acid by neutron diffraction: Y. Okaya, N. R. Stemple, and M. I. Kay, *Acta Cryst.*, **21**, 237 (1966). To place the remaining 12 hydrogen atoms we proposed a hydrogen-bonding scheme (see Table VII) and made the following assumptions. If atom **A** is an oxygen atom of a water molecule acting as the donor of hydrogen atoms H_b and H_c to atoms B and C, we constrained the hydrogen atoms to lie in the ABC plane and the H_b-A-B angle to equal the H_c-A-C angle. A standard water molecule bond angle of 105° and bond length of 0.99 A ("International Tables for X-Ray Crystallography," Vol. 111, The Kynoch Press, Birmingham, England, 1962, p 272) were used in the calculations.

⁽¹⁰⁾ The following reflections were obscured by the beam stop: $h =$ *0, kl* = 20, 21, *22,* 23, *25,* 26, 27; *h* = 1, */*E* = *11,* 21, *02, 12,* 22, *13, 23,* 04, *f4, 16, 06, 16, 26, 17, 27, 08, 18, 19,* 010, *110,* 111, 012, *12,* 014, 115; *h* = 2, *121* = 111, 012, *112, 113,* 014, *115; h* = **3,** *Id* = *02,* 12, *13,* 04, *15?* 06, 16, *17, 08,* $18, 010, 014$; $h = 4, kl = 02, 04$. **00,** *io,* 11, 21, 02, *12, 22, 13,* **04,** *14, 15,* 06, *16, 17, 27, 08, 18, 10,* 010, *110,*

⁽¹¹⁾ J. A. Ibers in "International Tables for X-Ray Crystallography," Vol. III, The Kynoch Press, Birmingham, England, 1962, pp 201-205,

⁽¹²⁾ C. H. Dauben and D. H. Templeton, *Acta Cryst.,* **8,** 841 (1955).

^{(13) (}a) P. K. Hon, R. L. Belford, and C. E. Pfluger, *J. Chem. Phys.*, 43, **1323** (1965); (b) W. C. Hamilton, *Acta Cryst.*, **18**, 502 (1965). From the weighted R_2 factors of 0.132 and 0.124 for the isotropic and anisotropic refinements, respectively, the anisotropic refinement offers a significant improvement at the 99.995% confidence level.

⁽¹⁴⁾ This figure and Figures 5 and 6 were constructed on a Calcomp plotter by the ORTEP computer program: C. K. Johnson, Oak Ridge National Laboratory Report ORNL-3794, Oak Ridge, Tenn., 1965.

TABLE I1 **Final Anisotropic Temperature Parameters (X104)'**

	b_{11}	b_{22}		b_{33} b_{12}	b_{13}	b_{23}	$B(A^2)^b$
V	2.2(.2)	9.1(.7)	7.6(.6)	3.1(.9)	1.3(.7)	1.0(1.4)	.42(.02)
O(7)	9(2)	24(5)	28(5)	$-10(5)$	$-7(4)$	$-13(6)$	1.39(.11)
C(1)	2(1)	15(5)	5(4)	6(4)	1(3)	6(6)	.43(.09)
C(2)	7(2)	18(6)	7(4)	$-1(5)$	$-1(4)$	$-3(7)$.72(.10)
C(3)	6(2)	13(5)	2(4)	10(4)	$-1(3)$	$-4(6)$.62(.10)
C(4)	5(2)	12(5)	11(4)	13(4)	$-1(4)$	1(7)	.60(.10)
O(1)	8(1)	21(4)	14(4)	9(4)	2(3)	13(6)	1.02(.09)
O(2)	5(1)	52(6)	12(4)	$-14(5)$	3(3)	14(7)	1.28(.10)
O(3)	5(1)	22(4)	16(3)	11(3)	10(3)	4(6)	.89(.08)
O(4)	6(1)	27(5)	12(3)	$-18(4)$	$-1(3)$	$-2(6)$.96(.09)
O(5)	11(1)	8(4)	11(3)	$-5(4)$	$-10(3)$	$-10(6)$.87(.08)
O(6)	4(1)	23(4)	11(3)	16(4)	5(3)	22(6)	.73(.08)
Na(1)	8(1)	18(3)	18(2)	$-5(2)$	$-1(2)$	8(4)	1.06(.06)
Na(2)	7(1)	26(3)	24(2)	4(3)	4(2)	5(4)	1.29(.06)
W(1)	14(2)	36(6)	47(6)	2(6)	13(5)	$-4(8)$	2.25(0.15)
W(2)	4(2)	30(6)	41(5)	$-10(5)$	10(4)	6(8)	1.59(.12)
W(3)	4(1)	18(5)	34(4)	$-8(4)$	$-1(3)$	22(7)	1.14(.10)
W(4)	9(2)	37(7)	53(6)	10(5)	0(5)	17(9)	2.11(.13)
W(5)	21(2)	39(6)	31(5)	8(7)	8(6)	$-11(8)$	2.34(.14)
W(6)	14(2)	28(6)	65(7)	$-9(6)$	5(6)	6(10)	2.41(.14)

Root-Mean-Square Amplitudes of **Vibration (.01A)**

 a_{A} nisotropic thermal parameters are expressed in the form $\exp -(b_{11}h^2 + 1)$ $b_{22}k^2 + b_{33}l^2 + b_{12}hk + b_{13}hl + b_{23}kl$. The estimated standard deviations are given in parentheses.

bThe *B* **values** given in the last column **are** those obtained in the final isotropic refinement before refining anisotropically. These isotropic *B*
values agree closely with those estimated from the anisotropic thermal
parameters by averaging 4α⁴ × b₁₁, 4b² × b₂₂, and 4c² × b₂₃.

^CThe direction of the most nearly unique axis of the thermal ellipsoid is given. The last column indicares whether this **is** for the minimum (Min) or the maximum **(Max)** amplitude of vibration. listed refer to the x, y. and *z* axes in that order. The direction cosines

Structure of Vanadyl(IV) dl-Tartrate Anion.-This crystal structure determination confirms the previously postulated structure² for the vanadyl(IV) *dl*tartrate anion. The dimeric tetranegative anions are centrosymmetric, consisting of two vanadyl(1V) ions bridged by two tetranegative tartrate groups which have lost the protons from the two hydroxyl oxygen atoms as well as the two carboxyl oxygen atoms. If all chemically equivalent bond lengths and angles were equal, the anion would possess symmetry C_{2h} , the twofold axis bisecting the $C(2)$ to $C(3')$ and the $C(3)$ to $C(2')$ bonds. The coordination geometry of the vanadium atoms is approximately square pyramidal. Each vanadium atom coordinates two hydroxyl oxy-

Figure 2.-[VO-dl-tart] t^{4-} anion with atom designations and bond angles. See Table IV for standard deviations.

gen atoms and two carboxyl oxygen atoms of the tartrate group in a *cis* configuration with average V-0 bond lengths of 1.91 and 2.00 A, respectively. The vanadyl oxygen completes the fivefold coordination with a V-0 bond length of 1.619 A. The oxygen coordination pyramid is shown in Figure 4. Comparison with a similar figure given by Hon, Belford, and Pfluger^{13a} for vanadyl(IV) bisbenzoylacetonate shows that while the general features of the coordination geometry about the vanadium atoms are similar in the two compounds, the distances between the coordinating oxygen atoms in the six-membered chelate rings in vanadyl(1V) bisbenzoylacetonate are longer than the distances between the oxygen atoms on two different chelate rings whereas in $Na_4[VO-dl-tart]_2.12H_2O$, where the chelate rings are five-membered, the reverse is true.

The best planes through various groups of atoms are given in Table V. The carbon atoms of the tartrate chain $(C(1), C(2), C(3')$, and $C(4')$ are approximately planar, as are the coordinating oxygen atoms on this chain $(O(3), O(4'), O(5))$, and $O(6'))$. These planes are approximately parallel to the V-V vector. The angle between the plane of the four carbon atoms and the plane of the four oxygen atoms is 1.7° ; the angles between the V-V vector and these two planes are 4.8 and 4.4°, respectively.

The angle between the planes of the V, *0(3),* and $O(5)$ atoms and of the V, $O(4)$, and $O(6)$ atoms is 136.1°, which one can compare with the values 135.6 and 134.7° in vanadyl(IV) bisbenzoylacetonate and vanadyl(IV) bisacetylacetonate.¹⁵ The vanadium atom lies 0.546 A above the best plane of the four coordinating tartrate oxygen atoms $(O(3), O(4), O(5))$, and $O(6))$ compared with 0.538 A found in the bisbenzoylacetonate

⁽¹⁵⁾ The value given for vanadyl(IV) bisacetylacetonate was calculated by P. K. Hon, R. L. Belford, and C. E. Pfluger, *J. Chem. Phys.,* **48, 1323** (1965), from the coordinates reported by R. P. Dodge, D. H. Templeton, and **A.** Zalkin, *ibid.*, 35, 55 (1961), and reported along with the angle found in vanadyl(1V) bisbenzoylacetonate.

^{*a*} The data are divided into groups having a common value of *l*. The four columns in each group give *h*, *k*, F_o , and F_o in that order.

TABLE IV **Interatomic Distances and Angles for the Vanadyl (IV) dl-Tartrate Anion'**

Environment of Vanadium Distances (A)

Angles (deg)

The Tartrate Group and Comparison with Uncomplexed d-Tartaric Acid¹

Distances (A)

'Standard deviations given in parentheses.

and 0.551 A found in the bisacetylacetonate.¹⁶ The V-O(7) bond length, 1.619 A, for $\text{Na}_4[\text{VO-}dl\text{-}tart]_2$. $12H₂O$ compares well with vanadyl group bond lengths found in other vanadyl(1V) compounds (see Table VI) **.17**

Comparison of the Vanadyl(IV) dl -Tartrate Anion with the Vanadyl(IV) d-Tartrate Anion.—The V-V distance (4.082 A) for the *dl* dimer is somewhat shorter than that determined by Forrest and Prout3 for the *dd* dimer (4.35 A). This difference is associated with the severe distortion from a normal square-pyramidal configuration to give an approximately trigonal-bipyramidal arrangement about the vanadium atom in the latter structure. In the vanadyl(IV) d-tartrate dimer, the two hydroxyl oxygen atoms are somewhat depressed while the two carboxyl oxygen atoms are raised relative to the *dl* dimer to give the pseudo-trigonal-bipyramidal configuration with the vanadyl oxygen and the two hydroxyl oxygen atoms occupying the equatorial positions. In Table VI, the differences between the vanadyl oxygen-vanadium-ligand oxygen angles observed by Forrest and Prout in the vanadyl(IV) d tartrate anion and those angles observed for other vanadyl(1V) compounds are readily apparent. Note, however, that the hydroxyl oxygen-vanadium bonds are shorter than the carboxyl oxygen-vanadium bonds in both the *dd-* and dl-dimeric anions.

Molecular Packing and Hydrogen Bonding in the Crystal.-Figures *5* and 6 present stereoscopic drawings of the contents of the unit cell and the hydrogen and ionic bonding network, viewed along the *b* axis. The dimers lie in sheets parallel to the (100) plane with

^bY. Okaya, N. R. Stemple, and M. I. Kay, *Acta Cryst.,* 21, 237 (1966). Estimated standard deviations on bond lengths of .006 to *.007* **A** are reported.

⁽¹⁰⁾ These values were calculated by us from the atomic positions given by Hon, Belford, and Pfluger on the vanadyl(IV) bisbenzoylacetonate¹³⁸ and the atomic positions determined by a further anisotropic refinement of the isotropic parameters given by Dodge, Templeton, and Zalkin on the vanadyl(1V) bisacetylacetonate (see footnote *d,* Table VI).

⁽¹⁷⁾ Two additional crystal structure determinations give values for the vanadyl(IV) group bond length: 1.62 ± 0.06 A in diammonium oxotetra**kisisothiocyanatovanadate(1V)** pentahydrate [A. C. Hazell, *J. Chent.* Soc., 5745 (1963)] and 1.76 \pm 0.05 A in V₂O₄ [G. Andersson, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, **10, 623 (1956)].**

Figure 3.—Stereoscopic view of $[VO-dl-tart]_2^4$ anion with bond lengths. See Table IV for standard deviations. This figure is best viewed with the aid of a simple stereoscopic viewer, such as an aerial photograph reader.

The shortest V-V contacts between dimers are two for each vanadium at 7.351 A within a sheet and two for each vanadium at 5.142 A between sheets. Other V-V distances are two each at 8.641, 5.765, 9.105, and 9.402 **A.**

The sheets of dimers are held together by a rather complex system of hydrogen bonds, ion-dipole bonds, and ionic bonds. Our proposed hydrogen-bonding scheme, with the nearest neighbors of the sodium ions and oxygen atoms of the water molecules, is given in Figure 4.- Oxygen coordination pyramid. Table VII. One of these assigned hydrogen bonds,

Figure 5.-Stereoscopic view (along *b* axis) of the contents of the unit cell.

the V-V vector of the dimer approximately perpendicular to that plane. The dimer sheets are separated by layers of water molecules. Our earlier observation that (100) is the largest face of the crystal would indicate a preferred growth by addition of molecules to a sheet rather than by addition of dimer-water laminas. The greatest density of atoms should be within the dimer sheets.

W(6) to *O(3),* is very long and implies, at most, a very weak interaction. In this case, however, either there is no acceptor atom at all for one of the hydrogens or W(6) or *O(3)* is acting as an acceptor. Assumption of a hydrogen bond between $W(6)$ and $O(3)$ gives a satisfactory tetrahedral geometry about this water molecule. The other assignments of hydrogen bonds appear reasonable.

TABLE VI COMPARISON OF VANADIUM ENVIRONMENT IN Na₄(VO-dl-tart)₂. 12H₂O WITH THAT OBSERVED

^aEstimated standard deviations are in parentheses. Distances and angles involving equivalent atoms are grouped together.

 b J. G. Forrest and C. K. Prout, private communication. The angles and their standard deviations are those we calculate from the reported atomic positions with deviations and agree with the angles which they reported with one less significant figure. The first two atomic dis-
tances and bond angles involving the tartrate oxygen atoms, given above for the dlthe second two are for the hydroxyl oxygens.

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All of the oxygen atoms of the water molecules, except $W(1)$, have a pseudo-tetrahedral environment. $W(1)$ is in an approximately trigonal-planar environment and is 0.23 A out of the plane of the Na(2), $O(7)$, and *O(2)* atoms. The vibration of this oxygen atom, $W(1)$, appears to be primarily normal to the plane of these three atoms (Table II). $Na(1)$ and $Na(2)$ both have six oxygen atoms about them with approximately octahedral geometry.

Clark18 gives weighted averages (according to the estimated standard deviations) for the observed $0 \cdots H$ - $O-H \cdots O$ angles and $O \cdots O$ distances in hydrated crystals of salts of organic acids and related compounds. These values are 109° (low 57°, high 137°) for an average of 26 values and 2.84 A (low 2.49, high 3.01) for an average of 53 values. Excluding the somewhat doubtful $W(6)$ to $O(3)$ hydrogen bond, our values range from 87 to 136° for the $O \cdot \cdot \cdot H \cdot O - H \cdot \cdot \cdot O$ angles and from 2.66 to 3.04 A for the $0 \cdots 0$ distances.

All of the oxygen atoms in the anionic complex are either involved in hydrogen bonding to water molecules or are in close contact to sodium ions. The sodium ions aid directly in bonding within a dimer sheet and they also indirectly aid in bonding between sheets

since they bond to water molecules by ion-dipole interaction and thus contribute to the over-all intermolecular bonding network.

Discussion.--As noted in our earlier paper² on vanadyl(1V) tartrates, the optical absorption spectra of solutions of vanadyl(IV) dl -tartrate salts differ markedly from those of the vanadyl(IV) d -tartrate salts—the dl isomer exhibiting a three-band spectrum and the dd isomer exhibiting a four-band spectrum. Selbin and Morpurgo¹⁹ have published visible spectral data for solutions of several other vanadyl(IV) α hydroxycarboxylate salts. These exhibit four-band spectra very similar to that observed for the vanadyl- (IV) d-tartrate anion. With the exception of vanadyl- (IV) dl -tartrate salts, all aliphatic α -hydroxycarboxylic acid complexes of vanadyl(1V) which we have examined (around $pH 7$, in solution) have also shown fourband visible spectra.

Since we know that the vanadyl (IV) d-tartrate anion has a *trans* configuration whereas the vanadyl(1V) dltartrate anion has a *cis* configuration about the vanadyl group, the question immediately arises whether these other a-hydroxycarboxylate complexes have a *trans* configuration about the vanadyl(IV) ion as in the d -

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TABLE VI1 ENVIRONMEST *OF* SODIUM Ioxs **AKD** WATER MOLECULES AND PROPOSED HYDROGEN-BONDING SCHEME^a

Distances (A)

Acceptor-Donor-Acceptor Angles

aEstimated standard ceviations are given in parentheses. Arrows are drawn from the hydrogen donors *to* the hydrogen acceptors proposed.

tartaric acid complex and, if so, whether they also show the distortion from the square-pyramidal geometry exhibited by the *dd* dimer. Single-crystal X-ray diffraction studies of some of the salts of the vanadyl- (IV) α -hydroxycarboxylates should aid in answering these questions. 2o

The *dd* and *dl* isomers of vanadyl(1V) tartrate

(20) Such a crystal structure study is underway in these laboratories on the mixed tetraethylammonium-sodium salt of vanadyl(1V) benzilate (diphenylglycolate): N. 1). Chasteen, R. L. Belford, and I. C. Paul, work in progress.

present ideal systems for comparison of polarized crystal spectra since the two molecular species are both dimeric and both have a fourfold coordination to the vanadyl(1V) ion with two coordinating hydroxyl oxygen atoms and two coordinating carboxyl oxygen atoms. The major differences between the two species appear to be the *cis* or *trans* arrangement of the coordinating oxygen atoms and the pseudo-trigonal-bipyramidal configuration about the vanadium in the vanadyl (IV) d-tartrate anion. We hope, therefore, to make assignments of the bands observed in the electronic spectra of the *dd* and *dl* species by comparison of the polarized crystal spectra for the two isomers and by calculations of the changes in spectra which we should obscrve due to the two different geometries about the vanadium nuclei. Polarized crystal spectral studies are now in progress toward this end.

A third area of interest in this system is the observed V-V coupling in the vanadyl(IV) dl -tartrate anion.² We are, at present, doing low-temperature epr studies and magnetic susceptibility studies to determine the magnitude of the exchange coupling in this isomer and to determine whether such coupling also occurs in the dd isomer. This is the first such coupling to be observed by epr hyperfine splitting in vanadyl (IV) complexes and thus is of great theoretical interest.

The structure of the $[VO-d/4art]_2^{4-}$ ion serves as an interesting comparison to some results reported on antimony tartrate compounds.²¹⁻²⁴ The crystal structure of $(NH_4)_2[Sb_2(C_4H_2O_6)_2] \cdot 4H_2O^{22}$ shows this crystal to consist of dimers composed of two antimony(II1) ions bridged with *trans* configuration either by two dtartrate or two *l*-tartrate tetranegative ions. A crystallographic twofold axis relates one half of the dimer to the other. A preliminary note²³ on the structure of racemic potassium antimony tartrate indicates a monomeric structure in contrast to that found for the ammonium salt.

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