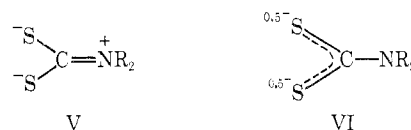


The bond distances and angles in the $(C_6H_5)_4As^+$ ion are all close to the normal, accepted values.¹⁷ However, the angles of rotation of the four phenyl groups about their respective As-C(*n*1)-C(*n*4) axes are such that the $(C_6H_5)_4As^+$ ion does not approximate to any symmetrical conformation (such as D_{2d} or S_4). In some other cases such high symmetries have been found^{23,24} although more or less drastic departures from symmetry

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The Crystal and Molecular Structure of Bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) Dihydrate¹

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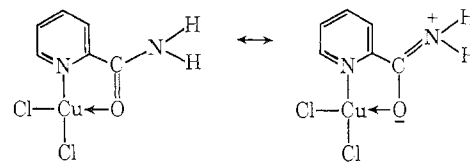
The crystal and molecular structure of bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate, $Ni(C_5H_5N_2O)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$, isolated from aqueous solution of pH 11.5, has been determined from three-dimensional X-ray data collected by the multiple-film Weissenberg method. The unit cell dimensions are: $a = 7.63 \pm 0.02 \text{ \AA}$, $b = 4.49 \pm 0.01 \text{ \AA}$, $c = 12.45 \pm 0.06 \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 90.0 \pm 0.3^\circ$. The crystal is a twinned composite with monoclinic components. The space group is $P2_1/c$, $Z = 2$, and the measured and calculated densities are 1.59 and 1.56 g cm^{-3} , respectively. The intensity data show essentially the orthorhombic mmm symmetry due to microscopic twinning. By using an incoherent twinning model, the structure was solved and refined by a least-squares method. Without the hydrogens, the final R factor is 10.7% for the 840 reflections. The pyridine ring nitrogen and the amide nitrogen are bonded to nickel with bond lengths of 1.92 and 1.87 (± 0.01) \AA , respectively. The four nitrogens of the two ligands bonded to nickel form a planar structure in *trans* configuration, and the water molecules are not coordinated to nickel. The molecules form infinite zigzag layers perpendicular to the b axis. The layers are held together by the hydrogen bonds of the waters of hydration and the van der Waals forces between the molecules. The twinning factor observed (m) is 0.56. It may be that a layer of the reversed structure stacks on one constituent structure component thus causing the twinning phenomenon.

Introduction

Crystal and molecular structures of amino acids, peptides, and acid amides have been investigated in detail by several authors because of their biological importance. Recently Conley and Martin² reported that picolinamide (pyridine-2-carboxamide), a derivative of an α -amino acid, forms different complexes with Cu^{2+} or Ni^{2+} in aqueous solution at different pH values and found that titration of solutions containing 2 mol of picolinamide per mol of Cu^{2+} or Ni^{2+} requires the addition of 2 equiv of base per mol of metal ion to reach pH 10. The original blue picolinamide-cupric and picolinamide-nickel ion solutions at the beginning of the titration change color to violet and to yellow-orange, respectively, during the course of the titration, and these color changes are typical of those found in peptides where amide hydrogens undergo cupric³ or nickel⁴

ion promoted ionizations. Conley and Martin² suggested that cupric or nickel ion promotes the ionization of two amide hydrogens forming at high pH a 2:1 ligand-metal complex with the ligands chelated through nitrogen atoms. Conley and Martin² also described the preparation of a neutral bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) complex yielding red needles.

Nagano, *et al.*,⁵ reported the isolation in the solid state of a 1:1 $CuCl_2$ complex of picolinamide and suggested that the structure of the complex is



I, picolinamide-cupric chloride

Their suggestion was based solely on the directions of shift of the infrared bands of the C=O and C-N stretching vibrations and the ring vibrations. Since, at the time this research was undertaken, the crystal and molecular structure of metal complexes of picolin-

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amide had not received previous investigation, this paper describes the result of an X-ray diffraction study with bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate.^{6,7}

Experimental Section

Preparation.—The crystals (red orthorhombic needles) were prepared from aqueous solutions containing 0.3 *M* picolinamide, 0.1 *M* NiSO₄, and 0.1 *M* sodium carbonate (pH ~11.5). Conley and Martin² have suggested that the red needles should be a 2:1 picolinamide-nickel ion complex with amide hydrogens ionized on both ligands. *Anal.* Calcd for Ni(C₆H₅N₂O)₂·2H₂O: Ni, 17.42; C, 42.77; H, 4.19. Found: Ni, 17.15; C, 42.09; H, 4.29. The solubility is less than 0.05 mg/100 g of water at 20°.

X-Ray Diffraction.—The crystals used for the present investigation were of the size 0.15 × 0.2 × 0.2 mm. Cu Kα radiation was chosen, and the diffracted beams were filtered through 1.0-mil Ni foil (λ 1.5418 Å). The linear absorption coefficient (μ) of the compound for Cu Kα radiation is 21.2 cm⁻¹. No corrections were made for absorption, since the maximum estimated error to structure factors is ±3%. The Lorentz and polarization corrections were made and the intensity data were reduced to a common scale by a program written by Shiono,⁸ using the least-squares method of Hamilton, Rollett, and Sparks.⁹ The unit cell parameters at 22°, as determined from the equatorial Weissenberg photographs along the *a* and *b* axes, are *a* = 7.63 ± 0.02 Å, *b* = 4.49 ± 0.01 Å, *c* = 20.45, ± 0.06 Å, β = 90.0 ± 0.3°. The diffraction patterns of sodium chloride powder were superimposed on the same films for calibration. The systematic absences that were observed on Weissenberg photographs are *l* odd for {*h*0*l*} and *k* odd for {0*k*0}, which correspond to the P2₁/c space group, with β = 90°. For two formula units in the cell the calculated density is 1.56 g cm⁻³; the observed density is 1.59 (±0.02) g cm⁻³ determined by flotation. Nickel is at the inversion center, as it is required by the crystallographic symmetry conditions. Six crystals were examined before choosing two for data collection. They all showed approximately the mmm Laue symmetry. The intensity data for the reciprocal lattice layers—*k* = 0, 1, and 2, and *h* = 0, 1, 2, and 3—were recorded on multiple films using the equiinclination Weissenberg technique and estimated visually against a standard scale.

Although an orthorhombic space group was at first suspected, because β = 90.0° and the intensities showed essentially the orthorhombic mmm Laue symmetry, there was however no orthorhombic space group which would give the observed systematic absences on Weissenberg photographs. Two ways of handling the data were used at the first stage of the investigation. The structure factors *F*(*hkl*)_o and *F*(*hkl*)_e were averaged to yield a set of orthorhombic data. However, on the basis of an assumption that these crystals are a twinned composite of the monoclinic components which are only pseudo-orthorhombic, we read the intensities of the reflections for *hkl* and *hk̄l* independently as is usually done in monoclinic data collection. The total number of independent observations counted in this way is 840.

Structure Determination

Without a definite idea about whether the crystal under investigation is disordered orthorhombic or monoclinic, our policy was to carry out calculations using both and to judge the correctness of the results of these refinements.

If we regard the systematic absences of *k* odd for {0*k*0} as accidental, then an orthorhombic space group Pmc₂1 or Pmcm could be adopted. Since the molecule

of bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) is centrosymmetric and the molecules should distribute evenly in the crystal, the space group Pmcm is to be preferred. In order to fulfill the symmetry requirements, the molecules have to be disordered. The atomic positions were easily located after assigning Ni to the special position at the origin. After cycles of refinements, the *R* factor was reduced to 0.18, with positive temperature parameters for all of the atoms. The *R* factor could be reduced to 0.165. However, some of the temperature parameters became negative and the bond lengths became absurd. The idea was abandoned as incorrect.

By adopting the monoclinic space group P2₁/c as dictated by the systematic absences and using the data as they were read from the photographs, the atomic positions were again located after assigning Ni to the special position at the origin. The *R* factor stayed at about 0.19 and would not improve.

The incoherent twinning model was then adopted. Like Wei, *et al.*,¹⁰ we set

$$|F(hkl)_o|^2 = m|F(hkl)_e|^2 + (1 - m)|F(hk\bar{l})_e|^2$$

$$|F(hk\bar{l})_e|^2 = m|F(hkl)_e|^2 + (1 - m)|F(hk\bar{l})_e|^2$$

where *m* is the fraction of one monoclinic twinning component lattice, and |*F*(*hkl*)_o| and |*F*(*hk̄l*)_o| are defined as

$$|F(hkl)_o| = \left[|F(hkl)_e|^2 \frac{|F(hkl)_e|^2}{|F(hk\bar{l})_e|^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$|F(hk\bar{l})_o| = \left[|F(hk\bar{l})_e|^2 \frac{|F(hk\bar{l})_e|^2}{|F(hkl)_e|^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

Note that |*F*(*hk̄l*)_o| is defined differently from that of Wei, *et al.*¹⁰ Our refinement was made to minimize the usual expression

$$\sum w[|F(hkl)_o| - s|F(hkl)_e|]^2$$

where the summation includes both positive and negative *l*, and *s* is the adjusted scale factor.

When the method was used, the *R* factor, defined as *R* = Σ[|*F*_o| - |*F*_e|]/Σ|*F*_o|, dropped quickly. With the anisotropic temperature factors and the twinning factor *m* refined,^{11,12} the final *R* factor became 0.107. Hydrogen atoms were not included. The final weighted *R* factor is 0.128, with the weighted *R* factor defined as

$$\text{weighted } R = [\sum w(F_o - sF_e)^2 / \sum wF_o^2]^{1/2}$$

Hughes' weighting scheme was used.¹¹ To justify the weighting scheme, we can rearrange the function minimized as shown below.

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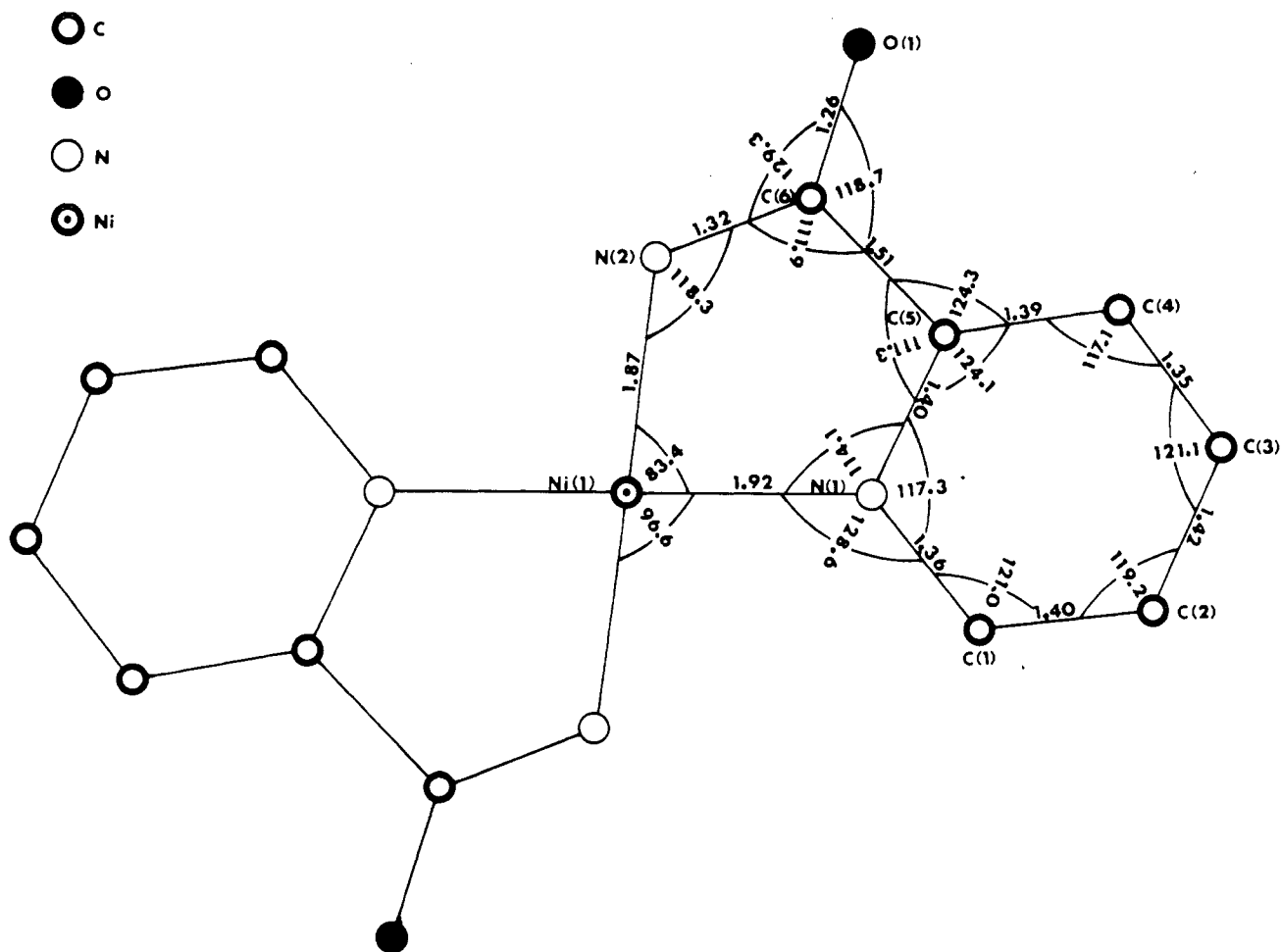


Figure 1.—Intramolecular bond lengths and angles in bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate.

TABLE III
BOND DISTANCES (Å) AND ANGLES (DEG)

Bonds	Bond distances in		Hydrogen-bonding distances	
	Bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate	Picolinamide ¹⁵	Theoret	Exptl
Ni(1)-N(1)	1.92 (1)			
Ni(1)-N(2)	1.87 (1)			
N(1)-C(1)	1.36 (2)	1.370		1.349
N(1)-C(5)	1.40 (2)			1.335
N(2)-C(6)	1.32 (2)			1.330
C(1)-C(2)	1.40 (2)	1.380		1.374
C(2)-C(3)	1.42 (2)	1.395		1.367
C(3)-C(4)	1.35 (2)			1.404
C(4)-C(5)	1.39 (2)			1.372
C(5)-C(6)	1.51 (2)			1.515
O(1)-C(6)	1.26 (2)			1.241
Bond angles in bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate				
N(1)-Ni(1)-N(2)	83.4 (8)	C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	121.1 (8)	
Ni(1)-N(1)-C(1)	128.6 (8)	C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	117.1 (8)	
Ni(1)-N(1)-C(5)	114.1 (8)	C(4)-C(5)-N(1)	124.1 (8)	
N(1)-C(5)-C(6)	111.3 (8)	C(1)-N(1)-C(5)	117.3 (8)	
Ni(1)-N(2)-C(6)	118.3 (8)	C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	124.3 (8)	
N(1)-C(1)-C(2)	121.0 (8)	C(5)-C(6)-O(1)	118.7 (8)	
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	119.2 (8)	N(2)-C(6)-O(1)	129.3 (8)	
Hydrogen-bonding angles in bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate				
O(1)···HO(2)H···O'(2)				107.8 (6)
O'(2)···HO(2)···HO''(2)				105.9 (6)
O(1)···HO(2)···HO'(2)				132.4 (6)

^a O(2), O'(2), and O''(2) are adjacent water oxygens and are related by the twofold screw axis. ^b O'(1) refers to O(1) of the adjacent centrosymmetrically related picolinamide molecule.

Description of the Structure

Table II lists the final atomic coordinates and thermal parameters. Figure 1 shows the molecular structure of bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) with the bond lengths and angles indicated. Table III shows the intramolecular and intermolecular bond

lengths and angles for bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate. Included for comparison are literature values for picolinamide itself.¹⁵ Results on root-mean-square displacements and the directions of the principal axes of the thermovibrational el-

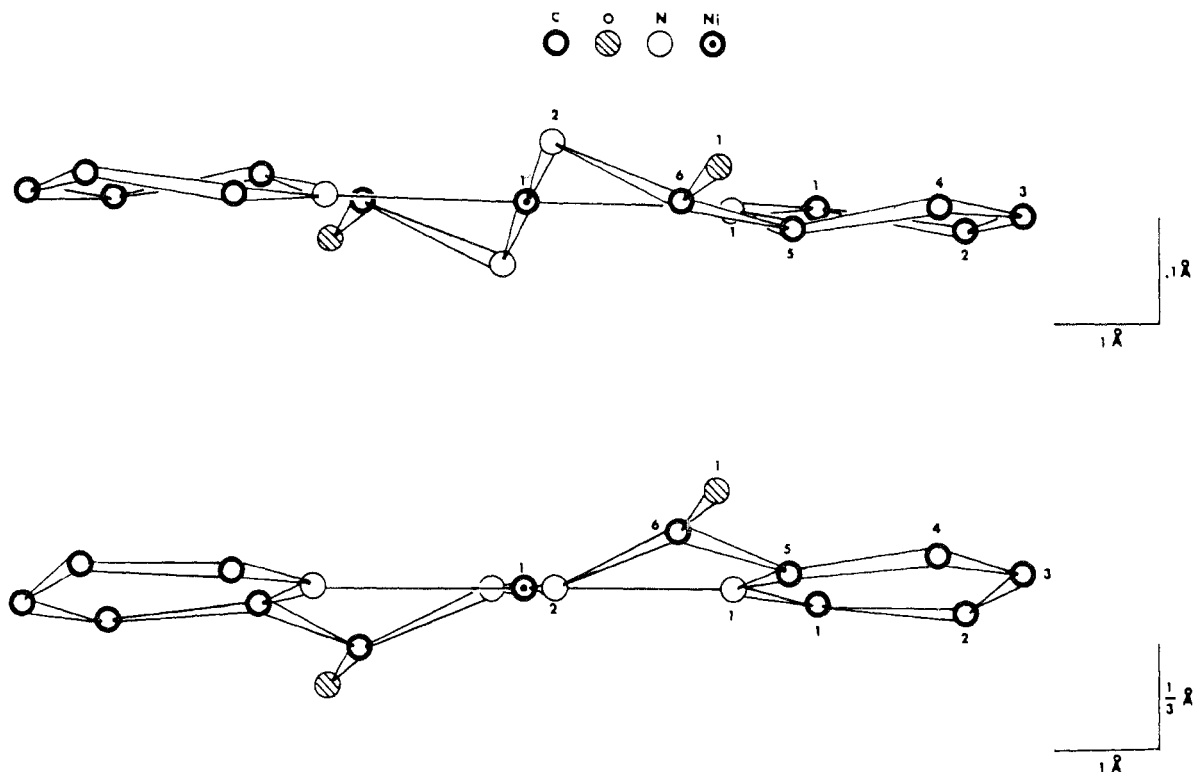


Figure 2.—Deviations of the atoms of bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate from a planar structure: (a) the horizontal plane perpendicular to the page is the least-squares plane of the pyridine ring; (b) the horizontal plane is the Ni-coordination plane.

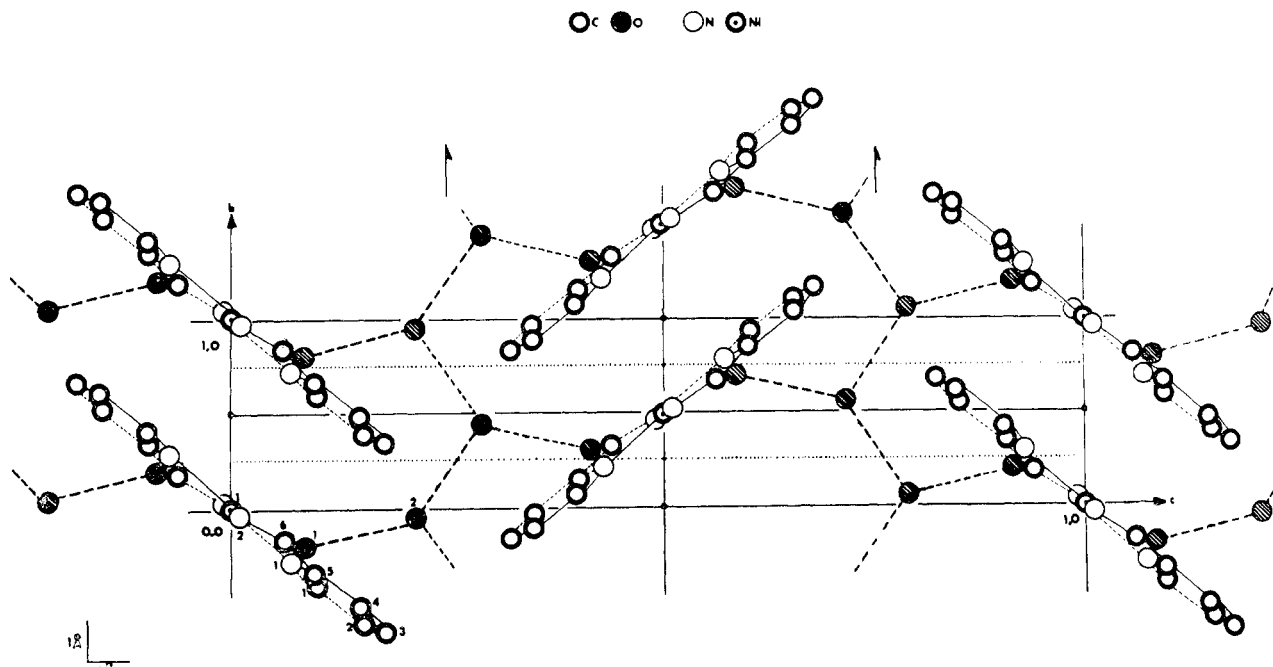


Figure 3.—The packing of bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate as shown projected down the a axis.

lipsoid show that O(1), N(2), C(1), and C(6) have the largest thermal vibrations and that these are nearly in a direction perpendicular to the plane of the molecule.

The closest van der Waals approach between two parallel molecules is about 3.5 Å. The dimensions of the pyridine ring in bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate agree very well with those reported

for picolinamide, nicotinamide, α -pyridoin, and nicotinic acid by Takano, *et al.*¹⁵ The centrosymmetric molecule is essentially planar, although the nickel coordination plane and the pyridine ring are slightly distorted. The fact that the Ni-N(1) distance is slightly greater than the Ni-N(2) distance may be a result of steric hindrance offered by the pyridine ring; in any

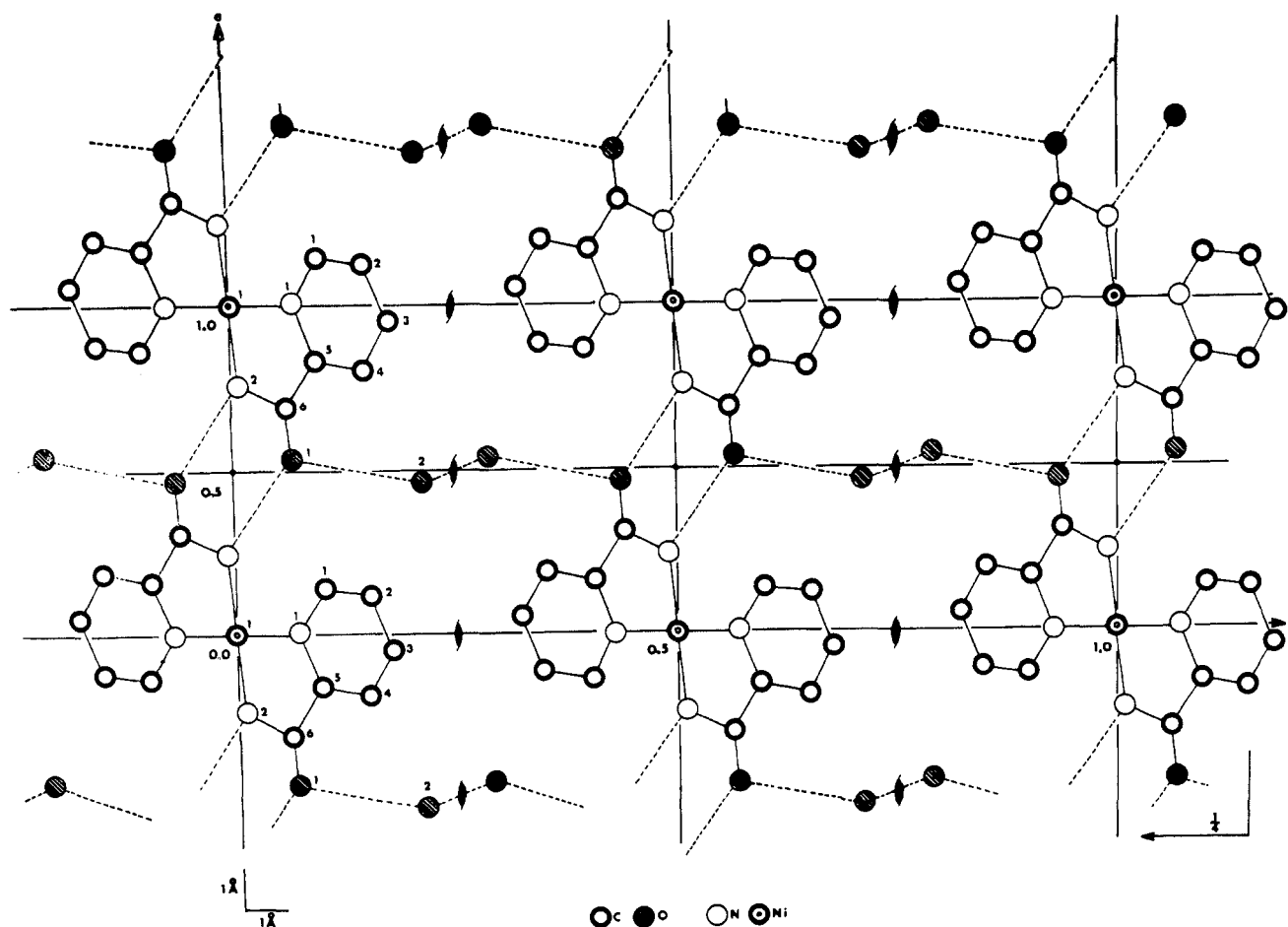


Figure 4.—The packing of bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate as shown projected down the b axis.

case, our data lead to the definite conclusion that the pyridine nitrogen and the amide nitrogen, rather than the carbonyl oxygen, are binding sites toward nickel. The least-squares plane passing through the pyridine ring is described by eq 1. The plane passing through the nickel and its coordinating nitrogens is described by eq 2. These results are also illustrated in Figure 2,

$$0.0784X + 0.7661Y + 0.6379Z = -0.0245 \quad (\text{pyridine}) \quad (1)$$

$$0.0158X + 0.7635Y + 0.6456Z = 0 \quad (\text{nickel coordination}) \quad (2)$$

where the XYZ coordinates are in the same directions as the crystal axes.

The molecules are held together by hydrogen bonds. Referring to Figure 3, we see that the waters of hydration form a zigzag chain about the twofold screw axis. The bond length $O(2)H \cdots O'(2)$ is 2.81 Å and the bond angle $O'(2) \cdots HO(2) \cdots HO''(2)$ is 106°. Each water molecule forms a hydrogen bond with another water molecule in the chain and a second hydrogen bond with the carbonyl oxygen. The bond length $O(1) \cdots HO(2)$ is 2.83 Å and the bond angle $O(1) \cdots HO(2)H \cdots O'(2)$ is 108°. There is also the weaker hydrogen bond $N(2)H \cdots O'(1)$ of 3.07 Å.

The zigzag infinite layers perpendicular to the b axis,

as shown in Figure 4, may be regarded as the basic structural units of the crystal of bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)nickel(II) dihydrate. The layers are held together by the hydrogen bonds of the waters of hydration and the van der Waals forces between the molecules. The needle axis is in the b direction and the crystal growth planes are the (100), (010), and (001) planes. Cleavage occurring in the crystal is always along the (100) plane corresponding to the breaking of the $N(2)H \cdots O'(1)$ and $O(1) \cdots HO(2)$ hydrogen bonds.

The nature of the twinning may be understood qualitatively as follows. The crystal seems to grow by stacking the hydrogen-bonded layers along the b axis. On approaching a layer, the first molecule to be deposited on the new layer has two alternatives, namely, either to continue the pattern of the original constituent of the twin or to start a reversed structure. The first choice should be preferred but the second is not excluded. This is because, as seen from Figure 3, the waters of hydration of the reversed structure should be shifted and the tilt of the molecules with respect to the a axis of the reversed structure should be reversed. However, the shift and the change in tilt are small. In all, we have examined six crystals and they all gave about the reflection pattern of the same symmetry. No diffused streaks were observed.

Within the accuracy of our experimental data, all of

TABLE IV
 COMPARISON OF SEVERAL BOND DISTANCES (Å)

Compounds	C(5)- C(6)	C(6)- N(2)	Ni- N(1)	Ni- N(2)
Bis(pyridine-2-carboxamido)- nickel(II) dihydrate				
This research	1.51	1.32	1.92	1.87
Ref 7	1.47	1.27	1.93	1.95
Diaquobis(pyridine-2-carbox- amide)nickel(II) chloride ^a	1.50	1.31	2.02	
Picolinamide ^b	1.51	1.33		
Amino acids, simple peptides, and related compounds ^c	1.53	1.32		

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Structural and Spectroscopic Studies of Tetrachlorophosphonium Tetrachloroferrate(III), $[\text{PCl}_4][\text{FeCl}_4]$ ^{1a}

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The crystal and molecular structure of tetrachlorophosphonium tetrachloroferrate(III), $[\text{PCl}_4][\text{FeCl}_4]$, has been determined by three-dimensional X-ray data collected by counter methods. Full-matrix least-squares refinement on 1590 reflections gave a final R factor of 2.7% based on F . The crystal system is orthorhombic with the possible space groups D_{2h}^{11} -Pbcm or C_{2v}^5 -Pbc2₁. The cell constants are $a = 6.231$, $b = 13.479$, $c = 14.078$ Å, with $Z = 4$. The calculated density of 2.08 g/cm³ agrees well with the observed density of 2.09 ± 0.02 g/cm³. The structure consists of isolated, nearly tetrahedral PCl_4^+ and FeCl_4^- units. The effects on the bond distances due to thermal motion are considered. Results of infrared and optical spectral studies are also reported.

I. Introduction

The syntheses of many phosphorus pentahalide-metal trichloride complexes have been reported.² In most cases, the resulting complex has been postulated to be composed of the tetrachlorophosphonium cation and the tetrachlorometalate anion. The existence of the tetrachlorophosphonium cation has been crystallographically confirmed only in phosphorus pentachloride³ itself. There are also few structural^{4,5} and

spectroscopic⁶⁻¹⁰ data available on four-coordinate iron(III). In view of the above considerations and as part of an extended study of metal halide systems, the X-ray structure and spectral properties of $[\text{PCl}_4][\text{FeCl}_4]$ have been determined and are reported here.

II. Experimental Section

Crystals of $[\text{PCl}_4][\text{FeCl}_4]$ were prepared by the method of Groeneveld.² A typical preparation involved the mixing of a solution of anhydrous FeCl_3 in thionyl chloride (with a small

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