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The Crystal and Molecular Structure of π -Cyclohexadienylmanganese TricarbonylBY MELVYN R. CHURCHILL¹ AND FREDERICK R. SCHOLER

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π -Cyclohexadienylmanganese tricarbonyl, $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$, crystallizes in the centrosymmetric orthorhombic space group Pnma (D_{2h}^{16} ; no. 62) with $a = 13.199 \pm 0.010$ Å, $b = 8.810 \pm 0.007$ Å, $c = 7.528 \pm 0.006$ Å, and $Z = 4$. Observed and calculated densities are 1.61 ± 0.04 and 1.654 g cm⁻³, respectively. A single-crystal X-ray diffraction study of the complex has been completed using intensity data collected with a scintillation counter. All atoms (including hydrogens) have been located, the final discrepancy index being $R_F = 8.41\%$ for the 558 independent nonzero reflections. The molecules of $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$ are separated by normal van der Waals distances. The molecule has crystallographically required C_s symmetry and contains a π -cyclohexadienyl ligand in which the methylene group is bent away from the manganese atom by $42^\circ 49'$ relative to the planar π -dienyl system.

Introduction

It has been shown that the reaction of hydride ion with certain cationic π -cyclopentadienyl² and π -benzene³ complexes of the transition metals leads to the formation of π -cyclopentadiene and π -cyclohexadienyl species, in which a noncyclic four- or five-membered delocalized system is bonded to the metal. One of the peculiarities of these systems is that complexes of unsubstituted π -cyclopentadiene or π -cyclohexadienyl ligands have an infrared absorption spectrum such that one of the methylene hydrogens is associated with a strong, broad C-H stretch at the anomalously low frequency of ca. 2730–2830 cm⁻¹. The molecules π -C₅H₅-Co(C₅H₅C₆H₅),⁴ π -C₅H₅Co(C₅H₅CO C₆H₅),⁵ and π -C₅H₅-Re(CH₃)₂(C₅H₅CH₃)⁶—none of which shows this anomalous C-H stretching frequency—have each been shown crystallographically to have a substituent occupying the *exo* site on the saturated carbon atom. In keeping with this, the complex [(CH₃)₆C₆H]Re(CO)₃ (formed by the reaction of the hexamethylbenzene-rhenium tricarbonyl cation with a hydride ion source⁷) has an intense C-H stretch at 2790 cm⁻¹ and the lone nonmethyl hydrogen in this molecule has been shown crystallographically⁸ to occupy the *exo* position. The structure is, however, of limited accuracy.

The present crystallographic investigation of π -cyclohexadienylmanganese tricarbonyl has been undertaken with a view of obtaining accurate data on the geometry of the π -cyclohexadienyl ligand and, if possible, to locate the hydrogen atoms of this ligand.

Unit Cell and Space Group

Crystals of $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$ were generously supplied by Professor R. B. King. Optical examination and

preliminary X-ray diffraction photographs indicated that the crystals were orthorhombic.

Unit cell parameters, obtained from high-angle precession data taken with Mo K α radiation on a precalibrated precession camera at $22 \pm 2^\circ$ are $a = 13.199 \pm 0.010$ Å, $b = 8.810 \pm 0.007$ Å, and $c = 7.528 \pm 0.006$ Å. The unit cell volume is 875.4 Å³. The observed density (1.61 ± 0.04 g cm⁻³, by flotation in aqueous zinc iodide solution) is in satisfactory agreement with the value calculated for $Z = 4$ ($\rho_{\text{calcd}} = 1.654$ g cm⁻³ for $M = 218.09$).

A survey of $h0l$, $h1l$ Weissenberg photographs and $hk0$, $hk1$, $0kl$, $1kl$ precession photographs revealed the systematic absences $0kl$ for $k + l = 2n + 1$ and $hk0$ for $h = 2n + 1$ —compatible with space group Pn2₁a (no. 33) or Pnma (no. 62). The noncentrosymmetric space group Pn2₁a would impose no symmetry conditions on the molecule, but the centrosymmetric space group Pnma requires (in the absence of disorder) that the molecule should possess C_s symmetry.

No piezoelectric test was performed, but the successful solution to the crystal structure (*vide infra*) showed the true space group to be the centrosymmetric Pnma (D_{2h}^{16} ; no. 62), with the molecule possessing precise C_s symmetry.

Collection and Reduction of X-Ray Diffraction Data

Two crystals were used in the course of the analysis. Crystal A, a rectangular parallelepiped ($0.40 \times 0.08 \times 0.10$ mm), was mounted along its extended a direction; crystal B ($0.41 \times 0.26 \times 0.40$ mm) was mounted along its c direction. [Dimensions refer sequentially to \bar{a} , \bar{b} , \bar{c} .]

Intensity data were collected with a 0.01° -incrementing Buerger automated diffractometer using equi-inclination Weissenberg geometry and a "stationary-background, ω -scan, stationary-background" counting sequence. The apparatus, experimental technique, and general precautions have been described at length in a previous publication.⁹ Details specific to the present analysis include the following: (i) Mo K α radiation (λ 0.7107 Å) was used throughout. (ii) The angle

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scanned (ω) was chosen as $\omega = [3.0 + (1.0/L)]^\circ$, where $1/L$ is the Lorentz factor. The count associated with this scan is $C(hkl)$. (iii) The speed of the ω scan was $2^\circ/\text{min}$. (iv) Initial and final backgrounds (B_1 and B_2) were each measured for one-fourth the time of the main scan. (v) Within a given zone, the stability of the entire configuration was monitored by remeasuring a carefully preselected check reflection after each batch of 20 reflections had been collected. No significant, *i.e.*, $\geq 3[C(hkl)]^{1/2}$ variations from the mean were detected. (vi) $I(hkl)$, the net intensity of the Bragg reflection hkl , was calculated as $I(hkl) = C(hkl) - 2[B_1(hkl) + B_2(hkl)]$.

A total of 876 reflections in the quadrants Hkl and $H\bar{k}l$ [$H = 0-6$] were collected from crystal A, and 386 reflections in the quadrants hKl [$K = 0-4$] were collected from crystal B. Within each zone, data are complete to $\sin \theta = 0.42$ except for the reflections with $\theta \leq 4^\circ$, which are shielded from the counter by the backstop.

Data were assigned standard deviations according to the following scheme (where $\delta(hkl) = 3[C(hkl) + B_1(hkl) + B_2(hkl)]^{1/2}$): $I(hkl) \geq 1225$, $\sigma\{I(hkl)\} = 0.1[I(hkl)]$; $1225 > I(hkl) \geq \delta(hkl)$, $\sigma\{I(hkl)\} = 3.5[I(hkl)]^{1/2}$; $I(hkl) < \delta(hkl)$, reflection rejected. Of the 876 reflections collected from crystal A, 136 were rejected, and of the 386 reflections from crystal B, 31 were rejected. All data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects,¹⁰ and absorption corrections were applied¹¹ ($\mu = 15.8 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for Mo $K\alpha$ radiation).¹² The resulting transmission coefficients ranged from 0.842 to 0.942 for data from crystal A (volume 0.0022 mm^3) and from 0.581 to 0.872 for data from crystal B (volume 0.047 mm^3). Data for the quadrants Hkl and $H\bar{k}l$ were averaged. These data are nonequivalent only if the true space group is the polar $\text{Pn}2_1a$. The 12 zones of data ($0-6kl$ and $hk0-4$) were merged to a common scale using a least-squares procedure which minimizes a set of residuals linear in the logarithm of the individual scale factors.¹³ [The over-all R factor for scaling was $\sim 4.5\%$ based on F^2 .] The resulting 558 independent nonzero reflections were used in calculating a Wilson plot,¹⁴ from which were obtained the approximate absolute scale and the over-all isotropic thermal parameter.

Elucidation and Refinement of the Structure

Two manganese coordinates ($x = 0.046$ and $z = 0.184$) were obtained by inspection of a three-dimensional Patterson synthesis¹⁵ which had been sharpened so as to be θ independent. The remaining manganese coordinate was chosen as $y = 0.25$. It is arbitrary if

(10) $(Lp)^{-1} = 2 \cos^2 \bar{\mu} \sin \Upsilon / (1 + \cos^2 2\theta)$ where $\bar{\mu}$ is the equiinclination angle, Υ is the vertical Weissenberg coordinate, and θ is the Bragg angle.

(11) Using a local modification of GNABS—a FORTRAN general absorption correction program by C. W. Burnham.

(12) "International Tables for X-Ray Crystallography," Vol. 3, The Kynoch Press, Birmingham, England, 1962, pp 162-163.

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the space group is $\text{Pn}2_1a$ and must be $1/4$ for space group Pnma . A three-dimensional difference-Fourier synthesis, phased only by the manganese atom ($R_F = 0.391$),¹⁶ showed half of the molecule to be the mirror image (reflected about $y = 1/4$) of the other half, thus confirming the true space group to be Pnma . All non-hydrogen atom positions were obtained from this map. Three cycles of full-matrix least-squares refinement of individual positional and isotropic thermal parameters for all nonhydrogen atoms led to convergence at $R_F = 0.135$ and $R_{wF^2} = 0.123$.¹⁶ Refinement was continued using anisotropic thermal parameters for all atoms save the carbon atoms of the cyclohexadienyl ligand. [Experience has shown it to be difficult to locate hydrogens attached to carbon atoms which have been allowed to refine anisotropically.] Three cycles of refinement led to convergence at $R_F = 0.106$ and $R_{wF^2} = 0.0565$. A difference-Fourier synthesis at this stage led to the location of each of the five crystallographically independent hydrogen atoms in the system, peak heights (in $e^{-}/\text{\AA}^3$) being 0.44 for H(1), 0.62 for H(2), 0.67 for H(3), 0.55 for H(4a), and 0.37 for H(4b). [Peak heights for carbon atoms on an "observed" Fourier synthesis at this stage were $\sim 5 e^{-}/\text{\AA}^3$.]

Finally, three cycles of refinement of individual positional and anisotropic thermal parameters for all non-hydrogen atoms resulted in convergence ($\Delta/\sigma < 0.05$) at $R_F = 0.0841$ and $R_{wF^2} = 0.0359$. A final difference-Fourier synthesis showed no significant features, thus validating the results of the least-squares refinement.

Throughout the analysis, the residual $\Sigma w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2$ was minimized, where $w = [(Lp)^{-1}(T^*)^{-1} \cdot \sigma\{I(hkl)\}]^{-2}$, T^* being the transmission factor for the appropriate reflection. Scattering factors for neutral manganese, oxygen, carbon and hydrogen were taken from the compilation of Ibers.¹⁷ The contribution from the manganese atom was corrected to allow for dispersion ($\Delta f' = +0.4 e^{-}$, $\Delta f'' = +0.9 e^{-}$).¹⁸ Hydrogen atom positions were taken from the difference-Fourier map on which they were initially located and were not refined, each hydrogen being assigned an isotropic thermal parameter of $B = 2.0 \text{\AA}^2$.

Observed and calculated structure factors are shown in Table I. Final atomic positions are given in Table II. Anisotropic thermal parameters are collected in Table III; the associated atomic vibration ellipsoids are defined in Table IV.

The Molecular Structure

Intramolecular distances, the over-all molecular stereochemistry, and the system for numbering atoms are shown in Figure 1. Interatomic angles are collected in Table V. The molecule possesses exact (*i.e.*, crystallographically required) C_s symmetry, the mirror plane at $y = 1/4$ containing the manganese atom, one carbonyl ligand [C(5)-O(1)], and two carbon and three

(16) $R_F = \Sigma |F_o| - |F_c| / \Sigma |F_o|$; $R_{wF^2} = \Sigma w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2 / \Sigma w|F_o|^4$.

(17) "International Tables for X-ray Crystallography," Volume 3, The Kynoch Press, Birmingham, England, 1962, pp 202-203, 211-212.

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TABLE I
OBSERVED AND CALCULATED STRUCTURE FACTORS (IN ELECTRONS × 10.00) FOR C₆H₇Mn(CO)₃

Table with multiple columns of structure factors (K, L, FO, FC) for various hkl reflections. The table is organized into sections for different hkl values (e.g., h=0, h=1, h=2, etc.).

TABLE II

FINAL ATOMIC COORDINATES (WITH ESD'S) FOR C₆H₇Mn(CO)₃^{a,b}

Atom	x	y	z
Mn	0.54312 (12)	0.25000 (-) ^c	0.31260 (20)
O(1)	0.4399 (7)	0.2500 (-) ^c	0.6592 (13)
O(2)	0.4117 (7)	0.4821 (7)	0.1492 (8)
C(1)	0.6787 (9)	0.2500 (-) ^c	0.1562 (13)
C(2)	0.6731 (6)	0.3881 (9)	0.2517 (13)
C(3)	0.6663 (5)	0.3853 (8)	0.4357 (12)
C(4)	0.7103 (12)	0.2500 (-) ^c	0.5322 (16)
C(5)	0.4783 (9)	0.2500 (-) ^c	0.5201 (18)
C(6)	0.4638 (6)	0.3936 (11)	0.2153 (11)
H(1)	0.6777	0.2500 ^c	0.0155
H(2)	0.6724	0.4938	0.1875
H(3)	0.6650	0.4925	0.4825
H(4a)	0.7650	0.2500 ^c	0.5325
H(4b)	0.6875	0.2500 ^c	0.6600

^a ESD's appear in parentheses after each parameter. They are right-adjusted to the least significant digit of the preceding number. ^b Only atoms of the asymmetric unit are listed. Atoms in the other half of the molecule are related to these by the transformation: $x' = x, y' = 1/2 - y, z' = z$. ^c Coordinate crystallographically required to be precisely $y = 1/4$.

observed³ diamagnetism of the complex, the formally d⁶ Mn(I) ion is in a pseudooctahedral environment and achieves the appropriate rare gas configuration (*i.e.*, that of Kr) by the donation of six electrons from the π-dienyl anion¹⁹ and two electrons from each of the three carbonyl ligands. Contacts between molecules are of the normal van der Waals type. (Packing of molecules is illustrated in Figure 2.)

The Cyclohexadienyl Ligand.—The bonding of an Mn(CO)₃ group to the cyclohexadienyl ligand results in the latter taking up a distinctly nonplanar configuration. The atoms C(3)–C(2)–C(1)–C(2')–C(3'), which are bonded directly to the Mn(CO)₃ moiety, are coplanar (having a root-mean-square deviation of only 0.008 Å) as are their attached hydrogen atoms; see Table VI. The methylene carbon C(4) lies 0.635 Å above this plane and the π-cyclohexadienyl ligand bends across the C(3)···C(3') axis such that the plane defined by C(3)–C(4)–C(3') makes a dihedral angle of 42° 49' with the planar five-membered dienyl system.

TABLE III

ANISOTROPIC THERMAL PARAMETERS FOR C₆H₇Mn(CO)₃, WITH ESD'S^{a,b}

Atom	10 ⁴ β ₁₁	10 ⁴ β ₂₂	10 ⁴ β ₃₃	10 ⁴ β ₁₂	10 ⁴ β ₁₃	10 ⁴ β ₂₃
Mn	48.0 (1.7)	92.8 (2.5)	111.9 (3.9)	0 ^c	-1.7 (2.9)	0 ^c
O(1)	84 (8)	140 (14)	197 (22)	0 ^c	73 (20)	0 ^c
O(2)	62 (5)	165 (10)	257 (16)	50 (12)	57 (13)	113 (21)
C(1)	52 (9)	172 (19)	79 (22)	0 ^c	-14 (21)	0 ^c
C(2)	51 (6)	124 (12)	181 (18)	-36 (15)	36 (18)	100 (26)
C(3)	44 (5)	108 (10)	176 (17)	0 (12)	-10 (16)	-17 (23)
C(4)	124 (13)	92 (15)	159 (26)	0 ^c	-93 (33)	0 ^c
C(5)	46 (8)	82 (13)	207 (29)	0 ^c	-13 (26)	0 ^c
C(6)	41 (6)	130 (12)	150 (17)	-2 (14)	56 (16)	11 (25)

^a The anisotropic thermal parameter (*T*) is defined as $T = \exp[-(\beta_{11}h^2 + \beta_{22}k^2 + \beta_{33}l^2 + \beta_{12}hk + \beta_{13}hl + \beta_{23}hk)]$. ^b ESD's are shown in parentheses. ^c Required to be zero by space group symmetry.

hydrogen atoms of the π-cyclohexadienyl ligand [*i.e.*, C(1), C(4), H(1), H(4a), H(4b)].

As anticipated, the molecule consists of an Mn(CO)₃ group that is bonded directly to all five unsaturated carbon atoms of a cyclohexadienyl system *via* a noncyclic π-dienyl→metal linkage. In accordance with the

Carbon-carbon distances around the delocalized system average 1.401 ± 0.014 Å; none differs significantly from this mean value. In the noncyclic π-

(19) Consideration of π-cyclopentadienyl and π-dienyl systems as formal six-electron anionic donors is, of course, only one of the possible conventions. It is equally satisfactory to consider the complex as a d⁷ Mn(0) derivative with five electrons donated from a π-dienyl radical.

TABLE IV
 ATOMIC VIBRATION ELLIPSOIDS^a

Atom	$B_{maj}, \text{\AA}^2$	$B_{med}, \text{\AA}^2$	$B_{min}, \text{\AA}^2$
Mn	3.34	2.88	2.53
O(1)	6.75	4.35	3.54
O(2)	7.02	5.73	2.47
C(1)	5.34	3.68	1.74
C(2)	5.31	4.30	1.91
C(3)	4.08	3.29	3.01
C(4)	9.25	2.99	2.86
C(5)	4.73	3.17	2.53
C(6)	4.31	4.00	1.99

^a The major, median, and minor axes of the atomic vibration ellipsoids are defined in terms of the isotropic thermal parameter, B . The transformation to root-mean-square displacement, $(\bar{U}^2)^{1/2}$, is: $(\bar{U}^2)^{1/2} = (B/8\pi^2)^{1/2}$.

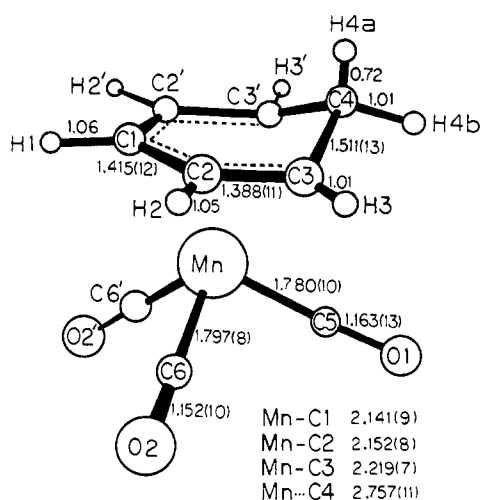


Figure 1.—Intramolecular distances, the molecular stereochemistry, and numbering of atoms in $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$. [Estimated standard deviations of bond lengths are shown in parentheses; these are right-adjusted to the last digit of the preceding number. Since hydrogen atom positions are taken from a difference-Fourier synthesis (see text), no precise esd's on carbon-hydrogen bond lengths are available; however, they are probably ca. 0.1 Å.]

 TABLE V
 INTERATOMIC ANGLES (WITH ESD'S) FOR $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$

Atoms	Angle, deg	Atoms	Angle, deg
(a) Angles around Manganese Atom			
C(1)-Mn-C(2)	38.5 (3)	C(5)-Mn-C(6)	94.5 (0.4)
C(2)-Mn-C(3)	37.0 (3)	C(6)-Mn-C(6')	89.4 (0.4)
C(3)-Mn-C(4)	33.2 (3)	O(1)···Mn···O(2)	95.6 (0.2)
		O(2)···Mn···O(2')	87.7 (0.2)
(b) Angles within Cyclohexadienyl Ring			
C(2)-C(1)-C(2')	118.6 (8)	C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	117.9 (8)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	119.7 (8)	C(3)-C(4)-C(3')	104.1 (8)
(c) Angles Involving Hydrogen Atoms ^a			
H(1)-C(1)-C(2)	120	H(3)-C(3)-C(4)	125
C(1)-C(2)-H(2)	122	C(3)-C(4)-H(4a)	112
H(2)-C(2)-C(3)	118	C(3)-C(4)-H(4b)	110
C(2)-C(3)-H(3)	109	H(4a)-C(4)-H(4b)	107
(d) Angles within Carbonyl Groups			
Mn-C(5)-O(1)	177.2 (9)	Mn-C(6)-O(2)	177.7 (8)

^a Hydrogen atom positions are from a difference-Fourier map. Therefore no esd's on these angles are available.

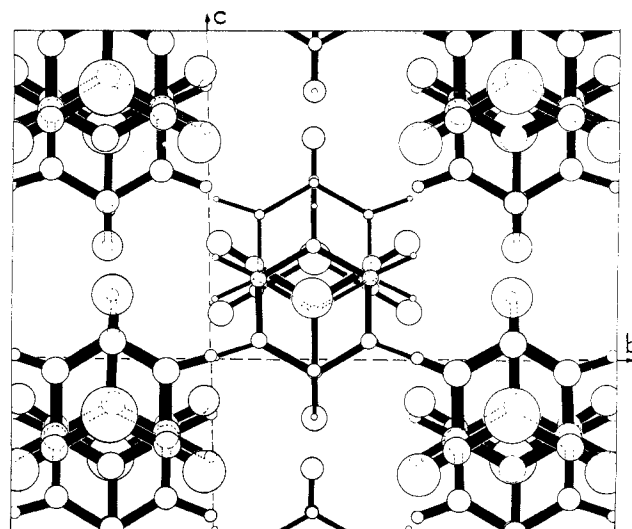

 Figure 2.—Packing diagram for the $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$ crystal, viewed down a .

 TABLE VI
 SOME IMPORTANT LEAST-SQUARES PLANES WITHIN THE
 $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$ MOLECULE^{a,b}

(a) $0.9973X + 0.0000Y + 0.0730Z = 9.0075$			
Atom	Dev, Å	Atom	Dev, Å
C(1)*	+0.012	C(4)	+0.635
C(2)*	-0.009	H(1)	-0.08
C(3)*	+0.003	H(2)	-0.05
C(3')*	+0.003	H(3)	+0.01
C(2')*	-0.009	H(4a)	+1.36
Mn	-1.686	H(4b)	+0.41
O(1)	-2.854	C(5)	-2.425
O(2)	-3.506	C(6)	-2.783
O(2')	-3.506	C(6')	-2.783

(b) C(3)-C(4)-C(3') Plane:
 $-0.7812X + 0.0000Y + 0.6242Z = -4.8229$

(c) C(5)-C(6)-C(6') Plane:
 $-0.9965X + 0.000Y + 0.0831Z = -5.9659$

^a The equation of each plane is expressed in Cartesian coordinates—*i.e.*, $X = xa$, $Y = yb$, $Z = zc$. ^b Planes are calculated using unit weights for each atom marked with an asterisk.

dienyl systems which have been studied previously, carbon-carbon bond lengths average 1.403 Å (for guai-azulenedimolybdenum hexacarbonyl²⁰) and 1.417 Å (for azulenedimanganese hexacarbonyl²¹). In each case the mean carbon-carbon bond length is less than the established value of ~ 1.43 Å for the C-C distance in π -cyclopentadienyl systems, indicating that carbon-carbon bonds in a complexed π -dienyl system are stronger than those in the corresponding π -cyclopentadienyl case. [In keeping with this, it is found that the metal $\rightarrow\pi$ -dienyl linkage is weaker than the metal $\rightarrow\pi$ -cyclopentadienyl linkage; *vide infra*.]

The bonds linking the methylene group [H(4a)-C(4)-H(4b)] to the π -dienyl system—*i.e.*, C(3)-C(4) and C(3')-C(4)—are each 1.511 ± 0.013 Å in length and are

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thus in agreement with the recognized $C(sp^2)-C(sp^3)$ single-bond distance of $1.510 \pm 0.005 \text{ \AA}$.²²

Angles within the cyclohexadienyl ring are each slightly less than the ideal sp^2 or sp^3 value; the largest discrepancy is for the internal angle of the methylene group [*i.e.*, $\angle C(3)-C(4)-C(3')$], which, at $104.1 \pm 0.8^\circ$, is some 6.7σ lower than the ideal tetrahedral angle of 109.5° . A similar but more pronounced decrease is observed for cyclopentadiene complexes; thus, the internal C-C-C angle at the methylene atom in $\pi-C_5H_5-CoC_5H_5C_6H_5$ is $93.9 \pm 1.5^\circ$.⁴ In each case it is probable that the decrease occurs in order to maximize the overlap of the metal orbitals with the terminal atoms of the delocalized system (*i.e.*, C(3) and C(3') in the present case).

Manganese-carbon distances vary systematically and symmetrically around the π -dienyl system in $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$. The central atom of the dienyl system [C(1)] is only $2.141 \pm 0.009 \text{ \AA}$ from the manganese ion, the intermediate carbon atoms [C(2) and C(2')] are each $2.152 \pm 0.008 \text{ \AA}$ from the manganese, and the terminal atoms [C(3) and C(3')] are each $2.219 \pm 0.007 \text{ \AA}$ from the metal. [The methylene carbon—C(4)—is more than 0.5 \AA further distant from the manganese, the $Mn \cdots C(4)$ contact being $2.757 \pm 0.011 \text{ \AA}$.] It should be noted that a similar lack of equivalence of metal-carbon distances has been observed in previously examined noncyclic π -dienyl systems. Thus, in the π -dienyl system of guaiazulenedimolybdenum hexacarbonyl,²⁰ Mo-C distances range from $2.268 \pm 0.017 \text{ \AA}$ (central atom) to 2.460 \AA (average) for the terminal carbon atoms. In azulenedimanganese hexacarbonyl²¹ the corresponding Mn-C distances are $2.123 \pm 0.010 \text{ \AA}$ for the central carbon atom and 2.279 \AA (average) for the terminal carbons.

As might be expected, the mean Mn-C distance of 2.177 \AA in the present complex, like the mean Mn-C distance of 2.191 \AA for atoms of the π -dienyl system of $C_{10}H_8Mn_2(CO)_6$,²¹ is greater than the corresponding metal-carbon distances in cyclically delocalized π -cyclopentadienyl species—*viz.*, $Mn-C(\pi-C_5H_5) = 2.151 \text{ \AA}$ (average) for $\pi-C_5H_5Mn(CO)_3$ ²³ and 2.169 \AA (average) for the π -cyclopentadienyl system in $C_{10}H_8Mn_2(CO)_6$.²¹ This may be interpreted in terms of metal $\rightarrow \pi$ -cyclopentadienyl bonding being stronger than metal $\rightarrow \pi$ -dienyl bonding and is consistent with differences in carbon-carbon bond lengths within the two systems (*vide supra*).

The hydrogen atoms of the π -cyclohexadienyl ligand have each been located, albeit only by difference-Fourier methods. Individual carbon-hydrogen distances range from 0.72 to 1.06 \AA , the mean of the seven bond lengths being 0.99 \AA . Although this distance is shorter than the spectroscopically determined value of $1.084 \pm 0.005 \text{ \AA}$ for an aromatic carbon-hydrogen bond,²⁴ it is now well established that light atom-hydrogen dis-

tances obtained by X-ray diffraction techniques are systematically shorter than those determined from spectroscopic or neutron diffraction studies.²⁵⁻²⁸

The $Mn(CO)_3$ Group.—The relative orientation of the π -cyclohexadienyl ligand and the $Mn(CO)_3$ group is illustrated in Figure 3. One carbonyl ligand [C(5)-O(1)] lies in the crystallographic mirror plane at $y = 1/4$ and is directly below C(4) such that $C(4) \cdots C(5) = 3.062 \pm 0.015 \text{ \AA}$. The remaining carbonyl groups, C(6)-O(2) and C(6')-O(2') pass almost immediately below C(2) and C(2') such that $C(2) \cdots C(6) = 2.775 \pm 0.011 \text{ \AA}$, while $C(1) \cdots C(6) = 3.136 \pm 0.012 \text{ \AA}$ and $C(3) \cdots C(6) = 3.146 \pm 0.011 \text{ \AA}$.

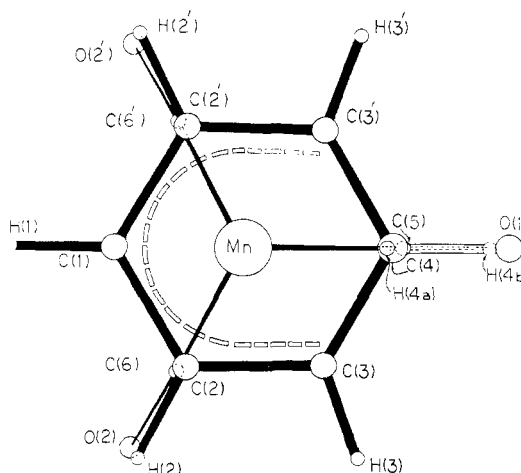


Figure 3.—The $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$ molecule projected on 100.

The average manganese-carbon and carbon-oxygen distances in the present structure are 1.789 ± 0.009 and $1.158 \pm 0.012 \text{ \AA}$, respectively. These may be compared to the mean values in other complexes containing $Mn(CO)_3$ groups—*viz.*, $Mn-C = 1.797 \text{ \AA}$, $C-O = 1.134 \text{ \AA}$ in $\pi-C_5H_5Mn(CO)_3$; $Mn-C = 1.803 \text{ \AA}$, $C-O = 1.151 \text{ \AA}$ in $C_{10}H_8Mn_2(CO)_6$.²¹ The carbonyl ligands, with $Mn-C(5)-O(1) = 177.2 \pm 0.9^\circ$ and $Mn-C(6)-O(2) = Mn-C(6')-O(2') = 177.7 \pm 0.8^\circ$ are only slightly, but nonetheless significantly, distorted from the ideal linear configuration. Such distortions are expected as the result of unequal population of the two π^* -antibonding orbitals on the carbonyl ligands, which Kettle²⁹ has shown will occur for $M(CO)_3$ groups in environments having lower than C_3 symmetry. Further results of the π -cyclohexadienyl ligand having only C_s symmetry follow. (i) the OC-Mn-CO angles become nonequivalent and have only C_s symmetry. The two (symmetry-related) angles C(5)-Mn-C(6) and C(5)-Mn-C(6') have values of $94.5 \pm 0.4^\circ$, while the remaining angle, C(6)-Mn-C(6'), is only $89.4 \pm 0.4^\circ$. This difference of 5.1° represents almost 13σ and is definitely

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significant. (ii) The plane defined by the carbon atoms of the carbonyl ligands is not parallel to the π -dienyl plane but, rather makes an angle of $9^\circ 00'$ with this system, with the ligand C(5)-O(1) being displaced toward C(4). The angle between the noncyclic π -dienyl system and the associated carbonyl carbon atoms in $C_{10}H_8Mn_2(CO)_6$ is $11^\circ 42'$.²¹ In other noncyclic systems this angle may be even greater. In $(C_{10}H_8)_2Fe_4(CO)_{10}$ there is a dihedral angle of 17° between a *cis*-1,3-diene system and the plane of the carbonyl carbons,³⁰ and in $C_6F_8Fe(CO)_3$ this angle reaches 21° .³¹

Discussion

The present crystallographic analysis has succeeded in its primary objectives of determining accurately the conformation of the π -cyclohexadienyl ligand and locating (although only approximately) the hydrogen atoms in the $C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$ molecule. It is found that the stereochemistry of the π -cyclohexadienyl methylene group is fairly regular, although the internal C-C-C angle is some 5.5° lower than the ideal sp^3 value. The structural analysis does not, however, give any unambiguous information on the cause of the anomalous C-H stretch [which is firmly established as being associated with the *exo* hydrogen of the methylene group (see Introduction)]. Possible causes of this phenomenon bear some further consideration.

It is established that the cyclopentadiene molecule has a normal infrared absorption spectrum and that only when this ligand becomes complexed to a metal atom is an anomalous C-H stretch observed. We therefore infer that, in the π -cyclohexadienyl system also, the anomalous C-H stretch is related *in some way* to the ligand being bonded to a transition metal. Two distinct possibilities arise. (1) The anomalous C-H stretch results from some metal-to-ligand interaction which directly affects the methylene group in some way—*e.g.*, direct electronic interaction between the metal atom and the carbon of the methylene group. (2) The C-H_{*exo*} stretch is not due to the interaction of the metal atom with the methylene group but is caused simply by the stereochemical conformation which the

π -cyclohexadienyl ligand is forced to adopt in order to bond satisfactorily to a transition metal ion.

A consideration of the available data^{3,7,32-34} [see Table VII] shows no distinct relationships between the nature of the metal and the observed C-H_{*exo*} stretching frequency. It seems significant, however, that the only nonsubstituted π -cyclohexadienyl complex for which a C-H_{*exo*} stretch is *not* observed is the positively charged species $C_6H_7Fe(CO)_3^+$ in which the d orbitals would be contracted relative to neutral first-row transition metal complexes. This would tend to put some additional weight to explanation (1), but it should be remembered that negative infrared evidence is often inconclusive.

TABLE VII
INFRARED FREQUENCIES FOR THE ANOMALOUS C-H STRETCH
IN SOME π -CYCLOHEXADIENYL COMPLEXES

Complex	(C-H), cm^{-1}	Ref
$C_6H_7V(CO)_4$	2795 vs (C_6D_6)	32
	2822 vs (KBr)	32
1,3,5- $(CH_3)_3C_6H_4V(CO)_4^a$	2790 vs (KBr)	32
1,2,4,5- $(CH_3)_4C_6H_3V(CO)_4^a$	2770 vs (acetone- <i>d</i> ₆)	32
	2800 vs (KBr)	32
$C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3$	2830 s (CCl_4)	3b
$CH_3C_6H_6Mn(CO)_3^b$	2809 s (CCl_4)	3b
$C_6H_7Mn[C_6(CH_3)_6]$	2730 s (KBr)	33
$C_6H_7Fe(CO)_3^+BF_4^-$	No identifiable band	3d
$(C_6H_7)_2Ru$	2772 s (CCl_4)	3d
$C_6H_7ReC_6H_6$	2750 vs (CCl_4)	3d
$[C_6(CH_3)_6H]Re[C_6(CH_3)_6]^c$	2779 m (KBr)	34
$[C_6(CH_3)_6H]Re(CO)_3^c$	2790 (KBr)	7
$C_6H_7V(CO)-d_1^d$	2070 (KBr)	32
$C_6H_4(CH_3)_3V(CO)_4-d_1^d$	2080 (KBr)	32
$C_6H_7Mn(CO)_3-d_1^d$	2120 (CCl_4)	3b

^a Methyl group occupying the 1-*endo* position. ^b Mixture of isomers but methyl group not in the 1-*exo* position. ^c Hydrogen in the 1-*exo* position. ^d Deuterium occupies the 1-*exo* position.

In summary, it is apparent that further data are necessary before an unambiguous explanation of the C-H_{*exo*} stretch is forthcoming.

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