on the 27 365-cm<sup>-1</sup> <sup>4</sup>E(D) origin. The weak shoulders are apparently components of the same energy progression based on a false origin or a second spin-orbit component some 45 cm<sup>-1</sup> above the 27 365-cm<sup>-1</sup> origin. The oscillator strength of this manifold is constant between 150 and 4.2 K, Figure 2.

With  $E \parallel c$  the absorption is very weak and appears as three very weak, strongly overlapped maxima at  $\sim 27\,370$ ,  $\sim 27\,500$ , and ~27650 cm<sup>-1</sup>. These appear to be the  $E \parallel c$  components of the intense members of the 145-cm<sup>-1</sup> progression observed with  $E \perp c$ .

 ${}^{6}A_{1}(S) \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1}(P)$ . This absorption is most intense with E  $\perp$  c and appears as a weak maximum at 29 640 cm<sup>-1</sup> followed by a more intense manifold exhibiting a shoulder at  $\sim 29\,890$ cm<sup>-1</sup> and band maximum at 30030 cm<sup>-1</sup>. With  $E \parallel c$  the absorption is somewhat less intense and appears as a sharp, weak peak at 29498 cm<sup>-1</sup>, a weak broad peak at 29638 cm<sup>-1</sup> and a more intense manifold with a should der at  $\sim 29\,890$  cm<sup>-1</sup> and maximum at 30030 cm<sup>-1</sup>. This state is quite sensitive to the effect of spin-orbit coupling<sup>13</sup> and to a trigonal field. These effects most likely account for the observed structure but the lack of resolution and absence of clear-cut polarization behavior makes quantitative analysis on this basis impossible.

 ${}^{6}A_{1}(S) \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{2}(F)$ . This absorption appears as a weak shoulder on the charge-transfer absorption with  $E \perp c$  and as a pronounced shoulder with  $E \parallel c$ . In both cases the band is observed at  $\sim 34\,600$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. The strong overlap with the charge-transfer absorption prevents useful analysis of this absorption.

## **Summary and Conclusion**

While the optical spectrum of RbMnBr<sub>3</sub> is superficially that of Mn<sup>2+</sup> in a trigonally distorted octahedral environment, it displays oscillator strengths which are 2-3 orders of magnitude greater than the analogous transitions in isolated manganese(II) complexes. Comparing the spectrum of RbMnBr<sub>3</sub> to the spectrum of the structurally analogous CsMnBr<sub>3</sub><sup>6</sup> we note a commonality of polarization behavior. In all cases except where a  ${}^{6}A_{1} \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{1}$  transition occurs the more allowed process occurs perpendicular to the chain axis. In the case of the  ${}^{6}A_{1} \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{1}$  transitions the sense of polarization is the opposite. Day and Dubicki<sup>7</sup> have derived the selection rules for electronic transitions involving antiferromagnetically coupled  $Mn^{2+}$  pairs in TMMC. Since the site symmetry of the  $Mn^{2+}$  ions in RbMnBr<sub>3</sub> is the same as that for the  $Mn^{2+}$ ions in TMMC, the same selection rules apply. These are (for  $D_{3d}$  symmetry)

$${}^{6}A_{1g} \xrightarrow{E \parallel c} {}^{4}A_{1g}$$
$${}^{6}A_{1g} \xrightarrow{E \perp C} {}^{4}E_{g}$$
$${}^{6}A_{1g} \not \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{2g}$$

Since states of  $T_{1g}$  symmetry in the  $O_h$  group become states of  $A_{2g} + E_g$  symmetry in the  $D_{3d}$  group and since

$$T_{2g} \xrightarrow{D_{3d}} A_{1g} + E_g$$

we should expect one band, allowed  $E \perp c$ , for the two  ${}^{6}A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1g}$  transitions, Figure 1, and two manifolds for each of the two  ${}^{4}T_{2g}$  parent states. The behavior of the lowest  ${}^{6}A_{1g}$  $\rightarrow$  <sup>4</sup>T<sub>1g</sub> transitions as well as the behavior of the lowest <sup>6</sup>A<sub>1g</sub>  $\rightarrow$  <sup>4</sup>E<sub>g</sub> transition would support the use of the simple pair model selection rules. It is clear however, from the behavior of the  ${}^{6}A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{1g}$ ,  ${}^{4}E_{g}$ , the  ${}^{6}A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{2g}(D)$ , the  ${}^{6}A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1g}(P)$ , and the  ${}^{6}A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{2g}$  transitions that a significant modification of this approach is necessary to accurately describe the spectra of RbMnBr<sub>3</sub> and CsMnBr<sub>3</sub>.

While there are distinct similarities in the band positions and polarization behavior of RbMnBr3 and CsMnBr3, the temperature dependences of the oscillator strengths of corresponding transitions are considerably different. For transitions in the spectrum of RbMnBr<sub>3</sub> the temperature dependence that is observed is primarily that predicted by theory<sup>11,12</sup> for an exchange-induced electric dipole process while for CsMnBr<sub>3</sub> a variety of temperature dependences is observed some of which possess a distinct vibronic component.

On the basis of the oscillator strengths of corresponding transitions in RbMnBr3 and CsMnBr3, it does not appear, with the limits of our experimental measurements, that the shorter interchain distance and attendant higher  $T_N$  in RbMnBr<sub>3</sub> in any way affect the transition probability. Indeed in all cases the transitions in the CsMnBr<sub>3</sub> system appear to be approximately equal in intensity or stronger. Whether this is, in fact, a general phenomenon or not awaits the investigation of other systems.

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# Some Metal Halide-Phosphorus Halide-Alkyl Halide Complexes. 4. Bis(tert-butyltrichlorophosphonio)tri-µ-chloro-hexachlorotriangulo-trirhenium(III) Hexachlororhenate(IV)

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The reaction of a metal halide with a tert-butyl halide and a phosphorus(III) halide has been used<sup>2-4</sup> to synthesize the anions BCl4<sup>-</sup>, AlCl4<sup>-</sup>, SnCl5<sup>-</sup>, NbCl6<sup>-</sup>, TaCl6<sup>-</sup>, WCl6<sup>-</sup>, Ti2Cl9<sup>-</sup>,  $Ti_2Br_9^-$ , and  $Zr_2Cl_9^-$ . The analogous reaction for rhenium(V) chloride is now presented in which a single compound containing the tri-µ-chloro-hexachloro-triangulo-trirhenium(III) unit, the hexachlororhenate(IV) anion, and the tert-butyltrichlorophosphonium cation is formed. Previously bromides<sup>5</sup> containing both  $Re_3Br_9$  and  $ReBr_6^{2-}$  have been reported.

## **Experimental Section**

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Rhenium(V) chloride (99.5%) was used as supplied and other reagents were as previously described.<sup>2</sup>

Table I. Infrared Spectra (cm	<sup>-1</sup> )
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295 K	90 K	Assignments	Lit. <sup>2-4,6,8,13</sup>			
t-BuPCL.•						
780 w	۰. ۱	$A_1 \nu$ (P-C)	778-783			
483 w		$\nu$ (P-Cl)	481-486			
232 w, sh	230 w	$\sigma$ (P–Cl)	229-235			
643 s 632 s		E $\nu$ (P-Cl)	632–648			
208 vw, br	214 w 208 w	$\sigma(t\text{-BuP-Cl})$	208-214			
	Ĩ	ReCl <sub>6</sub> <sup>2-</sup>				
651 m, sh		$\nu_{1} + \nu_{3}$				
587 w		$\nu_{2} + \nu_{3}$				
312 m, sh	310 mw	$T_{2g} \nu_3$	320-380			
285 vw	284 w	$\nu_{5} + \nu_{6}?$				
170 m	170 m	$T_{2g} \nu_4$	170-180			
		Re <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>9</sub>				
375 m	380 m	$A_2'' \nu$ (Re-Cl) terminal	378 sh (369 sh)			
355 vs	358 s, sh 353 s, sh	E' ν(Re-Cl) terminal	359 s			
345 vs	350 s 340 s, sh	$E' \nu$ (Re-Cl) ring	350 sh			
324 m, sh	324 m	E' ν(Re-Cl) ring	322 m			
255 ms	258 m, sh 252 ms	E' v(Re-Cl) ring	240-300 vw 220 m			
150 m 126 w 118 w 98 w	151 m 128 w 117 w 100 w	2A'' + 2E' def				
	U	nassigned				
668 w, sh 616 w, sh 418 w 60 w		-				

Vacuum-line and glovebox techniques were used throughout as the product was water sensitive. Phosphorus(III) chloride was added to rhenium(V) chloride in carbon disulfide and to this was added *tert*-butyl chloride (PCl<sub>3</sub> and *t*-BuCl were present in a slight excess of an equimolar ratio). A green-brown precipitate formed over 30 min. Anal. Calcd for  $C_8H_{18}Cl_{21}P_2Re_4$ : Re, 44.72; Cl, 44.70. Found: Re, 44.7; Cl, 44.65. The product, which could not be recrystallized, was stored in sealed glass tubes.

Infrared spectra of Nujol mulls between potassium bromide or polythene plates were obtained using the Grubb-Parson Spectromaster (1000-400 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and the RIIC FS-720 Interferometer (400-30 cm<sup>-1</sup>). Raman spectra could not be obtained using laser excitation. Uv and visible spectra of the solid were recorded by reflectance using a Unicam 700C spectrophotometer. Mass spectra were obtained by solid sample insertion using the AEI MS12 instrument.

### **Results and Discussion**

Infrared Spectra (Table I). The Cation. The t-BuPCl<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> cation spectrum has been well characterized<sup>2-4</sup> so that we subtracted the usually observed vibrations from the experimental spectra and assigned the rest mainly to rhenium-halide modes.

The Anion, ReCl<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup>. An  $O_h$  anion has the vibrational representation

$$\Gamma_{vib} = \nu_1 \ [A_{1g}(R)] + \nu_2 \ [E_g(R)] + \nu_3, \nu_4 \ [2 \ T_{2g}(ir)] + \nu_5 \ [T_{2g}(R)] + T_{2u} \ (inactive)$$

The two ir-active fundamentals appear<sup>6</sup> at 320 and 173  $cm^{-1}$  in the spectrum of the potassium salt, and the three Raman-active modes, at 346, 283, and 177  $cm^{-1}$ .

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	% parent			% parent	
n/e <sup>b</sup>	peak	Species	m/e	peak	Species
878	100	Re <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>9</sub> <sup>+</sup>	514	28.2	Re <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>1</sub> <sup>+</sup>
843	24.2	$\text{Re}_{3}\text{Cl}_{8}^{+}$	479	27.7	Re, Cl, <sup>+</sup>
808	5.2	$\text{Re}_{3}^{+}\text{Cl}_{7}^{+}$	444	11.5	Re <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>
771	7.0	Re <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>6</sub> <sup>+</sup>	409	6.5	$Re_{2}Cl^{+}$
736	10.4	Re <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>5</sub> <sup>+</sup>	372	4.2	Re <sup>5+</sup>
701	8.4	Re Cl <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	329	3.9	ReĈl.+
666	7.3	Re <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	292	28.3	ReCl.+
629	4.5	Re <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>	257	16.1	ReCl. <sup>+</sup>
594	1.9	Re <sub>3</sub> Cl <sup>+</sup>	222	6.1	ReCl <sup>‡</sup>
586	36.2	Re <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	187	6.7	Re <sup>+</sup>
549	55.2	Re <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>s</sub> <sup>+</sup>			

Table II

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45.3

	% abundance			% abun	dance
m/e	Calcd <sup>c</sup>	Obsd	m/e	Calcd <sup>c</sup>	Obsd
870	1.5	3.1	884	17.8	17.3
872	12.7	13.3	886	5.0	5.5
874	43.2	44.7	888	1.0	1.6
876	82.9	83.5	890	0.1	Õ
878	100	100	892	< 0.1	ŏ
880	80.8	80.4	894	<<0.1	õ

<sup>*a*</sup> Rhenium-chlorine peaks only; ion voltage 70 eV; source temperature 320 °C. <sup>*b*</sup> Highest intensity peak of each multiplet selected. <sup>*c*</sup> Calculated using isotopic abundances: <sup>35</sup>Cl, 75.53%; <sup>37</sup>Cl, 24.47%; <sup>185</sup>Re, 37.07%; <sup>187</sup>Re, 62.93%.

43.1

We have assigned bands at 310 and 170 cm<sup>-1</sup> to the ir-active fundamentals. The combination bands give  $\nu_1 = 341$  cm<sup>-1</sup> and  $\nu_2 = 277$  cm<sup>-1</sup> in good agreement with published results.<sup>6</sup>

In previous work,<sup>3</sup> the  $\nu_1$  mode for WCl<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> was observed as a very weak band so that there is only poor justification for assigning the strong band at 355 cm<sup>-1</sup> to  $\nu_1$ (ReCl<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup>) particularly as it splits into two components at low temperature.

The Trimeric Unit, Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>9</sub>. In rhenium(III) chloride,<sup>7</sup> a planar, chloro-bridged Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub> ring has two terminal Cl atoms bound to each Re above and below the plane of the ring. One of the out-of-plane Cl atoms is coordinated to a vacant in-plane position of an Re atom of an adjacent Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>9</sub> unit. In the bromides,<sup>5</sup> M<sub>2</sub>(Re<sub>3</sub>Br<sub>9</sub>)(ReBr<sub>6</sub>), there are no intramolecular Br bridges so that each Re atom of the Re<sub>3</sub>Br<sub>9</sub> cluster is four-coordinate to Br. Both trimeric units are strongly metal-metal bonded.

There was a clear similarity between our spectrum (Table I) and that<sup>8</sup> of Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>9</sub>. The ion Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>12</sub><sup>3-</sup>, which has no intraion bridges, also has<sup>9</sup> a related ir spectrum [344 (s), 324 (s), 282 (m), 274 (m), 243 (m), 225–218 (s), 204 (s) cm<sup>-1</sup>] and absorption in the region 360–345 cm<sup>-1</sup> seems to be characteristic of authentic trimeric chlororhenium(III) species.<sup>10</sup> We have tentatively assigned the absorptions in  $D_{3h}$  symmetry which was a reasonable description of the trimeric unit<sup>5</sup> in M<sub>2</sub>(Re<sub>3</sub>Br<sub>9</sub>)(ReBr<sub>6</sub>). The vibrational representation is

$$\Gamma_{vib} = 4 A'(R) + A_1'(inactive) + 2 A_2'(inactive) + 3A_2''(ir) + 6E'(ir, R) + 4E''(R)$$

The ir-active modes may be divided into  $A_2'' + E'$  terminal Re-Cl stretching, 3E' ring stretching, and 2  $A_2'' + 2 E'$  deformation modes. Some of the absorptions split at low temperature and were assigned to E modes.

Mass Spectrum (Table II). This provided evidence for the presence of  $Re_3Cl_9$ . A large number of groups of lines were observed. The most intense member of each multiplet was selected for Table II. The remaining lines of each group reflected the isotopic abundances of rhenium and chlorine. The

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Table III.	Electronic Spectrum (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) for
(t-BuPCl <sub>3</sub> )	$_{2}(\text{Re}_{3}\text{Cl}_{9})(\text{ReCl}_{6})$

295 K	90 K	Assignments <sup>7,8,13</sup>
(5 900) <sup>a</sup> (6 600)	(6 000) (6 600)	
6 700	6 700	$\operatorname{ReCl}_{6}^{2-}({}^{4}A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^{2}T_{1g})?$
	(6 800)	
(8 600)	(8 800)	$\operatorname{ReCl}_{6}^{2^{\sim}}({}^{4}A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^{2}E_{g})$
9 500	9 500	$\operatorname{ReCl}_{6}^{2-}(^{4}A_{2g} \rightarrow ^{2}T_{2g})$
(10 200)	10 300 10 600	Re <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>9</sub>
(11 500)	(11 500) (12 100) (12 500)	
	14 200	$\operatorname{ReCl}_{6}^{2-}({}^{4}A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^{2}T_{2g}); \operatorname{Re}_{3}Cl_{9}$
15 000	(14 800) (17 500)	$\operatorname{ReCl}_{6}^{2-}({}^{4}\mathrm{A}_{2g} \rightarrow {}^{2}\mathrm{T}_{2g})$
18 300	18 400 (21 500) (23 800)	Re <sub>3</sub> Cl,
25 000 28 000 32 000 33 400 38 000	25 500 27 800 32 000 33 300 37 500	Re₃Cl,

<sup>a</sup> Parentheses indicate shoulders.

group centred on m/e 878 were the strongest (Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>9</sub><sup>+</sup> 877.77) so that 878 was used as the parent peak. This group was analyzed in terms of the isotopic abundances and excellent agreement was found between the calculated and observed intensities for m/e 870–894.

The mass spectrum and assignments agree well with the reported spectra<sup>11,12</sup> for rhenium(III) chloride (Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>9</sub>) in which several low molecular weight (201-314) fragments containing oxygen have been observed. These were reproduced on handling  $(t-Bu)_2P_2Re_4Cl_{21}$  in the air, but if the sample probe was filled under nitrogen, the oxygen-free spectrum was observed. Bromine-containing fragments were also recognized.

Electronic Spectrum (Table III). There was reasonably good agreement between the reflectance spectrum and that expected for  $\text{ReCl}_6^{2-}$  +  $\text{Re}_3\text{Cl}_9^{.7,8,13}$  Most of the low-fre-quency, spin-forbidden bands for  $\text{ReCl}_6^{2-}$  were sharp but one  $(6700 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  was at lower frequency than is usually observed. The spectra<sup>7,8</sup> for Re<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>9</sub> show three or four regions of absorption below  $26\,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Only the one near  $14\,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ was doubtful as ReCl6<sup>2-</sup> also absorbs here. There was no evidence to suppose that  $\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_8^{2-}$ ,  $\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_9^{-}$ , or  $\text{Re}_2\text{Cl}_9^{2-}$  was present.<sup>14,15</sup> This confirmed the mass and ir spectral assignments.

Preparative Route. The use of phosphorus(III) chloride can result in reduction of the metal ion, e.g., in WCl6<sup>-</sup> prepared from<sup>3</sup> WCl<sub>6</sub> and in our unpublished observations of MoCl<sub>5</sub>. In the present work, Re<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>10</sub> was reduced at room temperature to give  $\text{ReCl}_6^{2-}$  and the Re<sub>3</sub> cluster directly. Thermal methods may be used<sup>16</sup> for the conversion of Re<sub>2</sub>X<sub>10</sub> (X = Cl, Br) to  $Re_3X_9$  which is then followed by reactions which yield other Re<sub>3</sub> cluster compounds.

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# Linear, Bent, and Triangular M-O<sub>2</sub> **Bonding in Some Dioxygen Complexes of Cobalt**

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Chemical bonding of dioxygen to five- and four-coordinated metal complexes, using  $[Co(CN)_5O_2]^{3-}$  (1)<sup>1</sup> and [Co- $(PR_3)_4O_2$  + (2)<sup>2</sup> as model systems, is explored in this note with the hope of discerning the driving force for bent vs. triangular  $Co-O_2$  configurations, respectively. These two geometries are of particular interest in that they are related to the two alternative structures, viz., bent and triangular, first proposed by Pauling<sup>3</sup> and Griffith,<sup>4</sup> respectively, for the Fe-O<sub>2</sub> bonding in oxyhemoglobin and oxymyoglobin.

The Fenske-Hall parameter-free MO model<sup>5</sup> was employed in this work. The basis functions were those utilized previously.<sup>5b,c</sup> For phosphorus, only 1s to 3p atomic orbitals are included in the calculations. The pertinent molecular parameters were taken from the known structures of [Co- $(CN)_5O_2$ <sup>3-1b</sup> and  $[Co(Ph_2PCH=CHPPh_2)_2O_2]^{+,2}$  In particular, the Co-O and O-O distances chosen are 1.93 and 1.26 Å, and 1.89 and 1.42 Å, for 1 and 2, respectively. The calculated one-electron molecular orbital energies as a function of the Co-O-O angle ( $\theta$ ) for 1 and 2 are shown in Figures 1 and 2, respectively.

These diagrams indicate that 1 favors a bent structure because of the steep energetic valley of  $\pi_x^*$  at  $\theta \approx 132^\circ$ whereas 2 prefers an isosceles triangular structure as a result of the large slope of xz at  $\theta \approx 69^{\circ}$ . The reason for this difference is the relative energetic ordering of the metal  $z^2$ orbital with respect to the dioxygen  $\pi^*$  orbitals.<sup>6,7</sup> In 1,  $z^2$  lies above  $\pi^*$  so that as  $\theta$  decreases,  $\pi_x^*$  declines rapidly in energy due to both the decrease in its antibonding interaction with xz (which lies lower in energy) and the increase in the bonding interaction with  $z^2$  (which lies higher in energy).<sup>8</sup> The latter interaction is symmetry forbidden in either linear or triangular configuration. Below  $\dot{\theta} \approx 132^{\circ}$ ,  $\pi_x^*$  rises steeply in energy due to the reacquired, enhanced antibonding interaction with xz. The  $\pi_y^*$  orbital exhibits only a slight minimum since  $\pi_y^*$  is perpendicular to the plane of bending. The net result is a Walsh minimum<sup>11a</sup> corresponding to a bent configuration at  $\theta \approx 132^{\circ}$  for M(d<sup>6</sup>)-O<sub>2</sub>(n-2)-( $\pi^{*n}$ ) where n = 3 for [Co-

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