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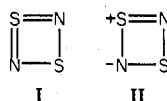
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### The X-ray Photoelectron Spectrum of $S_2N_2$ Gas

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$S_2N_2$  is a square molecule ( $D_{2h}$  symmetry)<sup>2</sup> formed from the interaction of  $S_4N_4$  vapor with silver wool at 150 °C. On warming, condensed  $S_2N_2$  undergoes polymerization (0 °C) to the conducting polymer  $(SN)_x$  (polythiazyl).<sup>2,3</sup> Largely as a consequence of the relationship of  $S_2N_2$  with  $(SN)_x$  the bonding and charge distribution in  $S_2N_2$  have been a matter of considerable speculation.<sup>4</sup> The bonding in  $S_2N_2$  can formally be represented by valence bond structures I and II.



These valence bond (VB) structures suggest an S-N bond order of between 1.25 and 1.50 and formal S→N charge transfer of between 0 and 0.5 e. Within the valence bond formalism, decreasing S→N charge transfer requires N-( $p\pi$ )→S( $d\pi$ ) back-bonding (VB structure II). The extent of participation of sulfur 3d orbitals in the bonding of sulfur compounds has been a controversial issue for several years now.<sup>5a,b</sup> Jolly and co-workers<sup>5c</sup> have utilized X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) to evaluate the contribution of sulfur 3d orbitals to the bonding of a variety of sulfur compounds and found that the XPS data could be very satisfactorily explained without the inclusion of S 3d orbitals. In an effort to estimate the charge distribution and extent of S 3d orbital participation in the bonding of  $S_2N_2$ , we have obtained core-level binding energies for gaseous  $S_2N_2$  using XPS. The results have been interpreted with the aid of CHELEQ

internal coordinates are defined in Figure 1.

Registry No.  $Os_3(CO)_{12}$ , 15696-40-9;  $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ , 15243-33-1;  $Ir_4(CO)_{12}$ , 18827-81-1;  $Mn_3H_3(CO)_{12}$ , 51160-01-1;  $Pb_4(OH)_4^{4+}$ , 31387-73-2;  $Bi_6(OH)_{12}^{6+}$ , 12441-70-2;  $Rh_4(CO)_{12}$ , 19584-30-6;  $Os_3(OCH_3)_2(CO)_{10}$ , 41766-82-9;  $Co_4(CO)_{12}$ , 17786-31-1.

Table I. Core Level Data for  $S_2N_2$  from X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy

	S 2p <sub>1/2</sub>	S 2p <sub>3/2</sub>	S 2s	N 1s
binding energy, eV <sup>a</sup>	173.64 (10) <sup>c</sup>	172.44 (10)	236.58 (5)	405.86 (5)
FWHM <sup>b</sup>	1.09	1.08	2.15	1.09

<sup>a</sup> Binding energies standardized to a value of 248.62 eV for the Ar 2p<sub>3/2</sub> level of argon gas. <sup>b</sup> Peak full widths at half maxima (FWHM), in eV. <sup>c</sup> Estimated standard deviations (3σ) are given in parentheses.

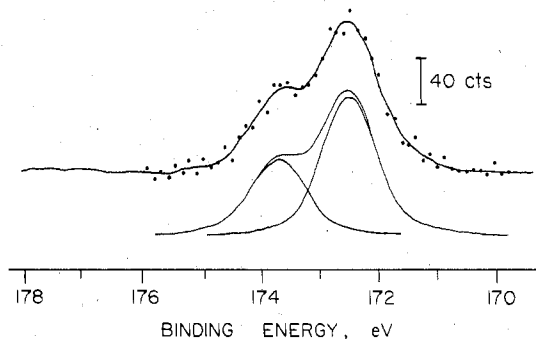


Figure 1. S 2p<sub>1/2</sub>, 2p<sub>3/2</sub> spectrum of  $S_2N_2$  gas and the simulated spectrum showing the curve-resolved 2p<sub>1/2</sub> and 2p<sub>3/2</sub> components. The components have 50:50 Gaussian-Lorentzian line shapes.

(electronegativity equalization)<sup>5d</sup> and semiempirical MNDO<sup>6</sup> MO calculations.

### Experimental Section

$S_2N_2$  was freshly prepared according to the established procedure.<sup>2</sup> Spectra were recorded with a McPherson ESCA-36 photoelectron spectrometer equipped with a Mg Kα (1253.6 eV) X-ray source. The McPherson gas sample cell was fitted with indium gaskets and a 1-mil aluminum window to isolate the sample from the X-ray source. Pressures in the sample chamber ranged from high 10<sup>-7</sup> to low 10<sup>-6</sup> torr during data collection. The  $S_2N_2$  was introduced into the gas cell via an evacuated glass vessel. Sufficient  $S_2N_2$  pressure for data collection was maintained by gently warming the glass vessel (ca. ≤ 40 °C) with a hot air blower.

Data were collected and processed with a PDP-12 computer. Curve resolution of the S 2p<sub>1/2</sub> and 2p<sub>3/2</sub> levels was achieved by using a Gaussian-Lorentzian curve generation subroutine which is part of the McPherson program package. The simulated and experimental curves were judged equivalent by visual comparison of the curves. Core-level binding energies were standardized to the Ar 2p<sub>3/2</sub> level of argon gas (248.62 eV),<sup>7</sup> spectra of which were recorded immediately before and after data collection for  $S_2N_2$ . The two Ar 2p<sub>3/2</sub> binding energies recorded were identical within experimental error.

MNDO calculations on  $S_2N_2$  were performed on the IBM 370/145 computer at Georgetown University using QCPE program no. 353. All geometry parameters were optimized. CHELEQ calculations were performed on the Texas Instruments Advanced Scientific Computer

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## Results and Discussion

The  $S_2N_2$  core level binding energies and their respective full widths at half maxima (FWHM) are summarized in Table I, while the S  $2p_{1/2}$ ,  $2p_{3/2}$  spectrum is shown in Figure 1. The area ratio of the curve resolved  $2p_{1/2}$  and  $2p_{3/2}$  components of the S  $2p$  level is 1.00:1.90, in close agreement with the ratio predicted by Scofield<sup>9</sup> and by Nefedov et al.<sup>10</sup> (1.00:1.96) and that measured by Banna et al.<sup>11</sup> and Siegbahn and co-workers<sup>12,13</sup> in a number of other sulfur compounds. The  $2p_{1/2}$ ,  $2p_{3/2}$  spin-orbit splitting of 1.20 eV also agrees with the value reported previously.<sup>11-13</sup> Line widths of the S  $2_{1/2}$ ,  $2p_{3/2}$  and N  $1s$  levels (1.08–1.09 eV) approach the limiting line width for the experimental parameters employed. Thus, these symmetric narrow peaks are consistent with the presence of a single form of sulfur and nitrogen in  $S_2N_2$ . The larger line width of the S  $2s$  level (2.15 eV) is undoubtedly due to the more rapid relaxation of the core-hole state which arises from a Coster-Kronig transition.<sup>14</sup>

In qualitative accord with the simple valence bond picture for  $S_2N_2$  (valence bond structures I and II) and straightforward electronegativity arguments, we find that the recorded S  $2p$ , S  $2s$ , and N  $1s$  binding energies are indicative of charge transfer from sulfur to nitrogen. For example, the S  $2p_{3/2}$  binding energy of 172.44 eV in  $S_2N_2$  is 1.8–1.9 eV higher than that reported for  $S_8$  vapor.<sup>11a</sup> Conversely, the N  $1s$  binding energy of  $S_2N_2$  (405.86 eV) is 4.1 eV lower than that of  $N_2$ .<sup>7</sup>

The bonding and charge distribution of  $S_2N_2$  can be examined in greater detail by comparison of the observed core level binding energies of  $S_2N_2$  with those of other sulfur- and/or nitrogen-containing molecules, including  $S_4N_4$ , and by using the atomic charges calculated according to the electronegativity equalization method. The atomic charges and core level binding energies can then be correlated by using the point-charge potential model<sup>12</sup>

$$E_B = kQ + V + I$$

where  $E_B$  is the measured binding energy,  $Q$  is the ground-state charge of the core ionized atom,  $V$  is the Coulomb potential due to all the other atoms in the molecule, and  $k$  and  $l$  are constants. We have used the CHELEQ program written by Jolly and Perry<sup>5d</sup> for this purpose. The atomic charges calculated depend on the weighting of the plausible valence bond structures selected. The structure and valence bond representations (I and II) for  $S_2N_2$  have already been discussed.  $S_4N_4$  has a cage structure ( $D_{2d}$  symmetry)<sup>15</sup> comprised of a bisphenoid of sulfur atoms and a square of nitrogen atoms. The S–N bond distances in  $S_4N_4$  (1.616 and 1.642 Å) are very similar to those in  $S_2N_2$  (1.657 and 1.651 Å). A notable additional feature in the topology of  $S_4N_4$  is the short S–S distance ( $\sim 2.58$  Å) from which one can infer a significant S–S bonding interaction.

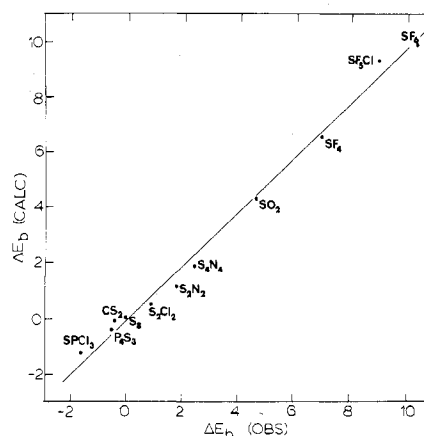
**Table II.** Variance of Calculated and Experimental Core-Level Binding Energies for  $S_2N_2$  and  $S_4N_4$  According to the CHELEQ Method

valence bond structure	$E_B(\text{calcd}) - E_B(\text{exptl}), \text{eV}$		charge transfer, <sup>a</sup> e (S→N)
	S $2p_{3/2}$	N $1s$	
II, $S_2N_2$	-0.58	-0.20	0.19
III, $S_4N_4$	-1.0	0.0	0.19
IV, $S_4N_4$	+0.5	-4.6	0.43
80% III + 20% IV	-0.6	-0.7	0.24

<sup>a</sup> CHELEQ method. <sup>b</sup> Best fit for both S  $2p_{3/2}$  and N  $1s$   $E_B$ 's.

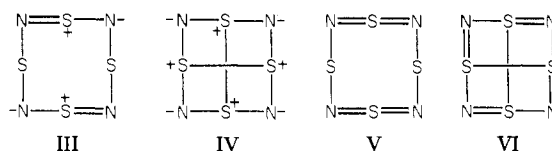
**Table III.** Calculated Charge Transfer (S→N) in  $S_2N_2$  and  $S_4N_4$

method	charge transfer, e (S→N)		ref
	$S_2N_2$	$S_4N_4$	
MNDO	0.402	0.53	this work
SCF-X $\alpha$	0.48	0.55	4a
INDO-type ASMO-SCF	0.201	0.709	4b,d
CNDO-S		0.47	4c



**Figure 2.** A plot of the CHELEQ calculated vs. experimental S  $2p_{3/2}$  binding energies.

On the basis of its structure, possible valence bond representations for  $S_4N_4$  are given (III–VI). As in the case for



$S_2N_2$ ,  $N(p\pi) \rightarrow S(d\pi)$  back-bonding and decreased S→N charge transfer (valence bond forms V and VI) may be significant in the bonding of  $S_4N_4$ .

In the CHELEQ program, a least-squares fit of the observed binding energies for a given atom with the calculated values of  $Q$  and  $V$  provides values of  $k$  and  $l$ . These parameters are then used along with the calculated  $Q$  and  $V$  to yield calculated binding energies. On the assumption that lesser deviations of  $E_B$  (calcd) from  $E_B$  (obsd) reflect a more accurate view of the bonding in a given molecule, we find that the bonding in  $S_2N_2$  is best described by VB structure II while the best description for  $S_4N_4$  involves a mixture of 80% VB structure III and 20% VB structure IV.<sup>16</sup> Results for the best fits of  $E_B$  (calcd) to  $E_B$  (exptl) are summarized in Table II and the least-squares fit of observed and calculated S  $2p_{3/2}$  binding energies for

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sulfur compounds is shown in Figure 2.

Two important conclusions can be drawn on the basis of the above results. First, the XPS data for  $S_2N_2$  and  $S_4N_4$  are best interpreted without invoking  $N(p\pi) \rightarrow S(d\pi)$  back-bonding. Second, the greater  $S \rightarrow N$  charge transfer in  $S_4N_4$  arises from a significant contribution (20%) of valence bond structure IV in which sulfur-sulfur bonds are present. Thus, the XPS data are indicative of a modest S-S bonding interaction, consistent with the S-S distance in the  $S_4N_4$  structure and in accord with a recent UV photoelectron spectroscopic study.<sup>4c</sup>

For comparison we have also calculated atomic charges for  $S_2N_2$  and  $S_4N_4$  by the parameterized MNDO molecular orbital method. The  $S \rightarrow N$  charge transfer according to this method is 0.402 e for  $S_2N_2$  and 0.53 e for  $S_4N_4$ .<sup>17</sup> The charge transferred calculated by the MNDO MO method is compared with those calculated by other molecular orbital methods in Table III. In agreement with the CHELEQ analysis of the XPS results, all of the methods predict greater  $S \rightarrow N$  charge transfer in  $S_4N_4$  than in  $S_2N_2$ .

### Summary

XPS results, interpreted with the aid of the CHELEQ procedure, show that  $N(p\pi) \rightarrow S(d\pi)$  back-bonding is not necessary for a clear understanding of the bonding and charge distribution in  $S_2N_2$  or its precursor  $S_4N_4$ . Semiempirical MNDO MO calculations are in agreement with this view. XPS also shows  $S \rightarrow N$  charge transfer to be greater in  $S_4N_4$  than in  $S_2N_2$ .

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(17) The minimum energy geometry for  $S_2N_2$  obtained from the MNDO calculations is essentially square with S-N bond lengths of 1.621 Å (1.62 Å experimental) and SNS and NSN angles of 95.0° (92.0° experimental) and 85.0° (88.0° experimental), respectively. The minimum energy geometry of  $S_4N_4$  is largely the same as that which has been experimentally determined except that the MNDO S-S distances are 0.50 Å greater than those reported in the X-ray crystal structure determination. Detailed results of the MNDO calculations will be published elsewhere.

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### Synthesis and Molecular Geometry of [[ $(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{As}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2$ ] $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$ ]

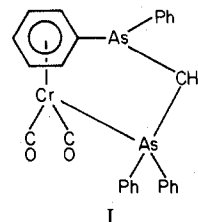
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The preparation and structural chemistry of  $\eta^6$ -arene complexes have been investigated thoroughly; in particular, definitive structural studies of  $(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)_2\text{Cr}^I$  and  $(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6)\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3^2$  have appeared. A number of complexes have been reported in which a  $(\eta^6\text{-arene}) \rightarrow \text{metal}$  linkage arises by interaction of the phenyl (or substituted phenyl) ring of (inter alia) an arylphosphine or an arylarsine ligand with the metal atom. Another unexpected class of molecules thus obtained

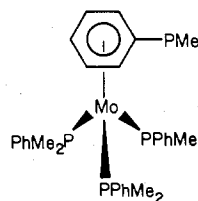
consists of  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_3]\text{Ru}[\text{P}(\text{OMe})_3]_2^3$  and related  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_3]\text{Ru}$ -containing complexes.<sup>4</sup>

The ligand  $\text{Ph}_2\text{AsCH}_2\text{AsPh}_2$  reacts with  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$  in decane yielding the chelate complex I, the crystal structure of which has been reported.<sup>5</sup>



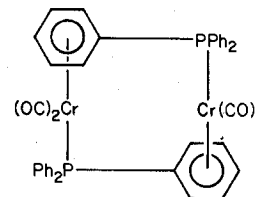
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A rather less direct route has led to the production of  $(\text{PPhMe}_2)_4\text{Mo}$  which has been shown<sup>6</sup> to have structure II. This appears to be the only nonchelating monomeric complex based upon an  $\eta^6$ -arylphosphine or -arsine to be characterized structurally to date.



II

The reaction of  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$  with various triarylphosphine ligands (L) at high temperature has been shown<sup>7</sup> to give rise to two series of complexes of stoichiometry  $[\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_2\text{L}]_2$  and  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3\text{L}$ . A structural study of the dimeric species  $\{[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{P}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2]\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_2\}_2$  has revealed<sup>8</sup> the configuration III.



III (schematic, only)

We now report the preparation of a  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3\text{L}$  derivative (L = triphenylarsine), its crystallographic characterization as  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{As}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2]\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$ , and its reaction with  $(\text{NMe}_3)\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_5$ .

### Experimental Section

**Preparation of  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{As}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2]\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$ .** A mixture of  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$  (1.0 g) and  $\text{As}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_3$  (3.0 g) in decane (50 mL) was refluxed under argon for 8 h. The resulting orange solution was concentrated and passed down a Florisil column with hexane as eluant. The yellow band was collected, reduced in volume, and cooled to  $-20^\circ\text{C}$  overnight, yielding 0.5 g of yellow crystals of  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{As}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2]\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$  (25% yield), which were washed with pentane and dried in vacuo; mp  $119\text{--}120^\circ\text{C}$ . IR (hexane):  $\nu(\text{CO})$  1978 (s), 1914 (s)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ ):  $\delta$  7.3 (H, aryl), 5.1–5.0 (H,  $\pi$ -arene); ratio 2:1. Anal.

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