

# Synthesis, Molecular Structure, and Vibrational Spectra of *cyclo*-Bis( $\mu$ -carbonyl)dipalladium(I) Fluorosulfate, $[c\text{-Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$

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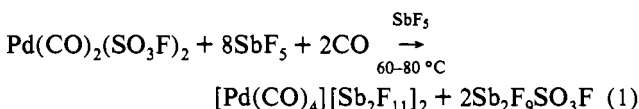
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The synthesis, molecular structure, and complete vibrational spectrum of *cyclo*-bis( $\mu$ -carbonyl)dipalladium(I) fluorosulfate,  $[c\text{-Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ , are reported. The synthesis is achieved by reductive decomposition of  $\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_2(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  in fluorosulfuric acid,  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ ; at 25 °C, long orange-red needles form over a period of about 3 weeks. The compound is stable up to 157 °C (the decomposition point). The molecular structure is solved by single-crystal X-ray diffraction. Crystals of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  are monoclinic,  $C2/c$ ;  $a = 11.495(1)$ ,  $b = 8.255(1)$ , and  $c = 9.556(1)$  Å;  $\beta = 91.94(1)^\circ$ ;  $Z = 8$ . The structure is solved by the Patterson method and is refined by full-matrix least-squares procedures to  $R = 0.061$  and  $R_w = 0.075$  for 2667 reflections with  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$ . The structure reveals planar  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  cations formed by two nearly symmetrically CO-bridged palladium atoms, linked by bidentate-bridging fluorosulfate anions into a polymeric sheet. The vibrational spectrum using FT-IR and FT-Raman spectroscopy down to 50  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  is interpreted in terms of  $D_{2h}$  symmetry for the molecular cation, and 10 of the expected 12 fundamental vibrations are detected and assigned. The vibrational spectrum features the highest CO stretching frequency ( $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})_{\text{av}} = 2002 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) so far reported for a bidentate-bridging CO ligand in metal-carbonyl chemistry.

## Introduction

In the past,<sup>1,2</sup> several carbonyl derivatives of palladium have been reported with the metal in the formal oxidation state +2, +1, or 0; however, binary palladium carbonyls are rather rare. They include CO adsorbates on palladium surfaces of the compositions  $\text{PdCO}$  and  $\text{Pd}_2(\text{CO})_3$ ,<sup>3,4</sup> and matrix-isolated molecules of the types  $\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_n$  with  $n = 1\text{--}4$ .<sup>5–7</sup> Both groups contain zerovalent palladium. The matrix-isolated molecules studied by vibrational spectroscopy are of very limited thermal stability.

We very recently reported the synthesis of the first example of a binary carbonyl cation,  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_4]^{2+}$ .<sup>8</sup> This cation, studied by vibrational spectroscopy, is thermally stable to  $\sim 150$  °C, has a square-planar geometry, and exhibits unusually high CO-stretching vibrations with  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})_{\text{av}}$  at 2259  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , well above the value of 2143  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  reported for gaseous CO.<sup>9</sup> The  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_4]^{2+}$  cation is stabilized by the very weakly basic anion  $\text{Sb}_2\text{F}_{11}^-$ <sup>10</sup> and formed by the solvolysis of  $\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_2(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  in liquid antimony(V) fluoride<sup>11</sup> in the presence of CO according to



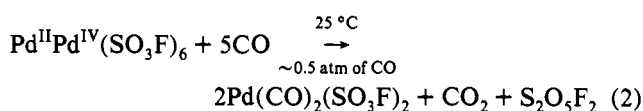
The starting material for the above reaction,  $\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_2(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ ,

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is obtained by the reductive carbonylation of the mixed-valency compound  $\text{Pd}^{\text{II}}\text{Pd}^{\text{IV}}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_6$ <sup>12</sup> in  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ :



While the composition of the yellow solid product obtained via reaction 2 is established by microanalysis as  $\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_2(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ , the vibrational spectra of the CO-stretching region suggest a mixture of several isomers. Subsequent attempts to separate this mixture by recrystallization from fluorosulfuric acid have resulted in the formation of orange-red crystals of the composition  $\text{Pd}(\text{CO})\text{SO}_3\text{F}$ , which are found suitable for a single-crystal X-ray diffraction study.

The molecular structure of this novel palladium(I) carbonyl derivative reported here reveals a cyclic, completely planar  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  cation, linked by bidentate, symmetrically bridging fluorosulfate groups into a polymeric sheet. The CO groups are symmetrically bridging, and the molecular cation belongs to the point group  $D_{2h}$ .

Vibrational spectra consisting of IR and Raman spectra down to 50  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are reported here as well. A vibrational study is of interest on two accounts: (i) There are very few structurally characterized cyclic heteroatomic inorganic molecules of the point group  $D_{2h}$  known. Previously reported examples of six-atom cyclic systems have included hypothetical but plausible molecules like dimeric  $(\text{BeCl}_2)_2$ <sup>13</sup> or matrix isolated  $(\text{MgBr}_2)_2$ , studied by infrared spectroscopy.<sup>14</sup> In addition, for  $\text{S}_2\text{N}_2$  the molecular structure,<sup>15</sup> a vibrational analysis, a Raman spectrum,<sup>16</sup> and a number of IR bands<sup>17</sup> are known. (ii) There have been a number of reports on

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carbonyl cations with unusual spectroscopic features formed by electron-rich metals, such as Ag(I),<sup>18,19</sup> Au(I),<sup>20,21</sup> and Pt(II) and Pd(II),<sup>8</sup> and stabilized by very weakly basic anions. Most notable among these features is  $\nu(\text{CO})$ , found generally above 2200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The cyclic species  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  is the first binuclear cation that is thermally stable in this series. It will be interesting to see if the unusual spectroscopic features noted previously for cations of the noble metals with terminal CO groups<sup>8,18-21</sup> extend also to those with bridging carbonyl ligands.

There is a structural precedent for  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ , dimethyltin(IV) bis(fluorosulfate),  $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ . It is also a sheetlike polymer with bidentate, symmetrically bridging fluorosulfate groups.<sup>22</sup> Both its infrared and Raman spectra are known<sup>23,24</sup> and should help in identifying the anion vibrations in the spectrum of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ .

## Experimental Section

(a) **Chemicals.** Palladium powder was obtained from the Ventron Corp. (Alfa Inorganics). Fluorosulfuric acid,  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$  (technical grade), was obtained from Orange County Chemicals and purified by double distillation.<sup>25</sup> Bis(fluorosulfonyl) peroxide,  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_6\text{F}_2$ , was prepared by fluorination of  $\text{SO}_3$  using  $\text{AgF}_2$  as a catalyst.<sup>26</sup> Carbon monoxide (CP grade, 99.5% purity) was obtained from Linde Gases and dried by condensation in a trap cooled to  $-196^\circ\text{C}$  and partial evaporation.  $\text{Pd}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_3$ <sup>12</sup> was prepared as described by us previously.

(b) **Instrumentation and Equipment.** Infrared spectra down to 400  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  were recorded on two instruments: A Perkin-Elmer 598 grating spectrometer and a Bomen MB 102 Fourier-transform infrared spectrometer (FTIR). Solid samples were finely ground and pressed as thin films between AgBr or AgCl windows (Harshaw Chemicals). Far-infrared spectra in the range 500–50  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  were obtained with a Bruker IFS-66v spectrometer with the samples as polyethylene pellets. FT-Raman spectra were recorded with a Bruker FRA 106 FT Raman accessory mounted on an IFS-66v FTIR optical bench. Samples were contained in melting-point capillaries.

Volatile materials and gases were measured in a vacuum line of known volume. A Setra 280E pressure transducer with digital output was used to measure the pressure. Standard vacuum-line techniques were employed to manipulate air- and moisture-sensitive samples. Reactions were carried out inside Pyrex round-bottom flasks (50 or 100 mL) fitted with 4-mm Kontes stopcocks and B10 ground-glass cones. Since all products were hygroscopic, they were manipulated and stored inside a Vacuum Atmospheres Corp. Dri-Lab, Model HE 493, filled with dry nitrogen and equipped with an HE 493 Dri-Train.

(c) **Synthesis of Single Crystals of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ .** Approximately 150 mg of pale yellow solid  $\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_2(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ , obtained by reductive carbonylation of  $\text{Pd}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_3$  in  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ , was placed in a round-bottom flask and redissolved in about 5 mL of  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ . The color of the solution changed immediately from pale yellow to light orange. After the solution stood for 4 days at room temperature, small needlelike orange-red crystals were observed. An additional 2 weeks was needed to allow the crystals to grow to a size suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The crystals were isolated by pipetting the orange-red solution out of the flask and washing the crystals repeatedly with small amounts of  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ . The fluorosulfuric acid was removed first by pipetting and then by vacuum transfer with the sample at room temperature. The needles, which had grown to a length of 10–12 mm, were cut into small pieces inside the drybox and fitted into Lindemann glass capillaries. Samples used for vibrational spectroscopy were ground into a fine powder, again inside the drybox.  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  is an orange-red, extremely hygroscopic crystalline material that melts at  $157^\circ\text{C}$  with decomposition to give a

**Table 1.** Crystallographic Data<sup>a</sup>

compd	$[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})(\text{SO}_3\text{F})]_n$	$V, \text{\AA}^3$	906.3(2)
formula	$\text{CFO}_4\text{PdS}$	$Z$	8
fw	233.47	$\rho_{\text{calc}}, \text{g/cm}^3$	3.422
cryst system	monoclinic	$T, ^\circ\text{C}$	21
space group	$C2/c$	$\mu, \text{cm}^{-1}$	44.91
$a, \text{\AA}$	11.495(1)	transm factors	0.75–1.00
$b, \text{\AA}$	8.255(1)	$R(F)$	0.061
$c, \text{\AA}$	9.556(1)	$R_w(F)$	0.075
$\beta, \text{deg}$	91.94(1)		

<sup>a</sup> Temperature 294 K, Rigaku AFC6S diffractometer, Mo  $K\alpha$  ( $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{\AA}$ ) radiation, graphite monochromator, takeoff angle  $6.0^\circ$ , aperture  $6.0 \times 6.0 \text{ mm}$  at a distance of 285 mm from the crystal, stationary-background counts at each end of the scan (scan:background time ratio 2:1),  $\sigma^2(F^2) = [S^2(C + 4B) + (0.01F^2)^2]/L_p^2$  ( $S = \text{scan rate}$ ,  $C = \text{scan count}$ ,  $B = \text{normalized background count}$ ), function minimized  $\sum_w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$  where  $w = 4F_o^2/\sigma^2(F_o^2)$ ,  $R = \sum|F_o| - |F_c|/\sum|F_o|$ ,  $R_w = (\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2)^{1/2}$ , and  $\text{gof} = [\sum w(F_o - F_c)^2/(m - n)]^{1/2}$ . Values given for  $R$ ,  $R_w$ , and  $\text{gof}$  are based on those reflections with  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$ .

**Table 2.** Atomic Coordinates and  $B_{\text{eq}}$  Values

atom	$x$	$y$	$z$	$B_{\text{eq}}, \text{\AA}^2$
Pd(1)	0.41737(3)	0.02552(4)	0.09417(3)	1.789(6)
S(1)	0.28837(9)	0.3681(1)	0.2017(1)	1.93(2)
F(1)	0.3654(4)	0.4972(4)	0.2763(4)	2.99(7)
O(1)	0.3556(3)	0.2210(5)	0.2221(4)	2.60(7)
O(2)	0.1839(4)	0.3642(5)	0.2814(5)	3.35(8)
O(3)	0.2747(4)	0.4127(7)	0.0609(5)	3.19(8)
O(4)	0.4733(4)	-0.3082(5)	0.0272(5)	3.35(8)
C(1)	0.4857(4)	-0.1730(5)	0.0136(5)	2.07(7)

$$^a B_{\text{eq}} = (8/3)\pi^2 \sum U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* (\mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{a}_j)$$

**Table 3.** Bond Lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ )<sup>a</sup>

Pd(1)–Pd(1) <sup>1</sup>	3.4777(7)	Pd(1)–Pd(1) <sup>2</sup>	2.6939(6)
Pd(1)–O(1)	2.159(3)	Pd(1)–O(2) <sup>3</sup>	2.153(4)
Pd(1)–O(3) <sup>4</sup>	2.653(4)	Pd(1)–C(1)	1.984(4)
Pd(1)–C(1) <sup>2</sup>	1.966(4)	S(1)–F(1)	1.545(4)
S(1)–O(1)	1.449(4)	S(1)–O(2)	1.444(4)
S(1)–O(3)	1.420(5)	O(4)–C(1)	1.133(6)

<sup>a</sup> Superscripts refer to symmetry operations: (1)  $1 - x, y, 1/2 - z$ ; (2)  $1 - x, -y, -z$ ; (3)  $1/2 - x, y - 1/2, 1/2 - z$ ; (4)  $1/2 - x, 1/2 - y, -z$ ; (5)  $1/2 - x, 1/2 + y, 1/2 - z$ .

black residue. Anal. Calc for  $\text{CO}_4\text{SFPd}$ : S, 13.73; C, 5.14. Found: S, 13.97; C, 5.09.

(d) **X-ray Crystallographic Analysis of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ .** Crystallographic data appear in Table 1. The final unit-cell parameters were obtained by least-squares calculations on the setting angles for 25 reflections with  $2\theta = 67.8\text{--}73.0^\circ$ . The intensities of three standard reflections, measured every 200 reflections throughout the data collection, remained constant. The data were processed<sup>27</sup> and corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and for absorption (empirical; based on azimuthal scans for three reflections).

The structure was solved by conventional heavy-atom methods, the coordinates of the Pd and S atoms being determined from the Patterson function and those of the remaining atoms from subsequent difference Fourier syntheses. All atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters. A secondary extinction correction was applied, the final value of the extinction coefficient being  $1.35(8) \times 10^{-6}$ . Neutral-atom scattering factors and anomalous-dispersion corrections were taken from ref 28. Final atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters and selected bond lengths and bond angles appear in Tables 2–4, respectively. Complete tables of crystallographic data, anisotropic thermal parameters, torsion angles, and intermolecular contacts are included as supplementary material.

## Results and Discussion

(a) **Synthetic Aspects.** The reductive carbonylation of the solid, mixed-oxidation-state compound  $\text{Pd}^{\text{II}}\text{Pd}^{\text{IV}}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_6$ <sup>12</sup> at  $25^\circ\text{C}$

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Table 4. Bond Angles (deg)<sup>a</sup>

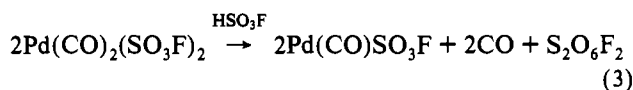
Pd(1) <sup>1</sup> -Pd(1)-Pd(1)	101.25(2)	Pd(1) <sup>1</sup> -Pd(1)-O(1)	72.3(1)
Pd(1) <sup>1</sup> -Pd(1)-O(2) <sup>3</sup>	79.4(2)	Pd(1) <sup>1</sup> -Pd(1)-O(3) <sup>4</sup>	153.94(10)
Pd(1) <sup>1</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1)	96.9(2)	Pd(1) <sup>1</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1) <sup>2</sup>	98.4(2)
Pd(1) <sup>2</sup> -Pd(1)-O(1)	138.4(1)	Pd(1) <sup>2</sup> -Pd(1)-O(2) <sup>3</sup>	87.4(2)
Pd(1) <sup>2</sup> -Pd(1)-O(3) <sup>4</sup>	104.18(10)	Pd(1) <sup>2</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1)	46.7(1)
Pd(1) <sup>2</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1) <sup>2</sup>	47.3(1)	O(1)-Pd(1)-O(2) <sup>3</sup>	87.4(2)
O(1)-Pd(1)-O(3) <sup>4</sup>	84.8(2)	O(1)-Pd(1)-C(1)	168.3(2)
O(1)-Pd(1)-C(1) <sup>2</sup>	92.1(2)	O(2) <sup>3</sup> -Pd(1)-O(3) <sup>4</sup>	87.4(2)
O(2) <sup>3</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1)	86.1(2)	O(2) <sup>3</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1) <sup>2</sup>	177.8(2)
O(3) <sup>4</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1)	104.6(2)	O(3) <sup>4</sup> -Pd(1)-C(1) <sup>2</sup>	94.7(2)
C(1)-Pd(1)-C(1) <sup>2</sup>	94.0(2)	F(1)-S(1)-O(1)	102.8(2)
F(1)-S(1)-O(2)	104.2(3)	F(1)-S(1)-O(3)	105.4(3)
O(1)-S(1)-O(2)	111.1(3)	O(1)-S(1)-O(3)	115.5(3)
O(2)-S(1)-O(3)	116.1(3)	Pd(1)-O(1)-S(1)	137.3(3)
Pd(1) <sup>5</sup> -O(2)-S(1)	138.8(3)	Pd(1) <sup>4</sup> -O(3)-S(1)	130.0(3)
Pd(1)-C(1)-Pd(1) <sup>2</sup>	86.0(2)	Pd(1)-C(1)-O(4)	135.8(4)
Pd(1) <sup>2</sup> -C(1)-O(4)	138.2(4)		

<sup>a</sup> Superscripts refer to symmetry operations: (1)  $1-x, y, 1/2-z$ ; (2)  $1-x, -y, -z$ ; (3)  $1/2-x, y-1/2, 1/2-z$ ; (4)  $1/2-x, 1/2-y, -z$ ; (5)  $1/2-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z$ .

produces almost exclusively *cis*-Pd(CO)<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> with  $\bar{\nu}$ (CO) at 2208 and 2228 cm<sup>-1</sup> (see eq 2). If the reaction is carried out in fluorosulfuric acid, the composition of the pale yellow product is again Pd(CO)<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (Anal. Calc: C, 6.66; S, 17.78. Found: C, 6.67; S, 17.97). However, the vibrational spectrum shows greater complexity in the SO<sub>3</sub>F-stretching and -deformation regions. There are also now four bands in the CO-stretching region. Besides bands of medium intensity at 2208 and 2228 cm<sup>-1</sup>, attributed to *cis*-Pd(CO)<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>11</sup> two strong bands at 2179 and 1967 cm<sup>-1</sup> are observed. The band positions suggest the presence of both a bridging and a terminal CO group,<sup>29-31</sup> which in turn is possibly evidence for an oligomeric, CO-bridged isomeric species.

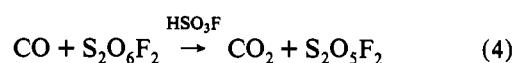
To separate the apparent isomer mixture, recrystallization from fluorosulfuric acid was undertaken. Indeed, a needlelike crystalline material formed from solution over a period of about 3 weeks. However, there were indications of substantial changes: The color of the solution changed from pale yellow to orange. The IR spectrum of this solution in HSO<sub>3</sub>F shows three bands in the CO-stretching region. Bands at 2213 and 2233 cm<sup>-1</sup> have previously been observed for solutions of *cis*-Pd(CO)<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> in HSO<sub>3</sub>F,<sup>11</sup> as well as a band at 1982 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to partly ionized [Pd<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -CO)<sub>2</sub>](SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (*vide infra*). The bands at 2179 and 1967 cm<sup>-1</sup>, attributed to the oligomeric isomer, are no longer observed, which in turn may suggest that only this form is involved in the formation of [Pd<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -CO)<sub>2</sub>](SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>. However, we noticed recently that on standing at room temperature the solid isomer mixture or its solution in HSO<sub>3</sub>F will convert slowly to *cis*-Pd(CO)<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>. It is therefore unclear whether the oligomeric form has undergone conversion to the *cis* isomer or decomposition to [Pd(CO)SO<sub>3</sub>F]<sub>n</sub>. The crystals obtained as precipitate are red-orange, and the CO band is observed at 1977 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the IR spectrum of the solid compound. In addition, the decomposition point of the product (157 °C) is now higher and the composition, determined by microanalysis, is found to correspond closely to the formula Pd(CO)SO<sub>3</sub>F.

It appears that reductive elimination of SO<sub>3</sub>F radicals, their dimerization to S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>2</sub>, and the simultaneous loss of 1 mol of carbon monoxide have occurred according to



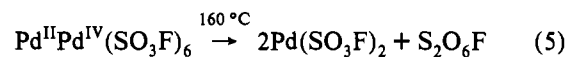
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which is possibly followed by oxidation of CO to CO<sub>2</sub>

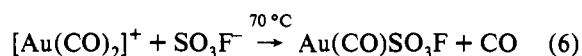


as observed recently.<sup>20</sup>

Even though the quantity of material used was too small to permit an unambiguous identification of the gaseous byproducts, the <sup>19</sup>F-NMR spectrum of the solution clearly shows the resonance of S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>F<sub>2</sub> at 47.5 ppm. As a relevant precedent, the rather uncommon reductive elimination of S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>2</sub> has been observed previously for palladium fluorosulfates.<sup>12,32</sup>



However, the process involves reduction of Pd(IV) to Pd(II) and requires elevated temperatures. In addition, bis(carbonyl) derivatives of palladium are rare and are considered to be thermally unstable.<sup>1,2</sup> Hence CO elimination is probable because the only other Pd(CO)<sub>2</sub> compounds known, organometallic derivatives of the type *cis*-Pd(CO)<sub>2</sub>R<sub>2</sub> (R = C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>Cl<sub>5</sub>),<sup>33</sup> are stable only below -30 °C under CO pressure and will lose CO readily. In addition, the displacement of CO by SO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> in HSO<sub>3</sub>F according to



is known.<sup>20</sup> It appears that the formation of Pd(CO)SO<sub>3</sub>F in HSO<sub>3</sub>F is a rather slow process, which in turn produces single crystals sufficient to permit the structural and spectroscopic studies reported here.

There are a number of seemingly polymeric or oligomeric precedents of diamagnetic palladium(I) carbonyl derivatives of the type [Pd(CO)X]<sub>n</sub>, with X = Cl, Br, or O<sub>2</sub>CR.<sup>1,2</sup> The first member of this group, [Pd(CO)Cl]<sub>n</sub>, appears to have been reported by Manchot and König in 1926,<sup>34</sup> and the molecular structure of an acetate derivative of the composition [Pd(CO)CH<sub>3</sub>-CO<sub>2</sub>]<sub>4</sub>·2CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H is known<sup>35,36</sup> and will be discussed below. The most common synthetic route to these compounds is the reaction of CO with PdX<sub>2</sub> (X = Cl, Br, O<sub>2</sub>CR) in various solvents.<sup>1,2</sup> The conversion of dimeric [Pd(CO)Cl]<sub>2</sub>, with bridging Cl and terminal CO, to [Pd(CO)Cl]<sub>n</sub> in the presence of CO and with acetic anhydride as solvent is also reported,<sup>30</sup> but the route discovered here inadvertently is novel and confirms again that HSO<sub>3</sub>F is a very suitable medium for the generation of noble-metal carbonyl cations<sup>20,21</sup> and their derivatives.

(b) **Molecular Structure of [Pd<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -CO)<sub>2</sub>](SO<sub>3</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>.** Selected bond distances and bond angles are listed in Tables 3 and 4, respectively. The packing within a polymeric sheet is shown in Figure 1, and the coordination environment of palladium, including selected interlayer contacts, is depicted in Figure 2.

The molecular structure consists of cyclic, completely planar four-membered [Pd<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -CO)<sub>2</sub>] units (point group *D*<sub>2h</sub>) with essentially symmetrical carbonyl bridges and a cross-ring Pd-Pd distance of 2.6929(6) Å. Individual metallacycles are connected by symmetrically bridging, O-bidentate fluorosulfate groups, to give rise to polymeric sheets. The coordination environment of palladium, ignoring the Pd-Pd crossring interaction, may be described as approximately *cis* square planar, with bond angles between 94 and 86.1° and average Pd-C and Pd-O distances of 1.975 and 2.156 Å, respectively.

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**Table 6.** Selected Bond Parameters for the Cyclic  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  Cation

	$[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2] \cdot (\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$	$[\text{Pd}_4(\mu\text{-CO})_4(\mu\text{-CH}_3\text{CO}_2)_4] \cdot 2\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}^a$
$d(\text{Pd}\text{---}\text{Pd}), \text{\AA}$	2.6929(6)	2.663(1)
$d(\text{Pd}\cdots\text{Pd}),^b \text{\AA}$	3.4777(7)	2.909(1)
$d(\text{Pd}(1)\text{---}\text{C}(1)), \text{\AA}$	1.966(4)	1.97
$d(\text{Pd}(2)\text{---}\text{C}(11)), \text{\AA}$	1.984(4)	2.01
$d(\text{PdO})_{\text{av}}, \text{\AA}$	2.156(4)	2.12
$d(\text{CO}), \text{\AA}$	1.133(6)	1.15
$\angle \text{Pd}(1)\text{C}(1)\text{Pd}(2), \text{deg}$	86.0	84.2

<sup>a</sup> Reference 35; esd's are only quoted where they could be found in the reference. <sup>b</sup> Denotes, in the case of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ , the interlayer Pd-Pd contact and, for  $[\text{Pd}_4(\mu\text{-CO})_4(\mu\text{-CH}_3\text{CO}_2)_4] \cdot 2\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ , the Pd-Pd bonds with two acetate bridges.

exceptions. The rather long Pd---Pd contact of 2.909(1) Å for  $[\text{Pd}_4(\mu\text{-CO})_4(\mu\text{-CH}_3\text{CO}_2)_4] \cdot 2\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ , supported by two bridging acetate groups, is compared in the case of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  to an interlayer contact of 3.4777(7) Å. The shorter Pd-O bond lengths of 2.12 Å are a reflection of the greater basicity of the acetate group compared to that of the fluorosulfate group.

On the other hand, the short Pd-Pd bond distances, supported by two bridging CO groups in each case, are almost identical to previously reported<sup>39-42</sup> Pd-Pd single bonds for Pd(I) complexes, which are commonly found in the range 2.53-2.69 Å. The two Pd-C distances are in each case not completely identical in length, but the differences are almost within the estimated standard deviations.

The C-O bond distance for the  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  cation is rather short for a bridging carbonyl ligands. The distance is 1.133(6) Å, only slightly longer than in CO, 1.1281 Å.<sup>43</sup> For the acetate derivative a value of 1.15 Å is quoted,<sup>35</sup> and no conclusions are possible. It is anticipated that the CO-stretching frequencies for both compounds, to be discussed subsequently, allow a better comparison.

There is less agreement with structural data reported for other Pd(I)-carbonyl derivatives where other  $\pi$ -acceptor ligands are present as well in the molecule. Frequently, as in  $\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})\text{Cl}_2 \cdot 3\text{PEt}_2\text{Ph}^{42}$  or  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dppm})\text{O}_2\text{CCF}_3](\mu\text{-CO})^{44}$  (dppm = bis(diphenylphosphino)methane), asymmetric carbonyl bridges are present with C-O distances of 1.156(4)<sup>42</sup> and 1.20(3) Å,<sup>44</sup> respectively. In the case of ( $\mu$ -carbonyl)( $\mu$ -(bis(diphenylarsino)-methane)dichlorodipalladium(I), a symmetric carbonyl bridge is claimed;<sup>45</sup> however, the Pd-C distances of 1.84(5) and 1.95(6) Å are not sufficiently accurate to be completely certain on this point.

In all of these structurally characterized palladium(I) carbonyl derivatives,<sup>34,35,42,44,45</sup> only bridging CO groups are encountered. There is, however, one exception—bis( $\mu$ -chloro)dibromodipalladium(I),  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]^{46}$  where bridging chlorides and only terminal CO ligands are found. While there is no precedent for both composition and structure among other palladium carbonyl derivatives,<sup>1,2</sup> close inspection of the reported unit-cell parameters, internuclear distances, and IR stretching frequencies of  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]^{46}$  results in the disturbing observation that

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these data are identical within error limits to previously reported parameters for the well-known complex  $[\text{Rh}(\text{CO})_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]^{47,48}$

In summary, the cyclic  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  reported here departs from previously characterized palladium(I) carbonyl derivatives on three accounts: (i) it is the first structurally characterized binary carbonyl cation formed by a group-10 metal; (ii) the molecular cation is a rare case of a thermally stable, inorganic cyclic molecule of  $D_{2h}$  symmetry; and (iii) the C-O distance is very short for a symmetrically bridging carbonyl ligand. The last two points provide an incentive for a vibrational study, which will be discussed in the next section.

**(c) Vibrational Spectra.** Vibrational spectroscopy has played a very useful role in studies of metal carbonyl compounds<sup>49,50</sup> for three reasons: (i) CO-stretching vibrations are usually observed between 2100 and 1600  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , where they are easily identified and where vibrational coupling to other fundamentals is usually not observed. (ii) The band position of  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$  is very sensitive to subtle changes in coordination and bonding of the CO ligand to the metal center. Hence information regarding the molecular geometry of metal carbonyl compounds as well as the bonding characteristics of the CO ligand has become readily available in the past<sup>49,50</sup> from the study of the CO-stretching vibrations. (iii) In areas of high C-O bond order (between 2 and 3), small changes in bond order are more clearly manifested in shifts of  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$  ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) than in the internuclear distance of C-O (Å), where estimated standard deviations and, in case of terminal CO groups, thermal motion cause uncertainties.

In spite of these advantages, a detailed vibrational analysis, beyond the CO-stretching range, of transition-metal carbonyl derivatives is rarely attempted. This is largely due to experimental limitations. Equipment to record far-IR spectra is commonly not available. Raman spectra are difficult to obtain because many metal-carbonyl derivatives are intensely colored and photolytically labile. In addition, necessary structural information is often either not available, or the molecular structures are far too complex for a meaningful vibrational analysis of the molecules.

All the above-mentioned limitations do not apply here. The molecular structure of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  reveals two weakly interacting ions, and the molecular structure of  $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ <sup>22</sup> (where the complete vibrational spectrum is known<sup>23,24</sup>) provides a useful precedent.

The cyclic  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  cation has  $D_{2h}$  symmetry. Since there is no preferred rotational axis, arbitrary choices have to be made. The 2-fold axis with both CO groups placed on it is designated as the z axis, and the Pd-Pd bond axis becomes the y axis. The irreducible representations of normal vibrations for the cation  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  are

$$\Gamma_{\text{vib}} = 3A_g[\nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3(\text{Ra,p})] + 1B_{2g}[\nu_4(\text{Ra,dp})] + 2B_{3g}[\nu_5, \nu_6(\text{Ra,dp})] + 2B_{1u}[\nu_7, \nu_8(\text{IR})] + 2B_{2u}[\nu_9, \nu_{10}(\text{IR})] + 2B_{3u}[\nu_{11}, \nu_{12}(\text{IR})]$$

for a total of twelve nondegenerate fundamentals. Six are observed only in the Raman, and the other six, only in the IR spectrum.

Even though it has been argued in the preceding section that the fluorosulfate ion, on the basis of bond distances and angles, approaches  $C_{3v}$  symmetry, the weak interaction with the cyclic  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  cation results in a symmetry reduction to  $C_s$ . The irreducible representations for this point group applied to a five-atom molecule are

$$\Gamma_{\text{vib}} = 6A'[\nu_1-\nu_6(\text{Ra,p,IR})] + 3A''[\nu_7-\nu_9(\text{Ra,dp,IR})]$$

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**Table 7.** Vibrational Spectral Data for  $[\text{Pd}_2(\text{CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_n$  and  $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2^a$ 

IR: $\nu$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) intens		Raman: $\Delta^-$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) intens	
$[\text{Pd}_2(\text{CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$	$[\text{Pd}_2(\text{CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$
1977 s		2027 vs	
~1940 vw, sh		1330 m	
1311 s	1351 vs, br		1354 s
		1303	
		1215 vw	
1202 vs	1189 vs, br		1231 w
		1189 w	
1083 s	1088 m	1086 vs	1088 s
	1072 s, br		
827 ms	827 m, sh	823 m	826 ms
682 ms			
638 m, sh			
603 m	600 m, sh	600 w	610 w
585 m, s	581 ms	586 m	584 m
567 s	556 ms	572	551 mw
435 m	417 s	435 m	420 w
424 m		426 m	
		416 m s	
406 m		409 s	
395 ms			
	360 w		367 mw
	304 w		320 mw
		265 ms	
		256 ms	
243 vs		118 w	
112 ms			
		97 vw	
76 m		85 w	

<sup>a</sup>  $\text{SO}_3\text{F}$  modes only.

active, while the 12 fundamentals due to the cation are subject to the mutual exclusion rule, a differentiation between both sets of fundamentals and hence an unambiguous identification of the bands due to the cation should in principle be possible.

The vibrational bands for  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  down to 50 wavenumbers are listed in Table 7 and compared to the bands due to the fluorosulfate group in  $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ ,<sup>23,24</sup> down to 300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Of the Raman bands of the latter compound, a weak  $\text{SO}_3$  stretch at 1231  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  had previously not been observed but was detected in the FT-Raman spectrum obtained in this study. The FT-Raman spectrum of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  is shown in Figure 3.

The bands attributed in both compounds to the fluorosulfate group show reasonable correspondence. The  $\text{SO}_3$ -stretching vibrations of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  found at 1310 and 1200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are both split by  $\sim 25$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the Raman spectrum only. This splitting may be attributed to factor group effects. The two  $\text{SO}_3$  bands arise from a splitting of the asymmetric  $\text{SO}_3$ -stretching mode (E) for ionic fluorosulfates, usually found at  $\sim 1280$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,<sup>50</sup> due to a symmetry reduction from  $C_{3v}$  to  $C_s$ . The extent of this splitting may be taken as a measure of the covalent anion-cation interaction and the departure from  $C_{3v}$  symmetry for the fluorosulfate group. The actual band separations are 110  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  and  $\sim 170$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for  $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ , consistent with observations in regard to S-O bond lengths for both compounds, as summarized in Table 5 and discussed in the preceding section. Finally it is noted that the SF-stretching vibrations at  $\sim 825$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are intermediate between  $\bar{\nu}(\text{SF})$  values for ionic alkali metal fluorosulfates at  $\sim 750$ – $780$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ <sup>51</sup> and covalent fluorosulfates at  $\sim 880$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .<sup>52</sup>

In summary, the internal vibrations of the fluorosulfate groups in  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  are consistent with weakly interacting

fluorosulfate ions, arranged in a bidentate fashion. It hence appears justified to partition the observed vibrational bands into those due to the anion, as done in the section above, and to attribute the remaining bands, which must follow the mutual exclusion rule, to the cation. In view of the rather weak covalent anion-cation interaction and interlayer contacts revealed by the molecular structure determination, vibrations involving both the cation and anion should be observable only at very low wavenumbers.

Consistent with this view of weak covalent anion-cation interaction, only single bands due to the CO-stretching vibrations are observed in both the Raman, at 2027  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , and the IR spectrum, at 1977  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ . A very weak shoulder at  $\sim 1940$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the IR spectrum is assigned as  $\bar{\nu}$ -( $^{13}\text{C-O}$ ). For  $[\text{Pd}_4(\mu\text{-CO})_4(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CCH}_3)_4]$  two intense IR bands are found at 1940 and 1975  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,<sup>35</sup> and for the solvate with acetic acid, where a molecular structure is known,<sup>35,36</sup> the IR bands are shifted to 1934 and 1968  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . It appears that vibrational coupling within the tetranuclear cluster is a likely cause for the intense doublets in the CO-stretching region. Unfortunately, Raman spectra do not seem to have been reported for both cluster compounds.

For seemingly polymeric  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})\text{X}]_n$  ( $\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$ ),<sup>53</sup> intense IR bands at 1978 and 1953  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , respectively, are reported, but for both compounds several bands of lower intensity are observed in the CO-stretching region, at both slightly lower and slightly higher wavenumbers. Bands at lower wavenumbers, two for each compound, may be interpreted either as  $^{13}\text{C}$ -satellite bands or as bands due to vibrational coupling. The bands at higher wavenumbers, at 2023 and 2002  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for the chloro and at 2008 and 1996  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for the bromo derivative, may be symmetric CO-stretching vibrations, which should be only Raman active for point group  $D_{2h}$  and which are split by vibrational coupling. Their observation in the IR spectrum implies that the symmetry in the suggested  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]$  units<sup>53,54</sup> is lower than  $D_{2h}$ . Due to thermal instability of the two Pd(I)-carbonyl derivatives, a Raman spectrum, which would confirm our interpretation, is again not reported.

A common feature of all Pd( $\mu\text{-CO}$ ) derivatives discussed here<sup>35,53</sup> and of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  is the unusual band position of  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$ , which is about 200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  higher than for bidentate bridging groups in transition-metal carbonyl compounds.<sup>49,50</sup> For neutral, polynuclear Pd(I) derivatives, the situation is different. In addition to the derivatives cited above, which are of the general type  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})\text{X}]_n$  with  $\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2$ , or  $\text{SO}_3\text{F}$ ,<sup>35,36,53,54</sup> where  $\pi$ -donation appears to be reduced, there are examples among the complexes with reported crystal structures where the CO-stretching vibrations are considerably lower and fall into a more normal range for bridging carbonyls.<sup>49,50,54</sup> However, here other  $\pi$ -acid ligands are present in the molecule in addition to CO. In  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dppm})(\text{O}_2\text{CCF}_3)_2](\mu\text{-CO})_4$ <sup>44</sup> (dppm = bis((diphenylphosphino)methane), an asymmetric CO bridge is observed and  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$  is reported at 1720  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . For the analogous dpam derivative (dpam = bis(diphenylarsino)methane),  $[\text{Pd}(\text{dpam})\text{Cl}]_2(\mu\text{-CO})_4$ ,<sup>45</sup> the CO bridge is symmetric within experimental error (Pd-C = 1.84(5) and 1.95(6) Å), and  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$  is again observed at 1720  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , which is well within the range 1700–1860  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  quoted for bidentate bridging CO ligands in classical transition-metal carbonyl derivatives.<sup>53</sup> The latter examples allow the comment that, at least formally, addition of a bidentate  $\pi$ -acceptor ligand like dpam to polymeric  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})\text{Cl}]_n$  with the principal  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$  band at 1978  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,<sup>53,54</sup> has reduced  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$  by 258  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Besides structural changes, the CO-Pd bond type is altered by increasing the metal to CO  $\pi$ -back-donation in the resulting complex.

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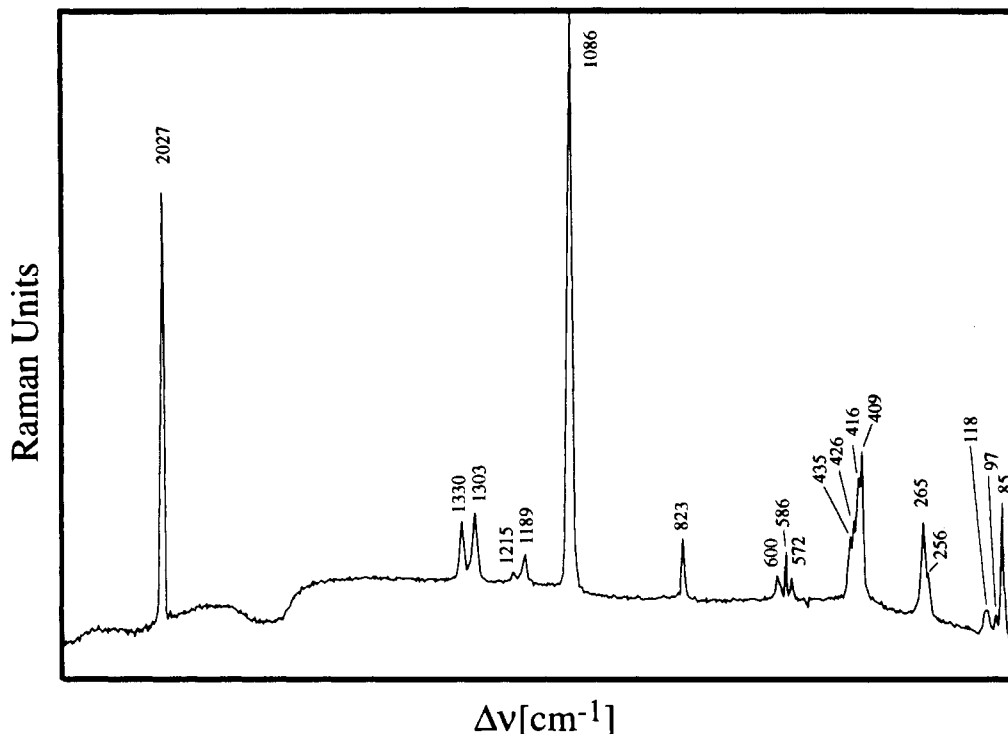


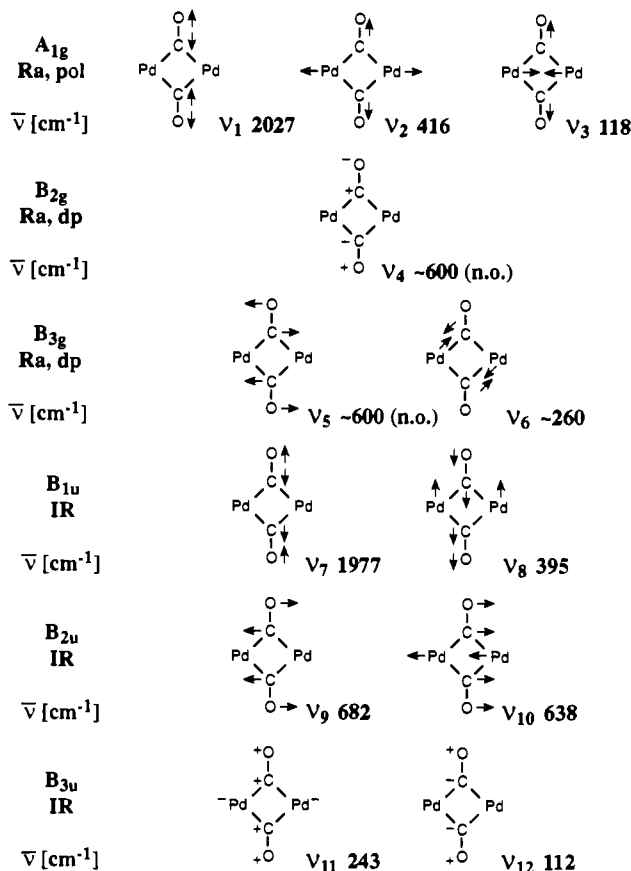
Figure 3. FT-Raman spectrum of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$ .

For the cation  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  the identification and assignment of  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})$  and the identification of the remaining fundamentals are easily accomplished. As seen from Table 7, a total of 10 vibrational bands (6 IR active, 4 Raman active), listed in italics, are attributed to the cation. The 12 fundamental vibrations of the  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  ring are depicted in Figure 4 together with a tentative assignment. This assignment is, in the absence of relevant precedents, based largely on the relative masses of atoms involved in various vibrational motions.

It appears that two of the six Raman-active vibrations are not found. The two missing bands are  $\nu_4(\text{B}_{2g})$ , a symmetric, out-of-plane CO deformation, and  $\nu_5(\text{B}_{3g})$ , a symmetric in-plane CO deformation mode. Both vibrations are very similar and may even coincide, due to accidental degeneracy. They are expected in the region of  $\sim 600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , where overlap with anion bands can occur. In addition, as in the case of  $[\text{Au}(\text{CO})_2]^+$ ,<sup>21</sup> the bands due to deformation modes may be of very low intensity. It is hoped that continued synthetic efforts will lead to  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  salts with different counteranions, e.g.,  $\text{SbF}_6^-$  or  $\text{Sb}_2\text{F}_{11}^-$ . This will hopefully permit an unrestricted view of the spectral region at  $\sim 600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . A similar approach has been successful in the case of  $[\text{Au}(\text{CO})_2][\text{Sb}_2\text{F}_{11}]$ , where a complete vibrational assignment is reported.<sup>21</sup>

In summary, the cyclic  $\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2$  unit appears to be present in all Pd(I)-monocarbonyl derivatives of the type  $[\text{Pd}(\mu\text{-CO})\text{X}]_n$  ( $\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2, \text{SO}_3\text{F}$ ) known so far. Structural differences appear to be caused by the bridging anion X. Strong, effective bridging by the halide anions appears to be leading to, alternately, CO- and Cl- or Br-bridged polymers, according to their vibrational spectra.<sup>53,54</sup> Less effective bridging by bidentate acetate groups results in the pairing of two  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]$  units according to the molecular structure<sup>35,36</sup> and consistent with the vibrational spectra. The weakly nucleophilic, poorly bridging fluorosulfate anions, arranged in a bidentate mode, isolate individual  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  cations sufficiently to permit a vibrational treatment in terms of point group  $D_{2h}$ .

Common to all palladium(I) carbonyl derivatives of the  $[\text{Pd}(\mu\text{-CO})\text{X}]_n$  type is the unusually high CO stretching frequency, which for  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  averages out to  $2002 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , about  $200\text{--}300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  higher than observed for transition-metal



(n.o.) denotes not observed.

Figure 4. Fundamental vibrations of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$ .

carbonyls.<sup>49,50,55</sup> The bonding situation hence parallels very recent observations made by us for various cationic Pd(II)-carbonyl derivatives with terminal CO groups,<sup>8,11</sup> most notably among them  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_4][\text{Sb}_2\text{F}_{11}]_2$ <sup>8</sup> with  $\bar{\nu}(\text{CO})_{\text{av}}$  of  $2259 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , again  $200\text{--}400 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  higher than in the corresponding classical transition-

metal carbonyls.<sup>49,50,55</sup> In both instances extensively reduced  $\pi$ -back-donation from Pd to CO is suggested.

### Summary and Conclusions

On the basis of the molecular structure and the complete vibrational spectrum of  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  reported here, a strong case can be made for the presence of a planar, binuclear carbonyl-bridged cation  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2]^{2+}$  of point group  $D_{2h}$ . This is the fourth in a series of highly symmetric and thermally stable carbonyl cations like  $[\text{Au}(\text{CO})_2]$  ( $D_{\infty h}$ ),<sup>20,21</sup>  $[\text{Pt}(\text{CO})_4]^{2+}$ , and  $[\text{Pd}(\text{CO})_4]^{2+}$  (both  $D_{4h}$ ),<sup>8</sup> reported by us very recently, but the first with bridging CO ligands and the first structurally char-

acterized cation in this group. In all, four cations with unusually high CO-stretching frequencies are observed on account of the substantially reduced  $\pi$ -back-donation. The classical synergetic bonding scheme does not apply and the effective atomic number rule is irrelevant for the noble-metal carbonyl cations.

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**Supplementary Material Available:** Complete tables of crystallographic data, anisotropic thermal parameters, torsion angles, and nonbonded contacts out to 3.60 Å for  $[\text{Pd}_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2](\text{SO}_3\text{F})_2$  (6 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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