by the entropy of mixing. The formation of the mixed complex accounts for the increase in magnetic susceptibility as well as for the optical data which indicate the presence of five-coordinate paramagnetic species, mixed or not, and of diamagnetic ones. The presence of relatively small amounts of tetrahedral species in the mixed solutions with the isopropyl derivatives is not revealed by the latter method. The pmr spectra are diagnostic of this equilibrium; in fact besides the peaks of the parent complexes two peaks for each ring position are present. The appearance of the new double peaks can be well accounted for considering the mixed complex **2.** The two aromatic fragments, belonging to two different ligands, are nonequivalent, especially if we assume that they are *cis* to each other as found for complex 1. This explanation is consistent with those proposed for other salicylaldimine complexes showing a double set of peaks. $10,11$ The shifts of the aromatic fragment alternate between downfield at positions 4 and 6 and upfield at **3** and 5, indicative of large positive and negative spin densities involving π orbitals and in agreement with the spectra of other five-coordinate complexes. **3,10**

These results are comparable to those obtained by Holm'l through nmr measurements on solutions containing the same molar amounts of two bis(N- α branched **alkylsalicylaldiminato)nickel(II)** complexes differing in the alkyl group. The presence of a double set of peaks for each ring position, besides the peaks of the parent complexes, was explained assuming the existence of mixed complexes.

Compounds of the Solid State.-Solid compounds can be obtained from the mixed solutions only by evaporating thoroughly. The solids are fine powders

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Figure 3.—Reflectance spectra of: A, [5-Cl-SALen-N(C_2H_5)₂-Ni; B, mixed compound $[(5\text{-}Cl\text{-}SALEen-N(C_2H_5)_2)(3\text{-}Cl\text{-}SAL-N$ i -C₃H₇)] Ni.

and in some cases the analyses, magnetic moments, and reflectance spectra indicate that impurities or mixtures of different complexes are present. In fact lattice forces are expected to be as important as the differences in energies of the various stereochemical species in solution. Here is reported the compound obtained from the solution containing bis(3-chloro-N-isopro**pylsalicylaldiminato)nickel(II)** and complex **1.** The compound is fully paramagnetic even if the starting isopropyl complex is diamagnetic. The reflectance spectrum (Figure **3)** is quite different from that of the starting complex and resembles the spectrum of complex **1.** Also the narrow range of melting point is indicative of a new compound. We tentatively assign to this compound the structure of complex **2.**

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Iridium-Tin Complexes with Acetylene and Ethylene

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This paper presents a description of the complexes $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(P(C₆H₃)₃)₂(C₂H₂)$ and $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂(C₂H₄).$ These complexes have been obtained adding anhydrous $SnCl₂$ and $C₂H₄$, or $C₂H₄$, to the complex IrCl(CO)(P($C₆H₅$)₃)₂. A description of the intermediate product IrCl(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂(SnCl₂) is also presented.

Introduction

The complexes having the metal-metal bond have been studied extensively in recent years.' One of the aspects studied in the course of this work was the reactivity of SnCl₂.^{1,2} For IrCl(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂ it is possible to isolate the relative complexes with substituted acetylene³ and with substituted ethylene⁴ (the stability of complexes is properly attributed to these electronegative substituents). The complexes

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with unsubstituted acetylene and ethylene have not been isolated.⁵

We have previously seen⁶ that the product of the reaction between SnCl₂ and IrCl(CO)($P(C_6H_5)_3$)₂ in benzene adds CO forming the complex $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)₂$ - $(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2$ that is more stable than the analogous IrCl $(CO)_2(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2$. We now wish to utilize the stabilizing property of the ligand $SnCl₃^-$ in order to obtain acetylene and ethylene complexes.

Experimental Section

Apparatus.--Ir spectra were recorded between 5000 and 400 cm-l with a Perkin-Elmer Model 125 spectrophotometer and between 400 and 200 cm $^{-1}$ with a Perkin-Elmer Model 225 spectrophotometer. Uv spectra (benzene solution) were determined with a Beckman Model DK2 spectrophotometer. The nmr spectra were recorded using a Perkin-Elmer Model R-10 spectrophotometer at 34° in CDCl₃ using tetramethylsilane as the internal reference.

Reagent.--Anhydrous stannous chloride was obtained by crystallizing from a mixture of acetic acid-acetic anhydride, washing with ether, and drying under vacuum at 100".

Solvents.-The solvents were dried with Na-K alloy and distilled in a nitrogen system.

 $Synthesis.$ (a) $IrCl(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)(SnCl_2) \cdot nC_6H_6$ (n = 3). -A 0.6151-mmol (0.48-g) sample of IrCl(CO)($P(C_6H_5)_8$)₂ and 0.7067 mmol (0.13 g) of SnCl₂ were allowed to react in 28 ml of benzene, in an inert atmosphere, at 35°. A green solution was obtained. This was then filtered after 10 min, in order to remove unreacted SnC12. Green needlelike crystals were obtained from the solution on cooling at 15°; after filtering and drying at 40° under vacuum 0.32 g of product was obtained.

(b) IrCl(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂(SnCl₂) $\cdot nC_6H_6$ ($n = 1$).--This was prepared in the same manner as described in part a, using onethird of the benzene; the adduct with 1 mol of solvent was obtained, with a yield of 83% .

(c) $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂(C₂H₂)₁...A 3.63-mmol (2.83$ g) sample of IrCl(CO)($P(C_6H_5)_3$)₂ and 4.54 mmol (0.86 g) of SnCl₂ were allowed to react in 170 ml of benzene, in an inert atmosphere, at 40'. Acetylene was bubbled into the solution, after it had been filtered and cooled at *5'.* After about 1 hr a pale yellow solution was obtained. To this solution 120 ml of heptane was added and a precipitate was formed. This precipitate was filtered and then washed with heptane and dried in acetylene atmosphere at room temperature. The yield of the dried product was 2.67 g.

(d) $Ir(SnCl_3)(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(C_2H_4)\cdot C_6H_6$. This complex was obtained in the same manner as described in part c, using ethylene instead of acetylene. A 2.12-mmol (1.65-g) sample of IrCl(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₂)₂ and 2.54 mmol (0.48 g) of SnCl₂ in 100 ml of benzene gave 1.99 g of the product desired.

See Table I for analytical data of the complexes prepared.

Determination of Acetylene and Ethylene in the Complexes.-Weighted quantities of IrCl(CO)($P(C_6H_5)_3$)₄ and SnCl₂ were introduced into a thermostatic apparatus, fitted with a gas buret and containing benzene previously saturated with acetylene (or ethylene). After the reaction had taken place, the volume of gas absorbed from the buret was read.

Determination of Benzene.--Into a known volume of hexane, under an inert atmosphere, a weighed quantity of sample was suspended, and the entire suspension was stirred. After 2 hr the sample was filtered and the amount of benzene in the solution was determined by uv spectroscopy.

Results **and** Discussion

Spectroscopic Section.—In the ir spectra of the complex $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂(C₂H₂)$ have been found the absorptions listed in Table 11. The band at 1988 cm⁻¹ (v_{CO}), in the solid sample spectra, has a shoulder at higher frequencies; this fact is attributed to crystallinity. In the spectra of the dissolved sample there is a single band. The medium band at 1652 cm^{-1} is significant because it shows the olefinic character of the C-C bond. This fact may be related to a complexation with σ -bond type. The nmr spectrum confirms this hypothesis; besides the peaks relating to aromatic hydrogens, it only shows a peak at *r* 5.40 assignable to olefinic hydrogens.

Many authors have described complexes of transition metals with acetylene derivatives $3,7$ showing the same lowering of the bond order.

In the complex we have obtained, the stabilizing action is not due to the electron-withdrawing substituents but to the π -acceptor character of the SnCl₃ligand.

The bands at 319 and at 300 cm^{-1} are attributed, respectively, to the unsymmetrical and symmetrical stretchings of the Sn-C1 bond. The frequencies are in agreement with those expected for the $SnCl₃-$ ligand.⁸

If the phosphines are in the *trans* position [we have found this steric arrangement by an nmr determination in the complex $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(PCH₃(C₆H₅)₂)₂$ - (C_2H_4) , the hexacoordinate structure can be attributed to the complex $Ir(SnCl_3)(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(C_2H_2)$

Table I1 shows the absorption of the ir spectra of the complexes $Ir(SnCl_3)(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(C_2H_4)$ and

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 $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂(C₂H₄) · C₆H₆. The ir spec$ trum of the benzene-solvated complex shows a *vco* at 1984 cm^{-1} with a shoulder at 1990 cm^{-1} ; if the benzene is withdrawn by washing with hexane (which does not dissolve the complex), that band is shifted to 1968 cm^{-1} . It is not thought that the shift is due to an isomerization (which would take place in the solid state) but to the benzene influencing the π -acceptor character of the ligand SnCl₃⁻. Both the solvated product and the washed product absorb at 1987 cm^{-1} in CHCl₃ solution.

In the ir spectrum ethylenic bond bands are not present; the nmr spectrum shows two broad signals, at τ 8.25 and at 9.1, due to aliphatic hydrogens. There are also the signals due to aromatic hydrogens. So it may be concluded that ethylene is bonded to iridium by two σ bonds.

In the ir spectrum of the complex washed with hexane, the antisymmetric and symmetric stretching frequencies of the Sn-C1 bond are at 318 and at 302 cm-l, respectively. These absorptions confirm the presence of the ligand $SnCl₃-$.

The analogous complex $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(PCH₃(C₆ H_5$)₂)₂(C₂H₄) has been prepared in order to determine the phosphine position. The nmr spectrum, showing a triplet centered at τ 7.56 due to the CH₃ of the phosphines (apparent J_{P-H} = 3.4 cps), suggests that the two phosphorus atoms are in the *trans* position.⁹ Two very broad signals are also present, centered at *r* 8.00 and 8.95, which confirms the disappearance of the olefinic character of the complexed ethylene. In the ir spectrum of the solid complex, *vco* is at 1975 cm^{-1} .

The hexacoordinated structure I1 can be now attributed to the complexes $Ir(SnCl₃)(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂$ (C_2H_4) and $Ir(SnCl_3)(CO)(PCH_3(C_6H_5)_2)(C_2H_4)$. Dur-

ing the course of the synthesis of the above-described complexes the intermediate product, stated as IrCl- $(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2)$, can be isolated, showing the significant ir absorptions listed in Table 11.

The X-ray determination shows that the complex is a monomer.1° Among the possible structures, the tetracoordinated one (111) does not agree with the

ir spectrum. The v_{CO} at 2017 cm⁻¹ is too high for a CO *trans* to the ligand SnCl₃⁻.

In the spectra of the Ir,¹¹ Pt,^{8a,b,12} and Rh⁸⁰ complexes, the ligand $SnCl₃-$ shows an Sn-Cl stretching band between 360 and 320 cm⁻¹. The complex IrCl- $(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2)$ does not absorb in this region of the spectrum.

A pentacoordinated structure agrees better with the spectroscopic data. In fact the absorption at 290 cm-l may be attributed to the antisymmetrical stretching $Sn-Cl$ band of the ligand $SnCl₂$ and the absorption at 266 cm^{-1} may be considered as the sum of the Sn-C1 symmetrical stretching and the Ir--CI stretching. This interpretation agrees with the ir spectrum of the complex $IrBr(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2$ - $(SnCl₂)$ which shows the v_{CO} in the same positions at 2018 cm^{-1} , the Sn-Cl antisymmetrical stretching at 288 cm^{-1} , and the second Sn-Cl band at 269 cm^{-1} clearly less strong than the corresponding one in the ir spectrum of IrCl(CO) $(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2)$.

The hexacoordinated structures IV and V are

inconsistent if the complex reactivity is considered or **if** the absence of bands ascribable to the Ir-C1 bond in a *trans* position to CO (about at 315 cm⁻¹) or to a chlorine atom (about 326 cm^{-1}) is taken into account.

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Therefore taking into account the spectroscopic data, a pentacoordinated structure may be suggested for the complexes $IrX(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2)$ (X = Cl, Br). The relative steric configuration may be either a tetragonal pyramid [like IrCl $(CO)(L)_{2}(SO_{2})$] or a trigonal bipyramid.

Chemical Section.-The complex $IrCl(CO)(P(C_6-))$ H5)3)2(SnC12) adds hydrogen, hydrocyanic acid, and halogen halides at room temperature, yielding stable products.¹⁸ The study of the chemical behavior of the complex $IrX(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2)$ (X = Cl, Br) toward the halogen hydrides gives some evidence for the pentacoordinated structure of the complex (now formulated taking into account the spectroscopic data only).

The complex IrHCl(SnCl₃)(CO)($P(C_6H_5)_3$)₂² is obtained by adding HCl to $IrCl(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2$ - $(SnCl₂)$ and also from IrHCl₂(CO)(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂ by an insertion reaction of SnClz into the Ir-C1 bond *trans* to the hydrogen

Analogous results are obtained by treating IrCl(C0)- $(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2)$ with HBr, or IrHBrCl(CO)(P(C₆- $(H₅)₃)₂$ with SnCl₂

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while the complex $IrBr(CO)(P(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2)$ reacts with HCl forming IrHClBr(CO)($P(C_6H_5)_3)_2$

The complex IrHClBr(CO)($P(C_6H_5)_3$)₂ does not add $SnCl₂$.

From these results it can be concluded that (a) the SnClz insertion in the Ir-C1 bond *trans* to CO is not possible under the operating conditions adopted and (b) the ligand $SnCl₂Br⁻$ is not obtained by the SnC12 insertion into the Ir-Br bond *trans* to hydrogen. These considerations exclude the possibility of obtaining a tetracoordinated complex by adding $SnCl₂$ to IrX(CO)(P(C_6H_5)₃)₂ (X = Cl, Br) and confirm the proposed pentacoordinated structure of the IrX(C0) (P- $(C_6H_5)_3)_2(SnCl_2).$

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The Reaction of Imides with Some Zerovalent Platinum and Palladium Complexes¹

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The reaction of some imides with **tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)platinum,** tetrakis(triphenylarsine)platinum, and tetrakis- (triphenylp1iosphine)palladium has been studied. With the platinum complexes, imide hydride complexes of the type $L_2Pt(H)(imide)$ have been prepared using succinimide, phthalimide, saccharin, and parabanic acid. The structure of these complexes was confirmed by ir spectra and also by the presence of a high-field line in the 'H nmr spectra. Tetrakis(tripheny1phosphine)palladium reacted with succinimide but a complex of stoichiometry **(P(C~H~)~)~Pd(succinimide)z** was formed rather than a hydride. Maleimide readily reacted with all three complexes to give compounds which still showed an X-H stretch in the ir spectrum and were of stoichiometry LsM (maleimide), with the imide coordinatcd **via** the olefinic double bond.

Transition metal hydrides have been prepared using strong reducing agents, such as sodium borohydride and hydrazine, 2 and by oxidative addition reactions.³ These latter reactions are usually carried out with strong mineral acids, and in the case of tetrakis(tripheny1 phosphine)platinum it was found that two types of

hydride were formed, depending on the coordinating ability of the anion. Weakly coordinating anions (X) gave ionic hydride complexes of the type [PtH- $(P(C_6H_5)_3)_3$ X, whereas ones with strong coordinating ability (\overline{Y}) gave covalent complexes, PtHY(P(C₆H₅)₃)₂.⁴

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