

### Spin Spin Interactions in Polymeric Copper(II) Complexes: $\text{Cu(II)(Piperidylcarbamate)}_2(\text{Cu(I)X})_4$ (X = Cl, Br)

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The reaction of copper(II) bis(N,N-dialkyldithiocarbamates) with copper(II) halides can lead to a variety of complexes containing copper(II) or copper(II) and copper(I) ions [1, 2]. Bis(piperidylthiocarbamate)copper(II),  $[\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2]$  reacts with copper(II) halides leading to a series of compounds containing both copper(II) and copper(I) ions of the form  $\text{Cu(II)(pipdte)}_2(\text{Cu(I)X})_n$  (X = Cl, Br, n = 4, 6) [1, 2]. X-ray crystal structures of the bromide complexes for n = 4, 6 show them to consist of polymeric sheets of the copper(II) bisdithiocarbamate complex linked through Cu(I)Br chains, each copper(II) ion being bridged to four copper(I) ions by the dithiocarbamate sulphur atoms [1], Fig. 1. The analogous chloride complex  $\text{Cu(II)(pipdte)}_2(\text{CuCl})_4$  is isostructural with the corresponding bromide compound.

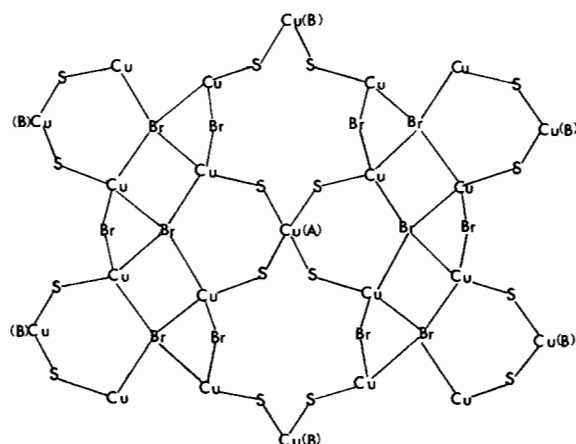


Fig. 1. Partial structure of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_4$  showing linkages from central copper(II) ion(A) to other copper(II) ions (B) joined by five atom bridges-S-Cu(I)-Cl-Cu(I)-S-linkages showing only copper, bromide and sulphur atoms.

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These complexes provide an opportunity to compare interactions between copper(II) ions in a two dimensional sheet structure with varying numbers of bridging links and varying bridging halides. Magnetic susceptibilities in the temperature range 4.2 K to 300 K have been measured to investigate the exchange interactions within these two dimensional sheet complexes.

### Experimental

Magnetic susceptibilities of the compounds were measured using a modified Oxford Instruments Faraday balance described elsewhere [3]. Corrections for the diamagnetism of the ligands and metal ions were made using Pascal's constants [4]. Samples of the complexes  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_4$  and  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_6$  were those previously reported [1]. The complex  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_4$  was obtained by a modification<sup>†</sup> of the published method [1] in which the ratio of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2$  to copper(II) halide ratio was reduced from 20:1 down to 2:1. *Anal.* Calc. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{S}_4\text{Cu}_5\text{Cl}_4$ : C, 18.47%; H, 2.58%; N, 3.59%; S, 16.44%; Cu, 40.77%; Cl, 18.60%. Found for  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_4$ : C, 18.55%; H, 2.67%; N, 3.29%; S, 16.16%; Cu, 40.71%; Cl, 18.74%. The C-N and C-S stretching frequencies were found at  $1520\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $955\text{ cm}^{-1}$  as reported previously [1].

### Results and Discussion

The magnetic susceptibility of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_4$  in the temperature range 4.2 K to 300 K passes through a broad maximum at ca. 115 K then increases rapidly at lower temperatures, Fig. 2. In contrast the susceptibility of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_4$  passes through a maximum at a 60 K and then increases rapidly at lower temperatures whilst  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_6$  has a broad maximum at ca. 250 K. The increase in susceptibility at low temperatures is due to a small amount of paramagnetic impurity [5]. It was not possible to recrystallise these complexes once prepared and it is likely that small amounts of sparingly soluble  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2$  crystallise in the initial preparation of these complexes.

<sup>†</sup>The preparation of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_4$  attempted as described in reference 2 to a complex which on analysis had a formulation  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_2$ . Calculated for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{S}_4\text{Cu}_3\text{Cl}_2$ : C, 12.18%; H, 3.46%; N, 4.81%; S, 22.03%; Cu, 32.75%; Cl, 12.18%. Found for  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_2$ : C, 12.40%; H, 3.54%; N, 5.22%; S, 22.07%; Cu, 32.68%; Cl, 12.40%. The structure of this complex is at present unknown.

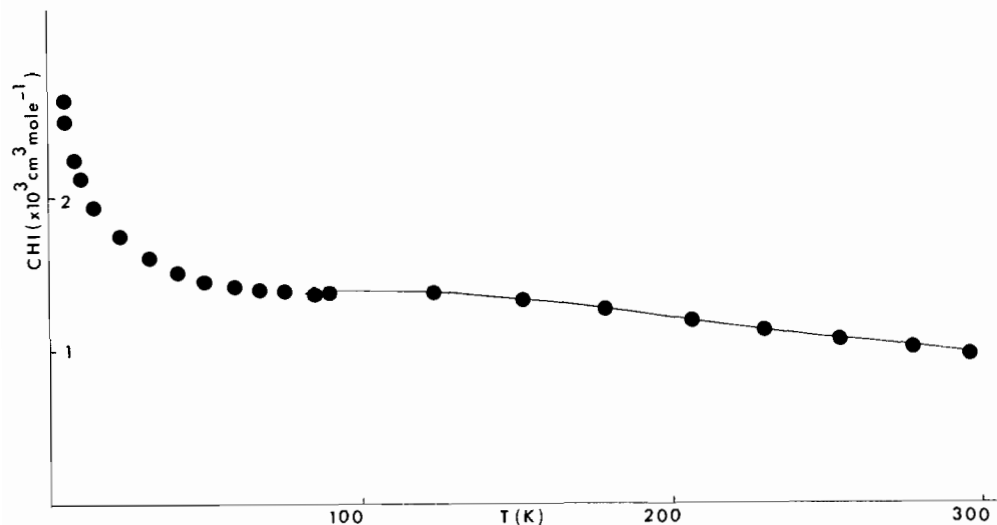


Fig. 2(a). Magnetic susceptibility ( $\chi \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mole}$ ) of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_4$  against temperature ( $\blacktriangle$ ). Calculated curve for  $g = 2.05$ ,  $J = 51 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $N_{\alpha} = 40 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^3/\text{mole}$  is shown by the full line to be compared with the experimental data ( $\bullet$ ) corrected for paramagnetic impurity,  $x = 0.03$ .

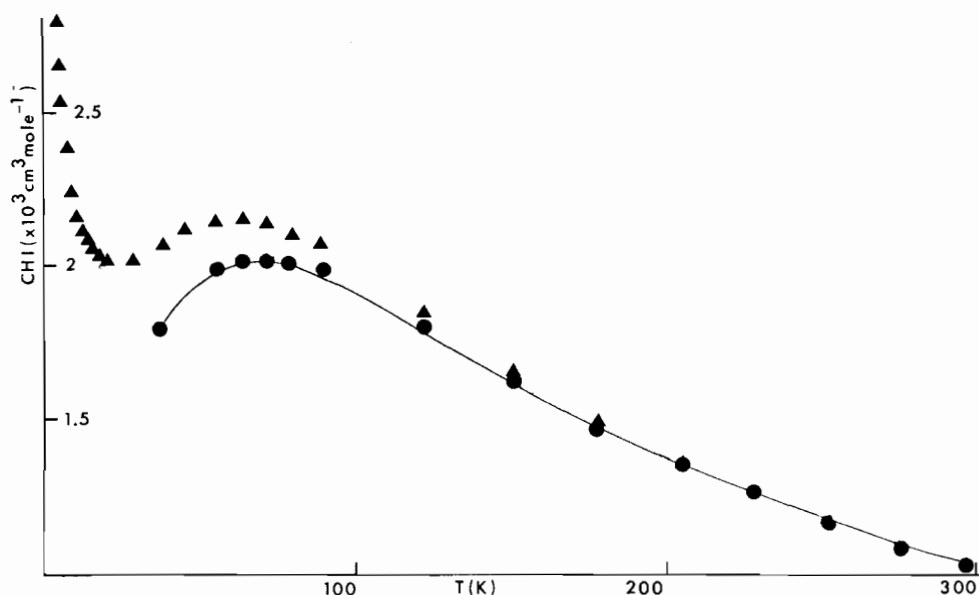


Fig. 2(b). Magnetic susceptibility ( $\chi \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^3/\text{mole}$ ) of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_4$  against temperature ( $\bullet$ ). Calculated curve for  $g = 2.1$ ,  $J = 83 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $N_{\alpha} = 40 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^3/\text{mole}$ ,  $x = 0.014$  is shown by the full line.

The sheet structure of these complexes suggests that their magnetic behaviour may be explained by the properties of a Heisenberg quadratic layer antiferromagnet [6, 7]. In the case of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_4$  the magnetic susceptibility was fitted, using a nonlinear least squares method, to an expression given by Lines [8] for the susceptibility of a quadratic layer antiferromagnet where  $g$  is

$$\chi = Ng^2\beta^2/FxJ \quad (1)$$

$$F = 3\theta + \sum_{i=1}^6 C_n/n^{i-1}, \theta = kT/JS(S+1), S = \frac{1}{2}$$

the Zeeman splitting factor and  $J$  the isotropic exchange parameter for the Heisenberg isotropic exchange interaction  $JS_1 \cdot S_2$ . The amount of paramagnetic impurity was estimated to be 3.0% (assuming  $g = 2.05$ ) [5]. The fitting procedure was used only in the region where the above expansion is valid namely at temperatures greater than  $kT \approx 0.9 JS(S+1) \approx 50 \text{ K}$  [8]. Good agreement was achieved ( $g =$

2.05,  $J = +51 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) Fig. 2(a), for fits to the experimental data corrected for a Curie Law impurity with  $g = 2.05$ .

In contrast it was found more difficult to estimate the amount of paramagnetic impurity in  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2 \cdot (\text{CuCl})_4$  as in the region where reasonable estimates could be made the theoretical expression for the Heisenberg sheet was not accurate. From the position of the maximum in the susceptibility curve an estimate of  $J$  was made using the formula of Lines  $kT_{\text{max}}/J = 1.12 S(S + 1) + 0.1$  and found to be  $85 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Figure 2(b) shows a calculated curve obtained by a least square fit of the experimental data above 80 K to expression (1) including a Curie Law paramagnetic impurity  $\chi = x\chi_{\text{impurity}} + (1 - x)\chi_{\text{Heis.Sheet}}$  using  $g$  and  $J$  as variable parameters. An initial estimate of the Curie Law impurity was made from the difference between the calculated and observed values of  $\chi$  at the lowest temperature where the expression (1) was valid and the previously estimated value of  $J$ . The amount of impurity was estimated by systematically varying  $x$  and performing least squares fits to the data in the region of validity of expression (1) and found to be  $1.4\% \pm 0.1$  whilst the final values of  $g$  and  $J$  were 2.1 and  $83 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  respectively. The value of  $g$  was found to be higher than that found for the analogous bromide complex and other copper(II) bisdiakylthiocarbamate complexes [11], where  $g = 2.05 \pm 0.01$ .

It was not possible to use either of the above procedures to account for the observed susceptibility of  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_6$  and only an estimate of  $J$  could be made *ca.*  $184 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , significantly larger than the  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuX})_4$  complexes.

The magnitude of the antiferromagnetic exchange interactions ( $75 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $51 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $185 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_4$ ,  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_4$  and  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_6$  respectively) is unexpected in view of the large distance and multiple atom bridges of the type  $\text{Cu}(\text{II})\text{--S--Cu}(\text{I})\text{--X--Cu}(\text{I})\text{--S--Cu}(\text{II})$ . The magnitudes should be compared with interactions of other typical binuclear and polynuclear copper(II) complexes with sulphur or halide bridges such as the bis(diethylthiocarbamate)copper(II) dimer ( $J = 0$ ) [10], the bis(di-n-butylthiocarbamate) copper(II) dimer ( $J = 24 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) [13] the sulphur bridged dimer dichloro(1H<sup>+</sup>thiocarbonohydrazidium NS) copper(II) chloride ( $J = 25 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) [12] and the large number of halide bridged copper(II) complexes where antiferromagnetic interactions range from 4 to  $20 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for chloride and 20 to  $40 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for chloride complexes [13, 14]. Further many multiatom bridged copper(II) complexes show diminished magnitudes of interaction compared with monatomic bridges [15].

The size of the interaction appears to be a combination of the large number of bridges between any two copper(II) ions (four for  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuX})_4$ ), leading to a multiplicity of exchange pathways, and

the presence of mixed valence copper ions bridged by dithiocarbamate sulphur atoms. Although formally these complexes are type I mixed valence compounds [16] as judged by the differing geometry around the copper(II) and copper(I) ions [1] and the similarity of the  $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$  ( $\text{pipdte})_2$  geometry to that of other copper(II) dithiocarbamates [17], it is possible that they are of type II with some delocalisation of the unpaired electron from the copper(II) to the copper(I) sites. In the case of copper(II) bisdithiocarbamates there is extensive delocalisation of the unpaired electron onto the dithiocarbamate sulphur ligands [18], the principle components of the HOMO being  $0.72 d_{x^2-y^2} + 0.38 p_x - 0.37 p_y$  [18], to facilitate this process.

The extent of type II mixed valence behaviour will depend on the relative energies of the metal 'd orbitals' of each copper(II) site which is determined by the metal ligand interactions [16]. The greater interaction found in the chloride complex  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuCl})_4$  compared to the analogous bromide may reflect a large mixed valence interaction particularly as the efficiency of superexchange mechanisms involving bromide ligands is in general greater than that of chloride. The increase in interaction in  $\text{Cu}(\text{pipdte})_2(\text{CuBr})_6$  may be related to the larger number of links between copper(II) ions.

In conclusion these complexes show that the occurrence of mixed valence metals in extended superexchange pathways of the form  $\text{Cu}(\text{II})\text{--S--Cu}(\text{I})\text{--X--Cu}(\text{I})\text{--S--Cu}(\text{II})$  can lead enhanced exchange interactions between the paramagnetic ions.

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