

Bonding Properties of *Trans*-PtCl₂XY and *Trans*-PtBr₂XY (X = C₂H₄, CO; Y = 4R-Py). III. ¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectra.

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The ¹³C NMR chemical shifts of *tr*-PtCl₂X(Py) (X = C₂H₄, CO) and of a series of 4-substituted pyridine derivatives were studied. Because of a linear correlation between the ¹³C chemical shifts of the 4-substituted pyridine ligands and both the corresponding benzenes and the *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(4R-Py) complexes similar shielding mechanisms are suggested for these three classes of compounds. The ¹³C shifts of the C-2 atom of the 4R-pyridine ligand in the complexes can be correlated with a CT transition from the platinum to the 4R-pyridine ligand. A relationship has been found between the ¹³C chemical shifts of coordinated C₂H₄ and the Hammett σ_p parameter of the 4R-pyridine group and an explanation is given for the observed high upfield shift of the C₂H₄ group in the complex. The ¹³C NMR spectra of the carbonyl compounds show the carbonyl resonance only with ¹³C-enriched CO. It is shifted about 30 ppm upfield with respect to free CO. This has been ascribed to anisotropy in the paramagnetic susceptibility of the platinum.

Introduction

The effect of variation of R on the properties of the above complexes has been studied by IR, Raman¹, UV² and ¹H NMR^{3,4} spectroscopy. The vibrational spectra¹ showed that ν(C=C) of the ethylene and the Pt-ethylene vibrations are not dependent on the nature of R, but that only ν(Pt-N) varies with R. The UV spectra² possess a charge transfer absorption band which depends on the nature of R. The ¹H spectra^{3,4} showed a small influence of R on the ethylene resonances.

In order to study the effect of substitution at the 4-position in the pyridine ring, we have recorded ¹³C NMR spectra which exhibit considerably greater sensitivity to changes in bonding than do ¹H NMR spectra.

In this report we attempt to explain the ¹³C NMR spectra of these complexes.

Experimental

The compounds *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(4R-Py) were prepared by standard methods⁴. The *tr*-PtCl₂(CO)(4R-Py) complexes were synthesized from their corresponding ethylene analogues⁵. See ref. 1 for analytical data.

¹H NMR spectra were obtained in CDCl₃ solution on a Varian HA 100 NMR spectrometer.

¹³C NMR spectra for the ligands and the ethylene complexes were recorded in CH₂Cl₂ at 25.2 MHz on a Varian XL-100 Fourier Transform spectrometer with proton decoupling. A micro insert tube with D₂O was used as an external field-frequency lock.

¹³C NMR spectra of the carbonyl complexes were measured in CDCl₃ at 20 MHz on a Varian CFT-20 spectrometer. In three compounds we used enriched ¹³CO in order to observe the carbonyl signal.

¹³C chemical shifts were measured relative to the internal solvent resonances and are reported in ppm downfield from TMS using the following conversions:

$$\delta_{\text{TMS}} = \delta_{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2} - 54.0 \text{ ppm}; \delta_{\text{TMS}} = \delta_{\text{CDCl}_3} - 77.2 \text{ ppm.}$$

All shifts were found to be reproducible to within ± 2 ppm. The solubility of the complexes was small. Thus, for most compounds 25,000 pulses (AT = .8 sec and PD = .8 sec) were necessary to give reasonable spectra.

The spectra of some *tr*-PtCl₂(CO)(4R-Py) complexes were recorded at -10°C, because the compounds decomposed during pulsing at normal probe temperature.

Results and Discussion

In Tables I and II, the ¹H and ¹³C NMR results for the *tr*-PtCl₂X(4R-Py) (X = C₂H₄, CO) complexes are compiled. In Table III the ¹³C NMR shifts of the 4R-pyridines are compared with the shifts of the analogous benzene derivatives. Our data and assignments for compounds which have been previously reported are in agreement with the literature^{4,6}. A proton decoupled ¹³C spectrum is shown in Figure 1.

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TABLE I. ^1H NMR Chemical Shifts for $tr\text{-PtCl}_2(\text{X})(4\text{R-Py})$ with $\text{X} = \text{C}_2\text{H}_4, \text{CO}$. Only the values for protons in the pyridine ring and ethylene are given.^a

R	NH ₂	CH ₃	CH ₂ CH ₃	CH ₂ OH	H	Cl	Br	COOH	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	COCH ₃	CN
X = C ₂ H ₄											
H ₂	8.47	8.75	8.77	8.81	8.95	8.89	8.82	9.18	9.10	9.13	9.20
H ₃	6.56	7.31	7.32	7.46	7.57	7.51	7.71	8.12	8.06	7.93	7.78
H _{C₂H₄}	4.79	4.86	4.85	4.87	4.92	4.89	4.93	4.99	4.95	4.94	4.97
X = CO											
H ₂		8.57			8.77	8.74	8.63				9.06
H ₃		7.32			7.57	7.55	7.71				7.78

^a NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ relative to an internal TMS standard.

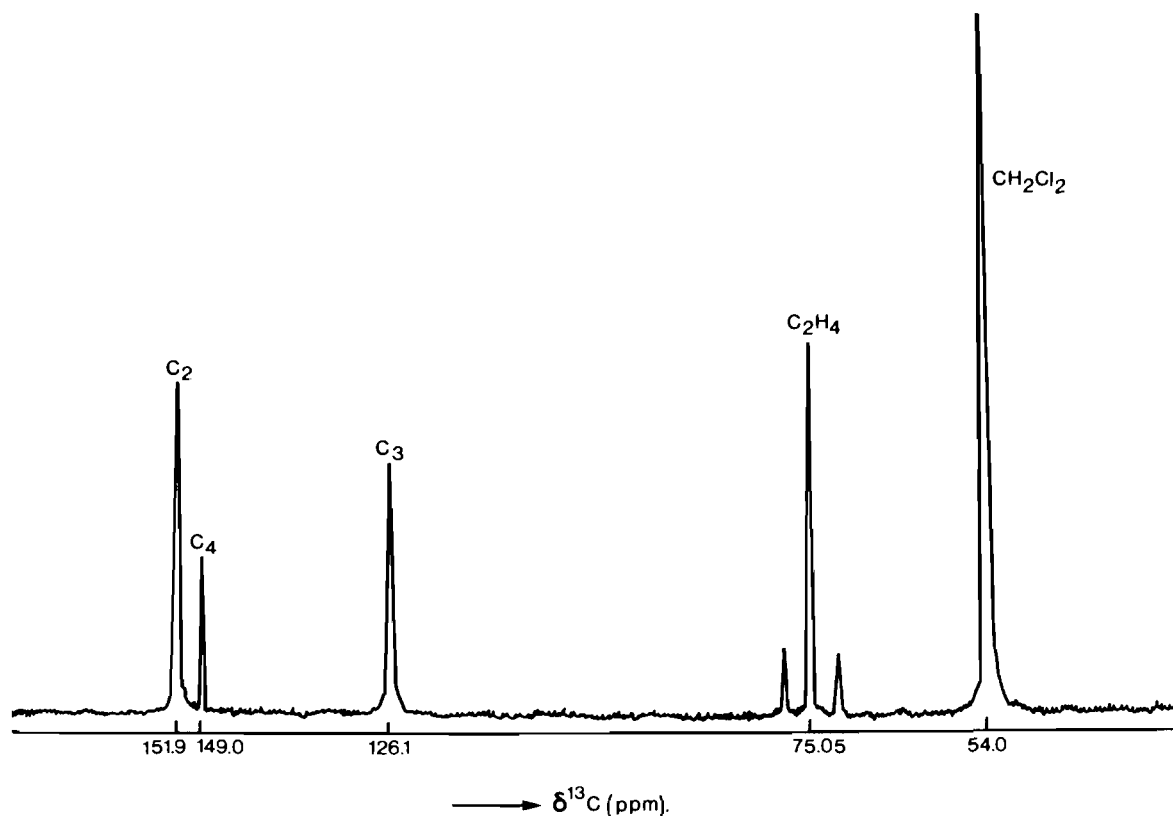


Figure 1. The ^1H -decoupled Fourier transform pulsed ^{13}C spectrum of $tr\text{-PtCl}_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)(4\text{Cl-Py})$ in CH_2Cl_2 solution (32,000 scans, 8 sec pulse delay).

The ^{13}C NMR results of Tables II and III are plotted against each other in Figures 2 and 3 for positions 3 and 4 respectively in the pyridine ring.

It is clear from Table III that variation of R from electron releasing (NH_2) to electron withdrawing (CN) at the 4-position of the pyridine ring mainly influences the ^{13}C shift of C-4 (about 30 ppm). The chemical shift for C-2 is almost totally insensitive to this variation.

Figures 2 and 3 show good linear correlations between the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ shifts of the 4R-pyridines and their benzene analogues. The parameters derived from a linear regression analysis of these data are summarized in the following equations:

$$\delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-4}_{\text{benz}}) = +.95 \delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-4}_{\text{Py}}) - .72 \text{ (st.dev. 1.92)}$$

$$\delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-3}_{\text{benz}}) = +.97 \delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-3}_{\text{Py}}) + 9.74 \text{ (st.dev. 1.28)}$$

TABLE II. ¹³C NMR Chemical Shifts for *tr*-PtCl₂(X)(4R-Py) for X = C₂H₄, CO.^a

R	NH ₂	CH ₃	CH ₂ CH ₃	CH ₂ OH	H	Cl	Br	COOH	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	COCH ₃	CN
X = C ₂ H ₄											
C-2	150.7	150.4	150.6	150.8	151.3	151.9	151.6	152.3	152.1	152.5	152.5
C-3	109.7	126.3	125.1	122.4	125.7	126.1	129.2	125.3	124.9	123.3	127.7
C-4	(156) ^b	153.2	158.7	155.7	140.4	149.0	138.0	140.5	141.2	145.3	124.5
C ₂ H ₄	73.8	74.9	75.0	75.2	75.3	75.05	75.15	75.8	75.6	75.7	75.9
X = CO											
C-2		149.9			150.9 ^c	151.5	151.2				152.3 ^c
C-3		126.6			125.9	126.5	129.6				128.0
C-4		153.7			140.9	149.9	139.1				125.0
σ _p	-0.660	-0.170	-0.151	+0.10	0.000	+0.227	+0.232	+0.450	+0.450	+0.502	+0.660

^a The chemical shift of free ethylene is 122.8 ppm (ref 25 p. 70). σ_p is the Hammett σ_p parameter²³. NMR spectra of the C₂H₄ complexes were recorded in CH₂Cl₂; the CO complexes were recorded in dry CDCl₃. They are reported relative to TMS, using δ_{TMS} = δ_{CH₂Cl₂} - 54.0 ppm and δ_{TMS} = δ_{CDCl₃} - 77.2 ppm. ^b Chemical shift not reliable. ^c Spectra of the CO compounds at -10° C.

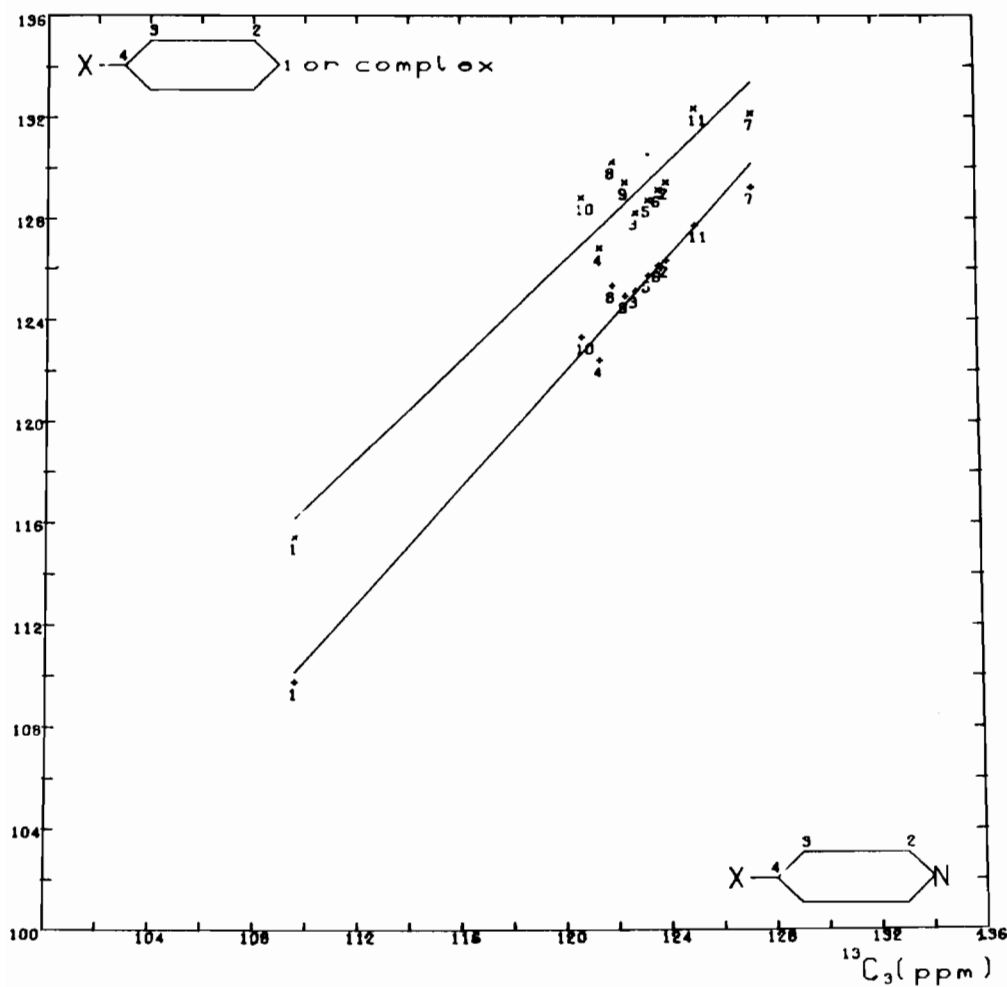


Figure 2. Plots of δ¹³C for 4R-Py versus δ¹³C for the analogous benzenes (denoted by x) or versus δ¹³C for *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(4R-Py) (denoted by +) for position 3 in the pyridine ring. The numbering scheme is given in Table III.

TABLE III. ^{13}C NMR Chemical Shifts for the 4R-Pyridines and Analogous Benzene Derivatives.^a

R	4R-Pyridines			R-C ₆ H ₅ ^c		
	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-2	C-3	C-4
1. NH ₂	150.2	109.6	153.0	129.6	115.4	146.7
2. CH ₃	149.1	124.0	146.1	128.6	129.4	137.6
3. CH ₂ CH ₃	149.4	122.8	152.1	128.7 ^d	128.2	144.4
4. CH ₂ OH	149.0	121.4	152.2	128.2 ^e	126.8	140.8
5. H	149.5	123.3	135.3	128.7	128.7	128.7
6. Cl	150.6	123.7	143.3	130.0	129.1	134.9
7. Br	151.1	127.3	132.7	130.4	132.1	123.2
8. COOH ^b	149.6	121.9	137.3	128.7	130.2	130.8
9. CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	150.4	122.4	137.3	128.2 ^d	129.4	130.3
10. COCH ₃	150.3	120.7	142.1	128.7	128.8	137.8
11. CN	150.4	125.1	119.9	129.3	132.3	113.3

^a NMR spectra of 4R-Py were recorded in CH₂Cl₂ and are relative to TMS, using $\delta_{\text{TMS}} = \delta_{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2} - 54.0$ ppm.

^b in DMSO solution. ^c Values from G. L. Nelson, G. C. Levy and J. D. Cargioli, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **94**, 3089 (1972).

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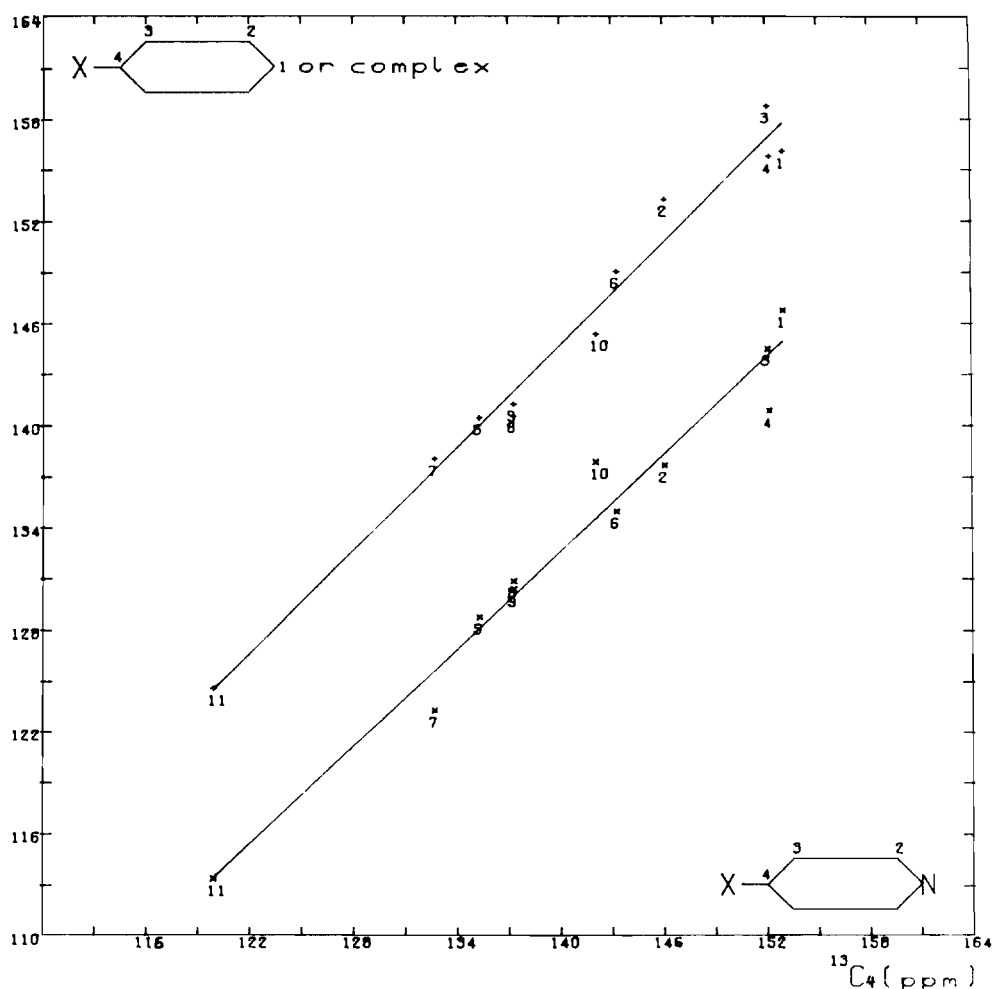


Figure 3. Analogous to Figure 2, for position 4 in the pyridine ring.

The same relationships exist between the 4R-pyridines and the corresponding complexes (Figures 2 and 3), which are summarized in the following equations:

$$\delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-4}_{\text{compl}}) = +1.00 \delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-4}_{\text{py}}) - 4.16 \quad (\text{st.dev. } 1.50)$$

$$\delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-3}_{\text{compl}}) = +1.13 \delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C-3}_{\text{py}}) - 13.97 \quad (\text{st.dev. } .69)$$

The slope of about one in the plot implies that the effect of the substituent on the pyridine ring is about the same as for the benzene analogue, and that there is no significant change in the transmission of the substituent effects upon complexation⁷.

The effect of complexation is the downfield shift of the pyridine ring and the upfield shift of the ethylene group (about 47 ppm, Tables II and III) for the ethylene complexes. This has also been concluded from the ¹H NMR spectra^{3,4}. In the following sections we first discuss the *trans*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(Py) complex, and subsequently the effect of R and the effects of substituting Cl by Br and C₂H₄ by CO on the ¹³C shifts.

A. ¹³C Chemical Shifts for *trans*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(pyridine)

According to Saika and Slichter⁸ the shielding constant σ may be considered to be the sum of three terms: local diamagnetic (σ_d), local paramagnetic (σ_p) contributions and contributions due to electron circulation in remote orbitals (σ'), which latter can be divided into a diamagnetic part (σ'_d) and a paramagnetic part (σ'_p):

$$\sigma = \sigma_d + \sigma_p + \sigma'_d + \sigma'_p \quad (1)$$

It should be borne in mind that this separation into quite distinct terms is largely artificial and has meaning only in the context of calculations such as used here. The only physically real term, which is a constant using a gauge invariant set of atomic orbitals⁹, is the total screening constant σ .

Although ¹³C chemical shifts in organic molecules are primarily determined by changes in σ_p ¹⁰, σ' might be of importance here because of the large number of platinum electrons (σ'_d) and of the anisotropy in the magnetic susceptibility of the incompletely filled *d* orbitals of platinum (σ'_p). However in the following we shall see that the contribution of σ'_p is very small.

Buckingham and Stephens¹¹ have explained the anomalously high field proton shifts in square *trans*-PtH(X)(PEt₃)₂ complexes by the anisotropy in the magnetic susceptibility of the platinum atom. They predicted downfield shifts for protons lying above or below the square plane.

The anisotropy in the paramagnetic contribution is caused by the different orientations of the complex in the applied magnetic field, H₀, which give rise to differing susceptibilities χ_i along the molecular axis¹² (Figure 4).

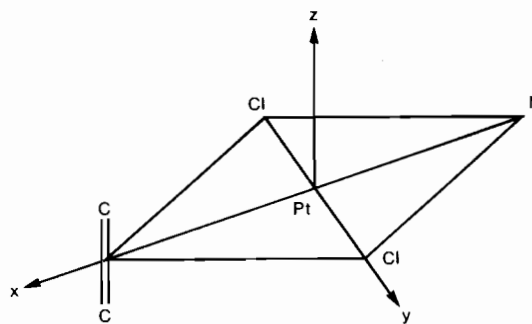


Figure 4. The molecular axes of *trans*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(4R-Py). The xy-plane is the platinum square plane.

The mean contribution to the shielding constant σ is obtained by averaging over the three orientations of H₀ along the molecular axes.

$$\sigma_p' = 1/3 (R^{-3}) \sum_i \chi_i (1 - 3 \cos^2 \theta_i) \quad (2)$$

where R is the Pt-C or Pt-H distance and θ_i is the angle between the Pt-C or Pt-H line and the *i*-th direction, when H₀ is in the *i*-th direction¹³. In the following a rough calculation is made of the contribution of σ_p' to the proton and carbon shifts in *trans*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(pyridine) with distances taken from two crystal structures¹⁵ (Figure 5).

However, we did not succeed in determining the C-H distances, but used the C-H distances for free C₂H₄ (1.06 Å) and for free pyridine (1.08 Å), which we consider justified because the C-N and C-C distances of the pyridine rings in the complexes are almost the same as for the free ligands.

The Pt-H_{eth}, the Pt-H_{py} and the Pt-C_{py} distances have been calculated with the help of the known distances and angles. The resulting angles for θ_x between the x-axis and the Pt-C_{eth}, Pt-H_{eth}, Pt-C_{py} and Pt-H_{py} lines are 18°, 37°, 23° and 44° respectively. The same for θ_y : 90°, 70°, 90° and 90° respectively and for θ_z : 72°, 60°, 67° and 46° respectively. Using these values in eq. 2, we obtain the following contributions to σ :

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{PC}_{\text{eth}}} &' = -.057\chi_x + .033\chi_y + .024\chi_z \\ \sigma_{\text{PC}_{\text{py}}} &' = -.019\chi_x + .012\chi_y + .007\chi_z \\ \sigma_{\text{PH}_{\text{eth}}} &' = -.018\chi_x + .013\chi_y + .005\chi_z \\ \sigma_{\text{PH}_{\text{py}}} &' = -.007\chi_x + .012\chi_y - .005\chi_z \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

However, in *trans*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(pyridine) constrained rotation about the x-axis will be operative for the ethylene¹⁴ and the pyridine ligands. Thus, the coefficients of χ_y and χ_z in eq. 2 will each vanish and the remaining contribution will deshield the atoms in question.

According to Ballhausen¹⁶ the value of χ is small, because it is proportional to 1/ ΔE , where ΔE represents the energies of ligand field transitions, which occur for this complex in the UV region. Thus, σ_p'

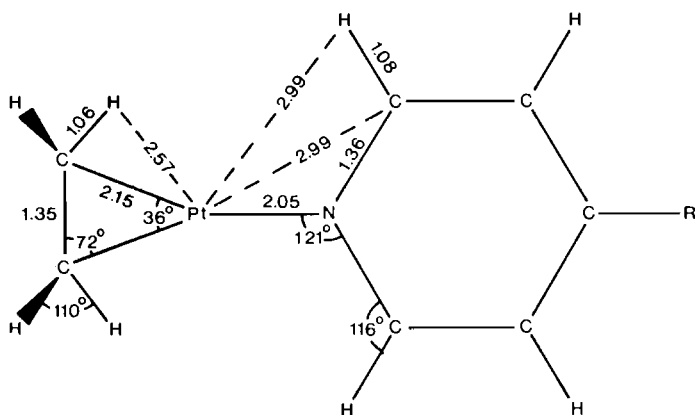


Figure 5. Distances and angles for that part of the *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(4R-Py) complex which is important for calculation of the platinum paramagnetic contribution to the shielding constant.

causes only slight changes in shifts for all these atoms and the ¹³C chemical shifts in these complexes will be mainly determined by σ_d' and σ_p . Flygare and Goodman¹⁷ have suggested a simple formula for estimating this contribution:

$$\sigma_d' = \frac{e^2}{3mc^2} \sum_{\alpha} \frac{Z_{\alpha}}{r_{\alpha}} \quad (4)$$

where α runs over all nuclei except the ethylene carbon nucleus, Z_{α} is the atomic number of the α th nucleus and r_{α} is the distance from the carbon nucleus to the α th nucleus. Calculation of the value of σ_d' , due to the platinum nucleus results in a large upfield shift of about 340 ppm. Thus, σ_d' is an important contribution to the total shielding constant σ in transition metal complexes. The observed upfield shift is 47.5 ppm, in agreement with the results for other metal-olefin complexes^{18,19}.

Thus, the large σ_d' term must be partly opposed by the local paramagnetic term σ_p .

The formula for the local paramagnetic contribution¹⁰ is:

$$\sigma_p = -\text{const.} \frac{\langle r^{-3} \rangle_{2p}}{\Delta E} (Q_{AA} + \sum_{A \neq B} Q_{AB}) \quad (5)$$

Here ΔE is the average excitation energy, $\langle r^{-3} \rangle_{2p}$ is the mean inverse cube radius for a carbon 2p orbital, Q_{AA} is related to the electron density on carbon A and Q_{AB} is connected with the multiple bond character between A and B. Q_{AA} does not change much with excess charge densities¹⁰. It is a difficult task to describe the changes in the different terms in eq. 5, when ethylene is coordinated to the platinum, because the bond between platinum and ethylene is not a simple one, but consists of a σ - and a π -bond¹. However, from the total shift of 47.5 ppm it follows that the paramagnetic effect is a downfield shift of about 290 ppm, which indicates that the contribution of the ring current, which is possible in the three-ring structure of the

platinum and the ethylene carbon atoms, may be important here. The shielding in the pyridine ring will also be mainly determined by σ_p and σ_d' .

The contribution of σ_d' (eq. 4) in this case is about 240 ppm for the 2-position in the pyridine ring.

The pyridine ring shows a small downfield shift on complexation. Thus, the paramagnetic term σ_p will largely negate σ_d' . The decrease in the paramagnetic contribution of the nitrogen lone pair²⁰, when it is used in the σ -bond between platinum and pyridine will also contribute to the shielding of the C-2 in the pyridine ring.

B. The Effect of Variation of R in the Pyridine Ring

The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (Tables I and II) show a downfield shift on varying R from NH₂ to CN for the ethylene atoms and for the 2-position in the pyridine ring.

In section A we have seen that the shifts are mainly determined by σ_p and σ_d' . However, the σ_d' contribution will not change much in this series of complexes, so that the shift differences recorded on variation of R will be mainly due to changes in the σ_p term (eq. 5). Factors contributing to σ_p are ΔE , Q_{AB} and $\langle r^{-3} \rangle_{2p}$. All low energy transitions can contribute to the factor ΔE if they are rotationally allowed²¹.

In the UV spectra² the lowest absorption bands belong to charge transfer transitions from platinum to 4R-pyridine. These transitions from Pt(*5d_{xy}*) to pyridine π^* orbitals are rotationally allowed, since the pyridine ligands rotate in the complexes. They will therefore contribute to the σ_p of the pyridine atoms, mainly to σ_p for the 2-position in the ring. Variation of R from NH₂ to CN in the pyridine group causes a lowering of ΔE and this effect is reflected in a corresponding downfield shift of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ for C-2 in 4R-pyridine.

Further proof for the importance of the contribution of ΔE to σ_p comes from a comparison of the chemical

shifts of C-2 in *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(pyridine) and *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(2,4,6-trimethylpyridine).

The 2,4,6-trimethylpyridine ligand cannot rotate in the latter complex because of steric hindrance²² and is perpendicular to the square plane. The $5d_{xy} \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition is therefore rotationally forbidden in this configuration and we expect a smaller downfield shift for this complex with respect to the free ligand than the difference recorded for pyridine and its complex. In fact we find a downfield shift of 0.8 ppm for C-2 in *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(2,4,6-trimethylpyridine) complex relative to the free ligand, compared with 1.8 ppm for the pyridine complex.

Variation of R has much less influence on the shifts of ethylene (Table IV).

Of course we do not expect that the factors which change σ_p of the pyridine atoms by variation of R will influence the shifts of ethylene as much. However, contrary to the results from the vibrational spectra, which do not show any change of the strength of the

Pt-C₂H₄ bond on variation of R, the ¹³C shifts of ethylene show a slight dependence on R.

In fact, a linear correlation is found between the ¹³C shifts of ethylene and the Hammett σ_p ²³ parameter of the pyridine ligand (Figure 6).

The change in σ_p , related to a change in Q_{AB} (eq. 5) may be estimated in the following way:

Powell²⁴ has stated that the summed percentage lowering of the coupled $\nu(C=C)$ and $\delta(C-H)$ frequencies gives a rough estimate of the decrease in double bond character of the olefin. In our series of complexes these frequencies are shifted from 1623 and 1343 cm⁻¹ for all complexes to 1524 and 1256 cm⁻¹ respectively¹. This gives a constant lowering of 12.5%. Thus the bond order of the C=C bond and consequently the Q_{AB} term in σ_p hardly changes on variation of R. Therefore, the observed shift differences between the complexes can be mainly explained by variation in the ΔE and $\langle r^{-3} \rangle_{2p}$ terms.

TABLE IV. Influence of Variation of R on ¹³C NMR Shifts of Ethylene and Pyridine (C-2) in *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(4R-Py). Values are related to *tr*-PtCl₂(C₂H₄)(Py)^a.

R	NH ₂	CH ₃	CH ₂ CH ₃	CH ₂ OH	H	Cl	Br	COOH	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	COCH ₃	CN
$\Delta\delta^1\text{H}_{\text{C}_2\text{H}_4}$	-13	-06	-07	-05	-	-03	+01	+07	+03	+02	+05
$\Delta\delta^1\text{H}_{\text{Py}}$	-48	-20	-18	-14	-	-06	-13	+23	+15	+18	+25
$\Delta\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{C}_2\text{H}_4}$	-1.5	-4	-3	-1	-	-2.5	-1.5	+5	+3	+4	+6
$\Delta\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{C-2}}$	-7	-9	-7	-5	-	+6	+3	+1.0	+8	+1.2	+1.2
ΔE^b	32.520	32.150	32.340	32.120	32.030	31.850	31.750	30.940	31.700	30.940	30.960

^a Upfield shifts are indicated by -. Downfield shifts are indicated by +. ^b ΔE is the charge transfer energy in cm⁻¹.

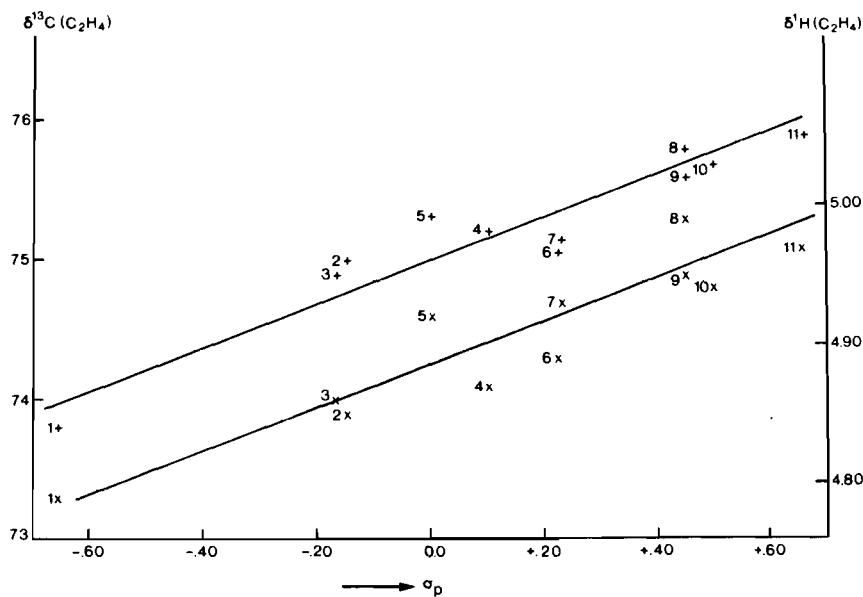


Figure 6. Plots of $\delta^{13}\text{C}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)$ (denoted by +) and $\delta^1\text{H}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)$ (denoted by x) versus Hammett σ_p parameter²³ (Table II). σ_p for R = CH₂OH is taken from ref. 5.

C. The Effect of Substituting Cl by Br

In order to study the *cis*-effect, we replaced Cl by Br. The vibrational spectra¹ showed hardly any influence of this change on the $\nu(\text{C}=\text{C})$ and the $\nu(\text{Pt}-\text{C}_2)$ vibrations, but there is some effect in the NMR spectra (Table V).

Most significant in this table is the downfield proton shift and the upfield ¹³C shift in ethylene, when Cl is replaced by Br.

In agreement with Stothers²⁵, we explain this effect by a sterically induced polarization of the C–H bond in ethylene by the Br atom.

A corresponding influence on the C–H bond at the 2-position in the pyridine ring would be expected. However, an irregular change in proton shifts is found and a downfield shift of about 1 ppm for the carbon-13 shift at this position while the shifts of the rest of the ring are almost invariant (Table V). Looking at the UV spectra of the Br complexes², we notice a shift of 500 cm⁻¹ to lower frequency of the CT transition giving rise to a downfield shift contribution to σ . This effect should compete with the sterically induced polarization and may cause the observed downfield shift. On the other hand, the shifts in ethylene are practically unaffected by this change in CT energy and should only experience the effect of induced polarization by the Br atoms. The pyridine protons at the 2-position may be influenced by both effects and therefore show irregular changes in shift.

D. The Effect of Substituting C₂H₄ by CO

Table I and II also show the NMR data for the carbonyl complexes. Because of the long T₁ relaxation times of the metal bonded carbonyls, we did not succeed in obtaining their resonance signals in the normal way.

In three complexes (R = H, Cl and CN) we used enriched ¹³CO, and found their signals at 151.4, 150.9 and 150.6 ppm respectively.

With respect to the ethylene complexes, the NMR shifts for the 2-position in the ring are moved somewhat upfield and those of the other part of the ring are shifted downfield. Considering the UV spectra, a large blue shift was observed for the charge transfer energy in the CO complex with respect to that in the C₂H₄ complex (Table VI). This blue shift is caused by the fact that the platinum 5d_{xy} orbital is used in the platinum–carbonyl π -bond. This shift of CT energy is reflected in the upfield ¹³C shift obtained for the 2-position in the ring. The latter shift is small, but is opposed by a downfield shift of the whole ring in the CO complex with respect to that in the C₂H₄ complex (see shifts C-3 and C-4).

Because of an almost constant difference in CT energies between the various carbonyl and ethylene compounds, a constant upfield ¹³C shift is expected, and accordingly is in fact found.

The ¹³C NMR shift of the C-2 position of *tr*-PtCl₂(CO)(4CN-Py) is small compared with that in the other complexes. Similarly anomalous behaviour is also

TABLE V. ¹³C Chemical Shifts of Pyridine and Ethylene in *tr*-Pt(Z)₂(C₂H₄)(4R-Py) with Z = Br, Cl.

	<i>tr</i> -PtCl ₂ (C ₂ H ₄)(4R-Py)			<i>tr</i> -PtBr ₂ (C ₂ H ₄)(4R-Py)		
	R = CH ₃	H	Br	CH ₃	H	Br
C-2 _(H₂) ^a	150.4 (8.75)	151.3 (8.95)	151.6 (8.82)	151.4 (8.80)	152.3 (8.92)	152.7 (8.77)
C-3	126.3	125.7	129.2	126.4	125.7	129.3
C-4	153.2	140.4	138.0	152.6	139.9	137.5
C ₂ H _{4(H)} ^a	74.9 (4.86)	75.3 (4.92)	75.15 (4.93)	72.5 (5.02)	72.8 (5.02)	72.8 (5.01)
ΔE^b	32.150	32.030	31.750	31.650	31.550	31.250

^a These are proton shifts; see text for explanation; ^b ΔE is the charge transfer energy in cm⁻¹.

TABLE VI. Charge Transfer Energies (in cm⁻¹) and δ ¹³C(C-2) for *tr*-PtCl₂(X)(4R-Py) with X = CO or C₂H₄.

R	ΔE_a X = CO	ΔE_b X = C ₂ H ₄	$\Delta E_a - \Delta E_b$	δ ¹³ C _a (C-2) X = CO	δ ¹³ C _b (C-2) X = C ₂ H ₄	δ ¹³ C _a - δ ¹³ C _b
CH ₃	35.090	32.150	2.940	149.9	150.4	-.5
H	34.970	32.030	2.940	150.9	151.3	-.4
Cl	34.840	31.850	2.990	151.5	151.9	-.4
Br	34.720	31.750	2.970	151.2	151.6	-.4
CN	32.360	30.960	1.400	152.3	152.5	-.2

found in the UV spectrum² (a much smaller CT energy) and in the vibrational spectrum¹ (higher value of $\nu(\text{Pt-N})$ in the CO complex than in the C₂H₄ complex). It may be attributed to the strong π -acceptor property of the 4 CN-pyridine ligand, due to which the π -bond contribution to the total bond between Pt and CO is much lower than for the other CO complexes.

The carbonyl resonances observed for the enriched carbonyl complexes show a large upfield shift with regard to free CO (about 30 ppm).

Most carbonyl complexes show large downfield shifts of the carbonyl C atom ascribed to the strong π -bonding ability of CO in these complexes²⁶, or to changes in ΔE resulting from interaction of metal *d* orbitals with CO π^* orbitals^{27,28}. However, our results are in agreement with the high upfield proton shifts in square *tr*-PtX(H)(PEt₃)₂ complexes¹¹, which have been explained in terms of the anisotropy in the magnetic susceptibility of the Pt atom for atoms lying in the square plane.

The trend in the shifts for CO arising from variation of R from H to CN is the result of the corresponding increase in π -bond ability of the 4R-pyridine ligand. The π -back bond to CO will then decrease resulting in a larger upfield shift²⁸. This decrease in π -bond character has also been shown in the vibrational spectra¹, giving a higher $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{O})$ frequency on varying R from CH₃ to CN.

E. The Platinum Coupling Constants

In Table VII some coupling constants for the *tr*-PtCl₂X (4R-Py) (X = CO, C₂H₄) are compiled.

The whole series of ethylene complexes shows only small variations in these constants. The Pt-ethylene coupling is always present in the spectra at room temperature, hence there is no intermolecular ethylene exchange⁴. This coupling is mainly dominated by the Fermi Contact mechanism^{29,30}, which is strongly dependent on the metal *s* character of this bond^{29,31}.

Braterman³² has pointed out for Pt-olefin complexes that this mechanism should occur via the ligand-metal σ -bond in order to involve the metal *s* orbital. Thus, the order of increasing $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt}-^{13}\text{C})$ should be the inverse of the order of the σ -bond strengths of the platinum-pyridine bonds. However, the variation is too small here to give a correct σ -bond strength order.

$^1\text{J}(^{13}\text{C}-\text{H})$ of the ethylene is increased on coordination from 156 Hz to about 165 Hz, which supports a three-membered ring structure for the Pt-C₂H₄ bond, but not a change in hybridisation of the ethylene carbon atoms from *sp*² to *sp*³. Coupling between platinum and the protons at the 2-position of the ring⁴ are only found in the ethylene complexes at low temperature (about 35 Hz). On the other hand the carbonyl compounds show this coupling at room temperature (about 30 Hz). Further, the ¹³C spectra show coupling between Pt and the pyridine ring in the carbonyl complexes, but

not in the C₂H₄ compounds (Table VII.) We can conclude from this observation that the pyridine ligand is kinetically more labile in the ethylene than in the CO complexes.

On the other hand, the vibrational spectra show a lower value of $\nu(\text{Pt-N})$ in the carbonyl complexes¹ than that in the ethylene species. Evidently the higher *trans*-influence (weakening of the *trans* bond in the ground state) causes the 4R-pyridine ligands to be thermodynamically less stable here than in the corresponding ethylene complexes.

The alternation in the value of the coupling constants between the platinum and the pyridine ring in the CO complexes, ($^3\text{J}(\text{Pt-C-3}) > ^2\text{J}(\text{Pt-C-2}) > ^4\text{J}(\text{Pt-C-4})$) is in agreement with the results of e.g. Pt(Py)₄²⁺³³. At the moment we have no explanation for this effect.

Values of $^1\text{J}(\text{C-H})$ for complexed 4R-Py are increased (about 6 Hz) with respect to the values for the free ligand, corresponding with observations for the complexes $\pi\text{-(C}_6\text{H}_5\text{X)Cr(CO)}_3$ ⁷. This has been explained by an increase in the effective nuclear charge via a withdrawal of electron density from the σ framework of the arene ring³⁴. In the present complexes too this mechanism may be responsible for this increase in $^1\text{J}(\text{C-H})$.

In the three ¹³C-enriched CO complexes, we recorded $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-CO})$ constants of 1674, 1698 and 1729 Hz for R = H, Cl and CN respectively. The coupling constants, which can be correlated with the change in σ -bonding ability between the platinum and the CO³², are found to increase when the σ -bond between Pt and pyridine weakens. It is not strange that such an effect could hardly be observed for the corresponding ethylene complexes, as the $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-C}_2\text{H}_4)$ values are much smaller than the corresponding $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-CO})$ values.

Conclusion

From the ¹³C NMR spectra of *tr*-PtCl₂X(4R-Py) (X = C₂H₄, CO) complexes the following conclusions can be drawn.

It has been shown that the largest contribution to the chemical shifts of both pyridine and ethylene in these complexes is given by the paramagnetic shielding constant σ_p and the diamagnetic contribution due to the platinum atom σ_d' . The values of σ_p appear to depend on low lying electronic CT transitions. This is mainly reflected in the chemical shift of C-2 of the 4R-pyridine ligand in the complex, since a direct relation is found between the chemical shift of C-2 and $(\Delta E)_{\text{CT}}$ for a series of 4R-pyridine-C₂H₄ and CO complexes. While the vibrational spectra do not show any influence of variation of R on the Pt-ethylene and Pt-CO bond, the ¹³C shifts of both ethylene and CO depend on R.

TABLE VII. Coupling Constants (Hz) in *tr*-PtCl₂(X)(4R-Py) for X = CO or C₂H₄ and for the free ligands (n = not observed).

	² J(Pt-H)C ₂ H ₄	¹ J(Pt-C)C ₂ H ₄	¹ J(C-H)C ₂ H ₄	³ J(Pt-H-2)	² J(Pt-C-2)	³ J(Pt-C-3)	⁴ J(Pt-C-4)	¹ J(C ₂ -H ₂) Complex	¹ J(C ₂ -H ₂) Ligand	¹ J(C ₃ -H ₃) Complex	¹ J(C ₃ -H ₃) Ligand
X = C ₂ H ₄											
NH ₂	61.0	164	164	n				182	175	165	160
CH ₂ CH ₃	60.5	164	164	35.0 ^a				182	175	165	160
CH ₃	60.5	165	165	34.5 ^a				177	174	172	160
CH ₂ OH	61.0	165	165	35.5 ^a				191	176	167	163
H	61.0	165	164	36.0 ^a				189	181	171	164
Cl	62.0	168	164	35.0 ^a				188	181	175	169
Br	61.0	168	165	35.0 ^a				193	180	175	168
COOH	64.0	165	168	35.0 ^a				192	182	174	170
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	61.0	165	167	35.0 ^a				186	180	172	167
COCH ₃	61.0	163	167	35.0 ^a				185	178	170	164
CN	63.0	170	160	36.0 ^a				185	183	175	170
X = CO ^b											
CH ₃				30	12.6	32.5	7.8				
H				30	11.2	32.1	6.4				
Cl				~29		33.6					
Br				~28	14.0	34.0					
CN				31	11.8	33.0					
Free Ethylene			156 ^c								

^a The spectra have been run at low temperature to observe the coupling. ^b We have not taken non-decoupled spectra for these compounds. ^c ref. 25, p. 333.

A correlation is found between the ¹³C shifts of the ethylene and the Hammett σ_p parameter of R.

Changes in the Pt-CO σ -bond on variation of R influence the ¹J(Pt-CO) coupling constant. However, no such effect could be detected for ¹J(Pt-C₂H₄) in the corresponding ethylene complexes because these coupling constants are much smaller.

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