

The Crystal and Molecular Structure of 11,11,12,12-Tetracyano-1,4-naphthaquinodimethane

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Crystals of 11,11,12,12-tetracyano-1,4-naphthaquinodimethane, $C_{16}H_6N_4$, are orthorhombic, space group *Pbca* with cell dimensions: $a = 13.210$, $b = 7.209$, $c = 26.629$ Å and $Z = 8$. The structure was determined by a three-dimensional X-ray analysis using visually estimated Cu $K\alpha$ data. Phases were found by the symbolic-addition procedure and the subsequent refinement was carried out by the block-diagonal least-squares method with anisotropic temperature factors, the final R value being 0.085 for 1999 observed reflexions. Bond distances are in reasonable agreement with the corresponding values for the related substances, but the bond angles related to dicyanomethylene groups are significantly different because of relieving intramolecular overcrowding. The naphthalene skeleton is folded out by 15.3° and the quinonoid ring is distorted into the shape of a boat. Non-bonded intramolecular distances $C \cdots C$ (2.966 Å) are close to the typical value of 3.0 Å for non-bonded interactions of this type.

Introduction

11,11,12,12-Tetracyano-1,4-naphthaquinodimethane (TCNNQ) forms charge-transfer complexes with aromatic hydrocarbons, similar to the analogous compounds tetracyanoethylene (TCNE) and 7,7,8,8-tetracyanoquinodimethane (TCNQ). TCNNQ acts as a strong acceptor of electrons and its electronegativity is estimated as 1.5 eV (Chatterjee, 1967).

In contrast with TCNE and TCNQ which are planar, TCNNQ is considered subject to molecular deformation as a consequence of the intramolecular overcrowding from the addition of an aromatic ring to TCNQ moiety. The crystal-structure analysis was undertaken to investigate the detailed molecular geometry of TCNNQ itself and provide a standard for a series study on its charge-transfer complexes.

Experimental

The crystals of TCNNQ supplied were obtained from methylene bromide solution as yellow plates. Cell dimensions were calibrated with copper powder lines superposed on Weissenberg photographs (Cu K , $\bar{\alpha} = 1.5418$, $\alpha_1 = 1.5405$, $\alpha_2 = 1.5443$ and $\beta = 1.3922$ Å). The crystal data are: $C_{16}H_6N_4$, M.W. 254.25; orthorhombic, $a = 13.210 \pm 0.003$, $b = 7.209 \pm 0.003$, $c = 26.629 \pm 0.005$ Å, $V = 2535.8$ Å³, $Z = 8$; $D_m = 1.34$ g.cm⁻³, $D_x = 1.332$ g.cm⁻³; $F(000) = 1040$; $\mu = 8$ cm⁻¹ (Cu $K\alpha$); systematic absences: $k = 2n + 1$ for $0kl$, $l = 2n + 1$ for $h0l$, $h = 2n + 1$ for $hk0$; space group: *Pbca* (No. 61- D_{2h}^{16}).

Intensity data were collected from integrated equi-inclination Weissenberg photographs around the a and b axes, $0kl \sim 9kl$ and $h0l \sim h4l$, using Cu $K\alpha$ radiation. The intensities were estimated visually by comparison with a standard scale. A total of 1999 non-zero reflexions were observed. The crystals used for intensity-data collection were approximately cylindrical in form having an average radius of 0.2 mm. No absorption

corrections were made. The usual Lorentz, polarization and spot-shape corrections were applied and interlayer scale factors were refined by a least-squares method.

Structure determination

An approximate scale factor and average temperature factor were obtained by Wilson's method. After an unsuccessful effort to obtain a trial structure through interpretation of the sharpened Patterson function, the structure was solved by the symbolic-addition procedure (Karle & Karle, 1963). Program *SIGMA* written by Dr T. Ashida was utilized to list the Σ_2 relationships for each reflexion and to calculate the associated probabilities. Signs of 134 reflexions out of 318 with $|E| \geq 1.5$ were determined manually. The naphthalene skeleton and a part of the dicyanomethylene groups were found from an E map based on computations using these phases. The remaining three atoms, C(13), N(1) and N(3), were located by assuming that the molecule was almost planar. Five cycles of block-diagonal least-squares refinement of these atoms with isotropic temperature factors gave an R value of 0.35 for all reflexions but temperature factors of C(13), N(1) and N(3) atoms became enormously large. A three-dimensional Fourier synthesis was calculated and from the resultant map it was found that these three atoms had been misplaced by about 1 Å. The parameters of these atoms were corrected in accordance with the Fourier synthesis. After additional cycles of isotropic least-squares refinement the R value decreased to 0.145. At this stage anisotropic temperature factors were introduced and refinement was continued to reduce the R value to 0.12. Hydrogen atoms were located from a difference Fourier synthesis (Fig. 1) and were included in the least-squares refinement with isotropic temperature factors. The R value was reduced to 0.086 after four cycles of least-squares refinement excluding 24 strong reflexions which needed extinction corrections. They were corrected according

to the formula $I_o = I_{\text{corr}} \exp(-g I_{\text{corr}})$. The constant g was estimated graphically. Four more cycles of block-diagonal least-squares refinement were carried out with anisotropic temperature factors for carbon and nitrogen atoms and with isotropic temperature factors for hydrogen atoms. The final R value was 0.085 for all the observed reflexions. Atomic scattering factors for carbon and nitrogen were taken from *International Tables for X-ray crystallography* (1962). For hydrogen, the values given by Stewart, Davidson & Simpson (1965) were used. The quantity $\sum w(kF_o - F_c)^2$ was minimized where w is the weight function and k is the scale factor. The weighting scheme employed was $w = (30/|F_o|)^2$ if $|F_o| > 30$, $w = 1$ if $30 \geq |F_o| \geq 8$ and $w = 0.2$ if $|F_o| < 8$.

Final atomic parameters are listed in Tables 1 and 2. Standard deviations in positional coordinates were: C = 0.0035, N = 0.004 and H = 0.04 Å. A comparison of the observed and calculated structure factors is given in Table 3.

Table 2. Fractional coordinates ($\times 10^3$) and thermal parameters (\AA^2) of hydrogen atoms

	x	y	z	B
H(1)	562 (3)	-292 (6)	049 (2)	4.3 (1.0)
H(2)	643 (3)	-174 (5)	121 (1)	3.8 (0.9)
H(3)	364 (3)	104 (6)	215 (1)	4.0 (0.9)
H(4)	191 (3)	110 (5)	204 (1)	3.3 (0.9)
H(5)	119 (3)	-012 (5)	133 (1)	2.6 (0.7)
H(6)	217 (3)	-133 (6)	063 (1)	3.9 (0.9)

Results and discussion

Thermal motion

Thermal-motion ellipsoids of the individual atoms are shown in Fig. 2. The molecular motion has been analysed in terms of the rigid-body vibrations of translation (T) and libration (ω), using the approach described by Cruickshank (1956*a*). Some rigid parameters for the 12 innermost atoms [C(1)–C(12)] of the molecule are given in Table 4. The translational motion is not markedly anisotropic, while libration is quite anisotropic and the axis of the greatest libration corresponds approximately to the long axis of the whole molecule. The bond lengths were corrected for the thermal-motion effect indicated by the rigid-body analysis (Cruickshank, 1956*a*; 1961). A similar analysis was carried out for the entire TCNNQ molecule. This analysis has been used for correcting the remaining C–C bond lengths. (The differences in bond distances cor-

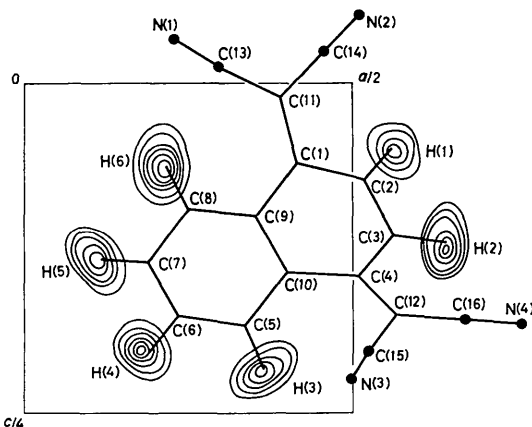


Fig. 1. Sections of the three-dimensional difference Fourier synthesis through the atomic centres parallel to (010). Contours are at intervals of 0.1 e.Å⁻³, starting with 0.1 e.Å⁻³.

Table 1. Final atomic parameters of non-hydrogen atoms and their estimated standard deviations (all quantities $\times 10^4$)

The anisotropic temperature factors are of the form:

$$\exp[-(\beta_{11}h^2 + \beta_{22}k^2 + \beta_{33}l^2 + 2\beta_{12}hk + 2\beta_{13}hl + 2\beta_{23}kl)]$$

	x	y	z	β_{11}	β_{22}	β_{33}	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{23}
C(1)	4175 (2)	-1499 (5)	0592 (1)	30 (2)	95 (6)	10 (0)	-9 (3)	-0 (1)	0 (2)
C(2)	5191 (3)	-2082 (5)	0738 (1)	32 (2)	125 (7)	12 (1)	7 (3)	-1 (1)	-2 (2)
C(3)	5632 (3)	-1404 (5)	1156 (1)	36 (2)	152 (8)	12 (1)	9 (3)	-1 (1)	-2 (2)
C(4)	5099 (3)	-0074 (5)	1468 (1)	39 (2)	127 (7)	9 (0)	-4 (3)	-2 (1)	5 (2)
C(5)	3384 (3)	0522 (5)	1832 (1)	44 (2)	150 (8)	9 (0)	-2 (4)	1 (1)	-1 (2)
C(6)	2338 (3)	0480 (5)	1788 (1)	38 (2)	162 (9)	11 (1)	3 (4)	4 (1)	-1 (2)
C(7)	1893 (3)	-0114 (5)	1346 (1)	30 (2)	150 (7)	10 (0)	3 (3)	1 (1)	1 (2)
C(8)	2482 (2)	-0725 (5)	0948 (1)	31 (2)	128 (7)	9 (0)	-0 (3)	1 (1)	2 (2)
C(9)	3534 (2)	-0697 (5)	0981 (1)	35 (2)	90 (6)	8 (0)	2 (3)	-1 (1)	2 (1)
C(10)	3990 (2)	-0034 (5)	1431 (1)	39 (2)	107 (6)	8 (0)	-4 (3)	-0 (1)	4 (1)
C(11)	3902 (2)	-1735 (5)	0094 (1)	29 (2)	112 (6)	9 (0)	-6 (3)	2 (1)	-3 (2)
C(12)	5665 (3)	1112 (5)	1764 (1)	39 (2)	167 (8)	8 (0)	-8 (3)	-2 (1)	4 (2)
C(13)	2997 (3)	-1058 (5)	-0134 (1)	39 (2)	163 (8)	9 (0)	-5 (3)	1 (1)	-6 (2)
C(14)	4586 (3)	-2592 (5)	-0253 (1)	40 (2)	134 (7)	10 (0)	-1 (3)	3 (1)	-7 (2)
C(15)	5260 (3)	2657 (6)	2028 (1)	45 (2)	189 (9)	11 (1)	-14 (4)	-6 (1)	-9 (2)
C(16)	6740 (3)	0949 (6)	1798 (2)	47 (2)	201 (9)	12 (1)	-14 (4)	-5 (1)	2 (2)
N(1)	2295 (2)	-0514 (6)	-0334 (1)	50 (2)	279 (11)	13 (1)	23 (4)	-4 (1)	-0 (2)
N(2)	5127 (3)	-3237 (5)	-0535 (1)	53 (2)	222 (9)	14 (1)	-7 (4)	6 (1)	-12 (2)
N(3)	4973 (3)	3945 (6)	2244 (2)	64 (3)	263 (10)	21 (1)	-8 (4)	-7 (1)	-35 (2)
N(4)	7604 (3)	0832 (7)	1830 (2)	40 (2)	347 (13)	25 (1)	-11 (4)	-8 (1)	-1 (3)

Table 3. Observed and calculated structure factors ($\times 4$)* indicates reflexions for which $w=0.2$.

† denotes the 24 reflexions corrected for extinction.

L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC	L FO FC
M.K.# 0 0	20 83 84	15 44 -34	20 112 108	21 41 -37	41908-908	4 58 49	16 110-111	16* 31 -33	
2 211 216	22 89 74	22 89 74	22 119 122	22* 30 -23	51443 408	5 125 124	17 20 -28	17 20 -28	
4 170-228	24 33 31	17 14 -12	25 60 58	23 59 61	61345 403	6 179 172	19 34 26	M.K.# 15 2	
61594 635	26* 16 -9	18 67-54	24 79 80	24* 17 -18	71632-707	7 140-136	20 47 40	2* 25 23	
81380-418	30 37 43	19 22 4	25 42 -41	25 40 -35	8 120 123	8 91 86	23 85 92	3 33 27	
10 161-153	M.K.# 8 0	20 67 63	26 35 35	26* 29 28	9 84 86	9 84 -76	24 45 -50	4 33 17	
12 142-133	0 176 185	21 75 -63	27 19 -21	27* 19 20	10 79 -76	11 97 -99	25 63 69	5 36 -33	
14 149 133	2* 23 -20	22* 24 -19	29 42 44	28* 10 -3	12 76 67	12 66 80	26* 13 15	6 33 -33	
16 55 -49	4 46 45	23 52 49	30* 13 -14	M.K.# 10 1	13 292-328	13 140-133	27* 14 -6	7* 19 -22	
20 65 -66	6 132-124	24 38 32	31* 20 24	0 61 56	14 140-148	14 83 -77	28* 16 16	8 47 52	
22 187 177	8 79 -75	25 81 70	M.K.# 6 1	1 29 33	15 144 133	15 33 25	M.K.# 9 2	10 43 45	
24 191-199	10* 23 17	27 61 -60	0* 20 18	2 50 40	16 91 -95	16 96 -49	1 36 -30	11 53 -60	
32 421-225	12 78 52	5 152 163	12 44 39	18 36 39	17 144-143	17 71 -67	2 44 -48	12* 29 -29	
34 147-146	14 92 87	29* 26 -22	2 142 138	5 44 -40	18 129-126	18 32 33	3 42 -35	13* 13 -17	
38 101 97	16 127-131	30* 22 -25	3 137-131	6 68 -63	19* 16 -17	19* 16 -15	4 95 -46	M.K.# 10 2	
40 45 -44	18 126-122	31 61 65	4 115-108	0 131-134	21 184 187	21 44 -42	5 111-113	0* 51 40	
32* 19 -20	19 26 -22	31 61 65	4 115-108	0 131-134	22 232 244	22 31 24	6 113-121	3* 11 12	
34 49 36	20 67 63	33* 31 -37	6 167-173	10 125-117	24 95 -95	25* 13 -19	7 37 -35	7 36 -44	
M.K.# 1 0	22 95 55	M.K.# 2 1	7 25 22	11 95 91	26 53 -54	26* 12 17	8 125 127	M.K.# 1 3	
21343-368	24* 29 -23	M.K.# 3 0	8 46 30	12 52 46	27 68 53	27* 24 -18	9 85 83	1 82 76	
4 89 -82	26 33 32	01328-368	9 46 30	12 52 46	28 105 112	28* 25 -20	10 86 82	3 146 140	
61458 449	M.K.# 9 0	2 148-149	9 46 30	12 52 46	29 89 -96	31* 20 -24	12 132-135	4 171-179	
8 294 337	2 61 49	3 105 107	10 63 -61	14 19 -13	30* 25 -19	32* 19 26	13 97 -84	5 69 -60	
10 120 115	4* 28 -24	4 234-264	11* 15 8	16 41 36	32* 16 18	M.K.# 5 2	14 67 64	6 68 58	
12 216 225	6 78 52	5 152 163	12 44 39	18 36 39	32* 16 18	M.K.# 5 2	15 95 -92	6* 22 -15	
14* 28 18	8 109 103	6 216-244	13* 30 -28	20 35 -33	M.K.# 1 2	1 70 65	17 66 -65	8* 26 -23	
16 57 -52	10 69 58	8 47 44	14 38 38	21 39 -38	M.K.# 1 2	2 44 38	19 108 109	9 101 100	
18 96 80	12 185-188	9 61 -51	15 46 -63	22 38 36	15511 540	4 35 -24	18* 18 -19	10 101 100	
20 61 49	14 113-111	10 51 46	16 51 46	23 48 46	5 143 135	5 143 135	19 146 140	11 156-145	
22 110-120	16 174 178	11 23 -20	17 63 -67	24* 18 -17	3 140 155	6 77 77	20 34 -50	11 182 184	
24 152-153	18* 13 4	12 132-131	18 74 71	25* 17 15	4 143 149	7 107-108	21 66 63	12 92 -84	
26* 21 14	20* 22 -16	14 21 -19	19 48 38	26* 10 -11	5 123 124	8 79 79	24* 8 9	13 44 -37	
28 66 58	22 19 16	15 34 34	M.K.# 11 1	6 282 293	M.K.# 11 1	6 282 293	25* 26 28	14 68 61	
30* 10 19	24 95-101	16* 12 -18	21 19 -16	8 85 -82	7 36 25	11* 24 -19	28* 20 26	15 91 50	
32* 22 -20	26 31 -32	17 66 -47	22 39 37	2 32 32	8 145 132	12 63 -55	M.K.# 10 2	16 64 -57	
34* 22 -29	28* 22 -28	18 16 -13	23 112-121	3 22 31	10 50 41	13* 23 -29	1 88 78	17 150 148	
M.K.# 2 0	19 14-110	17 66 -47	24 10 10	4 56 54	11 184 -53	14 61 -17	2 20 24	18 142 140	
0 139 198	4 68 68	20 18 -22	25 49 -48	5 104-102	12 18 16	15 31 -31	3 99 -19	19 95 99	
2 40 45	4 91 84	21 69 60	26 47 47	6 31 -21	13* 26 19	16 68 -65	4 43 -44	20* 26 -27	
4 135 132	6 47 42	22 18 -15	27 27 24	7 60 -52	14 22 27	18* 23 -22	5* 23 20	21 132-128	
61421-421	8 78 74	23 19 14	28 29 24	8 29 24	15 79 74	19* 25 24	6 49 47	22 61 54	
8 29 19	10 186-197	24 33 35	29 46 -48	9 138 136	16 37 -45	20 52 -50	7 156 151	23 35 35	
10 318-347	12 42 -31	25 42 -40	30* 11 0	11 40 -42	20 96 94	21 44 41	8 272 154	24 72 67	
12 227-224	14 208 311	26 75 77	31* 23 -27	12 60 -63	21 73 69	22 28 27	9* 21 -24	25 40 34	
14 374 401	16 25 -21	27 25 -21	M.K.# 12 1	13 38 35	22 29 -27	23 37 33	10 122-123	26 28 -22	
16* 23 -16	18* 23 25	30* 13 -13	1 80 -73	20 10 -14	24 83 -76	25 34 -33	11 85 77	27* 40 34	
18 127 124	20 46 40	33* 20 23	2 85 84	21 10 -9	24 83 -76	25 34 -33	12 86 -85	28 67 73	
20 65 80	22* 28 -19	M.K.# 3 1	3 135 129	22* 11 -12	25 68 -75	26* 21 -22	13 71 -72	29 69 19 13	
22 170-177	M.K.# 10 6	4 10 107	4 10 107	23 12 11	27 70 70	27 70 70	14 107 102	30 36 42	
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30 120-134	8 107-108	5 107-108	9 80 74	1 37 -34	M.K.# 2 2	1 110 100	19 44 43	1 111 117	
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2 136 146	14 63 68	9 131 133	11 93 -87	4 50 -48	11405 464	3 115-109	22 33 -31	4 87 81	
4 180-198	16 85 83	10 206 216	12 81 -84	5 45 -43	2 221-229	4 41 -41	23* 28 25	5 143-144	
6 262-262	18 50 -54	11 211 220	13 49 49	6 83 -79	3* 17 4	5 48 40	24* 19 -19	6 35 34	
8 288-312	20 36 35	13 39 -26	14 138-138	8 80 -77	4 135-135	6 77 69	25* 17 -10	7 31 -25	
10 150-136	24* 47 -15	15 107 -82	15 97 -82	9 31 -28	5 218 237	7 83 75	M.K.# 11 2	8 68 60	
12 157 147	M.K.# 12 0	16 39 -35	16 93 -26	10 78 78	6 23 -19	8 143 138	9 54 50	9 54 50	
14 111 -95	0 154 162	17 119 112	17 105 109	12 43 38	71328 363	11 45 -41	4* 24 21	10 38 -36	
16* 1 8	2 97-102	18 120-115	18* 18 -19	15 20 -20	8 276 313	13 31 -23	5 52 50	12 139-132	
18 2 139-137	4 103-113	19 67 65	19 67 65	15 46 46	9 61 54	14 37 33	6* 19 -27	13 76 65	
24 38 -40	4 44 -43	20 63 20	20 63 20	20* 22 -19	10 156 163	10 156 163	14* 25 25	14* 25 25	
26* 19 -16	8 158-152	21 46 44	21 46 44	21* 12 15	11 80 77	16* 25 24	9 87 84	15 52 -50	
28 43 -43	10 30 -31	22 47 41	22* 21 21	22 31 30	12 91 49	17 58 -58	11 47 -53	17 50 -40	
32 46 -45	12 38 38	23 17 10	23 17 10	23* 17 -10	13 57 -52	18 32 27	12 73 71	18 66 -60	
M.K.# 4 0	14 38 -38	24* 22 21	25* 19 22	M.K.# 13 1	14 180 184	14 180 184	14 7 47	19 48 44	
01574 729	16 40 37	25 69 -67	27 40 -41	2 47 -45	15 91 -84	20* 14 12	15 40 38	20 33 -20	
2 47 -47	18 37 41	26 32 30	29 32 -38	3 67 68	16 77 -75	21 80 -81	16 59 -60	21 61 -49	
4 180 180	20 14 -17	27 14 -17	30* 28 -32	4 31 -33	17 77 71	22* 21 -23	17 37 39	22 54 -47	
6 88 -74	22 73 83	28 56 -58	M.K.# 8 1	5 99 100	18 68 72	18 68 72	18 68 72	18 68 72	
8 310-348	24 42 -50	29 42 -44	0 57 46	6* 23 -20	19 145 141	24 37 -37	21* 19 -17	20 61 62	
10 91 -86	M.K.# 13 0	30 37 -35	1* 24 -21	8* 25 -22	20 92 91	25 19 -14	22 42 47	27* 26 -22	
12 194 90	M.K.# 4 1	2 111 109	2 111 109	9 18 -15	26 19 -15	27* 20 -23	23* 11 -16	29 44 44	
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18 65 -61	8 55 -52	2* 17 12	5 47 -43	15* 30 -31	27* 28 31	31* 22 29	0 115 119	1 187-192	
20 67 -60	10 73 -64	3* 15 20	6 53 -51	18* 11 10	28* 20 19	M.K.# 7 2	2* 28 -36	2* 25 26	
22 35 -27	12* 27 -28	7 67 -67	7 67 -67	19 10 -8	29 52 53	1 125-119	3 69 73	3* 20 -21	
26* 12 -2	16 36 41	5 41 -41	8* 24 -24	21* 25 -26	30 39 -41	2 36 -25	5 100 102	4 140 144	
M.K.# 5 0	18 52 -31	6 153-147	9 149-153	M.K.# 14 1	31* 11 -11	3 36 -25	6 67 72	5 119-118	
3 310 387	20* 8 9	7 38 27	10 88 -82	0 42 42	32* 10 -10	4 41 -41	7 62 68	6 91 -83	
4 131-130	M.K.# 14 0	8 132 123	11 70 67	1 42 41	M.K.# 5 2	5 48 37	9 34 32	7 140-139	
6 129 128	0 43 -35	9 149 151	12 86 79	2 52 52	1 77 -72	6 180-176	10 44 43	8 182-190	
8 119 111	4 46 -19	10 49 35	13 131 129	3 32 34	2 105-105	7 41 39	13 51 -51	10* 21 -20	
10 151 154	6 83 -75	11 55 -45	14 90 86	4 40 35	3 55 51	9 60 -59	14 37 -41	11 169 172	
12 229 241	10 39 -43	12 38 35	14 40 -40	6* 17 17	4* 25 -26	10 85 -84	15 55 55	12 129-131	
16 85 77	14* 20 -17	13 142-137	16 109 100	7* 30 23	5 119 114	11 47 -40	16* 26 -26	13 50 -42	
18 43 39	16* 19 -16	15 118 115	17 16 -10	8* 16 -10	6 105-114	12 96 -96	17 39 -39	14 87 81	
20 33 -28	18 76 80	17 132 131	18 90 85	9 34 29	7 39 -36	14 32 31	18 48 -48	15 58 -46	
22 49 -41	M.K.# 15 0	18 64 50	19 40 38	11 44 45	8 120-115	15 32 -34	21 50 54	16 80 -78	
24 79 -76	6 63 -57	21 55 41	21 22 -9	12 43 41	9 185-194	16 75 -71	22* 24 21	17* 14 8	
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rected by the two analyses are less than 0.0015 Å for any bond.) In the second analysis the libration amplitude about the axis of the second moment of inertia is somewhat greater, indicating that the cyano groups are wagging appreciably. The cyano groups can not be regarded as part of a rigid molecule and the C-N dis-

tances have been corrected by the method of Busing & Levy (1964), assuming the riding motion.

Molecular structure

Bond lengths and angles with their estimated standard deviations are given in Tables 5 and 6. The details

Table 3 (cont.)

L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	L F0 FC	
19* 10 -10	2 58 -60	10 158-162	8 59 53	21 58 -72	25* 20 -13	2 81 75	20 20 21	10* 14 -19		
20* 31 25	3 125 133	11 37 27	9 33 27	22* 28 34	24 31 -55	3 74 63	M.K.K. 8	17 32 44		
21 77 -77	4 132 140	12 126-114	10 55 47	23* 24 -35	25 35 41	4 86 -82	2* 24 27	M.K.K. 8	7	
22 59 -58	5 99 96	13 64 -59	11 56 53	M.K.K. 11	4	27* 41 -32	7 25 21	15 05 -05	0 13 8	
23 30 -35	6 57 -54	14 155 159	12 47 -43	1 38 -38	28* 31 -48	8 115 115	4 01 01	1 50 -55		
24* 24 -21	7 21 -19	15 105 109	13 15 -10	2 50 52	M.K.K. 4	5	10 204 -212	5* 15 19	3* 20 -3*	
27* 19 -20	8 108-104	16 112-106	16 88 88	4 05 -69	0 70 -68	12 74 -84	6 96 107	5* 29 24		
28 34 -36	9 26 29	17 150 173	17 17 -17	5 38 35	0 61 -57	16 108 103	7 59 54	6* 27 41		
29* 20 20	10 134 135	18 233-254	18 34 -32	6 35 36	3 20 20	14 167 179	9 32 -32	8 36 -3*		
31* 2 24	11 122 133	19 162-168	19 55 -58	7 30 -31	5 92 -85	15 107 108	10 45 -42	M.K.K. 9	7	
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3 97 -92	16 69 68	25* 16 18	24* 25 20	11* 27 -29	9 50 44	19* 17 -20	2 31 94	7 32 -24		
4 65 55	18 58 -51	26 46 51	21 31 32	12 49 49	10 48 45	20 77 73	15 45 49	9* 18 21		
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6 88 -23	20 68 62	30* 23 35	28* 30 -35	14 32 -33	14 48 44	24* 17 -14	0 60 00	M.K.K. 0	8	
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9 30 24	23* 27 24	3 159 163	1* 10 18	19 46 -55	20 36 31	2 40 -34	15* 29 -37	4* 19 -18		
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12 59 -59	25* 18 17	5 135-132	3* 24 29	M.K.K. 12	4	22* 28 28	4 55 40	1 58 -46	6 63 62	
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16* 17 17	M.K.K. 10	3	7 17 -13	5* 26 -25	1 32 -29	26 43 -35	6 59 -59	3 40 33	8 69 6*	
17 109-109	0 63 86	8 116-108	7* 26 21	2 19 9	27* 29 -34	8 140-143	4 32 28	9 57 6*		
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19 11-117	2 40 -29	11 19 19	0 80 76	4 19 15	4 83 77	10 81 77	6 59 -59	11 51 -51		
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21* 2 24	4 67 65	13 56 -45	14* 26 26	6* 20 29	3 55 52	12 50 37	10 43 -34	13* 29 -30		
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23 43 43	6 75 43	15 104-111	17 35 -27	8 35 -27	5 121-111	14 39 34	12 59 -24	15 36 -46		
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1 57 -42	18* 19 -16	27 37 -37	3 40 31	18* 21 -12	16 32 36	0 140 134	0 48 49	12 80 94		
2 41 32	19* 14 -16	28* 24 -23	4 41 -39	19* 18 -18	18 41 -42	2 57 57	2 40 -37	14 42 45		
3 55 49	M.K.K. 11	3	29* 17 23	5 67 60	M.K.K. 13	4	20 40 -40	4 80 -74	6 39 38	15 34 41
4 69 49	5 64 62	2 101 101	30 38 -44	7 46 46	3 38 35	2 31 31	7 124 127	7 43 46	16* 25 -29	
5 152 164	3 64 62	M.K.K. 2	4	30 28 -28	22 38 -41	8* 28 27	8 43 -47	M.K.K. 2	6	
6 74 61	4 34 -38	0 73 79	8* 17 10	4* 28 33	25* 29 -33	9 51 -52	11 65 73	0 82 93		
7 46 36	5* 25 -24	1 52 50	9* 31 32	5* 23 -24	26* 8 -10	11 42 -39	13 57 -57	2* 23 -32		
8 67 49	6 69 67	2 12 63	10* 18 15	6 18 15	M.K.K. 4	12 42 42	14 36 36	3 23 28		
9 36 -25	7* 28 -21	3 219-241	11 40 34	7 37 -41	0 66 -63	16* 26 26	17 18 19	4* 23 -30		
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4 49 -84	11 74 -84	M.K.K. 3	12 62 64	12 72 68	M.K.K. 7	8	9 44 -43	5 11 -11		
5 20 -20	13* 26 -20	1 154-158	13 54 53	13 158-162	10 25 -51	0 96 94	13 44 -43	6* 22 26		
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19* 24 26	13 44 -48	20 47 40	3* 21 19	4 85 78	0 105-104	21 40 41	11 27 -25	M.K.K. 6	8	
20 35 -33	15 34 -34	21 51 -51	4* 22 20	5 37 -39	1 34 -54	23* 12 -12	12* 14 -15	1* 22 21		
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23 24 24	M.K.K. 14	3	27* 30 26	7 94 -96	8 66 -67	4 64 -60	6 88 -93	15 40 45	5* 22 -30	
24 40 -59	2* 25 -22	28* 17 16	8 41 45	9 40 45	9 34 36	5 37 36	6 37 36	6* 11 21		
25 51 55	3 8 18	29* 17 10	9 43 41	10 53 -45	7* 27 25	11* 21 -23	19 17 -25	3* 34 34		
26 44 -56	4 34 39	30 22 30	10 85 87	12 39 40	9 39 -35	12* 20 -31	M.K.K. 6	7	9* 22 27	
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1 24 24	10* 23 23	2 71 71	14 47 48	17 49 48	16 41 38	M.K.K. 6	6	4 54 51	6* 11 -21	
2 64 -58	13 7 11	3 94 -95	15* 21 -22	18* 24 18	17 19 -16	0 34 -36	5 35 39	7 19 -26		
3 56 56	14* 9 9	5 68 66	16 78 80	19 37 38	20 37 39	19 47 38	20 32 30	8 17 6		
4 87 84	15* 10 11	6 47 44	17 55 -53	22 39 37	22 34 41	4 43 -42	3 92 90	7* 15 -20	M.K.K. 8	9

of the molecule are shown in Fig. 3. As expected, the intramolecular overcrowding affects the planarity of the molecule. Least-squares affects the planarity of the molecule. Least-squares planes through various groups of atoms in the structure are presented in Table 7 and the deviations from some of these planes are shown in Fig. 4. The six atoms of the benzenoid ring C(5)–C(10) (plane I) are almost planar. Four atoms C(2), C(3), C(9) and C(10) in the quinonoid ring are almost in one plane II, while C(1), C(4), C(11) and C(12) have significant deviations from this plane. The two C–C(CN)₂ groups are entirely on the same side of plane II and this clearly shows that the quinonoid ring is

distorted into the shape of a boat. Planes I and II are folded up by 15.3° (shown diagrammatically in Fig. 4). Plane III through the four atoms, $\begin{matrix} C(2) \\ C(9) \end{matrix} \rangle C(1)=C(11)$, and plane IV through $\begin{matrix} C(3) \\ C(10) \end{matrix} \rangle C(4)=C(12)$ are tilted from plane II by 16.7° and 21.6°, respectively. The angle between planes III and IV is 38.3°. C(13)–N(1) and C(14)–N(2) lie on the opposite side of plane III by 0.158, 0.304 Å and –0.044, –0.054 Å, respectively. C(15), N(3), C(16) and N(4) lie 0.194, 0.365, –0.067 and –0.129 Å away from plane IV. Therefore, the two

Table 4. Rigid-body thermal parameters

(a) 12 innermost atoms C(1) ~ C(12)				(b) 20 atoms C(1) ~ N(4)							
Principal axes of the molecule relative to the crystal axes (<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i>)				Principal axes of the molecule relative to the crystal axes (<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i>)							
Moment of inertia (atomic weight Å ²)		Direction cosines		Moment of inertia (atomic weight Å ²)		Direction cosines					
316.0	0.898	–0.228	–0.376	907.5	0.426	0.378	0.822				
409.8	–0.437	–0.360	–0.824	1862.8	–0.902	0.248	0.354				
704.6	0.053	–0.905	0.423	2584.7	–0.070	–0.892	0.446				
Molecular vibrational tensors				Molecular vibrational tensors							
Translation T (× 10 ^{–2} Å ²)			σ(T) (× 10 ^{–2} Å ²)			Translation T (× 10 ^{–2} Å ²)			σ(T) (× 10 ^{–2} Å ²)		
$\begin{pmatrix} 3.00 & 0.14 & -0.08 \\ & 3.15 & -0.01 \\ & & 2.54 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.10 & 0.09 & 0.11 \\ & 0.11 & 0.12 \\ & & 0.18 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3.22 & 0.30 & 0.18 \\ & 2.81 & 0.05 \\ & & 2.15 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.16 & 0.15 & 0.17 \\ & 0.20 & 0.20 \\ & & 0.27 \end{pmatrix}$								
Rotation ω(deg ²)			σ(ω) (deg ²)			Rotation ω(deg ²)			σ(ω) (deg ²)		
$\begin{pmatrix} 2.6 & 0.4 & -2.5 \\ & 7.8 & -0.6 \\ & & 2.7 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.3 & 0.8 & 0.9 \\ & 1.3 & 0.9 \\ & & 0.8 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 6.1 & 0.6 & 0.8 \\ & 8.9 & 0.5 \\ & & 4.3 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.4 & 0.5 & 0.7 \\ & 0.8 & 0.6 \\ & & 0.6 \end{pmatrix}$								
Principal axes of the T and ω tensors relative to the molecular axes				Principal axes of the T and ω tensors relative to the molecular axes							
R.m.s. amplitude		Direction cosines		R.m.s. amplitude		Direction cosines					
0.159 Å	0.177	–0.017	0.984	0.145 Å	–0.002	–0.002	0.987				
0.171	–0.833	0.530	0.159	0.163	0.443	–0.894	0.071				
0.180	0.524	0.848	–0.079	0.185	0.882	0.448	0.146				
0.36°	0.710	0.015	0.704	1.99°	–0.346	–0.057	0.937				
2.22	0.684	–0.249	–0.686	2.50	–0.910	0.262	–0.320				
2.83	0.165	0.963	–0.187	3.02	0.228	0.963	0.142				

Table 5. Bond lengths (Å)

The e.s.d.'s given in parentheses refer to the least significant digits in the bond lengths.

	Uncorrected	Corrected		Uncorrected	Corrected
C(1)–C(2)	1.459 (5)	1.461	C(13)–N(1)	1.140 (5)	1.148
C(2)–C(3)	1.348 (5)	1.348	C(14)–N(2)	1.135 (5)	1.142
C(3)–C(4)	1.452 (5)	1.454	C(15)–N(3)	1.155 (6)	1.165
C(4)–C(10)	1.469 (5)	1.471	C(16)–N(4)	1.148 (5)	1.159
C(5)–C(10)	1.393 (5)	1.394			
C(5)–C(6)	1.387 (5)	1.389	C(2)–H(1)	1.05 (4)	
C(6)–C(7)	1.383 (5)	1.384	C(3)–H(2)	1.09 (4)	
C(7)–C(8)	1.388 (5)	1.389	C(5)–H(3)	0.98 (3)	
C(8)–C(9)	1.392 (5)	1.394	C(6)–H(4)	0.99 (4)	
C(1)–C(9)	1.459 (5)	1.461	C(7)–H(5)	0.93 (4)	
C(9)–C(10)	1.423 (5)	1.424	C(8)–H(6)	1.04 (4)	
C(1)–C(11)	1.383 (5)	1.384			
C(4)–C(12)	1.382 (5)	1.383	C(13)···C(8)	2.969 (5)	
C(11)–C(13)	1.427 (5)	1.428	C(15)···C(5)	2.963 (5)	
C(11)–C(14)	1.433 (5)	1.434	C(13)···H(6)	2.32 (4)	
C(12)–C(15)	1.422 (5)	1.423	C(15)···H(3)	2.46 (4)	
C(12)–C(16)	1.428 (5)	1.429			

$=C \begin{matrix} \diagup CN \\ \diagdown CN \end{matrix}$ groups are twisted about the C=C axes so that $C(11) \begin{matrix} \diagup C(13) \\ \diagdown C(14) \end{matrix}$ is 5.0° and that between planes IV and VI, $C(4)=C(12) \begin{matrix} \diagup C(15) \\ \diagdown C(16) \end{matrix}$ is 6.6° . Such distortion of mol-

Table 6. Bond angles ($^\circ$)

The e.s.d.'s given in parentheses refer to the least significant digits in the bond angles.

C(2)—C(1)—C(9)	117.3 (3)	C(4)—C(12)—C(15)	124.3 (3)
C(2)—C(1)—C(11)	117.4 (3)	C(4)—C(12)—C(16)	121.5 (3)
C(9)—C(1)—C(11)	125.3 (3)	C(15)—C(12)—C(16)	114.1 (3)
C(1)—C(2)—C(3)	120.9 (3)	C(11)—C(13)—N(1)	177.3 (4)
C(2)—C(3)—C(4)	120.2 (3)	C(11)—C(14)—N(2)	178.5 (4)
C(3)—C(4)—C(10)	117.2 (3)	C(12)—C(15)—N(3)	177.0 (4)
C(3)—C(4)—C(12)	118.2 (3)	C(12)—C(16)—N(4)	179.1 (5)
C(10)—C(4)—C(12)	124.5 (3)		
C(4)—C(10)—C(5)	121.8 (3)	C(1)—C(2)—H(1)	119 (2)
C(4)—C(10)—C(9)	118.2 (3)	C(3)—C(2)—H(1)	119 (2)
C(5)—C(10)—C(9)	119.9 (3)	C(2)—C(3)—H(2)	116 (2)
C(10)—C(5)—C(6)	120.1 (3)	C(4)—C(3)—H(2)	123 (2)
C(5)—C(6)—C(7)	120.1 (3)	C(10)—C(5)—H(3)	125 (2)
C(6)—C(7)—C(8)	120.7 (3)	C(6)—C(5)—H(3)	115 (2)
C(7)—C(8)—C(9)	120.4 (3)	C(5)—C(6)—H(4)	120 (2)
C(1)—C(9)—C(8)	121.9 (3)	C(7)—C(6)—H(4)	119 (2)
C(1)—C(9)—C(10)	119.1 (3)	C(6)—C(7)—H(5)	118 (2)
C(8)—C(9)—C(10)	118.8 (3)	C(8)—C(7)—H(5)	121 (2)
C(1)—C(11)—C(13)	125.8 (3)	C(7)—C(8)—H(6)	122 (2)
C(1)—C(11)—C(14)	120.5 (3)	C(9)—C(8)—H(6)	117 (2)
C(13)—C(11)—C(14)	113.6 (3)		

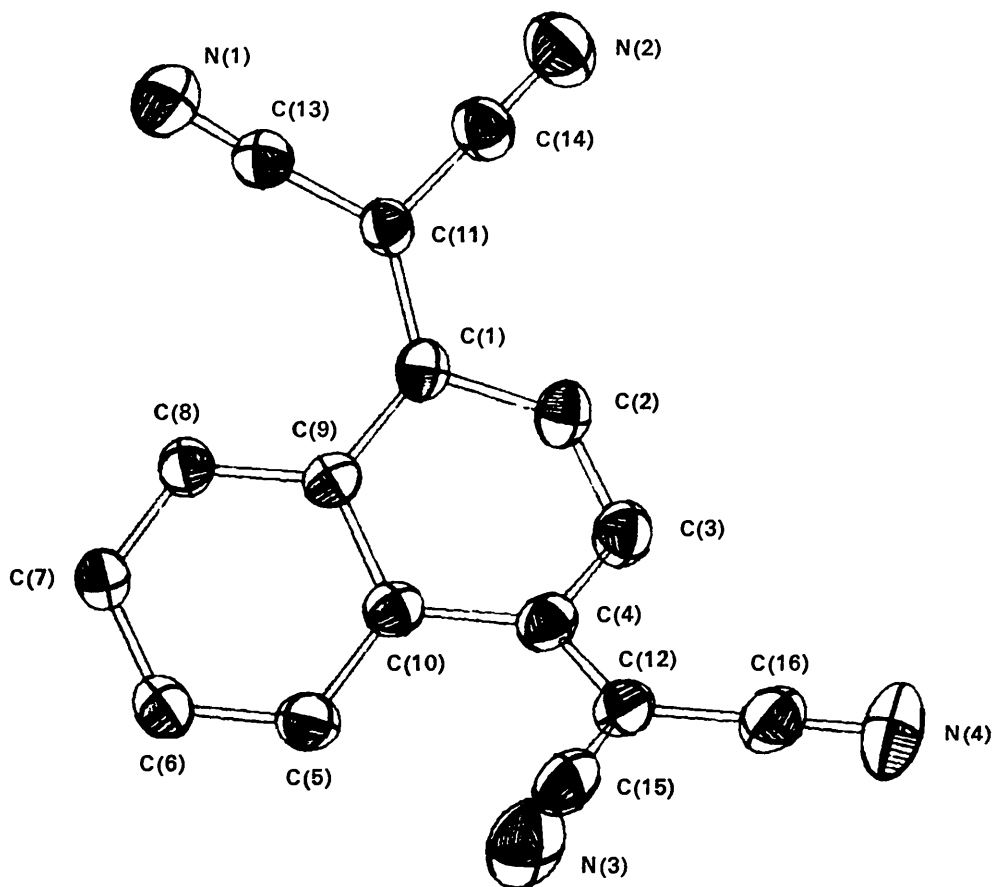


Fig. 2. Perspective drawing of the molecule showing the ellipsoids of thermal motion with a probability of 50%.

ecules as a result of intramolecular overcrowding is already reported for 10-dicyanomethyleneanthrone (Silverman & Yannoni, 1967), in contrast to 1,4-naphthoquinone and its related substances (Gaultier & Hauw, 1965, 1966, 1969) where no intramolecular overcrowding is found and hence the molecules are almost planar.

The average C-C bond distance in the benzenoid ring (1.390 Å) except the fused ring bond, C(9)-C(10), is close to the value found in benzene, 1.392 Å (Cox, Cruickshank & Smith, 1958). The mean value of the C-C single bonds of the quinonoid ring, C(1)-C(2), C(3)-C(4), C(4)-C(10) and C(1)-C(9), is 1.462 Å. The length of C(2)-C(3), 1.348 Å, is compatible with the corresponding bond length of 2,2'-di-(1,4-naphthoquinone), 1.340 Å (Ammon, Sundaralingam & Stewart, 1969) and of TCNQ, 1.347 Å (Long, Sparks & Trueblood, 1965). For bond distances in dicyanomethylene groups, double bonds C(1)-C(11) and C(4)-C(12) (mean value 1.384 Å) are longer than the expected value for an ethylenic double bond (1.34 Å), while single bonds C(11)-C(13), C(11)-C(14), C(12)-C(15) and C(12)-C(16) (mean value 1.428 Å) are shorter than values for a single bond between *sp*- and *sp*²-carbon atoms (1.45 Å) (Stoicheff, 1962). The mean value of the C≡N bond distances is 1.154 Å. The bond lengths obtained in the TCNQ moiety are in reasonable agreement with the corresponding values found in TCNQ and its complexes (Williams & Wallwork, 1968; Hanson, 1968; Goldstein, Seff & Trueblood, 1968). The bond length, C(9)-C(10), of the fused ring, 1.424 Å,

is close to the corresponding bond length in 10-dicyanomethyleneanthrone (1.43 Å) (Silverman & Yannoni, 1967), naphthalene (1.418 Å) and anthracene (1.428 Å) (Cruickshank, 1957, 1956*b*).

The bond angles related to dicyanomethylene groups are different from the corresponding values obtained in TCNQ and its related substances. This can be interpreted as relieving intramolecular overcrowding between C(8) and C(13) and between C(5) and C(15). The bond angles, C(2) C(1) C(9), C(3) C(4) C(10) (mean value, 117.3°) and C(13) C(11) C(14), C(15) C(12) C(16) (mean value, 113.9°) are narrower than the corresponding values in TCNQ (118.3 and 116.1°, respectively). The bond angles, C(9) C(1) C(11), C(10) C(4) C(12) (mean value 124.9°) and C(1) C(11) C(13), C(4) C(12) C(15) (mean value 125.1°) are significantly opened.

The non-bonded distances C(8)···C(13), C(5)···C(15) and H(6)···C(13), H(3)···C(15) are close to the

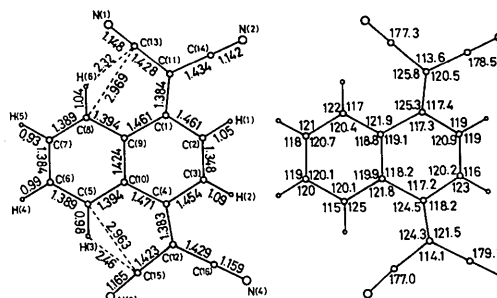


Fig. 3. Bond lengths (Å) and angles (°).

Table 7. Least-squares planes

Equation of the plane: $AX + BY + CZ = D$, where X , Y and Z are the coordinates in Å referred to the crystal axes a , b and c . D is the plane-to-origin distance in Å.

		<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>
I	[C(5) ~ C(10)], benzenoid ring	0.0098	0.9325	-0.3610	-1.3597
II	C(2), C(3), C(9) and C(10) in quinonoid ring	0.2357	0.8477	-0.4753	-0.5780
III	C(2) > C(1) = C(11) C(9)	0.3515	0.9109	-0.2163	0.6171
IV	C(3) > C(4) = C(12) C(10)	0.0508	0.6650	-0.7451	-2.5926
V	C(1) = C(11) < C(13) C(14)	0.4323	0.8786	-0.2029	1.1056
VI	C(4) = C(12) < C(15) C(16)	0.1212	0.5907	-0.7977	-2.3433

Displacements (Å × 10³) of atoms from mean planes.*
Boldface deviations indicate the atoms used to define the least-squares plane.

	III	V	IV	VI
C(1)	-003	010	C(3)	005
C(2)	001	141	C(4)	-015
C(9)	001	-059	C(10)	005
C(11)	001	-027	C(12)	005
C(13)	158	009	C(15)	194
C(14)	-044	008	C(16)	-067
N(1)	304	060	N(3)	365
N(2)	-054	061	N(4)	-129

* Displacements of atoms from planes I and II are shown in Fig. 4.

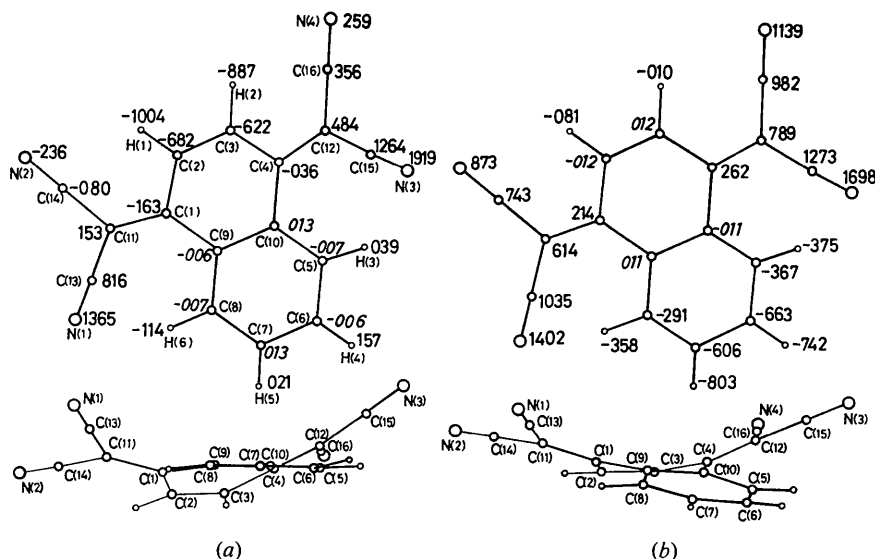


Fig. 4. Deviations ($\text{\AA} \times 10^3$) from the least-squares planes and projections parallel to these planes, (a) plane I and (b) plane II.

typical values of 3.0 and 2.4 \AA , respectively, for non-bonded interaction of this type.

Although the molecule has none of the symmetry elements, the bond lengths and angles of the chemically equivalent bonds agree well with each other. The angle between planes II and III is slightly different from that between planes II and IV, and this is attributed to the difference between the molecular environments of the two dicyanomethylene groups.

Molecular packing

The arrangement of the molecule is shown in Figs. 5 and 6 and intermolecular distances less than 3.6 \AA are listed in Table 8. The molecules, I and VII, related by a glide plane perpendicular to the a axis stack each other along the b axis. The plane of the benzenoid ring makes an angle of 69° with the b axis. The shortest $C \cdots C$ contact is 3.377 \AA [$C(7) \cdots C(9)$ in VII], which is slightly shorter than the van der Waals contact. All

other contacts are of the van der Waals type. The shortest intermolecular approach, 3.183 \AA , occurs between $N(3) \cdots C(12)$ in IV, which is close to the sum of the van der Waals radii.

Table 8. Intermolecular distances less than 3.6 \AA

I	x	y	z	V	$1-x$	$-y$	$-z$
II	$\frac{1}{2}+x$	$-\frac{1}{2}-y$	$-z$	VI	$1-x$	$-1-y$	$-z$
III	$-\frac{1}{2}+x$	$-\frac{1}{2}-y$	$-z$	VII	$\frac{1}{2}-x$	$\frac{1}{2}+y$	z
IV	$1-x$	$\frac{1}{2}+y$	$\frac{1}{2}-z$	VIII	$\frac{3}{2}-x$	$\frac{1}{2}+y$	z

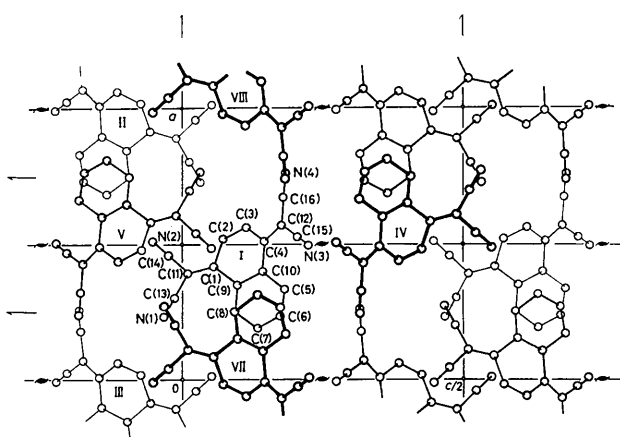


Fig. 5. Projection of the structure along the b axis.

Atom [in molecule (I)]	to atom	in molecule	d
C(2)	N(1)	II	3.448 (5) \AA
C(7)	N(2)	III	3.395 (5)
C(8)	N(2)	III	3.383 (5)
N(3)	C(4)	IV	3.503 (5)
N(3)	C(5)	IV	3.473 (5)
N(3)	C(12)	IV	3.183 (5)
N(3)	C(15)	IV	3.318 (6)
C(1)	C(14)	V	3.491 (5)
C(1)	N(2)	V	3.539 (5)
C(4)	N(2)	V	3.460 (5)
C(10)	N(2)	V	3.555 (5)
C(9)	N(2)	V	3.547 (5)
C(2)	N(2)	VI	3.444 (5)
C(5)	C(7)	VII	3.421 (5)
C(6)	C(7)	VII	3.536 (5)
C(6)	C(8)	VII	3.542 (5)
C(7)	C(8)	VII	3.438 (5)
C(7)	C(9)	VII	3.377 (5)
C(7)	C(1)	VII	3.581 (5)
N(3)	C(6)	VII	3.467 (5)
N(3)	C(7)	VII	3.500 (5)
N(1)	C(11)	VII	3.350 (5)
N(1)	C(13)	VII	3.279 (6)
N(1)	C(14)	VII	3.264 (5)
N(4)	C(3)	VIII	3.553 (6)

All crystallographic computations were performed on the HITAC 5020E computer of the Computer Centre of the University of Tokyo using the Universal Crystallographic Computation Program System 5020

UNICS (Crystallographic Society of Japan, 1967). Fig. 2 was drawn using ORTEP (Johnson, 1965).

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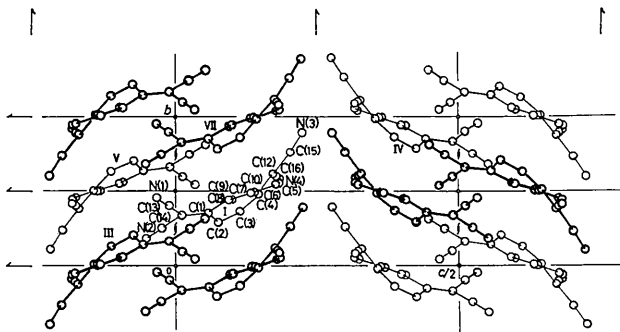


Fig. 6. Projection of the structure along the *a* axis.

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The Crystal Structures of Dichlorobis-(2,3-dimethylpyridine)copper(II) and Dibromobis-(2,3-dimethylpyridine)copper(II)

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Dichlorobis-(2,3-dimethylpyridine)copper(II) [$=\text{CuL}_2\text{Cl}_2$] and dibromobis-(2,3-dimethylpyridine)copper(II) [$=\text{CuL}_2\text{Br}_2$] are isotypic with the following monoclinic unit-cell dimensions: CuL_2Cl_2 : $a=7.461$ (4), $b=14.80$ (1), $c=7.879$ (6) Å, $\beta=110.11$ (5)°; CuL_2Br_2 : $a=7.566$ (5), $b=15.33$ (2), $c=7.899$ (6) Å, $\beta=109.72$ (6)°. The space group is $P2_1/c$. The structure determination from Patterson and Fourier syntheses was followed by a full-matrix least-squares refinement including anisotropic thermal parameters. For CuL_2Cl_2 the final R value for 961 observed Weissenberg reflexions was 6.8%, whereas for 831 observed Weissenberg reflexions of CuL_2Br_2 a R value of 7.6% was obtained. The structures consist of isolated CuL_2Cl_2 (CuL_2Br_2) units with exactly planar, *trans* square coordination of the copper atom. The Cu-Cl distance is 2.25 Å, the Cu-Br distance is 2.39 Å and the Cu-N distance is 1.98 Å. The fact that there are no further ligands in the neighbourhood of the copper atom which would lead to its common distorted octahedral coordination is attributed to the steric influence of the methyl groups in the α position to the nitrogen atoms.

Introduction

Ludwig & Gasser (1969) reported on the preparation and on spectroscopical investigations on copper(II) complexes of the general formula CuL_2X_2 and

CuL_4X_2 where L stands for a unidentate substituted pyridine or piperidine base and X for a halide.

For complexes containing unsubstituted pyridine they found a microsymmetry of D_{2h} with a distorted octahedron consisting of two pyridine, two equatorial