resolution instrument D1A. Furthermore the profile for $\mathrm{CeF}_{3}$ was calculated at intervals of $0.05^{\circ}$. In this case the isotropic temperature factors of the F atoms were individually refined. The arguments in favour of $P \overline{3} c 1$ are the same as with $\mathrm{LaF}_{3}$. Final coordinates and temperature factors are given in Table 2 and the profile is shown in Fig. 2.

Table 3. Interatomic distances for $\mathrm{LaF}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{CeF}_{3}$

|  | $\mathrm{LaF}_{3}$ | $\mathrm{CeF}_{3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Ln}-2 \mathrm{~F}(2)$ | $2.421(5)$ | $2.400(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ln}-1 \mathrm{~F}(3)$ | $2.436(8)$ | $2.419(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ln}-2 \mathrm{~F}(1)$ | $2.467(4)$ | $2.445(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ln}-2 \mathrm{~F}(1)$ | $2.482(4)$ | $2.460(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ln}-2 \mathrm{~F}(1)$ | $2.638(8)$ | $2.621(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ln}-2 \mathrm{~F}(1)$ | $2.999(5)$ | $2.974(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{F}(1)-1 \mathrm{~F}(1)$ | $2.575(6)$ | $2.532(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{F}(1)-1 \mathrm{~F}(1)$ | $2.688(7)$ | $2.677(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{F}(1)-1 \mathrm{~F}(2)$ | $2.694(4)$ | $2.668(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{F}(1)-2 \mathrm{~F}(1)$ | $2.746(6)$ | $2.719(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{F}(1)-1 \mathrm{~F}(3)$ | $2.755(5)$ | $2.728(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{F}(1)-1 \mathrm{~F}(2)$ | $2.776(5)$ | $2.761(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{F}(1)-1 \mathrm{~F}(2)$ | $2.868(4)$ | $2.855(3)$ |

## Discussion

Taken with the indirect evidence our results confirm that the structures of $\mathrm{LaF}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{CeF}_{3}$ are correctly described by $P \overline{3} c l$ and the important interatomic distances are given in Table 3. The coordination sphere of La contains nine F atoms at distances between 2.421 and $2.638 \AA$, with two more distant neighbours at $2.999 \AA$. The coordination around Ce is the same except that the distances are shorter because of the
smaller ionic radius of $\mathrm{Ce}^{3+}$. Distances for $\mathrm{CeF}_{3}$ have been calculated with our cell constants, those for $\mathrm{LaF}_{3}$ with the values of Zalkin \& Templeton (1953).

The neutron results of $\mathrm{LaF}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{CeF}_{3}$ are strikingly similar (Table 2). Considering the very short counting time, the restricted number of data points and the low resolution in the $\mathrm{LaF}_{3}$ experiment, the results compare very favourably with those on $\mathrm{CeF}_{3}$. It is clear that profile analysis of data collected on the low resolution instrument D2 affords a rapid and reliable method for refining simple crystal structures of this type. The higher resolution and thus the more reliable determination of the background gives however a higher precision for the temperature factor refinement.

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# The Crystal and Molecular Structure of $N, N^{\prime}$-Ethylenebis(thiosalicylideneiminato)cobalt(II), the Sulphur Analogue of a Molecular Oxygen Carrier, $N, N^{\prime}$-Ethylenebis(salicylideneiminato)cobalt (II) 

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The structure of $N, N^{\prime}$-ethylenebis(thiosalicylideneiminato)cobalt(II) has been determined from 2727 diffractometer data and refined by least-squares methods to $R=0.041$. The compound crystallizes in the monoclinic space group $P 2_{1} / c$ with $a=13 \cdot 978(6), b=15 \cdot 173(7), c=7 \cdot 103(4) \AA, \beta=98 \cdot 14(8)^{\circ}, D_{m}=1 \cdot 57$, $D_{c}=1.59 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$ for $Z=4$. The molecules associate to form centrosymmetric dimers, similar to those in $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{salen})$. The coordination about Co is best described as square-pyramidal with the metal atom raised $0 \cdot 181(1) \AA$ out of the basal plane toward the apical $S$ atom. The Co-S(apical) length is $2 \cdot 444(1) \AA$.

## Introduction

Synthetic molecular oxygen carriers are the object of much study (Basolo, 1974; Henrici-Olivé \& Olivé,
1974). $N, N^{\prime}$-Ethylenebis(salicylideneiminato)cobalt(II), Co(salen), the 'active form' of which absorbs molecular oxygen reversibly in the solid state as well as in solution has undergone extensive investigation (Bayer \&

Schretzmann, 1967), several of the inactive (Brückner, Calligaris, Nardin \& Randaccio, 1969; de Iasi, Post \& Holt, 1971; Calligaris, Minichelli, Nardin \& Randaccio, 1970) and active forms (Schaefer \& Marsh, 1969; Calligaris et al., 1970) being well characterized by X-ray analysis. The active forms bind dioxygen end-on at the sixth coordination site, the fifth site being occupied by a nitrogen donor.
$N, N^{\prime}$-Ethylenebis(thiosalicylideneiminato)cobalt(II), $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{S}$-salen), is inactive to oxygenation in the solid state and displays several dissimilar properties to the O analogue (van den Bergen, Corrigan, Murray, Slade \& West, 1974), the structure of the oxygen complex being dimeric (Brückner et al., 1969; de Iasi, et al., 1971). This paper reports the crystal and molecular structure of $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{S}$-salen $)$,* which preliminary photography had shown not to be isostructural with $\operatorname{Co(salen).}$

## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{2} \mathrm{Co}, \quad M=357 \cdot 4$, monoclinic, $a=13.978$ (6), $b=15 \cdot 173$ (7), $c=7 \cdot 103$ (4) $\AA, \beta=98 \cdot 14$ ( 8$)^{\circ}, U=$ $1491 \cdot 0 \AA^{3} . D_{m}=1.57$ (2) $\mathrm{g} \mathrm{cm}^{-3}$ (by flotation), $Z=4$, $D_{c}=1.59 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3} . F(000)=732, \mu=14.6 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ for Mo $K \alpha$ radiation ( $\lambda=0.7107 \AA$ ). Space group $P 2_{1} / c$ (No. 14) from systematic absences: $h 0 l, l$ odd; $0 k 0$, $k$ odd. Cell parameters were determined with a Philips PW 1100 X-ray diffractometer computer program (Gatehouse \& Miskin, 1974).

## Intensity measurements

Intensities were collected from a single crystal, $0.34 \times$ $0.33 \times 0.15 \mathrm{~mm}$, with graphite-monochromated Mo $K \alpha$ radiation. A unique data set was collected out to 20 (Mo $K \alpha$ ) $=56^{\circ}$ by the $\omega$ scan technique, with a symmetric scan range of $\pm 0.75^{\circ}$ in $\omega$ (with an allowance for dispersion) from the calculated Bragg angle at a scan rate of $0.05^{\circ} \mathrm{s}^{-1}$. Only one reflexion was sufficiently strong to require the insertion of an attenuation filter.

3590 independent reflexions were measured; 2727 obeyed the condition $F_{o}^{2}>3 \sigma\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)$ and were used in the subsequent calculations. Three standard reflexions, monitored at two-hourly intervals, showed no systematic variations.

The data were processed with a program specifically designed for the diffractometer (Hornstra \& Stubbe, 1972). Background-corrected intensities were assigned standard deviations according to

$$
\sigma(I)=\left[C T+\left(t_{c} / t_{b}\right)^{2}\left(B_{1}+B_{2}\right)+(\varrho I)^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}
$$

where $C T$ is the total integrated peak count obtained in scan time $t_{c} ; B_{1}$ and $B_{2}$ are background counts each obtained in time $\frac{1}{2} t_{b}$, and $I=C T-\left(t_{c} / t_{b}\right)\left(B_{1}+B_{2}\right)$. The value of $\varrho$ was taken as 0.04 (Corfield, Doedens \&

[^0]Ibers, 1967). Values of $I$ and $\sigma(I)$ were then corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects but not for extinction or absorption.

## Structure determination and refinement

In the least-squares refinement the function minimized was $\sum w\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right)^{2}$, where $w$ is $1 / \sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}\right)$. Scattering factors were those of Cromer \& Waber (1965) for Co, S,N,C and Ibers (1962) for H , and the major programs used were $M O N L S$, a modified version of the fullmatrix least-squares program of Busing, Martin \& Levy (1962); MONDLS, a block-diagonal least-squares program based on that of Shiono (1968) and the Fourier summation program of White (1965). Diagrams were drawn by ORTEP (Johnson, 1965). All major calculations were performed on the Monash University CDC 3200 computer.

Solution of the Patterson map yielded coordinates of the Co and S atoms, and a structure-factor calculation based on these positions gave $R_{1}=0.375, R_{2}=$ 0.443 where

$$
R_{1}=\sum| | F_{o}\left|-\left|F_{c}\right| \| / \sum\right| F_{o} \mid
$$

and

$$
R_{2}=\left[\sum w\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right)^{2} / \sum w\left|F_{o}\right|^{2}\right]^{1 / 2} .
$$

A difference synthesis revealed all remaining non-hydrogen atoms and inclusion of these with all atoms assigned isotropic temperature factors of $3.0 \AA^{2}$ gave $R_{1}=0 \cdot 278, R_{2}=0 \cdot 284$. After three cycles of full-matrix least-squares refinement the positional and isotropic temperature factors converged to give $R_{1}=0.092$ and $R_{2}=0 \cdot 116$. Anisotropic thermal parameters were then introduced for all atoms and after several block-diagonal least-squares cycles all parameters converged to give $R_{1}=0.047, R_{2}=0.063$.

A difference synthesis revealed the H atoms except those on the C atoms of the ethylenediamine bridge, which were included at idealized positions [Table 1, C-H $0.95 \AA$, Churchill (1973)], with isotropic thermal parameters of $5 \cdot 0 \AA^{2}$. Block-diagonal refinement was continued with fixed H parameters and was considered complete when no parameter shift was greater than $0 \cdot 1 \sigma$. The final residuals were for observed reflexions $R_{1}=0.041, R_{2}=0.052$; for all reflexions $R_{1}=0.060$,

Table 1. Idealized $H$ atom positions ( $\times 10^{3}$ )

|  | $x / a$ | $y / b$ | $z / c$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{C} 2)^{*}$ | 355 | 436 | 304 |
| $\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{C} 3)$ | 511 | 399 | 470 |
| $\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{C} 4)$ | 527 | 329 | 768 |
| $\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{C} 5)$ | 391 | 305 | 913 |
| $\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{C} 7)$ | 230 | 307 | 926 |
| $\mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{C} 2^{\prime}\right)$ | -187 | 474 | -11 |
| $\mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{C} 3^{\prime}\right)$ | -347 | 427 | -79 |
| $\mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{C}^{\prime}\right)$ | -421 | 352 | 153 |
| $\mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{C}^{\prime}\right)$ | -330 | 313 | 438 |
| $\mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{C}^{\prime}\right)$ | -195 | 324 | 662 |

[^1]Table 2. Final positional parameters $\left(\times 10^{4}\right)$ and anisotropic thermal parameters $\left[\times 10^{3} ; \times 10^{4}\right.$ for $\mathrm{Co}, \mathrm{S}(1)$ and $\mathrm{S}(2)$ ] of the non-hydrogen atoms
Estimated standard deviations are in parentheses. The temperature factor is of the form

|  | $x / a$ | $y / b$ | $z / c$ | $U_{11}$ | $U_{22}$ | $U_{33}$ | $U_{12}$ | $U_{13}$ | $U_{23}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Co | 462 (1) | 4030 (1) | 5445 (1) | 339 (4) | 198 (4) | 174 (3) | 16 (3) | 44 (2) | 11 (3) |
| S(1) | 1688 (1) | 4201 (1) | 3836 (2) | 366 (8) | 408 (8) | 302 (7) | 54 (6) | 97 (6) | 41 (6) |
| S(2) | -397 (1) | 4569 (1) | 2876 (2) | 358 (7) | 229 (6) | 178 (6) | 3 (5) | 27 (5) | 0 (5) |
| N(1) | 1225 (4) | 3492 (3) | 7592 (6) | 47 (3) | 27 (2) | 25 (2) | 6 (2) | 1 (2) | 5 (6) |
| N(2) | -638 (3) | 3565 (3) | 6446 (6) | 42 (3) | 29 (2) | 24 (2) | -4(2) | 8 (2) | 2 (2) |
| C(1) | 2788 (4) | 3928 (4) | 5174 (9) | 36 (3) | 34 (3) | 51 (4) | 3 (3) | 4 (3) | -7 (3) |
| C(2) | 3617 (5) | 4088 (5) | 4318 (12) | 43 (4) | 62 (5) | 77 (4) | 0 (4) | 18 (4) | 2 (4) |
| C(3) | 4534 (6) | 3872 (7) | 5248 (15) | 38 (4) | 90 (7) | 108 (7) | $-1(4)$ | 9 (5) | -8 (6) |
| C(4) | 4637 (6) | 3471 (7) | 7016 (15) | 43 (4) | 83 (6) | 106 (7) | 7 (4) | -13 (4) | -15 (6) |
| C(5) | 3838 (6) | 3318 (6) | 7887 (12) | 50 (4) | 70 (5) | 72 (5) | 7 (4) | -18 (4) | -6 (4) |
| C(6) | 2902 (5) | 3504 (4) | 6997 (9) | 40 (3) | 36 (3) | 50 (4) | 4 (3) | -5 (3) | -6 (3) |
| C(7) | 2125 (5) | 3349 (4) | 8056 (9) | 59 (4) | 38 (3) | 33 (3) | 9 (3) | -8(3) | 1 (3) |
| C(8) | 604 (6) | 3244 (7) | 9046 (10) | 60 (5) | 129 (8) | 38 (4) | 22 (5) | 17 (3) | 45 (5) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | - 1592 (4) | 4196 (4) | 2561 (8) | 38 (3) | 24 (3) | 30 (3) | -1(2) | 0 (2) | -5 (2) |
| C( $2^{\prime}$ ) | -2153 (5) | 4403 (5) | 809 (10) | 53 (4) | 47 (4) | 40 (4) | -4(3) | -7 (3) | 3 (3) |
| C(3') | -3103 (6) | 4140 (6) | 428 (11) | 56 (5) | 74 (6) | 60 (5) | -12 (4) | -25 (4) | 6 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | -3532 (5) | 3682 (6) | 1747 (13) | 37 (4) | 87 (6) | 79 (6) | - 14 (4) | -6 (4) | 2 (5) |
| C(5) | -3000 (5) | 3476 (5) | 3479 (11) | 39 (4) | 64 (5) | 62 (5) | - 10 (4) | 7 (3) | 1 (4) |
| C(6) | - 2025 (4) | 3733 (4) | 3922 (9) | 39 (3) | 35 (3) | 38 (3) | -3 (3) | 5 (3) | -7 (3) |
| C(7') | -1541 (5) | 3485 (4) | 5769 (8) | 47 (4) | 37 (3) | 36 (3) | -7 (3) | 14 (3) | 1 (3) |
| C(8) | -354 (6) | 3181 (8) | 8379 (10) | 63 (5) | 177 (11) | 35 (4) | -30 (6) | -3(4) | 52 (6) |

$R_{2}=0.057$.* A final difference synthesis had no major characteristics greater than $0.5 \mathrm{e}^{\AA^{-3}}$. Final positional

[^2]Table 3. Bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) and selected angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$, with estimated standard deviations in parentheses

| Co-S(1) | $2 \cdot 206$ (2) | $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $84 \cdot 2$ (1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $2 \cdot 195$ (1) | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $86 \cdot 2$ (2) |
| $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 1.915 (4) | S(1)--Co--N(1) | 94.4 (2) |
| $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 1.918 (4) | $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $94 \cdot 2$ (1) |
| S(1)--C(1) | 1.739 (6) | $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 112.4 (2) |
| S(2)--C(1) | 1.748 (6) | $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 112.7 (2) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1 \cdot 273$ (9) | $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $134 \cdot 2$ (4) |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | 1.291 (8) | $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $110 \cdot 3$ (4) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1 \cdot 488$ (10) | $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | 133.6 (4) |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | $1 \cdot 492$ (9) | $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | 111.2 (4) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $125 \cdot 2$ (5) |
| $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 2.444 (1) | $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | 124.9 (4) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)$ | $120 \cdot 6$ (7) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1 \cdot 404$ (10) | $\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $121 \cdot 1$ (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1 \cdot 395$ (11) | $\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | 119.4 (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 1.385 (15) | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | 121.2 (7) |
| C(4)-C(5) | $1 \cdot 371$ (13) | $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 118.9 (6) |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 1.411 (10) | $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 118.7 (6) |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1 \cdot 411$ (9) | $\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | 124.6 (5) |
| C(6)-C(7) | $1 \cdot 435$ (10) | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 114.4 (7) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 1.409 (9) | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 128.5 (6) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)$ | 1.376 (11) | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | 128.6 (6) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $1 \cdot 371$ (13) | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $120 \cdot 9$ (7) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | $1 \cdot 380$ (11) | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $120 \cdot 2$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $1 \cdot 410$ (9) | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $119 \cdot 8$ (9) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 1.400 (9) | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 121.4 (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | 1.438 (8) | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 119.2 (6) |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | 1.359 (11) | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 118.5 (6) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $124 \cdot 7$ (6) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | 114.7 (7) |

and thermal parameters are in Table 2, with their estimated standard deviations derived from the inverse least-squares matrix. Bond lengths and angles are in Table 3.

## Results and discussion

The asymmetric unit contains one $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{salen})$ unit, but the structure can be more accurately described as

## Table 4. Equations of least-squares planes and distances of individual atoms $(\AA)$ from the planes

$X, Y$ and $Z$ are coordinates in $\AA$ referred to an orthogonal system of axes having $X$ along a, $Y$ in the $a b$ plane and $Z$ along $c^{*}$. Fractional coordinates $x, y, z$ in the system are related to $X, Y, Z$ by the matrix equation
$\left[\begin{array}{ccc}13.978 & 0 & -1.006 \\ 0 & 15.172 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 7.031\end{array}\right] \quad\left[\begin{array}{c}x \\ y \\ z\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}X \\ Y \\ Z\end{array}\right]$
(I) Plane through $\mathrm{S}(1), \mathrm{S}(2), \mathrm{N}(1), \mathrm{N}(2)$

|  | $0.0071 X-0.8937 Y-0.4485 Z+7.0003=0$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Co | $-0.181(1)$ | $\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $-0.109(1)$ |
|  |  | $\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $-0.122(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)$ | $0.108(1)$ | $\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $0.123(4)$ |

(II) Plane through $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7), \mathrm{S}(1)$
$-0.0240 X-0.9109 Y-0.4120 Z+6.9943=0$

| $\mathrm{S}(1)$ | $0.030(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $0.027(11)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $-0.014(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $0.015(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $-0.017(8)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $-0.005(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $-0.017(11)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $-0.019(6)$ |

(III) Plane through $\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right), \mathrm{S}(2)$

$$
0 \cdot 3415 X-0.8605 Y-0.3780 Z+7 \cdot 0156=0
$$

| $\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $-0.003(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $-0.002(9)$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.009(6)$ | $\left.\mathrm{C} 5^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.001(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $-0.003(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $-0.002(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.001(9)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | $-0.001(6)$ |

being built of discrete centrosymmetric dimers (Fig. 1), the dimeric structure being essentially the same as in the inactive form of $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{salen})$ (Brückner et al., 1969; de Iasi et al., 1971). Fig. 1 also indicates the labelling of the atoms. Dimerization occurs through the sharing of one $S$ atom from each S -salen ligand, with two Co atoms, the Co-S apical bond being $2 \cdot 444$ (1) $\AA$. The Co $\cdots$ Co distance in the dimer is $3 \cdot 24 \AA$.

Coordination about Co is best described as square pyramidal with the metal atom displaced $0 \cdot 181$ (1) $\AA$
from the plane of the four coordinating atoms towards the apical S atom of the second molecule (Table 4).

In Co (salen) the $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{O}$ lengths differ by $0.07 \AA$, the lengthening being ascribed to the additional coordination bond in which one of the O atoms is involved, but in the present compound there is no significant difference between the two Co-S bonds, 2.206 (2) and $2 \cdot 195$ (1) $\AA$, but they are longer than that found in the monomeric $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{II})$ complex, $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{SacSac})_{2}, 2 \cdot 16 \AA$ (Beckett \& Hoskins, 1967).



Fig. 1. A stereoscopic view of the molecular dimer. Thermal ellipsoids for all atoms have been drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.


Fig. 2. Molecular packing diagrams, viewed down $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{c}$ respectively.

The difference in length between the $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ bridge bond and the Co-S(1) coordination bond is ca $0.24 \AA$, whereas in the O analogue the difference is $c a 0.35 \AA$, implying that the S dimer is more strongly bonded. This may explain why Co (S-salen) is not coordinated by pyridine and its low oxygen sensitivity in solution (van den Bergen et al., 1974) compared with Co(salen).

Bond lengths within the ligand, excluding the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{S}$ lengths which are normal (Table 3), are essentially the same as those found in the salen ligand in several related complexes (Calligaris, Nardin \& Randaccio, 1972), the major apparent exception being the very short $\mathrm{C}(8)-$ $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ length, $1 \cdot 359$ (11) $\AA$. This shortening is due to considerable librational movement of these two atoms, as can be seen in Fig. 1. Correction of the bond length for this thermal motion (Busing, Martin \& Levy, 1964) yields the more reasonable value, 1.498 (8) $\AA$. It is not apparent at this stage if this anomalous behaviour is due entirely to thermal motion or slight disorder of the ethylenic C atoms.

Bond angles around Co are similar to those in Co (salen), $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}$ being slightly closed in comparison with $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{O}$ and the other three coordination angles being slightly more open compared with those in Co (salen). Bond angles within the S -salen ligand are comparable to those in the salen ligand of Co(salen) (Brückner et al., 1969) with three notable differences. The Co-S-C angles (Table 3) have closed by more than $10^{\circ}$ compared with the corresponding angles in Co (salen) $\left[128 \cdot 4(10)\right.$ and $\left.123 \cdot 2(8)^{\circ}\right]$, and the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 7\left(\mathrm{C}^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C} 6$ ( $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}$ ) angles have opened by $c a 4^{\circ}$. These differences may be ascribed to the dissimilarity in coordination and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{X}$ ( $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{S}$ or O ) lengths in $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{S}$-salen) and Co (salen), the remainder of the ligand being relatively rigid, due to electron delocalization, and less capable of dissipating bond length change. The other deviation in bond angle is around the ethylenic $\mathrm{C}(8)$ and $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$, these angles having opened up some $8^{\circ}$ with respect to the corresponding angles in Co (salen). This change may not be significant because of the large thermal excursions of these atoms.

Table 5. Intermolecular distances $(\AA)$ within the dimeric unit

Second atom is related to the first by the symmetry code $-x, 1-y, 1-z$.

| $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | 2.445 | $\mathrm{~S}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 3.584 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{Co}$ | 3.240 | $\mathrm{~S}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.717 |
| $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.333 | $\mathrm{~S}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 3.975 |
| $\mathrm{Co}--\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 3.908 | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.774 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.517 | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.786 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.530 | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.705 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.547 | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.926 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(1)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | 3.659 | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.958 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 3.688 | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.504 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(2)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 3.162 | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.812 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 3.185 | $\mathrm{~N}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.549 |
| $\mathrm{~S}(2)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | 3.331 | $\mathrm{~N}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.571 |

The closest intermolecular approach between dimers is $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ $\mathrm{N}(2)\left(x, \frac{1}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z\right) 3 \cdot 488 \AA$; the closest $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}$ contact between dimers is $\mathrm{Co}-\mathrm{S}(1)\left(x, \frac{1}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z\right)$ of $5 \cdot 62 \AA$.

The close approach of the two molecules in the dimer necessitates the bending away of the two halves of the S-salen ligand in an umbrella conformation, the angle between the two planes (Table 4) being $21 \cdot 4^{\circ}$, which is very similar to the $22.2^{\circ}$ found in Co (salen). Intermolecular contact distances less than $4.0 \AA$ in the dimer are in Table 5. Fig. 2 gives a view of the packing down each axial direction, indicating that within the crystal, as in Co (salen), no voids are present, thus rendering the complex, in the solid state, less susceptible to oxygen attack.

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