cite, $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{Mn}_{7} \mathrm{Si}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{14}, \mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{av}}=2 \cdot 22 \AA$ (Moore, 1970). Similarly $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{av}}$ for the oxygens associated with $\mathrm{M}(1)$ in senaite, $3 \cdot 15 \AA$, compares closely with an $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{av}}=$ $3 \cdot 12 \AA$ in leucophoenicite. The coordination around the Mn atom in senaite is almost perfect octahedral, with six equivalent $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{O}$ distances, and with a variation in the $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{O}$ angles from 87.4 to $92 \cdot 6^{\circ}$.
The mean M-O distance for the tetrahedrally coordinated metal atom $\mathrm{M}(2)$ is $2.00 \AA$. This value is very close to the sum of the ionic radii for tetrahedrally coordinated $\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}$ and $\mathrm{O}^{2-}$, i.e. $2 \cdot 01 \AA$ (Shannon \& Prewitt, 1969) and agrees with the value of $2.00 \AA$ found for $\left(\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}-\mathrm{O}\right)_{\mathrm{tet}}$ in titanomagnetite (Stout \& Bayliss, 1975). The coordination polyhedron around $\mathrm{M}(2)$ is very regular with angles $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{M}(2)-\mathrm{O}$ in the narrow range 107.0 to $111.7^{\circ}$ and with apical and basal $\mathrm{M}(2)-\mathrm{O}$ distances equal within experimental error. The three largest metal ions, $\mathrm{Pb}^{2+}, \mathrm{Mn}^{2+}$, and $\mathrm{Fe}^{2+}$, are all ordered into sites on the trigonal axis (Fig. 4), and all have very regular coordination polyhedra. On the other hand, the largest distortions in the structure are associated with the smallest cations, $\mathrm{Ti}^{4+}$, in the $\mathrm{M}(4)$ and $\mathrm{M}(5)$ sites. The distortion of the $\mathrm{M}(5)-\mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedron is much greater than that for the $\mathrm{M}(4)-\mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedron; the degree of distortion is related to the type and symmetry of the articulated polyhedra. Thus $\mathrm{M}(4)-\mathrm{O}_{6}$ shares edges with three other octahedra and corners with four octahedra and one tetrahedron and has $\Delta \mathrm{M}-\mathrm{O}=0.13 \AA$ and $\Delta \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{O}=17.51^{\circ}$. The $\mathrm{M}(5)-\mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedron shares edges with four octahedra and corners with four octahedra and two tetrahedra. Its range of metal-oxygen distances and oxygen-metal-oxygen angles is $0.27 \AA$ and $26.44^{\circ}$ respectively.

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# The Crystal and Molecular Structure of $\mu$-Chloro-di- $\mu$-phenylthio-di[hydridobis(triphenylphosphine)iridium(III)] Perchlorate 

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$\mu$-Chloro-di- $\mu$-phenylthio-di[hydridobis(triphenylphosphine)iridium(III)] perchlorate crystallizes with three molecules of acetone in space group $P 2_{1}$ with $a=15.013$ (3), $b=12.918$ (1), $c=22.044$ (4) $\AA, \beta=$ $91.94(1)^{\circ}, Z=2$. The structure was solved by Patterson and Fourier techniques and refined by fullmatrix least-squares calculations to final values of $R$ and $R_{w}$ of 0.050 and 0.070 for 7564 observed reflexions. The molecule contains two Ir atoms bridged by a $\mathrm{Cl}[\mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{Cl}=2 \cdot 558$ (2) $\AA$ ] and by the S atoms of two phenylthiol ligands [mean $\mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{S}=2.407$ (7) $\AA$ ]. The remaining three sites on each approximately octahedrally coordinated Ir atom are filled by two triphenylphosphine groups [mean Ir-P=2.329 (3) $\AA$ ] and a hydride.

## Introduction

The dimeric iridium(III) hydride complex $\left[\mathrm{IrHCl}(\mathrm{SPh})\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)_{2}\right]_{2}(1)$ (Herdé \& Senoff, 1973) reacts
with chloroform or dichloroethane to form an offwhite powder (2) whose structure could not be elucidated by standard chemical techniques. Reaction of (1) with $\mathrm{AgClO}_{4}$ in acetone under reflux, followed by
the removal of AgCl yielded a yellow solution from which a crystalline material (3) could be obtained. In order to elucidate the structure of (2) an X-ray analysis of (3) was carried out, and we report here the results.

Unit-cell and space-group data were obtained by photographic and diffractometer methods, the lattice parameters being determined by least-squares treatment of the $\theta$ values for 12 reflexions measured with Mo $K \alpha$ radiation on the diffractometer.

## Experimental

The crystals are yellow plates of irregular hexagonal cross-section elongated along $\mathbf{b}$. The crystal used in the analysis had dimensions $0.19 \times 0.26 \times 0.56 \mathrm{~mm}$.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{C}_{84} \mathrm{H}_{72} \mathrm{ClIr}_{2} \mathrm{P}_{4} \mathrm{~S}_{2}\right]^{+}\left[\mathrm{ClO}_{4}\right]^{-} .3 \mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ O. F.W. 1963•1, monoclinic, $a=15.013$ (3), $b=12 \cdot 918$ (1), $c=22.044$ (4) $\AA, \beta=91.94(1)^{\circ}, V=4272.7 \AA^{3}, Z=2, D_{x}=1.53, D_{m}=$

Table 1. Final fractional coordinates ( $\times 10^{5}$ for iridium, $10^{4}$ others) and isotropic temperature factors $\left(\times 10^{3}\right)$

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U$ |  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\operatorname{Ir}(1)$ | 21380 (5) | 25000 | 32930 (4) |  | C(136) | -446 | 4545 | 3763 |
| Ir(2) | 28080 (5) | 30123 (9) | 18771 (4) |  | $\mathrm{C}(131)$ | 20 | 3684 | 3602 |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | 1366 (4) | 2219 (4) | 2255 (2) |  | $\mathrm{C}(212)$ | 3138 | 945 | 4600 |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ | 2764 (6) | 2197 (9) | 7423 (4) |  | C(213) | 3546 | 601 | 5146 |
| S(1) | 3316 (3) | 1869 (4) | 2674 (3) |  | $\mathrm{C}(214)$ | 3171 | -255 | 5450 |
| S(2) | 2474 (3) | 4054 (4) | 2751 (2) |  | C(215) | 2389 | -769 | 5208 |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)$ | 1169 (3) | 3454 (5) | 3874 (2) |  | C(216) | 1982 | -426 | 4662 |
| P (2) | 1839 (4) | 832 (4) | 3634 (3) |  | C(211) | 2357 | 431 | 4358 |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)$ | 2072 (4) | 4157 (5) | 1213 (3) |  | C(222) | 2938 | -869 | 3342 |
| $\mathrm{P}(4)$ | 3380 (4) | 1862 (5) | 1176 (3) |  | C(223) | 3283 | -1665 | 2975 |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 3578 (17) | 2511 (23) | 7702 (12) | 175 (8) | $\mathrm{C}^{\mathrm{C}(224)}$ | 2949 | -1766 | 2392 |
| (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2175 |
| O(2) | 2980 (15) | 1426 (24) | 6895 (12) | 152 (8) | C(226) | 1924 | -275 | 2542 |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 2407 (16) | 3263 (25) | 7208 (13) | 206 (9) | C(221) | 2258 | -174 | 3126 |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | 2163 (19) | 1852 (30) | 7909 (15) | 237 (10) | C(232) | 268 | 785 | 4256 |
| O(5) | 3802 (18) | 3422 (26) | 5093 (14) | 209 (10) | C(233) | -623 | 622 | 4351 |
| O (6) | 7497 (19) | 3147 (28) | 1250 (15) | 247 (10) | C(234) | -1119 | 121 | 3909 |
| O(7) | 8840 (19) | 460 (27) | 900 (15) | 242 (10) | C(235) | -723 | -219 | 3371 |
| C(1) | 5206 (22) | 2914 (32) | 5387 (16) | 142 (11) | C(236) | 168 | -56 | 3276 |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 4442 (25) | 3437 (32) | 5531 (18) | 143 (12) | C(231) | 664 | 445 | 3718 |
| C(3) | 4211 (28) | 3653 (42) | 6148 (20) | 196 (15) | $\mathrm{C}(312)$ | 464 | 3158 | 836 |
| C(4) | 6458 (25) | 4538 (35) | 1468 (18) | 189 (13) | C(313) | -86 | 2542 | 463 |
| C(5) | 7268 (27) | 4187 (37) | 1285 (20) | 163 (13) | C(314) | 264 | 2219 | -100 |
| C(6) | 8074 (24) | 4832 (33) | 1257 (17) | 143 (11) | C(315) | 1164 | 2511 | -290 |
| C(7) | 8942 (27) | 1015 (39) | 1822 (20) | 218 (14) | C(316) | 1714 | 3127 | 83 |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 8737 (25) | 128 (36) | 1522 (20) | 186 (13) | $\mathrm{C}(311)$ | 1364 | 3450 | 646 |
| C(9) | 9514 (25) | -685 (36) | 1715 (19) | 177 (13) | $\mathrm{C}(322)$ | 2432 | 5458 | 256 |
|  |  |  |  |  | C(323) | 2924 | 6177 | -62 |
| C(12) | 4936 | 2944 | 2770 |  | C(324) | 3712 | 6510 | 165 |
| C(13) | 5855 | 3082 | 3012 |  | C(325) | 4008 | 6124 | 711 |
| $\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 6181 | 2459 | 3466 |  | $\mathrm{C}(326)$ | 3516 | 5404 | 1030 |
| C(15) | 5588 | 1696 | 3678 |  | $\mathrm{C}(321)$ | 2728 | 5071 | 802 |
| C(16) | 4669 | 1558 | 3435 |  | C(332) | 686 | 4764 | 1933 |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 4344 | 2182 | 2982 |  | C(333) | 79 | 5462 | 2175 |
| C(22) | 3836 | 5485 | 2659 |  | C(334) | 125 | 6509 | 2051 |
| C(23) | 4622 | 6023 | 2848 |  | C(335) | 779 | 6858 | 1686 |
| C(24) | 5042 | 5733 | 3408 |  | C(336) | 1386 | 6160 | 1444 |
| C(25) | 4676 | 4904 | 3778 |  | $\mathrm{C}(331)$ | 1340 | 5113 | 1568 |
| C(26) | 3890 | 4366 | 3589 |  | $\mathrm{C}(412)$ | 1774 | 791 | 939 |
| C(21) | 3470 | 4657 | 3029 |  | C(413) | 1249 | -56 | 718 |
| C(112) | 1452 | 5561 | 3560 |  | $\mathrm{C}(414)$ | 1656 | -912 | 471 |
| $\mathrm{C}(113)$ | 1804 | 6512 | 3633 |  | $\mathrm{C}(415)$ | 2588 | -922 | 444 |
| $\mathrm{C}(114)$ | 2338 | 6705 | 4134 |  | $\mathrm{C}(416)$ | 3113 | -76 | 665 |
| $\mathrm{C}(115)$ | 2522 | 5948 | 4561 |  | $\mathrm{C}(411)$ | 2706 | 781 | 913 |
| $\mathrm{C}(116)$ | 2171 | 4996 | 4488 |  | C (422) | 5133 | 1627 | 1387 |
| C(111) | 1636 | 4803 | 3987 |  | C(423) | 5878 | 1101 | 1671 |
| $\mathrm{C}(122)$ | 107 | 3023 | 4877 |  | $\mathrm{C}(424)$ | 5842 | 216 | 2045 |
| C(123) | 1 | 2687 | 5488 |  | $\mathrm{C}(425)$ | 5060 | -142 | 2136 |
| $\mathrm{C}(124)$ | 771 | 2365 | 5867 |  | $\mathrm{C}(426)$ | 4315 | 383 | 1852 |
| $\mathrm{C}(125)$ | 1643 | 2378 | 5635 |  | $\mathrm{C}(421)$ | 4351 | 1268 | 1478 |
| $\mathrm{C}(126)$ | 1747 | 2713 | 5024 |  | C(432) | 3480 | 1980 | -100 |
| $\mathrm{C}(121)$ | 979 | 3036 | 4646 |  | C(433) | 3772 | 2479 | -640 |
| C(132) | -372 | 2961 | 3194 |  | C(434) | 4288 | 3380 | -611 |
| C(133) | -1230 | 3098 | 2947 |  | C(435) | 4513 | 3782 | -43 |
| C(134) | -1696 | 3960 | 3108 |  | C(436) | 4222 | 3283 | 496 |
| C(135) | -1304 | 4683 | 3516 |  | C(431) | 3705 | 2382 | 467 |

$1 \cdot 55 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \mu($ Mo $K \alpha)=35 \cdot 3 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, \quad F(000)=1968$, $\lambda($ Mo $K \alpha)=0.7107 \AA$, space group $P 2_{1}\left(C_{2}^{2}\right.$, No. 4).

Intensities were measured on a Hilger and Watts Y-290 four-circle diffractometer with the $\theta / 2 \theta$ stepscan technique and graphite monochromated Mo $K \alpha$ radiation. 70 steps, each of range $0.01^{\circ}(\theta)$ and of 1 s duration were taken through each diffracting position. Background counts of 35 s were measured at the start and end positions of each scan. The standard deviation of an intensity was calculated from $\sigma^{2}(I)=S+B+$ $(d S)^{2}$, where $S$ is the scan count, $B$ the sum of the two background counts and $d$ an empirical constant to allow for unknown experimental errors, taken as 0.05 . Of 8124 reflexions with $\theta($ Mo $K \alpha) \leq 25^{\circ}$ (minimum interplanar spacing $=0.84 \AA$ ), 352 had $I / \sigma(I) \leq 3.0$ and were excluded from subsequent calculations. Averaging of equivalent reflexions produced an $R$ of 0.02 and resulted in 7564 independent observed intensities. Lorentz and polarization factors were applied but absorption corrections were not. The maximum error as a result of this decision is less than $10 \%$ except at $\chi=90^{\circ}$. The large number of data and hence the exorbitant cost of the calculation of transmission coefficients led to our decision to ignore absorption effects and also to carry out the refinement with only those 3726 reflexions with $\sin \theta \leq 0 \cdot 33$. The structure was solved by a combination of Patterson and Fourier techniques with an initial phasing model consisting of the two Ir atoms. Isotropic least-squares refinement of the $\mathrm{Ir}, \mathrm{S}, \mathrm{P}$ and Cl atoms with the remaining atoms included as fixed contributors yielded $R$ and $R_{w}{ }^{*}$ values of 0.097 and 0.160 respectively. Scattering factors were those of Cromer \& Mann (1968) and included corrections for the anomalous scattering of $\operatorname{Ir}$ (Cromer \& Liberman, 1970). To simplify and reduce the size of the calculation, the phenyl rings were refined by a procedure (Sheldrick, 1976) in which each ring was required to remain centrosymmetric and planar. As well as this, one overall $U$ was assigned for all 14 ring atoms bonded directly to a P or S , another for the 28 ring atoms ortho to these, a third for the 28 atoms meta to the first group and finally a fourth for the 14 para atoms. This was considered a reasonable approach since the thermal motion of phenyl C atoms is greatest for those most remote from the 'pivot' atom. These four thermal parameters were allowed to refine freely and acquired the final values $0.051,0.062,0.081$ and 0.085 respectively. The final stage in the refinement was to allow the $\mathrm{Ir}, \mathrm{Cl}, \mathrm{S}$ and P atoms to assume anisotropic thermal parameters. Final values of $R$ and $R_{w}$ were 0.047 and 0.071 for the 3726 reflexions with $\sin \theta<0.33$ and 0.050 and 0.070 respectively for all 7564 independent observed reflexions. Final values for the coordinates and anisotropic temperature factors are presented in Tables 1 and 2 respectively, with their standard deviations calculated from the inverse matrix

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

of the final refinement cycle.* The intensities of 15 Friedel pairs of reflexions were measured to establish that the anomalous dispersion of $\operatorname{Ir}$ in the polar space group $P 2_{1}$ had been correctly handled. Bond lengths and valency angles are given in Tables 3 and 4 respectively. Standard deviations in these parameters are estimated from the full covariance matrix.

[^0]Table 2. Anisotropic temperature factors ( $U$ ' $s \times 10^{4}$ for iridium, $10^{3}$ others)
Coefficients in the temperature factor expression:

|  | $U_{11}$ | $U_{22}$ | $U_{33}$ | $U_{23}$ | $U_{13}$ | $U_{12}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ir(1) | 299 (5) | 253 (5) | 291 (5) | 29 (4) | 67 (4) | -26 (4) |
| $\operatorname{Ir}(2)$ | 362 (6) | 291 (6) | 279 (5) | 12 (4) | 82 (4) | -31 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | 46 (3) | 37 (4) | 32 (3) | 3 (3) | 0 (3) | -7 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ | 81 (5) | 139 (9) | 99 (6) | 13 (7) | 0 (5) | 0 (6) |
| S(1) | 35 (3) | 25 (3) | 38 (3) | -1 (3) | 7 (3) | 0 (3) |
| S(2) | 35 (3) | 24 (3) | 33 (3) | 0 (3) | 12 (2) | -3 (3) |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)$ | 34 (3) | 29 (3) | 37 (3) | 2 (3) | 9 (3) | -2 (3) |
| $\mathrm{P}(2)$ | 43 (3) | 20 (3) | 42 (4) | 5 (3) | 7 (3) | -3 (3) |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)$ | 42 (3) | 41 (4) | 38 (4) | 4 (3) | 7 (3) | 0 (3) |
| $\mathrm{P}(4)$ | 51 (4) | 41 (4) | 35 (4) | -6(3) | 11 (3) | -4 (3) |

Table 3. Bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) with their e.s.d.'s in parentheses

| $\mathrm{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | $2 \cdot 556$ (4) | $\mathrm{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ | 2.559 (5) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ir(1)-S(1) | 2.412 (5) | $\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{S}(1)$ | $2 \cdot 400$ (5) |
| $\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $2 \cdot 399$ (5) | $\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $2 \cdot 416$ (5) |
| $\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(1)$ | 2.324 (5) | $\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)$ | $2 \cdot 332$ (5) |
| $\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ | $2 \cdot 330$ (5) | $\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $2 \cdot 329$ (6) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(2)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 1.41 (2) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 1.57 (2) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 1.55 (3) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(2)-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | 1.49 (3) |  |  |
| S(1)-C(11) | 1.712 | S(2)--C(21) | $1 \cdot 776$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)-\mathrm{C}(111)$ | 1.892 | $\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(311)$ | $1 \cdot 854$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)-\mathrm{C}(121)$ | 1.817 | $\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(321)$ | $1 \cdot 802$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)-\mathrm{C}(131)$ | 1.830 | $\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(331)$ | $1 \cdot 845$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{C}(211)$ | 1.826 | $\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(411)$ | $1 \cdot 808$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{C}(221)$ | 1.841 | $\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(421)$ | 1.759 |
| $\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{C}(231)$ | 1.849 | $\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(431)$ | 1.783 |

Table 4. Valency angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ with their standard deviations in parentheses

| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{S}(1)$ | $76 \cdot 4(2)$ | $\mathrm{Cl}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{S}(1)$ | $76 \cdot 5(1)$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $76 \cdot 6(1)$ | $\mathrm{Cl}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $76 \cdot 3(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(1)$ | $107 \cdot 2(2)$ | $\mathrm{Cl}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)$ | $94 \cdot 0(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cl}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ | $94.1(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $107 \cdot 2(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $80 \cdot 2(2)$ | $\mathrm{S}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $80 \cdot 1(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(1)$ | $167 \cdot 3(2)$ | $\mathrm{S}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)$ | $169 \cdot 0(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ | $91 \cdot 3(2)$ | $\mathrm{S}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $88 \cdot 7(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(1)$ | $88.7(2)$ | $\mathrm{S}(2)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ | $92 \cdot 3(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ | $168 \cdot 7(2)$ | $\mathrm{S}(2)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $167 \cdot 3(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ | $100 \cdot 5(2)$ | $\mathrm{P}(3)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $99 \cdot 5(2)$ |

## Discussion

The analysis establishes the structure of (3) to be the triply bridged dimeric $\mathrm{Ir}^{111}$ complex shown schematically in Fig. 1 and in a stereo view in Fig. 2. To our knowledge, this is the first such compound reported.

From a correlation of spectroscopic evidence it can be concluded that (2) must be the chloride of the same cation.

The structure of the cation is most easily visualized as two octahedra sharing a face. The coordination sites at the apices of this face are occupied by a Cl and the two S atoms of the phenylthiol ligands. Each Ir is bonded to triphenylphosphine groups, trans to each S atom. The H atoms trans to the Cl were not located in this study but their presence is indicated by $\mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{H}$ spectroscopic evidence (Roberts, Ferguson \& Senoff, 1975).

Individual $\mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{Cl}$ and $\mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{P}$ lengths do not differ significantly from the mean values for each bond type. The mean Ir-P length is 2.329 (r.m.s.d. $=0 \cdot 003$ ) $\AA$, comparable with the known range of values $2 \cdot 290-$
in the valency angles: $S(2)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-P(1)$ and $S(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-$ $\mathrm{P}(4)$ are both 88.7 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$ while $\mathrm{S}(1)-\operatorname{Ir}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ and $\mathrm{S}(2)-\operatorname{Ir}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)$ are $91 \cdot 3$ (2) and $92 \cdot 3(2)^{\circ}$ respectively. Other more extreme deviations of Ir valence angles from the octahedral value of $90^{\circ}$ occur between the

Table 5. Equations of mean planes in the form $A x+B y$ $+C z=D$ where $x, y$ and $z$ are fractional coordinates referred to the unit-cell axes $a, b$, and $c$


Fig. 1. Schematic representation of the $\mu$-chloro-di- $\mu$-phenyl-thio-di[hydridobis(triphenylphosphine)iridium(III)] cation.


Fig. 2. Stereoscopic view of the cation.
$2 \cdot 382$ Å (Albano, Bellon \& Sansoni, 1971; Callahan, Strouse, Layton \& Hawthorne, 1973; La Placa \& Ibers, 1966). Bridging thiol ligands have also been observed in dicarbonylbis(triphenylphosphine)tris(tolu-ene-3,4-dithiolato)diiridium(III). (Khare \& Eisenberg, 1972). Bridging Ir-S bonds in that compound are of two types averaging 2.47 and $2.38 \AA$. In the present structure we observe Ir-S lengths ranging from $2 \cdot 399$ to $2.416[$ mean $=2.407(7)] \AA$.

The molecule could conceivably show mm symmetry but in fact it achieves only twofold symmetry as a result of the twisting of pairs of triphenylphosphine ligands out of the two $\mathrm{IrS}_{2}$ planes (Table 5) as shown in Fig. 3. This reduction in symmetry is also manifested


Fig. 3. The twisting of pairs of triphenylphosphine ligands out of the two $\mathrm{IrS}_{2}$ planes (see Table 5) and the distances ( $\AA$ ) of the P atoms from these planes.


Fig. 4. Stereoscopic packing diagram. The view is down $\mathbf{c}$, with $\mathbf{a}$ horizontal and $\mathbf{b}$ vertical.
bulky triphenylphosphine groups which form angles of $100 \cdot 5$ (2) and 99.5 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$ at $\operatorname{Ir}(1)$ and $\operatorname{Ir}(2)$ respectively and between the Cl and S atoms of the bridge system which form average $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{Ir}-\mathrm{S}$ angles of $76 \cdot 5(1)^{\circ}$. Because the phenyl rings were refined as rigid centrosymmetric planar groups, there are only 42 independent C-C lengths. These average $1 \cdot 40 \AA$ (r.m.s.d. 0.04 $\AA$ ). The mean P-C and S-C lengths are 1.83 (3) and 1.74 (3) $\AA$ respectively, not significantly different from expected values (Kennard \& Watson, 1973).

The thermal motion of the perchlorate anion and the three acetone molecules of solvation is very high. With $U$ values ranging from $0 \cdot 142$ to 0.247 for the atoms of the solvent molecules, this part of the structure is clearly the least satisfying. In fact, certain genuine errors may exist. Classification of atoms as C or O was done on the basis of bond lengths calculated when the solvent molecules were first located on a difference map. Unfortunately these bond lengths have changed considerably during the refinement and the distinction between $\mathbf{C}$ and $\mathbf{O}$ atoms is no longer clear-cut.

Table 6. Intermolecular contacts less than $3.5 \AA$

| $\mathrm{O}(2) \cdots \mathrm{C}\left(135^{\prime}\right)$ | $3 \cdot 474$ | $\mathrm{O}(4) \cdots \cdots \mathrm{C}\left(334^{\prime}\right)$ | $3 \cdot 467$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{O}(2) \cdots \mathrm{C}\left(24^{\prime}\right)$ | $3 \cdot 193$ | $\mathrm{O}(7) \cdots \cdot \mathrm{C}\left(313^{\prime}\right)$ | 3.296 |
| $\mathrm{O}(3) \cdots \mathrm{C}\left(235^{\prime}\right)$ | $3 \cdot 412$ | $\mathrm{C}(135) \cdots \mathrm{C}\left(215^{\prime}\right)$ | $3 \cdot 351$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4) \cdots \mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $3 \cdot 217$ |  |  |

Consideration of the intermolecular contacts less than $3.5 \AA$, listed in Table 6 , shows them to involve
primarily the O atoms of the perchlorate anion (see also Fig. 4). The acetone molecules are left with weaker, more remote interactions, resulting in high thermal motion and possibly even threefold disorder about the keto carbon atom.

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