# The Crystal Structure of Tetramethylammonium Tris( $O$-cyclohexyl dithiocarbonato)nickelate(II) Acetone Solvate 

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#### Abstract

The crystal structure of the title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{NNiO}_{3} \mathrm{~S}_{6} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{O}$, has been determined from three-dimensional intensities, measured on a computercontrolled Philips PW 1100 single-crystal diffractometer ( 1581 reflexions used). The crystals are monoclinic with $a=12.593$ (6), $b=17.776$ (8), $c=16.589$ (6) $\AA, \beta=92.54(4)^{\circ}, Z=4$ and space group $C c$. The structure was solved by direct phase determination with MULTAN. The positional and thermal parameters of the atoms were refined by full-matrix least-squares calculations to a final $R=0.060$ ( $R_{w}=0.051$ ). The anion shows approximate trigonal symmetry, with the Ni atom surrounded by six S atoms at the apices of a distorted octahedron. The $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}$ distances are in the range 2.393-2.469 $\AA$, whereas in the dithiocarbonate ligands the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{S}$ distances range between 1.65 and $1.69 \AA$ and the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ distances between 1.33 and 1.36 A. The roughly planar anions form layers approximately parallel to $(010)$ and are interconnected by the tetramethylammonium cations and the acetone molecules, which are distributed both within the layers and also between them.


## Introduction

The crystal structure of tetramethylammonium tris $(O$ cyclohexyl dithiocarbonato)nickelate(II) acetone solvate (hereafter TMACXN)
$\left[\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{4} \mathrm{~N}\right]^{+}$

was determined within the framework of a detailed structure investigation of the new ionic tris(dithiocarbonato) complexes of bivalent metals, recently prepared at the Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory of the University of Thessaloniki (Hatzikostas \& Manoussakis, 1977). The structure of the first member of the series, 0567-7408/79/030616-05\$01.00
tetramethylammonium $\operatorname{tris}(O$-isobutyl dithiocarbonato)nickelate(II) has been determined (Christidis \& Rentzeperis, 1978).

## Experimental

Good crystals of TMACXN were kindly provided by Professor G. Manoussakis and Mr C. Hatzikostas of the Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory. The selected crystal, a green prism with dimensions $0.3 \times 0.15 \times$ 0.11 mm , was centred on our automatic Philips PW 1100 four-circle single-crystal diffractometer. Accurate cell parameters were obtained from direct measurement on the diffractometer of the $\theta$ angles of 135 reflexions with large $\theta$ values. The measurements were processed with the least-squares program PARAM part of the XRAY system of crystallographic programs (Stewart, Kruger, Ammon, Dickinson \& Hall, 1972)]. The final values obtained are listed in Table 1. The density of the crystal was measured with a pycnometer.

From systematic absences the two space groups $C 2 / c$ and $C c$ came into consideration. Since only four formula units are contained in the unit cell and no centre of symmetry is expected for the dithiocarbonate anion, the space group Cc seemed more probable. This was supported by intensity statistics and was later verified by the final structure.

Three-dimensional intensities were collected with a scintillation counter on the PW 1100 diffractometer in

Table 1. Crystal data for TMACXN
Here and throughout this paper the e.s.d.'s are given in parentheses and refer to the last digit.

| $\mathrm{C}_{28} \mathrm{H}_{51} \mathrm{NNiO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}_{6}$ | $\mathrm{FW}=716.79$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Monoclinic | Space group $C c$ |
| $a=12.593(6) \AA$ | $Z=4$ |
| $b=17.776(8)$ | $F(000)=1528$ |
| $c=16.589(6)$ | $\rho_{\text {calc }}=1.283 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |
| $\beta=92.54(4)^{\circ}$ | $\rho_{\text {meas }}=1.261$ |
| $V=3709.85 \AA^{3}$ | $\mu=0.879 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
|  | $\lambda\left(\right.$ Mo $\left.K \alpha_{1}\right)=0.70930 \AA$ |

[^0]the $\theta / 2 \theta$ scan mode, using graphite-monochromatized Mo $K \alpha$ radiation. The intensities of 3877 reflexions in the $\theta$ range $3-20^{\circ}$ were examined, measured and subsequently averaged to 1737 non-equivalent reflexions (maximum $h, k, l=16,22, \pm 21$ ). Of them 1269 with intensities greater than $2 \sigma$ were considered as observed and included in all further calculations. Integrated intensities were converted to $\left|F_{o}\right|$ values in the usual way, using the special measurement treatment program DATRED (Main, 1970). Since $\mu$ is fairly small, no absorption correction was applied. For further calculations the programs of the MULTAN (Main, Woolfson, Lessinger, Germain \& Declercq, 1974) and XRAY systems were used.

## Structure determination and refinement

The structure was solved by direct phase determination with the MULTAN system. The phases of 300 strong reflexions were determined and on the resulting $E$ map it was possible to locate 13 of the 40 nonhydrogen atoms in the asymmetric unit. A structure factor calculation at this stage, with all the reflexions and approximate individual isotropic temperature coefficients, gave $R=0 \cdot 207$. The remaining atoms were located by means of successive difference Fourier syntheses.

The structure was refined by full-matrix least-squares calculations. The atomic scattering factors for all the atoms and anomalous-dispersion corrections were taken from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974). A single scale factor was used for the whole set of reflexion data.

Six cycles of refinement with all the non-hydrogen atoms, isotropic temperature coefficients and unit weights gave $R=0.072$. Using anisotropic temperature coefficients and the weighting scheme $w=1 / \sigma^{2}(F)$, which proved to be the most suitable, the $R$ factor was reduced to 0.063 . In order to have a better ratio of the reflexions used to the number of parameters refined, 312 'less-than' reflexions, with $\left|F_{c}\right|>\left|F_{o}\right|$, were added to the set of the observed reflexions, thus increasing it to 1581 . This slightly improved the standard deviations of the atomic parameters while the $R$ factor remained unchanged. Then, the positions of the H atoms in the cyclohexane rings were calculated assuming a $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ bond length of $1.08 \AA$. A difference Fourier synthesis revealed most of the H atoms very near to their calculated positions. An attempt to include the H atoms in the refinement, however, proved unsuccessful. Hence, in the final stage of refinement the H atoms were kept fixed at their calculated positions, with their individual isotropic temperature coefficients equal to the equivalent isotropic temperature coefficients of the C atoms to which they are bonded (Hamilton, 1959). The final $R$ factor was $0.060\left(R_{w}=0.051\right)$. The
positional and isotropic thermal parameters for the non-hydrogen atoms are given in Table 2 and those for the H atoms in Table 3. Interatomic distances and bond angles are given in Tables 4 and 5.*

## Description of the structure and discussion

A clinographic projection of the asymmetric unit of TMACXN is given in Fig. 1. As in the cases of trimethylphenylammonium tris $(O$-ethyl dithio-

[^1]Table 2. Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic temperature factors for the non-hydrogen atoms in TMACXN

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $B\left(\AA^{2}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ni | 0.2287 | 0.6553 (1) | 0.6889 | 3.54 |
| S(1) | 0.2342 (4) | 0.7168 (3) | 0.8184 (3) | 4.37 |
| S(2) | 0.0833 (4) | 0.6038 (3) | 0.7609 (3) | $4 \cdot 20$ |
| S(3) | $0 \cdot 1268$ (4) | 0.7501 (3) | 0.6111 (3) | $4 \cdot 17$ |
| S(4) | $0 \cdot 1802$ (4) | 0.5989 (3) | 0.5615 (3) | $4 \cdot 18$ |
| S(5) | $0 \cdot 4004$ (4) | 0.7021 (3) | $0 \cdot 6490$ (3) | 4.41 |
| S(6) | 0.3622 (4) | 0.5571 (3) | 0.7222 (3) | $4 \cdot 24$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $0 \cdot 0870$ (9) | 0.6703 (7) | $0 \cdot 9059$ (7) | 6.25 |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 0.0799 (8) | 0.7004 (7) | 0.4671 (6) | 5.02 |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 0.5503 (8) | $0 \cdot 6013$ (6) | $0 \cdot 6893$ (7) | 4.71 |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $0 \cdot 1057$ (16) | 0.0460 (10) | $0 \cdot 3820$ (10) | 12.55 |
| N | 0.4189 (11) | 0.4191 (7) | 0.4878 (9) | $5 \cdot 12$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 0.1275 (12) | 0.6616 (10) | 0.8338 (9) | $4 \cdot 36$ |
| C (2) | -0.0063 (15) | 0.6255 (11) | 0.9250 (13) | 6.15 |
| C(3) | 0.0174 (17) | 0.5824 (14) | 1.0045 (17) | 9.33 |
| C(4) | -0.0805 (23) | 0.5426 (15) | 1.0319 (15) | 10.01 |
| C(5) | -0.1729 (18) | 0.5895 (17) | 1.0314 (14) | 9.13 |
| C(6) | -0.1997 (17) | 0.6407 (14) | 0.9593 (17) | 10.26 |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | -0.1002 (14) | 0.6823 (14) | 0.9329 (14) | 9.28 |
| C(8) | 0.1266 (10) | 0.6837 (8) | 0.5408 (8) | $2 \cdot 30$ |
| C(9) | 0.0811 (14) | 0.6478 (10) | 0.3985 (9) | 4.42 |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)$ | -0.0080 (15) | 0.6665 (10) | 0.3367 (11) | 5.44 |
| C(11) | -0.0131 (16) | 0.6087 (12) | $0 \cdot 2712$ (11) | 5.59 |
| C (12) | 0.0938 (22) | 0.6160 (11) | $0 \cdot 2310$ (13) | 6.95 |
| C(13) | 0.1895 (15) | 0.6026 (11) | $0 \cdot 2900$ (11) | 5.31 |
| $\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 0.1919 (16) | 0.6581 (10) | 0.3601 (11) | $5 \cdot 18$ |
| C (15) | 0.4465 (13) | 0.6218 (9) | 0.6862 (10) | 4.07 |
| C(16) | 0.6336 (14) | 0.6516 (9) | 0.6603 (11) | 3.97 |
| $\mathrm{C}(17)$ | 0.6541 (18) | 0.6260 (14) | 0.5763 (15) | 8.37 |
| C(18) | 0.7453 (22) | 0.6716 (15) | 0.5405 (15) | 9.45 |
| C(19) | 0.8406 (19) | 0.6688 (14) | 0.5998 (23) | 9.15 |
| $\mathrm{C}(20)$ | 0.8120 (17) | 0.6967 (15) | $0 \cdot 6810$ (17) | 7.46 |
| C(21) | 0.7324 (16) | 0.6375 (13) | 0.7132 (11) | $6 \cdot 52$ |
| C(22) | 0.3455 (18) | 0.3707 (13) | 0.5361 (14) | 8.19 |
| C(23) | $0 \cdot 3496$ (14) | 0.4718 (10) | 0.4402 (12) | 5.59 |
| C(24) | $0 \cdot 4833$ (17) | 0.3746 (11) | $0 \cdot 4249$ (13) | 6.82 |
| C (25) | 0.4983 (17) | 0.4537 (13) | $0 \cdot 5414$ (11) | 7.34 |
| C(26) | 0.0938 (24) | 0.0858 (14) | $0 \cdot 3200$ (11) | 9.50 |
| C(27) | $0 \cdot 0043$ (22) | 0.1410 (17) | $0 \cdot 2949$ (20) | 11.86 |
| C(28) | 0.1771 (22) | 0.0750 (14) | $0 \cdot 2556$ (15) | 10.52 |

carbonato)nickelate(II) (D'Addario, 1970) and tetramethylammonium $\operatorname{tris}(O$-isobutyl dithiocarbonato)nickelate(II) (Christidis \& Rentzeperis, 1978) the characteristic feature of the tris $(O$-cyclohexyl dithiocarbonato)nickelate(II) anion in TMACXN (CXN anion in the following) is that the central Ni atom is surrounded by six $S$ atoms at the vertices of a distorted octahedron, with all three cyclohexyl dithiocarbonato ligands as bidentates. The CXN anion, like the anions of the two structures above, has approximate trigonal symmetry, in contrast to the dithiocarbonates of some trivalent metals ( $\mathrm{Cr}, \mathrm{Fe}, \mathrm{Co}$ ) (Merlino \& Sartori, 1971; Hoskins \& Kelly, 1970; Merlino, 1969) with similar octahedral coordination of the central atom, which belong to space group $R \overline{3}$ and whose molecules possess strict trigonal symmetry.

In Table 6 various least-squares planes of the CXN anion and the acetone molecule are listed, together with the dihedral angles between them. The Ni atom lies on a plane with the atoms $C(1), C(8)$ and $C(15)$, approximately occupying the centre of the triangle formed by them. This plane, approximately parallel to (010), is
prominent in the structure: all the atoms of the three

Table 3. Calculated atomic coordinates for the H atoms in TMACXN

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H1(C2) | -0.0314 | 0.5843 | 0.8791 |
| H1(C3) | 0.0803 | 0.5428 | 0.9953 |
| H2(C3) | 0.0455 | 0.6237 | 1.0497 |
| H1(C4) | -0.0955 | 0.4957 | 0.9945 |
| H2(C4) | -0.0612 | 0.5233 | 1.0944 |
| H1(C5) | -0.2397 | 0.5539 | 1.0419 |
| H2(C5) | -0.1631 | 0.6274 | 1.0856 |
| H1(C6) | -0.2293 | 0.6057 | 0.9101 |
| H2(C6) | -0.2598 | 0.6810 | 0.9742 |
| H1(C7) | $-0.1168$ | 0.7106 | 0.8765 |
| H2(C7) | -0.0773 | 0.7242 | 0.9787 |
| H1(C9) | 0.0766 | 0.5894 | 0.4172 |
| H1(Cl0) | -0.0823 | 0.6681 | 0.3666 |
| H2(C10) | 0.0067 | 0.7206 | 0.3100 |
| H1(C11) | -0.0239 | 0.5511 | 0.2939 |
| H2(C11) | -0.0775 | 0.6222 | 0.2303 |
| H1(C12) | 0.0957 | 0.5739 | 0. 1843 |
| H2(C12) | 0.0990 | 0.6708 | 0.2070 |
| H1(C13) | 0. 1879 | $0 \cdot 5456$ | 0.3131 |
| H2(C13) | 0.2618 | 0.6096 | 0.2569 |
| H1(C14) | 0.2559 | 0.6445 | 0.4043 |
| H2(C14) | 0.2017 | 0.7149 | 0.3400 |
| H1(C16) | 0.6138 | 0.7113 | 0.6592 |
| $\mathrm{HI}(\mathrm{C} 17)$ | 0.6696 | 0.5677 | 0.5752 |
| H2(C17) | 0.5812 | 0.6372 | 0.5371 |
| H1(C18) | 0.7683 | 0.6463 | 0.4853 |
| H2(C18) | 0.7229 | 0.7291 | 0.5309 |
| HI(C19) | 0.8730 | 0.6124 | 0.6094 |
| H2(C19) | 0.9066 | 0.7049 | 0.5816 |
| H1(C20) | 0.8799 | 0.7021 | 0.7237 |
| H2(C20) | 0.7735 | 0.7514 | 0.6757 |
| H1(C21) | 0.7619 | 0.5811 | 0.7051 |
| H2(C21) | 0.7172 | $0 \cdot 6464$ | 0.7760 |

Table 4. Interatomic distances ( $\AA$ ) in TMACXN
$\mathrm{NiS}_{6}$ octahedron

| $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(1)$ | $2.409(5)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $2.411(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(3)$ | $2.450(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(4)$ | $2.393(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(5)$ | $2.434(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(6)$ | $2.469(5)$ |

First $O$-cyclohexyl
dithiocarbonato group

| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.69(2)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.66(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $1.33(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.47(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.54(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.51(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.43(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.53(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.54(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.57(3)$ |

Second $O$-cyclohexyl dithiocarbonato group

| $\mathrm{S}(3)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1.66(1)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{S}(4)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1.68(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $1.36(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.47(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $1.52(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $1.50(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | $1.53(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | $1.54(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $1.52(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.57(3)$ |


| Third $O$-cyclohexyl |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| dithiocarbonato group |  |
| $\mathrm{S}(5)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | $1.65(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(6)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | $1.69(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $1.36(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | $1.47(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | $1.50(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | $1.55(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(19)$ | $1.52(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(20)$ | $1.49(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{C}(21)$ | $1.56(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(21)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | $1.51(3)$ |

Tetramethylammonium cation

| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(22)$ | $1.52(3)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(23)$ | $1.48(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(24)$ | $1.57(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(25)$ | $1.45(2)$ |

Acetone molecule

| $\mathrm{C}(26)-\mathrm{C}(27)$ | $1.53(4)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{C}(26)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ | $1.54(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(26)-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $1.25(3)$ |

ligands lie within a layer, approximately $4 \AA$ thick, parallel to this plane.

As expected from other dithiocarbonate structures, all three $\mathrm{S}_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ groups are planar to a very good approximation. Since the Ni atoms do not deviate from these planes by more than $0.15 \AA$, the three $\mathrm{NiS}_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ systems may be considered as virtually planar. The angles these planes form with one another are 79.7, 85.5 and $85.7^{\circ}$, i.e. they are almost mutually perpendicular.

The general features of the CXN anion are normal. The Ni-S distances range from 2.393 to $2.469 \AA$ and are in very good agreement with the corresponding distances $2.27-2.47 \AA$, found in the tris ( $O$-ethyl dithiocarbonato)nickelate(II) anion (D'Addario, 1970), and $2 \cdot 385-2.478 \AA$, found in the tris $(O$-isobutyl dithiocarbonato)nickelate(II) anion (Christidis \& Rentzeperis, 1978). Assuming an octahedral covalent radius for $\mathrm{Ni}^{\text {II }}$ of $1.39 \AA$ and for S of $1.04 \AA$ (Pauling, 1960), we find a distance $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S} 2.43 \AA$, which is in excellent agreement with the observed mean $\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}$ distance of $2.428 \dot{\text { A. }}$

The mean values for $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{C}$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ in the $\mathrm{S}_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ groups are 1.67 and $1.35 \AA$ respectively, and compare well with the corresponding values of the previously mentioned dithiocarbonates. These values indicate, of

## Table 5. Bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ in TMACXN

| $\mathrm{NiS}_{6}$ octahedron |  | Second $O$-cyclohexyl dithiocarbonato group |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | 73.9 (0.2) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(3)$ | 98.7 (0.2) | $\mathbf{S}(3)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathbf{S}(4)$ | 120.4 (0.8) |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(4)$ | 166.8 (0.2) | $\mathrm{S}(3)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 117.6 (1.1) |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(5)$ | 95.6 (0.2) | $\mathrm{S}(4)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 122.1 (1.1) |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(6)$ | 97.4 (0.2) | $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 122.4 (1.2) |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(3)$ | 97.5 (0.2) | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 110.5 (1.4) |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(4)$ | 96.2 (0.2) | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $106 \cdot 3$ (1.3) |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(5)$ | 165.3 (0.2) | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 110.3 (1.5) |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(6)$ | 98.4 (0.2) | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 104.3 (1.6) |
| $\mathrm{S}(3)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(4)$ | 73.5 (0.2) | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | 112.9 (1.6) |
| $\mathrm{S}(3)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(5)$ | 94.2 (0.2) | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 112.0 (1.6) |
| $\mathrm{S}(3)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(6)$ | 160.0 (0.2) | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 104.3 (1.4) |
| $\mathrm{S}(4)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(5)$ | 95.7 (0.2) | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 110.1 (1.4) |
| $\mathrm{S}(4)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(6)$ | 92.7 (0.2) | Third O-cyclohexyl |  |
| $\mathrm{S}(5)-\mathrm{Ni}-\mathrm{S}(6)$ | 72.4 (0.2) | dithiocarbonato group |  |
| First $O$-cyclohexyl dithiocarbonato group |  | $\mathrm{S}(5)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{S}(6)$ | $120 \cdot 2$ (1.0) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{S}(5)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 124.7 (1.2) |
| S(1)-C(1)-S(2) | 119.4 (0.9) | $\mathrm{S}(6)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 115.0 (1.1) |
| S(1)-C(1)-O(1) | 114.0(1.2) | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 121.6 (1.2) |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 126.6 (1.2) | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | 105.9 (1.4) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 118.3 (1.4) | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(21)$ | 106.8 (1.4) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 109.1 (1.5) | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | 111.1 (1.9) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 106.4 (1.5) | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(19)$ | 108.3 (2.1) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 111.1 (1.8) | $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(20)$ | 110.9 (2.0) |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 113.6 (2.3) | $\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{C}(21)$ | 105.6 (2.0) |
| C(4)-C(5)-C(6) | 120.2 (2.1) | $\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{C}(21)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 102.4 (1.7) |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 110.8 (1.8) | $\mathrm{C}(21)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | 108.6 (1.6) |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 110.0 (1.9) | Tetramethylammonium cation |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 111.6(1.8) |  |  |
| Acetone molecule |  | $\mathrm{C}(22)-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(23)$ | 106.3 (1.4) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(22)-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(24)$ $\mathrm{C}(22)-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(25)$ | 114.2 (1.4) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(26)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ | 116.0 (2.3) | $\mathrm{C}(23)-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(24)$ | 106.0 (1.4) |
| $\mathrm{C}(27)-\mathrm{C}(26)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ | 113.9 (2.0) | $\mathrm{C}(23)-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(25)$ | 115.7 (1.4) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(24)-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}(25)$ | 105.1 (1.4) |

course, partial double-bond character in the $\mathrm{S}_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ groups. Assuming the usually accepted resonance structures for the dithiocarbonato ligand,

(I)

(II)
the calculated contributions according to the valence bond theory (Pauling, 1960) are $15 \%$ for structure (I) and $85 \%$ for structure (II). These are identical to the corresponding values, found in tetramethylammonium $\operatorname{tris}(O$-isobutyl dithiocarbonato) nickelate(II) (Christidis \& Rentzeperis, 1978). For comparison with other dithiocarbonates and dithiocarbamates, see this last paper.

Table 6. Least-squares planes in TMACXN, with displacements of atoms from the planes $(\AA)$

The equation for a plane is in the form $A X+B Y+C Z=D$ and refers to an orthogonal system of axes, with $X \| a, Y$ in the $a b$ plane, $Z \| c^{*}$ and $D$, the distance of the plane from the origin, in $\AA$. Asterisks indicate atoms not included in the calculation of the plane. Mean estimated standard deviations of the atoms defining a plane are given in parentheses following the distance of the first atom.

Plane I: central plane formed by Ni and C atoms
$0.21864 X+0.97182 Y+0.08814 Z=12.85877$

| Ni | $-0.013(9)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)^{*}$ | 0.137 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 0.004 | $\mathrm{O}(2)^{*}$ | 0.067 |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 0.004 | $\mathrm{O}(3)^{*}$ | -0.060 |
| $\mathrm{C}(15)$ | 0.004 |  |  |

Plane II: first dithiocarbonato group

| $-0.58867 X+0.71979 Y-0.36793 Z$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | $=2.79813$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{~S}(1)$ | $0.001(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 0.001 |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{~S}(2)$ | 0.002 | $\mathrm{Ni}^{*}$ | -0.011 |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | -0.002 | $\mathrm{C}(2)^{*}$ | 0.011 |  |  |  |  |

Plane III: second dithiocarbonato group
$0.89449 X+0.32871 Y-0.30305 Z=2.34231$

| $\mathrm{S}(3)$ | $-0.002(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | -0.003 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{~S}(4)$ | -0.002 | $\mathrm{Ni}^{*}$ | 0.151 |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 0.008 | $\mathrm{C}(9)^{*}$ | 0.094 |

Plane IV: third dithiocarbonato group

$$
\begin{array}{lllc}
0.07147 X & +0.41261 Y+0.90810 Z= & 15.24536 \\
\mathbf{S}(5) & -0.003(5) & \mathrm{O}(3) & -0.003 \\
\mathrm{~S}(6) & -0.002 & \mathrm{Ni}^{*} & 0.098 \\
\mathrm{C}(15) & 0.008 & \mathrm{C}(16)^{*} & 0.006
\end{array}
$$

Plane V: acetone molecule

| $0.51847 X+0.74126 Y+0.42628 Z$ | $=3.85867$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $-0.009(15)$ | $\mathrm{C}(27)$ | -0.007 |
| $\mathrm{C}(26)$ | 0.022 | $\mathrm{C}(28)$ | -0.006 |

Dihedral angles between planes $\left(^{\circ}\right.$ )

| I-II | 57.4 | II-III | 79.7 | III-IV | 85.7 | IV-V | 43.1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| I-III | 60.8 | II-IV | 85.5 | III-V | 54.7 |  |  |
| I-IV | 60.2 | II-V | 85.9 |  |  |  |  |
| I-V | 29.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The cyclohexane rings are in the chair form. The mean bond distances in the three cyclohexane rings are $1.52,1.53$ and $1.52 \AA$, while the corresponding mean bond angles and mean torsion angles are respectively $112 \cdot 9,109 \cdot 0,107 \cdot 8^{\circ}$ and $50 \cdot 0,61 \cdot 1,63 \cdot 1^{\circ}$. These values compare well with corresponding values found in other compounds containing cyclohexane rings, such as cis-4-aminomethylcyclohexanecarboxylic acid hydrobromide (Groth \& Hassel, 1965). The determined torsion angles in TMACXN, however, indicate that the first cyclohexane ring is somewhat flatter than the normal cyclohexane ring (mean torsion angle $=$ $55.2^{\circ}$ ), while the other two are slightly more puckered.

The tetramethylammonium cation appears normal. The determined mean bond distance $1.51 \AA$ agrees well with the accepted N-C single-bond distance $1.495 \AA$ (International Tables for X-ray Crystallography, 1968) while the individual bond angles differ from the ideal tetrahedral value by no more than $6 \cdot 2^{\circ}$. Also, the features of the acetone molecule are normal. The molecule is strictly planar, with mean $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ distance $1.535 \AA$ and $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ distance $1.25 \AA$, which agree well with the corresponding values 1.541 and $1.23 \AA$, given in International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1968).

The molecular packing of the structure is shown in Fig. 2. The roughly planar anions form layers approximately parallel to ( 010 ), being interconnected by the tetramethylammonium cations and the acetone molecules which are distributed both within the layers and also between them. Intermolecular distances which are shorter than the corresponding van der Waals radii are given in Table 7.


Fig. 2. Clinographic projection of TMACXN showing the molecular packing.

Table 7. Intermolecular distances ( $\AA$ ) in TMACXN, shorter than or equal to the sum of the corresponding van der Waals radii

| $\mathrm{S}(6) \cdots \mathrm{C}(13)^{\mathrm{vI}}$ | $3.78(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2) \cdots \mathrm{C}(12)^{11}$ | $3.88(3)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{S}(6) \cdots \mathrm{C}(23)^{\mathrm{vI}}$ | $3.66(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(10) \cdots \mathrm{C}(24)^{\mathrm{Iv}}$ | $3.98(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(6) \cdots \mathrm{C}(24)^{\mathrm{vI}}$ | $3.83(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(11) \cdots \mathrm{C}(28)^{\mathrm{v}}$ | $3.94(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2) \cdots \mathrm{C}(24)^{\mathrm{vv}}$ | $3.39(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(18) \cdots \mathrm{C}(22)^{\mathrm{III}}$ | $3.76(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4) \cdots \mathrm{C}(17)^{\mathrm{v}}$ | $3.55(3)$ | $\mathrm{C}(20) \cdots \mathrm{C}(22)^{111}$ | $3.95(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4) \cdots \mathrm{C}(25)^{\mathrm{v}}$ | $3.44(3)$ | $\mathrm{C}(21) \cdots \mathrm{C}(28)^{\mathrm{vII}}$ | $3.91(3)$ |

Symmetry code

| (I) | $x$, | $y$, | $z$ | (V) | $-\frac{1}{2}+x$, | $-\frac{1}{2}+y$, |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| (II) | $x$, | $y$, | $z$ |  |  |  |
| (III) | $\frac{1}{2}+x$, | $\frac{1}{2}+y$ | $z$ | (VI) | $x$, | $1-y$, |
| (IV) | $-\frac{1}{2}+z$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| (IV | (VII) | $\frac{1}{2}+y$, | $z$ |  | $\frac{1}{2}+x, y$, | $\frac{1}{2}+z$ |

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