As the $\left[\mathrm{Ag}_{2} \mathrm{I}_{6}\right]^{4-}$ anion has no intermolecular distance shorter than $4.3 \AA$, it may be characterized as an isolated di- $\mu$-iodo-bis[diiodoargentate(I)], which consists of two $\mathrm{AgI}_{4}$ tetrahedra sharing a common edge (Fig. 2). In all known structures of iodoargentates the Ag atom is tetrahedrally coordinated by four I atoms, but the tetrahedra are connected over common corners, edges or planes building polymeric chains, layers or three-dimensional networks (Gilmore, Tucker \& Woodward, 1971, and references therein; Coetzer, 1975; Coetzer \& Thackeray, 1975; Thackeray \& Coetzer, 1975a,b, 1978, and references therein; Geller, 1972; Geller \& Dudley, 1978; Geller, Skarstad \& Wilber, 1975). Structures with isolated iodoargentates have not yet been reported, though the existence of $\mathrm{Ag}_{2}{ }_{6}{ }_{6}^{4-}$ in melts has been postulated by Holmberg (1973). The connection of the two tetrahedra in $\left[\mathrm{Ag}_{2} \mathrm{I}_{6}{ }^{4-}\right.$ causes a distortion of the tetrahedral coordination around Ag with the angle $\mathrm{I}(2)-\mathrm{Ag}-\mathrm{I}(2)^{\prime}$ becoming much smaller than the others. The bridging $\mathrm{Ag}-\mathrm{I}$ distance is longer than the terminal ones. These features are found for other $M_{2} X_{6}$ metal halides. The $\mathrm{Ag}-\mathrm{I}$ distances lie in the range found for polymeric structures. The calculation of the bond-valence sum for Ag (Brown, Howard-Lock \& Natarajan, 1977) yielded a value somewhat too small ( 0.93 instead of 1.00 ), again comparable to polymeric iodoargentates with values in the range 0.9 to 1.0 .


Fig. 2. ORTEP plot of the $\left[\mathrm{Ag}_{2} \mathrm{I}_{6}\right]^{4-}$ anion.

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# $\operatorname{Bis}[\mu$-(2-methylaminopyridine 1-oxide)- $\mu$-O]-bis[dichloro( 2-methylaminopyridine 1-oxide)copper(II)] 

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Abstract. $\left[\mathrm{Cu}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{4}\right], \mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{Cl}_{4} \mathrm{Cu}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{8} \mathrm{O}_{4}$, $M_{r}=765 \cdot 4$, triclinic, $P \overline{1}, a=11.0483(11), b=$ 9.2975 (9), $c=9.4998$ (9) $\AA, \alpha=124.61$ (1), $\beta=$ $92.85(1), \gamma=99.26(1)^{\circ}$, at $298 \mathrm{~K}, Z=1, D_{m}=$

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$1.63(2), D_{c}=1.628 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$. The structure was solved by a combination of direct methods and Fourier synthesis techniques which led to a conventional $R$ of 0.041 for the 255 parameters varied and 2147
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observed reflections used in the refinement. The molecular structure consists of a centrosymmetric bridged dimer with each square-pyramidal Cu bonded to three terminal atoms (one O and two Cl ) and two bridging O atoms with bonding distances of 1.928 (2), 2.231 (1), 2.515 (1), 1.988 (2) and 2.054 (2) $\AA$ respectively. The internal bridge angles are $71.1(5)^{\circ}$ at Cu and $108.9(5)^{\circ}$ at O .

Introduction. The title compound is one in a series of copper complexes under investigation which contain ring-substituted pyridine 1 -oxide ligands. An ongoing correlative study is being made with respect to their chemical compositions, EPR spectra and molecular structures (Pavkovic \& Brown, 1982; West, Pavkovic \& Brown, 1980). The present structure determination was undertaken because the title compound differs markedly in its spectral and magnetic properties from previously available examples (West \& Wang, 1979).

Amber crystals were obtained by slow evaporation from a methanol/ethyl orthoformate solution of the powdered compound. A fragment (measuring $0.15 \times$ $0.24 \times 0.36 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) was mounted nearly parallel to the $a^{*}$ axis, and all subsequent measurements were carried out with a Picker FACS-I automated diffractometer. The crystal belongs to the triclinic system and cell constants were determined by a least-squares refinement of 33 reflections ( $60<|2 \theta|<78^{\circ}$ ) measured with $\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha$ radiation $\left[\lambda\left(\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha_{1}\right)=1.54050, \lambda\left(\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha_{2}\right)=\right.$ $1.54433 \AA$ ]. The structure was solved and is reported using the unit cell given in the $A b s t r a c t$. A reduced cell [ $a=8.7381$ (9), $b=9.2975$ (9), $c=11.0483$ (11) $\AA, \alpha$ $\left.=80.74(1), \beta=76.98(1), \gamma=63.48(1)^{\circ}\right]$ is obtained by transforming with the matrix whose rows $1-3$ are: $011,010,-100$. The space group was assumed to be $P \overline{1}$, and this choice was verified by a subsequent successful structure solution.

Intensities were measured with Ni -filtered Cu radiation ( $40 \mathrm{kV}, 12 \mathrm{~mA}$, take-off angle $2 \cdot 5^{\circ}$ ). Data were collected using the coupled $\theta: 2 \theta$ technique from 3 to $120^{\circ}$, with a scan rate of $2^{\circ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ and range of 2.4 $\times(1+0.4 \tan \theta)^{\circ}$, with 10 s background measurements at both extremities of the scan. 2328 reflections were measured of which 2147 reflections having $\left|F_{o}\right|>$ $3 \sigma\left(F_{o}\right)$ were used in the structure solution and refinement; $\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}\right)=1 / w=\left(F_{o} / 2 I_{n}\right)^{2}\left[I_{s}+\left(t_{s} / t_{b}\right)^{2} I_{b}+\right.$ $\left.\left(0.02 I_{n}\right)^{2}\right]$, where $I, t, s, n$ and $b$ refer to intensity (counts), time (s), scan, net and background, respectively. Three standard reflections measured after every 50 data reflections showed an average intensity decrease of less than $1 \%$. Intensities, which were corrected for absorption as a function of $\varphi$ [linear $\mu=$ $4.98 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ : maximum/minimum transmission (calculated) $=1.5$, (observed) $=1.4]$ and Lorentzpolarization effects in the usual manner, were converted to structure factor amplitudes.

The structure was refined by a full-matrix leastsquares program which minimized the function $\sum w\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right)^{2}$, utilized anisotropic temperature factors and included a correction for secondary extinction. Atomic scattering factors for nonhydrogen atoms were taken from tabulations of Cromer \& Waber (1965) and for H atoms the values of Stewart, Davidson \& Simpson (1965) were used; corrections for real and imaginary anomalous-dispersion effects were applied to scattering factors of copper and chlorine atoms (Cromer \& Liberman, 1970).

A difference Fourier electron density map contained peaks near all 16 expected H atom positions. H atoms were included in the model structure and refined isotropically. Refinement converged to $R=\left[\sum\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\right.\right.$ $\left.\left.\left|F_{c}\right|\right) / \sum\left(F_{o}\right)\right]=0.041$ and $\boldsymbol{R}_{\boldsymbol{w}}=\left[\sum w\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\right.\right.$ $\left.\left.\left|F_{c}\right|\right)^{2} / \sum w\left(F_{o}\right)^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}=0.047$. There were no significant


Fig. 1. A perspective view of the $\left[\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{CuN}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right]_{2}$ molecule (Johnson, 1965). The hydrogen atoms are omitted from the diagram and all other atoms are shown as ellipsoids of $50 \%$ probability.

Table 1. Final positional parameters and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters



Fig. 2. A diagrammatic representation of the $\left[\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{CuN}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right]_{2}$ molecule showing bond distances ( $\AA$ ) and angles ( ${ }^{\circ}$ ). Atoms on the right (unprimed symbols) are related to those on the left (primed symbols) by an inversion center. Bond distances and angles involving Cu have e.s.d.'s less than $0.003 \AA$ and $0.10^{\circ}$; other distances and angles have e.s.d.'s of $0.004-0.007 \AA$ and $0.25-0.50^{\circ}$.
shifts observed for nonhydrogen atom parameters in the final cycle of refinement. For H atom parameters the observed shifts were less than $0 \cdot 3 \sigma$. Major peaks in the final difference Fourier electron density map have a maximum height of $0.5 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \AA^{-3}$, and are located within $1.2 \AA$ of the copper atom. Atomic coordinates are listed in Table 1, Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the complex, and Fig. 2 shows the atom numbering scheme and bonding distances and angles. E.s.d.'s (from the least-squares matrix) are less than $0.007 \AA$ and $0.6^{\circ}$ for all bond distances and angles. E.s.d.'s involving bonds to copper are less than $0.003 \AA$ and $0.1^{\circ}$. Throughout the text primed atom symbols refer to inverted positions ( $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$ ) relative to their coordinates listed in Table 1.*

[^0]Discussion. The coordination geometry about Cu can be described as a distorted square pyramid. The square is composed of $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ and three O atoms with $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ and $O\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ below and $O(1)$ and $O(2)$ above the idealized base plane by as much as 0.31 (1) $\AA$. The Cu and $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ are 0.41 (1) and 2.86 (1) $\AA$ above the idealized plane and the $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ bond makes an angle of $77(1)^{\circ}$ to the plane. The two square pyramids in the dimer are related by an inversion center. They share $O(1)$ and $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ along a common base edge. The amine N atoms are not coordinated to Cu .

At the center of the molecule the separation between opposed atoms within the $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}^{\prime}-\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ central ring is 2.351 (5) for $\mathrm{O}(1)$ and 3.289 (1) $\AA$ for Cu . The angle between the $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(2)$ and $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{N}(3)$ planes is $34 \cdot 2(4)^{\circ}$. The dihedral angle between planes of the central ring and bridging pyridine ring $(A)$ is $90(1)^{\circ}$ whereas for the terminal pyridine ring $(B)$ the corresponding angle is $70(1)^{\circ}$; between the planes of ring $A$ and ring $B$ the angle is $86(1)^{\circ}$.

Amine H atoms from both rings are H bonded to $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ and the parameters are $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{Cl}(1)=2.58$ (4), 2.41 (4); $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Cl}(1)=3.278$ (4), 3.327 (4) $\AA$; and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{Cl}(1)=147(3), 166(3)^{\circ}$, where the first value listed refers to ring $A$ atoms and the second to ring $B$ atoms. There are no H bonds to $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$. The tilt of ring $B$ relative to the central ring serves to enhance $H$ bonding to $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ and reduce steric interactions between pyridine ring atoms and $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$.

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