Discussion. Details of the tartrate molecule are shown in Fig. 1. The bond lengths and angles observed are conformable with those reported for (+)-tartaric acid (Okaya, Stemple & Kay, 1966). Calcium is surrounded by eight oxygens at distances between 2.377 (3) and



Fig. 2. A projection of the calcium tartrate tetrahydrate structure down the *b* axis. Ca-O and intramolecular hydrogen bonds have been omitted for clarity. The O(7) water molecule is almost occluded by Ca in this view and is also omitted: hydrogen bonds to O(7) are shown by arrowheads. Ca is represented by stars, C by small filled circles, O by hollow circles, H by hollow triangles and water oxygen atoms by large filled circles.

2.518 (3) Å, arranged in a distorted Siamese dodecahedron (Johnson, 1966).

The intermolecular linkages are shown in Fig. 2. Calcium links the tartrate molecules into infinite chains parallel to the c axis, with one Ca–O bond per tartrate molecule linking adjacent chains in the a direction. Most interchain linkage is provided by the network of hydrogen bonds formed by the additional water molecules. Calcium bonds directly to O(7) and O(8), each of which hydrogen bonds to an adjacent tartrate group. The water molecules O(9) and O(10) only participate in intermolecular linkage through hydrogen bonding.

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cis-Dichlorobis[dibenzyl(phenyl)phosphine]platinum(II)

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Abstract. [Pt(C₂₀H₁₉P)₂Cl₂], C₄₀H₃₈Cl₂P₂Pt, monoclinic; at 289 K: C2/c, a = 20.017 (5), b = 13.772 (5), c = 15.306 (4) Å, $\beta = 114.47$ (2)°, V = 2840 (2) Å³, Z = 4, $D_c = 1.51$, $D_x = 1.47$ g cm⁻³, μ (Mo K α) = 39.37 cm⁻¹. R = 0.038 for 3170 observed reflections. Distances around Pt are normal [Pt–Cl 2.355 (4), Pt–P 2.246 (4) Å] but some angles indicate a significant degree of overcrowding [P–Pt–P 103.0 (1)°, one P–C(CH₂)–C(aromatic) 120.2 (4)°].

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Introduction. The title compound was prepared in the course of investigations into $Pt-SnCl_3$ compounds (Nelson, MacDougall, Holt, Alcock & Mathey, 1981). Its structure is of interest in relation to other *cis*-square-planar complexes for the degree of overcrowding around the heavy-metal atom (Alcock, Kemp & Wimmer, 1981). Chunky crystals were isolated by slow evaporation of a CH_2Cl_2 solution of *trans*-(Bz₂PPh)₂Pt(SnCl₃)Cl (Bz = benzyl). Although ³¹P

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and ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR show that the only species in solution is trans-L₂Pt(SnCl₃)Cl, it is cis-L₂PtCl₂ that crystallizes out. NMR data for the complex trans-(Bz₂PPh)₂Pt(SnCl₃)Cl in CH₂Cl₂ at 223 K are: δ^{31} P 9·3 p.p.m. relative to 85% H₃PO₄, δ^{195} Pt = -6743 p.p.m. relative to H₂PtCl₆, ¹J_{PtP} = 2266 Hz, ²J_{SnP} = 152 Hz, ¹J_{Pt¹¹⁹Sn} = 28203 Hz, ¹J_{Pt¹¹⁷Sn} = 27686 Hz. The NMR data for cis-(Bz₂PPh)₂PtCl₂ have been given elsewhere (MacDougall, Nelson & Mathey, 1982).

Data were collected with a Syntex $P2_1$, four-circle diffractometer. Maximum 2θ was 50°, with scan range $\pm 0.9^{\circ}$ (2 θ) around the $K\alpha_1 - K\alpha_2$ angles, scan speed $\overline{2}$ -29° min⁻¹, depending on the intensity of a 2 s pre-scan; backgrounds were measured at each end of the scan for 0.25 of the scan time. The crystal was held at 153 K with the Syntex LT-1 attachment. Three standard reflections were monitored every 200 reflections, and showed slight decreases during data collection; the data were rescaled to correct for this. Unit-cell dimensions and standard deviations were obtained by least-squares fit to 15 high-angle reflections. 3170 observed reflections $|I/\sigma(I) > 3.0|$ were used in refinement, and corrected for Lorentz, polarization and absorption effects, the last with ABSCOR (Alcock, 1970); maximum and mimimum transmission factors were 0.462 and 0.381. The crystal dimensions were $0.38 \times 0.30 \times 0.38$ mm. Systematic absences hkl, h + k = 2n + 1, h0l, l = 2n + 1, indicated space group Cc or C2/c. The latter was initially selected and shown to be satisfactory in the final refinement. The heavy atom was located by Patterson

Table 1. Atomic coordinates $(\times 10^4)$ with standard deviations in parentheses and average isotropic U values $(\dot{A}^2 \times 10^3)$

	x	v	Z	U
Đt	0	1059.0 (5)	2500	20
	814 (2)	-171(2)	2400 (3)	31
	974(2)	-171(2)	275(3)	21
P(1)	634 (2)	2074 (2)	2373 (3)	22
$C(\Pi I)$	604 (6)	3372(8)	2077(9)	32
C(112)	1080 (6)	3877 (8)	1669 (9)	32
C(113)	1763 (7)	4251 (8)	2266 (10)	37
C(114)	2223 (7)	4636 (9)	1882 (12)	50
C(115)	1999 (8)	4664 (10)	909 (13)	62
C(116)	1313 (10)	4336 (11)	304 (12)	63
C(117)	853 (7)	3942 (10)	682 (10)	42
C(121)	1682 (6)	2075 (8)	3477 (8)	28
C(122)	1560 (6)	2076 (8)	4379 (8)	28
C(123)	1534 (6)	1197 (9)	4816 (9)	32
C(124)	1439 (7)	1162 (10)	5658 (9)	38
C(125)	1349 (7)	2021 (10)	6075 (9)	42
C(126)	1357 (8)	2901 (10)	5643 (10)	43
C(127)	1467 (7)	2926 (9)	4799 (9)	34
C(131)	1100 (6)	1719 (8)	1421 (8)	28
C(132)	1818 (6)	1847 (9)	1501 (9)	33
C(133)	1973 (7)	1683 (9)	711 (10)	44
C(134)	1434 (8)	1397 (9)	-150 (10)	44
C(135)	722 (8)	1254 (10)	-231 (9)	41
C(136)	556 (7)	1413 (9)	547 (9)	34

Table 2. Bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) with e.s.d.'sin parentheses

Pt-Ci	2.355(4)		Cl. Pt. Cl	87.9(1)
Pt · P	$2 \cdot 246(4)$		Cl Pt-P	84.6(1)
			CI-Pt-P	171.6(1)
			P - Pt - P	103.0(1)
P-C(111)	1.86	5(1)	C(111)-P-Pt	120-2 (4)
P-C(121)	1.83	3 (1)	C(121)- P- Pt	111-1 (5)
P-C(131)	1.82	2(1)	C(131)- P Pt	112-1 (4)
			C(111) P C(121)	105-5 (5)
			C(111) P C(131)	100-8 (6)
			C(121) P C(131)	105-8 (6)
C(111)-C	(112)	1.51 (2)	C(112)-C(111)-P	114-2 (9)
C(121)-C	(122)	1.50 (2)	C(122) · C(111)–P	113-9 (8)

C C (aromatic) 1.386 (5, avg.), C-C-C (aromatic) 120.0 (4, avg.). [Individual distances, e.s.d. 0.02-0.03 Å, and angles, e.s.d. $1.2-1.5^{\circ}$, do not deviate by more than one standard deviation from these averages.]

techniques and the light atoms were then found on successive Fourier syntheses. H atoms were inserted at calculated positions with fixed isotropic temperature factors, $B = 5.0 \text{ Å}^2$, and were not refined. Final refinement was by least-squares methods, in large blocks. Unit weights were used and were shown to be satisfactory by a weight analysis. The final *R* value was 0.038. Computing was with the XRAY 76 system (Stewart, 1976), on a Burroughs B6700 and a CDC7600 computer. Scattering factors in the analytical form and anomalous-dispersion factors were taken from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1974). Final atomic coordinates are given in Table 1 and bond lengths and angles in Table 2.*

Discussion. The compound is monomeric, with crystallographic twofold symmetry (Fig. 1). The Pt-Cl distance [2.355 (4) Å] is slightly but significantly shorter than those in the related compounds [(Me₂Ph)P]₂PtCl₂ (Baker, Braithwaite & Nyholm, 1972), and [Me₃P]₂PtCl₂ (Messmer, Amma & Ibers, [average over four Pt-Cl distances, 1967) $2 \cdot 374$ (3) Å]; the Pt-P distances are the same to within experimental error. Kaduk & Ibers (1977) have compared Pt-Cl and Pt-P distances in a number of complexes and found that Pt-Cl ranges from 2.291 (2) to 2.454 (4) Å and Pt-P ranges from 2.268 (4) to 2.328 (2) Å. Thus, the Pt-Cl distance in cis-(Bz,PPh),PtCl, is in the mid-point of this range but the Pt-P distance is short. Bz₃P is easily ortho-metallated and the complex $[Bz_2PCH_2C_6H_4]_2Pt$ shows Pt-P2.277 (2) Å (average), with Pt-C of 2.067 (7) Å (average) (Porzio, 1980). The dihedral angles of the P-C bonds in the present compound are such that the

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Fig. 1. The molecule of $[(C_6H_5CH_2)_2(C_6H_5)P]_2PtCl_2$, showing the atomic numbering.

closest Pt-C(*o*) approach is 3.61 (1) Å, to C(123), too long to indicate incipient *ortho*-metallation. The title compound appears to be significantly more crowded than either of the parallels cited above, from its P-Pt-P angle [103.0 (1) vs 94.5 and 96.2°]. It also shows the single large C-P-M angle [here 120.2 (4)°] similar to those of 120.7 and 121.5° found in the notably overcrowded {(C₃H₇)₃P}PdCl₂ (Alcock, Kemp & Wimmer, 1981). However, the conformation around Pt shows only slight deviations from planarity with Cl and P atoms alternately up and down by ± 0.07 Å. This is probably better viewed as a twist between the P-Pt-P plane and the Cl-Pt-Cl plane, of $5 \cdot 1$ (2)°. The title compound is also more crowded than the *ortho*-metallated compound for which the PPtP angle is $106 \cdot 0^{\circ}$ and the twist angle is $1 \cdot 5^{\circ}$.

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Abstract. [NHC₇H₉]₄ [V₁₀H₂O₂₈], monoclinic, $P2_1/n$, a = 19.473 (2), b = 9.938 (1), c = 11.965 (4) Å, $\beta =$ 92.26 (1)°, V = 2314.8 Å³, μ (Mo K α) = 17.35 mm⁻¹, D_m (pycnometric method) = $D_x = 2.00$ Mg m⁻³ for Z = 2. The structure was solved by direct methods and refined to a final R value of 0.08 for 2842 observed reflexions. The 4-ethylpyridinium groups are bonded to the oxygens of the decavanadate anion by an intermolecular hydrogen bond between the pyridine nitrogen and the most basic oxygens of the decavanadate group. This group consists of ten distorted VO₆ octahedra that

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