An Infrared and Raman Spectroscopic Study of Td-type 4,4'-bipyridylcadmium(II) Tetracyanometallate (II) Benzene (1/2) Clathrates: $Cd(C_{10}H_8N_2)Cd(CN)_4 \cdot 2C_6H_6$ and $Cd(C_{10}H_8N_2)Hg(CN)_4 \cdot 2C_6H_6$

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Abstract. Two new benzene clathrates of the form Cd(4,4'-bipyridyl) $M(CN)_4 \cdot 2C_6H_6$, (M=Cd or Hg) have been prepared in powder form. Their spectral data were compared with those of the corresponding host complexes and found to be consistent with the host structure found in Td-type clathrates.

Key words: Hofmann-Td-type clathrate, Cd-bipyridyl tetracyanometallate complexes, 4,4'-bipyridyl benzene inclusion compounds, IR and Raman spectra.

1. Introduction

In a recent paper [1], we reported that the IR and Raman spectral results suggest that the structure of Cd(pyrazine)M(CN)₄·Benzene (M=Cd or Hg) compounds are similar to those found in Td-type clathrates given with a general formula Cd(II)L₂M(II)(CN)₄ · nG, where L₂ is a bidentate ligand or a pair of unidentate ligand molecules, M is Cd or Hg and n is the number of G (guest) molecules depending on the bulkiness of the ligands. The host framework is formed from infinite -Cd-L₂-Cd- chains extending along the a and b axes alternately and tetrahedral M(CN)₄ ions arranged between the consecutive crossing -Cd-L₂-Cd- chains with the N-ends bound to the Cd atoms [2–5]. This structure provides two kinds of cavities, α and β , for the guest molecules. The α cavity is a rectangular box

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similar to those in Hofmann-type hosts, while the β cavity is a twisted biprism, as has been demonstrated in previous papers [2-4].

We have prepared two similar new compounds of the form Cd(4,4'-bipyridyl)M(CN)₄ · 2C₆H₆ (M=Cd or Hg, abbreviated to Cd-M-bipy-2G). In this paper, an IR and Raman spectroscopic study on these clathrates is reported. For the purposes of comparison and discussion, the corresponding host complexes Cd-Cd-bipy and Cd-Hg-bipy have been prepared and their infrared spectral data are also reported.

2. Experimental

2.1. PREPARATIONS

All chemicals used were reagent grade (Merck) and used without further purification.

Cd-Cd-bipy-2G

 $Cd(CN)_2$ (0.3288g, 2 mmol), 0.1718g (1.1 mmol) bipyridyl and 10 mL of benzene were added to 50 mL of water. After vigorous stirring for a week the white precipitate was filtered, washed with water, ethanol and ether successively, and kept in a desiccator under benzene saturated vapor pressure.

Cd-Hg-bipy-2G

The preparation of this clathrate was similar to the previous one using $Cd(CN)_2$ (1 mmol) and $Hg(CN)_2$ (1 mmol) in place of $Cd(CN)_2$ (2 mmol).

Cd-Cd-bipy and Cd-Hg-bipy

In the absence of benzene the preparations given above result in the corresponding host complexes. See Table I.

Analytical results

The freshly prepared samples were analyzed for Cd and Hg by AAS (Perkin Elmer 2280 and Hitachi 180–70).

TAE	BLE I			
Compound	Foun	d(%)	Calcula	ated(%)
	Cd	Hg	Cd	Hg
$Cd(C_{10}H_8N_2)Cd(CN)_4 \cdot 2C_6H_6$:	35.13	_	35.05	_
$Cd(C_{10}H_8N_2)Hg(CN)_4 \cdot 2C_6H_6$:	15.46	26.92	15.41	27.50
$Cd(C_{10}H_8N_2)Cd(CN)_4$.	46.67	-	46.34	-
$Cd(C_{10}H_8N_2)Hg(CN)_4$.	19.97	33.86	19.61	34.99



Fig. 1. The IR spectra of the Cd-Cd-bipy-2C₆H₆ (a) and Cd-Hg-bipy-2C₆H₆ (b) clathrates.

2.2. Apparatus

The IR spectra of the compounds were recorded between 4000 and 300 cm⁻¹ on Perkin Elmer 1330 and 621 spectrometers, which were calibrated using a standard indene/camphor/cyclohexanone solution. The samples were prepared as mulls in Nujol and hexachlorobutadiene in a CsI cell.

The Raman spectra of the samples in a spinning cell were excited using the 514.5 nm line of a Spectra-Physics Model 2016-4s Ar^+ ion laser and recorded on a Jobin-Yvon U1000 (wavelength drive) spectrometer, which was calibrated against the laser plasma emission lines.

3. Results and Discussion

The IR spectra of the Cd-Cd-bipy-2G and Cd-Hg-bipy-2G clathrates are given in Figures 1a and 1b, respectively. The Raman spectrum of the Cd-Cd-bipy-2G clathrate is given in Figure 2. The vibrational spectral features of the two compounds are found to be very similar, suggesting that they have isomorphous crystal structures. Because of the lack of structural data for the compounds studied,



Fig. 2. The Raman spectrum of the Cd-Cd-bipy- $2C_6H_6$ clathrate. The upper numbers are the wavenumber shifts (cm⁻¹) of the bands.

the vibrational assignment was made by treating the 4,4'-bipyridyl and benzene molecules and the $M(CN)_4^{2-}$ (M=Cd or Hg) ions as isolated units. The IR and Raman spectra and the assignments made are given for 4,4'-bipyridyl, benzene and $M(CN)_4^{2-}$ ions in Tables I, II and III, respectively, along with some relevant spectral data for comparison.

3.1. 4,4'-BIPYRIDYL VIBRATIONS

X-ray structural data of the 4,4'-bipyridyl molecule in the solid state are not available in the literature. However, the assignments based on the IR and Raman spectra of the molecule in the solid phase and the normal coordinate analysis [6–9] have been reported to be in accord with the centrosymmetric and planar structure with the symmetry D_{2h} . The 4,4'-bipyridyl molecule in the Hofmann-type M(4,4'bipyridyl) Ni(CN)₄ (M=Ni or Cd) complexes and their dioxane, benzene, toluene, aniline and N, N'-dimethylaniline clathrates [6], and the monomeric PcML and PcML₂, dimeric PcM-L-MPc and polymeric [PcML]_n (PcM=phthalocyaninatometal(II), M=Fe or Co and L=4,4'-bipyridyl) complexes [10] has been studied by vibrational spectroscopy. The criterion of the activity of the 4,4'-bipyridyl vibrations as evidence of a centrosymmetric structure with D_{2h} symmetry was used, and, on this basis, found that in metal complexes in which both nitrogen atoms of 4,4'-bipyridyl are coordinated to identical metal atoms, the D_{2h} symmetry is preserved [6, 10] but is removed in unidentate coordination [10].

The assignments and the wavenumbers of the vibrational bands of 4,4'-bipyridyl observed in the IR and Raman spectra of the Cd-Cd-bipy-2G and Cd-Hg-bipy-2G clathrates and the IR spectra of their host complexes are listed in Tables Ia and Ib, respectively, together with the wavenumbers of 4,4'-bipyridyl in the solid and in solution on which the assignments are based. The numbering of frequencies is the same as that used by Sungur *et al.* [6] and Sungur [7]. In Table I, the 4,4'-bipyridyl wavenumbers observed in the IR and Raman spectra of the Cd(4,4'-bipyridyl) Ni(CN)₄ complex, which is assumed to have 4,4'-bipyridyl bridges [6] are also

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Cd-Hg-bipy-2G 075vw 064vs 002vs 3080m 220sh [216vs 3030m .316w 3060w 3049w 594vs 487m 981w 617vs 804vs 1534s 410s670w 850m 489m 387m 729s ; IR wavenumbers (cm^{-1}) of 4,4'-bipyridyl in Cd-M-bipy-2G (G=C₆H₆) and their host complexes. Cd-Cd-bipy-2G 1075vw l 220sh 3060w 3051w 594vs 486m 1216vs 1064vs [002vs 3081m 3031m l315w 981w 617vs 673w 804vs 1532s [410s 851m 490m 731s 388m Cd-Hg-bipy 601vs 3063w 3055w 1068m 3083m [313w 1216sh [488w 3038m l528m w690) 980m 620vs [411s 672w 809vs 1224s 1005s 860w 479m 369w 729sCd-Cd-bipy 3063w 3055w 601vs 1069m 3083m l529m [313w 1217sh l488w 3038m 1070w 830vs l 224s 005s 981m 620vs 411s 672w 860w 478m 369w 729sCd-Ni-bipy^a 1216 1414 315 219 3069 3053 1605 1488 1011 976 3078 3036 064 534 078 568 632 359 803 729 488 386 1 in CCl^b 4,4-bipyridyl 3062 1037 1529 1312 1065 1583 1212 1402 3021 481 987 971 604 672 501 ī 1 1 T Solid⁴ 3055 3047 3078 3029 1598 1215 [044 413 324 074 967 532 223 481 994 615 862 810 507 677 737 367 T 18 inter ring bend $4 \nu \operatorname{ring}+\delta(\operatorname{CH})$ 10 v(CH) 11 ν(CH) 14 δ(CH) 15 δ(CH) 17 Sring 19γ (CH) 20γ (CH) 3ν ring 12 vring 13 vring 16 vring $21 \gamma ring$ $22 \gamma ning$ 2 v(CH) 23 yring 1 ν(CH) 5 δ(CH) 6 ôring 7 vring 8 vring 9 bring Symmetry and assignment^a B_{3u} B_{2u} B_{1u}

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^a Taken from [6], ^b this study. vs: very strong, s: strong, w: weak, vw: very weak, sh: shoulder.

TABLE Ib

Raman wavenumbers (cm⁻¹) of 4,4'-bipyridyl in Cd-M-bipy-2G (G=C₆H₆) clathrates.

Symn assigr	netry and iment ^a	4,4-bi Solid ^a	pyridyl in CCl ₄	Cd-Cd-bipy-2G	Cd-Hg-bipy-2G
A_q	1ν (CH)	3059	3057	3072m	3072m
5	2ν (CH)	3048	3037	3046m	3046m
	$3 \nu ring$	1617	1611	1614vs	1614vs
	$4 \nu ring$	1514	1503	1515m	1516m
	$5 \nu ring + \delta(CH)$	1301	1292	1295vs	1296vs
	6 δ(CH)	1230	1219	1229m	1229m
	7 ν ring+ δ (CH)	1025	1022	_	-
	8 ν ring	1000	993	1016vs	1014vs
	9 δ ring+ ν ring	762	754	-	-
	$10 \ \delta$ ring	325	-	-	_
B_{1q}	11 v(CH)	3059	3053	3059w	3059w
U	12 v(CH)	3018	3002	_	-
	13 ν ring	1605	1602	1608m	1608m
	14 ν ring	1427	1441	-	-
	15 δ(CH)	1348	-	1343w	-
	16 δ (CH)+ ν ring	1265	1245	1246w	1246w
	17 ν ring+ δ (CH)	1075	1083w	1083m	
	18 δ ring	680	660	663m	664m
	19 δ ring	384	383	391vm	_
B_{2g}	20 γ(CH)	881	867	864w	863w
Ū	21 γ (CH)		_	773vw	773vw
	22 γ ring	742	-	-	-
	23 γ ring	574	571	576m	575m
	24 γ ring	369	350	355vw	_
B_{3q}	25 γ(CH)	_	_	_	_
- 0	26 γ(CH)	866	846	864vm	864vm
	27 γ ring	~	534	-	_

^a Taken from [7], ^b this study.

included for comparison. Our assignment is in agreement with that of Sungur *et al.* [6] and Sungur [7].

IR and Raman spectral data for 4,4'-bipyridyl in the compounds studied are consistent with all the characteristics of a coordinated ligand [1, 6, 10], that is, several modes of 4,4'-bipyridyl with B_{3u} symmetry have upward shifts in wavenumber in comparison with those of 4,4'-bipyridyl in solution (Tables Ia and Ib). Similar

shifts are observed in the M(4,4'-bipyridyl) Ni(CN)₄ (M=Cd or Ni) complexes and explained by coupling of the internal vibrations of 4,4'-bipyridyl with the M-N (4,4'-bipyridyl) stretching frequency [6]. The fact that the more pronounced upward shifts in frequencies of the host complexes (Table I) indicate that the puckering of the host framework in the absence of the guest molecule results in a stronger M–N bond, and in turn, a stronger vibrational coupling. These observations and the noncoincidencies between the IR and Raman frequencies (Tables Ia and Ib), considered together, implies bidentate coordination of 4,4'-bipyridyl with a centrosymmetric planar structure in Cd-M-bipy-2G clathrates and their host complexes.

3.2. BENZENE VIBRATIONS

The assignments and the wavenumbers of the vibrational bands of benzene observed in the IR and Raman spectra of Cd-Cd-4,4'-bipy-2G and Cd-Hg-bipy-2G clathrates are tabulated in Table II, together with the wavenumbers of benzene in the liquid phase [11, 12] and in some clathrates [1, 3] on which the assignments are based. The most structurally informative spectral features which merit comment are the following: the CH out-of-plane (A_{2u}) vibrational bands of the clathrates are found to be shifted to higher frequency (695 cm^{-1}) (Table II) from that of liquid benzene (675 cm⁻¹). Similar positive frequency shifts (about 30 cm⁻¹) were observed for Hofmann-type clathrates by Akyüz et al. [14]. Akyüz et al. explained this upward shift by the presence of a weak hydrogen bond between π electrons located above and below the plane of the benzene ring and the ammonia molecules of the host lattice. Similar shifts have been found for other members of Hofmann-type compounds [15]. Therefore, we may resonably suggest that the frequency shifts in our clathrate compounds are due to the π electron donation from the benzene ring to the hydrogen atoms of the 4,4'-bipyridyl which has a more electrophilic character caused by the bidentate coordination. These experimental observations are also consistent with the theory of orbital following during molecular vibrations [16–19]. The depletion of π -electron density of the benzene molecules by an electrophilic agent leads to a decreased ability of the carbon bonding orbitals (sp^2) to follow the out-of-plane movement of the hydrogen atoms. This results in a higher bending vibration frequency because the vibrations occur with greater difficulty as orbital overlap $(sp^2 - \pi)$ decreases. Another essential feature of the out-of-plane CH bending vibration (A_{2u}) is that it appears as a very intense single band at 695 cm^{-1} in the infrared spectra of the clathrate compounds (Table II). A similar single band was observed in the infrared spectra of the Hofmann-type clathrates. M(NH₃)₂ Ni(CN)₄ 2C₆H₆ (M=Mn, Fe, Ni, Cu, Zn or Cd) [14]. This vibrational mode splits into a doublet for Cd(pyrazine) $M(CN)_4 2C_6H_6$ (M=Cd or Hg) [1] and Cd(ethylenediamine) Ni(CN)₄ 2C₆H₆ [20] and a triplet for Cd(en)M(CN)₄ 2C₆H₆ (M=Cd or Hg) [3]. In the case of clathrates with doublet or triplet features the splittings are due to the strong host-guest interactions (i.e. crystal field effects) [1]. In the case of clathrates with a single band, because of the larger cavities (α and

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Vibrational wavenumbers (cm^{-1}) of benzene in Cd-Cd-bipy-2G, Cd-Hg-bipy-2G (G=C₆H₆) and in other host frameworks.

Assignment ^a	Liquid	benzene	Cd-Cd-	pyz-G ^b	Cd-Hg-	pyz-G ^b	Cd-Cd-en-2G°	cd-cd-	bipy-2G	Cd-Hg-b	ipy-2G
	IR ^d	R°	R	R	R	R	R	IR	R	IR	R
$ u_8 + (u_1 + u_6) $	1	3187	1	3183	1	1	F	I		1	1
$2\nu_8$	1	3166	I	3163	I	ŀ	I	Ι	3172m	I	3172m
$ u_{20}E_{1u}$	3073	I	3088	ł	3088	I	3076	I	1	I	I
$ u_{13}B_{1u}$	3062 ^f	I	3068	I	3086	I	Ι	i	ł	t	ł
$ u_2 A_{1g} $	-	3062	ł	3062	l	3062	1	1	3066 ^g m	I	3066m
$\nu_7 E_{2g}$	ł	3050	I	3053	Ι	3053	1	I	I	I	I
$\nu_{3} + \nu_{1} + \nu_{6}$	I	2949	I	2950	I	2950	1	1	2953w	1	2953w
$(u_5+ u_{17})E_{1u}$	1955	1	1951	I	1951	I	1961	1980w	1	1980	I
$\nu_1 + \nu_6$ in	l	1606	I	1603	T	1604	I	I	1605m	1	1605m
$ u_8 E_{2g}$ resonance	I	1586	I	1586	I	1586		I	1587m	I	1587m
$ u_{19}E_{1u}$	1479	I	1479	I	1479	ļ	1478	1482w	I	1482w	I
$ u_{14}B_{2u}$	1309	I	1	I	1		1315	1315 ^g	I	1315 ^g m	I
$(u_{10} + u_{16}) E_{1u}^{\ \ d}$	1251	I	I	I	I	1	I	1291m	I	1291m	Ι
$ u_9 E_{2g} $	1	1177	ł	1177	i	1177	I	I	1178w	1	1178m
$ u_{15}B_{2u}$	1149	I	1147	I	1147	I	1147	1149w	I	1149w	1
$ u_{18}E_{1u}$	1036	I	1035	1	1035	Ι	1036	1035s	I	1039s	I
$ u_1 A_{1g}$	I	166	I	991	I	991	1	I	992s	ł	$992 \mathrm{m}$
$ u_{17}E_{2u}$	996	I	ł	1	ł	l	I	I	I	Ι	Ι
$ u_{10}E_{1g}$	I	850	I	855	I	854	I	ł	855w	1	855w
$ u_{11}A_{2u}$	670	I	685	I	685	l	688	695vs	I	695vs	I
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 b,c,d,c Taken from [1, 3, 11, 12], respectively, ^f calculated value, ^g overlapped with bipy. band.

^a Using the numbering system of Wilson [13].

 β) due to the ligands, the host-guest interactions are not expected to be effective for splitting.

Owing to the lack of X-ray structural study on Cd-M-4,4'-bipy-2G clathrates, the location of the benzene molecules are unknown. However, based on the vibrational spectroscopic results, we tentatively propose that each of the two cavities (α and β) accommodates a benzene molecule. A complete single crystal study is required to shed light on this proposal.

3.3. $CD(CN)_4$ and $HG(CN)_4$ group vibrations

The fact that in the host framework of the Td-type clathrates [1, 4] and the Tdtype host complexes [5] the metal atom M in M(CN)₄ is tetrahedrally surrounded by the carbon ends of four CN ions suggests that the clathrates and their host complexes studied here also have tetrahedral M(CN)₄ units. In order to assign the bands attributable to the M(CN)₄ (M=Cd or Hg) ion in the spectra of our clathrate compounds, we refer to the work of Jones who presented vibrational data for the salts $K_2Cd(CN)_4$ and $K_2Hg(CN)_4$ in the solid state [21]. The structural studies on these salts have shown that the K–NC distance is ca. 2.9 Å in $K_2Cd(CN)_4$ [22] and K₂Hg(CN)₄ [23], while the Cd–NC distance is ca. 2.3 Å in Td-type host frameworks [5, 24, 25]. Therefore, they can be used as references to account for the vibrational changes when the stiffer Cd-NC bonding takes place. The vibrational data for M(CN)₄ groups in the compounds studied are given in Table III, together with the vibrational wavenumbers of $K_2Cd(CN)_4$ and $K_2Hg(CN)_4$. In Table III is also listed the wavenumbers of the infrared and Raman spectra of the benzene clathrate compound Cd(pyrazine)Cd(CN)₄·C₆H₆ and Cd(pyrazine)Hg(CN)₄·C₆H₆ for comparison. The assigned wavenumbers for the M(CN)₄ group in the compounds studied appear to be much higher than those for isolated M(CN)₄ units (Table III). Such frequency shifts have been observed for other Td-type clathrates. Cd(pyrazine) Cd(CN)₄·C₆H₆ and Cd(pyrazine) Hg(CN)₄·C₆H₆ [1] (Table III) and Td-type host complexes, Cd(pyridine)₂ M(CN)₄ (M=Cd or Hg) [26], in which both ends of the CN group are coordinated and explained as the mechanical coupling of the internal modes of M(CN)₄ (M=Cd or Hg) with the metal (Cd)-NC vibrations [1, 26]. It follows that the N-ends of the M(CN)₄ groups are also bound to a Cd atom in our clathrates, $Cd(4,4'-bipy) M(CN)_4 \cdot 2C_6H_6$, and host complexes, $Cd(4,4'-bipy) M(CN)_4$.

The preceding discussion of the spectral data is based on the presumption that the host framework of the compounds studied are similar to those of regular Td-type clathrate compounds. However, in view of the long span length of the 4,4'-bipyridyl molecule, a word may be in order, too, at this point regarding the structure of our compounds. The Ni-(4,4'-bipyridyl)-Ni span length is 11.8 Å in the Ni(4,4'-bipyridyl)Ni(CN)₄ · 0.8C₆H₆ clathrate [27]. This suggests that the straight Cd-(4,4'-bipyridyl)-Cd span may be estimated to be ca. 11–12 Å. This length appears to be too long to keep the host framework of Cd[M(CN)₄] similar to

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Symmetry and assignment ^a	K_2Cd	$(CN)_4^a$	K ₂ Hg((CN) ^a	Cd-Cd-)	pyz-G ^b	cd-cd-t	oipy-2G	Cd-Hg-l	bipy-2G	Cd-Cd-bipy	Cd-Hg-bipy
	IR	R	R	Я	R	Я	Я	Я	IR	Я	IR	IR
$\nu_1(CN)A_1$	1	2149	1	2149		2180vs	1	2179vs	1	2179vs		
$\nu_5(CN)F_2$	2145	I	2146	I	2176vs	2172sh	2165vs	2166s	2165vs	2166s	2162ms	2163s
Hot band	I	ł	I	ł	2164vw	2162w	2150w	ŀ	2149w	1	ł	I
$\nu_2(MC)A_1$	I	327	I	335	I	I	I	355vw	ł	355vw	I	1
$\nu_6[\nu(MC)+\delta(NMC)]F_2$	316	I	330	1	365vs	1	350vs	I	350vs	1	348vs	348vs
$\nu_{7}[\nu(MC)+\delta(MMC)]F_{2}$	250	1	330	I	I	I	270m	I	273m	ł	ł	ĩ
^{a,b} Taken from [21, 1], respe	ctively.											

TABLE III

Cvanide group vibrational wavenumbers (cm^{-1}) for Cd-Cd-bipv-2G and Cd-Hg-bipv-2G (G=C,Hs) and their host complexes.

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those found in Cd(NH₃)₂ Hg(CN)₄ · 2C₆H₆ [2], Cd(NH₃)₂ Cd(CN)₄ · 2C₆H₆ [24] and Cd(ethylenediamine)₂ Cd(CN)₄ · 2C₆H₆ [5, 24]. Therefore, the framework of Cd[M(CN)₄] in Cd-Cd-2G, Cd-Hg-2G, Cd-Cd and Cd-Hg seems to be distorted about the coordination spheres of Cd(octahedral) and M(tetrahedral) (M=Cd or Hg) to some extent. Such distortions have been observed in other Td-type host structures [24, 25]. In this context, the fact to be noted is that a number of papers have suggested that similar compositions never support similar structures for the cyanometallate inclusion and complex systems [25, 28–33]. Hence, it should be emphasized that our proposal for the structure of the clathrate and complex compounds studied here is tentative and possibly speculative, but it appears consistent with the available data.

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