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#### Abstract

METAL-METAL BONDING IN DINUCLEAR COMPLEXES OF PLATINUM(I). THE CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF CARBONYL (CHLORO) --BIS- - [BIS (DIPHENYLPHOSPHINO)METHANE]DIPLATINUM HEXAFLUOROPHOSPHATE


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Summary
The structure of $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathrm{CO})\left(\mu-\mathrm{Ph}_{2} \mathrm{PCH}_{2} \mathrm{PPh}_{2}\right)_{2}\right]\left[\mathrm{PF}_{6}\right]$ was determined by $\underline{X}$-ray methods and refined to $\underline{R}=0.082$, using diffractometric intensities of 5646 independent reflections. The crystals are monoclinic, space group $\underline{P 2}^{2} /$ ne $a=12.919(3)$, $\underline{b}=15.576(6), \underset{c}{c}=25.151(5)^{\circ} \mathrm{A}, \beta=94.82(3)^{\circ}, \underline{z}=4 . \quad$ They are built of octahedral hexafluorophosphate anions and dinuclear platinum(I) cations. The latter contain Pt-Cl and Pt-Co fragments linked to one another by a Pt-Pt $\sigma$-bond and by two bridging bis(diphenylphosphino)methane ligands. The platinum atoms are in square planar environments and the dihedral angle between the two coordination planes is 40.1\%. Selected bond lengths are = Pt-Pt 2.620(1), Pt-cl 2.384 (5), Pt-C $1.89(3)$ and Pt-P $2.291(5)-2.308(5) \mathrm{A}$.

## Introduction

Brown and coworkers have made and characterised a large number of dinuclear complexes of platinum, in which the metal
centres are bridged by two bis (diphenylphosphino)methane, dppm, ligands [1-4]. Vibrational and n.m.r. spectra indicate, that in some of these complexes the metal atoms are also linked directly by Pt-Pt bonds. The existence of such bonds has been established by X-ray diffraction studies, first in $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right][5,6]$ and now in the title compound. $\left[P t_{2} C I\right.$ (CO) ( $\mu-$ dppm $\left.)_{2}\right]_{6}\left[P F_{6}\right.$ - Detailed structural features of these two complexes are also of interest in view of the recent suggestion of Brown et al. that the magnitudes of ${ }^{31} p-{ }^{31} p$ and ${ }^{195}{ }_{P t-}{ }^{31} P$ coupling constants may provide a measure of the strength of metal-metal bonding in the complexes containing $\mathrm{Pt}_{2}\left(\mu-\mathrm{dppm}_{2}\right.$ units [7].

## Experimental

Crystal Data

$$
\mathrm{C}_{51} \mathrm{H}_{44} \mathrm{ClF}_{6} \mathrm{OP}_{5} \mathrm{Pt}_{2}, \mathrm{M}=1367.4 . \quad \text { Monoclinic, } \mathrm{a}=12.919(3)
$$

$$
\underline{\mathrm{b}}=15.576(6), \underline{c}=25.151(5)_{\mathrm{A}}^{\mathrm{A}}, \beta=94.82(3)^{\circ}, \underline{U}=5043 \AA^{\circ} 3
$$

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\underline{\mathrm{Z}}=4, \underline{\mathrm{D}}_{\mathrm{C}}=1.800 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \underline{\mathrm{~F}}(000)=2640 . \quad \text { Space group } \underline{\mathrm{p}}_{\mathrm{I}} / \underline{\mathrm{n}}
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 $=5 \overline{9} \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

## Measurements

The space group and preliminary unit cell dimensions were determined from rotation and Weissenberg photographs. Final values of cell dimensions and the intensities of all independent reflections with $\theta\left(M O-K_{\alpha}\right) \leq 25^{\circ}$ were measured on a Hilger and Watts Y290 diffractometer equipped with a graphite monochromator. A symmetrical 0-2 scan technique was employed. Each reflection was scanned over a range of $0.50^{\circ}$ in $\theta$, taking $2 \underline{s}$ counts at $0.02^{\circ}$ steps; the background was measured for 15 s at each end of the scan range.

The integrated intensities, $I$, and their standard devia-
tions, $\sigma(\underline{I})$, were derived in the way described elsewhere ( $\underline{q}=0.04$ ) [8]. They were corrected for Lorentz-polarization effects and also for the variations in intensity of two periodically remeasured standard reflections. A satisfactory allowance for absorption was precluded by the poorly developed shape of the crystal specimen. The subsequent analysis was based on 5646 independent reflections for which $I \geq 3 \sigma$ (I).

Structure Analysis
The positions of the platinum atoms were determined
from a Patterson function and those of the other non-hydrogen atoms from successive difference syntheses.

The structure was refined by blocked-matrix leastsquares minimisation of the function $\sum\left(\left|\underline{F}_{o}\right|-\left|\underline{F}_{C}\right|\right)^{2} / \sigma^{2}\left(\left|\underline{F}_{0}\right|\right)$. Anisotropic temperature factors were used for Pt, CI, P, O, $F$ and $C(51)$ atoms only: The atomic scattering factors were taken from ref. 9, and the anomalous scattering of platinum, chlorine and phosphorus atoms was accounted for [9]. No allowance was made for the scattering of hydrogen atoms. The refinement converged at $\underline{R}=0.082$ and $\underset{W}{R}=0.098$. In the last cycle of refinement no parameter shifted by more than o.lo. An analysis of $\left\langle\left(\left|{\underset{F}{0}}^{E_{0}}\right|-\left|\underline{E}_{C}\right|\right)^{2} / \sigma^{2}\left(\left|\underline{F}_{0}\right|\right)\right\rangle$ as a function of $\left|\underline{F}_{0}\right|$ and sing revealed no unexpected trends. Final atomic parameters, and a selection of the molecular geometry functions derived from them, are presented in Tables 1 and 2.*

The computer programs used are those listed in ref. lo.

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## Results and Discussion

The crystal structure is built of discrete dinuclear $\left.\left[\mathrm{Pt}{ }_{2} \mathrm{C}\right](\mathrm{CO})(\mu-\mathrm{dppm}){ }_{2}\right]^{+}$cations and octahedral $\left[\mathrm{PF}_{6}\right]^{-}$anions, the shortest distances between atoms in different ions being close to the sums of the appropriate van der Waals radii.


Figure - A view of the structure of $\left[P t_{2} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathrm{CO})(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right]^{+}$. The vibrational ellipsoids of $\mathrm{Pt}, \mathrm{P}, \mathrm{Cl}, \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{C}(51)$ atoms display 50\% probability. For clarity, the remaining carbon atoms are represented by circles of arbitrary size; they are labelled by numbers only, corresponding to those Iisted in Table 1.

Table 1

Fractional coordinates ( $\times 10^{5}$ for Pt, $\times 10^{4}$ for the other atoms) and vibrational parameters of atoms

| Atom | $\underline{x}$ | Y | $\underline{z}$ | $\underline{U}_{i s o} \times 10^{3}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pt(1) | 31035 (6) | 37598 (5) | 18583 (3) | * |
| Pt(2) | 31310 (6) | 22834 (5) | 13607 (3) | * |
| CI(1) | 3057 (4) | 5082 (3) | 2333 (2) | * |
| $P$ (I) | 4270 (4) | 4350 (3) | 1326 (2) | * |
| P(2) | 2056 (4) | 3154 (3) | 2451(2) | * |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)$ | 1375 (4) | 2308 (3) | 1460 (2) | * |
| P(4) | 4866 (4) | 2544 (3) | 1270 (2) | * |
| P(5) | 7341 (6) | 2592 (5) | 4540 (3) | * |
| F (1) | 8235 (25) | 2550(26) | 4240 (14) | * |
| F (2) | 6969 (19) | 1779(18) | 4281(12) | * |
| $F(3)$ | 7715 (21) | 3463(13) | 4802 (11) | * |
| F (4) | 6365 (21) | 2622 (27) | 4800 (13) | * |
| F (5) | 6722 (31) | 3074 (24) | 4108 (14) | * |
| F(6) | 7971 (22) | 2156(15) | 5016(11) | * |
| 0 | 3038 (18) | 0437(12) | 0967 (9) | * |
| C(1) | 4854 (16) | 3581 (13) | 0918 (8) | 55 (5) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 1299 (15) | 2248 (12) | 2170 (8) | 50 (5) |
| C(3) | 3715(16) | 5163(14) | 0870(8) | 60 (5) |
| C(4) | 5375(14) | 4897(12) | 1677(7) | 49 (5) |
| C(5) | 1037 (15) | 3781 (13) | 2712 (8) | 54 (5) |
| C(6) | 2841 (15) | 2787 (13) | 3037 (8) | 51 (5) |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 0573(14) | 1443(12) | 1174 (7) | 47 (5) |
| C (8) | 0678(14) | 3252 (12) | 1229 (7). | 44 (4) |
| c (9) | 5767 (16) | 2668 (13) | 1872 (8) | 57 (5) |
| C(10) | 5508(16) | 1777 (13) | 0858 (8) | 56 (5) |
| C(11) | 3331 (19) | 4885 (16) | 0313 (10) | 74 (6) |
| C(12) | 2923 (18) | 5577 (16) | -0004 (10) | 71 (6) |
| C(13) | 2923 (19) | 6379 (16) | 0136 (10) | 73 (7) |
| C(14) | 3296 (22) | 6655 (19) | 0646(11) | 91 (8) |
| C(15) | 3682 (18) | 6006 (15) | 1011 (9) | 65 (6) |
| c(16) | 6068 (18) | 5359 (15) | 1400 (9) | 68 (6) |
| C(17) | 6883 (20) | 5796(17) | 1683 (11) | 83 (7) |
| C(18) | 7033 (21) | 5707(18) | 2226 (II) | 88 (8) |
| C(19) | 6381(18) | 5233 (16) | 2505 (9) | 70 (6) |

Table 1 (continued)

| Atom | $\underline{x}$ | $\underline{Y}$ | 2 | $\underline{U}_{i \text { so }} \times 10^{3}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| c (20) | 5532 (16) | 4818 (14) | 2241 (9) | 62(5) |
| c(21) | 0637(17) | 4511(15) | 2432 (9) | 65 (6) |
| c (22) | -0269(22) | 4915(18) | 2585 (11) | 92 (8) |
| C (23) | -0716 (25) | 4591 (21) | 3062 (13) | 106 (10) |
| C (24) | -0324 (23) | 3873 (19) | 3308 (12) | 93 (8) |
| C(25) | 0536 (19) | 3487 (16) | 3153 (10) | 74 (7) |
| C(26) | 3110 (19) | 3409 (16) | 3428 (10) | 77 (7) |
| c (27) | 3776 (21) | 3079 (18) | 3892 (11) | 84 (7) |
| C(28) | 4129 (21) | 2289 (18) | 3919 (11) | 82 (7) |
| c (29) | 3853 (22) | 1671 (18) | 3520 (11) | 89 (8) |
| C(30) | 3218 (17) | 1954 (14) | 3059 (9) | 64 (6) |
| C(3I) | O437(17) | 0688 (14) | 1446 (9) | 63. (6) |
| C(32) | -0174(18) | 0011 (15) | 1214 (9) | 67 (6) |
| C(33) | -0618(20) | 0087 (17) | 0704 (11) | 82 (7) |
| C(34) | -0542(24) | 0846(21) | 0434 (12) | 104(9) |
| C(35) | O123(22) | 1534 (18) | 0659 (11) | 90 (8) |
| c (36) | -0334 (17) | 3373(15) | 1364 (9) | 62 (6) |
| C(37) | -0873(18) | 4141 (16) | 1214 (9) | 72 (6) |
| C (38) | -0416(19) | 4742(16) | 0879 (10) | 76 (7) |
| c (39) | 0514(19) | 4604 (16) | 0725(10) | 74 (7) |
| C (40) | 1096 (16) | 3843 (13) | 0897 (8) | 56 (5) |
| C(41) | 5362 (16) | 2485(14) | 2372 (8) | 58 (5) |
| C(42) | 6070 (18) | 2638 (15). | 2832 (10) | 70 (6) |
| C(43) | 7049 (19) | 2943(15) | 2799(10) | 72 (6) |
| C (44) | 7415 (21) | 3093(18) | 2289(11) | 85 (7) |
| C(45) | 6764 (17) | 2970(14) | 1830 (9) | 62 (6) |
| C(46) | 6190 (24) | 1223(19) | 1076(12) | 99 (9) |
| C(47) | 6712 (30) | 0573 (25) | 0780(16) | 133 (12) |
| C(48) | 6404 (25) | 0548 (20) | 0232 (13) | $103(9)$ |
| C (49) | 5695 (28) | 1151(22) | 0008 (15) | 117 (11) |
| C (50) | 5203 (23) | 1766(19) | 0316(12) | 94 (8) |
| c (51) | 3098 (19) | 1144(18) | 1101(10) | * |

Table 1 (continued)

These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form $\exp \left(-2 \pi^{2} \times 10^{-n} \sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} U_{i j} \underline{h}_{i} \underline{h}_{j} \underline{a}_{i}^{*} a_{j}^{*}\right)$, where $n$ is 4 for Pt and 3 for other atoms. The $\underline{U}_{i j}$ parameters are:

|  | $\underline{U}_{11}$ | $\underline{U}_{22}$ | $\underline{U}_{33}$ | $\mathrm{U}_{12}$ | $\underline{U}_{13}$ | $\underline{U}_{23}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pt (1) | 453 (4) | 406 (4) | 330 (4) | -23(3) | -33(3) | -8(3) |
| Pt(2) | 466(4) | 447 (4) | 377 (4) | -14 (4) | -16(3) | -44 (3) |
| Cl (1) | 65 (3) | 47 (3) | 72 (4) | -3(3) | -2(3) | -19(3) |
| P(1) | 51 (3) | 47 (3) | 36 (3) | -3(2) | -3(2) | 2 (2) |
| P(2) | 46 (3) | 45 (3) | 33 (2) | -5 (2) | -4(2) | -2(2) |
| $P(3)$ | 47 (3) | 45 (3) | 32 (2) | -6 (2) | -1(2) | -4(2) |
| P(4) | 46 (3) | 50 (3) | 42 (3) | 2 (2) | 4(2) | 6 (2) |
| P(5) | 78 (5) | 94 (5) | 46 (3) | 3 (4) | -11(3) | -1(3) |
| $F(1)$ | 204 (30) | 384(46) | 224 (31) | -133(31) | 121 (26) | -166(33) |
| F (2) | 149 (19) | 178(23) | 277(31) | -52(17) | 10 (20) | -144(24) |
| F (3) | 213(25) | 96 (14) | 222 (27) | 5 (16) | -66(21) | -4 (16) |
| F(4) | 142 (22) | 411 (50) | 207(30) | -28(26) | 64 (21) | -159(33) |
| $F(5)$ | 278 (40) | 264(38) | 209 (32) | -38(30) | -145(30) | 76 (29) |
| F (6) | 217 (26) | 160 (21) | 212 (26) | -5 (18) | -88(21) | 113 (19) |
| 0 | 149 (19) | 58 (12) | 122 (17) | 3 (12) | 22 (14) | -36(11) |
| C (51) | 66 (15) | 90 (19) | 72 (16) | -30(14) | -6(12) | 33 (15) |

The small $\left[\mathrm{PF}_{6}\right]^{-}$ion is subject to relatively high thermal motion and its geometry displays no unexpected features. The P-F bond lengths are 1.43(3) - I.57(2) $\AA$ and the $F-P-F$ bond angles are $83(2)-96(2)^{\circ}$ and 175(2) - $178(2)^{\circ}$. The structure of the $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathrm{CO})(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right]^{+}$cation, shown in the Figure, is compatible with spectroscopic evidence [3] and is closely similar to that of the parent compound $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right][5,6]$. It comprises Pt-Cl and Pt-CO Eragments bridged by two dppm ligands and linked directly through a Pt-Pt bond. Each platinum atom is in a somewhat distorted square planar environment, the distortions being larger around the platinum atom coordinated by the carbonyl group. They are

Selected interatomic distances and angles in $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathrm{CO})(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right]^{+}$
(a) Bond lengths ( $A$ )

| $P t(1)-P t(2)$ | $2.620(1)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $P t(1)-C l(1)$ | $2.384(5)$ |
| $P t(1)-P(1)$ | $2.291(5)$ |
| $P t(1)-P(2)$ | $2.298(5)$ |
| $P(1)-C(1)$ | $1.79(2)$ |
| $P(1)-C(3)$ | $1.82(2)$ |
| $P(1)-C(4)$ | $1.83(2)$ |
| $P(2)-C(2)$ | $1.82(2)$ |
| $P(2)-C(5)$ | $1.81(2)$ |
| $P(2)-C(6)$ | $1.81(2)$ |

(b) Bond angles ( ${ }^{\circ}$ )

| $P(1)-P t(1)-P(2)$ | $174.8(2)$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| $C l(1)-P t(1)-P t(2)$ | $178.3(1)$ |
| $C l(I)-P t(1)-P(1)$ | $89.5(2)$ |
| $C l(1)-P t(1)-P(2)$ | $89.4(2)$ |
| $P(1)-P t(1)-P t(2)$ | $92.1(1)$ |
| $P(2)-P t(1)-P t(2)$ | $89.0(1)$ |
| $P(1)-C(1)-P(4)$ | $107(1)$ |
| $P t(1)-P(1)-C(1)$ | $113.4(7)$ |
| $P t(1)-P(1)-C(3)$ | $113.9(7)$ |
| $P t(1)-P(1)-C(4)$ | $115.5(6)$ |
| $F t(1)-P(2)-C(2)$ | $113.1(6)$ |
| $P t(1)-P(2)-C(5)$ | $120.1(7)$ |
| $P t(1)-P(2)-C(6)$ | $109.7(7)$ |
| $C(1)-P(1)-C(3)$ | $105.6(10)$ |
| $C(1)-P(1)-C(4)$ | $103.9(9)$ |
| $C(3)-P(1)-C(4)$ | $103.4(9)$ |
| $C(2)-P(2)-C(5)$ | $100.1(9)$ |
| $C(2)-P(2)-C(6)$ | $108.4(9)$ |
| $C(5)-P(2)-C(6)$ | $104.4(9)$ |


| $\mathrm{P} t(2)-\mathrm{C}(51)$ | $1.89(3)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{C}(51)-\mathrm{O}$ | $1.15(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $2.308(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)$ | $2.303(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.84(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.84(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $1.83(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.80(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.81(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1.80(2)$ |


| $P(4)-P t(2)-P(3)$ | $168.9(2)$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| $C(51)-P t(2)-P t(1)$ | $171.3(8)$ |
| $C(51)-P t(2)-P(4)$ | $97.2(8)$ |
| $C(51)-P t(2)-P(3)$ | $93.4(7)$ |
| $P(4)-P t(2)-P t(1)$ | $86.8(1)$ |
| $P(3)-P t(2)-P t(1)$ | $83.1(1)$ |
| $P(2)-C(2)-P(3)$ | $106(1)$ |
| $P t(2)-P(4)-C(1)$ | $103.4(7)$ |
| $P t(2)-P(4)-C(9)$ | $119.4(7)$ |
| $P t(2)-P(4)-C(10)$ | $115.6(7)$ |
| $P t(2)-P(3)-C(2)$ | $104.1(6)$ |
| $P t(2)-P(3)-C(7)$ | $118.7(6)$ |
| $P t(2)-P(3)-C(8)$ | $116.8(6)$ |
| $C(1)-P(4)-C(9)$ | $106.4(9)$ |
| $C(1)-P(4)-C(10)$ | $106.6(9)$ |
| $C(9)-P(4)-C(10)$ | $104.5(9)$ |
| $C(2)-P(3)-C(7)$ | $106.2(9)$ |
| $C(2)-P(3)-C(8)$ | $107.2(9)$ |
| $C(7)-P(3)-C(8)$ | $103.0(8)$ |
| $P t(2)-C(51)-0$ | $176(2)$ |

Table 2. (continued)
(c) Torsion angles ( ${ }^{\circ}$ )

| $\operatorname{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{P}(1)$ | $59.6(10)$ | $\mathrm{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{P}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $-10.5(8)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| $\mathrm{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{P}(2)$ | $56.8(9)$ | $\mathrm{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $-25.7(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{P}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $-28.1(12)$ | $\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $-57.1(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)$ | $-14.9(11)$ | $\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $-65.2(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)-\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{P}(4)$ | $34.9(2)$ | $\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{Pt}(1)-\mathrm{Pt}(2)-\mathrm{P}(3)$ | $44.8(2)$ |

evident from the bond angles subtended at the metal centres (Table 2) and also from the displacements of atoms from the two coordination planes. These displacements do not exceed $0.10 \AA$, except for the carbonyl carbon [C(51)] which lies $-0.27 \AA$ away from the mean $\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{C}$ plane. The out-of-plane bending of the carbonyl group introduces a significant non-linearity of the cl-Pt-Pt-CO fragment, the Pt(1)-Pt(2)-C(51) angle being lil. 3(8) ${ }^{\circ}$.

The flexibility of the dppm ligands enables the molecule to adopt a stable twisted configuration: the $\mathrm{Pt} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}$ and $\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{C}$ coordination planes are mutually rotated around the Pt-Pt bond to afford a dihedral angle of $40.1^{\circ}$. This allows the molecuie to weaken considerably any antibonding interactions between filled interaxial metal d orbitals, which are almost as far from one another as possible (dihedral angle $45^{\circ}$ ).

The two dppm ligands display similar orientations with respect to the $C l-P t-P t-C O$ fragment, and the molecule therefore approximates to $\underline{C}_{2}$ symmetry. As is evident from the torsion angles listed in Table 2, the conformations about the C(1)-P(4) and $C(2)-P(3)$ bonds are practically staggered, while those about the $C(1)-P(1)$ and $C(2)-P(2)$ bonds are closer to eclipsed. The Pt-Pt bond is nearly eclipsed by the $P(1)-C(1)$ and $P(2)-C(2)$ bonds. The $P(1) \ldots P(4)$ and $P(2) \ldots P(3)$ non-bonding distances
[2.924(7) and $2.889(7) \AA$ ] are ca. $0.3 \AA$ longer than the Pt-pt bond $[2.620(1) A]$. This contraction of the $\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{P}_{4}$ fragment along the Pt-Pt bond leads to the unusually small Pt(2)-P(4)$C(1)$ and $P t(2)-P(3)-C(2)$ angles [103.4(7) and 104.1(6) ${ }^{\circ}$, respectivelyl. The other bond angles and the bond lengths within the dppm ligands are unexceptional. Thus the Pt(I)-$\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{CHI}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{Pt}-\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C}$ (phenyl) angles are larger, the C-P-C angles are smaller, and $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{CH}_{2}-\mathrm{P}$ angles are close to the tetrahedral value (Table 2). The P-C bond lengths are $1.79(2)-1.84(2) \AA$. The Pt-P distances [2.291(5) - $2.308(5) \AA$ ] can be compared with the corresponding ones [2.250(7) - $2.294(7) \AA$ in in $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}{ }^{(\mu \text {-dppm) }}{ }_{2}\right][6]$ and with $\mathrm{Pd}-\mathrm{P}$ distances $\left[2.26(1)-2.32(I){ }_{\mathrm{A}}^{\mathrm{A}}\right]$ in $\left[\mathrm{Pd}_{2} \mathrm{Br}_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right]$ [II]. The Pt-C and $c$-o bond lengths are $1.89(3)$ and $1.15(3) \AA$, respectively. The Pt-Cl distance [2.384(5)A] lies within the range of Pt-cl (trans to $P t$ ) distances [2.382(10) - $2.426(9) \AA$ i $]$ observed in $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right]$ and $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{4}(\mathrm{CO})_{2}\right]^{2-}$, and may be considered indicative of high trans-influence of the Pt-Pt bond [6,12]. Indeed, the ability of carbon monoxide to compete with chloride for a metal centre in $\left[P t_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{dppm}){ }_{2}\right]$, and thus form $\left[P t_{2} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathrm{CO})(\mu-d \mathrm{ppm})_{2}\right]^{+}$, has been attributed partly to the weakness of Pt-Cl bonds in the parent compound [3]. Displacement of chloride by carbon monoxide is not observed in the chemistry of square planar platinum(II) complexes.

The Pt-Pt distance [2.620(1)A] is compared in Table 3 with Pt(I)-Pt(I) bond lengths found in other dinuclear complexes with, and without,bridging ligands. These bond lengths [2.58-2.65A] are somewhat shorter than Pt(0)$\mathrm{Pt}(\mathrm{O})$ distances in dinuclear complexes and clusters [2.652.79A] (17,18]. The range of values they display (ca. $0.1 \AA$ ) is likely to reflect different electronic properties and

Table 3

Metal-metal bond lengths in dinuclear complexes of platinum(I)

| Compound | $\underline{P t-P t(A)}$ | Ref. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\left[\mathrm{NPr}_{4}\right]_{2}\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{4}(\mathrm{CO})_{2}\right]$ | 2.584 (2) | 12 |
| $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{12}\right)_{2}\left[\mu-\left(\mathrm{CF}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CO}\right\}\right]$ | 2.585 (1) | 13 |
| $\left[\mathrm{Pt}_{2}\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)_{2}\left(\mu-\mathrm{PPh}_{2}\right)_{2}\right]$ | 2.604 (1) | 14 |
| $\left[\mathrm{Pt} \mathrm{L}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}(\mathrm{CO})\left(\mu-\mathrm{dppm}_{2}\right]\left[\mathrm{PF}_{6}\right]\right.$ | 2.620 (1) | This work |
| $\left.{ }^{\left[P t_{2}\right.}\left\{\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{OPh})_{3}\right\}_{2}\left(\mu-\mathrm{SPEt}_{2}\right)_{2}\right]^{\text {] }}$ | 2.628 (1) | 15 |
| $\left[P t_{2}\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)_{3}(\mathrm{CO})(\mu-S)\right]$ | 2.647(2) | 16 |
| $\left.{ }^{\left[P t_{2}\right.} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}\right]^{1}$ | 2.651 (1) | 6 |

perhaps even steric requirements of the ligands involved.
The only complexes in Table 3 which are closely related to each other are $\left[P t_{2} C l_{2}(1-d p p m)_{2}\right]$ (I) and $\left[P t_{2} C l\right.$ (CO) ( $\mu-$ dppm) $\left.)^{+}\right]^{+}(I I) . \quad$ They display a trend in the $P t-P t$ distances which is compatible with their Raman and n.m.r. spectra. The Pt-Pt bond lengths are $2.651(1)$ and $2.620(1) \AA$, the $v(P t-P t)$ frequencies are 150 and $157 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ and the ${ }^{195}{ }_{\text {pt- }}{ }^{3 I_{p}}$ coupling constants are -136 and $-62 .-92 \mathrm{~Hz}$ in I and II, respectively [1,3,7]. Thus the bond lengths in $I$ and II lend some support to the suggestion of Brown et al. [7] that in complexes containing the $\mathrm{Pt}_{2}(\mu-\mathrm{dppm})_{2}$ unit the $195_{\mathrm{pt}-}{ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ coupling constants depend on the strength of metalmetal bonding.

The square planar coordination geametry of the metal atoms in $I$ and $I I$ indicates that in these $d^{9}$ complexes dsp ${ }^{2}$ hybrid orbitals are used to form platinum-ligand bonds. Overlap of singly-occupied metal hybrid orbitals leads to formation of a metal-metal two-electron $\sigma$-bond. Replacement of one chloride ligand in $I$ by a strongly electron with-
drawing carbonyl group results in a contraction of the Pt-Pt bond by ca. O.O3Å. This can be attributed to some transfer of electron density from the filled anti-bonding $\underline{d}$ orbitals of platinum to the vacant $\pi^{*}$ orbitals of the carbonyl group. Such an effect can be expected to weaken repulsive interactions between the antibonding orbitals of the metal atoms and thus contribute to further stabilisation of the metal-metal bonding.

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