

from the least squares treatment. A complete list of calculated and observed structure factor values based on the observed electron density map values has been deposited with the American Documentation Institute.¹⁵

Discussion of the Structure

The arrangement of the palladium and chlorine atoms is quite definitely established; the positions of the carbon atoms may be considered fairly uncertain. The palladium atoms are joined by two bridge chlorine atoms as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. The dimers stack above one another in the *c* direction so that the chlorine atoms are located in the octahedral positions about the palladium atoms above and below the plane of the dimer although

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too far away for appreciable covalent binding. The two crystallographically different dimers do not have exactly the same dimensions although the angles between the bonds are similar.

The intensity data quite definitely place the ethylene groups in the *trans* position of the dimer. In an earlier stage of refinement an ethylene group and a chlorine atom were interchanged on one of the dimers. Changing them to their present positions caused a very noticeable improvement in the agreement of the calculated and observed structure factors, especially for the non-body-centered type reflections. The carbon atoms of ethylene could not be resolved nor could a choice be made between space groups *Pbam* and *Pba2* since it depends only on the carbon atom positions. The most probable arrangement is to assume that the plane of the ethylene molecule is perpendicular to the line joining the palladium atom and the center of the double bond.

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The Crystal Structure of Styrene-Palladium Chloride

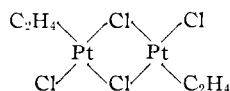
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The crystal structure of styrene-palladium chloride has been determined. The unit cell is monoclinic with $a = 13.50 \text{ \AA.}$, $b = 4.99 \text{ \AA.}$, $c = 19.19 \text{ \AA.}$, $\beta = 135.5^\circ$. The space group is $P2_1/c$. The molecules are dimers joined by a double chlorine bridge. The atomic configuration indicates that the styrene-palladium bond consists of interaction between the pi orbital of the double bond and a dsp^2 orbital of palladium.

Introduction

Palladium dichloride and platinum dichloride form complexes with olefins containing one molecule of olefin per metal atom. Molecular weight determinations indicate that the compounds usually exist in solution in the form of dimers.¹⁻³ Anderson⁴ and later Chatt³ proposed the structure to account for the molecular formula, the dimeric nature



and the customary planar square (dsp^2 hybridization) configuration of palladium and platinum. Chatt⁵ describes the olefin-metal bond as consisting of an interaction of the pi orbital of the double bond with the dsp^2 orbital of the metal atom. Overlap of these two orbitals requires that a dsp^2 orbital lie approximately in a plane perpendicular to the plane of the ethylene group of the olefin and be directed toward the axis of the double bond.

Although the platinum compounds are more stable than their palladium analogs, the latter are more suitable for X-ray diffraction studies of their structure because of the lower atomic number of palladium. The crystal structure of ethylene-pal-

ladium chloride has been studied by Baenziger and Dempsey.⁶ Although the ethylene part of the structure was not resolved, the data indicated that the axis of the ethylene group is perpendicular to the plane of the complex, the carbon atoms of the ethylene being equal distances above and below the plane of the complex. A substituted ethylene complex presents the possibility of resolving the carbon atoms and determining the orientation of the double bond. Attempts to obtain crystals of large enough size for X-ray diffraction purposes were successful only for the styrene complex.

Experimental

Styrene-palladium chloride was prepared by the method of Kharasch and Ashford¹ employing bis-benzonitrile-palladium chloride as an intermediate. Single crystals of sufficient size and perfection for diffraction study were grown from a solution of the compound in styrene. The crystals are extremely slender, amber needles.

Single crystal X-ray data were obtained by the Weissenberg and Buerger precession methods. General (*hkl*) intensity data were obtained by the multiple film, equiinclination Weissenberg technique. (*hk0*) and (*0kl*) data were obtained from a Buerger precession camera using the same crystal and several timed exposures. Intensities were estimated by visual comparison of the photographic blackenings with those of a graduated intensity scale.

Structure Determination.—The unit cell of styrene-palladium chloride is monoclinic with the symmetry of space group $P2_1/c$. The dimensions are $a' = 13.50 \text{ \AA.}$, $b' = 4.99 \text{ \AA.}$, $c' = 19.19 \text{ \AA.}$, $\beta' =$

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(2) M. S. Kharasch and R. C. Seyler, *ibid.*, **60**, 884 (1938).

(3) J. Chatt, *J. Chem. Soc.*, 3340 (1949).

(4) J. S. Anderson, *ibid.*, 970 (1934).

(5) J. Chatt and L. A. Duncanson, *ibid.*, 2939 (1953).

(6) N. C. Baenziger and J. N. Dempsey, *THIS JOURNAL*, **77**, 4984 (1955).

135.5°, $Z = 4$, $V = 922 \text{ \AA}^3$, $D_x = 2.02 \text{ g./cc.}$ A more convenient cell can be chosen, for which β is nearly equal to 90 degrees, by designating the short diagonal of the oblique face of the above cell as the new c -axis. This cell requires a new space group designation, $P2_1/n$, which does not appear explicitly in the "International Tables for X-ray Crystallography." Its dimensions are: $a = 13.50 \text{ \AA}$, $b = 4.99 \text{ \AA}$, $c = 13.69 \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 90.4^\circ$. The coordinates of equivalent positions for the "right-angled" cell (unprimed symbols) are x, y, z ; \bar{x}, y, \bar{z} ; $1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, 1/2 + z$; $1/2 - x, 1/2 + y, 1/2 - z$. The conversion formulas relating the two cells are

$$\begin{array}{lll} a' = a & h' = h & x' = x + z \\ b' = b & k' = k & y' = y \\ c' = c - a & l' = l - h & z' = z \end{array}$$

All plane indices are given in terms of the "right-angled" cell; the final positions of the atoms are given in terms of both cells.

The x and z coordinates of the palladium and chlorine atoms were obtained from a Patterson projection on the (010) plane. Structure factor signs obtained from these positions were used in the calculation of an (010) electron density projection. This projection, shown in Fig. 1, contains peaks for all atoms of the cell except the hydrogen. The y parameter, 0.125, was assigned to the palladium atom to account for the fact that reflection (020) is absent. The ($hk0$) structure factor signs obtained from this palladium position were used in the calculation of an (001) electron density projection. The resolution in this projection is limited by the fact that only about thirty ($hk0$) reflections lie within the range of observation. The projection contains peaks for the chlorine atoms but no resolved peaks for the carbon atoms.

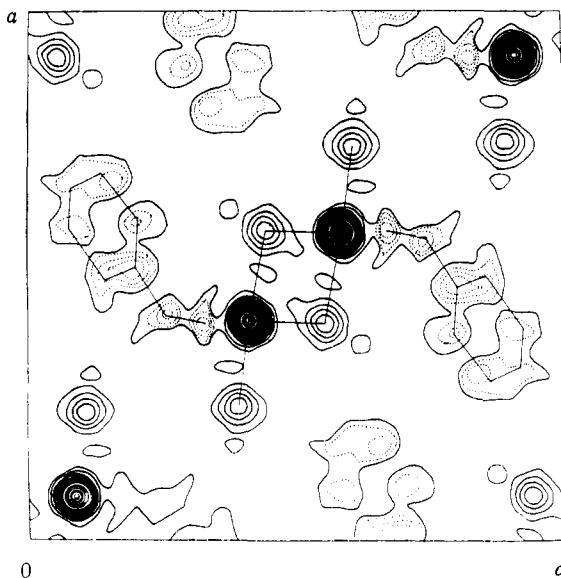


Fig. 1.—Projection of the electron density of styrene-palladium chloride on to (010).

Signs for the observed (hkl) structure factors obtained from the palladium and chlorine contributions based on positions found from the (010) and (001) electron density projection were used to

evaluate the electron density in three dimensions. The observed intensities from the upper layer films were scaled to correspond to those of the zero layer by comparing the observed intensities of the ($0kl$) reflections with those obtained from the ($0kl$) precession camera films. The electron density was calculated, at intervals of one sixtieth of the cell length in all three directions, within cylinders parallel to the b -axis and including the positions of the peaks on the ($h0l$) projection. The positions of the electron density maxima were then located by a three dimensional adaptation of Booth's extrapolation method. Well defined maxima were observed for all of the atoms of the compound. The coordinates of the atoms obtained from this three-dimensional determination of electron density are listed in Table I. All Patterson projections, electron density determinations and (hkl) structure factors were computed by means of International Business Machines punched card equipment.

Structure factors corresponding to the atomic positions obtained from the electron density determination were calculated for all reflections within the range of observation. Sign changes resulted for only a few weak reflections. A temperature factor was computed and applied to the calculated structure factors. The discrepancy factor, defined as

$$R = \frac{\sum |F_{\text{calcd}}| - |F_{\text{obsd}}|}{\sum |F_{\text{obsd}}|}$$

is equal to 0.168 including only the observed reflections. The temperature factor, B , is equal to 4.35 \AA^2 . A complete list of calculated and observed structure factors has been deposited with the American Documentation Institute.⁸ The observed atomic positions were corrected for series termination errors and the minor sign errors by the "back-shift" method.

The shifts of the observed maxima from the positions for which the corresponding atoms had been calculated are listed in Table I along with the corrected atomic coordinates. The standard deviations listed in this table were obtained by Cruickshank's method⁹ and account only for random errors in the F_{obsd} data.

Discussion

The important interatomic distances within the styrene-palladium chloride molecule are listed in Table II. Figure 2, which is a projection of the structure on the (010) plane, gives the numbering system, the distance of closest approach of adjacent molecules, and the Pd-Cl bond angles. The distances of closest approach between molecules in the b direction are $C_3-C_5' = 3.64 \text{ \AA}$. and $\text{Pd}-\text{Cl}_1' = 3.99 \text{ \AA}$.

The best plane through the observed positions of the atoms of the benzene ring was determined by a

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