mined from f_{λ} values range from indeterminate at worst to highly imprecise at best, depending on the individual case.

We showed that D probably amounts to less than a few per cent and could be discarded. If we also discard species C, we can obtain solutions for species A and B, but risk the introduction of systematic errors which could be 20% or larger. Species B is favored over species A by the statistical entropy term ΔS_{BA} $= R \ln 3$. Neglecting additional entropy contributions, we find that discarding species C leads to an interpolated ΔG_{BA} value of -0.5 ± 0.3 kcal/mol (A = 30%, B = 70%) at 25°. The result that B lies

In 0.3 M K₃PO₄, we find that $\Delta G_{BA} = +0.5 \pm 0.3$ kcal/mol, indicating a reversal in the population of species A and B (A = 70%, B = 30%).

These very crude calculations seem to bear out the tendency of phosphate ion to preferentially stabilize species A, which has been attributed to hydrogen bonding.⁴⁻⁷ A plot of $\Delta \delta_{AB}$ vs. f_{λ} leads to a rather poor linear least-squares fit.

The conformational problem is clearly underdetermined, and we do not presume to have given a full solution from these pmr data. However, the f_{λ} values obtained from the pmr studies should prove useful in conjunction with strain-energy calculations or additional experimental results.

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Metal Ion–Aromatic Complexes. XIII. Trigonal-Planar Silver(I) in the Structure of Indene Silver Perchlorate

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Abstract: The crystal and molecular structure of indene silver perchlorate has been determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction from 882 counter-measured intensities at room temperature. The structure was refined by fullmatrix least-squares methods to a final conventional R of 0.066. Crystals of C_9H_8 AgClO₄ are orthorhombic, Pbnm, Z = 8, $d_c = 2.15 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, a = 15.390 (2) Å, b = 8.525 (1) Å, c = 15.213 (1) Å. The structure consists of isolated dimeric units (indene AgClO₄)₂ in a half-open hinge (99°) arrangement where the leaves of the hinge are the organic groups and the pin corresponds to the silver ions with their associated perchlorate groups. The silver, chlorine, and two oxygen atoms of each perchlorate group lie in a crystallographic mirror plane. This same mirror interrelates the rest of the molecule. Such an arrangement leads to one silver atom bound to only olefin parts of the molecule in a distorted linear configuration. The other silver is in a trigonal-planar arrangement with the two aromatic parts [Ag-C = 2.47 (2) Å] and an oxygen of a perchlorate [Ag-O = 2.46 (2) Å]. This is the first reported instance of a trigonal-planar Ag(I) coordination involving aromatic ligands.

In earlier publications¹ we have postulated that a fundamental distinction exists between the nature of the metal-carbon bond in silver-aromatic complexes and silver-olefin complexes.² In general, a "short" silver-carbon distance of 2.47 ± 0.02 Å has been found in the silver(I)-aromatic complexes regardless of stoi-

chiometry, anion, and packing considerations.²⁻⁶ The next shortest silver-carbon distance varies over wide limits from 2.56 to 2.94 Å. The silver-carbon distances found for silver-olefin complexes, on the other

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The molecule indene ($C_{9}H_{8}$) contains a six-membered aromatic ring and a five-membered ring with a localized carbon-carbon double bond. Thus, this molecule represents an opportunity to observe both a silveraromatic interaction with the six-membered ring and a silver-olefin interaction with the localized double bond in the five-membered ring simultaneously. The results of an X-ray crystallographic study of indene silver perchlorate are reported here.

Experimental Section

A saturated toluene solution of silver perchlorate was added to a toluene solution of indene in an anhydrous environment. Clear, colorless, diffraction-quality crystals were formed as the toluene evaporated. However, the crystals were not obtained in sufficient quantity for chemical analysis. Because of their reactivity toward moisture, the crystals were mounted in thin-walled glass capillaries with the c axis approximately parallel to the capillary axis. Preliminary Weissenberg and precession photographic data hk0, hk1...hk8, h0l, and 0kl showed the crystals to be orthorhombic, with the systematic absences, h0l, h + l = 2n + 1, and 0kl, k =2n + 1. Thus, the space group is *Pbnm* (nonstandard setting of space group no. 62, Pmna) or the noncentric Pbn21 (nonstandard setting of space group no. 33, Pna21).14 The crystal was aligned on a Picker full-circle diffractometer by variations of well-known techniques.¹⁵ A least-squares fit¹⁵⁰ of the χ , ϕ , and 2θ angles of 28 reflections accurately centered on the diffractometer were used to determine the lattice constants at 23-25° (λ 0.71068 Å for Mo K α); a = 15.390(2)Å, b = 8.525(1)Å, c = 15.213(1)A. With Z = 8 the calculated density is 2.15 g cm⁻³ and the observed density is between 1.6 and 2.2 g cm⁻³. A more accurate value was unattainable because the crystals decompose very rapidly in halocarbon solution. A crystal $\sim 0.16 \times 0.28 \times 0.94$ mm (0.94 mm = c) mounted as described above was used to collect the intensity data. The linear absorption coefficient μ was calculated to be 27.0 cm⁻¹ with Mo K α radiation. With this μ and the above crystal dimensions the variation in transmission coefficient was found to be 0.51-0.65. No absorption corrections were made, however, since error in intensity measurements due to crystal decomposition probably outweighed simple absorption effects. A total of 2200 inde-

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Solution of Structure

The centric space group Pbnm was assumed to be correct and the structure was solved and refined on this basis (vide infra). A threedimensional Patterson function¹⁸ was computed which showed the silver and chlorine atoms in two sets of the special positions of mirror symmetry $\pm (x, y, \frac{1}{4}; \frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{3}{4})$. The remaining nonhydrogen atoms were located by standard heavy atom techniques.^{18,19} In the later stages of the structure solution a threedimensional map was computed and either large thermal parameters or disorder were noted for the three oxygen atoms bound to Cl(2). Five cycles of full-matrix anisotropic least squares^{20a} with isotropic temperature factors for O(4), O(5), and O(6) [bound to Cl(2)] yielded 0.066, 0.066, and 1.103 for R, the weighted R_w, and the standard error of an observation of unit weight.^{20b} No further attempts were made to refine O(4), O(5), and O(6). The final parameter shifts were 0.1σ or less. We minimized the function Σw . $(|F_{\circ}| - |F_{\circ}|)^2$ and the observations were weighted on counting statistics and a 4% intensity factor.²¹ The scattering factors for

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Table I. Final Atomic Positional and Thermal Parameters for Indene Silver Perchlorate^a

Atom	x	у	z	Atom	x	У	Z	
Ag(1)	-0,1167 (01)	0,2769 (02)	0.7500 ()b	C(4)	0.1775 (16)	0.1025 (31) 0.5615 (14	
Ag(2)	0.1643 (02)	0.0956 (03)	0.7500 (—)	C(5)	0.1457 (15)	-0.0267 (26) 0.6043 (15	
Cl (1)	0.1230(05)	0.4797 (08)	0.7500 ()	C(6)	0.0537 (15)	-0.0411(22) 0,6290 (12	
Cl(2)	-0.1544(05)	0.6580 (09)	0.7500 ()	C(7)	-0.0968(13)	0.0932 (24) 0.6268 (12	
O (1)	0.0499 (13)	0.3743 (26)	0.7500 ()	C(8)	0.1215 (13)	0.2349 (24) 0.5967 (12	
O(2)	0.2009(11)	0.3759 (23)	0.7500 ()	C(9)	-0.0451 (13)	0.3297 (21) 0.5487 (13	
O(3)	0.1217 (10)	0.5694 (17)	0.6728 (10)	O (4)	-0.2057 (17)	0.7806 (33		
C(1)	-0.0007 (14)	0.0795 (20)	0.6091 (12)	O(5)	-0.0776 (21)	0.7302 (36		
C(2)	0.0300 (15)	0.2129 (22)	0.5637 (12)	O(6)	-0.1796 (30)	0.5699 (58) 0.6788 (30	
C(3)	0.1194 (17)	0.2316 (28)	0.5387 (12)					
Atom	eta_{11}	β_{22}	eta_{33}		eta_{12}	eta_{13}	eta_{23}	
Ag(1)	42 (01)	131 (04)	61 (01)		-1 (02)	00 () ^b		
Ag(2)	65 (01)	216 (05)	44 (01)	1	34 (02)	00 ()	00 ()	
Cl(1)	60 (12)	278 (46)	116 (16)	1	82 (20)	00 ()	00 ()	
Ci(2)	38 (04)	137 (13)	180 (10)		2 (10)	00 ()	00 ()	
O (1)	60 (12)	278 (46)	116 (16)		82 (20)	00 ()	00 ()	
O(2)	38 (10)	211 (37)	116 (15)		2 (16)	00 ()	00 ()	
O(3)	102 (10)	301 (31)	91 (10)		-8 (16)	10 (09)	100 (16)	
C (1)	72 (13)	93 (32)	50 (11)		2 (20)	-22 (10)	-10 (16)	
C(2)	78 (14)	139 (35)	42 (10)		-9 (21)	-9 (11)	9 (17)	
C(3)	84 (15)	292 (51)	36 (10)		-63 (27)	2 (11)	-9 (20)	
C(4)	105 (17)	190 (41)	60 (13)		30 (25)	-7 (13)	-23(21)	
C(5)	85 (16)	153 (38)	58 (13)		29 (21)	-13 (11)	-19 (20)	
C(6)	84 (15)	145 (37)	45 (11)		23 (21)	-14(11)	-36(17)	
C(7)	65 (14)	201 (40)	47 (11)		22 (20)	-21(10)	4 (18)	
C(8)	69 (12)	195 (39)	47 (10)		-15(22)	-21(10)	3 (18)	
C(9)	60 (13)	184 (37)	70 (13)		1 (19)	-17 (11)	34 (19)	
Ato	m J	8	Atom	В		Atom	В	
O(4) 10.8	(1.6)	O(5)	16.3 (1	9)	O(6)	14.8 (3.2)	

^a Anisotropic temperature factors of the form $\exp[-(\beta_{11}h^2 + \beta_{22}k^2 + \beta_{33}l^2 + 2\beta_{12}hk + 2\beta_{13}hl + 2\beta_{23}kl)] \times 10^4$. ^b (—) denotes fixed parameter.

silver(I), neutral chlorine, oxygen, and carbon were from Cromer and Waber.²² The effects of anomalous dispersion were included in the structure factor calculations by addition to F_c ,²³ the values for $\Delta f'$ and $\Delta f''$ for silver and chlorine were those given by Cromer.²⁴

The final tabulation of observed and calculated structure factors are filed elsewhere.²⁵ Unobserved data were not used in the refinement but are listed with the calculated structure factors. Final atomic coordinate and temperature parameters are in Table I. Interatomic distances, angles, and errors²⁶ are shown in Table II. The least-squares plane and root-mean-square components of thermal displacement where appropriate are in Tables IV and III, respectively.

Results and Discussion

The structure of indene silver perchlorate may be described as isolated dimeric units, (indene $AgClO_4$)₂, separated by silver-oxygen distances of 2.70 Å (Figure 1) or greater from neighboring dimeric units. This dimer unit is constructed by placing two silver atoms along with the chlorine and two oxygen atoms of each perchlorate group in a mirror plane. The indene molecules are then placed on either side of the mirror plane to form a "V"- or hinge-shaped arrangement with a dihedral angle between the organic groups of 98.7°. Within the dimer unit one of the silver atoms [Ag(1)] is bound only to the π orbitals of the olefin portion of the indene molecule. The other silver atom [Ag(2)] is bound only to the π orbitals of the aromatic ring (Figure 2); i.e., the silver-olefin and the silver-aromatic interactions are mutually exclusive. If the silver-oxygen distances of 2.70 Å (sum of ionic radii = 2.66 Å^{27}) or greater are considered to be nonbonding, then Ag(2)would be described as three coordinate, bonded to

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Bonded Distances							
Ag(1)-C(8)	2.36(2)	Ag(1)-C(7)	2.46(2)				
Ag(2)-C(6)	2.76 (2)	Ag(2)-C(5)	2.47 (2)				
Ag(2)-O(2)	2.46 (2)	C(1)-C(2)	1.41 (2)				
C(2)-C(3)	1.44 (3)	C(3)-C(4)	1.46 (3)				
C(4)-C(5)	1.37 (3)	C(5)-C(6)	1.47 (3)				
C(1)-C(6)	1.36(2)	C(1)-C(7)	1.51 (2)				
C(7)-C(8)	1.35 (2)	C(8)-C(9)	1.60 (3)				
C(2)-C(9)	1.54 (2)	Cl(1)-O(1)	1.44 (2)				
Cl(1)-O(2)	1.49 (2)	Cl(1)-O(3)	1.40(1)				
Cl(2)-O(4)	1.31 (3)	Cl(2)-O(5)	1.33 (3)				
Cl(2)-O(6)	1.37 (5)						
Selected Nonbonded Distances Less Than 4 Å							
Ag(1)-O(1)	2.70 (2)	Ag(1)-O(6')	2,89(5)				
Ag(1)-O(4'')	2.73 (3)	Ag(2)-O(1)	2.96 (2)				
Ag(2)-O(2'')	2.79 (2)	Ag(1)-C(1)	3.26 (2)				
Ag(1)-C(9)	3.29 (2)	Ag(2)-C(4)	2.88 (2)				
Ag(2)-C(1)	3.33 (2)						
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C(7')-Ag(1)-C(7)	An; 99.2(0.9)	C(8')-Ag(1)-C(8)	162.2(1.0)				
Ag(1)-C(7)-C(8)	69.8 (1.1)	Ag(1)-C(8)-C(7)	77.9(1.1)				
C(5')-Ag(2)-C(5)	128.0 (1.2)	C(6') - Ag(2) - C(6)	83.5 (0.9)				
Ag(2)-C(5)-C(6)	85.3 (1.2)	Ag(2)-C(6)-C(5)	62.7 (1.0)				
O(4'')-Ag(1)-O(1)	161.4 (1.0)	O(1)-Ag(1)-O(6')	92.3 (1.5)				
O(4') - Ag(1) - O(1') O(6') - Ag(1) - O(4'')	93.0 (1.0)	Ag(1)-O(6')-Cl(2')	94.8 (2.2)				
Ag(1)-O(1)-Cl(1)	159.3 (1.4)	Ag(1) = O(0) = CI(2) Ag(2) = O(2) = CI(1)	113.0 (0.9)				
Ag(2)-O(2)-Ag(2')	145,4 (0,8)	O(1)-Ag(2)-O(2)	50.0 (0.8)				
O(2)-Ag(2')-O(2')	118.8 (0.3)	C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	122.7 (2.0)				
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	122, 2(2, 0)	C(5)-C(6)-C(1)	118.3 (1.9)				
C(6)-C(1)-C(2)	120.7(2.0)	C(6)-C(1)-C(7)	128.5 (2.0)				
C(1)-C(7)-C(8)	106.6(1.8)	C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	113.6(1.7)				
C(8)-C(9)-C(2)	99.0 (1.4)	C(9)-C(2)-C(1)	109.9 (1.8)				
C(2)-C(1)-C(7)	110.7 (1.7)	C(3)-C(2)-C(9)	127.4 (1.9)				
O(2)-Cl(1)-O(1)	104.9 (1.2)	O(1)-Cl(1)-O(3)	109.6 (0.8)				
O(2)-Cl(1)-O(3)	109.2(0.8)	O(4)-Cl(1)-O(4)	99.6(1.7)				
O(5)-Cl(1)-O(6)	120.1 (2.0)	O(4)-Cl(1)-O(6)	105.5(2.0)				
O(2) - Ag(2) - C(5)	116.0(1.4)	O(2)-Ag(2)-C(6)	109.3 (1.4)				
O(3)-Cl(1)-O(3')	113.8 (1.0)	O(6)-Cl(2)-O(6')	104.1 (2.5)				

Atom	Axis 1	Axis 2	Axis 3
Ag(1)	0.219 (03)	0.225 (03)	0.269 (03)
Ag(2)	0.228 (03)	0.236 (03)	0.318 (03)
Cl(1)	0.226(11)	0.237(11)	0.264 (09)
Cl(2)	0.213 (12)	0.226 (10)	0.460(13)
O(1)	0.176 (35)	0.368 (25)	0.379 (27)
O(2)	0.212 (28)	0.279 (24)	0.369 (24)
O(3)	0.203 (23)	0.352(17)	0.419 (19)
C(1)	0.178 (32)	0.212(31)	0.321 (26)
C(2)	0.208(31)	0.231 (30)	0,311 (28)
C(3)	0.203(27)	0.251(34)	0.383 (33)
C(4)	0.232(32)	0.278 (31)	0.367 (30)
C(5)	0.216 (31)	0.252(29)	0.343 (30)
C(6)	0.172(33)	0.252(31)	0.338 (28)
C(7)	0.192 (32)	0.269 (27)	0.315 (28)
C(8)	0.202 (29)	0.263 (27)	0.318 (26)
C(9)	0.211(31)	0.267(27)	0.326 (26)

Table IV

Equation of Least-Squares Plane of the Type ^a Ax + By + Cz - D = 0							
A = -0.9707, B = 0.2400, C = 0.0062, D = -2.1682							
Deviation of Atoms from the Least-Squares Plane, Å ^b							
Ag(2) = -0.021(02) = O(2) = 0.006(02)						2)	
C(5) -0.006 (24) $C(5')$ 0.021 (24)							4)
A = -0	. 2040, <i>B</i> =	= -0.4	345, $C =$	-0.	8772 , J	$D = -\dot{8}.$	4195
Deviation of Atoms from the Least-Squares Plane, Å							
	0.002(18)						
C(2)	0.014 (18)	C(5)	-0.004	(22)	C(8)	-0.032	(19)
C(3) - 0	0.003 (19)	C (6)	0.009	(19)	C(9)	0.017	(20)

^a x, y, and z refer to atom positional parameters in angströms. All atoms were equally weighted in the least-squares plane: ref 14, Vol. II, p 61. ^b It must be borne in mind that Ag(2) and O(2) lie in the crystallographic mirror.

C(5), C(5'), and O(2), whereas, Ag(1) would be considered two coordinate bonded to C(8) and C(8').

A distorted trigonal plane best describes the coordination polyhedra of Ag(2) with the angles about Ag(2)

being 116.0 $(1.4)^{\circ}$ and 128.0 $(1.2)^{\circ}$ for O(2)-Ag(2)-C(5) and C(5)-Ag(2)-C(5'), respectively. Table IV shows that the maximum deviation from the least-squares plane containing Ag(2), O(2), C(5), and C(5') is 0.02

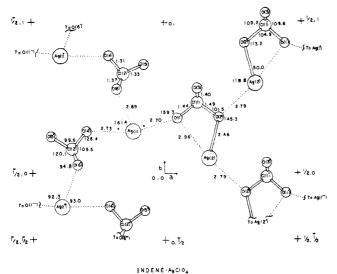
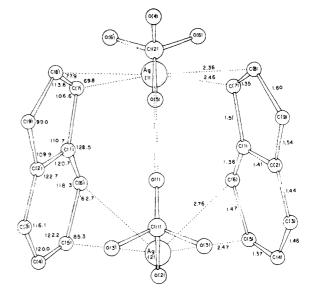


Figure 1. Perspective view of the indene AgClO4 structure down the c axis. Ag(1), Ag(2), Cl(1), Cl(2), O(1), O(2), O(4), and O(5) lie in the mirror plane at $Z = \frac{3}{4}$ (plane of paper). O(3) and O(6) are above this plane and the symmetry-related O(3') and O(6') are below. The carbon atoms are omitted for clarity. Bonds are indicated by solid lines and dotted lines represent weak or van der Waals interactions.

(2) Å. To our knowledge this is the first structure reported in which the silver atom involving aromatic donors has trigonal-planar geometry. Related trigonal-planar coordination for Ag(I) in olefin complexes has been observed.^{7,8} However, the silver atom including a 2.66-Å Ag-O distance was found to be three-coordinate, but pyramidal in bis(cyclohexylbenzene)silver perchlorate.3b

The usual silver-carbon (aromatic) distance of 2.47 Å³ is seen for Ag(2)-C(5) interaction with the next shortest silver-carbon distance, Ag(2)-C(6), of 2.76 Å. The latter value of 2.76 Å is intermediate in the range of previously observed values.^{2,3,5} Furthermore, this same silver [Ag(2)] is also bound to O(2) with a silveroxygen distance of 2.46 (2) Å which is one of the shortest values found when compared to those found for silver perchlorate-aromatic complexes that range from 2.49 to 2.66 Å.²⁻⁵ This silver-oxygen distance of 2.46 Å is in agreement with our earlier proposal that the role of anions in metal ion-aromatic complexes is important in the stabilization of these structures.^{3,13} Shorter silver-oxygen distances (2.34-2.46 Å) have been observed in naphthalene $\cdot 4AgClO_4 \cdot 4H_2O_6$ anthracene \cdot $4AgClO_4 \cdot H_2O_6$ and acenaphthene $\cdot AgClO_4$.¹³ In the former two cases the short silver-oxygen distances are associated with the oxygen atoms of the water molecules and in the latter case silver-oxygen distances range from 2.34 to 2.46 Å. Silver-oxygen distances of 2.34 Å were observed in $Ag_3PO_4^{28}$ and 2.42 Å in Ag_3 -AsO4²⁹ and Ag2MoO4.³⁰ For comparative purposes the silver-oxygen distance obtained from the sum of the respective covalent radii is 2.18 Å.²⁷ The next shortest Ag(2)–O distance is 2.79 Å, Ag(2)–O(2').

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Figure 2. Perspective view of the indene AgClO₄ dimer down the b axis with a vertical and pointing down the page, showing the relationship between the AgClO4 and aromatic portions of the di-The crystallographic mirror is vertical and contains Ag(1), Ag(2), Cl(1), O(1), O(2), Cl(2), O(4), and O(5). The remaining atoms are related to one another by this mirror.

In contrast Ag(1) is bound to the olefin part of the indene molecule with a short distance of 2.36 (2) Å to C(8) and the next shortest distance at 2.46 (2) Å to C(7). This result is in agreement with the general concept that olefins are stronger π bases than are aromatics. These shorter silver-carbon distances are indicative of silver-(I)-olefin complexes⁷⁻¹² and not silver(I)-aromatic complexes. The coordination polyhedron about Ag(1)may be described as a very distorted linear arrangement. The exact angle is not completely defined since C(7')-Ag(1)-C(7) is 99.2 (9)° and C(8')-Ag(1)-C(8) is 162° but an average angle would be $\sim 130^{\circ}$. This assumes Ag(1) is bound only to the olefins and the silver-oxygen distances are considered nonbonding. The shortest Ag(1)-O distance is 2.70 Å, and, consequently, the silver-oxygen interactions are less important in the olefin part of the indene molecule. It is interesting to note that the perchlorate group associated with the silver atom [Ag(1)] bound to the olefin shows considerable thermal motion or disorder, which is compatible with the concept of very weak silver-oxygen interactions.

The remaining silver-oxygen distances range from 2.70 to 2.89 Å and are somewhat longer than the average longest value of 2.66 Å²⁻⁶ observed in other silver perchlorate-aromatic complexes. For this reason these long silver-oxygen distances are considered to be essentially nonbonded.

The chlorine-oxygen distances and angles associated Cl(1) are close to the expected values.³¹ The oxygen atoms bound to Cl(2) show considerable thermal motion or possible disorder. Thus, the distortions in chlorineoxygen bond distances and angles probably are not significant.

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The carbon-carbon bond distances and angles in the indene molecule show the expected values.

Consideration of the so-called "super-delocalizability" index described by Fukui and coworkers³² shows that the index which is related to the π -electron density is highest for carbon positions 7 and 8. This is the position of the carbon-carbon double bond in the five-membered ring and the short silver-carbon distances. The next highest value of the index is found for positions 5 and 6 in the indene molecule. Again this is where Ag(2) binds to the six-membered aromatic ring. Although these calculations are based upon a rather simplified model, they are quite successful in predicting where the silver will interact with the aromatic ring.

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