Nucleophilic Attack on Olefins co-ordinated to Platinum. Part 4.¹ Formation of Neutral and Cationic σ -Adducts and of Ring Compounds: Studies of Stability

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Attack by amines (am) on alkene complexes, cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)Y], can lead to neutral acyclic, cationic acyclic, and ring compounds, *i.e.* cis-[PtCl₂(CH₂CH₂am)Y] (Y = Me₂SO or PPh₃), [PtCl(am)-

 $(CH_2CH_2am)Y]^+CI^-$ (Y = NH₃, pyridine, or Me₂SO), and $[PtCI(CH_2CH_2am_-H)Y]$ (Y = PPh₃, Me₂SO, or NHMe₂). Two isomers of the second compound exist in solution. New compounds of these types are prepared and characterised and others identified in solution. Methods of distinguishing between the species are investigated. The ring compounds can be identified from the value of δ (NCHCHPt). Equilibrium studies show that in most instances the neutral acyclic compounds are readily converted to the cationic acyclic species by excess amine. This has the effect of making the starting *cis*-dichloro(alkene) complexes more susceptible to nucleophilic attack than their *trans* analogues. Ring compounds are more likely to be formed if am is bulky. Values of ΔH° and ΔS° have been measured for the formation of the cationic species for Y = 4-methylpyridine and am = NHMe₂ for various alkenes. Some comments are made on the stability of cationic alkene complexes. A novel photochemical method is described experimentally for the preparation of some of the starting *cis*-dichloro(alkene) complexes for the preparation of some of the starting *cis*-dichloro(alkene) complexes from their *trans* isomers.

Many studies have been made of the attack of amines (am) \dagger on olefins co-ordinated to platinum(II) and of the ensuing $\pi \longrightarrow \sigma$ rearrangement leading to the formation of σ -(2ammonioalkanide) compounds (see refs. 1—10 of Part 3⁻¹). If the platinum complex involved is a *trans*-[PtCl₂(am)(η^2 -CHR=CR'R'')] (1) system, then the overall reaction is simple with only one type of immediate product (2), as in equation (i). However, if the starting platinum-alkene complex is a *cis*-

Cl	Cl
am CHRCR'R''-Pt-am 🔫 amC	HRCR'R"-Pt-am (i)
]
Ċl	Cl
(1)	(2)

dichloro-system (3), further types of compounds may also be formed rapidly in addition to the neutral σ species (4) (Scheme). One cationic σ -ethanide species (5) ²⁻⁴ can be produced as a result of the *trans*-labilizing effect of the σ -CH₂ group and a second (6) can be formed if the ligand Y also has this property. Moreover a ring compound (7) ⁴⁻⁶ may be produced. Similar behaviour is observed in analogous platinum-allene systems.⁷⁻⁹

Unfortunately species (4)—(7) are rather similar in some of their properties. Therefore an initial aim of this investigation was to find means of identifying and distinguishing (4)—(7). This was followed by a study of the ease of formation of each of the species and of their relative stabilities. As compounds tend to be labile in solution, ¹H n.m.r. and u.v. spectroscopy have proved to be particularly useful since data are acquired relatively rapidly using these techniques.

Variations are made of am, Y, R, R', and R'' with three points in mind. First, it has been suggested that in the alkene–PPh₃ systems studied here ⁵ and in the closely related allene–PPrⁿ₃ compounds,⁸ the tendency to cyclize is increased

by steric factors. Secondly, addition of am can in these systems be either Markovnikoff or anti-Markovnikoff, that is either at the more or less substituted carbon of the C=C ligand respectively.^{1,10} Lastly, we were interested in extending our studies ^{1,11} on how equilibrium constants were affected by changes in the groups mentioned.

Results and Discussion

New Compounds.—Three neutral σ -compounds, (4), have been characterized, cis-[PtCl₂(CH₂CH₂NH₂Me)(Me₂SO)], cis-[PtCl₂(CH₂CH₂NEt₃)(Me₂SO)], and cis-[PtCl₂(CH₂CH₂NEt₃)-(PPh₃)]. Although several neutral σ -ammonioethanide complexes have been isolated which contain either *trans*-dichloroligands, as in (2) (see refs. 1, 2, 8, and 9 of ref. 11),^{1,11} or bidentate groups, Y–Z, such as acetylacetonate, pyridine-2carboxylate, or 8-quinolinate [see compound (8)],¹² the present compounds appear to be the first to be fully characterized which are based on a *cis*-dichloro(monoalkene) system.



Three σ -cationic compounds (5) have been prepared satisfactorily: [PtCl(NH₂Bu')(CH₂CH₂NH₂Bu')Y]⁺Cl⁻ (Y = NH₃, py, or Me₂SO). These join four similar chlorides (5) prepared by Natile,² where am and Y are 3,5Me₂-py (3,5-dimethylpyridine) and/or CHMePhNH₂. The new compounds will be shown later to contain the cation (5) rather than its isomer (6). They are soluble in water. The chlorides of (5; am = NH₂Bu', Y = NH₃ or py) have ionic conductances at infinite dilution at 25 °C in water of 101 and 98 Ω^{-1} cm² mol⁻¹ respectively. {A value of 110 Ω^{-1} cm² mol⁻¹ was found for K[PtCl₃(η^2 -C₂H₄)].} These quantities are typical of 1 : 1 electrolytes containing one large ion.^{13,14}

With regard to cyclic compounds (7), we now have a satis-

 $[\]dagger$ Abbreviations: am = amine, am_{-H} = deprotonated amine, morph = morpholine, py = pyridine, pip = piperidine, pyr = pyrrolidine, i-quin = isoquinoline.



factory elemental analysis for [PtCl(Me₂SO)(CH₂CHEt¹⁵N-Me₂)], which previously we had identified in solution (CDCl₃) using ¹⁹⁵Pt n.m.r. and ¹⁵NHMe₂,⁶ a technique that had also been used to detect [PtCl(PPh₃)(CH₂CH₂¹⁵NMe₂)]⁵ and [PtCl(¹⁵NHMe₂)(Z-CHMeCHMe¹⁵NMe₂)].⁶ Thus, as Panunzi and co-workers ⁴ have characterized, by elemental analysis and osmometry, [PtCl(PPh₃)(CH₂CHRNMe₂)] (R = H, Me, or Et) and [PtCl(Me₂SO)(CH₂CH₂NMe₂)], there are now six cyclic compounds (7) which have been clearly identified. Two new ' double' compounds will be described later.

Hydrogen-1 N.M.R. Studies.—Earlier work in this series of experiments has indicated that there were many more species present in solution, which either could not be analysed (due to deliquescence for example) or even isolated as solids. As far as identifying species in solution, the ¹⁵N-labelled amines used before are expensive and ¹⁹⁵Pt n.m.r. is too lengthy a procedure for labile entities. Therefore in order to investigate in solution the existence and interconversion of (4), (5), (6), and (7), relatively rapid means of study are needed. Hydrogen-1 n.m.r. and u.v. spectroscopy proved particularly convenient, the first technique being useful in three areas: detecting ring compounds, deciding whether attack is Markovnikoff or anti-Markovnikoff, and distinguishing between the cationic isomers (5) and (6).

In Table 1 are given δ values for the NCHCHPt resonance for all the ring compounds and acyclic species mentioned above (apart from those in which am is a pyridine, which will be discussed later). Without exception, this resonance occurs at δ 3.7--4.5 in the cyclic species as opposed to δ 2.2--3.2 in the others. Thus we have a rule for distinguishing (7) from (4), (5), or (6).

The rule is strengthened by the following observations. If an excess of NEt₃, or of any of the amines (am) cited in Table 2 where $Y = Me_2SO$, is added to the alkene complex (3; R = R' = R'' = H, $Y = Me_2SO$) in CDCl₃ at *ca*. 25 °C, a characteristic NCH₂CH₂Pt triplet with satellites ¹¹ appears between δ 3.0 and 3.3 within manipulation time. This is still present after *ca*. 30 min if am is NEt₃ or any of the primary amines in Table 2. In contrast, if am is secondary, this absorption is replaced by an analogous one between δ 4.4 and 4.6, in this time interval. The spectra obtained when am is NEt₃ and NH₂Bu⁴ are identical (apart from peaks due to excess amine) with those of authentic *cis*-[PtCl₂(CH₂CH₂NEt₃)-

Table 1. Hydrogen-1 n.m.r. data for NCHCHPt protons in neutral σ , cationic σ , and cyclic compounds [Pt⁻H and H⁻H coupling constants (Hz) are given in square brackets; $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R'} = \mathbf{R''} = \mathbf{H}$, except where stated otherwise]

Compound	ð/p.p.m.
$(4; am = NH_2Me, Y = Me_2SO)^{a}$	
$(4; am = NEt_3, Y = Me_2SO)$	3.16 (t)
	[63, 7]
$(4; am = NEt_3, Y = PPh_3)$	2.3 (c)
$(5; am = NH_2Bu^t, Y = NH_3)^b$	3.15 (t)
	[40, 9]
$(5; am = NH_2Bu^t, Y = py)^b$	2.75 (t)
	[44, 7]
$(5; am = NH_2Bu^t, Y = Me_2SO)^{b}$	3.12 (t)
	[65, 6]
$(7; am = NHMe_2, Y = PPh_3)^{\circ}$	4.25 (t)
	[60, 8]
(7; $\operatorname{am} = \operatorname{NHMe}_2$, $\mathbf{R} = \operatorname{Me}$, $\mathbf{Y} = \operatorname{PPh}_3$) ⁴	4.20 (c)
(7; am = NHMe ₂ , R or R' = Et, Y = PPh ₃) ^{d,e}	4.0
(7; $am = NHMe_2$, $Y = Me_2SO$)	4.46 (t)
	[67, 8]
(7; am = NHMe ₂ , $R = Et$, $Y = Me_2SO$)	4.05 (c)
$(7; am = Y = NHMe_2, R = R' = Me)$	3.72 (c)
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^{*a*} Too insoluble in CDCl₃ and $[{}^{2}H_{o}]acetone for study. ^{$ *b*} These are presumed to be isomer (5) rather than (6) because of the absence of*PtNCCH*coupling (see text). ^{*c*} From ref. 5. ^{*d*} From ref. 4. ^{*c*} Isomeric mixture with either R or R' = Et.

 $(Me_2SO)]$ and *cis*-[PtCl(NH₂Bu⁺)(CH₂CH₂NH₂Bu⁺)(Me₂SO)]⁺-Cl⁻, the neutral and cationic acyclic species. That obtained with NHMe₂ immediately after mixing is similar in the NCH₂CH₂Pt region to those above, pointing to the formation of an acyclic compound; however, the new spectrum formed after 30 min is the same as that of the ring compound,

[PtCl(Me₂SO)(CH₂CH₂NMe₂)]. It is difficult to find an alternative explanation for these data to the supposition that all the amines react rapidly with the starting alkene–Me₂SO complex to give one or more acyclic complexes, that in the case of the secondary amines a second slower reaction takes place in which a ring compound is formed, and that the rule about the position of the NCHCHPt resonance given above is correct.

The criterion of the δ value for the NCHCHPt enables studies to be made on what happens when an excess of amine is added to other starting alkene complexes (3) (in CDCl₃ at

Y	am		J/Hz
CH ₃ CN	NH ₂ Bu ¹ , NHMe ₂	2.9-3.1	4044
NH ₃	NH_2Pr^n , NH_2Bu^1 , $NHMe_2$	3.0-3.2	40-44
NHMe,	NH ₂ Pr ¹ , NHMe ₂	2.8-3.0	4045
CH ₂ PhNHMe	NH ₂ Bu ⁴ , NHMe ₂ , CH ₂ PhNHMe	2.7-3.0	4045
p-O ₂ NC ₆ H ₄ NH ₂	NH ₂ Bu ⁴	2.95	
	NHMe ₂ , NHEt ₂	4.5	56
py	NH ₂ Bu ^t , NHMe ₂	2.75-3.0	4044
4Me-py	NHMe ₂	2.9	44
i-quin	NH ₂ Pr ^a , NH ₂ Pr ⁱ , NH ₂ Bu ^a , NH ₂ Bu ⁱ , CH ₂ PhNH ₂ , NHMe ₂ , NHEt ₂ , NHPr ^a ₂ , pip, pyr, morph	2.83.4	4243
PPh ₃	NH ₂ Pr ⁿ , CH ₂ PhNH ₂	2.2-2.4	
-	NH ₂ Bu ^t	4.35	60
	NHMe ₂ , NHEt ₂ , NHPr [*] ₂ , NHBu [*] ₂ , CH ₂ PhNHMe, pip, pyr, morph	4.1-4.4	6075
Me₂SO	NH ₂ Pr ^a , NH ₂ Pr ¹ , NH ₂ Bu ⁿ , NH ₂ Bu ¹ , NH ₂ Bu ⁵ , NH ₂ Bu ⁴ , NH ₂ (C ₃ H ₉), NH ₂ (C ₇ H ₁₃)	3.0-3.3	6066
	NHMe ₂ , NHEt ₂ , NHPr ⁿ ₂ , NHBu ⁿ ₂ , pip, pyr, morph	4.4-4.6	6267
pip	pip	ca. 3.0	42

Table 2. Hydrogen-1 n.m.r. data: NCHCHPt resonances produced by adding excess amine to ethene complexes (3; R = R' = R'' = H)

ca. 25 °C). Resonances, typical of the acyclic σ species, appear within ca. 5 min and usually within the manipulation time needed to run a ¹H n.m.r. spectrum. Any peaks at δ 4 characteristic of a ring compound tend to be formed more slowly (if they are produced at all), but cyclization is complete within 30 min. Table 2 lists δ values of NCHCHPt resonances for mixtures which have stood for this period of time. It can be seen that the resonances still fall into two clear groups with δ 3.7—4.5 and with δ 2.2—3.2, indicating the formation of cyclic and acyclic complexes respectively.

It has been suggested that bulkiness in am and Y favours the formation of ring compounds, where otherwise acyclic products would be formed.⁵ However, Table 2 shows that this statement is questionable as far as Y is concerned. Certainly the CH₃CN-, NH₃-, and NHMe₂-containing compounds are acyclic as would be expected for a small Y, and several of the ring compounds contain the large PPh₃ group, but on the basis of the size argument the presence of CH₂PhNHMe, i-quin, or pip ligands also ought to lead to cyclic compounds (which are not produced). Nevertheless, if for a particular Y there is any tendency for rings to be formed, it occurs if am is secondary as opposed to primary, and sometimes if it is NH₂Bu^t. Thus the bulkiness postulate does seem applicable to am. Shaw and co-workers 8 have made a somewhat similar observation on the closely related allene complex cis-[PtCl₂- $(\eta^2 - CH_2 = C = CH_2)(PPr^n_3)]$, which gives a four-membered ring if am is NH₂Bu⁴ but not if it is a less bulky amine. The tendency for the secondary amines to induce cyclization provides an example of the Thorpe-Ingold gem-dialkyl effect.

No data are included in Table 2 for the acyclic species in which am is py. Table 3 shows that δ for pyCHCHPt lies within the range for cyclic compounds and so appears to violate the rule given above. However, py is known to move the NCH resonance upfield in the *trans*-dichloro-species (3)¹¹ (which are acyclic) so that it would be very awkward if the same did not happen in the present *cis*-dichloro-systems also.

Hydrogen-1 n.m.r. data also enable a distinction to be made between Markovnikoff and anti-Markovnikoff addition. In the *trans*-dichloro-compounds (2) the positions of the NCH-CHPt and the NCHCHPt peaks depend on whether they are due to CH_2 or CH(alkyl) protons.¹ In Table 3, δ values are given for these resonances for the cationic σ -isomer mixtures (5 and 6; am = py, Y = Me₂SO; various R, R', and R'') produced when excess py is added to the corresponding alkene complex (3) in CDCl₃ at *ca.* -20 °C. It can be seen that py adds at the more substituted position despite steric hindrance, **Table 3.** Hydrogen-1 n.m.r. data for the NCHCHPt and NCHCHPt resonances of (5; am = py, $Y = Me_2SO$) and (6; am = py, $Y = Me_2SO$), with various R, R', and R'', in CDCl₃ at *ca*. -20 °C

R	R′	R″	Ethanide group	δ (NCH)	δ (CHPt)
н	н	н	NCH ₂ CH ₂ Pt	4.76	1.9
Me	н	н	NCH(Me)CH ₂ Pt	5.05	2.18
Et	н	Н	NCH(Et)CH ₂ Pt	5.08	2.28
Me	Н	Me	NCH(Me)CH(Me)Pt	5.22	3.00
Me	Me	н	NCH(Me)CH(Me)Pt	5.28	2.6

as in a Markovnikoff addition. Although some anti-Markovnikoff product could pass unnoticed, integrations of the supposed NCH and CH₂Pt peaks when R is Me or Et confirm that at least 80% of the addition is Markovnikoff. The same is true of related compounds containing this range of R groups.^{1,10}

Distinguishing between neutral and cationic σ species using ¹H n.m.r. depends on resolving and identifying CH resonances of as many as five possible am groups. While we 3 have done this in the case of (4) and (5) for am = Y = 4Me-py (4methylpyridine), u.v. spectroscopy provides a much quicker method of following the formation of (4) and of (5) or (6), see later. However, there is a criterion which can be used to distinguish cationic σ isomers (5) and (6) in solution, namely PtNCH coupling in the Pt-am group. Normally for this interaction, J = ca. 40 Hz, e.g. in trans-[PtCl₂(η^2 -CHR=CR'R'')-(am)] compounds (see SUP 23054 of ref. 1), but earlier we observed ¹⁵ that it is absent in the σ compounds (2), and suggested that it was in some way suppressed when the Pt-am group is *trans* to a σ -CH ligand. This suggests that coupling might be observed when am is trans to Y as in (6), but not in isomer (5) when it is trans to CH. Compound (6) would not be expected to be formed rapidly on adding excess amine to (3) unless Y is trans-labilising, e.g. Me₂SO or PPh₃. When an excess of pyridine is added to (3; $Y = Me_2SO$) in CDCl₃ at ca. -20 °C, H^{α} proton resonances of py are seen, some of which have platinum satellites, while others do not (see Table 4), pointing to the formation of both (5) and (6). Compounds of this system appear to be stable at -20 °C, but they decompose on standing at ca. 25 °C. Both isomers can also be detected in the homologous systems listed in Table 3 (am = py, $Y = Me_2SO$; R = Me or Et, R' = R'' = H; R = R' =Me, R'' = H; and R = R'' = Me, R' = H) formed in the same way at -40 °C, while in the complicated spectrum pro-

8.7 [40]

8.96 [40]

		- · · , · · · · · · ·			(0) (R - R - 1)	K = II
Co	mpound	$T/^{\circ}\mathbf{C}$	δ (<i>py</i> CHCHPt)	δ (trans-CHPtpy)	δ (cis-CHPtpy)	
(4; am = 1)	by, $Y = Me_2SO$	-20	8.88			
(5; am = 1)	by, $Y = Me_2SO$	-20	8.55	9,58		
(6; $am = 1$	by, $Y = Me_2SO$	- 20	8.55	8.95	8.95 [36]	
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8.45

8.36

25

25

-20

- 20

Table 4. Hydrogen-1 n.m.r. data [δ values, and J(PtNCH)/Hz in square brackets] ^a of H^a (py) for isomers (5) and (6) (R = R' = R'' = H)

" Platinum satellites are only observed on peaks in the last column. " From ref. 4.

duced from excess py and (3; $Y = PPh_3$) at -20 °C, two H^{α} (py) peaks can be discerned, one with and the other without platinum satellites.

(4; $am = Y = 4Me-py)^{b}$

 $(5; am = Y = 4Me-py)^{b}$

 $(5; am = py, Y = PPh_3)$

(6; $am = py, Y = PPh_3$)

From the range of compounds indicated in Table 2 we found no evidence of Pt-N-CH coupling to suggest the formation of (6) when am is a primary or secondary aliphatic or acyclic amine. Therefore although this criterion cannot be used on the NH₂Bu^t compounds characterized earlier, we consider by analogy that they contain isomer (5) rather than (6). In any case two of them contain Y (viz. NH₃ or py) which are not *trans*-labilizing, so that it is doubtful whether (6) could form in the time available.

Two Possible Double Compounds.-In the Experimental section the preparation is described of a compound which analyses as a σ -cationic complex, [PtCl(NHMe₂)(CH₂CH-EtNHMe₂)(Me₂SO)]⁺Cl⁻. However, an alternative isomer is the double compound [PtCl(Me₂SO)(CH₂CHEtNMe₂)][Me₂- NH_2 ⁺Cl⁻. The second formulation is probably correct since the substance produces a ¹H n.m.r. signal at ca. and since recrystallization gives δ 4.2 authentic [PtCl(Me₂SO)(CH₂CHEtNMe₂)]. A similar possible double compound can be produced from the cyclic system (7; R = R' = R'' = H, am = NHMe₂, Y = PPh₃).⁵ In neither case is there any difference in the ¹H and ¹⁹⁵Pt n.m.r. spectra between the double compound and the corresponding ring complex (apart from the ¹H resonances due to Me₂NH₂⁺).

Ultraviolet Studies.—The equilibrium constant for a system such as the equilibrium (vi) can be obtained by adding B to A,

$$A + nB \Longrightarrow AB_n$$
 (vi)

noting the resulting absorbance, and plotting graphs, which should be linear, of either (a) $(A_0 - A_x)/(A_x - A_x)$ against [B]ⁿ or (b) $1/|A_0 - A_x|$ against $1/[B]^n$ where A_0 , A_x , and A_x are absorbances after addition to a solution of A of zero, an aliquot, and a large excess of amine respectively.¹¹

Such studies were made on the following systems with R = R' = R'' = H: (3; $Y = Me_2SO$) + primary amines, (3; Y = i-quin) + primary amines, and (3; Y = 4Me-py) + 4Me-py. In the last case R was also varied between H, Me, and Et. Changes in the u.v. spectra show that equilibrium is established within *ca*. 5 min. The ¹H n.m.r. data presented earlier suggest that in these systems both (4) and (5) may be produced, but not (6). Good linear graphs were obtained in all cases on plotting $(A_0 - A_x)'(A_x - A_x)$ versus [am]² when [am] > [Pt]. This appears to indicate a stoicheiometry

$$(3) + 2 \text{ am} \Longrightarrow (5) + Cl^-$$
 (vii)

Pt : am of 1 : 2 as in reaction (vii). However methods (a) and (b) both break down if species other than just AB_n are pro-

Table 5. Data ^a for equilibria (ii) and (vii) in CHCl₃ at 25.0 °C (R = R' = R'' = H)

9.27

9.12

		$Y = Me_2SO$		
	$\overline{K_{11}}$			Y = i-quin
am	dm ³ mol ⁻¹	$K_{vii}(rel.)^{b}$	K ₁₁₁ (rel.) ^c	K _{vii} (rel.)
NH₂Pr⊓	50	1	1	11
NH ₂ Pr ⁱ	28	0.7	1.3	
NH ₂ Bu ⁿ	38	0.9	1.3	0.9
NH ₂ Bu ⁴	19	0.2	0.7	0.1
NH ₂ Bu ⁴	19	0.2	0.7	
NH ₂ Bu ¹	14	0.4	1.6	
$NH_2(C_5H_9)$	28	0.7	1.3	
$NH_2(C_2H_{13})$	8	0.6	3.9	
NHMe ₂				6
NHEt ₂				0.7
NHPr ⁿ 2				0.2
pip				20
pyr				12
All approx	imate. ^b K _{vi}	$_{\rm I}({\rm rel.}) = K_{\rm vI}$	1/(<i>K</i> v11 for	$am = NH_2Pr^n$,
$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{Me_2SO} \mathbf{)}.$	^c K ₁₁₁ (rel.) =	$= (K_{v11}/K_1)/[I$	$K_{v11}/(K_1 \text{ for})$	$am = NH_2Pr^n$,
$Y = Me_2SO)$	•			

duced on the right-hand side of the equilibrium (vi), which is what occurs in reaction (vii) as written. Nevertheless, better linear graphs were obtained by using method (a) in its simplest form as above, than by introducing modifications to it to allow for the production of Cl^- . The fact that the simple plots are linear suggests that Cl^- is not formed as an entity discrete from compound (5) in CDCl₃, the aprotic solvent which was used in these experiments.

In the two systems with $Y = Me_2SO$ or i-quin, the gradients obtained using method (a) all lie between 10⁵ and 10⁷ dm⁶ mol⁻². Unfortunately these figures are far too large to be interpreted as reliable absolute values of K_{v1} ; however, since K_{v11} is simply the gradient of a graph, reasonably reliable relative values, K_{v11} (rel.), can be obtained, which are given in Table 5. The data suggest that there is a steric effect, small for the Me₂SO system and somewhat greater if Y = i-quin, bulky groups displacing equilibrium (vii) to the left. A similar effect has been observed in equilbrium (i), with alicyclic amines behaving as non-bulky groups (as pip and pyr do here).¹¹

In the system with Y = 4Me-py, the gradients are small enough to be interpreted as K_{vH} and values are given in Table 6. Introduction of substituents, R, displaces the equilibrium to the left, the effect being determined by ΔS°_{vH} becoming more negative. If the variation in ΔH°_{vH} is significant, the changes in this term as R becomes more bulky operate in the opposite direction. As R is probably too remote from the centre of substitution to affect equilibrium (iii), similar trends are probably present in K_{H} , ΔH°_{H} , and ΔS°_{H} . If this is true, then there is a parallel with related system (i); K_{I} , ΔH°_{I} , and ΔS°_{I} all decrease in the sequence R = H, Me, and Et.¹

Table 6. Thermodynamic data for equilibrium (vii) for (3; am = Y = 4Me-py, R' = R'' = H), at 25 °C in CHCl₃

R	K _{v11} / dm ⁶ mol ⁻²	ΔH [⊕] v11/kJ mol ^{−1}	ΔS ^e vil/J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻
H	1 131	-25 ± 4	-28 ± 4
Me	576	-27 \pm 6	-40 ± 2
Et	371	-29 + 5	-49 ± 5

Attempts were also made using the same three systems to obtain direct evidence for equilibrium (ii) by studying change in absorbance when [am] < [Pt]. In the cases where Y = iquin or 4Me-py, linear graphs are obtained using method (b) on plotting $1/(A_0 - A_x)$, not against 1/[am], but against $1/[am]^2$. This implies that the neutral σ -species has a strong tendency to disproportionate into the starting alkene compound and the cationic σ -complex. However, the ¹H n.m.r. experiments described earlier (where [Pt] is much greater) have provided evidence for the neutral species (4; Y = 4Mepy). When $Y = Me_2SO$, 1/[am] does lead to a linear plot. Unfortunately, however, the intercepts are very small so that the resulting values of K_{ii} (which is equal to intercept/ gradient) must be regarded only as semi-quantitative, see Table 5. However, the data do once again follow the trend shown by reaction (i),¹¹ that increase in the bulkiness of am displaces the equilibrium slightly to the left.

The data above indicate that for the Me₂SO systems K_{vIII} (see below) lie in the range 10³—10⁶. These large values illustrate the readiness of the neutral compound to 'disproportionate' into an alkene complex and the cationic species.

$$(4) + (4) \rightleftharpoons (3) + (5) \text{ or } (6)$$
 (viii)

Tertiary amines tend to produce insoluble materials when added to the starting alkene complexes (3). However, changes in absorption can be studied satisfactorily when triethylamine is added to (3; $Y = Me_2SO$). Linear graphs were obtained using method (a) and plotting am (to the first power) even when $[am] \ge [Pt]$. Thus this particular tertiary amine has little tendency to form a cationic σ -complex (5) or (6), preferring to produce (4; $am = NEt_3$, $Y = Me_2SO$) which is one of the three neutral σ -species listed in Table 1. Another is (4; $am = NEt_3$, $Y = PPh_3$) which also contains a bulky Y ligand. Perhaps steric factors prevent the formation of charged σ species in these two instances.

 K_{11} for (3; am = NEt₃, Y = Me₂SO) is 8 dm³ mol⁻¹. This value once again indicates that bulkiness in am lowers K_{11} since the analogous quantities for am = NH₂Prⁿ or NH₂Pr¹ are *ca*. 50 and *ca*. 28 dm³ mol⁻¹ respectively (Table 5).

These K_{11} values (for a *cis*-dichloro-system) are slightly larger than the corresponding values of K_1 (for the *trans*dichloro-species) which for the three am = NEt₃, NH₂Prⁿ, or NH₂Pr¹, are <0.2, 20, and 10 dm³ mol⁻¹ respectively.¹ Thus it is possible that Cl in the Y position is not as good as ligands with some π -character at stabilizing the σ -CHPt system. Support for this idea is also provided by the fact that (4; Y = am = 4Me-py), as formed in reaction (ii), is detectable at 25 °C, but (2; am = 4Me-py) is only produced in (i) at lower temperatures.¹

Susceptibility to Nucleophilic Attack.—There is, however, a more significant difference between the *cis*-dichloro(alkene) complexes investigated here and the *trans* ones studied earlier:¹ that is the much greater ease with which the former can be attacked by a nucleophile. This arises from the ability of the cis systems to form the σ -cationic ions (5), or sometimes (6). The high stabilities of these cations compared with the neutral compounds, (4) or (2), with respect to the alkene complexes, (3) or (1), and amine can be illustrated by considering what concentration of amine is needed to sustain a 1 : 1 mixture of reactant and product. Thus if am is a typical aliphatic amine, [(2)]/[(1)] and $[(4; Y = Me_2SO)]/[(3; Y = Me_2SO)] = 1$, when $[am] = 10^{-2}-10^{-1}$ mol dm⁻³. In contrast, in the *cis*dichloro(Me_2SO) system, [(5), or perhaps (6)]/[(3)] = 1, when [am] is of the order of 10^{-3} mol dm⁻³. Thus relative to the alkene complexes, the σ -cationic complexes are 10-100 times more stable than the neutral σ -species. The stability of the cationic species (5) is logical since a nucleophile would be expected to be held more strongly in a positively charged unit.

Stability of Cationic Alkene Complexes.-An alternative interpretation to that in the previous paragraph is to regard (5) as resulting from nucleophilic attack on the alkene cationic complex (9) as in equation (ix). Since an alkene is translabilising, (9) can be assumed to be in equilibrium with (5) and hence also with (4) and (3). A nucleophile would be expected to attack a cationic species more readily than a neutral one (a supposition which has been used for some interesting syntheses 16,17) so that it seems reasonable to assume that K_{ix}/K_{iii} (see below) is at least 10, if not considerably greater. Because of the equilibria, K_{ix}/K_{iii} also equals [neutral σ species]/[cationic π -species], which shows that the latter compounds are not favoured thermodynamically. During the present work no evidence, for example from η^2 -CH=CH resonances, was found indicative of cationic alkene complexes (9). Perhaps failure to observe such species, except in special circumstances,¹⁷ arises from preferential formation of neutral σ -compounds (4).

$$am + \eta^{2}(CHR = CR'R'') - Pt - am \implies amCHRCR'R'' - Pt - am \implies I \qquad (ix)$$

$$Y \qquad Y \qquad (ix)$$

$$(9) \qquad (5)$$

Experimental

cis-[PtCl₂(CH₂CH₂am)Y].—The compound cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)Y] (ca. 0.06 g) was dissolved or suspended in CHCl₃ (1 cm³). The amine, am (1 mol equiv., dissolved in CHCl₃ in the case of NH₂Me), was added and the mixture shaken for ca. 1 min. The solid so formed was washed with a little CHCl₃ and dried [Found (am = NEt₃, Y = Me₂SO): C, 25.3; H, 5.35; N, 2.8. C₁₀H₂₅Cl₂NOPtS requires C, 25.35; H, 5.3; N, 2.95%. Found (am = NEt₃, Y = PPh₃): C, 47.35; H, 5.3; N, 1.95. C₂₆H₃₄Cl₂NPPt requires C, 47.5; H, 5.2; N, 2.1%. Found (am = NH₂Me, Y = Me₂SO): C, 14.65; H, 4.0; N, 3.55. C₅H₁₅Cl₂NOPtS require C, 14.8; H, 3.75; N, 3.4%].

[PtCl(NH₂Bu¹)(CH₂CH₂NH₂Bu¹)Y]⁺Cl⁻.—The compound cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)Y] (ca. 0.08 g) was suspended in CHCl₃ (1 cm³), and NH₂Bu¹ (2 mol equiv.) was added with shaking. After some removal of solvent, *in vacuo* if necessary, fine white crystals separated which were washed with a little CHCl₃ and dried [Found (Y = Me₂SO): C, 27.85; H, 6.3; N, 5.5. C₁₂H₃₂Cl₂N₂OPtS requires C, 27.8; H, 6.2; N, 5.4%. Found (Y = py): C, 34.6; H, 5.8; N, 7.9. C₁₅H₃₁Cl₂N₃Pt requires C, 34.65; H, 5.95; N, 8.1%. Found (Y = NH₃): C, 26.15; N, 6.5; H, 9.1. C₁₀H₂₉Cl₂N₃Pt requires C, 26.25; H, 6.35; N, 9.1%]. [PtCl(Me₂SO)(CH₂CHEtNMe₂)][Me₂NH₂]⁺Cl⁻.—The compound *cis*-[PtCl₂(η^2 -CH₂=CHEt)(Me₂SO)] (0.4 g) in CHCl₃ (10 cm³) and dimethylamine (0.07 cm³) were mixed at -20 °C. Solvent was removed under vacuum at 0 °C. The resulting solid was recrystallized from distilled water under vacuum (Found: C, 24.6; H, 5.9; Cl, 14.3; N, 6.0. C₁₀H₂₈Cl₂N₂-OPtS requires C, 24.5; H, 5.7; Cl, 14.4; N, 5.7%), δ (NCHC-Pt): in CDCl₃, 4.25 (complex); in D₂O, 4.3 (complex); therefore the formulation as a double compound is preferred.

[PtCl(Me₂SO)(CH₂CHEtNMe₂)].—By recrystallization of the compound above from toluene–CH₂Cl₂ (Found: C, 23.7; H, 5.1; Cl, 8.8; N, 3.55. C₈H₂₀ClNOPtS requires C, 23.5; H, 4.95; Cl, 8.7; N, 3.4%).

cis-[PtCl₂(am)(η^2 -C₂H₄)].—Three methods were used. (i) For $am = CH_2PhNHMe$, $p-O_2NC_6H_4NH_2$, and NH₃, the traditional approach ^{18,19} of treating $[PtCl_3(C_2H_4)]^-$ with am was adopted. (ii) A photochemical method of irradiating the corresponding *trans* isomer, which has been used for am = iquin,²⁰ was modified for am = py or 4Me-py. trans-[PtCl₂- $(am)(\eta^2-C_2H_4)$] (0.08 g) was dissolved in CHCl₃ (0.5 cm³) in a stoppered vessel which was irradiated with u.v. light (λ_{max} = 366 nm) for 6 h. For am = py, crystals began to appear after 2 h, but some evaporation of solvent in vacuo was required for am = 4Me-py [Found (am = py): C, 22.7; H, 2.4; N, 3.9. C₇H₉Cl₂NPt requires C, 22.5; H, 2.4; N, 3.7%]. (iii) In method (ii) above the μ -dichloro-platinum species, [Pt₂Cl₄-(am)₂], can also be formed for some am ligands.²¹ For (iii), it was convenient to isolate this intermediate (see below) and then to treat it with ethene. For $am = NHMe_2$, pip, py, 4Me-py, or i-quin, [Pt₂Cl₄(am)₂] (0.3 g) was suspended in CHCl₃ (20 cm³) and the orange mixture treated with a stream of ethene in the dark. After 2-4 h, the colour disappeared and a white solid appeared which was washed with CHCl₃ and dried. (For am = 4Me-py, precipitation was effected by addition of n-pentane.) Crystallisation was from n-pentane-chloroform. Satisfactory analyses were obtained [e.g. Found (am = NH-Me₂): C, 14.2; H, 3.35; N, 4.2. C₄H₁₁Cl₂NPt requires C, 14.2; H, 3.3; N, 4.15].

cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -cis-MeCH=CHMe)(NHMe₂)].—This was prepared by treating [Pt₂Cl₄(am)₂] with the appropriate alkene as in method (*iii*) above.

cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -CHR=CR'R'')(4Me-py)] (R' = R'' = H; R = Me or Et).—Propene or 1-butene was bubbled through cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)(4Me-py)] (0.3 g) in CHCl₃ (20 cm³) for 40 min. The solution was left for 60 min, then solvent removed under vacuum. Crystallisation was from pentane-chloroform [Found (R = Me): C, 26.85; H, 3.2; N, 3.5. C₉H₁₃Cl₂NPt requires C, 26.9; H, 3.25; N. 3.5%. Found (R = Et): C, 28.8; H, 3.7; N, 3.4. C₁₀H₁₅Cl₂NPt requires C, 28.9; H, 3.65; N, 3.35%].

 $[Pt_2Cl_4(am)_2]$.—For am = NHMe₂, pip, py, 4Me-py, or iquin, *trans*- $[PtCl_2(am)(\eta^2-C_2H_4)]$ (0.3 g) was dissolved in the minimum of chloroform, and four times as much (by volume) light petroleum (b.p. 40—60 °C) added. The solution was irradiated with u.v. light (λ_{max} . = 366 nm); after 2 h an orangeyellow precipitate began to form. After 12 h, in most cases, the precipitation of orange-yellow solid was complete. It was filtered off, washed with hexane, and dried. Satisfactory analyses were obtained [*e.g.*, Found (am = NHMe₂): C, 7.8; H, 2.3; N, 4.55. C₄H₁₄Cl₄N₂Pt₂ requires C, 7.7; H, 2.25; N, 4.5%].

cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)(NCCH₃)] and cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)(P-

 Ph_{3} .—These were prepared by the published methods (refs. 22 and 19 respectively).

cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)(Me₂SO)].—This compound can be prepared from K[PtCl₃(Me₂SO)].^{19,23} However, we found that a better yield was obtained starting from K[PtCl₃(η^2 -C₂H₄)]: 2 g of this complex in water (30 cm³) were treated with a solution of Me₂SO (0.4 cm³) in water (2 cm³) under an atmosphere of ethene. After 45 min the greyish product was separated from the solution and washed with 1% hydrochloric acid, alcohol, and diethyl ether. The complex was taken up in a small volume of boiling acetone and then filtered under gravity to remove small amounts of platinum metal. Shining white crystals were produced by the slow addition of hexane to the warm solution (Found: C, 13.0; H, 2.7. C₄H₁₀Cl₂OPtS requires C, 12.9; H, 2.7%).

cis-[PtCl₂(alkene)(Me₂SO)].—Compounds containing higher alkenes were prepared by displacing ethene from *cis*-[PtCl₂(η^2 -C₂H₄)(Me₂SO)].²⁴

 $[PtCl(Me_2SO)(CH_2CH_2NMe_2)]$ was prepared according to ref. 4.

Equilibrium Studies.—Equilibrium constants were evaluated by observing changes in absorbance of solutions of cis-[PtCl₂(η^2 -CHR=CR'R'')Y] in the u.v. spectra on addition of aliquots of amine using the procedures described previously.¹¹

Instruments.—Spectrometers used were a PE 554 (u.v.-visible) and a JEOL JNM-MH-100 (¹H n.m.r., 100 MHz).

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