Mixed Olefin-Carbonyl Complexes of Platinum(11)

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The reaction of cis-PtCl₂(CO)₂ with cycloheptene in dichloromethane yielded cis-PtCl₂(CO)- (C_7H_{12}) (1), characterized by X-ray diffraction methods. The dimeric bromide $Pt_2Br_4(CO)_2$ and cycloheptene in CH_2Cl_2 solution after workup and precipitation with heptane yielded a mixture of two solids, one of which, 2, was found crystallographically to be $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2.2[cis-PtBr_2 (CO)(C₇H₁₂)$, an infrequent case of cocrystallization of two different molecules. Compound 1 crystallizes in the orthorhombic space group *Pbcm* with $a = 10.679(3)$ Å, $b = 13.533(1)$ Å, $c =$ 7.459(4) Å, and $V = 1078(1)$ Å³ for $Z = 4$. Least-squares refinement of 1083 observed unique reflections gave $R = 0.042$ $(R_w = 0.048)$. Compound 2 crystallizes in the triclinic space group *P*I with $a = 7.106(3)$ Å, $b = 11.872(2)$ Å, $c = 12.908(7)$ Å, $\alpha = 72.79(3)$ °, $\beta = 84.15(2)$ °, $\gamma =$ 81.96(2)[°], and $V = 1078.1$ Å³ for $Z = 2$. Least-squares refinement of 3637 observed reflections gave $R = 0.047$ $(R_w = 0.056)$.

Introduction

In a recent paper some of us¹ reported that mixed olefincarbonyl complexes of platinum(II) of formula $PtX_2(CO)$ -(olefin) (X = Cl, Br; olefin = C_2H_4 , C_3H_6 , cyclopentene, cyclohexene) are best prepared by the reaction of the carbonyl dimer $Pt_2X_4(CO)_2$ with the stoichiometric amount of the olefin. On the basis of spectroscopic methods in solution, the compounds were suggested to be monomeric with a *cis* arrangement of the ligands around square-planar platinum(I1). We now report the isolation of the cycloheptene derivative cis-PtCl₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂), which has been studied by X-ray diffractometric methods, thus confirming the earlier structural assignment.¹ Furthermore, the bromide derivative trans- $Pt_2Br_4(CO)_2$ was shown to react with cycloheptene, yielding two types of single crystals; we could solve one of the structures, which turned out to be formed by molecules of the monomer *cis-* $PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂)$ and of the dimer $Pt₂Br₄(C₇H₁₂)₂$.

The relative affinity of olefins and CO for late-transitionmetal cations is an important problem in connection with the palladium-catalyzed copolymerization of CO and olefins.2 Earlier work from these laboratories had shown that AuCl(olefin) was slightly favored with respect to AuCl- (CO) at atmospheric pressure of $CO³$ In the case of squareplanar palladium(I1) or platinum(II), two coordination sites are available for the simultaneous coordination of CO and olefin.

Experimental Section

All the operations reported in this paper were carried out under an atmosphere of dinitrogen. Solvents were dried by conventional

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methods, and cycloheptene was distilled prior to use. cis-PtCl₂- $(CO)_2$ was prepared by carbonylation of "hexachloroplatinic acid" in thionyl chloride⁴ or by chlorination of $PtI₂(CO)₂$ *(cis and trans* mixture) with $\mathrm{SO}_2\mathrm{Cl}_2$;⁵ trans-Pt₂Br₄(CO)₂⁶ was prepared according to literature methods. The IR spectra in the 4000-400-cm-1 region were measured with a Perkin-Elmer 1725/X instrument on KBr pellet, unless otherwise specified.

Synthesis and Characterization of cis -PtCl₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) (1). The chloro-carbonyl derivative cis- $PtCl₂(CO)₂(0.500 g, 1.55$ mmol) was dissolved in 25 mL of CH2C12; 0.2 mL (0.16 **g,** 1.71 mmol) of cycloheptene was added to the solution, which was then stirred for 20 min at room temperature under intermittent evacuation. A complete conversion of the chlorocarbonyl $(\nu_{CO}$ 2177 and 2133 cm⁻¹) to the olefin-carbonyl derivative (ν_{CO} 2120 cm-l) occurred. Transparent needles of **1** precipitated out by addition of hexane. IR spectrum (cm-1): 2121, 1462 (w), 1377 (w), 530 (w). IR in toluene solution (cm⁻¹): ν_{CO} 2111.

Synthesis of $[PtBr_2(C_7H_{12})]_2.2[cis-PtBr_2(CO)(C_7H_{12})](2)$. The brown-yellow dimeric bromo-carbonyl complex $Pt_2Br_4(CO)_2$ $(0.23 \text{ g}, 0.38 \text{ mmol})$ was dissolved in 20 mL of toluene $(\nu_{\text{CO}} 2120 \text{ m})$ cm^{-1}) and treated with 0.4 mL (0.32 g, 3.42 mmol) of cycloheptene. The solution, which had immediately turned pale yellow (ν_{CO}) 2105 cm-l), was almost completely evaporated, and the residue was then redissolved in 20 mL of CH_2Cl_2 (v_{CO} 2114 cm⁻¹). By addition of heptane, a solid $(v_{CO} 2118$ (s), 2100 (sh) cm⁻¹) containing two types of crystals was obtained from the dichloromethane solution. Under the microscope it was possible to separate⁷ the colorless needles (IR of selected crystals: v_{CO} 2118 cm⁻¹) from the orange crystals of 2 (IR of selected crystals: ν_{CO} 2100 cm-l), which were subsequently subjected to the X-ray diffraction experiment *(vide infra).*

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⁽⁷⁾ We could carry out a diffractometric experiment on one of the colorless crystals of the main species, but we were not able to solve the structure completely. We found rather large cell constants *(a* = **7.38 A,** $b = 11.26 \text{ Å}, c = 26.19 \text{ Å}$ at ~50 °C) in the orthorhombic space group $Pna2₁$
or $Pnam$ and proceeded in the refinement to an R value of 0.096; also in
this case, the cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) unit was identified w **For a second unit (containing a disordered Pt atom position, acycloheptene moiety, and a bromine atom), a chemically significant solution could not be found.**

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 $R = \sum |F_{o}| - |F_{c}||/\sum |F_{o}|$. $\circ R_{w} = [\sum w(|F_{o}| - |F_{c}|)^{2}/\sum F_{o}^{2}]^{1/2}$, with $w =$ **1.**

X-ray Data Collection, Solution, and Refinement of the Crystal Structures. All X-ray experiments were carried out with an automated Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer using monochromated Mo K_{α} radiation ($\lambda = 0.71069$ Å).

 $cis-PtCl₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂)$ (1). A colorless, transparent crystal of 1 with approximate dimensions (mm) 0.05 **X 0.05 X 0.2** was mounted on a glass rod and used for the X-ray diffraction experiment at -50 **'C.** The cell dimensions (see Table **1)** were refined with **25** precisely centered reflections in the range **11.44'** $\lt \theta \lt 14.21^\circ$. With the *w*/ θ scan mode in a 3° $\lt \theta \lt 30^\circ$ angular region, **3515** intensities were collected, from which **2069** independent reflections with $I > 3\sigma(I)$ were used in the calculation.
From the Laue symmetry mmm and the zonal extinctions $0kl (k)$ $= 2n$) and *h0l* ($l = 2n$) the possible space groups were restricted to the orthorhombic ones Pbc2₁ (No. 29) and Pbcm (No. 57). With direct methods⁸ (SHELX) a solution was found in the space group Pbcm. The refinement of all atoms with isotropic temperature factors gave $R = 0.103$; this value decreased to 0.057 after an absorption correction with the DIFABS method⁹ and merging over the symmetry-related reflections. The anisotropic refinement of all atoms gave $R = 0.049$, and finally, after refinement of the secondary extinction coefficients¹⁰ and calculation of the positions for the H atoms, the value $R = 0.042$ (R_w) = **0.048)** was obtained. Atomic coordinates are given in Table **2.**

 $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2.2[cis-PtBr_2(CO)(C_7H_{12})](2)$. The measurement on the crystals of 2 was performed at **-70** 'C; the cell parameters (see Table **1)** were determined on the basis of **25** precisely measured reflections in the range $6.46^{\circ} < \theta < 17.17^{\circ}$. A total of 6349 intensities were collected in the $3^{\circ} < \theta < 30^{\circ}$ angular region, from which **3637** independent values with I > $3\sigma(I)$ were used in the calculation. With a Patterson method,

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Table 2. Positional and Thermal Parameters for $cis-PtCl₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂)²$

atom	x	у	z	$B(\AA^2)$
Pt	0.69219(6)	0.29699(4)	0.250	2.142(9)
Cl(1)	0.8695(4)	0.2015(3)	0.250	2.80(7)
Cl(2)	0.5666(5)	0.1565(3)	0.250	3.44(9)
O(11)	0.449(1)	0.403(1)	0.250	4.5(3)
C(11)	0.544(2)	0.368(1)	0.250	2.9(3)
C(1)	0.809(1)	0.4199(8)	0.157(2)	2.5(2)
C(2)	0.749(1)	0.5029(8)	0.051(2)	3.0(3)
C(3)	0.828(2)	0.5984(9)	0.076(2)	4.1(3)
C(4)	0.796(2)	0.654(1)	0.250	3.4(4)
H(11)	0.8908	0.4291	0.2031	$3.2*$
H(21)	0.6646	0.5145	0.0906	$3.8*$
H(22)	0.7454	0.4857	-0.0741	$3.8*$
H(31)	0.8136	0.6415	-0.0232	$5.1*$
H(32)	0.9140	0.5802	0.0780	$5.1*$
H(41)	0.8485	0.7114	0.2591	$4.2*$

Numbers in parentheses are estimated standard deviations in the least significant digit. Starred values denote atoms refined isotropically. Anisotropically refined atoms are given in the form of the isotropic equivalent displacement parameter defined as $\frac{4}{3}a^2\beta(1,1) + b^2\beta(2,2) +$ $c^2\beta(3,3) + ab(\cos \gamma)\beta(1,2) + ac(\cos \beta)\beta(1,3) + bc(\cos \alpha)\beta(2,3)$.

Table 3. Positional and Thermal Parameters for $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2.2[cis-PtBr_2(CO)(C_7H_{12})]^a$

atom	x	y	z	$B(\AA^2)$
Pt(1)	0.06360(9)	0.13615(5)	0.07977(5)	1.82(1)
Pt(2)	0.97894(8)	0.39691(5)	0.42085(5)	1.66(1)
Br(11)	0.2120(4)	$-0.0651(2)$	0.1248(2)	3.92(5)
Br(12)	$-0.2090(3)$	0.0796(2)	0.2085(2)	3.01(4)
Br(21)	0.8526(3)	0.4290(2)	0.5953(1)	2.51(3)
Br(22)	1.1317(3)	0.3837(2)	0.2496(1)	2.98(3)
о	$-0.142(2)$	0.380(1)	0.040(1)	3.9(3)
C(1)	$-0.063(2)$	0.291(1)	0.054(2)	2.7(4)
C(11)	0.246(2)	0.173(1)	$-0.073(1)$	2.0(3)
C(12)	0.343(2)	0.196(1)	0.007(1)	2.2(3)
C(13)	0.378(3)	0.321(1)	0.006(2)	2.6(4)
C(14)	0.514(3)	0.371(1)	$-0.091(2)$	2.7(4)
C(15)	0.412(3)	0.421(2)	$-0.200(2)$	2.9(4)
C(16)	0.341(3)	0.331(2)	$-0.242(2)$	3.4(4)
C(17)	0.170(3)	0.270(2)	$-0.168(1)$	2.9(4)
C(21)	0.760(2)	0.295(2)	0.403(2)	2.6(4)
C(22)	0.912(3)	0.216(1)	0.452(2)	2.6(3)
C(23)	0.889(2)	0.144(2)	0.572(1)	2.5(4)
C(24)	0.753(3)	0.048(1)	0.580(2)	2.8(4)
C(25)	0.542(3)	0.099(1)	0.587(1)	2.2(3)
C(26)	0.468(2)	0.196(2)	0.487(2)	3.2(4)
C(27)	0.567(3)	0.314(2)	0.462(2)	3.2(4)

Numbers in parentheses are estimated standard deviations in the least significant digit. Anisotropically refined atoms are given in the form of the isotropic equivalent displacement parameter defined as + $bc(\cos \alpha)\beta(2,3)$]. $\frac{4}{3}[a^2\beta(1,1) + b^2\beta(2,2) + c^2\beta(3,3) + ab(\cos\gamma)\beta(1,2) + ac(\cos\beta)\beta(1,3)]$

two distinct molecules were identified in the asymmetric unit. In one of the molecules the positional parameters for the platinum and two bromine atoms were assigned; in the other one, one platinum and one bromine atom were located $(R = 0.214)$. In the following difference Fourier syntheses, a $C₇$ cyclic unit for both platinum atoms was identified $(R = 0.127)$ and the structure of the asymmetric unit with chemically independent square-planar cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) and ¹/₂Pt₂Br₄(C₇H₁₂)₂ was established. The inversion center lies in the middle of the $Pt(\mu - Br_2)$ ^pt moiety of the $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2$ dimer. An absorption correction⁹ gave $R =$ 0.062, and the insertion of anisotropic thermal parameters for all atoms decreased the R value to 0.048 $(R_w = 0.057)$; the refinement of the secondary extinction coefficient¹⁰ gave the final value R $= 0.048$ $(R_w = 0.056)$. Atomic coordinates are given in Table 3.

Results and Discussion

The mixed carbonyl-cycloheptene complexes of platinum(I1) have been prepared by reactions 1 and 2.

cis-PtCl₂(CO)₂ + C₇H₁₂
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cis-PtCl₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) + CO (1)

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cis-PtCl_2(CO)(C_7H_{12}) + CO (1)
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trans-Pt₂Br₄(CO)₂ + 2C₇H₁₂ \rightarrow
2 cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) (2)

Removal of CO was necessary in order to displace equilibrium 1 to the right. While compound 1 was the sole product of reaction 1, the mixed carbonyl-olefin derivative cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C_7H_{12}) was obtained in reaction 2 as the second component of the single crystals of **2,** in a 2:1 molar ratio with trans-Pt₂Br₄(C₇H₁₂)₂. It is believed that the carbonyl-olefin bromide complex of eq **2** is formed *via* the intermediacy of trans- $PtBr_2(CO)(C_7H_{12})$, followed by isomerization to the thermodynamically stable cis isomer (see eqs 3 and 4). In an earlier paper, $11a$ the car-

trans-Pt₂Br₄(CO)₂ + 2C₇H₁₂
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2 trans-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) (3)

trans-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂)
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cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) (4)

bonylation of trans- $Pt_2X_4(CO)_2$ (X = Cl, Br) was shown to occur through the intermediate formation of trans- $PtX₂(CO)₂$, which is unstable with respect to cis- $PtX₂$ - $(CO)_2$: a similar mechanism is therefore suggested for the olefin addition to the trans-dicarbonyl bromide dimer.

trans-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) is also believed to be responsible for the formation of the trans dimer $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2$ by loss of CO (see eq 5) as the second component of **2.**

²trans-PtBr2(CO)(C7H12) *e* 2 CO + Pt2Br,(C7Hlz)2 **(5)**

The alternative possibility of CO dissociation from *cis-*PtBrz(CO)(C7H12) (see eq **6)** is less likely, by analogy with the observation that cis- $PtX_2(CO)_2$ species (X = Cl, Br) are substitionally inert.^{6,11b}

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2 cis-PtBr_2(CO)(C_7H_{12}) \rightleftarrows 2CO + Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2
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 (6)

The structures of compounds 1 and **2,** presented in this paper (see Figures 1 and 2), are a contribution to the series of structural data for the systems $cis-PtX_2LL'$ and $(PtX₂L)₂$, in which L and L' are trans-labilizing donor ligands (see, for example, the compounds with $L = L' =$ styrene¹³ and $L = CO$, $L' = PPh₃¹⁴$. Both structures of the present study (see Tables 4 and *5)* confirm the observation¹⁴ that the halogen *trans* to the carbonyl group is closer to platinum than the halogen trans to the other neutral ligand: in 1, $Cl(2) - Pt = 2.328(4)$ Å and $Cl(1) - Pt$ $= 2.292(4)$ Å, $\Delta = 0.036$ Å; in **2**, $Br(12)-Pt = 2.453(2)$ Å and Br(11)-Pt = 2.400(2) Å, Δ = 0.053 Å. This is to be compared with $Cl(1)-Pt(PPh_3) = 2.342(3)$ Å and $Cl(2)$ -Pt(CO) = 2.277(3) Å (Δ = 0.065 Å) in cis-PtCl₂(CO)-

Figure 2. SCHAKAL view12 of the complexes in **2.**

Table 4. Bond Distances (A) and Angles (deg) for $cis-PtCl₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂)^s$

Bond Distances					
$Pt-Cl(1)$	2.292(4)	$C(1) - C(1')$	1.38(2)		
$Pt-Cl(2)$	2.328(4)	$C(1) - C(2)$	1.52(2)		
$Pt-C(1)$	2.20(1)	$C(2) - C(3)$	1.55(2)		
$Pt-C(11)$	1.85(2)	$C(3) - C(4)$	1.53(2)		
$O(11) - C(11)$	1.11(2)				
Bond Angles					
$Cl(1) - Pt - Cl(2)$	90.9(2)	$C(11)-Pt-C(1)$	95.4(5)		
$Cl(1) - Pt - C(11)$	176.8(5)	$C(1) - Pt - C(1')$	36.8(5)		
$Cl(1) - Pt - C(1)$	87.6(4)	$C(1') - C(1) - C(2)$	122(2)		
$Cl(2) - Pt - C(11)$	85.9(5)	$C(1)-C(2)-C(3)$	109(2)		
$Cl(2) - Pt - C(1)$	161.6(3)	$C(2)-C(3)-C(4)$	113(1)		
$Cl(2) - Pt - C(1)$	161.6(3)	$C(3)-C(4)-C(3)$	115(1)		

*^a*Numbers in parentheses are estimated standard deviations in the least significant digit.

 $(PPh₃)¹⁴$ This should be taken as an indication of a weaker trans influence15 of CO with respect to both olefins and tertiary phosphines. The $C=$ C bond separation in the three $Pt - (C_7H_{12})$ environments, 1.38(2) \AA in 1, 1.41(3) \AA in cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂), and 1.40(2) Å in Pt₂Br₄(C₇H₁₂)₂ in the asymmetric unit of **2,** are in agreement with those found in cis-PtCl₂(styrene)₂ (1.382(9) and 1.398(9) \AA^{13}). Taking into account that a $C=$ double-bond length is $ca. 1.34$ Å and a $C-C$ single bond is *ca.* 1.54 Å, our data for 1 and 2 suggest a rather modest π back-bonding contribution.

The platinum atom in 1 lies only 0.004 *8,* out of the plane formed by $Cl(1)$, $Cl(2)$, $C(11)$, and the midpoint of the bond between $C(1)$ and $C(1')$, as imposed by the mirror plane in the space group *Pbcm.* **Also** in **2** the platinum coordination geometry of the two components *cis-* $PtBr_2(CO)(C_7H_{12})$ and trans- $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2$ is essentially

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Table **5.** Bond Distances **(A)** and Angles (deg) **for** $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2$: 2 cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C_7H_{12})².

Bond Distances						
$Pt(1) - Br(11)$	2.400(2)	$C(14) - C(15)$	1.56(3)			
$Pt(1) - Br(12)$	2.453(2)	$C(15)-C(16)$	1.51(3)			
$Pt(1)-C(1)$	1.88(2)	$C(16)-C(17)$	1.58(3)			
$Pt(2) - Br(21)$	2.454(2)	$C(21) - C(22)$	1.40(2)			
$Pt(2) - Br(22)$	2.399(2)	$C(21) - C(27)$	1.52(3)			
$O-C(1)$	1.10(2)	$C(22)-C(23)$	1.53(2)			
$C(11)-C(12)$	1.41(3)	$C(23)-C(24)$	1.57(3)			
$C(11) - C(17)$	1.51(2)	$C(24)-C(25)$	1.54(3)			
$C(12) - C(13)$	1.54(3)	$C(25)-C(26)$	1.55(2)			
$C(13)-C(14)$	1.54(2)	$C(26)-C(27)$	1.59(3)			
$Pt(1)-C(11)$	2.21(2)	$Pt(1) - C(12)$	2.22(2)			
$Pt(2)-C(21)$	2.18(2)	$Pt(2) - C(22)$	2.18(2)			
Bond Angles						
$Br(11) - Pt(1) - Br(12)$	91.48(7)	$C(12)-C(11)-C(17)$	122(2)			
$Br(11) - Pt(1) - C(1)$	175.9(6)	$C(11)-C(12)-C(13)$	124(1)			
$Br(12) - Pt(1) - C(1)$	84.7(5)	$C(12) - C(13) - C(14)$	108(2)			
Br(21) – Pt(2) – Br(22)	172.41(8)	$C(13) - C(14) - C(15)$	113(2)			
Br(11)--Pt(1)-C(11)	88.6(4)	$C(14) - C(15) - C(16)$	116(1)			
$Br(11) - Pt(1) - C(12)$	89.0(5)	$C(15)-C(16)-C(17)$	113(2)			
$Br(12) - Pt(1) - C(11)$	84.7(5)	$C(11)-C(17)-C(16)$	110(2)			
$Br(12) - Pt(1) - C(12)$	162.5(6)	$C(22) - C(21) - C(27)$	123(2)			
$C(1)$ -Pt (1) -C (12)	94.3(7)	$C(21)-C(22)-C(23)$	120(2)			
$C(11)-Pt(1)-C(12)$	37.1(7)	$C(22)$ -C(23)-C(24)	107(2)			
$Br(21) - Pt(2) - C(21)$	97.4(5)	$C(23)-C(24)-C(25)$	111(1)			
$Br(21) - Pt(2) - C(22)$	98.4(5)	$C(24)-C(25)-C(26)$	117(1)			
Br(22) – Pt(2) – C(21)	90.1(5)	$C(25)-C(26)-C(27)$	113(2)			
Br(22) – Pt(2) – C(22)	88.3(5)	$C(21) - C(27) - C(26)$	108(2)			
$C(21)$ -Pt (2) -C (22)	37.7(6)	$Pt(1)-C(1)-O$	179(2)			
$C(1) - Pt(1) - C(11)$	95.6(7)					

least significant digit. ^a Numbers in parentheses are estimated standard deviations in the

Figure **3.** View of the molecular packing **of** the two different complexes of **2.**

planar and the distances between the platinum atom and the olefinic carbons are equal within the limits of the standard deviations: in cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂), they are 2.20(2) and 2.22(2) Å; in the trans- $Pt_2Br_4(C_7H_{12})_2$ dimer, they are 2.16(2) and 2.17(2) **A.**

The crystal packing of **2** (see Figure 3) appears to be mainly governed by van der Waals interactions.

The quite unusual feature of two different and independent molecules cocrystallizing in the same unit cell of **2** should also be noted. Such a feature is observed in a number of cases, when anions and cations are involved. For example, in a number of aurates, the cocrystallization of AuX_2^- and AuX_4^- or X_3^- and AuX_4^- was found: $Cs_2^ Au_2X_{6}$, $^{16,17}Cs_3(AuBr_4)_2Br_3$, $^{18}Rb_2Au_2Br_6$, $Rb_3Au_3Cl_8$, 19 and $Rb₂AgAu₃I₈$.²⁰ On the other hand, for neutral molecules, similar cases are also known, although they are rather rare. Gambarotta and co-workers²¹ reported the X-ray crystal structure of the product obtained when a pyridine solution of [Cr(TAA)(py)zl-py (TAA = **tetramethyldibenzotetraaza-** [14lannulene) was layered with THF-hexane; one dinuclear $[Cr(TAA)]_2$ and two mononuclear pseudooctahedral $Cr(TAA)(py)_2$ molecules were found in the lattice, together with two molecules of THF and one disordered molecule of pyridine. Chisholm, Cotton, and co-workers²² reported the diffractometric characterization of $2W_2$ - $(NMe₂)₆$. W(NMe₂)₆; in this case, the individual dinuclear and mononuclear components were also studied and the geometrical parameters were found to be in agreement with the structure containing both species. The structural characterization of $WCl₆·S₈$ is also relevant in this connection.²³ A case of cocrystallization of ionic and neutral complexes is represented by the structure of $[MoN(N_3)_2]$ -(terpy)] $[MoN(N_3)_4] \cdot MoN(N_3)_3$ (terpy).²⁴ In these structures, van der Waals interactions appear to be mainly responsible for the formation of the solid-state adducts.

On the other hand, as a distinct case from clathrates (i.e. solid-state structures including solvent molecules in their cavities), cis-PtBr₂(CO)(C₇H₁₂) and ¹/₂[PtBr₂- $(C_7H_{12})_2$ have comparable steric requirements. While this article was in preparation, a paper appeared describing the crystal and molecular structure of $2[PtCl₂ (9S3)$].PtCl₂(1,5-C₈H₁₂) (9S3 = trithiacyclononane).²⁵

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