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### SUMMARY

This thesis describes the single-crystal X-ray structure analyses of eleven inorganic compounds.

A brief account of X-ray diffraction theory and experimental techniques is presented in Chapter One, with emphasis on those aspects relevant to the above-mentioned structural studies.

Theoretical treatments and experimental methods pertaining to the trans-influence of ligands are outlined briefly in Chapter Two. The structure analyses of five platinum complexes are then described: a continuing theme here is the nature of the trans-influence of carbon-donor and phosphine ligands. Four specific points of structural interest arise.

- (i) The study of the complexes cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(L)] (L = PPh<sub>3</sub> and PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph) has shown that the trans-influence of carbon monoxide is very small, being comparable to that of chloride. The trans-influence of carbon-donor ligands is then considered in terms of a platinum-ligand bonding model. It is further observed that the metal-ligand bond lengths, and also related i.r. and n.m.r. spectroscopic data, indicate the possibility of carbon monoxide exerting a cis-influence on the Pt-Cl and Pt-P bonds in the complexes.
- (ii) In cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>{Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>}] the electronic properties of the substituents on the phosphorus atoms exert a pronounced effect on the metal-ligand bonding. Thus, the Pt-P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>-bond is extremely short [l(Pt-P) = 2.168(2) Å; cf. l(Pt-PPh<sub>2</sub>-) = 2.244(2) Å] and is trans to an unusually short Pt-Cl bond. An extension of the model of the trans-influence of carbon-donor ligands is presented.

- (iii) Chatt and co-workers concluded that when the complexes cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{C}(\text{NHMe})_2\}(\text{PEt}_3)]$  and trans- $[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{C}(\text{NMe})_2\}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]\text{ClO}_4$  react with dichlorine a novel 2-metallation and 4-chlorination of the phenyl ring occurs. This has been verified by the X-ray analysis of the Pt(IV) carbenoid derivative  $[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{C}(\text{Cl.C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH})(\text{NHMe})\}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]\text{ClO}_4$ . The N-C(carbenoid) and Pt-C(donor) distances suggest that the platinum(IV) carbenoid bonding is very similar to that observed in platinum(II) complexes, with the main interaction being overlap of the vacant p orbital of the sp<sup>2</sup> carbenoid carbon atom with the filled p orbitals of the adjacent nitrogen atoms, which are also sp<sup>2</sup> hybridised. The Pt-Cl bond lengths lead to the trans-influence order chloride < carbenoid <  $\sigma$ -phenyl, which is identical to that in platinum(II) derivatives.
- (iv) The analysis of the cyclooctyne complex  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ . -  $0.5\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$  was carried out in order to compare the structure with those of the cyclooctyne molecule and of the analogous cyclohexyne and cycloheptyne complexes of platinum. The metal co-ordination geometry is found to be very similar to those in the related cycloalkyne complexes. However, the cyclooctyne conformation is a half-boat, which differs from that (a half-chair) observed in free cyclooctyne in the gas phase.

In Chapter Three the molecular structures of a novel ligand, 1,1-dimethyl-2,5-diphenyl-1-silacyclopentadiene (silole), and its tricarbonylruthenium complex are described. This is the first structural study of the complexed and uncomplexed forms of the same heterocyclopentadiene, where the hetero-atom belongs to the second short period. It has enabled an assessment to be made of the changes in

bonding which occur when the silole molecule is attached to a transition metal. A rationalisation of the results is given in terms of a Hückel molecular orbital model.

Recently, Chatt and co-workers synthesised a series of isocyanide complexes trans- $[M(CNR)_2(dppe)_2]$  ( $M = Mo$  or  $W$ ;  $dppe = Ph_2PCH_2CH_2PPh_2$ ;  $R =$  alkyl or aryl). They noted that the  $\nu(NC)$  values are much lower than those for free isocyanides and close to the values for bridging isocyanides. Moreover, the ready protonation at the nitrogen atom is unusual. To examine the isocyanide bonding in these complexes, the analyses of two representative derivatives [ $M = Mo$ , (I) or  $M = W$ , (II);  $R = CH_3$ ] have been carried out. Details are given in Chapter Four.

The metal co-ordination geometries in (I) and (II) are similar to that in trans- $[Mo(N_2)_2(dppe)_2]$ . The most noteworthy feature is the C-N-C(Me) interbond angle in (I) of  $155.1(5)^\circ$ . Prior to the present study, no fully attested example of substantial bending at the nitrogen atom of co-ordinated isocyanide was available. However, recently a corresponding C-N-C angle of  $130(2)^\circ$  has been reported in  $[Ru(CNBut)_4(PPh_3)]$ . The present C-N-C angle and the Mo-C(donor) distance are both consistent with a large contribution from the canonical form  $M=C=\ddot{N}-R$ . The tungsten isocyanide complex (II) is almost isostructural with (I) and has a C-N-C(Me) angle of  $151(1)^\circ$ .

Recently, Chatt and co-workers synthesised a range of novel five- and six- co-ordinate rhenium nitrosyl complexes. They noted difficulties in structural assignment. Thus, the spectral and magnetic properties of  $[ReCl_2(NO)(PMePh_2)_2]$  (III) appear anomalous. The structure analysis of two representative complexes  $[ReCl_2(NO)(CH_3OH)-$

$(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2]$  (IV) and  $[\text{ReCl}_3(\text{NO})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$  (V) are described herein.

In both (IV) and (V) a linear Re-N-O arrangement is found, and the Re-N distances appear normal. Compound (IV) appears to be derived from (III) by addition of solvent methanol during recrystallisation and this unexpected reaction frustrated an attempt to determine the structural basis of the unusual magnetic properties of (III).



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CHAPTER ONE

Some Aspects of X-Ray Structure Analysis  
of Single Crystals

### 1.1. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Morphological crystallography<sup>1</sup> was studied systematically as early as the 17th century. In 1669 Steno carried out measurements on quartz crystal and postulated the law of constancy of the interfacial angles of a crystal.

In 1801 Haüy formulated the law of rational indices which can be expressed as follows: the ratios of the indices of any face of a crystal are rational and, in general, are the ratios of small integers. It follows from this law that a crystal can possess proper or improper rotation axes only of order 1, 2, 3, 4 or 6. Combinations of these symmetry elements lead to 32 point groups which are classifiable to 7 crystal classes.

Bravais showed that only 14 distinct crystal lattices exist. In a lattice additional symmetry operations are possible, namely screw axes and glide planes which involve, respectively, rotations and reflexion coupled with translation by simple fractions of a cell edge. Combination of symmetry elements leads to 230 independent space groups, which are mathematical representations of the only ways in which identical objects can be arranged in an infinite lattice.

In 1912, following a suggestion by von Laue, Friedrich and Knipping demonstrated the diffraction of X-rays by a crystal.<sup>2</sup> This phenomenon was interpreted by von Laue in terms of scattering from a three-dimensional grating. In the following year, W.L. Bragg showed that the scattering of monochromatic X-rays from a crystal could be considered in terms of reflexion and derived the law which bears his name.<sup>3</sup> This enabled the crystal structures of relatively simple compounds (such as sodium chloride) to be determined. Since that

time, with the application of the Fourier technique and the development of direct methods of phase determination, the elucidation of the crystal and molecular structures of complex molecules has become feasible. In addition, with the advent of powerful digital computers, the use of the least-squares method of structure refinement has become commonplace. Moreover, it is now less laborious to apply corrections for effects such as absorption and extinction; indeed, in many cases (e.g. the analyses of platinum derivatives described in this thesis) it is essential to apply such corrections in order to obtain precise structural information.

#### 1.2. DETERMINATION OF CELL DIMENSIONS AND SPACE GROUP

A preliminary examination of a crystal is usually undertaken with a Weissenberg or precession camera.<sup>4</sup> From the X-ray photographs, one can determine the crystal system and the unit-cell dimensions. Final values of the cell constants can be obtained by a least-squares treatment of diffractometer setting angles.<sup>5</sup> In addition, the systematically-absent reflexions enable one either to assign the crystal uniquely to one space group or to determine which space groups are possible.<sup>4,6</sup>

#### 1.3. DATA COLLECTION AND REDUCTION

For crystal-structure analysis, a comprehensive set of integrated intensities,  $I_o$ , is required. There are two main methods of obtaining such a set: by photographic techniques<sup>4</sup> or with a computer-controlled diffractometer.<sup>7</sup> In the photographic method, the intensities are estimated visually by use of a calibrated series of intensities on photographic film or measured with a densitometer.

For the diffractometer, a number of instrument geometries are possible; the Hilger and Watts<sup>6</sup> Y290 diffractometer employs four circles (labelled  $\theta$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $\chi$  and  $\phi$ ) which are capable of independent motion.

In the  $\theta/\omega$  scan mode,<sup>7</sup> the counter and crystal motions are coupled as the crystal is moved through the Bragg condition in a number of steps. The number of counts, in a fixed time, at each step is obtained electronically with a scintillation counter in conjunction with a pulse-height analyser. The integrated intensity is calculated from the relationship:

$$I_o = C - (B_1 + B_2) t_p / 2t_B \quad \dots\dots (1.1)$$

where C is the total number of counts obtained during the scan,  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are the background counts at each end of the scan range,  $t_p$  is the total time spent counting the peak, and  $t_B$  is the time spent counting each background. The estimated standard deviation of  $I_o$ ,  $\sigma(I_o)$ , is given by:

$$\sigma^2(I_o) = C + (B_1 + B_2) t_p^2 / 4t_B^2 + q^2 I_o^2 \dots (1.2)$$

The first two terms in this equation arise from counting statistics and the term  $q^2 I_o^2$  is included because of additional errors:<sup>8</sup> it is well known that discrepancies of a few percent arise between observed intensities of symmetrically-equivalent reflexions, even for those of the (hkl) and  $(\overline{h}\overline{k}\overline{l})$  planes of a centrosymmetric non-absorbing crystal; some of the variation is undoubtedly due to extinction effects and minor instrumental aberrations; moreover, when weights are derived directly from  $\sigma(F_o)$  values [see equation 1.44] neglect of the empirical term leads to unrealistic estimates

for strong reflexions. A value of ca. 0.05 is usually assigned to the factor  $q$ .

From the observed intensities, the amplitude of the diffracted wave,<sup>6</sup>  $|F_o|$ , can be derived:

$$|F_o| = K(I_o E / (ALp))^{1/2} \quad \dots (1.3)$$

$K$  is a scale factor which puts the structure amplitudes on an absolute scale. A crude value can be obtained from the empirical relationship:

$$K = 0.3 F(000) / F' \quad \dots (1.4)$$

where  $F(000)$  is the total number of electrons in the unit cell and  $F'$  is the largest (unscaled) structure amplitude obtained from the diffraction experiment. A more reliable estimate of the scale factor can be obtained from a Wilson plot.<sup>9</sup> The final value of  $K$  is obtained from the least-squares refinement (see Section 1.8).  $A$  and  $E$  are, respectively, corrections for absorption and extinction (see section 1.5). The Lorentz factor,  $L$ , corrects for the differing times individual reflexions spend in the diffraction condition and is dependent on the experimental technique employed and on the Bragg angle,  $\theta$ .<sup>6</sup> For the equi-inclination Weissenberg method,  $L$  is given by:

$$L = \sin\theta / \{\sin 2\theta \sqrt{(\sin^2\theta - \sin^2\mu)}\} \quad \dots (1.5)$$

where  $\mu$  is the equi-inclination setting angle. For the normal-beam diffractometer,  $L$  is given by:

$$L = 1 / \sin 2\theta \quad \dots (1.6)$$

The polarisation factor,  $p$ ,<sup>6</sup> corrects for the partial polarisation



of the unpolarised, incident X-ray beam upon scattering and is given by:

$$p = (1 + \cos^2 2\theta) / 2 \quad \dots (1.7)$$

However, if a crystal monochromator has been used, the X-ray beam is partially polarised. For a normal-beam diffractometer with a plane crystal monochromator, as in the Y290 instrument, the appropriate expression is:

$$p = (\cos^2 2\theta + \cos^2 2\theta_M) / (1 + \cos^2 2\theta_M) \quad \dots (1.8)$$

where  $\theta_M$  is the Bragg angle of the reflecting plane of the monochromating crystal.<sup>10</sup>

The estimated standard deviation of  $|F_o|$ , denoted  $\sigma(F_o)$ , can be obtained from the relationship:

$$\sigma(F_o) / |F_o| = \sigma(I_o) / 2I_o \quad \dots (1.9)$$

#### 1.4. DEAD-TIME LOSSES

With electronic counting systems, intensity losses arise when the counting rates become too great. For scintillation counters with pulse-height discrimination (as on the Y 290 diffractometer) dead-time losses are significant at counting rates greater than ca. 10,000 counts  $s^{-1}$ . For the Y290 instrument suitable attenuating foils were not available: hence, an empirical correction for counting losses was developed during the course of the present work. The integrated intensities suspected of being affected by such losses and of a representative sample of intensities with peak counting rates below 10,000 counts  $s^{-1}$  were remeasured at reduced X-ray generator settings.

A quadratic equation was found to give a satisfactory representation of the relationship between  $I_0$  and the integrated intensity at reduced settings,  $J_0$ . The coefficients,  $r$  and  $s$ , of the equation:

$$J_0 = rI_0 + sI_0^2 \quad \dots (1.10)$$

were obtained by the method of least-squares; the function minimised was  $\sum w\Delta^2$ , where

$$w = 1/\sigma^2(J_0) \quad \dots (1.11)$$

and

$$\Delta = J_0 - rI_0 - sI_0^2 \quad \dots (1.12)$$

The corrected intensities and their estimated standard deviations were taken as  $J_0/r$  and  $\sigma(J_0)/r$ , respectively. Typically, for reflexions having counting rates of 10,000 counts  $s^{-1}$ , the counting-loss correction, expressed as a fraction of the corrected intensity, was ca. 1-2% and, for intense reflexions with rates of ca. 100,000 counts  $s^{-1}$ , the correction was of the order of 20-40%.

### 1.5. SYSTEMATIC ERRORS: ABSORPTION, EXTINCTION AND MULTIPLE REFLEXION

When X-rays pass through solid matter they are absorbed, the amount of absorption depending on the material and the X-ray wavelength. The integrated intensity corrected for absorption,  $I_0'$ , is given by:

$$I_0' = I_0 V / \int \exp [-\mu (r_p + r_d)] dv \quad \dots (1.13)$$

where  $V$  is the crystal volume,  $\mu$  is the linear absorption coefficient, and  $r_p$  and  $r_d$  are the path lengths in the crystal along the primary and diffracted beams, respectively, for reflexion by the volume

element  $dv$ .<sup>6</sup>

The mass absorption coefficient is defined as  $\mu/\rho$ , where  $\rho$  is the density of the material. For a composite, homogeneous material, to a very good approximation,

$$\mu/\rho = \sum_i g_i (\mu/\rho)_i \quad \dots (1.14)$$

where the summation is over all the constituent elements, and  $g_i$  is the mass fraction contributed by the  $i$ th element. Hence, from a knowledge of the crystal composition and density, one can calculate  $\mu$ .

The integral in equation (1.13) can be evaluated numerically by Gaussian integration<sup>11</sup> or by the analytical method of de Meulenaer and Tompa.<sup>12</sup> For evaluation of the path lengths,  $r_p$  and  $r_d$ , the crystal faces must be indexed and crystal dimensions obtained. A suitable instrument for this purpose is a two-circle optical goniometer.

For heavy-metal complexes, significant X-ray absorption is expected. Consequently, one should calculate the magnitude of the correction for a representative sample of reflexions in order to determine whether or not to apply this correction to the complete set of intensities.

Another effect which reduces the observed intensities is extinction. Two types, primary and secondary, were defined by Darwin.<sup>13</sup> Primary extinction results from the reduction of the X-ray beam due to multiple reflexions as it passes through a crystal.

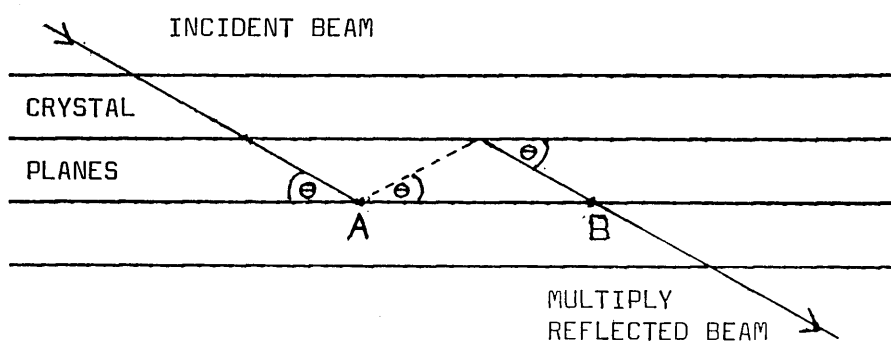


Fig. 1.1. Primary Extinction

In Figure 1.1. a reflected beam at A is at the correct angle for reflexion by the plane at B. On reflexion the phase of the reflected beam changes by  $90^\circ$ , so that the twice-reflected beam is  $180^\circ$  out of phase with the incident beam and destructive interference occurs. In general, a beam multiply reflected  $n$  times will be  $180^\circ$  out of phase from one reflected  $(n-2)$  times. The net result is that  $I_o$  is proportional to  $|F_o|$  rather than  $|F_o|^2$  for an ideally perfect crystal. However, most crystals can be considered to consist of small mosaic blocks tilted slightly with respect to each other, so that the perfect planes extend over only small regions within the crystal. In general,

$$I_o \propto |F_o|^n \quad \dots\dots (1.15)$$

where  $1 \leq n \leq 2$  and is usually closer to 2 for a mosaic crystal. Thus, for mosaic crystals, primary extinction effects are usually negligible.

Secondary extinction, which affects intense reflexions, is more commonly encountered. For strong reflexions, a significant proportion of the incident beam is reflected by the planes near the crystal surface so that deeper planes receive a diminished incident intensity and their contribution to the diffracted intensity is much less than it would otherwise have been. Darwin deduced that the observed intensities are related to the calculated intensities,  $I_c$ , by the equation:

$$I_o = I_c \cdot \exp(-2gI_c) \quad \dots\dots (1.16)$$

where  $g$  is a constant for the crystal at a particular wavelength. To a good approximation, this relationship can be reduced to:

$$I_c/I_o = 1 + 2gI_c \quad \dots (1.17)$$

Hence, from a plot of  $I_c/I_o$  versus  $I_c$ , an estimate of  $g$  can be obtained. The corrected intensity,  $\hat{I}_o$ , is then given by:

$$\hat{I}_o = I_o (1 + 2gI_c) \quad \dots (1.18)$$

Nowadays, it is common practice to include the extinction constant as a parameter in the least-squares refinement. Correction for secondary extinction was applied in two of the structural analyses described in this thesis. The procedure adopted was that of Larson<sup>14</sup> in which the correction is incorporated in the calculated structure amplitudes; the corrected amplitude,  $|F_c^*|$ , is given by:

$$|F_c^*| = |kF_c| (1 + 2r^* |F_c|^2 \delta)^{-1/4} \quad \dots (1.19)$$

Here,  $r^*$  is an extinction constant;  $\delta$  is given by:

$$\delta = \lambda^3 (e^2/mc^2V)^2 (p_2/p_1) \bar{T} / \sin 2\theta \quad \dots (1.20)$$

where  $\lambda$  is the X-ray wavelength;  $e^2/mc^2$  consists of universal constants;  $V$  is the crystal volume;  $\bar{T}$  is the mean path length in the crystal; and  $p_n$  is given<sup>15</sup> by:

$$p_n = 1 + \cos^{2n} 2\theta \quad \dots (1.21)$$

Another source of systematic error is multiple reflexion which is expected especially when a crystal is aligned about a symmetry axis.<sup>16</sup>

To minimise its effect on diffractometer data, the crystal should be offset so that its axes are not coincident with those of the diffractometer.

1.6. THE STRUCTURE FACTOR AND ELECTRON DENSITY

The structure factor of a reflexion,  $F(hkl)$ , which results from the scattering of the atoms in the unit cell, is given by:

$$F(hkl) = \sum_j f_j \exp [2\pi i (hx_j + ky_j + lz_j)] \dots (1.22)$$

where  $f_j$  and  $(x_j, y_j, z_j)$  are, respectively, the scattering factor and fractional co-ordinates of the  $j$ th atom. If anomalous scatterers are present in the crystal, a modified scattering factor,  $\hat{f}_j$ , is appropriate:

$$\hat{f}_j = f_j + \Delta f_j' + i \Delta f_j'' \dots (1.23)$$

Values of the primed quantities in the above expression are available for common X-ray wavelengths.<sup>6</sup>

The structure factor is characterised by an amplitude,  $|F_c|$ , and a phase angle,  $\alpha(hkl)$ :

$$|F_c| = (A^2 + B^2)^{1/2} \dots (1.24)$$

and

$$\alpha(hkl) = \tan^{-1} (B/A) \dots (1.25)$$

where

$$A = \sum_j f_j \cos 2 \pi (hx_j + ky_j + lz_j) \dots (1.26)$$

and

$$B = \sum_j f_j \sin 2 \pi (hx_j + ky_j + lz_j) \dots (1.27)$$

The scattering factors,  $f_j$ , have been computed, from various atomic wave-functions, for atoms at rest.<sup>6</sup> In a crystal, each atom is vibrating about its mean position: the appropriate scattering factor

is the product of  $f_j$  and  $q(hkl)$ , where  $q$  is the Fourier transform of the smearing function.<sup>17</sup> For isotropic vibration,

$$q(hkl) = \exp(-B\lambda^{-2} \sin^2\theta) \quad \dots\dots (1.28)$$

where the Debye factor,  $B$ , is related to the mean-square amplitude of vibration,  $\overline{u^2}$ , by:

$$B = 8\pi^2 \overline{u^2} \quad \dots\dots (1.29)$$

For anisotropic vibration, a number of equivalent expressions are in common use. Perhaps the most useful is:

$$q(hkl) = \exp\left[-2\pi^2 \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* h_i h_j\right] \quad \dots(1.30)$$

where  $a_i^*$  and  $h_i$  represent, respectively, the reciprocal cell constants and the Miller indices  $h$ ,  $k$  and  $l$ . It is customary to include the  $B$  or  $U_{ij}$  parameters in the least-squares refinement.

The atomic arrangement in a crystal is triperiodic and, as first suggested by W.H. Bragg,<sup>18</sup> the electron density distribution,  $\rho(x,y,z)$  can be represented by a Fourier series:

$$\rho(x,y,z) = V^{-1} \sum_h \sum_k \sum_l |F| \cos[2\pi(hx+ky+lz)-\alpha(hkl)] \quad \dots\dots (1.31)$$

Hence, all that is required for the calculation of the electron density distribution, from which atomic positions can be obtained, is a comprehensive set of structure amplitudes and corresponding phases. However, the diffraction experiment yields only structure amplitudes. Thus, the main problem encountered in structure analysis is the derivation of a set of correct or nearly correct phases.

There is a variety of methods available which can be employed in an

attempted solution of the phase problem; one such technique is the use of the Patterson function in conjunction with the heavy-atom method, and this is outlined in the next section. However, once an approximate structural model has been found a set of phases can be derived. If these calculated phases and associated structure amplitudes were incorporated in equation (1.31), the electron density distribution of the original model would be reproduced. When the calculated phases are combined with the observed structure factors, the resulting electron distribution should resemble that of the crystal more closely than did the original model.

1.7. THE PHASE PROBLEM: THE PATTERSON FUNCTION AND THE HEAVY ATOM METHOD

Although there is no general solution to the phase problem, the Patterson function is a particularly useful tool for the solution of heavy-atom structures. Thus, in 1934 Patterson<sup>19</sup> derived a function which yields information on interatomic vectors:

$$P(u,v,w) = \sum_h \sum_k \sum_l |F_o|^2 \cos 2 \pi(hu + kv + lw) \dots\dots(1.32)$$

A peak in the Patterson synthesis at the position (u,v,w) results from atoms with fractional co-ordinates (x<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>1</sub>, z<sub>1</sub>) and (x<sub>2</sub>, y<sub>2</sub>, z<sub>2</sub>) such that

$$u = x_1 - x_2 \dots\dots (1.33)$$

$$v = y_1 - y_2 \dots\dots (1.34)$$

$$w = z_1 - z_2 \dots\dots (1.35)$$

In general, for a cell with N atoms, there are N(N - 1)/2 distinct non-origin vector peaks. However, it is usually impossible to derive



atomic co-ordinates from this function unless at least one atom has a relatively high atomic number so that its vectors are easily resolvable from all the others. Furthermore, when the crystal possesses symmetry elements (other than a centre) particular concentrations of vector density arise, known as Harker lines and planes,<sup>20</sup> and these have at least one specialised co-ordinate: this can aid the identification of the heavy-atom peaks.

The heavy-atom thus located can be used to calculate an approximate set of phases which are then used in a Fourier synthesis, commonly employing  $|F_o| - |F_c|$  as coefficients, and this should reveal positions of some of the lighter atoms.

#### 1.8. REFINEMENT OF THE STRUCTURAL MODEL

The structural model is refined by an iterative process which involves locating some atoms, refining the structural parameters by a least-squares method, using the refined parameters to calculate a Fourier synthesis, and repeating the process until all the atoms have been located and the parameters have been refined. However, some or, indeed, all of the hydrogen atoms may not be located, particularly in a heavy-atom structure. In such a case, one can readily calculate positions for the hydrogen atoms in groups of known chemical structure, and include them in structure factor calculations.

The least-squares process involves minimising some function of the differences between the observed and calculated intensities with respect to the structural parameters  $p_1, \dots, p_n$ .<sup>6,14</sup> The function most commonly used is:

$$M = \sum_{r=1}^m w_r (|F_o| - |kF_c|)^2 = \sum_r w_r \Delta_r^2 \quad \dots\dots (1.36)$$

where the summation is over the set of m crystallographically-independent reflexions,  $w_r$  is a weight for each term, and k is a scaling parameter applied to  $|F_c|$  (rather than  $|F_o|$ ) for any single refinement cycle. For M to be a minimum,

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial p_j} = \sum_r w_r \Delta_r \frac{\partial |kF_c|}{\partial p_j} = 0 \quad (j = 1, \dots, n) \quad \dots\dots (1.37)$$

For an initial set of parameters,  $a_j$ , close to the correct values,  $p_j$ , to a good approximation, we have:

$$|kF_c(p_1, \dots, p_n)| = |kF_c(a_1, \dots, a_n)| + \Delta p_1 \frac{\partial |kF_c|}{\partial p_1} + \dots + \Delta p_n \frac{\partial |kF_c|}{\partial p_n} \quad \dots\dots (1.38)$$

where

$$\Delta p_j = p_j - a_j \quad \dots\dots (1.39)$$

Substitution of (1.38) into (1.37) yields n equations in n unknowns, termed the normal equations:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{r=1}^m w_r \frac{\partial |kF_c|}{\partial p_i} \cdot \frac{\partial |kF_c|}{\partial p_j} \Delta p_i = \sum_{r=1}^m w_r \Delta_r \frac{\partial |kF_c|}{\partial p_j} \quad (j = 1, \dots, n) \quad \dots\dots (1.40)$$

Analytical expressions for the derivatives are available.<sup>6</sup>

Solution of (1.40) by a numerical method provides values of  $\Delta p_i$ .<sup>21</sup> From these values one can determine better approximations,  $\hat{a}_j$ , to the correct values:

$$\hat{a}_j = a_j + \Delta p_j \quad \dots\dots (1.41)$$

However, since a truncated Taylor series was used, it is necessary to repeat the least-squares calculations until the shift in any parameter is small by comparison with its estimated standard deviation,  $\sigma(p_i)$ .

If the weights are on an absolute scale,  $\sigma(p_i)$  is given by:

$$\sigma^2(p_i) = b_{ii} \dots\dots (1.42)$$

or, when the weights are relative,

$$\sigma^2(p_i) = (m - n)^{-1} b_{ii} \sum_r w_r \Delta_r^2 \dots\dots (1.43)$$

where  $b_{ii}$  is the  $i$ th diagonal element of the inverse matrix obtained in the numerical solution of the normal equations. Weights on an approximately absolute scale can often be obtained from:

$$w_r = 1/\sigma^2(F_o) \dots\dots (1.44)$$

This weighting scheme is only formally valid if  $\sum_r w_r \Delta_r^2 / (m-n)$  is close to unity, indicating that the only significant errors are random experimental ones. In other cases, some function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\Delta$  is employed. For a weighting scheme to be satisfactory, mean values of  $w \Delta^2$  must be approximately constant when analysed in ranges of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin\theta$ .

A useful indication of the course of the refinement is given by the residuals:

$$R = \frac{\sum_r |\Delta_r|}{\sum_r |F_o|} \dots\dots (1.45)$$

and

$$R' = \left\{ \frac{\sum_r w_r \Delta_r^2}{\sum_r w_r |F_o|^2} \right\}^{1/2} \dots\dots (1.46)$$

For the most accurate analyses, typically the residuals have magnitudes of ca. 0.05 at the end of the refinement.

### 1.9. ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

From the refined structural parameters and their estimated errors values of functions such as bond lengths, bond angles and mean planes can be derived together with their standard deviations.<sup>22</sup> To interpret these values in a consistent way a variety of statistical significance tests can be employed. Consider, for example, bond length measurements. The probability,  $p$ , that a measured difference in bond length,  $\Delta$ , arises only from random error can be related to the standard deviation,  $\sigma$ , through Student's  $t$ -distribution:

$$\begin{array}{ll} p \geq 0.05 & \Delta \leq 1.645 \sigma \\ p \geq 0.01 & \Delta \leq 2.327 \sigma \\ p \geq 0.001 & \Delta \leq 3.090 \sigma \end{array}$$

The criteria most commonly employed are:

- (i) If  $p > 0.05$ , the difference is insignificant.
- (ii) If  $0.05 > p > 0.01$ , the difference may be significant.
- (iii) If  $0.01 > p$ , the difference is highly significant.

A fuller account of statistical methods is presented in Vol.II of

'International Tables for X-ray Crystallography.'<sup>6</sup>

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CHAPTER TWO

The Crystal and Molecular Structures of Five

Platinum Complexes: Platinum-Ligand Bonding

involving Carbon-Donor and Phosphine Ligands;

the Relative trans-Influence of Ligands and

the Possibility of a cis-Influence of

Carbon Monoxide.

## 2.1. THE TRANS-INFLUENCE OF LIGANDS

### 2.1.1. INTRODUCTION

The trans-effect in square-planar and octahedral complexes is defined as the effect of a co-ordinated group A upon the rate of substitution reactions of the group opposite to A. A wealth of kinetic data is available, particularly for platinum (II) derivatives. From this data, a trans-effect series has been derived which has proved very useful for rationalising known synthetic reactions and in devising new ones.<sup>1</sup>

In 1966, Pidcock, Richards, and Venanzi defined the trans-influence of a ligand in a metal complex as the extent to which it weakens the trans-metal-ligand bond in the equilibrium state of the complex.<sup>2</sup> Thus, they distinguished it clearly, for the first time, from the trans-effect, a kinetic phenomenon which may or may not be related to the trans-influence.

Many studies of the trans-influence phenomenon have now been carried out with the use of a variety of analytical techniques such as X-ray crystallography and vibrational, nuclear magnetic resonance, nuclear quadrupole resonance and photoelectron spectroscopy. The trans-influence has been observed in a host of square-planar and octahedral complexes and also in a few square-pyramidal complexes of transition metals.<sup>3</sup> It is the subject of a recent review.<sup>4</sup>

A brief account of experimental techniques and results, and theoretical treatments is presented in the following sections.

### 2.1.2. THEORETICAL TREATMENTS OF TRANS-INFLUENCE

The first theoretical rationalisation was the electrostatic theory



of Grinberg<sup>5</sup> which relates trans- influence to ligand polarisability. However, this electrostatic model is now generally considered implausible since in many complexes, such as those of platinum(II), the metal-ligand bonding has a high degree of covalency.<sup>6</sup>

A model involving the hybridisation of the metal ion was proposed by Syrkin.<sup>7</sup> In square-planar complexes of the third transition series, a metal ion uses hybrid orbitals composed of the  $5d_{x^2-y^2}$ ,  $6s$ ,  $6p_x$  and  $6p_y$  orbitals. The relative order of the orbital energies is  $5d \approx 6s < 6p$ . It was considered that, if a ligand L forms a strong covalent bond with a metal ion, the M-L bond has a higher proportion of metal  $5d$  and  $6s$  orbitals. Since L and the trans-ligand A share the same 's+d' hybrid orbital (Figure 2.1), the weakening of the M-A bond is attributed to a decreased involvement of the metal  $5d$  and  $6s$  orbitals in that bond. The cis-ligands use a nearly independent 's-d' hybrid orbital and are affected only slightly.

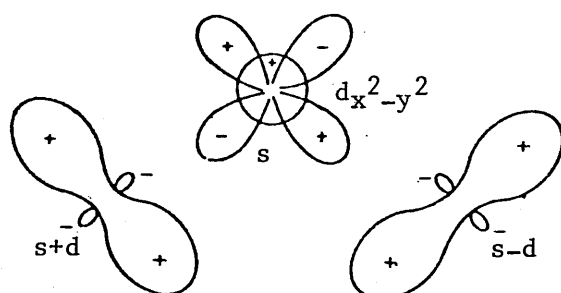


Figure 2.1. Syrkin's 's+d' hybrid orbitals

In the 1950's and early 1960's emphasis was placed on metal-ligand  $\pi$ -backbonding when considering the stability of metal complexes with ligands such as ethylene, carbon monoxide and phosphine. In addition,

the high trans-effect of  $\pi$ -acid ligands was attributed to stabilisation of the transition state by  $\pi$ -backbonding. It was noted that a metal-phosphorus bond is weaker when trans to a phosphine than when trans to chloride: this was attributed to competition between the phosphines for metal  $d_{\pi}$  electrons. However, in 1966 Pidcock, Richards and Venanzi<sup>2</sup> asserted that a rationalisation of Pt-P bond strengths in terms of  $\sigma$ -bonding was more appropriate. Thus, they considered that trialkyl-phosphine has a strong  $\sigma$ -inductive effect which leads to trans-bond weakening and that the effect of Pt-P  $\pi$ -bonding on the Pt-P  $\sigma$ -bonds is insignificant. They supported their conclusions with coupling constant data for related platinum(II) and platinum(IV) complexes (Sec. 2.1.3.(b)).

In recent years, theoretical treatments of metal-ligand bonding have emphasised the maximising of metal-ligand overlap. Thus, Randić examined the bonding in square-planar complexes using hybrid orbitals composed of the  $3s$ ,  $3p_x$ ,  $3p_y$ ,  $3d_{x^2-y^2}$  and  $3d_{z^2}$  metal orbitals.<sup>8</sup> He showed that the  $3d_{z^2}$  orbital has only a very small contribution to the metal-ligand overlap. Furthermore, when  $\mu\rho$  is large,  $\mu$  being the effective metal atomic charge and  $\rho$  the internuclear distance, the contribution to the total overlap is in the order  $p_{\sigma} > s > d_{x^2-y^2}$ . If a strong covalent metal-ligand bond is formed such that  $\mu\rho$  is large, the M-L bond contains a higher proportion of  $p_{\sigma}$  character than the trans-M-A bond, whereas if  $\mu\rho$  is small, s-character is increased in the M-L bond at the expense of that in the M-A bond. Unfortunately, these results cannot be extrapolated reliably to platinum(II) complexes where  $5d_{x^2-y^2}$ ,  $6s$  and  $6p$  metal hybrid orbitals are involved.

Mason and co-workers<sup>9</sup> considered that the magnitude of the quantity  $S^2/\Delta E$  could be used as a measure of the trans-influencing ability

of a ligand L;  $S$  is the overlap integral between the metal  $p_{\sigma}$  orbital and the appropriate ligand orbital, and  $\Delta E$  is the difference in energy of these orbitals, which is related to the Pauling electronegativity of the donor atom of L. They showed that both the relative metal-ligand  $\sigma$ -overlap integrals and the relative ligand  $\sigma$ -orbital energies reproduce the trends of the trans-influencing ability of ligands deduced from observed bond lengths in square-planar platinum(II) complexes in which the trans ligand (chloride) has negligible  $\pi$ -acidity. A corresponding, though less satisfactory, ordering of trans-influencing ability for ligands in a variety of octahedral  $d^6$  metal complexes confirmed the usefulness of this view. The conclusion that platinum  $6p_{\sigma}$  character is enhanced in the platinum-ligand bond for ligands of high trans-influence is the reverse of that of Syrkin.

In the above study relatively high trans-influence was predicted for  $\pi$ -acceptor ligands such as ethylene and carbon monoxide which are found to have low trans-influence. This led to the suggestion that for such ligands the  $\sigma$ -inductive effect is partially cancelled by competition between the Lewis acid and the trans ligand for excess charge in the metal.<sup>9</sup>

Zumdahl and Drago<sup>10</sup> made a detailed study, using an extended Hückel molecular orbital method, of the trans-influence of the ligands L in the series trans- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{L})\text{NH}_3]$ , where L is  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ ,  $\text{PH}_3$ ,  $\text{H}^-$  and  $\text{CH}_3^-$ . They concluded that the weakening of the Pt-N bond is due to diminished interaction of the nitrogen atom with the platinum  $6s$  and  $5d_{x^2-y^2}$  orbitals (as in Syrkin's theory). The changes they observed in the energy and population of the Pt-N bond are consistent with the experimental order of trans-influence

for ligands similar to L. In addition, they concluded that Pt-P  $\pi$ -backbonding is energetically insignificant for the  $\text{PH}_3$  ligand, and they predicted that in the series of complexes the cis-Pt-Cl bonds would be weakened in the same manner as and to an extent comparable with that of the Pt-N bond weakening. However, most studies have indicated that the trans-influence of a ligand is, in general, much greater than any cis-influence it may possess.<sup>4</sup>

In conclusion, it is clear that a metal ion undergoes a rehybridisation of its orbitals when it forms a strong covalent bond with a ligand. However, the various theoretical treatments outlined above do not present a consistent account of the type of metal orbital which participates in the M-L bond at the expense of the M-A (trans to L) bond.

### 2.1.3. EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES

#### (a) Vibrational Spectroscopy

The relative trans-influence of a ligand can be inferred from vibrational stretching frequencies: a decrease in a force constant is attributed to a weakening of the bond involved. However, force constants are often not available and vibrational stretching frequencies are used instead.

A number of complicating factors must be considered in the interpretation of this data:

- (i) as the mass of L increases the effective mass of the  $\text{ML}_n$  grouping increases and  $\nu(\text{M-A})$  decreases;
- (ii) coupling can occur between molecular vibrations;

- (iii) lattice effects can produce band splitting and give rise to frequencies not observed in solution;
- (iv) for a charged metal complex, frequencies can be influenced by the nature of the counter-ion; and
- (v) hydrogen bonding can affect the stretching frequencies.

Despite these complexities, numerous studies have been made of trans-influence using infra-red data. In particular, attention has centred on platinum(II) and platinum(IV) complexes using, for the most part, platinum-chlorine and -bromine stretching frequencies. Other indicators that have been employed include M-CH<sub>3</sub>, M-H and M-P stretching frequencies, and internal ligand vibrations of groupings such as N-H(amine), CO, CN and CH<sub>3</sub>.<sup>4</sup>

From the vibrational frequencies, orders of relative trans-influence for a variety of ligands and metal ions have been derived. For example,  $\nu(\text{Pt-Cl})$  data for the series trans-[PtXClL<sub>2</sub>] (L = PEt<sub>3</sub> or PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph) lead to the trans-influence order for ligands X: CO  $\leq$  t-BuNC  $\leq$  Cl<sup>-</sup>  $\leq$  p-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NC  $\leq$  P(OPh)<sub>3</sub>  $\approx$  P(OMe)<sub>3</sub>  $\ll$  PPh<sub>3</sub>  $\leq$  PEt<sub>3</sub>  $\ll$  CH<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>  $\leq$  Ph<sup>-</sup>  $\leq$  H<sup>-</sup>  $\ll$  SiMe<sub>2</sub>Ph<sup>-</sup>.<sup>11</sup> Some idea of the physical significance of trans-influence can be drawn from the wide range of the stretching frequencies for these ligands, namely 242 to 344 cm<sup>-1</sup>; the order of increasing trans-influence is that of decreasing frequency.

(b) Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy.

Pidcock, Richards, and Venanzi<sup>2</sup> related the variation of <sup>1</sup>J(Pt-P) coupling constants to the Fermi contact term which is believed to be predominant in such couplings.<sup>2,12</sup> To a good approximation, for

the covalent component of a Pt-P bond, the coupling constant is given by:

$$J(\text{Pt-P}) \propto \gamma_{\text{Pt}} \gamma_{\text{P}} \alpha_{\text{Pt}}^2 \alpha_{\text{P}}^2 |\psi_{\text{Pt}}(6s)(0)|^2 |\psi_{\text{P}}(3s)(0)|^2 ({}^3\Delta E)^{-1} \dots\dots(2.1)$$

where  $\gamma_i$  is the magnetogyric ratio for nucleus  $i$ ,  $\alpha_i^2$  is the s-character of the bonding hybrid orbital used by atom  $i$  in the Pt-P bond,  $|\psi_i(ns)(0)|^2$  is the electron density of the  $ns$  valence orbital at nucleus  $i$ , and  ${}^3\Delta E$  is a mean singlet-triplet excitation energy.

From the Pt-P couplings in the cis- and trans-isomers of the  $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{Bu}_3\text{P})_2]$  and  $[\text{PtCl}_4(\text{Bu}_3\text{P})_2]$  complexes, Pidcock et al.<sup>2</sup> inferred that any synergic effect of Pt-P  $d_\pi-d_\pi$  bonding on the Pt(II)-P  $\sigma$ -bonding is insignificant. Thus, the ratio  $J(\text{Pt-P})$  (cis isomer)/ $J(\text{Pt-P})$  (trans isomer) is very similar for the platinum(II) and platinum(IV) derivatives although platinum  $\rightarrow$  ligand  $\pi$ -bonding is expected to be of lesser importance in the higher oxidation state. In addition, from the Pt(II)-Cl bond lengths, they deduced that trialkylphosphine and hydride ligands have greater trans-influence than chloride and they attributed this to an inductive effect operating through the  $\sigma$ -molecular framework.

Later studies of, for example, trialkylphosphine,<sup>13</sup> phosphite and phosphonate<sup>14</sup> derivatives strengthened the belief that Pt-P coupling constants are determined mainly by the covalency and the s-character of the Pt-P bonds, and that the couplings are more sensitive to changes in the trans than the cis ligand; a few cases were found, however, of significant variations in the coupling constants upon

change of cis-ligands.<sup>15</sup>

From this spectroscopic data, orders of relative trans-influence have been derived; to this end, it is assumed that a reduction of  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants indicates Pt-P bond weakening. Thus, for example, Allen and Sze combined several sets of results to obtain the trans-influence series  $\text{SiMePh}_2^- > \text{Ph}^- > \text{Me}^- \gg \text{PEt}_3, \text{PBU}_3^n > \text{PMe}_2\text{Ph} > \text{PPh}_3 > \text{P(OPh)}_3, \text{CN}^- > \text{AsEt}_3 > \text{NO}_2^- > \text{p-toluidine} > \text{EtNH}_2 > \text{Et}_2\text{NH} > \text{pyridine}, \text{N}_3^-, \text{NCO}^-, \text{NCS}^- > \text{Cl}^-, \text{Br}^-, \text{I}^- > \text{NO}_3^-$ .<sup>16</sup>

Of especial interest are the correlations found in related complexes in which phosphonate, methyl and hydride ligands are, in turn, trans to a variety of anionic ligands. Thus, Allen *et al.*<sup>14</sup> observed a dependence of  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})(\text{phosphonato})$  on the trans ligand  $\text{X}^-$  in the complexes  $\text{trans-}[\text{PtX}\{(\text{PhO})_2\text{PO}\}(\text{PBU}_3^n)_2]$  and noted a linear correlation between these coupling constants and  $^2J(\text{Pt-Me})$  constants in related  $\text{trans-}[\text{PtXMe}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]$  complexes. Church and Mays observed that the variations in  $^1J(\text{Pt-H})$  constants with the trans-ligand in the cations  $\text{trans-}[\text{PtHL}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]^+$  paralleled those in  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants.<sup>17</sup> In addition, various authors have noted essentially linear correlations between  $^2J(\text{Pt-Me})$  and  $^1J(\text{Pt-H})$  constants within related series of complexes.<sup>18</sup> The above correlations may be taken as evidence that the variations in  $^1J(\text{Pt-H})$ ,  $^2J(\text{Pt-Me})$  and  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  couplings are dominated by changes in the metal-ligand s-orbital bond order.

Another correlation that is of considerable import is that suggested between  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  constants and Pt-P bond lengths in square-planar platinum(II) complexes containing monotertiary phosphine ligands.<sup>19</sup> This relationship is expected to be valid if variations other than in

the total molecular orbital bond order between the platinum and phosphorus valence state s-orbitals are insignificant. However, the correlation curve is not accurately defined and, in particular, the shorter Pt-P bonds display marked deviations from the general trend. This suggests that factors other than the s-orbital bond order may determine the Fermi contact term (equation 2.1) in some cases. Alternatively, electronic effects (such as M→P π-bonding) or steric influences may be present; unfortunately, the n.m.r. method does not monitor these directly.

(c) X-Ray Crystallography

The most straightforward measure of bond strength and, hence, of trans-influence appears to be the length of a given metal-ligand bond. Measurement of a bond length can, of course, be achieved in a single-crystal X-ray study. However, there has been much less recourse to this method than to the spectroscopic techniques, largely because of the often considerable experimental and computational effort that is required.

X-ray studies of trans-influence have dealt largely with metal complexes containing σ-donor ligands. Thus, for example, McWeeny et al.<sup>9</sup> examined the molecular structures of a number of square-planar platinum(II) complexes in which the ligands trans to chloride have negligible π-acidity. From Pt(II)-Cl bond lengths, they derived the order of trans-influence  $R_3Si^- > H^- > R_3P > R_2C=CR_2, Cl^- > O(acac)$ . Mason and Towl, in a study of trans-influence in octahedral  $d^6$  metal complexes (including some of platinum(IV)), noted a lack of



adequate structural data.<sup>9</sup> To circumvent this problem they proposed that the relative lengthening of a given M-A bond, expressed as a fraction of the bond length when trans to A itself (or as a fraction of the sum of the covalent radii of M and A), be used as a measure of the trans-influence of a ligand trans to A. They found a high degree of correlation between the trans-influence order obtained from bond length data and that obtained from metal-ligand  $S^2/\Delta E$  ratios. Nevertheless, there are drawbacks to the use of indicator groups: it has been remarked that some caution is required in the application of this method if the ligands A have relatively high trans-influence or can exhibit  $\pi$ -bonding properties.<sup>4</sup>

The present author has contributed significantly to a recently undertaken and continuing research project.<sup>3</sup> A Departmental group has set out to obtain, by single-crystal X-ray methods, accurate structural information on closely related complexes which is relevant to the following topics:

- (i) the bonding of carbon-donor ligands to platinum ions;
- (ii) the relative trans-influence of such ligands; and
- (iii) the relative importance of inductive and mesomeric mechanisms of trans-influence.

Prior to this work, it was not possible to assess with any confidence the relative contributions of these mechanisms, for ligands capable of  $\pi$ -bonding to a metal, due to lack of adequate structural data.

To date, effort has been concentrated on monomeric, electroneutral, square-planar complexes of platinum(II); these derivatives contain a linear C-Pt-Cl arrangement and unidentate ligands.<sup>3</sup> Moreover,

the ligands that have been examined are such that a wide variety of  $\sigma$ -donor- $\pi$ -acceptor properties is displayed.

More recently, attention has been directed at platinum(II) complexes containing phosphine ligands which have a variety of electronegative substituents.<sup>20</sup> Interest lies in the nature of the Pt-P bonding ( $\sigma$ - and  $\pi$ -interactions), the proposed relationship<sup>19</sup> between Pt-P bond lengths and  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants, and the relative trans-influence of substituted phosphine ligands.

An account of this work detailing, in particular, the present author's contribution is presented in the ensuing sections.

## 2.2 THE cis-INFLUENCE OF LIGANDS

There are relatively few studies reported of cis-influence. The most important works appear to be as follows.<sup>21</sup>

(i) In a Raman study of the anions  $[\text{PtCl}_3(\text{NH}_3)]^-$  and  $[\text{PtCl}_3(\text{CO})]^-$ , Denning and Ware deduced that in the carbonyl derivative strengthening of the Pt-Cl(cis to CO) bond is as important as the weakening of the Pt-Cl(trans to CO) bond. They attributed this cis-influence to an increased positive charge on the platinum atom due to electron withdrawal via  $\pi$ -bonding to carbon monoxide.

(ii) Allen and Sze obtained the order of cis-influence  $\text{CN}^-$ ,  $\text{I}^- > \text{NCS}^-$ ,  $\text{Br}^- > \text{NCO}^-$ ,  $\text{Cl}^- > \text{N}_3^- > \text{NO}_2^- > \text{NO}_3^-$  from  $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants in the series trans- $[\text{PtHX}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]$ , trans- $[\text{PtMeX}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]$  and trans- $[\text{Pt}\{(\text{PhO})_2\text{PO}\}\text{X}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]$  ( $\text{X} = \text{CN}^-$ , ...,  $\text{NO}_3^-$ ). In addition, from  $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-P})$  values in the series: cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2\text{L}(\text{PBu}_3^n)]$ , they derived the cis-influence order  $(\text{PhO})_3\text{P} > (\text{MeO})_3\text{P} > \text{PPh}_3 > \text{PMePh}_2 > \text{PBu}_3^n$ ,  $\text{PEt}_3$ .

(iii) An inverse correlation was found in platinum(II) complexes between  $^{35}\text{Cl}$  nuclear quadrupole resonance frequencies and the lengths of the Pt-Cl bonds. Although the frequency is observed to be more sensitive to variation of the trans-ligand, a small dependence on the cis-ligand was noted. Furthermore, from  $^{35}\text{Cl}$  n.q.r. frequencies in trans- $[\text{PdCl}_2\text{L}_2]$  derivatives a cis-influence series was obtained: piperidine  $<$  pyridine  $<$   $\text{AsBu}_3^n$   $<$   $\text{PBu}_3^n$   $<$  dimethyl sulphoxide  $<$  EtCN  $<$  PhCN. For the analogous platinum(II) complexes the corresponding order obtained was  $\text{NH}_3 <$   $\text{Me}_2\text{NH} <$  pyridine  $<$   $\text{PEt}_3 <$   $\text{PBu}_3^n <$   $\text{PBu}_2^n\text{Ph}$ .

(iv) There are few pertinent crystallographic results. However, in Sec. 2.3.3 structural data are presented on two platinum(II) complexes:

these are related to a cis-influence of carbon monoxide.

After the completion of the experimental work detailed in this thesis, Manojlović-Muir, Muir and Solomun extended the crystallographic study of cis-influence with additional data on complexes of the type cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{PEt}_3)\text{L}]$ .<sup>22</sup> They derived the order of cis-influence of the ligands L :  $\text{Cl}^- < \text{C}(\text{NPhCH}_2)_2 \approx \text{CNPh} \approx \text{C}(\text{OEt})(\text{NHPH}) < \text{PEt}_3 \approx \text{CO} \approx \text{P}(\text{OPh})_3 \approx \text{PF}_3$ ; this order is that of increasing Pt-P distances.

2.3. THE CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURES OF THE PLATINUM(II) CARBONYL COMPLEXES cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)L], L = PPh<sub>3</sub> (I) AND PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph (II).

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2.3.1. INTRODUCTION

The chemistry and spectroscopic properties of platinum(II) carbonyl complexes have been investigated at length.<sup>23</sup> However, only a few X-ray structural analyses of mononuclear platinum(II)-carbonyl derivatives have been reported and the results are of low or unstated accuracy.<sup>24-27</sup> To obtain detailed information on the nature of the platinum(II) carbonyl bonding and on the relative trans-influence of carbon monoxide, an accurate structural analysis of the complex cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)], (I), was undertaken. Prior to this work Muir and Manojlović-Muir, from structural studies of platinum(II) complexes, derived the  $\pi$ -acidity series  $\sigma$ -carbyl < carbene < isocyanide and noted that this was an exact reversal of the corresponding trans-influence order.<sup>3</sup> The opportunity of studying the relatively stronger  $\pi$ -acid ligand carbon monoxide was, therefore, welcomed.

It was also anticipated that the structural data would permit an assessment of the cis-influence, if any, of carbon monoxide. In this connection structural and spectroscopic data are of especial interest. Thus, the Pt-P distances (2.34 and 2.35 Å) in trans-[PtCl(CO)-(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> are slightly longer than the usual values (2.27 - 2.32 Å) for Pt(II)-P(trans to P) bonds.<sup>28</sup> Moreover, Pt(II)-Cl(trans to Cl) distances are normally close to 2.31 Å but in trans-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)-(ONC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OMe)] the Pt-Cl bond lengths are 2.25(3) and 2.26(3) Å.<sup>28, 25</sup> Furthermore, spectroscopic data for cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>L(PEt<sub>3</sub>)] complexes, where L is a neutral ligand, indicate that the Pt-P bond is weakest and the Pt-Cl bonds are strongest when L is carbon monoxide.

The  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants (Hz) are: 2754, L = CO; 3049, L = CNPh; and 3520, L =  $\text{PEt}_3$ .<sup>29,30</sup> The mean  $\nu(\text{Pt-Cl})$  stretching frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) are: 330, L = CO; 307, L = CNPh; and 294, L =  $\text{PEt}_3$ .<sup>29,31</sup>

The X-ray analysis of (I) confirmed the conclusions drawn from the spectroscopic and structural data given above. However, it was not possible to distinguish unambiguously between alternative rationalisations of the metal-ligand bond lengths: one involving steric and electronic properties of the triphenylphosphine, the other stipulating a cis-influence of carbon monoxide. With the aim of resolving this ambiguity, the accurate X-ray analysis of cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{CO})(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})]$  (II) was undertaken.

A full account of the analysis of (I) has been published<sup>32</sup> and a report of the structural analysis of the analogous complex cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{CO})(\text{PEt}_3)]$ , (III), has appeared recently.<sup>22</sup>

2.3.2. EXPERIMENTAL

Crystal Data

Molecule		(I)	(II)
Formula		$C_{19}H_{15}Cl_2OPPt$	$C_9H_{11}Cl_2OPPt$
Molecular weight	M (a.m.u.)	556.3	432.2
Crystal system	-	Triclinic	Orthorhombic
Unit-cell constants	a (Å)	10.4822(9)	15.8515(12)
	b (Å)	9.5929(7)	7.5296(8)
	c (Å)	11.0065(8)	10.6843(11)
	$\alpha$ (°)	97.57(1)	--
	$\beta$ (°)	117.96(1)	--
	$\gamma$ (°)	93.80(1)	--
	Temperature	T (°C)	20
Unit-cell volume	U (Å <sup>3</sup> )	958.6	1275.2
Number of formula units per cell	Z	2	4
Calculated density	$D_c$ (gm cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.927	2.251
Number of electrons per unit-cell	F(000)	528	800
Wavelength of X-radiation	$\lambda$ (Mo-K $_{\alpha}$ ) (Å)	0.71069	0.71069
Linear absorption coefficient	$\mu$ (Mo-K $_{\alpha}$ ) (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	80.6	120.8
Space group	--	$P\bar{1}$	$P2_1^2_1^2_1$

Crystallographic Measurements. - Complex (I). The crystals are air-stable, transparent plates. The specimen chosen for the analysis displayed all members of the {100}, {010}, and {001} forms, and the perpendicular distances between parallel faces were 0.40, 0.24 and 0.09 mm.

The crystal system and some of the unit-cell parameters were obtained from rotation and Weissenberg photographs. The crystal specimen was then centred on a Hilger and Watts<sup>9</sup> Y290 four-circle diffractometer, controlled by a PDP8 computer, and offset to minimise the effects of multiple reflexion.<sup>33</sup> A preliminary orientation matrix was derived from the manually-optimised setting angles of two strong low-angle reflexions. The final values of the dimensions of a triclinic cell and the orientation matrix used for the collection of the intensity data were derived by a least-squares treatment of the setting angles of twelve reflexions having a wide range of  $\chi$  and  $\phi$  values and suitable Bragg angles (typically,  $13^\circ \leq \theta \leq 20^\circ$ ).<sup>34a</sup> The space group  $P\bar{1}$  led to a satisfactory structural model.

Complex (II). The crystals are white, air-stable needles elongated along the  $c$ -axis. The specimen used in the analysis displayed all members of the {001} and {210} forms, and the perpendicular distances between parallel faces were 0.52, 0.11 and 0.08 mm.

The crystal system and unit-cell dimensions were obtained from rotation and Weissenberg photographs. The systematically-absent reflexions,  $h00$  when  $h = 2n + 1$ ,  $0k0$  when  $k = 2n + 1$ , and  $00l$  when  $l = 2n + 1$ , restrict the space group uniquely to  $P2_1^2 2_1^2 2_1^2$ . The crystal specimen was centred on the Y290 diffractometer and offset to minimise



the effects of multiple reflexion. The final values of the cell dimensions were obtained by a least-squares method.<sup>34b</sup>

Intensity Measurements. - Complex (I). The intensities of all independent reflexions with  $\theta(\text{Mo-K}\alpha) \leq 30^\circ$  were measured on the Y290 diffractometer with the use of zirconium-filtered molybdenum radiation and a pulse-height analyser. The  ~~$\theta-2\theta$~~  scan technique was employed, with a scan step in  $2\theta$  of  $0.04^\circ$  and a counting time per step of 2.5s. Each reflexion was scanned from  $2\hat{\theta}-0.6^\circ$  to  $2\hat{\theta}+0.6^\circ$ , where  $2\hat{\theta}$  is the calculated Mo-K $\alpha$  peak position. At each end of the scan range, the local background was counted for 10s with crystal and counter stationary. To check crystal and electronic stability, the intensities of three intense low-angle reflexions from diverse areas of reciprocal space were remeasured periodically throughout the experiment, but only random fluctuations of up to  $\pm 5\%$  of their mean values were observed.

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ , were derived using standard relationships described earlier in the text;<sup>35</sup> a value of 0.04 was assigned to the empirical factor  $q$ . They were scaled according to the variations in intensity of the three standard reflexions and corrected for Lorentz, polarisation and counting-loss effects.<sup>35,36</sup> An absorption correction was also applied using a Gaussian integration grid of  $12 \times 12 \times 14$  points.<sup>37</sup> The transmission factors on  $|F_0|$  ranged from 0.41 to 0.72.

Of 5618 reflexions measured, only 4198 for which  $I \geq 3 \sigma(I)$  were used in subsequent calculations.

Complex (II). The intensities of all independent reflexions with  $\theta(\text{Mo-K}\alpha) \leq 35^\circ$  were measured on the Y290 instrument with the use of graphite-monochromated molybdenum radiation and a pulse-height analyser. The  $\theta$ - $2\theta$  scan technique was employed. Each reflexion was scanned through a  $2\theta$  range of  $1.2^\circ$ , with a scan step in  $2\theta$  of  $0.04^\circ$ , and a counting time of 2.5s. The local background was counted for 15s at each end of the scan range. The intensities of three strong reflexions, remeasured periodically throughout the experiment, varied by less than  $\pm 4\%$  of their mean values.

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ , were obtained using relationships referenced above ( $q \ 0.04$ ). They were corrected for Lorentz, polarisation, counting-loss and absorption effects. The transmission factors on  $|F_o|$ , calculated by Gaussian integration, varied between 0.46 and 0.63.

Of 3172 reflexions measured, only 2390 with  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$  were used in the subsequent calculations.

Structure Analysis. - In both analyses, the position of the platinum atom was derived from a Patterson synthesis and the other non-hydrogen atoms were located in subsequent difference syntheses.

The structural models were refined by the method of full-matrix least-squares. The function minimised was  $\sum w \Delta^2$ , where  $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$  and  $\Delta = |F_o| - |F_c|$ . Atomic scattering factors were taken from ref. 38 except those of platinum<sup>39</sup> and hydrogen.<sup>40</sup> Allowance was made for the anomalous scattering of the platinum, chlorine and phosphorus atoms using Cromer's values of  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$ .<sup>41</sup>

Complex (I). The refinement of the scale factor and of the positional and isotropic thermal parameters of the platinum atom led to R 0.28. After the other non-hydrogen atoms were included, oxygen and carbon atoms with isotropic temperature factors and all the remaining atoms with anisotropic temperature factors, R decreased to 0.09. The carbon and oxygen atoms of the carbonyl group were then assigned anisotropic thermal parameters. The positions of the hydrogen atoms were determined from those of the phenyl carbon atoms, assuming a C-H distance of 1.0 Å; the scattering of these atoms was allowed for in subsequent structure factor calculations but their positions were not varied. The refinement converged at R 0.037 and R<sup>w</sup> 0.041. In the last cycle of refinement all parameters shifted by < 0.1σ. The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight, S.D., was 1.3. The mean values of  $(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \sigma^2(F_o)$  showed no systematic trends when analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin\theta$ , indicating that the weighting scheme was satisfactory. The extreme function values in the final difference synthesis (1.7 and -1.1 eÅ<sup>-3</sup>) were associated with the positions of the platinum and C(24) atoms, respectively. Extinction corrections did not appear necessary.

Complex (II). The refinement of the scale factor and of the positional and isotropic vibrational parameters of the platinum atom led to R 0.19. After the remaining non-hydrogen atoms were included with isotropic thermal parameters, R decreased to 0.10. The platinum, chlorine and phosphorus atoms, and the carbon and oxygen atoms of the carbonyl group were then assigned anisotropic thermal parameters: R decreased to 0.064. In all subsequent calculations, the data corrected for absorption effects were employed. In addition, the positions of all non-methyl hydrogen atoms were inferred and the scattering of

these atoms was allowed for in subsequent structure factor calculations but the positional parameters were not varied. The refinement of the structural model converged at R 0.037 and R<sup>\*</sup> 0.044. With no increase in the number of structural parameters, the enantiomeric model was refined. This refinement converged at R 0.053 and R<sup>\*</sup> 0.068; Hamilton's R-ratio test indicates that these represent highly significant increases.<sup>42</sup> Accordingly, the original structural model was assumed to represent correctly the absolute configuration of the molecules in the crystal. Examination of the structure factor discrepancies of low-angle reflexions indicated that moderate extinction effects were present. Accordingly, a secondary extinction parameter, r\*, was included in the refinement;<sup>43</sup> convergence was achieved at R 0.036 and R<sup>\*</sup> 0.043. In the final cycle of least-squares all parameters shifted by less than 0.3 $\sigma$ . The value of r\* was 6.8(5)  $\times 10^{-3}$  deg<sup>-1</sup> and that of S.D. 1.5. The mean values of  $(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 / \sigma^2(F_o)$  showed no systematic trend when analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin\theta$ . The extreme function values in the final difference synthesis ranged from 2.1 to -1.7 e $\text{\AA}^{-3}$ ; all peaks outwith the range  $\pm 1.1$  e $\text{\AA}^{-3}$  were associated with the position of the platinum atom. The methyl hydrogen atoms were not located.

The observed and final calculated structure amplitudes are listed in the Appendix [pp. 1 to 32,(I), and 33 to 52,(II)]. Final atomic parameters and a selection of derived functions are presented in Tables 2.1 - 2.6. Views of the molecular structures are shown and the atomic numbering schemes are indicated in Figs. 2.2 and 2.3.

The computer programs used were the Hilger and Watts' software package for the Y290 diffractometer, the cell reduction program of K.W. Muir, J.G. Sime's data processing program, the counting-loss

correction program of K.W. Muir and R. Walker, J.M. Stewart's  
'X-ray '70 System,' the RBL2 full-matrix least-squares program  
of P.K. Gantzel, R.A. Sparks, K.N. Trueblood, D.N.J. White, P.D. Cradwick,  
S.E.V. Phillips, and P.R. Mallinson, the ORFFE program of W.R. Busing,  
K.O. Martin, and H.A. Levy, and C.K. Johnson's ORTEP.

### 2.3.3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The crystals of both structures are built of discrete monomeric molecules. Calculation of all intermolecular distances  $\leq 4.0 \text{ \AA}$  indicated that the interactions between molecules are of the van der Waals type (Tables 2.3 and 2.4(d)).<sup>44</sup>

The Co-ordination of the Metal Atoms. - The molecules in both structures have the expected cis-square-planar configuration.

The orientation of the phosphine ligand is such that an  $\alpha$ -carbon atom [C(31) in (I) and C(11) in (II)] lies close to the co-ordination plane of the metal atom, near to the carbonyl group: relevant torsion angles are C(1)-Pt-P-C(31)  $2.7(3)^\circ$  in (I) and C(1)-Pt-P-C(11)  $8.2(5)^\circ$  in (II). Furthermore, there are a number of short intramolecular contacts involving carbon and chlorine atoms. Thus, in (I) there is a separation of  $3.34 \text{ \AA}$  between a  $\beta$ -carbon, C(16), and a chlorine atom, Cl(2). The resulting Cl(2)···H distance of ca.  $2.55 \text{ \AA}$  is shorter by  $0.45 \text{ \AA}$  than the sum of the van der Waals radii of hydrogen ( $1.2 \text{ \AA}$ ) and chlorine ( $1.8 \text{ \AA}$ ),<sup>44</sup> and the C(16)-H···Cl(2) angle is  $147^\circ$ : a weak hydrogen bond is indicated.<sup>45</sup> In (II) the methyl carbon···chlorine separations C(2)···Cl(2)  $3.42 \text{ \AA}$  and C(3)···Cl(2)  $3.62 \text{ \AA}$  suggest a weak interaction although this conclusion is not certain since the methyl hydrogen atoms were not located.

The non-bonded intramolecular contacts involving carbonyl and phenyl atoms, namely, C(1)···C(31) and C(1)···C(32) in (I), and C(1)···C(11) in (II) [ $3.06$ ,  $3.14$  and  $3.11 \text{ \AA}$ , respectively] indicate steric strain in the molecules of (I) and (II). The distortions of the metal co-ordination planes from ideal square-planar geometry can best be attributed to ligand-ligand repulsions, particularly those involving the carbonyl and bulky phosphine ligands; as expected, the

distortions are greater in (I) where a phosphine of greater steric bulk is present.<sup>46</sup> Thus, the P-Pt-C(1) angle departs from 90° by 4.6° in (I) and 3.9° in (II); the corresponding deviations of the C(1)-Pt-Cl(1) angle are -3.2 and -2.0°, respectively. The C(1)-Pt-Cl(2) angle is only 173.5(2)° in (I) but is more nearly regular in (II), being 178.0(3)°. Similar distortions are found in the complex cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CNEt)(PEt<sub>2</sub>Ph)].<sup>47</sup> In addition, as is often found in square-planar platinum(II) complexes, there are small but significant displacements of the platinum and ligand donor atoms from the metal co-ordination plane (Tables 2.5 and 2.6):<sup>47</sup> individual atoms are displaced by up to ± 0.04 Å in (I) and ± 0.02 Å in (II). The carbonyl oxygen atoms have displacements from these planes of -0.16Å and -0.02Å in (I) and (II), respectively.

The Geometry of the Phosphine Ligands. - The phosphine ligands display no unexpected features.<sup>48</sup> Thus, the P-C(phenyl) separations are in excellent agreement: respective values are 1.815(3) Å (mean) in (I) and 1.802(8) Å in (II). In addition, the P-C(methyl) bond lengths do not deviate significantly from their mean value of 1.821(9) Å. These distances are similar to those found in other monotertiary phosphine complexes of platinum(II).<sup>49</sup> Moreover, the Pt-P-C and C-P-C angles display the expected deviations from the regular tetrahedral angle of 109°28':<sup>48</sup> they are, respectively, significantly larger and smaller than the latter value. The Pt-P-C angles in (I) and (II) have the respective ranges 110.2(3) - 118.3(2) and 111.2(3) - 113.1(3)°. The corresponding ranges of the C-P-C angles are 105.4(3) - 107.2(3)° (mean 105.8(7)°) in (I) and 105.6(4) - 107.2(5)° in (II).

The carbon-carbon distances in the phenyl groups are normal, with mean values of 1.382(9) and 1.384(4) Å in (I) and (II), respectively; these means are shorter than the spectroscopic value of 1.397(1) Å for benzene:<sup>50</sup> such contractions have been attributed to the effects of thermal motion.<sup>48</sup> The C-C-C angles are normal [means range from 119.9(6) to 120.0(3)°], and the phenyl rings are accurately planar with root mean-square deviations from planarity of  $\leq 0.03$  Å. The deviations of the individual distances and angles from their respective mean values are insignificant, with the exception of the bond lengths involving atoms C(21) - (26) in (I) where the deviations are highly significant (0.1% level,  $\chi^2 = 35.8$  on five degrees of freedom). In principle, this may result from neglect of any anisotropic thermal motion of the ring carbon atoms, from underestimation of the errors of the positional parameters derived in the least-squares refinement, or from distortions from regular hexagonal geometry. Similar variations have often been ascribed to a swinging motion of the rings about the P-C bonds.<sup>51</sup> The bond length pattern noted by Churchill, Kalra and Veidis is evident with only minor discrepancies: C(ortho)-C(meta) > C(P-bonded)-C(ortho) > C(meta)-C(para).<sup>51</sup>

In complex (I) the phenyl rings have the usual 'propeller' arrangement at the phosphorus atom with dihedral angles between the planes of 97.5, 109.4 and 81.5°. <sup>51,52</sup> The phosphorus atom is displaced from the phenyl planes by up to 0.20 Å in (I) and by 0.09 Å in (II): distortions of such a magnitude are common in arylphosphine derivatives and have been attributed to repulsions between the phosphine substituents.<sup>48</sup>

The endocyclic angles at the ipso-carbon atoms [119.5(4)°(mean), (I); 118(1)°, (II)] are comparable with the values noted by Coulson and co-workers for a phenylphosphine  $\sigma$ -bonded to a transition metal.<sup>53,54</sup>



The Platinum-Carbonyl Bonding. The Pt-C-O fragment is linear in (II) but slightly bent by  $4.4(7)^\circ$  in (I): such distortions can arise from electronic effects but, in this case, may be simply due to steric repulsion by the bulky phosphine ligand.<sup>55</sup> The Pt-C(donor) distances [ $1.858(7) \text{ \AA}$ , (I);  $1.834(11) \text{ \AA}$ , (II);  $1.855(14) \text{ \AA}$ , (III)] are in good agreement and in the range found in other platinum(II) carbonyl complexes [ $1.74(4)$  to  $1.97(5) \text{ \AA}$ ].<sup>24-27</sup> However, they are considerably shorter than the Pt-C(sp) distance<sup>56</sup> of  $1.98(2) \text{ \AA}$  in trans-[PtCl(C $\equiv$ CPh)(PEt<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>2</sub>], and the Pt-C(sp<sup>2</sup>) distances<sup>57,58</sup> in cis-[PtPh<sub>2</sub>(Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>PPh<sub>2</sub>)] [ $2.05(1) \text{ \AA}$ ] and cis-[PtPh(GePh<sub>2</sub>OH)(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] [ $2.04(1) \text{ \AA}$ ]. When allowance is made for the difference in covalent radii<sup>59</sup> of sp<sup>2</sup> and sp hybridised carbon atoms ( $0.74$  and  $0.70 \text{ \AA}$ , respectively), it is clear that the co-ordinated carbonyl groups exhibit appreciable  $\pi$ -acceptor properties. In addition, the Pt-C(donor) separations are somewhat shorter than the mean value of  $1.896(16) \text{ \AA}$  in cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CNPh)<sub>2</sub>], suggesting increased Pt  $\rightarrow$  C backdonation in the carbonyl complexes.<sup>60</sup>

The C-O bond lengths [ $1.114(8)$  and  $1.106(13) \text{ \AA}$ ] appear a little short by comparison with those in other metal carbonyls [typically ca.  $1.15 \text{ \AA}$  with esd's of ca.  $0.02 \text{ \AA}$ ]<sup>61</sup> and with the distance<sup>50</sup> of  $1.128 \text{ \AA}$  in free carbon monoxide: these contractions can be attributed reasonably to the effects of the high thermal motion of the terminal oxygen atoms.

The Trans-Influence of Carbon Monoxide. - The Pt-Cl(trans to C) distances in the title complexes [ $2.276(1) \text{ \AA}$ , (I);  $2.291(2) \text{ \AA}$ , (II)] and

in (III)  $[2.296(4) \text{ \AA}]^{22}$  are extremely short by comparison with those in related complexes<sup>26,29,47, 63</sup> (Table 2.7) and with the mean length  $[2.303(5) \text{ \AA}]^3$  of the Pt-Cl (trans to Cl) bonds in five other platinum(II) complexes: the carbonyl group exerts only a weak trans-influence which is significantly less than that of CNEt or chloride. In contrast, the trans-influence of the  $\sigma$ -bonded carbon-donor ligand in cis-[PtCl-(C  $\equiv$  CPh)(PEt<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>2</sub>] is high, the Pt-Cl (trans to C) distance being  $2.407(6) \text{ \AA}^{56}$ .

The bond length data lead to the  $\pi$ -acidity series  $\sigma$ -carbyl < carbene < isonitrile < carbon monoxide, which is the exact reversal of the trans-influence order carbon monoxide < isonitrile < carbene <  $\sigma$ -carbyl. Thus, the  $\pi$ -acidity of carbon-donor ligands appears to reduce their trans-influence on Pt-Cl bonds.

Manojlović-Muir and Muir proposed a model of trans-influence which takes account of both the  $\sigma$ -donor and the  $\pi$ -acceptor properties of ligands.<sup>3</sup> Thus, if a strong covalent Pt-L bond is formed, with negligible  $\pi$ -component, the bonding electron density will lie mainly in the L-Pt bond and on the ligand Cl<sup>-</sup>. The concentration of electron density in the L-Pt bond causes repulsion of the metal  $d_{\pi}$  electrons in the direction of the chloride ligand and, thereby, weakens the Pt-Cl bond. As the electronegativity of the ligands L increases, the Pt-L covalency decreases and, consequently, the trans-influence decreases. Moreover,  $\pi$ -acid ligands can accept charge from the metal  $d_{\pi}$  orbital. Thus, the trans-influence of carbon-donor ligands is expected to decrease as the  $\pi$ -acidity increases throughout a series.

The cis-Influence of Carbon Monoxide - The lengths of the metal-ligand bonds cis to the carbonyl group are of especial interest. Thus, in (I) the Pt-Cl(trans to P) and Pt-P distances are, respectively, 0.036(4) Å (9σ) shorter and 0.045(3) Å (15σ) longer than the weighted mean values [2.379(3) and 2.237(2) Å, respectively] of corresponding distances in five other cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(L)(PR<sub>3</sub>)] complexes (Table 2.7). These differences, although small, are statistically highly significant and are consistent with the trends in the structural and spectroscopic data noted in Sec. 2.3.1. They lead to two rationalisations (not necessarily mutually exclusive): (a) that carbon monoxide exerts a cis-influence which weakens the Pt-P bond and strengthens the Pt-Cl(trans to P) bond, or (b) that PPh<sub>3</sub> forms a weaker bond to platinum and has a lower trans-influence than PEt<sub>3</sub>, PMe<sub>3</sub> or PPhEt<sub>2</sub>.

Consider, for the moment, the electronic and steric properties of the substituents of phosphine ligands. These have been examined by Tolman<sup>46</sup> who used the perturbation of the A<sub>1</sub> carbonyl stretching frequency in Ni(CO)<sub>3</sub>PR<sub>3</sub> complexes as a measure of the electron-withdrawal by individual substituents on the phosphorus atom. He assigned, for example, the values of  $\chi_i$  [a measure of electron-withdrawal] 2.6, 1.8 and 4.3 cm<sup>-1</sup> to the Me, Et and Ph groups, respectively [cf., e.g., 19.6, CF<sub>3</sub>; 11.2, C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>; and 0, t-Bu (internal standard)]. Moreover, he defined a steric parameter as the angle  $\theta$  of a cylindrically symmetrical cone which has its apex at the metal and which just encloses the van der Waals envelope of the ligand. The  $\theta$  values were obtained from models, assuming a M-P distance of 2.28 Å. For unsymmetrical PR<sup>1</sup>R<sup>2</sup>R<sup>3</sup> ligands, an effective

cone angle is given by:

$$\theta = 2/3 (\theta_1/2 + \theta_2/2 + \theta_3/2) \quad \dots\dots(2.1)$$

Thus, for example,  $\theta$  has the values: 143,  $\text{PPh}_3$ ; 122,  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$ ; and  $132^\circ$ ,  $\text{PEt}_3$ . The above parameters are useful, although crude, measures of steric and electronic properties of substituents.

Let us now return to the problem concerning the metal-ligand bond lengths cis to carbon monoxide. If the steric mechanism is predominant, change of phosphine from  $\text{PPh}_3$  to the less bulky  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$  or  $\text{PEt}_3$  ligands (smaller in cone angles by 21 and  $11^\circ$ , respectively) should produce Pt-P and Pt-Cl bond lengths that resemble more closely the corresponding mean values in Table 2.7. However, the Pt-Cl (trans to P) and Pt-P bond lengths in the  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$  (II) and  $\text{PEt}_3$  (III) analogues of (I) are 2.362(3) and 2.264(2) Å, respectively, in (II) and 2.368(3) and 2.265(3) Å, respectively, in (III). Thus, it can be seen that the trends observed in (I) are present also in (II) and (III), although they are not as pronounced. They are consistent with carbon monoxide exerting a small cis-influence of ca. +0.03 Å on a Pt-P bond and ca. -0.02 Å on a Pt-Cl bond.

A cis-influence also provides a satisfactory rationalisation of the bond lengths in cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{L})(\text{PR}_3)]$  complexes in general. In this series, one of the ligands cis to phosphine and the ligand trans to phosphine are always the same. The Pt-P bond lengths cover a large range [2.215(4) to 2.282(2) Å] and can be divided into three groups: (i) 2.215(4) Å when  $\text{L} = \text{Cl}^-$  (in the anion of  $[\text{Et}_4\text{N}][\text{PtCl}_3(\text{PEt}_3)]$ );<sup>64</sup> (ii) 2.242(2) Å, the mean for seven complexes in which L is a weak  $\pi$ -acid such as carbenoid, isocyanide or phosphine;<sup>65</sup> and (iii) 2.280(5) Å, the mean for the three carbonyl complexes

(I) - (III). The variations in bond distance do not appear to be of steric origin since such a rationalisation implies that the Pt-Cl and Pt-P bond lengths cis to L should vary in the same manner: a slight trend in the opposite sense is indicated, the mean Pt-Cl (cis to L) distances being 2.382(4), 2.375(3) and 2.353(8) Å, respectively, for groups (i), (ii) and (iii). Differences in the electronic properties of the phosphine substituents are also unlikely to be a major factor in these variations: the Pt-P distances in the complexes (I) - (III) differ by at most 0.018(3) Å; Pt-P(trans to P) distances in monomeric, square-planar complexes (Table 2.8) show no consistent variation with the electron-withdrawing ability of the phosphine substituents. Thus, an electronic mechanism operating through the cis-ligand is strongly indicated. By analogy with the trans-influence of  $\pi$ -acceptor ligands, it is suggested that the cis-influence of a ligand L may result from its  $\pi$ -acceptor ability. Thus, the weakening of the Pt-P bond may be ascribed to competition between L and  $PR_3$  ligands for metal  $d_{\pi}$  electrons. In addition, significant Pt  $\rightarrow$  L backdonation will lead to an increased electrostatic attraction between platinum and chloride ligands, thus shortening the Pt-Cl bond cis to L (as well as that trans to L). Alternatively, the cis-Pt-Cl bond may shorten because of a diminution of the trans-influence of the phosphine that is effected by the cis-influence of L.

TABLE 2.1

(a) Fractional atomic co-ordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and vibrational parameters for cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] (I); standard deviations are given in parentheses.\*

Atom	x	y	z	B $\times 10^3$ Å <sup>2</sup>
Pt	2422.6(3)	2223.8(2)	832.6(3)	*
P	1393(2)	1363(1)	-1510(2)	*
Cl(1)	3496(2)	3174(2)	3227(2)	*
Cl(2)	1798(2)	4399(2)	382(2)	*
C(1)	3136(8)	556(7)	1359(7)	*
O	3648(8)	-395(6)	1723(7)	*
C(11)	-549(6)	1389(5)	-2598(6)	31(1)
C(12)	-1416(7)	236(6)	-3643(7)	39(1)
C(13)	-2857(8)	300(7)	-4570(8)	47(1)
C(14)	-3434(8)	1512(7)	-4459(8)	49(1)
C(15)	-2611(9)	2664(8)	-3441(9)	54(2)
C(16)	-1157(8)	2606(7)	-2470(8)	47(1)
C(21)	2285(6)	2341(6)	-2275(6)	32(1)
C(22)	1524(7)	2602(6)	-3597(7)	40(1)
C(23)	2258(9)	3349(8)	-4161(8)	52(1)
C(24)	3697(9)	3813(8)	-3379(9)	54(2)
C(25)	4467(10)	3567(9)	-2068(10)	62(2)
C(26)	3764(8)	2825(7)	-1482(8)	49(1)
C(31)	1629(6)	-483(6)	-1811(6)	33(1)
C(32)	909(7)	-1476(6)	-1444(7)	40(1)
C(33)	1066(8)	-2899(7)	-1625(8)	50(1)
C(34)	1985(10)	-3314(9)	-2113(10)	61(2)
C(35)	2705(10)	-2344(9)	-2502(10)	61(2)
C(36)	2513(8)	-929(7)	-2358(8)	46(1)

TABLE 2.1 (Cont'd)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp [-(B_{11}h^2+B_{22}k^2+B_{33}l^2+2B_{12}hk+2B_{13}hl+2B_{23}kl)]$ .

The final values of the  $B_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^4$ ) are:

Atom	$B_{11}$	$B_{22}$	$B_{33}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{13}$	$B_{23}$
Pt	95.0(3)	84.7(2)	88.9(3)	23.7(2)	46.1(2)	23.9(2)
P	93(2)	70(1)	95(2)	20(1)	49(1)	22(1)
Cl(1)	197(3)	154(2)	91(2)	36(2)	52(2)	22(2)
Cl(2)	154(2)	83(1)	128(2)	33(2)	31(2)	14(1)
C(1)	164(11)	134(9)	106(9)	40(8)	59(8)	33(7)
O	281(12)	162(8)	188(10)	108(8)	103(9)	91(7)

\* Throughout this thesis, the limits of error have been derived from the appropriate least-squares matrix and are given in units of the least significant digit of the quantities to which they refer.

TABLE 2.1 (Cont'd)

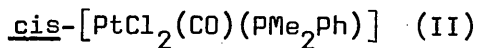
(b) Calculated fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and assumed isotropic vibrational parameters for hydrogen atoms; each hydrogen atom is numbered according to the carbon atom to which it is attached.

Atom	x	y	z	$B \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$ *
H(12)	-106	-58	-373	49
H(13)	-339	-46	-528	55
H(14)	-439	155	-508	58
H(15)	-301	345	-336	62
H(16)	-64	337	-178	57
H(22)	54	229	-408	49
H(23)	175	353	-508	62
H(24)	419	429	-373	62
H(25)	544	393	-150	73
H(26)	427	263	-60	58
H(32)	27	-121	-114	51
H(33)	56	-358	-145	59
H(34)	214	-424	-222	68
H(35)	335	-264	-281	70
H(36)	301	-26	-261	54

\* B of adjacent carbon atom multiplied by 1.25.



TABLE 2.2

(a) Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and vibrational parameters for

Atom	x	y	z	B $\times 10^3$ Å <sup>2</sup>
Pt	1269.4(2)	-1398.5(4)	2224.4(3)	*
P	180(1)	-3440(3)	883(2)	*
Cl(1)	759(2)	719(4)	3668(2)	*
Cl(2)	2110(2)	-2606(4)	3748(2)	*
C(1)	571(7)	-407(15)	1048(10)	*
O	153(7)	195(16)	337(9)	*
C(11)	1475(5)	-3088(11)	-714(8)	33(1)
C(12)	1903(7)	-1907(14)	-1468(10)	44(2)
C(13)	1647(7)	-1568(14)	-2704(11)	48(2)
C(14)	929(7)	-2420(14)	-3147(10)	44(2)
C(15)	494(8)	-3555(17)	-2421(13)	59(2)
C(16)	782(7)	-3941(15)	-1200(11)	49(2)
C(21)	2955(6)	-3414(14)	855(10)	44(2)
C(31)	1479(6)	-5664(14)	1313(10)	43(2)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp \left[ -\sum_{ij} B_{ij} h_i h_j \right]$ . The final values of the  $B_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^4$ ) are:

TABLE 2.2 (Cont'd)

Atom	B <sub>11</sub>	B <sub>22</sub>	B <sub>33</sub>	B <sub>12</sub>	B <sub>13</sub>	B <sub>23</sub>
Pt	32.6(1)	146.3(5)	54.7(2)	-0.6(2)	0.9(1)	0.2(3)
P	35(1)	138(3)	63(1)	3(1)	4(1)	0(2)
Cl(1)	46(1)	232(5)	98(2)	0(2)	9(1)	-56(3)
Cl(2)	70(2)	270(6)	67(2)	27(3)	-17(1)	24(3)
C(1)	56(5)	227(22)	89(8)	42(9)	-2(6)	-29(12)
O	104(7)	415(30)	128(10)	88(13)	-56(8)	-6(15)

(b) Calculated fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and assumed isotropic vibrational parameters for hydrogen atoms; each hydrogen atom is numbered according to the carbon atom to which it is attached.

Atom	x	y	z	B $\times 10^3$ Å <sup>2*</sup>
H(12)	241	-128	-113	53
H(13)	196	-72	-324	56
H(14)	76	-222	-403	51
H(15)	-4	-409	-274	67
H(16)	50	-488	-68	57

\* See footnote, Table 2.1 (b)

TABLE 2.3

Selected interatomic distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) in (I)

(a) Bond lengths with standard deviations in parentheses

Pt-C1(1)	2.343(2)	C(21)-C(22)	1.360(8)
Pt-C1(2)	2.276(1)	C(22)-C(23)	1.408(10)
Pt-P	2.282(2)	C(23)-C(24)	1.344(11)
Pt-C(1)	1.858(7)	C(24)-C(25)	1.346(11)
C(1)-O	1.114(8)	C(25)-C(26)	1.402(11)
		C(26)-C(21)	1.382(9)
P-C(11)	1.819(6)	Mean	1.374(11)
P-C(21)	1.815(6)	C(31)-C(32)	1.390(8)
P-C(31)	1.813(5)	C(32)-C(33)	1.385(9)
Mean*	1.815(3)	C(33)-C(34)	1.362(11)
		C(34)-C(35)	1.390(12)
C(11)-C(12)	1.387(8)	C(35)-C(36)	1.386(10)
C(12)-C(13)	1.382(10)	C(36)-C(31)	1.384(9)
C(13)-C(14)	1.363(9)	Mean	1.384(4)
C(14)-C(15)	1.365(11)		
C(15)-C(16)	1.403(11)		
C(16)-C(11)	1.389(8)		
Mean	1.382(6)		

\* Throughout this thesis, each mean value,  $\bar{x}$ , is derived from the relation  $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_j w_j x_j}{\sum_j w_j}$ , where the summations are over the set of  $n$  individual measurements,  $x_j$ , and the weights,  $w_j$ , are equated with the reciprocal of the variance of  $x_j$ . The standard deviation of each weighted mean is the larger of  $\sigma_A$  and  $\sigma_B$ .  $\sigma_A$  is calculated from the individual standard deviations,  $\sigma_j$ , by the relation  $\sigma_A = \left(\sum_j 1/\sigma_j^2\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ;  $\sigma_B$  is derived from the deviations of the individual values from their mean by the relation  $\sigma_B = \left[\sum_j w_j (x_j - \bar{x})^2 / \{(n-1) \sum_j w_j\}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

TABLE 2.3(Cont'd)

(b) Interbond angles with standard deviations in parentheses

C1(1)-Pt-C1(2)	88.4(1)	C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	119.6(6)
C1(1)-Pt-C(1)	86.8(2)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	119.6(7)
C1(2)-Pt-P	90.1(1)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	121.7(8)
P-Pt-C(1)	94.6(2)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	119.9(8)
C1(1)-Pt-P	178.3(2)	C(25)-C(26)-C(21)	119.0(7)
C1(2)-Pt-C(1)	173.5(2)	C(26)-C(21)-C(22)	120.3(6)
		Mean	120.0(3)
Pt-C(1)-O	175.6(7)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	120.8(6)
		C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	119.3(7)
Pt-P-C(11)	118.3(2)	C(33)-C(34)-C(35)	121.0(8)
Pt-P-C(21)	110.3(2)	C(34)-C(35)-C(36)	119.5(8)
Pt-P-C(31)	110.2(2)	C(35)-C(36)-C(31)	120.1(7)
		C(36)-C(31)-C(32)	119.3(5)
C(11)-P-C(21)	105.4(3)	Mean	119.9(3)
C(11)-P-C(31)	104.9(3)		
C(21)-P-C(31)	107.2(3)	P-C(11)-C(12)	120.3(4)
Mean	105.8(7)	P-C(11)-C(16)	120.3(5)
		P-C(21)-C(22)	121.2(5)
C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	120.8(6)	P-C(21)-C(26)	118.6(5)
C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	119.7(7)	P-C(31)-C(32)	118.0(4)
C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	121.0(7)	P-C(31)-C(36)	122.7(5)
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	120.1(7)	Mean	120.2(7)
C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	119.2(7)		
C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	119.1(6)		
Mean	120.0(3)		

TABLE 2.3 (Cont'd)

(c) Intramolecular non-bonded distances\* within the limits of the van der Waals radii (Å): C(sp), 1.7; C(sp<sup>2</sup>), 1.85; C(sp<sup>3</sup>), 2.0; Cl, 1.8; O, 1.4; P, 1.9. \*\*

C1(2)···C(16)	3.34	C(12)···C(31)	3.06
C1(2)···C(21)	3.57	C(12)···C(32)	3.25
C(1)···C(31)	3.06	C(16)···C(21)	3.54
C(1)···C(32)	3.14	C(16)···C(22)	3.56
C(11)···C(22)	3.09	C(21)···C(36)	3.15
C(11)···C(32)	3.34	C(26)···C(31)	3.63
C(12)···C(22)	3.68	C(26)···C(36)	3.59

\* Values for atoms bonded to a common atom have been omitted from such lists.

\*\* Here, and throughout, the labels refer to formal hybridisation states.

TABLE 2.3 (Cont'd)

(d) Intermolecular non-bonded distances within the limits of the van der Waals radii

C1(1)···C(24 <sup>I</sup> )*	3.61	C(13)···C(36 <sup>III</sup> )	3.68
C1(2)···C(33 <sup>II</sup> )	3.52		

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the equivalent positions relative to the reference molecule at x, y, z:

I x, y, 1 + z

III -x, -y, -1-z

II x, 1 + y, z

TABLE 2.4

Selected interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) in (II)

(a) Bond lengths

Pt-Cl(1)	2.362(3)	C(1)-O	1.106(13)
Pt-Cl(2)	2.291(2)		
Pt-P	2.264(2)	C(11)-C(12)	1.378(13)
Pt-C(1)	1.834(11)	C(12)-C(13)	1.404(16)
		C(13)-C(14)	1.390(15)
P-C(11)	1.802(8)	C(14)-C(15)	1.345(16)
		C(15)-C(16)	1.412(18)
P-C(21)	1.830(10)	C(16)-C(11)	1.374(14)
P-C(31)	1.811(11)	Mean	1.382(9)
Mean	1.821(9)		

TABLE 2.4 (Cont'd)

(b) Interbond angles

Cl(1)-Pt-Cl(2)	90.2(1)	C(21)-P-C(31)	107.2(5)
Cl(1)-Pt-C(1)	88.0(3)		
Cl(2)-Pt-P	88.0(1)	P-C(11)-C(12)	120.5(7)
P-Pt-C(1)	93.9(3)	P-C(11)-C(16)	121.2(7)
Cl(1)-Pt-P	178.0(1)	Mean	120.9(5)
Cl(2)-Pt-C(1)	178.0(3)		
		C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	121.7(10)
Pt-P-C(11)	113.1(3)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	118.2(10)
		C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	121.1(11)
Pt-P-C(21)	112.0(4)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	119.9(12)
Pt-P-C(31)	111.2(3)	C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	120.7(11)
Mean	111.5(4)	C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	118.3(9)
		Mean	119.9(6)
Pt-C(1)-O	179.7(19)		
C(11)-P-C(21)	105.6(4)		
C(11)-P-C(31)	107.2(4)		
Mean	106.4(8)		



TABLE 2.4 (Cont'd)

(c) Intramolecular non-bonded distances

C1(2)···C(21)	3.42	C(12)···C(21)	3.20
C1(2)···C(31)	3.62	C(16)···C(31)	3.18
C(1)···C(11)	3.11		

TABLE 2.4 (Cont'd)

(d) Intermolecular non-bonded distances

C1(1)···C(16 <sup>I</sup> )*	3.65	C1(2)···C(31 <sup>III</sup> )	3.77
C1(1)···C(21 <sup>II</sup> )	3.71	C(13)···C(31 <sup>IV</sup> )	3.78
C1(1)···C(31 <sup>I</sup> )	3.70	C(14)···C(21 <sup>IV</sup> )	3.76
C1(2)···C(21 <sup>III</sup> )	3.75	C(15)···C(21 <sup>IV</sup> )	3.83

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the following co-ordinate transformations:

I	- x, 1/2 + y, 1/2 - z	III	1/2 - x, - 1 - y, 1/2 + z
II	1/2 - x, - y, 1/2 + z	IV	1/2 - x, - 1 - y, -1/2 + z

TABLE 2.5

Equations of least-squares planes of (I) in which X, Y, Z refer to orthogonal co-ordinates in Å. Deviations of selected atoms from the plane are given in square brackets.

Plane 1: Pt, P, Cl(1), Cl(2), C(1)

$$0.958X + 0.287Y + 0.019Z - 2.506 = 0$$

[Pt 0.039, P 0.020, Cl(1) 0.022, Cl(2) -0.036, C(1) -0.044,  
O -0.163]

Plane 2: C(11) - (16)

$$-0.634X - 0.474Y + 0.611Z + 2.786 = 0$$

[P -0.207, C(11) -0.011, C(12) 0.000, C(13) 0.007, C(14) -0.002,  
C(15) -0.010, C(16) 0.016]

Plane 3: C(21) - (26)

$$0.470X - 0.808Y - 0.355Z - 0.233 = 0$$

[P 0.017, C(21) 0.004, C(22) -0.004, C(23) 0.003, C(24) -0.003,  
C(25) 0.002, C(26) -0.003]

Plane 4: C(31) - (36)

$$-0.374X + 0.003Y - 0.927Z - 0.613 = 0$$

[P -0.075, C(31) -0.009, C(32) -0.007, C(33) 0.019, C(34) -0.015,  
C(35) -0.001, C(36) 0.013]

Angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) between planes:

(2) - (3)	97.6	(3) - (4)	81.3
(2) - (4)	109.4		

TABLE 2.6

Least-squares planes of (II)

Plane 1: Pt, P, C1(1), C1(2), C(1)

$$0.733X + 0.630Y - 0.257Z - 0.200 = 0$$

[Pt 0.000, P 0.016, C1(1) 0.016, C1(2) -0.015, C(1) -0.018,  
O -0.023]

Plane 2: C(11) - (16)

$$-0.572X + 0.747Y + 0.338Z + 3.339 = 0$$

[P 0.088, C(11) 0.006, C(12) 0.010, C(13) -0.013, C(14) -0.001,  
C(15) 0.017, C(16) -0.020]

TABLE 2.7

Bond lengths (Å) in cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(L)(R<sub>3</sub>P)] complexes

L	R <sub>3</sub> P	Pt-Cl		Pt-P	Ref.
		( <u>trans</u> to L)	( <u>trans</u> to P)		
PMe <sub>3</sub>	PMe <sub>3</sub>	2.376(12)*	2.376(12)*	2.248(9)*	62
C(OEt)NHPH	PEt <sub>3</sub>	2.365(5)	2.368(7)	2.240(8)	26
C(NPhCH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	PEt <sub>3</sub>	2.362(3)	2.381(3)	2.234(3)	63
CNPh	PEt <sub>3</sub>	2.333(12)	2.365(11)	2.238(8)	26,29
CNEt	PEt <sub>2</sub> Ph	2.314(10)	2.390(8)	2.244(8)	47
Weighted means	—	—	2.379(3)	2.237(2)	
CO	PPh <sub>3</sub>	2.276(1)	2.343(2)	2.282(2)	Present work
CO	PMe <sub>2</sub> Ph	2.291(2)	2.362(3)	2.264(2)	" "
CO	PEt <sub>3</sub>	2.296(4)	2.368(3)	2.265(3)	22

\* Mean values

TABLE 2.8

Mean Pt-P(trans to P) bond lengths (Å) in various types of platinum (II) complexes<sup>a</sup>

Phosphine <sup>b</sup>	PR <sub>3</sub>	PR <sub>2</sub> Ph	PMe <sub>2</sub> Ph	PPh <sub>3</sub>
Electroneutral complexes	2.312(5)	2.299(8)	2.294(3)	2.304(2)
Monocationic complexes	2.330(12)	--	2.295(5)	--
Tolman's $\sum \chi_i$ parameter <sup>c</sup>	5.4	7.9	9.5	12.9

<sup>a</sup> K.W. Muir, personal communication.

<sup>b</sup> R = Et or n-Bu

<sup>c</sup> A measure of the total electron-withdrawing ability of the substituents on phosphorus (see ref. 46).

**Figure 2.2:** A view of the cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)]  
molecule; thermal vibration ellipsoids  
enclose 50% of probability. Hydrogen  
atoms are omitted for clarity.

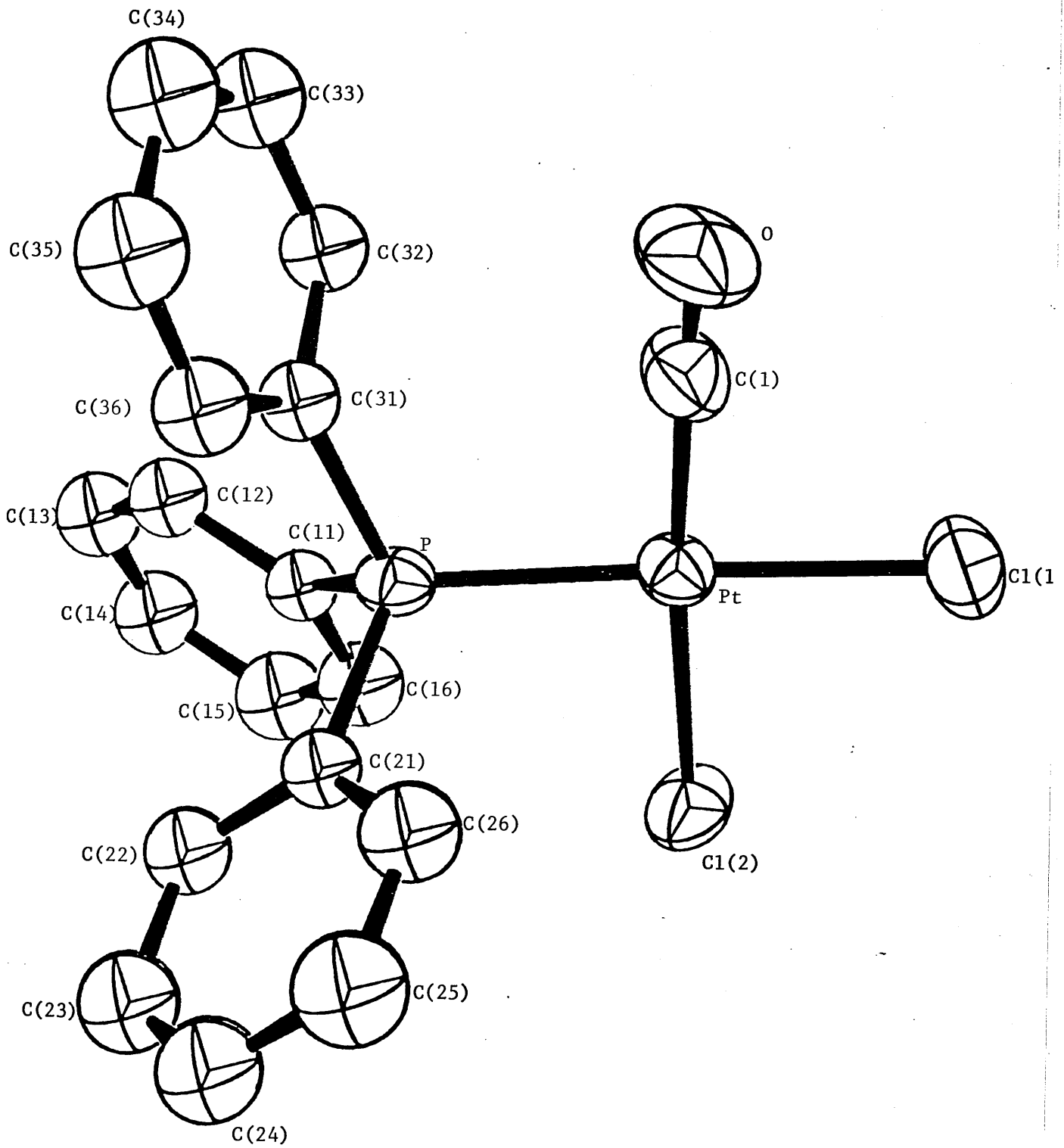
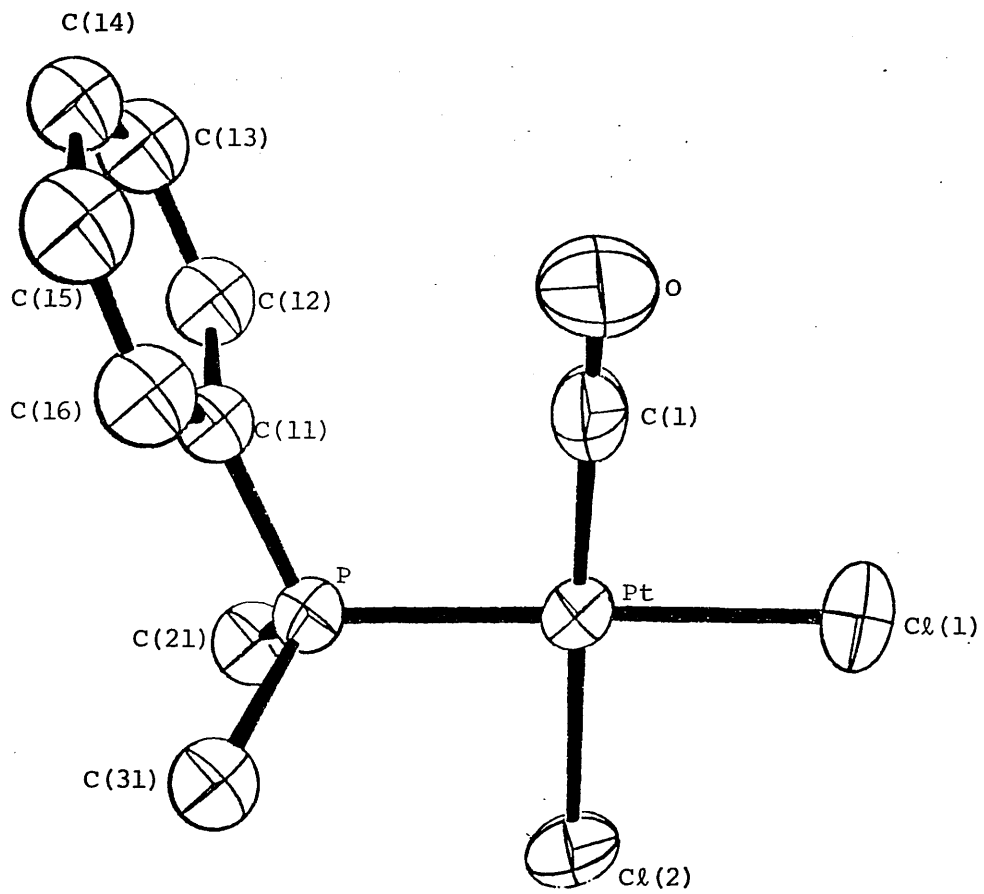




Figure 2.3: A view of the cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph)]  
molecule; thermal ellipsoids enclose  
50% of probability.



## 2.4 THE CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF THE PLATINUM (II)

### PHOSPHINE COMPLEX $\text{cis-}[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}(\text{CF}_3)_2\}]$

#### 2.4.1. INTRODUCTION

Recently, the novel unsymmetrical ditertiary phosphine  $\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}(\text{CF}_3)_2$ , L, and its chelate complexes  $\text{cis-}[\text{MCl}_2\text{L}]$ , M = palladium or platinum, were synthesised.<sup>66</sup> An X-ray structure determination of the palladium complex showed that the electronic properties of the substituents on the phosphorus atoms have a pronounced effect on the palladium-ligand bonding.<sup>66</sup> Thus, the Pd-P distance involving the trifluoromethylphosphine ligand is extremely short and, furthermore, this phosphine exerts a considerably smaller trans-influence on a Pd-Cl bond than does the phenyl-substituted phosphorus donor atom.

An account is now given of the accurate X-ray analysis of the platinum analogue  $\text{cis-}[\text{PtCl}_2\text{L}]$ . This work was undertaken for the following reasons.

- (i) It extends the study<sup>3</sup> of the bonding and trans-influence of carbon-donor ligands in monomeric square-planar platinum(II) complexes (Sec. 2.3): an analogy can be drawn in that one of the phosphorus atoms (namely, that of the  $\text{P}(\text{CF}_3)_2$  group) is believed to receive significant  $\pi$ -backdonation from the metal atom.
- (ii) Platinum, unlike palladium, has an isotope ( $^{195}\text{Pt}$ ) with nuclear spin angular momentum and, consequently,  $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants can be obtained. In the present complex, the two metal-phosphorus bonds have appreciably different  $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants. This result is significant in view of the proposed correlation between  $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants and Pt-P bond lengths in platinum(II) complexes containing monotertiary phosphine ligands.<sup>19</sup>

(iii) There is an extensive structural literature on platinum(II) phosphine complexes:<sup>67</sup> accordingly, a more critical evaluation of the metal-phosphorus bonding should be possible for the platinum complex.

(iv) The bonding in analogous second and third row transition metal complexes can show marked differences, especially when  $\pi$ -acid ligands are involved.<sup>68</sup>

A preliminary account of this work is available.<sup>69</sup>

#### 2.4.2. EXPERIMENTAL

Crystal Data. -  $C_{16}H_{14}Cl_2F_6P_2Pt$ ,  $M = 648.2$ . Monoclinic,  $a = 10.062(1)$ ,  $b = 13.690(1)$ ,  $c = 15.930(1)$  Å,  $\beta = 108.66(1)^\circ$ ,  $T = 19^\circ C$ ,  $U = 2078.9$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ ,  $D_c = 2.071$  gm cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $F(000) = 1224$ . Mo-K $_{\alpha}$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71069$  Å,  $\mu(Mo-K_{\alpha}) = 75.6$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. Space group  $P2_1/c$ .

Crystallographic Measurements. - The crystals are white, air-stable plates. The specimen chosen for the analysis displayed all members of the  $\{100\}$ ,  $\{010\}$  and  $\{001\}$  forms, and the  $(110)$  and  $(1\bar{1}0)$  faces; the perpendicular distances between the parallel faces were 0.17, 0.32 and 0.09 mm.

The crystal system and unit-cell dimensions were derived from rotation and Weissenberg photographs. Final values of the cell dimensions were obtained by a least-squares treatment of the setting angles of 12 reflexions centred on a Hilger and Watts<sup>34b</sup> Y290 diffractometer controlled by a PDP8 computer. The crystals are nearly isomorphous with those of the palladium analogue.<sup>68</sup>

Intensity Measurements. - The intensities of all independent reflexions with  $\theta(Mo-K_{\alpha}) \leq 28^\circ$  were measured on the Y290 instrument with the use of graphite-monochromated molybdenum radiation and a pulse-height analyser. A symmetrical  $\theta - 2\theta$  scan was employed: 2.5s counts were taken at 0.02<sup>o</sup> intervals over a range of 0.60<sup>o</sup> in  $\theta$ , and stationary crystal-stationary counter backgrounds were measured for 15s at each end of the scan. The intensities of three strong low-angle reflexions, remeasured periodically during the experiment, varied by less than 6% of their mean values.

Structure amplitudes and their standard deviations were derived in the usual way (q 0.04).<sup>35</sup> A correction was made for absorption effects; the transmission factors on  $|F_o|$ , calculated by Gaussian integration over a grid of 14 x 14 x 14 points, ranged from 0.41 to 0.70.<sup>37</sup>

Of 3531 intensities measured, only 3364 for which  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$  were used in the subsequent calculations.

Structure Analysis - The fractional atomic co-ordinates of the palladium analogue were employed in a trial solution: this led to a satisfactory structural model. This model was refined by the method of full-matrix least-squares. The function minimised was  $\sum w\Delta^2$ , where  $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$  and  $\Delta = |F_o| - |F_c|$ . Atomic scattering factors were taken from ref.<sup>38</sup>, except those for the hydrogen atoms.<sup>40</sup> Allowance was made for the anomalous scattering of the platinum, phosphorus and chlorine atoms with values of  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$  from ref. 41.

Refinement of the scale factor and of the positional and isotropic thermal parameters of all non-hydrogen atoms led to R 0.099 and R 0.120. When the data were corrected for absorption effects and anisotropic temperature factors were assigned to the platinum, phosphorus and chlorine atoms, R and R' decreased, respectively, to 0.041 and 0.054. Hydrogen atom positions were inferred and their contributions to the scattering were included in all subsequent structure factor calculations but their positional and thermal parameters were not refined. In addition, anisotropic temperature factors were assigned to the fluorine atoms. It then became evident that extinction effects were present. Accordingly, a secondary extinction parameter,  $r^*$ ,<sup>43</sup> was included in the refinement: convergence was achieved at R 0.029 and R' 0.036.

In the final cycle of least-squares refinement all parameters shifted by less than  $0.2\sigma$ . The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight was 1.3 and  $r^*$  was  $2.9(1) \times 10^{-3} \text{ deg}^{-1}$ . Mean values of  $w\Delta^2$  showed no apparent trend when analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin\theta$ , indicating that the weighting scheme was satisfactory. The extreme function values (1.1 and  $-0.5 \text{ eA}^{-3}$ ) in the final difference synthesis occurred in regions close to the platinum atom.

The observed and calculated structure amplitudes are listed in the Appendix (pp.53 to 77). Final atomic parameters and a selection of derived functions are presented in Tables 2.9 - 2.11. A view of the molecular structure is shown and the atomic numbering scheme is indicated in Fig. 2.4.

The computer programs employed have been described in Sec. 2.3.2.

### 2.4.3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION.

The crystals are built of discrete cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>{Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>}] molecules. A calculation of all intermolecular distances  $\leq 4.0$  Å indicated that the interactions between molecules are of the van der Waals type.<sup>44</sup> Of the contact distances shown (Table 2.10(e)), the only one of interest is that of 3.59 Å between C(13) and Cl(1): the resultant H(13)···Cl(1) distance of 2.81 Å and the C(13)-H···Cl(1) angle of 136° may indicate a weak hydrogen bond.<sup>45</sup>

The Co-ordination of the Metal Atom. - The molecules have the expected cis-square-planar configuration at the platinum atom with the ditertiary phosphine acting as a chelating bidentate ligand; the remaining co-ordination sites are occupied by chlorine atoms. There are small but significant distortions of the metal co-ordination from ideal square-planar geometry. Thus, the P(1)-Pt-P(2) angle is only 86.0(1)°: this may be attributed to a constraint of chelation. There is also a slight opening of the P(2)-Pt-Cl(2) angle to 94.1(1)° and the P(2)-Pt-Cl(1) angle is only 175.2(1)°. In addition, the platinum, phosphorus and chlorine atoms deviate significantly by up to  $\pm 0.02$  Å from the metal co-ordination plane: similar distortions have been observed in a number of monomeric, square-planar complexes of platinum(II) and have been attributed to ligand-ligand repulsions.<sup>47</sup> That the molecule is subject to steric strain is shown by a number of short intramolecular contacts (Table 2.10(d)). Thus, the shortest contact involving the phenyl carbon atoms is 3.14 Å between C(16) and C(21); contacts of a similar magnitude have been observed in other arylphosphine derivatives<sup>48</sup> and in the triphenylphosphine molecule.<sup>52</sup> The C···Cl and C(methylene)···F contacts may



also indicate strain; the C...F distances do not result from hydrogen bonding since the shortest H...F contact is 2.70 Å involving H(3a) and F(21) and this is ca. 0.15 Å longer than the sum of the van der Waals radii of hydrogen (1.2 Å) and fluorine (1.35 Å) atoms.<sup>44</sup> The CF<sub>3</sub>...CF<sub>3</sub> intramolecular distances are unexceptional, the shortest distance being 3.07 Å involving C(2) and F(12); they lead to a contact radius of ca. 1.8 Å for the trifluoromethyl carbon atom and this is not unduly short.

The five-membered chelate ring is puckered with the methylene atoms C(3) and C(4) displaced by -0.24 and +0.37 Å, respectively, from the platinum co-ordination plane. Bidentate chelating ligands, such as diphosphines, are expected to display a variety of conformations (symmetrical and unsymmetrical) of nearly equivalent energy.<sup>70</sup> In the title complex the conformation exhibited is intermediate between those of the envelope (C<sub>s</sub>) and half-chair (C<sub>2</sub>) forms, being closer to the latter type: of the torsion angles given in Table 2.10(c), the ones of primary interest are those about the Pt-P bonds, P(1)-Pt-P(2)-C(3) -7.4(3) and P(2)-Pt-P(1)-C(4) -13.5(3)<sup>o</sup>, and that about the central C-C bond, P(2)-C(3)-C(4)-P(1) -42.0(6)<sup>o</sup>. These values are normal, being in the range found in a number of other metal-diphosphine systems.<sup>71</sup>

The Geometry of the Phosphine Ligands - The geometry of the phenyl-substituted phosphine is normal.<sup>48</sup> Thus, the P-C(sp<sup>2</sup>) distances (mean value 1.812(6) Å), the P-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) separation of 1.830(9) Å and the C(sp<sup>2</sup>)-C(sp<sup>2</sup>) distances (mean values 1.375(7) and 1.375(9) Å) are similar to the corresponding values found in monotertiary phosphine derivatives of platinum(II).<sup>49</sup> In addition, the Pt-P-C and

C-P-C angles display the expected deviations<sup>48</sup> from the ideal tetrahedral value; respective ranges are 107.8(2) to 116.7(2)<sup>o</sup> and 105.4(3) to 107.0(3)<sup>o</sup>. Moreover, the endocyclic phenyl angles at the ipso-carbon atoms [120.1(6) and 118.8(7)<sup>o</sup>] are normal.<sup>54</sup>

In contrast, the P-CF<sub>3</sub> bond lengths in the trifluoromethylphosphine ligand are longer than expected: the individual lengths are equal and their mean value of 1.877(7) Å differs from the corresponding P-C(phenyl) value by ca. 0.07 Å which is 0.04 Å longer than would be predicted from the covalent radii<sup>59</sup> of sp<sup>3</sup> and sp<sup>2</sup> hybridised carbon atoms (0.77 and 0.74 Å respectively). Angular distortions in the same sense as those found in the PPh<sub>2</sub> fragment are evident. However, the C-P-C angles, which range from 99.7(4) to 104.4(4)<sup>o</sup>, are decidedly smaller; in particular, the CF<sub>3</sub>-P-CF<sub>3</sub> angle is 7.3(5)<sup>o</sup> smaller than the corresponding C(Ph)-P-C(Ph) angle.

The respective ranges of Pt-P-C angles overlap but, on the whole, the angles at the P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> group (range 112.1(2) - 119.5(3)<sup>o</sup>) are slightly larger. The bonding differences of the phosphine ligands are discussed, in some detail, below.

The C-F bond lengths are in excellent agreement ( $\chi^2 = 0.6$  on 5 degrees of freedom); their mean value of 1.301(5) Å is somewhat shorter than that obtained<sup>50</sup> from a number of fluoroparaffins (1.333(5) Å), and the values in cyclic polyfluorophosphines of general formula [P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>n</sub> (mean 1.34 Å),<sup>50</sup> but it is in agreement with the corresponding mean separation of 1.30(1) Å in the analogous complex cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(F<sub>3</sub>CSCMeCH<sub>2</sub>SCF<sub>3</sub>)]:<sup>72</sup> this contraction can best be attributed to the effects of the high thermal vibration of the

fluorine atoms. The P-C-F and F-C-F angles are nearly regular with mean values of  $110.9(9)$  and  $107.6(6)^\circ$ , respectively.

The P-C(methylene) bond lengths [ $1.846(7)$  and  $1.830(9)$  Å] are normal.<sup>49</sup> Moreover, the C(3)-C(4) separation of  $1.519(10)$  Å is similar to the accepted value<sup>50</sup> of  $1.54$  Å for a C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) bond length, and the P-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub> interbond angles [ $110.1(5)$  and  $108.7(6)^\circ$ ] are close to  $109^\circ 28'$ .

Metal-Ligand Bonding and *trans*-Influence - The most noteworthy feature of the molecular structure is the extremely short Pt-P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> bond [ $2.168(2)$  Å]. Prior to this work, the shortest Pt-P(phosphine) distance observed in 56 monomeric platinum(II) phosphine complexes for which structural data are available was that of  $2.215(4)$  Å in the [PtCl<sub>3</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)]<sup>-</sup> anion.<sup>64</sup> Furthermore, the Pt-Cl(*trans* to P(2)) distance,  $2.315(2)$  Å, indicates that the *trans*-influence of the P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> group is substantially less than that of a trialkyl- or triarylphosphine, being comparable with that of isocyanide or chloride:<sup>3</sup> the Pt-Cl(*trans* to C) distance<sup>47</sup> in *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CNEt)(PEt<sub>2</sub>Ph)] is  $2.314(10)$  Å and the mean length of the Pt-Cl(*trans* to Cl) bonds in five platinum (II) complexes is  $2.303(5)$  Å.<sup>3</sup> In contrast, the Pt-PPh<sub>2</sub> and Pt-Cl(*trans* to PPh<sub>2</sub>) distances [ $2.244(2)$  and  $2.371(2)$  Å, respectively] are normal, being equal within experimental error to the corresponding distances in five other complexes of the type *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>L(PR<sub>3</sub>)] where R is alkyl or aryl, and L is carbenoid, isocyanide or phosphine (Table 2.7 and refs. therein). The highly significant difference of  $0.076(3)$  Å ( $\Delta/\sigma = 25$ ) in the Pt-P distances in the title complex must be predominantly of electronic origin since the substituents on the atoms P(1) and P(2) appear to have similar steric

bulk but markedly different electron-withdrawing ability. Thus, the minimum cone angles of the phosphines are  $120^\circ$  (trifluoromethyl) and  $125^\circ$  (phenylphosphine), and the corresponding values of Tolman's  $\sum X_i$  parameter are 41.0 and  $10.4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , respectively.<sup>46</sup>

The striking difference in the Pt-P bond lengths is paralleled by that in the  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constants:  $^1J(\text{Pt-PPh}_2) = 3120$  and  $^1J(\text{Pt-P}(\text{CF}_3)_2) = 4013 \text{ Hz}$  - a difference of ca. 900 Hz. However, in the complex cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\}]$  the coupling constants  $^1J(\text{Pt-PPh}_2)$  [3445 Hz] and  $^1J(\text{Pt-P}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2)$  [3845 Hz] differ by only ca. 400 Hz.<sup>69</sup> Thus, the coupling constant increases in the order  $\text{PPh}_2 < \text{P}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2 < \text{P}(\text{CF}_3)_2$ . It seems reasonable to relate this trend to increasing electron-withdrawing ability of the phosphine substituents. Thus, Tolman has assigned electron-withdrawing parameters ( $X_i$ ) 4.3, 11.2 and  $19.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  to the  $\text{Ph}^-$ ,  $\text{C}_6\text{F}_5^-$  and  $\text{CF}_3^-$  substituents, respectively; of the 47 substituents examined, trifluoromethyl was found to be the most electronegative.<sup>46</sup>

Bent considered bond lengths and angles in relation to hybridisation in  $\text{PX}_3$ ,  $\text{X}_3\text{PO}$  and  $\text{X}_3\text{PS}$  derivatives.<sup>73</sup> His rules predict that the phosphorus atom with the more electronegative substituents will have the greater s-character <sup>in the lone pair orbital</sup>. Applied to the title complex, they lead to a shorter Pt-P bond for the trifluoromethyl-substituted phosphine and a higher  $^1J(\text{Pt-P})$  coupling constant. In addition, the C-P-C angles should be smaller and the P-C bonds longer than the corresponding values of the phenyl-substituted phosphine (allowance, of course, being made for the difference in covalent radii of  $\text{sp}^3$  and  $\text{sp}^2$  hybridised carbon atoms). Although the structural parameters and coupling constants are in agreement with these predictions, there

are a number of objections to this interpretation. It implies that the less basic phosphorus atom forms a shorter and presumably stronger Pt-P bond. Moreover, it requires that the Pt-P bond lengths and the phosphine trans-influence be extremely sensitive to small variations in the hybridisation of the phosphorus atoms: an analogy can be drawn with the relative trans-influence of carbon-donor ligands where  $sp^3$ ,  $sp^2$  and  $sp$  hybridised carbon atoms have similar trans-influence on Pt-Cl bonds.<sup>3</sup> The extremely short Pt-P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> bond can best be attributed to substantial backdonation from the platinum ion engendered by the electron-withdrawal of the trifluoromethyl groups. On this basis, the high  $^1J(\text{Pt}-\text{P}(\text{CF}_3)_2)$  coupling constant arises from synergic enhancement of the Pt-P  $\sigma$ -bonding. Furthermore, the small trans-influence of the P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> group is expected by analogy with carbon-donor ligand systems (Sec. 2.3.3) where it has been shown that there is a marked decrease in trans-influence if  $\pi$ -backdonation is significant.<sup>3</sup>

In conclusion, there are no significant differences between comparable bond lengths and angles in the present complex and its palladium analogue<sup>66</sup> with the exception of the M-P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> bond length which is 0.025(4) Å shorter in the platinum complex.

TABLE 2.9

(a) Fractional atomic co-ordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and vibrational parametersfor cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>{Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>}]

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
Pt	3539.7(2)	2003.9(1)	2342.9(1)	*
P(1)	2481(1)	2687(1)	1016(1)	*
P(2)	5464(2)	2618(1)	2234(1)	*
Cl(1)	1391(2)	1399(1)	2342(1)	*
Cl(2)	4669(2)	1232(1)	3719(1)	*
F(11)	7938(6)	2181(5)	2046(6)	*
F(12)	7658(7)	1579(6)	3202(5)	*
F(13)	6599(7)	987(5)	1970(6)	*
F(21)	7414(7)	3976(5)	2901(6)	*
F(22)	6624(9)	3331(5)	3861(4)	*
F(23)	5418(7)	4326(4)	2938(5)	*
C(1)	7020(10)	1805(7)	2379(7)	78(2)
C(2)	6312(10)	3613(7)	3039(7)	77(2)
C(3)	5210(8)	3160(5)	1144(5)	60(2)
C(4)	3725(7)	3557(5)	789(5)	49(1)
C(11)	902(6)	3390(4)	906(4)	39(1)
C(12)	1022(7)	4280(5)	1318(5)	53(2)
C(13)	-190(8)	4811(6)	1255(5)	63(2)
C(14)	-1469(8)	4453(5)	782(5)	63(2)
C(15)	-1596(8)	3582(6)	364(6)	66(2)
C(16)	-406(7)	3030(5)	431(5)	56(2)
C(21)	2040(6)	1800(4)	130(4)	44(1)
C(22)	1628(8)	2114(5)	-738(6)	66(2)
C(23)	1206(9)	1432(6)	-1431(6)	72(2)
C(24)	1225(10)	473(7)	-1251(6)	78(2)
C(25)	1589(10)	157(7)	-402(7)	88(3)

TABLE 2.9 (Cont'd)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
C(26)	2033(9)	819(6)	297(6)	73(2)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp[-2\pi^2 \sum_{ij} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* h_i h_j]$ . The final values of the  $U_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^3$ ) are:

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{23}$
Pt	38.5(1)	33.8(1)	33.4(1)	-0.1(1)	12.4(1)	1.5(1)
P(1)	38.5(7)	33.0(6)	34.8(8)	0.7(5)	12.5(6)	1.2(6)
P(2)	37.5(8)	43.9(8)	56.9(11)	0.1(6)	13.0(7)	6.6(8)
Cl(1)	53.0(9)	63.0(10)	59.7(10)	-13.2(7)	25.0(8)	6.3(8)
Cl(2)	66.7(10)	76.0(12)	41.6(9)	5.0(9)	9.9(8)	16.9(8)
F(11)	65(3)	148(6)	213(8)	36(3)	85(4)	83(5)
F(12)	101(4)	165(6)	136(6)	73(4)	34(4)	72(5)
F(13)	105(5)	106(5)	236(9)	31(4)	73(6)	-33(6)
F(21)	108(5)	130(5)	194(8)	-79(4)	30(5)	-24(5)
F(22)	192(7)	93(4)	81(4)	-41(4)	-23(5)	-13(4)
F(23)	137(5)	66(3)	148(6)	4(3)	10(5)	-39(4)

TABLE 2.9 (Cont'd)

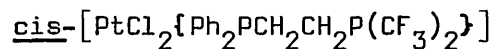
(b) Calculated fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and assumed isotropic temperature factors for hydrogen atoms; each hydrogen atom is numbered according to the carbon atom to which it is attached.

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
H(3a)	591	370	118	70
H(3b)	535	265	72	70
H(4a)	345	368	13	59
H(4b)	367	420	109	59
H(12)	197	456	168	63
H(13)	-12	547	154	73
H(14)	-235	483	77	75
H(15)	-255	335	0	76
H(16)	-50	238	11	66
H(22)	166	284	-87	75
H(23)	83	165	-208	83
H(24)	97	-3	-176	84
H(25)	161	-57	-26	97
H(26)	229	57	93	81



TABLE 2.10

Selected interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) in

(a) Bond lengths

Pt-P(1)	2.244(2)	C(2)-F(21)	1.296(12)
Pt-P(2)	2.168(2)	C(2)-F(22)	1.304(12)
Pt-Cl(1)	2.315(2)	C(2)-F(23)	1.302(11)
Pt-Cl(2)	2.371(2)	Mean	1.301(5)
P(1)-C(11)	1.817(6)	C(11)-C(12)	1.371(9)
P(1)-C(21)	1.806(6)	C(12)-C(13)	1.396(10)
Mean	1.812(6)	C(13)-C(14)	1.358(11)
P(2)-C(1)	1.874(10)	C(14)-C(15)	1.352(11)
P(2)-C(2)	1.878(10)	C(15)-C(16)	1.391(10)
Mean	1.876(7)	C(16)-C(11)	1.382(9)
		Mean	1.375(7)
P(1)-C(4)	1.846(7)	C(21)-C(22)	1.379(11)
P(2)-C(3)	1.830(8)	C(22)-C(23)	1.404(12)
C(3)-C(4)	1.519(10)	C(23)-C(24)	1.343(13)
		C(24)-C(25)	1.354(14)
C(1)-F(11)	1.309(12)	C(25)-C(26)	1.394(13)
C(1)-F(12)	1.299(13)	C(26)-C(21)	1.370(10)
C(1)-F(13)	1.297(12)	Mean	1.375(9)

TABLE 2.10 (Cont'd)

(b) Interbond angles

Cl(1)-Pt-Cl(2)	90.7(1)	P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	110.1(5)
Cl(1)-Pt-P(1)	89.2(1)	P(2)-C(3)-C(4)	108.7(5)
P(2)-Pt-Cl(2)	94.1(1)		
P(2)-Pt-P(1)	86.0(1)	P(2)-C(1)-F(11)	112.7(7)
P(1)-Pt-Cl(2)	178.0(1)	P(2)-C(1)-F(12)	112.9(7)
P(2)-Pt-Cl(1)	175.2(1)	P(2)-C(1)-F(13)	109.0(7)
		P(2)-C(2)-F(21)	112.9(7)
Pt-P(1)-C(11)	116.6(2)	P(2)-C(2)-F(22)	112.4(7)
Pt-P(1)-C(21)	112.3(2)	P(2)-C(2)-F(23)	108.3(7)
Mean	115(2)	Mean	110.9(9)
Pt-P(1)-C(4)	107.8(2)		
		F(11)-C(1)-F(12)	108.5(8)
Pt-P(2)-C(1)	119.5(3)	F(11)-C(1)-F(13)	107.2(9)
Pt-P(2)-C(2)	116.7(3)	F(12)-C(1)-F(13)	106.1(9)
Mean	118.1(14)	F(21)-C(2)-F(22)	109.9(9)
Pt-P(2)-C(3)	112.1(3)	F(21)-C(2)-F(23)	106.6(8)
		F(22)-C(2)-F(23)	106.3(9)
C(11)-P(1)-C(4)	105.4(3)	Mean	107.6(6)
C(21)-P(1)-C(4)	107.1(3)		
Mean	106.2(8)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	119.2(6)
C(11)-P(1)-C(21)	107.0(3)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	120.2(7)
		C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	121.0(7)
C(1)-P(2)-C(3)	102.4(4)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	119.9(7)
C(2)-P(2)-C(3)	104.4(4)	C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	119.6(6)
Mean	103.4(10)	C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	120.1(6)
C(1)-P(2)-C(2)	99.6(4)	Mean	119.9(3)
		C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	120.0(6)
P(1)-C(11)-C(12)	119.0(5)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	120.2(8)

TABLE 2.10 (Cont'd)

P(1)-C(11)-C(16)	120.9(5)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	120.4(9)
P(1)-C(21)-C(22)	119.6(5)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	120.4(9)
P(1)-C(21)-C(26)	121.5(5)	C(25)-C(26)-C(21)	120.2(8)
Mean	119.9(6)	C(26)-C(21)-C(22)	118.8(6)
		Mean	119.9(3)

TABLE 2.10 (Cont'd)

(c) Torsion angles

Pt-P(1)-C(4)-C(3)	36.4(5)	Pt-P(2)-C(3)-C(4)	31.4(6)
P(1)-Pt-P(2)-C(3)	-7.4(3)	P(2)-Pt-P(1)-C(4)	-13.5(3)
P(2)-C(3)-C(4)-P(1)	-42.0(6)		

TABLE 2.10(Cont'd)

(d) Intramolecular non-bonded distances within the limits of the contact radii (Å): C(sp<sup>2</sup>) 1.85, C(sp<sup>3</sup>) 2.0, Cl 1.8, F 1.35, P 1.9.

CF <sub>3</sub> ···CF <sub>3</sub>			
C(1)···F(21)	3.08	C(3)···F(11)	2.98
C(1)···F(22)	3.27	C(3)···F(21)	3.17
C(2)···F(11)	3.27	C(3)···F(23)	3.22
C(2)···F(12)	3.07		
C···Cl			
C(11)···Cl(1)	3.49	C(1)···Cl(2)	3.74
C(26)···Cl(1)	3.61		
C···C			
C(2)···C(4)	3.70	C(11)···C(22)	3.42
C(3)···C(21)	3.60	C(16)···C(21)	3.14
C(4)···C(12)	3.25	C(16)···C(22)	3.42
C(4)···C(22)	3.31		

TABLE 2.10 (Cont'd)

(e) Intermolecular non-bonded contacts within the limits of the van der Waals radii:

Cl(1)···C(13 <sup>I</sup> )*	3.59	Cl(2)···C(4 <sup>II</sup> )	3.72
Cl(1)···C(22 <sup>II</sup> )	3.62	C(3)···C(15 <sup>III</sup> )	3.84
Cl(1)···C(23 <sup>II</sup> )	3.59	C(12)···C(23 <sup>II</sup> )	3.66

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the following co-ordinate transformations:

I	-x, -1/2 + y, 1/2 - z	III	1 + x, y, z
II	x, 1/2 - y, 1/2 + z		

TABLE 2.11

Least-squares planes of  $\text{cis-}[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}(\text{CF}_3)_2\}]$

Plane 1: Pt, P(1), P(2), Cl(1), Cl(2)

$$-0.314X + 0.827Y + 0.467Z - 3.158 = 0$$

[Pt 0.019, P(1) -0.022, P(2) 0.012, Cl(1) 0.011, Cl(2) -0.020,  
C(3) -0.237, C(4) 0.374]

Plane 2: C(11) - (16)

$$-0.349X - 0.450Y + 0.822Z + 1.119 = 0$$

[P(1)0.034, C(11) 0.000, C(12) -0.006, C(13) 0.004, C(14) 0.003,  
C(15) -0.009, C(16) 0.008]

Plane 3: C(21) - (26)

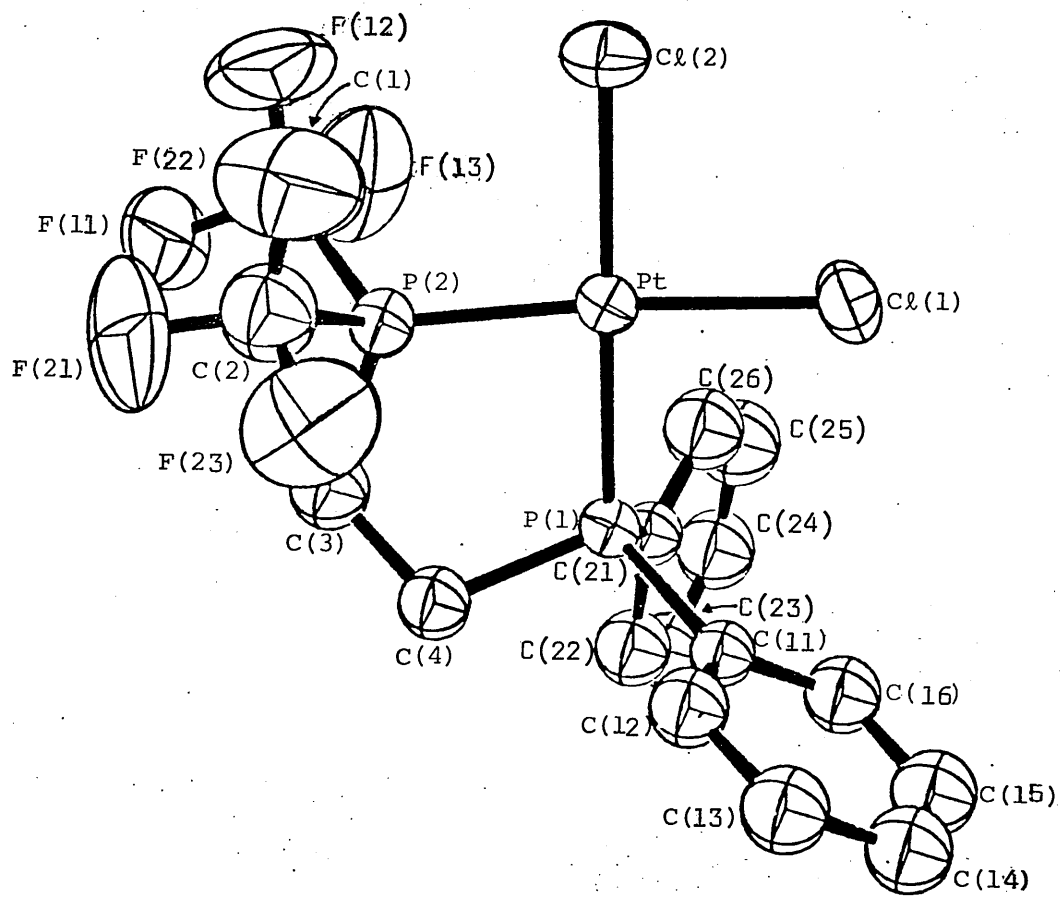
$$-0.997X + 0.073Y - 0.001Z + 1.800 = 0$$

[P(1)0.094, C(21) -0.002, C(22) 0.003, C(23) 0.007, C(24) -0.017,  
C(25) 0.017, C(26) -0.008]

Angle ( $^\circ$ ) between planes: (2) - (3) 71.7

Figure 2.4: A view of the cis-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>{Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>P(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>}]  
molecule; thermal vibration ellipsoids  
enclose 50% of probability. Hydrogen atoms  
are not shown.



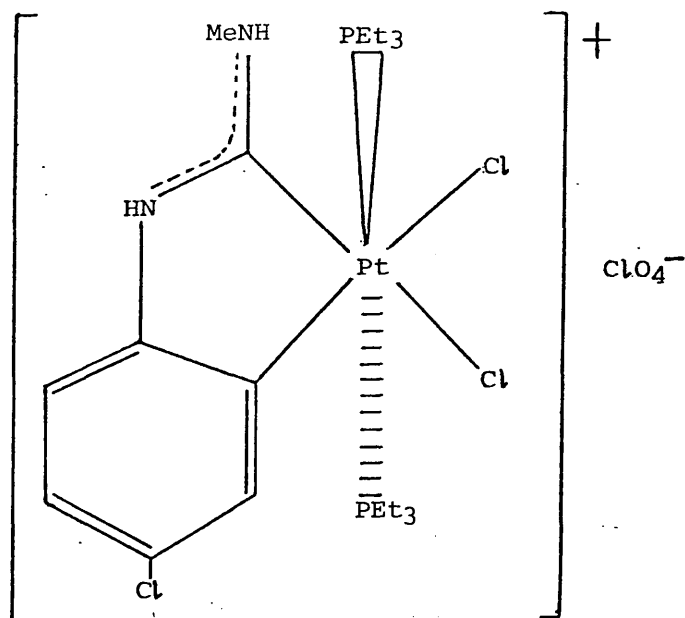


2.5. THE CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF THE PLATINUM(IV)

CARBENOID  $[PtCl_2\{C(Cl.C_6H_3NH)(NHMe)\}(PEt_3)_2\}ClO_4]$

2.5.1. INTRODUCTION

Recently Chatt, Richards, and Royston showed that the platinum(II) carbenoid complexes cis- $[PtCl_2\{C(NHR)(NHR')\}PEt_3]$  and trans- $[PtCl\{C(NHR)(NHR')\}(PEt_3)_2]ClO_4$ , where  $R = R' = Me$ , undergo oxidative addition with dichlorine to give analogous platinum(IV) carbenoid compounds. However, when  $R = Me$  or  $Et$  and  $R' = Ph$  a novel reaction occurs, apparently involving 2-metallation and 4-chlorination of the phenyl ring.<sup>74</sup> Thus, the product from trans- $[PtCl\{C(NHMe)(NHPh)\}(PEt_3)_2]ClO_4$  was formulated as (I):



(I)

An X-ray structural analysis of this product was undertaken for the following reasons.

(i) Verification of this structural assignment seemed desirable since reactions of co-ordinated carbenoid ligands are relatively unusual.<sup>75</sup>

(ii) A metallation induced by oxidation rather than reduction is unusual.<sup>76</sup>

(iii) The platinum-chlorine bond lengths would enable the relative trans-influence of  $\sigma$ -phenyl and carbenoid ligands in platinum(IV) complexes to be compared. Thus, this work forms part of the structural investigation of the trans-influence and bonding of carbon-donor ligands in platinum complexes.<sup>77</sup>

Prior to this study, structural data were available only for carbenoid complexes of metals in oxidation states 0 to II.<sup>75</sup> However, the analysis of a rhodium(III) carbenoid has been reported recently.<sup>78</sup>

A full account of the structure analysis of the title complex is available.<sup>79</sup> Accordingly, a brief description only is presented here.

The observed and final calculated structure amplitudes are listed in the Appendix [pp. 78 to 114].

## 2.5.2. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The crystals contain  $[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{C}(\text{Cl}.C_6H_3NH)(\text{NHMe})\}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]^+$  complex cations and perchlorate anions which are well separated. A perspective view of the cation is shown in Figure 2.5.

The structure of the complex cation agrees with that predicted by Chatt et al.<sup>74</sup> Mutually-cis phenyl and carbenoid carbon atoms, trans phosphorus atoms, and cis chlorine atoms define a slightly distorted octahedron about the platinum atom. The constraint imposed by the chelate ring leads to a C(13)-Pt-C(19) angle of  $80.3(4)^\circ$ , and also to a slight opening of the C(13)-Pt-Cl(2) and C(19)-Pt-Cl(3) angles to  $95.8(3)$  and  $92.8(3)^\circ$ , respectively. Other angles subtended at the platinum atom by mutually-cis ligand donor atoms are close to  $90^\circ$ .

The carbenoid carbon atom, C(19), is coplanar with the atoms N(1), N(2) and Pt, to which it is directly bonded. The methyl carbon atom, C(20), attached to N(1), also lies in this plane. The N-C (carbenoid) bond lengths ( $1.327(13)$  and  $1.347(17)$  Å) are in agreement and their mean value of  $1.337(10)$  Å is much shorter than the other N-C bonds in the cation [N-C(Ph)  $1.394(13)$  Å; N-C(Me)  $1.496(18)$  Å]. They are consistent with a bond order of approximately 1.7.<sup>75</sup>

The Pt-C(carbenoid) bond length of  $1.973(11)$  Å is  $0.061(16)$  Å shorter than the Pt-C(phenyl) bond length of  $2.034(11)$  Å. The latter value is in turn  $0.02$  Å shorter than the mean Pt(IV)-C(methyl) distance of  $2.054$  Å in several trimethylplatinum(IV) complexes,<sup>80</sup> and this difference can be almost entirely accounted for by the difference in covalent radii of  $sp^2$  and  $sp^3$  hybridised carbon atoms. The Pt-C(Ph)

bond thus appears to be single in character. It has been suggested that the order of a metal-carbon bond which is 0.1 Å shorter than the corresponding single bond will be approximately 1.2.<sup>80</sup> On this basis, it may be argued that the shortening of the Pt-C(carbenoid) bond is consistent with a bond order of about 1.1; such multiple character could arise from a small amount of Pt→C(carbenoid) backdonation.

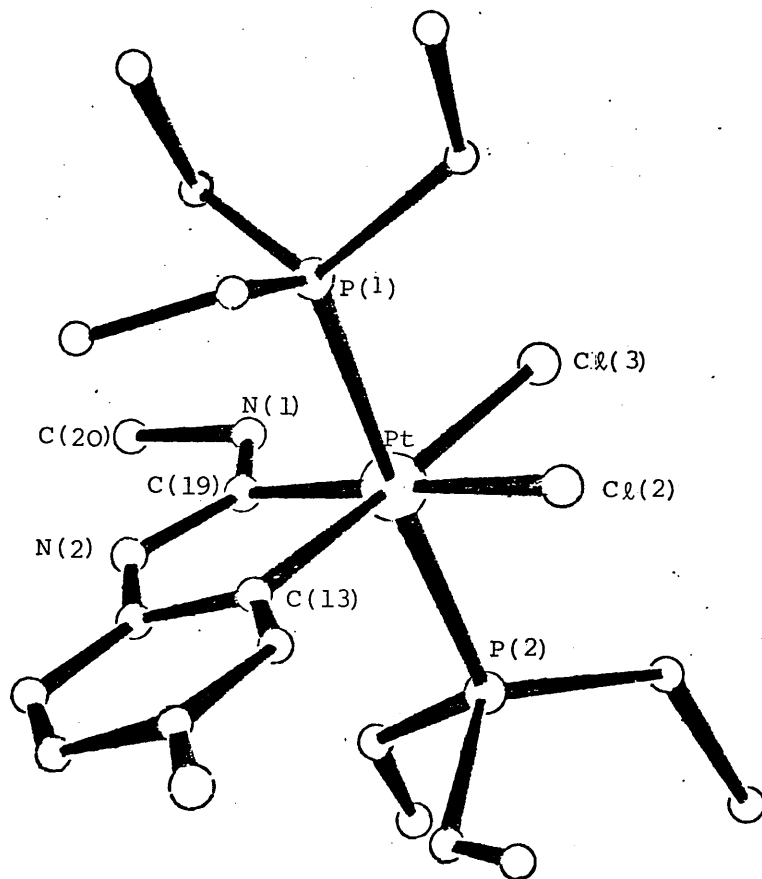
From the lengths and coplanarity of the bonds involving the carbenoid carbon atom it may be concluded that the platinum-carbenoid bonding is predominantly that indicated by the canonical structure(I) (vide supra), in which the main interaction of the vacant p orbital of the  $sp^2$  hybridised carbenoid carbon atom is with the filled p orbitals of the adjacent nitrogen atoms, which are also  $sp^2$  hybridised. The C-N-C angles at the atoms N(1) and N(2), respectively 125.5(11) and 116.8(9)<sup>o</sup>, are consistent with this view. Furthermore, there is also apparently a minor contribution from a second canonical structure, in which metal d electrons are donated to the vacant p orbital of the carbenoid carbon atom. This platinum(IV)-carbenoid bonding is strikingly similar to that observed in the platinum(II) complexes cis- and trans-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>{C(PhNCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>}PEt<sub>3</sub>].<sup>63</sup>

The Pt-Cl(trans to carbenoid) bond length of 2.372(3) Å is 0.043(5) Å shorter than the Pt-Cl(trans to phenyl) distance of 2.415(4) Å but 0.040(6) Å longer than the mean Pt-Cl bond length of 2.332(5) Å in trans-[PtCl<sub>4</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>].<sup>81</sup> These differences imply that in platinum(IV) complexes the trans-influence of the carbenoid ligand is less than that of σ-phenyl but greater than that of chloride. An identical trans-influence series pertains in complexes of platinum(II). Thus,

Pt(II)-Cl(trans to Cl) distances are normally close to 2.31 Å,<sup>0</sup> and a bond length of 2.362(3) Å<sup>0</sup> has been reported for Pt(II)-Cl (trans to C(PhNCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).<sup>63</sup> The length of a Pt(II)-Cl bond trans to σ-phenyl has apparently not been reported, but a value of 2.398(4) Å<sup>0</sup> trans to σ-alkenyl has been observed.<sup>82</sup>

The mean Pt-P bond length of 2.388(4) Å<sup>0</sup> is in good agreement with the corresponding value of 2.393(5) Å<sup>0</sup> in trans-[PtCl<sub>4</sub>(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>].<sup>81</sup> In square-planar complexes of platinum(II), however, mutually-trans Pt-P bond lengths lie in the range 2.27 - 2.32 Å.<sup>78</sup> The greater length of Pt-P bonds in octahedral platinum(IV) complexes may be related to the presence of six, rather than eight, d electrons at the metal atom. In octahedral trans-[M<sup>IV</sup>Cl<sub>4</sub>(PR<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] complexes, where M is a third row transition metal, addition of one d electron to M leads to a contraction of 0.05 Å<sup>0</sup> in the M-P bond length.<sup>81</sup> It is, however, remarkable that the lengths of the Pt-C and Pt-Cl bonds in the [PtCl<sub>2</sub>{C(Cl.C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>NH)(NHMe)}(PEt<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> cation are nearly the same as those of comparable bonds in square-planar platinum(II) complexes.

Figure 2.5: A view of the  $[\text{PtCl}_2\{\text{C}(\text{Cl.C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH})(\text{NHMe})\}(\text{PEt}_3)_2]^+$  cation. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.





2.6. THE CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF THE  
PLATINUM CYCLOOCTYNE  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\text{PPh}_3)_2] \cdot 0.5\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$

2.6.1. INTRODUCTION

Cyclohexyne and cycloheptyne are too reactive to be isolated but form stable complexes with platinum(0).<sup>83</sup> The X-ray analyses of the complexes  $[\text{PtL}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ , L = cyclohexyne or cycloheptyne, have been reported.<sup>84,85</sup> In contrast, cyclooctyne is stable; an electron diffraction study of this molecule has been reported.<sup>86</sup> The present author undertook an X-ray analysis of the cyclooctyne complex  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  for the following reasons.

- (i) to obtain accurate molecular dimensions for comparison with those of the above cycloalkyne derivatives and with acyclic alkyne complexes;
- (ii) to determine the mode of bonding of cyclooctyne to platinum(0);  
and
- (iii) to compare the conformations of the free and complexed cyclooctyne molecules.

### 2.6.2. EXPERIMENTAL

Crystal Data. -  $C_{47}H_{45}P_2Pt$ ,  $M = 866.9$ . Triclinic,  $a = 11.334(5)$ ,  
 $b = 15.931(6)$ ,  $c = 12.021(6)$  Å,  $\alpha = 97.77(5)$ ,  $\beta = 113.66(4)$ ,  
 $\gamma = 90.79(3)^\circ$ ,  $T = 20^\circ C$ ,  $U = 1964.3$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $D_c = 1.466$  gm cm<sup>-3</sup>,  
 $Z = 2$ ,  $F(000) = 870$ . Cu-K $_{\alpha}$  radiation,  $\lambda = 1.5418$  Å,  $\mu(Cu-K_{\alpha})$   
 $= 78.2$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. Space group  $P\bar{1}$ .

The crystals are white, air-stable plates. The specimen used in the analysis displayed all members of the  $\{100\}$ ,  $\{010\}$ ,  $\{110\}$ ,  $\{1\bar{1}0\}$ , and  $\{011\}$  forms, and also the  $(0\bar{1}1)$  face. It had dimensions of ca.  $0.2 \times 0.1 \times 0.2$  mm.

The crystal system and the dimensions of a Delaunay unit-cell were obtained from Weissenberg and precession photographs. Unit-cell dimensions were later adjusted by a least-squares treatment of the setting angles of 12 reflexions centred on a Hilger and Watts' Y290 diffractometer controlled by a PDP8 computer.<sup>34a</sup> The space group  $P\bar{1}$  led to a satisfactory structural model.

Intensity Measurements. - The intensities of all independent reflexions with  $\theta(Cu-K_{\alpha}) \leq 57^\circ$  were measured on the Y290 instrument with the use of nickel-filtered copper radiation and a pulse-height analyser. A symmetrical  $\theta - 2\theta$  scan was employed, with a scan step in  $\theta$  of  $0.01^\circ$  and a counting time per step of 1s. Each reflexion was scanned through a  $2\theta$  range of  $1.4^\circ$  and the local background was counted for 10s at each end of the scan range. To check crystal and electronic stability, the intensities of two strong low-angle reflexions were remeasured periodically throughout the experiment: they indicated total crystal decomposition of ca. 37% during the

course of the intensity measurements.

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ , were derived in the usual manner ( $q = 0.05$ ).<sup>35</sup> They were corrected for Lorentz, polarisation and absorption effects. The transmission factors on  $|F_o|$ , calculated by Gaussian integration over a grid of  $10 \times 8 \times 14$  points, ranged from 0.61 to 0.75.<sup>37</sup>

Of 5200 reflexions measured, only 2579 for which  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$  were used in the subsequent calculations.

Structure Analysis. - The positions of the platinum and phosphorus atoms were derived from a Patterson synthesis, and the remaining non-hydrogen atoms were located in subsequent difference syntheses. The structural model was refined by least-squares minimisation of the function  $\sum w\Delta^2$ , where  $w$  is a weight and  $\Delta = |F_o| - |F_c|$ . Initially, the weights were taken as  $1/\sigma^2(F_o)$ , but this proved unsatisfactory and in the final stages of refinement another function was employed:  $w = X \cdot Y$  where  $X = 1$  for  $\sin\theta > 0.55$ , else  $X = (\sin\theta)/0.55$ , and  $Y = 1$  for  $|F_o| > 50$ , else  $Y = 50/|F_o|$ . Atomic scattering factors were taken from ref.38a, except those for platinum<sup>39</sup> and hydrogen.<sup>40</sup> Allowance was made for the anomalous scattering of the platinum and phosphorus atoms using Cromer's values of  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$ .<sup>41</sup>

The refinement of a scale factor and of positional and isotropic thermal parameters of the platinum and phosphorus atoms led to  $R = 0.29$ . When the remaining non-hydrogen atoms were included in the refinement and anisotropic temperature factors were assigned to the platinum and phosphorus atoms  $R$  fell to 0.16. Eight individual scale factors were included to account for the crystal decomposition, thus reducing

R to 0.11. The intensities were corrected for absorption. In addition, the hydrogen atom positions were inferred and the scattering of these atoms was included in subsequent structure factor calculations but their positional parameters were not varied. The refinement converged at R 0.093 and R<sup>w</sup> 0.122. In the final cycle of refinement all parameters shifted by less than 0.5 $\sigma$ . The mean values of  $w\Delta^2$  showed no systematic trend when analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin \theta$ . The extreme function values in the final difference synthesis (2.1 and -3.0 e  $\text{\AA}^{-3}$ ) were associated with the position of the platinum atom.

The observed structure amplitudes and calculated structure factors are listed in the Appendix (pp.115 to 131). Final atomic parameters and a selection of derived functions are presented in Tables 2.12 - 2.14. A view of the molecular structure is shown in Figure 2.6.

The computer programs used were those described in Sec. 2.3.2.

### 2.6.3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The crystals are composed of discrete  $[(C_8H_{12})Pt(PPh_3)_2]$  and benzene (solvate) molecules in a 2:1 ratio. The distances between atoms in neighbouring molecules are typical of van der Waals contacts (Table 2.13(e)).<sup>44</sup>

As a result of the rather severe crystal decomposition, the structural parameters are ill-determined. The C-C bond distances of the phenyl rings, for example, range from 1.22(7) to 1.50(5) Å.<sup>0</sup> However,  $\chi^2 = 43$  for 36 such distances and so it appears that the standard deviations from the least-squares refinement are realistic estimates of the true experimental errors.<sup>87</sup> Accordingly, the structural parameters are of sufficient accuracy for a discussion of the salient features of the molecular structure.

The Metal Co-ordination. - As expected, the molecules of  $[(C_8H_{12})Pt(PPh_3)_2]$  have a trigonal-planar co-ordination at the platinum atom with one site occupied by a more or less symmetrically co-ordinated multiple bond.<sup>88</sup> The metal co-ordination geometry is very similar to that found in the analogous cyclohexyne and cycloheptyne complexes and to that in the acyclic-alkyne complex  $[(PhC\equiv CPh)Pt(PPh_3)_2]$ .<sup>89</sup> Selected bond lengths and interbond angles in the title complex, in related complexes, and in cyclooctyne are presented in Table 2.15. It can be seen that the corresponding Pt-P and Pt-C distances and the C-Pt-C interbond angles are comparable in all the complexes. The P-Pt-P angles vary from 102 to 111<sup>0</sup>. They fall into two distinct groups: the values in the cyclooctyne and cyclohexyne complexes are similar, as are those in the cycloheptyne and diphenylacetylene derivatives. In addition, the dihedral angle of 1<sup>0</sup> between

the [Pt, P(1), P(2)] and [Pt, C(1), C(2)] planes in the title complex is in the range expected.<sup>88</sup>

The Cyclooctyne Ring. - It is a general feature of alkene or alkyne molecules co-ordinated to a transition metal that the C-C multiple bond is longer than that found in the free ligand.<sup>88</sup> On this basis, and by comparison with the dimensions of the acetylenic bonds in related complexes (Table 2.15), the co-ordinated alkyne linkage is a little short: bond distances in the free and bound cyclooctyne are 1.232(6) and 1.20(5) Å, respectively, and the corresponding values in the related cycloalkyne complexes are equal at 1.29(2) Å. However, the bond separations involving the acetylenic and adjacent carbon atoms [mean 1.52(4) Å] and the remaining C-C bond lengths [mean C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) distance = 1.51(5) Å] are normal, being similar to the values observed in the related cyclic derivatives and in cyclooctyne itself.

The most generally applicable theory of the bonding of unsaturated hydrocarbons to transition metals appears to be the Dewar-Chatt model.<sup>90</sup> On this basis, the angular distortions at the acetylenic atoms indicate that the relative importance of C → M σ- and M → C π-interactions is similar in the three cycloalkyne complexes. Thus, the C-C≡C fragment bends by comparable amounts [12 - 16°] upon complexation as judged from the angles found in these three complexes, in free cyclooctyne, and predicted<sup>83</sup> for free cyclohexyne and cycloheptyne.

The interbond angles in the title complex involving sp<sup>3</sup> hybridised carbon atoms [mean 120(3)°] are considerably greater than the ideal tetrahedral value [109°28'] and comparable with those in the cycloheptyne complex [mean 120(1)°]; the corresponding angles in the cyclohexyne complex are somewhat smaller [mean 114°]. However, in free

cyclooctyne the  $C(sp^3)-C(sp^3)-C(sp^3)$  angles are more nearly regular [mean  $109.9(6)^\circ$ ]. These distortions may be attributed to ring strain engendered by the angular deformations at the acetylenic atoms upon complexation.

The conformations of the free and bound cyclooctyne molecules are different. In the gas phase the ring adopts a half-chair conformation with the atoms C(1)-(4) and C(7)-(8) coplanar, and C(5) and C(6) symmetrically displaced on opposite sides of the plane by  $0.57 \text{ \AA}$ . In the title complex the ring displays a half-boat conformation with the same six atoms coplanar within experimental error and atoms C(5) and C(6) displaced on the same side of the plane by  $0.87$  and  $1.14 \text{ \AA}$ , respectively. This conformation change presumably originates from non-bonded interactions arising from the deformations at the acetylenic atoms upon ligation rather than from crystal-packing forces. However, it is not possible to make a definite assertion since a molecular mechanics calculation<sup>91</sup> is not feasible at present due to lack of the necessary force-field parameters.

The Phosphine Ligand. - The geometry of the phosphine ligands is normal.<sup>48</sup> Thus, the Pt-P-C and C-P-C angles display the expected deviations from regular tetrahedral geometry. The mean P-C and C-C distances are  $1.83(1)$  and  $1.42(2) \text{ \AA}$ , respectively, and the phenyl rings are planar to within  $\pm 0.04 \text{ \AA}$ .

The Benzene Solvate. - The C-C bond lengths [mean  $1.34(4) \text{ \AA}$ ] and internal interbond angles [mean  $119(3)^\circ$ ] are close to the corresponding values for benzene.<sup>50</sup> The ring is planar to within  $\pm 0.02 \text{ \AA}$ .

TABLE 2.12

Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and vibrational parametersfor  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\text{PPh}_3)_2] \cdot 0.5\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ 

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
Pt	141.7(1)	279.6(1)	364.8(1)	*
P(1)	222.5(7)	247.4(4)	225.0(8)	*
P(2)	-71.6(7)	298.1(4)	273.6(8)	*
C(1)	206(3)	296(2)	550(3)	60(7)
C(2)	298(3)	278(2)	528(3)	76(8)
C(3)	443(4)	267(2)	568(4)	104(12)
C(4)	501(5)	278(3)	720(5)	130(15)
C(5)	470(5)	232(3)	789(5)	127(15)
C(6)	343(5)	228(3)	788(5)	137(16)
C(7)	271(4)	308(3)	778(4)	119(13)
C(8)	160(3)	305(2)	651(4)	85(10)
C(11)	325(3)	158(2)	262(3)	65(7)
C(12)	455(3)	165(2)	290(4)	96(11)
C(13)	528(4)	94(3)	334(4)	108(12)
C(14)	466(4)	23(3)	349(5)	122(14)
C(15)	341(3)	13(2)	321(4)	90(10)
C(16)	266(4)	84(2)	277(4)	101(11)
C(21)	337(2)	328(2)	223(3)	56(7)
C(22)	382(3)	327(2)	134(3)	65(7)
C(23)	472(3)	388(2)	137(4)	93(10)
C(24)	514(3)	456(2)	236(4)	82(9)
C(25)	470(4)	463(2)	319(4)	95(11)
C(26)	377(3)	399(2)	321(3)	78(9)
C(31)	128(3)	217(2)	58(3)	64(7)
C(32)	32(3)	267(2)	2(3)	80(9)
C(33)	-43(4)	247(2)	-135(4)	100(11)



TABLE 2.12 (Cont'd)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
C(34)	-15(4)	176(2)	-199(4)	103(12)
C(35)	76(5)	124(3)	-144(5)	134(16)
C(36)	150(3)	143(2)	-8(4)	87(10)
C(41)	-114(3)	380(2)	176(3)	67(8)
C(42)	-27(3)	450(2)	202(3)	78(9)
C(43)	-53(4)	514(2)	129(4)	100(11)
C(44)	-168(4)	510(2)	26(4)	100(11)
C(45)	-253(4)	441(3)	1(4)	107(12)
C(46)	-230(3)	376(2)	71(3)	84(9)
C(51)	-143(3)	333(2)	384(3)	64(7)
C(52)	-175(3)	280(2)	438(4)	92(10)
C(53)	-221(3)	301(2)	537(4)	95(11)
C(54)	-234(4)	391(2)	553(4)	99(11)
C(55)	-204(4)	446(3)	504(4)	108(12)
C(56)	-158(3)	421(2)	414(3)	71(8)
C(61)	-183(3)	209(2)	173(3)	62(7)
C(62)	-134(3)	151(2)	112(3)	73(8)
C(63)	-223(4)	82(2)	21(4)	99(11)
C(64)	-344(4)	75(2)	10(4)	101(11)
C(65)	-396(3)	130(2)	74(4)	93(10)
C(66)	-312(3)	201(2)	159(3)	71(8)
C(100)	101(4)	-28(3)	597(5)	122(14)
C(101)	119(5)	32(3)	538(5)	136(16)
C(102)	22(5)	61(3)	440(5)	139(17)

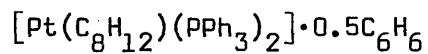
\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp [-2\pi^2 \sum_{i,j} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* h_i h_j]$ . The final values of the  $U_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^3$ ) are:

TABLE 2.12 (Cont'd)

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{23}$
Pt	60(3)	56(2)	62(2)	-3(1)	-3(1)	-5(1)
P(1)	65(5)	50(4)	93(6)	-2(3)	-13(5)	-6(4)
P(2)	68(5)	59(4)	58(6)	-14(3)	12(4)	-5(3)

TABLE 2.13

Selected interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) in

(a) Bond lengths(i)  $\text{PtP}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})$ 

Pt-P(1)	2.22(1)	C(3)-C(4)	1.65(7)
Pt-P(2)	2.26(1)	C(4)-C(5)	1.32(9)
Mean	2.24(2)	C(5)-C(6)	1.44(8)
Pt-C(1)	2.02(3)	C(6)-C(7)	1.52(7)
Pt-C(2)	2.05(3)	C(7)-C(8)	1.53(5)
Mean	2.04(2)	Mean	1.51(5)
C(1)-C(2)	1.20(5)	P(1)-C(11)	1.84(3)
		P(1)-C(21)	1.83(3)
C(1)-C(8)	1.49(6)	P(1)-C(31)	1.85(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.54(5)	P(2)-C(41)	1.81(3)
Mean	1.52(4)	P(2)-C(51)	1.84(4)
		P(2)-C(61)	1.82(2)
		Mean	1.83(1)

## (ii) Phenyl and solvent

<u>Ring atoms</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Mean</u>
C(11)-(16)	1.32(6)-1.45(5)	1.41(2)
C(21)-(26)	1.28(7)-1.46(4)	1.40(2)
C(31)-(36)	1.35(6)-1.50(5)	1.42(2)
C(41)-(46)	1.37(5)-1.40(4)	1.39(2)
C(51)-(56)	1.22(7)-1.48(7)	1.40(4)
C(61)-(66)	1.33(6)-1.48(4)	1.42(2)
C(100)-(102)*	1.33(8)-1.38(7)	1.36(4)

\* Benzene solvate

TABLE 2.13 (Cont'd)(b) Interbond angles(i)  $\text{PtP}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})$ 

P(1)-Pt-C(2)	103(1)	C(11)-P(1)-C(21)	101(1)
P(2)-Pt-C(1)	112(1)	C(11)-P(1)-C(31)	102(1)
Mean	108(5)	C(21)-P(1)-C(31)	99(1)
P(1)-Pt-P(2)	110.8(3)	C(41)-P(2)-C(51)	102(1)
C(1)-Pt-C(2)	34(1)	C(41)-P(2)-C(61)	101(1)
		C(51)-P(2)-C(61)	103(1)
P(1)-Pt-C(1)	138(1)	Mean	101.3(6)
P(2)-Pt-C(2)	146(1)		
Mean	142(4)	C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	152(3)
		C(2)-C(1)-C(8)	142(3)
Pt-C(1)-C(2)	74(2)	Mean	147(5)
Pt-C(2)-C(1)	71(2)		
Mean	73(2)	C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	104(4)
		C(1)-C(8)-C(7)	113(3)
Pt-P(1)-C(11)	110(1)	Mean	109(5)
Pt-P(1)-C(21)	115(1)		
Pt-P(1)-C(31)	126(1)	C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	128(4)
Pt-P(2)-C(41)	115(1)	C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	122(4)
Pt-P(2)-C(51)	113(1)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	119(4)
Pt-P(2)-C(61)	119(1)	C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	112(3)
Mean	116(2)	Mean	120(3)

## (ii) Phenyl and solvent

<u>Ring atoms</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Mean</u>
C(11)-(16)	116(3)-124(4)	120(1)
C(21)-(26)	116(4)-123(3)	120(1)
C(31)-(36)	118(3)-123(4)	120(1)
C(41)-(46)	116(3)-124(3)	120(1)
C(51)-(56)	108(4)-129(5)	120(3)

TABLE 2.13 (Cont'd)

<u>Ring atoms</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Mean</u>
C(61)-(66)	117(3)-125(3)	121(2)
C(100)-(102)	116(4)-125(5)	119(3)

(c) Torsion angles

C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	10(8)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	106(5)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	62(6)	C(6)-C(7)-C(8)-C(1)	-59(5)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	-67(8)	C(7)-C(8)-C(1)-C(2)	-14(7)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	-37(7)	C(8)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-20(11)

TABLE 2.13 (Cont'd)

(d) Intramolecular non-bonded distances

$C_8H_{12}$ Ring			
C(1)···C(4)	3.19	C(3)···C(6)	3.39
C(1)···C(5)	3.50	C(3)···C(7)	3.76
C(1)···C(6)	3.02	C(3)···C(8)	3.75
C(2)···C(5)	3.15	C(4)···C(7)	2.99
C(2)···C(6)	3.17	C(4)···C(8)	3.66
C(2)···C(7)	3.11	C(5)···C(8)	3.53
$C_8H_{12} \cdots PPh_3$			
C(3)···P(1)	3.84	C(3)···C(26)	3.71
C(3)···C(11)	3.55	C(8)···C(51)	3.72
C(3)···C(12)	3.57	C(8)···C(52)	3.61
Ph···Ph			
C(11)···C(36)	3.03	C(46)···C(61)	3.04
C(12)···C(21)	2.99	C(51)···C(66)	3.10
C(22)···C(31)	3.08	C(52)···C(61)	3.20
C(41)···C(56)	3.08	C(52)···C(66)	3.14

TABLE 2.13 (Cont'd)

(e) Intermolecular non-bonded distances

C(5)···C(65 <sup>I</sup> )	3.75	C(24)···C(55 <sup>III</sup> )	3.54
C(6)···C(35 <sup>II</sup> )	3.84	C(24)···C(56 <sup>III</sup> )	3.57
C(12)···C(65 <sup>III</sup> )	3.61	C(25)···C(55 <sup>III</sup> )	3.50
C(12)···C(66 <sup>III</sup> )	3.65	C(36)···C(63 <sup>V</sup> )	3.68
C(13)···C(65 <sup>III</sup> )	3.67	C(42)···C(55 <sup>VI</sup> )	3.60
C(14)···C(14 <sup>IV</sup> )	3.57	C(43)···C(44 <sup>VII</sup> )	3.67

The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the equivalent positions relative to the reference molecule at x, y, z:

I	1 + x,	y,	1 + z	V	- x,	-y,	- z
II	x,	y,	1 + z	VI	- x,	1 - y,	1 - z
III	1 + x,	y,	z	VII	- x,	1 - y,	- z
IV	1 - x,	- y,	1 - z				

TABLE 2.14

Least-squares planes of  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\text{PPh}_3)_2] \cdot 0.5\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$

Plane 1: Pt, P(1), P(2)

$$-0.204X - 0.978Y - 0.036Z + 3.853 = 0$$

Plane 2: Pt, C(1), C(2)

$$0.220X + 0.975Y + 0.044Z - 3.865 = 0$$

Plane 3: Pt, P(1), P(2), C(1), C(2)

$$0.206X + 0.978Y + 0.043Z - 3.869 = 0$$

[Pt 0.007, P(1) 0.001, P(2) -0.005, C(1) 0.007, C(2) -0.010,  
C(3) 0.071, C(8) -0.181]

Plane 4: C(1), C(2), C(3), C(4), C(7), C(8)

$$-0.151X - 0.986Y - 0.076Z + 4.063 = 0$$

[Pt 0.014, C(1) -0.062, C(2) 0.029, C(3) 0.016, C(4) -0.016,  
C(5) 0.866, C(6) 1.144, C(7) -0.002, C(8) 0.035]

Angle between planes: (1) - (2)  $1^\circ$



TABLE 2.15

Selected bond distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) in the title complex  
and related molecules

(a) Distances	(I)*	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)
Pt-P	2.24(2) <sup>+</sup>	2.271(2) <sup>+</sup>	2.268(4) <sup>+</sup>	2.28(1) <sup>++</sup>	-
Pt-C	2.04(2) <sup>+</sup>	2.04(2) <sup>+</sup>	2.05(2) <sup>+</sup>	2.04(3) <sup>++</sup>	-
C(sp)-C(sp)	1.20(5)	1.29(2)	1.29(2)	1.32(9)	1.232(6)
C(sp)-C(sp <sup>3</sup> )	1.52(4) <sup>+</sup>	1.50(1) <sup>+</sup>	1.49(1) <sup>+</sup>	-	1.459(12)
C(sp <sup>3</sup> )-C(sp <sup>3</sup> )	1.51(5) <sup>+</sup>	1.54(1) <sup>+</sup>	1.52(2) <sup>+</sup>	-	1.55(3) <sup>+</sup>
(b) Angles					
P-Pt-P	110.8(3)	109.3	102.5	102	-
C-Pt-C	34(1)	36.8	36.7	39	-
C(sp)-C(sp)-C(sp <sup>3</sup> )	147(5) <sup>+</sup>	127.5(5) <sup>++</sup>	139(2) <sup>++</sup>	139.5(5) <sup>++</sup>	158.5(9)
C(sp <sup>3</sup> )-C(sp <sup>3</sup> )-C(sp <sup>3</sup> )	120(3) <sup>+</sup>	114 <sup>+*</sup>	120(1) <sup>++</sup>	--	109.9(6) <sup>+</sup>

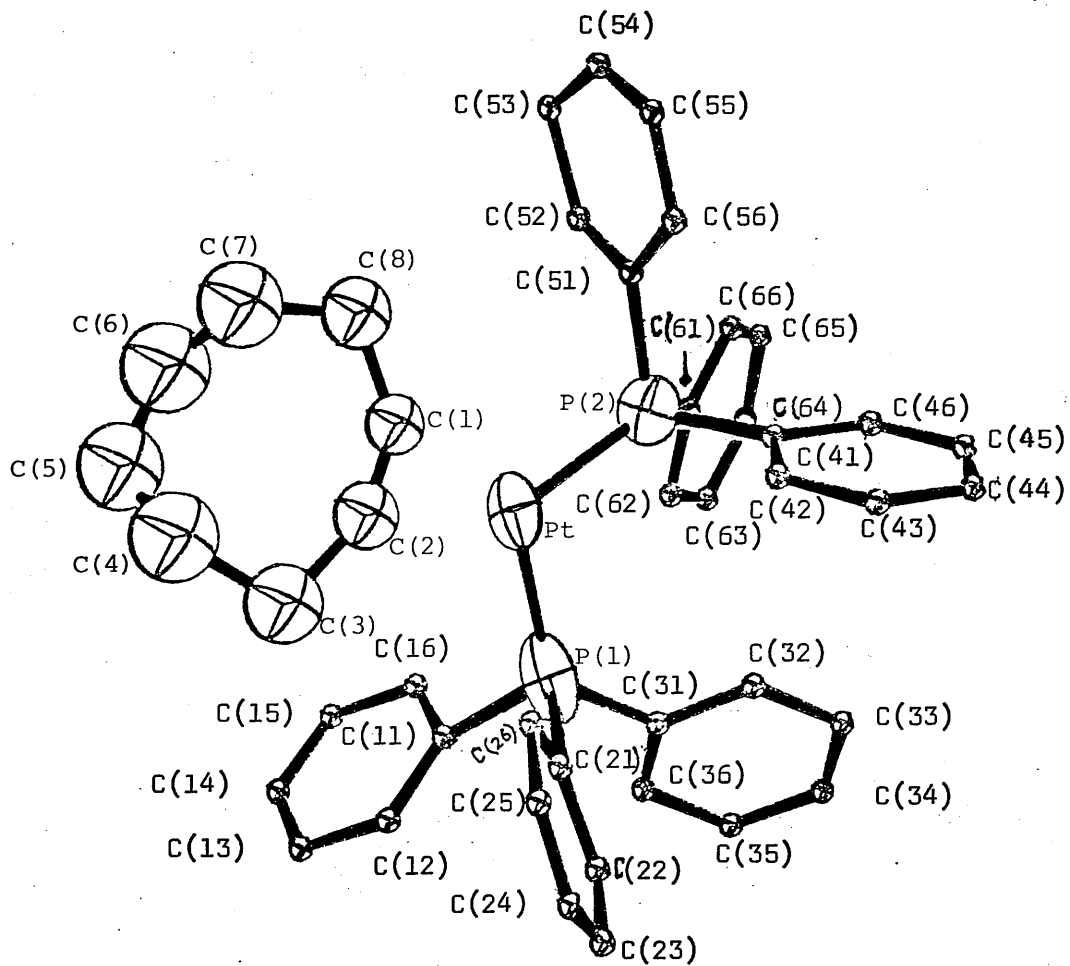
\* (I) is the title complex; (II) and (III) are, respectively, the analogous cyclohexyne<sup>84</sup> and cycloheptyne<sup>85</sup> derivatives; (IV) is  $[(\text{PhC}\equiv\text{CPh})\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$ <sup>89</sup> and (V) is the cyclooctyne molecule.<sup>86</sup>

<sup>+</sup> Mean values

<sup>++</sup> The e.s.d. of the mean value was calculated from the range.

<sup>+\*</sup> No estimate of error can be obtained from the available data.

Figure 2.6: A view of the  $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  molecule; thermal vibration ellipsoids enclose 50% of probability. Hydrogen atoms (and the benzene solvate) have been omitted for clarity.



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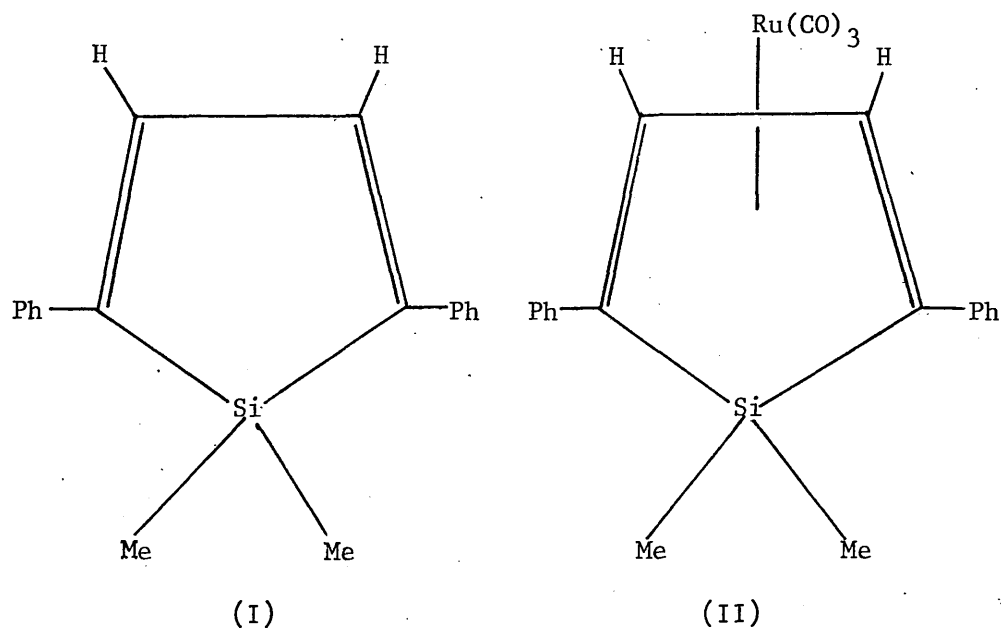
CHAPTER THREE

The Crystal and Molecular Structures of  
1,1-Dimethyl-2,5-Diphenyl-1-Silacyclo-  
pentadiene and its Tricarbonylruthenium  
complex

### 3.1 INTRODUCTION

Silacyclopentadiene (silole) metal complexes are of recent discovery and current interest.<sup>1-3</sup> Direct high-yield syntheses are available and complexes of chromium, iron, cobalt, molybdenum, ruthenium and rhodium have been prepared.<sup>4</sup>

The crystal and molecular structures<sup>4</sup> of 1,1-dimethyl-2,5-diphenyl-1-silacyclopentadiene (I) and its tricarbonylruthenium complex (II) have been determined. This work establishes the nature of the bonding



in an uncomplexed silole ring. Moreover, it permits an assessment of the changes in structure and bonding which occur when the silole is bonded to a transition metal. This is the first case in which the structures have been determined of the uncomplexed and complexed forms of the same cyclopentadiene heterocycle, where the heteroatom belongs to the second short period. The results are, thus, relevant to those on the related phosphorus and sulphur heterocyclic complexes  $[(C_5H_5)Co\{C(CF_3)_4C_4PO.OH\}]$  and  $[\{(CF_3)_4C_4S(C_6F_5)\}Mn(CO)_3]$ .<sup>5</sup>

Brief details are available of the structure of the silole (I) co-

crystallised with diphenylacetylene.<sup>6</sup> In the same paper, reference was made to a structure analysis of (I) but, as yet, no publication of this work has appeared. In addition, the dimensions of 1,2,5-triphenylphosphacyclopentadiene (a phosphole) have been reported.<sup>7</sup>

### 3.2. EXPERIMENTAL

Crystal Data - Structure (I).  $C_{18}H_{18}Si$ ,  $M = 262.4$ . Orthorhombic,  $a = 15.669$ ,  $b = 7.500$ ,  $c = 6.548 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $T = 23^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $U = 769.5 \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $D_c = 1.133 \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$ ,  $Z = 2$ ,  $F(000) = 280$ .  $Mo-K_\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\mu(Mo-K_\alpha) = 1.39 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Space group  $Pmn2_1$ .

Structure (II).  $C_{21}H_{18}O_3RuSi$ ,  $M = 447.5$ . Monoclinic,  $a = 18.112$ ,  $b = 8.013$ ,  $c = 27.455 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\beta = 97.22^\circ$ ,  $T = 20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $U = 3952.7 \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $D_c = 1.504 \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$ ,  $Z = 8$ ,  $F(000) = 1808$ .  $Mo-K_\alpha$  radiation,  $\mu(Mo-K_\alpha) = 8.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Space group  $I2/c(C_{2h}^6, \text{No.15})$ . Equivalent positions:  $\pm(x, y, z)$ ,  $\pm(\bar{x}, y, 1/2 - z)$ ,  $\pm(1/2 + x, 1/2 + y, 1/2 + z)$ ,  $\pm(1/2 - x, 1/2 + y, \bar{z})$ .

Crystallographic Measurements. - Crystals of (I) are fluorescent-yellow air-stable polyhedra. The specimen used in the analysis had dimensions of ca.  $0.6 \times 0.4 \times 0.4 \text{ mm}$ . Crystals of (II) are fluorescent-orange air-stable needles. The specimen chosen displayed all faces of the  $\{100\}$  and  $\{001\}$  forms, and also the  $(01\bar{1})$  and  $(0\bar{1}1)$  faces, and its dimensions were  $0.13 \times 0.17 \times 0.61 \text{ mm}$ .

In each analysis the Laue group, the space group extinctions and unit-cell dimensions were derived by X-ray photography. For crystals of (II) a non-standard body-centred monoclinic cell was chosen in order that  $\beta$  would be close to  $90^\circ$ . The unit-cell parameters were then adjusted by a least-squares treatment of the setting angles of 12 reflexions centred on a Hilger and Watts' Y290 diffractometer controlled by a PDP8 computer.<sup>8</sup>

Intensity Measurements. - The intensities of all independent reflexions for which  $\theta(Mo-K_\alpha) \leq 30^\circ$  (I) or  $27^\circ$  (II) were measured on the Y290 instrument with the use of graphite-monochromated molybdenum radiation

and a pulse-height analyser. A symmetrical  $\theta - 2\theta$  scan was employed, with a scan step in  $\theta$  of  $0.02^\circ$  and a counting time per step of 3 s (I) or 2.5 s (II). Each reflexion was scanned through a  $2\theta$  range of  $0.96^\circ$  (I) or  $1.4^\circ$  (II) and the local background was counted for 15 s (I) or 10 s (II) at each end of the scan range. The intensities of three strong reflexions, remeasured periodically throughout each experiment, displayed random fluctuations no greater than  $\pm 3\%$  (I) or  $\pm 5\%$  (II) of their mean values.

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ , were derived in the usual way (q 0.04).<sup>9</sup> They were corrected for Lorentz, polarisation and counting-loss effects. No absorption correction was applied; for (II) a test calculation with a Gaussian integration grid<sup>10</sup> of  $14 \times 14 \times 14$  points indicated that the transmission factors on  $|F_o|$  were constant to within  $\pm 1\%$ .

Of the reflexions measured [892,(I) ; 3498,(II)], only those for which  $I \geq 3 \sigma(I)$  [828,(I); 3363,(II)] were used in the subsequent calculations.

Structure Analysis - In both analyses, the position of the heaviest atom was derived from a Patterson synthesis. The remaining atoms were located in subsequent difference syntheses, except that in the analysis of the ruthenium complex the positions of the hydrogen atoms were, in general, derived from those of the attached heavier atoms.

The structural parameters were refined by the method of full-matrix least-squares. The function minimised was  $\sum w \Delta^2$ , where  $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$  and  $\Delta = |F_o| - |F_c|$ . Atomic scattering factors were taken from ref.11, except those of hydrogen.<sup>12</sup> Allowance was made for the

anomalous scattering of the silicon and ruthenium atoms using values of  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$  from ref. 13.

(i) Silole - The systematic absences  $h0l$  when  $h + l = 2n + 1$  are consistent with the space groups  $Pmm$  and  $Pmn2_1$ . The former centrosymmetric space group has eight general positions per unit-cell whereas the latter non-centrosymmetric space group has four general positions. With two silole molecules per unit-cell, the centrosymmetric space group imposes  $mm$  symmetry on the molecules and the silicon atom must be located at the special position  $(0, y, 0)$ . However, in the non-centrosymmetric space group only  $m$  symmetry is required of the molecules, with the silicon atom situated at the special position  $(0, y, z)$ .

Initially, a solution was sought in the centrosymmetric space group. Refinement of a scale factor and the isotropic thermal parameter of the silicon atom led to  $R$  0.39. A difference synthesis revealed pseudo-symmetric sets of atomic peaks and indicated that the silole molecules possess only one mirror plane. Accordingly, all subsequent calculations were performed with the polar non-centrosymmetric space group. The origin of this space group was defined by holding  $z(\text{Si})$  fixed at  $1/4$ . Refinement of a scale factor, the positional parameters of all non-hydrogen atoms, and isotropic thermal parameters led to  $R$  0.089. Several cycles of Fourier synthesis and least-squares were necessary for the location of all the hydrogen atoms; peak heights of these atoms ranged from 0.22 to  $0.44 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ . The hydrogen atom parameters were held invariant until the shifts in the carbon parameters were insignificant and thereafter were refined. Anisotropic temperature factors were assigned to the silicon and carbon atoms. The refinement converged at  $R$  0.034 and  $R'$  0.040. The enantiomeric model gave identical  $R$ -ratios and was not considered further. In the final cycle

of least-squares calculations all parameters shifted by less than  $0.10 \sigma$ . The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight, S.D., was 1.5 suggesting that the accuracy of the observed structure amplitudes has been slightly overestimated. However, the absence of significant trends in the mean values of  $w\Delta^2$ , when analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin\theta$ , suggests that the relative weights are satisfactory. In the final difference synthesis the extreme function values were 0.2 and  $-0.2 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ ; the positive peak was situated between the Si and C(1) atoms and the negative one was close to the silicon atom. The minimum peak height for a carbon atom in the final electron-density synthesis was  $5.7 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ . Corrections for secondary extinction effects did not appear to be necessary.

(ii) (silole)tricarbonylruthenium. - The systematic absences  $hk1$  when  $h + k + 1 = 2n + 1$  and  $h0l$  when  $l = 2n + 1$  are consistent with the space groups  $I2/c$  (centrosymmetric) and  $Ic$  (non-centrosymmetric). With eight formula units per unit-cell the centrosymmetric space group leads to one (silole)tricarbonylruthenium molecule per asymmetric unit with the atoms located in general positions. However, the non-centrosymmetric space group has only four general positions per cell and, hence, the asymmetric unit would need to possess two formula units. A solution was attempted in the centrosymmetric space group and this led to a satisfactory analysis.

Refinement of a scale factor and of the positional and isotropic thermal parameter of the ruthenium atom led to  $R$  0.34. After the remaining non-hydrogen atoms were included with isotropic thermal parameters  $R$  and  $R'$  were 0.060 and 0.082, respectively. Anisotropic temperature factors were then assigned to the ruthenium and silicon



atoms. In addition, the positions of the phenyl hydrogen atoms were inferred and the scattering of these atoms was included in subsequent structure factor calculations but no hydrogen parameter was varied. This led to  $R$  0.055 and  $R'$  0.079. The hydrogen atoms bonded to the methyl carbon atom C(2) were located in a difference synthesis; the positions of the hydrogen atoms of the butadiene unit were inferred. Furthermore, anisotropic temperature factors were assigned to the butadiene atoms C(3) - (6).  $R$  and  $R'$  decreased to 0.049 and 0.066, respectively. Anisotropic thermal parameters were then assigned to the carbon and oxygen atoms of the carbonyl groups and to four of the phenyl carbon atoms - regions of electron density in a difference synthesis had indicated that the thermal vibrations of these carbon atoms were significantly anisotropic.<sup>14</sup> The refinement converged at  $R$  0.038 and  $R'$  0.049. In the final cycle of least-squares refinement all parameters shifted by less than  $0.2\sigma$ . The value of S.D. was 1.9. However, the relative correctness of the weights employed was indicated by the absence of obvious trends when the data were analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin\theta$ . In the final difference synthesis there were no significant features: the function values ranged from 0.7 to  $-0.5 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$  with the extreme values associated with the positions of the C(1) and C(15) atoms, respectively. The minimum peak height for a carbon atom in the final electron density synthesis was  $4.5 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ .

Observed and calculated structure amplitudes are listed in the Appendix (pp. 132 to 140, (I), and 141 to 165, (II)). Atomic parameters are given in Tables 3.1 and 3.2, and a selection of derived functions - interatomic distances and angles, and mean planes - are presented in Tables 3.3 to 3.6. The atomic numbering schemes are indicated and views of the

molecular structures are shown in Figures 3.3 to 3.5.

The computer programs employed have been described previously.<sup>15</sup>

### 3.3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The crystals of (I) and (II) are composed, respectively, of discrete monomeric silole and (silole)tricarbonylruthenium molecules. The separations between atoms in neighbouring molecules are in the range of normal van der Waals contacts (Tables 3.3(d) and 3.4(d)).<sup>16</sup>

(i) Structure (I). - The molecules of (I) display exact  $C_s$  symmetry, with the silicon and methyl carbon atoms lying on the mirror plane at  $x = 0$  to which the butadiene unit is perpendicular. The butadiene fragment of the silole ring is exactly planar, with the silicon atom displaced from it by  $0.08 \text{ \AA}$ , leading to a dihedral angle of  $3.7^\circ$  between the butadiene and  $\text{SiC}(3)\text{C}(3')$  planes. The phenyl ring is approximately coplanar with the butadiene unit with a dihedral angle between these planes of  $13.7^\circ$ . This small rotation about the  $\text{C}(\text{butadiene})-\text{C}(\text{phenyl})$  bond appears to result from intramolecular steric effects. Thus, there are a number of short intramolecular contacts between phenyl ortho-carbon and -hydrogen atoms and butadiene carbon and hydrogen atoms (Table 3.3(c)). The most noteworthy of these separations are  $\text{H}(5)\cdots\text{H}(10)$   $2.26 \text{ \AA}$  and  $\text{C}(4)\cdots\text{C}(10)$   $3.00 \text{ \AA}$ .

The bond lengths within the silole ring are consistent with complete localisation of the double bonds: the  $\text{C}(3)-\text{C}(4)$  and  $\text{C}(4)-\text{C}(4')$  distances of  $1.345(4)$  and  $1.466(6)$  respectively, are typical of values found in cis-1,3-butadienes.<sup>17</sup> The  $\text{Si}-\text{C}(3)$  bond length is that of a  $\text{Si}-\text{C}(\text{sp}^2)$  single bond (vide infra). In addition, the butadiene-phenyl bond  $\text{C}(3)-\text{C}(5)$  has a length,  $1.478(4) \text{ \AA}$ , which is that of a  $\text{C}(\text{sp}^2)-\text{C}(\text{sp}^2)$  single bond.<sup>17</sup>

The interbond angles of the heterocyclic ring are qualitatively as expected. Thus, the  $\text{C}(3)-\text{C}(4)-\text{C}(4')$  angle at the central carbon

atom C(4),  $117.6(2)^\circ$ , is close to  $120^\circ$  as expected for  $sp^2$  hybridisation of the carbon atoms. However, the Si-C(ring)-C(ring) and C(ring)-Si-C(ring) angles are reduced [ from the normal values of  $120^\circ$  and  $109^\circ 58'$  ] to  $106.0(2)$  and  $92.5(2)^\circ$ , respectively, and this may be attributed to constraints imposed by the formation of the five-membered ring. They result in an opening of the exocyclic Si-C(ring)-C(Ph) and C(ring)-C(ring)-C(Ph) angles to  $128.9(2)$  and  $125.0(2)^\circ$ , respectively; the latter angle may also arise, to some extent, from the intramolecular steric effects discussed above.

The silicon atom has a distorted tetrahedral configuration. Concomitant with the reduction of the C(3)-Si-C(3') angle there is an opening of the C(Me)-Si-C(Me) and C(Me)-Si-C(ring) angles to  $112.5(3)$  and  $112.6(3)^\circ$  (mean), respectively. The Si-C(Me) bond lengths are equal: their mean distance,  $1.867(6)$  Å, agrees well with the standard value [ $1.870(5)$  Å].<sup>17</sup> The Si-C( $sp^2$ ) bonded distance,  $1.878(3)$  Å, appears long by comparison with the Si-C( $sp^3$ ) distances in the same molecule. However, it is in the range expected. Thus, in 10 silicon derivatives the Si-C(Ph) bond lengths vary from  $1.855(6)$  to  $1.894(5)$  Å;<sup>18</sup> the Si-C bond distances in  $PhSiH_3$  and  $[(C_5H_5)_2ZrCl(SiPh_3)]$  are  $1.843(5)$  and  $1.913(4)$  Å, respectively.<sup>17, 19</sup> In several cyclosiloxanes the Si-C(Me) and Si-C(Ph) distances display the same trend as in (I): this has been attributed to an effect of the relatively high thermal motion of the methyl carbon atoms.<sup>20</sup>

The phenyl geometry is normal.<sup>21</sup> Thus, the ring [atoms C(5) - (10)] is accurately planar, the root mean-square deviation from planarity of the carbon atoms being  $0.003$  Å. The mean C-C distance,  $1.384(7)$  Å,

is slightly shorter than the spectroscopic value [1.397(1) Å] for benzene.<sup>17</sup> The mean internal interbond angle is 119.9(1)°.

The C-H bond lengths range from 0.83(5) to 1.05(3) Å; mean distances are 0.95(4) Å (Me) and 0.95(2) Å (Ph). These distances are, as expected, slightly shorter than the values [ca. 1.08 Å] obtained by neutron diffraction or spectroscopic methods.<sup>22</sup> Such contractions have been attributed to the displacement of the electron density of the hydrogen atom from its nuclear position when it bonds to a heavier atom such as carbon.<sup>23</sup>

In addition, the Si-C-H and H-C(Me)-H angles range, respectively, from 102(3) to 122(5)°, and 92(3) to 115(4)°, but the corresponding mean values, 110(3) and 107(6)°, are close to the ideal tetrahedral angle [109°28']. The C(Ph)-C(Ph)-H angles vary from 115(2) to 124(2)° and their mean value is 120(1)°.

(ii) Structure II. - Approximate  $C_S$  symmetry is retained in the molecules of (II). (Fig.3.5.). The metal co-ordination can be described, in terms of canonical form (A), as a distorted square



Fig. 3.1. Metal-Butadiene bonding: valence bond model.

pyramid with the metal atom displaced by 1.85 Å from the plane of the butadiene carbon atoms or, in terms of form (B), as a distorted octahedron with three facial sites occupied by carbonyl ligands and a further three by diene atoms C(3) and C(6) and the midpoint of

the diene C(4)-C(5) bond. The disposition of the carbonyl ligands and the M-C(butadiene) bonded distances are in accord with features<sup>24</sup> observed in many (diene)M(CO)<sub>3</sub> structures. Thus, when the molecule is viewed in a direction normal to the butadiene plane the carbonyl groups C(100)-O(1) and C(101)-O(2) project across the formally double bonds C(3)-C(4) and C(5)-C(6) of the diene (Fig. 3.5). Moreover, the ruthenium atom is slightly closer to the central carbon atoms of the diene than it is to the terminal atoms: equivalent metal-carbon separations are equal and mean values are Ru-C(central) 2.189(3) Å and Ru-C(terminal) 2.293(4) Å. These values agree well with the corresponding distances of 2.182(6) and 2.265(6) Å in (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>)Ru(CO)<sub>3</sub>.<sup>25</sup>

The butadiene unit remains accurately planar. However, the presence of the ruthenium atom results in substantial changes in the bonding of the silole ring. Thus, the formally double bonds C(3)-C(4) and C(5)-C(6) are lengthened by 0.103(5) Å (21σ) to a mean distance of 1.448(3) Å, a value close to that expected for a C(sp<sup>2</sup>)-C(sp<sup>2</sup>) single bond.<sup>17</sup> There is also a highly significant reduction of 0.059(8) Å (7σ) in the length of the central C(4)-C(5) bond of the butadiene to 1.407(5) Å. However, the Si-C(ring), Si-Me and C(Ph)-C(ring) distances remain unchanged. The changes in the bonding within, and the conformation (vide infra) of the silole ring are reflected in minor (but statistically significant) variations of the valency angles of this ring by up to 5°. Thus, the C(terminal)-C(central)-C(central) angles, C(3)-C(4)-C(5) and C(4)-C(5)-C(6) are reduced by 3.2(5)° to 114.4° (mean). However, the Si-C(ring)-C(ring) angles, mean 105.7(4)°, show little change. The C(ring)-Si-C(ring) angle is only 87.7(1)° [cf. 92.5(2)° in

(I)]. There is an opening of the C(Me)-Si-C(ring) angles to  $114.9(11)^\circ$  (mean). However, the C(Me)-Si-C(Me) angle becomes more nearly regular ( $108.4(2)^\circ$ ).

There are a number of short intramolecular contacts (Table 3.4(c)). The most noteworthy are C(4)...C(16)  $3.04 \text{ \AA}$  and C(5)...C(22)  $2.99 \text{ \AA}$  which involve ortho-carbon atoms of the phenyl groups and central carbon atoms of the butadiene. Similar interactions are observed in the molecules of (I). However, in the complex, these repulsive forces are apparently relieved by the greater rotations about the C(Ph)-C(ring) bonds leading to phenyl/butadiene dihedral angles of  $24.5$  and  $18.4^\circ$  [cf.  $13.7^\circ$  in (I)]; the C(ring)-C(ring)-C(Ph) angles, mean  $121.7(6)^\circ$ , are close to  $120^\circ$  [cf.  $125.0(2)^\circ$  in (I)].

A rationalisation of the metal-diene bonding<sup>26</sup> can be given in terms of a valence bond treatment, where the bonding is considered to be a hybrid of  $\pi$  and  $\sigma$ - canonical forms (Fig. 3.1) or in terms of a molecular orbital approach such as that of Hückel (Fig. 3.2).

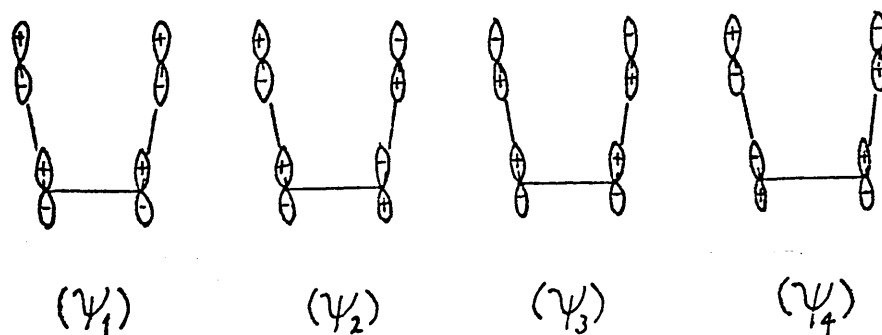


Fig. 3.2. Metal-butadiene bonding: Hückel molecular orbitals.

In this treatment the orbitals  $\psi_1$ ,  $\psi_2$ ,  $\psi_3$  and  $\psi_4$  are obtained for the description of the butadiene bonding. The  $\psi_1$ - and  $\psi_2$ - orbitals are filled and are of appropriate symmetry for  $\sigma$ -donation to a metal, whereas the vacant  $\psi_3$ - and  $\psi_4$ - orbitals are capable of

bonding to filled metal  $d_{\pi}$  orbitals. Two interactions are expected: donation of electron density from the highest filled orbital ( $\psi_2$ ) of the butadiene to the metal and donation of metal  $d_{\pi}$  electrons to the butadiene  $\psi_3$ -orbital. These processes lead to a weakening of the terminal double bonds and a strengthening of the central C-C bond, which corresponds to an increased contribution from canonical form (B). From the changes in the butadiene bond lengths upon ligation, it is concluded that there is significant backdonation from the metal atom to the butadiene unit. In valence bond terms a significant contribution from canonical form (B) must be present. However, as is often found, there is little evidence of any partial  $sp^3$  hybridisation at the terminal carbon atoms C(3) and C(6).<sup>26</sup> The valence bond description of butadiene metal systems is of limited usefulness.

There is one further major difference in geometry of the free and complexed silole rings. The butadiene /  $SiC_2$ (ring) dihedral angle opens up considerably to  $32.2^\circ$  in (II) [cf.  $3.7^\circ$  in (I)], so that the silicon atom is situated  $0.72 \text{ \AA}$  from the butadiene plane on the side opposite to that of the metal atom. This envelope conformation is typical of the ligands in such cyclic butadiene systems: it has been attributed to an inward twisting of the  $p$  orbitals of the terminal carbon atoms of the diene in order to maximise their overlap with the metal orbitals.<sup>27</sup> The folding about the C(3)-C(6) vector results in a Ru...Si separation of  $2.992(2) \text{ \AA}$ : any possibility of normal bonding between these atoms is excluded since the lengths of the Ru-Si single bonds in six complexes<sup>28</sup> for which structural data are available are in the range  $2.39 - 2.51 \text{ \AA}$  (mean  $2.45 \text{ \AA}$ ) and the sum of the covalent radii of ruthenium ( $1.30 \text{ \AA}$ ) and silicon ( $1.10 \text{ \AA}$ ) is  $2.40 \text{ \AA}$ ;<sup>29</sup> Pauling's empirical relationship between the lengths of single and



fractional bonds suggests a Ru-Si bond order of about 0.12.<sup>16</sup> In the related P- and S-heterocyclic complexes  $[(C_5H_5)Co\{C(CF_3)_4-C_4PO.OH\}]$  and  $[\{(CF_3)_4C_4S(C_6F_5)\}Mn(CO)_3]$ , where again there is no direct bond between the metal and the ring hetero-atoms, the tetrahapto rings are also folded about the line through the terminal carbon atoms of the butadiene.<sup>5</sup> The resulting dihedral angles, respectively 32 and 31°, agree well with the corresponding angle in (II). In all three molecules the non-bonded separations between the metal atom and the hetero-atom appear surprisingly small, since subtraction of the van der Waals radius of the hetero-atom suggests that the contact radii of the metal atoms are in the range 0.8 - 1.0 Å.

The environments of the carbonyl groups C(100)-O(1) and C(101)-O(2) are similar and they are markedly different from that of the C(102)-O(3) group (Fig. 3.5.). The ruthenium-carbonyl Ru-C distances range from 1.906(4) to 1.941(4) Å [mean 1.923(10) Å], the largest value being associated with the C(102) atom of the unique carbonyl group. They are similar to those observed in  $[(C_8H_8)Ru(CO)_3]$  (mean 1.916(7) Å) and in  $[(C_8H_8)Ru_2(CO)_6]$  (mean 1.89(2) Å). This is to be expected since in all three complexes the ratios of olefin-ligand atoms to ruthenium atoms to carbonyl groups are similar.<sup>25</sup> The non-equivalence of the carbonyl groups of (II) is reflected in the CO-Ru-CO angles which are 90.0, 94.7 and 96.9°: the last two values, which involve the unique carbonyl, are the largest of the set, as has been noted in other systems.<sup>24</sup>

The C-O bond lengths are in agreement and their mean distance, 1.133(3) Å, is near to the spectroscopic value [1.128 Å] for carbon monoxide.<sup>17</sup> The Ru-C-O angles deviate from 180° by up to 5°.

Distortions of such an amount are common in metal carbonyls. In the case of  $M(CO)_3$  fragments symmetry considerations indicate that the  $\pi^*$  electron density of each CO group has twofold rotational symmetry rather than full cylindrical symmetry.<sup>30</sup> The resulting angular distortion is a function of the difference in population of the  $\pi^*$  orbitals. Since in (II) the ligand trans to the CO groups does not present a cylindrically-symmetric bonding electron distribution to the metal atom, bending at carbonyl is expected. The Ru-C(100)-O(1) and Ru-C(101)-O(2) angles are equal at  $178.7(4)^\circ$ , whereas the Ru-C(102)-O(3) angle is only  $175.2(4)^\circ$ .

The phenyl geometries are normal, with root-mean square deviations from planarity of the carbon atoms of  $\leq 0.006 \text{ \AA}$ .<sup>21</sup> The mean C-C lengths are  $1.387(8) \text{ \AA}$  [C(11) - (16)] and  $1.390(5) \text{ \AA}$  [C(21) - (26)]. The internal interbond angles are close to  $120^\circ$ .

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TABLE 3.1

Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and vibrational parameters for (I)

Atom	x	y	z	B $\text{\AA}^2$
Si	0	172.3(1)	1/4	*
C(1)	0	-66.9(6)	174.5(9)	*
C(2)	0	202.9(8)	533.8(8)	*
C(3)	-86.6(2)	305.4(3)	123.3(5)	*
C(4)	-46.8(2)	433.9(4)	16.3(5)	*
C(5)	-180.0(2)	279.8(3)	132.6(5)	*
C(6)	-215.7(2)	163.7(4)	272.0(8)	*
C(7)	-304.0(2)	136.2(4)	281.2(7)	*
C(8)	-356.8(2)	224.5(4)	149.1(7)	*
C(9)	-322.8(2)	338.5(5)	11.2(7)	*
C(10)	-235.2(2)	366.9(4)	-0.5(6)	*
H(1)	0	-60(7)	34(10)	6(1)
H(2)	49(2)	-122(4)	233(7)	6(1)
H(3)	0	310(8)	592(12)	8(2)
H(4)	53(3)	168(5)	604(9)	9(1)
H(5)	-74(2)	515(4)	-62(5)	5(1)
H(6)	-185(2)	104(4)	367(6)	5(1)
H(7)	-324(2)	65(4)	391(7)	6(1)
H(8)	-422(2)	192(4)	155(5)	6(1)
H(9)	-352(2)	392(5)	-75(8)	7(1)
H(10)	-212(2)	433(4)	-99(6)	6(1)

TABLE 3.1 (cont'd)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp \left[ -\sum_{i,j} B_{ij} h_i h_j \right]$ . The final values of the  $B_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^4$ ) are:

Atom	$B_{11}$	$B_{22}$	$B_{33}$	$B_{12}$	$B_{13}$	$B_{23}$
Si	36.6(4)	160.1(15)	228.2(23)	0**	0**	15.7(25)
C(1)	43(2)	196(8)	368(18)	0**	0**	-2(8)
C(2)	70(3)	286(12)	228(11)	0**	0**	-4(10)
C(3)	39(1)	173(4)	235(6)	8(2)	0(2)	2(5)
C(4)	45(1)	202(5)	319(9)	11(2)	-6(3)	63(6)
C(5)	38(1)	158(4)	265(7)	8(2)	7(3)	-13(5)
C(6)	43(1)	235(5)	344(10)	14(2)	13(3)	68(8)
C(7)	46(1)	254(6)	388(14)	-6(2)	19(4)	59(9)
C(8)	41(1)	223(5)	422(10)	-4(2)	6(3)	-30(7)
C(9)	45(1)	251(7)	395(11)	5(3)	-29(3)	25(8)
C(10)	48(1)	236(6)	308(9)	-5(2)	-14(3)	50(7)

\*\*  $B_{12}=B_{13}=0$  by symmetry

TABLE 3.2

(a) Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and vibrational parameters for (II)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
Ru	2382.7(1)	1942.3(3)	1523.3(1)	*
Si	2848.0(5)	-849.8(12)	905.8(3)	*
C(1)	3438(3)	-2750(6)	834(2)	64(1)
C(2)	2290(2)	-395(5)	301(1)	58(1)
C(3)	3410(2)	919(4)	1214(1)	*
C(4)	3430(2)	619(4)	1735(1)	*
C(5)	2841(2)	-362(4)	1866(1)	*
C(6)	2322(2)	-908(4)	1452(1)	*
C(11)	3973(2)	1951(5)	1011(1)	51(1)
C(12)	4122(2)	1714(5)	534(2)	63(1)
C(13)	4656(3)	2690(8)	343(2)	*
C(14)	5048(2)	3876(7)	634(2)	*
C(15)	4923(3)	4116(6)	1106(2)	76(1)
C(16)	4397(2)	3169(5)	1296(2)	64(1)
C(21)	1660(2)	-1910(4)	1524(1)	47(1)
C(22)	1395(2)	-2014(5)	1978(2)	62(1)
C(23)	779(3)	-3015(7)	2041(2)	81(1)
C(24)	416(3)	-3879(6)	1649(2)	*
C(25)	663(2)	-3780(6)	1200(2)	*
C(26)	1283(2)	-2819(5)	1137(2)	61(1)
C(100)	2761(2)	4057(5)	1753(1)	*
C(101)	1576(2)	2168(5)	1911(1)	*
C(102)	1860(2)	2810(5)	916(1)	*
O(1)	3000(2)	5305(4)	1892(1)	*
O(2)	1107(2)	2275(5)	2143(1)	*
O(3)	1577(2)	3420(4)	569(1)	*

TABLE 3.2 (Cont'd)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp [-2\pi^2 \sum_{ij} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* h_i h_j]$ . The final values of the  $U_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^3$ ) are:

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{23}$
Ru	43.9(2)	39.7(2)	42.5(2)	1.9(1)	5.2(1)	-2.9(1)
Si	43.5(5)	41.8(5)	43.1(4)	1.3(4)	6.7(4)	-3.0(4)
C(3)	41(2)	42(2)	51(2)	4(1)	5(1)	0(1)
C(4)	45(2)	44(2)	50(2)	1(1)	-2(1)	-3(1)
C(5)	49(2)	45(2)	42(2)	7(1)	3(1)	3(1)
C(6)	45(2)	40(2)	44(2)	2(1)	7(1)	1(1)
C(13)	66(3)	111(4)	82(3)	4(3)	24(2)	41(3)
C(14)	46(2)	80(3)	143(5)	-8(2)	4(3)	43(3)
C(24)	58(2)	70(3)	127(4)	-11(2)	27(3)	14(3)
C(25)	55(2)	68(3)	106(4)	-12(2)	5(2)	-14(3)
C(100)	64(2)	47(2)	58(2)	5(2)	4(2)	-4(2)
C(101)	60(2)	57(2)	54(2)	5(2)	10(2)	-5(2)
C(102)	52(2)	51(2)	56(2)	2(2)	10(2)	-3(2)
O(1)	105(3)	49(2)	81(2)	-7(2)	1(2)	-13(1)
O(2)	73(2)	100(3)	73(2)	12(2)	30(2)	-8(2)
O(3)	81(2)	79(2)	58(2)	16(2)	4(1)	14(1)



TABLE 3.2 (Cont'd)

(b) Calculated fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and assumed isotropic vibrational parameters for hydrogen atoms; each hydrogen atom is numbered according to the carbon atom to which it is attached.

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
H(2a)	182	0	33	69
H(2b)	204	-155	18	69
H(2c)	250	0	0	69
H(4)	383	108	199	58
H(5)	279	-67	222	54
H(12)	382	83	32	72
H(13)	479	251	-1	95
H(14)	544	460	49	91
H(15)	523	500	131	88
H(16)	430	335	166	74
H(22)	166	-139	227	73
H(23)	59	-313	237	89
H(24)	-4	-459	168	91
H(25)	39	-442	91	84
H(26)	147	-277	80	69

TABLE 3.3

Selected interatomic distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) in (I)

(a) Bond lengths

Si-C(1)	1.861(5)	H(1)-C(1)	0.92(6)
Si-C(2)	1.872(5)	H(2)-C(1)	0.95(3)
Mean	1.867(6)	H(3)-C(2)	0.89(7)
Si-C(3)	1.878(3)	H(4)-C(2)	0.99(5)
		Mean	0.95(2)
C(3)-C(4)	1.345(4)		
C(3)-C(5)	1.478(4)	H(5)-C(4)	0.90(3)
C(4)-C(4')*	1.466(6)		
		H(6)-C(6)	0.90(4)
C(5)-C(6)	1.380(5)	H(7)-C(7)	0.95(4)
C(6)-C(7)	1.400(4)	H(8)-C(8)	1.05(3)
C(7)-C(8)	1.367(5)	H(9)-C(9)	0.83(5)
C(8)-C(9)	1.353(6)	H(10)-C(10)	0.90(4)
C(9)-C(10)	1.391(5)	Mean	0.95(4)
C(10)-C(5)	1.391(4)		
Mean	1.384(7)		

\* Co-ordinates of primed atoms are derived from those of the corresponding atoms in Table 3.1 by the transformation  $(\bar{x}, y, z)$ .

TABLE 3.3 (Cont'd)

(b) Interbond angles

C(1)-Si-C(2)	112.5(3)	C(3)-C(5)-C(6)	120.7(3)
C(3)-Si-C(3')	92.5(2)	C(3)-C(5)-C(10)	121.9(3)
		Mean	121.3(6)
C(1)-Si-C(3)	113.3(1)		
C(2)-Si-C(3)	111.9(1)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	121.4(4)
Mean	112.6(7)	C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	119.9(4)
		C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	119.3(3)
Si-C(1)-H(1)	102(3)	C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	121.5(3)
Si-C(1)-H(2)	108(2)	C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	120.5(3)
Si-C(2)-H(3)	122(5)	C(10)-C(5)-C(6)	117.3(3)
Si-C(2)-H(4)	116(3)	Mean	119.9(1)
Mean	110(3)		
		H(6)-C(6)-C(5)	124(2)
Si-C(3)-C(4)	106.0(2)	H(6)-C(6)-C(7)	115(2)
Si-C(3)-C(5)	128.9(2)	H(7)-C(7)-C(6)	116(2)
		H(7)-C(7)-C(8)	124(2)
H(1)-C(1)-H(2)	115(3)	H(8)-C(8)-C(7)	117(2)
H(2)-C(1)-H(2')	108(3)	H(8)-C(8)-C(9)	124(2)
H(3)-C(2)-H(4)	92(3)	H(9)-C(9)-C(8)	123(3)
H(4)-C(2)-H(4')	115(4)	H(9)-C(9)-C(10)	116(3)
Mean	107(6)	H(10)-C(10)-C(5)	117(2)
		H(10)-C(10)-C(9)	122(2)
C(4)-C(3)-C(5)	125.0(2)	Mean	120(1)
C(3)-C(4)-C(4')	117.6(2)		
C(3)-C(4)-H(5)	124(2)		
C(4')-C(4)-H(5)	118(2)		

TABLE 3.3 (Cont'd)

(c) Intramolecular non-bonded distances within the limits of the van der Waals radii (Å): C(sp), 1.7; C(sp<sup>2</sup>), 1.85; C(sp<sup>3</sup>), 2.0; H, 1.2; O, 1.4; Si, 1.95.

(i) Phenyl...Butadiene

H(6)···C(3)	2.69	C(5)···H(5)	2.74
H(10)···C(3)	2.62	C(10)···H(5)	2.80
H(10)···C(4)	2.69	C(10)···C(4)	3.00
H(10)···H(5)	2.26		

(ii) Phenyl...Methyl

H(6)···C(2)	3.19	C(6)···C(2)	3.80
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(iii) Phenyl...Silicon

H(6)···Si	3.05	C(6)···Si	3.38
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TABLE 3.3 (Cont'd)

(d) Intermolecular non-bonded distances within the limits of the contact radii:

C(2)···C(4 <sup>I</sup> )*	3.68	C(5)···H(7 <sup>III</sup> )	3.03
C(4)···H(3 <sup>II</sup> )	3.02	C(8)···H(5 <sup>IV</sup> )	2.93

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the following co-ordinate transformations:

I	x, y, 1 + z	III	-1/2 -x, -y, -1/2 + z
II	x, y, -1 + z	IV	-1/2 -x, 1 -y, 1/2 + z

TABLE 3.4

Selected interatomic distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) in (II)(a) Bond lengths

Ru-C(3)	2.293(3)	C(3)-C(4)	1.447(5)
Ru-C(6)	2.294(3)	C(5)-C(6)	1.448(4)
Mean	2.294(2)	Mean	1.448(3)
Ru-C(4)	2.187(3)		
Ru-C(5)	2.187(3)	C(4)-C(5)	1.407(5)
Mean	2.187(2)		
		C(3)-C(11)	1.475(5)
Ru-C(100)	1.906(4)	C(6)-C(21)	1.477(5)
Ru-C(101)	1.921(4)	Mean	1.476(4)
Ru-C(102)	1.941(4)		
Mean	1.923(10)	C(11)-C(12)	1.385(6)
		C(12)-C(13)	1.396(7)
C(100)-O(1)	1.136(5)	C(13)-C(14)	1.380(8)
C(101)-O(2)	1.128(6)	C(14)-C(15)	1.355(8)
C(102)-O(3)	1.134(5)	C(15)-C(16)	1.371(7)
Mean	1.133(3)	C(16)-C(11)	1.415(6)
		Mean	1.387(8)
Si-C(1)	1.885(5)	C(21)-C(22)	1.394(6)
Si-C(2)	1.868(4)	C(22)-C(23)	1.402(7)
Mean	1.875(8)	C(23)-C(24)	1.374(8)
		C(24)-C(25)	1.367(8)
Si-C(3)	1.883(3)	C(25)-C(26)	1.391(6)
Si-C(6)	1.876(3)	C(26)-C(21)	1.394(5)
Mean	1.880(4)	Mean	1.390(5)

TABLE 3.4 (Cont'd)

(b) Interbond angles

Ru-C(100)-O(1)	178.7(4)	C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	114.8(3)
Ru-C(101)-O(2)	178.7(4)	C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	114.0(3)
Ru-C(102)-O(3)	175.2(4)	Mean	114.4(4)
Mean	177.5(12)		
		C(4)-C(3)-C(11)	122.3(3)
C(100)-Ru-C(101)	90.0(2)	C(5)-C(6)-C(21)	121.1(3)
C(100)-Ru-C(102)	94.7(2)	Mean	121.7(6)
C(101)-Ru-C(102)	96.9(2)		
Mean	94(2)	C(3)-C(11)-C(12)	120.5(3)
		C(3)-C(11)-C(16)	122.1(3)
C(1)-Si-C(2)	108.4(2)	C(6)-C(21)-C(22)	122.0(3)
C(3)-Si-C(6)	87.7(1)	C(6)-C(21)-C(26)	120.7(3)
		Mean	121.3(4)
C(1)-Si-C(3)	111.9(2)		
C(1)-Si-C(6)	114.5(2)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	120.3(4)
C(2)-Si-C(3)	117.0(2)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	119.9(5)
C(2)-Si-C(6)	116.3(2)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	121.0(5)
Mean	114.9(11)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	119.5(4)
		C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	121.8(4)
Si-C(3)-C(4)	105.3(2)	C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	117.4(4)
Si-C(6)-C(5)	106.0(2)	Mean	119.9(6)
Mean	105.7(4)	C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	120.9(4)
		C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	120.2(5)
Si-C(3)-C(11)	127.8(2)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	119.9(5)
Si-C(6)-C(21)	128.5(2)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	120.3(4)
Mean	128.2(4)	C(25)-C(26)-C(21)	121.4(4)
		C(26)-C(21)-C(22)	117.4(3)
		Mean	119.7(7)

TABLE 3.4 (Cont'd)

(c) Intramolecular non-bonded distances

Ru...Si	2.992	C(2)...C(26)	3.66
Si...C(12)	3.34	C(2)...C(102)	3.22
Si...C(26)	3.37	C(4)...C(16)	3.04
Si...C(102)	3.44	C(5)...C(22)	2.99
C(1)...C(4)	3.66	C(16)...C(100)	3.43
C(1)...C(5)	3.69	C(21)...C(101)	3.44
C(2)...C(12)	3.71	C(22)...C(101)	3.37



TABLE 3.4 (Cont'd)

(d) Intermolecular non-bonded distances within the limits of the van der Waals radii:

C(1)...C(2 <sup>I</sup> )*	3.86	C(1)...C(16 <sup>II</sup> )	3.84
C(1)...C(15 <sup>II</sup> )	3.69	C(14)...C(102 <sup>III</sup> )	3.54

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the following co-ordinate transformations:

I	$1/2 - x, -1/2 + y, -z$	III	$1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, z$
II	$x, -1 + y, z$		

TABLE 3.5

Equations of least-squares planes of (I) in which X, Y, Z refer to orthogonal co-ordinates in Å. Deviations of selected atoms from the plane are given in square brackets.

Plane 1: C(3), C(3'), C(4), C(4')

$$0.589Y + 0.809Z - 2.001 = 0$$

[Si -0.083, C(3), C(3'), C(4), C(4') 0, C(5) -0.064, C(6) 0.162, H(5) -0.055]

Plane 2: Si, C(1), C(2)

$$X = 0$$

Plane 3: Si, C(3), C(3')

$$0.639Y + 0.769Z - 2.085 = 0$$

[C(3) 0.017, C(4) -0.192, C(5) -0.003, C(6) 0.003, C(7) 0.000  
C(8) 0.000, C(9) -0.003, C(10) 0.005, H(6) -0.028, H(7) -0.097  
H(8) 0.071, (9) 0.027, H(10) 0.089]

Angles (<sup>o</sup>) between planes:

(1) - (2)	90*	(1) - (4)	13.7
(1) - (3)	3.7		

\* By symmetry

TABLE 3.6

Least-squares-planes of (II)

Plane 1: C(3) - (6)

$$0.561X - 0.824Y - 0.080Z - 2.361 = 0$$

[Ru -1.848, Si 0.722, C(3) -0.001, C(4) 0.003, C(5) -0.003,  
C(6) 0.001, C(11) -0.028, C(16) -0.518, C(21) -0.040, C(26) 0.337]

Plane 2: Si, C(1), C(2)

$$0.772X + 0.586Y - 0.246Z - 2.733 = 0$$

Plane 3: Si, C(3), C(6)

$$0.609X - 0.656Y + 0.446Z - 4.497 = 0$$

Plane 4: C(11) - (16)

$$0.661X - 0.684Y + 0.308Z - 4.313 = 0$$

[C(3) 0.009, C(4) 0.515, C(11) -0.008, C(12) 0.009, C(13) -0.003,  
C(14) -0.006, C(15) 0.001, C(16) 0.007]

Plane 5: C(21) - (26)

$$0.574X - 0.784Y + 0.238Z - 3.610 = 0$$

[C(5) 0.410, C(6) 0.027, C(21) 0.000, C(22) -0.006, C(23) 0.010,  
C(24) 0.000, C(25) -0.008, C(26) 0.006]

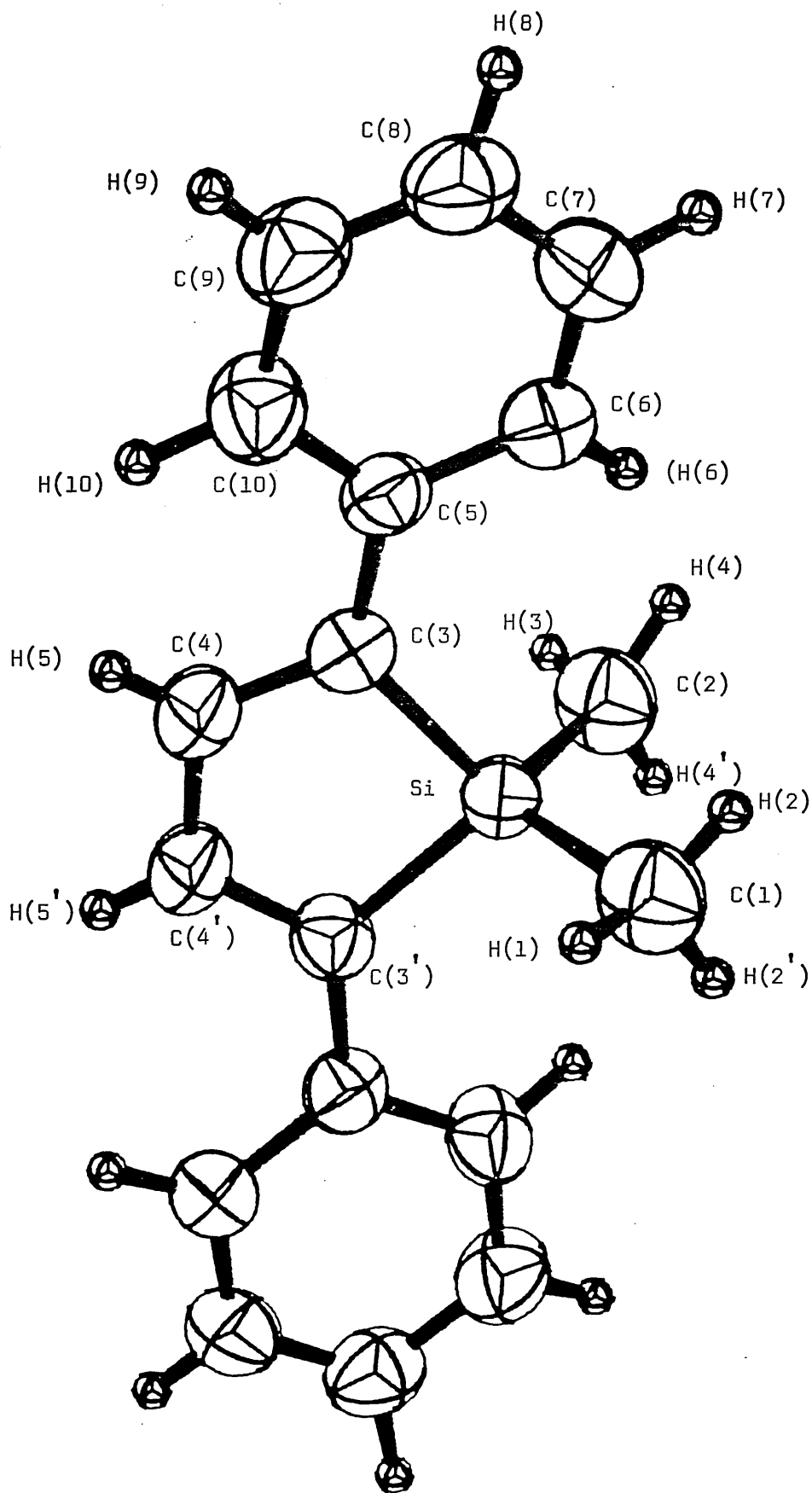
Angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) between planes:

(1) - (2)	91.7	(1) - (4)	24.5
(1) - (3)	32.2	(1) - (5)	18.4



Figure 3.3: A view of the silacyclopentadiene molecule (I). Thermal ellipsoids enclose 50% of probability. Hydrogen atoms are shown with arbitrary radii for clarity.





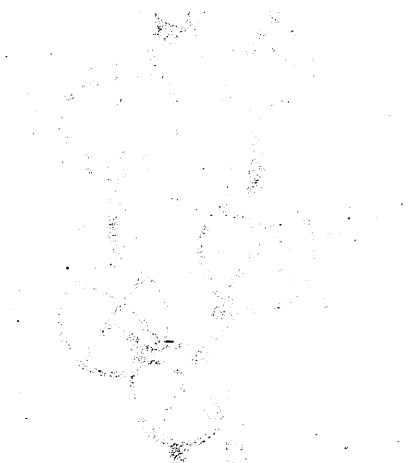


Figure 3.4: A view of the (silacyclopentadiene) -  
tricarbonylruthenium molecule (II);  
thermal ellipsoids enclose 50% of  
probability. Hydrogen atoms are  
not shown.



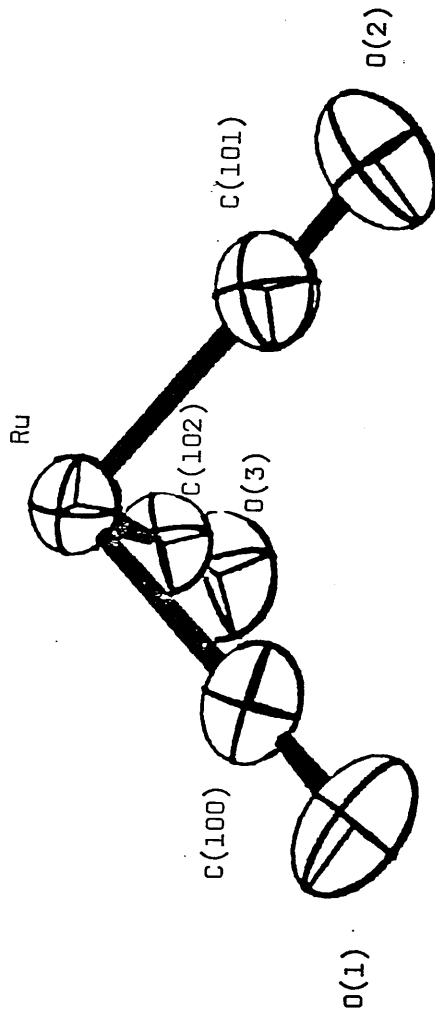
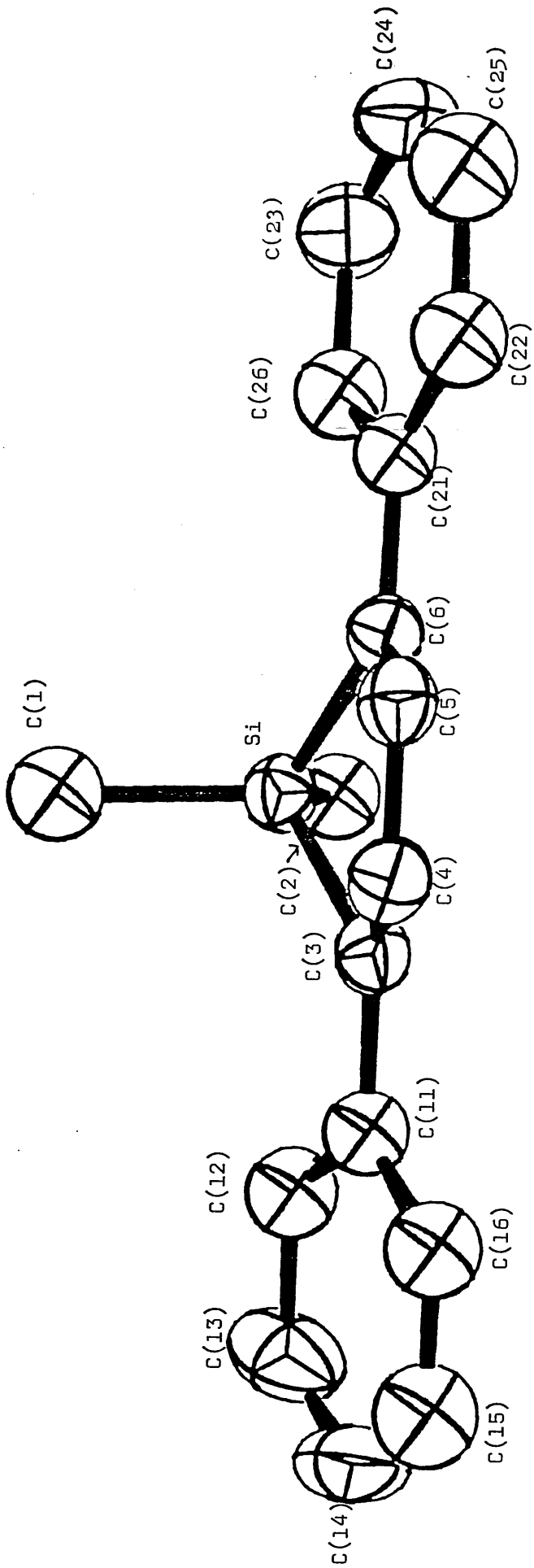
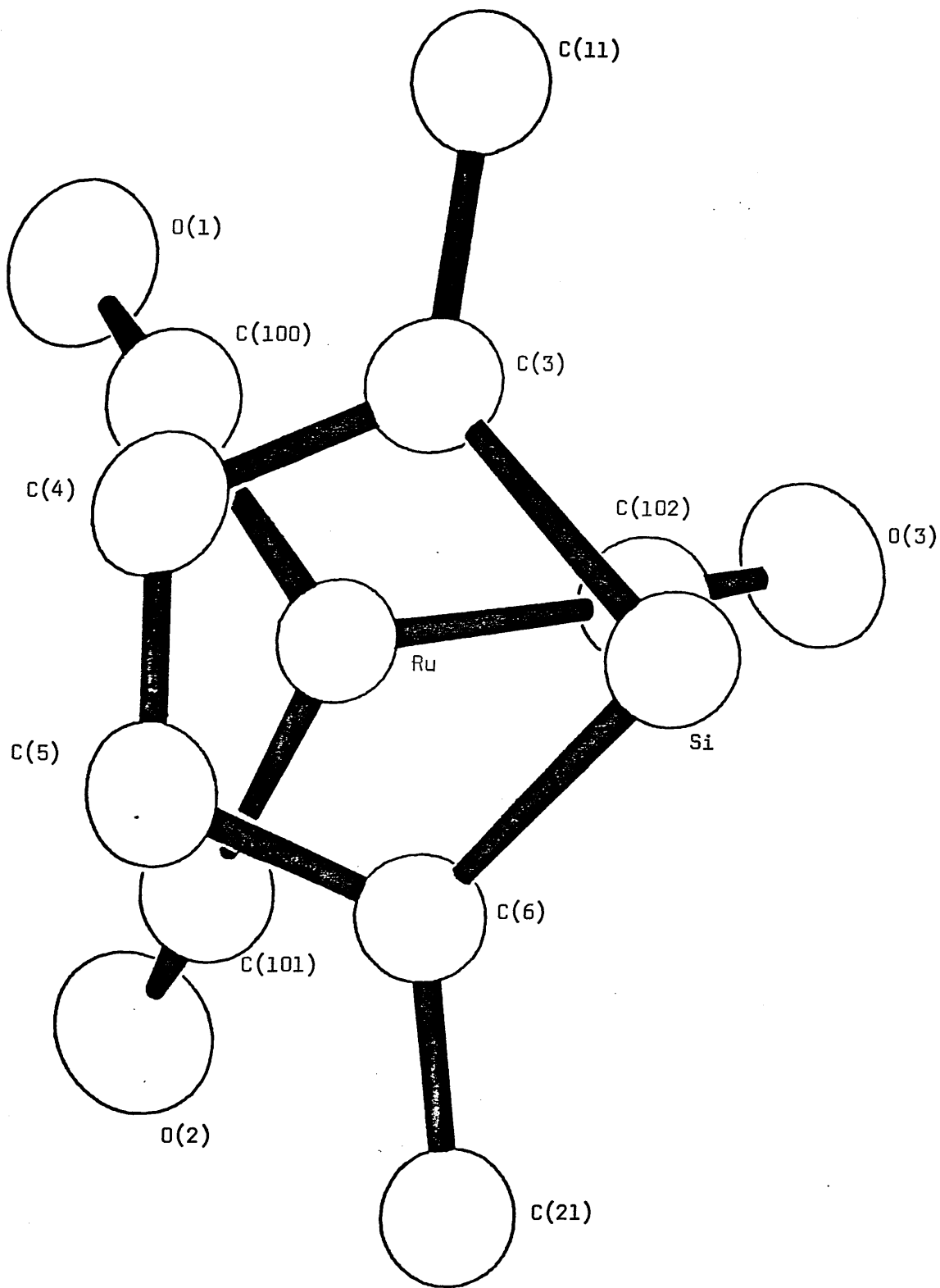


Figure 3.5: A view of the molecular structure of (II) in projection onto the butadiene plane.



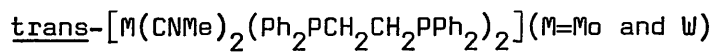




CHAPTER FOUR

The Crystal and Molecular Structures of

the Isocyanide Complexes



#### 4.1. INTRODUCTION

It has been observed that the co-ordination of isocyanides to transition metals in their intermediate or higher oxidation states results in an increase of the  $\nu(\text{NC})$  stretching frequency relative to that of the free ligand.<sup>1</sup> This may be attributed to the use, in bonding to the metal, of the essentially lone pair orbital on the donor carbon atom, thereby enhancing the  $\text{C}(\text{sp})\text{-N } \sigma$ -bonding. In some cases nucleophilic attack at the donor atom is facilitated.<sup>1</sup> However, low-valent metals produce a decrease of  $\nu(\text{NC})$  relative to that of the free isocyanide. This arises from backdonation to the isocyanide  $\pi^*$  orbitals.<sup>2</sup> Interestingly, there is apparently no report of electrophilic attack at the ligating isocyanide in such cases, possibly because in the majority of systems studied to date the isocyanide competes with carbon monoxide or isocyanide co-ligands for metal  $d\pi$  electrons.<sup>3</sup>

A series of complexes trans- $[\text{M}(\text{CNR})_2(\text{dppe})_2]$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Mo}$  or  $\text{W}$ ;  $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ,  $\text{Bu}^t$ ,  $\text{Ph}$ ,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4}$ ,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Cl-4}$ ,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{Cl}_2\text{-2, 6}$ , or  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{OMe-4}$ ;  $\text{dppe} = \text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{PPh}_2$ ) has been prepared by Chatt and co-workers.<sup>4</sup>

These derivatives contain metal sites which are such powerful electron donors that they activate dinitrogen.<sup>5</sup> In these isocyanide complexes the build-up of charge on the carbon-donor ligand gives it some "carbene-like" character, engendering ready electrophilic attack at the nitrogen atom and producing the greatest observed decrease in  $\nu(\text{NC})$  for terminal isocyanide ligands in uncharged complexes.<sup>4</sup>

Thus, for example,  $\nu(\text{NC})$  for the complex trans- $[\text{Mo}(\text{CNMe})_2(\text{dppe})_2]$  is  $1886 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in tetrahydrofuran solution, which is  $279 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  smaller than the corresponding value for free methyl isocyanide. The corres-

ponding frequencies of the analogous tungsten derivative are 1850 and  $315\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , respectively. The  $\nu(\text{NC})$  frequencies throughout the series of bis-isocyanide complexes are very low relative to those of the unbound isocyanides and close to the range (ca.  $1750 - 1800\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) of bridging isocyanides which display<sup>6</sup> CNC interbond angles of ca.  $125^\circ$ .

In order to obtain structural information on the metal-isocyanide bonding in these systems accurate X-ray analyses of two representative complexes trans- $[\text{M}(\text{CNMe})_2(\text{dppe})_2]$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Mo}$  and  $\text{W}$ ) were undertaken. A preliminary account of this work has been published.<sup>4</sup>

A full description of the analysis of the molybdenum derivative, (I), is now given. For comparison, brief details of the tungsten analogue (II) are also presented.

#### 4.2. EXPERIMENTAL

Crystal Data - Complex (I).  $C_{56}H_{54}N_2P_4Mo$ ,  $M = 974.9$ .

Triclinic,  $a = 10.747$ ,  $b = 10.555$ ,  $c = 12.565 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\alpha = 72.37^\circ$ ,  
 $\beta = 87.78^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 61.80^\circ$ ,  $T = 20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $U = 1187.9 \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $D_c = 1.363$   
 $\text{gm cm}^{-3}$ ,  $Z = 1$ ,  $F(000) = 506$ . Mo -  $K_\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ \AA}$ ,  
 $\mu(\text{Mo} - K_\alpha) = 4.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Space group  $P\bar{1}$ .

Complex (II).  $C_{56}H_{54}N_2P_4W$ ,  $M = 1062.8$ . Triclinic,  $a = 10.731$ ,  
 $b = 10.535$ ,  $c = 12.552 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\alpha = 72.38^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 87.83^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 61.98^\circ$ ,  
 $T = 20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $U = 1184.6 \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $D_c = 1.490 \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$ ,  $Z = 1$ ,  $F(000) = 538$ .  
Mo -  $K_\alpha$  radiation,  $\mu(\text{Mo} - K_\alpha) = 16.7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Space group  $P\bar{1}$ .

Crystallographic Measurements - Complex (I). The crystals are red  
air-stable plates. The specimen used in the analysis displayed  
all members of the  $\{100\}$ ,  $\{001\}$  and  $\{221\}$  forms, and the perpendicular  
distances between parallel faces were 0.16, 0.06 and 0.30 mm.

The crystal system and the dimensions of a reduced triclinic cell  
were obtained by X-ray photography. The unit-cell dimensions were  
later adjusted by a least-squares treatment of the setting angles of  
11 reflexions measured on a Hilger and Watts' Y290 diffractometer  
controlled by a PDP8 computer.<sup>7</sup> The space group  $P\bar{1}$  led to a  
satisfactory structural analysis which included the location of  
hydrogen atoms.

Complex(II). The crystals are deep-red air-stable plates. The  
specimen used in the structural measurements had dimensions ca.  
0.21 x 0.30 x 0.45 mm.

The crystal system and unit-cell dimensions were derived by X-ray

photography. Final values of the cell dimensions were obtained by a least-squares method.<sup>7</sup> The crystals are nearly isomorphous with those of the molybdenum analogue.<sup>4</sup>

Intensity Measurements - Complex (I). The intensities of all independent reflexions for which  $\theta(\text{Mo} - \text{K}_\alpha) \leq 28^\circ$  were measured on the Y290 diffractometer with the use of graphite-monochromated molybdenum radiation and a pulse-height analyser. A symmetrical  $\theta - 2\theta$  scan was employed, with a scan step in  $\theta$  of  $0.02^\circ$  and a counting time per step of 2.5 s. Each reflexion was scanned through a  $2\theta$  range of  $1.2^\circ$  and the local background was counted for 15 s at each end of the scan range. The intensities of three strong reflexions, measured periodically throughout the experiment, showed only random fluctuations of up to  $\pm 5\%$  of their mean values.

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ , were derived from standard relationships described earlier in the text (q 0.04).<sup>8</sup> They were corrected for Lorentz, polarisation and counting-loss effects. No correction for the effects of absorption was applied, since a test calculation with a Gaussian integration grid<sup>9</sup> of  $14 \times 14 \times 14$  points indicated that the transmission factors were in the narrow range 0.96 - 0.98.

Of 3816 reflexions measured only 3620 for which  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$  were used in subsequent calculations.

Complex (II). The intensities of all independent reflexions for which  $\theta(\text{Mo} - \text{K}_\alpha) \leq 28^\circ$  were measured on the Y290 diffractometer in a manner comparable to that adopted for complex (I).

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ ,

were derived using standard relationships ( $q \approx 0.04$ ).<sup>8</sup> They were corrected for Lorentz and polarisation effects.

Of 5660 reflexions measured only 5657 for which  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$  were used in subsequent calculations.

Structure Analysis - Complex (I). The position of the molybdenum atom at the origin of the unit cell, and the co-ordinates of each phosphorus atom were deduced from a Patterson synthesis. The remaining non-hydrogen atoms were located in subsequent difference syntheses.

The structure was refined by the method of full-matrix least-squares. The function minimised was  $\sum w \Delta^2$ , where  $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$  and  $\Delta = |F_o| - |F_c|$ . Atomic scattering factors were taken from ref.10, except those for hydrogen atoms.<sup>11</sup> Allowance was made for the anomalous scattering of the molybdenum and phosphorus atoms using values of  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$  from ref.12.

A structure factor calculation based on the molybdenum and phosphorus atoms with isotropic temperature factors gave  $R \approx 0.30$ . When the remaining non-hydrogen atoms were included  $R$  decreased to 0.092. Anisotropic temperature factors were then assigned to the molybdenum and phosphorus atoms, and to the carbon and nitrogen atoms of the isocyanide ligand, giving rise to  $R \approx 0.059$  and  $R' \approx 0.068$ . A difference synthesis was then calculated using only the 1075 reflexions for which  $\sin\theta/\lambda \leq 0.40$ . This indicated the position of every hydrogen atom except that attached to the phenyl carbon atom C(16); the peak heights of these atoms ranged from 0.60 to  $0.94 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ . The methyl geometry was rather ill-determined: ranges were  $\angle(\text{C-H}) \approx 0.96 - 1.35^\circ$ ,  $\angle\text{N-C(Me)-H} \approx 94.8 - 112.3^\circ$ , and  $\angle\text{H-C(Me)-H} \approx 101.7 - 121.6^\circ$ ; the value of  $1.35 \text{ \AA}$  was associated with the rather diffuse

peak of the atom H(4a). The phenyl and methylene geometries were idealised and the scattering of all the hydrogen atoms was included in the subsequent structure factor calculations but the positional and assumed vibrational parameters of these atoms were not varied. The refinement converged at  $R$  0.048 and  $R^w$  0.058. In the final cycle of least-squares all parameters shifted by  $< 0.2 \sigma$ . In addition, the standard deviation of an observation of unit weight was 1.9, suggesting that the accuracy of the data was slightly over-estimated. However, the absence of significant trends when the mean values of  $w\Delta^2$  were analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin\theta$  indicated that the relative weights were satisfactory. In the final difference synthesis the extreme function values were 0.8 and  $-0.5 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ . The positive peak was situated between the atoms C(33) and C(34), and the negative peak was close to the atom P(2). The minimum peak height for a carbon atom in the final electron density synthesis was  $4.0 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ .

Observed and calculated structure amplitudes are listed in the Appendix (pp. 166-189). Atomic parameters are given in Table 4.1 and a selection of derived functions is presented in Tables 4.2 and 4.3. The atomic numbering scheme is indicated and a view of the molecular structure is shown in Figure 4.1.

The computer programs employed have been described previously.<sup>13</sup>

Complex (II). The structural parameters<sup>4</sup> of the molybdenum analogue (I) were used in a trial solution and this led to a satisfactory analysis.

The model was refined by the least-squares method ( $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$ ).

Atomic scattering factors were taken from refs. 10 and 11. Correction



for the anomalous scattering of the tungsten and phosphorus atoms was applied.<sup>12</sup>

Refinement of the scale factor and of the positional and isotropic thermal parameters of the non-hydrogen atoms led to R 0.085 and R<sup>w</sup> 0.094. When anisotropic temperature factors were assigned to the tungsten and phosphorus atoms R and R<sup>w</sup> decreased significantly to 0.045 and 0.061, respectively. In the final cycle of refinement the shifts in the parameters were close to 10<sup>-4</sup> except those of the tungsten thermal parameters (1 - 5σ). The analysis was terminated at this stage.

A selection of bond lengths and interbond angles is presented in Table 4.4. The atomic labelling scheme is that of Fig. 4.1 (with molybdenum replaced by tungsten).

### 4.3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### (a) Complex (I)

The crystals are composed of discrete monomeric trans -  $[\text{Mo}(\text{CNMe})_2 - (\text{dppe})_2]$  molecules. The intermolecular distances (Table 4.2(e)) are in the range expected for normal van der Waals contacts.<sup>14</sup>

The Metal Co-ordination - As expected, the molybdenum co-ordination is distorted octahedral. The isocyanide ligands occupy axial trans positions, and the phosphorus atoms and the molybdenum atom define an equatorial plane. Moreover, exact  $C_i$  crystallographic symmetry is imposed on each molecule as a space group requirement.

The Mo-C(donor) vector is not strictly normal to the equatorial plane but is inclined to it at an angle of  $82.4^\circ$ . The metal co-ordination is, thus, strikingly similar to that observed in the analogous dinitrogen complex trans -  $[\text{Mo}(\text{N}_2)_2(\text{dppe})_2]$  (III).<sup>15</sup>

The distortions of the P-Mo-CNMe angles appear to arise from steric effects. Thus, the intramolecular non-bonded contacts  $[\text{C}(3) \dots \text{C}(16^*) 3.44, \text{C}(3) \dots \text{C}(26) 3.32, \text{C}(3) \dots \text{C}(36) 3.38, \text{and } \text{C}(3) \dots \text{C}(41^*) 3.40 \text{ \AA}]$  (Table 4.2(d)) involving the carbon-donor and the phenyl carbon atoms suggest that the molecules of (I) are subject to some steric strain.

The Diphosphine Geometry - The molybdenum-phosphorus Mo-P(1) and Mo-P(2) bonded distances, respectively  $2.442(1)$  and  $2.457(2) \text{ \AA}$ , are comparable to the values found in other arylphosphine or diphosphine complexes of molybdenum(0).<sup>16</sup> Moreover, they are in good agreement with the corresponding bond lengths  $[2.445(1) \text{ and } 2.462(1) \text{ \AA}]$  in the dinitrogen complex (III).<sup>15</sup> The highly significant difference of ca.

0.02 Å in the lengths of the cis-Mo-P bonds in each of these complexes may be attributed to intramolecular steric overcrowding (vide supra). These values are all significantly shorter than the estimated Mo(0)-P single bond length of 2.71 Å derived from the covalent radii of molybdenum<sup>17</sup> and phosphorus<sup>14</sup> atoms (1.61 and 1.10 Å, respectively). This contraction has been attributed either to significant Mo-P  $d_{\pi} - d_{\pi}$  backbonding<sup>16a</sup> or to distortions from exact  $d^2sp^3$  hybridisation.<sup>18</sup>

Steric strain is also apparent in highly significant differences in the lengths of equivalent P-C bonds in both (I) and (III). Thus, in (I) the P-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) distances differ by 0.026(8) Å ( $\Delta/\sigma = 3.25$ ). Moreover, the P-C(sp<sup>2</sup>) bond lengths range from 1.841(3) to 1.860(5) Å. The same pattern of bond length variation is also seen in (III), the individual distances being in excellent agreement with those of (I). Despite these distortions the mean distances are normal: those of (I) are P-C(sp<sup>2</sup>) 1.847(4) Å and P-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) 1.869(13) Å.<sup>19</sup> In addition, the CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub> bond length of 1.508(7) Å is close to the accepted value of 1.54 Å for a C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) distance.<sup>20</sup>

The P(1)-Mo-P(2) interbond angle involving mutually-cis phosphorus atoms is only 79.6(1)<sup>o</sup> [cf. 79.4(2)<sup>o</sup> in (III)] and this may be attributed to a constraint of chelation. Other valency angles at the phosphorus atoms also display significant distortions. Thus, the Mo-P-C(Ph) interbond angles [range 117.0(2) - 124.7(2)<sup>o</sup>] are considerably greater than the ideal tetrahedral value of 109<sup>o</sup>28'. Furthermore, the C-P-C angles [range 96.7(2) - 103.0(2)<sup>o</sup>] are much less than the latter value. This pattern of distortion is commonly observed in transition metal complexes of arylphosphines.<sup>16a</sup> However, the magnitude of the effect in the title complex (I) is somewhat

greater than is typically observed, providing further evidence of steric strain in the molecules of (I). In addition, the Mo-P-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) and P-C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) angles are regular, having mean values of 109(2) and 110(1)<sup>o</sup>, respectively; that there are no appreciable distortions of these angles may be attributed to constraints imposed by ring formation.

The five-membered chelate ring is puckered, as expected,<sup>21</sup> with the methylene carbon atoms C(1) and C(2) displaced on the same side of the equatorial plane by 0.84 and 0.21 Å<sup>o</sup>, respectively. The ring conformation is, thus, unsymmetrical: torsion angles about the Mo-P bonds are P(1)-Mo-P(2)-C(2) -6.4(2)<sup>o</sup> and P(2)-Mo-P(1)-C(1) 28.6(2)<sup>o</sup>, and the P-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-P dihedral angle is -47.1(6)<sup>o</sup>. These values are normal, being in the range observed in a variety of metal-diphosphine systems.<sup>22</sup>

The Molybdenum-Isocyanide Bonding - The molybdenum-carbon Mo-C(3) bond length of 2.095(4) Å<sup>o</sup> is appreciably shorter than the estimated Mo-C(sp) single-bond length<sup>23</sup> [2.32 Å<sup>o</sup>] indicating that there is considerable Mo(4d) → (C≡N) π\* backdonation. Indeed, it is only slightly longer than the Mo-CO(trans to CO) bonds in [Mo(CO)<sub>6</sub>] (2.06 Å<sup>o</sup>)<sup>24</sup> and [Mo(CO)<sub>4</sub>(Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>PPh<sub>2</sub>)] (2.04 Å<sup>o</sup>).<sup>25</sup> This trend is also displayed in the complex [Mo(π-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)I(CO)<sub>2</sub>(CNPh)] where the Mo-CO and Mo-CNR bond lengths differ by about 0.05 Å.<sup>23</sup> The bond length data, therefore, imply that isocyanide is almost as good a π-acceptor as carbon monoxide, as has been noted in other systems.<sup>23</sup>

The most interesting feature of the molecular structure is the geometry of the isocyanide ligand. The Mo-C-N angle of 176.2(5)<sup>o</sup> is close to 180<sup>o</sup>, as expected. However, the C(sp)-N-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) angle

is only  $155.1(5)^\circ$ , much smaller than the approximately  $180^\circ$  usually found in terminal isocyanide derivatives.<sup>3</sup> Prior to the present work, the only cases of considerable bending at the nitrogen atom were those observed in the derivatives cis- $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_2(\text{CNMe})_4] \cdot 4\text{CHCl}_3$  and cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{CNPh})(\text{PEt}_3)]$ .<sup>26, 27</sup> C-N-C angles of  $156(7)$  and  $165.5(30)^\circ$ , respectively, were noted in these complexes. However, the crystal used in the X-ray analysis of the iron compound had a large proportion of disordered chloroform solvate: the distortion of the isocyanide group could result from crystal packing effects. Moreover, the pronounced non-linearity observed in the above platinum (II) - isocyanide complex does not appear to be a general feature of such systems since it is not paralleled in the geometries of cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{CNEt})(\text{PEt}_2\text{Ph})]$  and cis- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{CNPh})_2]$ .<sup>28</sup> However, a very pronounced bending has been reported recently for the derivative  $[\text{Ru}(\text{CNBu}^t)_4(\text{PPh}_3)]$ : the C-N-C angle of  $130(2)^\circ$  is believed to be of electronic rather than steric origin.<sup>29</sup>

Although relatively sophisticated molecular orbital treatments of isocyanide systems<sup>30</sup> have been carried out, it is, perhaps, instructive to consider the valence bond formulation.<sup>14</sup> Thus, in valence bond terms the electronic structure can be represented as an appropriately weighted combination of the forms (A) and (B), with



a major contribution from structure (B) in cases of large bending at the nitrogen atom. If form (B) is predominant in a particular molecule, a short M-C bond and a long C-N bond would be expected. A relatively short Mo-C(donor) distance is, indeed, found in (I) (as noted above). However, the C(sp)-N distance of  $1.094(7) \overset{\circ}{\text{A}}$

is similar to that in methyl isocyanide itself [1.166 Å].<sup>31</sup> Furthermore, the corresponding values in other complexes with terminal isocyanide ligands are also close to those found in the free isocyanides.<sup>3</sup> This is, perhaps, not surprising since in transition metal complexes containing the isoelectronic carbonyl ligand the C-O bond lengths are insensitive to bond order changes in the region 2 - 3.<sup>32</sup> In addition, the N-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) distance, 1.449(10) Å, is normal.<sup>20</sup>

Although a steric mechanism could produce an unusually large bending at the isocyanide nitrogen atom, an electronic effect is strongly indicated by the following observations:

(a) There are no exceptionally short intramolecular contacts involving the methyl carbon atom either in its observed position or that calculated assuming linearity of the C(sp)-N-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) fragment.

(b) Throughout the series of bis-isocyanide complexes trans - [M(CNR)<sub>2</sub>(dppe)<sub>2</sub>] the lowering of the ν(NC) stretching frequency in the spectra of the solids, relative to that found for the free isocyanide, is very large [Mo, 303-221 cm<sup>-1</sup>; W, 336-230 cm<sup>-1</sup>] and is not altered significantly when the solid is dissolved in tetrahydrofuran.<sup>4</sup>

(c) The isocyanide complexes protonate readily at their nitrogen atoms.<sup>4</sup>

The Phenyl Geometry - The phenyl rings display only expected features.<sup>33</sup>

Thus, they are planar within experimental error. Furthermore, the C(sp<sup>2</sup>)-C(sp<sup>2</sup>) bond lengths range from 1.344(7) to 1.420(8) Å and have a mean value of 1.387(3) Å which is only slightly shorter than the spectroscopic value<sup>20</sup> [1.397(1) Å] for benzene. Moreover, the C-C-C interbond angles are close to 120°. The smallest values of this set involve the ipso-carbon atoms with a range of 117.4(3) to 118.9(4)°:

they are, thus, consistent with the P-C(Ph) distances and with the postulated Mo  $\rightarrow$  P backdonation.<sup>33</sup>

(b) Complex (II)

The molecular structure is very similar to that of the analogous molybdenum complex (I).

Of particular interest is the metal-isocyanide geometry (Table 4.4). Thus, the M-C(donor) and C(sp)-N bond lengths, 2.065(5) and 1.12(1) Å respectively, are in good agreement with the corresponding distances of (I). The C(sp)-N-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) angle again deviates significantly from 180° with a value of 151(1)° [cf. 155.1(5)° in (I)]. This observation strongly suggests that the pronounced non-linearity of the isocyanide ligand is a characteristic feature of the trans-[M(CNR)<sub>2</sub>(dppe)<sub>2</sub>] system rather than an artifact.

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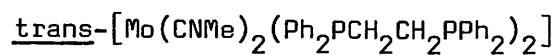
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TABLE 4.1

Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and vibrational parameters of

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
Mo	0	0	0	*
P(1)	254(1)	1966(1)	-1469(1)	*
P(2)	678(1)	1138(1)	1154(1)	*
N	-3336(5)	1948(5)	40(4)	*
C(1)	1577(4)	2297(5)	-861(3)	40(1)
C(2)	1168(4)	2573(5)	242(4)	42(1)
C(3)	-2188(5)	1326(5)	12(3)	*
C(4)	-4629(8)	2326(12)	570(7)	*
C(11)	1036(4)	1729(5)	-2778(3)	38(1)
C(12)	1073(5)	2911(5)	-3626(4)	47(1)
C(13)	1775(5)	2649(6)	-4557(4)	55(1)
C(14)	2423(5)	1216(6)	-4655(4)	57(1)
C(15)	2381(5)	29(6)	-3823(4)	54(1)
C(16)	1700(5)	284(5)	-2889(4)	46(1)
C(21)	-1285(4)	3885(4)	-2015(3)	38(1)
C(22)	-1251(5)	5224(5)	-2115(4)	45(1)
C(23)	-2457(5)	6630(5)	-2546(4)	52(1)
C(24)	-3694(5)	6734(6)	-2917(4)	58(1)
C(25)	-3751(6)	5431(6)	-2836(5)	65(1)
C(26)	-2561(5)	4022(6)	-2367(4)	52(1)
C(31)	-560(4)	2369(5)	1935(4)	42(1)
C(32)	-237(5)	2233(5)	3044(4)	52(1)
C(33)	-1221(6)	3255(6)	3546(5)	66(1)
C(34)	-2488(6)	4359(7)	2965(5)	70(1)
C(35)	-2854(6)	4519(7)	1887(5)	72(2)

TABLE 4.1 (Cont'd)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
C(36)	-1872(6)	3507(6)	1354(4)	60(1)
C(41)	2263(4)	-149(5)	2212(3)	40(1)
C(42)	3604(5)	-315(6)	2004(4)	55(1)
C(43)	4783(6)	-1303(7)	2805(5)	69(1)
C(44)	4652(6)	-2180(6)	3825(5)	67(1)
C(45)	3355(6)	-2076(6)	4031(4)	59(1)
C(46)	2156(5)	-1072(5)	3234(4)	52(1)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp [-2\pi^2 \sum_{ij} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* h_i h_j]$ . The final values of the  $U_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^3$ ) are:

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{23}$
Mo	43.7(3)	31.6(3)	28.7(3)	-24.8(2)	7.9(2)	-10.0(2)
P(1)	43.8(6)	35.5(6)	31.9(5)	-24.4(5)	6.4(5)	-9.9(4)
P(2)	47.0(6)	37.5(6)	32.8(5)	-25.5(5)	5.3(5)	-11.4(4)
N	66(3)	64(3)	59(3)	-29(3)	9(2)	-14(2)
C(3)	49(3)	38(2)	32(2)	-27(2)	9(2)	-11(2)
C(4)	69(5)	168(9)	104(6)	-17(5)	28(4)	1(6)

TABLE 4.1 (Cont'd)

(b) Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and assumed isotropic vibrational parameters for hydrogen atoms; each hydrogen atom is numbered according to the carbon atom to which it is attached.

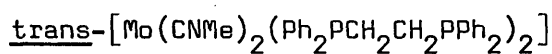
Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
H(1a)	256	138	-73	51
H(1b)	163	320	-140	51
H(2a)	198	253	66	52
H(2b)	33	363	9	52
H(4a)	-535	227	-25	134
H(4b)	-427	147	138	134
H(4c)	-515	338	50	134
H(12)	58	398	-357	57
H(13)	180	352	-516	65
H(14)	294	103	-534	66
H(15)	286	-103	-390	65
H(16)	169	-59	-228	56
H(22)	-33	518	-188	55
H(23)	-243	758	-258	62
H(24)	-456	778	-326	68
H(25)	-466	550	-311	75
H(26)	-263	307	-229	62
H(32)	72	139	348	62
H(33)	-100	316	435	75
H(34)	-320	509	334	79
H(35)	-382	535	146	83
H(36)	-213	362	55	69
H(42)	372	30	125	66
H(43)	575	-139	264	80

TABLE 4.1 (Cont'd)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
H(44)	551	-290	442	77
H(45)	325	-273	477	69
H(46)	119	-100	340	61

TABLE 4.2

Selected interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) in

(a) Bond lengths

Mo-P(1)	2.442(1)	C(14)-C(15)	1.386(8)
Mo-P(2)	2.457(2)	C(15)-C(16)	1.387(7)
Mean	2.450(8)	C(16)-C(11)	1.395(7)
Mo-C(3)	2.095(4)	C(21)-C(22)	1.398(8)
		C(22)-C(23)	1.388(5)
C(3)-N	1.094(7)	C(23)-C(24)	1.371(9)
N-C(4)	1.449(10)	C(24)-C(25)	1.378(10)
		C(25)-C(26)	1.387(6)
P(1)-C(1)	1.856(6)	C(26)-C(21)	1.384(8)
P(2)-C(2)	1.882(5)	C(31)-C(32)	1.398(7)
Mean	1.869(13)	C(32)-C(33)	1.400(8)
C(1)-C(2)	1.508(7)	C(33)-C(34)	1.344(7)
		C(34)-C(35)	1.363(10)
P(1)-C(11)	1.849(4)	C(35)-C(36)	1.420(6)
P(1)-C(21)	1.841(3)	C(36)-C(31)	1.382(6)
P(2)-C(31)	1.860(5)	C(41)-C(42)	1.391(8)
P(2)-C(41)	1.847(4)	C(42)-C(43)	1.385(7)
Mean	1.847(4)	C(43)-C(44)	1.383(8)
		C(44)-C(45)	1.366(9)
C(11)-C(12)	1.390(6)	C(45)-C(46)	1.397(6)
C(12)-C(13)	1.394(7)	C(46)-C(41)	1.396(6)
C(13)-C(14)	1.378(8)	Mean	1.387(3)

TABLE 4.2 (Cont'd)

(b) <u>Bond angles</u>			
P(1)-Mo-P(2)	79.6(1)	P(1)-C(11)-C(12)	122.7(4)
P(1)-Mo-C(3)	95.6(1)	P(1)-C(11)-C(16)	118.7(3)
P(2)-Mo-C(3)	94.2(2)	P(1)-C(21)-C(22)	124.4(4)
		P(1)-C(21)-C(26)	118.1(4)
Mo-C(3)-N	176.2(5)	P(2)-C(31)-C(32)	124.4(3)
C(3)-N-C(4)	155.1(5)	P(2)-C(31)-C(36)	116.7(4)
		P(2)-C(41)-C(42)	122.3(3)
Mo-P(1)-C(1)	107.1(1)	P(2)-C(41)-C(46)	119.8(4)
Mo-P(2)-C(2)	110.4(2)	Mean	121(1)
Mean	109(2)		
Mo-P(1)-C(11)	124.7(2)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	120.5(5)
Mo-P(1)-C(21)	119.4(2)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	120.3(5)
Mo-P(2)-C(31)	124.5(2)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.9(5)
Mo-P(2)-C(41)	117.0(2)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	119.9(5)
Mean	121(2)	C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	120.9(4)
		C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	118.5(4)
C(1)-P(1)-C(11)	98.0(2)	C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	120.9(5)
C(1)-P(1)-C(21)	103.0(2)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	120.4(6)
C(2)-P(2)-C(31)	96.7(2)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	119.8(4)
C(2)-P(2)-C(41)	102.8(2)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	119.9(6)
Mean	100(2)	C(25)-C(26)-C(21)	121.6(6)
C(11)-P(1)-C(21)	100.9(2)	C(26)-C(21)-C(22)	117.4(3)
C(31)-P(2)-C(41)	101.9(2)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	120.2(4)
Mean	101.4(5)	C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	120.0(6)
		C(33)-C(34)-C(35)	121.7(6)
P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	109.5(3)	C(34)-C(35)-C(36)	119.5(5)
P(2)-C(2)-C(1)	111.4(4)	C(35)-C(36)-C(31)	119.7(5)
Mean	110(1)	C(36)-C(31)-C(32)	118.9(4)



TABLE 4.2 (Cont'd)

Bond angles

C(41)-C(42)-C(43)	121.3(5)	C(44)-C(45)-C(46)	120.9(5)
C(42)-C(43)-C(44)	120.2(6)	C(45)-C(46)-C(41)	120.3(5)
C(43)-C(44)-C(45)	119.4(5)	C(46)-C(41)-C(42)	119.9(4)
Mean	119.7(3)		

TABLE 4.2 (Cont'd)

(c) Torsion angles

Mo-P(1)-C(1)-C(2)	-52.1(5)	Mo-P(2)-C(2)-C(1)	-22.6(5)
P(1)-Mo-P(2)-C(2)	-6.4(2)	P(2)-Mo-P(1)-C(1)	28.4(2)
P(2)-C(2)-C(1)-P(1)	-47.1(6)		

TABLE 4.2 (Cont'd)

(d) Intramolecular non-bonded contacts

<u>Isocyanide...Phenyl</u>			
C(3)...C(16 <sup>*</sup> )	3.44	C(3)...C(41 <sup>*</sup> )	3.40
C(3)...C(21)	3.58	C(3)...C(42 <sup>*</sup> )	3.65
C(3)...C(26)	3.32	C(4)...C(16 <sup>*</sup> )	3.69
C(3)...C(36)	3.38		

Isocyanide...MethyleneC(3)...C(1<sup>\*</sup>) 3.38Phenyl...Phenyl

C(11)...C(22)	3.67	C(26)...C(45 <sup>*</sup> )	3.70
C(11)...C(26)	3.58	C(26)...C(46 <sup>*</sup> )	3.44
C(12)...C(21)	3.16	C(31)...C(46)	3.34
C(12)...C(22)	3.53	C(32)...C(41)	3.10
C(16)...C(31 <sup>*</sup> )	3.45	C(32)...C(46)	3.15

Methylene...Phenyl

C(1)...C(12)	3.35	C(2)...C(21)	3.41
C(1)...C(16)	3.74	C(2)...C(22)	3.47
C(1)...C(22)	3.13	C(2)...C(32)	3.76
C(1)...C(41)	3.81	C(2)...C(36)	3.32
C(1)...C(42)	3.77	C(2)...C(42)	3.14

\* Co-ordinates of the starred atoms are related to those of the corresponding unstarred ones by the transformation ( $\bar{x}$ ,  $\bar{y}$ ,  $\bar{z}$ ).

TABLE 4.2 (Cont'd)

(e) Intermolecular non-bonded contacts

C(2)...C(22 <sup>I</sup> )	3.81	C(14)...C(23 <sup>II</sup> )	3.57
C(2)...C(23 <sup>I</sup> )	3.73	C(22)...C(32 <sup>I</sup> )	3.63
C(13)...C(23 <sup>II</sup> )	3.61	C(23)...C(32 <sup>I</sup> )	3.59

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the following co-ordinate transformations:

I -x, 1-y, -z

II -x, 1-y, -1-z

TABLE 4.3

Least-squares planes/line of *trans*-[Mo(CNMe)<sub>2</sub>(Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>PPh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

Plane 1: Mo, P(1), P(2)

$$7.930X - 2.594Y - 2.101z = 0$$

[C(1) 0.836, C(2) 0.208]

Plane 2: C(11) - (16)

$$9.414X + 3.870Y + 5.904Z = 0.001$$

[P(1) 0.131, C(11) 0.002, C(12) -0.006, C(13) 0.004, C(14) 0.002,  
C(15) -0.006, C(16) 0.004]

Plane 3: C(21) - (26)

$$-3.313X + 0.934Y + 11.781Z = -1.580$$

[P(1) -0.051, C(21) -0.006, C(22) -0.009, C(23) 0.014, C(24) -0.004,  
C(25) -0.011, C(26) 0.016]

Plane 4: C(31) - (36)

$$8.347X + 8.829Y - 1.456Z = 1.337$$

[P(2) 0.065, C(31) 0.006, C(32) -0.006, C(33) 0.001, C(34) 0.004  
C(35) -0.004, C(36) -0.001]

Plane 5: C(41) - (46)

$$2.229X + 9.355Y + 8.438Z = 2.214$$

[P(2) -0.025, C(41) 0.018, C(42) -0.014, C(43) 0.000, C(44) 0.011,  
C(45) -0.007, C(46) -0.007]

Line 6: Mo, C(3), N

[Mo 0.011, C(3) 0.031, N 0.020]

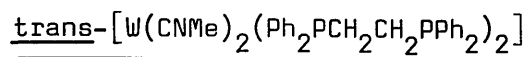
$$X = -0.184 + 0.105t, y = 0.109 - 0.061t, z = 0.002 - 0.001t$$

TABLE 4.3 (Cont'd)

Angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) between functions:

(1) - (6)	82.4	(4) - (5)	59.7
(2) - (3)	81.2		

TABLE 4.4

Selected interatomic distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) in(a) Bond lengths

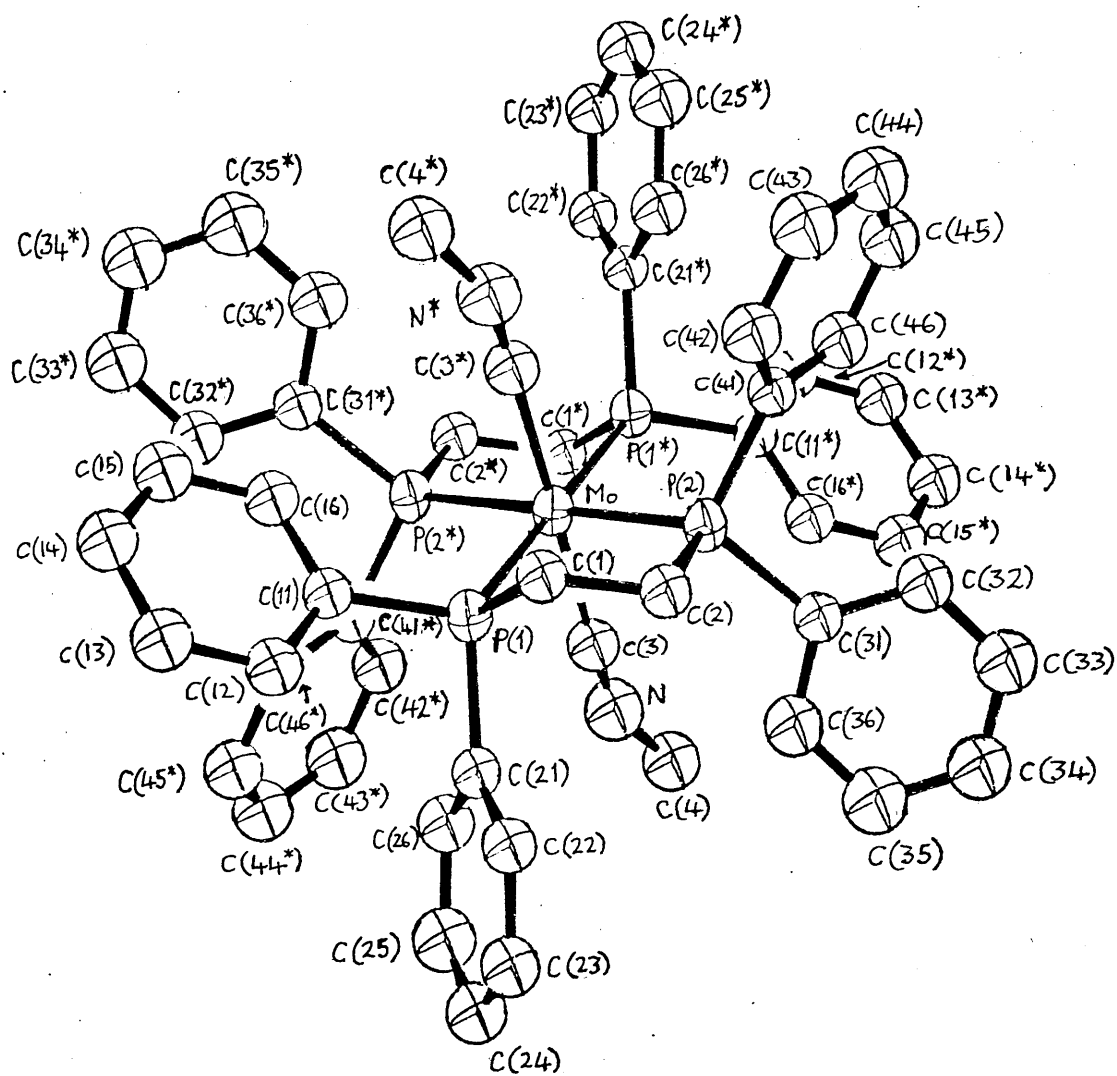
W-P(1)	2.429(2)	W-C(3)	2.065(5)
W-P(2)	2.442(4)	C(3)-N	1.12(1)
		N-C(4)	1.46(1)

(b) Bond angles

P(1)-W-P(2)	79.6(2)	W-C(3)-N	177.3(6)
P(1)-W-C(3)	95.7(2)	C(3)-N-C(4)	151(1)
P(2)-W-C(3)	94.3(3)		

Figure 4.1: A view of the trans-[Mo(CNMe)<sub>2</sub>(Ph<sub>2</sub>PCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>PPh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] molecule; thermal ellipsoids enclose 50% of probability. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.





CHAPTER FIVE

The Crystal and Molecular Structures of

the Rhenium Nitrosyl Complexes

$[\text{ReCl}_2(\text{NO})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2\text{L}]$ , (I) L = Cl,

and (II) L = MeOH

5.1. INTRODUCTION

Recently, Chatt and co-workers devised a synthetic route to novel rhenium nitrosyl complexes (Fig. 5.1):

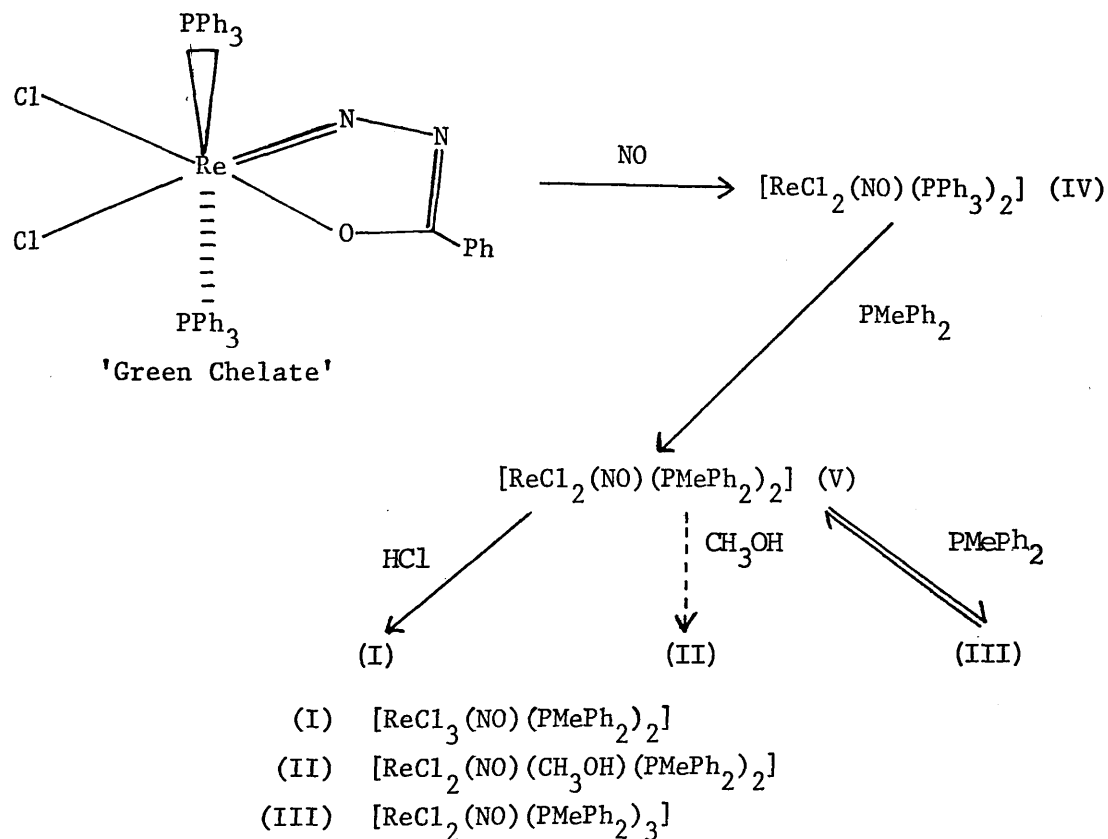


Figure 5.1: Synthesis of Rhenium nitrosyls.

The "Green chelate" gives rise to  $[\text{ReCl}_2(\text{NO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2]$  (IV) which is the parent compound of a variety of related five- and six-coordinate rhenium nitrosyl derivatives.<sup>1</sup>

A preliminary account of the structure analysis of complex (III) has been reported.<sup>1</sup> In that study it was observed that the molecules had a linear Re-N-O arrangement, consistent with the formulation of nitrosyl as the three-electron donor  $\text{NO}^+$ . From the similarity of the  $\nu(\text{NO})$  stretching frequencies in (I), (III) and (V) [1740, 1690

and  $1725\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , respectively, in chloroform solution], one can predict that the three complexes contain  $\text{NO}^+$  ligands. However, the magnetic properties of (V) appear to be anomalous.<sup>1</sup> Thus, (V) has formally a  $\text{Re(II)}\text{ d}^5$  metal ion. However, the metal oxidation state is either  $\text{Re(I)}$  or  $\text{Re(III)}$ , depending on whether the nitrosyl is co-ordinated as  $\text{NO}^+$  or  $\text{NO}^-$ . A  $\text{d}^6$  metal  $\text{NO}^+$  complex should be diamagnetic, whereas a  $\text{d}^4$   $\text{NO}^-$  species could exhibit temperature-independent paramagnetism for octahedral co-ordination and can be either paramagnetic or diamagnetic when five-co-ordinate. It is observed that (V) displays paramagnetism which is not temperature-independent.<sup>1</sup> Hence, it is difficult to assign a definite structure to (V) from magnetic and spectroscopic data.

The present author undertook the structure analysis of two representative complexes  $[\text{ReCl}_3(\text{NO})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$  (I) and  $[\text{ReCl}_2(\text{NO})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$  (V) for the following reasons.

- (i) Unambiguous evidence of the structure of (V) was required in order to understand its anomalous magnetic behaviour.
- (ii) Provision of additional structural information on rhenium nitrosyls should aid the assessment of the metal-nitrosyl bonding.
- (iii) Interest also centred on the relative trans-influence of the nitrosyl ligand.

The results, unfortunately, have yielded no structural information on complex (V) because the crystal specimen used in the diffraction experiment was found to consist entirely of the octahedral complex  $[\text{ReCl}_2(\text{NO})(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$  (II), which contains co-ordinated methanol originating from the recrystallisation solvent.

## 5.2. EXPERIMENTAL

Crystal Data. Complex (I).  $C_{26}H_{26}Cl_3NO_2P_2Re$ ,  $M = 723.0$ .  
Triclinic,  $a = 9.751$ ,  $b = 9.627$ ,  $c = 8.919 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\alpha = 116.69$ ,  
 $\beta = 88.24$ ,  $\gamma = 113.50^\circ$ ,  $T = 20-28^\circ C$ ,  $U = 674.7 \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  
 $D_c = 1.780 \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$ ,  $Z = 1$ ,  $F(000) = 353$ . Mo- $K_\alpha$  radiation,  
 $\mu(\text{Mo-}K_\alpha) = 52.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Space group  $P\bar{1}$ .

Complex(II).  $C_{27}H_{30}Cl_2NO_2P_2Re$ ,  $M = 719.6$ . Monoclinic,  
 $a = 21.998(7)$ ,  $b = 15.333(5)$ ,  $c = 9.822(3) \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\beta = 115.26(2)^\circ$ ,  
 $T = 20^\circ C$ ,  $U = 2996.1 \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $D_c = 1.595 \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$ ,  $Z = 4$ ,  
 $F(000) = 1416$ . Mo- $K_\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\mu(\text{Mo-}K_\alpha) =$   
 $46.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; Cu- $K_\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\mu(\text{Cu-}K_\alpha) = 105.1$   
 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Space group  $P2_1/a$ .

Crystallographic Measurements. The crystals of (I) are purple  
air-stable polyhedra. The specimen used had dimensions ca.  
 $0.67 \times 0.18 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$ . Crystals of (II) are brown air-stable  
extremely thin needles. The specimen chosen for the analysis was  
elongated along the c-axis and its dimensions were ca.  $0.58 \times$   
 $0.05 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$ .

The crystal systems and unit-cell dimensions were determined by  
X-ray photography. For (I), the space group  $P\bar{1}$  led to a satis-  
factory structural analysis which included the location of some of  
the hydrogen atoms. For (II), the systematic absences  $0k0$  when  
 $k = 2n + 1$  and  $h0l$  when  $h = 2n + 1$  uniquely determine the space  
group as  $P2_1/a$ . The unit-cell dimensions were adjusted by a least-  
squares treatment of the setting angles of a number [11,(I); 12(II)]

of reflexions centred on a Hilger and Watts' Y 290 diffractometer controlled by a PDP8 computer;<sup>2</sup>  $\theta$  ranges of these reflexions were  $12 \leq \theta \leq 17^\circ$  (I) and  $8 \leq \theta \leq 12^\circ$  (II). For (II), reflexions with  $\theta > 12^\circ$  and strong enough for setting purposes could not be found.

Complex (I). - The intensities of the unique reflexions for which  $\theta(\text{Mo-K}_\alpha) \leq 30^\circ$  were measured on the Y290 diffractometer with graphite-monochromated molybdenum radiation and a pulse-height analyser. A symmetrical  $\theta - 2\theta$  scan was used, with a scan step in  $\theta$  of  $0.02^\circ$  and a counting time per step of 2.5 s. Each reflexion was scanned through a  $2\theta$  range of  $1.52^\circ$ , and the local background was sampled for 15 s at each end of the scan. The intensities of three strong reflexions, measured periodically throughout the experiment, displayed systematic variations of up to +12 and -16% of their mean values because of changes in the ambient humidity and temperature attributed to malfunctioning of the laboratory air-conditioning system.

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ , were derived in the usual manner ( $q = 0.05$ ).<sup>3</sup> They were scaled according to the variations of the intensities of the standard reflexions and corrected for Lorentz, polarisation and counting-loss effects.<sup>3</sup>

Of 3897 reflexions measured, 3869 for which  $I \geq 3\sigma(I)$  were used in subsequent calculations.

Complex (II). - (a) Diffractometric Intensities

The intensities of all independent reflexions for which  $\theta(\text{Mo-K}_\alpha) \leq 18^\circ$  were measured on the Y 290 instrument with the use of zirconium-filtered molybdenum radiation and a pulse-height analyser. A

symmetrical  $\theta - 2\theta$  scan was used with a scan step of  $0.02^\circ$  in  $\theta$  and a counting-time per step of 5s. Each reflexion was scanned through a  $2\theta$  range of  $0.96^\circ$  and the local background was counted for 20 s at each end of the scan range. The intensities of two strong low-angle reflexions measured periodically throughout the experiment showed only random fluctuations of up to  $\pm 2\%$  of their mean values.

The integrated intensities,  $I$ , and their standard deviations,  $\sigma(I)$ , were derived in the usual way ( $q = 0.04$ ).<sup>3</sup> They were corrected for Lorentz and polarisation effects;<sup>3</sup> correction for dead-time losses was considered unnecessary.

Of 2129 reflexions measured, only 1327 for which  $I \geq 1.5\sigma(I)$  were used in the subsequent calculations.

#### (b) Photographic Intensities

In an attempt to include more high angle data, the intensities for (II) were re-collected by film methods. Multiple-film photographs of the  $hk0-8$  levels were obtained by the equi-inclination Weissenberg technique, with the use of copper radiation.<sup>4</sup> The time of irradiation for a particular level was in the range 2-7 days.

The intensities were estimated visually with the aid of a calibrated strip and corrected for Lorentz and polarisation effects.<sup>5</sup> The  $hk8$  layer intensities showed signs of significant crystal decomposition and were considered unworthy of measurement. 1272 unique intensities were estimated and used in subsequent calculations.

Structure Analysis. - In each analysis the position of the rhenium

atom was derived from a Patterson synthesis and the remaining non-hydrogen atoms were located in subsequent difference syntheses.

Each structural model was refined by the method of full-matrix least-squares, with minimisation of the function  $\sum w \Delta^2$ , where  $w$  is a suitable weight and  $\Delta = |F_o| - |F_c|$ . The weights were defined as  $w = (A+B|F_o| + C|F_o|^2)^{-1}$  for (I) and  $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$  (diffractometric intensities) or  $w = 1$  (photographic intensities) for (II); the parameters  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  were adjusted during the refinement of (I) so that  $\langle w \Delta^2 \rangle$  was approximately constant when analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin \theta$ . The final values employed for the parameters were  $A = 4.425$ ,  $B = -0.421$  and  $C = 0.012$ .

Atomic scattering factors were taken from ref.6, except those for rhenium<sup>7</sup> and hydrogen.<sup>8</sup> Allowance was made for the anomalous scattering of the rhenium, chlorine and phosphorus atoms with Cromer's values of  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$ .<sup>9</sup>

Complex (I). - With one molecule per unit cell there are alternative structural models: (a) the space group is  $P1$  with one molecule per asymmetric unit; and (b) the space group is  $P\bar{1}$  with the asymmetric unit consisting of half a molecule. The second alternative, which requires positional disorder, led to a successful solution.

A difference synthesis, based on phases calculated from the position of the rhenium atom, revealed the positions of most of the non-hydrogen atoms. In particular, it indicated a positional disorder of mutually-trans chloro and nitrosyl ligands.

Refinement of a scale factor and of the positional and isotropic thermal parameters of all non-hydrogen atoms led to  $R$  0.067 and



$R^2$  0.083. When anisotropic vibrational parameters were assigned to the Re, P and Cl(2) atoms,  $R$  and  $R^2$  decreased to 0.053 and 0.069, respectively. A difference synthesis revealed the positions of 5 of the 10 phenyl hydrogen atoms. The positional parameters of all such hydrogen atoms were calculated, assuming the normal phenyl ring stereochemistry. The scattering of these atoms was included in all subsequent structure factor calculations but neither their positional nor thermal parameters were varied. The refinement converged at  $R$  0.053 and  $R^2$  0.056. In the final cycle of refinement all parameters shifted by  $< 0.9\sigma$ . There were only expected features in the final difference synthesis; the peak function values ranged from +1.1 to -1.0  $e \text{ \AA}^{-3}$ , except for two values of +6.2 and -4.6  $e \text{ \AA}^{-3}$  which were associated with the position of the metal atom. In the final electron density synthesis the minimum peak height for a carbon atom was 7.1  $e \text{ \AA}^{-3}$ .

Complex (II). - (a) Diffractometric Intensities

Refinement of a scale factor and of the positional and isotropic thermal parameters of the rhenium atom led to  $R$  0.27. When the non-hydrogen atoms of the phosphine, nitrosyl and chloride ligands were included,  $R$  decreased to 0.13. Anisotropic temperature factors were then assigned to the rhenium, phosphorus and chlorine atoms, giving  $R = 0.11$ . A difference synthesis revealed that a sixth metal co-ordination site was occupied. However, the electron density associated with this ligand appeared rather diffuse, and there was only one function maximum at 3.5  $e \text{ \AA}^{-3}$ . There were difficulties in the identification of this ligand since the sample had been recrystallised from a variety of solvents in an attempt to obtain

a specimen of suitable dimensions and quality for an X-ray structural analysis. Initially, it was assumed that the sixth ligand was a water molecule. However, this assumption proved unsatisfactory in that it led to an unrealistic Re-O single bond length of 2.43 Å. Furthermore, the thermal parameters, U, of the nitrosyl atoms were rather abnormal throughout the refinement. Thus, the nitrogen and oxygen atoms had U values close to 0.03 and 0.19 Å<sup>2</sup>. Furthermore, interchange of the nitrogen and oxygen atoms of the nitrosyl ligand led to somewhat more acceptable thermal parameters of 0.13 and 0.06 Å<sup>2</sup>, respectively. These observations strongly suggested that the structural model was partially incorrect.

(b) Photographic Intensities

With a view to obtaining the structure amplitudes of additional high-angle reflexions, and hence better resolution, a set of intensities was obtained by photographic methods. The observed structure amplitudes were put on an approximately absolute scale by comparison with the amplitudes calculated for the approximate structural model already obtained. Refinement of layer scale factors and the positional and isotropic thermal parameters of the non-hydrogen atoms led to R 0.13. These parameters were found to be in good agreement with those derived from the diffractometric intensities. The atoms of the nitrosyl group and of the unidentified ligand were then removed from the structural model: R increased to 0.16. The individual layer scale factors were then fixed at their current values; an overall scale factor was introduced and an anisotropic temperature factor was assigned to the rhenium atom. R decreased to 0.13. A difference synthesis indicated that the

additional ligand consisted of two (non-hydrogen) atoms; peak function values were 2.2 and 3.4 e  $\text{\AA}^{-3}$ . Contrastingly, the corresponding values of the ligand considered to be nitrosyl were 2.8 and 1.8 e  $\text{\AA}^{-3}$  for the nitrogen and oxygen atoms, respectively. It was considered that a sixth co-ordination site was occupied by a methanol molecule; this formulation was consistent with the variety of solvents employed in the sample preparation and with the observed density measured by flotation in aqueous  $\text{ZnI}_2$  solution. At this stage the electron density was apparently consistent with alternative models for the two metal co-ordination sites (denoted A and B): (i) the original model with A = bent NO and B =  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (possibly disordered);<sup>10</sup> and (ii) A =  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  and B = linear NO. Refinement of each model was carried out.

(a) Model (i). - When the nitrosyl atoms were included in the refinement with isotropic thermal parameters R and R<sup>2</sup> were 0.12 and 0.14, respectively. The thermal parameters of these atoms were again abnormal (vide supra).

(b) Model (ii). - Isotropic thermal parameters were assigned to the nitrosyl atoms. R and R<sup>2</sup> became 0.12 and 0.14. Thus, distinction between the models on the basis of the R-ratios<sup>11</sup> was impossible. However, the second model did lead to physically reasonable thermal parameters:  $U(\text{N}) = 0.09$  and  $U(\text{O}) = 0.12 \text{\AA}^2$ . Furthermore, the Re-N and N-O bond lengths, respectively 1.70(6) and 1.18(8)  $\text{\AA}$ , were for the first time in accord with expectation (cf.  $l(\text{Re-N}) = 1.94(5) \text{\AA}$  and  $l(\text{N-O}) = 1.37(7) \text{\AA}$ , previously). Accordingly, all further refinement was carried out with this model. When the methanol carbon and oxygen atoms were included in the refinement R and R<sup>2</sup> decreased

significantly to 0.095 and 0.11, respectively. Furthermore, the thermal parameters of these atoms, namely  $U(O)$  0.11 and  $U(C)$  0.10  $\text{\AA}^2$ , were unexceptional and the Re-methanol dimensions were in the range expected (vide infra).

Despite the long exposures used, the photographic technique gave fewer usable structure amplitudes than the diffractometric experiment and the two data sets contained a high proportion of common reflexions. The refinement was, therefore, continued with the (presumably more accurate) diffractometric measurements. The positions of the hydrogen atoms of the phenyl groups were inferred from stereochemical considerations and the scattering of these atoms was included in subsequent structure factor calculations but neither the assumed thermal parameters nor the fractional atomic co-ordinates were varied. Refinement of a scale factor, anisotropic temperature factors of the rhenium, phosphorus and chlorine atoms, and isotropic thermal parameters of the remaining non-hydrogen atoms led to  $R$  0.086 and  $R^w$  0.078. In the final cycle of refinement all parameters varied by  $< 0.2 \sigma$ . The standard deviation of an observation of unit weight was 1.8. However, mean values of  $w \Delta^2$  showed no apparent trend when analysed as a function of  $|F_o|$  or  $\sin \theta$ , indicating that the weighting scheme was satisfactory. The extreme function values (1.9 and  $-1.4 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ ) in the final difference synthesis were associated with the position of the metal atom.

Observed and calculated structure amplitudes (diffractometric set for II) are listed in the Appendix (pp. 190 - 210, (I), and 211 - 224, (II)]. Atomic parameters are given in Tables 5.1 and 5.2 and a selection of derived functions is presented in Tables 5.3 - 5.6. The atomic

labelling schemes are indicated and views of the molecular structures are shown in Figures 5.2 and 5.3.

The computer programs employed have been described previously.<sup>12</sup>

### 5.3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The crystals of both structures are built from discrete monomeric molecules. The interactions between adjacent molecules are of the van der Waals type;<sup>13</sup> selected intermolecular contacts are given in Tables 5.3(d) and 5.4(d).

The Co-ordination of the Metal Atoms - The molecules of the title complexes have distorted octahedral metal co-ordination geometries. In each complex an equatorial plane is defined by the metal atom, mutually-trans P<sub>2</sub>MePh<sub>2</sub> ligands, and mutually-trans chloro and nitrosyl ligands. The axial trans co-ordination sites are occupied by two chloro ligands in (I) and by chloro and methanol ligands in (II).

There are a number of short intramolecular contacts, involving chlorine and phosphine carbon atoms (Tables 5.3(c) and 5.4(c)). The most noteworthy are: Cl(1)···C(1) 3.56, Cl(2)···C(1) 3.45, Cl(1)···C(12) 3.42, Cl(1)···C(21\*) 3.42 and Cl(1)···C(22\*) 3.20 Å in (I); and Cl(1)···C(1) 3.54, Cl(1)···C(2) 3.48, Cl(2)···C(1) 3.50, and Cl(2)···C(2) 3.46 Å in (II). Of the remaining contacts, there are only four of interest in (I): N···C(1) 3.48, N···C(21\*) 3.29, N···C(22\*) 3.23, and O···C(22\*) 3.20 Å. Since these values are not unduly short, any steric strain is expected to be small and this is, indeed, observed. Thus, the angles subtended at the rhenium atom by mutually-cis ligand donor atoms lie in the narrow range 87-93°. Moreover, individual donor atoms of (I) are displaced only slightly by up to 0.03 Å from the metal co-ordination planes (Table 5.5).

Replacement of one of the mutually-trans chloro ligands of (I) by a phosphine leads to the related complex cis-mer-[ReCl<sub>2</sub>(NO)(PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>3</sub>]

(III). The substitution of a chloride by phosphine, thereby producing a meridional arrangement of phosphine groups, is expected to produce some increase in steric strain in the primary metal co-ordination sphere. The interbond angles in (III) confirm this prediction. Thus, the angles subtended at the metal atom by cis ligands cover a wider range [84-96°] than is observed for (I).<sup>14</sup>

Substitution of a phosphine ligand of (III) by a methanol molecule, with retention of the metal configuration, leads to complex (II). The interbond angles within the  $\text{ReCl}_2(\text{NO})(\text{PMePh})_2$  fragment of (II) are similar to those of (III): those involving mutually-cis ligands lie in the range 84.0(4) to 94(1)°. However, the angles O(1)-Re-P(1) 99.6(7)°, O(1)-Re-Cl(2) 80.0(8)°, and O(1)-Re-N 102(2)°, all involving the methanol oxygen atom, deviate more from the ideal octahedral value of 90° than any of the angles in (III) involving cis-ligand donor atoms. A possible explanation is intramolecular hydrogen bonding: the O(1)···Cl(2) distance of 2.78 Å is ca. 0.4 Å shorter than the sum of the van der Waals radii<sup>13</sup> of oxygen (1.4 Å) and chlorine (1.8 Å) atoms and within the range typical of O-H···Cl hydrogen bonds.<sup>15</sup>

The Rhenium-Phosphine Bonding. - The Re-P (trans to P) bond lengths in (I) and (II), respectively 2.511(1) Å and 2.49(2) Å (mean), are in good agreement. They are comparable to corresponding distances in related complexes: 2.462(3) Å (mean) in (III);<sup>1</sup> and 2.459(3) Å (mean), 2.470(1) Å, and 2.484(5) Å (mean), in the rhenium-imino complexes  $[\text{ReCl}_3(\text{L})(\text{PEt}_2\text{Ph})_2]$  (L =  $\text{NC}_6\text{H}_4\text{COCH}_3$  and  $\text{NC}_6\text{H}_4\text{OMe}$ )<sup>16</sup> and  $[\text{ReCl}_3(\text{NCH}_3)-(\text{PEtPh}_2)_2]$ .<sup>17</sup>

The Rhenium-Chloride Bonding. - Re-Cl (trans to Cl) distances in the literature cover a wide range, being dependent on, inter alia, the metal oxidation state and ligand-ligand interactions. The bond length observed in (I), 2.350(2) Å, is within the above range and, in particular, is very similar to the values found in the related complexes [ReCl<sub>3</sub>(MeCN)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (2.35(1) and 2.36(1) Å),<sup>18</sup> [ReCl<sub>3</sub>(PMe<sub>2</sub>Ph)<sub>3</sub>] (2.353(6) Å),<sup>19</sup> and in the anion [ReCl<sub>4</sub>(NO)(py)]<sup>-</sup> (2.353 - 2.379(2) Å).<sup>20</sup> The Re-Cl (trans to NO) distances in (II) and (III), respectively 2.40(1) and 2.436(3) Å, are also in good agreement. However, the corresponding dimension for (I) [2.311(4) Å] is ca. 0.1 Å shorter than these values. This contraction may arise from systematic error: Ibers has reported systematic variations of bond lengths in complexes which display an analogous halogen/carbonyl disorder.<sup>21</sup>

The Re-Cl (trans to MeOH) bonded distance in (II) is 2.41(1) Å, which is comparable to the Re-Cl (trans to NO) bond lengths in (II) and (III), indicating that the trans-influences of nitrosyl and methanol ligands are similar.

The Rhenium-Nitrosyl Bonding. - The Re-N-O interbond angles in the complexes (I) - (III) [178(2)<sup>o</sup>, (I); 179(4)<sup>o</sup>, (II); and 179(1)<sup>o</sup>, (III)] do not differ significantly from 180<sup>o</sup>. Hence, the nitrosyl ligands may be described formally as NO<sup>+</sup> 3-electron donors. Moreover, the Re-N and N-O bond lengths [1.79(2), 1.21(2) Å; 1.60(4), 1.20(5) Å; and 1.775(10), 1.182(14) Å, respectively in (I), (II) and (III)] are similar and in the range expected for NO<sup>+</sup> derivatives of third-row transition metals.<sup>22</sup> In particular, they are in fair agreement with corresponding values found in the anions [ReCl<sub>4</sub>(NO)(py)]<sup>-</sup>



[1.749(6), 1.171(9) Å]<sup>20</sup> and [ReBr<sub>4</sub>(NO)(EtOH)]<sup>-</sup> [1.723(15), 1.19(2) Å].<sup>23</sup>

The Rhenium-Methanol Interaction. - A methanol molecule is co-ordinated to the metal atom in (II) with a Re-O distance of 1.88(3) Å.<sup>0</sup>

Structural data for ligating alcohol molecules are scarce. However, the above bond length is indicative of a fairly strong metal-oxygen σ-bond. It may be compared with the sum of the covalent radii<sup>24</sup> of the metal and oxygen atoms (ca. 1.95 Å), with Re-O(sp<sup>3</sup>) distances in the derivatives [NEt<sub>4</sub>][ReBr<sub>4</sub>(NO)(EtOH)] and [ReO(H<sub>2</sub>O)Cl<sub>2</sub>tu<sub>2</sub>]Cl (2.161(5) and 2.23(1) Å, respectively),<sup>23, 25</sup> and with Re = O double bond distances (ca. 1.80 Å).<sup>26</sup> Furthermore, the O(sp<sup>3</sup>)-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) O(1)...C(3) bonded distance [1.40(5) Å] appears normal,<sup>26</sup> and the M-O(H)-C(sp<sup>3</sup>) angle of 124(3)<sup>0</sup> is comparable to those observed in the anion [ReBr<sub>4</sub>(NO)-(EtOH)]<sup>-</sup> [132.1(13)<sup>0</sup>]<sup>23</sup> and in a uranium derivative [121.9(11)<sup>0</sup>].<sup>27</sup>

The Phosphine Ligands. - The geometry of each phosphine ligand is normal.<sup>28</sup> Thus the Re-P-C and C-P-C interbond angles display the expected deviations from a regular tetrahedral configuration. Moreover, the P-C(Ph), P-C(Me), and C(Ph)-C(Ph) bond lengths are in the ranges expected. Thus, the mean P-C(Ph) distances are 1.812(4) Å<sup>0</sup> and 1.82(3) Å<sup>0</sup>, respectively, in (I) and (II); the corresponding P-C(Me) bond lengths are 1.822(6) Å<sup>0</sup> and 1.84(3) Å<sup>0</sup> (mean), respectively. These values are similar to those found in other monotertiary phosphine derivatives of third-row transition metal ions.<sup>29</sup> Furthermore, the mean C(Ph)-C(Ph) distances in (I) and (II) are, respectively, 1.39(1) and 1.38(1) Å<sup>0</sup> which agree well with the spectroscopic value for benzene.<sup>26</sup> The C-C-C interbond angles are close to 120<sup>0</sup>, as expected, and the phenyl rings are planar within experimental error.

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TABLE 5.1.

(a) Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and vibrational parameters  
in  $[\text{ReCl}_3(\text{NO})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$ , (I)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
Re	0	0	0	*
N**	340(17)	2085(25)	1712(23)	63(3)
O**	624(14)	3503(20)	2878(19)	66(3)
Cl(1)**	504(3)	2713(5)	2196(4)	38.7(5)
Cl(2)	1524(2)	-320(2)	1700(2)	*
P	2325(1)	1434(1)	-991(1)	*
C(1)	3963(7)	2807(8)	741(8)	46(1)
C(11)	2232(6)	2894(6)	-1709(6)	36(1)
C(12)	1835(7)	4209(9)	-632(9)	49(1)
C(13)	1785(8)	5385(10)	-1121(10)	56(1)
C(14)	2105(8)	5238(10)	-2681(10)	55(1)
C(15)	2513(8)	3952(10)	-3751(10)	57(1)
C(16)	2556(7)	2773(8)	-3274(8)	48(1)
C(21)	2856(5)	-71(6)	-2711(6)	35(1)
C(22)	1835(6)	-1198(8)	-4262(8)	44(1)
C(23)	2192(8)	-2366(9)	-5614(9)	52(1)
C(24)	3564(8)	-2450(9)	-5436(9)	54(1)
C(25)	4571(8)	-1359(9)	-3900(9)	52(1)
C(26)	4228(7)	-161(8)	-2537(8)	44(1)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of the form  $\exp [-2\pi^2 \sum_{i,j} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* h_i h_j]$ . The final values of the  $U_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^4$ ) are:

TABLE 5.1 (Cont'd)

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{23}$
Re	315(1)	275(1)	268(1)	125(1)	38(1)	133(1)
Cl(2)	455(6)	486(7)	500(7)	180(5)	-29(5)	272(6)
P	283(5)	297(5)	303(5)	106(4)	48(4)	136(4)

\*\* Site occupancies of these atoms are 0.5.

TABLE 5.1 (Cont'd)

(b) Calculated fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and assumed isotropic vibrational parameters for hydrogen atoms; each hydrogen atom is numbered according to the carbon atom to which it is attached.

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^3 \text{ \AA}^2$
H(12)	159	432	52	60
H(13)	150	633	-33	67
H(14)	208	609	-303	66
H(15)	278	389	-488	68
H(16)	286	184	-408	58
H(22)	81	-115	-439	54
H(23)	145	-319	-674	62
H(24)	381	-330	-642	65
H(25)	557	-142	-378	64
H(26)	497	65	-142	54

TABLE 5.2.

(a) Fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and vibrational parameters  
 in  $[\text{ReCl}_2(\text{NO})(\text{MeOH})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$ , (II)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^2 \text{ \AA}^2$
Re	115.2(1)	182.4(1)	209.2(2)	*
P(1)	36.1(6)	288.5(8)	22.5(14)	*
P(2)	211.7(5)	101.9(8)	396.3(13)	*
Cl(1)	196.2(5)	233.5(8)	121.7(11)	*
Cl(2)	145.9(6)	299.3(8)	388.7(13)	*
N	95(2)	106(3)	86(5)	10(1)
O(1)	64(1)	153(2)	314(3)	6(1)
O(2)	80(1)	50(2)	-7(4)	9(1)
C(1)	73(2)	398(3)	34(5)	8(2)
C(2)	287(2)	168(3)	494(5)	8(1)
C(3)	29(2)	74(3)	293(5)	9(2)
C(11)	14(2)	252(3)	-163(5)	7(1)
C(12)	46(2)	275(3)	-254(6)	11(2)
C(13)	26(3)	243(4)	-398(7)	12(2)
C(14)	-27(3)	189(4)	-456(5)	11(2)
C(15)	-62(2)	164(3)	-378(5)	9(2)
C(16)	-38(2)	201(3)	-228(5)	9(2)
C(21)	-45(2)	320(3)	34(5)	7(1)
C(22)	-54(2)	287(3)	158(5)	10(2)
C(23)	-119(3)	310(4)	149(6)	13(2)
C(24)	-167(2)	352(3)	31(6)	10(2)
C(25)	-152(2)	382(3)	-76(5)	10(2)
C(26)	-90(3)	363(3)	-88(6)	11(2)
C(31)	199(2)	57(3)	548(4)	5(1)

TABLE 5.2 (Cont'd)

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^2 \text{ \AA}^2$
C(32)	167(2)	103(3)	615(5)	6(1)
C(33)	156(2)	76(3)	740(5)	8(1)
C(34)	183(2)	-6(3)	796(4)	7(1)
C(35)	215(2)	-56(3)	739(6)	10(2)
C(36)	224(2)	-30(3)	620(5)	7(1)
C(41)	236(2)	8(3)	312(4)	6(1)
C(42)	297(2)	9(3)	300(5)	9(2)
C(43)	309(2)	-64(4)	229(5)	10(2)
C(44)	263(3)	-127(3)	168(5)	11(2)
C(45)	206(2)	-130(3)	188(5)	8(2)
C(46)	191(2)	-58(3)	246(5)	9(2)

\* These atoms were assigned anisotropic temperature factors of

the form  $\exp \left[ -2\pi^2 \sum_{i,j} U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* h_i h_j \right]$ . The final values of the  $U_{ij}$  parameters ( $\times 10^2$ ) are:

Atom	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{13}$	$U_{23}$
Re	4.6(1)	6.0(1)	5.9(1)	-0.4(2)	2.5(1)	-0.5(2)
P(1)	6(1)	8(1)	8(1)	1(1)	3(1)	0(1)
P(2)	5(1)	7(1)	7(1)	-1(1)	3(1)	-1(1)
Cl(1)	5(1)	11(1)	6(1)	0(1)	3(1)	1(1)
Cl(2)	8(1)	8(1)	8(1)	-2(1)	3(1)	-1(1)



TABLE 5.2 (Cont'd)

(b) Calculated fractional co-ordinates ( $\times 10^3$ ) and assumed isotropic vibrational parameters for hydrogen atoms; each hydrogen atom is numbered according to the carbon atom to which it is attached.

Atom	x	y	z	$U \times 10^2 \text{ \AA}^2$
H(12)	86	321	-207	12
H(13)	54	257	-456	13
H(14)	-42	170	-569	12
H(15)	-103	122	-424	10
H(16)	-67	185	-169	10
H(22)	-18	248	244	11
H(23)	-129	294	241	13
H(24)	-215	359	26	10
H(25)	-187	424	-158	10
H(26)	-80	380	-183	12
H(32)	150	165	571	7
H(33)	129	112	784	9
H(34)	178	-28	891	8
H(35)	232	-116	790	10
H(36)	250	-71	578	9
H(42)	332	59	343	10
H(43)	355	-67	221	11
H(44)	273	-175	105	11
H(45)	177	-187	160	9
H(46)	142	-52	234	10

TABLE 5.3

Selected interatomic distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) in (I)

(a) Bond lengths

Re-Cl(1)	2.311(4)	C(11)-C(12)	1.40(1)
Re-Cl(2)	2.350(2)	C(12)-C(13)	1.40(2)
Re-P	2.511(1)	C(13)-C(14)	1.37(1)
Re-N	1.79(2)	C(14)-C(15)	1.38(1)
		C(15)-C(16)	1.39(1)
N-O	1.21(2)	C(16)-C(11)	1.38(1)
		C(21)-C(22)	1.40(1)
P-C(11)	1.819(8)	C(22)-C(23)	1.38(1)
P-C(21)	1.809(5)	C(23)-C(24)	1.39(1)
Mean	1.812(4)	C(24)-C(25)	1.38(1)
P-C(1)	1.822(6)	C(25)-C(26)	1.39(1)
		C(26)-C(21)	1.39(1)
		Mean	1.39(1)

TABLE 5.3 (Cont'd)

(b) Interbond angles

Cl(1)-Re-Cl(2)	89.9(1)	C(11)-P-C(21)	105.9(3)
Cl(1)-Re-P	87.0(1)		
Cl(2)-Re-N	90.4(8)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	120.6(7)
Cl(2)-Re-P	89.3(1)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	120.2(8)
N-Re-P	88.4(6)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.8(10)
N-Re-Cl(1)	178.5(5)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	120.3(8)
		C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	120.8(7)
Re-N-O	178(2)	C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	118.4(7)
		C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	120.5(7)
Re-P-C(11)	115.8(2)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	120.2(6)
Re-P-C(21)	113.5(2)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	119.7(7)
Mean	115(1)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	120.4(8)
Re-P-C(1)	111.0(2)	C(25)-C(26)-C(21)	120.0(5)
		C(26)-C(21)-C(22)	119.1(5)
C(1)-P-C(11)	103.1(3)	Mean	119.9(2)
C(1)-P-C(21)	106.6(3)		
Mean	105(2)		

TABLE 5.3 (Cont'd)

(c) Intramolecular non-bonded distances\*\*

PMePh <sub>2</sub>			
C(1)···C(12)	3.39	C(16)···C(21)	3.12
C(1)···C(26)	3.13	C(16)···C(22)	3.28
C(11)···C(22)	3.41		

Cl···PMePh <sub>2</sub>			
Cl(1)···C(1)	3.56	Cl(2)···C(1)	3.45
Cl(1)···C(12)	3.42	Cl(2)···C(11*)	3.51
Cl(1)···C(21*)	3.42	Cl(2)···C(12*)	3.59
Cl(1)···C(22*)	3.20		

NO···PMePh <sub>2</sub>			
N···C(1)	3.48	N···C(22*)	3.23
N···C(21*)	3.29	O···C(22*)	3.20

\*\* Co-ordinates of the starred atoms are related to those of the corresponding unstarred ones by the transformation ( $\bar{x}$ ,  $\bar{y}$ ,  $\bar{z}$ ).

TABLE 5.3 (Cont'd)

(d) Intermolecular non-bonded distances

O...C(23 <sup>I</sup> )*	3.23	C(1)...C(14 <sup>III</sup> )	3.60
Cl(1)...C(15 <sup>II</sup> )	3.61	C(1)...C(15 <sup>III</sup> )	3.64
C(1)...C(13 <sup>III</sup> )	3.76		

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the following co-ordinate transformations:

I x, 1+y, 1+z

III 1-x, 1-y, -z

II x, y, 1+z

TABLE 5.4

Selected interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) in (II)

(a) Bond lengths

Re-P(1)	2.51(1)	C(14)-C(15)	1.37(9)
Re-P(2)	2.47(1)	C(15)-C(16)	1.45(7)
Mean	2.49(2)	C(16)-C(11)	1.30(6)
Re-Cl(1)	2.41(1)	C(21)-C(22)	1.42(8)
Re-Cl(2)	2.40(1)	C(22)-C(23)	1.44(9)
Re-N	1.60(4)	C(23)-C(24)	1.35(7)
Re-O(1)	1.88(3)	C(24)-C(25)	1.32(9)
		C(25)-C(26)	1.45(9)
O(1)-C(3)	1.40(5)	C(26)-C(21)	1.35(6)
N-O(2)	1.20(5)	C(31)-C(32)	1.34(7)
		C(32)-C(33)	1.41(7)
P(1)-C(1)	1.85(5)	C(33)-C(34)	1.41(6)
P(2)-C(2)	1.82(4)	C(34)-C(35)	1.30(8)
Mean	1.84(3)	C(35)-C(36)	1.32(8)
P(1)-C(11)	1.76(5)	C(36)-C(31)	1.50(6)
P(1)-C(21)	1.89(5)	C(41)-C(42)	1.40(8)
P(2)-C(31)	1.77(5)	C(42)-C(43)	1.39(8)
P(2)-C(41)	1.84(5)	C(43)-C(44)	1.35(7)
Mean	1.82(3)	C(44)-C(45)	1.35(9)
		C(45)-C(46)	1.34(7)
C(11)-C(12)	1.40(9)	C(46)-C(41)	1.37(6)
C(12)-C(13)	1.38(8)	Mean	1.38(1)
C(13)-C(14)	1.34(8)		

TABLE 5.4 (Cont'd)

(b) Interbond angles

Cl(1)-Re-Cl(2)	90.0(4)	C(1)-P(1)-C(11)	106(2)
Cl(1)-Re-N	88(2)	C(1)-P(1)-C(21)	99(2)
Cl(1)-Re-P(1)	85.2(4)	C(2)-P(2)-C(31)	102(2)-
Cl(1)-Re-P(2)	84.0(4)	C(2)-P(2)-C(41)	107(2)
Cl(2)-Re-O(1)	80.0(8)	Mean	104(2)
Cl(2)-Re-P(1)	86.7(4)	C(11)-P(1)-C(21)	107(2)
Cl(2)-Re-P(2)	86.8(4)	C(31)-P(2)-C(41)	105(2)
N-Re-O(1)	102(2)	Mean	106(1)
N-Re-P(1)	92(1)		
N-Re-P(2)	94(1)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	123(5)
O(1)-Re-P(1)	99.6(7)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	120(6)
O(1)-Re-P(2)	89.8(7)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	122(5)
Cl(1)-Re-O(1)	168.6(6)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	114(4)
Cl(2)-Re-N	178(2)	C(15)-C(16)-C(11)	127(5)
P(1)-Re-P(2)	167.4(5)	C(16)-C(11)-C(12)	114(4)
		C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	112(4)
Re-N-O(2)	179(4)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	124(6)
Re-O(1)-C(3)	124(3)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	119(6)
		C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	124(4)
Re-P(1)-C(1)	113(1)	C(25)-C(26)-C(21)	113(5)
Re-P(2)-C(2)	114(1)	C(26)-C(21)-C(22)	127(5)
Mean	114(1)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	126(4)
Re-P(1)-C(11)	110(1)	C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	114(4)
Re-P(1)-C(21)	120(2)	C(33)-C(34)-C(35)	125(5)
Re-P(2)-C(31)	115(1)	C(34)-C(35)-C(36)	121(5)
Re-P(2)-C(41)	112(1)	C(35)-C(36)-C(31)	121(5)
Mean	113(2)	C(36)-C(31)-C(32)	114(4)

TABLE 5.4 (Cont'd)

C(41)-C(42)-C(43)	116(4)	C(44)-C(45)-C(46)	116(5)
C(42)-C(43)-C(44)	122(5)	C(45)-C(46)-C(41)	124(5)
C(43)-C(44)-C(45)	122(5)	C(46)-C(41)-C(42)	119(4)
Mean	119(1)		



TABLE 5.4 (Cont'd)

(c) Intramolecular non-bonded distances

		PMePh <sub>2</sub>	
C(1)···C(12)	3.24	C(16)···C(21)	3.22
C(1)···C(26)	3.29	C(16)···C(26)	3.28
C(2)···C(32)	3.46	C(31)···C(46)	3.39
C(2)···C(36)	3.76	C(36)···C(41)	3.21
C(2)···C(42)	3.16	C(36)···C(46)	3.46
C(11)···C(26)	3.18		
		Cl···PMePh <sub>2</sub>	
Cl(1)···C(1)	3.54	Cl(2)···C(1)	3.50
Cl(1)···C(2)	3.48	Cl(2)···C(2)	3.46
		NO···PMePh <sub>2</sub>	
N···C(11)	3.23	N···C(46)	3.23
N···C(41)	3.30	O(2)···C(46)	3.12
		MeOH···PMePh <sub>2</sub>	
C(3)···C(22)	3.70	O(1)···C(22)	3.16
C(3)···C(31)	3.51	O(1)···C(31)	3.23
C(3)···C(32)	3.35	O(1)···C(32)	2.95
C(3)···P(2)	3.74		
		MeOH···NO	
C(3)···N	3.02		
		MeOH···Cl	
O(1)···Cl(2)	2.78		

TABLE 5.4 (Cont'd)

(d) Intermolecular non-bonded distances

C(1)···C(25 <sup>I</sup> )*	3.72	O(2)···C(3 <sup>II</sup> )	3.39
C(1)···C(26 <sup>I</sup> )	3.69	C(3)···C(14 <sup>III</sup> )	3.63
C(3)···C(15 <sup>II</sup> )	3.75	C(33)···C(13 <sup>III</sup> )	3.64

\* The Roman numeral superscripts refer to the following co-ordinate transformations:

I -x, 1-y, -z

III x, y, 1 + z

II -x, -y, -z

TABLE 5.5

Equations of least-squares planes of (I) in which x, y, z refer to fractional co-ordinates. Deviations of selected atoms from the plane are given in square brackets.

Plane 1: Re, P, P', C1(2), C1(2')\*

$$-2.424 x + 6.245 y + 3.349 z = 0$$

[Symmetry requires exact coplanarity]

Plane 2: Re, C1(1), C1(2), C1(2'), N

$$6.584 x + 3.146 y - 5.311 z + 0.002 = 0$$

[Re 0.002, C1(1) 0.021, C1(2) 0.002, C1(2') 0.002, N -0.027]

Plane 3: Re, P, P', C1(1), N

$$6.790 x - 6.508 y + 6.514 z + 0.001 = 0$$

[Re 0.001, P 0.001, P' 0.001, C1(1) 0.008, N -0.010]

Plane 4: C(11) - C(16)

$$7.658 x + 1.017 y + 1.550 z - 1.736 = 0$$

[P 0.036, C(11) 0.002, C(12) -0.001, C(13) 0.004, C(14) -0.008,  
C(15) 0.008, C(16) -0.005]

Plane 5: C(21) - (26)

$$1.313 x + 7.770 y - 6.440 z - 2.061 = 0$$

[P -0.004, C(21) 0.004, C(22) -0.007, C(23) 0.003, C(24) 0.004,  
C(25) -0.006, C(26) 0.002]

Angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) between planes:

(1)-(2)	87.5	(2)-(3)	89.3
(1)-(3)	89.9	(4)-(5)	66.3

TABLE 5.5 (Contd)

\* Co-ordinates of the primed atoms are derived from those of the corresponding unprimed ones by the transformation  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ .

TABLE 5.6

Least-squares planes and lines of (II)

Plane 1: Re, P(1), P(2), C1(2), N

$$19.467 x + 5.196 y - 6.547 z - 1.924 = 0$$

$$[\text{Re } -0.103, P(1) 0.131, P(2) 0.132, C1(2) -0.073, N -0.087]$$

Plane 2: Re, P(1), P(2), C1(1)

$$0.005 x + 11.614 y + 5.799 z - 3.429 = 0$$

$$[\text{Re } -0.097, P(1) 0.053, P(2) 0.054, C1(1) -0.010, O(1) 0.169]$$

Plane 3: Re, N, C1(1), C1(2)

$$9.950 x - 8.990 y + 4.074 z - 0.349 = 0$$

$$[\text{Re } 0.010, N -0.006, C1(1) 0.000, C1(2) -0.004, O(1) 0.314]$$

Plane 4: C(11) - (16)

$$-11.039 x + 12.076 y - 1.073 z - 3.072 = 0$$

$$[P(1) -0.010, C(11) -0.013, C(12) 0.006, C(13) 0.004, C(14) -0.007, \\ C(15) -0.001, C(16) 0.012]$$

Plane 5: C(21) - (26)

$$3.720 x + 13.149 y + 3.607 z - 4.154 = 0$$

$$[P(1) -0.145, C(21) 0.015, C(22) -0.012, C(23) 0.022, C(24) -0.036, \\ C(25) 0.038, C(26) -0.027]$$

Plane 6: C(31) - (36)

$$14.793 x + 6.469 y + 2.583 z - 4.722 = 0$$

$$[P(2) 0.093, C(31) 0.000, C(32) 0.004, C(33) -0.005, C(34) 0.003, \\ C(35) 0.002, C(36) -0.003]$$

TABLE 5.6 (Cont'd)

Plane 7: C(41)-(46)

$$1.254 x - 7.348 y + 7.541 z - 2.571 = 0$$

[P(2) -0.066, C(41) 0.016, C(42) 0.004, C(43) 0.007, C(44) -0.037,  
C(45) 0.057, C(46) -0.047]

Line 8: Re, O(1)

$$x = 0.090 + 0.027t, y = 0.168 + 0.016t, z = 0.262 - 0.056t.$$

Angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) between planes/line:

(1)-(2)	87.2	(2)-(8)	81.9
(1)-(3)	89.2	(3)-(8)	84.4
(1)-(8)	78.0	(4)-(5)	65.4
(2)-(3)	89.7	(6)-(7)	68.4




FIGURE 5.2: A view of the  $[\text{ReCl}_3(\text{NO})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$  molecule (I); thermal ellipsoids enclose 50% of probability. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity. The halogen/nitrosyl disorder is not shown.

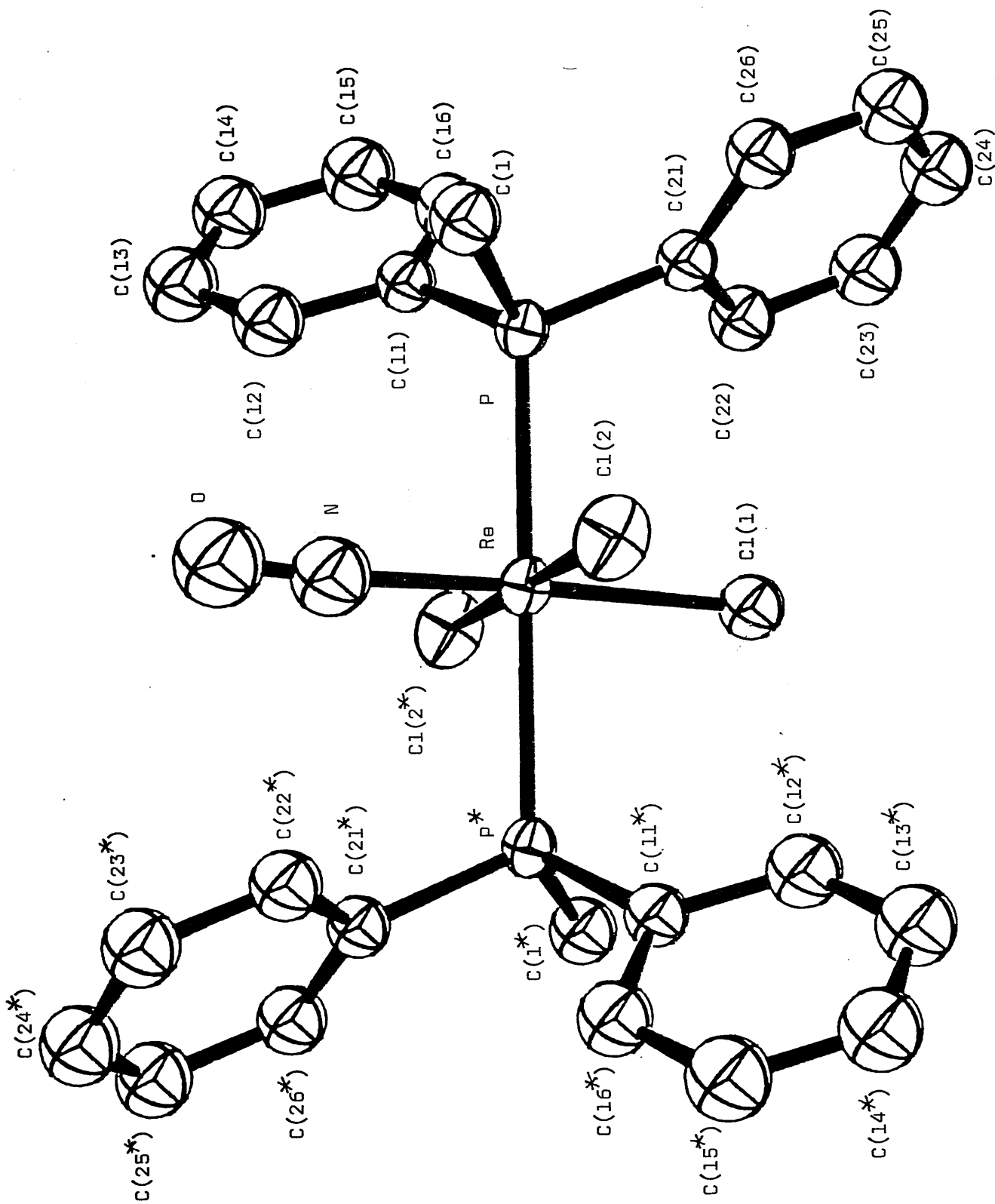




FIGURE 5.3: A view of the  $[\text{ReCl}_2(\text{NO})(\text{MeOH})(\text{PMePh}_2)_2]$  molecule (II); thermal ellipsoids enclose 50% of probability. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

