

**The structure of *cis*-dichloro-bis-(triphenylphosphine)platinum(II); a product in the reaction of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] with tin(II) chloride**

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**Abstract**

The reaction of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] with two equivalents of SnCl<sub>2</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O in acetone solution allows isolation of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] as the acetone solvate, the crystal structure of which has been determined. Crystals of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] · C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O are monoclinic, space group *P*2<sub>1</sub>/*c* (No. 14) with four formula units in a cell of dimensions *a* = 10.288(3), *b* = 24.372(5), *c* = 15.367(3) Å, β = 98.07(2)°. The structure was solved by the heavy-atom method and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculations to a final *R* of 0.033 for 3761 reflections with *I* > 3σ(*I*). The crystal structure contains discrete well-resolved *cis*-PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> molecules with acetone of solvation filling cavities in the crystal structure. The Pt coordination is slightly distorted square-planar with Pt–Cl 2.333(2) and 2.356(2), Pt–P 2.251(2) and 2.265(2) Å, P–Pt–P 97.8(1), and Cl–Pt–Cl 87.1(1)°.

**Introduction**

During the course of our studies on the catalytic activity of platinum(II) halide complexes in the presence of tin(II) chloride (Clark *et al.*, 1980; Anderson *et al.*, 1982a; Clark and Davies, 1981), we observed that acetone solutions of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)], with two equivalents of SnCl<sub>2</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O, affect the catalytic hydroformylation of terminal monoenes under mild

conditions. In order to gain some insight into the chemistry of such platinum(II):tin(II) catalyst systems, the reaction between *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] and two equivalents of SnCl<sub>2</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O was performed in acetone solution and the resulting orange-red solution was allowed to evaporate until well-formed crystals appeared.

Attempts to identify portions of the solid product by solution <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectroscopy were initially frustrated by the insolubility of the compound in a range of organic solvents and, accordingly, a single-crystal X-ray structure determination was performed. The results of the structural determination, described below, were elucidated simultaneously with the collection of <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR data for a dilute solution of the complex in dichloromethane. Both sets of data establish that the complex is *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (**1**), evidently formed by a rearrangement process occurring during the reaction of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] with tin(II) chloride. Consideration of the stoichiometry of the reaction demonstrates that *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] is not the sole product of this rearrangement reaction and, indeed, subsequent studies of the *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] : SnCl<sub>2</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O system by multinuclear magnetic resonance techniques (Anderson *et al.*, 1982b) have shown that the formation of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] is preceded by a set of rearrangement reactions which yields a number of ionic species.

Although *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (**1**) is a well-known compound, frequently employed as a synthetic precursor in coordination chemistry, no structural determination has been reported. Undoubtedly, the insolubility of this complex has been a major factor in preventing the preparation of suitable crystals for study by X-ray diffraction. In the present case, the slow rearrangement reaction that occurs in acetone solution, in which (**1**) is insoluble, affords crystals which proved to be (**1**) · acetone.

## Experimental

*cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] was prepared as described previously (Anderson *et al.*, 1981). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra were obtained for a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/10%CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution at 24.3 MHz on a Brüker WP60 spectrometer operating in the Fourier transform mode. More positive shifts represent deshielding.

### *Reaction of cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] with SnCl<sub>2</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O.

*cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)] (0.1014 g) and SnCl<sub>2</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O (0.0825 g, 2 mol. equiv.) were mixed in acetone (5 ml). The orange-red solution was filtered and allowed to stand. Slow evaporation, alternated with cooling to 278 K, produced the crystalline product (**1**) · acetone in ~15% yield. The crystals were filtered, washed twice with diluted mother liquors, and allowed to air-dry. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR data: δ = 15.5, <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>195</sup>Pt, <sup>31</sup>P) = 3679 Hz.

*Crystal data.*  $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{36}\text{Cl}_2\text{OP}_2\text{Pt}$ ,  $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2] \cdot \text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{O}$ ,  $M_r = 848.7$ , monoclinic,  $a = 10.288(3)$ ,  $b = 24.372(5)$ ,  $c = 15.367(3)$  Å,  $\beta = 98.07(2)^\circ$ ,  $V = 3814.9$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ ,  $D_c = 1.48$  g cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $F(000) = 1792$ , Mo  $K_\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71069$  Å,  $\mu(\text{Mo } K_\alpha) = 41.1$  cm<sup>-1</sup>; space group  $P2_1/c$  from systematic absences ( $h0l$  when  $l = 2n + 1$ ,  $0k0$  when  $k = 2n + 1$ ).

Accurate cell parameters were obtained by a least-squares refinement of the setting angles of 25 reflections (with  $\theta$  in the range  $10\text{--}15^\circ$ ) measured on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer. Intensity data were collected by the  $\omega/2\theta$  method with a small ( $0.48 \times 0.14 \times 0.10$  mm) crystal to a maximum  $\theta$  of  $22^\circ$ , and 5100 unique data were obtained. After corrections for Lorentz and polarization effects and for absorption, the data with  $I > 3\sigma(I)$  (3761) were labeled observed and used in structure solution and refinement. The maximum and minimum values of transmission coefficients in the absorption correction were 0.694 and 0.531, respectively.

### Structure Solution and Refinement

The coordinates of the Pt atom were obtained from an analysis of a three-dimensional Patterson function and the remaining nonhydrogen atoms were located in a heavy-atom-phased Fourier summation which revealed the presence of an acetone of solvation. Refinement was by full-matrix least-squares calculations (Sheldrick, 1976) initially with isotropic and then with anisotropic vibration parameters. A difference map computed at an intermediate stage in the refinement revealed maxima ( $0.6\text{--}1.0$  eÅ<sup>-3</sup>) in positions expected for all the phenyl hydrogen atoms; these were then allowed for in geometrically idealized positions (C-H, 0.95 Å) and included in the final rounds of calculations. Only an overall isotropic thermal parameter was refined for these hydrogens. In the final four refinement cycles a weighting scheme of the form  $\sqrt{\omega} = 1/[\sigma^2 F + pF^2]^{1/2}$  was employed where the final  $p$  parameter was 0.0031 and the phenyl C atoms were constrained to form regular planar hexagons (C-C 1.395 Å). The acetone molecule had large thermal parameters for C and O and, as we could not discern any acetone protons from our difference maps, we did not include these in the final calculations. The scattering factors of Stewart *et al.* (1965) were used for the H atoms and those of Cromer and Mann (1968) for the nonhydrogen atoms; allowance was made for anomalous dispersion (Cromer and Liberman, 1970). Refinement converged with  $R = 0.033$  and  $R_w = [\sum w\Delta^2/\sum wF_o^2]^{1/2} = 0.037$  for the 3761 reflections with  $I > 3\sigma(I)$ . A final difference map was devoid of any significant features. Atomic coordinates and standard deviations are given in Table 1, and temperature factors in Table 2. Figure 1 shows an ORTEP (Johnson, 1971) view of the molecule with our numbering scheme, and Fig. 2 shows a stereoview of the crystal structure; details of molecular geometry are given in Table 3.

**Table 1.** *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] · acetone. Final fractional coordinates (Pt × 10<sup>5</sup>, remainder × 10<sup>4</sup>) with estimated standard deviations in parentheses<sup>a</sup>

| Atom  | x        | y        | z        |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|
| Pt    | 9525(3)  | 65004(1) | 5450(2)  |
| Cl(1) | −432(2)  | 6135(1)  | −647(1)  |
| Cl(2) | −822(2)  | 7060(1)  | 800(1)   |
| P(1)  | 2579(2)  | 5947(1)  | 237(1)   |
| P(2)  | 2063(2)  | 6920(1)  | 1739(1)  |
| O     | 2647(25) | 3816(10) | 4286(14) |
| C(1)  | 966(29)  | 3532(9)  | 3381(20) |
| C(2)  | 2412(38) | 3470(10) | 3784(19) |
| C(3)  | 2980(30) | 3035(12) | 3257(28) |
| C(11) | 3110(4)  | 5500(2)  | 1158(4)  |
| C(12) | 4414(4)  | 5380(2)  | 1482(4)  |
| C(13) | 4705(4)  | 5006(2)  | 2169(4)  |
| C(14) | 3691(4)  | 4752(2)  | 2533(4)  |
| C(15) | 2387(4)  | 4872(2)  | 2209(4)  |
| C(16) | 2096(4)  | 5246(2)  | 1522(4)  |
| C(21) | 3939(5)  | 6311(2)  | −116(4)  |
| C(22) | 3843(5)  | 6877(2)  | −239(4)  |
| C(23) | 4870(5)  | 7165(2)  | −533(4)  |
| C(24) | 5992(5)  | 6887(2)  | −703(4)  |
| C(25) | 6087(5)  | 6320(2)  | −580(4)  |
| C(26) | 5060(5)  | 6032(2)  | −286(4)  |
| C(31) | 2179(6)  | 5476(2)  | −678(3)  |
| C(32) | 2042(6)  | 5691(2)  | −1527(3) |
| C(33) | 1764(6)  | 5344(2)  | −2251(3) |
| C(34) | 1622(6)  | 4782(2)  | −2125(3) |
| C(35) | 1759(6)  | 4566(2)  | −1276(3) |
| C(36) | 2037(6)  | 4914(2)  | −552(3)  |
| C(41) | 1033(6)  | 6938(2)  | 2610(4)  |
| C(42) | 494(6)   | 6445(2)  | 2851(4)  |
| C(43) | −332(6)  | 6441(2)  | 3498(4)  |
| C(44) | −620(6)  | 6930(2)  | 3903(4)  |
| C(45) | −81(6)   | 7423(2)  | 3662(4)  |
| C(46) | 745(6)   | 7427(2)  | 3015(4)  |
| C(51) | 2458(5)  | 7630(2)  | 1546(3)  |
| C(52) | 3330(5)  | 7909(2)  | 2170(3)  |
| C(53) | 3706(5)  | 8444(2)  | 2006(3)  |
| C(54) | 3211(5)  | 8701(2)  | 1217(3)  |
| C(55) | 2340(5)  | 8422(2)  | 593(3)   |
| C(56) | 1963(5)  | 7886(2)  | 757(3)   |
| C(61) | 3627(5)  | 6662(2)  | 2306(4)  |
| C(62) | 3676(5)  | 6365(2)  | 3086(4)  |
| C(63) | 4883(5)  | 6202(2)  | 3540(4)  |
| C(64) | 6042(5)  | 6335(2)  | 3214(4)  |
| C(65) | 5993(5)  | 6632(2)  | 2434(4)  |
| C(66) | 4786(5)  | 6796(2)  | 1980(4)  |
| H(12) | 5104     | 5553     | 1234     |
| H(13) | 5593     | 4925     | 2389     |
| H(14) | 3889     | 4498     | 3001     |
| H(15) | 1697     | 4699     | 2457     |
| H(16) | 1208     | 5328     | 1301     |
| H(22) | 3079     | 7067     | −123     |
| H(23) | 4805     | 7551     | −617     |

Table 1. Continued

| Atom  | x     | y    | z     |
|-------|-------|------|-------|
| H(24) | 6691  | 7083 | -903  |
| H(25) | 6851  | 6130 | -696  |
| H(26) | 5125  | 5646 | -202  |
| H(32) | 2139  | 6075 | -1612 |
| H(33) | 1671  | 5491 | -2829 |
| H(34) | 1433  | 4545 | -2618 |
| H(35) | 1662  | 4183 | -1191 |
| H(36) | 2130  | 4767 | 26    |
| H(42) | 690   | 6113 | 2576  |
| H(43) | -699  | 6105 | 3662  |
| H(44) | -1182 | 6927 | 4343  |
| H(45) | -277  | 7756 | 3938  |
| H(46) | 1112  | 7763 | 2851  |
| H(52) | 3667  | 7734 | 2707  |
| H(53) | 4300  | 8634 | 2431  |
| H(54) | 3468  | 9066 | 1106  |
| H(55) | 2005  | 8597 | 56    |
| H(56) | 1370  | 7696 | 332   |
| H(62) | 2886  | 7275 | 3308  |
| H(63) | 4917  | 6000 | 4071  |
| H(64) | 6865  | 6224 | 3523  |
| H(65) | 6783  | 6723 | 2212  |
| H(66) | 4752  | 6998 | 1449  |

<sup>a</sup>Hydrogen atoms are in their calculated positions.

## Discussion

The analysis establishes unambiguously that the product isolated from the reaction of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(CO)PPh<sub>3</sub>] with SnCl<sub>2</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O is *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (Fig. 1) and shows that the crystal structure (Fig. 2) also contains acetone of solvation. There are no untoward intermolecular contacts, which are all of the van der Waals type; the acetone of solvation (loosely) fills what would have otherwise been voids in the crystal lattice.

The Pt-coordination is essentially planar (Table 3) and slightly distorted from square by the bulk of the phosphine ligands. In Table 4 the dimensions of other *cis*-PtCl<sub>2</sub>(L)<sub>2</sub> systems (L = phosphine ligand) are compared. The Pt-P dimensions reported here for (1) [2.251 and 2.265(2) Å] lie within the range of values given in Table 4. The P-Pt-P angle in (1) [97.8(1)°] is significantly enlarged from 90° to relieve intraphosphine overcrowding, a feature common to many of the complexes listed in Table 4. The effects of intramolecular overcrowding are also evident in the P-Pt-Cl and Pt-P-C angles and in the orientation adopted by the phenyl rings. In the Ph<sub>3</sub>P(1) moiety, phenyl carbon C(31) is close to being fully eclipsed with Cl(1) [torsion angle Cl(1)-Pt-

Table 2. Anisotropic temperature fators<sup>a</sup> ( $\times 10^3$ ) with esd's in parentheses

| Atom  | $U_{11}$ | $U_{22}$ | $U_{33}$ | $U_{23}$ | $U_{13}$ | $U_{12}$ |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Pt    | 25(1)    | 37(1)    | 43(1)    | -2(1)    | 4(1)     | 2(1)     |
| Cl(1) | 32(1)    | 64(1)    | 60(1)    | -16(1)   | -2(1)    | -1(1)    |
| Cl(2) | 36(1)    | 67(1)    | 60(1)    | -9(1)    | 5(1)     | 15(1)    |
| P(1)  | 27(1)    | 37(1)    | 49(1)    | -2(1)    | 6(1)     | 1(1)     |
| P(2)  | 35(1)    | 44(1)    | 47(1)    | -7(1)    | 1(1)     | 2(1)     |
| O     | 318(26)  | 270(24)  | 239(21)  | 10(19)   | -9(17)   | -80(23)  |
| C(1)  | 173(21)  | 180(22)  | 270(31)  | 28(17)   | -33(21)  | -53(16)  |
| C(2)  | 304(37)  | 133(18)  | 181(23)  | -19(15)  | 86(24)   | -139(22) |
| C(3)  | 231(31)  | 203(25)  | 484(64)  | 42(30)   | 196(39)  | 2(21)    |
| C(11) | 38(4)    | 40(4)    | 53(5)    | 1(4)     | 4(4)     | 4(4)     |
| C(12) | 43(5)    | 57(6)    | 67(6)    | 1(4)     | -2(4)    | 3(4)     |
| C(13) | 57(6)    | 67(6)    | 89(7)    | 16(6)    | -12(5)   | 9(5)     |
| C(14) | 96(9)    | 60(6)    | 91(8)    | 29(6)    | -15(7)   | 18(6)    |
| C(15) | 72(7)    | 67(7)    | 93(8)    | 28(6)    | 18(6)    | -1(5)    |
| C(16) | 47(5)    | 53(5)    | 75(6)    | 0(5)     | 6(5)     | -2(4)    |
| C(21) | 36(5)    | 53(5)    | 47(5)    | -1(4)    | 4(4)     | -3(4)    |
| C(22) | 49(5)    | 51(5)    | 66(6)    | -7(4)    | 13(4)    | -4(4)    |
| C(23) | 69(7)    | 69(7)    | 73(7)    | 7(5)     | 12(5)    | -25(6)   |
| C(24) | 44(6)    | 122(10)  | 90(8)    | 31(7)    | 13(5)    | -32(6)   |
| C(25) | 40(6)    | 118(9)   | 95(8)    | 11(7)    | 14(5)    | 9(6)     |
| C(26) | 44(5)    | 65(6)    | 75(6)    | 5(5)     | 23(5)    | 9(4)     |
| C(31) | 31(4)    | 46(5)    | 55(5)    | -7(4)    | 6(4)     | 2(4)     |
| C(32) | 61(6)    | 46(5)    | 65(6)    | -6(4)    | 15(4)    | -6(4)    |
| C(33) | 70(7)    | 104(9)   | 52(6)    | -12(6)   | 12(5)    | -14(5)   |
| C(34) | 64(6)    | 60(6)    | 98(8)    | -41(6)   | 19(6)    | -15(5)   |
| C(35) | 62(6)    | 51(5)    | 90(7)    | -14(5)   | 13(5)    | -13(5)   |
| C(36) | 42(5)    | 50(5)    | 68(6)    | -12(4)   | 6(4)     | -6(4)    |
| C(41) | 38(5)    | 59(5)    | 38(4)    | -10(4)   | -4(4)    | 1(4)     |
| C(42) | 52(6)    | 49(6)    | 71(6)    | -4(4)    | 9(5)     | -4(4)    |
| C(43) | 61(6)    | 79(7)    | 60(6)    | -13(5)   | 22(5)    | -24(5)   |
| C(44) | 53(6)    | 100(8)   | 56(6)    | -25(6)   | 12(5)    | -12(6)   |
| C(45) | 64(6)    | 84(7)    | 60(6)    | -20(5)   | 10(5)    | 10(5)    |
| C(46) | 57(5)    | 55(6)    | 60(6)    | -20(5)   | 6(5)     | 1(4)     |
| C(51) | 44(5)    | 43(5)    | 57(5)    | -7(4)    | 11(4)    | 3(4)     |
| C(52) | 54(5)    | 52(5)    | 76(6)    | -13(5)   | -2(5)    | -7(5)    |
| C(53) | 65(7)    | 65(7)    | 114(10)  | -13(6)   | 8(7)     | -15(5)   |
| C(54) | 78(7)    | 51(6)    | 136(11)  | 13(7)    | 30(8)    | -12(6)   |
| C(55) | 96(9)    | 48(6)    | 85(8)    | 1(5)     | 5(7)     | -1(5)    |
| C(56) | 57(5)    | 51(5)    | 61(6)    | 6(4)     | 4(4)     | 3(4)     |
| C(61) | 41(5)    | 46(5)    | 45(5)    | -8(4)    | 0(4)     | 4(4)     |
| C(62) | 53(6)    | 67(6)    | 71(7)    | 7(5)     | 3(5)     | 2(5)     |
| C(63) | 63(7)    | 88(8)    | 95(8)    | 8(6)     | -18(6)   | 16(6)    |
| C(64) | 50(7)    | 112(9)   | 107(10)  | 14(7)    | 18(6)    | 30(7)    |
| C(65) | 28(5)    | 93(7)    | 104(9)   | -8(6)    | 0(5)     | -6(5)    |
| C(66) | 46(5)    | 55(5)    | 69(6)    | -3(5)    | -3(5)    | 6(4)     |

<sup>a</sup>Anisotropic thermal parameters  $U_{ij}$  ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) in the expression  $\exp[-2\pi^2(U_{11}h^2a^{*2} + U_{22}k^2b^{*2} + U_{33}l^2c^{*2} + 2U_{12}hka^*b^* + 2U_{13}hla^*c^* + 2U_{23}klb^*c^*)]$ .

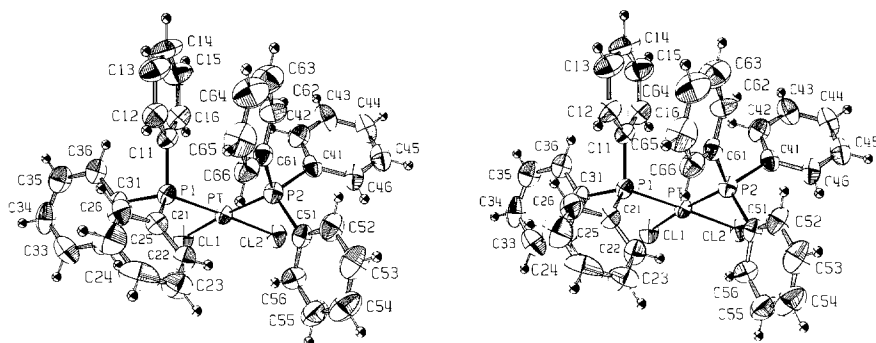


Fig. 1. A stereoview of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] showing the crystallographic numbering scheme.

-P(1)-C(31)  $-2.3(3)^\circ$ ] and the angle P(1)-Pt-Cl(1) [ $89.8(1)^\circ$ ] is significantly larger than the corresponding angle with the other P and Cl atoms [P(2)-Pt-Cl(2)  $85.3(1)^\circ$ ] where *no* phenyl carbon comes close to being eclipsed with Cl(2) [e.g., Cl(2)-Pt-P(2)-C(41)  $46.0(3)^\circ$ ]. As a consequence C(61) is almost eclipsed with P(1) [torsion angle P(1)-Pt-P(2)-C(61)  $-14.0(3)^\circ$ ]. The Cl(1)-Pt-P(1)-C(31) eclipsed conformation also results in the Pt-P(1)-C(31) angle [ $116.5(2)^\circ$ ] being larger than the other Pt-P(1)-C angles [ $110.3$  and  $113.5(2)^\circ$ ]; the P(1)-Pt-P(2)-C(61) orientation causes the Pt-P(2)-C(61) angle to be much enlarged [to  $122.7(2)^\circ$ ] over the other Pt-P(2)-C angles [ $109.1$  and  $113.5(2)^\circ$ ]. All C-P-C angles are much less than tetrahedral [ $101.7$ - $105.3(2)^\circ$ ] except for C(11)-P(1)-C(21) which is enlarged to  $111.7(2)^\circ$  to accommodate the approach of phenyl ring C(61)-C(66). The remaining

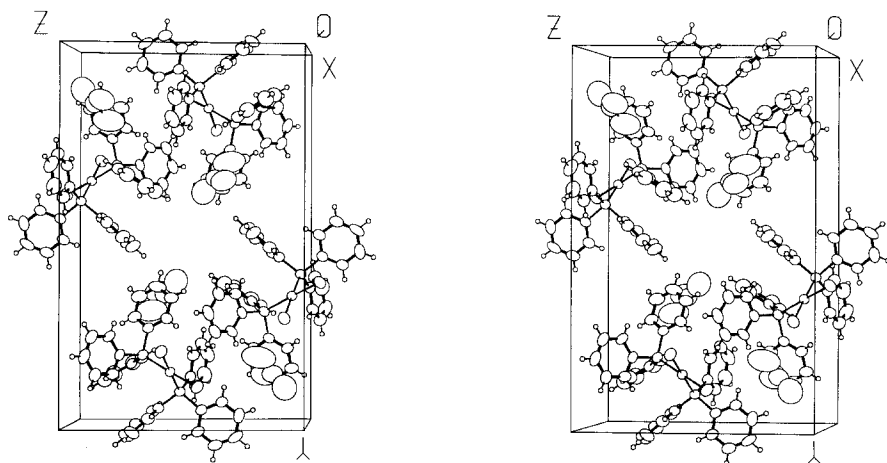


Fig. 2. A stereoview of the contents of a unit cell of *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] · acetone.

**Table 3.** *cis*-[PtCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] · acetone. Interatomic distances (Å) and angles (deg) with esd's in parentheses

| (a) Distances                                                                                 |               |                   |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------|
| Pt–Cl(1)                                                                                      | 2.333(2)      | P(2)–C(41)        | 1.821(5) |
| Pt–Cl(2)                                                                                      | 2.356(2)      | P(2)–C(51)        | 1.810(6) |
| Pt–P(1)                                                                                       | 2.251(2)      | P(2)–C(61)        | 1.830(6) |
| Pt–P(2)                                                                                       | 2.265(2)      | O–C(2)            | 1.15(3)  |
| P(1)–C(11)                                                                                    | 1.808(6)      | C(1)–C(2)         | 1.54(4)  |
| P(1)–C(21)                                                                                    | 1.802(5)      | C(2)–C(3)         | 1.50(4)  |
| P(1)–C(31)                                                                                    | 1.816(5)      |                   |          |
| Aromatic C–C constrained to be 1.395 Å.                                                       |               |                   |          |
| (b) Angles                                                                                    |               |                   |          |
| Cl(1)–Pt–Cl(2)                                                                                | 87.1(1)       | Pt–P(2)–C(61)     | 122.7(2) |
| Cl(1)–Pt–P(1)                                                                                 | 89.8(1)       | C(11)–P(1)–C(21)  | 111.7(2) |
| Cl(1)–Pt–P(2)                                                                                 | 172.4(1)      | C(11)–P(1)–C(31)  | 103.7(2) |
| Cl(2)–Pt–P(1)                                                                                 | 176.9(1)      | C(21)–P(1)–C(31)  | 100.3(3) |
| Cl(2)–Pt–P(2)                                                                                 | 85.3(1)       | C(41)–P(2)–C(51)  | 105.3(2) |
| P(1)–Pt–P(2)                                                                                  | 97.8(1)       | C(41)–P(2)–C(61)  | 102.8(3) |
| Pt–P(1)–C(11)                                                                                 | 110.3(2)      | C(51)–P(2)–C(61)  | 101.7(2) |
| Pt–P(1)–C(21)                                                                                 | 113.5(2)      | O–C(2)–C(1)       | 107(4)   |
| Pt–P(1)–C(31)                                                                                 | 116.5(2)      | O–C(2)–C(3)       | 145(4)   |
| Pt–P(2)–C(41)                                                                                 | 109.1(2)      | C(1)–C(2)–C(3)    | 106(3)   |
| Pt–P(2)–C(51)                                                                                 | 113.5(2)      |                   |          |
| Phenyl C–C–C angles constrained to be 120°.                                                   |               |                   |          |
| (c) Torsion angles                                                                            |               |                   |          |
| P(2)Pt–P(1)C(11)                                                                              | 59.5(3)       | P(1)Pt–P(2)C(51)  | 108.8(3) |
| P(2)Pt–P(1)C(21)                                                                              | –66.8(3)      | P(1)Pt–P(2)C(61)  | –14.0(3) |
| P(2)Pt–P(1)C(31)                                                                              | 177.3(3)      | Cl(1)Pt–P(1)C(31) | –2.3(3)  |
| P(1)Pt–P(2)C(41)                                                                              | –134.1(3)     | Cl(2)Pt–P(2)C(41) | 46.0(3)  |
| (d) Deviations (Å) of atoms from the least-squares plane for Pt, P(1), P(2), Cl(1), and Cl(2) |               |                   |          |
| Atom                                                                                          | deviation (Å) |                   |          |
| Pt                                                                                            | 0.003         |                   |          |
| P(1)                                                                                          | –0.006        |                   |          |
| P(2)                                                                                          | 0.005         |                   |          |
| Cl(1)                                                                                         | 0.005         |                   |          |
| Cl(2)                                                                                         | –0.006        |                   |          |

dimensions [e.g., P–C 1.802–1.830(6) Å] in the phosphine moieties are unexceptional.

The orientation of the individual phenyl rings appear to be dictated by attempts to minimize intramolecular steric effects and there are no unduly short *ortho*-hydrogen ··· Pt interactions [shortest distance is Pt ··· H(22) 2.90 Å].

Del Pra and Zanotti (1979) comment on the difficulty of predicting



**Table 4.** Bond lengths and angles involving Pt, Cl, and P in *cis*-dichloro-bis(phosphine) platinum complexes

| L in <i>cis</i> -PtCl <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub>                                                 | Pt–Cl                | Cl–Pt–Cl | Pt–P                 | P–Pt–P  | Reference                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------------------|---------|-----------------------------------------|
| P Ph <sub>3</sub>                                                                                 | 2.333(2)<br>2.356(2) | 87.1(1)  | 2.251(2)<br>2.265(2) | 97.8(1) | This work                               |
| P Me <sub>3</sub>                                                                                 | 2.368(3)<br>2.377(3) | 87.9(1)  | 2.233(3)<br>2.243(3) | 96.2(1) | Del Pra and<br>Zanotti (1979)           |
| (Bu <sup>t</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> P(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> P(Bu <sup>t</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> | 2.365(4)<br>2.374(3) | 86.3(1)  | 2.262(3)<br>2.265(3) | 89.4(1) | Harada <i>et al.</i><br>(1976)          |
| (Bu <sup>t</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> P(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> P(Bu <sup>t</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> | 2.359(3)<br>2.362(3) | 83.2(1)  | 2.281(3)<br>2.282(3) | 99.1(1) | Harada <i>et al.</i><br>(1979)          |
| Ph <sub>2</sub> PC:CCF <sub>3</sub>                                                               | 2.357(5)<br>2.367(5) | 88.6(1)  | 2.202(5)<br>2.248(4) | 91.7(1) | Carty <i>et al.</i> (1976)              |
| P(C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> )(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>                                  | 2.355(1)<br>2.332(1) | 88       | 2.231(1)<br>2.240(1) | 97      | Manojlovic-Muir<br><i>et al.</i> (1978) |

*trans*-influences in overcrowded phosphine complexes on the basis of Pt–P bond lengths. In (1), the Pt–Cl distances are significantly different [Pt–Cl(1) 2.333(2), Pt–Cl(2) 2.356(2) Å] even though both Cl atoms are *trans* to PPh<sub>3</sub> moieties. It is interesting to note that in (1) the longer Pt–P distance is *trans* to the shorter Pt–Cl distance and *vice-versa*. Thus, for example, Ph<sub>3</sub>P(2) [which suffers the greater overcrowding as measured by the Pt–P(2)–C(61) angle, 122.7(2)°] has the longer Pt–P distance [2.265(2) Å] and is *trans* to Cl(1), which has the shorter Pt–Cl distance [2.333(2) Å]. Notwithstanding the differences in the Pt–P and Pt–Cl bond lengths, it is worthwhile noting that the sums of the *trans* Pt–P and Pt–Cl distances are very similar [4.598(3) and 4.607(3) Å, mean 4.603 Å].

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