

# The Crystal Structures of Some Metallo-Organic Chelate Compounds. I. The Ligand, 5-Chlorosalicylaldoxime

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The structure of 5-chlorosalicylaldoxime has been determined by a two-dimensional projection, and trial-and-error methods. The final parameters were evaluated by differential syntheses of the  $h0l$  data and by least-squares refinement of the  $hk0$  data. The crystals are monoclinic,

$$a = 14.35, b = 3.90, c = 13.69 \text{ \AA}; \beta = 100^\circ 00'.$$

The space group is  $P2_1/c$  with four molecules per unit cell. The molecules are planar except for the  $=\text{N}-\text{OH}$  group which lies below the plane of the benzene ring due to rotation of the oxime group around the single C-C bond. The molecules join in pairs through hydrogen bonds to form dimers, with two hydrogen bonds for each dimer.

## Introduction

Despite the importance of metallo-organic chelate compounds in all areas of chemistry only a few crystal structures of the complex and of the ligand have been determined by X-ray methods. Because information concerning various factors (Merritt, 1953), influencing the formation, stability, and specificity of chelate compounds, can be gained only by the study of a number of complexes and ligands, this investigation of the structure of 5-chlorosalicylaldoxime was undertaken. Structure determinations of nickel(II) 5-chlorosalicylaldoximate, palladium(II) 5-chlorosalicylaldoximate, and palladium(II) salicylaldoximate are underway, so that the effect of metal ions on the ligand can be ascertained.

## Experimental

5-Chlorosalicylaldoxime,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_6\text{O}_2\text{NCl}$ , was prepared by chlorinating salicylaldehyde, and by treating the resulting 5-chlorosalicylaldehyde with hydroxylamine hydrochloride (Welcher, 1947). Well-formed, single crystals were obtained by slow evaporation of a saturated solution of the compound in carbon tetrachloride.

The unit-cell dimensions and space group (Simonsen & Pfluger, 1957) were determined from rotation, Weissenberg, and precession photographs, using copper  $K\alpha$  radiation. The unit cell is monoclinic with

$$a = 14.35, b = 3.90, c = 13.69 \text{ \AA}; \beta = 100^\circ 00'.$$

Characteristic extinctions were noted which are those required by the space group  $P2_1/c$ . The unit cell contains four molecules suggesting, because of the assumed formula, that all atoms are in the general positions. The observed density (by flotation) was

1.510 g.cm.<sup>-3</sup>, and the calculated density with four molecules per unit cell was 1.510 g.cm.<sup>-3</sup>.

The intensities were evaluated by a direct photometric measurement (Hoss, 1957) of multiple-film Weissenberg photographs. The  $h0l$  data were taken from two crystals, both needles having very nearly square cross sections of 0.154 mm. and 0.178 mm., respectively. For crystals of this size no absorption corrections were necessary. The two sets of data were corrected for extinction by the method of Pringle (1954) and averaged. The  $hk0$  data were collected from one crystal. All intensities were corrected by the usual Lorentz and polarization factors, and relative  $|F_o|$  values obtained.

## Determination of atomic positions

The corrected  $h0l$  intensities were used to compute a Patterson projection. Because of the presence of the

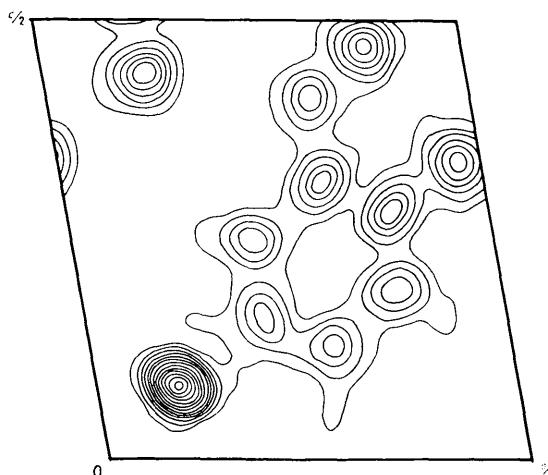


Fig. 1. Fourier projection on (010).  
Contours at arbitrary intervals.

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Table 1. Observed and calculated structure factors

<i>hkl</i>	<i>F<sub>o</sub></i>	<i>F<sub>c</sub></i>									
100*	—	-12.66	008	14.44	14.80	12,0,2	7.08	4.90	13,0,10	7.80	9.31
200	6.63	-7.89	108	10.19	10.60	13,0,2	—	0.28	14,0,10	7.05	7.36
300	21.96	-22.37	208	20.68	19.99	14,0,2	23.60	24.53	—	—	0.99
400	31.92	-30.34	308	8.86	6.37	15,0,2	5.47	5.61	1,0,12	—	26.79
500	45.12	-46.54	408	29.23	31.35	—	—	—	2,0,12	26.10	20.38
600	25.46	-21.26	508	—	3.75	104	13.22	12.07	3,0,12	14.55	3.32
700	2.95	-2.27	608	8.28	7.58	204	32.56	-32.56	4,0,12	—	-0.02
800	31.17	-29.81	708	10.57	-9.91	304	86.07	89.53	5,0,12	—	-6.67
900	4.40	6.44	808	18.71	-16.92	404	2.58	2.92	6,0,12	3.69	—
10,0,0	3.70	2.12	908	7.15	-5.88	504	28.25	30.34	7,0,12	15.05	-19.61
11,0,0	13.89	14.98	10,0,8	12.31	-10.67	604	26.98	27.65	8,0,12	—	-8.10
12,0,0	17.28	17.25	11,0,8	5.90	-4.03	704	10.98	-10.23	9,0,12	4.55	-7.44
13,0,0	6.81	6.50	12,0,8	2.77	-3.12	804	27.10	27.92	10,0,12	—	0.47
14,0,0	4.90	3.68	13,0,8	7.08	3.95	904	26.75	-27.13	11,0,12	—	-1.89
15,0,0	4.96	4.96	14,0,8	11.13	7.00	10,0,4	9.53	-11.79	12,0,12	6.66	4.39
16,0,0	—	-2.15	—	—	—	11,0,4	19.29	-19.11	13,0,12	—	2.59
17,0,0	3.75	2.34	0,0,10	39.25	43.72	12,0,4	3.87	-6.32	14,0,12	8.45	8.41
18,0,0	5.96	-5.60	1,0,10	14.74	15.85	13,0,4	7.67	-6.84	—	—	—
			2,0,10	9.42	9.88	14,0,4	3.52	-2.88	1,0,14	9.66	10.09
002	29.47	-29.34	3,0,10	—	-3.46	15,0,4	—	2.44	2,0,14	—	2.69
102	17.78	20.29	4,0,10	5.29	2.25	16,0,4	5.65	6.49	3,0,14	4.40	0.00
202	25.46	-26.91	5,0,10	22.79	-19.82	17,0,4	9.38	8.68	4,0,14	4.42	7.33
302	23.61	-24.33	6,0,10	9.24	-8.42	18,0,4	3.92	3.93	5,0,14	7.74	9.01
402	25.93	-21.20	7,0,10	—	0.55	—	—	—	6,0,14	—	3.06
502	43.13	-46.20	8,0,10	14.15	-13.22	106	36.97	-39.31	7,0,14	—	2.31
602	—	-2.97	9,0,10	—	-2.74	206	2.10	5.04	9,0,14	7.91	-8.98
702	10.80	-12.61	10,0,10	—	-0.97	306	35.32	-37.96	10,0,14	8.72	-10.62
802	6.63	5.26	11,0,10	8.80	6.87	406	29.57	-31.13	11,0,14	—	-2.16
902	23.78	21.09	12,0,10	8.83	6.31	506	31.47	34.06	12,0,14	5.12	-3.89
10,0,2	10.53	10.41	13,0,10	6.63	2.61	606	29.22	34.58	13,0,14	5.39	2.39
11,0,2	40.77	37.53	—	—	—	706	19.03	23.65	—	—	—
12,0,2	3.61	-1.16	0,0,12	15.10	-14.97	806	18.03	22.33	1,0,16	7.19	-7.43
13,0,2	—	-2.09	1,0,12	17.15	16.73	906	22.40	22.11	2,0,16	—	-0.51
14,0,2	12.50	-10.15	2,0,12	10.57	-8.60	10,0,6	26.88	-25.22	3,0,16	4.12	-3.51
15,0,2	4.20	-2.94	2,0,12	4.71	-3.35	11,0,6	—	-7.57	4,0,16	—	0.55
16,0,2	13.03	-8.99	4,0,12	7.50	-7.64	12,0,6	4.00	-5.54	5,0,16	9.01	7.56
17,0,2	4.28	-2.77	5,0,12	7.69	-7.35	13,0,6	3.67	-5.82	6,0,16	—	3.64
			6,0,12	8.74	-8.49	14,0,6	7.36	-7.47	7,0,16	7.34	8.12
004	56.66	-59.02	7,0,12	3.83	-3.01	15,0,6	—	-2.77	—	—	—
104	3.84	1.28	8,0,12	4.07	3.51	16,0,6	6.03	-2.85	010	—	0.40
204	59.67	-60.39	9,0,12	4.61	2.60	—	—	—	110	59.94	-61.93
304	21.61	-20.81	10,0,12	8.92	6.43	108	30.16	-30.86	210	3.90	-4.67
404	41.86	-40.55	—	—	—	208	3.41	-4.81	310	23.05	-26.78
504	7.61	5.79	0,0,14	6.54	-7.42	308	27.41	-32.33	410	31.92	-33.48
604	35.48	35.81	1,0,14	—	-4.05	408	—	-8.38	510	25.89	-26.92
704	21.36	20.47	2,0,14	9.61	-9.67	508	5.70	-8.15	610	15.61	14.36
804	32.79	31.91	3,0,14	6.33	-7.81	608	14.78	-14.59	710	7.09	6.84
904	29.76	26.45	4,0,14	5.50	-5.03	708	—	2.57	810	12.06	10.25
10,0,4	14.55	-15.57	5,0,14	—	-0.06	808	6.84	9.46	910	9.22	9.23
11,0,4	21.32	-19.78	6,0,14	—	2.42	908	11.28	13.82	10,1,0	15.25	15.27
12,0,4	5.68	6.98	7,0,14	6.51	5.32	10,0,8	5.16	8.85	11,1,0	5.67	6.57
13,0,4	7.50	-6.39	8,0,14	5.46	6.20	11,0,8	38.62	37.97	12,1,0	13.48	11.47
14,0,4	8.15	-6.77	—	—	—	12,0,8	10.64	-7.46	13,1,0	13.83	-13.22
15,0,4	3.46	-3.23	0,0,16	3.06	-3.65	13,0,8	11.61	-12.30	14,1,0	4.26	-3.83
16,0,4	3.54	-2.31	1,0,16	8.27	8.63	14,0,8	4.69	-6.17	15,1,0	6.74	-5.37
			2,0,16	—	-0.51	15,0,8	4.66	-5.98	16,1,0	3.19	-1.84
006	25.95	-27.37	3,0,16	—	2.64	16,0,8	4.58	-4.72	—	—	—
106	23.33	-28.52	4,0,16	5.33	4.73	—	—	—	020	4.61	3.95
206	33.80	-33.79	—	—	—	—	—	—	120	—	-3.20
306	61.83	64.96	102	28.09	-29.62	2,0,10	—	-4.38	220	8.51	-9.58
406	19.61	17.16	202	88.07	90.72	3,0,10	3.89	-6.33	320	2.13	1.17
506	17.83	14.86	302	94.92	97.02	4,0,10	18.35	-21.25	420	15.25	-15.44
606	21.96	18.52	402	15.49	16.32	5,0,10	5.85	-8.29	520	7.45	8.13
706	9.43	7.45	502	24.49	20.69	6,0,10	10.90	-16.44	620	11.70	13.68
806	5.38	-6.80	602	12.45	10.69	7,0,10	7.13	-7.64	720	9.93	10.68
906	9.71	-6.16	702	62.93	-65.03	8,0,10	4.27	2.20	820	—	-1.39
10,0,6	8.90	10.46	802	25.28	-29.35	9,0,10	3.03	-3.71	920	5.68	3.54
11,0,6	20.72	-18.78	902	7.09	-7.01	10,0,10	11.17	12.80	10,2,0	5.68	-4.85
12,0,6	5.54	-5.30	10,0,2	6.09	-9.24	11,0,10	6.58	-0.94	11,2,0	3.55	2.76
13,0,6	12.25	-8.63	11,0,2	12.87	-11.99	12,0,10	3.38	6.55	12,2,0	7.80	-7.31

Table 1 (cont.)

<i>hkl</i>	$ F_o $	$F_c$									
13,2,0	7.45	-7.92	230	4.61	-6.04	930	2.48	3.29	340	2.84	4.43
14,2,0	5.67	6.24	330	—	-0.40	10,3,0	3.55	5.36	440	4.61	5.09
15,2,0	—	-1.03	430	7.80	-9.78				540	3.90	-1.80
16,2,0	—	-0.88	530	5.32	6.15	040	—	-2.95	640	—	3.38
			630	—	-3.29	140	3.55	-5.96	740	—	2.26
030	—	0.40	730	2.48	3.61	240	3.55	-5.51	840	2.84	4.65
130	7.09	5.90	830	4.97	-5.89						

heavy chlorine atom, the (010) projection showed directly the orientation and location of the molecule. Using *x* and *z* coordinates obtained from the Patterson projection, structure factors were calculated. The signs were applied to the observed structure factors and an electron-density projection was computed (Fig. 1). The *x* and *z* parameters were then refined by Booth's (1946) differential synthesis method.

The shortening of the benzene bond lengths in the (010) projection showed that the molecules were tilted out of the (010) plane. A trial structure was obtained by assuming planarity of the molecule; by estimating the angle of tilt from the projection; and from accepted bond lengths and angles. An (001) Patterson projection was then computed, despite the expectation of poor resolution, in the hope that a chlorine-chlorine peak could be recognized, thus establishing the *y* parameter of the chlorine atom and making possible the estimation of all the *y* parameters. However, the Patterson projection could not be interpreted, so *hk0* structure factors were calculated, using *y* parameters estimated from the trial structure. The molecule was then moved up the *b* axis in intervals of 0.05 *y*, and the calculated structure factors compared with the observed values. The best reliability factor, *R*, obtained by this procedure was 0.48. A number of least-squares cycles using the 'best' parameters failed to refine this trial structure appreciably. A trial was then made of a structure in which the axis of tilt was not parallel to the (010) plane. This structure improved rapidly upon least-squares refinement. Because of the small number of reflections available for the *hk0* refinement, the *x* parameters, derived from refinement of the *hol* data, were held constant during all cycles, and only the *y* parameters and individual isotropic temperature parameters allowed to vary. Individual isotropic temperature parameters of the form

$$\exp [-B (\sin \theta / \lambda)^2]$$

were estimated for the (*hol*) structure factors during the differential synthesis refinement by adjusting the values so that after the final cycle,  $\varrho_o = \varrho_c$ . Final values of observed and calculated structure factors are given in Table 1, and the final values of the parameters in Table 2.

The atomic scattering factor for chlorine was taken from Thomas & Umeda (1957) and the factors for carbon, oxygen, and nitrogen were taken from Berghuis *et al.* (1955). The final refinements were

Table 2. Final atomic positional and temperature parameters

	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	<i>B (hol)</i>	<i>B (hk0)</i>
C <sub>1</sub>	0.3146	0.2002	0.3082	4.25	3.59
C <sub>2</sub>	0.2832	0.0482	0.3875	4.25	3.59
C <sub>3</sub>	0.1916	-0.0914	0.3813	4.25	4.78
C <sub>4</sub>	0.1289	-0.0417	0.2893	4.25	5.18
C <sub>5</sub>	0.1613	0.1026	0.2099	4.25	4.30
C <sub>6</sub>	0.2515	0.2407	0.2167	4.25	4.11
C <sub>7</sub>	0.4103	0.3421	0.3113	4.25	3.92
O <sub>1</sub>	0.3428	-0.0012	0.4736	5.00	6.09
O <sub>2</sub>	0.5591	0.4344	0.3774	5.00	4.66
N	0.4713	0.3032	0.3863	5.00	4.06
Cl	0.0819	0.1535	0.0958	4.50	5.37

carried out with an IBM 650 using Shiono's (1957) differential synthesis program modified for two-dimensional projections; and the least-squares LSII program of Senko (1957) as modified by Fitzwater (1958).

### Accuracy

The final reliability factors [ $R = \sum(|F_o| - |F_c|)/\sum|F_o|$ ] were 0.144, including 36 unobserved reflections out of a possible 233, for the *hol* zone; and 0.144, including 12 unobserved reflections out of a possible 72, for the *hk0* zone. Omitting the unobserved reflections,  $R = 0.113$  and 0.110 for the *hol* zone and *hk0* zone, respectively. The standard deviations of the *x* and *z* parameters were estimated by Cruickshank's (1949) method; the standard deviations of the *y* parameters were obtained from the least-squares treatment. There was little difference among the atoms, and  $\sigma(x) = \sigma(y) = \sigma(z)$ . The average values are given in Table 3, and the standard deviations of the bond lengths in Table 4.

Table 3. Average standard deviations of atomic coordinates

$$\sigma(x) = \sigma(y) = \sigma(z)$$

	$\sigma$		$\sigma$
C <sub>1-7</sub>	0.011 Å	N	0.010 Å
O <sub>1,2</sub>	0.009	Cl	0.003

### Discussion

The mean plane through the carbon, chlorine, and phenolic oxygen atoms was calculated by the least-squares method of Schomaker *et al.* (1959), and the equation of the plane is:

$$-4.96919X + 3.30053Y + 4.63442Z - 0.534698 = 0, \\ \lambda^{(1)} = 2.30 \times 10^{-3}.$$

The average deviation of these atoms from the plane is 0.018 Å, so that the molecule is essentially planar except for the nitrogen, which is -0.086 Å out of the plane, and the oxime oxygen, which is -0.130 Å out of the plane. The departure of the oxime group from the plane can be accomplished without distortion by rotation about the C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>7</sub> single bond.

Table 4. Bond lengths and angles

Bond	Length	$\sigma$	Atoms	Angle
C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>2</sub>	1.379 Å	0.017 Å	C <sub>7</sub> -N-O <sub>2</sub>	113.9°
C <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub>	1.412	0.017	C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>7</sub> -N	120.0
C <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	1.428	0.015	C <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>7</sub>	124.7
C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub>	1.375	0.016	C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>1</sub>	120.4
C <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>6</sub>	1.390	0.016	C <sub>6</sub> -C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>2</sub>	119.8
C <sub>6</sub> -C <sub>7</sub>	1.421	0.016	C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub>	123.1
C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>7</sub>	1.474	0.016	C <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	116.0
C <sub>7</sub> -N	1.237	0.016	C <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub>	120.3
N-O <sub>2</sub>	1.385	0.013	C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>6</sub>	123.0
C <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>1</sub>	1.345	0.015	C <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> -C <sub>1</sub>	117.4
C <sub>5</sub> -Cl	1.777	0.012	C <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>5</sub> -Cl	119.2

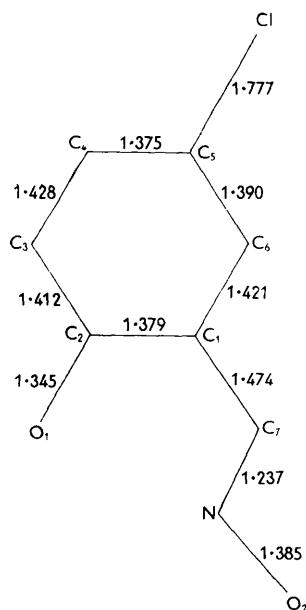


Fig. 2. Bond distances.

The intramolecular bond distances and bond angles are given in Table 4 and in Fig. 2. The bond lengths

are all normal and compare reasonably well with those reported in previous structure determinations, except that the C=N distance appears to be a little short. Some comparisons are made in Table 5. The average value of the benzene carbon-carbon distances is 1.401 Å, and the average angle is 119.9°.

The intermolecular distance of 2.828 Å for the O<sub>1</sub>-O'<sub>2</sub> indicates that molecules join in pairs through hydrogen bonds to form dimers, with two hydrogen bonds for each dimer. The 3.420 Å Cl-Cl distance between two dimers is a normal van der Waals sum.

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Table 5. Comparison of bond lengths

Compound	-C=N-	-N-O-	C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>7</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>5</sub> -Cl
5-Chlorosalicylaldoxime	1.237	1.385	1.474	1.345	1.777
Syn-p-chlorobenzaldoxime <sup>1</sup>	1.31	1.36	1.45	—	1.78
Dimethylglyoxime <sup>2</sup>	1.27	1.38	—	—	—
Acetoxime <sup>3</sup>	1.29	1.36	—	—	—
Salicylic acid <sup>4</sup>	—	—	1.458	1.361	—
Benzoic acid <sup>5</sup>	—	—	1.48	—	—
1:5 Dichloronaphthalene <sup>6</sup>	—	—	—	—	1.76

<sup>1</sup> Jerslev (1950).<sup>2</sup> Merritt & Lanterman (1952).<sup>3</sup> Bierlein & Lingafelter (1951).<sup>4</sup> Cochran (1953).<sup>5</sup> Sim, Robertson & Goodwin (1955).<sup>6</sup> Kitaigorodskij & Kabalkina (1951).