



Syntheses, thermal analyses, crystal structures, FT-IR and Raman spectra of 2D $[\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_3)_2(\mu\text{-ampy})\text{M}'(\mu\text{-CN})_2(\text{CN})_2]_n$ ($\text{M}' = \text{Ni}(\text{II})$, $\text{Pd}(\text{II})$ or $\text{Pt}(\text{II})$) complexes



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ABSTRACT

Three new cyano-bridged heteronuclear polymeric complexes, $[\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_3)_2(\mu\text{-ampy})\text{Ni}(\mu\text{-CN})_2(\text{CN})_2]_n$ (**1**), $[\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_3)_2(\mu\text{-ampy})\text{Pd}(\mu\text{-CN})_2(\text{CN})_2]_n$ (**2**) and $[\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_3)_2(\mu\text{-ampy})\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-CN})_2(\text{CN})_2]_n$ (**3**) (ampy = 4-aminomethylpyridine) have been synthesized and characterized by vibrational spectroscopy (FT-IR and Raman), thermal (TG, DTG and DTA) and elemental analyses. The crystal structures of complexes **1** and **2** have been determined by the X-ray single crystal diffraction technique. Complexes **1** and **2** crystallize in the triclinic system with the space group $P\bar{1}$. Structural studies reveal that the Ni(II) or Pd(II) ions are four coordinate with four cyanide-carbon atoms in a square planar geometry and the Zn(II) ion exhibits a distorted octahedral coordination geometry completed by the six N atoms from two ammine, one ampy and two cyano ligands. The adjacent metal centers are bridged by bis-monodentate cyano ligands to form a one-dimensional linear chain. These chains are linked by ampy ligands into a 2D sheet structure. The 2D units are connected together via intramolecular $\text{C-H}\cdots\text{N}$ and intermolecular $\text{N-H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonding to form 3D supramolecular networks. In addition, there are also interactions between the Ni(II) or Pd(II) ion and the aromatic π -system. Vibrational spectral data indicate the presence of two $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{N})$ bands for the complexes, which can be assigned to the terminal and bridging cyanide ligands. Decomposition reactions take place in the temperature range 40–900 °C in a static air atmosphere.

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1. Introduction

Cyanometallates are used as building blocks for various kinds of 1D-, 2D- and 3D-polymeric networks with transition metal ions, which have useful functional properties such as clathrate hosts [1], spin-crossover phenomena [2–4] and molecular magnet [5]. These types of materials are packed to form crystal structures because of bridging groups and intermolecular interactions [6]. The tetracyanometallate(II) anion can use a different number of cyano groups to connect to other metal atoms and it exists in a wide range of solid state structures. The bridging character of two cyano groups of $[\text{M}'(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ ($\text{M}' = \text{Ni}(\text{II})$, $\text{Pd}(\text{II})$ or $\text{Pt}(\text{II})$) anions has been shown to product several types of structures in the solid state [7]. The well-known Hofmann-type complexes, with the general formula $[\text{ML}_2\text{M}'(\text{CN})_4]$ ($\text{M}(\text{II}) = \text{Mn}$, Fe , Co , Ni , Cu , Zn or Cd ; $\text{M}'(\text{II}) = \text{Ni}$, Pd or Pt), have been shown to form 1D-, 2D- or 3D-polymeric structures by metal–ligand–metal bridge connections [8–

11]. The cyanide anion can behave as a bridging ligand at both ends, with the carbon and nitrogen atoms acting as Lewis bases between two coordination centers, which have generally metal cations acting as Lewis acids. The $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ moiety may adopt a number of catenation modes to build up 1D-, 2D- or 3D-structures [12]. The square planar $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ anion has been extensively used as a building block for the synthesis of expanded cyano bridged structures [13–18], but studies of coordination polymer compounds using $[\text{Pd}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ or $[\text{Pt}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ as building blocks are scarce [6,19,20]. Based on this structure, tetracyanometallate(II) complexes have been developed using N-donor ligands [7,9,16,19,21]. In general, the cyano ligand in cyano-bridged complexes acts as a bridging ligand in creating two-dimensional layers. In the synthesized cyano-bridged title complexes, the ampy ligand acts as a bridging ligand to form the two-dimensional layers. Therefore, the ampy ligand shows a bridging character, which is rare in the literature [22,23].

Non-covalent interactions are very important in biological structures, supramolecular chemistry and molecular recognition. Although cyano bridged complexes have been studied extensively,

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both structurally and spectroscopically, for many years [24,25], Ni(II)··· π or Pd(II)··· π interactions have rarely been reported for this type of complex [21]. The M··· π interactions are probably weak; however, they are very important in stabilizing the polymeric structure of the complexes. Transition-metal-directed self-assembly is also a powerful approach for the construction of different supramolecular architectures with unusual and interesting properties.

We have recently reported the polymeric complexes [Cd(NH₃)(μ -ampy)Ni(μ -CN)₄]_n and [Cd(NH₃)₂(μ -ampy)Pd(μ -CN)₂(CN)₂]_n, which are the first examples of tetracyanonickellate(II) and tetracyanopalladate(II) complexes with 3-aminomethylpyridine or 4-aminomethylpyridine ligands as blocking ligands [22,23]. As an extension of these works, we are reporting the results of our study on the preparation, vibrational spectral and thermal properties of three new cyano-bridged heteronuclear polymeric complexes, [Zn(NH₃)₂(μ -ampy)Ni(μ -CN)₂(CN)₂]_n (**1**), [Zn(NH₃)₂(μ -ampy)Pd(μ -CN)₂(CN)₂]_n (**2**) and [Zn(NH₃)₂(μ -ampy)Pt(μ -CN)₂(CN)₂]_n (**3**). The molecular and crystal structures of the cyano bridged heteronuclear polymeric complexes **1** and **2** have been determined by X-ray single crystal diffraction.

2. Experimental

2.1. Material and instrumentation

Zinc(II) chloride (ZnCl₂), nickel(II) chloride hexahydrate (NiCl₂·6H₂O), palladium(II) chloride (PdCl₂), platinum(II) chloride (PtCl₂), potassium cyanide (KCN) and 4-aminomethylpyridine were purchased from commercial sources and were used without further purification. The FT-IR spectra of the complexes were recorded as KBr pellets in the range 4000–400 cm^{−1} (2 cm^{−1} resolution) on a Perkin Elmer 100 FT-IR spectrometer which was calibrated using polystyrene and CO₂ bands. The Raman spectra of the complexes were recorded in the range 4000–100 cm^{−1} on a Bruker Senterra Dispersive Raman instrument using 785 nm laser excitation. A Perkin Elmer Diamond TG/DTA thermal analyzer was used to record simultaneous TG, DTG and DTA curves in a static air atmosphere at a heating rate of 10 K min^{−1} in the temperature range 40–900 °C using platinum crucibles. Elemental analyses were carried out on a LECO, CHNS-932 analyzer for C, H and N at the Middle East Technical University Central Laboratory.

2.2. Syntheses of the complexes

K₂[M'(CN)₄]·H₂O (M' = Ni(II), Pd(II) or Pt(II)) was prepared by mixing stoichiometric amounts of the metal(II) chloride (1 mmol,

Table 2

Crystallographic data and structure refinement parameters for complexes.

| Complex | 1 | 2 |
|---|---|---|
| Empirical formula | C ₁₀ H ₁₄ N ₈ NiZn | C ₁₀ H ₁₄ N ₈ PdZn |
| Color/shape | purple/block | yellow/block |
| Formula weight | 370.37 | 418.06 |
| T (K) | 293 | 293 |
| Radiation used, graphite monochromator | Mo K α (λ = 0.71073 Å) | |
| Crystal system | P $\bar{1}$ | P $\bar{1}$ |
| Space group | triclinic | triclinic |
| a (Å) | 8.4953 (8) | 8.5445 (12) |
| b (Å) | 8.6323 (11) | 8.7026 (12) |
| c (Å) | 11.1956 (12) | 11.4451 (17) |
| α (°) | 77.359 (10) | 77.009 (12) |
| β (°) | 78.221 (8) | 76.965 (13) |
| γ (°) | 68.144 (10) | 67.398 (14) |
| V (Å ³) | 736.68 (14) | 756.36 (19) |
| Z | 2 | 2 |
| Absorption coefficient (mm ^{−1}) | 2.91 | 2.78 |
| D _{calc} (Mg m ^{−3}) | 1.670 | 1.836 |
| Max. crystal dimen. (mm) | 0.21 × 0.18 × 0.11 | 0.34 × 0.21 × 0.13 |
| θ (max) (°) | 30.5 | 30.5 |
| Reflections measured | 4472 | 4617 |
| Range of h, k, l | −10 < h < 12, −12 < k < 12, −15 < l < 15 | −12 < h < 11, −12 < k < 12, −16 < l < 16 |
| Diffractionmeter/scan | Bruker Kappa APEXII/ φ and ω | |
| No of reflections with I > 2 σ (I) | 2006 | 1413 |
| Corrections applied | Lorentz-polarization | |
| Source of atomic scattering factor | Int. Table for X-ray Cryst. Vol. IV, 1974 [44] | |
| Structure solution | Direct methods | |
| Treatment of hydrogen atoms | Geometric calculation & difference map. | |
| Goodness-of-fit (GOF) on F ² | 0.97 | 1.03 |
| R = F _o − F _c / F _o | 0.0750 | 0.112 |
| R _w | 0.127 | 0.304 |
| (Δ/ρ) max (e Å ^{−3}) | 1.082 | 2.44 |
| (Δ/ρ) min (e Å ^{−3}) | −0.65 | −0.06 |

NiCl₂·6H₂O = 0.237 g, PdCl₂ = 0.177 g or PtCl₂ = 0.265 g) in water (10 mL) with KCN (4 mmol, 0.260 g) also in water (10 mL). To this K₂[M'(CN)₄]·H₂O (M' = Ni(II), Pd(II) or Pt(II)) solution, ZnCl₂ (1.0 mmol, 0.136 g) dissolved in water (10 mL) was added with continuous stirring for approximately 4 h at 50 °C in a temperature-controlled bath. The compounds obtained were filtered and washed with water and dried in air.

The [Zn(NH₃)₂(μ -ampy)M'(μ -CN)₂(CN)₂]_n (M' = Ni(II), Pd(II) or Pt(II)) complexes were prepared by mixing together a 50 mL of water solution of K₂[M'(CN)₄]·H₂O (1 mmol, K₂[Ni(CN)₄]·H₂O = 0.259 g, K₂[Pd(CN)₄]·H₂O = 0.306 g or K₂[Pt(CN)₄]·H₂O = 0.395 g) with ampy (2 mmol, 0.216 g) dissolved in ethanol and ammonia

Table 1

The wavenumbers of the [M'(CN)₄] (M' = Ni(II), Pd(II) or Pt(II)) vibrations in the complexes (cm^{−1}).

| Assignment [32–34] | K ₂ [M'(CN) ₄]·H ₂ O | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|--|--|-----------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | M' = Ni | M' = Pd | M' = Pt | | | |
| A _{1g} , ν (C≡N) | (2160) vs | (2169) vs | (2173) vs | (2186) s, (2166) s (2146) vs | (2201) s, (2185) s (2162) vs | (2206) s, (2196) s (2165) vs |
| B _{1g} , ν (C≡N) | (2137) m | (2159) s | (2153) m | 2159 s, 2138 s, 2122 vs | 2173 s, 2154 s, 2137 s | 2170 s, 2155 s, 2136 s |
| E _u , ν (C≡N) | 2122 vs | 2135 m | 2136 vs | 2082 sh | 2096 sh | 2096 sh |
| E _u , ν (C ¹³ N) | 2084 w | 2097 | 2085 w | 543 w | 508 vw | 506 w |
| E _u , ν (M'–C) | 540 w | 486 w | 504 m | 487 m | 485 m | 484 m |
| A _{2u} , π (M'–CN) | 443 w | – | 428 vw | – | (436) m | (485) m |
| A _{1g} , ν (M'–C) | – | (436) w | (477) w | 425 vs | 414 w | 418 m |
| E _u , δ (M'–CN) | 417 s | 400 m | 407 s | | | |

Abbreviations used: s, strong; m, medium; w, weak; sh, shoulder; br, broad; v, very. The symbols ν , δ and π refer to valence, in-plane and out-of-plane vibrations, respectively. Raman bands are given in parenthesis.

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