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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 150 KMean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.041 wR factor = 0.106 Data-to-parameter ratio = 22.7

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catena-Poly[[dibromozinc(II)]-di-μ-1,4dioxan-κ²O:O']

The title compound, $[ZnBr_2(C_4H_8O_2)]_n$ or $ZnBr_2 \cdot (dioxan)$, has a zigzag chain structure in which the 1,4-dioxan molecules link tetrahedrally coordinated Zn atoms. Each dioxan ring sits on a centre of symmetry. The Zn-Br distances are 2.3110 (8) and 2.3169 (8) Å, and angle Br1-Zn1-Br2 is 124.53 (3)°. The Zn-O distances are 2.054 (4) and 2.043 (3) Å, and angle O-Zn-O is 89.6 (15)°.

Comment

1,4-Dioxan forms crystalline adducts with a very wide range of metal halides, nitrates and perchlorates. Phase diagrams of ternary systems (metal halide–dioxan–water) by Lynch and co-workers (*e.g.* Weicksel & Lynch, 1950; Schott & Lynch, 1966) show that there is competition between water and dioxan at 298 K. Some metals give a hydrate as the only solid product, others give only a dioxan adduct, and a third group form both of these together with ternary compounds.



Structural studies have shown that dioxan may be coordinated directly to a metal or may form hydrogen bonds with the H atoms of coordinated water molecules (*e.g.* Barnes & Weakley, 1976; Barnes, 2004*a*). The chair-shaped dioxan molecules cannot chelate. They almost invariably form 1,4bridges in which each O atom usually coordinates to only one metal atom but may form one or two hydrogen bonds.

 $ZnCl_2 \cdot 2(dioxan)$ (Boardman *et al.*, 1983) has an unusual trigonal pyramidal chain structure which includes a monodentate dioxan. In the present work, we report the structure at 150 K of $ZnBr_2 \cdot (dioxan)$, (I).

Fig. 1 shows that (I) consists of zigzag chains, parallel to *c*, in which dioxan molecules bridge tetrahedrally coordinated zinc atoms. The two independent dioxan molecules lie about the centres of inversion at $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2})$ for O1, C2 and C3, and at $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0)$ for O4, C5 and C6. Selected geometric parameters are given in Table 1. The Zn-Br distances are 2.3110 (8) and 2.3169 (8) Å. These are significantly shorter than those in [ZnBr₂(H₂O)₂]·H₂O.2(1,8-cineol) [2.360 (2) Å, also determined at 120 K (Barnes, 2004*b*)] and the room-temperature structures of K₂ZnBr₄ (2.405 Å; Fábry *et al.*, 1993) and ZnBr₂·2H₂O (2.483 Å; Duhlev *et al.*, 1988).

The sums of covalent radii are Zn-Br = 2.45 Å and Zn-O = 1.97 Å, while the sums of ionic radii give Zn-Br = 2.78 Å and Zn-O = 2.28 Å. These values suggest that the Zn-Br

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Figure 1

The structure of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme and 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. [Symmetry codes: (a) 1 - x, -y, 1 - z; (b) 1 - x, -y, 2 - z.]

interactions in all these compounds are largely covalent. The Zn–O distances in (I) [2.054 (4) and 2.043 (3) Å] are not significantly different from the Zn–OH₂ distances in [ZnBr₂(H₂O)₂]·H₂O.2(1,8-cineol) and ZnBr₂·2H₂O.

In (I), the torsion angles C3a-C2-O1-Zn1 [155.3 (2)°] and C5b-C6-O4-Zn1 [154.2 (2)°] show that the direction of the O-Zn vectors is close to equatorial rather than the equatorial/axial average often found in dioxan complexes of metal salts (Barnes & Weakley, 1976). Each of the fragments Zn1-O1···O1a-Zn1a and Zn1-O4···O4b-Zn1b has a torsion angle of 180° [symmetry codes: (a) 1 - x, -y, 1 - z; (b) 1 - x, -y, 2 - z]. The angle between the planes C2/C2a/ C3/C3a and C5/C5b/C6/C6b is only 25.2 (4)°. Taken together, these factors produce a very compact zigzag chain structure, which minimizes steric hindrance between the dioxan molecules at the Zn atom. This allows the O-Zn-O angle to be only 89.6 (15)° and so provides space for the unusually close approach of the Br atoms to the zinc, and the large Br1-Zn1-Br2 angle of 124.53 (3)°.

Experimental

Crystals of (I) were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution of $ZnBr_2$ in dioxan at room temperature, under anhydrous conditions.

Crystal data

$[ZnBr_2(C_4H_8O_2)]$	$D_x = 2.499 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 313.29$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Cell parameters from 2831
a = 7.1326(2) Å	reflections
b = 12.0376 (4) Å	$\theta = 1.9-27.5^{\circ}$
c = 9.8312 (3) Å	$\mu = 12.48 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 99.4200 \ (14)^{\circ}$	T = 150 (2) K
V = 832.72 (4) Å ³	Block, colourless
Z = 4	$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Nonius KappaCCD area-detector	1885 independent reflections
diffractometer	1606 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
φ and ω cans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.031$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
(SORTAV; Blessing, 1995)	$h = -9 \rightarrow 8$
$T_{\min} = 0.052, T_{\max} = 0.083$	$k = -15 \rightarrow 12$
2831 measured reflections	$l = -12 \rightarrow 12$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0512P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$	+ 3.2775 <i>P</i>]
$vR(F^2) = 0.106$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.10	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
885 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 1.37 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
33 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.96 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
	Extinction coefficient: 0.0142 (10)

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Zn1-O1	2.043 (3)	Zn1-Br1	2.3110 (8)
Zn1-O4	2.054 (4)	Zn1-Br2	2.3169 (8)
O1-Zn1-O4	89.60 (15)	Br1-Zn1-Br2	124.53 (3)
O1-Zn1-Br1	111.75 (11)	C3-O1-Zn1	117.8 (3)
O4-Zn1-Br1	106.06 (10)	C2-O1-Zn1	122.1 (3)
O1-Zn1-Br2	107.24 (10)	C5-O4-Zn1	119.1 (3)
O4-Zn1-Br2	112.16 (11)	C6-O4-Zn1	121.9 (3)

The H atoms were included in calculated positions and treated as riding atoms; C-H = 0.99 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.3U_{eq}$ (parent C atom). The highest peak lies on the Zn1–Br1 vector, 1.11 Å from Zn1.

Data collection: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and *COLLECT* (Hooft, 1998); cell refinement: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; data reduction: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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Data collection

Enraf–Nonius KappaCCD area-detector diffractometer Radiation source: Enraf–Nonius FR591 rotating anode Graphite monochromator Detector resolution: 9.091 pixels mm⁻¹ φ and ω scans to fill Ewald sphere Absorption correction: multi-scan (SORTAV; Blessing, 1995)

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 Least-squares matrix: full $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$ $wR(F^2) = 0.106$ S = 1.101885 reflections 83 parameters 0 restraints Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map F(000) = 592 $D_x = 2.499 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation, \lambda = 0.71074 \text{ Å} Cell parameters from 2831 reflections $\theta = 1.9-27.5^{\circ}$ $\mu = 12.48 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 150 KBlock, colourless $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$

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Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0512P)^2 + 3.2775P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 1.37$ e Å⁻³ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.96$ e Å⁻³ Extinction correction: SHELXL97, Fc*=kFc[1+0.001xFc^2\lambda^3/sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4} Extinction coefficient: 0.0142 (10)

Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted *R*-factor *wR* and goodness of fit *S* are based on F^2 , conventional *R*-factors *R* are based on *F*, with *F* set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating *R*-factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. *R*-factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on *F*, and *R*- factors based on ALL data will be even larger. Hydrogen atoms were placed on calculated positions, riding on the adjacent carbon atom. Isotropic displacement parameters were set at 1.3 times that of the carbon atom.

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}$ */ $U_{\rm eq}$
Zn1	0.34430 (9)	0.17978 (5)	0.73063 (6)	0.0129 (2)
Br1	0.01610 (8)	0.17948 (5)	0.70049 (6)	0.0197 (2)
Br2	0.53024 (8)	0.33850 (4)	0.74508 (6)	0.0195 (2)
O1	0.4446 (5)	0.0740 (3)	0.5968 (4)	0.0151 (8)
C2	0.5349 (8)	0.1139 (4)	0.4840 (5)	0.0157 (11)
H2A	0.6085	0.1822	0.5125	0.020*
H2B	0.4370	0.1322	0.4037	0.020*
C3	0.3348 (8)	-0.0253 (4)	0.5548 (6)	0.0195 (11)
H3A	0.2350	-0.0083	0.4751	0.025*
H3B	0.2721	-0.0519	0.6315	0.025*
O4	0.4332 (5)	0.0709 (3)	0.8889 (4)	0.0162 (8)
C5	0.6330 (8)	0.0636 (5)	0.9438 (6)	0.0201 (12)
H5A	0.6668	0.1205	1.0164	0.026*
H5B	0.7084	0.0781	0.8696	0.026*
C6	0.3207 (8)	0.0493 (5)	0.9969 (5)	0.0176 (11)
H6A	0.1837	0.0536	0.9582	0.023*
H6B	0.3488	0.1061	1.0702	0.023*

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

_	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Zn1	0.0157 (4)	0.0123 (3)	0.0112 (3)	0.0014 (2)	0.0032 (2)	0.0000 (2)
Br1	0.0155 (3)	0.0209 (3)	0.0223 (3)	0.0015 (2)	0.0017 (2)	-0.0004 (2)
Br2	0.0205 (3)	0.0157 (3)	0.0233 (3)	-0.0032 (2)	0.0065 (2)	-0.0037 (2)
O1	0.020 (2)	0.0121 (17)	0.0149 (18)	-0.0021 (15)	0.0093 (16)	-0.0031 (14)
C2	0.027 (3)	0.008 (2)	0.015 (2)	-0.001 (2)	0.010 (2)	0.0021 (19)
C3	0.021 (3)	0.011 (2)	0.028 (3)	-0.006(2)	0.013 (2)	-0.004 (2)
O4	0.0129 (18)	0.023 (2)	0.0129 (17)	0.0026 (15)	0.0031 (14)	0.0043 (15)
C5	0.013 (3)	0.027 (3)	0.021 (3)	-0.002 (2)	0.003 (2)	0.004 (2)
C6	0.018 (3)	0.023 (3)	0.014 (3)	0.004 (2)	0.008 (2)	0.005 (2)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Zn1—O1	2.043 (3)	С3—НЗА	0.9900	-
Zn1—O4	2.054 (4)	С3—Н3В	0.9900	
Zn1—Br1	2.3110 (8)	O4—C5	1.442 (7)	
Zn1—Br2	2.3169 (8)	O4—C6	1.454 (6)	
O1—C3	1.451 (6)	C5—C6 ⁱⁱ	1.495 (8)	
O1—C2	1.452 (6)	С5—Н5А	0.9900	
C2-C3 ⁱ	1.504 (7)	С5—Н5В	0.9900	
C2—H2A	0.9900	C6—H6A	0.9900	
C2—H2B	0.9900	С6—Н6В	0.9900	
O1—Zn1—O4	89.60 (15)	O1—C3—H3B	109.8	
O1—Zn1—Br1	111.75 (11)	C2 ⁱ —C3—H3B	109.8	
O4—Zn1—Br1	106.06 (10)	НЗА—СЗ—НЗВ	108.3	
O1—Zn1—Br2	107.24 (10)	C5—O4—C6	110.2 (4)	
O4—Zn1—Br2	112.16 (11)	C5—O4—Zn1	119.1 (3)	
Br1—Zn1—Br2	124.53 (3)	C6—O4—Zn1	121.9 (3)	
C3—O1—C2	110.0 (4)	O4—C5—C6 ⁱⁱ	110.1 (5)	
C3—O1—Zn1	117.8 (3)	O4—C5—H5A	109.6	
C2	122.1 (3)	C6 ⁱⁱ —C5—H5A	109.6	
O1-C2-C3 ⁱ	109.2 (4)	O4—C5—H5B	109.6	
O1—C2—H2A	109.8	C6 ⁱⁱ —C5—H5B	109.6	
C3 ⁱ —C2—H2A	109.8	H5A—C5—H5B	108.2	
O1—C2—H2B	109.8	O4—C6—C5 ⁱⁱ	109.5 (4)	
C3 ⁱ —C2—H2B	109.8	O4—C6—H6A	109.8	
H2A—C2—H2B	108.3	C5 ⁱⁱ —C6—H6A	109.8	
$01 - C3 - C2^{i}$	109.2 (4)	O4—C6—H6B	109.8	
O1—C3—H3A	109.8	С5 ^{іі} —С6—Н6В	109.8	
C2 ⁱ —C3—H3A	109.8	H6A—C6—H6B	108.2	

Symmetry codes: (i) -*x*+1, -*y*, -*z*+1; (ii) -*x*+1, -*y*, -*z*+2.