

Dichloridobis(isoquinoline- κ N)zinc(II)

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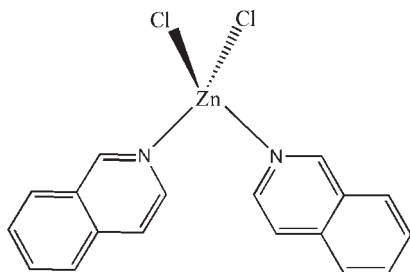
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 294$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007$ Å; R factor = 0.056; wR factor = 0.153; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.3.

In the title compound, $[\text{ZnCl}_2(\text{C}_9\text{H}_7\text{N})_2]$, the Zn^{II} cation is coordinated by two Cl^- anions and two isoquinoline ligands in a distorted ZnCl_2N_2 tetrahedral geometry; the two isoquinoline ring systems are twisted with respect to each other at a dihedral angle of $45.72(8)^\circ$. The parallel isoquinoline ring systems of adjacent molecules are partially overlapped, with the shorter face-to-face distance of $3.438(19)$ Å indicating the existence of weak π - π stacking in the crystal structure.

Related literature

For general background to π - π stacking, see: Deisenhofer & Michel (1989); Su & Xu (2004); Xu *et al.* (2007). For π - π stacking between isoquinoline ring systems in a Co^{II} complex, see: Li *et al.* (2010).



Experimental

Crystal data

$[\text{ZnCl}_2(\text{C}_9\text{H}_7\text{N})_2]$

$M_r = 394.58$

Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$

$a = 7.8956(15)$ Å

$b = 13.363(2)$ Å

$c = 15.677(2)$ Å

$\beta = 90.220(8)^\circ$
 $V = 1654.0(5)$ Å³
 $Z = 4$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

$\mu = 1.81$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 294$ K
 $0.40 \times 0.32 \times 0.30$ mm

Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID IP
 diffractometer
 Absorption correction: multi-scan
 (*ABSCOR*; Higashi, 1995)
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.788$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.862$

11270 measured reflections
 2975 independent reflections
 1933 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.032$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.056$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.153$
 $S = 0.95$
 2975 reflections

208 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.33$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.39$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

Zn—N1	2.062 (4)	Zn—Cl1	2.2235 (13)
Zn—N2	2.052 (4)	Zn—Cl2	2.2262 (13)

Data collection: *PROCESS-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *PROCESS-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MS, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1993); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2009).

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: HB5517).

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Comment

The π - π stacking between aromatic rings is an important non-covalent interaction and correlated with the electron transfer process in some biological systems (Deisenhofer & Michel, 1989). As part of our ongoing investigation on the nature of π - π stacking (Su & Xu, 2004; Xu *et al.*, 2007), the title complex incorporating isoquinoline ligand has recently been prepared in the laboratory and its crystal structure is reported here.

In the title compound, the Zn cation is coordinated by two Cl⁻ anions and two isoquinoline ligands in a distorted ZnCl₂N₂ tetrahedral geometry (Fig. 1). The two isoquinoline ring systems are twisted to each other at a dihedral angle of 45.72 (8)°. The parallel N2-isoquinoline and N2¹-isoquinoline ring systems [symmetry code: (i) 2 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z] of adjacent molecules are partially overlapped, the shorter face-to-face distance of 3.438 (19) Å indicates the existence of weak π - π stacking in the crystal structure (Fig. 2), similar to that found in a polymeric Co complex with isoquinoline ligands (Li *et al.* 2010). No hydrogen bonding is present in the crystal structure.

Experimental

Isoquinoline (0.23 ml, 2 mmol) and ZnCl₂ (0.14 g, 1 mmol) were dissolved in an absolute ethanol (10 ml). The solution was refluxed for 12 h. After cooling to room temperature, the solution was filtered and colourless prisms of (I) were obtained from the filtrate after 2 d.

Refinement

H atoms were placed in calculated positions with C—H = 0.93 (aromatic) and refined in riding mode with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$. An ADDSYM-XCT check (Spek, 2009) shows no additional symmetry for the structure. An attempt at refinement with higher symmetry [orthorhombic Pmn21] did not give a reasonable solution.

Figures

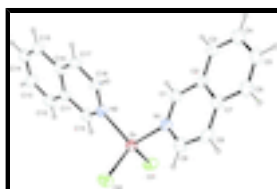


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of (I) with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for H atoms).

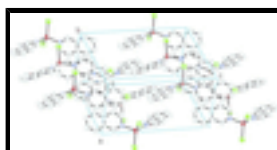


Fig. 2. The unit cell packing diagram of (I) showing the parallel arrangement of isoquinoline ligands. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

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Refinement on F^2

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Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1036P)^2]$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

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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.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Zn	0.75125 (6)	0.30754 (4)	0.25278 (3)	0.0408 (2)
Cl1	0.51169 (15)	0.22275 (10)	0.27066 (8)	0.0597 (4)
Cl2	0.98654 (16)	0.21580 (10)	0.25609 (9)	0.0616 (4)
N1	0.7603 (4)	0.3828 (3)	0.1381 (2)	0.0448 (9)
N2	0.7615 (5)	0.4115 (3)	0.3490 (2)	0.0466 (9)
C1	0.7034 (6)	0.4723 (4)	0.1236 (3)	0.0482 (11)
H1	0.6550	0.5071	0.1688	0.058*
C2	0.7109 (5)	0.5212 (3)	0.0418 (3)	0.0423 (10)
C3	0.6513 (6)	0.6175 (4)	0.0286 (3)	0.0590 (13)
H3	0.6042	0.6540	0.0731	0.071*
C4	0.6632 (7)	0.6570 (4)	-0.0501 (3)	0.0651 (14)
H4	0.6234	0.7216	-0.0595	0.078*
C5	0.7340 (7)	0.6037 (5)	-0.1187 (3)	0.0645 (15)
H5	0.7409	0.6337	-0.1721	0.077*
C6	0.7913 (7)	0.5106 (5)	-0.1080 (3)	0.0620 (14)
H6	0.8365	0.4755	-0.1538	0.074*
C7	0.7822 (6)	0.4647 (4)	-0.0243 (3)	0.0481 (12)
C8	0.8407 (6)	0.3682 (4)	-0.0097 (3)	0.0589 (13)
H8	0.8863	0.3301	-0.0536	0.071*
C9	0.8294 (6)	0.3310 (4)	0.0713 (3)	0.0559 (12)
H9	0.8708	0.2670	0.0816	0.067*
C10	0.7032 (6)	0.3890 (4)	0.4234 (3)	0.0525 (12)
H10	0.6485	0.3279	0.4303	0.063*
C11	0.7191 (5)	0.4547 (3)	0.4968 (3)	0.0444 (11)
C12	0.6585 (7)	0.4275 (4)	0.5760 (3)	0.0620 (14)
H12	0.6066	0.3658	0.5846	0.074*
C13	0.6774 (7)	0.4941 (5)	0.6412 (3)	0.0676 (15)
H13	0.6375	0.4770	0.6950	0.081*
C14	0.7542 (6)	0.5864 (4)	0.6299 (3)	0.0591 (14)
H14	0.7638	0.6297	0.6761	0.071*
C15	0.8152 (6)	0.6148 (4)	0.5537 (3)	0.0582 (13)
H15	0.8673	0.6767	0.5473	0.070*
C16	0.7987 (5)	0.5473 (3)	0.4815 (3)	0.0448 (11)
C17	0.8591 (6)	0.5706 (4)	0.4020 (3)	0.0552 (13)
H17	0.9120	0.6316	0.3920	0.066*
C18	0.8402 (6)	0.5027 (4)	0.3381 (3)	0.0551 (13)
H18	0.8824	0.5185	0.2845	0.066*

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Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Zn	0.0544 (4)	0.0332 (3)	0.0347 (3)	0.0000 (2)	0.0035 (2)	-0.0002 (2)
C11	0.0625 (8)	0.0496 (8)	0.0672 (8)	-0.0098 (6)	0.0145 (6)	-0.0045 (6)
C12	0.0638 (8)	0.0546 (8)	0.0665 (8)	0.0131 (6)	0.0068 (6)	-0.0011 (6)
N1	0.051 (2)	0.042 (2)	0.042 (2)	-0.0036 (18)	-0.0006 (16)	0.0036 (17)
N2	0.053 (2)	0.049 (2)	0.037 (2)	0.0060 (19)	0.0019 (16)	-0.0027 (18)
C1	0.053 (3)	0.048 (3)	0.043 (3)	-0.004 (2)	-0.002 (2)	-0.006 (2)
C2	0.047 (2)	0.043 (3)	0.037 (2)	-0.007 (2)	-0.0001 (19)	-0.007 (2)
C3	0.072 (3)	0.050 (3)	0.055 (3)	0.004 (3)	-0.007 (2)	-0.003 (3)
C4	0.073 (3)	0.070 (4)	0.053 (3)	-0.011 (3)	-0.010 (3)	0.012 (3)
C5	0.077 (4)	0.082 (4)	0.034 (3)	-0.015 (3)	-0.003 (2)	0.018 (3)
C6	0.071 (3)	0.074 (4)	0.040 (3)	-0.006 (3)	0.002 (2)	0.009 (3)
C7	0.048 (3)	0.046 (3)	0.050 (3)	-0.006 (2)	-0.002 (2)	-0.005 (2)
C8	0.071 (3)	0.060 (3)	0.045 (3)	0.004 (3)	0.008 (2)	-0.015 (2)
C9	0.071 (3)	0.056 (3)	0.041 (3)	0.000 (3)	0.009 (2)	-0.002 (2)
C10	0.054 (3)	0.057 (3)	0.046 (3)	0.001 (2)	0.000 (2)	0.001 (2)
C11	0.041 (2)	0.044 (3)	0.049 (3)	0.005 (2)	0.001 (2)	0.005 (2)
C12	0.067 (3)	0.061 (4)	0.058 (3)	-0.002 (3)	0.010 (3)	0.008 (3)
C13	0.075 (4)	0.078 (4)	0.049 (3)	0.005 (3)	-0.001 (3)	-0.012 (3)
C14	0.069 (3)	0.067 (4)	0.041 (3)	0.011 (3)	-0.004 (2)	-0.013 (3)
C15	0.062 (3)	0.063 (3)	0.050 (3)	0.008 (3)	-0.005 (2)	-0.008 (3)
C16	0.042 (2)	0.049 (3)	0.043 (3)	0.013 (2)	0.0004 (19)	0.012 (2)
C17	0.072 (3)	0.038 (3)	0.056 (3)	-0.003 (2)	0.004 (2)	0.010 (2)
C18	0.073 (3)	0.043 (3)	0.050 (3)	0.002 (2)	-0.005 (2)	-0.007 (2)

Geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$)

Zn—N1	2.062 (4)	C7—C8	1.388 (7)
Zn—N2	2.052 (4)	C8—C9	1.366 (7)
Zn—C11	2.2235 (13)	C8—H8	0.9300
Zn—C12	2.2262 (13)	C9—H9	0.9300
N1—C1	1.298 (6)	C10—C11	1.453 (6)
N1—C9	1.370 (6)	C10—H10	0.9300
N2—C10	1.290 (6)	C11—C12	1.381 (7)
N2—C18	1.379 (6)	C11—C16	1.409 (6)
C1—C2	1.441 (6)	C12—C13	1.363 (7)
C1—H1	0.9300	C12—H12	0.9300
C2—C3	1.385 (7)	C13—C14	1.387 (8)
C2—C7	1.403 (6)	C13—H13	0.9300
C3—C4	1.346 (7)	C14—C15	1.344 (7)
C3—H3	0.9300	C14—H14	0.9300
C4—C5	1.406 (8)	C15—C16	1.453 (7)
C4—H4	0.9300	C15—H15	0.9300
C5—C6	1.334 (8)	C16—C17	1.371 (6)
C5—H5	0.9300	C17—C18	1.359 (7)
C6—C7	1.450 (7)	C17—H17	0.9300

C6—H6	0.9300	C18—H18	0.9300
N2—Zn—N1	108.05 (16)	C9—C8—C7	117.9 (5)
N2—Zn—C11	106.47 (11)	C9—C8—H8	121.0
N1—Zn—C11	112.99 (10)	C7—C8—H8	121.0
N2—Zn—C12	108.96 (11)	C8—C9—N1	123.6 (5)
N1—Zn—C12	104.91 (11)	C8—C9—H9	118.2
C11—Zn—C12	115.26 (6)	N1—C9—H9	118.2
C1—N1—C9	118.1 (4)	N2—C10—C11	123.0 (5)
C1—N1—Zn	126.1 (3)	N2—C10—H10	118.5
C9—N1—Zn	115.8 (3)	C11—C10—H10	118.5
C10—N2—C18	118.7 (4)	C12—C11—C16	122.8 (5)
C10—N2—Zn	119.6 (4)	C12—C11—C10	121.6 (5)
C18—N2—Zn	121.6 (3)	C16—C11—C10	115.6 (4)
N1—C1—C2	123.9 (4)	C13—C12—C11	117.7 (5)
N1—C1—H1	118.1	C13—C12—H12	121.2
C2—C1—H1	118.1	C11—C12—H12	121.2
C3—C2—C7	121.8 (4)	C12—C13—C14	122.1 (5)
C3—C2—C1	122.6 (4)	C12—C13—H13	118.9
C7—C2—C1	115.6 (4)	C14—C13—H13	118.9
C4—C3—C2	118.4 (5)	C15—C14—C13	121.5 (5)
C4—C3—H3	120.8	C15—C14—H14	119.2
C2—C3—H3	120.8	C13—C14—H14	119.2
C3—C4—C5	122.1 (5)	C14—C15—C16	119.1 (5)
C3—C4—H4	118.9	C14—C15—H15	120.5
C5—C4—H4	118.9	C16—C15—H15	120.5
C6—C5—C4	120.8 (5)	C17—C16—C11	120.7 (5)
C6—C5—H5	119.6	C17—C16—C15	122.5 (5)
C4—C5—H5	119.6	C11—C16—C15	116.8 (4)
C5—C6—C7	119.3 (5)	C18—C17—C16	118.7 (5)
C5—C6—H6	120.3	C18—C17—H17	120.6
C7—C6—H6	120.3	C16—C17—H17	120.6
C8—C7—C2	120.8 (4)	C17—C18—N2	123.2 (5)
C8—C7—C6	121.7 (5)	C17—C18—H18	118.4
C2—C7—C6	117.5 (5)	N2—C18—H18	118.4

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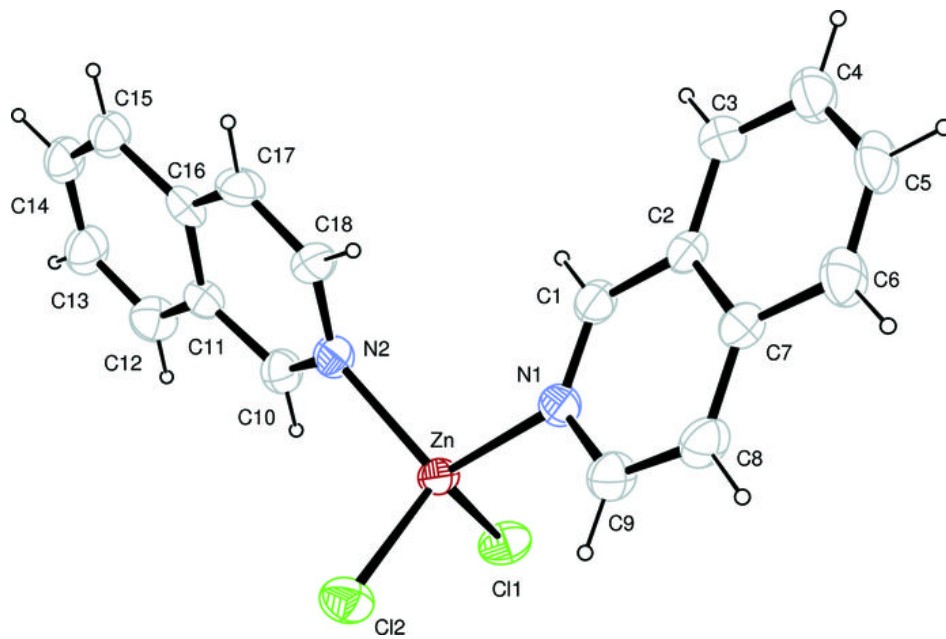


Fig. 2

