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**Multinuclear Solid-State NMR and DFT Studies on Phosphanido Bridged
Diplatinum Complexes†**

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ABSTRACT.

Multinuclear (^{31}P , ^{195}Pt , ^{19}F) solid state NMR experiments on $(n\text{Bu}_4\text{N})_2[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (**1**), $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](Pt\text{-}Pt)$ (**2**) and *cis*- $\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2$ (**3**), were carried out under cross polarization/magic-angle spinning conditions or with the cross polarization/Carr-Purcell Meiboom-Gill pulse sequence. Analysis of the principal components of the ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt chemical shift (CS) tensors of **1** and **2** reveals that the variations observed comparing the isotropic chemical shifts of **1** and **2**, commonly referred to as “ring effect”, are mainly due to changes in the principal components oriented along the direction perpendicular to the Pt_2P_2 plane. DFT calculations of ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt CS tensors confirmed the tensor orientation proposed from experimental data and symmetry arguments and revealed that the different values of the isotropic shieldings stem from differences in the paramagnetic and spin-orbit contributions.

KEYWORDS. Solid-State NMR, Platinum Phosphides, DFT calculations, ^{195}Pt , ^{31}P , ^{19}F .

BRIEFS: The relative sizes of the principal components of the ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt chemical shift tensors of two phosphido bridged diplatinum complexes were obtained by experimental and DFT methods.

Introduction

Platinum diorganophosphanido complexes have been the object of intense study in the last years due to the rich chemistry they exhibit.¹⁻¹⁹ NMR spectroscopy is a powerful technique for investigating the structure and dynamics in solution of such complexes, owing to the presence of several different spin $\frac{1}{2}$ nuclei in these molecules (^1H , ^{31}P , ^{195}Pt , ^{13}C and in several cases ^{19}F). Although NMR studies on this kind of complexes have been performed since several decades, some issues about ^{195}Pt NMR and ^{31}P NMR remain unclear.

It has been long known that the ^{31}P chemical shift of bridging diorganophosphanides is particularly sensitive to its electronic environment as modified by the nature of the Pt–Pt bond (this effect occurs for other dimetal diorganophosphanido complexes).²⁰⁻²² In particular, when the R_2P group

bridges two non bonded Pt atoms forming a four-membered Pt-P-Pt-X ring (X = P, N, O, Cl, Br, I), the ^{31}P chemical shift ranges from +5 to -260 ppm (Chart 1, structures G and H); the open bridge R_2P group, and the R_2P group bridging two non bonded Pt atoms forming a five-membered Pt-P-Pt-P-X ring (X = N, O), are characterised by ^{31}P chemical shift values ranging from -20 to 50 ppm (Chart 1, E and F); when the R_2P group subtends a Pt-Pt bond (Chart 1, A, B, C, D), the ^{31}P chemical shifts of the diorganophosphanide involved in the three-membered Pt_2P ring range from 90 to 400 ppm.

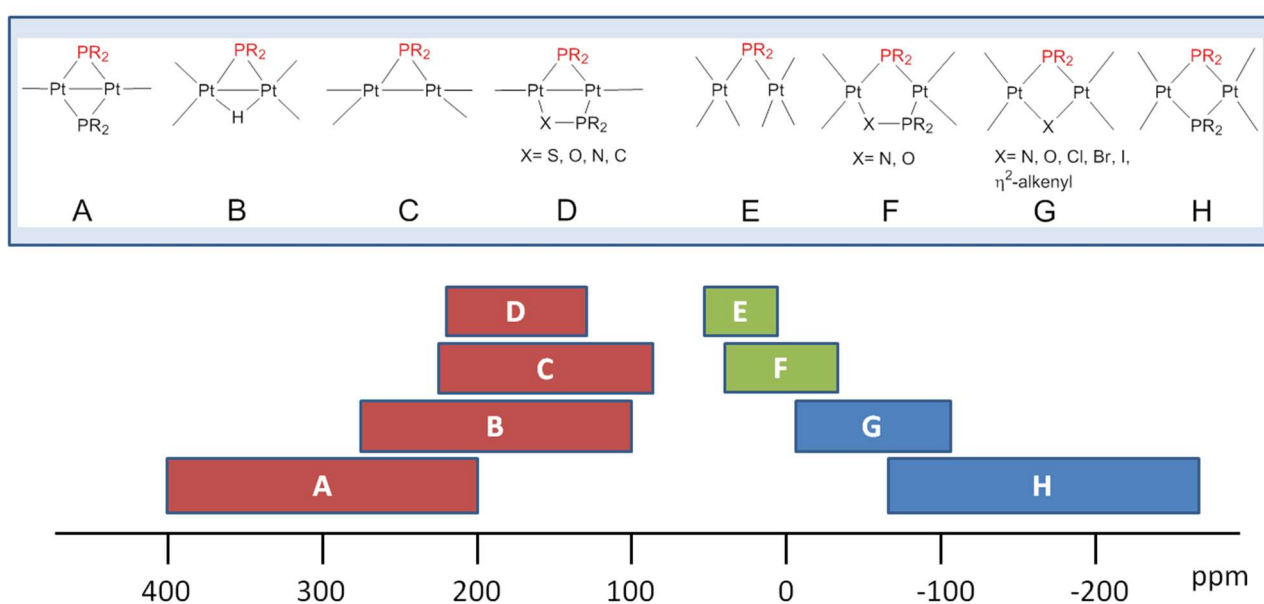


Chart 1. Ranges of ^{31}P chemical shifts for diorganophosphanido platinum complexes.

As to the ^{195}Pt NMR, the simplest distinction that one can make is among the different oxidation states exhibited by these complexes, ^{195}Pt nuclei in Pt(II) complexes being generally much more shielded than in Pt(IV) ones.²³⁻²⁶ However, this simplification does not hold for platinum diorganophosphanido complexes. In fact, as shown in Chart 2, such compounds exist with Pt atoms exhibiting formal oxidation states of +1, +2, +3 and +4 and, even though only few examples are reported on $\mu\text{-PR}_2$ Pt complexes in the oxidation states +3 and +4, no regular trend correlating the chemical shift with the Pt oxidation state can be observed.

Diorganophosphanido bridged species bearing Pt(IV) are rare, the only examples available in the literature being constituted by mixed valence Pt(II)/Pt(IV) complexes (Chart 2, A) where the Pt(IV) exhibits ^{195}Pt chemical shifts ranging from -2000 to -3000 ppm. Diorganophosphanido complexes of Pt(III) are also quite rare and show $\delta_{\text{Pt(III)}}$ ranging from -4700 to -5300 ppm (Chart 2, G). A large number of phosphanido bridged species bearing Pt(II) have been described (Chart 2, B), and their ^{195}Pt chemical shifts ranges from -3000 to -4700 ppm. If the change in shielding observed comparing Pt(IV) with Pt(III) looks reasonable on the basis of a higher electron density around the Pt nucleus expected upon decreasing the Pt oxidation state, the values observed for Pt(II) are not immediately rationalized. The known Pt(I) dimers described in the literature²⁷ exhibit ^{195}Pt chemical shifts ranging from -4200 to -6900 ppm (Chart 2, C-F), in the region where diorganophosphanido Pt(III) complexes are observed. It should also be remarked that correlations between atomic charges and chemical shifts are of limited scope and may exhibit counterintuitive trends.²⁸

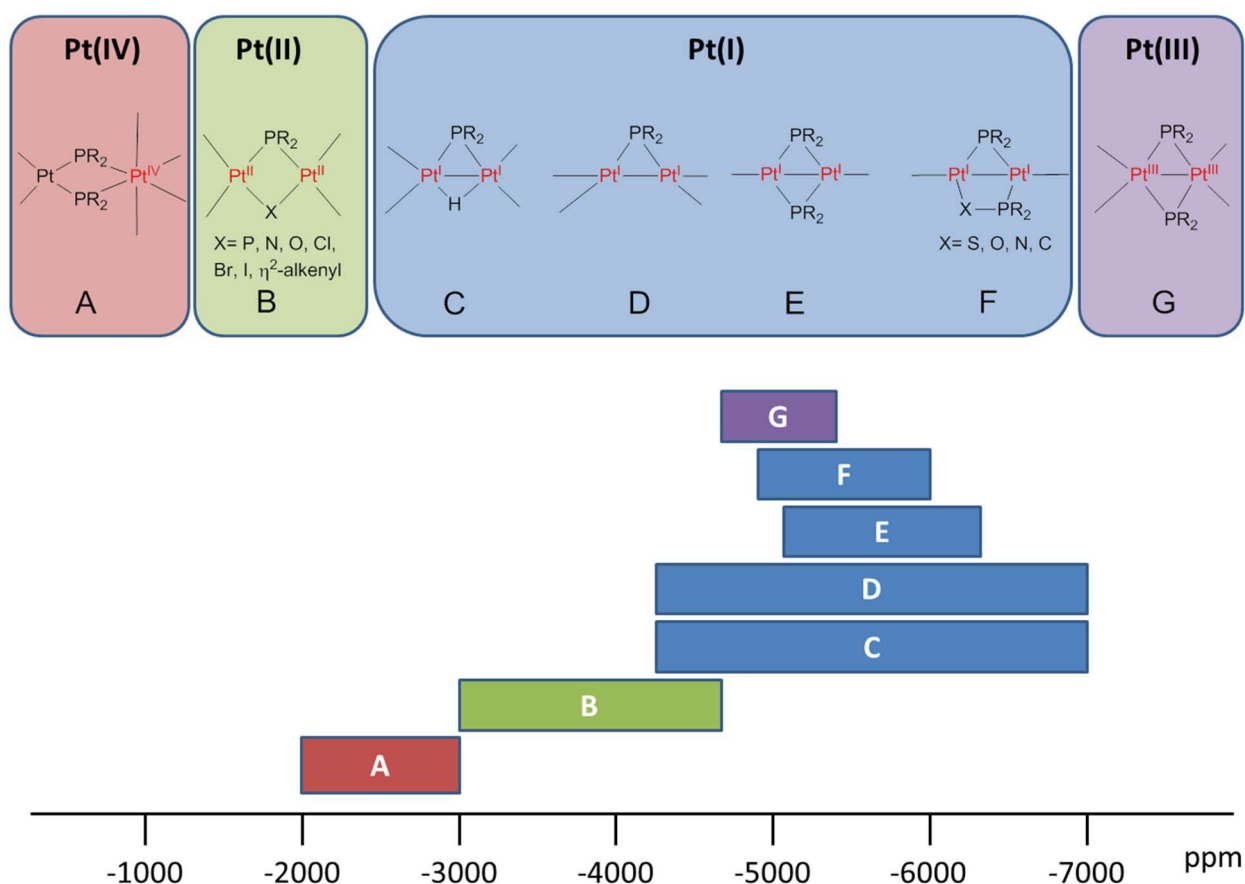


Chart 2. Ranges of ^{195}Pt chemical shifts for diorganophosphanido platinum complexes.

It is known that the total shielding of a heavy nucleus can be partitioned into the sum of diamagnetic (σ_d), paramagnetic (σ_p), and spin-orbit contributions (σ_{SO}) (Eq. 1).²⁹ In the case of ^{31}P , the paramagnetic contribution (σ_p) is thought to be predominant to the total shielding³⁰ while, in the case of ^{195}Pt , both the paramagnetic, and the relativistic spin-orbit terms were demonstrated to contribute substantially.³¹

$$\sigma = \sigma_d + \sigma_p + \sigma_{SO} \quad (1)$$

Given that σ_p (which exerts the dominant influence on ^{31}P shielding) depends on the energy difference between excited and ground states²⁹ the strong deshielding observed for the ^{31}P resonance upon going from structures having $\mu\text{-PR}_2$ involved in three-membered rings (A-D in Chart 1) to structures having $\mu\text{-PR}_2$ involved in four-membered rings (G-H in Chart 1) has been interpreted in terms of a smaller gap between highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO) and lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (LUMO).³²

The trends reported in Chart 1 and 2 show that, on passing from Pt-Pt bonded species to Pt \cdots Pt "non-bonded" ones, the ^{31}P nuclei are strongly shielded while the ^{195}Pt nuclei become more deshielded. This calls the simple correlation of the paramagnetic shielding with HOMO-LUMO gap into question,³³ because such an influence would result in parallel trends for ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt nuclei. Therefore, in order to gain insights into the different contributions to the total ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt shielding and the three-dimensional nature of the shielding for diorganophosphanido bridged Pt complex endowed or not endowed with a Pt-Pt bond, we decided to carry out an experimental and theoretical solid-state multinuclear NMR study on complexes $(n\text{Bu}_4\text{N})_2[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (**1**) and of its two-electron oxidation product $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](\text{Pt-Pt})$ (**2**). These two complexes, whose XRD structures are known, possess pairs of ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt nuclei that are chemically equivalent in solution, differ in the formal Pt oxidation states (as a consequence

of the different total number of electrons) and have very similar structures, the main difference being the shape of the Pt₂P₂ ring, which is elongated in the Pt–Pt direction in the case of **1** (Chart 3). The study has been complemented with the mononuclear complex *cis*-Pt(C₆F₅)₂(PPh₂)₂ (**3**), which can be considered as a “building block” of **1** and **2**, and in which the coordination around the Pt atom is essentially the same as in **1** but with two terminally bonded diphenylphosphanes in place of the bridging diphenylphosphanides.

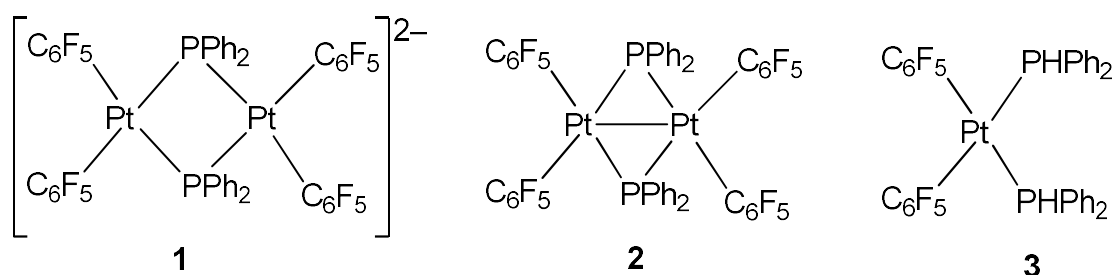


Chart 3

Experimental Section

Complexes **1**,³⁴ **2**,³⁵ and **3**³⁴ were prepared by literature methods.

Solid-State NMR. Solid-state NMR experiments were performed on a Bruker Avance I 400 spectrometer using a 4.0 mm HX MAS probe at 298 K. For MAS and static (non-spinning) experiments, samples were packed in zirconia rotors. Chemical shifts are referenced to H₂PtCl₆ (¹⁹⁵Pt, 86.0 MHz), H₃PO₄ (³¹P, 161.9 MHz), CFC₃ (¹⁹F, 376.5 MHz). For ³¹P and ¹⁹⁵Pt NMR spectra, a two-pulse phase-modulation (TPPM) decoupling scheme was used for the ¹H decoupling.

¹H-³¹P CP/MAS NMR experiments were performed using 3.25 μs proton π/2 pulse length, ν_{CP} of 55.0 kHz, contact time of 5.0 ms, ν_{dec} of 76.9 kHz and recycle delay of 6 s. ¹H-³¹P CP/MAS NMR spectra of complexes **1** and **2** were acquired collecting two subspectra using spectral width of 75.2 kHz for **1** and 64.9 kHz for **2**. The transmitter offsets were set at 0 Hz and –75188 Hz for **1** and 89087 Hz and 26726 Hz for **2**. The line width at half height of the peaks was ca. 475 Hz for **1** and 220 Hz for **2**. For the static experiments, ¹⁹⁵Pt powder patterns were acquired by collecting

subspectra with a spectral width of 75 kHz^{36,37} and 60 Meiboom–Gill (MG) loops. For complex **1**, sixteen subspectra were acquired using transmitter offsets spaced by 24.9 KHz (the first transmitter offset was set at –498887 Hz), for complex **2** four subspectra spaced by 25.8 KHz (the first transmitter offset was set at –479749 Hz), and for complex **3** five subspectra spaced by 27.9 KHz (the first transmitter offset was set at –454676 Hz). In all cases, the subspectra were co-added using the skyline projection method. The acquisition time ($1/\tau_a$) was adjusted to attain a spikelet separation of 8.3 kHz for complex **1**, 4.3 kHz for complex **2** and 3.1 kHz for complex **3**. ^1H - ^{195}Pt CP/CPMG experiments were performed using 3.25 μs proton $\pi/2$ pulse length, ν_{CP} of 65.4 kHz, contact time of 7.0 ms, ν_{dec} of 77.0 kHz, and recycle delay of 4 s. ^{19}F MAS NMR experiments were performed using the Bloch decay pulse sequence with a $\pi/2$ fluorine pulse length of 3 μs and a recycle delay of 6 s. The spinning rates for ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS (and ^{19}F MAS) NMR spectra were chosen in such a way that the second-order effects were completely averaged.³⁸ The ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS NMR spectrum of **3** recorded at a spinning rate of 9.0 kHz showed too few spinning sidebands, precluding a suitable HB analysis.³⁹ Therefore, the spectrum was recorded also at 4.0 kHz spinning rate, which was a good compromise between the need to average second order effects³⁸ and to generate at least five intense spinning sidebands for HB analysis.

Simulations of static spectra were carried out with WSOLIDS,⁴⁰ while simulation of MAS spectra was carried out with SIMPSON.⁴¹ The shown calculated solid-state ^{31}P NMR spectra were obtained as addition of three subspectra of isotopomers having no (natural abundance: 43.8%), one (natural abundance: 44.8%) or two (natural abundance: 11.4%) NMR active ^{195}Pt atoms. The HB analysis was performed using the program Graphical Herzfeld Berger Analysis.⁴²

Computational Details. All calculations have been carried out using Density Functional Theory (DFT) as implemented in the Amsterdam Density Functional (ADF 2013) code.⁴³ Relativistic effects were modeled by the two-component Zero-Order Regular Approximation (ZORA) method,²⁹ including either only scalar effects (ZSC) or spin-orbit coupling (ZSO) as well. In

keeping with previous studies,^{44,45} we adopted the BP86 functional^{46,47} and basis sets made of triple-zeta quality, singly or doubly polarized Slater functions (TZP and TZ2P, respectively). Geometry optimization was performed at the ZSC/TZP level under C_i (**1** and **2**) or C_2 (**3**) symmetry, and the calculation of molecular properties at the ZSO/TZ2P level (without symmetry constraints).

NMR properties of ^{195}Pt and ^{31}P nuclei were calculated with the ADF *nmr* module⁴⁸⁻⁵¹ from the ZSO density, and yielded the full shielding tensor and its principal components σ_{11} , σ_{22} , σ_{33} , with $\sigma_{33} \geq \sigma_{22} \geq \sigma_{11}$. Chemical shifts were determined as $\delta_{ii} = (\sigma_{\text{ref}} - \sigma_{ii}) / (1 - \sigma_{\text{ref}})$ using the commonly adopted reference $[\text{PtCl}_6]^{2-}$ ($\sigma_{\text{ref}} = 1397.9$ ppm)⁴⁵ for ^{195}Pt and as $\delta_{ii} = (\sigma_{\text{ref}} - \sigma_{ii} - 266.1)$ ⁵² relative to 85% H_3PO_4 using the magnetic shielding constant of PH_3 ($\sigma_{\text{ref}} = 589.8$ ppm) calculated at the same computational level as secondary reference.

Chemical shift anisotropies were obtained as $\Omega = \delta_{11} - \delta_{33}$ and $\kappa = 3(\delta_{22} - \delta_{\text{iso}}) / \Omega$. ^{195}Pt chemical shifts were calibrated against a set of Pt(II) and Pt(IV) complexes spanning the range between -6000 and 7000 ppm, obtained at the same theoretical level.⁴⁵

Results and discussion

^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS NMR

The solution $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of the compounds depicted in Chart 3 exhibit one signal for the two equivalent ^{31}P nuclei at: $\delta -147$ for **1**;³⁴ $\delta 282$ for **2**;³⁵ $\delta -8$ for **3**³⁴ flanked by ^{195}Pt satellites (for **1**: $^1J_{\text{P,Pt}} = 1787$ Hz; for **2**: $^1J_{\text{P,Pt}} = 1224$ Hz; for **3**: $^1J_{\text{P,Pt}} = 2175$ Hz). In the solid state, ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS NMR spectra of the dinuclear complexes **1-2** (Figures 1 and 2) exhibited a single spinning sideband pattern compatible with a crystallographic equivalence of both ^{31}P nuclei,⁵³ while the spectrum of **3** (Figure 3) showed two different signals with equal intensities, in accord to the presence of two crystallographically inequivalent phosphorus nuclei within the molecule.⁵⁴ The presence of two crystallographically inequivalent phosphorus nuclei in *cis*-Pt(PR₃)₂X₂ complexes is

unexceptional, as it has been noted that usually the crystal symmetry for the two phosphine ligands of one complex renders each phosphorus crystallographically distinct.^{35,55,56}

In the case of **1** and **2**, the isotropic ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS chemical shifts are δ -166 and δ 292 , respectively, with indirect coupling constants $^1J_{\text{P,Pt}} = 1775$ (**1**) and $^1J_{\text{P,Pt}} = 1220$ Hz (**2**). For **3**, the isotropic ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS chemical shifts are δ -4 and δ -7 , with $^1J_{\text{P,Pt}}$ of 2175 Hz and 2120 Hz, respectively. The relatively good agreement with the solution shifts indicates the absence of significant structural differences between solid state and solution.

The principal components of the ^{31}P chemical shift tensors obtained from Herzfeld-Berger (HB) analysis of the sideband patterns⁵⁷ of the complexes **1**, **2** and **3** are collected in Table 1. For both diphenylphosphanido bridged complexes **1** and **2**, the chemical shieldings of the ^{31}P nucleus exhibit considerable anisotropy, as measured by the span Ω of the chemical shift (CS) tensor which is 840 ppm for **1** and 595 ppm for **2**. Such values are comparable with that obtained for μ -PHMes in the Pt dimer *anti*- $[(\text{PH}_2\text{Mes})\text{ClPt}(\mu\text{-PHMes})\text{Pt}(\text{PH}_2\text{Mes})\text{Cl}]$ ($\Omega = 712$ ppm).^{58,59} As a comparison, diphenylphosphanido bridged Fe, Ru or Os complexes show spans ranging from 206 to 620 ppm,⁶⁰ the latter value being observed for the cluster $\text{Ru}_8(\text{CO})_{21}(\mu_6\text{-P})(\mu_4\text{-PPh})(\mu_2\text{-PPh}_2)$. However, closer inspection of the three tensor components of **1** and **2** (and of the corresponding skews) reveals that the high anisotropies arise primarily from a large offset of a single principal component, whereas the two other components remain almost unchanged and are quite similar in both complexes. In fact, for **1** the distinct principal component is δ_{33} , with a value of -698 ppm, responsible for the high field frequency of the ^{31}P isotropic signal and the positive sign of the skew ($\kappa = 0.80$), while for **2** the distinct principal component is δ_{11} , with a value of 649 ppm, responsible for the low field frequency of the ^{31}P isotropic signal (and the negative sign of the skew, $\kappa = -0.60$). The other two tensor components of the bridging phosphanides have values of 142 and 59 ppm for **1**, and 172 and 54 ppm for **2**.

As a consequence of the local symmetry around phosphorus, we may assume that two of the three tensor components lie approximately in the coordination plane of platinum, and the third one is nearly perpendicular to it. By analogous reasoning to that used by Lindner for cyclic biphosphane complexes of Mo, W and Pt,⁶¹ we assign in both complexes the *distinct* principal component (δ_{33} in case of **1** and δ_{11} in case of **2**) as the one that is oriented perpendicular to the Pt₂P₂ plane.⁶² This hypothesis was confirmed by DFT calculations (*vide infra*). Consequently, the higher $\delta_{\text{iso}}^{31\text{P}}$ of **2** in comparison to **1** is exclusively attributable to a large variation of the shielding (by some 1350 ppm) along the *perpendicular to the Pt coordination planes*.

In the mononuclear complex **3**, where the diphenylphosphane ligands are terminally bonded to Pt, the spans of the ³¹P shielding tensors ($\Omega = 112$ and 134 ppm) are much smaller than in **1** or **2**, falling in the range of those reported for phosphanes terminally coordinated to platinum.^{55,56,61}

Table 1. Experimental Solid-State and Solution ³¹P Parameters of **1-3**.

Complex	ν_{rot} (kHz)	δ_{11} (ppm)	δ_{22} (ppm)	δ_{33} (ppm)	δ_{iso} (ppm) ^a	¹ J _{P,Pt} (Hz)	Ω (ppm) ^b	κ ^c	δ_{solution} (ppm)
1	9.0	142(11)	59(8)	-698(8)	-166	1775	840 (6)	0.80 (0.8)	-147 ^d
2	9.0	649(2)	172(1)	54(1)	292	1220	595 (2)	-0.60 (0.01)	282 ^d
3	4.0	65(1)	-31(1)	-47(1)	-4	2175	112 (0.2)	-0.72 (0.01)	-7.8 ^e
		70(1)	-28(1)	-64(1)	-7	2120	134 (0.2)	-0.47 (0.01)	

^a Isotropic shift is defined as $\delta_{\text{iso}} = (\delta_{11} + \delta_{22} + \delta_{33})/3$. ^b $\Omega = \delta_{11} - \delta_{33}$. ^c $\kappa = 3(\delta_{22} - \delta_{\text{iso}})/\Omega$. ^d from ref.

35. ^e from ref. 34.

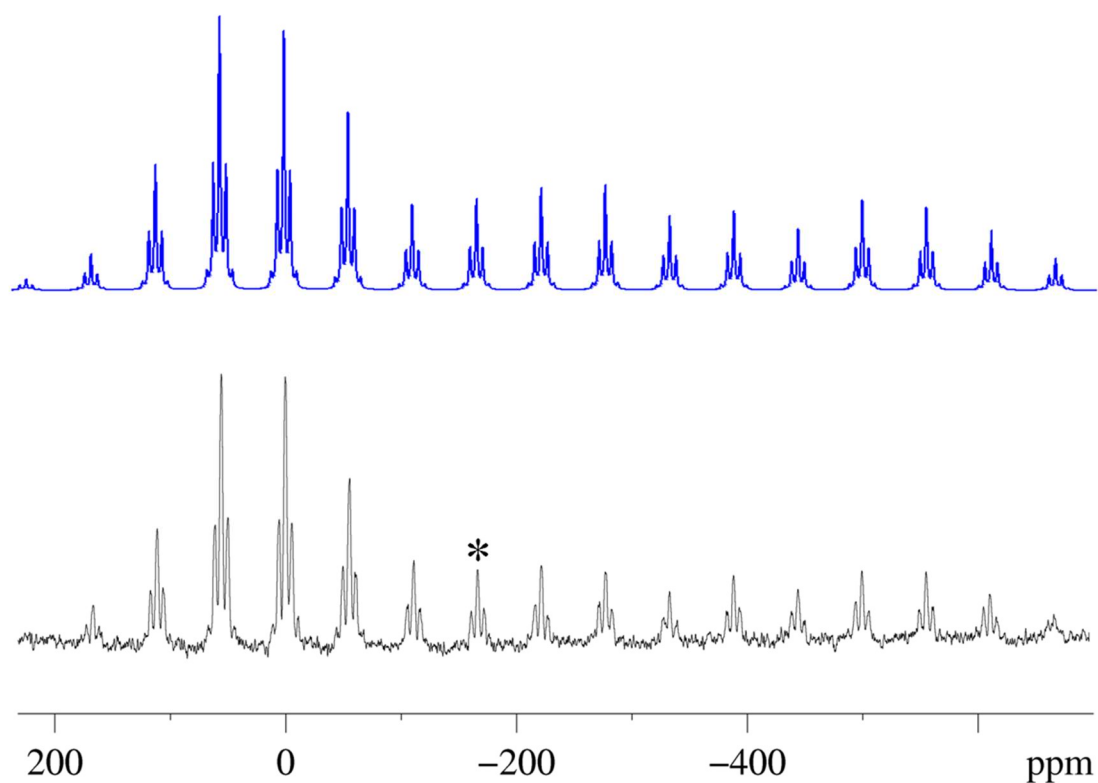


Figure 1. ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS spectrum of $(n\text{Bu}_4\text{N})_2[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$, **1**, obtained with a MAS rate of 9.0 kHz, 6.0 s recycle delay (bottom trace) and spectral simulation using the data listed in Table 1 (top trace). The asterisk indicates the isotropic ^{31}P chemical shift.

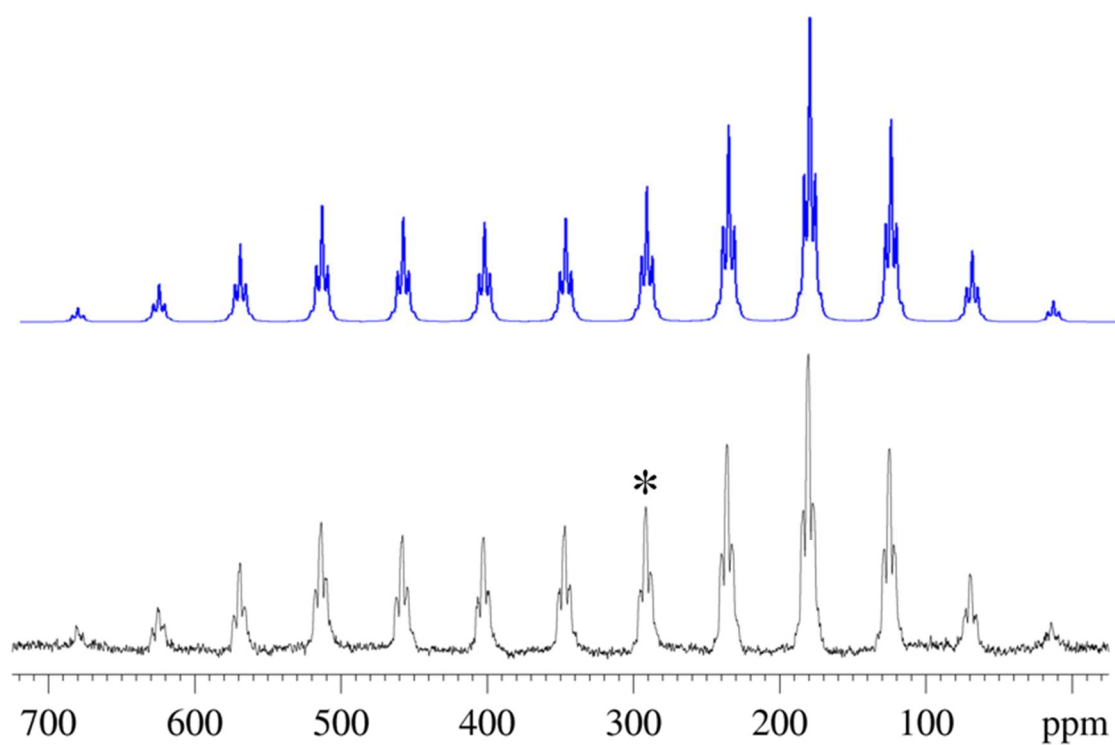


Figure 2. ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS spectrum of $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (*Pt-Pt*), **2**, obtained with a MAS rate of 9.0 kHz (bottom trace) and spectral simulation using the data listed in Table 1 (top trace). The asterisk indicates the isotropic ^{31}P chemical shift.

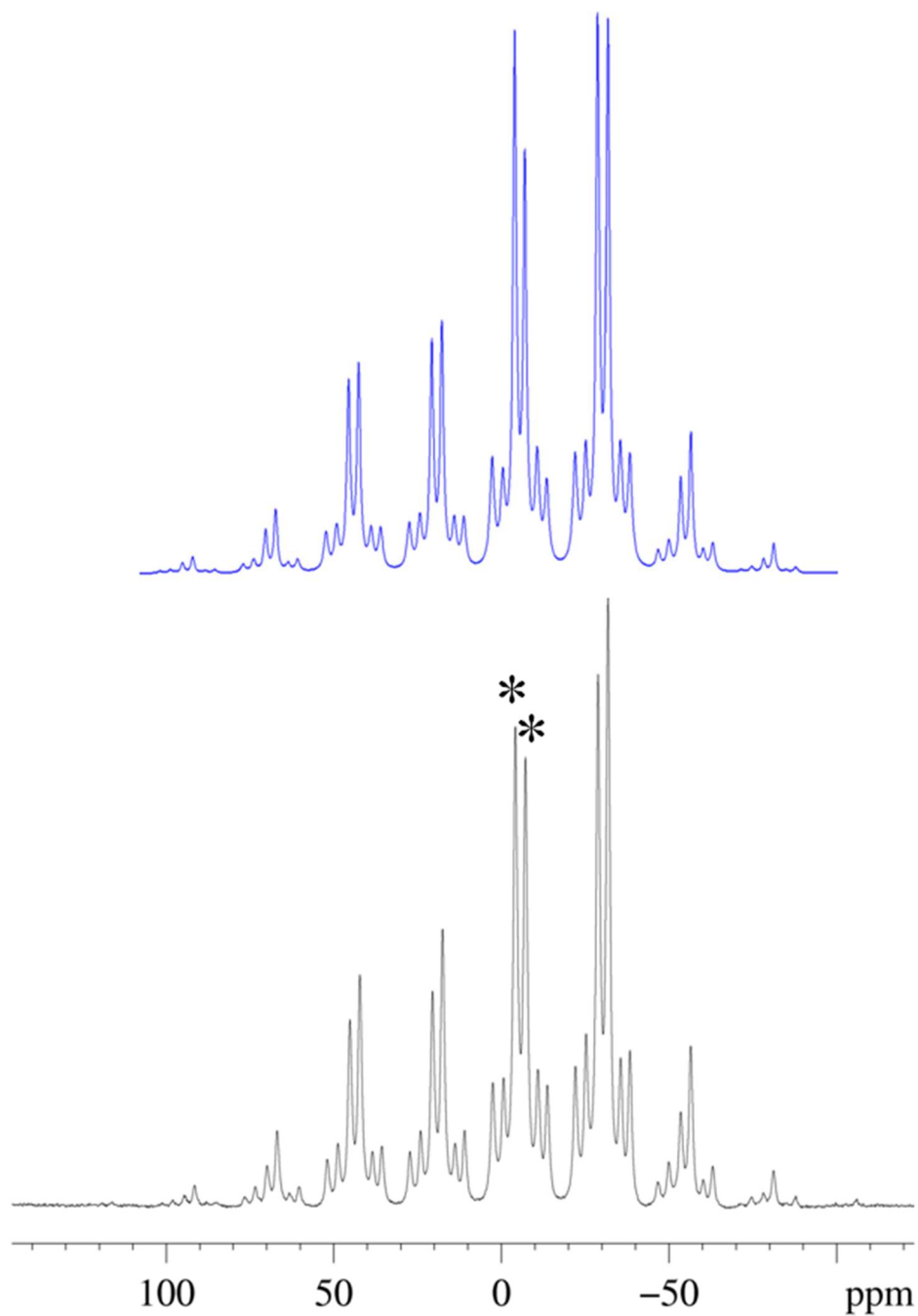


Figure 3. ^1H - ^{31}P CP/MAS spectrum of *cis*-Pt(C₆F₅)₂(PPh₂)₂, **3**, obtained with a MAS rate of 4.0 kHz (bottom trace) and spectral simulation using the data listed in Table 1 (top trace). The asterisks indicate the isotropic ^{31}P chemical shifts of the inequivalent P atoms.

^1H - ^{195}Pt CP/CPMG NMR

Differently from the solution state case, where ^{195}Pt NMR is now an established analytical tool for characterising platinum containing molecules, solid-state ^{195}Pt NMR studies are still rare.^{37,56,63-78} The difficulties in recording high resolution solid-state ^{195}Pt NMR spectra are largely due to the exceedingly high chemical shift anisotropy (in some cases higher than 10,000 ppm)⁵⁹ exhibited by this nucleus in a square planar coordination geometry, resulting in extremely broad patterns with correspondingly low signal to noise (S/N) ratios. When the platinum nucleus is coupled with several NMR active nuclei, the task of recording clear MAS ^{195}Pt NMR spectra is even more challenging, due to multiple direct, indirect and quadrupolar couplings. An elegant solution, proposed independently by Wasylishen³⁷ and Schurko,³⁶ consists in the application of the Carr-Purcell Meiboom-Gill (CPMG) pulse sequence for the acquisition of static solid-state NMR of spin-1/2 nuclei with a good S/N ratio in reasonable acquisition times. The FID of CPMG experiments contains a series of echoes that, after Fourier transformation, result in a manifold of “spikelets” in the frequency domain. The envelope of these “spikelets”, in the case of a spin-1/2 nucleus such as ^{195}Pt , allows the reconstruction of the shape of the static powder pattern. A drawback of the use of the CPMG pulse sequence is the loss of signal multiplicity, which, in the present study, is irrelevant. CPMG and CP/CPMG pulse sequences have been applied to the solid-state NMR study of $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_3)_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)]$,³⁷ $[\text{Pt}(\text{PEt}_3)_2(\text{OCO})_2 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}]$,³⁷ $\text{Pt}[\text{S}_2\text{C}_2(\text{CF}_3)_2]_2$ ⁷⁹ and its reduced form,⁸⁰ Pt(II) complexes with hexadentate amino- and iminophosphane ligands,⁸¹ and of $[\text{Pt}(\text{dbbpy})(\text{C}\equiv\text{CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{BMes}_2)_2]$ (dbbpy = 4,4'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-bipyridine).⁷⁴

The static ^1H - ^{195}Pt CP/CPMG spectra of complexes **1** and **2** are reported in Figures 4a-b. Analytical simulation of the static powder pattern envelope furnished $\delta_{\text{iso}} -3767$ for **1** and $\delta_{\text{iso}} -5389$ for **2**, values in reasonable accord to those obtained in acetone- d_6 solution (Table 3). The span observed for **1** ($\Omega = 4549$ ppm) is comparable to that found for $[\text{Pt}(\text{dbbpy})(\text{C}\equiv\text{CC}_6\text{H}_4\text{BMes}_2)_2]$ ($\Omega = 4150$ ppm),⁷⁴ and much larger than one might expect on the basis of the literature. In fact, pioneering works on ^1H - ^{195}Pt CP/MAS suggested that, independently of the formal oxidation state of platinum,

the span found for complexes endowed with the *cis*-P₂PtC₂⁵⁶ fragment should be modest (500-1300 ppm).⁶⁶

In the case of **1**, the large chemical shift anisotropy arises mainly from large deshielding in the direction of δ_{11} , which was estimated as high as -1023 ppm, with respect to the other two components (δ_{22} -4705 ppm, δ_{33} -5572 ppm). As far as **2** is concerned, it can be observed that two principal components of the ¹⁹⁵Pt shift tensor (δ_{11} at -4618 ppm and δ_{22} at -5594 ppm) are quite similar to δ_{22} and δ_{33} of **1**, while the third one, which is the most shielded component (δ_{33} -5954 ppm) is very different from δ_{11} of **1**. Again, local symmetry arguments suggest that the principal components, both for **1** and **2**, are oriented one perpendicular and two in-plane with respect to the coordination plane. Given the similarity to the ³¹P case, we may assume that the principal components of the ¹⁹⁵Pt shift tensor which have similar magnitudes in **1** and in **2** (δ_{22} and δ_{33} for **1** and δ_{11} and δ_{22} for **2**) are oriented in-plane while the remaining principal component (δ_{11} for **1** and δ_{33} for **2**) is perpendicular to the coordination plane. This hypothesis is, again, supported by the DFT calculations⁸² (*vide infra*).

The large shielding difference (ca. 5000 ppm) observed comparing δ_{11} of **1** to δ_{33} of **2** (being the other two principal components almost similar) causes a dramatic reduction of CSA, attested by a tensor span for **2** of 1337 ppm.

Comparing the ³¹P and ¹⁹⁵Pt data of **1** and **2** it is apparent that, while the ¹⁹⁵Pt nuclei of **1** are more deshielded than those of **2**, the ³¹P nuclei of **1** are more shielded than those of **2**. This behavior has been already noticed for platinum complexes bearing chelating diphosphanes forming four- to six-membered rings.⁶¹

The isotropic ¹⁹⁵Pt chemical shift of **3** was determined as -4692 ppm, in accord with the value observed in chloroform solution (δ -4677). For **3**, whose ¹H-¹⁹⁵Pt CP/CPMG spectrum is reported in Figure 4c, the tensor span (Ω 1747 ppm) is comparable to that of mononuclear Pt complexes with

a *cis*-P₂PtC₂ fragment.³⁸ This points out that the large CSA observed for **1** should be ascribed to the presence of the four-membered P₂Pt₂ ring present in **1** but not in **3**.

Table 2. Experimental Solid-State and Solution ¹⁹⁵Pt Parameters of **1-3**.

Complex	δ_{11} (ppm)	δ_{22} (ppm)	δ_{33} (ppm)	δ_{iso} (ppm) ^a	Ω (ppm) ^b	κ ^c	δ_{solution} (ppm)
1	-1023(48)	-4705(48)	-5572(48)	-3767(83)	4549(67)	-0.62(2)	-3795 ^d
2	-4618(26)	-5594(26)	-5954(26)	-5389(45)	1337(36)	-0.46(3)	-5298
3	-3613(18)	-5104(18)	-5359(18)	-4692(31)	1747(25)	-0.71(3)	-4677

^a Isotropic shift is defined as $\delta_{\text{iso}} = (\delta_{11} + \delta_{22} + \delta_{33})/3$. ^b $\Omega = \delta_{11} - \delta_{33}$. ^c $\kappa = 3(\delta_{22} - \delta_{\text{iso}})/\Omega$. ^d In acetone-*d*₆, from ref. 2.

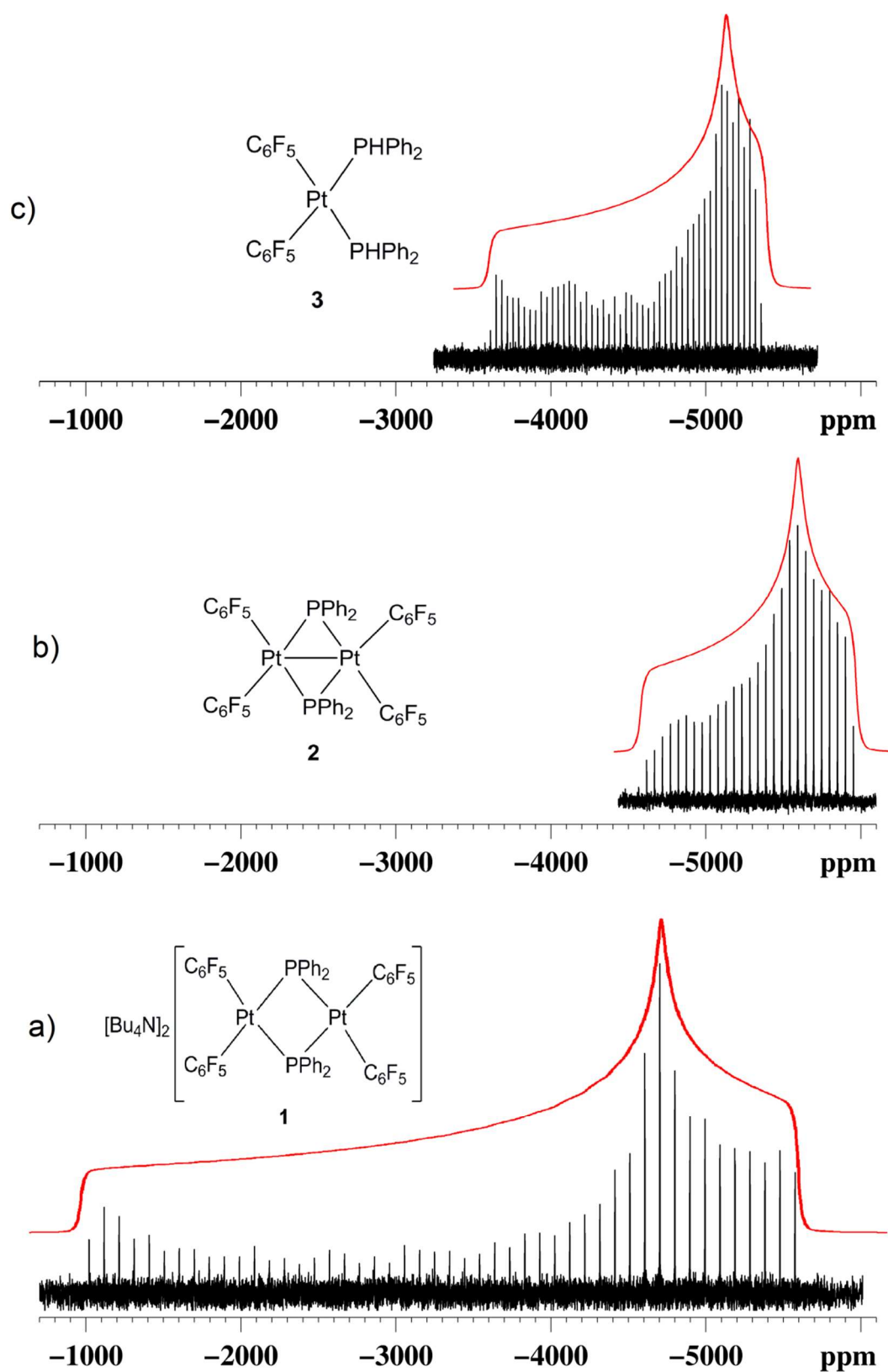


Figure 4. Static ^1H - ^{195}Pt CP/CPMG spectra (bottom trace) and simulations of powder patterns (top trace in red) of **1** (a), **2** (b) and **3** (c).

DFT Calculation of ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt Chemical Shielding Tensor Parameters

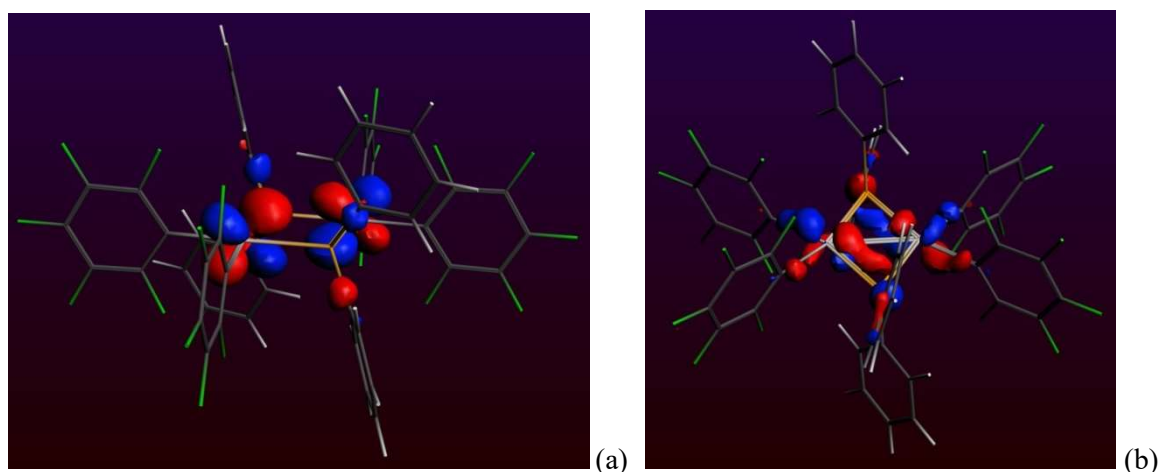
Theoretical calculations of ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt CS tensors were performed to confirm the tensor orientation proposed from experimental data and symmetry arguments. ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt shielding tensors were computed with relativistic DFT methods including spin-orbit coupling (see Computational details).

Isotropic chemical shifts: ^{31}P . Experimental ^{31}P isotropic shifts in solution are $\delta -147$ (**1**), $\delta 282$ (**2**) and $\delta -7.8$ ppm (**3**); the corresponding calculated shifts are $\delta -127$, $\delta 286$ and $\delta 13$ ppm, respectively. While the absolute shifts are somewhat different, the shift difference $\Delta\delta_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{1-2}) = 413$ ppm matches the experimental one ($\Delta\delta_{\text{exp}} = 412$ ppm). The two P atoms in **3** differ only slightly in their NMR properties, and are observed as a single signal in solution; the calculated shifts indeed differ by just 0.15 ppm.

A point of interest concerns spin-orbit effects on the relative shielding of ^{31}P in **1** and **2** (the electronic structure of **3** is too different to warrant this analysis). Table 4 shows that the different values of σ_{iso} stem from differences in both σ_{p} and σ_{SO} (σ_{d} being almost constant, as expected). In particular, σ_{SO} (128 ppm) is positive and of sizable magnitude for **1**, whereas it is almost zero for **2**. Relativistic effects on the shielding of a light atom bonded to a heavy one are well known, especially on ^{13}C bonded to heavy halogens,^{83,84} and have been traced to the *s* character of the bond between the two atoms. Moreover, the sign of σ_{SO} has been related to the bond type, a positive value being associated with high-energy occupied MO's with local π character.^{85,86} Analysis of high-energy MO's of **1** and **2** highlights that in the case of **1** the MO mostly accounting for the Pt–P bond has a high π character. Conversely, the Pt–P bond in **2** is described by a σ -type MO (Figure 5). On the other hand, the HOMO-LUMO gaps (0.110 and 0.063 au for **1** and **2**, respectively), which are often surmised to be an important factor affecting both σ_{p} and σ_{SO} ,⁸⁷ follows the expected trend regarding σ_{p} but do not seem to play a major role for σ_{SO} . Other analyses based on natural localized, rather than canonical, orbitals^{88,89} are hampered by the large size of **1** and **2**.

Table 4. Detailed ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt Isotropic Shieldings in **1-3**.

	σ_{p}	σ_{d}	σ_{SO}	σ_{iso}	δ_{iso}
^{31}P					
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]^{2-}$ (1)	-639.5	962.2	127.9	450.6	-126.9
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](\text{Pt-Pt})$ (2)	-922.7	963.2	-1.52	38.9	284.8
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2]$ (3) P1	-682.7	963.0	30.1	310.3	13.4
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2]$ (3) P2	-682.6	963.0	30.1	310.5	13.2
^{195}Pt					
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]^{2-}$ (1)	-7330.7	9281.9	2641.3	4592.5	-3199.1
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](\text{Pt-Pt})$ (2)	-6000.6	9282.7	2670.4	5952.5	-4561.0
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2]$ (3)	-6349.2	9587.2	2839.4	6077.4	-4686.0

**Figure 5.** (a) MO #162 (A_u symmetry) of **1**; (b) MO #158 (A_u symmetry) of **2**.

Isotropic chemical shifts: ^{195}Pt . The accuracy of predicted shieldings was firstly assessed by correlating experimental and calculated isotropic shifts for a variety of Pt(II) and Pt(IV) complexes for which experimental data are available (Table S1).⁴⁵ Literature values for known mononuclear complexes are very well correlated; least-squares fitting ($\delta_{\text{calc}} = b\delta_{\text{exp}} + a$) yields $b = 0.94$, $a = 155$ ppm, $R^2 = 0.98$ (Figure S4). Apart from the systematic offset of 155 ppm (commonly encountered in these correlations),^{45,90} calculated shifts are underestimated by 6%. The shieldings for $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]^{2-}$ (**1**), $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](\text{Pt-Pt})$ (**2**) and *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{PPh}_2)_2(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (**3**) (red markers in Figure S4) fully fit the correlation. Therefore, the results

indicate that the theoretical method adopted is reliable. Detailed results, including the diamagnetic, paramagnetic and spin-orbit contributions to σ for **1-3** are collected in Table 4.

Shielding tensors and anisotropies. The principal components of the ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt shielding tensors, shifts and anisotropies are reported in Table 5; principal components are plotted against the molecular structures in Figure 6. Detailed values of the individual tensor components and plots for **1-3** are provided in the Supporting Information (Tables S2-S4) and plotted against the molecular framework (Figures S5-S10). These data show that for Pt the largest (most shielded) principal components are in the coordination plane for **1** but perpendicular to it for **2**. Analysis of individual contributions for **1** and **2** indicates that while the diamagnetic and (to a minor extent) spin-orbit terms affect the overall magnitude of the shielding tensor σ , its orientation for both ^{195}Pt and ^{31}P is essentially that of σ_{p} . Moreover, the small ^{195}Pt component perpendicular to the coordination plane of **1** is seen to arise from a partial cancellation of the respective diamagnetic and paramagnetic terms (Figure S5); a similar cancellation occurs also for **2**, but to a lesser extent (Figure S7). For **3**, the orientation derives from all tensor components.

Table 5. Principal Components and Anisotropies of the ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt Shielding Tensors of **1-3**.^a

	σ_{11}	σ_{22}	σ_{33}	δ_{11}	δ_{22}	δ_{33}	Ω	κ
^{31}P								
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]^{2-}$ (1)	168.1	251.8	931.9	156	72	-608	764	0.78
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (2)	-266.8	126.2	257.4	591	197	66	524	-0.50
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2]$ (3) P1	245.9	336.3	348.8	78	-13	-25	103	-0.76
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2]$ (3) P2	245.9	336.6	349.0	78	-13	-25	103	-0.76
^{195}Pt								
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]^{2-}$ (1)	2089.3	5392.6	6295.6	-693	-4000	-4905	4212	-0.57
$[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (2)	4975.2	6291.0	6591.4	-3582	-4900	-5201	1618	-0.63
<i>cis</i> - $[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2]$ (3)	5222.0	6402.1	6608.0	-3829	-5011	-5217	1388	-0.70

^a In ppm at the ZSO-BP86/TZ2P level (see text).

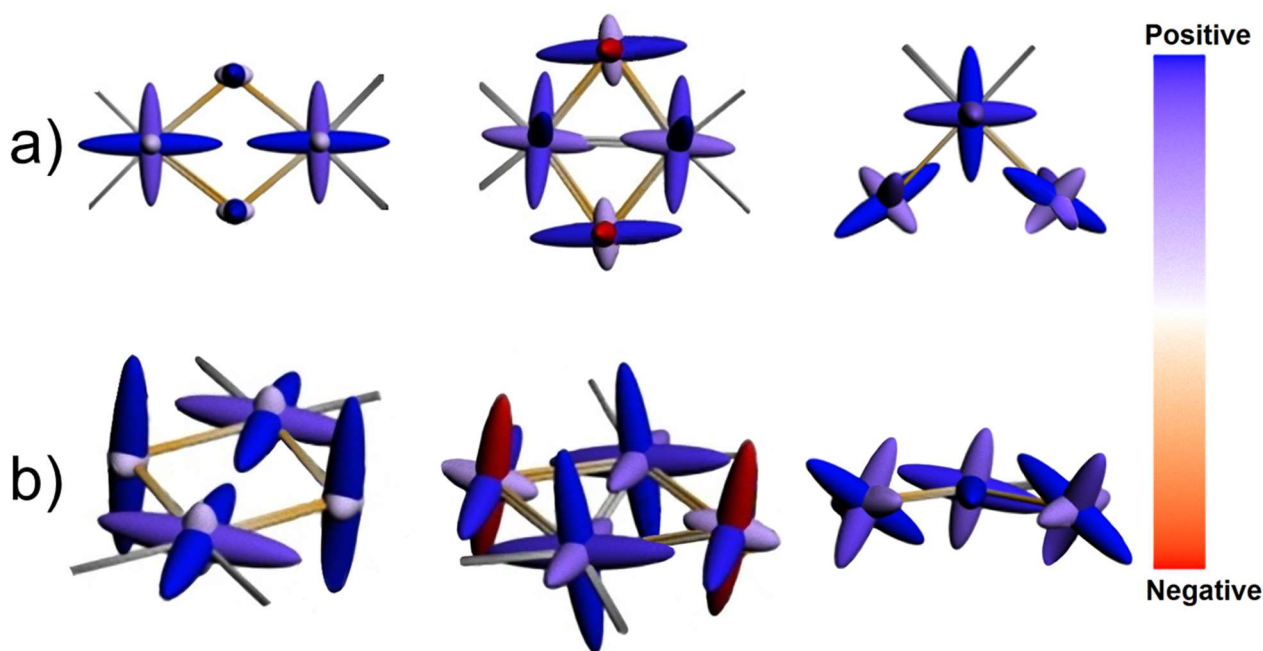


Figure 6. Orientation of the principal components of the shielding tensors of ^{195}Pt and ^{31}P in $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]^{2-}$ (**1**) (left), $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](\text{Pt-Pt})$ (**2**) (middle), $\text{cis-}[\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2(\text{PPh}_2)_2]$ (**3**) (right). (a) Top view, (b) side view. Positive and negative shielding values are encoded according to the color map on the right. Phenyl and C_6F_5 rings are omitted for clarity.

Conclusions

This work highlights the influences contributing to the ^{31}P and ^{195}Pt chemical shifts for diphenylphosphanido bridged diplatinum compounds. Combined solid-state NMR and DFT calculations on complexes indicate that the distinct principal components of the chemical shift tensors of $(n\text{Bu}_4\text{N})_2[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (**1**) and $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](\text{Pt-Pt})$ (**2**) are oriented in both cases along the direction perpendicular to the Pt_2P_2 plane. However, while ^{31}P nuclei of **2**, with respect to **1**, are significantly *deshielded* (by ca. 1350 ppm) along the direction of the distinct principal component of the CS tensor, ^{195}Pt nuclei of **2**, compared to **1**, are strongly *shielded* (by ca. 5000 ppm) along the directions of the distinct principal component of the CS tensor. DFT calculations showed that the different values of σ_{iso} stem, for ^{31}P , from differences in

the paramagnetic (σ_p) and in the spin-orbit term (σ_{SO}), whereas for ^{195}Pt , from differences mainly in σ_p .

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Supporting Information Available.

Details of the ^{195}Pt and ^{31}P shielding tensors, ^{19}F MAS spectra and parameters with discussion, orientation of the principal individual components of the shielding tensors of ^{195}Pt and ^{31}P , cartesian coordinates at the BP86-ZORA-SC/TZP level of the complexes **1-3**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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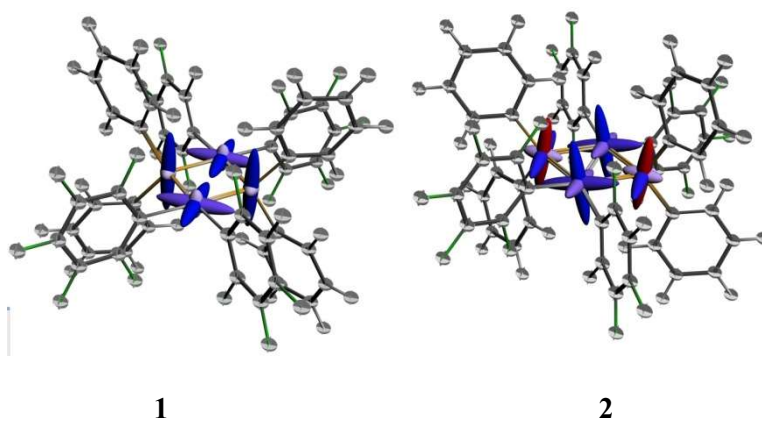
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The distinct principal components of the ^{195}Pt chemical shift tensors of $(n\text{Bu}_4\text{N})_2[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2]$ (**1**, $\delta_{\text{Pt}} -3767$) and $[(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2\text{Pt}(\mu\text{-PPh}_2)_2\text{Pt}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_2](\text{Pt-Pt})$ (**2**, $\delta_{\text{Pt}} -5389$) both oriented along the direction perpendicular to the Pt_2P_2 plane, are responsible for the strong shielding of the ^{195}Pt nuclei observed comparing **1** with **2**.