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Abstract The structure of a plate crystal of ((PMe4+·TCNQF4-·)·
1/2TCNQF4) was analyzed and very similar to that of the corresponding

NMe4<sup>+</sup> salt. However, significant difference was recognized between the two crystals in the structures of TCNQF4 and TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules, and especially in the contacts between the two TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules in dimerization and between the TCNQF4 and TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules. The change in both molecular structure and contact as above was also observed at a lowering temperature. The magnitude in change was larger in the NMe4<sup>+</sup> salt than in the PMe4<sup>+</sup> salt. However, the change exerted no special influence on the electrical conducting and magnetic properties.

#### INTRODUCTION

Very recently we have succeeded in the preparation of a new type of tetramethy-ammonium (NMe4<sup>+</sup>) salt of tetrafluorotetracyanoquinodimethane (TCNQF4) and its radical anion (TCNQF4<sup>--</sup>) in 1:2 molar ratio, (NMe4<sup>+</sup>·TCNQF4<sup>--</sup>)·1/2TCNQF4. <sup>1</sup> This mixed salt has two different crystal forms of plates (I) and needles (I'), of which I' very interestingly exhibited ferromagnetic behavior at room temperature. The crystal structure of I has already been disclosed by X-ray structure analysis,<sup>2</sup> while the single crystal of I' suitable for the analysis is still not available. The crystal structure of I was shown to be very unique at room temperature. Thus, the crystal is composed of alternating TCNQF4/TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> and NMe4<sup>+</sup> ion layers, and in each TCNQF4/TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> layer the two neighboring TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules form a tight dimer and each dimer is arranged in a completely perpendicular manner to each of TCNQF4 molecules. We now had interest in the change of this unique crystal structure with a lowering temperature as well as with other gegencations (tetramethyphosphonium ion, PMe4<sup>+</sup> was used in this study) than NMe4<sup>+</sup>, and furthermore in the electrical conducting and magnetic properties of I and the corresponding PMc4<sup>+</sup> salt ((PMe4<sup>+</sup>·TCNQF4<sup>--</sup>)·1/2TCNQF4, II).

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

The NMe4<sup>+</sup>·TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> and PMe4<sup>+</sup>·TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> salts were prepared by treatment of Li<sup>+</sup>·TCNQF4<sup>--</sup>, obtained by the reaction of TCNQF4 with an excess of LiI in hot acetonitrile,<sup>3</sup> with an excess of NMe4<sup>+</sup>·Cl<sup>-</sup> or PMe4<sup>+</sup>·Cl<sup>-</sup> in water, respectively. The salts were purified by recrystallization from acetonitrile/ether. When the NMe4<sup>+</sup>·

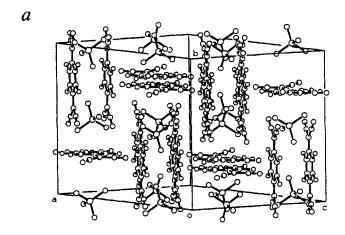
TCNQF4" or PMe4+.TCNQF4" crystal was again recrystallized in the presence of an excess of TCNQF4 from acetonitrile/ether, (NMe4+.TCNQF4--). 1/2TCNQF4 (I) (mp 254-255 °C) and (PMe4+.TCNQF4--)-1/2TCNQF4 (II) crystals (mp 228-229 °C) were isolated as plates. The X-ray crystal analysis of II at 300 K was performed on a Rigaku AFC7R diffractometer with graphite monochromated Cu - Kα radiation and 12 kW rotating anode generator on a purple prism (0.50 x 0.50 x 0.50 mm<sup>3</sup>) mounted on a glass capillary by the  $\omega$  - 2 $\theta$  scan method. Of total 3605 collected reflections, 3500 were observed. Cell constants and an orientation matrix for data collection were determined from a least-squares refinement using the setting angles of 25 carefully centered reflections in the range  $56.18^{\circ} < 2\theta < 56.88^{\circ}$ . The X ray crystal analyses of I at 250, 200, 150 and 100 K, and of II for 200 and 100 K were also performed on Rigaku RAXIS II imaging plate area detector with graphite monochromated MoKa radiation. Indexing was performed from 1873716430 stills which were exposed for 30.0 minutes. The crystal-to-detector distance was 300.0 mm. The detector swing angle was 0.00°. The crystal data were as follows. For II at 300 K:  $C_{22}H_{12}N_6PF_6$ , M = 505.34, monoclinic, space group C2/c, a = 22.24, b = 14.65, c = 13.90 Å,  $\beta = 96.4$  °V = 4497.9 Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 8,  $\rho_{calcd} = 1.87 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ ,  $\lambda = 1.54 \text{ Å}$ ,  $\mu(\text{CuK}\alpha) = 22.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; at 200 K: monoclinic, space group C2/c, a = 22.13, b = 14.59, c = 13.81 Å,  $\beta = 96.2$ °, V =4434.3 Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 8,  $\rho_{\text{calcd}} = 1.51 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ ; at 100 K: monoclinic, C2/c, a = 22.03,  $b = 1.51 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ 14.58, c = 13.72 Å,  $\beta = 96.2^{\circ} V = 4379.5 \text{ Å}^3 Z = 8$ ,  $\rho_{\text{calcd}} = 1.53 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ . For I at 250 K: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>7</sub>F<sub>6</sub>, M = 488.37, monoclinic, C2/c, a = 21.80, b = 14.62, c = 13.76Å,  $\beta = 97.6^{\circ}$ ,  $V = 4345.6 \text{ Å}^3$ , Z = 8,  $\rho_{\text{calcd}} = 1.49 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$ ; at 200 K: monoclinic, C2/c, a = 22.13, b = 14.60, c = 13.81 Å,  $\beta = 96.3^{\circ}$ , V = 4434.3 Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 8,  $\rho_{calcd} = 1.53$ g·cm<sup>-3</sup>; at 150 K: monoclinic, P21/n, a = 13.47, b = 14.58, c = 21.92 Å,  $\beta = 98.2$ °, V= 4262.0 Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 8,  $\rho_{calcd} = 1.52$  g·cm<sup>-3</sup>; at 100 K: monoclinic, space group P21/n, a = 13.41. b = 14.57, c = 21.89 Å,  $\beta$  = 98.1°, V = 4233.7 Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 8,  $\rho_{calcd}$  = 1.53 g·cm<sup>-3</sup>. The structure was solved by a direct method (SHELX-86)<sup>4</sup> and expanded using Fourier technique (DIRDIF94).<sup>5</sup> The data were corrected for absorption, Lorentz and polarization effects. Non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were included but not refined. Refinement by full-matrix least-squares calculations converged at R = 0.078 and Rw = 0.116 at 300 K, R = 0.039 and Rw = 0.0390.075 at 200 K, and R = 0.035 and Rw = 0.078 at 100 K for H; R = 0.072 and Rw = 0.0750.131 at 250 K, R = 0.078 and Rw = 0.116 at 200 K, R = 0.048 and Rw = 0.090 at 150 K, and R = 0.042 and Rw = 0.078 at 100 K for I. The ORTEP drawings, and full tables of fractional atomic coordinates, bond distances, bond angles and thermal

parameters have been deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre. The electrical conductivity was measured by using a two-probe method at room temperature. The electrical contact was achieved with gold paste. The magnetic susceptibility measurement was carried out in the temperature range of 5 to 300 K under an applied field of 500 Oe by a SQUID magnetometer (Quantum Design, MPMSR2). The paramagnetic susceptibility ( $\chi_p$ ) was obtained by subtracting a diamagnetic contribution calculated by a Pascal method from the observed value.

#### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF II AT ROOM TEMPERATURE

The (NMe4+•TCNQF4--)•1/2TCNQF4 was obtained as two crystal forms of plates (I) and needles by recrystallization of NMe4+•TCNQF4-- in the presence of an excess of TCNQF4 from acetonitrile/ether. On the other hand, when PMe4+•TCNQF4-- was used in place of NMe4+•TCNQF4--, only plate-form crystals (II) were crystallized out. The crystal structure of II at 300 K is shown in Fig. 1a, which is very similar to that of I. Thus, the crystal is composed of alternating TCNQF4/TCNQF4-- and PMe4+ layers along the a axis. The TCNQF4/TCNQF4-- layer adopts a unique packing structure, in which each pair of TCNQF4-- molecules is arranged in a completely perpendicular manner to each TCNQF4 molecule (see Fig. 1b). The C-C bond distances of TCNQF4 and TCNQF4-- molecules are quite similar to those of I, as shown in Fig. 2a,b. The



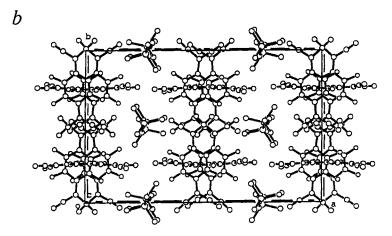


FIGURE 1. The crystal structures of II at 300 K: (a) the whole view and (b) the stacking projected down c axis.

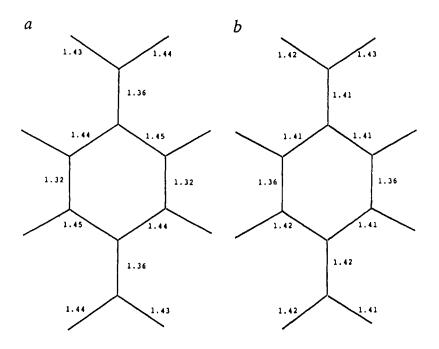


FIGURE 2. The C-C bond distances (Å) of (a) TCNQF4 and (b) TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules.

TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecule in I has smaller deviation from the plane (0.007 Å) as compared with that of II (0.020 Å). Conversely, for the TCNQF4 molecule the deviation from the plane is seen in II (0.030 Å), while there is no such deviation in I. The two neighboring TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules essentially form a tight dimer, judging from the very short contact distance (3.12 Å). This contact is slightly different from that in I. The contact distance is somewhat larger by 0.1 Å, and the torsional angle between the long axes of TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules is 0.3° in contrast with zero in I (see Fig. 3a). The dimer has two different contacts with the neighboring TCNQF4 molecules, as shown in Fig. 3a,b. One is the contact between one TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecule in dimerization and one TCNQF4 molecule. The dihedral angle between the

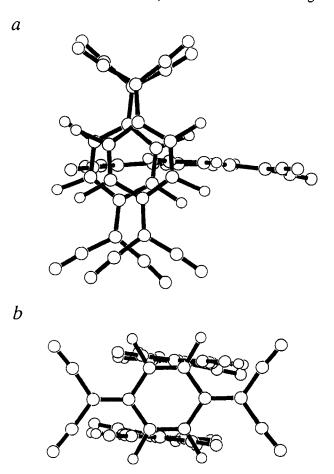


FIGURE 3. The contacts between TCNQF4 and TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules projected down (a) a and (b) b axes.

two molecules is 89.75°. The other contact occurs between one TCNQF4 molecule and two TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules in dimerization with the dihedral angle of 90.25°. These dihedral angles are slightly larger by 0.1° than those in I. The contact between the neighboring TCNQF4/TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> layers in II increases by 0.24 Å as compared with in I. This is considered as a result of accommodation of larger PMe4<sup>+</sup> ions in volume in place of NMe4<sup>+</sup> ions between the layers.

# TEMPERATURE DEPENDENCES OF CRYSTAL STRUCTURES OF I and II

The plate crystals of I and II possess very unique molecular arrangement of each pair of TCNQF4" molecules in a perpendicular manner to each TCNQF4 molecule. To our knowledge such a molecular arrangement can not be often found among a lot of crystals of organic compounds. Judging from the informations obtained so far, this molecular arrangement seems to be thermodynamically not so stable. By external stimuli such as temperature, pressure and so on, a remarkable change in molecular arrangement is expected to occur. Now we investigated the temperature dependence of molecular arrangement in I and II, in particular, the stacking structure of the TCNQF4" dimer, the molecular structure of the TCNQF4 molecule, and the contact between the TCNQF4dimer and the TCNQF4 molecule in a perpendicular orientation. The Fig. 4 shows the structures of a unit of one TCNQF4. dimer and one TCNQF4 molecule in I at 300, 250, 200, 150 and 100 K. The temperature dependence of the same unit structure in II was also investigated. The results measured at 300, 200 and 100 K are given in Fig. 5. As is obvious from the Figures, for I the TCNQF4" molecule is gradually less deviated from the plane with a lowering temperature. In contrast to this, an increasing deviation with lowering temperature is seen for the TCNQF4 molecule. Thedeviation magnitudes amount to 0.030 Å for the TCNQF4 molecule and 0.014 Å for the TCNQF4- molecule between 300 and 100 K. The contact distance between the two TCNQF4" molecules in dimerization decreases with a lowering temperature from 300 K (3.105 Å) to 100 K (3.045 Å). At the same time the deviation between the molecules also begins to appear with lowering temperature. The torsional angle is zero at room temperature, but becomes 0.96° at 100 K. Both contacts between one TCNQF4-- molecule or two TCNQF4- molecules in dimerization and one TCNQF4 molecule get out of a perpendicular manner with lowering temperature. Thus, the dihedral angles of the two

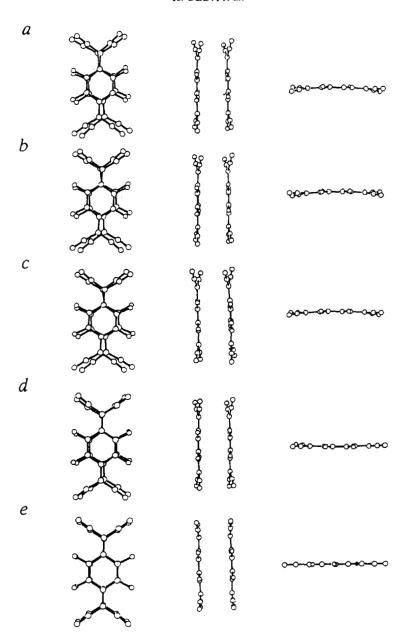


FIGURE 4. The molecular structures of TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules in a dimer and of a TCNQF4 molecule in I at different temperatures: (a) 100, (b) 150, (c) 200, (d) 250 and (e) 300 K.

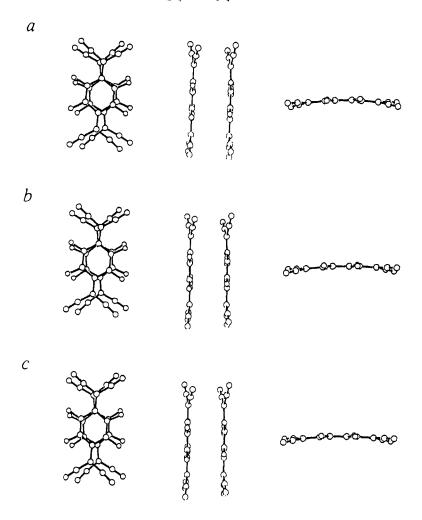


FIGURE 5. The molecular structures of a TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> dimer and a TCNQF4 molecule in II at different temperatures: (a) 100, (b) 200 and (c) 300 K.

contacts are both 90.08° at room temperature, and become 89.36° at 100 K. The distance between the neighboring TCNQF4/TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> layers changes from 10.981 Å at 300 K to 10.671 Å at 100 K. Similar tendencies can be also recognized for (1) the plane deviation of the TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> and TCNQF4 molecules, (2) the contact distance and distortion between the two TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> molecules, (3) the dihedral angles of two contacts between one TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> dimer and one TCNQF4 molecule, and (4) the distance between the neighboring TCNQF4/TCNQF4<sup>--</sup> layers in II. However, their magnitudes in

change are smaller as compared with those of I: (1) 0.001 and 0.006 Å; (2) 0.060 Å and 0.14°; (3) 0.31 and 0.19°; (4) 0.099 Å. This might be related to the fact that deviation of TCNQF4 and TCNQF4<sup>---</sup> molecules from a plane, decreased contact between the TCNQF4<sup>---</sup> molecules in dimerization and decreased perpendicular contact between one TCNQF4 molecule and one TCNQF4<sup>---</sup> dimer already occur at room temperature.

## ELECTRICAL CONDUCTING AND MAGNETIC PROPERTIES OF I and II

The electrical conductivities of I and II were  $6 \times 10^{-9}$  and  $1 \times 10^{-8}$  S·cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. This result clearly shows that I and II are essentially insulators. Some change in this insulator-like electrical conductivity might be observed with lowering temperature, since the crystal structure changes albeit in small degree, as already discussed. Unfortunately, the temperature dependence of electrical conductivity was in fact impossible to investigate, because of much more decrease in electrical conductivity with lowering temperature from room temperature. The temperature dependence of  $\chi_p$  was also investigated in the temperature range of 5 to 300 K under an applied field of 500 Oe for I and II. The result is shown in Fig. 6. The  $\chi_p$  values are almost zero

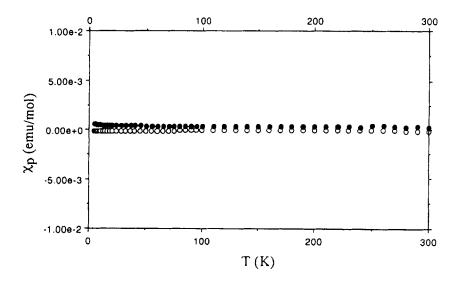


FIGURE 6. The temperature dependences of  $\chi_p$  in I ( $\bullet$ ) and II ( $\circ$ ).

throughout all temperature range, suggesting strong antiferromagnetic interaction between the TCNQF4- spins. Furthermore, at any temperature no unusual change in  $\chi_p$  was recognized. This means that even if the crystal structure changes with a lowering temperature, it exerts almost no significant influence on the interaction between the TCNQF4- spins. The magnetic property of I has marked a contrast to that of I'. Thus, for I' the  $\chi_p$  value at room temperature is ca. 0.012 emu/mol, which is larger by ca. 10 times than that assumed by a non-interacting S=1/2 spin entity per formula unit of this salt. In addition, there is entirely no change in  $\chi_p$  in the temperature range of 5 to 300 K. This abnormal observation suggests appearance of ferromagnetic behavior even at room temperature. Indeed, it was the case. The mechanism on the room-temperature ferromagnetic behavior remains unsolved, because the crystal structure is still unknown.

#### **DEDICATION**

It is our pleasure to dedicate this paper to Professors Yusei Maruyama and Fumio Ogura on the occasion of their retirement from Institute for Molecular Science and Hiroshima University, respectively.

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