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We have investigated the crystal structure and the Au valence states in  $[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{X}(\text{DBS})][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{X}_3(\text{DBS})]$  ( $\text{X}=\text{Cl}$ ,  $\text{Br}$ ,  $\text{I}$ ). From the analysis of  $^{197}\text{Au}$  Mössbauer spectra in  $\text{AuCl}_x(\text{DBS})$  ( $x=1, 2, 3$ ), it is proved that  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  has a mixed-valence state of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$ . Comparing with the isomer shifts of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ , it is considered that the charge transfer interaction between  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  is smaller than that in  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ . The isomer shifts of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  are much larger than those in  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ , which should be attributed to the highly covalent bond between Au and S. From the ESR spectra, it is shown that the  $\text{Au}^{\text{II}}$  states exist as the mismatch of the valence alternation in  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$ . The half-field ESR signal for  $\Delta M=\pm 2$  at low temperature indicates the dimerization of the  $\text{Au}^{\text{II}}$  state with ferromagnetic exchange interaction. Also, the X-ray powder patterns of  $\text{AuX}_2(\text{DBS})$  ( $\text{X}=\text{Cl}$ ,  $\text{Br}$ ) shows these two complexes to be isomorphous.

**Keywords:** mixed-valence; MX chain; two-leg ladder;  $^{197}\text{Au}$  Mössbauer spectroscopy; charge transfer interaction

### INTRODUCTION

Halogen bridged Pt mixed-valence complexes have been studied from the

viewpoint of one-dimensional system having strong electron-phonon interaction and of the non-linear excitations such as solitons and polarons.

$[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}(\text{DBS})][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_3(\text{DBS})]$  is one of a few number of halogen-bridged linear chain complexes involving gold. According to a single crystal X-ray analysis<sup>[1]</sup>,  $[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}(\text{DBS})][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_3(\text{DBS})]$  consists of alternating  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}(\text{DBS})$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_3(\text{DBS})$  units in a neutral chain, which is shown in Fig. 1. The  $\cdots \text{Au}^{\text{I}} \cdots \text{Cl} \text{---} \text{Au}^{\text{III}} \text{---} \text{Cl} \cdots \text{Au}^{\text{I}} \cdots$  network along the chain axis in  $[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}(\text{DBS})][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_3(\text{DBS})]$  is quite similar to that lying the *a*-*b* plane in the three-dimensional mixed valence complex,  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ <sup>[2]</sup>. Moreover, this crystal structure shows the paring of two one-dimensional chains, i.e., two-leg ladder. Recently, there have been increasing interests in spin-ladder systems because of unique magnetic properties of  $(\text{VO})_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$ <sup>[3]</sup> and the superconductivity of  $\text{Sr}_{0.4}\text{Ca}_{1.6}\text{Cu}_{24}\text{O}_{41.84}$ <sup>[4]</sup> realized by carrier-doping. We expect to control the Au valence states, solitons and polarons by doping holes into the two-leg ladder Au-X chains as well as polyacetylene. From an interest in the above mentioned viewpoints, we have systematically investigated the crystal structure and Au valence states in  $[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{X}(\text{DBS})][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{X}_3(\text{DBS})]$  (*X*=Cl, Br, I) by means of X-ray structural analysis, <sup>197</sup>Au Mössbauer spectroscopy and ESR measurement.

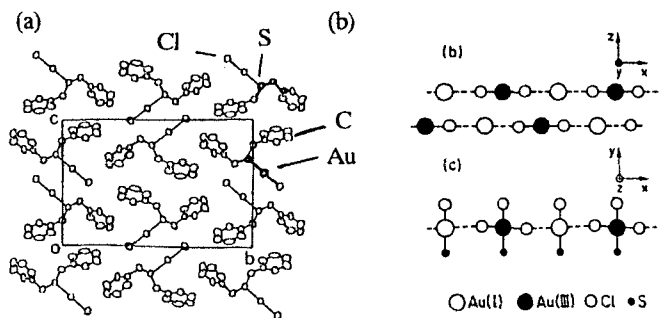


Figure 1 (a) Crystal structure of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$ <sup>[1]</sup> and (b) Schematic two-leg ladder structure of Au-Cl chain<sup>[5]</sup>.

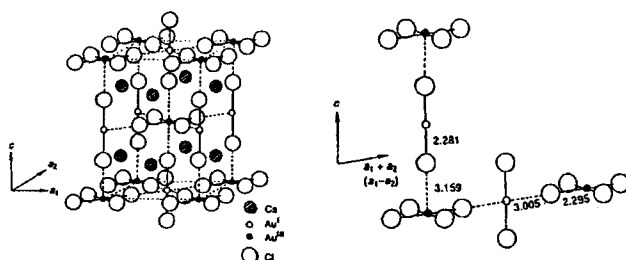


Figure 2 Crystal Structure of  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

## EXPERIMENTAL

### Sample Preparation

$\text{AuCl}_x(\text{DBS})$  ( $x=1,2,3$ ) and  $\text{AuBr}_2(\text{DBS})$  were prepared according to ref[6, 7, 8].

### Mössbauer Spectroscopic Measurement

Mössbauer spectroscopic measurements of the 77.34 keV transition in  $^{197}\text{Au}$  were carried out with both source and absorber cooled down to 16 K using a constant-acceleration spectrometer with a NaI (TI) scintillation counter. A  $^{197}\text{Pt}$  source was obtained by neutron irradiation of 98 % enriched platinum due to the nuclear reaction  $^{196}\text{Pt}[n, \gamma]^{197}\text{Pt}$  in the Kyoto University Reactor (KUR).

### ESR Measurement

The ESR spectra of  $\text{AuCl}_x(\text{DBS})$  were measured from 4.2 K to room temperature with an X-band JES-TE300 spectrometer. The sample was irradiated by a Xe-lamp through a window of the cavity keeping low temperature.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Figure 3 shows the  $^{197}\text{Au}$  Mössbauer spectra of powdered  $\text{AuCl}(\text{DBS})$ ,  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$ , and  $\text{AuCl}_3(\text{DBS})$ . A best fit of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  in Fig.3 is obtained with two doublets, the outer with lower intensity being assigned to  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$ , the

inner to  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$ . In this complex, the  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  site is in two (linear) ligand coordination and the  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  one is in four-fold (square planar) ligand coordination. So that, the environment of  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  site is more rigid than that of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  site, which is responsible for that the intensity ratio,  $I(\text{Au}^{\text{I}}/\text{Au}^{\text{III}})$ , is remarkably deviated from 1.0.

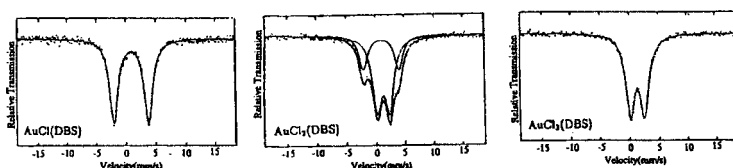


Figure 3  $^{197}\text{Au}$  Mössbauer spectra of  $\text{AuCl}(\text{DBS})$ ,  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$ , and  $\text{AuCl}_3(\text{DBS})$  at 16K. Relative to gold in platinum.

Table 1 shows the isomer shifts of  $\text{AuCl}_x(\text{DBS})$  ( $x=1, 2, 3$ ),  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ , and its two constituent complexes,  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}][\text{AuCl}_x]$  ( $x=2, 4$ ). The isomer shifts of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$  are quite different from those of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in its constituent complexes. On the other hand, the isomer shifts of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  are slightly different from those of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  in  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}(\text{DBS})$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{AuCl}_3(\text{DBS})$ , respectively. The fact shows that the charge transfer interaction of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  is much smaller than that of  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ . One reason for it is that the  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}-\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  bond of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  is longer by 0.39 Å than that of  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ . The isomer shifts of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  are much larger than those of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$ , which should be attributed to the highly covalent bond between Au and S. As is known for highly covalent gold complexes, Au orbitals have a large 6s character. In fact, from our EHMO calculation, the populations of 6s orbital of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  are estimated at 0.45 and 0.32, respectively. On the other hand, the populations of 6s orbital of  $\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$  in  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$  are estimated at 0.35 and 0.30, respectively.

Figure 4 shows the temperature dependence of the ESR spectra of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$ . The spectra of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  begin to arise at about 80 K and the intensity gradually increases with decreasing temperature. This signal corresponds to the  $\text{Au}^{\text{II}}$  states introduced into the Au-Cl chains during the crystal growth. The half-field ESR signal for  $\Delta M = \pm 2$  transition appearing at about 150 mT below 20 K indicates the existence of the dimerized  $\text{Au}^{\text{II}}$  states. It is not clear whether the dominant exchange interaction is the intra-chain interaction or the inter-chain one. Since the half-field ESR signal for the  $\Delta M = \pm 2$  transition increases with decreasing temperature, it is considered that the exchange interaction between  $\text{Au}^{\text{II}}$  site is ferromagnetic. The photoinduced effect on the ESR signal of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$  has not been observed.

	$\text{Au}^{\text{I}}$ (mm/s)	$\text{Au}^{\text{III}}$ (mm/s)
$\text{AuCl}(\text{DBS})$	1.01	
$\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$	1.09	1.40
$\text{AuCl}_3(\text{DBS})$		1.59
$[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}][\text{AuCl}_2]$	0.31	
$\text{Cs}_2[\text{Au}^{\text{I}}\text{Cl}_2][\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_4]$	-1.07	0.34
$[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}][\text{AuCl}_4]$		1.02

Table 1 Isomer shifts of Au in  $\text{AuCl}_X(\text{DBS})$  ( $X=1, 2, 3$ ),  $\text{Cs}_2[\text{AuCl}_2][\text{AuCl}_4]^{(9)}$ ,  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}][\text{AuCl}_2]^{(10)}$ , and  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}][\text{AuCl}_4]^{(11)}$ , Relative to gold in platinum.

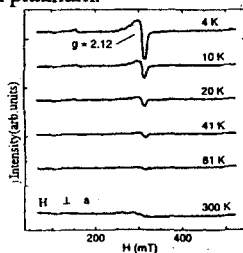


Figure 4 Temperature dependence of the ESR spectra of  $\text{AuCl}_2(\text{DBS})$

Figure 5 shows the X-ray powder patterns of  $\text{AuX}_2(\text{DBS})$  ( $X=\text{Cl}, \text{Br}$ ). As shown in Fig.5, the X-ray powder patterns of  $\text{AuX}_2(\text{DBS})$  ( $X=\text{Cl}, \text{Br}$ ) shows these two complexes to be isomorphous. Now we are performing the single

crystal X-ray structural analysis of  $\text{AuBr}_2(\text{DBS})$ .

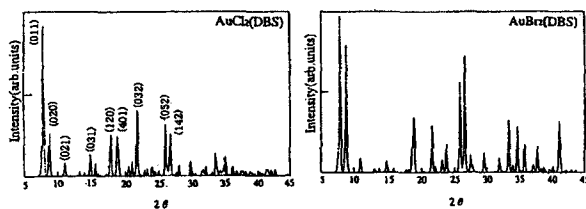


Figure 5 X-ray powder patterns of  $\text{AuX}_2(\text{DBS})$  ( $\text{X}=\text{Cl}, \text{Br}$ )

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