

Figure 1. Photoelectron spectra of kyanite, sillimanite, and mullite.

are listed in Table I. As can be seen from Figure 1 and Table I, the binding energies and full widths at half-maximum of the aluminum 2p level are quite similar for the three materials. Indeed, the full width at half-maximum (FWHM) of the 2p level of aluminum in sillimanite, which possesses both fourfold and sixfold coordinations, is actually somewhat less than the FWHM of the 2p level of aluminum in kyanite, which has all of its aluminum in sixfold coordination. The core electron binding energies of oxygen and silicon are also observed to be the same within experimental error. The FWHM of the oxygen 1s and the silicon 2p levels of mullite are observed to be larger than the same levels in the other two aluminosilicates, but this may be due to the existence of the minor glassy phase, which is presumably SiO<sub>2</sub>, in addition to the mullite phase.

Although the 1.4-eV difference in the 2p binding energy of aluminum in microcline has been attributed to the different coordinations of the aluminum in the two compounds, 1 it can also be explained by using ionic model concepts. Sixfold coordinated aluminum has been shown to have a 2p binding energy that can vary by as much as 1.6 eV depending on the number of positively charged ions in the lattice.<sup>7</sup> The presence of additional potassium cations in the crystal lattice of microcline, KAlSi<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>, has the effect of reducing the electron-attracting ability of the oxygen atoms. This causes a decrease in Al 2p binding energy as the number of positively charged ions increases and could account for the Al 2p binding energy in microcline being 1.4 eV lower than it is in alumina. However, when materials have similar chemical compositions, this effect will be absent and binding energy shifts due only to differing coordinations

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can be unambiguously determined. Sillimanite and kyanite, and is

both Al<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub>, meet this requirement. Since the Al 2p spectrum for sillimanite, with the aluminum in both fourfold and sixfold coordinations, is essentially identical with that for kyanite, with aluminum only sixfold coordinated, it must be concluded that photoelectron spectroscopy of core levels is unable to differentiate between aluminum atoms in different coordinations. This conclusion is strengthened by the data for mullite which is also essentially identical with that for kyanite even though the aluminum is again both fourfold and sixfold coordinated.

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## Discovery of Monoamminepalladium(II) Chloride Using Thermogravimetry

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Several workers have studied the thermal decompositions and isomerizations of a number of palladium-ammine complexes.<sup>1,2</sup> The most extensive studies of the thermal decompositions of tetraamminepalladium(II) chloride and

trans-diamminepalladium(II) chloride have been reported by Wendlandt and Fumes.<sup>3</sup> These studies revealed that the tetraamminepalladium(II) chloride decomposed over the range of 150-200° to yield the diammine complex

$$[Pd(NH_3)_4]Cl_2(s) \rightarrow trans - [Pd(NH_3)_2Cl_2](s) + 2NH_3(g)$$
 (1)

On further heating at rates of 7-10°/min, Wendlandt and Fumes observed that the diammine decomposed over the range of about 250-350° with a rather complex stoichiometry

$$5trans - [Pd(NH_3)_2Cl_2](s) \rightarrow 5Pd(s) + 6NH_4Cl(s) + 4HCl(g) + 2N_2(g) + H_2(g)$$
 (2)

They stated: "It should be emphasized that the reaction stoichiometries determined here may apply to this set of experimental conditions such as maximum temperature, heating rate, helium flow rate, and so on. Changing these conditions may well change the decomposition stoichiometry."

We discovered that a new compound, monoamminepalladium(II) chloride, can be obtained by very carefully controlling the thermal decomposition of the *trans*-[Pd(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>]

$$trans-[Pd(NH_3)_2Cl_2](s) \rightarrow Pd(NH_3)Cl_2(s) + NH_3(g)$$
 (3)

## **Experimental Section**

A modified Du Pont 950 thermogravimetric analyzer used in conjunction with a Radiometer automatic titrator has been described. Heating rates and purge gases are identified in the text; a constant gas flow rate of 150 cm³/min was used. Where NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was evolved during tg, it condensed on the cool exit end of the quartz reactor tube. It was measured quantitatively by rinsing into a flask and distilling the NH<sub>3</sub> from boiling 50% NaOH solution; the NH<sub>3</sub> was collected and titrated as described previously. A-Ray diffraction data for the new palladium compound, mixed with silicon as a standard, were obtained with a Siemens powder diffractometer using Ni-filtered Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation. Infrared spectra of Fluorolube and Nujol mulls of the various samples were obtained with a Beckman IR-10 spectrometer. The tetraamminepalladium(II) and trans-diamminepalladium(II) chlorides were prepared as previously described.

## Results and Discussion

Formation of Pd(NH<sub>3</sub>)Cl<sub>2</sub>. During a study of the thermal decomposition of [Pd(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]Cl<sub>2</sub> in a helium purge at a heating rate of 5°/min, we found, in agreement with Wendlandt and Fumes,3 that the stoichiometric quantity of NH<sub>3</sub> was evolved over the range of 150-200°. Upon heating further to 350° under the same conditions, we expected to obtain only HCl, N<sub>2</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub> as volatile products in accordance with reaction 2. Quite surprisingly, we obtained significant quantities of NH<sub>3</sub> [0.2 mol of NH<sub>3</sub>/mol of Pd] evolved from about 210 to 265°. Suddenly, at about 270-275°, HCl was evolved and the weight of ash at 400° suggested that reduction to Pd metal was incomplete. Subsequently, we found that at still lower heating rates, even more NH<sub>3</sub> was evolved and still less metallic Pd was obtained at 400°. We found, ultimately, that upon heating about 10 mg of the trans-diammine to  $215 \pm 5^{\circ}$  for about 20 hr, 0.99 mol of ammonia was evolved per mole of diammine used. The weight loss occurring during this isothermal treatment agreed exactly with the quantity of ammonia determined by auto-

Table I. X-Ray Diffraction Pattern of Monoamminepalladium(II) Chloride

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 d, Å	$I/I_{\circ}$	d, Å	$I/I_{\circ}$	
 7.47	50	2.53	6	
5.99	100	2.49	21	
4.77	5	2.43	5	
3.71	12	2.327	4	
3.54	4	2.221	3	
3.40	36	2.205	5	
3.23	6	2.065	2	
3.17	10	1.997	5	
3.05	4	1.914	5	
2.99	$2^a$	1.774	3	
2.80	4	1.684	4 <sup>a</sup>	
2.65	3			

a Broad peak, may be an unresolved doublet.

matic titration. Clearly, the weight of product of the isothermal treatment at  $215\pm5^{\circ}$  corresponded to  $Pd(NH_3)\text{-}Cl_2$ . X-Ray diffraction analysis (Table I) of this material indicated it was highly crystalline; the diffraction pattern does not correspond to  $[Pd(NH_3)_4]Cl_2$ ,  $[Pd(NH_3)_2Cl_2]$ ,  $PdCl_2$ , or Pd. We tentatively concluded we obtained a new compound with empirical formula  $Pd(NH_3)Cl_2$ . Infrared analyses supported our conclusion. The tetraammine and the diammine show  $\delta_s(NH_3)$  at 1280 and 1240 cm $^{-1}$ , respectively, whereas for  $Pd(NH_3)Cl_2$ , this deformation appears at 1260 cm $^{-1}$ . Also,  $\rho_r(NH_3)$  occurs at 800 and 835 cm $^{-1}$  for the tetraammine and at 745 cm $^{-1}$  for both the diammine and the monoammine.

On heating 40 mg of dichlorodiamminepalladium(II) at  $215 \pm 5^{\circ}$  for 18 hr, the resulting monoamminepalladium(II) chloride was contaminated with 17 mol % (10 wt %) metallic palladium. (See footnote c of Table II.) The increased degree of reduction with increased sample size is attributed to higher concentrations of ammonia held within the sample, which, in turn, reduces the palladium chloride product to the metal. This observed role of sample size is similar to the behavior of ammonium zeolites during calcination wherein retention of ammonia by the sample induces labilization of chemical water in the zeolite, which, in turn, leads to hydrolysis of a portion of the tetracoordinate aluminum.  $^{5}$ 

Thermal Decomposition of  $Pd(NH_3)Cl_2$ . In Table II are tg data for the  $Pd(NH_3)Cl_2$  using approximately 10-mg samples. These samples were prepared *in situ* from the diammine by isothermal treatment at  $215 \pm 5^{\circ}$  for 20 hr.

The computed formula weight of 188.0 (Table II, run 1) indicates that this sample of monoammine palladium(II) chloride contains an impurity of 6.6 mol % (3.7 wt %) Pd. During the isothermal treatment at 215  $\pm$  5°, 0.12 mol of NH4Cl/mol of initial dichlorodiammine palladium(II) was evolved. The NH4Cl arises from the reduction of palladium-(II) to the metal; for each mole of NH4Cl produced, 0.5 mol of palladium is reduced to metal. Hence, from the NH4Cl evolved, the amount of palladium reduced is calculated to be 0.06 mol (0.12/2), in excellent agreement with the degree of reduction calculated from the computed formula weight.

On the basis of the results of run 2, Table II, we propose that the isothermal decomposition of the monoammine at  $260 \pm 5^{\circ}$  proceeds by the stoichiometry of (4). The NH<sub>4</sub>Cl

$$Pd(NH_3)Cl_2 \xrightarrow{260^{\circ}} {}^{1/_2}Pd + {}^{1/_2}PdCl_2 + {}^{1/_6}N_2 + {}^{2/_3}NH_4Cl + {}^{1/_3}HCl$$
 (4)

is formed from NH<sub>3</sub> and HCl gases evolved separately. When

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Table II. Thermal Decomposition of Pd(NH<sub>3</sub>)Cl<sub>2</sub><sup>a</sup>

	Heating rate and purge gas	Moles evolved/mole of Pd			Ash composition, mol%		H <sub>2</sub> reduction of ash, mol of HCl evolved/
Run		NH <sub>4</sub> Cl	HC1	FW of ashb	Pd	PdCl <sub>2</sub>	mol of Pd
1	5°/min, H, d	0.94	0.83	106.4	100.0		
2	260° for 18 hr, He	0.68		145.9	44.3	55.7	0.97
3	1°/min, He	0.48	0.74	130.3	66.3	33.7	0.82
4	30°/min, He	0.25	1.49	108.6	96.9	3.1	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Samples contained 94 mol %  $Pd(NH_3)Cl_2$  and 6 mol % Pd. <sup>b</sup> Computed from weight of Pd after complete reduction with  $H_2$ . <sup>c</sup> Computed from formula weight of ash (prior to  $H_2$  reduction): (106.4)(mol % Pd) + (177.3)(1 - mol % Pd) = 100(FW of ash). <sup>d</sup> Formula weight of initial sample, 188.0, computed from formula weight and mass of ash (Pd); calculated for  $Pd(NH_3)Cl_2$ , 194.0.

decomposition is performed by programmed heating as indicated in run 3, the  $NH_3$  concentration in the sample and gas stream is increased and reaction 5 is induced. At high

$$PdCl_{2} + NH_{3} \xrightarrow{1^{\circ}/min} Pd + {}^{1}/{}_{3}N_{2} + {}^{1}/{}_{3}NH_{4}Cl + 1 {}^{2}/{}_{3}HCl$$
 (5)

heating rates (30°/min, run 4), reaction 4 is followed immediately by reaction 5 to give the *overall* stoichiometry of reaction 6.

$$Pd(NH_3)Cl_2 \xrightarrow{30^{\circ}/min} Pd + {}^{1}/{}_{3}N_2 + {}^{1}/{}_{3}NH_4Cl + 1\,{}^{2}/{}_{3}HCl$$
 (6)

The stoichiometry of eq 2 proposed by Wendlandt and Fumes,<sup>3</sup> in which 0.8 mol of HCl and 1.2 mol of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl are evolved per mole of *trans*-dichlorodiamminepalladium-(II), would be expected if eq 3-5 are occurring more or less simultaneously. Our results indicate that little ammonia cracking (to yield  $N_2$  and  $H_2$ ) is occurring.

We have also found that monoammineplatinum(II) chloride can be prepared similarly and we are investigating its preparation by several routes.

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