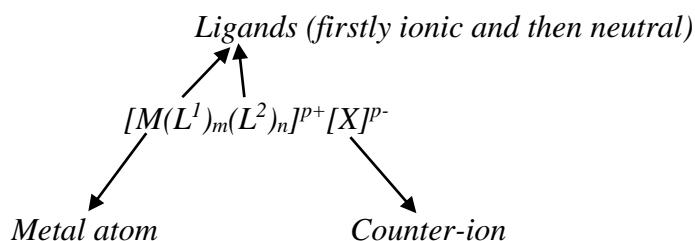


NOMENCLATURE OF COORDINATION COMPLEXES



1. First cations, then anions
 2. Sequence of metal atom and ligand names: First ligands in alphabetical order, then the metal atom

Dichloro[diphenylphosphine(thiourea)platinum(II)]

- ### **3. Number of ligands in a coordination entity**

- a) *di, tri, tetra, penta, hexa, hepta...*
 - b) *bis, tris, tetrakis, pentakis...*

Two kinds of numerical prefix are available for indicating the number of each kind of ligand within the name of the coordination entity. The simple di-, tri-, etc., derived from cardinal numerals, are generally recommended. The prefixes bis-, tris-, tetrakis-, derived from ordinals, are used with complex expressions.

Dibromobis(trimethylsilyl)platin(II)

Tetrakis(trifenilfosfin)platin(0)

Ethylenediamine is a bidentate ligand, the bis- prefix is used instead of di-

- #### **4. Terminations for names of coordination entities**

- a) All anionic coordination entities take the ending-ate.
 - b) No distinguishing termination is used for cationic or neutral coordination entities.

$[PtCl_4]^{2-}$ tetrakloroplatinat(II)

[Fe(CO)₄]²⁻ tetrakarbonilferrat(-II)

- c) As an exception, some metals have different anionic names.

<i>Metal</i>	<i>Name in anionic complex</i>
Iron (<i>Fe</i>)	<i>Ferrate</i>
Copper (<i>Cu</i>)	<i>Cuprate</i>
Lead(<i>Pb</i>)	<i>Plumbate</i>
Silver (<i>Ag</i>)	<i>Arjentate</i>
Gold (<i>Au</i>)	<i>Aurate</i>
Tin (<i>Sn</i>)	<i>Stannate</i>

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5. Charge numbers, oxidation numbers, and ionic proportions

When the oxidation number of the metal atom can be defined without ambiguity, it may be indicated by appending a roman numeral to the metal atom name. This number is enclosed in parentheses after the part of the name denoting the metal atom. No positive sign is used.

Dichloro[diphenylphosphine(thiourea)platinum(II)]

- a) Stock system: Number of oxidation of metal ion is given by a Roman numeral
- b) Ewing-Basset system: Number of oxidation of metal ion is given by an Arabic numeral

$K_4[Fe(CN)_6]$

Potassium hexacyanoferrate(II) (Stock)

Potassiumhexacyanoferrate(4-) (Ewing-Basset)

$[PtCl_4]^{2-}$

Tetrachloroplatinate(II)

Tetrachloroplatinat(2-)

The haptic symbol, η , with a numerical superscript, provides a topological description by indicating the connectivity between the ligand and the central atom. For example, if all the five carbon atoms of a cyclopentadienyl moiety are equidistant from a metal atom, we term it as η^5 -cyclopentadienyl.

Examples: η^1 -R, η^1 -Ar, η^2 -C₂R₄, η^1 -allyl, η^3 -allyl, η^4 -Cb, η^5 -Cp, η^6 -C₆H₆, η^8 -C₈H₈, η^2 -C₆₀, η^5 -R₅C₆₀.

The symbol μ indicates bridging; normally we have μ^2 and rarely μ^3 bridging.

Examples: μ^2 -CO, μ^3 -CO, μ^2 -CH₃, μ^2 -H, μ^2 -Cl, μ^3 -Cl, μ^2 -OR, μ^2 -PR₂, μ^2 -NR₂

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Some examples

$[Ru(HSO_3)_2(NH_3)_4]$	Tetraamminebis(hydrogensulfito)ruthenium(II)
$[CuCl_2(NH_3)_2]$	Diamminedichlorocopper(II)
$[Cu(NH_3)_4]SO_4$	Tetraamminecopper(II) sulfate
$K_3[Fe(CN)_6]$	Potassium hexacyanoferrate(III)
$[Ti(H_2O)_6][CoCl_6]$	Hexaaquatitanium(III) hexachlorocobaltate(III)
$K[PtCl_3(C_2H_4)]$	Potassium η^2 -ethylenetrichloroplatinum(II)
$[Cr(en)_3]^{3+}$	Tris(ethylenediamine)chromium(III)
$K_2[Ni(CN)_4]$	Potassium tetracyanonickelate(II)
$[Zn(NCS)_4]^{2-}$	Tetraisothiocyanatozincate(II)
$[Co(SCN)_2(NH_3)_4]_2SO_4$	Tetraamminedithiocyanatocobalt(III) sulfate
$[Au(CN)_4]^-$	Tetracyanoaurate(III)
$[Co(NH_3)_6]Cl_3$	Hexaamminecobalt(III) chloride
$[CoCl(NH_3)_5]Cl_2$	Pentaamminechlorocobalt(2+) chloride
$[PtCl(NH_2CH_3)(NH_3)_2]Cl$	Tetraamminechloro(methylamine)platinum(II) chloride
$[CuCl_2\{O=C(NH_2)_2\}_2]$	Dichlorobis(urea)copper(II)
$K_2[PdCl_4]$	Potassium tetrachloropalladate(II)
$Na[PtBrCl(NO_2)(NH_3)]$	Sodium amminebromochloronitrito-N-platinato(II)
$[Co(OH_2)_2(NH_3)_4]Cl_3$	Diakuatetraamminecobalt(III) chloride
$[Pt(NH_3)_5Cl]Br_3$	Pentaamminechloroplatinum(IV) bromide
$[Pt(H_2NCH_2CH_2NH_2)_2Cl_2]Cl_2$	Dichlorobis(ethylenediamine)platinum(IV) chloride
$[Co(H_2NCH_2CH_2NH_2)_3]_2(SO_4)_3$	Tris(ethylenediamine)cobalt(III) sulfate
$Na_2[NiCl_4]$	Sodium tetrachloronickelate(II)
$Pt(NH_3)_2Cl_4$	Diamminetetrachloroplatinum(IV)
$Fe(CO)_5$	Pentacarbonyliron(0)
$(NH_4)_2[Ni(C_2O_4)_2(H_2O)_2]$	Ammonium diaquabis(oxalato)nickelate(II)
$[Ag(NH_3)_2][Ag(CN)_2]$	Diamminesilver(I) dicyanoargentate(I)
$[Fe(NH_3)_6][Cr(CN)_6]$	Hexaammineiron(III) hexacyanochromate (III)
$[CoBr(NH_3)_5]SO_4$	Pentaamminebromocobalt(III) sulfate
$[Co(SO_4)(NH_3)_5]^+$	Pentaamminesulfatocobalt(III) ion
$[Fe(OH)(H_2O)_5]^{2+}$	Pentaquahydroxoiron(III) ion

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<i>Triaquatriamminechromium(III) chloride</i>	$[Cr(NH_3)_3(H_2O)_3]Cl_3$
<i>Diaquabromofloroiodochlorochromate(III)</i>	$[CrBrFICl(H_2O)_2]^-$
<i>Hexaamminechromium(III) hexachloroiridate(III)</i>	$[Cr(NH_3)_6][IrCl_6]$
<i>Potassium amminedioxoperoxodicyanochromate(VI)</i>	$K_2[Cr(CN)_2O_2(O_2)NH_3]$
<i>Tetraamminesulfatocobalt(III) nitrate</i>	$[CoSO_4(NH_3)_4]NO_3$
<i>Lithium tetrahydroaluminate(III)</i>	$Li[AlH_4]$
<i>Potassium pentacyanonitrosilferrate(II)</i>	$K_3[Fe(CN)_5NO]$
<i>Sodium pentachloronitridoosmate(VI)</i>	$Na[OsCl_5N]$
<i>Sodium bis(thiosulfato)argentate(I)</i>	$Na_3[Ag(S_2O_3)_2]$
<i>Dichlorobis(methylamine)cupper(II)</i>	$[CuCl_2(CH_3NH_2)_2]$
<i>Hexaammineiron(III) nitrate</i>	$[Fe(NH_3)_6](NO_3)_3$
<i>Ammonium tetrachlorocuprate(II)</i>	$(NH_4)_2[CuCl_4]$
<i>Sodium monochloropentacyanoferrate(III)</i>	$Na_3[FeCl(CN)_5]$
<i>Potassium hexafluorocobaltate(III)</i>	$K_3[CoF_6]$