

4-Chloro-3-nitrobenzonitrile

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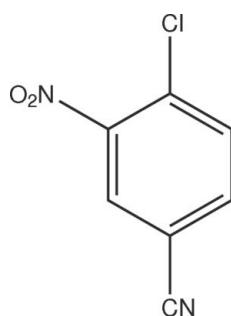
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 294$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007$ Å;
 R factor = 0.073; wR factor = 0.182; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.8.

In the title compound, C₇H₃ClN₂O₂, the Cl, C and N atoms are coplanar with the aromatic ring. In the crystal structure, weak intermolecular C—H···O and C—H···N hydrogen bonds link the molecules. The π — π contact between the benzene rings, [centroid–centroid distances = 3.912 (3) Å] may further stabilize the structure.

Related literature

For a related structure, see: Sun & Wang (2006). For bond-length data, see: Allen *et al.* (1987).



Experimental

Crystal data

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 $M_r = 182.56$

Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 7.2260 (14)$ Å

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 $T_{\min} = 0.878$, $T_{\max} = 0.957$
1540 measured reflections

1418 independent reflections
1000 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.052$
3 standard reflections
frequency: 120 min
intensity decay: none

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.073$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.182$
 $S = 1.00$
1418 reflections

103 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.27$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.33$ e Å⁻³

Table 1
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

D—H···A	D—H	H···A	D···A	D—H···A
C2—H2A···O1 ⁱ	0.93	2.48	3.288 (7)	145
C5—H5A···N2 ⁱⁱ	0.93	2.61	3.497 (7)	159

Symmetry codes: (i) $x, y + 1, z$; (ii) $-x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 2$.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* and *PLATON*.

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S1. Comment

Some derivatives of pyridine are important chemical materials. We report herein the crystal structure of the title compound.

In the molecule of the title compound (Fig 1), the bond lengths (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and angles are within normal ranges. Ring A (C1-C6) is, of course, planar. Atoms Cl, C7, N1 and N2 are -0.040 (3), -0.049 (3), 0.005 (3) and 0.036 (3) Å away from the plane of the benzene ring.

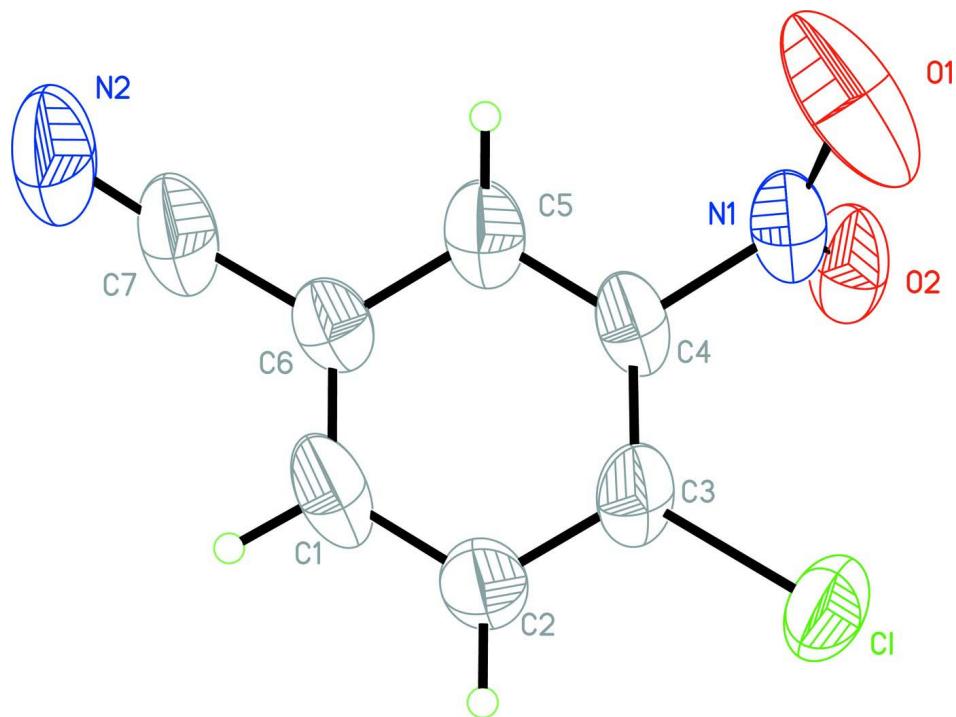
In the crystal structure, weak intermolecular C-H···O and C-H···N hydrogen bonds (Table 1) link the molecules (Fig. 2), in which they may be effective in the stabilization of the structure. The π - π contact between the benzene rings, Cg1—Cg1ⁱ [symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, -z, where Cg1 is centroid of the ring A (C1-C6)] may further stabilize the structure, with centroid-centroid distance of 3.912 (3) Å.

S2. Experimental

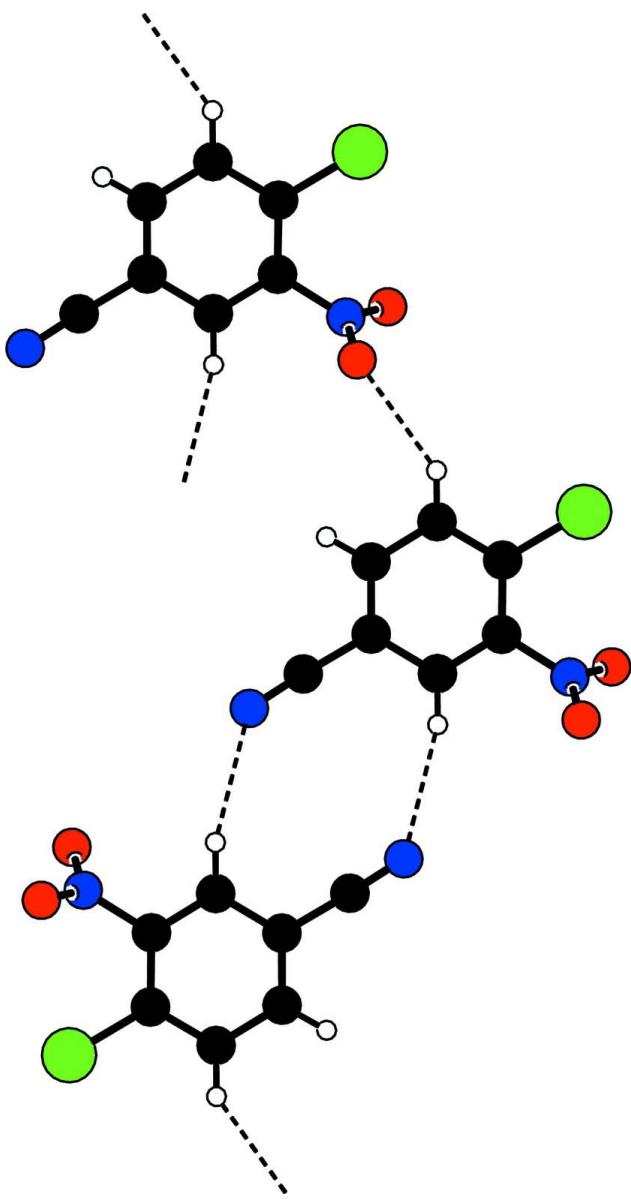
For the preparation of the title compound, 4-chloro-3-nitrobenzamide (33.9 g, 0.17 mol) was suspended in phosphorus oxychloride (150 ml). The temperature was controlled at 333 K for 6 h, and then it was put into ice water (500 ml). It was filtered and the colorless precipitate was washed (yield; 28.2 g) (Sun *et al.*, 2006). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of a methanol solution.

S3. Refinement

H atoms were positioned geometrically, with C-H = 0.93 Å for aromatic H and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C).

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title molecule, with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

**Figure 2**

A partial packing diagram of the title compound. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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$\beta = 91.86 (3)^\circ$

$\gamma = 107.22 (3)^\circ$

$V = 387.32 (18)$ Å³

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Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
map
Hydrogen site location: inferred from
neighbouring sites
H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.060P)^2 + 0.880P]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.27\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.33\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R -factor wR and goodness of fit S are based on F^2 , conventional R -factors R are based on F , with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R -factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. R -factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F , and R -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Cl	0.08801 (17)	0.32257 (19)	0.5711 (2)	0.0767 (5)
O1	0.3498 (8)	0.0413 (6)	0.7577 (7)	0.1159 (19)
O2	0.2991 (5)	0.0203 (5)	0.4775 (6)	0.0819 (12)
N1	0.3567 (5)	0.1130 (5)	0.6413 (6)	0.0590 (10)
N2	1.0736 (7)	0.7724 (7)	1.0090 (8)	0.0942 (17)
C1	0.6103 (7)	0.7170 (6)	0.8157 (7)	0.0652 (12)
H1A	0.6681	0.8512	0.8556	0.077*
C2	0.4139 (6)	0.6306 (6)	0.7290 (7)	0.0602 (12)
H2A	0.3418	0.7057	0.7106	0.072*
C3	0.3307 (6)	0.4305 (6)	0.6717 (6)	0.0560 (12)
C4	0.4384 (6)	0.3252 (6)	0.7025 (6)	0.0502 (11)
C5	0.6290 (6)	0.4094 (6)	0.7883 (6)	0.0581 (12)
H5A	0.7001	0.3352	0.8108	0.070*

C6	0.7137 (6)	0.6118 (6)	0.8413 (6)	0.0478 (10)
C7	0.9133 (7)	0.7033 (7)	0.9310 (8)	0.0718 (15)

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Cl	0.0388 (6)	0.0651 (8)	0.1075 (11)	0.0117 (5)	0.0161 (6)	0.0143 (7)
O1	0.187 (5)	0.048 (2)	0.111 (4)	0.028 (3)	0.076 (3)	0.031 (2)
O2	0.064 (2)	0.047 (2)	0.098 (3)	0.0060 (16)	0.015 (2)	-0.007 (2)
N1	0.046 (2)	0.038 (2)	0.078 (3)	0.0103 (16)	0.027 (2)	0.005 (2)
N2	0.059 (3)	0.068 (3)	0.110 (4)	-0.004 (2)	-0.001 (3)	-0.001 (3)
C1	0.062 (2)	0.034 (3)	0.078 (3)	0.005 (2)	0.031 (2)	0.004 (2)
C2	0.046 (2)	0.048 (3)	0.079 (3)	0.018 (2)	0.022 (2)	0.011 (2)
C3	0.037 (2)	0.047 (2)	0.068 (3)	0.0102 (19)	0.027 (2)	0.003 (2)
C4	0.044 (2)	0.032 (2)	0.065 (3)	0.0098 (17)	0.033 (2)	0.0069 (19)
C5	0.043 (2)	0.042 (2)	0.071 (3)	0.0143 (19)	0.020 (2)	-0.001 (2)
C6	0.047 (2)	0.039 (2)	0.053 (2)	0.0128 (18)	0.0204 (19)	0.0112 (18)
C7	0.050 (3)	0.048 (3)	0.088 (4)	0.004 (2)	0.016 (3)	0.001 (3)

Geometric parameters (\AA , ^\circ)

Cl—C3	1.726 (4)	C4—C3	1.354 (6)
N1—O1	1.213 (6)	C4—C5	1.370 (6)
N1—O2	1.214 (5)	C5—C6	1.406 (6)
C1—H1A	0.9300	C5—H5A	0.9300
C2—C1	1.407 (7)	C6—C1	1.316 (6)
C2—C3	1.386 (6)	C6—C7	1.434 (7)
C2—H2A	0.9300	C7—N2	1.166 (6)
C4—N1	1.466 (5)		
O1—N1—O2	124.2 (4)	C2—C3—Cl	118.9 (4)
O1—N1—C4	117.9 (4)	C4—C3—Cl	121.5 (3)
O2—N1—C4	117.9 (4)	C4—C3—C2	119.5 (4)
C1—C2—H2A	120.9	C3—C4—N1	121.1 (4)
C1—C6—C5	120.8 (4)	C3—C4—C5	122.2 (4)
C1—C6—C7	120.3 (4)	C5—C4—N1	116.6 (4)
C2—C1—H1A	119.4	C4—C5—C6	117.8 (4)
C6—C1—C2	121.3 (4)	C4—C5—H5A	121.1
C6—C1—H1A	119.4	C6—C5—H5A	121.1
C3—C2—C1	118.3 (4)	C5—C6—C7	118.8 (4)
C3—C2—H2A	120.9	N2—C7—C6	176.8 (6)
C3—C2—C1—C6	0.4 (7)	C5—C4—C3—Cl	-177.5 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	0.9 (7)	N1—C4—C3—Cl	3.8 (6)
C1—C2—C3—Cl	178.2 (4)	C3—C4—C5—C6	-1.4 (7)
C3—C4—N1—O1	-120.7 (5)	N1—C4—C5—C6	177.3 (4)
C5—C4—N1—O1	60.6 (6)	C4—C5—C6—C1	2.6 (7)
C3—C4—N1—O2	58.9 (5)	C4—C5—C6—C7	-179.8 (4)

C5—C4—N1—O2	−119.8 (5)	C5—C6—C1—C2	−2.1 (7)
C5—C4—C3—C2	−0.3 (7)	C7—C6—C1—C2	−179.6 (5)
N1—C4—C3—C2	−179.0 (4)		

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