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Solvothermal In-situ Synthesis of Cyanide-contained Ternary Silver(I) Coordination Polymers and their Phosphorescent Properties

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Table S1. Selected bond length (Å) and angles (°) for **1**, **2**, **3**, **4**

1			
Ag1–N1	2.226(10)	Ag1–C5	2.083(13)
Ag1–N5 ⁱ	2.318(12)	Ag2–N3	2.171(11)
Ag2–N6 ⁱⁱ	2.166(10)	Ag3–N2	2.162(12)
Ag3–N4	2.165(12)	Ag3–N7 ⁱⁱⁱ	2.630(14)
N7–C5	1.122(19)		
N1–Ag1–C5	137.7(5)	N1–Ag1–N5 ⁱ	95.2(4)
N5 ⁱ –Ag1–C5	126.8(5)	N3–Ag2–N6 ⁱⁱ	165.9(5)
N2–Ag3–N4	171.0(4)		
2			
Ag1–N1	2.127(3)	Ag2–N2	2.191(3)
Ag2–C7/N4	2.126(4)	Ag2–N3 ^{iv}	2.261(3)
C7–N4	1.118(7)		
N1–Ag1–N1 ^v	153.27(11)	N2–Ag2–C7/N4	128.00(14)
N2–Ag2–N3 ^{iv}	115.00(10)	N3 ^{iv} –Ag2–C7/N4	116.67(13)
3			
Ag1–N1	2.075(11)	Ag1–C18 ^{vi}	2.026(14)
Ag2–N2	2.201(11)	Ag2–N4	2.182(10)
Ag2–N7	2.118(11)	Ag3–N3	2.231(10)
Ag3–N5	2.234(11)	Ag3–N8	2.173(12)
Ag4–N6	2.082(10)	Ag4–C17 ^{vii}	2.057(13)
N7–C17	1.143(17)	N8–C18	1.149(18)
N1–Ag1–C18 ^{vi}	174.8(5)	N2–Ag2–N4	117.4(4)
N2–Ag2–N7	119.9(4)	N4–Ag2–N7	122.1(4)
N3–Ag3–N5	117.4(4)	N3–Ag3–N8	121.3(4)
N5–Ag3–N8	116.9(4)	N6–Ag4–C17 ^{vii}	174.4(5)
4			
Ag1–N2	2.074(10)	Ag1–N4	2.083(8)
Ag2–N5	2.350(8)	Ag2–C18/N8	2.085(11)
Ag2–N6 ^{viii}	2.165(8)	Ag3–N1	2.220(10)
Ag3–C17/N7	2.066(16)	Ag3–N3 ^{ix}	2.225(10)
C17–N7	1.14(2)	C18–N8	1.15(2)
N2–Ag1–N4	178.0(3)	N5–Ag2–C18	111.2(4)
N5–Ag2–N6 ^{viii}	105.0(3)	N6 ^{viii} –Ag2–C18	143.8(4)
N1–Ag3–C17	128.1(5)	N1–Ag3–N3 ^{ix}	105.3(4)
N3 ^{ix} –Ag3–C17	126.6(5)		

Symmetry code used: i: -x, 1-y, 2-z; ii: 1+x, 1+y, -1+z; iii: -1+x, 1+y, z; iv: 1/2-x, 1/2-y, 1-z; v: -x, y, 3/2-z; vi: 2-x, -1/2+y, 1/2-z; vii: 1-x, 1/2+y, 3/2-z; viii: 1/2-x, -1/2+y, z; ix: 1/2-x, 1/2+y, z

Fig. S1. the PXRD patterns for **1** (a), **2** (b), **3** (c), **4** (d) compared with its simulated one (I: the simulated data from CIF, II: the solvothermal in-situ product, III: the product obtained using AgCN as the source.)

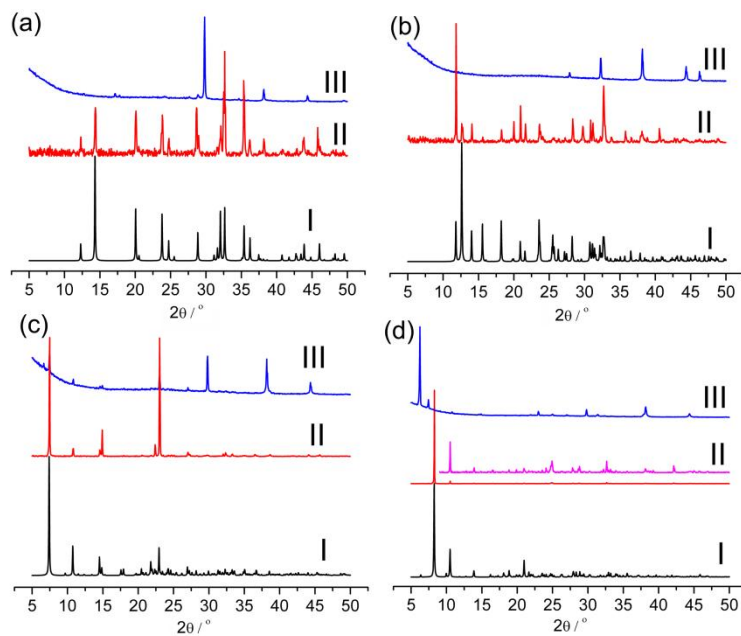


Fig. S2. the IR spectra of **1**, **2**, **3**, **4** and $[\text{Ag}_3(\text{dmtrz})_2\text{CN}]_n$ showing characteristic absorption bands of CN- group

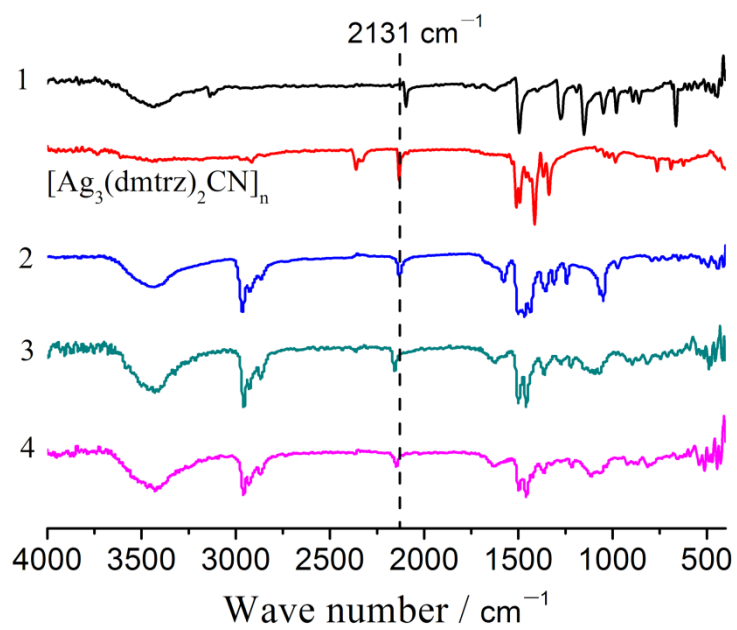


Fig. S3. the TGA data of **1(a)**, **2(b)**, **3(c)**, **4(d)** and $[\text{Ag}_3(\text{dmtrz})_2(\text{CN})]_n$.

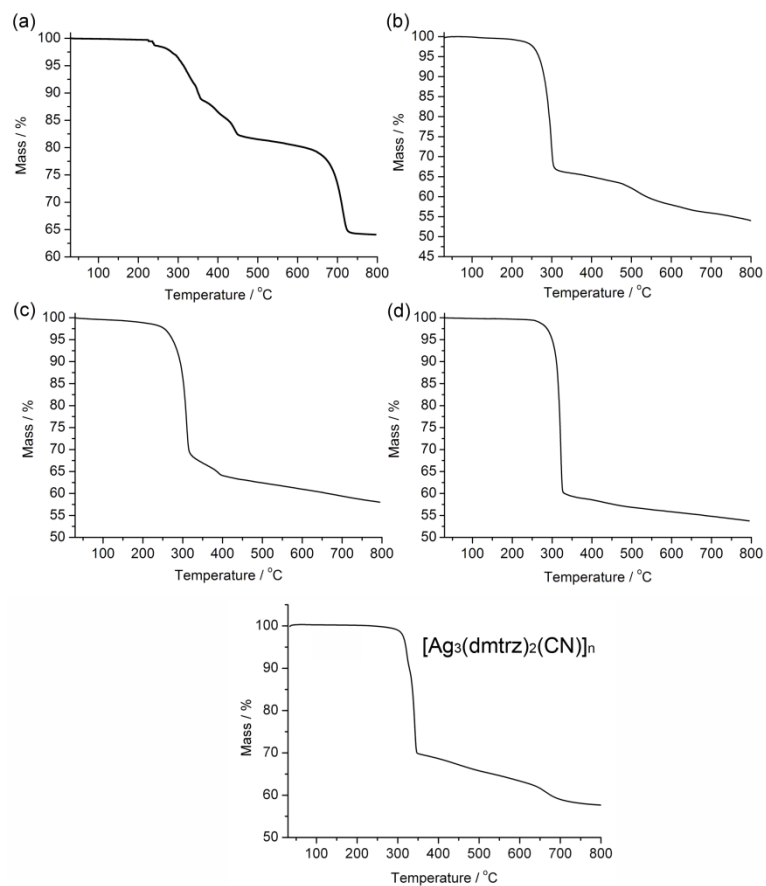


Fig. S4. (a) the 2D layer structure of **1** generated by connecting neighboring 1D chain structures through Ag(3)⋯N(7) interactions (*ca.* distance 2.603 Å); (b) 3D packing structure generated by connecting neighboring 2D layers through argentophilic interactions

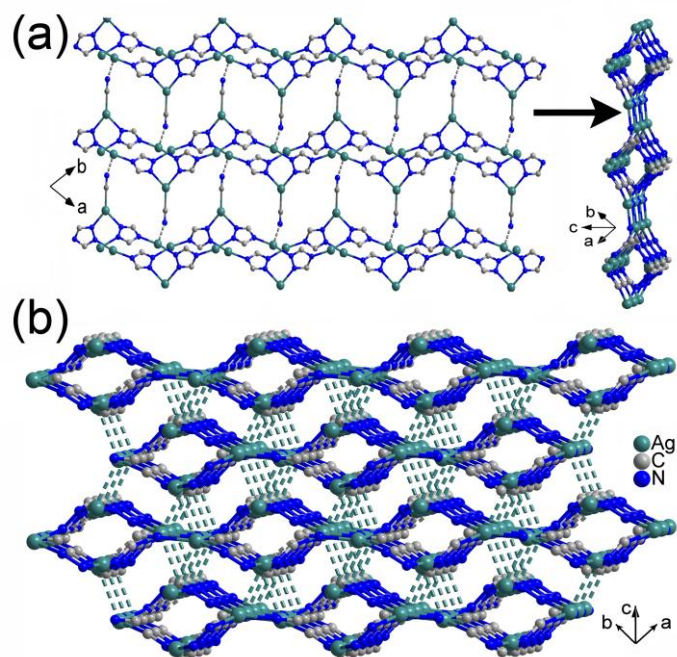


Fig. S5. the phosphorescent property of **1** (dot-line: excitation spectra; red solid-line: emission spectra at room temperature, blue solid-line: emission spectra at 77K)

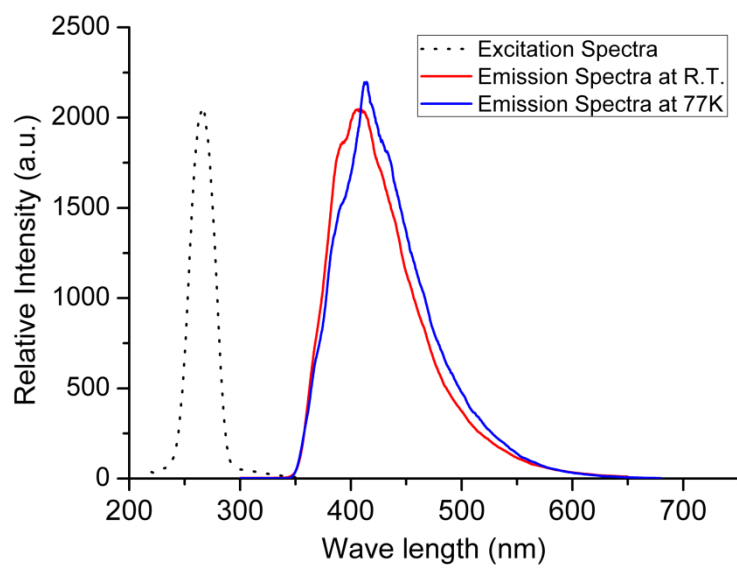


Fig. S6. the phosphorescent property of **2** (dot-line: excitation spectra; red solid-line: emission spectra at room temperature, blue solid-line: emission spectra at 77K)

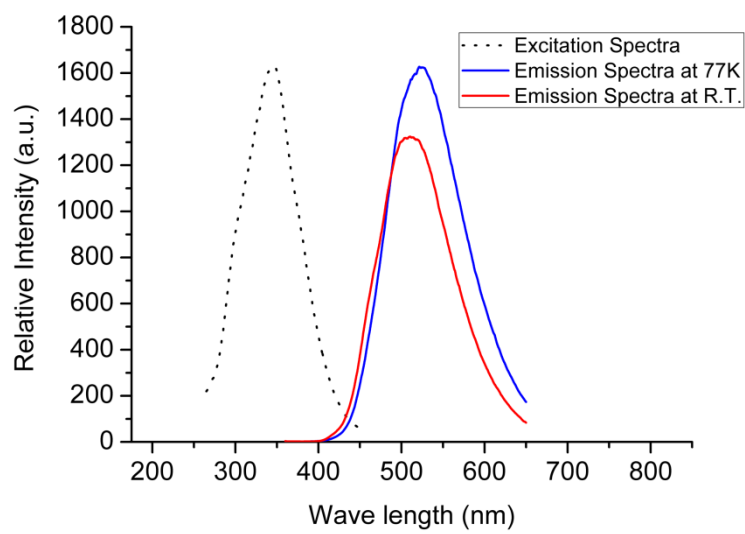


Fig. S7. the phosphorescent property of **3** (red solid-line: emission spectra at room temperature, blue solid-line: emission spectra at 77K, excited by 340 nm)

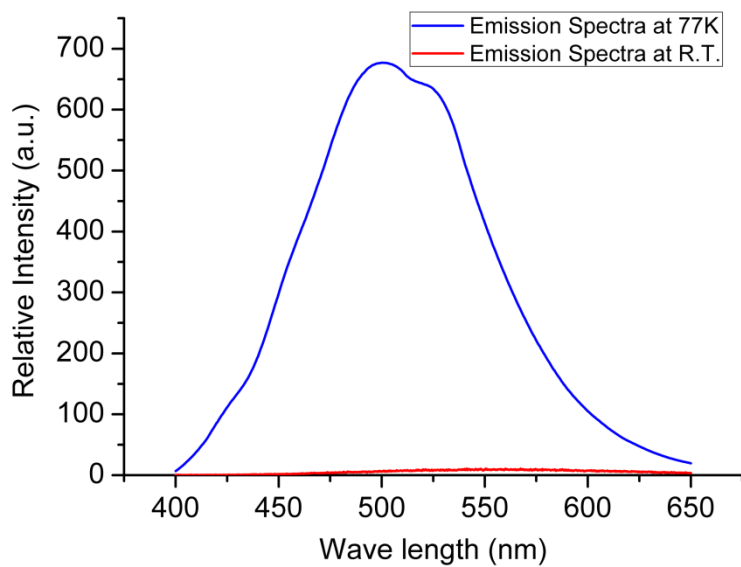


Fig. S8. the phosphorescent property of **4** (red solid-line: emission spectra at room temperature, blue solid-line: emission spectra at 77K, excited by 340 nm)

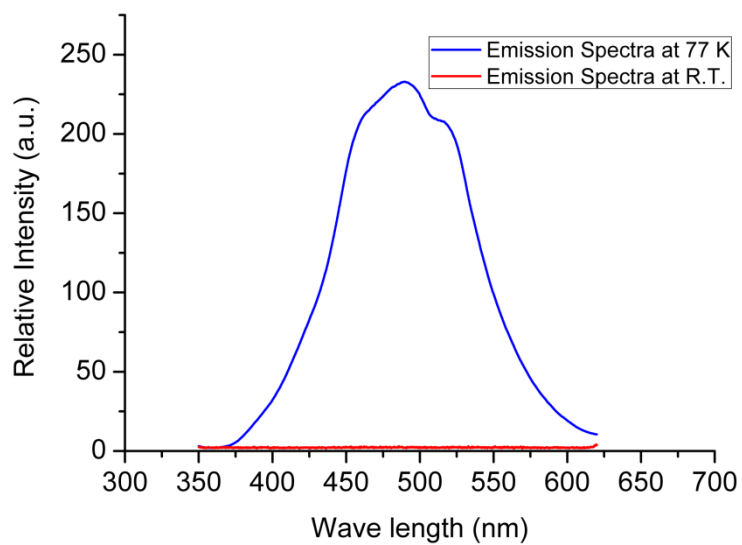


Fig. S9. Energy band structures and density of states (total and partial) of **1** (a and c) and $[\text{Ag}(\text{trz})]_n$ (b and d) (theoretical calculation of the electronic band structure of **1** and $[\text{Ag}(\text{trz})]_n$ along with density of states has been carried out with the DMol³ code. the Fermi level is set at 0 Ha. The calculated energy gaps for **1** and $[\text{Ag}(\text{trz})]_n$ are 0.151 and 0.149 Ha, respectively, which are very close. 1Ha = 27.2114 eV)

