

ted for by a root-mean-square amplitude of rotation of about  $15^\circ$ . This agrees well with the fact that the distance of O(2) to the mirror plane  $y = 2x$  can be changed from 0 to  $0.25 \text{ \AA}$  without significantly changing the value of  $(R/R_{\min})^{1/2}$ , as the plot of  $x$  for O(2) in Fig. 2 shows.

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## The Crystal Structure of $\text{Li}_2\text{Cu}_5(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)_2$ and the Proposal of New Values for the Effective Ionic Radii of $\text{Cu}^{2+}$

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Synthetic copper lithium silicate,  $\text{Li}_2\text{Cu}_5(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)_2$ , is triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$ , with  $a = 7.404$  (3),  $b = 7.754$  (2),  $c = 5.455$  (1)  $\text{Å}$ ,  $\alpha = 90.52$  (2),  $\beta = 106.27$  (2),  $\gamma = 114.64$  (3) $^\circ$ ,  $Z = 1$ . The structure was deduced from Patterson syntheses and refined to  $R = 0.040$  for 1203 observed reflexions. The structure contains  $\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$  pyrosilicate groups, three kinds of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  coordination polyhedra and one kind of trigonal bipyramidal coordinated  $\text{Li}^+$  ions. Cu(1) is in a square coplanar site, Cu(2) in an intermediate site between tetrahedral and square coplanar and Cu(3) in a distorted square pyramidal site. Based on the interionic distances between  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{O}^{2-}$  in the recently determined structures, the following new values for the effective ionic radii are proposed:  $\text{Cu}^{2+}(\text{IV})$ ,  $0.65 \text{ Å}$ ; (IV in IV + I or IV + II),  $0.67 \text{ Å}$ ; (I or II in IV + I or IV + II),  $>0.9 \text{ Å}$ .

#### Introduction

It is important, from the viewpoint of the coordination of divalent Cu ions, to investigate the crystal structure of copper silicates. Since natural specimens are frequently polycrystalline and very small, it is difficult to study them by X-ray single-crystal methods. Accordingly, the syntheses of these crystals are of substantial

importance. Kawamura, Kawahara & Henmi (1976) first succeeded in synthesizing plancheite and shattuckite, and also obtained two new phases of anhydrous sodium copper silicates. These new phases have been found neither as natural minerals nor as synthetic products. The structure of the one of the phases ( $\text{Na}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{12}$ ) was reported as a chain silicate (Kawamura & Kawahara, 1976), and that of the other

phase (Na<sub>2</sub>CuSi<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub>) as a Si—O pipe-like channel structure (Kawamura & Kawahara, 1977).

The present paper reports the crystal structure of another new phase, lithium copper silicate [Li<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>5</sub>(Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], which has been obtained by hydrothermal syntheses. New values of the ionic radii for Cu<sup>2+</sup>, based on these three and other recently investigated structural data, are also proposed.

Throughout the investigation, calculations were carried out at the Computer Center of Okayama University.

### Experimental

Synthesis of the title compound was carried out with test-tube-type apparatus (400–600°C, 1000 kg cm<sup>-2</sup>) with reagent mixtures of CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O, SiO<sub>2</sub>(gel) and Li<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> or CuO, SiO<sub>2</sub>(gel) and LiCO<sub>3</sub>. The chemical composition of this substance was determined by X-ray microprobe analyses.

The crystal of Li<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>5</sub>(Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>)<sub>2</sub> was bluish, about 0.1 mm in diameter with no apparent euhedral forms.

The powder diffraction data are listed in Table 1 (Cu K $\alpha$ :  $\lambda = 1.54178$  Å). The diffraction peak positions were corrected with reference to the  $\alpha$ -Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> peaks used as internal standards.

The lattice dimensions and diffraction symmetry were estimated from precession photographs. Three-dimensional intensity data were collected from an approximately spherical crystal with a diameter of 0.05 mm, on an automated four-circle diffractometer with the  $2\theta$ – $\theta$  scan technique, Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.70926$  Å) and a graphite monochromator. Intensities of 1315 reflections were collected up to  $2\theta = 56^\circ$ , among which 110 reflections have zero intensities because of  $I < 3\sigma$ .

The intensities were converted to the structure factors by applying the Lorentz–polarization correc-

Table 2. *Crystal data of Li<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>5</sub>(Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>)*

Space group: $P\bar{1}$	
$a = 7.404(3)$ Å	$\alpha = 90.52(2)^\circ$
$b = 7.754(2)$	$\beta = 106.27(2)$
$c = 5.455(1)$	$\gamma = 114.64(3)$
$D_x = 4.10$ g cm <sup>-3</sup>	$\mu(\text{Mo } K\alpha) = 105.5$ cm <sup>-1</sup>

tions. No absorption corrections were made because of the small spherical crystal form.

The crystal data are shown in Table 2.

### Structure determination and refinement

Three-dimensional Patterson syntheses were carried out, and the structure determination was attempted in the  $P\bar{1}$  space group. Positions of three kinds of Cu atoms were easily found from the maps. The positions of the Si and O atoms were found from  $D_{(F_o - F_c)}$  maps with the phases given by these Cu atoms. The position of the Li atom was obtained by further  $D_{(F_o - F_c)}$  maps calculated with three Cu, two Si and seven O positional parameters.

The parameters of all the atoms were refined to  $R = 0.054$  with a full-matrix least-squares program (Sakurai, 1971) and isotropic temperature factors. The anisotropic temperature factors of the Li atom did not converge in the course of the refinement. The procedure was continued with anisotropic temperature factors for Cu, Si and O atoms and isotropic ones for Li. The  $R$  factor was finally reduced to 0.040. Scattering factors corresponding to neutral atoms were used throughout the calculations (*International Tables for X-ray Crystallography*, 1974). The final atomic parameters are listed in Table 3.\*

\* Lists of structure factors and anisotropic thermal parameters have been deposited with the British Library Lending Division as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 33680 (13 pp.). Copies may be obtained through The Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

Table 1. *The X-ray powder data of Li<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>5</sub>(Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>)<sub>2</sub>*

$d_{\text{obs}}$	$I_{\text{obs}}$	$hkl$	$d_{\text{calc}}$
6.44 Å	22	1 0 0	6.394 Å
4.41	30	$\bar{1}$ 1 1	4.395
3.71	24	1 $\bar{1}$ 1	3.687
		$\bar{1}$ $\bar{1}$ 1	3.651
3.41	54	2 1 1	3.396
3.062	24	1 $\bar{2}$ 1	3.048
2.931	100	2 2 1	2.921
2.626	67	1 2 0	2.618
		2 $\bar{1}$ 1	2.615
2.507	19	1 $\bar{1}$ 2	2.501
2.395	17	2 0 1	2.406
2.348	26	3 2 1	2.348
		3 1 0	2.344
2.245	15	0 $\bar{3}$ 1	2.245
		0 2 2	2.240

Table 3. *Atomic positional parameters ( $\times 10^4$ ) with their standard deviations in parentheses*

	$x$	$y$	$z$
Cu(1)	0000(—)	0000(—)	0000(—)
Cu(2)	6126(1)	1832(1)	9184(1)
Cu(3)	4212(1)	2877(1)	3383(1)
Si(1)	7723(2)	1388(2)	5021(3)
Si(2)	2148(2)	4011(2)	7991(3)
Li	1143(12)	4513(11)	2448(14)
O(1)	2251(6)	0175(5)	3053(7)
O(2)	6523(6)	0387(5)	2078(7)
O(3)	6606(6)	2615(5)	5886(7)
O(4)	1876(6)	2638(5)	0273(7)
O(5)	0160(5)	2834(5)	5353(7)
O(6)	8200(6)	4215(5)	1041(7)
O(7)	4146(4)	4527(5)	7047(7)

## Description of the structure

The crystal structure of  $\text{Li}_2\text{Cu}_5(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)_2$  contains  $(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7)$  pyrosilicate groups, three types of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  coordination polyhedra and one type of  $\text{Li}^+$ .

The surroundings of the  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  ions are illustrated in Fig. 1.  $\text{Cu}(1)$  is in an approximately square coplanar site,  $\text{Cu}(2)$  in a four-coordinated intermediate site between square coplanar and tetrahedral and  $\text{Cu}(3)$  in the 4 + 1 distorted and elongated square pyramidal site. The distortion of the  $\text{Cu}(3)$  coordination polyhedra is considered to be due to the relatively short  $\text{Cu}-\text{O}$  distance of an additional more weakly bonded O atom [ $\text{Cu}(3)-\text{O}(7) = 2.387 \text{ \AA}$ ]. The coordination polyhedra of  $\text{Cu}(1)$  and  $\text{Cu}(3)$  share their edges forming infinite chains along the direction  $[111]$ . The coordination polyhedra of  $\text{Cu}(2)$  also share edges. These shared edges are shorter than other unshared edges (Fig. 1).

$\text{Li}^+$  is surrounded by a trigonal bipyramidal arrangement of O atoms. The mean  $\text{Li}-\text{O}$  distance is  $2.145 \text{ \AA}$ , which corresponds to the octahedral  $\text{Li}-\text{O}$  distance.

In the  $\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$  group (Fig. 2), the bridging angle [ $\text{Si}(1)-\text{O}(5)-\text{Si}(2)$ ] is  $130.2^\circ$ . This value is relatively small compared with that of other pyrosilicates. The

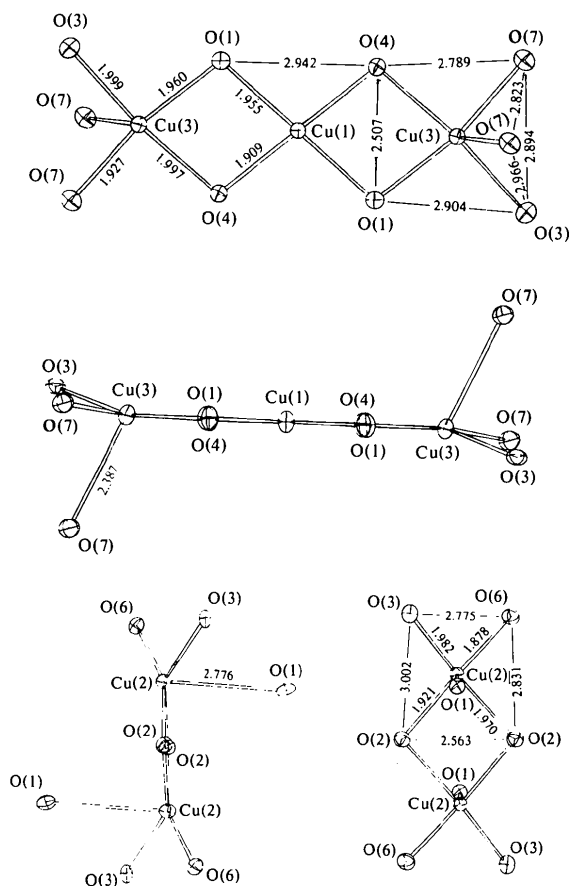


Fig. 1. The surroundings of  $\text{Cu}(1)$ ,  $\text{Cu}(2)$  and  $\text{Cu}(3)$ .

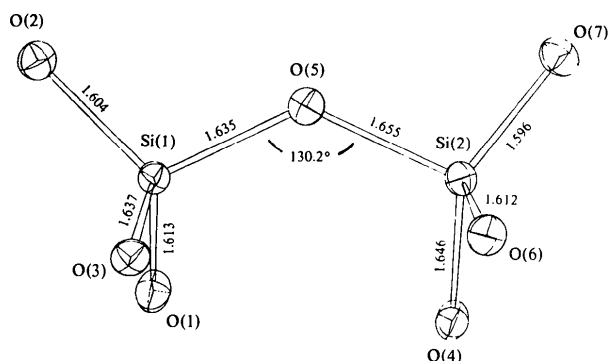


Fig. 2. The coordination of oxygen atoms around the two silicon atoms,  $\text{Si}(1)$  and  $\text{Si}(2)$ , in the  $\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$  group (distances in  $\text{Å}$ ).

$\text{Si}-\text{O}$  bridging bonds are significantly longer than those of the non-bridging bonds (Table 4), except for  $\text{Si}(1)-\text{O}(3)$  ( $1.637 \text{ \AA}$ ) and  $\text{Si}(2)-\text{O}(4)$  ( $1.646 \text{ \AA}$ ), which are longer than the bridging  $\text{Si}(1)-\text{O}(5)$  ( $1.635 \text{ \AA}$ ). This fact may be due to the strong covalent character of the  $\text{Cu}-\text{O}$  bonds.

Discussion on the ionic radii for  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ 

According to the table of effective ionic radii by Whittaker & Muntus (1970) [corrected values of Shannon & Prewitt (1969)] the value of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  (IV) ( $0.70 \text{ \AA}$ ) is almost the same as those of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  (IV) ( $0.71$

Table 4. *Interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) with their standard deviations in parentheses*

$\text{Cu}(1)-\text{O}(1) (\times 2)$	1.955(4)	$\text{O}(1)-\text{O}(4)$	2.507(6)	80.9(2)
$-\text{O}(4) (\times 2)$	1.909(3)	$-\text{O}(4)$	2.942(4)	99.1(2)
$\text{Cu}(2)-\text{O}(1)$	2.776(5)	$\text{O}(1)-\text{O}(3)$	2.646(6)	65.1(2)
$-\text{O}(2)$	1.970(4)	$\text{O}(2)-\text{O}(2')$	2.563(5)	82.4(1)
$-\text{O}(2')$	1.921(3)	$-\text{O}(6)$	2.832(5)	94.8(2)
$-\text{O}(3)$	1.982(4)	$\text{O}(2')-\text{O}(3)$	3.002(5)	100.5(1)
$-\text{O}(6)$	1.878(3)	$\text{O}(3)-\text{O}(6)$	2.775(5)	91.9(2)
$\text{Cu}(3)-\text{O}(1)$	1.960(3)	$\text{O}(1)-\text{O}(3)$	2.904(5)	94.4(2)
$-\text{O}(3)$	1.999(4)	$-\text{O}(4)$	2.507(6)	78.6(2)
$-\text{O}(4)$	1.997(4)	$\text{O}(3)-\text{O}(7)$	2.894(6)	94.9(2)
$-\text{O}(7)$	1.927(4)	$-\text{O}(7')$	2.966(7)	84.6(2)
$-\text{O}(7')$	2.387(4)	$\text{O}(4)-\text{O}(7)$	2.788(4)	90.6(2)
		$\text{O}(7)-\text{O}(7')$	2.823(6)	81.0(2)
$\text{Si}(1)-\text{O}(1)$	1.613(4)	$\text{O}(1)-\text{O}(2)$	2.659(5)	111.4(2)
$-\text{O}(2)$	1.604(4)	$-\text{O}(3)$	2.646(6)	109.0(2)
$-\text{O}(3)$	1.637(5)	$-\text{O}(5)$	2.611(5)	107.0(2)
$-\text{O}(5)$	1.635(4)	$\text{O}(2)-\text{O}(3)$	2.661(6)	110.4(2)
		$-\text{O}(5)$	2.651(4)	109.9(2)
		$\text{O}(3)-\text{O}(5)$	2.664(6)	109.0(2)
$\text{Si}(2)-\text{O}(4)$	1.646(4)	$\text{O}(4)-\text{O}(5)$	2.664(5)	107.6(2)
$-\text{O}(5)$	1.655(3)	$-\text{O}(6)$	2.568(6)	104.1(2)
$-\text{O}(6)$	1.612(5)	$-\text{O}(7)$	2.777(6)	117.9(2)
$-\text{O}(7)$	1.596(5)	$\text{O}(5)-\text{O}(6)$	2.616(5)	106.4(2)
		$-\text{O}(7)$	2.550(5)	103.3(2)
		$\text{O}(6)-\text{O}(7)$	2.732(7)	116.8(2)
$\text{Li}-\text{O}(3)$	2.141(7)			
$-\text{O}(3)$	2.192(11)			
$-\text{O}(5)$	2.151(9)	$\text{Si}(1)-\text{O}(5)-\text{Si}(2)$	130.2(3)	
$-\text{O}(6)$	2.008(9)			
$-\text{O}(6')$	2.233(9)			

Å), Pd<sup>2+</sup> (0.72 Å) or Pt<sup>2+</sup> (IV) (0.68 Å). But in comparison of the cell dimensions and interatomic distances of the following two isostructural pairs: BaCuSi<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub> (Pabst, 1959)—BaFeSi<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub> (Hazen & Burnham, 1975) and KNaCuSi<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub> (Pozas, Rossi & Tazzoli, 1975)—KNaFeSi<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub> (Golovachev, Drozdov, Kuz'min & Belov, 1971), it is evident that the effective ionic radii of Cu<sup>2+</sup> (IV) are significantly smaller than those of Fe<sup>2+</sup> (IV). There is further evidence that CuO has a more distorted structure than PdO and PtO. The mean interatomic distance of Cu—O (1.95 Å) is smaller than those of Pd—O (2.01 Å) or Pt—O (2.02 Å) (Moore & Pauling, 1941; Åsbrink & Norrby, 1970). This fact also suggests that the value for Cu<sup>2+</sup> (IV) is smaller than those of Pd<sup>2+</sup> or Pt<sup>2+</sup>.

Expected Cu—O distances deduced from the ionic radii of Whittaker & Muntus (1970) have the following

values (coordination numbers in parentheses): Cu<sup>2+</sup>—O<sup>2-</sup> (IV<sub>sq</sub>) 1.99, (V) 2.02, (VI) 2.10 Å, where the ionic radius of O<sup>2-</sup> for '3.5' coordination (1.29 Å) was adopted, because in the structures of the compounds in Table 5, the average coordination number of O<sup>2-</sup> is approximately 3.5. However, the following mean distances of Cu—O can be obtained from recently determined precise structural data (Table 5): Cu<sup>2+</sup>—O<sup>2-</sup> (IV) 1.94 ± 0.01, (IV in IV + I or IV + II) 1.96 ± 0.01, (I or II in IV + I or IV + II) > 2.2 Å. Because the Cu<sup>2+</sup> ion is hardly ever coordinated by regular or nearly regular octahedrally arranged O atoms, such a coordination state is not considered. Considering cation coordination around O<sup>2-</sup> in individual Cu—O bonds, the new effective ionic radii were calculated. The following ionic radii for Cu<sup>2+</sup>, therefore, are more suitable in the table of Whittaker & Muntus

Table 5. Recent Cu—O data

Chemical formula	Cu—O <sub>IV</sub> (Å)	Additional Cu—O (Å)	Coordination state	References	
Li <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>5</sub> (Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	(1)	1.932	IV <sub>sq</sub>	Present work	
	(2)	1.938	IV <sub>sq</sub> IV <sub>tet</sub>		
	(3)	1.971	IV + I		
Na <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	(1)	1.928	IV <sub>sq</sub>	Kawamura & Kawahara (1976)	
	(2)	1.940	IV <sub>sq</sub>		
	(3)	1.954	IV <sub>sq</sub>		
Na <sub>2</sub> CuSi <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	1.967	2.511	IV + I	Kawamura & Kawahara (1977)	
KNaCuSi <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	1.978	2.549	IV + I		
Cu <sub>6</sub> (Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub> )·6H <sub>2</sub> O	1.962	2.502, 2.648	IV + I + I	Ribbe, Gibbs & Hamil (1977)	
Cu <sub>5</sub> (SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	(1)	1.967	2.587	IV + II	Evans & Mrose (1977)
	(2)	1.995	2.310, 2.617	IV + I + I	
	(3)	1.919	2.692, (2.781)	IV + I	
Ca <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O	(1)	1.943	2.453	IV + I	Laughon (1971)
	(2)	1.964	2.240	IV + I	
CuSiF <sub>6</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O	(1)	2.074	2.074	VI <sub>oct</sub>	Ray, Zalkin & Templeton (1973)
	(2)	1.970	2.367	IV + II	
Li <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>2</sub> P <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	(1)	1.960	2.352, 2.452	IV + I + I	Läugt & Durif (1974)
	(2)	1.958	2.323, 2.427	IV + I + I	
K <sub>2</sub> Cu(PO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub>	1.971	2.432, 2.527	IV + II	Läugt, Tordjman, Bassi & Guitel (1974)	
Cu <sub>5</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>	(1)	1.946	(2.757)		IV <sub>sq</sub>
	(2)	1.964	2.395, (2.757)	IV + I	
	(3)	1.980	2.346, 2.493	IV + I + I	
Cu <sub>5</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> -II	(1)	1.949	(2.723)	IV <sub>sq</sub>	Anderson, Shoemaker, Kostiner & Ruszala (1977)
	(2)	1.962	2.296	IV + I	
	(3)	1.972	2.379, 2.466	IV + II	
Cu <sub>5</sub> V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	(1)	1.961	2.501, (2.852)	IV + I	Shannon & Calvo (1973)
	(2)	1.957	2.481, (2.702)	IV + I	
	(3)	1.965	2.287	IV + I	
	(4)	2.007	2.388, 2.492	IV + I + I	
	(5)	1.948	2.230	IV + I	
CuV <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	1.977	2.438	IV + II	Calvo & Manolescu (1973)	
Cu <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> (CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	(1)	1.938	IV <sub>sq</sub>	Zigan & Schuster (1972)	
	(2)	1.959	2.358, (2.761)		IV + I
Na <sub>2</sub> Cu(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·3H <sub>2</sub> O	1.970	2.362, 2.600	IV + I + I	Harlow & Simonsen (1975)	
K <sub>2</sub> Cu(C <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O	(1)	1.947	2.462	IV + II	Weichert & Löhn (1974)
	(2)	1.943	2.631	IV + II	
CuSe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	1.932	(2.725)	IV <sub>sq</sub>	Meunier, Svensson & Carpy (1976)	
CuTe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	1.957	2.305, (2.780)	IV + I	Hanke & Kupčik (1973)	
Cu <sub>3</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O	(1)	1.952	2.528	IV + II	Ghose & Wan (1974)
	(2)	1.953	2.456, 2.483	IV + II	
Ba <sub>2</sub> [Cu(OH) <sub>6</sub> ]	1.965	(2.805)	IV <sub>sq</sub>	Dubler, Korber & Oswald (1973)	

(1970):  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  (IV)  $0.65 \pm 0.01$ , (IV in IV + I or IV + II)  $0.67 \pm 0.01$ , (I or II in IV + I or IV + II)  $> 0.9 \text{ \AA}$ . In Shannon & Prewitt's (1969) table, these values are  $0.08 \text{ \AA}$  higher.

The  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  can substitute for some kinds of ions in regular octahedral and tetrahedral sites, and in such a case, the structures are frequently distorted. The spinel type compounds, with structural formula  $(\text{Fe}_{1-x}^{3+}, \text{Cu}_x^{2+})_{\text{tet}}(\text{Fe}_{1+x-y}^{3+}, \text{Cr}_y^{3+}, \text{Cu}_{1-x}^{2+})_{\text{oct}}\text{O}_4$ , permit continuous substitution between  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  in tetrahedral sites and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  in octahedral sites, and have tetragonally distorted structures about the two end compositions respectively, because of the distortion of the coordination polyhedra of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  (Delorme, 1958).

In general the  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  ion can substitute for the regular octahedral and tetrahedral cations when structural tolerance is obtained, and the following ions are listed as such cations:  $\text{Li}^+$  (IV),  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  (IV),  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  (IV),  $\text{Co}^{2+}$  (IV),  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  (IV),  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  (VI),  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  (VI),  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  (IV, VI),  $\text{Co}^{3+}$  (VI) and  $\text{Ni}^{3+}$  (VI). The above group of ions consists principally of some of the four-coordinated divalent and six-coordinated trivalent metal ions of the first transition series.

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