Discussion. Atomic coordinates of non-H atoms are in Table 1.* The atomic arrangement around Y is shown in Fig. 1. The atomic distances and angles are listed in Table 2.

The Y atom has nine oxygen neighbours, six from three bidentate nitrate groups and three from water molecules. The coordination polyhedron around Y can be described as a distorted pentagonal pyramid with three additional atoms from the other side of the base of the pyramid. The basal plane of the pyramid is defined by O11, O12, OW2, O31 and OW3. The distances of the atoms from the least-squares basal plane are 0.158(3), 0.195(3), 0.163(4),0.076(3) and 0.034(3) Å respectively. The apex of the pyramid is occupied by OW1 at a distance of 1.922 (4) Å from the basal plane. Y is displaced out of the basal plane by 0.404 (1) Å. Three additional atoms from the other side of the base are O21, O22 and O32 at distances of 2.461(3), 2.393(3) and 2.006(3) Å from the basal

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Structure of a Copper(III) Periodate Complex

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Tetrasodium potassium bis(periodato)-Abstract. cuprate dodecahydrate, $KNa_4[Cu(HIO_6)_2].12H_2O$, M_r = 858.60, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$, a = 6.119 (3), b =25.118 (8), c = 14.741 (5) Å, $\beta = 97.87$ (4)°, V =2244 · 15 Å³, $D_r = 2.560 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, λ (Mo K α) = $0.71069 \text{ Å}, \ \mu = 38.37 \text{ cm}^{-1}, \ F(000) = 1664, \ Z = 4,$ room temperature, R = 0.068 for 2991 independent reflections. The complex anion consists of two IO₅-(OH) octahedra, each sharing an edge with a squareplanar coordination around a Cu atom so as to form a planar $O_2-I-O_2-Cu-O_2-I-O_2$ network. The octahedra around the I atoms are distorted, and hydrogen bonds between anions are formed by the hydroxy groups located perpendicular to the network. Water

molecules are situated axial to the square-planarcoordinated copper at 2.708 (10) and 3.576 (10) Å.

Introduction. Copper(III) (d^8) complexes of general formula $M_x H_{7-x} [Cu(IO_6)_2] . nH_2O$ (M = K, Na) were first reported by Malaprade (1937). Malatesta (1941*a*,*b*) prepared a number of crystallizable compounds of this type by complexing copper with periodic acid, and it was evident that these compounds were much more stable than the trivalent copper compounds obtained previously. From chemical analysis, IR spectra and conductimetric measurements Balikungeri, Pelletier & Monnier (1977) showed that the anion of bis(periodato)cuprate(III) is $[Cu(HIO_6)_2]^{5-}$. The trivalent state of Cu was confirmed from magnetic measurements by Malatesta (1941*a*), and the diamagnetic character has also been confirmed by the present

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plane. All Y–O(water) distances [ave. $2 \cdot 325$ (4) Å] are shorter than Y–O(nitrate) distances [ave. $2 \cdot 432$ (4) Å]. In each nitrate group the non-coordinated O atom is closer to N than the other two, and the metal-bound O–N–O angles are significantly smaller than the other O–N–O angles, which is a common property of all bidentate nitrate groups. The Y atom lies in the plane of each nitrate group [max. dev. $0 \cdot 028$ (1) Å]. Dihedral angles formed by (NO₃)1 and (NO₃)2, (NO₃)1 and (NO₃)3, (NO₃)2 and (NO₃)3 are 73 \cdot 4 (2), 82 \cdot 4 (2) and $81 \cdot 7$ (2)° respectively. Water oxygen distances from the O atoms of neighbouring coordination polyhedra listed in Table 3 indicate possible hydrogen bonds which hold the coordination polyhedra in a threedimensional network (Fig. 2.).

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authors. The discovery by Bednorz & Müller (1986) of a new class of copper-containing ceramics which exhibit superconductivity to temperatures as high as

Table 1. Positional parameters $(\times 10^4)$ and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters $(Å^2 \times 100)$ with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

$$U_{\rm eq} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$$

	x	у	Ζ	U_{eq}
I(1)	5664 (1)	603 (0)	2856 (1)	1.03 (2)
1(2)	4171 (2)	2594 (0)	4699 (1)	1.24 (3)
Cu	4810 (3)	1602 (1)	3786 (1)	1-36 (5)
к	7322 (6)	2389 (1)	2110 (2)	3.1(1)
Na(1)	1982 (10)	1560 (2)	1596 (4)	2.3 (2)
Na(2)	9462 (9)	688 (2)	9702 (4)	2.6 (2)
Na(3)	9878 (9)	1295 (2)	7096 (4)	2.5 (2)
Na(4)	8738 (10)	613 (2)	4988 (3)	2.7 (2)
O(1)	6011 (15)	551 (3)	1637 (6)	1.5 (3)
O(2)	5231 (16)	-65 (3)	3141 (7)	2.2 (4)
O(3)	4852 (16)	876 (3)	4030 (6)	1.6(3)
O(4)	5567 (15)	1406 (3)	2677 (5)	1.4 (3)
O(5)	8589 (16)	647 (4)	3320 (6)	2.3 (4)
O(6)	2461 (15)	675 (4)	2379 (6)	1.6(3)
O(7)	5057 (17)	2308 (3)	3570 (6)	2.0(3)
O(8)	4002 (15)	1829 (3)	4882 (6)	1.7(3)
0(9)	3702 (16)	2727 (3)	5868 (6)	1.8 (3)
O(I0)	4883 (16)	3265 (3)	4373 (6)	2.0(3)
0(11)	7379 (16)	2491 (3)	5223 (6)	2.0 (4)
O(12)	1260 (17)	2615 (4)	4192 (6)	2.4 (4)
Ow(1)	527 (17)	1721 (4)	3061 (6)	2.6 (4)
Ow(2)	2974 (17)	972 (3)	327 (6)	2.2 (4)
Ow(3)	8369 (16)	1378 (4)	900 (6)	2.4 (4)
Ow(4)	5819 (18)	4616 (4)	4223 (7)	3.6 (4)
Ow(5)	8928 (17)	422 (4)	6612 (7)	2.7 (4)
Ow(6)	1387 (17)	2806 (4)	2084 (7)	3.0(4)
Ow(7)	8983 (18)	3532 (4)	3642 (6)	3.0 (4)
Ow(8)	2434 (18)	311 (4)	5183 (6)	3.0 (4)
Ow(9)	3489 (20)	1033 (4)	7667 (7)	4.4 (5)
Ow(10)	6212 (18)	3413 (5)	1631 (7)	4.0 (4)
Ow(11)	9822 (16)	1492 (4)	5337 (7)	3.1 (3)
Ow(12)	9666 (16)	70 (3)	1083 (6)	2.4 (4)

Table 2. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) (with e.s.d.'s in parentheses)

Cu-O(3)	1.858 (8)	Ow(1)-Cu-O(3)	99.8 (4)
Cu = O(4)	1.827 (8)	Ow(1)-Cu-O(4)	91.5 (4)
Cu-O(7)	1-811 (8)	Ow(1) - Cu - O(7)	85.6 (4)
Cu = O(8)	1.843 (9)	$O_{W}(1) - C_{U} - O(8)$	87.2 (4)
Cu = Ou(1)	2.708 (10)	Ow(11) - Cu - O(3)	79.2 (4)
Cu = Ow(11)	3.576 (10)	Ow(11) - Cu - O(4)	104-5 (4)
		Ow(11) - Cu - O(7)	96.0 (4)
O(3)-Cu-O(4)	84.8 (4)	Ow(11)CuO(8)	76.9 (4)
O(4) - Cu - O(7)	94.0 (4)	O(3) - Cu - O(7)	174.5 (5)
O(7) - Cu - O(8)	83.7 (4)	O(4) - Cu - O(8)	177.5 (4)
O(8)-Cu-O(3)	97-6 (4)	Ow(1)Cu-Ow(11)	163-7 (3)
I(1)-O(1)	1.850 (8)	O(5)-I(1)-O(1)	97.4 (4)
I(1) - O(2)	1.832 (8)	O(5) - I(1) - O(2)	95-6 (4)
I(1) - O(3)	1.962 (8)	O(5) - I(1) - O(3)	91.0 (4)
I(1) - O(4)	1.958 (8)	O(5)-1(1)-O(4)	92.4 (4)
I(1) - O(5)	1.826 (10)	O(6) - I(1) - O(1)	84.3 (4)
1(1) - O(6)	1.993 (9)	O(6) - I(1) - O(2)	88.0 (4)
		O(6) - I(1) - O(3)	86.5 (4)
O(1)-I(1)-O(2)	98-9 (4)	O(6) - I(1) - O(4)	83.7 (4)
O(2) - I(1) - O(3)	91.9 (4)	O(1)-I(1)-O(3)	165-6 (4)
O(3) - I(1) - O(4)	78.7 (4)	O(2)-I(1)-O(4)	167-8 (4)
O(4) - I(1) - O(1)	89-2 (4)	O(5)-I(1)-O(6)	175-7 (4)
I(2)-O(7)	1-956 (8)	O(11)I(2)O(7)	84-8 (4)
1(2)-O(8)	1.944 (8)	O(11)-I(2)-O(8)	83.6 (4)
I(2)-O(9)	1.816 (9)	O(11)-I(2)-O(9)	86-1 (4)
I(2) - O(10)	1.821 (8)	O(11)-I(2)-O(10)	88-0 (4)
1(2)-O(11)	2.025 (10)	O(12)-I(2)-O(7)	91-8 (4)
I(2) - O(12)	1.835 (10)	O(12)-I(2)-O(8)	91-0 (4)
		O(12)I(2)O(9)	96-3 (4)
O(7)-I(2)-O(8)	77-4 (4)	O(12)-I(2)-O(10)	96-9 (4)
O(8)-I(2)-O(9)	91-8 (4)	O(7)-I(2)-O(9)	166-7 (4)
O(9)-I(2)-O(10)	98-9 (4)	O(8)-I(2)-O(10)	165-9 (4)
O(10) - I(2) - O(7)	90.6 (4)	O(11) - I(2) - O(12)	174-1 (4)

92 K has caused a renewed interest in Cu-O coordinations.

Although a number of diamagnetic copper(III) complexes with the general formula given above have been reported, no complete structure determination has been pursued. In a short communication by Linek, Syneček, Jenšovský & Hadinec (1963), the space group and unit-cell dimensions for the compound Na₃-KH₃[Cu(IO₆)₂].14H₂O were given. They briefly described the copper coordination but no coordinates were given. As the unit-cell dimensions within error limits are the same as those found in the present study, however, it can be concluded that the correct stoichiometry and formula of the compound is KNa₄-[Cu(HIO₆)₂].12H₂O.

Experimental. Dark-brown crystals were obtained according to the procedure described by Balikungeri et al. (1977). Crystal selected for data collection $0.05 \times$ 0.02×0.015 mm. Systematic absences hol: l odd and 0k0: k odd indicated space group $P2_1/c$; unit cell: least-squares refinement of θ values of 15 selected diffractometer, Siemens Stoe/AED2 reflections. graphite monochromator, Mo $K\alpha$ radiation; intensity measurements up to $2\theta = 50^{\circ}$, $\theta - 2\theta$ scan technique, scan speed $0.02^{\circ} \text{ s}^{-1}(2\theta)$; 4060 reflections measured, 2991 intensities with $|F_o| \ge 3\sigma(|F_o|)$ considered as observed and used for the structure determination; corrections for Lorentz and polarization, but absorption ignored. Patterson and $\Delta \rho$ methods, refinement by full-matrix least squares on F. H positions from $\Delta \rho$ maps but not refined. Hydrogen isotropic



Fig. 1. The Cu¹¹¹ complex anion network in the title molecule.



Fig. 2. A stereoview of the crystal structure. The circles denote, in decreasing size, I, Cu, K, Na and O.

temperature factors $(0.020-0.042 \text{ Å}^2)$ equal to those of their parent atoms. Anisotropic temperature factors assigned to all non-H atoms in final cycles of refinement. Final R = 0.068 and wR = 0.050 using 2991 'observed' reflections for 289 refined parameters. $\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$ minimized with $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_o)$ where $\sigma^2(F_o) = \sigma_c^2 + 0.000054 |F_o|^2$ with σ_c from counting statistics. $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.01$. A final difference map showed residual fluctuations of -1.7 to 1.6 e Å^{-3} (especially close to the I atoms). Scattering factors from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1974). *SHELX* (Sheldrick, 1976) used for structure determination and refinement, *PLUTO* (Motherwell & Clegg, 1976) for figures.

Discussion. Final atom parameters are listed in Table 1, distances and angles in Table 2.* The structure is built up from $[Cu(HIO_6)_2]^{5-}$, K⁺, Na⁺ and crystal water. Two distorted IO₅(OH) octahedra are joined to a central CuO_4 square by edge sharing (see Fig. 1), forming a planar O₂-I-O₂-Cu-O₂-I-O₂ network. According to Hathaway & Hodgson (1973) a normal short Cu-O distance is about 2.00 Å but Cu-O distances of 1.90 Å are frequent in square-coplanar Cu complexes. In the present structure containing trivalent copper the average Cu-O distance is as short as 1.84 (2) Å. Inspection of the difference map indicated that the anion contains hydrogen bonds to O(5) and O(11) although the I(1)-O(5) bond, 1.826 (10) Å, is significantly shorter than the I(1)-O(6) bond, 1.993 (9) Å, in the opposite direction. Chains of anions are linked together by hydrogen bonds $O(5)-H\cdots O(6)$ and $O(11)-H\cdots O(12)$ in the direction of the *a* axis. The position of the H in the $O(5)\cdots O(6)$ bond may be considered, however, as somewhat uncertain from the above discussion. All 26 H atoms are involved in hydrogen bonding. The observed H-atom positions confirm this conclusion although in some cases alternative hydrogen bonds may be proposed. Furthermore, all 12 crystal waters and seven of the 12 oxygen atoms in the anion are coordinated to alkali ions. The four Na⁺ ions are coordinated by six oxygens, and the K⁺ ion is coordinated by seven oxygens. The crystal packing, as viewed down **a**, is shown in Fig. 2.

The stability, shape, hydrogen-bonding capability and charge of the $[Cu(HIO_6)_2]^{5-}$ ion make it potentially useful for preparation of heavy-atom derivatives of protein structures.

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Refinement of the Crystal Structure of CoSO₄.6H₂O

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Abstract. Cobalt(II) sulfate hexahydrate, $M_r = 263.08$, monoclinic, C2/c, Z = 8, a = 10.022 (3), b =7.217 (2), c = 24.224 (3) Å, $\beta = 98.42$ (2)°, V =1733.2 Å³, λ (Mo Ka) = 0.71073 Å, $D_x =$ 2.02 Mg m⁻³, μ (Mo Ka) = 2.3 mm⁻¹, 629 independent single-crystal diffractometer data up to $(\sin\theta)/\lambda =$ 0.55 Å⁻¹, F(000) = 1080, T = 297 (1) K, R = 0.032, wR = 0.028. The structure consists of alternate layers of Co(H₂O)₆ octahedra and SO₄ tetrahedra. Each water molecule is a donor for two hydrogen bonds with O···O distances between 2.663 (4) and 2.984 Å.

Introduction. The crystal structure of $CoSO_4$.6H₂O has been solved by Zalkin, Ruben & Templeton (1962).

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