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The KInTe₂ Structure Revisited

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Abstract

The framework is built up from InTe₄ tetrahedra and KTe₈ square antiprisms. The InTe₄ tetrahedra share orthogonal edges to form infinite chains along the *c* axis. These parallel tetrahedral chains are interconnected *via* edge-sharing KTe₈ square antiprisms.

Comment

The tetragonal cell of KInTe₂ was first indexed by Franke & Schafer (1972) using the Weissenberg photographic method. Estimated atomic coordinates were given by the authors. The present study reports the single-crystal structure and detailed bond distances and angles for KInTe₂.

Crystals of KInTe₂ were isolated during studies of the Nd–In–Ti–Te system. The single crystals were grown at 1275 K from a reaction with the target composition Nd₂In₃Ti₃Te₁₂. Similar to a method previously reported (Carpenter & Hwu, 1992), the crystal-growth experiment was carried out using an eutectic halide flux (BaCl₂/KCl).

A projection onto the *ab* plane of the structure of KInTe₂ is shown in Fig. 1. The structure is built up of InTe₄ tetrahedra and KTe₈ square antiprisms. Each InTe₄ tetrahedron shares edges with two InTe₄ tetrahedra along the fourfold screw axis, 4₂, and the four KTe₈ square antiprisms. A chain of InTe₄ tetrahedra sharing orthogonal edges can be observed running along the *c* axis. The parallel face-sharing KTe₈ square antiprismatic chains edge-share with the InTe₄ tetrahedral chain to form a three-dimensional framework with the TlSe-type structure (Ketelaar, t'Hart, Moerel & Polder, 1939). It should be noted that the title compound is isostructural with TlInTe₂ (Müller, Eulenberger & Hahn, 1973). The bond distances and angles of the InTe₄ tetrahedra and the KTe₈ square antiprisms are listed in Table 2.

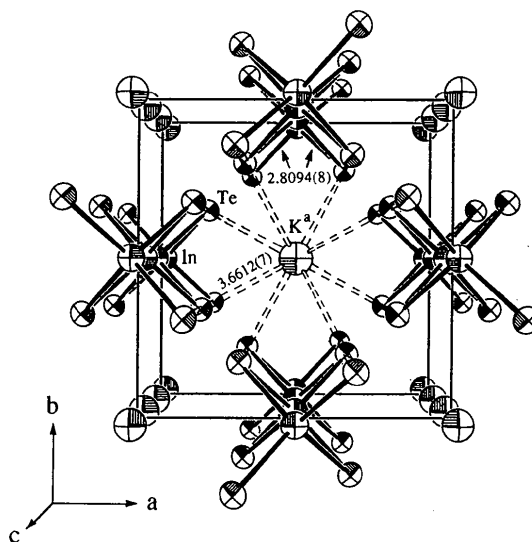


Fig. 1. ORTEP (Johnson, 1976) drawing of the KInTe₂ structure viewed approximately along the *c* axis. The anisotropic atoms are presented in 90% probability. The bond lengths are given in Å. K^a is at $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}$.

Experimental

Crystal data

KInTe₂
M_r = 409.12
 Tetragonal
*I*4/*mcm*
a = 8.598 (2) Å
c = 7.312 (3) Å
V = 540.6 (3) Å³
Z = 4
D_x = 5.027 Mg m⁻³

Mo Kα radiation
 λ = 0.71069 Å
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections
 θ = 3.35–12.05°
 μ = 15.52 mm⁻¹
T = 296 K
 Needle
 0.7 × 0.05 × 0.05 mm
 Dark red

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-5S four-circle diffractometer
 ω scans
 Absorption correction: three azimuthal scans
 (2 θ = 11.16, 22.43, 35.30°)
 T_{\min} = 0.67, T_{\max} = 1.00
 208 measured reflections
 176 independent reflections

176 observed reflections
 $[I > 3\sigma(I)]$
 θ_{\max} = 27.5°
h = 0 → 11
k = 0 → 11
l = 0 → 9
 3 standard reflections monitored at the end of each shell
 intensity variation: none detectable

Refinement

Refinement on *F*
 Final *R* = 0.021
 wR = 0.032
S = 1.61
 176 reflections
 10 parameters
 $w = [\sigma^2(F_o)]^{-1}$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max}$ = 0.003

$\Delta\rho_{\max}$ = 1.78 e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\min}$ = -3.43 e Å⁻³
 Extinction correction: Zachariasen (1968)
 Extinction coefficient: 1.9 (1) × 10⁻⁶
 Atomic scattering factors from Cromer & Waber (1974)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters (\AA^2)

	$B_{\text{eq}} = (8\pi^2/3) \text{ trace } U.$			B_{eq}
	x	y	z	
K	0.0	0.0	0.25	2.20 (7)
In	0.0	0.5	0.25	1.41 (3)
Te	0.32456 (5)	0.17544*	0.0	1.39 (2)

$$* y = \frac{1}{2} - x.$$

Table 2. Important geometry (\AA , $^\circ$) for polyhedra in KInTe_2

KTe ₈ polyhedron	
K—Te ^{a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h}	3.6612 (7) (8×)
Te ^{a/c/e/g} —K—Te ^{b/d/f/h}	120.09 (2) (4×)
Te ^{a/b/e/f} —K—Te ^{c/d/g/h}	80.68 (2) (4×)
Te ^{a/b/c/d} —K—Te ^{e/f/g/h}	75.56 (1) (8×)
Te ^{a/b/e/f} —K—Te ^{d/c/h/g}	131.34 (2) (4×)
Te ^{a/b/c/d} —K—Te ^{g/h/f/e}	67.74 (2) (4×)
Te ^{a/b/c/d} —K—Te ^{h/g/e/f}	151.33 (2) (4×)
InTe ₄ polyhedron	
In—Te ^{e,g,i,j}	2.8094 (8) (4×)
Te ^{e/e/g/i} —In—Te ^{g/i/i/j}	115.05 (2) (4×)
Te ^{e/g} —In—Te ^{i/j}	98.81 (3) (2×)

Symmetry codes: (a) x, y, z; (b) -x, -y, z; (c) x, -y, $\frac{1}{2}+z$; (d) -x, y, $\frac{1}{2}+z$; (e) -y, x, z; (f) y, -x, z; (g) y, x, $\frac{1}{2}+z$; (h) -y, -x, $\frac{1}{2}+z$; (i) y, 1 - x, z; (j) -y, 1 - x, $\frac{1}{2}+z$.

On the basis of the intensity statistics, as well as the successful solution and structure refinements, the space group was determined to be *I4/mcm* (No. 140).

Data reduction: *TEXSAN PROCESS* (Molecular Structural Corporation, 1985). Program(s) used to solve structure: *TEXSAN*. Program(s) used to refine structure: *TEXSAN*. The atomic coordinates were found by direct methods using *SHELXS86* (Sheldrick, 1985).

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Structure of Dimeric Dichloro(4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine)copper(II) Hemihydrate

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Abstract

The crystal consists of discrete dimeric units, di- μ -chloro-bis[chloro(4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine)copper(II)] hydrate, linked to one water molecule and to another unit by van der Waals forces. Each dimeric unit contains a Cu_2Cl_2 core surrounded by two chlorine ions and two 4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine ligands. The geometry about each Cu atom is best described as a distorted trigonal bipyramid. The basal plane contains the N(2) atom of 4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine, the Cl(2a) atom that bridges the two monomers, and the Cl(1) ion. The two axial sites are occupied by the N(1) atom and the Cl(2) ion.

Comment

The present work continues structural studies of Cu^{II} complexes with diimines. The dichloro(4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine)copper(II) complex has been