

Collection des données

Diffractomètre CAD-4

Balayage $\omega/2\theta$

Correction d'absorption:

empirique par ψ scans(North *et al.*, 1968) $T_{\min} = 0,274$, $T_{\max} = 0,549$

1153 réflexions mesurées

1063 réflexions

indépendantes

973 réflexions avec

 $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0,013$ $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25,96^\circ$ $h = -13 \rightarrow 13$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 17$ $l = 0 \rightarrow 8$

1 réflexion de référence

fréquence: 120 min

variation d'intensité: 0,3%

Affinement

Affinement à partir des F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0,034$ $wR(F^2) = 0,081$ $S = 1,264$

1063 réflexions

113 paramètres

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0,0108P)^2$ $+ 45,5442P]$ où $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0,001$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1,123 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1,183 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$

Correction d'extinction:

SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993)

Coefficient d'extinction:

0,0058 (2)

Facteurs de diffusion des

International Tables for

Crystallography (Tome C)

Tableau 1. Coordonnées atomiques et facteurs d'agitation thermique isotrope équivalents (Å^2)

$$U_{\text{eq}} = (1/3)\sum_i \sum_j U_{ij}^2 a_i^* a_j^*$$

	x	y	z	U_{eq}
Ni1	0	0	0	0,0086 (4)
Ni2	0	0,3764 (1)	0	0,0090 (3)
Ni3	0,32852 (9)	0,69184 (7)	0,1763 (1)	0,0078 (3)
As1	0,09083 (7)	0,19103 (5)	0,2751 (1)	0,0061 (2)
As2	0,3055 (1)	0	-0,9735 (2)	0,0079 (3)
K1†	0,6145 (4)	0,1113 (3)	0,5179 (6)	0,0184 (8)
K2†	0,8051 (7)	1/2	0,5350 (10)	0,038 (2)
K3†	0,4375 (12)	1/2	0,4797 (14)	0,070 (4)
O1	0,5104 (5)	0,7836 (4)	0,7738 (8)	0,012 (1)
O2	0,4836 (5)	0,6038 (4)	0,1995 (8)	0,009 (1)
O3	0,8005 (5)	0,2044 (4)	0,8636 (8)	0,009 (1)
O4	0,8377 (5)	0,1732 (4)	0,4818 (8)	0,014 (1)
O5	0,8108 (5)	0,4056 (4)	0,8788 (8)	0,011 (1)
O6	0,8079 (8)	0	0,8506 (13)	0,012 (2)
O7	0,5474 (8)	0	0,8147 (12)	0,014 (2)

† Facteur d'occupation = 0,50.

Tableau 2. Paramètres géométriques (Å , $^\circ$)

Ni1—O2 ⁱⁱ	2,052 (5)	Ni3—O5 ⁱⁱⁱⁱ	2,046 (6)
Ni1—O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	2,052 (5)	Ni3—O4 ⁱⁱⁱⁱ	2,052 (5)
Ni1—O2 ⁱⁱⁱⁱ	2,052 (5)	Ni3—O3 ⁱⁱⁱ	2,059 (5)
Ni1—O2 ^v	2,052 (5)	Ni3—O2	2,100 (5)
Ni1—O6 ^x	2,100 (8)	Ni3—O1 ^{ix}	2,169 (6)
Ni1—O6 ^{xi}	2,100 (8)	As1—O4 ^{ix}	1,651 (5)
Ni2—O1 ^{viii}	2,054 (6)	As1—O3 ^{ix}	1,698 (5)
Ni2—O1 ^{viii}	2,054 (6)	As1—O2 ⁱ	1,715 (5)
Ni2—O5 ^{ix}	2,078 (5)	As1—O1 ^{viii}	1,719 (6)
Ni2—O5 ^{xi}	2,078 (5)	As2—O6 ^{ix}	1,656 (8)
Ni2—O7 ^x	2,311 (6)	As2—O5 ^{ix}	1,698 (6)
Ni2—O7 ^{xi}	2,311 (6)	As2—O5 ⁱⁱⁱⁱ	1,698 (6)
Ni3—O3 ⁱⁱⁱⁱ	2,035 (5)	As2—O7 ^{ix}	1,702 (8)

Codes de symétrie: (i) $x - \frac{1}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, z$; (ii) $\frac{1}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} - y, -z$; (iii) $x - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - y, z$; (iv) $\frac{1}{2} - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z$; (v) $1 - x, -y, 1 - z$; (vi) $x - 1, y, z - 1$; (vii) $x - \frac{1}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, z - 1$; (viii) $\frac{1}{2} - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, 1 - z$; (ix) $1 - x, y, 1 - z$; (x) $\frac{1}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} - y, 1 - z$; (xi) $x - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + y, z - 1$; (xii) $1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$; (xiii) $x - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + y, z$; (xiv) $1 - x, -y, -z$; (xv) $x - \frac{1}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, z - 2$; (xvi) $x - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - y, z - 2$.

La largeur de balayage est $(1,00 + 0,5\text{tg}\theta)$. Les intensités ont été corrigées des facteurs de Lorentz-polarisation. La structure a été résolue par la méthode de l'atome lourd (SHELXS86; Sheldrick, 1990) puis affinée par la méthode des moindres carrés (SHELXL93; Sheldrick, 1993).

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Des documents complémentaires concernant cette structure peuvent être obtenus à partir des archives électroniques de l'UICr (Référence: GS1015). Les processus d'accès à ces archives sont donnés au dos de la couverture.

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KCu₄Se₃

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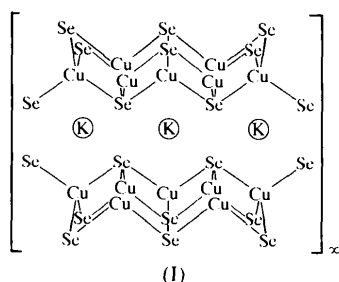
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Abstract

The reaction of K₂Se₅ and Cu yields single crystals of potassium tetracopper triselenide, KCu₄Se₃, which is isotypic with the sulfides ACu₄S₃ (A = K, Rb, Cs, Tl) and the selenide CsCu₄Se₃. The structure consists of double layers of copper cations, tetrahedrally coordinated by selenium and separated by potassium cations.

Comment

A relatively large number of ternary copper chalcogenides are known, which can be differentiated into those compounds which only exhibit one valency and those in which mixed valency must be proposed. Our interest is predominantly focused on the mixed-valence compounds, because most of them exhibit interesting physical properties. We have therefore studied the preparation of such compounds using the so-called molten-flux synthesis method. During a systematic investigation of the K—Cu—Se system, we obtained the title ternary mixed-valence copper compound, potassium tetracopper triselenide, KCu_4Se_3 , (I), in the form of single black crystals. In earlier investigations using Weissenberg and Debye—Scherrer photographs, only the space group and the lattice parameters were reported, but no structural details were elucidated (Klepp *et al.*, 1980).



The title compound adopts a layered structure and is isostructural with CsCu_4Se_3 (Hartig *et al.*, 1994), KCu_4S_3 (Rüdorff *et al.*, 1952; Brown *et al.*, 1980), RbCu_4S_3 (Rüdorff *et al.*, 1952), CsCu_4S_3 (Burschka, 1980) and TlCu_4S_3 (Klepp *et al.*, 1980). The empirical formulae of these compounds indicate a mixed-valence state, but the crystallographic results from (I) showed that all the copper cations are equivalent. However, these compounds are known to exhibit electrical conductivity characteristic of a metal (Rüdorff *et al.*, 1952; Brown *et al.*, 1980). KCu_4Se_3 crystallizes in the tetragonal space group $P4/mmm$. Its crystal structure is based on distorted CuSe_4 tetrahedra, which are connected *via* common edges to form double layers parallel to the (001) plane. These double layers are built up of two single layers of edge-sharing CuSe_4 tetrahedra, which are connected *via* a common Se^{2-} anion in the middle of the double layer. Each Se^{2-} anion at the surface of this double layer belongs to four tetrahedra, whereas each Se^{2-} anion in the middle of the layers shares eight tetrahedra. The double layers are separated by the potassium cations. Each K^+ cation is surrounded by eight Se^{2-} anions within a cube. The K—Se distances are 3.4371 (4) Å.

The Cu—Cu distance of 2.8417 (2) Å within the single layers is slightly shorter than that of 2.895 (1) Å in the selenide, CsCu_4Se_3 (Hartig *et al.*, 1994). As expected, in the sulfides KCu_4S_3 (Cu—Cu 2.7570 Å;

Brown *et al.*, 1980), RbCu_4S_3 (Cu—Cu 2.78 Å; Rüdorff *et al.*, 1952) and CsCu_4S_3 (Cu—Cu 2.810 Å; Burschka, 1980), shorter distances are found. The shortest distance between Cu cations in adjacent layers in (I) is significantly longer than the interlayer distance, at 3.139 (2) Å. The Cu—Se distances of 2.5497 (5) for Cu—Se1 and 2.4248 (6) Å for Cu—Se2 agree well with those in other copper selenides such as Cu_3Se_2 (Cu—Se 2.48–2.54 Å; Heyding & MacLaren Murray, 1976), $\alpha\text{-CuSe}$ [Cu—Se 2.386 (4)–2.445 (4) Å; Effenberger & Pertlik, 1981], KCuSe (Cu—Se 2.41 Å; Savelsberg & Schäfer, 1978), NaCuSe (Cu—Se 2.55 Å; Savelsberg & Schäfer, 1978) and CsCu_4Se_3 [Cu—Se 2.557 (1) and 2.422 (1) Å; Hartig *et al.*, 1994]. The Cu-centered tetrahedra are only slightly distorted, with Se1—Cu—Se2 angles of 110.152 (8)°, Se1—Cu—Se1 angles of 104.02 (3)° and Se2—Cu—Se2 angles of 111.93 (4)°. With respect to the mixed valency, the formation of valence band holes must be postulated, as copper is always in an oxidation state of one in a chalcogene environment. Further investigations are under way to elucidate the physical properties of KCu_4Se_3 .

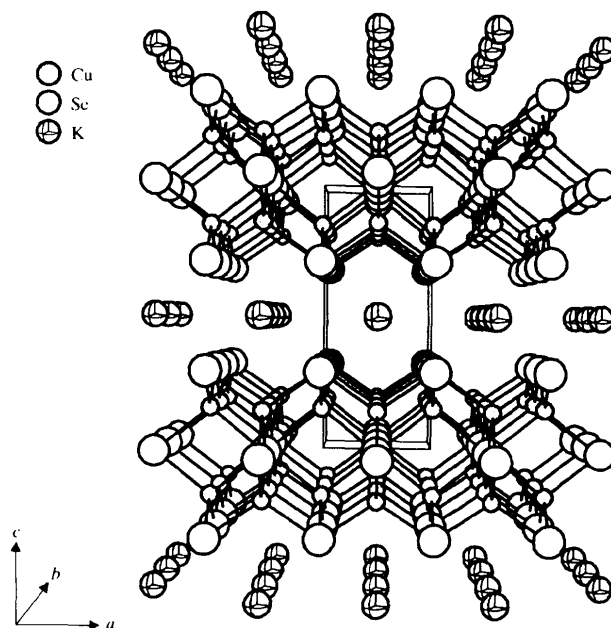


Fig. 1. The crystal structure of KCu_4Se_3 viewed down (010).

Experimental

The title compound was prepared by the reaction of K_2Se_5 and Cu in the ratio 1:4; the K_2Se_5 was prepared from stoichiometric amounts of K and Se in liquid ammonia under an argon atmosphere. The starting materials were thoroughly mixed in a dry box and sealed into a Pyrex glass ampoule, which was evacuated to 10^{-5} Pa. The ampoule was heated at 723 K for 3 d, cooled to 523 K at 3 K h^{-1} and then to 323 K

within 3 h. The resulting melt was washed with dimethylformamide and the residue was dried *in vacuo*.

Crystal data

KCu ₄ Se ₃	Mo K α radiation
$M_r = 530.14$	$\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$
Tetragonal	Cell parameters from 82 reflections
$P4/mmm$	$\theta = 11.0\text{--}22.5^\circ$
$a = 4.0188 (3) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 31.277 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 9.7200 (10) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$
$V = 156.99 (2) \text{ \AA}^3$	Plate
$Z = 1$	$0.07 \times 0.06 \times 0.02 \text{ mm}$
$D_x = 5.608 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	Black
D_m not measured	

Data collection

Stoe AED-II four-circle diffractometer	160 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
ω/θ scans	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.058$
Absorption correction: analytical (XP in SHELXTLPC; Siemens, 1990)	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 29.93^\circ$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.223$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.535$	$h = 0 \rightarrow 5$
1026 measured reflections	$k = -5 \rightarrow 5$
174 independent reflections	$l = -13 \rightarrow 13$
	4 standard reflections
	frequency: 120 min
	intensity decay: negligible

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.839 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.024$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1.002 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.062$	Extinction correction: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993)
$S = 1.170$	Extinction coefficient: 0.07 (1)
174 reflections	Scattering factors from International Tables for Crystallography (Vol. C)
13 parameters	
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0368P)^2]$	
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	
$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$	

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

	x	y	z	U_{eq}
Cu	0	1/2	0.16146 (8)	0.0238 (3)
Se1	1/2	1/2	0	0.0139 (3)
Se2	0	0	0.30109 (7)	0.0143 (3)
K	1/2	1/2	1/2	0.0210 (5)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$)

Cu—Se2	2.4248 (6)	Cu—Cu ⁱ	2.8417 (2)
Cu—Se1	2.5497 (5)	Se2—K	3.4371 (4)
Se2 ⁱⁱ —Cu—Se2	111.93 (4)	Se1 ⁱⁱⁱ —Cu—Se1	104.02 (3)
Se2—Cu—Se1 ⁱⁱⁱ	110.152 (8)		

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

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A new vanadium(IV) monophosphate, Sr(VO)₂(PO₄)₂, isotypic with Ca(VO)₂(PO₄)₂

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Abstract

A new vanadium(IV) phosphate, namely, strontium bis[oxovanadium(IV)] bis(phosphate), Sr(VO)₂(PO₄)₂, has been synthesized. It crystallizes in the *Fdd2* space group with $a = 11.992 (3)$, $b = 15.932 (2)$ and $c = 7.222 (2) \text{ \AA}$. This new phase is isostructural with Ca(VO)₂(PO₄)₂ and Cd(VO)₂(PO₄)₂ (orthorhombic form). The three-dimensional framework consists of infinite [VO₃]_∞