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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean  $\sigma(V-O) = 0.002 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.034 wR factor = 0.094 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.8

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The double salt tetrapotassium disodium decavanadate decahydrate,  $K_4Na_2[V_{10}O_{28}]\cdot 10H_2O$ , crystallizes in the triclinic system in space group *P*1. The centrosymmetric  $[V_{10}O_{28}]^{6-}$  polyanion forms a three-dimensional network *via*  $O_{polyanion}\cdots K^+\cdots O_{polyanion}$  coordination with K<sup>+</sup> ions and  $O_{polyanion}\cdots H-O_{water}\cdots Na^+$  hydrogen bonds. The V···V distances are in the range 3.0601 (9)–3.271 (1) Å, and the four types of V–O bond lengths are in the ranges 1.597 (2)–1.621 (2) (Ot), 1.920 (2)–2.020 (2) (Oc), 1.682 (2)–2.072 (2) (Ob) and 2.088 (2)–2.368 (2) Å (Oh).

## Comment

Simple decavanadate salts of alkali metals or ammonium have been reported, *viz.*  $Na_6[V_{10}O_{28}] \cdot 18H_2O$  (Durif *et al.*, 1980),  $Na_6[V_{10}O_{28}] \cdot 12H_2O$  (Xu *et al.*, 1996),  $Na_2[H_4V_{10}O_{28}] \cdot 14H_2O$ 



#### Figure 1

A view of the title structure with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids, showing the full coordination of the cations. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) -x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (iii) x - 1, 1 + y, z; (iv) 1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z; (v) -x, 1 - y, 2 - z.]

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## Figure 2

The coordination of K<sup>+</sup> and Na<sup>+</sup> ions in (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes: (i) -x, 1 - y, 2 - z; (ii) x - 1, 1 + y, z; (iii) 1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z; (iv) -x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (v) x, 1 - y, 2 - z.]

(Zhang *et al.*, 1985), Na<sub>3</sub>[H<sub>3</sub>V<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·15H<sub>2</sub>O (Duraisamy *et al.*, 2000), K<sub>6</sub>[V<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·9H<sub>2</sub>O (Xu *et al.*, 1997), Cs<sub>4</sub>[H<sub>2</sub>V<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·4H<sub>2</sub>O (Rigotti *et al.*, 1987) and (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>6</sub>[V<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·6H<sub>2</sub>O (Eglmeier *et al.*, 1993), and double salts of alkali metal with ammonium, *viz.* (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>[V<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·10H<sub>2</sub>O (Fratzky *et al.*, 2000). However, no alkali metal double salt has yet been reported.

Although the ideal symmetry of the decavanadate anion is  $D_{2h}$  (*mmm*), all the decavanadates that have been reported show only  $C_1$  (1) or  $C_i$  ( $\overline{1}$ ) symmetry. The preparation of decavanadates that have higher symmetry in the solid state is a crystallographically interesting and significant challenge. The title compound, tetrapotassium disodium decavanadate decahydrate, K<sub>4</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>[V<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·10H<sub>2</sub>O, (I), was obtained as a result of an attempt to prepare a high-symmetry decavanadate anion. We plan, in the future, to report the two double salt decavanadates, K<sub>4</sub>Na[HV<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·10H<sub>2</sub>O and K<sub>2</sub>Na<sub>4</sub>[V<sub>10</sub>O<sub>28</sub>]·18H<sub>2</sub>O which have space groups *P2/n* and *C2/m*, respectively.

Fig. 1 shows the structure of (I) and the labeling scheme of the decavanadate anion. The centrosymmetric polyanion consists of five independent  $[VO_6]$  octahedra, sharing edges, and has  $C_i$  ( $\overline{1}$ ) symmetry. The labeling of the O atoms in the polyanion is the same as the labeling in the previously reported structure (Lee *et al.*, 2003). The V···V distances are in the range 3.0601 (9)–3.271 (1) Å; the V–O distances given in Table 1 are normal. The bond lengths and angles of the  $[V_{10}O_{28}]^{6-}$  anion show a similar trend to those found in the literature. The framework of  $[V_{10}O_{28}]^{6-}$  has been studied in detail previously (Evans, 1966; Nowogrocki *et al.*, 1997).



#### Figure 3

The unit-cell packing and interactions of O atoms in the polyanion of (I). Probable  $O_{poyanion} \cdots H - O_w$  hydrogen-bonds are shown in red broken lines. [Symmetry codes: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) -x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (iii) 1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z; (iv) 1 + x, y, z; (v) -x, 2 - y, 1 - z (vi) 1 + x, y - 1, z; (vii) x, y, z - 1.]

Fig. 2 shows the discrete cluster of Na, K1 and K2 coordinated by O atoms. The decavanadate anion is surrounded by these clusters. The K1 and K2 ions are coordinated by eight and seven O atoms,  $[K1(Ob)_3(Ot)(Oc)(Ow)_3]^+$  and  $[K2(Ob)_3(Ot)_2(Ow)_2]^+$ , with a distance range of 2.788 (3)– 3.313 (4) Å and the Na<sup>+</sup> ion is coordinated by six waters of crystallization, with a distance range of 2.325 (3)–2.444 (3) Å.

Fig. 3 shows the unit cell packing with  $K^+ \cdots O_{\text{polyanion}}$ , the coordination features of Na<sup>+</sup> ions, and  $O_{\text{poyanion}} \cdots H - Ow$  hydrogen bonding in (I). All of the surface O atoms of the decavanadate anion are coordinated to the K<sup>+</sup> ion, except the atoms Oc2, Ob10 and Ot11. The Na<sup>+</sup> ion is coordinated only by water of crystallization.

All the water molecules of crystallization form hydrogen bonds with O atoms of the decavanadate and there are no  $Ow-H\cdots Ow$  hydrogen-bond interactions. All of the surface O atoms in the decavanadate anion form hydrogen bonds with the waters of crystallization except atoms Oc3, Ob7 and Ot11. Atom Ot11 does not form any interactions. Hydrogen-bond distances, less than 3.1 Å, formed by water molecules of crystallization are listed in Table 2.

## Experimental

Compound (I) was obtained by mixing hot aqueous solutions of  $KVO_3$  (2.0 g/30 ml) and NaCl (1.0 g/20 ml), and adjusting the pH to about 5.0. The pH was adjusted by adding 3 *M* HNO<sub>3</sub> dropwise while stirring vigorously. After a day, pale brown crystals of (I) were isolated at room temperature.

Z = 1

 $D_x = 2.654 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation Cell parameters from 28 reflections  $\theta = 9.5-10.5^{\circ}$ 

 $\mu = 3.30 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 (2) K

 $\theta_{\max} = 27.5^{\circ}$  $h = -11 \rightarrow 11$ 

 $l = 0 \rightarrow 14$ 

 $k = -12 \rightarrow 13$ 

3 standard reflections

frequency: 60 min

intensity decay: 3.6%

Hexagonal prism, pale brown

 $0.44 \times 0.30 \times 0.19$  mm

#### Crystal data

#### Data collection

Stoe Stadi-4 diffractometer  $\omega/2\theta$  scans Absorption correction: numerical (*X-SHAPE*; Stoe & Cie, 1996)  $T_{\min} = 0.317, T_{\max} = 0.534$ 3845 measured reflections 3845 independent reflections 3393 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Refinement

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Refinement on } F^2 & w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0418P)^2 \\ R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.034 & w + 1.8027P] \\ wR(F^2) = 0.094 & where \ P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3 \\ S = 1.11 & (\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001 \\ 3845 \ {\rm reflections} & \Delta\rho_{\rm max} = 0.95 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \\ 244 \ {\rm parameters} & \Delta\rho_{\rm min} = -1.08 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \end{array}$ 

### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å).

V1–Oh1	2.088 (2)	V5–Oc3	1.995 (2)
V1–Oh1 <sup>i</sup>	2.132 (2)	V5-Ob9	1.819 (2)
V1–Oc2	1.924 (2)	V5-Ob10	1.829 (2)
V1–Oc3	1.920 (2)	V5-Ot14	1.619 (2)
V1-Ob4	1.682 (2)	K1–Oc3 <sup>ii</sup>	2.923 (2)
V1-Ob5	1.707 (2)	K1-Ob4	2.807 (2)
V2–Oh1 <sup>i</sup>	2.368 (2)	K1–Ob5 <sup>ii</sup>	2.951 (2)
V2–Ob5	2.019 (2)	K1–Ob9 <sup>ii</sup>	2.973 (2)
V2–Ob6	1.858 (2)	$K1 - Ot14^{iii}$	2.870(2)
V2-Ob7	1.881 (2)	K1-Ow1	2.937 (3)
V2-Ob9	1.885 (2)	K1–Ow2	3.047 (4)
V2-Ot11	1.597 (2)	K1–Ow3	2.938 (4)
V3–Oh1 <sup>i</sup>	2.228 (2)	K2–Ob6 <sup>iv</sup>	3.086 (3)
V3–Oc2	1.997 (2)	K2–Ob7 <sup>iv</sup>	3.172 (2)
V3–Oc3 <sup>i</sup>	2.020(2)	K2–Ob8 <sup>iv</sup>	2.966 (3)
V3-Ob7	1.824 (2)	$K2-Ot11^{v}$	3.420 (3)
V3-Ob8	1.821 (2)	K2-Ot12	2.827 (2)
V3-Ot12	1.621 (2)	K2–Ot13 <sup>iii</sup>	2.788 (3)
$V4-Oh1^{i}$	2.291 (2)	K2–Ow2	3.313 (4)
V4–Ob4 <sup>i</sup>	2.072 (2)	K2–Ow5	2.889 (4)
V4–Ob6	1.822 (2)	Na-Ow1	2.337 (3)
V4–Ob8	1.893 (2)	Na-Ow2	2.325 (3)
V4-Ob10	1.864 (2)	Na-Ow3	2.365 (3)
V4-Ot13	1.613 (2)	Na-Ow4	2.407 (3)
$V5-Oh1^{i}$	2.253 (2)	Na-Ow4 <sup>vi</sup>	2.444 (3)
V5–Oc2 <sup>i</sup>	2.015 (2)	Na-Ow5	2.324 (3)

Symmetry codes: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) -x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (iii) x - 1, 1 + y, z; (iv) 1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z; (v) x, 1 + y, z; (vi) -x, 1 - y, 2 - z.

## Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding	geometry	(A,	°)	)
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$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
Ow1−Hw1a···Ob4 <sup>i</sup>	0.97	2.64	3.100 (3)	109
$Ow1-Hw1b\cdots Ob5$	0.97	1.94	2.811 (3)	148
$Ow2-Hw2a\cdots Oc2$	0.98	1.95	2.856 (3)	152
$Ow2-Hw2b\cdots Ob10^{ii}$	0.93	1.95	2.839 (4)	160
Ow3−Hw3a···Ob9 <sup>ii</sup>	0.97	1.91	2.767 (3)	146
$Ow3-Hw3b\cdots Ot14^{i}$	0.97	2.50	2.989 (4)	111
$Ow4-Hw4b\cdots Ob7$	0.97	1.83	2.799 (3)	174
$Ow4-Hw4a\cdots Ot12^{iii}$	0.97	2.28	2.980 (3)	128
Ow5−Hw5b···Ob6 <sup>ii</sup>	0.97	1.84	2.789 (4)	163
$Ow5-Hw5a\cdots Ot13^{iii}$	0.97	2.37	2.959 (4)	119

Symmetry codes: (i) -x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) x - 1, 1 + y, z; (iii) 1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z.

All H atoms of the waters of crystallization were placed in calculated positions or at electron-density peaks (H atoms of Ow2), with O-H distances ranging from 0.93 to 0.98 Å and O-H···O angles ranging from 109 to 174°. They were included in the refinement in the riding-motion approximation, with  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm O})$ . The highest peak in the difference map is 0.80 Å from K2 and the largest hole is 0.85 Å from K2.

Data collection: *Stadi*4 (Stoe & Cie, 1996); cell refinement: *Stadi*4; data reduction: *X-RED* (Stoe & Cie, 1996); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP*-3 (Farrugia, 1997) and *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg, 1998); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL*97.

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