

liche Abtragung und Ionisierung des Probenmaterials über den gesamten Beschußquerschnitt — ca. 1 mm² Halbwertsbreite — gegeben. Das hat zur Folge, daß Inhomogenitäten der Probensubstanz wesentlich geringeren Einfluß haben als bei der Hochfrequenzfunkenionenquelle, bei der viel kleinere von Funken zu Funken wechselnde Emissionszentren gebildet werden.

Die kontinuierliche Materialabtragung bietet weiterhin die Möglichkeit, Analysen in Abhängigkeit von der Beschußzeit und damit der Schichttiefe durchzuführen. So wurde zum Beispiel vom Verfasser die Diffusionsfront von Gallium in Silicium bestimmt.

Schluß

Die vorliegende Arbeit stellt den Versuch einer systematischen Untersuchung der SI-Ausbeute reiner Targets und einiger Metalle in Abhängigkeit von ihrer Konzentration in einer Eisenmatrix durch

Argonionenbeschuß dar. Der Einfluß der Ionisierungsenergie auf die SI-Ausbeute der einzelnen Targetelemente wird gezeigt.

Die Anwendung der Ionenbeschuß-Ionenquelle in der qualitativen Festkörperanalyse ist bereits von mehreren Autoren beschrieben worden. HERZOG⁸ berichtet außerdem über die Isotopenverhältnismessung von ⁷Li/⁶Li am Holbrook Meteoriten und über die quantitative Analyse von Bor in Silicium.

Zur quantitativen Analyse beliebiger Probensubstanzen müssen die SI-Ausbeuten der noch nicht gemessenen Elemente bestimmt und die möglichen Einflüsse von Matrixeffekten untersucht werden. Messungen mit dieser Zielsetzung sollen am hiesigen Institut angeschlossen werden.

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The Electrical Conductivity of Pure Molten Alkali Sulphates and Molten Equimolar Alkali Sulphate Mixtures

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The electrical conductivity of pure Na₂SO₄, Rb₂SO₄ and Cs₂SO₄ and of the nine equimolar mixtures LiNaSO₄, LiRbSO₄, LiCsSO₄, NaKSO₄, NaRbSO₄, NaCsSO₄, KRbSO₄, KCsSO₄ and RbCsSO₄ has been measured up to 1145 °C. From the measurements we have estimated the number of cations taking part in cooperative motions in these salts. The relation between the TOBOLSKY parameter and the conductivities is discussed.

For mixtures of Li₂SO₄ and Ag₂SO₄, two salts with a common anion and cations of very different mass, the electrical conductivity can be written¹

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_1 x^k + \Lambda_2 (1 - x^k) \quad (1)$$

where x is the mole fraction of the salt with the lighter cation and Λ_1 and Λ_2 are the conductivities of the light and heavy salts. The parameter k was interpreted to be the number of cations taking part in a cooperative motion of ions¹.

In mixtures, where the cations differ considerably in size, we may modify Eq. (1) by taking into account that the mobility of the ions depends on the free volume v_f of the salt.

A relation between Λ and v_f has been given by COHEN and TURNBULL²

$$\Lambda = A T^{1/2} \exp(-B/v_f) \quad (2)$$

where T is the temperature in °K and A and B positive constants.

A change Δv_f of the free volume gives

$$\Delta \Lambda / \Lambda = B \cdot \Delta v_f / v_f^2 \quad (3)$$

and Eq. (1) can be written

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_1 \left(1 + \frac{\Delta v_f(1)}{v_f^2(1)} \right) x^k + \Lambda_2 \left(1 + \frac{\Delta v_f(2)}{v_f^2(2)} \right) (1 - x^k). \quad (4)$$

¹ A. KVIST, Z. Naturforschg. **22 a**, 208 [1967].

² M. COHEN and D. TURNBULL, J. Chem. Phys. **31**, 1164 [1959].



t °C	κ $\Omega^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$	t °C	κ $\Omega^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$
Na ₂ SO ₄		LiCsSO ₄	
958.8	2.498	1003.0	1.1910
935.0	2.422	993.0	1.1750
927.5	2.400	982.2	1.1468
916.0	2.361	968.0	1.1184
		952.5	1.0893
		930.8	1.0443
		890.2	0.9631
		876.2	0.9298
		853.8	0.8808
		832.2	0.8375
		808.8	0.7876
		791.0	0.7479
		771.4	0.7105
Rb ₂ SO ₄		NaKSO ₄	
1122.0	1.485	920.2	1.698
1096.2	1.449	909.5	1.666
1091.5	1.439		
1085.2	1.429		
1084.0	1.430		
1080.2	1.422		
1078.8	1.417		
1067.0	1.401		
Cs ₂ SO ₄		NaRbSO ₄	
1081.5	1.196	987.8	1.405
1064.5	1.173	968.5	1.383
1063.0	1.177	926.5	1.304
1044.0	1.145	910.5	1.272
1038.8	1.146	890.8	1.231
1013.5	1.113	868.5	1.182
		840.8	1.121
LiNaSO ₄ (molten)		NaCsSO ₄	
848.0	2.568	905.8	1.0525
828.2	2.471	882.8	1.0131
801.8	2.364	868.2	0.9758
773.2	2.234	847.8	0.9373
750.5	2.125	820.2	0.8811
723.5	1.995	803.5	0.8461
685.6	1.810	784.2	0.8072
660.2	1.684	743.0	0.7201
655.0	1.656	736.8	0.7061
630.2	1.533	719.2	0.6671
		698.8	0.6264
		682.5	0.5910
(solid)		KRbSO ₄	
599.0	1.238	1109.0	1.669
592.8	1.175	1087.5	1.630
568.2	1.026	1064.0	1.592
545.8	0.8970		
LiRbSO ₄		KCsSO ₄	
938.5	1.320	1002.0	1.290
924.2	1.287	969.8	1.233
901.5	1.232	959.8	1.213
878.8	1.173	942.2	1.191
856.6	1.117		
813.2	1.063	RbCsSO ₄	
812.5	1.012	1145.2	1.293
794.2	0.9644	1135.2	1.279
785.0	0.9292	1115.5	1.257
769.5	0.8946	1100.0	1.241
		1084.2	1.219
		1077.2	1.212
		1059.0	1.188
		1055.8	1.179

$\Delta v(i)/v(i)$ is the relative difference in free volume between the pure salt with the conductivity Λ_i and the mixture.

In order to test Eq. (4) and to estimate k , we have measured the electrical conductivities of some pure alkali sulphates and alkali sulphate mixtures.

All salts were reagent grade and were used without further purification. The experimental technique is described elsewhere in detail¹.

The obtained conductivities are tabulated in Table 1. The results of pure sodium sulphate are about five percent higher than those obtained by ARNDT³. The conductivities of pure Li₂SO₄ (l. c.⁴), K₂SO₄ (l. c.⁵) and Ag₂SO₄ (l. c.¹) have recently been reported by the author.

It has been found that the systems Li₂SO₄ – Ag₂SO₄ (l. c.¹) and Li₂SO₄ – K₂SO₄ (l. c.⁶) exhibit volumetric additivity and we have therefore assumed that this is the case in all the investigated sulphate mixtures. The molal conductivities in Table 2 have been calculated by using the densities of the pure salts^{1, 7}.

Salt	a	$-b$	s	Λ_{900} $\Omega^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$	Range °C
Li ₂ SO ₄	0.34166	65.0	0.4	242.5	860—930
Na ₂ SO ₄	0.25851	73.4	0.1	159.3	916—960
K ₂ SO ₄	0.23679	78.5	0.2	134.6	1068—1086
Rb ₂ SO ₄	0.20317	70.1	0.2	112.8	1067—1122
Cs ₂ SO ₄	0.18051	51.2	0.4	111.3	1013—1082
Ag ₂ SO ₄	0.19718	21.0	0.1	156.5	670—750
LiNaSO ₄	0.31101	105.9	0.4	174.0	860—848
LiKSO ₄	—	—	—	122.6	—
LiRbSO ₄	0.21343	96.5	0.3	95.6	769—938
LiCsSO ₄	0.19673	93.1	0.4	84.0	771—1003
NaKSO ₄	0.30841	133.6	0.2	144.0	909—920
NaRbSO ₄	0.19261	67.9	0.5	105.4	840—988
NaCsSO ₄	0.20168	85.2	0.2	96.3	682—906
KRbSO ₄	0.21313	70.2	0.2	121.6	1064—1109
KCsSO ₄	0.20732	73.2	0.4	113.4	942—1002
RbCsSO ₄	0.17322	50.3	0.3	105.6	1055—1145
LiAgSO ₄	0.27760	77.8	0.4	172.0	580—740

Table 2. The molar electrical conductivity described by the relation $\Lambda = at + b$, where t is the temperature in °C. The densities were obtained from JAEGER and KAHN⁷. Λ_{900} of pure potassium sulphate has been extrapolated from previously published data⁵.

Table 1. The specific electrical conductivity of molten Na₂SO₄, Rb₂SO₄, Cs₂SO₄ and some equimolar sulphate mixtures. The conductivities of the systems Li₂SO₄ – Ag₂SO₄ (l. c.¹) and Li₂SO₄ – K₂SO₄ (l. c.⁵) have recently been published by the author. LiNaSO₄ forms a solid high temperature modification with a cubic (b.c.c.) lattice.

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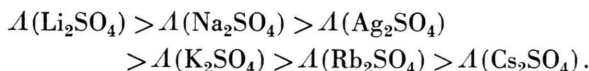
⁴ A. KVIST, Z. Naturforsch. **21 a**, 487 [1966].

⁵ A. KVIST, Z. Naturforsch. **21 a**, 1221 [1966].

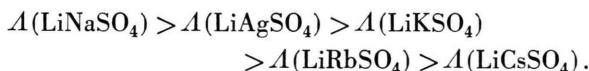
⁶ D. JAMES and C. LIU, J. Chem. Eng. Data **8**, 469 [1963].

⁷ F. JAEGER and J. KAHN, Koninkl. Ned. Akad. Wetenschap. Proc. **19**, 381 [1916].

Λ_{900} decreases with increasing PAULING radii of the cations



As might be expected we also find



But if we look at the mixtures containing caesium sulphate



Table 3 shows that the free volume of the pure univalent sulphates increases with increasing radius of the cation and the mobility of i. e. a potassium ion in $(\text{Li}, \text{K})_2\text{SO}_4$ should then decrease with increasing concentration of lithium sulphate. This is in agreement with observations made by LJUBIMOV and LUNDÉN⁸.

Salt	Cation radius Å	v_f (cm ³ /mole)		
		800 °C	900 °C	1000 °C
Li ₂ SO ₄	0.60	18.9	19.9	21.1
Na ₂ SO ₄	0.95	28.9	30.4	32.1
K ₂ SO ₄	1.33	39.7	42.1	44.5
Rb ₂ SO ₄	1.48	47.9	50.4	53.1
Cs ₂ SO ₄	1.69	55.7	57.6	60.0
Ag ₂ SO ₄	1.26	22.3	23.9	25.6

Table 3. The free volume of the pure sulphates. The radius of the sulphate ion was taken as 2.4 Å and the volume of the cations was calculated by using PAULING radii.

When the difference in radii between the two cations is big, the conductivity of the equimolar mixture is even lower than of both the pure salts. This is the case for five of the eleven mixtures in Table 2.

The constant B has been calculated from Eq. (2) and it is seen in Table 4 that B/v_f falls between 0.4 and 1.6. For the pure alkali sulphates B/v_f is about 0.7.

We have in Eq. (4) used a mean value of B/v_f , which is about one, and Eq. (4) can thus for 1:1 mixtures be written

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_1 \left(1 + \frac{\Delta v_f(1)}{v_f(1)} \right) x^k + \Lambda_2 \left(1 + \frac{\Delta v_f(2)}{v_f(2)} \right) (1 - x)^k. \quad (5)$$

⁸ V. LJUBIMOV and A. LUNDÉN, Z. Naturforschg. **21 a**, 15 [1966].

Salt	B	B/v_f		
		800 °C	900 °C	1000 °C
Li ₂ SO ₄	14.09	0.75	0.71	0.67
Na ₂ SO ₄	19.39	0.67	0.64	0.60
K ₂ SO ₄	28.79	0.73	0.68	0.65
Rb ₂ SO ₄	36.20	0.76	0.72	0.68
Cs ₂ SO ₄	40.78	0.73	0.71	0.68
Ag ₂ SO ₄	10.68	0.48	0.45	0.42
LiRbSO ₄	36.61	1.10	1.04	0.99
LiCsSO ₄	53.14	1.42	1.37	1.32
NaKSO ₄	31.49	0.92	0.89	0.82
NaRbSO ₄	32.72	0.85	0.81	0.77
NaCsSO ₄	68.31	1.61	1.55	1.48
KCsSO ₄	42.92	0.90	0.86	0.82

Table 4. The constant B and B/v_f for the pure sulphates and some of the investigated mixtures, calculated from Eq. (2). For the mixtures v_f was taken to be the arithmetic mean of the corresponding two values in Table 3.

The k -values estimated from Eq. (5) are tabulated in Table 5. k is generally about four and as might be expected k decreases with increasing temperature. An interesting consequence of this is that the relative mobility of the cations should increase with increasing temperature. k increases somewhat with decreasing values of B .

Salt	k		
	800 °C	900 °C	1000 °C
LiKSO ₄	—	3.2	—
LiRbSO ₄	4.1	3.7	3.5
LiCsSO ₄	5.1	4.4	3.9
NaCsSO ₄	3.8	3.2	2.9
LiAgSO ₄	2.5	2.1	—

Table 5. The number of ions taking part in a cooperative motion estimated from Eq. (5).

In a previous paper⁹, we have calculated k from conductivity measurements of lithium sulphate with small quantities of potassium sulphate and from electromigration experiments. We then obtained $k = 2.7$ at 890 °C, and this value is in satisfactory agreement with the value $k = 3.2$ obtained here. In that paper we also pointed out that it was probable that k increases with increasing radius of the impurity cation in molten lithium sulphate and this hypothesis is supported by this investigation.

It has often been proposed that the electrostatic forces between the cations and anions are very important for the transport properties in molten salt mixtures, but it seems then difficult to understand for instance why the electrical conductivity of pure

⁹ A. KVIST, Z. Naturforschg. **21 a**, 1601 [1966].

lithium sulphate is so much higher than in the other sulphates. It is also difficult to explain the decrease in conductivity of molten lithium sulphate when impurity cations are added⁹.

The concentration region, where a is small has little interest in this investigation, since the term a^k in Eq. (5) is very small.

WARD and JANZ¹⁰ have proposed that in a binary mixture the difference between the "ideal" conductivity,

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{ideal}} = a \mathcal{A}_1 + (1 - a) \mathcal{A}_2,$$

and the measured one, is a function of the TOBOLSKY parameter Θ , a quantity which has been found very useful in the theory relating viscosity and surface tension of molten salts¹¹⁻¹². Θ is defined from

$$\Theta = [(d_1 - d_2)/(d_1 + d_2)]^2,$$

where d_i is the sum of the diameters of the cation and the anion. DE NOOLJER¹³ has plotted $\mathcal{A}_{\text{ideal}} - \mathcal{A}$ as a function of Θ for univalent nitrate mixtures and he found that it is possible to draw a straight line through these points.

Also the results for molten sulphates give an approximately straight line (Fig. 1). It is, however, seen in Table 2 that the conductivity of an equimolar mixture is almost the same as the conductivity of the

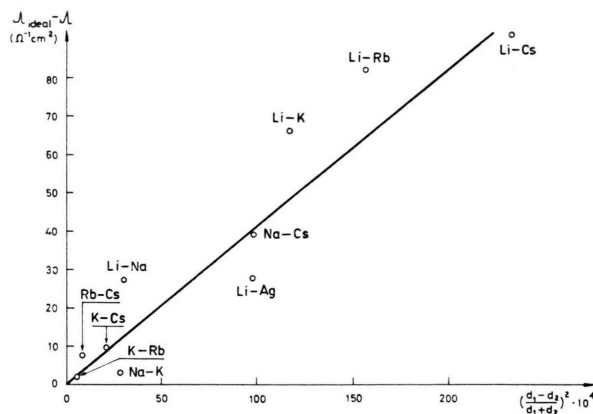


Fig. 1. The difference between the "ideal" electrical conductivity and the measured one as a function of the TOBOLSKY parameter.

pure component with the lowest conductivity and this is the case also in the nitrates investigated by DE NOOLJER¹³. If we then plot the difference in conductivity between the two pure salts as a function of Θ we also get a straight line. Since there is no reason why this quantity should be a function of Θ , we find it difficult to draw any conclusions from the fact that a straight line is obtained.

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