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# **Some Physical Properties of Different Compositions of Alums**

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#### **Abstract**

The norm of elastic constant tensor and the norms of the irreducible parts of the elastic constants of different compositions of alums (cubic systems) are calculated. The relation of the scalar parts norms and the other parts norms and the anisotropy of these alums are characterized. The norm ratios are used to study the isotropy and anisotropy of these alums.

**Key words:** Alums, Deuterated Alums, Isotropy, Norm, Anisotropy, Elastic Constants.

#### 1. Introduction

The decomposition procedure and the decomposition of elastic constant tensor (Elastic constant tensor can be decomposed into two scalar parts, two deviator parts and one nonor part) is given in [1-4], also the definition of norm concept and the norm ratios and the relationship between the anisotropy and the norm ratios are given in [1-5]. As the ratio  $N_s$  /N (Norm of the scalar part of the elastic constant tensor/Norm of the elastic constant tensor) becomes close to one then the material becomes more isotropic and as the sum of the ratios  $N_d/N$  (Norm of the deviator part of the elastic constant tensor/Norm of the elastic constant tensor) and  $N_n/N$  (Norm of the nonor part of the elastic constant tensor/Norm of the elastic constant tensor) becomes close to one then the material becomes more anisotropic as explained in [1-5]. We planned to study the isotropy of the alums for different compositions because when the properties of a material vary with different crystallographic orientations, the material is said to be anisotropic. Alternately, when the properties of a material are the same in all directions, the material is said to be isotropic.

## 2. Experimental

#### 2.1. Data and Calculations

The elastic constants and calculations were presented in table 1-2.

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**Table 1.** Elastic constants (GPa) [6].

Compositiona	$C_{11}$	$C_{44}$	$C_{12}$
C(NH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> VS	35.1	5.2	22.9
CsAlS	31.15	8.39	15.39
CsAlSe	26.08	7.42	11.78
CsCrS	30.7	8.5	14.8
CsFeS	30.38	8.41	14.48
CsGaS	30.69	8.16	15.33
CsGaSe	25.30	7.56	11.3
CsInS	29.57	8.16	14.07
CsTiS	30.0	8.4	15.0
CsVS	30.4	8.0	16.0
KAIS	24.9	8.49	10.4
KAISe	23.30	7.75	9.7
KCrS	23.8	7.49	10.0
KFeS	22.62	8.21	8.86
KGaS	23.56	8.49	9.94
KVS	26.7	7.85	13.0
NaAlS	35.14	7.7	23.02
NH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> AIS	29.71	5.84	17.32
NH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> AlSe	27.36	5.43	16.08
NH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> FeS	28.75	5.76	16.61
NH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> GaS	28.98	5.62	16.86
NH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> InS	27.03	5.54	15.51
NH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> VS	28.0	5.6	16.6
NH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub> AIS	26.21	5.63	17.75
NH₃OHAIS	24.16	6.49	17.74
NH₃OHGaS	23.6	6.6	16.0
NH <sub>4</sub> AIS	25.1	8.06	10.7
NH <sub>4</sub> AlSe	23.84	7.52	10.40
NH <sub>4</sub> CrS	24.9	8.0	10.7
NH <sub>4</sub> FeS	24.13	8.02	10.23
NH <sub>4</sub> GaS	23.95	8.05	10.29
NH <sub>4</sub> GaSe	22.68	7.58	9.68
NH <sub>4</sub> InS	23.51	7.85	10.11
NH <sub>4</sub> VS	27.2	7.35	14.1
RbAIS	25.35	8.44	10.33
RbAlSe	24.26	7.78	9.96
RbCrS	24.7	8.6	10.3
RbFeS	24.5	8.5	9.9
RbGaS	24.50	8.53	9.96
RbGaSe	23.13	7.80	9.35
RbInS	23.66	8.26	9.54
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RbVS	28.6	8.4	13.4	
TIAIS	27.7	8.31	12.6	
TIAISe	23.50	7.33	10.46	
TIGaS	24.59	24.59 8.3		
TlInS	23.0	8.0	10.3	
TIVS	28.5	28.5 7.8 14.4		
<b>Deuterated Alums</b>				
CsAlS	31.18	8.55	15.36	
KAIS	24.59	8.56	9.95	
ND <sub>3</sub> CD <sub>3</sub> AIS	29.66	5.82	17.2	
TIAIS	25.42	8.17	11.24	

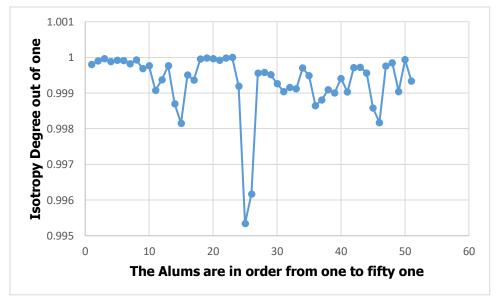
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Alums have the general formula  $XY*(ZO_4)_2.12H_2O$ , where X is a monovalent atom or radical, Y is a tervalent atom and Z is S or Se. The composition in the above table is expressed as XYZ.

By using table 1 and the decomposition of the elastic constant tensor, the norms and the norm ratios are calculated as given in table 2.

**Table 2.** The norms and norm ratios.

Compositiona	Ns	N <sub>d</sub>	N <sub>n</sub>	N	N <sub>s</sub> /N	N <sub>d</sub> /N	N <sub>n</sub> /N
C(NH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> VS	82.975	0	1.650	82.991	0.9998	0	0.01988
CsAlS	67.620	0	0.935	67.626	0.999904	0	0.01382
CsAlSe	55.247	0	0.495	55.249	0.99996	0	0.008958
CsCrS	66.259	0	1.008	66.266	0.99988	0	0.015214
CsFeS	65.311	0	0.843	65.317	0.999917	0	0.012909
CsGaS	66.800	0	0.8798	66.805	0.999913	0	0.01317
CsGaSe	53.725	0	1.02650	53.735	0.999818	0	0.019103
CsInS	63.512	0	0.75154	63.516	0.99993	0	0.011832
CsTiS	65.659	0	1.64973	65.679	0.999684	0	0.025118
CsVS	67.399	0	1.46642	67.415	0.999763	0	0.021752
KAIS	52.834	0	2.27296	52.883	0.999076	0	0.042981
KAISe	49.201	0	1.74138	49.232	0.999374	0	0.035371
KCrS	49.972	0	1.08149	49.984	0.999766	0	0.021637
KFeS	47.705	0	2.43793	47.767	0.998697	0	0.051037
KGaS	50.590	0	3.07949	50.684	0.998152	0	0.060759
KVS	58.205	0	1.83303	58.234	0.999504	0	0.031477
NaAIS	84.475	0	3.00617	84.528	0.999367	0	0.035564
NH₃CH₃AIS	67.339	0	0.65073	67.342	0.999953	0	0.009663
NH₃CH₃AlSe	62.266	0	0.38494	62.267	0.999981	0	0.006182
NH₃CH₃FeS	64.970	0	0.56824	64.973	0.999962	0	0.008746
NH₃CH₃GaS	65.581	0	0.80653	65.586	0.999924	0	0.012297
NH₃CH₃InS	60.977	0	0.40327	60.979	0.999978	0	0.006613
NH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> VS	63.995	0	0.18330	63.995	0.999996	0	0.002864
NH₃NH₂AIS	63.960	0	2.56624	64.011	0.999196	0	0.04009
NH₃OHAIS	62.063	0	6.01234	62.354	0.99534	0	0.096423
NH₃OHGaS	58.495	0	5.13248	58.720	0.996173	0	0.087406

NH <sub>4</sub> AIS	53.077	0	1.57641	53.100	0.999559	0	0.029687
NH <sub>4</sub> AlSe	50.626	0	1.46642	50.647	0.999581	0	0.028954
NH <sub>4</sub> CrS	52.780	0	1.64973	52.806	0.999512	0	0.031241
NH <sub>4</sub> FeS	51.208	0	1.96134	51.246	0.999267	0	0.038273
NH₄GaS	51.107	0	2.23630	51.156	0.999044	0	0.043715
NH₄GaSe	48.264	0	1.97967	48.304	0.99916	0	0.040983
NH <sub>4</sub> InS	50.130	0	2.10798	50.175	0.999117	0	0.042013
NH <sub>4</sub> VS	60.107	0	1.46642	60.124	0.999703	0	0.02439
RbAIS	53.225	0	1.70472	53.253	0.999487	0	0.032012
RbAlSe	51.920	0	2.70372	51.99	0.998647	0	0.052005
RbCrS	52.566	0	2.56624	52.628	0.99881	0	0.048762
RbFeS	51.672	0	2.19964	51.719	0.999095	0	0.042531
RbGaS	51.785	0	2.30962	51.837	0.999007	0	0.044556
RbGaSe	48.559	0	1.66806	48.588	0.999411	0	0.034331
RbInS	49.925	0	2.19964	49.974	0.999031	0	0.044016
RbVS	61.541	0	1.46642	61.559	0.999716	0	0.023822
TIAIS	59.190	0	1.39310	59.206	0.999723	0	0.02353
TIAISe	50.130	0	1.48475	50.152	0.999562	0	0.029605
TIGaS	53.256	0	2.84120	53.332	0.99858	0	0.053274
TlInS	49.936	0	3.0245	50.027	0.998171	0	0.060457
TIVS	62.466	0	1.37477	62.481	0.999758	0	0.022003
Deuterated Alums							
CsAIS	67.737	0	1.17314	67.7472	0.99985	0	0.017316
KAIS	51.9102	0	2.27296	51.9599	0.999043	0	0.043744
ND <sub>3</sub> CD <sub>3</sub> AIS	67.0640	0	0.75154	67.0682	0.999937	0	0.011206
TIAIS	54.342	0	1.97967	54.3785	0.999337	0	0.036406



**Figure 1.** Isotropy degree.

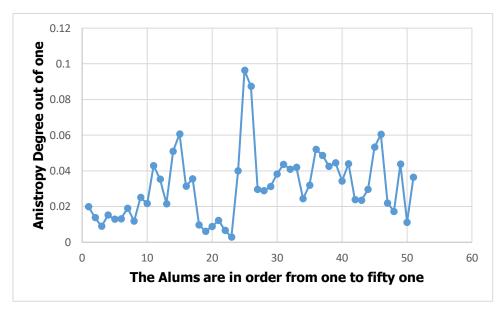


Figure 2. Anisotropy degree.

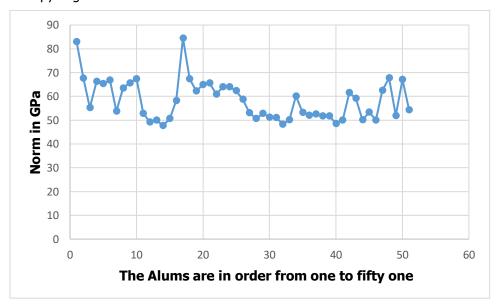


Figure 3. Elastically srong.

#### 3. Results and Conclusion

From table 2 and the Figures (Figure 1-3) and analyzing the ratio  $N_s/N$ , we can conclude that  $NH_3CH_3VS$  is the most isotropic composition alum with highest value of  $N_s/N$  (0.999996) and lowest value of  $N_n/N$  (0.002864) and  $NH_3OHAIS$  is the most anisotropic composition alum with highest value of  $N_n/N$  (0.096423) and with lowest value of  $N_s/N$  (0.99534), because for isotropic material  $N_s/N = 1$  and  $N_n/N = 0$ . Which means that as the value of  $N_n/N$  increases the anisotropy increases. And also the elastically strongest composition alum is NAIS, which has the highest value of  $N_s/N$  (0.999937) and lowest value of  $N_n/N$  (0.011206) and  $N_s/N$  (0.999937) and lowest value of  $N_n/N$  (0.043744) and with lowest value of  $N_s/N$  (0.999043) and also the elastically strongest composition alum is  $N_s/N$  (0.999043) and also the elastically strongest composition alum is  $N_s/N$  (0.999043). In general we can say that alums are highly isotropic because of the value of  $N_s/N$  is very close to one for all compositions.

#### 4. Conflicts of Interest

The author(s) report(s) no conflict(s) of interest(s). The author along are responsible for content and writing of the paper.

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