

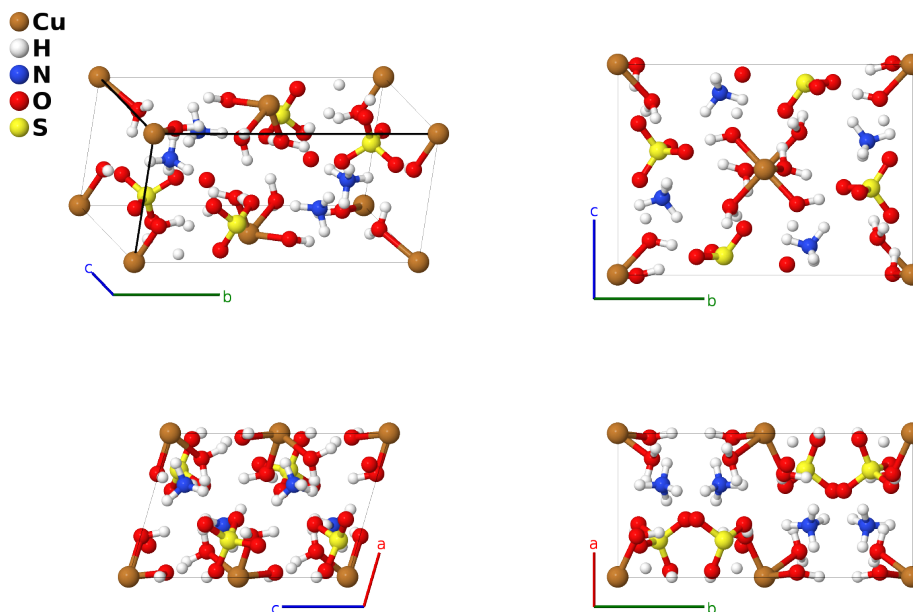
# Tutton salt $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}, H4_4]$ Structure: AB20C2D14E2\_mP78\_14\_a\_10e\_e\_7e\_e-001

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Prototype	$\text{CuH}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{14}\text{S}$
AFLOW prototype label	AB20C2D14E2_mP78_14_a_10e_e_7e_e-001
<i>Strukturbericht</i> designation	$H4_4$
Mineral name	tutton salt
ICSD	23187
Pearson symbol	mP78
Space group number	14
Space group symbol	$P2_1/c$
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## Other compounds with this structure

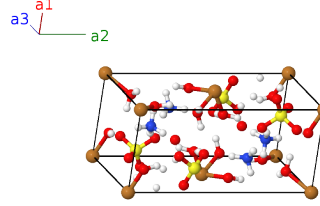
$\text{Cd}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Co}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Fe}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Mg}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Mn}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Ni}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{V}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Mg}(\text{NH}_4)_2(\text{SeO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Co}(\text{KSO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Cu}(\text{KSeO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Cu}(\text{KSO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Mg}(\text{KSO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Mg}(\text{TlSO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Ni}(\text{KSO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$

- Tutton Salts have the form  $AB_2(SO_4)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ , where A is a divalent ion and B is a monovalent ion. (Hermann, 1937) formally lists  $Mg(NH_4)_2(SO_4)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  as the prototype, but notes that one may have “other monovalent metals in place of  $NH_4$  and divalent [metals] in place of Mg.” We choose the  $Cu(NH_4)_2(SO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O$  as the prototype because (Brown, 1969) were able to locate all of the hydrogen ions in agreement with expectation, *i.e.*,  $H_2O$  molecules have properly bent H-O bonds, and the hydrogen atoms in the ammonium ion form a tetrahedron around the nitrogen atom.
- The atomic positions were originally given in the  $P2_1/a$  setting of space group #14. We used FINDSYM to convert this to the standard  $P2_1/c$  setting. This resulted in the  $a$  and  $c$  axes being swapped.

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### Simple Monoclinic primitive vectors

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_1 &= a \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ \mathbf{a}_2 &= b \hat{\mathbf{y}} \\ \mathbf{a}_3 &= c \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{x}} + c \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} \end{aligned}$$




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### Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$0$	$=$	$0$	(2a)	Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2} c \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2} c \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2a)	Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_2 + cz_2 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$-x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_2 + c(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$-x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_2 + cz_2 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_2 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_2 + c(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_3 + cz_3 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_3 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$-x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_3 + c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$-x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_3 + cz_3 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_3 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_3 + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_4 + cz_4 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_4 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H III
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$-x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_4 + c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H III
$\mathbf{B}_{13}$	$-x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_4 + cz_4 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_4 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H III
$\mathbf{B}_{14}$	$x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_4 + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H III
$\mathbf{B}_{15}$	$x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_5 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H IV
$\mathbf{B}_{16}$	$-x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_5 + c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H IV
$\mathbf{B}_{17}$	$-x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_5 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H IV
$\mathbf{B}_{18}$	$x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$(ax_5 + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	H IV





$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}_{73} &= -x_{19} \mathbf{a}_1 - y_{19} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{19} \mathbf{a}_3 &= & - (ax_{19} + cz_{19} \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_{19} \hat{\mathbf{y}} - & (4e) & \text{O VII} \\
& & & & & & cz_{19} \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\
\mathbf{B}_{74} &= x_{19} \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_{19} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + &= & (ax_{19} + c(z_{19} + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - & (4e) & \text{O VII} \\
& & & & & & b(y_{19} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_{19} + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\
\mathbf{B}_{75} &= x_{20} \mathbf{a}_1 + y_{20} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{20} \mathbf{a}_3 &= & (ax_{20} + cz_{20} \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_{20} \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_{20} \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4e) & \text{S I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{76} &= -x_{20} \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_{20} + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - &= & - (ax_{20} + c(z_{20} - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + & (4e) & \text{S I} \\
& & & & & & b(y_{20} + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_{20} - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\
\mathbf{B}_{77} &= -x_{20} \mathbf{a}_1 - y_{20} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{20} \mathbf{a}_3 &= & - (ax_{20} + cz_{20} \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_{20} \hat{\mathbf{y}} - & (4e) & \text{S I} \\
& & & & & & cz_{20} \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\
\mathbf{B}_{78} &= x_{20} \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_{20} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + &= & (ax_{20} + c(z_{20} + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - & (4e) & \text{S I} \\
& & & & & & b(y_{20} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_{20} + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}
\end{aligned}$$

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