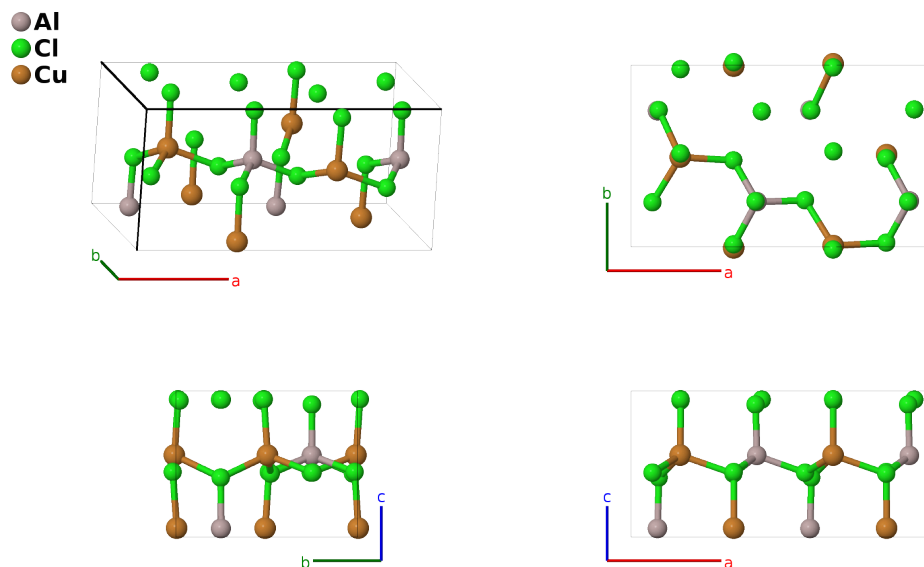


# $\beta$ -CuAlCl<sub>4</sub> Structure: AB4C\_oP24\_33\_a\_4a\_a-001

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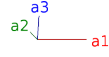
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## Other compounds with this structure

$\beta$ -CuAlCl<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>,  $\beta$ -CuAlCl<sub>3</sub>Br,  $\beta$ -CuAlClBr<sub>3</sub>,  $\beta$ -CuGaCl<sub>4</sub>

- This is a meta-stable structure of CuAlCl<sub>4</sub>. The ground state is the tetragonal  $\alpha$ -CuAlCl<sub>4</sub> structure.

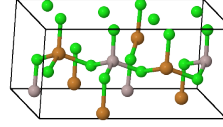
## Simple Orthorhombic primitive vectors



$$\mathbf{a}_1 = a \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 = b \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_3 = c \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$



## Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$= x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Al I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$= -x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Al I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$= (x_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Al I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$= -(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Al I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$= x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$= -x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl I
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$= (x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl I
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$= -(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl I
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$= x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl II
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$= -x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl II
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$= (x_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl II
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$= -(x_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl II
$\mathbf{B}_{13}$	$= x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_4 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl III
$\mathbf{B}_{14}$	$= -x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_4 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl III
$\mathbf{B}_{15}$	$= (x_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl III
$\mathbf{B}_{16}$	$= -(x_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl III
$\mathbf{B}_{17}$	$= x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_5 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl IV
$\mathbf{B}_{18}$	$= -x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_5 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl IV
$\mathbf{B}_{19}$	$= (x_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl IV
$\mathbf{B}_{20}$	$= -(x_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cl IV
$\mathbf{B}_{21}$	$= x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_6 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_{22}$	$= -x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_6 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_{23}$	$= (x_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_{24}$	$= -(x_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4a)	Cu I

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