

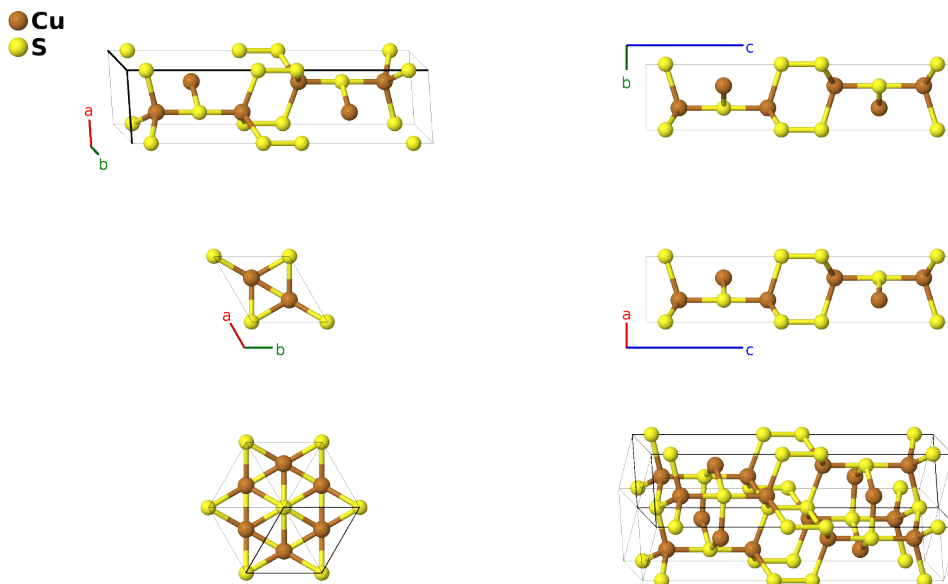
# Covellite (CuS, *B18*) Structure: AB\_hP12\_194\_cf\_de-001

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Prototype	CuS
AFLOW prototype label	AB_hP12_194_cf_de-001
<i>Strukturbericht</i> designation	<i>B18</i>
Mineral name	covellite
ICSD	41975
Pearson symbol	hP12
Space group number	194
Space group symbol	$P6_3/mmc$
AFLOW prototype command	<code>aflow --proto=AB_hP12_194_cf_de-001 --params=a, c/a, z3, z4</code>

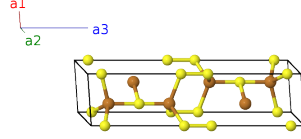
## Other compounds with this structure

CuSe

- We did not find an ICSD entry for (Ohmasa, 1977), so we use one from (Kalbskopf, 1975) which is quoted in our source paper.

## Hexagonal primitive vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a}_1 &= \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} \\ \mathbf{a}_2 &= \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} \\ \mathbf{a}_3 &= c \hat{\mathbf{z}}\end{aligned}$$



## Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$= \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2c)	Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$= \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2c)	Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$= \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2d)	S I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$= \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(2d)	S I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$= z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$cz_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	S II
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$= (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	S II
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$= -z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-cz_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	S II
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$= -(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	S II
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$= \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4f)	Cu II
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$= \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4f)	Cu II
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$= \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4f)	Cu II
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$= \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4f)	Cu II

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