

α -CuZrF₆ Structure:

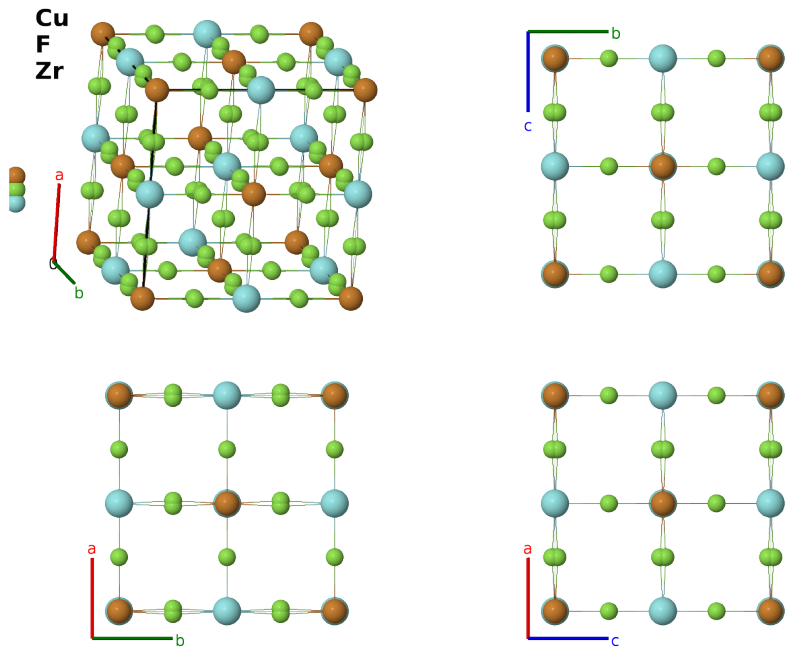
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Prototype	CuF ₆ Zr
AFLOW prototype label	AB12C_cF56_202_a_h_b-001
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CCDC	1604560
Pearson symbol	cF56
Space group number	202
Space group symbol	$Fm\bar{3}$
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- CuZrF₆ exists in four forms, depending on the temperature. Structures below 500K show evidence of a Jahn-Teller distortion.
 - α' -CuZrF₆ is the high temperature cubic form. Evidence from (Propach, 1978) shows this to be stable above ≈ 450 K. We use the lattice constant at 500K.

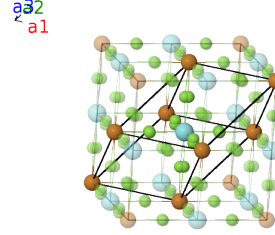
- α -CuZrF₆ (this structure) is stable above 383K. The fluorine (6f) sites are doubled, with only one of each pair occupied. We use data taken at 393K.
- β -CuZrF₆ is stable between 353 and 383K. In this case the Jahn-Teller distortion is locked in, so there are only six fluorine sites, all fully occupied.
- γ -CuZrF₆ is stable below 353K. Again each fluorine site is only half-filled.

Face-centered Cubic primitive vectors

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 = \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_3 = \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$



Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	=	0	=	0	(4a) Cu I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	=	$\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2}a \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4b) Zr I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	=	$(y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	=	$-(y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	=	$(y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	=	$-(y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_7$	=	$(y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_8$	=	$-(y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_9$	=	$(y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	=	$-(y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	=	$-(y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	=	$(y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_{13}$	=	$-(y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}}$	(48h) F I
$\mathbf{B}_{14}$	=	$(y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}}$	(48h) F I

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