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## APPENDIX A.

Calculation of the Number and Activity of Vibrations of a Molecule  $\text{XY}_4$   
Belonging to the Point Group Td.

a) Determination of the Infrared Activity.

Consider the rotation of a line joining the origin to a point ( $x, y, z$ ) through an angle  $\theta$ , in a clockwise sense, the new coordinates ( $x', y', z'$ ) are

$$x' = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$

$$y' = -x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta$$

$$z' = z$$

or in the matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

The character for this rotation  $\chi(C) = 1+2\cos \theta$ .

If the rotation is combined with a reflection, the new coordinates are :

$$x'' = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$

$$y'' = -x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta$$

$$z'' = -z$$

The character for the improper rotation  $\chi(S) = -1+2\cos \theta$ .

For the inversion,  $x = -x$ ,  $y = -y$  and  $z = -z$ , the character  $\chi(i)$  is -3 (by putting  $\theta = 180^\circ$  in  $-1+2\cos\theta$ )

For the reflection,  $x = -x$ ,  $y = y$ ,  $z = z$ , the character  $\chi(\sigma)$  is 1 (by putting  $\theta = 0^\circ$  in  $-1+2\cos\theta$ ).

The character  $\chi(\mu)$  of the reducible representation of the dipole moment  $T(\mu)$  is constructed as in Table 50, which shows the characters for each operation in  $T_d$ . + sign in  $\chi(\mu)$  refers to the proper rotations ( $C_n^k$ ). - sign refers to the improper rotations ( $S_n^k$ ), reflections ( $\sigma$ ) and inversion ( $i$ ).

Table 50. Calculation of  $\chi(\mu)$  for  $T_d$

$\theta^\circ$	E	$8 C_3$	$3 C_2$	$6 S_4$	$6 \sigma_d$
0	120	180	90	0	
$\chi(\mu) = \pm 1+2 \cos\theta$	3	0	-1	-1	1

Table 51. Character table of  $T_d$

$T_d$ (h=24)	E	$8 C_3$	$3 C_2$	$6 S_4$	$6 \sigma_d$
$A_1$	1	1	1	1	1
$A_2$	1	1	1	-1	-1
E	2	-1	2	0	0
$T_1$	3	0	-1	1	-1
$T_2$	3	0	-1	-1	1

To determine how many times each of the irreducible representations  $T_j$  of  $T_d$ , occurs in the reducible representation of the dipole moment  $\Gamma(\mu)$ , the following formula is applied.

$$\alpha_j = \frac{1}{h} \sum_R n \chi(R) \chi_j(R)$$

$\alpha_j$  is the number of times  $T_j$  appears in  $\Gamma(\mu)$ .

$h$  is the number of operations in the point group.

$n$  is the number of elements in the class of operation.

$\chi(R)$  is the character of the reducible representation  $\Gamma(\mu)$ .

$\chi_j(R)$  is the character of the irreducible representation  $T_j$ .

$\alpha_j$  can be calculated by using the character of the reducible representations in Table 50 and the character of the irreducible representations in Table 51. Since there are 24 operations in  $T_d$ ,  $h = 24$ .

$$\alpha_{A_1} = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(1)(3) + (8)(1)(0) + (3)(1)(-1) + (6)(1)(-1) + (6)(1)(1)] = 0$$

$$\alpha_{A_2} = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(1)(3) + (8)(1)(0) + (3)(1)(-1) + (6)(1)(-1) + (6)(1)(-1)] = 0$$

$$\alpha_E = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(2)(3) + (8)(-1)(0) + (3)(2)(-1) + (6)(-1)(0) + (6)(1)(0)] = 0$$

$$\alpha_T = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(3)(3) + (8)(0)(0) + (3)(-1)(-1) + (6)(1)(-1) + (6)(1)(-1)] = 0$$

$$\alpha_{T_2} = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(3)(3) + (8)(0)(0) + (3)(-1)(-1) + (6)(-1)(-1) + (6)(1)(1)] = 1$$

If vibrations of an irreducible representation are infrared active,  $\alpha_j$  will be equal to 1, if they are inactive,  $\alpha_j$  will be zero.

It is seen that  $T_2$  occurs once in the reducible representation of the dipole moment  $\Gamma(\mu)$ , therefore only  $T_2$  is infrared active.

b) Determination of the Raman Activity

Consider the polarizability referred to two sets of axes  $ox, oy, oz$ ;  $ox', oy', oz'$ . If a rotation by an angle  $\theta$  about the  $z$ -axis causes the components of the polarizability to undergo the changes  $\alpha_{xx} \rightarrow \alpha'_{xx}$ ,  $\alpha_{yy} \rightarrow \alpha'_{yy}$ , ...etc. The new six components of the polarizability are :

$$\alpha'_{xx} = \alpha_{xx} \cos^2 \theta + \alpha_{yy} \sin^2 \theta + 2\alpha_{xy} \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\alpha'_{yy} = \alpha_{xx} \sin^2 \theta + \alpha_{yy} \cos^2 \theta - 2\alpha_{xy} \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\alpha'_{zz} = \alpha_{zz}$$

$$\alpha'_{yz} = \frac{+\alpha_{xz} \cos \theta - \alpha_{zy} \sin \theta}{-\alpha_{yz} \sin \theta + \alpha_{zx} \cos \theta}$$

$$\alpha'_{zx} = \frac{+\alpha_{yz} \sin \theta + \alpha_{zx} \cos \theta}{-\alpha_{yz} \sin \theta - \alpha_{zx} \cos \theta}$$

$$\alpha'_{xy} = -\alpha_{xx} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \alpha_{yz} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \alpha_{xy} (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta)$$

or in the matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha'_{xx} \\ \alpha'_{yy} \\ \alpha'_{zz} \\ \alpha'_{xy} \\ \alpha'_{yz} \\ \alpha'_{zx} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \theta & \sin^2 \theta & 0 & 2\sin \theta \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 0 & -2\sin \theta \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta \cos \theta & 0 & 0 & 2\cos^2 \theta - 1 & \sin \theta \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{+\cos \theta}{-\sin \theta} & \frac{-\sin \theta}{+\cos \theta} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{+\sin \theta}{-\cos \theta} & \frac{-\cos \theta}{+\sin \theta} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{xx} \\ \alpha_{yy} \\ \alpha_{zz} \\ \alpha_{xy} \\ \alpha_{yz} \\ \alpha_{zx} \end{bmatrix}$$

The character of the transformation matrix is

$$4 \cos^2 \theta \pm 2 \cos \theta, \text{ or } 2 \cos \theta (\pm 1 + 2\cos \theta)$$

+ sign refers to the proper rotations ( $C_n^k$ ).

- sign refers to the improper rotations ( $S_n^k$ ), reflection (6)

and inversion (i).

The character  $\chi(\alpha)$  of the reducible representation for the polarizability  $\Gamma(\alpha)$  is constructed in Table 52. which shows the characters for each operation in  $T_d$ .

Table 52. Calculation of  $\chi(\alpha)$  for the point group  $T_d$

	E	$8 C_3$	$3C_2$	$6 S_4$	$6 \sigma_d$
$\theta$	0	120	180	90	0
$\chi(\alpha) = 2\cos\theta (\pm 1 + 2\cos\theta)$	6	0	2	0	2

To determine how many times each of the irreducible representations  $\Gamma_j$  of  $T_d$  occurs in the reducible representations of the polarizability  $\Gamma(\alpha)$ , the formula  $a_j = \frac{1}{h} \sum_R \chi(R) \chi_j(R)$  is used as in the procedure previously described.

$a_j$  can be calculated by using the character of the reducible representations in Table 52. and the character of the irreducible representations in Table 51.

$$a(A_1) = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(1)(6) + (8)(1)(0) + (3)(1)(2) + (6)(1)(0) + (6)(1)(2)] = 1$$

$$a(A_2) = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(1)(6) + (8)(1)(0) + (3)(1)(2) + (6)(-1)(0) + (6)(-1)(2)] = 0$$

$$a(E) = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(2)(6) + (8)(-1)(0) + (3)(2)(2) + (6)(0)(0) + (6)(0)(2)] = 1$$

$$a(T_1) = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(3)(6) + (8)(0)(0) + (3)(-1)(2) + (6)(1)(0) + (6)(-1)(2)] = 0$$

$$a(T_2) = \frac{1}{24} [(1)(3)(6) + (8)(0)(0) + (3)(-1)(2) + (6)(-1)(0) + (6)(1)(2)] = 1$$

It is seen that the irreducible representations  $A_1$ ,  $E$  and  $T_2$  occur in the reducible representation of the polarizability  $\Gamma(\alpha)$ , therefore,  $A_1$ ,  $E$  and  $T_2$  are Raman active.

## APPENDIX B.

### The Determination of Unit Cell Parameters by X-ray Powder Diffraction

#### Method.

From Bragg law,

$$\begin{aligned} n \frac{\lambda}{d}^2 &= 2 d \sin \theta \\ \left(\frac{1}{d}\right)^2 &= \left(\frac{2 \sin \theta}{\lambda}\right)^2 \quad (n=1) \\ &= \frac{4 \sin^2 \theta}{\lambda^2} \end{aligned}$$

In orthorhombic system, the interplanar spacing  $d_{hkl}$ , is a function both of the plane indices  $(hkl)$ , and the lattice constants  $(a, b, c)$  as in the following :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{d^2} &= \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \\ \frac{4 \sin^2 \theta}{\lambda^2} &= \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \\ \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda}\right)^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{h^2}{a^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right) \\ \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda}\right)^2 &= A h^2 + B k^2 + C l^2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $A = \frac{1}{4 a^2}$

$$B = \frac{1}{4 b^2}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{4 c^2}$$

Least Square Method.

$$A h^2 + B k^2 + C l^2 = \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} \right)^2 \quad (1)$$

$$A \xi h^2 + B \xi k^2 + C \xi l^2 = \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} \right)^2 \quad (2)$$

(1)  $x h^2$ 

$$\begin{aligned} A h^4 + B h^2 k^2 + C h^2 l^2 &= \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} h \right)^2 \\ A \xi h^4 + B \xi (h^2 k^2) + C \xi (h^2 l^2) &= \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} h \right)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

(1)  $x k^2$ 

$$\begin{aligned} A h^2 k^2 + B k^4 + C k^2 l^2 &= \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} k \right)^2 \\ A \xi (h^2 k^2) + B \xi k^4 + C \xi (k^2 l^2) &= \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} k \right)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

(2)  $x \xi (h^2 k^2)$ 

$$A \xi h^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) + B \xi k^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) + C \xi l^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) = \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} \right)^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) \quad (5)$$

(3)  $x \xi k^2$ 

$$A \xi h^4 \xi k^2 + B \xi k^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) + C \xi k^2 \xi (h^2 l^2) = \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} h \right)^2 \xi k^2 \quad (6)$$

(5)-(6)

$$A \left[ \xi h^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) - \xi h^4 \xi k^2 \right] + C \left[ \xi l^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) - \xi k^2 \xi (h^2 l^2) \right] = \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} \right)^2 \xi (h^2 k^2) - \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} h \right)^2 \xi k^2 \quad (7)$$

(3)  $x \xi (k^2 l^2)$ 

$$A \xi h^4 \xi (k^2 l^2) + B \xi (h^2 k^2) \xi (k^2 l^2) + C \xi (h^2 l^2) \xi (k^2 l^2) = \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} h \right)^2 \xi (k^2 l^2) \quad (8)$$

(4)  $x \xi (h^2 l^2)$ 

$$A \xi (h^2 k^2) \xi (h^2 l^2) + B \xi k^4 \xi (h^2 l^2) + C \xi (h^2 l^2) \xi (k^2 l^2) = \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} k \right)^2 \xi (h^2 l^2) \quad (9)$$

(8)-(9)

$$A \left[ \xi h^4 \xi (k^2 l^2) - \xi (h^2 k^2) \xi (h^2 l^2) \right] + B \left[ \xi (h^2 k^2) \xi (k^2 l^2) - \xi k^4 \xi (h^2 l^2) \right] = \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} h \right)^2 \xi (k^2 l^2) - \xi \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} k \right)^2 \xi (h^2 l^2) \quad (10)$$

$$(2) \underline{x} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)}$$

$$A \underline{\zeta h^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} + B \underline{\zeta k^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} + C \underline{\zeta l^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} = \underline{\zeta \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} \right)^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} \quad (11)$$

$$(4) \underline{x} \underline{\zeta h^2}$$

$$A \underline{\zeta h^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} + B \underline{\zeta k^4} \underline{\zeta h^2} + C \underline{\zeta(k^2 l^2)} \underline{\zeta h^2} = \underline{\zeta \left( \frac{\sin \theta k}{\lambda} \right)^2} \underline{\zeta h^2} \quad (12)$$

$$(11) - (12)$$

$$B \left[ \underline{\zeta k^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} - \underline{\zeta k^4} \underline{\zeta h^2} \right] + C \left[ \underline{\zeta l^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} - \underline{\zeta(k^2 l^2)} \underline{\zeta h^2} \right] = \underline{\zeta \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} \right)^2} \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} - \underline{\zeta \left( \frac{\sin \theta k}{\lambda} \right)^2} \underline{\zeta h^2} \quad (13)$$

For convenience, the various terms are replaced by the following letters;

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\zeta h^2} &= P \\ \underline{\zeta h^4} &= Q \\ \underline{\zeta k^2} &= V \\ \underline{\zeta k^4} &= R \\ \underline{\zeta l^2} &= T \\ \underline{\zeta(h^2 k^2)} &= U \\ \underline{\zeta(h^2 l^2)} &= W \\ \underline{\zeta(k^2 l^2)} &= X \\ \underline{\zeta \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\lambda} \right)^2} &= Y \\ \underline{\zeta \left( \frac{\sin \theta \cdot h}{\lambda} \right)^2} &= Z \\ \underline{\zeta \left( \frac{\sin \theta \cdot k}{\lambda} \right)^2} &= S \end{aligned}$$

So,

(7) is written as:

$$A [P U - Q V] + C [T U - V W] = Y U - Z V \quad (14)$$

(10) is written as:

$$A [Q X - U W] + B [U X - R W] = Z X - S W \quad (15)$$

(13) is written as :

$$B [V U - R P] + C [T U - X P] = Y U - S P \quad (16)$$

Three unknown A, B, C can be found from three equations;  
14, 15, 16.

## APPENDIX C

### Crystal Structures of Potassium Chromate and Potassium Sulphate. (38)

#### Potassium Chromate

Potassium chromate has an orthorhombic system, space group Pnma ( $D_{2h}^{16}$ ), four formula units per unit cell ( $Z=4$ ).

The unit cell dimensions are :

$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$$

$$a = 7.61 \text{ \AA}$$

$$b = 5.92 \text{ \AA}$$

$$c = 10.10 \text{ \AA}$$

Table 53. Atomic positions and parameters of potassium chromate.

Atom	Position	x	y	z
K (1)	(4c)	0.644	1/4	0.417
K (2)	(4c)	0.000	1/4	-0.305
Cr	(4c)	0.230	1/4	0.417
O (1)	(4c)	0.019	1/4	0.417
O (2)	(4c)	0.300	1/4	0.561
O (3)	(8d)	0.300	0.028	0.345

Potassium Sulphate .

Potassium sulphate has an orthorhombic system, space group Pnma ( $D_{2h}^{16}$ ), four formula units per unit cell ( $Z = 4$ ).

The unit cell dimensions are :

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ \\ a &= 7.483 \text{ \AA} \\ b &= 5.772 \text{ \AA} \\ c &= 10.072 \text{ \AA}\end{aligned}$$

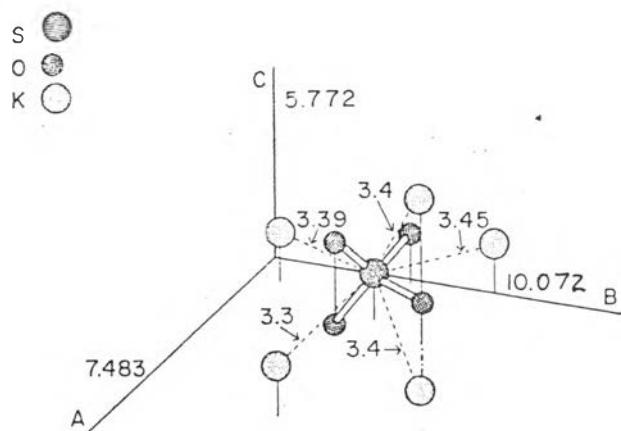
Table 54. Atomic positions and parameters of potassium sulphate .

Atom	Position	x	y	z
K (1)	(4c)	0.6768	1/4	0.4182
K (2)	(4c)	- 0.0115	1/4	- 0.2954
S	(4c)	0.2358	1/4	0.4155
O (1)	(4c)	0.0315	1/4	0.4032
O (2)	(4c)	0.2970	1/4	0.5579
O (3)	(8d)	0.2997	0.0410	0.3484

Table 55. Structural data and sulphate ion sites in potassium sulphate.

Site	x	y	z
S (1)	0.2358	0.4155	1/4
S (2)	-0.2358	-0.4155	- 1/4
S (3)	0.7358	0.0845	1/4
S (4)	-0.7358	-0.0845	- 1/4

The nearest potassium ions to the sulphur atom at (0.2358, 0.4155, 1/4) in the x, y and z directions are at (0.6768, 0.4182, 1/4), (0.1768, 0.0818, 1/4), and (0.3232, 0.5818, -1/4) with the distance of 3.300 Å, 3.390 Å, and 3.400 Å, respectively. ( See Figure 37. )



**Figure 37.** Potassium-sulphur distances of potassium sulphate.  
( 18 )

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