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1 Crystallographic parameterisation of distortions in the SOD framework in the sodalite and helvite  
2 groups: An analysis in condensed normal modes of an aristotype phase

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## 12 Abstract

13 Crystallographic distortions in the alternating aluminium and silicon tetrahedral framework of sodalite  
14 ( $\text{Na}_8\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{Cl}_2$ ), and beryllium and silicon in helvite ( $\text{Mn}_8\text{Be}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{S}_2$ ), (framework designated  
15 SOD) are described in terms of a set of condensed normal mode amplitudes and phases derived from  
16 an ideal tetrahedron of a theoretical aristotype phase. For a sodalite-structured hettotype phase in  
17 space group  $P\bar{4}3n$ , these normal modes transform as the irreducible representations  $A_1$ ,  $E(\alpha)$ ,  $T_1(z)$  of  
18 point group  $\bar{4}3m$ , where to a good approximation  $A_1$  acts as a pure breathing mode,  $E(\alpha)$  as a  
19 polyhedral distortive mode and  $T_1(z)$  as a rigid unit rotation about the unique  $\bar{4}$  axis of the T-site under  
20 consideration. Parameterisation of the mode amplitudes in terms of low-order polynomials as a  
21 function of thermodynamic variable permits the crystal structure of sodalite-structured phases to be  
22 accurately interpolated at intermediate values of the thermodynamic variable. Published data for the  
23 high temperature behaviour of sodalite have been re-analysed in terms of mode amplitudes which  
24 accurately reproduce the temperature dependence of the bond lengths, bond angles and the Al - O - Si  
25 inter-polyhedral angle. Full expressions for these derived structural parameters in terms of mode  
26 amplitudes and the lattice parameter are tabulated and agree with experimental results to within one  
27 estimated standard deviation of the experimental parameter. The potential for mode decomposition in  
28 lower symmetry SOD framework crystal structures is illustrated by deriving an aristotype structure for  
29 tugtupite ( $\text{Na}_8\text{Al}_2\text{Be}_2\text{Si}_8\text{O}_{24}\text{Cl}_2$ ) at room temperature in space group  $I\bar{4}$ .

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31 **Keywords:** sodalite, danalite, SOD framework, crystal structure, mode decomposition

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## 33 Introduction

34 The crystal structure of sodalite ( $\text{Na}_8\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{Cl}_2$ ) and the isostructural mineral helvine  
35 ( $\text{Mn}_8\text{Be}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{S}_2$ ) were first solved by Pauling (1930) following earlier determinations of the space  
36 group  $P\bar{4}3n$  by Barth (1926) and Gottfried (1927), and comparisons of the X-ray powder diffraction  
37 patterns of haiüyne ( $(\text{Na}, \text{Ca}, \text{K})_{4-8}\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6(\text{O}, \text{S})_{24}(\text{SO}_4, \text{Cl})_{1-2}$ ), nosean ( $(\text{Na}_8\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}(\text{SO}_4)\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O})$ ),  
38 sodalite and lazurite ( $(\text{Na}, \text{Ca})_{7-8}\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}(\text{SO}_4, \text{S}, \text{Cl})_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) with synthetic ultramarine (Jaeger et al.  
39 1927, Jaeger 1929). More recently, refinement of the crystal structure of sodalite at ambient  
40 temperature has been reported by Löns and Schulz (1967) and Hassan and Grundy (1984), and at high  
41 temperatures, by McMullan et al. (1996) using neutron single crystal diffraction, and by Hassan et al.  
42 (2004), using synchrotron powder diffraction. Other mineral species such as danalite ( $\text{Fe}_8\text{Be}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{S}_2$ )  
43 were recognised to be isostructural with sodalite and helvine and the crystal structure of danalite was  
44 refined at ambient temperature by Hassan and Grundy (1985), and at high temperatures, by Antao et  
45 al. (2003).

46 The sodalite structure type is characterised by an ordered alternating framework of  $\text{AlO}_4$  and  
47  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedra consistent with Loewenstein's rules (Loewenstein, 1954), whose nodes lie at the  
48 vertices of a close-packed truncated octahedra (Pauling, 1930; Deer et al. 2004; Smith, 1982;  
49 O'Keeffe and Hyde, 1996; Fischer and Bauer, 2009). The cubo-octahedral cages are bounded by six  
50 rings of four tetrahedra parallel to  $\{100\}$  and eight rings of six tetrahedra parallel to  $\{111\}$ . The  
51 sodium ions lie on three-fold axes adjacent to the six-membered rings and may be considered to be  
52 four-fold coordinated to one chlorine ion and three oxygen atoms, or seven-fold coordinated to a  
53 further set of three oxygen atoms. This latter set is at a distance not always considered to be a bonded

54 interaction ( $\sim 3.1 \text{ \AA}$ ), but have been deemed to play an important role in the thermal evolution on the  
55 sodalite crystal structure (Hassan et al., 2004). The chlorine anions are sited at the centre of the  
56 truncated octahedra and are bonded to four sodium cations in a tetrahedral coordination. The crystal  
57 structure of sodalite at ambient temperature (Hassan and Grundy, 1984) is illustrated in Figure 1: the  
58 topology of the framework has been designated SOD in the database of zeolite structures  
59 (<http://www.iza-structure.org/databases/>).

60 Pauling (1930) recognised the inherent three-dimensional flexibility of the sodalite  
61 framework structure, with the rigid corner-shared tetrahedra having the ability to tilt (rotate) against  
62 each other through the bridging oxygen atoms. In a manner similar to the well-studied perovskite-  
63 structured family (Howard and Stokes, 2004), the flexibility of the SOD framework coupled with the  
64 potential to order chemically distinct cations on the tetrahedral sites permits a wide variety of  
65 symmetry descents from the most symmetric topology. These have recently been reviewed by Fischer  
66 and Bauer (2009) using group theory with the concept of Bärnighausen trees (Bärnighausen, 1975;  
67 Müller, 2013); a similar, more rigorous analysis using isotropy subgroups (Stokes and Hatch, 1988)  
68 has yet to be attempted.

69 The highest symmetry that can be exhibited by the SOD framework topology with a single  
70 tetrahedral site (T-site) can be described in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$  and this was believed to be shown by  
71 the crystal structure of pure silica sodalite (Richardson et al., 1988), although subsequent work has  
72 shown this phase to be rhombohedral in space group  $R\bar{3}$  (King et al., 2009). In space group  $Im\bar{3}m$  the  
73 T-sites are not permitted to tilt relative to each other, and providing the T-sites remain close to  
74 tetrahedral geometry, it represents the fully expanded SOD topology (Taylor, 1983, 1984). Reduction  
75 in space group symmetry via condensation of a mode with irreducible representation  $\Gamma_2^-$  (Stokes and  
76 Hatch, 1988) results in a denser arrangement in space group  $I\bar{4}3m$  with a single T-site and where  
77 tetrahedral tilting is permitted. The transformation from  $Im\bar{3}m$  to  $I\bar{4}3m$  does not involve either a  
78 change in lattice basis nor an associated translation of the space group origin and the SOD topology is  
79 retained. Alternatively, an ordering of the twelve T-sites into two groups of six mediated by the scalar  
80 irreducible representation  $H_2^+$  (Stokes and Hatch, 1988) reduces the space group symmetry from  $Im\bar{3}m$   
81 to  $Pm\bar{3}n$  with no lattice basis change or origin translation. Tilting of the constituent tetrahedra is not  
82 permitted in this symmetry lowering of the SOD framework. Consideration of the space group  $Im\bar{3}m$   
83 shows that the space group of the sodalite structure-type,  $P\bar{4}3n$ , is not an isotropy subgroup of  $Im\bar{3}m$ ,  
84 however,  $P\bar{4}3n$  is an isotropy subgroup of  $I\bar{4}3m$  associated with the condensation of a mode with  
85 irreducible representation  $H_2$  (Stokes and Hatch, 1988). This mode is associated with the loss of body-  
86 centring translations (Bradley and Cracknell, 1972), and, as a result, there are two symmetry-  
87 independent T-sites as in space group  $Pm\bar{3}n$ . Furthermore, space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  is an isotropy subgroup  
88 of  $Pm\bar{3}n$  via the condensation of a mode with symmetry  $\Gamma_2^-$ . Once again, these transformations are  
89 associated without origin shift or change in lattice basis. Under the Landau and Lifschitz conditions  
90 (Stokes and Hatch, 1988), hypothetical structural phase transitions from  $Im\bar{3}m - I\bar{4}3m$ ,  $Im\bar{3}m - Pm\bar{3}n$ ,  
91  $I\bar{4}3m - P\bar{4}3n$  and  $Pm\bar{3}n - P\bar{4}3n$  are all permitted to be second order.

92 Further theoretical evidence for the intrinsic flexibility of the SOD framework has been  
93 afforded by the analysis of the rigid unit modes (RUMs) supported by the sodalite-structure  
94 (Hammonds et al. 1996; Dove et al., 2007). For the SOD topology in space groups  $Im\bar{3}m$  and  $I\bar{4}3m$

95 there is at least one RUM per wave vector in reciprocal space. However, in the sodalite-structured  
96 phase in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$ , this is no longer found to be the case (Dove et al., 2007), however high  
97 densities of RUMs exist in this space group. RUMs in the SOD framework in space group  $Pm\bar{3}n$   
98 remain to be evaluated.

99 Before high temperature determinations of the crystal structure of minerals became  
100 commonplace, attempts were made to predict the thermodynamic evolution of the crystal structure of  
101 framework compounds using geometric methods, pioneered in particular by Taylor and co-workers  
102 (Taylor, 1968; Taylor, 1972; Taylor, 1975; Taylor and Henderson, 1978; Dempsey and Taylor, 1980;  
103 Beagley et al., 1982; Taylor, 1983; Taylor, 1984). For the sodalite-structured phases, the O – O edges  
104 from the two symmetry independent tetrahedra that are bisected by the  $\bar{4}$  axes of the tetrahedra lie in  
105 the same plane as two reciprocal lattice vectors. The smaller angle that each of these edges makes  
106 with a coplanar reciprocal lattice vector is averaged and has been used geometrically with the average  
107 edge distance to predict the lattice parameter (Taylor, 1972). This basic model for has been extended  
108 by Hassan and Grundy (1984) to utilise the independent edge lengths and angles, and once calibrated  
109 against a known structure, can be used predictively for other sodalite-structured phases.

110 If the thermodynamic-dependence of the lattice parameter of a sodalite-structured phase is  
111 known, the crystal structure at each thermodynamic state may in theory be deduced from distance  
112 least squares (DLS) modelling (Meier and Villiger, 1969), subject to weighted constraints for bond  
113 lengths and bond angles (Dempsey and Taylor, 1980). Taylor and Henderson (1978) developed a  
114 computer model that permitted the effects of changing cavity cation and anion radii on the unit cell  
115 parameter, tetrahedral tilt angles and the intra-polyhedral rotation angle to be predicted. Neither DLS  
116 nor the models of Taylor and Henderson (1978) or the later work of Beagley et al. (1982) appear to  
117 have been tested against experimental results collected at high temperature, high pressure or  
118 composition in a solid solution. In recent years, structural crystallographic data have been determined  
119 on a number of sodalite-structured phases as a function of composition in the helvine group (Antao et  
120 al., 2021), in temperature in sodalite (Hassan et al., 2004), danalite (Antao et al., 2004a) and synthetic  
121 chromate aluminate sodalite (Antao et al., 2003), and in pressure in helvine (Kudoh and Takéuchi,  
122 1985). These data have all been interpreted in terms of conventional crystallographic analysis.

123 In this paper an alternative method for characterising and parameterising the SOD framework  
124 in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  is proposed in which the crystallographic coordination of the two symmetry  
125 independent T-sites is analysed in terms of condensed normal modes derived from an ideal aristotype  
126 SOD framework. The hypothesis of an aristotype as representing the highest crystallographic  
127 symmetry that can be attained, either theoretically or experimentally, from a lower symmetry phase  
128 has underpinned many studies of structural phase transitions (Buerger, 1947, 1961; Megaw, 1973).  
129 The lower symmetry phase(s), the hettotype(s) (Megaw, 1973) are related as isotropy subgroups of  
130 the aristotype space group (Stokes and Hatch, 1988). Applying the concept of an aristotype within a  
131 single phase with crystallographic degrees of freedom is significantly less common, and is predicated  
132 upon the structural degrees of freedom permitting an ideal polyhedral geometry. Examples where this  
133 has been successfully carried out are the framework structure of leucite (Knight and Henderson, 2019)  
134 and the crystal structure of cubic garnets (Knight, 2019). In the former case, the crystal structure may  
135 be thought of as a true aristotype in the sense of Megaw (1973), in the latter case the crystal structure  
136 should be considered to be prototypic, as the deduced crystal structure, whilst topologically correct, is  
137 crystal-chemically implausible (Knight, 2019). Despite this apparent setback, the normal mode  
138 decomposition derives correct bond lengths and angles and has shown, for the first time, that the  
139 octahedral site as well as the tetrahedral site in garnet undergoes a rigid body rotation. For the SOD

140 topology a set of oxygen fractional coordinates are sought that permit ideal tetrahedral geometry to  
 141 define the aristotype phase. Displacement vectors from the aristotype to the hettotype phase are  
 142 decomposed into normal mode amplitudes and phases for a set of symmetry adapted basis vectors that  
 143 are consistent with the point group symmetry of the hettotype T-sites. The methodology is  
 144 demonstrated using a crystal structure in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  at a fixed thermodynamic state before  
 145 being extended to crystal structures in the same space group that vary as a function of thermodynamic  
 146 variable. The results of sodalite at high temperature (Hassan et al., 2004) are re-evaluated to illustrate  
 147 the procedure.

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#### 149 **Defining aristotype crystal structures in space groups $Im\bar{3}m$ , $Pm\bar{3}n$ , $I\bar{4}3m$ and $P\bar{4}3n$**

150 In the discussion developed below, symmetry descent to the space groups that permit two tetrahedral  
 151 sites ( $Pm\bar{3}n$  and  $P\bar{4}3n$ ) is treated as if these sites were fully ordered. This argument is used for  
 152 simplicity but it should be noted that any degree of partial order that differentiates the two tetrahedral  
 153 sites would be equally acceptable. The subsequent section that deals with the methodology of mode  
 154 decomposition of the two tetrahedral sites in the SOD framework in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  is also treated  
 155 in the same manner, but again, the analysis is equally valid for partially ordered tetrahedral sites.

#### 156 *Space group $Im\bar{3}m$*

157 Fischer and Bauer (2009) considered the SOD framework in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$  to represent the  
 158 aristotype phase of a sodalite-structured phase, however, this ignores the fact that the oxygen  
 159 coordinate has a single degree of freedom ( $x, x, 1/2$ ) that permits non-ideal tetrahedral bond angle  
 160 geometry. The tetrahedral site in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$  in Wyckoff position  $12d$  exhibits point group  
 161 symmetry  $\bar{4}m2$ , and as a result of the tetragonal point group symmetry, the four T-site - anion bond  
 162 lengths are constrained to have equal magnitudes. This point group symmetry also permits two  
 163 independent tetrahedral bond angles of multiplicities two and four, with the unique roto-inversion axis  
 164 of the point group bisecting the bond angles of multiplicity two. For the T-site at  $(1/4, 0, 1/2)$  the roto-  
 165 inversion axis is directed along  $[-1\ 0\ 0]$  (or equivalently  $[1\ 0\ 0]$ ) as illustrated in Figure 2a. The  
 166 bonded anions lie on Wyckoff positions  $24h$  with point group symmetry  $mm2$  and a single degree of  
 167 structural freedom ( $x$ ) as detailed in Table 1. To derive the true aristotype crystal structure it is  
 168 necessary to find a real value of  $x$  that results in the two independent bond angles becoming equal.  
 169 The point group symmetry of the T-site is therefore raised from  $\bar{4}m2$  to  $\bar{4}3m$ , and ideal tetrahedral  
 170 geometry is therefore realised. This can be determined by equating the inner products of the bond  
 171 vectors  $\mathbf{r1.r2}$  with  $\mathbf{r1.r3}$  and solving the resultant quadratic equation  $x^2 - x + 1/8 = 0$ . Of the two  
 172 possible solutions, only the solution  $x = 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}$  ( $\sim 0.14645$ ) results in a crystallographically  
 173 acceptable bond length. The fractional coordinates of the anion with  $x = 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}$  defines the true

174 aristotype SOD framework structure in this space group with a T – O bond length of  $\frac{3a}{4} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}}$  Å,  
 175 intra-polyhedral angle (T – O – T)  $\cos^{-1}(-\sqrt{8}/3)$  ( $\sim 160.529^\circ$ ) and tetrahedral volume of  $(a^3/24)(3 -$   
 176  $\sqrt{8})^{1.5}$  Å<sup>3</sup> (where  $a$  is the lattice parameter).

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#### 178 *Space group $Pm\bar{3}n$*

179 The loss of mirror plane lying at  $x, x, z$  and the reduction in symmetry associated with the four-fold  
 180 rotation axis along  $0, 0, z$  becoming a two-fold rotation axis (and symmetry equivalents under  $\bar{3}$  point  
 181 group symmetry) reduces the space group symmetry from  $Im\bar{3}m$  to  $Pm\bar{3}n$ . The descent in symmetry  
 182 results in the single T-site in  $Im\bar{3}m$  in Wyckoff site  $12d$  becoming two tetrahedral sites with Wyckoff  
 183 positions  $6c$  ( $1/4, 0, 1/2$ ) and  $6d$  ( $1/2, 0, 3/4$ ) but retaining the site point group symmetry  $\bar{4}m2$  (noting  
 184 that the Wyckoff notation for the two sites is the reverse of that designated for space group  $P\bar{4}3n$ ).  
 185 The unique roto-inversion axis lies parallel to  $[-1\ 0\ 0]$  (equivalently  $[1\ 0\ 0]$ ) for the site  $6c$  at ( $1/4, 0,$   
 186  $1/2$ ), and parallel to  $[0\ 0\ -1]$  (equivalently  $[0\ 0\ 1]$ ) for site  $6d$  at ( $1/2, 0, 3/4$ ). The coordinating anions  
 187 lie on a mirror plane with Wyckoff position  $24k$  ( $x, y, 1/2$ ) as listed in Table 1, with the difference in  
 188  $x$  and  $y$  permitting different bond lengths to be associated with the two independent T-sites. The  
 189 identical, tetragonal point group symmetry for both T-sites ensures that the four bond lengths  
 190 associated with either site are identical in length and have two sets of bond angles of multiplicities  
 191 two and four. The unique roto-inversion axis bisects the bond angles of multiplicity two and the local  
 192 geometry is illustrated in Figure 2b. Defining the aristotype sodalite structure for this space group as  
 193 the fractional coordinate of the anion that results in ideal tetrahedral bond angles at both T-sites, a  
 194 solution is sought where  $\mathbf{r1.r2}/|\mathbf{r1.r2}| = \mathbf{r1.r3}/|\mathbf{r1.r3}|, \mathbf{r5.r6}/|\mathbf{r5.r6}|, \mathbf{r5.r7}/|\mathbf{r5.r7}| = -1/3$ . Equating  
 195  $\mathbf{r1.r2}/|\mathbf{r1.r2}| = \mathbf{r5.r6}/|\mathbf{r5.r6}|$  finds the single acceptable solution  $x = y$ , and equating  $\mathbf{r1.r2}/|\mathbf{r1.r2}| =$   
 196  $\mathbf{r1.r3}/|\mathbf{r1.r3}|$  results in the quadratic equation  $x^2 - x + 1/8 = 0$  with solution  $x = 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}$ . The  
 197 aristotype structure is therefore identical to that derived for space group  $Im\bar{3}m$  with a single T – O

198 bond length of  $\frac{3a}{4} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}}$  Å, intra-polyhedral angle  $\cos^{-1}(-\sqrt{8}/3)$  and tetrahedral volume of  $(a^3/24)(3$   
 199  $-\sqrt{8})^{1.5}$  Å<sup>3</sup>.

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### 201 Space group $I\bar{4}3m$

202 The tetrahedral site in space group  $I\bar{4}3m$  in Wyckoff position  $12d$  exhibits point group symmetry  $\bar{4}$ ,  
 203 and as in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$ , the four T-site - anion bond lengths are constrained by the tetragonal  
 204 symmetry to have equal magnitudes. The point group symmetry permits two independent tetrahedral  
 205 bond angles of multiplicities two and four with the unique roto-inversion axis bisecting the bond  
 206 angles of multiplicity two. The orientation of the roto-inversion axis associated with the T-site at ( $1/4,$   
 207  $0, 1/2$ ) is unchanged from that in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$ , as illustrated in Figure 2c. The bonded anions lie  
 208 on a mirror plane in Wyckoff positions  $24g$  and two degrees of structural freedom ( $x, x, z$ ) as detailed  
 209 in Table 1. To derive an aristotype structure, values of  $x$  and  $z$  are therefore sought that result in the  
 210 two independent bond angles becoming equal. The point group symmetry of the T-site is then raised  
 211 from  $\bar{4}$  to  $\bar{4}3m$  and ideal tetrahedral geometry is realised. Equating the inner products of the bond  
 212 vectors  $\mathbf{r1.r2}$  with  $\mathbf{r1.r3}$  results in the polynomial equation  $x^2 - x - z^2 + z - 1/8 = 0$  indicating that an  
 213 infinite set of solutions are possible. The range of solutions is clearly reduced by the constraint of an  
 214 acceptable bond length for the T-site and anion under consideration, but despite this constraint, there  
 215 is not a unique aristotype framework structure in space group  $I\bar{4}3m$ . For chosen  $z$  and calculated  $x$ ,  
 216 the aristotype T – O bond length is  $\sqrt{3}a(\Delta - 1/4)$ , intra-polyhedral angle  $\cos^{-1}((5/4 + 3z^2 - 3z - 3\Delta/2)/$   
 217  $21/16 + 3z^2 - 3z - 3\Delta/2)$  and tetrahedral volume  $((8a^3)/(9\sqrt{3}))(21/16 + 3z^2 - 3z - 3\Delta/2)^{3/2}$  with  $\Delta$   
 218 defined as  $(3/8 - z + z^2)^{1/2}$ . Analysis of the intra-polyhedral angle function shows it to exhibit a single  
 219 maximum at  $z = 0.5$  for acceptable values of  $z$ . The solution derived for space group  $Im\bar{3}m$ ,  $x = 1/2 -$

220  $1/\sqrt{8}$ ,  $z = 1/2$ , satisfies the polynomial equation above and therefore represents one of the many  
221 aristotype framework structures for space group  $I\bar{4}3m$ . A mineralogical example of the SOD  
222 framework within this space group is afforded by the phase bicchulite ( $\text{Ca}_8\text{Al}_8\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{24}(\text{OH})_8$ ) (Sahl,  
223 1980).

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### 225 *Space group $P\bar{4}3n$*

226 The symmetry lowering in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  from space group  $I\bar{4}3m$  associated with the loss of  
227 body-centring translations gives rise to two tetrahedral sites with 6-fold multiplicity and point group  
228 symmetry  $\bar{4}$ , as shown in Figure 2d. The Wyckoff site  $6d$  at  $(1/4, 0, 1/2)$  is identical in character to the  
229 position  $(1/4, 0, 1/2)$  in Wyckoff site  $12d$  associated with space groups  $Im\bar{3}m$  and  $I\bar{4}3m$ , and  $6c$  in  
230 space group  $Pm\bar{3}n$ . In an identical manner to Wyckoff site  $6d$  in space group  $Pm\bar{3}n$ , the symmetry  
231 independent T-site at Wyckoff position  $6c$   $(1/2, 0, 3/4)$  is associated with the roto-inversion axis  
232 directed along  $[0\ 0\ -1]$  (or equivalently  $[0\ 0\ 1]$ ), and, as in position  $6d$ , bisects the bond angle with  
233 two-fold multiplicity. Anion fractional coordinates are in the general equivalent position in Wyckoff  
234 site  $24i$  as listed in Table 1. Making the definition that the aristotype in this space group is the  
235 framework structure in which both T-sites are ideal tetrahedra with identical bond lengths, there are  
236 additional simultaneous constraints that have to be applied to determine any possible solution. Firstly,  
237 the bond length equivalence implies  $\mathbf{r1.r1} = \mathbf{r5.r5}$ , and secondly, the bond angle equivalence requires  
238 that  $\mathbf{r1.r2}/|\mathbf{r1.r2}| = \mathbf{r1.r3}/|\mathbf{r1.r3}|$ ,  $\mathbf{r5.r6}/|\mathbf{r5.r6}|$ ,  $\mathbf{r5.r7}/|\mathbf{r5.r7}|$ . Expanding and equating the first and  
239 second inner product shows the bond length equivalence results in the equality  $1/2(y - x) = 0$  i.e.  $x = y$ ,  
240 and substituting this solution into the bond angle constraints results in the identical polynomial  
241 equation as found for the space group  $I\bar{4}3m$ ;  $x^2 - x - z^2 + z - 1/8 = 0$ . Hence, there are an infinite set of  
242 solutions  $(x, x, z)$ , the valid solutions being constrained by the bond length requirement. The  
243 expressions for the T – O bond length, T – O – T intra-polyhedral angle and tetrahedral volume that  
244 were derived for space group  $I\bar{4}3m$  are identical for the potential aristotype phases of space group  
245  $P\bar{4}3n$ . The solution derived for space groups  $Im\bar{3}m$ ,  $Pm\bar{3}n$  and  $I\bar{4}3m$ ,  $x = y = 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}$ ,  $z = 1/2$ ,  
246 satisfies the polynomial equation above and therefore represents one of the many potential aristotype  
247 framework structures for space group  $P\bar{4}3n$ .

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### 249 **Mode decomposition in space group $P\bar{4}3n$**

250 The methodology to be applied to the SOD framework is to compare the observed framework  
251 structure (hettotype) with an associated aristotype framework structure, and to analyse the distortions  
252 therefrom (the displacement vectors between identically labelled atoms in the two crystal structures)  
253 in terms of condensed normal modes of the ideal tetrahedral isolated  $\text{TO}_4$  ‘molecule’. To achieve this  
254 it is necessary to define a local orthonormal basis  $(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k})$  that brings the aristotype tetrahedron in  
255 absolute coordinates into an orientation that matches the basis to the constituent symmetry elements  
256 of the point group  $\bar{4}3m$ . In this case, the orthonormal basis is parallel to the three four-fold roto-  
257 inversion axes of the ideal tetrahedron, with the T-site translated to the origin, as shown in Figure 3.  
258 The basis is chosen such that the unique  $\bar{4}$  axis derived from the hettotype is parallel to  $\mathbf{k}$ . In this



259 basis, for a cube of side  $2l$ , the absolute coordinates of the  $\text{TO}_4$  tetrahedron in the aristotype are T (0,  
260 0, 0), O1 ( $-l, -l, l$ ), O2 ( $l, l, l$ ), O3 ( $l, -l, -l$ ) and O4 ( $-l, l, -l$ ).

261 The normal modes that are active in the parameterisation of the observed SOD framework are  
262 those of point group  $\bar{4}3m$  that are consistent with the point group symmetry of the hettotype phase,  $\bar{4}$ .  
263 It should be noted that, in general, the zero frequency modes of rigid body rotation and translation,  
264 that are discounted in normal mode analysis for free molecules (Bishop, 1972; Decius and Hexter,  
265 1977), may be present as frozen modes in a static crystal structure mode decomposition.

266 The three components of molecular displacements from each atom of the isolated  $\text{TO}_4$   
267 tetrahedron form a fifteen-dimensional vector basis of a reducible fifteen-dimensional representation ( $\Gamma_{15}$ )  
268 of point group  $\bar{4}3m$  (Bishop, 1972; El-Betanouny and Wooten, 2008). This representation is  
269 reducible using standard group theoretical methods (Bishop, 1972; Ladd, 2014) to yield the direct sum  
270 of irreducible representations.

$$271 \Gamma_{15} = A_1 \oplus E \oplus 3T_2 \oplus T_1 (1)$$

272 Consideration of the character table of point group  $\bar{4}3m$  shows that only the displacements that  
273 transform as the irreducible representations  $A_1$ ,  $E$  and  $T_1$  are consistent with point group  $\bar{4}$  (Bishop,  
274 1972; Ladd, 2014; El-Betanouny and Wooten, 2008), and furthermore, these only involve  
275 displacements of the anions. Symmetry-adapted basis-vectors were calculated for the ( $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ ) basis  
276 using standard projection operator methods (Ladd, 2014; El-Betanouny and Wooten, 2008), using  
277 results from the Bilbao Crystallographic Server (Aroyo et al., 2006), noting only one of the basis  
278 vectors that transform as the irreducible representations  $E$  and  $T_1$  is consistent with point group  
279 symmetry  $\bar{4}$  with the unique roto-inversion axis parallel to  $\mathbf{k}$ . These active modes are designated  $E(\alpha)$   
280 and  $T_1(z)$  for convenience. The symmetry-adapted basis-vectors in the ( $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ ) basis are illustrated in  
281 Figure 3 where it can be seen that  $A_1$  is a breathing mode,  $E(\alpha)$  is a tetrahedral distortion mode and  
282  $T_1(z)$  is effectively a rotation around  $\mathbf{k}$  for small basis vector displacements. The symmetry-adapted  
283 basis-vectors for the four anion positions are listed in Table 2. The amplitude and phase (sign) of the  
284 symmetry-adapted basis-vectors are written d1 for  $A_1$ , d2 for  $E(\alpha)$  and d3 for  $T_1(z)$ .

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286 *Mode displacements in a crystal structure in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  at a fixed thermodynamic state*

287 Without loss of generality, in the subsequent discussion, the aristotype SOD framework in space  
288 group  $P\bar{4}3n$  is chosen to be that defined by the selection of the  $z$  coordinate ( $x = 1/2 - \sqrt{z^2 - z - 3/8}$   
289 ). The methodology is equally valid for a given value of  $x$ , where the related  $z$  coordinate is calculated  
290 as  $1/2 - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 1/8}$ . The choice of which coordinate to use to define the aristotype crystal  
291 structure is arbitrary, however, using the  $z$  coordinate for the anion O1 at ( $\sim 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}$ ,  $\sim 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}$ ,  
292  $\sim 1/2$ ), or the average of the  $x$  and  $y$  coordinates of the same atom to define the aristotype  $x$  would be  
293 sensible options. For comparison with an actual or hypothetical crystal structure in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$ ,  
294 setting  $z = 1/2$  would be the best choice. In the subsequent analysis, the two tetrahedral sites are taken  
295 separately; site  $6d$  is described in detail, site  $6c$  simply follows in an analogous manner.

296 Transformation of the aristotype at site  $6d$  to the final orthonormal basis is achieved in three  
297 steps. Firstly, by a translation of the entire  $\text{TO}_4$  group by  $(1/4, 0, 1/2)$  bringing the site  $6d$  to the origin

298 of the orthonormal crystallographic space. Secondly, an intermediate basis  $\mathbf{e}_i$  is defined by the bond  
 299 vectors illustrated in Figure 2d as  $\mathbf{e}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1}{|\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{r}_4 - \mathbf{r}_3}{|\mathbf{r}_4 - \mathbf{r}_3|}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_3 = \mathbf{e}_1 \times \mathbf{e}_2$  thus bringing the unique  $\bar{4}$   
 300 axis parallel to  $\mathbf{e}_3$ ; transformation matrix  $\mathbf{M1}$ . For convenience and ease of subsequent matrix  
 301 manipulations, the parameter  $S$  is defined as  $S = \sqrt{(-1 + 2\Delta)^2 + (1 - 2z)^2}$ ,  $\Delta$  as defined earlier.

$$302 \quad \mathbf{M1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-1+2\Delta}{S} & \frac{1-2z}{S} \\ 0 & \frac{1-2z}{S} & \frac{1-2\Delta}{S} \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

303 The final basis ( $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ ) is derived from the intermediate basis with a passive rotation of  $\pi/4$  around  $\mathbf{e}_3$ ;  
 304 rotation matrix  $\mathbf{R}$ .

$$305 \quad \mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

306 As the both matrix  $\mathbf{M1}$  and the rotation matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  are orthogonal, their product is therefore also  
 307 orthogonal, and its inverse is the transpose of the product (Poole, 2014). The absolute coordinates of  
 308 the aristotype (primed) in the  $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$  basis, in terms of its fractional coordinates in the orthonormal  
 309 crystallographic basis, is therefore given by the product of the matrices ( $a\mathbf{T1} = a\mathbf{RM1}$ )

$$310 \quad \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix}_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{j},\mathbf{k}} = a \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}(\Delta+z-1)}{S} & \frac{\sqrt{2}(\Delta-z)}{S} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}(\Delta-z)}{S} & \frac{\sqrt{2}(-\Delta-z+1)}{S} \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}_{\hat{\mathbf{a}},\hat{\mathbf{b}},\hat{\mathbf{c}}} \quad (4)$$

311 where  $a$  is the lattice parameter of the hettotype. The coordinates of the aristotype in this basis are T  
 312 (0, 0, 0), O1 (-l, -l, l), O2 (l, l, l), O3 (l, -l, -l) and O4 (-l, l, -l) where  $l = a(\Delta - 1/4)$ .

313 To determine the displacement vectors from the aristotype to the hettotype, the hettotype  
 314 fractional coordinates are translated by (1/4, 0, 1/2) and then transformed by  $a\mathbf{T1}$  to the new basis.  
 315 Subtracting the transformed aristotype coordinates from the corresponding transformed hettotype  
 316 coordinates gives the four displacement vectors  $\Delta\mathbf{O}_i$   $i = 1 - 4$ . If the manipulations have been carried  
 317 out correctly, the four displacement vectors obey the symmetry operations of point group  $\bar{4}$ , for  
 318 example, the displacements at  $\Delta\mathbf{O}_4$  are related to those at  $\Delta\mathbf{O}_1$  by the symmetry operation  $\bar{4}^+$  (0, 0, z).

319 For the tetrahedral site 6c, the same sequence of operations is carried out, with the translation  
 320 vector in this case being (1/2, 0, 3/4), and the intermediate vector basis being defined by  $\mathbf{e}'_1 = \frac{\mathbf{r6} - \mathbf{r5}}{|\mathbf{r6} - \mathbf{r5}|}$   
 321 ,  $\mathbf{e}'_2 = \frac{\mathbf{r8} - \mathbf{r7}}{|\mathbf{r8} - \mathbf{r7}|}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}'_3 = \mathbf{e}'_1 \times \mathbf{e}'_2$ ; transformation matrix **M2**. The final basis (**i'**, **j'**, **k'**) is derived from the  
 322 intermediate basis with a passive rotation of  $\pi/4$  around  $\mathbf{e}'_3$ . The absolute coordinates of the aristotype  
 323 (primed) in the **i'**, **j'**, **k'** basis, in terms of its coordinates in the orthonormal crystallographic basis, is  
 324 therefore given by the product of the matrices ( $a\mathbf{T2} = a\mathbf{RM2}$ )

$$325 \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix}_{\mathbf{i}', \mathbf{j}', \mathbf{k}'} = a \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}(1-\Delta-z)}{S} & \frac{\sqrt{2}(-\Delta+z)}{S} & 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}(-\Delta+z)}{S} & \frac{\sqrt{2}(-1+\Delta+z)}{S} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}_{\widehat{\mathbf{a}}, \widehat{\mathbf{b}}, \widehat{\mathbf{c}}} \quad (5)$$

326 where  $a$  is the lattice parameter of the hettotype. The coordinates of the aristotype in this basis are T  
 327 (0, 0, 0), O4 (-l, -l, l), O6 (l, l, l), O7 (l, -l, -l) and O8 (-l, l, -l) where  $l = a(\sqrt{8} - 1/4)$ . The displacement  
 328 vectors  $\Delta\mathbf{O}_i$   $i = 4, 6 - 8$  follow accordingly.

329 Consideration of Table 2 shows the displacement vector  $\Delta\mathbf{O1}$  is related to the amplitudes and  
 330 phase of the symmetry-adapted basis-vectors **di** via the matrix **DO1** where

$$331 \begin{pmatrix} \Delta\mathbf{O1}_x \\ \Delta\mathbf{O1}_y \\ \Delta\mathbf{O1}_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d1 \\ d2 \\ d3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

332 and hence

$$333 \begin{pmatrix} d1 \\ d2 \\ d3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/3 & -1/3 & 1/3 \\ -1/6 & -1/6 & -1/3 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta\mathbf{O1}_x \\ \Delta\mathbf{O1}_y \\ \Delta\mathbf{O1}_z \end{pmatrix}. \quad (7)$$

334 Writing  $d1'$ ,  $d2'$  and  $d3'$  for the amplitude and phase of the displacements of the symmetry-adapted  
 335 basis-vectors associated with the 6c site and noting  $\Delta\mathbf{O4}$  shown below is given in the (**i'**, **j'**, **k'**) basis,  
 336 then

$$337 \begin{pmatrix} d1' \\ d2' \\ d3' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/3 & -1/3 & 1/3 \\ -1/6 & -1/6 & -1/3 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta\mathbf{O4}_x \\ \Delta\mathbf{O4}_y \\ \Delta\mathbf{O4}_z \end{pmatrix}. \quad (8)$$

338 Furthermore, writing the deviation of the fractional coordinates of the hettotype anion O1 ( $x_h$ ,  
 339  $y_h$ ,  $z_h$ ) from the aristotype as  $u = x_h - x$ ,  $v = y_h - x$  and  $w = z_h - z$  and carrying these calculations through  
 340 to completion gives  $d_i$  and  $d_i'$  directly in terms of  $u$ ,  $v$ ,  $w$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
d1 &= \frac{\sqrt{2}a}{3S} \left[ \frac{-Su}{\sqrt{2}} + (1-2\Delta)v + (2z-1)w \right] \\
d2 &= \frac{a}{3\sqrt{2}S} \left[ \sqrt{2}Su + (1-2\Delta)v + (2z-1)w \right] \\
d3 &= \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}S} \left[ (2z-1)v + (1-2\Delta)w \right] \\
d1' &= \frac{\sqrt{2}a}{3S} \left[ (1-2\Delta)u - \frac{Sv}{\sqrt{2}} + (2z-1)w \right] \\
d2' &= \frac{a}{3\sqrt{2}S} \left[ (1-2\Delta)u + \sqrt{2}Sv + (2z-1)w \right] \\
d3' &= \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}S} \left[ (2z-1)u + (1-2\Delta)w \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

342 The absolute coordinates of the two tetrahedral sites for the **i, j, k** and **i', j', k'** bases are listed in Table  
343 3.

344 Using the normal mode amplitudes, the derived structural parameters are given by:

345 (i) Tetrahedral bond lengths

$$346 \quad r1 = \sqrt{3a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + 6a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) d1 + 3d1^2 + 6d2^2 + 2d3^2} \tag{10}$$

$$347 \quad r5 = \sqrt{3a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + 6a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) d1' + 3d1'^2 + 6d2'^2 + 2d3'^2} \tag{11}$$

348 (ii) Tetrahedral edge lengths of multiplicity two

$$349 \quad \sqrt{8} \sqrt{a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + d1^2 + d2^2 + d3^2 + 2a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (d1 + d2) + 2d1d2} \tag{12}$$

$$350 \quad \sqrt{8} \sqrt{a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + d1'^2 + d2'^2 + d3'^2 + 2a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (d1' + d2') + 2d1'd2'} \tag{13}$$

351 (iii) Tetrahedral edge lengths of multiplicity four

$$352 \quad \sqrt{8} \sqrt{a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + d1^2 + \frac{5}{2}d2^2 + \frac{1}{2}d3^2 + a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (2d1 - d2) - d1d2} \tag{14}$$

$$353 \quad \sqrt{8} \sqrt{a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + d1'^2 + \frac{5}{2}d2'^2 + \frac{1}{2}d3'^2 + a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (2d1' - d2') - d1'd2'} \tag{15}$$

354 (iv) Bond angles of multiplicity two

$$355 \quad \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{-a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - 2a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (d1 + 4d2) - d1^2 + 2d2^2 - 2d3^2 - 8d1d2}{r1^2} \right) \quad (16)$$

$$356 \quad \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{-a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - 2a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (d1' + 4d2') - d1'^2 + 2d2'^2 - 2d3'^2 - 8d1'd2'}{r5^2} \right) \quad (17)$$

357 (v) Bond angles of multiplicity four

$$358 \quad \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{-a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - 2a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (d1 - 2d2) - d1^2 - 4d2^2 + 4d1d2}{r1^2} \right) \quad (18)$$

$$359 \quad \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{-a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - 2a \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) (d1' - 2d2') - d1'^2 - 4d2'^2 + 4d1'd2'}{r5^2} \right) \quad (19)$$

360 (vi) The intra polyhedral angle by

$$361 \quad \cos^{-1} \left( \left( \frac{1}{r1r5} \right) (A + B + C) \right)$$

$$A = \frac{a^2 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right)}{\sqrt{8S}} \left[ 3\sqrt{8}\Delta S + 2\Delta - 2\sqrt{2S} - 1 \right] \quad . \quad (20)$$

$$B = a \left[ d1 \left( 3 \left( \Delta - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{3\sqrt{8}\Delta S + 2\Delta - \sqrt{8S} - 1}{\sqrt{8S}} \right) \right) + d2 \left( \frac{2\Delta + \sqrt{2S} - 1}{\sqrt{8S}} \right) + d3 \left( \frac{1 - 2z}{\sqrt{8S}} \right) \right]$$

$$C = 3d1^2 + 6d2^2 + 2d3^2$$

362 Utilising crystallographic results from sodalite (Hassan and Grundy),  $a = 8.882 \text{ \AA}$ , Al (1/4, 0,  
363 1/2), Si (1/2, 0, 3/4) and O (0.1390, 0.1494, 0.4383), then with the aristotype  $z = 0.4383$  ( $x = 0.14110$ ,  
364  $\Delta = 0.3589$ ),  $d1 = 0.03806 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $d2 = 0.00969 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $d3 = -0.02082 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $d1' = -0.03263 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $d2' = 0.02053 \text{ \AA}$   
365 and  $d3' = 0.00529 \text{ \AA}$ . The observed (recalculated) bond lengths and bond angles are compared with  
366 the calculations from mode decomposition in Table 4 where the agreement is found to be close to  
367 exact.

368 The aristotype bond length is given by  $\sqrt{3}a(\Delta - 1/4)$  (1.6753  $\text{\AA}$ ), the calculated quadratic  
369 elongation and tetrahedral angle variance (Robinson et al., 1971) of the  $\text{AlO}_4$  site (6d) in sodalite are  
370 1.0008 and  $1.41^{\circ 2}$  respectively. At the  $\text{SiO}_4$  site (6c), the corresponding parameters are 1.0025 and  
371  $7.49^{\circ 2}$ . Approximating the ratio of the observed bond lengths to the aristotype bond length as a  
372 binomial expansion to first order, the dominant term in the expansion is found to be  $d1(')/a(\Delta - 1/4)$ .

373 Hence, with the choice of the aristotype  $z$  fractional coordinate made in this analysis, the effect of the  
 374 amplitude and phase of  $d_1$  and  $d_1'$  is to increase the Al – O bond length from the aristotype value with  
 375 the converse found for the Si – O bond length as  $d_1 > 0$  and  $d_1' < 0$ . The bond length changes are in  
 376 agreement with the observed Al – O and Si – O bond lengths in sodalite, and to a good approximation  
 377 in this aristotype definition,  $d_1(\prime)$  act as pure breathing modes. The polyhedral distortion that  
 378 transforms as the irreducible representation  $E(\alpha)$  is associated with the positive mode amplitudes  $d_2$   
 379 and  $d_2'$ , where  $d_2' > d_2$ , consistent with the larger quadratic elongation and tetrahedral angle variance  
 380 in the  $\text{SiO}_4$  group in sodalite. The  $\text{AlO}_4$  tetrahedron is rotated  $-0.44^\circ$  away from the aristotype  
 381 orientation around  $\mathbf{k}$ , the  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedron rotates in the opposite direction by  $0.11^\circ$  (

382  $\tan \varphi(\prime) = \frac{d_3(\prime)}{a(\Delta - 1/4)}$  ) as  $d_3 < 0$  and  $|d_3| > d_3'$ . Note that this interpretation as a rotation about the

383 unique axis is only valid in small displacements of  $d_3$  and  $d_3'$  i.e. in this case, setting aristotype  $z$  to  
 384 be the  $z$  fractional coordinate for the anion at  $(\sim 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}, \sim 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}, \sim 1/2)$ .

385 The analysis presented above is equally valid for the other three space groups discussed. For  
 386 example, if the crystal structure of bicchulite (Sahl, 1980) in space group  $I\bar{4}3m$  is analysed with the  
 387 undifferentiated tetrahedral site (T) at (0.25, 0.50, 0.0) and the oxygen anion (O) at (0.1407, 0.1407,  
 388 0.4220), mode decomposition yields  $d_1(\prime) = 1.873 \times 10^{-3} \text{ \AA}$ ,  $d_2(\prime) = 0.0131 \text{ \AA}$ , and  $d_3(\prime) = -8.4631.873$   
 389  $\times 10^{-3} \text{ \AA}$ , for aristotype  $z = 0.4220$ . The calculated and observed bond lengths and angles are T - O =  
 390  $1.7164 \text{ \AA}$  calc.,  $1.716(1) \text{ \AA}$  obs., O - T - O (multiplicity 2) =  $111.615^\circ$  calc.,  $111.6(1)^\circ$  obs.  
 391 (typographical error in Table 2 of Sahl (1980) reads  $111.9^\circ$ ), O - T - O (multiplicity 4) =  $108.410^\circ$   
 392 calc.,  $108.4(1)^\circ$  obs., T - O - T =  $130.712^\circ$  calc. and obs.. See later section for discussion of mode  
 393 and crystallographic degrees of freedom in this space group.

394 *Mode displacements in a crystal structure in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  as a function of thermodynamic*  
 395 *variable*

396 The methodology detailed above is particularly advantageous in the study of the SOD framework as a  
 397 function of thermodynamic variable such as temperature, pressure, or composition in a solid solution.  
 398 In these cases, the aristotype is defined at a fixed value of the thermodynamic variable, and the  
 399 evolving crystal structure as a function of this variable is derived in terms of the mode amplitudes.

400 The basis of the analysis is the observation that an aristotype in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  may be defined for  
 401 any set of fractional coordinates  $(x, x, z)$  where  $x$  and  $z$  satisfy the polynomial expression  $x^2 - x - z^2 + z$   
 402  $- 1/8 = 0$ . In mode decomposition as a function of thermodynamic variable, the optimal choice of  
 403 aristotype would be therefore be based on the  $z$  coordinate of the anion with fractional coordinates  
 404  $(\sim 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}, \sim 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{8}, \sim 1/2)$  at ambient pressure, for a study in pressure, the lowest temperature,  
 405 for a study in temperature, or an end member, for a study in composition. The aristotype is  
 406 transformed to absolute coordinates, as shown in the previous section, with lattice parameter  $a_a$  and  
 407 the hettotype is transformed identically, but in this case using its own lattice parameter  $a$ . The  
 408 displacement vectors from identically labelled anions in the aristotype and hettotype are mode  
 409 decomposed using the matrices shown earlier. The expressions for the bond lengths and bond angles  
 410 are unchanged from those listed earlier, only the lattice parameter  $a$  requires replacing with  $a_a$ . The  
 411 intra-polyhedral angle, however, is a more complex function than shown earlier, as the calculation  
 412 involves taking into account the requirement that the site 6c has to be transformed into the  $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$  basis.  
 413 Writing  $\Delta a = a - a_a$ , the intra-polyhedral angle is given by:

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\left(\frac{1}{r1r5}\right)(A+B+C+D)\right)$$

$$A = \frac{a_a^2 \left(\Delta - \frac{1}{4}\right)}{\sqrt{8S}} \left[3\sqrt{8\Delta S} + 2\Delta - 2\sqrt{2S} - 1\right]$$

$$414 \quad B = a_a \left[ \left(\frac{3\sqrt{8\Delta S} + 2\Delta - \sqrt{8S} - 1}{\sqrt{8S}}\right) d_1 + \left(\frac{2\Delta + \sqrt{2S} - 1}{\sqrt{8S}}\right) d_2 + \left(\frac{1-2z}{\sqrt{8S}}\right) d_3 \right] \quad . (21)$$

$$C = a_a \left(\Delta - \frac{1}{4}\right) \left[3d_1 + \frac{\Delta a}{\sqrt{8S}} \left(2\Delta - 1 - \frac{S}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right]$$

$$D = 3d_1^2 + 6d_2^2 + 2d_3^2 - \frac{\Delta a}{\sqrt{8S}} \left[ \left(-2\Delta + 1 + \frac{S}{\sqrt{2}}\right) d_1 + \left(-2\Delta + 1 - \sqrt{2S}\right) d_2 + (2z - 1) d_3 \right]$$

415 For the aristotype, where  $\Delta a = 0$ , the expression reduces to that shown previously for mode  
416 decomposition at a fixed thermodynamic state.

417 Taylor (1972) has defined the polyhedral tilt angles ( $\phi_{6c,d}$ ) for the two T-sites as the angle  
418 between a tetrahedral edge and the closest of the two reciprocal lattice vectors which are co-planar  
419 with the edge in question. The change in  $\phi_{6c,d}$  is a fundamental structural response to a change in  
420 thermodynamic state, and since it is related to the anion fractional coordinates, it can be described as a  
421 function of condensed mode amplitudes and phases. For a hettotype phase, the two polyhedral tilt  
422 angles generally have different magnitudes, however, in the aristotype phase these angles are identical  
423 ( $\phi$ ) and additional mode-related rotational term are required to be included to correctly evaluate the  
424 polyhedral tilt angles at the two T-sites.

$$\phi_{6c,d} = \phi \pm \Delta\phi_{6c,d}$$

$$\phi = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1-2\Delta}{\sqrt{(1-2\Delta)^2 + (1-2z)^2}}\right)$$

$$425 \quad \Delta\phi_{6c} = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{a_a (\Delta - 1/4) + d1' + d2'}{\sqrt{a_a^2 (\Delta - 1/4)^2 + 2a_a (\Delta - 1/4)(d1' + d2') + d1'^2 + d2'^2 + d3'^2 + 2d1'd2'}}\right) \quad (22)$$

$$\Delta\phi_{6d} = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{a_a (\Delta - 1/4) + d1 + d2}{\sqrt{a_a^2 (\Delta - 1/4)^2 + 2a_a (\Delta - 1/4)(d1 + d2) + d1^2 + d2^2 + d3^2 + 2d1d2}}\right)$$

426 The sign for  $\Delta\phi_{6c,d}$  is negative for  $\frac{a_a (\Delta - 1/4) + d1(') + d2(') - d3(')}{a_a (\Delta - 1/4) + d1(') + d2(') + d3(')} \geq 1$ , otherwise positive.

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428 *The temperature dependence of the crystal structure of sodalite*

429 The methodology of mode decomposition with respect to a reference aristotype phase is illustrated  
430 using the temperature dependence of the crystal structure of sodalite derived from profile fitting of  
431 synchrotron X-ray diffraction data (Hassan et al., 2004). It should be noted that the tabulated bond  
432 lengths and bond angles are not consistent with the fractional coordinates and lattice parameters given

433 in the publication, differing on average by one estimated standard deviation; the 28° C bond lengths  
 434 and angles are particularly in error. For the analysis reported here, all bond lengths and angles were  
 435 recalculated from the listed fractional coordinates and lattice parameters. The aristotype was defined  
 436 from the 28° C data set, using the  $z$  fractional coordinate of 0.43895 and lattice parameter of 8.88696  
 437 Å. The crystal structure at each of the 14 temperatures was mode decomposed by the method detailed  
 438 in the earlier section. As an example, the matrices, absolute coordinates, displacement vectors, mode  
 439 amplitudes and phases, and bond lengths and angles for the 982° C crystal structure are listed in Table  
 440 5; observed (i.e. recalculated) bond lengths and angles shown in italics. The agreement between mode  
 441 decomposition and calculation (observed) is excellent.

442 The temperature dependences of the six modes are illustrated in Figures 4a and b, and, as  
 443 expected for a phase that is evolving in the absence of a structural phase transition, all are found to  
 444 vary monotonically with temperature. Percentage changes in the mode amplitudes are -13.2, 63.1,  
 445 136.0, 10.9, 39.5, 216.8 for d1, d2, d3, d1', d2' and d3' respectively. The most significant changes are  
 446 associated with the modes that rotate the two tetrahedral sites relative to the aristotype orientation (d3,  
 447 d3'). The percentage variation of the breathing modes (d1, d1') are unsurprisingly much smaller and  
 448 hence show no evidence for disordering of the two tetrahedral sites. The full lines on these figures  
 449 show quartic polynomial fits to the mode data, noting that extrapolation beyond the range of the fits is  
 450 inadvisable in such high-order polynomials (Hahn, 1977). The dashed lines on the identical figures  
 451 show the mode expansivity ( $\frac{1}{di(')} \frac{ddi(')}{dT}$ ), with the exception of d3', as the magnitude of this mode  
 452 passes through 0 at a temperature of  $T = \sim 82.18$  °C. In this case, the mode expansivity is  
 453 approximated by  $\frac{1}{d3'(500^{\circ}\text{C})} \frac{dd3'}{dT}$ . Over the entire temperature interval, the mean mode expansion  
 454 coefficients are  $-1.43 \times 10^{-4}$  °C<sup>-1</sup>,  $8.21 \times 10^{-4}$  °C<sup>-1</sup>,  $19.22 \times 10^{-4}$  °C<sup>-1</sup>,  $1.20 \times 10^{-4}$  °C<sup>-1</sup>,  $4.89 \times 10^{-4}$  °C<sup>-1</sup>  
 455 and  $28.01 \times 10^{-4}$  °C<sup>-1</sup> for d1, d2, d3, d1', d2' and d3' respectively.

456 Using the polynomial parameterisation for the mode amplitudes and phases, and a quadratic  
 457 fit to the lattice parameter variation with temperature, the derived structural parameters were  
 458 calculated using the expressions shown earlier for the bond lengths/angles. The mode predicted  
 459 variations are illustrated in Figures 5a, b and c as the full lines where they are compared with the  
 460 observed results re-evaluated from the published fractional coordinates and lattice parameters. The  
 461 agreement is excellent with the mode derived values less than 1 estimated standard deviation of the  
 462 experimental values. The temperature invariance of the two T-site – O bond lengths is reproduced by  
 463 mode decomposition; the apparent oscillatory behaviour of Al – O is within the scatter of the  
 464 experimental results. Deducing a mechanism for the constant T-sites – O bond lengths with  
 465 temperature, however, is not easy to determine as  $\frac{1}{r} \frac{dr}{dT} = \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r^2} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dT}$ , and this algebraic expansion is  
 466 unfortunately too unwieldy to derive the dominant terms for either case.

467 With the exception of the temperature variations of the bond lengths and angles, structural  
 468 distortions of the two tetrahedral sites in sodalite were not considered in detail by Hassan et al. (2004).  
 469 Re-analysis of their published data shows that the volumes of the tetrahedral sites reduce in a linear  
 470 manner with increasing temperature as illustrated in Figure 6 where the volume of the AlO<sub>4</sub>  
 471 tetrahedron varies as  $(2.7105(1) - 9.6(2) \times 10^{-6} T) \text{ \AA}^3$  (T °C) ( $r^2 = 0.99375$ ), and the SiO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedron  
 472 as  $(2.1738(3) - 1.29(5) \times 10^{-5} T) \text{ \AA}^3$  (T °C) ( $r^2 = 0.97843$ ). The polyhedral distortion parameters of  
 473 quadratic elongation (QE) and tetrahedral angle variance (TAV) (Robinson et al., 1971) are found to



474 vary linearly with temperature for both sites (QE Al - O =  $1.00057 + 2.413 \times 10^{-6} T$  (T °C),  $r^2 =$   
475  $0.99336$ ; QE Si - O =  $1.00249 + 4.031 \times 10^{-6} T$ ,  $r^2 = 0.98836$ ; TAV/degrees<sup>2</sup> AlO<sub>4</sub> =  $2.2345 + 9.23 \times$   
476  $10^{-3} T$ ,  $r^2 = 0.99327$ ; TAV/degrees<sup>2</sup> SiO<sub>4</sub> =  $9.6045 + 1.51 \times 10^{-2} T$ ,  $r^2 = 0.98788$ ) but also vary  
477 monotonically with the corresponding value of the mode amplitudes that transform as the irreducible  
478 representation *E*, thus providing further evidence for this mode being related to the tetrahedral  
479 distortion. These variations with the *E* mode amplitude are shown in Figure 7 where the full and  
480 dashed lines are guides to the eye based on quadratic fits to the calculated distortion parameters. It  
481 should be noted that whilst the quadratic elongation and tetrahedral angle variance of the two T-sites  
482 are well separated as a function of temperature, the variation of the individual distortion parameter for  
483 both sites is almost continuous in the *E* mode amplitude. The lack of high temperature  
484 crystallographic results for other sodalite-structured phases precludes making any conclusion on  
485 whether this is typical or atypical behaviour.

486 Hassan et al. (2004) considered the structural basis for the thermal expansion of sodalite to be  
487 related to the temperature-induced weakening of the Na – Cl bonds. The migration of the Na ion  
488 towards the six-membered ring causes the tetrahedral sites to rotate relative to one another. Calculated  
489 bond valence sums (Brown, 2002) for the 7 coordinated NaO<sub>6</sub>Cl site show it to be slightly under-  
490 bonded at room temperature, and significantly under-bonded at the highest temperatures measured.  
491 Manual adjustment of the *R*<sub>0</sub> values by allowing them to have a temperature dependence ( $R_0(T) = R_0($   
492  $25 \text{ °C}) + cT$ ) (T °C)  $c \sim 9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ pm °C}^{-1}$  for Na – O, and  $c \sim 6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ pm °C}^{-1}$  for Na – Cl) gives a  
493 slightly over-bonded, but constant bond valence sum for all temperatures. However, RUM analysis  
494 (Hammonds, 1996; Dove et al., 2007) has found the SOD framework to be intrinsically flexible with  
495 zero-frequency modes throughout much of the Brillouin zone. It therefore seems more plausible that  
496 the thermal expansion of sodalite is governed by the behaviour of these low frequency rigid unit  
497 modes which permit the tetrahedra to rotate relative to one another with the Na moving towards the  
498 six-membered ring to maintain bond valency. Low frequency external modes ( $< 300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) have been  
499 observed in the Raman spectrum of sodalite, with a single band measured as low as  $59 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  
500 compared to the “free TO<sub>4</sub>” modes that lie in the range  $350 - 1150 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (Arai and Smith, 1981).

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## 502 Discussion and conclusions

503 Analysis of the anion fractional coordinates of the SOD framework for sodalite-structured phases in  
504 space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  have shown that an aristotype phase can be derived for sets of fractional coordinates  
505 ( $x, x, z$ ) for  $x^2 - x - z^2 + z - 1/8 = 0$ . The observed crystal structure of the SOD framework in sodalite-  
506 structured phases has been shown to be parameterisable in terms of normal mode amplitudes of the ideal  
507 tetrahedral “molecule” for this aristotype crystal structure. Modes consistent with the point group  
508 symmetry of the two symmetry-independent T-sites in sodalite ( $\bar{4}$ ) transform as the irreducible  
509 representations  $A_1$ ,  $E(\alpha)$  and  $T_1(z)$ ; a breathing mode, a tetrahedral distortion mode and a rigid body  
510 rotation. The methodology, demonstrated for a phase at a fixed thermodynamic state, is shown to be  
511 simply extended to variable thermodynamic conditions. Fitting the thermodynamic variation of the  
512 mode amplitudes to low order polynomial functions of the thermodynamic variable permit an accurate  
513 interpolation of the SOD framework at unmeasured values of the variable as illustrated in the analysis  
514 of high temperature sodalite data. Extrapolation of the polynomials beyond the fixed extrema of  
515 measured data is not to be recommended, however, it is possible that fitting mode amplitudes to sets  
516 of orthogonal polynomials rather than simple polynomials may permit some level of extrapolation.

517 The hierarchy of the SOD framework in space groups  $Im\bar{3}m$ ,  $I\bar{4}3m$ ,  $Pm\bar{3}n$  and  $P\bar{4}3n$ , with  
518 one, two, two and three free anion fractional coordinates respectively, however, illustrates a surprising  
519 result with the mode analysis. The expectation that the crystallographic degrees of freedom would  
520 equal the number of active modes initially does not appear to hold. In the body-centred space group  
521  $Im\bar{3}m(x+u, x+u, 0.5)$  two modes are found ( $A_1$  and  $E$ ) with one free fractional coordinate, and in  
522  $I\bar{4}3m(x+u, x+u, 0.5+w)$  three modes are found ( $A_1$ ,  $E$  and  $T_1$ ) with two free fractional coordinates.  
523 The disagreement between crystallographic and mode degrees of freedom is, however, only  
524 superficial, as analysis of the ratio of  $A_1/E$  mode amplitudes in the body-centred space groups shows  
525 them to be in a fixed ratio, for example setting the aristotype  $z = 0.5$  this ratio is  $(2 - \sqrt{2})/(1 + \sqrt{2})$   
526 ( $\sim 0.2426$ ) thus reducing the mode degrees of freedom by one. For other choices of aristotype  $z$ , the  
527 ratio will be different, for example setting the aristotype  $z = 0.4220$ , the  $z$  fractional coordinate of the  
528 anion in bicchulite at room temperature (Sahl, 1980), the ratio is  $\sim 0.1430$ . In the primitive space  
529 groups the mode degrees of freedom matches the crystallographic degrees of freedom;  $Pm\bar{3}n(x+u, x$   
530  $+v, 0.5)$  two independent mode amplitudes are found ( $A_1$  and  $E(\alpha)$ ) for two free anion fractional  
531 coordinates,  $P\bar{4}3n(x+u, x+v, 0.5+w)$  three independent modes are found ( $A_1$ ,  $E(\alpha)$  and  $T_1(z)$ ) for  
532 three free anion fractional coordinates.

533 The general applicability of mode decomposition to characterise the SOD framework in other  
534 sodalite-structured, lower symmetry phases than those discussed here requires further detailed  
535 analysis. However, a simple global optimisation strategy shows that the ambient temperature crystal  
536 structure of tugtupite ( $Na_4AlBeSi_4O_{12}Cl$ ) (Antao et al, 2004b) in space group  $I\bar{4}$  is amenable to this  
537 analysis with regular tetrahedra found for the 3 T-sites (Be, Al, Si) at the expense of crystal-  
538 chemically implausible bond lengths. In this respect, this derived crystal structure is similar to that  
539 found for garnet (Knight, 2019) in that it is topologically consistent i.e. a prototypic crystal structure  
540 but not an aristotype crystal structure in the strict sense of Megaw (1973). Observed and optimised  
541 aristotype crystallographic parameters for tugtupite at 33 °C are listed in Table 6.

542 The belief that pure silica sodalite represents the highest symmetry SOD framework in space  
543 group  $Im\bar{3}m$  (Richardson et al., 1988, Fischer and Bauer, 2009) requires comment since there are no  
544 differences in the systematic absence conditions for space groups  $Im\bar{3}m$  and  $I\bar{4}3m$ . Table 1 shows that  
545 in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$  the anion fractional coordinate is  $(x, x, 1/2)$  and in  $I\bar{4}3m(x, x, z)$  ( $z \sim 1/2$ ). The  
546 single crystal X-ray diffraction results found  $z = 0.505$  (Richardson et al., 1988), however this  
547 fractional coordinate was set to zero despite an estimated standard deviation of 0.001 i.e. five standard  
548 deviations from zero. Justification for setting the fractional coordinate to zero was not given in the  
549 work of Richardson et al. (1988) and confirmation of their choice of space group is required.  
550 Providing data were collected at a suitable X-ray wavelength to excite anomalous scattering from  
551 silicon, the point group symmetry of a large volume of reciprocal space should provide evidence for  
552 the correct space group of pure silica sodalite due to the breakdown of Friedel's/Bijvoet's law.  
553 Despite the low atomic number of silicon, and hence the expectation that anomalous scattering effects  
554 will be small, Lang (1965) has shown however, that imaging of Brazil twins in quartz is possible  
555 using Co  $K\alpha$  or Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation due to strong anomalous dispersion associated with certain  
556 reflections.

557 The lack of a unique set of anion fractional coordinates for the aristotype phase for the  
558 sodalite structure probably renders distance least squares modelling unreliable to predict the evolution  
559 of the crystal structure when the input data is purely based on lattice parameter data. It is close to

560 twenty years since sodalite has been studied crystallographically at high temperature and it would be  
561 timely to remeasure again, including a structural investigation of the bromine and iodine analogues in  
562 addition. The ease of bulk synthesis of sodalite (Stein et al., 1992) would permit samples suitable for  
563 neutron powder diffraction to be produced. Al and Si can be easily distinguished using neutron  
564 diffraction due to significantly different scattering lengths, whereas  $\text{Si}^{4+}$  and  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  are to first order  
565 isoelectronic form factors for X-ray diffraction. The use of time-of-flight neutron powder diffraction  
566 with simultaneous high-Q and low-Q coverage would allow any site occupancy variation at the T-  
567 sites as a function of temperature to be decorrelated from the atomic displacement parameters, should  
568 any site disordering occur. Structural results from  $\text{Na}_8[\text{Si}_6\text{Al}_6\text{O}_{24}]\text{I}_2$  could then be compared with the  
569 results of distance least squares modelling (Dempsey and Taylor, 1980) to investigate the validity of  
570 the method for this particular structure type.

571           The measurement of Cl-, Br-, I-sodalite as a function of temperature coupled with mode  
572 analysis may shed more light on the mechanisms underlying the thermal expansion behaviour of these  
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701 **Table 1.** Fractional coordinates for the T-sites and coordinating anions of the SOD framework in  
 702 space groups  $Im\bar{3}m$ ,  $I\bar{4}3m$ ,  $P\bar{4}3n$  and  $Pm\bar{3}n$ .

Space group	T-site	Anion site	Coordinating anions	
$Im\bar{3}m$	12d 1/4, 0, 1/2	24h x, x, 1/2	O1	x, x, 1/2
	$\bar{4}m2$	x ~ 0.14	O2	x, -x, 1/2
			O3	1/2-x, 0, 1/2-x
			O4	1/2-x, 0, 1/2+x
$I\bar{4}3m$	12d 1/4, 0, 1/2	24h x, x, z	O1	x, x, z
	$\bar{4}$	x ~ 0.14 z ~ 0.44	O2	x, -x, 1-z
			O3	1/2-x, -1/2+z, 1/2-x
			O4	1/2-x, 1/2-z, 1/2+x
$P\bar{4}3n$	6d 1/4, 0, 1/2	24i x, y, z	O1	x, y, z
	$\bar{4}$	x ~ y ~ 0.14 z ~ 0.44	O2	x, -y, 1-z
			O3	1/2-x, -1/2+z, 1/2-y
			O4	1/2-x, 1/2-z, 1/2+y
	6c 1/2, 0, 3/4	$\bar{4}$	O4	1/2-x, 1/2-z, 1/2+y
			O6	1/2+x, -1/2+z, 1/2+y
			O7	1-z, x, 1-y
			O8	z, -x, 1-y
$Pm\bar{3}n$	6c 1/4, 0, 1/2	24k x, y, 1/2	O1	x, y, 1/2
	$\bar{4}m2$	x ~ y ~ 0.14	O2	x, -y, 1/2
			O3	1/2-x, 0, 1/2-y
			O4	1/2-x, 0, 1/2+y
	6d 1/2, 0, 3/4	$\bar{4}m2$	O4	1/2-x, 0, 1/2+y
			O6	1/2+x, 0, 1/2+y
			O7	1/2, x, 1-y
			O8	1/2, -x, 1-y

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706 **Table 2.** Symmetry-adapted basis-vector displacements for modes of point group  $\bar{4}3m$  that are  
 707 consistent with point group  $\bar{4}m2$  ( $A_1, E(\alpha)$ ) and  $\bar{4}$  ( $A_1, E(\alpha), T_1(z)$ ).

Irreducible representation	Displacement		
	<b>i</b>	<b>j</b>	<b>k</b>
$A_1$			
O1	-d <sub>1</sub>	-d <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>1</sub>
O2	d <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>1</sub>
O3	d <sub>1</sub>	-d <sub>1</sub>	-d <sub>1</sub>
O4	-d <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>1</sub>	-d <sub>1</sub>
$E(\alpha)$			
O1	-d <sub>2</sub>	-d <sub>2</sub>	-2d <sub>2</sub>
O2	d <sub>2</sub>	d <sub>2</sub>	-2d <sub>2</sub>
O3	d <sub>2</sub>	-d <sub>2</sub>	2d <sub>2</sub>
O4	-d <sub>2</sub>	d <sub>2</sub>	2d <sub>2</sub>
$T_1(z)$			
O1	d <sub>3</sub>	-d <sub>3</sub>	0
O2	-d <sub>3</sub>	d <sub>3</sub>	0
O3	d <sub>3</sub>	d <sub>3</sub>	0
O4	-d <sub>3</sub>	-d <sub>3</sub>	0

709 **Table 3.** Absolute coordinates for the 6c, 6d tetrahedral sites in sodalite (T-sites at the origin).

<i>6d</i> ( <b>i, j, k</b> basis)			
O1	-x - d1 - d2 + d3	O2	x + d1 + d2 - d3
	-x - d1 - d2 - d3		x + d1 + d2 + d3
	x + d1 - 2d2		x + d1 - 2d2
O3	x + d1 + d2 + d3	O4	-x - d1 - d2 - d3
	-x - d1 - d2 + d3		x + d1 + d2 - d3
	-x - d1 + 2d2		-x - d1 + 2d2
<i>6c</i> ( <b>i', j', k'</b> basis)			
O4	-x - d1' - d2' + d3'	O6	x + d1' + d2' - d3'
	-x - d1' - d2' - d3'		x + d1' + d2' + d3'
	x + d1' - 2d2'		x + d1' - 2d2'
O7	x + d1' + d2' + d3'	O8	-x - d1' - d2' - d3'
	-x - d1' - d2' + d3'		x + d1' + d2' - d3'
	-x - d1' + 2d2'		-x - d1' + 2d2'

710  $x = a(-0.25 + (0.375 - z + z^2)^{0.5})$

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713 **Table 4.** Comparison of derived structural parameters for sodalite based on crystal structure  
714 refinement and mode decomposition.

	Hassan and Grundy (1984)	Mode decomposition
Al - O/Å	1.742	1.7416
O - Al - O/degrees (mult. 2)	111.0	111.04
O - Al - O/degrees (mult. 4)	108.7	108.69
Si - O/Å	1.620	1.6196
O - Si - O/degrees (mult. 2)	113.0	113.03
O - Si - O/degrees (mult. 4)	107.7	107.72
Al - O - Si/degrees	138.2	138.19

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717 **Table 5.** Details of mode decomposition for the crystal structure of sodalite at 982 °C (Hassan et al.,  
718 2004). Bond lengths and angles recalculated from the published lattice parameter and fractional  
719 coordinates are shown in italics.

$6d$	$\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ basis	$6c$	$\mathbf{i}', \mathbf{j}', \mathbf{k}'$ basis
<b>M1</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\alpha & \beta \\ 0 & \beta & -\alpha \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	<b>M2</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -\beta & 0 \\ -\beta & -\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$
<b>R</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	<b>R</b>	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
O1 aristotype/Å	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.96677 \\ -0.96677 \\ 0.96677 \end{pmatrix}$	O4 aristotype/Å	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.96677 \\ -0.96677 \\ 0.96677 \end{pmatrix}$
O1 hettotype/Å	$\begin{pmatrix} -1.14188 \\ -0.90848 \\ 0.95150 \end{pmatrix}$	O4 hettotype/Å	$\begin{pmatrix} -1.05737 \\ -0.87499 \\ 0.86059 \end{pmatrix}$
$\Delta O1/\text{Å}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.17511 \\ 0.05829 \\ -0.01527 \end{pmatrix}$	$\Delta O4/\text{Å}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.09060 \\ 0.09178 \\ -0.10618 \end{pmatrix}$
$d1/\text{Å}$	0.03385	$d1'/\text{Å}$	-0.03579
$d2/\text{Å}$	0.02456	$d2'/\text{Å}$	0.035200
$d3/\text{Å}$	-0.11670	$d3'/\text{Å}$	-0.09119
Al - O/Å	1.74200, 1.74201	Si - O/Å	1.61995, 1.61998
O - Al - O/degrees (2)	113.785, 113.788	O - Si - O/degrees (2)	115.821, 115.823
O - Al - O/degrees (4)	107.358, 107.357	O - Si - O/degrees (4)	106.393, 106.392
Si - O - Al	143.349, 143.347		

720  $\alpha = 0.917894$ ,  $\beta = 0.396825$ ,  $a_a = 8.88696 \text{ Å}$ ,  $z = 0.43895$

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722 **Table 6.** Comparison of the observed fractional coordinates in tugtupite at room temperature (Antao  
 723 et al., 2004b) with an aristotype with ideal tetrahedral geometry at the three symmetry-independent T-  
 724 sites.

		Observed structural parameters	Optimised aristotype structural parameters
Si (8g)	x	0.7461	0.76531
	y	0.0133	0.01675
	z	0.5051	0.50229
O1 (8g)	x	0.1051	0.14403
	y	0.1367	0.12393
	z	0.4433	0.45296
O2 (8g)	x	0.1562	0.16452
	y	0.4641	0.47504
	z	0.1503	0.13540
O3 (8g)	x	0.4249	0.42813
	y	0.1430	0.16470
	z	0.1391	0.12624
Be - O2/Å		1.640	1.7580
Al - O3 <sup>i</sup> /Å		1.705	1.8984
Si - O2 <sup>iii</sup> /Å		1.560	1.5083
Si - O1 <sup>i</sup> /Å		1.620	1.5083
Si - O3 <sup>iv</sup> /Å		1.645	1.5083
Si - O1 <sup>iii</sup> /Å		1.666	1.5083
O2 - Be - O2 <sup>i</sup> /° ×4		106.84	109.471
O2 - Be - O2 <sup>ii</sup> /° ×2		114.87	109.471
O3 <sup>i</sup> - Al - O3 <sup>ii</sup> /° ×4		109.39	109.471
O3 <sup>i</sup> - Al - O3 <sup>iii</sup> /° ×2		109.64	109.471
O1 <sup>i</sup> - Si - O2 <sup>iii</sup> /°		106.01	109.471
O2 <sup>iii</sup> - Si - O3 <sup>iv</sup> /°		117.34	109.471
O1 <sup>i</sup> - Si - O2 <sup>iii</sup> /°		109.06	109.471
O1 <sup>i</sup> - Si - O3 <sup>iv</sup> /°		108.69	109.471
O1 <sup>i</sup> - Si - O1 <sup>iii</sup> /°		108.85	109.471
O1 <sup>ii</sup> - Si - O3 <sup>iv</sup> /°		106.69	109.471

725 Space group:  $I\bar{4}$ ,  $a = 8.62597 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c = 8.8564 \text{ \AA}$

726 Al (2d): 0.00, 0.50, 0.75, Be (2c): 0.00, 0.50, 0.25

727 O1<sup>i</sup>: 1 - y, x, 1 - z; O1<sup>ii</sup>: 1 - x, -y, z

728 O2<sup>i</sup>: -x, 1 - y, z; O2<sup>ii</sup>: 1/2 - y, 1/2 + x, 1/2 - z; O2<sup>iii</sup>: 1/2 + x, -1/2 + y, 1/2 + z

729 O3<sup>i</sup>: y, 1 - x, 1 - z; O3<sup>ii</sup>: -1/2 + x, 1/2 + y, 1/2 + z; O3<sup>iii</sup>: -y, x, 1 - z; O3<sup>iv</sup>: 1/2 + y, 1/2 - x, 1/2 - z

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731 **Figure Captions**

732 **Fig. 1**

733 The crystal structure of sodalite at room temperature and pressure (Hassan and Grundy, 1984) viewed  
734 down [010] with [100] vertical. SiO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra are shown as crosses, AlO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra as orthogonal  
735 lines. Sodium cations are illustrated as plain circles, chlorine anions as straight lines and oxygen  
736 atoms as orthogonal lines.

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738 **Fig. 2**

739 2a: The aristotype SOD topology in space group  $Im\bar{3}m$  with undifferentiated T-site (12 *d*) and the  
740 direction of the  $\bar{4}$  axis shown as an arrow.

741 2b: The structural topology of the hettotype phase in space group  $Pm\bar{3}n$  with differentiated T-sites (6 *c*  
742 and 6 *d*). The directions of the two  $\bar{4}$  axes from the symmetry independent tetrahedra are shown as  
743 arrows.

744 2c: The structural topology of the hettotype phase in space group  $I\bar{4}3m$  with undifferentiated T-site  
745 (12 *d*) and the direction of the  $\bar{4}$  axis shown as an arrow.

746 2d: The structural topology of the hettotype phase in space group  $P\bar{4}3n$  (the sodalite structure) with  
747 differentiated T-sites (6 *c* and 6 *d*). The directions of the two  $\bar{4}$  axes from the symmetry independent  
748 tetrahedra are shown as arrows.

749 For atom labelling see Table 1. The active irreducible representations relating two crystal structures  
750 are shown in Miller-Love notation (Stokes and Hatch, 1988) and designated by an arrow.

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752 **Fig. 3**

753 Symmetry adapted basis vectors of the isolated TO<sub>4</sub> group consistent with point group symmetry  $\bar{4}$ .  
754 Upper left shows the orthonormal basis vectors used in the mode parameterisation with  $\mathbf{k}$   
755 perpendicular to the page.  $A_1$  is a breathing mode with displacement amplitude  $d1(\prime)$ ,  $E(\alpha)$  a  
756 tetrahedral distortion mode with displacement amplitude  $d2(\prime)$ , and  $T_1(z)$  is a rigid body rotation  
757 around  $\mathbf{k}$  for small basis vector displacements  $d3(\prime)$ .

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759 **Fig. 4**

760 The temperature dependence of the mode displacement amplitudes and phases of the SOD framework  
761 of sodalite at high temperature derived from the crystallographic results of Hassan et al. (2004).  
762 Figure 4a illustrates the modes in the AlO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedron, Figure 4b the modes in the SiO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedron.  
763 In both cases, the calculated mode amplitudes are shown as circles, with the full lines on the figure  
764 showing quartic fits to these data. The mode expansion coefficients are shown as the dashed lines on  
765 the figure.

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767 **Fig. 5**

768 Comparison of the observed, derived structural parameters of sodalite at high temperature (Hassan et  
769 al., 2004) (shown as circles) with those calculated by mode decomposition (as the full lines). In all  
770 cases the bond lengths and angles were recalculated from the published lattice parameters and  
771 fractional coordinates as the tabulated data were inconsistent with these results. Figure 5a shows the  
772 results from the  $\text{AlO}_4$  tetrahedron, Figure 5b the results from the  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedron, whilst Figure 5c  
773 shows the intra-polyhedral rotation angle. The agreement between the observed data and the  
774 temperature variation calculated by mode parameterisation is excellent for all temperatures indicating  
775 the ability for mode decomposition to accurately interpolate the structural parameters at intermediate  
776 temperatures.

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778 **Fig. 6**

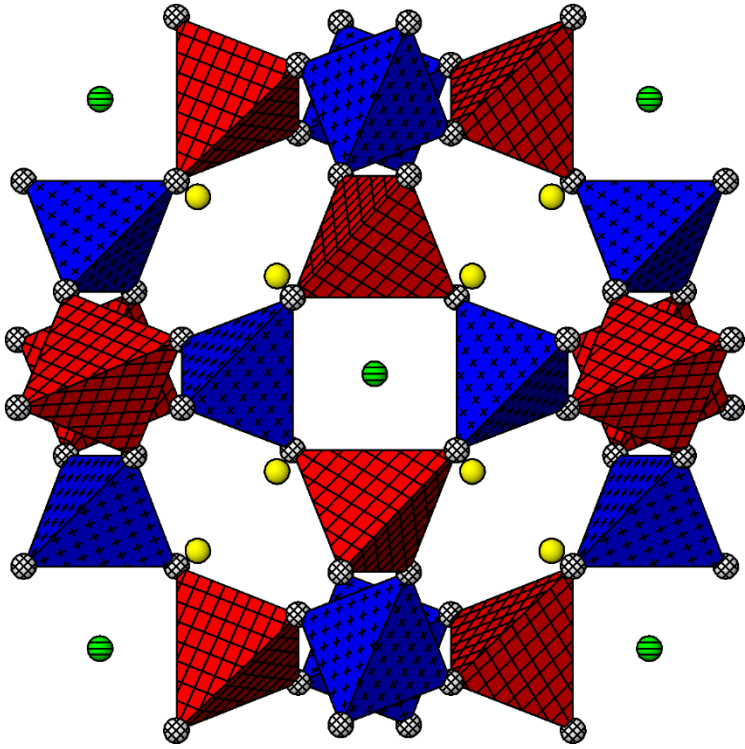
779 The linear temperature dependences of the tetrahedral volumes of the  $\text{AlO}_4$  and  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedra in  
780 sodalite.

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782 **Fig. 7**

783 The correlation of the structural distortion parameters of quadratic elongation and tetrahedral angle  
784 variance (Robinson et al., 1971) with the amplitudes of the  $E(\alpha)$  normal modes in sodalite at high  
785 temperatures (Hassan et al., 2004). Despite the magnitudes of the quadratic elongation and tetrahedral  
786 angle variance of the two tetrahedra being well separated in temperature, they follow identical trends  
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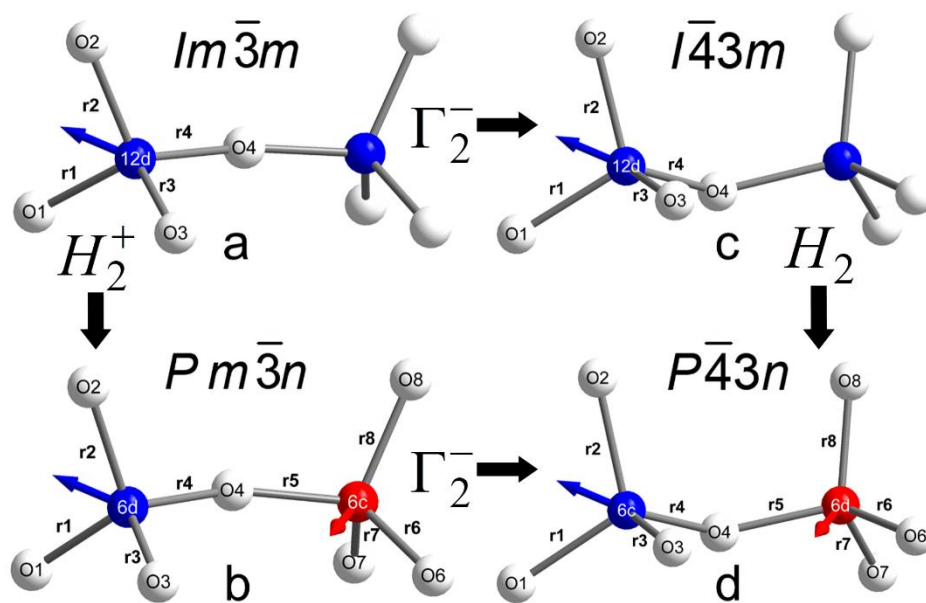
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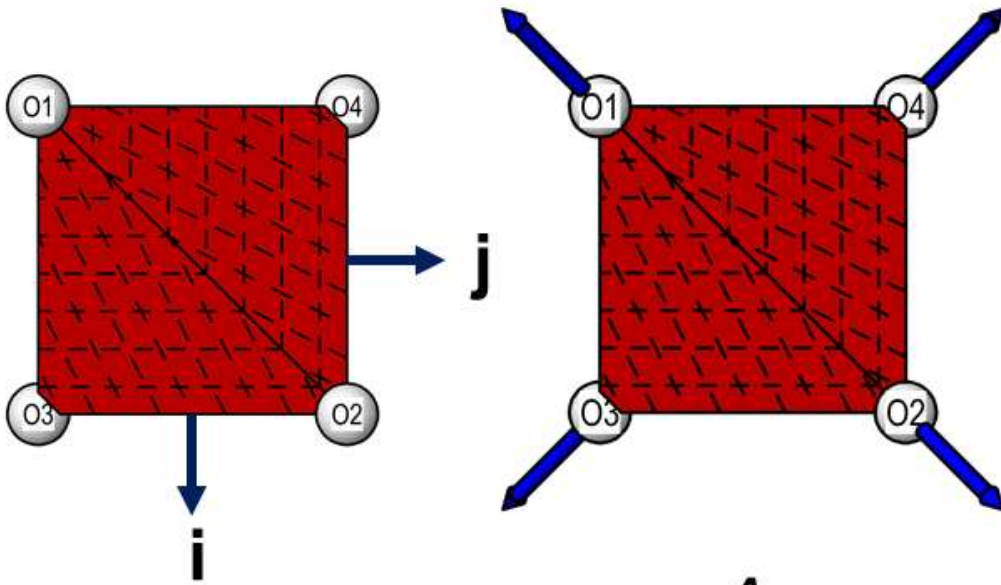


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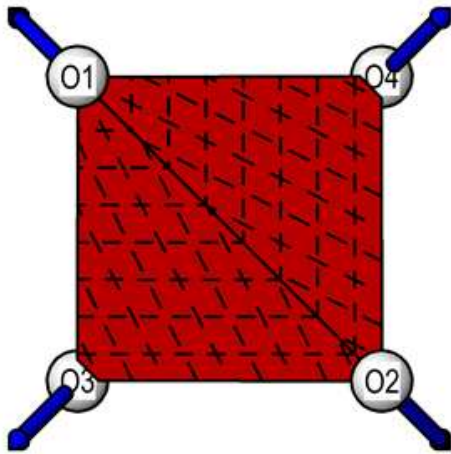
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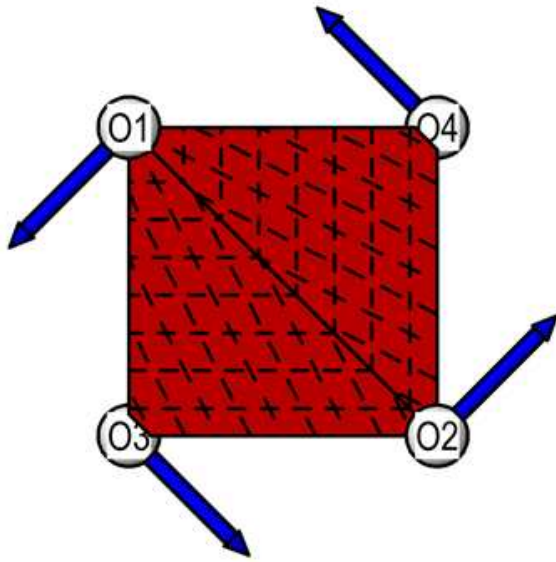




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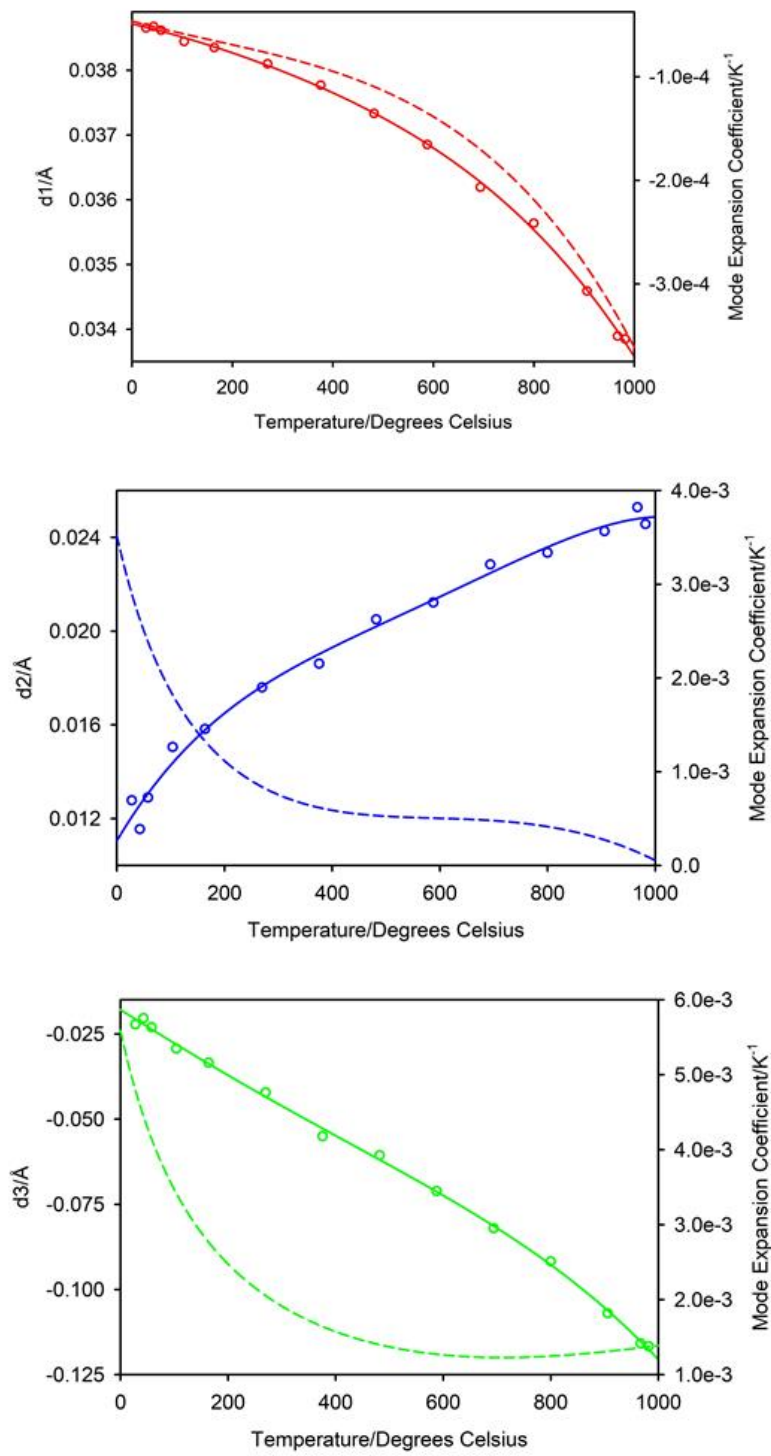


$T_1(z)$

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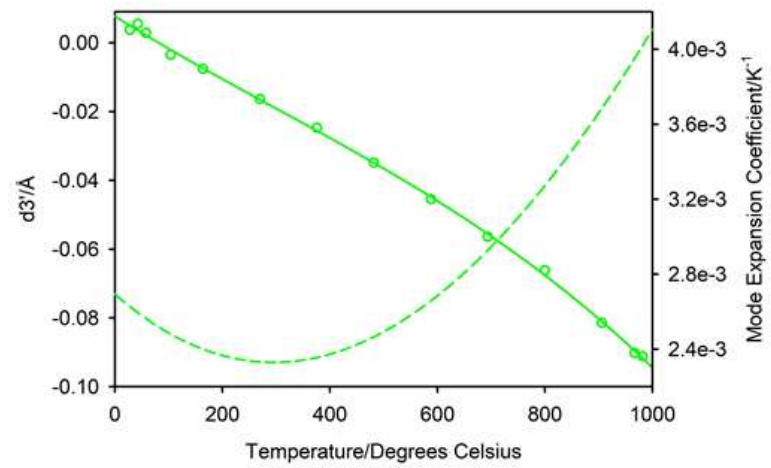
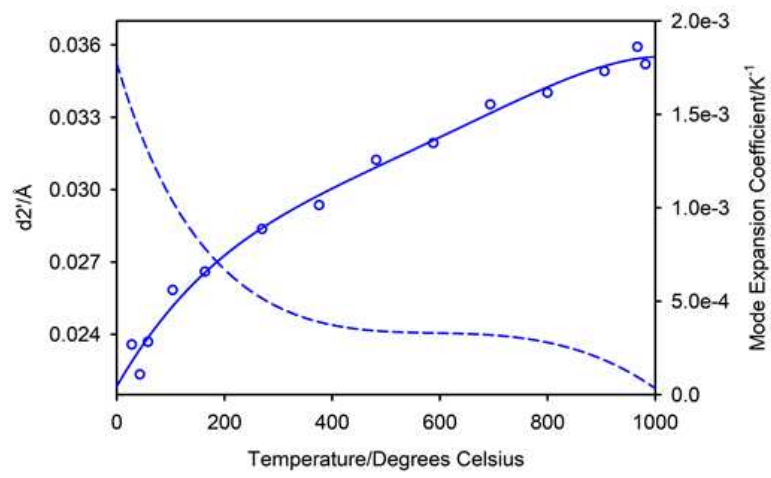
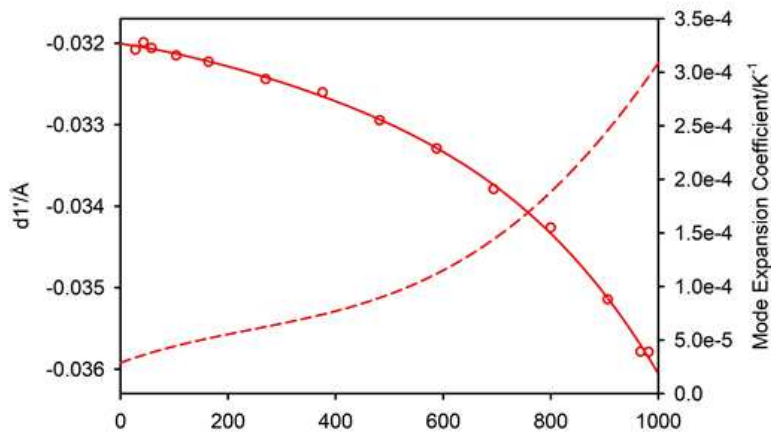
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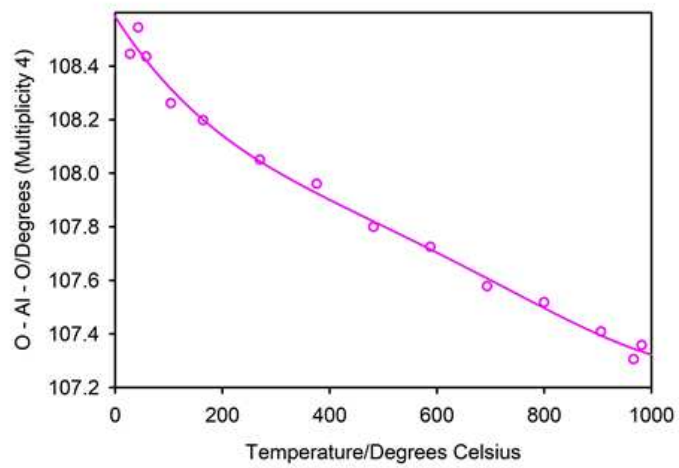
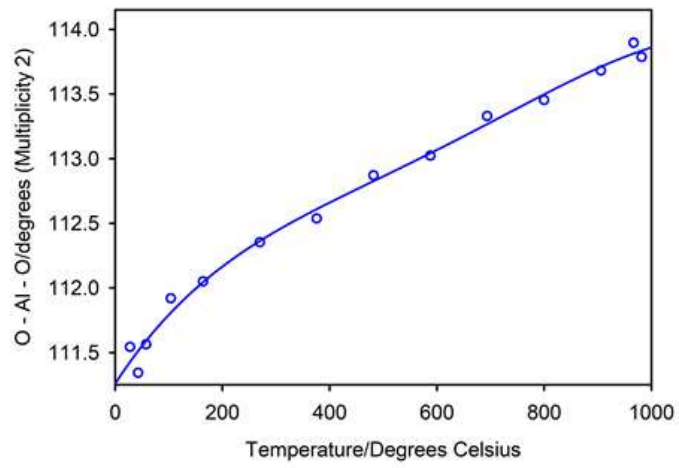
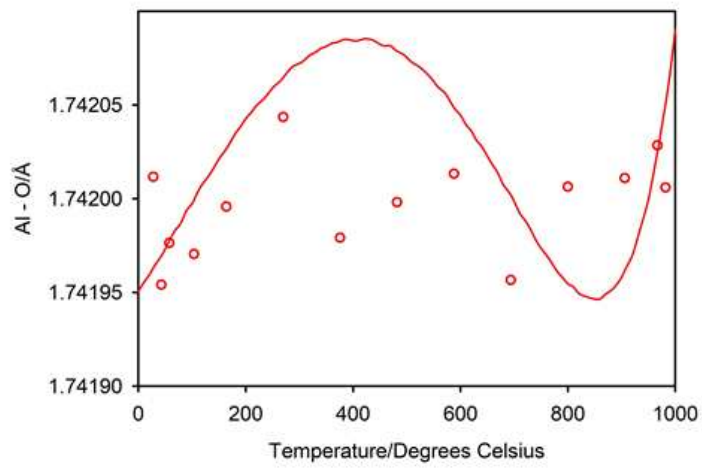
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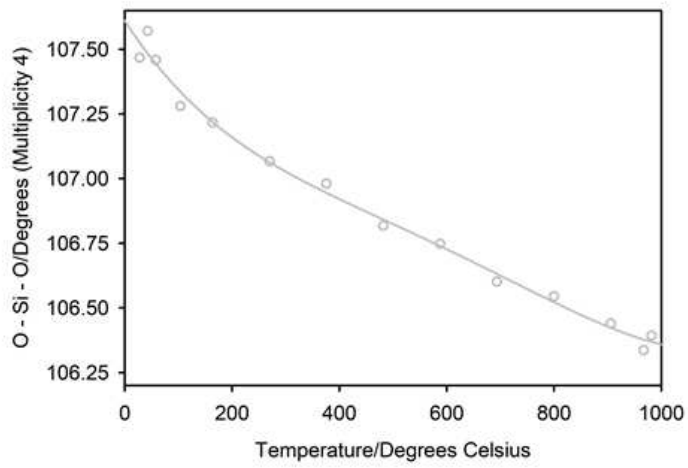
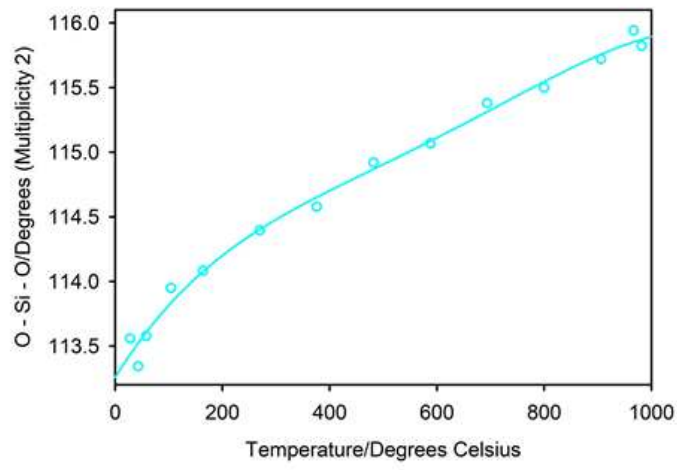
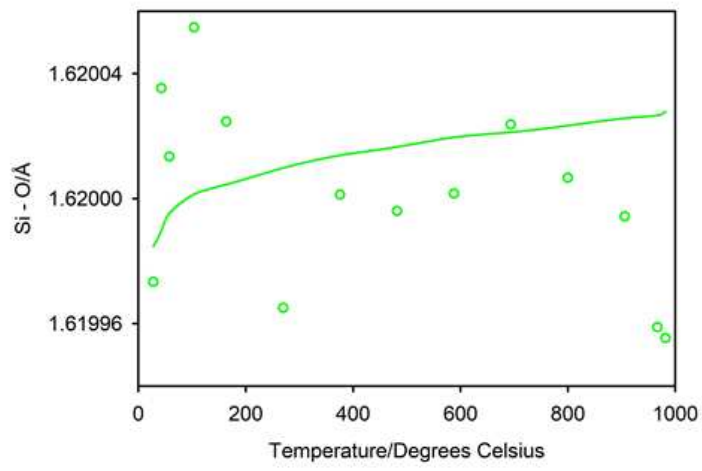
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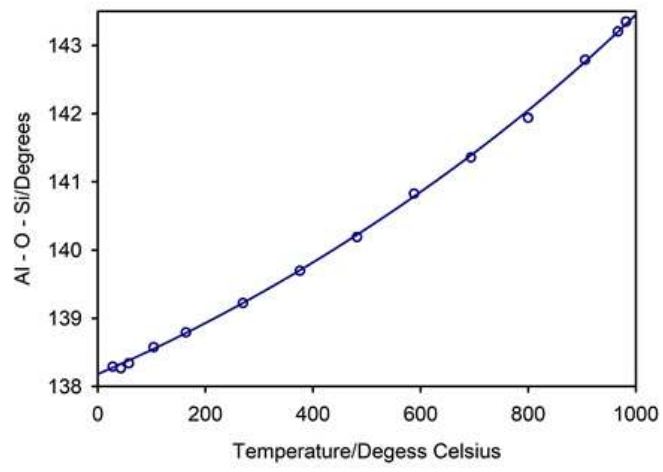


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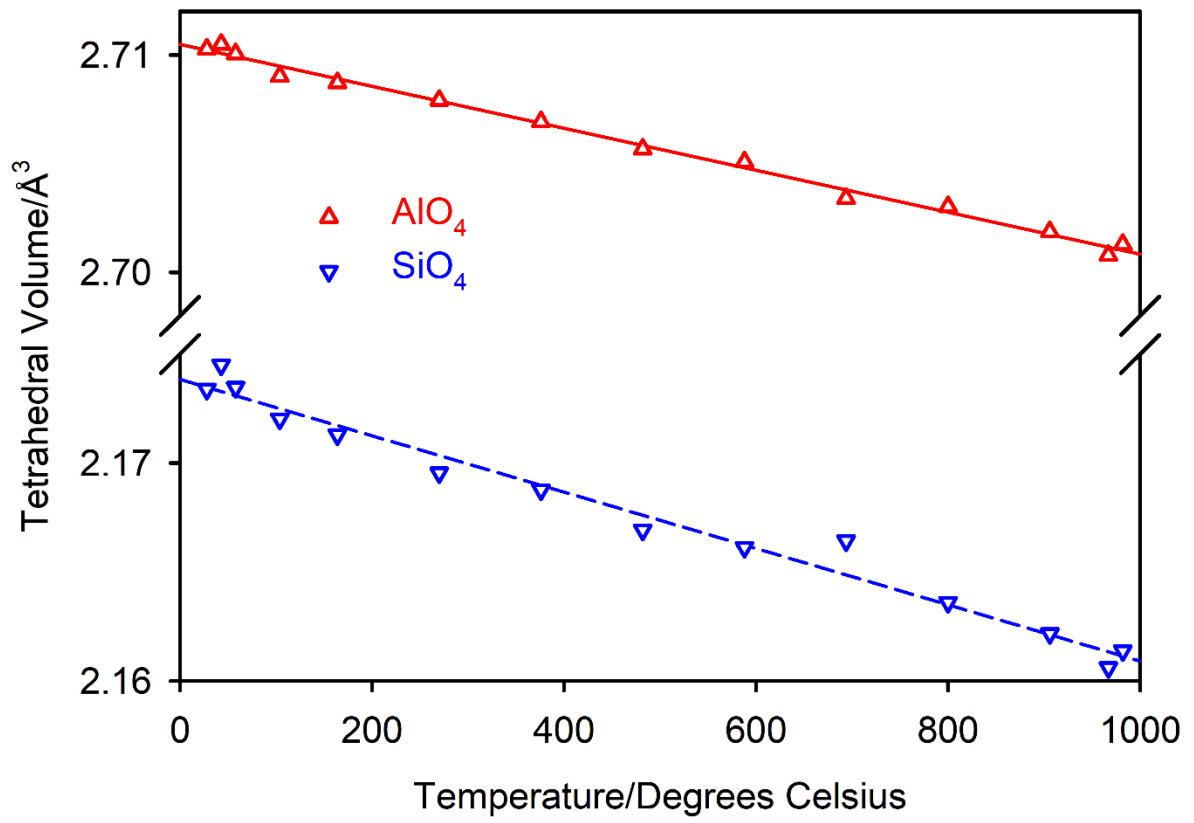
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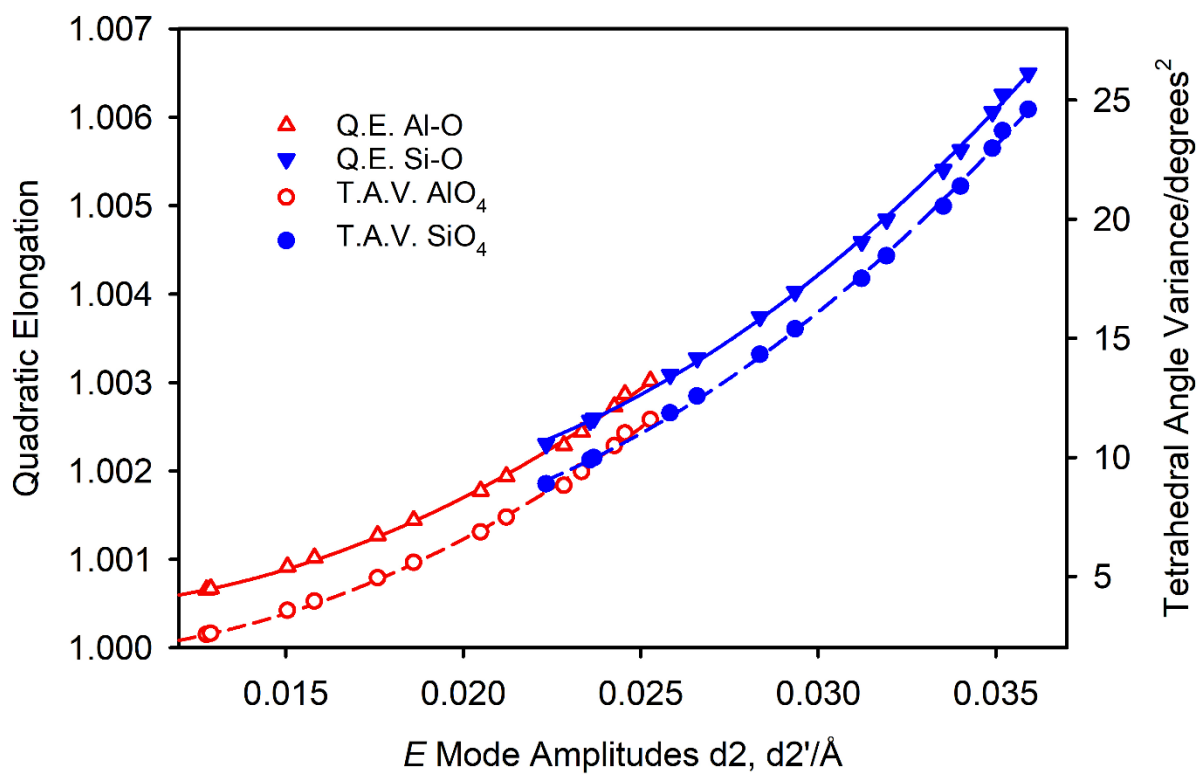
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