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DIPOLAR LATTICE ENERGY FOR $KC_{24}(THF)_x$

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INTRODUCTION

Evaluation of ionic, ion-dipolar and dipolar interaction energies for $KC_{24}(THF)_x$ first stage intercalation compounds (with $x=1$ or 2) enables determination of tetrahydrofuran's dipole orientation in the lattice cell.

STRUCTURE OF $KC_{24}(THF)_x$

In tetrahydrofuran $(CH_2)_4O$ or THF we cannot say that the oxygen atom is negatively charged and the carbon atoms positively but rather that the binding is charged with δ^- on O and δ^+ on the C atoms. Oxygen has two pairs of noncoupled electrons: gaseous THF exhibits a permanent dipolar momentum. The THF molecule is planar as the sum of angles equal 540° (see table 1 and figure 1).

Table 1 Tetrahydrofuran

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{COC} &= 111^\circ \\ \widehat{CCC} &= 105.5^\circ & d_{C-C} &= 1.54\text{\AA} \\ \widehat{CCH} &= 127.3^\circ & d_{C-H} &= 1.10\text{\AA} \\ \widehat{HCH} &= 109.5^\circ & d_{C-O} &= 1.43\text{\AA} \\ \widehat{CCO} &= 109^\circ\end{aligned}$$

The studied graphite intercalation compounds $KC_{24}(THF)_x$ are all first stage compounds. They present monoclinic or orthorhombic structures [1],[2],[3].

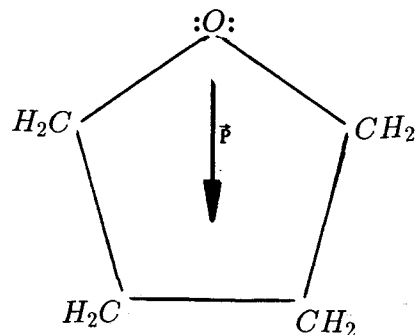


Figure 1 Tetrahydrofuran

In table 2 we present the first stage monoclinic $KC_{24}(THF)_2$ unit cell

Table 2 First stage monoclinic $KC_{24}(THF)_2$ unit cell

	x	y	z
a	$7.41d - 10$	0.0	0.0
b	$-2.456d - 10$	$8.564d - 10$	0.0
c	0.0	0.0	$8.84d - 10$

Table 3 Atoms in monoclinic $KC_{24}(THF)_2$ first stage

		q	a	b	c
1	C	-1/24	0.055	1/6	0.0
2	C	-1/24	0.194	1/12	0.0
3	C	-1/24	0.389	1/6	0.0
4	C	-1/24	0.528	1/12	0.0
5	C	-1/24	0.722	1/6	0.0
6	C	-1/24	0.861	1/12	0.0
7	C	-1/24	0.110	1/3	0.0
8	C	-1/24	0.304	5/12	0.0
9	C	-1/24	0.444	1/3	0.0
10	C	-1/24	0.638	5/12	0.0
11	C	-1/24	0.777	1/3	0.0
12	C	-1/24	0.972	5/12	0.0
13	C	-1/24	0.028	7/12	0.0
14	C	-1/24	0.223	2/3	0.0
15	C	-1/24	0.362	7/12	0.0
16	C	-1/24	0.556	2/3	0.0
17	C	-1/24	0.696	7/12	0.0
18	C	-1/24	0.890	2/3	0.0
19	C	-1/24	0.139	11/12	0.0
20	C	-1/24	0.278	5/6	0.0
21	C	-1/24	0.472	11/12	0.0
22	C	-1/24	0.611	5/6	0.0
23	C	-1/24	0.806	11/12	0.0
24	C	-1/24	0.945	5/6	0.0
25	K	+1.0	0.0	0.0	0.5

Table 3 shows the atomic and electric distribution in a unit cell of monoclinic $KC_{24}(THF)_2$ first stage. Figure 2 is the representation of atoms in a unit cell.

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We give in table 4 Madelung energy [4] val-

Table 4 Madelung energies

Compound	Struct.	$10^{-19}J$	eV
$KC_{24}(THF)_2$	Monocl.	-1.69	-1.05
$KC_{24}(THF)_2$	Orthor.	-1.65	-1.03
$KC_{24}(THF)_1$	Monocl.	-0.45	-0.28

ues or ion-ion interaction energies for the three studied compounds. The interaction energies produced by ionic and dipolar lattices are computed by formulas derived from Ewald's [5] and Kornfeld's [6] methods. The value of the permanent dipolar momentum for tetrahydrofuran is taken equal to 1.63 Debye (to be compared to 1.85 for H_2O or 1.5 for NH_3). They permit to show that in terms of energy the anti-parallel structure is more stable than the parallel.

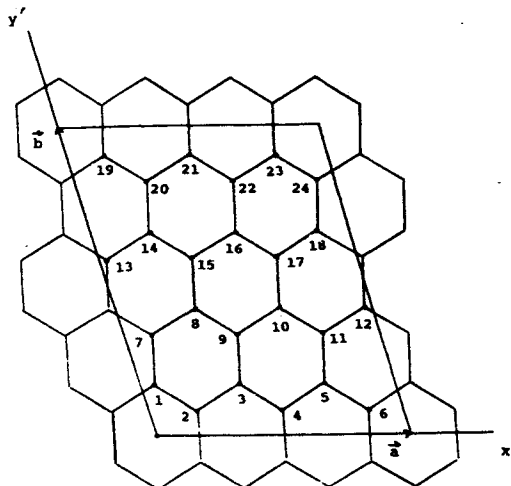


Figure 2 Atoms in monoclinic $KC_{24}(THF)_2$ first stage

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