

Interstitial Oxide Ion Distribution and Transport Mechanism in Aluminum-doped Neodymium Silicate Apatite Electrolytes

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RAMAN ACTIVE MODES

For Nd_{9.33}Si₆O₂₆, the total number of expected Raman active modes is 63 (21 A + 21 E₁ + 21 E₂) in P6₃, and 33 (12 A_g + 8 E_{ig} + 13 E_{eg}) in P6₃/m space groups, respectively, while each split oxygen site leads to extra 9 (3A + 3 E₁ + 3 E₂) modes in P6₃ and 9 (3 A_g + 3 E_{ig} + 3 E_{eg}) modes in P6₃/m. Therefore, the total expected Raman active modes is 90 (30 A + 30 E₁ + 30 E₂) in P6₃, and 51 (18 A_g + 14 E_{ig} + 19 E_{eg}) in P6₃/m space groups, respectively, in accordance with the split of oxygen sites O(1)', O(3)' and O(4)' in P6₃ (Table 1) and O(1)' and O(3)' in P6₃/m (Table 2) as determined by the neutron diffraction performed at 2K. For internal modes of unperturbed SiO₄, 27 modes are expected for P6₃ and 15 are expected for P6₃/m.

Table S1. Raman activity in P6₃ space group.

Atom	Site symmetry	Raman activity	Number of modes
Nd(1)	2b	A + E ₁ + E ₂	3
Nd(2)	2b	A + E ₁ + E ₂	3
Nd(3)	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
Si	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
O(1)	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
O(2)	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
O(3)	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
O(4)	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
O(5)	2a	A + E ₁ + E ₂	3
Total (without split sites):			63
Split site	Site symmetry	Raman activity	Number of modes
O(1)'	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
O(3)'	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
O(4)'	6c	3 A + 3 E ₁ + 3 E ₂	9
Total (with split sites):			90

Table S2. Raman activity in $P6_3/m$ space group.

Atom	Site symmetry	Raman activity	Number of modes
Nd(1)	$4f$	$A_g + E_{ig} + E_{2g}$	3
Nd(2)	$6h$	$2 A_g + E_{ig} + 2 E_{2g}$	5
Si	$6h$	$2 A_g + E_{ig} + 2 E_{2g}$	5
O(1)	$6h$	$2 A_g + E_{ig} + 2 E_{2g}$	5
O(2)	$6h$	$2 A_g + E_{ig} + 2 E_{2g}$	5
O(3)	$12i$	$3 A_g + 3 E_{ig} + 3 E_{2g}$	9
O(4)	$2a$	E_{2g}	1
Total (without split sites):			33
Split site	Site symmetry	Raman activity	Number of modes
O(1)'	$6h$	$3 A_g + 3 E_{ig} + 3 E_{2g}$	9
O(3)'	$12i$	$3 A_g + 3 E_{ig} + 3 E_{2g}$	9
Total (with split sites):			51

Table S3. Internal modes of SiO_4 in $P6_3$ space group. The site group (C_i) is correlated to the factor group (C_6) as: $A \rightarrow A + B + E_1 + E_2$.

Internal modes	Molecular group (T_d)	Site group (C_i)	Factor group (C_6)	Raman activity	Number of modes
v_1	A_1	A	$A + B + E_1 + E_2$	$A + E_1 + E_2$	3
v_2	E	$2A$	$2 A + 2 B + 2 E_1 + 2 E_2$	$2 A + 2 E_1 + 2 E_2$	6
v_3	T_2	$3A$	$3 A + 3 B + 3 E_1 + 3 E_2$	$3 A + 3 E_1 + 3 E_2$	9
v_4	T_2	$3A$	$3 A + 3 B + 3 E_1 + 3 E_2$	$3 A + 3 E_1 + 3 E_2$	9
Total:					27

Table S4. Internal modes of SiO_4 in $P6_3/m$ space group. The site group (C_s) is correlated to the factor group (C_{6h}) as: $A' \rightarrow A_g + E_{2g} + B_u + E_{iu}$ and $A'' \rightarrow B_g + E_{ig} + A_u + E_{2u}$.

Internal modes	Molecular group (T_d)	Site group (C_s)	Factor group (C_{6h})	Raman activity	Number of modes
v_1	A_1	A'	$A_g + E_{2g} + B_u + E_{iu}$	$A_g + E_{2g}$	2
v_2	E	$A' + A''$	$A_g + E_{2g} + B_u + E_{iu} + B_g + E_{ig} + A_u + E_{2u}$	$A_g + E_{ig} + E_{2g}$	3
v_3	T_2	$2A' + A''$	$2 A_g + 2 E_{2g} + 2 B_u + 2 E_{iu} + B_g + E_{ig} + A_u + E_{2u}$	$2 A_g + E_{ig} + 2 E_{2g}$	5
v_4	T_2	$2A' + A''$	$2 A_g + 2 E_{2g} + 2 B_u + 2 E_{iu} + B_g + E_{ig} + A_u + E_{2u}$	$2 A_g + E_{ig} + 2 E_{2g}$	5
Total:					15

Table S5. Raman activity of possible oxygen interstitials in $P6_3/m$ space group.

O_{int} site symmetry	Coordinates	Raman activity	Number of modes
$4e$	($o o z$)	$A_g + E_{ig} + E_{2g}$	3
$2b$	($o o o$)	<i>None</i>	0
$6h$	($x y \frac{1}{4}$)	$2 A_g + E_{ig} + 2 E_{2g}$	5

Table S6. Internal modes of perturbed SiO₄ in P6₃/m space group. The site group symmetry is lowered from C_s to C_v, which is correlated to the factor group (C_{6h}) as: A → A_g + A_u + B_g + B_u + E_{ig} + E_{iu} + E_{2g} + E_{2u}.

Internal modes	Molecular group (T _d)	Site group (C _v)	Factor group (C _{6h})	Raman activity	Number of modes
v ₁	A ₁	A	A _g + A _u + B _g + B _u + E _{ig} + E _{iu} + E _{2g} + E _{2u}	A _g + E _{ig} + E _{2g}	3
v ₂	E	2A	A _g + A _u + B _g + B _u + E _{ig} + E _{iu} + E _{2g} + E _{2u}	2 A _g + 2 E _{ig} + 2 E _{2g}	6
v ₃	T ₂	3A	A _g + A _u + B _g + B _u + E _{ig} + E _{iu} + E _{2g} + E _{2u}	3 A _g + 3 E _{ig} + 3 E _{2g}	9
v ₄	T ₂	3A	A _g + A _u + B _g + B _u + E _{ig} + E _{iu} + E _{2g} + E _{2u}	3 A _g + 3 E _{ig} + 3 E _{2g}	9
				Total:	27