

1 Elasticity of Calcium and Calcium-Sodium Amphiboles

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13 Abstract

14 Measurements of single-crystal elastic moduli under ambient conditions are
15 reported for nine calcium to calcium-sodium amphiboles that lie in the composition
16 range of common crustal constituents. Velocities of body and surface acoustic waves
17 measured by Impulsive Stimulated Light Scattering (ISLS) were inverted to
18 determine the 13 moduli characterizing these monoclinic samples. Moduli show a
19 consistent pattern: $C_{33} > C_{22} > C_{11}$ and $C_{23} > C_{12} > C_{13}$ and $C_{44} > C_{55} \sim C_{66}$ and for the uniquely
20 monoclinic moduli, $|C_{35}| > |C_{46}| \sim |C_{25}| > |C_{15}| \sim 0$. Most of the compositionally-induced
21 variance of moduli is associated with aluminum and iron content. Seven moduli (C_{11}
22 C_{12} C_{13} C_{22} C_{44} C_{55} C_{66}) increase with increasing aluminum while all diagonal moduli
23 decrease with increasing iron. Three moduli (C_{11} , C_{13} and C_{44}) increase with
24 increasing sodium and potassium occupancy in A-sites. The uniquely monoclinic
25 moduli (C_{15} C_{25} and C_{35}) have no significant compositional dependence. Moduli
26 associated with the a^* direction (C_{11} C_{12} C_{13} C_{55} and C_{66}) are substantially smaller
27 than values associated with structurally and chemically related clinopyroxenes.
28 Other moduli are more similar for both inosilicates. The isotropically averaged
29 adiabatic bulk modulus does not vary with iron content but increases with
30 aluminum content from 85 GPa for tremolite to 99 GPa for pargasite. Increasing
31 iron reduces while increasing aluminum increases the isotropic shear modulus
32 which ranges from 47 GPa for ferro-actinolite to 64 for pargasite. These results
33 exhibit far greater anisotropy and higher velocities than apparent in earlier work.
34 Compressional velocities are as fast as ~ 9 km/s and (intermediate between the a^* -
35 and c -axes) are as slow as ~ 6 km/s. Voigt-Reuss-Hill averaging based on prior single
36 crystal moduli resulted in calculated rock velocities lower than laboratory
37 measurements, leading to adoption of the (higher velocity) Voigt bound. Thus,
38 former uses of the upper Voigt bound can be understood as an *ad hoc* decision to
39 compensate for inaccurate data. Furthermore, because properties of the end-
40 member amphiboles deviate substantially from prior estimates, all predictions of
41 rock velocities as a function of modal mineralogy and elemental partitioning require
42 reconsideration.

43 Key Words: elasticity, anisotropy, seismic velocities, aggregate elasticity, amphibole,
44 hornblende

45 **1. Introduction**

46 Amphiboles are abundant in crustal igneous and metamorphic rocks. They exhibit a
47 wide range of compositions as a result of extensive solid solution behavior,
48 accommodating all of the abundant cation species (silicon, aluminum, magnesium,
49 iron, calcium, sodium, and potassium). The structure also contains ~2 wt% bound
50 water. When subducted, dehydration reactions in rocks containing amphiboles
51 release water at depth that probably affects the evolution of magma in arc
52 volcanism and is likely associated with intermediate and deep earthquakes (Hacker
53 *et al.* 2003b) as well as seismic tremor/slow slip (Audet *et al.*, 2010).

54 Since amphiboles are ubiquitous, the description of the crustal seismic structure
55 requires characterization of their elastic properties (*e.g.* Christensen and Mooney
56 1995, Christensen 1996, Hacker *et al.* 2003a, Barberini *et al.* 2007, Tatham *et al.*
57 2008, Llana-Funez and Brown 2012, Ji *et al.* 2013, Selway *et al.* 2015). However,
58 knowledge concerning their single-crystal elasticity and compositional dependences
59 has remained elusive. In the pioneering work that continues to be cited,
60 Aleksandrov and Ryzhova (1961a) reported single crystal elastic moduli for two
61 “hornblendes” of unspecified composition based on only slightly over-determined
62 sets of ultrasonic velocity measurements on megacrysts under ambient conditions.
63 As previously demonstrated in studies of feldspars (Brown *et al.* 2006; Brown *et al.*
64 2016; and Waesermann *et al.* 2016), results from these early studies have proven to
65 be systematically in error.

66 That the early ultrasonic results under-estimate velocities most likely was a result of
67 open cleavage surfaces and cracks. Also contributing was an inadequate sampling of
68 velocities as a function of propagation direction. Based on the lack of reported
69 chemistry and probable systematic errors, these early results are considered here in
70 the context of having incorrectly influenced various interpretations of crustal
71 seismic structure that were grounded on mineral properties. In particular, in order
72 to better match laboratory measurements, the compensating use of the upper Voigt
73 bound when calculating aggregate rock velocities has been common. In contrast,
74 Watt and O’Connell (1980) demonstrated that, in well-characterized and nearly
75 crack-free samples, velocities in two phase aggregates fell within the Hashin-
76 Shtrikman bounds which lie between the extremal Voigt and Reuss bounds (see also
77 Watt *et al.* 1976).

78 A few determinations of single-crystal elastic properties are available within the
79 broad range of amphibole compositions. Bezacier *et al.* (2010) gave elastic moduli
80 for a crystal having a composition near the glaucophane end-member. High pressure
81 x-ray cell parameter determinations have been reported for tremolite, pargasite,
82 and glaucophane (Comodi *et al.* 1991) and for synthetic glaucophane (Jenkins *et al.*
83 2010).

84 Hacker *et al.* (2003a) compiled available (isotropically averaged) elasticity data for
85 important rock-forming minerals including amphiboles. They excluded the
86 Aleksandrov and Ryzhova (1961a) moduli as probably being in error and relied on
87 the Christensen (1996) rock velocity measurements to estimate properties of an
88 average crustal “hornblende”. To constrain properties of other end-member

89 compositions, they used Holland and Powell (1998) plus the Comodi *et al.* (1991)
90 compression measurements. Although an isothermal bulk modulus can be inferred
91 from pressure-induced strains, the shear modulus, necessary to estimate body wave
92 velocities, cannot be determined solely from the hydrostatic x-ray data. Instead,
93 Hacker *et al.* (2003a) estimated shear moduli on the basis of the reported bulk
94 moduli and an assumed Poisson's ratio. They noted that this was a remaining source
95 of uncertainty.

96 As shown later in section 6.3, an isothermal bulk modulus measured under
97 hydrostatic compression (which is equivalent to the elastic aggregate lower-bound
98 Reuss average) is significantly smaller than the appropriate Voigt-Reuss-Hill or
99 Hashin-Shtrikman bulk modulus used for calculation of seismic velocities. Bulk
100 moduli for some amphiboles given by Hacker *et al.* (2003a) appear to represent the
101 Reuss bound. They combined lower bound moduli (in some cases) in an upper-
102 bound Voigt average for calculations of velocities in rocks as mixtures of minerals.
103 Thus, the accuracy of their analysis relied on how well the two errors off-set each
104 other.

105 Here elastic moduli are reported for nine amphiboles that lie in the range of
106 compositions commonly found in crustal rocks (Schumacher 2007). Elastic wave
107 velocities (body wave and surface wave) were measured using Impulsive Stimulated
108 Light Scattering (ISLS) (Abramson *et al.* 1999). A joint inversion allowed accurate
109 determination of the 13 elastic moduli for these monoclinic minerals. The
110 dependences of moduli on composition are determined through linear regression.
111 From these, relationships to crystal structure and seismic velocities can be explored.
112 Ultimately, more accurate predictions of seismic properties of rocks can be
113 undertaken on the basis of modal mineralogy and elemental partitioning.

114 **2. Amphibole chemistry and structure**

115 As reviewed by Hawthorn and Oberti (2007), the monoclinic (*C2/m*) calcium
116 (including common hornblende) to calcium-sodium amphiboles have a generalized
117 formula of



119 where the A-site is occupied by sodium and potassium or remains vacant and the B-
120 site is occupied by sodium or calcium. The octahedrally coordinated C-sites contain
121 iron (divalent or trivalent), magnesium, or aluminum (designated as ^{vi}Al). The
122 tetrahedral T-sites contain silicon and aluminum (typically up to two aluminum per
123 eight sites, occasionally more, and designated as ^{iv}Al). Other common minor
124 chemical components (Ti, Mn, Co, Cr) are found in size and valence-state
125 appropriate sites. Fluorine and chlorine can substitute for OH⁻¹.

Figure 1

126 The naming conventions associated with chemistry of calcium and sodium
127 amphiboles (Hawthorne *et al.* 2012, see also Leake *et al.* 1997) are illustrated in
128 Figure 1 using three compositional variables. Aluminum in the T-sites increases
129 from left to right. The site occupancy of A (sodium+potassium) extends in the
130 vertical direction. The solid-solution substitution of sodium for calcium in the B-
131 sites extends into the figure. Although complete solid-solution substitution is

132 possible within this compositional space, several of the stoichiometric compositions
133 are given discrete names. Tremolite is $[\text{Ca}_2\text{Mg}_5\text{Si}_8\text{O}_{22}(\text{OH})_2]$ (where the brackets
134 denote the vacant A-site) while winchite has one calcium and one sodium in the B-
135 site. Glaucofane has all sodium in the B-site with coupled substitutions of a
136 trivalent cation in C-sites required to balance charge. Hornblende is both an end-
137 member in Figure 1 and is a generalized term for calcium amphiboles with
138 intermediate tetrahedral aluminum compositions. In addition, solid-solution
139 substitution of iron for magnesium gives rise to iron end-members for all phases
140 shown in Figure 1 with ferro- added to the name (*e.g.* ferro-pargasite).

141 Amphiboles have I-beam structures of two double tetrahedral chains that are
142 bonded to each other by an octahedral sheet with five C-site cations. The I-beams
143 are oriented along the *c*-axis with A-site cations (when present) bonding the I-
144 beams along the *a*-axis and B-site cations serving to bond I-beams along the *b*-
145 direction. Clinopyroxenes share similar chemical variations in a structure that is
146 closely related to the amphiboles, both being inosilicates but the pyroxenes have a
147 single tetrahedral chains aligned along the *c*-axis. The general formula of the
148 clinopyroxene is BCT_2O_6 with the B and C sites being equivalent to those found in
149 the amphiboles. End member pyroxenes include diopside ($\text{CaMgSi}_2\text{O}_6$)
150 hedenbergite ($\text{CaFeSi}_2\text{O}_6$), and jadeite ($\text{NaAlSi}_2\text{O}_6$).

151 Having a wide range of solid-solution substitutions for essentially the same crystal
152 structure, amphiboles provide a natural laboratory for the exploration of chemical
153 controls on elasticity. Variations in elastic moduli are anticipated from changes of
154 ionic sizes and charges, as a result of cation substitutions in the A, B, C and T sites.
155 Comparisons of elasticity between pyroxenes and amphiboles provides further
156 opportunities to explore factors influencing elastic behavior.

157 **3. Sample sources and characterization**

158 The sources, localities (when known), x-ray determined volumes, and densities of
159 nine amphiboles are given in Table 1. Their structural formula, based on Probe-
160 AMPH (Tindle and Webb, 1994), are given in Table 2 and are plotted in perspective
161 in Figure 1. The underlying microprobe measurements are reported in Table S1 of
162 the supporting materials. Samples 1 and 2 with ~ 1 sodium in the B-site are
163 classified as calcium-sodium amphiboles. The remaining seven samples are calcium
164 amphiboles. The chemistry of the glaucofane sample used by Bezacier *et al.* (2010)
165 and the average calcium amphibole composition reported by Schumacher (2007)
166 are also included in Table 2. As noted by Schumacher (2007), calcium amphiboles
167 cover a wide range of intermediate compositions within the compositional space
168 defined in Figure 1 and his reported average (based on over 1700 published
169 analyses) may be a biased estimator of an average “hornblende” in crustal rocks
170 since samples were analyzed for specific science interests rather than being chosen
171 to best represent crustal chemistry. Nonetheless, this average provides a reference
172 point, defining a common hornblende composition in the following discussion.

Table 1

Table 2

173 In Figure 2, sample compositions are projected onto pairs of compositional
174 variables. The nine samples used in this study show a range of compositions that
175 generally brackets the averages reported by Schumacher (2007). This is

Figure 2

176 prerequisite to determining compositional contributions to the elastic properties
177 within the appropriate bounds of elemental partitioning in crustal calcium
178 amphiboles.

179 The following convention is adopted to align the crystallographic axes with respect
180 to the Cartesian axes for the description of the elastic tensor. The Y axis is aligned
181 parallel to the crystallographic b -axis and the Z axis is aligned parallel to the c -axis.
182 The X axis is set in the a^* -direction (perpendicular to the b - and c -axes). Elastic
183 moduli (stiffnesses) are represented by the 6 by 6 matrix C_{ij} using the Voigt
184 convention. The inverse of this matrix is the compliance matrix S_{ij} .

185 The vertical sum of the first three rows of the compliance matrix gives six strains, β_i ,
186 associated with the application of unit hydrostatic stress. Based on $2/m$ symmetry
187 β_4 and β_6 are zero. These strains can be cast as a 3x3 symmetric tensor which gives
188 crystal compressibility under hydrostatic stress at the limit of zero stress.

189 **4. Experimental methods**

190 Both body wave (compressional and transverse) and surface acoustic wave (SAW)
191 velocities were measured using the method of Impulsive Stimulated Light Scattering
192 (ISLS) (Abramson *et al.* 1999). All measurements (typically between 100 and 200
193 individual velocity determinations per sample) are reported in Table S2 of the
194 supplementary materials. Details of the experiments and the methods used to
195 determine elastic parameters for low symmetry minerals have been described for
196 body wave measurements (Collins and Brown 1998) and, separately, for SAW
197 measurements (Brown *et al.* 2006).

198 New in this work is the joint inversion of both body and SAW velocities as described
199 in Brown (2016). Although a complete body wave data set is sufficient to determine
200 all elastic moduli, it proved difficult to obtain a full set of velocities (compressional
201 and two polarizations of transverse waves) for all propagation directions in these
202 natural samples. In some directions, internal flaws scattered light so strongly that
203 the body wave signal could not be recovered from the background and velocities for
204 both polarizations of transverse waves could not be obtained in an adequate
205 number of propagation directions. SAW velocities, based on light coherently
206 scattered from a polished surface, could be more readily measured for all directions
207 of propagation.

208 The typical *rms* misfit (reported in Table S2) obtained through joint fitting of all
209 measurements is $\sim 0.2\%$. This is about 12 m/s for SAW and 16-20 m/s for body
210 waves. Such misfits are essentially identical to those previously reported for
211 individually analyzed body wave and SAW mineral data sets (*e.g.* Collins and Brown
212 1998 and Brown *et al.* 2016) and are representative of intrinsic errors associated
213 with the technique (*e.g.* Abramson *et al.* 1999). Thus, no additional systematic errors
214 appear to have been introduced through joint analysis of body wave and SAW
215 velocity determinations.

216 The resulting elastic moduli C_{ij} and their associated 2σ uncertainties are listed in
217 Table 3 for the nine amphiboles plus glaucophane. The compliance matrix elements
218 S_{ij} (inverse of the matrix C_{ij}) and compliances sums, β_i , are listed in Table S2. The

Table 3

219 sums are also given in principal axis coordinates of the hydrostatic compressibility
220 ellipsoid.

221 Body wave velocities for glaucophane in Bezacier *et al.* (2010) were reanalyzed
222 using the same numerical optimization methods used here. The velocity misfit was
223 reduced from the previously reported 44 m/s (about 0.5%) to 37 m/s. Some of the
224 new moduli differ by ~ 2 GPa and some uncertainties given by Bezacier *et al.* (2010)
225 are substantially different from those reported here (see further discussion in
226 Brown 2016). In particular, it would appear that previously reported uncertainties
227 of some off-diagonal moduli were under-estimated and several diagonal
228 uncertainties were over-estimated. Moduli uncertainties for glaucophane are
229 roughly twice as large as those for the calcium and calcium-sodium amphiboles as is
230 appropriate for the observed larger misfit to measured velocities.

231 **5. Elastic moduli and their compositional dependence**

232 Elastic moduli and isotropic body wave velocities are plotted in panels of Figure 3 as
233 a function of total aluminum. Also plotted in the panels are predictions based on fits
234 in chemical composition that are described below. The moduli that are non-zero for
235 orthorhombic crystals are shown in the top three panels. The uniquely monoclinic
236 moduli are plotted in the lower left panel. Adiabatic bulk and shear moduli given as
237 the mean of Hashin-Shtrikman bounds (Brown 2015) are shown in the middle lower
238 panel and the resulting isotropic compressional and transverse wave velocities are
239 in the lower right panel.

Figure 3

240 For all compositions the relative sizes of the moduli remain consistent. That is
241 $C_{33} > C_{22} > C_{11}$ and $C_{23} > C_{12} > C_{13}$, and $C_{44} > C_{55} \sim C_{66}$ and for the uniquely monoclinic moduli,
242 $|C_{35}| > |C_{46}| \sim |C_{25}| > |C_{15}| \sim 0$. The same pattern and roughly similar moduli are apparent
243 for glaucophane. However, the C_{22} , C_{33} , and C_{23} moduli of glaucophane are
244 significantly stiffer. As further discussed below, the large value of C_{35} (comparable
245 to the off-diagonal orthorhombic moduli and larger than all other monoclinic
246 moduli) is responsible for a rotation of elastic extrema in the crystallographic plane
247 containing the a - and c -axes.

248 Six chemical controls on elasticity associated with changes in cation charges and
249 sizes can be identified as likely to produce significant effects. These are (1) total
250 aluminum content, or its separate content in either (2) T-sites or (3) C-sites, (4) iron
251 content in C-sites (mainly replacing magnesium), the (5) degree of A-site occupation,
252 and (6) sodium replacement of calcium in B-sites. Other possibilities that are less
253 likely to have a measureable impact (including replacement of OH^{-1} with Cl^{-1} or F^{-1} ,
254 or changes in the ferric-ferrous iron ratio) could not be studied on the basis of a
255 limited number of samples.

256 Moduli are assumed to be linear in the six compositional metrics identified above.
257 Tremolite is used as the base composition and changing chemical content is given by
258 the formula unit measures listed in Table 2. A standard statistical measure, the F-
259 test (Rencher 2002), determined the significance of the proposed metrics through
260 stepwise addition and removal of terms using MATLAB® function *stepwiselm*. Only
261 three compositional terms were found to have significant impact at the 95%
262 confidence level; these are total aluminum, A-site occupancy, and iron in the C-site.

263 Despite the difference in charge and ionic radius, the substitution of sodium for
264 calcium in the B- site appears to have negligible impact on moduli. In addition, at the
265 95% confidence level, no tested parameterization could reconcile the glaucophane
266 moduli with the calcium and calcium-sodium amphiboles moduli. This suggests that
267 the elasticity of the fully sodium amphibole does not lie on a continuum of linear
268 solid solution behavior or that the experimental uncertainty is larger than estimated.
269 No regression based on compositional “vectors” that are linear combination of the
270 compositional metrics, as suggested by Schumacher (2007), adequately fit the data.

271 Regression parameters are given in Tables 4 and 5. Blanks in the tables indicate no
272 significant contributions for particular terms. The first column of values gives the
273 estimate for end-member tremolite. Nominal magnesium hornblende (composition
274 as shown in Figure 1) is modeled by adding one aluminum (one times the second
275 column of values for dM/Al). For edenite one unit of the third column (dM/dA) is
276 added to the hornblende estimate. Fero-actinolite is calculated as the first column
277 (tremolite) plus five times the fourth column (dM/dFe), replacing 5 Mg with 5 Fe.

Table 4

Table 5

278 Average experimental uncertainties for the moduli are in the next to last column and
279 the last column gives the *rms* misfits of the regressions. For the three moduli
280 showing significant sensitivity to A-site occupancy, an alternative model using only
281 total aluminum and iron metrics, is also listed. Most regression misfits are
282 comparable to experimental uncertainty. However, that the regression misfits tend
283 to be larger than experimental uncertainties argue for additional errors or for an
284 incorrectly parameterized chemical dependence. In particular, (1) errors in the
285 determination of sample compositions may be a factor, (2) errors in the moduli may
286 be under estimated, (3) additional compositional metrics may be necessary, or (4)
287 moduli may vary non-linearly with chemistry as was observed in the plagioclase
288 feldspar series (Brown *et al.* 2016).

289 The regression predictions for moduli and isotropic velocities are shown in Figure 3.
290 Solid lines give the trends associated with increasing aluminum for an iron-free
291 mineral with no A-site occupation. Dashed lines give the predicted behavior of the
292 ferro-equivalent mineral. For moduli showing dependence on A-site occupancy or
293 iron content, the open symbols show predicted moduli. Predicted moduli lie on the
294 solid lines at the appropriate aluminum content if open symbols are not plotted.

295 All diagonal elastic moduli (and the isotropic average shear modulus) are sensitive
296 to iron; these moduli all decrease with the addition of iron. As seen in Table 4 and in
297 Figure 3, the derivatives of the moduli with respect to iron are similar for all
298 diagonal constants. Seven of thirteen moduli (C_{11} C_{22} C_{13} C_{12} C_{44} C_{55} C_{66}) increase with
299 aluminum content while C_{46} decreases with aluminum. Five moduli (C_{33} C_{23} and the
300 monoclinic moduli C_{15} C_{25} and C_{35}) have no significant dependence on aluminum.
301 Both isotropic moduli (bulk modulus and shear modulus) increase with added
302 aluminum. A small number of moduli (C_{11} C_{13} and C_{44}) are dependent on A-site
303 occupancy. The alternative models with no A-site dependence in Tables 4 and 5
304 have significantly greater misfit. Note that large deviations between C_{13} values in
305 Figure 3 and the solid line are well predicted by variations in A-site occupation. In
306 Table 5, all three metrics are necessary to adequately predict the variations of

307 density and the isotropic transverse wave velocities while aluminum and iron
308 content are sufficient to predict compressional velocities.

309 **6. Discussion**

310 **6.1 Compositional and structural controls on elasticity**

311 In Table 6 the elastic moduli of several amphibole compositions are compared with
312 chemically related clinopyroxene. Amphibole moduli associated with longitudinal
313 stresses and strains involving the a^* -axis (ie. C_{11} C_{12} C_{13} C_{55} C_{66}) are all significantly
314 smaller by approximately a factor of two than the same clinopyroxene moduli while
315 moduli associated with the b - and c -axes (C_{22} C_{33} C_{23} C_{44}) are notably similar. That
316 (as shown in Table 4) C_{11} and C_{13} increase with increasing A-site occupation seems
317 reasonable since cations in the A-site provide additional bonding and thus
318 additional resistance to compression along the a^* -direction. However, even with full
319 A-site occupations, these amphibole moduli remain smaller than those for
320 pyroxenes (that lack the A-site). The reversal of sign for the uniquely monoclinic
321 moduli (C_{15} C_{25} and most importantly C_{35}) are responsible for a major shift in the
322 orientation of anisotropy between amphiboles and pyroxenes that is further
323 discussed below. With a few exceptions, amphiboles and the compositionally related
324 clinopyroxenes show similar patterns: added aluminum increases some moduli and
325 added iron lowers the diagonal moduli. These trends in amphiboles are further
326 explored through comparison of velocity anisotropy and the hydrostatic-induced
327 strain anisotropy.

Table 6

328 **6.2 Velocity Anisotropy**

329 Compressional and transverse wave velocities are shown in Figure 4 as a function of
330 propagation direction in three orthogonal planes. The orientations of
331 crystallographic axes are shown. Light grey circles indicate velocities of 2, 4, 6, 8
332 and 9.5 km/s. Dark curves give the velocities for the three elastic waves in each
333 plane. For comparison with the amphiboles, the velocities for a nearly iron-free
334 diopside based on moduli reported by Isaak *et al.* (2006) are shown in the top row;
335 the diopside moduli more recently reported by Sang *et al.* (2011) are in agreement
336 with the Isaak *et al.* results. Below that, velocities for the end member amphibole
337 tremolite based on the current study are shown. Compressional velocities based on
338 the elastic moduli of sample I of Aleksandrov and Ryzhova are also plotted along
339 with tremolite. In the third row velocities for pargasite
340 ($\text{NaCa}_2(\text{Mg}_4\text{Al})(\text{Si}_6\text{Al}_2)\text{O}_{22}(\text{OH})_2$) based on the current work are shown. The bottom
341 row gives glaucophane velocities based on measurements of Bezacier *et al.* (2010).

Figure 4

342 Compressional velocities for both diopside and the amphiboles are uniformly most
343 anisotropic in the X-Z plane (containing the a - and c -axes) and are most isotropic in
344 the Y-Z plane (containing the b - and c -axes). Although not fully symmetric,
345 compressional velocities in the X-Z plane are roughly ellipsoidal (although diopside
346 maintains higher velocities over a broader range of directions) with the semi-major
347 axis rotated from alignment with the c -axis. The diopside semi-major axis is rotated
348 clockwise (associated with positive values for the uniquely monoclinic moduli C_{15}
349 and C_{35}) while the semi-major axis for all amphiboles is rotated counterclockwise
350 (associated with negative values for C_{15} and C_{35}).

351 The maximum compressional velocity for both the diopside and the iron-free
352 amphiboles is >9 km/s. All amphiboles are more anisotropic than clinopyroxenes as
353 a result of the small values of moduli associated with the a^* direction (C_{11} C_{12} C_{13} C_{55}
354 and C_{66}). The lowest compressional velocity for tremolite is ~6 km/s in a direction
355 ~20° counter-clockwise from the positive a^* . Pargasite (with more aluminum and
356 full occupancy of the A-site) has a larger minimum velocity of ~7 km/s in roughly
357 the same orientation. Glaucophane compressional velocity anisotropy is
358 intermediate between tremolite and pargasite with the semi-major axis located
359 closer to the c -axis. Based on the compositional derivatives in Table 4, velocities for
360 iron-rich amphiboles (ie. ferro-actinolite and ferro-pargasite) are substantially
361 lower (8.4 km/s in the fast direction and 5.3 km/s in the slowest direction) as a
362 result of smaller values for the diagonal moduli and larger densities.

363 The greater transverse wave anisotropy for amphiboles than for clinopyroxene is
364 evident in Figure 4. Amphibole transverse wave anisotropy ranges from a minimum
365 velocity for tremolite of 3.7 km/s and a maximum of 5.2 km/s. Within the a - b plane
366 transverse velocities for the two transverse wave polarizations are equal in the a^* -
367 direction and show the greatest difference in the b -direction.

368 As shown in Figure 4, velocities based on the hornblende moduli reported by
369 Aleksandrov and Ryzhova (1961a) do not compare well with the current amphibole
370 data. Compressional velocities are both significantly smaller and have less
371 anisotropy as shown in the b - c plane. The magnitude of the velocity anisotropy and
372 its orientation relative to crystal axes, as illustrated in the a - c plane, do not match
373 current data. It is likely that these moduli, like the moduli for the feldspars (as
374 previously discussed in Brown *et al.* 2016 and Waesselman *et al.* 2016) are biased as
375 a result of open cleavage surfaces and cracks.

376 The moduli for amphiboles reported here and the previously reported moduli for
377 plagioclase (Brown *et al.* 2016) and potassium feldspars (Waeselman *et al.* 2016),
378 taken together, show that all major crustal mineral phases are highly anisotropic. In
379 fact, they are as anisotropic as the sheet silicates phlogopite (Chheda *et al.* 2014)
380 and muscovite (Vaughan and Guggenheim 1986). Thus, any preferred orientations
381 of minerals will lead to rocks that exhibit significantly anisotropic velocities.

382 In the absence of alternative data, all past efforts to understand crustal seismic
383 anisotropy and the anisotropy measured in rocks with preferred crystal
384 orientations have relied on the moduli reported by Aleksandrov and Ryzhova
385 (1961a, 1961b). A pragmatic choice, compensating for the low moduli has been to
386 use the Voigt average (upper elastic aggregate bound) rather than the more
387 appropriate Hill or Hashin-Shtrikman average (see also the discussion in Brown *et al.*
388 *et al.* 2016 related to plagioclase minerals). As demonstrated in Figure 4, use of the
389 Aleksandrov and Ryzhova moduli fails to account for the full anisotropy of the
390 amphiboles in rocks containing crystal preferred orientations. It would appear
391 necessary to recalculate properties of amphibole-rich rocks on the basis of more
392 accurate determinations of amphibole elasticity.

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394 **6.3 Isotropic moduli and body wave velocities**

395 Estimates for the bulk moduli of calcium and sodium amphiboles are summarized in
396 Table 7. In the top row are the results based on the current work plus glaucophane.
397 The Reuss average adiabatic bulk moduli are corrected to isothermal conditions
398 using thermodynamic properties summarized in Hacker *et al.* (2003a) which results
399 in a reduction by about 1.5%. The values labeled H-S are the mean of the adiabatic
400 Hashin-Shtrikman bounds. Rows labeled C91 (Comodi *et al.* 1991) and J10 (Jenkins
401 *et al.* 2010) give isothermal bulk moduli based on x-ray diffraction studies at high
402 pressure. The second value (plus an uncertainty estimate) for the C91 glaucophane,
403 based on a re-analysis by using EoSFit5.2 (Angel 2001), is smaller by over 8%.
404 Jenkins *et al.* (2010) measured lattice strains in two synthetic glaucophane crystals
405 to 10 GPa and reported an isothermal bulk modulus that lies between the two
406 estimates based on the measurements by Comodi *et al.* (1991) and is larger than the
407 isotropic average of the elastic moduli of Bezacier *et al.* (2010). The last row lists
408 the compilation of bulk moduli (Hacker *et al.* 2003a) used for calculation of
409 compressional and transverse elastic wave velocities in rocks.

Table 7

410 The range of values given in Table 7 highlight several issues. As apparent in the first
411 row, the large anisotropy of amphiboles leads to large differences between the
412 aggregate bounds. The Reuss-bounded bulk moduli are significantly smaller than
413 the mean of the Hashin-Shtrikman bounds. In addition, the range of glaucophane
414 values based on axes compression measurements indicates that the accuracy of such
415 estimates is highly dependent on the method of analysis and the quality of the data.
416 The compilation of Hacker *et al.* (2003a) has moduli that appear to over-estimate
417 the dependence on iron and to under-estimate the dependence on aluminum. Some
418 of the Hacker *et al.* (2003a) entries are more similar to the Reuss bound while other
419 entries are closer to the mean of the upper and lower aggregate bounds.

420 In Table 8 current estimates for the adiabatic shear modulus are compared with the
421 estimates given by Hacker *et al.* (2003a) that were based on an assumed scaling of
422 Poisson's ratio reported by Christensen (1996). The compilation consistently under-
423 estimates the shear modulus for all amphiboles; this would lead to an under-
424 prediction of transverse wave velocities.

Table 8

425 Isotropic body wave velocities for amphiboles are shown in Table 9. The values
426 labeled "Literature" are based on Hacker *et al.* (2003a) where two significant figures
427 were given for most elastic moduli. The "hornblende" in that compilation was
428 based on hornblendite velocities reported by Christensen (1996) to four significant
429 figures. Thus, more precision is provided for the hornblende table entries. The
430 values labeled "Current" are based on averages of the Hashin-Shtrikman bounds of
431 moduli as a function of composition. The hornblende entry uses the average
432 calcium amphibole composition given by Schumacher (2007). Several trends are
433 clear for the calcium amphiboles. Increasing aluminum leads to higher
434 compressional velocities but this has less impact on transverse wave velocities.
435 Increasing iron decreases both compressional and transverse wave velocities. The
436 estimates of Hacker *et al.* (2003a) are not consistent with these trends. That the
437 average calcium amphibole has lower density and higher sound speeds than the
438 hornblendite of Christensen (1996) likely reflects a compositional difference

Table 9

439 (assuming more aluminum and more iron moves the prediction in the appropriate
440 direction to better match the hornblendite velocities).

441 Poisson's ratios,

442
$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \left(\left(\frac{V_p}{V_s} \right)^2 - 1 \right)^{-1} \right]$$

443 identified by Christensen (1996) as an important discriminator in the interpretation
444 of crustal seismology, are also listed in Table 9. The near constant values for the
445 "Literature" entries reflect the assumption required in the Hacker *et al.* (2003a)
446 compilation where no independent determination of the shear modulus was
447 available. In the current work, σ is shown to be strongly dependent on the iron
448 content of the amphiboles with low values near 0.21 for tremolite, high values of
449 0.27 for actinolite, and intermediate value of 0.24 for the calcium amphibole average.
450 Increasing aluminum leads to a small positive increase in σ . The glaucophane of
451 Bezacier *et al.* has the smallest value for Poisson's ratio.

452 The comparisons made in this section suggest that the predicted isotropic body
453 wave velocities of an average calcium amphibole (hornblende) based on the
454 compositional dependences determined here are in reasonable agreement with
455 laboratory measurements on a hornblendite of unspecified composition. Prior
456 efforts were not able to correctly describe the variation of isotropic elastic wave
457 velocities within the range of amphibole compositions found in crustal rocks.

458 **6.4 Anisotropic strain under hydrostatic stress**

459 Projections on two planes of elastic compressibilities under hydrostatic stress,
460 represented using the compliance sums, β_i , of Table S2 are shown in Figure 5. Three
461 amphiboles (tremolite, pargasite, and glaucophane) and one clinopyroxene
462 (diopside) are plotted. The dashed ellipses are based on the high pressure axis
463 compression analysis of Jenkins *et al.* (2010) while all other ellipses are calculated
464 from elastic moduli measured under ambient conditions. The panel on the left has
465 strains in the crystallographic *a-c* plane and the panel on the right has strains in the *b-*
466 *c* plane.

Figure 5

467 All amphiboles have the most compliant direction aligned between *a**- and *c*-axes.
468 The semi-major axis of the natural glaucophane (Bezacier *et al.* 2010) is rotated
469 least from *a** and tremolite is rotated most. Although the synthetic glaucophane
470 axes compressions show near isotropic strain in the *b-c* plane, the elastic moduli
471 measurements of a natural crystal show significant anisotropy that is similar to
472 pargasite. Tremolite in the *b-c* plane has intermediate anisotropy. The weaker
473 bonding of amphiboles (with vacant or partially filled A- sites) allows greater strain
474 with compression in the general *a*-axis direction. The structurally and
475 compositionally similar mineral diopside is less compliant in this direction. In the *a-*
476 *c* plane, the most and least compressible directions for diopside are rotated by about
477 90° relative to the amphiboles.

478 The comparisons made in this section indicate that strain under hydrostatic
479 compression calculated on the basis of elastic moduli measured at ambient pressure

480 are in general accord with x-ray measurements made at high pressure. However,
481 axes compliances (and the resulting bulk moduli) based on x-ray compression
482 measurements are sensitive to the form of equations of state used to fit the data (*e.g.*
483 multiple entries are given here in Table 7 and in Jenkins *et al.* 2010). Such
484 uncertainty can explain the error in the compositional behavior that was previously
485 associated with amphiboles in the compilation by Hacker *et al.* (2003a) when these
486 measurements provided the only information related to elastic properties of
487 important amphibole end member phases.

488 7. Summary

489 The full single-crystal elastic moduli of nine natural calcium to calcium-sodium
490 amphiboles have been measured. In addition, velocities of a previously studied
491 natural sodium amphibole have been re-analyzed within the computational
492 framework used in the current study. Clear trends in the behavior of moduli of the
493 calcium and calcium-sodium amphiboles as a function of composition have been
494 identified. A linear fit based on three chemical measures (total aluminum, total iron,
495 and A-site occupation) accounts for most of the compositionally-induced variance in
496 moduli. A linear fit could not reconcile the sodium amphibole glaucophane with the
497 other amphiboles. Either errors in the data or a non-linear dependence on
498 composition are likely.

499 The amphiboles and chemically related clinopyroxenes share similar values of
500 moduli except that amphibole moduli related to the a^* direction (C_{11} , C_{12} , C_{13} , C_{55} ,
501 and C_{66}) are approximately a factor of two smaller. This is likely associated with the
502 partially occupied or vacant A-site which is associated with bonding in the a -axis
503 direction. Increasing occupation of the A-site increases some of these moduli. In
504 contrast, the substitution of sodium for calcium in the B-site has no significant
505 impact on moduli. The substitution of iron in the C-sites decreases all diagonal
506 elastic moduli while leaving off-diagonal moduli unaffected.

507 The orientation of compressional velocity extrema in the a - c plane is significantly
508 rotated between the amphiboles and the clinopyroxenes. This difference is
509 associated with a large negative value of C_{35} for amphiboles and a large positive
510 value for clinopyroxenes.

511 The variation of isotropic elastic behavior of amphiboles with composition is
512 important in interpretations of crustal seismology. An earlier compilation (Hacker
513 *et al.* 2003a), could not, on the basis of then extant data, correctly determine such
514 behavior. Parameters are provided here that allow accurate determination of the
515 isotropic bulk and shear moduli of common amphiboles in crustal rocks.

516 It is noteworthy that amphiboles have higher elastic wave velocities and are more
517 anisotropic than suggested by the early measurements of Aleksandrov and Ryzhova
518 (1961a). In fact, amphiboles exhibit anisotropy nearly as large as that observed in
519 sheet silicates (Aleksandrov and Ryzhova 1961b; Vaughan and Guggenheim 1986;
520 Chheda *et al.* 2014) and the feldspars (Brown *et al.* 2006; Brown *et al.* 2016; and
521 Waesermann *et al.* 2016).

522 In efforts to reconcile laboratory measurements on rocks with predictions based on
523 the single-crystal moduli reported by Aleksandrov and Ryzhova (1961a and 1961b),
524 the *ad-hoc* use of the upper-bound Voigt average is common. This provided partial,
525 but inappropriate, compensation for under-estimated moduli. Furthermore, the
526 earlier moduli fail to account for the full anisotropy of amphiboles. Thus, all
527 predictions of the seismic response of rocks with preferred crystal orientations will
528 need to be re-evaluated.

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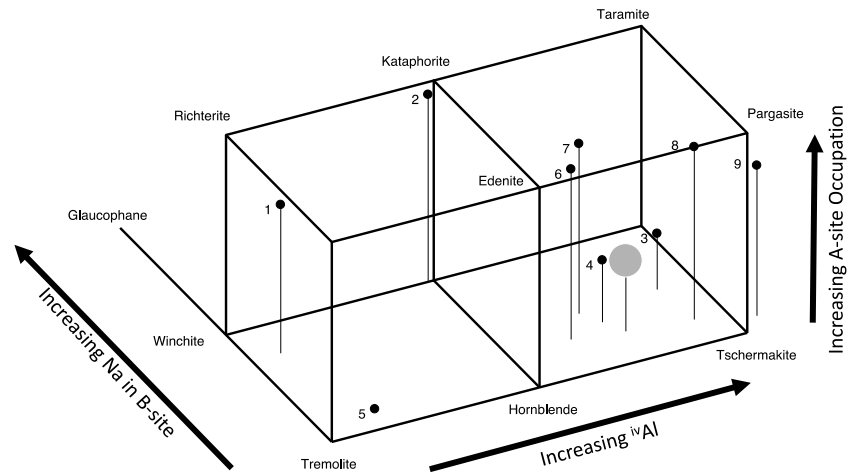
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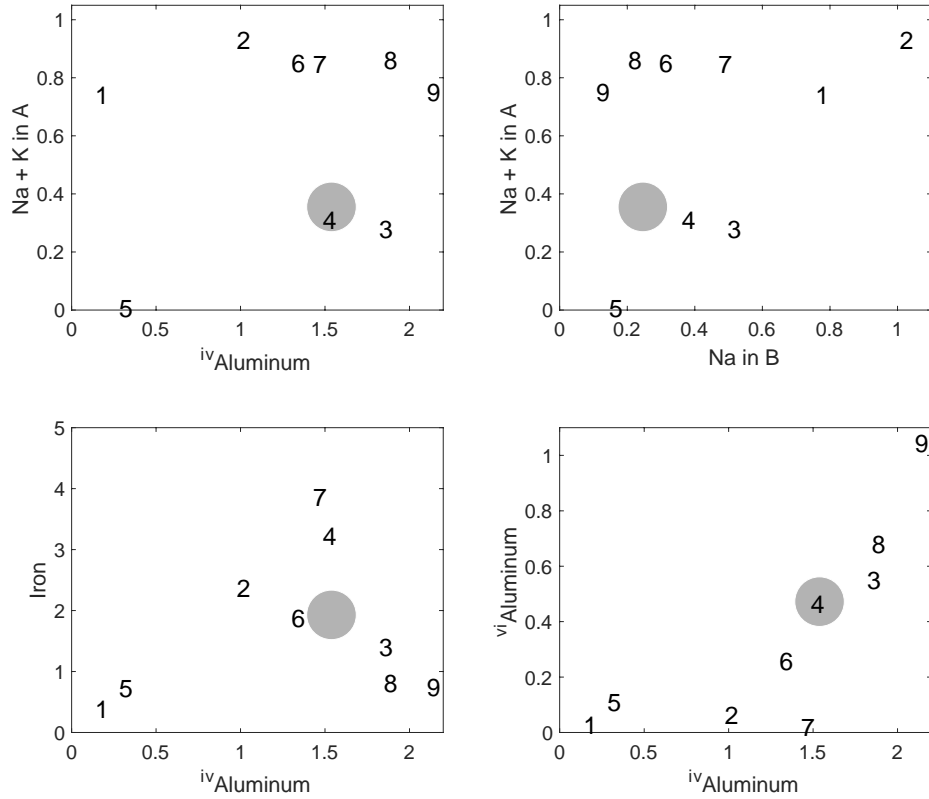
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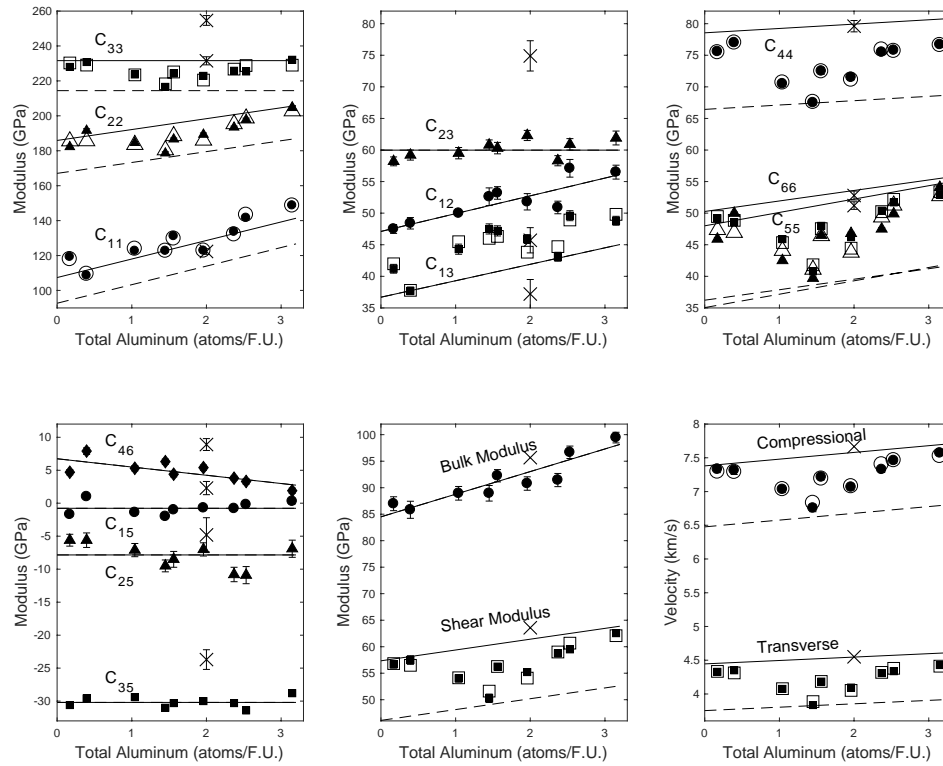
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651 Figure 1. Classification and compositions of magnesium calcium amphiboles plus
 652 glaucophane (based on Leake et al. 1997). The axis extending to the right gives
 653 increasing aluminum in tetrahedral coordination (from 0 for tremolite to $(Al_2Si_6O_{22})$
 654 for tschermakite). Occupancy of the A-site by $(Na+K)$ (from 0 to 1) is shown in the
 655 vertical direction. Substitution of Na for Ca in the B-site extends into the figure with
 656 full replacement of Ca by Na found in glaucophane. Named stoichiometric end-
 657 member compositions are identified. Full solid-solution replacement of magnesium
 658 by iron is labeled by adding ferro- to the end-member names (exceptions ferro-
 659 actinolite is the iron-bearing form of tremolite). Small filled and numbered circles
 660 are compositions of the current samples based on the chemistry provided in Table 2.
 661 The large gray circle gives the average chemistry for calcium amphiboles reported
 662 by Schumacher (2007). Lines projected to the zero of A-site occupation are
 663 provided as an aid in visualizing the sample compositions.



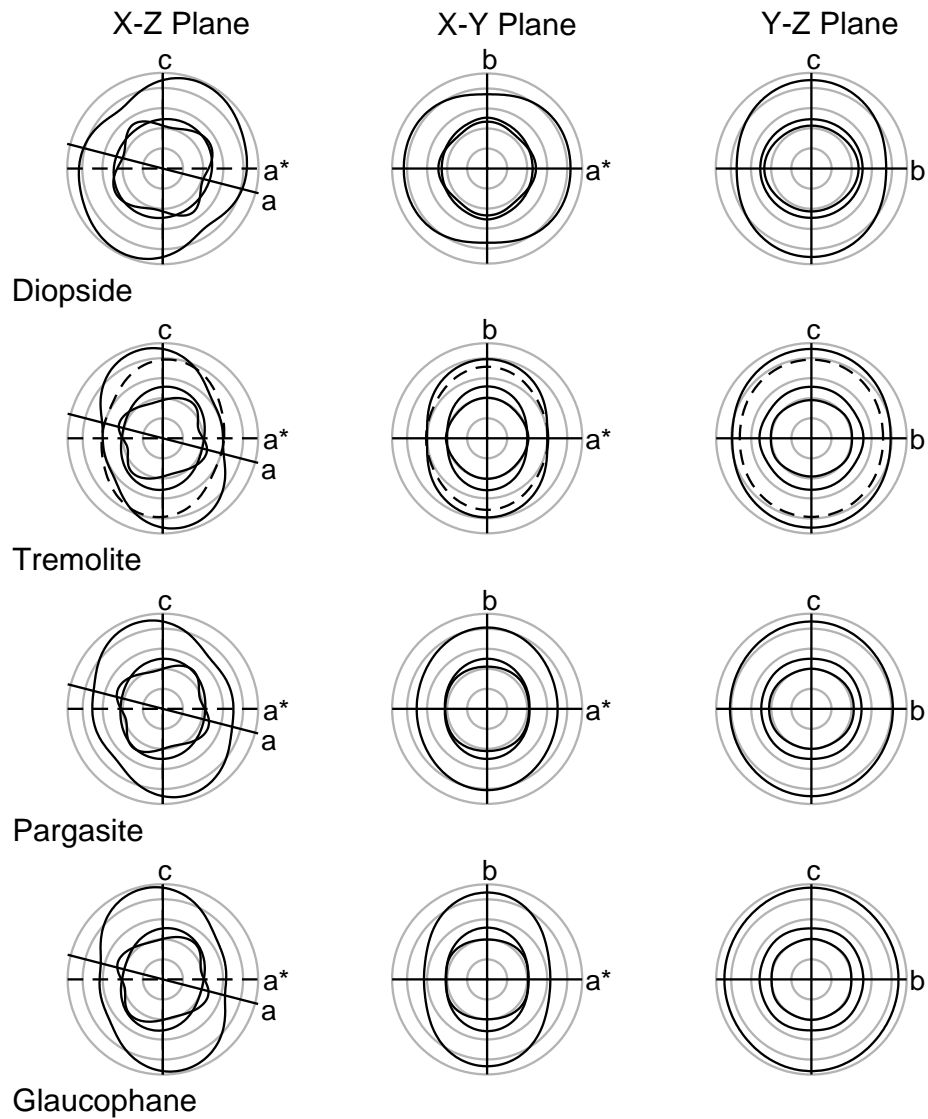
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665 Figure 2. Compositions of the amphibole samples in formula units reported in Table
 666 2. Plotted numbers correspond to the sample numbers. The gray circle is the
 667 average of calcium amphiboles reported by Schumacher (2007). The top two panels
 668 show front and side projections of the compositions illustrated in Figure 1
 669 (tetrahedral coordinated aluminum versus A-site occupation and sodium in the B-
 670 site vs A-site occupation). The lower left panel shows the number of iron atoms per
 671 formula unit vs tetrahedral coordinated aluminum. The lower panel on the right
 672 shows octahedral-coordinated aluminum versus tetrahedral-coordinated aluminum.



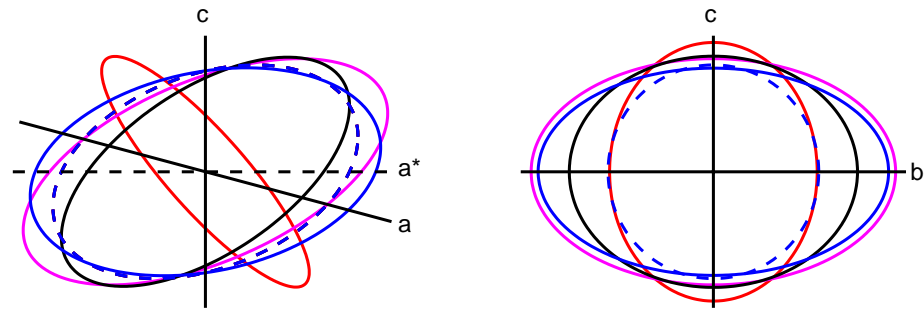
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674 Figure 3. Elastic moduli and velocities of amphiboles as a function of total aluminum.
 675 Filled symbols are current experimental results with error bars shown when larger
 676 than the plotted symbol. The different symbol shapes are associated with particular
 677 moduli as labeled in each panel. Points with the X symbols are moduli and velocities
 678 for glaucophane (Bezacier *et al.* 2010). Solid lines are regression predictions for
 679 increasing aluminum content in an iron-free mineral. Dashed lines (when present)
 680 give the predicted ferro-equivalent behavior. Open symbols (when present) give the
 681 prediction of moduli sensitive to iron or A-site occupancy. When no open symbol is
 682 plotted, the predicted moduli lie on the solid lines at the appropriate aluminum
 683 content.



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685 Figure 4. Selected inosilicate elastic wave velocities as a function of propagation
 686 direction in three orthogonal planes. For each plane normal to a Cartesian axis light
 687 circles represent velocities of 2, 4, 6, 8, and 9.5 km/s. The orientations of
 688 crystallographic axes are shown. Thick line are velocities based on the elastic
 689 moduli and propagation directions. The inner thick lines are transverse wave
 690 velocities, the outer thick line gives compressional velocities. Top row: diopside
 691 velocities based on Isaak *et al.* (2006). Second and third rows: calcium amphibole
 692 end-member velocities based on the current work. Dashed line in second row are
 693 compressional velocity predictions based on the elastic moduli for a hornblende
 694 reported by Aleksandrov and Ryzhova (1961a). Bottom row: glaucophane velocities
 695 based on Bezacier *et al.* (2010).



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697 Figure 5. Selected inosilicate strain ellipsoids under hydrostatic stress projected on
 698 the crystallographic a - c and b - c planes. Red: diopside from Isaak *et al.* (2006), Black:
 699 tremolite from current work, Magenta: pargasite from current work), Blue:
 700 glaucophane. Solid line is based on Bezacier *et al.* (2010) and dashed is from Jenkins
 701 *et al.* (2010).

702 **Tables**
703

Sample	Unit cell volume (Å ³)	Density kg/m ³	Source
1	905.7	3027	unknown
2	914.3	3255	unknown
3	901.9	3162	Gore Mountain NY, collected by B.W. Evans
4	913.6	3293	unknown
5	908.4	3038	Lake Wenatchee, WA collected by B.W. Evans
6	918.1	3213	RRuff.info #60029 R. Downs
7	934.0	3418	RRuff.info #60044 R. Downs
8	907.2	3163	RRuff.info #60632 R. Downs
9	895.2	3190	Unknown

704

705 Table 1. Amphibole sample information. "Unknown" samples were obtained as
706 mineral separates from rocks of unknown origin. Unit cell volumes are from x ray
707 analysis, densities are calculated based on unit cell volumes and microprobe
708 determined chemistry. The uncertainty in unit cell volume is 0.3%. The density
709 uncertainty, accounting for chemistry and volume uncertainties, is 0.5%.

Sample	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	GL	HBL
Structural Formulae											
Si	7.859	7.023	6.182	6.513	7.718	6.698	6.571	6.152	5.898	7.76	6.458
Al ^{iv}	0.141	0.977	1.818	1.487	0.282	1.302	1.429	1.848	2.102	0.24	1.542
Al ^{vi}	0.032	0.064	0.553	0.464	0.113	0.259	0.015	0.683	1.047	1.76	0.470
Ti	0.013	0.109	0.112	0.173	0.002	0.060	0.239	0.319	0.021	-	0.123
Cr	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.035	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.211	-	0.001
Fe ³⁺	0.097	0.769	1.263	0.727	0.494	0.365	0.559	0.000	0.157	-	0.718
Fe ²⁺	0.287	1.601	0.150	2.004	0.244	1.526	3.298	0.815	0.592	0.92	1.201
Mn	0.028	0.157	0.012	0.030	0.040	0.049	0.205	0.007	0.013	-	0.034
Mg	4.543	2.298	2.910	1.601	4.072	2.741	0.684	3.105	2.958	2.34	2.453
Ca	1.243	0.993	1.503	1.639	1.741	1.706	1.528	1.798	1.892	0.06	1.752
Na	1.236	1.674	0.683	0.577	0.146	0.805	0.981	0.696	0.789	1.90	0.480
K	0.264	0.265	0.088	0.095	0.009	0.341	0.339	0.370	0.071	-	0.121
F	0.937	0.695	0.000	0.000	0.035	0.732	0.000	0.263	0.005	-	0.000
Cl	0.002	0.015	0.000	0.008	0.000	0.030	0.000	0.005	0.000	-	0.000
OH*	1.060	1.290	2.000	1.992	1.965	1.238	2.000	1.732	1.995	2	2.000
Total	17.743	17.932	17.275	17.310	16.895	17.852	17.848	17.795	17.752	-	17.353
Site Occupancy											
(Ca+Na) (B)	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	1.887	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	1.96	2.000
Na (B)	0.757	1.007	0.497	0.361	0.146	0.294	0.472	0.202	0.108	1.90	0.248
(Na+K) (A)	0.743	0.932	0.275	0.310	0.009	0.852	0.848	0.864	0.752	-	0.353
Mg/(Mg+Fe ²⁺)	0.941	0.589	0.951	0.444	0.943	0.642	0.172	0.792	0.833	-	0.671
Fe ³⁺ /(Fe ³⁺ +Al ^{vi})	0.750	0.923	0.696	0.610	0.814	0.585	0.974	0.000	0.130	-	0.604

710

711 Table 2. Microprobe chemical analysis in formula units based on Probe-AMPH
712 (Tindle and Webb, 1994) plus the chemical analysis of the glaucophane (GL) sample
713 used in Bezacier et al. (2010) and the average calcium amphibole (HBL) as reported
714 by Schumacher (2007). See supplemental table for weight % oxides measured by
715 microprobe analysis.

	1	2σ	2	2σ	3	2σ	4	2σ	5	2σ	6	2σ	7	2σ	8	2σ	9	2σ	GI	2σ
C11	119.2	0.8	122.7	0.9	133.6	0.9	122.8	0.9	108.6	0.7	131.1	0.9	122.7	0.9	141.6	0.9	148.7	1.0	121.5	1.6
C12	47.5	0.7	50.0	0.3	50.9	1.0	51.8	1.3	48.4	0.9	53.2	1.0	52.6	1.4	57.1	1.4	56.5	1.1	44.4	2.0
C13	41.2	0.7	44.3	0.8	43.1	0.7	45.9	0.7	37.7	0.6	47.2	0.8	47.5	0.8	49.6	0.8	48.8	0.7	37.4	2.3
C15	-1.7	0.3	-1.4	0.3	-0.8	0.3	-0.7	0.3	1.0	0.3	-1.0	0.3	-2.0	0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	2.7	1.0
C22	182.2	1.3	184.6	1.2	193.4	1.2	189.3	1.3	191.6	1.4	186.6	1.2	178.6	1.2	197.8	1.3	204.6	1.3	229.7	2.3
C23	58.2	0.8	59.5	0.9	58.3	0.9	62.3	0.9	59.2	0.9	60.3	0.9	60.8	0.9	60.9	1.0	61.9	1.1	75.8	2.4
C25	-5.6	0.5	-7.1	1	-10.8	1.1	-7.0	1.0	-5.6	1.1	-8.5	1.2	-9.5	0.9	-10.9	1.3	-6.9	1.3	-4.9	2.6
C33	228.0	1.5	223.7	1.5	225.8	1.4	222.9	1.4	230.8	1.5	224.3	1.4	216.6	1.3	225.4	1.6	232.1	1.5	256.2	2.8
C35	-30.6	0.5	-29.4	0.5	-30.3	0.4	-30.0	0.4	-29.6	0.5	-30.3	0.5	-31.0	0.4	-31.4	0.5	-28.8	0.5	-23.9	1.5
C44	75.6	0.6	70.5	0.5	75.5	0.6	71.5	0.5	77.0	0.6	72.5	0.6	67.5	0.5	75.8	0.6	76.7	0.6	79.3	0.9
C46	4.7	0.4	5.3	0.4	3.8	0.3	5.4	0.4	7.9	0.5	4.4	0.4	6.3	0.4	3.3	0.4	1.9	0.4	9.3	0.9
C55	45.9	0.3	42.5	0.3	47.5	0.3	46.8	0.3	50.0	0.3	46.5	0.3	39.7	0.3	49.9	0.3	54.1	0.3	52.9	0.7
C66	49.2	0.4	45.9	0.3	50.4	0.3	46.2	0.4	48.6	0.4	48.0	0.4	40.8	0.3	51.7	0.4	52.9	0.4	51.3	0.6

Table 3. Elastic moduli (in GPa) of amphiboles. The 2 σ uncertainties include misfits to velocities and uncertainty in sample densities. The column labeled "GI" gives re-analyzed moduli and uncertainties for glaucophane based on velocities reported by Bezacier et al (2010).

	Modulus GPa	dM/dAl GPa/atom	dM/dA GPa/atom	dM/dFe GPa/atom	Experimental Uncertainty GPa	Regression Misfit GPa
C ₁₁	107.2	10.6	13.3	-2.9	1.0	1.1
	109.1	11.4			1.0	5.0
C ₁₂	47.1	2.8			1.2	1.6
C ₁₃	36.7	2.6	6.5		0.8	1.2
	39.6	3.1			0.8	2.4
C ₁₅	-0.8				0.3	0.9
C ₂₂	185.9	6.2		-3.8	1.2	2.7
C ₂₃	60.0				1.0	1.4
C ₂₅	-7.8				1.2	1.9
C ₃₃	231.6			-3.4	1.5	2.1
C ₃₅	-30.2				0.5	0.8
C ₄₄	78.5	0.7	-3.0	-2.4	0.6	0.2
	78.0			-2.5	0.6	1.1
C ₄₆	6.7	-1.3			0.4	1.1
C ₅₅	48.0	2.1		-2.6	0.4	1.9
C ₆₆	50.3	1.7		-2.8	0.4	0.8
K	84.5	4.3			1.2	1.7
G	57.5	2.0		-2.2	0.8	0.8

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718 Table 4. Linear regression parameters for amphibole individual elastic moduli and
719 the mean of Hashin-Shtrikman bounds for the adiabatic bulk (K) and shear (G)
720 modulus. Base moduli for tremolite are in the first column of values. Derivatives are
721 in units of modulus change per substitutional atom in the formula unit relative to
722 tremolite; the aluminum content varies from 0 to >3, the A-site occupation ranges
723 from 0 to 1, and iron in the C-site can range from 0 to 5. Only C₁₁, C₁₃, and C₄₄ have a
724 statistically significant dependence on the A-site occupation. An alternative fit with
725 no dependence on A-site occupation is provided (with a concomitant increase in
726 misfit). The last two columns give experimental and regression misfits.

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	M	dM/dAl	dM/dA	dM/dF_e	Experimental Uncertainty	Regression Misfit
Density (kg/m ³)	2974	42	6	58	15	7
	2928	76		158	15	157
V_p (m/s)	7380	100		-181	47	40
V_s (m/s)	4446	50	-113	-138	24	26
	4379	46		-137	24	44

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729 Table 5. Linear regression parameters for densities, and compressional and
 730 transverse wave velocities of the amphiboles. Derivatives are in units of change per
 731 substitutional atom in the formula unit relative to tremolite; the aluminum content
 732 varies from 0 to >3, the A-site occupation ranges from 0 to 1, and iron in the C-site
 733 can range from 0 to 5. Density and transverse wave velocities have a statistically
 734 significant dependence on the A-site occupation. An alternative fit with no
 735 dependence on A-site occupation is provided (with a concomitant increase in misfit).
 736 The last two columns give experimental and regression misfits.

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	C ₁₁	C ₁₂	C ₁₃	C ₁₅	C ₂₂	C ₂₃	C ₂₅	C ₃₃	C ₃₅	C ₄₄	C ₄₆	C ₅₅	C ₆₆
Diopside Isaak <i>et al.</i> 2006	228	79	70	8	181	61	6	245	40	79	6	68	78
Tremolite	107	47	37	-1	186	60	-8	232	-30	79	7	48	50
Hedenbergite Kandelin and Weidner 1988a	222	69	79	12	176	86	13	249	26	55	-10	63	60
Actinolite	93	47	37	-1	167	60	-8	215	-30	67	7	35	36
Jadeite Kandelin and Weidner 1988b	274	94	71	4	253	82	14	282	28	88	13	65	94
Glaucofane Bezacier <i>et al.</i> 2010	122	46	37	2	232	75	-5	255	-24	80	9	53	51
Di ₇₂ Hd ₉ Jd ₃ Cr ₃ Ts ₁₂ Collins and Brown 1998	238	84	80	9	184	60	10	230	48	77	8	73	82
Tr ₇₂ Ac ₉ Pg ₁₉	122	48	44	-1	185	60	-8	228	-30	74	6	46	48

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739 Table 6. Comparison of amphibole and clinopyroxene elastic moduli in GPa units.

740 Amphibole moduli are calculated using parameters given in Table 4.

	tremolite	ferro-actinolite	hornblende	tschermakite	pargasite	glauco-phane	ferro-glauco-phane
Current: Reuss	78(1)	78(1)	88(1)	88(1)	94(1)	88(1)	
H-S	85(1)	85(1)	93(1)	93(1)	99(1)	96(1)	
C91	85				97	96 88(6)	
J10						92(2)	
H03	85	76	94	76	91	96	89

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742 Table 7. Bulk moduli (GPa units) for selected amphiboles. “Current: Reuss” are
743 isothermal values using the parameters in Table 4 and from Bezacier *et al.* (2010).
744 An adiabatic to isothermal correction was applied to the adiabatic moduli using the
745 thermodynamic properties summarized in Hacker *et al.* (2003a); the correction is
746 ~1.5%. H-S are the average of adiabatic Hashin-Shtrikman bounds. In the current
747 work “hornblende” is a composition based on the Schumacher (2007) average
748 calcium amphibole. The Comodi *et al.* (1991) (C91) and Jenkins *et al.* 2010 (J10)
749 values are based on high pressure isothermal x ray compression measurements.
750 Comodi *et al.* reported values based on linear fits to the data. The second estimate in
751 the C91 row is the re-analysis given by Jenkins *et al.* using a second-order finite-
752 strain equation of state. In the last row (H03) isothermal moduli are taken from
753 Table 1 of Hacker *et al.* (2003a). Uncertainties for the current work are from Table
754 S2. The uncertainties for moduli based on axes compression measurements are
755 reported by Jenkins *et al.* 2010.

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	tremolite	ferro-actinolite	hornblende	tschermakite	pargasite	glaucophane	ferro- glaucophane
Current	58	47	57	62	64	64	
H03	49	44	55	44	53	56	52

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758 Table 8. Adiabatic shear moduli (GPa units) for selected amphibole end-members. In
759 the current work "Hornblende" designates a mineral composition based on the
760 Schumacher (2007) average calcium amphibole. The top row lists means of Hashin-
761 Shtrikman bounds based on Table 4 and on Bezacier *et al.* (2010) for glaucophane.
762 Bottom row lists values taken from Table 1 of Hacker *et al.* (2003a).

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	tremolite	ferro-actinolite	hornblende	pargasite	tschermaktite	glaucophane	ferro glaucophane
Literature V_p km/s	7.1	6.3	7.20	7.3	6.7	7.6	7.0
V_s km/s	4.1	3.6	4.12	4.1	3.8	4.3	4.0
Poisson's ratio	.25	.26	.26	.27	.26	.26	.26
Density gm/cc	2.98	3.43	3.25	3.07	3.04	3.01	3.30
Current V_p km/s	7.4	6.5	7.22	7.7	7.6	7.5	
V_s km/s	4.5	3.8	4.21	4.5	4.5	4.6	
Poisson's ratio	.21	.27	.24	.23	.23	.20	
Density gm/cc	2.97	3.26	3.18	3.11	3.06	3.07	

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765 Table 9. Isotropic body wave velocities and densities for selected amphiboles.
 766 Literature values are from the compilation of Hacker *et al.* (2003a). More significant
 767 figures are shown for the hornblende entry since these were based on actual body
 768 wave measurements from Christensen (1996). Current values are based on Table 5
 769 for calcium amphiboles (using the average calcium amphibole of Schumacher
 770 (2007) for hornblende) and Bezacier (2010) for glaucophane.

Table S1. Microprobe chemical analysis of amphiboles. The “reformatted” values are based on PROBE-AMPH (Tindle and Webb, 1994).

Sample number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
SiO ₂	56.22	46.69	43.70	43.78	55.52	45.17	40.51	42.86	41.31
TiO ₂	0.12	0.96	1.05	1.55	0.02	0.54	1.96	2.95	0.20
Al ₂ O ₃	1.05	5.87	14.22	11.13	2.41	8.93	7.55	14.96	18.72
FeO	3.28	18.84	11.94	21.95	6.35	15.25	28.43	6.79	6.27
MnO	0.24	1.23	0.10	0.24	0.34	0.39	1.49	0.06	0.11
MgO	21.80	10.25	13.80	7.22	19.65	12.40	2.83	14.51	13.90
CaO	8.30	6.16	9.92	10.28	11.69	10.74	8.79	11.69	12.37
Na ₂ O	4.56	5.74	2.49	2.00	0.54	2.80	3.12	2.50	2.85
K ₂ O	1.48	1.38	0.49	0.50	0.05	1.80	1.64	2.02	0.39
F	2.12	1.46	0	0	0.08	1.56	0.00	0.58	0.01
Cl	0.01	0.06	0	0.03	0.00	0.12	0.00	0.02	0
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.00	0.02	1.87
Reformatted									
SiO ₂	56.22	46.69	43.70	43.78	55.52	45.17	40.51	42.86	41.31
TiO ₂	0.12	0.96	1.05	1.55	0.02	0.54	1.96	2.95	0.20
Al ₂ O ₃	1.05	5.87	14.22	11.13	2.41	8.93	7.55	14.96	18.72
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.00	0.02	1.87
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.92	6.79	11.86	6.49	4.72	3.27	4.58	0.00	1.46
FeO	2.45	12.73	1.27	16.11	2.10	12.31	24.31	6.79	4.95
MnO	0.24	1.23	0.10	0.24	0.34	0.39	1.49	0.06	0.11
MgO	21.80	10.25	13.80	7.22	19.65	12.40	2.83	14.51	13.90
NiO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ZnO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CaO	8.30	6.16	9.92	10.28	11.69	10.74	8.79	11.69	12.37
Na ₂ O	4.56	5.74	2.49	2.00	0.54	2.80	3.12	2.50	2.85
K ₂ O	1.48	1.38	0.49	0.50	0.05	1.80	1.64	2.02	0.39
F	2.12	1.46	0.00	0.00	0.08	1.56	0.00	0.58	0.01
Cl	0.01	0.06	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.12	0.00	0.02	0.00
H ₂ O*	1.14	1.29	2.12	2.01	2.12	1.25	1.85	1.81	2.10
	100.41	100.63	101.03	101.34	99.56	101.28	98.63	100.77	100.24
O=F,Cl	0.89	0.63	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.68	0.00	0.25	0.00
Total	99.51	100.00	101.03	101.33	99.53	100.60	98.63	100.52	100.24

Highlights

- Elastic moduli of nine natural calcium to calcium-sodium amphiboles are reported
- Total aluminum, iron, and A-site occupation accounts for large variance in moduli
- Amphiboles are more elastically anisotropic than previously recognized
- The common preference for Voigt averaging of elastic moduli is challenged
- Seismic responses of rocks with preferred crystal orientations must be re-evaluated

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