High-*PT* neutron diffraction experiments on guyanaite: Pressure-temperature dependence of hydrogen bonding in hydrous minerals

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Water is transported to the deep mantle by hydrous minerals in a subduction zone. Hydrogen bonding in hydrous minerals greatly affects their elastic properties such as compressibility, seismic velocity, and so on [e.g., 1,2]; it is important for us to clarify the effects of water into the properties of deep-mantle minerals. Under high-pressure conditions, a lot of hydrous minerals have a distorted rutile-type structure such as δ -AlOOH and ε -FeOOH. Recently, pressure-induced hydrogen bond (H-bond) symmetrization was experimentally observed in δ -AlOOH at ~18 GPa and room temperature [3]. However, the behavior of hydrogen in distorted rutile-type hydrous minerals at high temperature has not been clarified. Guyanaite (β -CrOOH) has also a distorted rutile-type structure and its H-bonds are significantly shorter than that of δ -AlOOH and other distorted rutile-type hydrous phases at ambient condition [e.g., 3,4]. Thus, H-bond symmetrization in guyanaite is expected to occur at relatively low pressure. Guyanaite can serve as an analogue material for predicting H-bond symmetrization in distorted rutile-type hydrous minerals. In this study, we conducted high-*PT* neutron diffraction measurements on guyanaite and investigated *P-T* dependence of hydrogen bonding in guyanaite.

Deuterated guyanaite (β -CrOOD) was used as a sample to reduce incoherent scattering from hydrogen. The sample was hydrothermally synthesized from the mixture of CrO₂, D₂O and a reducing agent (COOD)₂ \cdot 2D₂O. Formation of the deuterated sample was confirmed from infrared absorption spectra and powder XRD. Neutron diffraction measurements at high-*PT* conditions up to 11 GPa and 1000 K were performed using a six-axis multi-anvil press installed at BL11, MLF, J-PARC. The structure of β -CrOOD was refined by every *P*-*T* condition using Rietveld method. High-*PT* XRD measurements up to 7.6 GPa and 900 K were also performed at NE7A, PF-AR, KEK. *P-V-T* data were fitted to high-temperature Birch–Murnaghan equation of state.

Thermoelastic parameters of β -CrOOD were determined to be $K_{300} = 204(4)$ GPa ($K_p = 4$), dK/dT = -0.033(9) GPa/K, and $\alpha = 3.05(17) \times 10^{-5}$ /K, where α is expressed as $V_T = V_{300} \times \exp\{\alpha \times (T-300)\}$. These values were comparable to those of β -CrOOH [5]. At 300 K, the axal ratio a/b increased with pressure up to ~4 GPa, but it became constant above ~4 GPa. This behavior was found in the process of H-bond symmetrization in δ -AlOOH [3]. At higher temperature, the change in the gradient of a/b shifted to higher pressure. The O···O and D···O distances elongated with increasing temperature, whereas the O-D bond distance shortened with increasing temperature. It means that the D···D distance gets longer with increasing temperature. This result suggests that the pressure of H-bond symmetrization under mantle conditions would be higher than that under high-*P* and room-*T* conditions. When we consider the effect of the H-bond symmetrization on seismic observation, we would need to carefully take the temperature dependence into account.

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