

Temperature-pressure-volume equation of state of (Mg,Fe)₂SiO₄ ringwoodite

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We present a temperature-pressure-volume (T-P-V) equation-of-state (EOS) of (Mg_{0.8},Fe_{0.2})₂SiO₄ ringwoodite based on in situ high-T and high-P synchrotron X-ray diffraction experiments up to 1700 K and 20 GPa with a multi-anvil apparatus at SPring-8. The third-order Birch-Murnaghan equation was applied to the data between 300 and 900 K, while a constant thermal-pressure fitting at temperatures higher than 900 K. By fixing previously measured volume thermal expansivities at 0 GPa and the isothermal bulk modulus at 300 K and 0 GPa, we derived the T-P-V EOS parameters of (Mg_{0.8},Fe_{0.2})₂SiO₄ ringwoodite using least squares. At P = 20 GPa and T = 1800 K, as representative conditions in the lower part of the mantle transition zone, the relative V and KT values of (Mg_{0.8},Fe_{0.2})₂SiO₄ ringwoodite with respect to the values at 300 K and 0 GPa are found to be V/V₀ = 0.9424, KT/K₀ = 1.263, based on the present EOS. About 10 % Fe is thought to substitute for Mg in the mantle. The present V/V₀ and KT/K₀ results for (Mg_{0.8},Fe_{0.2})₂SiO₄ ringwoodite, combined with the corresponding data for Mg₂SiO₄ ringwoodite, describe that the effects of the Fe substitution for Mg of (Mg_{0.9},Fe_{0.1})₂SiO₄ ringwoodite in the mantle transition zone are virtually negligible on V/V₀, and less than 1% on KT/K₀.