

Patterns in the compositions of minerals VI: a summary

As was discussed in the previous five pages of this series, the compositions of minerals can be explained and predicted at least in part in terms of variation in ionic potential of cations (shown as one moves across the panels here) and variation in the ionic potential of the simple anion (as one moves vertically through the column below) or the central charged entity of the complex anion (as one moves vertically in the panels at right).

