

Ultrafast solid-state lithium ion conductor through alloying induced lattice softening of $\text{Li}_6\text{PS}_5\text{Cl}$

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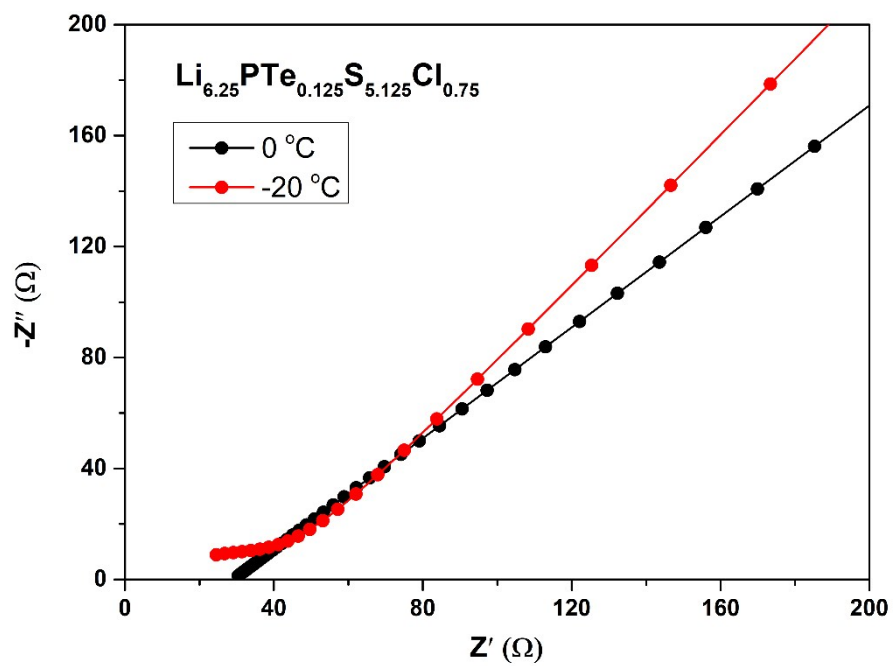


Fig. S1 Temperature dependence of impedance for the Li_{6.25}PTe_{0.125}S_{5.125}Cl_{0.75} alloy, at -20 and 0 °C.

Preparation of all-solid-state cell

The whole preparation process was carried out under an argon atmosphere inside a glove box. The flow delay coating method was used to prepare cathode and electrolyte separator of the all-solid-state cell. Thin plates of lithium were used as anode.

The preparation of cathode coating:

The cathode consisted of LiFePO_4 powder, acetylene black powder and a certain amount of poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF) as an organic binder in a 70:20:10 (wt%) ratio. These materials were mixed in a ball miller with N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (NMP) solvent. Then the slurry was coated on the aluminum foil with a thickness of $40\mu\text{m}$, which was then heated at 120°C to remove NMP.

Preparation of electrolyte separator coating:

Electrolyte separator consisted of $\text{Li}_{6.25}\text{PTe}_{0.125}\text{S}_{5.125}\text{Cl}_{0.75}$ and PVDF in a 90:10 (wt%) ratio. The mixture was mixed in a ball miller with NMP solvent. Then the slurry was coated on the cathode coating with the thickness of $20\mu\text{m}$.

The preparation of all-solid-state cell:

The aluminum foil with cathode and electrolyte coatings were pressed together and then punched into a disc with a diameter of 19 mm, which was then stacked with a lithium plate under pressure to make a CR2025 cell.

Charge and discharge measurements

The charge and discharge experiments of the all-solid-state cells (LiFePO_4 loading: 4.5 mg/cm^2) were conducted between 2.5 and 3.8 V. The cycling characteristics at 25°C were examined at a current density of 0.02 mAcm^{-2} (0.026C) at the first cycle and then 0.08 mAcm^{-2} (0.1C) for later cycles. The electrochemical properties of the cells were determined using a battery-testing instrument (LAND CT2001A), with results plotted in Fig. S2.

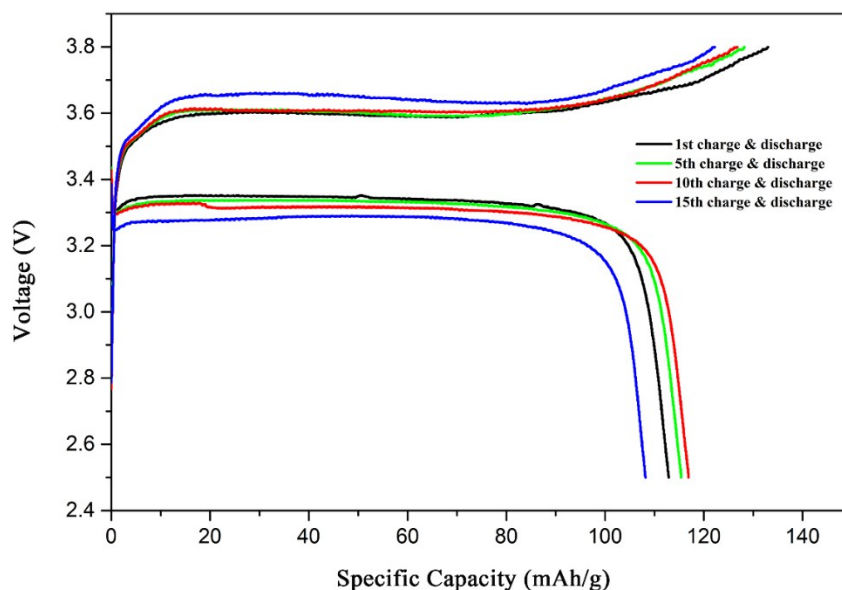


Fig. S2 Charge-discharge performance of $\text{LiFePO}_4/\text{Li}_{6.25}\text{PTe}_{0.125}\text{S}_{5.125}\text{Cl}_{0.75}/\text{Li}$ cell.

Table S1 Key parameters corresponding to each element in the equivalent circuits shown in Fig. 6.

Material	Equivalent Circuit	Element	Value	σ_{total} at 25°C (mS cm ⁻¹)
Li ₆ PS ₅ Cl	R ₀ (R ₁ Q ₁)W ₀	R ₀	6.2	0.28
		T _{Q1}	3.066×10 ⁻⁶	
		P _{Q1}	0.8969	
		R ₁	260	
		R _{W0}	282.4	
		T _{W0}	0.16816	
		P _{W0}	0.43663	
		R_{total}	266.2	
Li _{6.25} PS _{5.25} Cl _{0.75}	R ₀ (R ₁ Q ₁) W ₀	R ₀	14.5	1.03
		T _{Q1}	6.23×10 ⁻⁶	
		P _{Q1}	0.61314	
		R ₁	58	
		R _{W0}	19.2	
		T _{W0}	1.476×10 ⁻⁴	
		P _{W0}	0.27911	
		R_{total}	72.5	
Li _{6.25} PTe _{0.125} S _{5.125} Cl _{0.7} 5	R ₀ W ₀	R ₀	16.56	4.5
		R _{W0}	265	
		T _{W0}	0.0025	
		P _{W0}	0.3504	
		R_{total}	16.56	

Impedance for constant phase element (Q) and Warburg element (W) are expressed as:

$$Z_Q = \frac{1}{T \times (j\omega)^P}$$

$$Z_W = \frac{R \times \text{ctnh}[(jT\omega)^P]}{(jT\omega)^P}$$

Table S2 Derived electrical properties for $\text{Li}_{6.25}\text{PS}_{5.25}\text{Cl}_{0.75}$ and $\text{Li}_{6.25}\text{PTe}_{0.125}\text{S}_{5.125}\text{Cl}_{0.75}$.

$\text{Li}_{6.25}\text{PS}_{5.25}\text{Cl}_{0.75}$			$\text{Li}_{6.25}\text{PTe}_{0.125}\text{S}_{5.125}\text{Cl}_{0.75}$		
Temperature (°C)	R_{total}	σ_{total} (mS cm^{-1})	Temperature (°C)	R_{total}	σ_{total} (mS cm^{-1})
---	---	---	-20	46.3	1.6
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25	72.5	1.03	25	16.56	4.5
50	56.3	1.33	40	13.91	5.37
60	45	1.66	60	11.81	6.32
80	37.5	1.99	80	7.71	9.68
100	30	2.99	100	6.33	11.7
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VIDEO

The video presented the ionic trajectories of $\text{Li}_{6.25}\text{PTeS}_{4.25}\text{Cl}_{0.75}$ by AIMD at 1000K, in which Li^+ , P^{5+} , Te^{2-} , S^{2-} , and Cl^- ions are indicated by white, red, orange, yellow, and blue balls, correspondingly.