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SYMMETRY RELATIONS OF SPACE GROUPS

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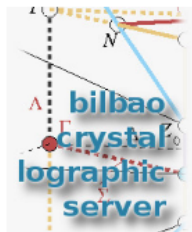


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- **New Article in Acta Cryst. A** 05/2019: Gallego *et al.* "Automatic calculation of symmetry-adapted tensors in magnetic and non-magnetic materials: a new tool of the Bilbao Crystallographic Server." *Acta Cryst.* (2019) **A75**, 438-447.
- **New Article in Nature** 03/2019: Vergniory *et al.* "A complete catalogue of high-quality topological materials" *Nature* (2019). **566**, 480-485.
- **Updated versions of TENSOR and MTENSOR** 03/2019: The programs give the general expression of tensor properties for a given point group and magnetic point group, respectively..

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Subgroups: Some basic results

Subgroup $H < G$

1. $H = \{e, h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k\} \subset G$
2. H satisfies the group axioms

Proper subgroup

H is a proper subset of G if $H < G$ and $H \neq G$
Trivial subgroup: $\{e\}, G$

Index $[i]$

The index of the subgroup H in G : $[i] = |G|/|H|$

Maximal subgroup

H is a maximal subgroup of G if **NO** intermediate subgroup Z exist such that:

$$H < Z < G$$

Coset decomposition $G : H$

Group-subgroup pair $H < G$

left coset decomposition:

$$G = H + g_2H + \dots + g_iH, \quad g_i \notin H$$

$i = \text{index of } H \text{ in } G$

first coset $\mathcal{H} =$	second coset $g_2\mathcal{H} =$	third coset $g_3\mathcal{H} =$	...	i th coset $g_i\mathcal{H} =$
$e = h_1$	$g_2 e$	$g_3 e$	...	$g_i e$
h_2	$g_2 h_2$	$g_3 h_2$	...	$g_i h_2$
h_3	$g_2 h_3$	$g_3 h_3$	...	$g_i h_3$
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
h_n	$g_2 h_n$	$g_3 h_n$	...	$g_i h_n$

Total of i cosets. Each of them contains the same number of elements.
No one contains elements of another coset

right coset decomposition

$$G = H + Hg_2 + \dots + Hg_i, \quad g_i \notin H$$

$i = \text{index of } H \text{ in } G$

Conjugate subgroups

Conjugate subgroups

Subgroups $H_1, H_2 < G$ are called *conjugated subgroups* in G , if there exists an element $g_m \in G$ such that

$$g_m^{-1}H_1g_m = H_2$$

The length of the conjugacy class $|L(H)|$ is a divisor of $|G|/|H|$

Normal subgroups

Let $H < G$, if $g_m^{-1}Hg_m = H$ holds for all $g_m \in G$, H is called a *normal subgroup* of G , designated $H \triangleleft G$

Subgroups types

$H < G$ is called a *translationengleiche subgroup* if G and H have the same group of translations, $T_H = T_G$ and H belongs to a crystal class of lower symmetry than G , $P_H < P_G$

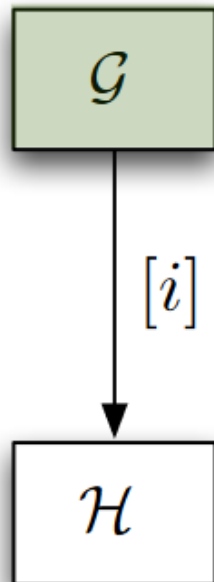
$H < G$ is called a *klassengleiche subgroup*, if G and H belong to the same crystal class, $P_H = P_G$; therefore, H has fewer translations than G , $T_H < T_G$

H is called *general subgroup* of G , if $T_H < T_G$ and $P_H < P_G$

Group-subgroup relations

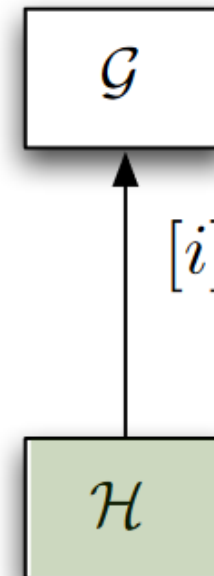
Applications

Group-subgroup relations



- Possible low symmetry structures
- Domain structure analysis
- Prediction of new structures

Group-supergroup relations



- Possible high-symmetry structures
- Prediction of phase transitions
- Determination of prototype structures

MAXIMA SUBGROUPS OF SPACE GROUPS

I. MAXIMAL TRANSLATIONENGLEICHE SUBGROUPS

Subgroups of Space Groups

Coset decomposition $G : T_G$

$(I,0)$	(W_2, w_2)	...	(W_m, w_m)	...	(W_i, w_i)
(I, t_1)	$(W_2, w_2 + t_1)$	...	$(W_m, w_m + t_1)$	...	(W_i, w_i)
(I, t_2)	$(W_2, w_2 + t_2)$	...	$(W_m, w_m + t_2)$	...	$(W_i, w_i + t_2)$
...
(I, t_j)	$(W_2, w_2 + t_j)$	...	$(W_m, w_m + t_j)$	...	$(W_i, w_i + t_j)$
...

Factor group G/T_G

isomorphic to the point group P_G of G

Point group $P_G = \{I, W_2, W_3, \dots, W_i\}$

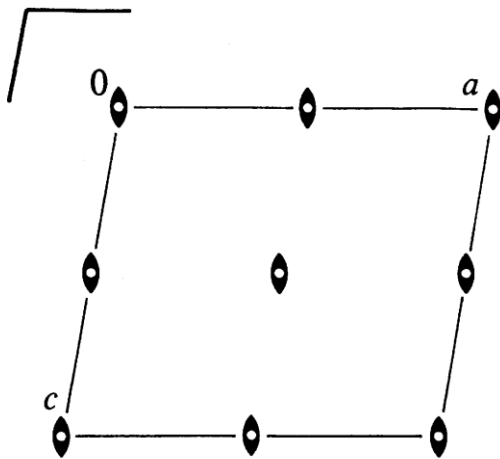
Example: P 1 2/m 1 (No. 10)

Coset decomposition $G : T_G$

Factor group $G/T_G \cong P_G$

$$P_G = 2/m = \{1, 2, \bar{1}, m\}$$

$G = P2/m$



T_G	$T_G 2$	$T_G \bar{1}$	$T_G m$
$(1,0)$	$(2,0)$	$(\bar{1},0)$	$(m,0)$
$(1,t_1)$	$(2,t_1)$	$(\bar{1},t_1)$	(m,t_1)
$(1,t_2)$	$(2,t_2)$	$(\bar{1},t_2)$	(m,t_2)
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Translationengleiche subgroups $H < G$

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Example: $P_{1/2/m_1}$

	T_G	$T_G 2$	$T_G \bar{1}$	$T_G m$
	(1,0)	(2,0)	($\bar{1}$,0)	(m,0)
	(1,t ₁)	(2,t ₁)	($\bar{1}$,t ₁)	(m,t ₁)
Coset decomposition	(1,t ₂)	(2,t ₂)	($\bar{1}$,t ₂)	(m,t ₂)

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Example: $P \ 1 \ 2/m \ 1$

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...

t -subgroups

$$H_1 = T_G \cup T_G 2$$

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$P \ \bar{1}$

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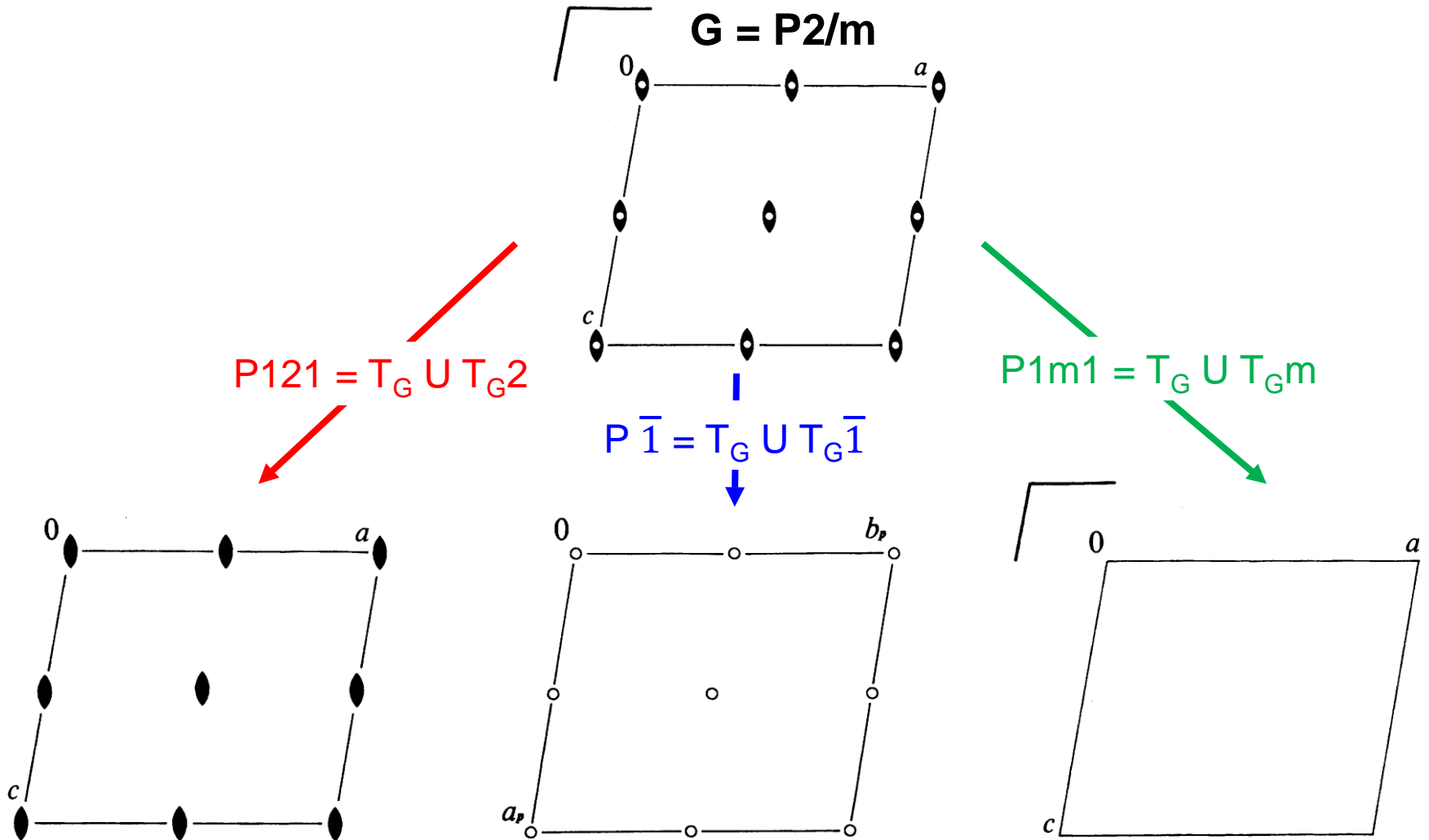
$P \ \bar{1}$

$$H_3 = T_G \cup T_G m$$

$P \ 1 \ m \ 1$

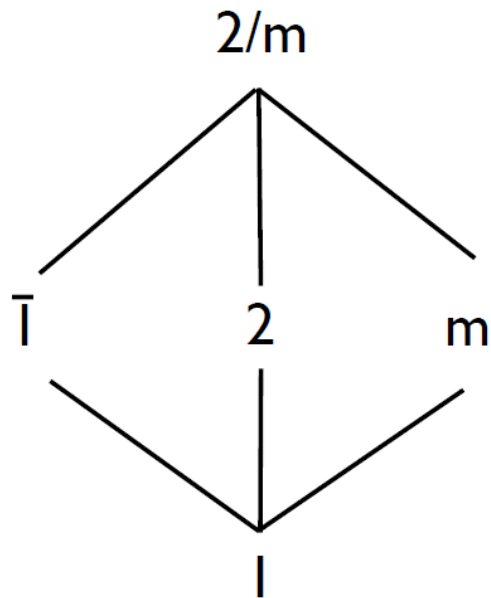
Example: P 1 2/m 1 (No. 10)

Translationengleiche subgroups $H < G$:



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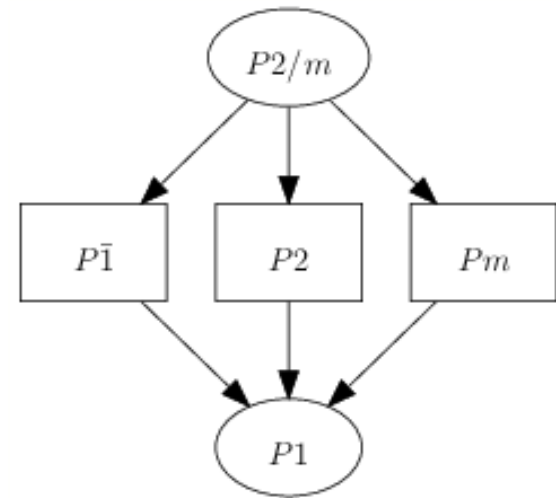
Subgroup diagram of pointgroup $2/m$

index

[1]

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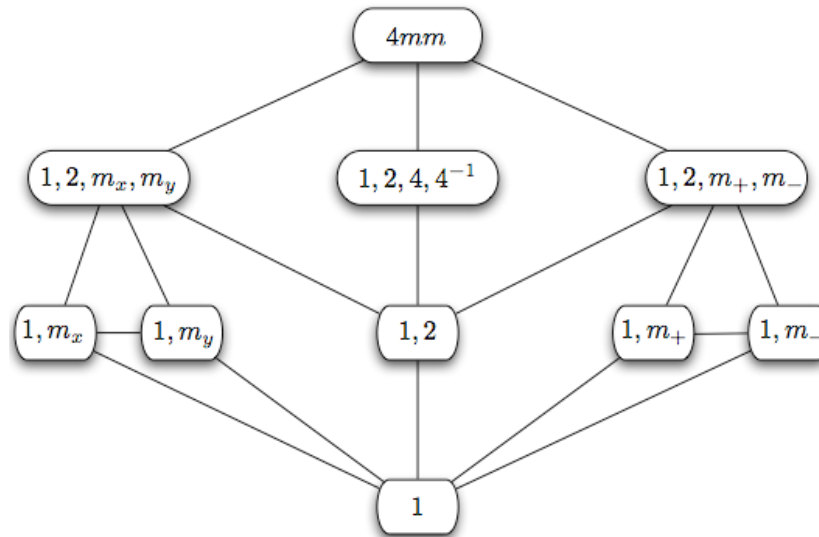
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Translationengleiche subgroups of space group $P2/m$

Exercise 2.25

Construct the diagram of the t -subgroups of $P4mm$ using the 'analogy' with the subgroup diagram of the group $4mm$. Give the standard Hermann-Mauguin symbols of the t -subgroups of $P4mm$.



Maximal subgroups of space groups

International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A1 ed. H. Wondratschek, U. Mueller

C_{4v}^1

$P4mm$

No. 99

$P4mm$

I Maximal *translationengleiche* subgroups

[2] $P411$ (75, $P4$)	1; 2; 3; 4	
[2] $P21m$ (35, $Cmm2$)	1; 2; 7; 8	$a - b, a + b, c$
[2] $P2m1$ (25, $Pmm2$)	1; 2; 5; 6	

II Maximal *klassengleiche* subgroups

- Enlarged unit cell

[2] $c' = 2c$

$P4_2mc$ (105)	$\langle 2; 5; 3 + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$
$P4cc$ (103)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$
$P4_2cm$ (101)	$\langle 2; (3; 5) + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$
$P4mm$ (99)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$

[2] $a' = 2a, b' = 2b$

$C4md$ (100, $P4bm$)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 + (0, 1, 0) \rangle$	$a - b, a + b, c$
$C4md$ (100, $P4bm$)	$\langle 2; 5; 3 + (1, 0, 0) \rangle$	$a - b, a + b, c$ $1/2, 1/2, 0$
$C4mm$ (99, $P4mm$)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 \rangle$	$a - b, a + b, c$
$C4mm$ (99, $P4mm$)	$\langle 2 + (1, 1, 0); 3 + (1, 0, 0); 5 + (0, 1, 0) \rangle$	$a - b, a + b, c$ $1/2, 1/2, 0$

[2] $a' = 2a, b' = 2b, c' = 2c$

$F4mc$ (108, $I4cm$)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$	$a - b, a + b, 2c$
$F4mc$ (108, $I4cm$)	$\langle 2; 3 + (1, 0, 0); 5 + (0, 1, 1) \rangle$	$a - b, a + b, 2c$ $1/2, 1/2, 0$
$F4mm$ (107, $I4mm$)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 \rangle$	$a - b, a + b, 2c$
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[3] $c' = 3c$

$P4mm$ (99)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 \rangle$	$a, b, 3c$
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Maximal subgroups of $P4mm$ (No. 99)

C_{4v}^1

$P4mm$

No. 99

Generators selected (1); $t(1,0,0)$; $t(0,1,0)$; $t(0,0,1)$; (2); (3); (5)

General position

Multiplicity,
Wyckoff letter,
Site symmetry

Coordinates

8 g 1

(1) x, y, z (2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z (3) \bar{y}, x, z (4) y, \bar{x}, z
 (5) x, \bar{y}, z (6) \bar{x}, y, z (7) \bar{y}, \bar{x}, z (8) y, x, z

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Remarks

[i] HMS1 (No. HMS2)

Sequence

matrix; shift

{ braces for
conjugate
subgroups

$$(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p}): (\mathbf{a}_H, \mathbf{b}_H, \mathbf{c}_H) = (\mathbf{a}_G, \mathbf{b}_G, \mathbf{c}_G)\mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{O}_H = \mathbf{O}_G + \mathbf{p}$$

Subgroups of Space Groups

SUBGROUPGRAPH

<http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/subgroupgraph.html>

Group-Subgroup Lattice and Chains of Maximal Subgroups

Lattice and chains ...

For a given group and supergroup the program SUBGROUPGRAPH will give the lattice of maximal subgroups that relates these two groups and, in the case that the index is specified, all of the possible chains of maximal subgroup that relate the two groups. In the latter case, also there is a possibility to obtain all of the different subgroups of the same type.

Please, enter the sequential numbers of group and subgroup as given in International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A:

Enter supergroup number (G) or choose it:

10

Enter subgroup number (H) or choose it:

1

Enter the index [G:H] (optional):

4

Construct the lattice

Input:

- Group number (G)
- Subgroup number (H)
- The index [i] (optional)

Subgroups of Space Groups

Chains of maximal subgroups from $P2/m$ (No. 10) [unique axis b] to $P1$ (No. 1) with index 4

Chains of subgroups ...

For each chain of maximal subgroups relating $G = P2/m$ and $H = P1$ with index 4, there is a set of transformation matrices (P_j, p_j), where each matrix corresponds to a subgroup H_j isomorphic to H .

Click over "transformation" to see the list with the transformation matrices, obtained following the corresponding chain of maximal subgroups.

To see the contracted graph representing the chains, click on [**Show contracted graph**].

To view the list with different subgroups of a given type and its distribution into the classes of conjugate subgroups click over [**Classify**] buttons.

The program distributes the subgroups into classes by comparing directly their elements in the group basis.

N	Chain [indices]	Chain with HM symbols	Number of subgroup chains	More info ...
1	010 003 001 [2 2]	$P2/m > P2 > P1$	4	transformation...
2	010 006 001 [2 2]	$P2/m > Pm > P1$	2	transformation...
3	010 002 001 [2 2]	$P2/m > P-1 > P1$	2	transformation...

Print this table.

Show contracted graph

Classify (with a complete graph of all subgroups)

Classify (with complete graphs for individual subgroups)

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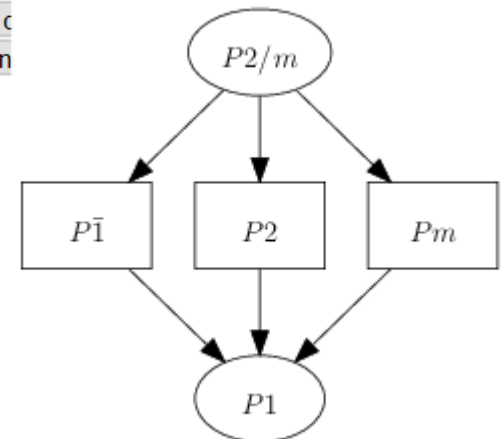
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Exercise 2.28

With the help of the program SUBGROUPGRAPH obtain the graph of the t -subgroups of $P4mm$ (No. 99). Explain the difference between the *contracted* and *complete* graphs of the t -subgroups of $P4mm$ (No. 99).



MAXIMA SUBGROUPS OF SPACE GROUPS

II. MAXIMAL KLASSENGLEICHE SUBGROUPS

Klassengleiche subgroups $H < G$

H is called a *klassengleiche subgroup* of G if $T_G > T_H$ and $P_H = P_G$

Example: P 1 (No. 1) – isomorphic k-subgroups

$$\mathbf{t=ua+vb+wc}$$

Coset decomposition

$$T_e = \{\mathbf{t}(u=2n, v, w)\}$$

$$\mathbf{t}_a(a, 0, 0)$$

T_e	$T_e t_a$
(1,0)	(1,t _a)
(1,t ₁)	(1,t ₁ +t _a)
(1,t ₂)	(1,t ₂ +t _a)
...	...
(1,t _j)	(1,t _j +t _a)
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isomorphic k -subgroups:

$$P1(2\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c})$$

T_e	$T_e \mathbf{t}_a$
(1,0)	(1, t_a)
(1, t_1)	(1, $t_1 + t_a$)
(1, t_2)	(1, $t_2 + t_a$)
...	...
(1, t_j)	(1, $t_j + t_a$)
...	...

$$H = T_e$$

Klassengleiche subgroups $H < G$

Example: P 1 (No. 1) – isomorphic k-subgroups

$$t = ua + vb + wc$$

- Coset decomposition

$$P1 = T_e + T_{et_a}$$

$$T_e = \{t(u=2n, v, w)\}$$

- Isomorphic k-subgroups:

$$P1(2a, b, c)$$

- Series of isomorphic k-subgroups:

$$P1(pa, b, c): p > 1, \text{ prime}$$

$$P1(a, qb, c): q > 1, \text{ prime}$$

... etc.

$$H = T_e \quad t_a = (1, 0, 0)$$

T_e	$T_e t_a$
$(1, 0)$	$(1, t_a)$
$(1, t_1)$	$(1, t_1 + t_a)$
$(1, t_2)$	$(1, t_2 + t_a)$
...	...
$(1, t_j)$	$(1, t_j + t_a)$
...	...

INFINITE number of maximal isomorphic subgroups

Series of maximal isomorphic subgroups

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Example: P-1 (No. 2)

$P\bar{1}$

No. 2

$P\bar{1}$

C_i^1

• Series of maximal isomorphic subgroups

[p] $\mathbf{a}' = p\mathbf{a}$, $\mathbf{b}' = q\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{c}' = r\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{c}$

$P\bar{1}$ (2)

$\langle 2 + (2u, 0, 0) \rangle$

$p > 2$; $0 \leq q < p$; $0 \leq r < p$; $0 \leq u < p$

p conjugate subgroups for each triplet of q , r , and prime p

$p\mathbf{a}, q\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}, r\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{c}$

$u, 0, 0$

[p] $\mathbf{b}' = p\mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{c}' = q\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}$

$P\bar{1}$ (2)

$\langle 2 + (0, 2u, 0) \rangle$

$p > 2$; $0 \leq q < p$; $0 \leq u < p$

p conjugate subgroups for each pair of q and prime p

$\mathbf{a}, p\mathbf{b}, q\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}$

$0, u, 0$

[p] $\mathbf{c}' = p\mathbf{c}$

$P\bar{1}$ (2)

$\langle 2 + (0, 0, 2u) \rangle$

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p conjugate subgroups for the prime p

$\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, p\mathbf{c}$

$0, 0, u$

INFINITE number of maximal isomorphic subgroups

Klassengleiche subgroups $H < G$

Non-isomorphic subgroups

Example: C2 (No. 5)

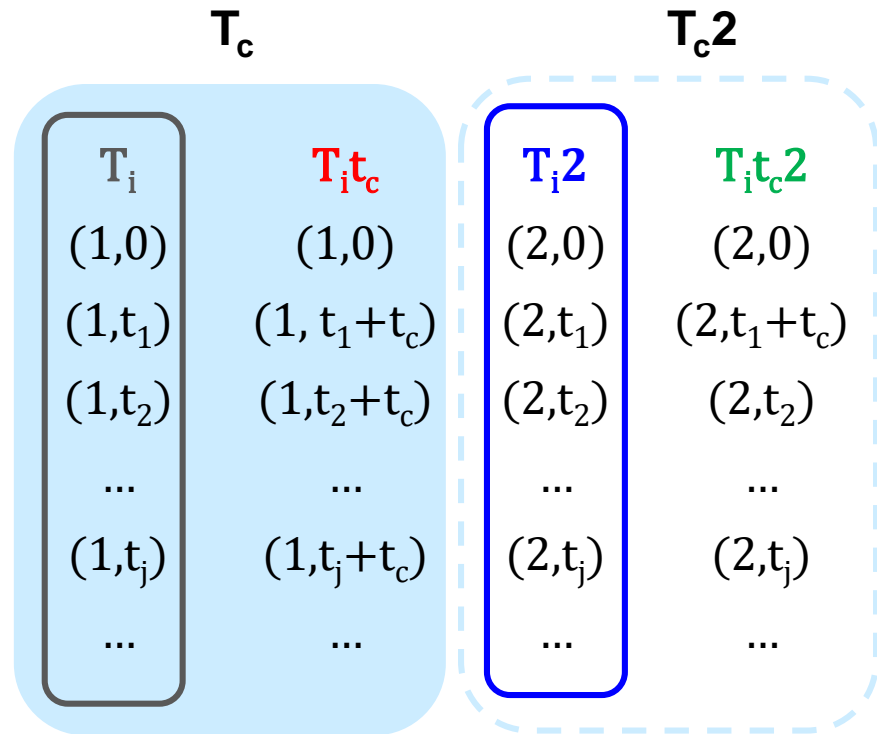
- Coset decomposition

$$C2 = T_c + T_{c2}$$

$$T_c = T_i + T_i t_c$$

$$T_i = \text{integer}$$

$$t_c = 1/2, 1/2, 0$$



Klassengleiche subgroups $H < G$

Non-isomorphic subgroups

Example: C2 (No. 5)

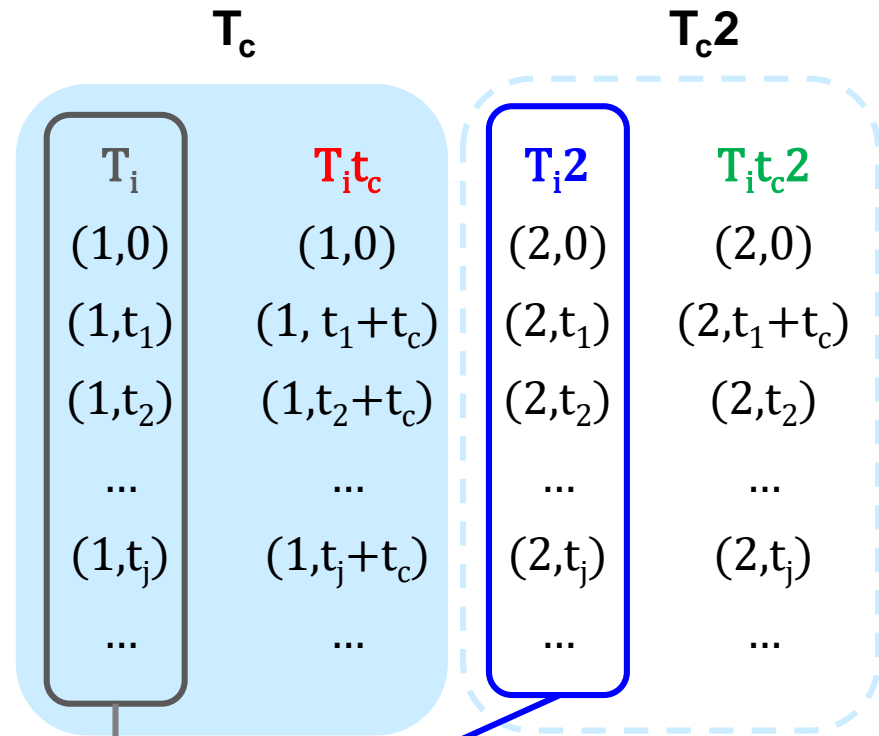
- Coset decomposition

$$C_2 = T_c + T_{c2}$$

$$T_c = T_i + T_i t_c$$

$$T_i = \text{integer}$$

$$t_c = 1/2, 1/2, 0$$



$$H_1 = T_i \cup T_{i2}$$

P2

- Non-isomorphic k -subgroups:

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Example: C2 (No. 5)

- Coset decomposition

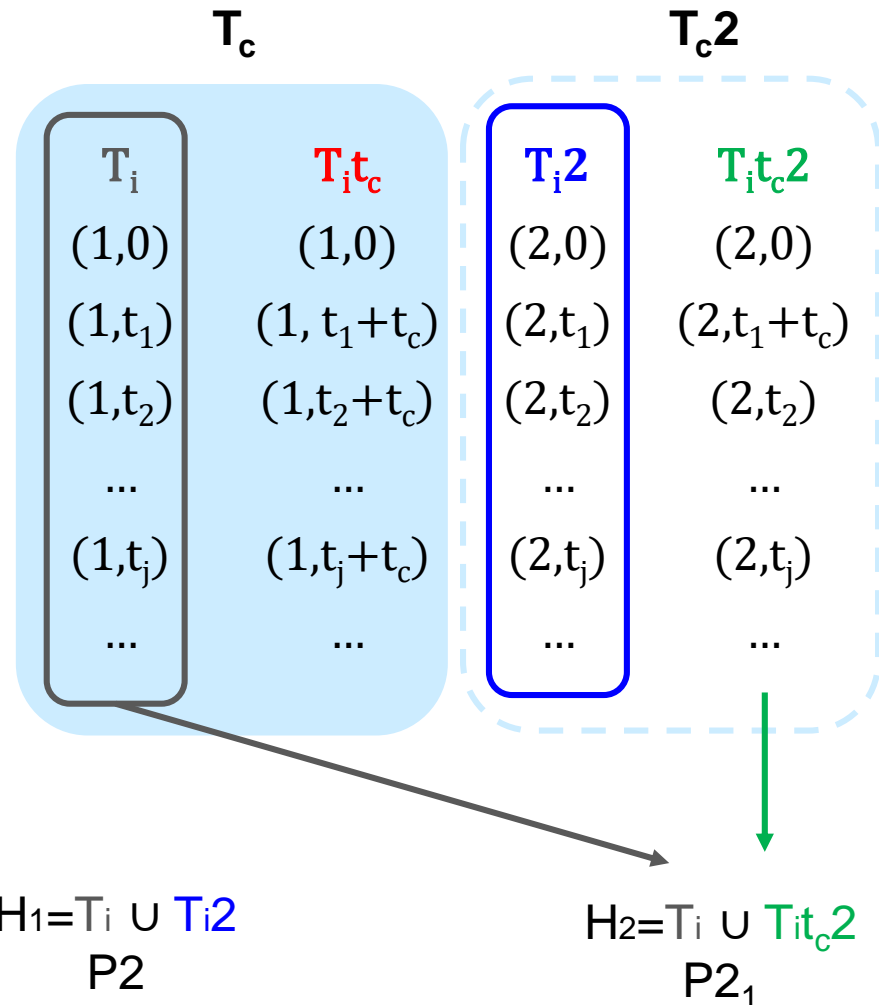
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- Non-isomorphic k -subgroups:



Maximal subgroups of space groups

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C_{4v}^1

$P4mm$

No. 99

$P4mm$

I Maximal *translationengleiche* subgroups

[2] $P411$ (75, $P4$)	1; 2; 3; 4	
[2] $P21m$ (35, $Cmm2$)	1; 2; 7; 8	$a - b, a + b, c$
[2] $P2m1$ (25, $Pmm2$)	1; 2; 5; 6	

II Maximal *klassengleiche* subgroups

• Enlarged unit cell

[2] $c' = 2c$		
$P4_2mc$ (105)	$\langle 2; 5; 3 + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$
$P4cc$ (103)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$
$P4_2cm$ (101)	$\langle 2; (3; 5) + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$
$P4mm$ (99)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 \rangle$	$a, b, 2c$

• Series of maximal isomorphic subgroups

[p] $c' = pc$		
$P4mm$ (99)	$\langle 2; 3; 5 \rangle$	a, b, pc
	$p > 1$	
	no conjugate subgroups	
[p^2] $a' = pa, b' = pb$		
$P4mm$ (99)	$\langle 2 + (2u, 2v, 0); 3 + (u + v, -u + v, 0); 5 + (0, 2v, 0) \rangle$	pa, pb, c
	$p > 2; 0 \leq u < p; 0 \leq v < p$	$u, v, 0$
	p^2 conjugate subgroups for the prime p	

Maximal isomorphic subgroups

SERIES

<http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/series.html>

Series of Maximal Isomorphic Subgroups

space group

Series of maximal isomorphic subgroups

For each space group you can obtain the list with its maximal isomorphic subgroups. The list contains the numbers and the symbols of the maximal subgroups as well as, the corresponding index and the transformation matrix that relates the basis of the group with that of the subgroup. It is worth to take account of:

- the program uses the **default choice** for the group setting.
- only maximal isomorphic subgroups with index less or equal to 27 are displayed (125, in the case of cubic groups)

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choose it

NOTE: Other possibility is to **define a maximum index** for the parametric series of maximal isomorphic subgroups.

Show series

static databases

Maximal isomorphic subgroups

Series of maximal isomorphic subgroups of group $I4/m$ (No. 87)

Note: Only series with an index less or equal to 27 are displayed

Series 1

Parametric form of the series 1 of maximal isomorphic subgroups of space group $I4/m$ (No. 87)

Subgroup	Index	Transformation	Conditions
$I4/m$ (87)	p	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & p & u \end{bmatrix}$	prime $p > 2$ $0 \leq u < p$

Number of conjugate subgroups: p conjugate subgroups

Click over **[show..]** to view a specific transformation for a given index

N	IT number	HM symbol	Index	Transformations
1	87	$I4/m$	3	show..
2	87	$I4/m$	5	show..
3	87	$I4/m$	7	show..
4	87	$I4/m$	11	show..
5	87	$I4/m$	13	show..
6	87	$I4/m$	17	show..
7	87	$I4/m$	19	show..
8	87	$I4/m$	23	show..

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Databases

Maximal subgroups of space groups

MAXSUB

<http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/maxsub.html>

Maximal Subgroups of Space Groups

List with the maximal subgroups

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NOTE: the program uses the **default choice** for the group setting.

choose it

Show maximal subgroups

space group

Default settings
of the space groups

static databases

Maximal subgroups of space groups

Maximal subgroups of group $I4/mmm$ (No. 139)

Note: The program uses the default choice for the group settings.

In the following table the list of maximal subgroups is given. Click over "setting..." to see the possible setting(s) for the given subgroup.

N	IT number	HM symbol	Index	Transformations
1	69	$Fmmm$	2	show..
2	71	$Immm$	2	show..
3	87	$I4/m$	2	show..
4	97	$I422$	2	show..
5	107	$I4mm$	2	show..
6	119	$I-4m2$	2	show..
7	121	$I-42m$	2	show..
8	123	$P4/mmm$	2	show..
9	126	$P4/nnc$	2	show..
10	128	$P4/mnc$	2	show..
11	129	$P4/nmm$	2	show..
12	131	$P4_2/mmc$	2	show..
13	134	$P4_2/nnm$	2	show..
14	136	$P4_2/mnm$	2	show..
15	137	$P4_2/nmc$	2	show..
16	139	$I4/mmm$	3	show..
17	139	$I4/mmm$	5	show..
18	139	$I4/mmm$	7	show..
19	139	$I4/mmm$	9	show..

Maximal subgroups of space groups

Maximal subgroup(s) of type *Fmmm* (No. 69) of index 2

for Space Group *I4/mmm* (No. 139)

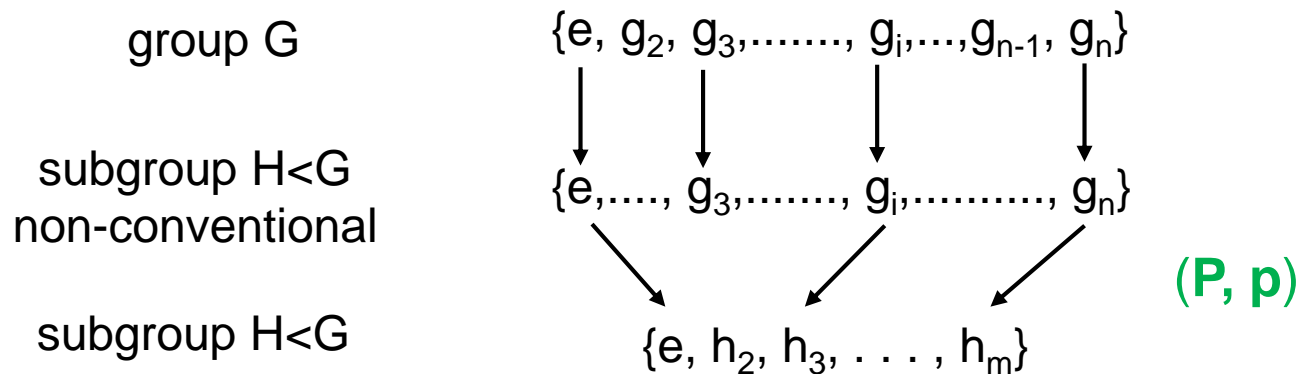
Click over **[ChBasis]** to view the general positions of the subgroup in the basis of the supergroup.

Conjugacy class a

Subgroup(s)	Transformation Matrix	More...
group No 1	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	<input type="button" value="ChBasis"/>

(P, p)

[[Click here for the Maximal Subgroups of group 69](#)]



Exercise 2.26

The retrieval tool MAXSUB gives an access to the database on maximal subgroups of space groups as listed in *ITA1*. Determine the maximal subgroups of the group $P4mm$ (No. 99) using the program MAXSUB.

Use the program SERIES to and determine the isomorphic subgroups of the group $P4mm$ (No. 99).



**GENERAL SUBGROUPS
OF
SPACE GROUPS**

General subgroups $H < G$

- **Definition:**

H is called a *general subgroup* of G , if $T_H < T_G$ and $P_H < P_G$ hold

A general subgroup is neither translationengleiche or klassengleiche

- **Theorem of Hermann:**

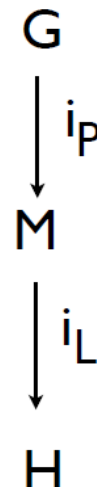
A *maximal subgroup* of a space group is either *translationengleiche* or *klassengleiche*

For each pair $G > H$, there exists a uniquely defined intermediate subgroup M , $G \supseteq M \supseteq H$, such that:

M is a *t-subgroup* of G

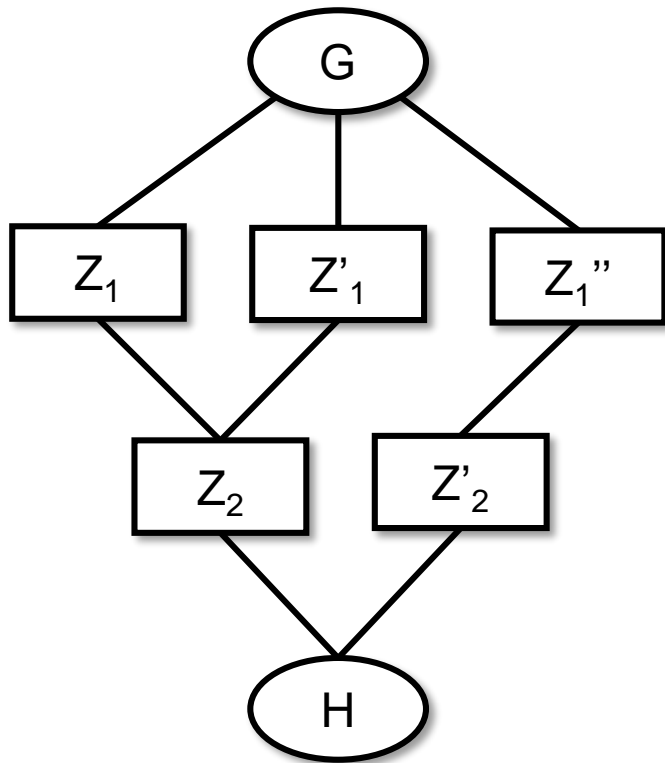
H is a *k-subgroup* of M

$$[i] = [i_P] \cdot [i_L]$$



General subgroups $H < G$

Chains of maximal subgroups



Group-subgroup pair

$G > H : G, H, [i], (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p})$

Pairs: group - maximal subgroup

$Z_K > Z_{K+1}, (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p})_K$

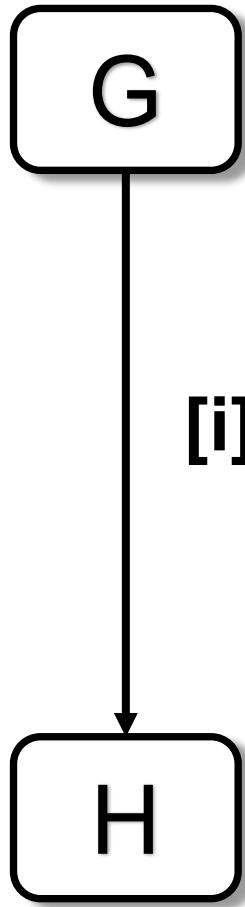
$$(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p}) = \prod_{k=1}^n (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p})_k$$

Exercise 2.27

Study the group-subgroup relations between the groups $G=P4_12_12$ (No. 92), and $H=P2_1$ (No. 4), using the program SUBGROUPGRAPH. Consider the cases with specified index e.g. $[i]=4$, and not specified index of the group-subgroup pair.



Domain-structure analysis



number of domain states

twins and antiphase domains

twinning operation

symmetry groups of the domain states

multiplicity and degeneracy

Domain-structure analysis



Domains

A connected homogeneous part of a domain structure or of a twinned crystal is called a *domain*. Each domain is a single crystal.

The number of such crystals is not limited; they differ in their locations in space, in their orientations, in their shapes and in their space groups but all belong to the same space-group type of H.

Domain states

The domains belong to a finite (small) number of *domain states*. Two domains belong to the same domain state if their crystal patterns are identical, *i.e.* if they occupy different regions of space that are part of the *same* crystal pattern.

The number of domain states which are observed after a phase transition is limited and determined by the group-subgroup relations of the space groups G and H.

Domain-structure analysis

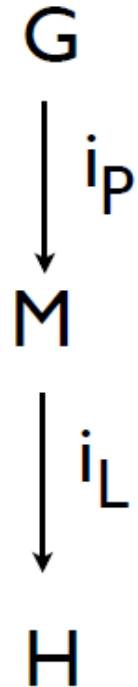
Hermann

For each pair $G \supset H$, there exists a uniquely defined intermediate subgroup M , $G \supseteq M \supseteq H$, such that:

M is a t -subgroup of G

H is a k -subgroup of M

The index is defined as $[i] = [i_P] \cdot [i_L]$



where

$$i_P = P_G/P_H$$

twins

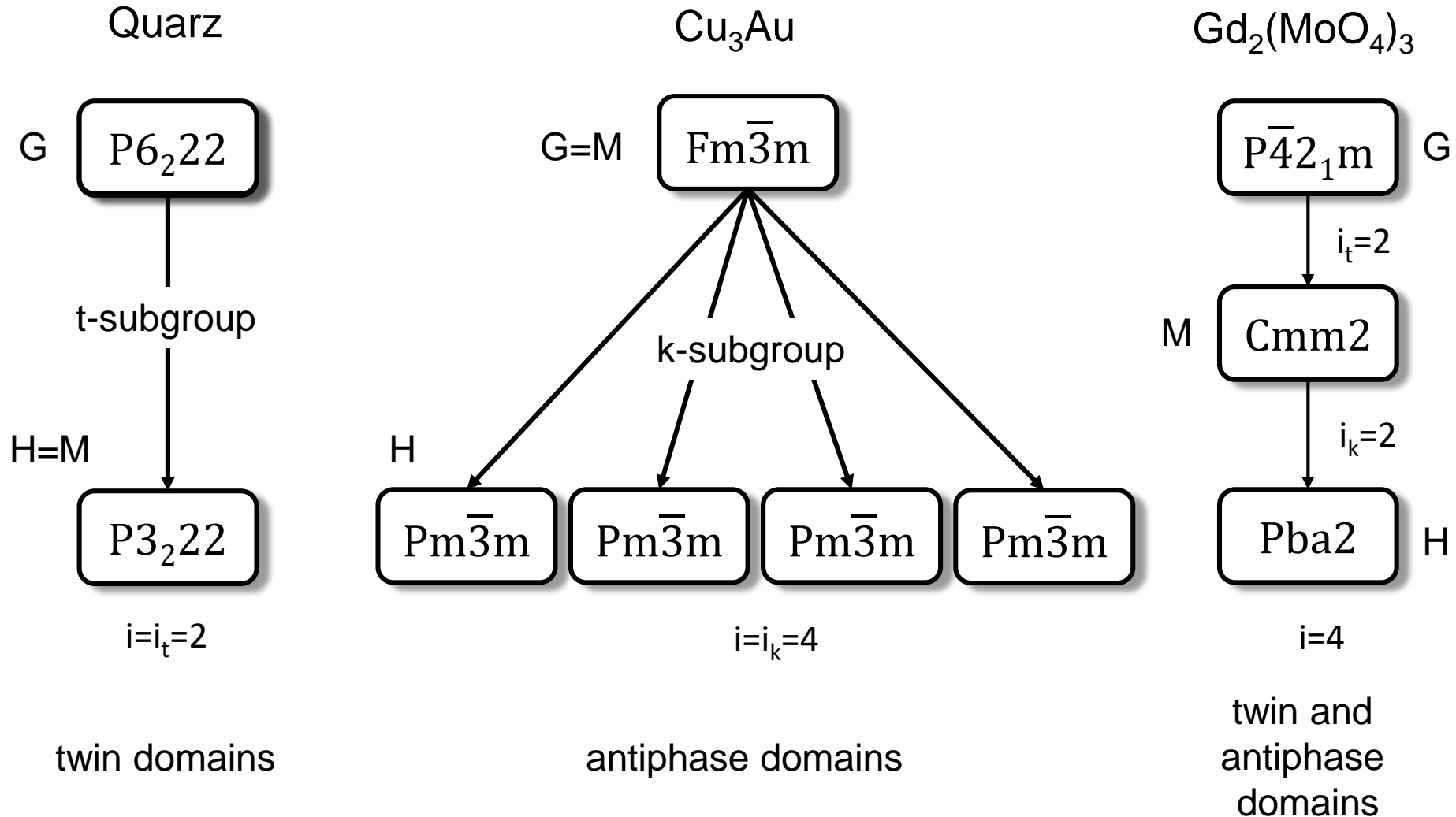
$$i_L = Z_{H,p}/Z_{G,p} = V_{H,p}/V_{G,p}$$

antiphase

Classification of Domains

HERMANN

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Example: Lead vanadate $\text{Pb}_3(\text{VO}_4)_2$

INDEX: $[i] = [i_P] \cdot [i_L]$

High-symmetry phase

166

5.6748 5.6748 20.3784 90 90 120

5

Pb	1	3a	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Pb	2	6c	0.000000	0.000000	0.207100
PV	3	6c	0.000000	0.000000	0.388400
0	4	6c	0.000000	0.000000	0.324000
0	5	18i	0.842400	0.157600	0.430100

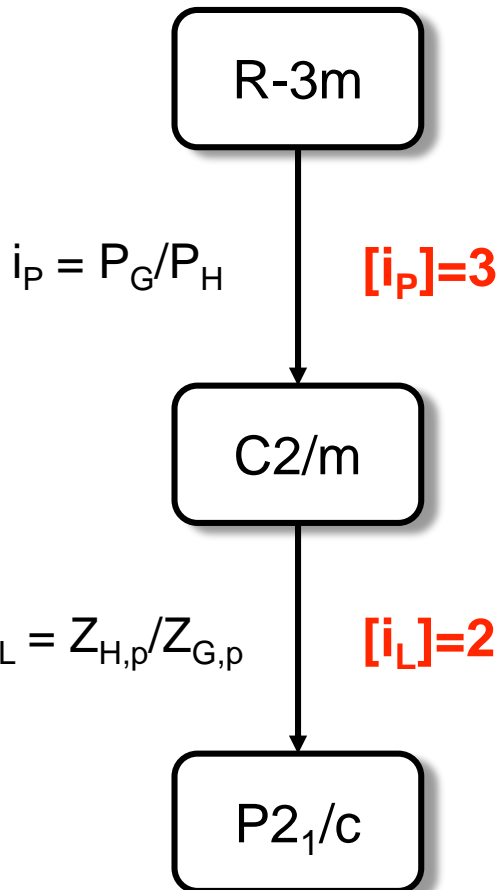
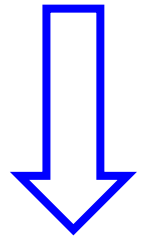
Low-symmetry phase

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7.5075 6.0493 9.4814 90. 115.162 90.

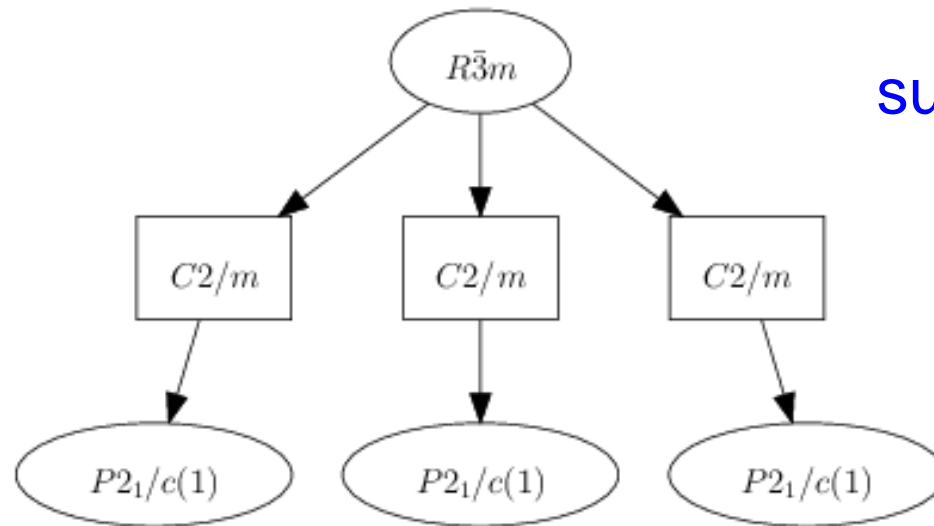
7

Pb	1	2a	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Pb	2	4e	0.383500	0.581500	0.287900
PV	1	4e	0.207100	0.014300	0.399900
0	1	4e	0.287200	0.255900	0.015900
0	2	4e	0.259800	0.797900	0.021600
0	3	4e	0.319400	0.978400	0.282300
0	4	4e	0.033500	0.543100	0.209100



$\text{Pb}_3(\text{VO}_4)_2$: Ferroelastic Domains in $P2_1/c$ phase

SUBGROUPGRAPH



Maximal
subgroup graph

- number of domains = index $[i] = [i_p] \cdot [i_L] = 6$
- number of ferroelastic domains: $i_p = 3$
- number of different subgroups $P2_1/c$: 3

Exercise 2.29

Domain-structure analysis

Determine the type and number of domain states in structural phase transitions specified by:

1. High-symmetry phase: $P2/m$
Low-symmetry phase: $P1$ with small unit-cell deformation;
2. High-symmetry phase: $P2/m$
Low-symmetry phase: $P1$ with duplication of the unit cell;
3. High-symmetry phase: $P4mm$
Low-symmetry phase: $P2$ of index 8;
4. High-symmetry phase: $P4_2bc$
Low-symmetry phase: $P2_1$ of index 8.



Exercise 2.30

Phase transitions in BaTiO_3

At high temperatures, BaTiO_3 has the cubic perovskite structure, space group $Pm3m$. Upon cooling it is distorted, adopting the space group $P4mm$. Will the crystals of the low-symmetry structure be twinned? If so, with how many kinds of domains?

What INPUT data should be introduced?

What program can be used?

Hint: The program INDEX could be useful



Exercise 2.31

SrTiO_3 has the cubic perovskite structure, space group $Pm-3m$. Upon cooling below 105K, the coordination octahedra are mutually rotated and the space group is reduced to $I4/mcm$; c is doubled and the conventional unit cell is increased by a factor of four.

Determine the number and the type of domains of the low-temperature form of SrTiO_3 using the computer tools of the Bilbao Crystallographic server.



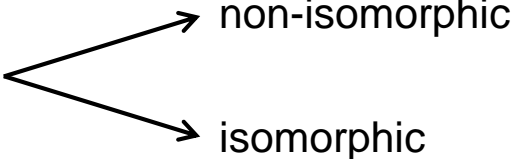
SUPERGROUPS OF SPACE GROUPS

Supergroups of space groups

Definitions

- ❑ G is a supergroup of H , if H is a subgroup of G , $G \geq H$
- ❑ If H is a proper subgroup of G , $H < G$, then G is a proper supergroup of H , $G > H$
- ❑ If H is a maximal subgroup of G , $H < G$, then G is a minimal supergroup of H , $G > H$

Types of minimal supergroups

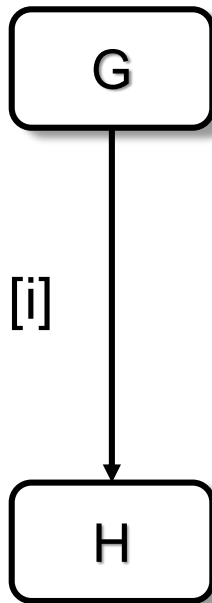
- ❑ translationengleiche (t -type)
- ❑ klassengleiche (k -type) 

ITA1 data

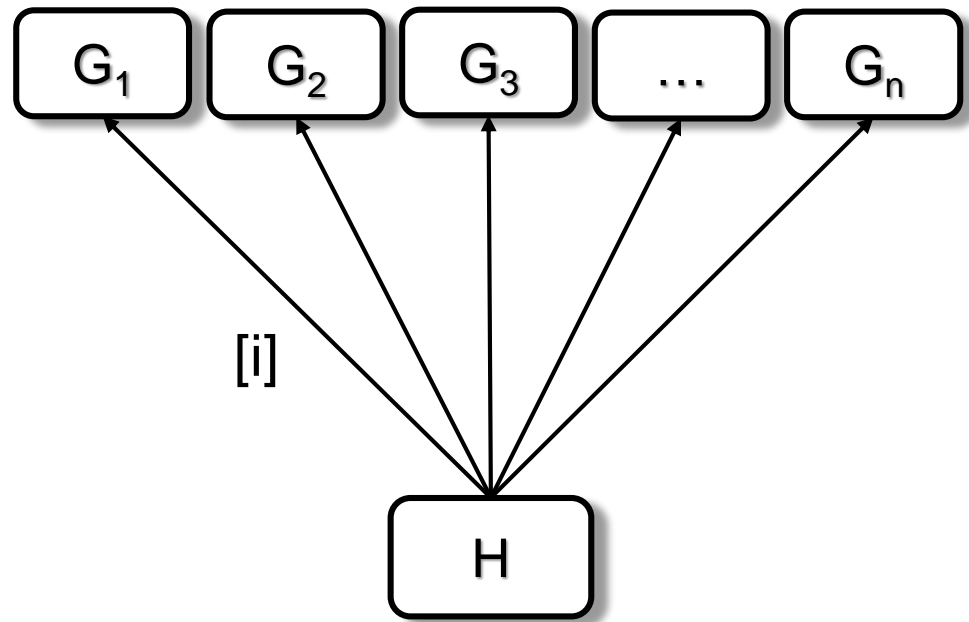
- ❑ minimal non-isomorphic k - and t -supergroups types

The Supergroup Problem

Given a group-subgroup pair $G > H$ of index $[i]$



Determine: all $G_k > H$ of index $[i]$, $G_i \simeq G$

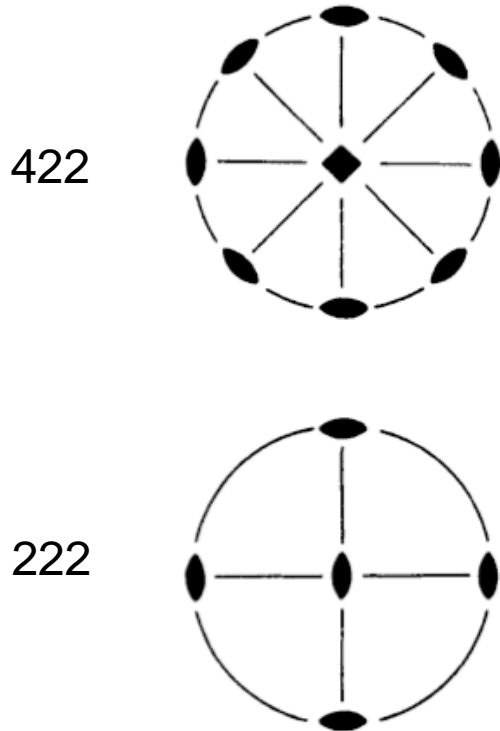


all $G_k > H$ contain H as subgroup

$$G_k = H + H g_2 + \dots + H g_{ik}$$

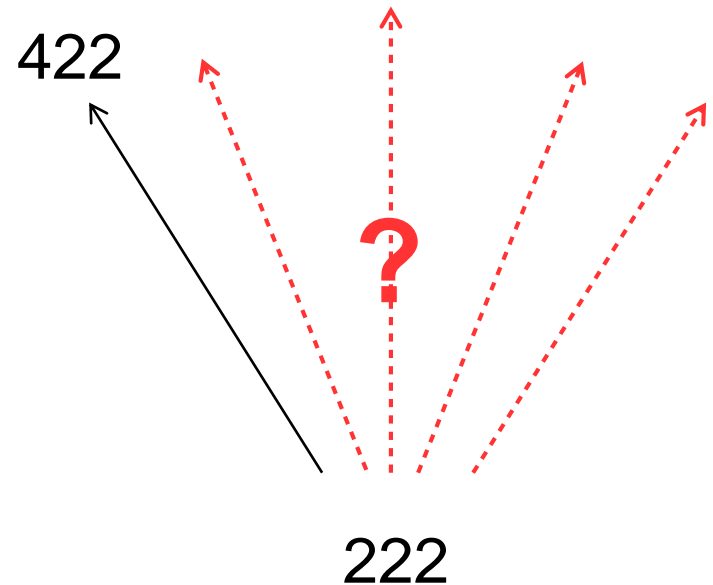
The Supergroup Problem

Group-subgroup
pair $422 > 222$



How many are the
subgroups 222 of 422 ?

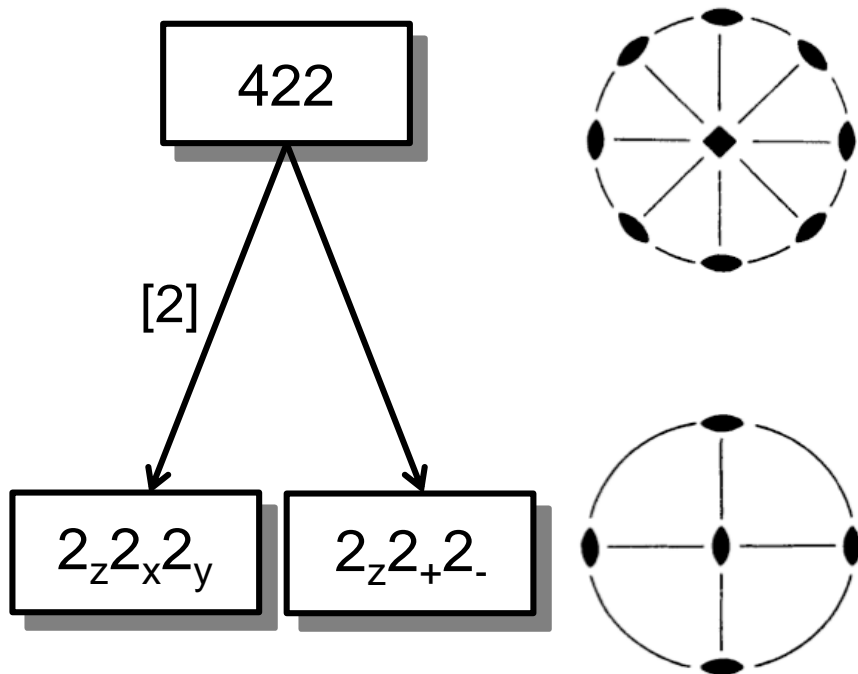
Supergroups 422
of the group 222



How many are the
supergroups 422 of 222 ?

The Supergroup Problem

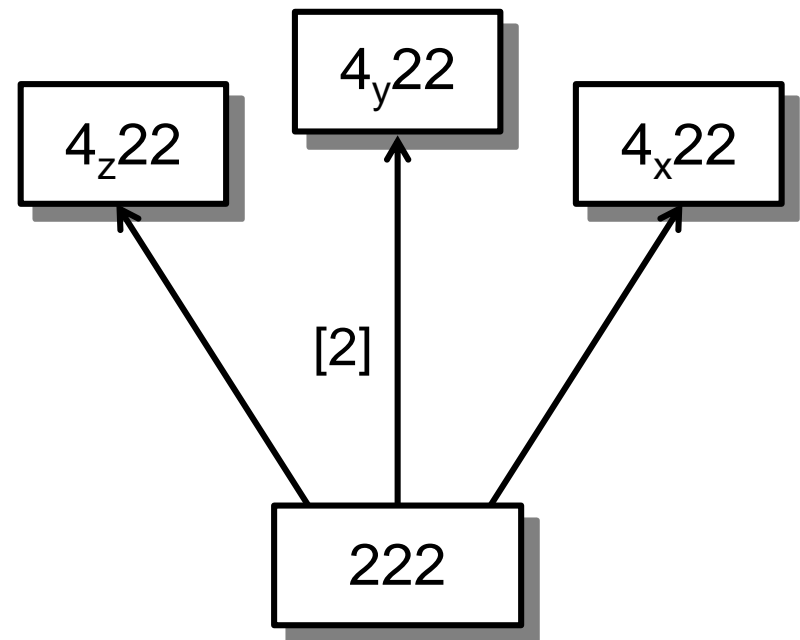
Group-subgroup
pair $422 > 222$



$$4_z 22 = 2_z 2_x 2_y + 4_z(2_z 2_x 2_y)$$

$$4_z 22 = 2_z 2_+ 2_- + 4_z(2_z 2_+ 2_-)$$

Supergroups 422
of the group 222



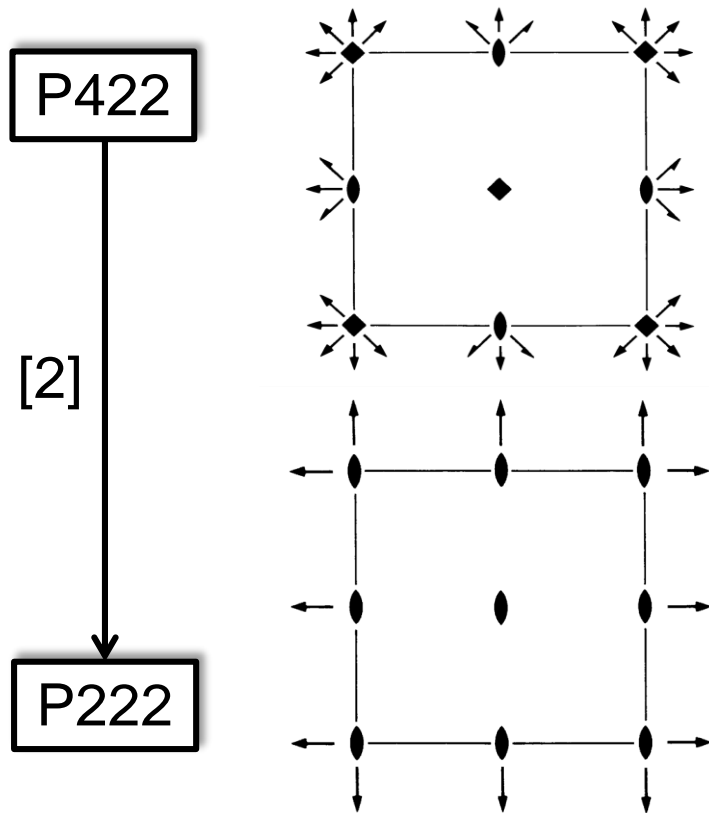
$$4_z 22 = 222 + 4_z(222)$$

$$4_y 22 = 222 + 4_y(222)$$

$$4_x 22 = 222 + 4_x(222)$$

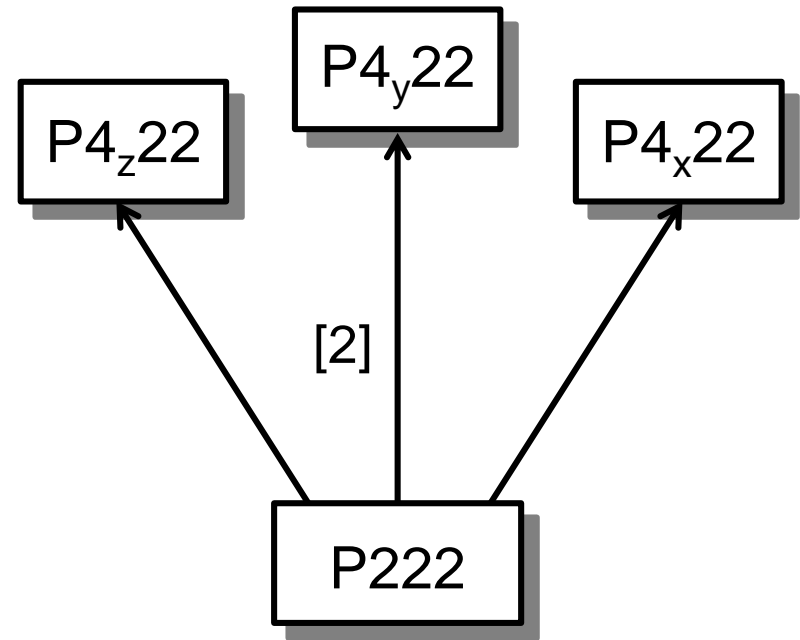
The Supergroup Problem

Group-subgroup
pair $P422 > P222$



$$P422 = P222 + P222(4,0)$$

Supergroups 422
of the group 222



$$4_z22 = 222 + 4_z(222)$$

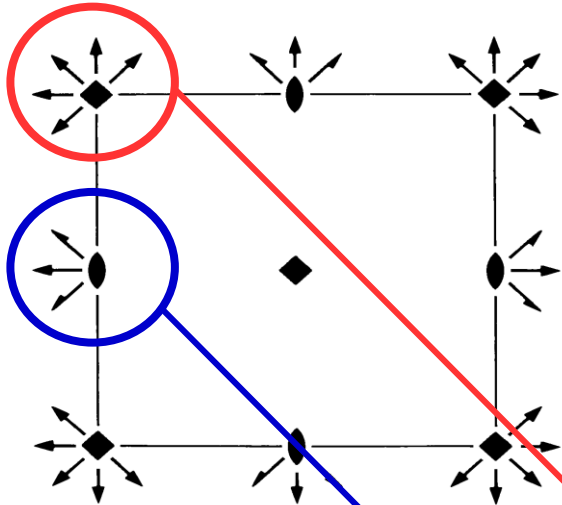
$$4_y22 = 222 + 4_y(222)$$

$$4_x22 = 222 + 4_x(222)$$

**Are there more
supergroups $P422$ of $P222$?**

Example: Supergroups P422 of P222

P422

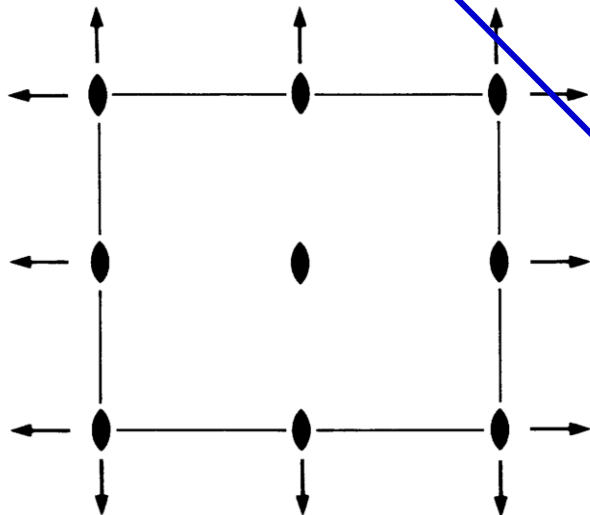


$H = P222$

$G = P422$

$$P422 = P222 + (4|w)P222$$

P222



	4	w	G
4_z	$(0,0,0)$	$(0,0,0)$	$(P422)_1$
4_y	$(0,0,0)$	$(0,0,0)$	$(P422)_2$
4_x	$(0,0,0)$	$(0,0,0)$	$(P422)_3$
4_z	$(1/2,0,0)$	$(-1/2,-1/2,0)$	$(P422)'_1$
4_y	$(1/2,0,0)$	$(-1/2,0,-1/2)$	$(P422)'_2$
4_x	$(0,1/2,0)$	$(0,-1/2,-1/2)$	$(P422)'_3$

Minimal supergroups data

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$P222$

No. 16

$P222$

D_2^1

I Minimal translationengleiche supergroups

[2] $Pmmm$ (47); [2] $Pnnn$ (48); [2] $Pccm$ (49); [2] $Pban$ (50); [2] $P422$ (89); [2] $P4_222$ (93); [2] $P\bar{4}2c$ (112); [2] $P\bar{4}2m$ (111); [3] $P23$ (195)

II Minimal non-isomorphic klassengleiche supergroups

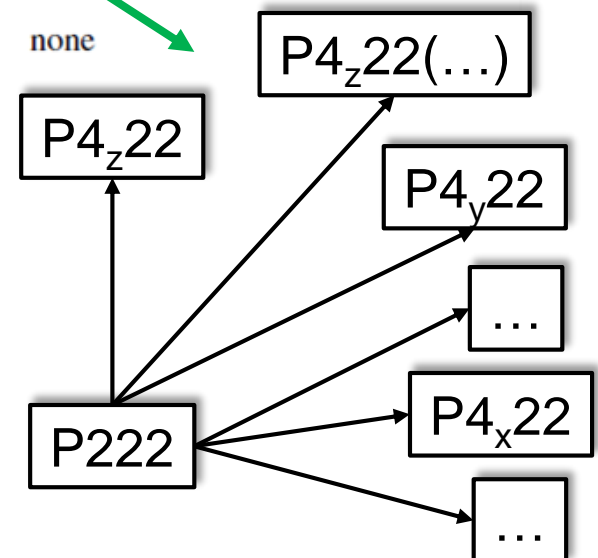
- Additional centring translations

[2] $A222$ (21, $C222$); [2] $B222$ (21, $C222$); [2] $C222$ (21); [2] $I222$ (23)

- Decreased unit cell

Incomplete data

Space-group type only
No transformation matrix



Minimal supergroups

MINSUP <http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/minsup.html>

Minimal Supergroups of Space Groups

List with the minimal supergroups

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Also, there is a possibility to obtain all of the different supergroups of the same type.

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Show minimal supergroups

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<input type="radio"/>	3	<i>Pccm</i>	49	2	t	transformation...
<input type="radio"/>	4	<i>Pban</i>	50	2	t	transformation...
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	5	<i>P422</i>	89	2	t	transformation...
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<input checked="" type="radio"/>	5	<i>P422</i>	89	2	t	transformation...
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<input type="radio"/>	10	<i>C222</i>	21	2	k	transformation...
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<input type="radio"/>	13	<i>P222</i>	16	2	k	transformation...

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N	Transformation matrix	Coset representatives	Wyckoff Splitting	More...
1	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(-y-1/2, x+1/2, z)$	WP splitting	Full cosets
2	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(x, -z-1/2, y+1/2)$	WP splitting	Full cosets
3	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(z-1/2, y, -x-1/2)$	WP splitting	Full cosets
4	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(x, -z, y)$	WP splitting	Full cosets
5	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(-y, x, z)$	WP splitting	Full cosets
6	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(z, y, -x)$	WP splitting	Full cosets

Supergroups of spce groups

SUPERGROUPS

<http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/supergroups.html>

Supergroups of a Given Type

Click [here](#) to see the list with all minimal supergroups of a given space group(MINSUP)

Please, enter the sequential numbers of group and supergroup as given in the *International Tables for Crystallography*, Vol. A:

Enter supergroup number (G) or choose it:	<input type="text" value="89"/>
Enter group number (H) or choose it:	<input type="text" value="16"/>
Enter the index [G:H]	<input type="text" value="2"/>

By default the Euclidean normalizers are used. If you want to use other normalizer, please check it from the list below:

Group normalizer

Euclidean normalizer

Subgroup normalizer

Euclidean normalizer

Find the Supergroups

Different supergroups ...

The program SUPERGROUPS will give you all of the different supergroups of the same type with specified index for a given group-supergroup pair.

As an input data you should give (or select) the numbers of the group and the supergroup, and the index.

The procedure for the calculation of all of the supergroups is based on the normalizers of the space groups. By default the Euclidean normalizers are used. If you want to use other normalizer, please select it from the list.

[How to obtain a valid index ?](#)

Input:

- supergroup
- subgroup
- index
- option normalizers

Supergroups of spce groups

Output of the program SUPERGROUPS

Supergroups (of index 2) isomorphic to the group *P422* (No. 89)
of the group *P222* (No. 16)

No	Transformation matrix	Coset representatives	Wyckoff Splitting	More...
1	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(-y, x, z)$	[WP splitting]	Full cosets
2	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	(x, y, z) $(-y-1/2, x+1/2, z)$	[WP splitting]	Full cosets

NORMALIZERS OF SPACE GROUPS

Normalizer of H in G

Normal subgroup

$H \triangleleft G$, if $g^{-1}H g = H$, for $\forall g \in G$

Normalizer of H in G, $H < H$

$N_{G(H)} = \{ g \in G, \text{ if } g^{-1}Hg = H \}$

$G \geq N_{G(H)} \geq H$

What is the normalizer $N_{G(H)}$ if $H < G$?

 Number of subgroups $H_i < G$ in a conjugate class $n = [G : N_{G(H)}]$

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Applications:

Equivalent point configurations

Wyckoff sets

Equivalent structure descriptions

Normalizer of H in G, $H < H$

$$N_{G(H)} = \{ g \in G, \text{ if } g^{-1}Hg = H \}$$

$$G \geq N_{G(H)} \geq H$$

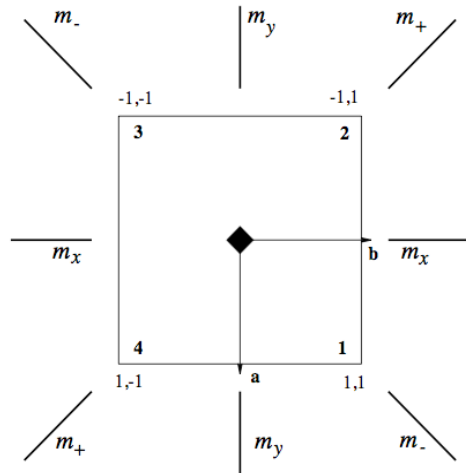
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 Number of subgroups $H_i < G$ in a conjugate class $n = [G : N_{G(H)}]$

Exercise 2.10

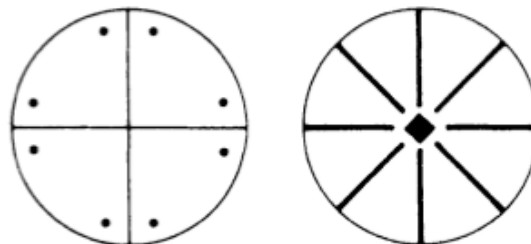


Consider the group $4mm$ and its subgroups of index 4. Determine their **normalizers** in $4mm$. Comment on the relation between the distribution of subgroups into conjugacy classes and their normalizers.



$4mm$	1	2	4^+	4^-	m_{01}	m_{10}	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	m_{11}
1	1	2	4^+	4^-	m_{01}	m_{10}	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	m_{11}
2	2	1	4^-	4^+	m_{10}	m_{01}	m_{11}	$m_{1\bar{1}}$
4^+	4^+	4^-	2	1	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	m_{11}	m_{10}	m_{01}
4^-	4^-	4^+	1	2	m_{11}	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	m_{01}	m_{10}
m_{01}	m_{01}	m_{10}	m_{11}	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	1	2	4^-	4^+
m_{10}	m_{10}	m_{01}	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	m_{11}	2	1	4^+	4^-
$m_{1\bar{1}}$	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	m_{11}	m_{01}	m_{10}	4^+	4^-	1	2
m_{11}	m_{11}	$m_{1\bar{1}}$	m_{10}	m_{01}	4^-	4^+	2	1

Hint: The stereographic projections could be rather helpful



Normalizers of space groups

Euclidean normalizer

The Euclidean normalizer $N_E(G)$ is the set of all isometries $h_i \in E$ mapping the space group G as a whole onto itself by conjugation:

$$N_E(G) = \{h_j \in E \mid h_j G h_j^{-1} = G\}$$

The Euclidean normalizer $N_E(G)$ is a supergroup of G , *i.e.* $G \leq N_E(G)$

Affine normalizer

The affine normalizer $N_A(G)$ is defined for each space group G as:

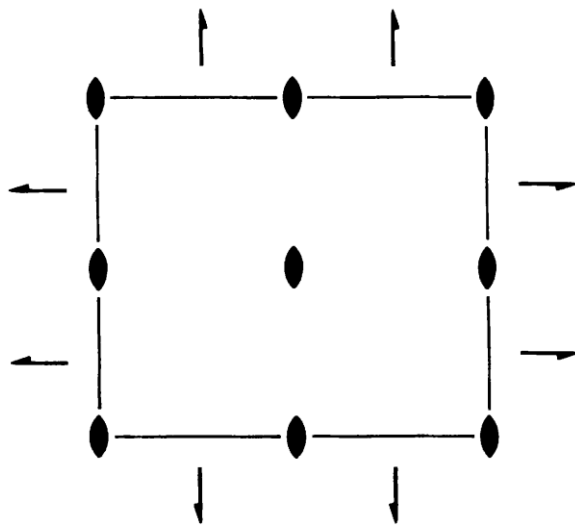
$$N_A(G) = \{h_j \in A \mid h_j G h_j^{-1} = G\}$$

It corresponds to the symmetry of the set of symmetry elements of G if their distances are neglected.

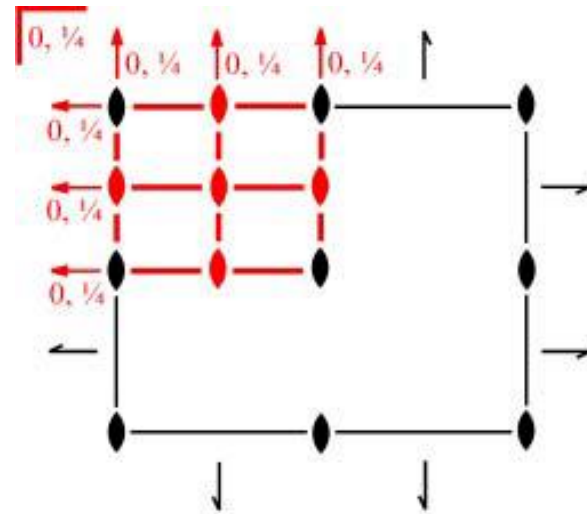
Normalizers of space groups

Normalizers of crystallographic groups may be considered as something like **the symmetry of symmetry**

Example: $P2_12_12$ (No. 18)



The symmetry elements
of $P2_12_12$ (No.18)

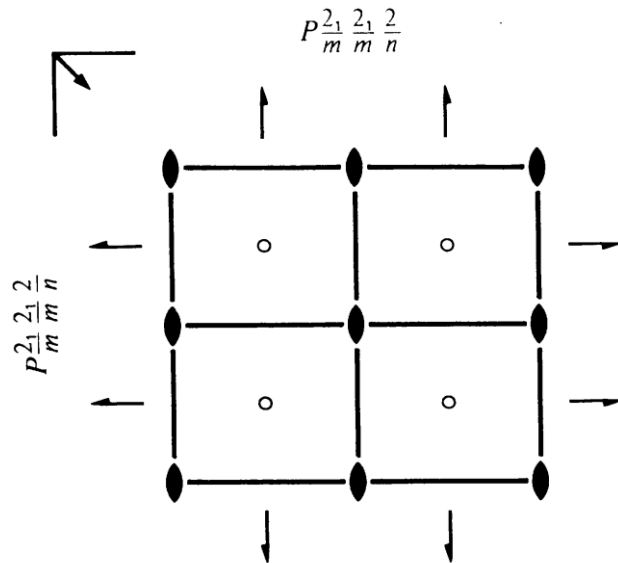


All symmetry elements are mapped onto another by isometries of the **Euclidean normalizer** which is also a space group: **$Pmmm$ ($1/2a, 1/2b, 1/2c$)**

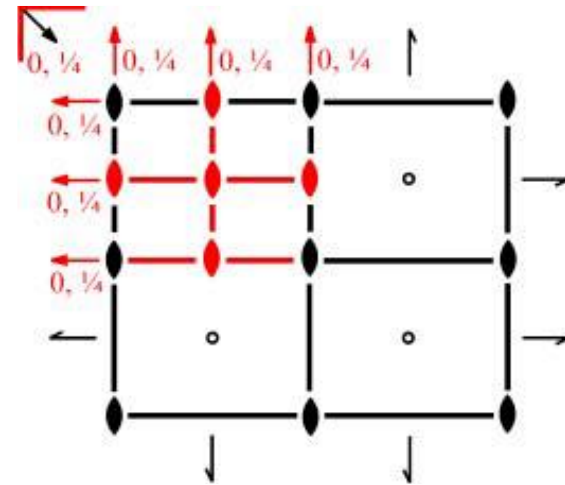
Normalizers of space groups

Normalizers of crystallographic groups may be considered as something like **the symmetry of symmetry**

Example: Pmmn (No. 59)



The symmetry elements of Pmmn (No. 59)

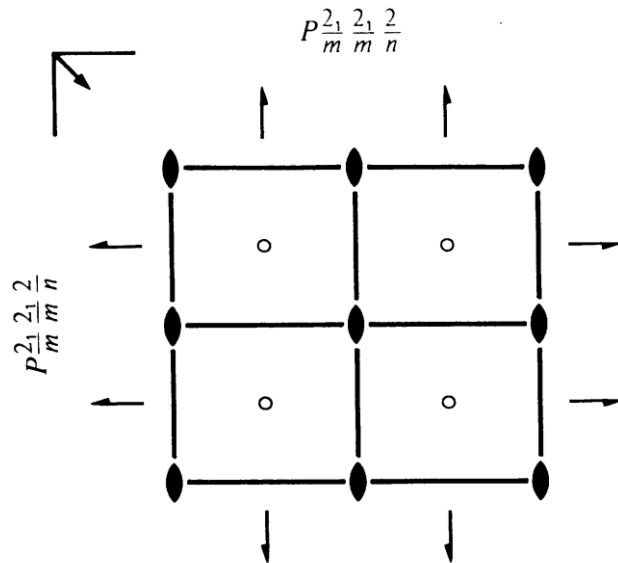


In the general case the **Euclidean normalizer** is orthorhombic: **Pmmm** ($1/2a, 1/2b, 1/2c$)

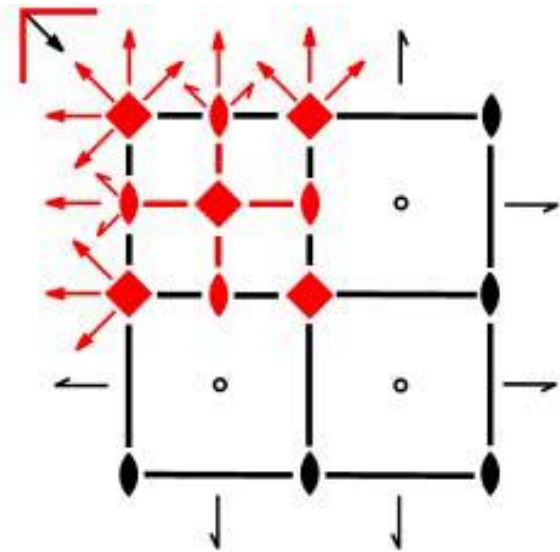
Normalizers of space groups

Normalizers of crystallographic groups may be considered as something like **the symmetry of symmetry**

Example: Pmmn (No. 59)



The symmetry elements
of Pmmn (No. 59)



If the metric is specialized $a=b$, the
Euclidean normalizer is tetragonal:
 $P4/mmm (1/2a, 1/2b, 1/2c)$

Normalizers of space groups

International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A, Chapter 15 E. Koch and W. Fischer

Space group \mathcal{G}			Euclidean normalizer $\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{G})$	
No.	Hermann–Mauguin symbol	Cell metric	Symbol	Basis vectors
55	$Pbam$	$a \neq b$	$Pmmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
		$a = b$	$P4/mmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
56	$Pccn$	$a \neq b$	$Pmmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
		$a = b$	$P4/mmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
57	$Pbcm$		$Pmmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
58	$Pnmm$	$a \neq b$	$Pmmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
		$a = b$	$P4/mmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
59	$Pmnm$ (both origins)	$a \neq b$	$Pmmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$
		$a = b$	$P4/mmm$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}$

Normalizers of space groups

NORMALIZER

http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/get_nor.html

Normalizers of Space Groups

How to select the group

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Part of the symmetry data shown by the program **NORMALIZER** is based on the data of normalizers of space groups given in:

Koch, E., Fischer, W. & Muller, U. (2016). *Normalizers of space groups and their use in crystallography. International Tables for Crystallography, Vol.A, Space-Group Symmetry*, edited by M. I. Aroyo, Chapter 3.5, 6th ed. Chichester: Willey.

Please, enter the sequential number of group as given in the *International Tables for Crystallography*, Vol. A

choose

Choose:

Euclidean (general metric):

Enhanced Euclidean (specialized metric):

Affine:

Hint: Further information on normalizers can be found under [WYCKSETS](#)

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Enhanced Euclidean normalizer (specialized metrics)

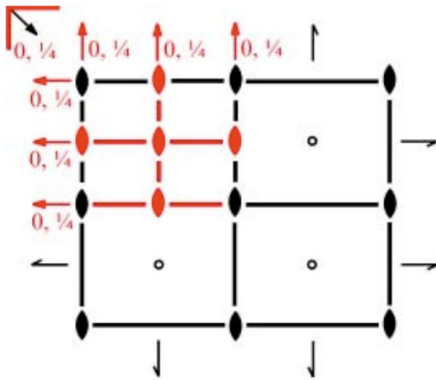
Space group:

Lattice parameters:

Show

Example: Space group Pnmm (No. 59)

Euclidean normalizer (general metric) of Pmnm (No. 59)



Space group: *Pmnm* (59)

Lattice type: oP

Cell parameters: 4 4 5 90 90 90

Angular tolerance: 0.15 degrees

Euclidean normalizer of *Pmnm* (a,b,c): *Pmmm* (1/2a,1/2b,1/2c).

Index of *Pmnm* in *Pmmm* (1/2a,1/2b,1/2c): 8 with $i_L=8$ and $i_P=1$.

Additional generators of *Pmmm* (1/2a,1/2b,1/2c) with respect to *Pmnm*.

$x+1/2, y, z$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$t(1/2, 0, 0)$
$x, y+1/2, z$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$t(0, 1/2, 0)$
$x, y, z+1/2$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$	$t(0, 0, 1/2)$

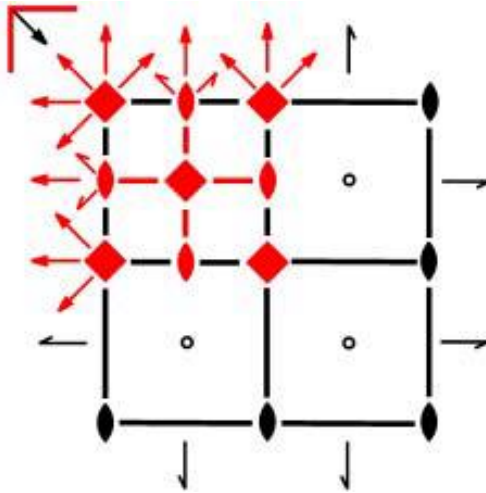
Cosets representatives

x, y, z
 $x+1/2, y, z$
 $x, y+1/2, z$
 $x+1/2, y+1/2, z$
 $x, y, z+1/2$
 $x+1/2, y, z+1/2$
 $x, y+1/2, z+1/2$
 $x+1/2, y+1/2, z+1/2$

The cosets representatives of the Euclidean normalizer *Pmmm* (1/2a,1/2b,1/2c) with respect to *Pmnm*

Example: Space group $Pnmm$ (No. 59)

Enhanced Euclidean normalizer (specialized metric) of $Pmnm$ (No. 59)



Space group:	$Pmnm$ (59)
Lattice type:	oP
Cell parameters:	4 4 5 90 90 90
Angular tolerance:	0.15 degrees

Index of $Pmnm$ in $P4/mmm$ ($1/2a$, $1/2b$, $1/2c$): 16 with $i_L=8$ and $i_P=2$.

Coset representatives of the enhanced Euclidean normalizer $P4/mmm$ ($1/2a$, $1/2b$, $1/2c$) with respect to the Euclidean normalizer $Pmnm$.

Coset representatives	More...
x, y, z y, x, z	Full cosets

Cosets 1	Cosets 2
(x, y, z)	(y, x, z)
$(-x, -y, z)$	$(-y, -x, z)$
$(-x, y, -z)$	$(y, -x, -z)$
$(x, -y, -z)$	$(-y, x, -z)$
$(-x, -y, -z)$	$(-y, -x, -z)$
$(x, y, -z)$	$(y, x, -z)$
$(x, -y, z)$	$(-y, x, z)$
$(-x, y, z)$	$(y, -x, z)$

Symmetry-equivalent Wyckoff positions

WYCKSETS

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Wyckoff Sets

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If you are using this program in the preparation of a paper, please cite it in the following form:

Aroyo, et. al. Zeitschrift fuer Kristallographie (2006), 221, 1, 15-27

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Please, enter the sequential number of group as given in the *International Tables for Crystallography*, Vol. A or

NOTE: the program uses the **default choice** for the group setting.

Hint: Other possibility is to check the full table of [Wyckoff Sets](#) for space groups.

Symmetry-equivalent Wyckoff positions

Transformation of the Wyckoff Positions of *Pmmn* (059) [origin choice 2] under the coset representatives of its affine normalizer

Index: 16

No. #	Coset Representative		Transformed WP
1	x,y,z	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	a b c d e f g
2	$x+1/2,y,z$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	b a c d e f g
3	$x,y+1/2,z$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	b a c d e f g
4	$x,y,z+1/2$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$	a b d c e f g
5	$x+1/2,y+1/2,z$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	a b c d e f g

a \longleftrightarrow **b**

Symmetry-equivalent Wyckoff positions

59	<i>Pmmn</i>		
2	<i>a</i>	<i>mm2</i>	* <i>Pmmn a</i>
2	<i>b</i>		
4	<i>c</i>	$\bar{1}$	<i>Pmmm a</i>
4	<i>d</i>		
4	<i>e</i>	<i>m..</i>	* <i>Pmmn e</i>
4	<i>f</i>	<i>.m.</i>	
8	<i>g</i>	1	* <i>Pmmn g</i>

*International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A
Fischer and Koch, Chapter 14.*

Table 14.2.3.2
(selection)

Wyckoff Sets of Space Group *Pmmn* (No. 59) [origin choice 2]

NOTE: The program uses the default choice for the group settings.

Letter	Mult	SS	Rep.	Equivalent WP under Euclidean normalizer	Equivalent WP under affine normalizer
g	8	1	(x, y, z)	g	g
f	4	.m.	(x, 1/4, z)	f	ef
e	4	m..	(1/4, y, z)	e	ef
d	4	-1	(0, 0, 1/2)	cd	cd
c	4	-1	(0, 0, 0)	cd	cd
b	2	mm2	(1/4, 3/4, z)	ab	ab
a	2	mm2	(1/4, 1/4, z)	ab	ab

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Exercise 2.36

Using the computer tool NORMALIZER determine the Euclidean normalizer of the group $P222$ (No. 16) (general metric) and the Euclidean normalizers of enhanced symmetry for the cases of specialized metric of $P222$.

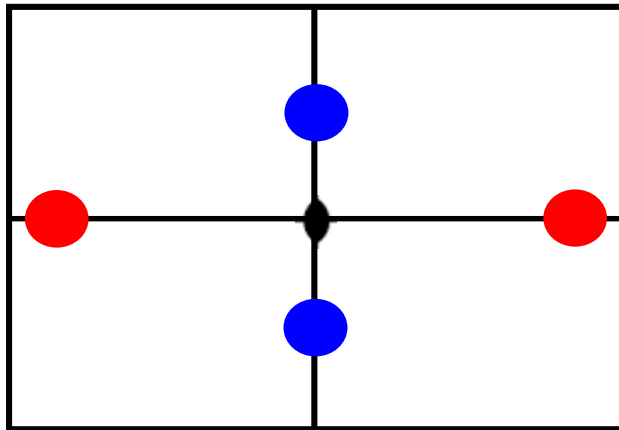
Determine the assignment of Wyckoff positions into Wyckoff sets with respect to the different Euclidean normalizers of $P222$ (for general and specialized metrics) and comment on the differences, if any.



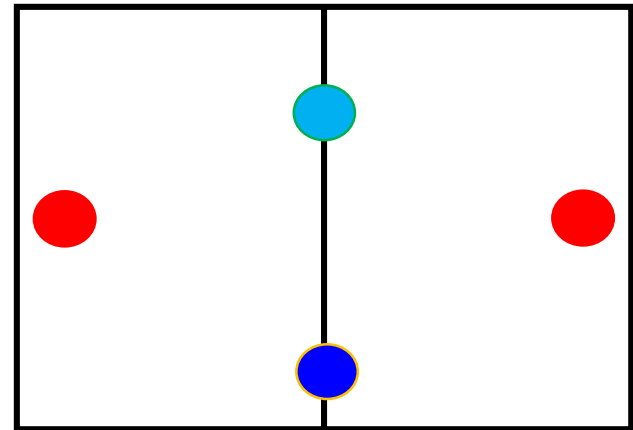
RELATIONS BETWEEN WYCKOFF POSITIONS

Relation between Wyckoff positions

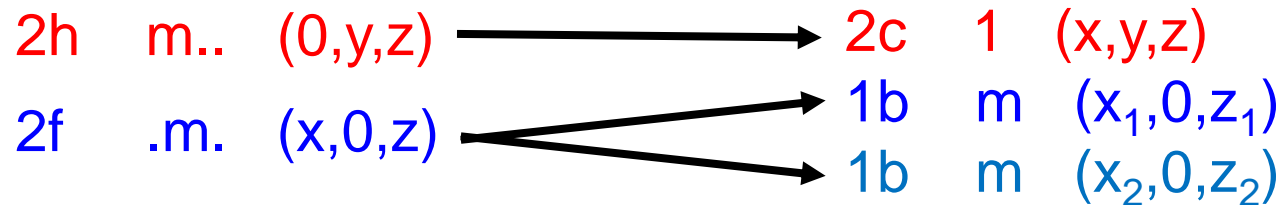
$$G = Pmm2 > H = Pm, [i] = 2$$



G = Pmm2



H = Pm



Splitting of Wyckoff positions

Example

Consider the group-subgroup pair $P4mm > Pmm2$

Determine the splitting schemes for WPs 1a, 1b, 2c, 4d, 4e
 $[i]=2, a'=a, b'=b, c'=c$

Group $P4mm$

Group $Pmm2$

Generators selected (1); $t(1,0,0)$; $t(0,1,0)$; $t(0,0,1)$; (2); (3); (5)

Generators selected (1); $t(1,0,0)$; $t(0,1,0)$; $t(0,0,1)$; (2); (3)

Positions

Multiplicity,
Wyckoff letter,
Site symmetry

Coordinates

Multiplicity	Wyckoff letter	Site symmetry	(1) x, y, z	(2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z	(3) \bar{y}, x, z	(4) y, \bar{x}, z
8	g	1	(1) x, y, z (5) x, \bar{y}, z	(2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z (6) \bar{x}, y, z	(3) \bar{y}, x, z (7) \bar{y}, \bar{x}, z	(4) y, \bar{x}, z (8) y, x, z
4	f	$.m.$	$x, \frac{1}{2}, z$	$\bar{x}, \frac{1}{2}, z$	$\frac{1}{2}, x, z$	$\frac{1}{2}, \bar{x}, z$
4	e	$.m.$	$x, 0, z$	$\bar{x}, 0, z$	$0, x, z$	$0, \bar{x}, z$
4	d	$.m$	x, x, z	\bar{x}, \bar{x}, z	\bar{x}, x, z	x, \bar{x}, z
2	c	$2mm.$	$\frac{1}{2}, 0, z$	$0, \frac{1}{2}, z$		
1	b	$4mm$	$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, z$			
1	a	$4mm$	$0, 0, z$			

Positions

Multiplicity,
Wyckoff letter,
Site symmetry

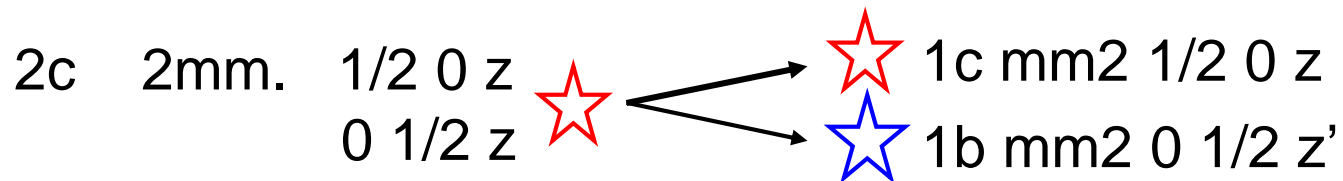
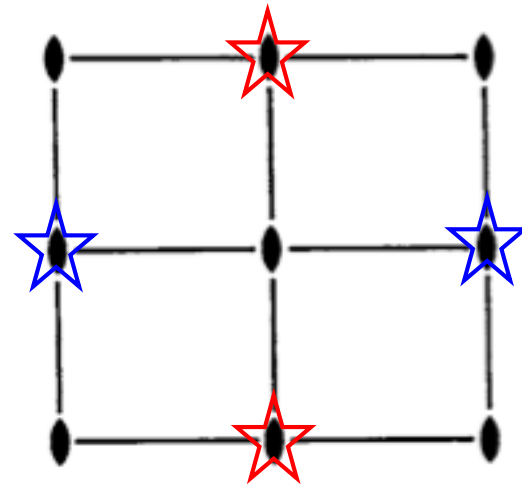
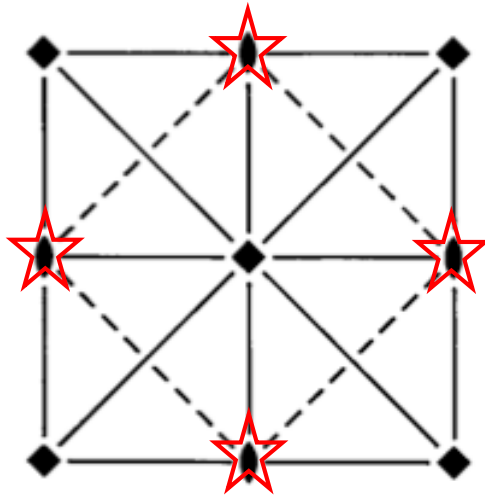
Coordinates

Multiplicity	Wyckoff letter	Site symmetry	(1) x, y, z	(2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z	(3) x, \bar{y}, z	(4) \bar{x}, y, z
4	i	1	(1) x, y, z	(2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z	(3) x, \bar{y}, z	(4) \bar{x}, y, z
2	h	$m..$	$\frac{1}{2}, y, z$	$\frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, z$		
2	g	$m..$	$0, y, z$	$0, \bar{y}, z$		
2	f	$.m.$	$x, \frac{1}{2}, z$	$\bar{x}, \frac{1}{2}, z$		
2	e	$.m.$	$x, 0, z$	$\bar{x}, 0, z$		
1	d	$mm2$	$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, z$			
1	c	$mm2$	$\frac{1}{2}, 0, z$			
1	b	$mm2$	$0, \frac{1}{2}, z$			
1	a	$mm2$	$0, 0, z$			

Example

Consider the group-subgroup pair $P4mm > Pmm2$

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 $[i]=2, a'=a, b'=b, c'=c$



Data on Relations between Wyckoff Positions

International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A1

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No. 99

$P4mm$



	Axes	Coordinates	Wyckoff positions						
			1a	1b	2c	4d	4e	4f	8g
I Maximal <i>translationengleiche</i> subgroups									
[2] $P4$ (75)			1a	1b	2c	4d	4d	4d	2×4d
[2] $Pmm2$ (25)			1a	1d	1b; 1c	4i	2e; 2g	2f; 2h	2×4i
[2] $Cmm2$ (35)	$\mathbf{a-b, a+b, c}$	$\frac{1}{2}(x-y), \frac{1}{2}(x+y), z$	2a	2b	4c	4d; 4e	8f	8f	2×8f
II Maximal <i>klassengleiche</i> subgroups									
Enlarged unit cell, non-isomorphic									
[2] $I4cm$ (108)	$\mathbf{a-b, a+b, 2c}$	$\frac{1}{2}(x-y), \frac{1}{2}(x+y), \frac{1}{2}z; + (0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	4a	4b	8c	16d	16d	2×8c	2×16d
[2] $I4cm$ (108)	$\mathbf{a-b, a+b, 2c}$	$\frac{1}{2}(x-y) + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}(x+y), \frac{1}{2}z; + (0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	4b	4a	8c	16d	2×8c	16d	2×16d
[2] $I4mm$ (107)	$\mathbf{a-b, a+b, 2c}$	$\frac{1}{2}(x-y), \frac{1}{2}(x+y), \frac{1}{2}z; + (0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	2×2a	4b	8c	2×8d	2×8c	16e	2×16e
[2] $I4mm$ (107)	$\mathbf{a-b, a+b, 2c}$	$\frac{1}{2}(x-y) + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}(x+y), \frac{1}{2}z; + (0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	4b	2×2a	8c	2×8d	16e	2×8c	2×16e
[2] $P4_2mc$ (105)	$\mathbf{a, b, 2c}$	$x, y, \frac{1}{2}z; + (0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	2a	2b	2×2c	8f	2×4d	2×4e	2×8f
[2] $P4cc$ (103)	$\mathbf{a, b, 2c}$	$x, y, \frac{1}{2}z; + (0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	2a	2b	4c	8d	8d	8d	2×8d
[2] $P4_2cm$ (101)	$\mathbf{a, b, 2c}$	$x, y, \frac{1}{2}z; + (0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	2a	2b	4c	2×4d	8e	8e	2×8e

Wyckoff Positions Splitting


WYCKSPLIT

<http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/wpsplit.html>

Please, enter the sequential numbers of group and subgroup as given in International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A:

Enter supergroup or <input type="button" value="choose it"/>	<input type="text" value="136"/>	
Enter subgroup or <input type="button" value="choose it"/>	<input type="text" value="65"/>	

Please, define the [transformation](#) relating the group and the subgroup bases.
(NOTE: If you don't know the transformation click [here](#) for possible workarounds)

Linear part:	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	
	<input type="text" value="-1"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	
	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>	
Origin shift:	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	

Input:

- space-group number
- subgroup number
- transformation matrix (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p})

Wyckoff Positions Splitting

Group Data	Subgroup Data
<input type="checkbox"/> All positions	16r (x,y,z)
<input type="checkbox"/> 16k (x,y,z)	8q (x,y, 1/2)
<input type="checkbox"/> 8j (x,x,z)	8p (x,y, 0)
<input type="checkbox"/> 8i (x,y, 0)	8o (x, 0,z)
<input type="checkbox"/> 8h (0, 1/2,z)	8n (0,y,z)
<input type="checkbox"/> 4g (x, -x, 0)	8m (1/4, 1/4,z)
<input type="checkbox"/> 4f (x,x, 0)	4l (0, 1/2,z)
<input type="checkbox"/> 4e (0, 0,z)	4k (0, 0,z)
<input type="checkbox"/> 4d (0, 1/2, 1/4)	4j (0,y, 1/2)
<input type="checkbox"/> 4c (0, 1/2, 0)	4i (0,y, 0)
<input type="checkbox"/> 2b (0, 0, 1/2)	4h (x, 0, 1/2)
<input type="checkbox"/> 2a (0, 0, 0)	4g (x, 0, 0)
	4f (1/4, 1/4, 1/2)
	4e (1/4, 1/4, 0)
	2d (0, 0, 1/2)
	2c (1/2, 0, 1/2)
	2b (1/2, 0, 0)
	2a (0, 0, 0)

Wyckoff Positions Splitting

$P4_2/mnm$ (No. 136) > $Cmmm$ (No. 65)

Wyckoff position(s)		
Group	Subgroup	More...
16k	16r 16r	Relations
8j	8n 8o	Relations
8i	8p 8q	Relations
8h	8m 8m	Relations
4g	4g 4j	Relations
4f	4i 4h	Relations
4e	4k 4l	Relations
4d	8m	Relations
9	4c 4f	Relations
10	2b 2b	Relations
11	2a 2c	Relations

Choose of the
Wyckoff positions

Wyckoff Positions Splitting

Wyckoff Positions Splitting

$P4_2/mnm$ (No. 136) \supset $Cmmm$ (No. 65)

Splitting of Wyckoff position 4f

Representative			Subgroup Wyckoff position	
No	group basis	subgroup basis	name[n]	representative
1	$(x, x, 0)$	$(0, x, 0)$	$4i_1$	$(0, y_1, 0)$
2	$(-x, -x, 0)$	$(0, -x, 0)$		$(0, -y_1, 0)$
3	$(1+x, x, 0)$	$(1/2, 1/2+x, 0)$		$(1/2, 1/2+y_1, 0)$
4	$(1-x, -x, 0)$	$(1/2, 1/2-x, 0)$		$(1/2, 1/2-y_1, 0)$
5	$(1/2-x, 1/2+x, 1/2)$	$(-x, 1/2, 1/2)$	$4h_1$	$(1/2+x_2, 1/2, 1/2)$
6	$(1/2+x, 1/2-x, 1/2)$	$(x, 1/2, 1/2)$		$(1/2-x_2, 1/2, 1/2)$
7	$(1/2-x, -1/2+x, 1/2)$	$(1/2-x, 0, 1/2)$		$(x_2, 0, 1/2)$
8	$(1/2+x, -1/2-x, 1/2)$	$(1/2+x, 0, 1/2)$		$(-x_2, 0, 1/2)$

Relation between coordinate triplets

Exercise 2.32

Consider the group-subgroup pair $P4mm$ (No.99) $>$ Cm (No.8) of index $[i]=4$ and the relation between the bases $\mathbf{a}'=\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{b}'=\mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{c}'=\mathbf{c}$. Study the splittings of the Wyckoff positions for the group-subgroup pair by the program WYCKSPLIT.

