

# **Group-Subgroup Relations of Space Groups**

I. Subgroups

II. Wyckoff-position splittings

III. Supergroups of space groups

IV. Crystal-structure relationships

# Subgroups: Some basic results (summary)

## Subgroup $H < G$

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

**Proper** subgroups  $H < G$ , and  
trivial subgroup:  $\{e\}$ ,  $G$

**Index** of the subgroup  $H$  in  $G$ :  $[i] = |G|/|H|$   
 $(\text{order of } G)/(\text{order of } H)$

**Maximal** subgroup  $H$  of  $G$   
NO subgroup  $Z$  exists such that:  
 $H < Z < G$

# Coset decomposition $G:H$

Group-subgroup pair  $H < G$

left coset  
decomposition

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

m=index of  $H$  in  $G$

right coset  
decomposition

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

m=index of  $H$  in  $G$

Normal  
subgroups

$$Hg_j = g_jH, \text{ for all } g_j = I, \dots, [i]$$

# Conjugate subgroups

## Conjugate subgroups

Let  $H_1 < G, H_2 < G$

then,  $H_1 \sim H_2$ , if  $\exists g \in G: g^{-1}H_1g = H_2$

(i) Classes of conjugate subgroups:  $L(H)$

(ii) If  $H_1 \sim H_2$ , then  $H_1 \cong H_2$

(iii)  $|L(H)|$  is a divisor of  $|G|/|H|$

## Normal subgroup

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

# Subgroups of Space groups

## Coset decomposition $G:T_G$

|            |                    |     |                    |     |                    |
|------------|--------------------|-----|--------------------|-----|--------------------|
| $(l, 0)$   | $(W_2, w_2)$       | ... | $(W_m, w_m)$       | ... | $(W_i, w_i)$       |
| $(l, t_l)$ | $(W_2, w_2 + t_l)$ | ... | $(W_m, w_m + t_l)$ | ... | $(W_i, w_i + t_l)$ |
| $(l, t_2)$ | $(W_2, w_2 + t_2)$ | ... | $(W_m, w_m + t_2)$ | ... | $(W_i, w_i + t_2)$ |
| ...        | ...                | ... | ...                | ... | ...                |
| $(l, t_j)$ | $(W_2, w_2 + t_j)$ | ... | $(W_m, w_m + t_j)$ | ... | $(W_i, w_i + t_j)$ |
| ...        | ...                | ... | ...                | ... | ...                |

## Factor group $G/T_G$

isomorphic to the point group  $P_G$  of  $G$

Point group  $P_G = \{l, W_l, W_2, \dots, W_i\}$

Translationengleiche subgroups  $H < G$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T_H = T_G \\ P_H < P_G \end{array} \right.$$

Example:  $P2/m$

| $T_G$      | $T_G 2$    | $T_G \bar{1}$    | $T_G m$    |
|------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| $(l, 0)$   | $(2, 0)$   | $(\bar{l}, 0)$   | $(m, 0)$   |
| $(l, t_l)$ | $(2, t_l)$ | $(\bar{l}, t_l)$ | $(m, t_l)$ |
| $(l, t_2)$ | $(2, t_2)$ | $(\bar{l}, t_2)$ | $(m, t_2)$ |

Coset decomposition

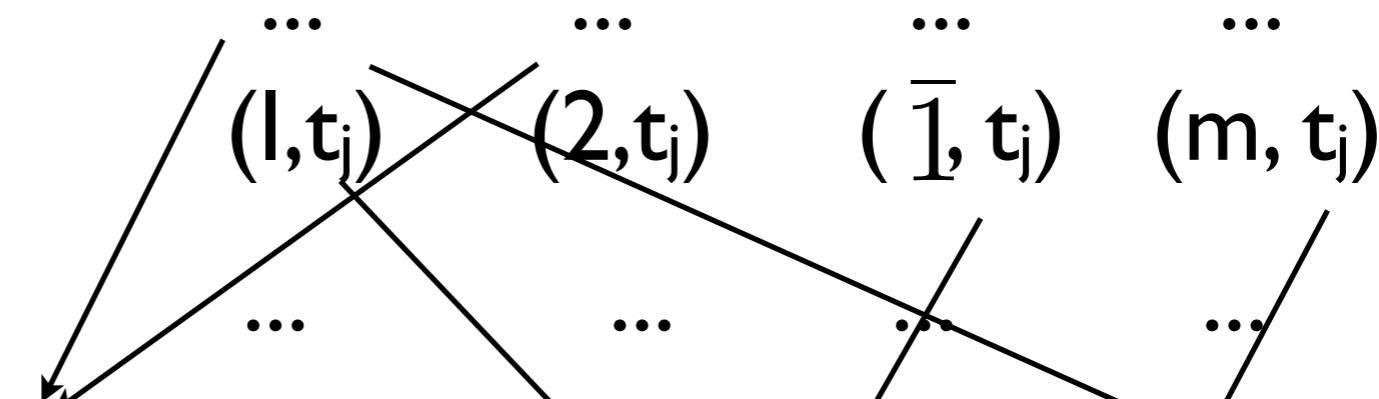
$t$ -subgroups:

$$H_1 = T_G \cup T_G 2$$

$P2$

$$H_3 = T_G \cup T_G m$$

$Pm$



$$H_2 = T_G \cup T_G \bar{1}$$

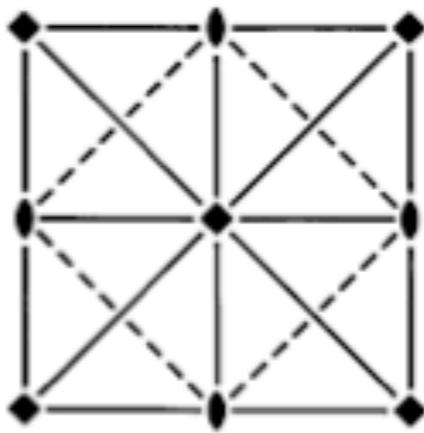
# EXERCISES

## Problem 4.1

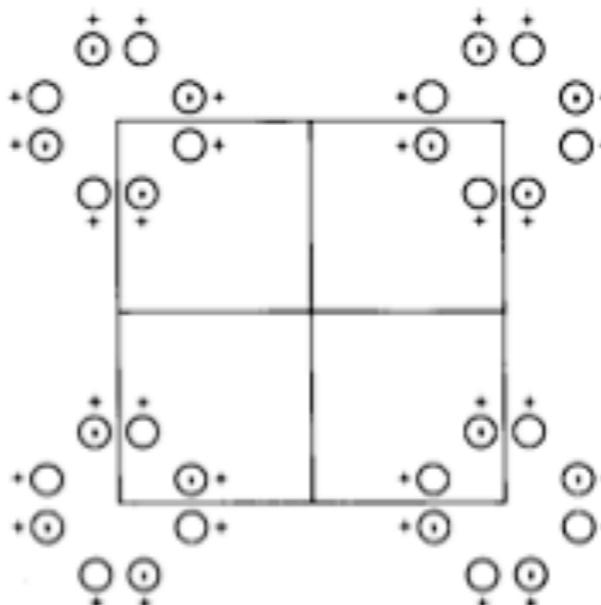
Construct the diagram of the  $t$ -subgroups of  $P4mm$  using the ‘analogy’ with the subgroup diagram of  $4mm$

**P4mm**

No. 99

**C<sub>4v</sub><sup>1</sup>****P4mm****4mm**

Tetragonal

Patterson symmetry *P4/mmm*

Origin on 4mm

Asymmetric unit     $0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ;    $0 \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ;    $0 \leq z \leq 1$ ;    $x \leq y$ **Symmetry operations**

- |             |             |                          |                          |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| (1) 1       | (2) 2 0,0,z | (3) 4 <sup>+</sup> 0,0,z | (4) 4 <sup>-</sup> 0,0,z |
| (5) m x,0,z | (6) m 0,y,z | (7) m x, $\bar{x}$ ,z    | (8) m x,x,z              |

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

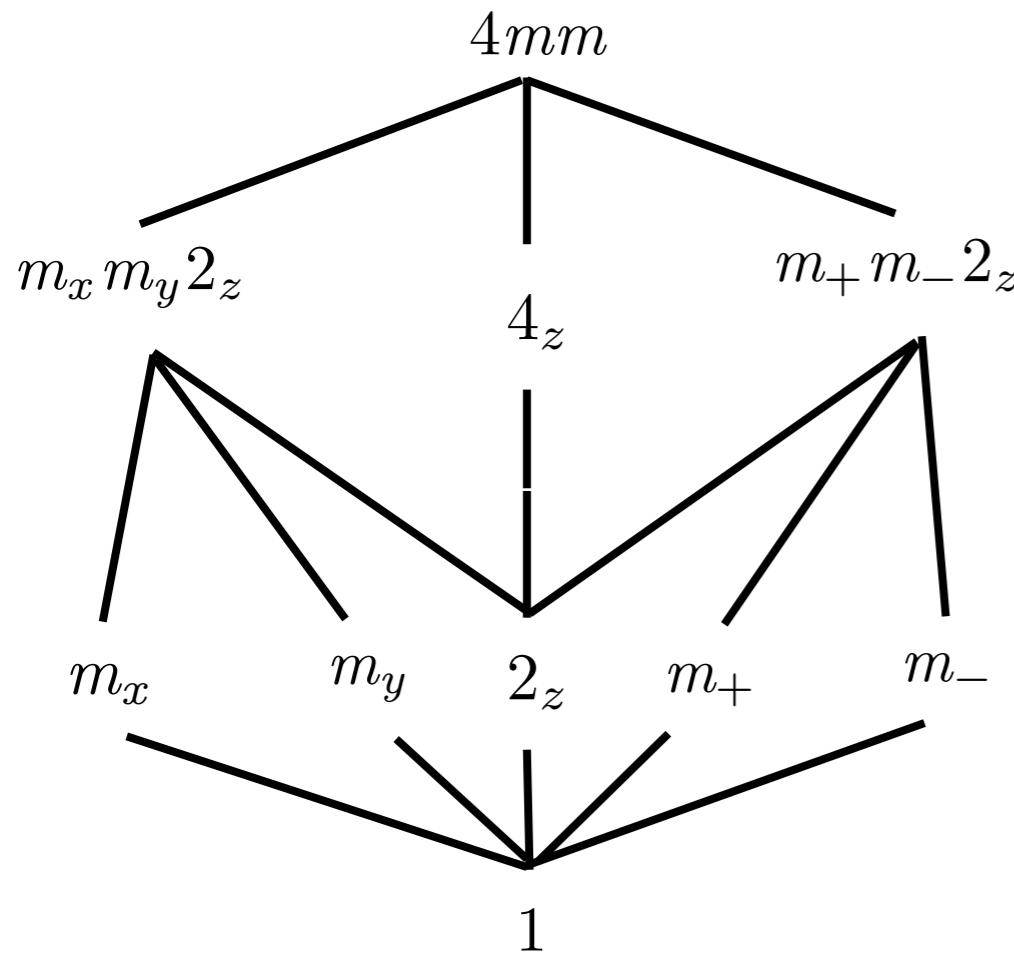
Multiplicity,  
Wyckoff letter,  
Site symmetry

8 g 1

**Coordinates**

- |                   |                         |                         |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| (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) $y,x,z$       |

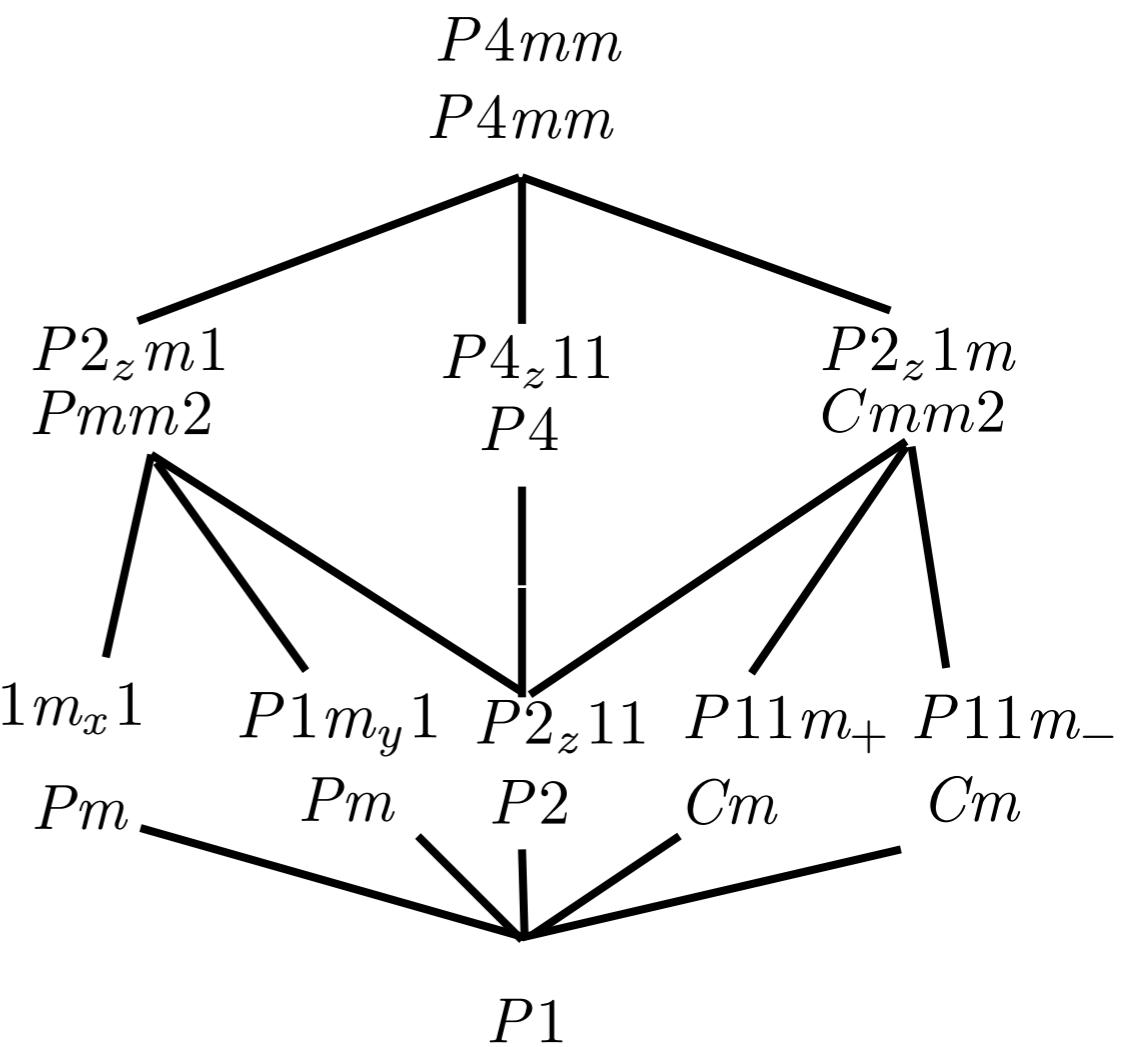
## Problem 4.I



Subgroup diagram of point  
group 4mm

index

[1]

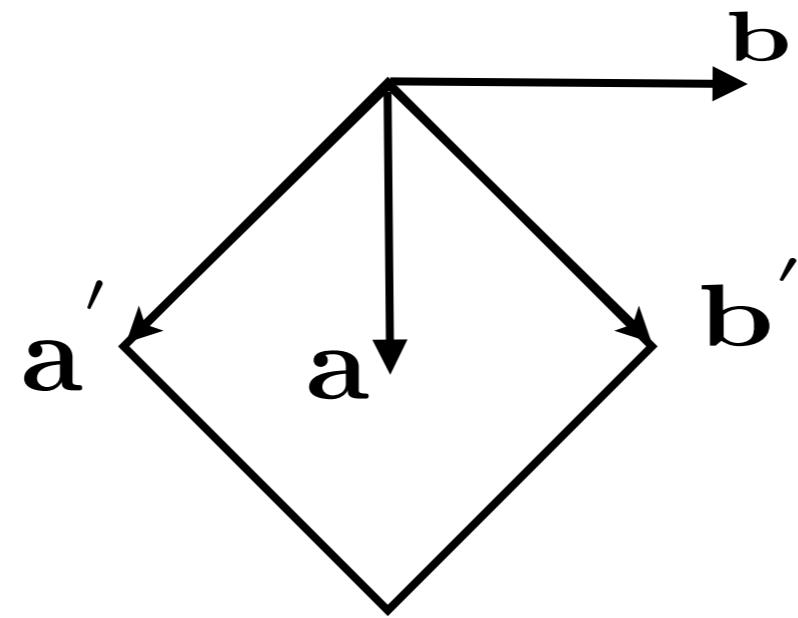


Translationengleiche subgroups of  
space group P4mm

## Problem 4.I

## SOLUTION

*Remark 1.* Due to the convention to choose the basis vectors parallel to the rotation axes,  $C$ -centered cells appear although the translation lattice has not changed. If the retained twofold axes are diagonal, the conventional basis vectors  $\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}', \mathbf{c}'$  of the subgroup are  $\mathbf{a}' = \mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}' = \mathbf{c}$  with respect to the basis vectors  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$  of  $P4mm$ . Referred to  $\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}', \mathbf{c}'$  the cell is  $C$ -centered

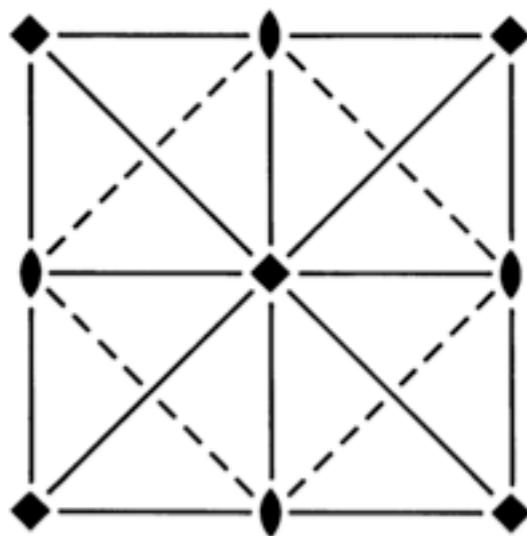


Change of basis vectors:  $\mathbf{a}'=\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}'=\mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}$

# Problem 4.I

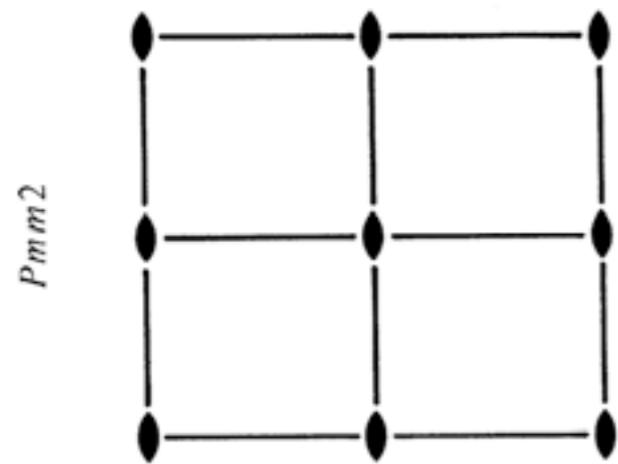
# SOLUTION

P4mm

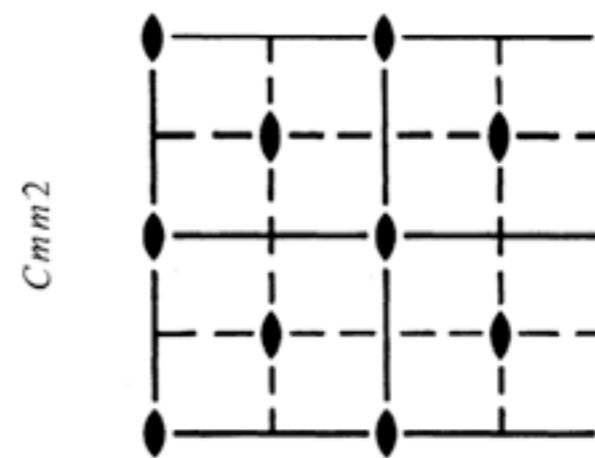


$$P = (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c})$$

Pmm2



Cmm2



Klassengleiche subgroups  $H < G$ :  
non-isomorphic

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T_H < T_G \\ P_H = P_G \end{array} \right.$$

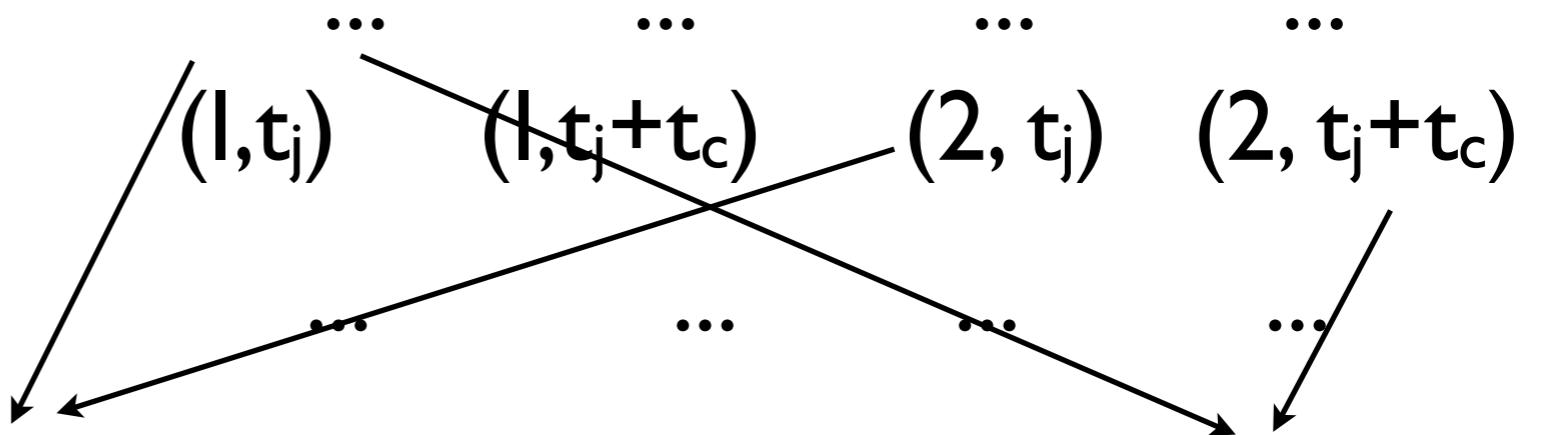
Example: C2

Coset decomposition

$t_i = \text{integer}$

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

| $T_i$      | $T_i t_c$        | $T_i 2$    | $T_i t_c 2$      |
|------------|------------------|------------|------------------|
| $(l, 0)$   | $(l, t_c)$       | $(2, 0)$   | $(2, t_c)$       |
| $(l, t_l)$ | $(l, t_l + t_c)$ | $(2, t_l)$ | $(2, t_l + t_c)$ |
| $(l, t_2)$ | $(l, t_2 + t_c)$ | $(2, t_2)$ | $(2, t_2 + t_c)$ |



$k$ -subgroups:

$$H_1 = T_i \cup T_i 2$$

P2

$$H_2 = T_i \cup T_i t_c 2$$

P2<sub>1</sub>

Klassengleiche subgroups  $H < G$ :  
isomorphic

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T_H < T_G \\ P_H = P_G \end{array} \right.$$

Example: PI

$$t = u\mathbf{a} + v\mathbf{b} + w\mathbf{c}$$

Coset decomposition

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

$$t_a(\mathbf{a}, 0, 0)$$

$$T_e \quad T_e t_a$$

$$(l, 0) \quad (l, t_a)$$

$$(l, t_l) \quad (l, t_l + t_a)$$

$$(l, t_2) \quad (l, t_2 + t_a)$$

... ...

$$(l, t_j) \quad (l, t_j + t_a)$$

... ...

isomorphic  $k$ -subgroups:

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

$$H_l = T_e$$

## Problem 4.2

Determine the k-subgroups of  $Pnma$ , No. 53 that are obtained by doubling of the  $b$  lattice parameter

*Hint:* split the cosets of  $Pnma$  relative to  $T_G$  into cosets with respect to  $T_H$

## Problem 4.2

## SOLUTION

Splitting of the translation subgroup  $T_G$

$$T_G \xrightarrow{\text{splits}} T_H \cup T_H t_b \quad \begin{aligned} T_H &= \{t(u,v=2n,w)\} \\ t_b &= (0,b,0) \end{aligned}$$

Splitting of the generator cosets

|               |                   |   |     |   |
|---------------|-------------------|---|-----|---|
| generator (2) | $\longrightarrow$ | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, z + \frac{1}{2}$ | and | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y} + 1, z + \frac{1}{2}$ |
| generator (3) | $\longrightarrow$ | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, y, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$ | and | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, y + 1, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$ |
| generator (5) | $\longrightarrow$ | $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$                       | and | $\bar{x}, \bar{y} + 1, \bar{z}$                       |

Referred to the basis  $a', b', c' = a, 2b, c$ , it is written as:

|      |   |       |   |
|------|---|-------|---|
| (2)' | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, z + \frac{1}{2}$ | (2)'' | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y} + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$ |
| (3)' | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, y, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$ | (3)'' | $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$ |
| (5)' | $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$                       | (5)'' | $\bar{x}, \bar{y} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{z}$                       |

## Problem 4.2

## SOLUTION

k-subgroups for  $b'=2b$

$(2)'$     $(3)'$     $(5)'$     $\sim$    *Pmna* (isomorphic)

$(2)'$     $(3)'$     $(5)''$     $\sim$    *Pbnn* (*Pnna*)

$(2)'$     $(3)''$     $(5)'$     $\sim$    *Pbna* (*Pbcn*)

$(2)'$     $(3)''$     $(5)''$     $\sim$    *Pmnn* (*Pnnm*)

$(2)''$     $(3)'$     $(5)'$     $\sim$    *Pbnn* (*Pnna*)

$(2)''$     $(3)'$     $(5)''$     $\sim$    *Pmna* (isomorphic)

$(2)''$     $(3)''$     $(5)'$     $\sim$    *Pmnn* (*Pnnm*)

$(2)''$     $(3)''$     $(5)''$     $\sim$    *Pbna* (*Pbcn*)

Example:  $(2)' (5)'$   $\longrightarrow$   $a_z$

$(2)'' (5)'$   $\longrightarrow$   $n_z$

# Data on maximal subgroups of space groups in *International Tables for Crystallography*, Vol.A1 (ITAI)

**R3**

No. 146

**R3**

**$C_3^4$**

HEXAGONAL AXES

**Generators selected** (1);  $t(1,0,0)$ ;  $t(0,1,0)$ ;  $t(0,0,1)$ ;  $t(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ ; (2)

**General position**

Multiplicity,  
Wyckoff letter,  
Site symmetry

9       $b$       1

**Coordinates**

$(0,0,0) + (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}) + (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}) +$

(1)  $x, y, z$     (2)  $\bar{y}, x - y, z$     (3)  $\bar{x} + y, \bar{x}, z$

## I Maximal *translationengleiche* subgroups

[3]  $R1$  (1,  $P1$ )                          1+                           $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, 1/3(-\mathbf{a} - 2\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$

## II Maximal *klassengleiche* subgroups

### ● Loss of centring translations

|                  |  |               |
|------------------|--|---------------|
| [3] $P3_2$ (145) | 1; $2 + (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ ; $3 + (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ | 0, $1/3, 0$   |
| [3] $P3_1$ (144) | 1; $2 + (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ ; $3 + (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ | $1/3, 1/3, 0$ |
| [3] $P3$ (143)   | 1; 2; 3  |               |

### ● Enlarged unit cell

|   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| [2] $\mathbf{a}' = -\mathbf{b}$ , $\mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$ , $\mathbf{c}' = 2\mathbf{c}$<br>$R3$ (146) | $\langle 2 \rangle$                                     | $-\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}, 2\mathbf{c}$  |
| [4] $\mathbf{a}' = -2\mathbf{b}$ , $\mathbf{b}' = 2\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b}$<br>$\int R3$ (146)<br>$\int R3$ (146)    | $\langle 2 \rangle$<br>$\langle 2 + (1, -1, 0) \rangle$ | $-2\mathbf{b}, 2\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$<br>$-2\mathbf{b}, 2\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$ |
|   |   | 1, 0, 0  |

# Maximal subgroups of $P4mm$ (No. 99)

## I Maximal *translationengleiche* subgroups

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

$\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$

## II Maximal *klassengleiche* subgroups

- Enlarged unit cell

|                                 |                                       |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| [2] $\mathbf{c}' = 2\mathbf{c}$ |                                       |
| $P4_2mc$ (105)                  | $\langle 2; 5; 3 + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$ |
| $P4cc$ (103)                    | $\langle 2; 3; 5 + (0, 0, 1) \rangle$ |

$\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, 2\mathbf{c}$   
 $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, 2\mathbf{c}$

## Remarks

[i] HMS1 (No., HMS2)      Sequence

matrix      shift

{ braces for conjugate subgroups

$$(P, p): \quad O_H = O_G + p \\ (a_H, b_H, c_H) = (a_G, b_G, c_G) P$$

General subgroups  $H < G$ :

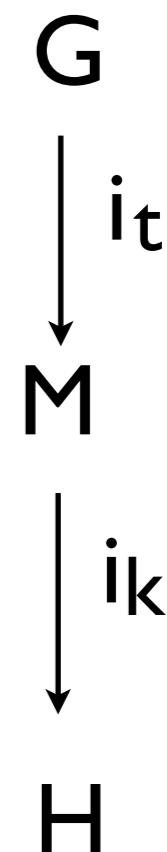
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T_H < T_G \\ P_H < P_G \end{array} \right.$$

Theorem Hermann, 1929:

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

$M$  is a *t*-subgroup of  $G$

$H$  is a *k*-subgroup of  $M$



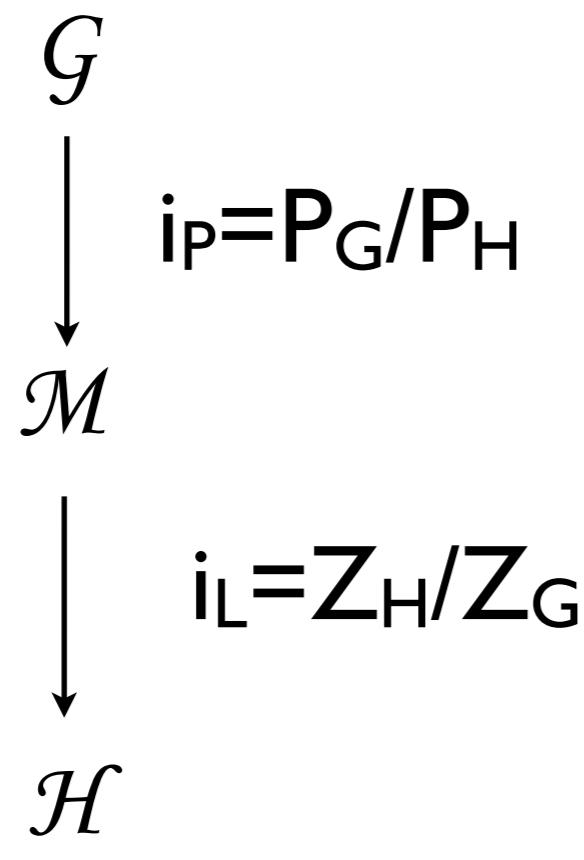
Corollary

A maximal subgroup is either a *t*- or *k*-subgroup

## Index [i] for a group-subgroup pair $G > H$

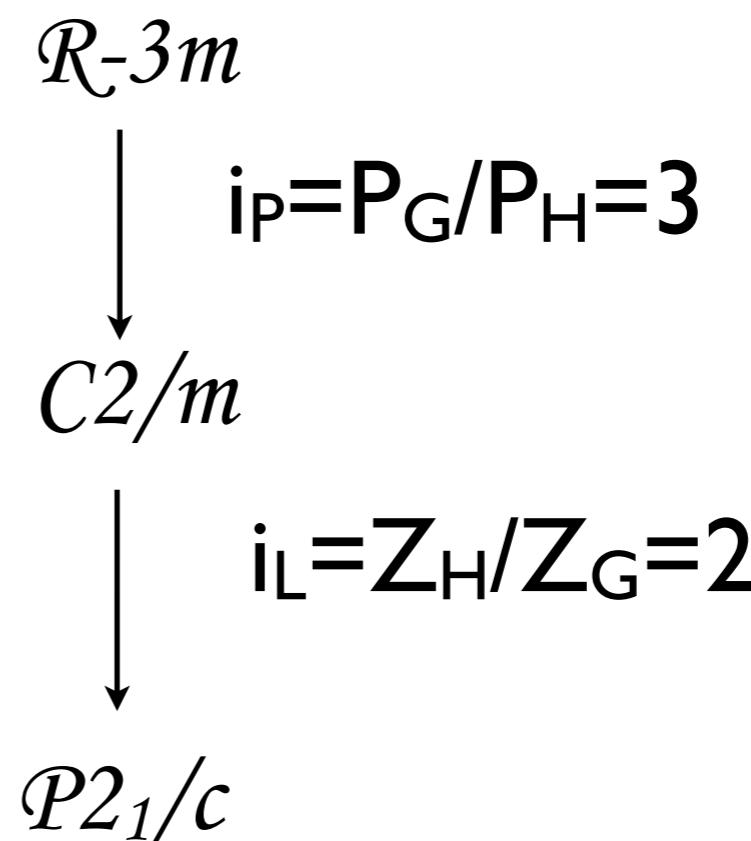
Hermann, 1929:

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



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

$$[i] = 3 \cdot 2 = 6$$

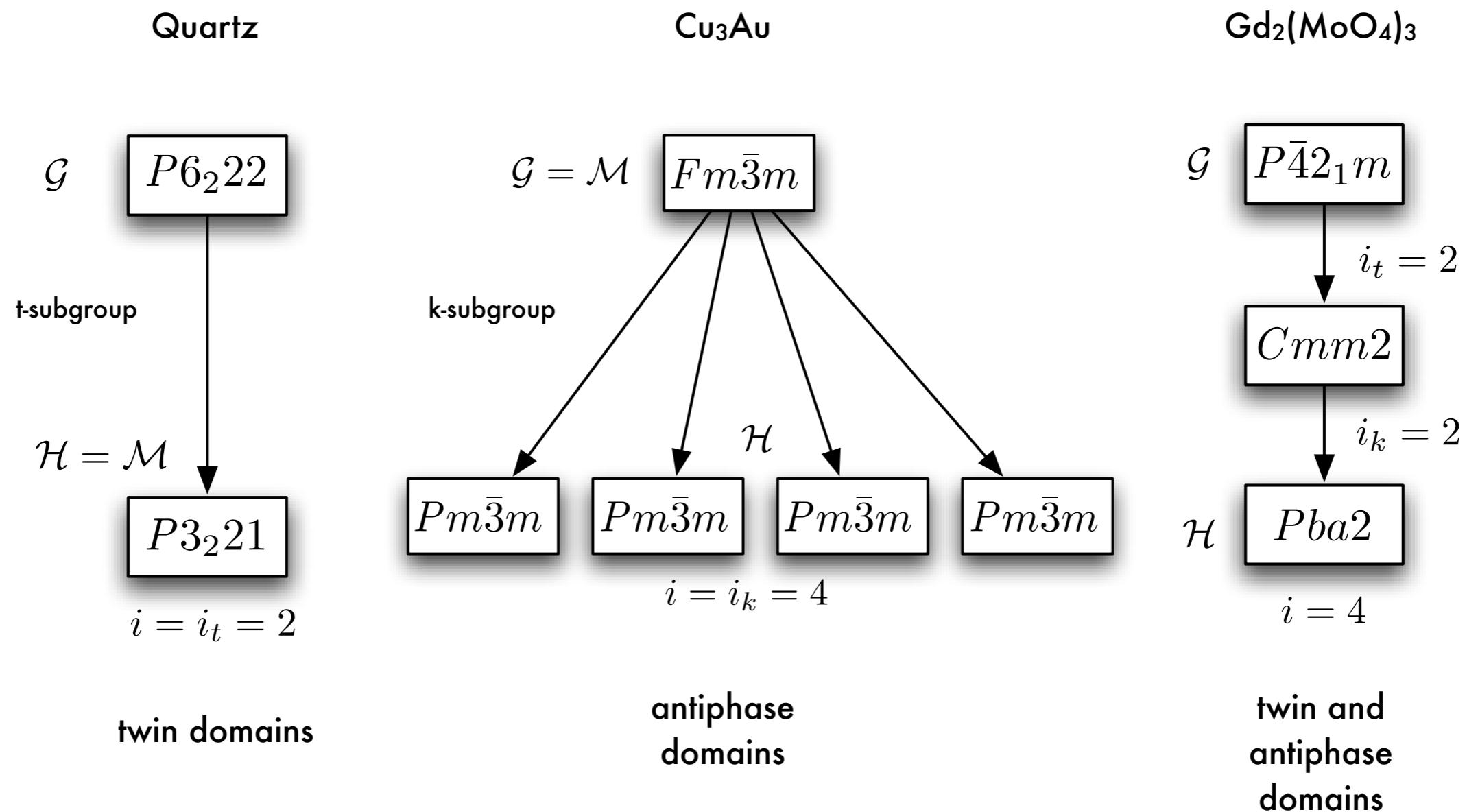


$\mathcal{M}$  is a *t*-subgroup of  $G$

$\mathcal{H}$  is a *k*-subgroup of  $\mathcal{M}$

# Problem: CLASSIFICATION OF DOMAINS

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## Problem 4.3

At high temperatures,  $\text{BiTiO}_3$  has the cubic perovskite structure, space group Pm-3m. Upon heating, it distorts to the space group P4mm. Can we expect twinned crystals of the low symmetry form? If so, how many kinds of domains?

## Problem 4.4

$\text{SrTiO}_3$  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 unit cell is increased by the factor of four. Can we expect twinned crystals of the low symmetry form? If so, how many kinds of domains?

# Relations between Wyckoff positions

## General splitting rules

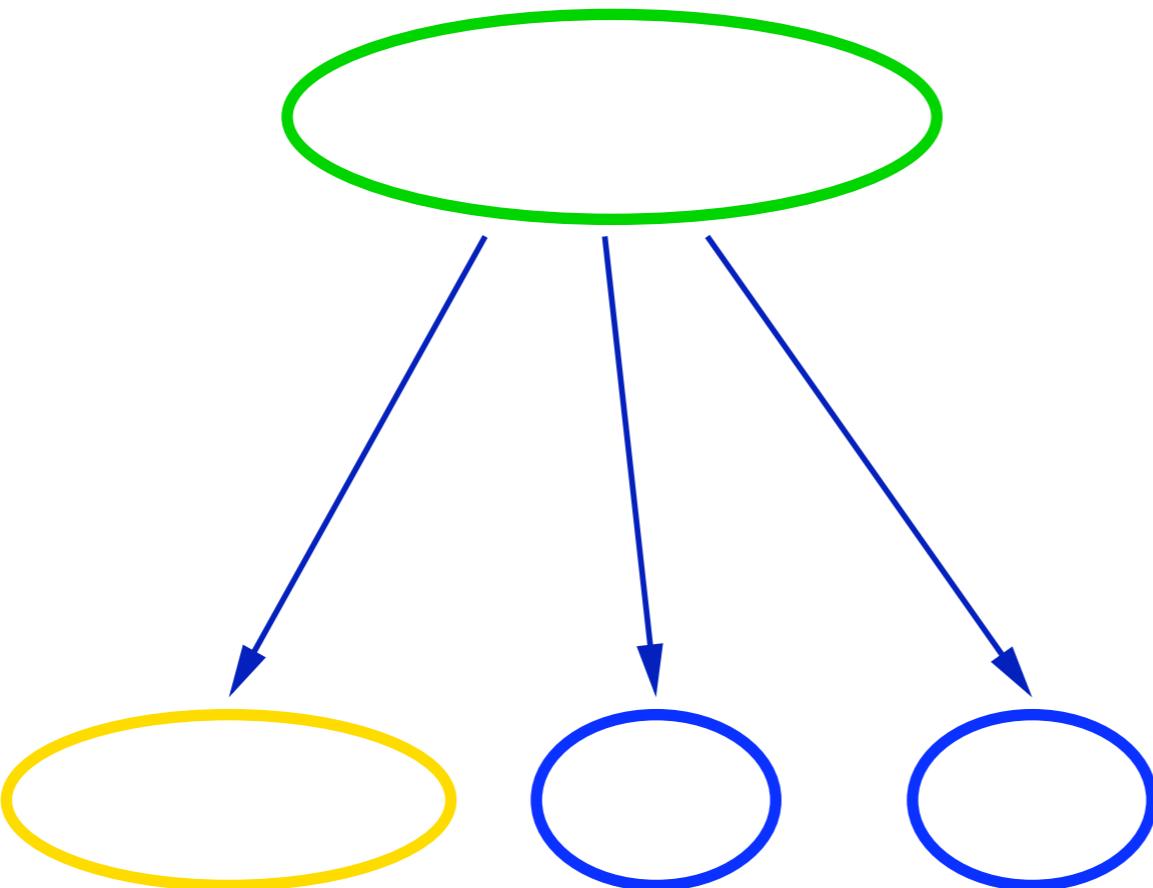
(Wondratschek 1993, 1995)

$\mathcal{W}^G$

$G > H, (P, p)$

$\mathcal{W}_i^H$

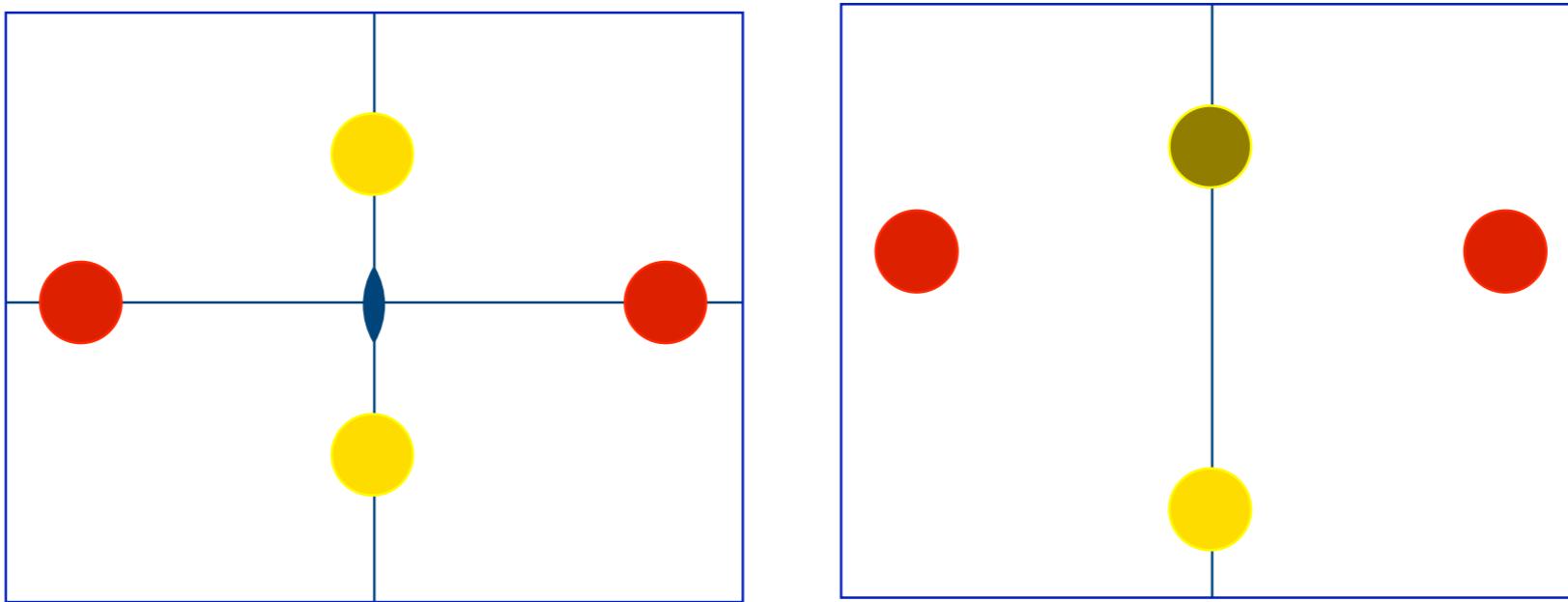
$$R_i = \frac{|\mathcal{S}_G(X)|}{|\mathcal{S}_H(X_i)|}$$



$$[i] = \sum_{i=1}^q R_i$$

# Relations between Wyckoff positions

$$\mathcal{G} = \text{Pmm2} > \mathcal{H} = \text{Pm}, [i] = 2$$



$S_0, \mathcal{G} = \text{Pmm2}$

$2h \text{ m..} (1/2, y, z)$

$2f \text{ .m.} (x, 1/2, z)$

$S_1, \mathcal{H} = \text{Pm}$

$2c \text{ I} (x, y, z)$

$1b \text{ m} (x_2, 1/2, z_2)$

$1b \text{ m} (x_1, 1/2, z_1)$

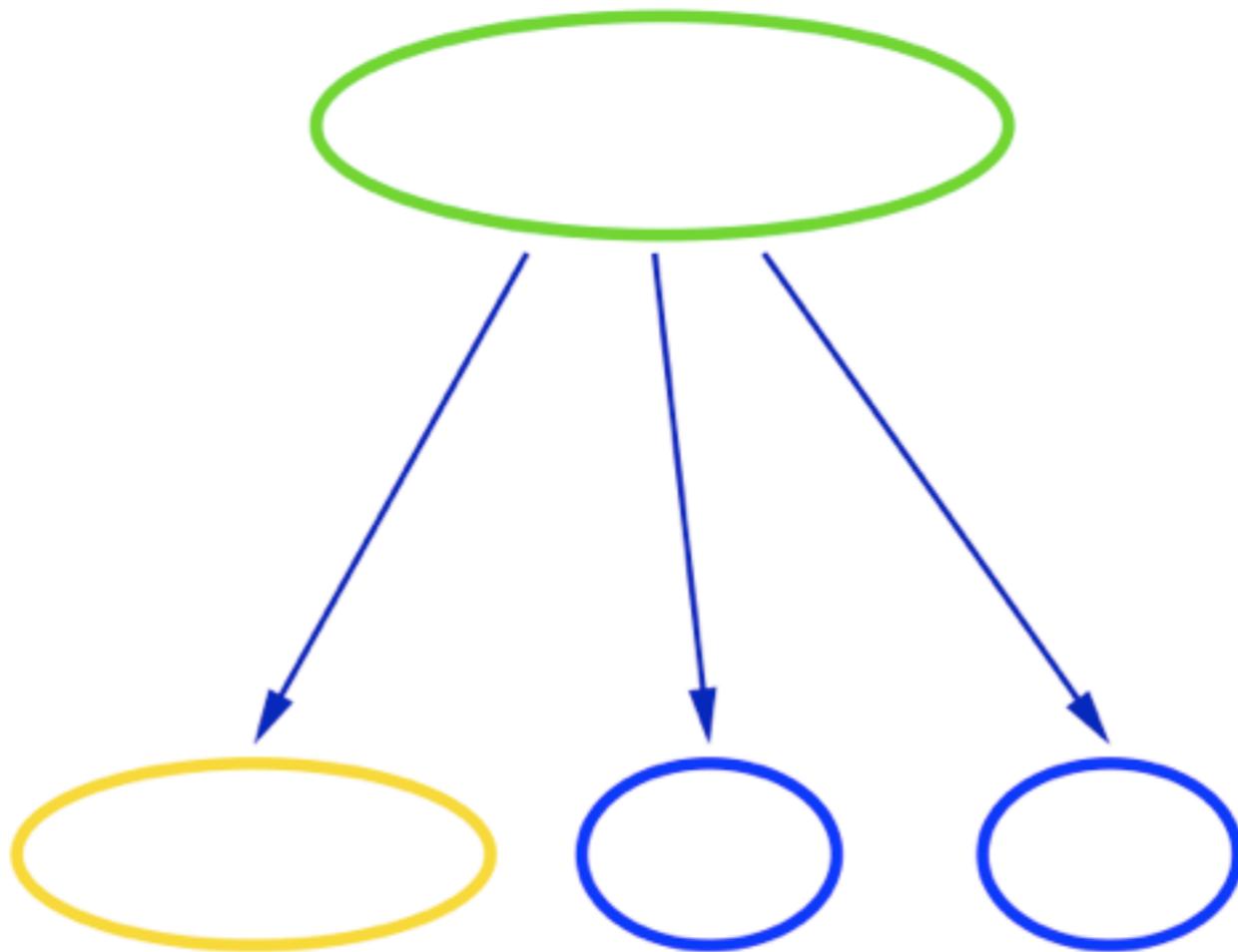
SYMMETRY REDUCTION

## General splitting rules

(Wondratschek 1993, 1995)

$\mathcal{W}^{\mathcal{G}}$

$\mathcal{W}_i^{\mathcal{H}}$



$\mathcal{G} > \mathcal{H}, (\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p})$

$$R_i = \frac{|\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{G}}(X)|}{|\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}(X_i)|}$$

$$[i] = \sum_{i=1}^q R_i$$

## Restrictions on the splitting schemes:

(i)  $G \triangleright H$ :  $H$  a normal subgroup of  $G$

$$R_i = R \text{ in } [i] = \sum R_i$$

(ii)  $G \geq Z \geq H$ :

splitting  $G \rightarrow H$  { Splitting  $G \rightarrow Z$   
Splitting  $Z \rightarrow H$

Example:  $G > H$ ,  $[i] = 4$

(i) one orbit:  $R = 4$

(iv) four orbits:

(ii) two orbits:  $R_1 = R_2 = 2$

$$R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_4 = 1$$

$$R_1 = 3, R_2 = 1$$

(iii) three orbits:  $R_1 = R_2 = 1$   
 $R_3 = 2$

## General procedure:

Given  $G, H < G$ , index [i] and  $(P,p)$

-transform  $(\text{data})_G \longrightarrow (\text{data})_H$

### I. Right-coset decomposition

$$G = H + Hg_2 + \dots + Hg_k$$

### 2. General-position orbit splitting

$$O_G(X_o) = O_H(X_{o,1}) + O_H(X_{o,2}) + \dots + O_H(X_{o,k})$$

### 3. Special-position orbit splitting

(i) substitution of parameters:  $O_H(X_{o,j}) \longrightarrow O_H(X_j)$

(ii) assignment of  $O_H(X_j)$  to the WP of  $H$

Example:

 $G=P4_2mnm$  $H=Cmmm \quad [i]=2, a'=a-b, b'=a+b, c'=c$ 

## I. General-orbit splitting

$$16k \ 1 \ (x, y, z) \rightarrow 16r \ 1 \ (x_1, y_1, z_1) \cup 16r \ 1 \ (x_2, y_2, z_2)$$

Orbit 1

$(x, y, z)$   
 $(-x, -y, z)$   
 $(-x, y, -z)$   
 $(x, -y, -z)$   
 $(-x, -y, -z)$   
 $(x, y, -z)$   
 $(x, -y, z)$   
 $(-x, y, z)$

coset  
representatives

Orbit 2

$(-y, x+1/2, z+1/2)$   
 $(y, -x+1/2, z+1/2)$   
 $(y, x+1/2, -z+1/2)$   
 $(-y, -x+1/2, -z+1/2)$   
 $(y, -x+1/2, -z+1/2)$   
 $(-y, x+1/2, -z+1/2)$   
 $(-y, -x+1/2, z+1/2)$   
 $(y, x+1/2, z+1/2)$

$$+ \\ t(1/2, 1/2, 0)$$

$$+ \\ t(1/2, 1/2, 0)$$

## 2. Special-orbit splitting: 2a 0,0,0

## (i) Substitution of parameters

|           |                   |           |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| general   | $\longrightarrow$ | special   |
| $x, y, z$ |                   | $0, 0, 0$ |

Orbit 1:

|           |                   |           |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| $x, y, z$ | $\longrightarrow$ | $0, 0, 0$ |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|

|                                |                   |               |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Orbit 2: $y, x + 1/2, z + 1/2$ | $\longrightarrow$ | $0, 1/2, 1/2$ |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|

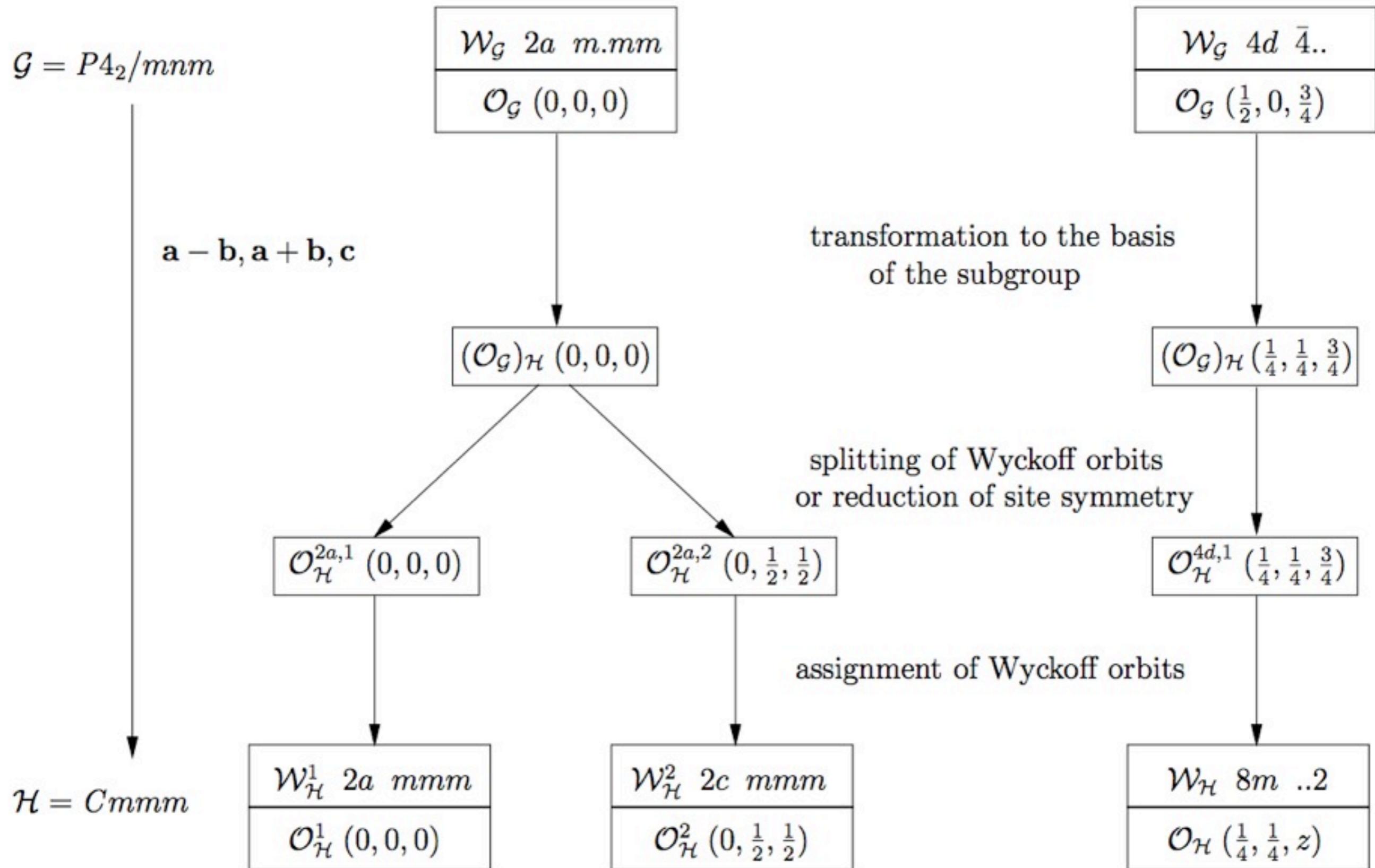
## (ii) Assignment

|               |                   |               |
|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| $0, 0, 0$     | $\longrightarrow$ | $(2a)_{Cmmm}$ |
| $0, 1/2, 1/2$ | $\longrightarrow$ | $(2c)_{Cmmm}$ |

|            |                                  |                             |
|------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Splitting: | $(2a)_{P42/mnm} \longrightarrow$ | $(2a)_{Cmmm} + (2c)_{Cmmm}$ |
|------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|

# Wyckoff position splitting

Example:



Example: WYCKSPLIT:  $P4_2/mnm > Cmmm$ , index 2

## Wyckoff Positions Splitting

**136 ( $P4_2/mnm$ ) > 65 ( $Cmmm$ )**

**Splitting of Wyckoff position 4g**

| Representative |                        |                   | Subgroup Wyckoff position |                                   |
|----------------|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| No             | group basis            | subgroup basis    | name[n]                   | representative                    |
| 1              | (x, -x, 0 )            | (x, 0, 0 )        | 4g <sub>1</sub>           | (x <sub>1</sub> , 0, 0 )          |
| 2              | (-x, x, 0 )            | (-x, 0, 0 )       |                           | (-x <sub>1</sub> , 0, 0 )         |
| 3              | (x+1, -x, 0 )          | (x+1/2, 1/2, 0 )  |                           | (x <sub>1</sub> +1/2, 1/2, 0 )    |
| 4              | (-x+1, x, 0 )          | (-x+1/2, 1/2, 0 ) |                           | (-x <sub>1</sub> +1/2, 1/2, 0 )   |
| 5              | (x+1/2, x+1/2, 1/2 )   | (0, x+1/2, 1/2 )  | 4j <sub>1</sub>           | (0, y <sub>2</sub> , 1/2 )        |
| 6              | (-x+1/2, -x+1/2, 1/2 ) | (0, -x+1/2, 1/2 ) |                           | (0, -y <sub>2</sub> , 1/2 )       |
| 7              | (x+1/2, x-1/2, 1/2 )   | (1/2, x, 1/2 )    |                           | (1/2, y <sub>2</sub> +1/2, 1/2 )  |
| 8              | (-x+1/2, -x-1/2, 1/2 ) | (1/2, -x, 1/2 )   |                           | (1/2, -y <sub>2</sub> +1/2, 1/2 ) |

## Problem 5.I

Consider the group  
-subgroup pair  $P4mm > Cm$   
 $[i]=4, a'=a-b, b'=a+b, c'=c$

Determine the splitting schemes for WPs 1a, 1b, 2c, 4d

### group $P4mm$

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

#### Positions

Multiplicity,  
Wyckoff letter,  
Site symmetry

|   |          | Coordinates |                     |                           |                           |
|---|----------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 8 | <i>g</i> | 1           | (1) $x, y, z$       | (2) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, z$ | (3) $\bar{y}, x, z$       |
|   |          |             | (5) $x, \bar{y}, z$ | (6) $\bar{x}, y, z$       | (7) $\bar{y}, \bar{x}, z$ |

|   |          |        |                               |                           |                     |                           |
|---|----------|--------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 4 | <i>f</i> | . m.   | $x, \frac{1}{2}, z$           | $\bar{x}, \frac{1}{2}, z$ | $\frac{1}{2}, x, z$ | $\frac{1}{2}, \bar{x}, z$ |
| 4 | <i>e</i> | . m.   | $x, 0, z$                     | $\bar{x}, 0, z$           | $0, x, z$           | $0, \bar{x}, z$           |
| 4 | <i>d</i> | . . m  | $x, x, z$                     | $\bar{x}, \bar{x}, z$     | $\bar{x}, x, z$     | $x, \bar{x}, z$           |
| 2 | <i>c</i> | 2 m m. | $\frac{1}{2}, 0, z$           | $0, \frac{1}{2}, z$       |                     |                           |
| 2 | <i>a</i> | 4 m m  | $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, z$ |                           |                     |                           |
| 1 | <i>b</i> | 4 m m  | $0, 0, z$                     |                           |                     |                           |

### subgroup $Cm$

**Generators selected** (1);  $t(1,0,0)$ ;  $t(0,1,0)$ ;  $t(0,0,1)$ ;  $t(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$

#### Positions

|   |          | Coordinates |               |                     |  |
|---|----------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|--|
| 4 | <i>b</i> | 1           | (1) $x, y, z$ | (2) $x, \bar{y}, z$ |  |
|   |          |             |               |                     |  |

|   |          |          |           |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|
| 2 | <i>a</i> | <i>m</i> | $x, 0, z$ |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|

## Problem 5.I

## SOLUTION

### General-position splitting

| coset 1<br>$Cm$             | coset 2<br>$Cm(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, z)$ | coset 3<br>$Cm(\bar{y}, \bar{x}, z)$ | coset 4<br>$Cm(y, x, z)$    |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| $x, y, z$                   | $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, z$                | $\bar{y}, \bar{x}, z$                | $y, x, z$                   |
| $x, \bar{y}, z$             | $\bar{x}, y, z$                      | $\bar{y}, x, z$                      | $y, \bar{x}, z$             |
| $x + 1/2, y + 1/2, z$       | $\bar{x} + 1/2, \bar{y} + 1/2, z$    | $\bar{y} + 1/2, \bar{x} + 1/2, z$    | $y + 1/2, x + 1/2, z$       |
| $x + 1/2, \bar{y} + 1/2, z$ | $\bar{x} + 1/2, y + 1/2, z$          | $\bar{y} + 1/2, x + 1/2, z$          | $y + 1/2, \bar{x} + 1/2, z$ |

### Special-position splittings

1a  $4mm(0, 0, z) \rightarrow 2a\ m(x, 0, z)$ .

1b  $4mm(0, 1/2, z) \rightarrow 2a\ m(x, 0, z)$ ,

2c  $2mm.(1/4, 1/4, z) \rightarrow 4b\ 1(x, y, z)$

4d  $.m(0, x, z) \rightarrow 2a\ m(x, 0, z) \cup 2a\ m(\bar{x}, 0, z) \cup 4b\ 1(x, y, z)$ .

## Problem 5.I

Splitting of the Wyckoff positions:  
 $P4mm > Cm$  (by direct inspection)

Transformation of coordinates:

$$P = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & \\ \hline -1 & 1 & \\ \hline & & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad P^{-1} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1/2 & -1/2 & \\ \hline 1/2 & 1/2 & \\ \hline & & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$Cm$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline x' \\ \hline y' \\ \hline z' \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$P4mm$

$$= \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1/2 & -1/2 & \\ \hline 1/2 & 1/2 & \\ \hline & & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline x \\ \hline y \\ \hline z \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Splitting schemes:

1a 4mm (00z)  $\rightarrow$  2a m (x0z)

2c 2mm. (1/20z)  $\rightarrow$  4b I (xyz)

# Data on Relations between Wyckoff Positions in *International Tables for Crystallography*, Vol.AI

$D_{4h}^{14}$

$P4_2/m2_1/n2/m$

No. 136

$P4_2/mnm$

| Axes  | Coordinates  | Wyckoff positions |                  |                        |                        |                              |                         |
|---|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|   |  | 2a                | 2b<br>4g         | 4c<br>8h               | 4d<br>8i               | 4e<br>8j                     | 4f<br>16k               |
| <b>I Maximal translationengleiche subgroups</b> |  |                   |                  |                        |                        |                              |                         |
| [2] $P\bar{4}n2$ (118)                          | $x+\frac{1}{2}, y, z+\frac{1}{4}$  | 2d                | 2c<br>4f         | 4e<br>$2\times 4e$     | 2a; 2b<br>8i           | 4h<br>8i                     | 4g<br>$2\times 8i$      |
| [2] $P\bar{4}2_1m$ (113)                        | $x+\frac{1}{2}, y, z+\frac{1}{4}$  | 2c                | 2c<br>4e         | 4d<br>$2\times 4d$     | 2a; 2b<br>8f           | $2\times 2c$<br>$2\times 4e$ | 4e<br>$2\times 8f$      |
| [2] $P4_2nm$ (102)                              |  | 2a                | 2a<br>4c         | 4b<br>$2\times 4b$     | 4b<br>8d               | $2\times 2a$<br>$2\times 4c$ | 4c<br>$2\times 8d$      |
| [2] $P4_22_12$ (94)                             |  | 2a                | 2b<br>4f         | 4d<br>$2\times 4d$     | 4d<br>8g               | 4c<br>8g                     | 4e<br>$2\times 8g$      |
| [2] $P4_2/m$ (84)                               | $x+\frac{1}{2}, y, z$  | 2d                | 2c<br>4j         | 2a; 2b<br>4g; 4h       | 2e; 2f<br>$2\times 4j$ | 4i<br>8k                     | 4j<br>$2\times 8k$      |
| [2] $Pnnm$ (58)                                 |  | 2a                | 2b<br>4g         | 2c; 2d<br>$2\times 4f$ | 4f<br>$2\times 4g$     | 4e<br>8h                     | 4g<br>$2\times 8h$      |
| [2] $Cmmm$ (65)                                 | $\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}, \frac{1}{2}(x-y),$<br>$\mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c} \frac{1}{2}(x+y), z;$<br>$+(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ | 2a; 2c            | 2b; 2d<br>4g; 4j | 4e; 4f<br>$2\times 8m$ | 8m<br>8p; 8q           | 4k; 4l<br>8n; 8o             | 4h; 4i<br>$2\times 16r$ |

# ITAI Space group P4<sub>2</sub>/mnm (selection)

$D_{4h}^{14}$

P4<sub>2</sub>/m2<sub>1</sub>/n2/m

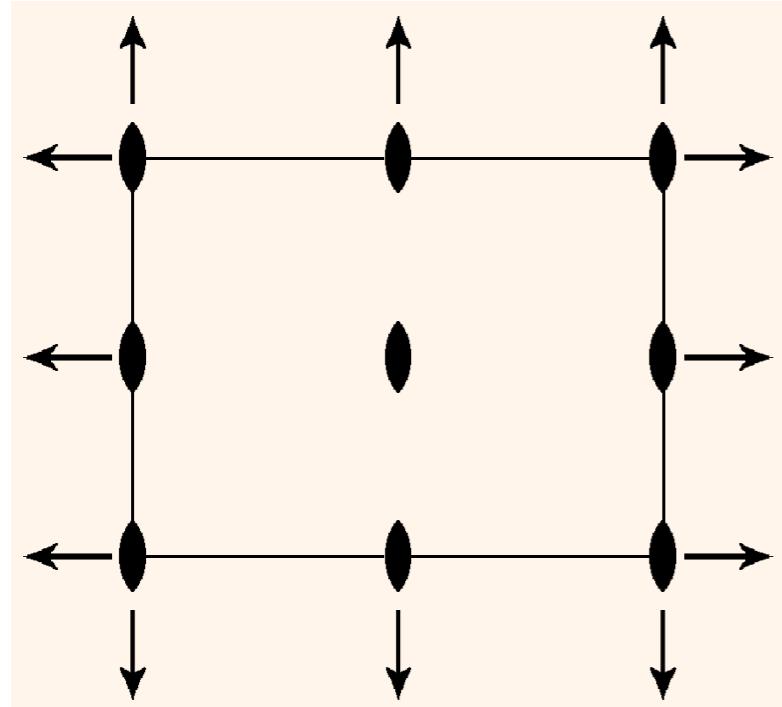
No. 136

P4<sub>2</sub>/mnm

| Axes  | Coordinates  | Wyckoff positions |                  |                        |                        |                              |                         |
|---|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|   |  | 2a                | 2b               | 4c                     | 4d                     | 4e                           | 4f                      |
|   |  |                   | 4g               | 8h                     | 8i                     | 8j                           | 16k                     |
| <b>I Maximal translationengleiche subgroups</b> |  |                   |                  |                        |                        |                              |                         |
| [2] $P\bar{4}n2$ (118)                          | $x+\frac{1}{2}, y, z+\frac{1}{4}$  | 2d                | 2c<br>4f         | 4e<br>$2\times 4e$     | 2a; 2b<br>8i           | 4h<br>8i                     | 4g<br>$2\times 8i$      |
| [2] $P\bar{4}2_1m$ (113)                        | $x+\frac{1}{2}, y, z+\frac{1}{4}$  | 2c                | 2c<br>4e         | 4d<br>$2\times 4d$     | 2a; 2b<br>8f           | $2\times 2c$<br>$2\times 4e$ | 4e<br>$2\times 8f$      |
| [2] $P4_2nm$ (102)                              |  | 2a                | 2a<br>4c         | 4b<br>$2\times 4b$     | 4b<br>8d               | $2\times 2a$<br>$2\times 4c$ | 4c<br>$2\times 8d$      |
| [2] $P4_22_12$ (94)                             |  | 2a                | 2b<br>4f         | 4d<br>$2\times 4d$     | 4d<br>8g               | 4c<br>8g                     | 4e<br>$2\times 8g$      |
| [2] $P4_2/m$ (84)                               | $x+\frac{1}{2}, y, z$  | 2d                | 2c<br>4j         | 2a; 2b<br>4g; 4h       | 2e; 2f<br>$2\times 4j$ | 4i<br>8k                     | 4j<br>$2\times 8k$      |
| [2] $Pnnm$ (58)                                 |  | 2a                | 2b<br>4g         | 2c; 2d<br>$2\times 4f$ | 4f<br>$2\times 4g$     | 4e<br>8h                     | 4g<br>$2\times 8h$      |
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Example

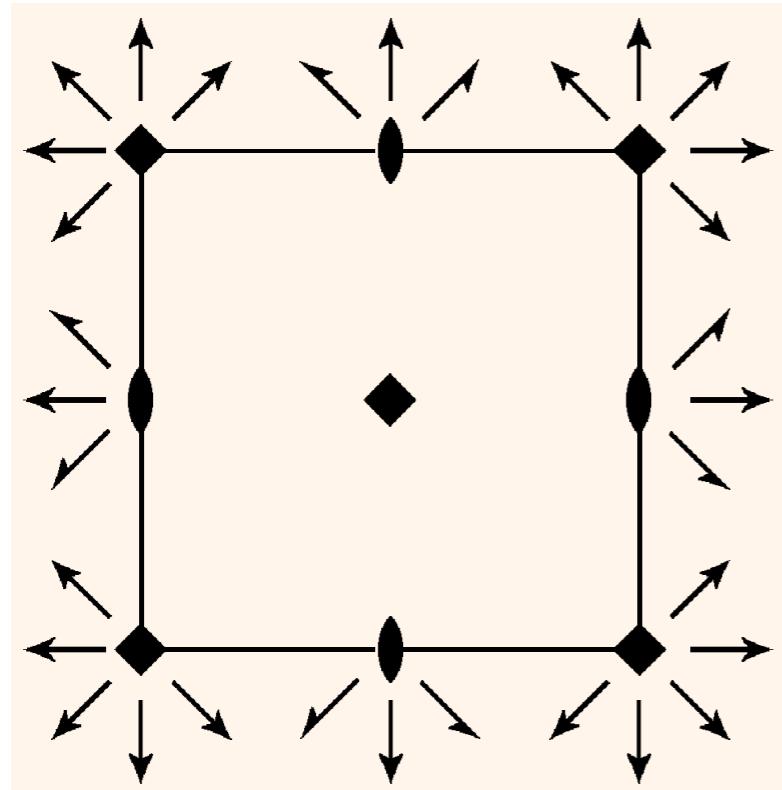
# Supergroups of the same type



$$\mathcal{H} = \text{P}222$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \text{P}422$$

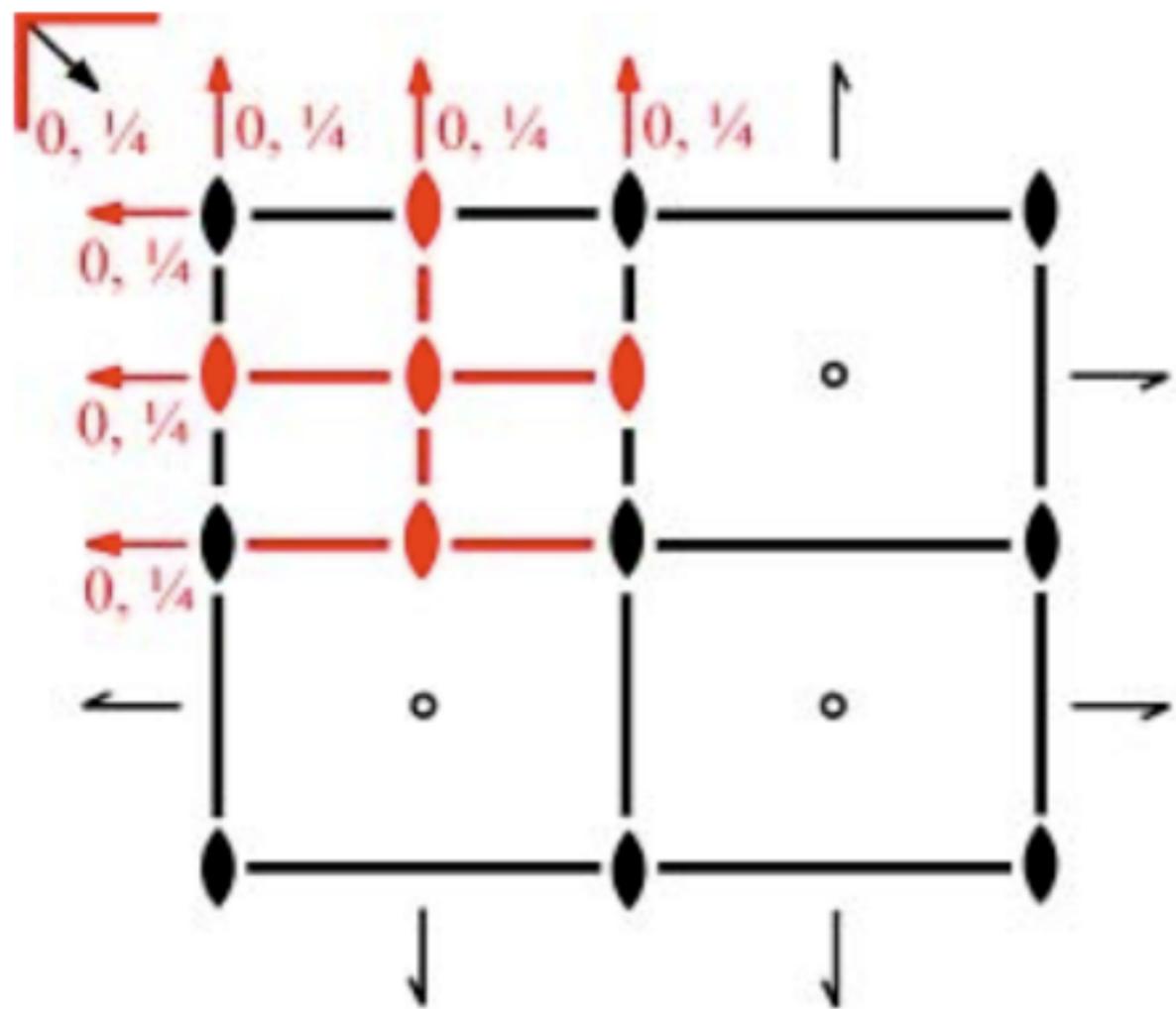
$$\text{P}422 = \text{P}222 + (4|\omega)\text{P}222$$



|  | $4_z$                 | $4_y$                 | $4_x$                 | $\text{en}$                     | $\omega$                        | $\mathcal{G}$      |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
|  | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$                     | $(0, 0, 0)$                     | $(\text{P}422)_1$  |
|  | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$                     | $(0, 0, 0)$                     | $(\text{P}422)_2$  |
|  | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$           | $(0, 0, 0)$                     | $(0, 0, 0)$                     | $(\text{P}422)_3$  |
|  | $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0)$ | $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0)$ | $(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ | $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ | $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ | $(\text{P}422)'_1$ |
|  | $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0)$ | $(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ | $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0)$ | $(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ | $(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ | $(\text{P}422)'_2$ |
|  | $(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ | $(0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$ | $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0)$ | $(0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$           | $(0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$           | $(\text{P}422)'_3$ |

# Normalizers of space groups

# the symmetry of symmetry

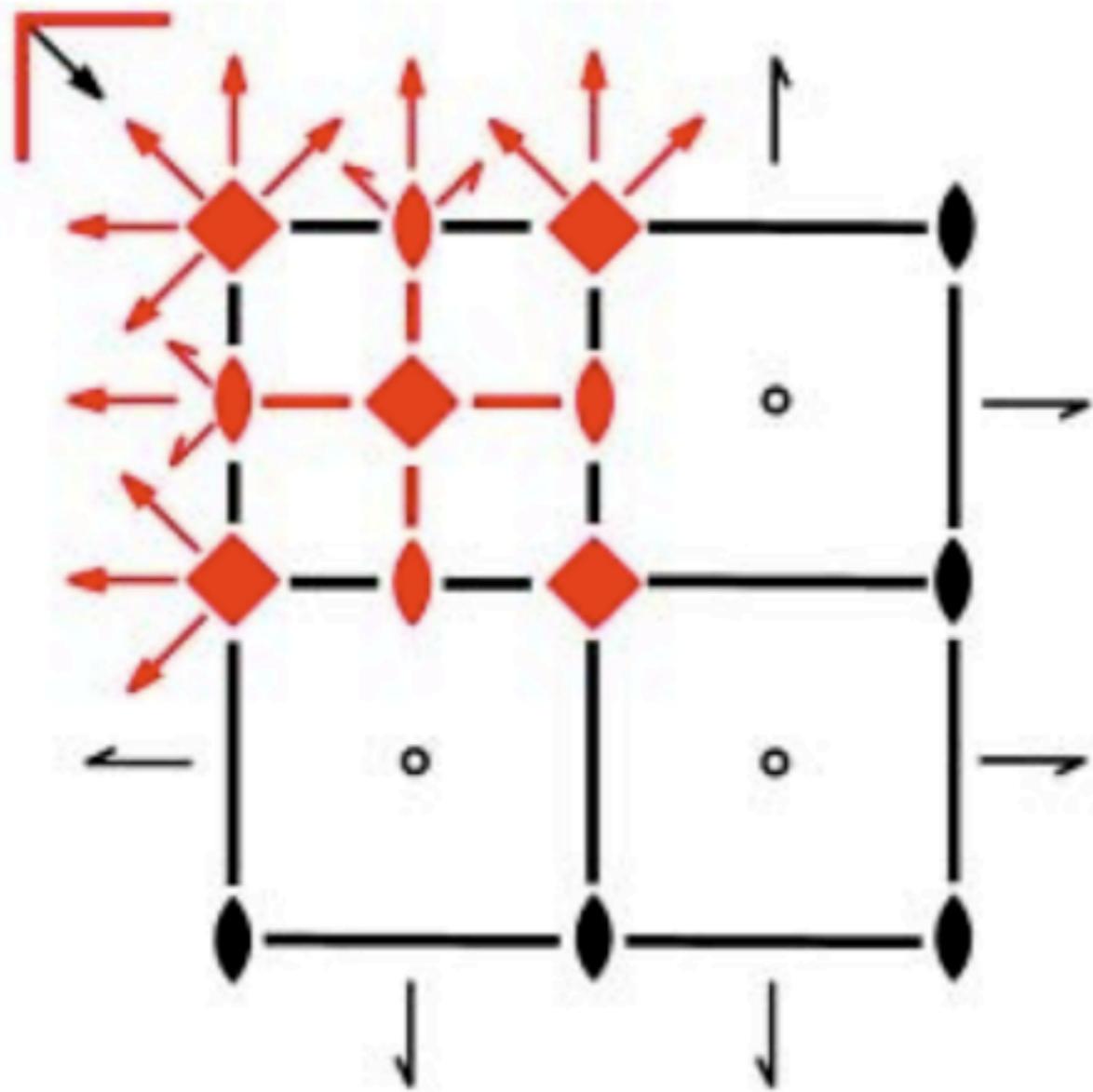


# Space group: Pmmn (a,b,c)

# Euclidean normalizer: Pmmm ( $1/2a, 1/2b, 1/2c$ )

# Normalizers for specialized metrics

Normalizers



Space group:  
Pmmn (a,b,c), **a=b**

Euclidean normalizer for  
specialized metrics:  
**P4/mmm (1/2a, 1/2b, 1/2c)**

Applications:

- Equivalent point configurations
- Wyckoff sets
- Equivalent structure descriptions

# Normalizers of space groups

## NORMALIZER

**Cosets representatives of the Affine Normalizer with respect to the Space Group 99 ( $P4mm$ )**

The Affine normalizer coincides with the *Euclidean* one.

Transformation of the Wyckoff Positions of Space Group 99 ( $P4mm$ ) under Affine Normalizer  $N(G)$ :

Index:  $4^*(\text{infinite})$

| Coset Representative |  | Transformed WP |
|----------------------|--|----------------|
| $x, y, z$            | $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$        | a b c d e f g  |
| $x+1/2, y+1/2, z$    | $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$    | b a c d f e g  |
| $-x, -y, -z$         | $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$     | a b c d e f g  |
| $-x+1/2, -y+1/2, -z$ | $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | b a c d f e g  |
| $x, y, z+t$          | $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$        | a b c d e f g  |

# Symmetry-equivalent Wyckoff positions

## WYCKOFF SETS

### Additional Generators for the Normalizer of the Group 221 (*Pm-3m*)

Additional generators of Euclidean normalizer (*Im-3m*) a,b,c

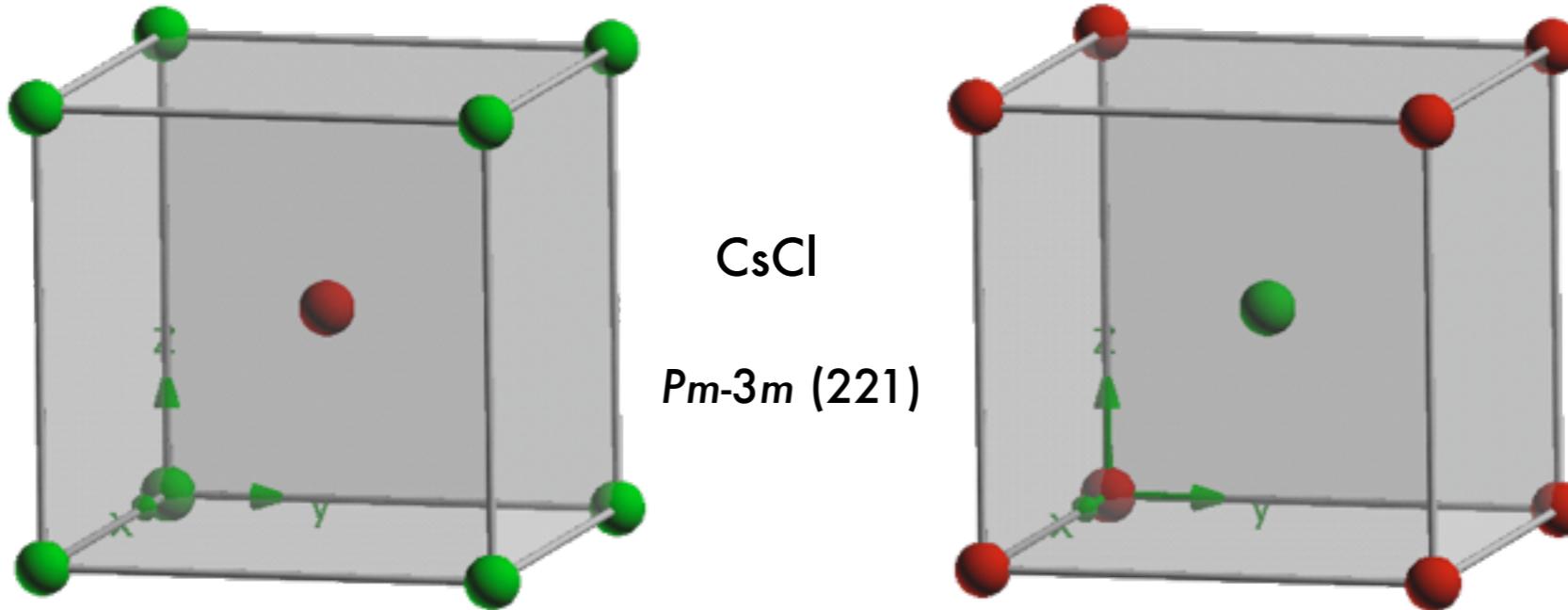
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| x+1/2,y+1/2,z+1/2 | [ 1 0 0 ] [ 1/2 ]<br>[ 0 1 0 ] [ 1/2 ]<br>[ 0 0 1 ] [ 1/2 ] |
|-------------------|---|

### Wyckoff Sets of Space Group 221 (*Pm-3m*)

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

| Letter | Mult | SS      | Rep.               | Equivalent Positions |
|--------|------|---------|--------------------|----------------------|
| n      | 48   | 1       | (x, y, z)          | n                    |
| m      | 24   | ..m     | (x, x, z)          | m                    |
| f      | 6    | 4m. m   | (x, 1/2 , 1/2 )    | ef                   |
| e      | 6    | 4m. m   | (x, 0, 0)          | ef                   |
| d      | 3    | 4/mm. m | (1/2 , 0, 0)       | cd                   |
| c      | 3    | 4/mm. m | (0, 1/2 , 1/2 )    | cd                   |
| b      | 1    | m-3m    | (1/2 , 1/2 , 1/2 ) | ab                   |
| a      | 1    | m-3m    | (0, 0, 0)          | ab                   |

# Equivalent descriptions of crystal structures



Normalizer operation:  $x+1/2, y+1/2, z+1/2$

$1a (0,0,0)$



$1b (1/2,1/2,1/2)$

$1b (1/2,1/2,1/2)$

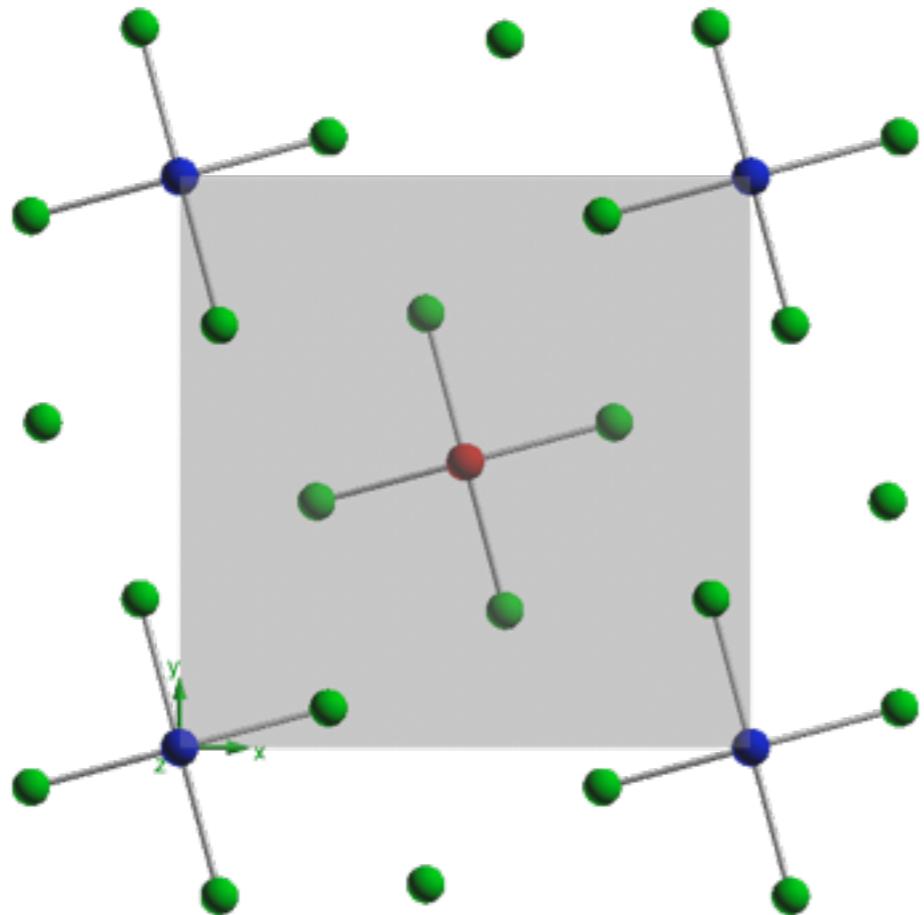


$1a (0,0,0)$

# Problem: EQUIVALENT DESCRIPTIONS

# EQUIVSTRU

## Example: WOBr<sub>4</sub>

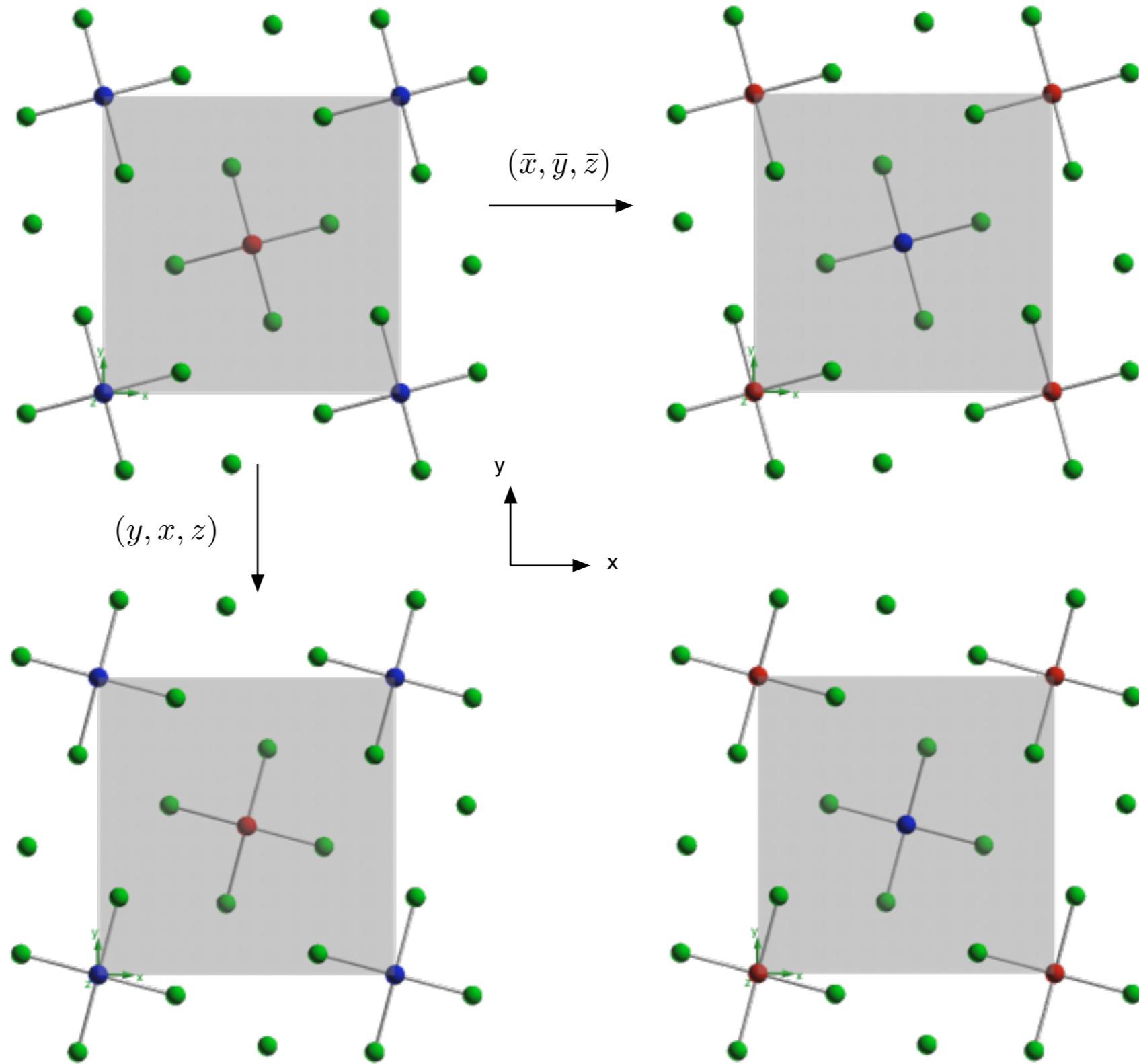


Space Group:  $I\bar{4}$

Euclidean Normalizer:  $P^1\bar{4}/mmm$

Index: 4

$$P\bar{4}/mmm = I\bar{4} + (\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})I\bar{4} + (y, x, z)I\bar{4} + (\bar{y}, \bar{x}, \bar{z})I\bar{4}$$

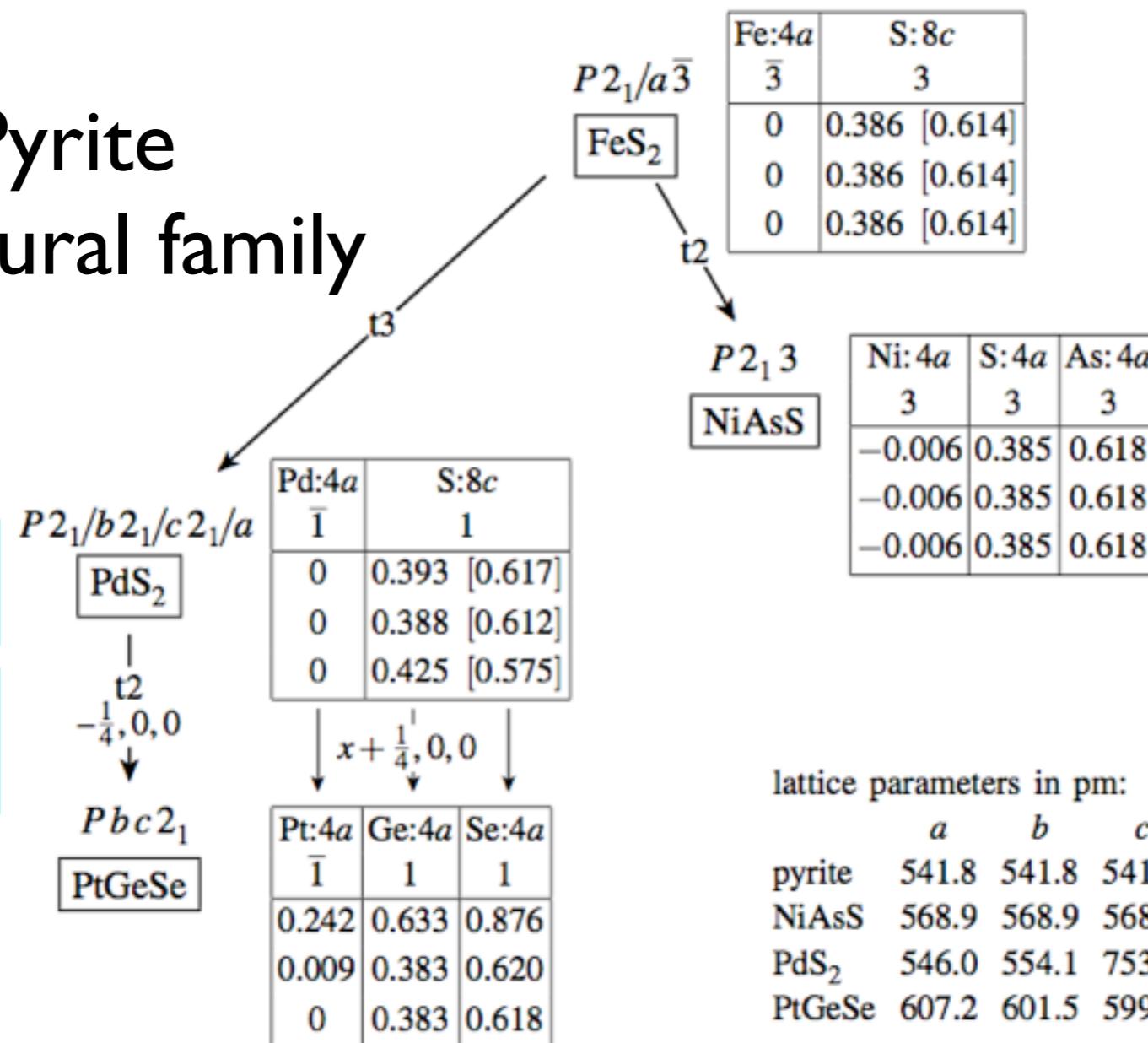
Example:  $\text{WOBr}_4$ 

Problem: Symmetry Relations  
between Crystal Structures  
Baernighausen Trees

Pyrite  
Structural family

Hettotypes

Derivative  
structures



lattice parameters in pm:

|                  | <i>a</i> | <i>b</i> | <i>c</i> | references |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|
| pyrite           | 541.8    | 541.8    | 541.8    | [32]       |
| NiAsS            | 568.9    | 568.9    | 568.9    | [33]       |
| PdS <sub>2</sub> | 546.0    | 554.1    | 753.1    | [34]       |
| PtGeSe           | 607.2    | 601.5    | 599.2    | [35]       |

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# Modul design of crystal symmetry relations

**Scheme of the general formulation of the smallest step of symmetry reduction connecting two related crystal structures**

Hermann–Mauguin symbol of the higher symmetric space group  $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow P6/m\bar{2}m\bar{2}m$

Symbol designating the higher →  
symmetric crystal structure, e.g. the  
chemical formula or mineral name

Type and index of the subgroup  $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow$

Basis transformation\* →

Origin shift\* →

Hermann–Mauguin symbol of the maximal subgroup  $\mathcal{H} \rightarrow P6_3/\bar{m}2\bar{m}2/c$

Symbol designating the lower →  
symmetric crystal structure

|         |               |
|---------|---------------|
| Al : 1a | B : 2d        |
| 6/mmm   | $\bar{6}m2$   |
| 0       | $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 0       | $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| 0       | $\frac{1}{2}$ |

Element symbol  
Wyckoff posit.  
site symmetry  
coordinates

$x, y, \frac{1}{2}z + \frac{1}{4}$

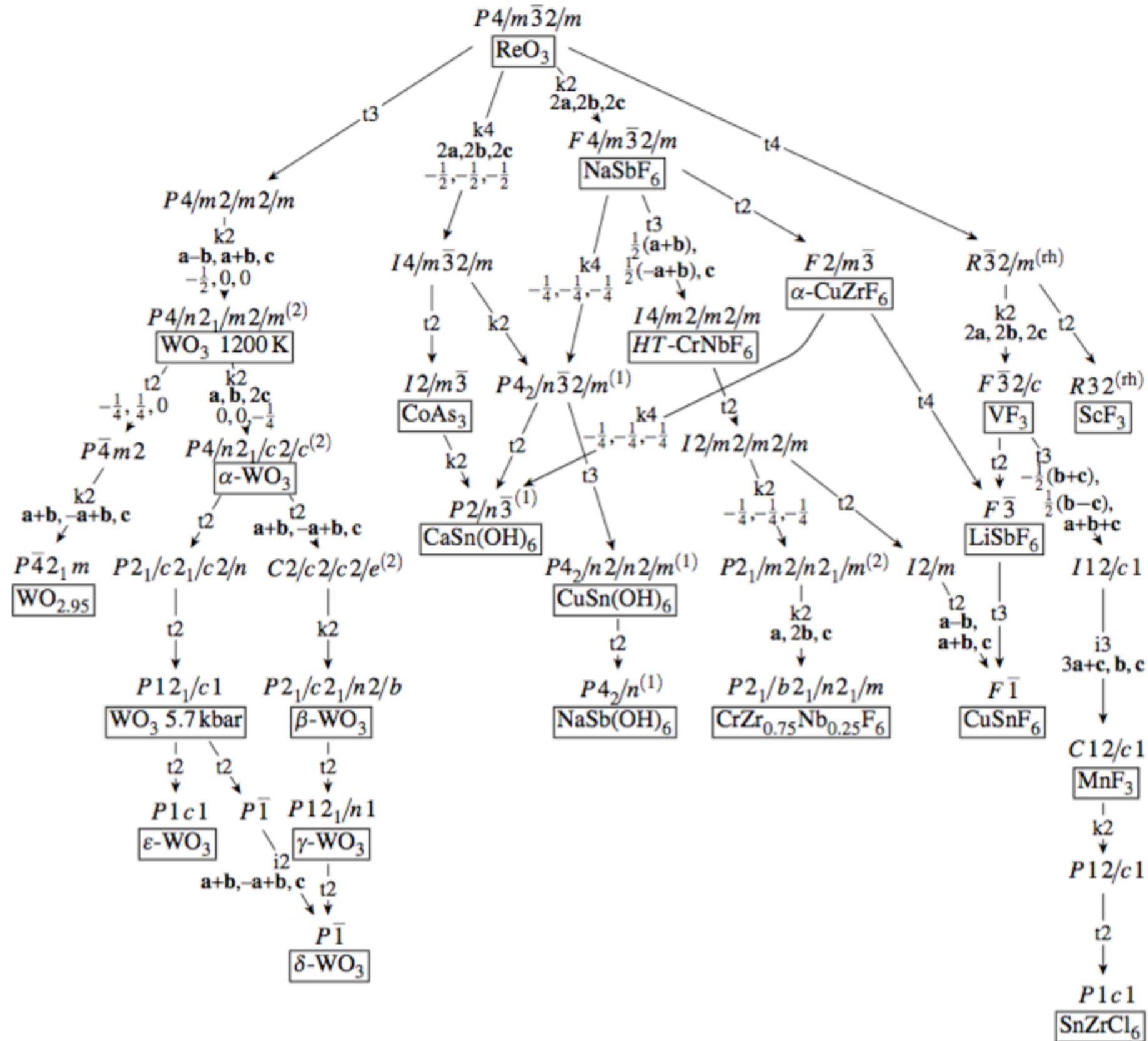
← coordinate  
transformations

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Ca : 2b       | In : 4f       |
| $\bar{6}m2$   | $3m$          |
| 0             | $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 0             | $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ | 0.455         |

Element symbol  
Wyckoff posit.  
site symmetry  
coordinates

\* mentioned only if there is a change

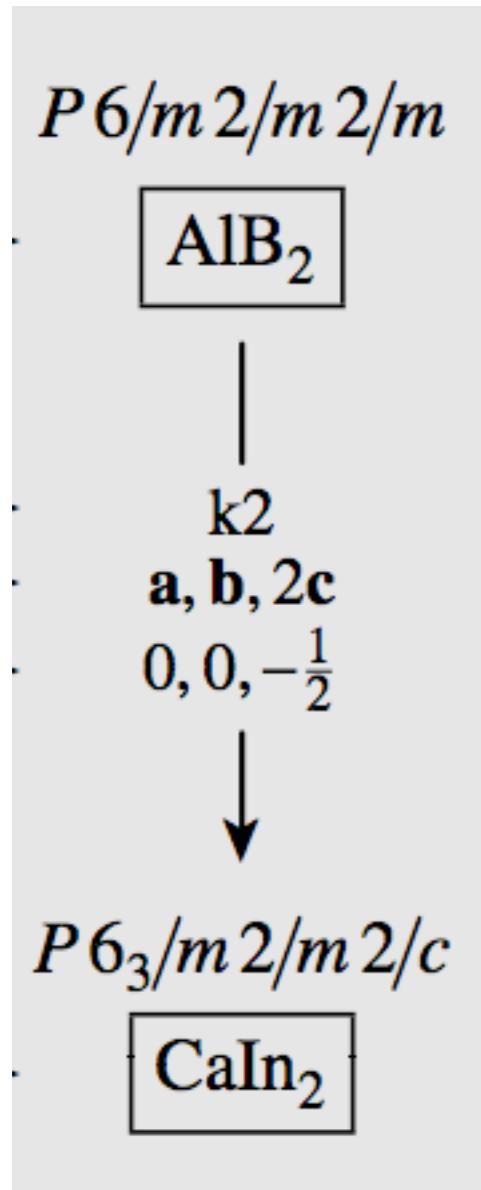
# Family tree of hettotypes of $\text{ReO}_3$



# Basic tools for structure symmetry relations

Baernighausen Trees

## Group-Subgroup relations



MAXSUB  
SUBGROUPGRAPH  
HERMANN

## Wyckoff-splitting schemes

|         |               |
|---------|---------------|
| Al : 1a | B : 2d        |
| $6/mmm$ | $\bar{6}m2$   |
| 0       | $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 0       | $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| 0       | $\frac{1}{2}$ |

$\downarrow$

$x, y, \frac{1}{2}z + \frac{1}{4}$

$\downarrow$

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Ca : 2b       | In : 4f       |
| $\bar{6}m2$   | $3m$          |
| 0             | $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 0             | $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ | 0.455         |

WYCKSPLIT

## Problem 6.1 Cristobalite phase transitions

At low temperatures, the space-group symmetry of cristobalite is given by the space group is  $P4_12_12$  (92) with lattice parameters  $a=4.9586\text{ \AA}$ ,  $c=6.9074\text{ \AA}$ . The four silicon atoms are located in Wyckoff position 4(a) ..2 with the coordinates  $x, x, 0; -x, -x, 1/2; 1/2-x, 1/2+x, 1/4; 1/2+x, 1/2-x, 3/4$ ,  $x = 0.3028$ .

During the phase transition, the tetragonal structure is transformed into a cubic one with space group  $Fd\bar{3}m$  (227),  $a=7.147\text{ \AA}$ . It is listed in the space-group tables with two different origins. If ‘Origin choice 2’ setting is used (with point symmetry  $-3m$  at the origin), then the silicon atoms occupy the position 8(a)  $-43m$  with the coordinates  $1/8, 1/8, 1/8; 7/8, 3/8, 3/8$  and those related by the face-centring translations.

Describe the structural distortion from the cubic to the tetragonal phase by the determination of (i) the displacements if the Si atoms in relative and absolute units, and (ii) the changes on the lattice parameters during the transition.

# Ferroelastic phase transition $\text{Pb}_3(\text{VO}_4)_2$

R-3m High-symmetry phase

5.67 5.67 20.38

symmetry reduction

(P,P)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2/3 & 0 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1 & -1 & : & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & : & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

P2<sub>1</sub>/c

7.54 5.67 9.82  $\beta=115.75$

affine transformation

7.51 5.67 9.51  $\beta=115.18$

P2<sub>1</sub>/c Low-symmetry phase

# Example: $\alpha$ -Cristobalite $\rightarrow$ $\beta$ -Cristobalite

2 entries selected.

CC=Collection Code: [AB2X4]=ANX Form: [cF56]=Pearson: [e d a]=Wyckoff Symbol: [Al2MgO4]=Structure Type:

**\*\*\*Click the ANX, Pearson or Wyckoff Symbol to find structures with that symbol\*\*\*.**

CC=44094      Details      Bonds      Pattern      Structure      Jmol

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| Title     | First-principles study of crystalline silica.  |
| Authors   | Feng Liu;Garofalini, H.;King-Smith, D.;Vanderbilt, D.  |
| Reference | <a href="#">Physical Review, Serie 3. B - Condensed Matter (1994) 49, 12528-12534</a><br><a href="#">Link XRef SCOPUS SCIRUS Google</a><br><a href="#">Also: Phase Transition (1992) 38, 127-220</a>   |
| Compound  | Si O <sub>2</sub> - [ <b>Cristobalite alpha</b> ] Silicon oxide - HT [ <b>AX2</b> ] [ <b>tp12</b> ] [ <b>b a</b> ] [ <b>TeO2(alpha)</b> ]  |
| Cell      | 4.9586, 4.9586, 6.9074, 90., 90., 90.<br><b>P41212 (92)</b> V=169.84   |
| Remarks   | MIN =Cristobalite alpha : PDC =01-089-3434 : PDF =39-1425<br>: THE TYP =TeO2(alpha) : XDS<br>At least one temperature factor missing in the paper.<br>No R value given in the paper.<br>Metastable up to 500 K (2nd ref. , Tomaszewski), above Fd3-m |

| Atom (site) Oxid. | x, y, z, B, Occupancy    |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Si1 (4a) 4        | 0.3028 0.3028 0 0 1      |
| O1 (8b) -2        | 0.2383 0.1093 0.1816 0 1 |

CC=44095      Details      Bonds      Pattern      Structure      Jmol

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|-----------|--|
| Title     | First-principles study of crystalline silica.  |
| Authors   | Feng Liu;Garofalini, H.;King-Smith, D.;Vanderbilt, D.  |
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| Compound  | Si O <sub>2</sub> - [ <b>Cristobalite beta</b> ] Silicon oxide - HT [ <b>AX2</b> ] [ <b>cF24</b> ] [ <b>h a</b> ] []   |
| Cell      | 7.147, 7.147, 7.147, 90., 90., 90.<br><b>FD3-MS (227)</b> V=365.07   |
| Remarks   | MIN =Cristobalite beta : PDC =01-089-3435 : PDF =4-359 :<br>THE XDS<br>At least one temperature factor missing in the paper.<br>The coordinates are those given in the paper but the atomic<br>distances do not agree with those calculated during testing.The<br>coordinates are probably correct.<br>No R value given in the paper.<br>Metastable above 500 K (2nd ref. , Tomaszewski), stable above<br>1743 K |

| Atom (site) Oxid. | x, y, z, B, Occupancy      |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Si1 (8a) 4        | 0 0 0 0 1                  |
| O1 (96h) -2       | 0.125 0.081 0.169 0 0.1667 |

Origin choice 2: Si 8a 1/8,1/8,1/8 7/8,3/8,3/8

## Problem 6.1

## SOLUTION

Symmetry break:  $Fd\text{-}3m \rightarrow P4_12_12$

$$a_t = 1/2(a_c - b_c), b_t = 1/2(a_c + b_c), c_t = c_c$$

origin shift:  $(-1/4, 0, 0)$

Experiment:

**Cubic phase:**

$$a = 7.147 \text{ \AA}$$

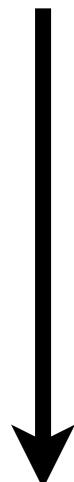
Si 8a  $1/8 1/8 1/8$   
 $7/8 3/8 3/8$

$(P, P)$

Calculated:

$$a = 5.053 \text{ \AA}, c = 7.147 \text{ \AA}$$

Si 8a  $0.25 0.25 0$



**Tetragonal phase:**

$$a = 4.9586 \text{ \AA}, c = 6.9074$$

Si 4a  $0.3028 0.3028 0$



affine deformation

atomic

displacements

## Problem 6.2

The coordinates of  $\text{CaF}_2$  are:  $\text{G}=\text{Fm}-3\text{m}$

Ca 4a  $m\bar{3}m$   $0, 0, 0$   $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0$   $\frac{1}{2}, 0 \frac{1}{2}$   $0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$

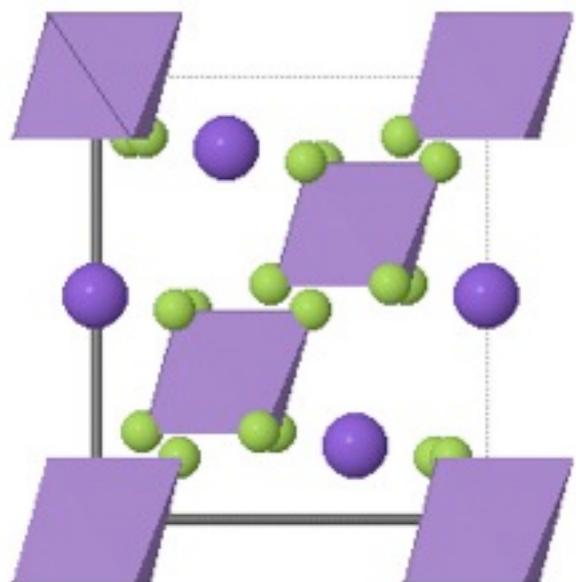
F 8c  $\bar{4}3m$   $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$   
 $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$

$$(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}), \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}), \mathbf{c}; -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}$$

# EXERCISES

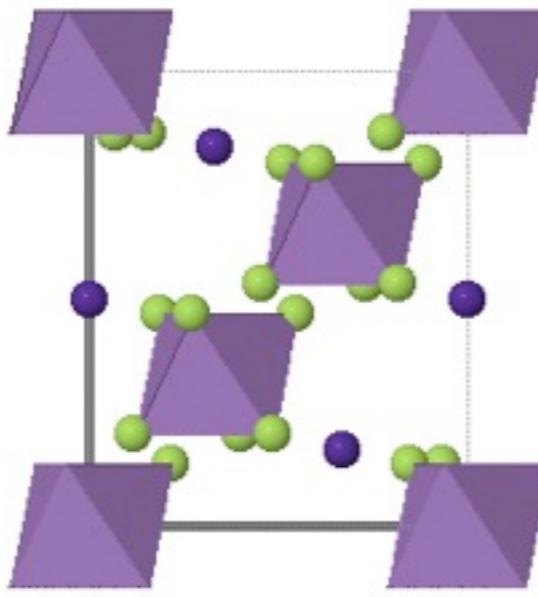
# Problem 6.3

$\text{KAsF}_6$



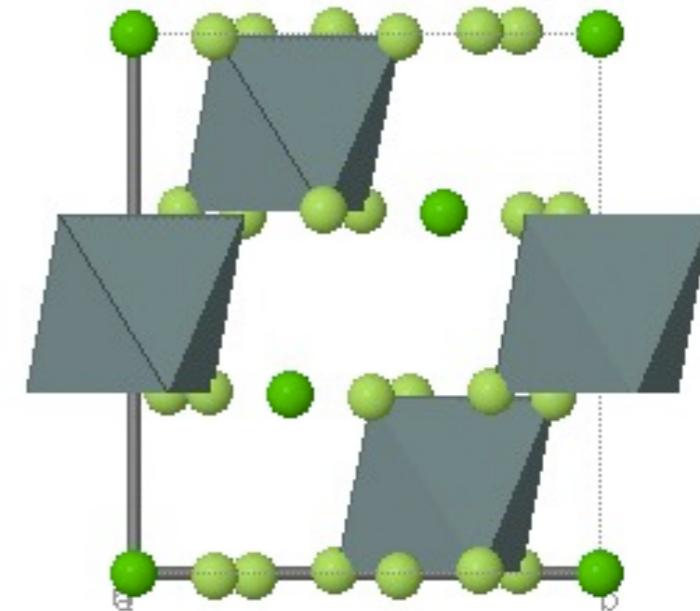
|     |        |        |        |        |         |         |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| 148 | 7.3480 | 7.3480 | 7.2740 | 90.00  | 90.00   | 120.00  |
| 3   | K      | 1      | 3b     | 0.3333 | 0.66666 | 0.16667 |
| As  | 1      | 3a     | 0 0 0  |        |         |         |
| F   | 1      | 18f    | 0.1292 | 0.2165 | 0.1381  |         |

$\text{CsSbF}_6$



|     |        |        |         |           |        |        |
|-----|--------|--------|---------|-----------|--------|--------|
| 148 | 7.9040 | 7.9040 | 8.2610  | 90.00     | 90.00  | 120.00 |
| 3   | Cs     | 1      | 3b      | 0. 0. 0.5 |        |        |
| Sb  | 1      | 3a     | 0 0 0   |           |        |        |
| F   | 1      | 18f    | 0.06562 | 0.2158    | 0.1337 |        |

$\text{BaSnF}_6$



|     |        |        |         |           |        |        |
|-----|--------|--------|---------|-----------|--------|--------|
| 148 | 7.4279 | 7.4279 | 7.4180  | 90.00     | 90.00  | 120.00 |
| 3   | Ba     | 1      | 3a      | 0. 0. 0.0 |        |        |
| Sn  | 1      | 3b     | 0 0 0.5 |           |        |        |
| F   | 1      | 18f    | 0.2586  | 0.8262    | 0.0047 |        |

Maximum distance  $\Delta$ : 0.4657

No pairing found for tolerance: 2

Space-group symmetry: R-3

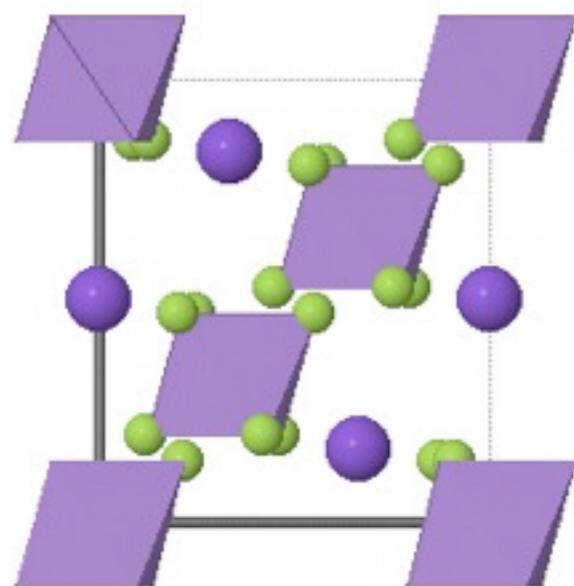
Euclidean normalizer: R-3m(-a,-b, 1/2c)

Coset representatives:  $x,y,z; x,y,z + 1/2;$

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

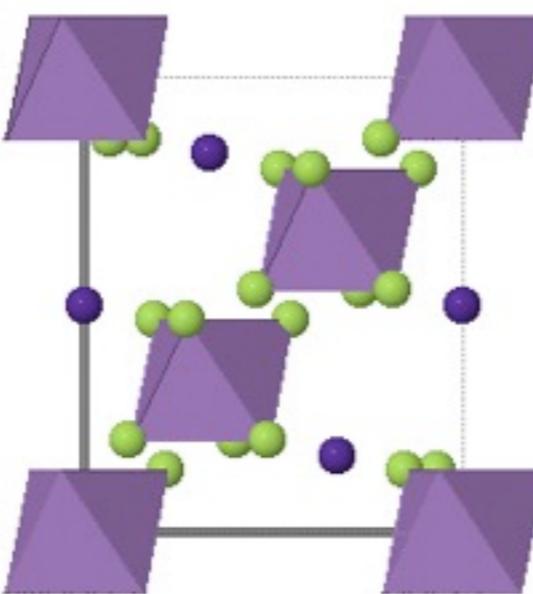
# SOLUTION

KAsF<sub>6</sub>



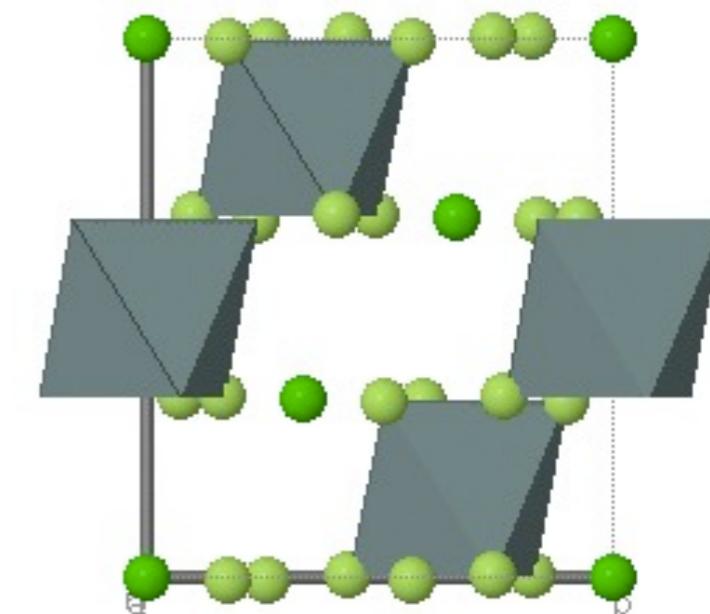
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|----|-----|--------|--------|---------|---------|-------|--------|
| K  | 1   | 3b     | 0.3333 | 0.66666 | 0.16667 |       |        |
| As | 1   | 3a     | 0      | 0       | 0       |       |        |
| F  | 1   | 18f    | 0.1292 | 0.2165  | 0.1381  |       |        |

CsSbF<sub>6</sub>



|    | 148 | 7.9040 | 7.9040  | 8.2610 | 90.00  | 90.00 | 120.00 |
|----|-----|--------|---------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Cs | 1   | 3b     | 0.      | 0.     | 0.5    |       |        |
| Sb | 1   | 3a     | 0       | 0      | 0      |       |        |
| F  | 1   | 18f    | 0.06562 | 0.2158 | 0.1337 |       |        |

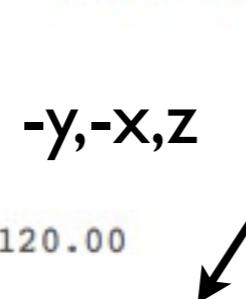
BaSnF<sub>6</sub>



|    | 148 | 7.4279 | 7.4279 | 7.4180 | 90.00  | 90.00 | 120.00 |
|----|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Ba | 1   | 3a     | 0.     | 0.     | 0.0    |       |        |
| Sn | 1   | 3b     | 0      | 0      | 0.5    |       |        |
| F  | 1   | 18f    | 0.2586 | 0.8262 | 0.0047 |       |        |

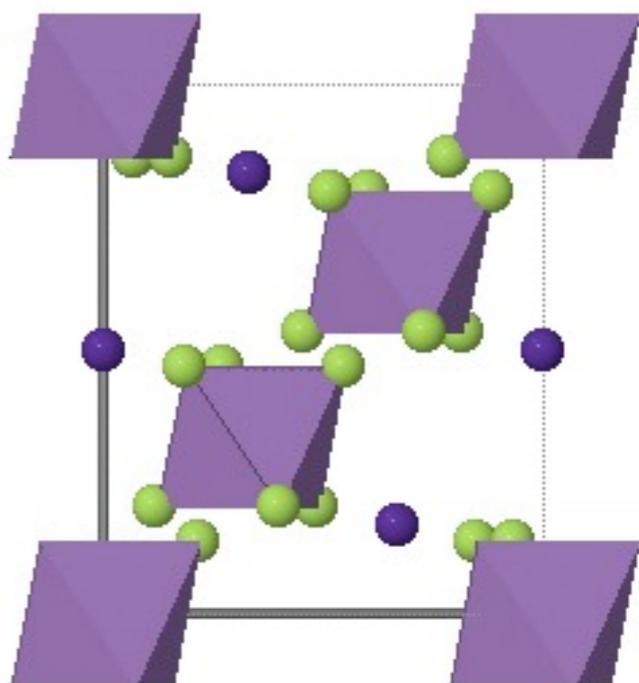
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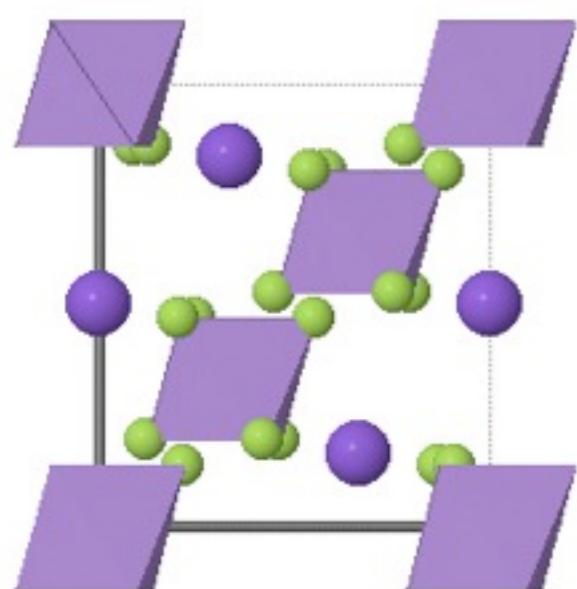


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|----|-----|--------|----------|----------|----------|-------|--------|
| Cs | 1   | 3b     | 0.       | 0.       | 0.5      |       |        |
| Sb | 1   | 3a     | 0        | 0        | 0        |       |        |
| F  | 1   | 18f    | 0.150180 | 0.215800 | 0.133700 |       |        |

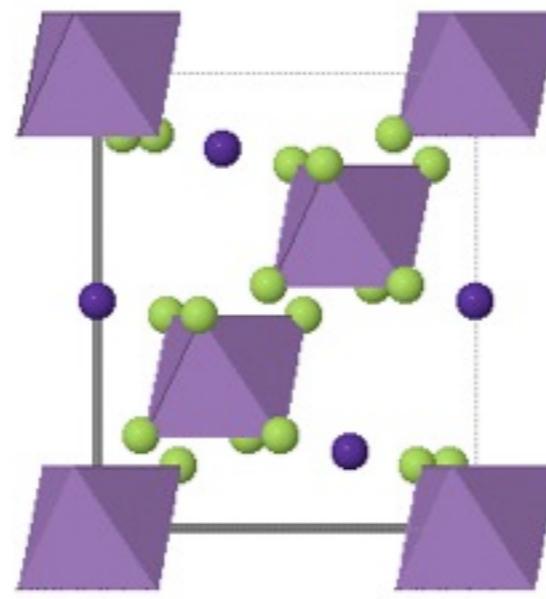
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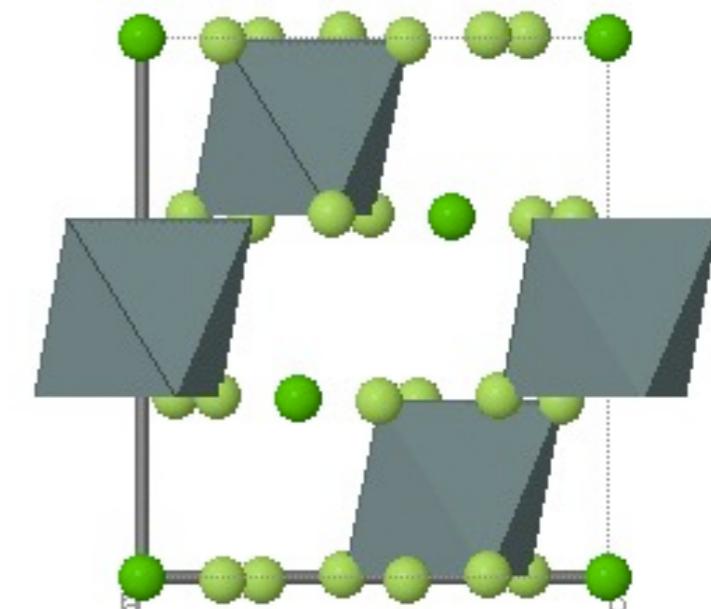
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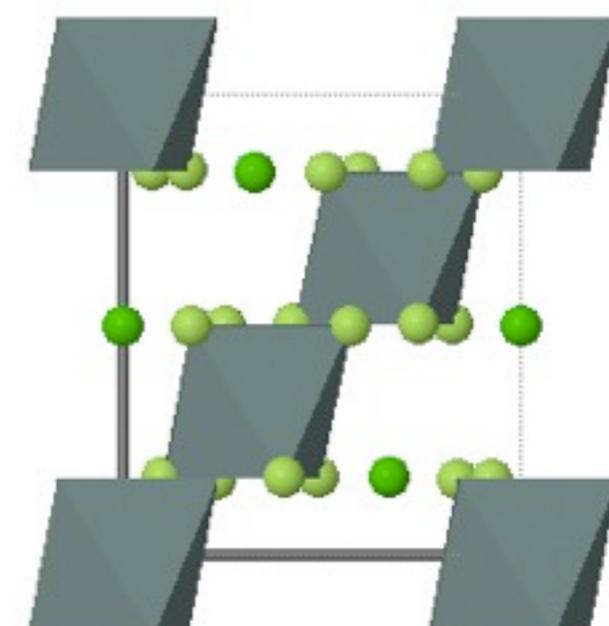
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No pairing found for tolerance: 2

x,y,z+1/2

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Maximum distance Δ: 0.2603



## EXERCISES

### Problem 6.4

Equivalent structure descriptions

Space group: P4/n

**Exercise 6.4.**  $P(C_6C_5)_4[MoNCl_4]$  is tetragonal, spac

| Atom | Wyckoff position | Coordinate | triplets |          |
|------|------------------|------------|----------|----------|
|      |                  | <i>x</i>   | <i>y</i> | <i>z</i> |
| P    | 2 <i>b</i>       | 0.25       | 0.75     | 0        |
| Mo   | 2 <i>c</i>       | 0.25       | 0.25     | 0.121    |
| N    | 2 <i>c</i>       | 0.25       | 0.25     | -0.093   |
| C1   | 8 <i>g</i>       | 0.362      | 0.760    | 0.141    |
| C2   | 8 <i>g</i>       | 0.437      | 0.836    | 0.117    |
| Cl   | 8 <i>g</i>       | 0.400      | 0.347    | 0.191    |

$$N(P4/n) = P4/mmm \ (a', b', l/2c)$$

$$a' = l/2(a-b), b' = l/2(a+b)$$

# **ADDITIONAL**

# Ferroelastic phase transition $\text{Pb}_3(\text{VO}_4)_2$

R-3m High-symmetry phase

5.67 5.67 20.38

symmetry reduction

(P,P)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2/3 & 0 & -2 & : & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1 & -1 & : & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & : & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

P2<sub>1</sub>/c

7.54 5.67 9.82  $\beta=115.75$

affine transformation

P2<sub>1</sub>/c Low-symmetry phase

7.51 5.67 9.51  $\beta=115.18$

**Problem: LATTICE DISTORTION**

**CELLTRAN STRAIN**

**Example: Ferroelastic phase transition  $\text{Pb}_3(\text{VO}_4)_2$**

**High-symmetry phase**

R-3m

5.67 5.67 20.38  
90 90 120

**Low-symmetry phase**

P2<sub>1</sub>/c

7.51 5.67 9.51  
 $\beta=115.18$

**CELLTRAN**

$1/3(2a+b+c), b, -2a-b$

**STRAIN**

Degree of  
lattice distortion

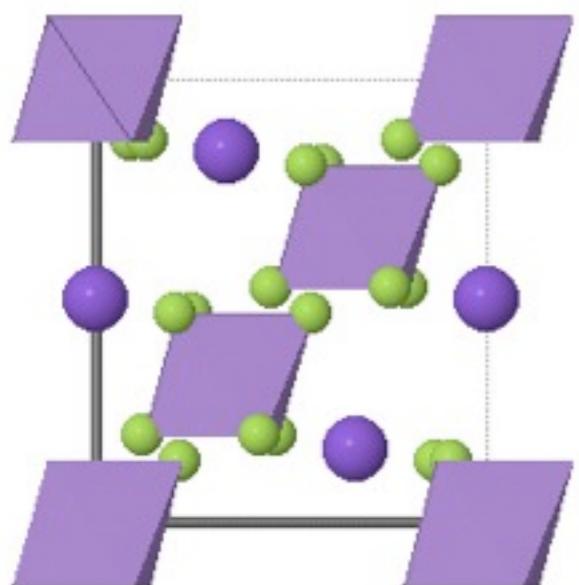
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 $\beta=115.75$

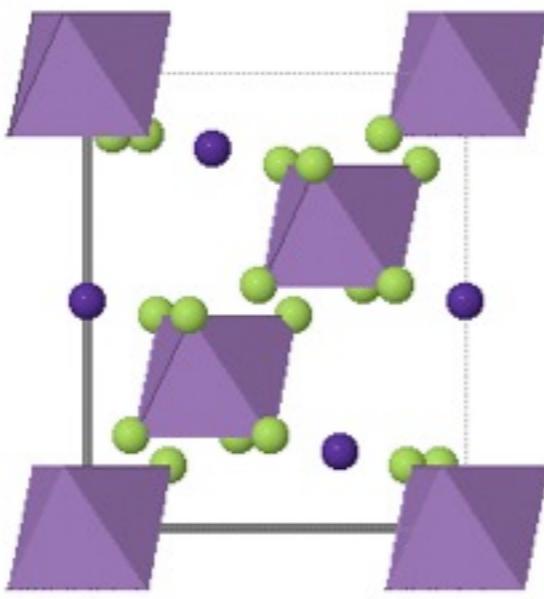
# Problem:

# STRUCTURE TYPES

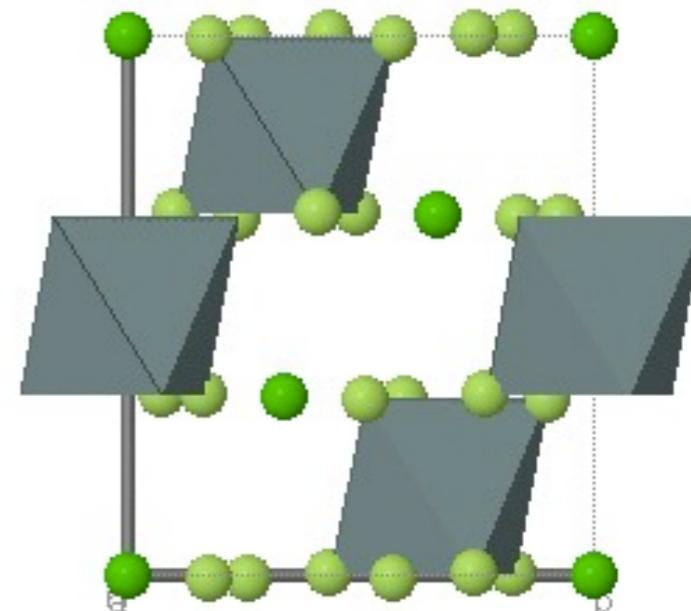
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Maximum distance  $\Delta$ : 0.4657

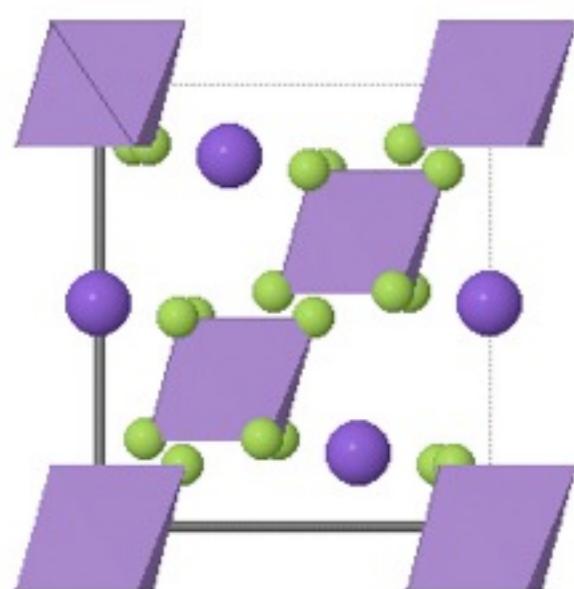
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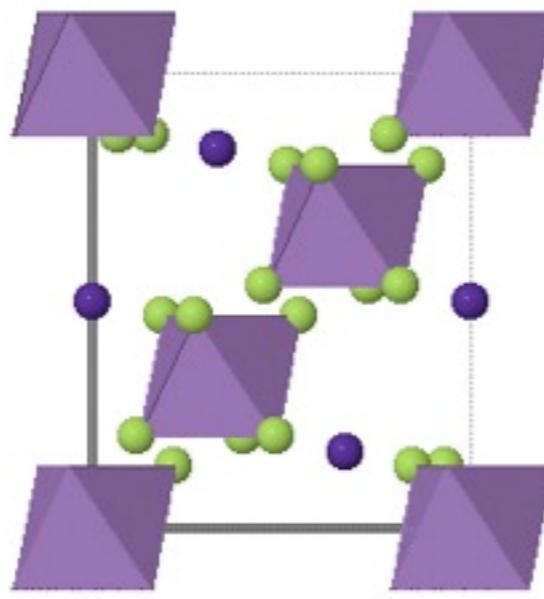
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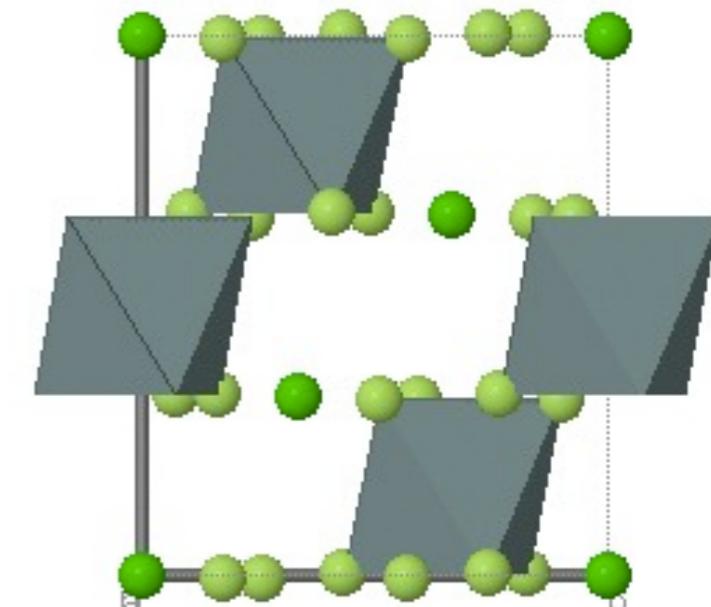
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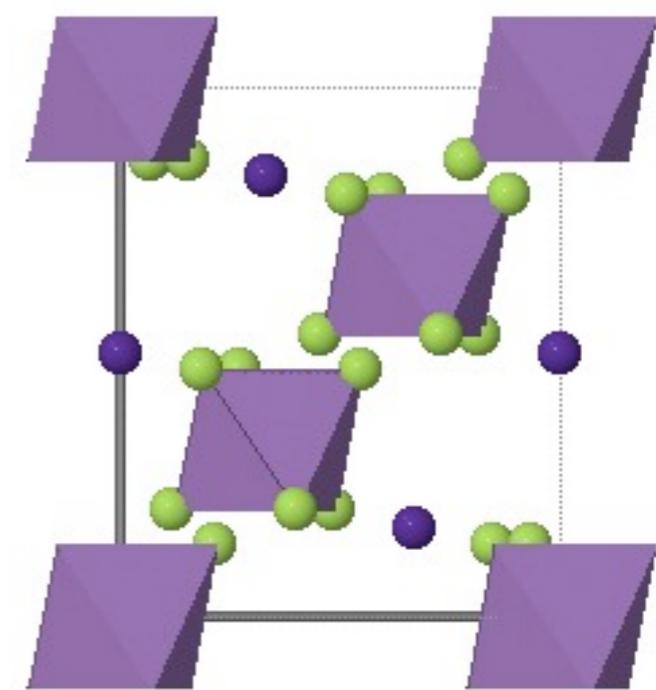
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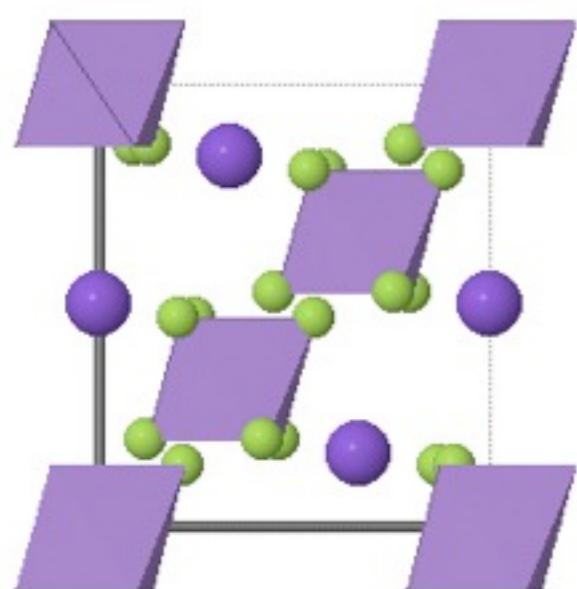
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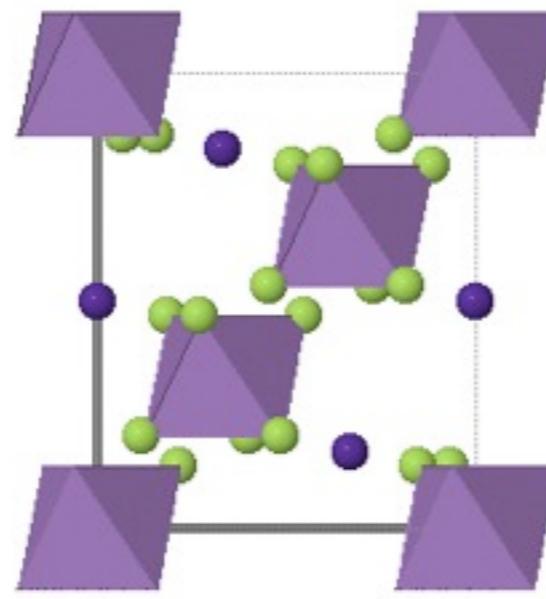
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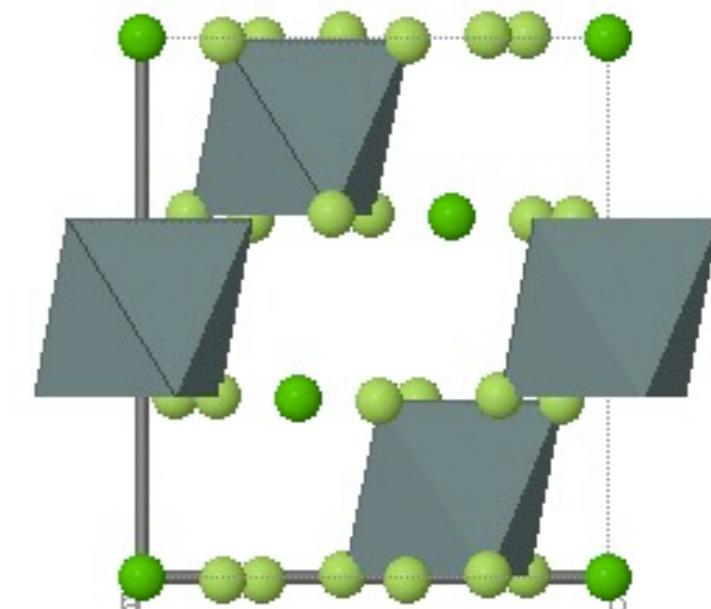
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