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SYMMETRY DATABASES OF THE BILBAO CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC SERVER

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SYMMETRY DATABASES

Symmetry operations – matrix-column representation

Symmetry operations – geometric interpretation

General and special Wyckoff positions and site-symmetry



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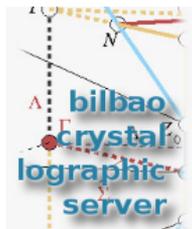


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Bilbao Crystallographic Server
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News:

- **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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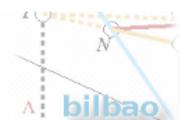
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Normalizers of Space Groups

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The k-vector types and Brillouin zones of Space Groups

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Geometric interpretation of matrix column representations of symmetry operations

IDENTIFY GROUP

Identification of a Space Group from a set of generators in an arbitrary setting

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Group-subgroup relations

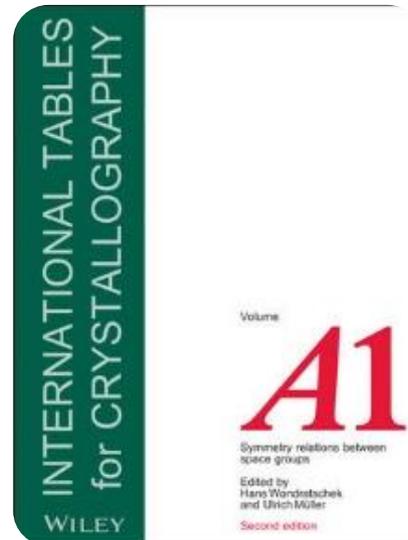
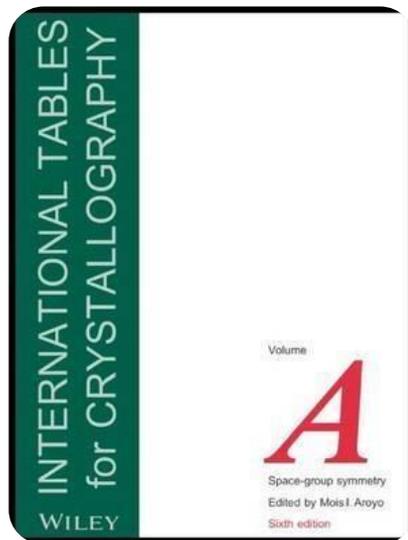
Structural utilities

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Crystallographic databases

GENERAL LAYOUT: LEFT-HAND PAGE

$P4mm$

No. 99

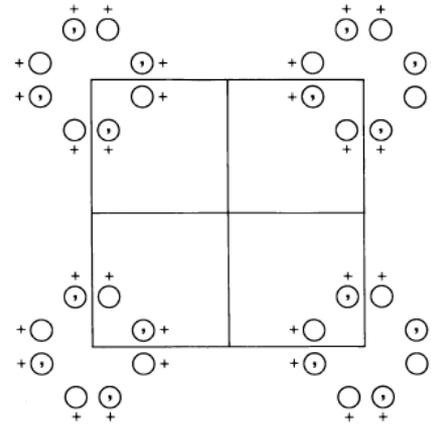
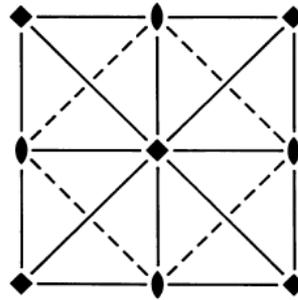
C_{4v}^1

$P4mm$

$4mm$

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 ⁺ $0,0,z$ | (4) 4 ⁻ $0,0,z$ |
| (5) m $x,0,z$ | (6) m $0,y,z$ | (7) m x,\bar{x},z | (8) m x,x,z |

SYMMETRY OPERATIONS



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

GENPOS

8	<i>g</i>	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
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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>	$2mm.$	$\frac{1}{2}, 0, z$	$0, \frac{1}{2}, z$		
1	<i>b</i>	$4mm$	$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, z$			
1	<i>a</i>	$4mm$	$0, 0, z$			

WYCKPOS

HKLCDND

Reflection conditions

General:

no conditions

Special:

no extra conditions

no extra conditions

no extra conditions

$hkl : h + k = 2n$

no extra conditions

no extra conditions

Symmetry of special projections

Along [001] $p4mm$
 $a' = a$ $b' = b$
Origin at 0, 0, z

Along [100] $p1m1$
 $a' = b$ $b' = c$
Origin at x, 0, 0

Along [110] $p1m1$
 $a' = \frac{1}{2}(-a + b)$ $b' = c$
Origin at x, x, 0

Maximal non-isomorphic subgroups

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

IIa none

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MAXSUB

Maximal isomorphic subgroups of lowest index

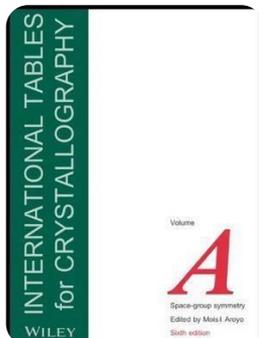
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SERIES

Minimal non-isomorphic supergroups

- I [2] $P4/mmm$ (123); [2] $P4/nmm$ (129)
- II [2] $I4mm$ (107)

MINSUP



$P4mm$

C_{4v}^1

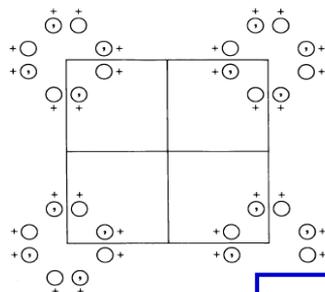
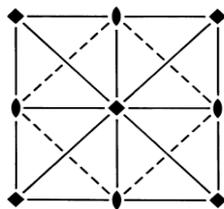
$4mm$

Tetragonal

No. 99

$P4mm$

Patterson symmetry $P4/mmm$



Origin on $4mm$

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Symmetry operations

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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	$4mm$	$0, 0, z$			

WYCKPOS

HKLCD

Reflection conditions

General:

no conditions

Special:

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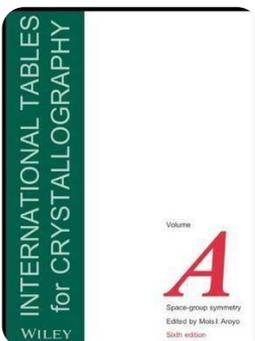
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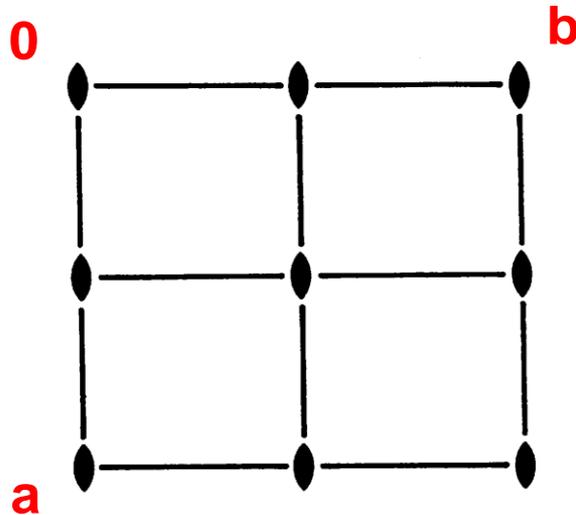
SYMMETRY OPERATIONS

MATRIX-COLUMN REPRESENTATION

Symmetry operations

Example: Pmm2

Diagram of symmetry elements



4 i 1 (1) x, y, z (2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z (3) x, \bar{y}, z (4) \bar{x}, y, z

	Coordinates	General positions	
T_G	$T_G 2$	$T_G m_y$	$T_G m_x$
(1,0)	(2,0)	($m_y, 0$)	($m_x, 0$)
(1, t_1)	(2, t_1)	(m_y, t_1)	(m_x, t_1)
(1, t_2)	(2, t_2)	(m_y, t_2)	(m_x, t_2)
...
(1, t_j)	(2, t_j)	(m_y, t_j)	(m_x, t_j)
...

Symmetry operations

(1) 1 (2) 2 $0, 0, z$ (3) m $x, 0, z$ (4) m $0, y, z$

Symmetry operations

$Pmm2$

No. 25

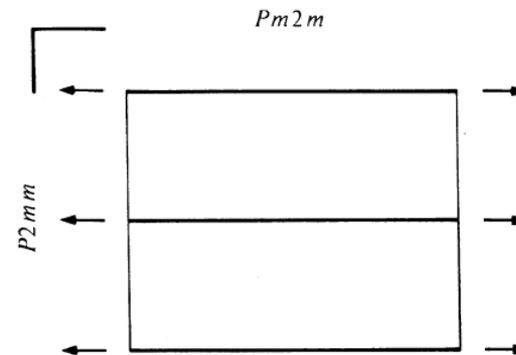
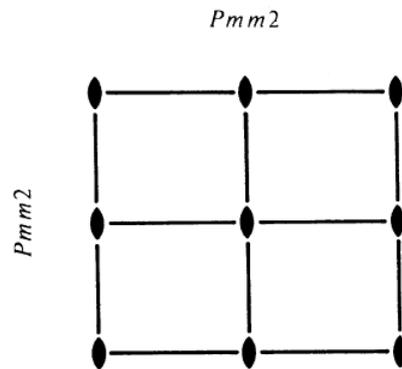
C_{2v}^1

$Pmm2$

$mm2$

Orthorhombic

Patterson symmetry $Pmmm$



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Positions

Multiplicity,
Wyckoff letter,
Site symmetry

Coordinates

4	<i>i</i>	1	(1) x,y,z	(2) \bar{x},\bar{y},z	(3) x,\bar{y},z	(4) \bar{x},y,z
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Symmetry operations

(1) 1	(2) 2 $0,0,z$	(3) m $x,0,z$	(4) m $0,y,z$
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**Matrix-column
presentation**

**Geometric
interpretation**

Generators and General positions

GENPOS

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Generators and General Positions

Space group
number

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Generators and General positions

Table of Space Group Symbols

No space group has been selected by now.

Click over the group name to see the group generators/general positions

The program you want to use works ONLY with the default choice for the group setting

1	<i>P1</i>	2	<i>P-1</i>	3	<i>P2</i>	4	<i>P2₁</i>	5	<i>C2</i>
6	<i>Pm</i>	7	<i>Pc</i>	8	<i>Cm</i>	9	<i>Cc</i>	10	<i>P2/m</i>
11	<i>P2₁/m</i>	12	<i>C2/m</i>	13	<i>P2/c</i>	14	<i>P2₁/c</i>	15	<i>C2/c</i>
16	<i>P222</i>	17	<i>P222₁</i>	18	<i>P2₁2₁2</i>	19	<i>P2₁2₁2₁</i>	20	<i>C222₁</i>
21	<i>C222</i>	22	<i>F222</i>	23	<i>I222</i>	24	<i>I2₁2₁2₁</i>	25	<i>Pmm2</i>
26	<i>Pmc2₁</i>	27	<i>Pcc2</i>	28	<i>Pma2</i>	29	<i>Pca2₁</i>	30	<i>Pnc2</i>
31	<i>Pmn2₁</i>	32	<i>Pba2</i>	33	<i>Pna2₁</i>	34	<i>Pnn2</i>	35	<i>Cmm2</i>
36	<i>Cmc2₁</i>	37	<i>Ccc2</i>	38	<i>Amm2</i>	39	<i>Aem2</i>	40	<i>Ama2</i>
41	<i>Aea2</i>	42	<i>Fmm2</i>	43	<i>Fdd2</i>	44	<i>Imm2</i>	45	<i>Iba2</i>
46	<i>Ima2</i>	47	<i>Pmmm</i>	48	<i>Pnnn</i>	49	<i>Pccm</i>	50	<i>Pban</i>
51	<i>Pmma</i>	52	<i>Pnna</i>	53	<i>Pmna</i>	54	<i>Pcca</i>	55	<i>Pbam</i>
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Generators only

All General Positions

Standard/Default Setting

Non Conventional Setting

ITA Settings

Standard (default) Choices for the Space Group Settings

The default choices for the standard (default) settings of the space groups are:

- *unique axis b (cell choice 1)* for space groups within the monoclinic system.
- obverse triple hexagonal unit cell for R space groups.
- the *origin choice two* - inversion center at (0,0,0) - for the centrosymmetric space groups for which there are two origin choices, within the orthorhombic, tetragonal and cubic systems.

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Show:

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All General Positions

Standard/Default Setting

Non Conventional Setting

ITA Settings

General Positions of the Group *Pba2* (No. 32) in Non Conventional Setting

Please, enter the transformation:

Linear part

Origin shift

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Change the basis

Generators and General positions

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Generators and General Positions

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Non Conventional Setting

ITA Settings

ITA-Settings for the Space Group 32

Note: The transformation matrices must be read by columns. **P** is the transformation from standard to the ITA-setting.

$$(a, b, c)_n = (a, b, c)_s P$$

ITA number	Setting	P	P ⁻¹
32	<i>P b a 2</i>	a,b,c	a,b,c
32	<i>P 2 c b</i>	c,a,b	b,c,a
32	<i>P c 2 a</i>	b,c,a	c,a,b

Example GENPOS: Space group Pba2 (No. 32)

Space-group symmetry operations

short hand notation

matrix-column representation

$$\begin{pmatrix} W_{11} & W_{12} & W_{13} \\ W_{21} & W_{22} & W_{23} \\ W_{31} & W_{32} & W_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Geometric interpretation

Seitz symbols

General positions

4 c 1 (1) x, y, z

(2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z

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

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

Symmetry operations

(1) 1 (2) 2 0,0,z

(3) a $x, \frac{1}{4}, z$

(4) b $\frac{1}{4}, y, z$

General Positions of the Group Pba2 (No. 32)

[Click here to get the general positions in text format](#)

No.	(x,y,z) form	Matrix form	Symmetry operation	
			ITA	Seitz ?
1	x, y, z	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	1	{ 1 0 }
2	$-x, -y, z$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	2 0,0,z	{ 2 ₀₀₁ 0 }
3	$x+1/2, -y+1/2, z$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	a $x, 1/4, z$	{ m ₀₁₀ 1/2 1/2 0 }
4	$-x+1/2, y+1/2, z$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	b $1/4, y, z$	{ m ₁₀₀ 1/2 1/2 0 }

ITA data

Seitz Symbol for Symmetry Operations

Seitz symbols { **R** | **t** }

short-hand descriptions of the matrix-column presentations of the symmetry operations of the space groups

- rotation part **R**

specify the type and the order of the symmetry operation
orientation of the symmetry element by the direction of the axis for rotations and rotoinversions, or the direction of the normal to reflection planes

1 and $\bar{1}$

identity and inversion

m

reflections

2, 3, 4 and 6

rotations

$\bar{3}$, $\bar{4}$ and $\bar{6}$

rotoinversions

- translation part **t**

Translation parts of the coordinate triplets of the *General position* block

Seitz symbols for Symmetry Operations

$P2_1/c$

No. 14

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

Positions

Multiplicity,
Wyckoff letter,
Site symmetry

Coordinates

(1) x, y, z (2) $\bar{x}, y + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$ (3) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$ (4) $x, \bar{y} + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$

The geometric descriptions given in the Symmetry Operations block in ITA are:

(1) 1 (2) $2(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0) 0, y, \frac{1}{4}$ (3) $\bar{1} 0, 0, 0$ (4) $c x, \frac{1}{4}, z$

The Seitz notation are given as

(1) $\{1|0\}$ (2) $\{2_{010}|0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\}$ (3) $\{\bar{1}|0\}$ (4) $\{m_{010}|0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\}$

Seitz Symbol for Symmetry Operations

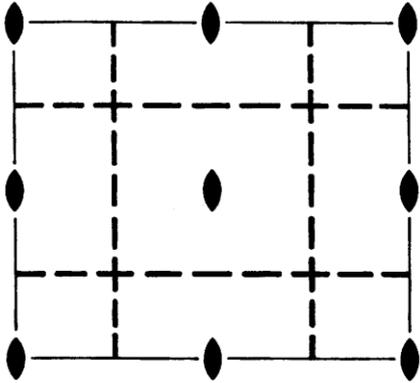
Example

Seitz symbols for symmetry operations of rhombohedral, hexagonal and trigonal crystal systems

ITA description				Seitz symbol
No.	Coordinate triplet	Type	Orientation	
1	x, y, z	1		1
2	z, x, y	3^+	x, x, x	3_{111}^+
3	y, z, x	3^-	x, x, x	3_{111}^-
4	$\bar{z}, \bar{y}, \bar{x}$	2	$\bar{x}, 0, x$	$2_{\bar{1}01}$
5	$\bar{y}, \bar{x}, \bar{z}$	2	$x, \bar{x}, 0$	$2_{\bar{1}\bar{1}0}$
6	$\bar{x}, \bar{z}, \bar{y}$	2	$0, y, \bar{y}$	$2_{0\bar{1}\bar{1}}$
7	$\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$	$\bar{1}$		$\bar{1}$
8	$\bar{z}, \bar{x}, \bar{y}$	$\bar{3}^+$	x, x, x	$\bar{3}_{111}^+$
9	$\bar{y}, \bar{z}, \bar{x}$	$\bar{3}^-$	x, x, x	$\bar{3}_{111}^-$
10	z, y, x	m	x, y, x	$m_{\bar{1}01}$
11	y, x, z	m	x, x, z	$m_{1\bar{1}0}$
12	x, z, y	m	x, y, y	$m_{0\bar{1}\bar{1}}$

ITA description				Seitz symbol
No.	Coordinate triplet	Type	Orientation	
1	x, y, z	1		1
2	$\bar{y}, x - y, z$	3^+	$0, 0, z$	3_{001}^+
3	$\bar{x} + y, \bar{x}, z$	3^-	$0, 0, z$	3_{001}^-
4	\bar{x}, \bar{y}, z	2	$0, 0, z$	2_{001}
5	$y, \bar{x} + y, z$	6^-	$0, 0, z$	6_{001}^-
6	$x - y, x, z$	6^+	$0, 0, z$	6_{001}^+
7	y, x, \bar{z}	2	$x, x, 0$	2_{110}
8	$x - y, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$	2	$x, 0, 0$	2_{100}
9	$\bar{x}, \bar{x} + y, \bar{z}$	2	$0, y, 0$	2_{010}
10	$\bar{y}, \bar{x}, \bar{z}$	2	$x, \bar{x}, 0$	$2_{\bar{1}\bar{1}0}$
11	$\bar{x} + y, y, \bar{z}$	2	$x, 2x, 0$	2_{120}
12	$x, x - y, \bar{z}$	2	$2x, x, 0$	2_{210}
13	$\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$	$\bar{1}$		$\bar{1}$
14	$y, \bar{x} + y, \bar{z}$	$\bar{3}^+$	$0, 0, z$	$\bar{3}_{001}^+$
15	$x - y, x, \bar{z}$	$\bar{3}^-$	$0, 0, z$	$\bar{3}_{001}^-$
16	x, y, \bar{z}	m	$x, y, 0$	m_{001}
17	$\bar{y}, x - y, \bar{z}$	$\bar{6}^-$	$0, 0, z$	$\bar{6}_{001}^-$
18	$\bar{x} + y, \bar{x}, \bar{z}$	$\bar{6}^+$	$0, 0, z$	$\bar{6}_{001}^+$
19	\bar{y}, \bar{x}, z	m	x, \bar{x}, z	m_{110}
20	$\bar{x} + y, y, z$	m	$x, 2x, z$	m_{100}
21	$x, x - y, z$	m	$2x, x, z$	m_{010}
22	y, x, z	m	x, x, z	$m_{1\bar{1}0}$
23	$x - y, \bar{y}, z$	m	$x, 0, z$	m_{120}
24	$\bar{x}, \bar{x} + y, z$	m	$0, y, z$	m_{210}

Example: Space group $Pba2$ (No. 32)



$Pba2$

No. 32

C_{2v}^8

$Pba2$

$mm2$

Orthorhombic

Patterson symmetry $Pmmm$

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

Positions

Multiplicity,
Wyckoff letter,
Site symmetry

Coordinates

**Matrix-column
presentation**

4 c 1 (1) x, y, z (2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z (3) $x + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y} + \frac{1}{2}, z$ (4) $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, z$

**Geometric
interpretation**

Symmetry operations

(1) 1 (2) 2 $0, 0, z$ (3) a $x, \frac{1}{4}, z$ (4) b $\frac{1}{4}, y, z$

Seitz symbols

(1) $\{ 1 | 0 \}$ (2) $\{ 2_{001} | 0 \}$ (3) $\{ m_{010} | 1/2 \ 1/2 \ 0 \}$ (4) $\{ m_{100} | 1/2 \ 1/2 \ 0 \}$

SYMMETRY OPERATIONS

GEOMETRIC INTERPRETATION

Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

Rotational part (W)

1. Type of isometry

	$\det(\mathbf{W}) = +1$	$\det(\mathbf{W}) = -1$
$\text{tr}(\mathbf{W})$	3 2 1 0 -1	-3 -2 -1 0 1
type	1 6 4 3 2	$\bar{1} \quad \bar{6} \quad \bar{4} \quad \bar{3} \quad \bar{2} = m$
order	1 6 4 3 2	2 6 4 6 2

2. Axis or normal direction \mathbf{u} $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{u} = \pm\mathbf{u}$

2.1 Rotations $\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{W}) = \mathbf{W}^{n-1} + \mathbf{W}^{n-2} + \dots + \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I}$

2.2 Rotoinversions $\mathbf{Y}(-\mathbf{W})$

2.3 Reflections $\mathbf{Y}(-\mathbf{W}) = -\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I}$

3. Sense of rotation $\mathbf{Z} = [\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{x}|\det(\mathbf{W})\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{x}]$

Geometrical Interpretation of (W, w)

Translational part (w)

4. Intrinsic translation

4.1 Screw vector $\mathbf{w}_g = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{w})$

4.2 Reflection plane $\mathbf{w}_g = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I})$

5. Location symmetry element

5.1 $\mathbf{w}_g = 0$ $(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w})\mathbf{x}_F = \mathbf{x}_F$

5.2 $\mathbf{w}_g \neq 0$ $(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w}_l)\mathbf{x}_F = \mathbf{x}_F$ where $\mathbf{w}_l = \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}_g$

Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

la-3d (No. 230)

$$y+3/4, x+1/4, z+1/4 \quad \mathbf{W} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Geometrical Interpretation of (W, w)

1a-3d (No. 230)

$$y+3/4, x+1/4, z+1/4$$

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix} \quad w = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine the type of isometry:

$$\det(W) = 1; \quad \text{tr}(W) = -1$$

	$\det(W) = +1$					$\det(W) = -1$				
$\text{tr}(W)$	3	2	1	0	-1	-3	-2	-1	0	1
type	1	6	4	3	2	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{6}$	$\bar{4}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{2} = m$
order	1	6	4	3	2	2	6	4	6	2

2-fold rotation

Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

1a-3d (No. 230)

$y+3/4, x+1/4, z+1/4$

2-fold rotation

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine the direction of the rotation axis calculating the matrix $\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{W})$

$$\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{W}) = \mathbf{W}^{n-1} + \mathbf{W}^{n-2} + \dots + \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I} \quad \xrightarrow{n=2} \quad \mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{W}) = \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{W}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The direction of the rotation axis with respect to the body centred cubic basis is given by the non-zero columns, $\mathbf{u} = (1, 1, 0)$

Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

Ia-3d (No. 230)

$$y+3/4, x+1/4, z+1/4$$

2-fold rotation

$$\mathbf{u}=(1,1,0)$$

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix}; \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The intrinsic part is calculated:

$$\mathbf{w}_g = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{w}) \xrightarrow{n=2} \mathbf{w}_g = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{w}_g \neq 0$

the symmetry operation is a **screw rotation**

Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

1a-3d (No. 230)

$$y+3/4, x+1/4, z+1/4 \quad \mathbf{W} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

2-fold screw rotation
 $\mathbf{u}=(1,1,0)$
Screw rotation $w_g=(1/2,1/2,0)$

The location of the screw axis is calculated:

$$\mathbf{w}_g \neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w}_l) \mathbf{x}_F = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/4 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} & 1/4 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} x_F \\ y_F \\ z_F \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_F \\ y_F \\ z_F \end{pmatrix}$$

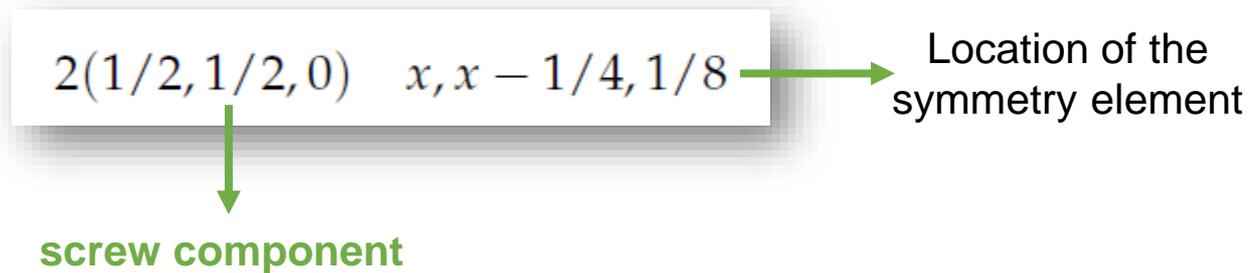
$$x_F = y_F + 1/4; \quad y_F = x_F - 1/4; \quad -z_F + 1/4 = z_F \Rightarrow z_F = 1/8$$

Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

Ia-3d (No. 230)

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The geometric interpretation of the symmetry operation is:



Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

SYMMETY OPERATION

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

Geometric Interpretation of Matrix Column Representation of Symmetry Operation

Symmetry Operation

This program calculates the geometric interpretation of matrix column representation of symmetry operation for a given crystal system or space group.

Input:

- i) The crystal system or the space group number.
- ii) The matrix column representation of symmetry operation.

The program is able to calculate the geometrical interpretation refer either to the [standard/default setting](#) of the chosen space group or to the so-called [ITA Settings](#).

If you want to work on a non conventional setting click on **Non conventional setting**, this will show you a form where you have to introduce the [transformation matrix](#) relating the conventional setting of the group you have chosen with the non conventional one you are interested in.

Output:

We obtain the geometric interpretation of the symmetry operation according to the *International Tables for Crystallography*, Vol. A. criteria and in Seitz notation.

Introduce the crystal system

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

Introduce the matrix-column representation of the symmetry operation  in:

- Coordinate triplets

- Or in matrix form

Rotational part

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Translational part

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Geometrical Interpretation of (W,w)

SYMMETY OPERATION

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Rotational part

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Translational part

<input type="text" value="0"/>
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(x,y,z) form	Matrix form	Symmetry Operation	
		ITA	Seitz 
y+3/4,x+1/4,-z+1/4	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 3/4 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/4 \end{pmatrix}$	2 (1/2,1/2,0) x,x-1/4,1/8	{ 2 ₁₁₀ 3/4 1/4 1/4 }

Exercise 2.15

(a) Construct the matrix-column pairs (\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w}) of the following coordinate triplets:

(1) x, y, z

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

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

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

(b) Characterize geometrically these matrix-column pairs taking into account that they refer to a monoclinic basis with unique axis b (type of operation, glide/screw component, location of the symmetry operation).

(c) Use the program SYMMETRY OPERATIONS for the geometric interpretation of the matrix-column pairs of the symmetry operations.



Exercise 2.16

- (a) Characterize geometrically the matrix-column pairs listed under *General position* of the space group $P4mm$ in *ITA*.
- (b) Consider the diagram of the symmetry elements of $P4mm$. Try to determine the matrix-column pairs of the symmetry operations whose symmetry elements are indicated on the unit-cell diagram.
- (c) Compare your results with the results of the program SYMMETRY OPERATIONS



**GENERAL AND
SPECIAL WYCKOFF POSITIONS
SITE-SYMMETRY**

General and special positions

Orbit of a point X_0 under G

$$G(X_0) = \{(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w})X_0, (\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w}) \in G\}$$

Site-symmetry group

$$S = \{(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w})\} \text{ of a point } X_0$$

$$(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w})X_0 = X_0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{W}_{11} & \mathbf{W}_{12} & \mathbf{W}_{13} & \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{W}_{21} & \mathbf{W}_{22} & \mathbf{W}_{23} & \mathbf{w}_2 \\ \mathbf{W}_{31} & \mathbf{W}_{32} & \mathbf{W}_{33} & \mathbf{w}_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Multiplicity: } |P|/|S_0|$$

General position X_0

$$S = \{(1,0)\} \simeq 1$$

Multiplicity: $|P|$

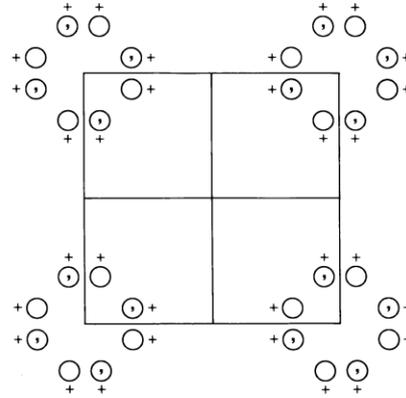
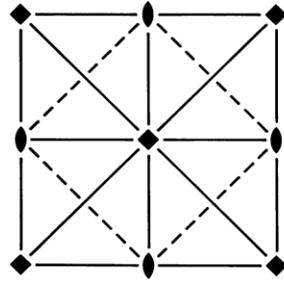
Special position X_0

$$S > 1 = \{(1,0), \dots\}$$

Multiplicity: $|P|/|S_0|$

Site-symmetry groups: oriented symbols

Example: P4mm (No. 99)



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

Multiplicity

Wyckoff
letter

Site-symmetry

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

Site-symmetry group

Determine the site-symmetry group for the WP 2i (x,0,0)

General Positions of the Group P222 (No. 16)

[Click here to get the general positions in text format](#)

No.	(x,y,z) form	Matrix form	Symmetry operation	
			ITA	Seitz 
1	x,y,z	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	1	{1 0}
2	-x,-y,z	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	2 0,0,z	{2 ₀₀₁ 0}
3	-x,y,-z	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	2 0,y,0	{2 ₀₁₀ 0}
4	x,-y,-z	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	2 x,0,0	{2 ₁₀₀ 0}

Wyckoff Positions of Group P222 (No. 16)

Multiplicity	Wyckoff letter	Site symmetry	Coordinates
4	u	1	(x,y,z) (-x,-y,z) (-x,y,-z) (x,-y,-z)
2	t	..2	(1/2,1/2,z) (1/2,1/2,-z)
2	s	..2	(0,1/2,z) (0,1/2,-z)
2	r	..2	(1/2,0,z) (1/2,0,-z)
2	q	..2	(0,0,z) (0,0,-z)
2	p	.2.	(1/2,y,1/2) (1/2,-y,1/2)
2	o	.2.	(1/2,y,0) (1/2,-y,0)
2	n	.2.	(0,y,1/2) (0,-y,1/2)
2	m	.2.	(0,y,0) (0,-y,0)
2	l	2..	(x,1/2,1/2) (-x,1/2,1/2)
2	k	2..	(x,1/2,0) (-x,1/2,0)
2	j	2..	(x,0,1/2) (-x,0,1/2)
2	i	2..	(x,0,0) (-x,0,0)
1	h	222	(1/2,1/2,1/2)
1	g	222	(0,1/2,1/2)
1	f	222	(1/2,0,1/2)
1	e	222	(1/2,1/2,0)
1	d	222	(0,0,1/2)
1	c	222	(0,1/2,0)
1	b	222	(1/2,0,0)
1	a	222	(0,0,0)

Site-symmetry group

Determine the site-symmetry group for the WP $2i(x,0,0)$

$$(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{w})X_0 = X_0$$

$$\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$-\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \times$$

$$-\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, -\mathbf{z} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \times$$

$$\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{y}, -\mathbf{z} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$S_0 = \{(x, y, z); (x, -y, -z)\}$$



Site-symmetry
2..

Wyckoff Positions

WYCKPOS

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Standard (default) Choices for the Space Group Settings

The default choices for the standard (default) settings of the space groups are:

- *unique axis b (cell choice 1)* for space groups within the monoclinic system.
- obverse triple hexagonal unit cell for R space groups.
- the *origin choice two* - inversion center at (0,0,0) - for the centrosymmetric space groups for which there are two origin choices, within the orthorhombic, tetragonal and cubic systems.

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Non Conventional Setting

ITA Settings

ITA-Settings for the Space Group 68

Note: The transformation matrices must be read by columns. **P** is the transformation from standard to the ITA-setting.

$$(a, b, c)_n = (a, b, c)_s P$$

ITA number	Setting	P	P ⁻¹
68	<i>C c c e</i> [origin 1]	$a, b+1/4, c+1/4$	$a, b-1/4, c-1/4$
68	<i>A e e a</i> [origin 1]	$c, a+1/4, b+1/4$	$b-1/4, c, a-1/4$
68	<i>B b e b</i> [origin 1]	$b, c+1/4, a+1/4$	$c-1/4, a-1/4, b$
68	<i>C c c e</i> [origin 2]	a, b, c	a, b, c
68	<i>A e e a</i> [origin 2]	c, a, b	b, c, a
68	<i>B b e b</i> [origin 2]	b, c, a	c, a, b

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Standard/Default Setting

Non Conventional Setting

ITA Settings

Wyckoff Positions of Group Ccce (No. 68) [origin choice 2] in Non Conventional Setting

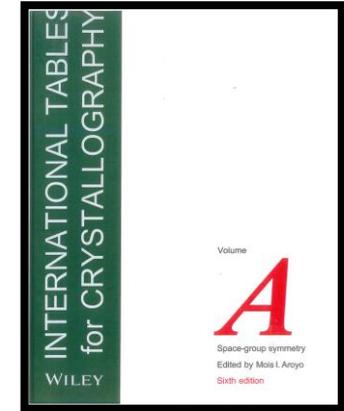
Please, enter the transformation:

Linear part			Origin shift
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<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
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Change the basis

Wyckoff Positions

16	<i>i</i>	1	(1) x, y, z (5) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$	(2) $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, z$ (6) $x + \frac{1}{2}, y, \bar{z}$	(3) $\bar{x}, y, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$ (7) $x, \bar{y}, z + \frac{1}{2}$	(4) $x + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$ (8) $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, y, z + \frac{1}{2}$
8	<i>h</i>	..2	$\frac{1}{4}, 0, z$	$\frac{3}{4}, 0, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}, 0, \bar{z}$	$\frac{1}{4}, 0, z + \frac{1}{2}$
8	<i>g</i>	..2	$0, \frac{1}{4}, z$	$0, \frac{1}{4}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, \bar{z}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, z + \frac{1}{2}$
8	<i>f</i>	.2.	$0, y, \frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, \frac{1}{4}$	$0, \bar{y}, \frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}, y, \frac{3}{4}$
8	<i>e</i>	2..	$x, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$	$\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$	$\bar{x}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$	$x + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$
8	<i>d</i>	$\bar{1}$	$0, 0, 0$	$\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0$	$0, 0, \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}$
8	<i>c</i>	$\bar{1}$	$\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 0$	$\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, 0$	$\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}$
4	<i>b</i>	222	$0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$		
4	<i>a</i>	222	$0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$		



Wyckoff Positions of Group Ccce (No. 68) [origin choice 2]

Space Group : Ccce (No. 68) [origin choice 2]
 Point : (0,1/4,1/4)
 Wyckoff Position : 4a

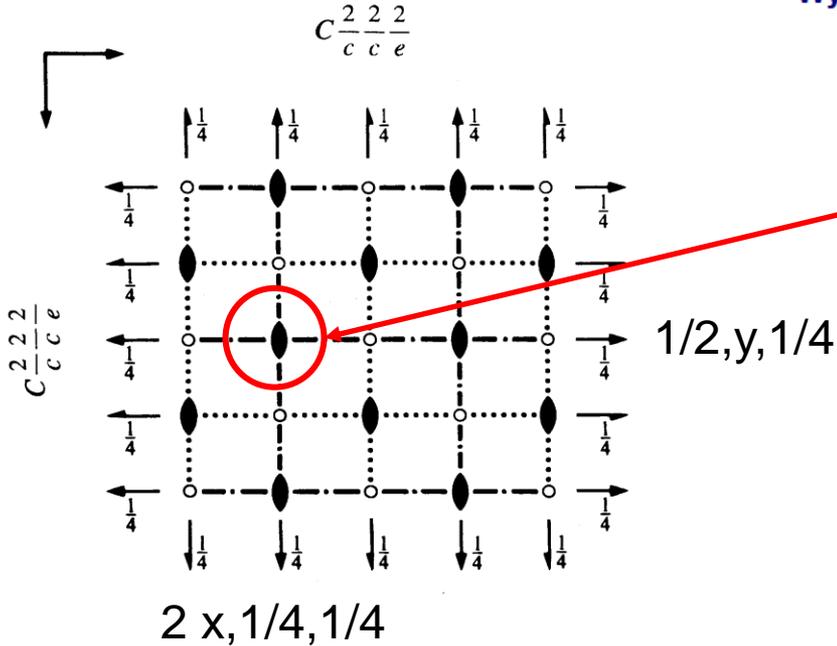
Site Symmetry Group 222

x, y, z	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	1
$-x, y, -z + 1/2$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$	2 0, y, 1/4
$-x, -y + 1/2, z$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	2 0, 1/4, z
$x, -y + 1/2, -z + 1/2$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$	2 x, 1/4, 1/4

Multiplicity	Wyckoff letter	Site symmetry	Coordinates
			(0,0,0) + (1/2,1/2,0) +
16	<i>i</i>	1	(x, y, z) $(-x + 1/2, -y, z)$ $(-x, y, -z + 1/2)$ $(x + 1/2, -y, -z + 1/2)$ $(-x, -y, -z)$ $(x + 1/2, y, -z)$ $(x, -y, z + 1/2)$ $(-x + 1/2, y, z + 1/2)$
8	<i>h</i>	..2	$(1/4, 0, z)$ $(3/4, 0, -z + 1/2)$ $(3/4, 0, -z)$ $(1/4, 0, z + 1/2)$
8	<i>g</i>	..2	$(0, 1/4, z)$ $(0, 1/4, -z + 1/2)$ $(0, 3/4, -z)$ $(0, 3/4, z + 1/2)$
8	<i>f</i>	.2.	$(0, y, 1/4)$ $(1/2, -y, 1/4)$ $(0, -y, 3/4)$ $(1/2, y, 3/4)$
8	<i>e</i>	2..	$(x, 1/4, 1/4)$ $(-x + 1/2, 3/4, 1/4)$ $(-x, 3/4, 3/4)$ $(x + 1/2, 1/4, 3/4)$
8	<i>d</i>	-1	$(0, 0, 0)$ $(1/2, 0, 0)$ $(0, 0, 1/2)$ $(1/2, 0, 1/2)$
8	<i>c</i>	-1	$(1/4, 3/4, 0)$ $(1/4, 1/4, 0)$ $(3/4, 3/4, 1/2)$ $(3/4, 1/4, 1/2)$
4	<i>b</i>	222	$(0, 1/4, 3/4)$ $(0, 3/4, 1/4)$
4	<i>a</i>	222	$(0, 1/4, 1/4)$ $(0, 3/4, 3/4)$

Wyckoff Positions

Wyckoff position and site symmetry group of a specific point



Specify the point by its relative coordinates (in fractions or decimals)
Variable parameters (x,y,z) are also accepted

x = y = z =



Space Group : Cc222 (No. 68) [origin choice 2]
Point : (1/2, 1/4, 1/4)
Wyckoff Position : 4b

Site Symmetry Group 222

x,y,z	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	1
-x+1,y,-z+1/2	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$	2 1/2,y,1/4
-x+1,-y+1/2,z	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	2 1/2,1/4,z
x,-y+1/2,-z+1/2	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$	2 x,1/4,1/4

Exercise 2.17

Consider the special Wyckoff positions of the the space group $P4mm$ (No. 99)

1. Determine the site-symmetry groups of Wyckoff positions 1a and 1b. Compare the results with the listed *ITA* data.
2. The coordinate triplets $(x, 1/2, z)$ and $(1/2, x, z)$, belong to Wyckoff position 4f. Compare their site-symmetry groups.
3. Compare your results with the results of the program WYCKPOS.



Exercise 2.18



Consider the Wyckoff-positions data of the space group $I4_1/amd$ (No.141), *origin choice 2*.

- a) Determine the site-symmetry groups of Wyckoff positions $4a$, $4c$, $8d$ and $8e$. Compare the results with the listed ITA data. Compare your results with the results of the program WYCKPOS.
- b) Characterize geometrically the isometries (3), (7), (12), (13) and (16) as listed under General Position. Compare the results with the corresponding geometric descriptions listed under Symmetry operations block in ITA. Comment on the differences between the corresponding symmetry operations listed under the sub-blocks (0, 0, 0) and (1/2, 1/2, 1/2).
- c) Compare your results with the results of the program SYMMETRY OPERATIONS.
- d) How do the above results change if *origin choice 1* setting of $I4_1/amd$ is considered?

Exercise 2.23

ITA-conventional setting of space groups

Consider the space group $P21/c$ (No. 14). Show that the relation between the *General* and *Special* position data of $P1121/a$ (setting *unique axis c*) can be obtained from the data $P121/c1$ (setting *unique axis b*) applying the transformation $(\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}', \mathbf{c}')_c = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c})_b \mathbf{P}$, with $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$.

Use the retrieval tools GENPOS (generators and general positions) and WYCKPOS (Wyckoff positions) for accessing the space-group data. Get the data on general and special positions in different settings either by specifying transformation matrices to new bases, or by selecting one of the 530 settings of the monoclinic and orthorhombic groups listed in *ITA*.

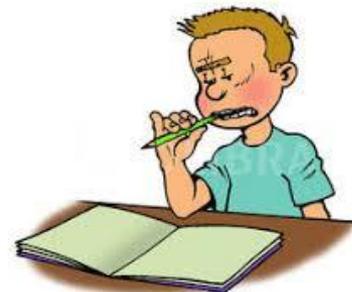


Exercise 2.24

Non-conventional setting of space groups

Use the retrieval tools GENPOS or *Generators and General positions*, WYCKPOS (or *Wyckoff positions*) for accessing the space-group data on the *Bilbao Crystallographic Server*. Get the data on general and special positions in different settings either by specifying transformation matrices to new bases, or by selecting one of the 530 settings of the monoclinic and orthorhombic groups listed in ITA.

Consider the General position data of the space group $Im\bar{3}m$ (No. 229). Using the option *Non-conventional setting* obtain the matrix-column pairs of the symmetry operations with respect to a primitive basis, applying the transformation $(\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}', \mathbf{c}') = 1/2(-\mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}+\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}+\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}-\mathbf{c})$



$P4mm$

C_{4v}^1

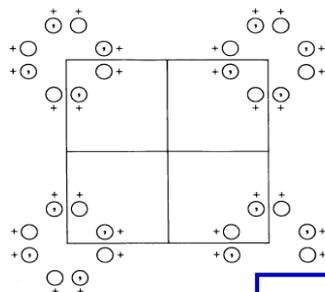
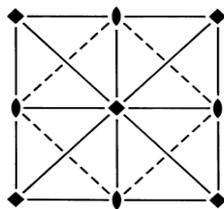
$4mm$

Tetragonal

No. 99

$P4mm$

Patterson symmetry $P4/mmm$



Bilbao Crystallographic Server

Space-group symmetry

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⁺ $0,0,z$
- (4) 4⁻ $0,0,z$
- (5) m $x,0,z$
- (6) m $0,y,z$
- (7) m x,\bar{x},z
- (8) m x,x,z

SYMMETRY OPERATIONS

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

GENPOS

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

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	$4mm$	$0, 0, z$			

WYCKPOS

HKLCD

Reflection conditions

General:

no conditions

Special:

no extra conditions

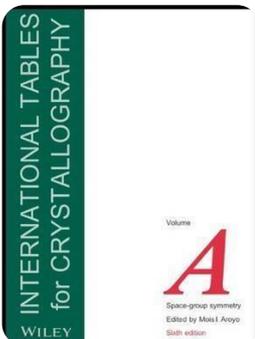
no extra conditions

no extra conditions

$hkl : h + k = 2n$

no extra conditions

no extra conditions



Symmetry of special projections

Along [001] $p4mm$
 $a' = a$ $b' = b$
Origin at $0,0,z$

Along [100] $p1m1$
 $a' = b$ $b' = c$
Origin at $x,0,0$

Along [110] $p1m1$
 $a' = \frac{1}{2}(-a+b)$ $b' = c$
Origin at $x,x,0$

Maximal non-isomorphic subgroups

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

IIa none

- IIb [2] $P4_2mc$ ($c' = 2c$) (105); [2] $P4cc$ ($c' = 2c$) (103); [2] $P4_2cm$ ($c' = 2c$) (101); [2] $C4md$ ($a' = 2a, b' = 2b$) ($P4bm, 100$); [2] $F4mc$ ($a' = 2a, b' = 2b, c' = 2c$) ($I4cm, 108$); [2] $F4mm$ ($a' = 2a, b' = 2b, c' = 2c$) ($I4mm, 107$)

MAXSUB

Maximal isomorphic subgroups of lowest index

- IIc [2] $P4mm$ ($c' = 2c$) (99); [2] $C4mm$ ($a' = 2a, b' = 2b$) ($P4mm, 99$)

SERIES

Minimal non-isomorphic supergroups

- I [2] $P4/mmm$ (123); [2] $P4/nmm$ (129)
- II [2] $I4mm$ (107)

MINSUP