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SPACE GROUPS

International Tables for Crystallography, Volume A: Space-group Symmetry

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Crystal Symmetry

Real crystal

Real crystals are finite objects in physical space which due to static (impurities and structural imperfections like disorder, dislocations, etc) or dynamic (phonons) defects are not perfectly symmetric.

Ideal crystal (ideal crystal structures)

Infinite periodic spatial arrangement of the atoms (ions, molecules) with no static or dynamic defects

Crystal pattern:

A model of the ideal crystal (crystal structure) in point space consisting of a strictly 3-dimensional periodic set of points

An abstraction of the atomic nature of the ideal structure, perfectly periodic



 $(\mathbf{W},\mathbf{w}) \longrightarrow \mathbf{W} \quad \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{G}} = \{\mathbf{W} | (\mathbf{W},\mathbf{w}) \in \mathsf{G}\}$

INTERNATIONAL TABLES FOR CRYSTALLOGRAPHY VOLUME A: SPACE-GROUP SYMMETRY

Extensive tabulations and illustrations of the 17 plane groups and of the 230 space groups

headline with the relevant group symbols;

- •diagrams of the symmetry elements and of the general position;
- •specification of the origin and the asymmetric unit;
- list of symmetry operations;
- •generators;
- •general and special positions with multiplicities, site symmetries, coordinates and reflection conditions;
- symmetries of special projections;





GENERAL LAYOUT: LEFT-HAND PAGE



For (0,0,0) + set (1) 1

(2) 2 0,0,z

(3) m x, 0, z (4) m 0, y, z

General Layout: Right-hand page

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No. 35

Cmm2

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

3	Pos	sitio	ns					
	Multiplicity,		city,	Coordinates				Reflection conditions
	Wyo Site	ckoff sym	letter, metry		(0,0,0)+	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)+$		General:
	8	f	1	(1) <i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , <i>z</i>	(2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z	(3) x, \bar{y}, z	(4) \bar{x}, y, z	hkl: h+k=2n 0kl: k=2n h0l: h=2n hk0: h+k=2n h00: h=2n 0k0: k=2n
								Special: as above, plus
	4	е	<i>m</i>	0, y, z	$0, \bar{y}, z$			no extra conditions
	4	d	. <i>m</i> .	<i>x</i> ,0, <i>z</i>	$\bar{x}, 0, z$			no extra conditions
	4	С	2	$rac{1}{4},rac{1}{4},\mathcal{Z}$	$rac{1}{4},rac{3}{4},\mathcal{Z}$			<i>hkl</i> : $h = 2n$
	2	b	<i>m m</i> 2	$0, \frac{1}{2}, z$				no extra conditions
	2	а	<i>m m</i> 2	0, 0, z				no extra conditions

(4) Symmetry of special projections

Along $[001] c 2mm$	Along [100] <i>p</i> 1 <i>m</i> 1	Along [010] <i>p</i> 11 <i>m</i>
$\mathbf{a}' = \mathbf{a}$ $\mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{b}$	$\mathbf{a}' = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}$ $\mathbf{b}' = \mathbf{c}$	$\mathbf{a}' = \mathbf{c}$ $\mathbf{b}' = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}$
Origin at $0, 0, z$	Origin at $x, 0, 0$	Origin at $0, y, 0$

HEADLINE BLOCK

Short Hermar Mauguin symb	ool Schoenflies symbol	Crystal class (point group)	Crystal system
1) Cmm2	C_{2v}^{11}	mm2	Orthorhombic
2 No. 35	Cmm2		Patterson symmetry Cmmm
Number of space group	Full Herma Mauguin syr	nn- nbol	Patterson symmetry

		No. of Conventional coordinate system		dinate system			
Crystal family	Symbol*	Crystal system	Crystallographic point groups†	space groups	Restrictions on cell parameters	Parameters to be determined	Bravais lattices*
Triclinic (anorthic)	a	Triclinic	1, 1	2	None	$ \begin{array}{c} a, b, c, \\ \alpha, \beta, \gamma \end{array} $	aP
Monoclinic	m	Monoclinic	2, m, 2/m	13	b-unique setting $\alpha = \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	a, b, c β‡	mP mS (mC, mA, mI)
					c-unique setting $\alpha = \beta = 90^{\circ}$	$\begin{vmatrix} a, b, c, \\ \gamma \ddagger \end{vmatrix}$	mP mS (mA, mB, mI)
Orthorhombic	0	Orthorhombic	222, mm2, mmm	59	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	a, b, c	oP oS (oC, oA, oB) oI oF
Tetragonal	t	Tetragonal	$4, \overline{4}, 4/m$ $422, 4mm, \overline{4}2m,$ $4/mmm$	68	$\begin{vmatrix} a = b \\ \alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^{\circ} \end{vmatrix}$	a, c	tP tI
Hexagonal	h	Trigonal	$3, \overline{3}$ $32, 3m, \overline{3m}$	18	$\begin{vmatrix} a = b \\ \alpha = \beta = 90^{\circ}, \ \gamma = 120^{\circ} \end{vmatrix}$	a, c	hP
				7	a = b = c $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ (rhombohedral axes, primitive cell) a = b	α, α	hR
					$\alpha = \beta = 90^{\circ}, \gamma = 120^{\circ}$ (hexagonal axes, triple obverse cell)		
		Hexagonal	$6, \overline{6}, 6/m$ $622, 6mm, \overline{6}2m,$ $6/mmm$	27	$\begin{vmatrix} a = b \\ \alpha = \beta = 90^{\circ}, \gamma = 120^{\circ} \end{vmatrix}$	а, с	hP
Cubic	c	Cubic	$23, \overline{m3}$ $432, \overline{43}m, \overline{m3}m$	36	$\begin{vmatrix} a = b = c \\ \alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^{\circ} \end{vmatrix}$	a	cP cI cF

HERMANN-MAUGUIN SYMBOLISM FOR SPACE GROUPS

Hermann-Mauguin symbols for space groups

The Hermann–Mauguin symbol for a space group consists of a sequence of letters and numbers, here called the constituents of the HM symbol.

(i) The first constituent is always a symbol for the conventional cell of the translation lattice of the space group

(ii) The second part of the full HM symbol of a space group consists of one position for each of up to three representative symmetry directions. To each position belong the generating symmetry operations of their representative symmetry direction. The position is thus occupied either by a rotation, screw rotation or rotoinversion and/ or by a reflection or glide reflection.

(iii) Simplest-operation rule:

pure rotations > screw rotations; pure rotations > rotoinversions reflection m > a; b; c > n

'>' means 'has priority'

14 Bravais Lattices



Symmetry directions

A direction is called a **symmetry direction** of a crystal structure if it is parallel to an axis of rotation, screw rotation or rotoinversion or if it is parallel to the normal of a reflection or glide-reflection plane. A symmetry direction is thus the direction of the geometric element of a symmetry operation, when the normal of a symmetry plane is used for the description of its orientation.

Hermann-Mauguin symbols for space groups

Directions that belong to the same set of equivalent symmetry directions are collected between braces. The first entry in each set is taken as the representative of that set.

	Symmetry direction (position in Hermann– Mauguin symbol)				
Lattice	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary		
Triclinic	None				
Monoclinic*	[010] ('uniqu [001] ('uniqu	ue axis b') ue axis c')			
Orthorhombic	[100]	[010]	[001]		
Tetragonal	[001]	$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 100\\ [010] \end{bmatrix} \right\}$	$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\bar{1}0\\ [110] \end{bmatrix} \right\}$		
Hexagonal	[001]	$ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} [100] \\ [010] \\ [\bar{1}\bar{1}0] \end{array} \right\} $	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} [1\bar{1}0]\\ [120]\\ [\bar{2}\bar{1}0] \end{array}\right\}$		
Rhombohedral (hexagonal axes)	[001]	$ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} [100] \\ [010] \\ [\bar{1}\bar{1}0] \end{array} \right\} $			
Rhombohedral (rhombohedral axes)	[111]	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} [1\overline{1}0]\\ [01\overline{1}]\\ [\overline{1}01] \end{array}\right\}$			
Cubic	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} [100]\\ [010]\\ [001] \end{array}\right\}$	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} [111]\\ [1\bar{1}\bar{1}\\ [\bar{1}1\bar{1}\\ [\bar{1}1\bar{1}\\ [\bar{1}\bar{1}1] \end{array}\right\}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} [1\bar{1}0] \ [110] \\ [01\bar{1}] \ [011] \\ [\bar{1}01] \ [101] \end{array} \right\}$		





Example:

PRESENTATION OF SPACE-GROUP SYMMETRY OPERATIONS

IN INTERNATIONAL TABLES FOR CRYSTALLOGRAPHY, VOL.A

Example: Matrix presentation of symmetry operation

Mirror symmetry operation

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Fixed points



Mirror line m_y at 0,y



Matrix representation





Description of isometries: 3D



 $egin{array}{rcl} ilde{x} &=& W_{11}\,x + W_{12}\,y + W_{13}\,z + w_1 \ ilde{y} &=& W_{21}\,x + W_{22}\,y + W_{23}\,z + w_2 \ ilde{z} &=& W_{31}\,x + W_{32}\,y + W_{33}\,z + w_3 \end{array}$

Matrix notation for system of linear equations

 $egin{array}{rcl} ilde{x} &=& W_{11}\,x+W_{12}\,y+W_{13}\,z+w_1\ ilde{y} &=& W_{21}\,x+W_{22}\,y+W_{23}\,z+w_2\ ilde{z} &=& W_{31}\,x+W_{32}\,y+W_{33}\,z+w_3 \end{array}$ $\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} W_{11}W_{12}W_{13} \\ W_{21}W_{22}W_{23} \\ W_{31}W_{32}W_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$

Matrix formalism

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} W_{11}W_{12}W_{13} \\ W_{21}W_{22}W_{23} \\ W_{31}W_{32}W_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{linear/matrix} \\ \text{part} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{translation} \\ \text{column part} \end{array}$$

 $\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}} = \boldsymbol{W} \boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{w}$

 $ilde{m{x}} = (m{W}, m{w}) m{x}$ or $ilde{m{x}} = \{m{W} \mid m{w}\} m{x}$ matrix-column Seitz symbol pair

QUICK QUIZ

Referred to an 'orthorhombic' coordinate system ($a \neq b \neq c$; $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90$), two symmetry operations are represented by the following matrix-column pairs:



Determine the images X_i of a point X under the symmetry operations (W_i , w_i) where



Can you guess what is the geometric 'nature' of (W_1, w_1) ? And of (W_2, w_2) ?

Hint: A drawing could be rather helpful

Short-hand notation for the description of isometries



-different rows in one line





Construct the matrix-column pair (W,w) of the following coordinate triplets:

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

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

Combination of isometries



$$\widetilde{\widetilde{x}} = (V, v) \widetilde{x} = (V, v) (U, u) x = (W, w) x.$$

$$(\boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{w}) = (\boldsymbol{V}, \boldsymbol{v})(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{u}) = (\boldsymbol{V}\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{V}\boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{v}).$$

Example

Consider the matrix-column pairs of the two symmetry operations:



Determine and compare the matrix-column pairs of the combined symmetry operations:

$$(W,w) = (W_1,w_1)(W_2,w_2)$$

 $(W,w)' = (W_2,w_2)(W_1,w_1)$

combination of isometries:

$$(V, v)(U, u) = (VU, Vu + v).$$

Inverse isometries



(C,c)(W,w) = (I,o) (C,c)(W,w) = (CW, Cw+c) CW=I CW=I $C=W^{-1}$ $C=W^{-1}$ CW=I $C=-Cw=-W^{-1}w$

Example

Determine the inverse symmetry operations $(W_1, w_1)^{-1}$ and $(W_2, w_2)^{-1}$ where



Determine the inverse symmetry operation (W,w)⁻¹

 $(W,w) = (W_1,w_1)(W_2,w_2)$

inverse of isometries:

$$(\boldsymbol{W}, \, \boldsymbol{w})^{-1} = (\, \boldsymbol{W}^{-1}, \, - \, \boldsymbol{W}^{-1} \, \boldsymbol{w})$$

Symmetry Operations

KIND of the symmetry operation

TYPE of the symmetry operation

SCREW/GLIDE component

ORIENTATION of the geometric element

LOCATION of the geometric element

Kinds of Symmetry Operations

Symmetry operations of 1st kind (proper):





chirality (handedness) non-preserving



Chirality is the geometric property of a rigid object of being non-superposable on its mirror image. An object displaying chirality is called **chiral**; the opposite term is **achiral**.

Crystallographic symmetry operations



Crystallographic symmetry operations



Rotations



Chinese symbol for point, pronounced dia n in Chinese, hoshi in Japanese).

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Crystallographic symmetry operations

Screw rotation



n-fold rotation followed by a fractional translation $\frac{p}{n}$ **t** parallel to the rotation axis

symbol: n_P

Its application *n* times results in a translation parallel to the rotation axis



Screw rotations



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Types of	isometries DO preserve	DO NOT preserve handedness				
characteristics:	fixed points of isometrie geometric element	$(W,w)X_f = X_f$				
roto-inversion:	centre of roto-inversion	sion fixed axis				
inversion:	centre of inversion f	ixed				
reflection:	plane fixed reflection/mirror p	ane				
glide reflection	no fixed point glide plane	glide vector				

Symmetry operations in 3D Rotoinvertions



Symmetry operations in 3D Rotoinvertions



Rotoinversion



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Crystallographic symmetry operations

Glide plane



reflection followed by a fractional translation $\frac{1}{2}$ **t** parallel to the plane

Its application 2 times results in a translation parallel to the plane

Glide reflection



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Reflection and Glide reflection





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Rotation or rotoinversion around the origin:



Translation:



Inversion through the origin:



Symmetry Operations Block

GEOMETRIC INTERPRETATION OF THE MATRIX-COLUMN PRESENTATION OF THE SYMMETRY OPERATIONS

KIND and TYPE of the symmetry operation

ORIENTATION of the geometric element

SCREW/GLIDE component

LOCATION of the geometric element

Geometric meaning of (W, w)W information

(a) KIND and TYPE of isometry

		det(W)	= -	⊦1	$\det(\textbf{\textit{W}}) = -1$				
$\operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{W})$	3	2	1	0	-1	-3	-2	-1	0	1
type	1	6	4	3	2	ī	$\overline{6}$	$\overline{4}$	$\overline{3}$	$ar{2}=m$
order	1	6	4	3	2	2	6	4	6	2

order: Wn=I

rotation angle

$$\cos\varphi = (\pm \mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{W}) - 1)/2$$

Example

(a) Determine the type and order of isometries that are represented by the following matrix-column pairs:

(b) The same for: (1) -y, x-y+1/2,-z+1/2 (2) -x+1/2, -z,-y+1/2

(a) type of isometry

		det(W)	= -	+1	$\det(\textbf{\textit{W}}) = -1$				
$\operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{W})$	3	2	1	0	-1	-3	-2	-1	0	1
type	1	6	4	3	2	ī	$\overline{6}$	$\bar{4}$	$\overline{3}$	$\bar{2}=m$
order	1	6	4	3	2	2	6	4	6	2

Geometric meaning of (W, w)W information



Direction of rotation axis/normal

Example:
$$(W,w) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad det W = ?$$

tr W = ?

What is the type and order of the isometry? Determine its rotation axis?

$$Y(W) = W^{k-1} + W^{k-2} + ... + W + I$$



Example

(a) Determine the rotation or rotoinversion axes(or normals in case of reflections) of the followingsymmetry operations

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

rotations:

$$Y(W) = W^{k-1} + W^{k-2} + ... + W + I$$

 reflections:
 $Y(-W) = -W + I$

Geometric meaning of (W, w)W information

(c) sense of rotation:

for rotations or rotoinversions with k>2

$$\det(Z): oldsymbol{Z} = [oldsymbol{u} | x | (\det oldsymbol{W}) oldsymbol{W} oldsymbol{x}]$$

 \boldsymbol{x} non-parallel to \boldsymbol{u}



What is its sense of rotation ?

$$\det(Z): \ \boldsymbol{Z} = [\boldsymbol{u}|\boldsymbol{x}|(\det \boldsymbol{W}) \boldsymbol{W}\boldsymbol{x}]$$

 $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & & \\ 0 & & \\ 1 & & \\ 1 & & \\ 0 & & \\$

What is the sense of rotation of the operation -y, x-y+1/2,-z+1/2

det Z=?

Fixed points of isometries $(W,w)X_f = X_f$ Fixed points? 0 0 0 -Х Х 0 0 0 Х х - 1 0 0 1/2 у у у 0 0 у 0 -1 0 1/2 0 z z -1 1/2 0 0 z Ζ solution: **NO** solution: point, line, plane or space wl translation part w= w2 w3 intrinsic location (screw, glide)

Glide or **Screw** component (intrinsic translation part)

$$(\mathbf{W},\mathbf{w})^{k} = (\mathbf{W},\mathbf{w}).(\mathbf{W},\mathbf{w})....(\mathbf{W},\mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{I},\mathbf{t})$$

$$(\mathbf{W},\mathbf{w})^{k}=(\mathbf{W}^{k},(\mathbf{W}^{k-1}+...+\mathbf{W}+\mathbf{I})\mathbf{w})=(\mathbf{I},\mathbf{t})$$

screw rotations : $t/k = 1/k \ (W^{k-1}+...+W+I)w$ glide reflections: $t/k = \frac{1}{2}(W+I)W$

Determine the glide/screw component of the operations (if relevant)

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

Fixed points of (W,w)

Location (fixed points
$$x_F$$
):

(**BI**)
$$t/k = 0$$
:

$$(\boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{w})\boldsymbol{x}_F = \boldsymbol{x}_F$$

$$egin{aligned} & (oldsymbol{W},oldsymbol{w}_{lp})oldsymbol{x}_F = oldsymbol{x}_F \ & oldsymbol{w}_{lp} = oldsymbol{w} - oldsymbol{t}/k \end{aligned}$$

Determine the fixed points of the operations -x+1/2, y+1/2,-z; x+1/2, -y+1/2,z; -y, z+1/2,-x+1/2

SYMMETRY OPERATIONS AND THEIR MATRIX-COLUMN PRESENTATION in ITA

Space group Cmm2 (No. 35)

How are the symmetry operations represented in ITA ?



Diagram of symmetry elements

netry opera	tions	
,0,0)+ set	(2) 2 0,0, <i>z</i>	(3) $m x, 0, z$
$(\frac{1}{2}, 0) + \text{set}$ $(\frac{1}{2}, 0)$	(2) 2 $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, z$	(3) $a x, \frac{1}{4}, z$

Diagram of general position points



f

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General position

(i) coordinate triplets of an image point \tilde{X} of the original point X= x under (W,w) of G -presentation of infinite image points \tilde{X} under the action of (W,w) of G

(ii) short-hand notation of the matrix-column pairs
 (W,w) of the symmetry operations of G

-presentation of infinite symmetry operations of G $(W,w) = (I,t_n)(W,w_0), 0 \le w_{i0} < I$

Space Groups: infinite order



isomorphic to the point group P_G of G Point group $P_G = \{I, W_2, W_3, ..., W_i\}$

Example: PI2/mI





inversion centres (\overline{I},t) :

Coset decomposition G:T_G **Point group** $P_G = \{1, 2, 1, m\}$ General position T_Gm T_G $T_{G}2$ T_{G1} (1,0) (1,0) (2,0) (m,0) $(2,t_1)$ $(\overline{1},t_1)$ (m,t_1) (I,t_1) $(2,t_2)$ $(\overline{1},t_2)$ (m,t_2) (I,t_2) $(2,t_j)$ $(\overline{1},t_j)$ (I,t_i) (m, t_i)





General position

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



		Coor	dinates		
		(0,0,0)+	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)+$	General position	on
8 f 1	(1) <i>x</i>	y, z (2) \bar{x}, z	\bar{y}, z (3) x, z	\bar{y},z (4) \bar{x},y,z	,
	T _G	T _G 2	T _G m _y	T _G m _x	
	(1,0)	(2,0)	(m _y ,0)	(m _x ,0)	
	(l,t _l)	(2,t ₁)	(m _{y,} t _l)	(m _x , t _l)	
	(l,t ₂)	(2,t ₂)	(m _y ,t ₂)	(m_x,t_2)	
	•••	•••	•••	•••	
	(I,t_j)	(2,t _j)	(m _y ,t _j)	(m _x , t _j)	
etry oper	rations				
0,0)+ set	(2) 2	0,0, <i>z</i> (3	3) m x,0,z	(4) m 0,y,z	
$\frac{1}{2},0)$ + set $\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2},0)$	(2) 2	$\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, z$ (3)	3) $a x, \frac{1}{4}, z$	(4) $b = \frac{1}{4}, y, z$	





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Problem: Matrix-column presentation Geometrical interpretation

Generators and General Positions

space group

GENPOS

How to select the group

The space groups are specified by their sequential number as given in the *International Tables for Crystallography*, Vol. A. You can give this number, if you know it, or you can choose it from the table with the space group numbers and symbols if you click on the button [choose it].

To see the data in a non conventional setting click on [Non conventional Setting] or [TTA Settings] for checking the non Please, enter the sequential number of group as given in the International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A or
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Example: Space group P2₁/c (14)

BCS: GENPOS

Space-group symmetry operations

General Positions of the Group 14 (P2₁/c) [unique axis b]

Click here to get the general positions in text format

short-hand notation

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{matrix-column} \\ \text{presentation} \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} W_{11}W_{12}W_{13} \\ W_{21}W_{22}W_{23} \\ W_{31}W_{32}W_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Geometric interpretation

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Seitz symbols

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data

otation		(m	Mateix form	Symmetry operation					
	NO.	(x,y,z) form	Matrix form	ITA	Seitz				
$\begin{pmatrix} W_{11}W_{12}W_{13} \\ W_{21}W_{22}W_{23} \\ W_{31}W_{32}W_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$	1	x,y,z	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right)$	1	{1 0}				
interpretation	2	-x,y+1/2,-z+1/2	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrr} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{array}\right)$	2 (0,1/2,0) 0,y,1/4	{ 2 ₀₁₀ 0 1/2 1/2 }				
ools		-x,-y,-z	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrr} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array}\right)$	-1 0,0,0	{ -1 0 }				
	4	x,-y+1/2,z+1/2	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \end{array}\right)$	c x,1/4,z	{ m ₀₁₀ 0 1/2 1/2 }				
General positions									
4 e 1 (1) x, y, z	(2) $\bar{x}, y + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$	(3) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$	(4) $x, \bar{y} + \frac{1}{2}$	$,z+\frac{1}{2}$				
Symmetry operations	Symmetry operations								
(1) 1 (2) $2(0, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$ ($0, y, \frac{1}{4}$	(3) 1 0	0,0,0 (4)	$c x, \frac{1}{4}, z$					

SEITZ SYMBOLS FOR SYMMETRY OPERATIONS



- m 2, <u>3, 4</u> and <u>6</u> 3, 4 and 6
- identity and inversion reflections rotations rotoinversions



translation parts of the coordinate triplets of the *General position* blocks

EXAMPLE

Seitz symbols for symmetry operations of hexagonal and trigonal crystal systems

	ITA descr	iption		Seitz		ITA descr	iption		Colta
No.	coord. triplet	type	orien- tation	symbol	No.	coord. triplet	type	orien- tation	symbol
1)	<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , <i>z</i>	1		1	13)	$\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z}$	ī		ī
2)	$\overline{y}, x-y, z$	3 ⁺	0,0, <i>z</i>	3 ⁺ ₀₀₁	14)	$y, \overline{x} + y, \overline{z}$	<u>3</u> +	0,0,z	$\overline{3}_{001}^{+}$
3)	$\overline{x} + y, \overline{x}, z$	3-	0,0, <i>z</i>	3 ₀₀₁	15)	$x-y, x, \overline{z}$	3-	0,0,z	$\bar{3}_{001}^{-}$
4)	$\overline{x}, \overline{y}, z$	2	0,0, <i>z</i>	2001	16)	x, y, \overline{z}	m	<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , 0	<i>m</i> ₀₀₁
5)	$y, \overline{x} + y, z$	6-	0,0, <i>z</i>	6 ⁻ ₀₀₁	17)	$\overline{y}, x-y, \overline{z}$	<u>6</u> -	0,0, <i>z</i>	$\overline{6}_{001}^{-}$
6)	x-y, x, z	6 ⁺	0,0, <i>z</i>	6 ⁺ ₀₀₁	18)	$\overline{x} + y, \overline{x}, \overline{z}$	<u>6</u> +	0,0, <i>z</i>	$\overline{6}^{+}_{001}$
7)	y, x, \overline{z}	2	<i>x</i> , <i>x</i> , 0	2 ₁₁₀	19)	$\overline{y}, \overline{x}, z$	m	x,\overline{x},z	<i>m</i> ₁₁₀
8)	$x-y,\overline{y},\overline{z}$	2	<i>x</i> ,0,0	2,100	20)	$\overline{x} + y, y, z$	m	x, 2x, z	<i>m</i> ₁₀₀
9)	$\overline{x}, \overline{x} + y, \overline{z}$	2	0, y, 0	2010	21)	x, x-y, z	m	2x, x, z	<i>m</i> ₀₁₀
10)	$\overline{y}, \overline{x}, \overline{z}$	2	$x, \overline{x}, 0$	2 ₁₁₀	22)	<i>y</i> , <i>x</i> , <i>z</i>	m	<i>x</i> , <i>x</i> , <i>z</i>	<i>m</i> ₁₁₀
11)	$\overline{x} + y, y, \overline{z}$	2	<i>x</i> ,2 <i>x</i> ,0	2 ₁₂₀	23)	$x-y, \overline{y}, z$	m	<i>x</i> ,0,z	<i>m</i> ₁₂₀
12)	$x, x-y, \overline{z}$	2	2x, x, 0	2 ₂₁₀	24)	$\overline{x}, \overline{x} + y, z$	m	0, y, z	<i>m</i> ₂₁₀

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	International Tables for Cr	<i>ystallography</i> (2006). Vol. A, Space	^{e grot} Space g	roup P21/c (No. 14)
EXAMINE	$P2_{1}/c$	$C_{^{2h}}^{^5}$	2/m	1
	No. 14	$P12_{1}/c1$		Patterson sy:
	UNIQUE AXIS <i>b</i> , CEL	l choice 1		
	Generators selected (1)	; $t(1,0,0)$; $t(0,1,0)$; $t(0,0)$	0,1); (2); (3)	
	Positions Multiplicity, Wyckoff letter, Site symmetry	Coordinates		
Matrix-column	4 <i>e</i> 1 (1) <i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , <i>z</i>	(2) $\bar{x}, y + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$	(3) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$	(4) $x, \bar{y} + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$
Geometric interpretation	Symmetry operations (1) 1 (2) $2(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	0) 0, y, $\frac{1}{4}$ (3) $\overline{1}$ (),0,0 (4)	$c x, \frac{1}{4}, z$
Seitz symbols	(1) {1I0} (2) {2 ₀₁₀	ol01/21/2 } (3) {	110} (4) {r	mo10101/21/2}

SPACE-GROUPS DIAGRAMS

SYMMETRY ELEMENTS



		Standard full	Extended Herman	nn–Mauguin symbol	s for the six settings	s of the same unit ce	211	
No. of space group	Schoen- flies symbol	Hermann– Mauguin symbol abc	abc (standard)	bac	cab	- cba	bca	acīb
35	$C^{11}_{2 u}$	Cmm2	Cmm2 ba2	Cmm2 ba2	A2mm 2cb	A2mm 2cb	Bm2m c2a	Bm2m c2a





Matrix-column **General Position** presentation Coordinates of symmetry operations $(0,0,0)+(\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2},0)+$ f = 1(3) x, \bar{y}, z 8 (1) x, y, z(2) \bar{x}, \bar{y}, z (4) \bar{x}, y, z

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

-x+1/2,y+1/2,z
Example: P4mm

Diagram of symmetry elements

Diagram of general position points



Symmetry elements

all coplanar equivalents



Fixed points

+ Element set Symmetry operations that share the same geometric element

All rotations and screw rotations with the same axis, the same angle and sense of rotation and the same screw vector (zero for rotation) up to a lattice translation vector.

All glide reflections with the same reflection plane, with glide of d.o. (taken to be zero for reflections) by a lattice translation vector.

Symmetry operations and symmetry elements

Geometric elements and Element sets

Name of symmetry element	$\begin{array}{c} {\rm Geometric} \\ {\rm element} \end{array}$	Defining operation (d.o)	Operations in element set
Mirror plane	Plane A	Reflection in A	D.o. and its coplanar equivalents [*]
Glide plane	Plane A	Glide reflection in A; 2ν (not ν) a lattice translation	D.o. and its coplanar equivalents [*]
Rotation axis	Line b	Rotation around b, angle $2\pi/n$ n = 2, 3, 4 or 6	1st,, $(n-1)$ th powers of d.o. and their coaxial equivalents [†]
Screw axis	Line b	Screw rotation around b , angle $2\pi/n$, u = j/n times shortest lattice translation along b , right-hand screw, $n = 2, 3, 4$ or $6, j = 1, \ldots, (n-1)$	1st,, $(n-1)$ th powers of d.o. and their coaxial equivalents [†]
Rotoinversion axis	Line b and point P on b	Rotoinversion: rotation around b , angle $2\pi/n$, and inversion through P , $n = 3, 4$ or 6	D.o. and its inverse
Center	Point P	Inversion through P	D.o. only

P. M. de Wolff et al. Acta Cryst (1992) A48 727

Example: P4mm

Element set of (00z) line

Symmetry operations that share (0,0,z) as geometric element

Ist, 2nd, 3rd powers + all coaxial equivalents

Diagram of symmetry elements

All rotations and screw rotations with the same axis, the same angle and sense of rotation and the same screw vector (zero for rotation) up to a lattice translation vector.

Element set of (0,0,z) line

2	-x,-y,z
4+	-y,x,z
4-	y,-x,z
2(0,0,I)	-x,-y,z+l
•••	•••



Example: la3d (No. 230)

For the graphical presentation of the **general-position points of cubic groups,** the general-position points are grouped around points of higher site symmetry and represented in the form of **polyhedra**.

orthogonal projection

perspective projection





polyhedra (twisted trigonal antiprism) centres at (1/8,1/8,1/8) and its equivalent points, site symmetry .32.

Example: $la\overline{3}d$ (No. 230)

Diagrams of general position points



polyhedra (twisted trigonal antiprism) centres at (0,0,0) and its equivalent points, site symmetry .-3.

ORIGINS AND ASYMMETRIC UNITS

Space group Cmm2 (No. 35): left-hand page ITA



 $C_{2\nu}^{11}$ Cmm2



Orthorhombic

Patterson symmetry Cmmm



Origin on mm2

Origin statement

The site symmetry of the origin is stated, if different from the identity. A further symbol indicates all symmetry elements (including glide planes and screw axes) that pass through the origin, if any.

Space groups with two origins

For each of the two origins the location relative to the other origin is also given.

Example: Different origins for Pnnn



Example: Asymmetric units for the space group PI21

ITA:

An asymmetric unit of a space group is a (simply connected) smallest closed part of space from which, by application of all symmetry operations of the space group, the whole of space is filled.



Example: Asymmetric unit Cmm2 (No. 35)

ITA:



Surface area: green = inside the asymmetric unit, red = outside Basis vectors: a = red, b = green, c = blue

Number of vertices: 8 0, 1/2, 0 0, 1/2, 1 1/4, 1/2, 1 1/4, 0, 1	Number of facets: 6 x>=0 x<=1/4 [y<=1/4] y>=0 y<=1/2 r>=0
1/4, 1/2, 0 0, 0, 1 1/4, 0, 0	z<1 [Guide to notation]

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To avoid the overlap between the **boundaries of the asymmetric units** covering the unit cell (and the whole space), obtained by the application of the space-group symmetry operations, part of the boundaries have to be excluded from the asymmetric unit.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL WYCKOFF POSITIONS SITE-SYMMETRY

Group Actions

Group Actions A group action of a group \mathcal{G} on a set $\Omega = \{\omega \mid \omega \in \Omega\}$ assigns to each pair (g, ω) an object $\omega' = g(\omega)$ of Ω such that the following hold:

(i) applying two group elements g and g' consecutively has the same effect as applying the product g'g, *i.e.* g'(g(ω)) = (g'g)(ω)
(ii) applying the identity element e of G has no effect on ω, *i.e.* e(ω) = ω for all ω in Ω.

Orbit and Stabilizer

The set $\omega^{\mathcal{G}} := \{g(\omega) \mid g \in \mathcal{G}\}\)$ of all objects in the orbit of ω is called the *orbit of* ω *under* \mathcal{G} . The set $S_{\mathcal{G}}(\omega) := \{g \in \mathcal{G} \mid g(\omega) = \omega\}\)$ of group elements that do

not move the object ω is a subgroup of \mathcal{G} called the *stabilizer* of ω in \mathcal{G} .

Equivalence classes

Via this equivalence relation, the action of \mathcal{G} partitions the objects in Ω into equivalence classes

General and special Wyckoff positions

Orbit of a point X_o under G: $G(X_o) = \{(W,w)X_o,(W,w) \in G\}$ Multiplicity

Site-symmetry group S_o={(W,w)} of a point X_o

 $(W,w)X_{o} = X_{o}$



Multiplicity: $|P|/|S_o|$

General position X_o

$$S=\{(1, \mathbf{o})\} \simeq 1$$

Multiplicity: |P|

Special position X_o

 $S > 1 = \{(1, o), ..., \}$ Multiplicity: $|P|/|S_o|$

Oriented symbols of site-symmetry groups

General position



(ii) short-hand notation of the matrix-column pairs
 (W,w) of the symmetry operations of G

-presentation of infinite symmetry operations of G $(W,w) = (I,t_n)(W,w_0), 0 \le w_{i0} < I$

General Position of Space groups



Example: Calculation of the Site-symmetry groups



QUIZ: Calculation of the Site-symmetry groups



Hint: $S=\{(W,w), (W,w)X_{\circ} = X_{\circ}\}$

QUIZ: Calculation of the Site-symmetry groups



EXAMPLE

Space group P4mm

General and special Wyckoff positions of P4mm



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



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WYCKPOS

Problem: Wyckoff positions Site-symmetry groups Coordinate transformations



	C	Ccce	D_{2h}^{22}		mmm		т	Orthorhombic	
	N	o. 68	$C \ 2/c \ $			'e			Patterson symmetry $Cmmm$
1	6	<i>i</i> 1	(1) x, y, z (5) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$	(2) (6)	$ \bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, z x + \frac{1}{2}, y, \bar{z} $	(3) \bar{x}, y, \bar{z} (7) x, \bar{y}, z	$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$	(4) $x +$ (8) $\bar{x} +$	$\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, y, z + \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$
8	h	2	$\frac{1}{4}, 0, z$	$\frac{3}{4}, 0, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}, 0, \overline{z}$	$\frac{1}{4}, 0, z + \frac{1}{2}$			Pr CR
8	g	2	$0, \frac{1}{4}, z$	$0, \frac{1}{4}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, \overline{z}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, z + \frac{1}{2}$			WILEY Space-group symmetry Edited by Mois I. Aroyo
8	f	. 2 .	$0, y, \frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}, \bar{y}, \frac{1}{4}$	$0, \bar{y}, \frac{3}{4}$	Wyckof	f Posi	tions of	Group 68 (Ccce) [origin choice 2]
8	е	2	$x, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$	$\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$	$ar{x},rac{3}{4},rac{3}{4}$	Multiplicity	Wyckoff	Site	Coordinates
8	d	Ī	0, 0, 0	$\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0$	$0,0,rac{1}{2}$	wattplicity	letter	symmetry	(0,0,0) + (1/2,1/2,0) +
8	с	Ī	$\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, 0$	$\tfrac{1}{4}, \tfrac{1}{4}, 0$	$\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{2}$	16	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)
4	b	222	$0, rac{1}{4}, rac{3}{4}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$		8	h	2	(1/4,0,z) (3/4,0,-z+1/2) (3/4,0,-z) (1/4,0,z+1/2)
4	а	222	$0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$	$0, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$		8	g	2	(0,1/4,z) (0,1/4,-z+1/2) (0,3/4,-z) (0,3/4,z+1/2)
						8	f	.2.	(0,y,1/4) (1/2,-y,1/4) (0,-y,3/4) (1/2,y,3/4)
Space Group : 68 (Ccce) [origin choice 2 Point : (0,1/4,1/4) Wyckoff Position : 4a			8	е	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	d	-1	(0,0,0) (1/2,0,0) (0,0,1/2) (1/2,0,1/2)			
			Site Sym	metry Grou	p 222	8	с	-1	(1/4,3/4,0) (1/4,1/4,0) (3/4,3/4,1/2) (3/4,1/4,1/2)
				$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$		4	b	222	(0,1/4,3/4) (0,3/4,1/4)
		х,у,2	0	0 1 0)	4	а	222	(0,1/4,1/4) (0,3/4,3/4)
	-)	(,y,-z+1/2	$\begin{pmatrix} -1\\ 0\\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 -1 1/2	2)	2 0,y,1/4			
	-X	⟨,-y+1/2,z	$\begin{pmatrix} -1\\ 0\\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	0 0 0 -1 0 1/3 0 1 0	2)	2 0,1/4,z		Bilba	ao Crystallographic
	х,-у	+1/2,-z+1/2		$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{array}$	2)	2 x,1/4,1/4			Server

Example WYCKPOS: Wyckoff Positions Ccce (68)



Site Symmetry Group 222

x,y,z	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right)$	1
-x+1,y,-z+1/2	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrrr} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{array}\right)$	2 1/2,y,1/4
-x+1,-y+1/2,z	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrrr} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right)$	2 1/2,1/4,z
x,-y+1/2,-z+1/2	$\left(\begin{array}{rrrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1/2 \end{array}\right)$	2 x,1/4,1/4