

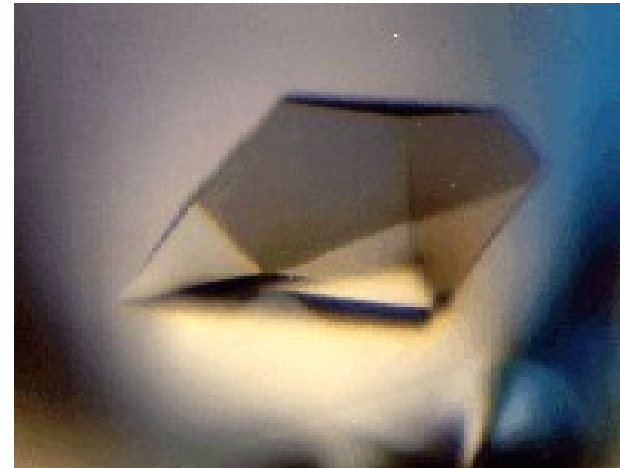
Bioinformatics III

Analysis and prediction of 3D macromolecule structures

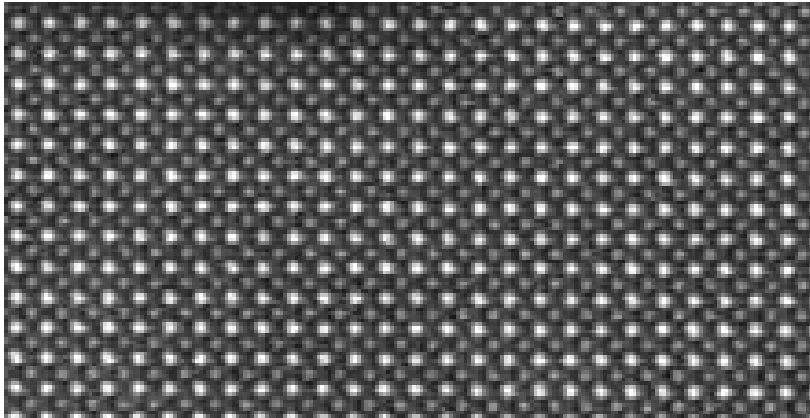
Lecture 8 – symmetry

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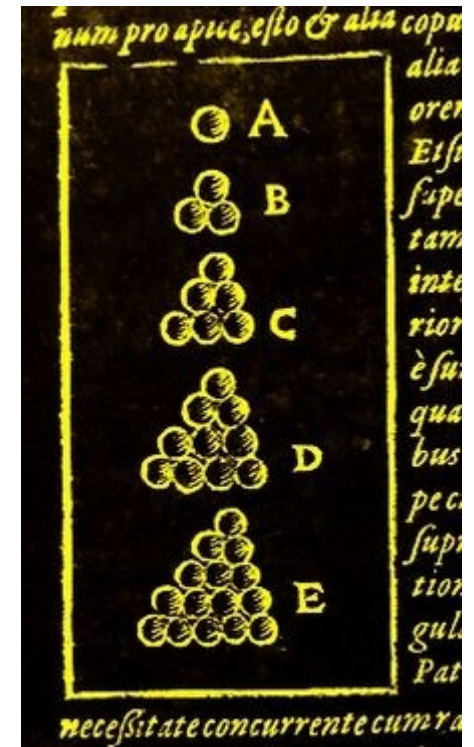
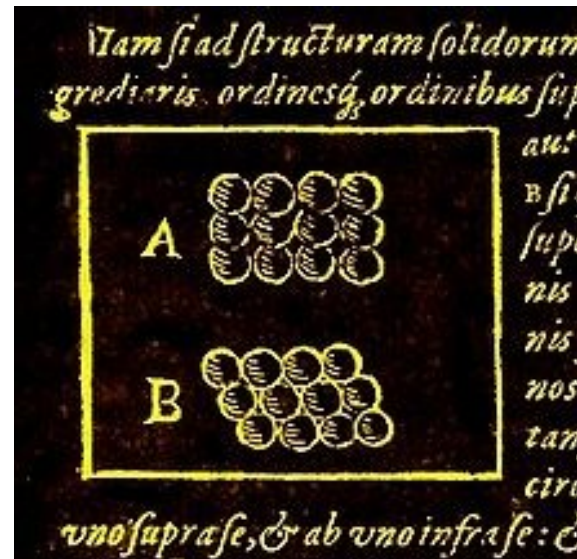
Crystals



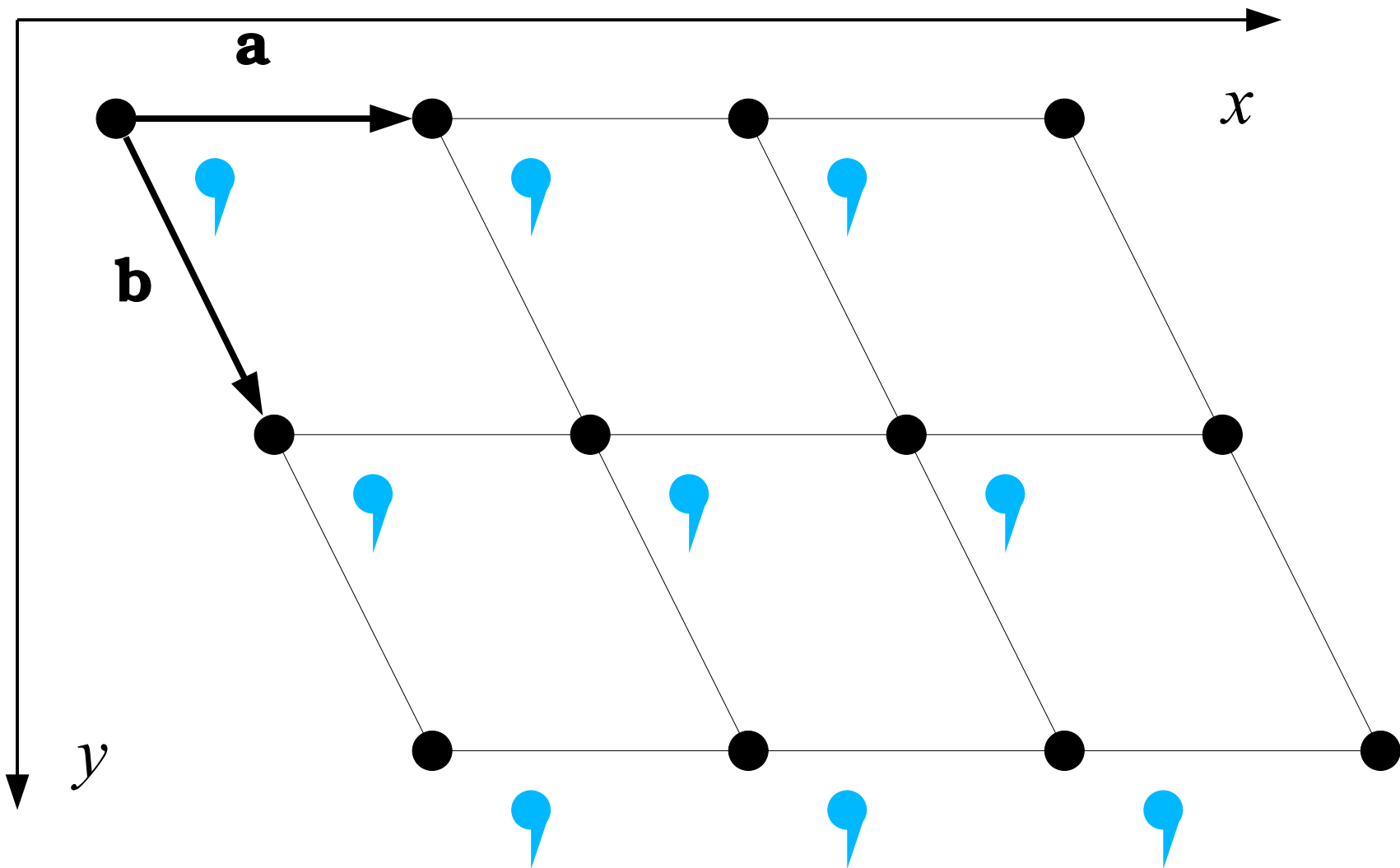
Explanation of crystal shape



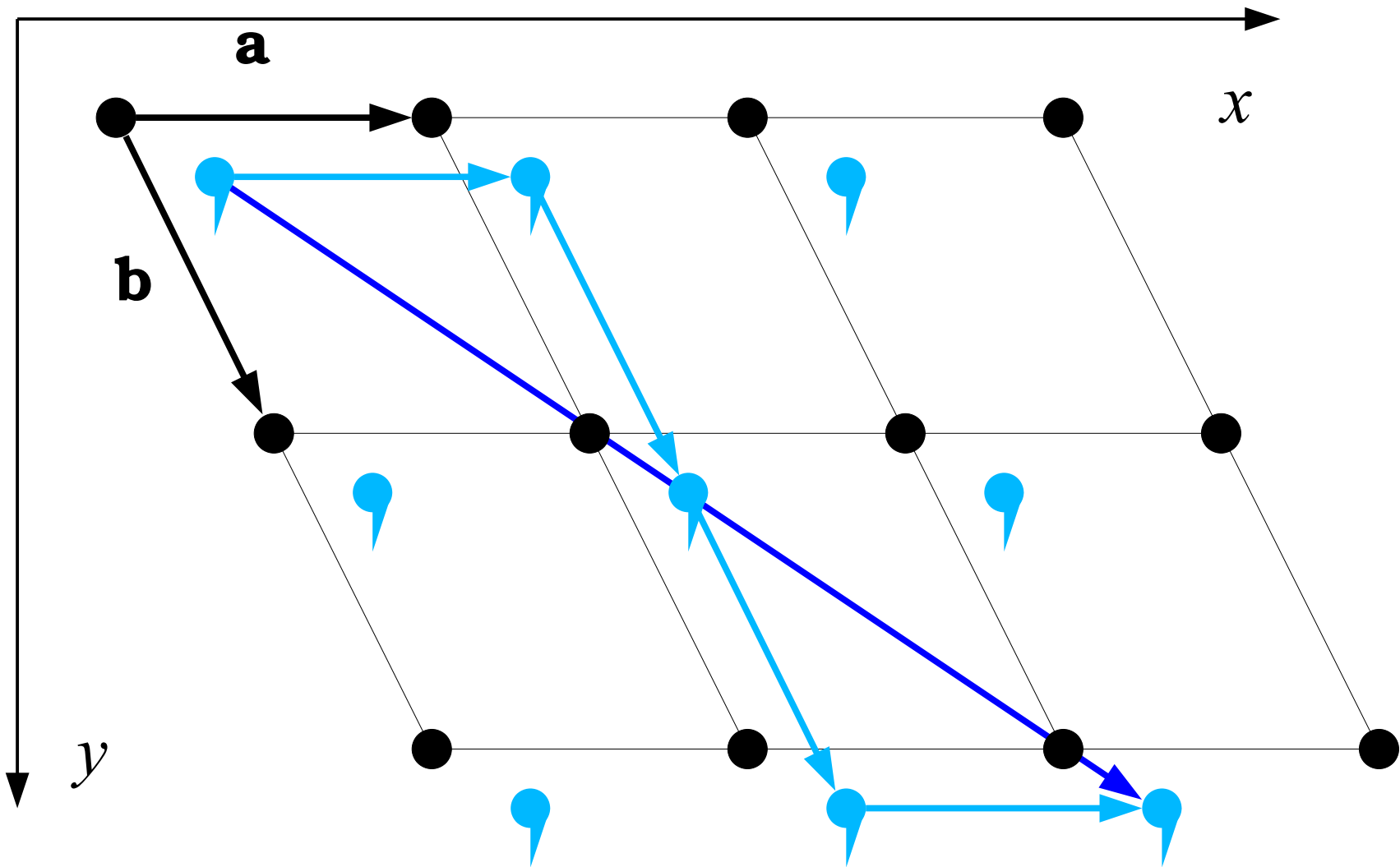
Johannes Kepler
1611 m. „Strena Seu
de Nive Sexangula“
(A New Year's Gift of
Hexagonal Snow)



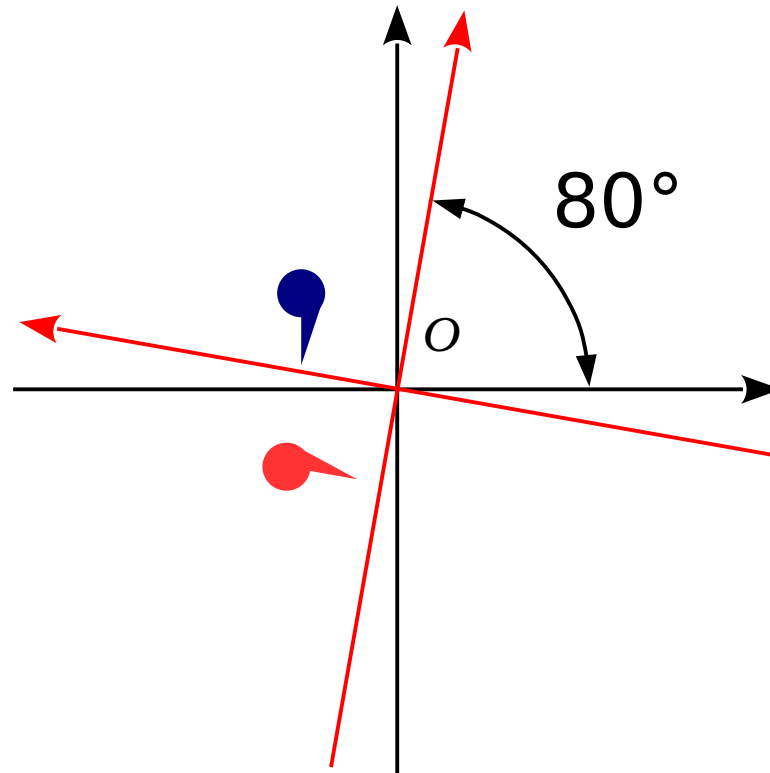
Periodicity and translations



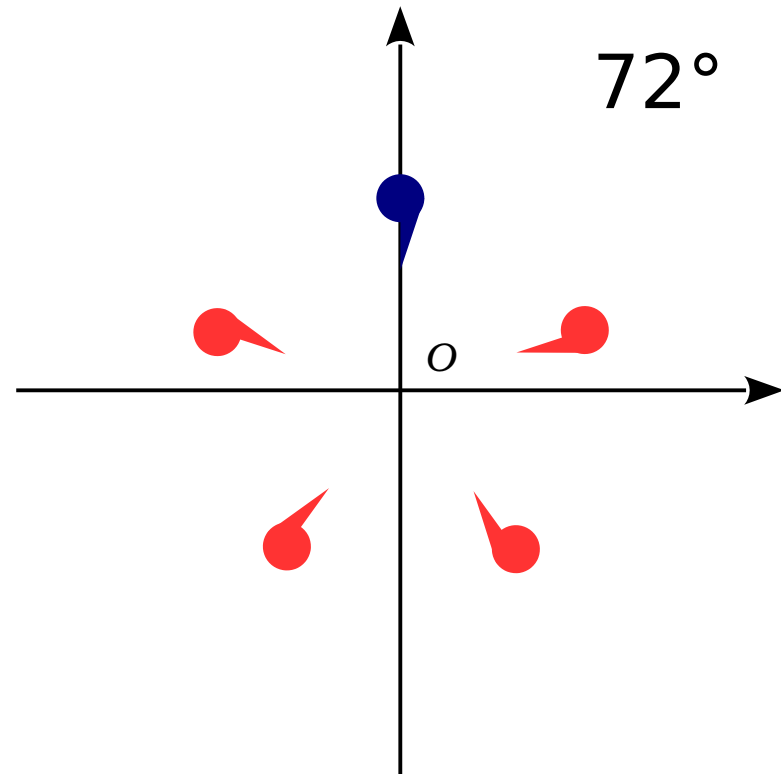
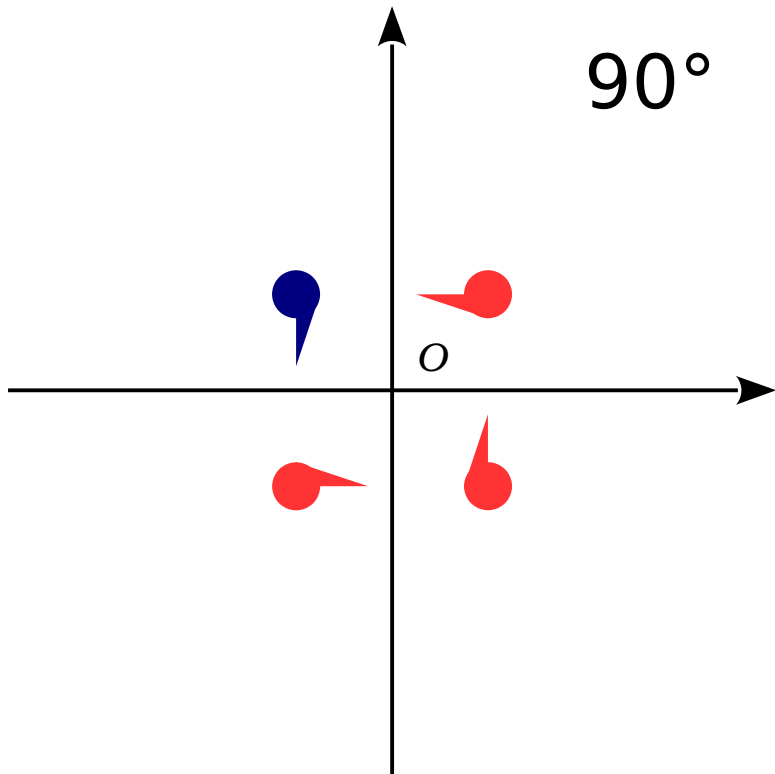
The translation group



Point symmetry elements



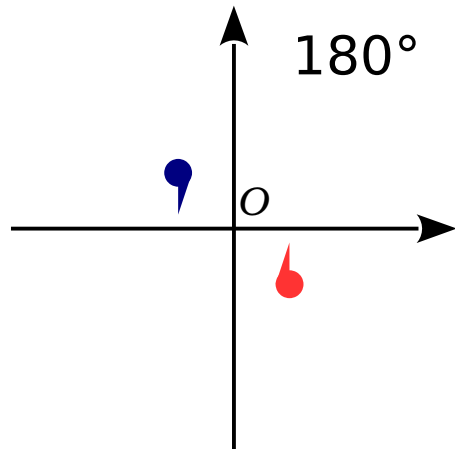
Point groups



Description of symmetry

Coordinates of a general position:

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



Rotation matrix + translation

$$\vec{x}' = R \vec{x} + \vec{T}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \\ t_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Combination of symmetry elements

$$\vec{x}' = R\vec{x} + \vec{T}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{x}'' &= R'(R\vec{x} + \vec{T}) + \vec{T}' = \\ &= R'R\vec{x} + R'\vec{T} + \vec{T}'\end{aligned}$$

$$S = R + \vec{T}; S' = R' + \vec{T}'$$

$$S'S = R'R + (R'\vec{T}' + \vec{T}')$$

$$R'R = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$-x, -y, z$

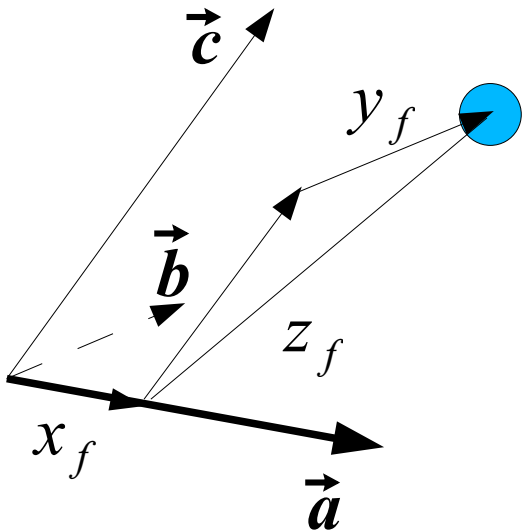
$-x, y, -z$

$x, -y, -z$

Coordinates

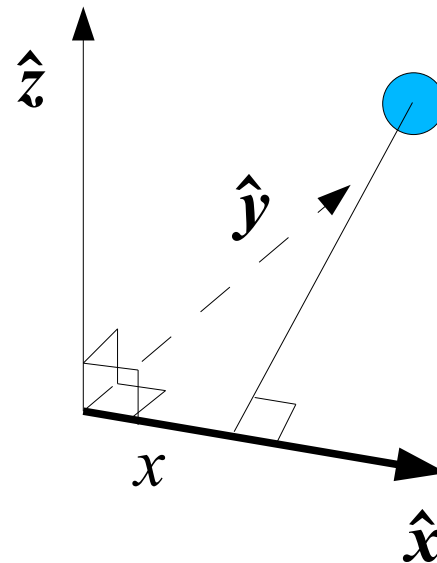
Fractional

(as fractions of unit cell vectors)



Cartesian
(orthonormal)

In an orthonormal basis (coordinate system)



Coordinate transformations (Perl)

$$\vec{x}' = R\vec{x} + \vec{T}_o$$

```
sub symop_ortho_from_fract
{
    my @cell = @_;
    my ($a, $b, $c) = @cell[0..2];
    my ($alpha, $beta, $gamma) = map { $Pi * $_ / 180 } @cell[3..5];
    my ($ca, $cb, $cg) = map { cos } ($alpha, $beta, $gamma);
    my $sg = sin($gamma);

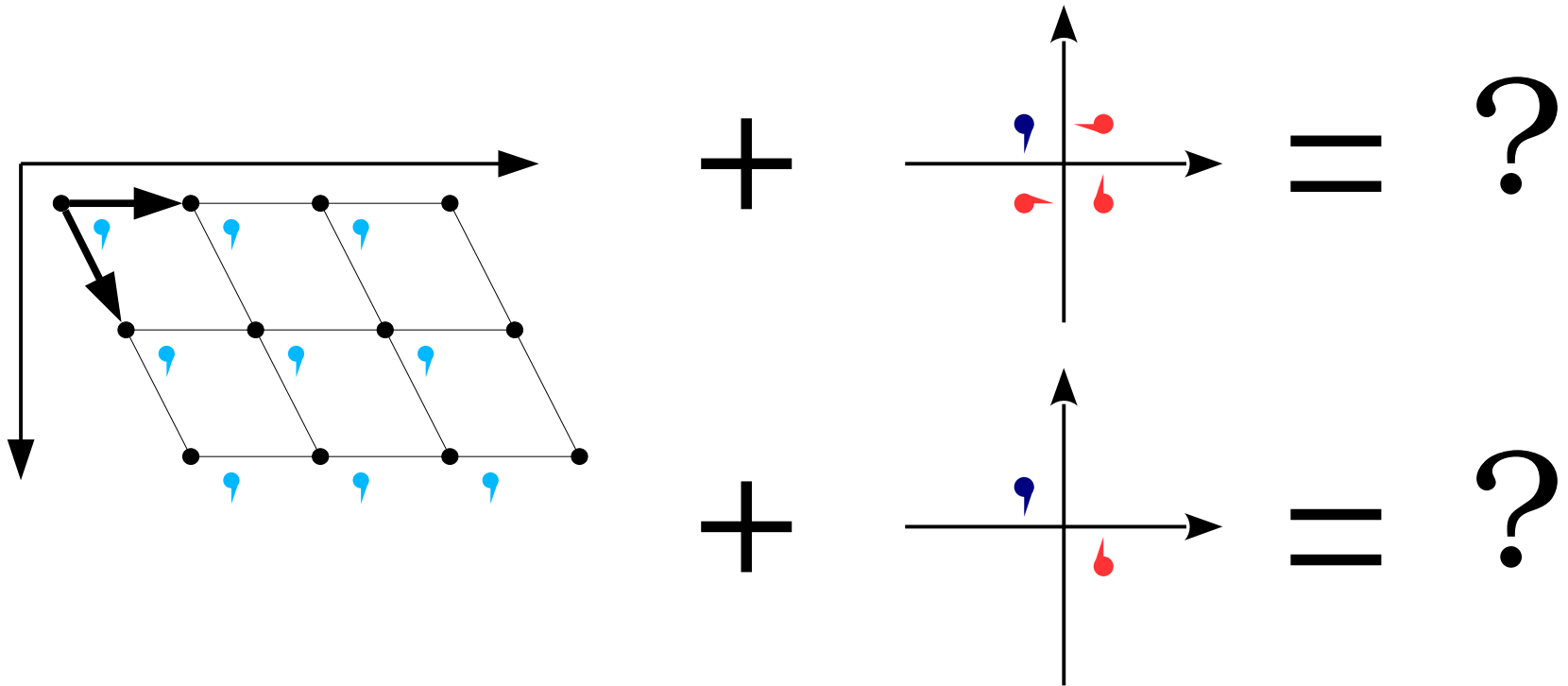
    return [
        [ $a, $b*$cg, $c*$cb ],
        [ 0, $b*$sg, $c*($ca-$cb*$cg)/$sg ],
        [ 0, 0,
          $c*sqrt($sg*$sg-$ca*$ca-$cb*$cb+2*$ca*$cb*$cg)/$sg ]
    ];
}
```

Coordinate transformations (Ada)

$$\vec{x}' = R \vec{x} + \vec{T}_o$$

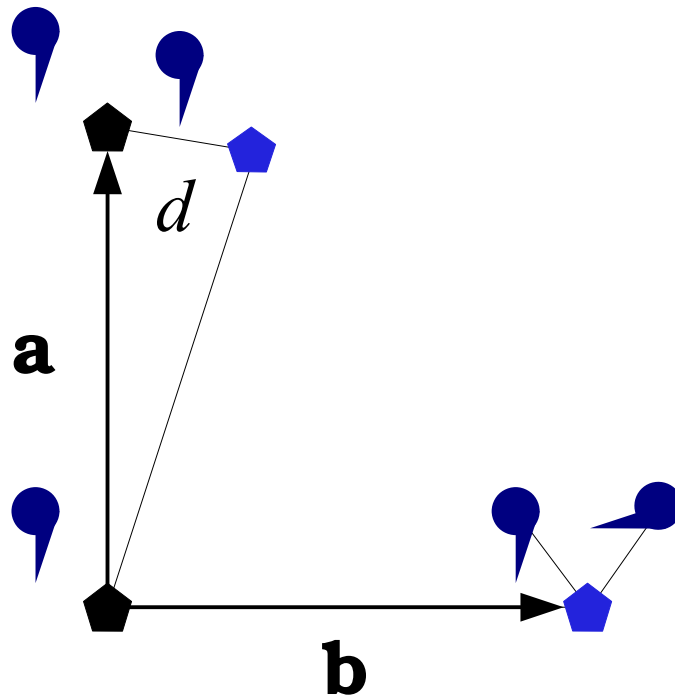
```
function Matrix_Ortho_From_Fract ( Cell : Unit_Cell_Type )
    return Matrix3x3
is
    A : Long_Float := Cell(1);
    B : Long_Float := Cell(2);
    C : Long_Float := Cell(3);
    Alpha : Long_Float := Cell(4) * Ada.Numerics.Pi / 180.0; -- in radians;
    Beta : Long_Float := Cell(5) * Ada.Numerics.Pi / 180.0;
    Gamma : Long_Float := Cell(6) * Ada.Numerics.Pi / 180.0;
    CA : Long_Float := Cos(Alpha);
    CB : Long_Float := Cos(Beta);
    CG : Long_Float := Cos(Gamma);
    SG : Long_Float := Sin(Gamma);
begin
    return (
        ( A, B * CG, C * CB ),
        ( 0.0, B * SG, C * (CA - CB*CG) / SG ),
        ( 0.0, 0.0,
          C * Sqrt (SG*SG - CA*CA - CB*CB + 2.0*CA*CB*CG)/SG )
    );
end;
```

Translations with point groups = space groups



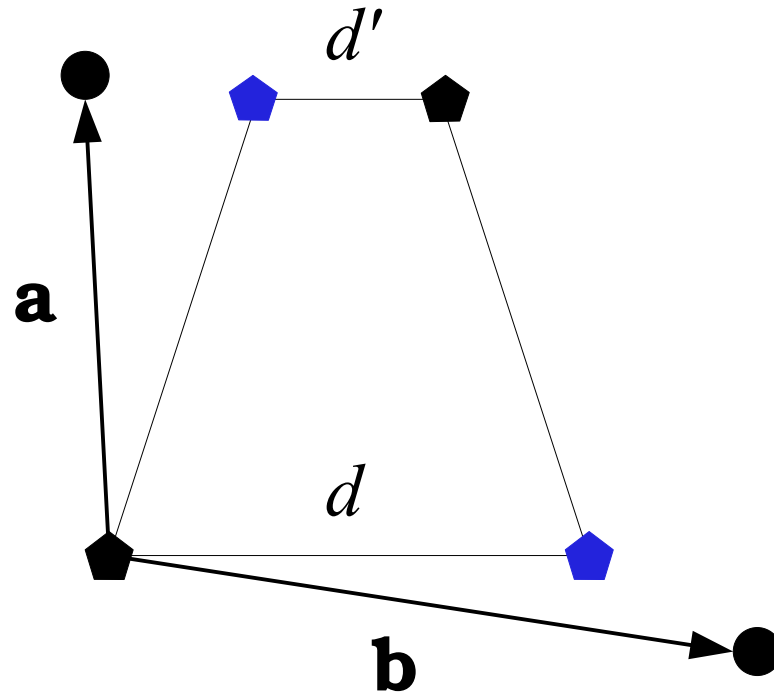
Symmetry elements compatible with lattices

Why don't you see five-sided snowflakes?

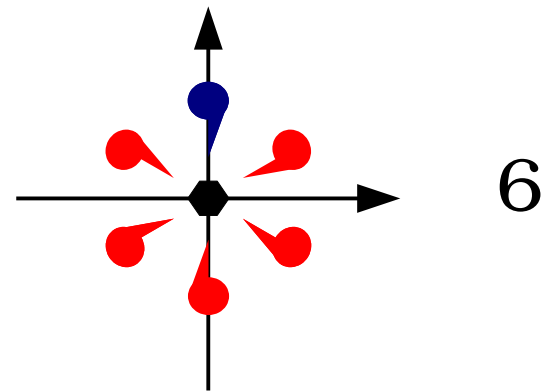
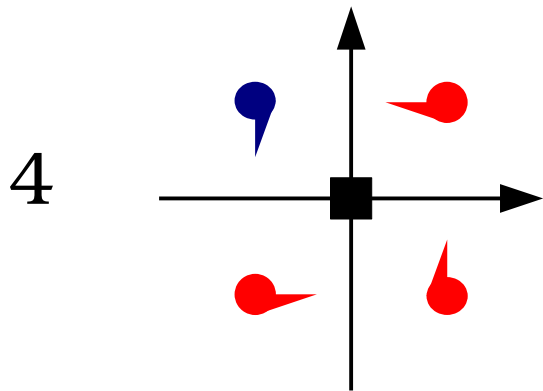
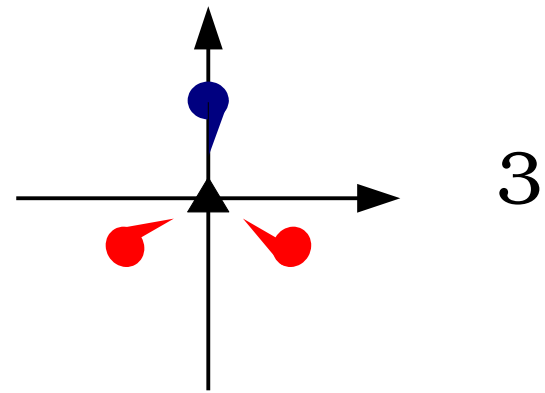
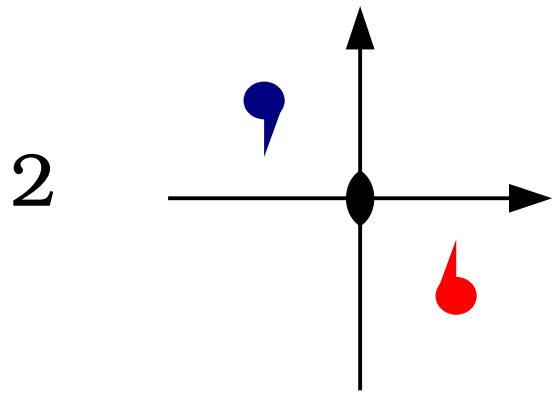


Symmetry elements compatible with lattices

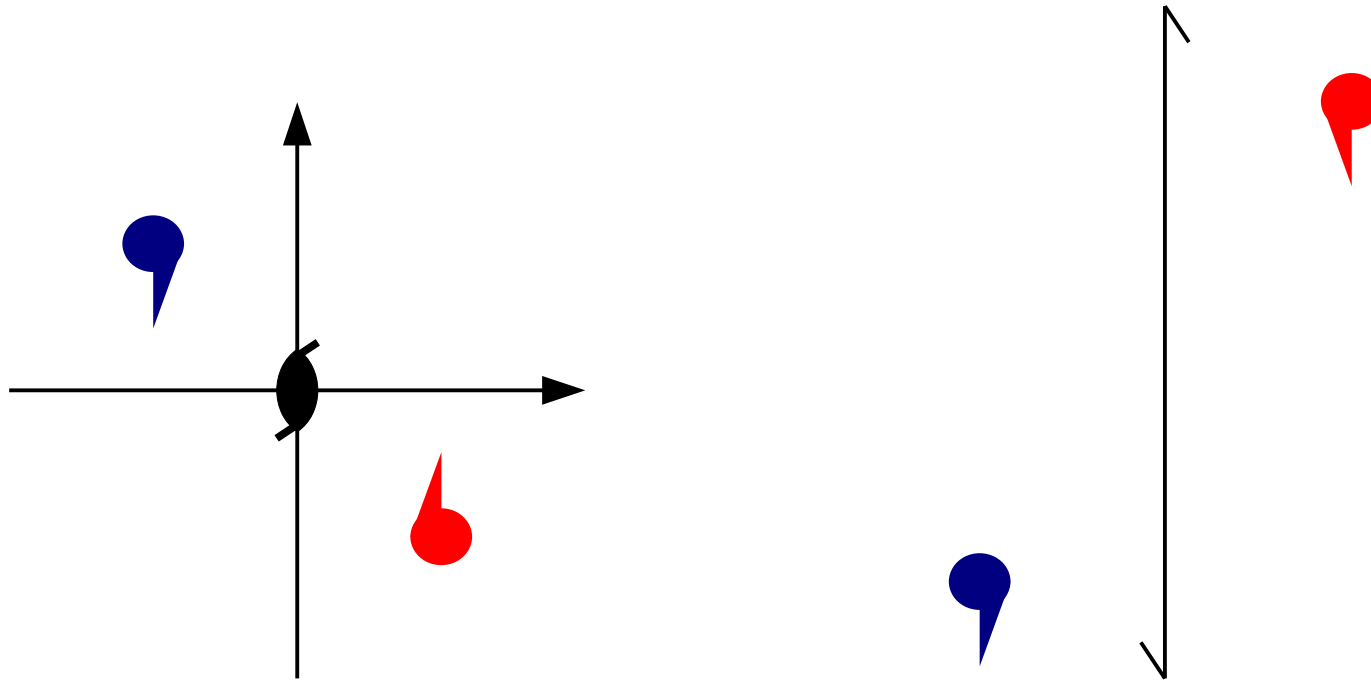
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Symmetry elements: rotation axes



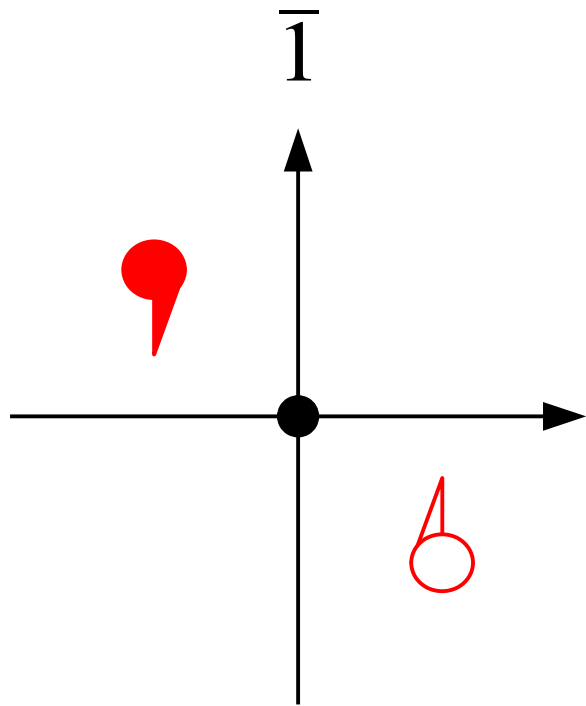
Symmetry elements: screw axes



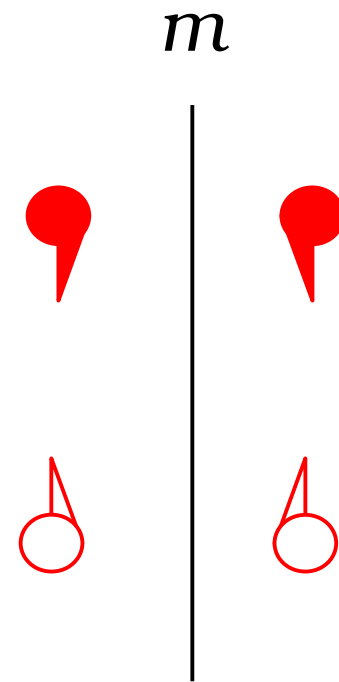
Sraigtinės ašys: 2_1

Kitos galimybės: $3_1, 3_2, 4_1, 4_2, 4_3, 6_1, 6_2, 6_3, 6_4, 6_5$

Inversion centres and mirror planes

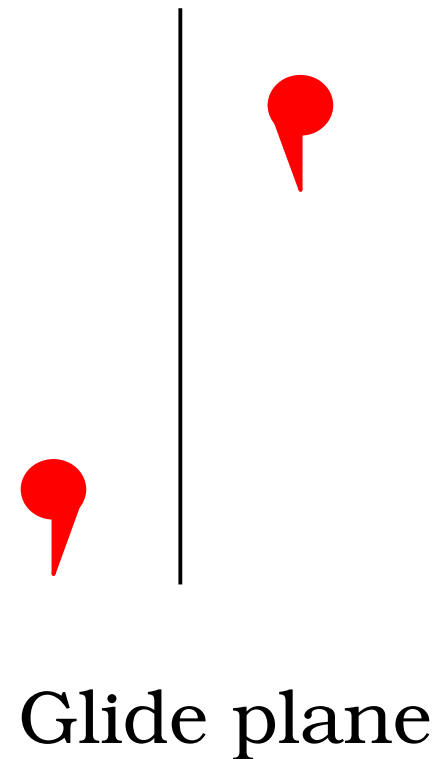
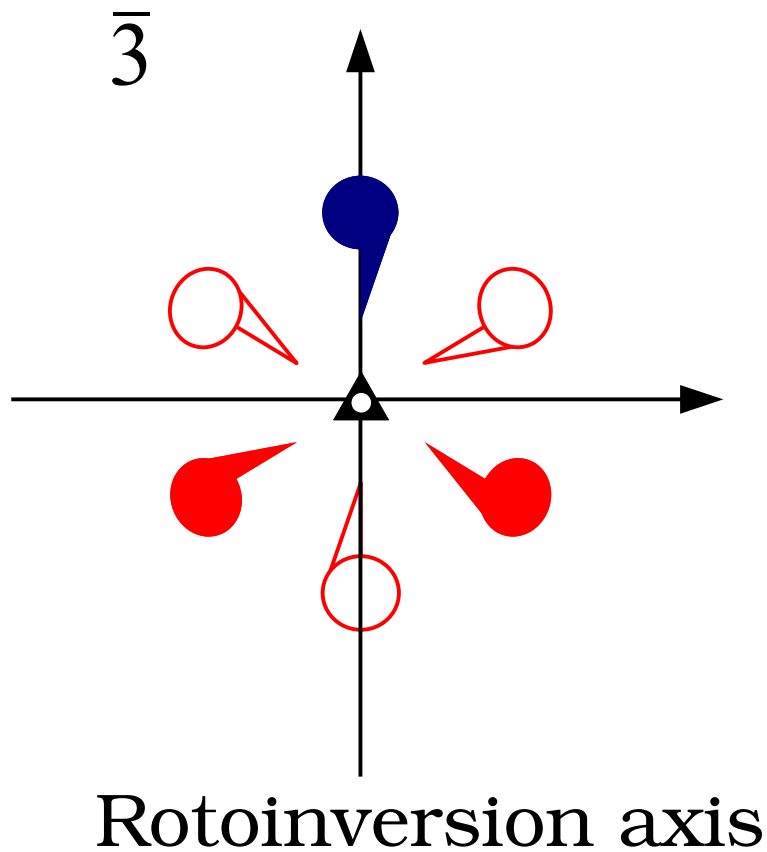


Inversion centre



Mirror plane

Rotoinversion axes; glide planes



Nomenclature of space groups

Hermann–Mauguin symbols

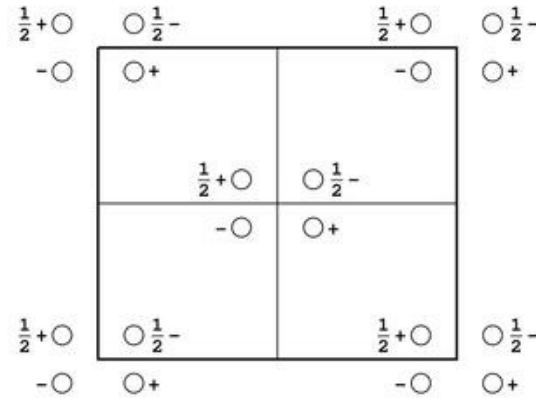
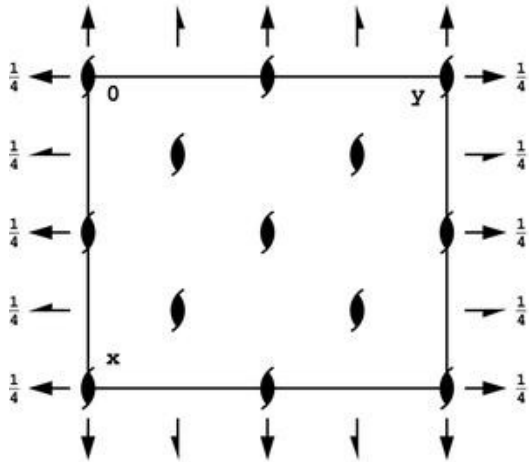
e.g.: $P2_12_12_1$ C2 F432

- 230 space groups
- 65 Sohncke groups (preserve chirality; available for biomolecules ;)

Other nomenclatures:
Schönflies symbols, Hall symbols

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$C222_1$



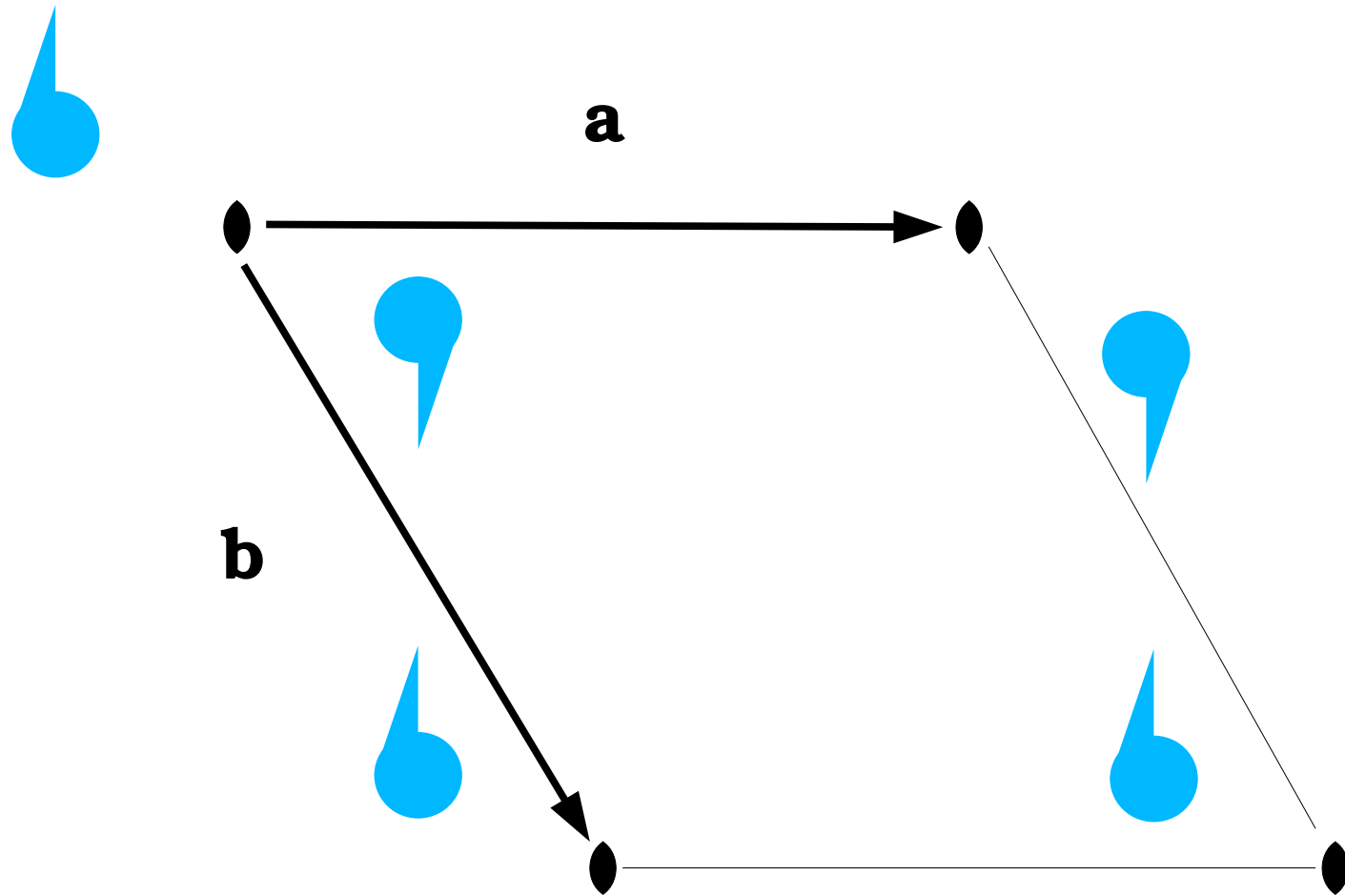
- (1) x, y, z
- (2) $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, z + \frac{1}{2}$
- (3) $\bar{x}, y, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$
- (4) x, \bar{y}, \bar{z}
- (5) $x + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, z$
- (6) $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{y} + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$
- (7) $\bar{x} + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{z} + \frac{1}{2}$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

Space group $C222_1$:

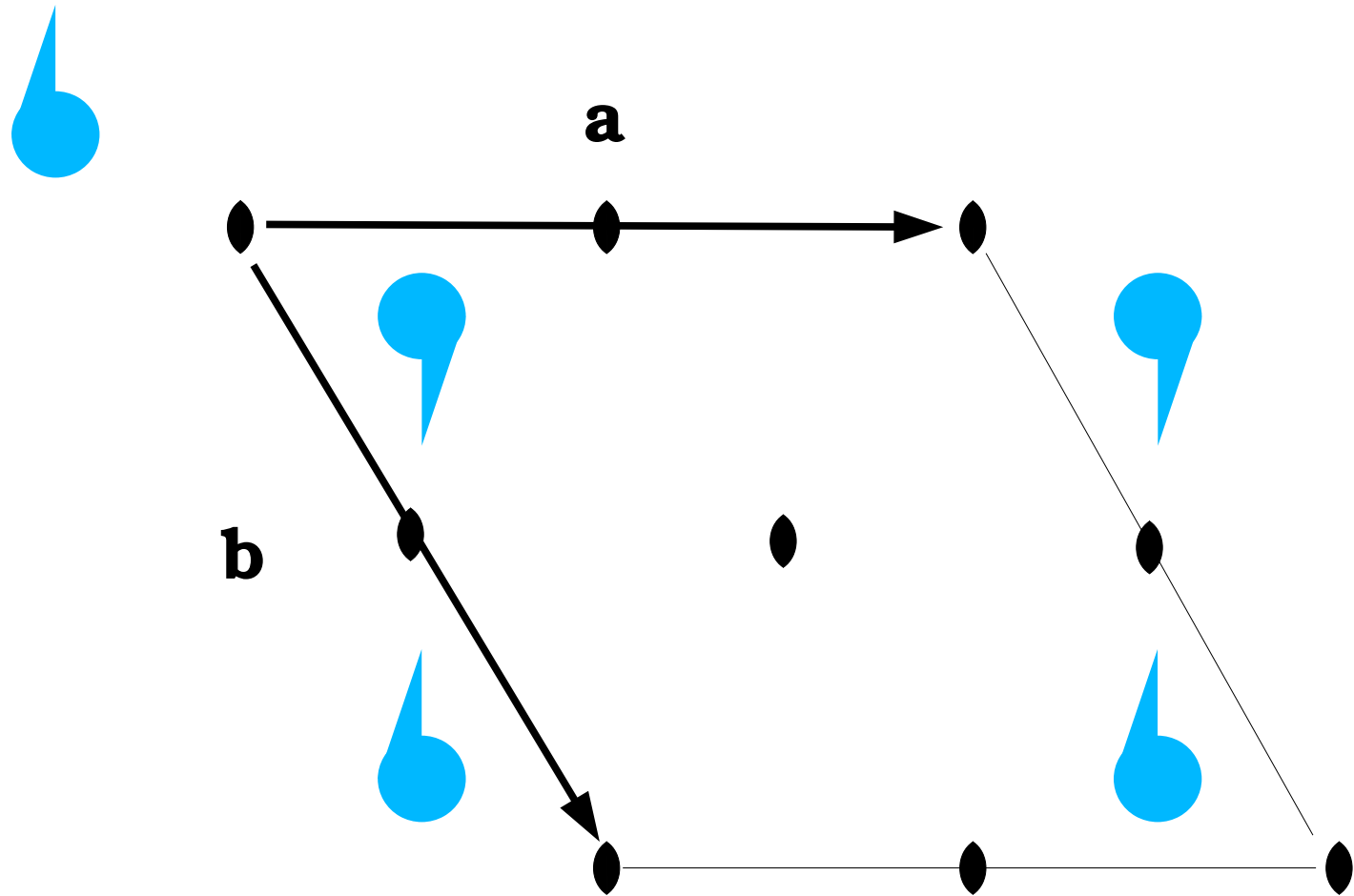
Multiplicity, Wyckoff letter, Site symmetry	Coordinates
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4 <i>b</i> .2.	$0, y, \frac{1}{4}$ $0, \bar{y}, \frac{3}{4}$
4 <i>a</i> 2..	$x, 0, 0$ $\bar{x}, 0, \frac{1}{2}$

Zbigniew Dauter; Mariusz Jaskolski *How to read (and understand) Volume A of International Tables for Crystallography...*, JAC 43(5) 2010
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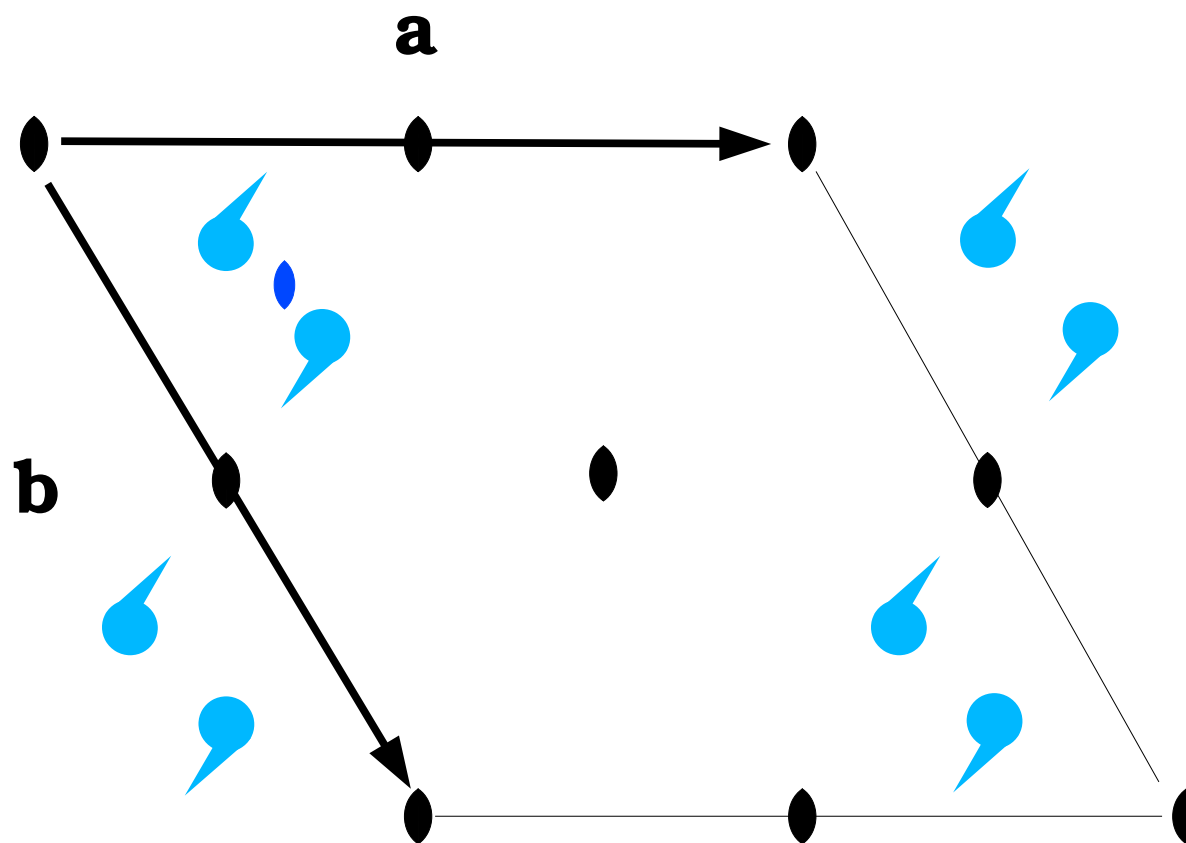
Filling the lattice



Asymmetric unit



Nekristalografinė simetrija



Relation of asymmetric and biological unit

- Asymmetric unit contains one or several protein/NA chains
- Biological unit can have various relations to the asymmetric unit ($1/2$, 2 , $1\ 1/2$, and so forth)