## Heegaard Splitting of Critical Nets on Orbifolds

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What is a Critical Net? — A way of summarizing the relevant topological features into a single graph. Simply represent each atom by its thermal-motion density and then find the critical points and their topological connections.

Minimum gradient:

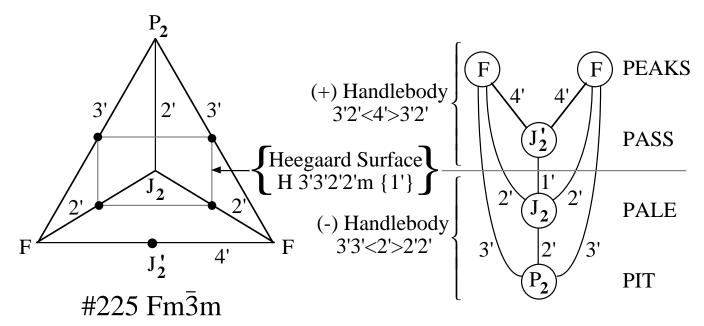
Peak  $\rightarrow$  Pass  $\rightarrow$  Pale  $\rightarrow$  Pit Maximum gradient:

 $Peak \rightarrow Pit$ 

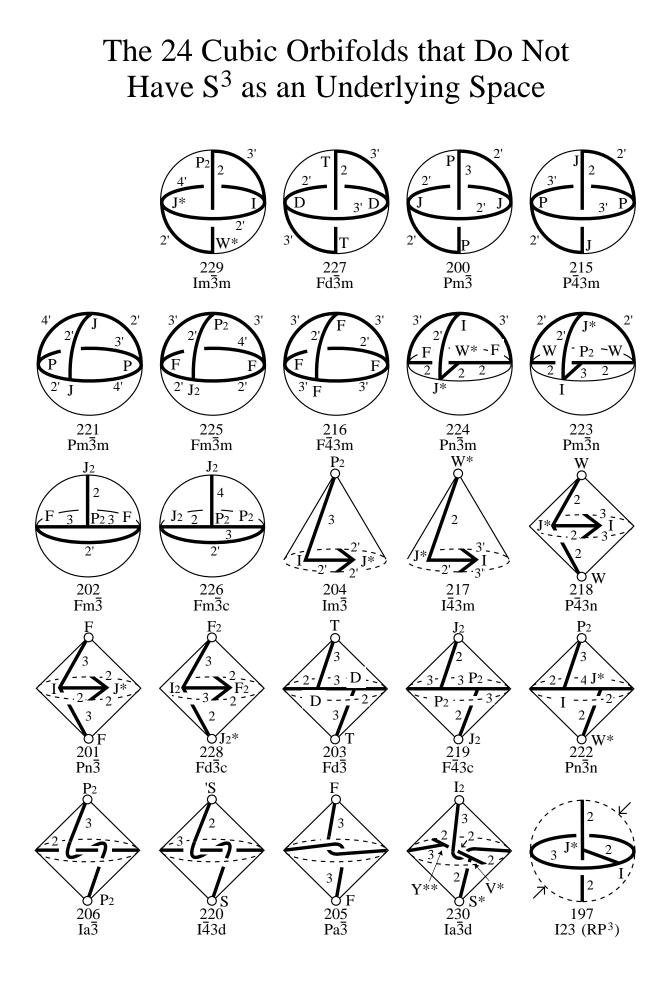
What is an Orbifold? — A way to eliminate symmetry repetition. Simply divide Euclidean 3-space by the space group symmetry to obtain a wrapped-up asymmetric unit without discontinuities. The geometric symmetry elements appear as a singular-set graph in the orbifold. Critical nets may be superimposed onto orbifolds. What is Heegaard Splitting? — A Heegaard surface separates the peaks + passes from the pales + pits. It splits the orbifold into a pair of handlebody orbifolds.

## Example Heegaard Splitting of Orbifold

Orbifold (left) and critical net on orbifold (right). The Heegaard surface is a 2-orbifold joining two handlebody 3-orbifolds to form the Euclidean 3-orbifold.

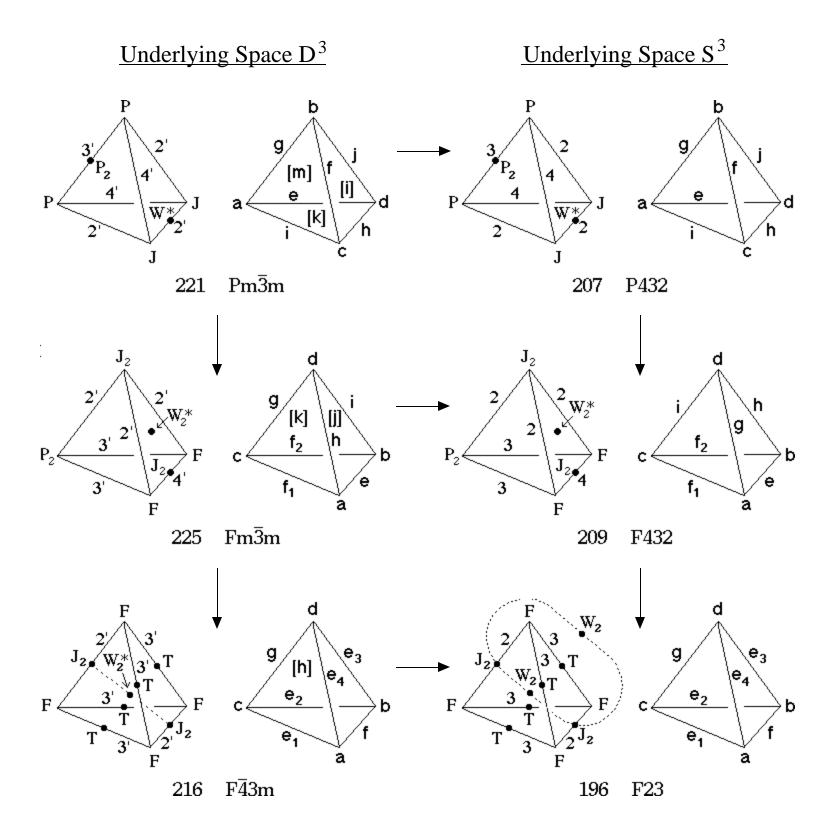


This 3-orbifold is bounded by the mirror faces of the Fm $\overline{3}$ m tetrahedral asymmetric unit. Symbols and integers denote invariant lattice complex sites and symmetry axes numbers, respectively. NaCl critical net on Fm3m orbifold with circled critical points on sites F,F/J2'/J2/P2. Na and Cl are on the two F critical point sites.

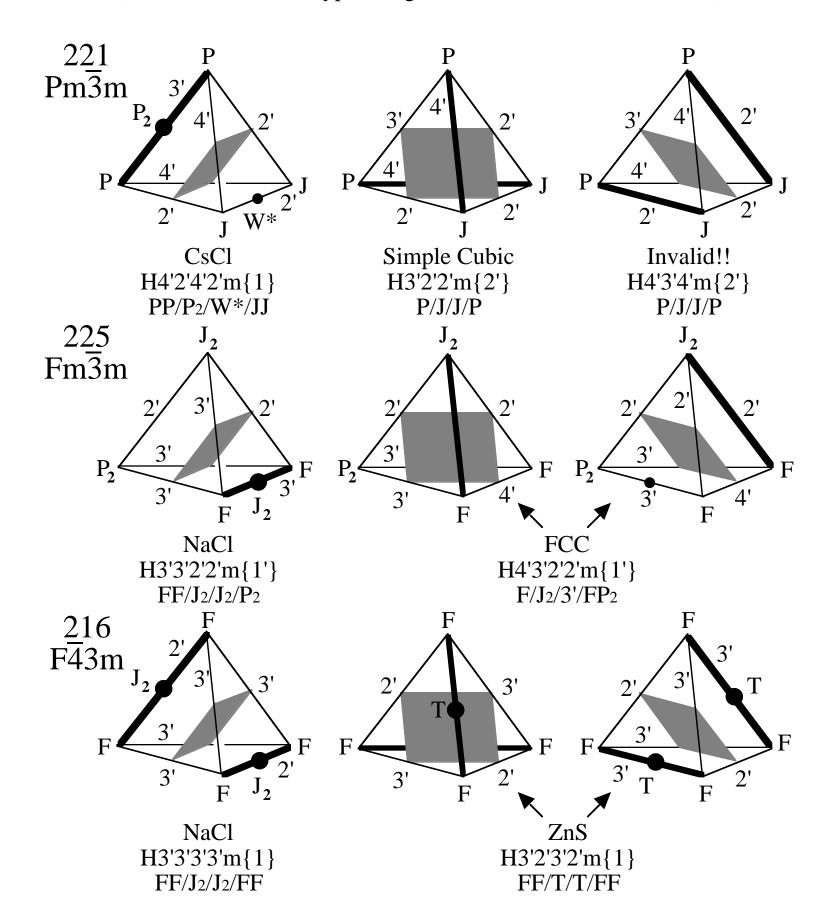


#### Tetrahedral Euclidean 3-Orbifolds

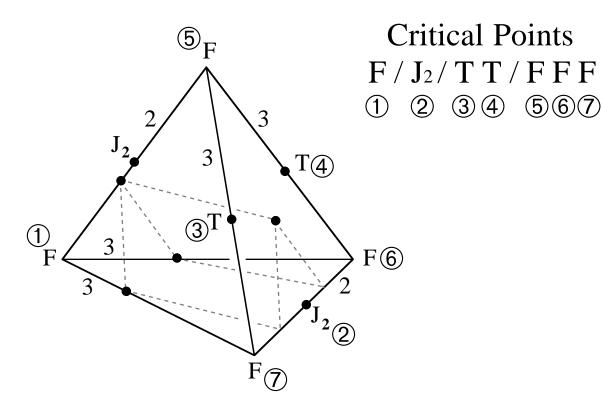
Left figure - axis-order integers (primed if on mirror) and lattice complex symbols. Right figure - Wyckoff site letters in [] if mirrors. Arrow denotes index-2 subgroup.



#### Normal Quadrilateral Heegaard Surfaces for the Three Nonorientable Tetrahedral Cubic Orbifolds (Labels = Structure Type-Heegaard Surface-Critical Point Set)



## FCC Heegaard Splitting of the F23 3-Orbifold



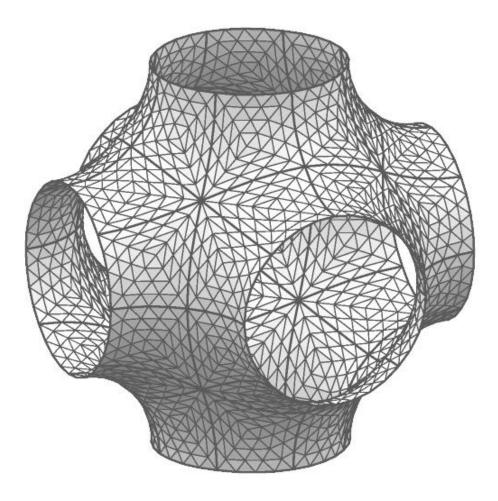
32<3>2<3>32(-) handlebodyH33222{11}Heegaard surface332<1>22(+) handlebody

Note: A partitioning along (1,2), (5) forms subtetrahedra (1,2), (5), (7) and (1,2), (5), (6), which can each undergo a quadrilateral normal surface splitting. When the pieces are properly recombined, the Heegaard splitting shown here is produced. Arbitrarily complex critical nets (crystal structures) on any crystallographic space group 3-orbifold can be split into tetrahedra for normal (or "almost normal") surface analysis.

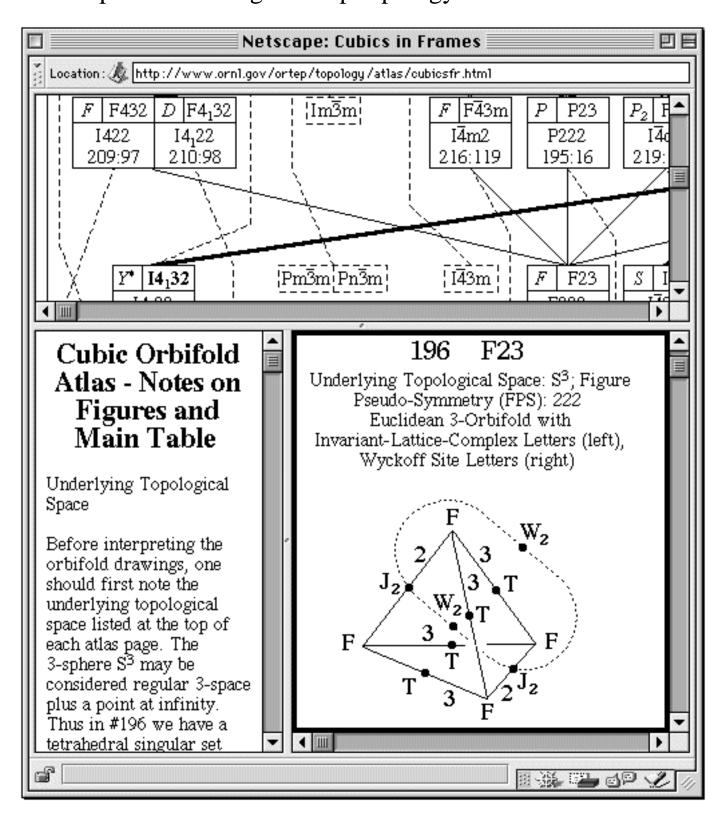
### The Simple-Cubic Heegaard Surface Approximates Schwartz's P Surface (A Triply Periodic Minimal Surface)

Unit cell drawing from Brakke's Surface Evolver program Reference:http://www.susqu.edu/FacStaff/b/brakke/evolver /examples/periodic/periodic.html

> Heavy lines are mirrors of  $Pm\overline{3}m$ . Note the H3'2'2'2'm surface motif.



#### Frames Option for Viewing Cubic Orbifold Atlas http://www.ornl.gov/ortep/topology/atlas/cubcsfr.html



## Online Cubic Euclidean 3-Orbifold Atlas

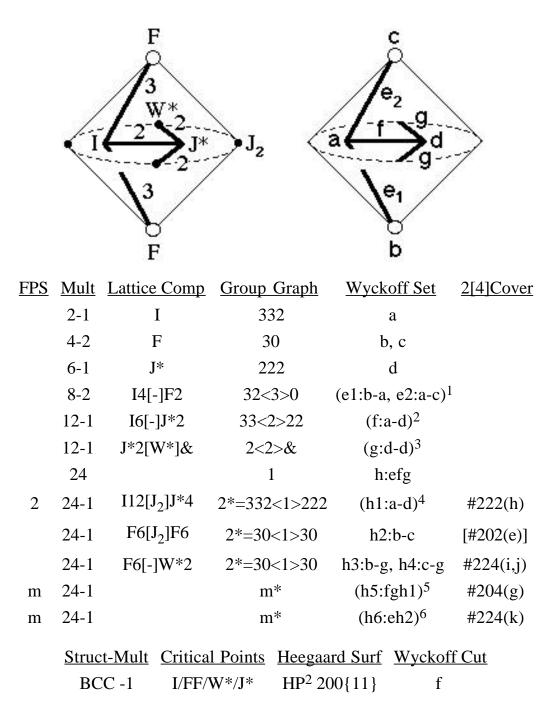
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Two singular set 3-orbifold drawings on each orbifold with singular set and invariant lattice complex symbols. The following data provide analytical support for the drawings.

- 1. Underlying topological space.
- 2. Orbifold drawing pseudo-symmetry.
- 3. Wyckoff sets (of Wyckoff sites) based on group normalizer.
- 4. In-, uni-, di-, and trivariant lattice complexes and limiting lattice complexes grouped into characteristic (symmetry) and non-characteristic (pseudo-symmetry) singular sets.
- 5. Heegaard splitting examples.
- 6. Space group coordinates for invariant and limiting invariant lattice complex points.

#### Orbifold Atlas 201 Pn3

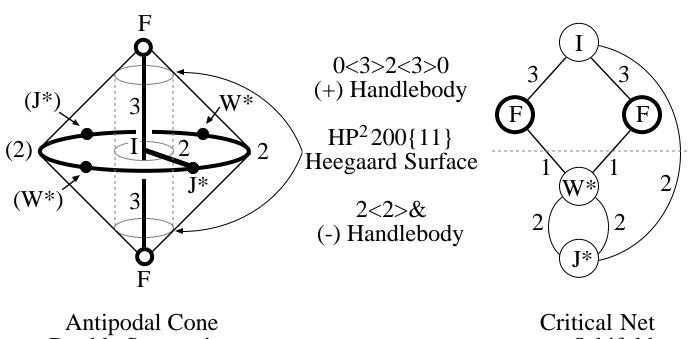
Underlying Topological Space: RP<sup>2</sup> double suspension; Figure Pseudo-Symmetry (FPS): 2mm Euclidean 3-Orbifold with Invariant-Lattice-Complex Letters (left), Wyckoff Site Letters (right)



Lattice Points: (1)  $0,0,0 + (1/4,1/4,1/4) \times 2$ ; (2) 1/4,1/4,1/4 + (0,1/2,1/2); (3) 1/4,3/4,3/4 + (-1/4,0,0) &; (4)  $1/4,1/4,1/4 + (0,-1/4,-1/4) \times 2$ : (5) 1/4,y,z; (6) x,x,z

### Heegaard Splitting of BCC Critical Net on Pn3 3-Orbifold

Topological Space: Double Suspension Real Projective Plane (RP<sup>2</sup>)



Double Suspension  $[W^* = (W^*), J^* = (J^*),$ 2 = (2)]

on Orbifold

# **Summary and Conclusions**

## **Orbifold** Atlas

- At http://www.ornl.gov/ortep/topology.html
- Scope- Cubic space groups (at present)
- Contents for each space group Orbifold singular set topology drawings Tabular data on

Characteristic singular set

= Space group symmetry

Non-characteristic singular set

= Space group pseudo symmetry

Wyckoff splitting examples

 $\rightarrow$  Possible basis set for all structures

### Theory (or Understanding) Needs

- Heegaard transmutation methods
- Normal surface equations

## **Computer Automation Needs**

- Orbifold data for remaining space groups
- Critical net derivation for known structures
- Heegaard transmutation mechanics
- Normal surface mechanics