

## Lect 6 Point group — proper point group

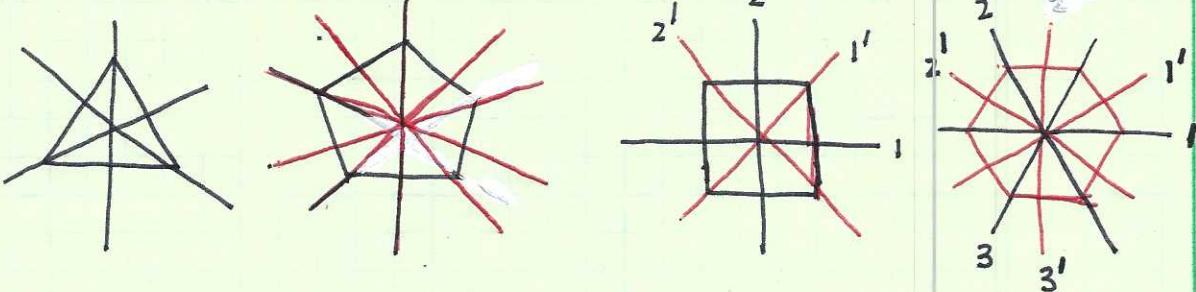
§ The proper point groups — rotation det  $O = 1$

n-fold axis — Schoenflies symbol  $C_n = R(\hat{n}, \frac{2\pi}{n})$   
international notation n

1° groups with only one axis —  $C_n$  or n

2° groups with 2-fold axes but only one n-fold axis  $n \geq 2$ .  
 $D_n$  or  $n_2$  for n odd, and  $n_{22}$  for n even.

The 2-fold axes need to be perpendicular to the n-fold axis, otherwise they will generate new n-fold axes. The n-fold axis generates n 2-fold axes.  $n_{22}$  for  $D_{2n}$  means the alternating 2-fold axes fall into two non-equivalent classes.

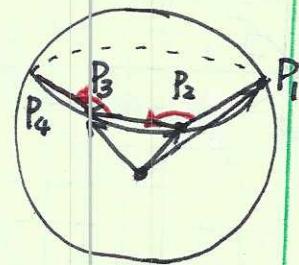


3° groups with more than one principle axis  $n > 2$ .

If two axes  $n > 2$  and  $n' > 2$  are present, the action of  $C_{n'}$  will at least create a new n-fold axes. Below we will show that if we have 2 n-fold axis, ( $n > 2$ ), their mutual action will generate a bunch of axes. The directions of these n-fold axes form regular polyhedrons on the unit sphere. This impose strong constraint on possible configurations.

Pick up 2 direction of n-fold axes on the unit sphere, whose distance to each other is the closest. They are denoted as  $P_1, P_2$ . Around the  $P_2$  axis,

Perform  $C_n'$  rotation, then  $P_1$  axis is rotated to  $P_3$ .



$P_1, P_2, P_3$  determine a plane, which cuts the sphere and the intersection is a circle. The points  $P_1, P_2, P_3$  on the circle can be repeated: Around the  $P_3$  axis,

perform  $C_1'$  rotation, we arrive another  $P_4$  axis on the circle.

Finally, this process needs to come back to  $P_1$ , i.e.,  $P_1, P_2 \dots P_5$  form a regular polygon with  $S$ -sides.

If we start from  $P_1$  and perform  $C_n$  rotation, we get another axis  $P'_2$  from  $P_2$ . Then we can repeat another process, and arrive at another regular polygon. All the  $n$ -fold axes are equivalent, and can be used for the above processes. Hence, all the  $n$ -fold axes form a repeating regular polyhedra. — Platonic Solids!

We denote  $(S, m)$ :  $S$  is # of sides of a face, and  $m$  is # of faces meeting at a vertex. Then according to  $V - E + F = 2$ .

$$V = F \cdot S / m, \quad E = F \cdot S / 2 \quad \text{where } V \text{ # of vertices, } E \text{ # of edges}$$

$F \text{ # of faces.}$

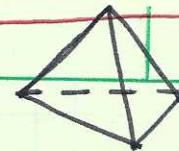
$$\Rightarrow \frac{F \cdot S}{m} - \frac{F \cdot S}{2} + F = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{S} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{F \cdot S}, \quad \text{because } F \geq 4, S \geq 3$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{F \cdot S} \leq \frac{1}{6}$

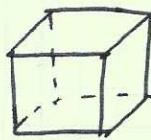
$$\frac{1}{2} < \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{S} \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

Solutions 1)  $m = s = 3, F = 4$

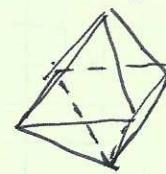


2)  $m = 3, s = 4$ , or  $m = 4, s = 3$ ,

$$F = 6$$



$$F = 8$$



3)  $m = 3, s = 5, F = 12$ , or  $s = 3, m = 5, F = 20$

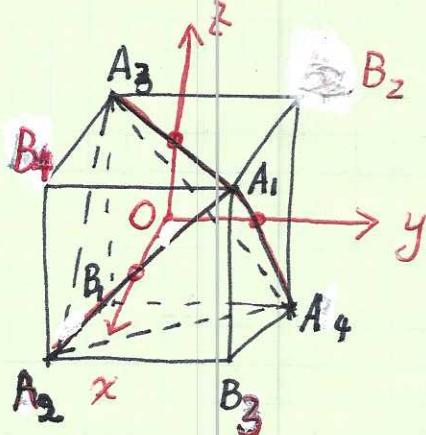
dodecahedron

icosahedron

### $\star T$ (tetrahedron) (23)

- The  $x, y, z$ -axis, use  $T_{x,y,z}$  to represent  $\frac{1}{2}$  rotation, then only  $T_x^2, T_y^2, T_z^2 \in T$ .

(They are 2-fold axes)



- The body diagonal direction rotation 3-fold axes

$$R_1: (e_x + e_y + e_z)/\sqrt{3}, \quad R_2: (e_x - e_y - e_z)/\sqrt{3}$$

— rotation  $\frac{2}{3}\pi$

$$R_3: (-e_x - e_y + e_z)/\sqrt{3}, \quad R_4: (-e_x + e_y - e_z)/\sqrt{3}$$

and  $R_1^2, R_2^2, R_3^2, R_4^2$ .

(This group is generated by 2-fold 3-fold axes not at right angle),

E	$T_x^2$	$T_y^2$	$T_z^2$	$R_1$	$R_1^2$	$R_2$	$R_2^2$	$R_3$	$R_3^2$	$R_4$	$R_4^2$	
A <sub>1</sub>	1	3	4	2	1	1	3	4	4	2	2	3
A <sub>2</sub>	2	4	2	1	4	3	2	2	1	4	3	1
A <sub>3</sub>	3	1	3	4	2	4	4	1	3	3	1	2
A <sub>4</sub>	4	2	1	3	3	2	1	3	2	1	4	4

$S_4$ : even permutation, i.e.  $A_4$  — alternating group.

The productable is not very instructive, nevertheless it has the following structure

	$\{E, T^2\}$	$\{R\}$	$\{R^2\}$
$E$	$T$	$R$	$R^2$
$T$	-	-	-
$\{R\}$	$R$	$R^2$	$T$
$\{R^2\}$	$R^2$	$T$	$R$

$T$  - 2-fold axis operation

$R$  - 3-fold axis with  $\frac{2}{3}\pi$  rotation

$R^2$  - 3-fold axis with  $\frac{4}{3}\pi$  rotation

This shows that  $\{E, T_x^2, T_y^2, T_z^2\}$  is a normal subgroup, and the quotient group  $T/D_2 = C_3$ . Then the  $C_3$ 's representations are also  $T$ 's which is  $D_2$ .

There are 4 classes:  $E, \{T^2\}, \{R\}, \{R^2\} \Rightarrow 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 3^2 = 12$ .

There exist three 1D Reps, which come for  $C_3$ , and one 3D Rep.

	$E$	$3T^2$	$4R$	$4R^2$
$A$	1	1	1	1
$E$	1	1	$\omega$	$\omega^2$
$E'$	1	1	$\omega^2$	$\omega$
$T$	3	-1	0	0

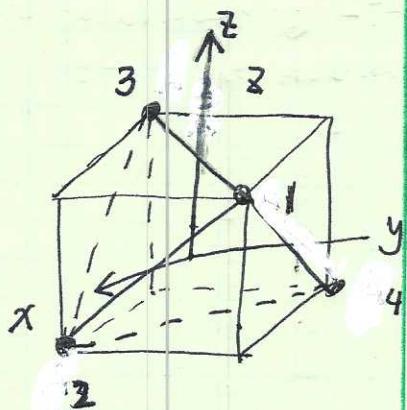
A and T are real Rep  
E and E' are complex

$$\text{by using } \sum_M \chi_M^*(C_\alpha) \chi_M(C_\beta) = \frac{|G|}{n_{C_\alpha}} \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

Example: consider a molecular orbit consists of  $|11\rangle, |12\rangle, |13\rangle$ , and  $|14\rangle$ . It's reps

$\chi$ :	$E$	$3T^2$	$4R$	$4R^2$
	4	0	1	1

$$\Rightarrow \chi = A \oplus T$$



$$A: |\Psi_A\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|1\rangle + |2\rangle + |3\rangle + |4\rangle)$$

$$T: |\Psi_{E,x}\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|1\rangle + |2\rangle - |3\rangle - |4\rangle), \quad |\Psi_{E,y}\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|1\rangle - |2\rangle - |3\rangle + |4\rangle)$$

$$|\Psi_{E,z}\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|1\rangle - |2\rangle + |3\rangle - |4\rangle)$$

$|\Psi_{E,x,y,z}\rangle$  have the symmetry of  $P_x, P_y, P_z$ , and  $A \rightarrow S$ .

We use  $|\Psi_{Ex}\rangle$ ,  $|\Psi_{Ey}\rangle$  and  $|\Psi_{Eq}\rangle$  as bases to construct its 3d Rep

$$E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_x^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_y^2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_z^2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z)$

$$R_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_1^2: \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_2^2: \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_3^2: \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_4^2: \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\* O - group

T group is a normal subgroup of the O-group  
and its index is 2. The coset contains 12 elements

$$\{T_x, T_x^3, T_y T_y^3 T_z T_z^3, S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4, S_5, S_6\}$$

where  $T_x, T_x^3$  are the rotation  $\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$  around x, y, z axes,

$S_1 \sim S_6$  are 2-fold axes passing the middle points of opposite edges.

① The 2-fold axes  $\perp$  the body diagonal axis  $\Rightarrow$  the body diagonal axis becomes bilateral. Hence, the 8 3-fold axis rotations belong to one class. Now we have 5 classes

$$E, \{3T^2\}, \{8R\}, \{6T\}, \{6S\}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \# \text{ of irreducible representations } C_4^2 + C_3' + C_4' + C_2'' = 1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 3^2 = 24$$

③ T is an invariant (normal) subgroup — quotient group  $C_2$

The quotient group gives rise to 2 1D representations  $A_1, A_2$ .

$D_2$  is another invariant subgroup — quotient group  $D_3$

:  $D_3$  gives a 2D represent E.

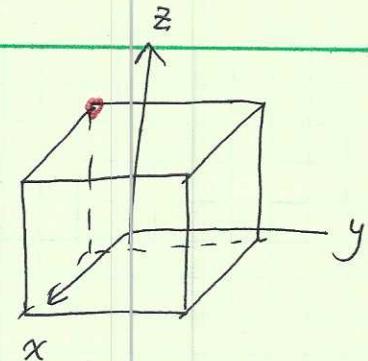
E	$3C_4^2$	$8C_3'$	$6C_4$	$6C_2''$
$A_1$	1	1	1	1
$A_2$	1	1	1	-1
E	2	2	-1	0
$T_1$	3	-1	0	1
$T_2$	3	-1	0	-1

, and '' represent two new axes.

$$\chi_{A_2} \cdot \chi_{T_1} = \chi_{T_2}$$

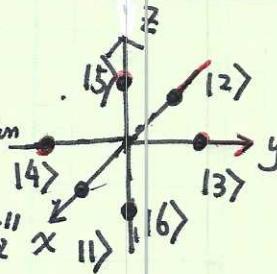
Combine with orthonormal condition

we can figure out  $\chi_{T_1}$  and  $\chi_{T_2}$ .



Consider 6 six atomic orbitals  $|1\rangle, |2\rangle, \dots, |6\rangle$

(vertices of an octahedron). Such a representation for the O-group, its  $\chi$  for  $E, 3C_4^2, 8C_3^1, 6C_4^1, 6C_2^1$   $\propto |1\rangle, |2\rangle, |3\rangle, |4\rangle, |5\rangle, |6\rangle$



$$\text{are } \{6, 2, 0, 2, 0\} \Rightarrow (\chi_{A_1}^* \cdot \chi) \cdot \frac{1}{24} = (6 + 3 \times 2 + 6 \times 2) \frac{1}{24} = 1$$

$$(\chi_E^* \cdot \chi) \frac{1}{24} = (6 \times 2 + 3 \times 2 \times 2) \frac{1}{24} = 1$$

$$(\chi_{T_1}^* \cdot \chi) \frac{1}{24} = (6 \times 3 + 3 \times 2 \times (-1) + 6 \times 1 \times 2) = 1$$

Basis  $|\psi_{A_1}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} [ |1\rangle + |2\rangle + |3\rangle + |4\rangle + |5\rangle + |6\rangle ] - |\text{S}\rangle$  symmetry

$$|\psi_{T_1}^x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [ |1\rangle - |2\rangle ], \quad |\psi_{T_1}^y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [ |3\rangle - |4\rangle ], \quad |\psi_{T_1}^z\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [ |5\rangle - |6\rangle ]$$

$|\psi_{T_1}^x\rangle \quad \uparrow \quad |\psi_{T_1}^y\rangle \quad \uparrow \quad |\psi_{T_1}^z\rangle$   
 $|P_x\rangle \quad \quad \quad |P_y\rangle \quad \quad \quad |P_z\rangle$

under these bases, for those T group elements, we have the same matrices as before.

$$T_x^1 : \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_y^1 : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_z^1 : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_x^3 : \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_y^3 : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_z^3 : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_{xy} : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S_{yz} : \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad S_{zx} : \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_{-xy} : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S_{-yz} : \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad S_{-zx} : \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $T_2$ -representation: the representation matrices for the  $T$ -group operations are the same as  $T_1$ , and those for  $6C_4'$  and  $6C_2''$  have an opposite sign, i.e.  $T_2 = A_1 \otimes T_1$ .

\* Now we can form the basis for the  $E$ -representation

$$|\psi_E^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} [ |5\rangle + |6\rangle + \omega(|1\rangle + |2\rangle) + \omega^2(|3\rangle + |4\rangle)]$$

$$z^2 - r^2 \pm i(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$|\psi_E^-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} [ |5\rangle + |6\rangle + \omega^2(|1\rangle + |2\rangle) + \omega(|3\rangle + |4\rangle)]$$

eg orbitals

$$\text{Forts: } \{E, T_x^2, T_y^2, T_z^2\}: \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{invariant subgroup}$$

$$R_1 H = \{R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4\}, \quad R_1^2 H = \{R_1^2, R_2^2, R_3^2, R_4^2\}$$

$$T_z H = \{T_z, T_z^3, S_{xy}, S_{-xy}\} \quad T_x H = \{T_x, T_x^3, S_{yz}, S_{-yz}\} \quad T_y H = \{T_y, T_y^3, S_{xz}, S_{-xz}\}$$

Hence:  $R_1(r \rightarrow y \rightarrow z): \begin{pmatrix} \omega^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega \end{pmatrix} \quad R_1^2 H = \begin{pmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix}$

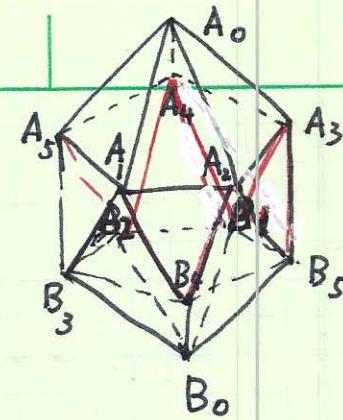
$$\omega = e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{3}}$$

$$T_z H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_x H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega \\ \omega^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T_y H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega^2 \\ \omega & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

It's easy to verify that all Reps are real.

\* Y group

20 faces, 12 vertexes, 30 edges



6. five-fold axes  $A_0B_0, A_1B_1, \dots, A_5B_5$

10 3-fold axes : connecting opposite face centers

15 2-fold axes: connecting opposite edge centers

$$\text{sym operations } 1 + 6 \times 4 + 10 \times 2 + 15 = 60!$$

all are self-inverse

5 classes  $E, 12C_5, 12C_5^2, 20C_3', 15C_2'$  - classes.

$$1^2 + 3^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2 = 60$$

All Reps  
are real  
or pseudo-  
real.

Unfortunately, Y group does not have non-trivial normal subgroup. It has  $D_5$  and T subgroups.  $D_5$ : we can take 5-fold axis  $A_0B_0$ , and the 5 two-fold axis perpendicular to  $A_0B_0$ .

The T subgroup is not easy to see: Let's find 3 orthogonal 2-fold axes: From O to the middle points of  $A_0A_1, A_3A_4, A_2B_5$ .

The 4 3-fold axes can be formed for O to the centers of triangles  $\Delta A_1B_4A_2, \Delta A_0A_2A_3, \Delta A_0A_4A_5, \Delta A_1A_5B_3$ . please check.

→ We can use T group to assist the analysis of the character table of the I group. We denote the 3d reps as  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . They need to be still the 3d rep of the T group. Check characters of A, E and  $E'$

of the T-group. For the 2-fold axis rotation, they are all 1. Hence if  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  need to decomposed to the sum of A, E and  $E'$ , their characters for the 2-fold axis should be 3. Then for the I group, the 15 2-fold axes contribute  $15 \times 3^2 > 60$ . i.e.  $T_1, T_2 \rightarrow T$ .

We also denote G as the 4-dimensional rep, and H as the 5-dimensional rep. Their decomposition must include T. Since all Reps are real or pseudo real, their characters are also real. Combining these factors, we have  $G \rightarrow T \oplus A, H \rightarrow T \oplus E \oplus E'$ .

Based on these, we can write down part of the character table

In order to determine the characters

of  $C_5$  and  $C_5^2$  classes. We

consider the decomposition with respect to  $D_5$ .  $D_5$ 's characters are

$D_5$	E	$2C_5^1$	$2C_5^2$	$5C_2$
A <sub>1</sub>	1	1	1	1
A <sub>2</sub>	1	1	1	-1
E <sub>1</sub>	2	$2\cos\frac{2\pi}{5}$	$2\cos\frac{4\pi}{5}$	0
E <sub>2</sub>	2	$2\cos\frac{4\pi}{5}$	$2\cos\frac{2\pi}{5}$	0

I	E	$12C_5$	$12C_5^2$	$20G'$	$15G''$
A	1	1	1	1	1
T <sub>1</sub>	3	$1+2\omega s\frac{2}{5}\pi$	$1+2\omega s\frac{4}{5}\pi$	0	-1
T <sub>2</sub>	3	$1+2\omega s\frac{4}{5}\pi$	$1+2\omega s\frac{2}{5}\pi$	0	-1
G	4	-1	-1	1	0
H	5	0	0	-1	1

since  $C_2$ 's characters are determined

we have  $T_1 = A_2 \oplus E_1, T_2 = A_2 \oplus E_2$

$$P = 2\omega s \frac{2}{5}\pi = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$

$$P^{-1} = -2\omega s \frac{4}{5}\pi = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}$$

Then we can complete characters of  $T_1, T_2$ , and they satisfy the orthogonal relation.

- According to orthogonal relations to  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , we can figure out the characters of  $G$ ,  $H$  for  $G_5$  and  $G_5^2$  as shown in the table.

Then we have the decomposition

$$G = E_1 \oplus E_2 \quad \text{and} \quad H = E_1 \oplus E_2 \oplus A_1$$

Example: consider a molecule with a configuration of icosahedral with 12 atoms. They form a 12 dimensional representation

$\chi$	$E$	$12C_5$	$12C_5^2$	$20C_3'$	$15C_2''$
$\chi$	12	2	2	0	0

it's easy to verify that  $\chi = A \oplus T_1 \oplus T_2 \oplus H$

Let us treat  $SO(3)$  group's subgroup and consider the decomposition of spherical harmonics  $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$ . Later, we will know that  $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$  form a  $2l+1$  dimensional irreducible rep for  $SO(3)$ , and the representation matrix is  $D_{m'm}^l(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \langle lm' | e^{i\alpha l_z} e^{i\beta l_y} e^{i\gamma l_z} | lm \rangle$ . The character

is simple: for a rotation with  $\theta$  angle.  $\chi^l(\theta) = \sum_{m=-l}^l e^{iml\theta} = \frac{\sin(l+\frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}$ .

For

$l$	$E(\theta=0)$	$12C_5$	$12C_5^2$	$20C_3'$	$15C_2''$
0	1	1	1	1	1
1	3	$\sin \frac{3\pi}{5} / \sin \frac{\pi}{5}$	$\frac{\sin \frac{6\pi}{5}}{\sin \frac{2\pi}{5}}$	0	-1
2	5	0	0	-1	1
3	7	$\sin \frac{7\pi}{5} / \sin \frac{\pi}{5}$	$\frac{\sin \frac{14\pi}{5}}{\sin \frac{4\pi}{5}}$	1	-1

It's clear that

S-state  $\leftrightarrow$  A

P-state  $\leftrightarrow$  T<sub>1</sub>

d-state  $\leftrightarrow$  H

f-state  $\leftrightarrow$  T<sub>2</sub>  $\oplus$  G

$$\text{not } \sin \frac{3\pi}{5} / \sin \frac{\pi}{5} = 2 \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} + 1$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{6\pi}{5} / \sin \frac{2\pi}{5} = 2 \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} + 1$$

$$= -\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$

$$\text{by noticing } \sin \frac{7\pi}{5} / \sin \frac{\pi}{5} = -\sin \frac{3\pi}{5} / \sin \frac{\pi}{5} = -\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{4\pi}{5} / \sin \frac{2\pi}{5} = 2 \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$

$$\# \text{ of } A: \frac{1}{60} (7 \times 1 + 12(-\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}) \times 1 + 12(\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}) \times 1 + 20 \times 1 \times 1 + 15 \times 1 \times (-1)) \\ = \frac{1}{60} [0] = 0$$

$$\# \text{ of } T_1: \frac{1}{60} [3 \times 7 \times 1 + (-\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2})(\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}) \times 12 + (\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}) \times (\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}) \times 12 + 0 + 15(-1)(-1)] \\ = \frac{1}{60} [21 + (-3) \times 6 \times 2 + 15] = 0$$

$$\# \text{ of } T_2: \frac{1}{60} [3 \times 7 \times 1 + (-\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2})(-\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}) \times 12 + \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \times 12 + 0 + 15(-1) \times (-1)] \\ = \frac{1}{60} [21 + 12 + 12 + 15] = 1$$

$$\# \text{ of } G: \frac{1}{60} [-4 \times 7 \times 1 + (-\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2})(-1) \times 12 + \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} \times (-1) \times 12 + 1 \times 1 \times 20 + 0] \\ = \frac{1}{60} [28 + 12 + 20] = 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  The largest degeneracy (no counting spin) is  $l=2$ , i.e. five-fold

degeneracy, which can remain under point group. Y is the next highest symmetry, just next to spherical.

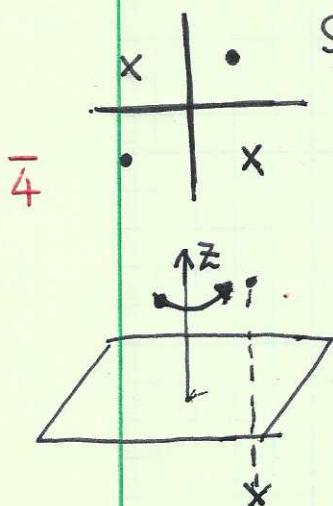
## \* improper point groups

- Improper point groups are subgroups of  $O(3)$ . They contain operations with the  $3 \times 3$  orthogonal matrix  $\det O = -1$ , which are not a pure rotation.
- Improper point group must have an invariant proper subgroup  $H$ , whose index is 2, i.e.  $G/H = \mathbb{Z}_2$
- Improper point group can be obtained by adding a single improper element  $M$ , as a generator;  $G = H + MH$ .
- $M$  can be an inversion  $I$ , or a reflection  $\sigma$ , then  $M^2 = I$ .  
or more generally  $M = S_{2n} - \text{rotary reflection}$ , such that  $M^2 = C_n$ .

Classification:

$$S_{2n} = C_{2n} \cdot \sigma_h$$

- Rotary reflection groups: For  $S_{4n}$  -  $4n$  cyclic group.



international symbol  $(\bar{2}\bar{n})$  for  $n$  even

$$\begin{array}{c} \cdot \quad x \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ x \quad \cdot \\ \end{array} \quad (\bar{C}_{4n+2} \sigma_h)^{2n+1} = C_2 \sigma_h = I$$

↑  
inversion

$\bar{n}$  for  $n$  odd

cyclic abelian group

(horizontal plane reflection) ↓

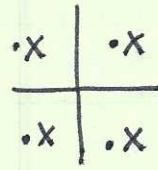
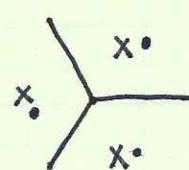
\*  $C_{nh}$  groups  $n/m$   $\rightarrow C_n \oplus \sigma_h C_n$  - abelian group

•  $C_{2n,h}$  contains inversion.  $(C_{2n})\sigma_h^n = C_2 \cdot \sigma_h = I$

then  $C_{2n,h} = C_{2n} \otimes \{E, I\}$ .

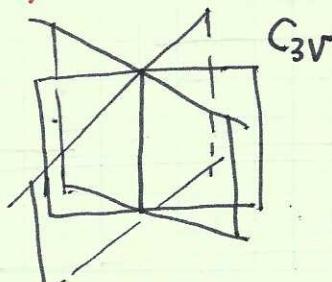
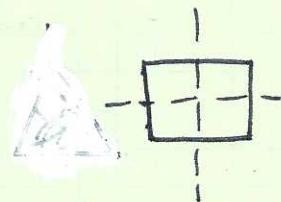
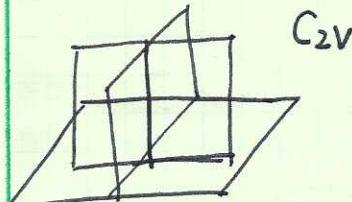
$(C_{2n,h} \text{ and } S_{4n+2,h} = C_n \otimes \{E, I\})$

•  $C_{2n+1,h}$  does not contain inversion



\*  $C_{nv}$  groups  $nm$  for  $n$  odd,  $nmm$  for  $n$  even

(vertical plane reflection)



by corresponding

$\sigma_v \rightarrow C_2'$  (in-plane  
2-fold axis)  
(vertical  
plane reflection)

$C_{nv} \simeq D_n$

\*  $D_{nh}$  groups  $\frac{n}{m} \frac{2}{m} \frac{2}{m}$

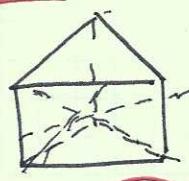
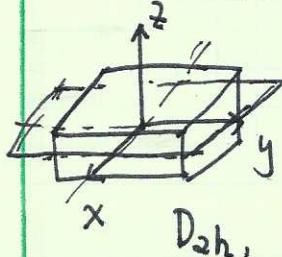
$D_{nh} = D_n \otimes \{E, \sigma_h\}$  - :  $\sigma_h$  commutes with both  $C_n$  and  $C_2$  rotations

$\sigma_h C_2 \sigma_h = C_2$  (please check)

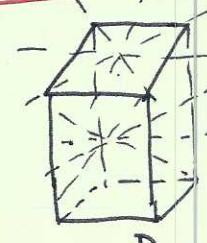
if  $n$  is even:  $C_n^{\frac{n}{2}} \sigma_h = C_2 \cdot \sigma_h = I$ , which contains inversion

i.e.  $D_{2n,h} = D_{2n} \otimes \{E, I\}$ .

$D_{2n+1,h} \simeq D_{4n+2}$



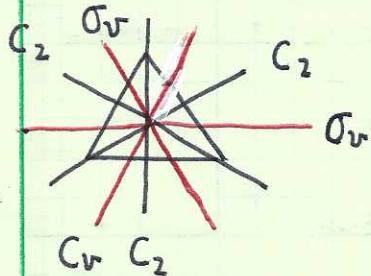
$D_{3h}$



$D_{4h}$

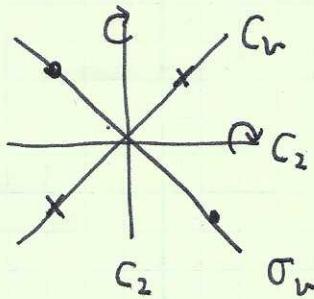
## \* $D_{nd}$ groups

The elements of  $D_n$ , combined with a vertical reflection plane middle way between a pair of axis.



For  $D_{2n+1,d}$ , since  $C_2$  and  $\sigma_v$  can be perpendicular to each other, inversion is included, i.e.  $\underline{D_{2n+1,d} = D_{2n+1} \otimes \{E, I\}}$ .

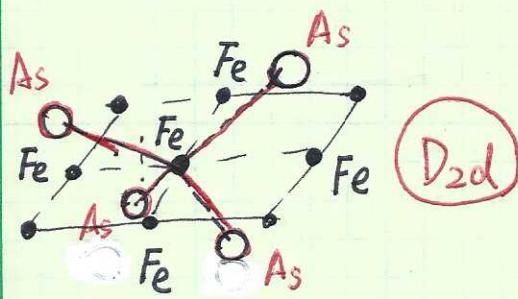
For  $D_{2n,d}$



$$C_2 C_{v\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -1 & 1 & \\ & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ 1 & 1 & \\ & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ -1 & 1 & \\ & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = S_4$$

rotation  $90^\circ$  and reflection with reflection to horizontal plane.

→ iron-based superconductor



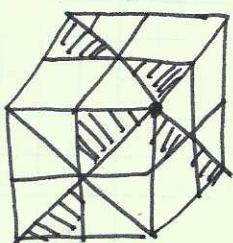
$$D_{nd} \simeq D_{4n}$$

## (\*) $T_d$ group $\bar{4}3m$ ,

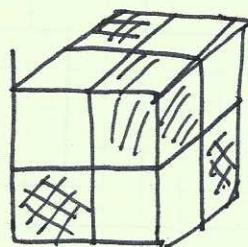
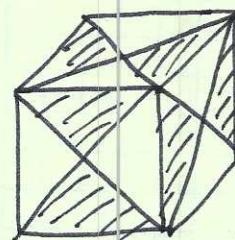
The full symmetry of a regular tetrahedron. Add a reflection plane passing one edge and bisecting the opposite edge.  $T_d$  has 24 elements

$\sim S_4$ .

(\*)  $T_h: \frac{2}{m} \bar{3}$  : add an inversion center to  $T$

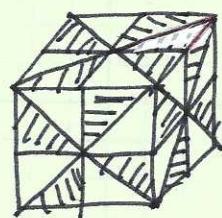


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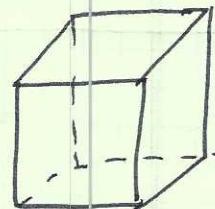
 $T_d \simeq O$ T<sub>h</sub>

(\*) group  $O_h: \frac{4}{m} \bar{3} \frac{2}{m}$

$$O_h = O \otimes \{E, I\}$$



O

O<sub>h</sub>

(\*) group  $\mathcal{Y}_h = \mathcal{Y} \otimes \{E, I\}$

improper groups not containing I:  $C_{nr}, D_{2n+1,h}, D_{2n,d}, T_d$   
 point  $\underbrace{S_{4n},}_{}$