# Counting rules for periodic frameworks 

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## Maxwell counting

In 1864, James Clerk Maxwell wrote, in On the calculation of the equilibrium and stiffness of frames,

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    A frame of s points in space requires in general 3s-6 connecting lines to
    render it stiff. In those cases in which stiffness can be produced with a smaller
    number of lines, certain conditions must be fulfilled, rendering the case one of
    a maximum or minimum value of one or more of its lines. The stiffness of
    such frames is of an inferior order, as a small disturbing force may produce
    a displacement infinite in comparison with itself.
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## Example of Maxwell counting in 2D

For a two-dimensional pin-jointed structure, Maxwell's statement would be that a structure with $j$ joints would require, in general, $2 j-3$ bars to be rigid.


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## Compatibility/equilibrium relationships

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Nodal displacements
Bar extensions

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Consider possible forces at the nodes and tensions in the bars:


Nodal forces
Bar tensions

## Compatibility/equilibrium relationships

C is the compatibility matrix, describing the (first order) relationship between joint displacements and bar extensions.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbf{C d}=\mathbf{e} \\
{\left[\begin{array}{cccccccc}
-1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\
-1 / \sqrt{2} & 1 / \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 1 / \sqrt{2} & -1 / \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
d_{1 x} \\
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\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
e_{\mathrm{I}} \\
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Any solution to $\mathbf{C d}=\mathbf{0}$ is either an internal mechanism, or a rigid-body mechanism.

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The tranpose of $\mathbf{C}$ is the equilibrium matrix, describing the relationship between nodal forces, and internal forces in the bars

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbf{C}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{t}=\mathbf{f} \\
{\left[\begin{array}{ccccc}
-1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 / \sqrt{2} \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 / \sqrt{2} \\
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## Proof of the Maxwell Calladine equation (in 2D)

Consider the dimensions of vector spaces associated with $\mathbf{C}$ :


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and so, for any value of $r$

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The unexpected properties of these structures can be explored through counting

## Example: the kagome lattice



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Rotation is not an allowed rigid-body mode with a fixed unit cell

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A better approach is to consider an 'augmented' compatibility matrix, where uniform deformation of the unit cell is allowed.

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Example: ‘augmented' deformation vector for kagome


## Augmented compatibility matrix for the kagome

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Example: Euler's theorem

$$
v+f=e+2
$$

becomes

$$
\Gamma_{\sigma}(v) \times \Gamma_{\epsilon}+\Gamma_{\sigma}(f)=\Gamma_{\perp}(e)+\Gamma_{0}+\Gamma_{\epsilon}
$$

## Invariant vector subspaces

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For any vector space $V$, we give the set of characters for all $g \in G$ the symbol $\Gamma_{V}$ and loosely call this the 'representation'. Most importantly, the structure of $V$ as a summation of irreducible invariant vector spaces can be found directly from $\Gamma_{V}$, and hence we can consider this to count the dimensions of $V$ in terms of dimensions of irreducible representations.

## Example: $\mathcal{G}=\mathcal{C}_{s}$, a single plane of reflection

Character table (with $z$ perpendicular to the plane of symmetry)

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Eliminating $\Gamma(r)$ gives the symmetry-extended Maxwell-Calladine equation

$$
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$$

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|  |  |
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The complete geometric symmetry group of a repetitive structure is a space group (plane/wallpaper group in 2D) which has infinite order. However, by identifying components that are equivalent under a displacement, we can factor our the infinite displacement group, leaving us with a point group with which we can work.

Example: counting symmetries for the kagome lattice


- Plane Group p6m
- Point Group $C_{6 v}$


## Components preserved by $E$

| $C_{6 v}$ | $E$ | $2 C_{6}$ | $2 C_{3}$ | $C_{2}$ | $3 \sigma_{v}$ | $3 \sigma_{d}$ |
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| $+\Gamma_{T}^{2}$ | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |

The kagome lattice - $C_{6}$ axes


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| $=$ | 6 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
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The kagome lattice $-C_{2}$ axes


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| $+\Gamma_{T}^{2}$ | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 |  |  |
| $\Gamma(m)-\Gamma(s)$ | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 |  |  |

The kagome lattice $-\sigma_{v}$ lines


Components preserved by $\sigma_{v}$

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| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\Gamma(j)$ | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 |  |
| $\times \Gamma_{T}$ | 2 | 1 | -1 | -2 | 0 |  |
| $=$ | 6 | 0 | 0 | -6 | 0 |  |
| $-\Gamma(b)$ | -6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2 |  |
| $=$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | -6 | -2 |  |
| $-\Gamma_{T}$ | -2 | -1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |  |
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| $+\Gamma_{T}^{2}$ | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |  |
| $\Gamma(m)-\Gamma(s)$ | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 | -1 |  |

The kagome lattice $-\sigma_{d}$ lines


Components preserved by $\sigma_{d}$

| $C_{6 v}$ | $E$ | $2 C_{6}$ | $2 C_{3}$ | $C_{2}$ | $3 \sigma_{v}$ | $3 \sigma_{d}$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\Gamma(j)$ | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| $\times \Gamma_{T}$ | 2 | 1 | -1 | -2 | 0 | 0 |
| $=$ | 6 | 0 | 0 | -6 | 0 | 0 |
| $-\Gamma(b)$ | -6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2 | 0 |
| $=$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | -6 | -2 | 0 |
| $-\Gamma_{T}$ | -2 | -1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
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| $+\Gamma_{T}^{2}$ | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
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## Character table for $C_{6 v}$

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| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| $A_{1}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | $z$ |
| $A_{2}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -1 | -1 | $R_{z}$ |
| $B_{1}$ | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 |  |
| $B_{2}$ | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 | -1 | 1 |  |
| $E_{1}$ | 2 | 1 | -1 | -2 | 0 | 0 | $(x, y)\left(R_{x}, R_{y}\right)$ |
| $E_{2}$ | 2 | -1 | -1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Decomposition into irreducible representations for each representation

| $C_{6 v}$ | $E$ | $2 C_{6}$ | $2 C_{3}$ | $C_{2}$ | $3 \sigma_{v}$ | $3 \sigma_{d}$ |  |
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| $\Gamma(j)$ | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | $A_{1}+E_{2}$ |
| $\times \Gamma_{T}$ | 2 | 1 | -1 | -2 | 0 | 0 | $E_{1}$ |
| $=$ | 6 | 0 | 0 | -6 | 0 | 0 | $B_{1}+B_{2}+2 E_{1}$ |
| $-\Gamma(b)$ | -6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2 | 0 | $-A_{1}-B_{1}-E_{1}-E_{2}$ |
| $=$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | -6 | -2 | 0 | $-A_{1}+B_{2}+E_{1}-E_{2}$ |
| $-\Gamma_{T}$ | -2 | -1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | $-E_{1}$ |
| $-\Gamma_{R}$ | -1 | -1 | -1 | -1 | 1 | 1 | $-A_{2}$ |
| $+\Gamma_{T}^{2}$ | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | $A_{1}+A_{2}+E_{2}$ |
| $\Gamma(m)-\Gamma(s)$ | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 | -1 | 1 | $B_{2}$ |

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To give a Poisson's ratio close to -1 , we should also ensure that the equiauxetic mode is the only mode that doesn't require stretching of bars.

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## One possible 3D example

Given by Milton ${ }^{1}$.

${ }^{1}$ Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids, 61(2013) 1543-156

## A meta-material based on the Milton example

Bückmann et al. ${ }^{2}$ have manufactured the meta-material shown, and measured a Poisson's ratio of -0.76 .

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- These rules allow strong statements to be made about placement of structural components to achieve particular structural behaviour.
- Symmetry helps show where we should look to achieve limiting equiauxetic behaviour, with $\nu$ close to -1 .


[^0]:    ${ }^{2}$ New Journal of Physics (2014) 16033032

