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## 1. Periodic Building Unit:

The two-dimensional PerBUs in \*MRE are equal to the layers (PerBU1 and PerBU2) shown in Figure 1. The layers are built from tubular pores of fused 6-rings. The tubular pore is obtained when five crankshaft chains are linked into a channel with a 10-ring aperture (Figure 1(a)). Pores, related by pure translations along  $a_1$ , are connected through crankshaft chains into PerBU1. Pores, related by a translation along  $a_2$  and a shift along the pore axis of  $1/2b$ , are connected through 4-rings into PerBU2 (Figure 1(b and c)).

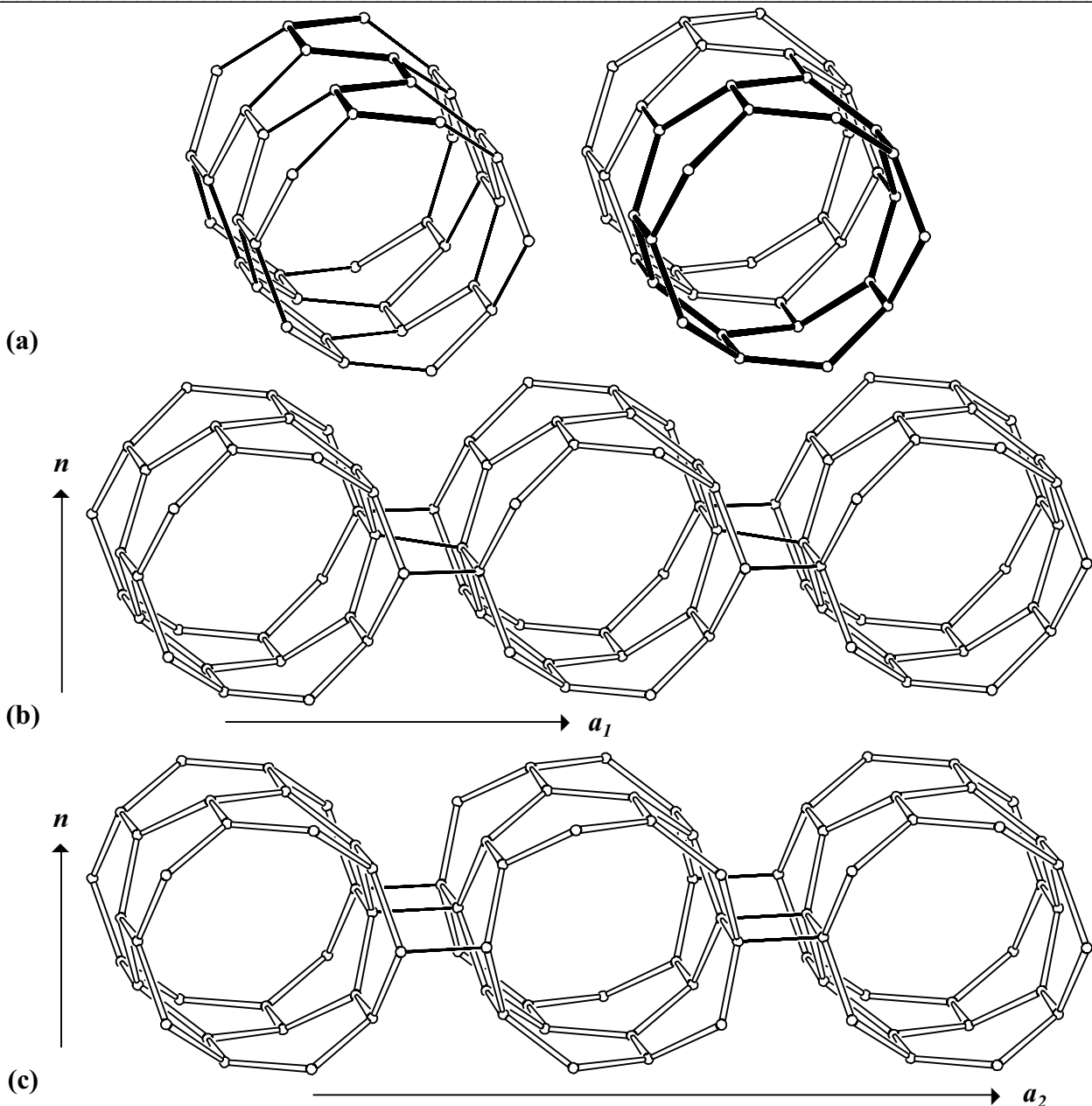


Fig. 1. (a) Tubular pore (top) constructed from crankshaft chains (left) and from 6-ring bands (right) viewed along the pore axis parallel to  $b$ ; (b) PerBU1 viewed perpendicular to the plane normal  $n$  and along the pore axis parallel to  $b$ ; (c) PerBU2 viewed as in (b). ▲

## 2. Connection modes

The stacking of PerBUs along  $n$  requires a lateral shift of the PerBUs along  $a$  (and  $b$ ). It is convenient to describe the stacking sequence of the PerBUs along  $n$  using the same coordinate system in both PerBUs. Therefore the unit cell length along  $a$  is equal to  $2|a_1|$  in PerBU1 and equal to  $|a_2|$  in PerBU2. For both PerBUs the lateral shifts along  $a$  are then given as  $\pm 1/6a$ .

Neighboring PerBUs can be stacked along  $n$  through 4-rings or crankshaft chains in several ways:

- (1): the lateral shift of the top layer along  $a$  and  $b$  is  $-1/6a$  and zero; denoted as  $(-1/6, 0)$ ;
- (2): the lateral shift of the top layer along  $a$  and  $b$  is  $+1/6a$  and zero; denoted as  $(1/6, 0)$ ;
- (3): the lateral shift of the top layer along  $a$  and  $b$  is  $-1/6a$  and  $1/2b$ ; denoted as  $(-1/6, 1/2)$ ;
- (4): the lateral shift of the top layer along  $a$  and  $b$  is  $+1/6a$  and  $1/2b$ ; denoted as  $(1/6, 1/2)$ .

One example of the connection modes is depicted in Figure 2. The PerBUs are connected along  $n$  through 4-rings or crankshaft chains depending on whether the shift along  $b$  between neighboring pores is  $1/2b$  or zero, respectively. The gaps between the pores are filled with T-T dimers. Once the distribution of the lateral shifts between the PerBUs stacked along  $n$  is known, the three-dimensional framework is defined. For a description of other connection modes see: [Disordered Structures](#)

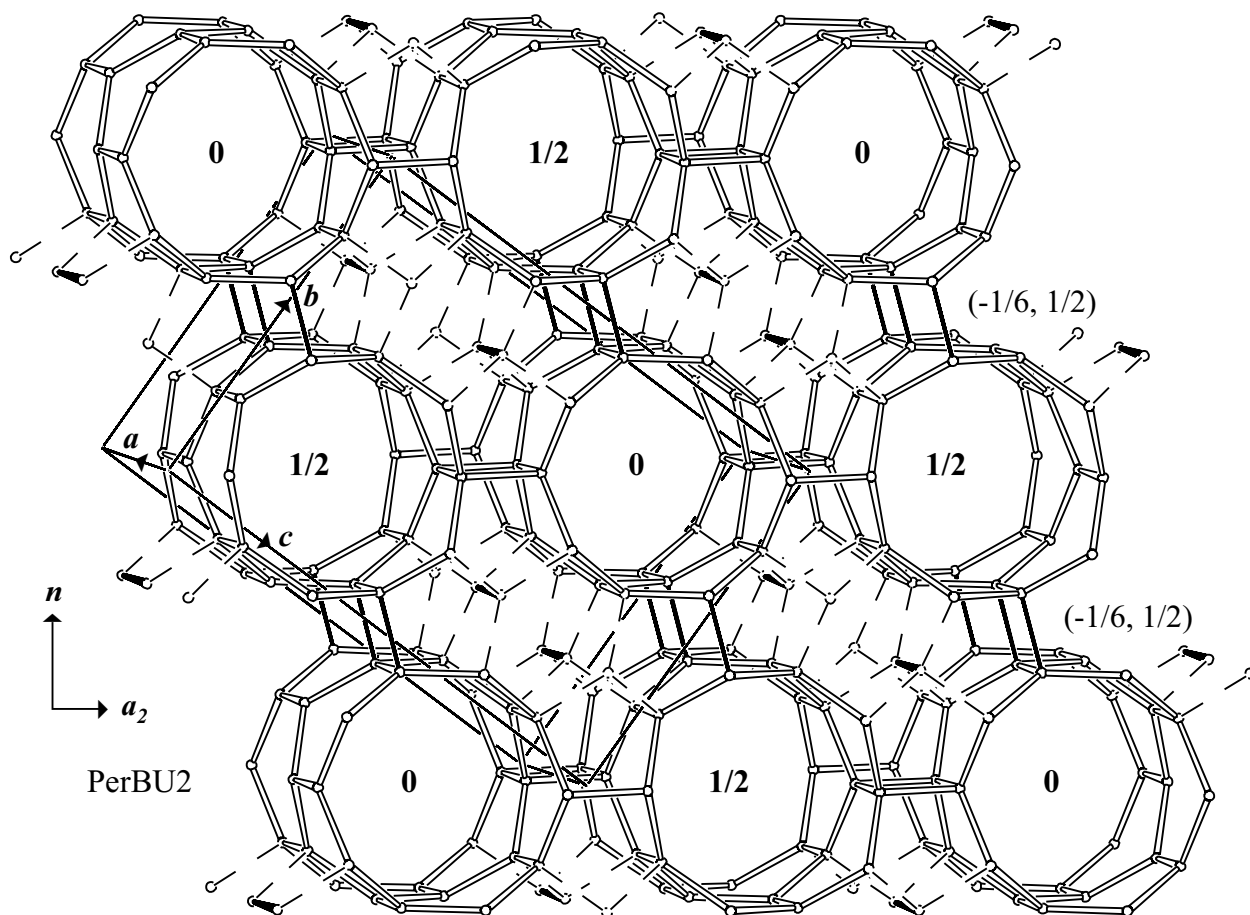


Figure 2. Connection mode (3) in \*MRE between PerBU2s, viewed along the pore axis  $b$ . Connecting T-T modes between PerBUs are drawn as single lines. The connections to the T-T dimers (heavy bold), which fill the space between the tubular pores, are striped. The number in the pore gives the fractional shift of the pore along  $b$ . The ordered end-member \*MRE is obtained when neighboring PerBU2s are recurrently stacked along  $n$  with lateral shifts of  $-1/6a$  and  $1/2b$ . The unit cell content is also shown together with the definition of the crystallographic  $a$ -,  $b$ - and  $c$ -axis.

### 3. Channels and /or cages

Non-interconnecting one-dimensional 10-ring channels are parallel to  $a$ . The channel, topologically equivalent to the channel in AEL, AFO and AHT, is depicted in Figure 3. The **pore descriptor** is added.

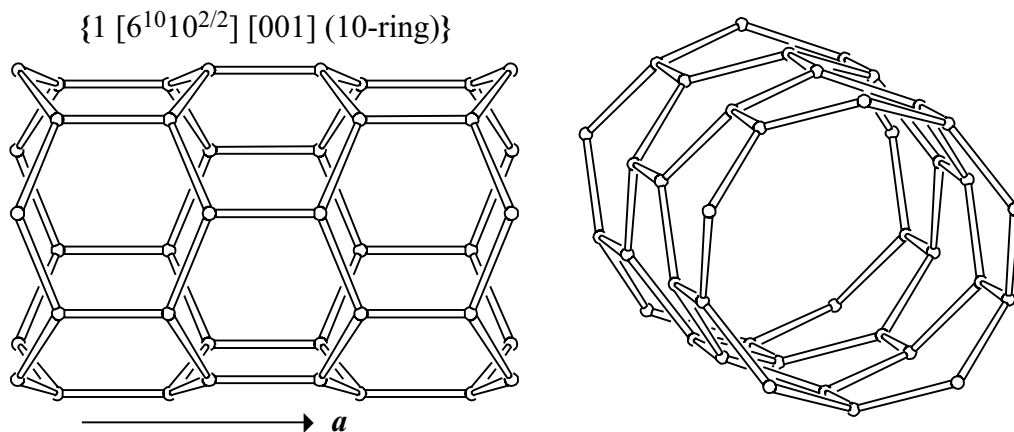


Figure 3. 10-Ring channel in \*MRE viewed perpendicular to the channel axis (left) and along the channel axis (right).

### 4. Composite Building Units

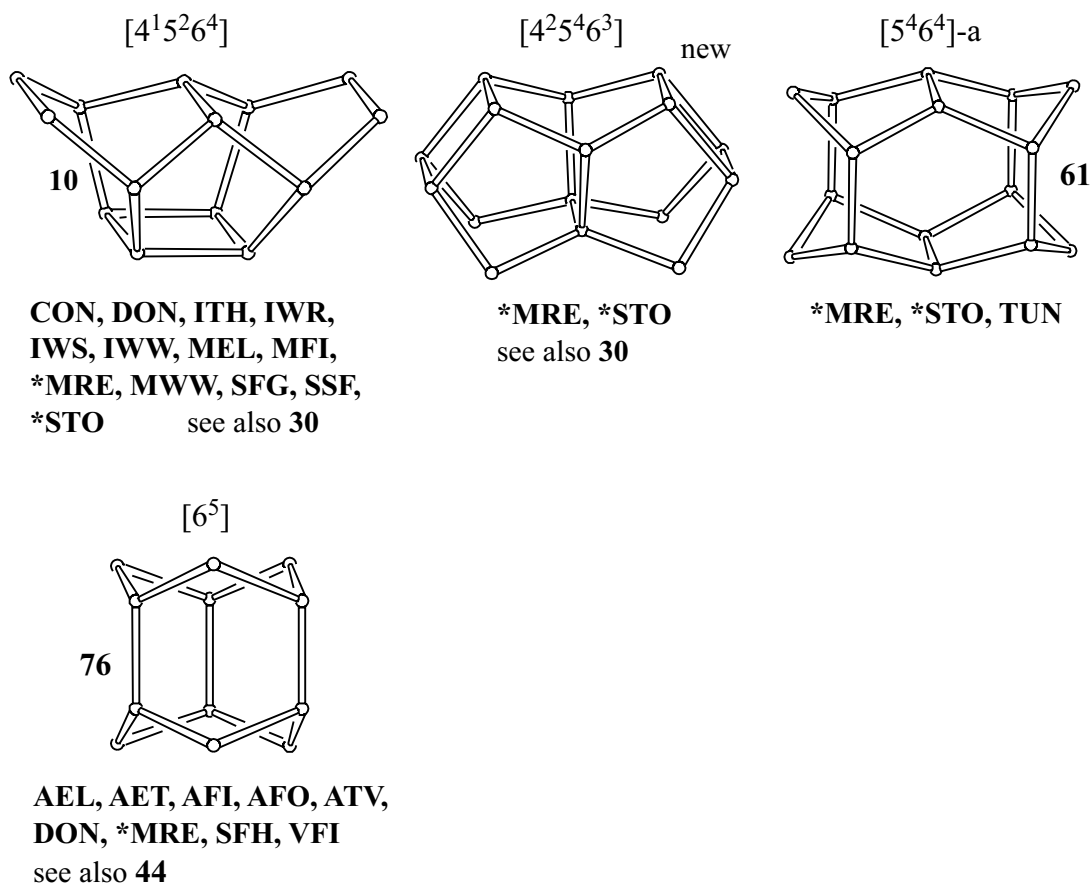


Figure 4. Composite Building Units.

## 5. Supplementary information

### *Other framework types containing crankshaft chains*

In several framework types at least one of the unit cell dimensions is between 8.4 and 9.9 Å. In many cases this indicates the presence of crankshaft chains.

In the [INTRO](#)-pages links are given to detailed descriptions of these framework types (choose: **Crankshaft chains**). There is also a link provided to a summary of the Periodic Building Units used in the building schemes of these framework types (choose: **Appendix; Figure 3**).

The secondary building unit in \***MRE** is 5-1.

