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1. Periodic Building Unit:

Hexagonal SBS and SBT can be built using the *can* cage with "handles" consisting of 24 T atoms (or six 4-rings) shown in Figure 1. The two-dimensional Periodic Building Unit (PerBU) is obtained when these cages are linked into the hexagonal layer depicted in Figure 2 through zigzag T-T bonds. 4-Rings and 8-rings are formed.

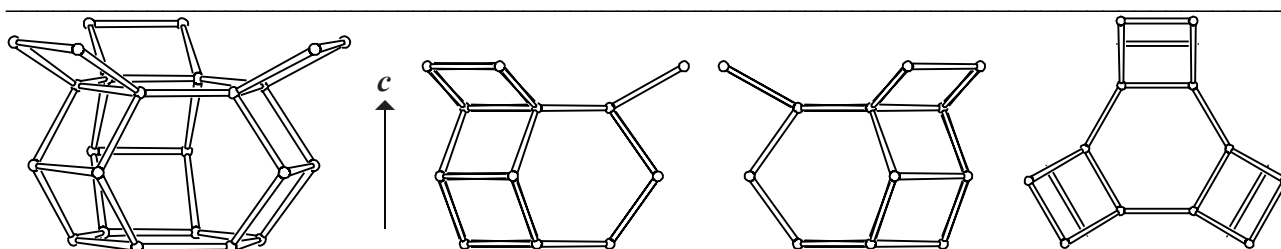


Figure 1. The *can*-cage with "handles" (T24-unit). From left to right: perspective view perpendicular to *c*; parallel projections perpendicular to *c*, after rotation of +30° and -30° about *c* with respect to the most left drawing; and parallel projection down *c*.

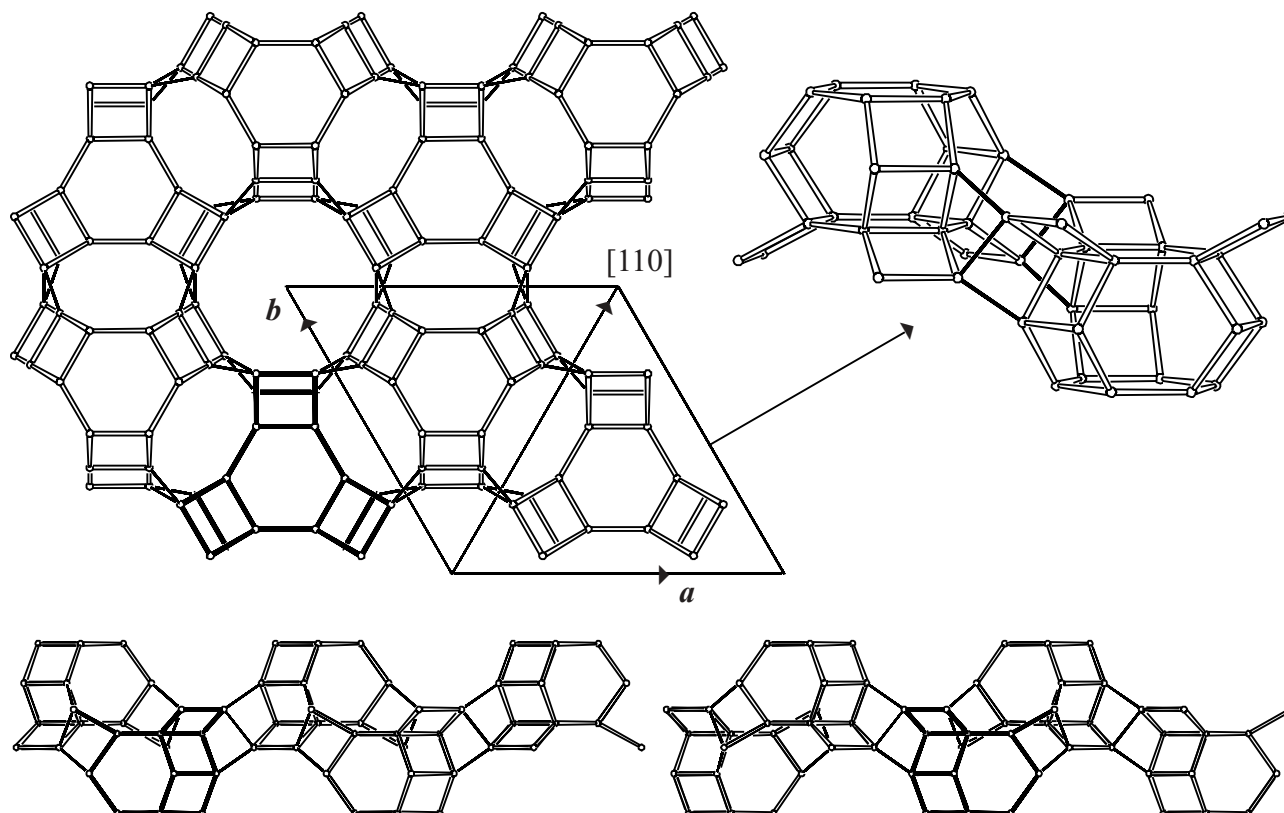


Figure 2. PerBU built from T24-units (one in bold) viewed along *c* (top), along *b* (bottom left) and along [110] (bottom right). The layers, depicted at the bottom at a different scale, are identical and related by a rotation of 60° about *c* or by a mirror operation perpendicular to *c*. The inset (top right) gives the linkage through 4-rings of T24-units within the PerBU viewed nearly along [120].



2. Connection mode:

Neighboring PerBUs can be connected along [001] through double 6-rings in two different ways:

(1): the top layer is shifted over $1/3(-a + b)$ before connecting it to the bottom layer. The resulting connectivity exhibits inversion symmetry between successive layers.

(2): the top layer is rotated over 60° about [001], followed by a shift of $1/3(-a + b)$, before connecting it to the bottom layer. The connectivity shows mirror symmetry between successive layers (compare Figure 2).

N.B. The connection sequences of the PerBUs along c in **SBS** and **SBT** are equivalent to those in **EMT** and **FAU**, respectively.

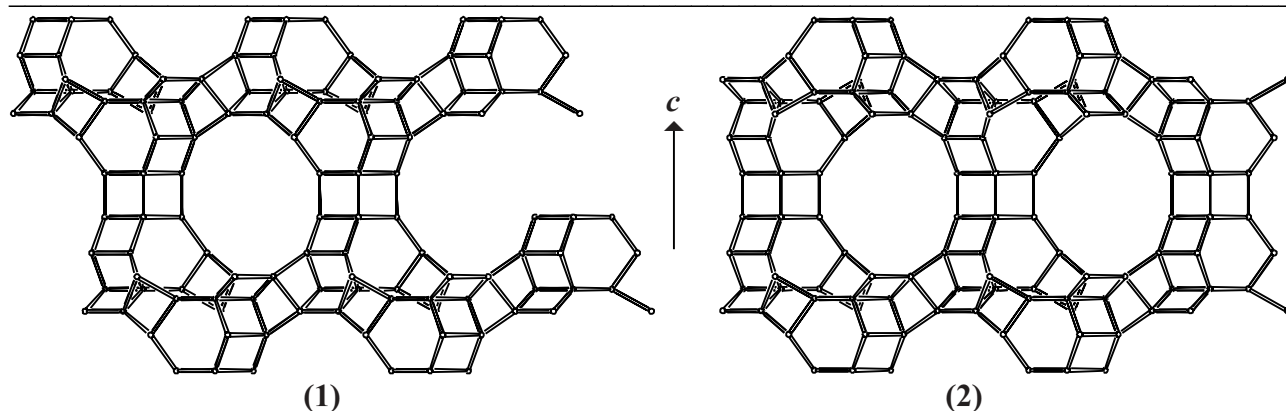


Figure 3. Connection mode (1) in **SBT** (left) and connection mode (2) in **SBS** viewed along b . ▲

3. Projections of the unit cell content:

Pure **SBS** and **SBT** are obtained when neighboring PerBUs are related along the hexagonal c axis by reflection and inversion, respectively (Figure 4).

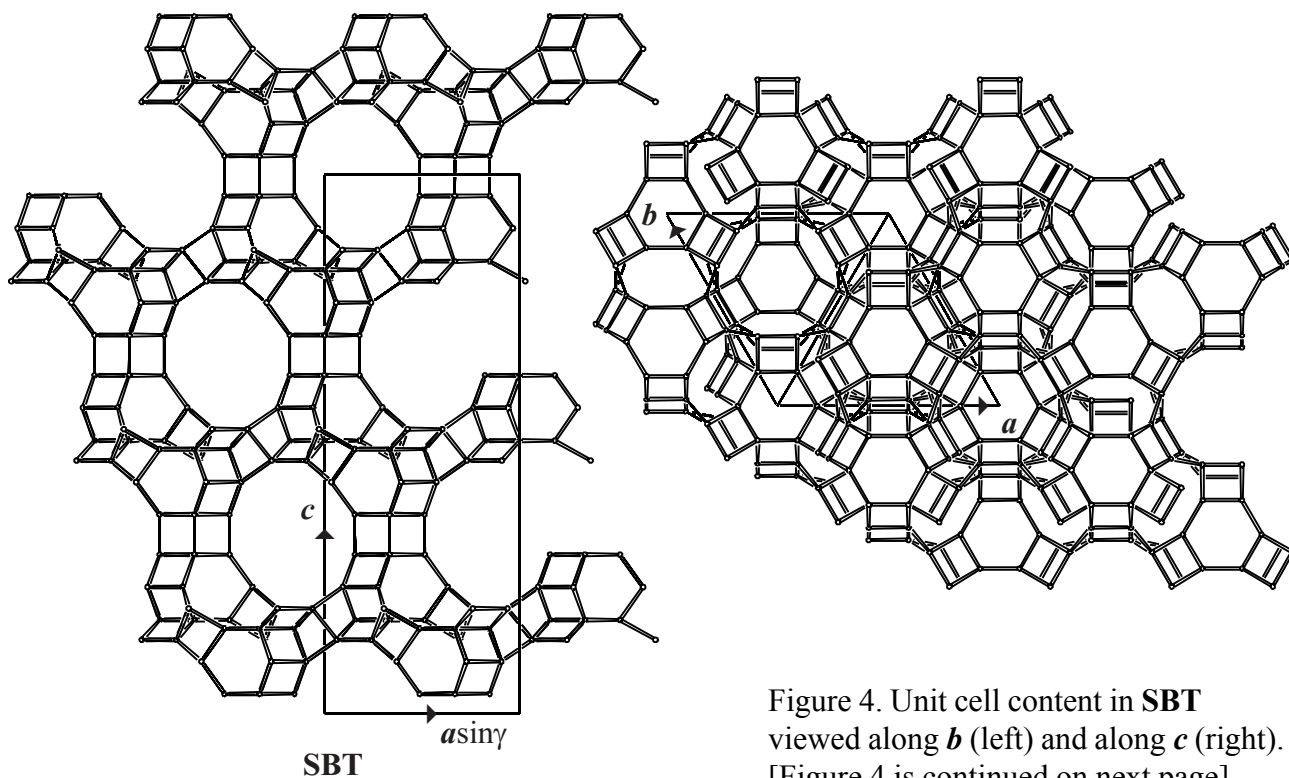


Figure 4. Unit cell content in **SBT** viewed along b (left) and along c (right). [Figure 4 is continued on next page]

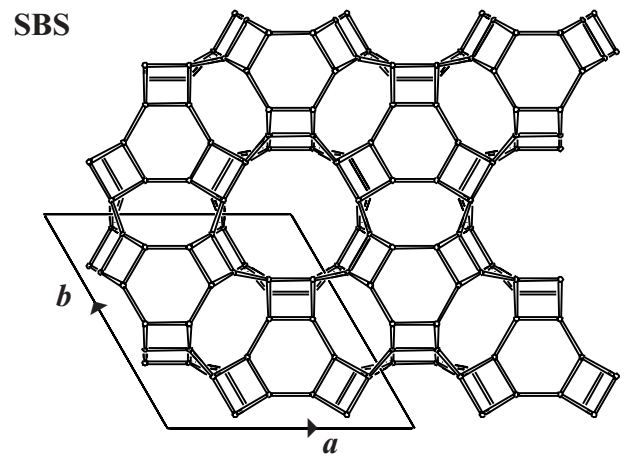
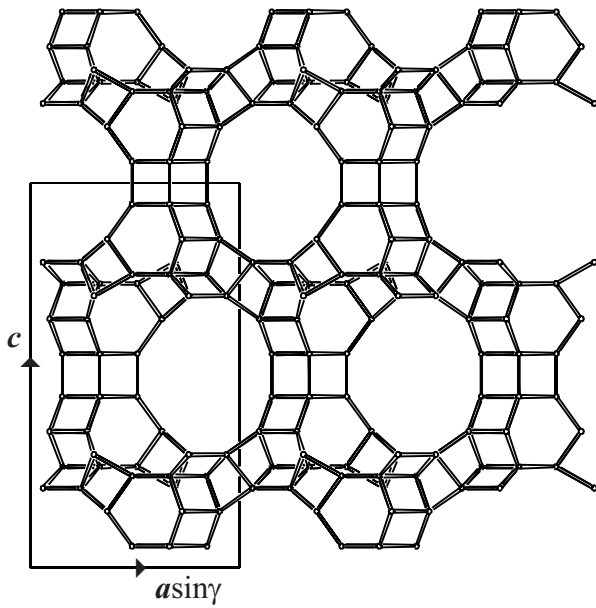


Figure 4 [Cont'd]. Unit cell content in SBS viewed along b (left) and along c (right). ▲

4. Channels and/or cages:

In SBS and SBT 12-ring channels are parallel to $\langle 010 \rangle$. In SBS there are also 12-ring channels parallel to $[001]$. Channel, cages and channel intersections (or cavities) are depicted in Figure 5. For each type of cavity the **pore descriptor** is added in Figure 5. The fusion of channel, cages and cavities is illustrated in Figure 6.

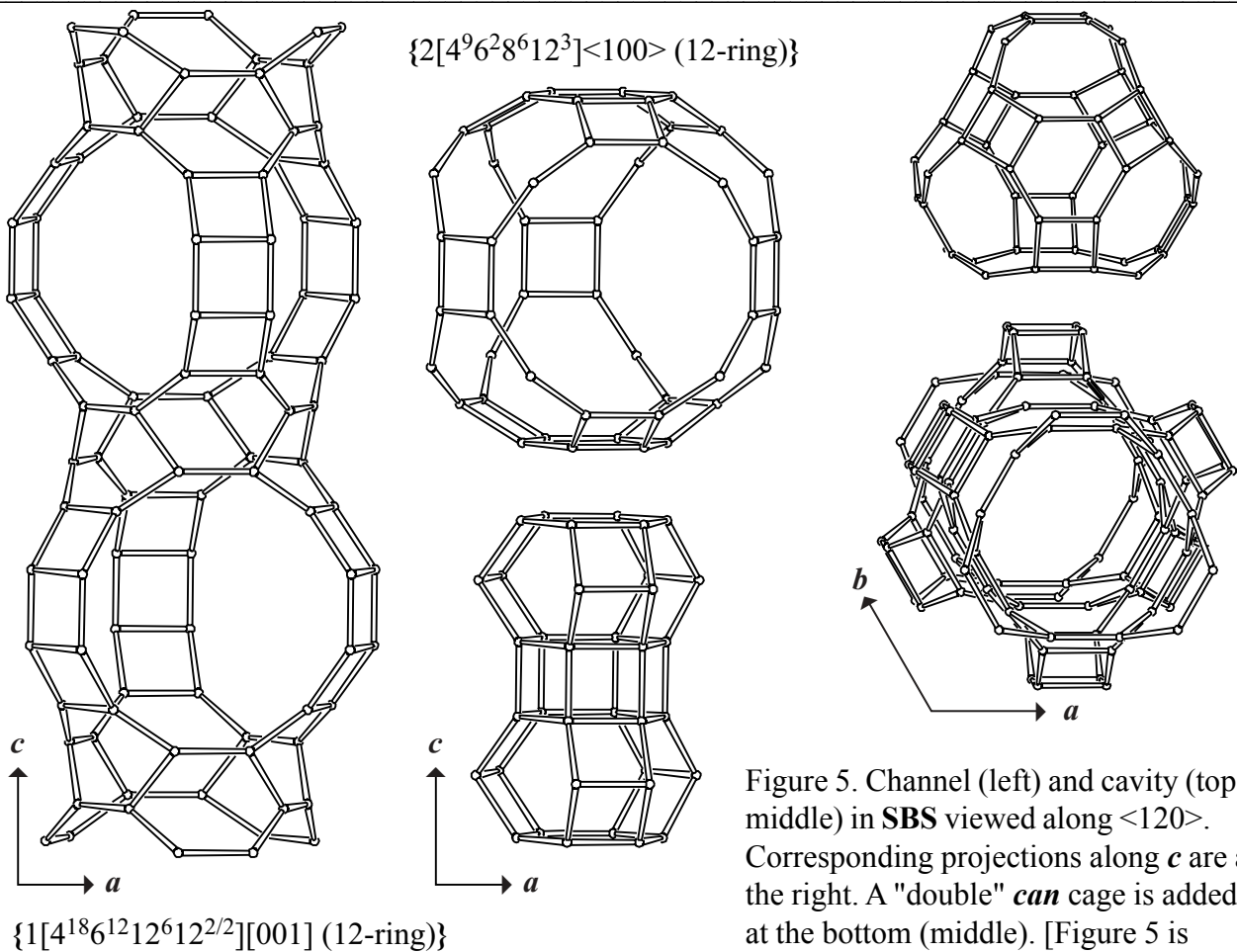


Figure 5. Channel (left) and cavity (top middle) in SBS viewed along $\langle 120 \rangle$. Corresponding projections along c are at the right. A "double" *can* cage is added at the bottom (middle). [Figure 5 is continued on next page]

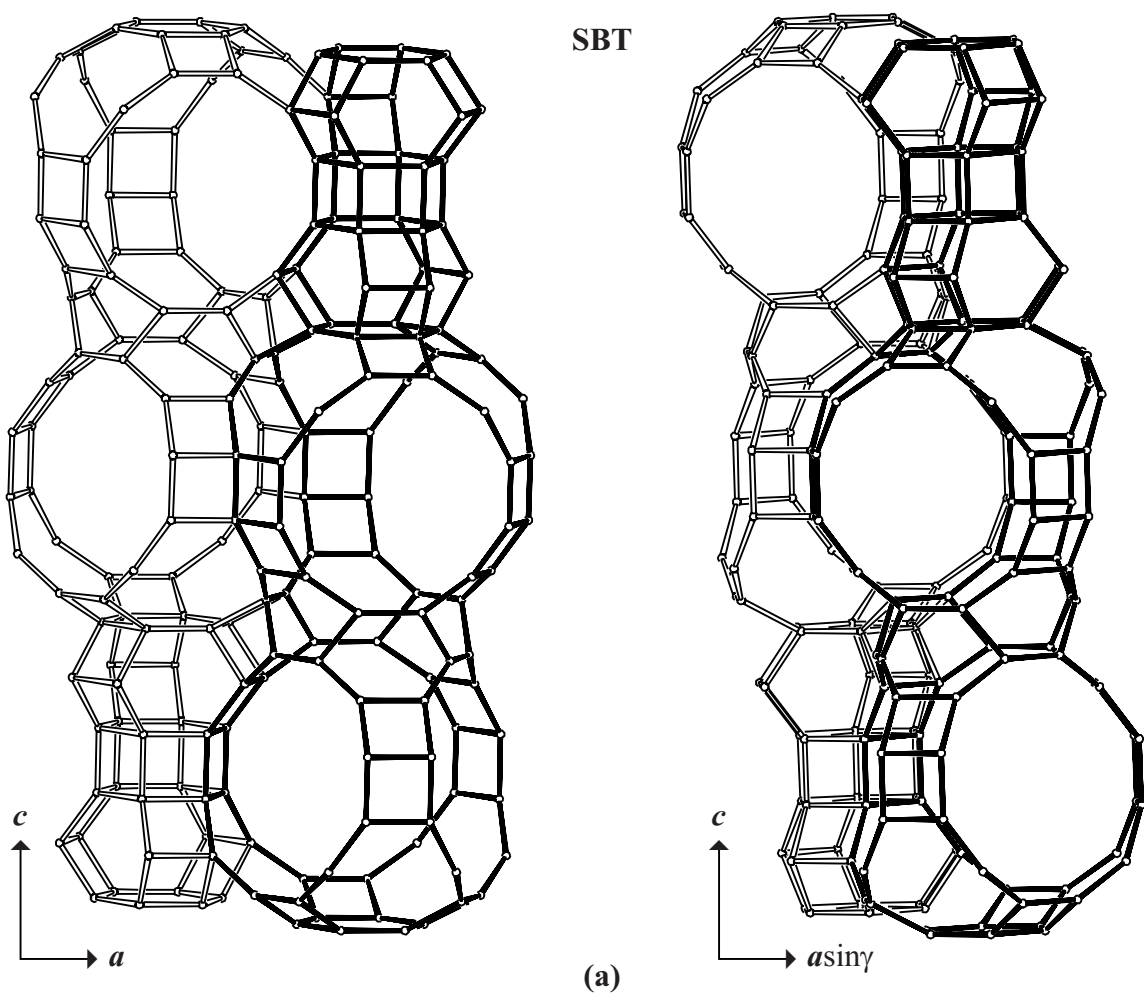
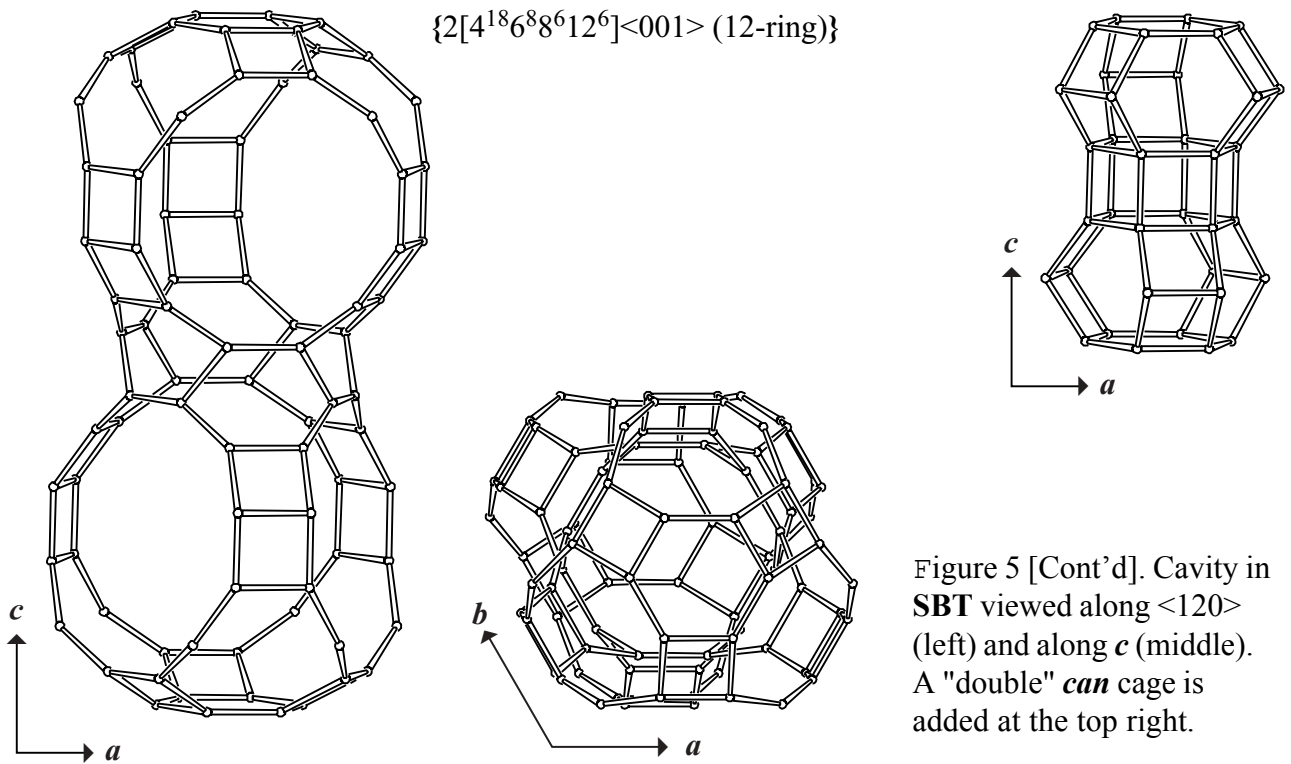


Figure 6(a). Fusion of double *can* cages and cavities in **SBT** viewed along $\langle 120 \rangle$ (left) and along the 12-ring channel axis parallel to $\langle 010 \rangle$ (right). The framework of **SBT** can as well be constructed from double *can* cages with "handles" (see Figure 3: connection mode **(1)** and Figure 5). [Figure 6 is continued on next page]

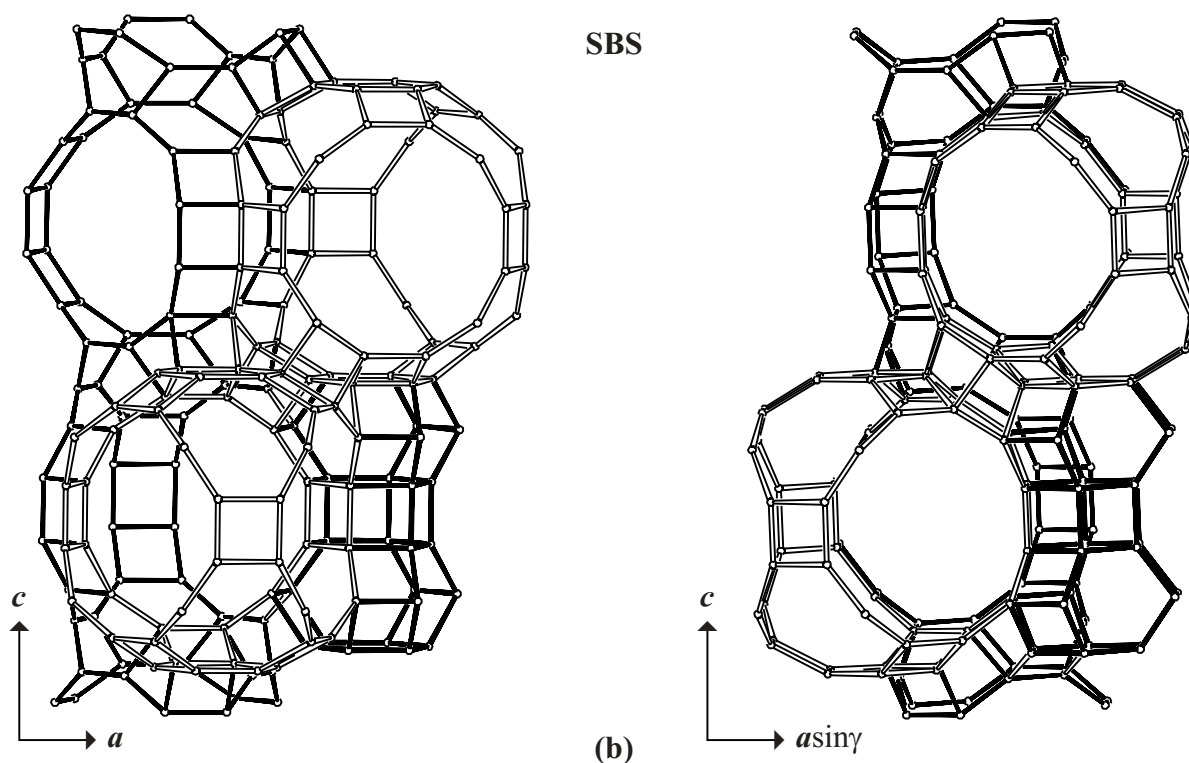


Figure 6(b). Fusion of channel, *can* cages and cavities in **SBS** viewed along $\langle 120 \rangle$ (left) and along the 12-ring channel axis parallel to $\langle 010 \rangle$ (right). The framework of **SBS** can as well be constructed from complete cavities (built from six 8-rings; see Figures 5 and 6(b)) as from double *can* cages with "handles" (see Figure 3: connection mode (2) and Figure 5). Compare the linkage of cavities with the linkage of cavities in **SBE**.

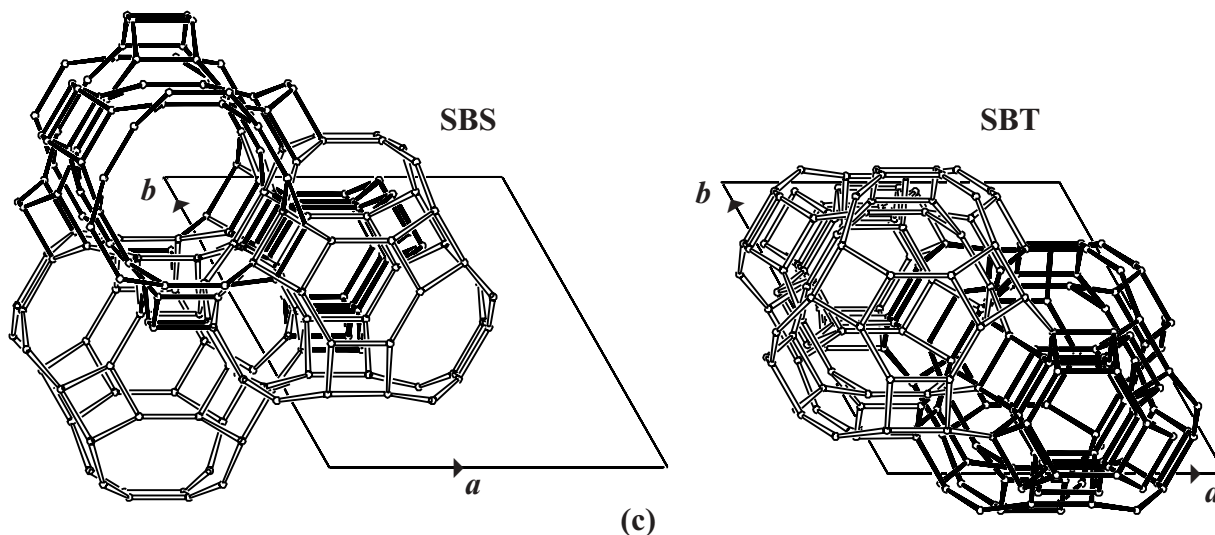


Figure 6(c). **SBS** (left), and **SBT** (right) viewed along c . In **SBT** the free entrance to the 12-ring channel parallel to c is seriously hampered.

5. Supplementary information:

Other framework types containing (modified) cavities

Several framework types, like **SBS** and **SBT**, can be built using (modified) cavities.

In the **INTRO** pages links are given to a detailed description of a sub-set of framework types that contain (modified) cavities (choose: **Cages**). There is also a link provided to a summary of the PerBUs used in the building schemes of these framework types (choose: **Appendix; Figure 11**). ▲