

ToBaCCo 3.0 Manual

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1 Background and Motivation

ToBaCCo stands for Topologically Based Crystal Constructor. It takes as input molecular building blocks and topological blueprints and outputs porous crystals constructed from the molecular building blocks with underlying topologies according to the topological blueprints as crystallographic information (.cif) files. These crystals can then be used in molecular simulation or as an aid to materials characterization.

The ToBaCCo crystal construction procedure allows for the rapid computational “synthesis” of thousands of porous crystals, as well as the targeted synthesis of a single crystal or class of crystals.

2 Installation and Dependencies

The ToBaCCo code can be cloned or downloaded from <https://github.com/tobacco-mofs>. ToBaCCo is written in Python 2.7, and requires the network, scipy, and numpy modules. These can be installed via

```
pip install -r tobacco_requirements.txt
```

(the tobacco_requirements.txt file is included with the ToBaCCo code). However, we recommend simply installing the Anaconda distribution of Python 2.7 (<https://www.anaconda.com/download/>) for use with ToBaCCo. Once the code is cloned or downloaded and the requirements are installed ToBaCCo is ready to run (no compilation steps are required).

3 Basic Usage

Essentially, ToBaCCo reads in a topological blueprint (see section 4), finds compatible node building blocks (see section 5) from a defined set, and constructs all possible crystal structures with the topology defined by the blueprint resulting from different combinations of the compatible node building blocks and members of a defined set of edge building blocks (see section 5). This is accomplished by scaling the blueprint (resulting in a geometrical representation of the topology defined by node coordinates) to fit the geometry of each node/edge combination, then translating/rotating the node and edge building blocks into the scaled coordinates. Thus, when presented with a large number of compatible nodes/edges many crystals can be built from a single topology. Topologies are read from the “templates” directory included with the ToBaCCo code. If multiple templates are present, crystal construction will be attempted for each template (in a for loop). Node and edge building blocks are read from the “nodes” and “edges” directory respectively. Each node and edge building block present in their respective directories will be considered for each topology. If no compatible nodes are found for a certain topology no crystal will be constructed for that topology. Compatibility is assessed by

comparing the number of connections node building blocks can make (with edge building blocks), the number of incident edges for each type of node in the topological blueprint.

For specific details on crystallographic topologies and the ToBaCCo algorithm see

Colon, Y. J., Gomez-Gualdron, D. & Snurr, R. Q. Topologically-Guided, Automated Construction of MOFs and their Evaluation for Energy-Related Applications. *Cryst. Growth Des.* (2017). doi:10.1021/acs.cgd.7b00848*

* Note that this publication is for ToBaCCo 1.0, a new citation will be added for ToBaCCo 3.0, pending publication.

Once the desired templates and node/edge building blocks are in their respective directories ToBaCCo can be run in a terminal window thus:

```
python tobacco.py
```

(windows users can run the same command in an Anaconda terminal, which is included with the Anaconda distribution of Python). Constructed crystals will be output in the “output_cifs” directory included with ToBaCCo.

4 Topological Blueprints

ToBaCCo reads topological blueprints as CIFs (i.e. .cif files). The CIF format is commonly used to represent the geometry of molecular crystals, where each atom in the crystal is given a label (usually corresponding to its atomic symbol, possibly together with a numerical index), and a 3-dimensional coordinate. Optionally, each bond in the crystal can also be defined in a CIF as list of atoms pairs (each pair defining a bond between its members). Frequently, CIFs include only the atoms/bonds needed to generate all the atoms/bonds in the crystallographic unit cell once the space group symmetry operations (also provided in the CIF) are included. In the topological blueprint CIFs read by ToBaCCo, each node is represented by an element, with 3D coordinate, and edges are represented by bonds. Note that coordinates of *every* node are included (removing the need to include space group information).

In general, crystallographic topologies can have N types of nodes and M types of edges. ToBaCCo is capable of reading topologies with up to 30 types of nodes and any number of edges. By convention, the first five node types are labelled with the elements V, Er, Ti, Ce, S (covers most useful cases). The next 25 types can be labelled by any elements 1 through 28 (H through Ni), which have not already been used. An example template for the topology **pfm** is shown below.

```

data_pfm\2)\2)
_audit_creation_date      2018-12-01
_audit_creation_method    'Materials Studio'
_symmetry_space_group_name_H-M 'P1'
_symmetry_Int_Tables_number 1
_symmetry_cell_setting    triclinic
loop_
_symmetry_equiv_pos_as_xyz
  x,y,z
_cell_length_a      14.1420
_cell_length_b      14.1420
_cell_length_c      28.2840
_cell_angle_alpha    90.0000
_cell_angle_beta     90.0000
_cell_angle_gamma     90.0000
loop_
_atom_site_label
_atom_site_type_symbol
_atom_site_fract_x
_atom_site_fract_y
_atom_site_fract_z
_atom_site_U_iso_or_equiv
_atom_site_adp_type
_atom_site_occupancy
V1      V      0.00000  0.00000  0.00000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
V2      V      0.50000  0.50000  0.50000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er3     Er      0.00000  0.50000  0.25000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er4     Er      0.50000  0.00000  0.25000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er5     Er      0.00000  0.50000  0.75000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er6     Er      0.50000  0.00000  0.75000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Ti7     Ti      0.00000  0.00000  0.50000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Ti8     Ti      0.50000  0.50000  0.00000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
loop_
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_1
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_2
_geom_bond_distance
_geom_bond_site_symmetry_2
_ccdc_geom_bond_type
V1      Er3      10.000  .      S
V1      Er4      10.000  .      S
V1      Ti8      10.000  1_445 S
V1      Ti8      10.000  1_545 S
V1      Ti8      10.000  1_455 S
V1      Er5      10.000  1_554 S
V1      Er5      10.000  1_544 S
V1      Er6      10.000  1_454 S
V1      Er6      10.000  1_554 S
V1      Er3      10.000  1_545 S
V1      Er4      10.000  1_455 S
V2      Ti7      10.000  .      S
V2      Er3      10.000  .      S
V2      Er4      10.000  .      S
V2      Er5      10.000  .      S
V2      Er6      10.000  .      S
V2      Ti7      10.000  1_665 S
V2      Ti7      10.000  1_655 S
V2      Ti7      10.000  1_565 S
V2      Er4      10.000  1_565 S
V2      Er3      10.000  1_655 S
V2      Er6      10.000  1_565 S
V2      Er5      10.000  1_655 S
Er3      V1      10.000  1_565 S
Er3      V2      10.000  1_455 S
Er4      V1      10.000  1_655 S
Er4      V2      10.000  1_545 S
Er5      V1      10.000  1_556 S
Er5      V1      10.000  1_566 S
Er5      V2      10.000  1_455 S
Er6      V1      10.000  1_656 S
Er6      V1      10.000  1_556 S
Er6      V2      10.000  1_545 S
Ti7      V2      10.000  1_445 S
Ti7      V2      10.000  1_455 S
Ti7      V2      10.000  1_545 S
Ti8      V1      10.000  1_665 S
Ti8      V1      10.000  1_565 S
Ti8      V1      10.000  1_655 S
V1      Ti8      10.000  .      S

```

The **pfm** topology has three types of nodes (labelled, V, Er, and Ti). For the template to be compatible with ToBaCCo the unit cell parameters (a, b, c, α , β , γ) must be include and defined thus:

```
_cell_length_a      14.1420
_cell_length_b      14.1420
_cell_length_c      28.2840
_cell_angle_alpha    90.0000
_cell_angle_beta     90.0000
_cell_angle_gamma    90.0000
```

In addition, in the section defining node coordinates, e.g.

```
V1    V    0.00000  0.00000  0.00000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
V2    V    0.50000  0.50000  0.50000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er3   Er    0.00000  0.50000  0.25000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er4   Er    0.50000  0.00000  0.25000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er5   Er    0.00000  0.50000  0.75000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Er6   Er    0.50000  0.00000  0.75000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Ti7   Ti    0.00000  0.00000  0.50000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
Ti8   Ti    0.50000  0.50000  0.00000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00
```

for **pfm**, the first five columns *must* correspond to the node type combined with a numerical index (making a unique label for each node in the template), node type, fractional x-coordinate, fractional y-coordinate, and fractional z-coordinate, respectively and in that order. Any additional columns will be ignored. Finally, the first four columns in the section defining the edges (i.e. “bonds” between nodes) *must* correspond to the first node defining the edge, second node defining the edge, the edge length in Å, and the edge symmetry label, respectively and in that order. Any additional columns will be ignored. The first five edges in the **pfm** topology, defined following this convention are reproduced below.

```
V1    Er3    10.000  .      S
V1    Er4    10.000  .      S
V1    Ti8    10.000  1_445 S
V1    Ti8    10.000  1_545 S
V1    Ti8    10.000  1_455 S
```

Any other section present in the template CIF will be ignored, although we recommend the “loop” sections defining the node coordinate and edge columns should be retained for clarity and to retain compatibility with future versions of ToBaCCo. For example:

```
loop_
_atom_site_label
_atom_site_type_symbol
_atom_site_fract_x
_atom_site_fract_y
_atom_site_fract_z
_atom_site_U_iso_or_equiv
_atom_site_adp_type
_atom_site_occupancy
```

5 Molecular Building Blocks

ToBaCCo reads molecular building blocks from CIFs. Unlike topological templates, molecular building blocks are comprised of actual atoms bonded together into molecules, and the coordinate and bond sections of the CIFs used to define building blocks for ToBaCCo reflect this. That is, atoms are labelled by their element, and the bonding section should contain the actual bonds present in the molecule. An example CIF for a node building block is shown below.

```

data_sym_3_on_2
_audit_creation_date      2018-12-11
_audit_creation_method    'tobacco_3.0'
_symmetry_space_group_name_H-M 'P1'
_symmetry_Int_Tables_number 1
_symmetry_cell_setting    triclinic
loop_
_symmetry_equiv_pos_as_xyz
  x,y,z
_cell_length_a      20.0000
_cell_length_b      20.0000
_cell_length_c      20.0000
_cell_angle_alpha    90.0000
_cell_angle_beta     90.0000
_cell_angle_gamma    90.0000
loop_
_atom_site_label
_atom_site_type_symbol
_atom_site_fract_x
_atom_site_fract_y
_atom_site_fract_z
_atom_site_U_iso_or_equiv
_atom_site_adp_type
_atom_site_occupancy
_atom_site_charge
X1      C  -0.0770000000  0.0000000000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.034261
C2      C  -0.0385000000 -0.0666800000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00 -0.127236
X3      C  0.0385000000 -0.0666800000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.009264
C4      C  0.0770000000  0.0000000000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00 -0.112496
X5      C  0.0385000000  0.0666800000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.03418
C6      C  -0.0385000000  0.0666800000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00 -0.106703
H7      H  -0.0670000000 -0.1160500000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.090128
H8      H   0.1340000000 -0.0000000000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.065416
H9      H  -0.0670000000  0.1160500000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.063889
loop_
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_1
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_2
_geom_bond_distance
_geom_bond_site_symmetry_2
_ccdc_geom_bond_type
X1      C2  1.540      .  A
X1      C6  1.540      .  A
C2      X3  1.540      .  A
C2      H7  1.140      .  S
X3      C4  1.540      .  A
C4      X5  1.540      .  A
C4      H8  1.140      .  S
X5      C6  1.540      .  A
C6      H9  1.140      .  S

```

For the building block CIF to be compatible with ToBaCCo the unit cell parameters (a, b, c, α , β , γ) must be include and defined, for example:

```

_cell_length_a      10.0000
_cell_length_b      10.0000
_cell_length_c      10.0000
_cell_angle_alpha    90.0000
_cell_angle_beta     90.0000
_cell_angle_gamma    90.0000

```

Also, in the section defining atom coordinates, e.g.,

```

X1      C  -0.0770000000  0.0000000000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.034261
C2      C  -0.0385000000 -0.0666800000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00 -0.127236
X3      C  0.0385000000 -0.0666800000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.009264
C4      C  0.0770000000  0.0000000000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00 -0.112496
X5      C  0.0385000000  0.0666800000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.03418
C6      C  -0.0385000000  0.0666800000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00 -0.106703
H7      H  -0.0670000000 -0.1160500000  0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.090128
H8      H   0.1340000000 -0.0000000000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.065416
H9      H  -0.0670000000  0.1160500000 -0.0000000000  0.00000  Uiso  1.00  0.063889

```

the first five columns *must* correspond to the element combined with a numerical index (making a unique label for each atom in the template), element, fractional x-coordinate, fractional y-coordinate, and fractional z-coordinate, respectively and in that order. If the user is employing the ToBaCCo MBBB charge assignment method (see section 6), the last column should give the charge of each atom. Atoms which are connection points are labelled as “X”, but their correct element (in this case carbon) is given in the next column. Not that in the above example there are three connection site atoms, all carbon.

Finally, the first five columns in the section defining the bonds *must* correspond to the first atom defining the bond, second atom defining the bond, the bond length in Å, the bond symmetry label, and the bond type (“S” for single, “D” for double, “T” for triple, and “A” for aromatic). respectively and in that order. Any additional columns will be ignored. The bond section for the example node building block is shown below.

X1	C2	1.540	.	A
X1	C6	1.540	.	A
C2	X3	1.540	.	A
C2	H7	1.140	.	S
X3	C4	1.540	.	A
C4	X5	1.540	.	A
C4	H8	1.140	.	S
X5	C6	1.540	.	A
C6	H9	1.140	.	S

CIFs for edge building blocks follow the format as those for node building blocks, although edge building blocks must always have only two connection site atoms.

6 Atomic Charges

ToBaCCo can build crystals with atomic charges according to the Molecular Building Block Based (MBBB) charge assignment method described in

Argueta, E. *et al.* Molecular Building Block-Based Electronic Charges for High-Throughput Screening of Metal–Organic Frameworks for Adsorption Applications. *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* **14**, 365–376 (2018).

In this method, charges assigned to the molecular building blocks (typically using a non-periodic DFT calculation) of a crystal are reproduced in the infinite crystal (as closely as possible). If the user specifies that charges are to be used (see section 7), charges are read from each node/edge building block and reassigned to the constructed CIF. Typically, this results in a small, but non-negligible net charge in the crystalline unit cell. This net charge is cancelled by slightly rescaling the charges of all non-metal atoms in the crystal to result in a zero net charge.

7 Configuration and Advanced Usage

The ToBaCCo distribution contains a file “configuration.py” which can be altered to change how ToBaCCo handles output, node and edge assignment, scaling templates, and special cases such as one atom nodes or node-to-node connections (i.e. connections without an edge building block). An example of this file is shown below.

```

PRINT = False
CONNECTION_SITE_BOND_LENGTH = 1.7
YOU_ARE_PATIENT = False

CHECK_NUMBER_OF_VERTICES_AND_EDGES = False
WRITE_CHECK_FILES = False
WRITE_CIF = True

USER_SPECIFIED_NODE_ASSIGNMENT = False
COMBINATORIAL_EDGE_ASSIGNMENT = True
CHARGES = True

SYMMETRY_TOL = {3:0.2, 4:0.2, 5:0.2, 6:0.2, 7:0.5, 8:0.5, 9:0.5, 10:0.5, 12:0.5, 24:1.0}
BOND_TOL = 10.0
EXPANSIVE_BOND_SEARCH = False
TRACE_BOND_MAKING = False

NODE_TO_NODE = True
SINGLE_ATOM_NODE = True
ONE_ATOM_NODE_CN = (True, {'Zn':4, 'C':4})

PLACE_EDGES_BETWEEN_CONNECTION_POINTS = True

```

Each element of this file and their possible assignments will be explained in turn in the following sub-sections.

7.1 PRINT [True | False]

If True, additional output will be printed about the cycle-cocycle space of each template. This is included primarily for debugging purposes and does not affect input or the output structures.

7.2 CONNECTION_SITE_BOND_LENGTH [float]

This defines the distance between node-edge connection sites in Å, e.g. the bond length between node connection site atoms and bond connection site atoms. The resulting crystal will connection site bond lengths as close as possible to this value. The value should usually be set between 1.5 and 1.7 Å.

7.3 YOU_ARE_PATIENT [True | False]

If True, a global basin-hopping algorithm will be used to find the optimal net scaling (i.e. the scaling which maximally overlaps the assigned node and edge building block geometry). Otherwise a local optimization procedure will be used. We recommend using the local optimization procedure in the vast majority of cases. Global optimization will potentially increase the time taken to construct each crystal by several orders of magnitude, and usually gives the nearly the same result as local optimization.

7.4 CHECK_NUMBER_OF_VERTICES_AND_EDGES [True | False]

If True, ToBaCCo will attempt to check that the number of vertices and edges in each template is correct. This requires the user to name each template as “name_NV_NE” where NV is the correct number of vertices and NE is the correct number of edges. This option is primarily

included to check new templates after construction and should be set to False for crystal production.

7.5 WRITE_CHECK_FILES [True | False]

If True, several additional CIFs are written to the “check_cifs” directory for each template/constructed crystal. CIFs of the template node geometry before and after scaling will be written, as well as a CIF for each crystal that does not include any bonds between atoms. This option is included primarily for debugging purposes.

7.6 WRITE_CIF [True | False]

If True, a CIF for each constructed crystal will be written as a CIF. This option is included to be used in future versions of ToBaCCo which will output crystals in additional formats.

7.7 USER_SPECIFIED_NODE_ASSIGNMENT [True | False]

If True, the user can specify exactly the molecular building block assigned to each node type. This specification can be made either with a text file (recommended) or by standard input (keyboard prompt). A standard input prompt will only be made if the text file input cannot be found in the ToBaCCo directory. The node specification text file is called “vertex_assignment.txt”, a template for which is shown below.

```
V  N1.cif
Er N2.cif
Ti N3.cif
Ce N4.cif
S  N5.cif
...
```

Each line gives a CIF (second column) to use for each node type (see section 4). Up to 30 node types can be assigned, above only five are shown. For each assignment a CIF of the same name *must* be present in the “nodes” directory. If any node building block is not compatible with its assigned node, no crystal will be output. Different nodes can be assigned the same CIF. This option should be set to True when the user wants to target a specific crystal or class of crystals.

7.8 COMBINATORIAL_EDGE_ASSIGNMENT [True | False]

If True, crystals of all possible edge assignments will be constructed. For example, if a template has two edge types and two edge building blocks are provided, four unique crystals can be constructed. If False, edges will be assigned edge building blocks in alphanumeric order according to the name of their CIF. Setting this option to False can make targeted crystal synthesis more efficient for topologies with many edge types.

7.9 CHARGES [True | False]

If True, atomic charges provided in the molecular building block CIFs (see section 5) will be remapped to the constructed crystals (see section 6).

7.10 SYMMETRY_TOL [dictionary of floats]

The default value of SYMMETRY_TOL is {3:0.2, 4:0.2, 5:0.2, 6:0.2, 7:0.5, 8:0.5, 9:0.5, 10:0.5, 12:0.5, 24:1.0}. This defines the root-mean squared deviation allowed between node building block unit connection site vectors and the unit edge vectors. This is defined on a coordination number basis. That is, for the above default values, nodes with coordination number 4 will not be assigned building blocks whose geometry deviates from the *unscaled* node geometry by more than 0.2 Å. In general, higher coordination number nodes should be allowed more deviation. Note that the default values are strict and should be relaxed depending on the needs of the user.

7.11 BOND_TOL [float]

This defines the distance criteria in Å used to form connection site bonds, in two atoms labeled “X” (i.e. connection sites) are within this distance a bond will be added between them. Note that this tolerance can be quite large and still result in accurate structures as the structure is scanned for incorrect connection site bonding before the final CIF is written. A values of between 3 and 10 Å is usually sufficient, but should always be greater than CONNECTION_SITE_BOND_LENGTH.

7.12 EXPANSIVE_BOND_SEARCH [True | False]

If True, potential bonds will be searched over distances much larger than the largest scaled template edge length. This option is included primarily for debugging purposes and should be set to False by most users.

7.13 TRACE_BOND_MAKING [True | False]

If True, additional standard output following the progress of bond formation will be made. This is useful for templates with a large number of nodes, where bond formation may comprise the majority of the time taken to construct a crystal.

7.14 NODE_TO_NODE [True | False]

If True, ToBaCCo will make direct node to node connections if the edge building block “NTN.cif” is included in the “edges” directory. This building block is comprised of dummy atoms which are removed after placement (allowing for node to node connection) if this option is true, the CIF is shown below.

```
data_3D\Atomistic\(\2)
_audit_creation_date      2018-06-20
_audit_creation_method    'Materials Studio'
_symmetry_space_group_name_H-M 'P1'
_symmetry_Int_Tables_number 1
_symmetry_cell_setting    triclinic
loop_
_symmetry_equiv_pos_as_xyz
  x,y,z
_cell_length_a            10.0000
_cell_length_b            10.0000
_cell_length_c            10.0000
_cell_angle_alpha         90.0000
_cell_angle_beta          90.0000
_cell_angle_gamma         90.0000
loop_
_atom_site_label
```

```

_atom_site_type_symbol
_atom_site_fract_x
_atom_site_fract_y
_atom_site_fract_z
_atom_site_U_iso_or_equiv
_atom_site_adp_type
_atom_site_occupancy
X1   Fr   -0.50817   0.13462   0.00000   0.00000   Uiso   1.00
X2   Fr   -0.50683   0.13509   0.00000   0.00000   Uiso   1.00
loop_
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_1
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_2
_geom_bond_distance
_geom_bond_site_symmetry_2
_ccdc_geom_bond_type
X1   X2   0.014   .   S

```

Dummy atoms used in ToBaCCo should be labelled “Fr”, so they can be recognized for removal in the final structure. If this option is True and “NTN.cif” is not included in the “edges” directory, ToBaCCo will still run as normal. However, if the option is False and “NTN.cif” is included in the “edges” directory the dummy atoms will not be removed.

7.15 ONE_ATOM_NODE_CN [tuple]

An example of the value for this field is (True, {'Zn' : 4, 'C' : 4}). The value must be tuple whose first element is [True | False] and whose second value is a dictionary with integer values. If the first element is True, ToBaCCo will remove dummy atoms included with one atom nodes. In ToBaCCo, one atom nodes are described by the node atom and several dummy atoms which define connection sites, for example:

```

data_1AN
_audit_creation_date          2018-08-15
_audit_creation_method        'Materials Studio'
_symmetry_space_group_name_H-M 'P1'
_symmetry_Int_Tables_number    1
_symmetry_cell_setting         triclinic
loop_
_symmetry_equiv_pos_as_xyz
  x,y,z
_cell_length_a                10.0000
_cell_length_b                10.0000
_cell_length_c                10.0000
_cell_angle_alpha              90.0000
_cell_angle_beta              90.0000
_cell_angle_gamma              90.0000
loop_
_atom_site_label
_atom_site_type_symbol
_atom_site_fract_x
_atom_site_fract_y
_atom_site_fract_z
_atom_site_U_iso_or_equiv
_atom_site_adp_type
_atom_site_occupancy
_atom_site_charge
C1   C   0.27679   0.15821   0.30141   0.00000   Uiso   1.00   0.00 -0.02191
X2   Fr   0.23879   0.05439   0.32922   0.00000   Uiso   1.00   0.00 0
X3   Fr   0.23879   0.18603   0.19759   0.00000   Uiso   1.00   0.00 0
X4   Fr   0.23879   0.23421   0.37741   0.00000   Uiso   1.00   0.00 0
X5   Fr   0.39079   0.15821   0.30141   0.00000   Uiso   1.00   0.00 0
loop_
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_1
_geom_bond_atom_site_label_2
_geom_bond_distance
_geom_bond_site_symmetry_2
_ccdc_geom_bond_type
C1   X2   1.140   .   S
C1   X3   1.140   .   S
C1   X4   1.140   .   S
C1   X5   1.140   .   S

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is the CIF for a one atom node consisting of carbon, which can form four connections (dummy atoms are labelled “Fr”). The second element of the tuple defines how many bonds one atom nodes of a particular element can form. Thus, in the above example, carbon nodes can form four bonds, as can zinc nodes. In general, the first element in the tuple should always be True, since it does not affect output if not one atom nodes are included.

7.16 PLACE_EDGES_BETWEEN_CONNECTION_POINTS [True | False]

If True, edge building blocks are adjusted in the final crystal to have their center of mass between the node connection sites they are connected to, rather than the node center of mass. In cases where an imperfect scaling solution is achieved for the template, this produces more realistic structures. We recommend that this option is always set to True, as be perfect or near perfect scaling is achieved the resulting crystal is negligibly changed.