

Quasicrystals. I. Definition and structure

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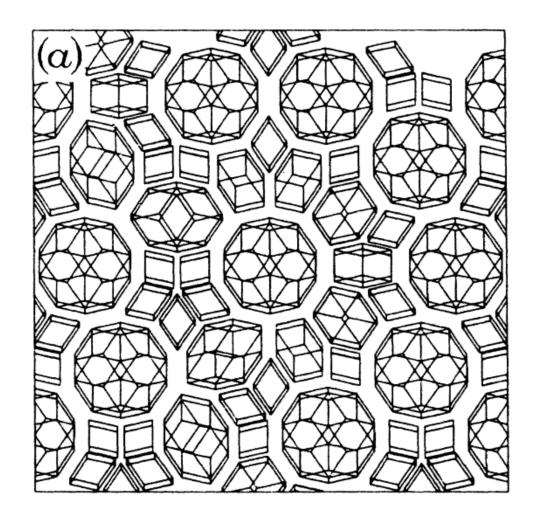
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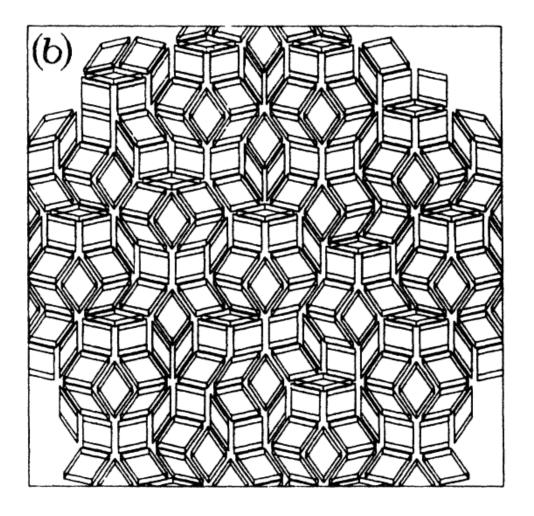
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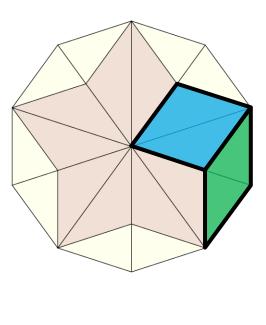
that cell. An alternative and much more useful construction makes use of four types of unit cells, each of which is a zonohedron that can be formed from the oblate and prolate rhombohedral bricks: (a) a rhombic triacontahedron formed from ten oblate and ten prolate bricks; (b) a rhombic icosahedron formed from five oblate and five prolate bricks; (c) a rhombic dodecahedron formed from two oblate and two prolate bricks; and (d) a single prolate rhombohedron. Associated with these four units is a set of

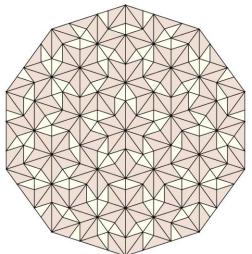
## Zonohedra with golden rhombic faces

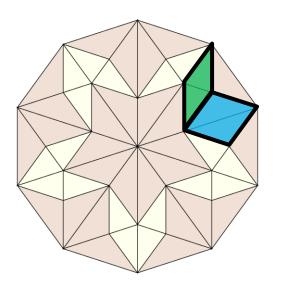
Solid name	Triacontahedron	Icosahedron	Dodecahedron	Hexahedron (acute/obtuse)	Rhombus (2-faced)
Full symmetry	lh (order 120)	D5d (order 20)	D <sub>2h</sub> (order 8)	D <sub>3d</sub> (order 12)	D <sub>2h</sub> (order 8)
n Belts of $(2(n-1))_n$ // edges [10]	6 belts of 10 <sub>6</sub> // edges	5 belts of 85 // edges	4 belts of 64 // edges	3 belts of 43 // edges	2 belts of 2 <sub>2</sub> // edges
n(n-1) Faces <sup>[11]</sup>	30	20 (–10)	12 (–8)	6 (-6)	2 (-4)
2 <i>n</i> ( <i>n</i> -1) Edges <sup>[12]</sup>	60	40 (–20)	24 (–16)	12 (–12)	4 (-8)
n(n-1)+2 Vertices <sup>[13]</sup>	32	22 (–10)	14 (-8)	8 (-6)	4 (-4)
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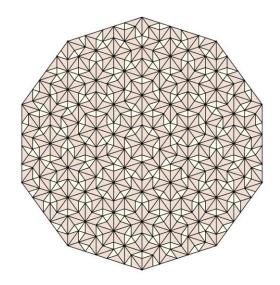


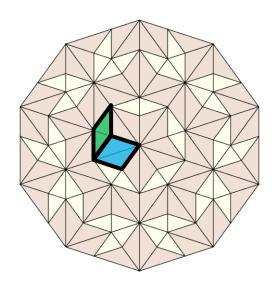


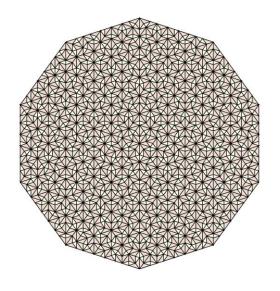




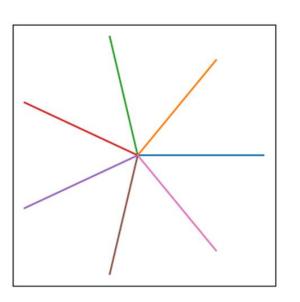


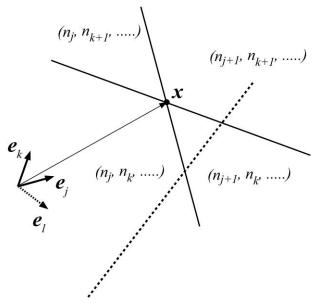






## **Generalized dual method (GDM)**





$$t_{n_j,n_k}^0 = n_j \boldsymbol{e}_j + n_k \boldsymbol{e}_k + \sum_{l \neq j \neq k} (\lfloor (x_{n_j} \boldsymbol{u}_{jk} + x_{n_k} \boldsymbol{u}_{kj}) \cdot \boldsymbol{e}_l - \alpha_l \rfloor + 1) \boldsymbol{e}_l.$$

