

Division of Colloid and Surface Chemistry  
American Chemical Society

## 2021 Victor K. LaMer Award



### **Dr. Rose Cersonsky (currently Postdoctoral Research at EPFL)**

- B.S. 2014 in Materials Science and Engineering, University of Connecticut
- Ph.D. 2019 in Macromolecular Science and Engineering, University of Michigan
  - Advisor: Sharon Glotzer
- Postdoctoral Associate, EPFL, 2019-present

**Dissertation: “Designing Particle Shapes for Self-Assembly of Novel Colloidal Crystals”**

### **Ph.D. research accomplishments:**

- Published 6 papers (5 as first author), including 2 focused on education
- Developed fundamental understanding of the role of particle shape, excluded volume and entropic packing in controlling symmetry of ordered colloidal assemblies. Pioneered data-driven approaches to predicting and understanding structure-property relations in ordered colloidal phases, including photonics.

### **Selection committee:**

Matthew Helgeson (chair), University of California Santa Barbara

Brandi Cossairt, University of Washington

Kyle Bishop, Columbia University

Maria Santore, University of Massachusetts Amherst

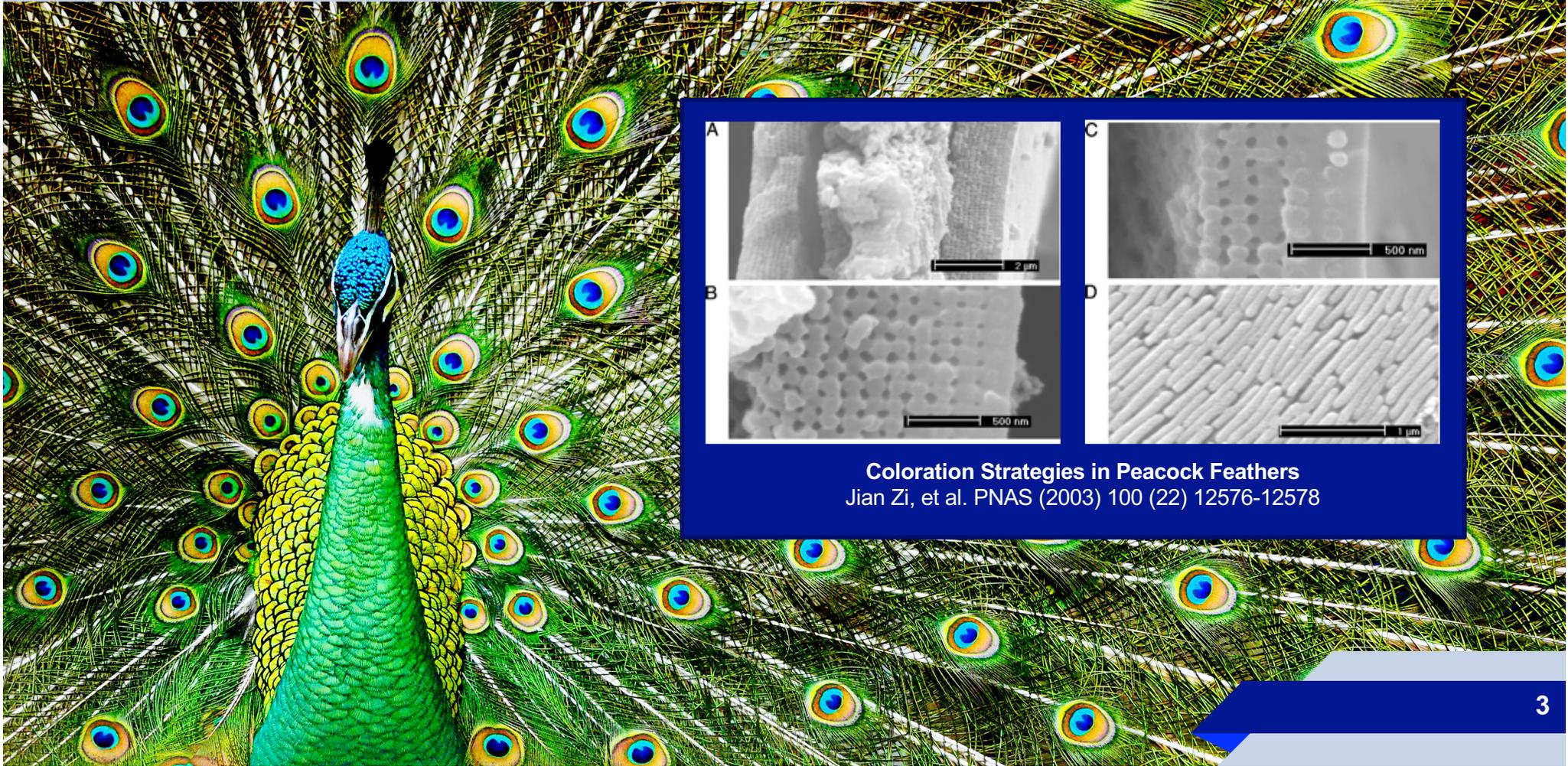
# Designing Nanoparticles for Self-Assembly of Novel (Photonic) Materials

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<sup>1</sup>Macromolecular Science and Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

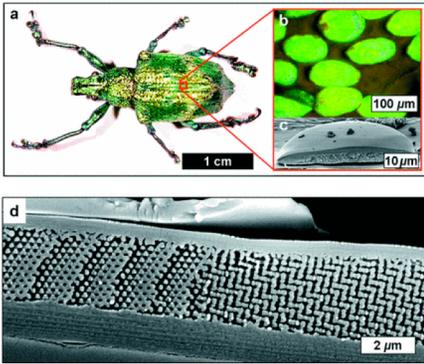
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## Photonic Crystals in Nature



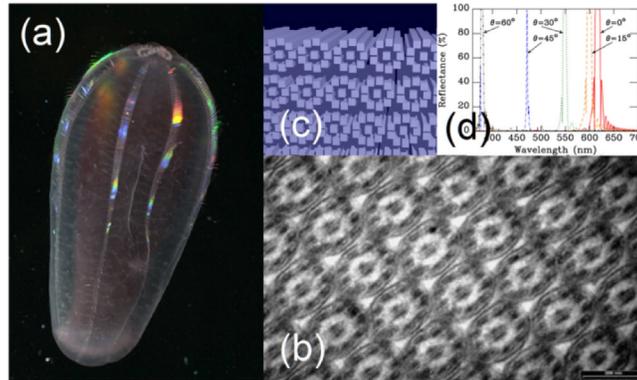
**Coloration Strategies in Peacock Feathers**  
Jian Zi, et al. PNAS (2003) 100 (22) 12576-12578

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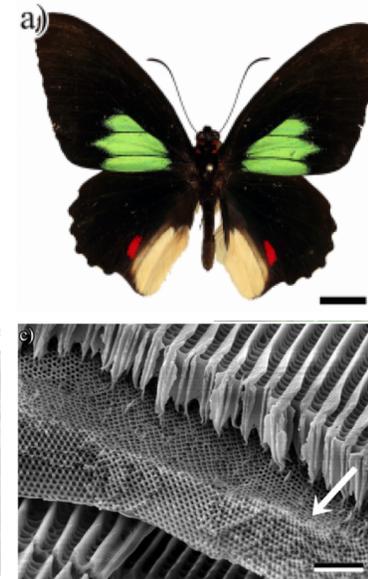
## Discovery of a diamond-based photonic crystal structure in beetle scales

Jeremy W. Galusha, *et al.*  
Phys. Rev. E 77, 050904



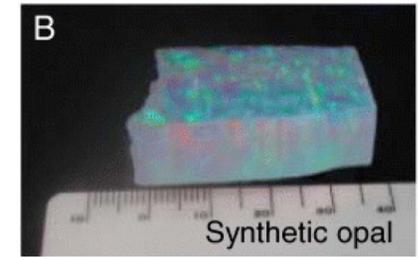
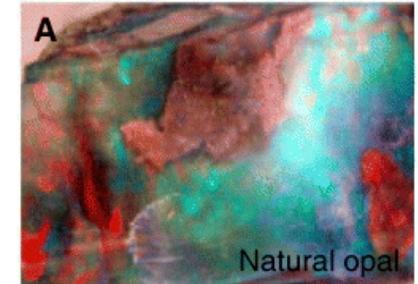
## Optical properties of the iridescent organ of the comb-jellyfish *Beroë cucumis* (Ctenophora)

Victoria Welch, *et al.*  
Phys. Rev. E 73, 041916 2006



## Optical properties of gyroid structured materials: from photonic crystals to metamaterials

James A. Dolan, *et al.*  
Advanced Optical Materials 3 (1), 12-32

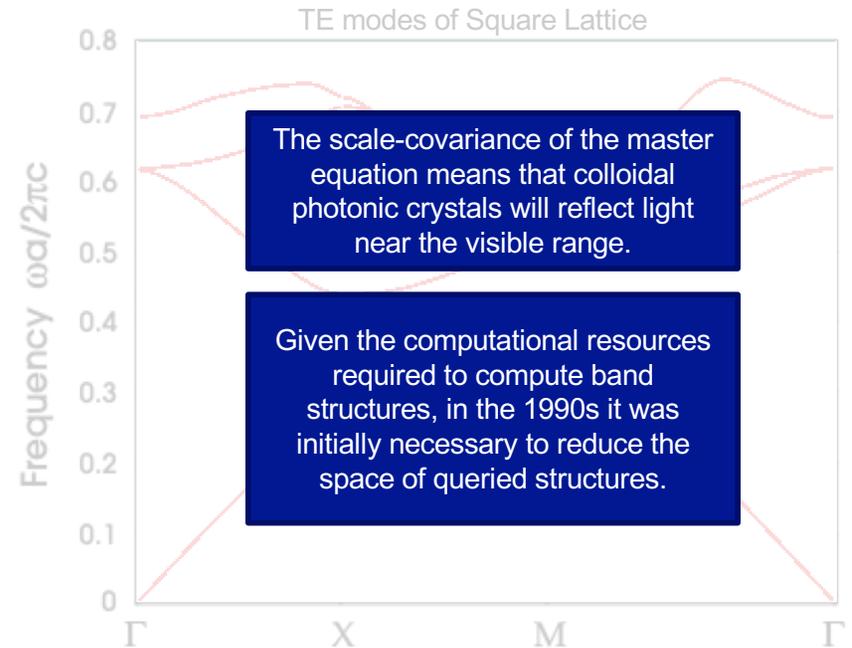


## Tunable structural color in organisms and photonic materials for design of bioinspired materials

Hiroshi Fudouzi  
Sci. Technol. Adv. Mater. (2011)  
12 064704

## The Physics of Photonic Crystals

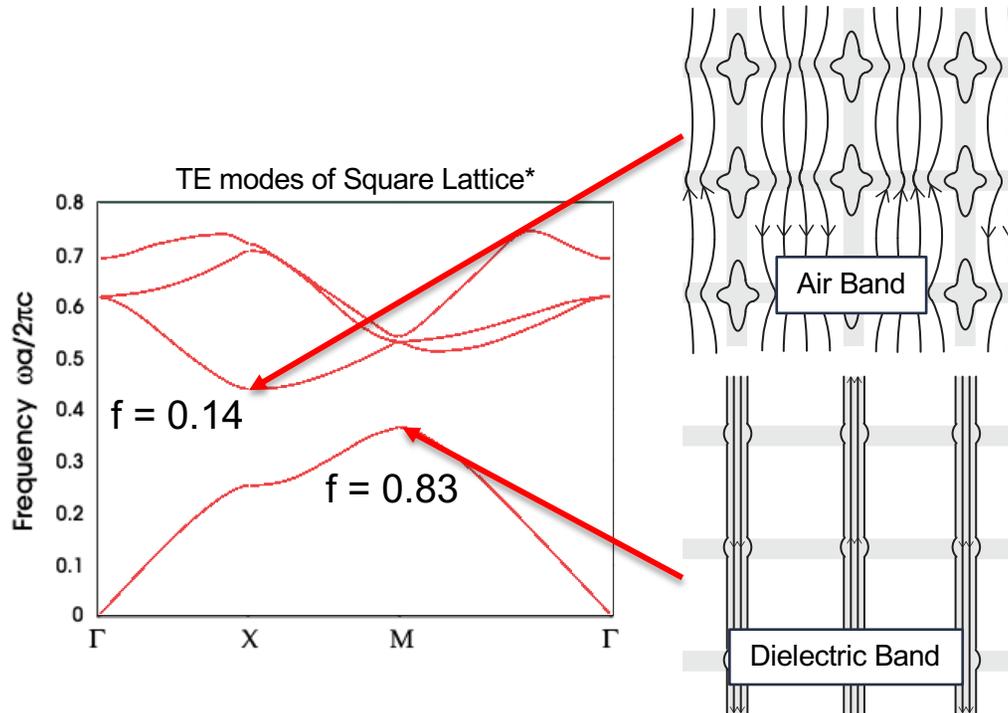
$$\nabla \times \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon(\mathbf{r})} \nabla \times \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r}) \right) = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r})$$



Nature of the photonic band gap: some insights from a field analysis  
R. D. Meade, A. M. Rappe, K. D. Brommer, and J. D. Joannopoulos  
Journal of the Optical Society of America B (1993) 10 (2), pp. 328-332

Derivation of Master Equation:  
Joannopoulos (2008)

## Field Analysis of Photonic Crystals

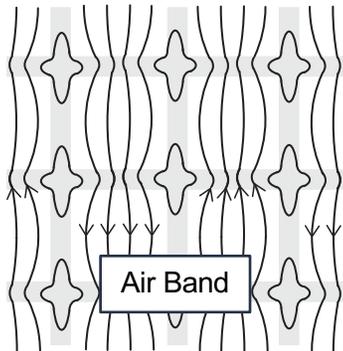


$$f = \frac{\int_{V_\epsilon} \mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}}{\int \mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}}$$

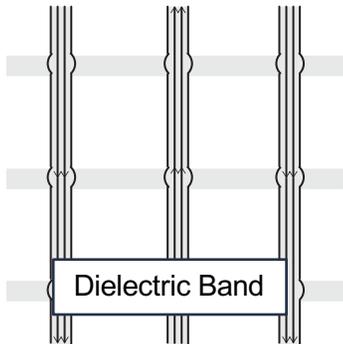
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\*One can conduct similar analysis for the transverse magnetic (TM) polarization.

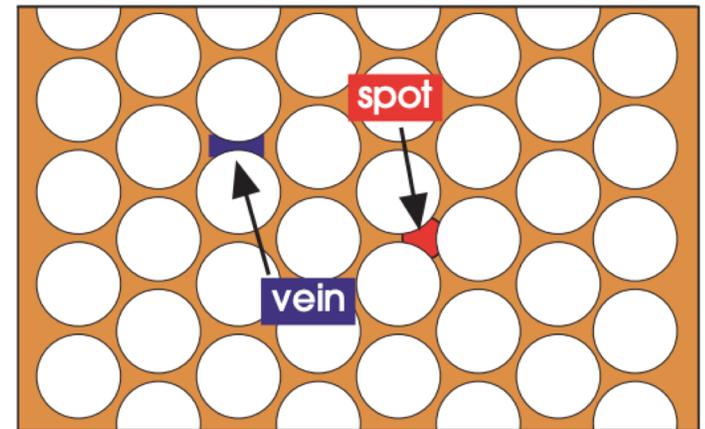
## Field Analysis of Photonic Crystals



Photonic band gaps emerge when there is a clear “dielectric” band and “air” band.



Electric energy can localize more easily in the high dielectric medium when it forms a **connected network** with regions of **relative isolation**.



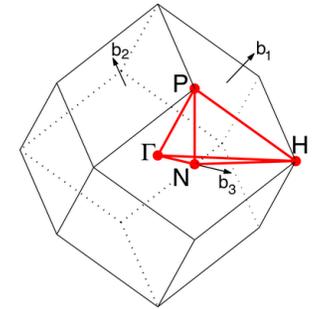
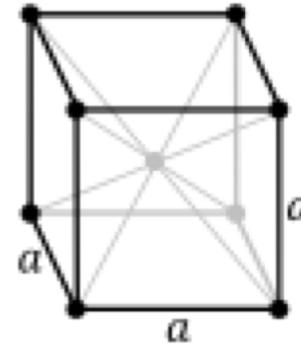
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# Design Rules for Photonic Crystals

The largest PBG will occur in lattices with the most spherical Brillouin zones.

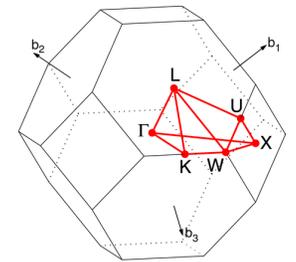
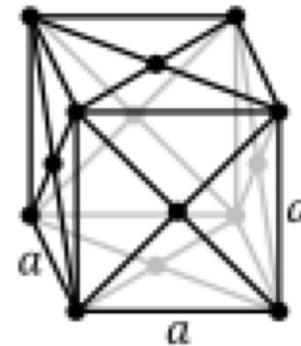
Body-Centered Cubic



BCC path:  $\Gamma$ -H-N- $\Gamma$ -P-H|P-N

[Setyawan & Curtarolo, DOI: 10.1016/j.commatsci.2010.05.010]

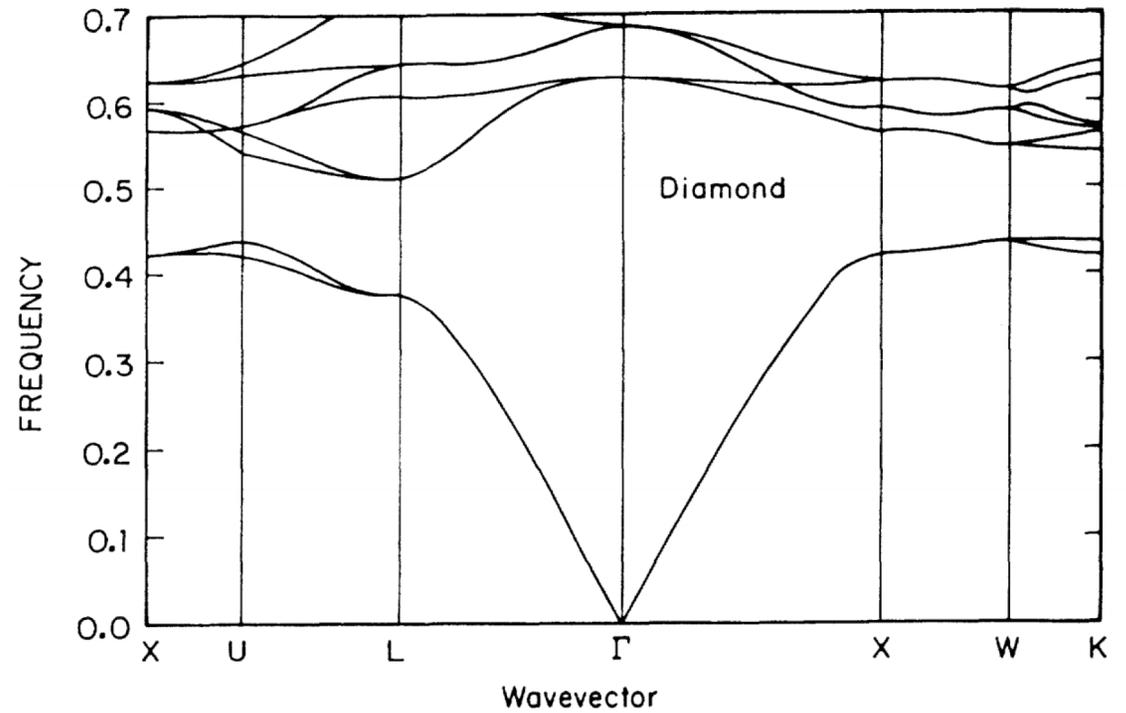
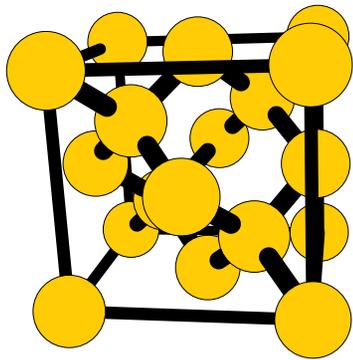
Face-Centered Cubic



FCC path:  $\Gamma$ -X-W-K- $\Gamma$ -L-U-W-L-K|U-X

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## Synthesizing Photonic Crystals

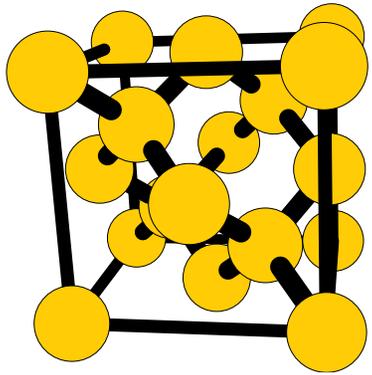


### Existence of a Photonic Gap in Periodic Dielectric Structures

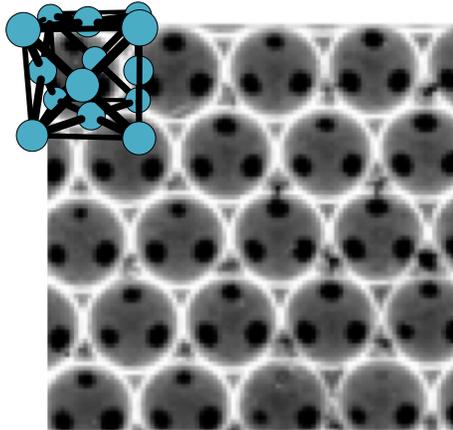
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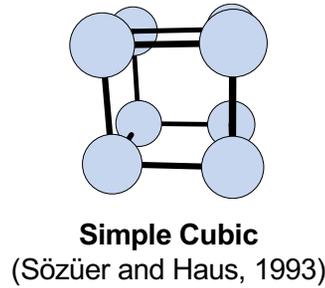
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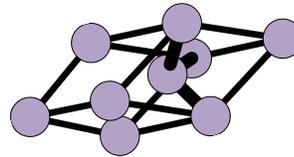
**Diamond**  
(Ho, Chan, and Soukalis, 1990)



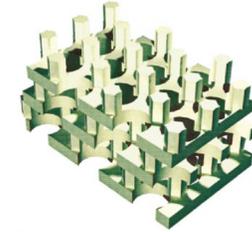
**Inverse Opal/FCC**  
(Sözüer, et al., 1993)



**Simple Cubic**  
(Sözüer and Haus, 1993)



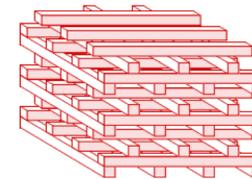
**A7**  
(Chan, et al., 1994)



**Layer-by-Layer**  
(incl. Johnson and Joannopoulos, 2000)

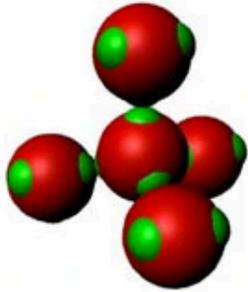


**Yablonovite**  
(Yablonovitch, et al., 1991)

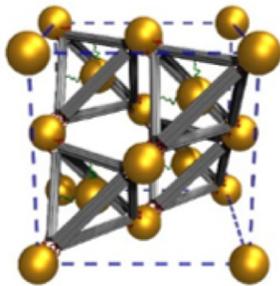


**Woodpile**  
(Ho, et al., 1994)

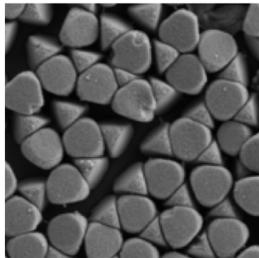
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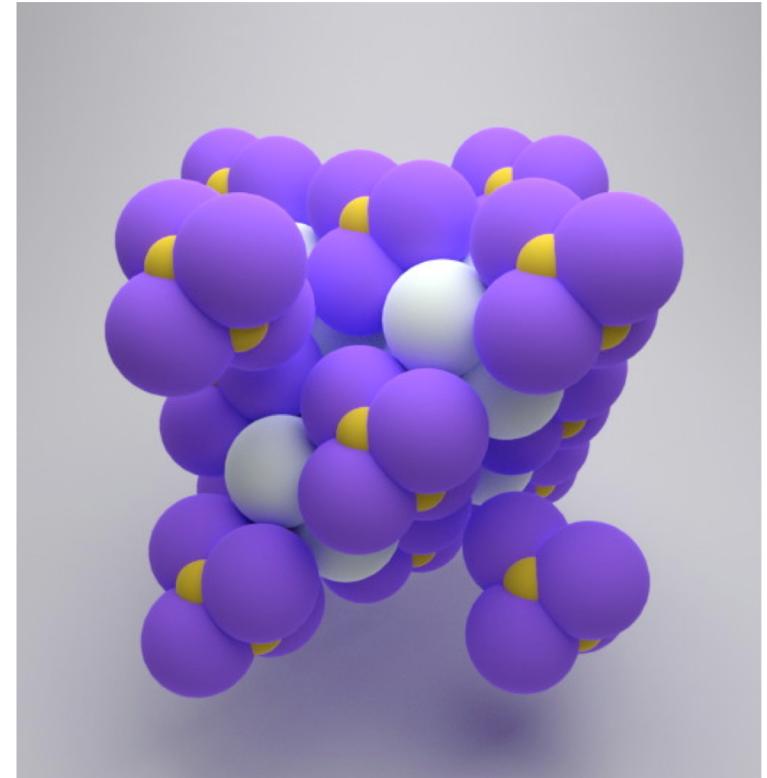
**Colloidal crystals with diamond symmetry at optical lengthscales**  
Yifan Wang, et al.  
*Nature Comm.* 8, 14173 (2017)



**Diamond family of nanoparticle superlattices**  
W. Liu, et. al,  
*Science* 351, 582-586 (2016).

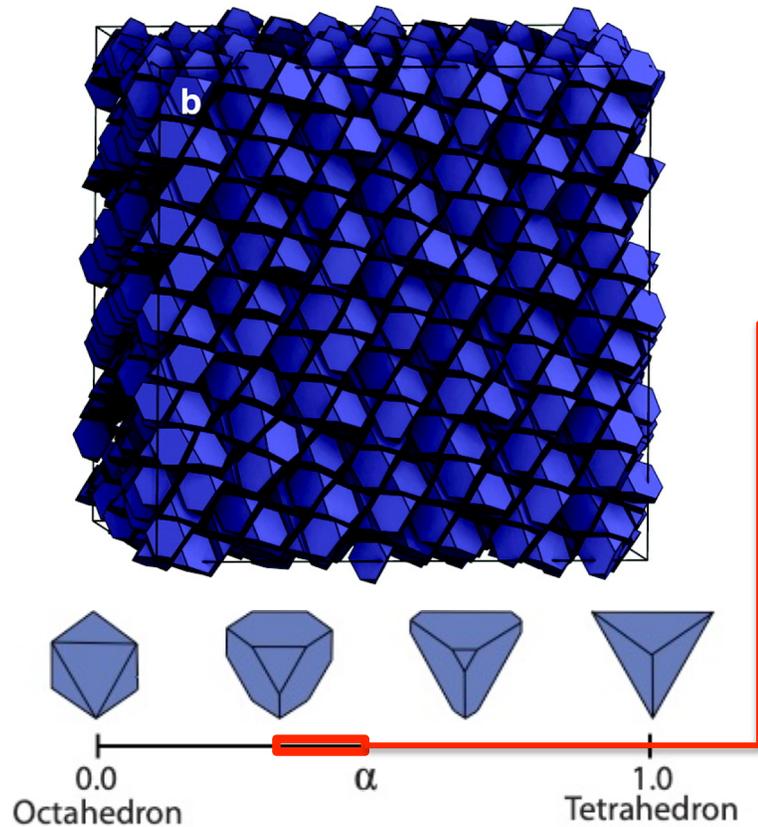


**Entropy driven assembly of truncated colloidal tetrahedra into diamond structure**  
Zhe Gong, et al.

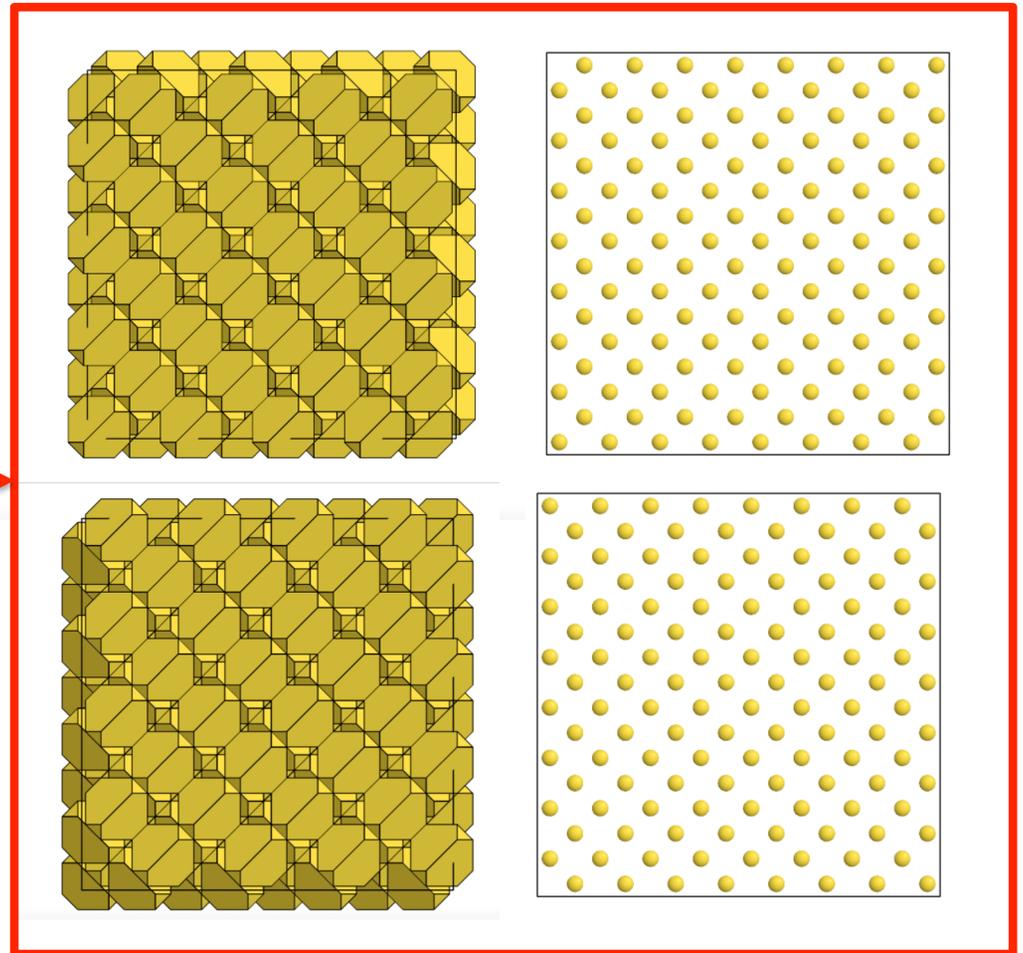


**Colloidal diamond**  
He, M., et al.  
*Nature* 585, 524–529 (2020).

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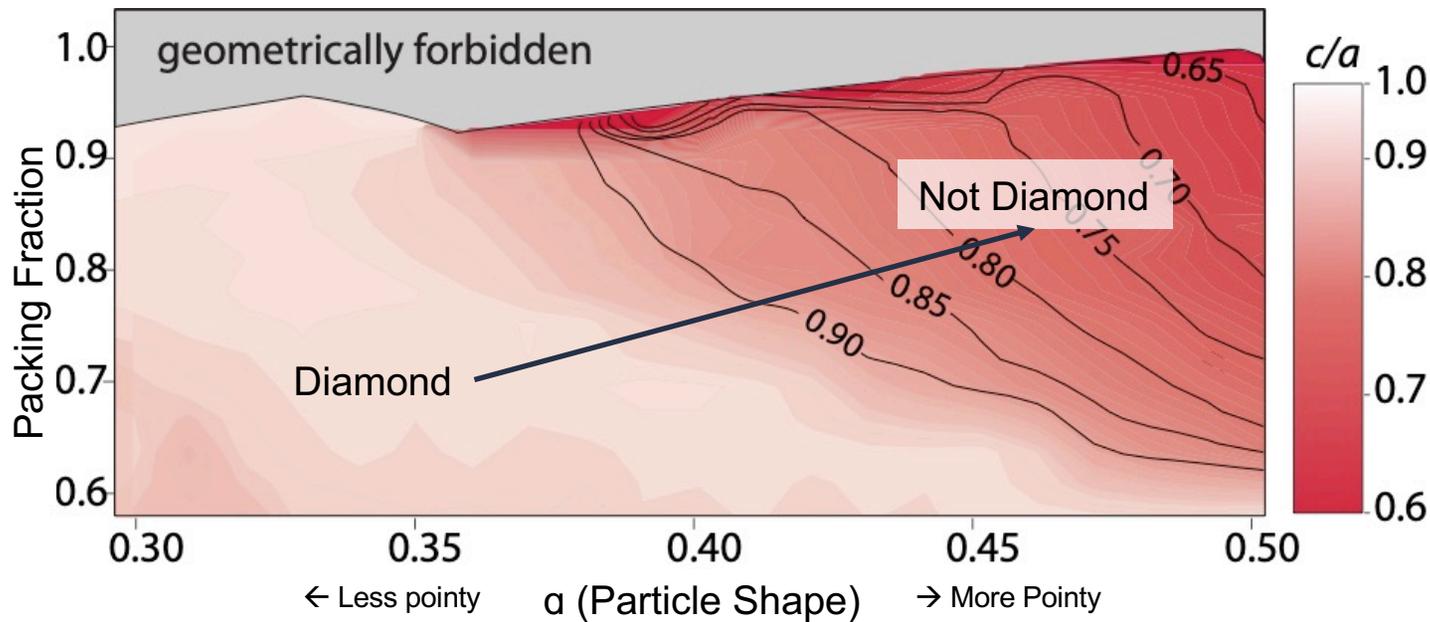


**Crystalline Assemblies and Densest Packings of a Family of Truncated Tetrahedra & the Role of Directional Entropic Forces**  
Pablo F. Damasceno, et al. *ACS Nano*, 2012, 6 (1), pp 609–614



**Pressure-tunable photonic band gaps in an entropic colloidal crystal**  
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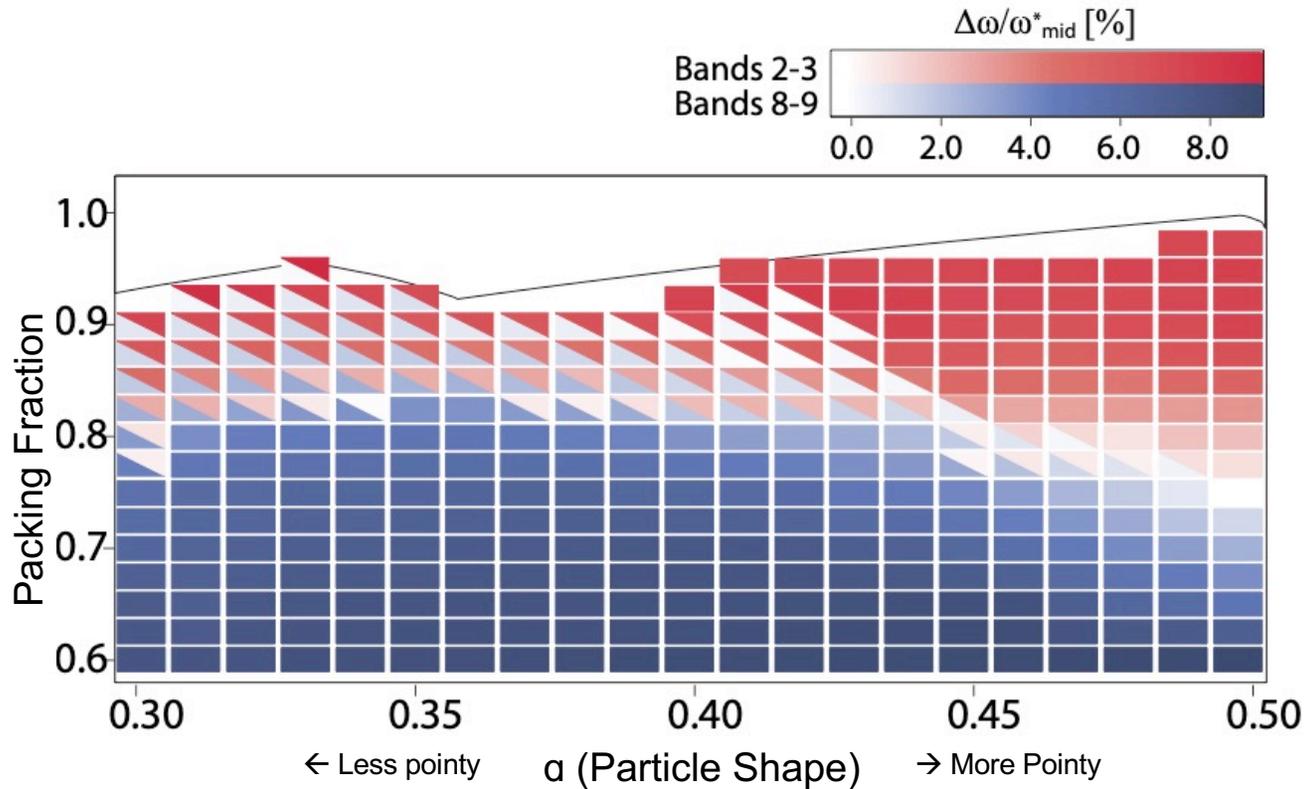
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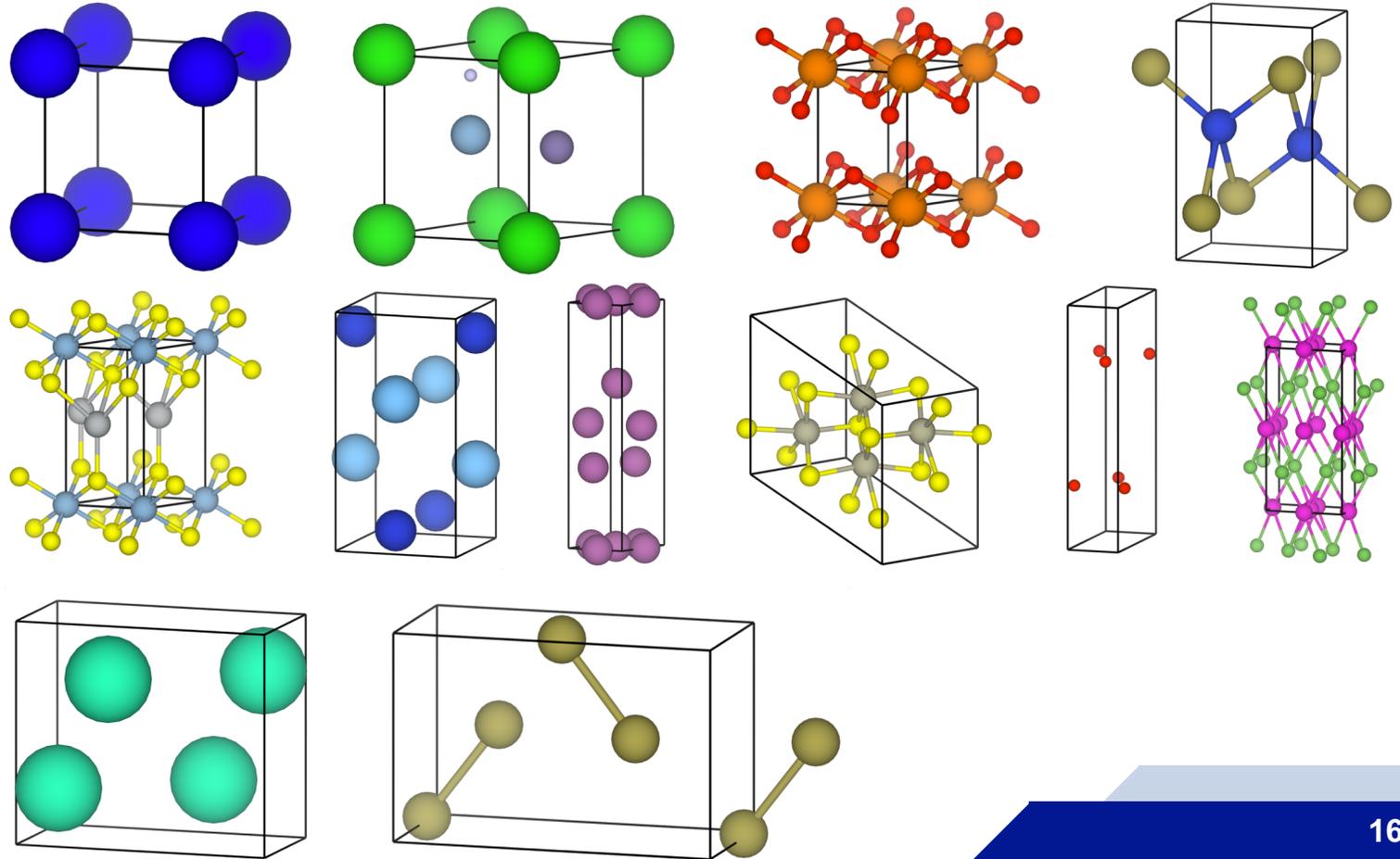
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This symmetry reduction does not close the photonic band gaps, and with these particles a multi-state material is possible.

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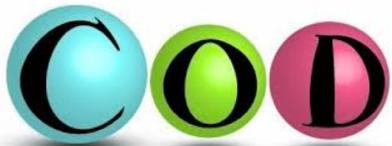
What are the span of crystal structures capable of supporting a photonic band gap?

# Calculating Photonic Band Structures



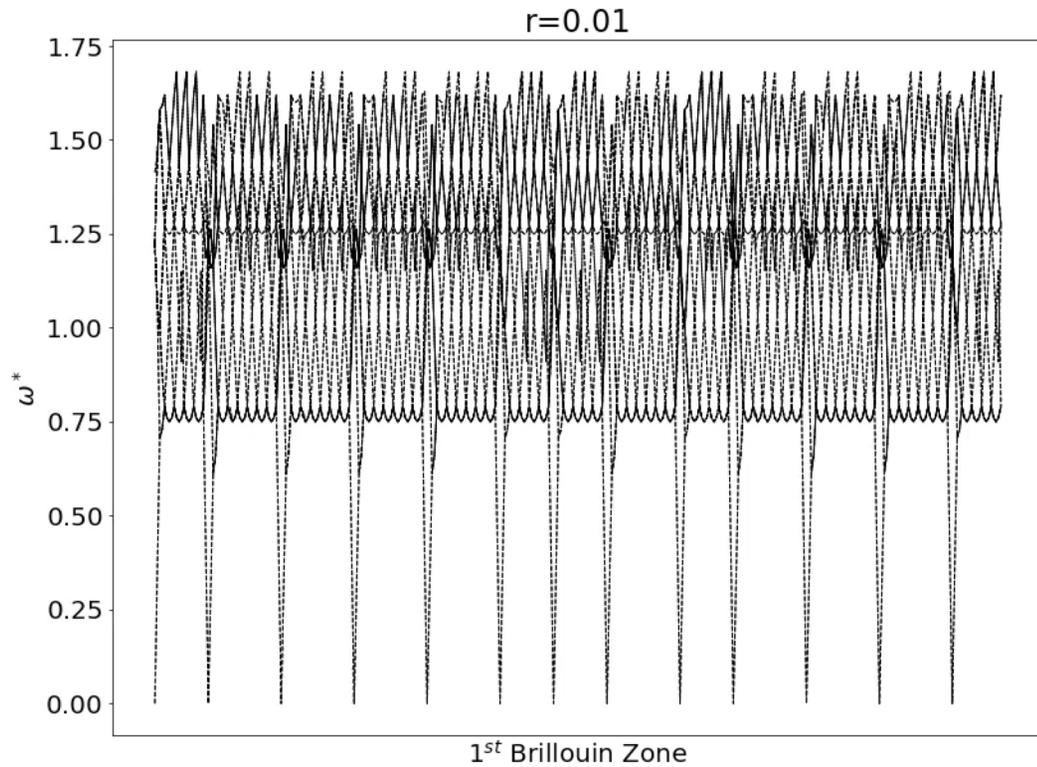
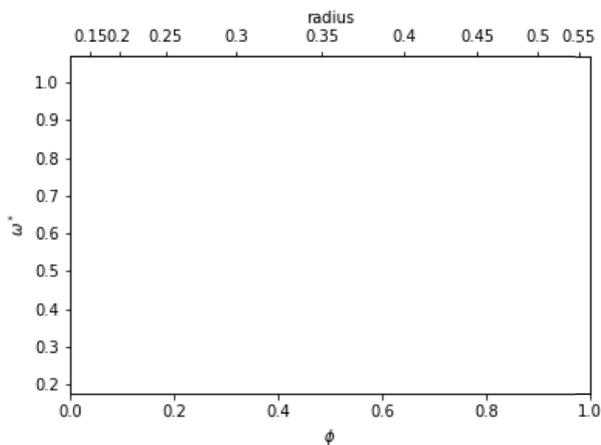
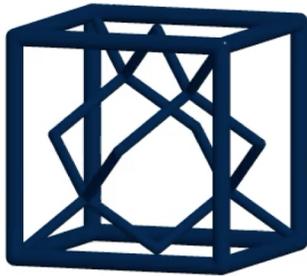
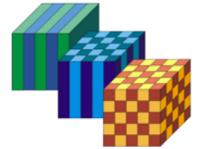
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FIZ Karlsruhe



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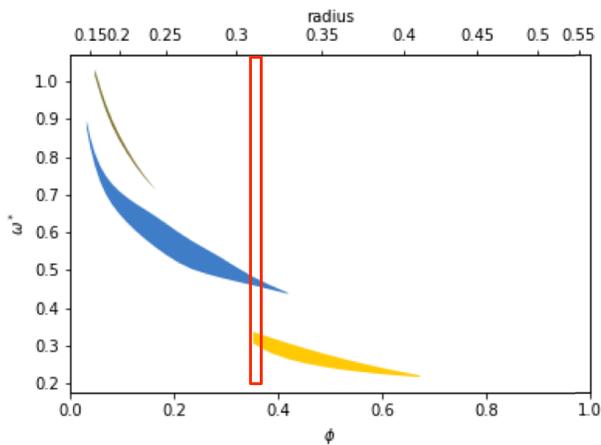
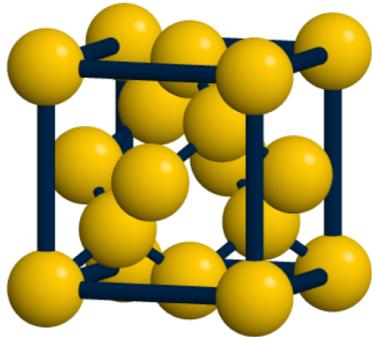
MIT Photonic-Bands



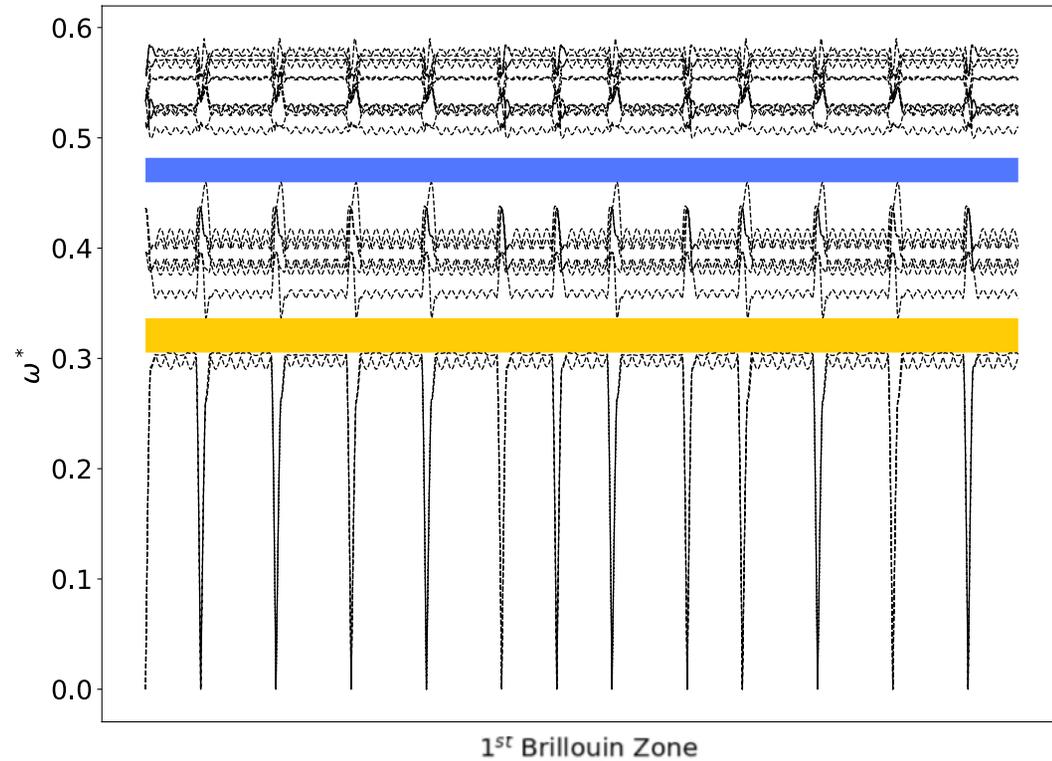
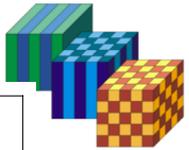
The diversity of three-dimensional photonic crystals

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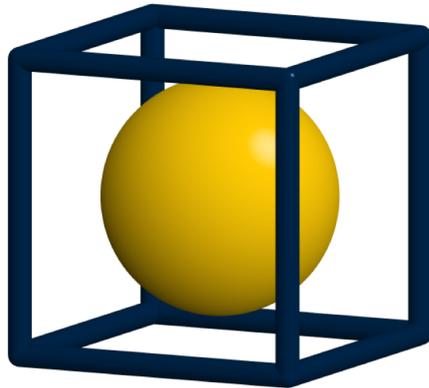


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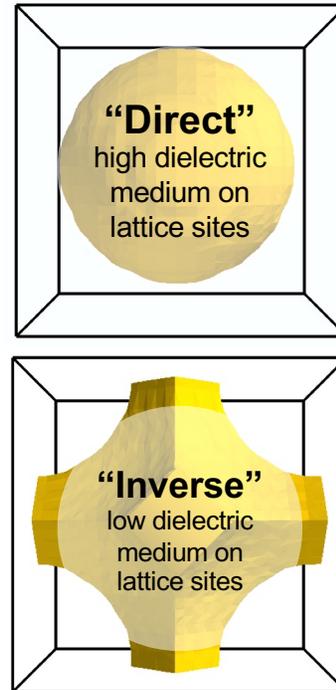
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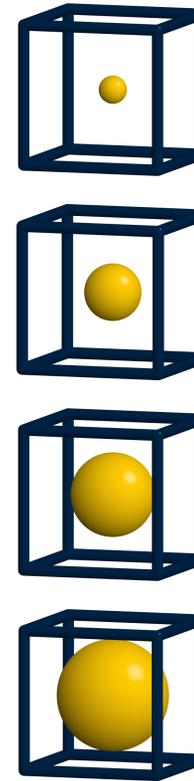
1355 Structure  
Templates



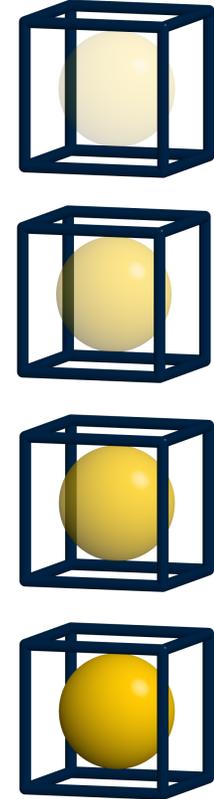
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x 20-100  
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x 1-8 dielectric  
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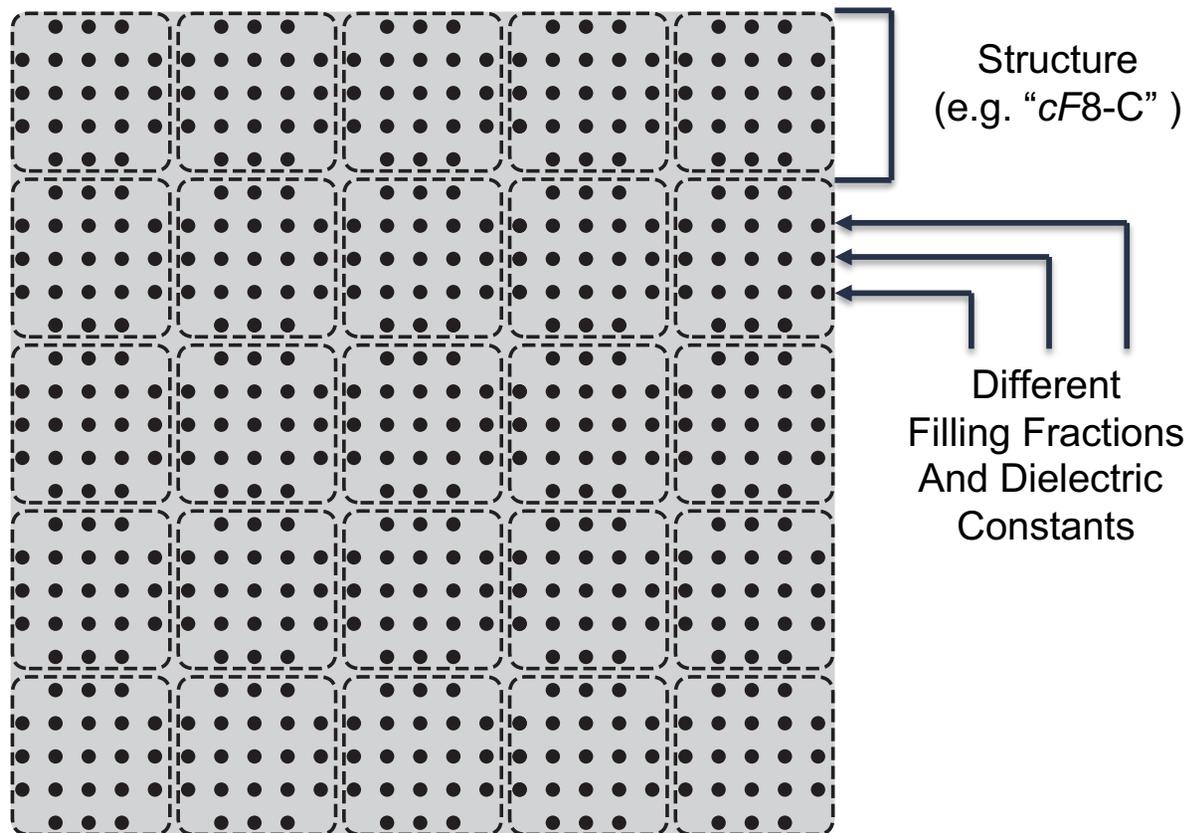
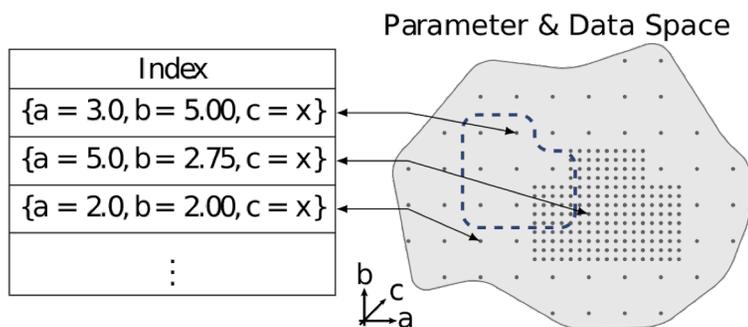
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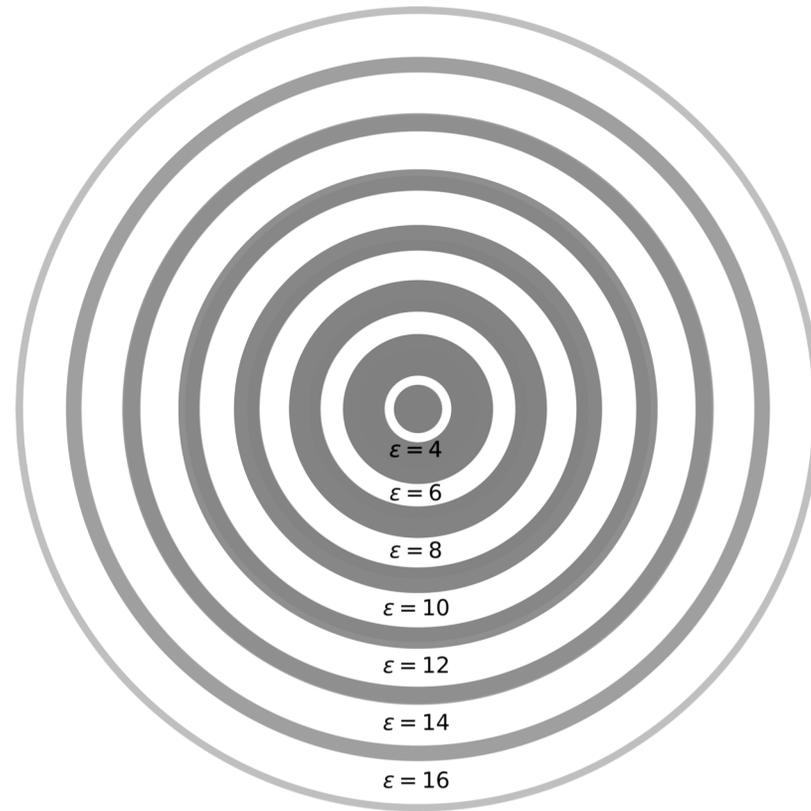
## Photonics Dataspace



Simple data and workflow management with the signac framework

C. S. Adorf, P. M. Dodd, V. Ramasubramani, and S. C. Glotzer, (2018) *Comput. Mater. Sci.*, 146(C):220-229, doi:10.1016/j.commatsci.2018.01.035.

## Results



### Existence of a photonic gap in periodic dielectric structures.

Ho, K. M., Chan, C. T. & Soukoulis, C. M. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **65**, 3152–3155 (1990).

### Robust topology optimization of three-dimensional photonic-crystal band-gap structures.

Men, H., Lee, K. Y. K., Freund, R. M., Péraire, J. & Johnson, S. G. *Opt. Express* **22**, 22632 (2014).

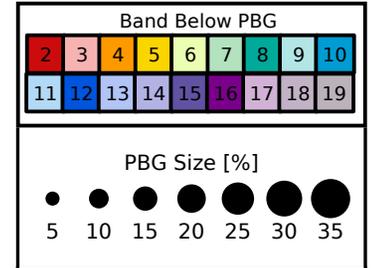
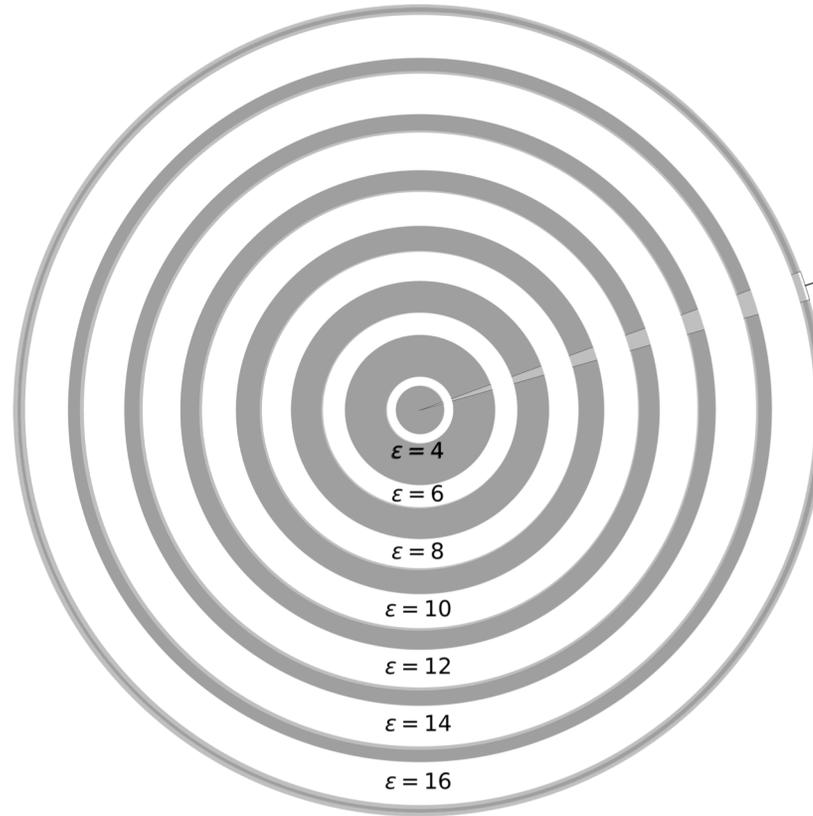
### Refractive index of silicon and germanium and its wavelength and temperature derivatives.

Li, H. H. *J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data* **9**, 561–658 (1980).

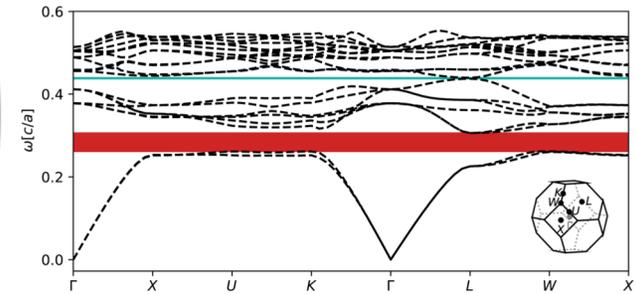
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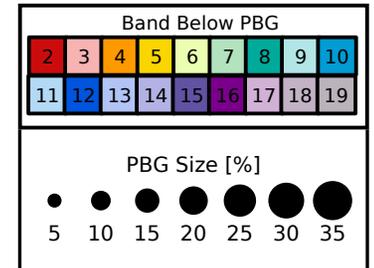
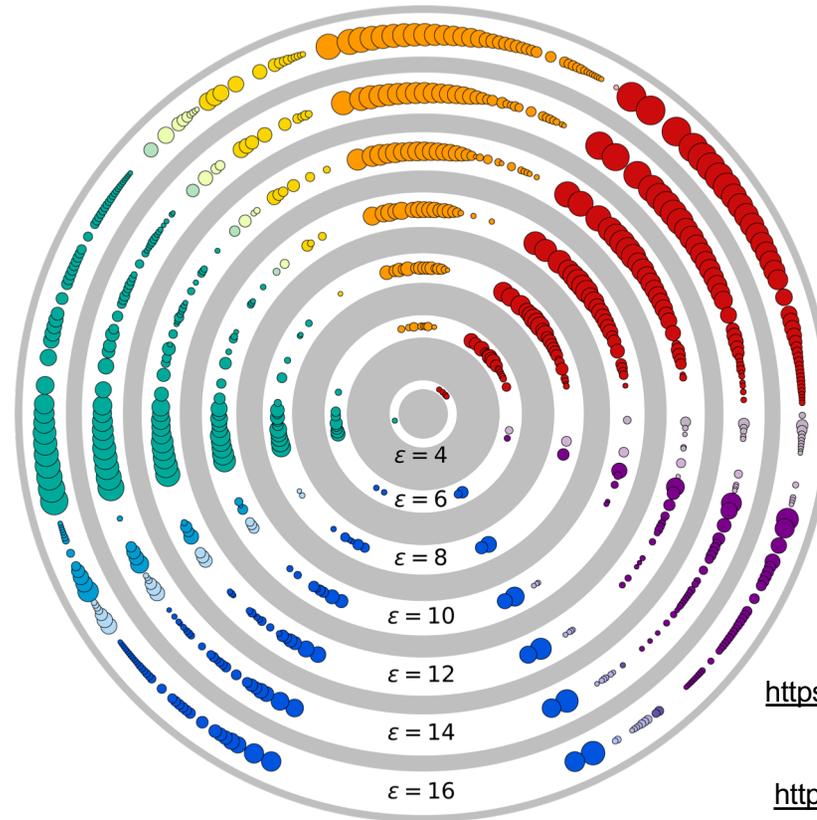
Diamond (cF8)



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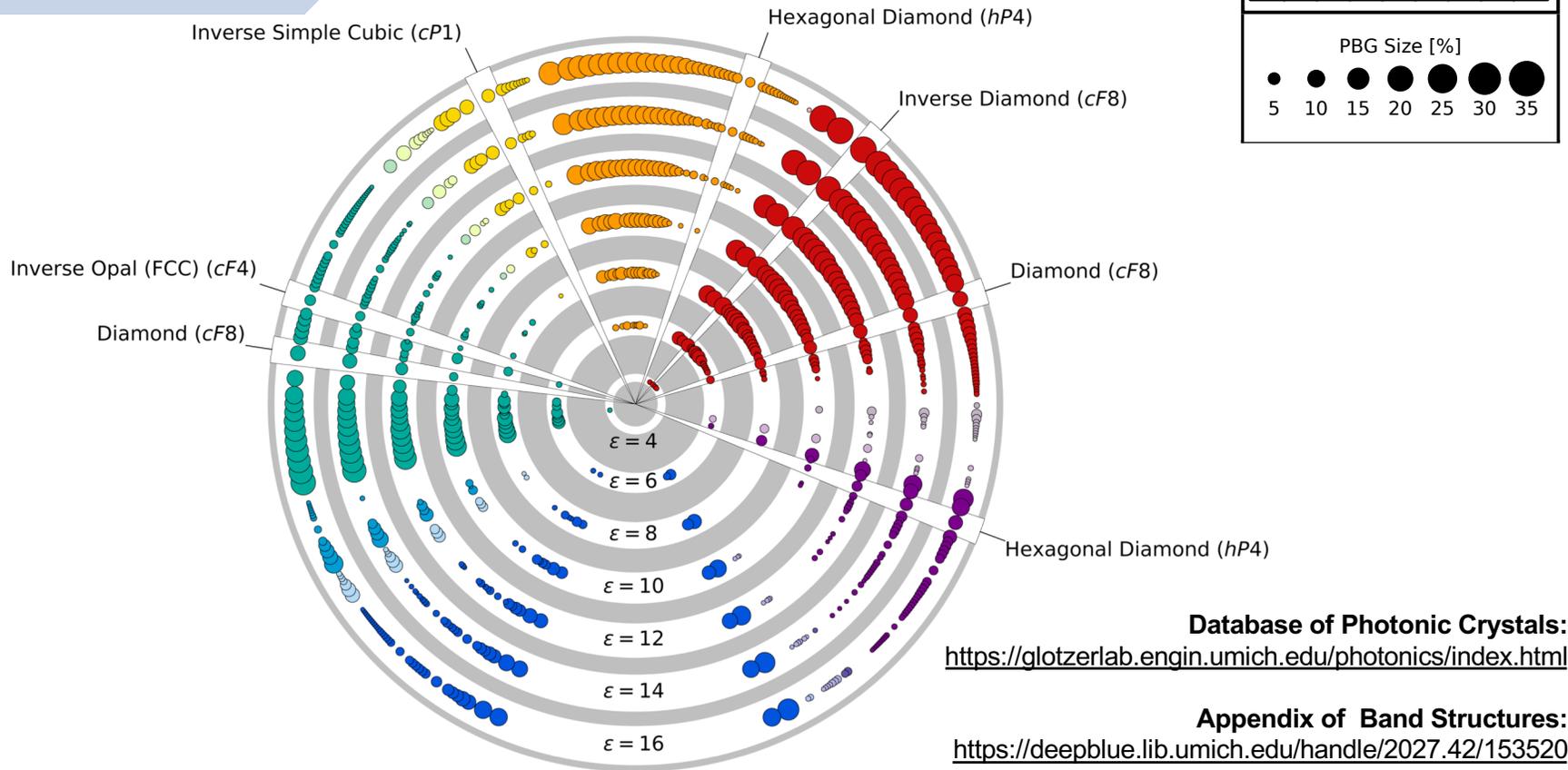
**Database of Photonic Crystals:**  
<https://glotzerlab.engin.umich.edu/phononics/index.html>

**Appendix of Band Structures:**  
<https://deepblue.lib.umich.edu/handle/2027.42/153520>

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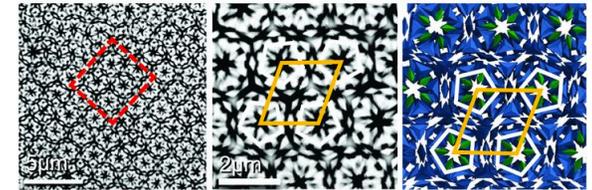
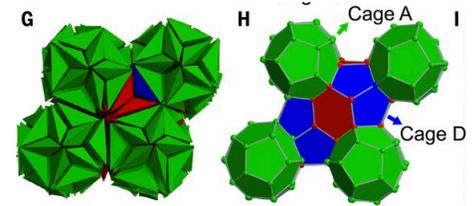
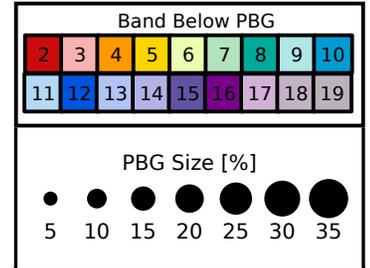
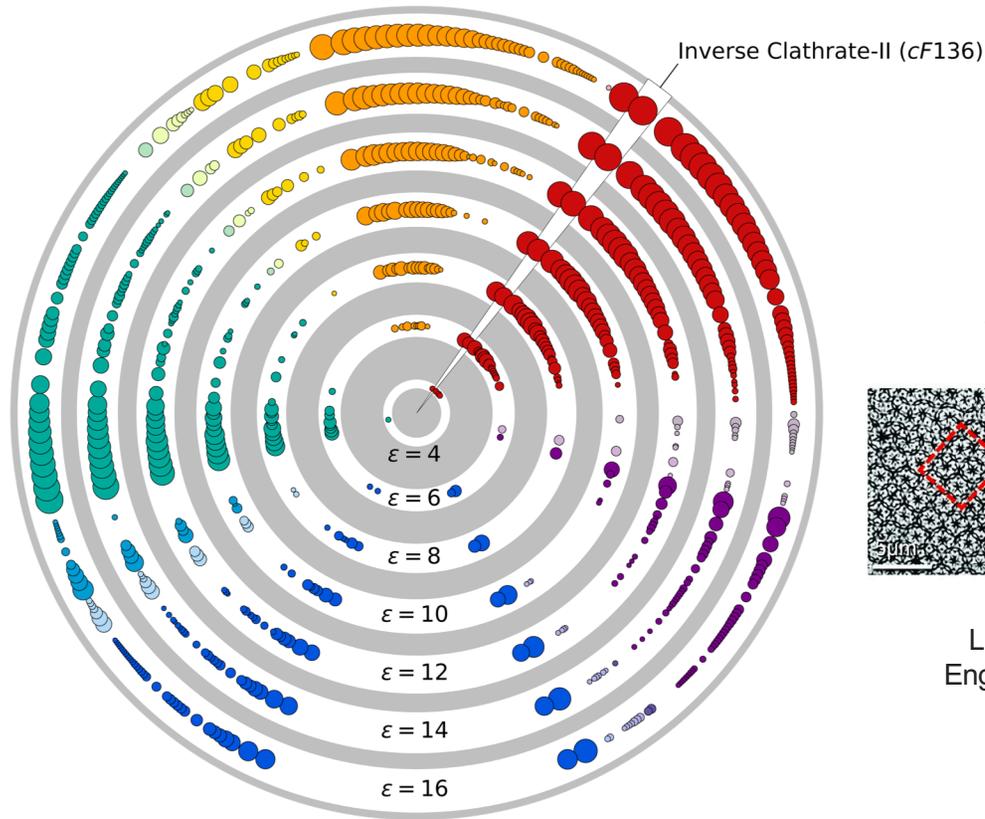
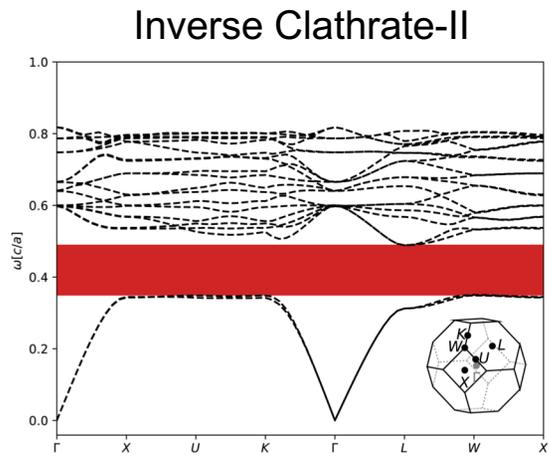
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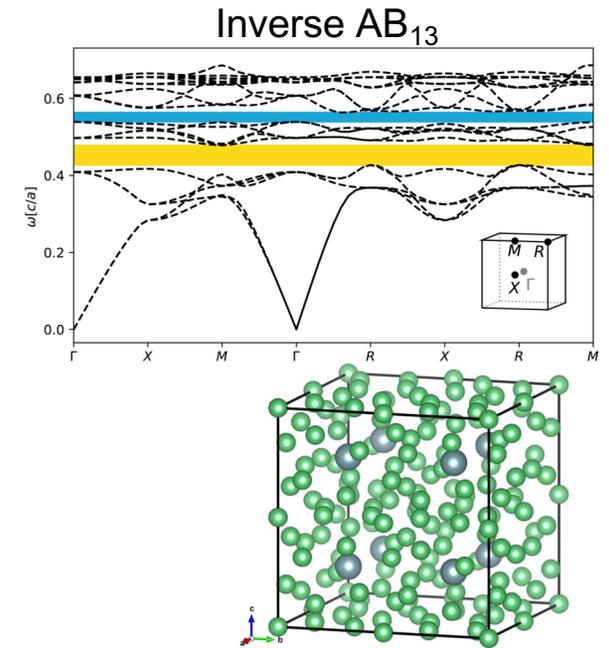
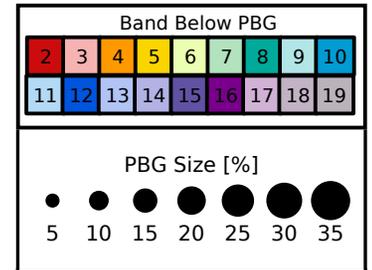
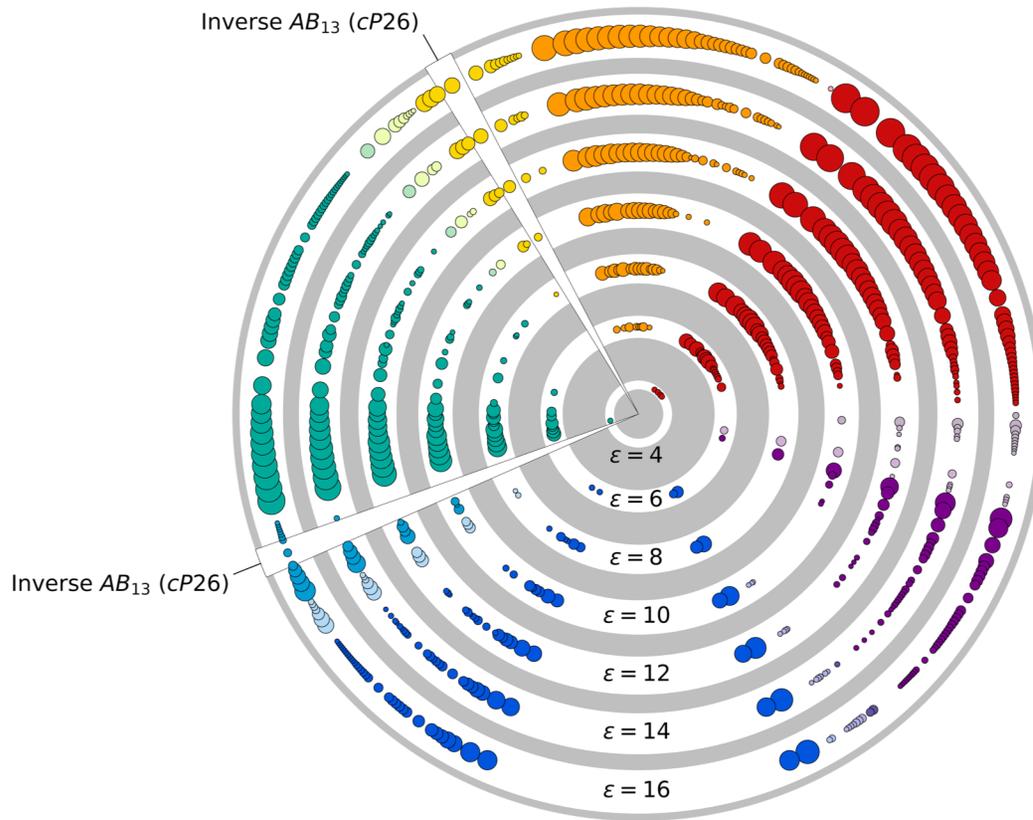
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**Clathrate colloidal crystals.**  
 Lin, H., Lee, S., Sun, L., Spellings, M., Engel, M., Glotzer, S. C., & Mirkin, C. A. *Science*, 355(6328), 931-935.

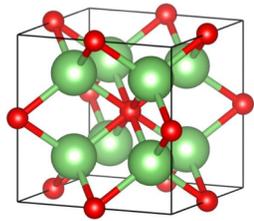
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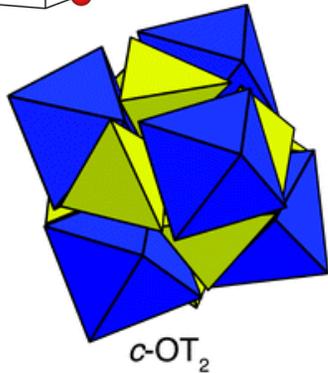


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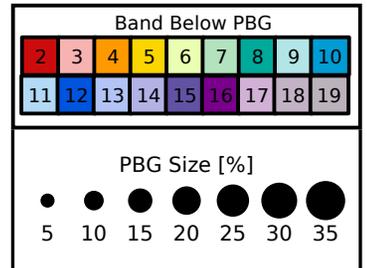
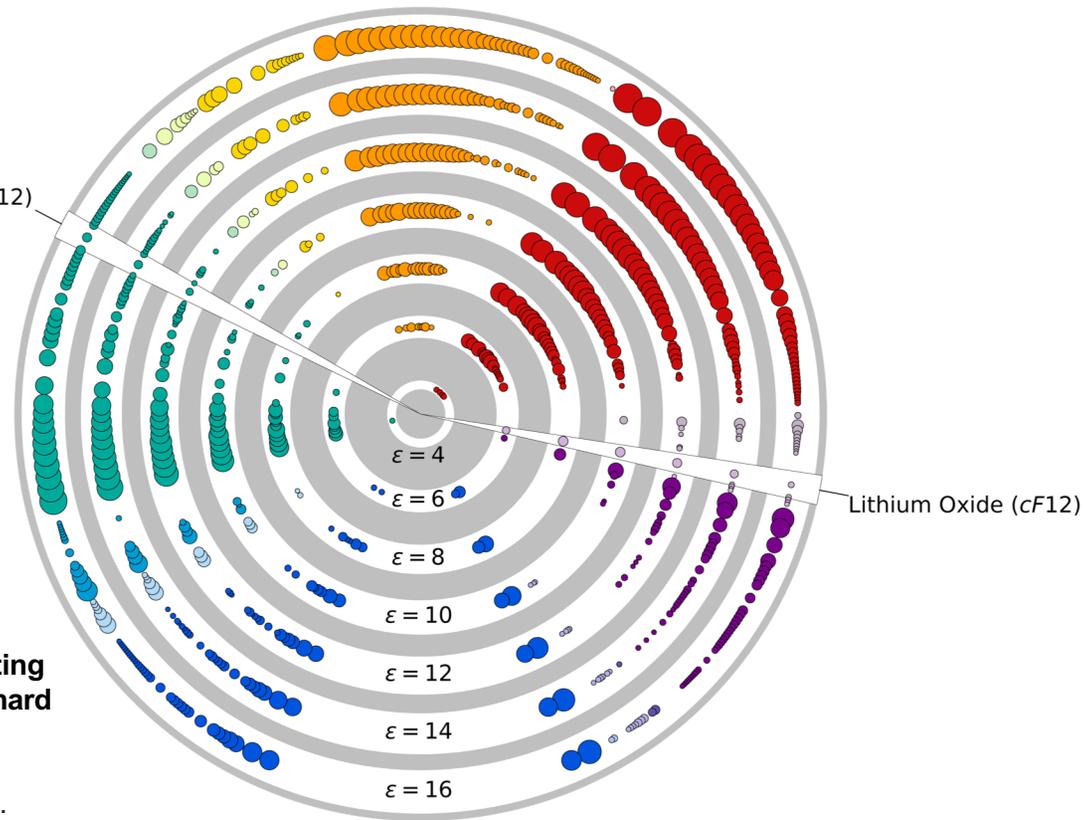


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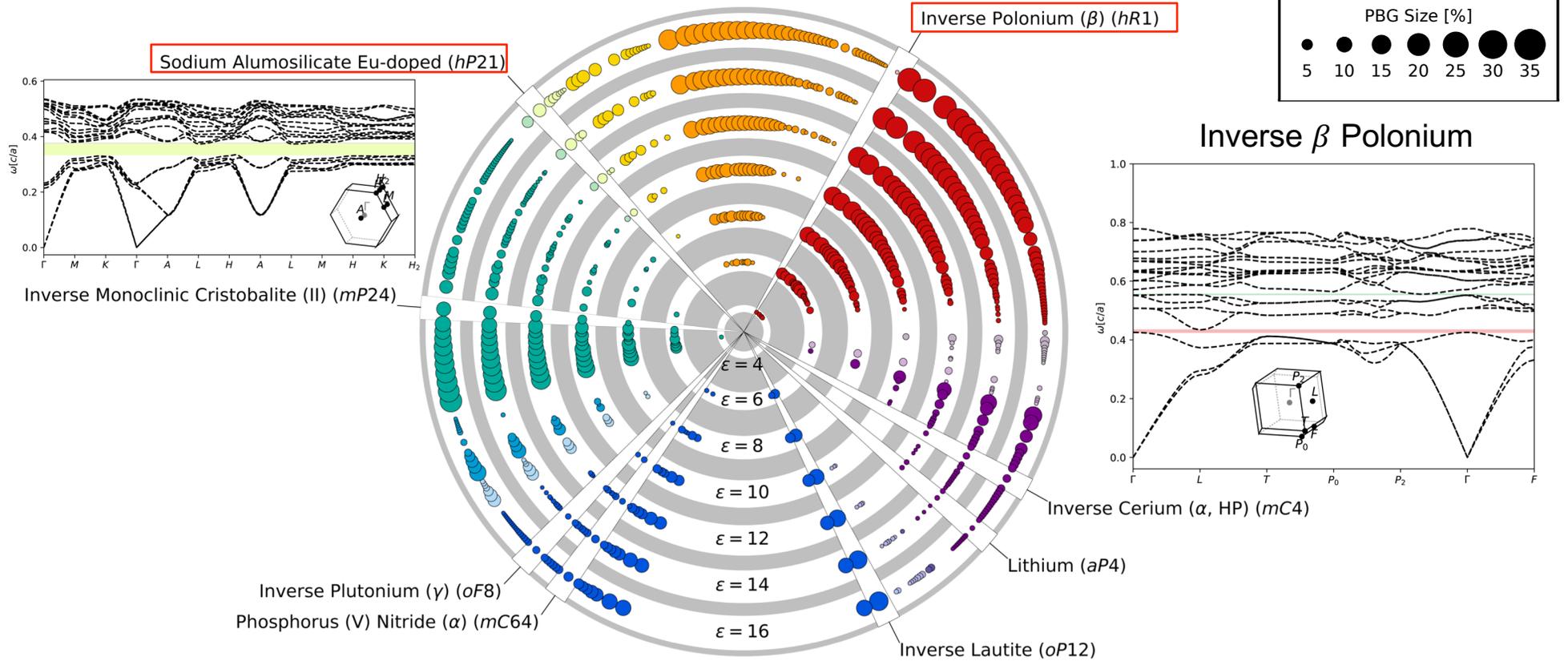
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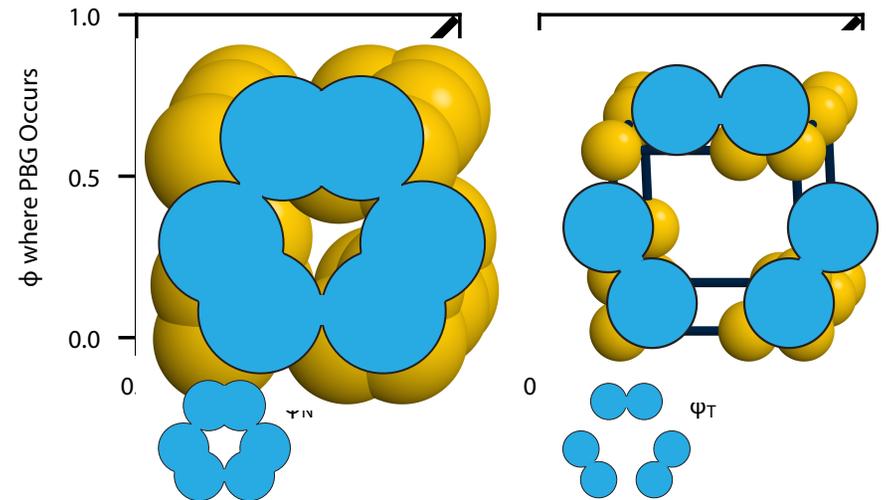
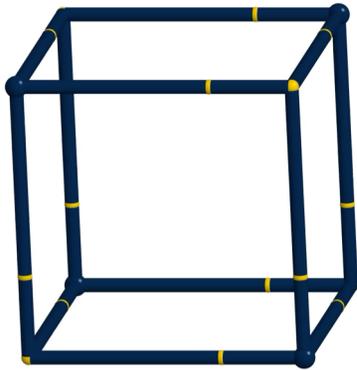


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Are previous design rules  
predictive of this set of photonic  
crystals?

## Results

Photonic band gaps can occur when the high dielectric regions are either connected or disconnected and a full network is not required.



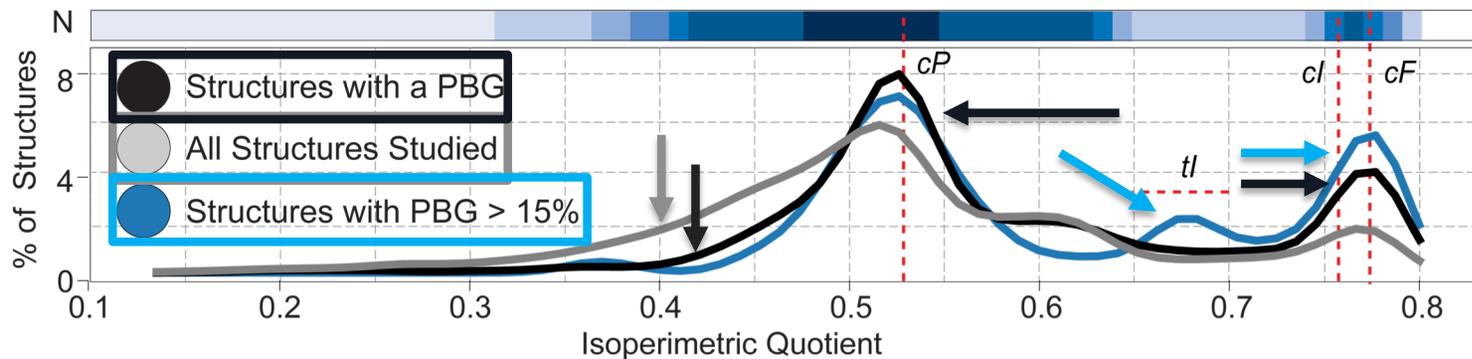
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## Results

PBG are more likely to be found in *high symmetry* lattices, but can be found in highly asymmetric lattices.

### Sphericity of the Brillouin Zone



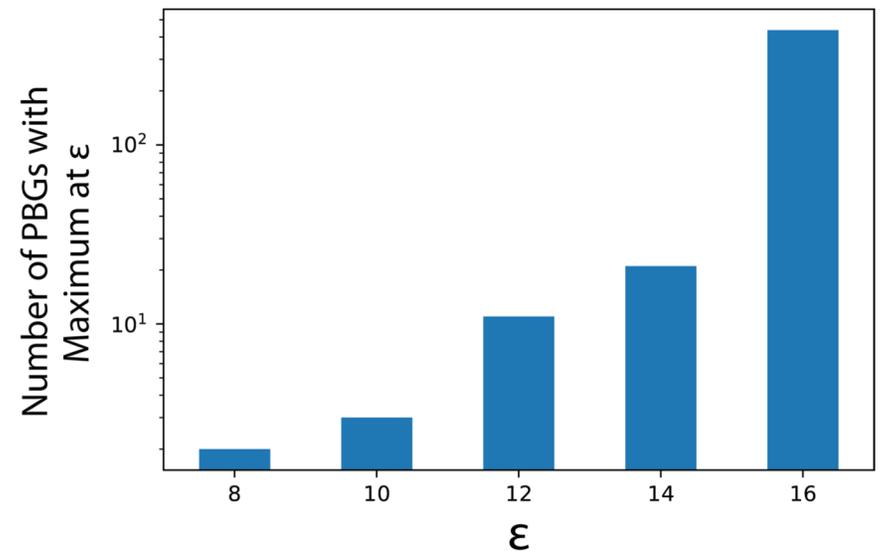
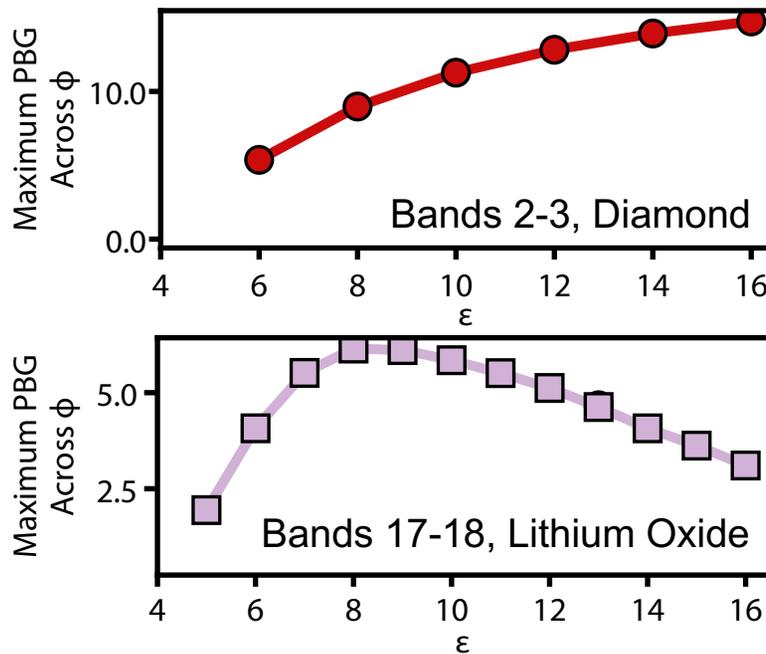
	<i>aP</i>	<i>mP</i>	<i>mC</i>	<i>oP</i>	<i>oC</i>	<i>oF</i>	<i>oI</i>	<i>oA</i>	<i>tP</i>	<i>tI</i>	<i>hP</i>	<i>hR</i>	<i>cP</i>	<i>cF</i>	<i>cI</i>
# Structures	60	156	192	356	164	86	104	36	390	246	404	130	184	114	90
# with PBG	2	11	9	24	10	7	5	4	39	41	58	33	58	47	19
% with PBG	3%	7%	5%	7%	6%	8%	5%	11%	10%	17%	14%	25%	32%	41%	21%

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## Results

By increasing the dielectric contrast, the Higher dielectric constant generally leads to a larger gap, but not always.

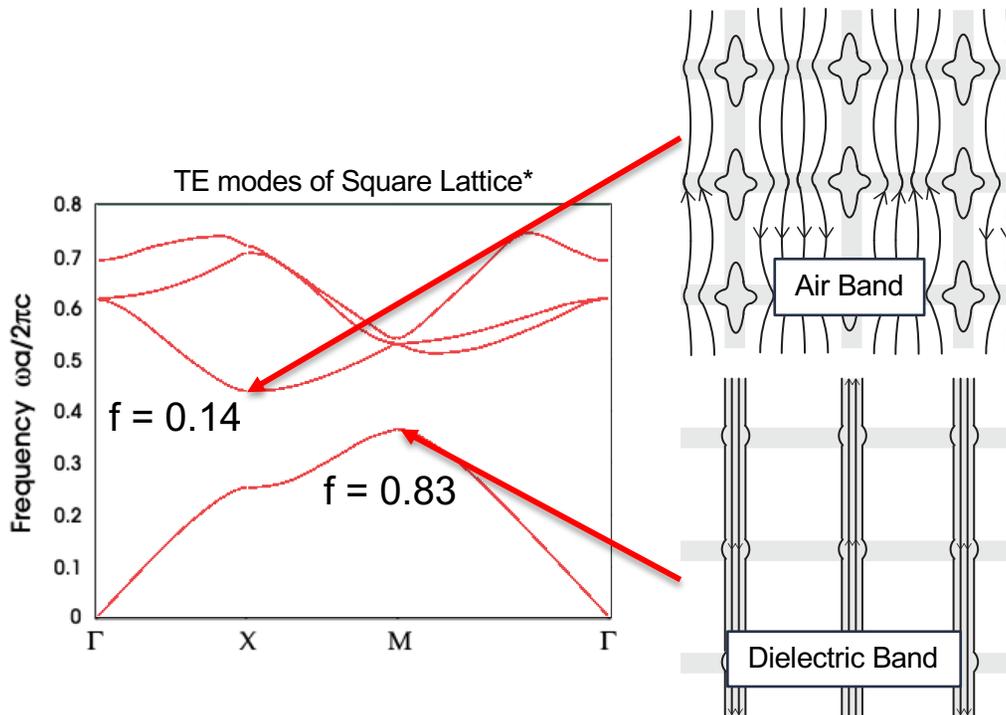


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**Why?**

Because 2D is not the same as 3D.

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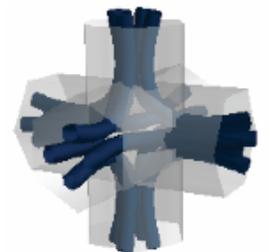
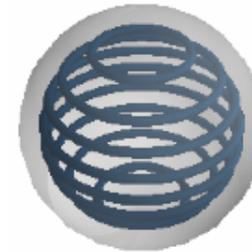
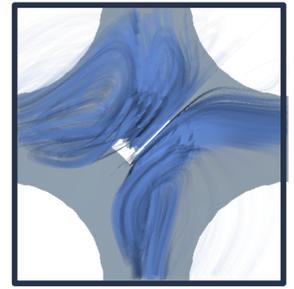
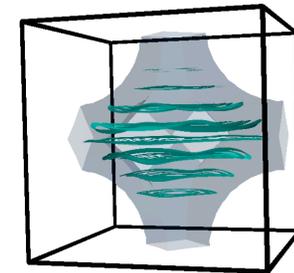
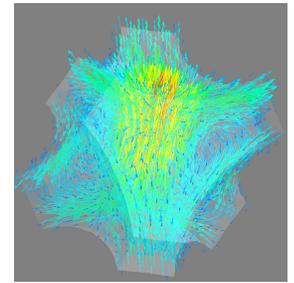
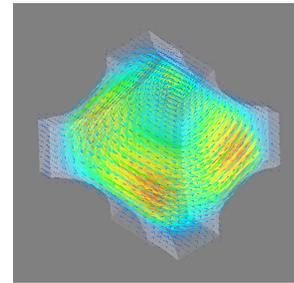
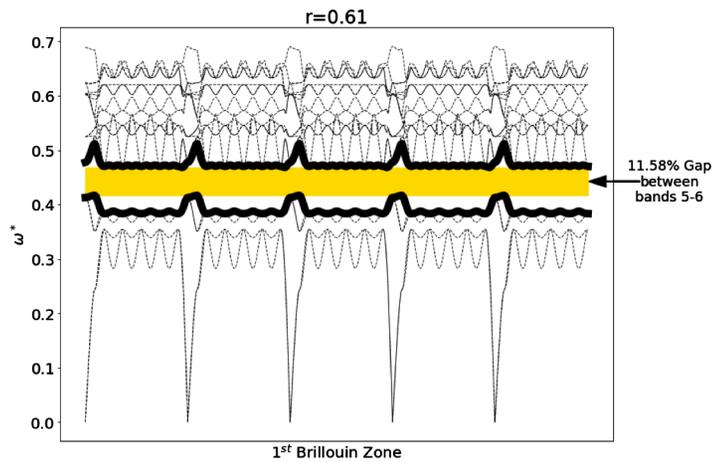
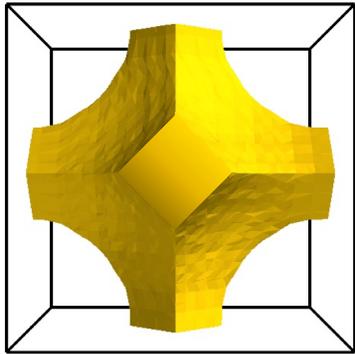
$$f = \frac{\int_{V_\epsilon} \mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}}{\int \mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}}$$

$f$	“concentration factor”, fraction of electric energy found in the high dielectric material
$V_\epsilon$	region with the higher dielectric constant
$\mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{r})$	conjugate of the time-independent electric field
$\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r})$	time-independent displacement field

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\*One can conduct similar analysis for the transverse magnetic (TM) polarization.

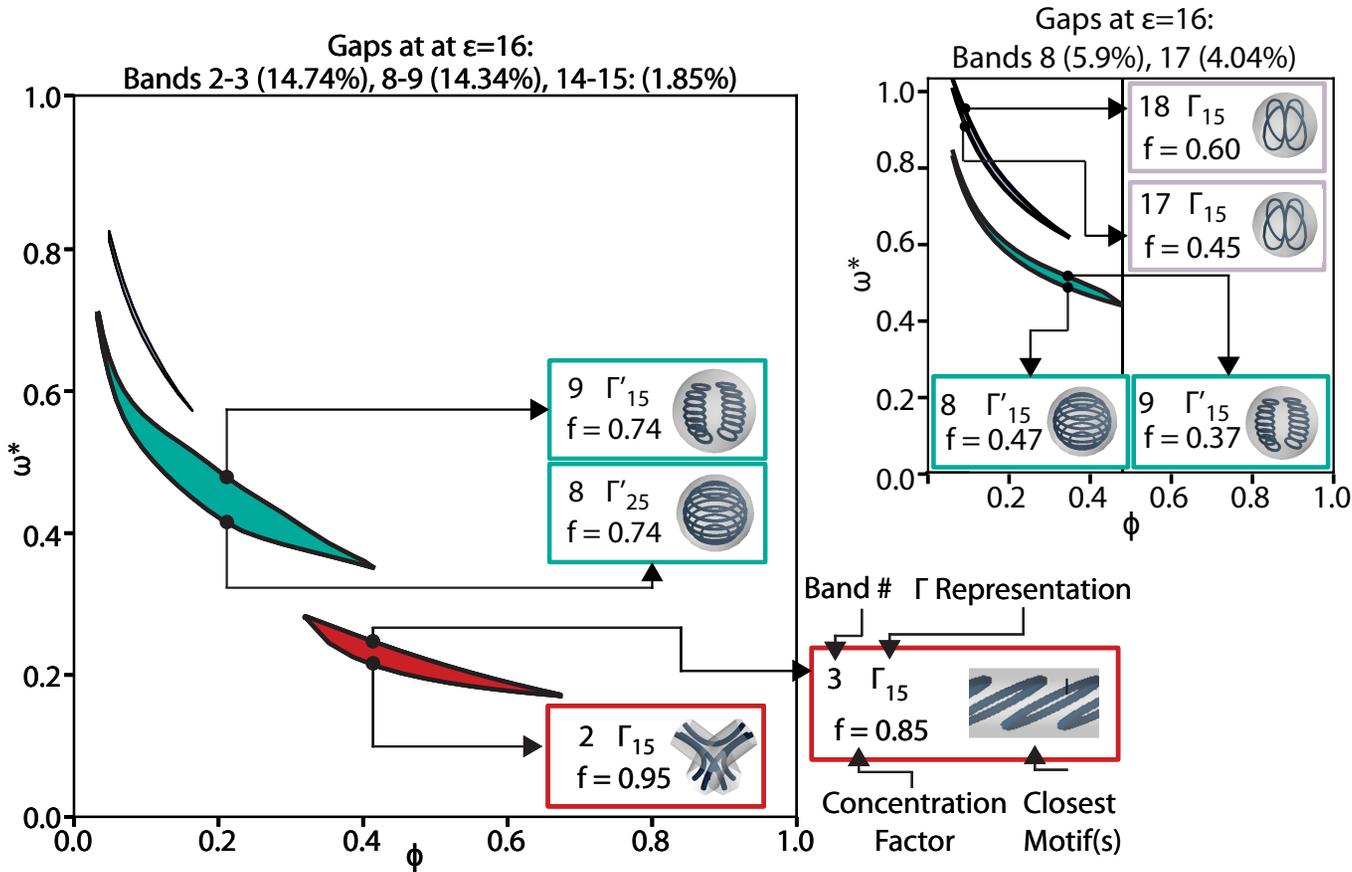
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We have learned a lot about how to design 3D photonic crystals from the 2D analogs, yet many rules are “bent” in 3D.

The space of photonic crystals available is diverse, with many that we already know how to make on colloidal length scale.

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