



## Core–Shell and Core–Multi-shell Configurations of the Polyhedra According to the Separation of Faces, & their Interlayer Polytopes

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### ABSTRACT

The 2.5D cubic schema of polyhedra according to the separation of faces and rhombic schema of faces that I have developed is applied to suggest core–shell and core–multi-shell geometries, using Class II of  $\{2,3,4\}$  symmetry as an exemplary case. The morphology of polyhedra by symmetry class and inclusion of a null element  $VP$  recognize that each of the 8 Primary Polyhedra ( $PPs$ ) of each class consists of facial polytopes ( $PTs$ ) that include 0-dimensional (0-D) vertices (1-gons), and 1-D edges (2-gons), as well as 2-D polygons ( $n$ -gons), where only those  $PTs$  that lie normal to the axes of symmetry are considered principal. Core–shell configurations are developed for pairs of  $PPs$  that share an edge of the cubic schema, by locating the smaller  $PP$  within the larger  $PP$ , where both are concentric, of unit edge length, and share coaxial negative (–ve), neutral (ntrl), and positive (+ve) axes; in Class II, these consist of facial, edge, and vertical axes of the cube, respectively. Restricting the pairings to the shared edges of the cubic schema that is abstracted from the separation of faces reduces the possible cases in each class from 56 to 12, ensuring their compatibility. The interlayer between inner and outer  $PPs$  is partitioned into radial prismatic ( $PRS$ ), pyramidal ( $PYR$ ), and truncated pyramidal frustum ( $TFM$ ) (i.e., cupola) elements of  $(0, \alpha | \beta, \text{ or } 2)$  frequency/orientation according to the rhombic schema of faces (Fig. 1), where 0 refers to the  $VT$ ;  $\alpha | \beta$  in the –ve and +ve cases to facial rotation (truncation),  $\alpha$  being the facial  $PT$  of frequency  $n$  of the polar ( $OH$  or  $CB$ ),  $\beta$  of the quasi-regular ( $CO$ ), and in the ntrl case,  $\alpha | \beta$  refer to the  $PL^+ - PL^-$  orientations of ntrl  $EGs$ ; and 2 refers to the  $2n$  double frequency case. Inner vertices project to outer vertices, ntrl edges, or  $n$ -gons to form 0- $PRSs$ , ntrl 2- $PYRs$ , or  $n$ - $PYRs$ ; inner ntrl edges project to outer ntrl edges or squares to form 2- $PRSs$  or 2- $TFMs$ ; and inner  $n$ -gons project to outer  $n$ -gons or  $2n$ -gons to form  $n$ - $PRSs$  or  $n$ - $TFMs$ , while  $2n$ -gons project to  $2n$ -gons to form  $n$ - $PRSs$ . These are all radial, on the main symmetry axes, and together fill the interlayer space. The heights of these elements are derivable from the inradii of the concentric  $PPs$ , and show constant increase by gender and axis of the cubic schema. Core–multi-shell configurations are developed by abstracting 4 or 3 consecutive sequences of  $PPs$  from the cubic schema, thus utilising the core  $VP$  and/or outer  $GR$ , respectively, and similarly aligning them coaxially and concentrically; each of the 3 or 2 interlayers thus formed being completely filled by the corresponding  $PRS$ ,  $PYR$ , and  $TFM$  elements. The geometries developed might apply to nanoarchitecture, and elsewhere.

**Key words:** separation of faces, structural morphology, order of polyhedra, core–shell, core–multi-shell, nanostructure

## 1. THE RHOMBIC SCHEMA AND THE SEPARATION OF FACES IN THE CUBIC SCHEMA

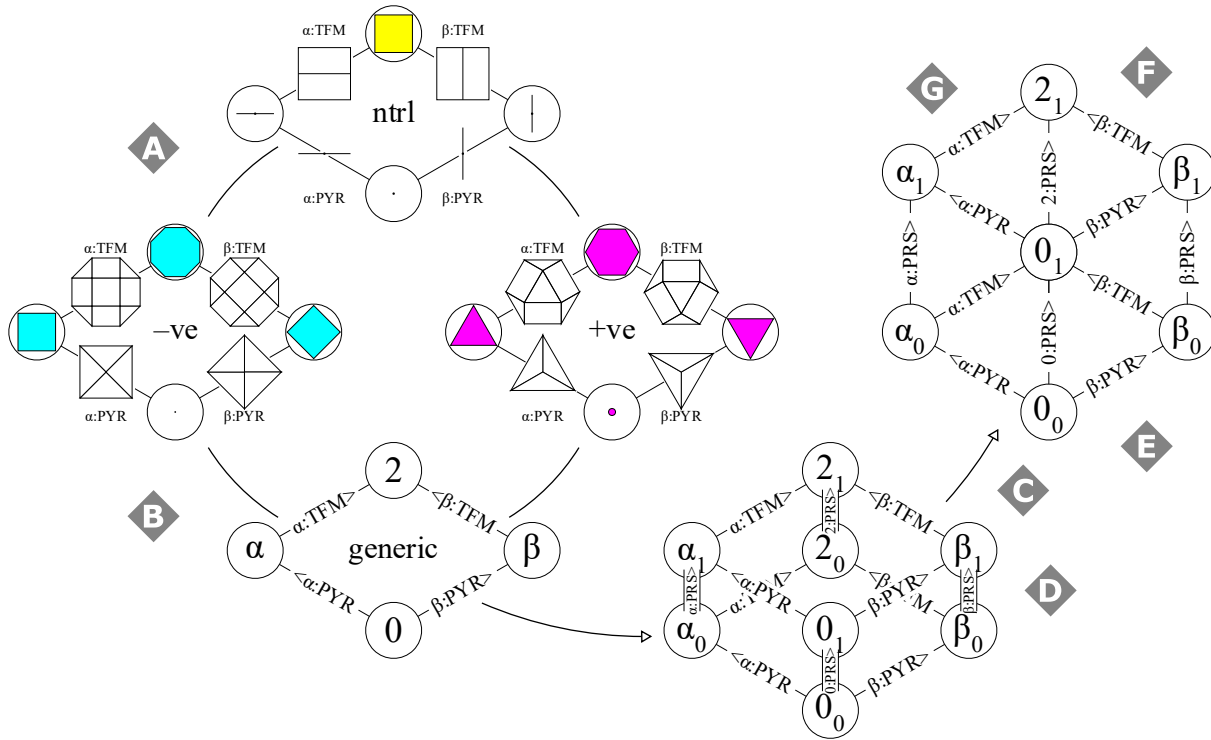
Further inspired by the work of Critchlow [1], and Grünbaum & Shephard [2], and following my much earlier research [3], the rhombic schema that I have earlier developed [4] shows the progression that faces undergo as the steps of the cubic schema progress from *VP* to *GP* (Fig. 1). The 0-faces are vertices (*VT*s); they first progress to  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  faces;  $-ve$  &  $+ve$   $\alpha$  faces are the (non-verticial) faces of the correspondingly gendered *PL*, while  $-ve$  &  $+ve$   $\beta$  faces are the corresponding faces of the *QR*, and are rotated (truncated) versions of either  $\alpha$  face; ntrl  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  faces are the  $-ve$  &  $+ve$  ntrl faces (edges) of the  $-ve$  &  $+ve$  *PL*, respectively. In Class II, the  $-ve$  face is the *SQ* of the *CB*, the  $+ve$  is the *TR* of the *OH*; the ntrl  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  are the edges (*EG*s) of the *OH* and *CB*, respectively. The 2-faces are the double frequency case of the  $\alpha|\beta$  face; in Class II, the  $-ve$ , ntrl, &  $+ve$  *OG*, *NS*, & *HX* of *GR* (or of *TC*, *SR*, & *TO*), respectively.

Figure 2 shows the cubic schema that I have earlier developed [4] in horizontal (upper) and bird's eye view (lower) for Class II of {2,3,4} symmetry; it generalizes to all 5 symmetry classes. This schema, which is abstracted from the separation of faces, is critical to exploring the morphology of the polyhedra as they stand in relation to one another, and is central to evincing the various core–shell and core–multi-shell configurations of this paper. Each (gendered) face appears twice in the cubic schema progression; it first appears at spacing of adjoining faces of  $d=0$ ; then, by the separation of faces, appears at spacing of adjacent faces of  $d=1$ . Pairs of the same kind of faces, if adjoining, share a common ntrl *VT* (*NV*) or *EG* (*NE*); if adjacent, are separated by a *NE* or ntrl square face (*NS*). When a *PP* transforms to another *PP* in the vertical progression from *VP* to *GP*, along the edges of the cubic schema, of the three genders ( $-ve$  / ntrl /  $+ve$ ), the face of one gender undergoes the separation of faces, so those faces remain of the same kind (0,  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ , 2), but the distance apart of adjoining pairs increases by unit (edge) distance to become adjacent pairs. Meanwhile, the faces of the other two genders transform to the next higher state on the rhombic schema. Thus the cubic schema is developed from two rhombic schema (Fig. 1, right), a lower  $d=0$  case of adjoining faces, and an upper  $d=1$  case of adjacent faces. This corresponds to a front horizontal view of the cubic schema.

The cubic schema of two overlaid rhombic schema represents the case for the ntrl faces, presenting the standard horizontal view of the cluster of *PP*s. Figure 3 shows that rotating the *PP* cluster by  $+2\pi/3$  about the vertical *VP*–*GR* axis, where individual *PP*s need also to rotate individually in unison to present the proper face, presents the corresponding schema for the  $+ve$  faces; rotating by  $-2\pi/3$  about the vertical *VP*–*GR* axis, it presents the schema for the  $-ve$  faces.

Therefore, all cases of concentric aligned inner *PP* and outer *PP* are accommodated, as the corresponding inner and outer faces accord with the schema; and thus the interlayer cells described between inner and outer face are either prisms for the separation of faces case, of  $VT \rightarrow VT$ ,  $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha$  or  $\beta \rightarrow \beta$ , or  $2 \rightarrow 2$  *PRS*; or they are transformations of  $NV \rightarrow NE$ ,  $VT \rightarrow \alpha$ ,  $VT \rightarrow \beta$ ;  $NE \rightarrow NS$ ; or  $\alpha \rightarrow 2$ ,  $\beta \rightarrow 2$ , which form 2-*PYR*,  $\alpha$ -*PYR*,  $\beta$ -*PYR*; 2-*TFM*; or  $\alpha$ -*TFM*,  $\beta$ -*TFM*, respectively. Therefore the only kinds of interlayer cells are *PRS*, *PYR*, and *TFM*, in which the 0-*PRS* is a virtual spike, 2-*PYR* is an isosceles *TR*, 2-*TFM* is a gable, and ntrl  $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha$  and  $\beta \rightarrow \beta$  are 2-*PRS*s, i.e., 2-gon edge prisms (of different orientation). All cells are radially oriented, coaxial to the symmetry axes. This presumes that the inner and outer *PP* pairs are directly related (share an edge) on the cubic schema. Figure 1 shows these various cases in plan at the mid-points of the edges of the rhombic schema for each gender (left), see also Figs. 3 & 4.

In Fig. 1 below, **A** indicates that Neutral interlayer cells  $\alpha$ -PYR &  $\beta$ -PYR are 2D isosceles TRs that span between inner NV and outer NE, while  $\alpha$ -TFM &  $\beta$ -TFM are gables spanning between NE & NS; **B** indicates that interlayer cells  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  PYR & TFM are inserted at mid-points of the rhombic schema between inner and outer faces; meanwhile, PRS can be imagined at each node of the generic rhombic schema. Then, **C** indicates that vertical edges show separation of faces, with associated (0,  $\alpha$  |  $\beta$ , and 2) PRSs; angled edges are corresponding transformations of faces.

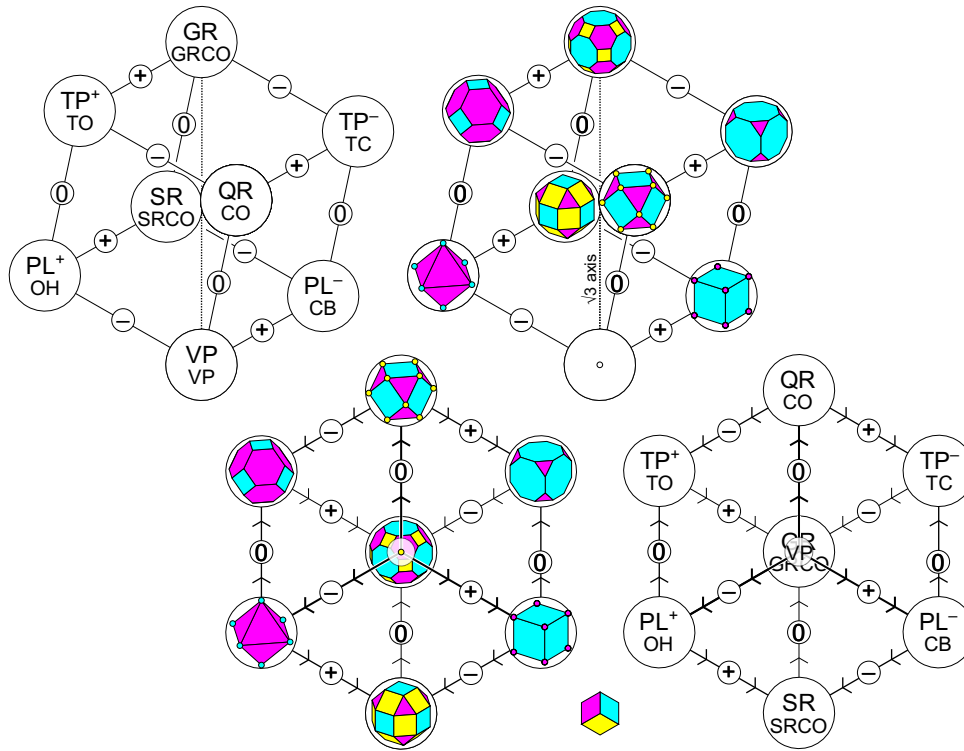


**Figure 1:** Rhombic Schema of the progression of faces in the cubic schema: Left: Class II  $-ve$ , ntrl, and  $+ve$  schema of faces; below, generic rhombic schema of faces. Right, development of cubic schema of overlaid rhombic schema; lower rhomb, adjoining faces; upper, adjacent faces;  $d=0 \rightarrow 1$ .

Next, **D** indicates that the lower rhomb of the two cubic schema at lower and upper right shows the adjoining case of  $d=0$ , while the upper rhomb shows the adjacent case of  $d=1$ , while **E** indicates that interlayer cells PRS, PYR, TFM start from VP with PRS or PYR, end with PRS or TFM to GR; meanwhile, **F** indicates that angled edges in the schema are associated  $\alpha|\beta$  PYRs from 0 faces (VT), or  $\alpha|\beta$  TFM to 2 faces (OG, NS, HX by gender). Faces of each gender migrate through the cubic schema from VP to GR through PRS, PYR, & TFM in various orders. Finally, **G** notes that  $2_0$  node lies concealed behind  $0_1$  node at the center of the complex; 2-PRS spans between inner  $2_0$  and outer  $2_1$  faces.

This analysis assumes and considers principal faces of the PPs; a principal face is a polytope (PT) of 0D, 1D, or 2D that lies normal to a symmetry axis – so a “face” in my analysis may be a vertex VT (1-gon) of 0D, edge EG (2-gon) of 1D, or a polygon (n-gon) of 2D. Hence, VP is considered to consist of  $VT^-$ ,  $VT^0$ , &  $VT^+$ ; OH of  $VT^-$ ,  $EG^0$ ,  $TR^+$ ; CB of  $SQ^-$ ,  $EG^0$ ,  $VT^+$ ; TO of  $RT^-$ ,  $EG^0$ ,  $HX^+$ ; TC of  $OG^-$ ,  $EG^0$ ,  $RT^+$ ; SR of  $SQ^-$ ,  $SQ^0$ ,  $TR^+$ ; and GR of  $OG^-$ ,  $SQ^0$ ,  $HX^+$  (where  $VT^0 = NV$ ;  $EG^0 = NE$ ;  $SQ^0 = NS$ ). Therefore, VTs and EGs of the GR & SR, and VTs and some EGs (non-NEs) of the TO & TC, are not principal, so are only considered incidentally (as parts of principal PTs). This assumption works consistently throughout this analysis and my general exploration [3–14]. A NV consists of a 1-gon of 1 VT and 1 EG, which edge might be considered to be of unit length, coiled up on itself, as in quantum.

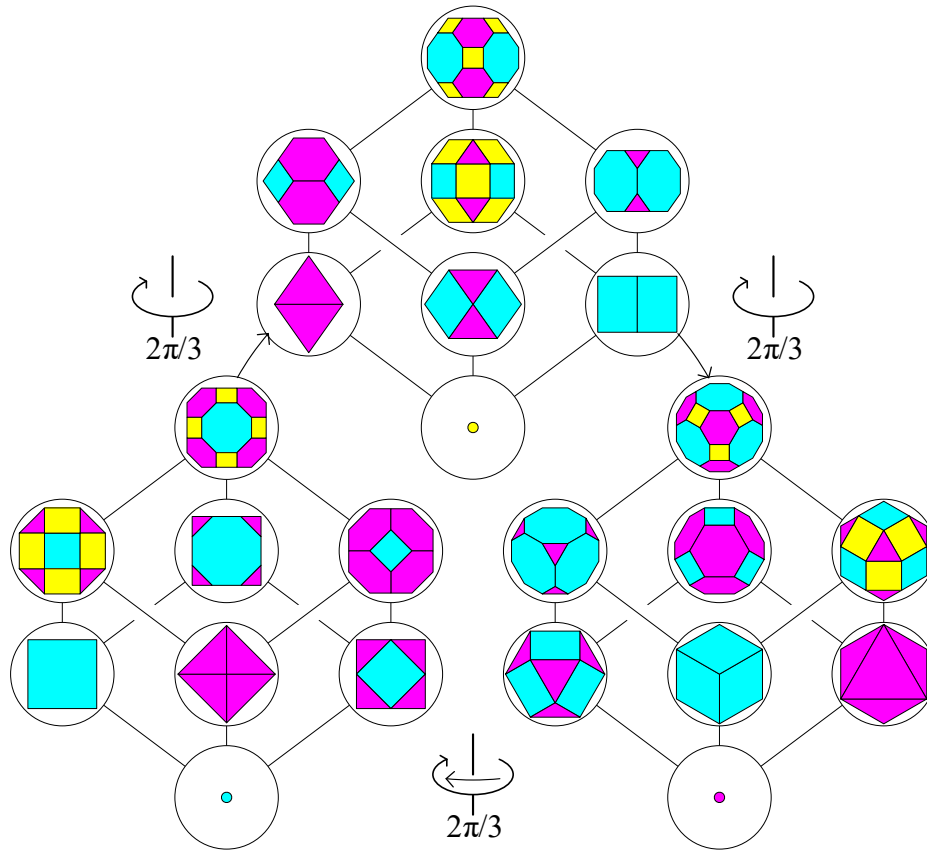
Meanwhile, a *NE* consists of a 2-gon of 2 *VTs* and 2 colinear *EGs*. So a *NV* of the *CO* can be considered to mediate pairs of adjoining *–ve RSs*, and of adjoining *RTs*, while a *NV* of a *VP* mediates pairs of adjoining *–ve VTs*, and of adjoining *+ve VTs*. While I exploit the limited three-fold symmetry of *–ve*, *ntrl* and *+ve* elements, *ntrl* elements are fundamentally different from the other two, in being of 2-frequency, with each *ntrl* element separating two *–ve* faces on one of its transverse axes, and two *+ve* faces on the other, orthogonal, transverse axis (PDF 71).



**Figure 2:** Horizontal views (upper), and views from below (lower), of the cubic schema, showing generic & Class II steps of the separation of faces (outer), and Class II steps of the separation of faces (inner). Horizontal views show separation of *–ve* faces right to left, *ntrl* faces below to above, and *+ve* faces left to right. Views from below show separation by arrows, with *VP* (closest) and *GR* (obscured; farthest) at center; out-arrows from source *VP*, in-arrows toward goal *GR* (*CB* shows inverted cubic schema form).

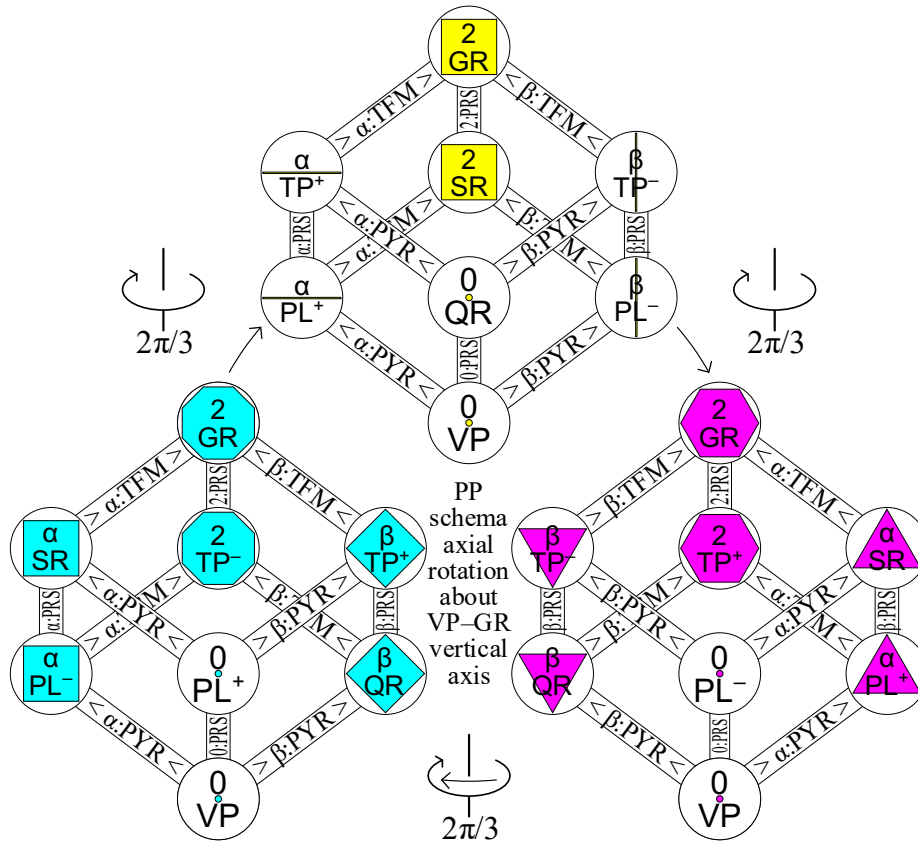
## 2. CORE–SHELL STRUCTURE IN THE SEPARATION OF FACES

The transitions between *PPs* generated by the various kinds of separation of faces suggest for the 3D polygonal cases of Classes I–III of  $\{2,3,3\}$ ,  $\{2,3,4\}$ , and  $\{2,3,5\}$  symmetry, locating the source *PP* concentric with the goal *PP*, and aligning their mutual *–ve*, *ntrl*, and *+ve* axes, to create a core–shell structure, where both core and source *PPs* are of unit edge length. These configurations might then find applications in diverse fields at varying scale from quantum, nanoscale, human, to large-scale (space structures), and beyond. While the geometry in this section is investigated for the single isolated core–shell case, its applications might be extended to single- or several-layer planar arrays, and to volumetric arrays. It is relevant to note that the 8 *PPs* of the Class II polygons are also the constituent *PPs* of Class III of the all-space-filling  $\{2,3,4\}|\{2,3,4\}$  periodic arrays of the regular and semi-regular polyhedra (the 3D honeycombs), and together with the *PPs* of Class I of the polyhedra, constitute the *PPs* of Class II of the all-space-filling  $\{2,3,3\}|\{2,3,4\}$  periodic arrays (honeycombs), while 4 of the *PPs* of the Class I polyhedra are the constituents of the singular all-space-filling  $\{2,3,3\}|\{2,3,3\}$  periodic array.



**Figure 3:** Rotations by  $2\pi/3$  of the Class II cubic schema about the schema's vertical  $GP-VP$  axis. The rotations provide snapshots that reflect the vertical correspondence of facial separation of  $d=0$  and  $d=1$  (lower to upper). In addition to the  $GR-VP$  axial rotation of the  $PP$  cluster, to present the appropriate face, each 3D  $PP$  also needs to rotate individually, but in parallel, by a common angle:  $ntrl \rightarrow +ve$ ,  $(110) \rightarrow (111)$ ;  $+ve \rightarrow -ve$ ,  $(111) \rightarrow (000)$ ;  $-ve \rightarrow ntrl$ ,  $(000) \rightarrow (110)$ ). The  $PP$  cluster rotates to present different gender of faces of the same or reflected formal structure.

I postulate that the morphology of space that these various configurations delineate underlies the potential form that space can support in terms of quantum phenomena, molecular structure, nanoarchitecture, chemical compounds, crystalline forms, and space structures, unless it is found that space itself can vary at different scale, e.g., at the quantum level and nanoscale. This recognizes that the geometric potential of empirical space as evidenced in these configurations and relationships is not specifically bound in terms of location, scale, or orientation, but does demonstrate some of the very real constraints on what is possible within space, and its inherent capacity to articulate harmonic structure. In later work, I expect to extend these principles to the polygonal arrays of Classes IV & V of the regular and semi-regular polytopes that constitute the all-space-filling  $\{2,3,6\}$  and  $\{2,4,4\}$  periodic arrays of polygons that are the regular and semi-regular tessellations of the plane, replacing the equal edge length by equal period length.



**Figure 4:** Class II cubic schema of the separating  $-ve$ , ntrl, or  $+ve$  faces at left, above, and right, respectively; according to the  $2\pi/3$  rotations of the cubic schema of  $PP$ s about the schema's vertical  $GP-VP$  axis. The interlayers of the  $-ve$ , ntrl, and  $+ve$  schema are composed of (0,  $\alpha$  |  $\beta$ , or 2)  $PR$ Ss, ( $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ )  $PY$ Rs, or ( $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ )  $TF$ Ms, and are derived at each axial rotation of faces. The ntrl  $\alpha$  |  $\beta$  schema differs significantly from the  $-ve$  &  $+ve$   $\alpha$  |  $\beta$  schema, although deeply akin. The same formal/reflected structure is seen in the interlayer cases derived from the pairings of faces.

In the transition from core to shell, of inner  $PP$  to outer  $PP$ , the 2D polygons of the separating faces generate radial polygonal prisms. (A familiar example is the  $CB$  inside  $SRCO$ , where separating  $-ve$   $SQ$  faces of the  $CB$  generate  $SQ$  prisms that are cuboids of  $1 \times 1 \times 1/\sqrt{2}$  size). In any particular case, the separation of faces of one gender is accompanied by the transformation of the faces of the other two genders; in the interlayer between inner and outer  $PP$ , these form radial  $PY$ Rs and  $TF$ Ms, so that the interlayer space is filled with radial  $PR$ Ss,  $PY$ Rs, and  $TF$ Ms. Allowing ntrl 1D faces of edge ( $E$ ) to generate edge prisms ( $E-PR$ S), and  $-ve$ , ntrl, and  $+ve$  0D faces of  $V$  to generate vertex prisms ( $V-PR$ S), it becomes evident that in each of the 3 classes of regular and semi-regular polyhedra, just 12 such core-shell structures can be found, i.e., 4 for each of the  $-ve$ , ntrl, and  $+ve$  separation of faces, which underlies the cubic schema. In each class, *Core*  $\rightarrow$  *Shell*: Step 1.  $VP \rightarrow PL^+$ ,  $VP \rightarrow QR$ , and  $VP \rightarrow PL^-$ ; Step 2.  $PL^+ \rightarrow SR$  and  $PL^+ \rightarrow TP^+$ ,  $QR \rightarrow TP^+$  and  $QR \rightarrow TP^-$ ,  $PL^- \rightarrow TP^-$  and  $PL^- \rightarrow SR$ ; Step 3.  $TP^- \rightarrow GR$ ,  $SR \rightarrow GR$ , and  $TP^+ \rightarrow GR$ . For example in Figs. 2–4, in Class II, the separating  $-ve$  and  $+ve$  faces of the  $QR$   $CO$  on their  $-ve$  and  $+ve$  axes to the  $TP^+$   $TO$  and  $TP^-$   $TC$  will form  $RS$  and  $TR$   $PR$ Ss, respectively, bearing in mind that the inner  $CO$  and outer  $TO$  and  $TC$  are of unit edge length.

Table I shows the 12 separating facial  $PT$ s for the generic case and their Core and Shell  $PT$ s, while Table II shows the generic and Class I–V separating pairs and their Core and Shell  $PT$ s.

**Table I.** The twelve separating facial *PT*s for the Generic meta-class and their Core & Shell polytopes.

Negative			Neutral			Positive		
Separating facial <i>PT</i> s	Source Core <i>PT</i>	Goal Shell <i>PT</i>	Separating facial <i>PT</i> s	Source Core <i>PT</i>	Goal Shell <i>PT</i>	Separating facial <i>PT</i> s	Source Core <i>PT</i>	Goal Shell <i>PT</i>
$F_2^-$	$TP^-$	$GR$	$F_2^0$	$SR$	$GR$	$F_2^+$	$TP^+$	$GR$
$F_\beta^-$	$QR$	$TP^+$	$F_\beta^0$	$PL^-$	$TP^-$	$F_\beta^+$	$QR$	$TP^-$
$F_\alpha^-$	$PL^-$	$SR$	$F_\alpha^0$	$PL^+$	$TP^+$	$F_\alpha^+$	$PL^+$	$SR$
$F_0^-$	$VP$	$PL^+$	$F_0^0$	$VP$	$QR$	$F_0^+$	$VP$	$PL^-$

NB.  $F_0^- = V^-$ ;  $F_0^0 = V^0$ ,  $F_\alpha^0 = E_\alpha^0$ ,  $F_\beta^0 = E_\beta^0$ ,  $F_2^0 = F^0$ ;  $F_0^+ = V^+$ . According to this model, as described in my cubic schema [4], facial polytopes can be *VT*s (1-gons), *EG*s (2-gons), or *PG*s, providing that they are on -ve, ntrl, or +ve symmetry axes, though not all facial *PT*s are so located (e.g., *VT*s and *EG*s of *SRCO* & *GRCO*). The (0,  $\alpha$  |  $\beta$ , and 2) faces are as given in my rhombic schema (Fig. 1) [4: Fig. 3].

**Table II.** Separating *PP* pairs for the Generic meta-class and Classes I–V and their Core and Shell *PT*s.

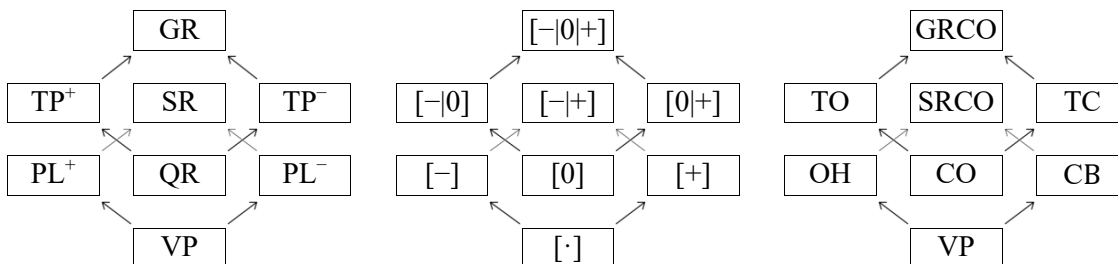
CLASS	Negative			Neutral			Positive		
	<i>PT</i> s Separate	Source Core <i>PT</i>	Goal Shell <i>PT</i>	<i>PT</i> s Separate	Source Core <i>PT</i>	Goal Shell <i>PT</i>	<i>PT</i> s Separate	Source Core <i>PT</i>	Goal Shell <i>PT</i>
Generic {ntrl,+,-}	$F_0^-$	$VP$	$PL^+$	$F_0^0$	$VP$	$QR$	$F_0^+$	$VP$	$PL^-$
	$F_\alpha^-$	$PL^-$	$SR$	$F_\alpha^0$	$PL^+$	$TP^+$	$F_\alpha^+$	$PL^+$	$SR$
	$F_\beta^-$	$QR$	$TP^+$	$F_\beta^0$	$PL^-$	$TP^-$	$F_\beta^+$	$QR$	$TP^-$
	$F_2^-$	$TP^-$	$GR$	$F_2^0$	$SR$	$GR$	$F_2^+$	$TP^+$	$GR$
V {2,4,4}	$v^-$	$vt:vt$	$sq:vt$	$v^0$	$vt:vt$	$rs:rs$	$v^+$	$vt:vt$	$vt:sq$
	$sq^-$	$vt:sq$	$sq:sq$	$e_\alpha^0$	$sq:vt$	$og:rs$	$sq^+$	$sq:vt$	$sq:sq$
	$rs^-$	$rs:rs$	$og:rs$	$e_\beta^0$	$vt:sq$	$rs:og$	$rs^+$	$rs:rs$	$rs:og$
	$og^-$	$rs:og$	$og:og$	$sq^0$	$sq:sq$	$og:og$	$og^+$	$og:rs$	$og:og$
IV {2,3,6}	$v^-$	$vt:vt$	$tr:vt$	$v^0$	$vt:vt$	$rt:rx$	$v^+$	$vt:vt$	$vt:hx$
	$hx^-$	$vt:hx$	$tr:hx$	$e_\alpha^0$	$tr:vt$	$hx:rx$	$tr^+$	$tr:vt$	$tr:hx$
	$rx^-$	$rt:rx$	$hx:rx$	$e_\beta^0$	$vt:hx$	$rt:dd$	$rt^+$	$rt:rx$	$rt:dd$
	$dd^-$	$rt:dd$	$hx:dd$	$sq^0$	$tr:hx$	$hx:dd$	$hx^+$	$hx:rx$	$hx:dd$
III {2,3,5}	$V^-$	$VP$	$IC$	$V^0$	$VP$	$ID$	$V^+$	$VP$	$DC$
	$PN$	$DC$	$SRID$	$E_\alpha^0$	$IC$	$TI$	$TR$	$IC$	$SRID$
	$RP$	$ID$	$TI$	$E_\beta^0$	$DC$	$TD$	$RT$	$ID$	$TD$
	$DG$	$TD$	$GRID$	$SQ^0$	$SRID$	$GRID$	$HX$	$TI$	$GRID$
II {2,3,4}	$V^-$	$VP$	$OH$	$V^0$	$VP$	$CO$	$V^+$	$VP$	$CB$
	$SQ$	$CB$	$SRCO$	$E_\alpha^0$	$OH$	$TO$	$TR$	$OH$	$SRCO$
	$RS$	$CO$	$TO$	$E_\beta^0$	$CB$	$TC$	$RT$	$CO$	$TC$
	$OG$	$TC$	$GRCO$	$SQ^0$	$SRCO$	$GRCO$	$HX$	$TO$	$GRCO$
I {2,3,3}	$V^-$	$VP$	$TH^+$	$V^0$	$VP$	$OH^*$	$V^+$	$VP$	$TH^-$
	$TR^-$	$TH^-$	$CO^*$	$E_\alpha^0$	$TH^+$	$TT^+$	$TR^+$	$TH^+$	$CO^*$
	$RT^-$	$OH^*$	$TT^+$	$E_\beta^0$	$TH^-$	$TT^-$	$RT^+$	$OH^*$	$TT^-$
	$HX^-$	$TT^-$	$TO^*$	$SQ^0$	$CO^*$	$TO^*$	$HX^+$	$TT^+$	$TO^*$

NB: \* denotes colored;  $OH^*$  = Tetra-tetrahedron ( $TR:TR$ ) ( $QR$ );  $CO^*$  =  $SR TR:TR$ ;  $TO^*$  =  $GR TR:TR$  [3: Fig. 7]. Refer Nomenclature, p.21; see also my earlier papers.

### 3. CORE–MULTI-SHELL STRUCTURE

The developed 2.5D schema of the *PPs* of each class of the polyhedra according to the sequential separation of faces [4] reveals that within each class, 6 core–multi-shell configurations can be advanced, each with core *VP* (corresponding to its class) and 3 shells, in each case with the outermost shell being the *GR QR* of that class. These could be differentiated into 2-step sequence (core + 2 layers) from *VP*, 2-step sequence to *GR*, as well as 3-step *VP–GR* (core + 3 layers). Each of the 6 core–multi-shell configurations is characterized by three consecutive steps of separation of –ve, ntrl, or +ve faces, so that the separation of each gender (–ve, ntrl, +ve) can occur only once. Any *PP* is characterized by a unique combination of realized separations, though the order in which the gendered separation occurs can vary. While the *VP* is characterized by no separation, *PL<sup>+</sup>*, *QR*, & *PL<sup>–</sup>* evolve from a single –ve, ntrl, or +ve separation, respectively; *TP<sup>–</sup>*, *SR*, & *TP<sup>+</sup>* evolve from two –ve, ntrl, or +ve separations, in either of two ways; and *GR* evolves from all three –ve, ntrl, and +ve separations in any of 6 different ways. Therefore the 8 *PPs* show a natural classification into 4 classes of [*VP*]; [*PL<sup>+</sup>*, *QR*, & *PL<sup>–</sup>*]; [*TP<sup>–</sup>*, *SR*, & *TP<sup>+</sup>*]; and [*GR*], according to their history of facial separation. They also show natural affinities, according to whether they are sequentially related (by the separation of faces/cubic schema). Note also from Table III, center, that the division of the *PPs* into lower and upper rhombs accords with whether the separation of neutral faces has occurred (*d=1*), or has not (*d=0*) (Fig. 1, right). The lower rhomb of <*VP*, *PL<sup>+</sup>*|*PL<sup>–</sup>*, *SR*> is characterized by the separation of neutral faces not having occurred (*d=0*), while the upper rhomb of <*QR*, *TP<sup>+</sup>*|*TP<sup>–</sup>*, *GR*> is characterized by the separation of neutral faces having occurred (*d=1*); this differentiation accords with a further natural classification of the *PPs*.

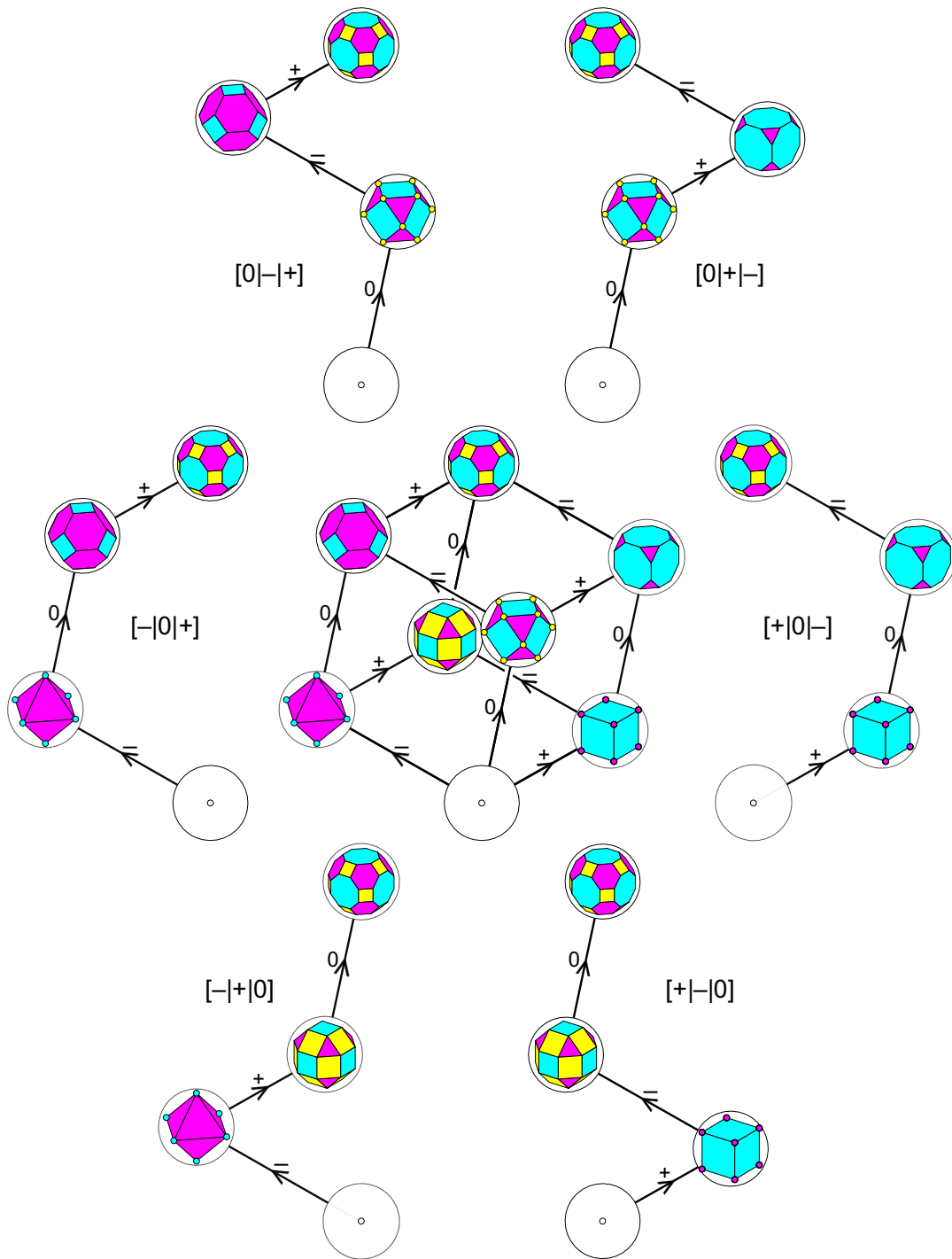
**Table III:** Constituent *PPs* of each class as generic expressions of facial separation gender [–|0|+].



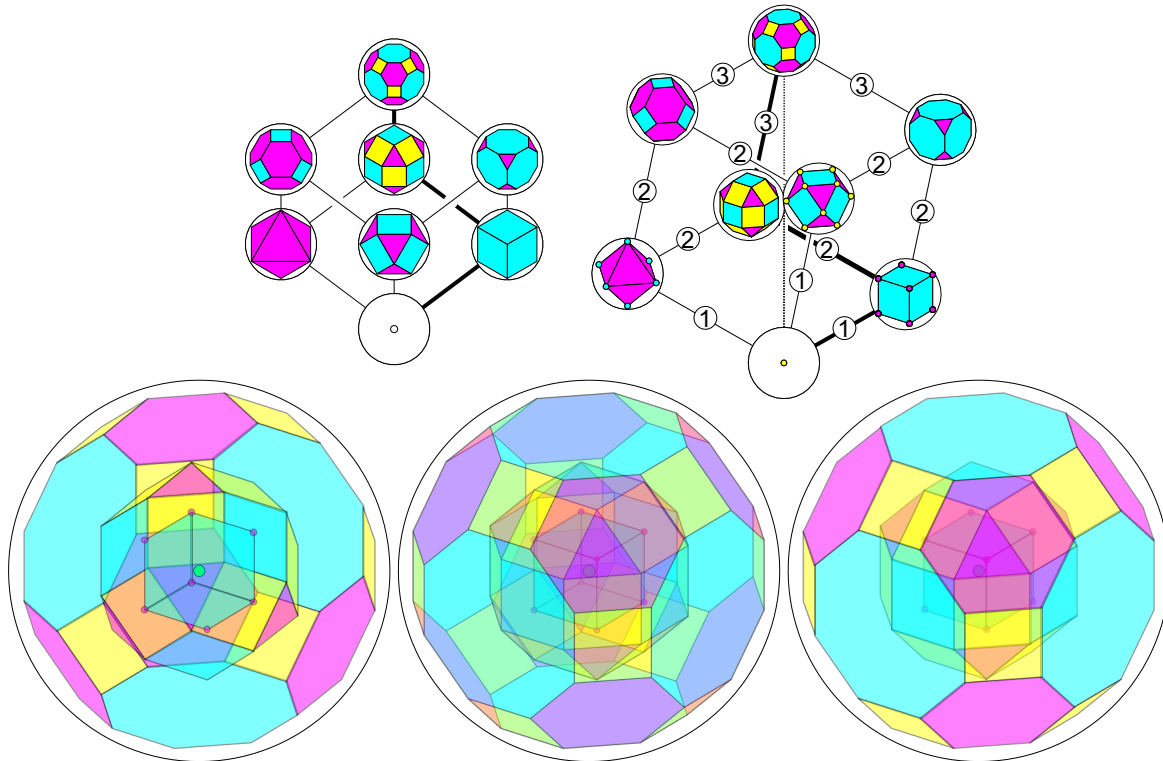
Although there are  $8 \times 7 = 56$  combinations of regularly situating a *PT* within another *PT* of its class, both with unit length, applying the cubic schema organized according to the key separation of faces evolved from the rhombic schema of faces reduces the core–shell combinations to just 12 configurations, whilst guaranteeing the consistency of harmonic cellular partition of the interlayer into radial *PRS*, *PYR*, and *TFM* spatial elements.

Referring to the cubic schema shows that the 12 configurations of paired inner & outer *PTs* give rise to just 12 2-step configurations of *PT* in *PT* in *PT*, i.e.,  $VP \rightarrow PT_1 \rightarrow PT_2$ , or  $PT_1 \rightarrow PT_2 \rightarrow GR$ , discounting the skipping of an intermediate *PT* in the progression from *VP* to *GR*. Figure 5 shows the 6 possible 3-step complete sequences that include the source *VP* and the goal *GR*; each strand forms a triangular helix on the zonahedral cubic schema, and as observed, comprises a –ve, ntrl, & +ve separation of faces, according to axis, each strand in different overall order. Figures 6 & 7 show the Class II  $VP \rightarrow CB \rightarrow SR CO \rightarrow GR CO$  sequence.

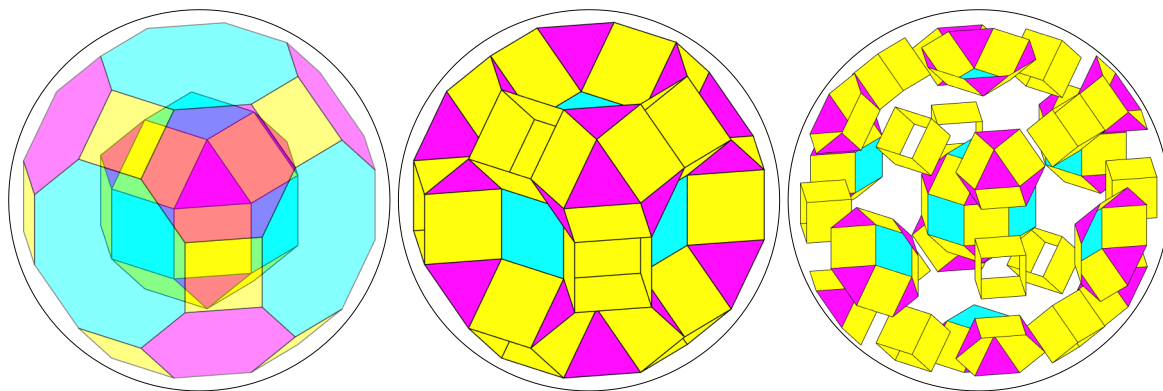




**Figure 5:** The six multi-shell expansion strands, i.e., triangular helices (core-shell 1-shell 2-outer shell) of Class II in concert, and extracted. Each strand is characterized by  $1 \times -ve$ ,  $1 \times ntrl$ , &  $1 \times +ve$  separation of faces, in varied order. Clockwise from 1 o'clock:  $[0|+|-]$ ,  $[+|0|-]$ ,  $[+|-|0]$ ,  $[-|+|0]$ ,  $[-|0|+]$ ,  $[0|-|+]$ ; views of schema from below of Figs. 14 & 15 show these helices. Core-multi-shell configurations are then formed by arranging the four PTs of each strand concentrically and co-axially (as in Figs. 6 & 7), and except  $VP$  are of unit edge length. Classes I & III of  $\{2,3,3\}$  &  $\{2,3,5\}$  form similar configurations.



**Figure 6:** The Class II  $VP \rightarrow CB \rightarrow SR CO \rightarrow GR CO$  sequence, with  $[+|-|0]$  order of separation of faces, and unit edge length. Above: 2.5D schema and rotated schema emphasizing the  $VP:CB:SR CO:GR CO$  strand. Below: left, interior background multi-shell; center, multi-shell; right: foreground multi-shell.



**Figure 7:** Class II  $VP \rightarrow CB \rightarrow SR CO \rightarrow GR CO$  sequence Left:  $SR$  in  $GR$ ; center, development of interlayer web between  $SR$  and  $GR$  layers, with  $TFM_4$ ,  $TFM_3$ , and  $SQ$  PRSs; right, exploded view.

A convenient example is the Class II  $VP \rightarrow CB \rightarrow SR CO \rightarrow GR CO$  sequence, characterized as the  $[+|-|0]$  order of separation of faces, in Fig. 5 lower right, and Fig. 6 top right. In Step 1 of  $VP \rightarrow CB$ ,  $V^+$  separates, while  $V^- \rightarrow SQ^-$  and  $V^0 \rightarrow E_\alpha^0$ . In Step 2 of  $CB \rightarrow SR CO$ ,  $SQ^-$  separates, while  $E_\alpha^0 \rightarrow NS$  and  $V^+ \rightarrow TR_\alpha^+$ . In Step 3 of  $SR CO \rightarrow GR CO$ ,  $NS$  separates, while  $SQ^- \rightarrow OG^-$  and  $TR^+ \rightarrow HX^+ = 2fTR^+$ . So in Step 1 of  $VP \rightarrow CB$ , the 8 contracted  $V^+$ s separate from coincident to cubic array, forming radials of the  $CB$ , as the 6  $V^-$ s transform to the 6  $SQ$  pyramids of the cube (of height  $1/2$ ); meanwhile, the 12  $V^0$ s extend to  $E_\alpha^0$ s. In Step 2 of  $CB \rightarrow SR CO$ , as the 6 contracted  $SQ^-$ s separate to form  $SQ$  prisms of height  $\sqrt{2}/2$ , the 8  $V^+$ s transform to  $TR$  pyramids of height  $\sqrt{6}/6$ ; while the 12  $E_\alpha^0$ s extrude to  $NS$ s.

These form the right gables of half *CB*s cut on the  $\sqrt{2}$  axis of height 1/2. Finally, in Step 3 of *SR CO*  $\rightarrow$  *GR CO*, as the 12 *NS*s separate to form *NS* prisms, the 6 expanded *SQ*<sup>-</sup>s transform to expanded *OG*<sup>-</sup>s, forming a  $2SP_8^-$  prism with alternating rectangular and isosceles triangular faces between outer base *OG* and inner top *SQ*, while the 8 expanded *TR*<sup>+</sup>s transform to expanded *HX*s, forming  $2SP_6^+$  between outer *HX* and inner *TR*. This can be tabulated *VP: CB: SRCO: GRCO*, as below:

**Table IV:** Class II Core–Multi-shell structure by shell sequence, step, gendered inner and outer face, and gendered interlayer all-space-filling prism, pyramid, and truncated pyramidal frustum.

Multi-shell	PT shell sequence	Step	Negative			Neutral			Positive		
			Inner PT shell	Inter-layer PT shell	Outer PT shell	Inner PT shell	Inter-layer PT shell	Outer PT shell	Inner PT shell	Inter-layer PT shell	Outer PT shell
TC: CO	GRCO TC: CO: VP:	3	$OG_0^-$	$PRS_8^-$	$OG_1^-$	$E_1^0$	$TFM_2^0$	$SQ_1^0$	$RT_1^+$	$TFM_3^+$	$HX_1^+$
		2	$RS_0^-$	$TFM_4^-$	$OG_0^-$	$V_1^0$	$PYR_2^0$	$E_1^0$	$RT_0^+$	$PRS_3^+$	$RT_1^+$
		1	$V_0^-$	$PYR_4^-$	$RS_0^-$	$V_0^0$	$PRS_1^0$	$V_1^0$	$V_0^+$	$PYR_3^+$	$RT_0^+$
TC: CB	GRCO TC: CB: VP:	3	$OG_0^-$	$PRS_8^-$	$OG_1^-$	$E_1^0$	$TFM_2^0$	$SQ_1^0$	$RT_1^+$	$TFM_3^+$	$HX_1^+$
		2	$SQ_0^-$	$TFM_4^-$	$OG_0^-$	$E_0^0$	$PRS_2^0$	$E_1^0$	$V_1^+$	$PYR_3^+$	$RT_1^+$
		1	$V_0^-$	$PYR_4^-$	$SQ_0^-$	$V_0^0$	$PYR_\alpha^0$	$E_0^0$	$V_0^+$	$PRS_1^+$	$V_1^+$
SR CO: CB	GRCO SRCO: CB: VP:	3	$SQ_1^-$	$TFM_4^-$	$OG_1^-$	$SQ_0^0$	$PRS_4^0$	$SQ_1^0$	$TR_1^+$	$TFM_3^+$	$HX_1^+$
		2	$SQ_0^-$	$PRS_4^-$	$SQ_1^-$	$E_0^0$	$TFM_2^0$	$SQ_0^0$	$V_1^+$	$PYR_3^+$	$TR_1^+$
		1	$V_0^-$	$PYR_4^-$	$SQ_0^-$	$V_0^0$	$PYR_\alpha^0$	$E_0^0$	$V_0^+$	$PRS_1^+$	$V_1^+$
SR CO: OH	GRCO SRCO: OH: VP:	3	$SQ_1^-$	$TFM_4^-$	$OG_1^-$	$SQ_0^0$	$PRS_4^0$	$SQ_1^0$	$TR_1^+$	$TFM_3^+$	$HX_1^+$
		2	$V_1^-$	$PYR_4^-$	$SQ_1^-$	$E_0^0$	$TFM_2^0$	$SQ_0^0$	$TR_0^+$	$PRS_3^+$	$TR_1^+$
		1	$V_0^-$	$PRS_1^-$	$V_1^-$	$V_0^0$	$PYR_\alpha^0$	$E_0^0$	$V_0^+$	$PYR_3^+$	$TR_0^+$
TO: OH	GRCO TO: OH: VP:	3	$RS_1^-$	$TFM_4^-$	$OG_1^-$	$E_1^0$	$TFM_4^0$	$SQ_1^0$	$HX_0^+$	$PRS_6^+$	$HX_1^+$
		2	$V_1^-$	$PYR_4^-$	$RS_1^-$	$E_0^0$	$PRS_2^0$	$E_1^0$	$TR_0^+$	$TFM_3^+$	$HX_0^+$
		1	$V_0^-$	$PRS_1^-$	$V_1^-$	$V_0^0$	$PYR_\alpha^0$	$E_0^0$	$V_0^+$	$PYR_3^+$	$TR_0^+$
TO: CO	GRCO TO: CO: VP:	3	$RS_1^-$	$TFM_4^-$	$OG_1^-$	$E_1^0$	$TFM_2^0$	$SQ_1^0$	$HX_0^+$	$PRS_6^+$	$HX_1^+$
		2	$RS_0^-$	$PRS_4^-$	$RS_1^-$	$V_1^0$	$PYR_2^0$	$E_1^0$	$RT_0^+$	$TFM_3^+$	$HX_0^+$
		1	$V_0^-$	$PYR_4^-$	$RS_0^-$	$V_0^0$	$PRS_1^0$	$V_1^0$	$V_0^+$	$PYR_3^+$	$RT_0^+$
			Inner	Interlayer	Outer	In PT	Interlayer	Outer	In PT	Interlayer	Outer

NB: Superscript is gender. Inner/outer *PT* shell subscript is d = 0 or 1; Interlayer *PT* shell subscript is frequency.  $SQ^0$  is neutral square (*NS*). Ntrl  $PYR_2^0$  is 2f pyramid = radial isosceles *TR*;  $PRS_2^0$  is radial *SQ*.

**Table V:** The 6 generic (above) and Class II (below) multi-shell configurations of the polyhedra.

MS-I	<i>VP: QR: TP<sup>+</sup>: GR</i>	MS-II	<i>VP: PL<sup>+</sup>: TP<sup>+</sup>: GR</i>	MS-III	<i>VP: PL<sup>+</sup>: SR: GR</i>
MS-IV	<i>VP: PL<sup>-</sup>: SR<sup>-</sup>: GR</i>	MS-V	<i>VP: PL<sup>-</sup>: TP<sup>-</sup>: GR</i>	MS-VI	<i>VP: QR: TP<sup>-</sup>: GR</i>
MS-I	<i>VP: CO: TO: GRCO</i>	MS-II	<i>VP: OH: TO: GRCO</i>	MS-III	<i>VP: OH: SRCO: GRCO</i>
MS-IV	<i>VP: CB: SRCO: GRCO</i>	MS-V	<i>VP: CB: TC: GRCO</i>	MS-VI	<i>VP: CO: TC: GRCO</i>

**Table VI:** The six generic multi-shell (MS I–VI) *PP* configurations according to facial separation.

	$0^{-+}$	MS-I <i>qr·tp<sup>+</sup></i>	$-0^{+}$	MS-II <i>pl<sup>+</sup>·tp<sup>+</sup></i>	$-^{+}0$	M-III <i>pl<sup>+</sup>·sr</i>	$+^{-}0$	MS-IV <i>pl<sup>-</sup>·sr</i>	$+0^{-}$	MS-V <i>pl<sup>-</sup>·tp<sup>-</sup></i>	$0^{+-}$	MS-VI <i>qr·tp<sup>-</sup></i>
<i>Shell 3</i>		<i>GR</i>		<i>GR</i>		<i>GR</i>		<i>GR</i>		<i>GR</i>		<i>GR</i>
gender	+		+		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>		-		-	
<i>Shell 2</i>		<i>TP<sup>+</sup></i>		<i>TP<sup>+</sup></i>		<i>SR</i>		<i>SR</i>		<i>TP<sup>-</sup></i>		<i>TP<sup>-</sup></i>
gender	-		<b>0</b>		+		-		<b>0</b>		+	
<i>Shell 1</i>		<i>QR</i>		<i>PL<sup>+</sup></i>		<i>PL<sup>+</sup></i>		<i>PL<sup>-</sup></i>		<i>PL<sup>-</sup></i>		<i>QR</i>
gender	<b>0</b>		-		-		+		+		<b>0</b>	
<i>Shell 0</i>		<i>VP</i>		<i>VP</i>		<i>VP</i>		<i>VP</i>		<i>VP</i>		<i>VP</i>

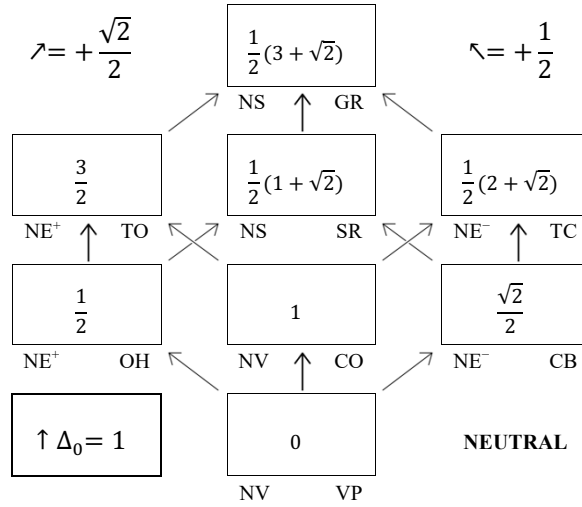
The differentiation of the configurations into their cellular components requires three forms of frequency *f*: the prism (*PRS<sub>f</sub>*); pyramid (*PYR<sub>f</sub>*); and truncated pyramidal frustum (*TFM<sub>f</sub>*). The frequency *f* of the *PRS* and *PYR* is of the base; but Fig. 8 shows the original pyramid before truncation is of that frequency, so the frequency *f* of the *TPF* is of the top (inner *PT* face); this form thus has a base (outer *PT* face) of  $2f$ , and alternating sidewalls of rectangles (*RGs*) and isosceles triangles, prototypes being half of the *CO* cut at one equatorial plane with base *HX*, top *TR*, and sidewalls of alternating *SQs* and regular *TRs*; or alternatively, the form between -ve *SQ* top of the *CB* and -ve *OG* base of the *GR CO*, with alternating  $\sqrt{2}/2$  rectangular (*RG*) and *TR* sidewalls. The *PRS* is used for the volumetric element of the separation of faces; if it is the *VP* that is separating, then *PRS<sub>1</sub>* is a radial spike, like the radials of the *CO*; if the (neutral) *EG* is separating, then *PRS<sub>2</sub>* is a radial *SQ*. If *VT* is expanding to *EG*, then the radial triangle is a *PYR<sub>2</sub>*. In the case of the neutral *EG* of the *CB* to *NS* of the *SRCO*, the gable form that is formed with  $90^\circ$  apex angle is recognized as the  $2f$ -*TPF<sub>2</sub>* between 2-gon top and *SQ* base, with two  $\sqrt{2}/2$  *RG* and two isosceles triangular (*TR*) sidewalls alternating.

**Table VII.** Gender & length of interlayer web elements by the separation of faces from *PP* to *PP*.

	<i>VP</i>	<i>OH</i>	<i>CO</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>TO</i>	<i>SR</i>	<i>TC</i>	<i>GR</i>	
<i>GR</i>					$\sqrt{3}/2$	1	$\sqrt{2}/2$		<i>GR</i>
<i>TC</i>			$\sqrt{3}/2$	1				-ve	<i>TC</i>
<i>SR</i>		$\sqrt{3}/2$		$\sqrt{2}/2$				ntrl	<i>SR</i>
<i>TO</i>		1	$\sqrt{2}/2$					+ve	<i>TO</i>
<i>CB</i>	$\sqrt{3}/2$					-ve	ntrl		<i>CB</i>
<i>CO</i>	1				-ve		+ve		<i>CO</i>
<i>OH</i>	$\sqrt{2}/2$				ntrl	+ve			<i>OH</i>
<i>VP</i>		-ve	ntrl	+ve					<i>VP</i>
	<i>VP</i>	<i>OH</i>	<i>CO</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>TO</i>	<i>SR</i>	<i>TC</i>	<i>GR</i>	

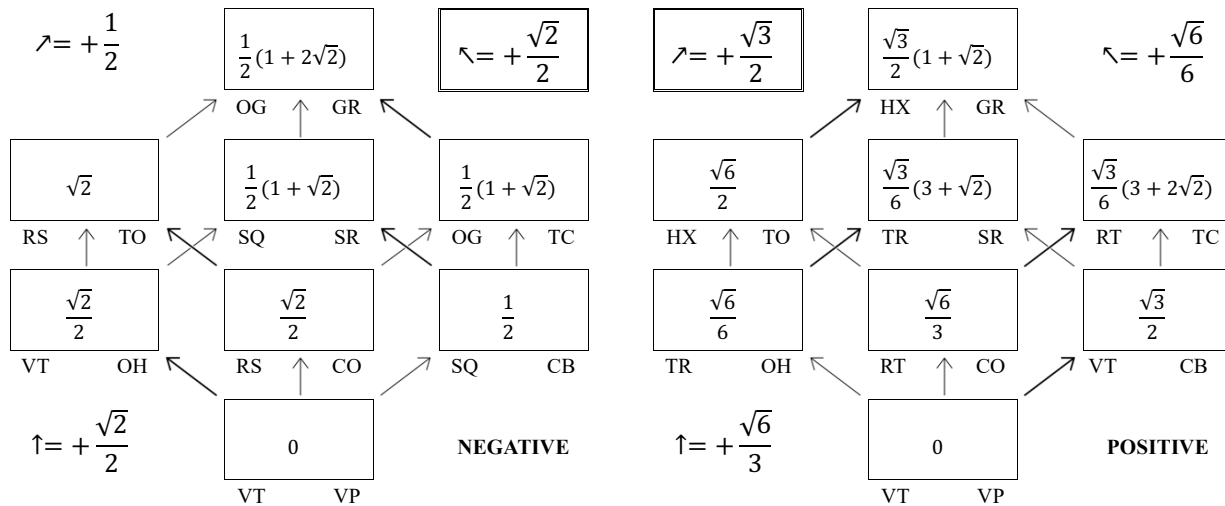
For unit core–shell pairs: Above left, length of interlayer web elements; top header, inner *PP*; left header, outer *PP*. Below right, gender of separation of faces; right header, inner *PP*, bottom header, outer *PP*. For each *PRS*, *PYR*, & *TFM*, for unit length inner and outer *PPs*, the web edges connecting the two *PPs* are of equal length of  $\sqrt{2}/2$ , 1, or  $\sqrt{3}/2$ , dependent on the -ve, ntrl, or +ve separation of faces.

Bold arrows show separation of faces, with constant values of increase in in-radii given in double-line boxes, representing the height, so axial edge, of *PPS*. *PP* named at right, gendered face *F* at left; boxed equation is in-radius. *PRS* spans between same face type on inner & outer *PP*.



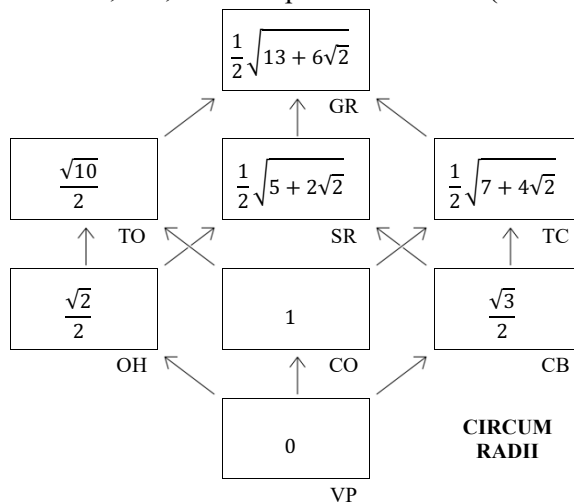
CLASS II INRADI

Light arrows of the other two axes also reveal constant increases, with values given in unboxed equations, represent axial height of the relevant *PYR* or *TFM*. *PYR* spans *VT* on inner *PP* to *PT* on outer *PP*; *TFM* spans *PT* on inner *PP* to the next *PT* on the rhombic schema, on the outer *PP*.



Above: Inradii of *PPs* for the -ve, ntrl, & +ve separation of faces (bold arrows, double-line boxes).

Circumradii, which do not show constant increase by axis. From the initial progressions from *VP* to *OH*, *CO*, & *CB*, all other radii can be found by cyclic calculation of circumradius → inradius → different gender inradius → circumradius → different circumradius.



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All inradii (above) and circumradii (left) are constructible numbers. The regularity of this order as evident in the constant increases of inradii on each axis further validates the 2.5D cubic schema. Similar relations apply to the other classes of polyhedra, and might be extended to the 2D tessellations.

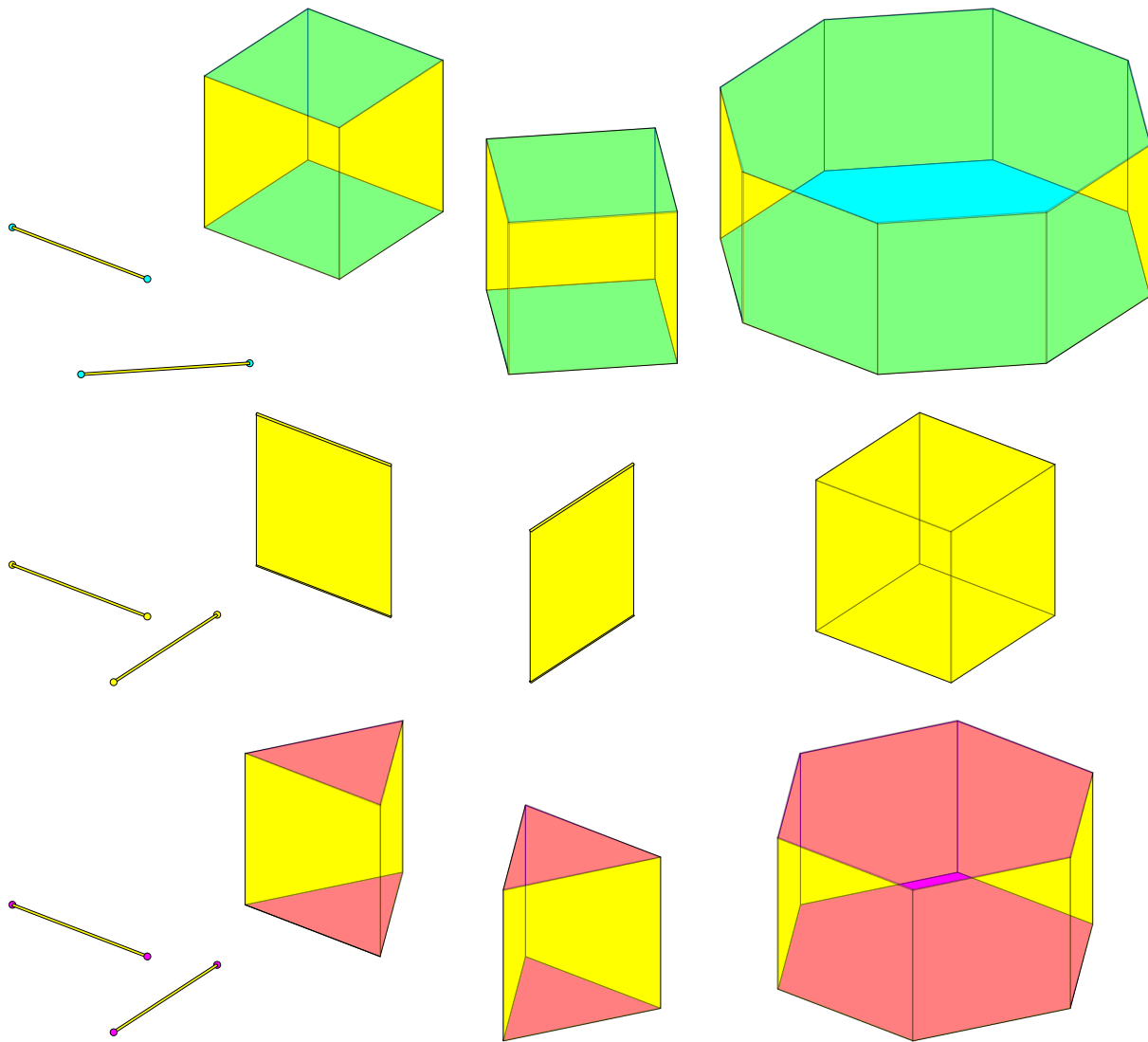
Figure 8: Radii of the Class II *PPs* according to the cubic & rhombic schema & separation of faces.

To illustrate the integrity of this system, the *TO – GR* interlayer, at top left of Fig. 13 (front view of the cubic schema), consists of  $4f$   $\beta$ -*TFMs* on the  $-ve$  axes,  $2f$   $\alpha$ -*TFMs* (gables) on the ntrl axis, and  $6f$  2-*PRSs* on the  $+ve$  (*SoF*) axis as in Fig. 15 (view of the schema from below); Fig. 8 above shows that these are of height  $1/2$ ,  $\sqrt{2}/2$ , and  $\sqrt{3}/2$ , respectively, all with inclined edge length of  $\sqrt{3}/2$ , unit base edge length, and for *TFM*, unit top edge length. So the various geometries are practical to work with. To clarify, for any given interlayer of the 12 possibilities, the web lengths are equal, and derivable from whether this represents a  $-ve$ , ntrl, or  $+ve$  *SoF*; the heights of the three kind of elements in general differ by gender of axis of the interlayer structure, and can be obtained from Fig. 8; and the geometry of the element is thus determined.

The generic configuration of the core–shell structure is thus characterized by just three kinds of polytopes (Fig. 9) that occupy the interlayer spaces between concentric *PPs*: the (0,  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ , or 2) prism (*PRS*) generated by the separating set of faces by gender of  $-ve$ , ntrl, or  $+ve$ ; the ( $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ ) pyramid (*PYR*) between *VT* apex and  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  base face; and the ( $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ ) truncated frustum of pyramid, the Truncated Pyramidal Frustum (*TFM*; the ‘second’ truncation occurring after the first truncation of the pyramid to form the frustum, Fig. 10), where the smaller base is the  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  face of the inner *PP*, the larger base is the  $2f$  face of the outer *PP*, the frequency of the *TFM* is characterized as the corresponding  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  (the frequency of the original *PYR* before first or second truncation, which equals the frequency of the *TFM* top=smaller base), and the side walls of the *TFM* are alternating isosceles triangles and rectangles. Within the interlayer, the rectangular face of the *TFM* is also the side face of the corresponding adjacent prism, while the isosceles triangle of the *TFM* is also the side face of the corresponding adjacent pyramid. Each *PRS*, *PYR*, and *TFM* radiates from the core along a main symmetry axis of the concentric *PPs*, its main axis being colinear with the symmetry axis. The 0:*PRS* is a radial edge, a spike from  $VP=VT$  to *VT*, so may be regarded as the prismatic development of the 1-gon *VT*, *PRS*<sub>1</sub>. The edge prism, *PRS*<sub>2</sub>, is a radial rectangle, as the prismatic development of the 2-gon edge of the  $d=0$  *NE* of the inner *PT* to the  $d=1$  *NE* of the outer *PT*. The 2-gon pyramid, *PYR*<sub>2</sub>, is an isosceles triangle from apex *NV* to base *NE*.

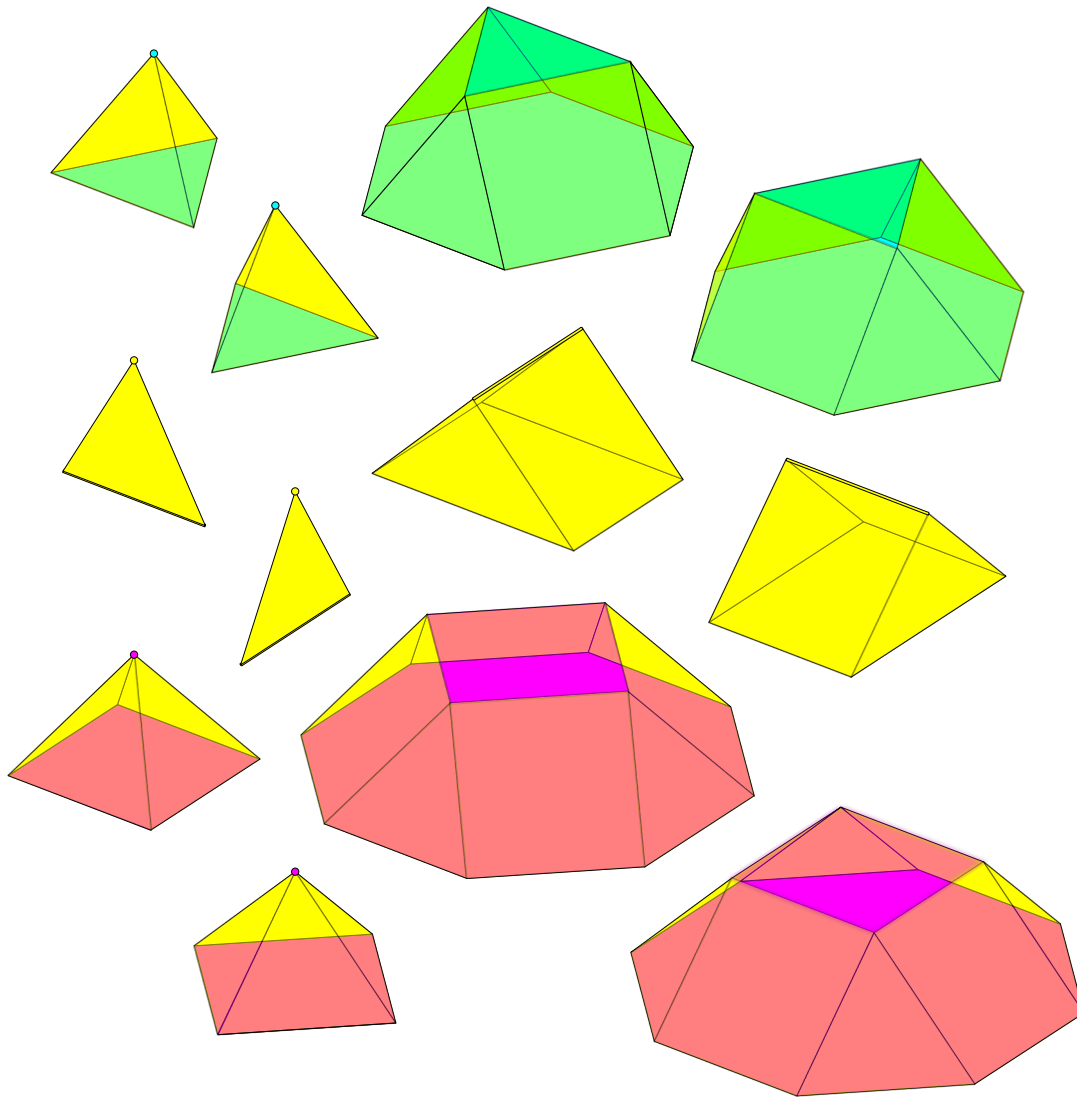
The core–multi-shell configurations are then simply built up by combining sheaths of the different core–shell structures, according to the zonahedral cubic schema and the strands of the triangular helical progressions abstracted in Fig. 5. Each interlayer of the core–multi-shell is accordingly differentiated into *PRS*, *PYR*, and *TFM* elements, and these combine to fill the interlayer space. By proceeding from the cubic schema, the geometry is consistently harmonic, and facile to work with, once the general principles are understood.

Kindly note that my approach is that of an experimental geometer and independent scholar. I have been unable to determine whether these forms have been previously discovered and reported according to any comparable schema, but this work is essentially the result of independent investigation of the polyhedral forms in themselves, whether as isolated forms, familial members, or periodic arrays of the honeycombs; not in what others have reported. This is original and ongoing work, and continually being refined. The combination of the rhombic schema, cubic schema, inclusion of the *VP*, consideration of principal faces, and recognition of the consistency of behavior across classes of different symmetry provides a highly accessible and imaginable framework for the spatial designer to compose geometric configurations that may be realized as real structure, as well as providing a suitable context for further research.



**Figure 9A:** Class II interlayer web elements for the *neutral* separation of faces, in which all edges are of unit length. Top strata: Negative elements; middle strata: neutral elements; bottom strata: positive elements. Prisms. Columns 1 & 2: 0-dimensional  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  PRSs. Cols. 3 & 4:  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  PRSs, respectively; neutral is edge PRS. Col. 5: 2-frequency PRSs.

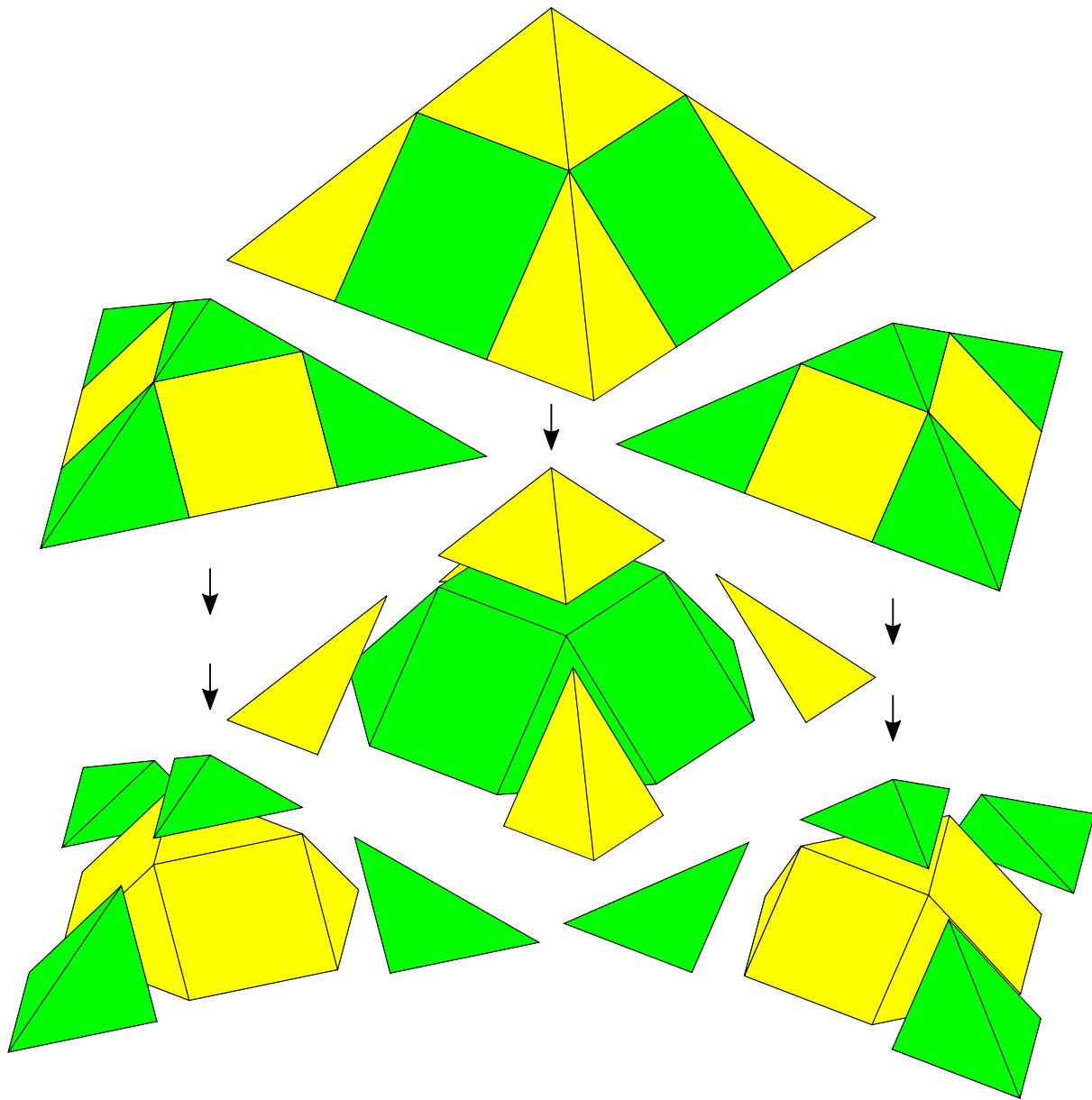
In the first interlayer from  $VP$  to  $PL^-$ ,  $QR$ , or  $PL^+$ , the separating  $-ve$ ,  $ntrl$ , or  $+ve$  VTs (only one set per case) form  $0-PRS_1$ s from adjoining  $d=0$  to adjacent  $d=1$  configuration, so form a cluster of virtual spikes from the center (like spicules). Adjacent radials/ $PRS_1$ s may also form the pair of equal length edges of the radial 2-gon (flat)  $PYR_2$ . Those isosceles triangles also form the faces of the other kind of pyramid.



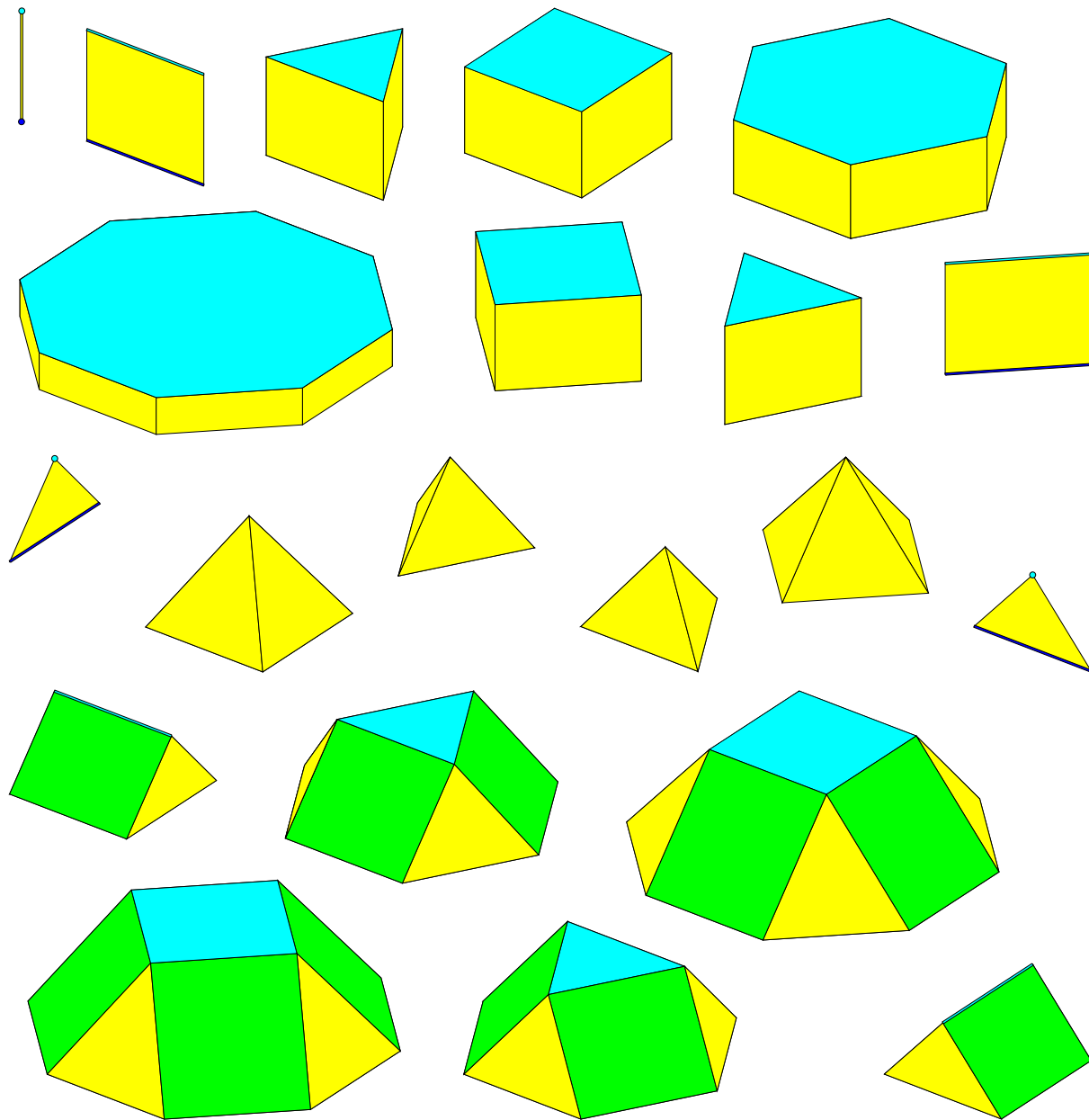
**Figure 9B:** *PYRs* and *TFMs*. Cols. 1 & 2:  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  *PYRs*, respectively; neutrals are 2-gon edge *PYRs*. Cols. 3 & 4:  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  *TFMs*, respectively. Top *VT*, *EG*, or *PG* is of inner *PP*; Base *VT*, *EG*, or *PG* is of outer *PP*. Furthermore, the interlayer webs for the  $-ve$ , ntrl, and  $+ve$  separation of faces each have  $-ve$ , ntrl, and  $+ve$  elements. For the  $-ve$  separation of faces, both the axial edges of *PRS* and the inclined edges of *PYR* and *TFM* are  $\sqrt{2}/2$ ; for the  $+ve$  separation of faces, they are  $\sqrt{3}/2$ . In all cases, the base edge lengths, and for the *TFM*s, the top edge lengths, are of unit length, as facial *PT*s of the inner or outer *PP*s characterizing the specific core–shell or shell–shell interlayer.

Adjacent pairs of  $V_1^0$ s on the *QR* form the edges of the base triangles and squares of the component  $+ve$  and  $-ve$  radial  $\beta$  *PYRs*, respectively of the interlayer. In the  $VP-PL^-$  interlayer,  $V_0^+$ s project to form  $PRS_1$  spikes;  $V_0^-$ s project to form  $PYR_4$ s; and  $V_0^0$ s project to form flat isosceles triangular  $\beta$ - $PYR_2$ s. In the  $VP-PL^+$  interlayer,  $V_0^-$ s project to form  $PRS_1$  spikes;  $V_0^+$ s project to form  $PYR_3$ s; and  $V_0^0$ s project to form flat isosceles triangular  $\alpha$ - $PYR_2$ s. In the three interlayer cases  $VP-PL^-$ ,  $VP-QR$ , and  $VP-PL^+$ , the  $+ve$ , ntrl, and  $-ve$  *VT*s project to  $PRS_1^+$  spikes,  $PRS_1^0$ s, and  $PRS_1^-$ s, around which 0- $PYR^0$ s and  $\alpha$ - $PYR^-$ s,  $\beta$ - $PYR^-$ s and  $\beta$ - $PYR^+$ s, and  $\alpha$ - $PYR^+$ s and 0- $PYR^0$ s cluster, respectively.

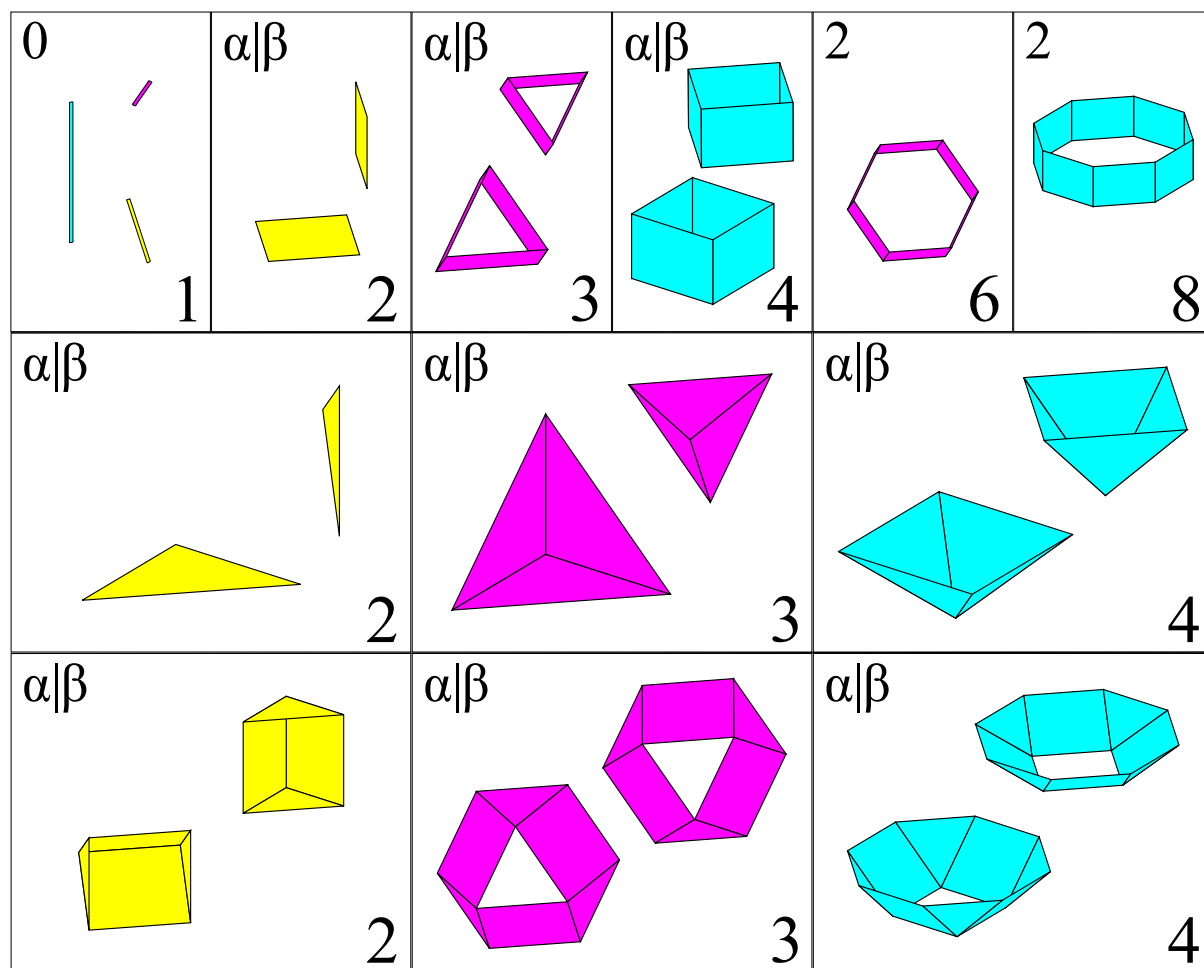




**Figure 10.** Schematic of the truncations of the parent  $3f \alpha$ - &  $\beta$ -PYR to gain  $3f \alpha$ - &  $\beta$ -TFM, and  $4f \alpha$ -PYR to gain  $4f \alpha$ -TFM:  $TR:HX$  for left,  $\alpha$ ; right,  $\beta$   $TR$  upper base, and center,  $SQ:OG$  for  $SQ$  upper base. A similar process applies for Class II ntrl  $2f$ , +ve  $3f$ , and -ve  $4f$  faces; also in Class I & III. In all cases,  $TFM$  sidewalls alternate rectangles ( $RG$ ) and isosceles triangular ( $TR$ ) faces between inner  $\alpha|\beta$  and outer  $2\alpha|2\beta$  faces of the rhombic schema (vertical dimension indicative only).

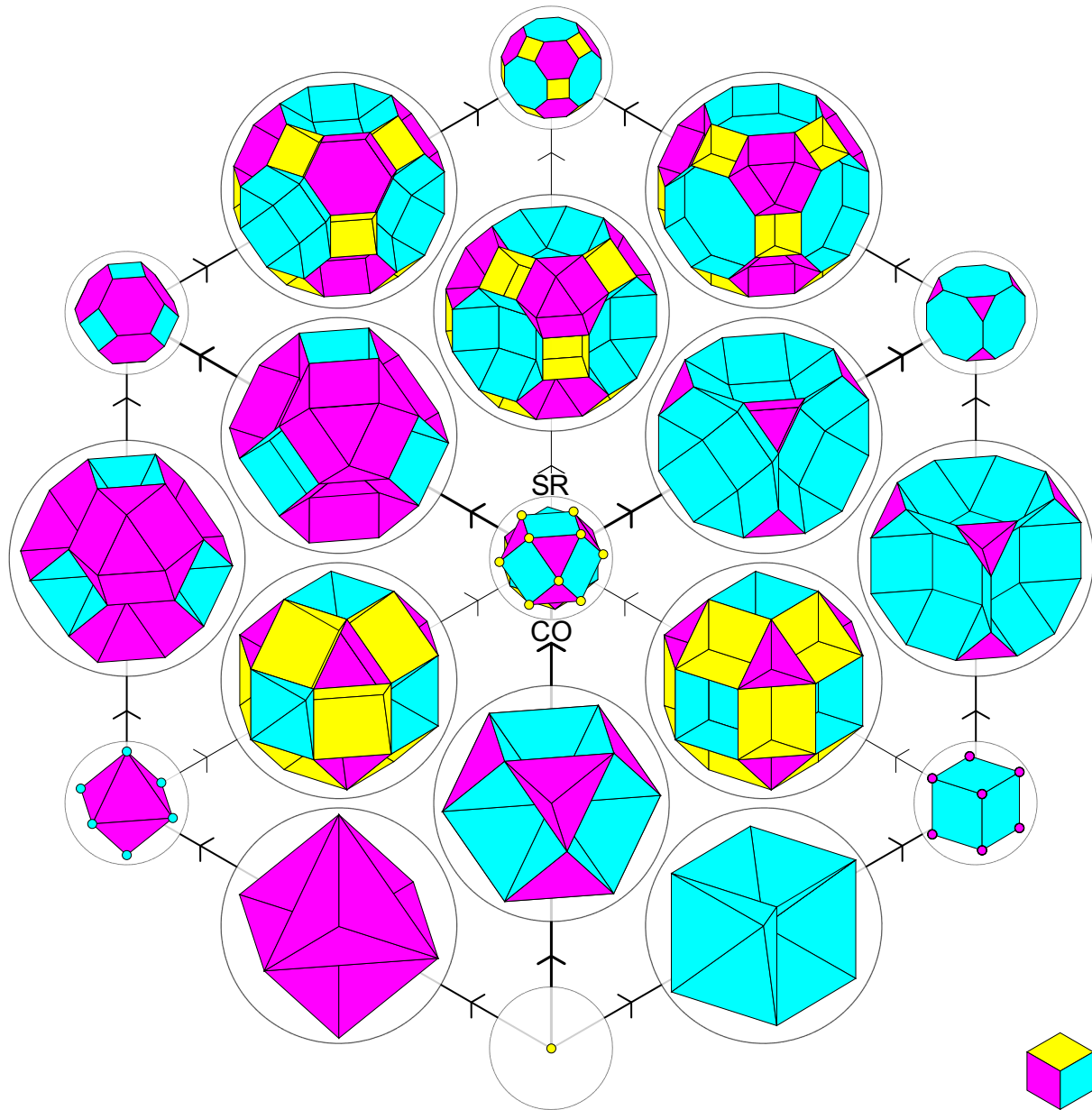


**Figure 11.** Class II library. Top, Prisms ( $PRS$ s): Upper,  $PRS_1^0$ ,  $PRS_2^\alpha$ ,  $PRS_3^\alpha$ ,  $PRS_4^\alpha$ ,  $PRS_6^2$ ; lower:  $PRS_8^2$ ;  $PRS_4^\beta$ ,  $PRS_3^\beta$ ,  $PRS_2^\beta$ . Middle, Pyramids ( $PYR$ s): Upper,  $PYR_2^\alpha$ ,  $PYR_3^\alpha$ ,  $PYR_4^\alpha$ ; Lower,  $PYR_4^\beta$ ,  $PYR_3^\beta$ ,  $PYR_2^\beta$ . Bottom, Truncated Pyramidal Frusta ( $TFM$ s; cupola): Upper,  $TFM_2^\alpha$ ,  $TFM_3^\alpha$ ,  $TFM_4^\alpha$ ; lower:  $TFM_8^2$ ;  $TFM_4^\beta$ ,  $TFM_3^\beta$ . Top (cyan) is of inner  $PT$ ; outer base of  $PRS_2^{\alpha|\beta}$  &  $PYR_2^{\alpha|\beta}$  is shown as dark blue. Vertical dimension indicative only; height of element varies by schema axis, as in Fig. 8.

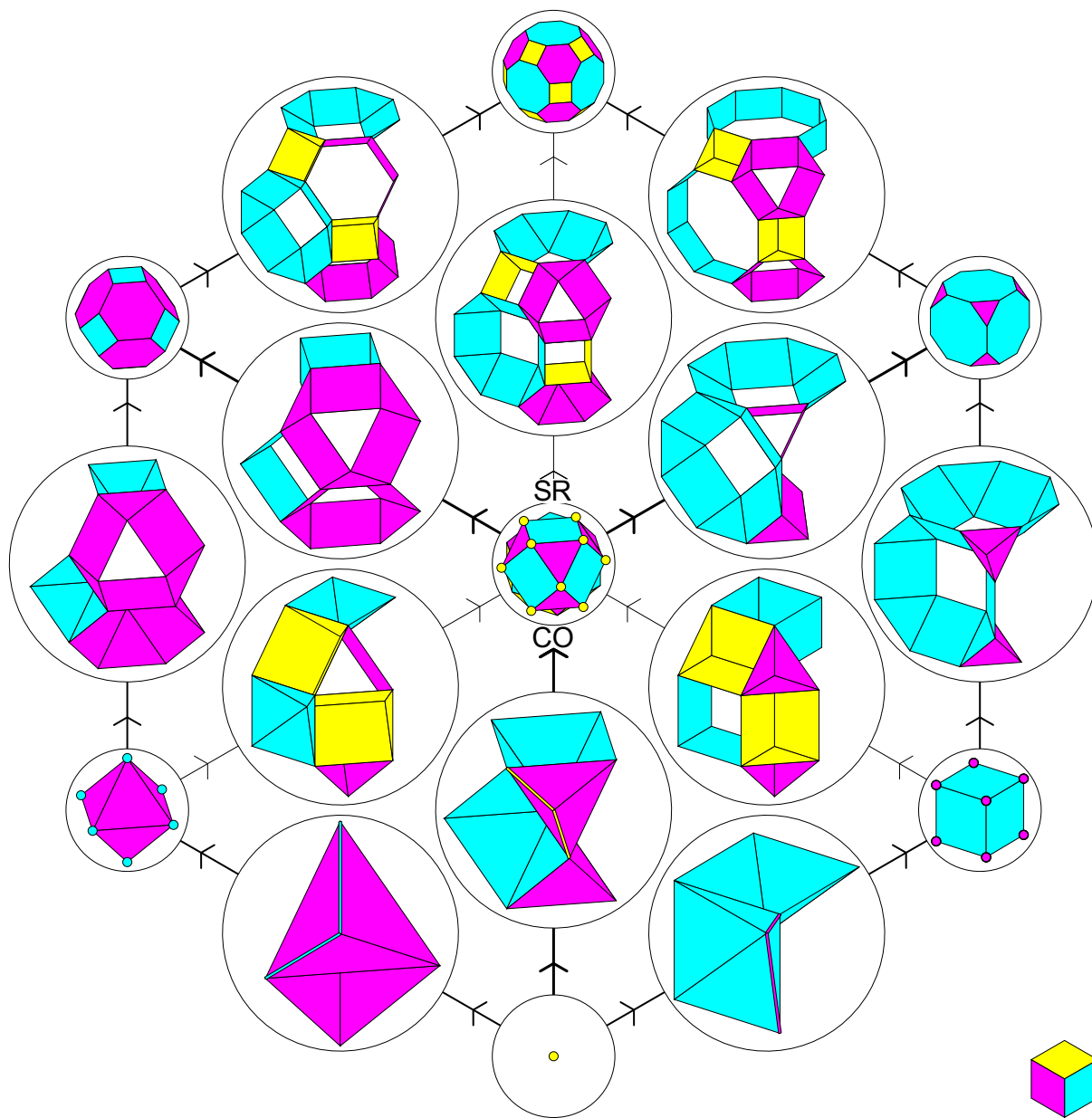


**Figure 12:** Class II *PRS*, *PYR*, and *TFM* interlayer components. Top, *PRS*; middle, *PYR*; bottom, *TFM*. *PRS*<sub>1</sub> represents *VP:VP*; *PRS*<sub>2</sub> is *EG:EG* ( $d=0$  to  $1$ ). *PYR* apex is inner facial *VT*; base is face of outer shell; *PYR*<sub>2</sub> is *NV:NE*. *TFM* small base is face of inner shell, large base is of outer shell; *TFM*<sub>2</sub> (gable) is ntrl *NE:NS*. Upper left text indicates whether characteristic base is 0,  $\alpha|\beta$ , or 2 frequency face, by the author's rhombic schema of faces (Fig. 1) [4]; lower right shows frequency = symmetry, where *TFM*  $f$  is top base = face of inner shell (Figs. 13 & 14). Cyan, -ve; yellow, ntrl; magenta, +ve.

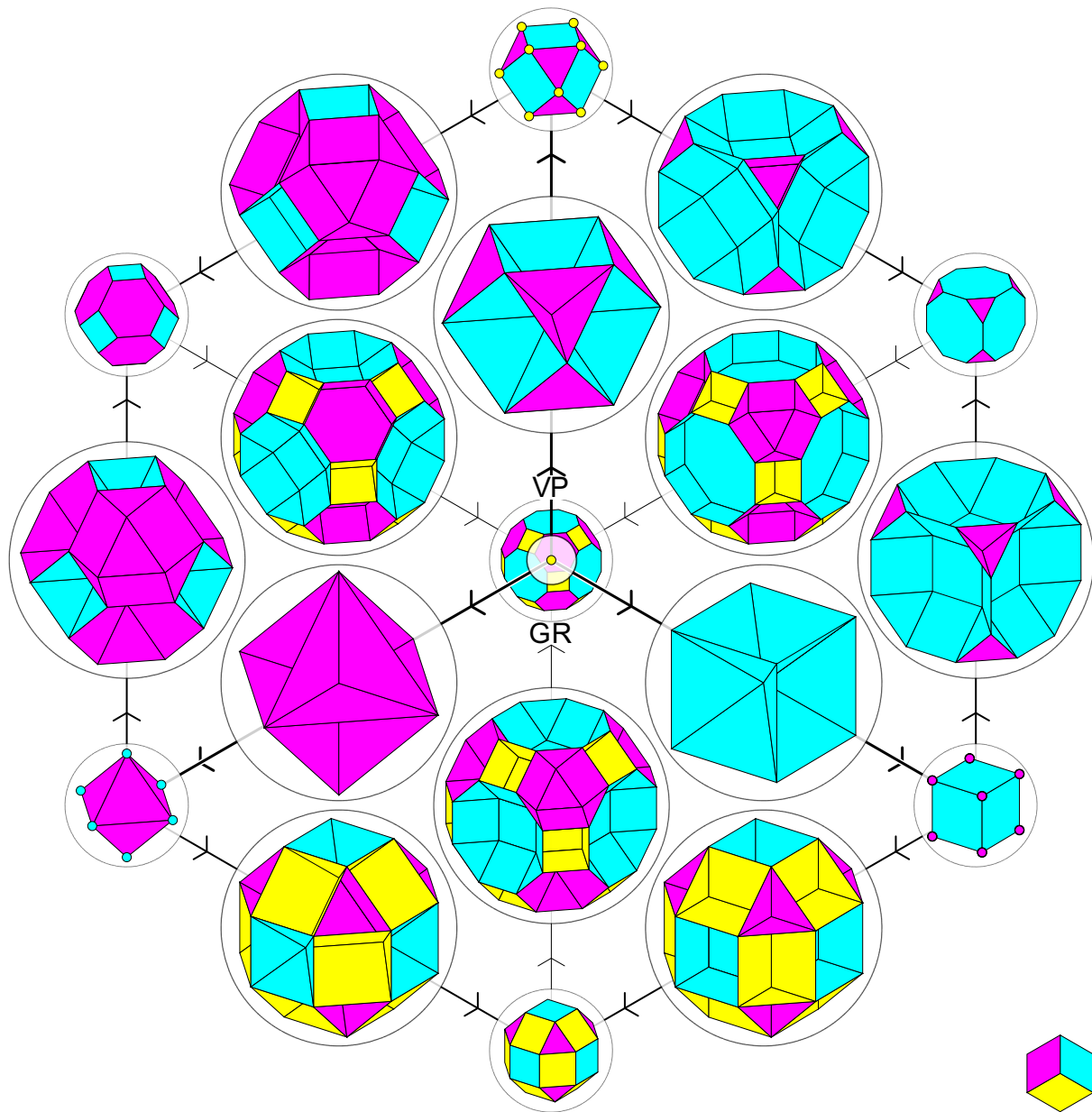
Figure 13 shows the front horizontal view of the cubic schema, situating the large 12 core-shell configurations at the mid-edges between the corresponding pair of small inner and outer PPs. The bilateral symmetry of complements becomes apparent about the vertical axis of the figure, e.g., of +ve/-ve & -ve/+ve *PYR*; +ve/-ve & -ve/+ve *PRS*; +ve/-ve & -ve/+ve  $\alpha$ - or  $\beta$ -*TFM*; and ntrl 2-*PYR* (*TR*), 2-*PRS*, 2-*TFM*; as well as the  $d=0$  to  $d=1$  separations on 3 axes of cells.



**Figure 13A:** Class II horizontal ‘front’ view 2.5D schema of interlayer components between inner and outer *PPs*, with *CO* (nearest) and *SR* (furthest, obscured) at center; *GR* at top of figure, *VP* at bottom. Note the bilateral ‘symmetry’ of complements about the vertical axis *GR–VP* of ntrl elements of two kinds or orientation, in this paper where the neutral elements are denoted  $\alpha\beta$ ,  $\alpha$  being the case for the *OH/TO*,  $\beta$  for the *CB/TC* (while for the  $-ve$  &  $+ve$  elements,  $\alpha$  is given by the case for the *OH/CB*, while  $\beta$  is given by the case for the *CO*). Also, the complementary *PRS* & *PYR* and *vice versa* (bottom rhomb); *PYR* & *TFM* horizontal and *PYR:PYR* & *TFM:TFM* vertical (middle rhomb); and *PRS* & *TFM* and *vice versa* (top rhomb); hence the subtlety of the 2.5D schema that can visualize from the horizontal ‘front’ the 2-fold, and in Fig. 14, the view from below of 3-fold complementary symmetry, as well as 3D morphology.



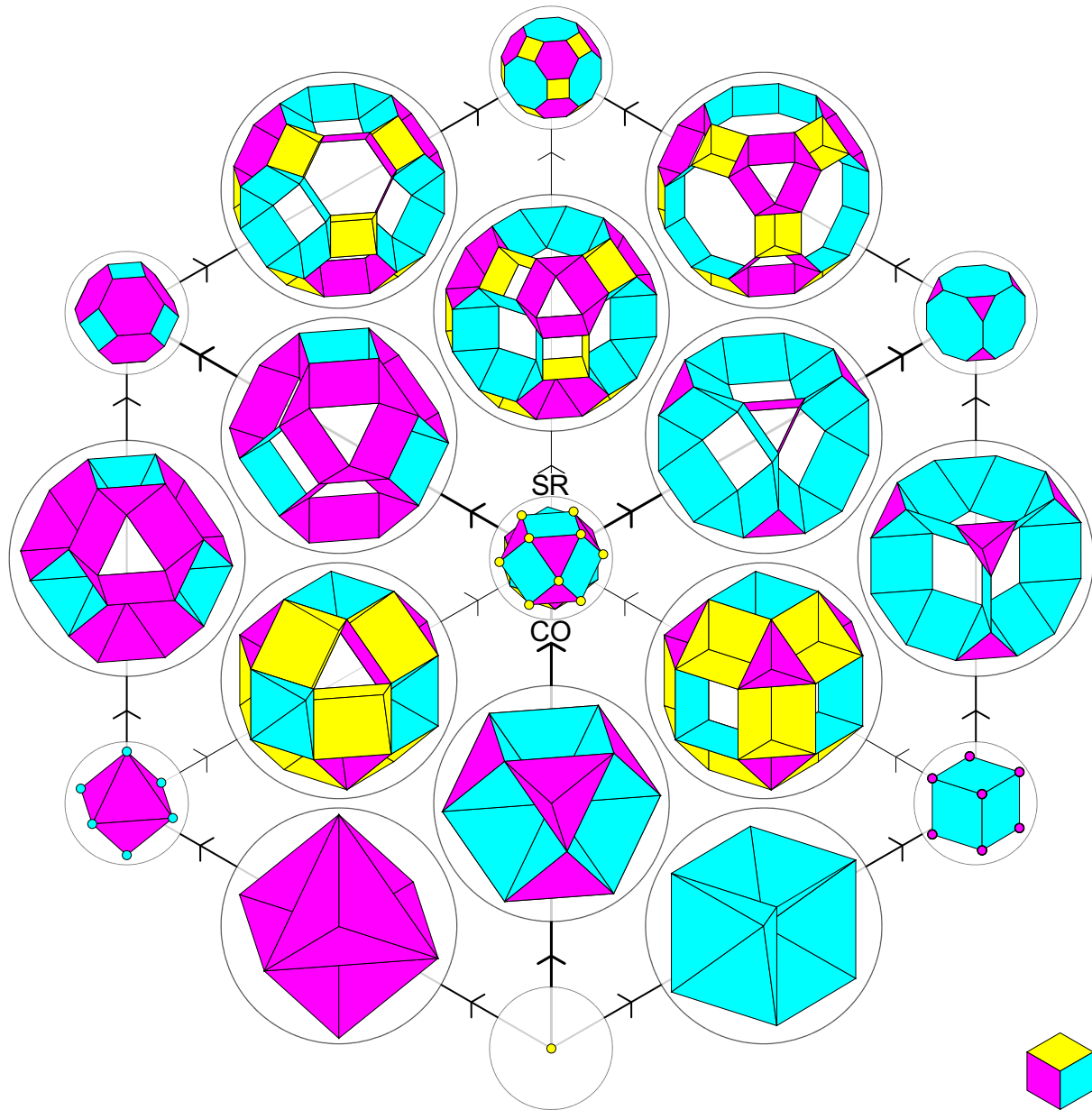
**Figure 13B.** Partial formation of the Class II horizontal ‘front’ view 2.5D schema of interlayer components between inner and outer *PPs*. Here, two each of the -ve, ntrl, & +ve elements are shown. In some cases, radial elements are shown as rods; in some other cases, faces of one gender are obscured by faces of another.



**Figure 14.** Left: Class II view from below of the cubic schema of interlayer *PT*s between *PP*s, with *VP* (nearest) & *GR* (furthest) at center; cube seems inverted. Outward radial transformations start from *VP*; inward radial transformations culminate in *GR*. All interlayer *PT*s are radial, coaxial *PRS*, *PYR*, or *TFM*, fill the interlayer space; again, note the overall 2- & 3-fold complementary symmetry.

Figures 14 and 15 show the view from below, with *VP* (nearest) and *GR* (furthest) at center, while Fig. 15 shows how the *PP*s progress through the various strands of development of the relevant transformation/ triangular helix (see Fig. 5).





**Figure 16.** Class II horizontal ‘front’ view of cubic schema of interlayer components between core and shell, without inner core *PP*, with *CO* (nearest) and *SR* (furthest) at center. These might be treated as *linee occulte*, and used to configure molecular engineering, nanostructure architecture, or dynamic structure for architecture, space structures, deployable structures etc.





#### 4. CONCLUSION

In this paper, I develop the 2.5D cubic schema of polyhedra and the rhombic schema of faces that I have previously advanced to recognize potential core–shell and core–multi-shell configurations of potential relevance to nanoarchitecture, whereby the choice of consecutive *PPs* delineating the order is constrained by the separation of faces to be *PPs* that share an edge of the 2.5D cubic schema. These are located concentrically, with coaxial symmetry axes and common edge length. The interlayer space is then regularly divided into all-space filling radial prisms, pyramids, and truncated pyramidal frusta (cupolae), which are described for Class II of {2,3,4} symmetry. The inradii of the *PPs* show constant increases according to schema axis, which greatly facilitate geometric analysis and composition. The principles apply also to Class I of {2,3,3} and Class III of {2,3,5} symmetry of the polyhedra; it is anticipated to extend the treatment to include Classes IV and V of the polygonal tessellations. Core–multi-shell configurations are also developed, the core–shell configurations being simply subsets of these. The regularity and harmonic order of these configurations is guaranteed by, and further validates the cubic schema of polyhedra, and the rhombic schema of faces previously advanced. These are based on the order of space that I have evolved as an experimental geometer, whereby only certain elements of the polyhedra are regarded as principal, being those that are normal to the symmetry axes. Principal faces may meaningfully consist of 0D vertices or 1D edges, as well as 2D polygons. The order recognizes a key virtual 0D Vertical Polytope (*VP*) as one of the eight Primary Polyhedra (*PPs*) of each class. The separation of faces seems key to understanding the morphology, and in a sense, cosmogony, of the polyhedra. These various core–shell and core–multi-shell configurations and their harmonic interrelationship might find use as *linee occulte* in composing various spatial configurations and their dynamic transformations in a variety of fields, which include molecular engineering, nanoarchitecture, biochemistry, biomedical scaffolds, metamaterials, deployable space structures, and in gaining a deeper appreciation of the extraordinary harmonic potential of empirical space.

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**Nomenclature:** \*, colored ● Class I 3D:  $OH^*$  = tetra-tetrahedron ( $TR:TR$ );  $CO^*$  =  $SR TR:TR$ ;  $TO^*$  =  $GR TR:TR$  ● Class II 3D:  $OH$ , octahedron;  $CO$ , cuboctahedron;  $CB$ , cube;  $TO$ , truncated octahedron;  $SRCO$ , small rhombic cuboctahedron;  $TC$ , truncated cube;  $GRCO$ , great rhombic cuboctahedron ● Class III 2D:  $DG$ , decagon (10-gon);  $PN$ , pentagon;  $RP$ , rotated pentagon ○ Class III 3D:  $DC$ , dodecahedron;  $GIRD$ , great rhombic icosidodecahedron;  $IC$ , icosahedron;  $ID$ , icosidodecahedron;  $SRID$ , small rhombic icosidodecahedron;  $TD$ , truncated (trunc.) dodecahedron;  $TI$ , trunc. icosahedron ● Class IV 2D: Component arrays:  $vt$ , vertical;  $tr$ , triangular;  $hx$ , hexagonal;  $rt$ , rotated (trunc.) triangular;  $rx$ , rotated (trunc.) hexagonal;  $2t$ , 2f triangular (hexagonal);  $2x$ , 2f hexagonal (dodecagonal) ○ Combined arrays (+ve:–ve):  $vt:vt$ , vertical:vertical;  $tr:vt$ , triangular:vertical;  $vt:hx$ , vertical:hexagonal;  $rt:rx$ , rotated (trunc.) triangular:rotated hexagonal;  $2t:rx$ , hexagonal (2f triangular):rotated (trunc.) hexagonal;  $rt:2x$ , rotated (trunc.) triangular:2f hexagonal (dodecagonal);  $tr:hx = SR tr:hx$ , triangular:hexagonal;  $2t:2x$ , 2f triangular:2f hexagonal (hexagonal: dodecagonal) ● Class V 2D Component arrays:  $vt$ , vertical;  $sq$ , square;  $ns$ , neutral square;  $rs$ , rotated (trunc.) square;  $2s$ , 2f square (octagonal). ○ Combined arrays (+ve:–ve):  $vt:vt$ , vertical:vertical;  $sq:vt$ , square:vertical;  $vt:sq$ , vertical:square;  $rs:rs$ , rotated (trunc.) square:rotated (trunc.) square;  $2s:rs$ , octagonal (2f square):rotated (trunc.) square;  $rs:2s$ , rotated (trunc.) square:2f square (octagonal);  $sq:sq = SR sq:sq$ , square:square;  $2s:2s = GR sq:sq$ , 2f square:2f square =  $OG:OG$  ● Generic: –ve, negative; ntrl, neutral; +ve, positive;  $V$ ,  $VT$ , vertex;  $VP$ , vertical polytope;  $NV$ , neutral vertex;  $E$ ,  $EG$ , edge;  $NE$ , neutral edge;  $F$ , face;  $PG$ , polygon;  $PT$ , polytope;  $NS$ , neutral square;  $PRS$ , prism;  $PYR$ , pyramid;  $SoF$ , separation of faces;  $TFM$ , truncated pyramidal frustum (cupola) ■



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