

# Chapter 11

## Diamond $D_5$ , a Novel Class of Carbon Allotropes

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**Abstract** Design of hypothetical crystal networks, consisting of most pentagon rings and generically called diamond  $D_5$ , is presented. It is shown that the seed and repeat-units, as hydrogenated species, show good stability, compared with that of  $C_{60}$  fullerene, as calculated at DFT levels of theory. The topology of the network is described in terms of the net parameters and Omega polynomial.

### 11.1 Introduction

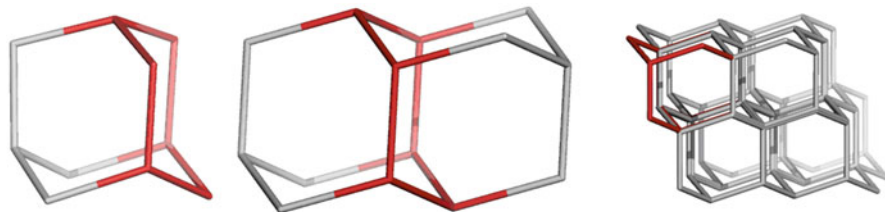
The nano-era, a period starting since 1985 with the discovery of  $C_{60}$ , is dominated by the carbon allotropes, studied for applications in nano-technology. Among the carbon structures, fullerenes (zero-dimensional), nanotubes (one dimensional), graphene (two dimensional), diamond and spongy nanostructures (three dimensional) were the most studied (Diudea 2005; Diudea and Nagy 2007). Inorganic compounds also attracted the attention of scientists. Recent articles in crystallography promoted the idea of topological description and classification of crystal structures (Blatov et al. 2004, 2009; Delgado-Friedrichs and O’Keeffe 2005).

Diamond  $D_6$  (Fig. 11.1), the classical, beautiful and useful diamond has kept its leading interest among the carbon allotropes, even as the newer “nano” varieties. Along with electronic properties, the mechanical characteristics appear of great

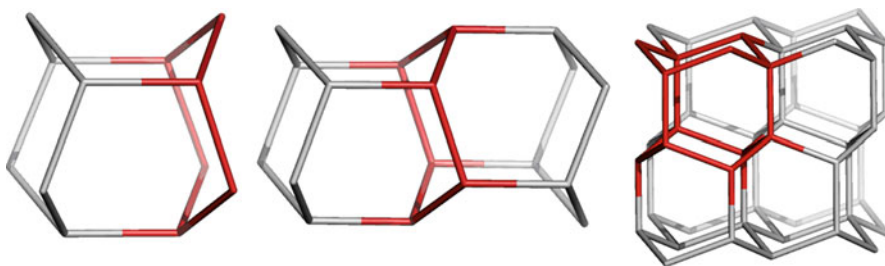
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**Fig. 11.1** Diamond, a triple periodic network: Ada(mantane)  $D_6_{10_{111}}$  (left), Dia(mantane)  $D_6_{14_{211}}$  (central) and Diamond  $D_6_{52_{222}}$  net (right)



**Fig. 11.2** Losdaleite, a double periodic network:  $L_6_{12_{111}}$  (left),  $L_6_{18_{211}}$  (central) and  $L_6_{48_{222}}$  net (right)

importance, as the composites can overpass the resistance of steel or other metal alloys. A lot of efforts were done in the production and purification of “synthetic” diamonds, from detonation products (Decarli and Jamieson 1961; Aleksenskiĭ et al. 1997; Osawa 2007, 2008) and other synthetic ways (Khachatryan et al. 2008; Mochalin and Gogotsi 2009).

However, the diamond  $D_6$  is not unique: out of the classical structure, showing all-hexagonal rings of  $sp^3$  carbon atoms in a cubic network (space group  $Fd\bar{3}m$ ), there is Lonsdaleite (Fron del and Marvin 1967; He et al. 2002) a rare stone of pure carbon discovered at Meteor Crater, Arizona, in 1967 and also several hypothetical diamond-like networks (Sunada 2008; Diudea et al. 2010). The Lonsdaleite hexagonal network (space group  $P6_3/mmc$ ) is illustrated in Fig. 11.2.

Dendrimers are hyper-branched nano-structures, made by a large number of (one or more types) substructures called monomers, synthetically joined within a rigorously tailored architecture (Tomalia et al. 1990; Newkome et al. 2001; Diudea and Katona 1999). They can be functionalized at terminal branches, thus finding a broad pallet of applications in chemistry, medicine, etc.

Multi-tori MT are structures of high genera (Diudea 2010a), consisting of more than one tubular ring. They are supposed to result by self-assembly of some repeat units (i.e., monomers) which can be designed by opening of cages/fullerenes or by appropriate map/net operations. Multi-tori, rather than dendrimers, appear in processes of self-assembling of some rigid monomers. Zeloites and spongy carbon, recently synthesized (Barborini et al. 2002; Benedek et al. 2003) also contain multi-tori.

Structures of high genera, like multi-tori, can be designed starting from the Platonic solids, by using appropriate map operations (Diudea 2010a). Such structures have before been modeled by Lenosky et al. (1992) and Terrones and Mackay (1997) etc.

## 11.2 Dendrimer Design and Stability

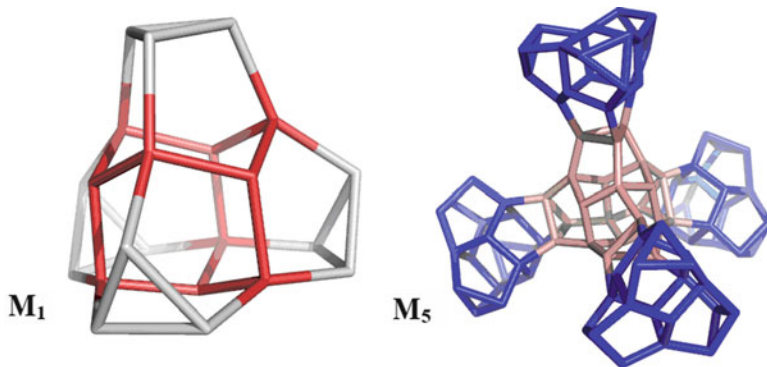
A tetrapodal monomer  $M_1$  (Fig. 11.3, *left*), designed by  $Trs(P_4(T))$  sequence of map operations (Diudea and Ilić 2011) and consisting of all pentagonal faces, can self-arrange to a dendrimer  $M_5$ , at the first generation stage (Fig. 11.3, *right*).

The “growing process” is imagined occurring by identification of the trigonal faces of two opposite  $M_1$  units; at the second generation, six pentagonal hyper-cycles are closed, as in molecule  $M_{17}$ , Fig. 11.4 (Diudea and Ilić 2011).

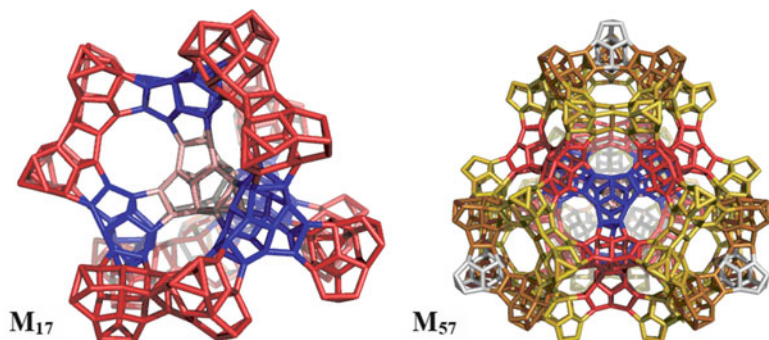
The process is drawn as a “dendrimer growth”, and is limited here at the fifth generation (Fig. 11.4), when a tetrahedral array results:  $4S\_MT = M_{57}$ .

Multi-tori herein considered can be viewed either as infinite (*i.e.*, open) structures or as closed cages; then, it is not trivial to count the number of simple tori (*i.e.*, the genus  $g$ ) in such complex structures.

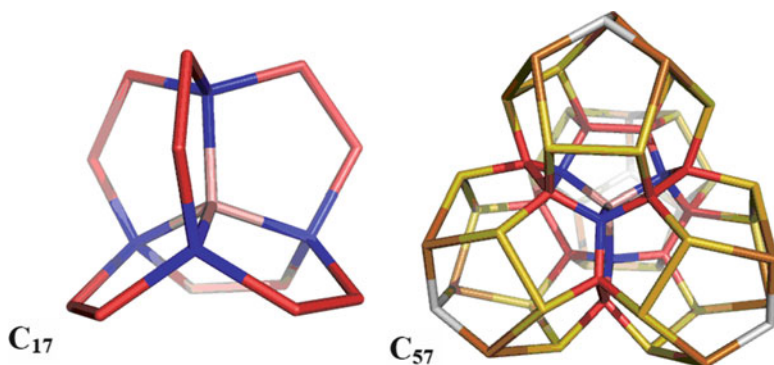
The Euler’s formula [Euler (1758)]:  $v - e + f = 2(1 - g)$ , where  $v$ ,  $e$  and  $f$  are the number of vertices/atoms, edges/bonds, and faces, respectively, is applicable only in case of single shell structures. In multi shell structures (Diudea and Nagy 2008), have modified the Euler formula as:  $v - e + r - p(s - 1) = 2(1 - g)$ , where  $r$  stands for the number of hard rings (*i.e.*, those rings which are nor the sum of some smaller rings),  $p$  is the number of smallest polyhedra filling the space of the considered structure while  $s$  is the number of shells. In case of an infinite structure, the external trigonal faces are not added to the total count of faces/rings. The calculated  $g$ -values are given in Fig. 11.4.



**Fig. 11.3** Tetrapodal unit designed by  $Trs(P_4(T))$  and the corresponding dendrimer, at first generation stage



**Fig. 11.4** Dendrimer at second (*left*) and fifth (*right*) generation stage;  $M_{57} = 4S\_MT$ ;  $v = 972$ ;  $e = 1770$ ;  $f_5 = 684$ ;  $g = 58$  (infinite structure); adding  $f_3 = 40$ , then  $g = 38$  (finite structure)



**Fig. 11.5** Reduced graphs at 2nd (*left*) and 5th (*right*) generation stage;  $C_{57}$ :  $v = 57$ ;  $e = 94$ ;  $r_5 = 42$ ;  $g = 0.5$ ;  $R(C_{57}, x) = 42x^5 + 82x^9 + 144x^{10}$

The number of tetrapodal monomers, added at each generation, up to the fifth one, realized as  $M_{57}$ , is: 1; 4; 12; 24; 12; 4. The connections in  $M_{57}$  are complex and to elucidate the large structures up to the fifth generation, the design of the corresponding reduced graphs (Fig. 11.5) was needed (Diudea 2010b, 2011).

The structure  $C_{17}$  (Fig. 11.5, *left*) we call the “seed” of all the hereafter structures. The structure  $C_{57}$  (Fig. 11.5, *right*) corresponds to the above  $M_{57}$  and is equivalent to 4 “condensed” dodecahedra, sharing a common point. By considering this common point as an internal shell  $s$ , the modified (Diudea and Nagy 2008) Euler formula will give (for  $v = 57$ ;  $e = 94$ ;  $r = 42$ ;  $p = 4$  and  $s = 2$ ) a (non-integer) genus  $g = 0.5$ . The ring polynomial  $R(x)$  is also given, at the *bottom* of Fig. 11.5.

## 11.3 Diamond $D_5$ Networks

### 11.3.1 *Spongy $D_5$*

A monomer  $C_{81}$ , derived from  $C_{57}$  and consisting of four closed  $C_{20}$  units and four open units, and its mirror image (Fig. 11.6) was used by (Diudea and Nagy 2011a) to build the alternant network of spongy diamond  $SD_5$  (Fig. 11.7). The nodes of diamond  $SD_5$  network consist of  $C_{57}$  units and the network is triple periodic.

The number of atoms  $v$ , bonds  $e$ , and  $C_{57}$  monomers  $m$ , and the content in  $sp^3$  carbon, given as a function of  $k$  – the number of monomers along the edge of a cubic  $(k,k,k)$  domain. At limit, in an infinitely large net, the content of  $sp^3$  carbon approaches 77% (see Appendix 2, Table 11.4). The density of the net varies around an average of  $d = 1.6 \text{ g/cm}^3$ , in agreement with the “spongy” structure of  $D_5$  net (Fig. 11.7).

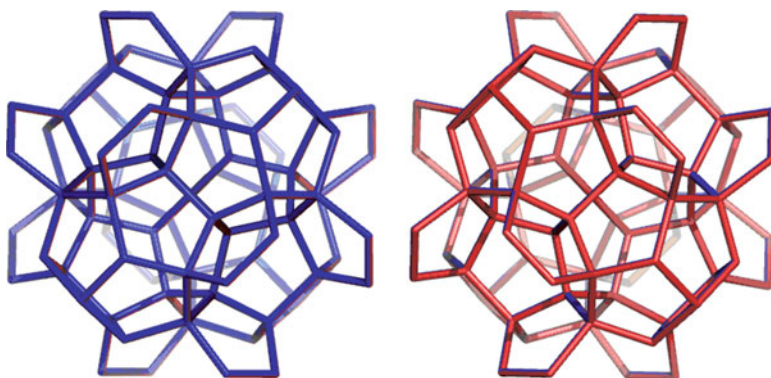


Fig. 11.6 Monomer  $C_{81}$  unit (*left-up*), and its mirror image-pair (*right-up*); the monomers as in the triple periodic network of diamond  $SD_5$

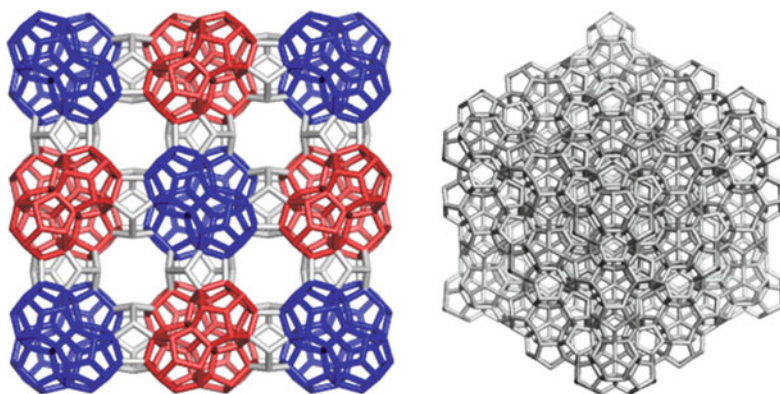


Fig. 11.7  $SD_5$  ( $C_{57}$ ) triple periodic network: top view (*left*) and corner view (*right*)

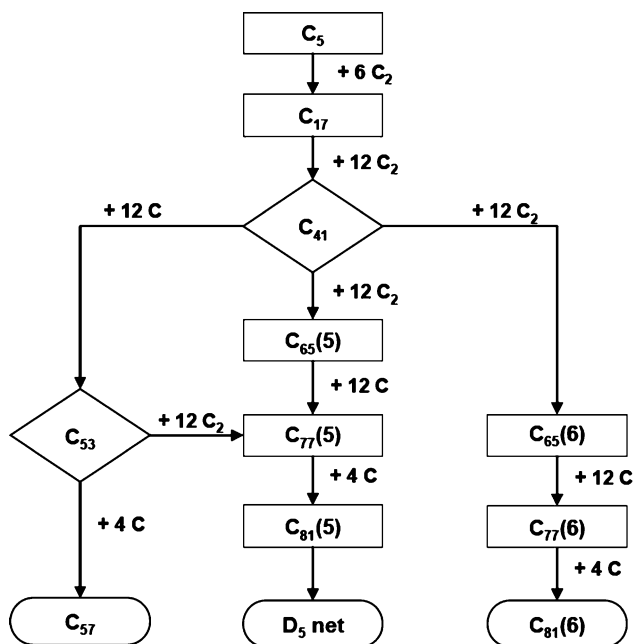


Fig. 11.8 Pathway to  $D_5$

A possible pathway to  $D_5$  was proposed by Diudea and Nagy (2011a) (Fig. 11.8):

The main intermediate structures in this scheme are:  $C_{17}$  (the “seed” of  $D_5$ ),  $C_{41}$ ,  $C_{53}$  and  $C_{81}(5)$  (see Fig. 11.8). The stability of these structures was evaluated as hydrogenated species. The  $C_{81}$  monomer has a  $C_{57}$  core and contains 12 flaps which represent half of the junctions between the  $SD_5$  nodes.

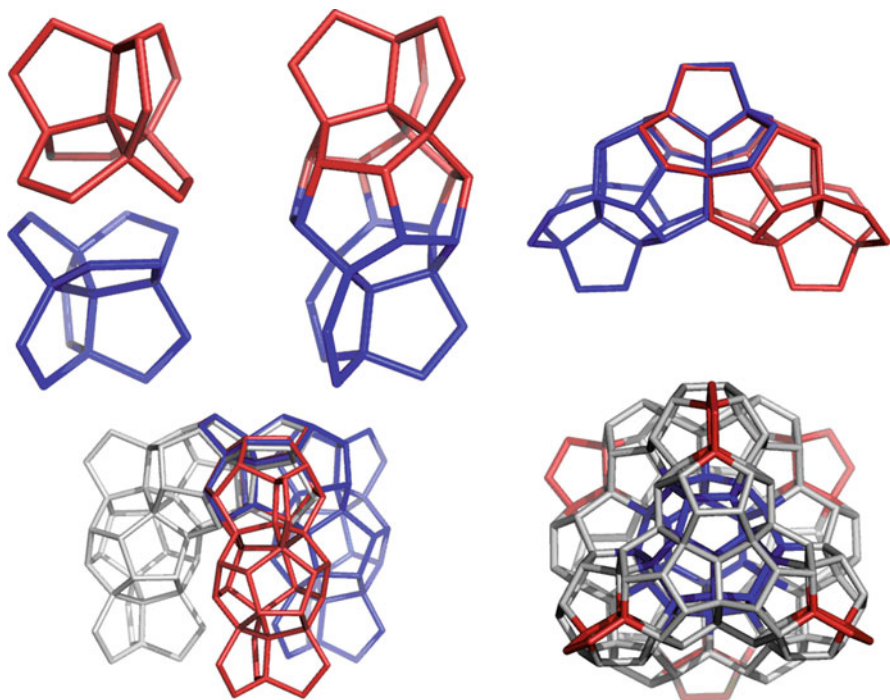
To avoid the non-wished side products  $C_{65}(6)$  to  $C_{81}(6)$  (containing six-membered rings), the suggested way is through  $C_{53}$ . In a next step, one can reach either  $C_{57}$  as a final structure (which can, however, lead to some dense species of  $D_5$ ) or go to  $C_{81}(5)$ , the monomer of  $SD_5$  network.

Of course, the scientist will choose the most convenient route in an attempt to synthesize these structures.

### 11.3.2 Dense $D_5$

There is a chance to reach  $D_5$  just from  $C_{17}$ , a centrohexaquinane (Paquette and Vazeux 1981; Kuck 2006) which can dimerize (Diudea and Nagy 2011b; Eaton 1979) to  $2 \times C_{17} = C_{34}$  and this last condensing to  $4 \times C_{17} = C_{51}$  (Fig. 11.9, top row).

A linear  $4 \times C_{17} = C_{57}$  is also energetically possible (see Table 11.1). The angular tetramer  $4 \times C_{17} = C_{51}$  will compose the six edges of a tetrahedron to form the corresponding Adamantane-like Ada\_20\_170, bearing six pentagonal

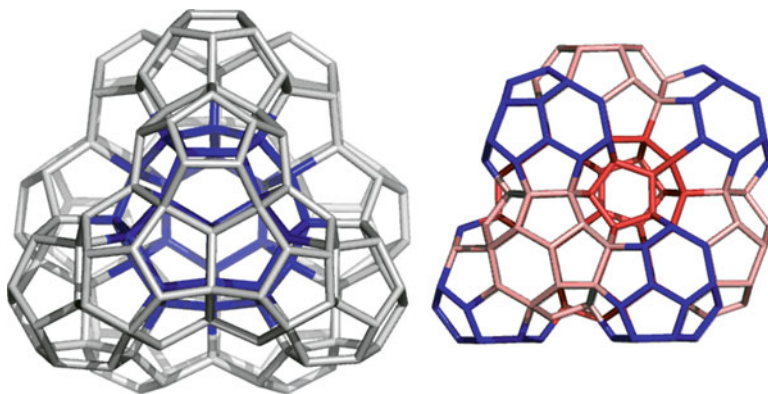


**Fig. 11.9** Way to Ada\_20:  $2 \times C_{17} = C_{34}$  (top-left and central),  $4 \times C_{17} = C_{51}$  (top-right),  $3(4 \times C_{17}) = C_{119}$  (bottom-left) and Ada\_20\_170 (bottom-right)

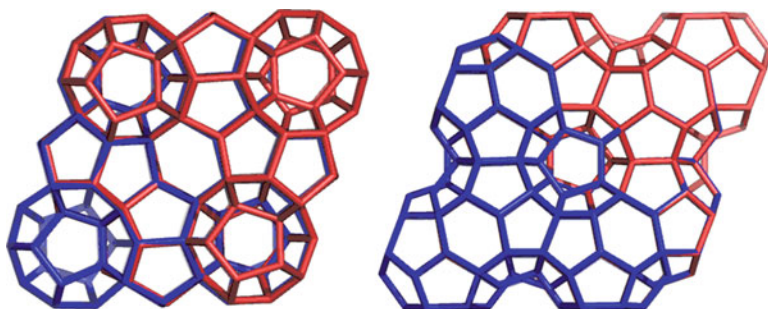
**Table 11.1** Single point calculation results (HOMO-LUMO gap in eV and total energy  $E_{\text{tot}}$  in a.u.) at the B3LYP/6-31 G(d,p) levels of theory;  $C_{60}$  is taken as reference structure

Struct	Sym	B3LYP		
		$E_{\text{tot}}$	Gap	$E_{\text{tot}}/N$
$C_{17}H_{12}$	$T_d$	-650.66	6.04	-38.27
$C_{34}H_{12}$	$C_{2h}$	-1302.36	3.23	-38.31
$C_{51}H_{14}\text{-ang}$	$C_{2v}$	-1951.13	3.34	-38.26
$C_{57}H_{18}\text{-lin}$	$D_{3h}$	-2182.07	2.97	-38.28
$C_{158}H_{12}$	$T_d$	-6025.94	3.24	-38.139
$C_{170}H_{12}$	$T_d$	-6483.08	3.17	-38.136
$C_{20}H_{20}$	$I_h$	-774.21	8.00	-38.71
$C_{20}$	$D_2$	-761.44	1.94	-38.07
$C_{60}$	$I_h$	-2286.17	2.76	-38.10

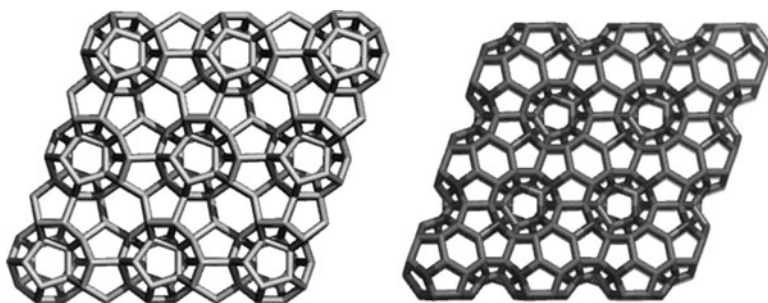
wings (in red – Fig. 11.9, right, bottom), or without wings, as in Ada\_20\_158 (Fig. 11.10, left). Compare this with Adamantane (Fig. 11.1, left) in the structure of classical diamond D<sub>6</sub>. In the above symbols, “20” refers to C<sub>20</sub>, which is the main unit of the dense diamond D<sub>5</sub> (Figs. 11.10–11.12) while the last number counts the carbon atoms in the structures.



**Fig. 11.10** Adamantane-like structures: Ada\_20\_170 (*left*) and Ada\_28\_213 (*right*)



**Fig. 11.11** Diamantane-like structures: Dia\_20\_226 net (*left*) and Dia\_28\_292 co-net (*right*)



**Fig. 11.12** Diamond D<sub>5</sub>\_20\_860\_333 net (*left*) and D<sub>5</sub>\_28\_1022\_333 co-net (*right*)

A diamantane-like unit is evidenced, as in Fig. 11.11 (see for comparison the adamantane, Fig. 11.1, *central*). Since any net has its co-net, the diamond D<sub>5</sub>\_20 net has the co-net D<sub>5</sub>\_28 (Fig. 11.12, *right*), of which corresponding units are illustrated in Figs 11.10 (*right*)–11.11 (*right*), respectively. In fact is one and the



same *triple periodic* D<sub>5</sub> network, built up basically from C<sub>20</sub> and having as hollows the fullerene C<sub>28</sub> (Diudea and Nagy 2011b). The co-net D<sub>5\_28</sub> cannot be reached from C<sub>28</sub> alone since the hollows of such a net consist of C<sub>57</sub> units (a C<sub>20</sub>-based structure, see above) or higher tetrahedral arrays of C<sub>20</sub> thus needing extra C atoms per Ada-like unit. The C<sub>28</sub>-based hyperdiamond reported by Bylander and Kleinman (1993) consists of only C<sub>28</sub> fullerenes joined by the tetrahedrally disposed neighbors by *only one covalent bond*.

Our D<sub>5\_20/28</sub> hyperdiamond mainly consists of sp<sup>3</sup>-bonded carbon atoms building Ada-like repeating units (including C<sub>28</sub> as hollows), the cohesive bonds of these units being the same sp<sup>3</sup> covalent (and the same distributed) bonds as within the repeating units. This is in high contrast to the (Bylander and Kleinman 1993) hyperdiamond. The ratio C-sp<sup>3</sup>/C-total trends to 1 in a large enough network. The topology of the D<sub>5</sub> networks is detailed in the last section.

Since the smallest C<sub>20</sub> fullerene is the highest reactive one, it is expected to spontaneously stabilize in an sp<sup>3</sup>-crystalline form, e.g., bcc-C<sub>20</sub> (Chen et al. 2004; Ivanovskii 2008) or D<sub>5\_20/28</sub> (Diudea and Nagy 2011b). A similar behavior is expected from the C<sub>20</sub>-derivative  $2 \times C_{17} = C_{34}$  (Fig. 11.9) to provide the Ada-like repeating units of the proposed D<sub>5</sub>-diamond.

As the content of pentagons R[5] per total rings trend to 90% (see Table 11.5, entry 9) we called this, yet hypothetical carbon allotrope, the diamond D<sub>5</sub>. Since the large hollows in the above spongy diamond are not counted, and the small rings are all pentagons, we also called it (S)D<sub>5</sub>.

The presence of pentagons in diamond-like fullerenes and particularly the ratio R[5]/R[6] seems to be important for the superconducting properties of such solid phases (Breda et al. 2000). In D<sub>5</sub> this ratio trends to 9 (see Table 11.5).

Energetic data, calculated at the DFT level in Table 11.1 – (Diudea and Nagy 2011a, b) show a good stability of the start and intermediate structures. Limited cubic domains of the D<sub>5</sub> networks have also been evaluated for stability, data proving a pertinent stability of the (yet) hypothetical D<sub>5</sub> diamond.

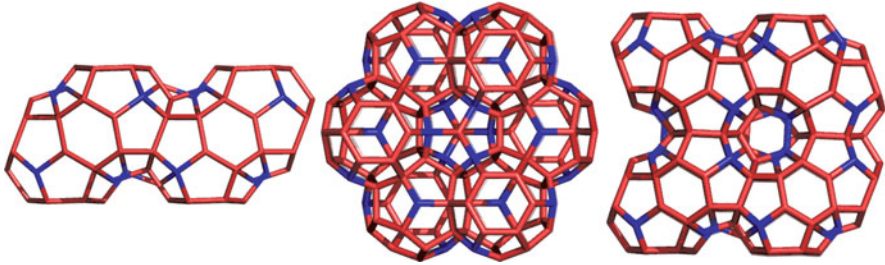
The calculated data show these structures as energetic minima, as supported by the simulated IR vibrations. All-together, these data reveal the proposed structures as pertinent candidates to the status of real molecules.

Density of the D<sub>5</sub> networks was calculated with the approximate (maximal) volume of a cubic domain. The values range from 1.5 (SD<sub>5</sub>) to 2.8 (D<sub>5</sub>).

## 11.4 Lonsdaleite L<sub>5\_28</sub> Network

By analogy to D<sub>5\_20/28</sub>, a lonsdaleite-like net was built up (Fig. 11.13).

As a monomer, the hyper-hexagons L<sub>5\_28\_134</sub> (Fig. 11.13, *left* and *central*), in the chair conformation, of which nodes represent the C<sub>28</sub> fullerene, was used. Its corresponding co-net L<sub>5\_20</sub> was also designed. The lonsdaleite L<sub>5\_28/20</sub> is a double periodic network, partially superimposed to the D<sub>5\_20/28</sub> net (Diudea and Nagy 2011b).



**Fig. 11.13** Losdaleite, a double periodic network:  $L_{5\_28\_134}$  (left),  $L_{5\_28\_134}$  (top view, central) and  $L_{5\_28\_250}$  (side view, right)

### 11.5 Omega Polynomial

In a connected graph  $G(V,E)$ , with the vertex set  $V(G)$  and edge set  $E(G)$ , two edges  $e = uv$  and  $f = xy$  of  $G$  are called *codistant e cof* if they obey the relation [John et al (2007)]:

$$d(v,x) = d(v,y) + 1 = d(u,x) + 1 = d(u,y) \tag{11.1}$$

which is reflexive, that is, *e co e* holds for any edge  $e$  of  $G$ , and symmetric, if *e cof* then *fco e*. In general, relation *co* is not transitive; if “*co*” is also transitive, thus it is an equivalence relation, then  $G$  is called a *co-graph* and the set of edges  $C \times (e) := \{f \in E(G); f \text{ co } e\}$  is called an *orthogonal cut oc* of  $G$ ,  $E(G)$  being the union of disjoint orthogonal cuts:  $E(G) = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots \cup C_k$ ,  $C_i \cap C_j = \emptyset$ ,  $i \neq j$ . Klavžar has shown (Klavžar 2008) that relation *co* is a theta Djoković-Winkler relation (1973–1984).

We say that edges  $e$  and  $f$  of a plane graph  $G$  are in relation *opposite*, *e op f*, if they are opposite edges of an inner face of  $G$ . Note that the relation *co* is defined in the whole graph while *op* is defined only in faces. Using the relation *op* we can partition the edge set of  $G$  into *opposite edge strips*, *ops*. An *ops* is a quasi-orthogonal cut *qoc*, since *ops* is not transitive.

Let  $G$  be a connected graph and  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_k$  be the *ops* strips of  $G$ . Then the *ops* strips form a partition of  $E(G)$ . The length of *ops* is taken as maximum. It depends on the size of the maximum fold face/ring  $F_{\max}/R_{\max}$  considered, so that any result on Omega polynomial will have this specification.

Denote by  $m(G,s)$  the number of *ops* of length  $s$  and define the Omega polynomial as (Diudea 2006; Diudea et al. 2008; Diudea and Katona 2009):

$$\Omega(G,x) = \sum_s m(G,s) \cdot x^s \tag{11.2}$$

Its first derivative (in  $x = 1$ ) equals the number of edges in the graph:

$$\Omega'(G,1) = \sum_s m(G,s) \cdot s = e = |E(G)| \tag{11.3}$$

On Omega polynomial, the Cluj-Ilmenau [John et al (2007)] index,  $CI = CI(G)$ , was defined:

$$CI(G) = \{[\Omega'(G, 1)]^2 - [\Omega'(G, 1) + \Omega''(G, 1)]\} \quad (11.4)$$

This counting polynomial found utility in predicting stability of small fullerenes (Diudea 2010a) and in description of various polyhedral nanostructures.

### ***11.5.1 Topology of Diamond D<sub>6</sub> and Lonsdaleite L<sub>6</sub> Nets***

Topology of the classical diamond D<sub>6</sub> and Lonsdaleite L<sub>6</sub> are listed in Table 11.2. Along with Omega polynomial, formulas to calculate the number of atoms in a cuboid of dimensions (k,k,k) are given. In the above, k is the number of repeating units along the edge of such a cubic domain. One can see that the ratio  $C(sp^3)/v(G)$  approaches the unity; this means that in a large enough net almost all atoms are tetra-connected, a basic condition for a structure to be diamondoid. Examples of calculus are given in Table 11.3.

### ***11.5.2 Topology of Spongy Diamond SD<sub>5</sub>***

In describing the topology of the spongy diamond SD<sub>5</sub>, we considered only the pentagons, the larger hollows being omitted. Thus, only the basic data of the net are presented in Table 11.4; the ratio  $C(sp^3)/v(G)$  is here far from unity, because of many carbon atoms are exposed to exterior.

### ***11.5.3 Topology of Dense Diamond D<sub>5</sub> and Lonsdaleite L<sub>5</sub>***

Topology of the dense diamond D<sub>5</sub> and lonsdaleite L<sub>5</sub> is presented in Tables 11.5–11.10: formulas to calculate Omega polynomial, number of atoms, number of rings and the limits (at infinity) for the ratio of  $sp^3$  C atoms over total number of atoms and also the ratio R[5] over the total number of rings (Table 11.5). Numerical examples are given.

**Table 11.2.** Omega polynomial in Diamond  $D_6$  and Lonsdaleite  $L_6$  nets, function of the number of repeating units along the edge of a cubic  $(k,k,k)$  domain

Network	
<b>A</b>	
<b>Omega(<math>D_6</math>); R[6]</b>	
1	$\Omega(D_{6-k_{\text{odd}}}, x) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^k 2x \frac{(i+1)(i+2)}{2} \right) + \left( \sum_{i=1}^{(k-1)/2} 2x \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} + \frac{k \times k - 1}{4} - i(i-1) \right) + 3kx^{k(k+1)(k+1)}$
2	$\Omega(D_{6-k_{\text{even}}}, x) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^k 2x \frac{(i+1)(i+2)}{2} \right) + \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k/2} 2x \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} + \frac{k \times k}{4} - (i-1)(i-1) \right) - x \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} + \frac{k \times k}{4} + 3kx^{k(k+1)(k+1)}$
3	$\Omega'(1) = e(G) = -1 + 6k + 9k^2 + 4k^3$
4	$CI(G) = 2 - 187k/10 - k^2/4 + 305k^3/4 + 457k^4/4 + 1369k^5/20 + 16k^6$
5	$v(G) = 6k + 6k^2 + 2k^3$
6	$Atoms(sp^3) = -2 + 6k + 2k^3$
7	$R[6] = 3k^2 + 4k^3$
8	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{Atoms(sp^3)}{v(G)} = \frac{-2 + 6k + 2k^3}{6k + 6k^2 + 2k^3} \right] = 1$
<b>B</b>	
<b>Omega(<math>L_6</math>); R[6]</b>	
1	$\Omega(L_6, x) = k \cdot x^{k(k+2)} + x^{k(k+1)(3k^2+4k-1)}$
2	$\Omega'(1) = e(G) = -1 + 3k + 9k^2 + 4k^3$
3	$CI(G) = k^2(k+2)(7k^3 + 15k^2 + 4k - 2)$
4	$v(G) = 2k(k+1)(k+2) = 4k + 6k^2 + 2k^3$
5	$Atoms(sp^3) = 2(k-1) \cdot k \cdot (k+1) = 2k(k^2 - 1)$
6	$R[6] = -2k + 3k^2 + 4k^3$
7	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{Atoms(sp^3)}{v(G)} = \frac{2k(k^2 - 1)}{4k + 6k^2 + 2k^3} \right] = 1$

**Table 11.3** Examples, omega polynomial in diamond D<sub>6</sub> and lonsdaleite L<sub>6</sub> nets

k	Polynomial (Net)	Atoms	sp <sup>3</sup> Atoms (%)	Bonds	Cl(G)	R[6]
<b>Omega(D<sub>6</sub>); R[6]</b>						
1	$2x^3 + 3x^4$ (Diamantane)	14	-	18	258	7
2	$2x^3 + 2x^6 + 1x^7 + 6x^9$	52	26 (50.00)	79	5616	44
3	$2x^3 + 2x^6 + 2x^{10} + 2x^{12} + 9x^{16}$	126	70 (55.56)	206	39554	135
4	$2x^3 + 2x^6 + 2x^{10} + 2x^{15} + 2x^{18} + 1x^{19} + 12x^{25}$	248	150 (60.48)	423	169680	304
5	$2x^3 + 2x^6 + 2x^{10} + 2x^{15} + 2x^{21} + 2x^{25} + 2x^{27} + 15x^{36}$	430	278 (64.65)	754	544746	575
6	$2x^3 + 2x^6 + 2x^{10} + 2x^{15} + 2x^{21} + 2x^{28} + 2x^{33} + 2x^{36} + 1x^{37} + 18x^{49}$	684	466 (68.13)	1223	1443182	972
<b>Omega(L<sub>6</sub>); R[6]</b>						
1	$1x^3 + x^{12}$	12	-	15	72	5
2	$2x^8 + x^{57}$	48	12 (25.00)	73	1952	40
3	$3x^{15} + x^{152}$	120	48 (40.00)	197	15030	129
4	$4x^{24} + x^{315}$	240	120 (50.00)	411	67392	296
5	$5x^{35} + x^{564}$	420	240 (57.14)	739	221900	565
6	$6x^{48} + x^{917}$	672	420 (62.50)	1205	597312	960

**Table 11.4** Topology of the spongy SD<sub>5</sub>\_20

Formulas	
<i>C<sub>57</sub>-based net</i>	
1	$v(\text{SD}_5_{.57}) = k^2(69k - 12)$
2	$e(\text{SD}_5_{.57}) = 2k^2(65k - 18)$
3	$m(\text{SD}_5_{.57}) = k^3$ ; $m = \text{monomer}$ ; $k = 1, 2, \dots$
4	$\text{Atoms}(sp^3) = k^2(53k - 36)$ $R[5] = 6k^2(11k - 4)$
5	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Atoms}(sp^3)}{v(G)} = 53/69 \approx 0.768116$
<i>C<sub>81</sub>-based net</i>	
6	$v(\text{SD}_5_{.81}) = 3k^2[27 + 23(k - 1)] = 69k^3 + 12k^2$
7	$e(\text{SD}_5_{.81}) = 130k^3$
8	$m(\text{SD}_5) = k^3$ ; $m = \text{monomer}$
9	$\text{Atoms}(sp^3) = 53k^3 - 12k^2$
10	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Atoms}(sp^3)}{v(G)} = 53/69 \approx 0.768116$

**Table 11.5** Omega polynomial in Diamond D<sub>5</sub>\_20 net function of  $k = \text{no. ada}_20$  units along the edge of a cubic ( $k,k,k$ ) domain

Omega(D <sub>5</sub> _20 <sup>a</sup> ); R[6]; Formulas	
1	$\Omega(\text{D}_5_{.20b}, x) = (4 - 54k + 36k^2 + 44k^3) \cdot x + (-3 + 18k - 27k^2 + 12k^3) \cdot x^2$
2	$\Omega'(1) = e(G) = -2 - 18k - 18k^2 + 68k^3$
3	$CI(G) = 12 + 54k + 468k^2 + 284k^3 - 2124k^4 - 2448k^5 + 4624k^6$
4	$v(\text{D}_5_{.20b}) = -2 - 12k + 34k^3 = v(\text{Dia}_{.20a}) + 20$
5	$\text{Atoms}(sp^3) = 2 - 36k^2 + 34k^3$
6	$R[5] = -6k - 18k^2 + 36k^3$
7	$R[6] = -1 + 6k - 9k^2 + 4k^3$
8	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{\text{Atoms}(sp^3)}{v(G)} = \frac{2 - 36k^2 + 34k^3}{-2 - 12k + 34k^3} \right] = 1$
9	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R[5]}{R(\text{total no.})} = 9/10$ ; $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R[5]}{R[6]} = 9$

<sup>a</sup>counting refers to lattices with complete tetrahedral ending**Table 11.6** Examples, omega polynomial in D<sub>5</sub>\_20 net

k	Omega(D <sub>5</sub> _20 <sup>a</sup> ); R[6]	Atoms	sp <sup>3</sup> Atoms (%)	Bonds	CI	R[5]	R[6]
2	$392x^1 + 21x^2$	246	130 (52.85)	434	187880	204	7
3	$1354x^1 + 132x^2$	880	596 (67.73)	1618	2616042	792	44
4	$3180x^1 + 405x^2$	2126	1602 (75.35)	3990	15915300	1992	135
5	$6134x^1 + 912x^2$	4188	3352 (80.04)	7958	63319982	4020	304
6	$10480x^1 + 1725x^2$	7270	6050 (83.22)	13930	194027520	7092	575
7	$16482x^1 + 2916x^2$	11576	9900 (85.52)	22314	497886450	11424	972

<sup>a</sup>counting refers to lattices with complete tetrahedral ending

**Table 11.7** Omega polynomial in D<sub>5\_28</sub> co-net function of  $k = \text{no. ada}_{20}$  units along the edge of a cubic ( $k,k,k$ ) domain

Omega (D <sub>5_28</sub> <sup>a</sup> ); R[6]	
1	$\Omega(\text{D}_{5_28b}, x) = (10 - 12k - 6k^2 + 44k^3) \cdot x + (9k^2 + 12k^3) \cdot x^2$
2	$\Omega'(1) = e(G) = 10 - 12k + 12k^2 + 68k^3$
3	$CI(G) = 12 + 54k + 468k^2 + 284k^3 - 2124k^4 - 2448k^5 + 4624k^6$
4	$v(\text{D}_{5_28b}) = 4 - 6k + 18k^2 + 34k^3$
5	$Atoms(sp^3) = 8 - 6k - 30k^2 + 34k^3$
6	$R[5] = 6 - 18k^2 + 36k^3$
7	$R[6] = 5 + 6k - 9k^2 + 4k^3$
8	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{Atoms(sp^3)}{v(G)} = \frac{8 - 6k - 30k^2 + 34k^3}{4 - 6k + 18k^2 + 34k^3} \right] = 1$

The limit when  $k$  tends to infinity of  $sp^3$  atoms to all atoms is 1. This means that for large  $k$ , almost all atoms are  $sp^3$ .

<sup>a</sup>counting refers to lattices with complete tetrahedral ending

**Table 11.8** Examples, omega polynomial in D<sub>5\_28</sub> co-net

k	Omega(D <sub>5_28</sub> <sup>a</sup> ); R[6]	Atoms	sp <sup>3</sup> Atoms (%)	Bonds	CI	R[5]	R[6]
2	$314 x^1 + 132 x^2$	336	148 (44.05)	578	333242	222	44
3	$1108 x^1 + 405 x^2$	1066	638 (59.85)	1918	3675996	816	135
4	$2682 x^1 + 912 x^2$	2444	1680 (68.74)	4506	20297706	2022	304
5	$5300 x^1 + 1725 x^2$	4674	3478 (74.41)	8750	76550300	4056	575
6	$9226 x^1 + 2916 x^2$	7960	6236 (78.34)	15058	226722474	7134	972
7	$14724 x^1 + 4557 x^2$	12506	10158 (81.23)	23838	568217292	11472	1519

<sup>a</sup>counting refers to lattices with complete tetrahedral ending

**Table 11.9** Omega polynomial in Lonsdaleite-like L<sub>5\_28</sub> and L<sub>5\_20</sub> nets function of  $k = \text{no. repeating units}$  along the edge of a cubic ( $k,k,k$ ) domain

Network	
A	Omega (L <sub>5_28</sub> ); R[6]
1	$\Omega(\text{L}_{5_28}, x) = 2k(-1 + 73k + 44k^2) \cdot x + 3k(4 + 21k + 8k^2) \cdot x^2$
2	$\Omega'(1) = e(G) = 2k(11 + 136k + 68k^2)$
3	$CI(G) = 2k(-23 + 43k + 5892k^2 + 39984k^3 + 36992k^4 + 9248k^5)$
4	$v(\text{L}_{5_28}) = 2k(12 + 79k + 34k^2)$
5	$Atoms(sp^3) = 2k(-14 + 35k + 34k^2)$
6	$R[5] = 1 - 6k + 98k^2 + 72k^3$
7	$R[6] = k(4 + 21k + 8k^2)$
8	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{Atoms(sp^3)}{v(G)} = \frac{2k(-14 + 35k + 34k^2)}{2k(12 + 79k + 34k^2)} \right] = 1$
B	Omega (L <sub>5_20</sub> ); R[6]
1	$\Omega(\text{L}_{5_20}, x) = (-2 - 69k + 36k^2 + 44k^3) \cdot x + 3(k - 1)^2(4k - 1) \cdot x^2$
2	$\Omega'(1) = e(G) = -8 - 33k - 18k^2 + 68k^3$
3	$CI(G) = 78 + 525k + 1449k^2 + 8k^3 - 4164k^4 - 2448k^5 + 4624k^6$
4	$v(\text{L}_{5_28}) = -6 - 20k + 34k^3$
5	$Atoms(sp^3) = 2 - 6k - 36k^2 + 34k^3$
6	$R[5] = -2 - 14k - 18k^2 + 36k^3$
7	$R[6] = (k - 1)^2(4k - 1)$
8	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{Atoms(sp^3)}{v(G)} = \frac{2 - 6k - 36k^2 + 34k^3}{-6 - 20k + 34k^3} \right] = 1$

**Table 11.10** Examples, omega polynomial in L<sub>5\_28</sub> and L<sub>5\_20</sub> nets

k	Polynomial (Net)	Atoms	sp <sup>3</sup> Atoms (%)	Bonds	CI(G)	R[5]	R[6]
<b>A Omega(L<sub>5_28</sub>); R[6]</b>							
1	232 x + 99 x <sup>2</sup>	250	110 (44.00)	430	184272	165	33
2	1284 x + 468 x <sup>2</sup>	1224	768 (62.75)	2220	4925244	957	156
3	3684 x + 1251 x <sup>2</sup>	3330	2382 (71.53)	6186	38257908	2809	417
4	7960 x + 2592 x <sup>2</sup>	6976	5360 (76.83)	13144	172746408	6153	864
5	14640 x + 4635 x <sup>2</sup>	12570	10110 (80.43)	23910	571654920	11421	1545
6	24252 x + 7524 x <sup>2</sup>	20520	17040 (83.04)	39300	1544435652	19045	2508
<b>B Omega(L<sub>5_28</sub>); R[6]</b>							
2	356 x + 21 x <sup>2</sup>	226	118 (52.21)	398	157964	186	7
3	1303 x + 132 x <sup>2</sup>	852	578 (67.84)	1567	2453658	766	44
4	3114 x + 405 x <sup>2</sup>	2090	1578 (75.50)	3924	15393042	1958	135
5	6053 x + 912 x <sup>2</sup>	4144	3322 (80.16)	7877	62037428	3978	304
6	10384 x + 1725 x <sup>2</sup>	7218	6014 (83.32)	13834	191362272	7042	575

## 11.6 Conclusions

A novel class of (hypothetical) carbon allotropes, consisting mostly of pentagon rings (going up to 90% in the total number of pentagon/hexagon rings), was here presented. The seed of these allotropes, C<sub>17</sub> and the adamantane-like repeating-units, as hydrogenated species, show a good stability, comparable with that of C<sub>60</sub> fullerene, as calculated at DFT levels of theory. The main representatives of these allotropes are the diamond D<sub>5</sub> and lonsdaleite L<sub>5</sub>, in fact hyper-structures corresponding to the classical diamond D<sub>6</sub> and lonsdaleite L<sub>6</sub>. The topology of the networks was described in terms of the net parameter *k* and Omega polynomial.

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