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Magnetism

Fourth Nine

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Classification of Magnetic Materials

4-Antiferromagnetic materials

Is have spin alignment like ferromagnetic materials; however, while ferromagnets align atomic magnetic moments in the same direction, antiferromagnets align the magnetic moments in opposite directions.

In other words, antiferromagnets moments perfectly pair up against each other, leading to **0 total magnetism** (in theory, but in practice there are crystal defects so the moments are not perfectly opposing each other, so the total magnetic moment is greater than 0).

5- Ferrimagnetic Materials

If you've ever seen a ceramic refrigerator magnet, that was probably a ferrimagnet. Ferrimagnetic materials behave very similarly to ferromagnetic materials. However, ferrimagnets work by the same indirect superexchange as antiferromagnets.

While antiferromagnets completely cancel each other out because each pair of magnetic moments are equal, ferrimagnets only have partial cancellation. Which means they really have partial magnetization.

Summary of Magnetic Properties

H Diamagnetic



Induced magnetic moment is very small. It is oriented in the **opposite** direction to the magnetic field.

H Paramagnetic



Induced magnetic moment is very small. It is oriented in the **parallel** direction to the magnetic field.

H Ferromagnetic



Below T_c , spins are aligned **parallel** in magnetic domains.

H Ferrimagnetic



Below T_c , spins are aligned **antiparallel** but do not cancel.

H Antiferromagnetic



Below T_c , spins are aligned **antiparallel** in magnetic domains.



TYPES OF MAGNETIC MATERIALS WITH EXAMPLES

Ferrimagnetics

Fe_3O_4 , $\text{PbFe}_{12}\text{O}_{19}$, $\text{BaFe}_{12}\text{O}_{19}$,
 $\text{BaO} \cdot 6\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$, $\text{SrO} \cdot 6\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$

Antiferromagnetics

MnO , FeO , CoO , FeMn , NiO ,
 MnS , MnF_2

Diamagnetics

Copper, Mercury, Bismuth,
Zinc, Magnesium, Gold,
Silicon, Phosphorus, Water,
Graphite, Proteins

Paramagnetics

Platinum, Aluminum, Air,
Sodium, Tin, Oxygen,
Hydrogen

Ferromagnetics

Iron, Cobalt, Nickel,
Gadolinium, Dysprosium,
Erbium, Holmium