1. Lecture: Basics of Magnetism: Magnetic reponse

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Magnetic dipole moment = current × enclosed area

$$|\vec{m}| = IA = \frac{q\omega}{2\pi}A = \frac{1}{2\pi}\frac{q}{m_e}m_e\pi r^2\omega = \frac{1}{2}\frac{q}{m_e}\vec{L} = \gamma \vec{L}$$

 $\gamma =$ gyromagnetic ratio, m_e = electron mass



Zeeman energy of magnetic moment in an external magnetic field:

 $\mathbf{E} = - \, \vec{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \, \vec{\mathbf{B}}$

Energy is minimized for m || B. B is the magnetic induction or the magnetic field density. Applying B, a torque is exerted on m:

$$\vec{T} = \vec{m} \times \vec{B}$$

If <u>m</u> were just a dipole, such as the electric dipole, it would be turned into the field direction to minimize the energy. However, <u>m</u> is connected with an angular momentum, thus torque causes the dipole to precess:

$$\vec{T} = \frac{dL}{dt} = \gamma \vec{L} \times \vec{B}$$

Assuming $\underline{B} = B_z$, the precessional frequency is:

$$\omega_L = \gamma B_z$$

 ω_L is called the *Lamor frequency*. See also EPR, FMR, MRI, etc.

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An electron in the first Bohr orbit with a Bohr radius r_{Bohr} has the angular momentum: $L = m_e r_{Bohr}^2 \omega = \hbar$

Then magnetic moment is:

$$m_{Bohr} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{q}{m_e} L = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{e}{m_e} \hbar = -\mu_B$$

Because of negative charge, <u>L</u> and <u>m</u> are opposite.

$$\mu_B = \frac{1}{2} \frac{e}{m_e} \hbar = \gamma \hbar$$



 μ_B is the Bohr magneton. [μ_B] = 9.274 x 10⁻²⁴ Am².

Magnetic moment: [r

 $[m] = A m^2$

Electron spin

Spin \underline{S} of the electon contributes to the magnetic moment:

$$\vec{m}_{\rm spin} = rac{q}{m_e} \vec{S}$$



The missing factor $\frac{1}{2}$ is of quantum mechanical origin and will be discussed later.

Including orbital and spin contributions, the magnetic moment of an electron is:

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{q}{m_e} (\vec{L} + 2\vec{S}) = -\gamma(\vec{L} + 2\vec{S})$$



Magnetic field and magnetic induction



Oersted field *H* due to *dc* current:

$$H = \frac{I}{2 \pi r}$$



Any time variation of the magnetic flux $\Phi = BA$ through the loop causes an induced voltage:

$$U_{ind} = -\frac{d}{dt} \Big(\vec{B} \cdot \vec{A} \Big)$$

Therefore *B* is called the magnetic induction or the magnetic flux density $B = \Phi/A$. In vacuum both quantities are connected via the permeability of the vacuum: $B = \mu_0 H$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \ 10^{-7} \frac{\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{s}}{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{m}} \quad \left[B \mu = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 2\pi r \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{s}}{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{m}} \times \frac{\mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{m}} = \frac{\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{s}}{\mathbf{m}^2} = \mathbf{T} \quad 1 \frac{\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{s}}{\mathbf{m}^2} = 1 \ \mathbf{T} = 10^4 \ \mathbf{G}$$

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Definitions

1. Magnetization is the sum over all magnetic moments in a volume element normalized by the volume element:

2. Thermal average of the magnetization:

- $\vec{M} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{i} \vec{m}_{i}$
- $\left< \vec{M} \right> = \frac{N}{V} \left< \vec{m} \right>$

3. Magnetic susceptibility:

 $\vec{M} = \chi_{mag} \vec{H}, \quad \chi_{mag} = \frac{\partial |M|}{\partial H}$

4. Magnetic Induction:

$$\vec{B} = \mu_0 \left(\vec{H} + \vec{M} \right) = \mu_0 \vec{H} (1 + \chi_{mag}) = \mu_0 \mu_r \vec{H} = \mu \vec{H}$$

- H = magnetic field, usually externally applied by a magnet.
- μ_0 = magnetic permeability of the vacuum.

 μ_r = relative magnetic permeability $\mu_r = (1+\chi)$ (tensor, or a number for collinearity)



Potential energy (Zeeman – term):

$$E_{\rm Zeeman} = -\vec{m} \cdot \vec{B}$$

1. Derivative \rightarrow magnetic moment:

$$\left|m\right| = -\frac{\partial E_{Zeeman}}{\partial B}$$

2. Derivative \rightarrow Susceptibility:

 $\chi_{mag} = \frac{\partial |M|}{\partial H} = -\mu_0 \frac{N}{V} \frac{\partial^2 E_{Zeeman}}{\partial B^2}$ The susceptibility is the response f



What is more fundamental, H or B?

Lorentz force:	$\vec{F} = q \left(\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right)$	[F] = N
Zeeman energy:	$E = -\vec{m} \bullet \vec{B}$	[E] = J = VAs = Ws
Vector potential:	$\vec{B} = \Box \times \vec{A}$	$[B] = T = Vs / m^2$
Oersted field:	$H = \frac{I}{2\pi r}$	[H] = <i>A</i> / <i>m</i>
Magnetization:	$M=\chi H$	[M] = A/m



Application of an external field:

a. Paramagnetism: $\chi > 0$ und $\mu_r > 1$



b. Diamagnetism: $\chi < 0$ und $\mu_r < 1$



Magnetic moments align parallel to external field, field lines are more dense in the material than in vacuum.

External field is weakend by inducing screening currents according to Lenz rule. Field lines are less dense than in vacuum.

Ideal diagmagnetism, realized in superconductors with *M* and *B* antiparallel, for $\chi = -1$ and $\mu_r = 0$.

c. Ferromagnetism:



Spontaneous Magnetization without external field due to the interaction of magnetic moments

 μ_r attaines very high values for ferromagnets, > 10⁴-10⁵



Consider a non-relativistic Hamilton operator for electrons in an external magnetic field:

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{2m_e} \left(\vec{p} + q\vec{A} \right)^2$$

The vector potential: \vec{A} is defined by the Coulomb gauge: $\vec{B} = \vec{\Box} \times \vec{A}$ and using $\vec{P} (o \circ P)$



 L_z is here a dimensionless quantum number

Where we assumed an average over the electron orbit perpendicular to the magnetic field:

$$\langle x^2 \rangle + \langle y^2 \rangle = \frac{2}{3} \langle a^2 \rangle$$

Hamiltonian for electron with spin

Considering the electron spin in the external field with a Zeeman energy:

$$E_{Zeeman} = -\vec{m}_s \cdot \vec{B} = -g_s \mu_B \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{e\hbar}{m} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B}$$
$$g_s = 2$$

Bohr magneton

Landé factor

$$\mu_B = -\frac{e\hbar}{2m} = 9.27 \times 10^{-24} \, Am^2$$

Hamilton operator for spin and orbital contributions of a single bond electron then is:



The $g_s=2$ for the electron is put into the Schrödinger equation by "hand" but would occur naturally using the Dirac equation. The exact value of 2.0023 is determined by QED.

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Paramagnetic response

$$\mu_B \left(L_z + 2S_z \right) > 0 \qquad \qquad 0^*$$

*For single atom we can not define a paramagnetic susceptibility. This is only possible for an ensemble of atoms.

With Z electrons in an atom and an effective radius of <a>

$$\chi_{Langevin} = -\mu_0 \frac{N}{V} \frac{e^2}{6m_e} \sum_i \left\langle r_i^2 \right\rangle = -\mu_0 \frac{N}{V} \frac{Ze^2}{6m_e} \left\langle a^2 \right\rangle$$

- XLangevin

- is constant, independent of field strength;
- is induced by external field;
 - < 0, according to Lenz' rule;
- is alway present, but mostly covered by bigger and positive paramagnetic contribution;
- the only contribution to magnetism for empty or filled electron orbits;
- yiels $\langle a \rangle$ and the symmetry of the electron distribution;
- is proportional to the area of an atom perpendicular to the field direction, important for chemistry;
 - is temperature independent.

XLangevin



Material	χ _{Langevin} at RT
Не	-1.9 · 10 ⁻⁶ cm ³ /mol
Xe	-43 · 10 ⁻⁶ cm ³ /mol
Bi	-16 · 10 ⁻⁶ cm ³ /g
Cu	-1.06 · 10 ⁻⁶ cm ³ /g
Ag	-2.2 · 10 ⁻⁶ cm ³ /g
Au	-1.8 · 10 ⁻⁶ cm ³ /g

(χ is normalized to the magnetization of 1 cm³ containing one 1 Mol of gas at 1 Oe)

- All noble metals and noble gases are diamagnetic. In case of the nobel metals Ag, Au, Cu mainly the d-electrons contribute to the diamagnetism.
- In 3d transition metals the diamagnetismus is usually exceeded by the much bigger paramagnetic response.

Anisotropy of diamagnetismus for Li_3N



Levitation of diamagnetic materials



(free = without interactions)

Orientation of permanent and isolated magentic moments in an external field $B_z = \mu_0 H_z$ parallel to the z-axis (orientational polarization)



$$L(x) = coth(x) - \frac{1}{x}$$
 Langevin function

Langevin function



Magnetization of paramagnetic moments in an external field



Curie-Suszeptibilität χ_{Curie} in HTA with the Curie-constant C:

$$\chi_{Curie} = \frac{\partial \langle M \rangle}{\partial H_z} = \frac{N}{V} \frac{\mu_0 m_z^2}{3k_B T} = \frac{C}{T}$$





$$m_z = \mu_B (L_z + 2S_z)$$

Linear dependence fullfilled at high temperatures. At low T often deviations observed due to interactions.

 $C = \frac{N}{V} \frac{\mu_0 m_z^2}{3k}$

But: However, magnetism is not a classical problem, thus Langevin function is only a rough approximation. As quantum mechanics allows only discrete values for the z-component of the magnetic moments, a different approach has to be chosen ⇒ Brillouin function replaces the Langevin function. –

The susceptibility of **superparamagnetic particles** containing a macrospin can be treated classically as the spin orientation of nanoparticles in the field is continuous.

Susceptibility of the Elements



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1. Hamilton operator for an electron in an external field:

