

MAGNETIC CHIRALITY

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Chirality Skew spins: $\mathbf{C} \sim [\mathbf{S}_1 \times$

Result of inversion breaking.

Two ways:

Structure, Magnetic field.

Inversion: $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (-x, -y, -$

$\mathbf{R} \rightarrow -\mathbf{R}$ vector.

$\mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ -axial vector..

Structure: Static \mathbf{C} .

Magnetic field

$\mathbf{H}(-t) = -\mathbf{H}(t),$

Dynamical chirality: $\mathbf{C}(t).$

WEAK FERROMAGNETISM

Borovik-Romanov, Dzyaloshinskii

$\alpha - Fe_2O_3$ etc. Unit cell:

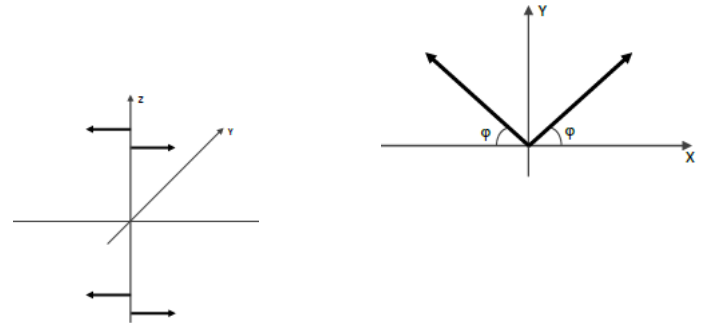
Four magnetic ions along C_3 axis.

Inversion I between two pairs.

DMI into up and down pairs

$V_{DM} = \mathbf{D}_{12}[\mathbf{S}_1 \times \mathbf{S}_2]; \mathbf{D} \parallel \mathbf{C}_3.$

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$$\mathbf{D}_{12} = D(z_{12})[\hat{x} \times \hat{y}] \parallel \hat{z}. D(-z) = -D(z).$$

$\varphi \sim D/J$ where J -exchange interaction.

MORIYA THEOREM

DMI appears if we have not

Inversion between two spins

$$V_{DM} = D_{12}[\mathbf{S}_1 \times \mathbf{S}_2],$$

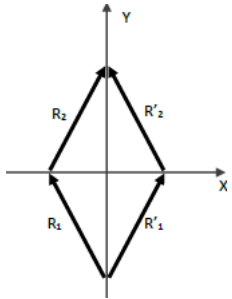
$$D_{21} = -D_{12}$$

D is a result of the
spin-orbit interaction.

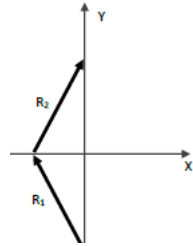
It is main anisotropic

Interaction.

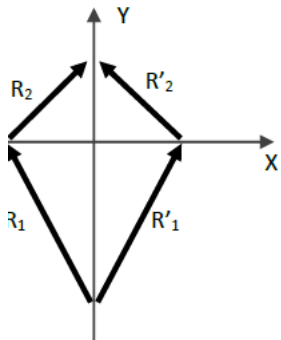
EXAMPLES



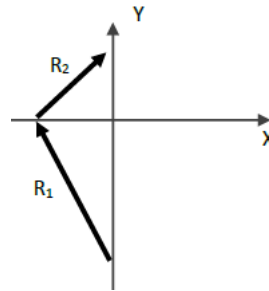
Complete symmetry
 $\mathbf{D} = 0$



Left-right asymmetry
 $\mathbf{D} \sim [\mathbf{R}_1 \times \mathbf{R}_2]$
 (Moskvin rule)



Up-down asymmetry
 $\mathbf{D} \parallel \hat{y}, \hat{y} = [\hat{z} \times \hat{x}]$



Total asymmetry
 $\mathbf{D} = D_1 \hat{y} + D_2 [\mathbf{R}_1 \times \mathbf{R}_2]$

HELICES

DMI gives HELICAL structure:

- B20 (MnSi etc) FM helix
- Surface layers

Fe on WW FM helix.

Mn on W AF cycloid.

Multiferroics: AF cycloids or weak AF

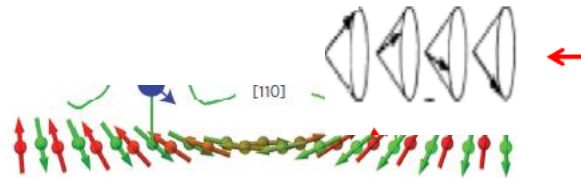
DESCRIPTION

$$\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{R}} = S[\hat{a} \cos \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R} + \hat{b} \sin \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}] \cos \alpha + S\hat{c} \sin \alpha.$$

Spin rotation plain $\hat{c} = [\hat{a} \times \hat{b}]$.
 $\mathbf{k} \parallel \hat{c}$ planar helix. $\mathbf{k} \perp \hat{c}$ cycloid.

Six parameters: \mathbf{k} , \hat{c} and α -angle
between \mathbf{S} and plane \hat{c} .

AF cycloid:



THEORY I

Helix energy is sum of the exchange and DM energies.

Both are \mathbf{k} modulated Energy change:

$$E_{\mathbf{k}} = Ak^2/2 + (\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{c}).$$

Minimum $\partial E_{\mathbf{k}}/\partial \mathbf{k} = 0$.

Two models:

$$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{k}} = D\mathbf{k}; \mathbf{k} = D\hat{c}/A \text{ (B2o)}.$$

$$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{k}} = D[\mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{k}]; \mathbf{N} \text{ is } \mathbf{D} \text{ direction.}$$

$$\hat{c} \perp \mathbf{N}. \mathbf{k} = D[\mathbf{N} \times \hat{c}]/A.$$

Cycloid: Multiferroics, layers.

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MAGNETIC FIDLD B20

In magnetic field

$$E = -\frac{Ak^2}{2} \cos^2 \alpha + SH \sin \alpha; \mathbf{k} \parallel \mathbf{H}.$$

α is an angle between spins and rotation plain.

$$\hat{c} \parallel \mathbf{H}; \sin \alpha = -H/H_c \hat{H}_c = Ak^2.$$

Near T_c A-phase: $\mathbf{k} \parallel \hat{c} \perp \mathbf{H}$

with “skyrmion lattice”. Both are unexplained.

$H > H_c$ Ferromagnet: Anisotropic chiral spin waves.

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FIDLD N ANISOTROPY

F case.

In-plane field $\mathbf{H} \perp \mathbf{N}$

Conical cycloid $\hat{c} \parallel \mathbf{H}$; $\sin \alpha = -H/Ak^2$

If spins $\mathbf{S} \perp \mathbf{N}$ DM is of.

$\mathbf{H} \perp \mathbf{N}$. Ferromagnet at $H > Ak^2/2$.

First order transition?

AF case.

AF conical cycloid up to $H \sim J$.

$\mathbf{H} \parallel \mathbf{N}$. AF at $H > Ak^2/2$

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C_4 ANISOTROPY 1

Anisotropy: $\mathbf{N} \parallel C_4$

Two A: Intrinsic, DM.

A energy

$$E \sim [(\sin^4 \phi + \cos^4 \phi)$$

$$-(H/H_C)^2 \cos^2(\phi - \psi)]$$

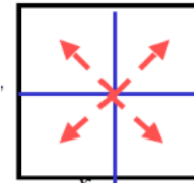
$$\text{DM: } H_C \sim Ak^2.$$

$$\mathbf{H} = H(\cos \psi, \sin \psi)$$

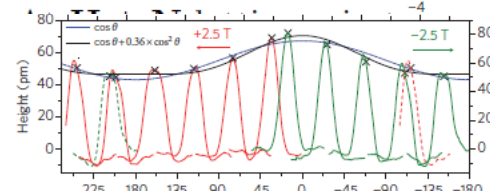
$$\hat{c} = (\cos \phi, \sin \phi).$$

$$H = 0; = (1,1)/\sqrt{2} \perp \mathbf{k}.$$

$H > H_C$ rotate (\hat{c}, \mathbf{k}) cross



MnonW, 2DAFlayer



MULTIFERROIKS

- MF (Smolenskii) are compounds with strong connection between electric (P) and magnetic (M) polarizations.
- One can manipulate P by magnetic field H and M by electric field E .
- However direct interactions ($P H$) and ($M E$) are forbidden as contradict parity conservation laws.

C and P CONNECTION

\mathbf{P} is a result of the lattice deformation with the inversion breaking. It may be the ion (O^{2-} ?) shifting:

$\mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{u}$ with

the energy gain $\Delta E = -Ku^2/2$.

We get $\mathbf{P} \sim \mathbf{u}$ and

$\delta\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2} \sim [\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2 \times \mathbf{u}]$.

Direct connection between chirality \mathbf{C} and \mathbf{P} .

$$\mathbf{u} \sim [\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2 \times \mathbf{C}] / K,$$
$$\mathbf{C} = [\mathbf{S}_1 \times \mathbf{S}_2].$$

FINAL

WHAT IS NOT SAID?

- C fluctuations
- Dynamical chirality

MAGNETIC FIELD N ANISOTROPY

THEORY

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Planar helix (Mn Si).

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