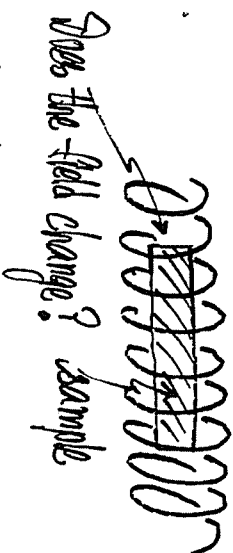


VII. Magnetic Properties

The question is: What happens when a solid is placed in a magnetic field?



Most materials: Only tiny changes/virtually no effect

Large changes only in a few materials<sup>+</sup>

- Magnetic materials

(e.g. Fe, Co, Ni, Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>)

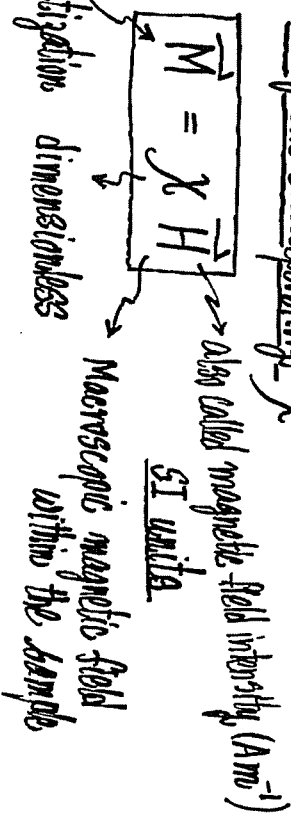
Large changes ~ field near sample may change by a factor of 10<sup>2</sup> to 10<sup>3</sup>.

+ Comparing the number of magnetic and non-magnetic materials, magnetic materials are rare, but they form an important class of materials for both academic and practical reasons.

A. Magnetic susceptibility  $\chi$

- The magnetic effects of materials is quantified by

the magnetic susceptibility  $\chi$



magnetic moment per unit volume ( $\frac{m^2 \cdot A}{m^3} = A m^{-1}$ )

•  $\chi < 0$  diamagnetic [usually  $|\chi| \ll 1$  for diamagnetic materials

e.g.  $\chi \sim -8.1 \times 10^{-6}$  for ice]

•  $\chi > 0$  paramagnetic or ferromagnetic

alignments of

permanent magnetic

moments by external field against thermal effects

(e.g. CuSO<sub>4</sub>)

$\chi \sim 3.8 \times 10^{-4}$  at  $T=300K$ )

typical of paramagnetic materials

due to interactions between permanent dipole moments

alignments of moments at low temp, even without an applied field (spontaneous magnetization)

$M = \chi H$

•  $\chi$  carries no units

• But sometimes, it is referred to as "the susceptibility per unit volume" or "volume susceptibility". Even so, it is dimensionless.

• Data books sometimes give

- susceptibility per unit mass or mass susceptibility

- susceptibility per mole or molar susceptibility

$\chi_{molar} = \chi_{vol} \leftarrow \text{molar volume (m}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1})$

•  $\chi_{SI}$  is related to  $\chi_{CGS}$  by

$\chi_{SI} = 4\pi \chi_{CGS}$   
 SI units  $\leftarrow$  CGS units

$\chi_m = \chi_{molar}$  for solid elements at room temperature (m<sup>3</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>)

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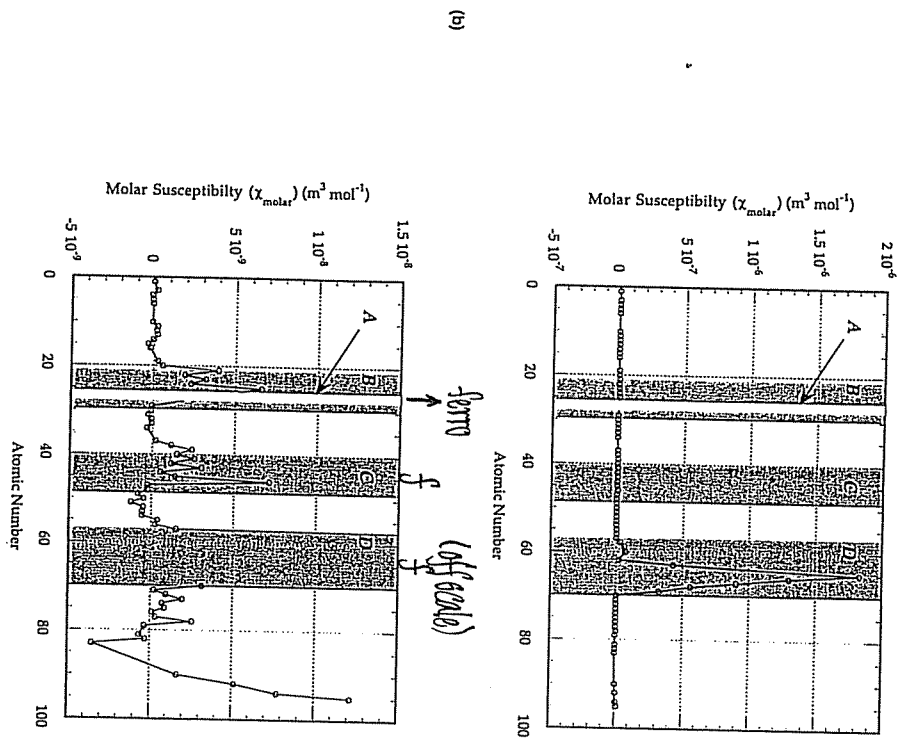
Table W2.1 Molar magnetic susceptibility of the elements at around room temperature. The data are large in Figure W2.3. The shading in the table corresponds to the shading in Figure and highlights elements with a large susceptibilities.

| Z  | Element, atomic mass (u) and density (kg m <sup>-3</sup> ) | $\chi_m$ (m <sup>3</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> ) | Z     | Element, atomic mass (u) and density (kg m <sup>-3</sup> ) | $\chi_m$ (m <sup>3</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> ) |
|----|--|--|-------|--|--|
| 1  | Hydrogen, H  | 1.008  | 89    | 120  | —  |
| 2  | Helium, He   | 4.003  | 120   | 120  | —  |
| 3  | Lithium, Li  | 6.941  | 533   | 121  | —  |
| 4  | Beryllium, Be  | 9.012  | 1846  | 122  | —  |
| 5  | Boron, B   | 10.81  | 2466  | 123  | —  |
| 6  | Carbon, C  | 12.01  | 2266  | 124  | —  |
| 7  | Nitrogen, N  | 14.01  | 1035  | 125  | —  |
| 8  | Oxygen, O  | 16   | 1460  | 126  | —  |
| 9  | Fluorine, F  | 19   | 1140  | 127  | —  |
| 10 | Neon, Ne   | 20.18  | 1442  | 128  | —  |
| 11 | Sodium, Na   | 22.99  | 966   | 129  | —  |
| 12 | Magnesium, Mg  | 24.31  | 1738  | 130  | —  |
| 13 | Aluminium, Al  | 26.98  | 2598  | 131  | —  |
| 14 | Silicon, Si  | 28.09  | 2329  | 132  | —  |
| 15 | Phosphorus, P  | 30.97  | 1920  | 133  | —  |
| 16 | Sulphur, S   | 32.06  | 2086  | 134  | —  |
| 17 | Chlorine, Cl   | 35.45  | 2030  | 135  | —  |
| 18 | Argon, Ar  | 39.1   | 1656  | 136  | —  |
| 19 | Potassium, K   | 39.1   | 862   | 137  | —  |
| 20 | Calcium, Ca  | 40.08  | 1530  | 138  | —  |
| 21 | Scandium, Sc   | 44.96  | 3983  | 139  | —  |
| 22 | Titanium, Ti   | 47.88  | 4508  | 140  | —  |
| 23 | Vanadium, V  | 50.94  | 6090  | 141  | —  |
| 24 | Chromium, Cr   | 52.00  | 7194  | 142  | —  |
| 25 | Manganese, Mn  | 54.94  | 7478  | 143  | —  |
| 26 | Iron, Fe   | 55.85  | 7874  | 144  | —  |
| 27 | Cobalt, Co   | 58.93  | 8900  | 145  | —  |
| 28 | Nickel, Ni   | 58.69  | 8900  | 146  | —  |
| 29 | Copper, Cu   | 63.55  | 8933  | 147  | —  |
| 30 | Zinc, Zn   | 65.38  | 7135  | 148  | —  |
| 31 | Gallium, Ga  | 69.72  | 5905  | 149  | —  |
| 32 | Germanium, Ge  | 72.59  | 5323  | 150  | —  |
| 33 | Arsenic, As  | 74.92  | 5776  | 151  | —  |
| 34 | Selenium, Se   | 78.96  | 4808  | 152  | —  |
| 35 | Bromine, Br  | 79.9   | 3120  | 153  | —  |
| 36 | Krypton, Kr  | 83.8   | 3000  | 154  | —  |
| 37 | Rubidium, Rb   | 85.47  | 1533  | 155  | —  |
| 38 | Strontium, Sr  | 87.62  | 2583  | 156  | —  |
| 39 | Yttrium, Y   | 88.91  | 4727  | 157  | —  |
| 40 | Zirconium, Zr  | 91.22  | 6507  | 158  | —  |
| 41 | Niobium, Nb  | 92.91  | 6576  | 159  | —  |
| 42 | Molybdenum, Mo   | 95.94  | 10222 | 160  | —  |
| 43 | Technetium, Tc   | 97   | 11700 | 161  | —  |
| 44 | Ruthenium, Ru  | 101.1  | 12360 | 162  | —  |
| 45 | Rhodium, Rh  | 102.9  | 12420 | 163  | —  |
| 46 | Palladium, Pd  | 106.3  | 11995 | 164  | —  |
| 47 | Silver, Ag   | 107.9  | 10500 | 165  | —  |
| 48 | Cadmium, Cd  | 112.4  | 8647  | 166  | —  |
| 49 | Indium, In   | 114.8  | 7290  | 167  | —  |
| 50 | Tin, Sn  | 118.7  | 7285  | 168  | —  |
| 51 | Antimony, Sb   | 121.7  | 6692  | 169  | —  |
| 52 | Tellurium, Te  | 127.6  | 6247  | 170  | —  |
| 53 | Iodine, I  | 126.9  | 4953  | 171  | —  |
| 54 | Xenon, Xe  | 131.3  | 3560  | 172  | —  |
| 55 | Cesium, Cs   | 132.9  | 1900  | 173  | —  |
| 56 | Barium, Ba   | 137.3  | 3594  | 174  | —  |
| 57 | Lanthanum, La  | 138.9  | 6717  | 175  | —  |
| 58 | Cerium, Ce   | 140.1  | 6717  | 176  | —  |
| 59 | Praseodymium, Pr   | 140.9  | 6779  | 177  | —  |
| 60 | Neodymium, Nd  | 144.2  | 7090  | 178  | —  |
| 61 | Europium, Eu   | 151.96                                       | 5243  | 179  | —  |
| 62 | Gadolinium, Gd   | 157.25                                       | 7820  | 180  | —  |
| 63 | Terbium, Tb  | 158.93                                       | 7490  | 181  | —  |
| 64 | Dysprosium, Dy   | 162.5  | 8531  | 182  | —  |
| 65 | Hoium, Ho  | 164.9  | 8797  | 183  | —  |
| 66 | Erbium, Er   | 167.26                                       | 9044  | 184  | —  |
| 67 | Thulium, Tm  | 168.93                                       | 9325  | 185  | —  |
| 68 | Ytterbium, Yb  | 173.05                                       | 9582  | 186  | —  |
| 69 | Lutetium, Lu   | 174.97                                       | 9742  | 187  | —  |
| 70 | Hafnium, Hf  | 178.5  | 13276 | 188  | —  |
| 71 | Tantalum, Ta   | 180.9  | 16670 | 189  | —  |
| 72 | Tungsten, W  | 183.9  | 19254 | 190  | —  |
| 73 | Rhenium, Re  | 186.2  | 21023 | 191  | —  |
| 74 | Osmium, Os   | 190.2  | 22560 | 192  | —  |
| 75 | Iridium, Ir  | 192.2  | 22550 | 193  | —  |
| 76 | Platinum, Pt   | 195.1  | 21450 | 194  | —  |
| 77 | Gold, Au   | 197  | 19281 | 195  | —  |
| 78 | Mercury, Hg  | 200.6  | 13546 | 196  | —  |
| 79 | Thallium, Tl   | 204.4  | 11871 | 197  | —  |
| 80 | Lead, Pb   | 207.2  | 11343 | 198  | —  |
| 81 | Bismuth, Bi  | 209  | 9803  | 199  | —  |
| 82 | Polonium, Po   | 209  | 9400  | 200  | —  |
| 83 | Astatine, At   | 210  | —     | 201  | —  |
| 84 | Radium, Ra   | 226  | —     | 202  | —  |
| 85 | Francium, Fr   | 223  | —     | 203  | —  |
| 86 | Radium, Ra   | 226  | —     | 204  | —  |
| 87 | Actinium, Ac   | 227  | —     | 205  | —  |
| 88 | Thorium, Th  | 232  | —     | 206  | —  |
| 89 | Protactinium, Pa   | 231  | —     | 207  | —  |
| 90 | Uranium, U   | 238  | —     | 208  | —  |
| 91 | Nepotium, Np   | 237  | —     | 209  | —  |
| 92 | Plutonium, Pu  | 244  | —     | 210  | —  |
| 93 | Americium, Am  | 243  | —     | 211  | —  |

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- Most elemental solids: paramagnetic or diamagnetic
- Only a few are ferromagnetic.

Figure W2.3 Summary of molar magnetic susceptibility data for the solid elements shown (a) at a large scale and (b) on a detailed scale. The bands B, C and D mark the first and second row of transition elements, and the lanthanide series. The band A marks the ferromagnetic elements Fe, Co and Ni. Note: points greater than zero correspond to a paramagnetic response and points less than zero correspond to a diamagnetic response.



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free space

$$\vec{B}, \vec{H}$$

due to some source (current) outside

$$\vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{H}$$

"magnetic induction"



$$\vec{B} = ?$$

$$\vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{H} + \mu_0 \vec{M} = \mu_0 (\vec{H} + \vec{M})$$

$\vec{B}$  is altered by presence of material

$$\vec{B} = \mu_0 (\vec{H} + \chi \vec{H}) = \mu_0 (1 + \chi) \vec{H}$$

$$\equiv \mu_0 \mu_r \vec{H} = \mu \vec{H}$$

permeability

$\mu_r = 1 + \chi$   
 relative permeability  
 magnetic susceptibility

For para and dia magnetic materials,  $|\chi| \ll 1$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_r \approx 1 \text{ or } \mu \approx \mu_0$$

B. Magnetic Moment of an atom

- The magnetic properties of materials come from:
  - magnetic moments of the atoms (or group of atoms)
  - interaction between moments and interaction between moments and applied field.

(a) Electron Spin

Recall: Spin angular momentum  $\vec{S}$

$S = \text{magnitude of spin } \vec{S} = \sqrt{s(s+1)} \hbar$

Electrons:  $s = \frac{1}{2}$  ("spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  particle")

$S_z = m_s \hbar$  where  $m_s = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}$

so that

$S_z = \pm \frac{\hbar}{2}$  or  $-\frac{\hbar}{2}$  for an electron

Associated with  $\vec{S}$  is a magnetic moment  $\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}}$ :

$$\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}} = -\frac{e}{m_e} \vec{S}$$

Writing  $\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}} = -\frac{e}{2m_e} g_s \vec{S}$ , we have  $g_s = 2$

+ Spin or spin angular momentum has no classical analogy. Hence, the origin of magnetism is entirely Quantum in nature.

- Since  $S_z$  can only be  $\pm \frac{\hbar}{2}$  or  $-\frac{\hbar}{2}$ , a measurement of  $\mu_z$  along any direction can only yield one of the two values
 

|                        |    |                        |
|------------------------|----|------------------------|
| $+\frac{e\hbar}{2m_e}$ | or | $-\frac{e\hbar}{2m_e}$ |
|                        |    |                        |
| + $\mu_B$              |    | - $\mu_B$              |

$$\mu_B = \text{"Bohr Magneton"} = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} = 9.27 \times 10^{-24} \underbrace{\text{A} \cdot \text{m}^2}_{\text{or J/Tesla}}$$

Remarks:

- We use  $g_s = 2$ . Note that "spin" is not included in non-relativistic QM (Schrödinger). The search of a theory from which  $g_s$  can be calculated had led to the establishment of QED. The accuracy of  $g_s$ , when compared with high precision experimental value, obtained by QED calculations is the most accurate calculation from a theory of physics.
- We have protons and neutrons (spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ ) in a nucleus, but  $\mu_{\text{spin}}$  is much smaller than that of electrons.

(b) Orbital Magnetic Moment

Electron in an atom has orbital angular momentum  $\vec{L}$

$L = \text{magnitude of } \vec{L} = \sqrt{L(L+1)} \hbar$

$L_z = m_l \hbar$  with  $m_l = l, l-1, \dots, -l$

Associated with  $\vec{L}$  is an orbital magnetic moment  $\vec{\mu}_{orb}$

$$\vec{\mu}_{orb} = \frac{-e}{2m_e} \vec{L}$$

$\therefore$  The component of  $\vec{\mu}_{orb}$  along a direction can take on one of the  $(2l+1)$  values.

Remarks

- Spin angular momentum or simply "spin" is an intrinsic property of a particle, just like the charge and mass.

- Orbital angular momentum is an extrinsic property, i.e., it depends on the state of the electron, e.g. an electron in a hydrogen atom can be in  $s (l=0)$ ,  $p (l=1)$ ,  $d (l=2)$ ,  $f (l=3)$  states or in a state with no definite value of  $L$ .

$\square$  Writing  $\vec{\mu}_{spin}$  and  $\vec{\mu}_{orb}$  in the same form:

$\vec{\mu} = \frac{-e}{2m_e} g (\text{corresponding angular momentum})$

$g = 2$  spin angular momentum

$g = 1$  orbital angular momentum

But spin and orbital effects may be coupled

(spin-orbit interaction)<sup>+</sup>

Russell-Saunders coupling scheme

add up  $\vec{L}$  of electrons, add up  $\vec{S}$  of electrons, then couple

$\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$  (total angular momentum)

$|\vec{J}| = \sqrt{j(j+1)} \hbar$

Write:

$|\mu_J| = \frac{-e}{2m_e} g |\vec{J}|$

$= \frac{-e\hbar}{2m_e} g \sqrt{j(j+1)}$

$= -\mu_B g \sqrt{j(j+1)}$

$g = \text{Landé } g\text{-factor}$

Note:  $\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_{spin} + \vec{\mu}_{orb} \propto (2\vec{S} + \vec{L})$  is not parallel to  $\vec{J}$

<sup>+</sup> Another scheme of coupling is to get  $\vec{J}$  for each electron first and then couple the  $\vec{J}$ 's (JJ coupling).

(c) Multi-electron Atoms

- Each electron has  $\vec{S}$  and  $\vec{L}$  ( $\vec{\mu}_{spin}$  and  $\vec{\mu}_{orb}$ )
- Pauli Exclusion Principle  $\Rightarrow$  each atomic orbital can hold at most two electrons with opposite spin.
- Complete (filled/half) shells do not contribute to the magnetic moment of the atom.

Only incomplete shells and unpaired electrons contribute to atomic magnetic moment.

- Transition metals have incomplete shell (d-shell) and have the strongest moment. [Hund's rule for isolated ions]

Atoms with zero magnetic moment: Diamagnetism  
 Atoms with non-zero magnetic moment: Paramagnetism or Ferromagnetism.

+ There are also contributions due to spin and orbital response of conduction electrons.

C. General Picture

In a solid, there are

- electrons in the filled core orbitals (core electrons)
  - electrons in partially-filled orbitals (also "core electrons") that belong to the ions
  - conduction electrons (metals)
- and electron responds to  $\vec{H}$  in two ways:
- spin response
  - orbital response
- $\searrow$  may couple into  $\vec{S}$

|  | <u>Spin Response</u>  | <u>Orbital response</u>       |
|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Core Electrons (filled shells)           | No response (all cancelled)                                 | Diamagnetic (Larmor/Langevin) |
| Core Electrons (partially-filled shells) | Paramagnetic (Curie)  | Paramagnetic (Curie)          |
|  | $\searrow$ may couple into $\vec{S}$ (Paramagnetic) (Curie) |                               |
| Conduction electrons (metal)             | Paramagnetic (Pauli)  | Diamagnetic (Landau)          |

Experimentally, one measures the combined net effect.

D. Diamagnetism

- Observed in solids in which the basic entities have closed shell structure (e.g., Ne, Ar, Kr, ions in ionic crystals)

But the diamagnetic effect is actually there for all core electrons

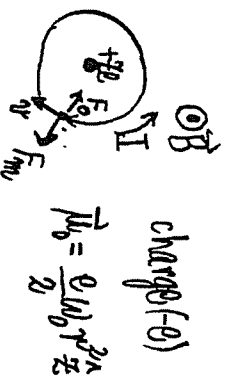
- become apparent when ions/atoms do not have magnetic moment (full shells)
- masked by other effects (e.g. paramagnetic) when ions/atoms have magnetic moment.

• Its stems from Lenz's Law

(i) Classical Description

Consider an electron (-e) in circular orbit around a fixed nucleus (+Ze)

$\omega_0 =$  angular speed



$\vec{B} = 0, F_c = \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = m\omega_0^2 r$

$\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$ ,

$F_c - F_m = m\omega_0^2 r$

$m\omega_0^2 r - eBr\omega = m\omega^2 r$

modified due to  $\vec{B}$

$\Rightarrow \omega \approx \omega_0 - \frac{eB}{2m}$

(for small field)

$\vec{\mu} = \frac{e}{2} (\omega_0 - \frac{eB}{2m}) r^2 \hat{z}$

$= \vec{\mu}_0 - \frac{e^2 r^2}{4m} B\hat{z}$

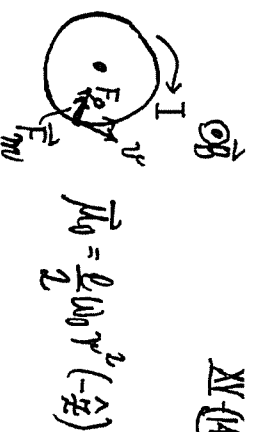
$= \vec{\mu}_0 + \Delta\vec{\mu}$

$\Delta\vec{\mu} = -\frac{e^2 r^2}{4m} B\hat{z}$

$= -\frac{e^2 r^2}{4m} \vec{B}$

antiparallel to  $\vec{B}$

↓ diamagnetic response



$\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$

$F_c + F_m = m\omega_0^2 r$

$m\omega_0^2 r + eBr\omega = m\omega^2 r$

modified due to  $\vec{B}$

$\Rightarrow \omega \approx \omega_0 + \frac{eB}{2m}$

(for small field)

$\vec{\mu} = -\frac{e}{2} (\omega_0 + \frac{eB}{2m}) r^2 \hat{z}$

$= -\vec{\mu}_0 - \frac{e^2 r^2}{4m} B\hat{z}$

$= \vec{\mu}_0 + \Delta\vec{\mu}$

$\Delta\vec{\mu} = -\frac{e^2 r^2}{4m} B\hat{z}$

antiparallel to  $\vec{B} = +B\hat{z}$

↓ diamagnetic response

- Every orbiting electron is expected to respond as

$$\Delta\mu = -\frac{e^2 r^2}{4\pi m} B \quad (*)$$

- A better estimation:

- QM: orbitals in 3D (not 2D)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{"}r^2\text{" in } \langle x^2 \rangle + \langle y^2 \rangle \text{ in QM} \\ \approx \frac{2}{3} \langle r^2 \rangle \text{ in QM} \\ = \frac{2}{3} r^2 \end{aligned}$$

∴ every orbiting electron is expected to respond as

$$\Delta\mu = -\frac{e^2 r^2}{6\pi m} B$$

- Counting:

$N_e$  = number of electrons in atom (Z)/ion

$$N = \frac{N_{\text{at}}}{V} = \frac{\text{number of atoms in volume } V}{V}$$

$$\therefore N_e \cdot N = N_e \cdot \frac{N_{\text{at}}}{V} = \# \text{ electrons per unit volume}$$

$$\vec{M} = -\left(\frac{e^2}{6\pi m} r^2\right) \cdot N_e \cdot \frac{N_{\text{at}}}{V} \vec{B} = \text{magnetic moments per unit volume}$$

$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H} \approx \mu_0 \vec{H} \quad (\text{since expect } \chi \text{ to be small, compared to } 1)$$

$$\vec{M} = -\frac{\mu_0 e^2}{6\pi m} \cdot N_e \cdot \frac{N_{\text{at}}}{V} r^2 \vec{H} \quad \mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ N}\cdot\text{Amp}^{-2}$$

a negative magnetic susceptibility

$$\chi = -\frac{\mu_0 e^2}{6\pi m} \cdot N_e \cdot \frac{N_{\text{at}}}{V} r^2$$

Larmor diamagnetic susceptibility

Estimate:

Typical:

$$\frac{N_{\text{at}}}{V} \approx 10^{29} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

Solid Argon: (at 4K)

$$\frac{N_{\text{at}}}{V} = 2.66 \times 10^{28} \text{ m}^{-3}$$

$$N_e \approx 10$$

$$N_e = 18$$

$$r^2 \sim \text{\AA}^2 \sim 10^{-20} \text{ m}^2$$

$$r^2 \sim 10^{-20} \text{ m}^2$$

$$\chi \approx -10^{-5} \quad (\ll 1)$$

$$\chi \approx -1.08 \times 10^{-5} \quad (\ll 1)$$

$$|\mu_0 M| \sim |\chi| B \sim 10^{-5} B \ll B \quad (\text{a weak response})$$

$$\chi_{\text{molar}} = \chi \cdot V_{\text{molar}} = \chi \cdot \left(\frac{V}{N_{\text{at}}} \cdot N_A\right) \quad \text{Avogadro's number}$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_{\text{molar}} \sim -10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$$



|                 | $\chi$                |                  | $\chi$               |
|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| He              | $-1.9 \times 10^{-6}$ | Li <sup>+</sup>  | $0.7 \times 10^{-6}$ |
| Ne              | -7.6                  | Na <sup>+</sup>  | 6.1                  |
| Ar              | -19                   | K <sup>+</sup>   | 14.6                 |
| Kr              | -29                   | Mg <sup>2+</sup> | 4.3                  |
| Xe              | -44                   | Ca <sup>2+</sup> | 10.7                 |
| F <sup>-</sup>  | -9.4                  | S <sup>2+</sup>  | 18.0                 |
| Cl <sup>-</sup> | -24.2                 |                  |                      |
| Br <sup>-</sup> | -34.5                 |                  |                      |

- Some data on diamagnetic materials
- Observe that  $\chi$  is more negative when there are more electrons in the closed shell structure
- This diamagnetic response is there for every core electron

note: electrons involved in covalent bonds or metallic bonds have orbits very different from what we considered!

$\chi \sim 10^{-5} - (-10^{-6}) \ll 1$

When there are other responses, this small diamagnetic response is usually covered up!

(ii) Diamagnetism: Quantum Mechanical Description

- Spin is something extra in non-relativistic QM
- In the presence of a field  $\vec{B}$ , there is an interaction (potential) energy

$(-\mu_{\text{spin}} \cdot \vec{B})$  in the Hamiltonian

$\mu_{\text{spin}} = -\frac{e}{2m_e} g_s \vec{S}$  with  $g_s = 2$  for most purposes

How about  $\vec{L}$  orb?

- taken care of by properly handling the kinetic energy terms in the Hamiltonian
- $\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} \leftarrow$  vector potential

particle of mass  $m$  and charge  $q$ :

K.E. =  $\frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{1}{2m} (\vec{p} - q\vec{A})^2$

- For an electron ( $q=-e$ ) in an external magnetic induction  $\vec{B}$ :
- the canonical momentum is the  $\vec{p}$  that becomes  $-i\hbar \vec{\nabla}$  in QM

$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2m_e} (\vec{p} + e\vec{A})^2 - \mu_{\text{spin}} \cdot \vec{B} + \text{Atom}(r)$  (1)

For  $\vec{B} = g\hat{z}$ , a possible choice is  $\vec{A} = (-By, \frac{Bx}{2}, 0)$  Coulomb gauge

- Eq. (1) includes the effects of applied magnetic field (not only diamagnetic response)
- More properly, include  $V_{atom}(r^2)$  for an atom and  $V(r)$  for a crystal
- Here, we focus on the extra terms due to  $\vec{B}$

Write  $\hat{H}$  out: leads to diamagnetic response due to spin

$$\hat{H} = \underbrace{\frac{p^2}{2m_e}}_{\hat{H}_0(\vec{B}=0)} + \underbrace{V_{atom}(r^2)}_{\sim B^2} + \underbrace{\frac{eB}{2m_e}(\alpha p_x - \gamma p_x)}_{L_z} + \underbrace{\frac{e^2 B^2}{8m_e}(x^2 + y^2)}_{\sim B^2 \text{ (diamagnetic)}} + \underbrace{\frac{eB}{m_e} S_z}_{\text{spin}}$$

$\hat{H}_1$  (perturbation due to  $\vec{B}$ )

For an atom with  $N_e$  electrons:

$$\hat{H}_1 = \frac{eB}{2m_e} \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} (L_{zj} + 2S_{zj}) + \frac{e^2 B^2}{8m_e} \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} (x_j^2 + y_j^2)$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{eB}{2m_e} (L_z + 2S_z)}_{\sim B} + \underbrace{\frac{e^2 B^2}{8m_e} \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} (x_j^2 + y_j^2)}_{\sim B^2}$$

where  $L_z = \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} L_{zj}$  ;  $S_z = \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} S_{zj}$

(z-component of total orbital angular momentum)      (z-component of total spin angular momentum)

$$\hat{H}_1 = \underbrace{\frac{eB}{2m_e} (L_z + 2S_z)}_{\sim B \text{ (paramagnetic)}} + \underbrace{\frac{e^2 B^2}{8m_e} \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} (x_j^2 + y_j^2)}_{\sim B^2 \text{ (diamagnetic)}}$$

(para magnetic)      (diamagnetic)

• Only when paramagnetic term does not contribute, the diamagnetic term will be apparent.

• When  $\vec{B} = 0$ ,  $\hat{H}_0 |\Psi_0\rangle = E_0 |\Psi_0\rangle$

ground state      ground state energy

•  $\vec{B} \neq 0$ , ground state energy is shifted by

$$\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{H}_1 | \Psi_0 \rangle \quad (\text{1st order perturbation theory})$$

• Closed shell (e.g. full p-shell, full s-shell)

$$\Rightarrow \langle \Psi_0 | L_z | \Psi_0 \rangle = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_0 \rangle = 0$$

(ground state has zero magnetic moment, since it is spherically symmetric)

Thus,  $\sim B$  terms does not contribute.

In this case, the shift in energy is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{e^2 B^2}{8 m_e} \langle \Psi_0 | \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} (x_j^2 + y_j^2) | \Psi_0 \rangle \\ &= \frac{e^2 B^2}{8 m_e} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \langle \Psi_0 | \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} (x_j^2 + y_j^2 + z_j^2) | \Psi_0 \rangle \\ &= \frac{e^2 B^2}{12 m_e} \langle \Psi_0 | \sum_{j=1}^{N_e} r_j^2 | \Psi_0 \rangle \\ &= \frac{e^2 B^2}{12 m_e} \cdot N_e \langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{e^2 B^2}{12 m_e} \cdot N_e \overline{r^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E_{0, \text{perturbed}} = E_0 + \underbrace{\frac{e^2 B^2}{12 m_e} \cdot N_e \overline{r^2}}_{\sim B^2 \text{ correction}}$$

Induced magnetic moment (in an atom/ion)

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_z &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial B} \left( \frac{e^2 B^2}{12 m_e} \cdot N_e \overline{r^2} \right) \\ &= -\frac{e^2}{6 m_e} \cdot N_e \cdot \overline{r^2} \cdot B \end{aligned}$$

this is the same result as obtained by classical treatment  
diamagnetic

E. Atoms with a partially filled shell

- leads to paramagnetism and ferromagnetism

Now  $\langle \Psi_0 | (L_z + 2S_z) | \Psi_0 \rangle \neq 0$  (see (\*) on p. XIV-22)

and the atom has a permanent magnetic moment

$$\vec{\mu} = -\frac{\mu_B}{\hbar} (L + 2S)$$

where  $L = \sum_i L_i$  sum over electrons in atom

$$S = \sum_i S_i$$

[Note: Contribution of a closed shell = 0]

In general, there is spin-orbit interaction.

In this case, useful to form

$$\vec{J} = L + S$$

total angular momentum

LS coupling: energy states of atom are simultaneous eigenstates of  $J^2, J_z, L^2, S^2$   
(instead of  $L^2, L_z, S^2, S_z$ )

Quantum physics:

$$\hat{J}^2 |J, m_J, L, S\rangle = J(J+1)\hbar^2 |J, m_J, L, S\rangle$$

$$\hat{L}^2 |J, m_J, L, S\rangle = L(L+1)\hbar^2 |J, m_J, L, S\rangle$$

$$\hat{S}^2 |J, m_J, L, S\rangle = S(S+1)\hbar^2 |J, m_J, L, S\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_z |J, m_J, L, S\rangle = m_J \hbar |J, m_J, L, S\rangle$$

where  $m_J$  can only take on values  $J, J-1, \dots, -J+1, -J$

From QM consideration, values of  $L, S, J$  for the states of lowest energy (work for isolated atoms or ions in weak applied fields) are determined by Hund's rules. These rules should be applied one by one in order.

HR1:  $S$  takes the maximum value allowed by the Pauli Exclusion Principle — as many as possible of the electrons must have parallel spins. [Each electron, up to half the number of states in the shell, gives  $+\frac{1}{2}$  to  $S$ . Beyond half-fill, each contributes  $-\frac{1}{2}$  to  $S$ .]

HR2:  $L$  takes the maximum value consistent with the value of  $S$  — the electrons have their orbital angular momentum as well aligned as possible.

HR3:  $J = |L - S|$  for a shell less than half-full  
 $J = L + S$  for a shell more than half-full

Examples:

| Number of 3d electrons  | $V^{3+}$                                 | $Fe^{3+}$  |
|---|--|--|
| 2   |  |  |
| Occupancy of states as given by Hund's rules                                  | $S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$<br>$= 1$ | $S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$<br>$= 2$ |
| Hund's rule 1: determination of $S$ . Make as many spins parallel as possible | $L = \sum l_i$<br>$= 2 + 1 = 3$          | $L = 2 + 1 + 0 - 1 - 2 + 2$<br>$= 2$   |
| Hund's rule 2: determination of $L$ . Make $\sum l_i$ as large as possible    | Shell less than half-full                | Shell more than half-full  |
| Hund's rule 3: determination of $J$ .   | $J =  L - S  = 2$                        | $J = L + S = 4$  |
| Spectroscopic notation, $2s+1L_J$   | $3F_2$                                   | $4D_5$   |

Use of Hund's rules to calculate the quantum numbers  $S, L$  and  $J$  of the ground states of the  $V^{3+}$  and  $Fe^{3+}$  ions. The 3d shell has  $l = 2$  so there are  $2l + 1$  sublevels corresponding to  $l_z = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$  as indicated. In the spectroscopic notation, values of  $L$  of 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, ... are indicated by letters S, P, D, F, G, H, I, ...

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 $L_J$

Remarks:

- HR1 and HR2, which determine the values of L and S, are robust [∴ associated with Coulomb interaction between electrons]
- HR3, which determines the value of J, is not as robust. It works for isolated atoms/ions and weak applied fields. [∴ associated with spin-orbit interaction, and thus with an internal magnetic field generated by relative motion of electron and nucleus]
- May fail in a large applied field and/or under the influence of neighboring ions in a solid.

F. Interaction of a permanent dipole moment with an

applied magnetic field

- partially filled shells: magnetic moments
  - $\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$ 
    - ↖ useful because  $\vec{L}$  and  $\vec{S}$  couple and they are no longer good quantum numbers
- [J,  $m_J$ , L, S] instead of [L,  $m_L$ , S,  $m_S$ ]

Note:  $\vec{\mu}_{total} = -\frac{\mu_B}{\hbar} (\vec{L} + 2\vec{S})$  is NOT parallel to  $\vec{J}$

- Key idea:

Due to L-S coupling, the atoms/ions react to an applied field  $\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$  as if they have an effective magnetic dipole moment  $\vec{\mu}_{eff}$  corresponding to the component of  $\vec{\mu}_{total}$  parallel to  $\vec{J}$ .

Write:

$$\vec{\mu}_{eff} = -\frac{\mu_B}{\hbar} g \vec{J}$$

Lande g-factor

The Landé g-factor: A classical description +

$$\vec{\mu}_{total} \propto \vec{L} + 2\vec{S} = \frac{-\mu_B}{\hbar} (\vec{L} + 2\vec{S})$$

Need the projection of  $\vec{L} + 2\vec{S}$  in the direction of  $\vec{J}$

∴ want to get

$$\vec{\mu}_{eff} = \left( \vec{\mu}_{total} \cdot \frac{\vec{J}}{J} \right) \frac{\vec{J}}{J} \equiv \frac{-\mu_B}{\hbar} g \vec{J}$$

we unit vector in  $\vec{J}$

$$g = \frac{(\vec{L} + 2\vec{S}) \cdot \vec{J}}{J^2}$$

$$g = (\vec{L} + \vec{S} + \vec{S}) \cdot \frac{\vec{J}}{J^2} = (\vec{J} + \vec{S}) \cdot \frac{\vec{J}}{J^2} = 1 + \frac{\vec{J} \cdot \vec{S}}{J^2}$$

$$\therefore \vec{L} + \vec{S} = \vec{J} \Rightarrow \vec{L} = \vec{J} - \vec{S} \Rightarrow L^2 = J^2 + S^2 - 2\vec{J} \cdot \vec{S}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{J} \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{1}{2} (J^2 + S^2 - L^2)$$

$$g = 1 + \frac{J^2 + S^2 - L^2}{2J^2} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{(L^2 - S^2)}{2J^2}$$

classical

QM:  $J^2 \rightarrow J(J+1)\hbar^2$ ;  $S^2 \rightarrow S(S+1)\hbar^2$ ;  $L^2 \rightarrow L(L+1)\hbar^2$

$$g = 1 + \frac{J(J+1) + S(S+1) - L(L+1)}{2J(J+1)} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{L(L+1) - S(S+1)}{2J(J+1)}$$

+ See Ashcroft and Mermin, "Solid State Physics" (Appendix B) for a quantum mechanical treatment.

Given atoms/ions:

- (i) Hund's rules  $\Rightarrow S, L, J$
- (ii)  $S, L, J \Rightarrow$  Landé g factor
- (iii)  $\vec{\mu}_{eff} = -\frac{\mu_B}{\hbar} g \vec{J}$

Atomic Physics

In the presence of an applied field  $\vec{B}$ :

$$-\vec{\mu}_{eff} \cdot \vec{B}$$

appears in the Hamiltonian (c.f. Zeeman effect)

For  $\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$ , the extra term becomes:

$$-\vec{\mu}_{eff} \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_B}{\hbar} g \vec{J} \cdot \hat{z} B = \frac{\mu_B}{\hbar} g B J_z$$

In QM, this becomes an operator

$$\frac{\mu_B g B}{\hbar} \hat{J}_z$$

has eigenvalues  $m_J \hbar$

In a state with  $|J, m_J, L, S\rangle$ , it is also an

eigenstate of  $\frac{\mu_B g B}{\hbar} \hat{J}_z$

$$\frac{\mu_B g B}{\hbar} \hat{J}_z |J, m_J, L, S\rangle = (\mu_B g B m_J) |J, m_J, L, S\rangle$$

∴  $\vec{B}$  lifts the degeneracy in  $m_J$  in energy eigenvalue

extra term depends on  $m_J$

e.g.  $J=2$

$B=0$

5-fold degenerate  
 $m_J = 2, 1, 0, -1, -2$

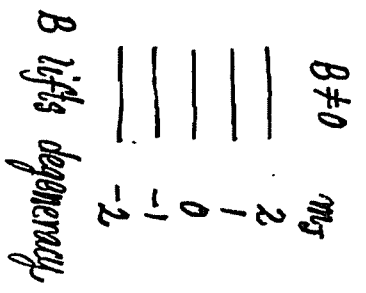
Examples:

$V^{3+}$   
 $S=1$   
 $L=3$   
 $g=3/2$

$3F_2$

$\Delta E = g\mu_B B m_J$

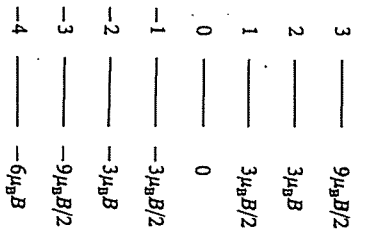
$g\mu_B B \downarrow$



$5D_4$

$Fe^{3+}$   
 $S=2$   
 $L=2$   
 $g=3/2$

$m_J$



Splitting of ground state degeneracy by  $B$

Note: The lowest energy corresponds to the maximum

possible alignment of  $\vec{\mu}_{eff}$  with  $B$

- paramagnetism and ferromagnetism

G. Paramagnetism

- Calculate the Magnetization of paramagnetic ions
- If permanent dipoles in a solid behave independently of each other ( $N$  non-interacting atoms/ions), then  $M$  can be readily evaluated by simple statistical mechanics (non-interacting system)

Physical arguments:

- Relative occupation of the energy levels ( $g\mu_B m_J B$ ) is given by the Boltzmann factor
- $$e^{-(-\mu_{eff} \cdot B)/k_B T} = e^{-g\mu_B m_J B/k_B T}$$

$\therefore \mu_{eff,z} = -\frac{\mu_B}{h} g J_z = -\mu_B g m_J$  ( $B = B \hat{z}$ )

For  $n$  moments per unit volume, the Magnetization  $M$  is:

$$M = n \sum_{m_J=-J}^{+J} (-\mu_B g m_J) e^{-g\mu_B m_J B/k_B T} / \sum_{m_J=-J}^{+J} e^{-g\mu_B m_J B/k_B T}$$

Define:  $Z = \sum_{m_J = -J}^{+J} e^{-g\mu_B m_J B / kT} = \sum_{m_J = -J}^{+J} e^{-\beta g \mu_B m_J B}$

(i)  $M = n \left( \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial B} \right)$

(ii) Sum up Z

Call  $\beta g \mu_B B \equiv x$

$Z = \sum_{m_J = -J}^{+J} e^{-x m_J} = e^x \sum_{m_J = -J}^{+J} e^{-x m_J} e^{-x}$

$= e^x \sum_{m_J = -J}^{+J} e^{-\frac{x}{J} (m_J + J)}$

$= e^x \sum_{n=0}^{2J} \left( e^{-\frac{x}{J}} \right)^n$

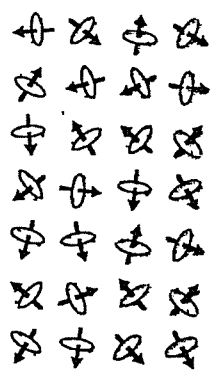
$= e^x \frac{1 - e^{-\frac{x}{J}(2J+1)}}{1 - e^{-\frac{x}{J}}}$

$= \frac{\sinh \left[ \left( \frac{2J+1}{2J} \right) \cdot x \right]}{\sinh \left( \frac{x}{2J} \right)}$

;  $x \equiv \beta g \mu_B B$

$\sum_{n=0}^N x^n = \frac{1-x^{N+1}}{1-x}$   
(Geometric series)

An illustration of the random orientations of permanent magnetic moments on atoms. The magnetic moment is represented schematically by an arrow and a loop indicating the sense in which an equivalent current would flow.



- Physics:
- independent moments
  - B wants to align  $\vec{\mu}$
  - $k_B T$  tends to randomize  $\vec{\mu}$

$\therefore M = n \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial B} \ln \left( \frac{\sinh \left[ \left( \frac{2J+1}{2J} \right) \cdot x \right]}{\sinh \left( \frac{x}{2J} \right)} \right)$ ;  $x = \beta g \mu_B B$

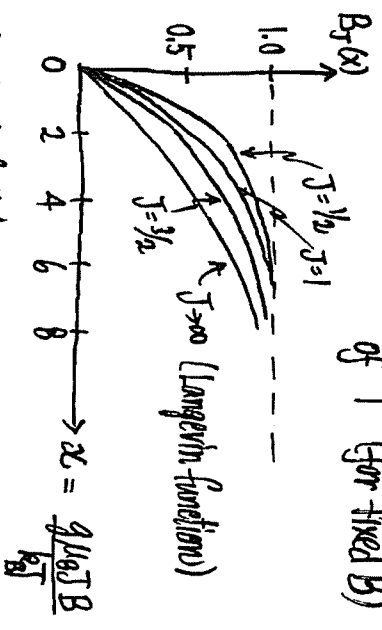
$= (n g \mu_B J) \cdot \left( \frac{2J+1}{2J} \coth \left[ \left( \frac{2J+1}{2J} \right) \cdot x \right] - \frac{1}{2J} \coth \frac{x}{2J} \right)$  (Ex)

$= n g \mu_B J B_J(x)$

$B_J(x) \approx$  Brillouin Function

$M_S =$  saturation magnetization ( $M \rightarrow M_S$  as  $x \gg 1$ )

Gives M as a function of B (for fixed T) of T (for fixed B) high B or low T



(i) High-field / low Temp:  $x = \frac{g \mu_B B}{kT} \gg 1$ ;  $B_J(x) \approx 1$   
 $M \approx M_S = n g \mu_B J$

each atom gives maximum contribution to magnetic moment



(ii) Low-field / high temp:  $\chi = \frac{q\mu_B J B}{k_B T} \ll 1$

(with  $\chi \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\chi + O(\chi^3)$ ;  $\chi \ll 1$ )

$B_T(\chi) \approx \frac{(J+1)}{3J} \chi \sim \chi \propto B$  (5x.)

$\therefore M \approx n q \mu_B J \cdot \frac{(J+1)}{3J} \cdot \frac{q\mu_B J B}{k_B T}$

$= \frac{n (q\mu_B)^2 \cdot J(J+1) B}{3k_B T}$   $B = \mu_0 H$   
 $= \frac{\mu_0 n \mu_B^2 q^2 J(J+1)}{3k_B T} H$   $\approx \mu_0 H$

$= \chi H$  *Curie constant*

$\chi = \frac{n \mu_0 \mu_B^2 q^2 J(J+1)}{3k_B T} \equiv \frac{C}{T} \sim \frac{1}{T}$  *Curie's Law*

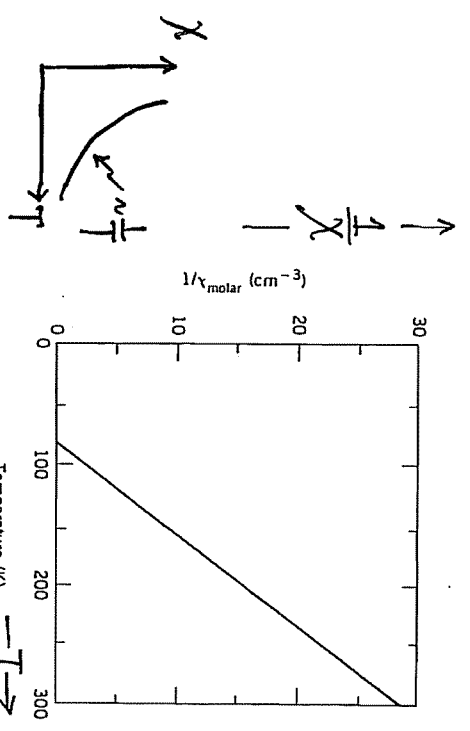
$= \frac{n \mu_0 \mu_B^2 p^2}{3k_B} \cdot \frac{1}{T}$

$p \equiv$  effective number of Bohr magnetons per atom (ion)

measure  $\chi$  vs  $T \Rightarrow$  extract  $C$  and thus  $p$

$p_{theory} = g\sqrt{J(J+1)}$

*Landé g-factor*



The reciprocal of the molar susceptibility (in Gaussian units) as a function of temperature for EuO. The line represents theoretical values for noninteracting ions in states with  $L' = 0$  and  $S' = 7/2$ , while the dots represent experimental values. The linearity of the plot attests to the validity of the Curie law.

$\chi \sim \frac{1}{T}$

slope gives the value of  $p$

$p^2 = g^2 J(J+1)$  (theoretically)

Effective Number of Bohr Magnetons  $p$  for Rare Earth and Transition Metal Ions (Experimentally Determined)

| Ion              | Number of Electrons in Shell | $L'$ | $S'$ | $J'$ | $p$  |
|------------------|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Cerium(3+)       | 1                            | 3    | 1/2  | 5/2  | 2.39 |
| Praseodymium(3+) | 2                            | 5    | 1    | 4    | 3.60 |
| Neodymium(3+)    | 3                            | 6    | 1/2  | 5/2  | 3.62 |
| Promethium(3+)   | 4                            | 6    | 2    | 4    | 3.62 |
| Samarium(3+)     | 5                            | 5    | 3/2  | 3/2  | 1.54 |
| Europium(3+)     | 6                            | 3    | 3    | 0    | 3.61 |
| Gadolinium(3+)   | 7                            | 0    | 5/2  | 5/2  | 8.2  |
| Terbium(3+)      | 8                            | 3    | 3    | 6    | 9.6  |
| Dysprosium(3+)   | 9                            | 5    | 3/2  | 7/2  | 10.5 |
| Holmium(3+)      | 10                           | 6    | 2    | 8    | 10.5 |
| Erbium(3+)       | 11                           | 6    | 3/2  | 9/2  | 9.5  |
| Thulium(3+)      | 12                           | 5    | 1    | 6    | 7.2  |
| Ytterbium(3+)    | 13                           | 3    | 1/2  | 5/2  | 4.4  |
| Vanadium(2+)     | 3                            | 3    | 1/2  | 5/2  | 3.8  |
| Chromium(2+)     | 4                            | 2    | 2    | 0    | 4.9  |
| Manganese(2+)    | 5                            | 0    | 5/2  | 5/2  | 5.9  |
| Iron(2+)         | 6                            | 2    | 2    | 4    | 5.4  |
| Cobalt(2+)       | 7                            | 3    | 3/2  | 3/2  | 4.8  |
| Nickel(2+)       | 8                            | 3    | 1    | 4    | 3.2  |
| Copper(2+)       | 9                            | 2    | 1/2  | 3/2  | 1.9  |

*none carbis ions (4f shell)*

(2.57) (3.58) (3.62) (3.62) (1.54) (3.61) (8.2) (9.6) (10.5) (10.5) (9.5) (7.2) (4.4) (3.8) (4.9) (5.9) (5.4) (4.8) (3.2) (1.9) (theory)

Remarks:

- The J-value follows from the Hund's rules and the same g-factor (with S and L determined by Hund's rules) give predicted values of  $p = g\sqrt{J(J+1)}$  that, in general, agree with optical values in rare-earth ions (4f shell).
- There are a few cases that the predicted values are way off!
  - ~ e.g.  $Eu^{3+}$   $p(\text{measured}) = 3.6$   $p(\text{theory}) = 0$

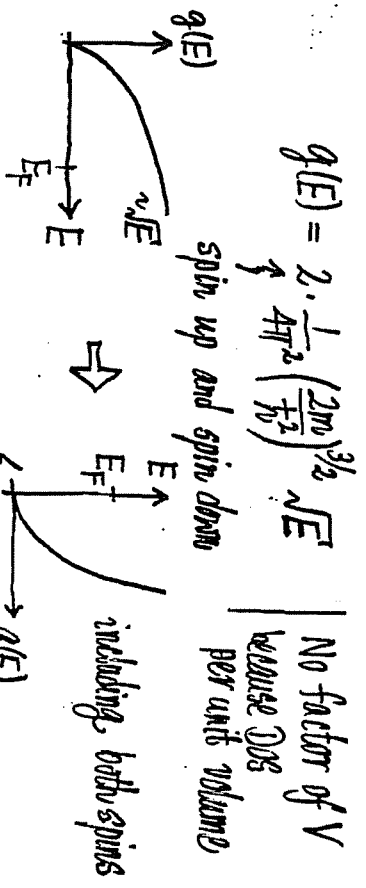
Comparison of experimental and theoretical values of p for transition metal ions. The experimental values agree much better with  $2[S(S+1)]^{1/2}$  than with  $g[L(L+1)]^{1/2}$ , indicating that the orbital angular momentum is quenched.

| Ion       | Number of 3d electrons | Hund's rule ground state | Measured p | Theory p          |                   |
|-----------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|           |                        |                          |            | $g[L(L+1)]^{1/2}$ | $2[S(S+1)]^{1/2}$ |
| $K^+$     | 0                      | $1s_0$                   | 0          | 0                 | 0                 |
| $V^{4+}$  | 1                      | $3d_{3/2}$               | 1.8        | 1.55              | 1.73              |
| $V^{3+}$  | 2                      | $3F_2$                   | 2.8        | 1.63              | 2.83              |
| $V^{2+}$  | 3                      | $4F_{3/2}$               | 3.8        | 0.77              | 3.87              |
| $Cr^{3+}$ | 3                      | $4F_{3/2}$               | 3.7        | 0.77              | 3.87              |
| $Mn^{4+}$ | 3                      | $4F_{3/2}$               | 4.0        | 0.77              | 3.87              |
| $Cr^{2+}$ | 4                      | $5D_0$                   | 4.8        | 0                 | 4.90              |
| $Mn^{3+}$ | 4                      | $5D_0$                   | 5.0        | 0                 | 4.90              |
| $Mn^{2+}$ | 5                      | $6S_{5/2}$               | 5.9        | 5.92              | 5.92              |
| $Fe^{3+}$ | 5                      | $6S_{5/2}$               | 5.9        | 5.92              | 5.92              |
| $Fe^{2+}$ | 6                      | $5D_4$                   | 5.4        | 6.70              | 4.90              |
| $Co^{3+}$ | 7                      | $4F_{9/2}$               | 4.8        | 6.54              | 3.87              |
| $Ni^{2+}$ | 8                      | $3F_4$                   | 3.2        | 5.59              | 2.83              |
| $Cu^{2+}$ | 9                      | $2D_{5/2}$               | 1.9        | 3.55              | 1.73              |

+ In transition metal ions, there are many cases that the theoretical prediction doesn't work. Instead, the ions behave as if  $L=0$ , and thus  $p = 2\sqrt{S(S+1)}$ . This feature is called the quenching of orbital angular momentum (due to crystal field).

H. Pauli Paramagnetism

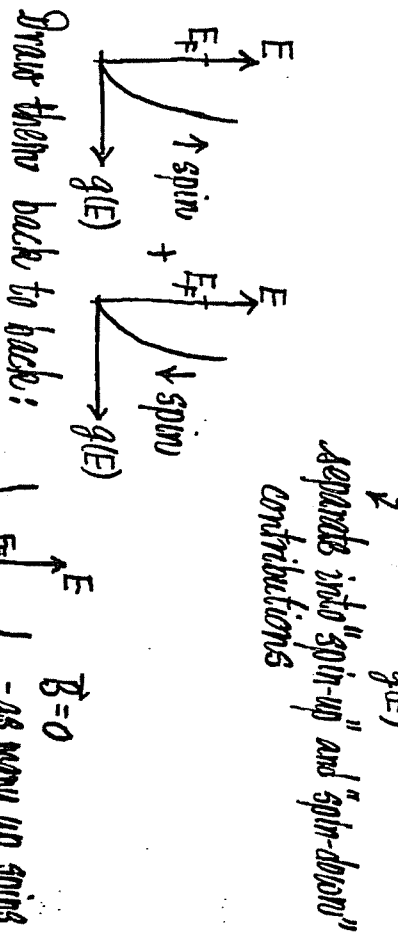
- Magnetism in metals
- free electrons (conduction electrons)
- electron: spin-1/2 particles (spin response)
- Recall: electron DOS per unit volume in 3D



$$g(E) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m_0}{\hbar^2}\right)^{3/2} \sqrt{E}$$

spin up and spin down

No factor of V because DOS per unit volume



separates into "spin-up" and "spin-down" contributions

including both spins

$B=0$

- as many up spins as down spins

(temp,  $T \ll T_F \Rightarrow$  tiny temp. effect)

"Spin-up" and "Spin-down" vs "moment-up" and "moment-down"?

$$\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}} = -\frac{e}{m_e} \vec{S}$$

• With  $\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$ , the extra energy due to  $\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}}$  is:

$$-\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}} \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{e}{m_e} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{eB}{m_e} S_z$$

$$S_z = m_s \hbar \quad \text{where } m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

Some tend to call  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} m_s = +\frac{1}{2} & \text{"spin-up"} \\ m_s = -\frac{1}{2} & \text{"spin-down"} \end{matrix} \right.$

$$(i) \quad -\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}} \cdot \vec{B} = \begin{cases} \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} B = \mu_B B & \text{for } m_s = +\frac{1}{2} \text{ "spin-up"} \\ -\frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} B = -\mu_B B & \text{for } m_s = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ "spin-down"} \end{cases}$$

$m_s = -\frac{1}{2}$  has lower energy than  $m_s = +\frac{1}{2}$

$$(ii) \quad \mu_{\text{spin},z} = z\text{-component of } \vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}} = \frac{-e}{m_e} S_z$$

$$\therefore \mu_{\text{spin},z} = \begin{cases} \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} = +\mu_B & \text{for } m_s = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ "spin-down"} \\ -\frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} = -\mu_B & \text{for } m_s = +\frac{1}{2} \text{ "spin-up"} \end{cases}$$

( $\hat{z}$ -component opposite to field)  
("moment-down": higher energy)

$\therefore \mu_{\text{spin},z} \parallel B$  has energy LOWER by  $\mu_B B$

Sometimes, people refer to these electrons as "spin-up" (actually "moment-up" or "moment-parallel") and label them  $\uparrow$

$\mu_{\text{spin},z}$  antiparallel to  $B$  has energy RAISED by  $\mu_B B$

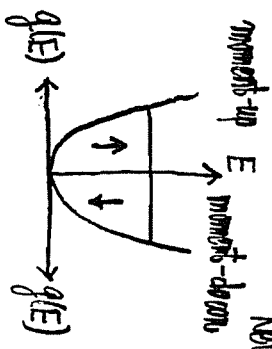
Sometimes, people refer to these electrons as "spin-down" (actually, "moment-down" or "moment-antiparallel") and label them  $\downarrow$

Effect of  $\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$  on free electrons

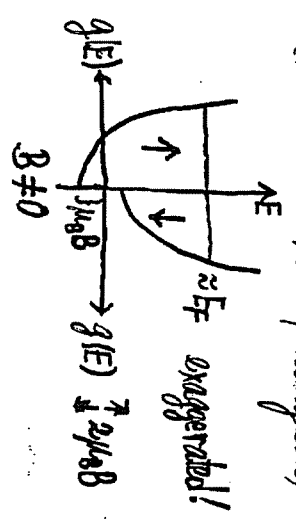
States of "moment-up": lower energy  
States of "moment-down": higher energy  
fill electrons into states (should fill to some energy)

more "moment-up" electrons than "moment-down" electrons

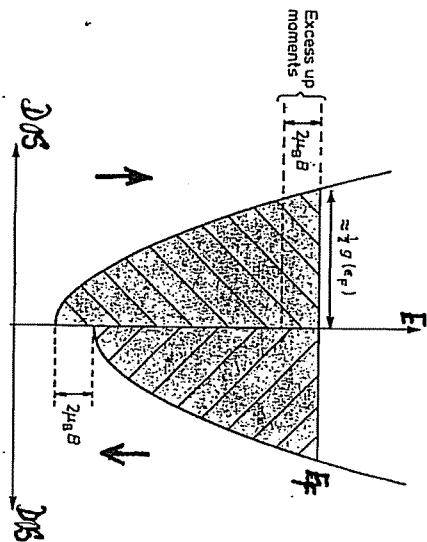
Net moment ( $\parallel B$ ) for  $B \neq 0$  (paramagnetic)



$\Rightarrow$



Estimate the Magnetization [due to spins of free electrons]



← Must fill to the same energy

Note:

$$\mu_B = 9.27 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J/Tesla}$$

$$= 5.79 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/Tesla}$$

$\mu_B \ll E_F$   
(for practical value of B)

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} g(E_F)\right) \cdot \mu_B B$$

Number of extra electrons per unit volume with "moment-up" (people usually refer to as "spin-up") =  $n_u$

Number of missing electrons per unit volume with "moment-down" (usually refer to as "spin-down")

$$= n_d = \left(\frac{1}{2} g(E_F)\right) \mu_B B$$

i.e. take  $n_u$  electrons → change them from  $(-\mu_B)$  to  $(+\mu_B)$  →  $n_u$  excess electrons

$$M = \frac{1}{2} g(E_F) \mu_B B \cdot 2\mu_B = \mu_B^2 g(E_F) \cdot B$$

+ The argument here is similar to that of getting the electronic heat capacity

Ignoring any possible difference of applied field and local field:

$$M = \mu_B^2 g(E_F) B = \mu_B^2 g(E_F) H \mu_0$$

$$= \underbrace{\mu_B^2 \mu_0 g(E_F)}_M H$$

$\chi_{\text{Pauli}} H$   
Pauli spin susceptibility

$$\chi_{\text{Pauli}} = g(E_F) \mu_B^2 \mu_0 = \frac{3n}{2E_F} \mu_B^2 \mu_0$$

$$\propto g(E_F)$$

$$\text{since } g(E_F) = \frac{3n}{2E_F}$$

(i)  $\chi_{\text{Pauli}} > 0 \Rightarrow$  paramagnetic contribution (from spins of free electrons) DOES per unit volume.

(ii)  $\chi_{\text{Pauli}}$  has NO temperature-dependence

E.g. Curie law for distinguishable non-interacting moments  
 $\chi_{\text{Curie}} \sim \frac{C}{T}$

(iii) If the electrons WERE not free and WERE treated as localized  $\vec{\mu}_{\text{spin}}$  ( $+\mu_B$  or  $-\mu_B$ ), then we would have obtained a Curie-law  $\chi$  as: [ $S = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $L = 0$ ,  $J = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $g = 2$ ]

$$\chi = \frac{n}{k_B T} \mu_B^2 \mu_0$$

Comparing the two expressions,  $\chi_{Pauli}$  is only  $(\frac{T}{T_F})$  of what one would expect for localized electrons, i.e.

$$\chi_{Pauli} = \frac{3n}{2E_F} \mu_B^2 \mu_0 = \frac{3n}{2k_B T} \mu_B^2 \mu_0$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{n}{k_B T} \mu_B^2 \mu_0 \right) \left( \frac{T}{T_F} \right)$$

if electrons were localized [suppression due to Pauli exclusion principle] for metals,  $\sim 0.01$

(iv) For metals,  $\chi_{Pauli}$  is small ( $\sim 10^{-5}$ ) Pauli exclusion principle

|                                   | Li   | Na   | K    | Rb   | Cs   |
|-----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| $10^5 \times \chi_p$ (experiment) | 2.5  | 1.4  | 1.1  | 1.0  | 1.0  |
| $10^5 \times \chi_p$ (theory)     | 1.01 | 0.83 | 0.67 | 0.63 | 0.58 |

(v) Further Remarks (Optional):  $\chi_{Pauli}$  assumes free electrons.

Electrons may also "feel" the magnetic field produced by other electrons (spins), i.e. they interact. If this interaction is sufficiently strong, the  $\uparrow$ -band and  $\downarrow$ -band may be split ("spin-split bands") spontaneously (i.e.  $B=0$ ), leading to band ferromagnetism (or itinerant ferromagnetism).  
(Related to ferromagnetism in metals)

I. Susceptibility  $\chi_{Landau}$  due to motion of free electrons in a magnetic field (optional)

Solving:  $(\vec{p} + e\vec{A})^2 \psi = E \psi$

$\Rightarrow$  Landau levels  $\left( \frac{B}{2\pi} \right)^2 (l + \frac{1}{2}) \hbar \omega_c$  (uniform field)

$$E(l) = \frac{\hbar^2 k_x^2}{2m} + \frac{\hbar^2 k_y^2}{2m} + \frac{\hbar^2 k_z^2}{2m} = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + (l + \frac{1}{2}) \hbar \omega_c$$

$$\omega_c = \frac{eB}{m}$$

The point is:

- different DOS for  $B=0$  and  $B \neq 0$
- Fill in electrons  $\Rightarrow E(B=0) \neq E(B \neq 0)$  with  $\chi_{Landau} = -\frac{1}{3} \chi_{Pauli}$  due to motion

$$\Delta E = E(B \neq 0) - E(B=0) = \frac{V k_F^2 \omega_c^2 B^2}{24 \pi^2 m \omega_c} = -\frac{1}{3} \chi_{Pauli} \cdot B$$

$$\chi_{Landau} = -\frac{1}{3} \chi_{Pauli} = -\frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{e \hbar}{2m} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m v_F}{\hbar} \right)^2 \mu_0 = -\frac{1}{3} g(E_F) \mu_B^2 \mu_0$$

Landau diamagnetic susceptibility of a free electron metal

$$\chi_{Landau} = -\frac{1}{3} \chi_{Pauli}$$

+ See, for example, 曾謹言: 量子力学 (卷I) (第三版) 第七章. Liboff, "Introductory Quantum Mechanics", Ch. 10.

summary-

|  | <u>Spin Response</u>   | <u>Orbital Response</u>   |
|--|--|---|
| Core electrons<br>(full shells)                | No response<br>(all cancelled)                               | Diamagnetic<br>(Larmor)   |
| $S_{total} = 0$<br>$L_{total} = 0$             |  | $\chi = -\frac{14.91^2}{6m} \cdot N \cdot \frac{V_{orb}}{V} \overline{l^2}$<br>$\sim -10^{-5}$<br>$\chi_{molar} \sim 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ |
| Core electrons<br>(partially filled)<br>shells | Paramagnetic<br>(Curie)                                      | Paramagnetic<br>(Curie)   |
|  | may couple into $\vec{J}$<br>independent moments             |   |
|  | $\chi \sim \frac{1}{T}$                                      |   |
| Conduction<br>electrons (metals)               | Pauli Paramagnetism<br>$\chi_{Pauli} = \mu_0 \mu_B^2 g(E_F)$ | Landau diamagnetism<br>$\chi_{Landau} = -\frac{1}{3} \chi_{Pauli}$  |

Ferromagnetism?

- Need magnetic moments to interact among themselves

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