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EFFECT OF MAGNETIC FIELD ON WEAK MAGNETS

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Abstract

This article investigates the effects of magnetic fields on weakly magnetic materials, particularly ferrites, and their influence on the physical properties of these materials. The study explores various magnetic characteristics of ferrites—ferromagnetic, paramagnetic, and antiferromagnetic—and how they change under the influence of an external magnetic field. Additionally, the article highlights the application of these changes in various fields, including electronics, medicine, electromagnetic shielding, and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). The interaction of ferrites with magnetic fields, especially their efficiency and low-loss properties, ensures their widespread use in emerging technologies. The paper provides detailed insights into the behavior, alterations, and applications of ferrites under magnetic field influence, serving as a valuable resource for scientific research and practical applications.

Keywords: Weakly magnetic materials, ferrites, effect of magnetic fields, ferromagnetic materials, paramagnetic materials, antiferromagnetic materials, magnetic anisotropy.

Introduction

Magnetic fields play a crucial role in studying the effects of external forces on materials. These effects manifest through changes in the magnetic properties of the materials. This phenomenon is particularly relevant to magnetic materials, including ferrites, ferromagnetic, paramagnetic, and diamagnetic substances. External magnetic fields cause interatomic and interelectronic changes within materials, altering their physical and chemical properties. This article focuses on weakly magnetic materials—ferrites—and examines how they respond to magnetic fields, their fundamental characteristics, and their applications.

1. Fundamental principles of the effect of magnetic fields.

• Magnetic fields act as external forces on materials, altering their magnetization properties. Magnetization refers to the orientation and changes in the alignment of magnetic moments



within a material. By applying an external magnetic field, the interelectronic interactions and atomic structures within the material are influenced, leading to significant changes in its magnetic behavior.

• **Ferromagnetic materials** (e.g., iron oxide ferrites) exhibit strong magnetization under the influence of an external field and can retain permanent magnetism.

• **Paramagnetic materials** (e.g., nickel ferrites) become weakly magnetized in the presence of an external field, but the magnetization disappears once the field is removed.

• **Diamagnetic materials** (e.g., graphite) resist the external magnetic field by inducing an opposing weak magnetic moment, resulting in relatively weak magnetization.

2. Ferrites and their role under magnetic field influence.

Ferrites are materials composed of iron oxide (Fe_2O_3) or other metal oxides, exhibiting diverse properties in response to strong or weak magnetic fields. Ferrites can possess ferromagnetic, paramagnetic, or antiferromagnetic characteristics.

Ferromagnetic ferrites, such as Fe₃O₄ (iron oxide), exhibit strong magnetization under an external magnetic field. These materials align their magnetic moments parallel to each other, leading to an increase in magnetization as the strength of the external field grows. Ferromagnetic ferrites can function as permanent magnets because their magnetic moments remain aligned even after the external field is removed.

Paramagnetic ferrites, such as NiO (nickel oxide), exhibit only weak magnetization under an external magnetic field. The degree of magnetization depends on the strength of the field; however, once the field is removed, the magnetization disappears. These ferrites do not display systematic magnetization and exhibit random magnetic moment alignment under normal conditions.

Antiferromagnetic ferrites, such as MnFe₂O₄ (manganese ferrite), lose or weaken their magnetization due to opposing magnetic moments within the material. While external magnetic fields can induce noticeable changes in these materials, they do not attain a state of permanent magnetization. Instead, they feature fluctuating magnetic moments that create relatively small internal magnetic fields.

3. The magnetic properties of ferrites under the influence of a magnetic field

Magnetic anisotropy in ferrites. The magnetic properties of ferrite materials depend on the crystal structure, the orientation of magnetic moments, and the characteristics in different directions. Ferrites exhibit magnetic anisotropy, which causes their magnetic properties to vary in different directions.

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The magnetic anisotropic properties of ferrites are particularly useful in transformers and inductors operating at high frequencies, as they provide high efficiency and low losses.

Electron spins and orbital movements in ferrites. In ferrites, the magnetic properties are generated through the electron spins and orbital movements. An external magnetic field changes the direction of these spins and controls the material's magnetic moment. The interaction between ferrites and the magnetic field can alter the material's magnetic anisotropy and the rate of magnetization.

4. Application of magnetic field influence in ferrites.

Electronics and magnetic memory devices. Ferrites are widely used in the production of transformers, inductors, and magnetic memory devices. Ferrites are effective in high-frequency signal transmission and in working with strong magnetic fields, ensuring high efficiency

• **Transformers:** Ferrites are commonly used in high-efficiency transformers. They efficiently absorb magnetic fields and result in minimal energy losses during energy transfer.

• **Magnetic memory devices:** Ferrites can function as permanent magnets, for example, in magnetic tapes or disks for data storage and transmission.

Medicine and electromagnetic devices: Ferrite materials are used in medical instruments and industrial devices such as magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and magnetic sensors. Ferrites are used to shield against electromagnetic waves, reduce noise, and manage magnetic fields. Their high sensitivity helps in detecting and controlling magnetic fields.

Electromagnetic shielding: Ferrites are employed in compressing and controlling electromagnetic waves. They absorb electromagnetic fields and reduce noise between devices and systems. Ferrites are ideal materials for electromagnetic shielding because they effectively manage magnetic fields at high speeds.

Conclusion

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Weak magnetic materials, especially ferrites, change their magnetic properties under the influence of an external magnetic field. Ferromagnetic ferrites produce strong magnetization and maintain permanent magnetism, while paramagnetic ferrites magnetize weakly under the field's influence. Antiferromagnetic ferrites cancel out their magnetic moments. The reaction of ferrites to a magnetic field varies depending on their applications, and with high efficiency, low losses, and high sensitivity, they are widely used in electronics, medicine, industry, and magnetic memory systems. The interaction between ferrites and magnetic fields continues to improve their technological capabilities and contribute to the development of new, efficient materials.



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