

共鳴軟X線回折のマルチフェロイック 関連物質への適用

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(Magnetoelectric) Multiferroics

Materials which exhibit two or all three ferroic orders ferro-elastic, ferro-magnetic, ferro-electric



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 - ・スピン配列によって空間(+時間)反転対称性が破れた系



Observation of multiferroic domains

Second harmonic generation (第2高調波発生)

spin chirality TbMnO₃

monopole Cr₂O₃

toroidal LiCoPO₄





Matsubara et al. Science 348, 1112 (2015).





Fiebig et al., APL 66, 2906 (1995).





Van Aken et al. Nature 449, 702 (2007)



Chirality formed by multipole moments

Spin (magnetic dipole)



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Resonant x-ray diffraction using soft x-rays



e.g., Observation of multipole orders (e.g. electric monopole, magnetic dipole, electric quadrupole,...)

Resonant x-ray diffraction using circularly polarized soft x-ray



Imaging spiral magnetic domains in Ho by circularly polarized Bragg diffraction

J.C. Lang et al., J. Appl. Phys. 95, 6537 (2004).

Ho metal

[spiral magnetic order with (0,0, $L \pm \tau$) below $T_N = 133$ K]

X-ray energy $E \sim 8.071 \text{ eV}$ (~ Ho L_3 -edge $2p \rightarrow 5d$)



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Experimental setting for resonant x-ray diffraction using circularly polarized soft x-ray





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Magnetoelectric Y-type hexaferrite (Ba,Sr)₂Me₂Fe₁₂O₂₂ (Me=Zn, Mg, etc.)



Circularly polarized x-ray diffraction study of Ba_{0.8}Sr_{1.2}Zn₂Fe₁₂O₂₂



If the fractions of the right- and left-handed spin-chiral domains are a and (1-a), respectively



$\frac{I_a^{(-)}}{I_a^{(+)}} = \frac{\cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{2}\sin^22\theta \mp (1-2a)\cos\theta\sin2\theta}{\cos^2\theta + \frac{1}{2}\sin^22\theta \pm (1-2a)\cos\theta\sin2\theta}.$									
	(003-)		(003+)						
Incident polarization	Exp.	Calc.	Exp.	Calc.	<i>a</i> = 0.7				
RCP	0.50	0.52	0.11	0.10					
LCP	0.24	0.25	0.25	0.23					

Imaging spin-chiral domains in Y-type Ba_{0.5}Sr_{1.5}Zn₂Fe₁₂O₂₂ by circularly polarized X-ray

Sample Ba_{0.5}Sr_{1.5}Zn₂Fe₁₂O₂₂ $T_N \sim 310$ K magnetic satellite (0,0,3 $n\pm\epsilon$)



Spatial images of spin-chiral domain structure in Ba_{0.5}Sr_{1.5}Zn₂Fe₁₂O₂₂ at 68 K

Y. Hiraoka et al., PRB 84, 064418 (2011).



*Red and blue regions correspond to either a left- or right-handed spin-chiral monodomain. *The observed domains are irregular in shape with a size on a submilimeter scale.

*There is a tendency that the domain boundaries are clamped at surface defects. *The observed domains were apparently smaller in size than those on a smooth surface.

Effect of field-cooling on spin-chiral domain structure in Ba_{0.5}Sr_{1.5}Zn₂Fe₁₂O₂₂

Y. Hiraoka et al., J. Magn. Magn. Mater. 384, 160 (2015).

We measured intensity maps of the (0 0 $3-\epsilon$) magnetic reflection at 40 K after various field-cooling conditions.



*Sample is cooled from 330 K (>T_N) to 40 K at E = 0.5 ~ 200 kV/m. *With a permanent magnet, H (~0.2 T) can be applied . *During the measurement, H is removed.

After E-field cooling



After H-field cooling





*No effect on domain structure by *E*-field cooling

*By H-field cooling, the images becomes more homogeneous.

Field-cooling condition dependence of spin-chiral domain structures



0.5 mm

The sign of *H* is does not determine the handedness.

The penetration depth of the incident x-ray into the crystal is $\xi \approx 40$ nm. Therefore, the2D scanned intensity maps only reflect

the spin-chiral state only at nearby surface.

Possible formation of spin-chiral domains with "stripe-type" domain walls

Polarized neutron topographs of a Tb single crystal



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$RFe_3(BO_3)_4$ (R = Rare earth)

- Single crystals

 R = Y, La, Pr, Nd, Sm,
 Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er
- Structural phase transition space group $R32 \rightarrow P3_121$ or $P3_221$
 - R = Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er, Y





Growth and characterization of DyFe₃(BO₃)₄



Magnetism and magnetoelectricity in DyFe₃(BO₃)₄

Powder neutron diffraction



Spectra of the x-ray absorption and forbidden reflection 001



2D yz-scanned intensity map of forbidden reflection 001 Sample #1



Nearly a single domain with left screw structure ($P3_221$)

2D yz-scanned intensity map of forbidden reflection 001 Sample #2

at 200K (<*T*_s)







Multi-domain structure

Usui et al., Nature Mater. 13, 611 (2014)

Rotation of azimuthal angle











Theoretical descriptions of the structural factor for the enantiomorphic space group pair

S. W. Lovesey et al. , J. Phys.: Condens. Matter 20 (2008) 272201

Azimuthal angle dependence of the (001) reflection intensity in the enantiomorphic space group pair $P3_121$ and $P3_221$ for the E_1E_1 resonant event

 $I = I_0 + I_1 \cos(3\Psi) + I_2 \sin(3\Psi) \quad \leftarrow \text{ originating from an odd parity event}$ $I_0 = \frac{1}{2} \{ T_a^2 (1 + \sin^2 \theta)^2 + T_\beta^2 \} + \frac{1}{2} P_3 T_a^2 (1 + \sin \theta)^2 \cos^2 \theta + P_2 \nu T_a^2 \sin \theta (1 + \sin^2 \theta) \quad (2)$ $I_1 = 2 P_3 \nu T_a T_\beta \sin \theta - P_2 T_a T_\beta \cos^2 \theta. \quad (3)$

where $T_a = \frac{3}{2} \langle T_{+2}^2 \rangle'$ and $T_\beta = \frac{3}{2} \langle T_{+1}^2 \rangle'' \cos \theta$. $\leftarrow 2$ -types of quadrupole moments P_2 and P_3 : Stokes parameter $P_2 = +0.944$ (-0.944) and $P_3 = -0.164$ for + (-) helicity x-rays. v: Chirality v = +1 ($P3_121$) or v = -1 ($P3_221$)



Azimuthal angle dependence in DyFe₃(BO₃)₄



Region	v (S.G.)	P_2	I_0^{exp}	I ₀ ^{cal}	I_1^{exp}	I ₁ ^{cal}
α	$(P_{3_{1}21}^{+1})$	-0.944	0.264	$0.012T_a^2 + T_\beta^2$	-0.110	$0.353T_aT_\beta$
		+0.944	0.778	$1.70T_a^2 + T_\beta^2$	0.294	$-0.770T_aT_\beta$
β	$(P\overline{3}_{2}^{-1}21)$	-0.944	0.895	$1.70T_a^2 + T_\beta^2$	-0.297	$-0.770T_aT_\beta$
		+0.944	0.236	$0.012T_a^2 + T_\beta^2$	0.134	$0.353T_aT_\beta$

Temperature evolution of azimuthal angle dependence

Sample #1 Left-screw mono-domain



Electronic structure of Dy³⁺ 4f electrons in DyFe₃(BO₃)₄



The temperature evolution of the intensity of reflection 001

may be affected by the population at the respective sublevels.

Proposed quadrupole helix chirality in DyFe₃(BO₃)₄





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