

# *Fundamentals of Solid State Physics*

---

## Magnetic Properties

Xing Sheng 盛兴

Department of Electronic Engineering  
Tsinghua University

[xingsheng@tsinghua.edu.cn](mailto:xingsheng@tsinghua.edu.cn)



# This Class

---

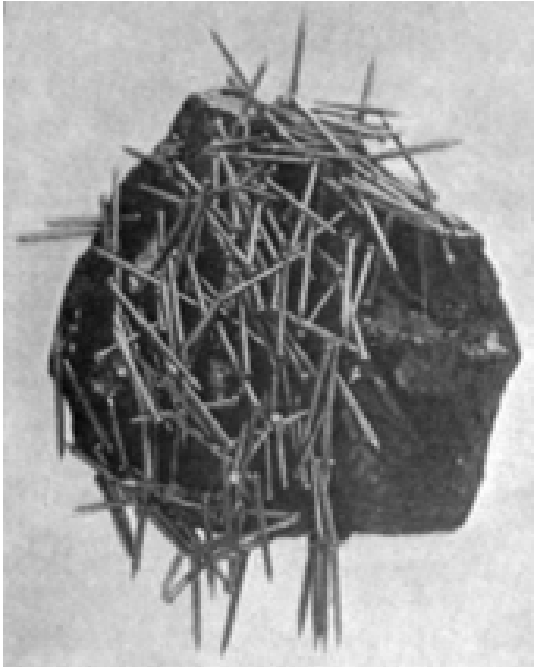
- Introduction (Week 1)
- Materials and Crystal Structures (Week 2–3)
- Electronic Properties (Week 4–12)
- Thermal Properties (Week 13)
- Optical Properties (Week 14)
- **Magnetic Properties (Week 15)**
  - **Origin of Magnetics**
  - **Diamagnetism, Paramagnetism, Ferromagnetism**
  - **Superconductivity**

# References

---

- <https://cse.umn.edu/irm/1-definitions-and-units>
- <https://www.britannica.com/science/magnetism/Magnetic-properties-of-matter>

# History of Magnetism



**Iodestone**  
**磁铁矿**  
**Greek**  
**600 B.C.**



**compass**  
**司南**  
**China**  
**1100 A.D.**

# Applications of Magnetism



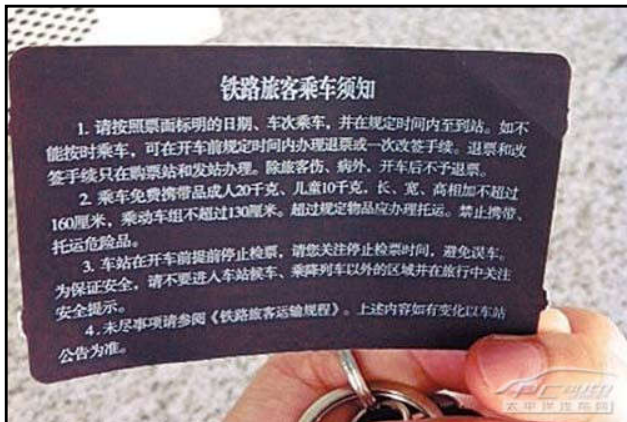
## Compass



## Hard Drive



## Wind Turbine



## ID ticket



## MagLev 磁悬浮



## MRI

# Nobel Prizes in Magnetism

---

- 1902            Zeeman effect
- 1943            Magnetic moment of proton
- 1944            Magnetics of atomic nuclei
- 1952            Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR)
- 1955            Magnetic moment of electron
- 1970            anti-ferromagnetism and ferri-magnetism
- 1972            BCS theory of superconductivity
- 2007            Giant magnetoresistance
- ...

**incomplete list ...**

# Outline

---

- **Maxwell's Equations**

- $H, B, M, \mu_r$
- **Magnetic Susceptibility 磁化率  $\chi$**

- **Origin of magnetism**

- **spin of electrons, orbital angular momentum, external field**
- **nuclear magnetic momentum**

- **Types of magnetism**

- **Diamagnetism 抗磁性**
- **Paramagnetism 顺磁性**
- **Ferromagnetism 铁磁性**
- **Antiferromagnetism 反铁磁性**
- **Ferrimagnetism 亚铁磁性**

# Electrodynamics

## Maxwell's Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= \rho_V \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}\end{aligned}$$

## Constitutive Relations

### 本构关系

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B} &= \mu_0 \mu_r \mathbf{H} \\ \mathbf{D} &= \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r \mathbf{E}\end{aligned}$$

$\varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r$  - Permittivity (dielectric constant)

$\varepsilon_r = 1$  for vacuum

$\varepsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12}$  F/m

$\mu_0 \mu_r$  - Permeability

$\mu_r = 1$  for vacuum

$\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7}$  H/m



# Electrodynamics

## ■ Maxwell's Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= \rho_V \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}\end{aligned}$$

## Constitutive Relations 本构关系

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B} &= \mu_0 \mu_r \mathbf{H} \\ \mathbf{D} &= \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r \mathbf{E}\end{aligned}$$

For magnetic materials

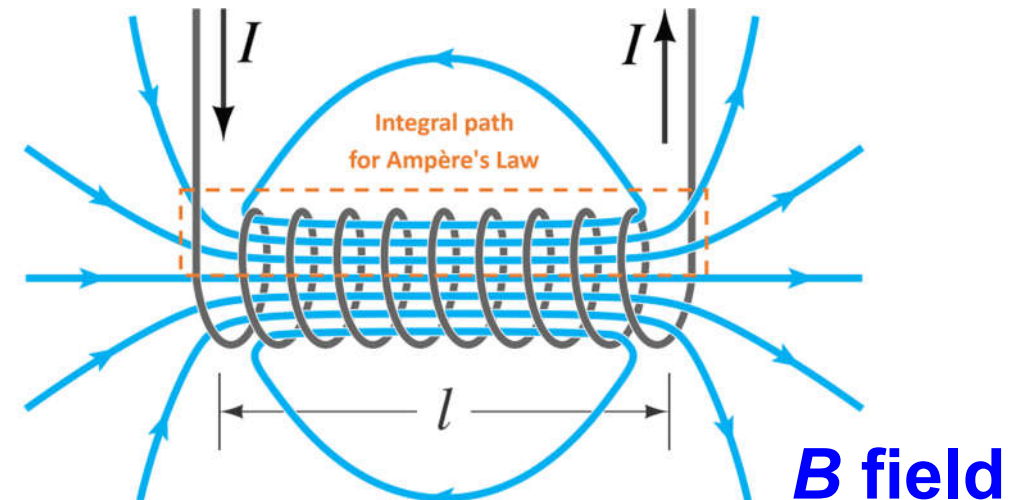
$$\mu_r \neq 1$$

# Electrodynamics

- Maxwell's Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= \rho_V \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}\end{aligned}$$

## Solenoid (螺线管)



$$\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mu_r n I$$

**Electromagnet:** Magnetic field is produced by electric currents. (Ampere's law)

# Electrodynamics

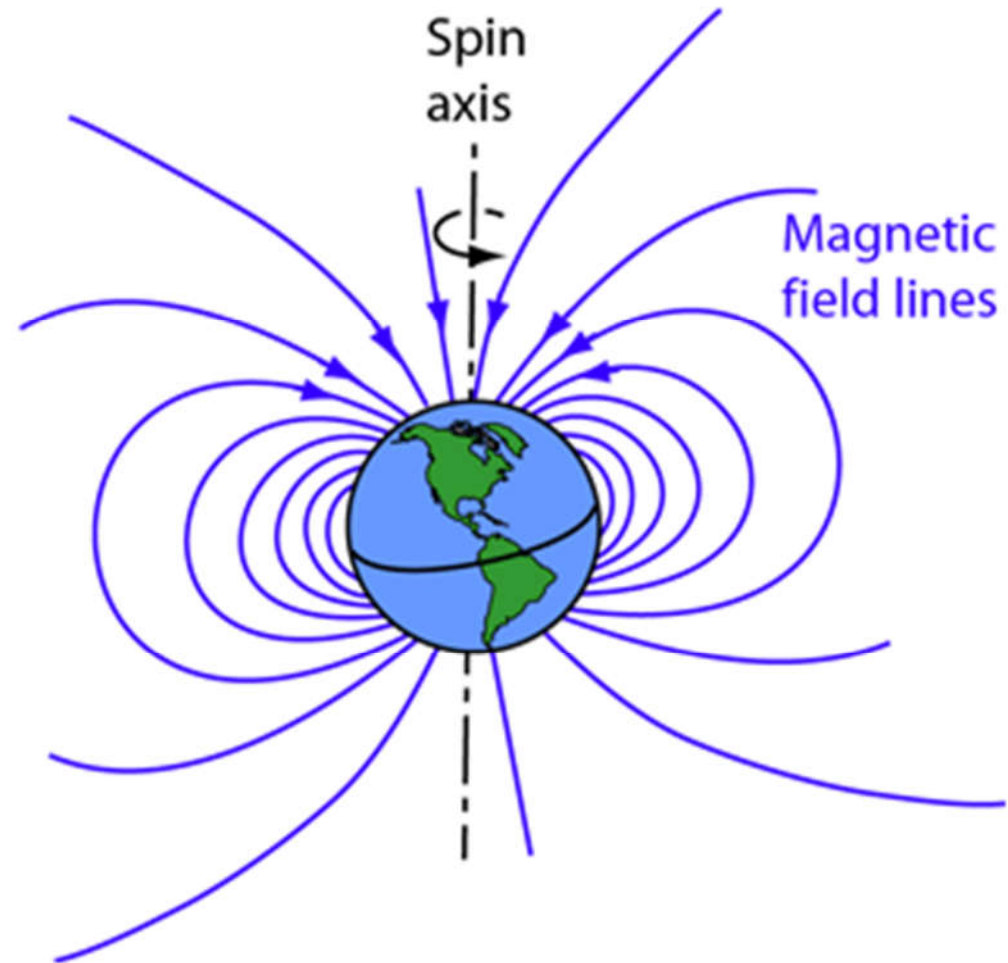
## ■ Maxwell's Equations

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_V$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}$$



**Our earth is a big electromagnet**

# Electrodynamics

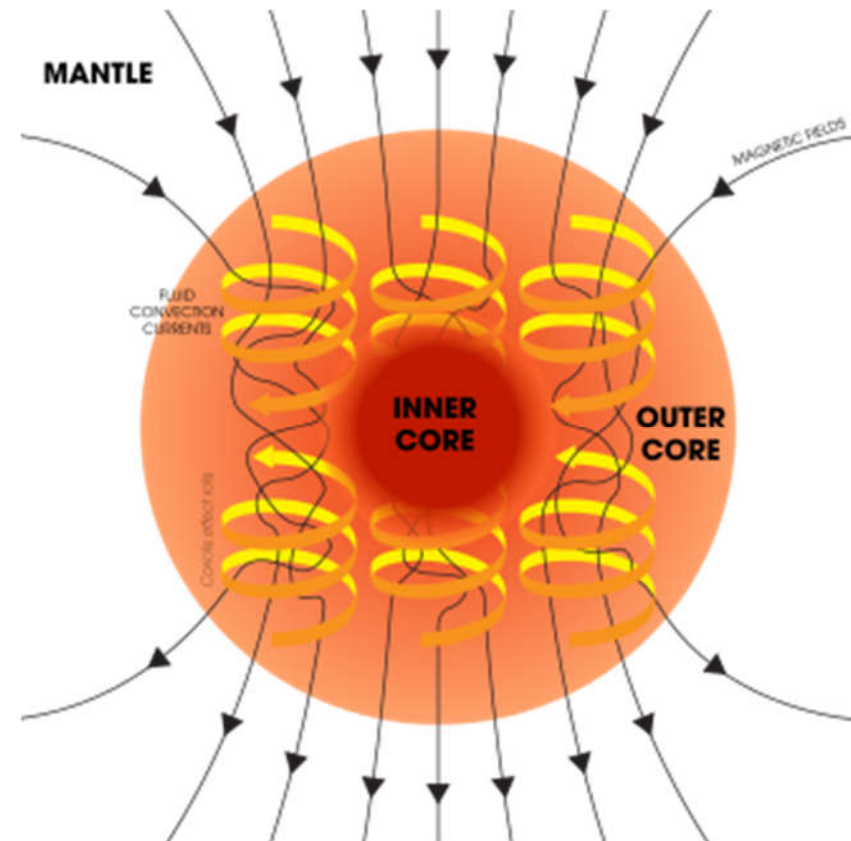
## ■ Maxwell's Equations

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_V$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}$$



**The dynamo mechanism**

# Electrodynamics

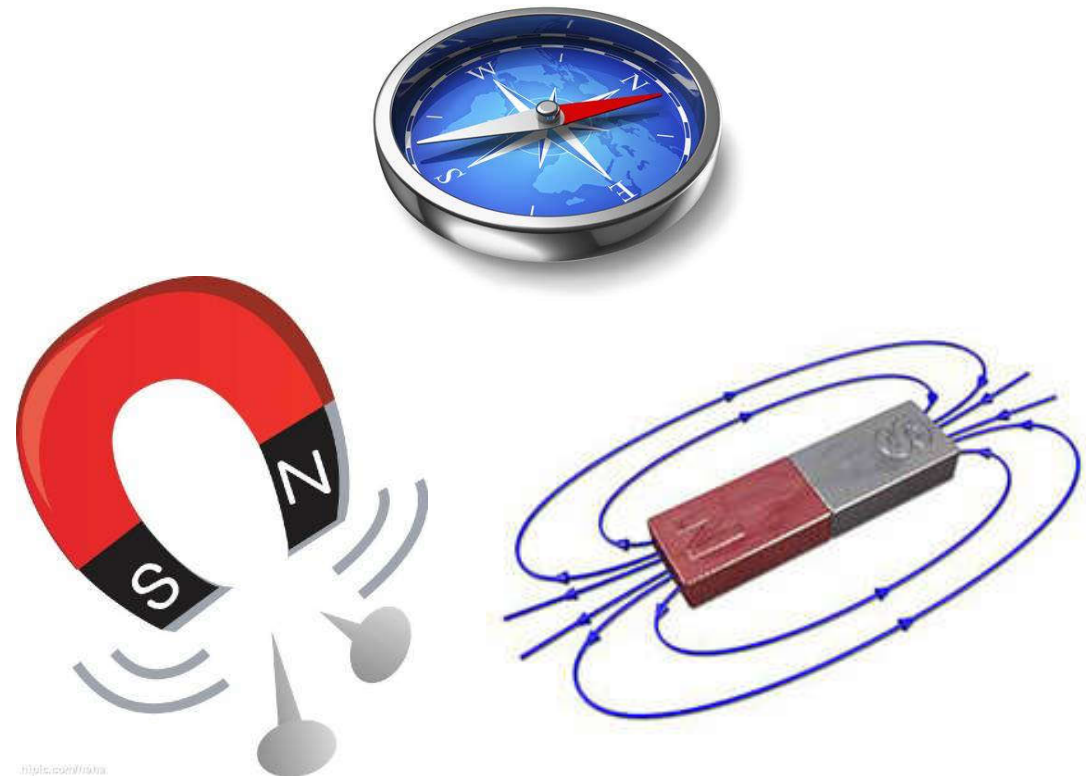
- Maxwell's Equations

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_V$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

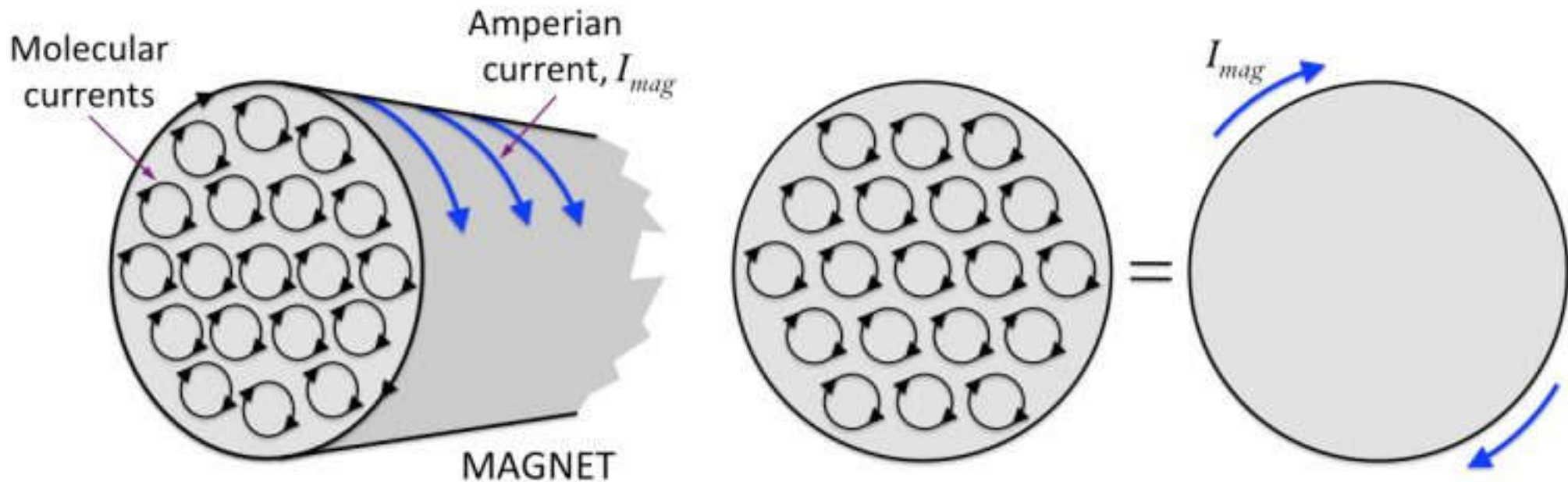
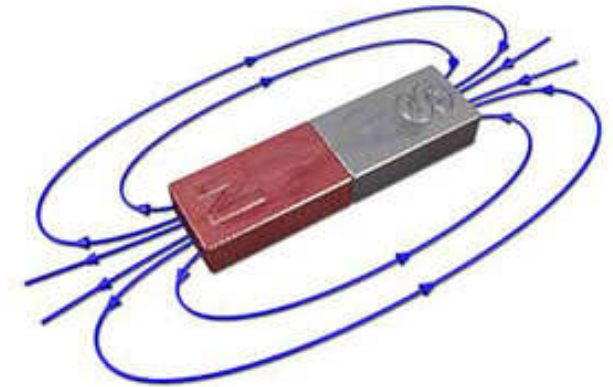
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}$$



***How about magnetic materials?***

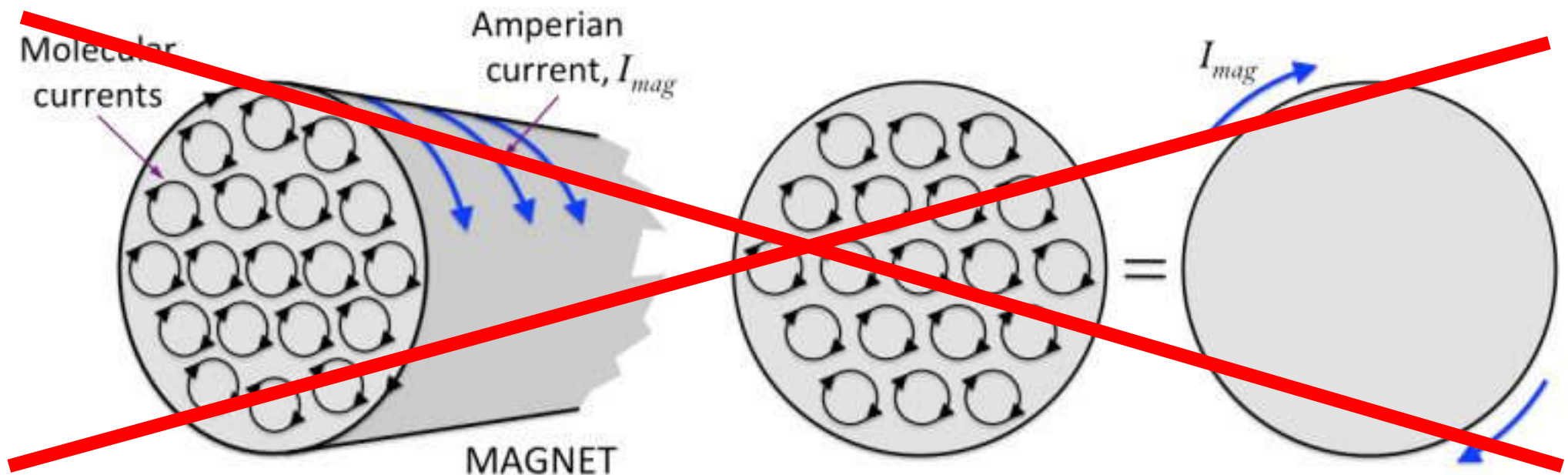
# Origin of Magnetism - Old Theory

- Ampere 安培, 1826
  - Molecular Currents 分子电流假说
  - "magnetism is electricity in motion"



# Origin of Magnetism - Old Theory

- However,
  - There are no “molecular currents” at all
  - For a steady solid, all the magnetic moments cancel out



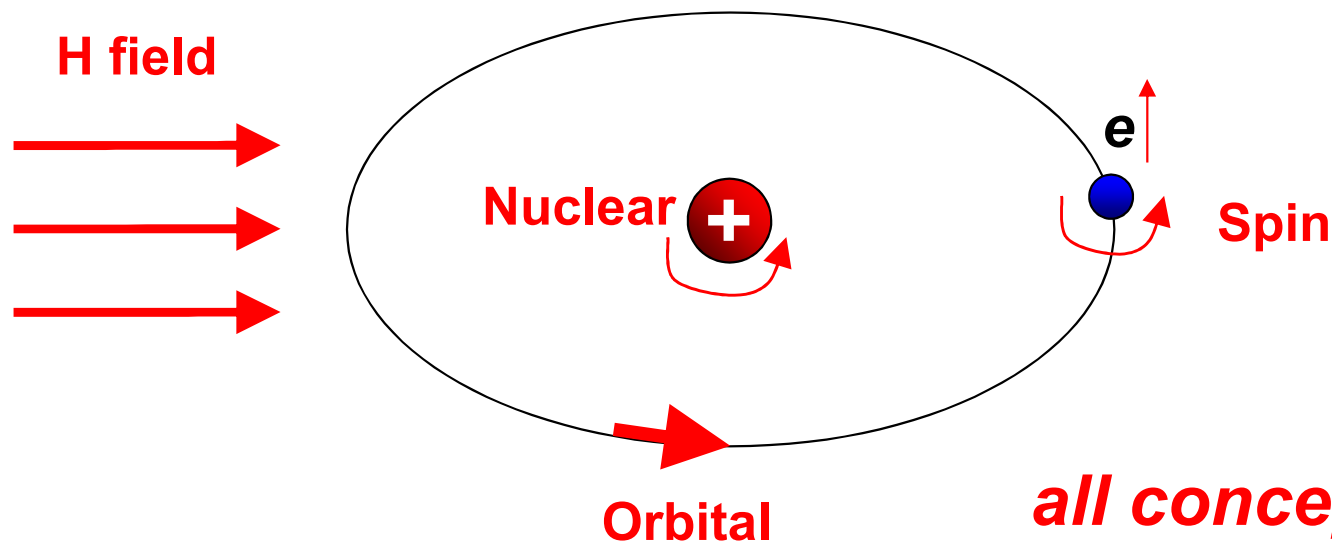
***We can only understand magnetism  
with quantum mechanics***



# Origin of Magnetism - Modern Theory

## ■ Magnetic moment of atoms

- spin of electrons
- orbital angular momentum
- external magnetic field
- magnetic momentum of nuclei ( $10^{-3}$  times smaller than that from electrons)



*all concepts are quantum mechanics based*



# Magnetic Properties

- For magnetic materials,  $\mu_r \neq 1$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mu_r \mathbf{H} = \mu_0 (1 + \chi) \mathbf{H} = \mu_0 (\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M})$$

$$\chi = \mu_r - 1$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \chi \mathbf{H}$$

- $B$  - Magnetic induction 磁感应强度
- $H$  - Magnetic field 磁场强度
- $M$  - Magnetization 磁化强度
- $\chi$  - Magnetic Susceptibility 磁化率

# Types of Magnetism

- $\chi$  - Magnetic Susceptibility 磁化率

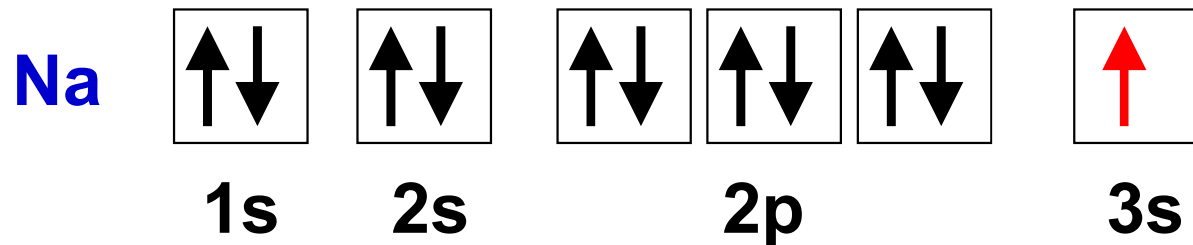
$$\mathbf{M} = \chi \mathbf{H}$$

- Diamagnetism 抗磁性  $\chi < 0$   $\sim 10^{-6}$
- Paramagnetism 顺磁性  $\chi > 0$   $10^{-4} \sim 10^{-5}$
- Ferromagnetism 铁磁性  $\chi \gg 0$   $> 10^{-2}$

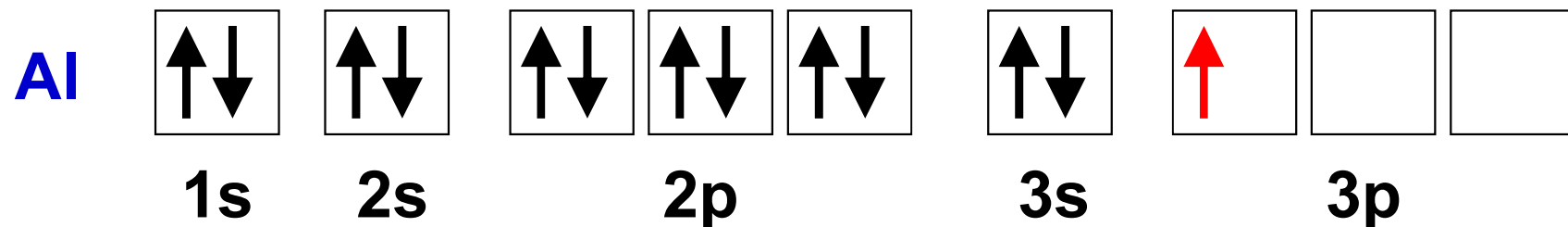
# Paramagnetism 顺磁性

- Originated from *unpaired electrons*

□ Sodium (Na)  $[1s^2 2s^2 2p^6] 3s^1$

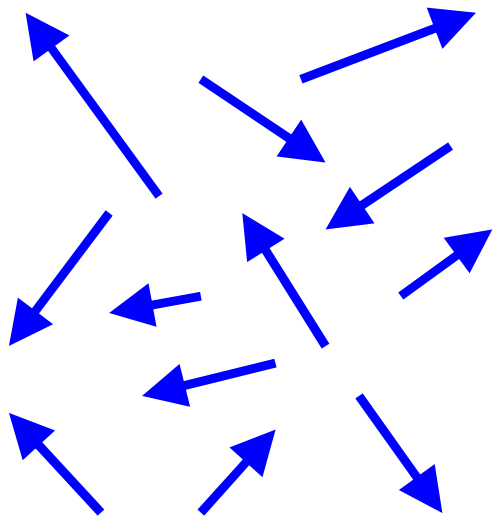


□ Aluminum (Al)  $[1s^2 2s^2 2p^6] 3s^2 3p^1$

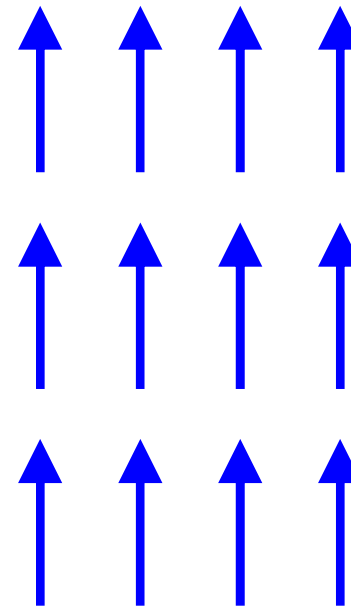


# Paramagnetism 顺磁性

- Originated from *unpaired electrons*



no H field



with H field



H field

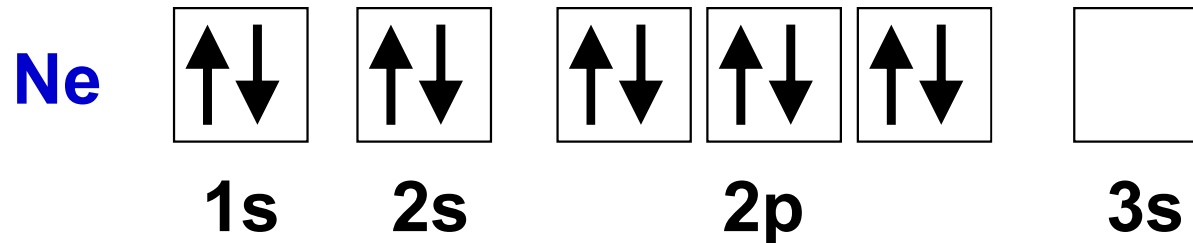
$$\mathbf{M} = \chi \mathbf{H}$$

# Diamagnetism 抗磁性

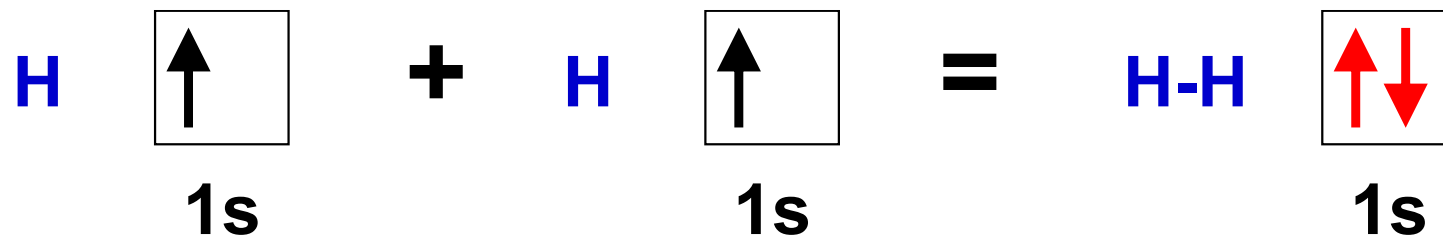
- Originated from *paired electrons*

- He, Ne, Ar, ...

*Detailed analysis requires quantum mechanics*



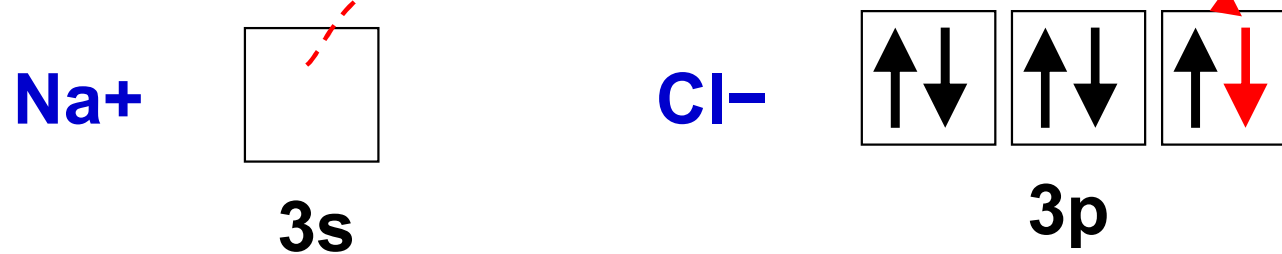
- H<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, ...



# Diamagnetism 抗磁性

- Originated from *paired electrons*

- $\text{NaCl} = \text{Na}^+\text{Cl}^-$

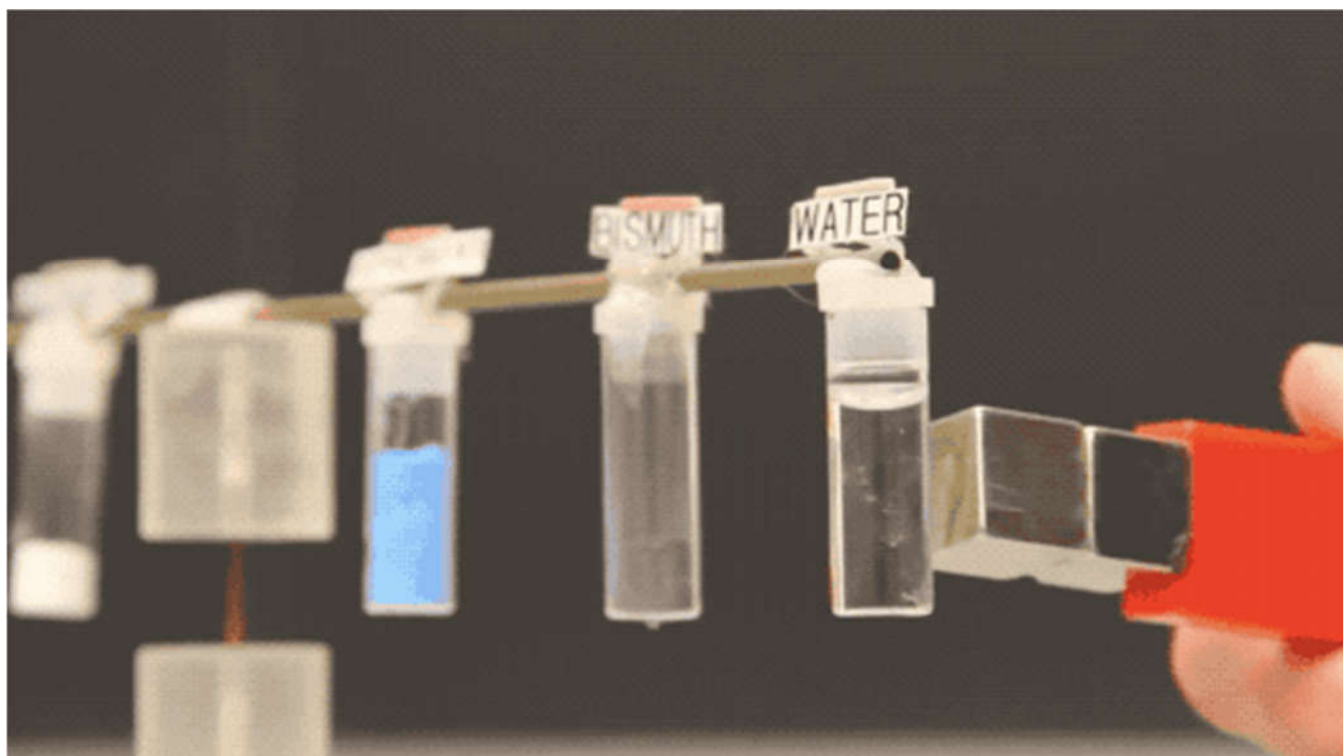
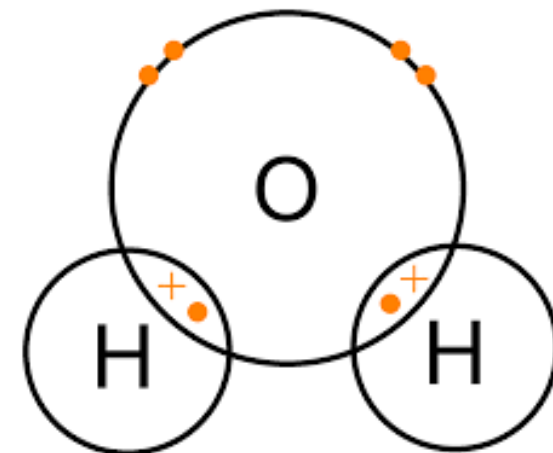


- Silicon crystal



# Diamagnetism 抗磁性

- Water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) is diamagnetic
  - All electrons are paired



# Diamagnetism 抗磁性

- Water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) is diamagnetic
  - A frog is lifted by a strong magnetic field ( $H = 10 \text{ T}$ )



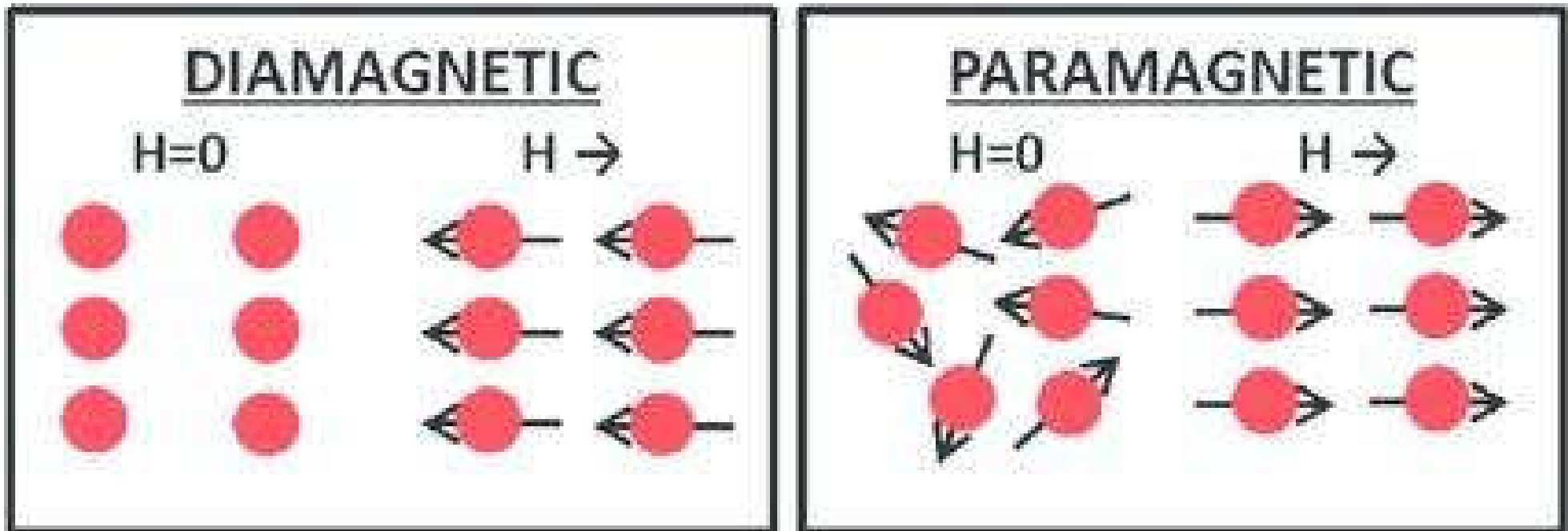
A. Geim, *Phys. Today* **51**, 9, 36 (1998)



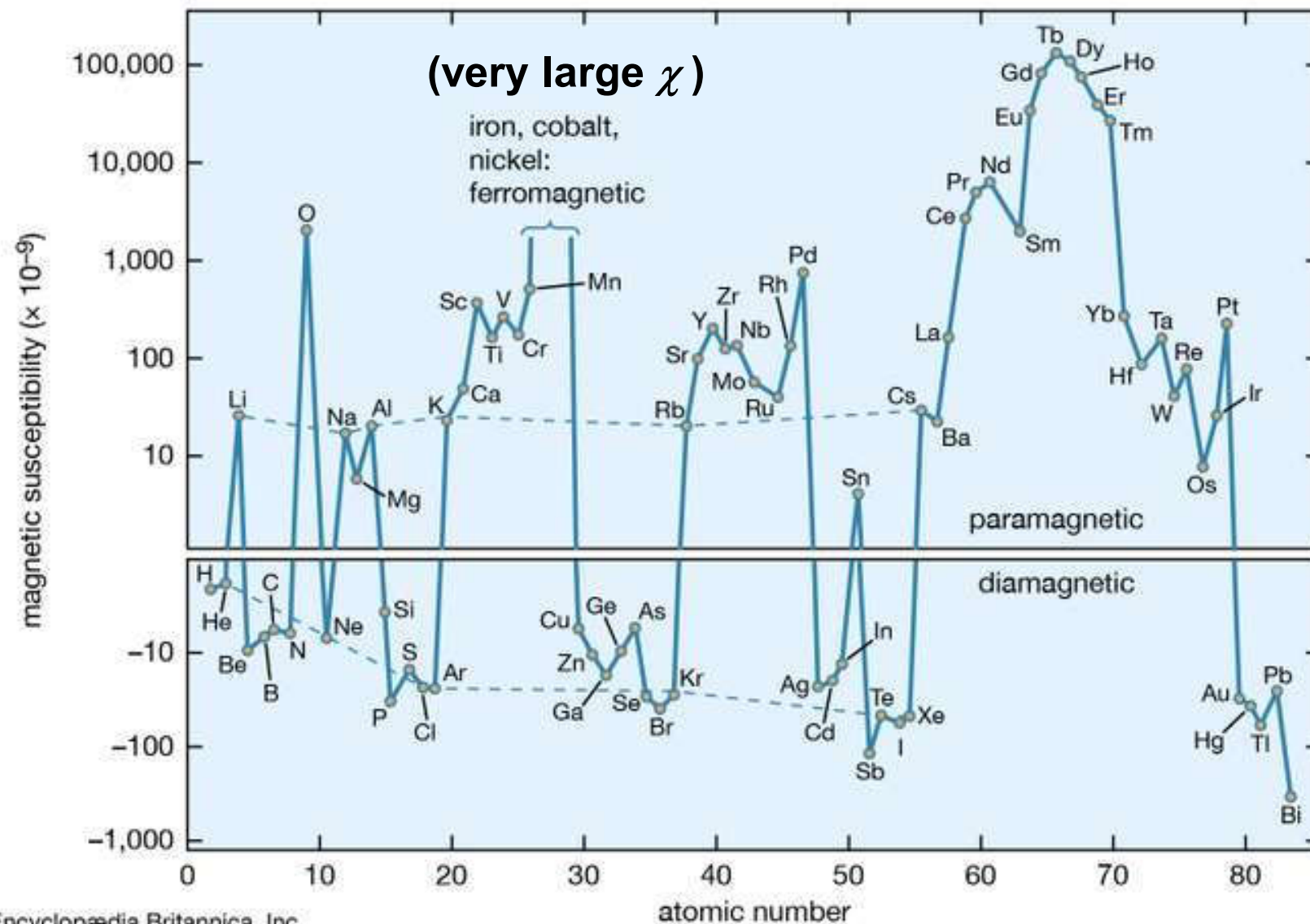
**A. Geim**  
**Nobel Prize in 2010**  
**Ig Nobel Prize in 2001**  
**(搞笑诺贝尔奖)**



# Diamagnetism vs. Paramagnetism

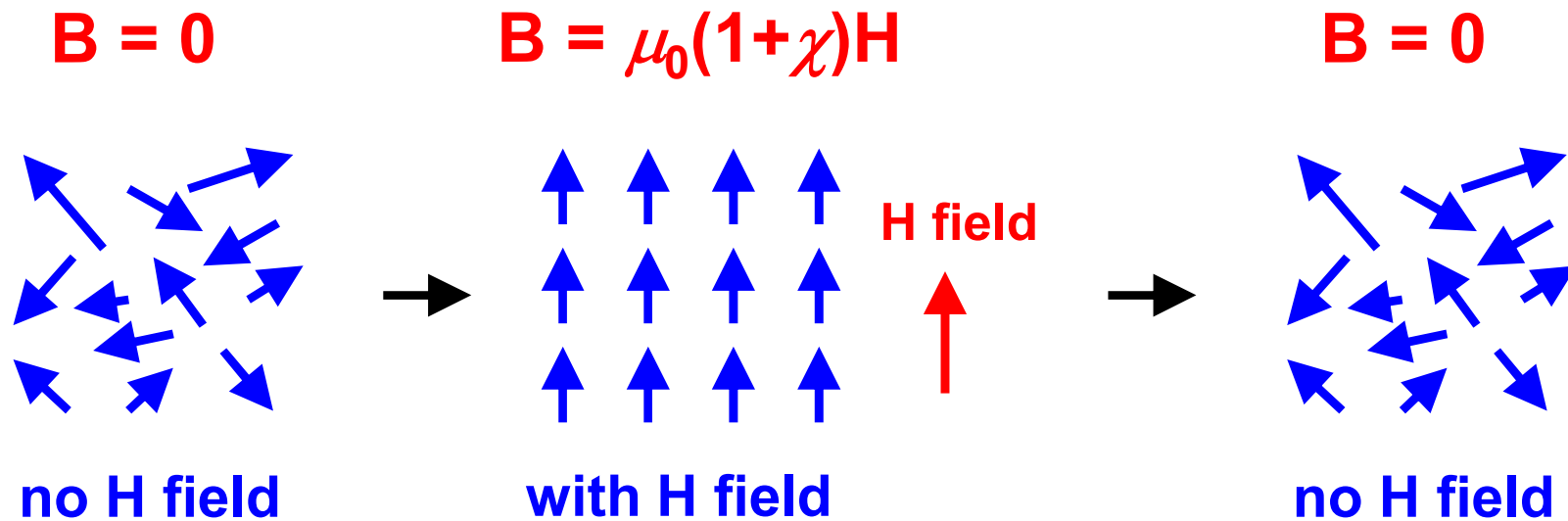


# Diamagnetism vs. Paramagnetism



# Magnetization Curve 磁化曲线

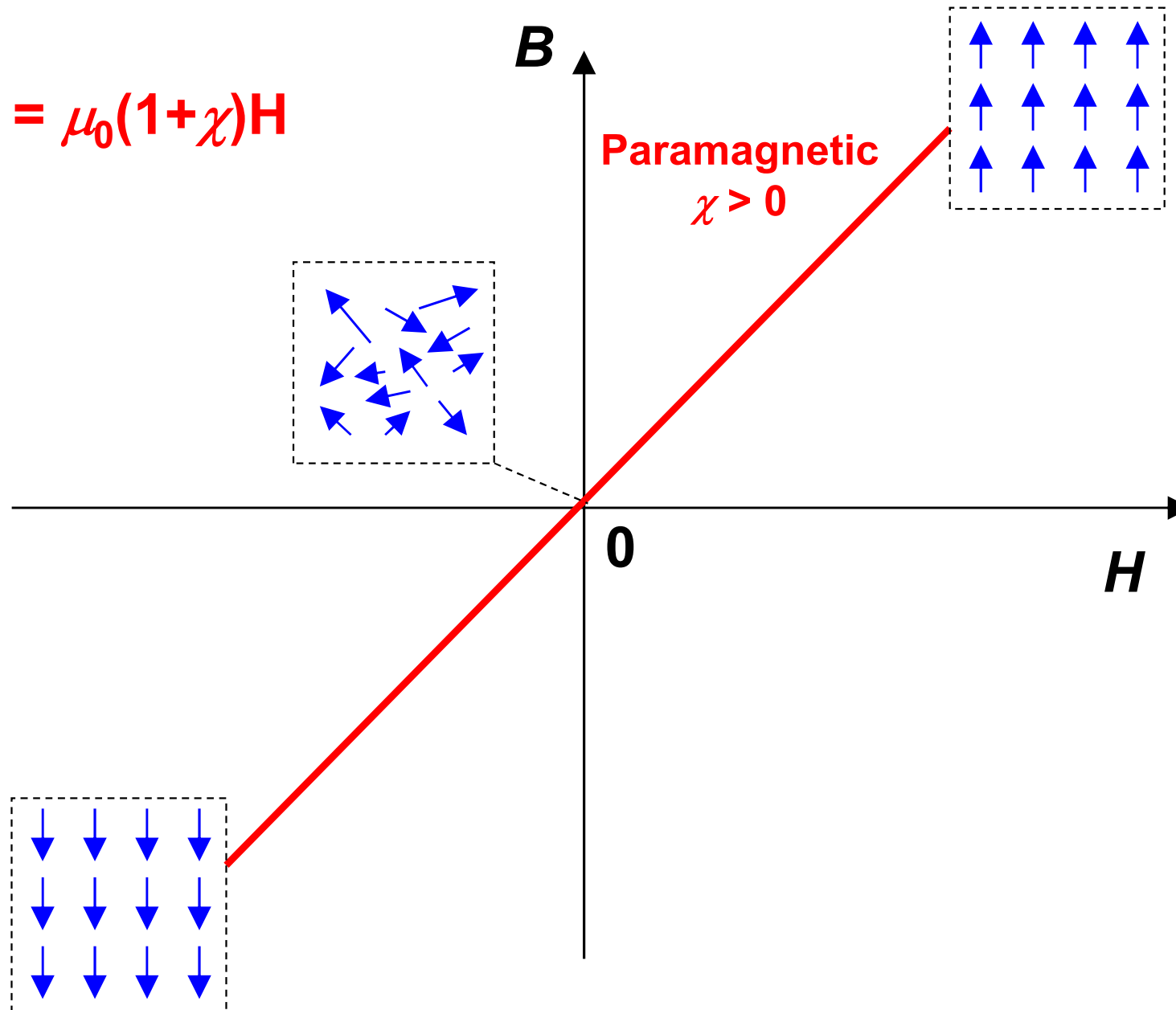
- B vs. H



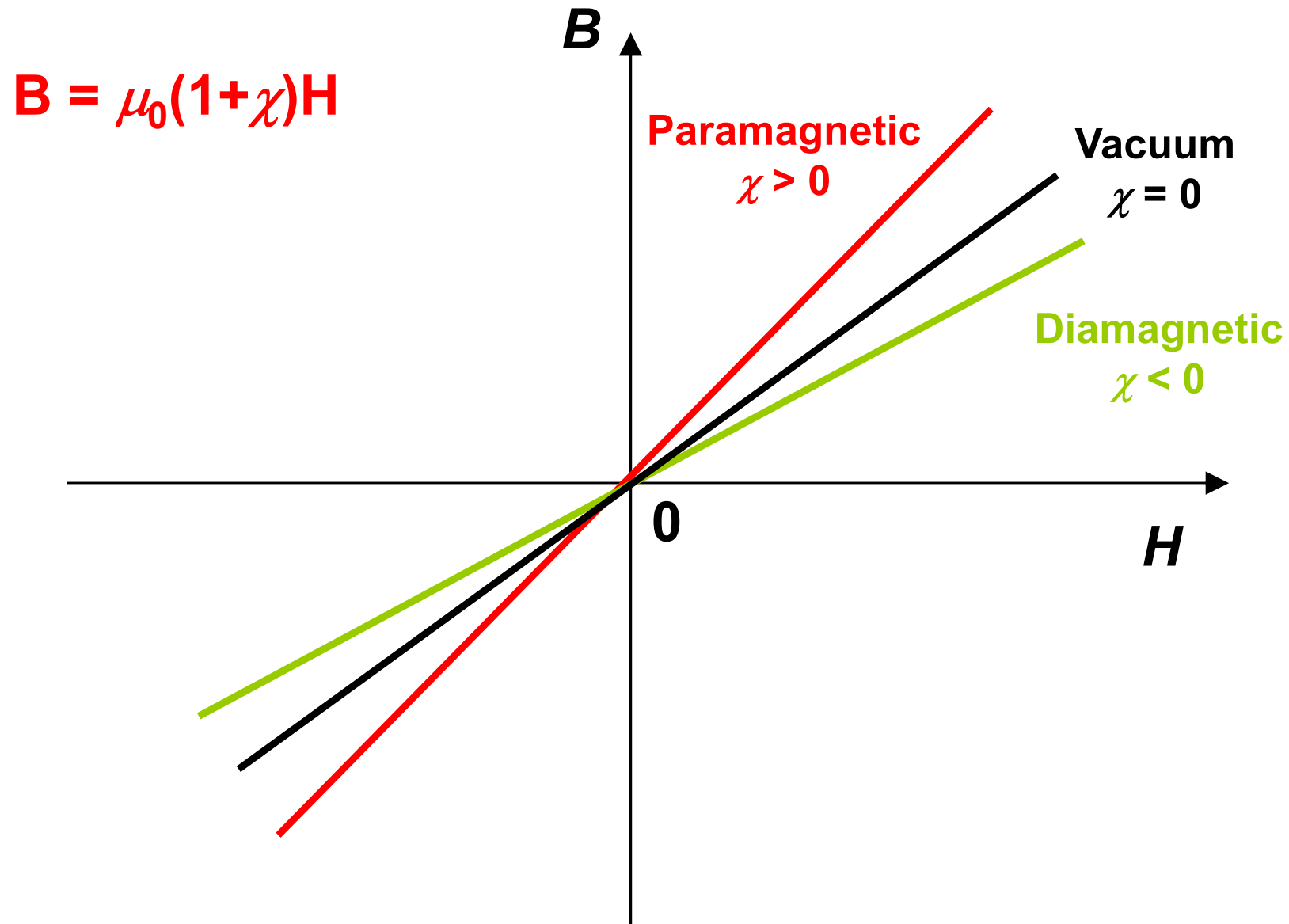
**Paramagnetism**

# Magnetization Curve 磁化曲线

$$B = \mu_0(1+\chi)H$$

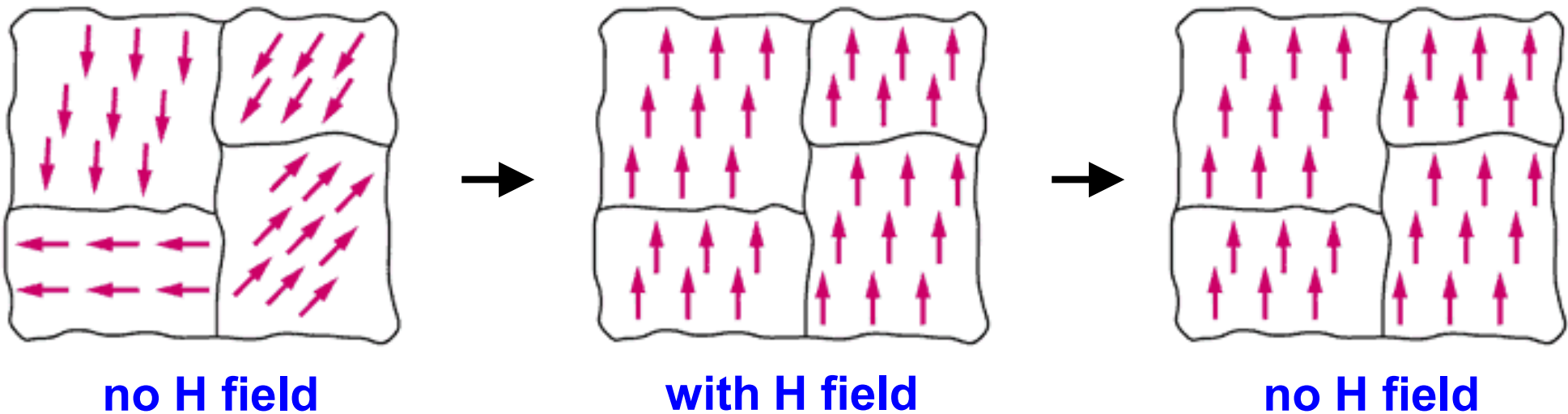


# Magnetization Curve 磁化曲线



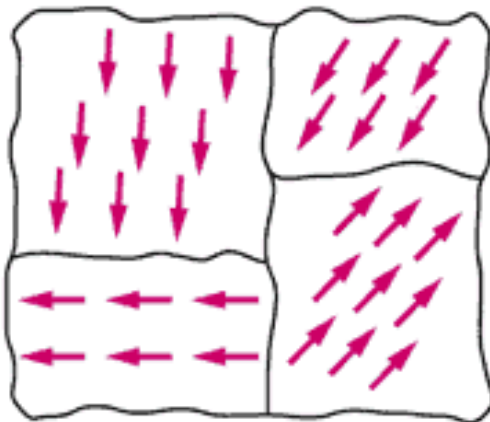
# Ferromagnetism 铁磁性

- When  $H = 0$ , magnetic domains (磁畴) form with spontaneous magnetization (自发磁化)
- Magnetization remains when  $H$  is removed

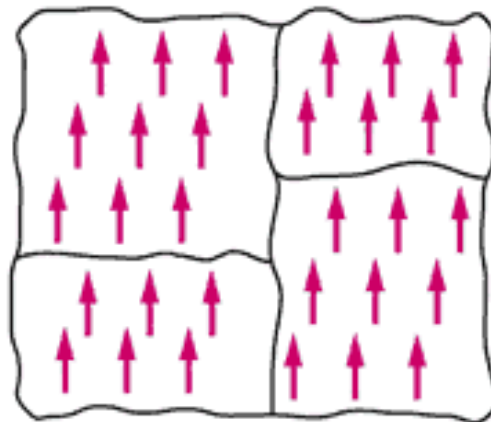


# Ferromagnetism 铁磁性

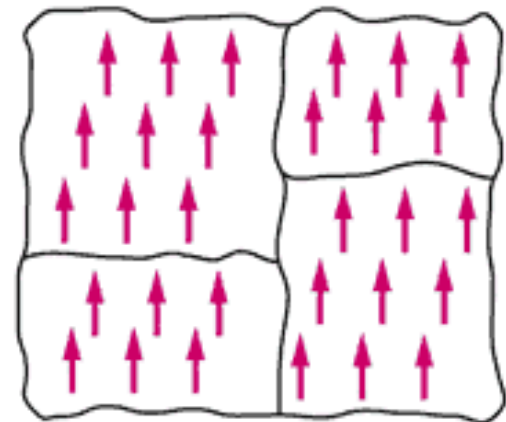
- Permanent Magnet (永磁体)
  - Fe, Co, Ni (铁, 钴, 镍)
  - Alloys: NdFeB (钕铁硼), SmCo (钐钴)



no H field



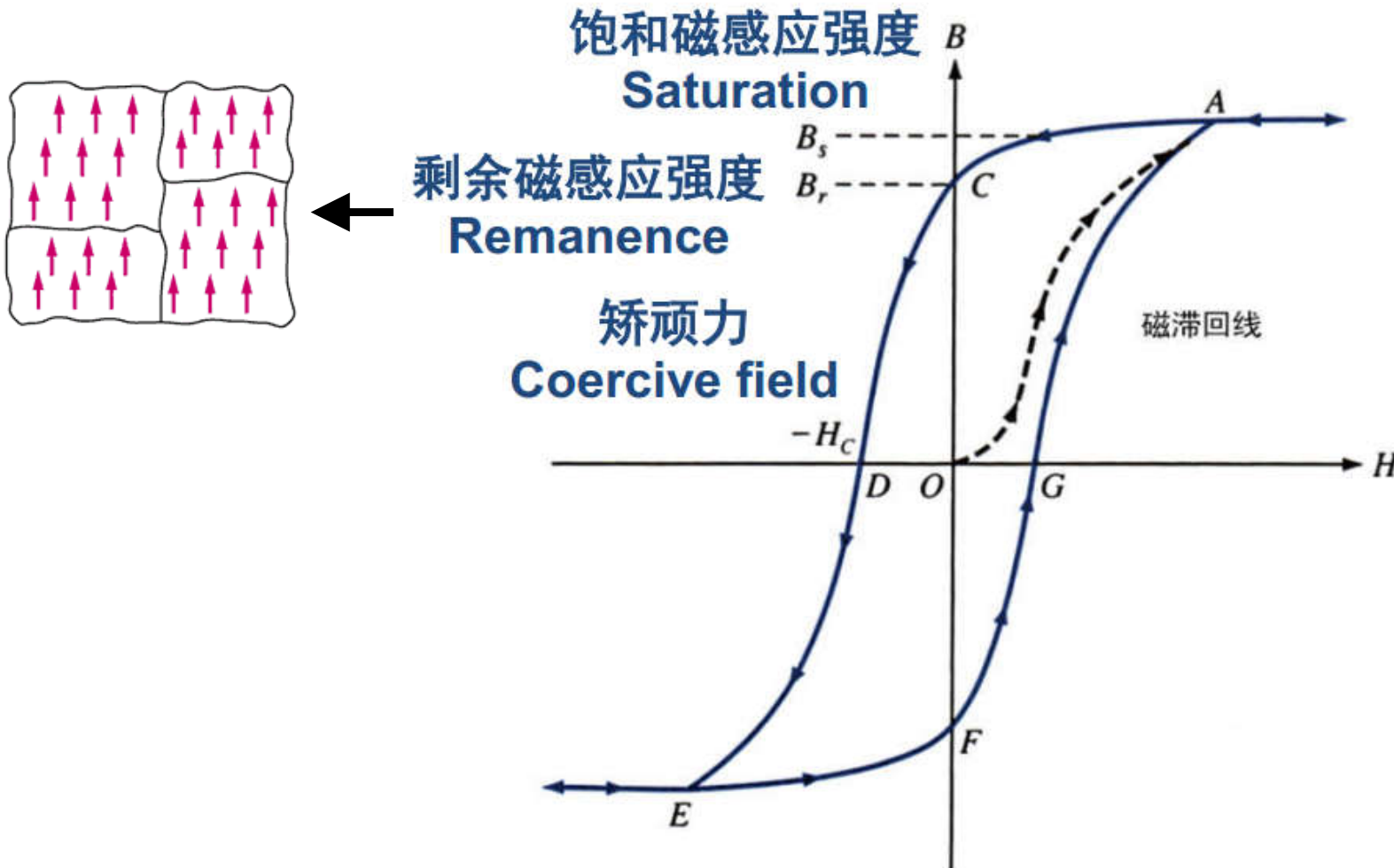
with H field



no H field

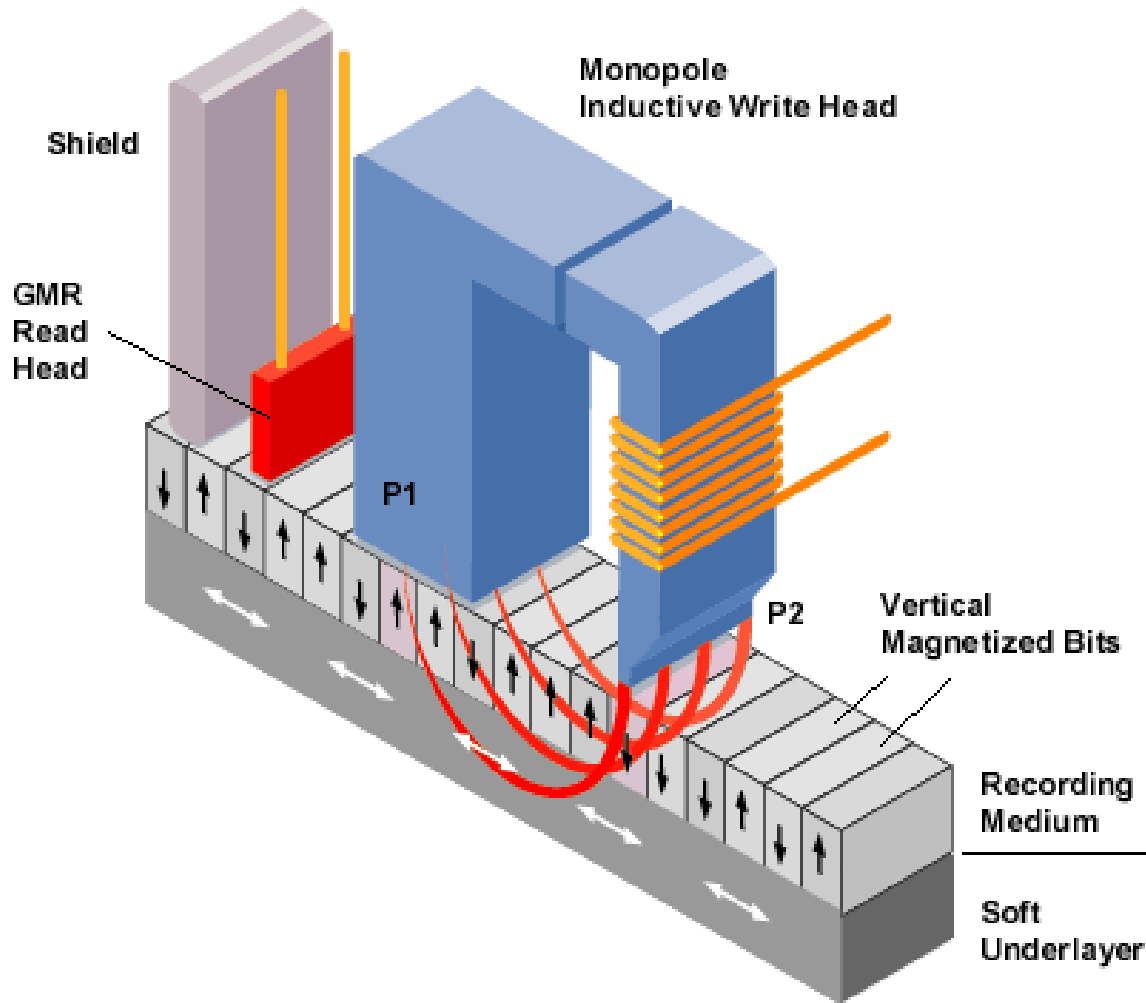
# Ferromagnetism 铁磁性

- B-H curve forms a hysteresis loop (磁滞回线)





# Magnetic recording



Magnetic Tape 磁帶



Hard Drive 硬盘

<https://encyclopedia2.thefreedictionary.com/Perpendicular+magnetic+recording>

# Evolution of Data Storage

## Hard Drive 硬盘



**5 MB**  
**IBM 1956**

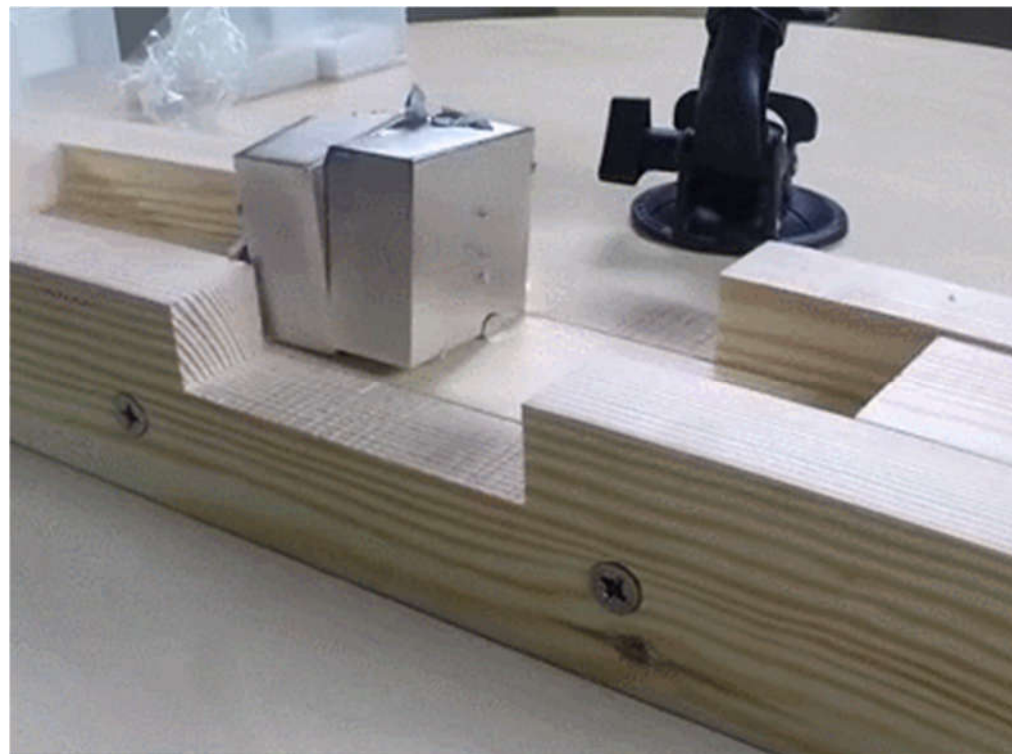


**> 1 TB**  
**Today**

# Ferromagnets can be Powerful



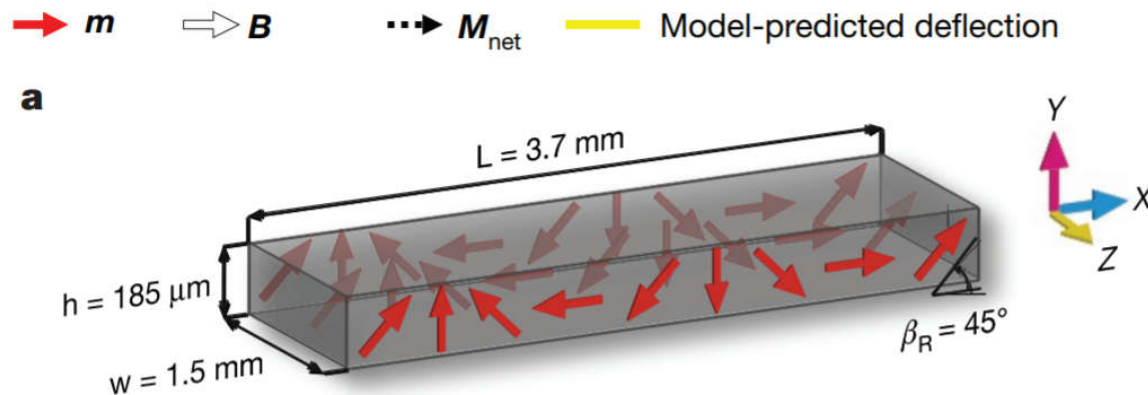
**Be cautious!**



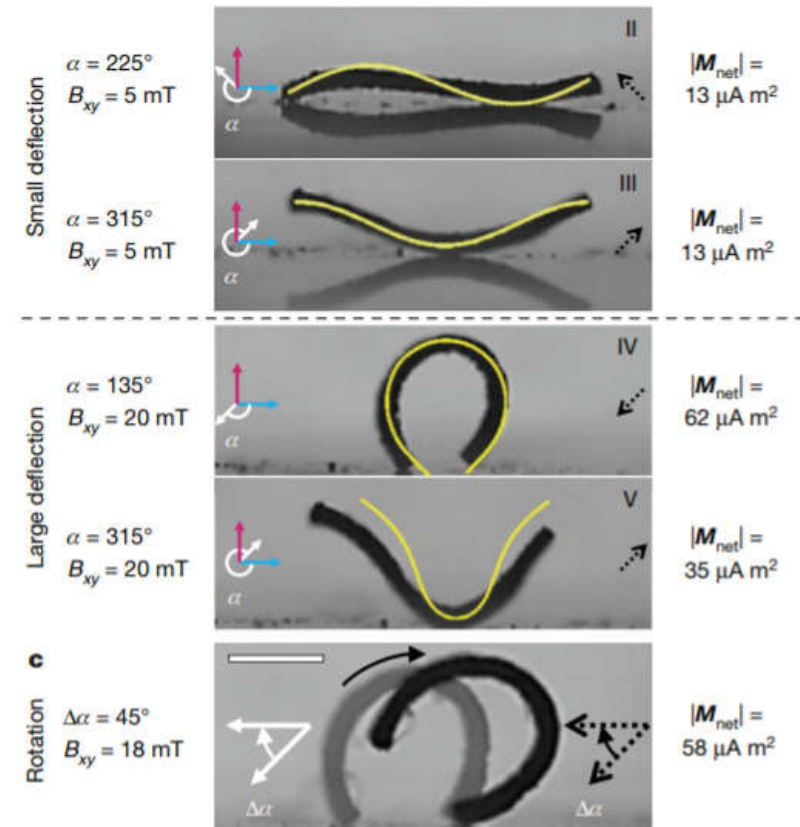
# Mini Magnetic Robot

## Small-scale soft-bodied robot with multimodal locomotion

Wenqi Hu<sup>1\*</sup>, Guo Zhan Lum<sup>1\*</sup>, Massimo Mastrangeli<sup>1</sup> & Metin Sitti<sup>1</sup>



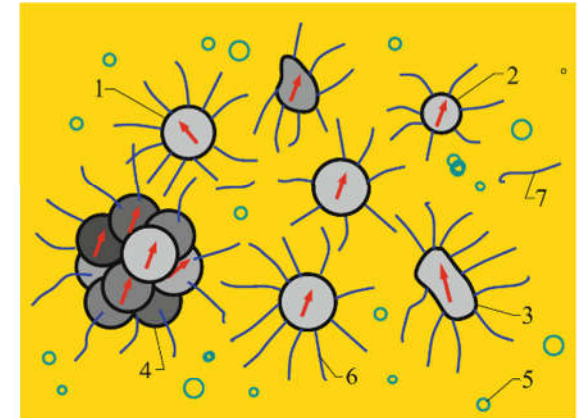
[Video](#)



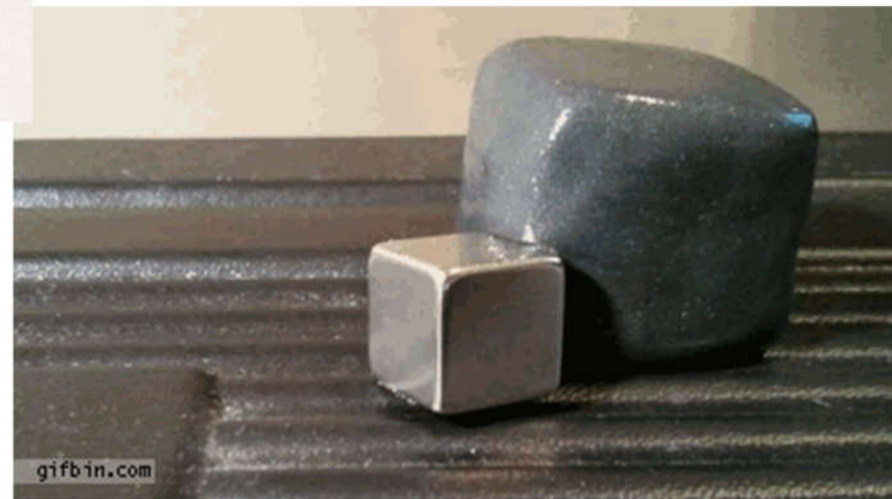


# Ferrofluid 铁磁流体

- A liquid with ferromagnetic particles

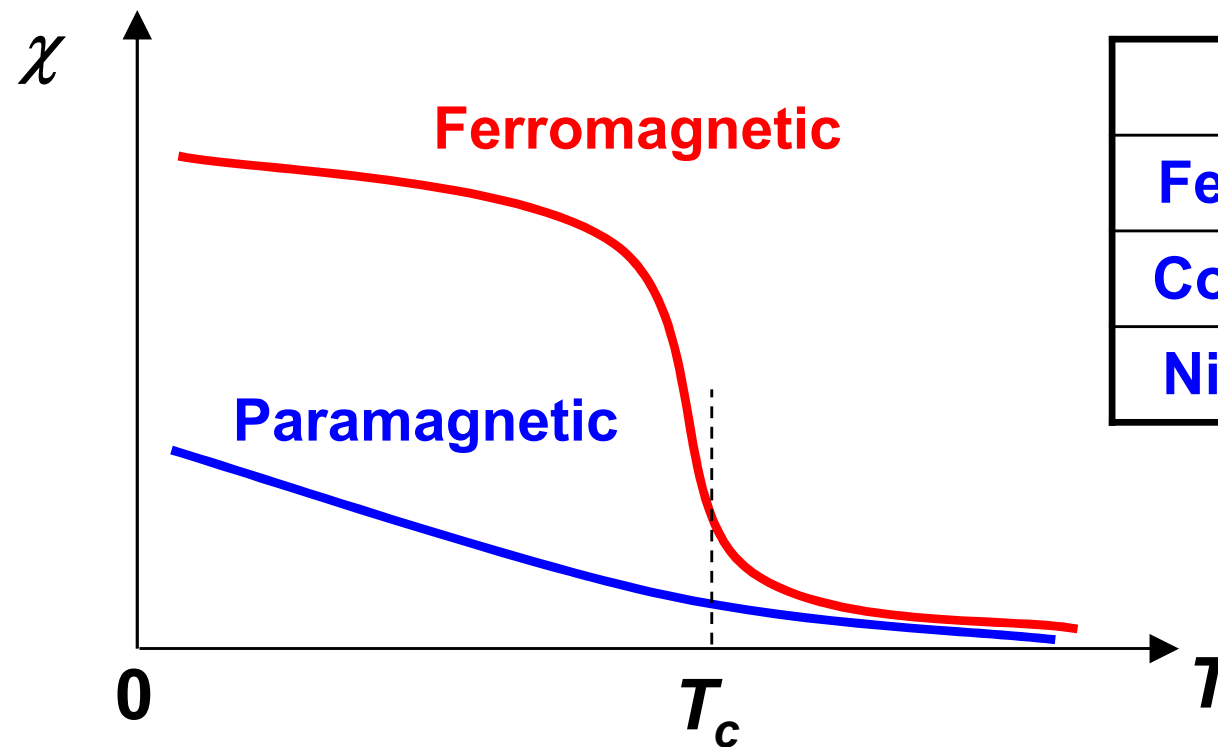


[https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-94427-2\\_1](https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-94427-2_1)



# Temperature Effect

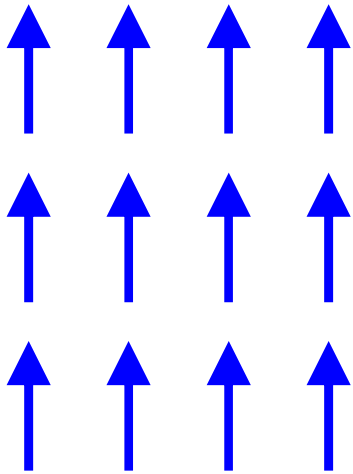
- Magnetization decreases with temperature, because of increased thermal fluctuation
- Ferromagnet becomes paramagnet when  $T > T_c$
- $T_c$  - Curie Temperature 居里温度



	$T_c$ (°C)
Fe	770
Co	1110
Ni	350

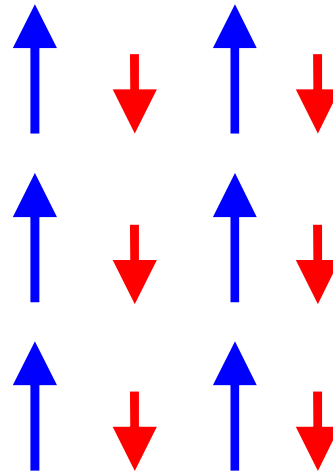
# Antiferromagnetism and Ferrimagnetism

- **Ferrimagnetism** 亚铁磁性
- **Antiferromagnetism** 反铁磁性



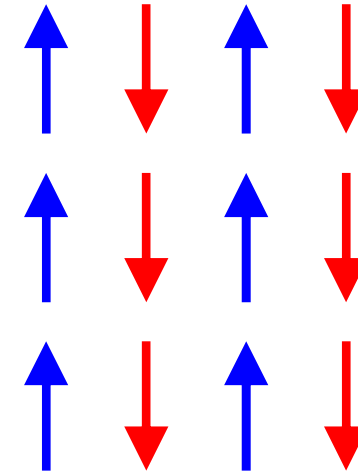
Ferromagnetic

$$\chi_1 \gg 0$$



Ferrimagnetic

$$\chi_2 < \chi_1$$

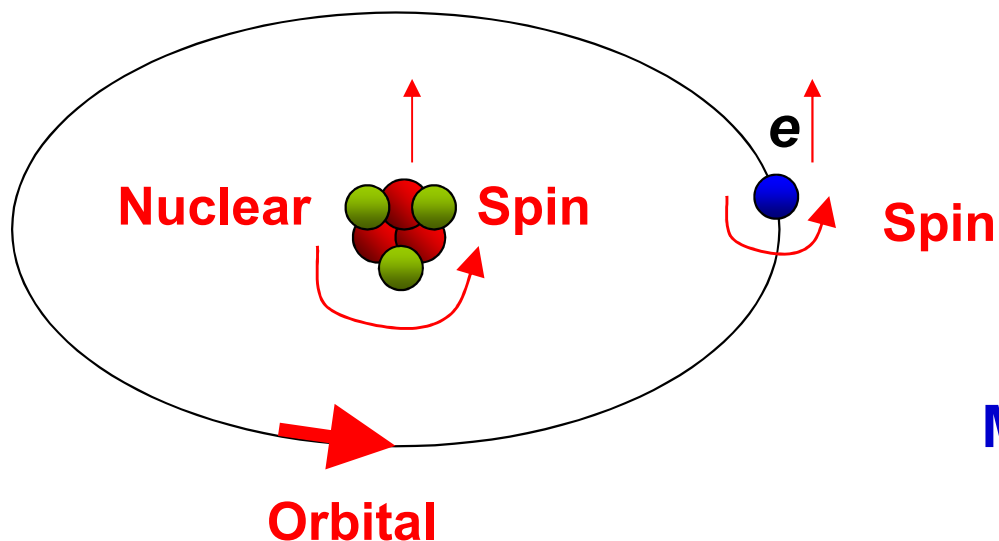


Antiferromagnetic

$$\chi_3 \ll \chi_1$$

# Magnetic Properties of Nuclei

- Protons (质子) and Neutrons (中子) in the nuclei also have spins that generate magnetic moments
- Nuclei with odd numbers of protons and neutrons have a net magnetic moment
- $\chi$  is much smaller ( $< 1/1000$ ) than those of electrons



**Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)**  
核磁共振成像  
detect  $^1\text{H}$  atoms



# Be cautious when doing MRI

- Very strong magnetic field



# Summary

---

- **Maxwell's Equations**

- $H, B, M, \mu_r$
- **Magnetic Susceptibility 磁化率  $\chi$**

- **Origin of magnetism**

- **spin of electrons, orbital angular momentum, external field**
- **nuclear magnetic momentum**

- **Types of magnetism**

- **Diamagnetism 抗磁性**
- **Paramagnetism 顺磁性**
- **Ferromagnetism 铁磁性**
- **Antiferromagnetism 反铁磁性**
- **Ferrimagnetism 亚铁磁性**

***Thank you for your attention***