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ABSTRACTS

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ES-08. Weak ferromagnetic behavior of BiFeO₃ at low temperature. S. Han¹ and C. Kim¹. *Department of Physics, Kookmin University, Seoul, Republic of Korea*

Even though BiFeO₃ has been reported to show weak ferromagnetic behavior at low temperature, its origin has not been clearly explained so far [1-2]. In this study, we have prepared BiFeO₃ by low temperature hydrothermal method and studied the weak ferromagnetic behavior of BiFeO₃ at low temperature. From the x-ray diffraction (XRD) measurement, the crystal structure of BiFeO₃ is determined to be rhombohedral with the space group of $R\bar{3}c$ at 295 K. Here the Rietveld refinement analysis was carried out by considering each Fe- and O- sites divided into two pairs and showed two different atomic positions for each of Fe- and O- sites. The Mössbauer spectra, measured at 295 and 4.2 K, were analyzed with 2-set sextet. And isomer shift (δ) values are between 0.28 and 0.40 mm/s, indicated the Fe³⁺ state. Also, the electric quadrupole shift (E_Q) value, due to lattice contribution in FeO₆ octahedral site, ranges from 0.03 to 0.10 mm/s. The area ratio showed the occupancy of FeO₆ octahedral sites. These results revealed the existence of distorted FeO₆ octahedral sites, as expected from Rietveld refinement and Mössbauer analysis. The magnetization hysteresis (M-H) curves measured at 295 and 4.2 K, show antiferromagnetism at 295 K. However, coercive force (H_C) at 4.2 K is higher than the value at 295 K, which is due to remanent moment, once again revealing the existence of distorted FeO₆ octahedral sites. Thermal agitation affects the magnetic moment at high temperature, explaining the absence of weak ferromagnetic behavior at 295 K and strong weak ferromagnetic behavior at 4.2 K.

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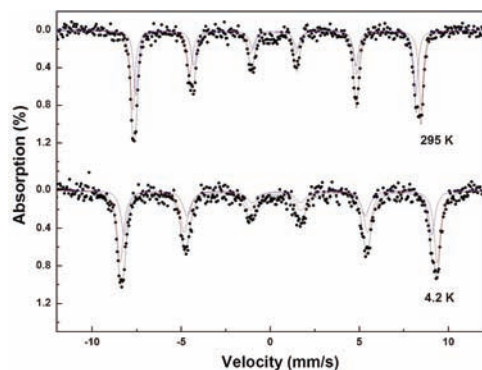


Fig. 1. Mössbauer spectra of BiFeO₃ at 295 and 4.2 K.

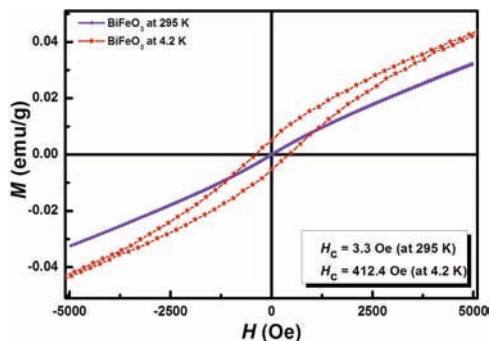


Fig. 2. Magnetic hysteresis loop of BiFeO₃ at 295 and 4.2 K.

ES-09. Size effect on multiferroic TbMn2O5 nanorods. C. Yang¹, Y. Chen¹, W. Huang¹, C. Weng¹, Y. Huang¹, Y. Chen² and M. Wu². *1. Department of Physics, Chung Yuan Christian University, Chung-Li, Taoyuan, Taiwan; 2. Institute of Physics, Academia Sinica, Nankang, Taipei, Taiwan*

The size effect on magnetoelectric properties of TbMn2O5 investigated by using a field emission transmission electron microscope, ac magnetic susceptibility, relative dielectric measurements, and varied temperature x-ray diffractions. Four types of nanorods with different axial lengths labeled as $\langle LC \rangle$ are studied. The $\langle LC \rangle$ equal to 48 nm, 64 nm, 101 nm, and 216 nm nanorods are all crystallized into an orthorhombic Pbam symmetry. All axial directions of the four types of nanorods are parallel to the c axis of the crystal. No such specified orientation of radial direction is found. The magnetic critical size of TbMn2O5 is found between $\langle LC \rangle = 64$ nm and 101 nm. No similar critical length is observed at the ferroelectric ordering. This implies that the size effect broke the magnetoelectric coupling by destroying the magnetic ordering. Because of the size effect, the estimated maximal capacity of TbMn2O5 for memory device usage is at approximately 500 Gb/in². At low temperatures between $T = 16$ K and 27 K, a charge-ordering-like x-ray diffraction peak is found in the $\langle LC \rangle = 216$ nm sample. This phenomenon may be associated with large structure distortion, thus causing the localization of charges between Mn and oxygen ions.

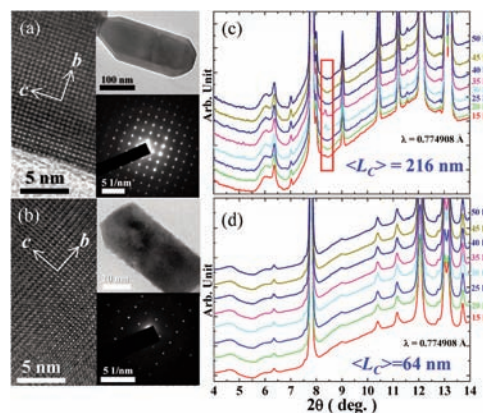


Figure 1. Selected FE-TEM images and corresponding SAED patterns of $\langle LC \rangle = 216$ nm and (b) $\langle LC \rangle = 64$ nm. The varied temperature X-ray diffraction patterns of (c) $\langle LC \rangle = 216$ nm and (d) $\langle LC \rangle = 64$ nm nanorods.