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The Solid State**Magnetic properties of solids:**

- Every substance has some magnetic properties associated with it.
- This is because every electron in an atom behaves as a tiny magnet.
- The magnitude of magnetic moment is measured in Bohr magneton (μ_B).

$$1 \mu_B = 9.27 \times 10^{-24} \text{ Am}^2.$$

- Based on the magnetic properties, substances can be classified into five types.

i) Paramagnetic

ii) Diamagnetic

iii) Ferromagnetic

iv) Ferrimagnetic

Paramagnetic substances:

The substances are weakly attracted by magnetic field. They lose their magnetism in the absence of magnetic field. Paramagnetism in the absence of magnetic field. Paramagnetism may be due to one or more of unpaired electrons.

Ex. O_2 , Cu^{+2} , Fe^{+2} etc.

Diamagnetic substances:

Substances that are weakly repelled by magnetic field. Diamagnetism is due to the absence of unpaired electrons.

Ex. H_2O , NaCl etc.

Ferromagnetic substances:

The substances that are strongly attracted by magnetic field.

- These substances can be permanently magnetized.

Ex. Fe, CO, Ni, CrO₂ etc.

Antiferromagnetic substances:

- The substances which possess more no of unpaired electrons but shows zero net magnetic moment. This is due to opposite orientation of equal no. of domains.

Ex. MnO

Ferromagnetic substances:

The substances which possess more no of unpaired electrons but shows very small net magnetic moment. This is due to opposite orientation of unequal no. of domain.

Ex. V₂O₃, NiO etc.

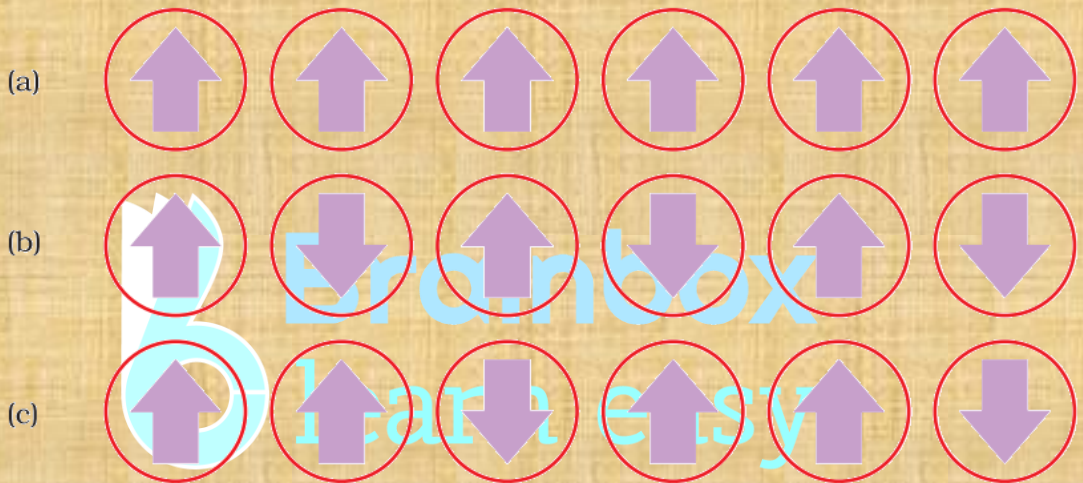


Fig. Schematic alignment of magnetic moments in (a) ferromagnetic (b) antiferromagnetic and (c) ferrimagnetic.