Energía magnetostática - existencia de dominios

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Ejemplo: Esfera de radio R magnetizada uniformemente

$$U(\vec{r}) = \frac{M_s}{3} \cos\theta \times \begin{cases} r, \text{ si } r \leq R \\ \frac{R^3}{r^2} \sin r > R \end{cases} \begin{pmatrix} U_{\text{int}} = \frac{M_s}{3} z \\ \vec{H}_{\text{int}} = -\vec{\nabla}U_{\text{int}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} H_{\text{int}_x} = H_{\text{int}_y} = 0 \\ H_{\text{int}_z} = -\frac{M_s}{3} \end{cases}$$
$$U_{ext} = \frac{M_s R^3 \cos\theta}{3r^2} = \frac{M_s R^3 z}{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$
$$H_{ext_x} = \frac{M_s R^3 xz}{r^5}$$
$$H_{ext_z} = \frac{M_s R^3 yz}{r^5}$$
$$H_{ext_z} = \frac{M_s R^3}{r^3} \left(\frac{z^2}{r^2} - \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

Energía magnetostática Esfera magnetizada uniformemente

energía



Cilindro infinito magnetizado uniformemente en dirección perpendicular al eje



Cilindro infinito magnetizado uniformemente en dirección perpendicular a su eje



Energía magnetostática Otros cuerpos magnetizados uniformemente H_{int} NO uniforme M uniforme Caso general Superficie de 2do H_{int} uniforme grado (cónicas) elipsoide Diagonal si los ejes de coordenadas coinciden con **M** uniforme los del elipsoide Tensor Campo demagnetizante demagnetizante Número si $\vec{M} = \begin{cases} M_S \vec{i} \\ M_S \vec{j} \\ M_S \vec{k} \end{cases}$ Traza unitaria $N_{x} + N_{y} + N_{z} = 1$

elipsoides







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$$M_{n} = \frac{2M_{s}}{\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2n+2)\phi + \sin(2n\phi)}{2n+1}$$

$$\frac{\partial U_{int}}{\partial n} \Big|_{s} - \frac{\partial U_{ext}}{\partial n} \Big|_{s} = \vec{M} \cdot \vec{n} = M_{n}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial U_{int}}{\partial \rho} - \frac{\partial U_{ext}}{\partial \rho}\right)_{\rho=R} = \frac{8M_{s}}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n\sin(2n\phi)}{(2n+1)(2n-1)} \quad (f) \quad \nabla^{2}U = 0$$

$$u_{n}(\rho) = c_{n} \times \begin{cases} (\rho/R)^{2n} \leftrightarrow \rho \leq R \\ (R/\rho)^{2n} \leftrightarrow \rho \geq R \end{cases} \quad U = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_{n}(\rho)\sin(2n\phi)$$

$$\bigcup$$

$$U_{int} = \frac{2RM_{s}}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2n\phi)}{(2n+1)(2n-1)} \left(\frac{\rho}{R}\right)^{2n}$$

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Energía magnetostática por unidad de área \perp al eje del cilindro

Energía magnetostática - Origen de los dominios



Energía magnetostática - Origen de los dominios Superficies no cuadráticas

$$E_{M} = \frac{\mu_{0}V}{2} \left(N_{x}M_{x}^{2} + N_{y}M_{y}^{2} + N_{z}M_{z}^{2} \right)$$

Válido también para cuerpos con superficies no cuadráticas: cubos, prismas, cilindros, octaedros, etc.

(teorema de Brown-Morrish)



Energía magnetostática - campo efectivo

$$\vec{H}_{apl} \qquad \vec{H}_{D} = -N\vec{M}$$
$$\vec{H}_{ef} = \vec{H}_{apl} + \vec{H}_{D} = \vec{H}_{apl} - N\vec{M}$$

Cuando se grafica M vs. H debe usarse como abscisa el H_{ef}

$$\begin{split} H_{apl} & \Longrightarrow M \Rightarrow H_{ef} \\ \text{Si } M \rightsquigarrow M_{\text{s}} & \longrightarrow \vec{M} = \chi \vec{H}_{ef} \\ \vec{H}_{ef} &= \vec{H}_{apl} - N \chi \vec{H}_{ef} \implies \vec{H}_{ef} = \frac{\vec{H}_{apl}}{1 + N \chi} \implies \vec{M} = \frac{\chi}{1 + N \chi} \vec{H}_{apl} \end{split}$$

Si M = M_s

$$H_{ef} = H_{apl} - NM_{S}$$

Ejemplo, Ni

$$M_s \approx 4.8 \times 10^5 \, \text{A} / m \approx 0.6 \text{Tesla}$$

H_D puede alcanzar valores considerables dependiendo de la forma de la muestra Energía magnetostática - factores demagnetizantes Cálculos para elipsoides



Energía magnetostática - factores demagnetizantes

Cálculos en prismas

Demagnetizing factors for rectangular ferromagnetic prisms

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TABLE I. The demagnetizing factor, D_z^s , of a prolate spheroid and the magnetometric demagnetizing factor, D_z^p , of a square prism, for an aspect ratio, p.



FIG. 1. The coordinate system used in the calculations. Its origin is at the center of the rectangular prism. The field H_{appl} is applied along the z axis.

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Dominios y paredes de dominio



thin wall



(b)



Pseudo-3d MFM image of a $(YSmLaCa)_3$ (FeGe)₅ O₁₂ magnetic thin film garnet, 4.5 x 4.5 µm², domain walls appear dark;

Pared de Bloch de 180°





intercambio



Optimización energía por unidad de área de pared

$$\gamma = \Delta \varepsilon_{K} + \Delta \varepsilon_{J} = \frac{KNa}{2} + \frac{\pi^{2}Js^{2}}{Na^{2}}$$
$$d\gamma/dN = \frac{Ka}{2} - \frac{\pi^{2}Js^{2}}{N^{2}a^{2}} = 0$$
$$\bigvee_{eq} = \pi \left(\frac{2Js^{2}}{Ka^{3}}\right)^{1/2}$$
$$\delta_{eq} = N_{eq}a = \pi \sqrt{\frac{2Js^{2}}{Ka}} = \pi \sqrt{\frac{2A}{K}}$$

Ancho de la pared

$$A \approx Js^2 / a$$

Cte de stiffness

$$\gamma_{eq} = 2\pi\sqrt{2KA}$$

$$A = 10^{-11} J / m$$

$$10^{-12} J / m \le A \le 10^{-11} J / m$$

$$K = 10^{3} J / m^{3} \implies \delta_{eq} = 444 nm$$

$$K = 10^{5} J / m^{3} \implies \delta_{eq} = 44.4 nm$$

Observación de dominios



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Fig. 6.19a,b: The demagnetized state of sintered NdFeB permanent magnet material depends strongly on magnetic history. (a) shows the thermally demagnetized state in which virtually all grains are demagnetized within themselves. The demagnetized state (b) was achieved by applying a field slightly higher than coercivity after saturation. Here only the average magnetization is zero, while most grains are saturated in either direction

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Fig. 6.13: Magnetostriction-free metallic glasses are unique soft magnetic materials in being insensitive to elastic deformation. The same domain pattern is observed in the flat state (a) and in a strongly bent state (b). In contrast, regular magnetostrictive materials display a complete domain rearrangement on bending (c, d)

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Técnica Bitter

<u>Técnica Bitter</u> (1931): dispersión sobre la muestra de un líquido portador de pequeñas partículas ferromagnéticas. Las partículas se acumulan en zonas de equilibrio. Experimentan fuerzas máximas donde el gradiente de campo es máximo (bordes de dominio). Soluciones coloidales de Fe_3O_4 .



Fig. 2.1 (a) Domains in an ion-implanted garnet layer made visible by Ferrofluid[®] (courtesy *D.B. Dove*, IBM Yorktown Heights [54]). The circular shape is unimplanted. (b, c) Stress-induced domains on a Ni₅₅Fe₄₅ crystal revealed by Lignosite FML[®]. A perpendicular field of 1.5 kA/m was applied in (c) to improve the contrast of the same pattern. The NiFe crystal has $\langle 100 \rangle$ easy directions and a near (100) surface



Técnica Bitter

microscopía

bitter



kerr

patrones de dominio en láminas (110) ligeramente desorientadas de silicio-hierro (c). Los patrones "circulares" oscuros se deben a una acumulación subsuperficial de "carga" magnética la que no se observa en métodos más superficiales como el efecto Kerr magneto-óptico (d)

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<u>Efecto Kerr</u>: rotación de la dirección de polarización de un haz de luz polarizda al reflejarse en la superficie de un material magnético



El principio Kerr es que al reflejarse luz linealmente polarizada por un material magnetizado, rota el plano de polarización. Ello ocurre porque los índices de refracción de la luz polarizada circularmente a derecha y a izquierda son diferentes en presencia de magnetización. El ángulo de rotación producido por un material ferromagnético es generalmente de aprox. 1E-3 a 1E-2 grados, aunque se han observado ángulos mucho mayores en aleaciones de Tb-Fe-Co (un grado) y en compuestos de uranio (nueve grados). El ángulo de rotación es mayor cuando se incrementa el ángulo de incidencia. A partir del cambio de la intensidad Kerr (proporcional a la rotación Kerr y a la magnetización de la muestra) se construye la curva de histéresis en función del campo aplicado.



Microscopía - imágenes



Fig. 2.9 Two examples of magneto-optical images from the time before the introduction of digital image processing. Branched domains on a cobalt crystal are shown in (a), taken by the polar Kerr effect in an applied field parallel to the easy axis. The overview picture (b) shows the "saw-tooth" pattern on a (110)-oriented silicon-iron crystal [124], taken with the longitudinal Kerr effect in a field perpendicular to the preferred axis of this material



imagen Kerr de dominios magnéticos, observados en dos lados de un trozo de Fe

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Dependiendo del plano de incidencia puede observarse el patrón de dominios (b) o la subestructura de las paredes de dominio (a). Sobre un cristal de SiFe orientado en la dirección (100)



mapas

Microscopía Kerr cuantitativa. La magnetización superficial de un vidrio metálico se registra en un microscopio Kerr usando dos ejes con diferente sensibilidad. Se combina la información de ambas observaciones en una computadora y se representan en colores las direcciones de la magnetización

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Magneto-optical Kerr effect (MOKE) CU - Colorado Springs Department of Physics and Energy Science



Este sistema usa un electroimán de 1Tesla. Utiliza un láser HeNe ultra-estable y polarizadores de alta calidad. El sistema de adquisición de datos produce las curvas de histéresis de películas delgadas magnéticas.

Magneto-optical Kerr effect at Washington University



Surface Magneto Optic Kerr Effect (SMOKE)

SMOKE: dispositivo para estudiar magnetismo superficial en películas ultradelgadas. Esta técnica fue iniciada por S.D. Bader y E.R. Moog a fines de los '80.

(Moog, E.R. and S.D. Bader. "Superlattices and Microstructures" Vol. 1:543 1985).





Note: (1) Laser, (2) polarizers, (3) mirrors, (4) sample, (5) magnetic core, (6) pulley, (7) photodetector, and (8) band-pass filter. This diagram is the measurement of longitudinal Kerr Effect and the external field is in the plane of sample. The electromagnet can be rotated by means of the pulley through a push-pull rod.

O Magnetômetro a Efeito Kerr e o filme fino de Co/Si



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Magneto-optical storage technology

As implied by the name, these drives use a hybrid of magnetic and optical <u>technologies</u>, employing laser to read data on the disk, while additionally needing magnetic field to write data. An MO <u>disk drive</u> is so designed that an inserted disk will be exposed to a magnet on the label side and to the light (laser beam) on the opposite side. The <u>disks</u>, which come in 3.5in and 5.25in formats, have a special alloy layer that has the property of reflecting laser light at slightly different angles depending on which way it's magnetised, and data can be stored on it as north and south magnetic spots, just like on a <u>hard disk</u>.

While a hard disk can be magnetised at any temperature, the magnetic coating used on MO media is designed to be extremely stable at room temperature, making the data unchangeable unless the disc is heated to above a temperature level called the Curie point, usually around 200 degrees centigrade. Instead of heating the whole disc, MO drives use a laser to target and heat specific regions of magnetic particles. This accurate technique enables MO media to pack in a lot more information than other magnetic devices. Once heated the magnetic particles can easily have their direction changed by a magnetic field generated by the read/write head.



Lectura

Information is read using a less powerful laser, making use of the Kerr Effect, where the polarity of the reflected light is altered depending on the orientation of the magnetic particles. Where the laser/magnetic head hasn't touched the disk, the spot represents a "0", and the spots where the disk has been heated up and magnetically written will be seen as data "1s".

However, this is a "two-pass" process which, coupled with the tendency for MO heads to be heavy, resulted in early implementations being relatively slow. Nevertheless, MO disks can offer very high capacity and fairly cheap media as well as top archival properties, often being rated with an **average life of 30 years** - far longer than any magnetic media.

Magneto-optical technology received a massive boost in the spring of 1997 with the launch of Plasmon's DW260 drive which used LIMDOW technology to achieve a much increased level of performance over previous MO drives.

Efecto Faraday

Efecto Faraday: Como el Kerr, pero por transmisión. Para láminas delgadas de óxidos ferromagnéticos o películas metálicas.



Fig. 2.21 A transmission image of a modified YIG garnet plate. Because of a small cobalt content, the easy axes in this garnet are $\langle 100 \rangle$. We see mainly the Voigt effect in the domains differing by 90°, and the polar Faraday effect in the 180° domain walls. The illumination is almost perpendicular, but a slight tilting (along the vertical axis in the picture) generates some longitudinal Faraday contrast between the 180° domains, too. (Together with *M. Rührig*, Erlangen. Sample: courtesy *W. Tolksdorf*, Philips Hamburg)

Microscopía Lorentz-TEM

Microscopía Lorentz-TEM: Para espesores de hasta unos 200 nm. Los electrones transmitidos son deflectados por la fuerza de Lorentz $\mathbf{F} = -\mathbf{evxB}$. El ángulo de deflexión es pequeño (típicamente 0.01° en Fe). Es necesario sobre o sub enfocar la imagen porque al modificar el foco las imágenes de dominios con magnetizaciones diferentes se mueven en direcciones diferentes. Se pueden obtener resoluciones de hasta 5 nm. La muestra debe apantallarse magnéticamente.



Fig. 2.25 Electron deflection in the shadow, or "Fresnel" mode (a). The microscope is focused some millimetres below the sample. (b) Optical analogue of (a)

Transmission electron microscopy

Schematic of magnetic contrast generation in the Fresnel and Foucault modes of Lorentz TEM. The Fresnel intensity indicates that only domain walls are delineated, whilst the Foucault intensity is constant within the interior of the domain and only changes at domain walls.



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Fresnel image of magnetic domains in a *CoNi/Pt multilayer*.

This maze type domain structure is typical for films with perpendicular anisotropy.



Fresnel image of magnetic domains and ripple contrast in a magnetically soft **Co/Cu multilayer** which exhibits GMR. The ripple is always orthogonal to the direction of magnetisation within a domain.

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Fig. 2.26 Lorentz picture of a polycrystalline Permalloy film showing the streaky *ripple* texture perpendicular to the mean magnetization in the domains and *cross-tie* walls. The convergent wall displays diffraction fringes as shown in the enlargement. (Courtesy *S. Tsukahara* [261])



Fig. 2.27 A defocused mode Lorentz picture from a (100)-oriented single-crystal iron sample of unknown thickness. Note the asymmetric profile of the divergent (black) wall which reflects the internal structure of the asymmetric Bloch wall (Sect. 3.6.4D). The irregular lines are lattice contrasts. (Courtesy S. Tsukahara [261])



Magnetic domains in a thin cobalt film

The colours in the image show the different directions of the magnetic field in a layer of polycrystalline cobalt that has a thickness of only 20nm. The direction of the magnetic field in the film changes at the positions of domain walls. The field of view is approximately 200µm. The image was acquired using the **Fresnel** mode of Lorentz microscopy in a field emission gun transmission electron microscope. It was recorded out of focus to enhance the contrast of the domain walls, and then converted to a colour induction map by applying the Transport of Intensity Equation to the image intensity



The image is changing domain patterns of silicon steel according to successively changing magnetic field of +2.4, 0 and -2.4 kA/m. It is dark-field microscopic image of Colloid A-07-dropped specimen. Changes of triangular shapes and sizes of domains are clearly seen.



Fig. 2.30 The Differential Phase Contrast method of transmission electron microscopy offers quantitative information at high resolution. The pictures show the horizontal (a) and the vertical (b) magnetization components of a closed-flux domain pattern in a thin-film Permalloy element

(J.N. Chapman)

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Electron Reflection and Scattering Methods

<u>SEM</u>: basada también en el efecto de la fuerza de Lorentz



Fig. 2.33 Schematic of Type I contrast (a). The secondary electrons of the two beams see different fields and are deflected into different directions. (b) Domains on a cobalt crystal (edge view) as a typical example for this technique. (Courtesy *J. Jakubovics* [312])

Electron Reflection and Scattering Methods



Fig. 2.34 Backscattering contrast in the SEM (a) with some typical electron paths inside the sample, and an image of a silicon-iron transformer steel sample (b) showing domains near a scratch introduced for the purpose of domain refinement. (Courtesy *T. Nozawa* [332])



Fig. 2.35 Domain boundary contrast formation in the SEM at oblique incidence with the plane of incidence parallel to the domain walls (a). The backscattering probability is larger near the left than near the right wall. (b) Boundary contrast on a (100) SiFe crystal, together with domain contrast from closure domains near a scratch. (Courtesy *J.P. Jakubovics*)

Magnetic Force Microscopy



Probes stray fields Resolution ~40 nm Tip-sample interactions High fields / low temperatures difficult



Fig. 2.40 Written longitudinal recording track pattern observed in a magnetic force microscope, displaying the magnetic charges at the transitions. (Courtesy *D. Rugar*, IBM Research)



Fig. 2.43d,e Magnetic force microscopy on the basal plane of a cobalt crystal. Image processing can reveal "susceptibility contrast" (d) and "charge contrast" (e), two imaging modes which are unavailable with other techniques. (d) and (e) are the sum and the difference of images taken with opposite polarity of the tip magnetization, respectively

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Magnetic Materials

Finished magnetic heads can be measured for their performance and response to signal and noise fields. Devices can also be examined using the Bitter Pattern System to locate magnetic domain irregularities.

Magnetic Recording Imaging

Magnetic force microscopy images of recorded media (tape, disk, film) made with our scanning probe microscope can provide insight into problems that may exist within a recording system, such as tracking error, head to media spacing, and media jitter.





Magnetic domains in low-coercivity, amorphous CoZrNb film used in emerging, high- M_s thin-film heads. 50µm scan. Visible are Landau-Lifshitz and cross-tie domains, and the effects of edge roughness. Such images surpass the resolution of optical Kerr-effect. Captured with LiftMode (lift height 75nm) and a lowmoment tip to prevent domain perturbation.

MFM Magnetic stripe-domains in *a*-GdFe₂ films thickness:



Reorientation transition of ultrathin cobalt films on Au(111)



Three **MFM** images of cobalt deposited on gold. The numbers within the images indicate the nominal film thickness in monolayers. Tip magnetization is perpendicular to the surface. At low coverages (2 ML) bright and dark areas, which correspond to out-of-plane domains are observed. The contrast vanishes a 4.3 ML coverage. At 6 ML doverage the magnetic contrast reappears, but now domain walls are imaged - a typical signature of domains with in plane magnetization. The observed contrast change clearly indicates a thickness dependent reorientation of the magnetization direction in the cobalt film.

Domain Growth on La_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO₃



The stability at low temperatures and the careful microscope design enable a detailed study of domain growth in external magnetic fields. The two images on the left show the maze type domain structure of an perovskite manganite thin film in two slightly different external magnetic fields. Bright areas indicate regions, where tip and sample magnetization is parallel (attractive magnetostatic interaction), while dark areas indicate an antiparallel configuration (repulsive magnetostatic interaction). It is difficult to detect any difference. However, after subtracting one image from the other, those areas, which changed their magnetization direction become clearly visible as dark spots in the right image.

Investigation of magnetic bit structures



Two MFM images of closely spaced bit tracks on a tape, which is used as mass data storage device. While the read head can only disinguish "1" and "0" along the tracks, MFM is able resolve the fine structure of the magnetic bit structure. Regarding device optimations the area where neighbouring meet (right image) are of particular importance to increase the bit density.



MFM image showing the bits of a hard disk. Field of view $30\mu m$

Topology and dynamics of magnetic domains



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In soft magnetic materials with perpendicular anisotropy such as yttrium iron garnets, domains form a labyrinthine structure in the demagnetized state. This structure is also observed in other physical systems, such as ferrofluids, Langmur films, oscillatory chemical reactions, polymers and many other. It appears, that the local mobility of the domain walls is closely related to the domain topology. We do imaging studies of the domain wall responce to a periodic and non-periodic magnetic drive and investigate depinning and creep phenomena in labyrinthine domain structures.



X-ray, Neutron and Other Methods



Fig. 2.48b X-ray topography displays 90° domain walls and dislocations in a silicon iron sheet at the same time (Courtesy *J. Miltat*)

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Comparison of Domain Observation Methods

| | | | | X-ray |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------|------------------|-------|
| | | | Conventional SEM | |
| Pola | rization analy | ysis SEM | | |
| Differential and defocused TEM | | | | |
| Holographic TEM | | | | |
| Magneto-optic: metals | | | oxides | |
| | | _ | Bitter, MFM | |
| 1 nm | 10 nm | 100 nm | 1 μm | 10 µm |
| Information depth | | | | |

One of several criteria used in the comparison of domain observation techniques. SEM = Scanning (reflection) electron microscopy, TEM = transmission electron microscopy, MFM = magnetic force microscopy