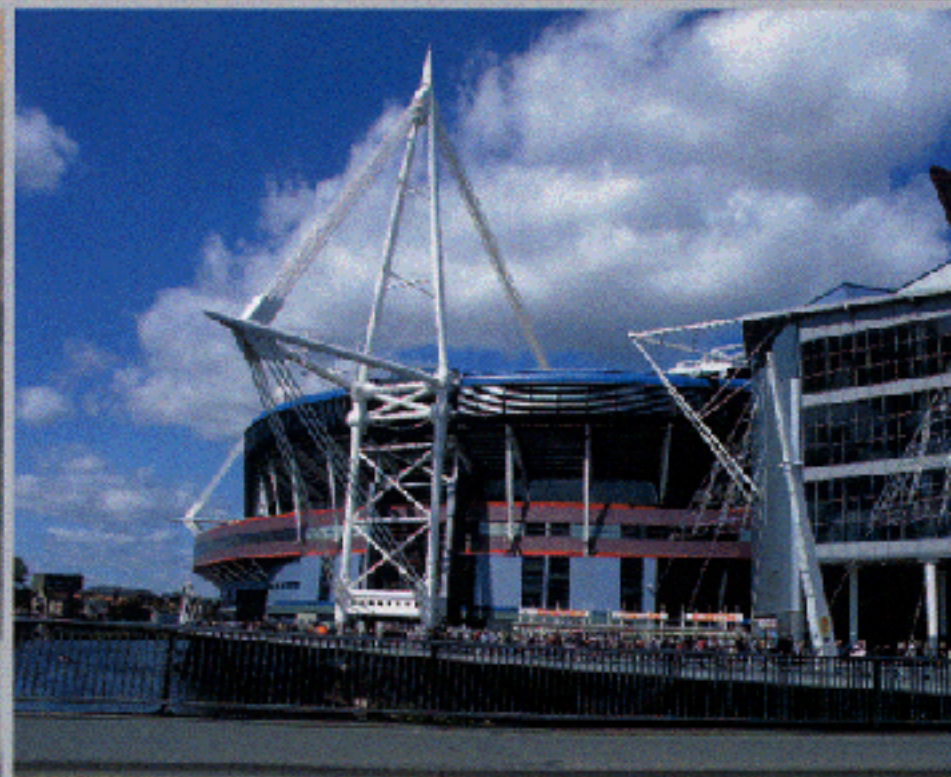




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MÖSSBAUER STUDY OF ANTIFERROMAGNETIC CuFeO_2

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Recently, spin frustration system have been attracting attention in various materials because of their magnetic and multiferroic properties. We characterized magnetic properties and Mössbauer study of frustrated antiferromagnetic CuFeO_2 powders using by x-ray diffraction, Mössbauer spectroscopy, and neutron diffraction. The sample was prepared using solid state reaction methods and synthesized single phase at 1000 °C for 40 hours in evacuated silica tube. The x-ray diffraction pattern was hexagonal structure (space group $R\bar{3}c$), and lattice constants a_0 and c_0 were 3.037 and 17.182 Å, respectively. Mössbauer spectra were taken at various temperatures range from 4.2 K to room temperature. Néel temperature (T_{N1}) and commensurate magnetic ordering temperature (T_{N2}) were determined 17 K and 11 K using Mössbauer data. One six-line hyperfine pattern was fitted at 11 K, but two six-line hyperfine patterns were fitted at 12 K and the hyperfine fields were 472 and 420 KOe, respectively. The isomer shift values at room temperature are found to be 0.32 mm/s, which are consistent with high-spin Fe^{3+} charge states.

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