

# Local Magnetic Properties of Spinel $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{M}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$ ( $\text{M} = \text{Zn}, \text{Ni}$ ) Investigated by Using External Magnetic Field Mössbauer Spectrometry

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$\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{M}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Zn}, \text{Ni}$ ) ferrites, prepared by using a solid state reaction method, have been studied by using X-ray diffraction and Mössbauer spectroscopy. The lattice constants are determined to be  $a_0 = 8.686 \text{ \AA}$  for  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Zn}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  and  $8.664 \text{ \AA}$  for  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Ni}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  with a cubic spinel structure. Zero-field Mössbauer spectra of the samples were taken at various temperatures ranging from 4.2 to 295 K. A line broadening arising from the relaxation effect was observed at temperatures below the Néel temperature ( $T_N$ ), which is 18 K for  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Zn}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  and 40 K for  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Ni}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$ . The magnetic hyperfine fields, obtained by fitting Mössbauer spectra with two magnetic components, of  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Zn}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  and  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Ni}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  were  $H_{hf}(A) = 461 \text{ kOe}$ ,  $H_{hf}(B) = 492 \text{ kOe}$ , and  $H_{hf}(A) = 485 \text{ kOe}$ ,  $H_{hf}(B) = 503 \text{ kOe}$ , respectively. The isomer shift  $\delta$  values at room temperature were  $0.24 \sim 0.25 \text{ mm/s}$ , indicating that the valence state of Fe ions is ferric in tetrahedral and octahedral coordination. Their magnetic behaviors at low temperatures were also investigated with an external-field Mössbauer spectrometer at 48 kOe and showed localized spin-canting at both  $A$  and  $B$  sites with the average canting angles of  $65^\circ$  and  $54^\circ$  for  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Zn}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  and of  $51^\circ$  and  $43^\circ$  for  $\text{Cd}_{0.9}\text{Ni}_{0.1}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_4$  at 4.2 K.

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