

*The Defect Structure of CdTe; Self-Diffusion Data.* S. S. CHERN AND F. A. KROGER. Department of Materials Science, University of Southern California, University Park, Los Angeles, California 90007. Cadmium and Te tracer self-diffusion was studied for pure and indium-doped CdTe. Analysis of the results leads to a point defect model in which imperfections with various charges play a role. Expressions for the tracer diffusion coefficients by various mechanisms and for the diffusion coefficients of individual point defects are arrived at.

*Magnetic Susceptibility and Torque Measurements of  $FeV_2S_4$ ,  $FeV_2Se_4$ , and  $FeTi_2Se_4$ .* S. MURANAKA AND T. TAKADA. Institute for Chemical Research, Kyoto University, Uji, Kyoto-fu, Japan. Magnetic susceptibility and torque measurements of  $FeV_2S_4$ ,  $FeV_2Se_4$ , and  $FeTi_2Se_4$  were made using the powder and the single-crystal samples. The inverse susceptibility of  $FeV_2S_4$ ,  $FeV_2Se_4$ , and  $FeTi_2Se_4$  changed its slope at 850, 820, and 700 K, respectively, at which temperature the order-disorder transition of cation vacancies should seem to take place. Above these temperatures the paramagnetic moment obtained for these compounds was in the range of 5.26–5.37  $\mu_B$ , close to that of the high spin state  $Fe^{2+}$ . Below these temperatures the paramagnetic moment was reduced to 4.23–4.35  $\mu_B$ . The antiferromagnetic spin axis of  $FeV_2S_4$  was in the neighborhood of the [101] direction and that of  $FeV_2Se_4$  and  $FeTi_2Se_4$  in the direction of the *c*-axis. The large magnetic anisotropy observed of the *c* axis were attributed to the spin-orbit interaction of  $Fe^{2+}$  electrons in the trigonal crystal field.

*An  $^{57}Fe$  Mössbauer Effect of Magnetic Ordering in the  $Fe_2O_3$ - $Cr_2O_3$  System.* T. BIRCHALL AND A. F. REID. Division of Mineral Chemistry, CSIRO, Box 124, Port Melbourne, Australia.  $^{57}Fe$  Mössbauer effect spectra have been obtained as a function of temperature for a series of  $Fe_2O_3$ - $Cr_2O_3$  compositions in the range 0.2–75%  $Fe_2O_3$ . From 30% of  $Fe_2O_3$  upwards, the dependence of the reduced internal magnetic field  $H_{eff}(T)/H_{eff}(T=0)$  on reduced temperature,  $T/T_N$ , was found to be identical with that for  $\alpha$ - $Fe_2O_3$ , indicating the persistence of  $Fe_2O_3$ -type ordering over this composition range. For 0.2% of  $^{57}Fe_2O_3$  in  $Cr_2O_3$ , the reduced field values fall far below those for  $\alpha$ - $Fe_2O_3$  or  $Cr_2O_3$ , and weak coupling of  $Fe^{3+}$  with  $Cr^{3+}$  has been inferred. A Morin transition similar to that for  $\alpha$ - $Fe_2O_3$  was not present for samples containing 75% of  $Fe_2O_3$ . Quadrupole shifts  $\epsilon$  were found to be negative and diminishing between 75 and 30%  $Fe_2O_3$ , and positive between 20 and 0.2%. The limiting value at lowest dilution of  $0.113 \pm .010$  mm/sec corresponds to a nuclear quadrupole coupling constant  $e^2qQ$  of  $0.45 \pm .04$ , approximately half that for  $\alpha$ - $Fe_2O_3$ . Cone angles for  $Fe^{3+}$  spin vectors in the spin-spiral arrangements for intermediate compositions have been derived, and are similar to, but less extreme than those deduced from neutron diffraction data.

*Sur les Propriétés Electriques et Magnétiques des Phases  $M_xZrS_2$  ( $M = Fe, Co, Ni$ ).* L. TRICHET, J. ROUXEL, AND M. POUCHARD. Laboratoire de Chimie Minerale A, E.R.A. No. 472, 38 Boulevard Michelet, 44037 Nantes Cedex, France. The  $M_xZrS_2$  systems with  $M = Fe, Co, Ni$  have been investigated. Nonstoichiometric phases are observed with  $M$  in the tetrahedral sites between  $ZrS_2$  layers. Electric measurements characterize a semiconducting behavior and suggest the occurrence of trigonal zirconium + III clusters. Magnetic measurements seem to confirm also M-M bond formation.

*The Synthesis and Crystal Structure of  $CaCu_3Mn_4O_{12}$ : A New Ferromagnetic Perovskite-like Compound.* J. CHENAVAS, J. C. JOUBERT, M. MAREZIO, AND B. BOCHU. Laboratoire des Rayons X, C.N.R.S., Rue des Martyrs, B.P. 166, 38042 Grenoble Cedex, France. Single crystals of  $CaCu_3Mn_4O_{12}$ , a new ferromagnetic perovskite-like compound ( $T_c \simeq 160^\circ C$ ), have been synthesized at 50 kbar and  $1000^\circ C$ . By X-ray analysis it was found to be cubic ( $a = 7.241 \text{ \AA}$ ), space group  $Im\bar{3}$  with two molecules per unit cell. The  $2Ca^{2+}$  and  $6Cu^{2+}$  cations occupy the *A*-sites of the ideal perovskite structure while the  $8Mn^{4+}$  cations occupy the *B*-sites. In the  $Im\bar{3}$  space group the sites occupied by the calcium and copper cations have different point symmetry and therefore the 12-oxygen polyhedra have different distortions. The Ca cations are surrounded by slightly distorted isosahedra, the Ca-O distance being 2.562  $\text{\AA}$ . The 12 oxygens around the copper cations are arranged as three mutually perpendicular rectangles of different size, the smallest and the largest being almost squares. The three sets of Cu-O distances are 1.942, 2.707, and 3.181  $\text{\AA}$ , respectively. The octahedral Mn-O distance is 1.915  $\text{\AA}$ . This arrangement is similar to that one found in  $NaMn_3O_{13}$ . A comparison between the two structures and a discussion of their thermal data are given.