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Ab Initio Study of Magnetic Properties of Cr-doped Chalcopyrites: (BeSn, BeGe, MgGe)N₂¹ J. RUFINUS, Widener University, Chester, PA 19013, J. L. DEWINTER, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407 — A Density Functional Theory within Generalized Gradient Approximation study of three thermodynamically stable Cr-doped (II-IV)-N₂ chalcopyrites: (BeSn, BeGe, MgGe)N₂ was performed. Since the chalcopyrites are ternary materials, there are possibilities of having ferromagnetic or antiferromagnetic configurations, depending on which metal site was substituted by the dopant. The results show both BeSnN₂ and BeGeN₂ to be ferromagnetic independent of the substitution sites. On the other hand, MgGeN₂ was found to be antiferromagnetic for Cr_{Mg} (Cr substitutes Mg site) and ferromagnetic for Cr_{Ge} (Cr substitutes Ge site.)

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