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Structural, Electronic and Magnetic Properties of Ti_{1+x}FeSb and TiFe_{0.75}M_{0.25}Sb (M=Ni, Mn) Heusler Alloys SAID AL AZAR, Basic Sciences Department, Dar Al Uloom University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, AHMAD MOUSA, Department of Basic Sciences, Middle East University, Amman, Jordan — Density functional theory calculations based on full potential linearized augmented planewave (FPLAPW) plus local orbital method in the framework of GGA-PBE, as embodied in the WIEN2k code, is used to investigate the structural, electronic and magnetic properties of intermetallic Ti_{1+x}FeS Heusler compounds, where (x = i/4, i = -i/4)3, 2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4) and the TiFe_{0.75}M_{0.25}Sb (M = Ni, Mn) quaternary semi-Heusler compounds. Moreover, the modified Becke-Johnson exchange potential, as a semilocal method, was employed to predict the band-gap more precisely. We examined the site preference of the parent compound TiFeSb and varying the electron concentration by doping or removing a Ti atom. It is found that they play a crucial role in physical properties of these material systems. The lattice parameters and spin magnetic moment calculated were consistent with the previous experimental and theoretical data available. Moreover, alloys with x < 0 are found to exhibit a ferrimagnetic phase, and the alloy with x=0.25 exhibit a non-magnetic properties, whereas the rest have shown ferromagnetic phase. The band-structure analysis of Ti_{1.75}FeSb, Ti₂FeSb and TiFe_{0.75}Ni_{0.25}Sb alloys suggested that they could be a ferromagnetic half-metallic members with band-gaps 0.67, 0.41 and 0.54 eV, respectively.

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