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über das Thema

***Quantum spin ice physics in Nd<sub>2</sub>Zr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>***

Quantum spin ice is a type of spin liquid which was predicted to show in pyrochlore compounds with Ising-anisotropic light rare-earth elements. In this talk, I will present our study on a quantum spin ice candidate material Nd<sub>2</sub>Zr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> using thermodynamic and neutron scattering measurements combined with several analytical and numerical calculations. Nd<sup>3+</sup> ion has a novel dipolar-octupolar doublet crystal field ground state in Nd<sub>2</sub>Zr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>. Although a long-range all-in-all-out magnetic order was found below T<sub>N</sub>~0.4K, gaped flat spin ice modes and gapless spin ice correlations were observed below and above T<sub>N</sub>, respectively, which relates the ordering transition to Higgs mechanism. In (110) fields, the system is decoupled into parallel and perpendicular chains with respect to the field, where the perpendicular chains are effectively isolated, regardless an anisotropic Hamiltonian on the three-dimensional lattice, and behave as quantum XYZ spin-1/2 chains. In (111) field, it shows dynamical kagome ice modes and strong hystereses caused by domain inversion. Our findings provide the first evidence for the rich and complex phenomena in pyrochlores with dipolar-octupolar doublets.

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