

論文 / 著書情報
Article / Book Information

題目(和文)	
Title(English)	Quantum Effects on Ground States and Magnetic Excitations in Spin-1/2 Two-Dimensional Frustrated Antiferromagnets
著者(和文)	児島佑樹
Author(English)	Yuki Kojima
出典(和文)	学位:博士(理学), 学位授与機関:東京工業大学, 報告番号:甲第11694号, 授与年月日:2022年3月26日, 学位の種別:課程博士, 審査員:田中 秀数,大熊 哲,佐藤 琢哉,村上 修一,古賀 昌久
Citation(English)	Degree:Doctor (Science), Conferring organization: Tokyo Institute of Technology, Report number:甲第11694号, Conferred date:2022/3/26, Degree Type:Course doctor, Examiner:,,,,
学位種別(和文)	博士論文
Category(English)	Doctoral Thesis
種別(和文)	論文要旨
Type(English)	Summary

論文要旨

THESIS SUMMARY

系・コース： Department of, Graduate major in	物理学 物理学	系 コース	申請学位(専攻分野)： Academic Degree Requested	博士 Doctor of	(理学)
学生氏名： Student's Name	児島 佑樹		指導教員(主)： Academic Supervisor(main)	田中 秀数	
			指導教員(副)： Academic Supervisor(sub)		

要旨 (英文 800 語程度)

Thesis Summary (approx.800 English Words)

Spin-1/2 triangular lattice antiferromagnet (TLAF) is one of the simplest frustrated quantum magnets that show remarkable quantum many-body effects, such as a one-third-magnetization plateau caused by quantum order by disorder. However, on the experimental side, there are only a few reports on the observation of the 1/3-magnetization plateau in TLAFs. Therefore, exploring new TLAFs with a 1/3-magnetization plateau remains an important and challenging task. In this thesis work, I have successfully synthesized polycrystalline samples of a TLAF $\text{Ba}_2\text{La}_2\text{CoTe}_2\text{O}_{12}$ by solid-state reaction methods. I have determined its crystal structure by X-ray and neutron diffraction experiments. I have performed low-temperature magnetic susceptibility, specific heat, neutron diffraction and high-field magnetization measurements to study the low-temperature magnetic properties of $\text{Ba}_2\text{La}_2\text{CoTe}_2\text{O}_{12}$.

The crystal structure of $\text{Ba}_2\text{La}_2\text{CoTe}_2\text{O}_{12}$ is a trigonal with space group $R\bar{3}$. The magnetic ions Co^{2+} with effective spin $S = 1/2$ form regular triangular lattice in the ab plane. The triangular lattice layers are widely separated by non-magnetic ions, leading to very weak interlayer interactions. The CoO_6 octahedra are compressed along the c axis, which produces easy-plane anisotropy. From magnetic susceptibility and specific heat data, it was found that $\text{Ba}_2\text{La}_2\text{CoTe}_2\text{O}_{12}$ undergoes three-dimensional magnetic ordering at $T_N = 3.26$ K. The temperature dependence of magnetic susceptibility exhibits an inflection point at 3.2 K corresponding to the onset of long-range antiferromagnetic order. The specific heat data shows a sharp peak at $T_N = 3.26$ K indicative of the magnetic ordering. In neutron diffraction measurements, magnetic Bragg peaks are observed below T_N . The spin structure in the ordered phase is characterized by a propagation vector $\mathbf{k} = (1/3, 1/3, 1/2)$, which corresponds to a 120° order state. By using classical calculations and linear spin-wave theory, it was found that the interlayer ordering is caused by a quantum order by disorder. As a result, the interlayer interaction of $\text{Ba}_2\text{La}_2\text{CoTe}_2\text{O}_{12}$ was found to be ferromagnetic. The full magnetization process of $\text{Ba}_2\text{La}_2\text{CoTe}_2\text{O}_{12}$ was measured at $T = 1.3$ K using a pulsed high magnetic field. The 1/3-magnetization plateau is clearly observed as expected for a quantum TLAF. The saturation of the Co^{2+} effective spin occurs in a finite field range due to the anisotropy of the g -factor. From the saturation field and saturation magnetization after the correction of the Van Vleck paramagnetism, the g -factors and exchange constant were estimated as $g_\perp = 4.5$, $g_\parallel = 3.5$ and $J/k_B = 22$ K, respectively. From these experiments, it was found that $\text{Ba}_2\text{La}_2\text{CoTe}_2\text{O}_{12}$ is magnetically described as an $S = 1/2$ quasi-two-dimensional TLAF with XY-like anisotropy.

I present the results on magnetic orderings and excitations in $\text{Ba}_2\text{CoTeO}_6$ investigated by neutron scattering experiments. $\text{Ba}_2\text{CoTeO}_6$ is composed of two almost isolated subsystems A and B, which are described as an $S = 1/2$ triangular-lattice Heisenberg-like antiferromagnet and a frustrated honeycomb-lattice Ising-like antiferromagnet, respectively. $\text{Ba}_2\text{CoTeO}_6$ undergoes magnetic phase transitions at $T_{N1} = 12.0$ K and $T_{N2} = 3.0$ K, which can be assigned as the orderings of subsystems B and A, respectively. Using flux method, I grew single crystals of $\text{Ba}_2\text{CoTeO}_6$. I co-aligned approximately 400 pieces of single crystals and conducted neutron scattering experiments. First, I confirmed the stripy ordering of subsystem B below T_{N1} , whereas I observed sharp streaks along $(1/3, 1/3, L)$ and $(2/3, 2/3, L)$ at 0.3 K, which is much lower than T_{N2} . This indicates that the ordering of subsystem A is two-dimensional. I found that the excitation spectra of both subsystems are well separated and independent of each other. The excitation spectrum of subsystem A is composed of two single-magnon branches with roton-like minima at the M point and a clearly structured intense continuum, as similarly observed in $\text{Ba}_3\text{CoSb}_2\text{O}_9$, which is strongly indicative of spinon excitations. I found that the excitation spectrum of subsystem A is almost the same as that of $\text{Ba}_3\text{CoSb}_2\text{O}_9$ when scaled by the exchange constant J , which shows that the excitation spectra of subsystem A and $\text{Ba}_3\text{CoSb}_2\text{O}_9$ are universal in $S = 1/2$ Heisenberg TLAFs. Dispersion curves for subsystem B can be described by linear spin-wave theory on the basis of a honeycomb-lattice J_1 - J_2 - J_3 XXZ model with a small XY component. Exchange parameters of both subsystems were determined from the dispersion curves.

備考：論文要旨は、和文 2000 字と英文 300 語を 1 部ずつ提出するか、もしくは英文 800 語を 1 部提出してください。

Note：Thesis Summary should be submitted in either a copy of 2000 Japanese Characters and 300 Words (English) or 1 copy of 800 Words (English).

注意：論文要旨は、東工大リサーチリポジトリ(T2R2)にてインターネット公表されますので、公表可能な範囲の内容で作成してください。

Attention: Thesis Summary will be published on Tokyo Tech Research Repository Website (T2R2).