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Stability of a Three-Component ${}^6\text{Li}{}^{40}\text{K}$ Fermi Mixture near a ${}^6\text{Li}$ Feshbach Resonance DEVANG NAIK, FREDERIK SPIEGELHALDER, ANDREAS TRENKWALDER, ERIK WILLE, GERHARD HENDL, FLORIAN SCHRECK, RUDOLF GRIMM, Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften — We report on the stability of a three-component Fermi gas consisting of a strongly interacting ${}^6\text{Li}$ two-component degenerate mixture near the 834-G Feshbach resonance in the presence of a weakly interacting ${}^{40}\text{K}$ sample. Despite the presence of three distinguishable particles, we observe stability against three-body recombination both on resonance and on the BCS side of the resonance. On the molecular side, however, we observe increasing losses due to atom-dimer collisions. We have measured the corresponding rate coefficients, along with Li-K thermalization rates, for different magnetic fields around the resonance. The observed stability and thermalization opens up the possibility of using ${}^{40}\text{K}$ as a probe to study ${}^6\text{Li}$ BEC-BCS crossover dynamics.

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