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Excitations from a Bose-Einstein condensate of magnons in coupled spin ladders.¹ ANDREY ZHELUDEV, OVIDUE GARLEA, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, TAKATSUGU MASUDA, Yokohama City University, Japan, HIROTAKA MANAKA, Kagoshima University, Japan, LOUIS-PIERRE REG-NAULT, CEA Grenoble, France, JAE-HO CHUNG, YIMING QIU, NIST, Gaithersburg, MD, USA, KLAUS HABICHT, KLAUS KIEFER, Hahn Meitner Institut, Berlin, Germany — The weakly coupled quasi-one-dimensional spin ladder compound $(CH_3)_2CHNH_3CuCl_3$ is studied by neutron scattering in magnetic fields exceeding the critical field of Bose-Einstein condensation of magnons. Commensurate long-range order and the associated Goldstone mode are detected and found to be similar to those in a reference 3D quantum magnet. However, for the upper two massive magnon branches the observed behavior is totally different, culminating in a drastic collapse of excitation bandwidth beyond the transition point.

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