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Elastic and inelastic neutron scattering studies on $\text{Sr}_2\text{FeSi}_2\text{O}_7$
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CHEONG, Rutgers University — Evolution of static and dynamic spin correlations
in a new multiferroics material $\text{Sr}_2\text{FeSi}_2\text{O}_7$ under an external magnetic field was
investigated by elastic and inelastic neutron scattering techniques. An external
magnetic field up to $B = 14$ Tesla induces four different magnetic and ferroelectric
phases in $\text{Sr}_2\text{FeSi}_2\text{O}_7$. The static magneto-electric coupling can be understood as the
p-d hybridization proposed for a related material $\text{Ba}_2\text{CoGe}_2\text{O}_7$. By analyzing the
neutron scattering data obtained from a single crystal of $\text{Sr}_2\text{FeSi}_2\text{O}_7$ under magnetic
field, we have determined the spin structure and the effective spin Hamiltonian in
this material. The spin structure and spin wave excitations show interesting changes
as upon ramping up the system enters the field-induced phases for $B > 6.5$ Tesla,
which will also be discussed.

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