

Quasi-2D *d*-spin ordering in a 3D Fe perovskite studied by Resonant Soft X-ray Scattering

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Fe perovskite $\text{La}_{1/3}\text{Sr}_{2/3}\text{FeO}_3$ shows charge disproportionation, where average $3\text{Fe}^{11/3+}$ ions are separated into Fe^{3+} and Fe^{5+} with the ratio of 2 by 1 [1]. Neutron scattering revealed that charge ordering appears along [111] direction with the 3-fold period and spin density wave orders along the same direction with the 6-fold period [2]. We investigated charge and magnetic transitions in charge disproportionation of perovskite $\text{La}_{1/3}\text{Sr}_{2/3}\text{FeO}_3$ thin film by hard X-ray scattering and resonant soft X-ray scattering at Fe L_3 edge. Temperature-dependent measurements reveal that $\text{La}_{1/3}\text{Sr}_{2/3}\text{FeO}_3$ exhibits anomalous two-domain transitions of spin-charge ordering of Fe 3*d* spins (and O 2*p* holes) in the 3D Fe perovskite. Upon cooling, the formation of the ferromagnetic and charge-disproportionated $\text{Fe}^{3+}\text{-O-Fe}^{5+}\text{-O-Fe}^{3+}$ trilayers precedes the development of 3D magnetic order.

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