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„Phase transitions in the magnetic materials MOCl (M = Ti, V, Cr, Fe)“

Isostructural compounds MOCl ($M = \text{Ti, V, Cr, Fe}$) are magnetic compounds with different numbers of unpaired $3d$ electrons on the trivalent metal atoms: $3d^1$ for Ti^{3+} ($S = 1/2$), $3d^2$ for V^{3+} ($S = 1$), $3d^3$ for Cr^{3+} ($S = 3/2$) and $3d^4$ for Fe^{3+} ($S = 5/2$). Orbital order and frustrated magnetic interactions are responsible for a diverse low-temperature behavior of these compounds. They include the formation of a spin-Peierls state in TiOCl , simple antiferromagnetic order in VOCl and commensurate and incommensurate magnetic order in CrOCl and FeOCl . All magnetic phase transitions are accompanied by lattice distortions. I will discuss the magneto-elastic phase diagrams of MOCl and present in detail the effects of non-magnetic doping on the behavior of TiOCl .

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Kolloquium