

Vibrational and AF-instabilities and metal-insulator transition in $\text{Tm}_{1-x}\text{Yb}_x\text{B}_{12}$

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Low temperature charge transport (resistivity, Hall and Seebeck coefficients) and thermodynamic properties (magnetization and heat capacity) have been studied in substitutional solid solutions $\text{Tm}_{1-x}\text{Yb}_x\text{B}_{12}$. It was shown that the depression of antiferromagnetic (AF) state is accompanied with a development of metal-insulator transition (MIT) in the range of Yb content x above the quantum critical point $x_c \sim 0.3$.¹ Moreover, when the MIT occurs, simultaneously with the gap opening ($E_g \sim 200\text{K}$) a short radius ($\sim 5\text{-}9\text{\AA}$) manybody states' formation is observed at intermediate temperatures 50-300 K with effective masses of the heavy fermions $m^* \sim 20m_0$.² The coherent regime of charge carriers' transport is consistent with a conduction via the intra-gap states (manybody resonance) with the bound energy $E_a \sim 55\text{-}75\text{ K}$. An analysis of thermodynamic properties and Raman spectra transformation in RB_{12} allows to conclude in favor of the development of vibrational instability and cage-glass state formation at $T^* \sim 60\text{ K}$.³

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