

Supplementary Table 1. Neutron diffracted intensities I_0 and I_m summed over the field windows [0;34T] and [35;39T], respectively, at the wavevector $\mathbf{k}_1$ and its main harmonics, and comparison of the field-induced variation of the harmonics intensities with that of $\mathbf{k}_1$. For each momentum transfer $\mathbf{Q}$ are given the magnetic wavevectors $n\mathbf{k}_1$, where $1 \leq n \leq 10$ is an integer, of the contributing harmonics and the corresponding structural Bragg peak $\boldsymbol{\tau}$, verifying $\mathbf{Q} = \boldsymbol{\tau} + n\mathbf{k}_1$ or $\mathbf{Q} = \boldsymbol{\tau} - n\mathbf{k}_1$.

Momentum transfer $\mathbf{Q}$	Magnetic wavevector $n\mathbf{k}_1$	Structural Bragg position $\boldsymbol{\tau}$	Number of shots	$I_0[0;34T]$ (counts/s)	$I_m[35;39T]$ (counts/s)	$\frac{I_m(\mathbf{Q}) - I_0(\mathbf{Q})}{I_m(\mathbf{Q}_1) - I_0(\mathbf{Q}_1)}$
(0.2 0 0)	$3\mathbf{k}_1 = (1.8 \ 0 \ 0)$ $7\mathbf{k}_1 = (4.2 \ 0 \ 0)$	(2 0 0) (-4 0 0)	50	278 ± 6	259 ± 18	$(-1.4 \pm 1.4) \%$
(0.4 0 0)	$4\mathbf{k}_1 = (2.4 \ 0 \ 0)$ $6\mathbf{k}_1 = (3.6 \ 0 \ 0)$	(-2 0 0) (4 0 0)	20	292 ± 10	268 ± 29	$(-1.8 \pm 2.2) \%$
$\mathbf{Q}_1 = (0.6 \ 0 \ 0)$	$\mathbf{k}_1 = (0.6 \ 0 \ 0)$ $9\mathbf{k}_1 = (5.4 \ 0 \ 0)$	(0 0 0) (6 0 0)	54	256 ± 6	1627 ± 42	1
(0.8 0 0)	$2\mathbf{k}_1 = (1.2 \ 0 \ 0)$ $8\mathbf{k}_1 = (4.8 \ 0 \ 0)$	(2 0 0) (-4 0 0)	20	272 ± 9	212 ± 25	$(-4.4 \pm 2.0) \%$
(1 0 0)	$5\mathbf{k}_1 = (3 \ 0 \ 0)$	(-2 0 0)	41	705 ± 11	604 ± 30	$(-7.4 \pm 2.4) \%$
(1 0 -1)	$0\mathbf{k}_1 = (0 \ 0 \ 0)$ $10\mathbf{k}_1 = (6 \ 0 \ 0)$	(1 0 -1) (-5 0 -1)	58	19138 ± 46	19236 ± 156	$(7.2 \pm 11.9) \%$

Supplementary Note 1

Amplitude of the ordered magnetic moment

Assuming magnetic moments aligned along the easy magnetic axis $\mathbf{c}$, the amplitude of the magnetic moment associated with a wavevector $\mathbf{k}_M$ is given by:

$$M(\mathbf{k}_M) = \frac{1}{f_M p |(\sin \alpha)|} \left| \sum_j b_j e^{i\mathbf{Q}_N \cdot \mathbf{r}_j} \right| \sqrt{\frac{I_M / L_M}{I_N / L_N}}, \quad (1)$$

where $\mathbf{Q}_N$ is the momentum transfer at a nuclear Bragg position, I_M and I_N are the measured intensities (integrated over the sample precession angle ω) at $\mathbf{Q}_M$ (corresponding to the magnetic wavevector $\mathbf{k}_M$) and $\mathbf{Q}_N$, respectively, L_M and L_N are the Lorentz factors at $\mathbf{Q}_M$ and $\mathbf{Q}_N$, respectively, f_M is the magnetic form factor at $\mathbf{Q}_M$, $p = 0.2696 \cdot 10^{-12}$ cm, α is the angle between the moment and $\mathbf{Q}$, and b_j and $\mathbf{r}_j$ are the neutron scattering length and position of the ions j , with $b_U = 0.842 \cdot 10^{-12}$ cm, $b_{Ru} = 0.721 \cdot 10^{-12}$ cm, and $b_{Si} = 0.4149 \cdot 10^{-12}$ cm [1].

Here, we use Supplementary Equation (1), assuming a magnetic form factor corresponding to localized or nearly-localized f -electrons (estimated from a low-field study of the magnetic form factor [2]). From the intensity measured (and integrated over ω scans) at the magnetic Bragg peak at $\mathbf{Q} = (0.6 \ 0 \ 0)$ and at the nuclear Bragg peak at $\mathbf{Q}_N = (1 \ 0 \ -1)$, we extract the moment amplitude $M(\mathbf{k}_1) = 0.24 \pm 0.02 \ \mu_B/\text{U}$. From the field-induced magnetic Bragg peak at $\mathbf{Q} = (1.6 \ 0 \ -1)$, which is equivalent to that measured at $\mathbf{Q} = (0.6 \ 0 \ 0)$ but whose intensity is roughly four-times smaller (cf. Figure 1), we extract a similar value $M(\mathbf{k}_1) = 0.27 \pm 0.03 \ \mu_B/\text{U}$. We also estimate that, for $35 < \mu_0 H < 39$ T, an increase of $\simeq 2000 - 8000$ counts/s would be expected at $\mathbf{Q} = (1 \ 0 \ -1)$ if the magnetization of $0.5 - 1 \ \mu_B/\text{U}$ was related to a magnetic Bragg peak at $\mathbf{k}_{ZC} = (0 \ 0 \ 0)$.

Supplementary Note 2

Spin density wave vs. squared modulation

Assuming a multi- $\mathbf{k}$ structure (made either of harmonics of the main wavevector or of equivalent wavevectors), the moment on the U site of position $\mathbf{r}$ is given by the superposition of the sine-modulated moments associated with each component $\mathbf{k}_i$:

$$M_U(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^N M_U(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{r}), \quad (2)$$

where N is the number of considered wavevectors,

$$M_U(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{r}) = M(\mathbf{k}_i) \cos(2\pi \mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r} + \varphi_i) \text{ if } \mathbf{k}_i \text{ is at the Brillouin zone center,}$$

$$M_U(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{r}) = 2M(\mathbf{k}_i) \cos(2\pi \mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r} + \varphi_i) / N \text{ if } \mathbf{k}_i \text{ is at a Brillouin zone border shared by } N \text{ zones,}$$

$$\text{and } M_U(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{r}) = 2M(\mathbf{k}_i) \cos(2\pi \mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r} + \varphi_i) \text{ for all other } \mathbf{k}_i.$$

Supplementary Table 1 presents, for several momentum transfers $\mathbf{Q}$ corresponding to the harmonics $n\mathbf{k}_1$, the neutron intensities I_0 integrated in the field window [0;34T] in the hidden-order phase and I_m integrated in the field window [35;39T] in the field-induced ordered phase, resulting from summations over 20 to 58 pulsed fields shots. The ratios between $[I_m(\mathbf{Q}) - I_0(\mathbf{Q})]$ and $[I_m(\mathbf{Q}_1) - I_0(\mathbf{Q}_1)]$, which are the field-induced variations of intensity at $\mathbf{Q}$ and $\mathbf{Q}_1$, respectively, indicate that no magnetic Bragg peak develops at the harmonics in high magnetic field, within an error of 5-10 % of the magnetic intensity at $\mathbf{k}_1$ (5 % error or less for $\mathbf{Q} = (0.2\ 0\ 0)$, $(0.4\ 0\ 0)$, $(0.8\ 0\ 0)$, and $(1\ 0\ 0)$, and 12 % error for $\mathbf{Q} = (1\ 0\ -1)$). The non-observation of harmonics within these experimental errors permits to rule out the picture of a squared magnetic structure of URu₂Si₂ between 35 and 39 T and, thus, to support the picture of a spin-density wave with the wavevector $\mathbf{k}_1 = (0.6\ 0\ 0)$.

Supplementary references

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