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Non-classical response of solid helium confined in porous media

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Superflow in solid helium

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Outline

Brief history on supersolid experiments

% ³He effects

New experiments at KAIST

The first observation of superflow in solid helium & ³He effects at Penn State





Part 1

BRIEF HISTORY OF SUPERSOLID EXPERIMENTS

Observation of Non-Classical Rotational Inertia E. Kim and M. Chan

Superfluidity & Bose Einstein Condensation



Superfluid ⁴He Kapitza (1978)



Superfluid ³He Lee, Osheroff, Richardson (1996) Theory

Leggett (2003)



BEC in a bose gas = Super-gas Cornell, Ketterle, Wieman (2001)

Super-Solid= Solid with Superfluidity?

Supersolid ?

 $T < T_{O}$

 $\lambda_{dB} \propto \sqrt{\frac{1}{T}} << a$

Overlap of wavefunctions ~ Exchange amplitude ~ nearly zero in classical solid

Finite exchange amplitude
→ Coherent exchange at very low temperature

Superfluidity in solid is not impossible!

If solid ⁴He can be described by a Jastraw-type wavefunction that is commonly used to describe liquid helium then crystalline order (with finite fraction of vacancies) and BEC can coexist.

G.V. Chester, Lectures in Theoretical Physics Vol XI-B(1969); Phys. Rev. A 2, 25 6 (1970)

J. Sarfatt, Phys. Lett. 30A, 300 (1969) L. Reatto, Phys. Rev. 183, 334 (1969)

Andreev and Liftshitz assume the specific scenario of zero-po int vacancies and other defects (e.g. interstitial atoms) undergoing BEC and exhibit superfluidity.

Andreev & Liftshitz, Zh. Eksp. Teor. Fiz. 56, 205 (1969).

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No experimental evidence of superflow in solid helium prior to 2004.

 Plastic flow measurement Andreev et al. Sov. Phys. JETP Lett 9,306(1969) Suzuki J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 35, 1472(1973) Tsymbalenko Sov. Phys. JETP Lett. 23, 653(1976) Dyumin et al. J. Low Temp. Phys. 15,295(1989)

Torsional oscillator
 Bishop et al. Phys. Rev. B 24, 2844(1981)

Mass flow Greywall Phys. Rev. B **16**, 1291(1977)

 \bullet P_v(T) measurement

Adams et al. Bull. Am. Phys. Soc. **35**,1080(1990) Haar et al. J. low Temp. Phys. **86**,349(1992)

Ultra sound Measurements Goodkind Phys. Rev. Lett. **89**,095301(2002) and references therein

Ultrasound velocity and dissipation measurements in solid ⁴He with 27.5ppm of ³He



The results are interpreted by the authors as showing BEC of thermally activated vacancies above 200mK.

P.C. Ho, I.P. Bindloss and J. M. Goodkind, *J. Low Temp. Phys.* **109**, 409 (1997)

However, such a clear 'anomaly' was not seen in other ultrasound experiments of Goodkind.

Ideal detection of supersolid Non-classical rotational inertia (NCRI) A. J. Leggett, PRL 25, 1543 (1970)

Quantum exchange of particles arranged in an annulus under rotation leads to a measured moment of inertia that is smaller than the classical value

 $I(T) = I_{classical} [1 - f_s(T)]$ $f_s(T)$ is the supersolid fraction. Its upper limit is estimated by different theorists to range from 10⁻⁶ to 0.4; Leggett: 10⁻⁴

Ideal torsional oscillator

Torsion cell containing helium





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$$\tau_o = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{K}}$$

I : rotational inertia of torsion cellK: torsion constant of the torsion Rod

Change of rotational inertia, *I*, can be detected by increase (or decrease) of the resonant oscillation period, τ_0 . \rightarrow Detection of NCRI

Torsional Oscillator for solid helium confined in Vycor gla Torsion cell with Vycor glass Al shell 5cm Vycor disk Detect Drive

Solidification of helium in Vycor

Vycor glass



Characteristic Pore diameter=7nm

Porosity = 30%



Blocked Capillary methods: Solidification of helium



Solid ⁴He at 62 bars in Vycor glass





✤Pressure= 62bar ✤Total mass loading = 4260ns Measured decoupling, $-\Delta \tau_0 = 17$ ns



 Its viscosity should be smaller than 1.5×10⁻¹¹ Pa·s, which is 10⁵ times smaller than that of normal liquid helium. Viscosity penetration depth <<7nm

Strong velocity dependence



• For liquid film adsorbed on Vycor glass

 $v_c > 20 cm/s$

M.H.W. Chan et.al., PRL 32, 1347 (1974).

• For superflow in solid ⁴He $v_c < 30 \ \mu m/s$









Superflow in bulk solid helium



<u>E. Kim</u> and M. H. W. Chan, *Science* 305, 1941 (2004)

✓ Resonant frequency= 912 Hz
 ✓ Sample pressure 51bar
 ✓ Total mass loading = 3012ns
 ✓ Mass decoupling, -∆τ₀=41ns
 ✓ NCRIF = 1.4%



Solid ⁴He at various pressures show similar temperature dependence, but the measured supersolid fraction shows scatter with no obvious pressure dependence





Pressure dependence of NCR



Blue data points were obtained by seeding the solid helium samples from the bottom of the annulus.

What are the causes of the scatter in NCRIF?

Scatter in NCRIF is larger In bulk than in Vycor!



Control experiment: blocked annulus

With a barrier in the

annulus, there is no simple superflow and the measured superfluid decoupling should be vastly reduced

Mg barrier Mg Disk

Solid helium

Al shell

Torsion cell with helium in annulus



Irrotational Flow

Superfluids exhibit potential (irrotational) flow
 For our exact dimensions, NCRIF in the blocked cell should be about 1% that of the annulus*





NCRI has been reproduced by

Reppy group
 Disorder & Supersolidity: annealing and confinement effect

Shirahama group
 NCRI in nano pores & 2D supersolid on Grafoil

% Kubota group

- Solid helium under rotation: New vortex state ?

Kojima group

- Frequency dependence & hysteresis

Kim Group at KAIST

Recent experiments other than TO

DC flow

- NO pressure driven flow by Beamish group
- $\Delta\mu$ driven flow at LS coexistence through liquid channel by Balibar group
- Umass Sandwich by Hallock gorup
 High P Liquid in Vycor Solid High P Liquid in Vycor
- Pressure measurements
 - No anomaly on L-S boundary at low temperature: P~ T⁴

- Extra T² dependent term detected away from melting boundary

Neutron scattering and X-ray diffraction

- The resolution is marginal to see the effect

Shear modulus measurement

- Frequency, ³He impurity, temperature dependence, & hysteresis qualitatively similar to NCRI




Summary 1.

NCRI observed in solid helium below ~ 0.2K Temperature dependence reproducible, but NCRIF varies by 3 orders of magnitude.

Strong velocity dependence observed

The addition of 3He impurities enhances the onset.

Part 2

³HE EFFECTS

Dislocations and NCRI Kim, Xia, West, Xi, Clark, and Chan

³He Impurity effect (in Vycor)

E. Kim & M.H.W. Chan Nature 427, 225 (2004)



Two torsional oscillators for ³He dependence studies

	Open Cylinder TO1	Open cylinder TO2
Confining dimension	0.7cm	1 cm
A/V (cm ² /cc)	5.9	7.2
Resonant Frequency	783Hz	1298Hz
Covered X ₃ concentration	47ppb - 30ppm	1ppb-100ppb

Isotopically-pure* ⁴He (*X₃<1ppb)

This work is done in the B/T facility of the high magnetic field lab. Dr. Xia (University of Florida)



Total mass loading due to solid helium τ_{He} - τ_{empty} =3939ns

Shift in the period $\Delta \tau = 1$ ns

Supersolid fraction ~1ns/3939ns ~0.025%

Torsional oscillator f_0 = 1298Hz, Q~1x10⁶ Effects of ³He impurities In bulk solid samples in cylindrical torsion cells

Kim et. al, PRL 100,065301 (2008)



Effects of ³He impurities

Addition of ³He

1) enhances the onset of NCRI

2) broadens transition (longer high temperature tale)



NCRI marches up to higher temperature with increasing ³He concentration.

Effect of ³He impurities in bulk samples



Onset T vs. ³He impurities

Kim et. al, PRL 100,065301 (2008)



Observations

Strong ³He impurity dependence Only 1ppb of ³He impurity introduces very dramatic change in the onset.

Addition of ³He enhances the onset temperature and broadens the transition

The characteristic behavior is very similar to the observed <u>³He impurity pinning (by</u> condensation) of the dislocation line.

Dislocation line is common defect in crystals
Created by thermal and mechanical stresses

Two of the common types: edge & screw



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Dislocation density, Λ , : Total length of dislocation lines per unit volume. (cm⁻²)

Dislocation lines form complicated networks and intersect at nodes which are localized.

The density of dislocations in crystals determined by an analysis based on the vibrating string model of dislocation.

 $\frac{\Delta v_d}{v_0} = R \int \frac{\Delta v(l)}{v_0} lN(l) dl$ $\alpha = R \int \alpha(l) lN(l) dl$

*Information on Λ comes mostly from ultrasound attenuation measurements between 5 to 50 MHz.

$\Delta v(l)$		$\frac{4v_0^2}{\omega(l)^2} - \frac{\omega(l)^2}{\omega(l)^2} - \omega($	$-\Omega^2$
v_0		$\pi^3 \ [\omega(l)^2 - \Omega^2]^2$	$+(B\Omega/A)^2$
$\alpha(1) =$	$4v_0$	$\Omega^{2}B/A$	
$\alpha(\iota) = -\frac{1}{\pi^3}$	$\overline{[\omega(l)^2 - \Omega^2]^2 + (E)^2}$	$\overline{(\Omega/A)^2}$	

- Dislocation density in poor crystals ~ 10⁹ per cm²
- (constant volume¹)
- Dislocation density in good crystals ~ 10⁵ 10⁷ per cm²
- (constant pressure² or temperature³ above ~ 0.5K)
- Dislocation density in best crystals ~ 0 to 100
- (constant temperature⁴ growth below ~ 0.2K)
- 1. S.H. Castles & E.D. Adams, JLTP 19, 397 (1975).
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- 3. V.L. Tsymbalenko, Low Temp. Phys. 21, 129 (1995).
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Granato-Lücke theory

 \blacklozenge Dislocations intersect on a characteristic length scale of $L_N \sim 1 \makebox{-}5 \mu m$

◆³He atoms also can be detached Break-away of ³He impurities → Reduces shear modulus

Dislocation pinning

 Dislocation density, Λ = 5 ~ 10¹⁰ cm⁻² Solid helium grown by a constant volume method; Λ=10⁵ to 10⁹ cm⁻²

Dislocations intersect on a characteristic length scale of L_N (if Λ~10⁵ to10⁹ cm⁻²)
 0.1<ΛL_N²<0.3 → L_N~ 0.1 to 10µm

 Dislocations can also be pinned by ³He impurities L_{TP}~ Distance between ³He atoms

³He and dislocation

• Actual ³He concentration on dislocation line is thermally activated

$$x_3 = x_0 \exp\left[\frac{W_0}{T}\right]$$

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• Pinning length due to ³He impurity

$$L_{IP} = (4\mu)^{1/3} b^2 W_0^{-1/3} x_0^{-2/3} \exp\left[-\frac{2W_0}{3T}\right]$$

³He-dislocations interaction

Line was drawn by considering $W_0=0.42K$ and average L_{IP} pinning length~ 1.9µm.

Smaller lengths are expected for larger dislocation densities

 L_{IP} ³He pinning length μ , shear modulus, *b*, Burger's vector

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 \rightarrow cross-over from network pinning to ³He pinning

 T_{50} ~ T_P : Below this temperature dislocation network is pinned by impurity

Kim et al, Phys. Rev. Lett 100, 065301 (2008)

Stiffening of solid helium responsible for NCRI ?

Why no difference in Vycor?

Much smaller pinning length is expected in Vycor glass (most of all dislocations are pinned)

Vycor TEM picture

Porous media: no substantial shear stress applied due to tortuous structure and small pore.

Vycor glass 7nm pores at 20 μ m/s: $\sigma \sim 10^{-6}$ dyne/cm²=10^{-7} Pa

100,000 times smaller stress causes similar strain of dislocation?

With strong confinements?

Question: Stiffening of solid helium responsible for NCRI ?

Elastic stiffening of solid helium at low temperature make the mechanical response faster. Accordingly increase the resonant frequency of TO

Nussinov et al PRB 76, 014530(2007)

Stiffening of solid helium responsible for NCRI ?

Clark et al PRB 77 184513(2008)

Stiffening of solid helium increase the resonant frequency of TO. However, observed 5-20% shear modulus increase is too small to explain the NCRI

Blocked annulus results cannot be explained by shear modulus change

Summary

Tramatic effect of ³He impurities on supersolid ⁴He.

The addition of ³He impurity broadens transition and enhances the onset temperature.

NCRI is not solely due to ³He impurities
 The effect is probably related with dislocation pinning by ³He.

After dislocation motion pinned by ³He impurities supersolid phase appears.

He3 impurities pin down dislocation lines and help to appearance of NCRI

New experiments at KAIST

2D SUPERSOLID & DYNAMIC RESPONSE STUDY

Search for the supersolidity in 2D

Motivation

The nonsuperfluid inter layer

 $\rho_{S}\left(T=0\right) = n_{4} - n_{0}$

n₄ : Total ⁴He coverage n₀ : Inert layer coverage

From the Lennard-Jones potential

$$V(z) = \frac{4C_3^3}{27D^2} \frac{1}{z^9} - \frac{C_3}{z^3}$$

We can calculate the attractive force between the atoms of the substrate and the atoms in the film.

Atomic layer	Pressure by van der Waals force
1st layer	306.0 atm
2nd layer	19.1 atm
3rd layer	11.3 atm
4th layer	4.8 atm

Helium films

Helium films below the coverage for onset of superfluid can be a supersolid system. J. Sarfatt, *Phys. Lett. A* 30, 300(1969)

Helium films

Reentrant superfluid phase in the second layer of ⁴He adsorbed on grafoil.

They discussed "possible 2D supersolid"





Helium films

Reentrant superfluid phase in the second layer of ⁴He adsorbed on graphite.

M. Hieda and Moses made very interesting observation on 2D amorphous solid helium, so called inert layer. Resonant frequency of QCM increased at very low temperature.

NO clear velocity dependence

Search for the supersolidity in 2D

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*Porous Vycor glass*Mass loading : 458 ns/layer



22.1 μmol/m²(1.8Layer) 24.6 μmol/m² (2.0Layer) 25.2 μmol/m² (2.1Layer) 26.2 μmol/m² (2.2Layer) 0 0 0 0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25 0.30 T [K]

Period change in the inert layer

Superfluid transition of He films



Amorphous solid helium film on Vycor





Typical equilibration time of TO due to very high mechanical Q-factor at low temperature: ~ 1000sec Below 0.1K we observed unusually extended equilibration time. Not fitted well with exponential decay function only.

After few thousands sec. logarithmic time dependence is dominant.

Thermal history dependence was carefully revisited. Clark et al PRB 77, 184513(2008)



Long dissipation(amplitude) relaxation in bulk solid helium

Long time constant observed upon the change of TO drive amplitude in bulk TO cell. Aoki et al PRL 100, 215303 (2008)



$$v_r = v_0 + A \exp(-t / \tau) + B \ln[t + t_0]$$

The exponential dependence: The mobility of dislocation (and pinning by 3He impurities) and vortex liquid interpretation are discussed in their paper. They argue that long dissipation relaxation is likely due to vortex liquid in solid helium.

Solid ⁴He confined in porous gold

The motion of the shear modulus change in porous media is reduced by small confinements.

Porous Gold

- Pore size ~180nm
- Porosity ~71%
- Surface area 0.66m²





Solid ⁴He confined in porous gold

* Tostional oscillator
* Resonant frequency ~ 948 Hz
* Q ~ 3 x 10⁵
* No bulk space







Solid ⁴He confined in porous gold

- Solid Helium was prepared by the BC (blocked capillary) method
- Starting Pressure : 60 bar
 Measured Sample pressure
 : 53 bar
- Samples grown by quench cooling 3K -> 1K for 15 min.
- ³He : 0.3 ppm



Response to drive change



Long relaxation of NCRI when drive increases.

NCRI change looks hysteretic according to the drive change.

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Thank you for your attention!