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Back ground

Kubota group at ISSP

We have been asking ourselves: What is superfluid?





We are studying 3D connected ⁴He monolayer superfluid systems, as well as superfluid ³He in restricted geometry, especially under rotation using two rotating cryostats.





Superfluids under Rotation (SuR) series of workshops: 2003(Chuzenji-lake), 2004(Trento), Manchester(2005), Jerusalem(2007), Helsinki(expected 2009)



Superfluidity and Quantized vortices

What characterizes Superfluidity or Supersolidity? Which is most essential?

1. Zero viscosity : flow without Friction in a very narrow channel.

2. Quantization of flow : "<u>quantized vortices</u>". Under DC rotation we expect quantized vortex lines through the superfluid, but also vortex excitations might be essential for the new superfluids, including new class of superconductors.





One vortex enters the center part, strength of the vortex strengthens by turning fast. Though strength of the vortex doesn't change even if it turns fast, the number of vortices of same strength increases. (<u>quantization of vortex</u>) Macro 3D Vortices are known to have very high energy:

 $E_v/k_B \sim 10^8$ K in cm³ volume or so. So It is impossible to induce vortex lines without DC rotation or flow velocity exceeding some V_c.



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 E_v is also proportional to its length L, so in a system of low D E_v gets smaller. For example, for a film of 10⁻⁸ cm thickness, $E_v \sim 1K$. It becomes possible to excite vortices by thermal energy. Yet no BEC is expected in 2,1,0 D systems. However, some low D superfluidity is possible. Examples:

2D: Kosterlitz-Thouless transition occurs at $T_{KT} \sim n_2$. 2D quantized vortices are present at $T > T_{KT}$ and paired at $T < T_{KT}$, keeping macroscopic phase coherence: superflow is possible with $V_c \sim 0$, unless some pinning mechamism.

1D: ?? Lattinger Liquid ?

0D: ???

What causes superfluid transition, other than BEC?

There has been a discussion that **it is ordering in phase space!** Not in the amplitude of the **Condensate!** So, superfluid transition is caused by thermal excitations as vortex rings(3D) or vortices(2D) to destroy macroscopic phase coherence. G. Williams (1987): "Vortex ring model of the superfluid transition". *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 59,1926-1929 (1987).

Anyways, in 3D systems BEC is one of the fundamental conditions to expect superfluidity.

What about inter-relation between BEC (which is purely Quantum statistical property) and interactions, which causes phase changes from gas to liquid and then to solid?

There has been a long history!

In 1938 Fritz London discussed BEC as the essence of superfluidity in liquid ⁴He. T_{BEC} =3.1K was calculated for ideal Bose gas with the same density as liquid ⁴He.

Original consideration about **possible BEC in solid** was made by **Penrose and Onsager(1956)**, but with negative result.

There was a mistake!

Supersolid Theories (1960's to 1970)

- 1]. Reatto and Chester, "Phonons and the properties of a Bose system", PR Vol.155, 88-100 (1967): BEC only in 3D
- 2]. Andreev and Lifshitz, "Quantum Theory of defects in Crystals", Soviet Physics, JETP vol.29, 1107-1113 (1969).
- 3]. Chester, "Speculations on Bose-Einstein Condensation and Quantum Crystals", Phys. Rev. A2, 256 258. (1970).
- 4]. A. Leggett, "Can a Solid Be "Superfluid"? ", Phys. Rev. Lett. Vol. 25, 1543 -1546 (1970).

There had been plenty of Experimental Efforts to seek for "Supersolid State" in the World, but with Negative Results (Till 2002)

- 1]. Bishop, Paalanen, and Reppy, "Search for Superfluidity in hcp ⁴He", Phys. Rev.B24, 2844 (1981).
- 2]. H. Suzuki, "Plastic Flow in Solid Helium", J. Phys.Soc. JPN Vol.35, 1472 1479 (1973); I. Iwasa and H. Suzuki, "Sound Velocity and Attenuation in hcp ⁴He Crystals Containing ³He Impurities", J. Phys. Soc. Jpn.. Vol.49, 1722- 1730 (1980).
- 3]. Meisel, "Supersolid ⁴He: an overview of past searches and future possibilities", Physica B 178, 121-128 (1992).
- 4]. J. Goodkind, "Interaction of First and Second Sound in Solid 4He: Properties of a Possible Bose Condensate", Phys. Rev. Lett. Vol. 89, 095301-1-4 (2002).

Rapid Developments of Supersolid Study since 2004

Original discussion (1960's and 1970) of Supersolid:

BEC of vacancies or other imperfections in solid ⁴He $\rho_s/\rho \sim 10^{-6} \sim 10^{-4}$

Experimental Observations after 2004 :

Rather High $T_{onset} = T_o$: 0.2-0.5 K, Too high for known n_v , n_i for BEC!! BEC cannot explain the observed $T_o \sim \alpha T_\lambda$ ($\alpha \sim 0.1 \sim 0.3$) of liq. ⁴He !!

Vortex Fluid State proposal by P.W. Anderson: Nature Phys. Vol.3.Mar'07

VF model can explain the following experimental facts:

1). High T_o, (supposing lower Dimensional sub system, MK)

2). Real 3D Transition is expected at lower $T_c < T_o$.

3). Dimensional crossover of excitations is often expected in known vortex fluids; Cuprate HTS, Organic SC, and Layered SC as well as Fe compounds. 2D subsystems are common in all theseSC's.

Kubota group's activities as to fundamental questions of superfluidity:

KT transition: 2D He films' superfluid transition, involving quantized vortex pairs to keep macroscopic coherence.

We have been studying 3D connected 2D films to ask the question of essence of superfluidity without condensate!?.

T. Obata and M. Kubota, "Calculation of the phase field of a vortex pair on the surface of a multiply connected substrate" Phys. Rev. B **66**, 140506R (2002).

We could observe 3D vortex lines penetration into this system by torsional oscillator technique.

M. Fukuda *et al.,*" Rotation-induced three-dimensional vorticity in ⁴He superfluid films adsorbed on a porous glass", Phys. Rev. B **71**, 212502 (2005).

Study of artificial 3D superfluids: (Previous activity) He "monolayer" films on 3D connected pore surface

Obata and Kubota, PHYSICAL REVIEW B 66, 140506(R) (2002)



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FIG. 2. (Color) A series of the calculation results. This solution is the example when vortex pair decouples along η direction. The color corresponds to the phase from 0 to 2π and it is periodical continuous in the panels (a), (c), and (d). (a) $\eta = \tilde{a}/2$. (b) The flow energy distribution of the configuration (a). (c) $\eta = 2\tilde{a}$. The red broken line indicates the vortex core crossing the pore. (d) The symmetric flow pattern remaining after vortex pair annihilation.





icroscope pictures of the well-defined porous glass samples with pore diameters 2500, 5000 and 1 (c) are all taken with a magnification factor of 3250, whereas photos (A)-(C) are taken), 3250 and 980, respectively, to make the pore sizes look almost the same. From these photos w isses with different pore sizes is quite the same and the ratio 1/d (unit/length)/(pore diam certainly larger than 1 and probably 3-5.

Torsion oscillator with High Sensitivity and high stability



Detailed study of an artificial 3D superfluid, made of monolayer superfluid He film

3D superfluid without condensate?

- T_c is primarily determined by n_2 and modified slightly by L.
- V_c is determined by h/mL, where L is unit length of the pore
- 3D vortex lines were detected by an extra energy dissipation peak at a constant T_R , whose height changes linearly with Ω . Its mechanism has been theoretically analyzed.



M. Fukuda, PhD Thesis 2000; Phys. Rev. B71, 212502 (2005)

V_{ac} Dependent Dissipation at Still condition and DC Rotation Experiments

Excitation dependent Energy dissipation at Still condition: Larger Vac → Larger Dissipation



FIG. 3. (Color online) Energy dissipation curves in the static condition for the nonlinear regime. The ac drive velocity amplitude for each curve corresponds to V_{ac} =0.095(1), 0.19, 0.36, 0.52, 0.66, 0.94(6) cm/sec, respectively.

Energy dissipation under DC rotation with Increasing DC rotation speed: New "Rotational Peak" appears at lower T as Still peak. Linear Dependence of the height on Rotation Velocity



→Vortex line penetration by Rotation
→ 3D Superfluid!!

Energy dissipation goes up when excitation is increased for all known SF



FIG. 5. Dissipation peak for a single film at three different values of cavity velocity (arbitrary units).



Fig. 1, Dissipation peak heights devided by each Tc, 201,414, and 1182 mK, as a function of the substrate AC velocity at the electrode position over 2x10³ range. The broken line is a trial fit in the given unit. DC flow experiments for a He monolayer film in 1 μ m pore porous glass: V_c(3D \rightarrow 2D superflow) ~ cm/s ~ h/mL



Kubota, et al., JLTP Vol.113, (1998)



ISSP High Speed Rotating DR



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Our first Solid ⁴He Study: A. Penzyev et al., JLTP2006

We enjoy finding our work among the earliest experiments on supersolid phenomena observations:



Table 1. Sample List

sample number	cell	f_{res},Hz	initial pres- sure, bar	T_m, \mathbf{K}	final pres- sure, bar	Δf , Hz
1	1st	1499.6	71.7	2.08	40	2.96
2	1st	1499.6	90.5	—	≈ 60	3.43
3	2nd	1534.7	74	2.15	43	3.76

We report first VF state. And then Real 3D Supersolid Transition will be discussed later.

(We report the first evidences of 3D Supersolid phase transition by **this presentation**.)

We start with our vortex fluid state discovery: <u>cf Penzev</u>, Yasuta, Kubota Phys. Rev. Lett. Vol.101, 8th Aug 2008.

We have report first the onset Temperature, T_o observation and vortex fluid (VF) behavior at $T < T_o$.

Vortex fluid state $T_c < T < T_o$ But, without real T_c . We realized that VF state has a unique V_{ac} Dependence.



V_{ac} dependence is completely opposite to known Superfluid Transions: KT, 3Dfilms, Bulk ⁴He !! How one can imagine larger energy dissipation with smaller excitation? Thermal excitation itself is causing VF state fluctuations!! And what we observe is controlling process by AC excitation to polarize the VF tangle.

FIG. 2: (a) and NCRIF(b) as a function of Vac at T < 300mK. The solid lines in (b) show the nearly linear dependence on log(Vac) for two Vac ranges; 40< Vac <400 μ m/sand Vac > 500 μ m/s. The slope for each range has a uniqueT dependence given in Fig. 4. Extrapolated lines are foundto converge at a point for each Vac range. This point of con- vergence also determines the position of the zero in Fig. 1(b).



New measurements on Solid ⁴He at 49 bar

We wanted more stable solid ⁴He sample to study properties in a more systematic way.

Vortex fluid state is expected above a Real 3D superfluid transition temperature, T_c .

Below T_c we expect 3D coherent supersolid state, where we can expect Real phase transition and 3D vortex lines excitation under DC rotation.



Kim & Chan, PRL 97, 115302 (2006)

 $Log(V_{ac})$ linear dependence is more clearly observed for 49 bar solid ⁴He sample: see box (c) right. And by plotting this slope as a function of T, one realizes a very simple relation: $1/T^2$ dependence with "right" pressure dependence.





$LogV_{ac}$ linear dependence is clear

This is indication f involvement of Quantized vortices as discussed by P.W. Anderson[2007].

Yet, it is not clear how it occurs. AC velocity field V_{ac} may forces existing randomly fluctuating vortex rings of local sizes to align. And larger the V_{ac} alinement becomes better and random fluctuation is decreased.

Is this Scenario OK?

Then we do have vortex fluid state indeed. And at further lower T, we would expect freezing of vortex fluid and we shall have real supersolid!!



Unique Temperature Dependence of d(NLRS)/d(logVac) as pointed out by P.W. Anderson Nature Phys. Mar.(2007)

We believe that what People have been calling as NCRIF is actually Non Linear Rotational Susceptibilility (NLRS) as PW Anderson proposed.



Actually there are some more interesting observations.

1/T² Dependence is expected for "polarization" of superfluid turbulence at high temperature limit !! And Langevin Function over all T!!



Although we have no concrete Explanation as to the relation between d(NLRS)/d(logVac) and Polarization, it involves tangled quantized vortices in both cases of Liquid He superfluid turbulence and vortex fluid state in solid He. The latter is believed to lack 3D macroscopic coherence.

Makoto Tsubota, Carlo F. Barenghi, Tsunehiko Araki, and Akira Mitani," **Instability of vortex array and transitions to turbulence in rotating helium II ", Phys. Rev. B69,** 134515 (2004), Fig.15. L* : vortex tangle polarization,

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Hysteretic behavior by changing AC excitation

General observation in the vortex fluid state of solid ⁴He:

1]. Smaller AC excitation produces larger amplitude signal as well as period shift. \leftarrow --> quite opposite to usual excitations. Thermally excited random vortices exists already without external excitation. It lacks macro coherence.

Hysteretic behavior starts below $T_c = -76$ mK in Real Supersolid state (P=~49 bar)

We have made two sets of measurements.

A set (T sweep under "equilibrium" and "non-equilibrium conditions)
1]. Change AC excitation at T > ~500 mK, then cool down to T_{min} and sweep up T → "equilibrium" T sweep measurement.
2]. Set AC excitation at 20 µm/s (0.5mV) then cool down to T_{min} and change AC excitation at T_{min} to measuring excitation V_{ac}, then sweep up. → "non-equilibrium" T sweep measurements.

B set (V_{ac} sweep at constant T's)

1]. Keep the sample temperature constant and Sweep V_{ac} slowly

Detailed Study of V_{ac} Dependence and Appearance of Hysteretic behavior below T_c !?!



B set (V_{ac} sweep at constant T's)







Hysteretic TO Responses T

<~74mK V_{ac} dependence of
Dissipation and Δ NCRIF

- At $V_{ac} > ~40 \ \mu m/s$ Hysteretic behavior appears.
- At $V_{ac} > \sim 300 \ \mu m/s$, both quantities decreases their absolute values.
- $V_{acc} \sim 7-10$ mm/s where $\Delta NCRIF$ is depressed to 0.



A sort of Spontaneously Induced Non-Linear Rotational Susceptibility(NLRS) = NCRI ?!!





A set (T sweep under "equilibrium" and "non-equilibrium conditions)

It looked as if it could be described by almost constant energy gap, but...



What does this result mean?

We may have observed the transition from vortex fluid state into Supersolid State!

But, it is strange. It looks as if it coexists with vortex fluid state!! NCRI components are additive!Whay do we have this V_{ac} dependence?

There have been no theory which can describe experimental observations, so far.

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Energy Dissipation Change of Solid ⁴He under DC Rotation

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Introduction to DC Rotation Experiments An example of 3D connected monolayer He film superfluid

- The figure on the right indicates torsional oscillator energy dissipation for a 3D connected monolayer ⁴He film sample. The experiment was performed sweeping T very slowly under the given DC rotation for each number, 0 to 6.
- Energy dissipation under still condition appears because of dynamics of 2D vortex pairs and their desociation over a temperature range, where "Superfluid desnsity also changes drastically.
- Extra energy dissipation is observed at somewhat lower T than the static peak and the hight of the peak changes linearly with the DC rotation speed, or number of penetrating 3D vortex lines through the sample. It can be an evidence of the system nature of 3D superfluidity



M. Fukuda et al., Phys. Rev. B 71, 212502 (2005)

1->0 rad/sec	2->0.79 rad/sec
3->1.57 rad/sec	4->3.14 rad/sec
5->4.71 rad/sec	6->6.28 rad/sec

Present experiment with solid He

We had been studying solid He samples under DC rotation, but we could not find any significant change until December 2007, when we started to observe a "hysteretic behavior" by changing AC excitation from a small value to larger excitation at the lowest temperature.

It may indicate some transition to Supersolid!!

In order to confirm the 3D superfluidity we checked if 3D vortex lines are excited under rotation. The number of vorticies is expected to be proportional to rotational speed Ω and $\rho_s(T)$. •At V_{ac} =200µm/sec the hysteretic Δ NCRIF has the maximum size.

We measure DC Rotation Effect under this AC excitation velocity first.







Details of Experiments

/SecSolid He sample • • • blocked capillary method, same as other measurements, but seemingly quite reproducible.

P~49bar

 $T_{min} \sim 48 \text{mK}$ DC Rotational Speed 0 to $\Omega \text{max} = 0.2 \text{ rps} = 1.256 \text{ rad/sec}$



torsion rod ••• φ =2.2mm/ φ =0.8 mm, L=15mm

Sample ••• φ =10mm, h=4mm, V=314 mm³

f = 1.00 kHz Q ~1.5×10⁶ (T <1 K)

Experimental Procedure of Measurement under DC Rotation

- 1. At high Temperature ($\thicksim 0.5$ K) Change AC excitation to Vac=200 $\mu m/sec$ (Equilibrium)
- 2. DC Rotation Start ($\Omega=0\rightarrow 0.2$ rps)
- 3. Cooling down
- Measurement under T sweep (T=50mK→150mK / 3h, 9h,..)
- 5. Repeat with different DC Rotation Speeds

Results under DC Rotation

Energy Dissipation below T
 ~80 mK Changes under DC
 Rotation: Faster Rotation
 →Larger Change !!

• No Change in NLRS (nonlinear rotational susceptibility)



How does Energy Dissipation Change as DC Rotational Speed Ω ? Linear Change!!

 \rightarrow Vortex lines!!, Otherwise Ω^2 Dependence Should Occur!



If Dissipation ΔQ^{-1} is Caused by Supersolid Vortices, Then It Should Be Proportional to $\rho_s(T)$!

Transition Temperature(s) $T_c(s)$ to Supersolid State and $\rho_s(T)$?



What do these results mean?

- 1]. The quantity Δ NCRI, appeared as the change in the hysteretic behavior in the Period, really indicates "Supersolid Density, $\rho_s(T)$ " of the solid He!!
- 2]. We have detected energy dissipation, which is proportional to DC rotational velocity Ω , and this linearity changes as a function of T, just in the same manner as the expected Supersolid ensity $\rho_s(T)$.
- 3]. Our observations are consistent with a scenario of Vortex Fluid at $T_c < T < T_o$, and its freezing into real Supersolid below T_c .
- 4]. The meaning of two characteristic temperature, ~57 mK and ~76 mK has to be clarified, probably in connection with sample crystaline orientations.

Vortex Fluid State and its Transition to Supersolid State has been found by the following people



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Summary and Discussion

1]. What do we have now? Vortex Fluid state below T_o and 3D Supersolid below T_c for (49 bar) solid ⁴He. The former is characterized by Non-linear rotational susceptibility: $\chi_R \sim F(1/T^2)$??, and the latter starts below T_c with unique $\rho_s(T)$.

Characteristic Temperatures:

 $T_{o} = -500 \text{mK}, T_{c} = -75 \text{mK}, T_{p} - 85 \text{mK}, (T_{p} - 40 \text{ mK}?),$

Characteristic Velocities:

 $V_c = 1$ cm/s, further study is needed to determine $V_c(T)$.

2]. Dislocation motion

Our dissipation data suggests that TO measurements does not involve activation of vortices in comparison with .

3]. Vortex physics $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ dislocation dynamics

In any case we are discussing 1D topological defects. Some part is thermal and circulation is quantized in the former, but many features may be classical. Langevin function appears for classical dipole systems.

Discussion-continued

4]. Interesting Observations

- A. $\rho_s(T \rightarrow 0K) \sim NLRS(T \rightarrow 0K)$!!??
- B. Vortex fluid to 3D Supersolid a first order transition?We observe NLRS and its hysteretic component coexist over a wide T range.David Huse points out that pinning effect may complicate the situation. But the observation A adds more for the first order transition to us.
- C. Langevin function with $x=1/T^2$ is followed to our lowest T. This suggests really a thermal phenomenon of dipoles (vortex rings) is going on still to ~50 mK.
- D. NCRI(T) has a unique temperature dependence: T linear change ~60 mK < T <~75 mK, then steeper increase towards lower T. T-linear change may indicate involvement of 1D.
- E. Vortex fluid state has been found/discussed in the following systems: UD Cuprate SC's, Organic SC's, Layered SC's, and newly found Fecompounds SC's, and all of them involve 2D subsystems. Solid He may also have 2D subsystem(s): basal plane, which can be there even in small pores of 20 Å or so.
- 5]. Remaining apparent question: What kind of thermal excitations are the **origin of the energy dissipation in TO** experiment?

Thank you for your patience and thanks to organizers

