Phases: from He3 to Nanomechanical Oscillators

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Evidence for a New Phase of Solid He³[†]

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Measurements of the melting pressure of a sample of He^3 containing less than 40-ppm He^4 impurities, self-cooled to below 2 mK in a Pomeranchuk compression cell, indicate the existence of a new phase in solid He^3 below 2.7 mK of a fundamentally different nature than the anticipated antiferromagnetically ordered state. At lower temperatures, evidence of possibly a further transition is observed. We discuss these pressure measurements and supporting temperature measurements.

Nuclear Antiferromagnetic Resonance in Solid ³He

D. D. Osheroff, M. C. Cross, and D. S. Fisher

Bell Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey 07974 (Received 1 February 1980)

Detailed measurements of the low-field antiferromagnetic resonance spectrum of spinordered bcc ³He exhibit large shifts from the Larmor frequency, with a zero-field resonant frequency near zero temperature of $\Omega_0/2\pi \approx 825$ kHz. Analysis of the spectrum leads to stringent constraints on possible sublattice structures. The temperature dependence of Ω_0 shows low-temperature behavior expected from spin-wave theory, and indicates a first-order transition at 1.03 mK.

Antiferromagnetic He3: expectations



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Doug's data



NMR in solid He3: spectrum

Osheroff, MCC, Fisher (1980)



Antiferromagnetic He3: U2D2 Phase



NMR in the high field phase(s)

Osheroff and MCC (1987)



Magnetic Resonance Force Microscopy (MRFM)

Midzor, Wigen, Pelekhov, Chen, Hammel, Roukes, 2000 Urban, Putilin, Wigen, Liou, MCC, Hammel, Roukes, 2007



Tip-sample separation [µm]

Nonlinearity



Amplitude v. frequency offset for different drives

Bill Brinkman: Landau and Lifshitz Mechanics §29

Nanomechanical systems

Roukes group, courtesy Rassul Karabalin



Nonlinearity in nanomechanical systems: Duffing response

Kozinsky, Postma, Kogan, Husain, and Roukes, 2007

Doubly-clamped platinum nanowire $2.25 \mu m \times 35 nm$



Frequency offset scaled to linear resonance width

Superfluidity in the A phase

- Phase is the broken symmetry variable of the quantum mechanical phase
- $\nabla \times \hat{l}$ gives supercurrents
- $\nabla \Delta$ gives supercurrents but reduced by $(T_c/E_F)^2$
- Exotic Ginzburg-Landau theory
- A and B phases: fun with interfaces (and nucleation)
- NMR as Josephson effect coupling phases of different spin components

Phase is the broken symmetry variable corresponding to the Hopf bifurcation to oscillations (time translation symmetry)



Consequences for frequency stability of oscillators...

Nanomechanical resonators and oscillators

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Effective Q enhancement $1200 \Rightarrow 99000$

Evading amplifier noise in oscillators

Greywall, Yurke, Busch, Pargellis, and Willett, 1994

For saturated feedback loop: bias is constant phase

Phase response of driven nonlinear resonator at the Duffing critical amplitude. Φ_0

Frequency fluctuations of oscillator reduced by tuning to nonlinear critical point

Nanomechanical arrays

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Nanomechanical arrays

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Phases in many nanomechanical oscillators

Oscillator displacement (e.g. amplitude of fundamental mode of beam)

$$u_n = \operatorname{Re}\left[\psi_n(t)e^{i\omega_0 t}\right]$$
 with $\psi_n = |\psi_n|e^{i\phi_n}$

In long wavelength limit $\psi(\mathbf{r})$ satisfies the Complex Ginzburg-Landau Equation

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \psi + (K + i\beta)\nabla^2 \psi - (1 + i\omega(\mathbf{r}) + i\alpha)|\psi|^2 \psi$$

with $\omega(\mathbf{r})$ the random component of the frequencies

What are the phases (states) of the oscillator phases?

- disorderd
- frequency locked (finite fraction have same frequency)
- phase locked (nonzero $\langle \psi \rangle_{\text{lattice}}$)

Synchronized phases in mean field theory

MCC, Rogers, Lifshitz, Zumdieck, 2006

K=0; Top-hat frequency distribution, width = 1



Short range model (no randomness)





Phase

Magnitude

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \psi + (K + i\beta)\nabla^2 \psi - (1 + i\alpha)|\psi|^2 \psi$$

