



Absolute value of thermal conductivity is extremely high

$$\Lambda_{\text{He-II}} > 10^6 \Lambda_{\text{He-I}} \quad \text{at} \quad T \sim 1.8 \text{ K}$$

- ▶ best condensed matter heat conductor by far
- ▶ explains why no boiling is observed at  $T \leq T_\lambda$  since no temperature gradient

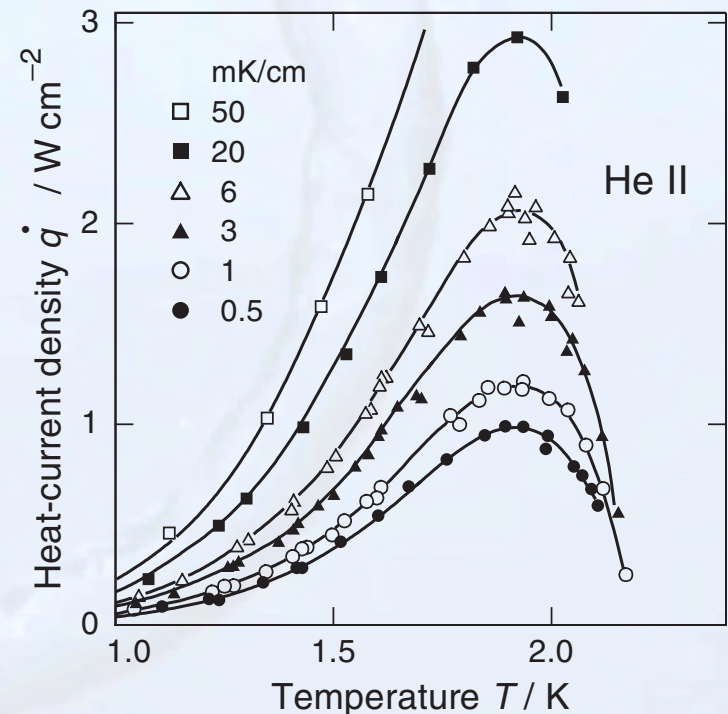
Further unusual properties of the heat transport

heat current density  $\triangleq$  heat flow per area

$$d = 0.3 \dots 1.5 \text{ mm}$$

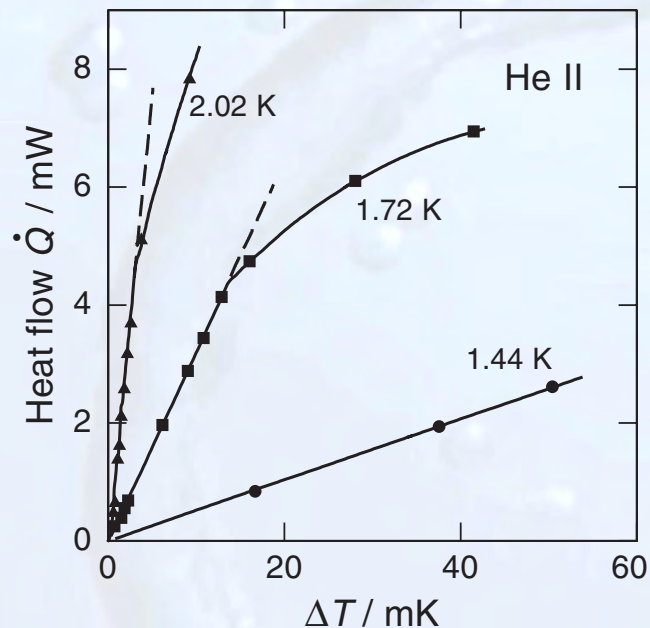
$$L = 2 \dots 40 \text{ cm}$$

- ▶ Maximum at 1.8 K
- ▶  $T < 1.8 \text{ K}$ ,  $\dot{q} \sim |\text{grad } T|^{1/3}$
- ▶ with  $\dot{q} = -\Lambda \text{grad } T$   $\hookrightarrow \Lambda \propto |\text{grad } T|^{-2/3}$

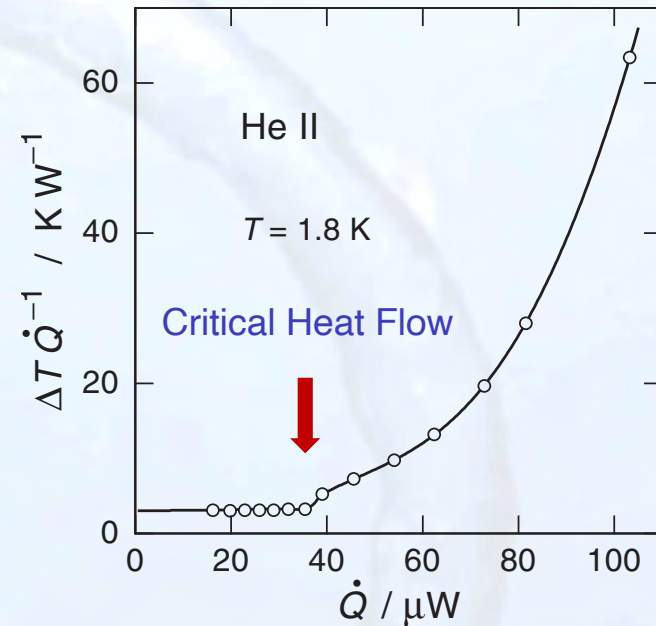




Heat flow in helium II through  
a 2.4  $\mu\text{m}$  wide slit



Thermal resistance  $\Delta T / \dot{Q}$

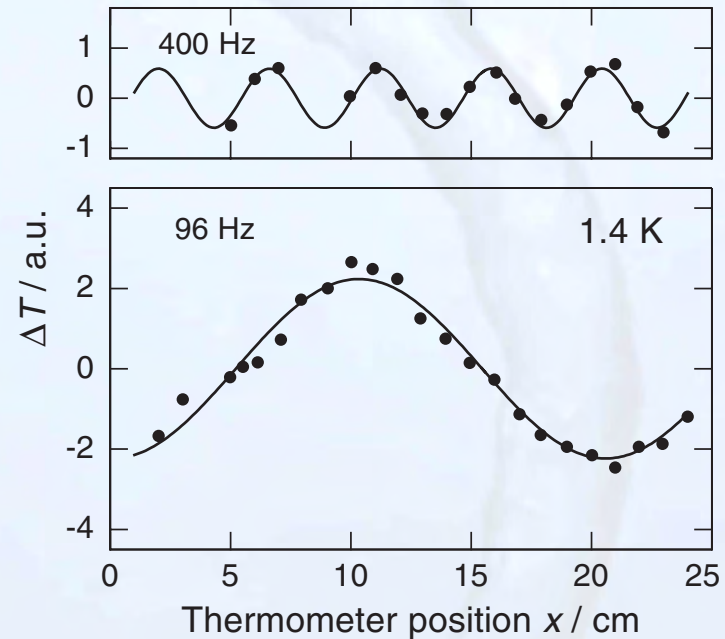
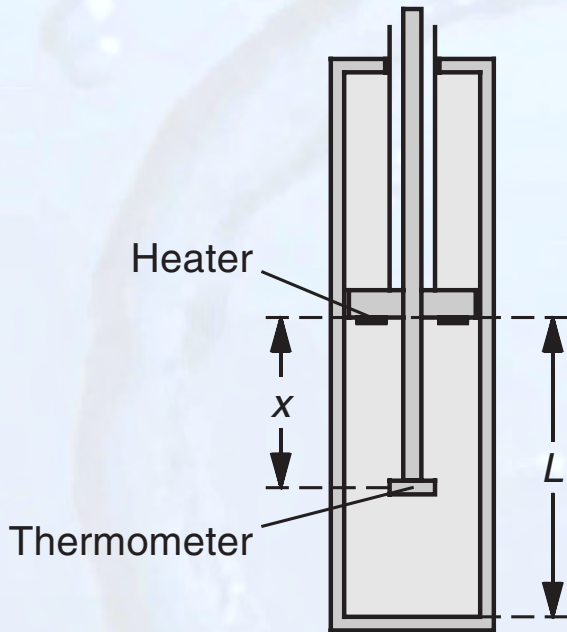


- ▶  $\dot{q} = -\Lambda \text{grad } T$  for very thin capillaries or small values of  $\text{grad } T$
  - ▶ low  $T$ , small values of  $\Delta T$   $\rightarrow$  linear in  $\Delta T$
  - ▶ high  $T$ , large values of  $\Delta T$   $\rightarrow$  sublinear in  $\Delta T$
  - ▶ critical heat flow  $\triangleq$  critical velocity
- } linear regime



Propagation of temperature waves similar to sound waves

suggested by Kapitza  
first seen by Peshkov 1944



resonance condition  $v_2 = 2L\nu/n$

- ▶ Seen up to 100 kHz (experimental limit)
- ▶  $v_2$  independent of frequency



Basic idea: He-II has two components



normalfluid

superfluid

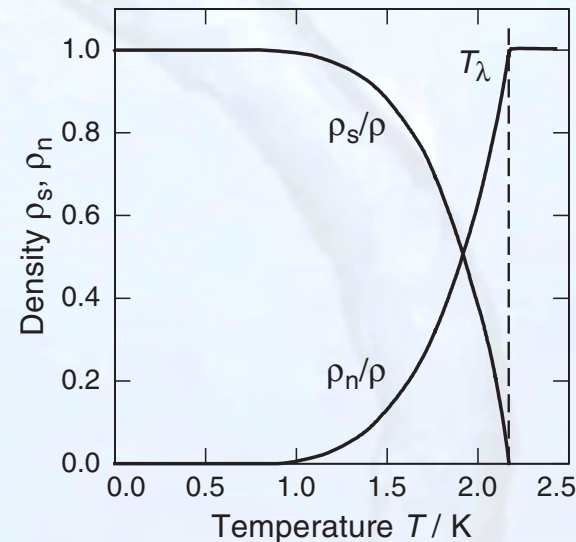
Tisza 1938  
London 1938  
Landau 1941, 1947  
Feynman 1953

Assumptions and Properties:

$$\varrho = \varrho_n + \varrho_s \quad (1)$$

$$T = T_\lambda: \quad \varrho_s = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \varrho_n = \varrho$$

$$T = 0: \quad \varrho_s = \varrho \quad \text{and} \quad \varrho_n = 0$$



	density	viscosity	entropy
normal-fluid component	$\varrho_n$	$\eta_n = \eta$	$S_n = S$
superfluid component	$\varrho_s$	$\eta_s = 0$	$S_s = 0$

In addition: no turbulence associated with  $\varrho_s \rightarrow \text{rot } \mathbf{v}_s = 0$





density  $\varrho = \varrho_n + \varrho_s$  (1)

mass flow  $\mathbf{j} = \varrho_n \mathbf{v}_n + \varrho_s \mathbf{v}_s$  (2)

continuity eqn.  
(mass conservation)  $\frac{\partial \varrho}{\partial t} = -\text{div } \mathbf{j}$  (3)

He-II is **ideal fluid**  $\eta_n < 10^{-5} \text{ P} \sim 0$

➔ **Euler eqn.** (Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law of motion for continua)

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{j}}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\varrho \mathbf{v} \text{ div } \mathbf{v}}_{\approx 0} = -\text{grad } p$$

➔

for **small velocities** since quadratic in  $v$   
(approximation for **linear regime**)

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{j}}{\partial t} = -\text{grad } p$$
 (4)



entropy conservation

motion is reversible since **no dissipative** processes  $\longrightarrow$  **He-II is an ideal fluid**  
(in first approximation)

$$\frac{\partial(\overset{\text{entropy / mass}}{\rho S})}{\partial t} = -\text{div}(\underbrace{\rho S \mathbf{v}_n}_{\text{entropy density}}) \quad (5)$$

only  $\rho_n$  contributes

One more equation is needed  $\longrightarrow$  an equation of motion for  $\rho_s$  (or  $\rho_n$ )

this is difficult to derive  $\longrightarrow$  see R.B. Dingle, Proc. Phys. Soc. A62, 648 (1949) (40 pages)

here: **Gedankenexperiment** according to **Landau**

idea: **Superfluid component** is **added** at “**constant**” **volume** in the system



Consider change of internal energy

$$dU = \cancel{T dS} - \cancel{p dV} + G dm$$

$dS = 0$  reversible  
 $dV = 0$   $\uparrow$   $V = \text{constant}$   
 $G$  Gibbs free energy per unit mass

$$dU = G dm$$

$G$  Gibbs free energy is **potential energy** of **superfluid component/mass**  
 $\rightarrow -\text{grad } G$  is corresponding **force**

$$\frac{d\mathbf{v}_s}{dt} = -\text{grad } \mu \quad \text{and} \quad d\mu = -S dT + \frac{1}{\varrho} dp$$

$\mu$   $G/m$   
 Chemical potential

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_s}{\partial t} = S \text{grad } T - \frac{1}{\varrho} \text{grad } p \quad (6)$$



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mass conservation  
continuity eqn.  $\frac{\partial \varrho}{\partial t} = -\text{div } \mathbf{j}$  (3)

ideal fluid  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{j}}{\partial t} = -\text{grad } p$  (4)

entropy conservation  $\frac{\partial(\varrho S)}{\partial t} = -\text{div}(\varrho S \mathbf{v}_n)$  (5)

an equation of motion for  
superfluid component  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_s}{\partial t} = S \text{ grad } T - \frac{1}{\varrho} \text{ grad } p$  (6)





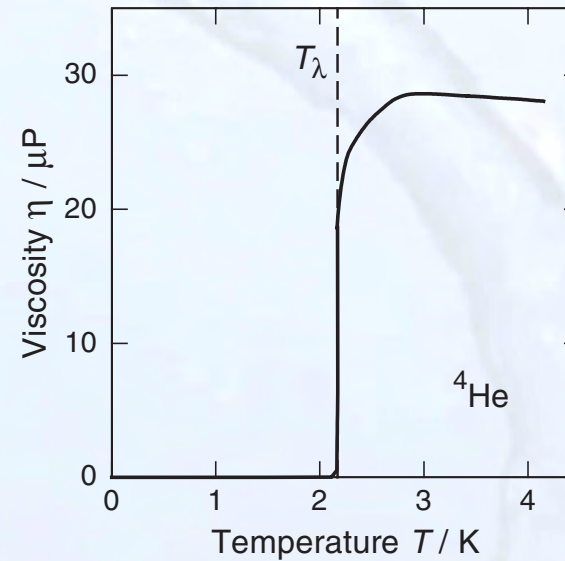
### a) Viscosity

(i) capillaries (extremely thin)

Interpretation:  $v_n \approx 0$

→ only superfluid phase  
is observed

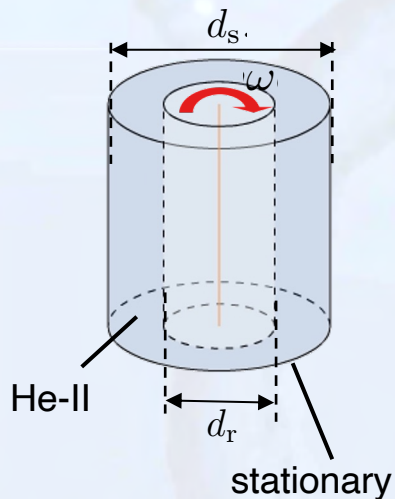
$$\eta = \eta_s = 0$$





### a) Viscosity

(ii) rotary viscosimeter



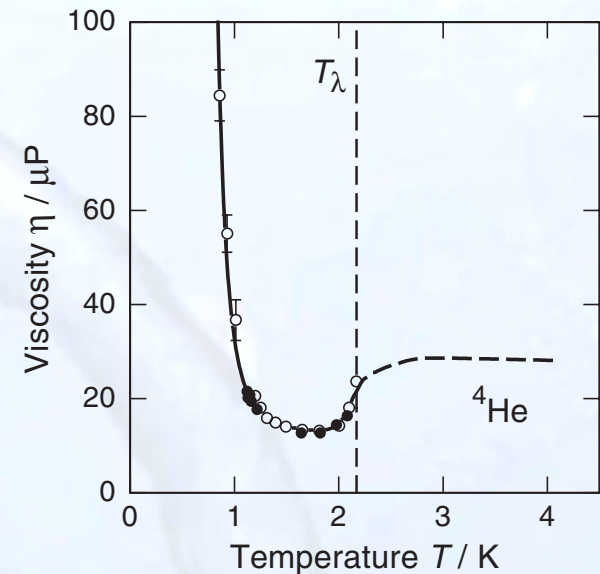
Torque acting on stationary cylinder is measured

$$M_r = \pi \eta \omega d_r^2 d_s^2 / (d_s^2 - d_r^2)$$

since  $\eta_s = 0$  no torque resulting from  $\varrho_s$

$$\rightarrow M_r \propto \eta = \eta_n$$

↑  
two-fluid model



### Temperature dependence

$\eta_n(T)$  at very low temperatures  $T < 1.8$  K ?

$\eta_n \propto \ell_n \rightarrow$  mean free path **increases** with **decreasing** temperature because thermal **excitations disappear**

Viscosity

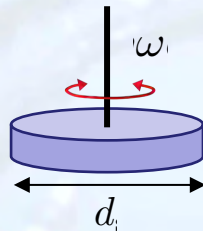
$$\eta = \frac{1}{3} \rho v \ell$$

Landau-Chhalatnikow Theory



### a) Viscosity

(iii) oscillating disc



Torque acting on the disc:

$$M_d = \pi \sqrt{\varrho \eta} \omega^{3/2} r^4 \Theta(\omega)$$

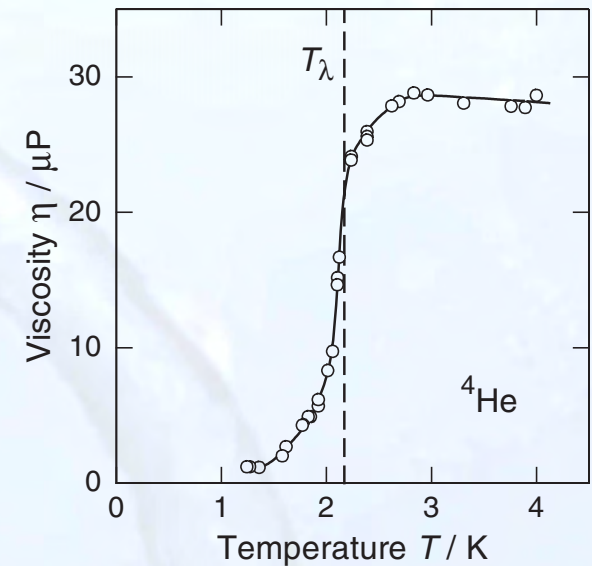
$$\Theta(\omega) = \Theta_0 \cos(\omega t - \pi/4)$$

$$M_d \propto \sqrt{\varrho \eta}$$

product is important for  $M_d$

$$T < T_\lambda \quad \longrightarrow \quad \eta_s = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \eta_n \varrho_n \text{ is measured}$$

$$\text{for } T \rightarrow 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \varrho_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \varrho_n \eta_n \rightarrow 0$$

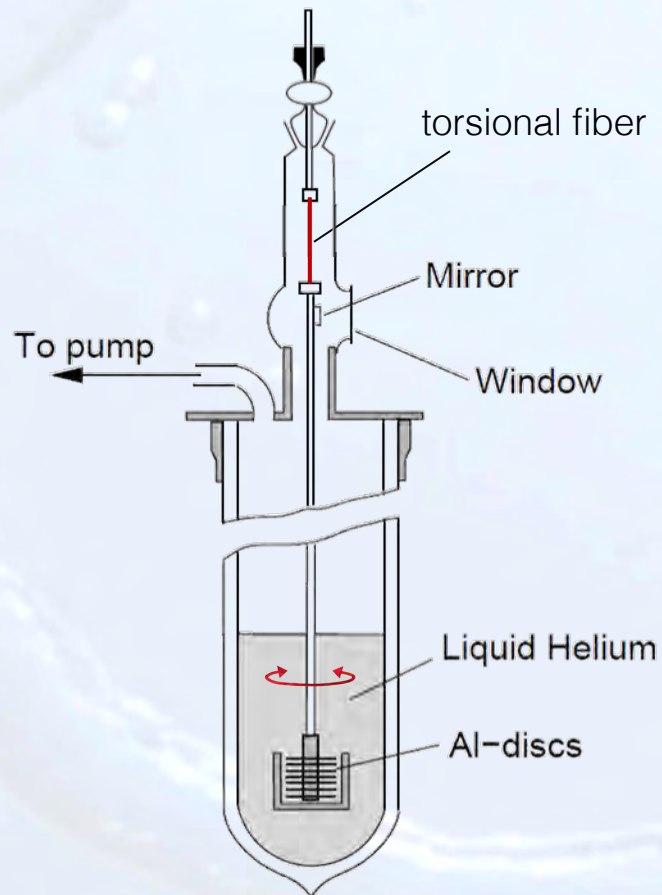




### Determination of $\rho_n$

Experiment of Andronikashvili (1948)

First **direct** observation of  $\rho_n$



Elepter Luarsabovich  
Andronikashvili (1910-1989)

**50 aluminum discs**

thickness **13  $\mu\text{m}$**

diameter **3.5 cm**

spacing **210  $\mu\text{m}$**



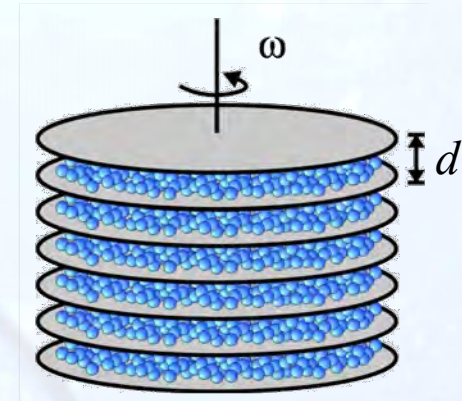


observation  $\rightarrow$  slow resonant oscillations (mass and torsion fiber)

Important parameter is the viscos penetration depth for wave with frequency  $\omega$

$$\delta = \sqrt{2\eta_n / \varrho_n \omega}$$

- $d < \delta$ :
- ▶  $\varrho_n$  is dragged along with torsion oscillator above and below  $T_\lambda$
  - ▶  $\varrho_s$  remains stationary
  - ▶ period of oscillation determined by mass of torsion oscillator (and spring constant)
- $\rightarrow \varrho_n$  can be determined



temperature dependence (empirical relation)

$$\varrho_n = \varrho_\lambda \left( \frac{T}{T_\lambda} \right)^{5.6}$$

comparison with 2<sup>nd</sup> Sound  $\rightarrow$  fits well

