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Spin wave radiation from vortices in superfluid $^3\text{He-B}$ and supercritical motion

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Content

Vortex structure:

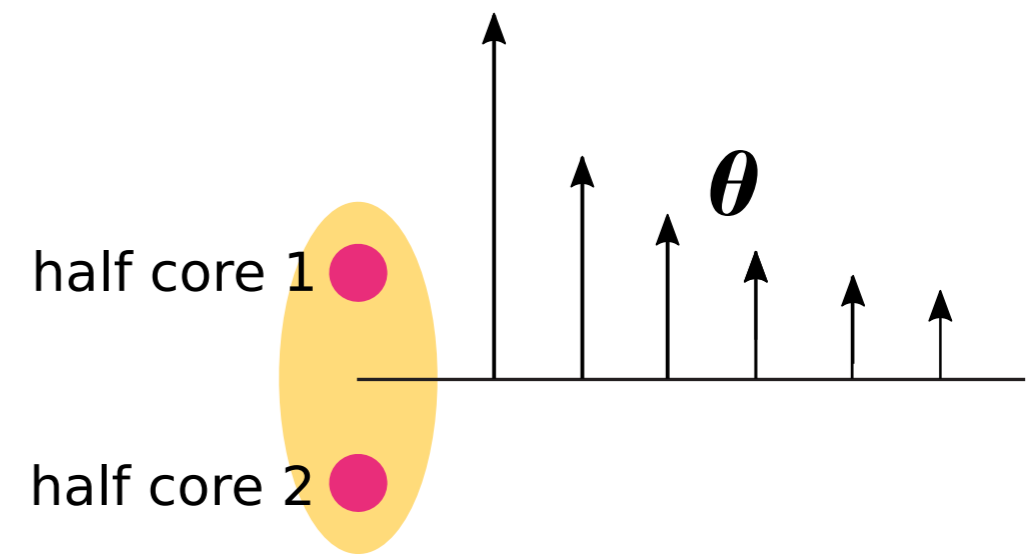
- core split into two half cores
- asymptotic form far from vortex axis

Effect of precessing magnetization:

- dipole-dipole torque on the asymptotic form
- ⇒ dissipation by radiation of spin waves
- ⇒ slow rotation of the vortex
- ⇒ twisted vortex
- spin wave radiation from a twisted vortex

Supercritical motion

- can we understand low dissipation theoretically?



Weak coupling p-wave pairing superfluid

p-wave pairing ($L = 1$) \rightarrow triplet pairing ($S = 1$)

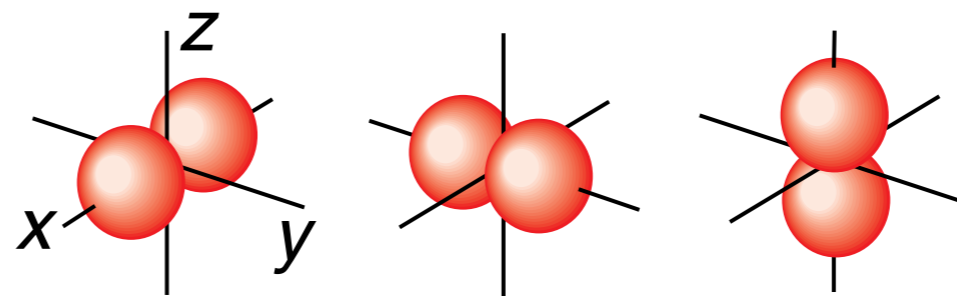
Orbital wave functions ($L=1$)

Spin wave functions ($S=1$)

$$S_x=0: \quad (-\uparrow\uparrow + \downarrow\downarrow)$$

$$S_y=0: \quad i(\uparrow\uparrow + \downarrow\downarrow)$$

$$S_z=0: \quad (\uparrow\downarrow + \downarrow\uparrow)$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{xx} & A_{xy} & A_{xz} \\ A_{yx} & A_{yy} & A_{yz} \\ A_{zx} & A_{zy} & A_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

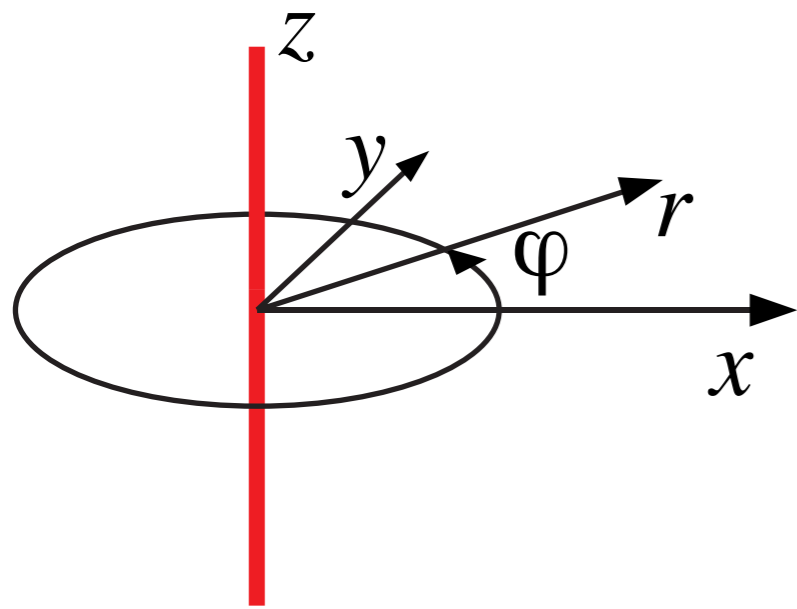
order parameter

Weak coupling approximation

The ground state is Balian–Werthamer state

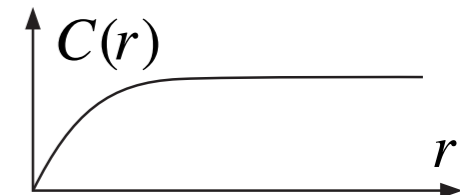
A = unit matrix, or arbitrary rotation matrix

Vortex



$$A_{\alpha i}(r, \varphi, z) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{i\varphi}$$

A simple solution $A_{\alpha i}(r, \varphi, z) = C(r) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{i\varphi}$



Consider the x axis

far at negative x :

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

smooth change

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \\ 0 & C(r) & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

far at positive x :

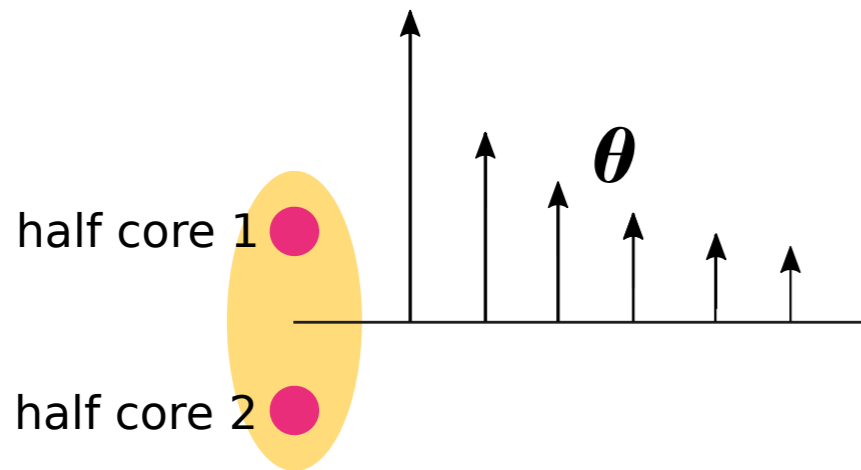
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\theta(x)$ changes from π to 0

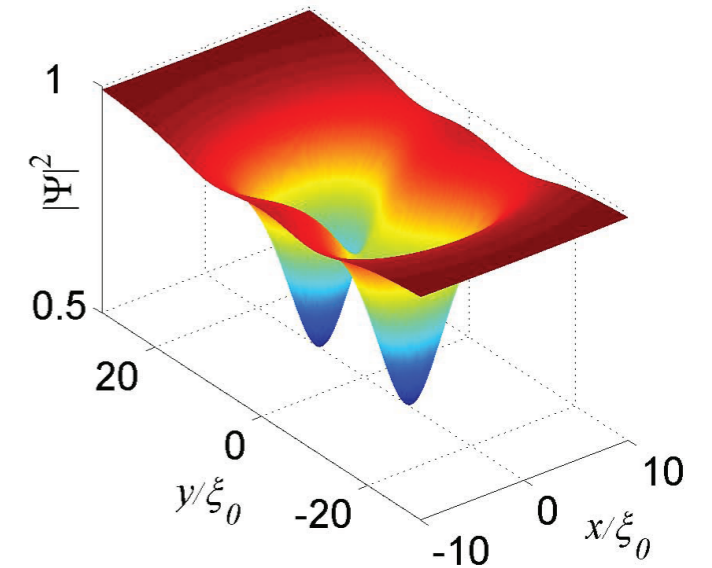
Smooth change on the x axis

pair density most suppressed at two points on the y axis:
the core is split into two half cores

Double-core vortex



Two half cores

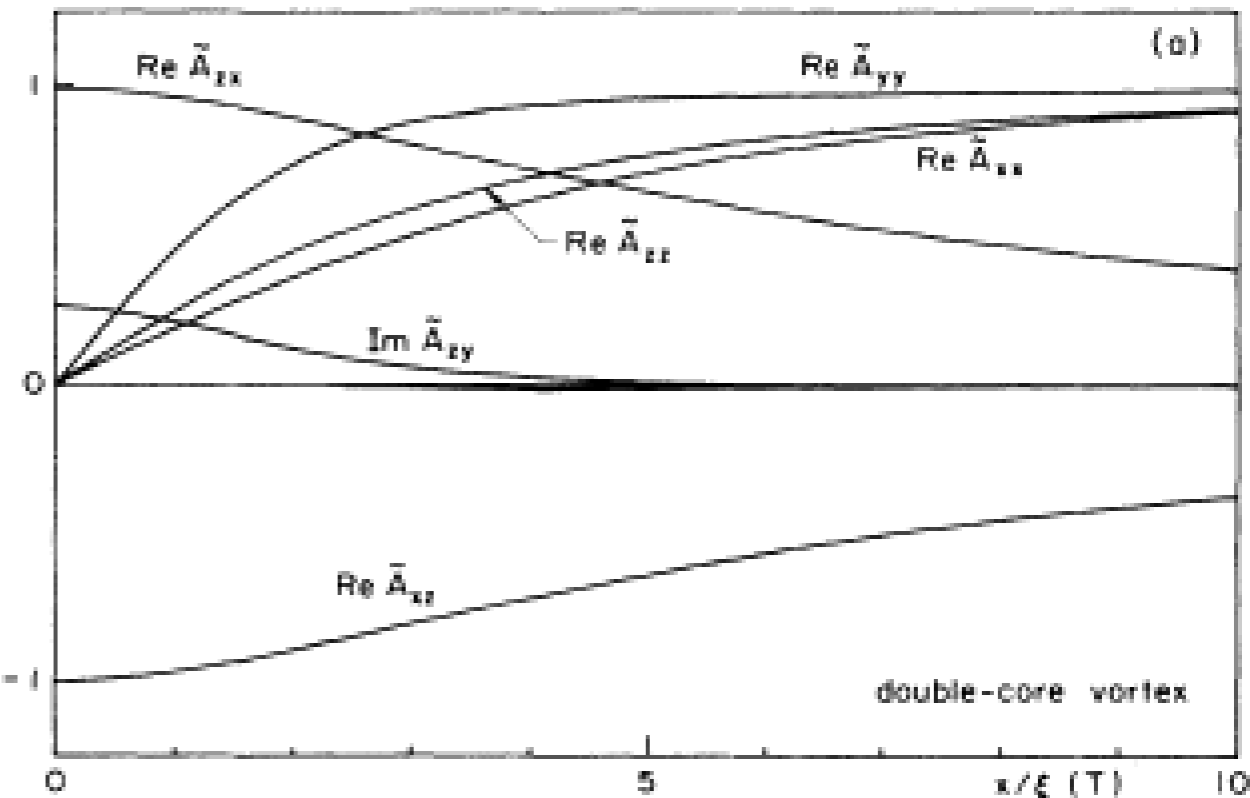


Asymptotic form far from vortex axis

$$A = e^{i\varphi} R(\theta_0 \hat{n}) R(\theta)$$

$$\theta(r, \varphi) = \frac{C_1 \cos \varphi}{r} \left(\frac{\sin \varphi}{1+c} \hat{r} + \cos \varphi \hat{\varphi} \right) + \frac{C_2 \sin \varphi}{r} \left(-\frac{\cos \varphi}{1+c} \hat{r} + \sin \varphi \hat{\varphi} \right)$$

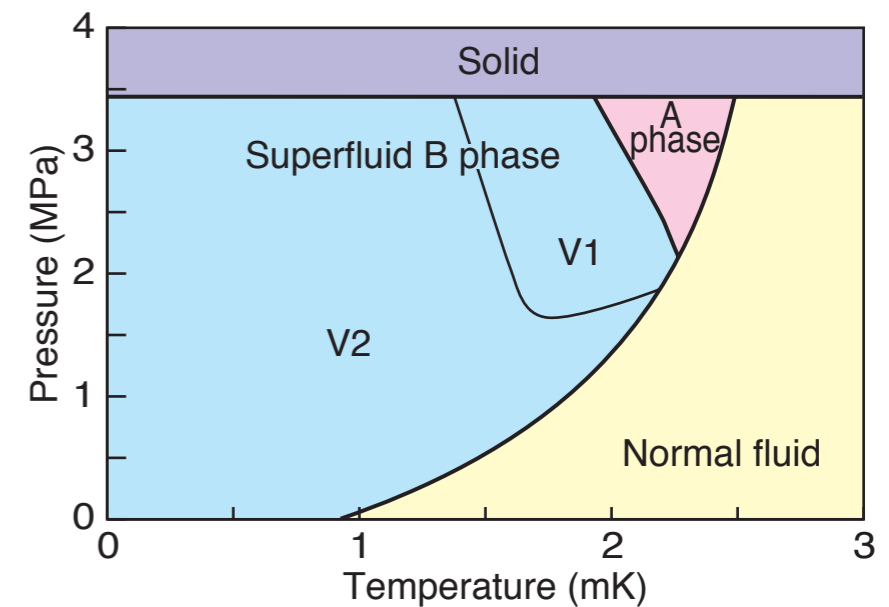
$$C_1 \gg C_2 \approx 0$$



[axially symmetric vortex: $C_1=C_2$ (Hasegawa 1985)]

Short history of the double-core vortex

– Experimental observation of vortex core transition in superfluid $^3\text{He-B}$ (Ikkala, Volovik, Hakonen, Bun'kov, Islander, Kharadze, 1982) etc



– identification of the vortex structures based on calculation in the Ginzburg–Landau region (T 1986, Salomaa & Volovik 1986, T 1987): V2 = double–core vortex

– quantitative model as two half–quantum vortices bound by a domain wall (Volovik 1990)

– Broken axisymmetry was used to explain strange behavior seen in HPD mode of NMR (Kondo et al 1991)

– weak coupling calculation of the order parameter at all temperatures by self–consistent solution of Eilenberger equations (Fogelström & Kurkijärvi 1995)

– calculation of bound quasiparticle states, Lifshitz transition, rotational friction and stiffness parameters (Silaev, T & Fogelström 2015)

Dipole-dipole interaction

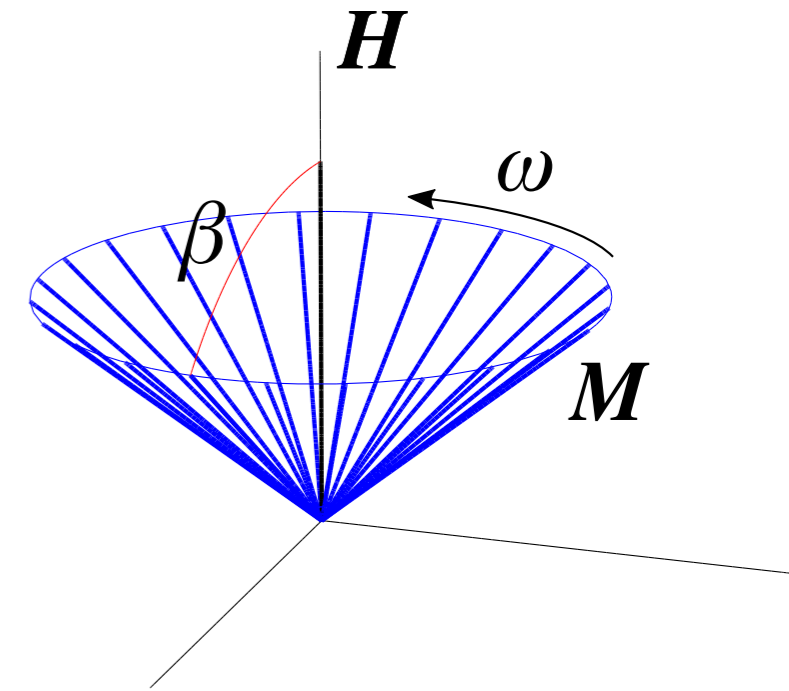
Dipole-dipole energy $f_D = \lambda_D (R_{ii}R_{jj} + R_{ij}R_{ji}) = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_D (4 \cos \vartheta + 1)^2$

minimized with total rotation angle $\vartheta = \vartheta_0 = \arccos(-\frac{1}{4}) = 104^\circ$

- ok in the B phase equilibrium

- ok in the B phase with precessing magnetization M at tipping angles $\beta < 104^\circ$: both M and n rotate uniformly around H .

- not minimized at vortices $\vartheta = \vartheta_0 + n \cdot \theta$



$$f_D = -\frac{\lambda_D}{2} + \frac{15}{2} \lambda_D (n \cdot \theta)^2$$

$$f_G = 2\lambda_{G2} [(1 + c)\partial_i \theta_k \partial_i \theta_k - c\partial_i \theta_k \partial_k \theta_i]$$

$c \diamond 1$, but $c = 0$
simplifies calculations

$$H = \frac{1}{2\chi} M^2 - \omega_L \cdot M + f_D + f_G \quad M \text{ and } \theta \text{ conjugate variables}$$

Spin wave radiation

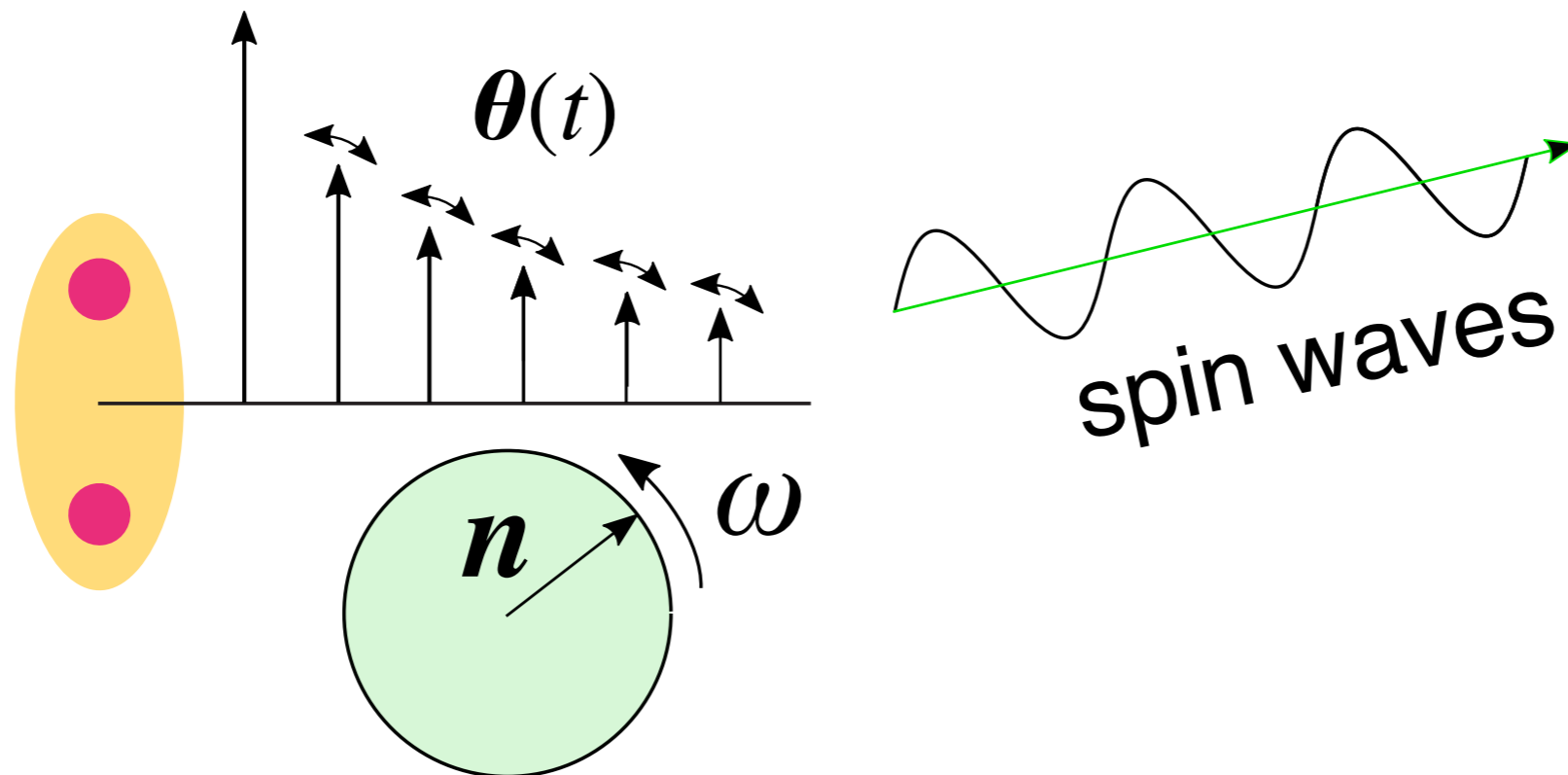
$$\ddot{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\omega}_L \times \dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \Omega^2 \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\theta}) - v^2 [(1 + c)\nabla^2 \boldsymbol{\theta} - c\nabla(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\theta})] = 0$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \boldsymbol{\theta}_1(\mathbf{r}) + \boldsymbol{\theta}_2(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

⇒ inhomogeneous wave equation

$$\ddot{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_2 - \boldsymbol{\omega}_L \times \dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_2 + \Omega^2 \mathbf{n}\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\theta}_2 - v^2 [(1 + c)\nabla^2 \boldsymbol{\theta}_2 - c\nabla(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\theta}_2)] = -\Omega^2 \mathbf{n}\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\theta}_1$$

⇒ eigenvalue equation for three polarizations: one decaying, two propagating modes

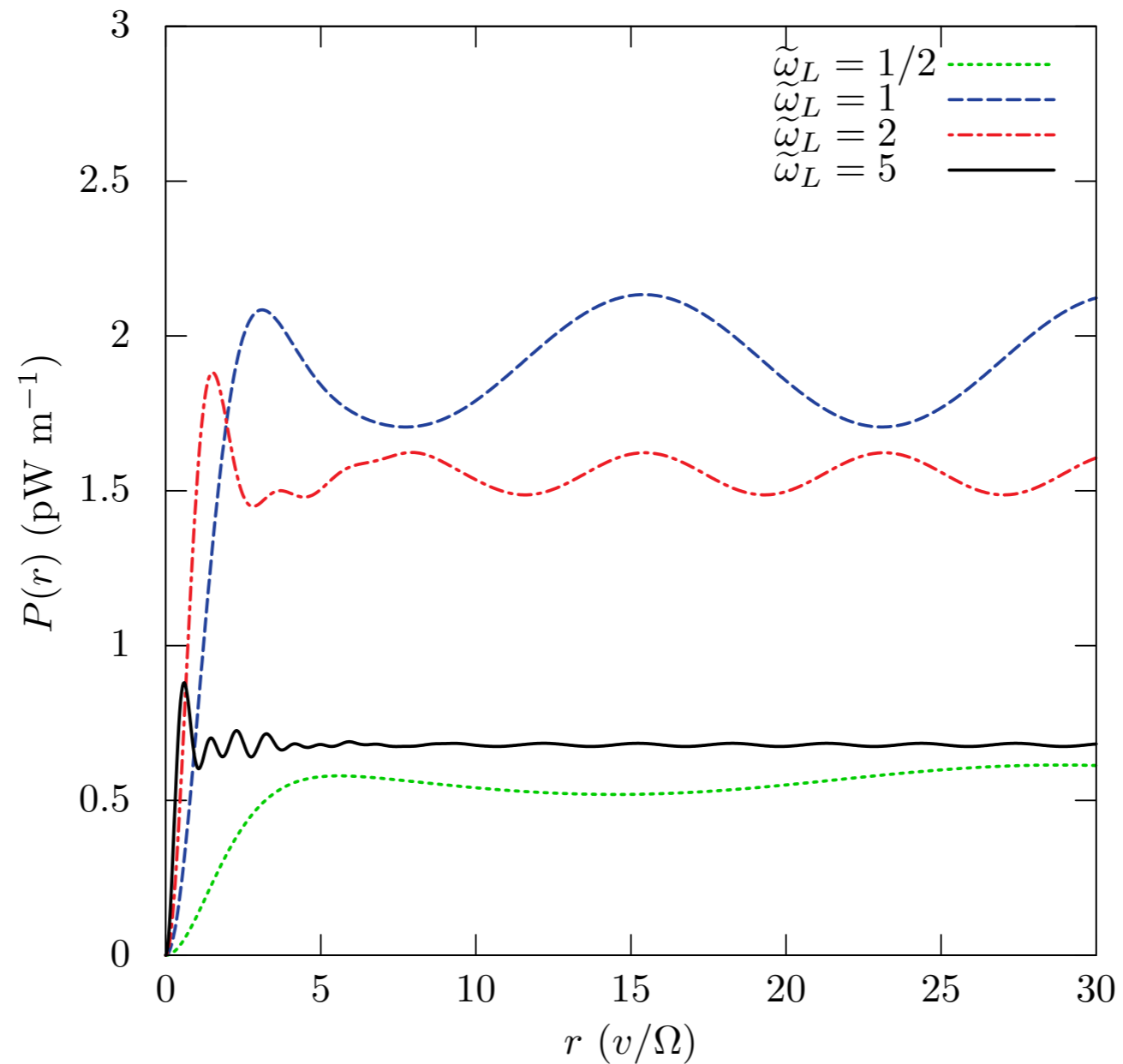


Radiated power

energy flux

$$\Sigma_i = -\chi v^2 \left[(1 + c) \dot{\theta}_k \partial_i \theta_k - c \dot{\theta}_k \partial_k \theta_i \right]$$

radiated power



radius

Results for small tipping, small T/T_c

$$P = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \chi \Omega^4 \frac{\omega_L}{\omega_L^2 - \Omega^2} \frac{4\beta^2}{5} \left\{ \frac{3c^2 + 6c + 4}{4(1+c)^2} (C_1^2 + C_2^2) + \frac{2c(2+c)}{4(1+c)^2} C_1 C_2 \right\} H(\omega_L - \Omega)$$

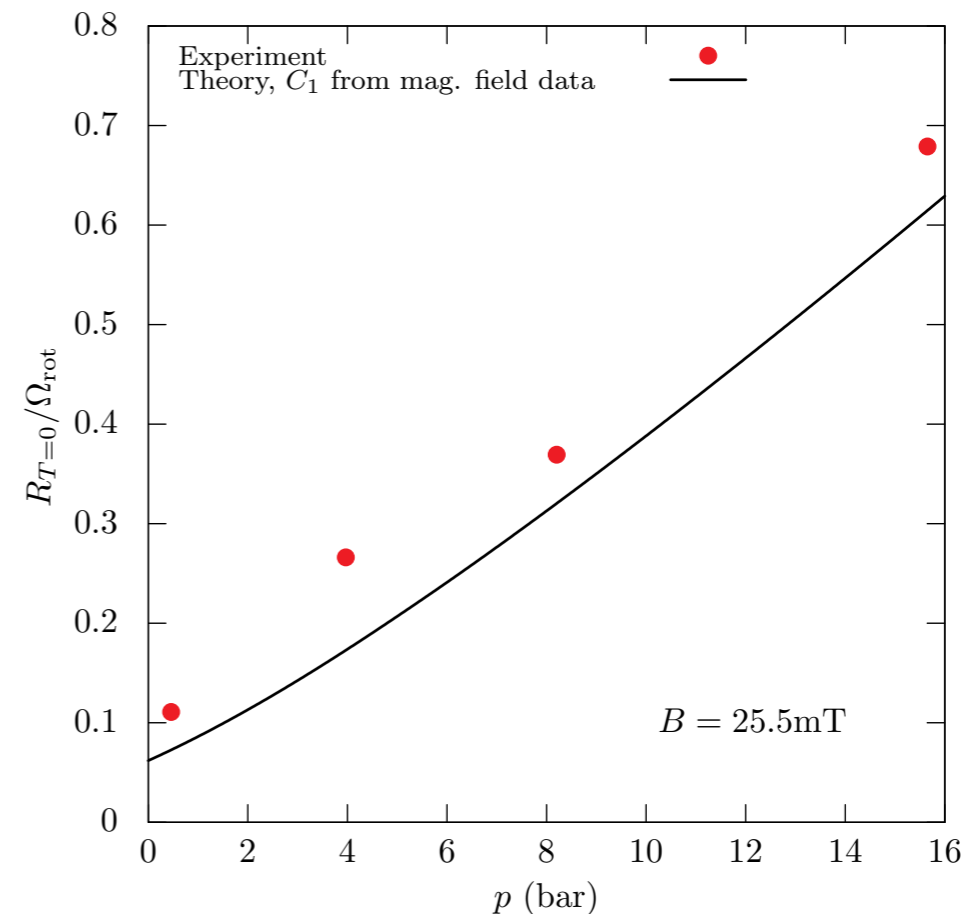
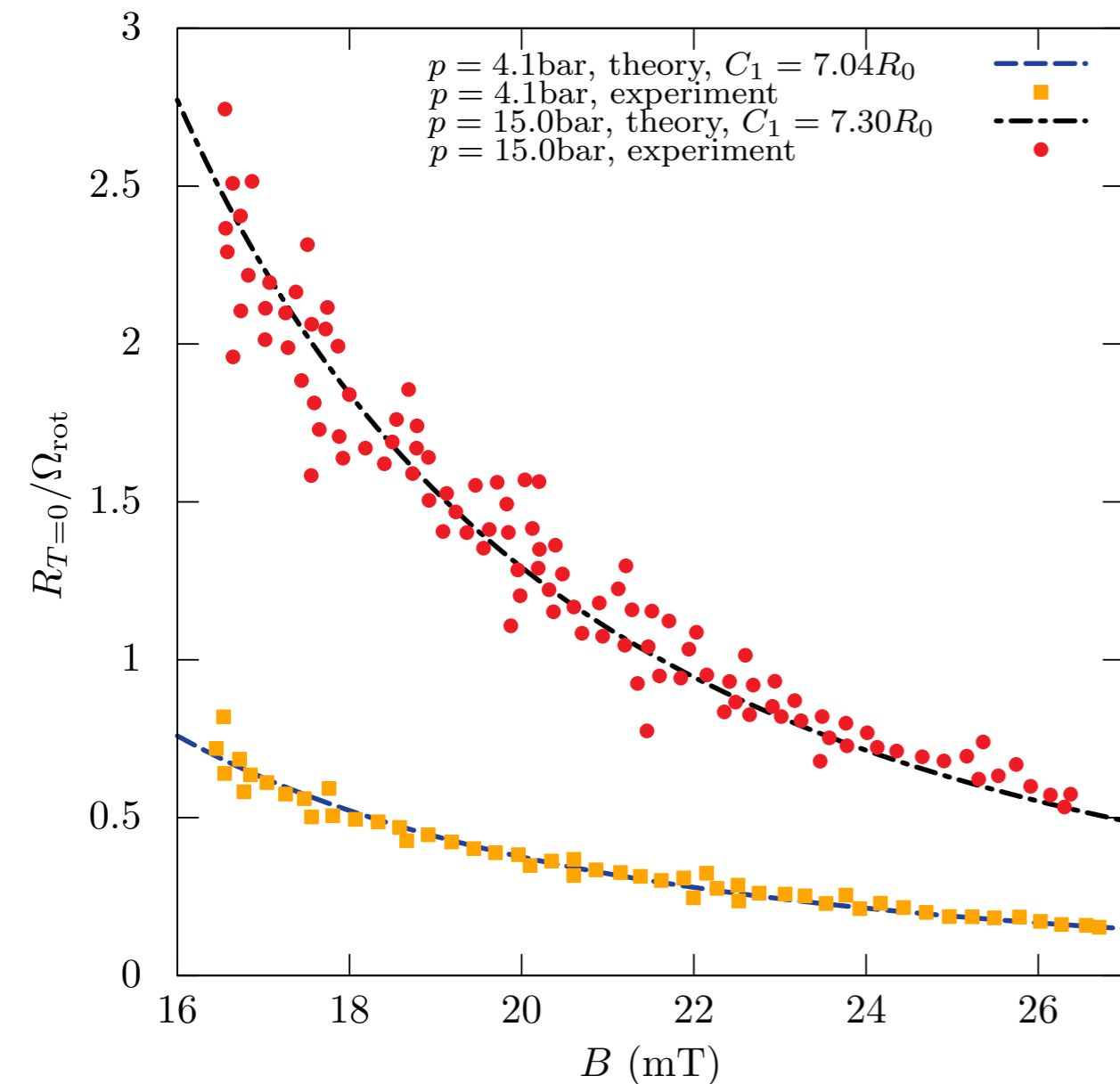
step function

Relaxation rate vs. magnetic field

Only fitting parameter $C_1 \approx 7$ ($C_2 = 0$)

Weak coupling calculation of the vortex structure: $C_1 \approx 5$
(Silae, T, Fogelström 2015)

pressure dependence



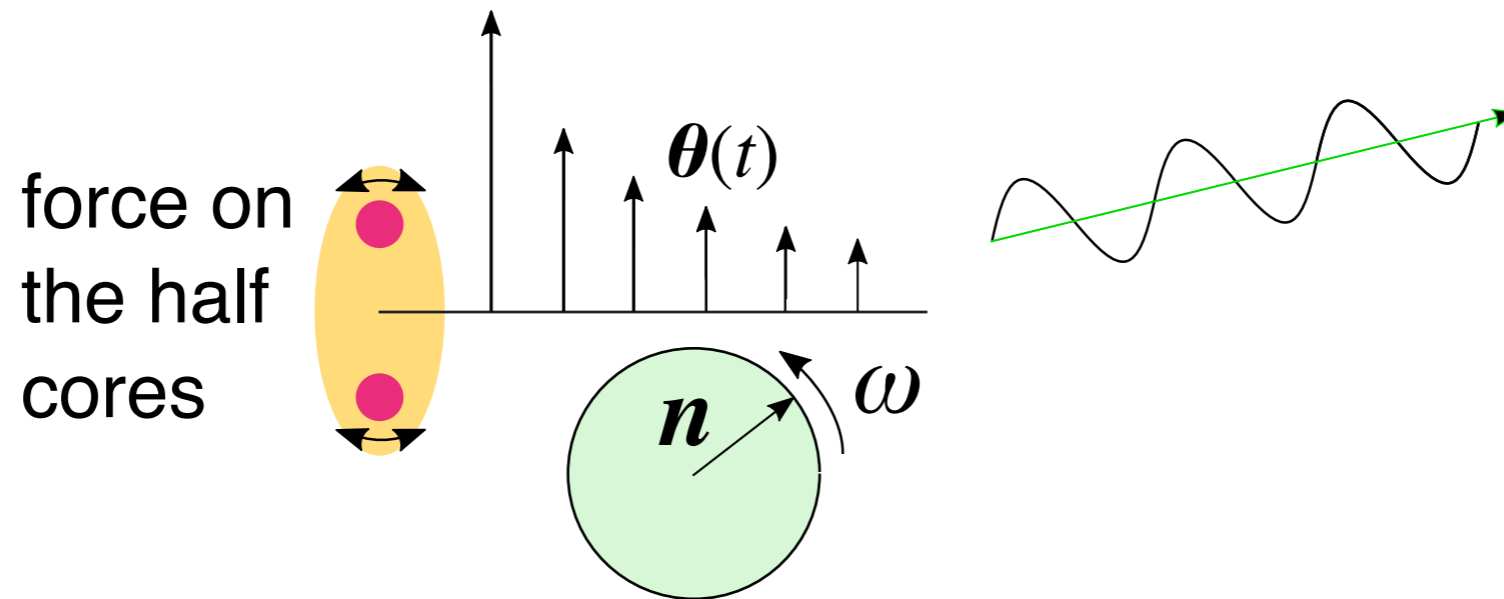
Experiment: Rota group (Aalto)

Other relaxation mechanisms

1) nonequilibrium between normal and superfluid components (Leggett & Takagi 1977)

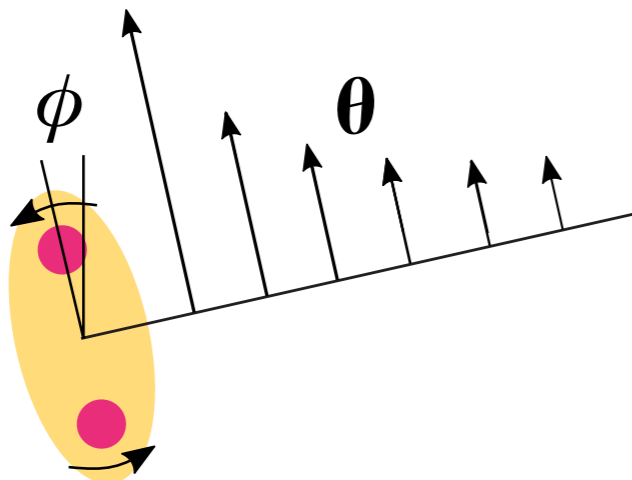
– weak at low temperatures, contributes at high temperatures (Laine & T 2016)

2) dissipation by bound quasiparticle states in the half cores (Kondo et al 1991).



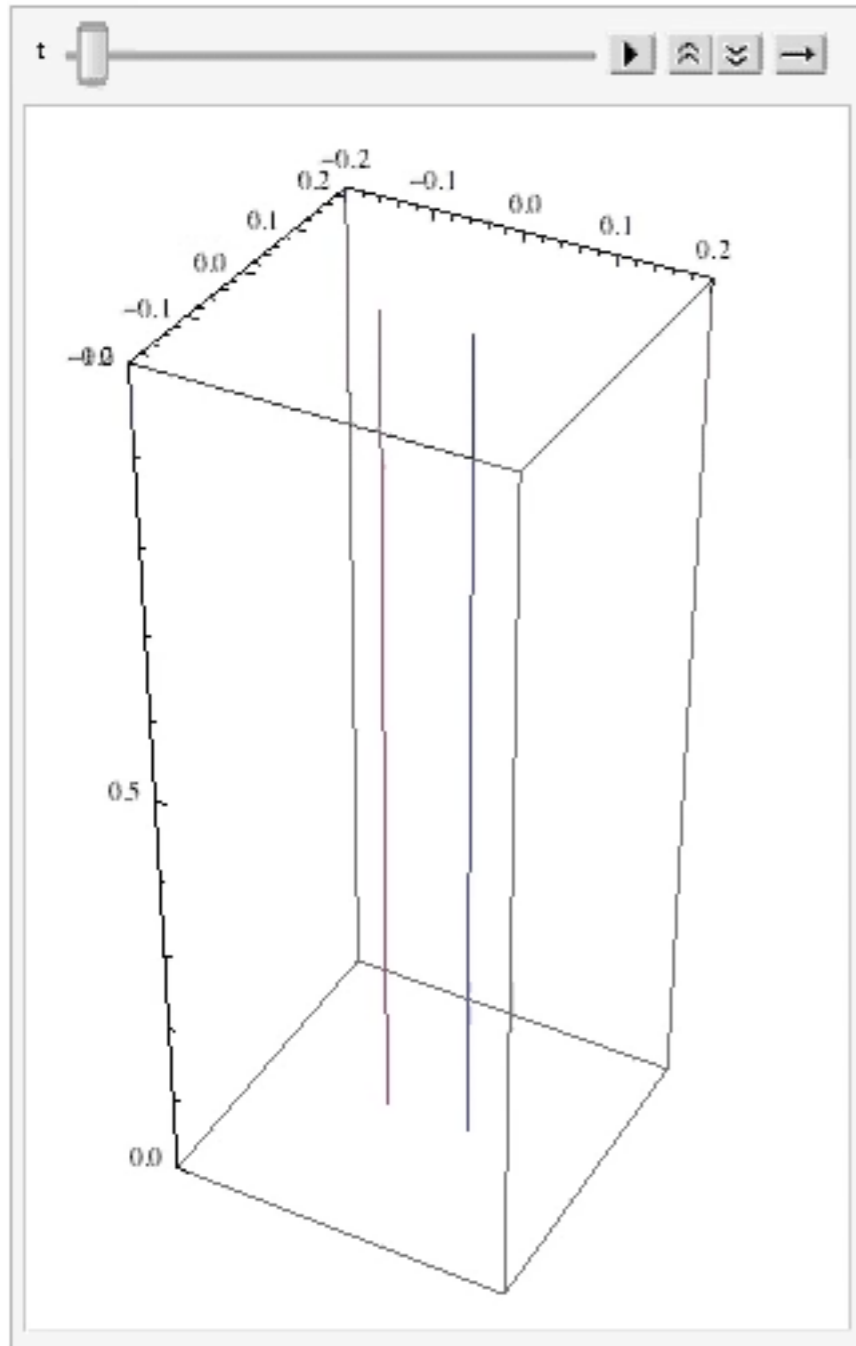
– calculation of the bound states (Silaev, T & Fogelström): the friction coefficient f is so large that the dissipation is negligible

– softness of $\theta \Rightarrow$ d.c. force \Rightarrow slow rotation of the vortex



$$\dot{\phi} = \frac{P}{\omega f} + \frac{K}{f} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2}$$

Twisted double-core vortex



Suppose the vortex is pinned at the top and bottom walls (cell height L)

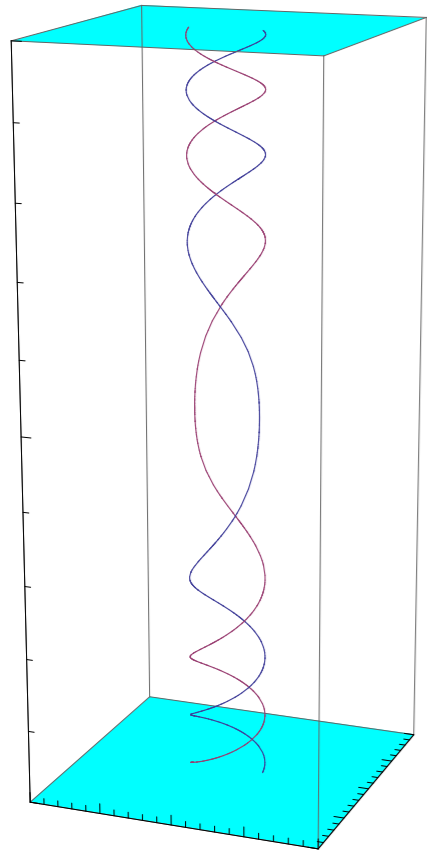
Twisting of the double-core vortex was suggested by Kondo, Korhonen, Krusius, Dmitriev, Mukharsky, Sonin, and Volovik (1991)

We can now understand the time scale: the diffusion equation

$$\dot{\phi} = \frac{P}{\omega f} + \frac{K}{f} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2}$$

and the calculation of K and f give the time scale $\frac{L^2 f}{\pi^2 K}$ of a few minutes

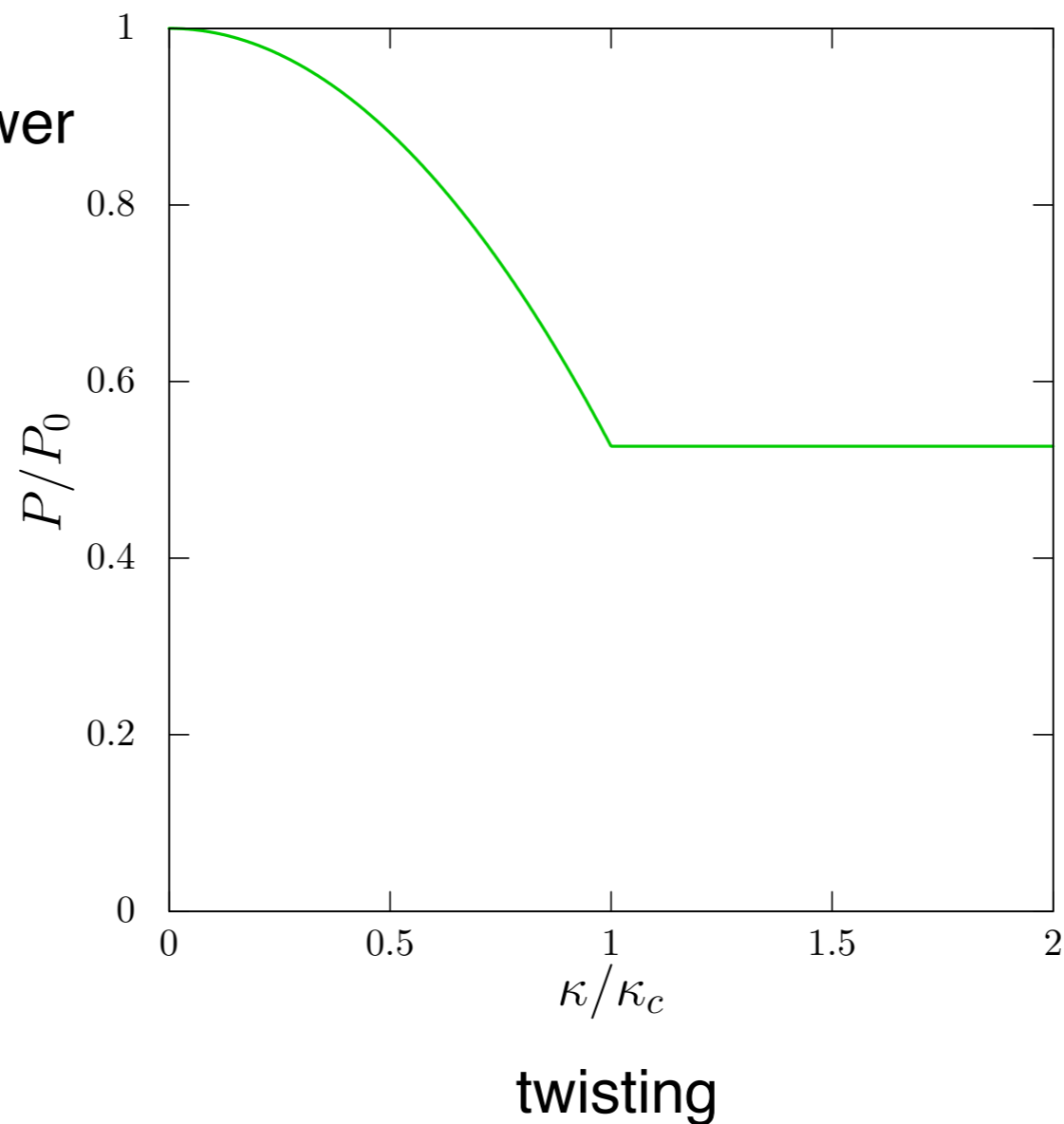
Spin-wave radiation from a twisted vortex



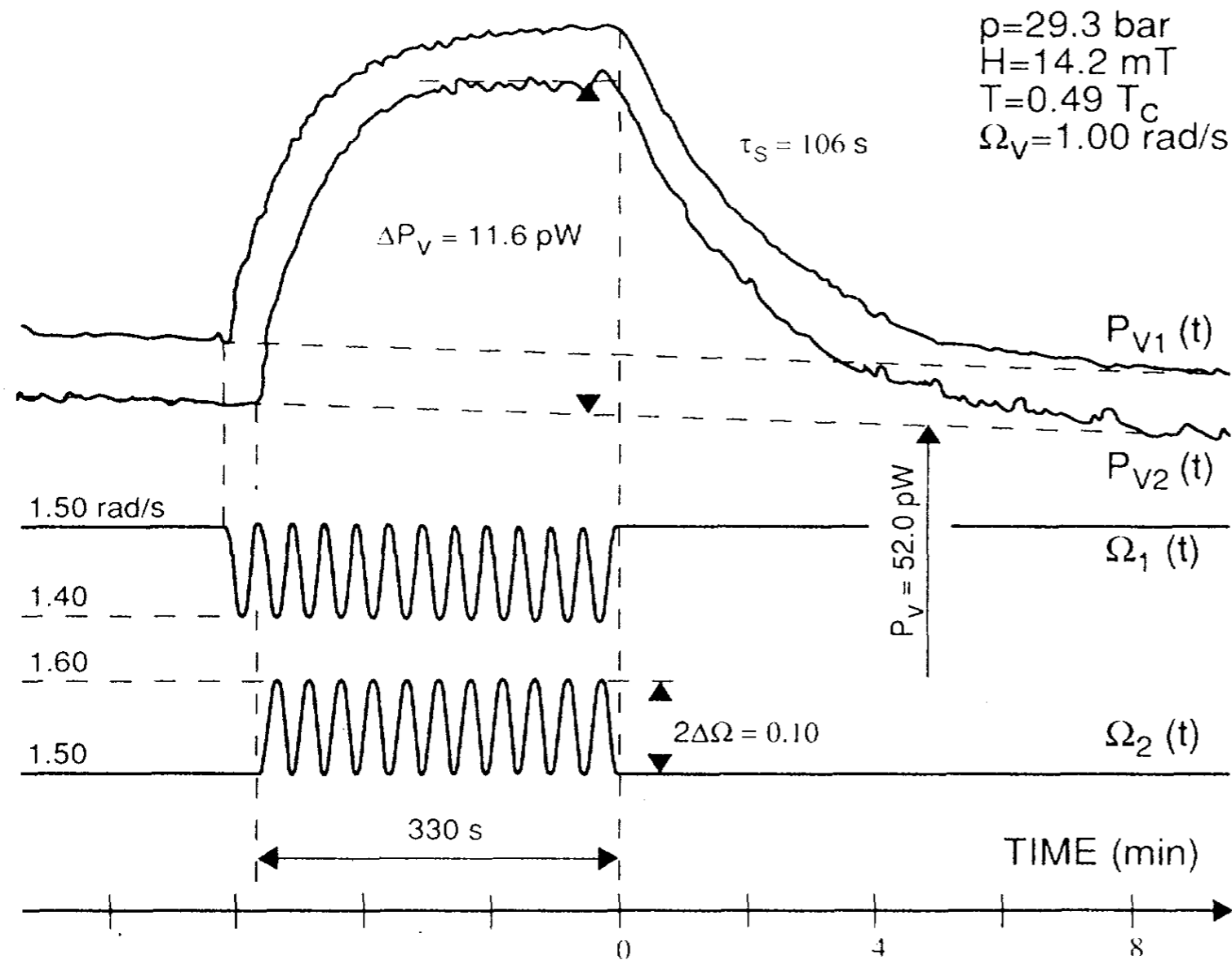
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Twisting reduces the coherence of the emitted waves
One of the two modes becomes nonpropagating at a critical twisting

radiated power



Experimental data on twisted vortices



Krusius, Kondo, Korhonen,
Sonin, Phys. Rev. B 47, 15113
(1993)

theory explains
- changes of absorption
- time scales (including the
factor of 2 difference in
increasing and decreasing
absorption)

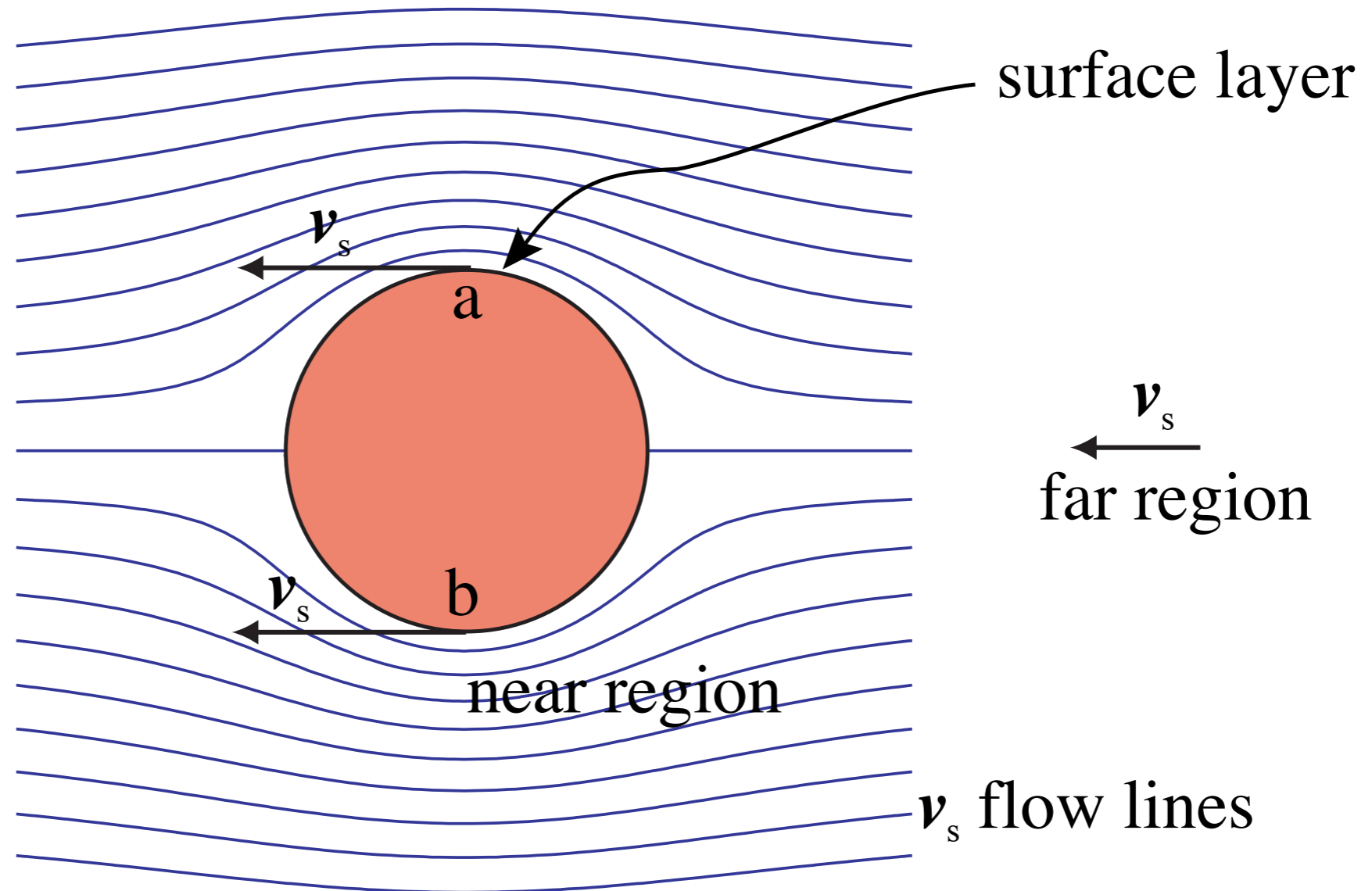
Summary of spin wave radiation in vortices of $^3\text{He-B}$

Spin wave radiation is the dominant dissipation mechanism of NMR in vortices at temperatures $T/T_c < 0.5$

Theory and experiment agree essentially without fitting parameters

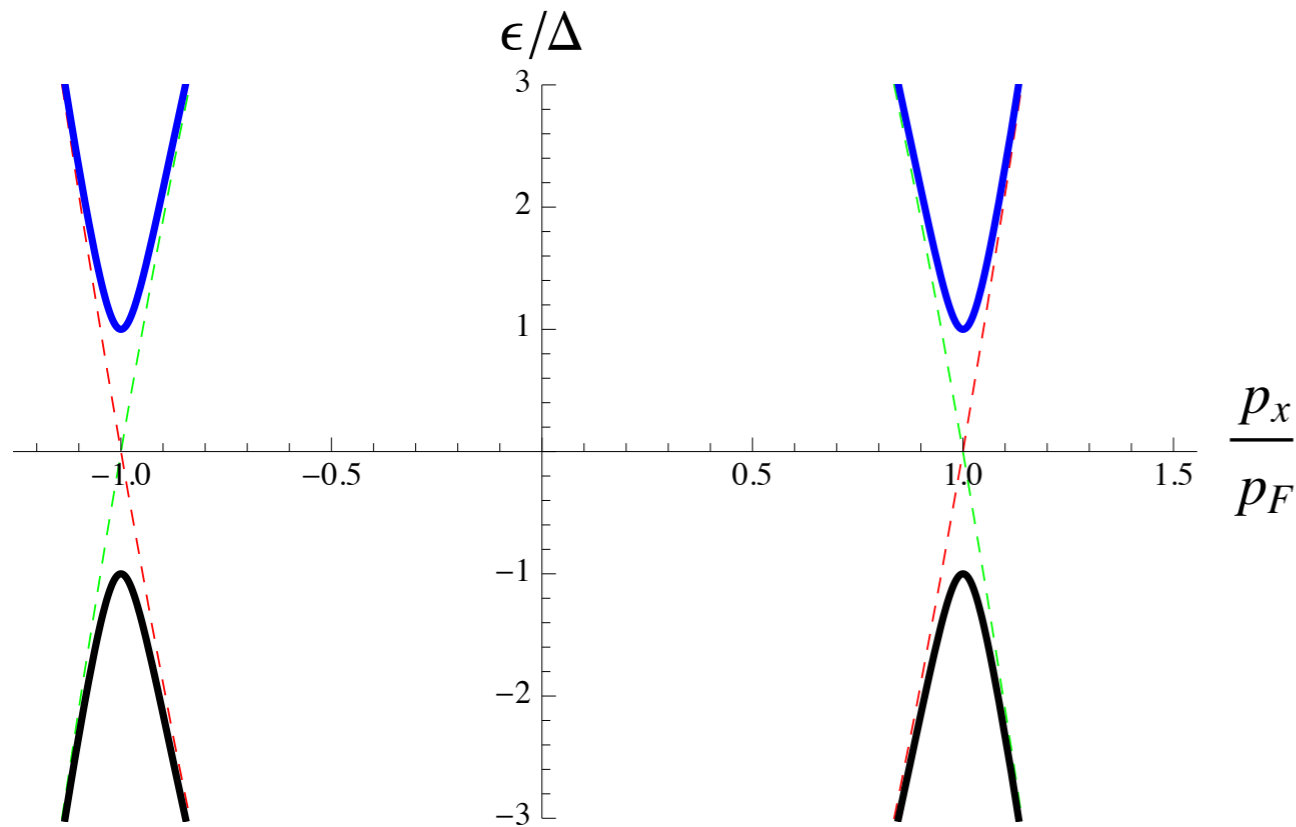
Poster 780 by Sami Laine on Monday

Moving objects in a Fermi superfluid: three regions

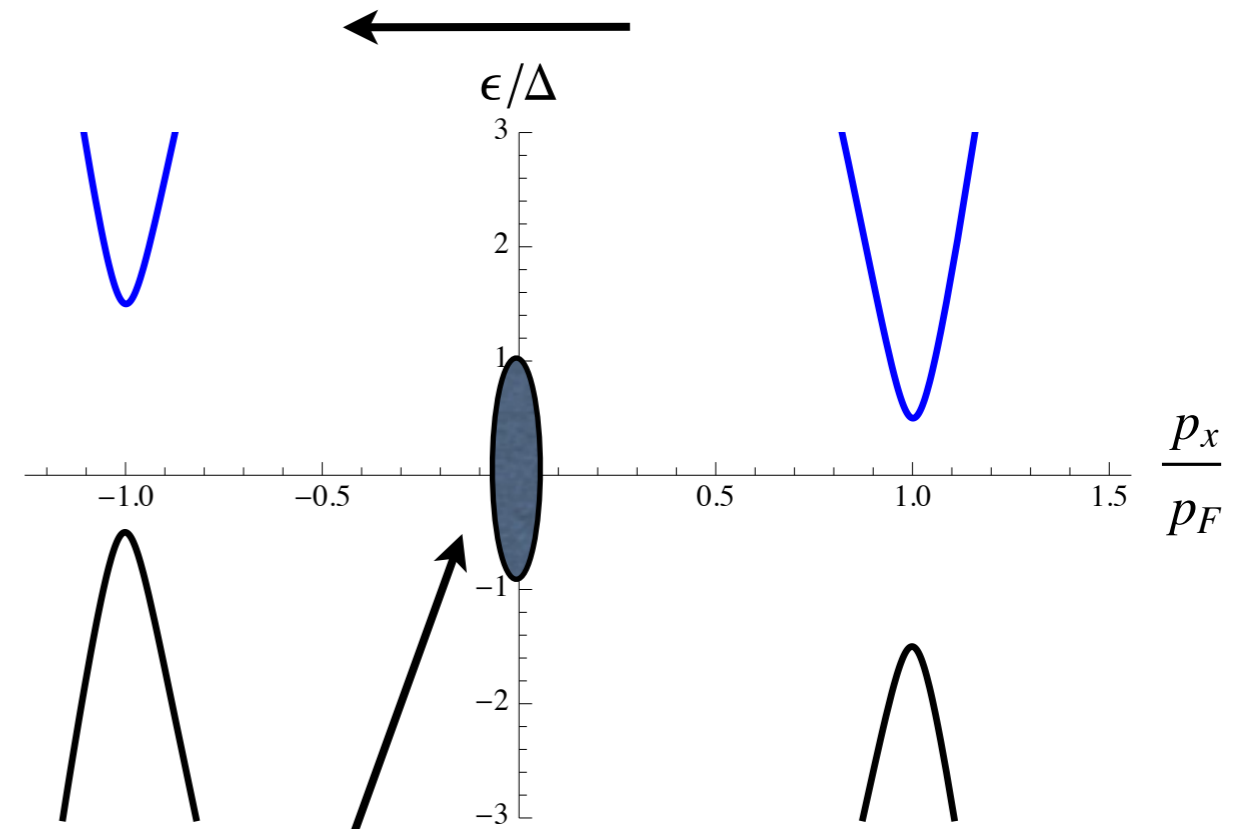


Quasiparticle dispersion

stationary superfluid



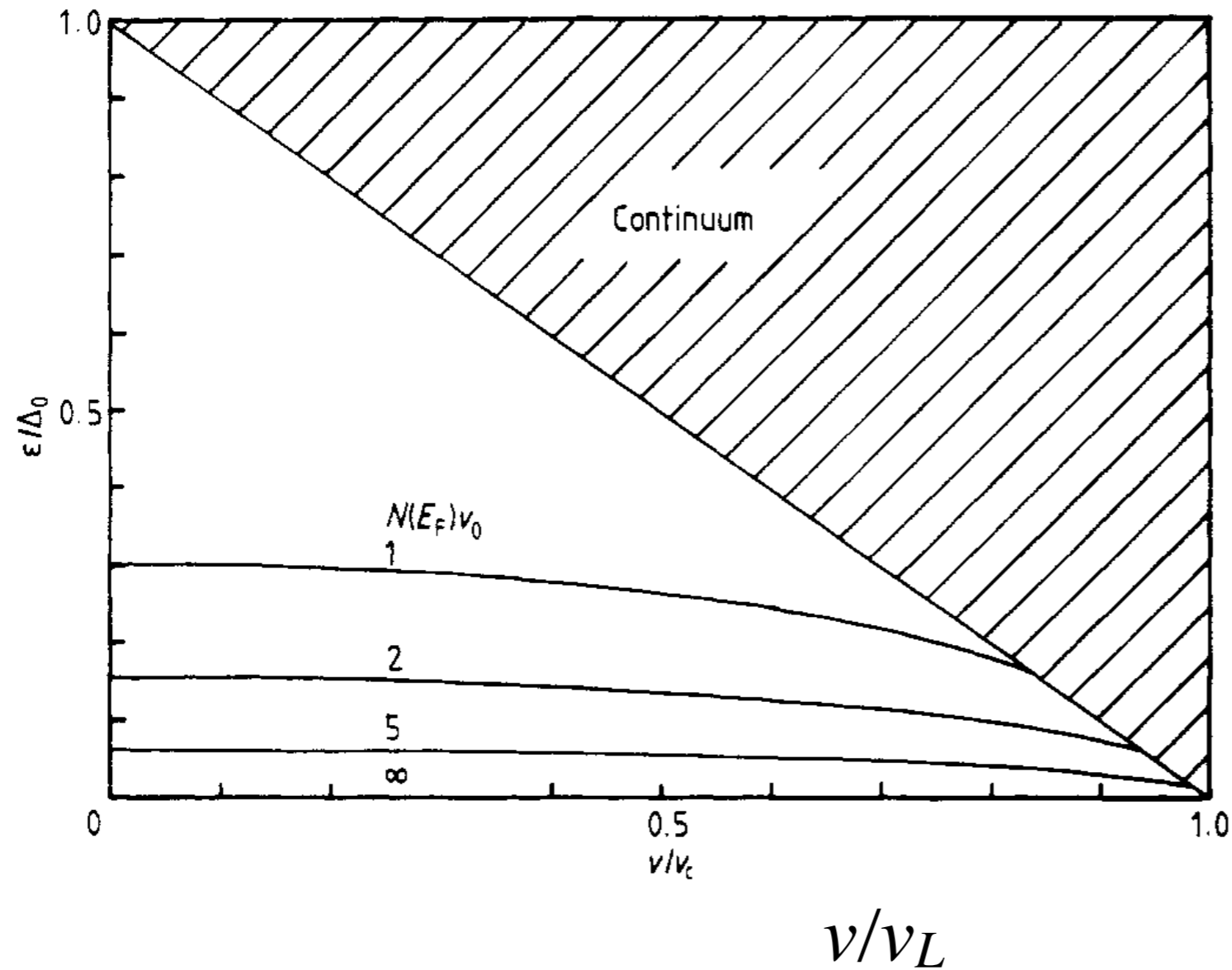
moving superfluid



bound excitations in the surface layer for diffuse scattering

How can Lambert mechanism work?

Bound state energies for a point object



Ashauer, Rainer 1988

No crossing of the Fermi level at subcritical velocity

The same seems to hold for a wall

Superfluid low frequency dynamics

Serene & Rainer 1983

the shift of quasiparticle energies is determined selfconsistently by the excitations

$$a = mv_F \mathbf{v}_s \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{F_1^s}{1 + \frac{1}{3} F_1^s} \int \frac{d\Omega'_p}{4\pi} \hat{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}}' \int_{-E_c}^{E_c} d\epsilon N(\phi_{B1} + \phi_{B2})$$

Two limiting cases

1) short time scale: ignore collisions between quasiparticles

⇒ It seems that a supercritical state can be stabilized in the near region

– it seems unlikely that such a low dissipation can be reached as reported by Bradley et al (2016)

What happens between these limits?

2) long time scale: equilibrium is achieved in the near region through collisions between quasiparticles

⇒ vortex formation