

## Thermodynamic properties.

## (i) Condensation energy.

1<sup>st</sup> law Thermodynamics:  $dU = \underbrace{dQ}_{\text{heat: } Tds} + \underbrace{dW}_{\text{work.}}$

how to calc. work?

if  $H=0 \Rightarrow dW=0$  for finite  $H$ : field needs to be expelled (Meissner effect.)

let us take  $\infty$  cylindrical sample

$\infty$  long solenoid with current  $I$ :

$$\vec{H} = \frac{N}{L} \cdot I \vec{e}_z$$



E.M.F. of single turn:  $\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\phi}{dt}$        $\phi = \text{flux} = B \cdot A$

work done:  $dW = -N \cdot \mathcal{E} \cdot I \cdot dt$

$I$  to  $I+dt$   
from  $I$  in  $dt$

$$= + N \frac{d\phi}{dt} I dt$$

$$= N I d\phi$$

$$= N I A dB$$

$$= N \cdot \left( \frac{L}{N} \vec{H} \right) A d\vec{B}$$

$$= V \cdot \vec{H} \cdot d[\mu_0(\vec{M} + \vec{H})]$$

$$= \mu_0 V (\vec{H} d\vec{M} + \vec{H} d\vec{H})$$

neglect here  $\Leftarrow$  work done to build up field in vacuum  $\Rightarrow$

so  $dW = \mu_0 V \bar{H} \cdot d\bar{M}$  and.

$$dU = Tds + \mu_0 V \bar{H} \cdot d\bar{M}$$

(compare  
(in gas:  $dU = Tds - pdV$ )

$\equiv$  1<sup>st</sup> Law thermo for magnetic medium.

using analogy  $pdV \Rightarrow -\mu_0 V \bar{H} \cdot d\bar{M}$

Helmholtz free energy  $F = U - TS$

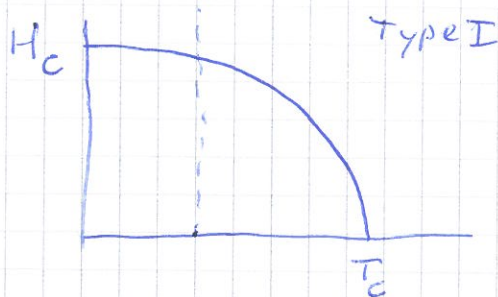
Gibbs free energy  $G = U - TS - \mu_0 V \bar{H} \cdot \bar{M}$

so that for instance entropy:  $S = -\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}$

and magnetization:  $\bar{M} = -\frac{1}{\mu_0 V} \frac{\partial G}{\partial \bar{H}}$

$G = G(T, H) \Rightarrow$  useful since  $(T, H)$  exptl. parameters.

What is the energy difference between normal and S.C. state?



we'd like to know  $G_s(T, 0) - G_n(T, 0)$

let's first look at  $G_s(T, H_c) - G_s(T, 0) =$

$$\int_0^{H_c} dG = \int_0^{H_c} -\mu_0 V \bar{M} \cdot d\bar{M}$$

in type I:  $\bar{M} = -H$  so

$$= \int_0^{H_c} \mu_0 V M dM = \mu_0 V \frac{H_c^2}{2}$$



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$$\text{so } G_S(T, H_c) - G_S(T, 0) = \mu_0 \frac{H_c^2}{2} V \quad \textcircled{B}$$

at  $H_c$ : normal & superconducting state in equil.  
i.e. same  $G$ .

$$\Rightarrow G_S(T, H_c) = G_N(T, H_c) \quad \textcircled{A}$$

in normal state  $M \approx 0$  (neglect pauli para., etc).

if not superconducting:

$$G_N(T, H_c) - G_N(T, 0) = \int_0^{H_c} dG = \int_0^{H_c} -\mu_0 V M dH \approx 0$$

$$\text{so } G_N(T, 0) \approx G_N(T, H_c)$$

$$\text{and thus } \textcircled{A} \quad G_N(T, 0) \approx G_S(T, H_c)$$

$$\text{or } \textcircled{B} \quad G_N(T, 0) - G_S(T, 0) = \mu_0 \frac{H_c^2}{2} V$$

indeed  $G_S(T, 0) < G_N(T, 0)$  by amount

$$\mu_0 H_c^2 / 2 V$$

in terms of Helmholtz free energy:

$$F = G - \mu_0 V H M \quad \text{using } H = M = 0 \quad (\text{no field})$$

similarly.

$$F_S(T, 0) - F_N(T, 0) = -\mu_0 V \frac{H_c^2}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow$  from  $H_c$  one can determine  
condensation energy !!

example Nb:

$$T_c = 9 \text{ K}$$

$$H_c = 160 \text{ kA/m} \quad (B_c = \mu_0 H_c = 0.2 \text{ T})$$

$$\text{condensation energy} = \mu_0 \frac{H_c^2}{2} = 16.5 \text{ kJ/m}^3$$

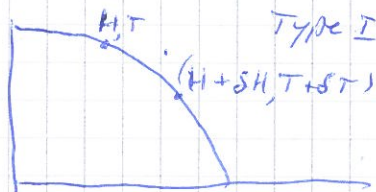
Nb: BCC xtal, unit cell 3.3 Å

⇒ condensation energy  $\approx 2 \text{ meV} / \text{atom}$ .

Could be surprising,  $\left. \begin{array}{l} kT_c = 0.78 \text{ meV for Nb} \\ E_F = 5.3 \text{ eV for Nb} \end{array} \right\}$

from BCS:  $E_{\text{cond}} \sim (k_B T_c)^2 \cdot g(E_F)$   $1 \text{ K} \approx 86.2 \text{ meV}$

Entropy change:



everywhere on  $H_c(T)$ :  $G_N = G_S$ .

$$\text{or } \delta G_N = \delta G_S$$

$$-S_S dT - \mu_0 V M_S dH = -S_N dT - \mu_0 V M_N dH$$

normal state:  $M_N = 0$ .

supercond. state:  $M_S = -H$ .

$$-S_S dT - \mu_0 V H dH = -S_N dT$$

$$(S_S - S_N) dT = -\mu_0 V H dH$$

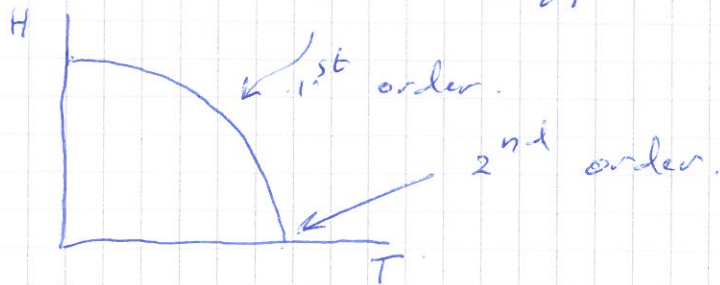
$$(S_S - S_N) = \mu_0 V H_c \frac{dH_c}{dT}$$



So phase transition has latent heat.

$$L = T \Delta S = T (S_M - S_S)$$

$$= -\mu_0 T H_c \frac{dH_c}{dT}$$



(Clausius - Clapeyron ~~and~~ gas:  $L = VT \frac{dP}{dT}$ )

$\swarrow$   
 vapor-liquid line  
 $V \rightarrow -\mu_0 M = -\mu_0 H_c$   
 $P \rightarrow H_c$

$\Rightarrow$  entropy from  $H_c(T)$ . !!

### Ginzberg - Landau theory

central idea (Landau): order parameter (i.e.  $M$  below  $T_c$  in magnet)

$\rightarrow$  macroscopic wavefunction

GL theory: complex parameter  $\psi$

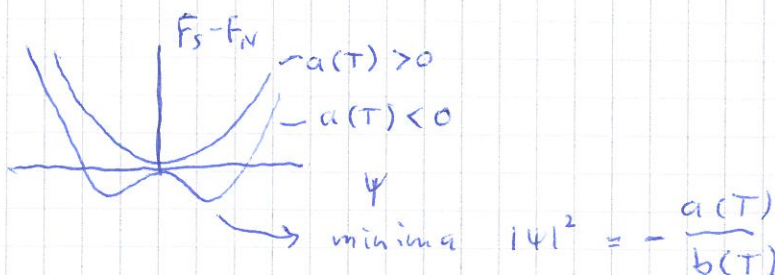
such that  $\begin{cases} \psi = 0 & T > T_c \\ \psi \neq 0 & T < T_c \end{cases}$

free energy  $f(T) = F_M(T) + a(T)|\psi|^2 + b(T)|\psi|^4 + \dots$

-  $b > 0$  otherwise no minimum.

$F_S(T)$ : - real (is energy).

- differentiable near  $\psi = 0$  for  $\psi$  and  $\psi^*$



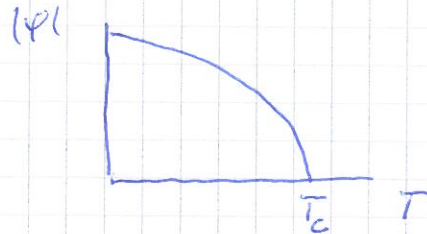
near  $T_c$  Taylor expansion.

$\Rightarrow$  since phase transition, where  $a$  should change sign.

$a(T) = a + \alpha \cdot (T - T_c) + \dots$

$b(T) = \beta + \dots$

minim.  $F \Rightarrow |\psi| = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right)^{1/2} (T_c - T)^{1/2} \quad T < T_c$   
 $= 0 \quad T > T_c$



$\psi$  complex: at  $\psi = |\psi| e^{i\phi}$

at  $T_c$ :  $\phi$  assumes value.

(Like  $M$  takes  $\pm$  in ferromagnet)

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we also know:  $F_S(T) - F_N(T) = -\frac{\alpha^2 (T - T_c)^2}{2\beta} = -\mu_0 \frac{H_c^2}{2}$

or  $H_c = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \beta}} (T_c - T)$

entropy

From free energy:  $S = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}$

$\Rightarrow S_S(T) - S_N(T) = -\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} (T_c - T)$  : linear in  $T$

No discontinuity in  $S \Rightarrow$  2<sup>nd</sup> order p.T.

heat cap.

$C_V = T \frac{dS}{dT}$

$C_{V_S} - C_{V_N} = \begin{cases} T \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} & T < T_c \\ 0 & T > T_c \end{cases}$

discontinuity  $\Delta C_V = T_c \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta}$   
 in  $C_V$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  2<sup>nd</sup> order PT

