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## Introduction to quantum turbulence

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# Turbulence - grand-challenge problem of our time, profound, difficult and important in a large variety of applications

A long history.....

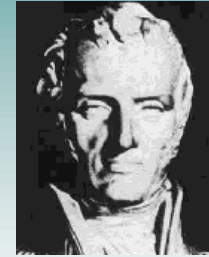


Leonardo da Vinci

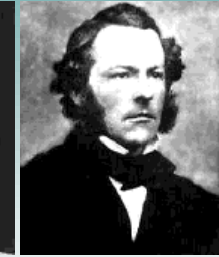


Leonard Euler

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (u \nabla) u + \nabla p = 0$$



Claude Louis Marie  
Henri Navier



George Gabriel  
Stokes

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (u \nabla) u + \nabla p = \nu \nabla^2 u$$



Osborne Reynolds

$$Re = \frac{\text{[ ]}}{\text{[ ]}}$$



Andrey Nikolaevich  
Kolmogorov

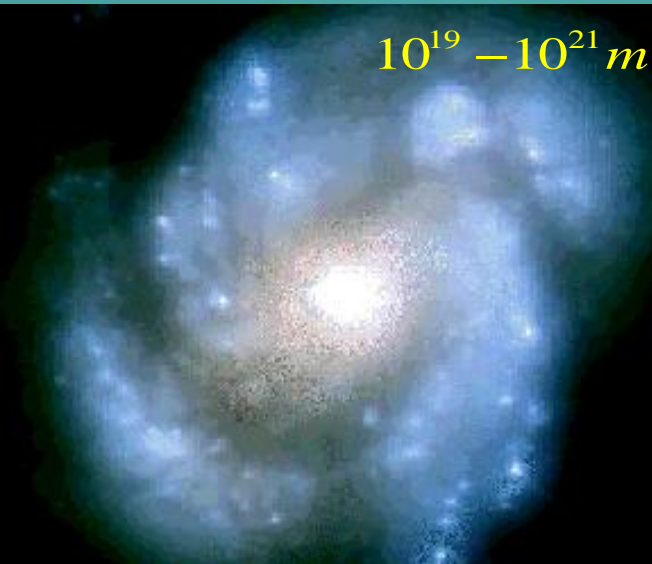
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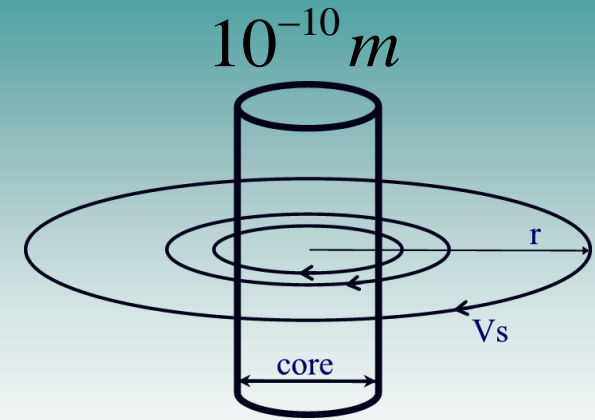
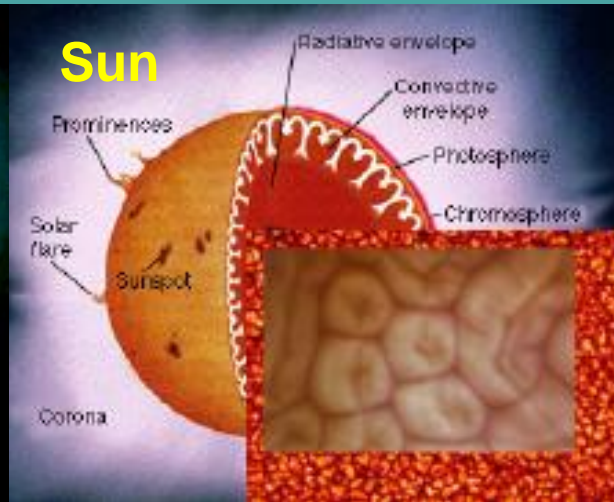
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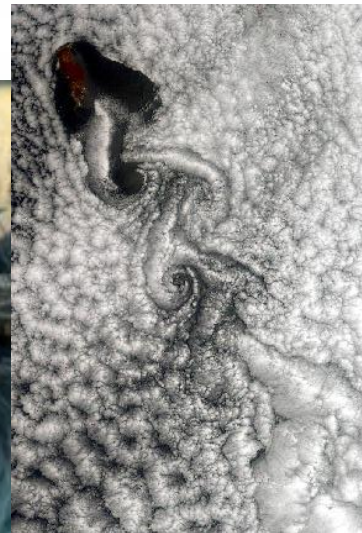
# Characteristic length scales in turbulence



M100 Galaxy from the Hubble Space Telescope



Quantized vortex in He II



# Quantum turbulence occurs in quantum fluids

- **Quantum fluids** are so called because their physical properties cannot be explained by classical physics, they depend on quantum physics
- **Quantum fluids** (such as two stable isotopes of liquid helium at very low temperature) display **superfluidity**
- **Quantum turbulence** is concerned with **turbulence in a superfluid**: in a fluid in which flow is subject to severe quantum restrictions.
- **Quantum turbulence** can be defined loosely as the most general way of motion of a quantum fluid displaying superfluidity, that involves dynamical motion of tangles of thin quantized vortex lines
- **Low temperature physics**, born on July 10, 1908 (the day of liquefaction of helium at 4.2 K) traditionally studies the properties of quantum fluids

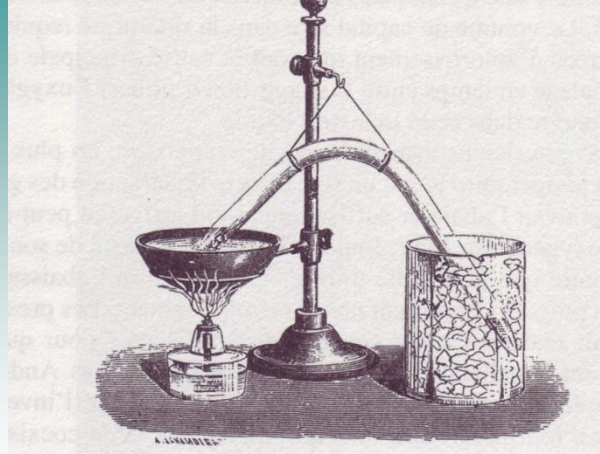
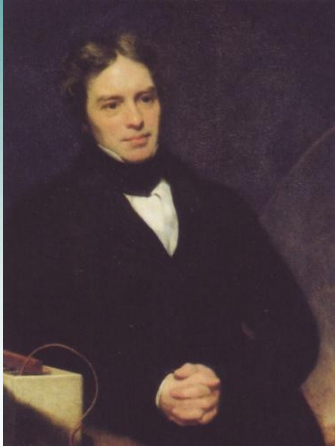
Low Temperature Physics, Cryogenics ----

Some basic facts....



# Pre-history of helium liquefaction

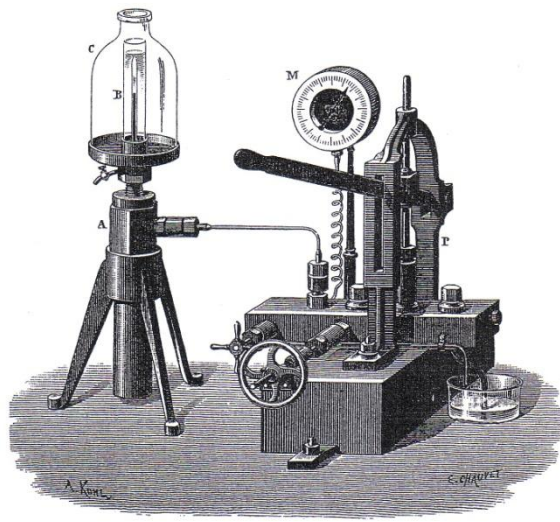
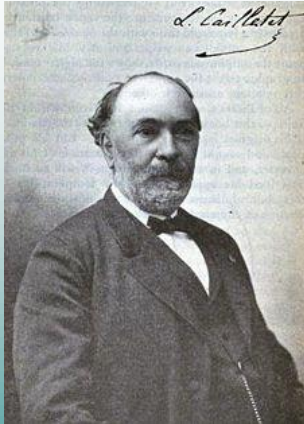
Michael Faraday (1791 – 1867)



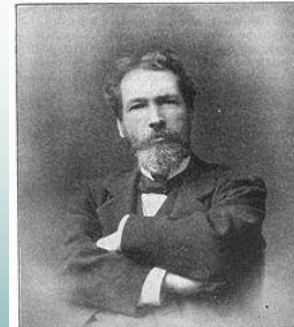
chlorine,  
ammonia,  
carbon  
dioxide...

## 1877 – liquefaction of oxygen

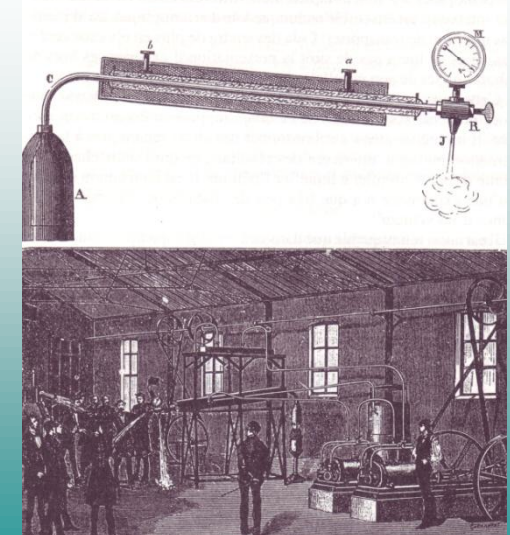
Louis – Paul Cailletet (1832 – 1913)



Raoul – Pierre Pictet (1846 – 1929)



*Raoul Pictet*

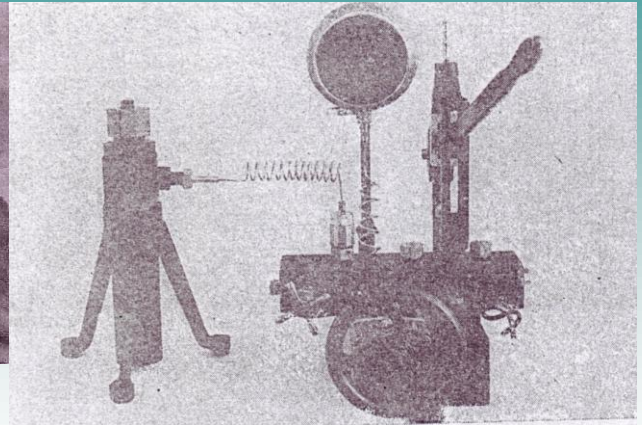
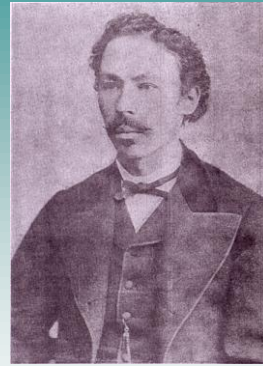
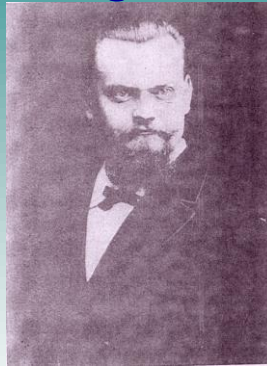


# 1883 liquefaction of nitrogen

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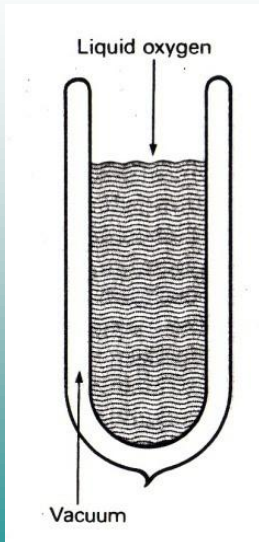
Zygmund Wróblewski (1845 – 1888)

Karol Olszewski (1846 – 1915)

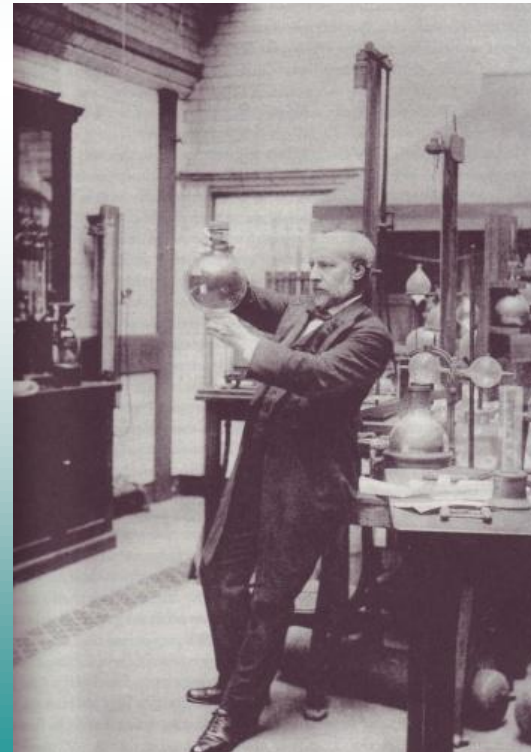


# 1898 liquefaction of hydrogen

James Dewar (1842 – 1923)



1892 – invented vacuum –  
insulated vessels  
- Dewar flask





July 10., 1908

Helium liquified in Leiden - 4,2 K

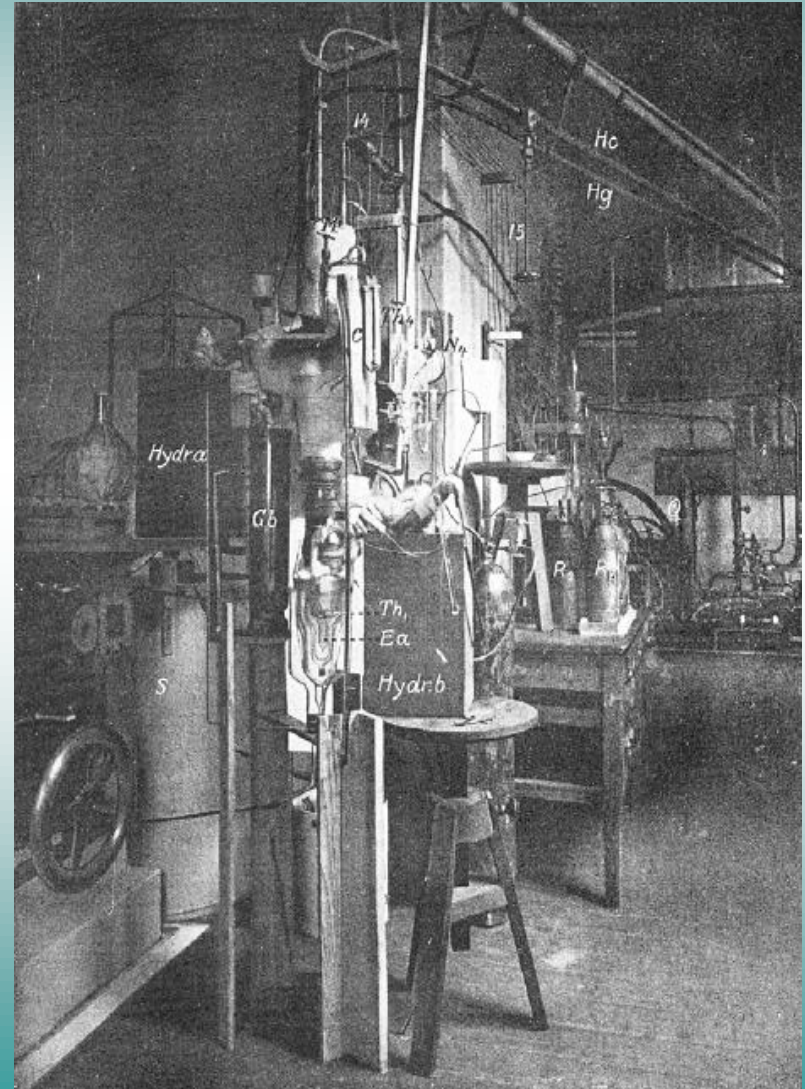
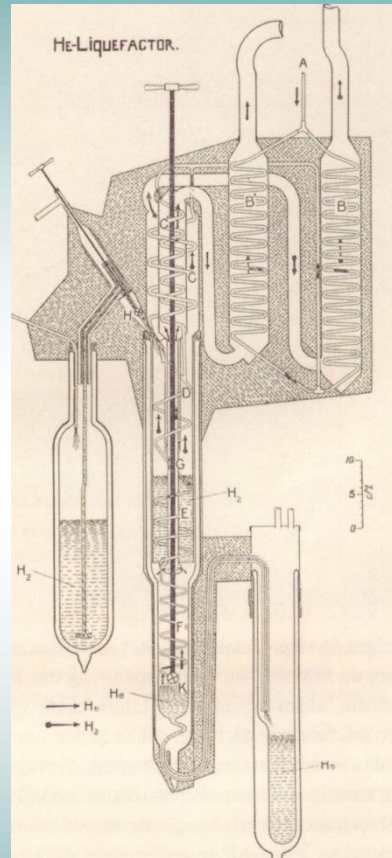
Beginning of low temperature physics



Heike Kamerlingh-Onnes  
1853 – 1926 Leiden

**Nobel prize 1913**

"for his investigations on the properties of matter at low temperatures which led, inter alia, to the production of liquid helium"



# Helium



$^4\text{He}$

2 protons + 2 neutrons

2 electrons

**Boson**

**Bose – Einstein  
quantum statistics**

Alkali atoms:

$^{87}\text{Rb}, ^{85}\text{Rb}, ^{23}\text{Na}, ^7\text{Li},$   
 $+^1\text{H}$



$^3\text{He}$

2 protons + 1 neutron

2 electrons

**Fermion**

**Pauli principle, Fermi- Dirac  
quantum statistics**

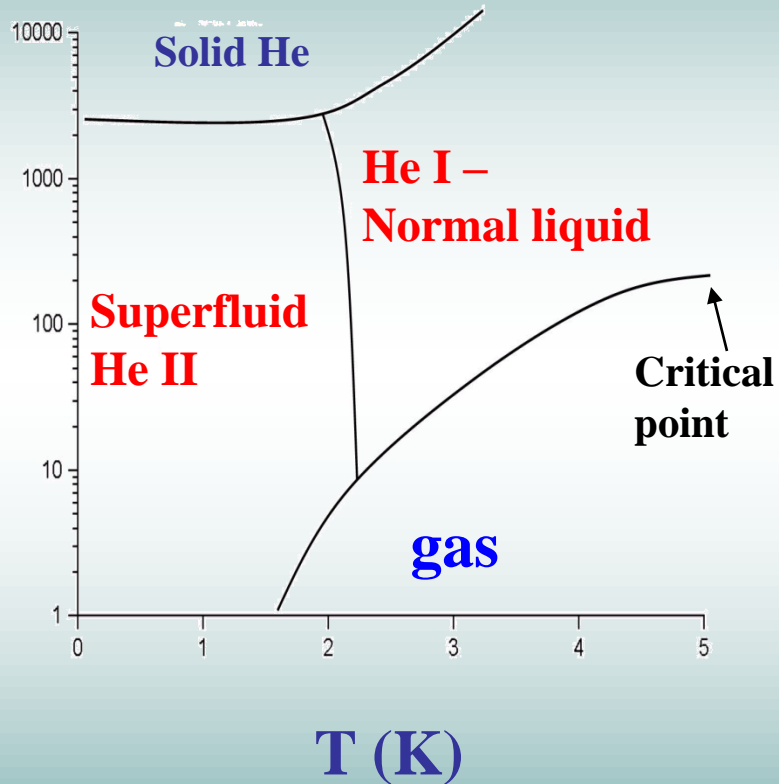
$^6\text{Li}, ^{40}\text{K},$  **electrons in metals**

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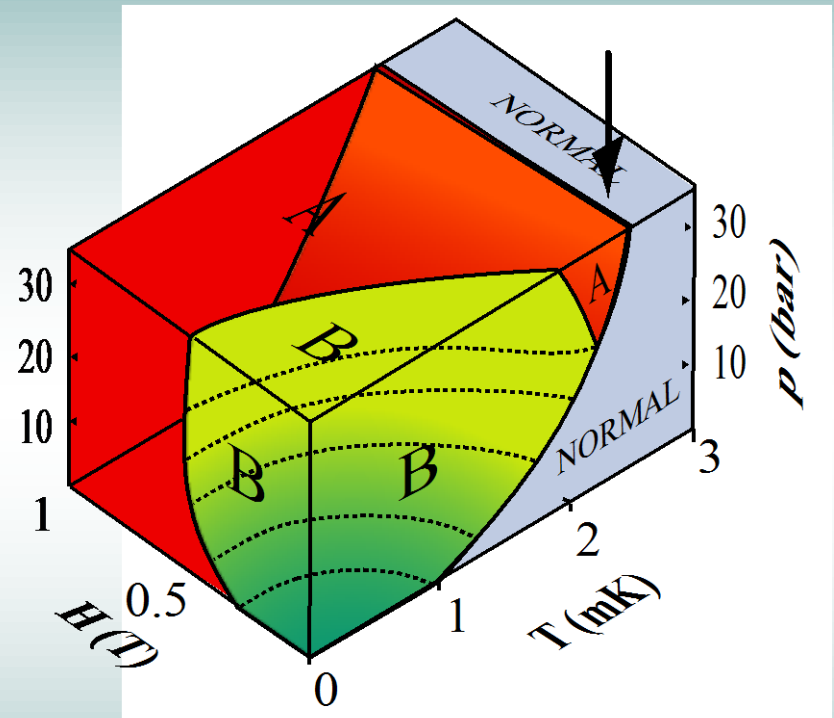
**At high temperature (300 K) both BE and FD**  $\longrightarrow$  **Boltzmann statistics**  
**Both helium isotops behave almost as an ideal gas**



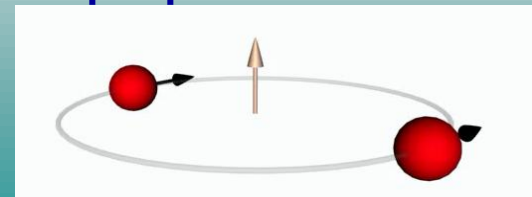
# Phase diagram - $^4\text{He}$



# Phase diagram - $^3\text{He}$



Cooper pair of  $^3\text{He}$  atoms






# Measures of turbulence intensity

**Reynolds number**  $Re = \frac{UL}{\nu}$   
For isothermal flows

**Rayleigh number**  $Ra = \frac{g\alpha\Delta TL^3}{\nu\kappa}$   
for thermally driven flows in a gravitational field

	<b>Ra</b>	<b>Re</b>
Sun	$10^{21}$	$10^{13}$
Ocean	$10^{20}$	$10^9$
Atmosphere	$10^{17}$	$10^9$
Navy (ship)		$10^9$
Aerospace (aircraft)		$10^8$ - $10^9$

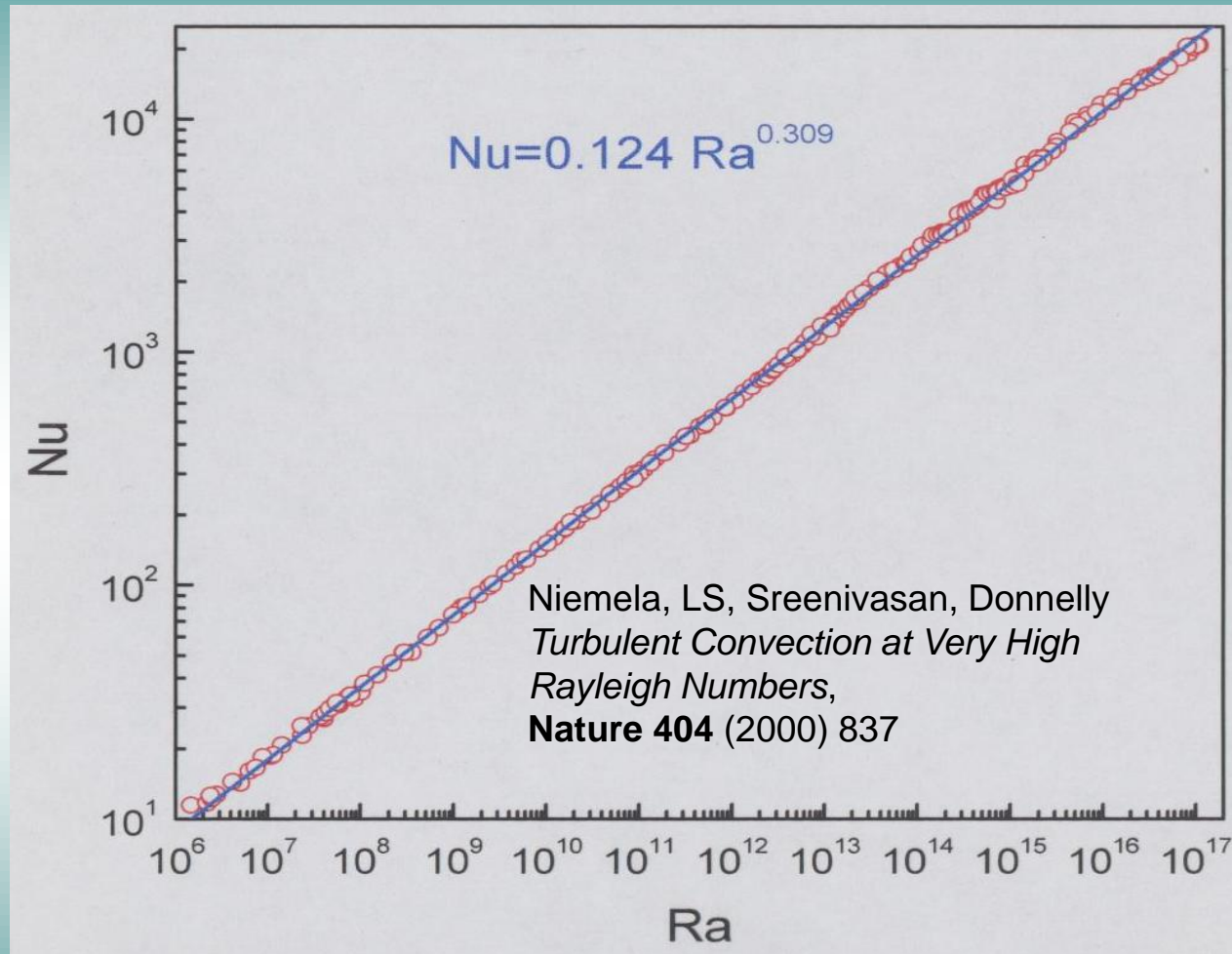
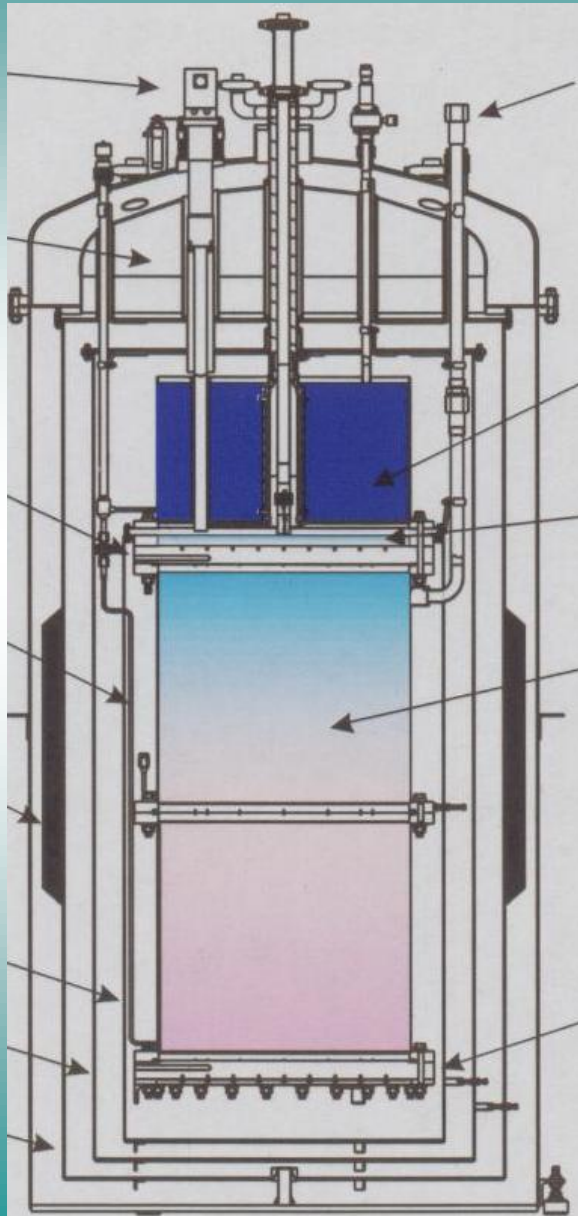
	<b>T (p)</b>	<b><math>\nu</math> (cm<sup>2</sup>/s)</b>	<b><math>\alpha/\nu\kappa</math></b>
<b>air</b>	20 C	0,15	0,122
<b>water</b>	20 C	$1,004 \times 10^{-2}$	14,4
<b>Normal 3He</b>	above Tc	~ 1, olive oil	
<b>Normal fluid of 3He B</b>	around 0.6 Tc	~ 0.2, air	
 <b>Helium I</b>	2,25 K (SVP)	$1,96 \times 10^{-4}$	$3,25 \times 10^5$
<b>Helium II</b>	1,8 K (SVP)	$9,01 \times 10^{-5}$	X
 <b>He-gas</b>	5,5 K (2,8 bar)	$3,21 \times 10^{-4}$	 $1,41 \times 10^8$

## •Cryogenic He Gas, and normal liquid He I

probably the best working fluids with tuneable properties (in situ) for the controlled, laboratory high Re and Ra turbulence experiments



# Oregon/Trieste Cryogenic turbulent convection cryostat



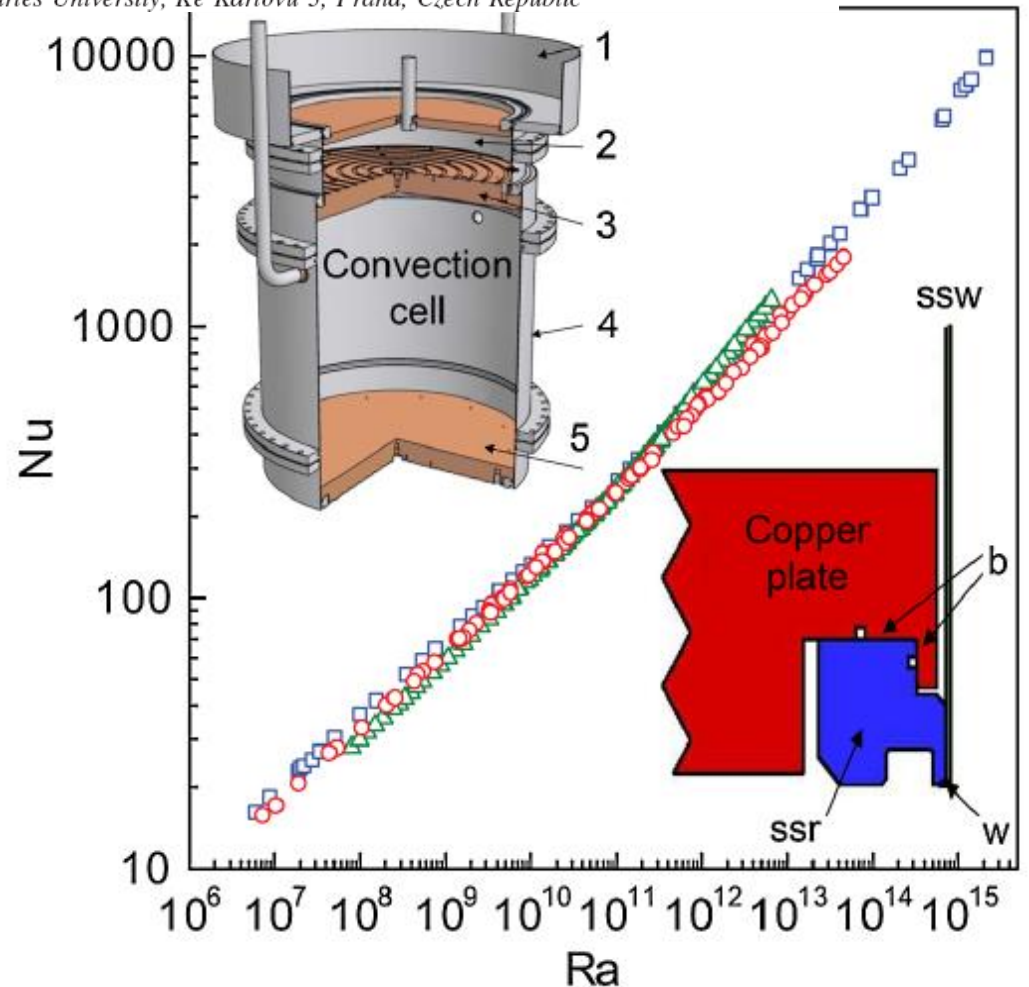
Heat transfer efficiency in cryogenic turbulent convection

## Helium cryostat for experimental study of natural turbulent convection

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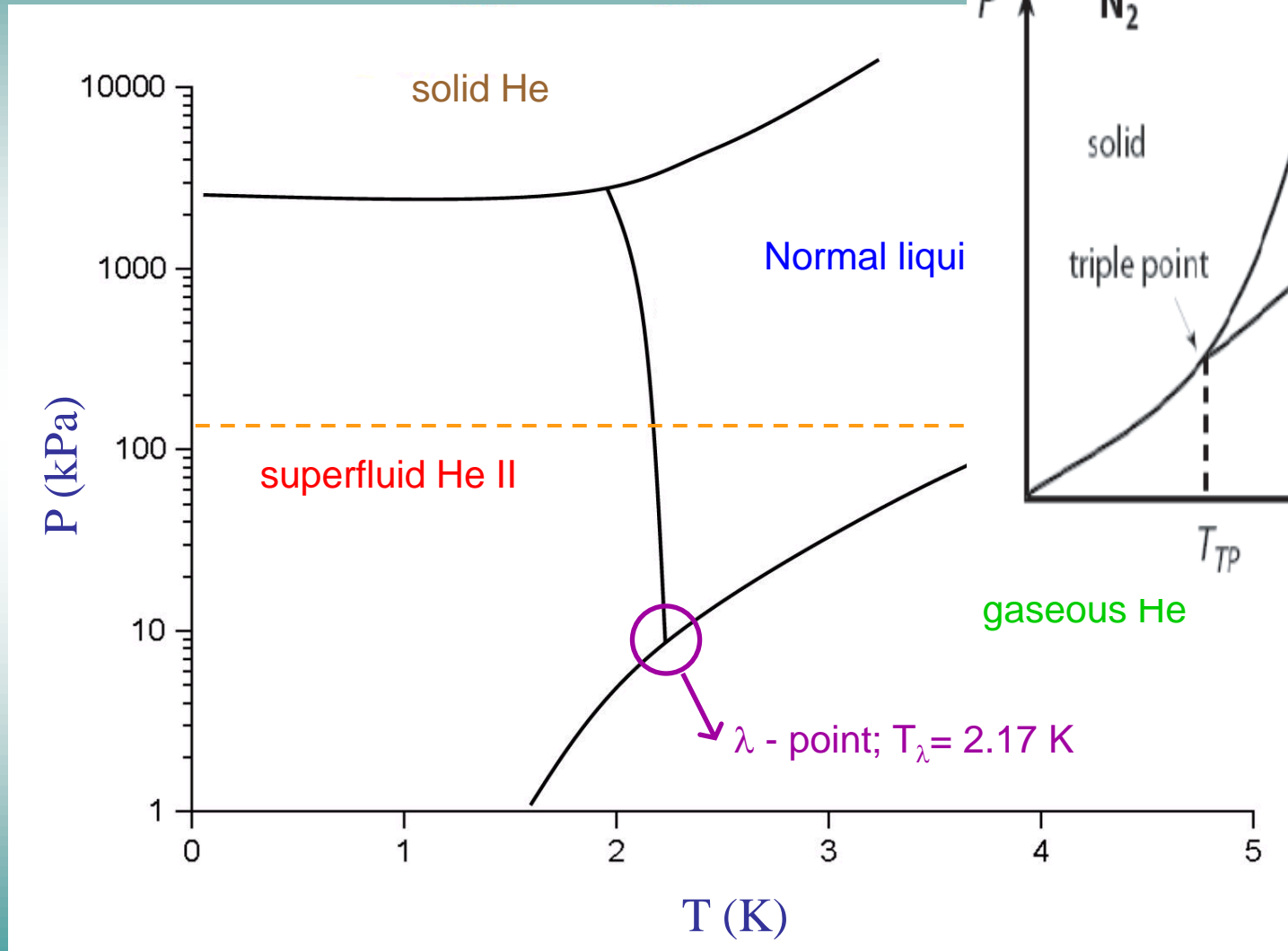
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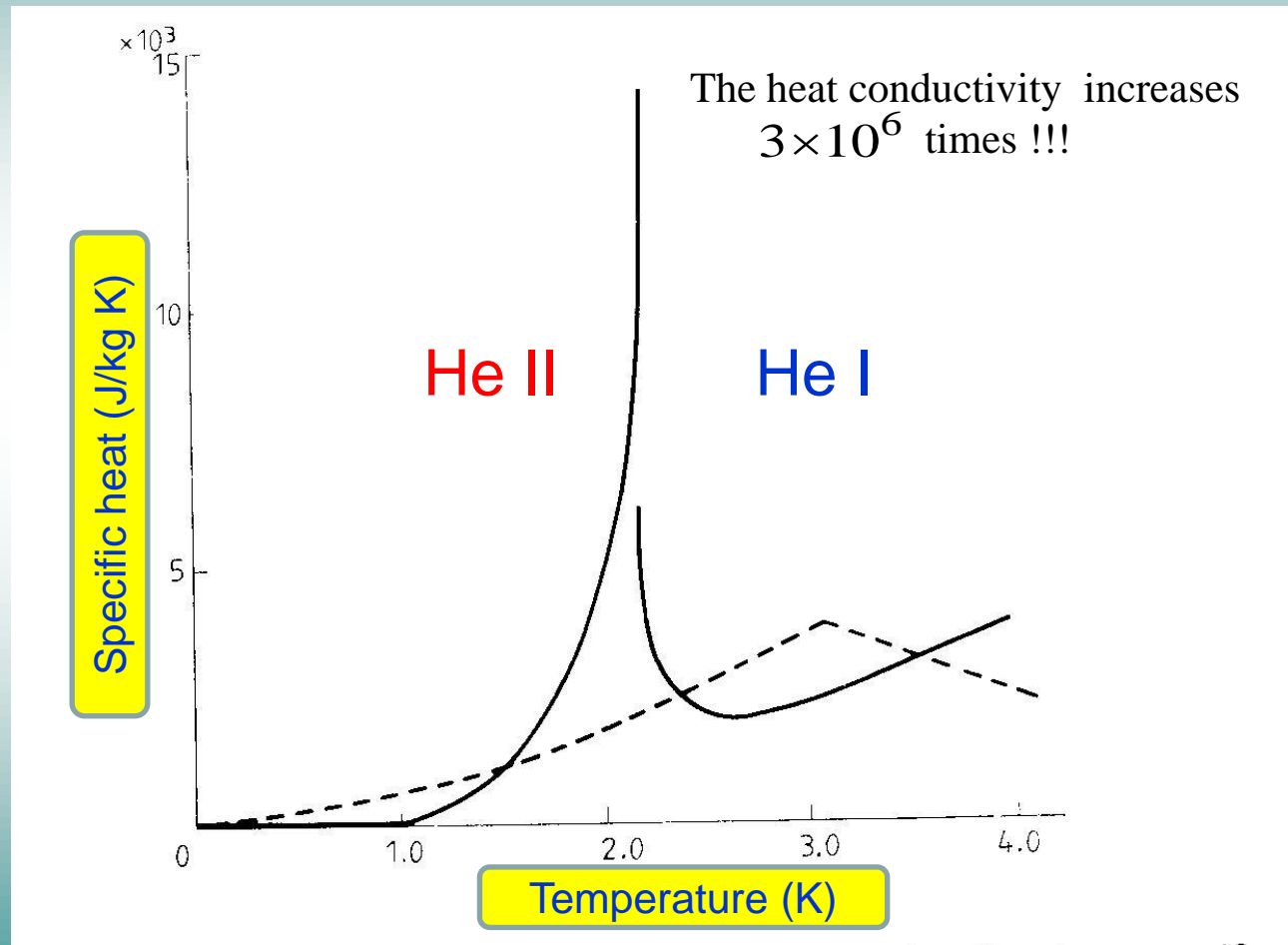
# The first known superfluid: $^4\text{He}$



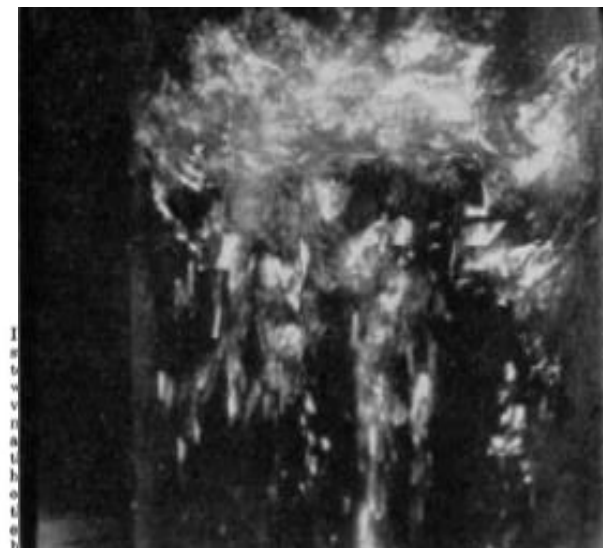
# Various phases of liquid helium=quantum fluids

To explain its physical properties quantum mechanics is needed

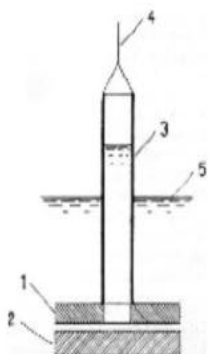
**Lambda transition**-- thanks to the characteristic shape of the temperature dependence of the specific heat – liquid helium along the saturated vapour curve



Dashed line – theoretical dependence of the specific heat for the ideal Bose gas



The important fact that liquid specific density  $\rho$  of about 0.15, not from that of an ordinary fluid, while is very small comparable to that of kinematic viscosity  $\nu = \mu/\rho$  extra. Consequently when the liquid is in ordinary viscosimeter, the Reynolds become very high, while in order to laminar, especially in the method of, namely, the damping of an oscillation Reynolds number must be kept very requirement was not fulfilled in the experiments, and the deduced value of viscosity to turbulent motion, and consequently by any amount than the real value.



flat, the gap between them being adjustable by mica distance pieces. The upper disk, 1, was 3 cm. in diameter with a central hole of 1.5 cm. diameter, over which a glass tube (3) was fixed. Lowering and raising this plunger in the liquid helium by means of the thread (4), the level of the liquid column in the



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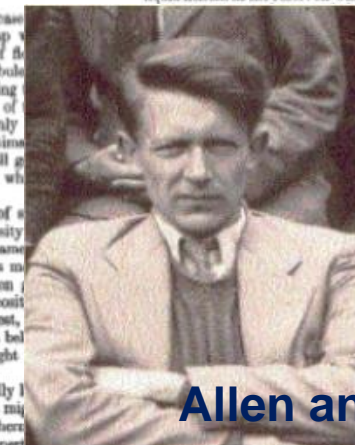
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100 times smaller measure.

in the case of the gap velocity of flow has been turbulent, assuming a value of  $\nu$  still only half this estimate, with a small gap value for which the hope of the viscosity limit (name since it is made of hydrogen, at least viscosity to suggest, the helium being which might

abnormally I experiments might be high thermal values property. It is evidently inevitably set up

P. KAPITZA.



**Allen and Misener**

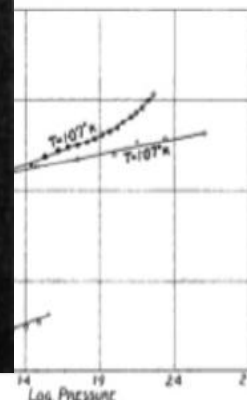
The following facts are evident:

- The velocity of flow,  $q$ , changes only slightly for large changes in pressure head,  $p$ . For the smaller capillary, the relation is approximately  $p \propto q^2$ , but at the lowest velocities an even higher power seems indicated.
- The velocity of flow, for given pressure head and temperature, changes only slightly with a change of cross-section area of the order of  $10^3$ .
- The velocity of flow, for given pressure head and given cross-section, changes by about a factor of 16 with a change of temperature from  $1.07^\circ \text{K}$ . to  $2.17^\circ \text{K}$ .
- With the larger capillary and slightly higher velocities of flow, the pressure-velocity relation is approximately  $p \propto q^2$ , with the power of  $q$  decreasing as the velocity is increased.



the thin capillary so that the level of liquid helium in the reservoir was a

pose of calculating a possible upper viscosity, we assume the formula for it is,  $p \propto q$ , we obtain the value in a. units. This agrees with the one by Kapitza who, using velocities probably higher than ours, has obtained



er limit to the viscosity

however, in which the dependent of pressure, as laminar or even non-laminar, give a value of such meaning. It may helium II slips over the case any flow method the 'viscous drag' of

that the high thermal might be explained by that the flow velocity heat input over the it in the Allen, Peierls at  $10^4 \text{ cm./sec.}$  On the velocity produced by are difference along the will not be likely to be seems, therefore, that cannot account for an thermal conductivity

which has been observed for helium II.

J. F. ALLEN.  
A. D. MISENER.

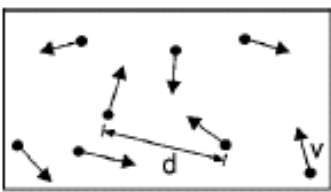
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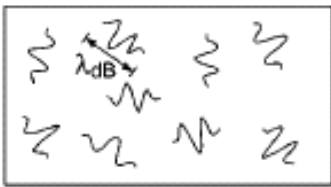
Some Experiments at Radio Frequencies on  
Supraconductors

MEASUREMENTS were made on an extruded tin wire carrying an alternating current of a frequency of about 200 kilocycles per second superposed upon a direct current. The resulting magnetic field at the surface of the wire was thus caused to pulsate cyclically.





**High Temperature T:**  
thermal velocity  $v$   
density  $d^{-3}$   
"Billiard balls"

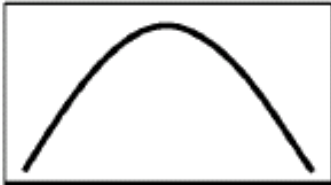


**Low Temperature T:**  
De Broglie wavelength  
 $\lambda_{dB} = h/mv \propto T^{-1/2}$   
"Wave packets"



**T=T<sub>C</sub>:**  
**BEC**

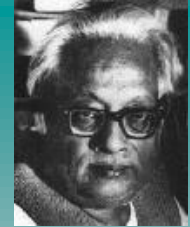
$\lambda_{dB} = d$   
"Matter wave overlap"



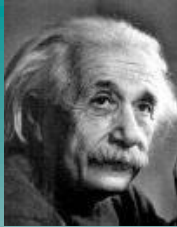
**T=0:**  
**Pure Bose condensate**  
"Giant matter wave"

# Ideal Bose gas

Bose-Einstein quantum statistics



S. Bose



A. Einstein

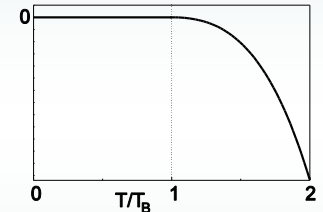
$$n_k = \frac{1}{\exp\left\{\frac{\epsilon_k - \mu}{kT}\right\} - 1}$$

calibration

$$N = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} n_k$$

A. Einstein 1924: (in 3D momentum space) below certain condensation temperature, macroscopically large number of particles will occupy the lowest energy state

$$N = N_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} n_k = N_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\exp\left\{\frac{\epsilon_k - \mu}{kT}\right\} - 1}$$



$$N = N_0 + \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{p^2}{\exp\left\{\frac{p^2}{2m_{He}} / kT_B\right\} - 1} dp = \frac{m_{He} kT_B}{2\pi^2 \hbar^3} \sqrt{2m_{He} kT_B} \int \frac{\sqrt{z} dz}{e^z - 1}$$

null

$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \xi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

Rieman f-n

$$T_B = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m_{He}k} \left( \frac{N}{\xi(3/2)} \right)^{2/3} \cong 3.15K$$



F. London

**Experiment – He II**

$$T_{\lambda} \cong 2.176 \text{ K}$$

# Quantum mechanical description of He II

**Macroscopic wave function**

$$\Psi = \sqrt{\rho_s} \exp\{i\varphi(r,t)\}$$

assuming incompressible flow

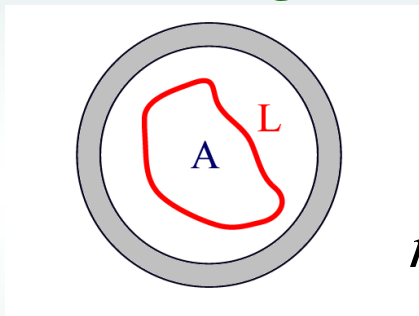
$$\hat{p} = i\hbar\nabla \longrightarrow \mathbf{v}_s = \frac{\hbar}{m_4} \nabla\varphi \longrightarrow \text{curl } \mathbf{v}_s = 0 \quad \text{div } \mathbf{v}_s = 0$$

Maxwell's equations *in vacuo* for magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  are of the same form exactly:  $\text{div } \mathbf{B} = 0$ ;  $\text{curl } \mathbf{B} = 0$ .

There is a striking and deep similarity between **superfluidity and electromagnetism !!!**

**Circulation –singly connected region**

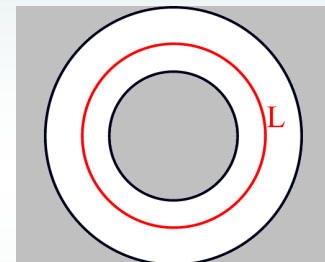
$$\Gamma = \oint_L \mathbf{v}_s d\ell = 0$$



**Circulation- multiply connected region**

$$\Gamma = \oint_L \mathbf{v}_s d\ell = n \frac{h}{m_4} = n\kappa$$

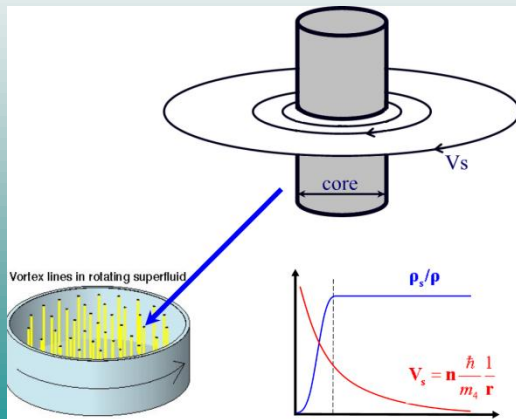
$$\kappa \cong 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2 / \text{s}$$



**Quantized vortices in He II**

**Rotating bucket of He II**

-thanks to the existence of rectilinear vortex lines  
He II mimics solid body rotation

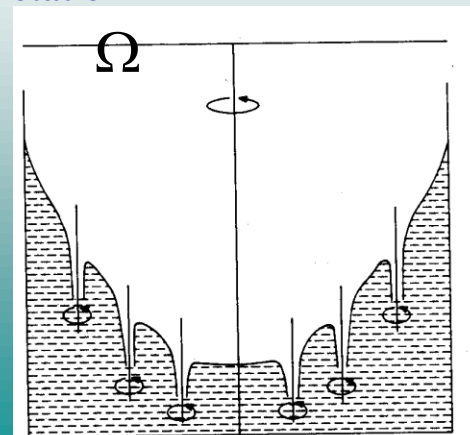


**vorticity**

$$\omega_N = 2\Omega \cong \langle \omega_S \rangle \cong \kappa L$$

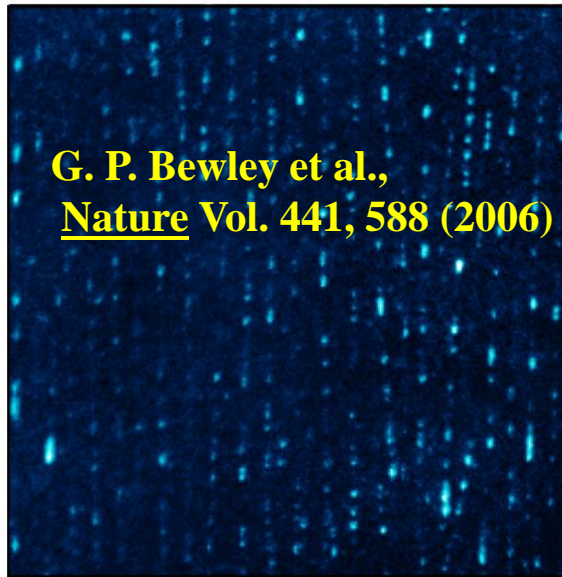
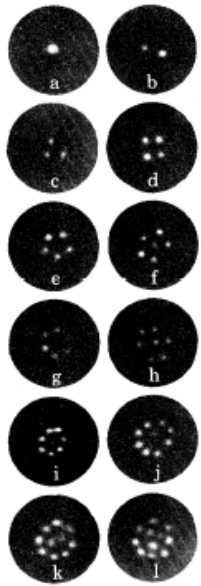
the superfluid velocity field is given by the Biot-Savart law where the integration takes place along all vortex lines.

$$\mathbf{v}_s(\mathbf{r}_0) = \frac{\kappa}{4\pi} \int \frac{(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0) \times d\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0|^3},$$



# Images of quantized vortices in low temperature condensates

Rotating He-II  
Berkeley 1979



G. P. Bewley et al.,  
Nature Vol. 441, 588 (2006)

**Kelvin waves**



Dispersion relation

$$\omega = \frac{\kappa k^2}{4\pi} \ln\left(\frac{1}{k\xi}\right)$$

## Vortex nucleation

• **Intrinsic**

Moving ions

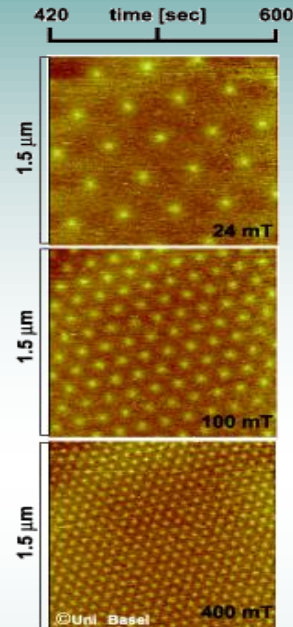
Kibble-Zurek scenario

• **Extrinsic**

From existing seeds -  
remnant vortices

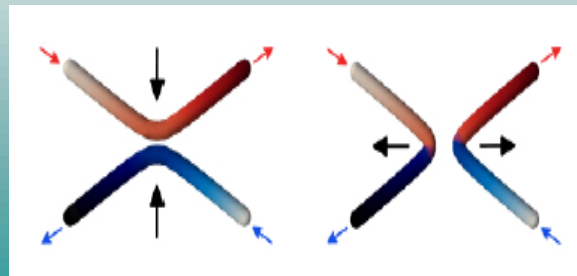


Superconductor  
NbSe<sub>2</sub>  
STM, Darmstadt

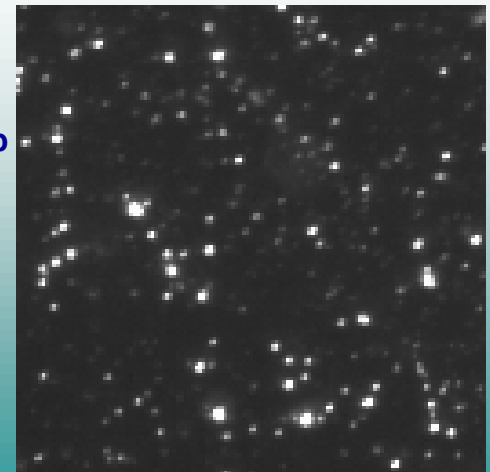
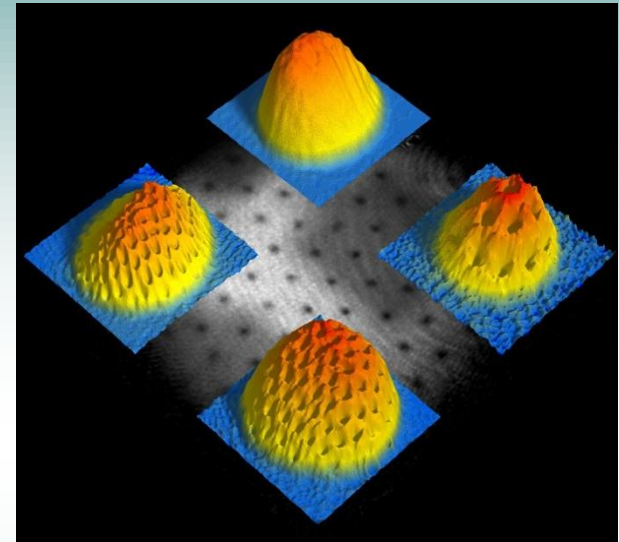


**Reconnections**

are allowed, important and frequent  
First visualized by the Maryland group



BEC  
Vortex lattices  
at MIT, 2001

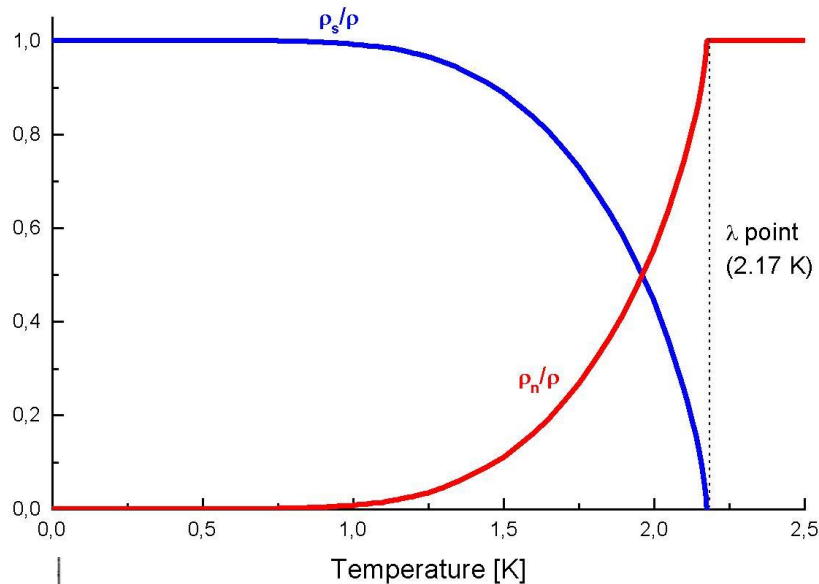




# Two-fluid model (Landau)



L.D. Landau L. Tizsa



## „First sound“

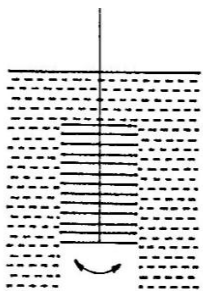
$$u = u_1; s' = 0; \rho' \neq 0; \nabla T = 0; \vec{v}_n = \vec{v}_s$$

Normal sound, i.e. density waves, propagates both in He II and in He I

## „Second sound“

$$u = u_2; s' \neq 0; \rho' = 0; \nabla p = 0; \rho_n \vec{v}_n = \rho_s \vec{v}_s$$

Entropy (temperature) wave at constant density; normal fluid and superfluid oscillating in antiphase. No analogy in classical liquids. A powerful tool to detect quantized vortices.



## Andronikashvili experiment

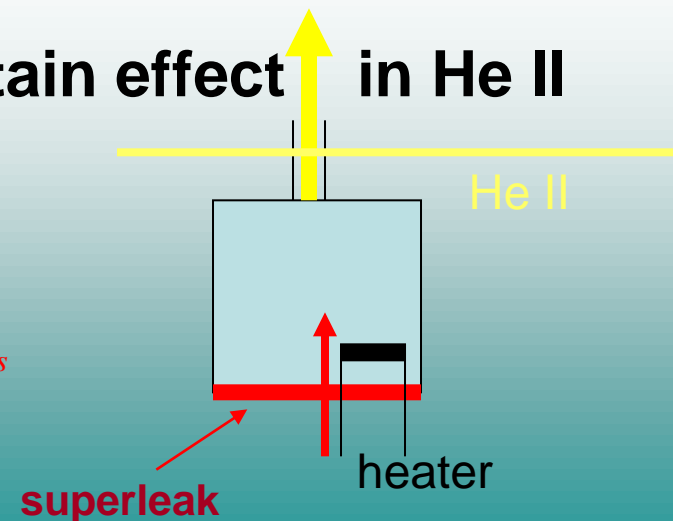
$$\rho_s \frac{D\mathbf{v}_s}{Dt} = -\frac{\rho_s}{\rho} \nabla p + \rho_s S \nabla T - \mathbf{F}_{ns}$$

$$\rho_n \frac{D\mathbf{v}_n}{Dt} = -\frac{\rho_n}{\rho} \nabla p - \rho_s S \nabla T + \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{v}_n + \mathbf{F}_{ns}$$

Mutual friction force  
 $L$  vortex line density

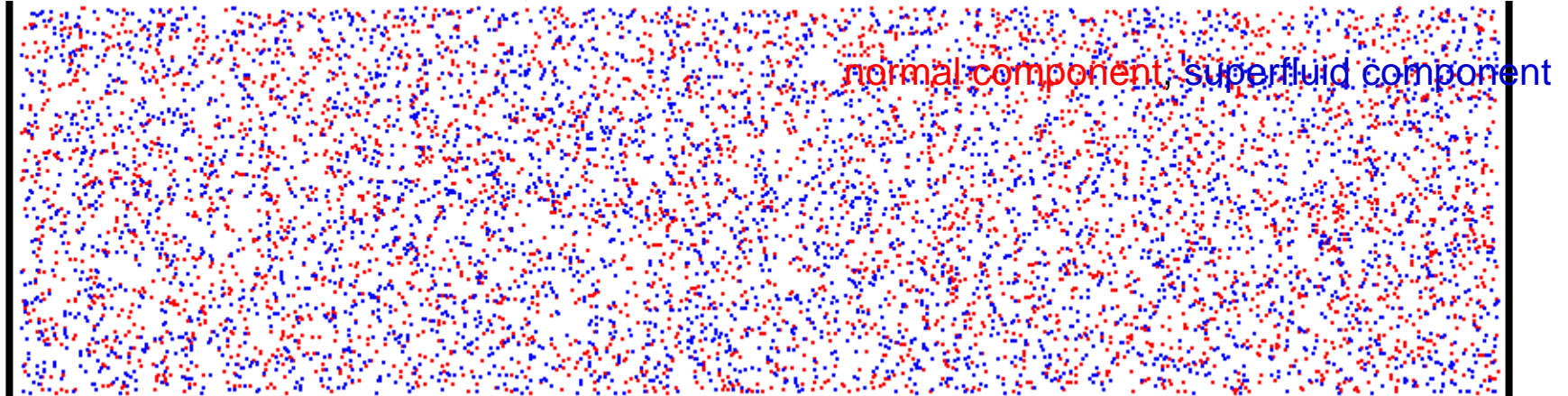
$$\mathbf{F}_{ns} = \alpha L |\mathbf{v}_s - \mathbf{v}_n|$$

## Fountain effect in He II

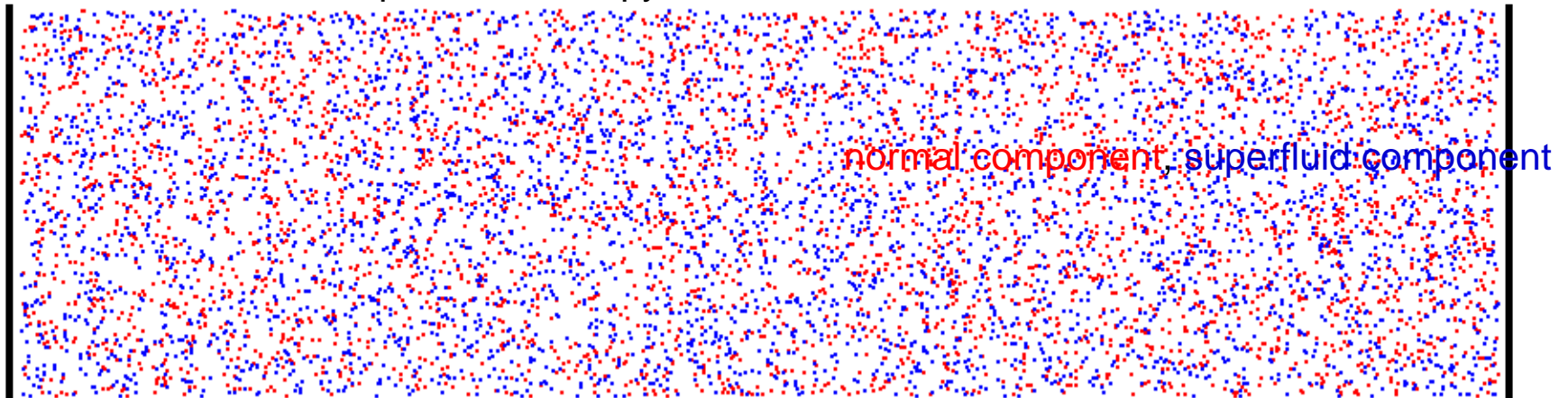


## He II: Sound modes

“First sound” = pressure/density wave



“Second sound” = temperature/entropy wave



Second sound is attenuated at quantized vortices – can measure vortex line density.

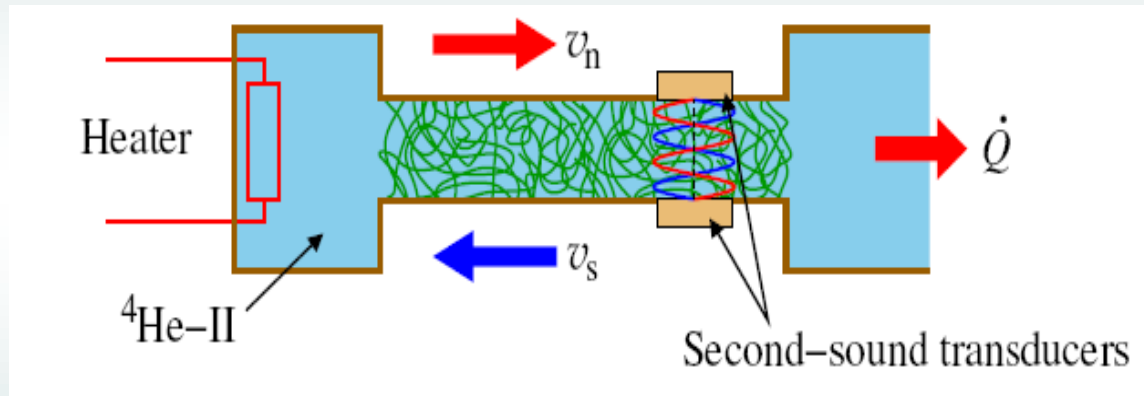
Second sound is overdamped in superfluid  $^3\text{He}$  phases



Historically, QT in He II was mentioned as a **theoretical possibility** by **R.P. Feynman**, who recognized that QT ought to take the form of a **random tangle of quantized vortices**.

„Application of quantum mechanics to liquid helium”, *Prog. in Low Temp. Phys.*, vol. 1, (1955)

## Experiment -thermal counterflow in He II- a form of motion peculiar to two-fluid superfluid hydrodynamics --no direct analogy in any ordinary viscous fluid



$$V_N \cong \frac{\dot{Q}}{AST\rho}$$

$$V_N \rho_N = V_S \rho_s$$



**W.F. (Joe) Vinen,**  
**60 years ago...**

W.F. Vinen, Proc. Roy. Soc. A240 114, (1957)  
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Experimental observation: quantized vortices attenuate second sound

$$L \propto \dot{Q}^2$$

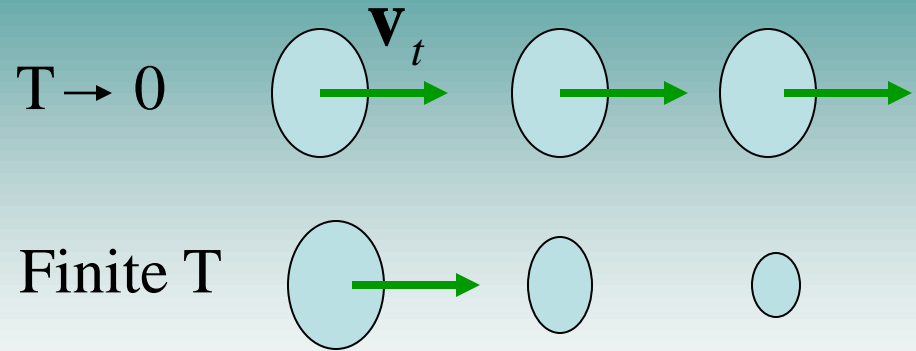


# Counterflow turbulence phenomenology (Vinen 1957)

Vortex ring



$$v_t = \frac{\kappa}{4\pi b} \left( \ln \frac{8b}{a} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \cong \frac{\kappa}{b}$$



In counterflow, though, if  $|\mathbf{v}_t| < |\mathbf{v}_n - \mathbf{v}_s| = V_{CF}$  rings with  $b > b_c$  expand

**Dimensional analysis and analogy with classical fluid dynamics leads to the Vinen equation:**

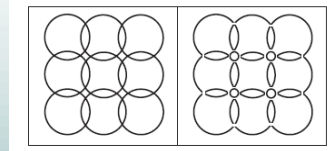
$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \underbrace{\chi_1 \frac{B}{2} \frac{\rho_n}{\rho} V_{CF} L^{3/2}}_{\text{production}} - \underbrace{\chi_2 \frac{\hbar}{m_4} L^2}_{\text{decay}}$$



**L – vortex line density**

**Reproduced by Schwarz (1988) – computer simulations**

**reconnections**



For steady  $V_{CF}$  there is a steady value of  $L$

*Early results reviewed by J.T. Tough*

**Turbulent states I, II, III**

**Decay of counterflow turbulence:**

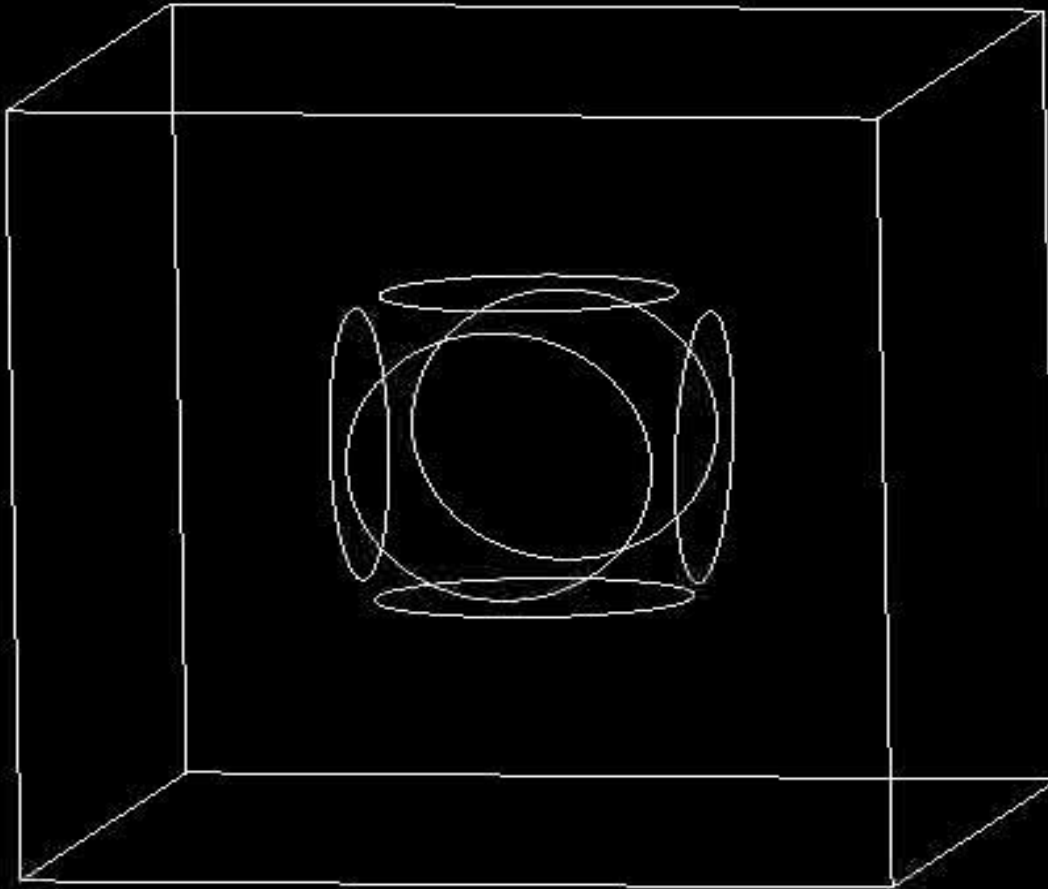
$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \chi_2 \frac{\hbar}{m_4} L^2 \longrightarrow L(t) \propto \frac{1}{t + t_{VO}}$$

**Numerous**

**experiments ???**

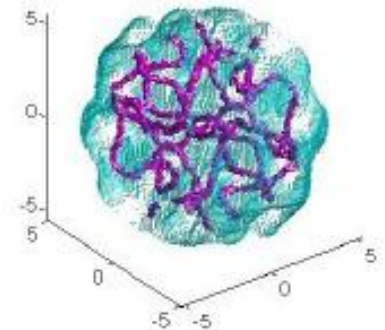
(Vinen, Schwarz, Milliken...)

# Counterflow tangle (courtesy of M. Tsubota) He II



channel (Eltsov  
& al 2014)

$^3\text{He-B}$



atomic BEC  
(White & al 2010)

# Working fluids for quantum turbulence

**$^4\text{He}$**

**$^3\text{He (B)}$**

**T**

**normal liquid He I**

Classical Navier-Stokes fluid of extremely low kinematic viscosity

**normal liquid  $^3\text{He}$**

Classical Navier-Stokes fluid of kinematic viscosity comparable with that of air

**Superfluid transition at  $T_c$**

**He II –**

normal fluid of extremely low kinematic viscosity

+

Inviscid superfluid

Circulation is quantized

$$\kappa = \frac{2\pi\hbar}{m_4} \approx 10^{-3} [\text{cm}^2 / \text{s}]$$

**a “mixture” of two fluids**

**superfluid  $^3\text{He B}$**

normal fluid of of kinematic viscosity comparable with that of air

+

Inviscid superfluid

Circulation is quantized

$$\kappa = \frac{2\pi\hbar}{2m_3} \approx 0.66 \times 10^{-3} [\text{cm}^2 / \text{s}]$$

**T  $\rightarrow$  0 limit**

**0**

Pure superfluid

Pure superfluid



# Classification scheme for QT

- I. pure superfluid turbulence  $^4\text{He}$  and  $^3\text{He B}$  in the zero  $T$  limit  
no normal fluid  
conceptually the simplest, experimentally the most difficult case
- II. pure superfluid turbulence in a stationary normal fluid  $^3\text{He B}$  at finite  $T$   
thick normal fluid provides a unique frame of reference  
mutual friction acts at all scales
- III. QT in  $^4\text{He}$  at finite  $T$  experimentally the simplest, conceptually the most difficult case  
both NF and SF may or may not become turbulent

Particular cases of interest:

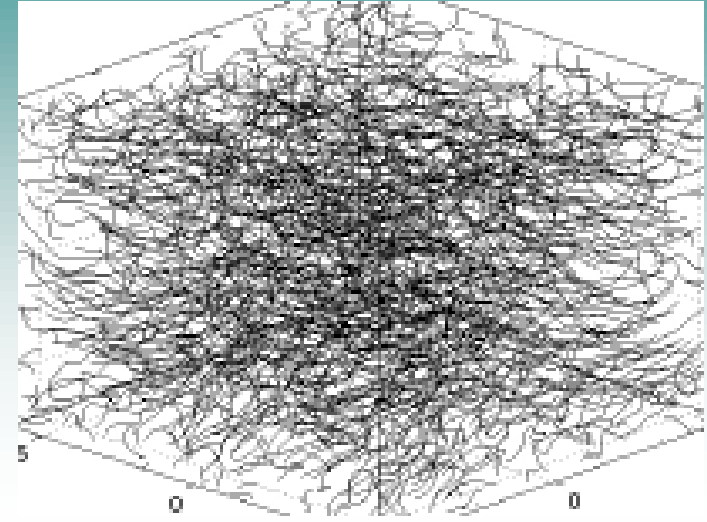
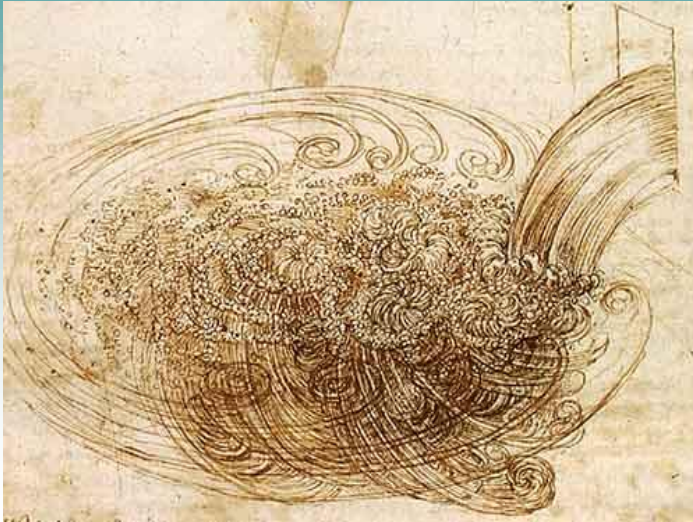
A  
counterflow QT

B  
co-flow QT

C  
QT in pure superflow

# Classical **versus** quantum **turbulence**

in the zero temperature limit



- Vortices are topologically unstable.
- It is difficult to identify them.
- Circulation differs from one vortex to another.

- Quantized vortices are topologically stable and all of them have the same circulation.
- Kelvin theorem is valid – circulation along a vortex tube is a conserved quantity.

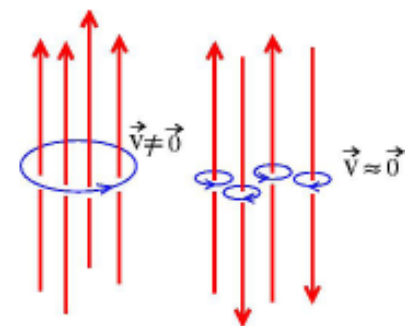
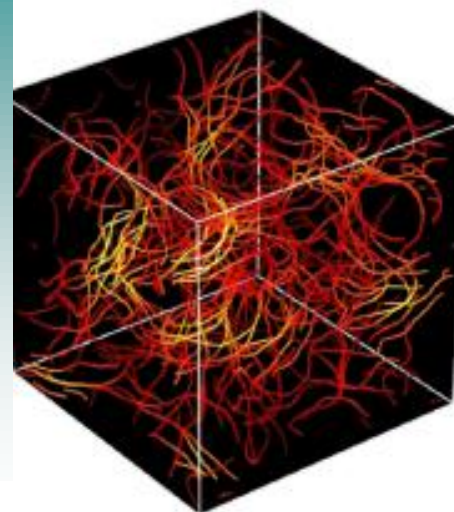
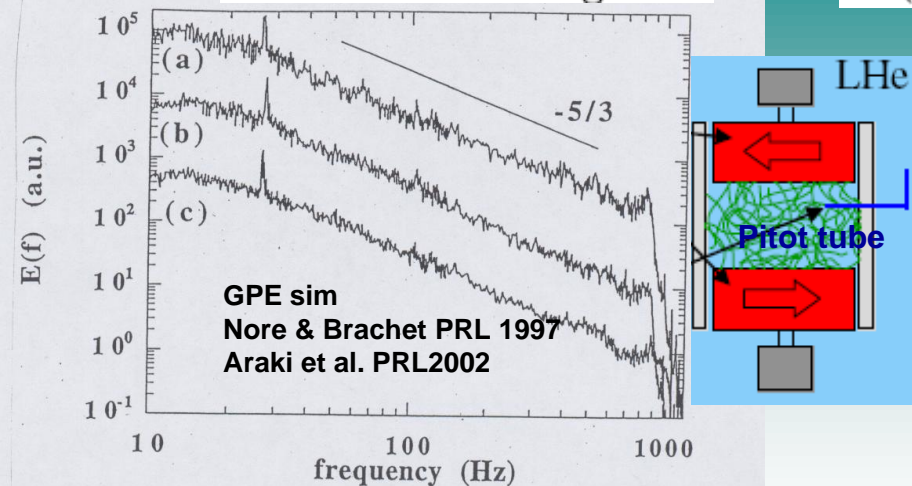
**Quantum turbulence ( $T \rightarrow 0$ ) is simpler than classical turbulence**

**It makes a prototype of turbulence and as such ought to help to better understand the phenomenon of fluid turbulence in general.**

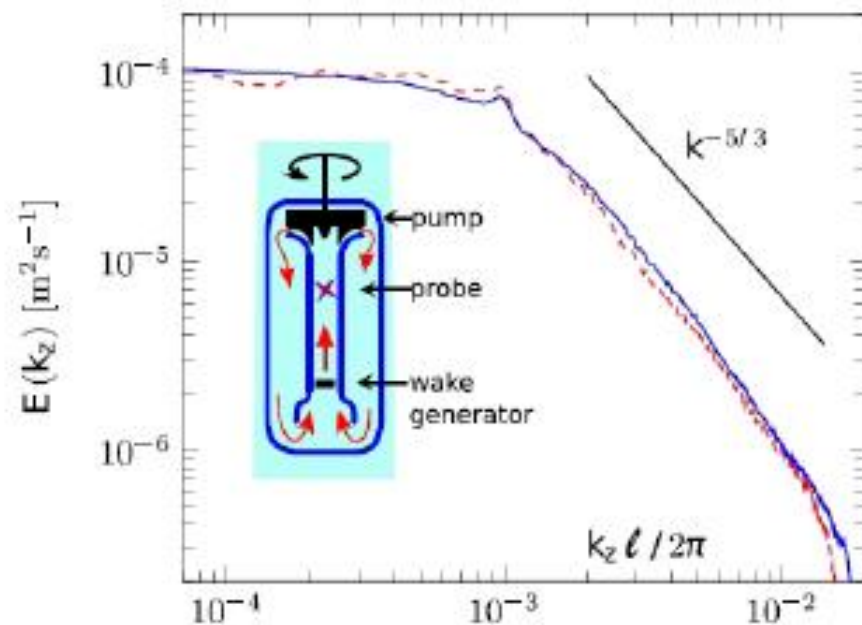
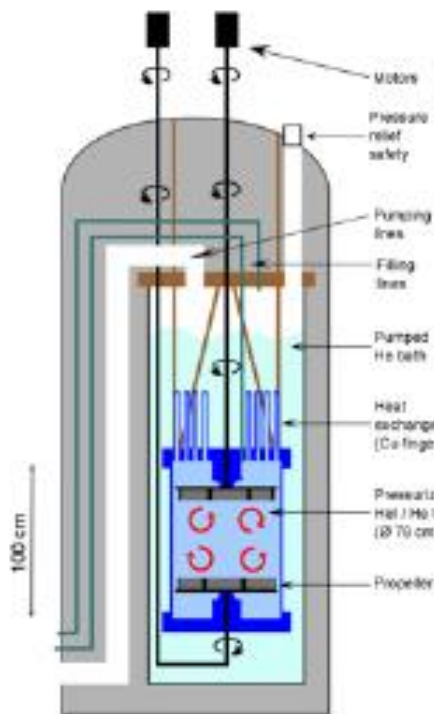
Mauerer & Tabeling 1998

$E(k) \sim k^{-5/3}$  arises from polarisation of vortex lines

Baggaley, Laurie & CFB, PRL 2012

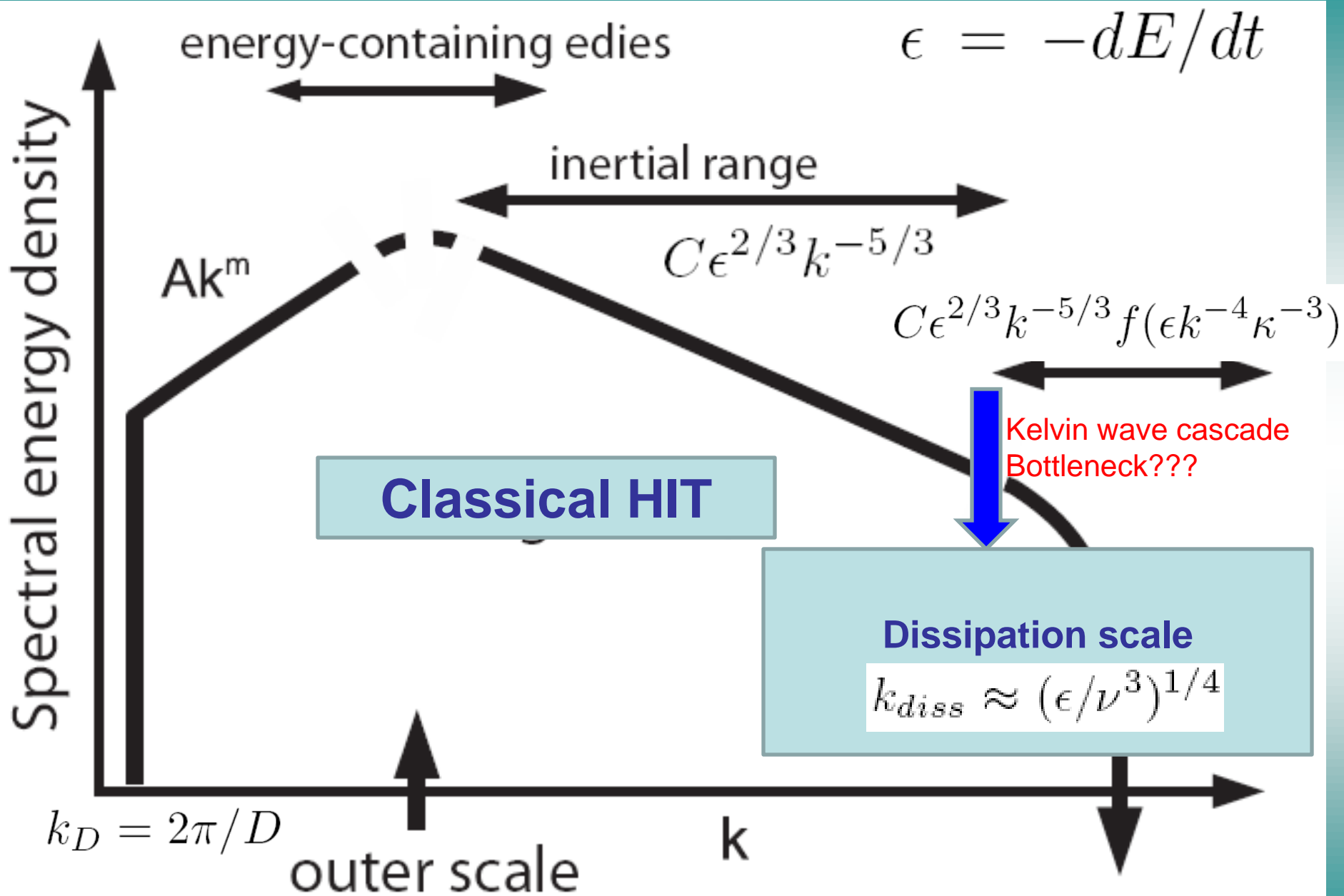


SHREK experiment, Grenoble



Salort & al 2012



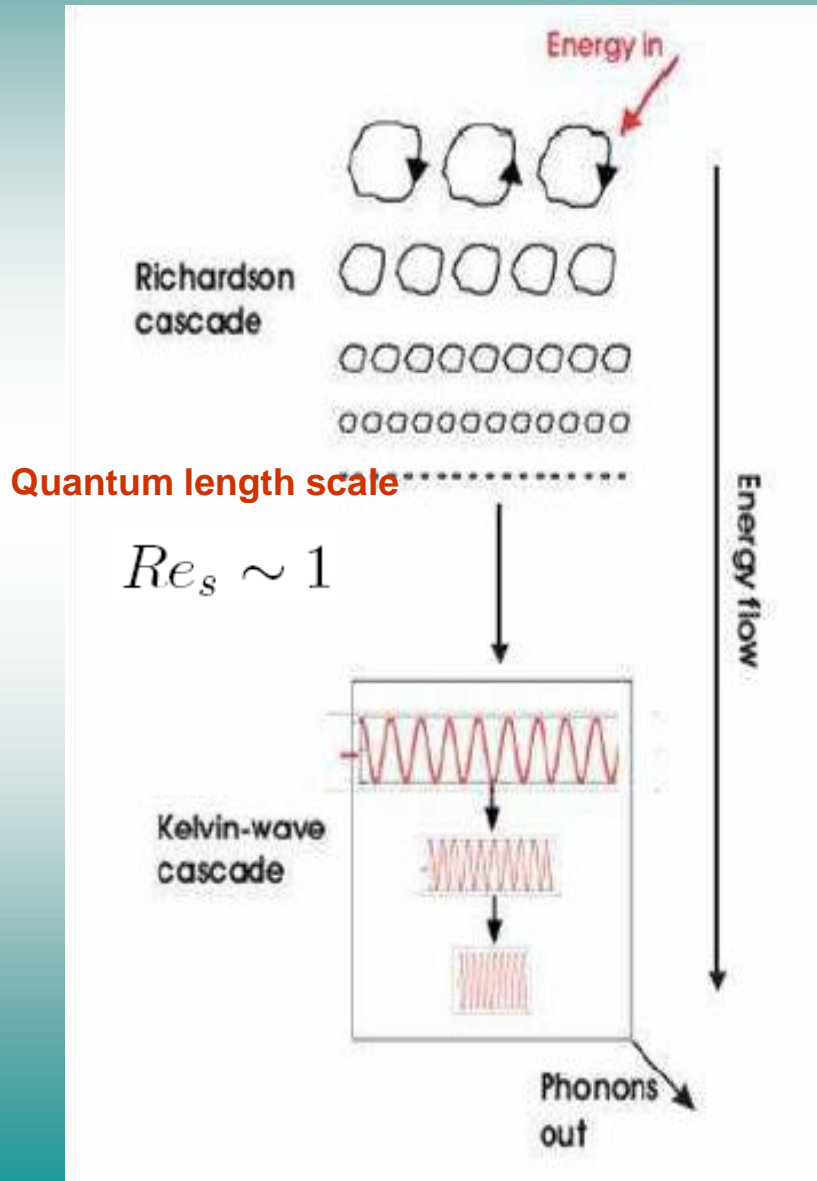


$$\epsilon = -dE/dt$$

e.g., mesh size of a grid

# quantum turbulence in a pure superfluid ( $T \rightarrow 0$ )

## „Vinen“ vs. „Kolmogorov“ QT



Superfluid Reynolds number

$$Re_s = \frac{DV}{\kappa}$$

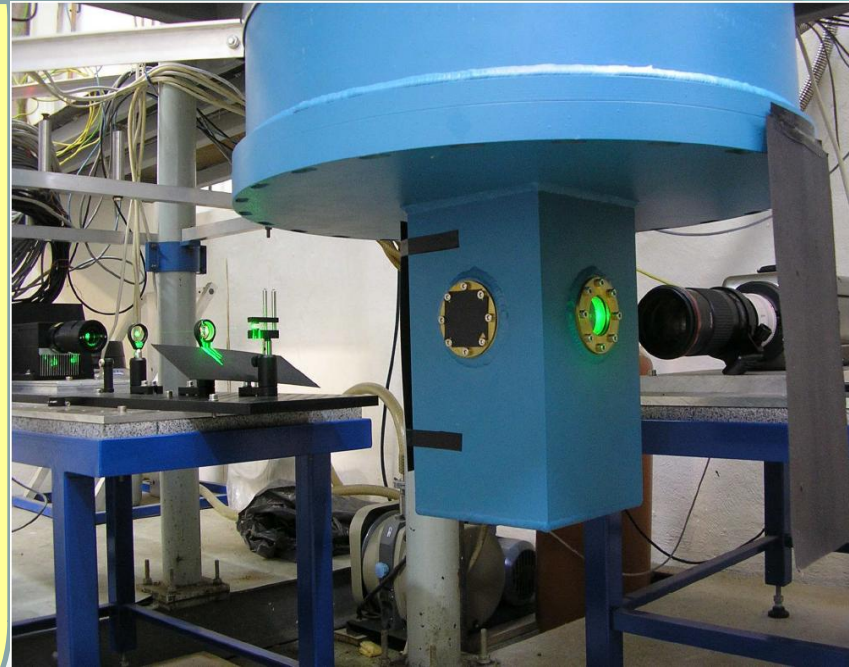
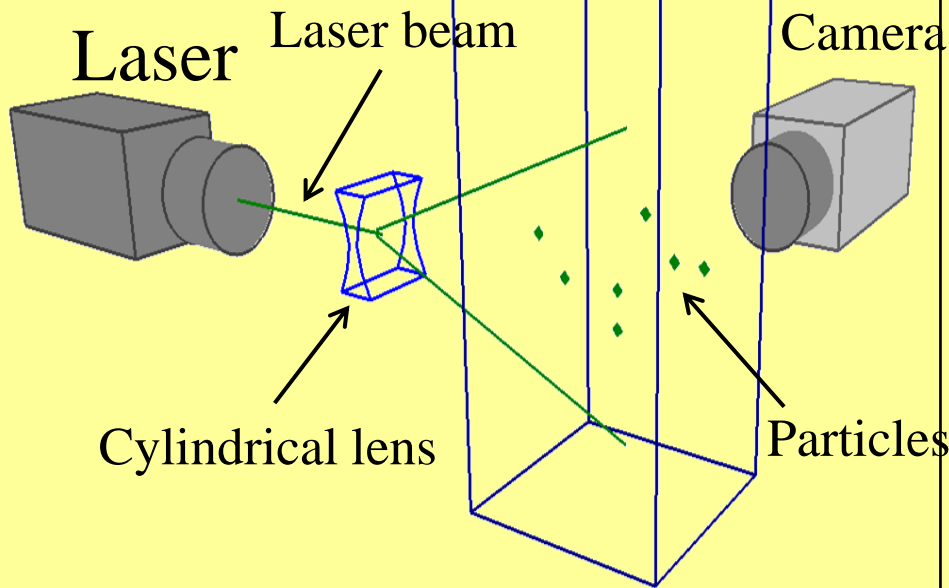
$$Re_s \gg 1$$

equivalent to  $\kappa \propto \hbar \rightarrow 0$

- At finite temperature the situation becomes more complex, due to mutual friction coupling the normal and superfluid velocity fields.
- Both N and S components may serve as a source or sink for the motion in its counterpart

# Recent results on visualization of cryogenic helium flows

## Prague Visualization Laboratory



- Custom-built **low-loss cryostat** with five sets of windows that **minimise heat input into the helium bath**, enabling horizontal as well as vertical optical access
- **Continuous wave solid state laser**, fast **digital camera** and relevant **hardware and software** to implement the **PIV** and **PTV** techniques for cryogenic flows analysis



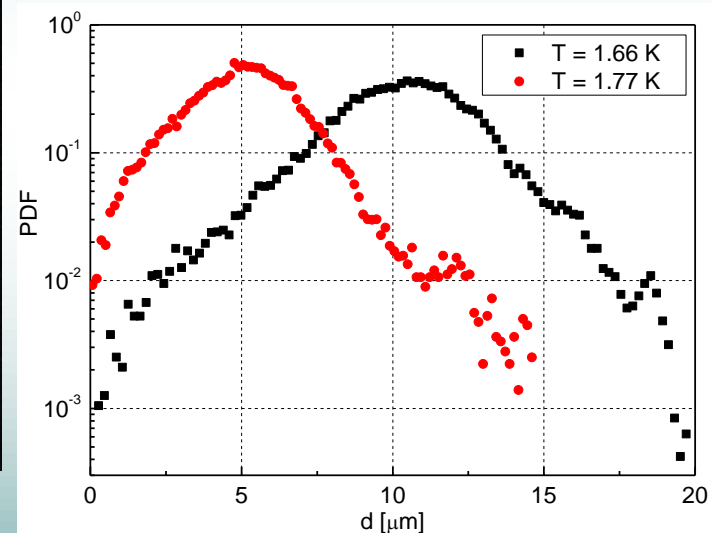
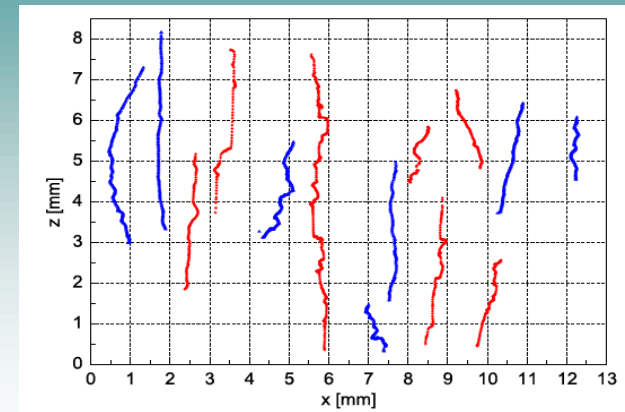
**Micron-sized  
hydrogen/deuterium  
tracers**



SF  
↓  
↑  
NF



Example: thermal counterflow  
Deuterium particles



The particles' radii are calculated by assuming that the particles are spherical and that the buoyancy force is balanced by the Stokes drag

$$R_p = \sqrt{\frac{9 \mu v_1}{2 g (\rho - \rho_p)}}$$

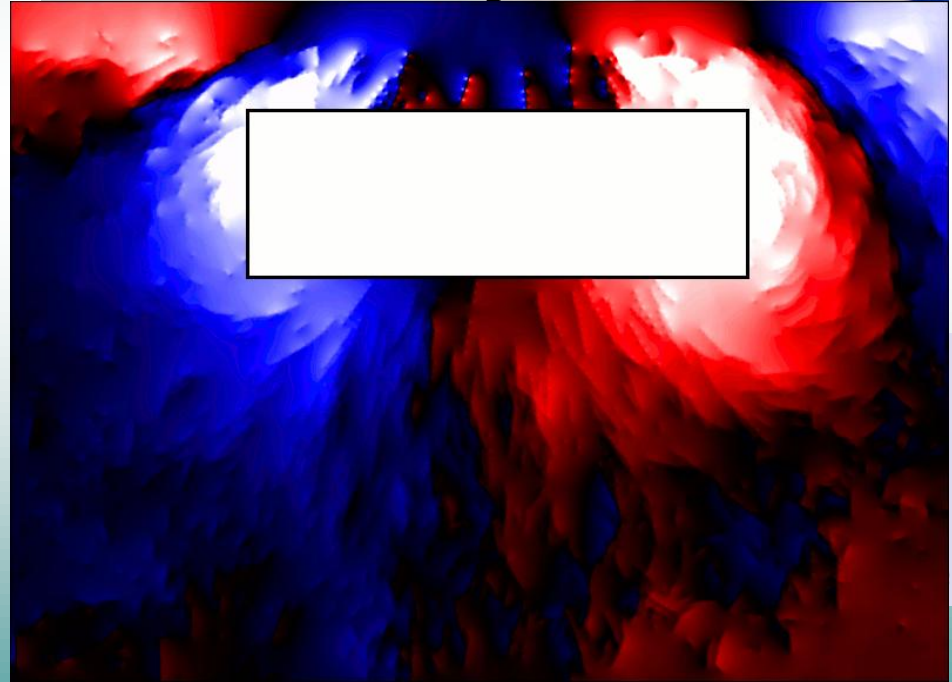
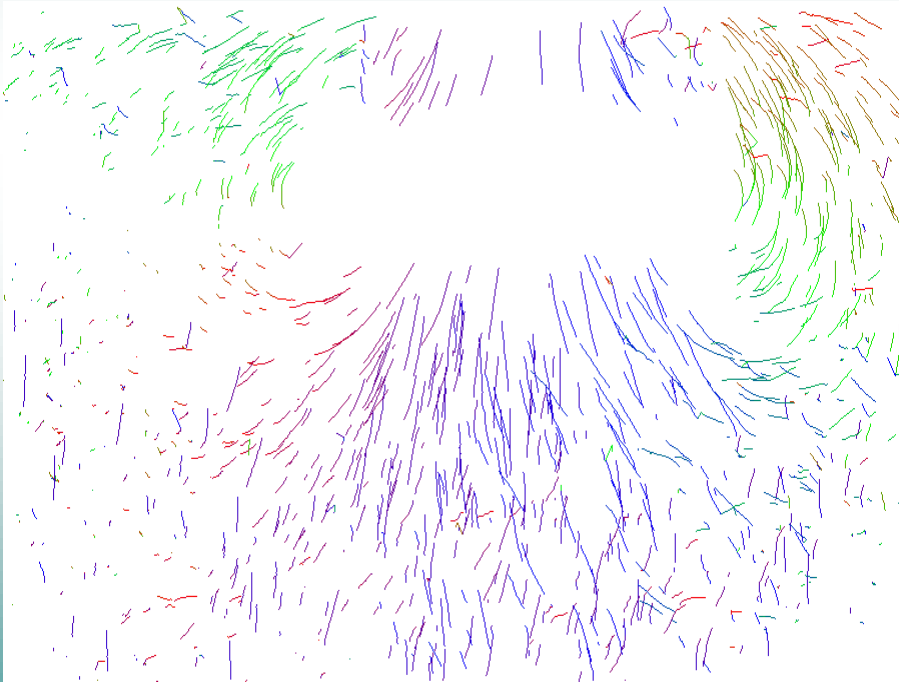
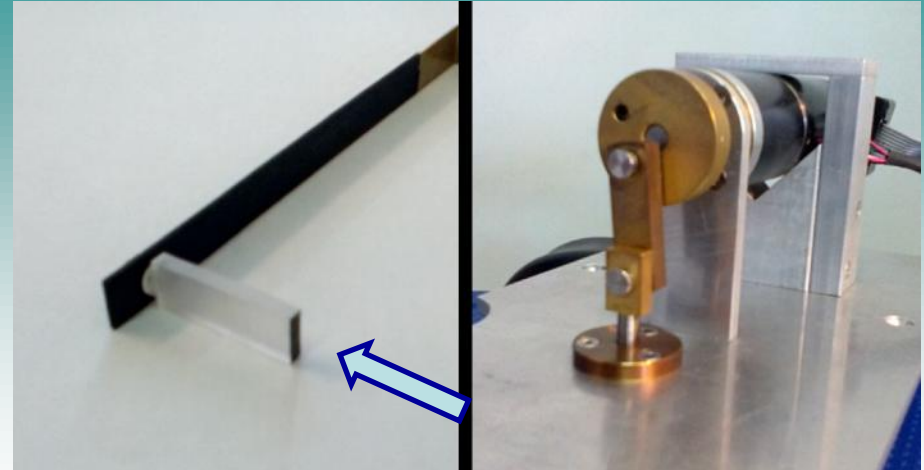
# Oscillating cylinder of rectangular cross-section 3 x 10 mm

Oscillations:

frequency 0.5 Hz, amplitude 5 mm

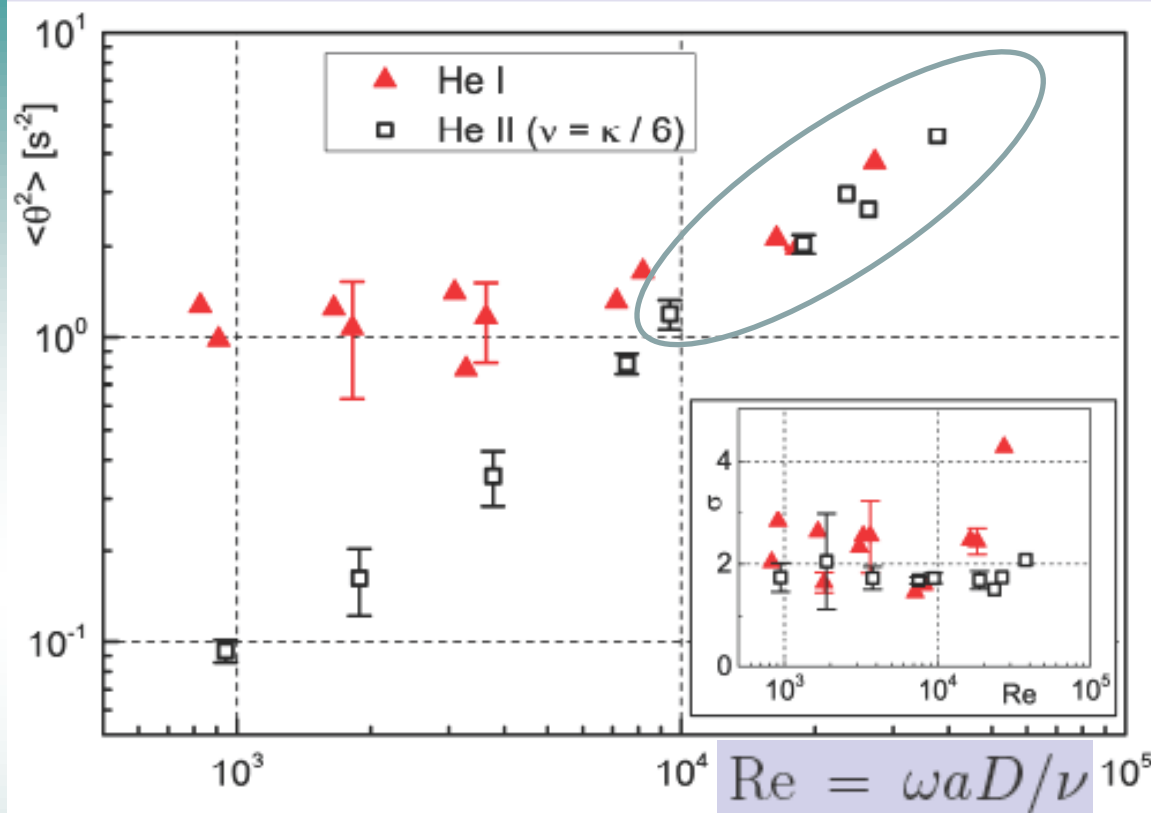
20 s entire video,  
camera frequency 100 Hz (exposition time 5 ms),  
phase averaged,  
trajectories of min 5 points shown ,  
laser power 1.05 W

**T=1.24 K**



For details, see: D. Duda, P. Svancara, M. La Mantia, M. Rotter, and LS: Visualization of viscous and quantum flows of liquid 4He due to an oscillating cylinder of rectangular cross section, PRB 92, 064519 (2015)

$\langle \theta^2 \rangle$ : ensemble average of the  $\theta^2$  parameter



Kinematic viscosity  
of He II taken as:

$$\nu \approx \kappa / 6$$

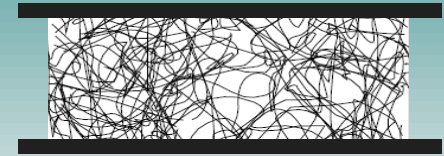
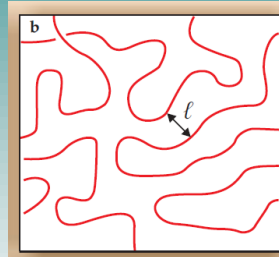
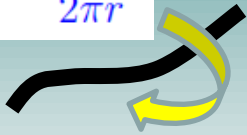
At large enough length scales (larger than Kolmogorov dissipation length and quantum length scale - average distance between quantized vortices) He I and II behave similarly.

At smaller length scale, there is a clear difference . Why???



# Characteristic length scales in 4He turbulence

$$v_s = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi r}$$



$$\xi \approx 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$$

**Vortex core size**

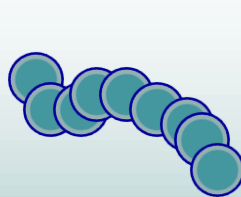
$$\ell = 1/\sqrt{L} \approx 100 \text{ } \mu\text{m} = 10^{-2} \text{ cm}$$

**Mean intervortex distance**  
**quantum length scale**

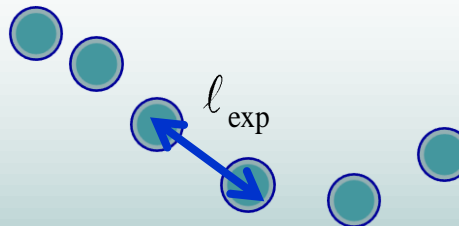
$$D \approx 1 \text{ cm}$$

**Outer scale**

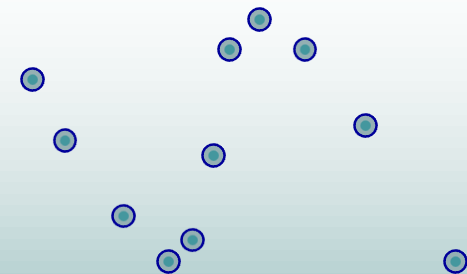
**Scales experimentally accessible by particle tracking**



$$\ell_{\text{exp}} \approx \ell / 10$$



$\ell_{\text{exp}}$

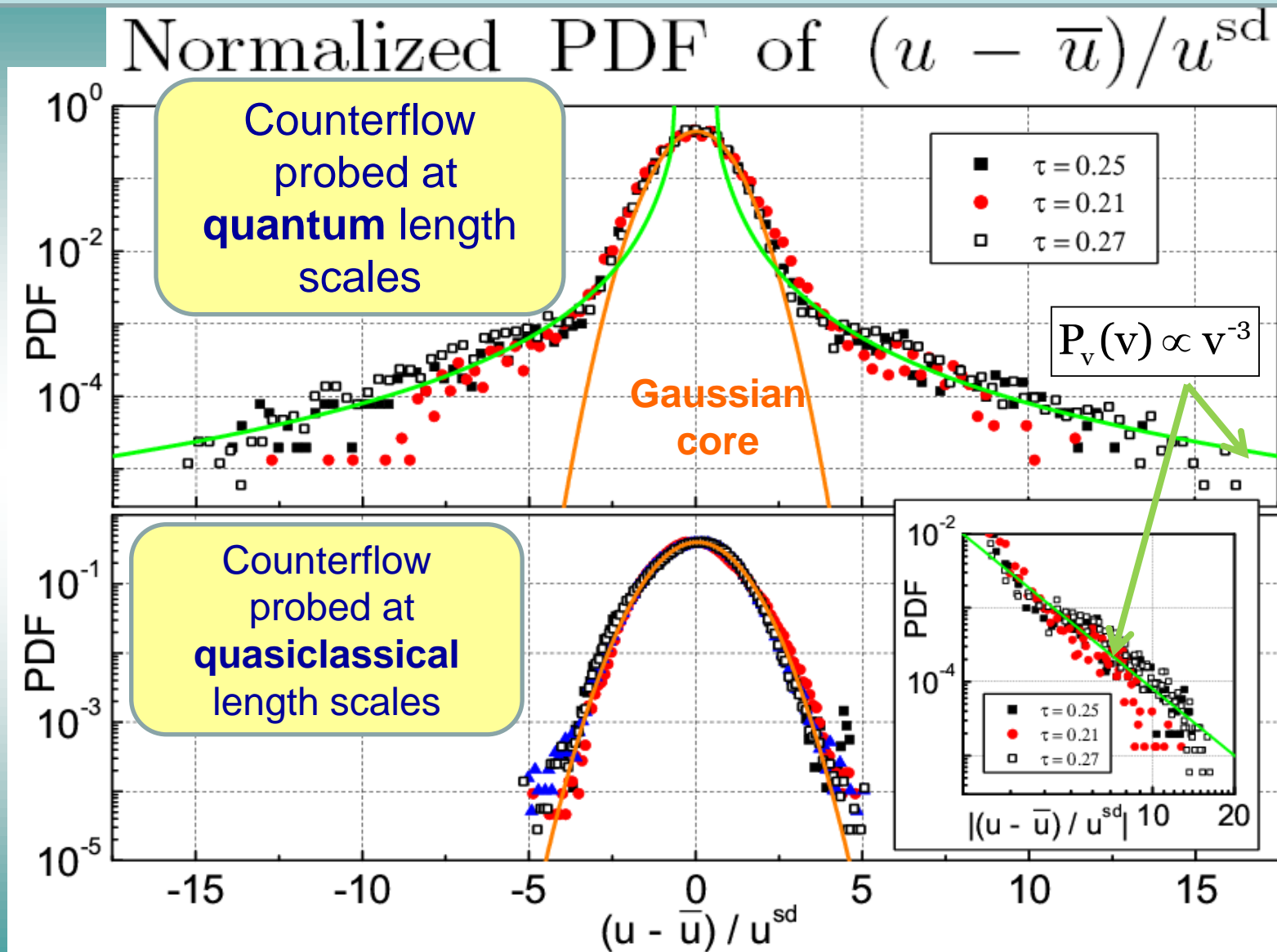


$$\ell_{\text{exp}} \approx 10 \ell$$

**Vinen (ultraquantum) QT** → **crossover** →  
**???**

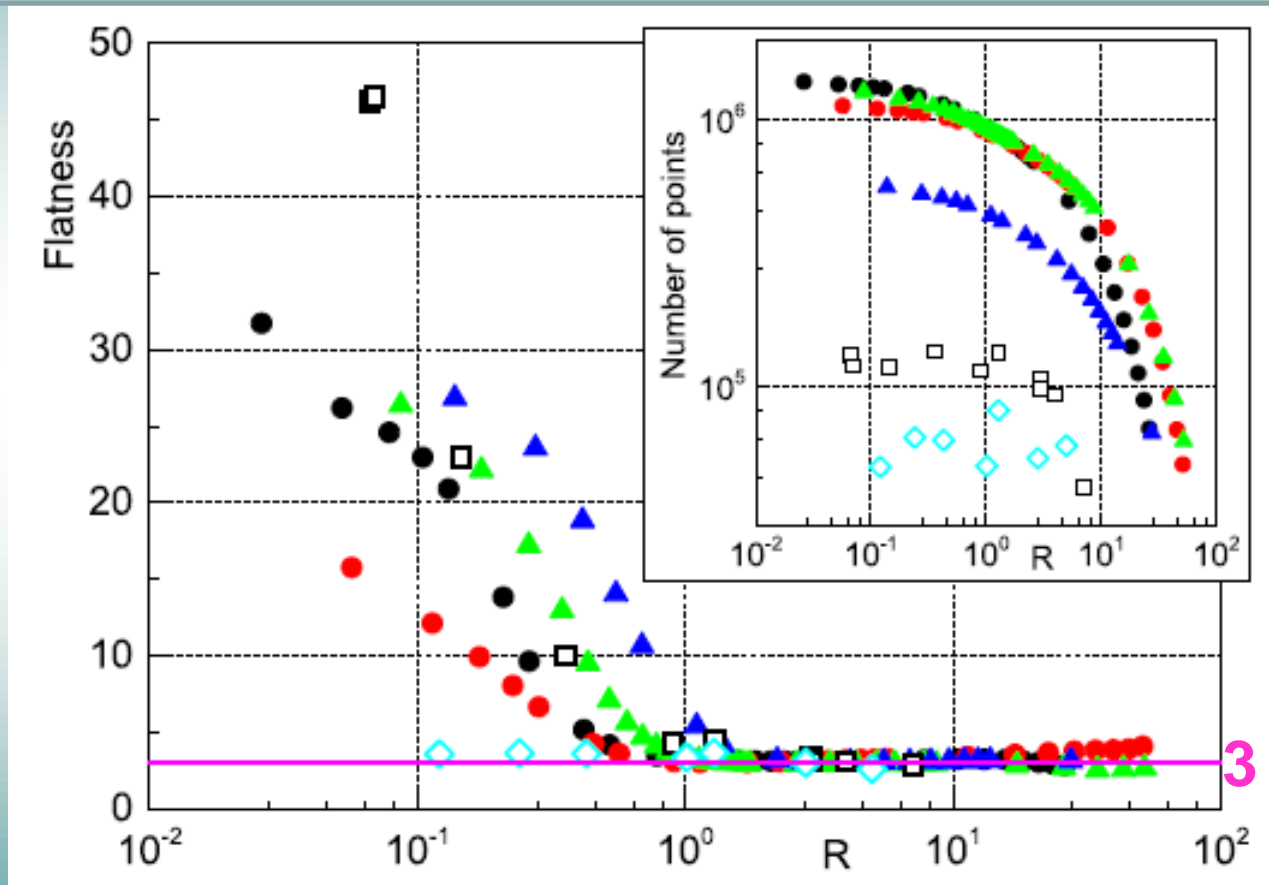
**Kolmogorov (quasiclassical) QT**

# Quantum, or classical turbulence ?



# Quantum, or classical turbulence ?

The answer depends on the scale  
at which the quantum flow is probed !!!



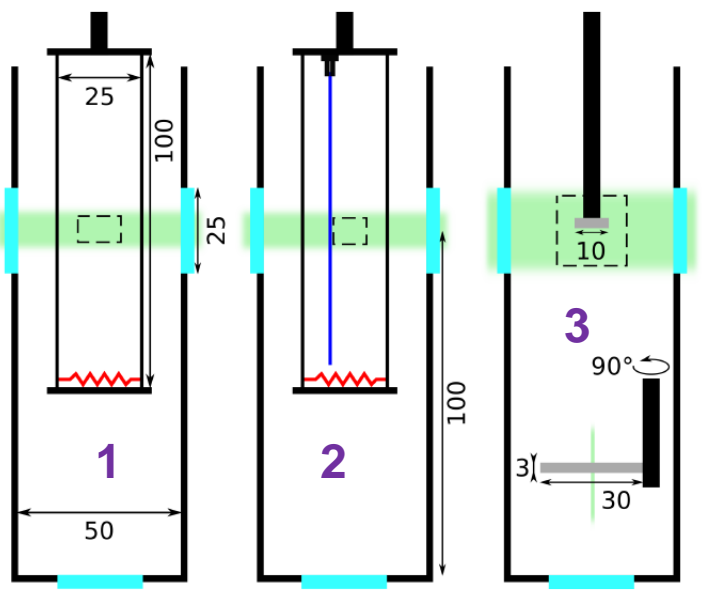
Vinen (ultraquantum) QT  $\rightarrow$  crossover  $\rightarrow$  Kolmogorov (quasiclassical) QT

For details, see M. La Mantia, LS: Quantum or classical turbulence? EPL **105**, 46002 (2014)

M. La Mantia, LS: Quantum turbulence visualized by particle dynamics PRB **90**, 014519 (2014)

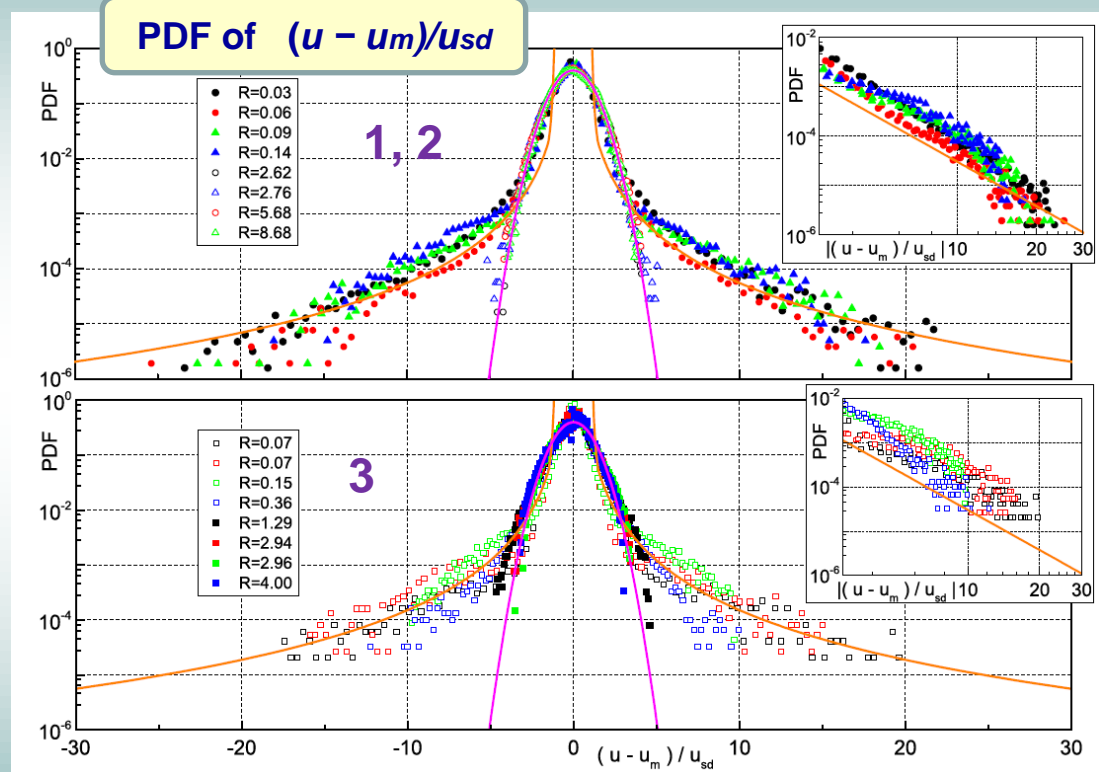
# Small-scale universality in quantum turbulence

thermal counterflow bulk      oscillating cylinder close to the wall (rectangular cross-section)



For details, see  
M. La Mantia, P. Svancara, D. Duda, and LS:  
**Small-scale universality of particle dynamics in quantum turbulence** PRB 94, 184512 (2016)

- Small-scale universality is observed in classical turbulent flows of viscous fluids, as it emerges from the pioneering work of Kolmogorov



• **Small-scale universality is observed in quantum turbulence, similarly as in classical (viscous) fluid turbulence**

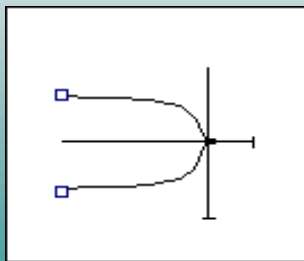
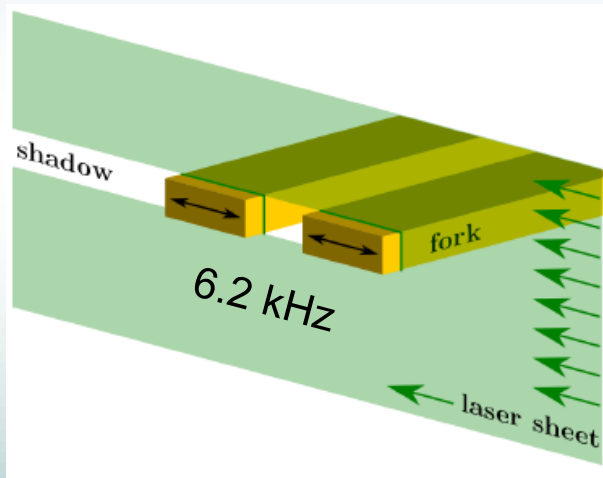
- in viscous flows, these small scales are still larger than the Kolmogorov length scale
- in quantum flows these small scales are smaller than the quantum scale, the average distance between quantized vortices (fluid motion may exist all the way down to the size of the quantized vortex core).



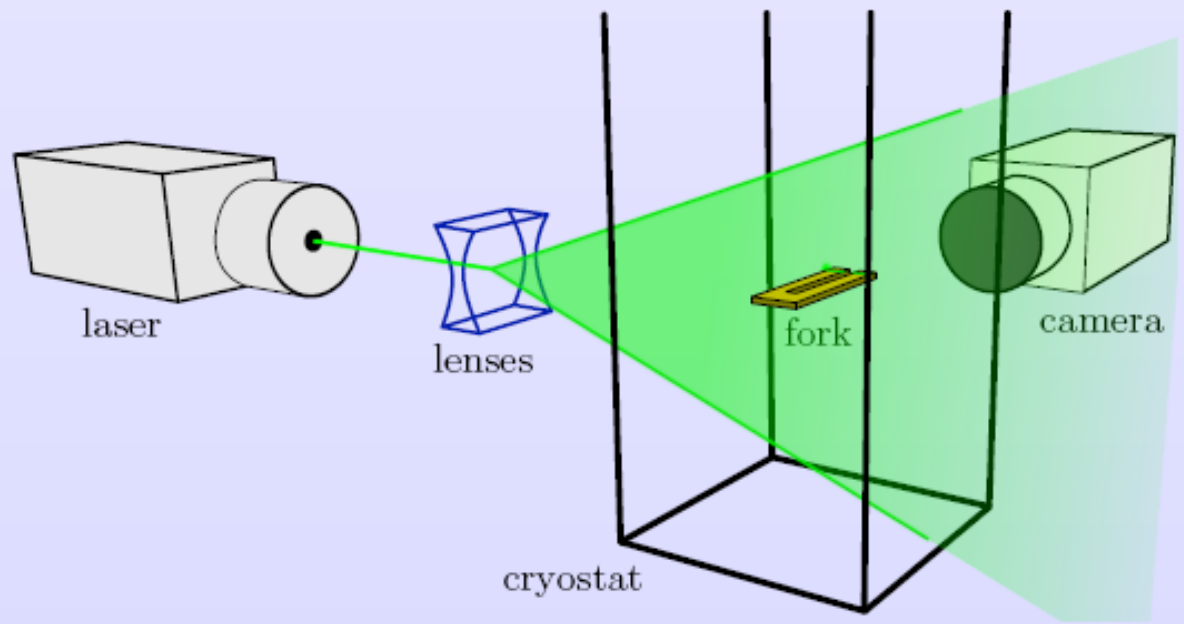
# Visualization of Streaming Flow due to Quartz Tuning Fork Oscillating in Normal and Superfluid $^4\text{He}$

**Streaming flow** - steady part of oscillatory flows of classical viscous fluids due to vibrating obstacles

- Can we observe it in He I, classical viscous liquid, in flow due to vibrating quartz fork?
- Does streaming occur in He II, which is a quantum liquid displaying two-fluid phenomena, superfluidity and macroscopic quantum effects such as quantization of circulation (quantized vortices)?

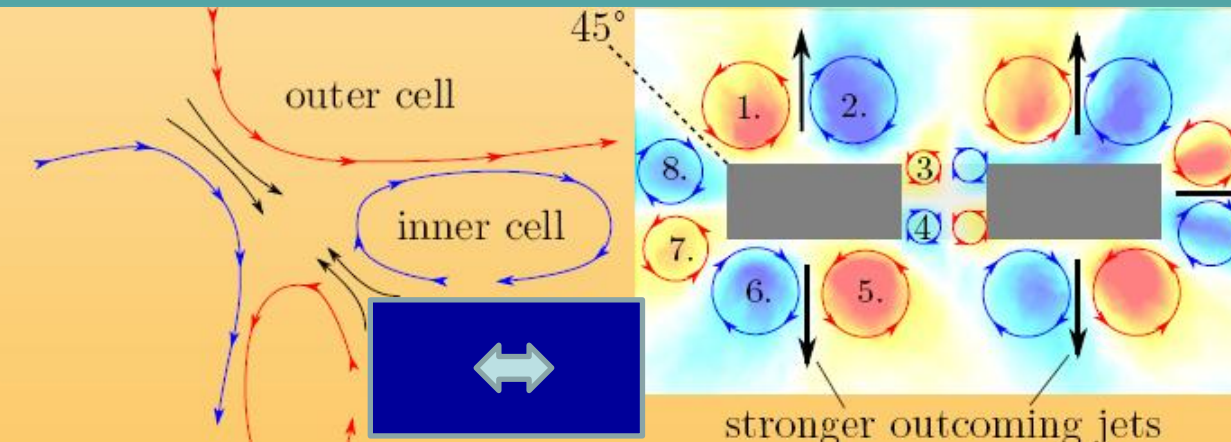


*Particle Tracking Velocimetry* visualization technique:

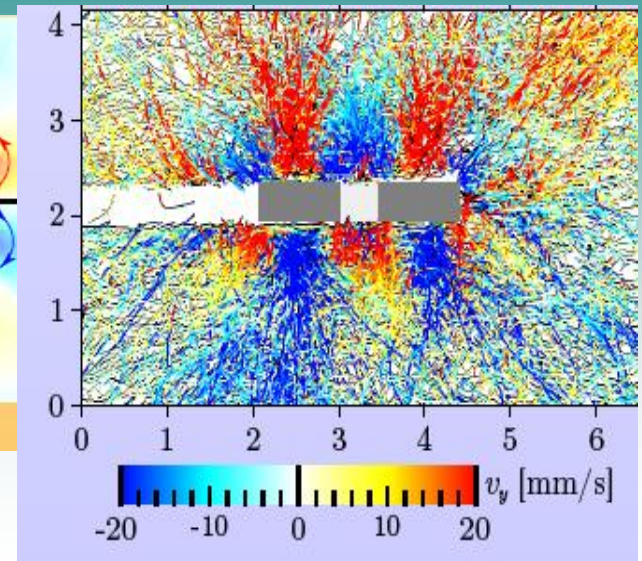


Solid deuterium particles 4-8 microns in size  
1 Mpx 800 Hz CMO camera, resolution 10 microns

## Pseudovorticity



## Particle trajectories



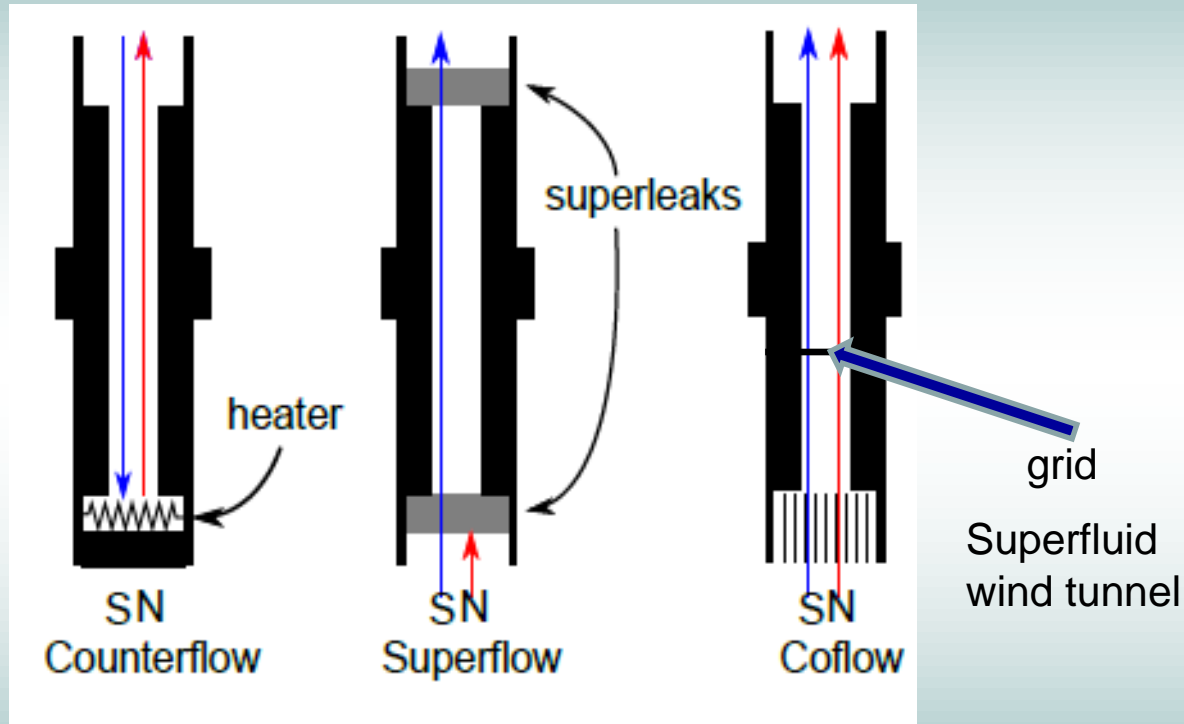
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**Streaming flow due to a quartz tuning fork oscillating in normal and superfluid  $^4\text{He}$**   
 Phys. Rev. B **96**, 024519 (2017)

- **Steady nonlinear streaming flow due to vibrating quartz fork is clearly observed in He I**
- There are 8 streaming cells, identified as outer cells due to their orientation, around each prong produced by its corners, inner cells of thickness of order of our resolution, are invisible
- **For the first time, nearly identical streaming patterns are found in superfluid He II, probed at length scales exceeding the quantum length scale, where He II behaves as a single component quasiclassical fluid**
- Streaming flow in the neighbouring bulk might affect the performance of forks as sensors in practical applications

# Quantum turbulence in He II

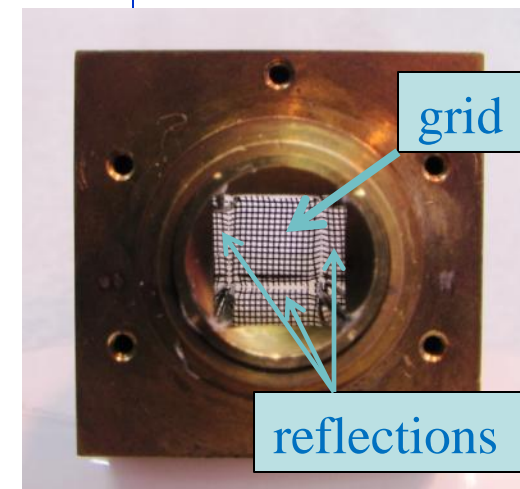
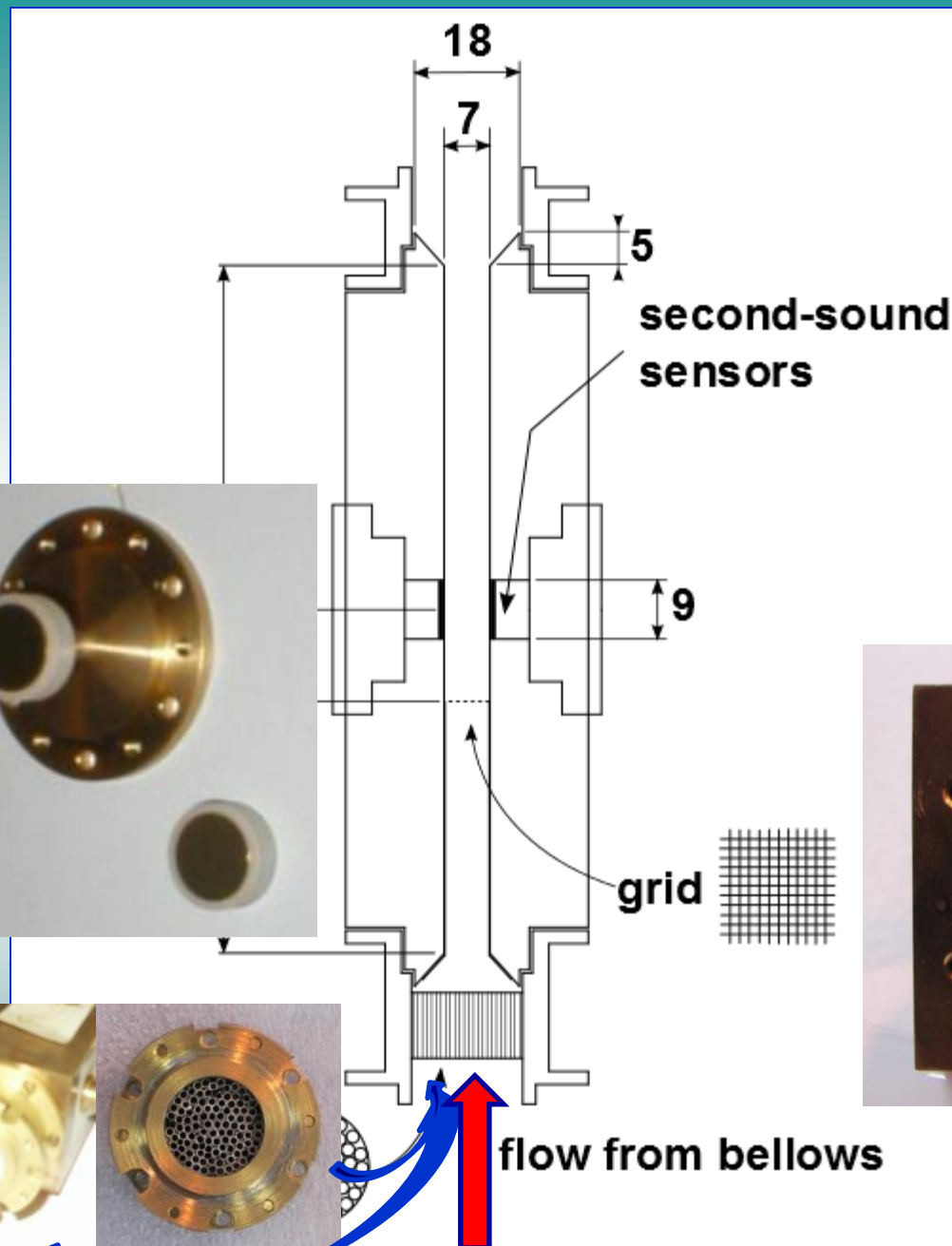
-various types of two-fluid steady-state and decaying channel flows investigated by **Second Sound**

$1.35 \text{ K} < T < 2.15 \text{ K}$  two channels:  $7 \times 7$  and  $10 \times 10$  mm



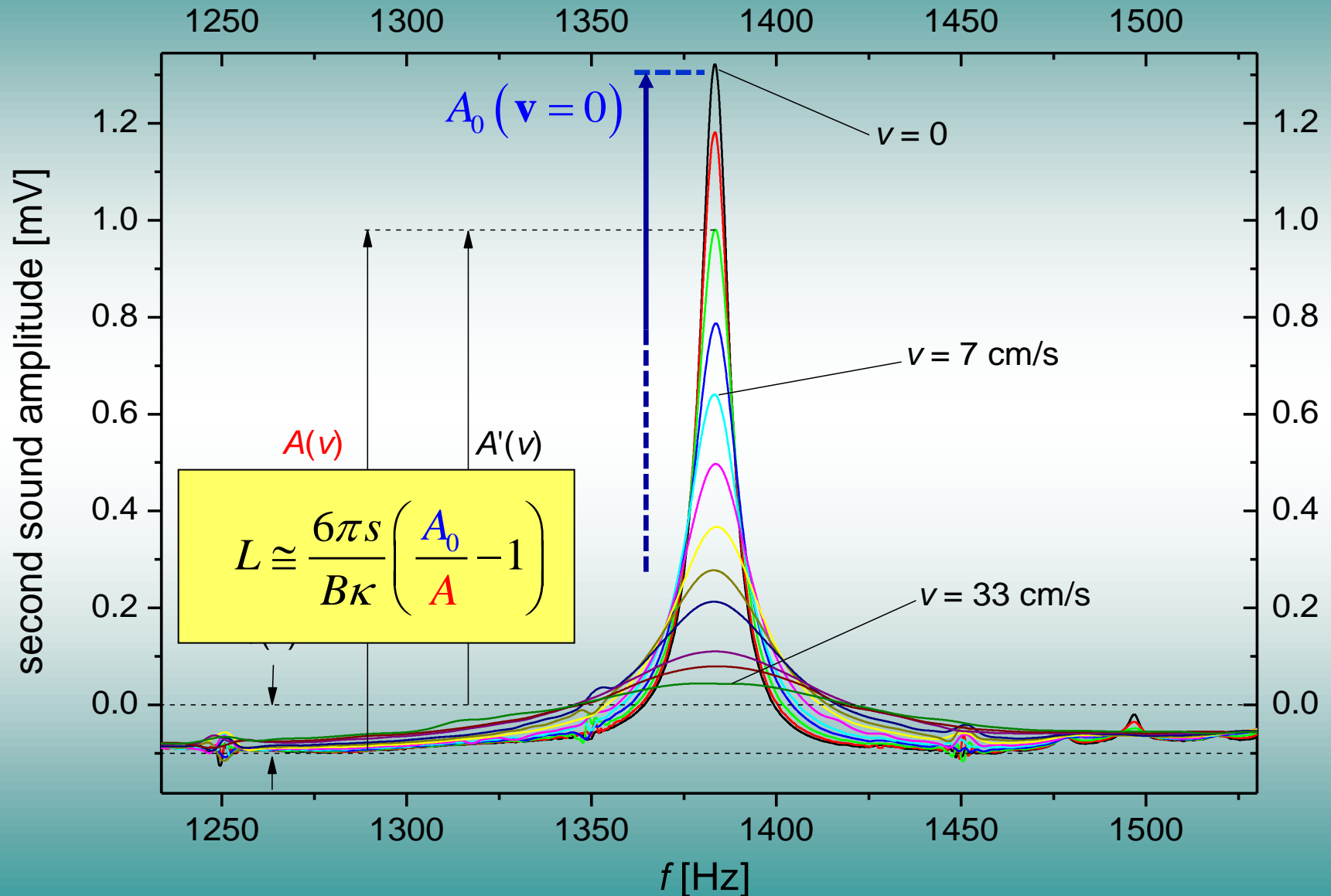
**Main observables:**

1. Mean superflow velocity,  $v \rightarrow$  from rate of change of calibrated bellows volume (3% accuracy)
2. Length of quantized vortex lines per unit volume,  $L \rightarrow$  from attenuation of second sound

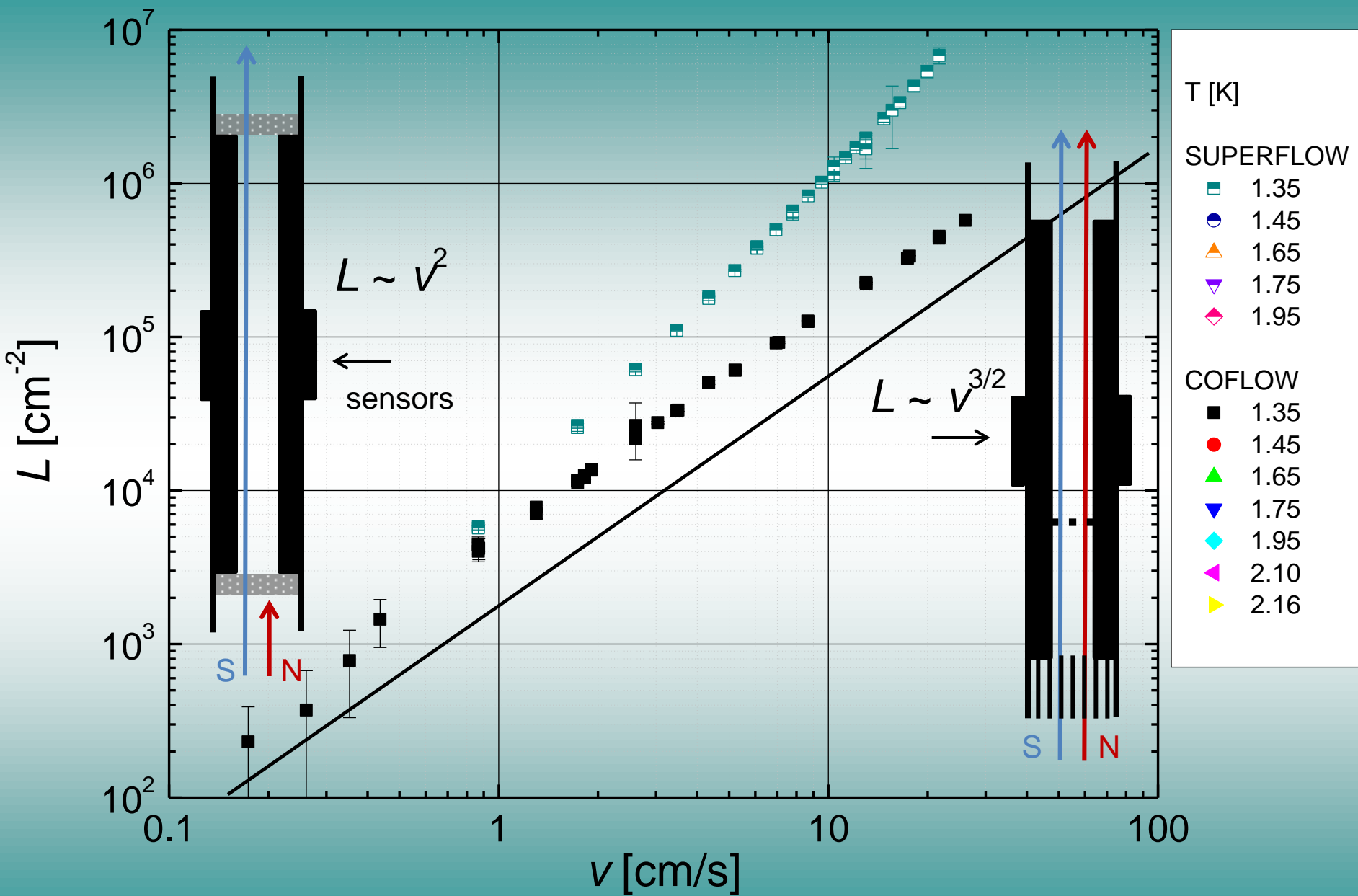


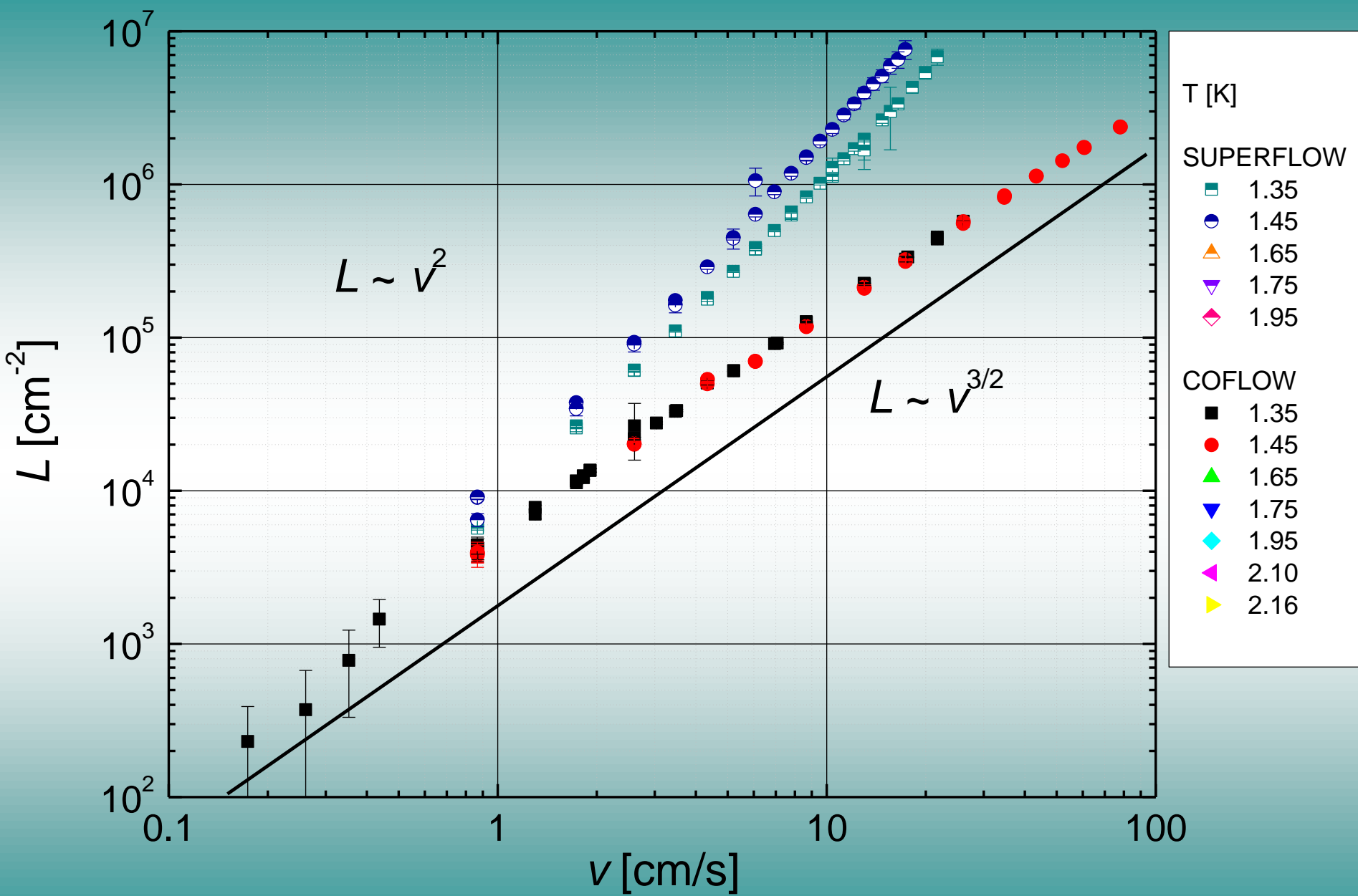


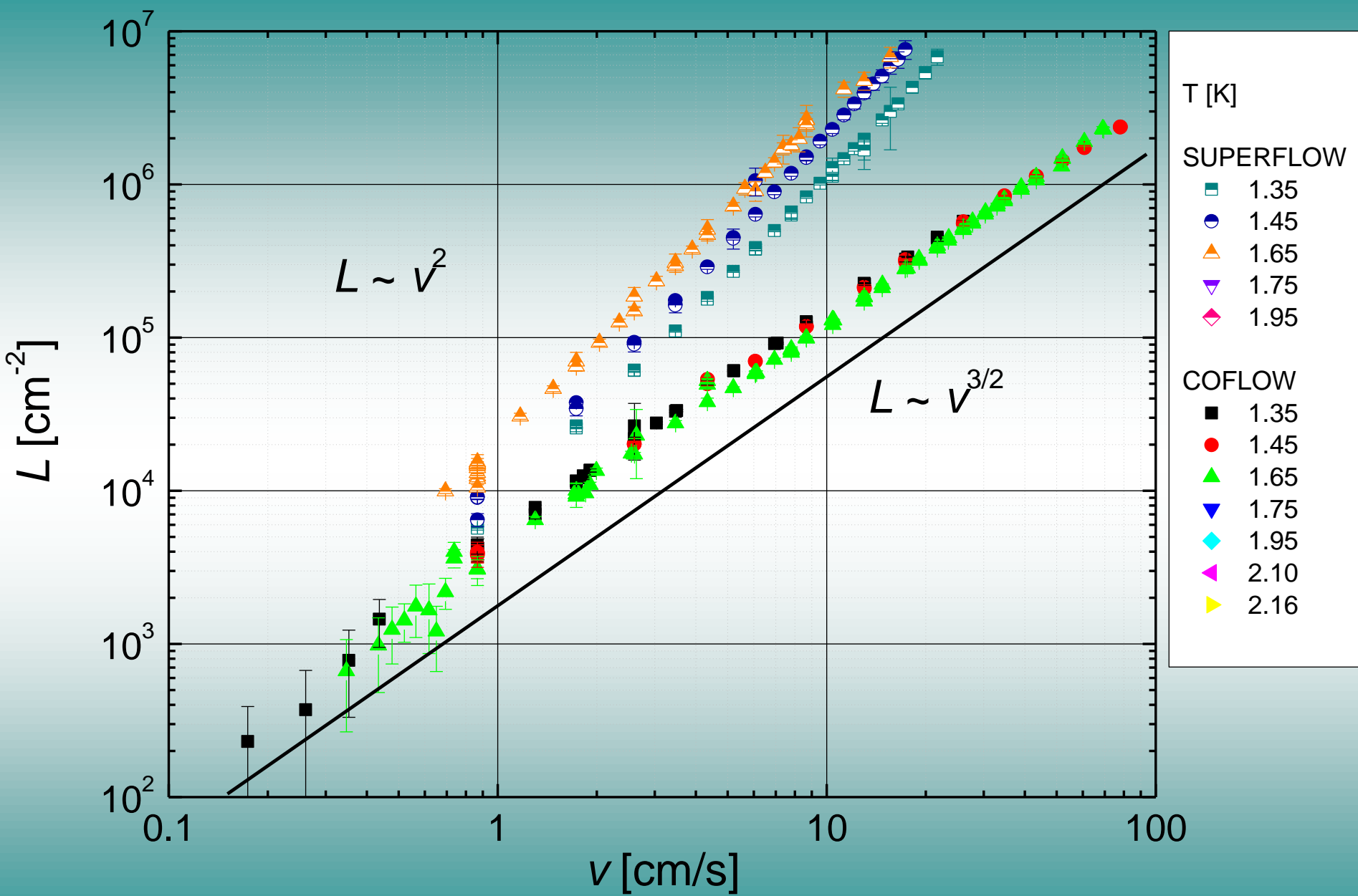
## Coflow with grid, $T = 1.65$ K



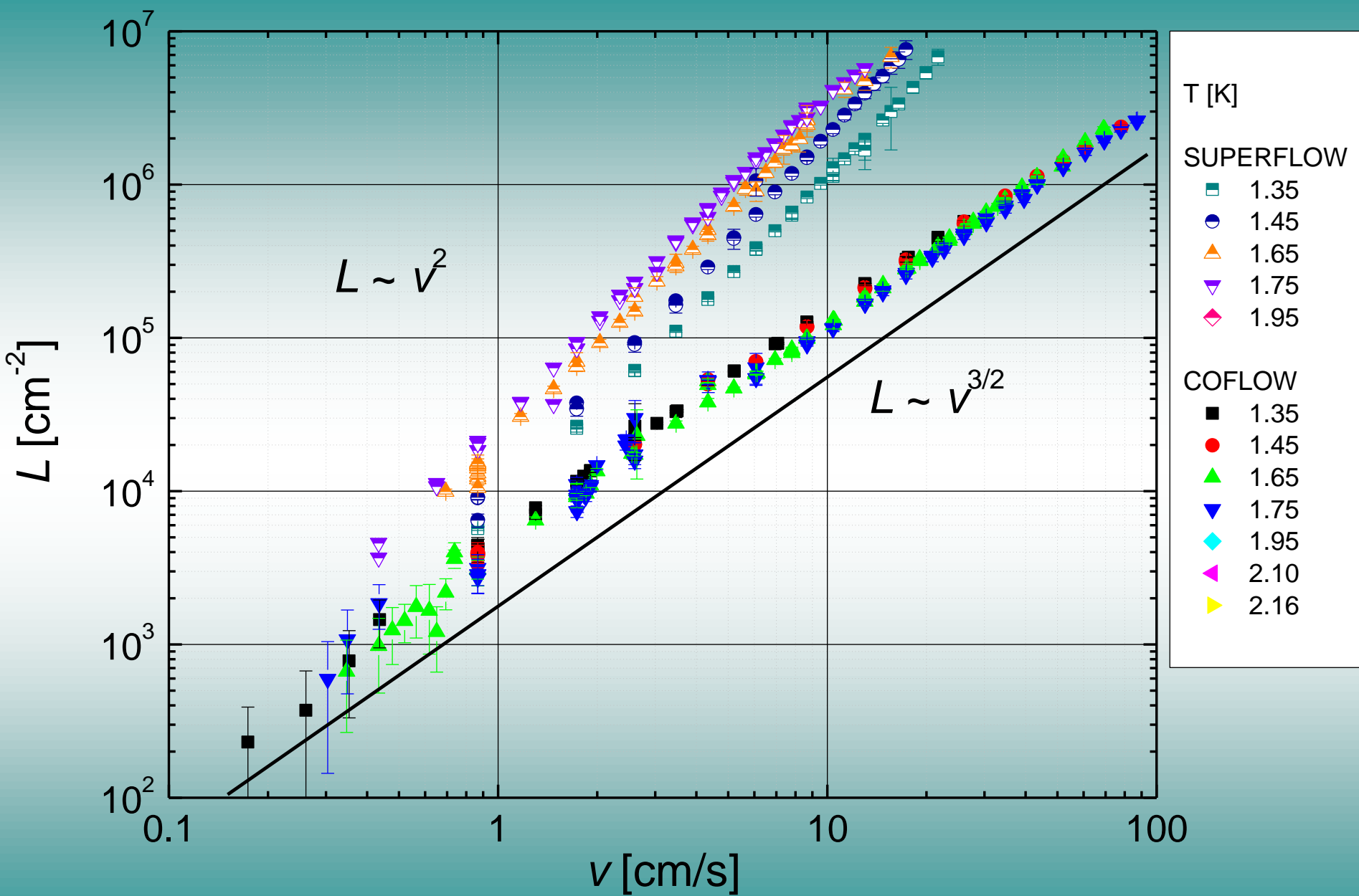
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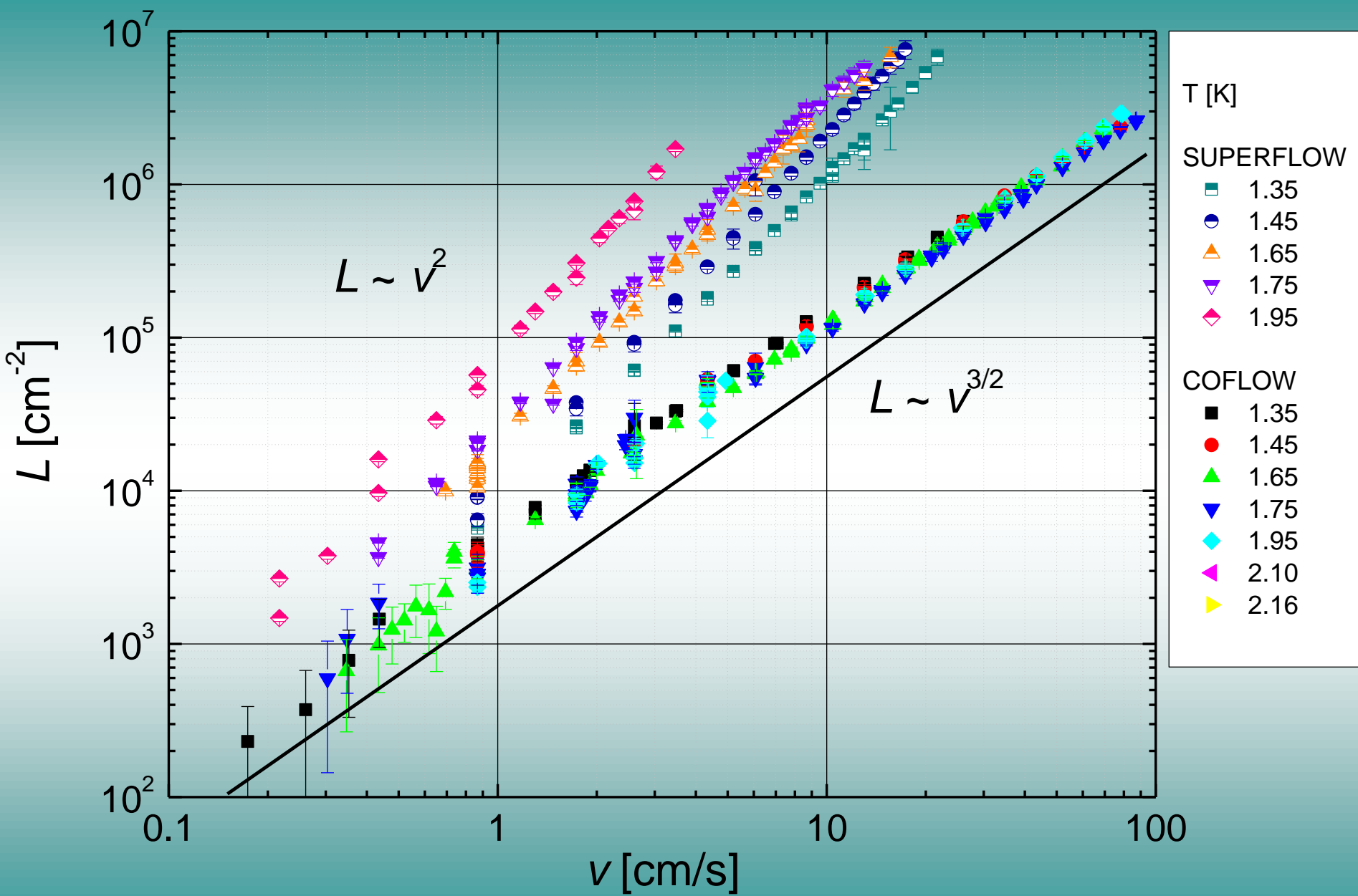


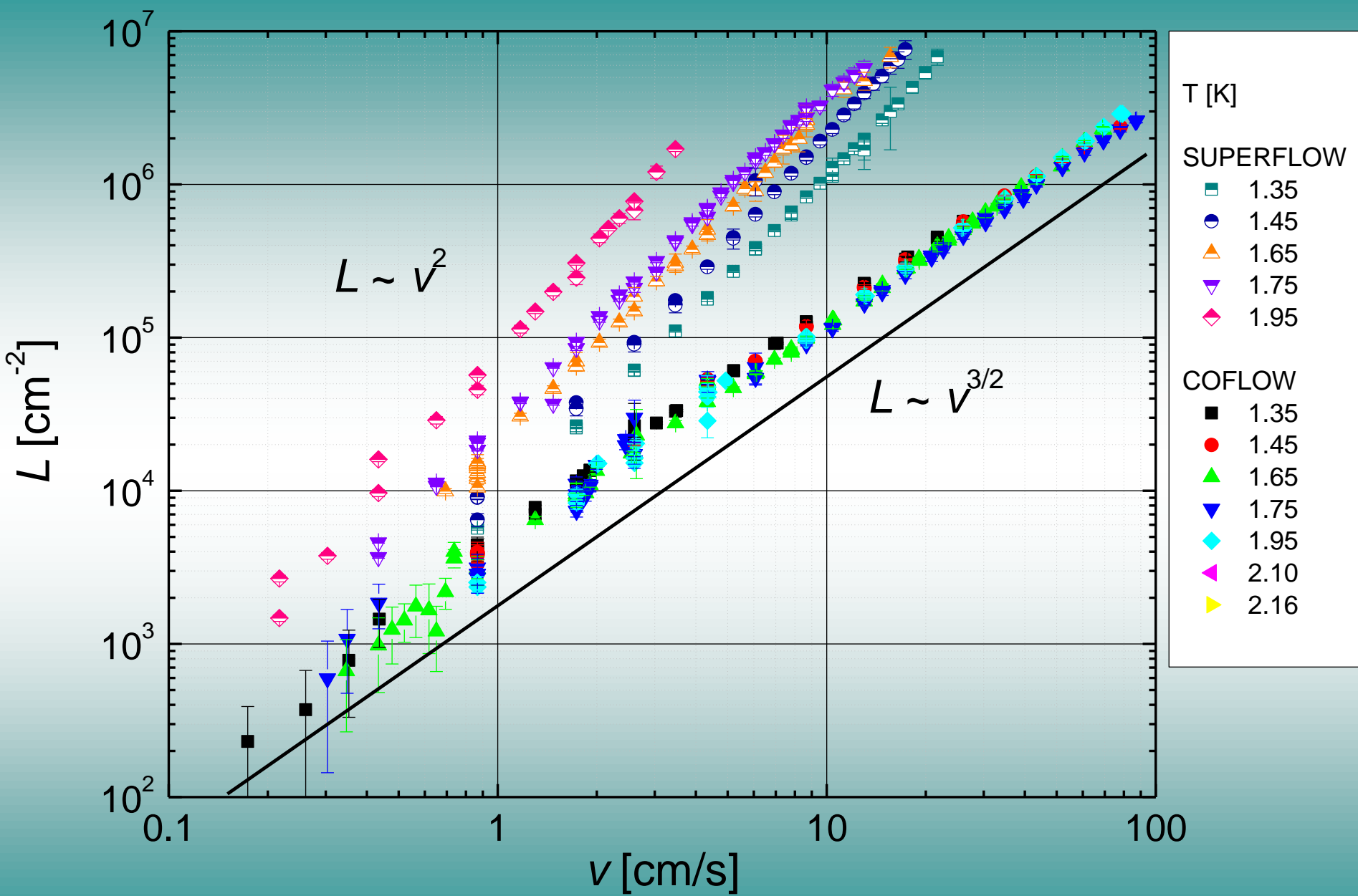


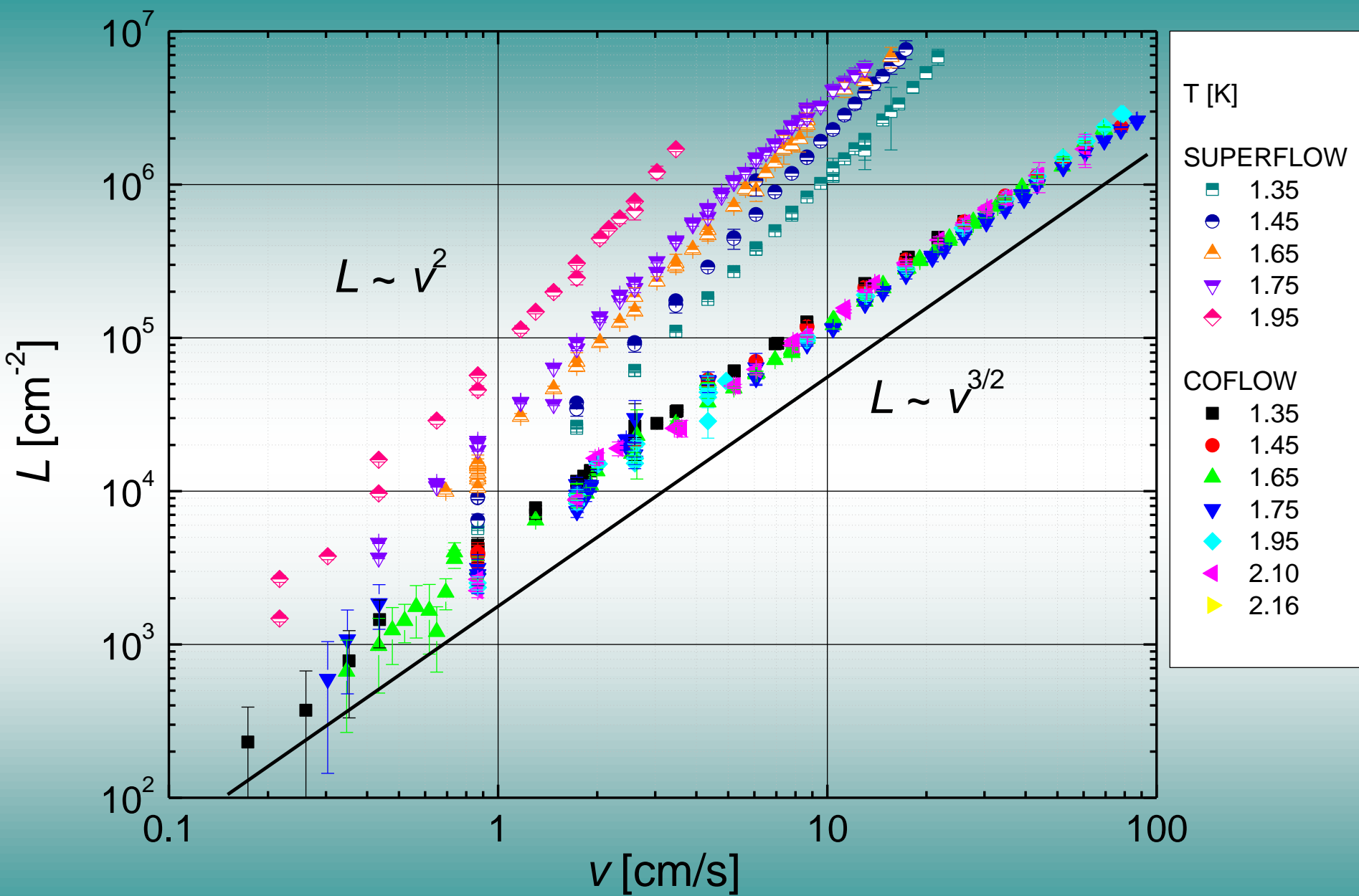




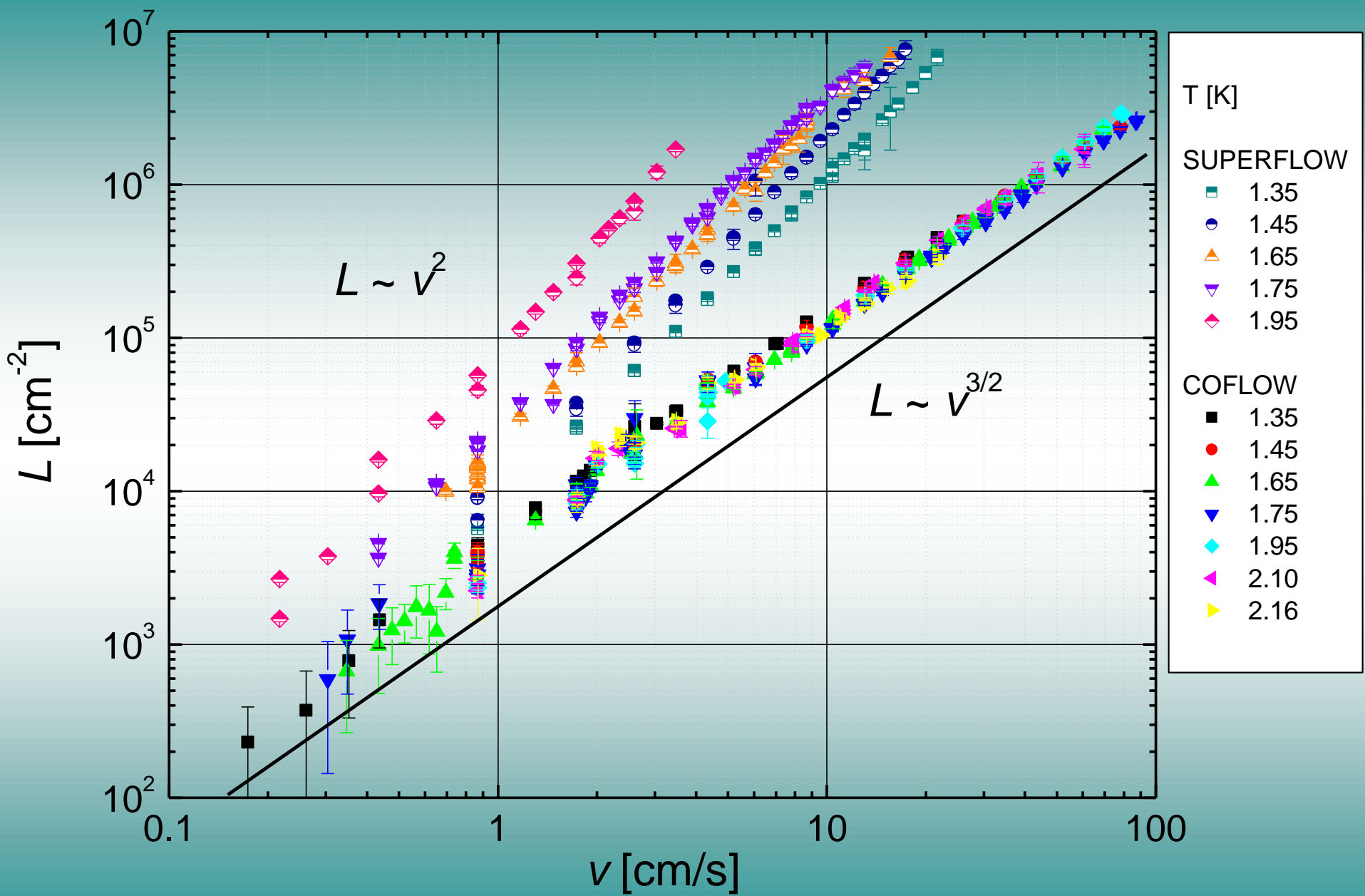












## Two (steady-state) distinctly different types of scaling:

$$L^{1/2} = \gamma(T)(V_{CF} - V_C)$$

**Counterflow, pure superflow**

**Vinen equation**

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \chi_1 \frac{\rho_n B}{2\rho} V_{CF} L^{3/2} - \chi_2 \frac{\kappa}{2\pi} L^2$$

$V_{CF} = \langle |V_n - V_s| \rangle$  mean counterflow velocity  
 $\chi_1 ; \chi_2$  temperature dependent parameter  
 $B$  mutual friction constant

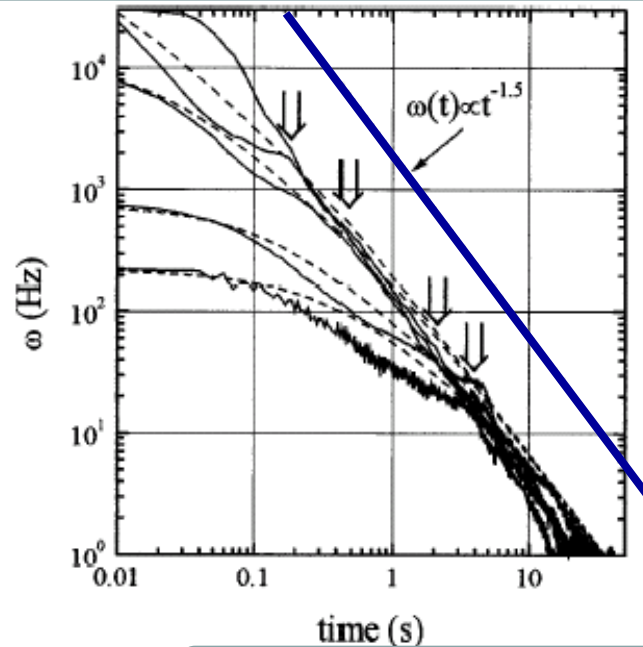
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$$L \propto V^{3/2}$$

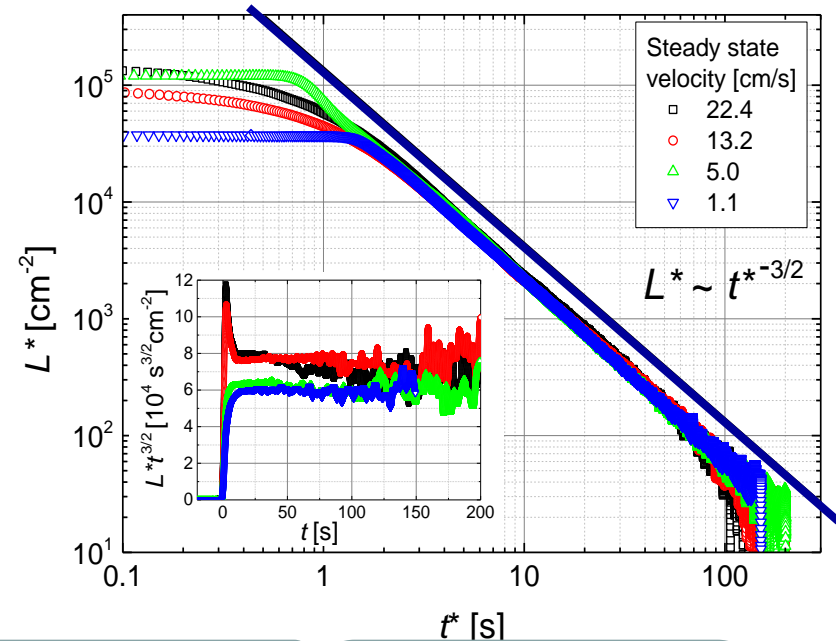
**Coflow – classical scaling**

# Decay of (two-fluid) quantum turbulence in He II

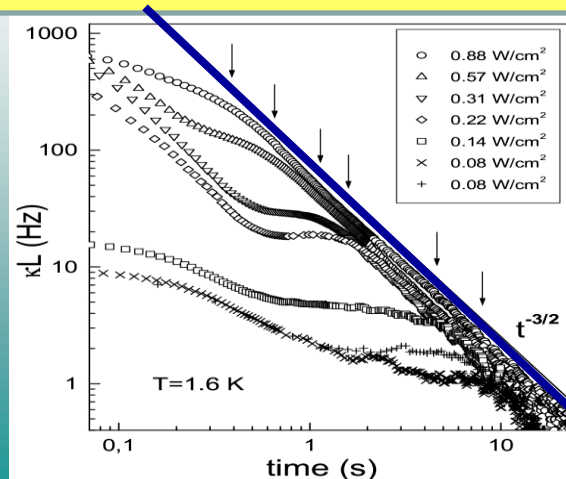
## Oregon towed grid experiments



## Decay of coflow - Prague



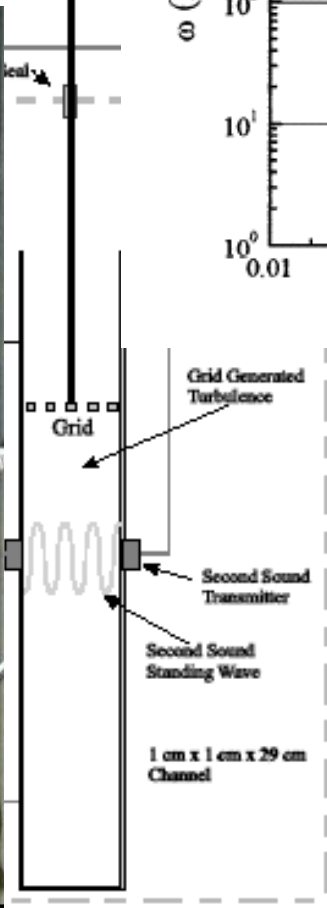
## Decay of counterflow – Prague (Tallahassee)



Late decay of vortex line density displays robust (quasi)classical -3/2 power law

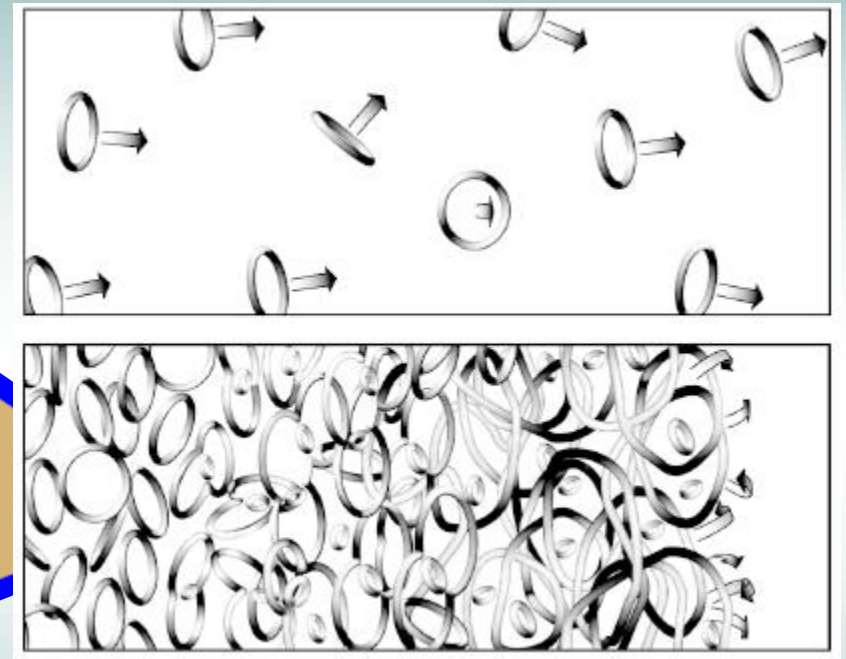
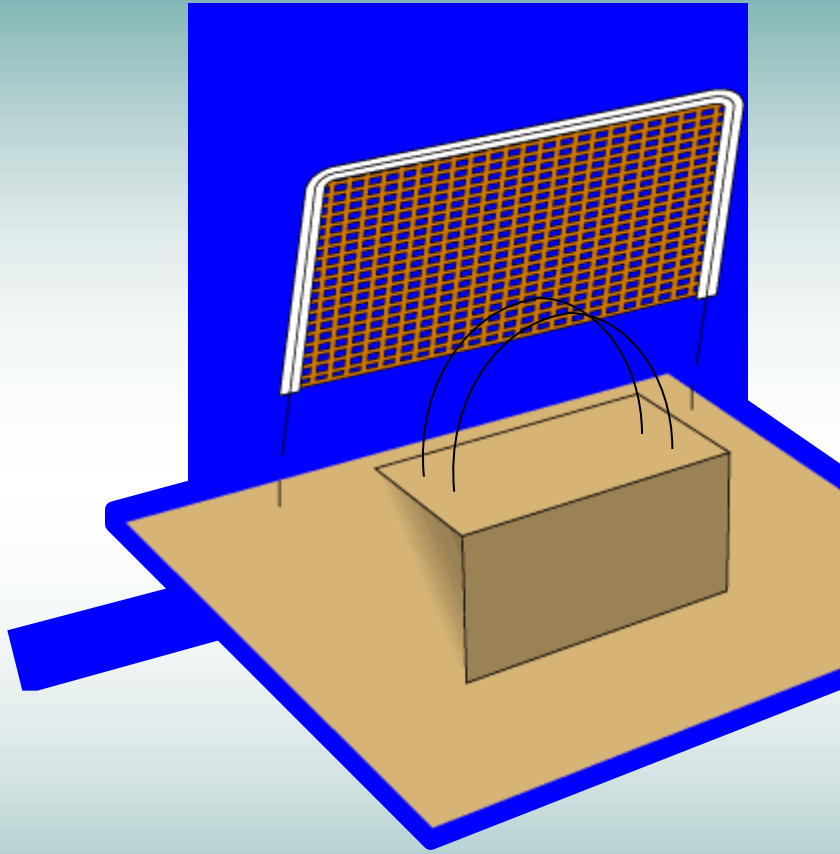
$$L(t) = \frac{D(3C)^{3/2}}{2\pi\kappa\sqrt{v_{eff}}}(t+t^*)^{-3/2}$$

Effective kinematic viscosity



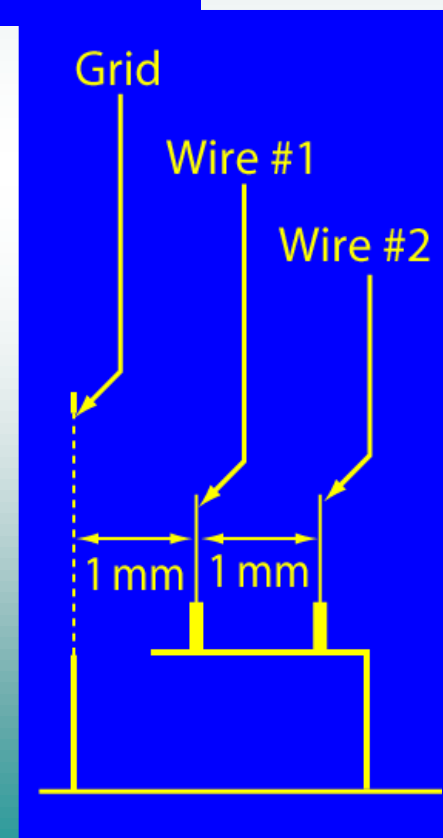
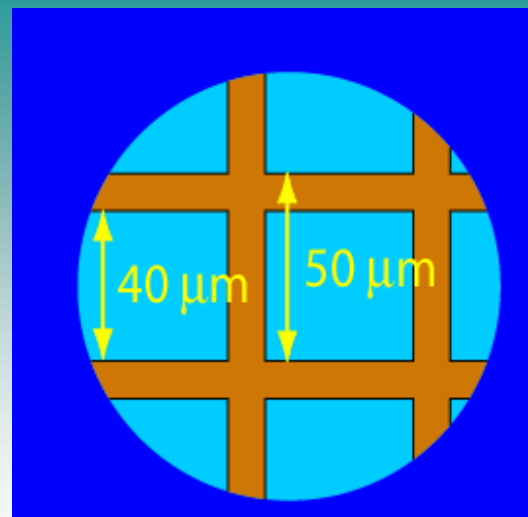
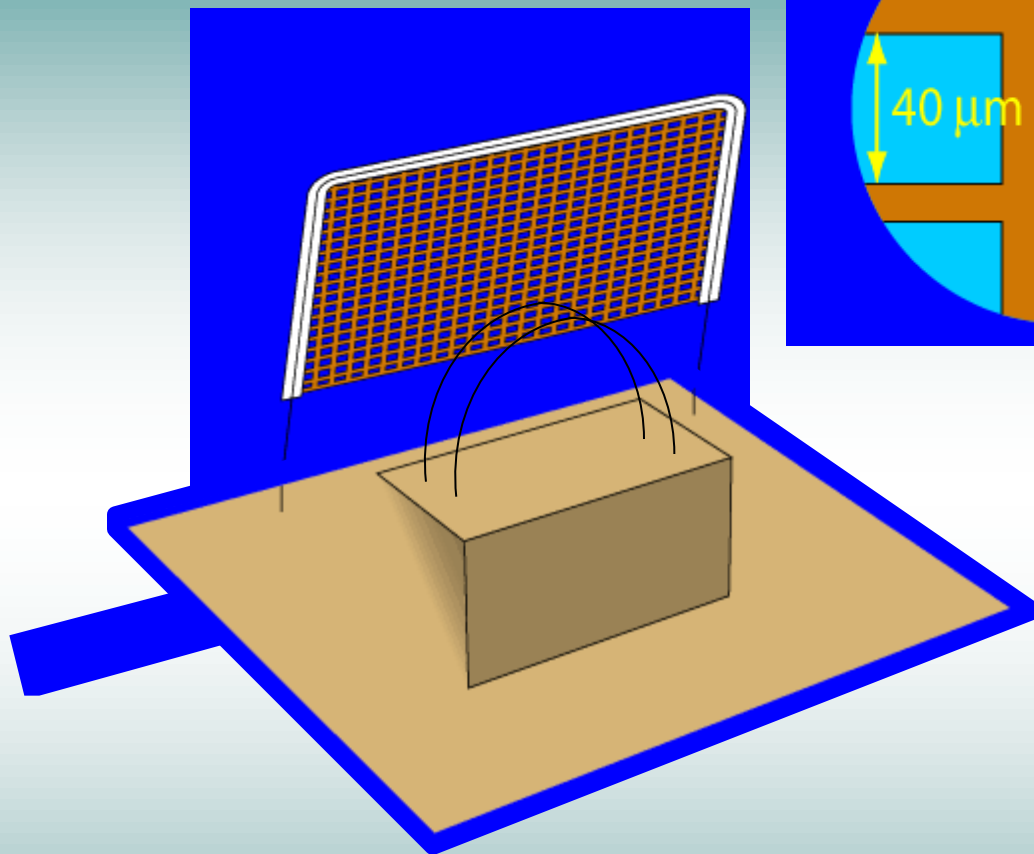
# Vibrating grid in $^3\text{He}$ B at low temperature - courtesy of S. Fisher

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**Temperature below 0.2 mK !!!**

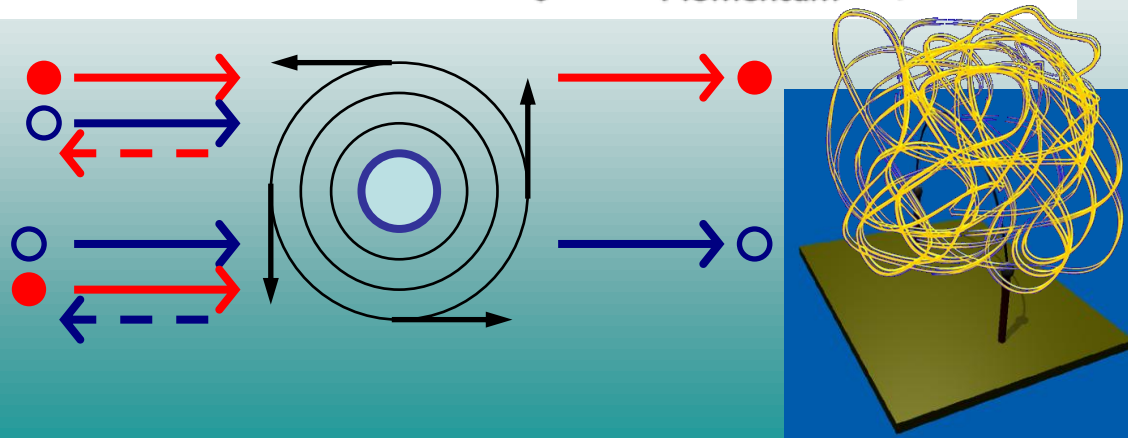
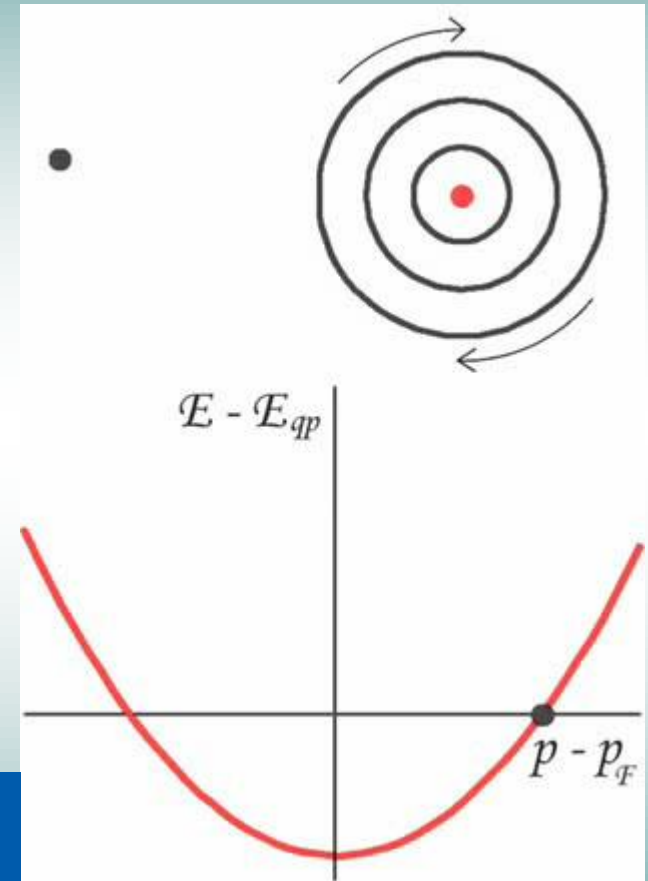
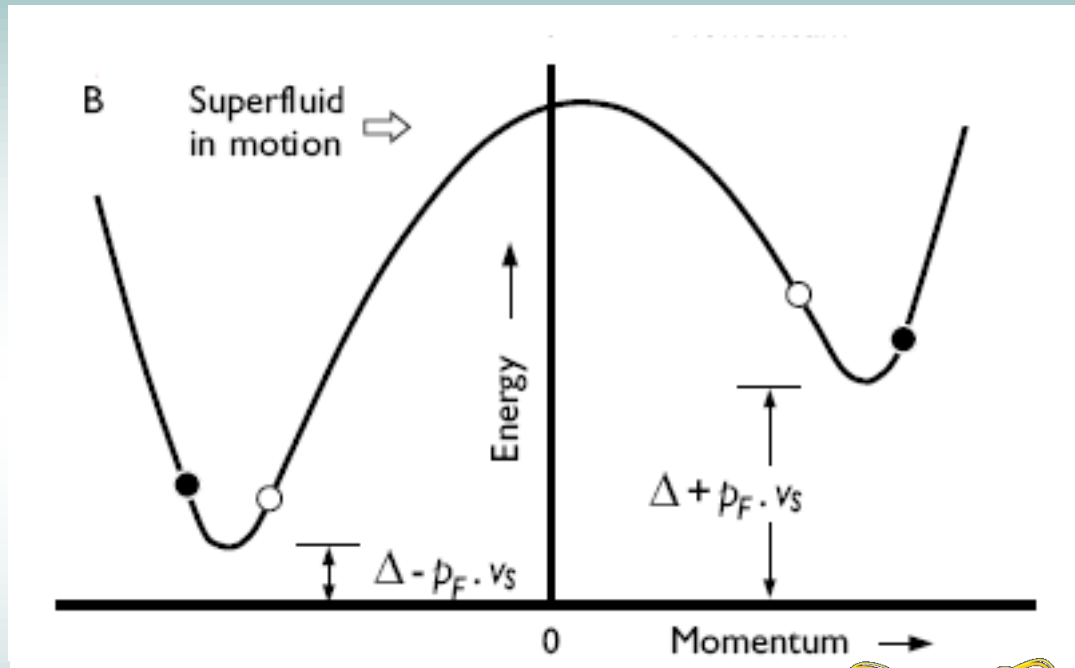




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# Andreev reflection in $^3\text{He-B}$

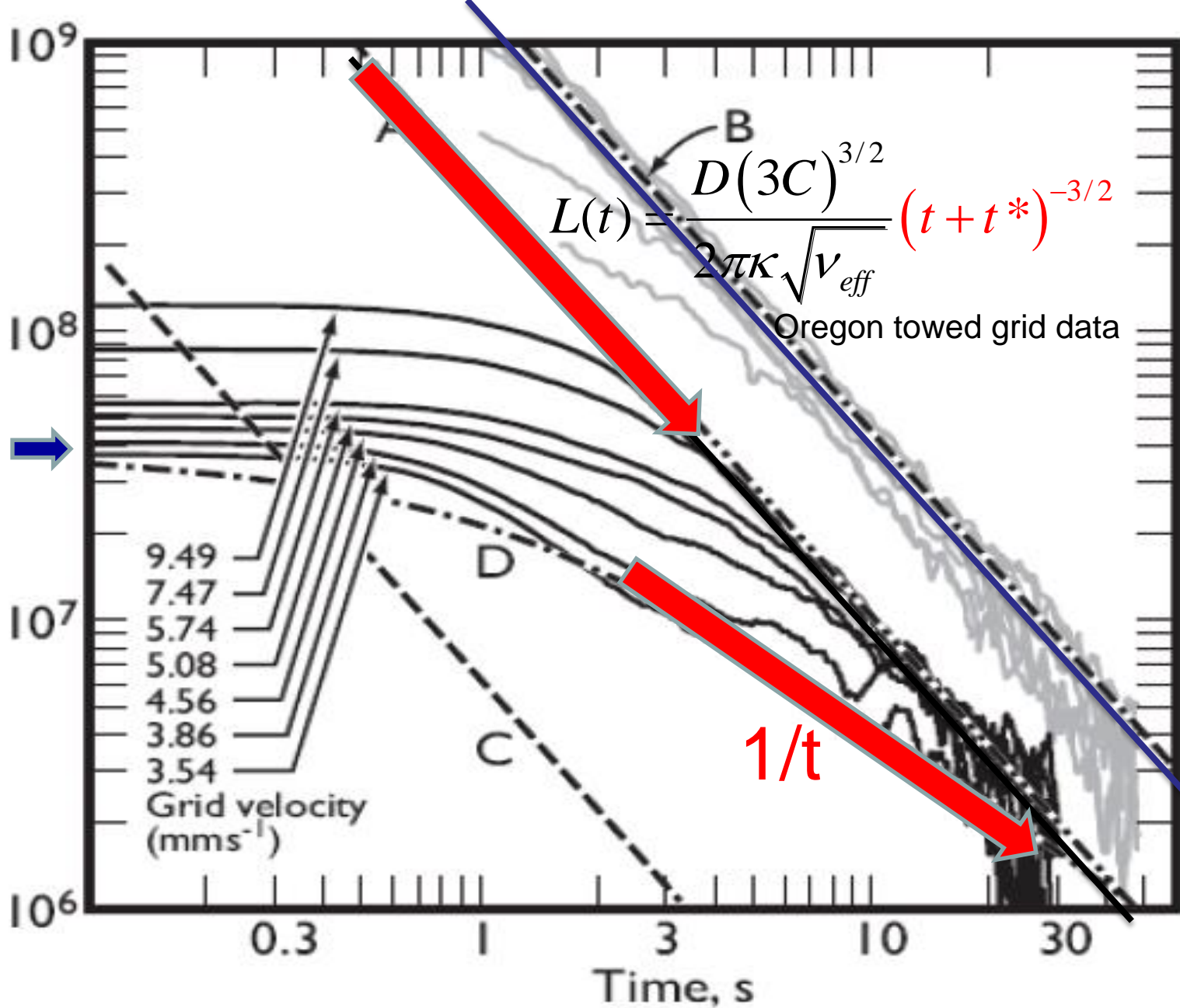
Non-classical scattering of thermal excitations - quasiparticles, quasiholes.



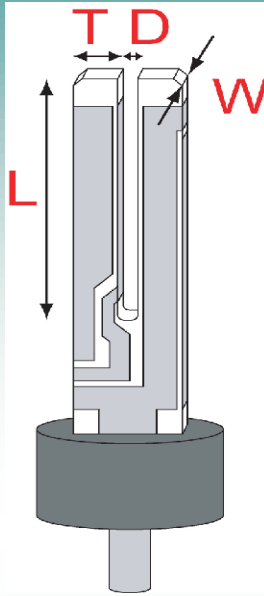
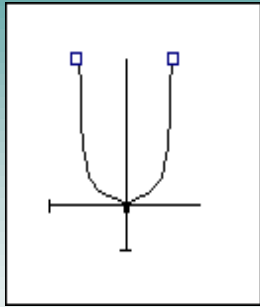
Quasiparticle damping reduced by surrounding vortices

$k_{diss} \approx (\epsilon/\nu^3)^{1/4}$  grows with grid velocity

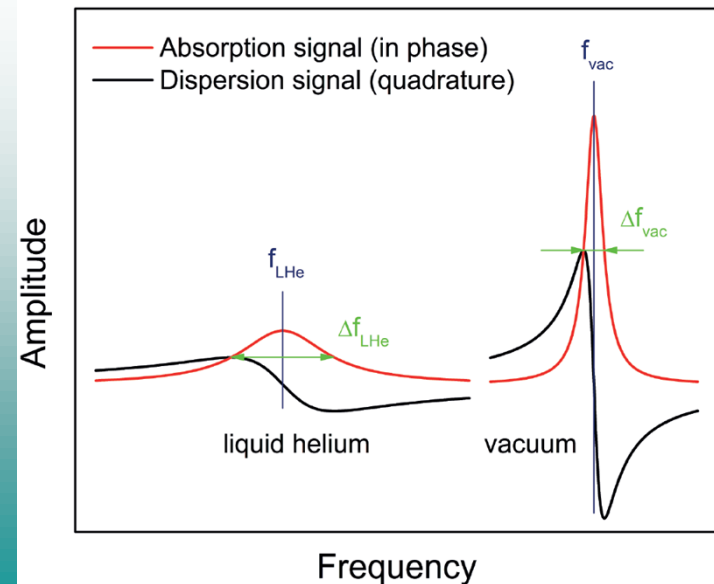
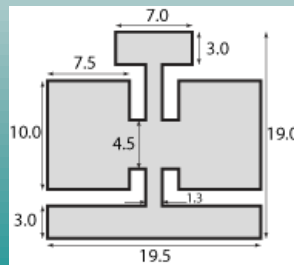
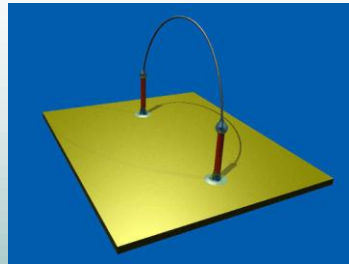
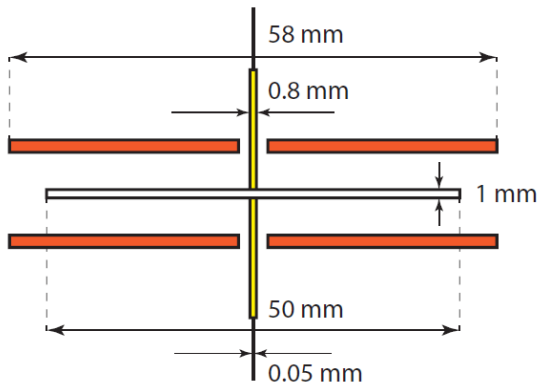
Vortex Line density,  $m^{-2}$



# Experiments with oscillating objects

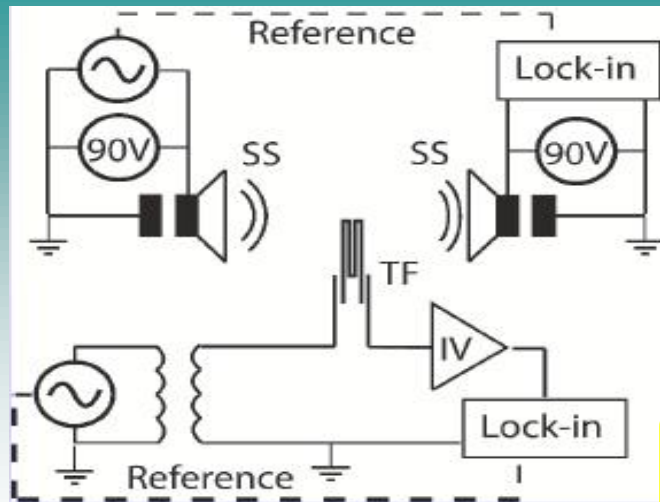


- commercial quartz tuning fork (32 kHz)
  - $L = 3.65 \text{ mm}$ ,  $T = 680 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $W = 460 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $D = 180 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ; surface  $\sim 5 - 10 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$
- custom-made tuning forks, Lancaster (quartz +  $\text{LiNbO}_3$ )
  - $L = 3.5 \text{ mm}$ ,  $T = 90 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $W = 75 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $D = 90 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ; surface  $\sim 1 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $f = 6.5 \text{ kHz}$  (41 kHz)
  - $L = 6 \text{ mm}$ ,  $T = 1.1 \text{ mm}$ ,  $W = 1 \text{ mm}$ ,  $D = 0.6 \text{ mm}$ ; surface  $\sim 1 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $f = 24.9 \text{ kHz}$ ;  $\text{LiNbO}_3$
- vibrating NbTi wire ( $d = 40 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ,  $D = 2 \text{ mm}$ )
- double-paddle, J. Luzuriaga (wing:  $10 \times 7.5 \text{ mm}^2$ ; thickness  $0.2 \text{ mm}$ )
- large torsionally oscillating disc ( $D = 40 \text{ mm}$ ,  $h = 1 \text{ mm}$ )





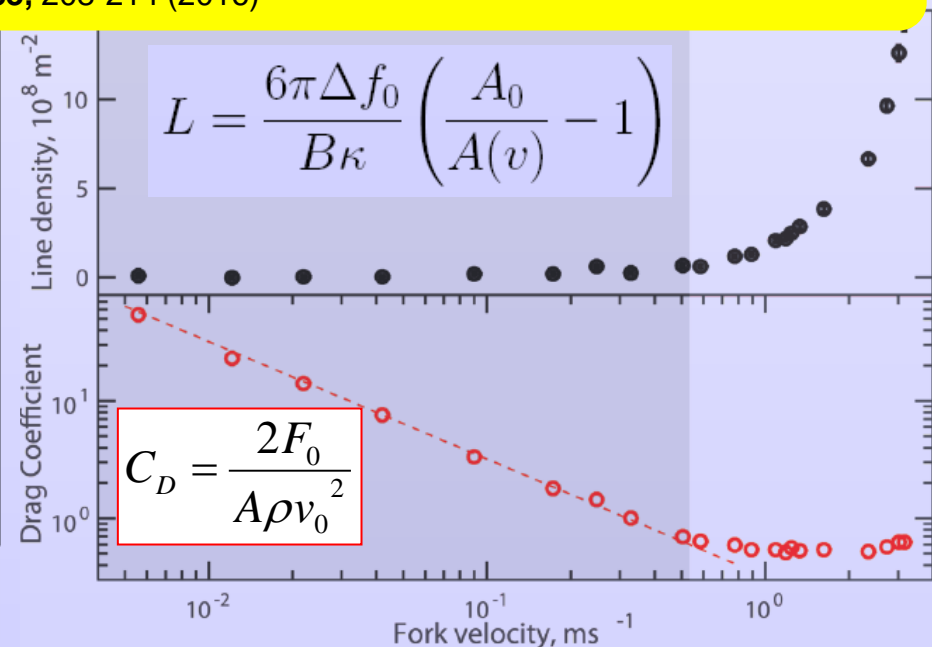
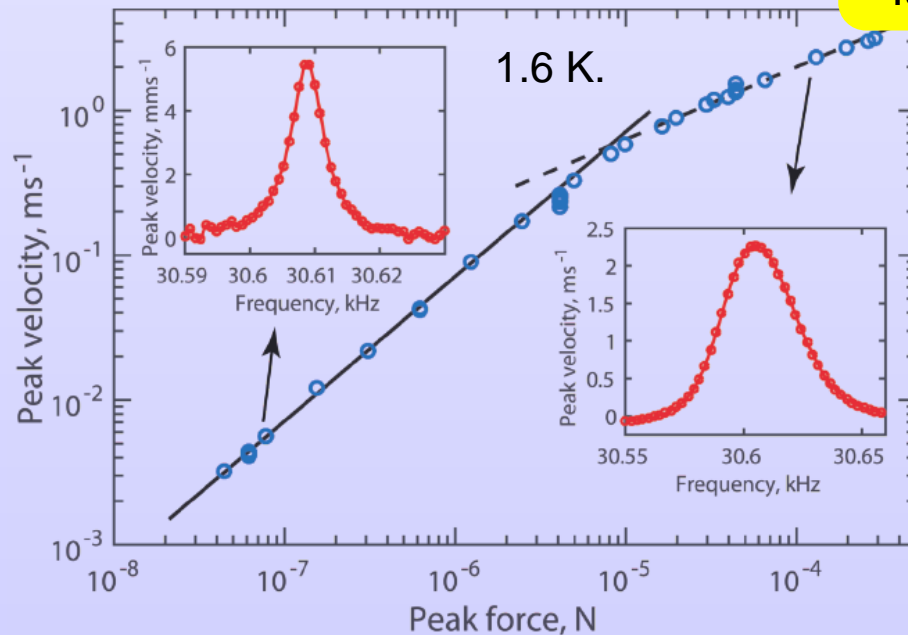
# Does the oscillating tuning fork produce quantized vortices ?



cylindrical second sound resonator



**Measurements of Vortex Line Density Generated by a Quartz Tuning Fork in Superfluid  $^4\text{He}$**  D. Schmoranzer, M.J. Jackson, LS, O. Kolosov, V. Tsepelin, A.J. Woods, J. Low Temp. Physics, **183**, 208-214 (2016)



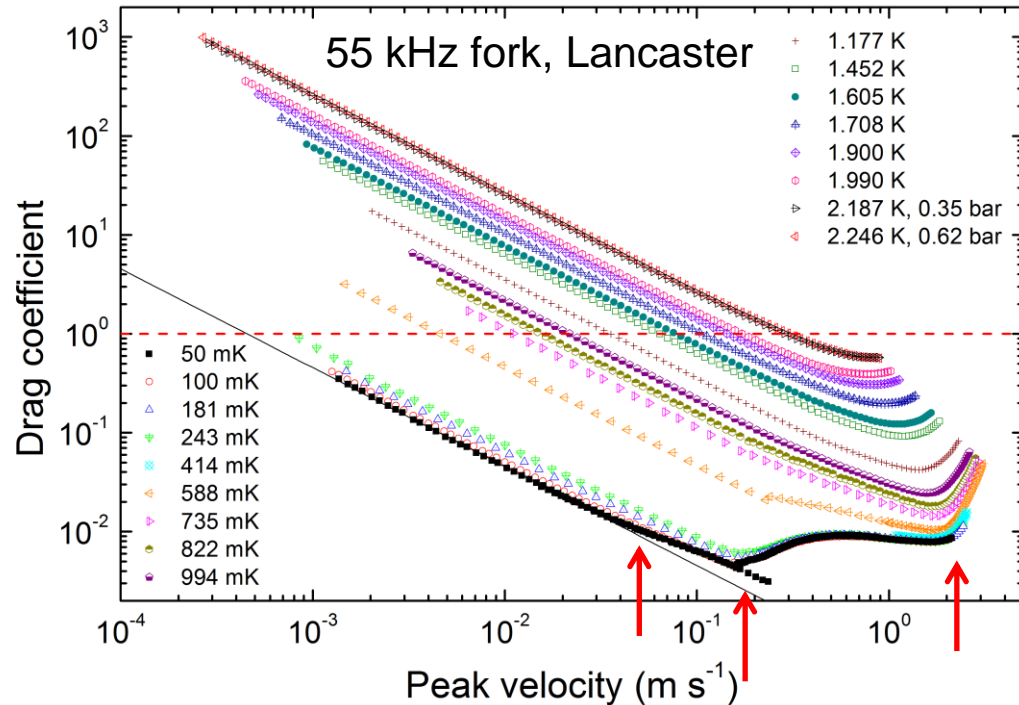
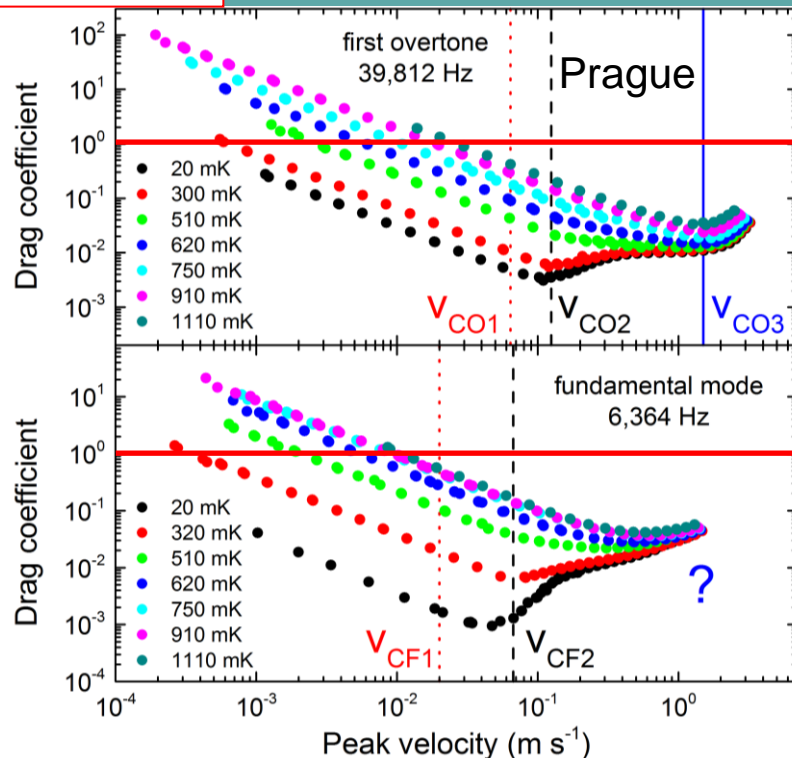
Directly tested by second sound attenuation:

Production of quantized vortices is directly related to the onset of excess damping

$$C_D = \frac{2F_0}{A\rho v_0^2}$$

Drag coefficient displays three critical velocities

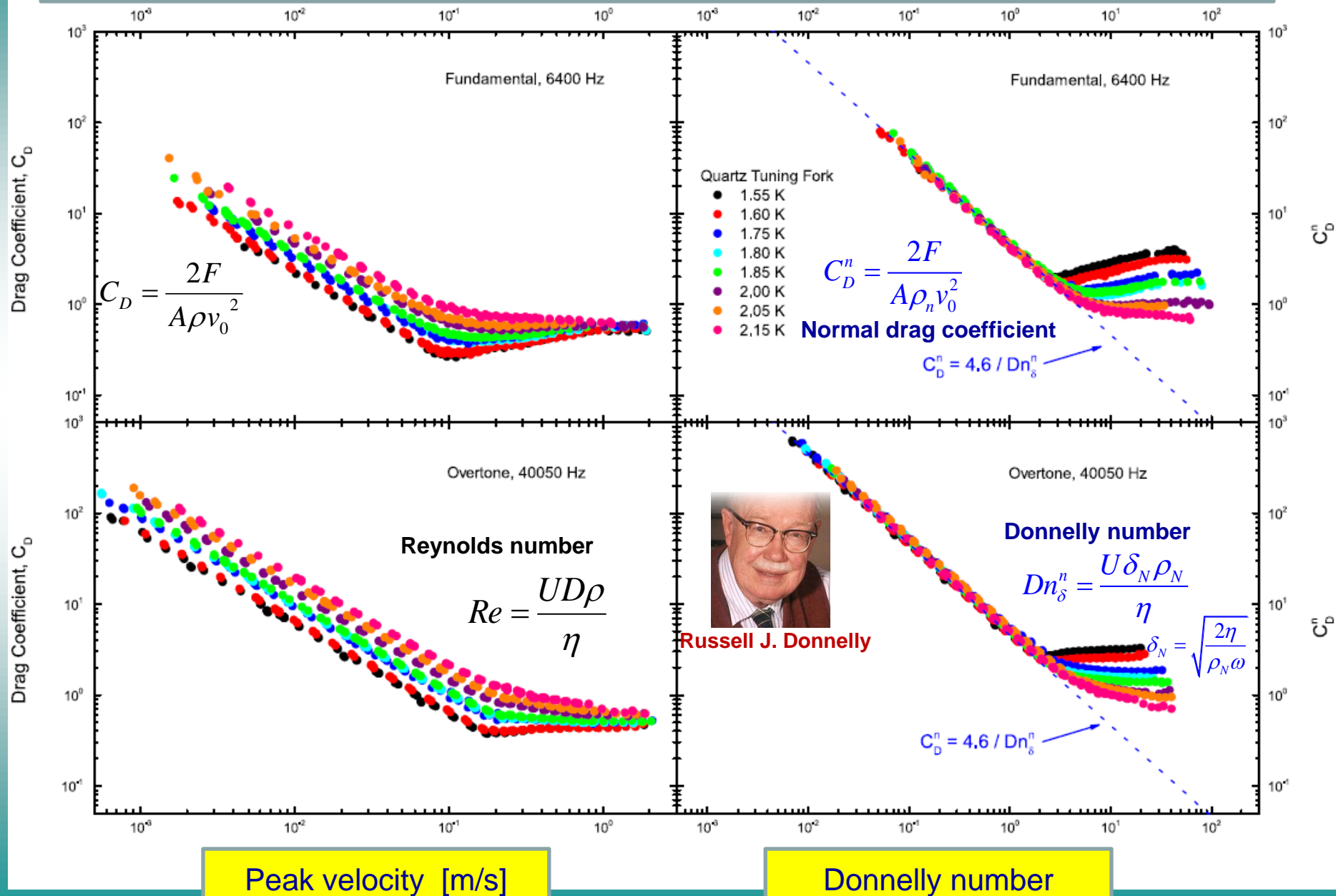
(zero  $T$  limit)



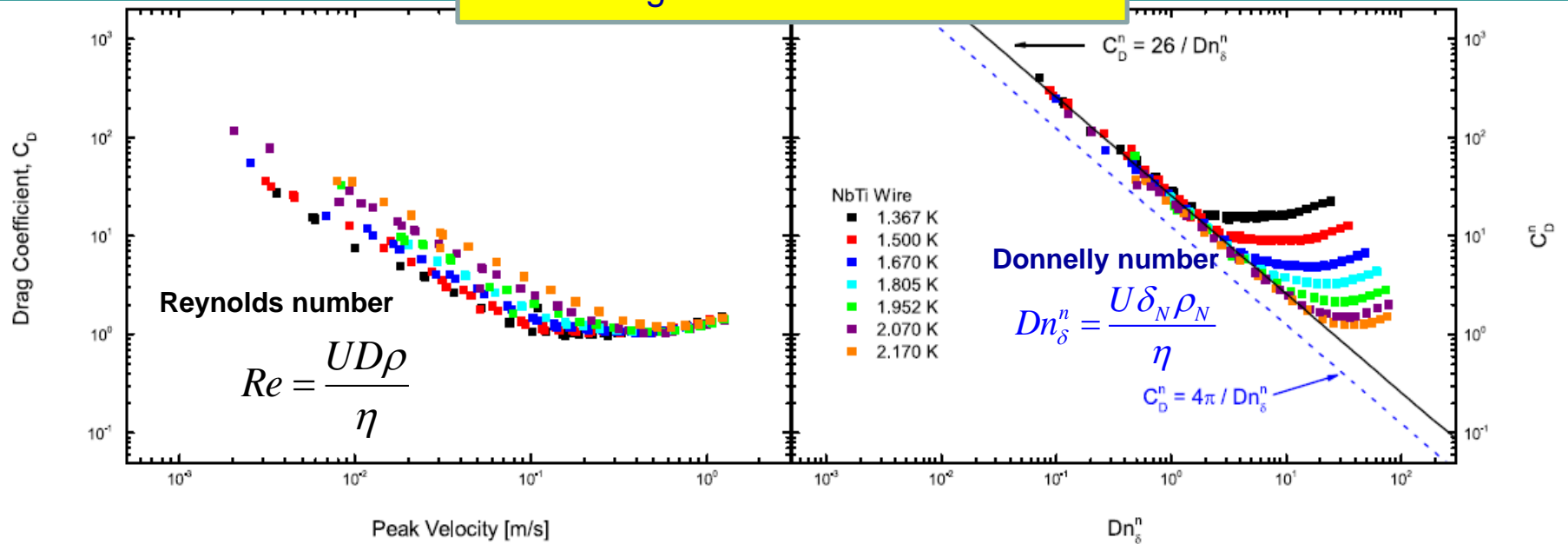
- **First critical velocity** – changes in frequency, little effect on drag force
  - effective mass rises due to vortices pinned on the oscillator surface
  - need not lead to increased drag (mostly potential flow)
- **Second critical velocity** – non-linear dissipation sets in
  - vortices spread into the bulk, carrying energy & momentum away
  - if  $C_D \ll 1$  – the “wake” past the oscillator is not classical-like, no large structures in the flow, building up the vortex tangle
- **Third critical velocity** – large structures start to develop in the tangle
  - drag rises towards classical value (full pressure drag, developed wake)

For details, see: D. Schmoranzer, M. J. Jackson, V. Tsepelin, M. Poole, A. J. Woods, M. Clovecko and LS: **Multiple Critical Velocities in Oscillatory Flow of Superfluid <sup>4</sup>He due to Quartz Tuning Forks** Phys. Rev. B **94**, 214503 (2016)

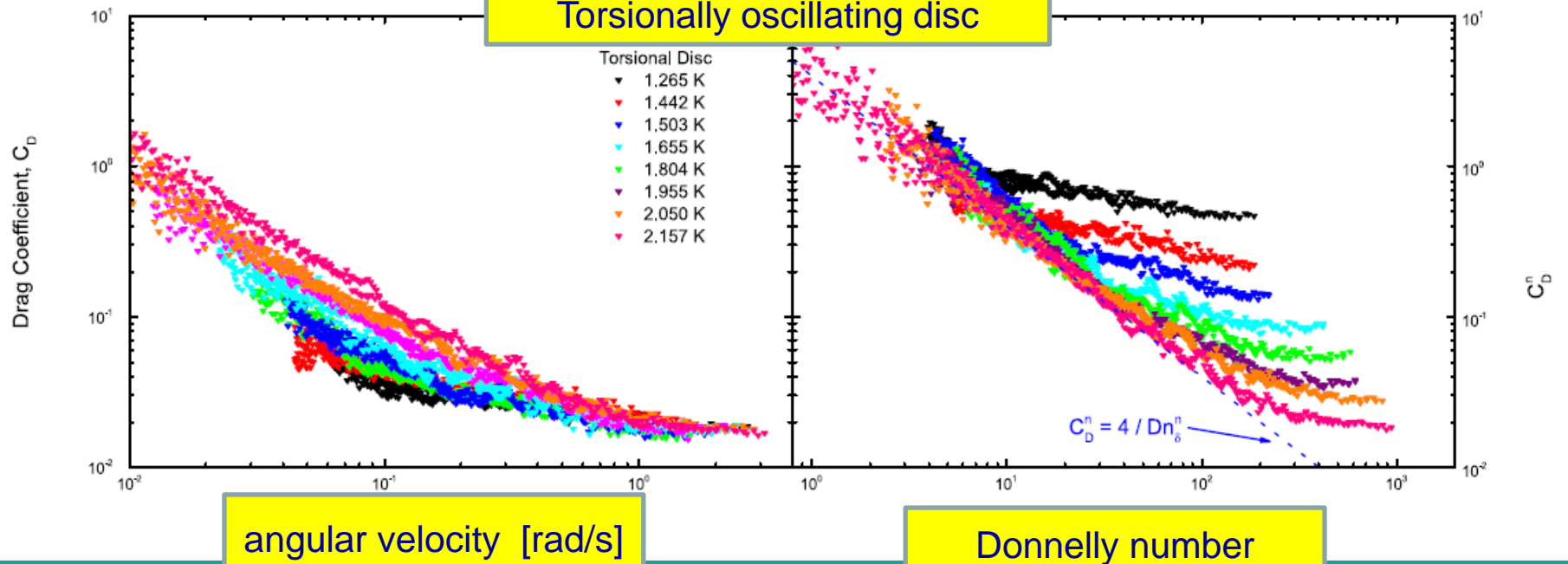
# Commercial quartz tuning fork -- drag force scaling in the two-fluid regime



# Vibrating NbTi wire 40 micron dia

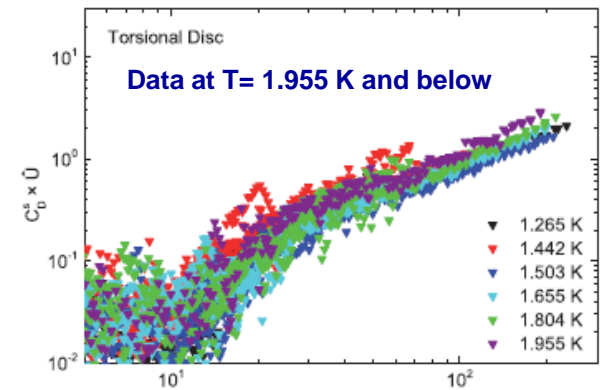
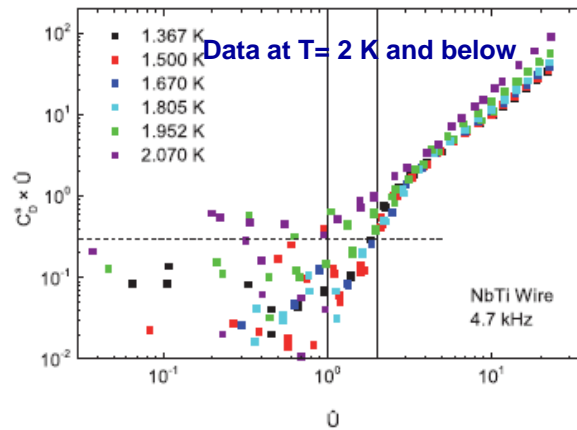
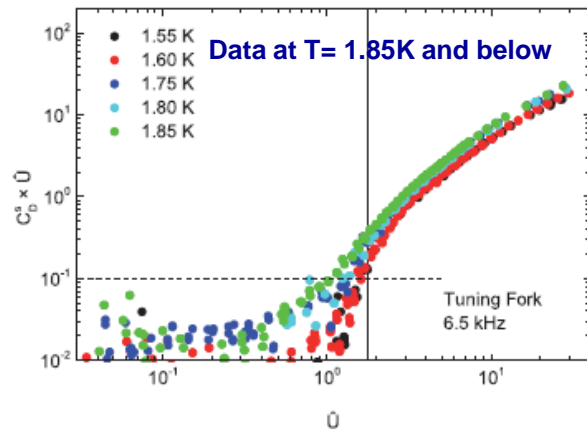
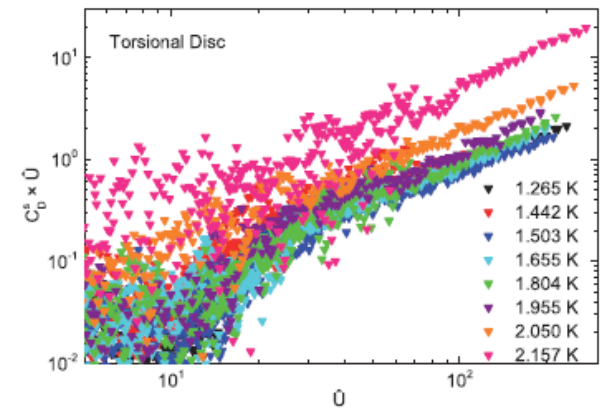
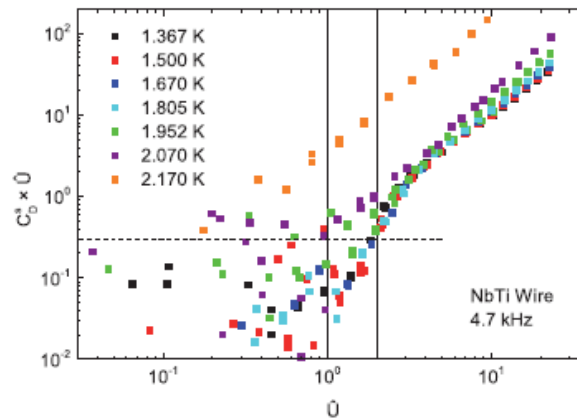
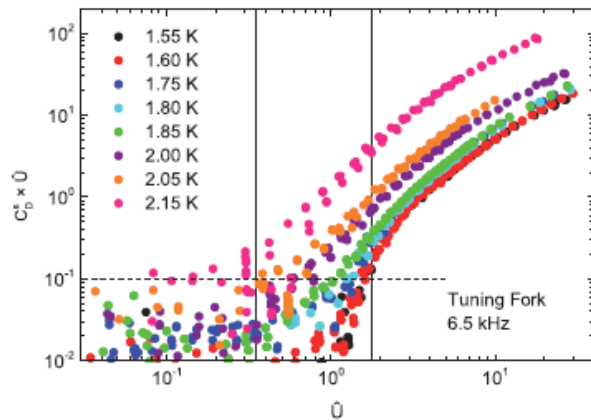


# Torsionally oscillating disc



# Plots of non-linear drag versus nondimensionalized velocity

$$U' = \frac{U}{\sqrt{\kappa\omega}}$$



- The non-linear drag contribution is  $T$ -independent below  $ome T$  showing that the superfluid component undergoes the transition alone, while the normal component remains mostly laminar.
- This is due to the kinematic viscosity of the normal component rapidly increasing as temperature is decreased.

**In He II, normal component flow may be laminar even if turbulence exists in the superfluid component, like in 3He-B**



# Summary

- All forms of  $4\text{He}$  - cryogenic helium gas, normal liquid He I and superfluid He II – as well as superfluid  $3\text{He-B}$  - serve as outstanding working fluids for **cryogenic fluid dynamics** and **quantum turbulence**

- Extremely high  $\text{Re}$  and  $\text{Ra}$  flows can be studied under controlled laboratory conditions

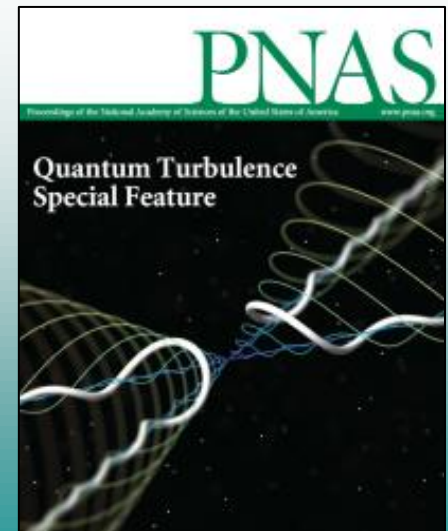
- Quantum turbulence** has been investigated over 50 years -a lot is known about it, but it is still only partly understood

- In the zero temperature limit QT represents the simplest prototype of turbulence

- At finite temperature, in the two-fluid regime, QT is more complex than classical turbulence, combining classical turbulence in the normal fluid with the dynamics of the vortex tangle in the superfluid, coupled by the mutual friction force

**Does  $4\text{He}$ , together with other quantum fluids, hold the key to unlocking the underlying physics of fluid turbulence?**

**Plenty of interesting physics to play with...**



# Introduction to quantum turbulence

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## Visualization of two-fluid flows of superfluid helium-4

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## Andreev reflection, a tool to investigate vortex dynamics and quantum turbulence in $^3\text{He-B}$

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## Quantum turbulence generated by oscillating structures

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## Direct observation of Kelvin waves excited by quantized vortex reconnection

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## Dynamics of quantum turbulence of different spectra

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## Quantum turbulence in superfluids with wall-clamped normal component

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## Modeling quantum fluid dynamics at nonzero temperatures

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## Experimental, numerical, and analytical velocity spectra in turbulent quantum fluid

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## Vortex filament method as a tool for computational visualization of quantum turbulence

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## Wave turbulence in quantum fluids

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## Vortices and turbulence in trapped atomic condensates

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