

# lecture 11. BCS theory and Bogoliubov method

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§ BCS Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_{k\sigma} a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma} - \frac{g(k_1, k_2; q)}{2} \sum_{k_1, k_2, q} a_{-k_2, \sigma}^\dagger a_{-k_2+q, \sigma'}^\dagger a_{-k_1+q, \sigma'} a_{k_1, \sigma}$$

where we assume an attractive interaction

BCS ansatz:

$$\Psi(r_1, r_2, \dots, r_N; \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_N) = N^{-1/2} A \{ \varphi(r_1, r_2; \sigma_1, \sigma_2) \varphi(r_3, r_4; \sigma_3, \sigma_4) \dots \varphi(r_{N-1}, r_N; \sigma_{N-1}, \sigma_N) \}$$

where  $A$  is antisymmetrization between the pairs  $(r_1, \sigma_1 \Leftrightarrow r_3, \sigma_3, \text{eg})$  and  $\varphi(r_1, r_2; \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  is antisymmetric for the exchange of  $(r_1, \sigma_1 \Leftrightarrow r_2, \sigma_2)$ .

For singlet superconductor

$$\varphi(r_1, r_2; \sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\uparrow_1 \downarrow_2 - \downarrow_1 \uparrow_2) \varphi(|r_1 - r_2|)$$

$$\text{where } \varphi(|r_1 - r_2|) = \sum_{\vec{k}} \chi(\vec{k}) e^{i\vec{k}(r_1 - r_2)} \Rightarrow$$

$$\varphi(r_1, r_2; \sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\vec{k}} \chi(\vec{k}) [ (k\uparrow)_1, (-k\downarrow)_2 - (-k\downarrow)_1, (k\uparrow)_2 ]$$

$$\text{i.e. } \chi(\vec{k}) = \chi(-\vec{k}).$$

In the second quantization language.

$$\varphi(r_1, r_2; \sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \sum_{\vec{k}} \chi(\vec{k}) a_{k\uparrow}^\dagger a_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger |vac\rangle, \text{ the many-body}$$

state can be written

$$\Psi_N = \underbrace{N^{-1/2}}_{\text{normalization factor}} \left[ \sum_{\vec{k}} \chi(\vec{k}) a_{k\uparrow}^\dagger a_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \right]^{N/2} |vac\rangle, \text{ such a wavefunction has a fixed number } N.$$

BCS method is to release the fixed particle-number constraint  $H - \mu N$ .

$$\psi = \exp\left[\sum_k \chi(k) a_{k\uparrow}^+ a_{-k\downarrow}^+\right] |vac\rangle = \prod_k \exp[\chi(k) a_{k\uparrow}^+ a_{-k\downarrow}^+] |vac\rangle$$

$$= \left(\prod_k (1 + \chi_k a_{k\uparrow}^+ a_{-k\downarrow}^+)\right) |vac\rangle$$

any higher order term vanishes due to  $(a_{k\uparrow}^+)^2 = (a_{-k\downarrow}^+)^2 = 0$ .

The fixed particle number constraint can be put by the chemical potential.

### §: pairing states

Let's just consider the pair of state of  $k\uparrow$ , and  $-k\downarrow$ , they can support four states  $|0\uparrow 0\downarrow\rangle, |0\uparrow 1\downarrow\rangle, |0\downarrow 1\uparrow\rangle, |1\uparrow 1\downarrow\rangle$ .

the  $\Psi = \prod_k \phi_k$ , where  $\phi_k = \underbrace{|0\uparrow 0\downarrow\rangle_k + |1\uparrow 1\downarrow\rangle_k}_{\chi_k} \rightarrow u_k |0\uparrow 0\downarrow\rangle_k + v_k |1\uparrow 1\downarrow\rangle_k$  normalize

with  $|u_k|^2 + |v_k|^2 = 1$ , we can set  $u_k$  to be real and positive.

The parameter  $v_k$  can be determined up to a phase  $v_k e^{i\varphi}$ , where  $\varphi$  is independent of  $k$ . But for different pairs,  $\varphi$  has to be the same, which describes the global phase coherence.

we can define

$$\Psi(\varphi) = \prod_k [u_k |0\uparrow 0\downarrow\rangle + v_k e^{i\varphi} |1\uparrow 1\downarrow\rangle]$$

then by doing  $\Psi_N = \int_0^{2\pi} \Psi(\varphi) \exp\{-i\frac{N}{2}\varphi\} d\varphi$ ,

where  $\Psi_N$  is the particle number eigenstate,  $\Psi(\varphi)$  is the phase state.

### ξ: optimization of the BCS Wave function

$$\langle \sum_{k\sigma} (S_k - \mu) a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma} \rangle + \langle H_{int} \rangle = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k \langle n_{k\sigma} \rangle + \langle H_{int} \rangle$$

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$$\langle K \rangle = 2 \sum_k \epsilon_k |v_k|^2$$

$$\langle H_{int} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k_1, k_2} g(k_1, k_2) \langle a_{k_2, \sigma}^\dagger a_{-k_2, \sigma}^\dagger a_{-k_1, \sigma} a_{k_1, \sigma} \rangle$$

$$\langle a_{k_2, \sigma}^\dagger a_{-k_2, \sigma}^\dagger a_{-k_1, \sigma} a_{k_1, \sigma} \rangle = \langle a_{k_2, \sigma}^\dagger a_{-k_2, \sigma}^\dagger \rangle \langle a_{-k_1, \sigma} a_{k_1, \sigma} \rangle. \quad (\text{BCS channel decoupling})$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle H_{int} \rangle = \sum_{k_1, k_2} g(k_1, k_2) \langle a_{k_2, \uparrow}^\dagger a_{-k_2, \downarrow}^\dagger \rangle \langle a_{-k_1, \downarrow} a_{k_1, \uparrow} \rangle$$

$$\langle 0_\uparrow 0_\downarrow | a_{-k_1, \downarrow} a_{k_1, \uparrow} | \uparrow_\uparrow \downarrow_\downarrow \rangle = u_{k_1}^* v_{k_1} = F_{k_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle H_{int} \rangle = - \sum_{k_1, k_2} g(k_1, k_2) F_{k_1} F_{k_2}^*, \quad \text{where } F_{k_1} = u_{k_1}^* v_{k_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle |H - \mu N| \rangle = 2 \sum_k S_k v_k^2 - \sum_{k_1, k_2} g(k_1, k_2) u_{k_1}^* v_{k_1} u_{k_2} v_{k_2}^*$$

using parametrization  $u_k = \cos \theta_k, v_k = \sin \theta_k \Rightarrow$

$$\langle |H - \mu N| \rangle = 2 \sum_k S_k \sin^2 \theta_k - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k_1, k_2} g(k_1, k_2) \sin 2\theta_{k_1} \sin 2\theta_{k_2}$$

$$= \sum_k S_k [\cos 2\theta_k + 1] - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k_1} \sin 2\theta_{k_1} \sum_{k_2} g(k_1, k_2) \sin 2\theta_{k_2}$$

do variation

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_k} \langle |H - \mu N| \rangle = + 2 \xi_k \sin 2\theta_k - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cos 2\theta_k \sum_{k'} g(k, k') \sin 2\theta_{k'} = 0$$

$$\text{define } \Delta_k = \sum_{k'} g(k, k') \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta_{k'} \Rightarrow$$

$$\xi_k \sin 2\theta_k - \cos 2\theta_k \Delta_k = 0 \Rightarrow \tan 2\theta_k = \frac{\Delta_k}{\xi_k}$$

$$\cos 2\theta_k = \frac{\xi_k}{\sqrt{\Delta_k^2 + \xi_k^2}}, \quad \sin 2\theta_k = \frac{\Delta_k}{\sqrt{\Delta_k^2 + \xi_k^2}}$$

the gap equation (BCS)

$$\Delta_k = \sum_{k'} g(k, k') \frac{\Delta_{k'}}{\sqrt{\Delta_{k'}^2 + \xi_{k'}^2}}, \quad \text{where } \xi_k = \epsilon_k - \mu.$$

§ Bogoliubov - method

$$H_{MF} = \sum_{k\sigma} \xi_{k\sigma} a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma} + \sum_k \left[ a_{k\uparrow}^\dagger a_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \Delta_k + a_{-k\downarrow} a_{k\uparrow} \Delta_k^* \right]$$

$$+ \sum_{k_1 k_2} \frac{g(k_1, k_2)}{2} \langle a_{k_1\sigma}^\dagger a_{-k_1\bar{\sigma}}^\dagger \rangle \langle a_{-k_2\bar{\sigma}} a_{k_2\sigma} \rangle$$

$$\text{where } \Delta_k = \frac{-1}{V} \sum_{k'} g(k, k') a_{-k'\downarrow}^\dagger a_{k'\uparrow}$$

$$\text{Thus for each momentum } k, \quad H = \sum_k \begin{pmatrix} a_{k\uparrow}^\dagger & a_{-k\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_k & \Delta_k \\ \Delta_k^* & -\xi_k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{k\uparrow} \\ a_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ \xi_k + \sum_{k'} \frac{g(k, k')}{2} \langle a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{-k\bar{\sigma}}^\dagger \rangle \langle a_{-k'\bar{\sigma}} a_{k'\sigma} \rangle$$

introduce Bogoliubov transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{k\uparrow} \\ a_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_k & -\sin \theta_k \\ \sin \theta_k & \cos \theta_k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{k\uparrow} \\ \beta_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{k\uparrow} \\ \beta_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_k & \sin \theta_k \\ -\sin \theta_k & \cos \theta_k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{k\uparrow} \\ a_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger) \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} & \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \\ -\sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} & \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_{\mathbf{k}} & \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \\ \Delta_{-\mathbf{k}}^* & -\xi_{\mathbf{k}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} & -\sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \\ \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} & \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \\ \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger) \begin{pmatrix} \xi_{\mathbf{k}} \cos 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \sin 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} & -\xi_{\mathbf{k}} \sin 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \cos 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \\ -\xi_{\mathbf{k}} \sin 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \cos 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} & -\xi_{\mathbf{k}} \cos 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \sin 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \\ \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix}$$

Set  $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}$  to be real

$$\text{set } \tan 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}} \quad \cos 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2}} \quad \sin 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger) \begin{pmatrix} E_{\mathbf{k}} & \\ & -E_{\mathbf{k}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \\ \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\hbar\omega_{\mathbf{k}} - 1/2) (\alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} + \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow})$$

The excitation spectrum:  $E_{\mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2} = \sqrt{(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \mu)^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2}$

$$u_{\mathbf{k}}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2}} \right), \quad v_{\mathbf{k}}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2}} \right).$$

gap equation

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{-1}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} g(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \langle a_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow} a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \rangle$$

$$a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} = \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} - \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger, \quad a_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow} = \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} + \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger$$

$$\langle a_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow} a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \rangle = -\sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \left[ \langle \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \rangle - \langle \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \rangle \right]$$

$$= 2 \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \cos 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \langle \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} - \langle \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger \rangle \right\} / 2$$

$$= \sin 2\theta_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{2} \tanh \frac{\beta E_{\mathbf{k}}}{2} = \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}}{2\sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2}} \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} \sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}'}{(2\pi)^3} |g(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}')| \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}'}/2}{\sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}'}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}'}^2}} \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} \sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}'}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}'}^2} \quad \text{gap equation!}$$

Let us consider the simplified version  $|g(k, k')| = g \Rightarrow \Delta_k$  doesn't depend on  $k$ .

$$\Delta = gN(0) \int_{-\hbar\omega_D}^{\hbar\omega_D} d\epsilon \frac{\Delta}{2\epsilon_k} \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} \epsilon_k$$

i.e.  $\frac{1}{gN(0)} = \int_{-\hbar\omega_D}^{\hbar\omega_D} d\epsilon \frac{1}{2\epsilon_k} \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} \epsilon_k$

1° at  $T=0K$ ,  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{gN(0)} = \int_0^{\hbar\omega_D} d\epsilon_k \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_k^2 + \Delta^2}} = \sinh^{-1} \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{\Delta}$

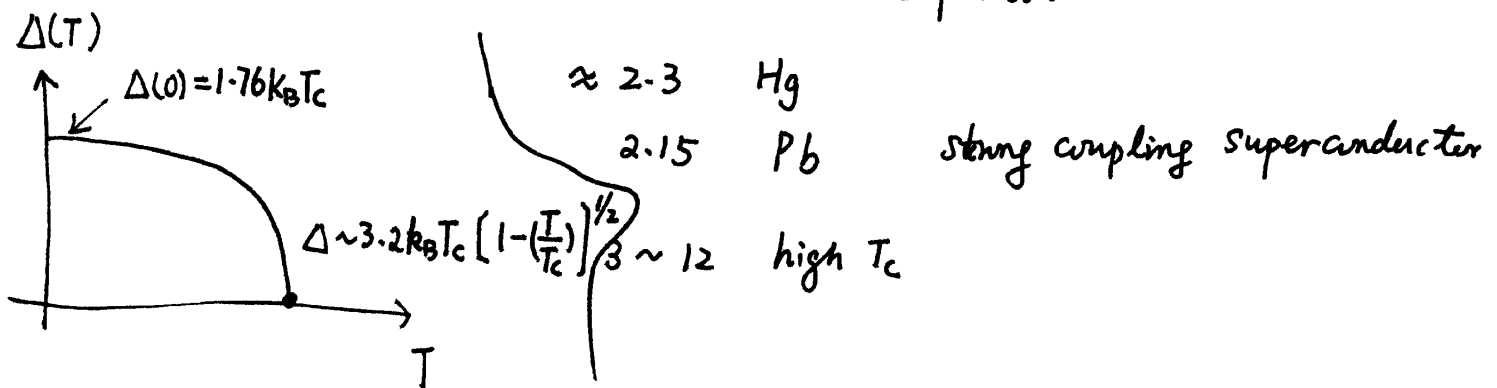
$$\Delta = \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{\sinh \frac{1}{N(0)g}} \sim 2\hbar\omega_D e^{-\frac{1}{N(0)g}} \text{ at } gN(0) \ll 1.$$

2° at  $T_c$ , where  $\Delta \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{gN(0)} = \int_0^{\hbar\omega_D} d\epsilon \frac{1}{\epsilon} \tanh \frac{\beta\epsilon}{2} = \ln(1.14 \beta_c \hbar\omega_D)$$

$$k_B T_c = 1.14 \hbar\omega_D e^{-\frac{1}{N(0)g}}$$

$\Rightarrow \Delta(T=0)/k_B T_c \approx 1.76$  for weak coupling BCS superconductor



## § Isotope effect.

The superconducting transition temperature  $T_c = 1.14 \hbar \omega_D e^{-\frac{1}{N(0)g}}$ .

$\omega_D$  inversely depends on  $M_{ion}^{-1/2}$ , which is a general result of the Newton

equation  $M \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = F \Rightarrow T_c \propto M^{-1/2}$ , which has been seen

in Hg, Pb, Mg, Sn, Tl etc.

## § inclusion of Coulomb interaction

The effective electron-electron interaction contains two parts: a repulsive Coulomb (screened) term, and a phonon term (attractive at  $\omega < \omega_D$ , repulsive at  $\omega > \omega_D$ ).

- We neglect the  $-g(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}')$ 's dependence on the angle of  $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}'$ , but keep its

frequency dependence.  $-g(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') = V_c - V_{ph}(\omega)$ ,  $\omega = \frac{\xi - \xi'}{\hbar}$

The gap equation

$$\Delta(\xi) = -N(0) \int d\xi' [V_c - V_{ph}(\omega)] \Delta(\xi') \frac{\tanh \frac{\beta \xi'}{2}}{2\xi'} \quad (\text{at } T_c)$$

$$= A + N(0) \int d\xi' V_{ph} \left[ \frac{\xi - \xi'}{\hbar} \right] \Delta(\xi') \frac{\tanh \frac{\beta \xi'}{2}}{2\xi'}$$

where  $A = -N(0) \int d\xi' V_c \Delta(\xi') \frac{\tanh \frac{\beta \xi'}{2}}{2\xi'}$  which is independent of  $\xi'$ .

At  $\xi' \geq \hbar \omega_D$ , the contribution is mainly from  $V_c$ , because  $V_{ph}(\omega)$  is suppressed, and we set  $\Delta(\xi) = A$  at  $\xi > \hbar \omega_D$ . We define the average

value of  $\Delta$  in the region of  $\hbar \omega_D > |\xi|$  is  $B$ . Then we have

$$B = N(0) \overline{V_{ph}} \int_{-\hbar \omega_D}^{\hbar \omega_D} d\xi' B \cdot \frac{\tanh \frac{\beta \xi'}{2}}{2\xi'} + A \approx \frac{B}{N(0) \overline{V_{ph}}} \ln \frac{\hbar \omega_D}{k_B T_c} + A$$

where  $\bar{V}_{ph}$  is kind of average value of  $V_{ph}(\omega)$  at low frequency

region. On the other hand

$$A = -N(0) \int d\xi' V_c \Delta(\xi') \frac{\tanh \frac{\beta}{2} \xi'}{2\xi'} = -N(0) V_c \left[ B \int_{-\hbar\omega_D}^{\hbar\omega_D} + A \int_{\hbar\omega_D}^{\hbar\omega_c} + A \int_{-\hbar\omega_c}^{-\hbar\omega_D} \right]$$

$$\cdot d\xi' \frac{\tanh \frac{\beta}{2} \xi'}{2\xi'} \simeq -N(0) V_c \left[ B \ln \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T_c} + A \ln \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_D} \right] \quad (*)$$

where  $\omega_c$  is a high-energy cut off for Coulomb interaction.

$$\Rightarrow B \left( 1 - N(0) \bar{V}_{ph} \ln \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T_c} \right) = A$$

$$A \left( 1 + N(0) V_c \ln \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_D} \right) = -N(0) V_c \left[ \ln \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T_c} \right] B$$

$$\Rightarrow B \left( 1 - N(0) \bar{V}_{ph} \ln \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T_c} \right) = -N(0) V_c \cdot \ln \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T_c} / \left( 1 + N(0) V_c \ln \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_D} \right) B$$

$$1 = \frac{\ln \frac{\hbar\omega_D}{k_B T_c} \left( N(0) \bar{V}_{ph} - \frac{N(0) V_c}{1 + N(0) V_c \ln \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_D}} \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow T_c = \hbar\omega_D \cdot \exp \left[ - \frac{1}{N(0) \bar{V}_{ph} - \frac{N(0) V_c}{(1 + N(0) V_c \ln \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_D})}} \right]$$

effectively the phonon-interaction strength is weakened to

$$\bar{V}_{ph} \rightarrow \bar{V}_{ph} - \frac{V_c}{(1 + N(0) V_c \ln \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_D})}$$

\* The Coulomb interaction is not very sufficient to suppress superconductivity because of the renormalization effect in the denominator.

$$* \text{ a suppression of isotope effect } \frac{\delta T_c}{T_c} = \frac{\delta \omega_D}{\omega_D} \left[ 1 - \frac{N(0) V_c}{1 + N(0) V_c \ln \frac{\omega_c}{\omega_D}} \right]$$



# Lecture 12 Thermodynamic quantities in the SC state

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## §1 Condensation energy

$$H_{MF} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \xi_{\mathbf{k}} a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} - \Delta \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^{\dagger} a_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^{\dagger} + a_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow} a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}) + \text{Vol.} \frac{\Delta^2}{g}$$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^{\dagger} \ a_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}) \begin{pmatrix} \xi_{\mathbf{k}} & \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \\ \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} & -\xi_{\mathbf{k}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \\ a_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \xi_{\mathbf{k}} + \text{Vol.} \frac{\Delta^2}{g}$$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} E_{\mathbf{k}} (\alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^{\dagger} \alpha_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} + \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^{\dagger} \beta_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}) + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\xi_{\mathbf{k}} - E_{\mathbf{k}}) + \text{Vol.} \frac{\Delta^2}{g}$$

at  $T=0 \Rightarrow \frac{E}{V} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\xi_{\mathbf{k}} - E_{\mathbf{k}}) + \frac{\Delta^2}{g}$ , because  $\Delta = \frac{g}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{\Delta}{E_{\mathbf{k}}}$

$$= \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\xi_{\mathbf{k}} - E_{\mathbf{k}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta^2}{E_{\mathbf{k}}}) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} [\xi_{\mathbf{k}} - \frac{2\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta^2}{2E_{\mathbf{k}}}]$$

$$= N(0) \int_{-\hbar\omega_D}^{\hbar\omega_D} d\epsilon [\epsilon - \frac{2\epsilon^2 + \Delta^2}{\sqrt{\epsilon^2 + \Delta^2}}] = N(0) (\hbar\omega_D)^2 [1 - \sqrt{1 + (\frac{\Delta}{\hbar\omega_D})^2}]$$

$$\approx -\frac{1}{2} N(0) \Delta^2 \quad (\hbar\omega_D \gg \Delta)$$

only electrons are within  $\pm \Delta$  of Fermi surface are significantly paired, each pair has a condensation energy  $\propto \Delta$ . Each electron lowers the energy  $\frac{\Delta}{E_F} \cdot \Delta$ , which is a tiny number.

## §2: specific heat

The Free energy  $F(T) = -k_B T \ln Z$

$$= -k_B T \sum_{\mathbf{k}} 2 \ln [e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta E_{\mathbf{k}}} + e^{\frac{1}{2}\beta E_{\mathbf{k}}}] + \text{Vol.} \frac{\Delta^2}{g}$$

$$= -k_B T \sum_{\mathbf{k}} 2 \ln [2 \cosh \frac{\beta}{2} E_{\mathbf{k}}] + \text{Vol.} \frac{\Delta^2}{g}$$

$$S = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} = k_B \sum_k 2 \ln \left[ 2 \cosh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \right] + k_B T \sum_k 2 \cdot \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left[ \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \right]$$

$$= \text{Vol.} \frac{2\Delta}{g} \frac{\partial \Delta}{\partial T}$$

according to gap equation  $\Delta = -g \sum_k \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \frac{\Delta}{2 E_k}$

$$S = k_B \sum_k 2 \ln \left[ 2 \cosh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \right] - \sum_k 2 \cdot \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \frac{E_k}{T} + \sum_k \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \frac{\Delta}{E_k} \frac{\partial \Delta}{\partial T}$$

$$- \sum_k \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \cdot \frac{\Delta}{E_k} \cdot \frac{\partial \Delta}{\partial T}$$

$$= 2k_B \left\{ \sum_k \ln \left[ 2 \cosh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \right] - \sum_k \tanh \frac{\beta}{2} E_k \frac{\beta E_k}{2} \right\}$$

which can be represented as  $S = -2k_B \sum_k (1-f_k) \ln(1-f_k) + f_k \ln f_k$

where  $f_k = \frac{1}{e^{\beta E_k} + 1}$

$$\Rightarrow C = T \frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = -\beta \frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta} = 2\beta k_B \sum_k \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial \beta} \ln \frac{f_k}{1-f_k} = -2\beta^2 k_B \sum_k E_k \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial \beta}$$

$$= -2\beta^2 k_B \sum_k E_k \cdot \frac{df_k}{d(\beta E_k)} [E_k + \beta \frac{dE_k}{d\beta}] \leftarrow \text{chain rule}$$

$$= 2\beta k_B \sum_k \left( -\frac{\partial f_k}{\partial E_k} \right) \left( E_k^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta \frac{d\Delta^2(T)}{d\beta} \right) \leftarrow \text{specific heat jump}$$

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Smooth

the first term at  $T \rightarrow T_c$ , where  $\Delta \rightarrow 0$

$$2\beta k_B \sum_k \left( -\frac{\partial f}{\partial E_k} \right) E_k^2 = 2\beta k_B \sum_k \left( -\frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi_k} \right) \xi_k^2 = C_{\text{normal electron}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 N_0 k_B^2 T \quad \text{which is a smooth term}$$

The jump term originates from the second term

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$$\Delta C = (C_S - C_N) \Big|_{T=T_c} = N_0 \beta^2 k_B \frac{d\Delta^2}{d\beta} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left(-\frac{\partial f}{\partial \epsilon}\right) d\epsilon$$

$$= \bullet N(0) \left(-\frac{d\Delta^2}{dT}\right) \Big|_{T=T_c}$$

$$\Delta(T) \approx 3.06 k_B T_c \left(1 - \frac{T}{T_c}\right)^{1/2} \text{ around } T_c \quad \left. \vphantom{\Delta(T)} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta C}{C_N} \approx 1.43.$$

At low temperature, the temperature dependance of  $\Delta(T)$  is negligible

$$C = 2\beta k_B \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(-\frac{\partial f_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial E_{\mathbf{k}}}\right) E_{\mathbf{k}}^2 = 2\beta k_B \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{\beta e^{\beta E}}{(e^{\beta E} + 1)^2} E_{\mathbf{k}}^2$$

$$\approx 2\beta^2 k_B N(0) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\epsilon e^{-\beta E} \cdot E^2 \quad e^{-\beta E} = e^{-\beta \sqrt{\Delta^2 + \epsilon^2}} = e^{-\beta \Delta} e^{-\frac{\beta \epsilon^2}{2\Delta}}$$

$$\approx 2\beta^2 k_B N(0) e^{-\frac{\Delta(0)}{k_B T}} \Delta(0) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\epsilon e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} \frac{\epsilon^2}{\Delta}}$$

$$\approx 2N(0) \frac{\Delta^2(0)}{T} \left(\frac{2\pi\Delta(0)}{k_B T}\right)^{1/2} e^{-\frac{\Delta(0)}{k_B T}}$$

§ Spin susceptibility:

For the pair of  $(k\uparrow, -k\downarrow)$ , we have a 4D Hilbert space, with ground state  $\Phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{GP}} = u_{\mathbf{k}} |0_{\uparrow} 0_{\downarrow}\rangle - v_{\mathbf{k}} |1_{\uparrow} 1_{\downarrow}\rangle$ , and the excited pair state

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{ep}} = v_{\mathbf{k}} |0_{\uparrow} 0_{\downarrow}\rangle + u_{\mathbf{k}} |1_{\uparrow} 1_{\downarrow}\rangle.$$

$$\text{Breaking pair state } \Phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{BP}} = |0_{\uparrow} 1_{\downarrow}\rangle, |1_{\uparrow} 0_{\downarrow}\rangle$$

It's clear to check that

$$a_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \Phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{GP}} = (\cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} a_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} + \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} a_{-k\downarrow}) (\cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} - \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} a_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} a_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |vac\rangle = |1_{\uparrow} 0_{\downarrow}\rangle$$

$$a_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger} \Phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{GP}} = (-\sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} a_{k\uparrow} + \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} a_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) (\cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}} - \sin\theta_{\mathbf{k}} a_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} a_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |vac\rangle = |0_{\uparrow} 1_{\downarrow}\rangle$$

$\alpha_{k\uparrow}^+ \beta_{-k\downarrow}^+ \Phi_k^{\text{GP}} = v_k |0_\uparrow 0_\downarrow\rangle + u_k |1_\uparrow 1_\downarrow\rangle$ , thus  $\Phi_k^{\text{BP}}$  have the energy of  $E_k$ .

and  $\Phi^{\text{EP}}$  has the energy of  $2E_k$ . Now add an external magnetic field  $H$ , the BP states of  $(0_\uparrow 1_\downarrow)$  and  $(1_\uparrow 0_\downarrow)$  are shifted by  $\mp \mu_B H$ .

$$\Rightarrow M = \mu_B \sum_k \frac{e^{-\beta(E_k - \mu_B H)}}{(1 + e^{-\beta E_k})^2} - \frac{e^{-\beta(E_k + \mu_B H)}}{(1 + e^{-\beta E_k})^2}$$

(the numerator is already at the linear order of  $H$ , thus we neglect the dependence on  $H$  in the denominator).

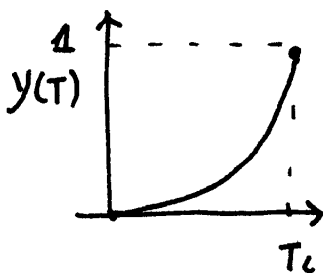
$$\chi = \frac{\partial M}{\partial H} = \mu_B^2 \sum_k \frac{e^{-\beta E_k}}{(1 + e^{-\beta E_k})^2} \cdot (2\beta) = 2\beta \mu_B^2 \frac{N(\omega)}{2} \int dE \frac{1}{(e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}E} + e^{\frac{\beta}{2}E})^2}$$

$$= \mu_B^2 \frac{N(\omega)}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\beta}{2} \text{sech}^2 \frac{\beta E}{2} dE, \text{ where } E = \sqrt{\epsilon^2 + \Delta^2}$$

$$\frac{\chi}{\chi_n} = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\beta}{2} \text{sech}^2 \frac{\beta E}{2} dE = \gamma\left(\frac{T}{T_c}\right) \leftarrow \text{Yoshida function}$$

$$\text{at } T = T_c, \quad \gamma(1) = \int_0^{+\infty} \text{sech}^2 x dx = 1$$

at low  $T$ , it's suppressed exponentially by  $e^{-\beta\Delta}$  factor



normal density / superfluid density

Suppose the walls of the superconductor is moving with a small velocity  $v$ , and let the system at thermal equilibrium. The normal state density is defined as  $\vec{p} = m \rho_n \vec{v}$ . In other word, normal density is a susceptibility corresponding to a moving field  $\vec{v}$ , which result in  $E_p \rightarrow E_p - \vec{v} \cdot \vec{p}$ . How is it related to superfluid density?

According to London equation  $J(r) = -\frac{\rho_s e^2}{mc} A(r)$ , and

$$J(r) = \sum_i j_i = \sum_i \frac{e}{m} (p_i - \frac{eA(r)}{c}) = \frac{e}{m} (p - \frac{neA}{c}) \quad n \text{ is the total density}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{e}{m} p = \frac{e}{m} \frac{eA}{c} \rho_n \Rightarrow J(r) = \frac{e}{m} (n - \rho_n) \frac{eA}{c} \Rightarrow \rho_s + \rho_n = n$$

The calculation of  $\rho_n$ : for the 4-states,  $\phi_k^{GP} = u_k |0_+ 0_+ \rangle - u_k |1_+ 1_+ \rangle$ ,  
two of  $\phi_k^{EP} = v_k |0_+ 0_+ \rangle + u_k |1_+ 1_+ \rangle$ .

do not have energy shift. The two broken pair state has the energy shift  $\pm \hbar \vec{k} \cdot \vec{v}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{p} = \sum_{\vec{k}} \hbar \vec{k} \left\{ \frac{e^{-\beta(E_k - \hbar \vec{k} \cdot \vec{v})}}{(1 + e^{-\beta E_k})^2} - \frac{e^{-\beta(E_k + \hbar \vec{k} \cdot \vec{v})}}{(1 + e^{-\beta E_k})^2} \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{\vec{k}} \hbar \vec{k} \frac{e^{-\beta E_k}}{(1 + e^{-\beta E_k})^2} 2\beta (\hbar \vec{k} \cdot \vec{v}) = \hbar^2 \sum_{\vec{k}} \vec{k} (\vec{k} \cdot \vec{v}) \frac{\beta}{2} \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{\beta E_k}{2}$$

set  $\vec{v}$  along the  $\hat{z}$ -axis, then  $\vec{p}$  is also along  $\hat{z}$ -axis  $\Rightarrow$

$$\vec{p} = \hbar^2 \sum_{\vec{k}} k^2 v \cos^2 \theta \frac{\beta}{2} \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{\beta E_{\vec{k}}}{2} = \frac{P_F^3}{N(0)} \int \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} \cos^2 \theta \int_0^\infty dE \frac{\beta}{2} \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{\beta E}{2} \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} P_F^3 [N(0)] Y(T) \Rightarrow P_n(T)/n = Y(T).$$

### § Compressibility and longitudinal field.

In the above two examples, the Cooper pair doesn't response, so that we have Yoshida type response. But in several cases, the Cooper pairs do response. For example, although the system has excitation gap, but the compressibility doesn't change much, because Cooper pair can response. Another example, is the longitudinal  $\vec{A}$  field, which can cause the condensate to flow, where the Cooper pairs are made by electrons of  $k + Q/2 \uparrow$  and  $-k + Q/2 \downarrow$ .

### § Coherent factors

Let us consider a general perturbation with the form of

$$\Delta H = \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma, \vec{k}'\sigma'} B(\vec{k}\sigma | \vec{k}'\sigma') a_{\vec{k}\sigma}^\dagger a_{\vec{k}'\sigma'}, \text{ we need to derive}$$

a general form for the transition rate.

$$a_{\vec{k}\sigma}^\dagger = u_{\vec{k}}^* \gamma_{\vec{k}\sigma}^\dagger + \bar{\sigma} v_{\vec{k}}^* \gamma_{-\vec{k}\bar{\sigma}}$$

$$a_{\vec{k}\sigma} = u_{\vec{k}} \gamma_{\vec{k}\sigma} + \bar{\sigma} v_{\vec{k}} \gamma_{-\vec{k}\bar{\sigma}}^\dagger$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta H = \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma, \vec{k}'\sigma'} B(\vec{k}\sigma | \vec{k}'\sigma') [u_{\vec{k}}^* \gamma_{\vec{k}\sigma}^\dagger + \bar{\sigma} v_{\vec{k}}^* \gamma_{-\vec{k}\bar{\sigma}}] [u_{\vec{k}'} \gamma_{\vec{k}'\sigma'} + \bar{\sigma}' v_{\vec{k}'} \gamma_{-\vec{k}'\bar{\sigma}'}^\dagger]$$

$$= \sum_{k\sigma, k'\sigma'} B(k\sigma|k'\sigma') \left[ u_k^* u_{k'} \delta_{k\sigma}^+ \delta_{k'\sigma'} + \bar{\sigma}\bar{\sigma}' v_k^* v_{k'} \delta_{-k\bar{\sigma}} \delta_{-k'\bar{\sigma}'}^+ \right. \\ \left. + u_k^* v_{k'} \bar{\sigma}' \delta_{k\sigma}^+ \delta_{-k'\bar{\sigma}'}^+ + \bar{\sigma} v_k^* u_{k'} \delta_{-k\bar{\sigma}} \delta_{k'\sigma'} \right]$$

Let us consider the transition of scattering a quasiparticle from  $k\sigma \rightarrow k'\sigma'$

$$\Rightarrow M(k\sigma|k'\sigma') = B(k\sigma|k'\sigma') \left[ u_k^* u_{k'} - \sigma\sigma' B(-k'\bar{\sigma}'|-k\bar{\sigma}) v_{-k'}^* v_{-k} \right]$$

Let us assume  $B(k\sigma|k'\sigma') = \eta \sigma\sigma' B(-k'\bar{\sigma}'|-k\bar{\sigma})$ , where  $\eta = +1$  case I  
 $-1$  case II

$$\Rightarrow M(k\sigma|k'\sigma') = B(k\sigma|k'\sigma') \left[ u_k^* u_{k'} - \eta v_{k'}^* v_{-k} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{The transition rate } \dot{\nu} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |M(k\sigma|k'\sigma')|^2 \left[ f(E_{k'}) (1-f(E_k)) \right. \\ \left. - f(E_k) (1-f(E_{k'})) \right] \times \delta(E_k - E_{k'} - \hbar\omega)$$

$\Rightarrow$  power absorption

$$W = \sum_{k, k'} \dot{\nu} \hbar\omega = 2\pi\omega B^2 \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} N_s(E) N_s(E') dE dE' (uu' - \eta vv')^2 \\ \cdot [f(E') - f(E)] \delta(E - E' - \hbar\omega) \quad \epsilon = \sqrt{E^2 - \Delta^2}$$

where  $B^2 = \overline{|B(k\sigma|k'\sigma')|^2}$  is kind of an average.

$$N_s(\epsilon) = N(0) \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{\epsilon^2 - \Delta^2}} \quad (\epsilon > \Delta), \quad \left[ N_s(\epsilon) = N(\epsilon) \cdot \frac{d\epsilon}{dE} = N(0) \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{\epsilon^2 - \Delta^2}} \right]$$

Jacobian

$$(uu' - \eta vv')^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{\epsilon\epsilon'}{\epsilon\epsilon'} - \eta \frac{\Delta^2}{\epsilon\epsilon'} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow W = 4\pi\omega B^2 N(\omega) \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE' \left[ \frac{E \cdot E' - \eta \Delta^2}{\sqrt{E^2 - \Delta^2} \sqrt{E'^2 - \Delta^2}} \right]$$

$$\left[ f(E') - f(E) \right] \delta(E - E' - \hbar\omega).$$

The normalstate result can be obtained by setting  $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ .

$$\frac{W}{W_N} = \left[ \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE' \frac{E \cdot E' - \eta \Delta^2}{\sqrt{E^2 - \Delta^2} \sqrt{E'^2 - \Delta^2}} \left[ f(E') - f(E) \right] \delta(E - E' - \hbar\omega) \right]$$

$$\cdot \left[ \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE' \left[ f(E') - f(E) \right] \delta(E - E' - \hbar\omega) \right]^{-1}$$

$$\text{The denominator} = \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \left[ f(E - \hbar\omega) - f(E) \right] = -\hbar\omega \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \frac{\partial f}{\partial E} = \hbar\omega \frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta\Delta}}$$

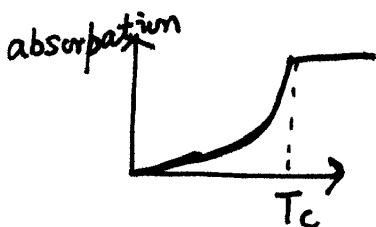
$\rightarrow \hbar\omega$  at  $\Delta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{W}{W_N} = \frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE' \frac{E E' - \eta \Delta^2}{\sqrt{E^2 - \Delta^2} \sqrt{E'^2 - \Delta^2}} \left[ f(E') - f(E) \right] \delta(E - E' - \hbar\omega)}$$

Example: ultra sonics

$$\Delta H_0 = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'\sigma} U V(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}') a_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}'\sigma'} \Rightarrow \text{type I, } \Rightarrow \eta = 1$$

$$\frac{W}{W_N} = \frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \frac{E^2 - \Delta^2}{E^2 - \Delta^2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial E}(-\hbar\omega) = \frac{2}{1 + e^{\beta\Delta}}$$





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2) Nuclear relaxation:  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ 

$$\Delta H = \sum J_{kk'} a_{k\uparrow}^\dagger a_{k'\downarrow} + \text{h.c.} \quad J_{kk'} = J_{k'-k}$$

because the flipping of spin, it belongs to type II,  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\omega}{\omega_N} = \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} dE \frac{E^2 + \Delta^2}{E^2 - \Delta^2} \left( -\frac{\partial f}{\partial E} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1/T_1}{1/T_{1n}}$$

