

To lowest order in gradients, this gives ($e=1$)

$$S[\mathcal{D}, A] = \int d\tau d^2z c_1 [\partial_\tau \phi]^2 + c_2 [\vec{\nabla} \mathcal{D} + \vec{A}]$$

See AS for der. of constants: $c_1 = V$; $c_2 = \frac{n_s}{2m}$.

n_s is the superfluid density.

We are interested in response to magnetic field,

no el. field: $\phi = \alpha$, $\partial_\tau A = 0$.

For T high enough we can ignore 'temp. fluctuations' in \mathcal{D} :
(quantum) $\partial_\tau \mathcal{D} = 0$.

The Maxwell term: $\frac{1}{4} \int d^d z d\tau F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\beta}{2} \int d^2z B_{\parallel}^2$
 $(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})^2$

This gives:

$$S[\mathcal{D}, A] = \frac{\beta}{2} \int d^d z \left[\frac{n_s}{m} (\vec{\nabla} \mathcal{D} - A)^2 + (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})^2 \right]$$

See AS for integration over \mathcal{D} (quadratic):

$$S[A] = \frac{\beta}{2} \int \frac{1}{q} \left(\frac{n_s}{m} + q^2 \right) A_q^\perp A_q^\perp$$

$\hookrightarrow \perp$ to q .

So, the Goldstone mode (phase) was integrated out, giving a mass to the A field: $\frac{n_s}{m}$.

We say that a SC is in a Higgs phase

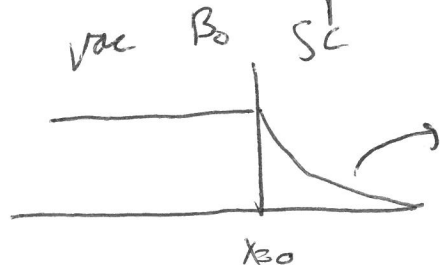
To see the consequences: vary the action:

$$\left(\frac{n_s}{m} + q^2\right) A(x) = 0 \rightsquigarrow \left(\frac{n_s}{m} - \nabla^2\right) A(z) = 0$$

Take curl: $\left(\frac{n_s}{m} - \nabla^2\right) B(z) = 0$ 1st London eq.

When $n_s \neq 0$, there cannot be a non-zero ~~const~~ constant \vec{B} -field: Meissner effect.

At the edge of a SC in a field:



$$B(x) \sim B_0 \exp(-x/\lambda)$$

$\lambda = \sqrt{m/n_s}$: penetration depth.

The field diminishes due to screening currents:

$$\vec{j}(z) = \frac{\delta S}{\delta A} = \frac{\delta}{\delta A(z)} \int dz \frac{n_s}{2m} A \cdot A = \frac{n_s}{m} A(z)$$

$A(z)$ & $B(z)$ have same profile, so currents decrease in the SC; they cancel the \vec{B} -field

Zero resistance! $\phi = 0$, so $\vec{E} = -i\partial_t \vec{A}$, \mathcal{L}

2nd London eq: $-i\partial_t \vec{j} = \frac{n_s}{m} (-i)\partial_t A = \frac{n_s}{m} \vec{E}$, or in

real time: $\partial_t \vec{j} = \frac{n_s}{m} \vec{E}$. \vec{j} increases in an \vec{E} -field.

Ballistic transport (ω_c ; can not have gradients in \vec{E})

Bose-Einstein Condensation

Concept can be understood in terms of a free theory:

$$Z_0 = \int D(\bar{\Psi}, \Psi) e^{-\left[\sum_{a,n} \bar{\Psi}_{an} (-i\omega_n + \epsilon_a - \mu) \Psi_{an} \right]}$$

↑
boson field!

where we assume that the ground state $\epsilon_0 = 0$, and $\epsilon_a \geq 0$.

For the free theory, we need $\mu < \epsilon_0 = 0$, otherwise the integral diverges.

The number of particles: $N(\mu) = -\partial_\mu F = -\partial_\mu (-T \log Z)$
 $= -\partial_\mu (-T \log Z) = T \partial_\mu \log Z$

$$* N(\mu) = T \sum_{a,n} \frac{1}{i\omega_n - \epsilon_a + \mu} = \sum_a n_B(\epsilon_a), \text{ where}$$

$$n_B(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} - 1} \text{ Bose-Einstein distribution}$$

For given number of particles, this gives a relation μ as a function of T .

As T goes down, $\beta = \frac{1}{T}$ goes up, so $n_B(\epsilon)$ goes down, so μ has to increase to compensate.

At some $T = T_c$, even $\mu = 0$ will not suffice to keep $n_B(\epsilon \neq \epsilon_0)$ large enough,

$$\sum_a n_B(\epsilon_a) \Big|_{\mu=0} \equiv N_1 < N$$

This ~~mean~~ means that one needs $N_0 = N - N_1$ ~~par~~, a macroscopic number, of particles in the ground state!

This is Bose-Einstein condensation, observed in 1995, for Rubidium atoms, at ~ 200 K

To describe this, we have to look at $\psi_0(T)$.

However, $\epsilon_0 = \mu = 0$; and $\omega_0 = 0$, so the integral over $d(\bar{\psi}_0, \psi_0)$ is unbounded.

~~So~~ But, we can ~~view~~ treat ψ_0 as a 'Lagrange multiplier', which sets the total number of particles:

$$S_0[\bar{\psi}, \psi] = -\bar{\psi}_0 \beta \mu \psi_0 + \sum_{a \neq 0, n} \bar{\psi}_{an} (-i\omega_n + \epsilon_a - \mu) \psi_{an}$$

To get the number of particles, we differentiate wrt μ , and set $\mu = 0$ afterwards:

$$N = -\partial_\mu F \Big|_{\mu=0} = \bar{\psi}_0 \psi_0 + T \sum_{a \neq 0, n} \frac{1}{i\omega_n - \epsilon_a} = \bar{\psi}_0 \psi_0 + N_1$$

So, $\bar{\psi}_0 \psi_0 = N_0$ is the number of particles in the condensate.