

BCS theory

o) BCS mean-field theory

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k\sigma} U_{kk'} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{-k\sigma} c_{k'\sigma} c_{k'\sigma}^\dagger$$

mean field approximation

$$0 = (\hat{A} - \langle \hat{A} \rangle)(\hat{B} - \langle \hat{B} \rangle) = \hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{A}\langle \hat{B} \rangle - \hat{B}\langle \hat{A} \rangle + \langle \hat{A} \rangle \langle \hat{B} \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{A}\hat{B} \approx \hat{A}\langle \hat{B} \rangle + \hat{B}\langle \hat{A} \rangle - \langle \hat{A} \rangle \langle \hat{B} \rangle$$

in BCS theory $\hat{A} = c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}$, $\hat{B} = c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow}$

$$H_{BCS} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k\sigma} U_{kk'} \left[\langle c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} \rangle c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} \langle c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow} \rangle - \langle c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} \rangle \langle c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow} \rangle \right]$$

let define $\Delta_k = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k'} U_{kk'} \langle c_{-k'\downarrow} c_{k'\uparrow} \rangle$

$$\Delta_k^\dagger = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k'} U_{kk'} \langle c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} \rangle$$

$$H_{BCS} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} - \sum_k \Delta_k^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow} - \sum_k \Delta_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} + \text{const.}$$

o) Bogoliubov - Valatin transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{k\uparrow} \\ \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_k^\dagger & -v_k \\ v_k^\dagger & u_k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{k\uparrow} \\ c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{ \gamma_{k\uparrow}, \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger \} &= u_k^\dagger u_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow} - u_k^\dagger v_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} - v_k^\dagger u_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger + v_k^\dagger v_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \\ &+ u_k v_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow} - u_k v_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger - v_k^\dagger u_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger + v_k^\dagger v_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger = \\ &= |u_k|^2 \{ c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger, c_{k\uparrow} \} - u_k^\dagger v_k \{ c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger, c_{-k\downarrow} \} - v_k^\dagger u_k \{ c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger, c_{k\uparrow} \} + |v_k|^2 \{ c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger, c_{-k\downarrow} \} = \\ &= |u_k|^2 + |v_k|^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

with this constraint the inverse transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{k\uparrow} \\ c_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_k & v_k \\ -u_k^{\dagger} & u_k^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{k\uparrow} \\ \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{BCS} &= \sum_k \left\{ \xi_k (u_k^{\dagger} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} + v_k^{\dagger} \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) (u_k \gamma_{k\uparrow} + v_k u_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) + \right. \\ &+ \xi_k (-v_k^{\dagger} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} + u_k^{\dagger} \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) (-v_k \gamma_{k\uparrow} + u_k \gamma_{-k\downarrow}) - \\ &- \Delta_k (-v_k \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} + u_k \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) (u_k \gamma_{k\uparrow} + v_k \gamma_{-k\downarrow}) - \\ &\left. - \Delta_k (u_k^{\dagger} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} + v_k^{\dagger} \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) (-v_k \gamma_{k\uparrow} + u_k \gamma_{-k\downarrow}) \right\} = \\ &= \sum_k \left\{ (\xi_k |u_k|^2 - \xi_k |v_k|^2 + \Delta_k^{\dagger} u_k u_k + \Delta_k u_k^{\dagger} v_k^{\dagger}) \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{k\uparrow} \right. \\ &+ (-\xi_k |v_k|^2 + \xi_k |u_k|^2 + \Delta_k^{\dagger} u_k v_k + \Delta_k v_k^{\dagger} u_k^{\dagger}) \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{-k\downarrow} + \\ &+ (\xi_k u_k^{\dagger} v_k + \xi_k v_k^{\dagger} u_k + \Delta_k^{\dagger} u_k^2 - \Delta_k u_k^{\dagger 2}) \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger} + \\ &\left. + (\xi_k v_k^{\dagger} u_k + \xi_k u_k^{\dagger} v_k - \Delta_k^{\dagger} v_k^2 + \Delta_k v_k^{\dagger 2}) \gamma_{-k\downarrow} \gamma_{k\uparrow} \right\} + \text{const.} \end{aligned}$$

terms with $\gamma\gamma$ and $\gamma^{\dagger}\gamma^{\dagger}$ must vanish

$$\boxed{2 \xi_k u_k^{\dagger} v_k + \Delta_k^{\dagger} u_k^2 - \Delta_k u_k^{\dagger 2} = 0}$$

let $\Delta_k = |\Delta_k| e^{i\phi_k}$

$$u_k = |u_k| e^{i\alpha_k}$$

$$v_k = |v_k| e^{i\beta_k}$$

$$0 = 2 \xi_k |u_k| |v_k| e^{i(\beta_k - \alpha_k)} + |\Delta_k| (|v_k|^2 e^{i(2\beta_k - \phi_k)} - |u_k|^2 e^{i(\phi_k - 2\alpha_k)})$$

special solution (we do not require to be real)

$$\alpha_k = 0$$

$$\beta_k = \phi_k$$

$$2\zeta_k |u_k| |v_k| + |\Delta_k| (|u_k|^2 - |v_k|^2) = 0$$

Hence

$$4\zeta_k^2 |u_k|^2 |v_k|^2 = |\Delta_k|^2 (|v_k|^4 - 2|u_k|^2 |v_k|^2 + |u_k|^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(\zeta_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2) |u_k| |v_k|^2 = |\Delta_k|^2 (|v_k|^2 + 2|u_k|^2 |v_k|^2 + |u_k|^4) =$$
$$= |\Delta_k|^2 (|u_k|^2 + |v_k|^2)^2 = |\Delta_k|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |u_k| |v_k| = \frac{|\Delta_k|}{2\sqrt{\zeta_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}}$$

and

$$|u_k|^2 - |v_k|^2 = \frac{2\zeta_k |u_k| |v_k|}{\sqrt{\zeta_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}} = \frac{\zeta_k}{\sqrt{\zeta_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}}$$

with $|u_k|^2 + |v_k|^2 = 1$ we get

$$|u_k|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{\zeta_k}{\sqrt{\zeta_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}} \right)$$

$$|v_k|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\zeta_k}{\sqrt{\zeta_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}} \right)$$

$$|u_k| |v_k| = \frac{|\Delta_k|}{2\sqrt{\zeta_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}}$$

1) BCS Hamiltonian and excitation spectrum

$$H_{BCS} = \sum_k \left(\frac{\xi_k^2}{\sqrt{\xi_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}} + \frac{|\Delta_k|^2}{\sqrt{\xi_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}} \right) (\gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger \gamma_{k\uparrow} + \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \gamma_{-k\downarrow}) + \text{const.}$$

$$= \sum_k \sqrt{\xi_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2} (\gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger \gamma_{k\uparrow} + \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \gamma_{-k\downarrow}) + \text{const.}$$

Using that $\xi_{-k} = \xi_k$, $|\Delta_k| = |\Delta_{-k}|$ (particle)

we find

$$H_{BCS} = \sum_{k\sigma} E_k \gamma_{k\sigma}^\dagger \gamma_{k\sigma}$$

$$E_k = \sqrt{\xi_k^2 + |\Delta_k|^2}$$

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4A and 4B

New dispersion relation for fermions!
New quasiparticles!!!

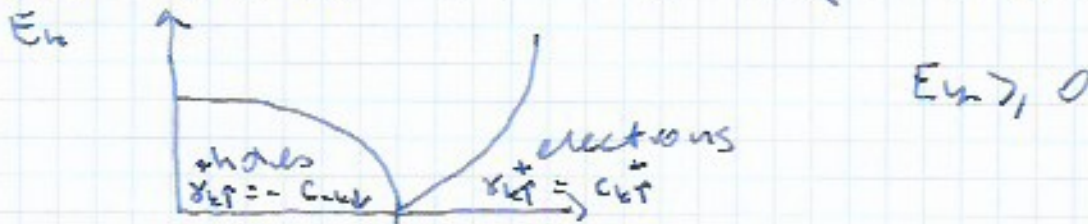
1) Normal $\Delta_k \rightarrow 0$ state

$$\xi_k := \epsilon_k - \mu$$

$$|u_k|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{\xi_k}{|\xi_k|} \right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \xi_k < 0 \\ 1 & \xi_k > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\bar{n}_k = |v_k|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_k}{|\xi_k|} \right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \xi_k < 0 \\ 0 & \xi_k > 0 \end{cases}$$

Bogoliubov quasiparticles described by γ and γ^\dagger , are holes for energies below ϵ_F ($\xi_k < 0$) and electrons for energies above ϵ_F ($\xi_k > 0$). Their dispersion is $E_k = |\xi_k|$



$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger &= u_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger - v_k c_{-k\downarrow} \\ \gamma_{k\uparrow} &= u_k c_{k\uparrow} - v_k^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \end{aligned} \quad , \quad \begin{aligned} \gamma_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger &= v_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger + u_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \\ \gamma_{-k\downarrow} &= v_k c_{k\uparrow} + u_k^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

How to define a quasi particle (particle) in QM?

Let $|\psi\rangle$ a ground state with $\hat{H}^+ = \hat{H}$

$$\hat{H} |\psi\rangle = E_0 |\psi\rangle \quad (*)$$

Let $\hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle \neq 0$ is an excited state such that

$$\hat{H} \hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle = (E_0 + \varepsilon) \hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle \quad (**)$$

Now from (*) / (**) and (**)

$$\hat{B}^+ \hat{H} |\psi\rangle - \hat{H} \hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle = -\varepsilon \hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{[\hat{B}^+, \hat{H}] = -\varepsilon \hat{B}^+}$$
 - a proper excitation / quasiparticle with energy ε

Equation of motion

$$i\hbar \frac{d\hat{B}^+}{dt} = [\hat{H}, \hat{B}^+] = \varepsilon \hat{B}^+ \quad \hat{B}^+(t) = e^{i\hat{H}t/\hbar} \hat{B} e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar}$$
$$\hookrightarrow \hat{B}^+(t) = \hat{B}^+(0) e^{-i\varepsilon t/\hbar}$$

$$|\varphi(t)\rangle = e^{-i\varepsilon t/\hbar} \hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle$$

stationary ($\varepsilon = \infty$) quasi particle state.

For other quantum numbers (energy, charge, spin, ...)

$$\hat{Q} |\psi\rangle = q |\psi\rangle$$

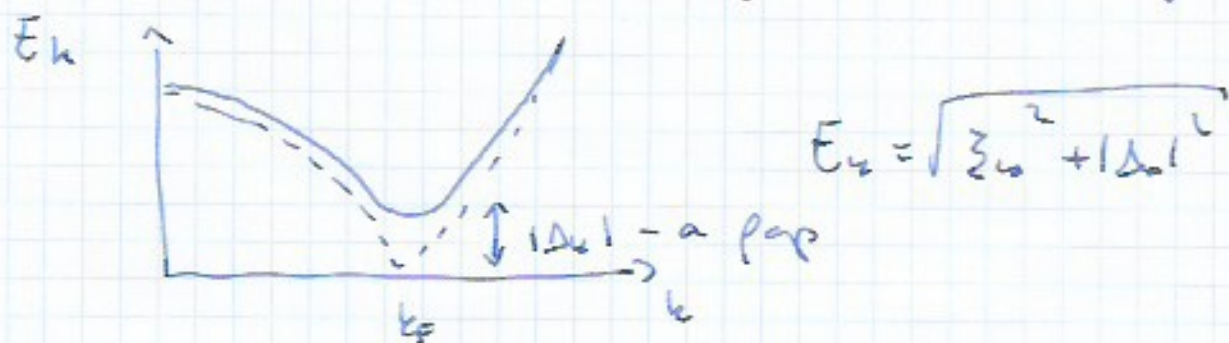
$$\hat{Q} \hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle = (q + \Delta q) \hat{B}^+ |\psi\rangle$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{[\hat{Q}, \hat{B}^+] = \Delta q \hat{B}^+}$$

\hat{B}^+ - a quasiparticle creation operator creates a quantum number \hat{Q} by Δq .

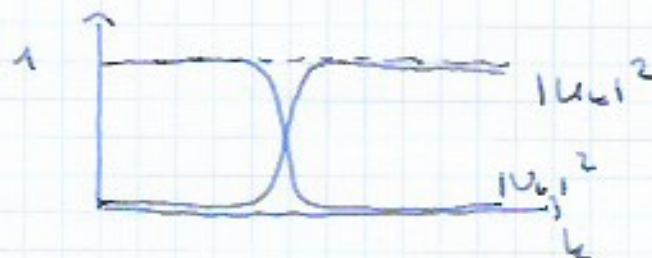
o) superconduction $\Delta_e \neq 0$ state

a gap $|\Delta_e|$ in the energy spectrum is present



the coherence u_k and v_k factors

$$0 < |u_k|^2 < 1, \quad 0 < |v_k|^2 < 1$$



$B_{k\uparrow}$ bosons quasiparticles are superpositions of electrons and holes. For $k \ll k_F$ they are mostly hole-like. For $k \gg k_F$ they are mostly electron-like. Right at the Fermi level

$$\gamma_{k\uparrow} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} c_{k\uparrow} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\phi_k} c_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}$$

a superposition of a electron ($c_{k\uparrow}$) and a hole ($c_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}$) with the same amplitude. It's charge must be neutral.

$$\gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} = \underbrace{u_k c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger}}_{\text{electron}} - \underbrace{v_k c_{-k\downarrow}}_{\text{hole}}$$

Eigenwerte

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{H}, \hat{\gamma}_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger}] &= \sum_{i'} E_{i'} [\hat{\gamma}_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{i'\uparrow}, \hat{\gamma}_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger}] = \\ &= \sum_{i'} E_{i'} [\gamma_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{i'\uparrow} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} + \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{i'\uparrow} \gamma_{i'\uparrow}] = \\ &= \sum_{i'} E_{i'} (\delta_{i'k} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} - \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{i'\uparrow} \gamma_{i'\uparrow} + \gamma_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} \gamma_{i'\uparrow} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger}) = \\ &= E_k \gamma_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\Psi_{BCS}\rangle \text{ - ground state} = \prod_k (u_k + v_k c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |0\rangle$$

electron - excitation

$$\begin{aligned} [c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} |\Psi_{BCS}\rangle] &= c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \prod_{i'} (u_{i'} + v_{i'} c_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-i'\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |0\rangle = \\ &= u_k c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} \prod_{i' \neq k} (u_{i'} + v_{i'} c_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-i'\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |0\rangle \equiv \\ &\equiv \underline{u_k |\Psi_{k\uparrow}\rangle} \end{aligned}$$

hole - like excitation

$$\begin{aligned} [c_{-k\downarrow} |\Psi_{BCS}\rangle] &= c_{-k\downarrow} \prod_{i'} (u_{i'} + v_{i'} c_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-i'\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |0\rangle = \\ &= v_k \underbrace{c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}}_{\substack{\uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \delta \quad -1 \quad 1 - c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger}}} \prod_{i' \neq k} (u_{i'} + v_{i'} c_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-i'\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |0\rangle = \\ &= -v_k c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-k\downarrow}^{\dagger} \prod_{i' \neq k} (u_{i'} + v_{i'} c_{i'\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{-i'\downarrow}^{\dagger}) |0\rangle = \\ &= \underline{-v_k |\Psi_{k\uparrow}\rangle} \end{aligned}$$

$c_{k\uparrow}^{\dagger}$ and $c_{k\downarrow}$ are not eigenoperators since the states are not normalized: $\langle \Psi_{k\uparrow} | \Psi_{k\uparrow} \rangle \neq 1$.

Bogoliubov excitation

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger |4BCS\rangle &= (u_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger - v_k c_{-k\downarrow}) |4BCS\rangle = \\ &= (|u_k|^2 + |v_k|^2) |\psi_{k\uparrow}\rangle = \underline{|\psi_{k\uparrow}\rangle} \end{aligned}$$

↑ normalized
excited state

Note that $|4BCS\rangle$ is vacuum state for $\gamma_{k\uparrow}$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger |4BCS\rangle &= (u_k^\dagger c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger - v_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger) \prod_{k' \neq k} (u_{k'} + v_{k'} c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k'\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle \\ &= u_k v_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k'\downarrow}^\dagger \prod_{k' \neq k} (u_{k'} + v_{k'} c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k'\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle - \\ &\quad - v_k u_k c_{k\downarrow}^\dagger \prod_{k' \neq k} (\dots) |0\rangle = \\ &= u_k v_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \prod_{k' \neq k} (u_{k'} + v_{k'} c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k'\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle - \\ &\quad - v_k u_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger \prod_{k' \neq k} (u_{k'} + v_{k'} c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k'\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle = 0 \end{aligned}$$

↑
in a state with
 $u_k, v_k \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$a_b + b_a = 1$$

Charge of quasiparticles

$$\hat{Q} = \sum_{k\sigma} e c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{Q}, \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger] &= \sum_{p\sigma} e [c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{p\sigma}, U_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger - V_k^- c_{-k\downarrow}] = \\ &= \sum_{p\sigma} e \left(\underbrace{c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{p\sigma} U_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger}_{\text{order } + c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{p\sigma}} - c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{p\sigma} V_k^- c_{-k\downarrow} - \right. \\ &\quad \left. U_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{p\sigma} + V_k^- c_{-k\downarrow} c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{p\sigma} \right) = \\ &= \sum_{p\sigma} e \left(c_{p\sigma}^\dagger \delta_{pk} \delta_{\sigma\uparrow} U_k + U_k \cancel{c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{p\sigma}} - V_k^- \cancel{c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{p\sigma} c_{-k\downarrow}} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + U_k \cancel{c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{p\sigma}} + V_k^- c_{p\sigma} \delta_{p,-k} \delta_{\sigma\downarrow} - V_k^- \cancel{c_{p\sigma}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow} c_{p\sigma}} \right) \\ &= e (U_k c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger + V_k^- c_{-k\downarrow}) \neq e \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger ! \end{aligned}$$

$\gamma_{k\sigma}^\dagger | \Psi_{BCS} \rangle$ - is not an eigenstate of a well defined charge.

Spin of quasiparticles

$$[\hat{S}^z, \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger] = \left[\frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_{\sigma} \sigma c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma}, \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger \right] = \frac{\hbar}{2} \gamma_{k\uparrow}^\dagger$$

$\gamma_{k\sigma}^\dagger | \Psi_{BCS} \rangle$ has a well defined spin state.

Cooper pair

$$S^z = 0, \quad Q = 2e ! \quad \text{spin-charge separation.}$$

9) Gap equation

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_k &= -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k'} V_{kk'} \langle c_{k'\downarrow} c_{k'\uparrow} \rangle = \\ &= -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k'} V_{kk'} \langle (-v_{k'} \delta_{k'\uparrow} + u_{k'} \delta_{k'\downarrow}) (u_{k'} \gamma_{k'\uparrow} + v_{k'} \gamma_{k'\downarrow}^+) \rangle = \\ &= -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k'} V_{kk'} \left\{ -u_{k'} u_{k'} \langle \delta_{k'\uparrow}^+ \delta_{k'\uparrow} \rangle - v_{k'}^2 \langle \delta_{k'\uparrow}^+ \delta_{k'\downarrow} \rangle + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + u_{k'}^2 \langle \delta_{k'\downarrow} \gamma_{k'\uparrow} \rangle + u_{k'} v_{k'} \langle \delta_{k'\downarrow} \delta_{k'\downarrow}^+ \rangle \right\} \end{aligned}$$

But $\langle \delta_{k'\uparrow}^+ \delta_{k'\uparrow} \rangle = f(E_{k'}) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta E_{k'}} + 1}$

in equilibrium $\langle \delta_{k'\uparrow}^+ \delta_{k'\downarrow}^+ \rangle = 0$

$\langle \delta_{k'\downarrow} \gamma_{k'\uparrow} \rangle = 0$

$\langle \delta_{k'\downarrow} \delta_{k'\downarrow}^+ \rangle = 1 - f(E_{k'})$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_k &= -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k'} V_{kk'} u_{k'} v_{k'} [1 - 2f(E_{k'})] = \\ &= -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k'} V_{kk'} \frac{\Delta_{k'}}{2E_{k'}} [1 - 2f(E_{k'})] \end{aligned}$$

ii) Solution for a BCS model

$$1 = v_0 \int_{-w_D}^{w_D} dz \rho(z+m) \frac{1 - 2f(\sqrt{z^2 + \Delta_0^2})}{2\sqrt{z^2 + \Delta_0^2}} =$$

$$= v_0 \int_{-w_D}^{w_D} dz \rho(z+m) \frac{\tanh\left(\frac{\beta}{2} \sqrt{z^2 + \Delta_0^2}\right)}{2\sqrt{z^2 + \Delta_0^2}} \approx$$

$$\approx v_0 \rho(\epsilon_F) \int_{-w_D}^{w_D} dz \frac{\tanh\left(\frac{\beta}{2} \sqrt{z^2 + \Delta_0^2}\right)}{2\sqrt{z^2 + \Delta_0^2}}$$

For $T=0$ ($\beta = \infty$)

$$\Delta_0(0) = 2 w_D e^{-\frac{1}{v_0 \rho(\epsilon_F)}}$$

At $T=T_c$ ($\Delta_0 = 0$)

$$1 = v_0 \rho(\epsilon_F) \int_{-w_D}^{w_D} dz \frac{\tanh\left(\frac{z}{2k_B T_c}\right)}{2z} =$$

$$= v_0 \rho(\epsilon_F) \int_0^{w_D} dx \frac{\tanh x}{x} \quad \text{by parts}$$

$$= v_0 \rho(\epsilon_F) \left\{ \ln \frac{\beta w_D}{2} + \underbrace{\tanh \frac{\beta w_D}{2}}_{\approx 1} - \int_0^{\beta w_D/2} dx \frac{1}{\cosh^2 x} \right\}$$

$$\ln \frac{\beta w_D}{2} \approx \ln \frac{\beta w_D}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k_B T_c = \frac{2e^{\gamma}}{\pi} w_D e^{-\frac{1}{v_0 \rho(\epsilon_F)}}$$

the same as from
birefringent layer
pair!

$$\frac{2\Delta_0(0)}{k_B T_c} \approx \frac{2\pi}{e^{\gamma}} \approx 3.528$$

$$\frac{\Delta_0(0)}{k_B T_c} \approx 1.76$$

	$T_c(K)$	$k_B T_c / \text{meV}$	$\rho(\epsilon_F) v_0$	$\Delta / k_B T_c$
Co	0.56	106	0.18	1.6
Al	1.2	335	0.18	1.3 - 2.1
Sn	2.35	185	0.25	1.6
Pb	2.22	96	0.28	2.2

BCS Predictions of BCS model

1) isotope effect

$$T_c, \Delta_0 \sim \omega_D e^{-\frac{1}{g\nu_0}}$$

for ^{single} oscillator $\omega \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}$

for a lattice $\omega_{ph} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \rightarrow \omega_D \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}$

$$\rightarrow T_c \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}$$

2) specific heat

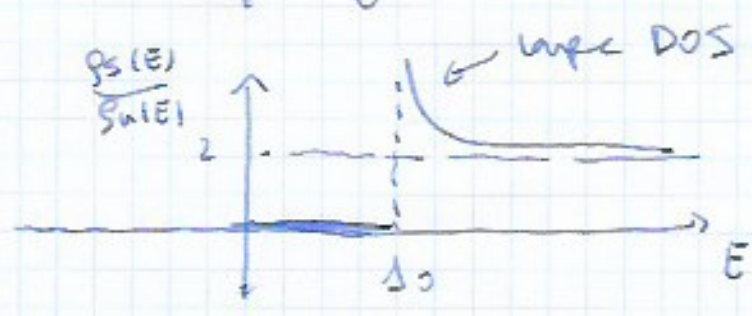


$$\Delta C = \frac{8\pi^2}{7\zeta(4)} \rho(E_F) k_B^2 T_c$$

3) tunneling density of states

$$\rho_S(E) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_k \delta(E - E_k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_k \delta(E - \sqrt{3_c^2 + 4\Delta_0^2}) =$$

$$= \begin{cases} \rho_N(E_F) \frac{2E}{\sqrt{E^2 - \Delta_0^2}} & E > \Delta_0 \\ 0 & E < \Delta_0 \end{cases}$$



a) tunneling current

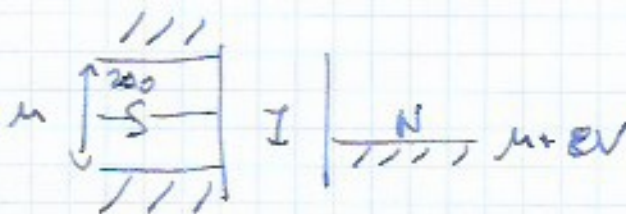


$$I_{\text{tun}} = G_{\text{tun}} V$$

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conductance

$$G_{\text{tun}} = \frac{2e^2}{h} \sum_n |t_n|^2 \rho_L(\epsilon_n) \rho_R(\epsilon_n)$$

$T=0$



$$G_{\text{SH}} = G_{\text{tun}} \frac{\rho_L^s(\text{level})}{\rho_R^n(\epsilon)}$$

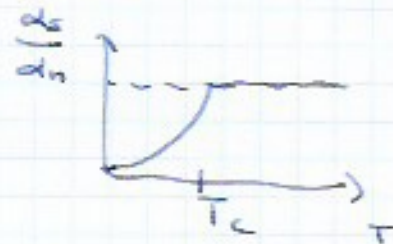
follows a DOS

$T=0$

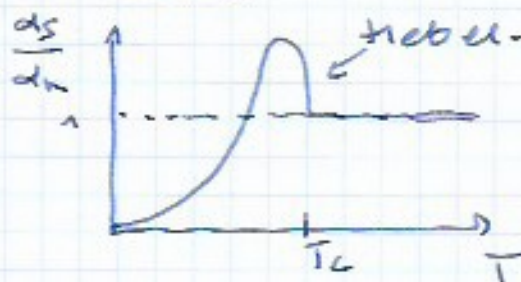


b) ultrasonic attenuation (absorption)

$$\frac{ds}{dn} = 2f(\Delta_0) = \frac{2}{e^{\beta\Delta_0} + 1}$$



c) nuclear relaxation - relaxation of nuclear spins NMR



Hebel-Slichter peak
due to large DOS