

**PHY 712 Electrodynamics**  
**10-10:50 AM MWF Olin 107**

**Plan for Lecture 32:**

**Special Topics in Electrodynamics:**

**Electromagnetic aspects of  
superconductivity -- continued**

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20	Wed: 03/19/2014	Chap. 9	Sources of Electromagnetic Waves	#19	3/21/2014
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**WFU Physics Colloquium**

**TITLE:** Advances in Organic Electronics

**SPEAKER:** Professor Brad Conrad,  
*Department of Physics and Astronomy,  
 Appalachian State University*

**TIME:** Wednesday April 16, 2014 at 4:00 PM

**PLACE:** Room 101 Olin Physical Laboratory

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Refreshments will be served at 3:30 PM in the Olin Lounge. All interested persons are cordially invited to attend.

**ABSTRACT**

Organic semiconductors offer the promise of low-cost devices on arbitrary surfaces, transparent displays, efficient OLEDs, and even biodegradable photovoltaics. Through chemical engineering, the physical and electronic properties of these new materials can be tailored to meet specific requirements and investigate interesting condensed matter physics. In this colloquium I will have a lively introduction to organic semiconductors, explore some recent advances, and briefly discuss our recent work on small organic molecule solar cells.

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**Behavior of superconducting material – exclusion of magnetic field according to the London model**

Penetration length for superconductor:  $\lambda_L^2 \equiv \frac{mc^2}{4\pi ne^2}$

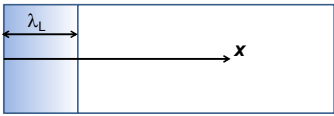
$B_z(x,t) = B_z(0,t)e^{-x/\lambda_L}$

Vector potential for  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$ :

$\mathbf{A} = \hat{y}A_y(x) \quad A_y(x) = -\lambda_L B_z(0)e^{-x/\lambda_L}$

Current density:  $J_x(x) = \lambda_L \frac{ne^2}{mc} B_z(0)e^{-x/\lambda_L}$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{J} + \frac{ne^2}{mc} \mathbf{A} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{ne}{m} \left( m\mathbf{v} + \frac{e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) = 0$       Typically,  $\lambda_L \approx 10^{-7}m$



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**Magnetization field**

Treating London current in terms of corresponding magnetization field  $\mathbf{M}$ :

$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{H} + 4\pi\mathbf{M}$

$\Rightarrow$  For  $x \gg \lambda_L$ ,  $\mathbf{H} = -4\pi\mathbf{M}$

Gibbs free energy associated with magnetization for superconductor:

$G_S(H_a) = G_S(H=0) - \int_0^{H_a} dHM(H) = G_S(0) + \frac{1}{8\pi} H_a^2$

Gibbs free energy associated with magnetization for normal conductor:

$G_N(H_a) \approx G_N(H=0)$

Condition at phase boundary between normal and superconducting states:

$G_N(H_c) \approx G_N(0) = G_S(H_c) = G_S(0) + \frac{1}{8\pi} H_c^2$

$\Rightarrow G_S(0) - G_N(0) = -\frac{1}{8\pi} H_c^2$

$G_S(H_a) - G_N(H_a) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{8\pi} (H_c^2 - H_a^2) & \text{for } H_a < H_c \\ 0 & \text{for } H_a > H_c \end{cases}$

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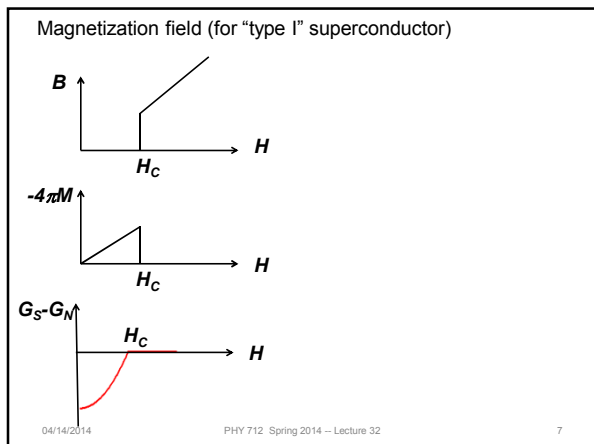
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Examples of type I superconductors

<http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/tables/supcon.html#c1>

**Superconductivity Transition Temperatures and Critical Fields**

Superconductivity parameters for elements																				
Transition temperature in Kelvin																				
Critical magnetic field in gauss (10 <sup>4</sup> oer)																				
Li	Be														B	C	N	O	F	Ne
...	0.026														...	...	...	...	...	...
Na	Mg														Al	Si*	P*	S*	Cl	Ar
...	...														1.140	7	5	...	...	...
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr*	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge*	As*	Se*	Br	Kr			
...	...	...	0.39	5.38	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.879	1.091	5	0.5	7	...	...			
...	...	...	100	1430	...	...	...	...	...	...	51	51	...	...	...	...	...			
Rb	Sr	Y*	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Su(w)	Sb*	Te*	I	Xe			
...	...	...	0.546	9.50	0.90	7.77	0.51	0.0003	...	0.56	3.4033	3.722	3.5	4	...	...	...			
...	...	...	47	1980	95	1410	70	0.049	...	30	293	309	...	...	...	...	...			
Cu*	Ba*	La(Oc)	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi*	Po	At	Rn			
1.5	5	0.00	0.12	4.483	10.012	14	0.855	0.14	...	...	4.123	2.19	7.193	8	...	...	...			
...	...	...	830	1.07	198	65	19	...	...	...	412	171	803	...	...	...	...			

Data from Kittel, Introduction to Solid State Physics, 7th Ed., Ch. 12  
 \*Superconducting only in thin films or under high pressure in a crystal modification not normally stable. Critical temperatures for those elements from Myers, Ch. 13.

It is notable that in the range of data covered by this table, the best conductors like Cu do not become superconducting at all. Neither the noble metals or the magnetic materials become superconducting. That is not to be taken as a statement that they cannot be made superconducting, it is just that the transitions to superconductivity must be at such low temperatures and require such great purity of material that they have not been demonstrated conclusively.

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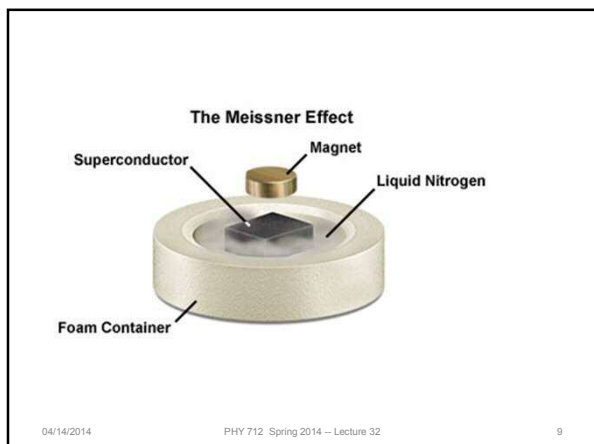
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Josephson junction -- tunneling current between two superconductors

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Josephson junction -- continued

$$B_z(x) = \begin{cases} B_0 e^{(x+d/2)/\lambda_L} & x < -d/2 \\ B_0 & -d/2 < x < d/2 \\ B_0 e^{-(x+d/2)/\lambda_L} & x > d/2 \end{cases}$$

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Josephson junction -- continued

$$A_y(x) = \begin{cases} B_0 (\lambda_L e^{(x+d/2)/\lambda_L} - (\lambda_L + d/2)) & x < -d/2 \\ B_0 x & -d/2 < x < d/2 \\ B_0 (-\lambda_L e^{-(x+d/2)/\lambda_L} + (\lambda_L + d/2)) & x > d/2 \end{cases}$$

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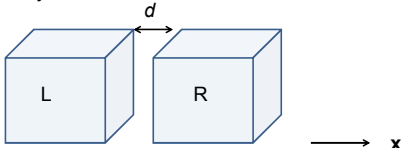
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Josephson junction -- continued



Quantum mechanical model of tunnelling current

Let  $\Psi_L = \Psi_L^0 e^{i\phi_L}$  denote a wavefunction for a Cooper pair on left

Let  $\Psi_R = \Psi_R^0 e^{i\phi_R}$  denote a wavefunction for a Cooper pair on right

$$-i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi_L}{\partial t} = E_L \Psi_L + \mathcal{E} \Psi_R$$

$$-i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi_R}{\partial t} = E_R \Psi_R + \mathcal{E} \Psi_L$$

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Josephson junction -- continued

Solving for wavefunctions

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial |\Psi_L^0|^2}{\partial t} + i |\Psi_L^0|^2 \frac{\partial \phi_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} (E_L |\Psi_L^0|^2 + \mathcal{E} \Psi_L^0 \Psi_R^0 e^{i(\phi_R - \phi_L)})$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial |\Psi_R^0|^2}{\partial t} + i |\Psi_R^0|^2 \frac{\partial \phi_R}{\partial t} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} (E_R |\Psi_R^0|^2 + \mathcal{E} \Psi_L^0 \Psi_R^0 e^{-i(\phi_R - \phi_L)})$$

$$|\Psi_L^0|^2 \equiv n_L \quad |\Psi_R^0|^2 \equiv n_R \quad \phi_{LR} \equiv \phi_L - \phi_R$$

$$\frac{\partial n_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial n_R}{\partial t} = -\frac{2\mathcal{E}}{\hbar} \sqrt{n_L n_R} \sin \phi_{LR}$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{E_L}{\hbar} - \mathcal{E} \sqrt{\frac{n_R}{n_L}} \cos \phi_{LR}$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi_R}{\partial t} = -\frac{E_R}{\hbar} - \mathcal{E} \sqrt{\frac{n_L}{n_R}} \cos \phi_{LR}$$

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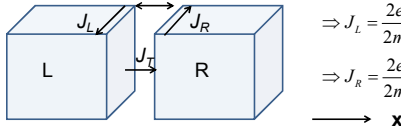
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Josephson junction -- continued

Tunneling current:  $J_T = 2e \frac{\partial n_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{4e\mathcal{E}}{\hbar} \sqrt{n_L n_R} \sin \phi_{LR}$

If  $n_L = n_R$  and in absence of magnetic field,  $\phi_{LR}(t) = \phi_{LR}(0) + \frac{E_R - E_L}{\hbar} t$



$$\Rightarrow J_L = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_L^0|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_L - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow J_R = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_R^0|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_R - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right)$$

Relationship between superconductor currents  $J_L$  and  $J_R$  and tunneling current. Within the superconductor, denote the generalize current operator acting on pair wavefunction  $\Psi = \Psi^0 e^{i\phi}$

$$\hat{v} \equiv \frac{1}{2m} \left( -i\hbar \nabla - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) \quad \text{with current } J = \frac{2e}{2} \left( \Psi^* (\hat{v} \Psi) + \Psi (\hat{v} \Psi)^* \right)$$

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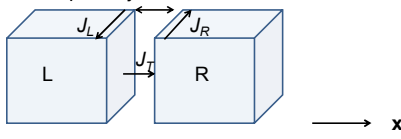
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Josephson junction -- continued



$$\Rightarrow J_L = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_L|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_L - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) \equiv 2en_L \mathbf{v}_L$$

$$\Rightarrow J_R = \frac{2e}{2m} |\Psi_R|^2 \left( \hbar \nabla \phi_R - \frac{2e}{c} \mathbf{A} \right) \equiv 2en_R \mathbf{v}_R$$

$$\nabla \phi_L = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_L}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c} \mathbf{A} \quad \nabla \phi_R = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_R}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c} \mathbf{A}$$

Tunneling current:  $J_T = 2e \frac{\partial n_L}{\partial t} = -\frac{4e\epsilon}{\hbar} \sqrt{n_L n_R} \sin \phi_{LR}$

Need to evaluate  $\phi_{LR}$  in presence of magnetic field

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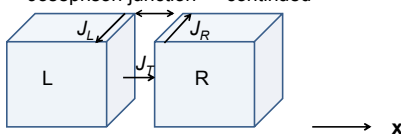
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Josephson junction -- continued



$$\nabla \phi_L = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_L}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c} \mathbf{A} \quad \nabla \phi_R = \frac{2m\mathbf{v}_R}{\hbar} + \frac{2e}{\hbar c} \mathbf{A}$$

Recall that for  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   $\mathbf{v}_L \rightarrow 0$  and  $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow -(\lambda_L + d/2) B_0 \hat{y}$   
 for  $x \rightarrow \infty$   $\mathbf{v}_R \rightarrow 0$  and  $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow (\lambda_L + d/2) B_0 \hat{y}$

Integrating the difference of the phase angles along  $y$ :

$$\phi_{LR} = \phi_{LR}^0 + B_0(2\lambda_L + d)y$$

Tunneling current:  $J_T = -\frac{4e\epsilon}{\hbar} \sqrt{n_L n_R} \sin \phi_{LR}$

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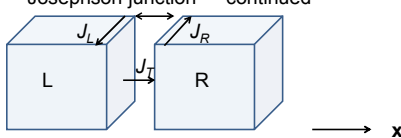
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Josephson junction -- continued



Integrating the difference of the phase angles along  $y$ :

$$\phi_{LR} = \phi_{LR}^0 + \frac{2e}{\hbar c} B_0 (2\lambda_L + d)y$$

Tunneling current density:  $J_T = \frac{4e\epsilon}{\hbar} n_L \sin \phi_{LR}$

Integrating current density throughout width  $w$  of superconductors

$$I_T = \hbar \int_{-w/2}^{w/2} J_T dy = \hbar w J_{T0} \sin(\phi_{LR}^0) \frac{\sin(\pi\Phi / \Phi^0)}{\pi\Phi / \Phi^0}$$

where  $\Phi = B_0 w (2\lambda_L + d)$  and  $\Phi^0 = \frac{2\pi\hbar c}{2e}$

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