

Three-Dimensional Superfluid Transition of ^4He Films Formed in 3D Nanopores of HMM-2

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Superfluid onset by the torsional oscillator experiment and heat capacity peak have been observed at experimentally the same temperature T_C for the ^4He films formed in three-dimensional (3D) nanopores of HMM-2 of which pores about 2.7 nm in diameter are connected in the 3D period 5.5 nm¹. It indicates the 3D superfluid transition of the 3D ^4He films. So as to study the critical behavior of the heat capacity peak, heat capacity was measured precisely around T_C . We found heat capacity peak for all of the films with T_C from 0.1 to 0.95 K. When the molar heat capacity C_m of the ^4He fluid is plotted against the reduced temperature $t = (T - T_C)/T_C$, all of the data are collapsed in a universal peak curve around T_C . Deviation from the universal curve above the reduced critical temperature occurs at higher reduced temperature for the films with lower T_C . Hence, the observed heat capacity peak of the 3D transition becomes large with decreasing T_C . It is understood that the universal 3D superfluid transition peak appears when the correlation length $\xi_+(t)$ becomes longer than the 3D period with approaching T_C .

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