

Dynamics of a particle and a quantized vortex at zero temperature : self-consistent calculation

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Many experiments for visualizing quantized vortices and normal fluid flow have been performed in superfluid ^4He . Recently, metastable He_2 excimer molecules are used as tracer particles¹. As their radius is only about 10^{-10}m , they hardly perturb the system, thus being a good candidate of tracer particles. In order to understand the interactive motion of He_2 molecules and vortices at zero temperature, we numerically study the trapping diameter by using the self-consistent equations of motions. We calculated the trapping diameter as a function of the initial velocity of the particle. The trapping diameter is almost inversely proportional to the initial velocity of the particle and compared with the observation.

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