Phase Diagram for the Liquid-Vapor System of Helium Isotopes (He³-He⁴). I.

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The temperature dependence of the vapor pressure of twenty solutions of helium isotopes has been measured, with He³ content varying from 0.4 to 90.8%. Measurements have also been made of the pressure corresponding to initiation of condensation for eight mixtures with He³ content from 1.9 to 82.4%. The phase diagram of the liquid-vapor system of

He³-He⁴ is constructed, and the temperature dependence of the partition of He³ between liquid and vapor and the concentration of the liquid phase have been determined.

1. INTRODUCTION

HE availability in comparatively large quantities of helium mixtures that are rich in the light isotope¹ has made possible the study of the thermodynamic properties of mixtures of the helium isotopes. In particular, it is possible to obtain data which are necessary to construct phase diagrams for the liquid -vapor system of helium isotopes. Such a diagram is naturally of great interest, not only because it characterizes the properties of binary mixtures of the isotopes, but also because the properties of each of the pure components are associated with quantum effects.^{2,3} The adherence of He³ and He⁴ to different statistics, the presence of superfluidity in He⁴ and its absence in He³ accentuates this interest. In addition, knowledge of the phase diagram has great significance for the technology of the separation of He³ and He⁴, and makes possible the calculation of the change of concentration of the liquid phase, due to the transition of part of the He³ into the vapor phase, in the quantitative investigation of the properties of this system.

Numerous attempts⁴⁻¹³ at the measurement of the dependence on concentration of the vapor pressure of the mixtures and the distribution coefficient of He³ between liquid and vapor have not led to sufficiently accurate and complete data. Consequently, they do not permit the construction of the desired phase diagram. This is explained by the fact that, up to the present, only small quantities of the isotopic mixture have been used, the presence of equilibrium between vapor and liquid has not been maintained, and the effect of the HeII film has not been removed.

Having obtained an appreciable amount of mixtures of the helium isotopes with known content of He³, we set up a series of experiments to obtain sufficiently accurate data, which are necessary for the construction of the phase diagram.



FIG. 1. Apparatus for measuring the vapor pressure of solutions of He³ in He⁴

2. APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

Inasmuch as we are discussing the liquid-vapor phase diagram, we must set up the dependence between the vapor pressure and the composition of the liquid and gaseous phases. Such data were obtained by the measurement of the vapor pressure of mixtures with different He³ content in the liquid in a series of experiments, and by the measurement of the pressure at initial condensation of mixtures with various contents of He³ in the gaseous phase in another series of experiments.

Measurements of the vapor pressure were carried out with the aid of the apparatus shown in Fig. 1.¹⁴ The mixture of isotopes with known He³ content and ordinary helium (He⁴) were condensed in the two glass globules a and b, equipped with light iron vanes. These vanes were put into vibratory motion by vertical displacement of the magnet N, which is accomplished by means of the crankshaft K, rotated by an electric motor at a speed of 12 rpm. The resulting agitation of the liquid led to a rapid establishment of equilibrium between the liquid and the vapor. With the aid of a differential manometer M, the difference in the vapor pressure Δp between the solution with known concentration of He³ and the He⁴ was measured. For work with mixtures with He³ content up to 6.3%, the manometer was filled with oil, while mercury was used for the higher concentrations of He³. Measurement of the difference in vapor pressure in the manometer was obtained by the cathetometer KM-5, which enabled readings to be made to 0.001 mm. Before condensation, both the mixture of isotopes and the He⁴ were led through coils submerged in liquid hydrogen, in which possible impurities were frozen out so that both gases were completely pure upon entrance into the apparatus.

All parts of the apparatus, located above the globule with the mixture, had sufficiently small volume so that the space occupied by the vapor amounted to about 5 cm.³ Usually, 350-400 cm³ of gas were condensed in the research with mixtures with content of He³ up to 52.7 % and about 200cm³ in research with richer mixtures. Under such conditions, the impoverishment of the mixture due to the transition of part of the He³ to the vapor state was inconsiderable and, consequently, one could assume in these experiments that the concentration of He³ in the liquid was equal to the known concentration of He³ in the gas up to its condensation. This circumstance was specially controlled by the saturation curves which were recorded at the time of condensation of the mixture of the isotopes, and which represented the dependence of Δp on the quantity q of the condensed gas, As the quantity of the mixture increases, a smooth increase in Δp was first observed; however, beginning approximately at 50 cm³ for low temperatures and with 150-200 cm³ at high temperatures, Δp is practically unchanged with further increase in q. Thus the quantity of the mixture ordinarily used guaranteed the small dependence of Δp on q, i.e., the in-



FIG. 2. Dependence of the pressure difference on the quantity of gaseous mixture supplied. The lower part, of the graphs (up to the break) corresponds to gaseous state, the upper to the liquid. Point A: $T = 3,229^{\circ}$ K, X = 11,6% $\Delta p =$ = 31.4; point B: $T = 1,865^{\circ}$ K, X == 73,4%, $\Delta p = 35.9$

significant impoverishment of the mixture with respect to the light isotope.

Establishment of equilibrium between the liquid and the vapor was achieved, as already pointed out, by the agitation of the liquid, and was also controlled by the method of reducing the dependence of Δp on time at constant temperature. Such an equilibrium was quickly established both in He II (3-4 min.) and in He I (10-15 min.). In addition to the presence of equilibrium between vapor and liquid, one noted the absence of hysteresis in going through the temperature interval above and below. In this case the data obtained in one experiment and on different days agreed very well.

The results obtained with mixtures of different content of He³, and in a wide temperature interval, made possible the establishment of the relation between the vapor pressure and the concentration of the liquid phase.

The connection between the vapor pressure and the composition of the gas phase was obtained by measurement of the pressure for initial condensation of the gas mixture with known content of the light isotope (dew point).¹⁵ These experiments were carried out with apparatus similar to that already described, adapted for the measurement of the vapor pressure. As before, two vessels were used, but now a definite portion of gas mixture of the isotopes was put in one of them, and liquid He⁴ was put in the other. The pressure difference Δp was measured between these two vessels after introduction of each portion of the gas mixture



FIG. 3. Temperature dependence of vapor pressure for mixtures of isotopes of helium with different content of He³ Percent composition of He³ in the mixture: 1 - 0; 2 - 0.4; 3 - 0.8; 4 - 19; 5 - 3.0; 6 - 4.0; 7 - 6.3; 8 - 8.3; 9 - 11.1; 10 - 13.4; 11 - 16.7; 12 - 19.2; 13 - 22.6; 14 - 23.9; 15 - 30.2; 16 - 38.3; 17 - 52.7; 18 - 56.3; 19 - 73.4; 20 - 82.4; 21 - 90.8; 22 - 100.0%

and the dependence of Δp on the amount of the given mixture q was constructed. The sharp break on the curve $\Delta p - q$ makes possible a precise determination of the dew point. It is natural that the measured pressure of onset of condensation is related to the mixture, supplied in the apparatus, for which the He³ content is known, and it makes no sense to speak of what change there is in the concentration in this case. Two such typical curves are plotted in Fig. 2; one characterizes the mixture with He³ content 11.6% ($T = 3.229^{\circ}$ K), and the second, 73.4% (T=1.865°K). Usually, some amount of gas is supplied in the reservoir for the mixture until the pressure is close to the pressure for onset of condensation and only after this is the desired dependence recorded. Thus q in the graphs characterizes not the total amount of the mixture, but only part of it.

The vessel for the measurement of the dew point was changed depending on the concentration of the mixture investigated, since, as the concentration increased, i.e., with higher pressure for onset of condensation, the consumption of the mixture increased greatly. In experiments with mixtures with small amounts of He³, the volume of the vessel amounted to several cubic centimeters, but for



FIG. 4. Temperature dependence of the pressure at onset of condensation of mixtures of helium isotopes with different content of He^3 . Percent composition of He^3 in the mixture :



work with concentrated mixtures--about 1 cm.³ The data obtained for a given gas mixture at a particular temperature, with the use of reservoirs of different volumes, agreed well with one another.

The manometer for the measurement of Δp was filled with oil for work with low concentrations of the mixtures, and with mercury for rich He³ mixtures. The measurement was carried out with the same cathetometer KM-5. In order to exclude the effect of the position of the level of liquid helium in the dewar on the pressure in the vessel with the gas mixture, a tube, which joined this vessel with the manometer was embedded in the vacuum jacket.

The gaseous mixture of isotopes was brought into the apparatus by means of a calibrated Toepler pump. In these experiments, the mixture of isotopes and He⁴ were run through coils immersed in liquid hydrogen.

The temperature in the dewar was determined by the vapor pressure of the liquid helium with the use of the 1949 tables.¹⁴ Determination of the pressure by the manometer was also carried out in this case with the aid of a cathetometer, which is essential in the region of low temperatures, i.e., for small values of the vapor pressure. During the experiment, the pressure was kept constant with great accuracy, by means of an automatic regulator.¹⁷

3. RESULTS

By means of the above methods, the temperature dependence of the vapor pressure of twenty mixtures with He³ content from 0.4 to 90.8% was measured. The pressure at the onset of condensation of eight mixtures with He³ content ranging from 1.9% to 82.4% was also measured as a function of the temperature. The measurements were carried out in the interval 1.35-3.2°K for mixtures with He³ content up to 30.2%, and in the interval 1.35-2.7°K for the richer mixtures.

Part of the results obtained, which relate to the dependence of the vapor pressure of the mixture on temperature for different composition X_{liq} of the liquid are represented in the form of Table 1 and in Fig. 3. The analogous dependence for various compositions X_v of the vapor are shown in Table 2 and in Fig. 4 [the concentration was determined as $X=N_3/(N_3+N_4)$]. For convenience of observation, the curves in Figs. 3 and 4 are successively displaced to the right by 0.04°, except for curve 13 (Fig. 3) which is displaced by 0.08°

relative to curve 14. The dependencies for pure He^{4} ¹⁶ and He^{3} ¹⁸ have also been drawn in on the same curves for comparison purposes.

The accuracy of measurement of the difference in the vapor pressure was within 0.5% for small values of Δp and was appreciably larger for higher values of Δp . In experiments on the determination of the dew point, Δp was measured with less accuracy (2-3%). The concentrations of the isotope mixtures were known within 1.5-4% of the measured values.

The resultant data permit us to construct the phase diagram for the vapor-liquid system He³-He.⁴ Such a diagram is shown in Fig. 5 with the coordi-



FIG. 5. Liquid-vapor phase diagram for the system of helium isotopes. Pressure in mm Hg.

nates pressure-concentration. In this drawing, a number of isotherms between 1.4 and 2.6° K are plotted. These isotherms have been displaced arbitrarily along the ordinate axis relative to one another, preserving the scale along this axis (one division corresponds to 25 mm Hg). For each isotherm the pressures for pure He³ and He⁴ are indicated. The reduced diagram, which is essentially the first detailed phase diagram of isotopic mixtures has a cigar shape like the diagrams of the majority of ordinary liquid mixtures. In this case, as is seen in Fig. 5, the difference between the content of He^3 in the vapor and in the liquid increases with decrease in temperature.

Among the data in the literature on the vapor pressure and pressure at onset of condensation of He³-He⁴ mixtures, the most complete are those of Sommers, ¹⁸ in which measurements were carried out in the interval 1.25-2.15 °K for a He³ content in the liquid phase up to 13%, and in the vapor up to 78%. In Fig. 6 is shown a comparison of the results of the present work with the data of Sommers (crosses) which re late to the dependence of the vapor pressure on the composition of the liquid phase, and in Fig. 7, on the composition of the vapor. In this and in other cases, there is completely satisfactory



FIG. 6. Dependence of the vapor pressure on the composition of the liquid phase: o= results of the present research, += results of Sommers¹⁹, Δ = results of Weinstock, Osborne and Abraham.⁷

agreement. Along with this it is necessary to note that the formula assumed by Sommers for the calculation of the concentration of the gaseous phase from the known vapor pressure

$$X_{\nu} = (\Delta p / p) [1 + 0.080 \tag{1}$$

$$\times \{T - 1, 100 + 0, 600 (\Delta p / p)^3\}^2\},\$$

provides an inadequate description of the experimental data.

Figure 6 shows the results of measurement of the vapor pressure of mixtures of the isotopes of helium with a He³ content of 20.3%, carried out by Weinstock, Osborne and Abraham.⁷ These results also agree well with ours.

Laying out the phase diagram, one can obtain data which characterize the distribution of He³ between the vapor and the liquid. Such a distribution is described by the ratio X_v/X_l of the He³ concentration respectively in the vapor and in the liquid. The dependence of this ratio on the tempera-



FIG. 7. Dependence of the vapor pressure on the composition of the gaseous phase: o= results of the present research, += results of Sommers.¹⁹





ture for different X_l and on X_l for different tempera-

tures is shown in Figs. 8 and 9. The computed values are given in Table 3. Inasmuch as these data were obtained, not by direct measurement, but from the diagram, the accuracy of the determination of X_v / X_l is not very great. It follows from the drawings that X_v / X_l decreases with rising tem-

perature and with increase in X_{I} .

It follows directly from the form of the diagram that it differs appreciably from that for an ideal solution. In the entire region of concentration investigated, the vapor pressure is larger than would follow from the generalized rule of Raoult:*

$$p = X_l \ (p_3^0 - p_4^0) + p_4^0, \tag{2}$$

where p_{3}° and p_{4}° are the vapor tensions of pure He³ and He⁴ respectively.

In the region of low concentrations of He³, Henry's law is satisfied

$$p_3 = a X_l , \qquad (3)$$

where p_3 is the partial pressure of He³. For the linear portion of the curve showing the dependence of the vapor pressure on X_{l} (for small X_{l}), we can write

$$p = X_l (a - p_4^0) + p_4^0$$
 (4)

*In the earlier works, incorrect concentrations were given (not the fault of the authors). This led to erroneus conclusion of the positive and negative deviations from Raoult's law. We take this occasion to list the correct values:

$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Publi shed, in %	Corrected concentrations, in %	Literature references
1,00 0,8 [14, 20] 2,40 1,9 [14, 15, 20, 21] 4,23 3,0 [14, 20]	0,49	0,4	[14]
2,40 1,9 [14, 15, 20, 21] 4,23 3,0 [14, 20]	1,00	0,8	[14, 20]
4,23 3,0 [14, 20]	2,40	1,9	[14, 15, 20, 21]
	4,23	3,0	[14, 20]
5,18 4,0 [14, 15]	5,18	4,0	[14, 15]
8,08 6,3 [14]	8,08	6,3	[14]

Published, in %	Corrected concentrations, in %	Literature references
14,5	11,6	[15]
31,7	25,8	[21]
34,7	29,0	[15]
37,0	31,2	[21]
41,8	35,4	[15]



and we can determine the constant a and its temperature dependence from the tangent of the curve $p-X_l$. The ratio a/p_3^0 characterizes the departure of the solution from the ideal, inasmuch as this ratio is equal to unity for an ideal solution. The dependence of a/p_3^0 on temperature is shown

in Fig. 10, from which it follows that the maximum deviation from ideal is observed at low



FIG. 10. Temperature dependence of the ratio of the Henry's law constant to the vapor pressure of He³.

TABLE I

x l	T	р	x l	T	р	x l	Т	р
0,4	$1,377 \\ 1,387 \\ 1,489 \\ 1,594 \\ 1,675 \\ 1,755 \\ 1,836 \\ 1,918 \\ 1,993 \\ 2,070 \\ 2,124 \\ 2,172 \\ 2,201 \\ 1,377 \\ 1,387 \\ 1,993 \\ 1,918 \\ 1,923 \\ 2,070 \\ 2,124 \\ 1,918 \\ 1,923 \\ 2,070 \\ 2,124 \\ 2,172 \\ 2,201 \\ 1,918 \\ 1,928 \\ 1,91$	2,22 2,35 3,84 6,01 8,26 11,12 14,68 19,04 23,80 29,36 33,67 38,00 40,94		$1,668 \\ 1.743 \\ 1.815 \\ 1.877 \\ 1.978 \\ 2.037 \\ 2.102 \\ 2.149 \\ 2.163 \\ 2.177 \\ 2.203 \\ 2.223 \\ 2.298 \\$	$\begin{array}{c} 10,59\\ 13,33\\ 16,61\\ 19,88\\ 26,16\\ 30,26\\ 35,36\\ 39,39\\ 40,59\\ 41,91\\ 44,98\\ 47,13\\ 55,41 \end{array}$		2,169 2,191 2,202 2,254 2,397 2,468 2,485 2,549 2,671 2,799 2,950 3,105	45,47 48,07 49,34 55,06 73,81 84,34 87,29 97,93 120,46 148,66 186,04 231,36
	2.301 2.406 2.554 2.694 2.793 2.902 3.051 3.104 3.202 3.211	51,5664.8087,05112.15133.11158,09197,55213,54243,60246.60		$\begin{array}{c} 2.224\\ 2.533\\ 2.608\\ 2.696\\ 2.740\\ 2.790\\ 2.914\\ 3.073\\ 3.217\end{array}$	71,83 88,68 101,76 118,59 127,95 138,89 168,08 211,98 257,23	6,3	1,3581,4891,6181,7181,8281,9582,0082,1592,1832,194	$ \begin{array}{c} 6,96\\ 10,11\\ 14,30\\ 18,42\\ 24,08\\ 32,30\\ 35,92\\ 48,91\\ 51,49\\ 53,08 \end{array} $
0,8	1,3581,5631,6341,7631,8151,9272,008	$\begin{array}{c} 2.46 \\ 5.87 \\ 7.71 \\ 12.21 \\ 14.50 \\ 20.46 \\ 25.76 \end{array}$	3,0	$\begin{array}{c} 1,377\\ 1,387\\ 1,549\\ 1,572\\ 1,644\\ 1,721\\ 1,836\\ 1,977\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 4,79\\ 4,90\\ 8,36\\ 9,23\\ 11,34\\ 14,23\\ 19,62\\ 28,23\end{array}$		2,258 2,336 2,428 2,525 2,603 2,665 2,701	60,30 70,54 84,13 100,11 114,57 126,88 134,60
	$\begin{array}{c} 2,105\\ 2,126\\ 2,153\\ 2,165\\ 2,171\\ 2,175\\ 2,181\\ 2,188\\ 2,208\\ 2,248\\ 2,380\\ 2,248\\ 2,380\\ 2,349\\ 2,548\\ 2,348\\ 2,548\\ 2,748\\ 2,815\\ 2,900\\ 2,902\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 33.03\\ 34.85\\ 37.15\\ 38.26\\ 39.17\\ 39.78\\ 40,74\\ 42.83\\ 46.89\\ 62.66\\ 72.32\\ 87.58\\ 125.10\\ 139.69\\ 159.38\\ 160.04 \end{array}$		2,053 2,093 2,102 2,144 2,175 2,197 2,249 2,348 2,460 2,513 2,635 2,752 2,850 2,979 3,124 3,197	$\begin{array}{c} 33,84\\ 36,94\\ 37,80\\ 41,16\\ 44,10\\ 46,72\\ 52.30\\ 64,50\\ 80,45\\ 88,93\\ 110,63\\ 134,73\\ 157,33\\ 190,23\\ 233,17\\ 256,64\\ \end{array}$	8.3	$\begin{array}{c} 1,352\\ 1,358\\ 1,483\\ 1,598\\ 1,696\\ 1,851\\ 1,983\\ 2,085\\ 2,107\\ 2,144\\ 2,172\\ 2,187\\ 2,207\\ 2,248\\ 2,402\\ 2,565\\ 2,720\end{array}$	8,10 8,88 12,55 16,77 21,05 29,48 38,52 46,53 48,71 52,49 55,67 58,40 60,45 65,67 87,77 1116,39
	3,003 3,050 3,052 3,167 3,202	186,35 199,43 199,82 234,73 245,97	4.0	1.358 1.358 1.495 1.559 1.655	5.32 5,31 8,16 9,79 12.91		2,720 2,881 3,023 3,206 3,219	148,91 189,59 230,39 291,15 296,01
1,9	1,358 1,377 1,495 1,572	3.53 3,75 5.86 7,73		1.745 1.855 1.939 2,039 2,120	$\begin{array}{r} 16,56\\ 22,06\\ 27,23\\ 34,42\\ 40,89 \end{array}$	11,1	1,354 1,363 1,461 1,467 1,542	10,32 10,94 14,19 14,58 17,27

Temperature dependence of the vapor pressure (p, mm llg) for different compositions of the liquid phase $(X_l \%)$

TABLE I (continued)

x _l	Т	р	x l	Т	р	x _l	T	р
11,1	$1,635 \\ 1,730 \\ 1,842 \\ 1,936 \\ 2,015 \\ 2,020 \\ 2,086 \\ 2,125 \\ 2,12$	21,32 26,16 32,96 39,42 44,96 45,62 51,88 56,13		$\begin{array}{c} 2.384 \\ 2.530 \\ 2.656 \\ 2.805 \\ 2.900 \\ 3.028 \\ 3.155 \\ 3.219 \end{array}$	$106,13 \\ 134,41 \\ 162,07 \\ 200,80 \\ 228,16 \\ 269,00 \\ 314,27 \\ 339,33$	23,9	3,136 3,211 1,336 1,362 1,406 1,498 1,579	333,87 363,31 15,54 16,39 18,21 22,65 27,15
	$\begin{array}{c} 2,148\\ 2,180\\ 2,200\\ 2,298\\ 2,476\\ 2,699\\ 2,796\\ 2,904\\ 3,023\\ 3,215\end{array}$	58,71 62,49 65,97 79.37 108,64 154,57 178,77 207.62 243,69 309.33	19,2	$\begin{array}{c} 1,360\\ 1,379\\ 1,474\\ 1,558\\ 1,650\\ 1,706\\ 1,752\\ 1,839\\ 1,883\\ 4,930\end{array}$	$14.61 \\ 15.59 \\ 19.19 \\ 23.60 \\ 28.57 \\ 32.10 \\ 35.06 \\ 41.04 \\ 44.91 \\ 48.58 \\ 45.8 \\ 58 \\ 58 \\ 58 \\ 58 \\ 58 \\ 58 \\ 58 \\$		$\begin{array}{c} 1,710\\ 1,806\\ 1,826\\ 1,873\\ 1,908\\ 1,948\\ 2,038\\ 2,149\\ 2,184\\ 2,198\\ 2,270\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 35.07\\ 41,82\\ 43.10\\ 47,81\\ 51,12\\ 54,97\\ 65,46\\ 80.07\\ 85,28\\ 88,61\\ 400,87\end{array}$
13,4	$\begin{array}{c} 1.342 \\ 1.399 \\ 1.469 \\ 1.553 \\ 1.628 \\ 1.725 \\ 1.807 \\ 4.807 \end{array}$	11,6312,7415,9919,6423,1528,4833,3425,48		1,974 2,027 2,081 2,128 2,175 2,233 2,278	$\begin{array}{r} 48.58\\ 53,62\\ 59.13\\ 65.43\\ 71,07\\ 77.42\\ 87,67\\ 94.66\\ 44.65\end{array}$		2,279 2,458 2,601 2,754 2,885 3,035 3,206	100.87 138,48 171,54 213,45 253,67 305.70 372.35
	1.844 1.944 1.995 2.045 2.087 2.122 2.156 2.181 2.199 2.301	35,89 42,87 46,88 51,43 56,30 60,15 64,07 67,19 70,59 85,25		2,376 2,469 2,571 2,688 2,799 2,900 2,999 3,107 3,202	$\begin{array}{c} 111.85\\ 129.86\\ 152,18\\ 180,74\\ 211,32\\ 241.21\\ 273.69\\ 312,17\\ 348.09 \end{array}$	30,2	$\begin{array}{c} 1,316\\ 1,341\\ 1,380\\ 1,423\\ 1,485\\ 1,537\\ 1,597\\ 1,649\\ 1,722\\ 1,735\\ \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 16.23 \\ 17.11 \\ 18.70 \\ 21.59 \\ 24.60 \\ 27.80 \\ 31.24 \\ 34.40 \\ 39.73 \\ 40.71 \end{array} $
10.5	$2,409 \\ 2,501 \\ 2,600 \\ 2,701 \\ 2,802 \\ 2,884 \\ 3.063 \\ 3,215 $	103,12 119,52 140,17 163,41 189,58 212,07 267,83 321,79	22,6	1,336 1,353 1,460 1,502 1,554 1,646 1,704 1,802 1,831	$15,14 \\ 15,68 \\ 20,74 \\ 22,80 \\ 25,64 \\ 30,52 \\ 33,99 \\ 40,58 \\ 42,53 \\ 42,5$		$1,784 \\ 1,830 \\ 1,911 \\ 1,972 \\ 1,992 \\ 2,069 \\ 2,126 \\ 2,170 \\ 2,202 \\ 2,20$	45,58 49,96 58,94 66,74 69,14 79,85 88,03 95,37 102,22
10,7	$\begin{array}{c} 1,385\\ 1,463\\ 1,496\\ 1,596\\ 1,701\\ 1,771\\ 1,849\\ 1,896\\ 1,930\\ 1,955\\ 1,955\end{array}$	14,8617,8419,2323,8629,8034,0139,1442,5345,0647,15		1,864 1,905 1,968 2,007 2,068 2,101 2,126 2,173 2,202 2,294	$\begin{array}{r} 45.14\\ 48,88\\ 55,53\\ 59.75\\ 66,98\\ 71,32\\ 74,71\\ 81.47\\ 86,68\\ 101,82\end{array}$		2,218 2,302 2,375 2,508 2,655 2,773 2,878 3,004 3,102 3,205	$\begin{array}{c} 105.97\\ 121.12\\ 135.95\\ 166,50\\ 205.91\\ 241.97\\ 276,70\\ 322.59\\ 361.65\\ 404.75 \end{array}$
	1,980 2,037 2,107 2,138 2,174 2,189 2,213 2,298	49,79 55,60 63,35 67,25 71,79 75,00 78,15 90,91		$\begin{array}{c} 2,414 \\ 2,474 \\ 2,552 \\ 2.611 \\ 2,719 \\ 2,809 \\ 2,906 \\ 3.052 \end{array}$	124,29 136,54 154,02 168,17 196,36 222,64 252,03 301,99	38,3	$\begin{array}{r} 1,331\\ 1,334\\ 1,389\\ 1,422\\ 1,471\\ 1,543\\ 1,570\end{array}$	18,99 18,95 21,76 23,21 25,80 30,11 32,27

X e	Т	р	X _e	Т	p	Xe	Т	p
38,3	1,641	37.91		2.163.	127.30		2,710	340,66
	1,715	$44,94 \\ 49,06$		2,193 2.254	150,18 150,86	82.4	1,380	28.56
	1,804	53,89		2.330	171.00	, –	1,392	30.15
	1,857	60,38		2.390	186.91		1.490	41.09
	1,949	72.69		2.474	211.68		1,595	53,71
	2,040	80,79		2.540	232.01		1,694	08.80
	2,090	102 24		2,669	275 95		1,808	105 38
	2.170	107.71		2,737	301.49		1,996	128.22
	2,194	113,66		2,786	320, 42		2,085	149,67
	2,199	114.78					2,176	172.34
	2,253	125.72		0.055	4 00		2,199	182, 17
	2,306	137,19	56,3	2,255	157,26		2,256	199,37
	2,331	142,00		2,002	208 82		2,308	210,03
	2,400	181.52		2.535	235.80		2.504	287.36
	2,554	199,62		2.629	267,32		2,603	328.42
	2,604	213,13		2,703	294,96		2,695	369,74
	2,680	237.15		2,774	322,21			
	2,757	262,36	7 0 /	1 (00	97.97	00.8	4 000	04.00
	2,800	296.94	73,4	1,400	21.21	90,8	1,392	31.20
52 7	1 350	21.06		1 422	26,89		1 507	45 32
52,1	1,356	21.83		1.515	38.52		1,601	58,41
	1,437	26,70		1,596	48,30		1,678	70,71
	1.471	28,94		1,691	61.06		1.809	94,55
	1.519	34.15		1,806	79,06		1,906	115.67
	1,562	36.58		1.897	95.09		2.004	138,61
	1,592	40.29		2,007	140 19		2 139	175 30
	1.686	49.87		2.152	150.56		2.183	186.34
	1,728	54,79		2,177	157,95		2.193	192,94
	1,803	64,71		2,194	162,98		2.259	214,74
	1,877	75.24		2,257	181.08		2,303	229,99
	1,944	85,94		2,306	195,48		2,395	263,90

2,404

2,499

2,606

226,82

259,30

298,89

TABLE I (continued)

temperatures.

There is great interest in the comparison of the experimental results with the dependence of the equilibrium vapor pressure p on the composition of the liquid and gaseous phases obtained from purely thermodynamic considerations under the assumption of an ideal vapor:²²

2,009

2,054

2,106

97,14

105, 32115, 41

$$X_{l} = X_{v} - X_{\pi} \left(1 - X_{\pi}\right) \partial \ln p / \partial X_{\pi}.$$
 (5)

The results of such a comparison are shown in Fig. 11. These results are plotted for the isotherms 1.8 and 2.6°K by means of a calculation (according to the above formula) of the dependence of the vapor pressure on the composition of the gaseous phase X_{v} (the corresponding points are marked with crosses). For low temperatures and small concentrations, satisfactory agreement is observed with experiment, while for high concentrations and higher temperatures, a divergence is observed, occasioned by the non-ideal character of the vapor.²³

2,507

2,586

2,648

309,00

343.55

371,96

In conclusion, let us take this occasion to express our appreciation to N. E. Alekseevskii and his co-workers for carrying out a great deal of work connected with the determination of the content of He³ in the helium isotope mixtures that were used. We also thank L. D. Landau and I. M. Lifshitz for their criticism of the results and B. G. Lazarev and E. S. Borovik for their advice.

TABLE 2

	matures	with units	ient come	int of me	$(A_{v}, \%)$			
x _v	T p		X _v	Т	р	x _v	T	p
 1.9 4.0 11.6 29.0 	2,037 2,166 2,369 2,520 2,776 3,033 1,748 2,077 2,411 2,732 3,040 1,350 1,795 2,131 2,309 2,628 2,853 3,229 1,410 1,768	$\begin{array}{c} 26,4\\ 37,2\\ 59.7\\ 81,5\\ 129,3\\ 193,5\\ 10,4\\ 30,2\\ 66,4\\ 122,3\\ 198,7\\ 1.9\\ 14,0\\ 38,0\\ 58,7\\ 111,8\\ 164,2\\ 281,6\\ 3,3\\ 15,5\\ \end{array}$	35.4	$\begin{array}{c} 1.986\\ 2.349\\ 2.533\\ 2.676\\ 2.826\\ 3.012\\ 1.404\\ 1.836\\ 2.044\\ 2.159\\ 2.298\\ 2.516\\ 2.706\\ 2.808\\ 2.899\\ 3.100\\ 3.355\\ 1.433\\ 1.581\\ 1.811\\ 1.963\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 31,5\\78,4\\112,7\\146,3\\187,0\\248,3\\3,21,9\\40,2\\54,4\\76,4\\121,1\\167,6\\197,0\\225,7\\299,7\\418,6\\5,7\\13,8\\31,5\\47,8\end{array}$	73.4 82.4	$\begin{array}{c} 1,998\\ 2,101\\ 2,444\\ 2,652\\ 2,825\\ 1,451\\ 1,691\\ 1,865\\ 2,254\\ 2,489\\ 2,731\\ 1,412\\ 1,611\\ 1,818\\ 2,106\\ 2,283\\ 2,404\\ 2,640\\ \end{array}$	51.4 66.5 137.4 204.4 267.4 9.5 29.6 51.3 127.1 199.3 294.8 16.1 30.3 59.0 119.7 173.7 210.5 \cdot 296.3
	1	1 1	1		I I	1	1	1

Temperature dependence of the pressure for onset of condensation (ρ ,mm Hg) for mixtures with different content of He³ ($X_{...}$, %)



FIG. 11. Phase diagram for liquid-vapor of $He^3 - He^4$. Comparison of the experimental results with Eq. 5. The points obtained by calculation are denoted by crosses.

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TABLE 3

Distribution of He³ between vapor and liquid (X_v/X_l) for different compositions of the liquid phase X_l and for different temperatures.

	3,2° K	2,50	2.50	2.26	2,07			2.06	2,04	2.04	l	١	ľ	۱	1	١	١	1	I	I	1		
	3,1° K	2,62	2.62	2.47	2.27	2,22	1	2,20	2,17	2.14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
	3,0° K	2.75	2,75	2.63	2,47	2.40	.	2,37	2,31	2.25	2,10			1	I	1	١		ŀ	1	I		
	2,9° K	3.00	3.00	2.84	2.67	2.57	1	2,54	2,45	2,36	2,19	1	1	1	1	1	I		I				
	2,8° K	3.50	3, 25	3,05	2.87	2,82	Į	2,73	2.60	2,48	2.33	2.23	2,10	2.05	1,87	1.68	1,41	1.36	١	1	ł		
	2,7° K	3,75	3.62	3,37	3,10	3,07	3.00	2.89	2.71	2,59	2,43	2.33	2, 19	2,14	1.93	1,71	1,43	1,37	1,17	1.10	1.05		
	2,6° K	4,25	4.00	3,68	3,30	3,20	3.17	3.04	2,86	2,72	2.52	2,39	2, 24	2.19	1.96	1,73	1,44	1.39	1.18	1.11	1.05		-
	2,5° K	4.75	4.37	4.05	3.70	3.62	3.44	3,25	3,05	2.90	2,66	2,50	2,33	2.27	2.03	1,78	1.47	1,41	1.19	1,11	1,05		
	2,4° K	5,25	4.75	4.42	4.03	3,97	3.75	3.54	3,31	3,11	2.84	2.66	2.44	2.37	2,08	1,81	1.48	1,42	1.20	1.12	1,05		
Х _п	2,3° K	6.00	5.37	5,05	4,43	4.25	3.98	3,87	3.61	3,33	2,99	2.79	2.54	2,46	2,15	1,86	1.51	1.44	1.20	1.12	1.06		
v',	2,2° K	6.75	6,00	5.74	5,10	4.80	4.59	4,30	3,85	3,51	3, 12	2.87	2.61	2,53	2.20	1.90	1,53	1.46	1,21	1.12	1.06		
	2,1° K	7,50	6.87	6.68	6,00	5,50	5.21	4.77	4.19	3.79	3,32	3,04	2,73	2,64	2, 27	1.94	1.55		1.22	1.13	1,06		-
	2,0° K	8.75	8,37	7.79	7.10	6,42	5.75	5.22	4.57	4.07	3,53	3,22	2,88	2.76	2,35	1,99	1,58	I	1.23	1.14	1.06		
	1,9°	10.25	10.12	9.21	8,43	7.47	6.35	5,70	4,90	4,36	3,74	3,39	3,01	2.89	2,44	2,05	1,61	1	1,24	1,14	1,07		
	1,8° K	13.00	12.62	11.00	9,93	8,67	7,11	6.24	5.33	4.68	3.96	3,58	3.15	3.02	2,53	2,11	1,63	1	1.26	1.15	1,07		
	1,7° K	16.75	15.87	13.26	11.57	10.22	8,11	7,04	5.79	5.04	4.24	3,80	3,34	3.19	2.64	2.17	1,66	1	1.26	1.15	1.07		
	1,6° K	22.25	20,00	16,05	13.53	11,92	9.24	7.76	6, 29	5,42	4.53	4,03	2,52	3,36	2.75	2.24	1.69	1	1.28	1.16	1,08	<u> </u>	
	1,5° K	29.25	25.62	19.63	16.03	13.82	10.43	8.52	6.76	5.79	4,82	4.28	3,71	3.53	2.87	2.31	1.73	1	1,29	1,17	1,08		
	1,4° K	39,75	33.75	24.53	19.17	16.10	11.67	9,34	7,32	6.22	5.12	4.53	3,91	3.72	3,00	2,39	1,78	1	1.31	1,18	1.09		
	n_{x}	0.004	0.008	0.019	0,030	0.040	0,063	0,083	0.111	0.134	0,167	0, 192	0,226	0,239	0,302	0,383	0,527	0.563	0.734	0,824	0,908		

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