

# Chap. 4. Physical transformations

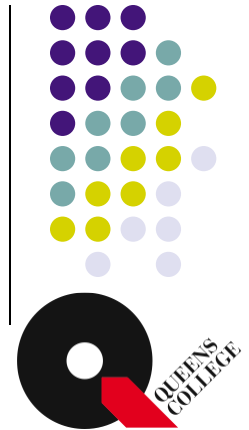
**Phase** - form of matter that is **uniform** throughout in **chemical composition** and **physical state**

e.g.) liquid, gas, different types of crystals, glasses

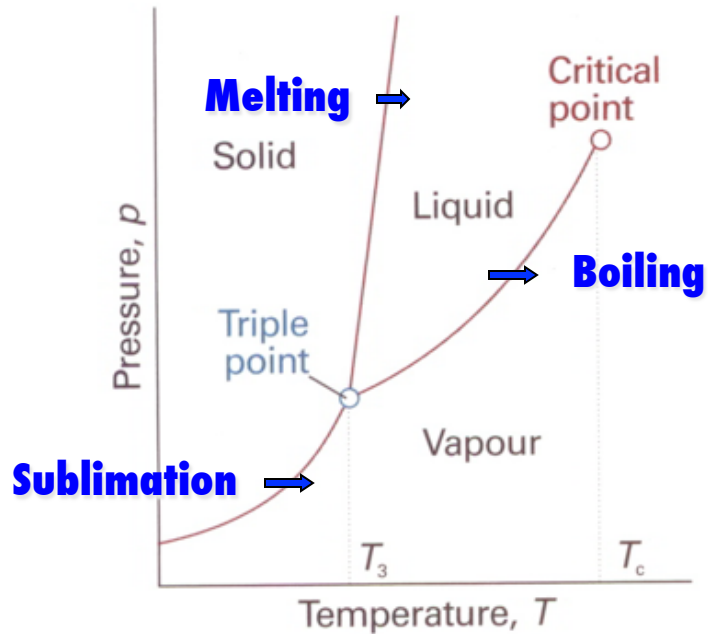
**Phase transition** - **spontaneous** conversion between two phases, which occurs at **the transition temperature  $T_r$**  for a given pressure.

**Metastable phase** - thermodynamically **unstable phase** that persists because the transition is kinetically hindered.

e.g. **Diamond, Glass**



**Phase diagram - shows regions of pressure and temperature at which various phases are thermodynamically stable**

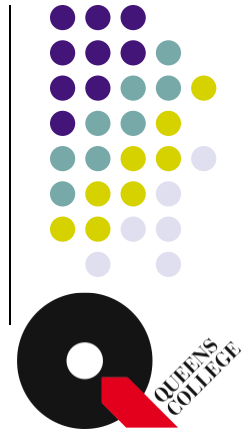


**Vapour pressure - the pressure of a vapour in equilibrium with the liquid**

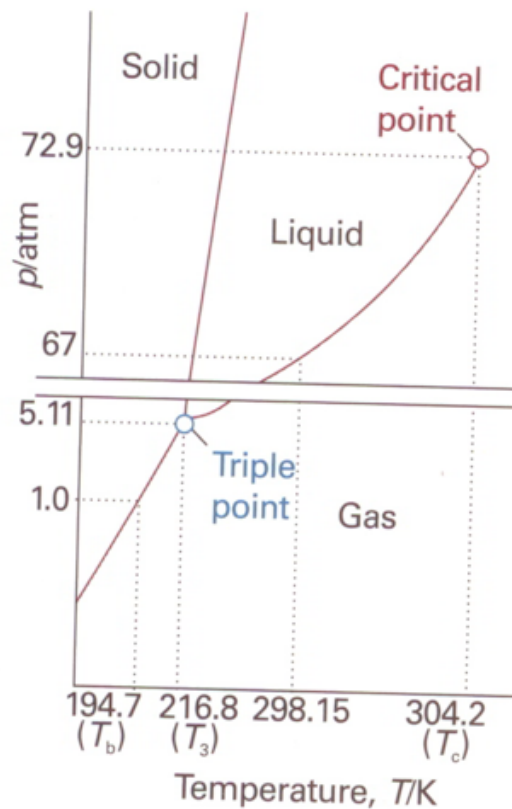
**Sublimation vapour pressure - the pressure of a vapour in equilibrium with the solid**

**Normal boiling temperature - boiling temperature at 1 atm**

**Standard boiling temperature - boiling temperature at 1 bar**

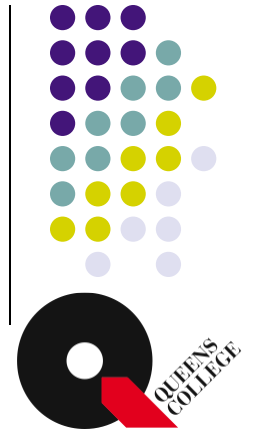


## Phase diagram of CO<sub>2</sub>

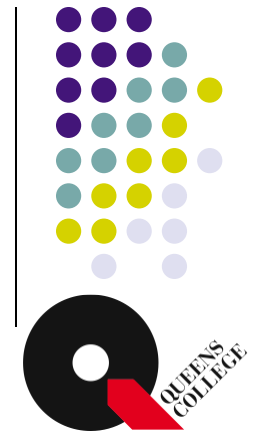
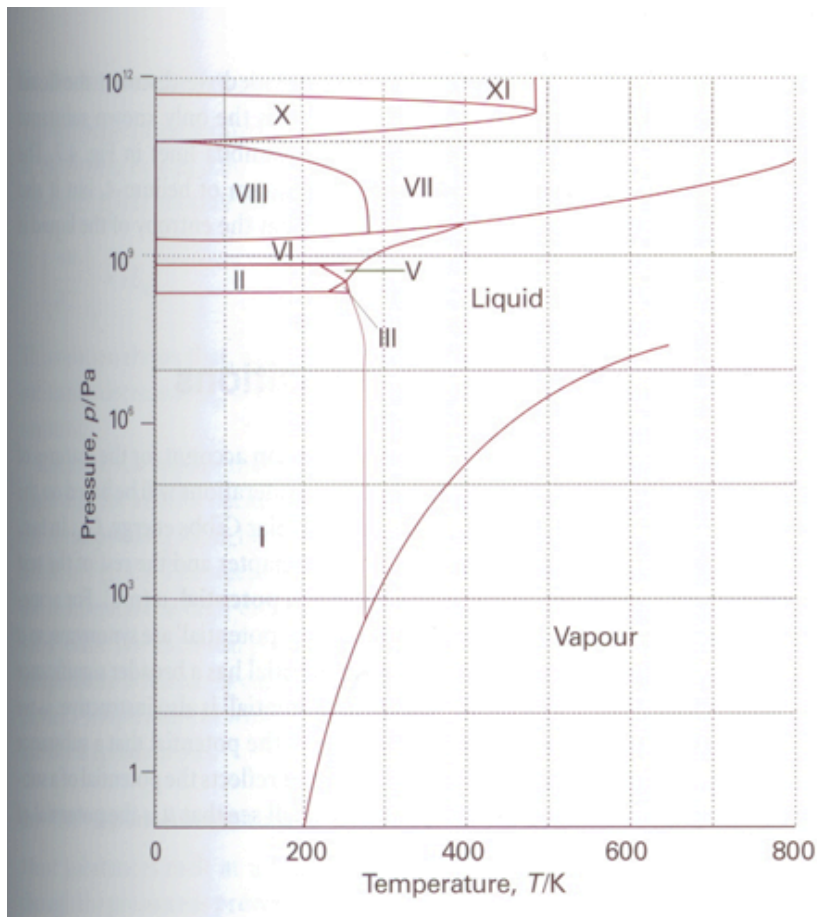


**Positive slope of solid-liquid :  
high pressure favors solid**

**Triple point pressure > 1 atm :  
liquid cannot exist at normal  
atmospheric pressure**



# Phase diagram of H<sub>2</sub>O



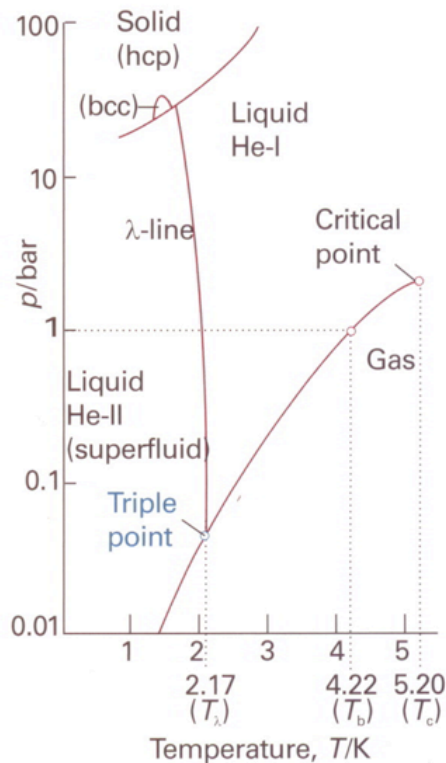
**Steep negative slope of solid-liquid phase line (up to 2k bar) :**

**high pressure favors liquid (liquid is denser than solid)**

**Ice VII melts at 100 °C, exists above 25 kbar**

**Different solid phases (polymorphs) represent different arrangement of water molecules**

# Helium



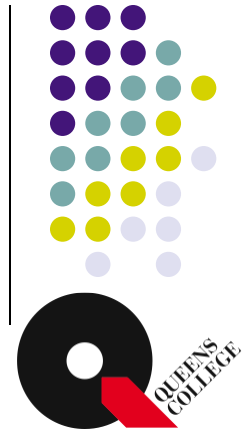
**Solid and gas phases of helium are never in equilibrium**

**Solid phase is obtained only at very high pressure**

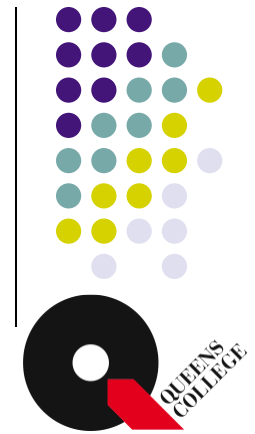
**$^4\text{He}$  becomes superfluid at low temperature, zero viscosity**

**$^3\text{He}$  - different from  $^4\text{He}$ , but possesses a superfluid phase**

**Entropy of liquid is lower than that of the solid**



# Phase stability and phase transitions



For one component system,  $\mu = G_m = G/n$

↑  
Same for all the phases at equilibrium

Condition of equilibrium:  $dG = (\mu_2 - \mu_1)dn = 0$  for any  $dn$ .

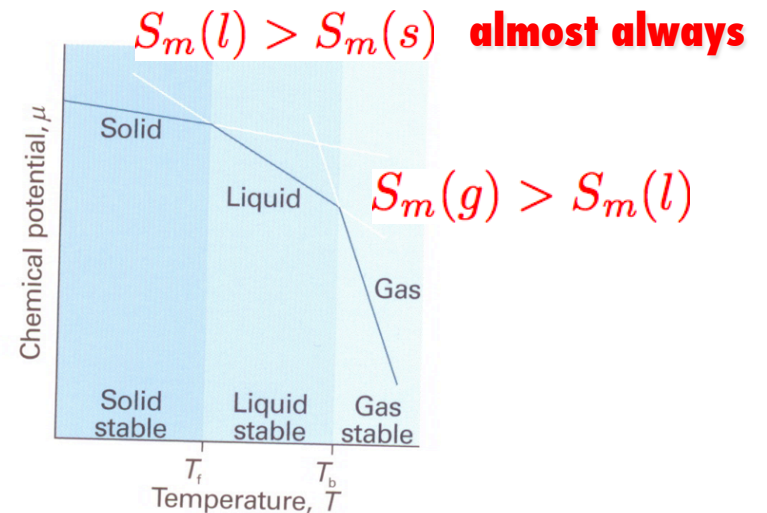
→  $\mu_2 = \mu_1$

## Temperature dependence

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial T}\right)_p = \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_p = -\frac{S}{n} = -S_m$$

$\mu$  decreases as temperature increases

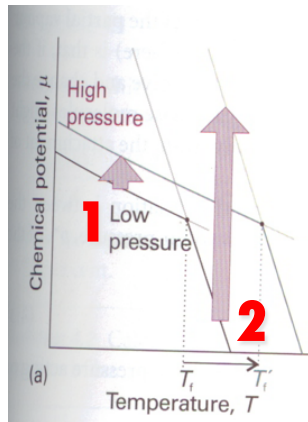
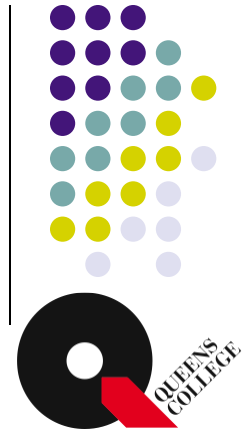
Steeper negative slope for larger entropy



## Pressure dependence

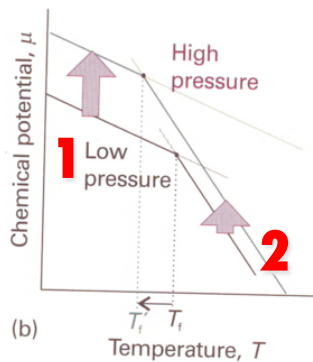
$$\left(\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial p}\right)_T = \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial p}\right)_V = \frac{V}{n} = V_m$$

**Increase of pressure results in increase of  $\mu$**



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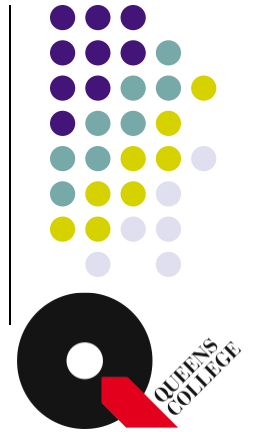


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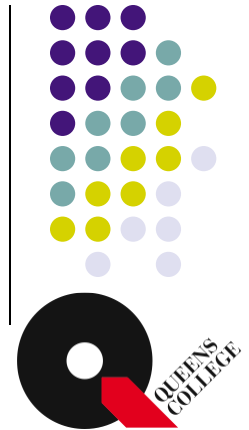
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**At constant temperature** **pressure applied to vapor**

$$V_m(l)dP = V_m(g)dp = \frac{RT}{p}dp$$

**pressure applied to liquid**

$$\int_{p^*}^{p+\Delta P} V_m(l)dP = RT \int_{p^*}^p \frac{dp}{p} = RT \ln \left( \frac{p}{p^*} \right)$$



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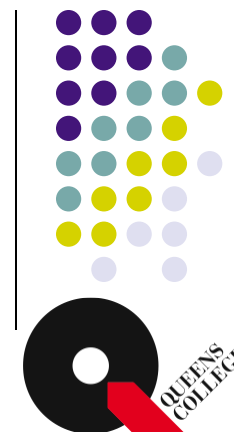
**Pressure to liquid in addition to the vapor pressure**

**Assume  $V_m(l)$  is insensitive to pressure**

$$(p + \Delta P - p^*)V_m(l) = RT \ln \left( \frac{p}{p^*} \right)$$

**Assume  $\Delta P \gg (p - p^*)$**   $\Rightarrow \Delta P V_m(l) \approx RT \ln \left( \frac{p}{p^*} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow p \approx p^* e^{\frac{\Delta P}{RT} V_m(l)}$$



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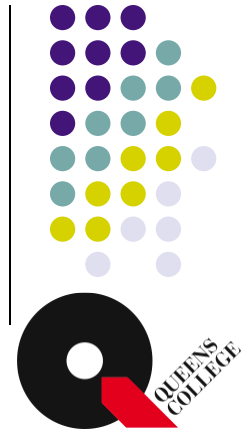
$$(V_{\beta,m} - V_{\alpha,m})dp = (S_{\beta,m} - S_{\alpha,m})dT$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \Delta_{trs}V \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \Delta_{trs}S \end{array}$$

$$\frac{dp}{dT} = \frac{\Delta_{trs}S}{\Delta_{trs}V}$$

**Clapeyron equation**



## Solid-liquid transition (fusion)

$$\Delta_{fus}S = \frac{\Delta_{fus}H}{T} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{dp}{dT} = \frac{\Delta_{fus}H}{T\Delta_{fus}V}$$

positive except for  $^3\text{He}$



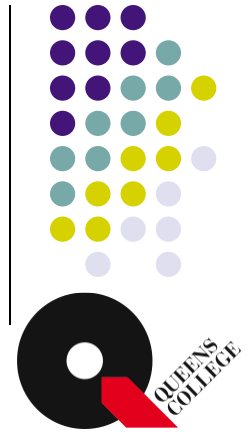
positive and small in general

**If**  $\frac{\Delta_{fus}H}{T\Delta_{fus}V}$  **is insensitive to p and T,**

$$\int_{p^*}^p dp = \frac{\Delta_{fus}H}{\Delta_{fus}V} \int_{T^*}^T \frac{dT}{T}$$

$$\rightarrow p = p^* + \frac{\Delta_{fus}H}{\Delta_{fus}V} \ln\left(\frac{T}{T^*}\right) = p^* + \frac{\Delta_{fus}H}{\Delta_{fus}V} \ln\left(1 + \frac{T - T^*}{T^*}\right)$$

$$\approx p^* + \frac{\Delta_{fus}H}{\Delta_{fus}V} \frac{T - T^*}{T^*} \quad \text{for } T - T^* \ll T^*$$



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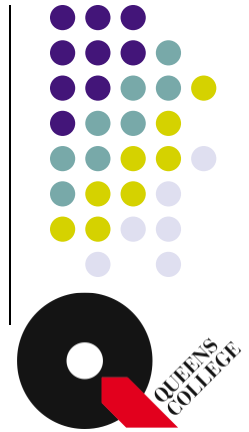
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**Clausius-Clapeyron equation**





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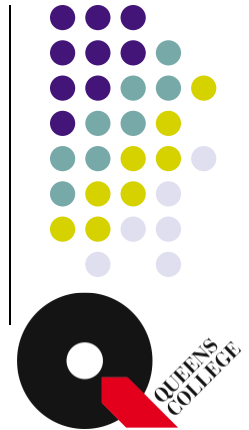
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**Clausius-Clapeyron equation**

$$\int_{p^*}^p dp \ln p = \ln(p/p^*) = \int_T^{T^*} dT \frac{\Delta_{vap}H}{RT^2} \approx -\frac{\Delta_{vap}H}{R} \left( \frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T^*} \right)$$

$\Delta_{vap}H$  is assumed to be independent of temperature

$$p = p^* e^{-\chi} \quad \text{where} \quad \chi = \frac{\Delta_{vap}H}{R} \left( \frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T^*} \right)$$



## Classification of phase transition (Ehrenfest)

$$\left(\frac{\partial\mu_\beta}{\partial p}\right)_T - \left(\frac{\partial\mu_\alpha}{\partial p}\right)_T = V_{\beta,m} - V_{\alpha,m} = \Delta_{trs}V$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial\mu_\beta}{\partial T}\right)_p - \left(\frac{\partial\mu_\alpha}{\partial T}\right)_p = -S_{\beta,m} + S_{\alpha,m} = -\Delta_{trs}S = -\frac{\Delta_{trs}H}{T_{trs}}$$

### **(i) First order phase transition (boiling, melting,...)**

$\Delta_{trs}V$  and  $\Delta_{trs}H$  are finite.

$\left(\frac{\partial\mu}{\partial T}\right)_T$  and  $\left(\frac{\partial\mu}{\partial p}\right)_T$  are discontinuous.

$C_p$  is infinite.

### **(ii) Second order phase transition (conducting-superconducting,...)**

$\Delta_{trs}V$  and  $\Delta_{trs}H$  are zero.

$\left(\frac{\partial\mu}{\partial T}\right)_T$  and  $\left(\frac{\partial\mu}{\partial p}\right)_T$  are continuous.

$C_p$  is discontinuous.

