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Quantum Glass in Solid He?¹ ALEXANDER BALATSKY,
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Kim and Chan has stimulated an active debate about true nature of a low tem-
perature state of solid ^4He . We will discuss possible glassy component that could
be present in solid ^4He . We will focus on i) the role of tunneling systems (TS) as
a component that freezes out at lowest temperatures and ii) interactions between
TS. We will address possible quantum effects and the role of TS statistics in solid
 ^4He vs solid ^3He - ^4He mixtures. Implications for the torsional oscillator and for
thermodynamics will be discussed as well.

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