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Universal temperature dependence of the mass flux in solid helium¹ ROBERT HALLOCK, YE. VEKHOV, Univ. of Mass. Amherst — The flux, F , carried by solid ^4He , with nominal 300 ppb ^3He concentration, χ , in the range 25.6 - 26.3 bar rises with falling temperature and at a temperature T_d the flux decreases toward zero [1]. The behavior of the flux above T_d demonstrates the presence of a bosonic Luttinger liquid [2]. We study F as a function of ^3He concentration χ for $T > T_d$ to explore the effect of ^3He on the temperature dependence of F . We find that F is sample-dependent and that the temperature dependence of F above T_d is universal; data for all samples scales to collapse on a universal curve. The universal behavior extrapolates to zero flux in the vicinity of $T_h \approx 610$ mK. With increases in temperature, an activated process degrades the flux. One possibility is the presence of kinks on dislocation cores, which would introduce disorder and introduce phase slips.

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