

and centered at the origin, which is complete except for a small angle around $|\arg z| = \pi$ gives zero (see reference 14, p. 219). This shows that

$$-\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{(0+)} P(z) dz = \frac{4 \sinh(\pi\gamma)}{3\pi\gamma} F(a, \gamma) - \frac{4 \sinh(\pi\gamma)}{3\pi\gamma}. \quad (A4)$$

The integral on the left can be performed directly.

We get

$$F(a, \gamma) = \frac{3\pi}{4a} \coth(\pi\gamma) + \frac{3\pi}{4a^3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{4\gamma^2}\right) \coth(\pi\gamma) + 3 \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r a^{-2r-2}}{(2r+1)(2r-1)} \prod_{n=0}^r [1 + (n\gamma^{-1})^2]. \quad (A5)$$

This is the result we needed to prove (36).

Superconductivity and Ferromagnetism in Isomorphous Compounds

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Isomorphous germanides of some of the rare earth metals are observed to become either ferromagnetic or superconducting. It is concluded that there is a close relationship between the two phenomena.

SINCE the discovery of ferromagnetism in $ZrZn_2$,¹ it has become increasingly more likely that the relation between superconductivity and ferromagnetism may be a much closer one than had until now been anticipated. We have recently found a number of iso-

and either germanium or silicon. Superconductivity or ferromagnetism was discovered in the germanides listed in Table I. In Table II measurements of the corresponding silicides are reported.

From Table II it becomes evident that if any of the silicides aside from $PrSi_2$ should ever become super-

TABLE I. Transition temperatures of rare earth germanides.

		Transition temperature	Crystal structure
ScGe ₂	superconducting	1.30°–1.31°K	?
YGe ₂	superconducting	3.8°K	tetragonal ThSi ₂
LaGe ₂	superconducting	1.49°K	orthorhombically distorted ThSi ₂
		Curie point	
CeGe ₂	ferromagnetic	~4.5°K	orthorhombically distorted ThSi ₂
PrGe ₂	ferromagnetic	19°K	tetragonal ThSi ₂
NdGe ₂	ferromagnetic	3.6°K	tetragonal ThSi ₂

morphous compounds which are either superconducting or ferromagnetic and which illustrate this point of view further. These compounds are being formed between elements of the third column of the periodic system

¹ B. T. Matthias and R. M. Bozorth, *Phys. Rev.* **109**, 604 (1958).

TABLE II. Transition temperatures of rare earth silicides.

		Crystal structure
ScSi ₂	normal above 1°K	?
YSi ₂	normal above 1°K	orthorhombically distorted ThSi ₂
LaSi ₂	normal above 1°K	tetragonal ThSi ₂
CeSi ₂	normal above 1°K	tetragonal ThSi ₂
PrSi ₂	Ferromagnetic curie point at 10.5°K	tetragonal ThSi ₂
NdSi ₂	normal above 1°K	tetragonal ThSi ₂

conducting or ferromagnetic, this could only happen at a much lower temperature than the corresponding germanides. From this, one might ask whether an electronic configuration favorable to superconductivity is also favorable to ferromagnetism?

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