

Fig. 8. α_f as a function of T for He⁴ at P=25.47 kg cm² and $T < T_F$

perature. The curve of Fig. 3 exhibits a sharp rise in α_{ℓ} with decreasing P_m until a maximum is reached at $\sim 50^{\circ}$ kg cm². At pressures below this, α_{ℓ} decreases rapidly, becomes discontinuous at the λ -point by assuming large negative values which decrease in magnitude with further decreases in P_m , as shown in Fig. 8. The α_{ℓ} values of Keesom and Keesom (9), plotted in Fig. 8, were derived from their PVT measurements and show good agreement with the present data.

The V_f measurements of Table I agree with those of Dugdale and Simon (3) to within I percent. The newly determined melting curve, expressed by Eq. (2) and Table VI, forms a smooth extension of that reported earlier (1).