# Beyond mean-field effects in a cold gas: multibody interactions and quantum droplets

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# **Quantum stabilization**





BEC analog: Classical or mean-field limit = Gross-Pitaevskii equation BEC analog: Mean field + Gaussian fluctuations = GP+LHY

**Classical vacuum** 





Can there be a classically unstable system, yet stable when quantum mechanics is "switched on" ?

### Quantum stabilization idea



Stable for sufficiently fast growing  $\omega(x)$ 

Classically unstable degree of freedom stabilized by quantum fluctuations in another degree of freedom!

# BEC analog: quantum droplet!



The gas should remain dilute, otherwise short lifetime!



Lots of ``beyond-mean-field prospects"!

# **Quantum droplets**



LHY correction is UNIVERSAL (depends only on the scattering length) and QUANTUM (zero-point energy of Bogoliubov phonons)!

Observed in ultracold gases where the scattering length is tunable by using Feshbach resonances (Innsbruck, MIT, ENS, JILA, Rice)



Unfortunately, the effect is perturbative and the LHY term is smaller than the mean-field one!

### Bose-Bose mixture, mean field



$$^{39}$$
K: |F=1,m<sub>e</sub>=0> and |F=1,m<sub>e</sub>=-1>





### LHY correction

#### **Bogoliubov theory**





# **Quantum** stabilization

$$\delta g = g_{12} + \sqrt{g_{11}g_{22}} \ll \sqrt{g_{11}g_{22}} = g$$

The mean-field term "locks" the ratio  $\frac{n_2}{n_1} = \sqrt{\frac{g_{11}}{g_{22}}}$ 

Softening of lower Bog. mode  $c_{-} \ll c_{+} \propto \sqrt{gn/m}$ 

only the ``hard" + branch contributes to the LHY term

The structure of the energy-density functional:

$$\frac{E}{\text{Volume}} = A_1 \times \delta g \times n^2 + A_2 \times (m/\hbar^2)^{3/2} (gn)^{5/2}$$



Gas exists in equilibrium with vacuum. Saturation density



Density is tunable by modifying interaction parameters!



Rescaling  $\vec{r} = \xi \vec{\tilde{r}}$ ,  $t = \tau \tilde{t}$ ,  $N = n\xi^3 \tilde{N}$ , where  $\xi \propto 1/\sqrt{m|\delta g|n}$ ,  $\tau \propto 1/|\delta g|n$   $\vec{l} = \frac{1}{\delta_{\tilde{t}}} \varphi = (-\nabla_{\vec{\tilde{r}}}^2/2 - 3|\varphi|^2 + 5|\varphi|^3/2 - \widetilde{\mu})\varphi$ Modified Gross-Pitaevskii equation  $\widetilde{N} = \int |\varphi|^2 d^3 \widetilde{r}$ Modified Gross-Pitaevskii equation cubic-quartic nonlinearities



#### **Bogoliubov-de Gennes eqs.**, excitations



### Zero-temperature object



No discrete modes → the droplet evaporates itself to zero T! (by contrast, <sup>4</sup>He droplets always have discrete modes)

Macroscopic zero-temperature object:

- is interesting by itself
- can be used for sympathetic cooling of other systems

### LHY depends on ...



...and life becomes <del>harder</del> more interesting in the inhomogeneous case particularly if LDA is not valid

# Low-dimensional case

Bogoliubov theory — ``Mean field + LHY'' (DP, Astrakharchik'16)

$$\frac{E}{\text{Volume}} = \frac{g_{11}n_1^2 + g_{22}n_2^2 + 2g_{12}n_1n_2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{\pm}\sum_{k} \left[E_{\pm}(k) - \frac{k^2}{2} - c_{\pm}^2\right]$$

**Dimension enters here!** 

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3D: 
$$\frac{E_{3D}}{\text{Volume}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma \sigma'} g_{\sigma \sigma'} n_{\sigma} n_{\sigma'} + \frac{8}{15 \pi^2} \sum_{\pm} c_{\pm}^5 \sim \delta g n^2 + (gn)^{5/2}$$
  
 $\sqrt{n g^3} \ll 1$ 

2D: 
$$\frac{E_{2D}}{\text{Surface}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} g_{\sigma\sigma'} n_{\sigma} n_{\sigma'} + \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_{\pm} c_{\pm}^4 \ln \frac{c_{\pm}^2 \sqrt{e}}{\kappa^2} \sim g^2 n^2 \ln \frac{n}{n_0}$$
$$g_{\sigma\sigma'} = 2\pi / \ln \left( 2e^{-\gamma} / a_{\sigma\sigma'} \kappa \right) \ll 1$$

1D: 
$$\frac{E_{1D}}{\text{Length}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma \sigma'} g_{\sigma \sigma'} n_{\sigma} n_{\sigma'} - \frac{2}{3\pi} \sum_{\pm} c_{\pm}^{3} \sim \delta g n^{2} - (gn)^{3/2}$$
  
 $\sqrt{g/n} \ll 1$ 

#### 2D symmetric case



1D symmetric case



#### 3D vs low-D

- 3D droplet disappears for  $N < N_c$
- Low-D droplets are bound for any N
- 3D liquids are in the mean-field unstable regime ( $\delta g < 0$ )
- 2D mixture liquefies for any weakly repulsive intra- and weakly attractive interspecies interaction
- 1D liquid is in the regime stable from the mean-field viewpoint ( $\delta g > 0$ )
- The 1D modified stationary GP equation is solvable  $\rightarrow$  full analytic solution for the shape of the droplet  $\psi(x) = \frac{\sqrt{n_0} \mu/\mu_0}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \mu/\mu_0} \cosh(\sqrt{-2\mu} x)}$

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### Bose-Bose mixture vs Dy/Er

#### **Bose-Bose mixture**

dipolar Bose gas







LHY = 
$$\frac{8}{15 \pi^2} \frac{m^4}{\hbar^3} \langle c^5(\hat{k}) \rangle_{\hat{k}}$$

(Lima&Pelster'11)

# **Multi-Body Interactions**

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### Uniform dilute one-component gas

$$\frac{E}{\text{Volume}} = \frac{g_2 n^2}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{128}{15} \sqrt{\frac{na^3}{\pi}} \right) + g_3 \frac{n^3}{3!} + \dots$$

3-body interaction is noticeable if  $g_3 \sim g_2/n$ , i.e., in the dilute limit we basically need  $g_2=0$ 

... so, the aim is

$$g_2=0$$
 and  $g_3 > 0$  and strong!

## Why interesting?

Bosons +  $g_2 < 0$  Collapse

Bosons +  $g_2 < 0 + g_3 > 0$  Free space  $\rightarrow$  self-trapped droplet state Bulgac'02:

- Neglecting surface tension, flat density profile  $n=3|g_2|/2g_3$
- Including surface tension  $\rightarrow$  surface modes



Increasing  $g_2 < 0$  Topological transition, not crossover! pairs repel because  $g_3 > 0$ Radzihovsky et al., Romans et al., Lee&Lee'04

Pairing on a lattice with three-body constraint:

Daley et al.'09-, Ng&Yang'11, Bonnes&Wessel'12,...

 $g_3$  is necessary! = Pauli pressure in the BCS-BEC crossover!

### Why interesting? (contd.)

Local repulsive  $g_{k+1}$  is the ``parent'' Hamiltonian for the *k*-th state of the Read-Rezayi series of quantum Hall states, Nayak et al., Rev. Mod. Phys.'08

- k=1 (2-body int.)  $\rightarrow$  Laughlin state (abelian anyons)
- k=2 (3-body int.)  $\rightarrow$  Moore-Read state (non-abelian anyons, some topologically protected operations)
- k=3 (4-body int.)  $\rightarrow$  Read-Rezayi state (non-abelian anyons, universal quantum computing)

Ground state degeneracy protected by gap ~  $g_{k+1}$  Important to maximize !

# Why interesting? (contd.#2)



Rotonized superfluid & supersolid



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Mechanical stability for  $g_{_3} > 0$ Lu et al'15

#### Phase diagram



# Dimensions of X-dimensional coupling constants



# Effective multi-body interactions

Parasites which appear when we want to simplify our life:



Hammer et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. (2013)








Perturbative, second order, weak, attractive, but BREAKS INTEGRABILITY!



Weak, higher order in  $g/\omega$ , but important due to high Landau level degeneracy!

# LETTERS

# Time-resolved observation of coherent multi-body interactions in quantum phase revivals

Sebastian Will<sup>1,2</sup>, Thorsten Best<sup>1</sup>, Ulrich Schneider<sup>1,2</sup>, Lucia Hackermüller<sup>1</sup>, Dirk-Sören Lühmann<sup>3</sup> & Immanuel Bloch<sup>1,2,4</sup>



# Optical lattice → Hubbard model



Weak, high order in  $g/\omega$ , but measurable Campbell et al.'06, Will et al.'10

#### **3-body interacting case: perturb. prosp.**

$$E(N) = U_2 \frac{N(N-1)}{2!} + U_3 \frac{N(N-1)(N-2)}{3!} + U_4 \frac{N(N-1)(N-2)(N-3)}{4!} + \dots$$

Perturbative approach Johnson et al.'09





# Dipoles on layers



#### Vertex function and bound state

Vertex function for 2D scattering with weakly-bound state + dipolar tails Baranov et al.'11



#### <u>3-body coupling constant</u>





# **Bilayer** with tunneling





#### Small $r_{\star}$ – large off shell contribution





X-dimensional 3-body scattering = (2X)-dimensional 2-body scattering on a potential characterized by the range  $R_3 \propto 1/\sqrt{\Omega}$ 

Three-body interaction grows with decreasing  $\Omega$  What happens when  $\Omega = 0$ ?

# **Connection between LHY and three-body force**

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DSP and Recati, to be published... since a long time...



# 谢谢大家的关注。

# Summary



Ω=0 → 3D: LHY correction = 2.5-body repulsion  $∝ n^{5/2}$ 2D: MF+ beyond MF  $∝ n^2 \ln n$ 1D: LHY correction = 1.5-body attraction  $∝ -n^{3/2}$ 

- Gapped stiff mode  $\rightarrow$  LHY correction transforms into effective 3-body force
- Same in low dimensions (coincides with direct three-body calculations)
- Also checked the nonsymmetric case.
- Bogoliubov theory powerful tool for calculating three-body force. More efficient than direct solution of the three-body problem.

## Prospects

Theory beyond local density approximation (LDA)

- droplet of two-dimensional scalar bosons with zero-range interactions. Theory beyond Hammer&Son'04

- quasi-low-dimensional problems with short- and long-range interactions when the healing length of the mode responsible for the LHY correction is comparable to the size of the condensate

- LHY correction to the supersolid phase?

 $B_N/B_{N-1} \rightarrow 8.567$ 

Get out of the weakly-interacting regime while staying dilute?

- use sign-problem-free bosonic Monte Carlo

Fermions?

#### BTW, 4-body interacting lattice case

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 $\Omega = 2\pi \times 1.7 \, \text{kHz}$ 

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# Scattering length (free space)



#### Three-body interaction (free space)



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# 4-body interacting case

$$\Omega = 2\pi \times 1.7 \, \text{kHz}$$



## Perspectives

- Bosonic dipoles... Have to wait a bit...
- <sup>39</sup>K on a lattice
- collapse and revivals
- solitonic-like self-trapping
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• Strong three-body interaction = large-size off-shell effects! Need small *t* (bilayers) or small  $\sqrt{\Omega^2 + \Delta^2}$  (RF coupling)

# Implementation

#### Dipoles in the bilayer geometry with interlayer tunneling



Integrating out the interlayer degree of freedom we obtain 2D dipoles with 3-body repulsion!

#### Same ideas applied to hyperfine states of an atom

<sup>39</sup>K:  $|F=1,m_{r}=0>$  and  $|F=1,m_{r}=-1>$  (suitable inter- and intra-species interactions)



- Couple them with RF (~50MHz)  $\Omega$  = Rabi frequency (~kHz)
- $\Delta =$  Detuning (~kHz)

$$\sqrt{\Omega^2 + \Delta^2} = \text{spin splitting} \gg T$$

Should work in any dimension: 3D, 2D, 1D, 0D (lattice)!

#### Vertex function and bound state

Vertex function for 2D scattering with weakly-bound state + dipolar tails:



#### <u>S-wave scattering at finite collision energy</u>

$$\Gamma(E,\vec{k},\vec{k}') \approx \frac{4\pi}{\ln(4t/E) + 4\pi/g_2 + i\pi} - 2\pi r_* |\vec{k} - \vec{k}'| - 4\tan \delta_s(q) \approx g_2 - 8r_*q$$

s-wave and on shell



Two-body zero crossing + dipolar tail  $\rightarrow$  rotonization, density wave, etc

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# Three-body repulsion and trimers



### Large $r_{\star}$ – dipolar frustration



# Frustration is good!

Lattice bosons with on-site Hamiltonian



$$H = \frac{\Delta}{2} (b_{\downarrow}^{+} b_{\downarrow} - b_{\uparrow}^{+} b_{\uparrow}) - \frac{\Omega}{2} (b_{\uparrow}^{+} b_{\downarrow} + b_{\downarrow}^{+} b_{\uparrow}) + \sum_{\sigma,\sigma'} \frac{g_{\sigma\sigma'}}{2} b_{\sigma}^{+} b_{\sigma'}^{+} b_{\sigma} b_{\sigma'}$$

Bilayer dipoles  $\rightarrow \Delta = 0$ ,  $\Omega = 2t$ ,  $g_{\uparrow\uparrow} = g_{\downarrow\downarrow} > 0$ , and  $g_{\uparrow\downarrow} < 0$ 

#### Simple example





# **Optimization** problem





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