



Dipolar chromium BECs, and magnetism



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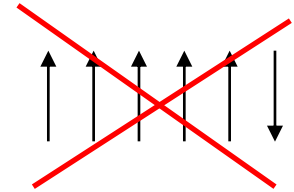
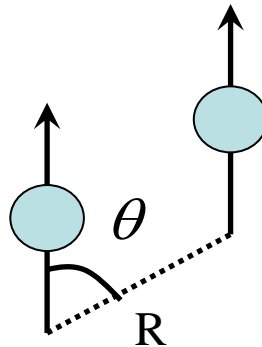
Chromium : an artificially large spin (S=3):



$$d = 6\mu_B$$

(magnetic) dipole-dipole interactions

$$V_{dd} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} S^2 (g_J \mu_B)^2 (1 - 3 \cos^2(\theta)) \frac{1}{R^3}$$



Long range
Anisotropic

Van-der-Waals (contact) interactions

$$V(R) = -\frac{C_6}{R^6} \longrightarrow V(R) = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2}{m} a_s \delta(R)$$

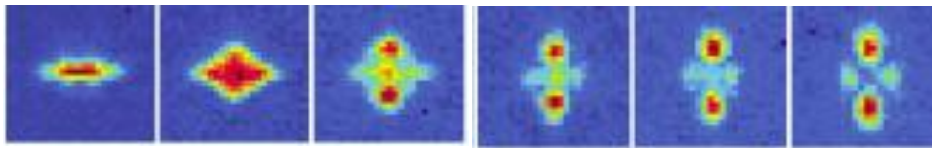
Short range
Isotropic

Relative strength of dipole-dipole and Van-der-Waals interactions

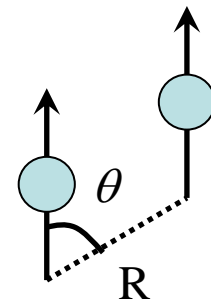
$\epsilon_{dd} > 1$ Spherical BEC collapses

$$\epsilon_{dd} = \frac{\mu_0 \mu_m^2 m}{12\pi \hbar^2 a} \propto \frac{V_{dd}}{V_{vdW}}$$

Stuttgart: Tune contact interactions using Feshbach resonances (Nature. 448, 672 (2007))



Anisotropic explosion pattern reveals dipolar coupling.



Stuttgart: d-wave collapse, PRL **101**, 080401 (2008)

See also [Er](#) PRL, **108**, 210401 (2012)

See also [Dy](#), PRL, **107**, 190401 (2012)

and [Dy Fermi sea](#) PRL, **108**, 215301 (2012) ... and **heteronuclear molecules**...

$\epsilon_{dd} < 1$ BEC stable despite attractive part of dipole-dipole interactions

Small (but interesting) effects observed – at the % level :

Cr:
 $\epsilon_{dd} = 0.16$

- **Striction** – Stuttgart, PRL **95**, 150406 (2005)
- **Collective excitations** - Villeteuse, PRL **105**, 040404 (2010)
- **Anisotropic speed of sound**, Villeteuse, PRL **109**, 155302 (2012)

Polarized (« scalar ») BEC
Hydrodynamics

Collective excitations, sound, superfluidity

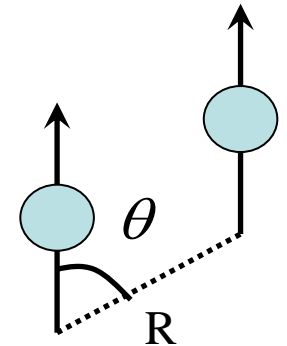
Multicomponent (« spinor ») BEC
Magnetism

Phases, spin textures...

Chromium (S=3): involve dipole-dipole interactions

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Long-ranged
Anisotropic



Hydrodynamics:
non-local mean-field

Magnetism:
Atoms are magnets

Interactions couple **spin** and
orbital degrees of freedom

Key idea:

Study magnetism with large spins ($S=3$, $S=6\dots$)

This talk:

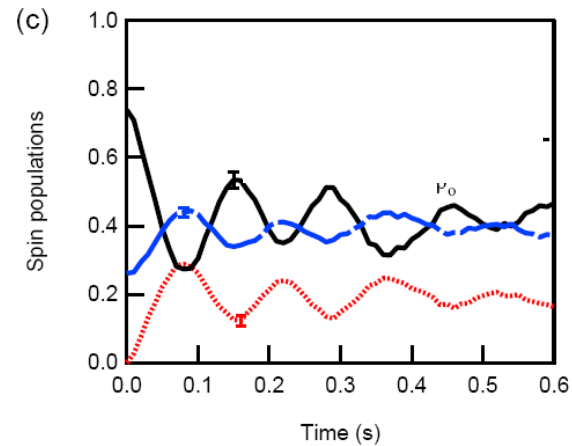
0 Introduction to spinor physics

1 Spinor physics of a Bose gas with free magnetization

2 (Quantum) magnetism in optical lattices

Introduction to spinor physics

Exchange energy
Coherent spin oscillation



Chapman,
Sengstock...

Quantum effects!

$$|0,0\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1,-1\rangle + |-1,1\rangle)$$

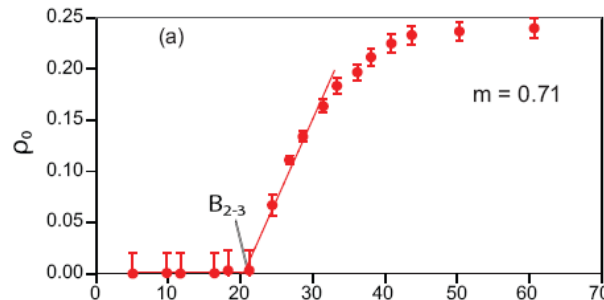
Klempt
Stamper-Kurn

Domains, spin textures, spin waves, topological states



Stamper-Kurn, Chapman,
Sengstock, Shin...

Quantum phase transitions



Stamper-Kurn,
Lett,
Gerbier

Main ingredients for spinor physics

$$S=1,2,\dots$$

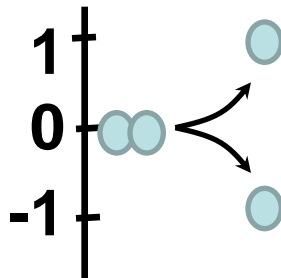
Spin-dependent contact interactions

Spin exchange

$$|m_s = 0, m_s = 0\rangle =$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|S = 2, m_{tot} = 0\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|S = 0, m_{tot} = 0\rangle$$

$$\hbar\Gamma \propto \left(\frac{4\pi\hbar^2(a_2 - a_0)}{m} \right)$$



Quadratic Zeeman effect

Main new features with Cr

$$S=3$$

7 Zeeman states

4 scattering lengths

New structures

Strong spin-dependent contact interactions

Purely linear Zeeman effect

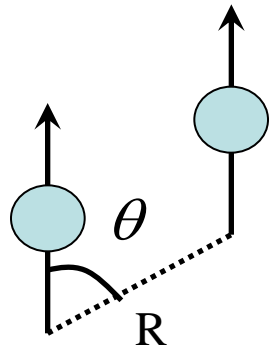
And

Dipole-dipole interactions

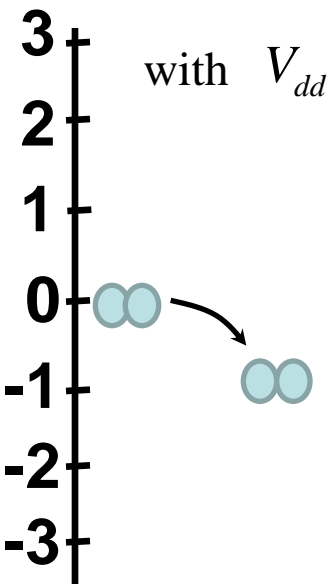
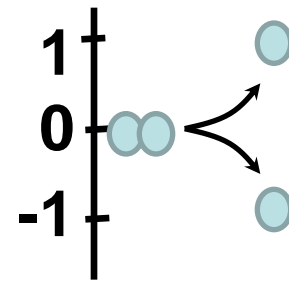
Dipolar interactions introduce magnetization-changing collisions

Dipole-dipole interactions

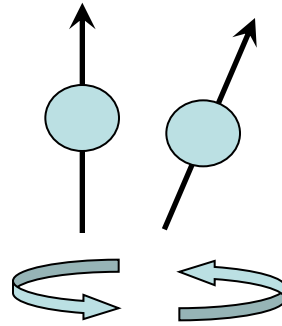
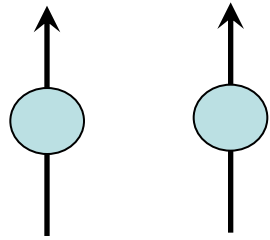
$$V_{dd} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} S^2 (g_J \mu_B)^2 (1 - 3 \cos^2(\theta)) \frac{1}{R^3}$$



without V_{dd}



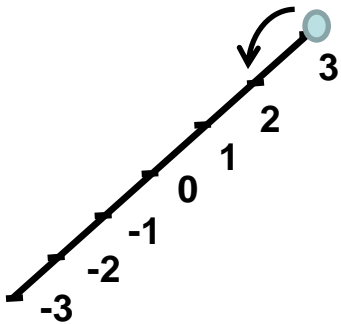
Dipolar relaxation, rotation, and magnetic field



Angular momentum conservation

$$\Delta m_S + \Delta m_l = 0$$

$$|3,3\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|3,2\rangle + |2,3\rangle)$$



$$\Delta l = 2$$

$$\Delta E = \Delta m_S g \mu_B B$$

Rotate the BEC ?
Spontaneous creation of vortices ?
Einstein-de-Haas effect

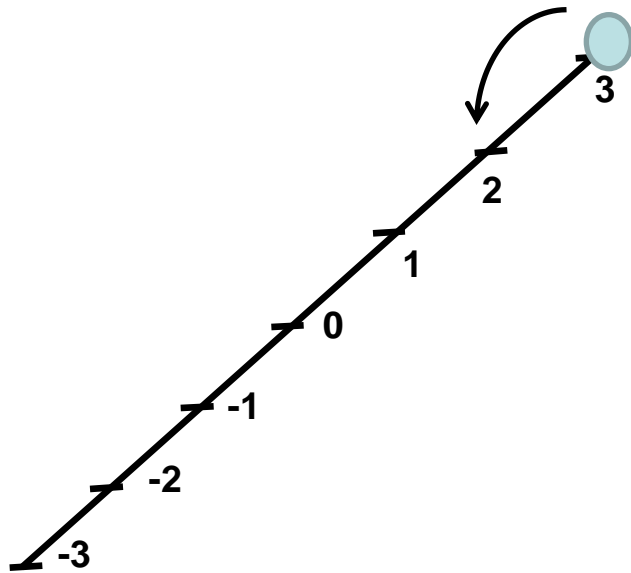
Important to control magnetic field

Ueda, PRL **96**, 080405 (2006)

Santos PRL **96**, 190404 (2006)

Gajda, PRL **99**, 130401 (2007)

B. Sun and L. You, PRL **99**, 150402 (2007)



$B=1\text{G}$

→ Particle leaves the trap

$B=10\text{ mG}$

→ Energy gain matches band excitation in a lattice

$B=.1\text{ mG}$

→ Energy gain equals to chemical potential in BEC

S=3 Spinor physics with free magnetization

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Technical challenges :

Good control of magnetic field needed (down to 100 μG)

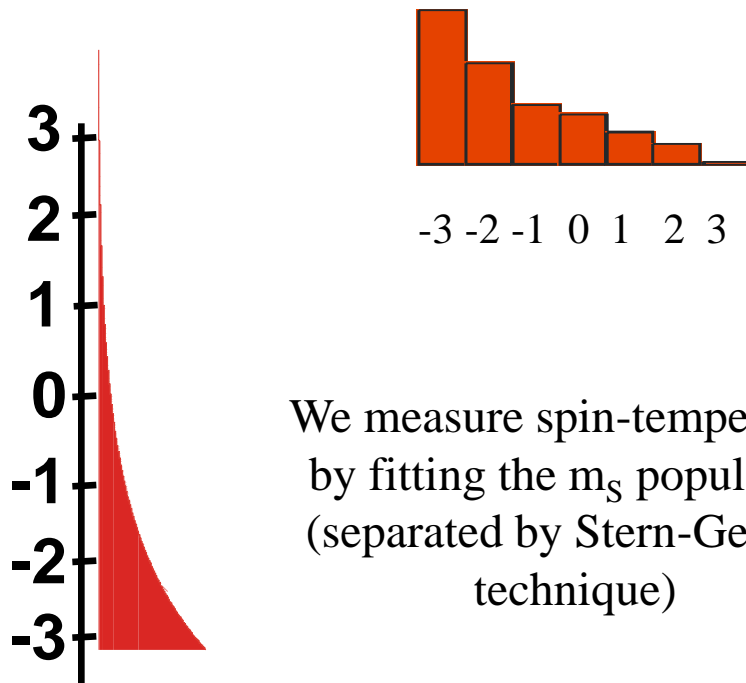
Active feedback with fluxgate sensors

Low atom number – 10 000 atoms in 7 Zeeman states

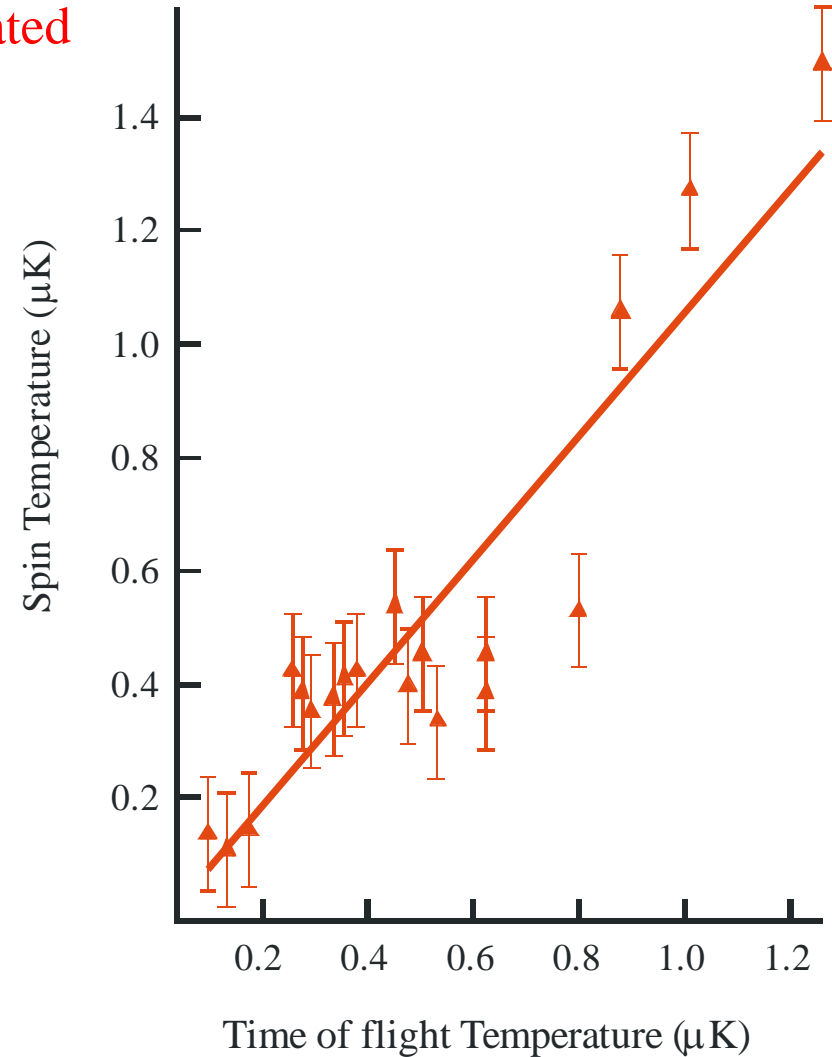
Spin temperature equilibrates with mechanical degrees of freedom

At low magnetic field: spin thermally activated

$$g\mu_B B \approx k_B T$$

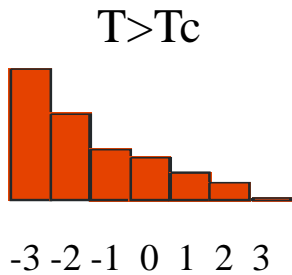


We measure spin-temperature by fitting the m_s population (separated by Stern-Gerlach technique)

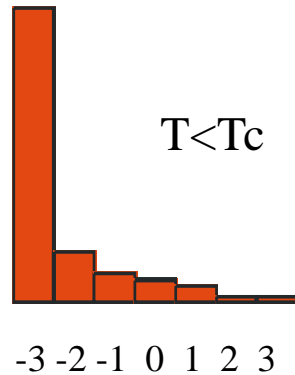


Related to Demagnetization Cooling expts,
Pfau, *Nature Physics* 2, 765 (2006)

Spontaneous magnetization due to BEC



Thermal population in Zeeman excited states

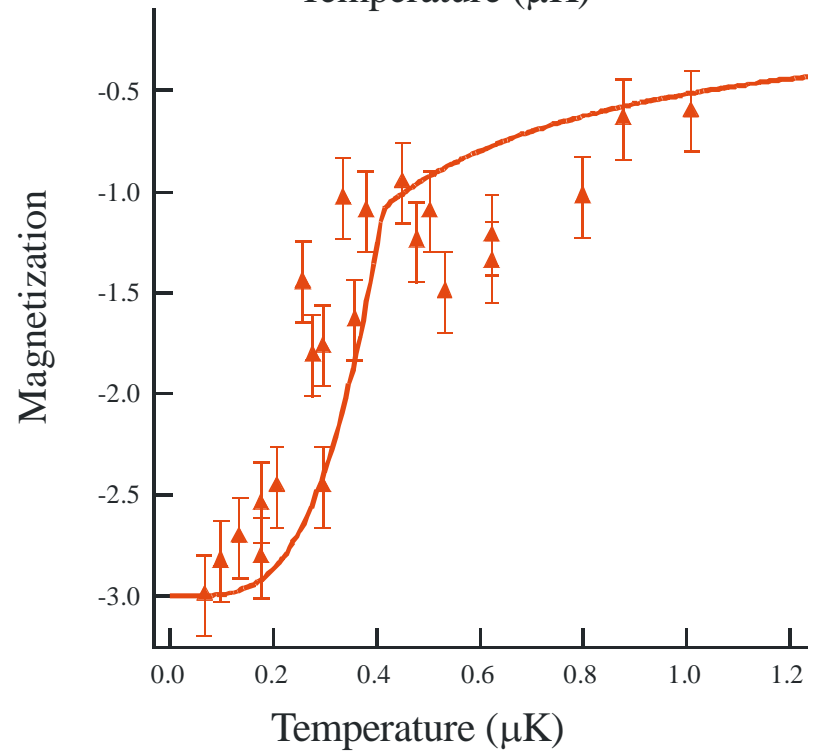
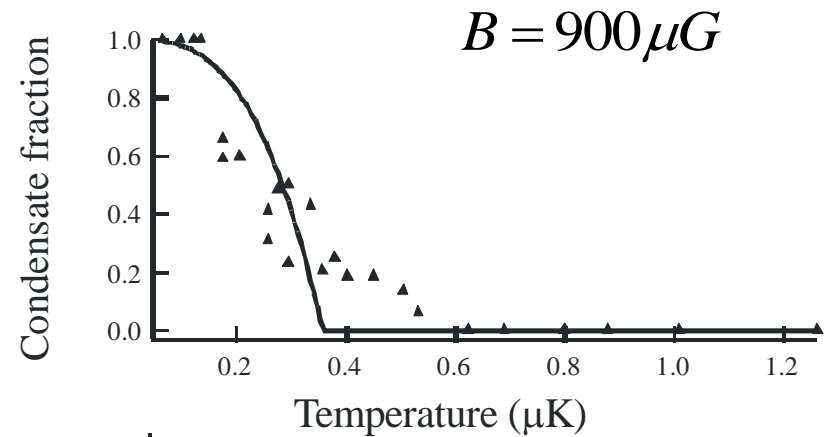


a bi-modal spin distribution

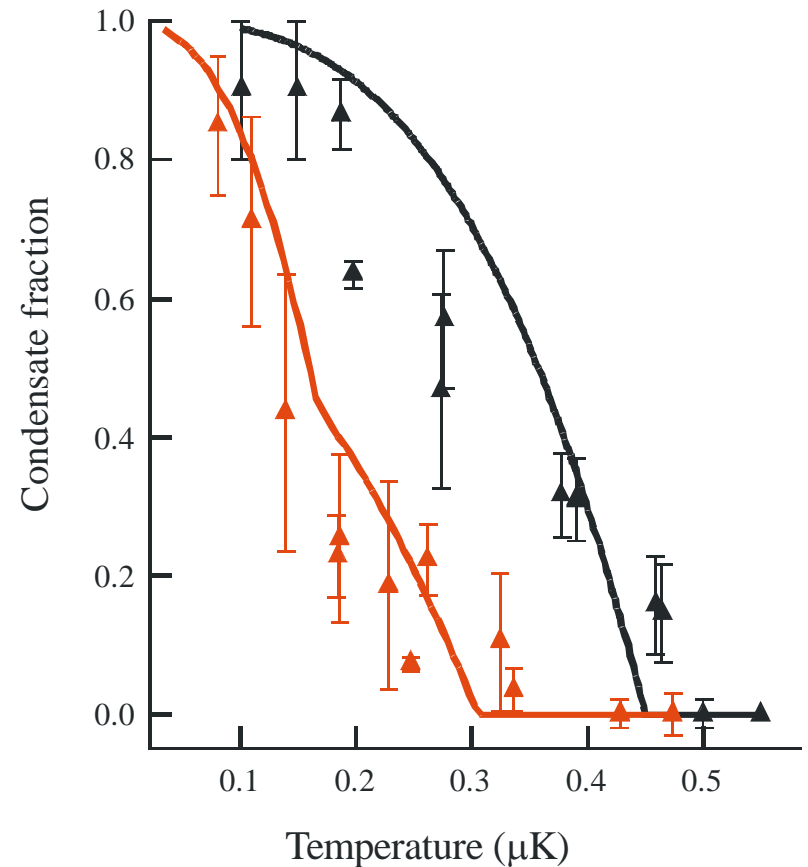
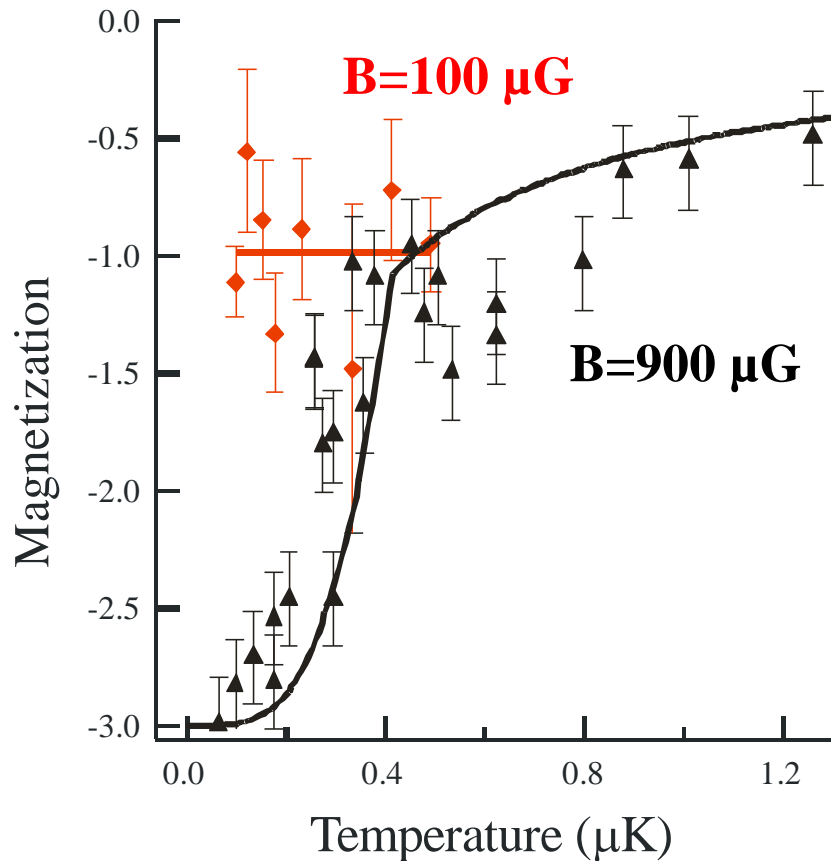
**BEC only in $m_s = -3$
(lowest energy state)**

Cloud spontaneously polarizes !

A non-interacting BEC is ferromagnetic
New magnetism, differs from solid-state



Below a critical magnetic field: the BEC ceases to be ferromagnetic !

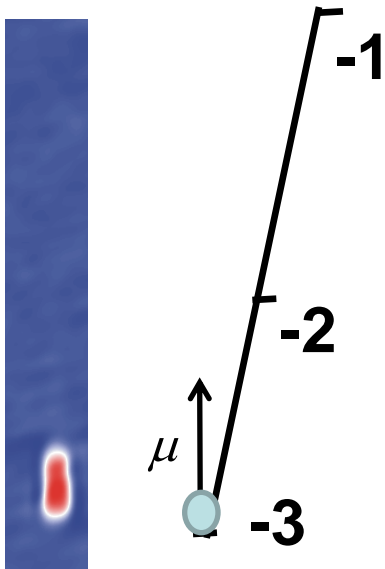


-Magnetization remains small even when the condensate fraction approaches 1
!! Observation of a depolarized condensate !!

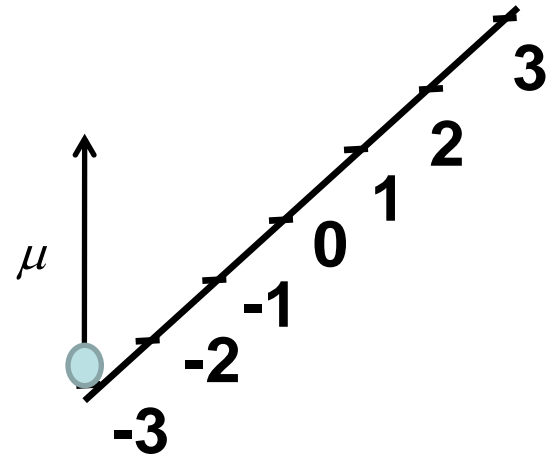
Necessarily an interaction effect

PRL 108, 045307 (2012)

Cr spinor properties at low field



Large magnetic field : ferromagnetic

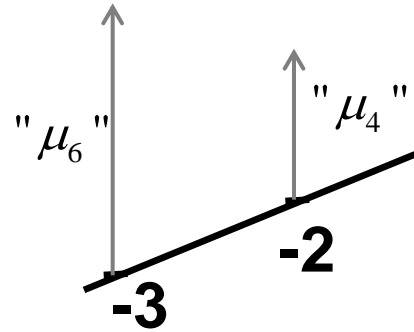


Low magnetic field : polar/cyclic

$$|m_S = -2, m_S = -2\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{6}{11}} |S = 6, m_{tot} = -4\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{5}{11}} |S = 4, m_{tot} = -4\rangle$$

$$g_J \mu_B B_c \approx \frac{2\pi \hbar^2 n_0 (a_6 - a_4)}{m}$$

PRL 106, 255303 (2011)

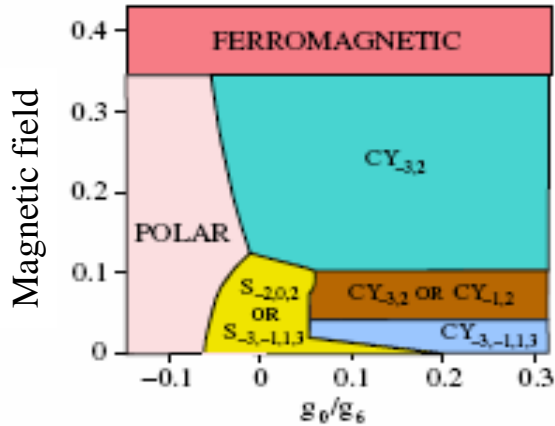


Santos PRL 96, 190404 (2006)

Ho PRL. 96, 190405 (2006)

Good agreement between field below which we see demagnetization and B_c

Open questions about equilibrium state

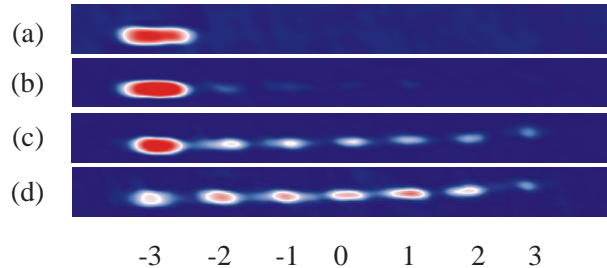


Santos and Pfau
PRL **96**, 190404 (2006)
Diener and Ho
PRL. **96**, 190405 (2006)
Demler et al.,
PRL **97**, 180412 (2006)

Phases set by contact interactions,
magnetization dynamics set by
dipole-dipole interactions

Polar

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1)$$



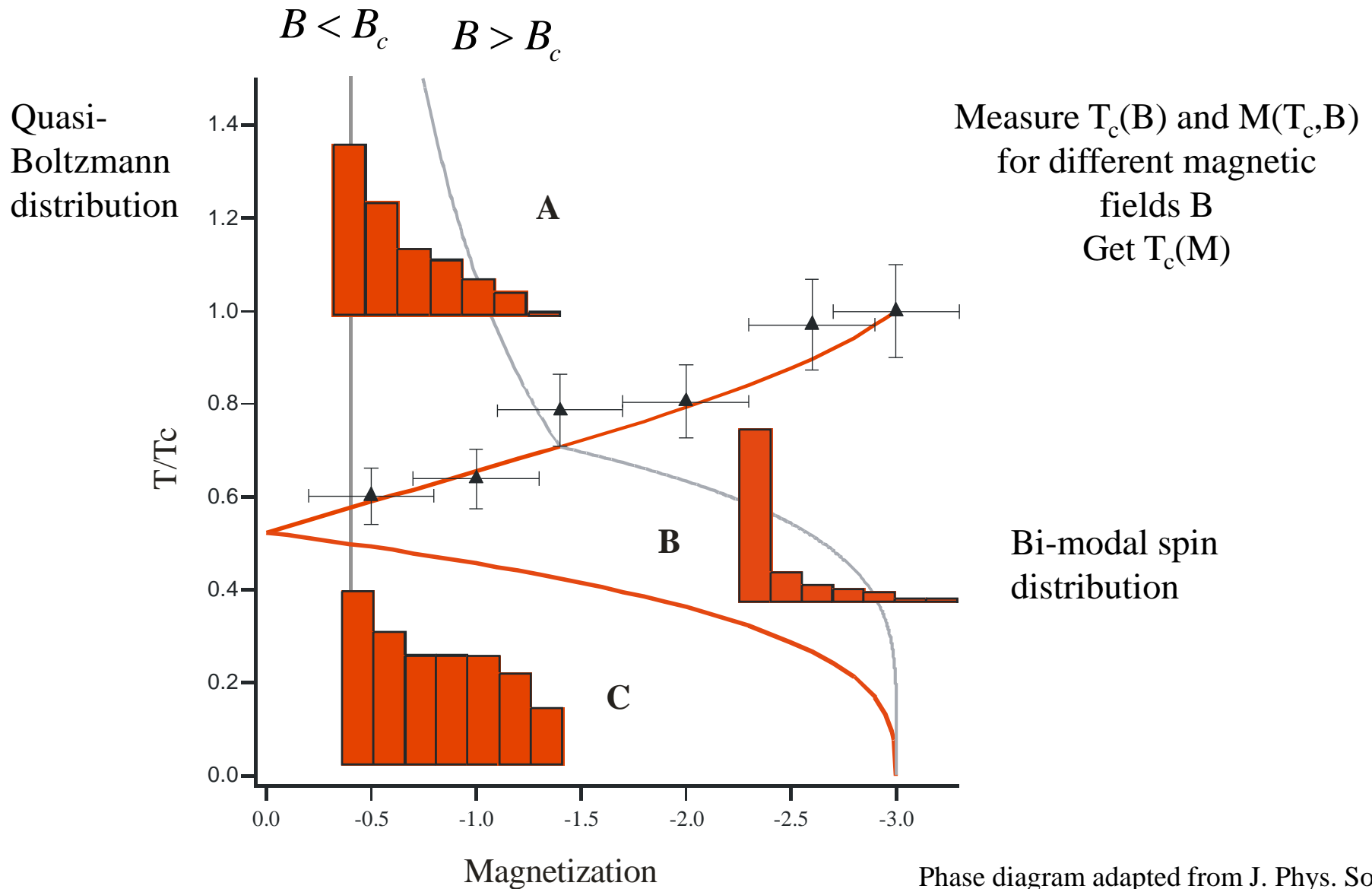
Cyclic

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0)$$

!! Depolarized BEC likely in metastable state !!

- Operate near B=0. Investigate absolute many-body ground-state
- We do not (cannot ?) reach those new ground state phases
- Quench should induce vortices...
- **Role of thermal excitations ?**

Magnetic phase diagram

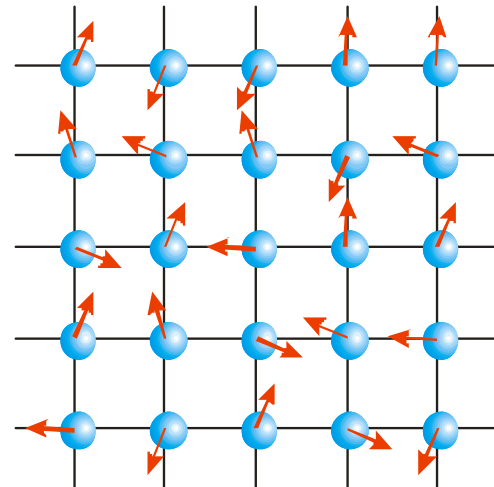


Phase diagram adapted from J. Phys. Soc.
Jpn, **69**, 12, 3864 (2000)
See also PRA, **59**, 1528 (1999)

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Study quantum magnetism with dipolar gases ?

Hubard model at half filling, Heisenberg model of magnetism (**effective spin model**)

$$S_{1z}S_{2z} + \frac{1}{2}(S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+})$$

Dipole-dipole interactions
between **real spins**

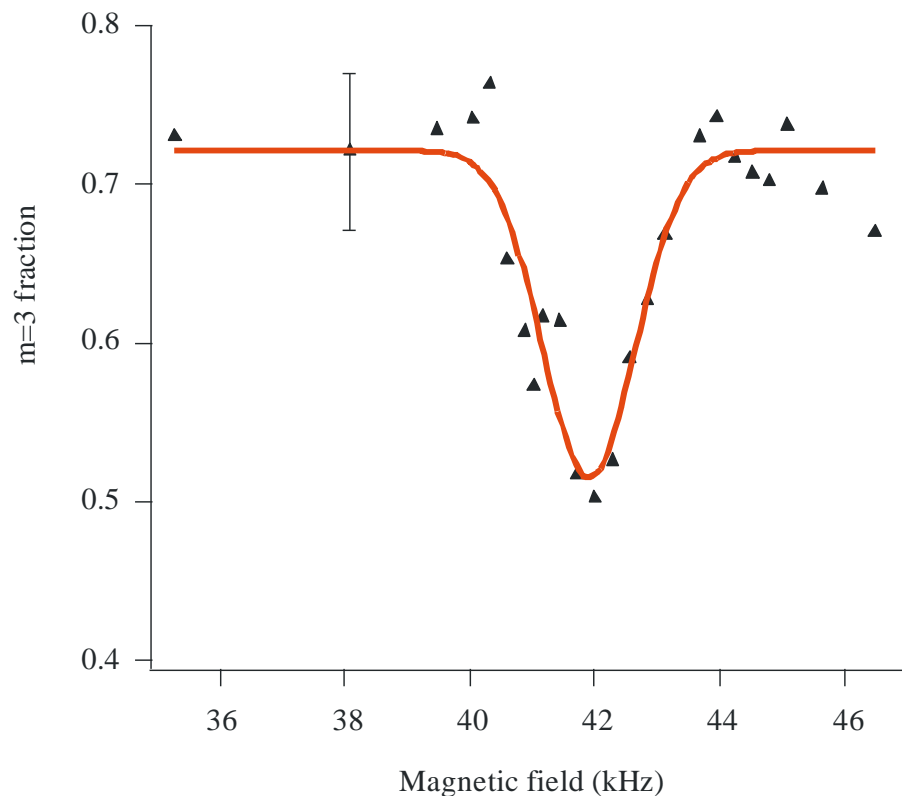
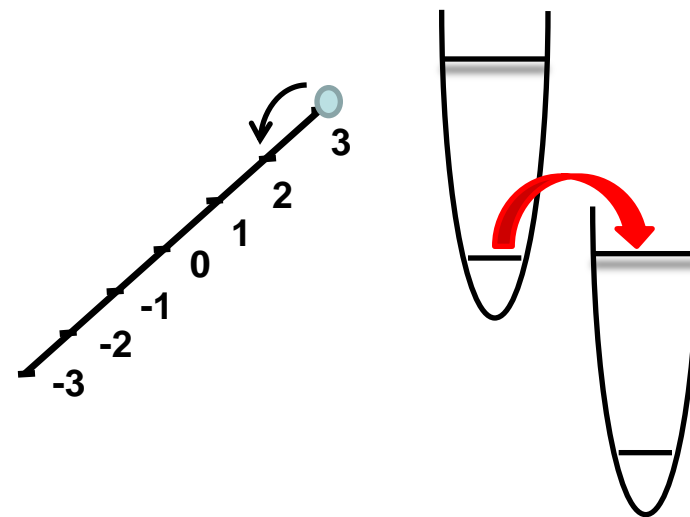
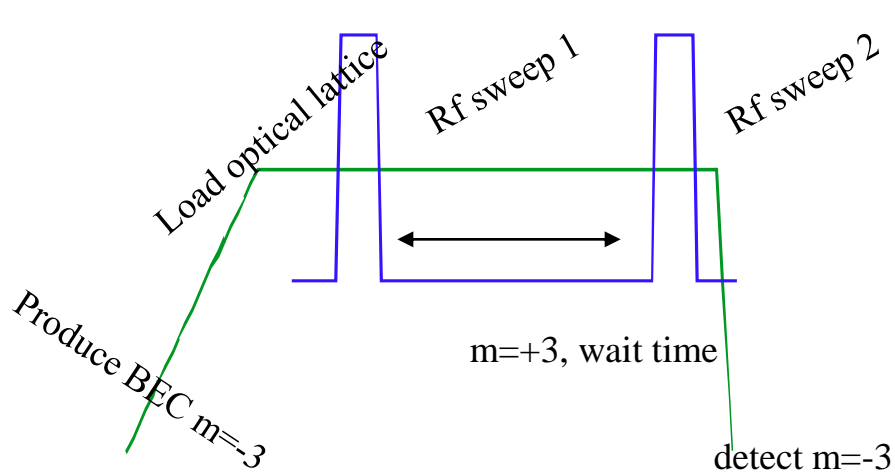
$$V_{dd} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} (g_J \mu_B)^2 \frac{S_1 \cdot S_2 - 3(S_1 \cdot \vec{u}_R)(S_2 \cdot \vec{u}_R)}{R^3}$$

$$S_{1z}S_{2z} + \frac{1}{2}(S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+}) - \frac{3}{4}(2zS_{1z} + r_-S_{1+} + r_+S_{1-}) \cdot (2zS_{2z} + r_-S_{2+} + r_+S_{2-})$$

Magnetization
changing collisions

$$S_1^- S_2^-$$

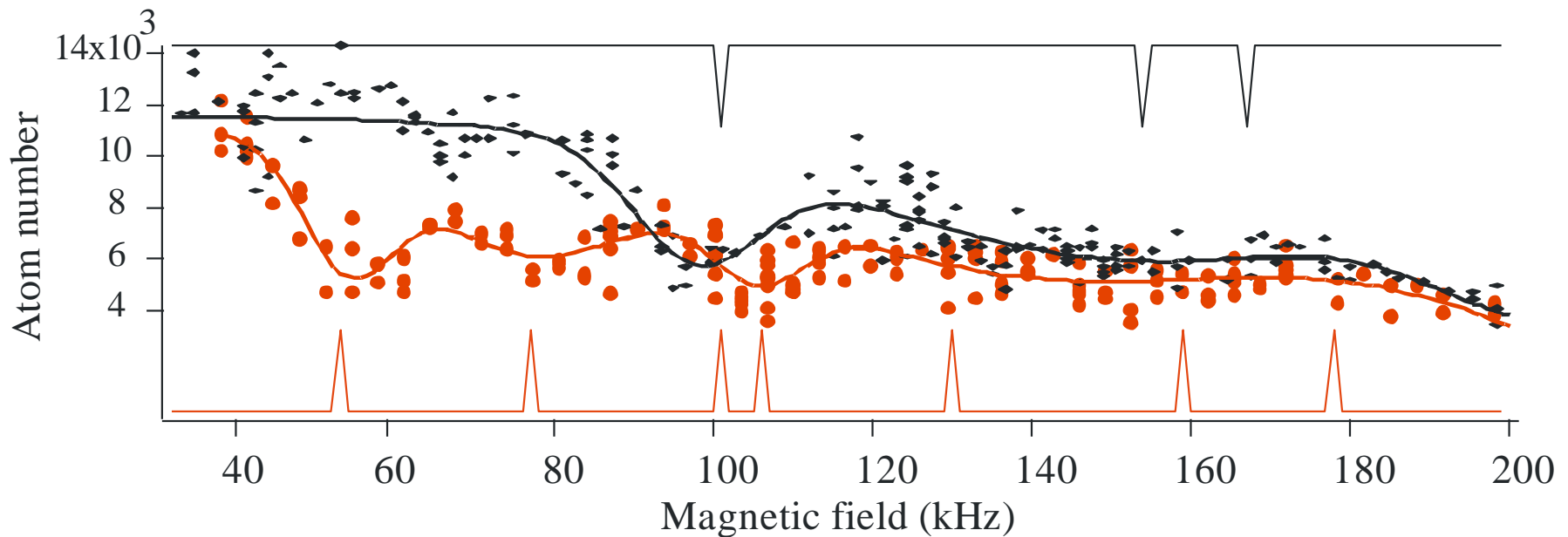
Magnetization dynamics resonance for a Mott state with two atoms per site (~ 15 mG)



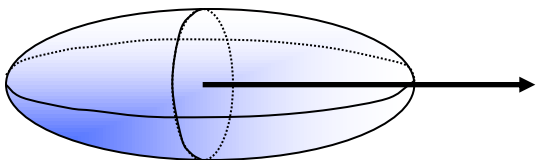
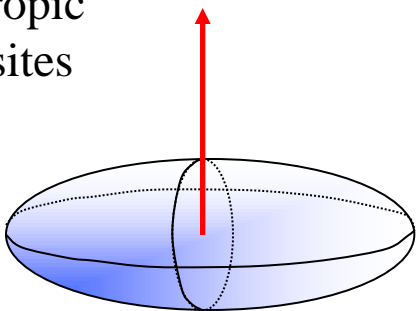
Dipolar resonance when released energy matches band excitation

Mott state locally coupled to excited band

Direct manifestation of anisotropic interactions : Strong anisotropy of dipolar resonances



Anisotropic
lattice sites



$$V_r = \frac{3}{2} S d^2 \frac{(x + iy)^2}{r^5}$$

May produce vortices in each
lattice site (Einstein-de-Haas
effect)

See also PRL **106**, 015301 (2011)

From now on : stay away from dipolar magnetization dynamics resonances,
Spin dynamics at constant magnetization (<15mG)

Magnetization
changing collisions
Can be suppressed in
optical lattices

$$\cancel{S_1^- S_2^-}$$

$$S_{1z} S_{2z} - \frac{1}{4} (S_{1+} S_{2-} + S_{1-} S_{2+})$$

Differs from Heisenberg magnetism:

$$S_{1z} S_{2z} + \frac{1}{2} (S_{1+} S_{2-} + S_{1-} S_{2+})$$

Related research with polar molecules:

- A. Micheli et al., Nature Phys. **2**, 341 (2006).
A.V. Gorshkov et al., PRL, **107**, 115301 (2011),
See also D. Peter et al., PRL. **109**, 025303 (2012)

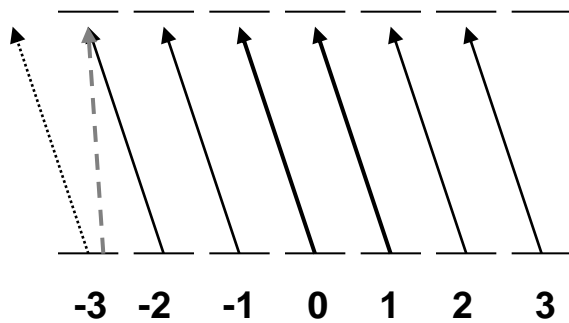
$$\alpha S_{1z} S_{2z} + \beta \frac{1}{2} (S_{1+} S_{2-} + S_{1-} S_{2+})$$

Other differences from Heisenberg magnetism:

Bosons... Not a spin $\frac{1}{2}$ system: $S=3$... Anisotropy... $-1/r^3$ dependence...
Does not rely on Mott physics... Can have more than one atom per site

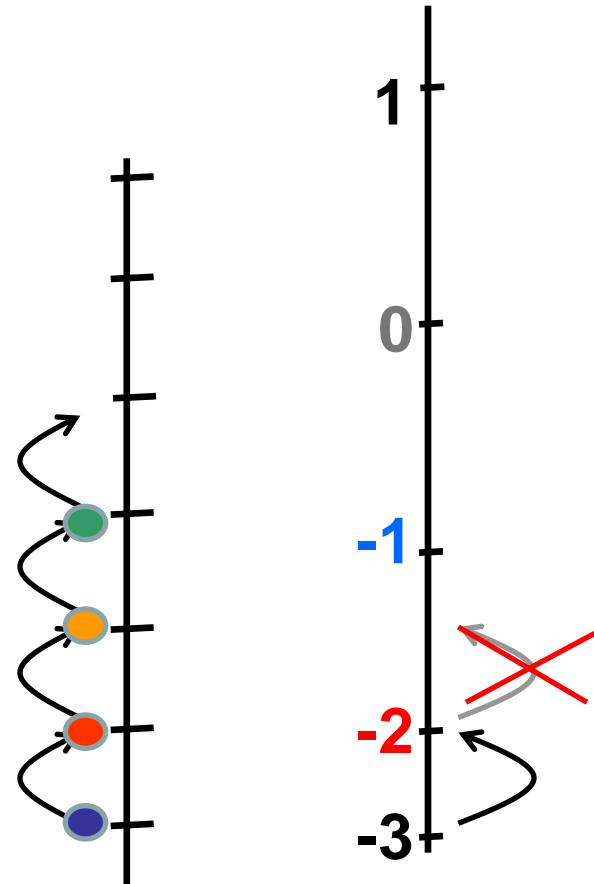
Control the initial state by a tensor light-shift

Quadratic effect allows state preparation

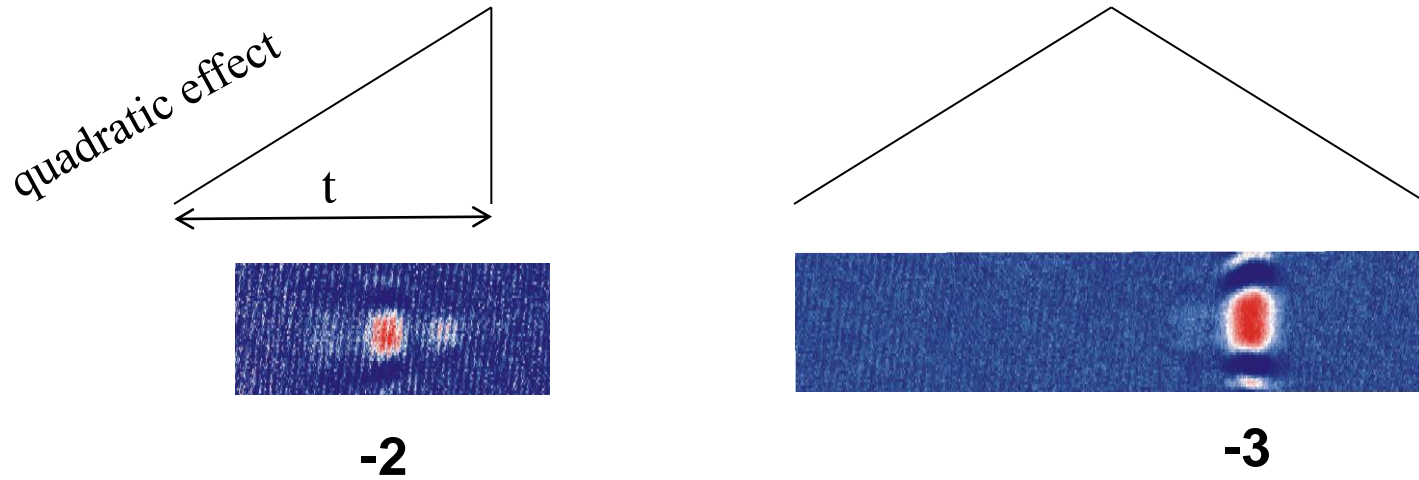


A σ - polarized laser
Close to a $J \rightarrow J$ transition
(100 mW 427.8 nm)

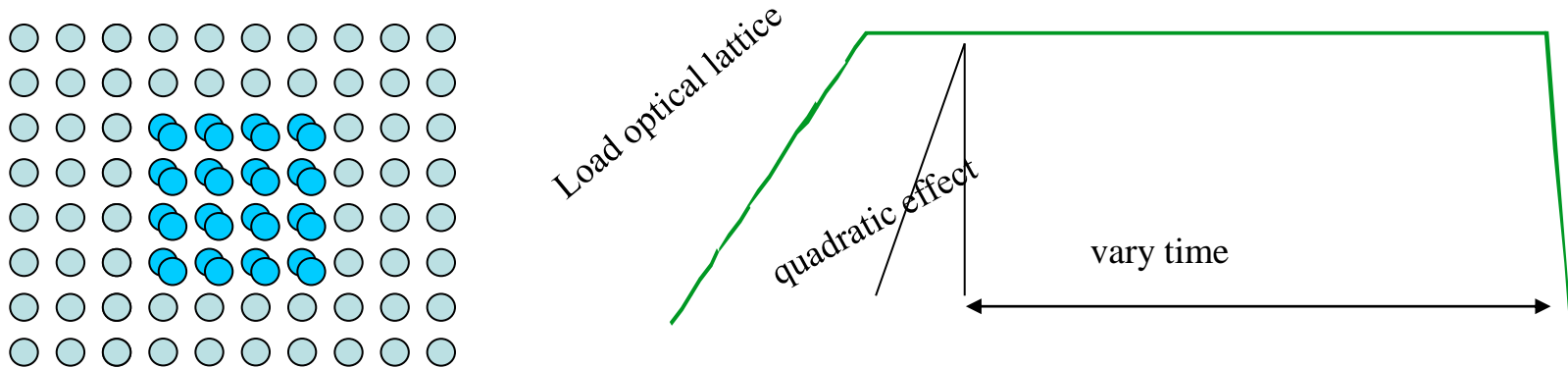
$$\Delta = \alpha m_S^2$$



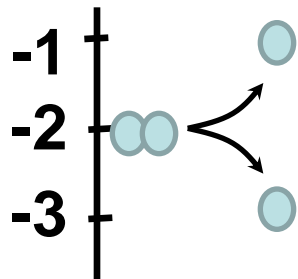
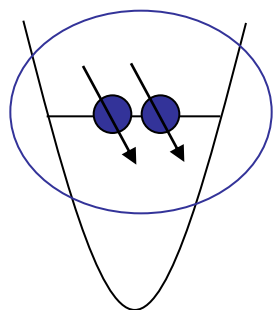
Adiabatic state preparation in 3D lattice



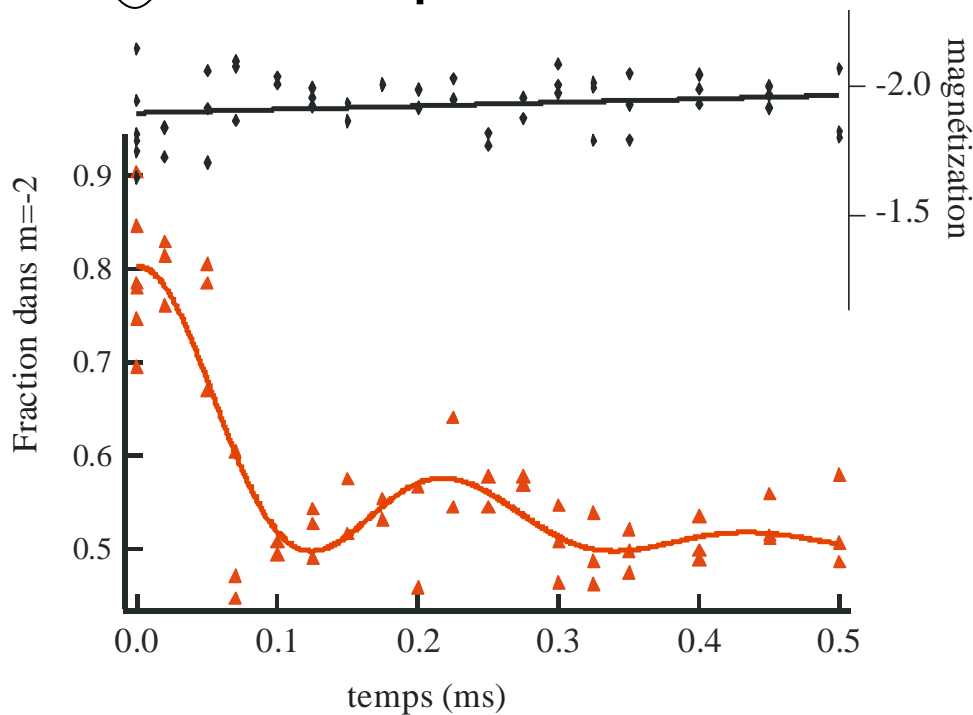
Initiate spin dynamics by removing quadratic effect



Short times : fast oscillations due to spin-dependent contact interactions



$$|m_S = -2, m_S = -2\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{6}{11}} |S = 6, m_{tot} = -4\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{5}{11}} |S = 4, m_{tot} = -4\rangle$$



(period \leftrightarrow 220 μ s)

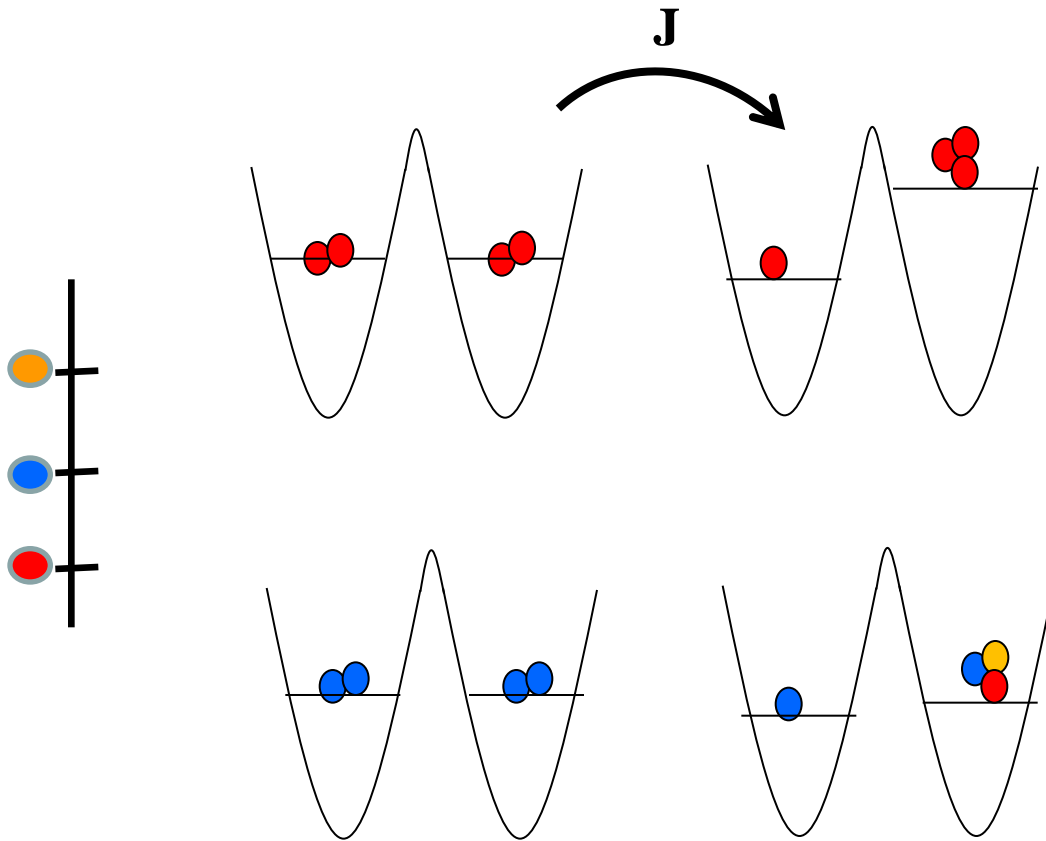
$$\Gamma = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2}{m} n(a_6 - a_4)$$

(\leftrightarrow 250 μ s)

PRELIMINARY

Up to now unknown source of damping
(sudden melting of Mott insulator ?)

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All atoms in $m_s = -3$

Mott gap $U \sim 10 \text{ kHz}$

$U/J \sim 100$

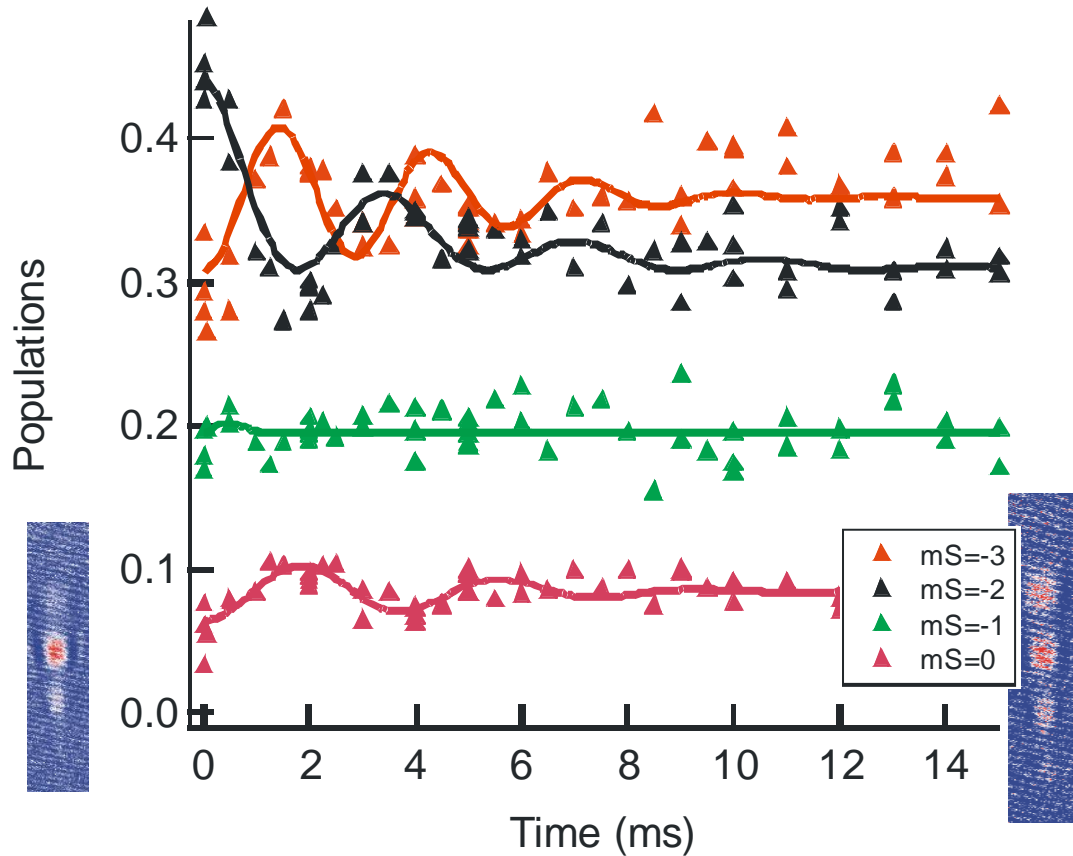
Atoms in $m_s = -2$

Gap $\Delta U \sim .5 \text{ kHz}$

$\Delta U/J \sim 5$

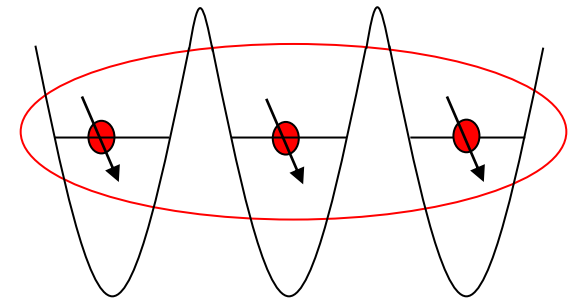
PRELIMINARY

Long time-scale spin dynamics in lattice : intersite dipolar exchange



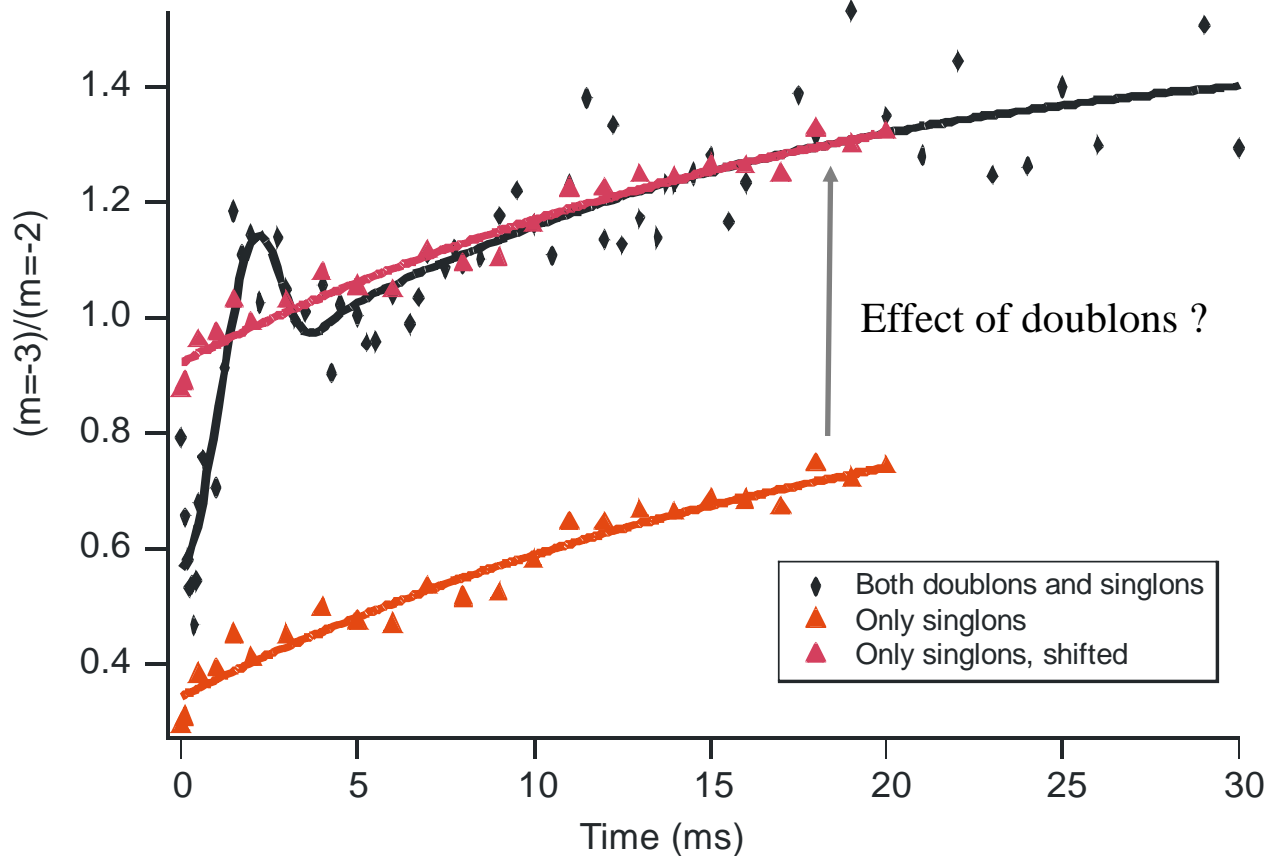
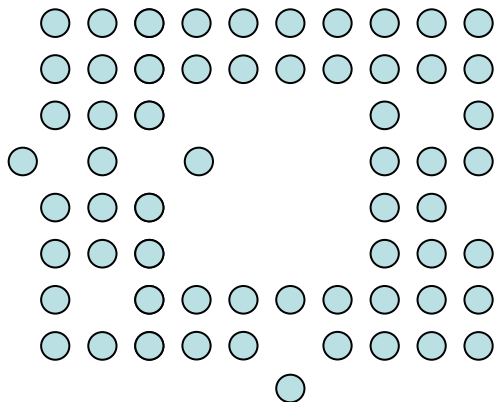
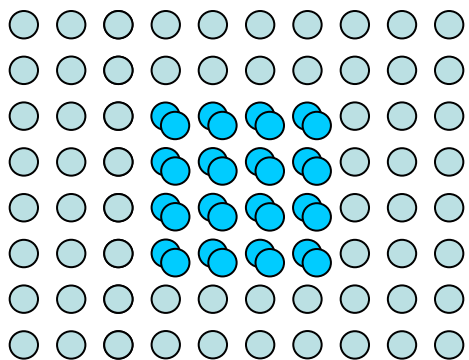
Magnetization is constant

Sign for intersite dipolar interaction
(much slower than on-site dynamics)



$$\frac{1}{2}(S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+})$$

Oscillations arise from interactions between doubled-occupied sites



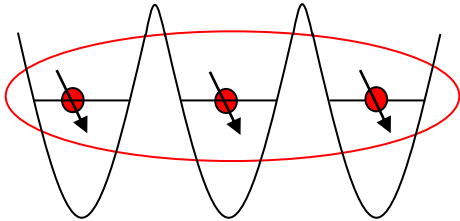
**Very slow spin dynamics for one particle per site:
Intersite dipole-dipole coupling**

PRELIMINARY

Our current understanding:

$$S_{1z}S_{2z} - \frac{1}{4}(S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+})$$

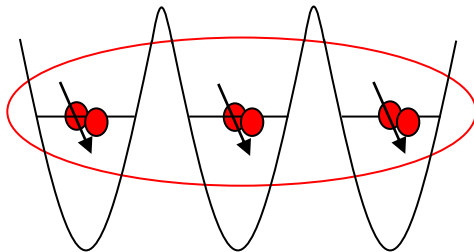
(Very) long time-scale dynamics due to inter-site dipolar exchange between singlons



1/e timescale = 25 ms

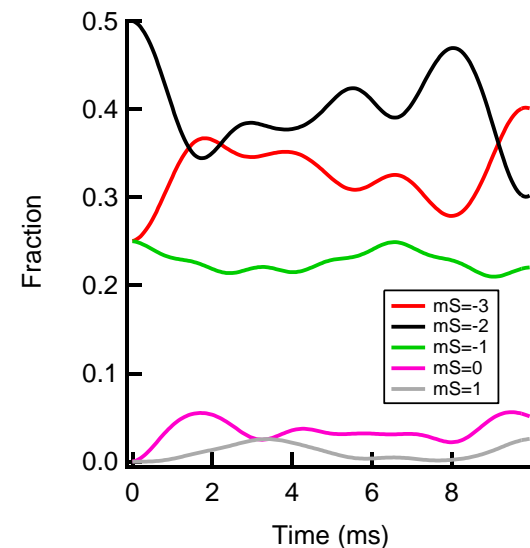
Theoretical estimate : 2 atoms, 2 sites : exchange timescale = 50 ms

Spin oscillations due to inter-site dipolar exchange between doublons



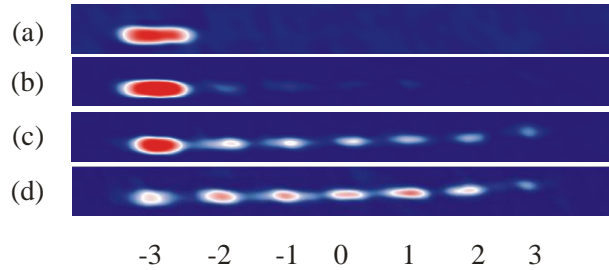
Timescale = 4 ms

Exact diagonalization 2 pairs, 2 sites
Faster coupling because larger effective spin

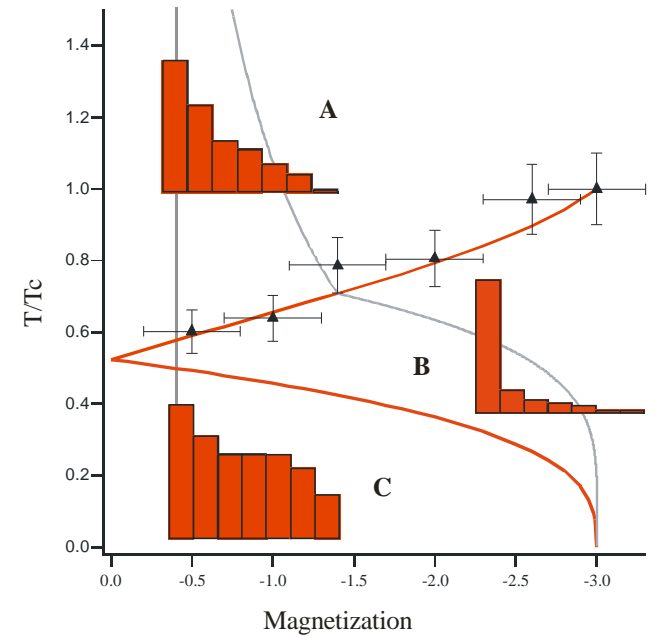


Conclusions

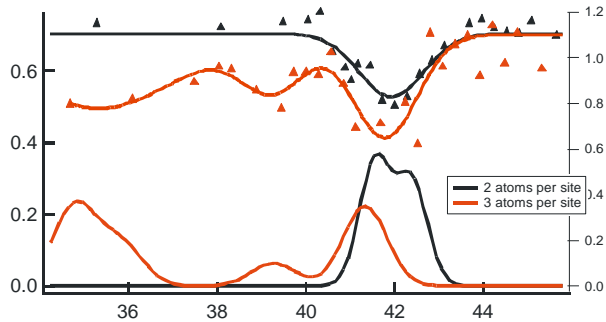
Bulk Magnetism:
spinor physics with free magnetization



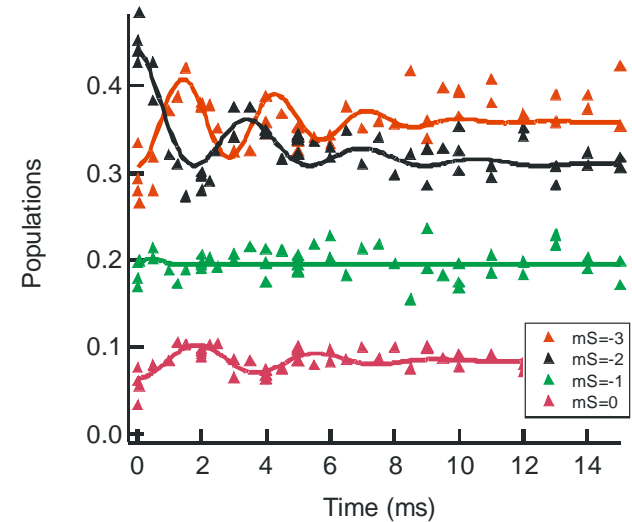
New spinor phases at extremely low magnetic fields



Lattice Magnetism:



Magnetization dynamics is resonant



Intersite dipolar spin-exchange



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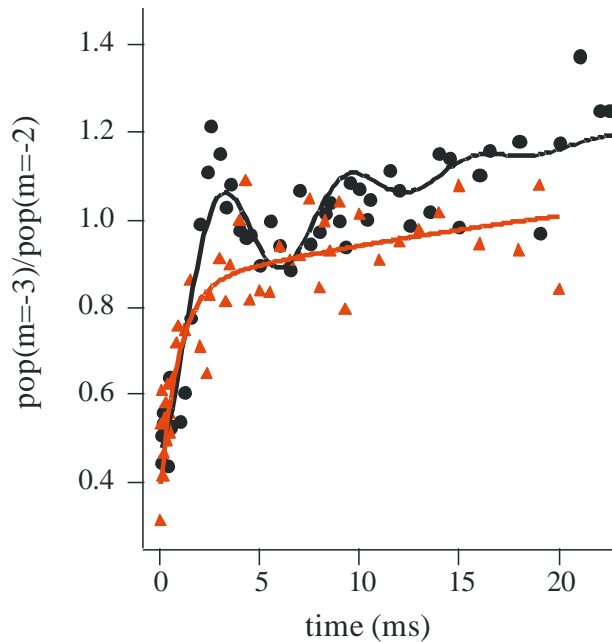
Magnetism in lattice

Resonant magnetization dynamics

Towards Einstein-de-Haas effect

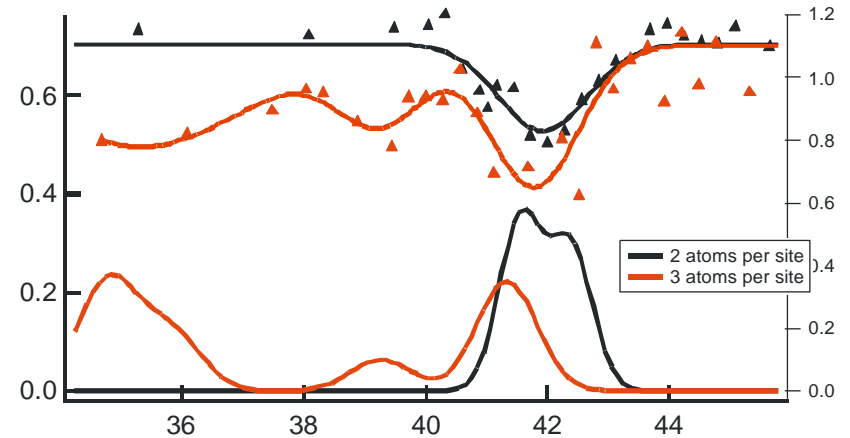
Anisotropy

Few body vs many-body physics



Spontaneous depolarization at low magnetic field

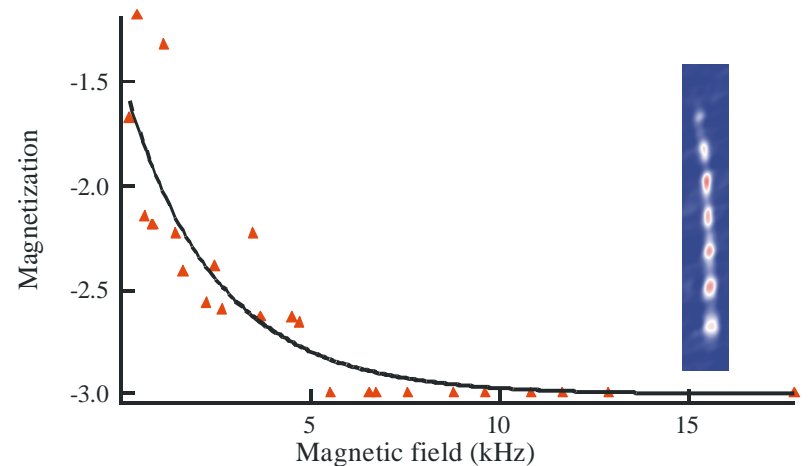
Towards low-field phase diagram



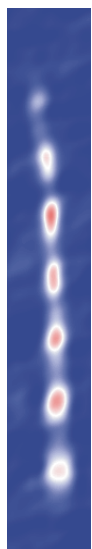
Away from resonances: spin oscillations

Spin-exchange

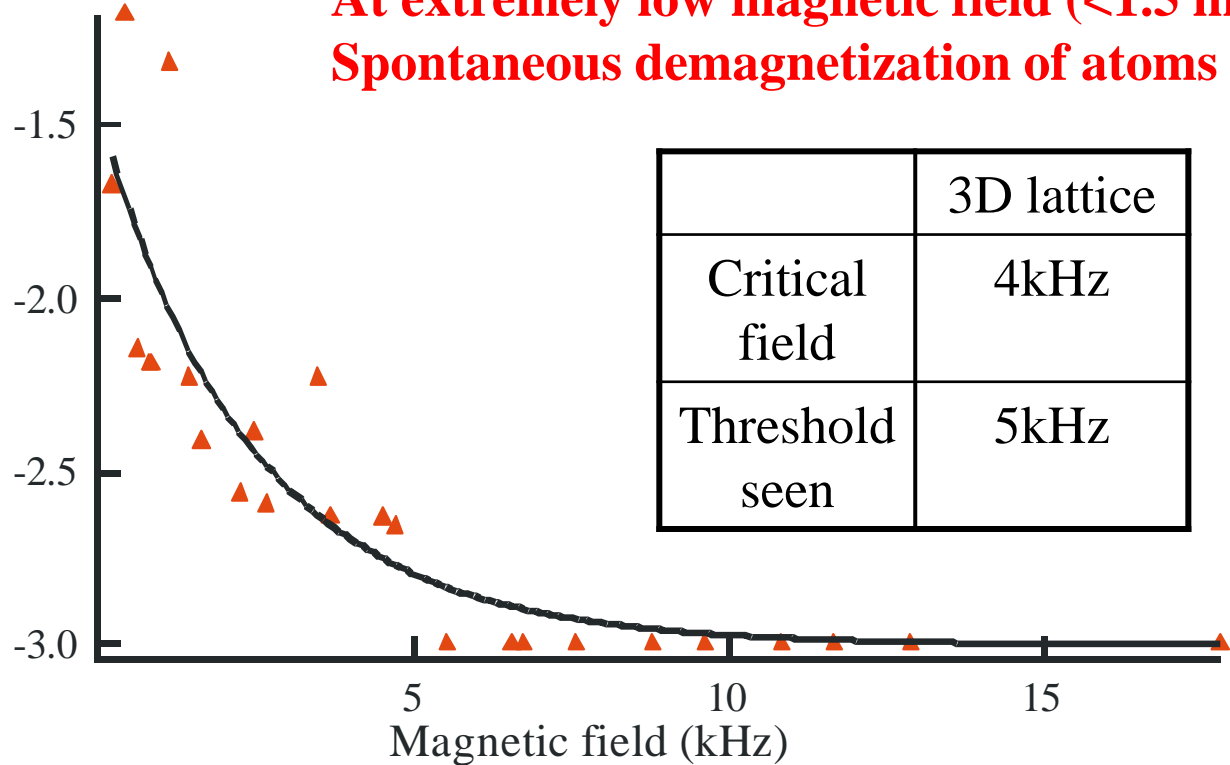
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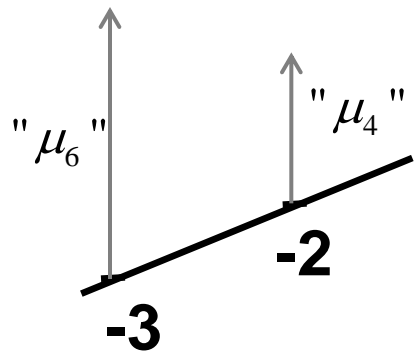
**At extremely low magnetic field (<1.5 mG):
Spontaneous demagnetization of atoms in a 3D lattice**



Magnetization

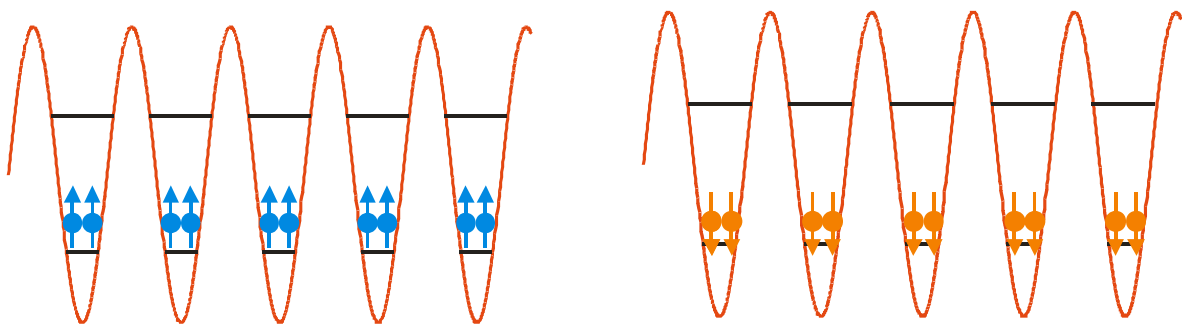


$$\frac{g_J \mu_B B_c \approx 4\pi \hbar^2 n_0 (a_6 - a_4)}{m}$$

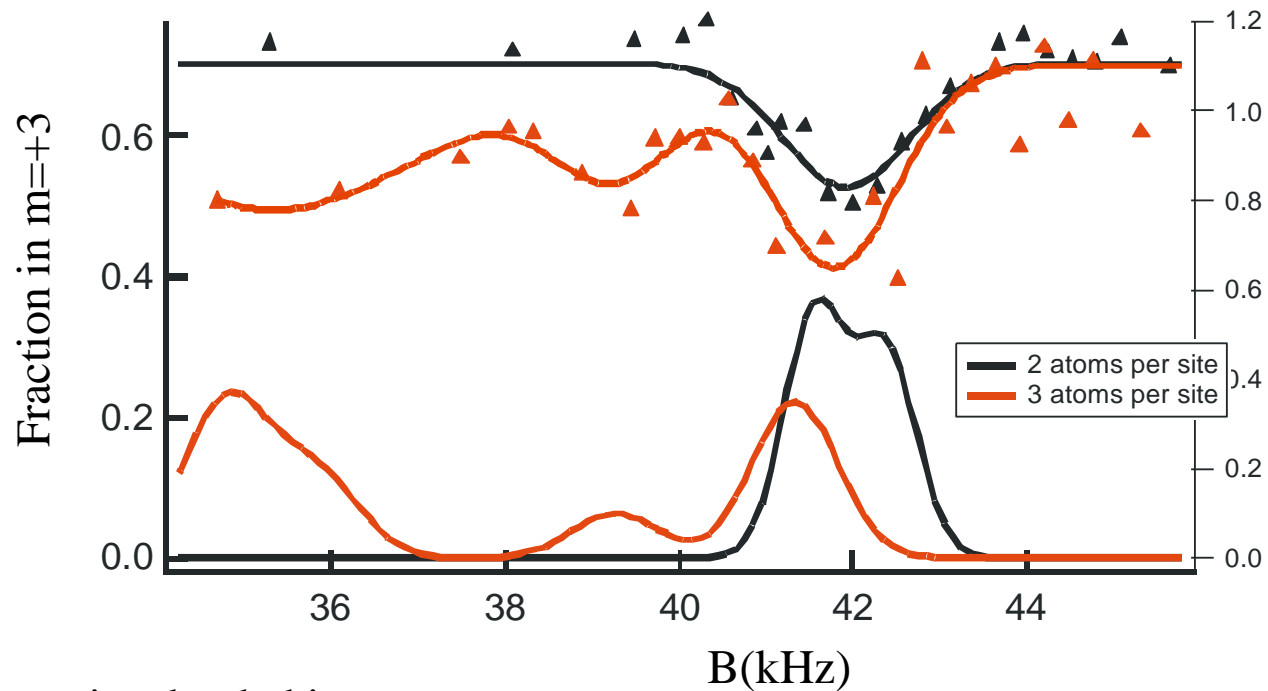


$|S = 6, m = -6\rangle$

$|S = 4, m = -4\rangle$



Note: Lineshape of dipolar resonances probes number of atoms per site



3 and more atoms per sites loaded in lattice for faster loading

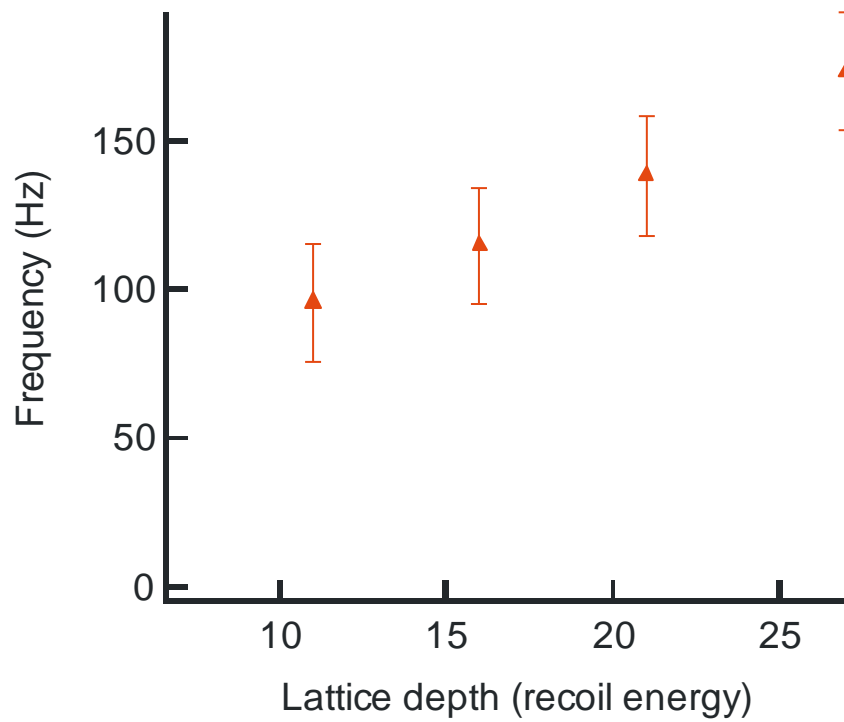
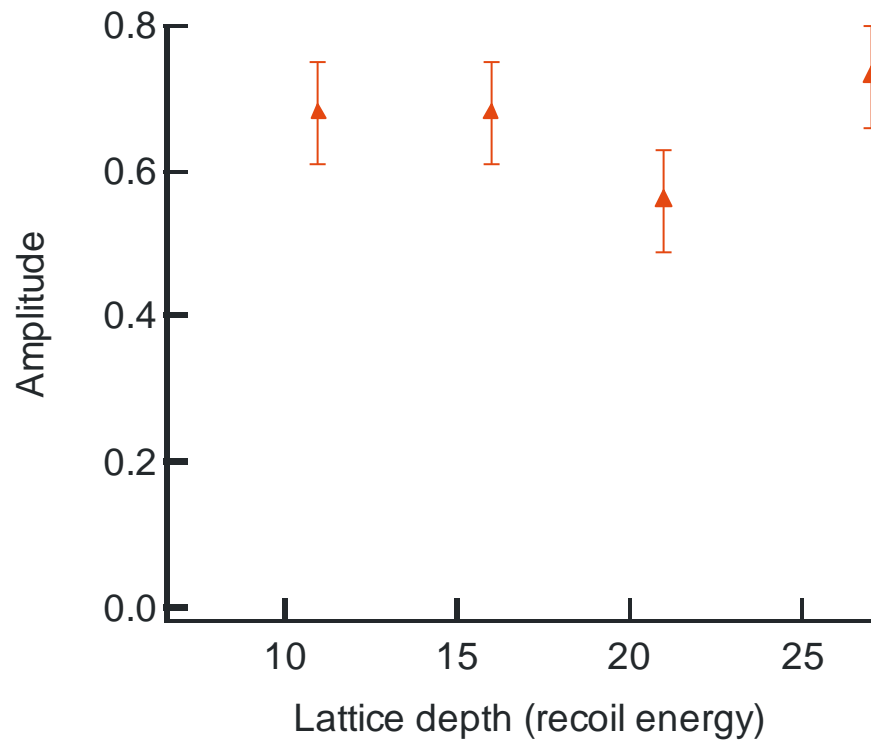
Probe of atom squeezing in Mott state

$$|3,3,3\rangle \otimes |0,0,0\rangle \rightarrow \sum |2,3,3\rangle \otimes |2,0,0\rangle$$

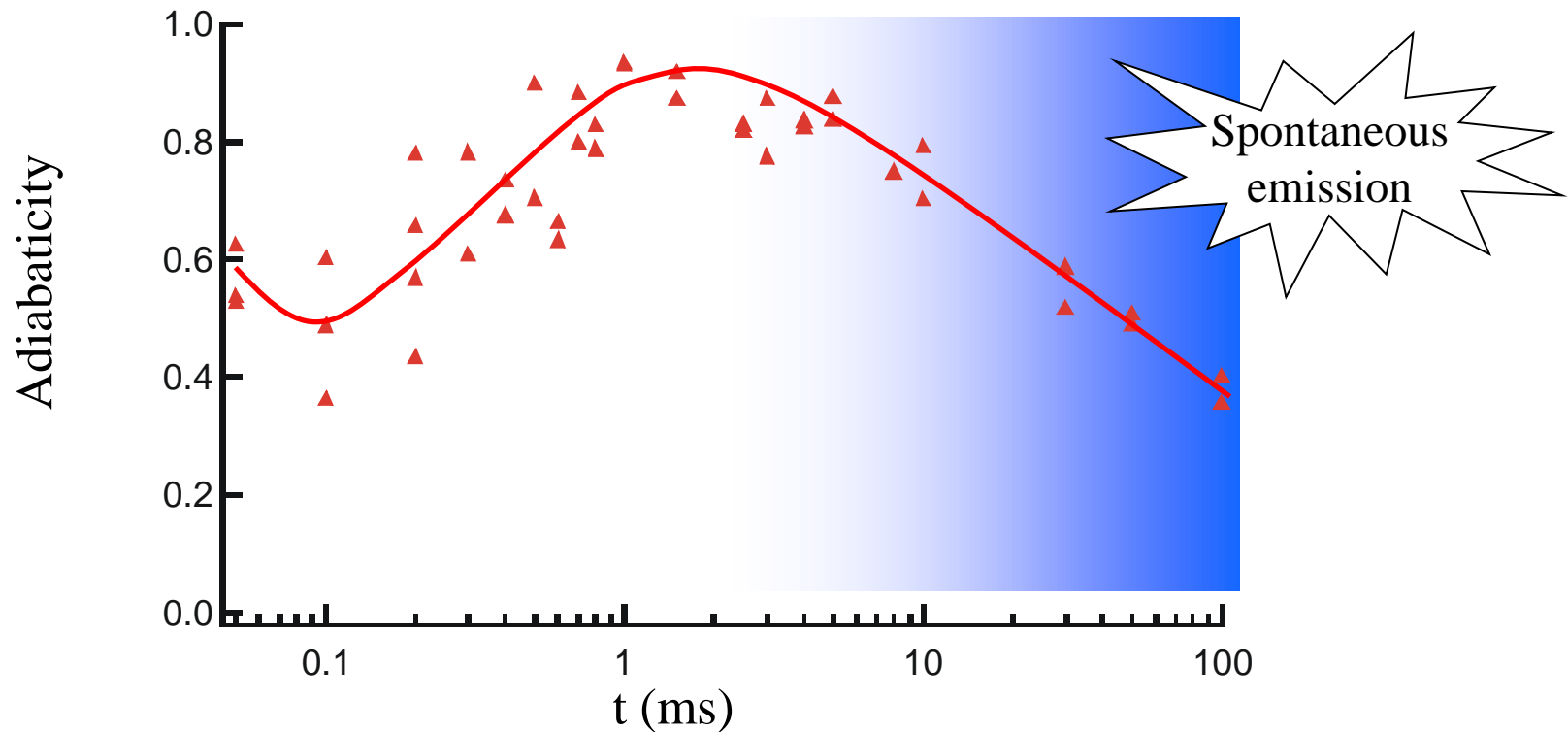
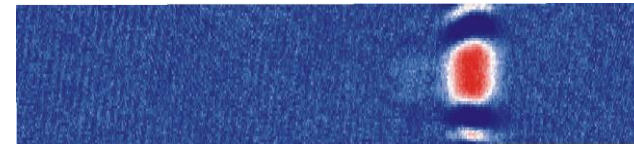
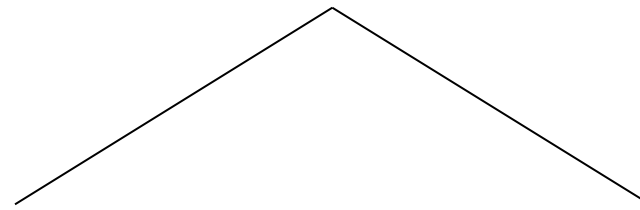
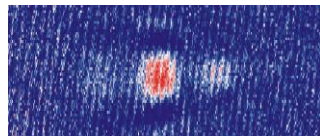
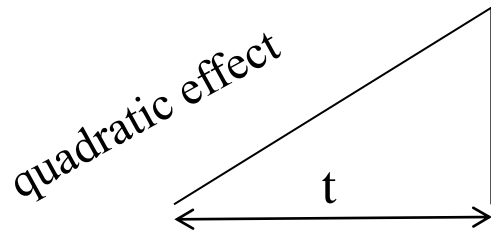
spin orbit

Few-body physics !

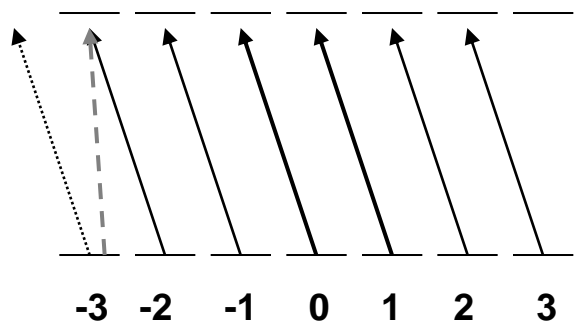
The 3-atom state which is reached has **entangled** spin and orbital degrees of freedom



Adiabatic (reversible) change in magnetic state (unrelated to dipolar interactions)



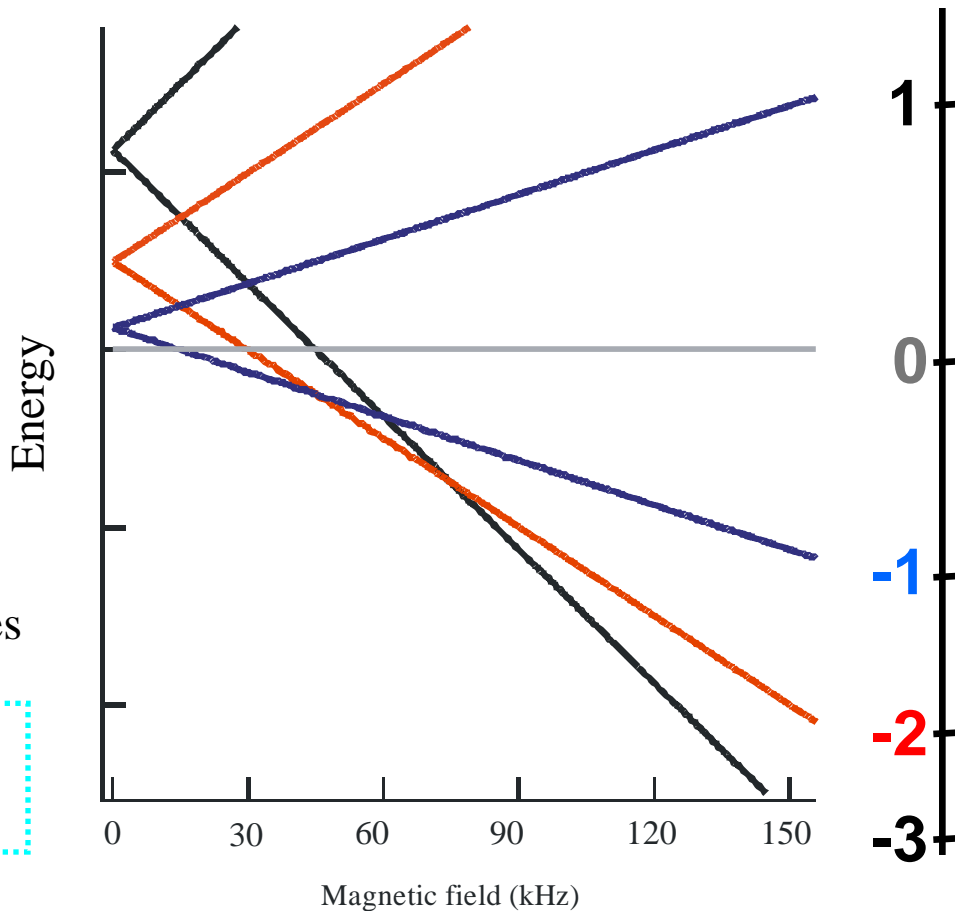
A tool to study spin dynamics in the lattice : a light-induced effective Quadratic Zeeman effect



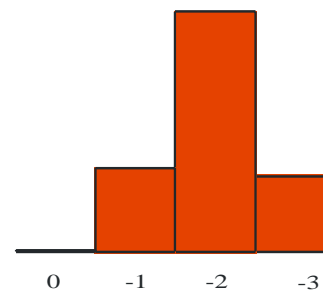
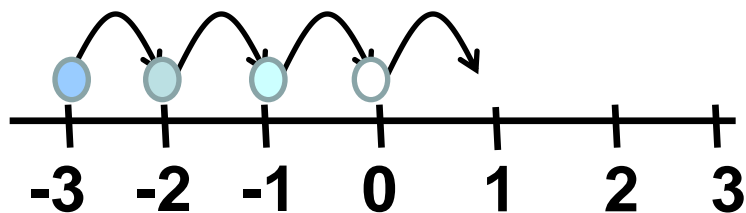
A σ - polarized laser
Close to a $J \rightarrow J$ transition
(100 mW 427.8 nm)

In practice, a π component couples m_s states

Note : The effective Zeeman effect is crucial for good state preparation

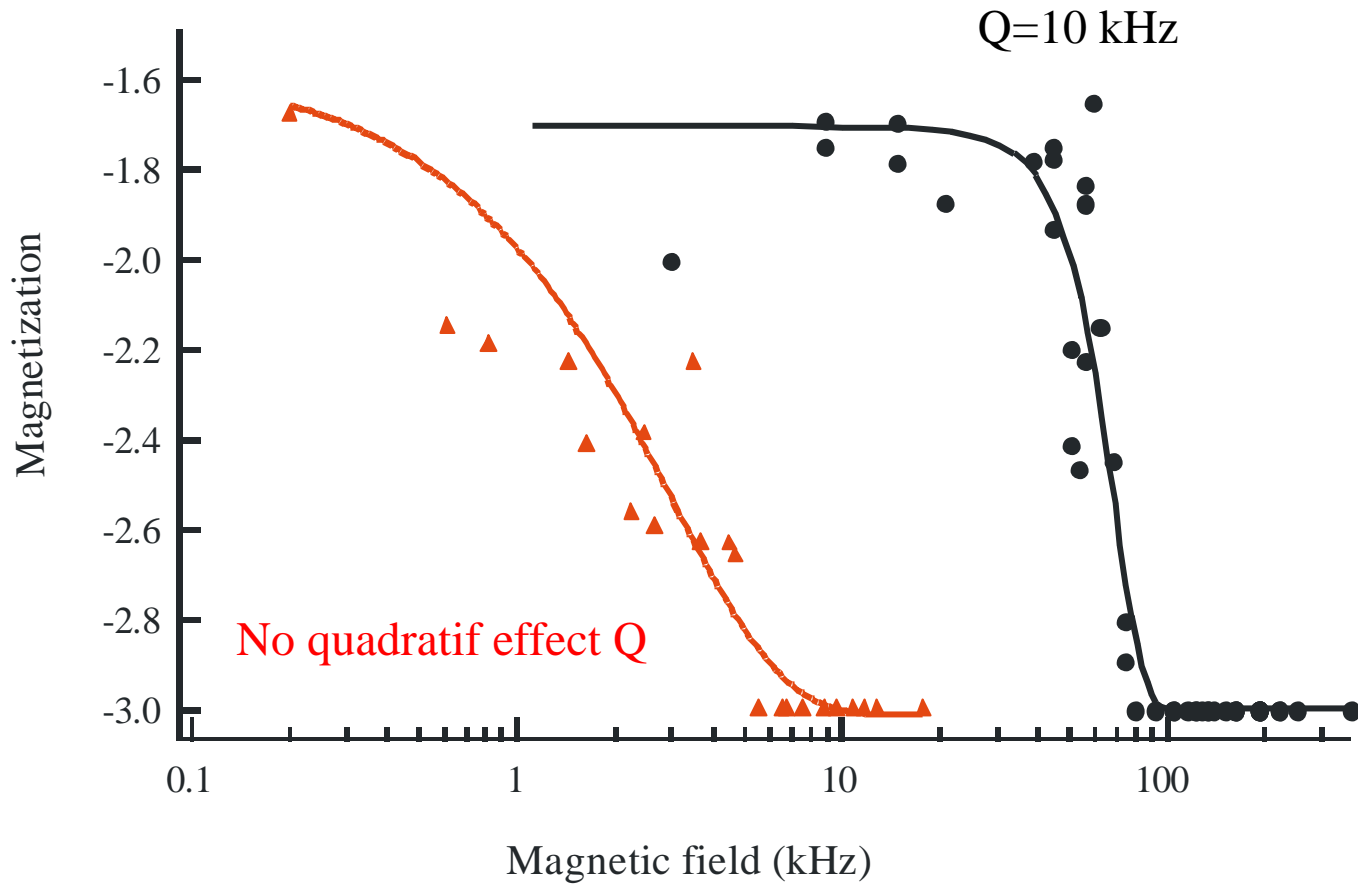


No two level system for a pure Zeeman effect:

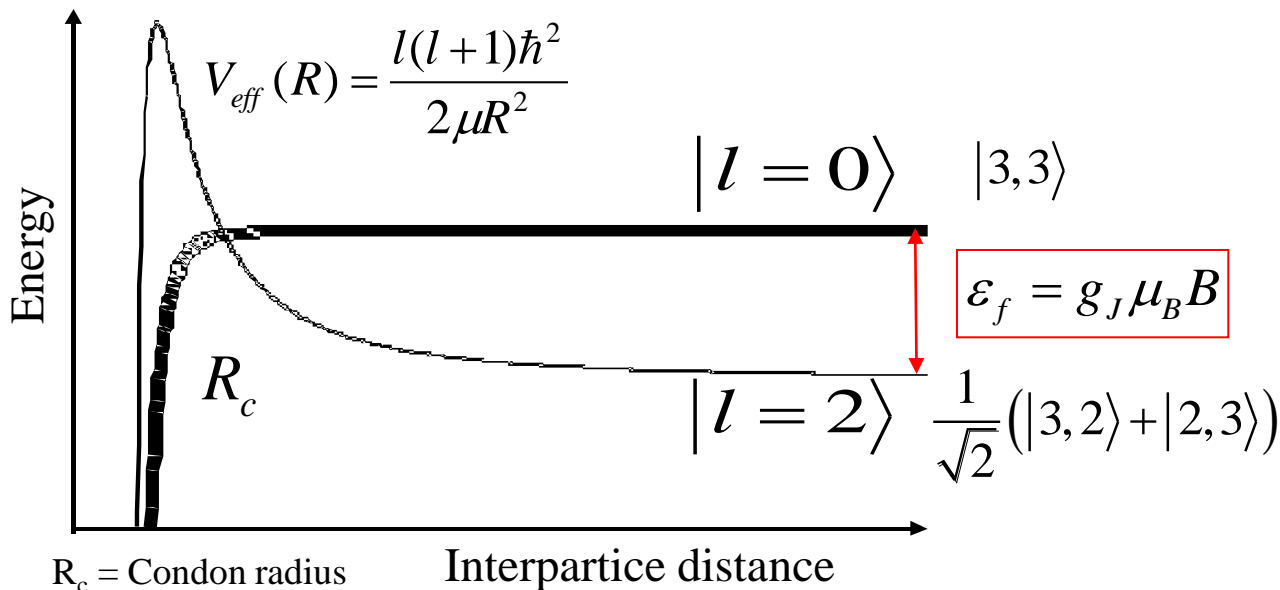


Typical eigenstate
at 50 kHz

A transition at much higher magnetic field...



From the molecular physics point of view



$$R_c \approx \sqrt{\frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{mg_S \mu_B B}}$$

$$\Gamma \propto |\Psi_{in}(R_c)|^2$$

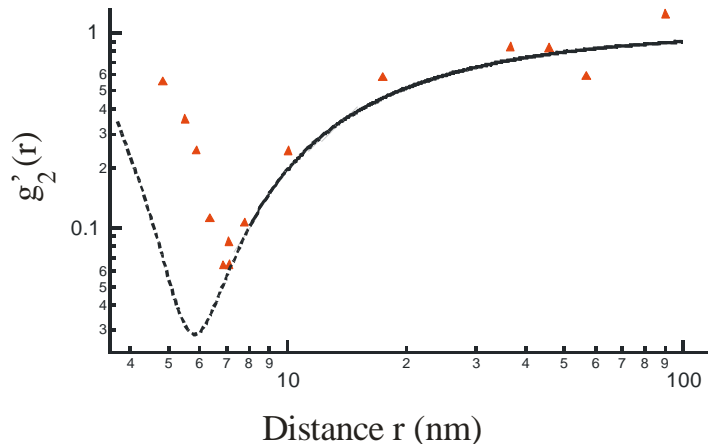
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Larger and larger magnetic fields probes smaller and smaller interatomic distances

$$B = 3 \text{ G}$$

$$R_c = R_{vdW}$$

2-body physics

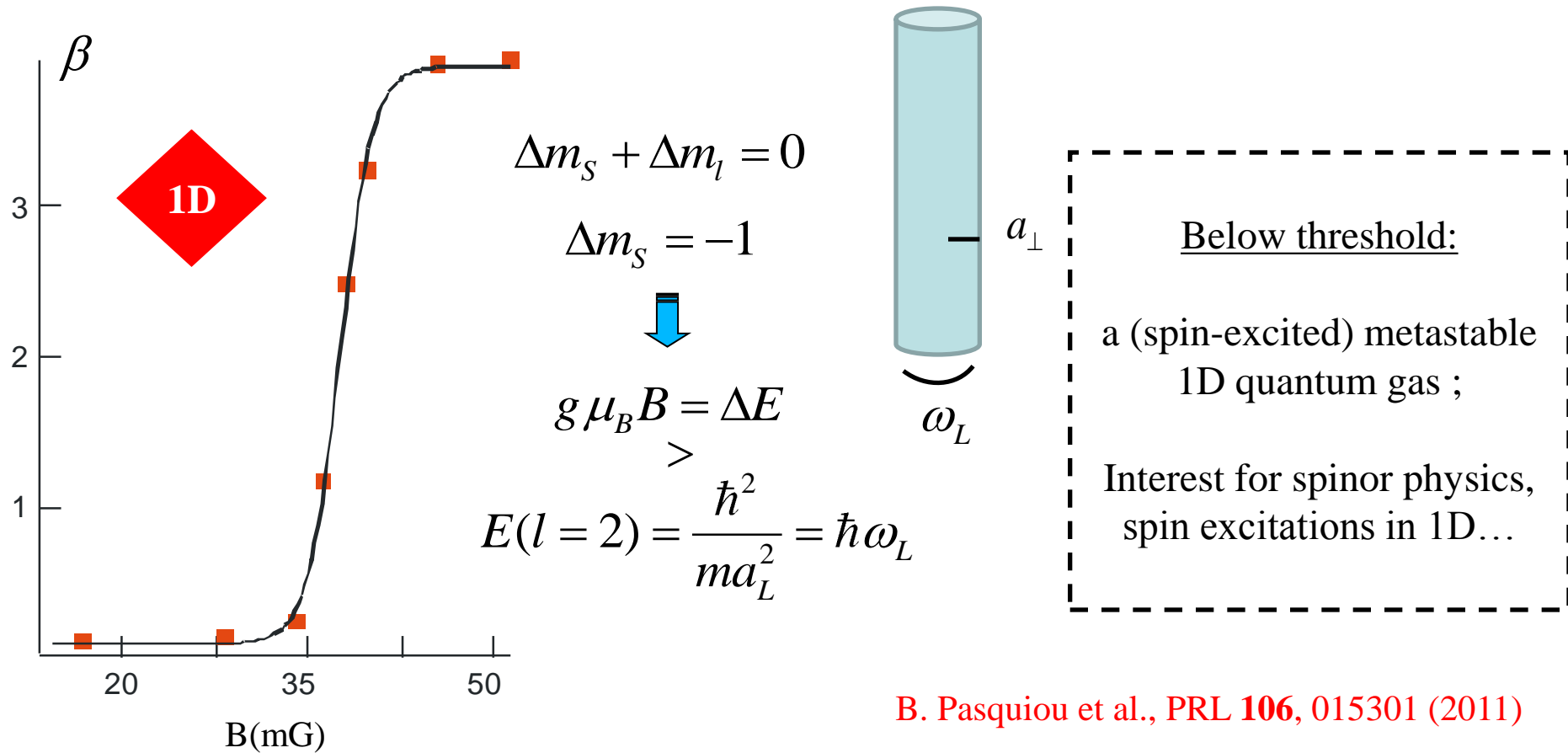


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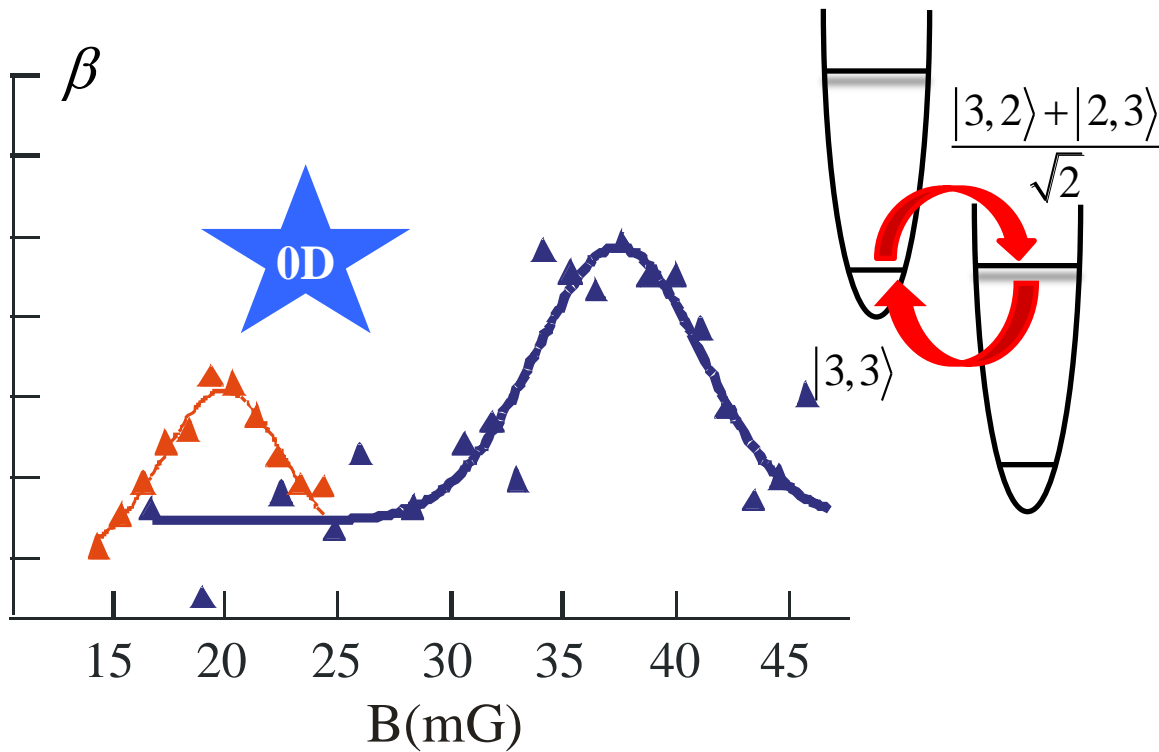
$$R_c = n^{-1/3}$$

many-body physics

(almost) **complete suppression of dipolar relaxation in 1D at low field:**
 a threshold consequence of angular momentum conservation



0D: a resonance due to energy conservation



Collab. Group of Mariusz Gajda

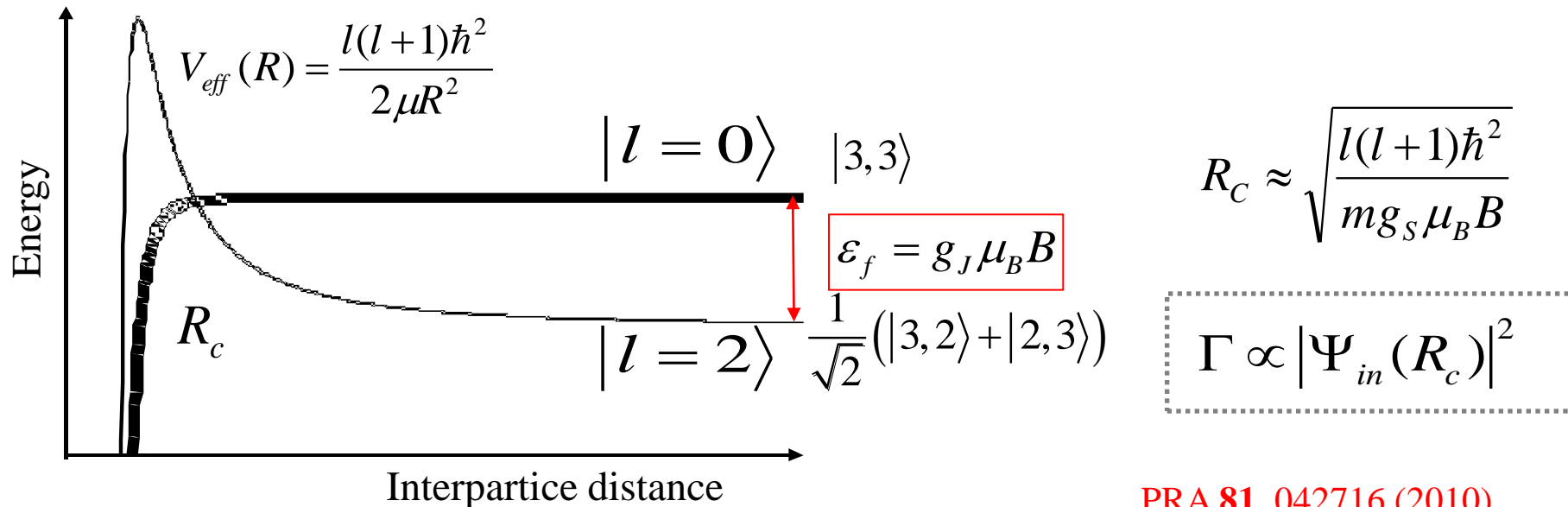
At resonance

should produce vortices in each
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(problem of tunneling)

Towards coherent excitation of
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(Rabi oscillations)

Mott state locally coupled to
excited band

From the molecular physics point of view



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R_c = Condon radius

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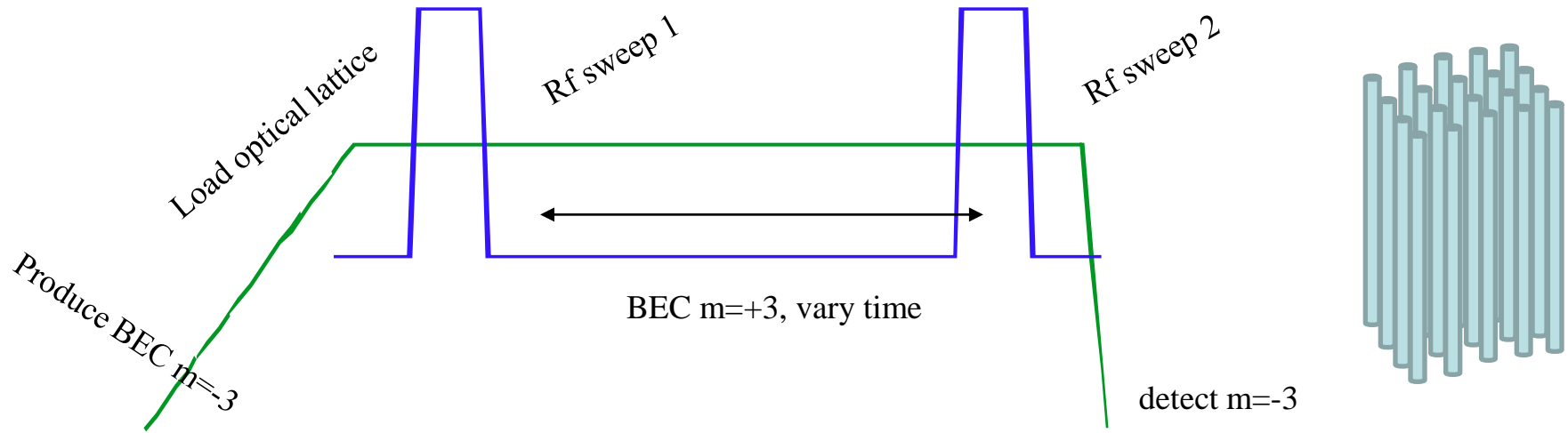
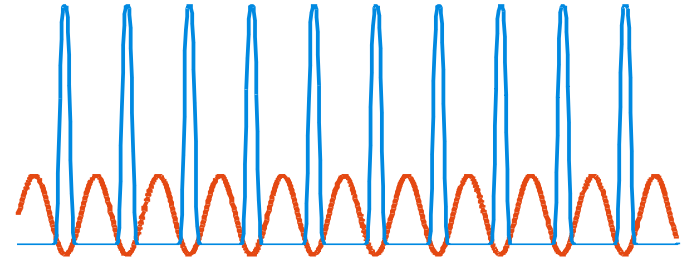
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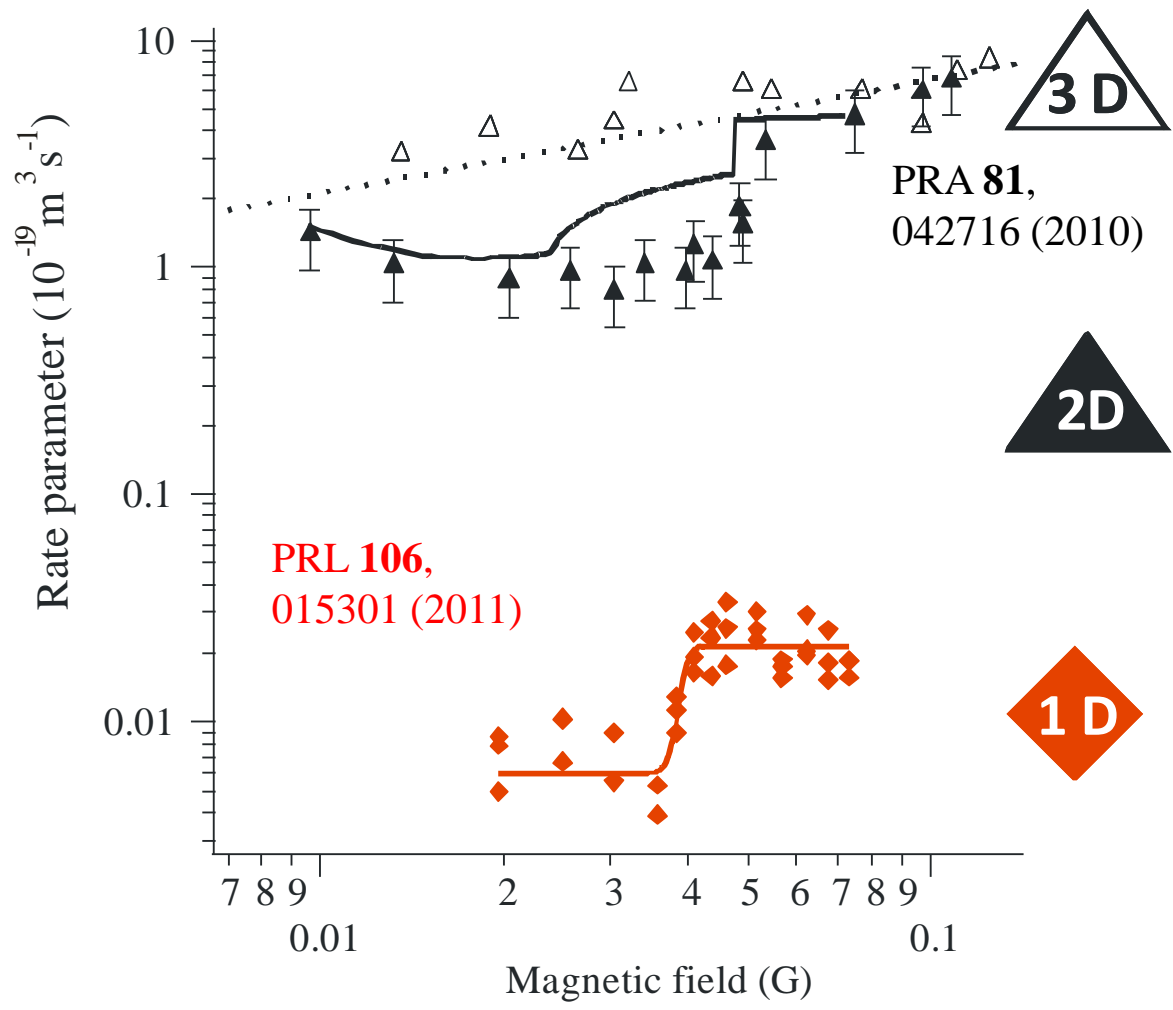
Reduction of dipolar relaxation in optical lattices

Load the BEC in a 1D, 2D or 3D Lattice

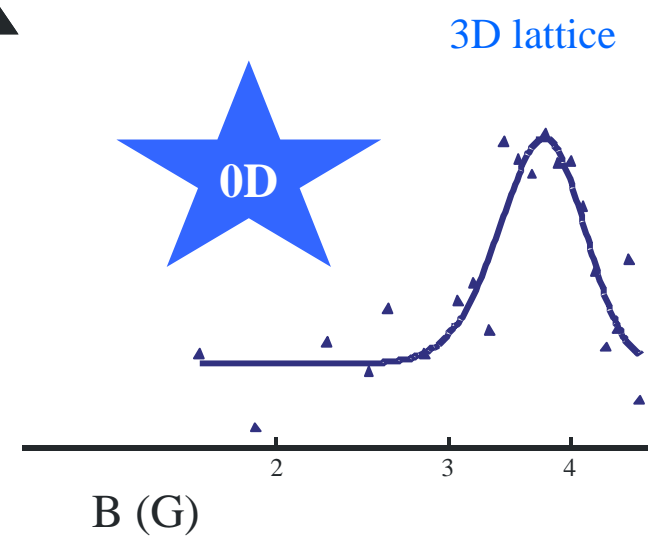


$$\hbar\Gamma \approx |V_{dd}|^2 \rho(\epsilon_f)$$

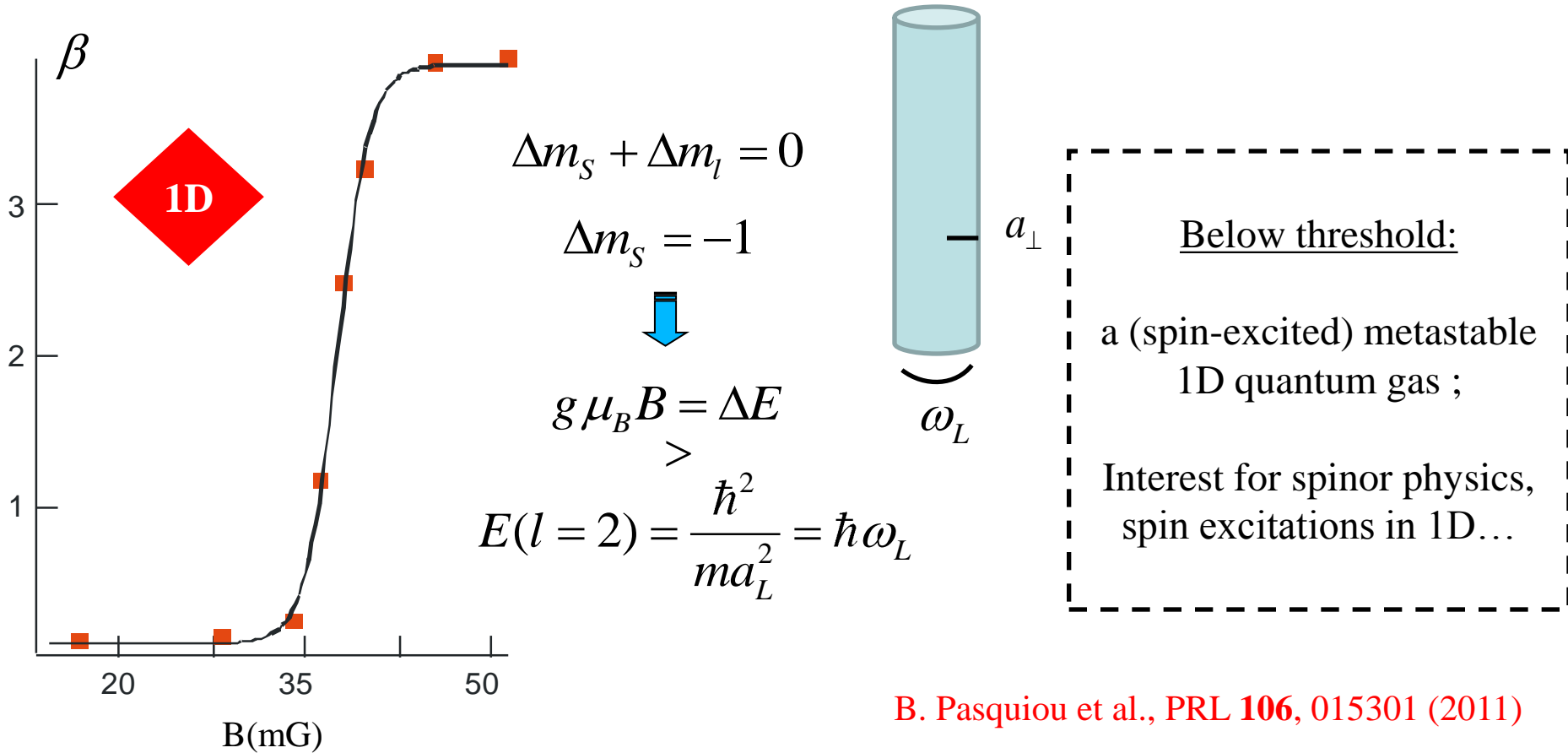
One expects a reduction of dipolar relaxation, as a result of the reduction of the density of states in the lattice



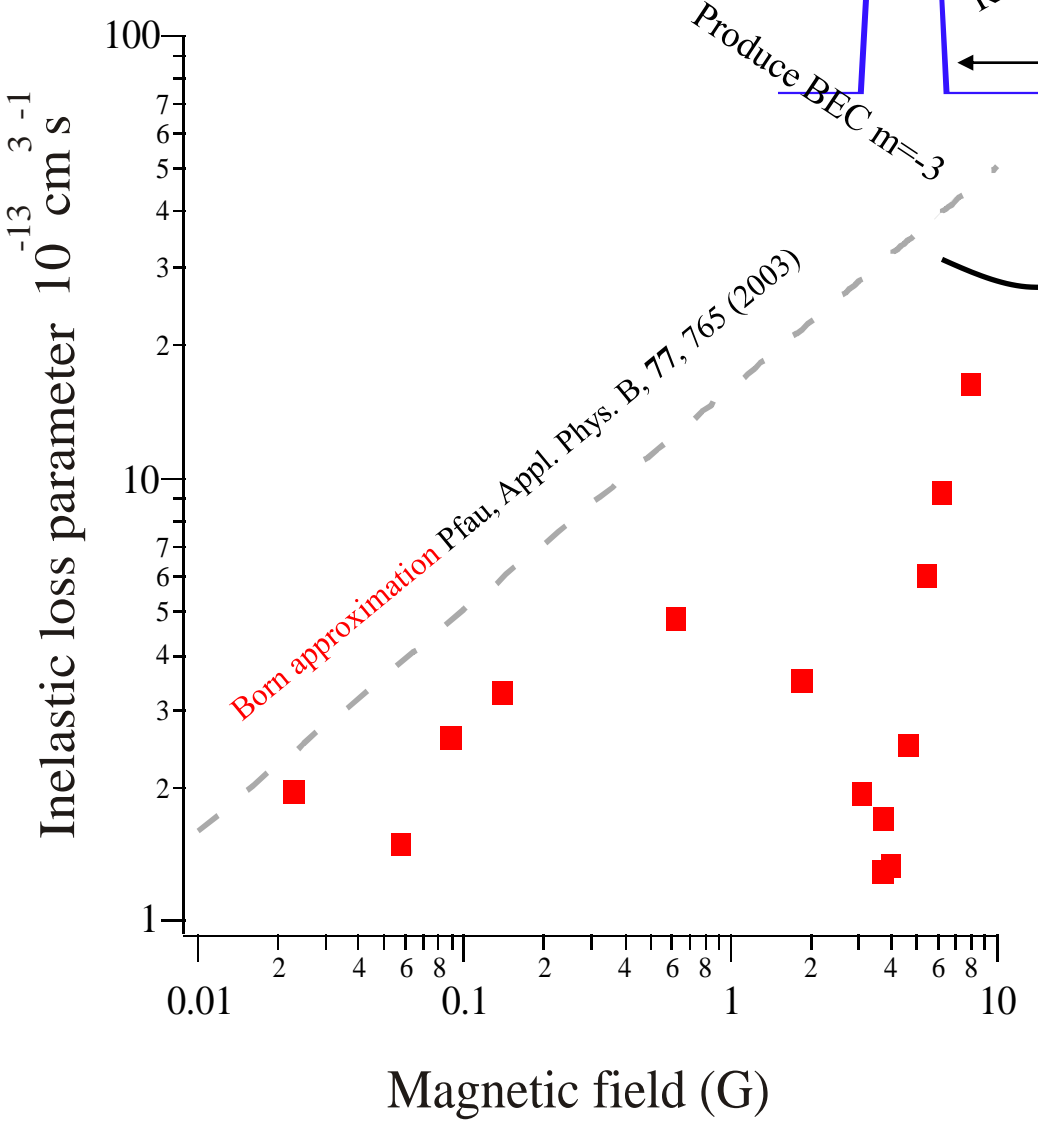
Dipolar relaxation in optical lattices



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Dipolar relaxation in a Cr BEC



Fermi golden rule

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A measurement of scattering length

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See also Shlyapnikov PRL 73, 3247 (1994)

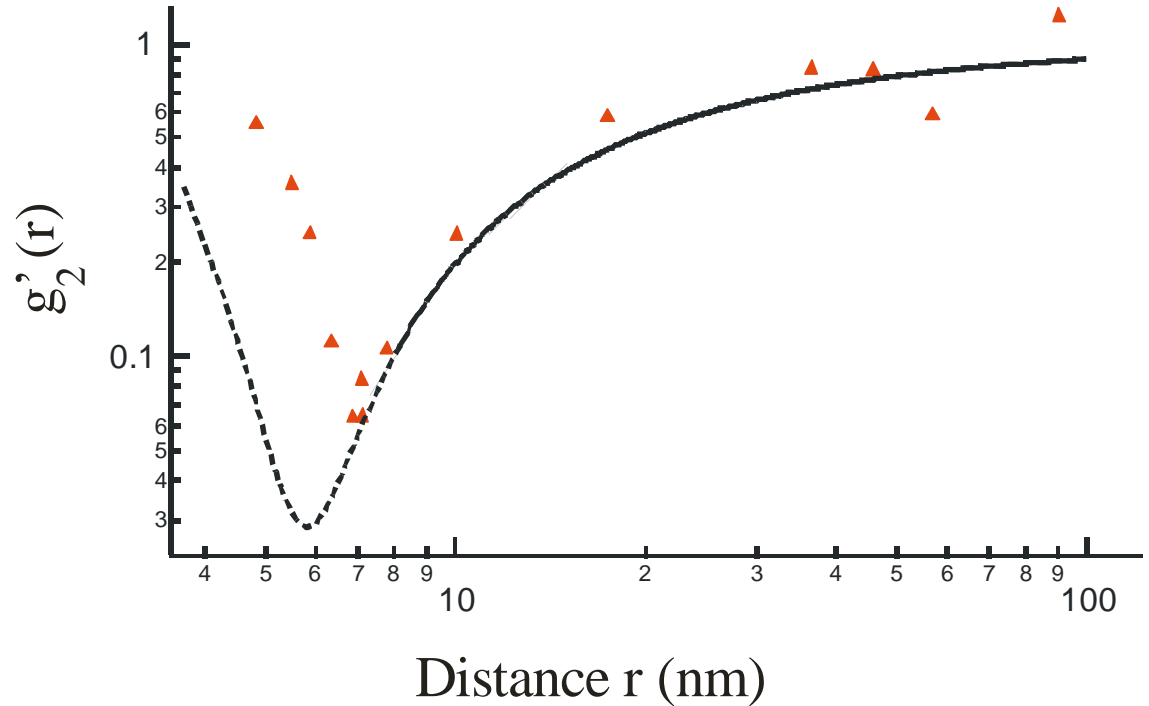
Dipolar relaxation: measuring non-local correlations

Measure dipolar relaxation
at magnetic field B

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Measure the second order
correlation function at:

$$R_C \approx \sqrt{\frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{mg_S\mu_B B}}$$



$$g_2(r) \approx \left(1 - a/r\right)^2 \quad r \gg R_{vdW} \quad \text{L. H. Y. Phys. Rev. } \mathbf{106}, 1135 (1957)$$

A probe of non-local correlations :

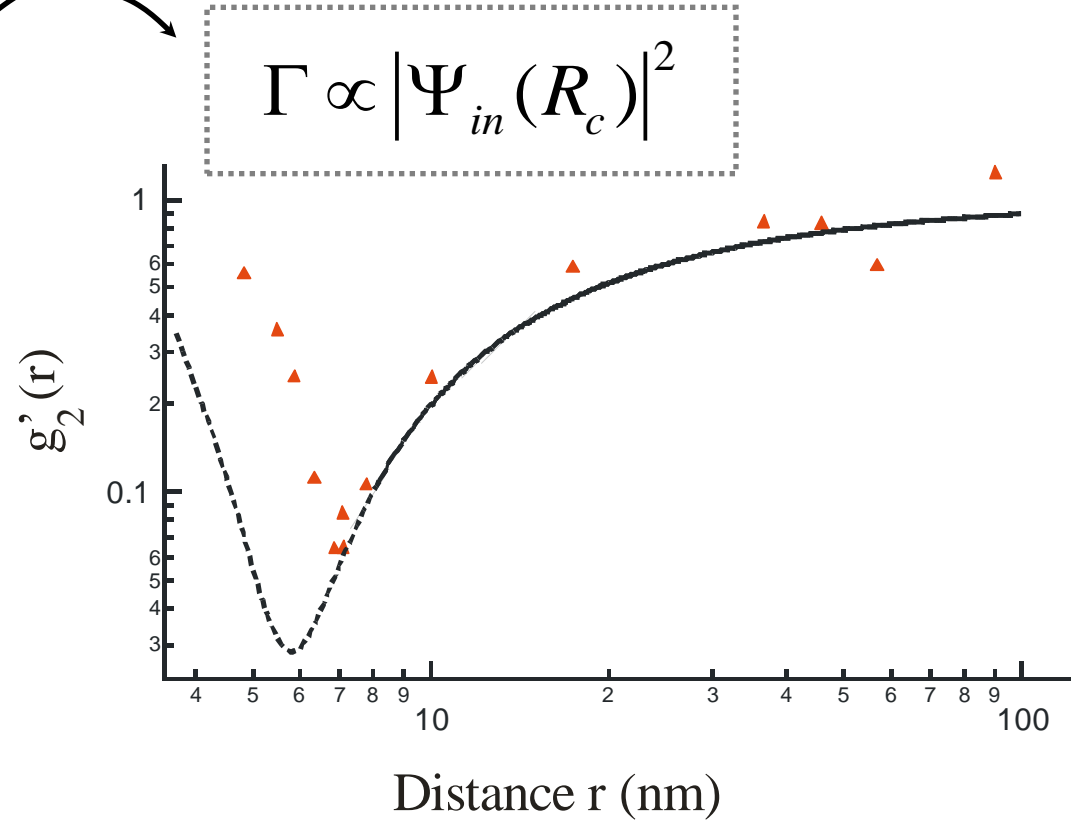
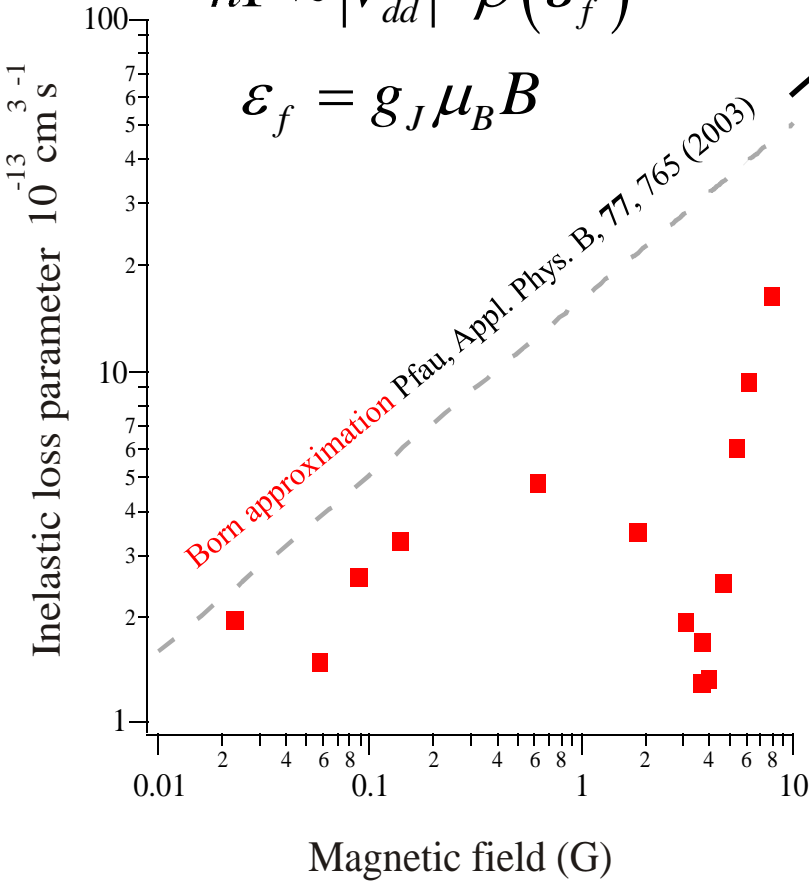
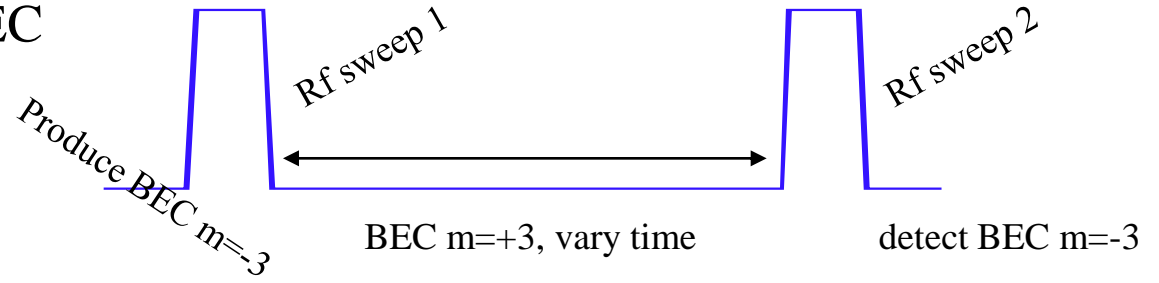
**here, a mere two-body effect, yet unaccounted for in a
mean-field « product-ansatz » BEC model**

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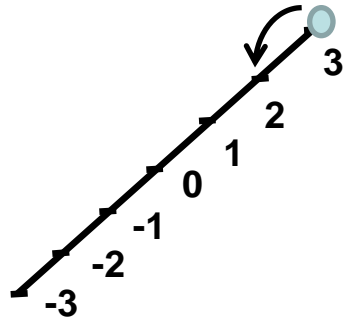
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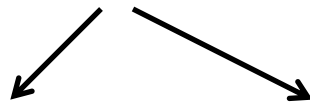
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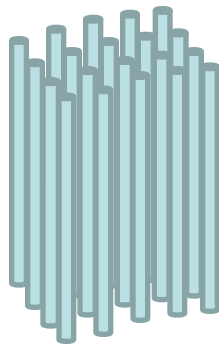


Energy released

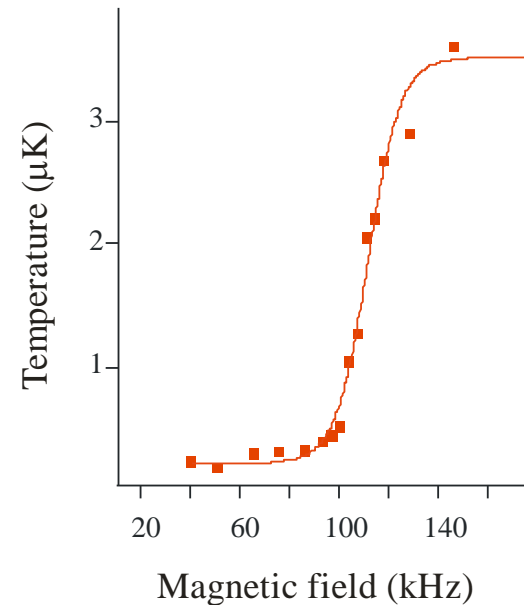
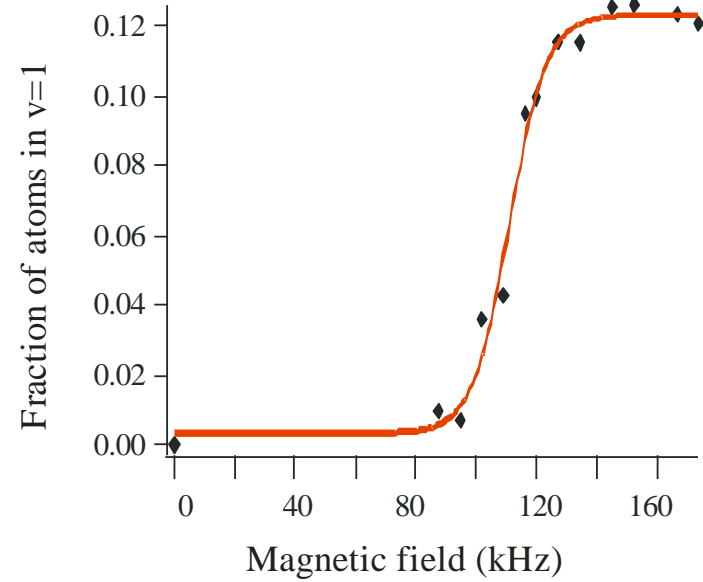
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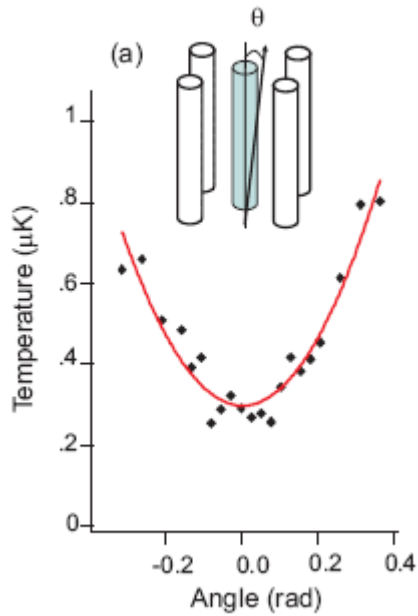
Band excitation



Kinetic energy
along tubes



(almost) **complete suppression of dipolar relaxation in 1D at low field in 2D lattices:**
 a consequence of angular momentum conservation

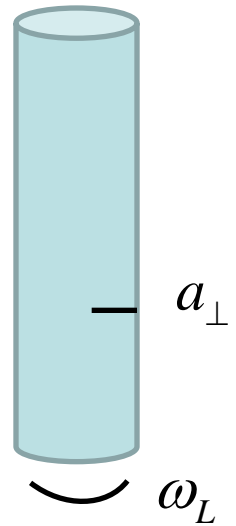


$$\Delta m_S + \Delta m_l = 0$$

$$\Delta m_S = -1$$



$$g \mu_B B = \Delta E > E(l=2) = \frac{\hbar^2}{ma_L^2} = \hbar \omega_L$$



Below threshold:

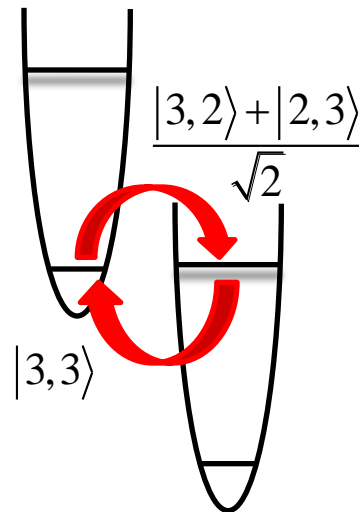
a (spin-excited) metastable 1D quantum gas ;

Interest for spinor physics, spin excitations in 1D...

Above threshold :

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Towards coherent excitation of pairs into higher lattice orbitals ? (Rabi oscillations)



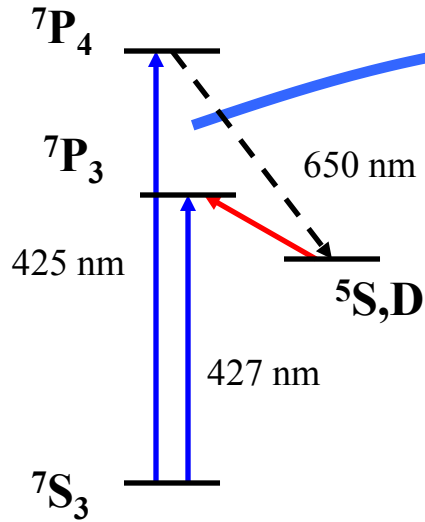
How to make a Chromium BEC

▪ An atom: ^{52}Cr

▪ An oven

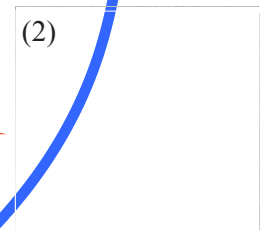
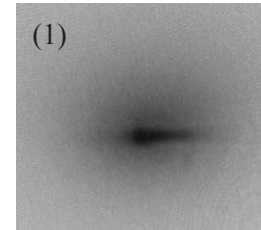
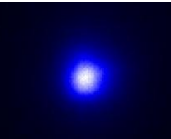
▪ A Zeeman slower

▪ A small MOT



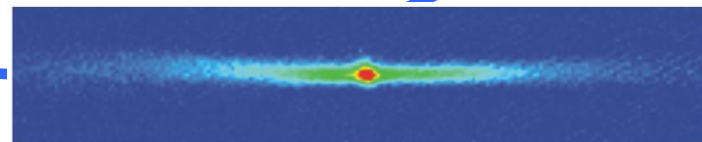
Oven at 1425 °C

$N = 4 \cdot 10^6$
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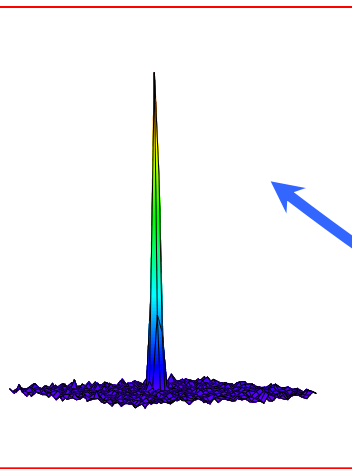


▪ All optical evaporation

▪ A dipole trap

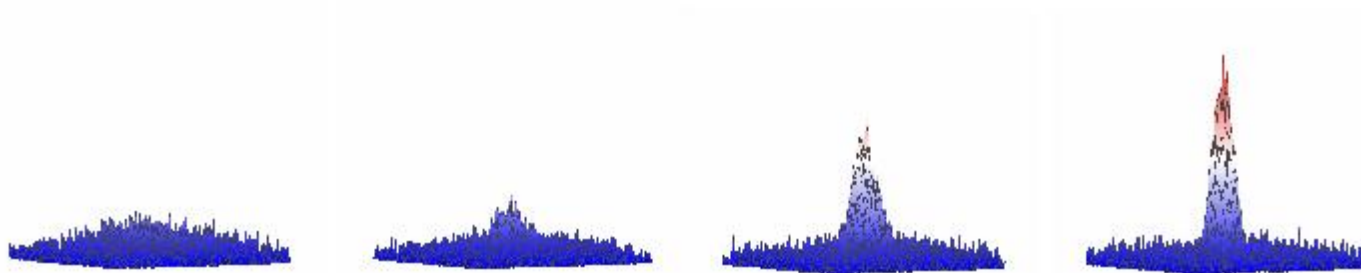
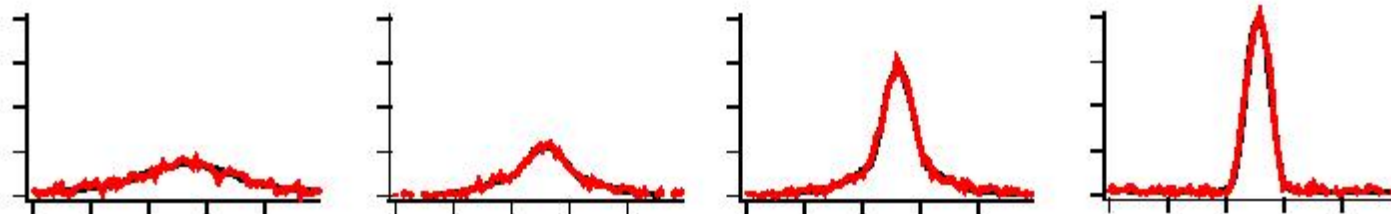
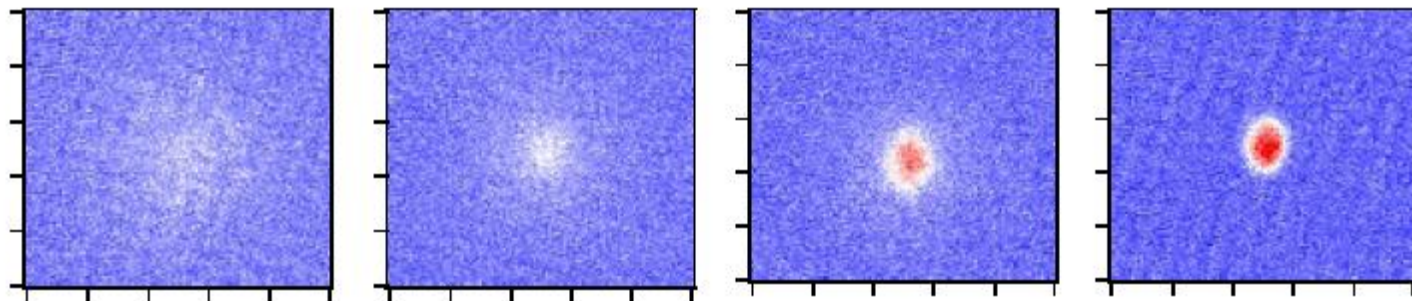


▪ A crossed dipole trap

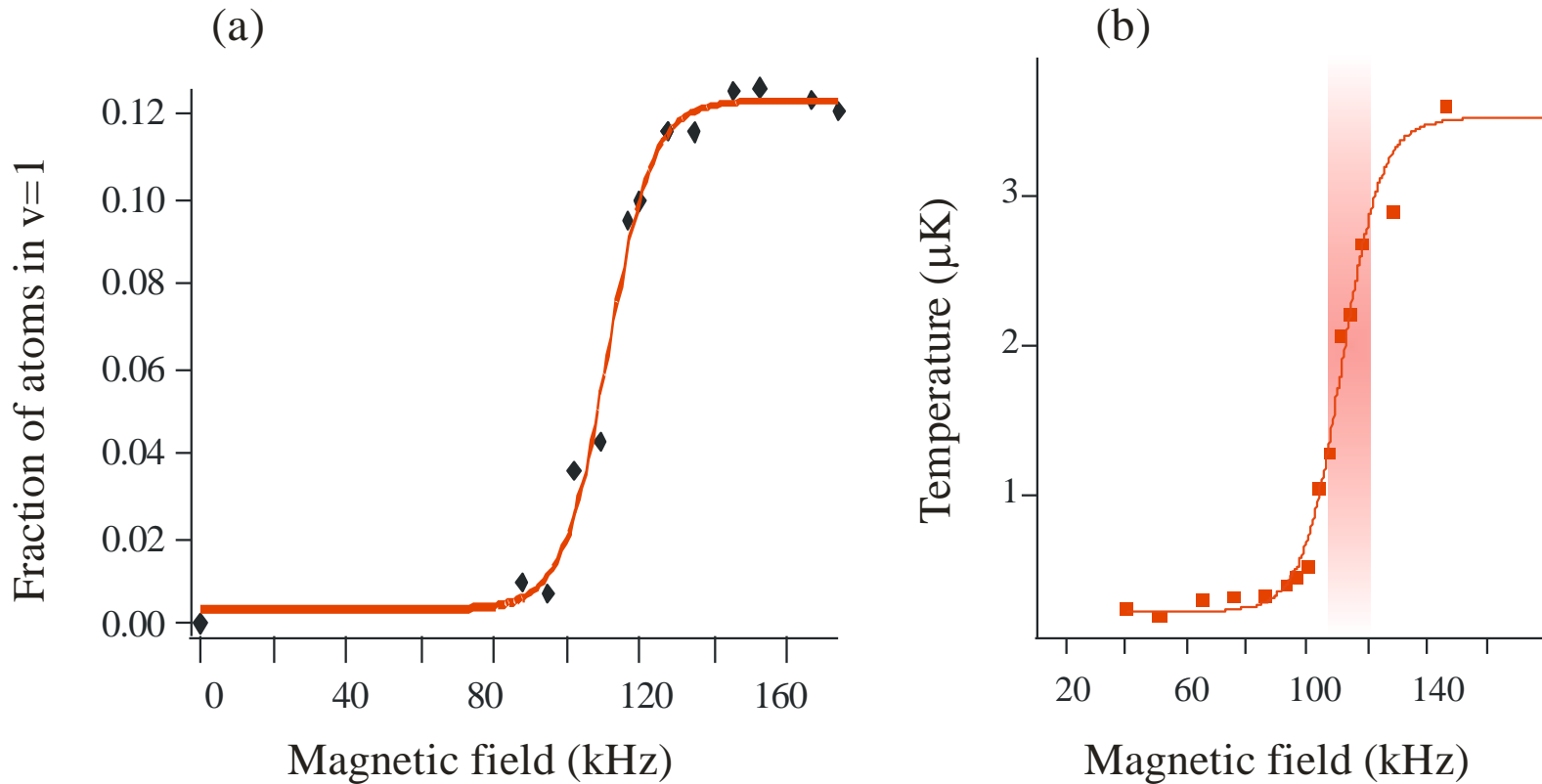


▪ A BEC

BEC with Cr atoms in an optical trap



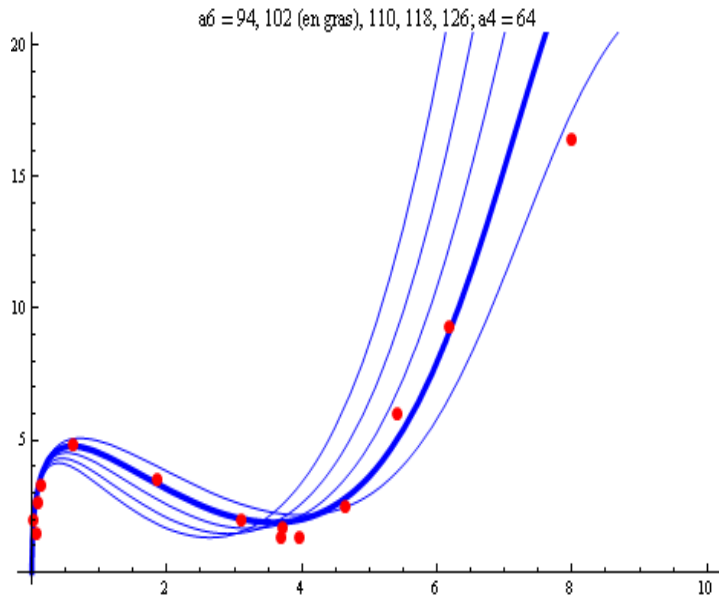
Threshold for dipolar relaxation in 1D:



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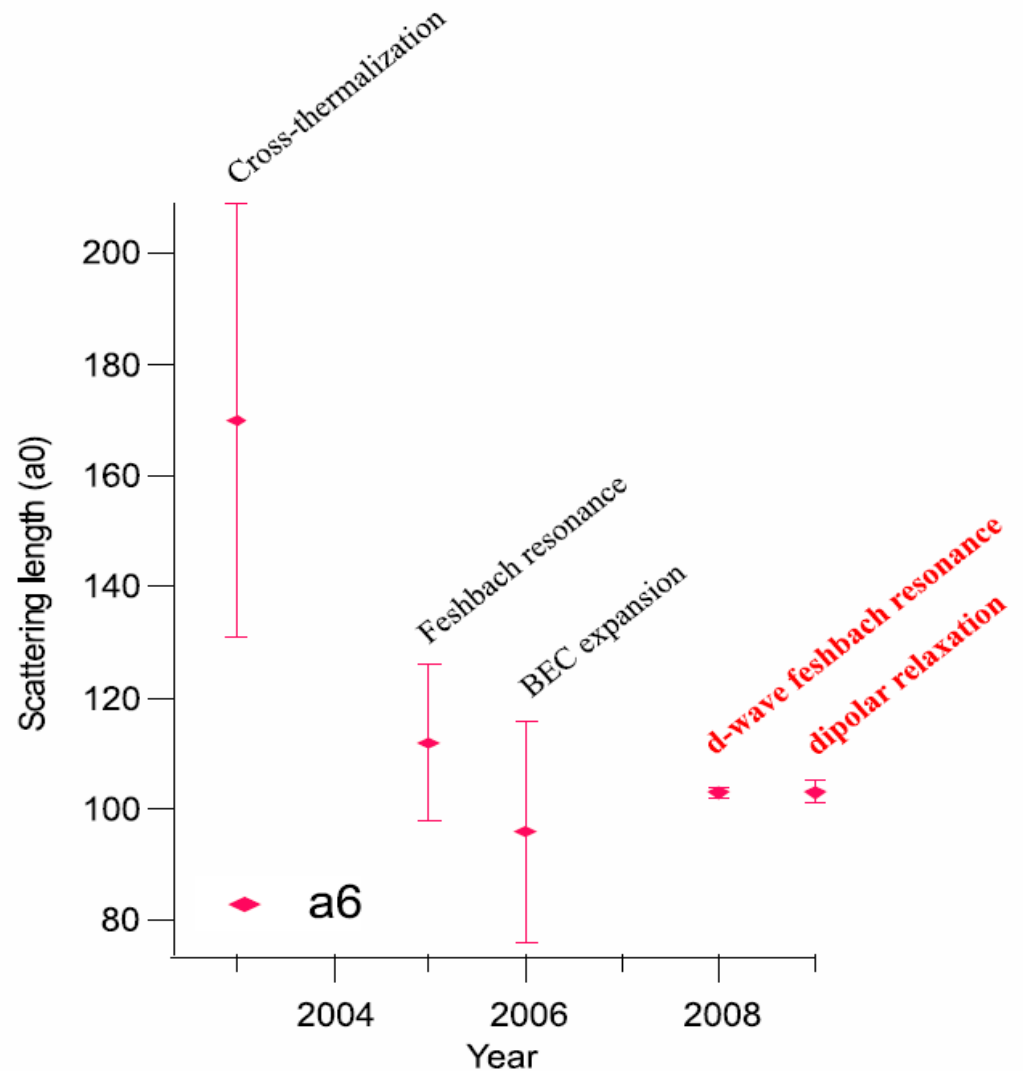
New estimates of Cr scattering lengths

Collaboration Anne Crubellier



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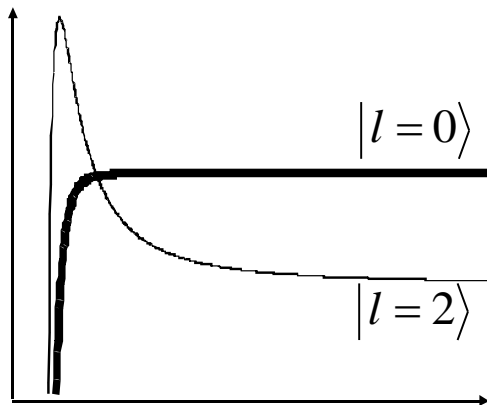


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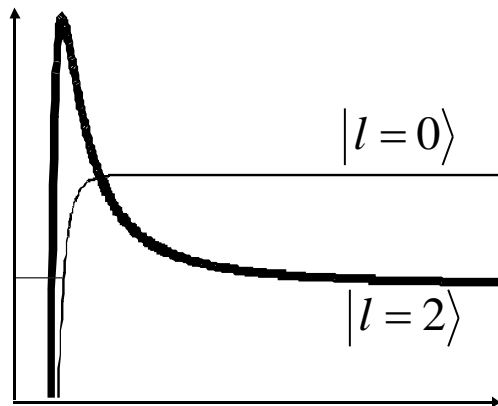
Feshbach resonance in d-wave PRA 79, 032706 (2009)

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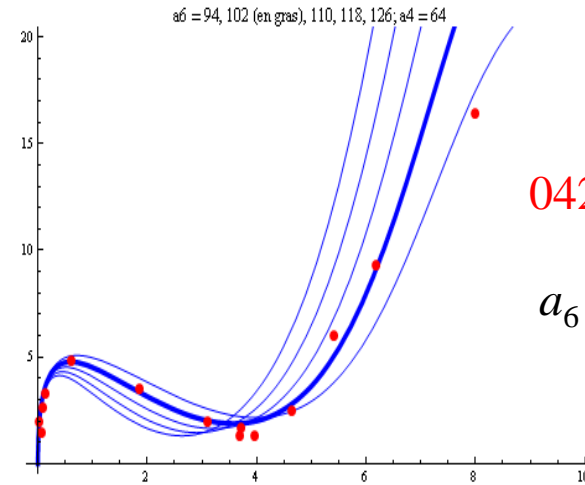
(a) Dipolar relaxation



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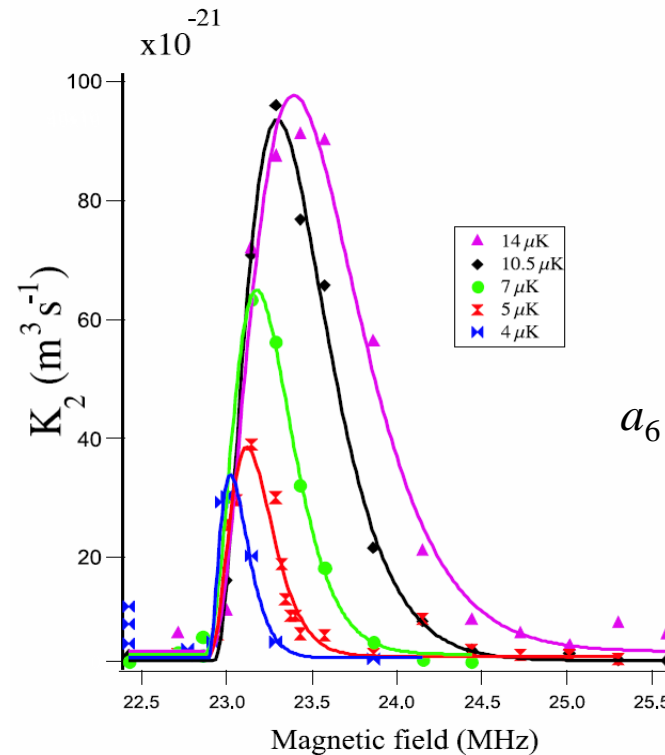


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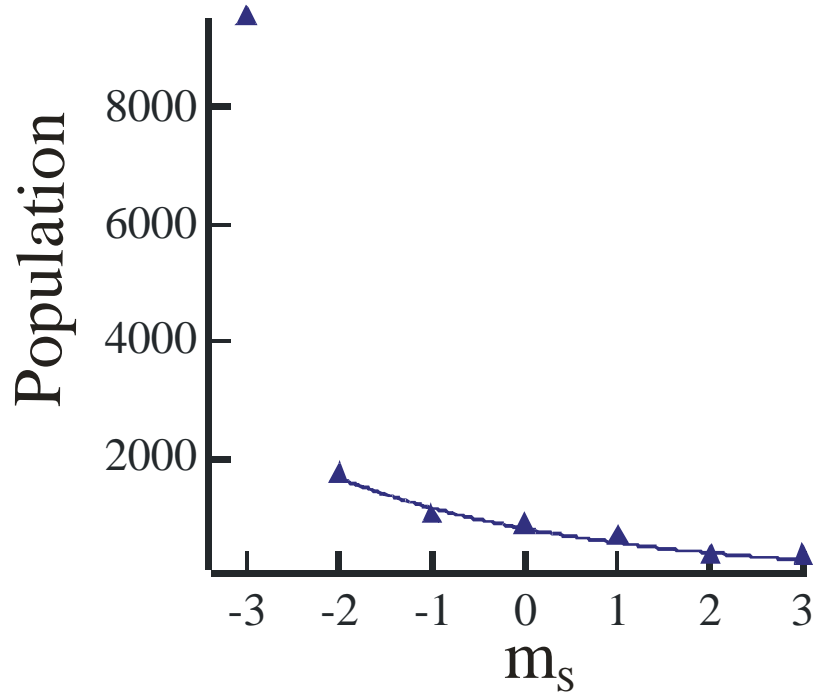
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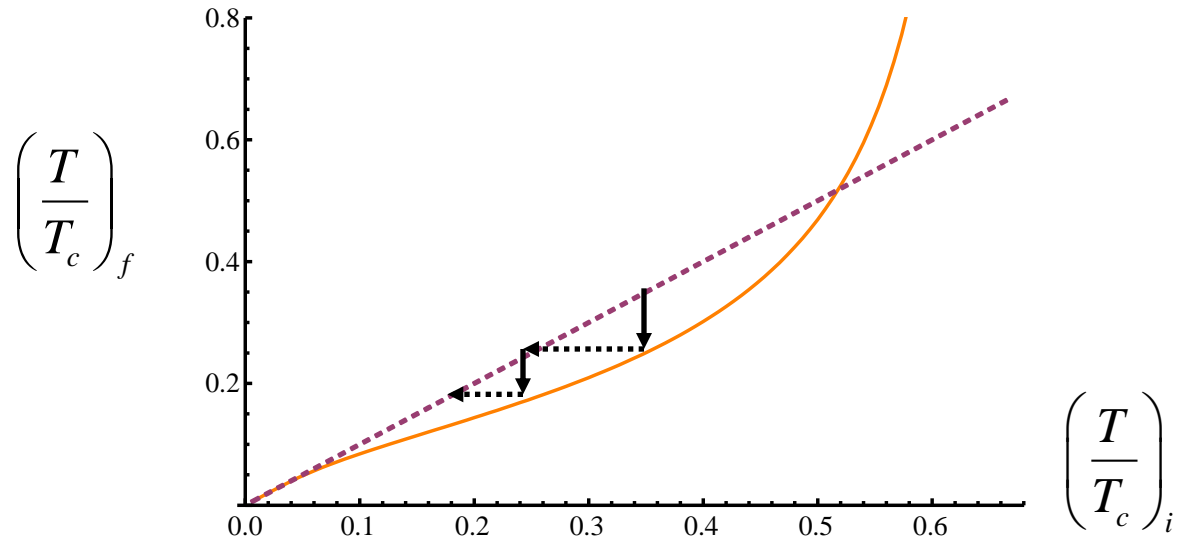
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Prospect : new cooling method using the spin degrees of freedom

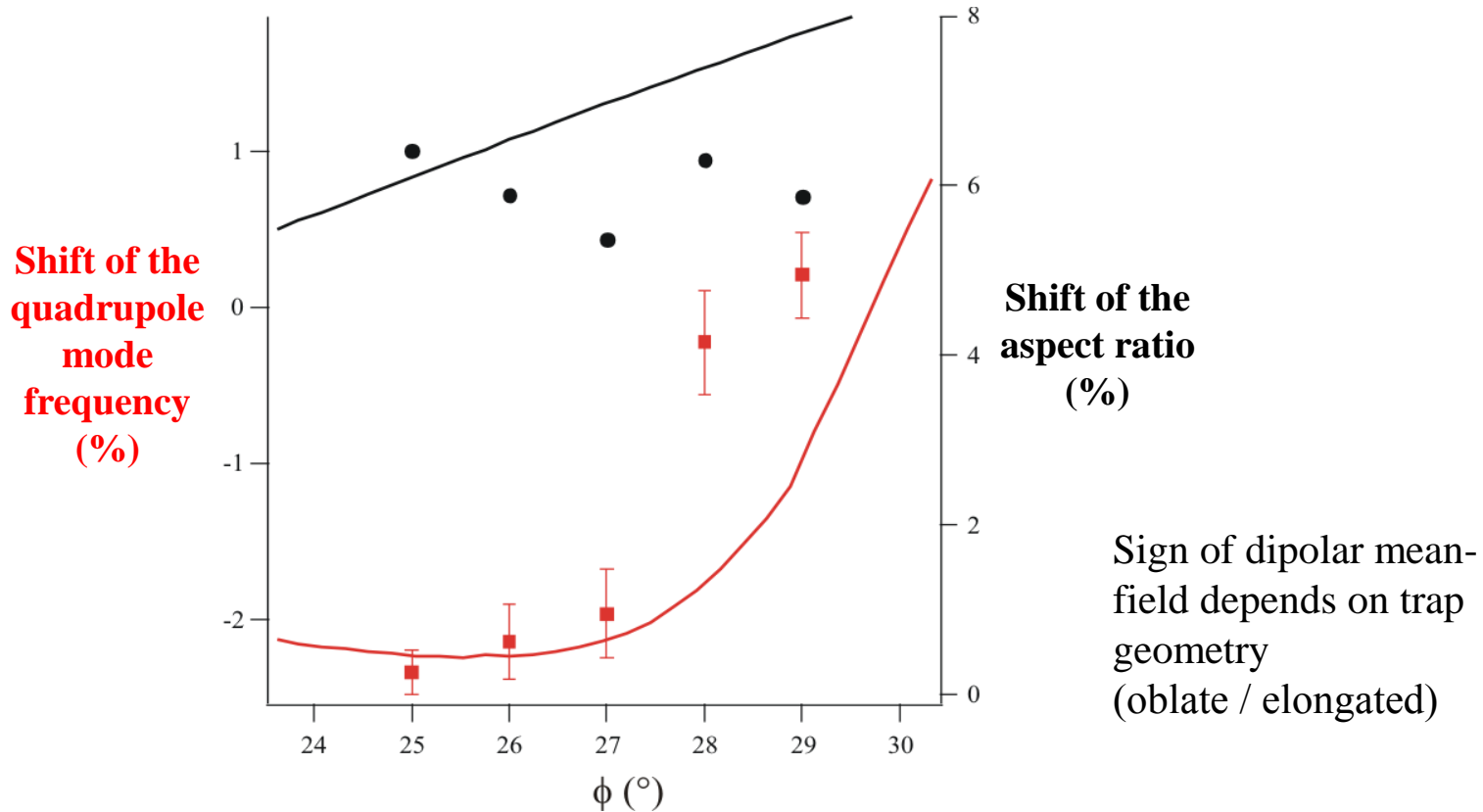


Only thermal gas depolarizes...

get rid of it ?
(field gradients)



A consequence of anisotropy : trap geometry dependence of the frequency shift



•Related to the trap anisotropy



Sign of dipolar mean-field depends on trap geometry (oblate / elongated)

Good agreement with Thomas-Fermi predictions

Phys. Rev. Lett. **105**, 040404 (2010)

Eberlein, PRL **92**, 250401 (2004)

Bragg spectroscopy

Probe dispersion law

$$E(k) = ck$$

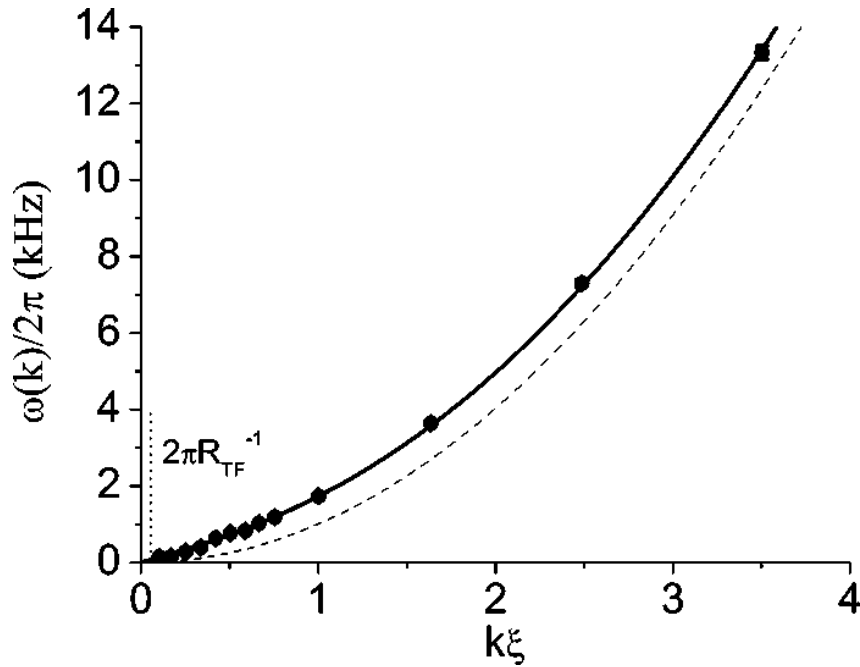
Quasi-particles, phonons

$$k\xi \ll 1$$

c is sound velocity

c is also critical velocity

Landau criterium for superfluidity

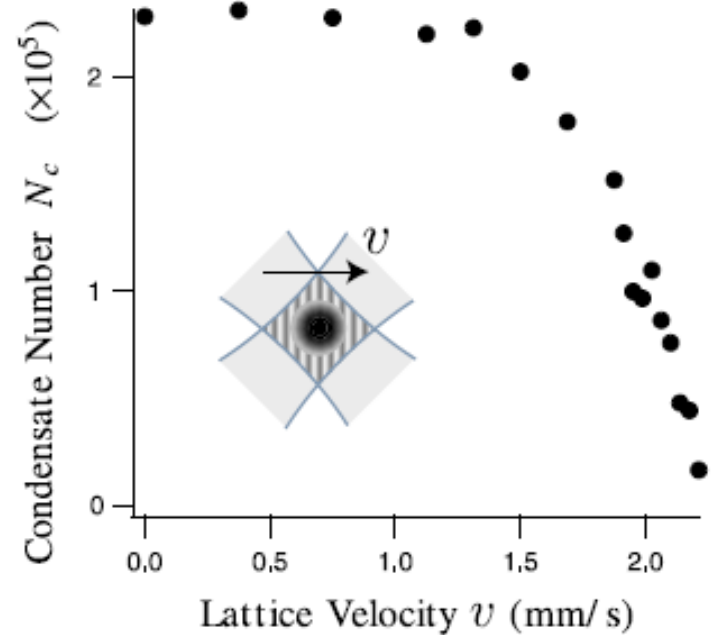


ξ healing length

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Bogoliubov spectrum

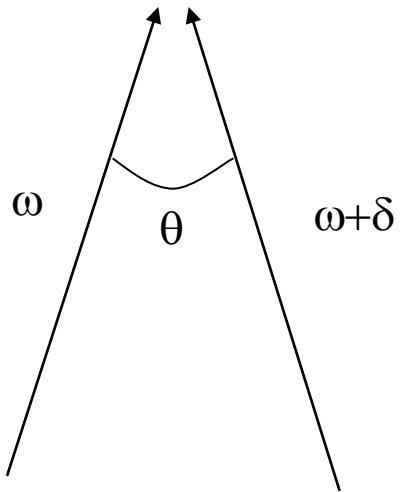
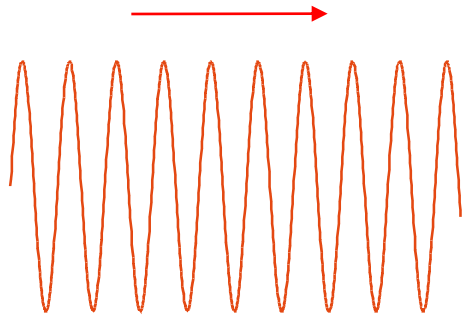
$$\varepsilon_k = \sqrt{E_k (E_k + 2n_0 g_c)}$$



Phys. Rev. Lett. **99**, 070402 (2007)

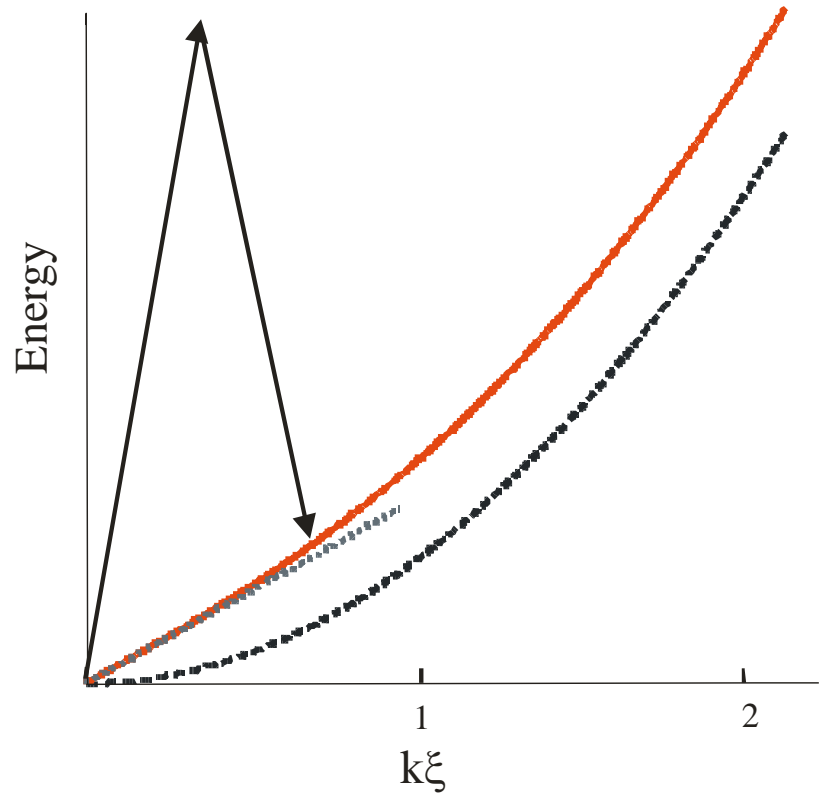
Bragg spectroscopy of an anisotropic superfluid

Moving lattice on BEC



Lattice beams with an angle.
Momentum exchange

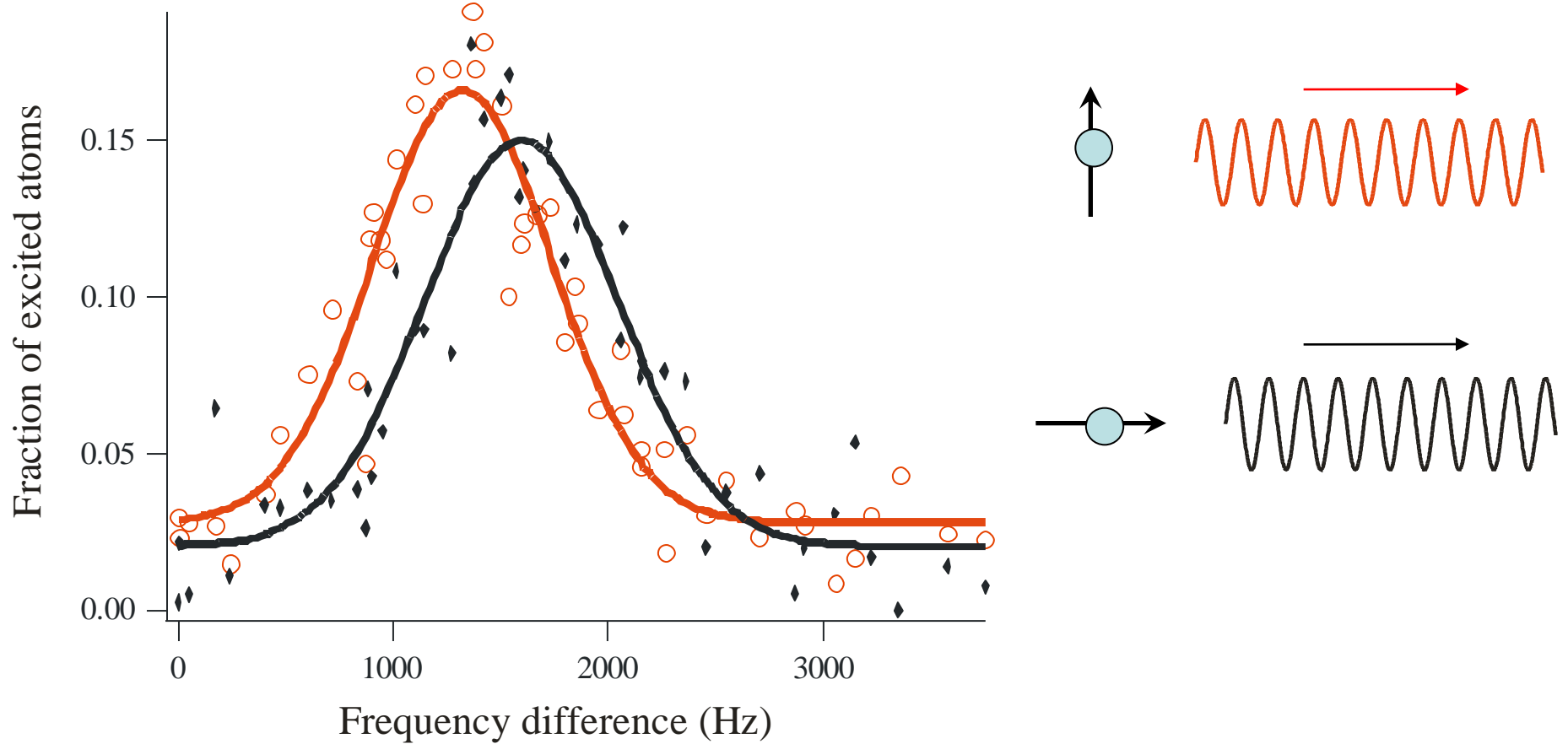
$$\hbar k = 2\hbar k_L \sin(\theta / 2)$$



$$k\xi = 0.8$$

Resonance frequency gives speed of sound

Anisotropic speed of sound

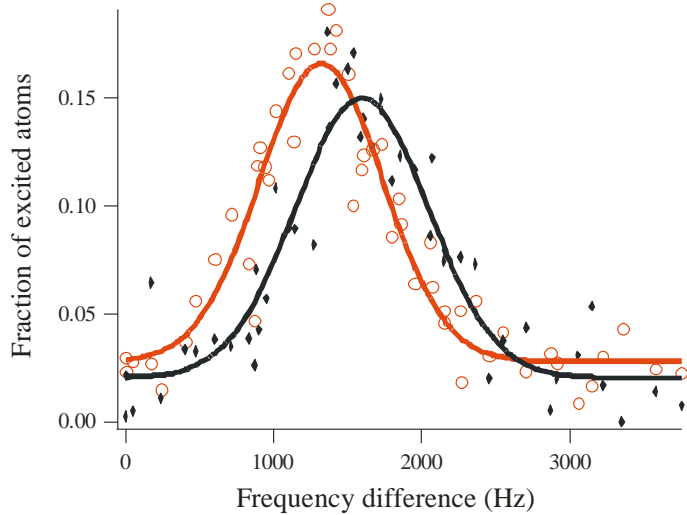


Width of resonance curve: finite size effects (inhomogeneous broadening)

Speed of sound depends on the relative angle between spins and excitation

Anisotropic speed of sound

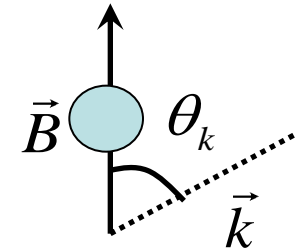
A 20% effect, much larger than the (~2%) modification of the mean-field due to DDI



Good agreement between theory and experiment:

An effect of the momentum-sensitivity of DDI

$$\tilde{V}(k) = \frac{4\pi d^2}{3} (3 \cos^2 \theta_k - 1)$$



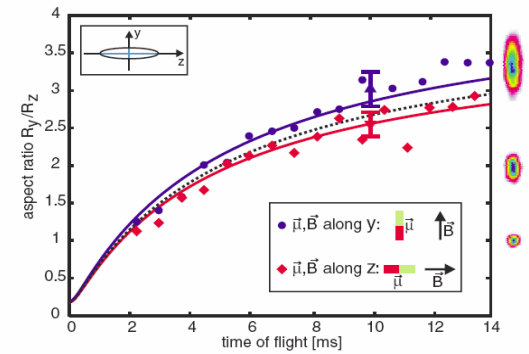
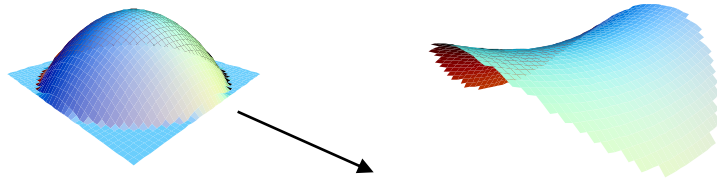
$$\varepsilon_k = \sqrt{E_k (E_k + 2n_0 (g_c + g_d (3 \cos^2 \theta_k - 1)))}$$

	Theo	Exp
Parallel	3.6 mm/s	3.4 mm/s
Perpendicular	3 mm/s	2.8 mm/s

(See also prediction of anisotropic superfluidity of 2D dipolar gases : Phys. Rev. Lett. **106**, 065301 (2011))

Hydrodynamic properties of a BEC with weak dipole-dipole interactions

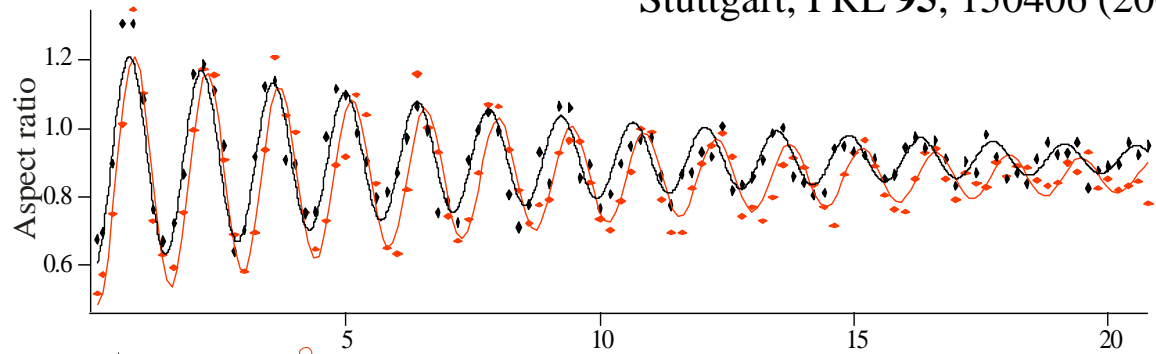
Striction



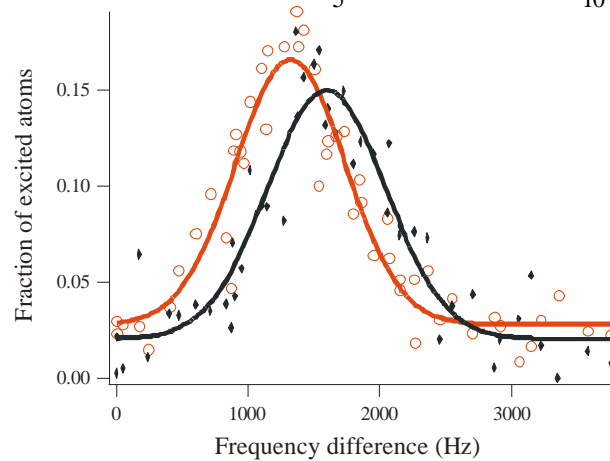
Stuttgart, PRL **95**, 150406 (2005)

Collective excitations

Villetaneuse,
PRL **105**, 040404 (2010)



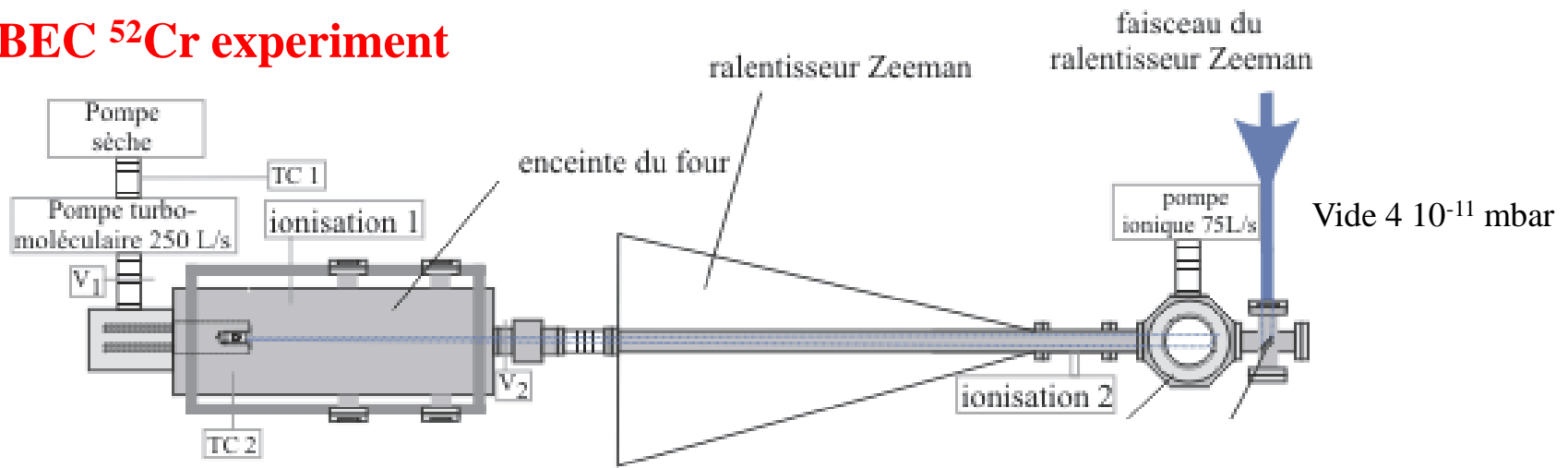
Anisotropic speed of sound



Bragg spectroscopy
Villetaneuse
arXiv: 1205.6305 (2012)

Interesting but weak effects in a scalar Cr BEC

BEC ^{52}Cr experiment

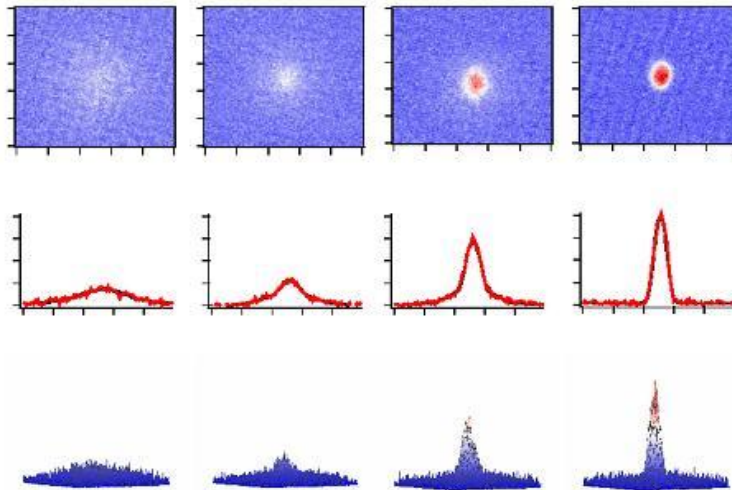


Oven 1500 °C

Zeeman slower

MOT
100 μK
 10^6 atomes

Evaporative cooling
100 nK
 10^4 atoms



Small condensates (10^4 atomes)

Oven at 1500 °C
Many lasers !
Magnetic field controlled to 100 μG

Quantum gases

Density : 10^{12} à 10^{15} at/cm³

($\leftrightarrow 10^{22}$ at/cm³ for liquid He)

Temperature : 1 nK à 1 μ K

de Broglie wavelength > 100 nm

Interparticle distance ~ 100 nm

Van-der-Waals (contact) interactions

$$V(R) = -\frac{C_6}{R^6} \longrightarrow V(R) = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2}{m} a_s \delta(R)$$

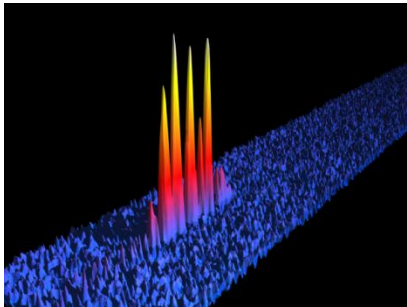
Short range
Isotropic

$a_s \sim 5$ nm - can be tuned via Feshbach resonances

Effect of interactions on condensates

Attractive interactions

Implosion of BEC for large atom number

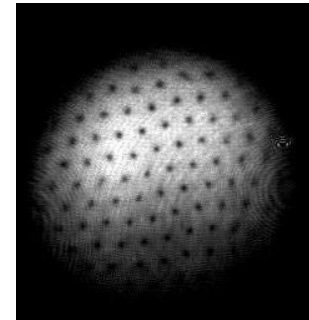


Small solitons

Rice...

Repulsive interactions

Stable condensate
Phonon spectrum



Superfluidity

ENS, JILA...

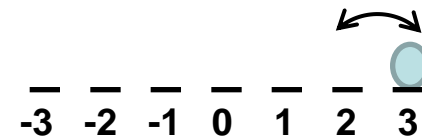
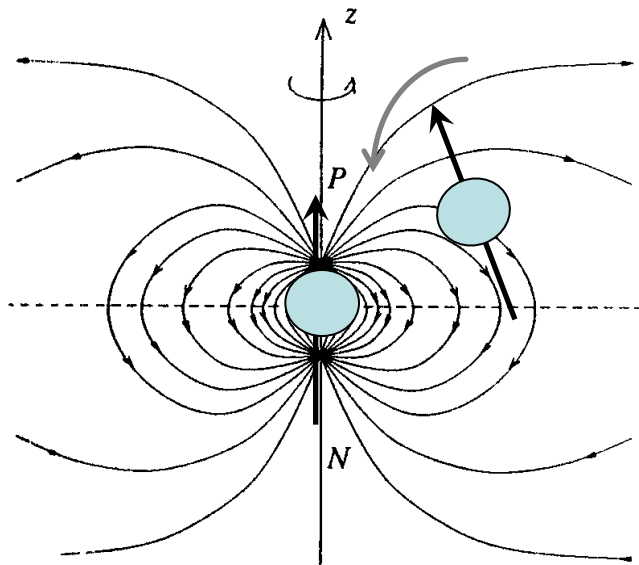
Spin dependent interactions



Berkeley...

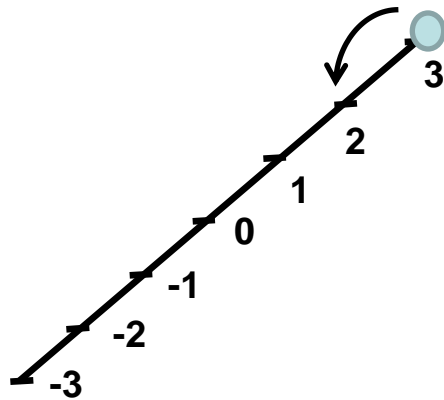
Magnetism

B=0: Rabi



$$\hbar\Gamma \approx V_{dd}$$

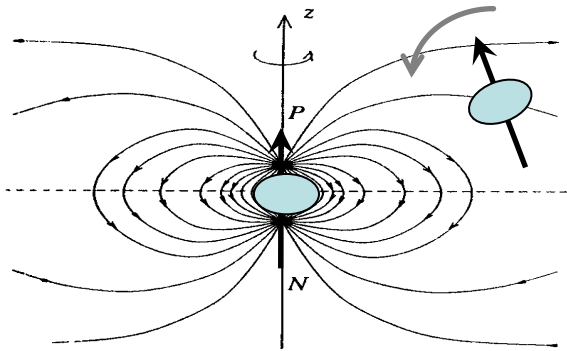
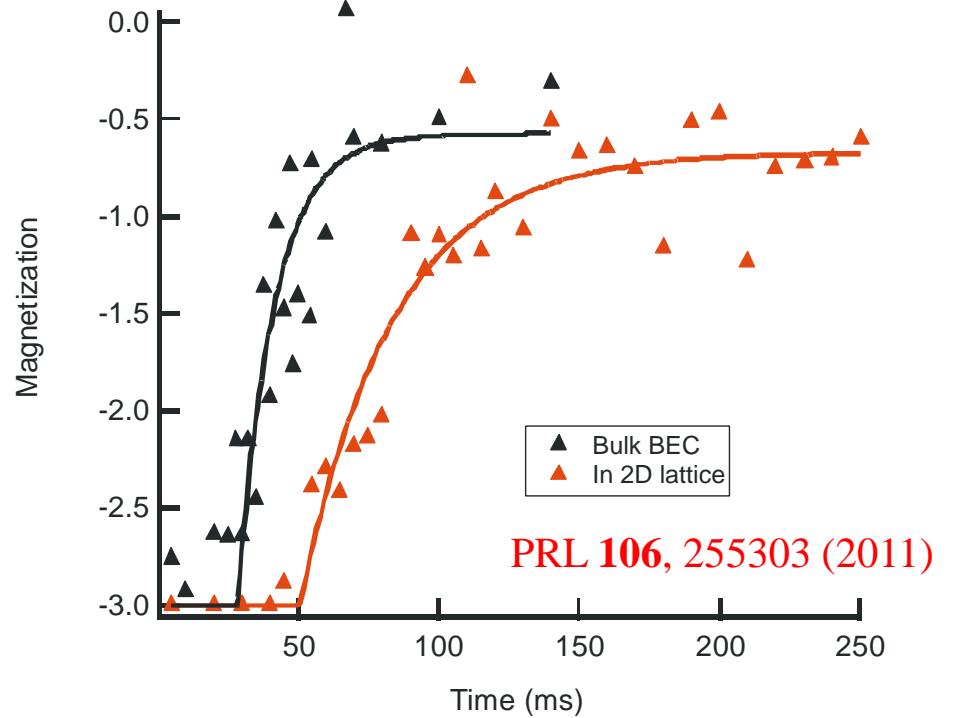
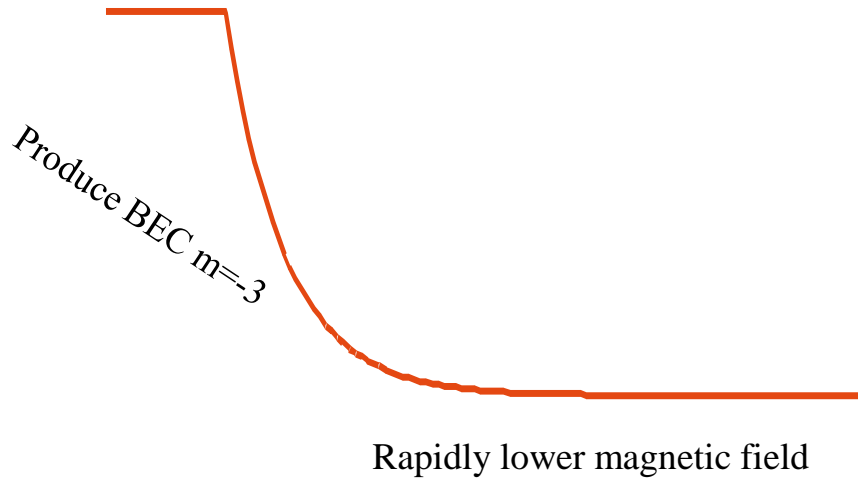
In a finite magnetic field: Fermi golden rule (losses)



$$\hbar\Gamma \approx |V_{dd}|^2 \rho(\varepsilon_f = g\mu_B B)$$

(x1000 compared to alkalis)

Dynamics analysis



**Meanfield picture :
Spin(or) precession**

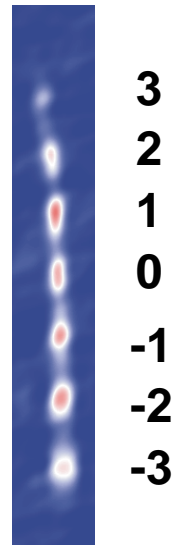
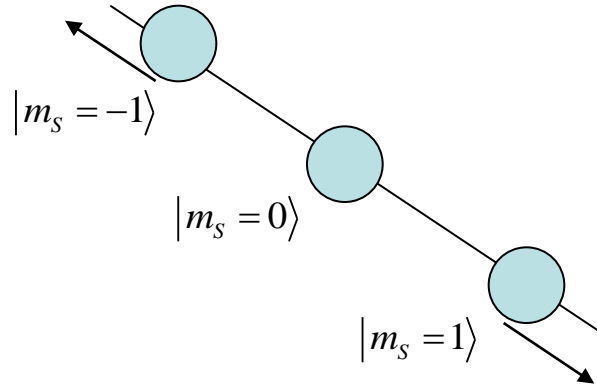
Ueda, PRL **96**,
080405 (2006)

Natural timescale for depolarization:

$$V_{dd}(r = n^{-1/3}) \propto \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} S^2 (g_J \mu_B)^2 n$$

Detecting spin properties with cold atoms:

Stern-Gerlach separation:
(magnetic field gradient)



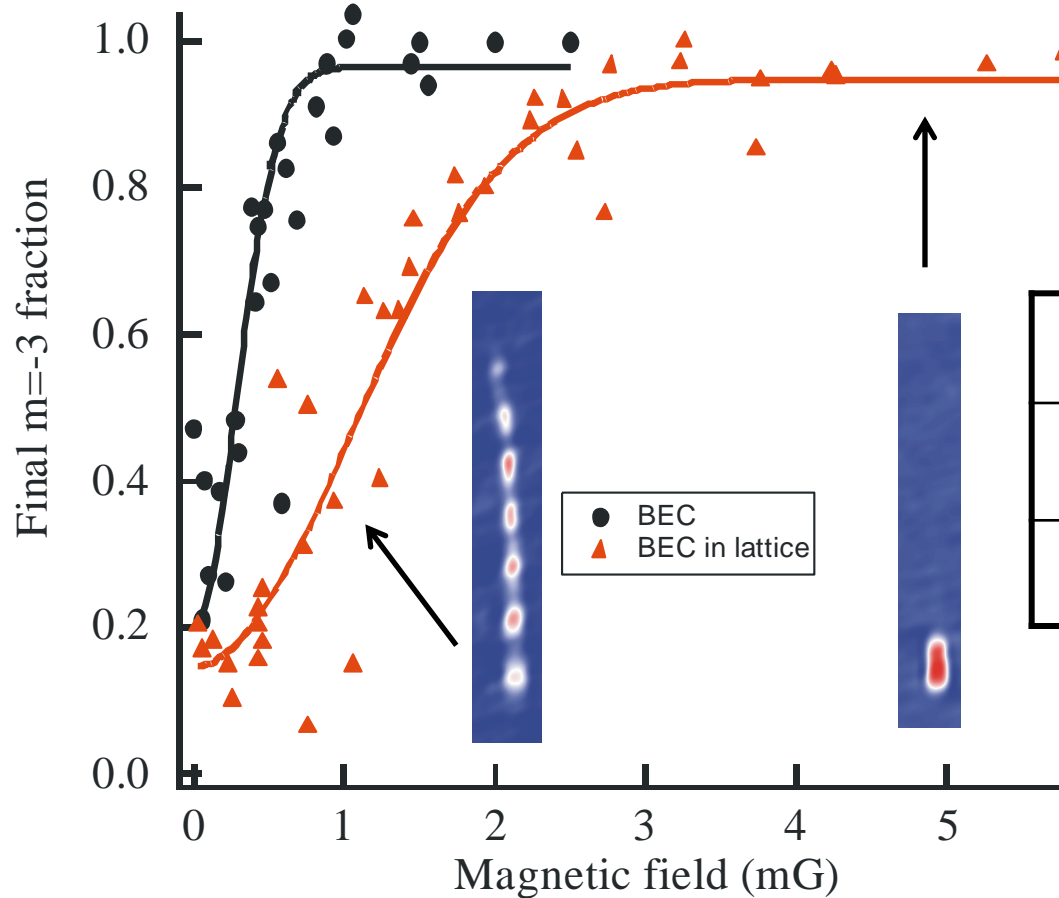
Spin-sensitive imaging:
(e.g. Faraday rotation)



See D. Stamper-Kurn,
Full 3D reconstruction of
spin vector

(we do not (yet) do this)

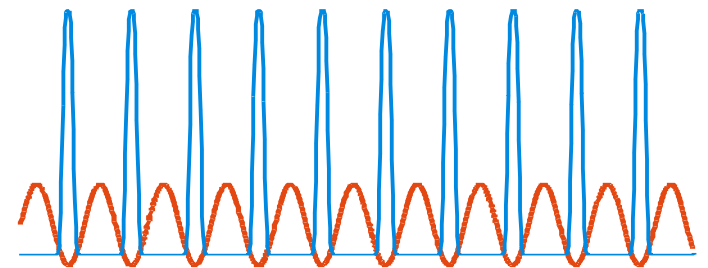
Density dependent threshold



$$g_J \mu_B B_c \approx \frac{2\pi \hbar^2 n_0 (a_6 - a_4)}{m}$$

	BEC	Lattice
Critical field	0.26 mG	1.25 mG
1/e fitted	0.3 mG	1.45 mG

Load into deep 2D optical lattices to boost density.
Field for depolarization depends on density



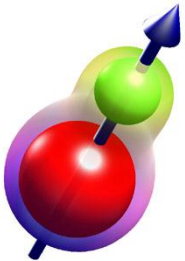
Note: Possible new physics in 1D: Polar phase is a singlet-paired phase Shlyapnikov-Tselik NJP, 13, 065012 (2011)

Different dipolar systems

« Magnetic atoms »



$$d = (1 - 10) \mu_B$$



Hetero-nuclear molecule with (field induced-) electric dipole moment

$$d \approx ea_0$$

Rydberg atoms

$$d = n^2 ea_0$$

Dipole-dipole interactions

$$\times \alpha^2 = \frac{1}{137^2}$$

$$\times n^4 = 10^8$$

$$\left(S_{1z} \cdot S_{2z} - \frac{1}{4} (S_{1+} S_{2-} + S_{1-} S_{2+}) \right) (1 - 3z^2)$$

Other differences from Heisenberg magnetism:

-Bosons...

-Not a spin 1/2 system: $S=3$

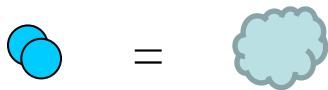
-Anisotropy

-- $1/r^3$ dependence

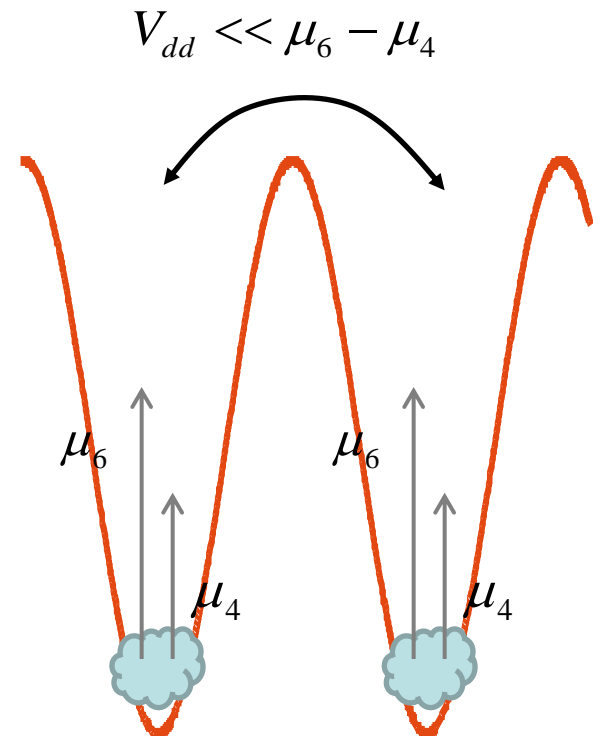
-Does not rely on Mott physics

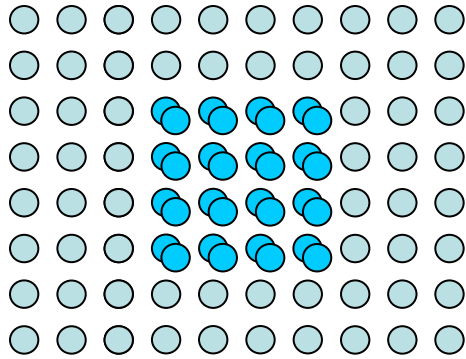
- Can have more than one atom per site

$$(S = 3) + (S = 3) = (S_t = 6, 4, 2, 0 \dots)$$



Effective S_t





Dipolar chromium atoms in 3D optical lattices –Interactions

- Spin-dependent contact interactions in doubly-occupied sites

- Dipolar relaxation

- Intersite dipolar interactions

* Between singlons

* Between doublons

