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Correlations in Ultracold Quantum Gas Mixtures.

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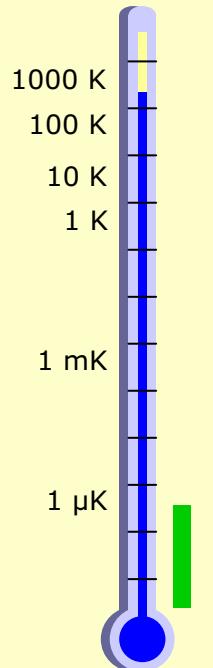
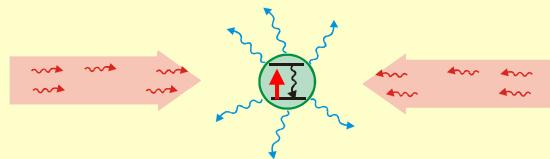
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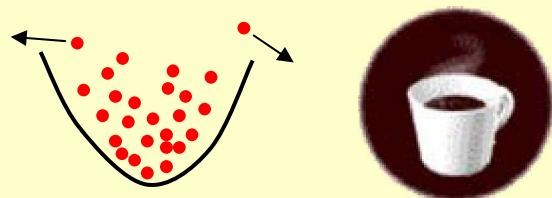
Ultracold Quantum Gases

Preparation

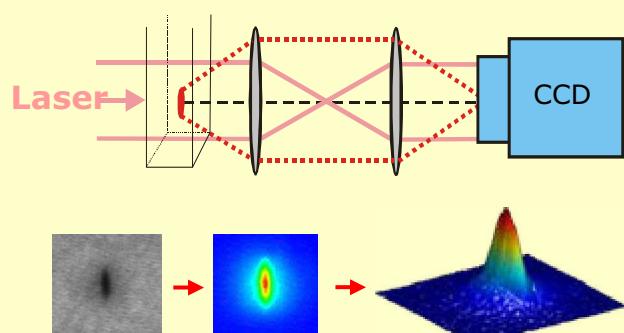
- Laser cooling



- Evaporative cooling

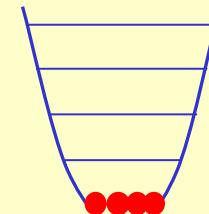


- Imaging

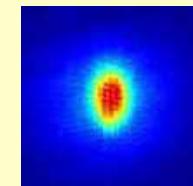


Typical Parameters

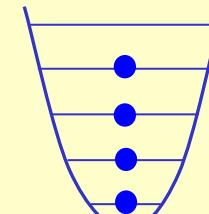
Bosons



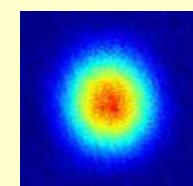
^{87}Rb



Fermions



^{40}K



$T \sim 100 \text{ nK}$

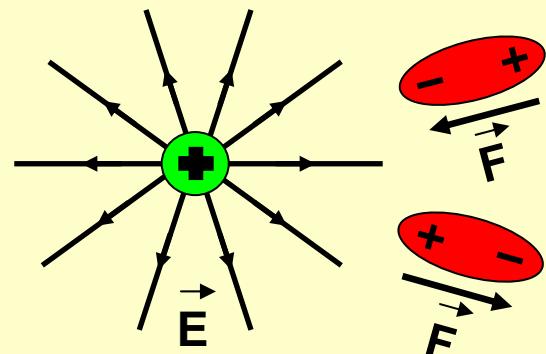
$n \sim 10^{13}..10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$N \sim 10^5$

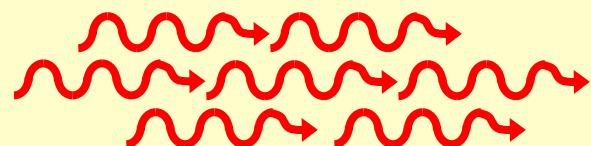
Manipulation with Lasers

Light-atom interaction

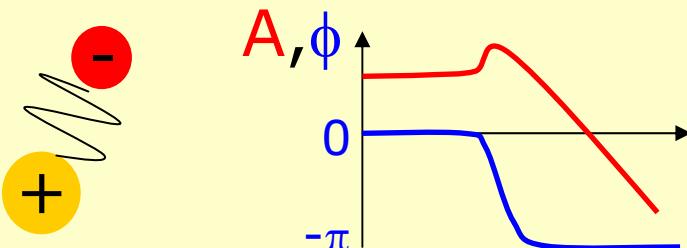
- Static dipole interaction



- Light \rightarrow oscillating electric field

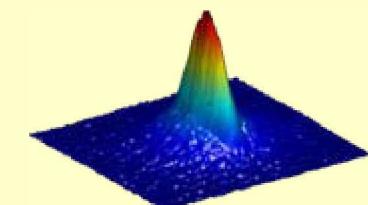


- Atom: spring model

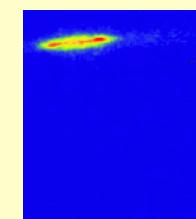
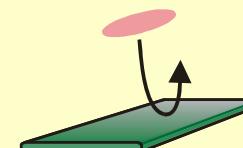


Coherent manipulation

- Trap

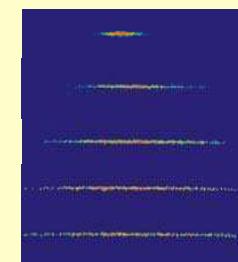
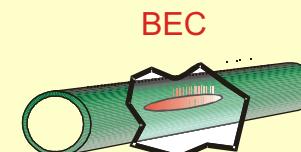


- Mirror



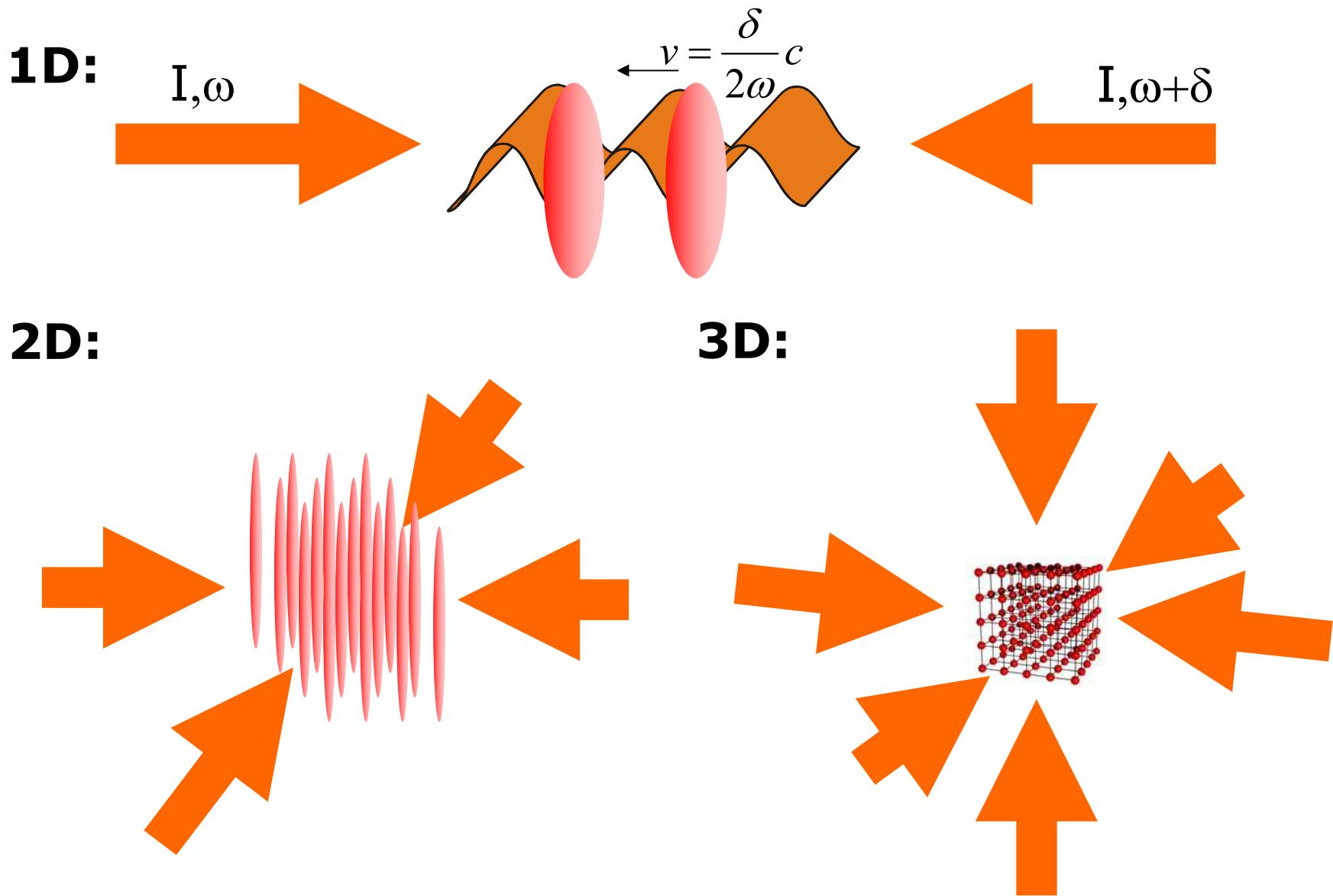
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- Waveguide

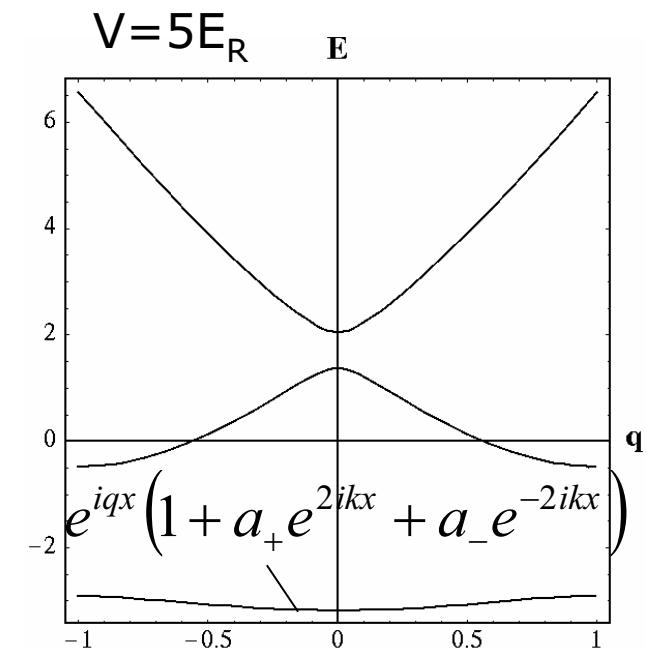
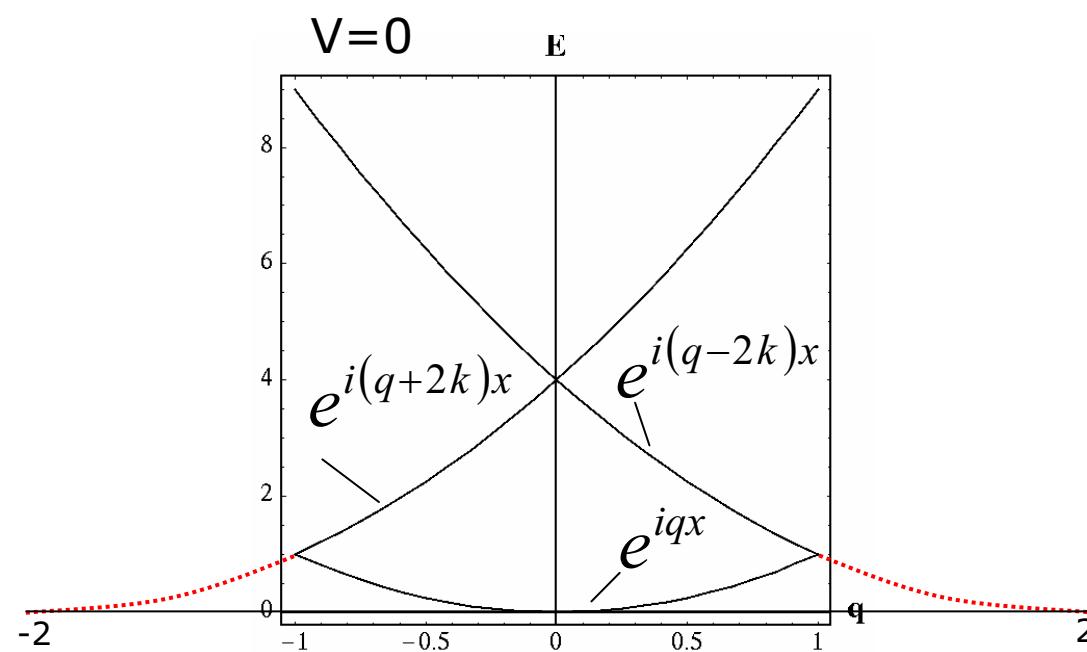


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Optical Lattices



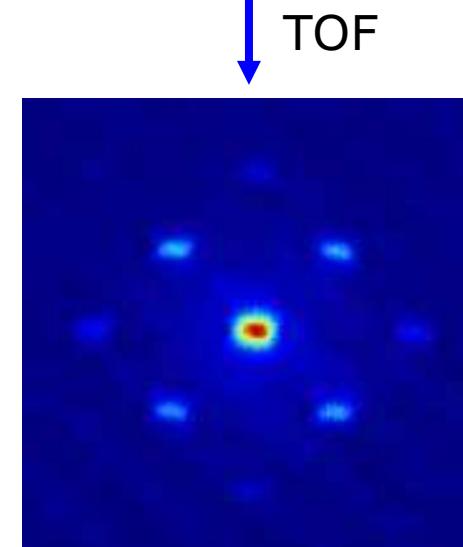
Momentum Distribution



Sudden switch off of lattice potential:

- projection of in lattice quasimomenta to free space momenta
Bloch basis → plane waves

- **coherence and correlations**

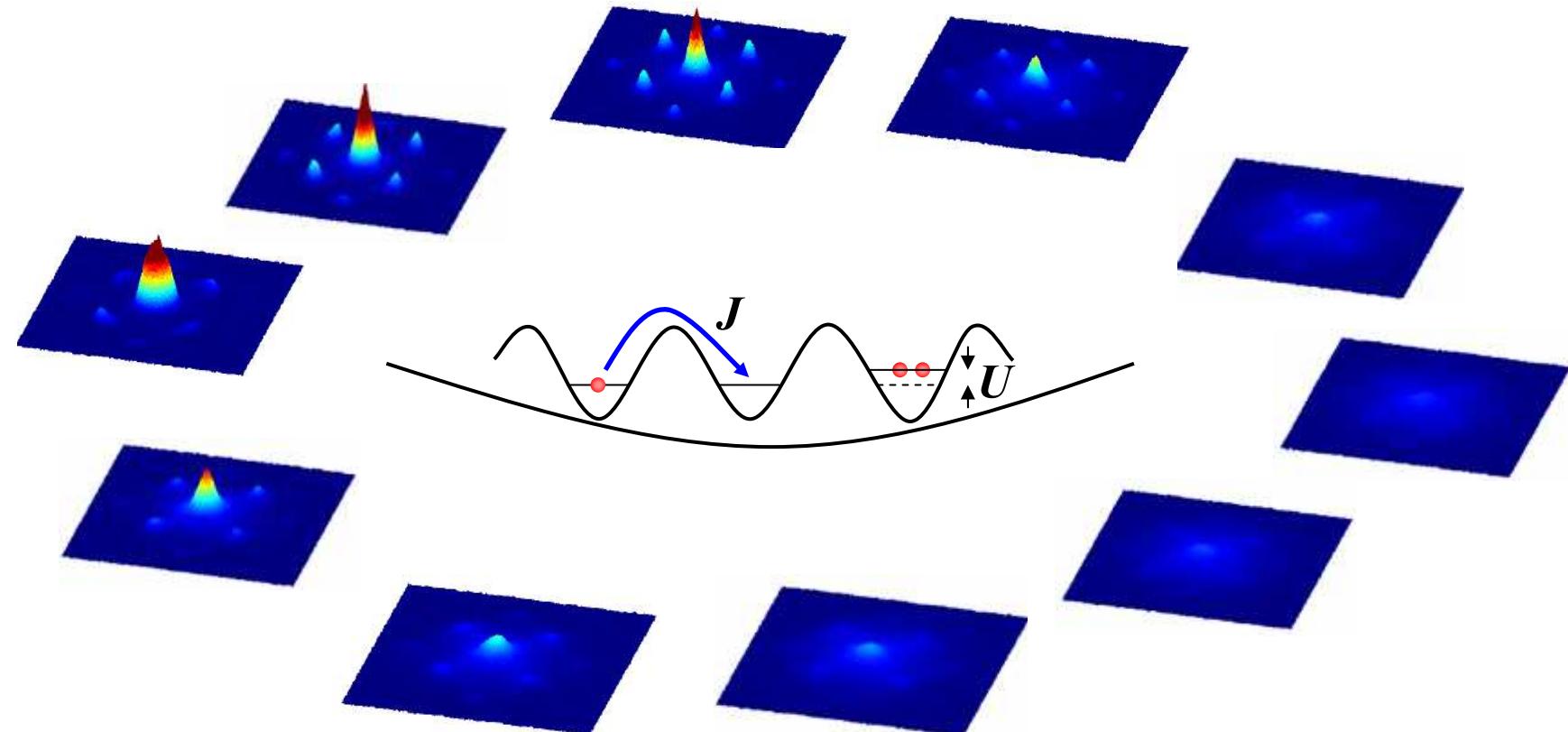


The Bosonic Mott Insulator Transition

Bose-Hubbard physics:

Jaksch et al. PRL **81**, 3108 (1998)

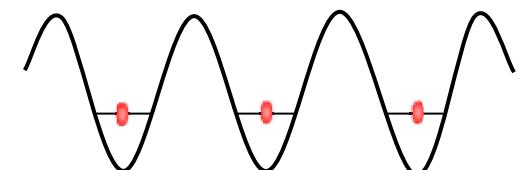
$$H = -J \sum_{(i,j)} \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_j + \sum_i \varepsilon_i n_i + \frac{1}{2} U \sum_i \hat{n}_i (\hat{n}_i - 1)$$



$U \ll J$: superfluid

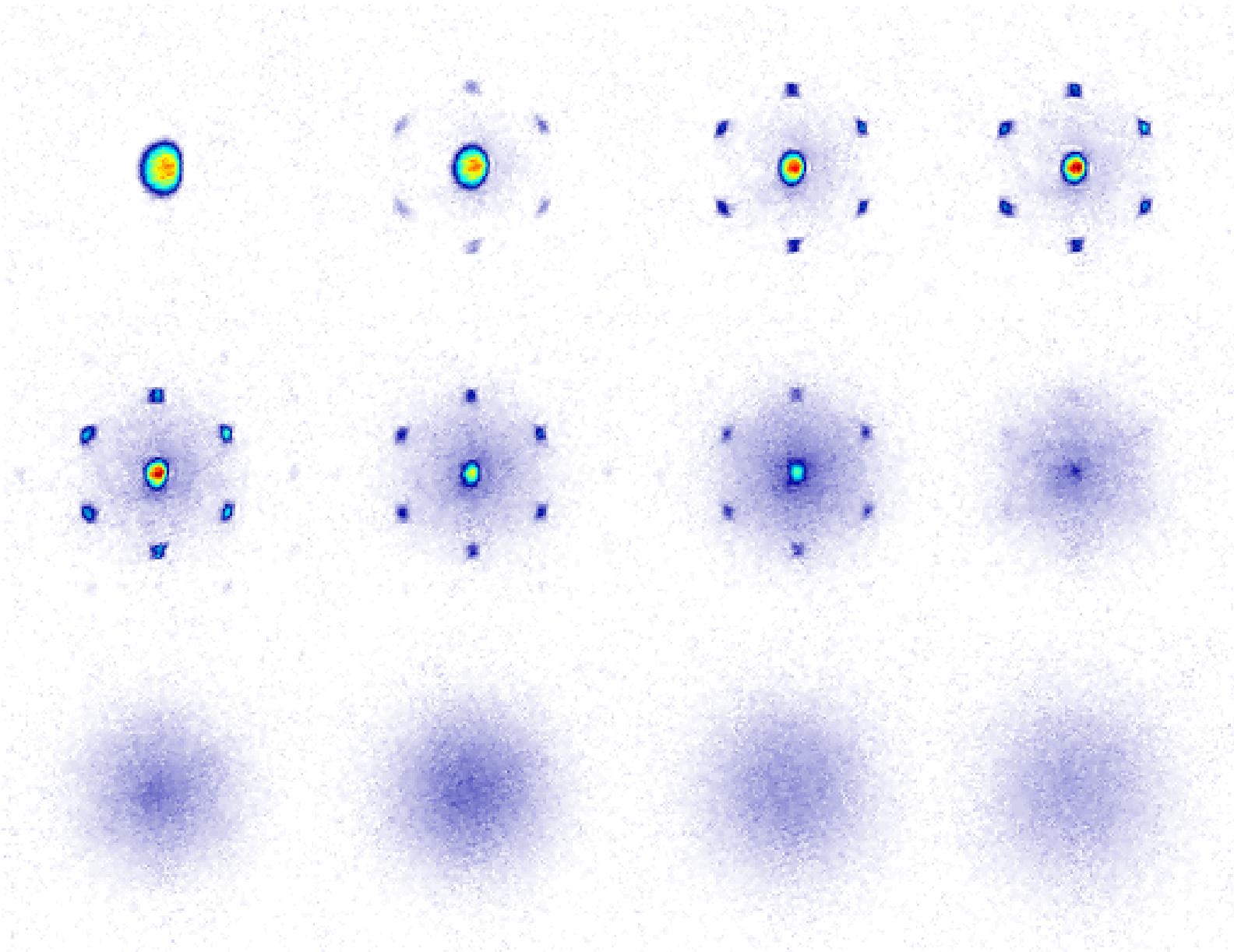


$U \gg J$: Mott insulator

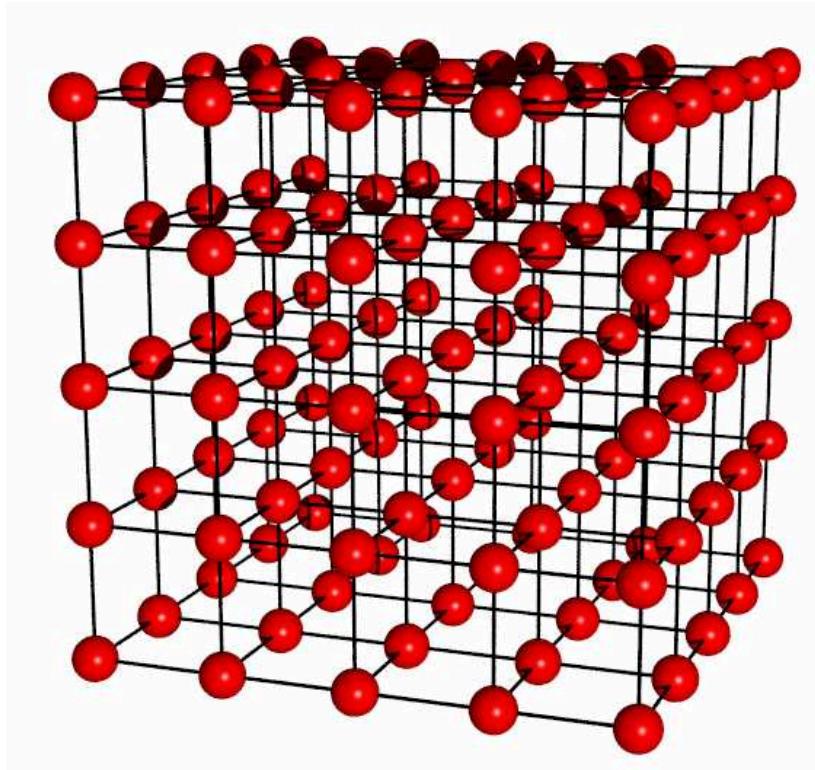


First observed by: M. Greiner et al., Nature **415**, 39 (2002)

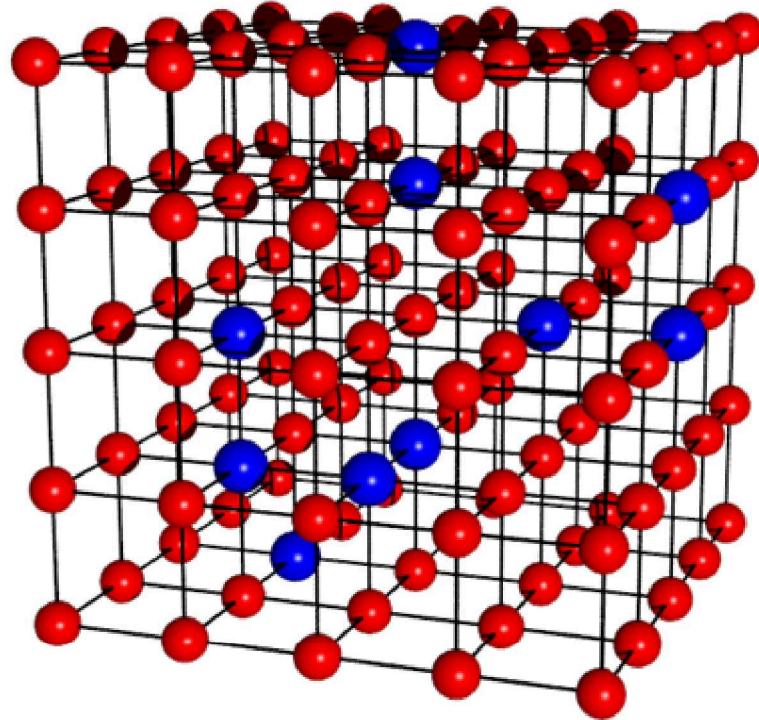
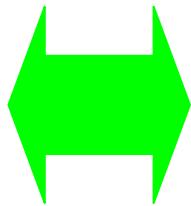
Triangular Lattice Geometry



A New System in a 3D Optical Lattice



^{87}Rb



$^{40}\text{K}/^{87}\text{Rb}$ Fermi-Bose mixture

Additional harmonic confinement for
a lattice with 25 E_R depth:

$$\nu_{\text{rad}} \sim 250 \text{ Hz}$$

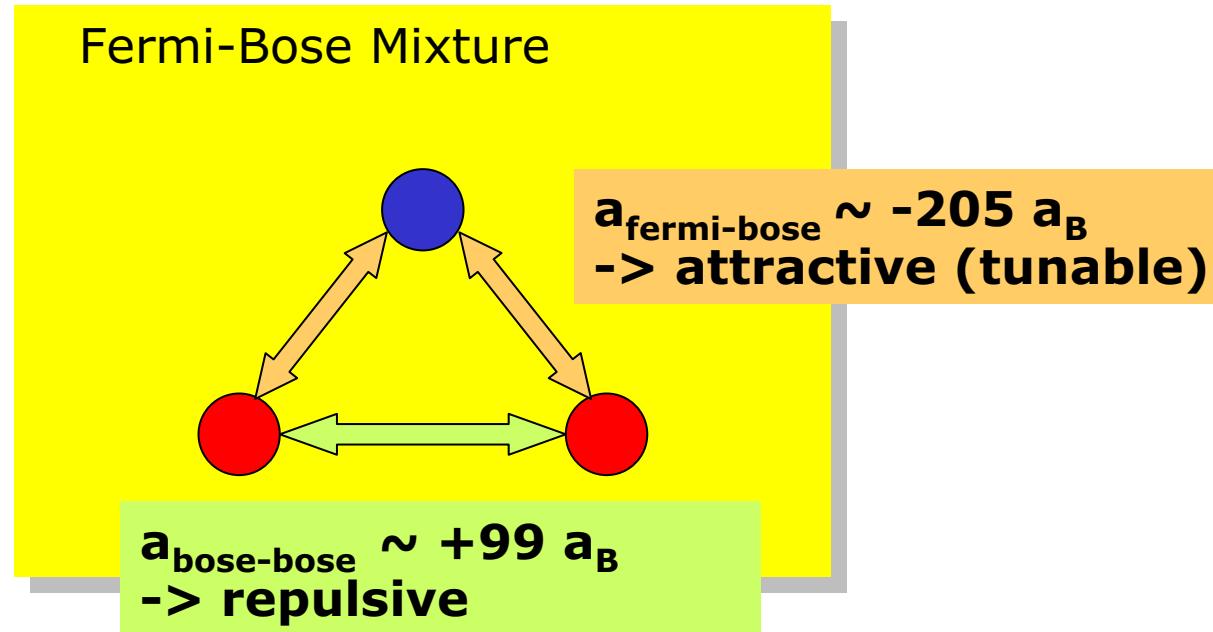
$$\nu_{\text{ax}} \sim 200 \text{ Hz}$$

mass scaling

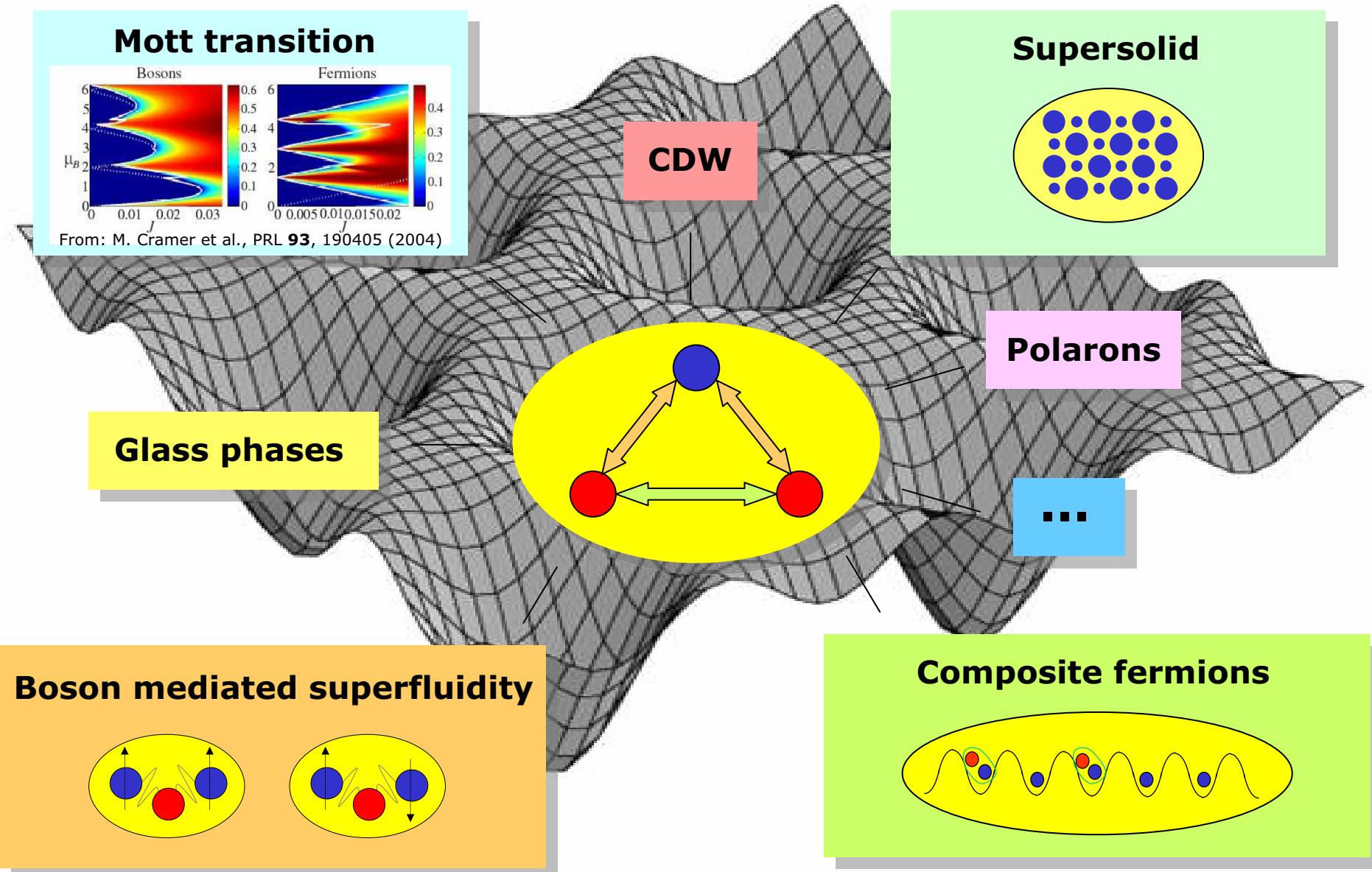
$$\nu_K = \sqrt{\frac{87}{40}} \nu_{Rb}$$

$$E_r(K) = \frac{87}{40} E_r(Rb)$$

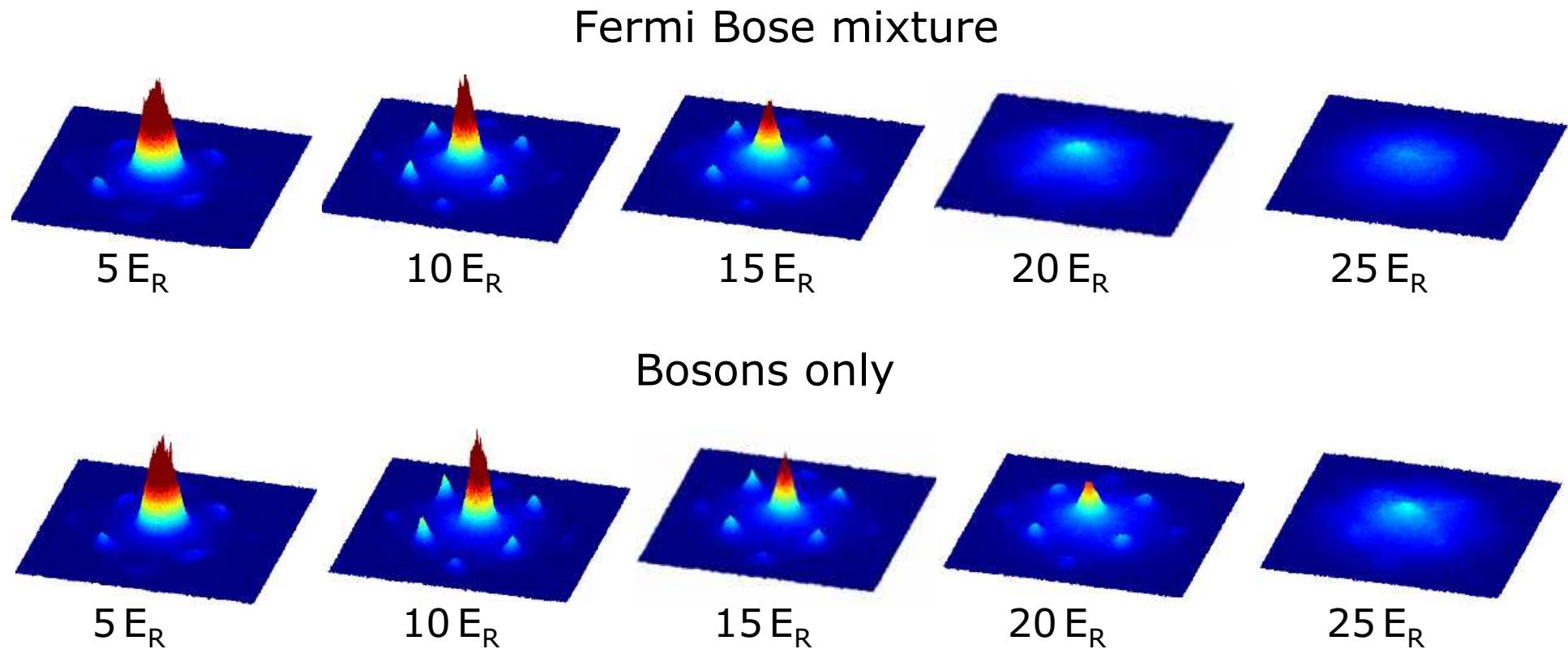
Interactions in ^{40}K ^{87}Rb Fermi Bose Mixtures



Fermi Bose Mixtures



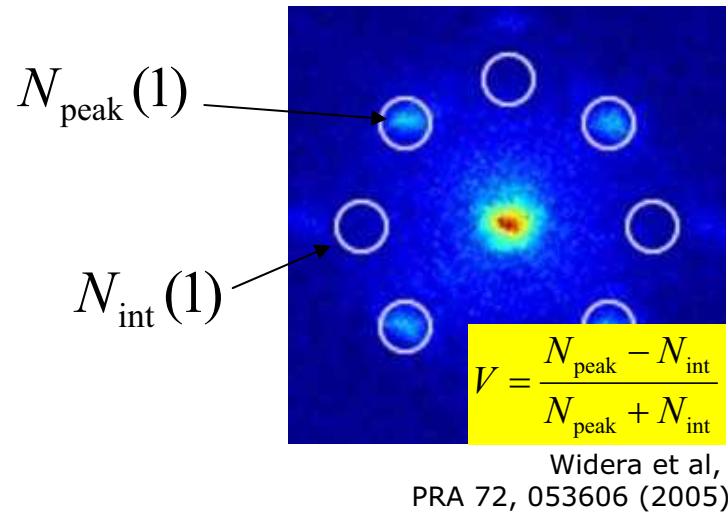
“Bosonic Mott Insulator” with Fermions



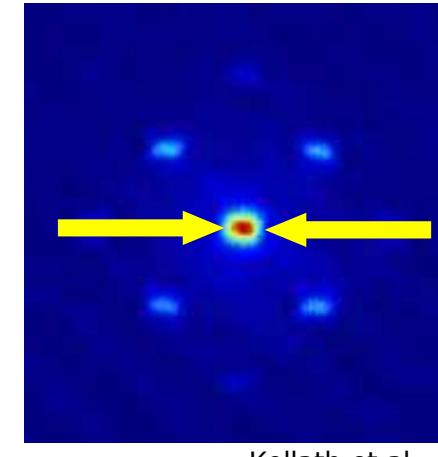
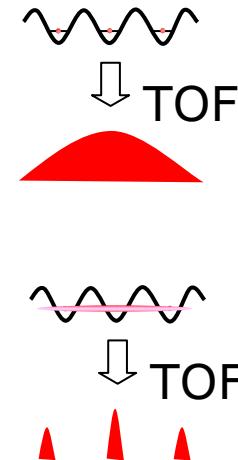
SHIFT OF THE TRANSITION !

Quantification of the Shift

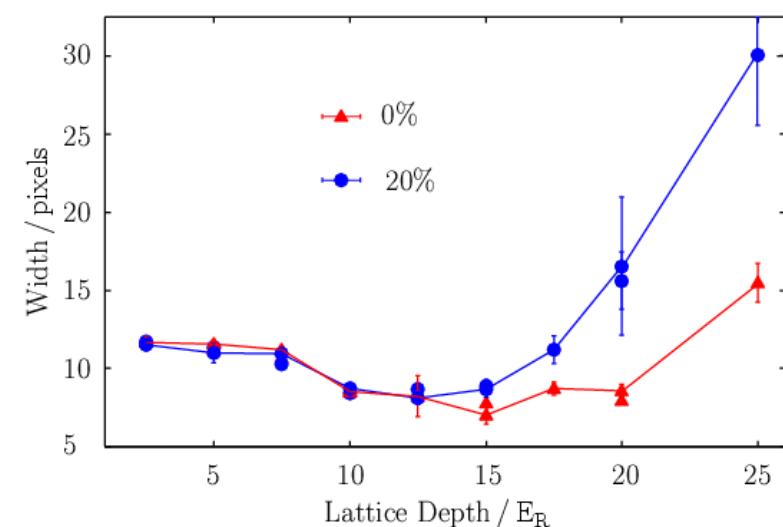
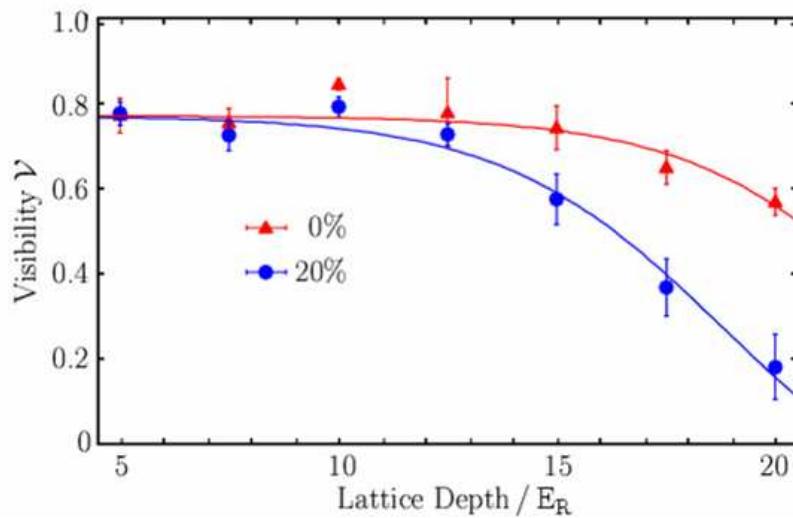
Visibility



“Coherence Length”

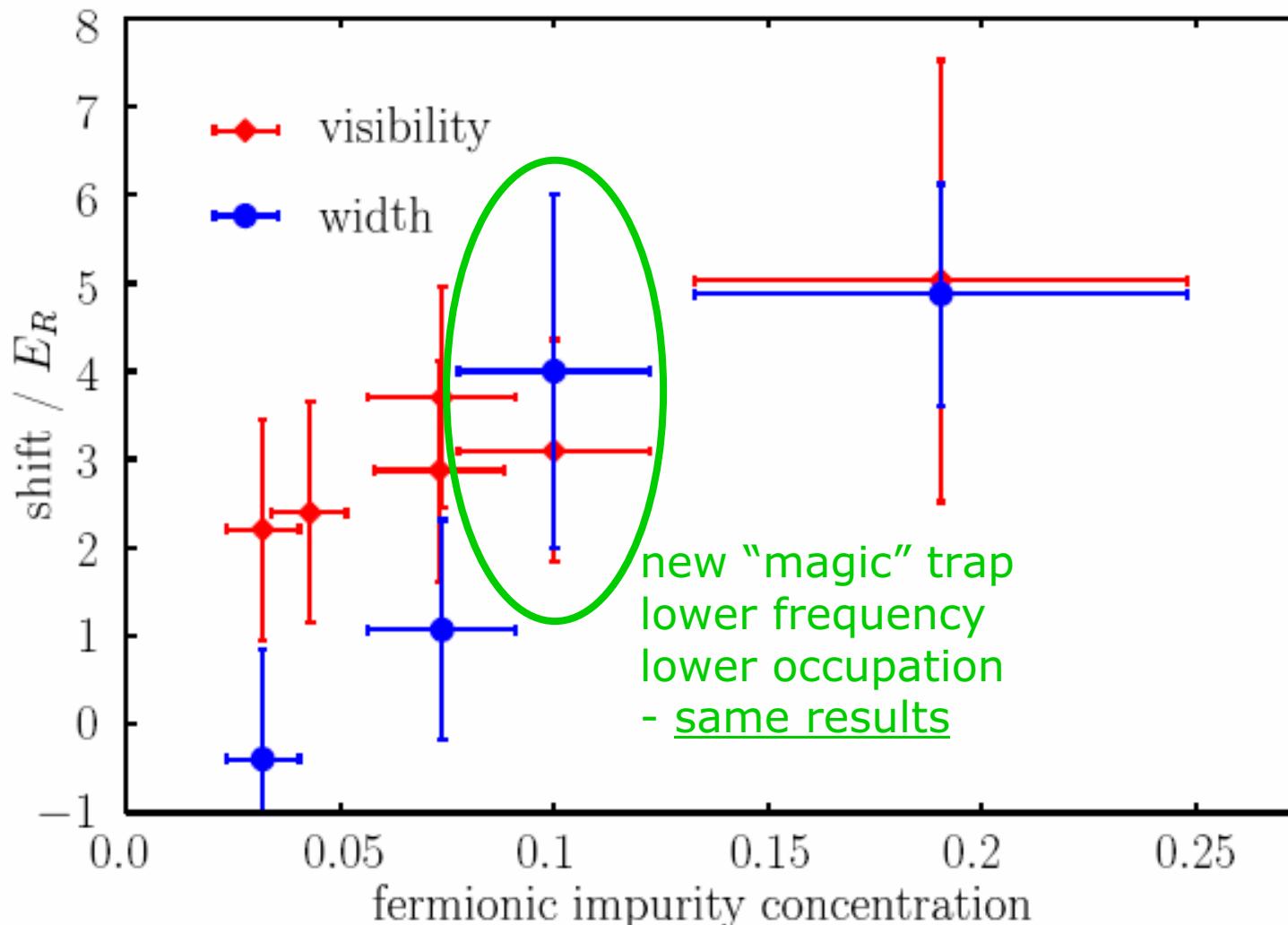


Kollath et al.,
PRA **69**, 031601(R) (2004)



Localized Fermi Bose Phase

Central result: Impurity dependent shift of the localization transition



MI Shift in Bose-Fermi Hubbard Model

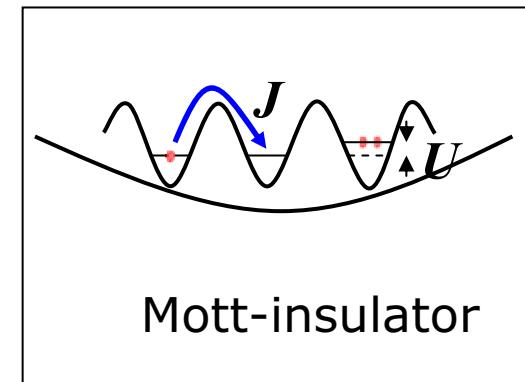
Bose-Fermi Hubbard Hamiltonian (in **single band** approximation):
 M. Cramer et al., PRL **93**, 190405 (2004)

$$\hat{H} = -\sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \left(J_B \hat{b}_i^\dagger \hat{b}_j + J_F \hat{f}_i^\dagger \hat{f}_j + h.c. \right) + U_{BF} \sum_i \hat{n}_B^i \hat{n}_F^i + U_{BB} \sum_i \hat{n}_B^i (\hat{n}_B^i - 1) + \sum_i \hat{n}_B^i \tilde{V}_B^i + \sum_i \hat{n}_F^i \tilde{V}_F^i$$

Maximum mean field effect for largest possible, i.e. unity fermion filling

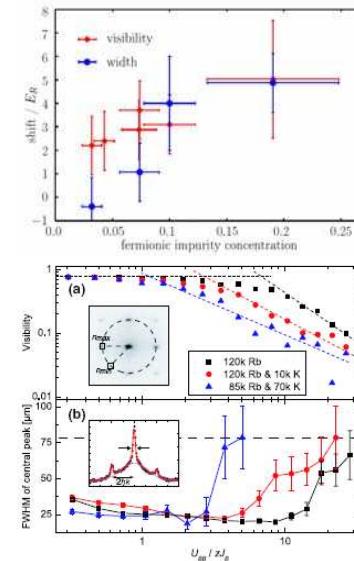
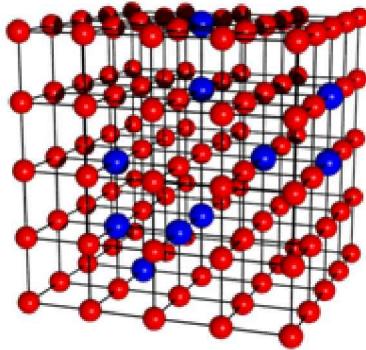
→ Bose Hubbard Hamiltonian

→ no shift expected to first order!



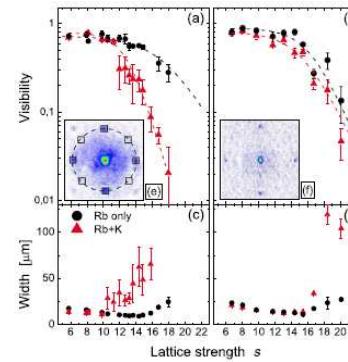
Experimental Observations

^{40}K ^{87}Rb Fermi-Bose mixtures



Hamburg
PRL **96**, 180403 (2006)

^{39}K ^{87}Rb Bose-Bose mixture



ETH Zürich
PRL **96**, 180402 (2006)

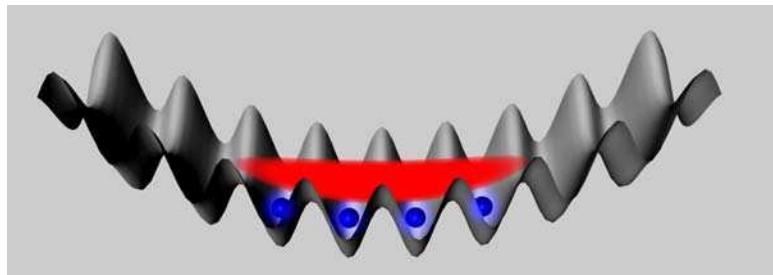
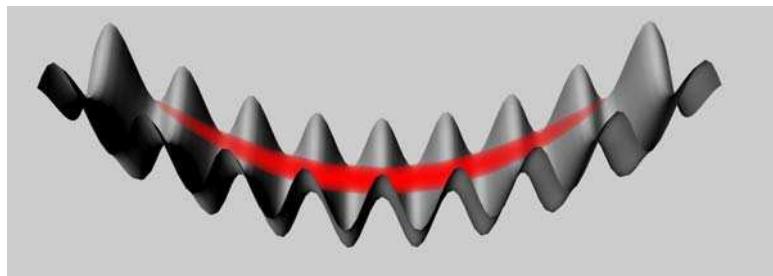
maximum shift $\sim 5E_r$

What is the origin of this shift ???

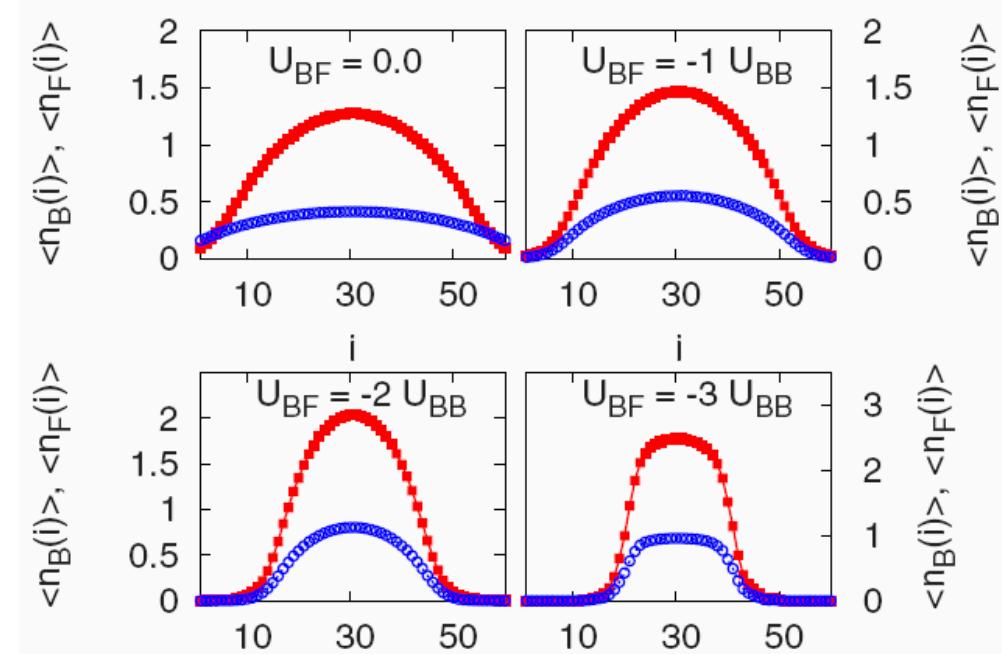
Influence of the Trap ?

Within lattice and harmonic trapping potential:

- Fermions in center of cloud (1/lattice-site)
- attractive interaction
- > increase of bosonic density



“exact” DMRG, QMC calculations (single band?)



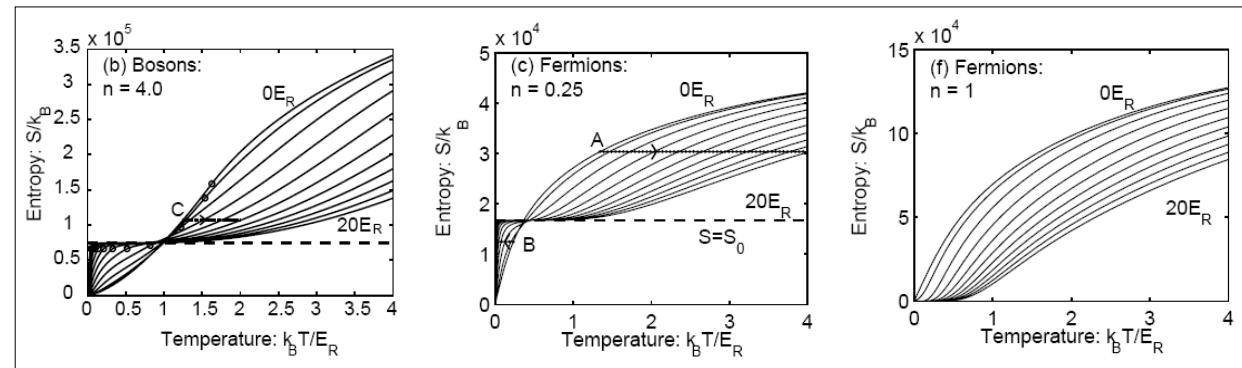
L. Pollet, C. Kollath, U. Schollwöck, and M. Troyer,
PRA 77, 023608 (2008)

-> Fermi-Bose interaction should lead to a shift in the **opposite** direction!

Thermodynamics?

Cooperation with J. Eisert and M. Cramer

- **argument:** adiabatic lattice ramp → change in temperature due to change in density of states



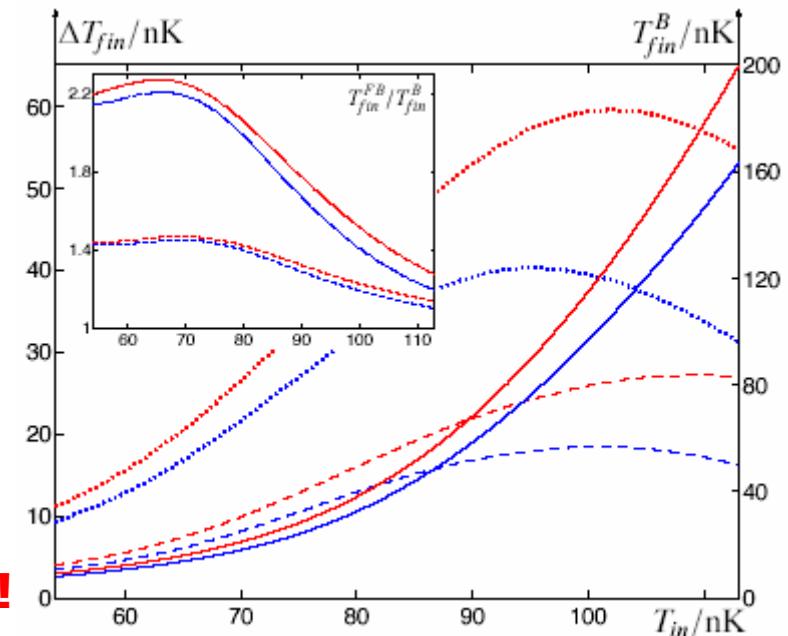
P.B. Blakie et. al., Laser Physics **17**, 198 (2007)., see also T.L. Ho et al. (2007), ...

- **calculations for our lattice potential and Bose-Fermi mixture (work by J. Eisert, M. Cramer)**

M. Cramer, S. Ospelkaus, C. Ospelkaus,
K. Bongs, K. Sengstock, J. Eisert,
Phys. Rev. Lett. **100**, 140409 (2008)

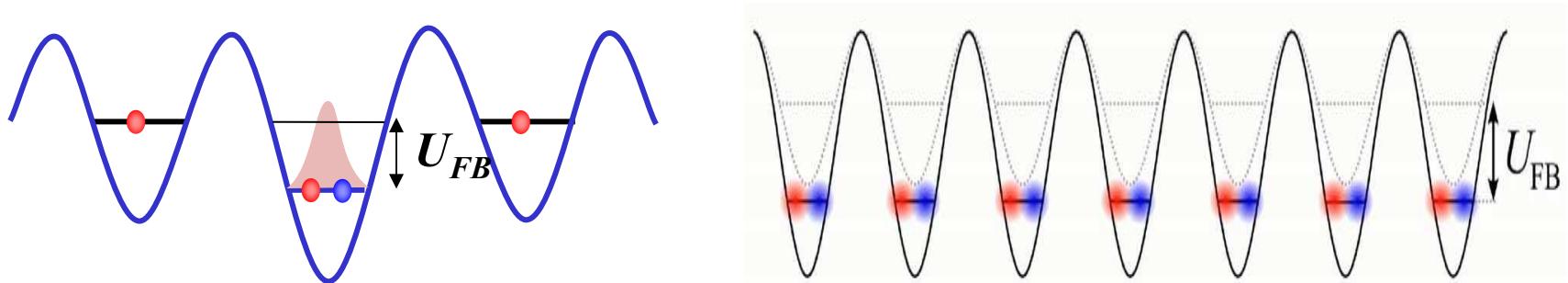
→ cooling, even of mixture, BUT:
 T (mixture) > T (Bosons only)

→ effect on coherence not yet fully clear!



Effective Potential ?

“Intuitive” picture:



Fermi-Bose interaction matrix element from Fermi-Bose Hubbard model
(Albus et al., PRA **68**, 023606 (2003))

Interactions using wavefunctions from lowest band approximation:

$$U_{\text{FB}} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a_{\text{FB}}}{\mu} \int d^3x w_{\text{F}}^2(x) w_{\text{B}}^2(x) \approx \underline{1.1 E_r} \quad @ V_{\text{lat}} \sim 15 E_r$$

reduced mass $\mu = \frac{m_{\text{Rb}} m_{\text{K}}}{m_{\text{Rb}} + m_{\text{K}}}$

compare to shift of $\sim 5 E_r$

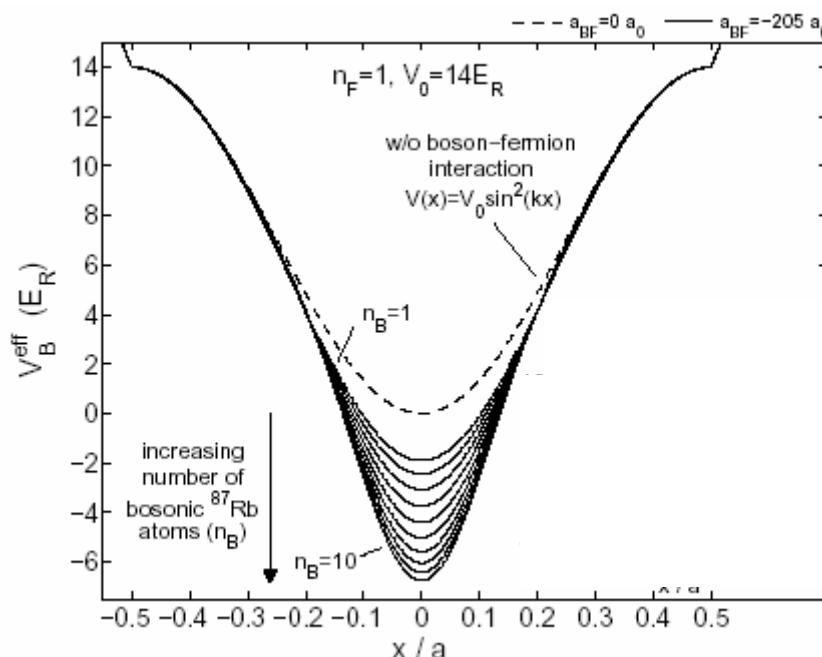
Multi Band Effects ?

Study of small systems via exact diagonalization

Cooperation with D. Pfannkuche et al.

Main result:

wave functions are strongly deformed for attractive interaction!
("admixture of higher bands")



attractive interaction

→ deformation of
effective potential

→ reduced hopping and
stronger on-site interaction

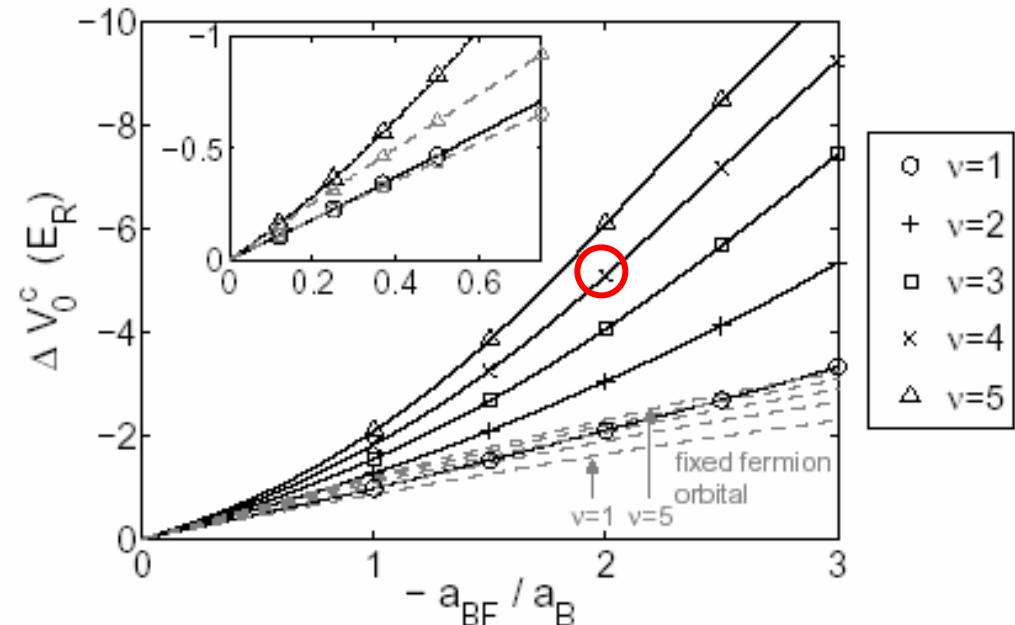
→ 'shift' in MI-transition!!

Multi Band Effects 2

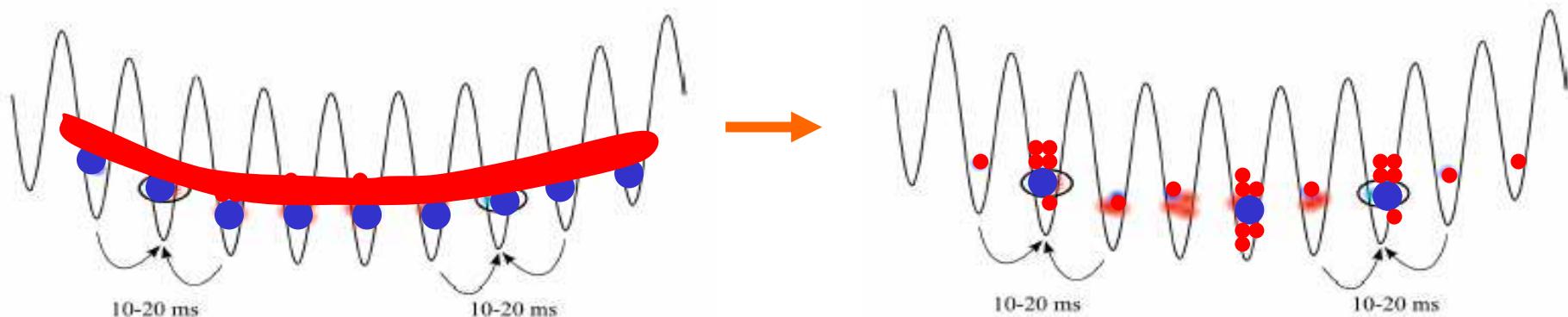
Cooperation with D. Pfannkuche et al.

attractive interaction

- deformation of effective potential
- reduced hopping and stronger on-site interaction
- ‚shift‘ in MI-transition!!



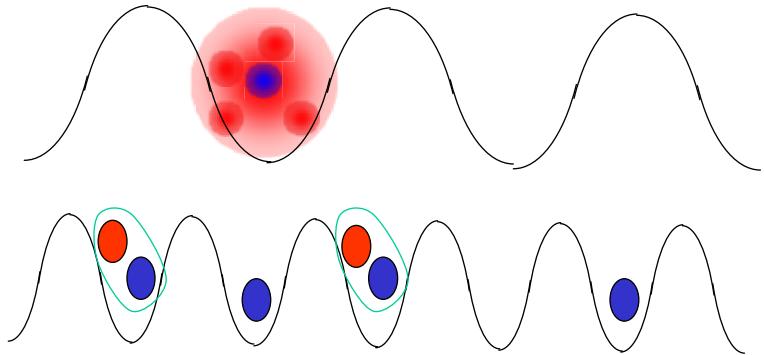
**Also: self-trapping of fermions and bosons
(one Fermion can attract up to 6 Bosons! → Polaron-like behaviour)**



Trapping scenarios ?

Polaron-like dressing of fermions

L. Mathey, et al., PRL **93**, 1204040 (2004).
M. Bruderer, et al., PRA **76**, 011605(R) (2007).

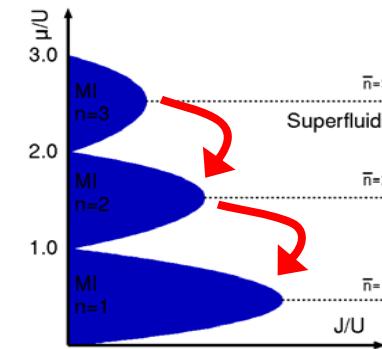


Formation of composite fermions

M. Lewenstein et al., PRL **92**, 050401 (2004).

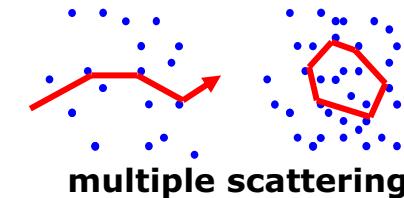
Effects:

1. Depletion of the condensate wavefunction
 - Incoherent background and shift of 1-3 E_R
 2. Localization of polarons/composites
- Disorder with localized impurities??

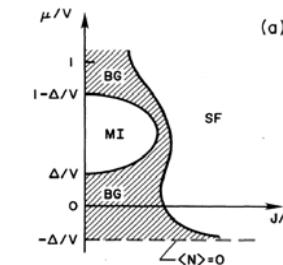


Disorder scenarios ?

Fermions act as impurity scatterers

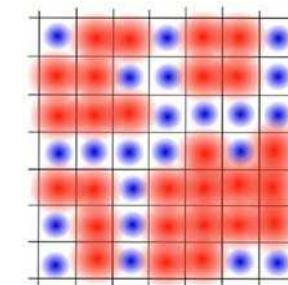


- Weak/strong localization,
Bose glass phase,... ? (*Fleischhauer et al.*)



Fisher et al., PRB 40, 546 (1989)

- Quantum percolation ?

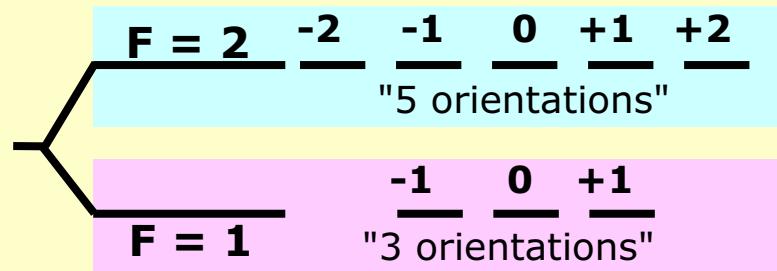


Localization possible for relatively small potential perturbations

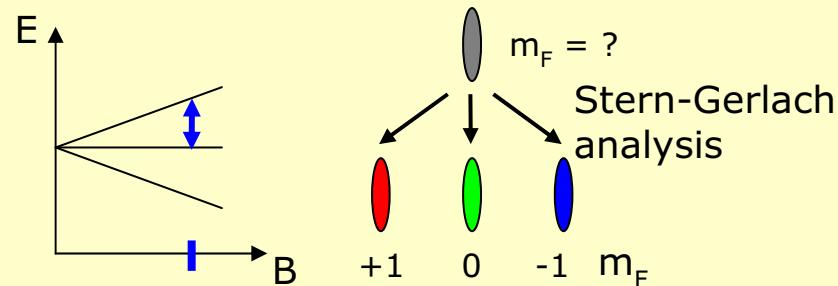
A Different System: Spin Mixtures

Control of the Spin

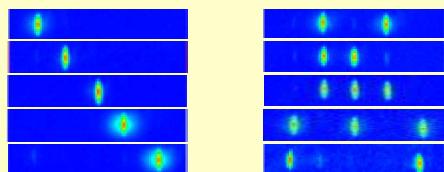
- the system: ^{87}Rb



- magnetic field: Zeeman-shift

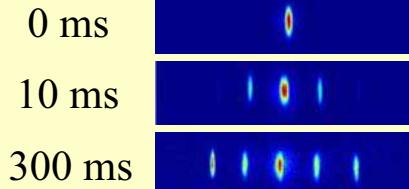
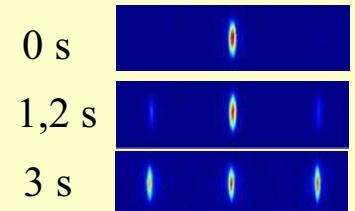


- state preparation using rf fields



Magnetism

- ground states



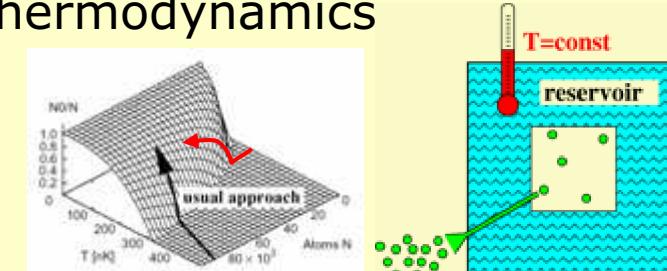
$F=1$ ferromagnetic

Phys. Rev. Lett. 92, 040402 (2004)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 160405 (2008)

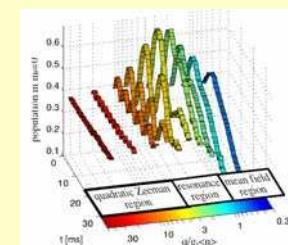
$F=2$ antiferromagnetic

- thermodynamics



Phys. Rev. A 70, 031602 (2004)

- coherent dynamics



PRA 72, 063619 (2005)

PRA 73, 013629 (2006)

PRL 97, 110404 (2006)

F=1 Spinor BEC and Josephson Junction

$$H = E_L \psi_L^+ \psi_L + E_R \psi_R^+ \psi_R + H_T$$

$$H_T = K(\psi_R^+ \psi_L + \psi_L^+ \psi_R)$$

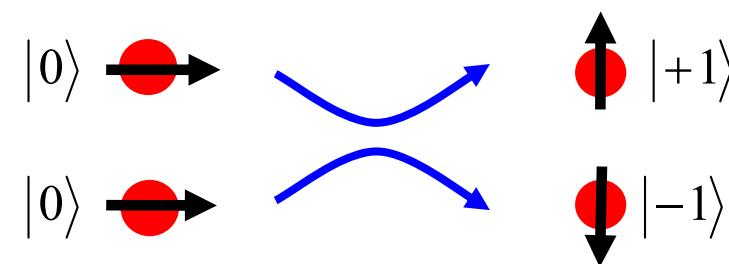
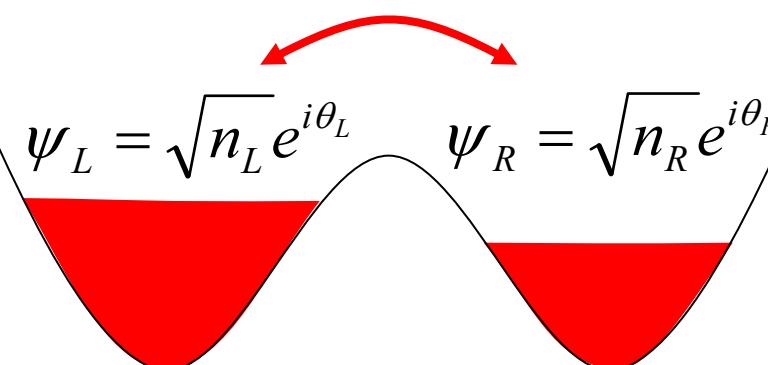
$$\theta_R - \theta_L = \Delta\theta_0 + \frac{E_L - E_R}{\hbar} t$$

Spinor BEC:

"internal Josephson junction"

with $L \rightarrow 00, R \rightarrow \pm 1$

$$j = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} n_L = \frac{K}{\hbar} \sqrt{n_R n_L} \sin(\theta_R - \theta_L)$$



→ Spinor BEC:

competition of mean field
and quadratic Zeeman
energy shifts

Mean field



energy \sim population,
density & interactions

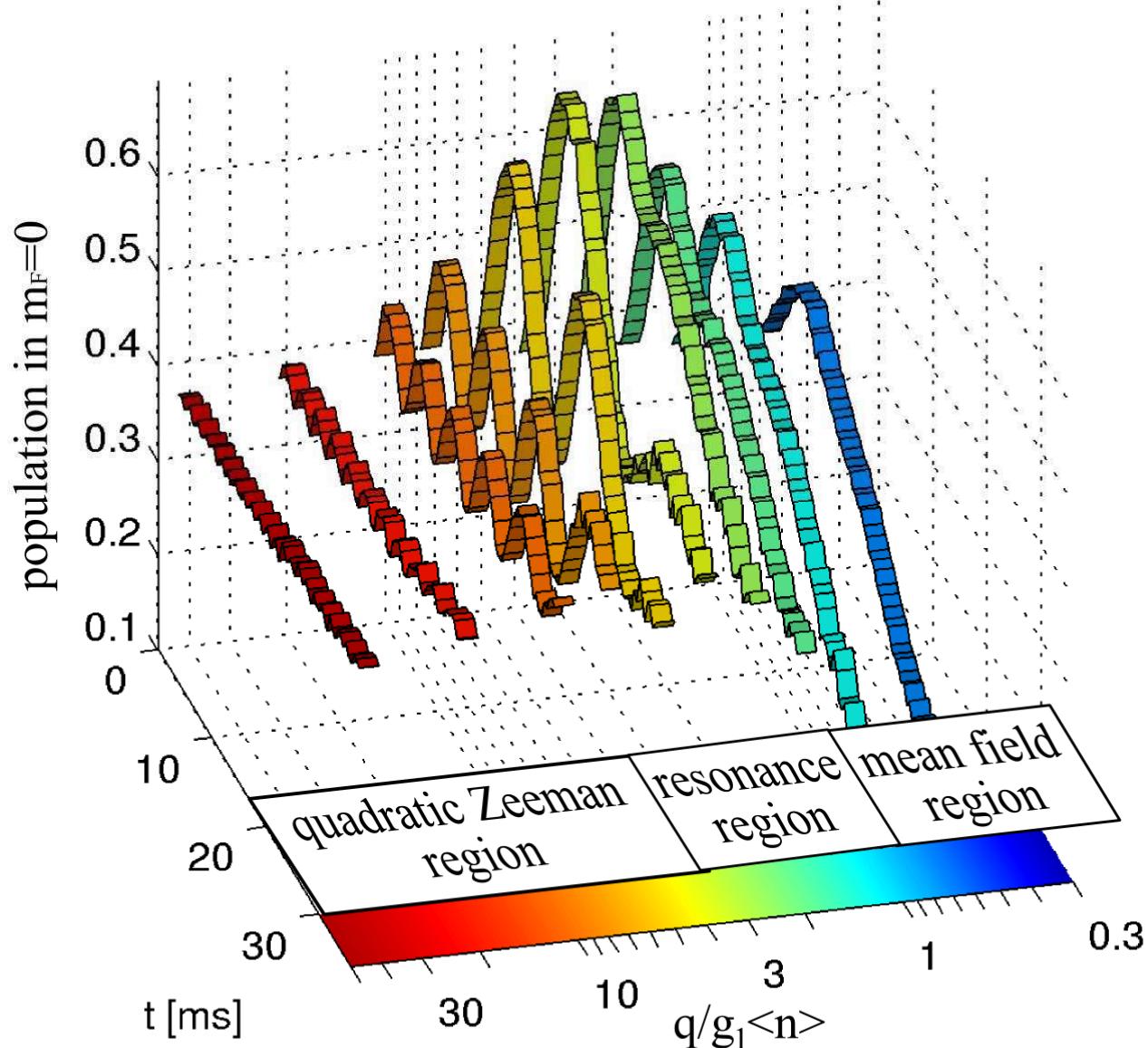
Quadr. Zeeman



energy $\sim B^2$
→ tunable!

Resonant Spinor Dynamics

J. Kronjäger et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **97**, 110404 (2006)

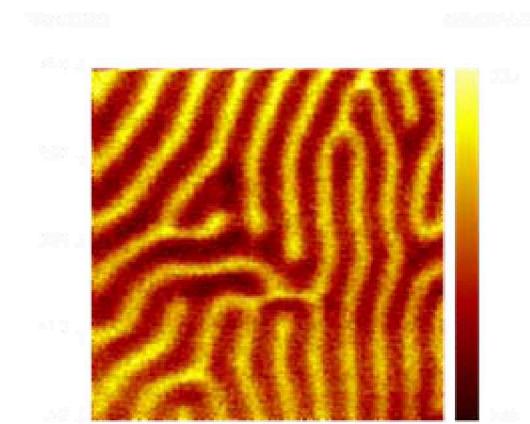
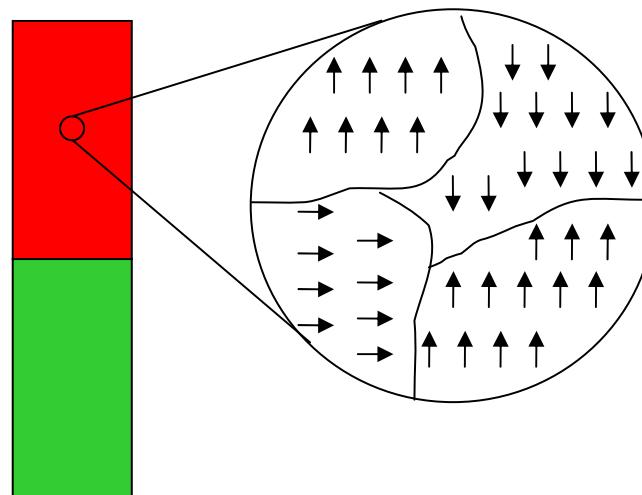


$F=1$ prediction of the resonance: W. Zhang et al., PRA 72, 013602 (2005)

$F=1$ observation of quadratic Zeeman regime: J. Kronjäger et al., Phys. Rev. A 73, 013629(2006)

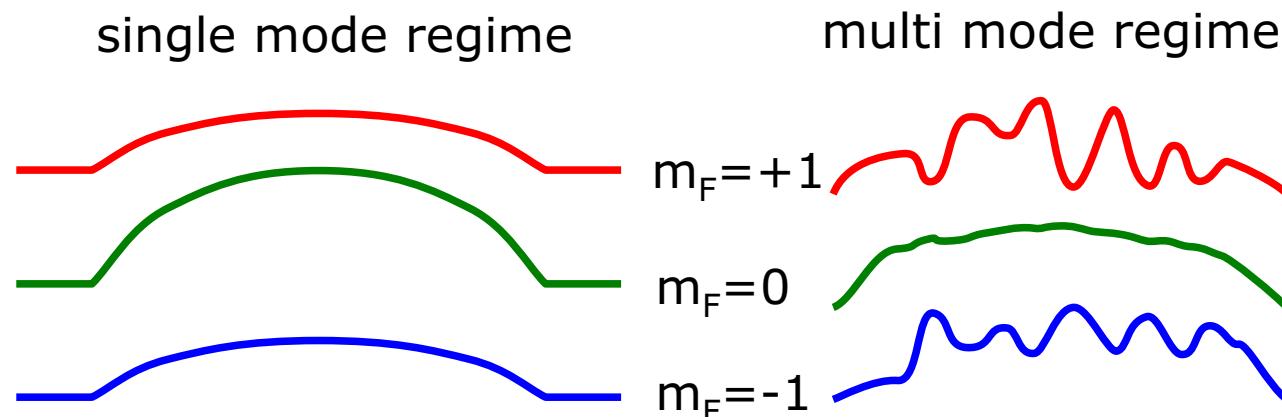
Multimode Phenomena ?

Condensed matter



http://www.kth.se/fakulteter/TFY/cmp/research/microscopy/scanning_examples.html#P5

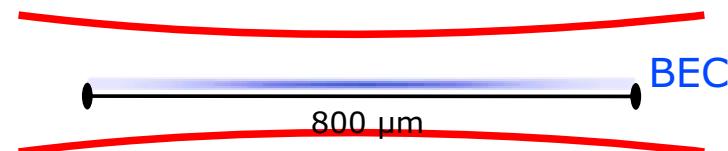
Spinor BEC



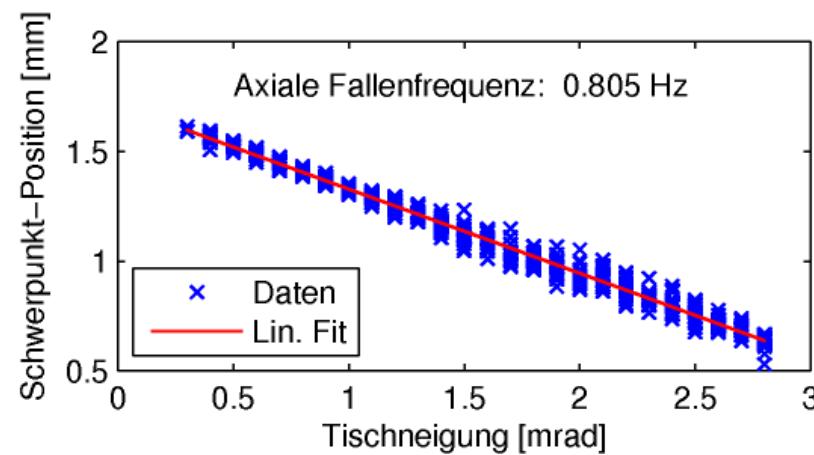
Elongated Bose-Einstein-Condensates

Single beam dipole trap

extremely elongated, quasi-1D BEC



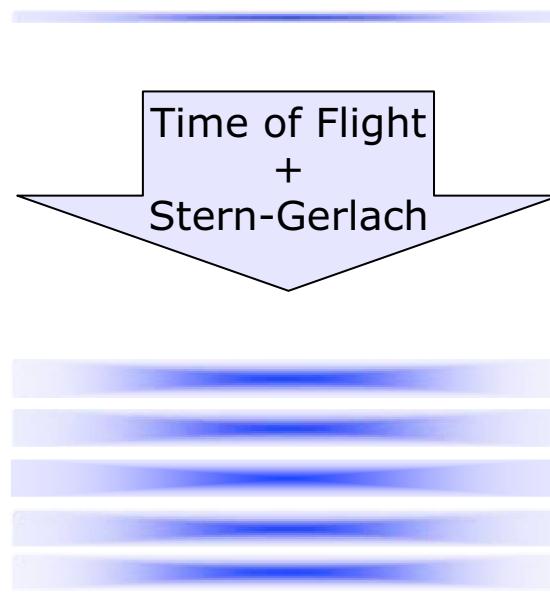
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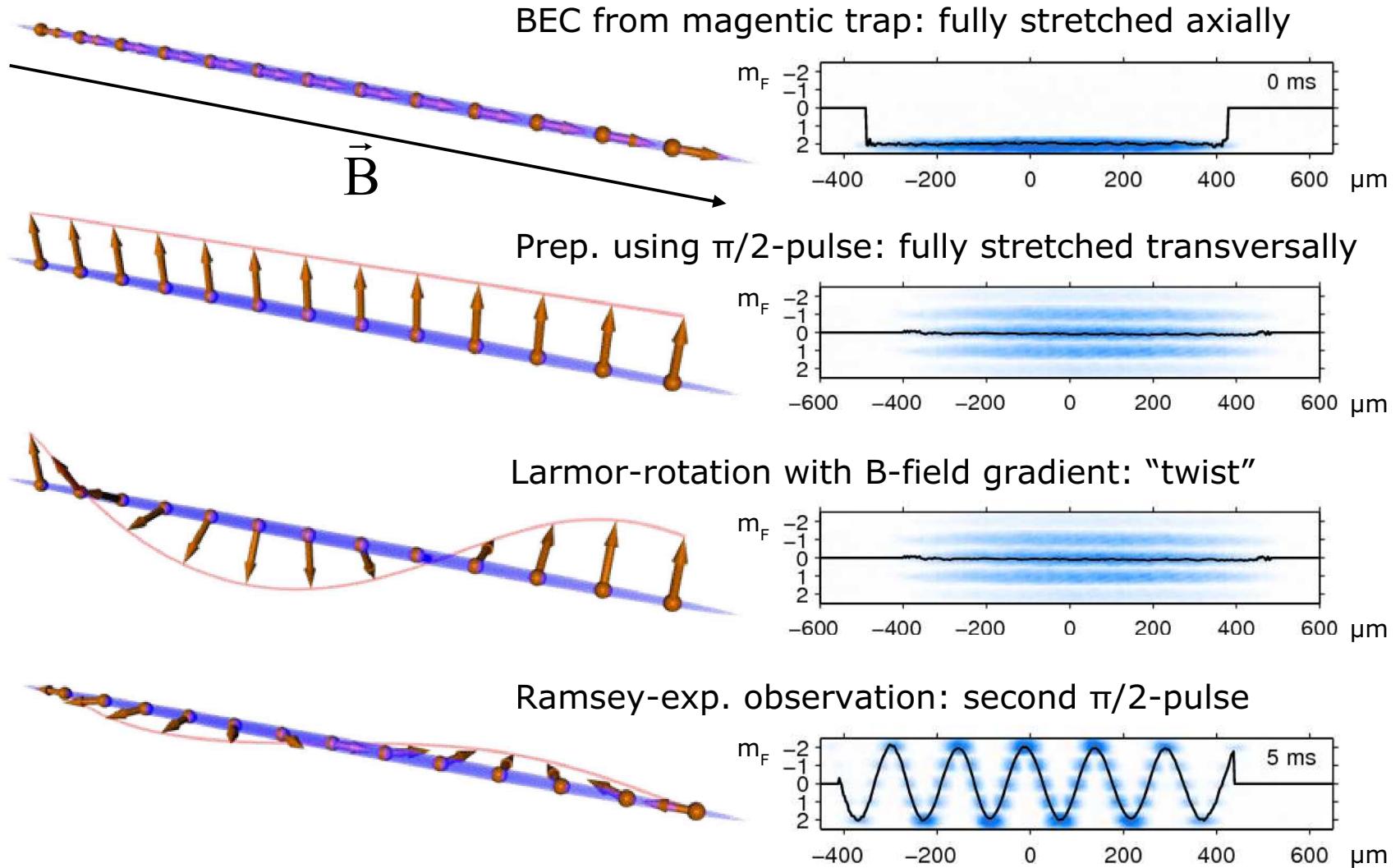
"atomic level"

Stern-Gerlach

TOF separation of the spin components perp. to long axis



Spatial Ramsey: Phase Twist

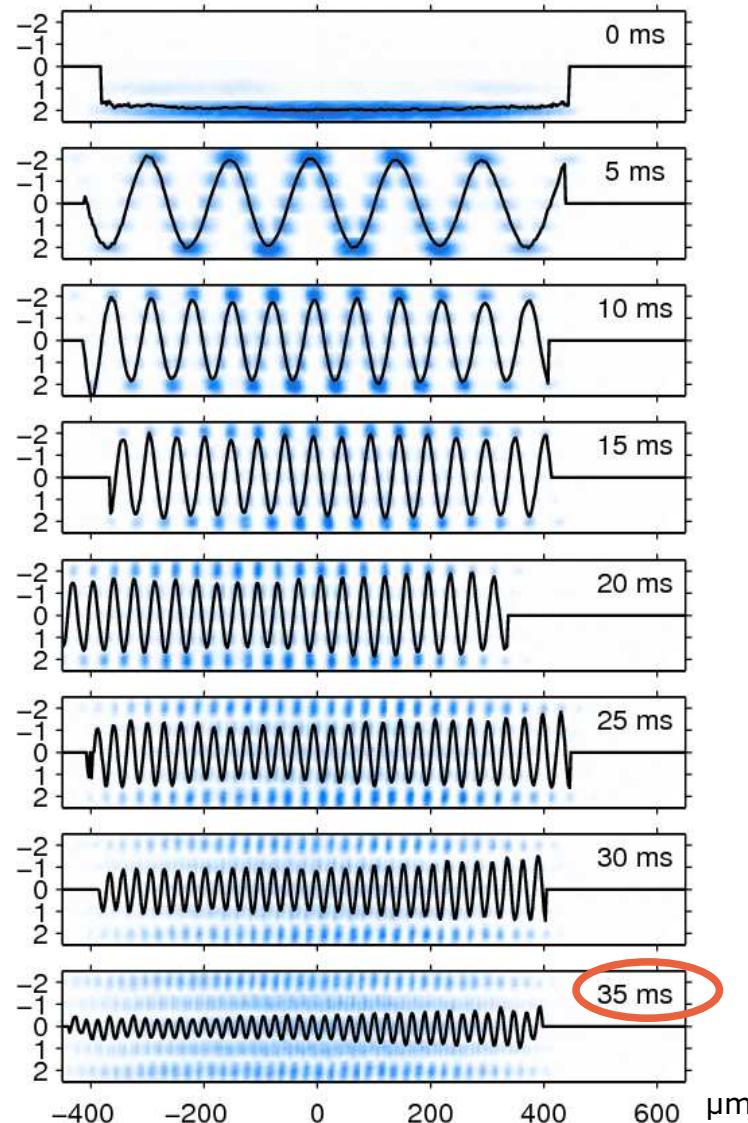


Compensation of Magnetic Field Gradients

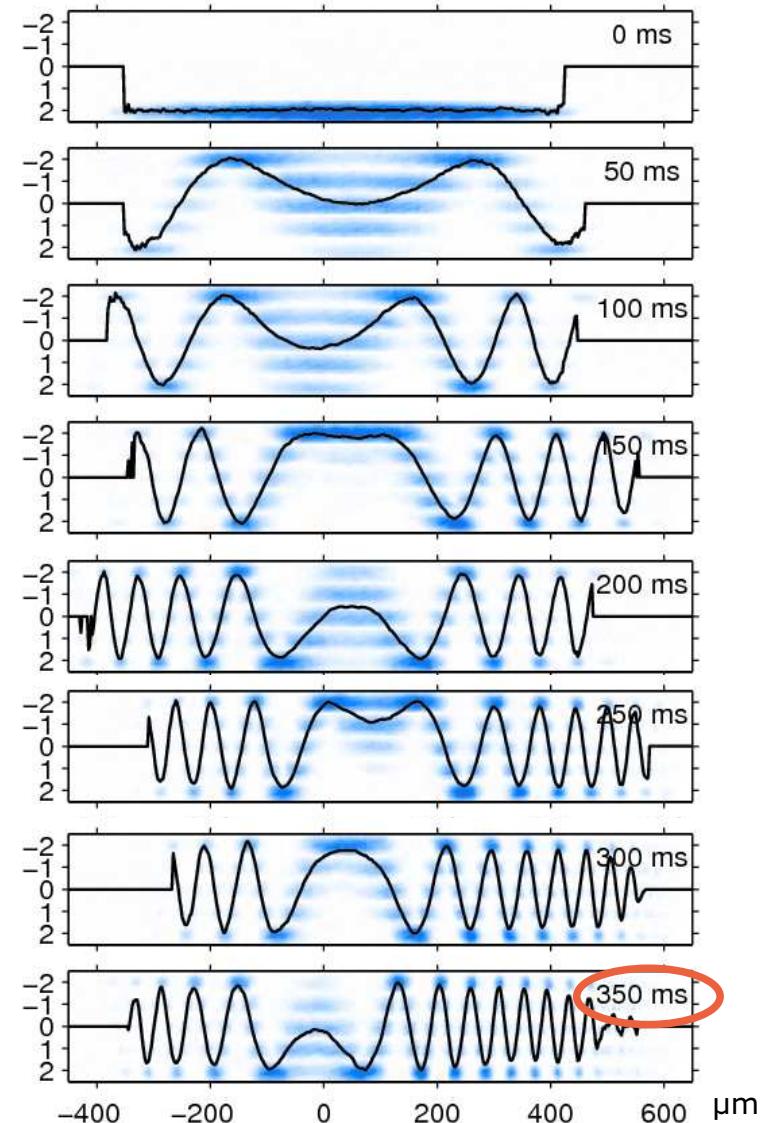
Gradient 1.9 mG/mm

Offset 82 mG

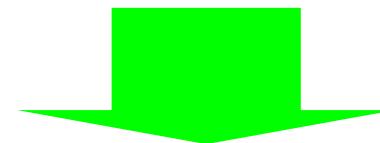
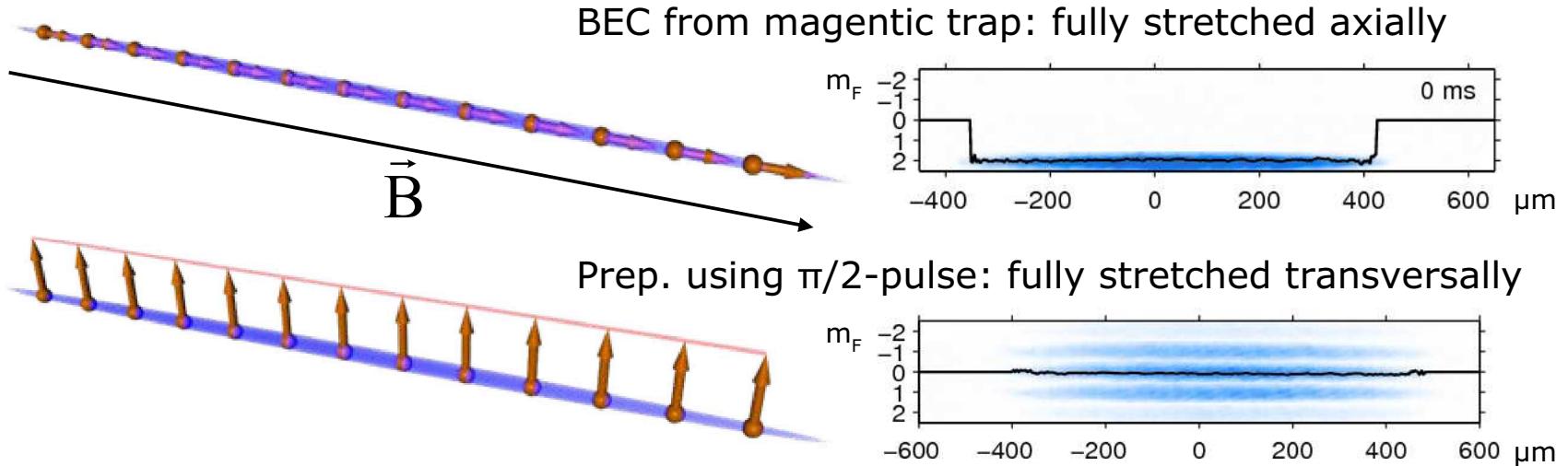
Relative 2.3% / mm



Zero gradient in trap centre
Curvature $\sim 0.25 \text{ mG/mm}^2$

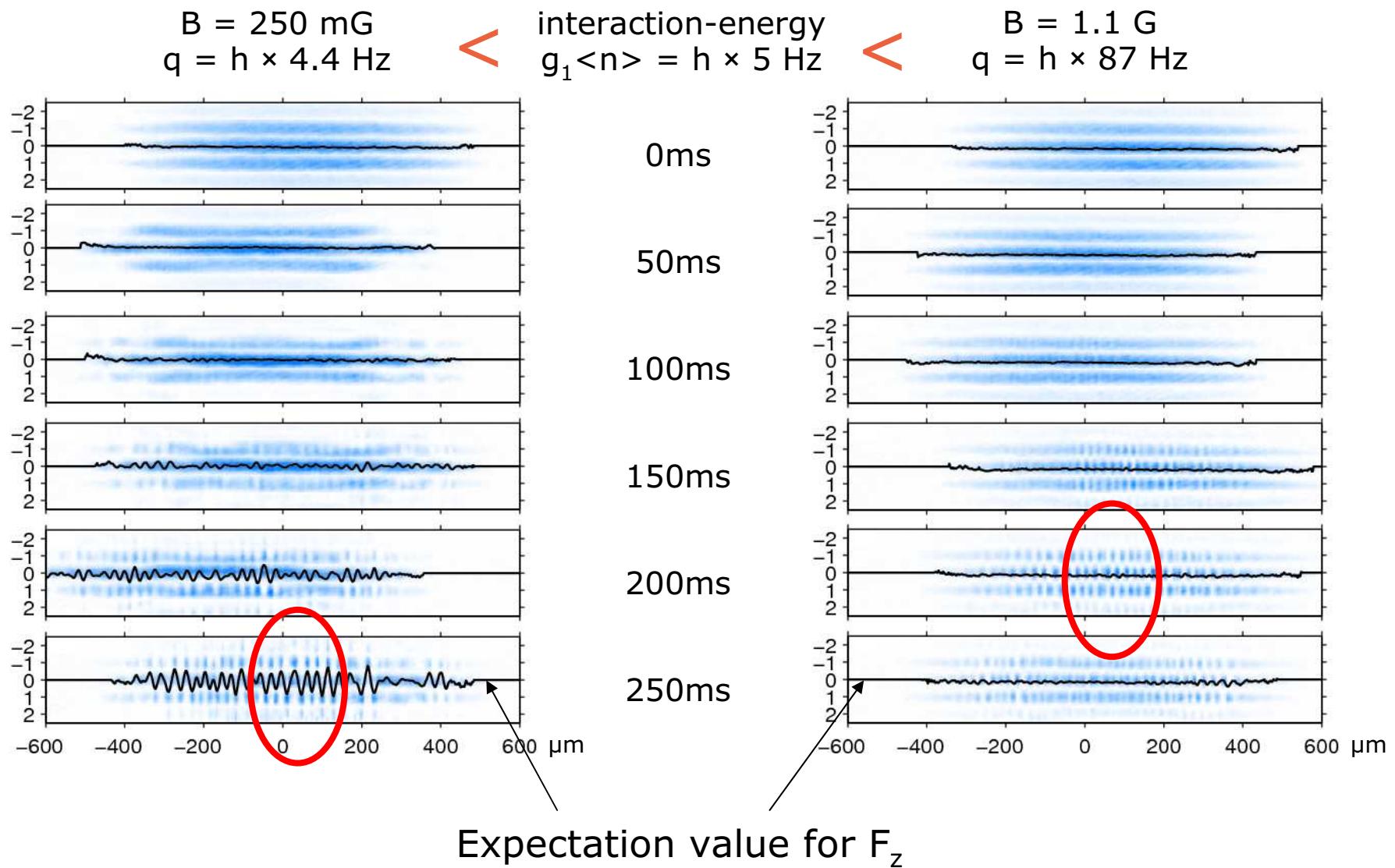


Local Dynamics in Magnetic Fields

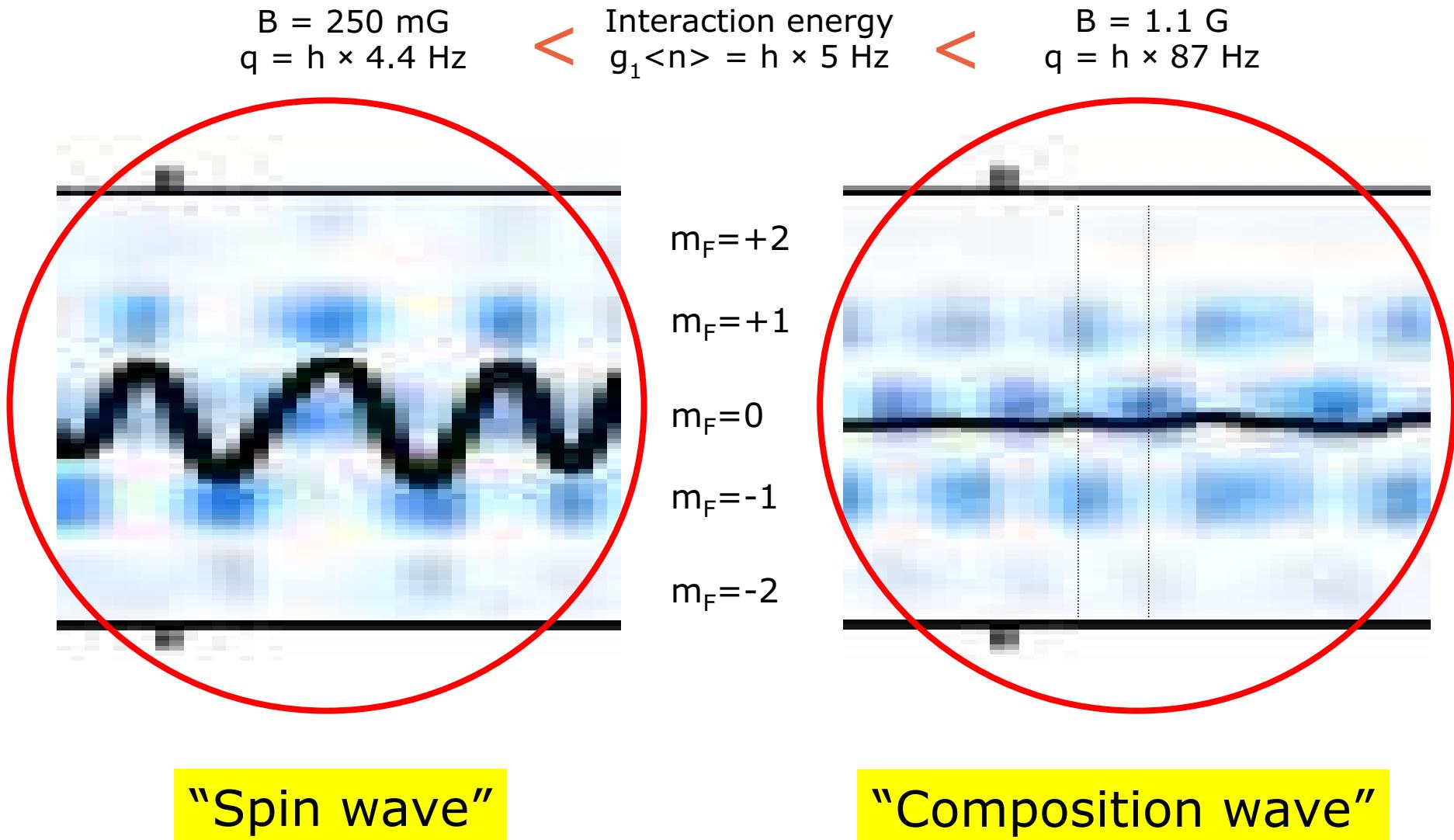


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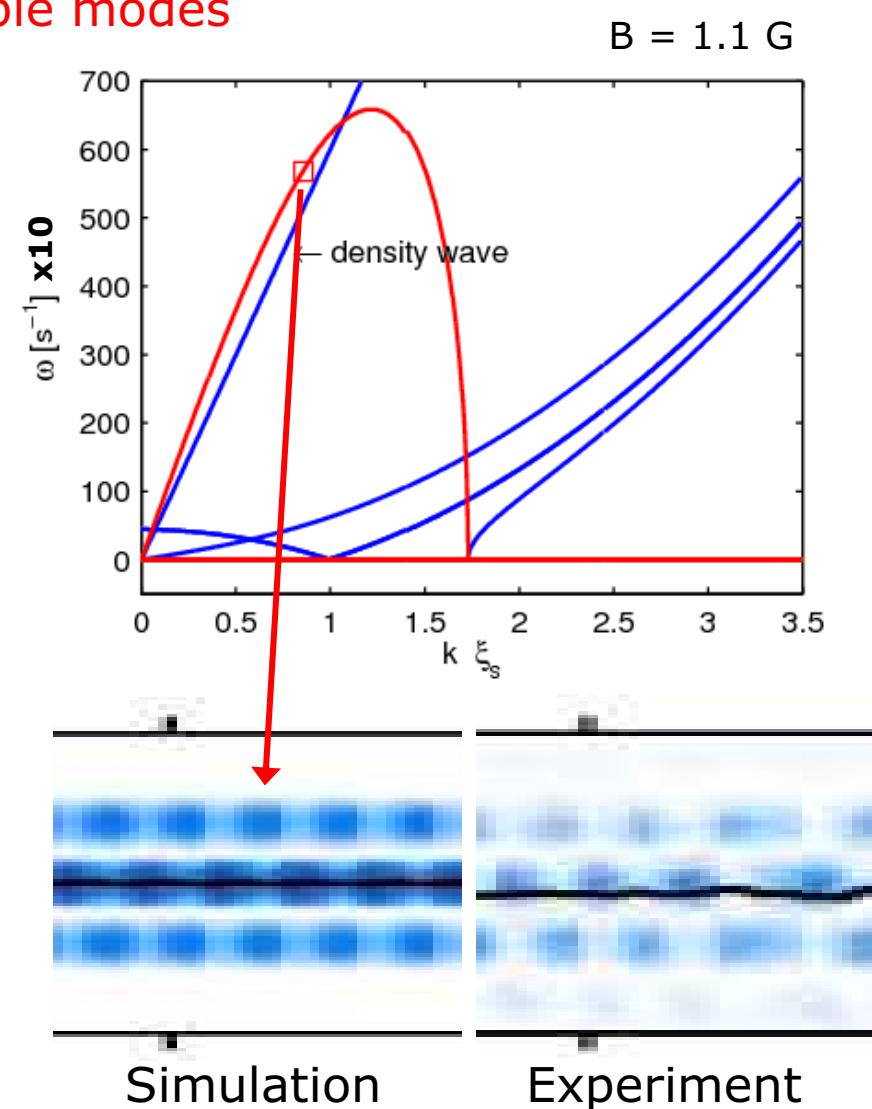
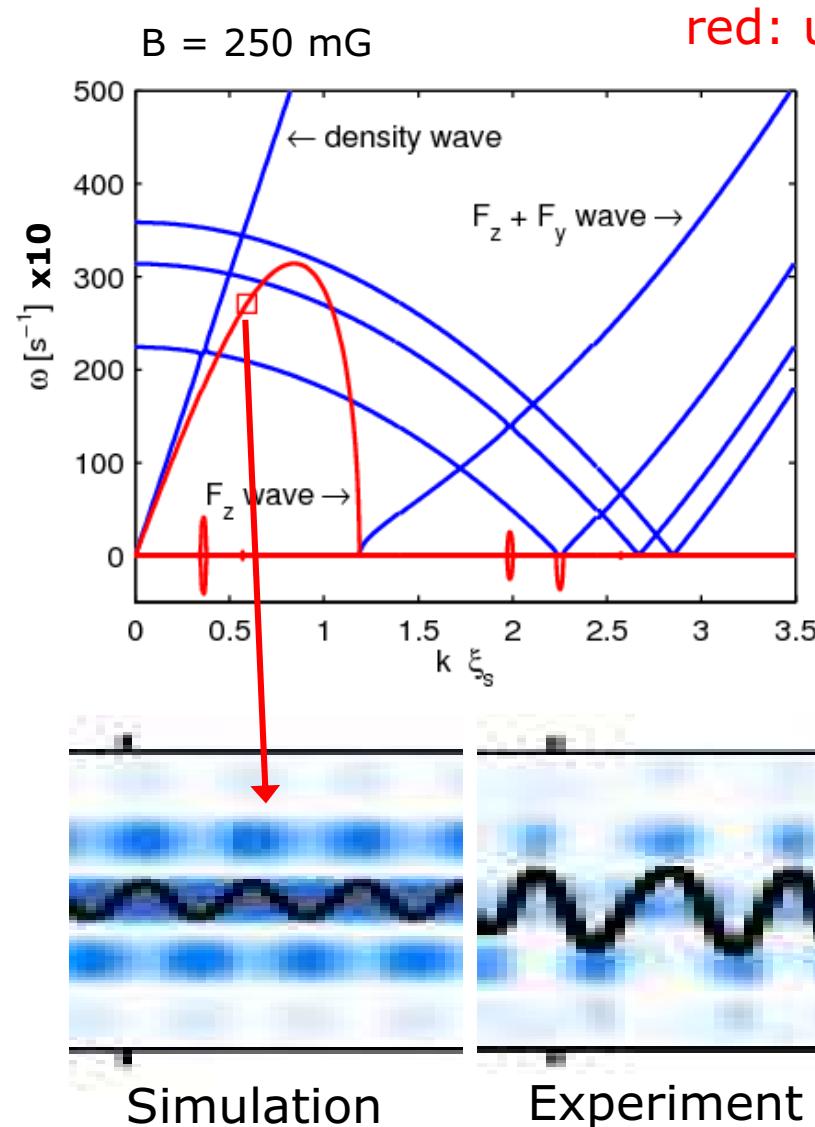
Spontaneous Pattern Formation!



Spontaneous Pattern Formation

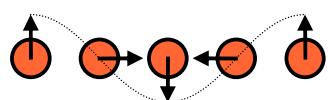
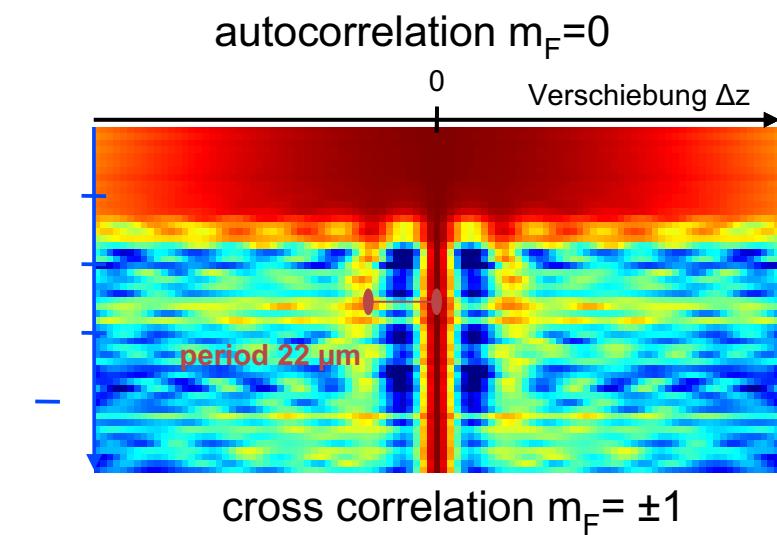
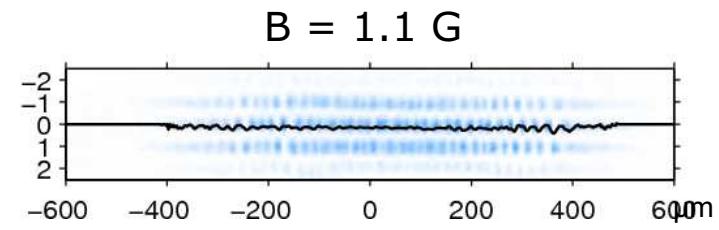
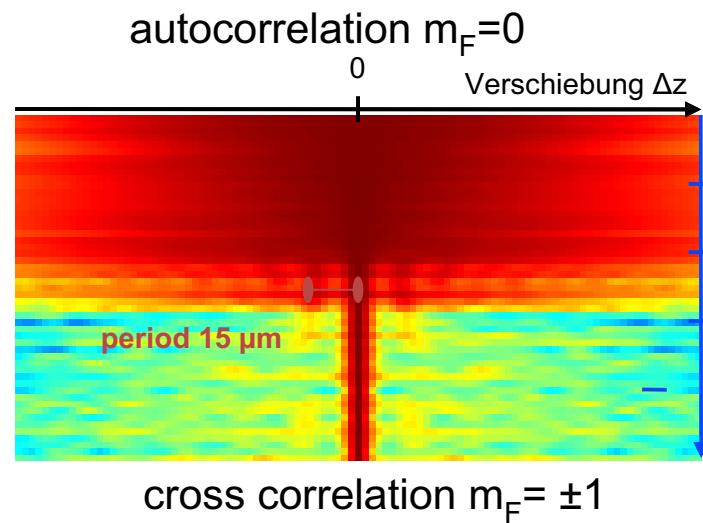
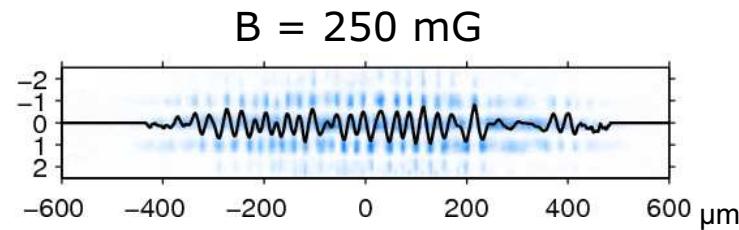


Bogoliubov-Simulation Dynamical Instability

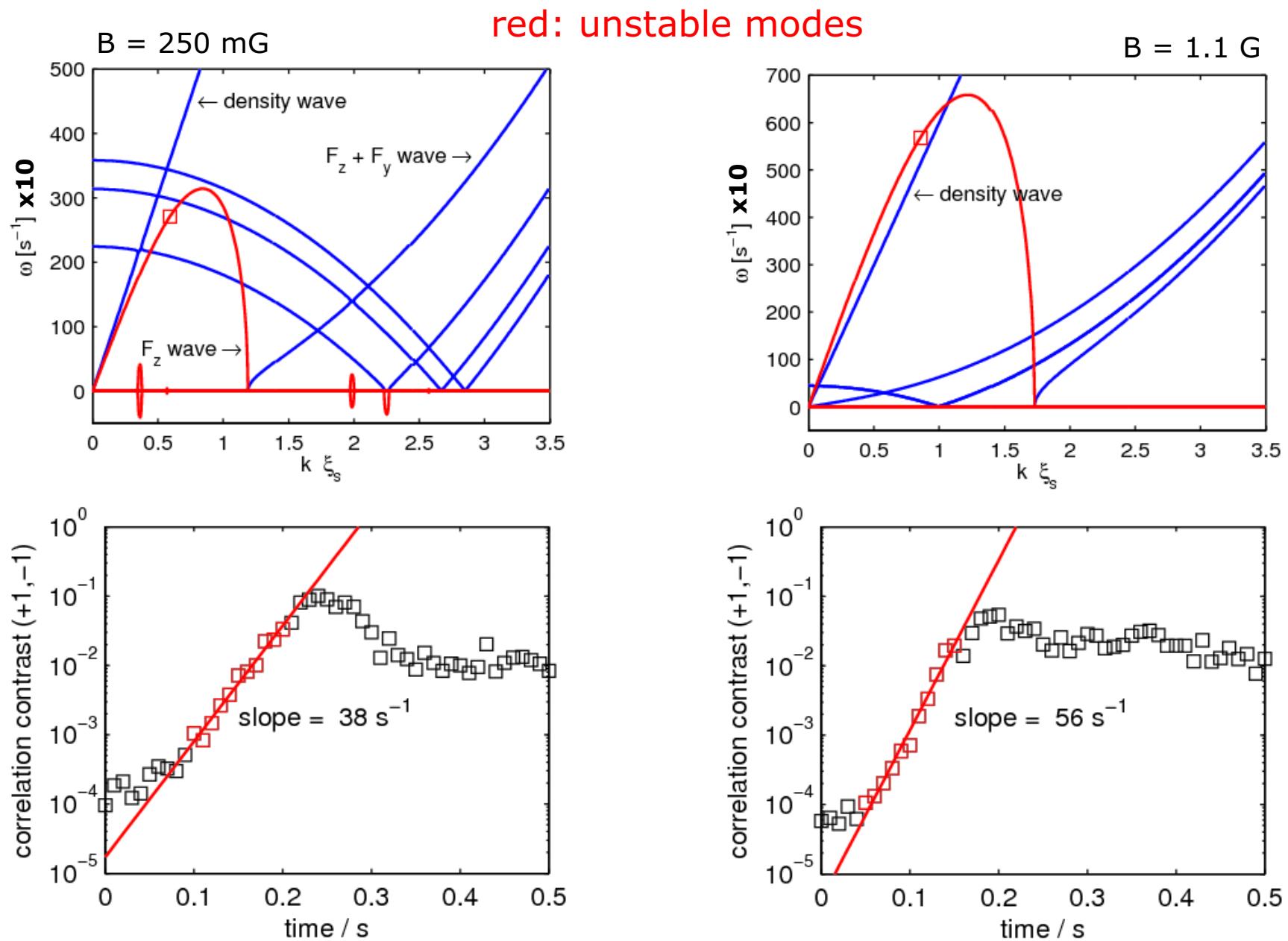


Qualitative agreement!

Spontaneous Pattern Formation - Correlations



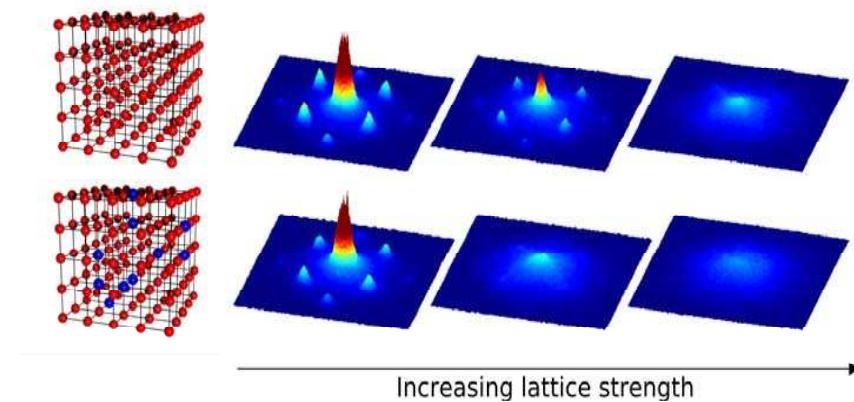
Timescales of Mode Buildup



Summary and Outlook

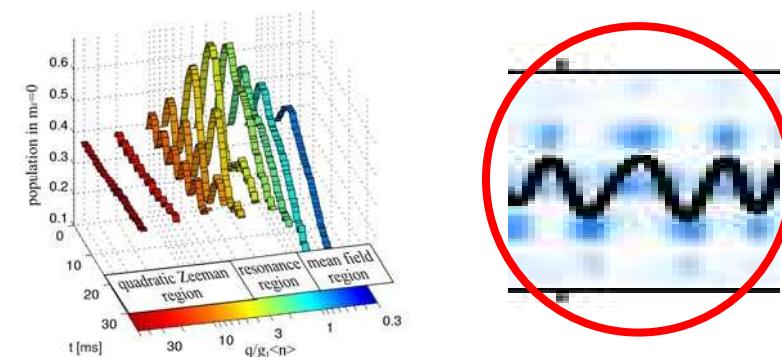
Correlations in Fermi-Bose mixtures in an optical lattice

- “mobile” impurities
- connections to disorder, polarons, composite fermions?
- finite temperature effects
- multi band effects
- excitations, mobilities
- Bosons as impurities for Fermions
- tuning of interactions
- ...



Correlations in Spinor Condensates

- resonance spin dynamics
- spontaneous pattern formation
- local chaos
- spins in optical lattices
- ...



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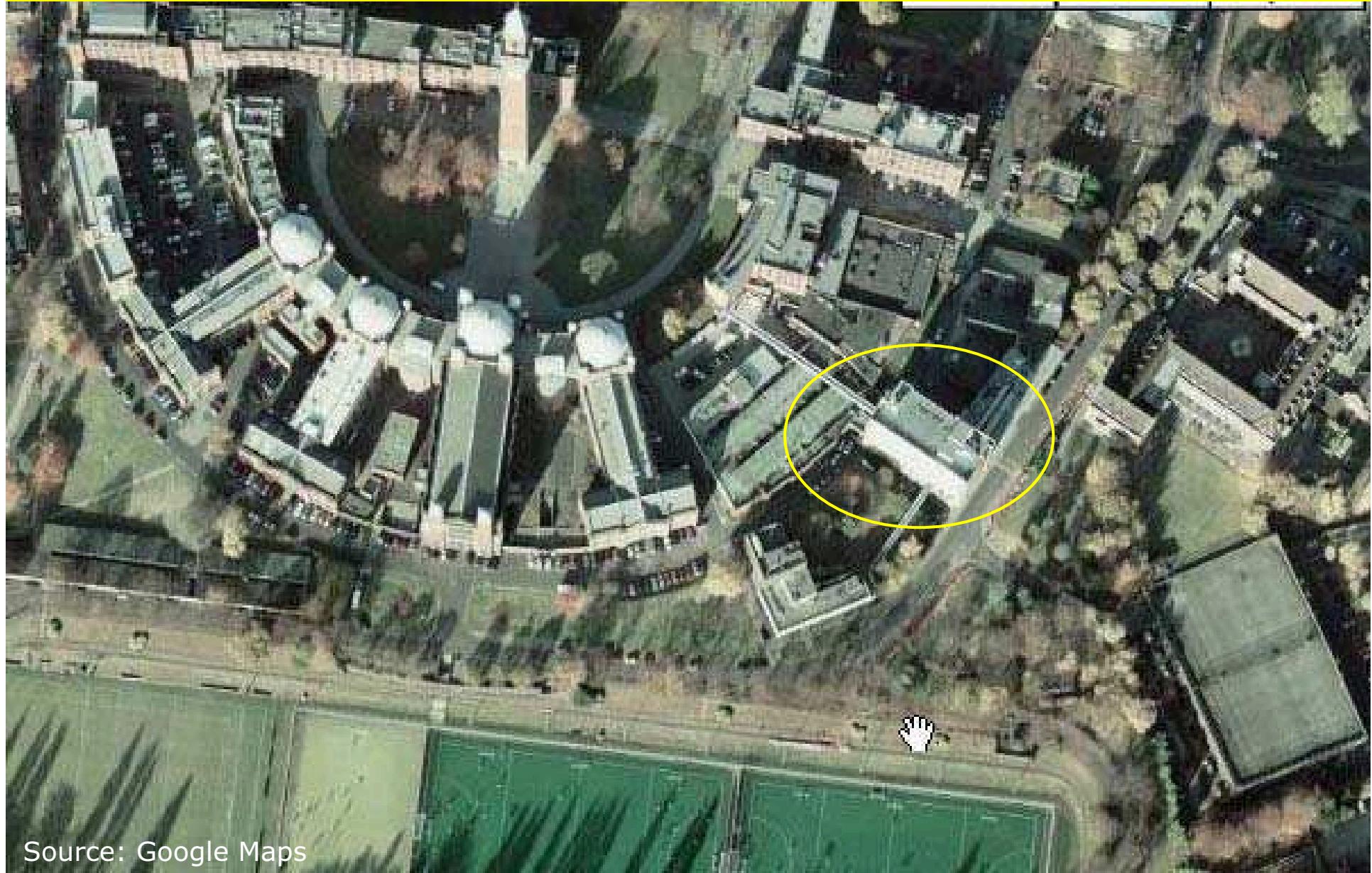
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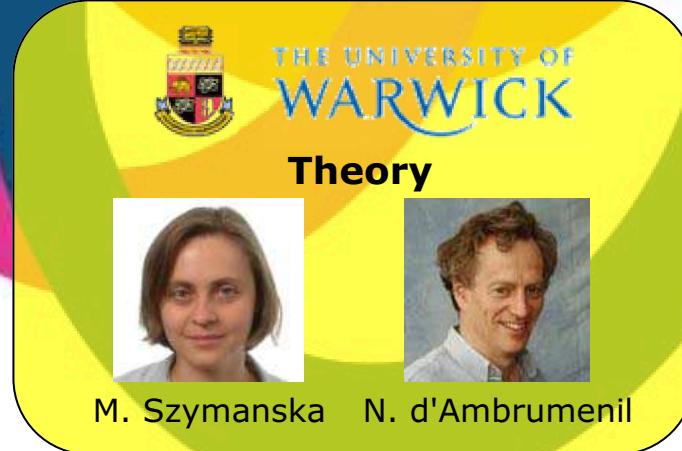
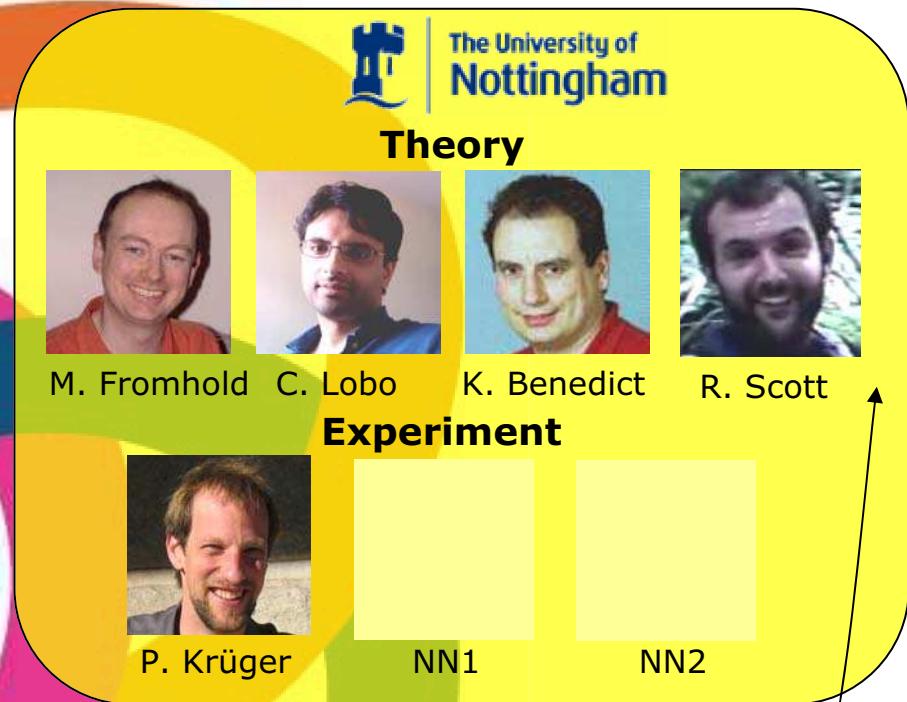
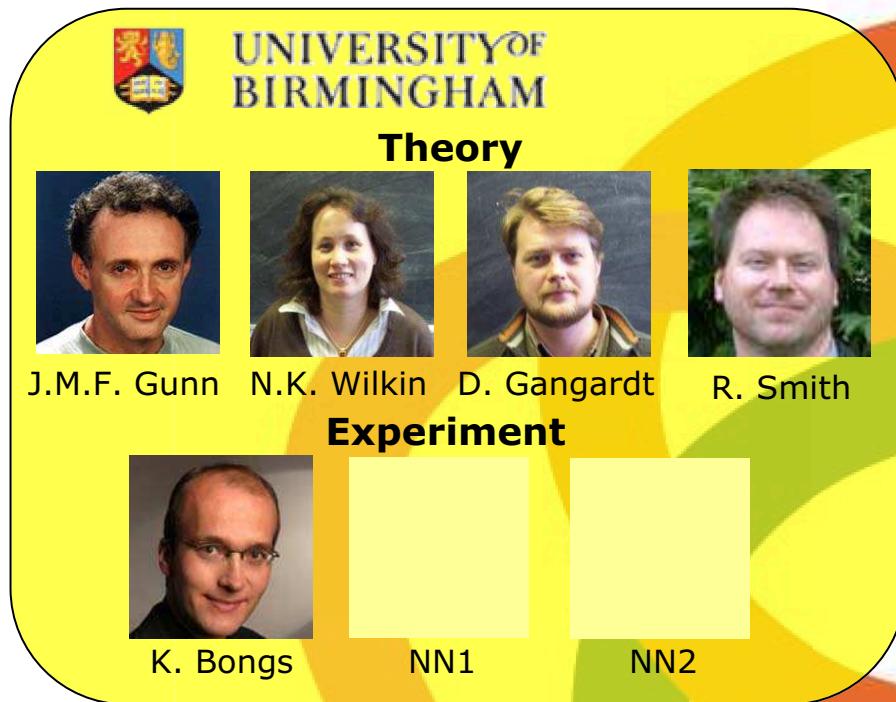
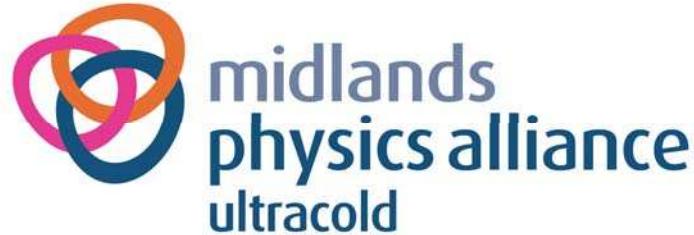
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