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Theory of dipolar gases

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Dipolar gases: Theory

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Nonlocal NLSE

•Stability

•Multidimensional bright solitons

•Vortex-lines in dipolar BEC

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In typical experiments up to now the atoms interact via <u>short-range isotropic</u> <u>interactions</u>

The interaction is given by <u>the s-wave scattering</u> <u>length "a"</u>





Lecture of Th. Lahaye





Dipolar gases: Tunability

The strength of the dipolar interaction can be tuned

[Giovanazzi *et al.*, PRL **89**, 130401 (2002)]



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"Usual" BEC: Gross-Pitaevskii equation



At low Temperatures the BEC physics is given by a nonlinear Schrödinger equation with local cubic nonlinearity



Dipolar BEC: Nonlocal nonlinearity

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Generally g(d) (shape resonances) [Yi & You, PRA **61**, 041604 (2000); Ronen et al., PRA **74**, 033611 (2006)] Close to the shape resonances the form of the pseudopotential must be in general corrected [Wang, arXiv:0704.3868]

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1D gases: Confinement-induced resonances

How atoms interact under constrained geometries? [M. Olshanii, PRL **81**, 938 (1998)]



[Bergeman, Moore and Olshanii, PRL 91, 163201 (2003)]

Confinement-induced resonances in 1D dipolar gases

How <u>dipolar</u> particles interact in 1D geometries?



$$\frac{-\hbar^{2}}{2m}\nabla^{2}\psi + \left[V_{trap}(\vec{r}) + V_{s-range}(\vec{r}) + V_{dip}(\vec{r})\right]\psi = 0$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^{2}}{2m}\frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}}\psi + \left[g_{1D}\delta(x) + V_{dip}^{1D}(x)\right]\psi = 0$$

 $V_{1d}(x) = \frac{2\alpha d^2}{a_{\perp}^3} \left[2 \left| \frac{x}{a_{\perp}} \right| - \sqrt{\pi} \left(1 + 2 \frac{x^2}{a_{\perp}^2} \right) e^{x^2 / a_{\perp}^2} \operatorname{erfc}\left[\left| \frac{x}{a_{\perp}} \right| \right] \right]$



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Dipolar gases. Homogeneous solution. Phonon instability

Homogeneous BEC

$$\Psi_0(\vec{r}) = \sqrt{n}e^{i\mu t}$$
 \overline{n}

Homogeneous BEC + Excitations Linearization : Bogoliubov analysis

$$\bigvee \quad \Psi(\vec{r}) = \left(\sqrt{\vec{r}}\right)$$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}) = \left(\sqrt{\overline{n}} + \sum_{\vec{k}} \begin{pmatrix} u_{\vec{k}}(\vec{r})e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}-i\varepsilon(\vec{k})t} \\ -v_{\vec{k}}(\vec{r})^* e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}+i\varepsilon(\vec{k})t} \end{pmatrix} \right) e^{i\mu t}$$

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Dipolar gases: phonon-roton spectrum

Dipoles (with $\beta > 0$) in a pancake trap l_z Average repulsive dipolar interaction l_z l_z

Phonon-instability is geometrically avoided



 $|\omega_{\rho}/\omega_z| < 0.41$

[Santos et al., PRL 85, 1791 (2000)]

Dipolar gases: Phonon-Roton spectrum



The dispersion law shows a roton for sufficiently large dipole-dipole interactions



The gas becomes eventually unstable when the roton touches zero

[O'Dell et al., PRL **90**, 110402 (2003); Santos et al., PRL **90**, 250403 (2003); Ronen et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **98**, 030406 (2007); Komineas and Cooper, Phys. Rev. A **75**, 023623 (2007)] •Introduction to dipolar gases

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Continuous solitons become unstable in 2D and 3D

[P. Pedri and L. Santos, PRL **95**, 150406 (2005)]



Stability condition $\frac{\alpha d^2}{3\sqrt{2\pi}} < 1 + \frac{g}{2(2\pi)^{3/2}} < \frac{-2\alpha d^2}{3\sqrt{2\pi}}$

Nonlocal nonlinearity. Multidimensional solitons

3D Analysis of the lowest-lying excitations





Nonlocal nonlinearity. Inelastic soliton scattering

[R. Nath, P. Pedri and L. Santos, PRA 76, 013606 (2007)]



The dipole-dipole interaction induces interlayer effects between fully disconnected layers

Purely dipolar soliton-soliton interlayer molecular potential



Nonlocal nonlinearity. 1D scattering



Nonlocal nonlinearity. 2D scattering

2D Scattering: Spiraling solitons

[Mitchell et al., Opt. Comm. **85**, 59 (1991); Shih et al., PRL **78**, 2551 (2000)]



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Vortices and vortex lines

Quantized vortices

[Onsager 1949; Feynman 1955]







[Matthews et al, PRL **83**, 2498 (1999); Madison et al., PRL **84**, 806 (2000); Raman et al., PRL **87**, 210402 (2001)]]

Vortices and vortex lines





Vortex lines





Vortex lines can have transverse vibration modes like a string



Kelvin modes

[Pitaevskii, JETP 13, 451 (1961)]

$$E(k) = -k^2 \ln k\xi$$

[V. Bretin et al, PRL 90, 100403 (2003)]



[M. Klawunn, R. Nath, P. Pedri and L. Santos, arXiv:0707.0441]

Vortices and vortex lattices in dipolar gases: [N.R. Cooper, E.H. Rezayi, and S.H. Simon, PRL **95**, 200402 (2005); Zhang and Zhai, Phys. Rev. Lett. 95,200403 (2005); Yi and Pu, PRA 73, 061602 (2006); O'Dell and Eberlein, PRA **75**, 013604 (2007); Komineas and Cooper, Phys. Rev. A **75**, 023623 (2007)]

What is special with vortex lines in dipolar condensates ??

> How are the Kelvin modes in dipolar BEC ??



Vortex lines in dipolar gases: additional optical lattice

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\Psi = \begin{cases} -\frac{\hbar^2\nabla^2}{2m} + g|\Psi(\vec{r})|^2 \\ +\int d\vec{r}'|\Psi(\vec{r}')|^2 V_d(\vec{r}-\vec{r}') \end{cases} \Psi(\vec{r})$$

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$$\Psi_{0}(\vec{r},t) = \Psi_{0}(\rho) e^{i\phi} e^{-i\mu t/\hbar}$$
$$\mu \Psi_{0}(\rho) = \left\{ \frac{-\hbar^{2}}{2m} \nabla_{\rho}^{2} + \frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m\rho^{2}} + g \left(1 - \frac{\beta}{2}\right) |\Psi_{0}(\rho)|^{2} \right\} \Psi_{0}(\rho)$$



$$\begin{split} \hline g_{eff} &= g \bigg(1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \bigg) \\ \xi_{eff} &\propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{eff} n}} \end{split}$$

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The dependence of the vortex core on the dipole strength depends on the dimensionality



The vortex core depends on the trap geometry

Kelvin modes: Bogoliubov analysis



$$\Psi_0(\vec{r},t) = \left[\psi_0(\rho) + \sum_k \left(u_k(\rho)e^{-iE_kt/\hbar}e^{iqz}e^{i\phi} - v_k^*(\rho)e^{iE_kt/\hbar}e^{-iqz}e^{-i\phi}\right)\right]e^{i\phi}e^{-i\mu t/\hbar}$$

Bogoliubov-de Gennes equations

$$\begin{aligned} E_{q}u_{q}(\rho) &= \left[-\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m} \nabla_{\rho}^{2} + \frac{2\hbar^{2}}{m\rho^{2}} + \frac{\hbar^{2}q^{2}}{2m^{*}} + g_{eff}\psi_{0}(\rho)^{2} - \mu \right] u_{q}(\rho) \\ &- g_{eff}\psi_{0}(\rho)^{2}v_{q}(\rho) \\ &+ 4\pi q^{2}g_{d}\int_{0}^{\infty} d\rho'\rho'\psi_{0}(\rho')\psi_{0}(\rho) \left[u_{q}(\rho') - v_{q}(\rho') \right] F(q,\rho,\rho') \\ &F(q,\rho,\rho') &= \begin{cases} I_{1}(q\rho')K_{1}(q\rho) & \rho' < \rho \\ I_{1}(q\rho)K_{1}(q\rho') & \rho' > \rho \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

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Kelvin modes in dipolar gases



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Vortex lines: Dipole-induced ,,rigidity"

 $\beta > 0$ The bending increases Attractive the DDI interaction V_d Repulsive interaction The dipole-dipole interaction 1.5 makes the vortex line $\mathfrak{h}(b)$ 3 more rigid 0.5 0 0.5 0 1 qξ

Vortex lines: Dipole-induced ,,softness"



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Vortex lines: Kelvon-roton spectrum



Vortex lines: Kelvon-roton instability





Phonon-Roton vs Kelvon-Roton



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Transversal excitations of the nodal plane increase the dipolar energy







- 1D Dipolar gases: modified CIR
- Stable inelastic 2D bright solitons
- Unstable transverse excitations of straight vortex-lines
- Stable dark nodal planes

Dipolar gases: Rich new physics



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