

STRONGLY INTERACTING PARTICLES IN ONE DIMENSION

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- Few-body physics in many-body systems
- New topics in few-body physics



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We look forward to seeing you
in Aarhus in August 2016!

A ‘SIMPLE’ QUESTION

How many is ‘many’ really?

AN ANSWER?

Subitizing

Kaufman, E.L., Lord, M.W., Reese, T.W., & Volkmann, J. (1949). "The discrimination of visual number". *American Journal of Psychology* (The American Journal of Psychology) 62 (4): 498–525

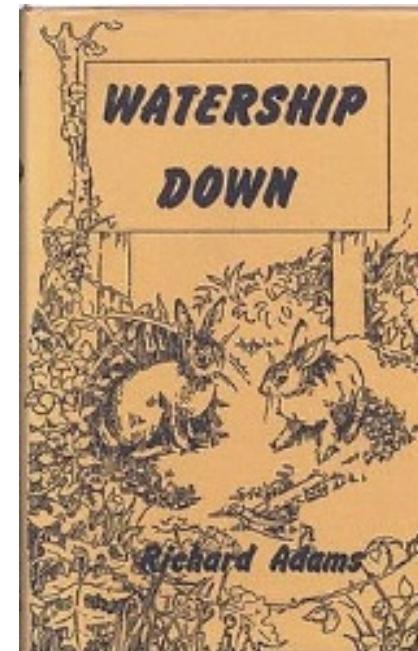


Counting or subitizing?

"Subitizing" by Nevit Dilmen, Wikipedia
(Thanks to Jose D'Incao for pointing this out)

Source: Wikipedia

Richard Adams novel 1972



Rabbits cannot count beyond four so five is like a thousand ('infinity')

FIVE IS DIFFERENT!

Nathan L Harshman

One-Dimensional Traps, Two-Body Interactions, Few-Body Symmetries: I.
One, Two, and Three Particles

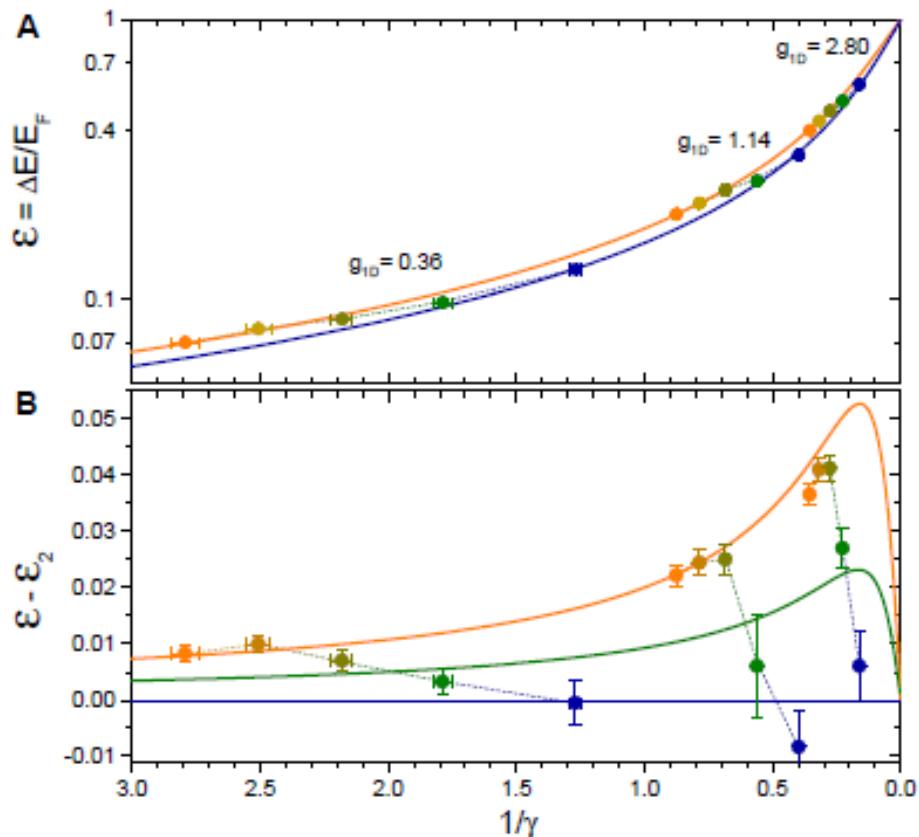
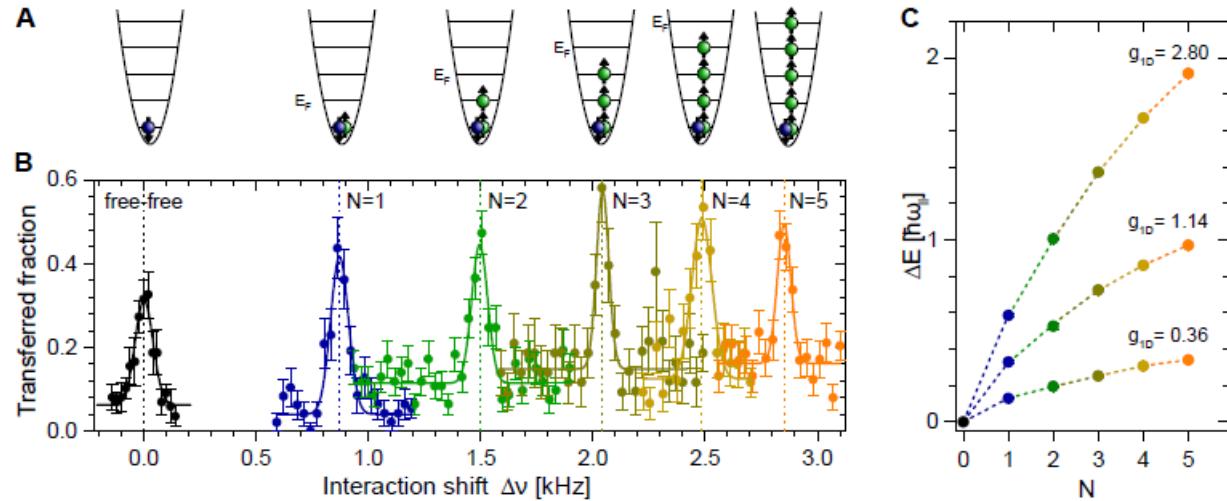
Few-Body Systems 57, 11-43 (2015)

One-Dimensional Traps, Two-Body Interactions, Few-Body Symmetries: II.
N particles

Few-Body Systems 57, 45-69 (2015)

For more than four particles, the general case requires a solution of a degree five polynomial equation – no root formulas!

Selim Jochim experiments in Heidelberg.



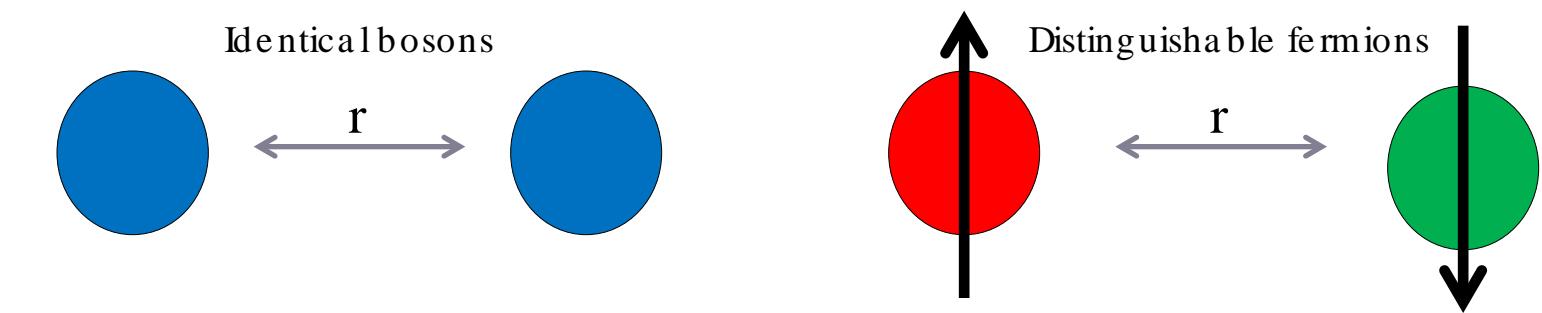
From Few to Many: Observing the Formation of a Fermi Sea One Atom at a Time

A. N. Wenz *et al.*, Science 342, 457 (2013)

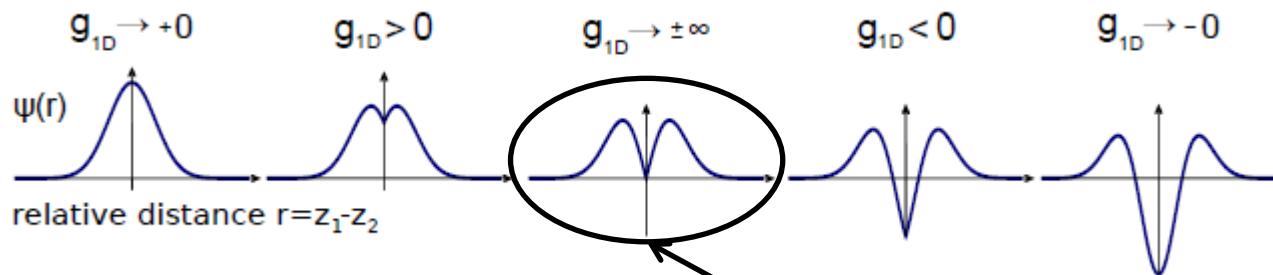
Green solid line from
S.E. Gharashi, K.M. Daily, and D. Blume, Phys.
Rev. A 86, 042702 (2012).

Orange ‘many-body’ line
J.B. McGuire, J. Math. Phys. 6, 432 (1965).
G.E. Astrakharchik and I. Brouzos, Phys. Rev. A 88, 021602 (2013).

A ONE DIMENSIONAL WORLD



Relative wave function



Interaction
 $g_{1D} \delta(r)$

Source : G. Zürn, thesis

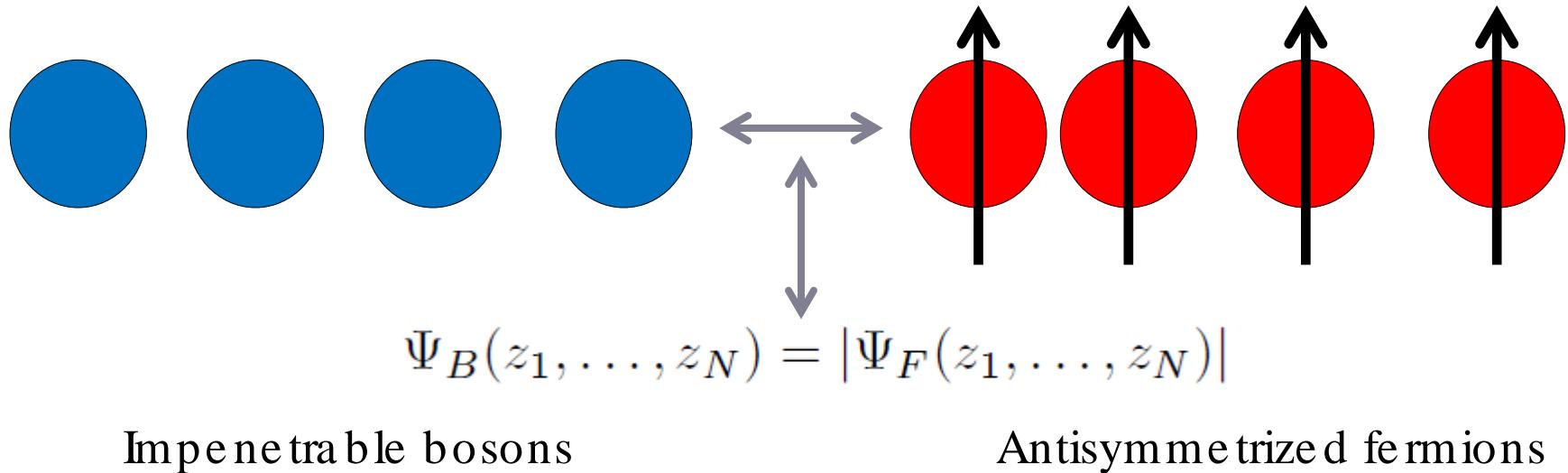
Strong interactions \rightarrow Impenetrability!

STRONGLY INTERACTING BOSONS

$|g_{1D}| \rightarrow \infty$ limit

Tonks (1936)-Girardeau (1960) gas
of impenetrable bosons

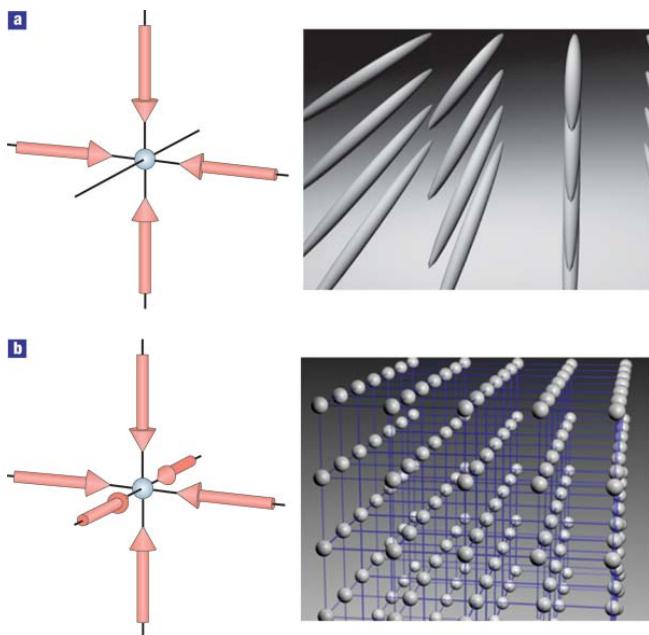
Mapping identical bosons to spin-polarized fermions. Girardeau (1960).



Lieb-Liniger (1963) used Bethe ansatz to solve N boson problem for any $g > 0$

EXPERIMENTAL REALIZATION

Optical lattices



I. Bloch, Nature Physics **1**, 23 (2005)

Confinement-induced resonances

Maxim Olshanii
Phys. Rev. Lett. **81**, 938 (1998)

$$g_{1D} = \frac{2\hbar^2 a_{3D}}{ma_{\perp}^2} \frac{1}{1 - Ca_{3D}/a_{\perp}}$$

Divergent at specific point depending on
lattice and 3D Feshbach resonance

EXPERIMENTAL REALIZATION

Tonks-Girardeau gas of ultracold atoms in an optical lattice

Belén Paredes¹, Artur Widera^{1,2,3}, Valentin Murg¹, Olaf Mandel^{1,2,3},
Simon Fölling^{1,2,3}, Ignacio Cirac¹, Gora V. Shlyapnikov⁴,
Theodor W. Hänsch^{1,2} & Immanuel Bloch^{1,2,3}

Nature **429**, 277 (2004)

Observation of a One-Dimensional Tonks-Girardeau Gas

Toshiya Kinoshita, Trevor Wenger, David S. Weiss*

Science **305**, 1125 (2004)

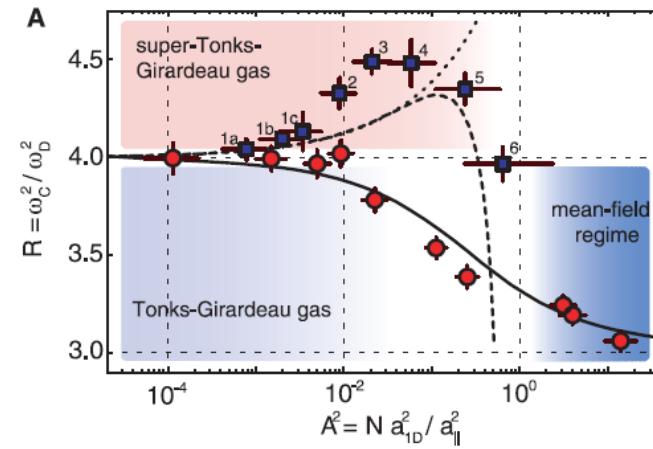
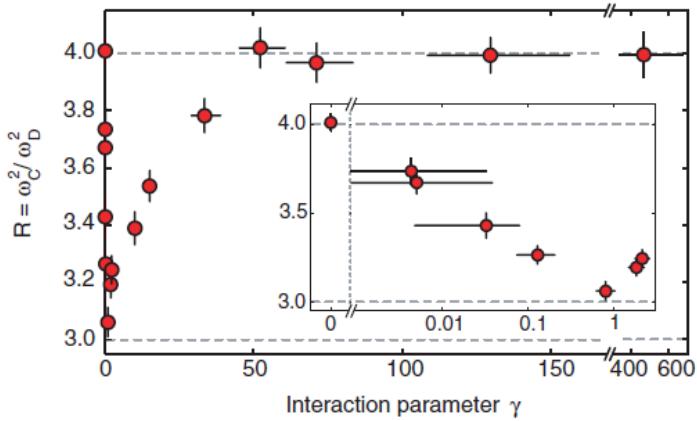
Experimentally produced and probed the Tonks-Girardeau gas on the repulsive side $g>0$

EXPERIMENTAL REALIZATION

Realization of an Excited, Strongly Correlated Quantum Gas Phase

Elmar Haller,¹ Mattias Gustavsson,¹ Manfred J. Mark,¹ Johann G. Danzl,¹ Russell Hart,¹
Guido Pupillo,^{2,3} Hanns-Christoph Nägerl^{1*}

Science **325**, 1224 (2009)

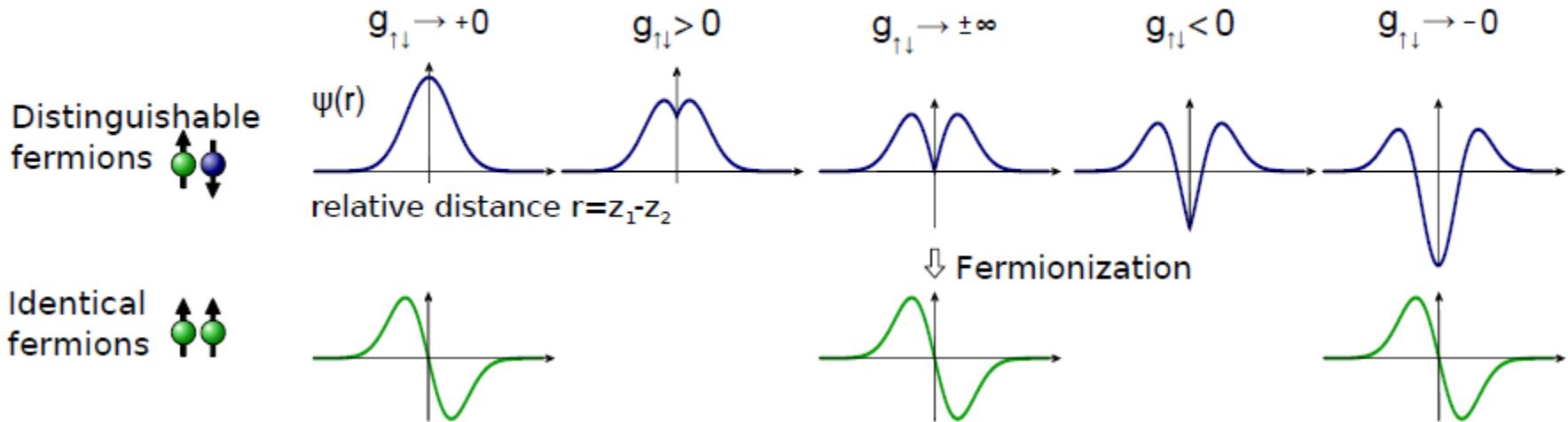


Study of the crossover from $g > 0$ to $g < 0$ in the strongly-interacting regime.

1D FERMIONS – A FRONTIER

Two kinds of relative motion for two-body states!

(a) Relative wave function



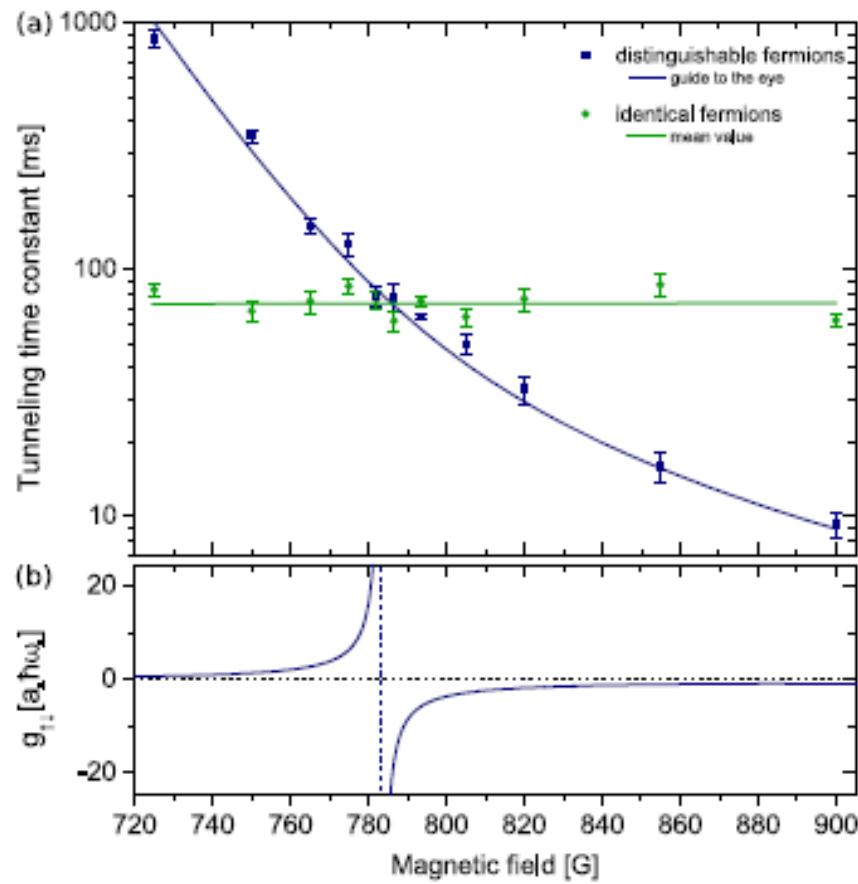
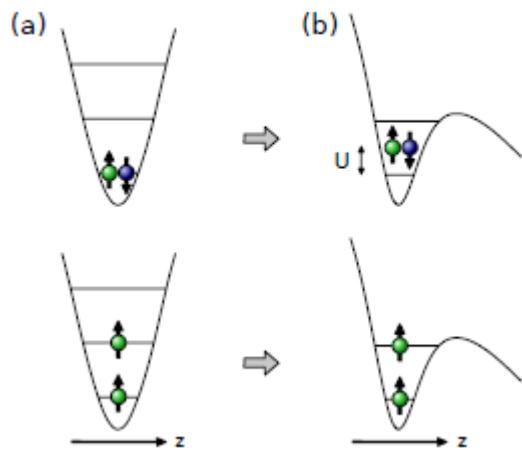
Source : G. Züm, thesis

Fermionization of two fermions in a 1D harmonic trap:

G. Züm *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **108**, 075303 (2012).

EXPERIMENTAL REALIZATION

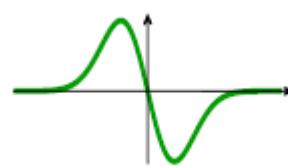
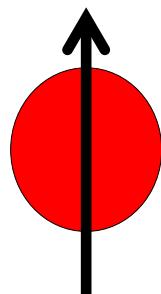
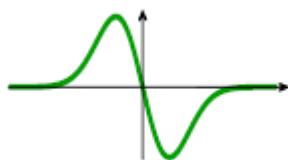
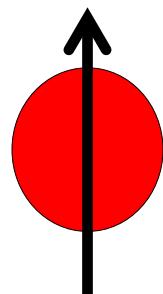
Two-body tunneling experiments



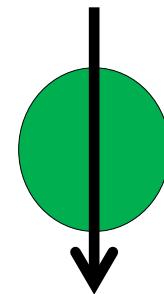
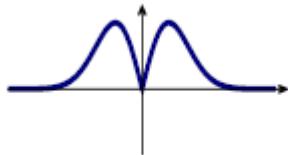
Fermionization of two fermions in a 1D harmonic trap:
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STRONGLY INTERACTING FERMIONS

Relative wave functions. What should we take?



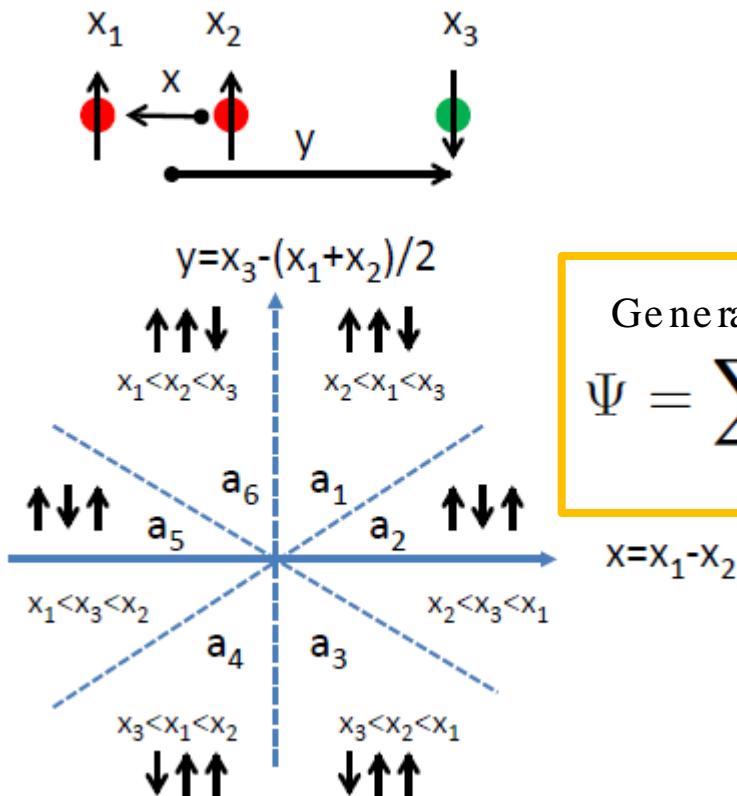
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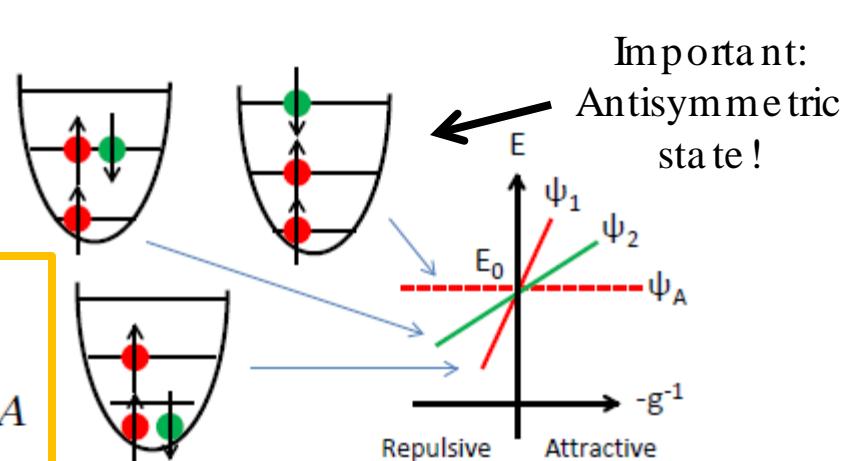
Keep an open mind and let the problem work itself out!

THREE FERMIONS - SOLUTION

Split space in patches



Spectrum on resonance



General solution

$$\Psi = \sum_i a_i \Psi_A$$

Optimize derivative!

$$K = -\frac{\partial E}{\partial g^{-1}} = g^2 \frac{\sum_{ij} \int \prod_{k=1}^N dx_k |\Psi|^2 \delta(x_i - x_j)}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle}$$

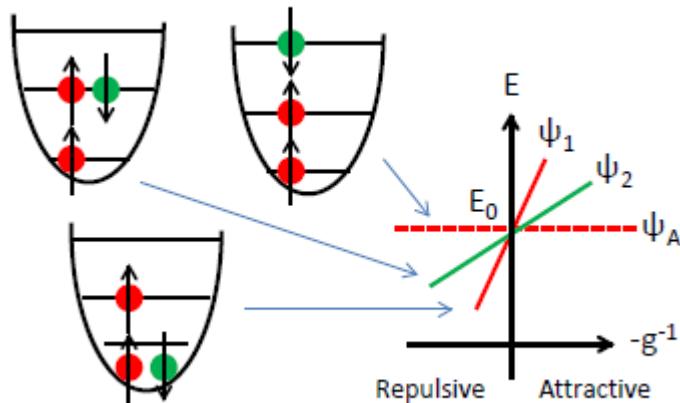
Pauli and parity reduces problem to a_1, a_2 , and a_3 .

THREE FERMIONS - SOLUTION

$$K = \frac{27}{8\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{(a_1 - a_2)^2 + (a_2 - a_3)^2}{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}$$

$a_1 = a_2 = a_3$ Non-interacting state

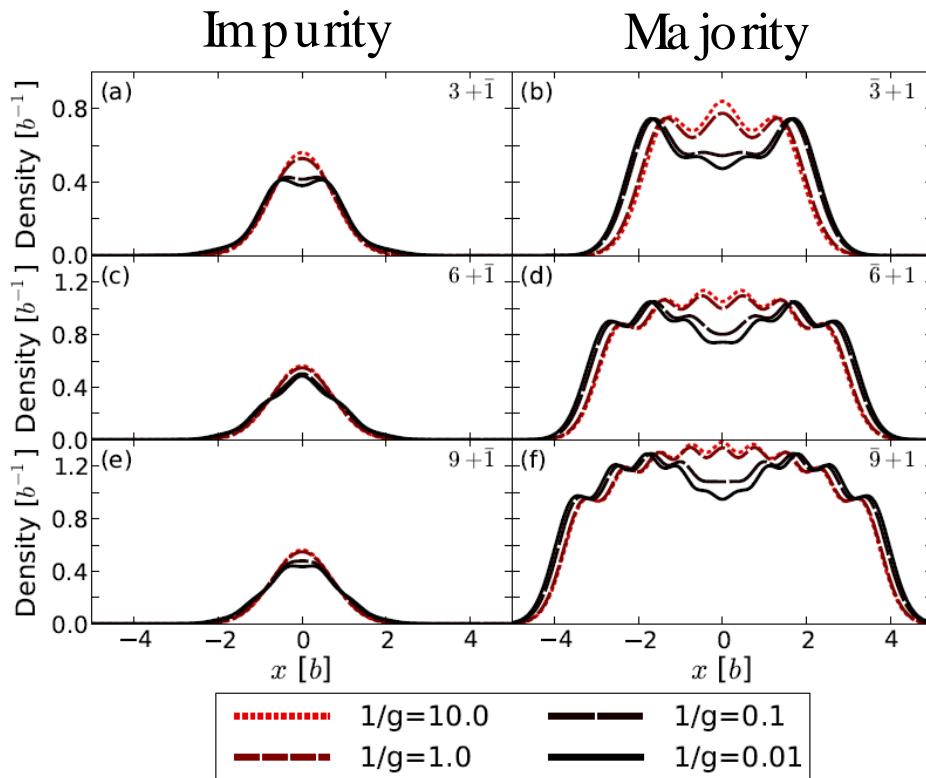
Extremizing solutions are: $a_1 = a_3$ and $a_2 = 0$ Excited state, even parity



$2a_1 = 2a_3 = -a_2$ Ground state, odd parity

IMPORTANT: Coefficients are generally NOT the same!

TRAPPED POLARONS' IN 1D



Precursor' of
magnetic structure !
Phase-separation of
spin up and spin
down for strong
interactions.

E.J. Lindgren *et al.*, New J. Phys. **16**, 063003 (2014)

S.E. Gharashi and D. Blume, Phys. Rev. Lett. **111**, 045302 (2013)

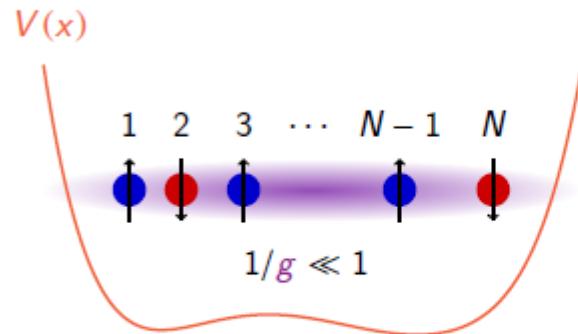
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J. Levinse n *et al.*, Science Advances **1**, e1500197 (2015)

Mapping to an XXZ spin chain

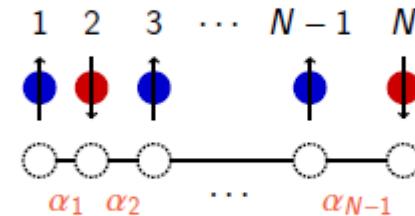
A.G. Volosniev *et al.*, Phys. Rev. A **91**, 023620 (2015)

Strongly interacting cold atomic gas



$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} + V(x_i) + \sum_{\uparrow\downarrow \text{ pairs}} g \delta(x_i - x_j) + \sum_{\uparrow\uparrow \text{ pairs}} g \kappa \delta(x_i - x_j)$$

Spin chain model



$$H_0 = E_0 - \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{\alpha_k}{g} \left[\frac{1}{2} (1 - \sigma^k \cdot \sigma^{k+1}) + \frac{1}{\kappa} (1 + \sigma_z^k \sigma_z^{k+1}) \right]$$

Theoretical work related to spin mapping:

- F. Deuretzbacher *et al.*, Phys. Rev. A **90**, 013611 (2014)
- J. Levinson *et al.*, Science Advances **1**, e1500197 (2015)
- L. Yang, L. Guan, and H. Pu, Phys. Rev. A **91**, 043643 (2015)
- L. Yang and X. Cui, Phys. Rev. A **93**, 013617 (2016).
- H. Hu, L. Guan, and S. Chen, New J. Phys. **18**, 025009 (2016)
- L. Yang and H. Pu, arXiv:1601.02556 (2016)

Experimental realization of cold atoms spin chain:

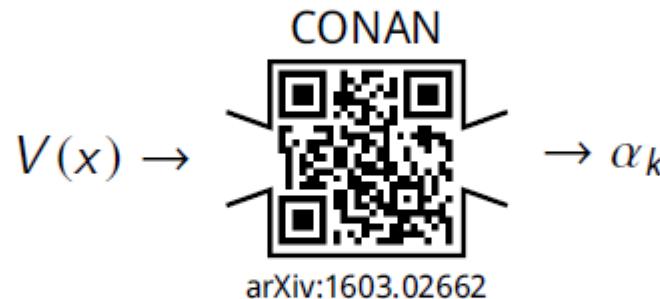
- S. Murmann *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **115**, 215301 (2015)

Nearest-neighbor interactions
are tunable via external trap!
**Tough task: Compute these
coefficients!**

CONAN (Coefficients of One-dimensional N-Atom Networks)

Method

We developed the CONAN software that computes the local exchange coefficients.

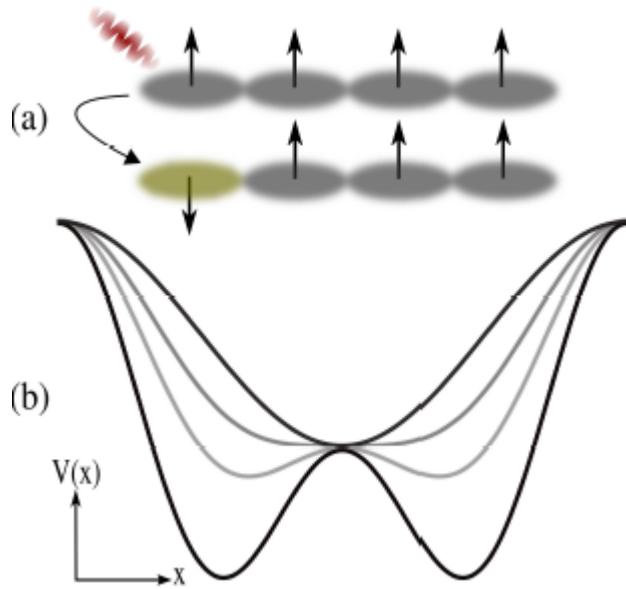


- Highly efficient code: $N = 10$ in circa 10 seconds and the computation time scales $O(N^{3.5 \pm 0.4})$.
- High precision up to $N = 30$ and acceptable up to $N = 35$.

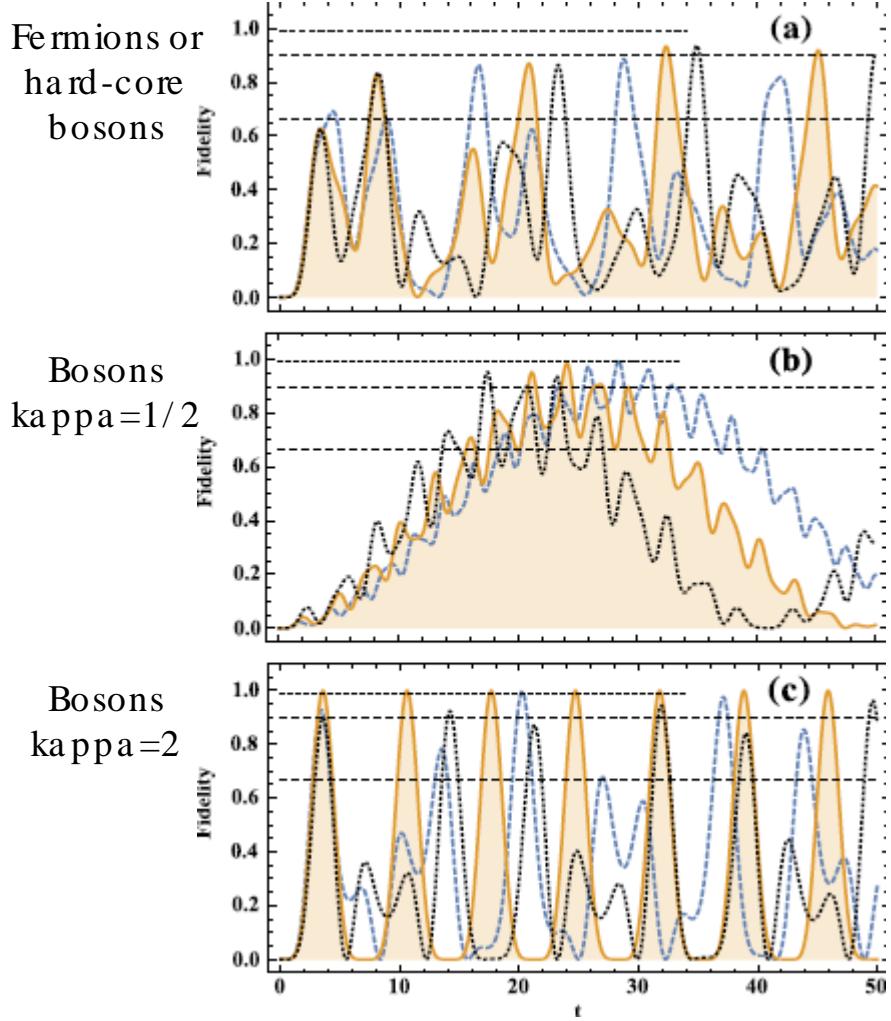
See also related work by: Frank Deuretzbacher *et al.*, arXiv:1602.06816

STATE TRANSFER

Use trap to manipulate dynamics –
example of quantum state transfer



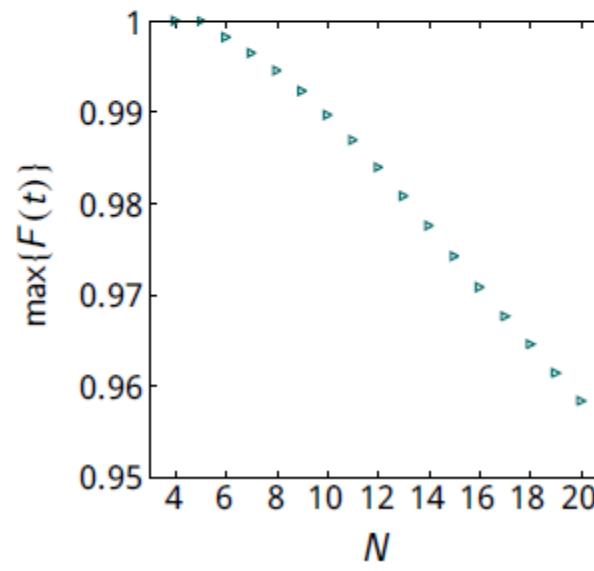
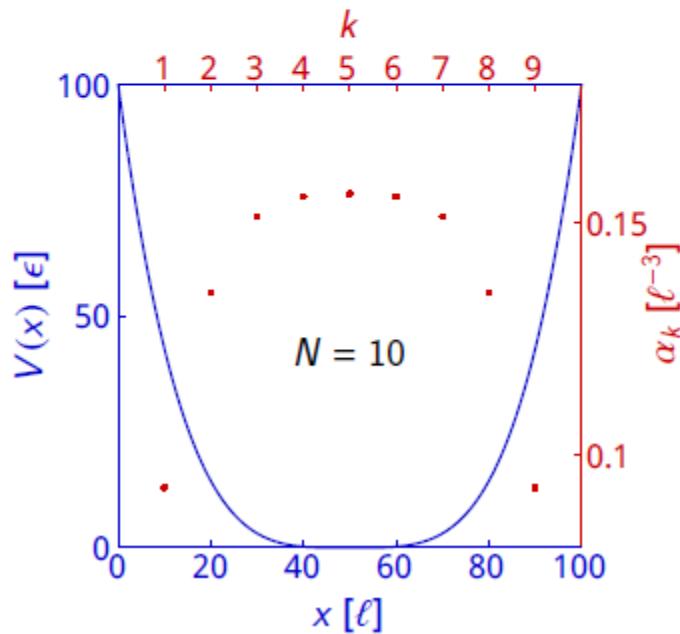
Fidelity of quantum state transfer



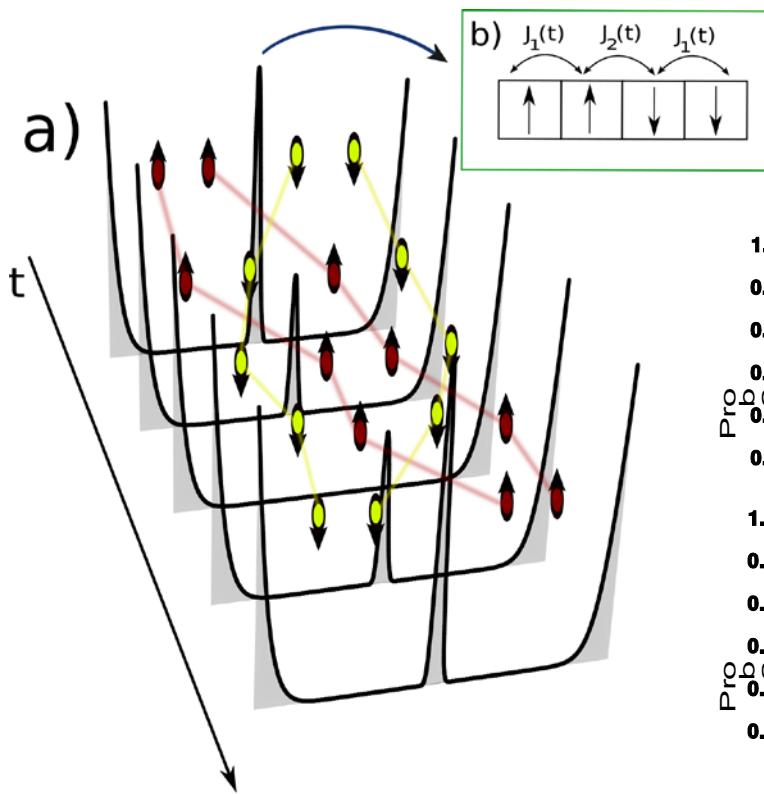
Perfect state transfer is known to occur in an XX model if

$$\alpha_k \propto \sqrt{k(N - k)} .$$

Use CONAN to search for a $V(x)$ that produces these local exchange coefficients. We reach perfect or nearly perfect state transfer.

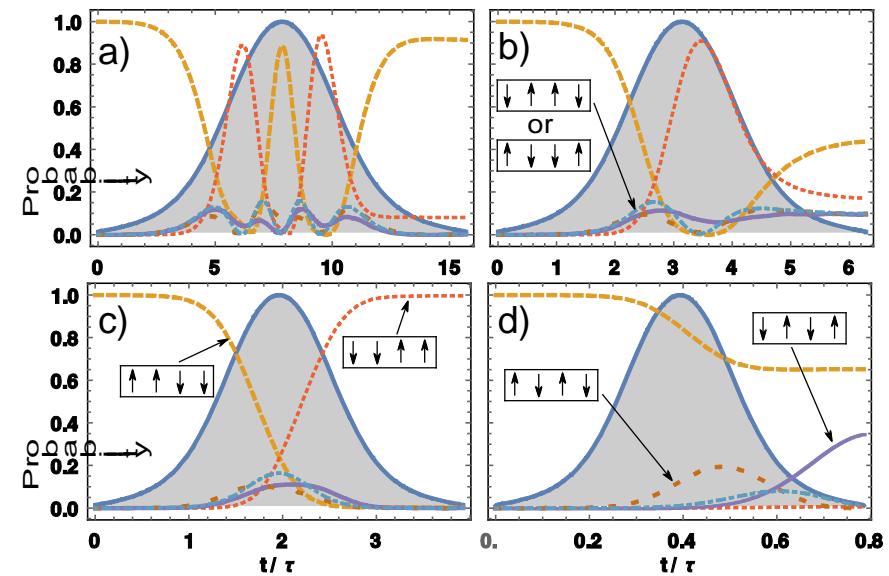


TIME-DEPENDENT EXCHANGE



$$V(x, t) = \alpha f(t) \delta(x)$$

$$f(t) = (1 - \sqrt{\sin(At/\tau)})$$



AN INTERPOLATORY ANSATZ

- 1) We know all about non-interacting 1D systems in traps
- 2) We know a lot about strongly interacting 1D systems in traps

Question: Can we combine weak and strong into knowledge of the system for any value of the interaction strength?

Let us try an interpolation of non-interacting and strongly-interacting states as a variational-like ansatz!

$$|\gamma\rangle = \alpha_0 |\gamma_0\rangle + \alpha_\infty |\gamma_\infty\rangle$$

AN INTERPOLATORY ANSATZ

$$V = g \sum_{i < j} \delta(x_i - x_j) \quad |\gamma\rangle = \alpha_0 |\gamma_0\rangle + \alpha_\infty |\gamma_\infty\rangle$$

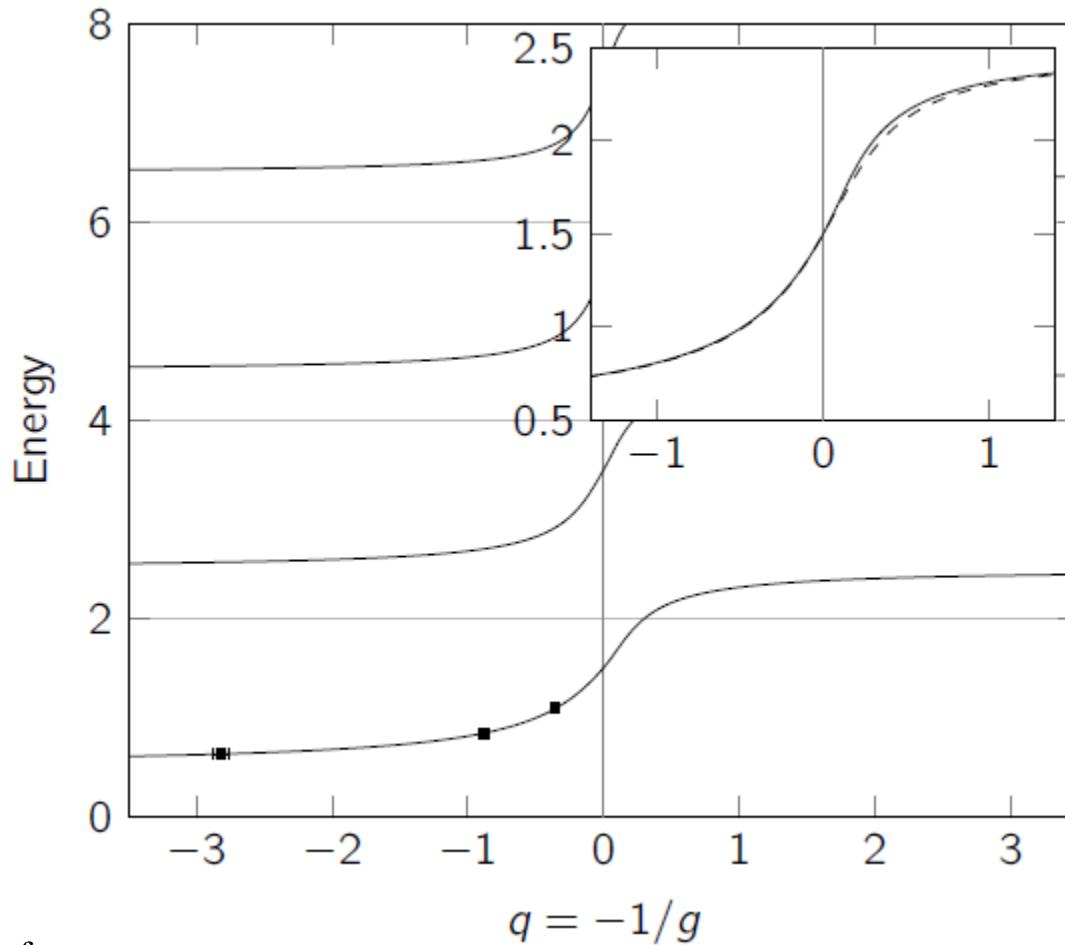
$$E = \frac{\langle \gamma | H | \gamma \rangle}{\langle \gamma | \gamma \rangle} = E_0 + \frac{\langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle \alpha_0^2 + \Delta E \alpha_\infty^2}{\alpha_0^2 + \alpha_\infty^2 + 2 \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle \alpha_0 \alpha_\infty}, \quad \Delta E \equiv E_\infty - E_0$$

$$\left(\frac{\alpha_0}{\alpha_\infty} \right)^{(\pm)}_{\text{opt}} = \frac{\Delta E - \langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle \mp \sqrt{(\Delta E - \langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle)^2 + 4 \langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle \Delta E \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle^2}}{2 \langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle}$$

$$E_{\text{opt}}^{(\pm)} = E_0 + \frac{\langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle + \Delta E \pm \sqrt{(\langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle + \Delta E)^2 - 4 \langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle \Delta E (1 - \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle^2)}}{2 (1 - \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle^2)}$$

Note the two branches! One is useful on the $g>0$ side, while the other is useful on the $g<0$ side.

N=2 energies

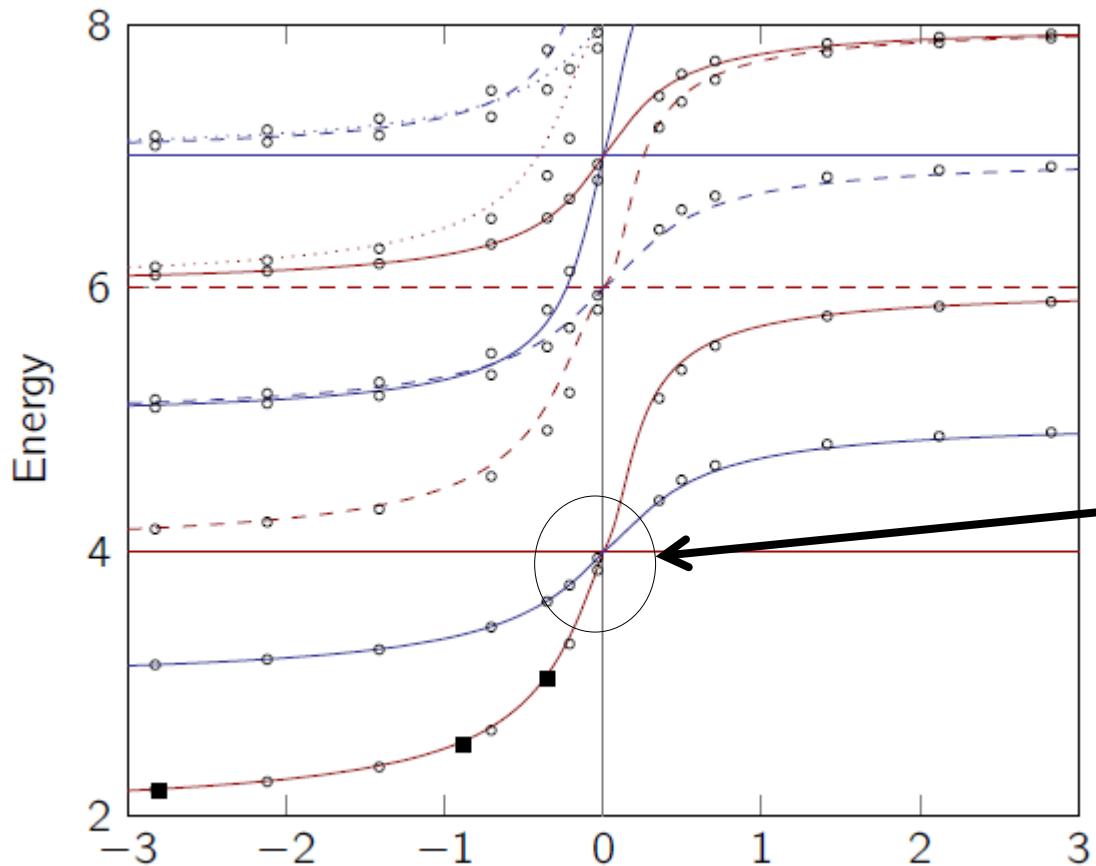


Experimental data from:

A. N. Wenz *et al.*, Science 342, 457 (2013)

Accurate to within a few percent. For ground states accurate to less than 1%!

N=3 energies



Accurate to within a few percent. BUT slope of energy is **wrong** at $q=0$

Experimental data (squares) from:
A. N. Wenz *et al.*, Science **342**, 457 (2013)

$$q = -1/g$$

Effective interaction diagonalization (dots) using:
E.J. Lindgren *et al.*, New J. Phys. **16**, 063003 (2014)

AN INTERPOLATORY ANSATZ

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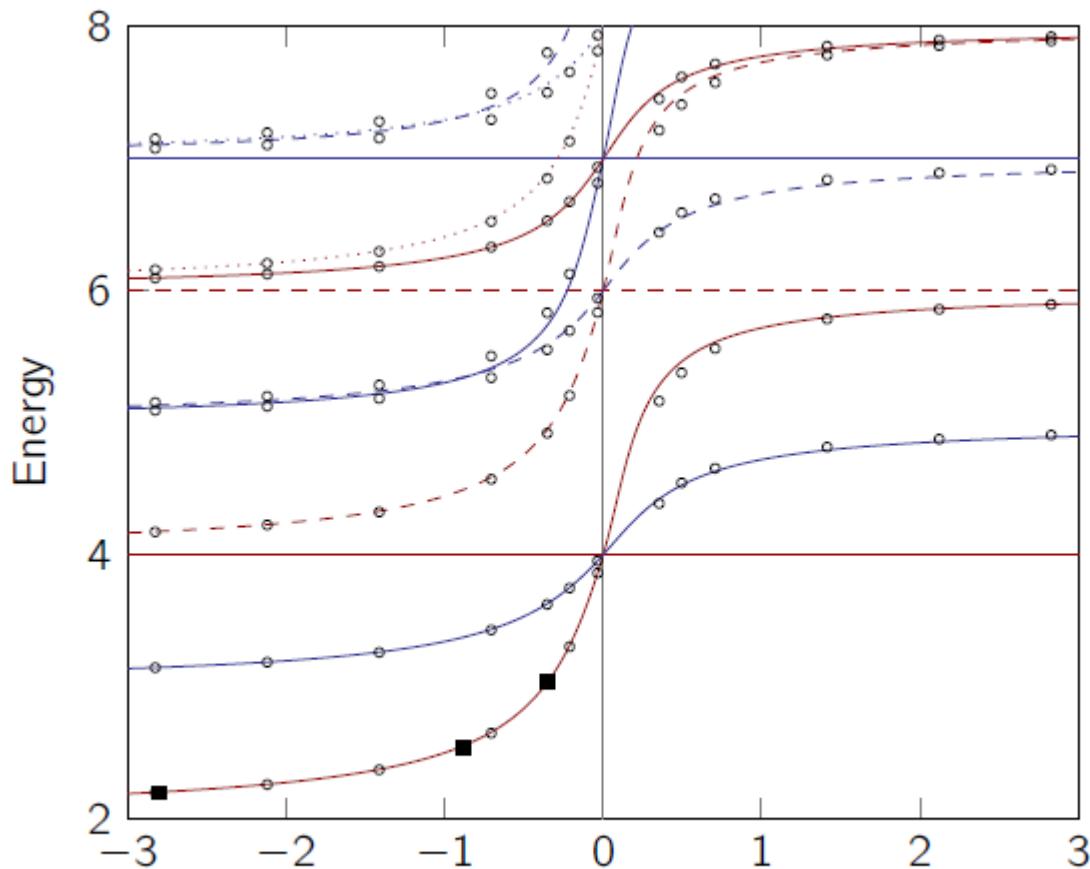
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$$E_{\text{opt}}^{(\pm)} = E_0 + \frac{\langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle + \Delta E \pm \sqrt{(\langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle + \Delta E)^2 - 4 \langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle \Delta E (1 - \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle^2)}}{2(1 - \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle^2)}$$

$$K_{\text{opt}}^\infty = \left. \frac{\partial E_{\text{opt}}}{\partial q} \right|_{q=0} = \frac{\Delta E^2}{K^0} \langle \gamma_0 | \gamma_\infty \rangle^2, \quad K^0 = \langle \gamma_0 | V | \gamma_0 \rangle / g$$

The slope at $1/g=0$ depends on energy difference, slope at $g=0$, and **overlap** of strong and weak interaction solutions. **BUT let us forget that and consider slope an input parameter!**

N=3 energies

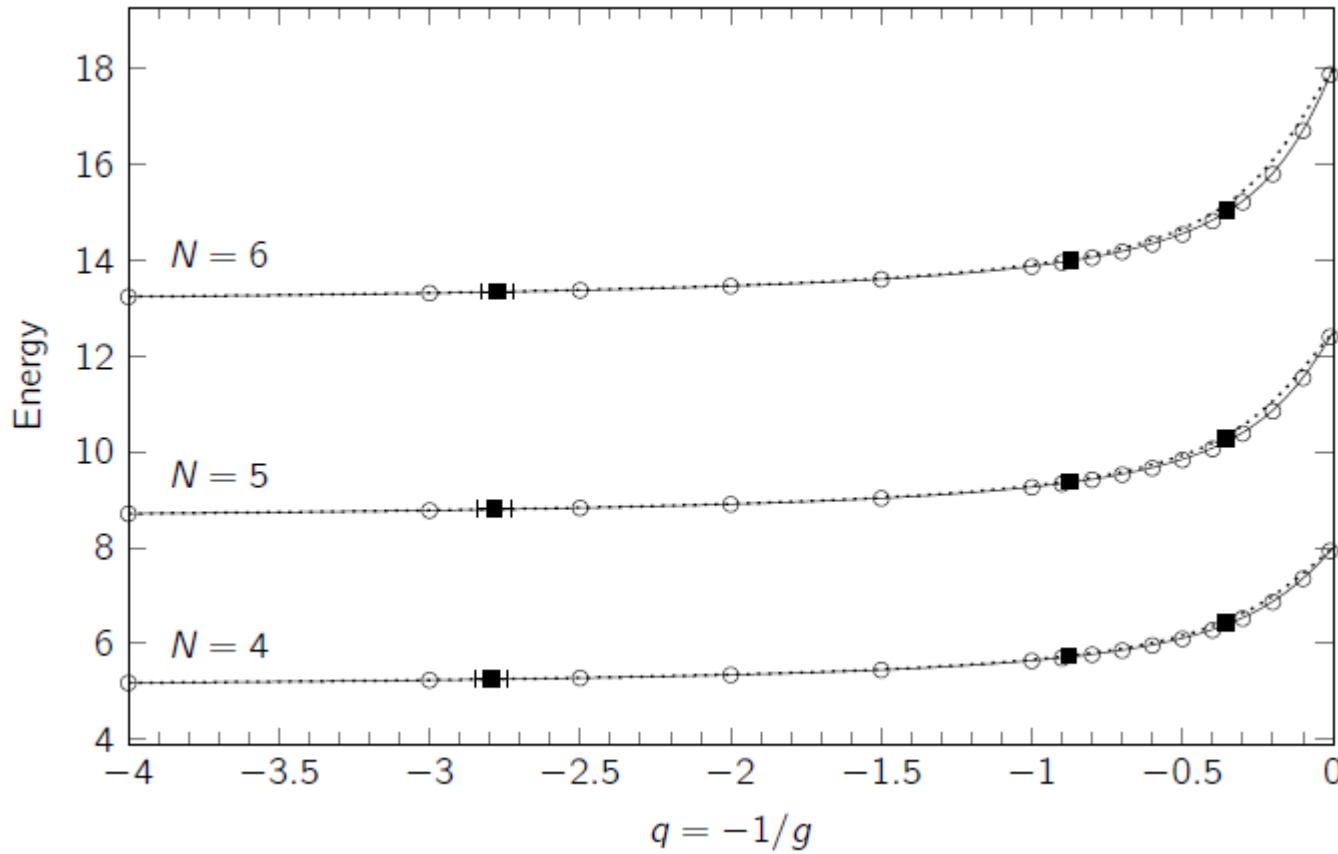


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Polaron energies



Interpolation ansatz gives us **highly accurate energies** when we **enforce** the correct slope of the energy at $1/g=0$. It would seem that strong interaction description can be used to capture intermediate interaction energies! The wave function is another matter...

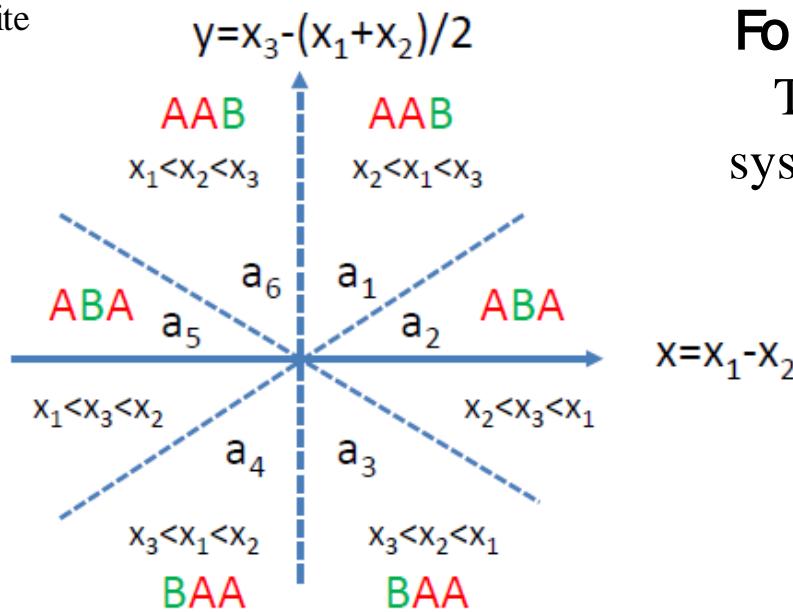
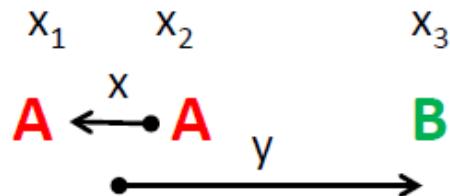
THREE TWO-COMPONENT BOSONS

Strong **AB** interactions

No **AA** interactions

No **BB** interactions

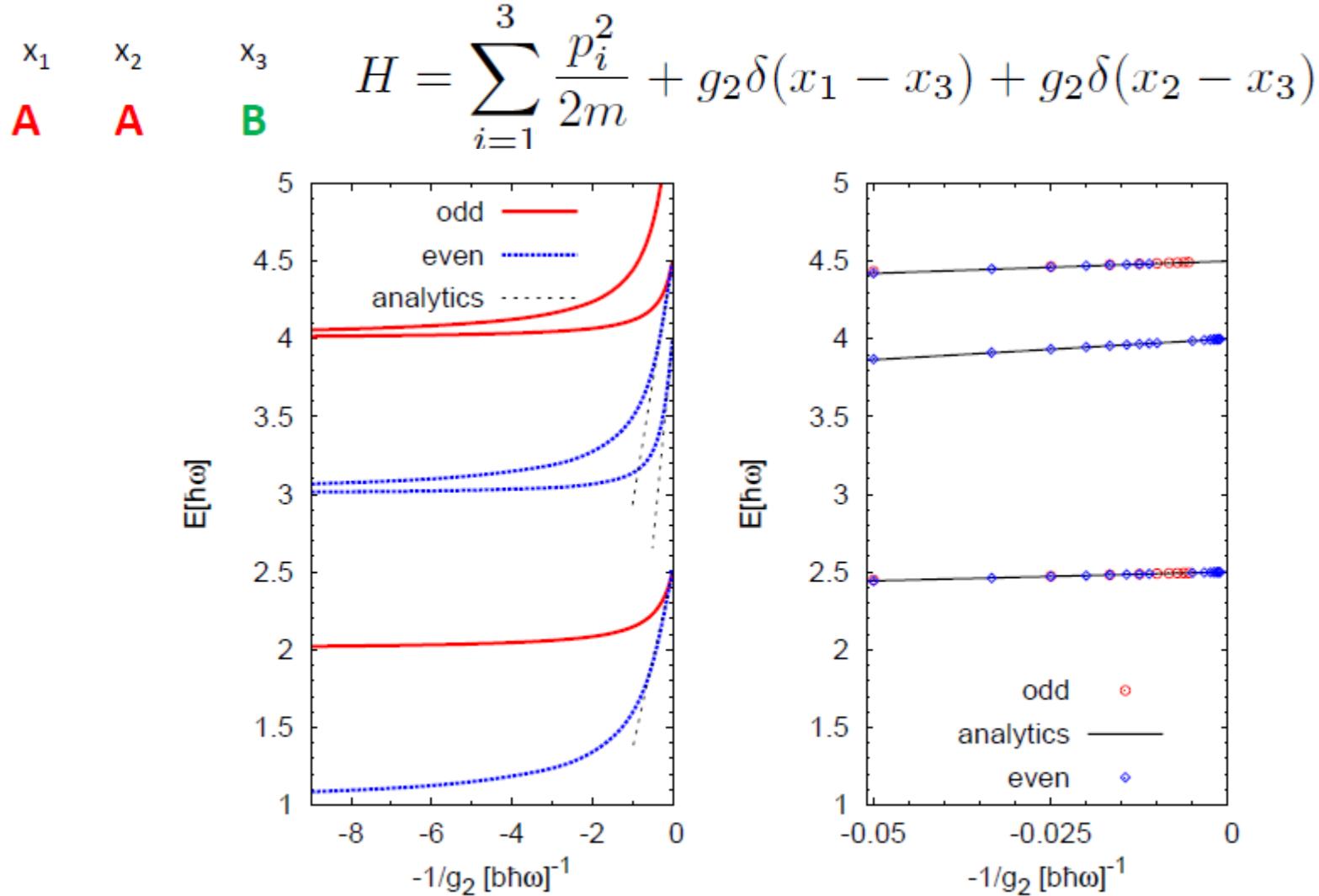
Studied early on as the composite fermionization regime. See:
 Zöllner, Meyer, Schmelcher,
 Phys. Rev. A **78**, 013629 (2008)

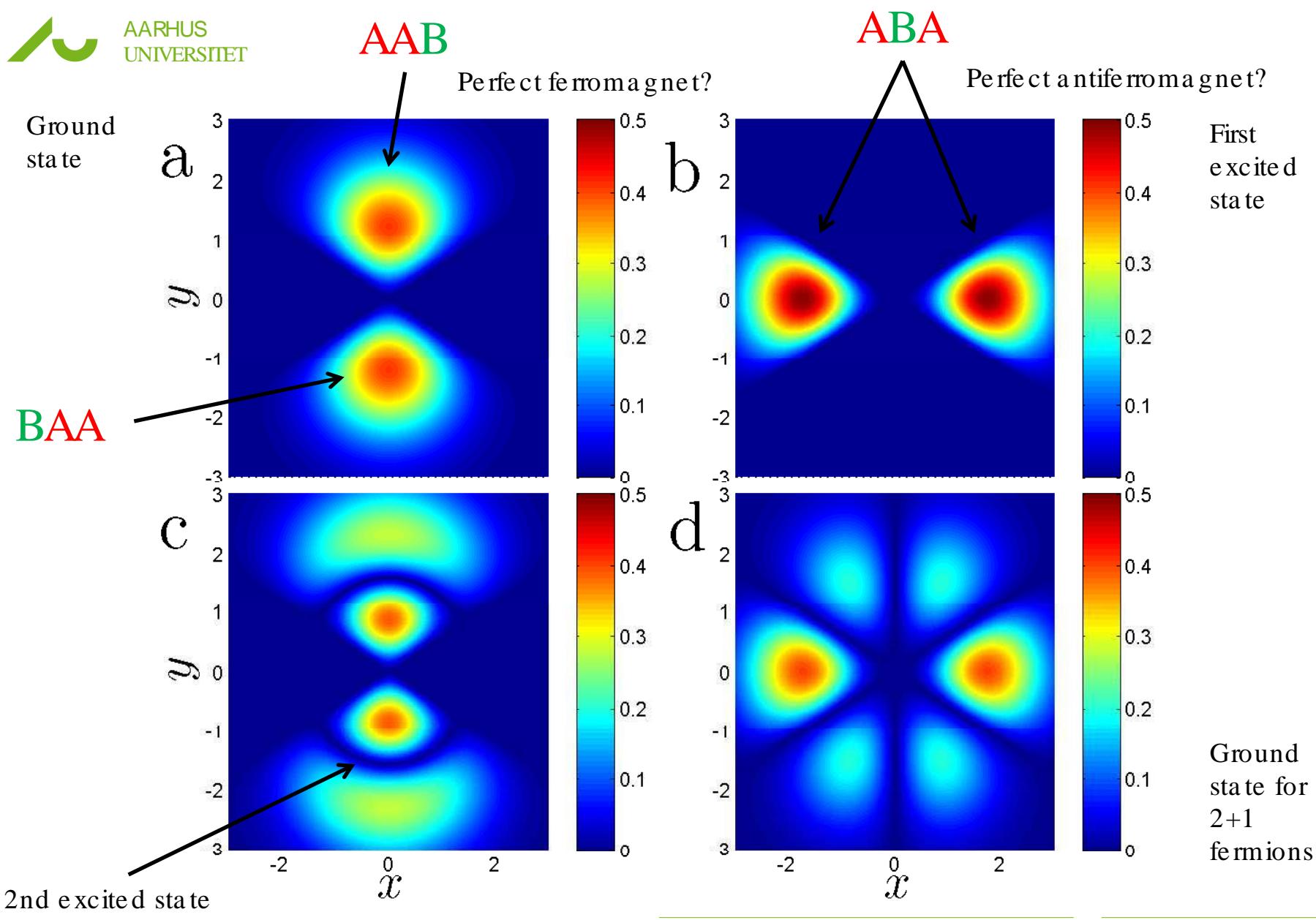


For more particles:

Two ideal Bose systems interacting strongly!

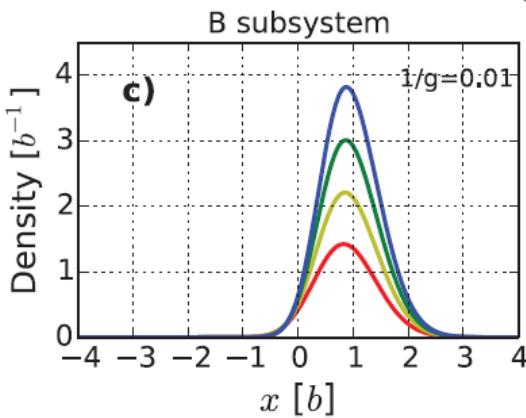
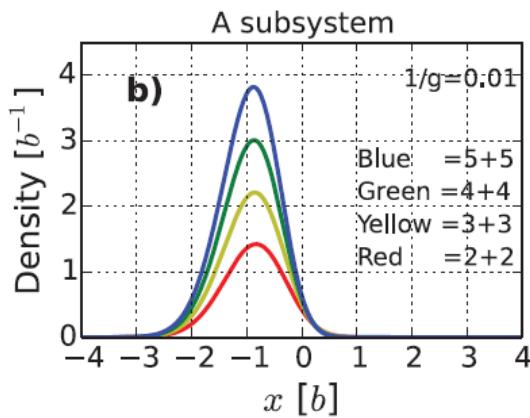
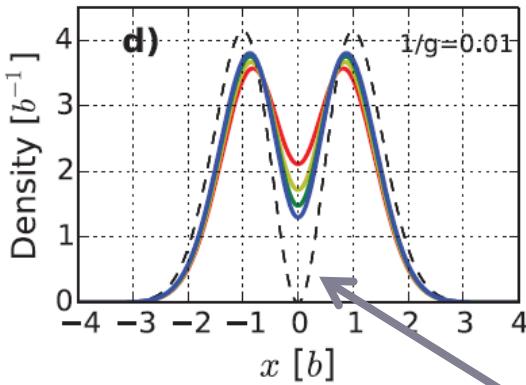
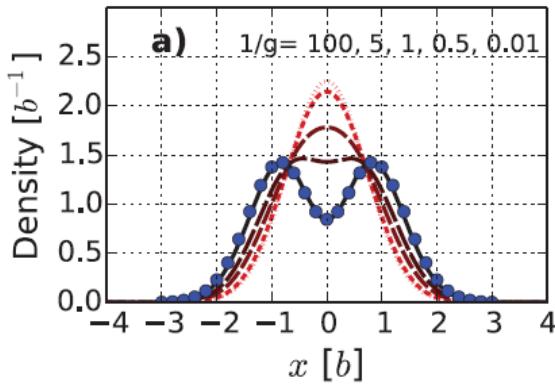
Fractional energies for strong interactions!





LARGER SYSTEMS

Energies are still fractional!



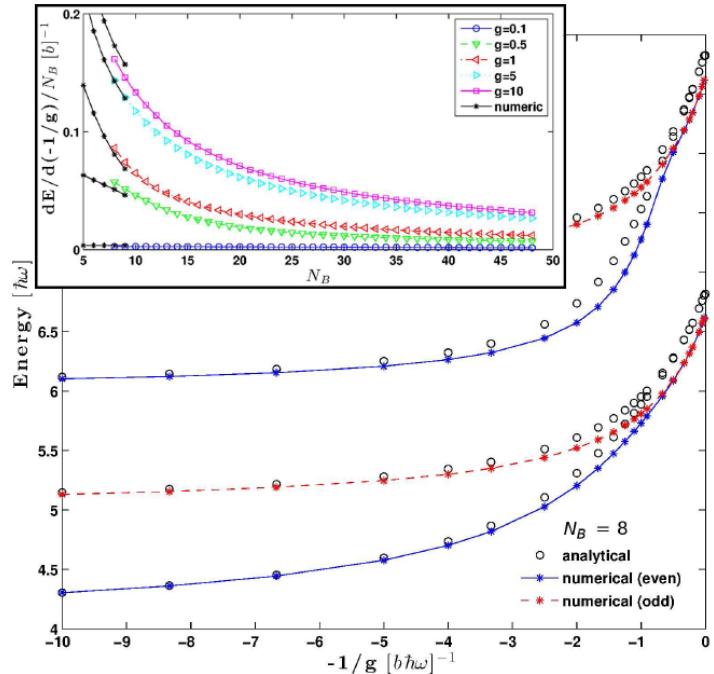
Ground state structure

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BBBBBAAAAAA

Perfect ferromagnetic ordering!

Many-body limit is approached quickly!

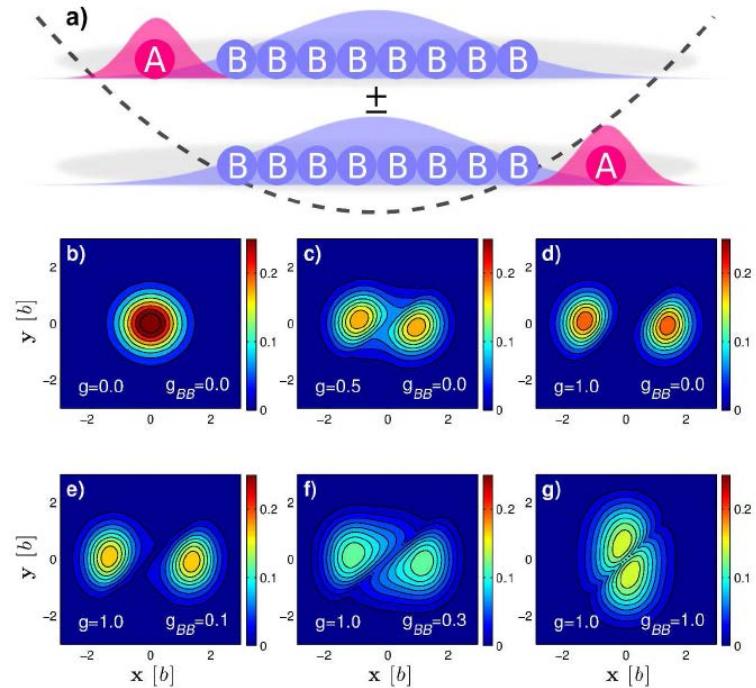
BOSE POLARONS



New semi-analytical approach
to arbitrary particle numbers – a
hyperspherical approach

Ground state structure

ABB..BB+BB..BBA



In the ground state, impurities
will NEVER penetrate the
majority component!

$$|\gamma\rangle = \alpha_0 |\gamma_0\rangle + \alpha_\infty |\gamma_\infty\rangle$$

INTERPOLATION FOR BOSONS

Four-body systems with strong interaction ground state structure:

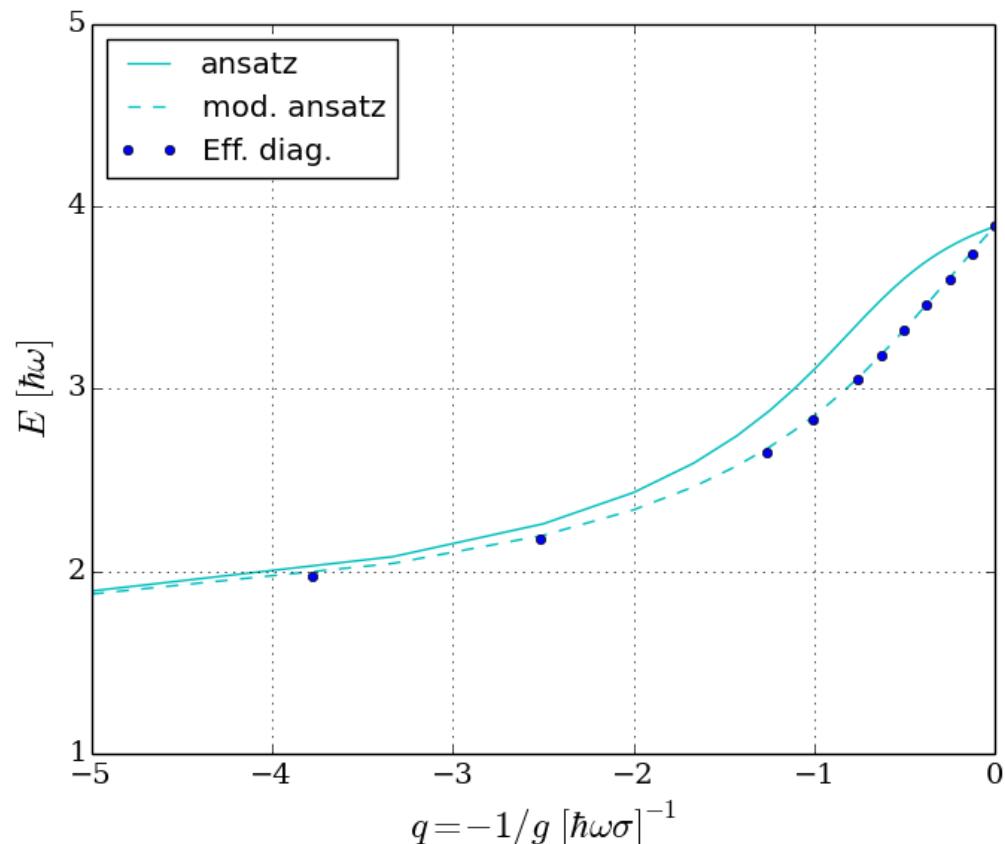
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$1/g=0$ wave function is known exactly, so we can get the slope!

Ansatz and modified ansatz can be computed. Modified ansatz performs excellently!

Modified ansatz can work for any system it seems.

Next step: Mass imbalance!



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