# Angular momentum fractonalization for atttracting bosons in ring-shaped potentials



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Outline

#### Atomtronic circuits with attractive bosons



Quantum sensing

## Introduction: Atomtronics

ATOMIC CIRCUITS: many quantum particles in *ring-shaped optical lattices* 



## Superimposing a spacial modulation: Lattice ring



Spatial Light Modulators



Amico, Aghamalyan, Aukstol, Crepatz, Kwek, Dumke SREP 2014.

Aghamalyan, Nguyen, Auksztol, Gan, Martinez Valado, Condylis, Kwek, Dumke, Amico NJP 2016

Aghamalyan, Cominotti, Rizzi, Rossini, Hekking, Minguzzi, Kwek, Amico NJP 2015.

## Introduction: Atomtronics

#### The condensate can be put in motion!



G. Campbell, W. Phillips, C. Clark and co-workers@NIST, (2014-2015)



Performing absorption imaging (Invasive measurement), we can obtain the momentum distribution and *rotation can be detected!* 



Amico, Osterloh, Cataliotti, PRL 2005.

Introduction - Solitons

**Gross-Pitaevskii equation GPE:** 
$$i\hbar\psi_t + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\psi_{xx} - V(x,t)\psi - g|\psi|^2\psi = 0$$

**Bosons** with attractive interaction



$$\psi(x,t) = \frac{a_r}{\sqrt{2|a_s|\kappa}} \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{x-vt}{\kappa}\right) \exp\left[i\frac{mv}{\hbar}z - \frac{i}{\hbar}\left(\frac{mv^2}{2} - \frac{\hbar^2\kappa^2}{2m}\right)t\right] \qquad \qquad \begin{array}{l} g = 2\hbar\omega_r a_s \\ \kappa = a_r^2/(|a_s|N) \\ a_r = \sqrt{\hbar/(m\omega r)} \end{array}$$

#### S. Gardiner (2012), experiment with ultra-cold Rubidium<sup>85</sup>





## Bose-Hubbard Model

Bose-Hubbard model: interacting bosons in a lattice

$$\hat{H}(U) = -J\sum_{j} \left( b_{j}^{\dagger}b_{j+1} + b_{j+1}^{\dagger}b_{j} \right) - \frac{|U|}{2}\sum_{j} n_{j} \left( n_{j} - 1 \right) \qquad \text{attractive interactions}$$



N-particles problem is not exactly solvable: still a lot of open questions!

## Density Matrix Renormalization Group

Solution

Numerical

S. R. White, PRL 69 2863 (1992)

A. Feiguin, S. R. White, PRB, 72, 020404 (2005)

## Bose-Hubbard Model: band structure and correlations



The critical interaction for which the two bands FULLY DETACH scales like I/N

Bound and Scattering states can be characterised by Density-Density correlations.

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**Ground state** always bound: exponential decay!



Extended states behave differently!



## Bose-Hubbard Model

The band structure has important implications!!!



Short time dynamics: expansion of pinned solitons.



## Expansion velocity

$$v(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \sqrt{R^2(t) - R^2(0)}$$

$$R^{2}(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{L} n_{i}(t) (i - i_{0})^{2}$$

The asymptotic value of the expansion velocity acts as an "order parameter"!



Introduction: One BOSON & rotation

Rotating bosons in a ring  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \Omega \hat{L}_Z$ 

This mimes the presence of ROTATION or of any external FLUX.



## Energy bands in mesoscopic rings: Leggett Theorem

Granular Nanoelectronics, Edited by D.K. Ferry Plenum Press, New York, 1991 DEPHASING AND NON-DEPHASING COLLISIONS IN NANOSTRUCTURES

A. J. Leggett



The periodicity of the persistent current is given by flux quantum. It does not depend on the details of interaction or local disorder. N particles with delta interaction: Lieb Liniger

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\hat{p}_i^2}{2m} + \Omega \hat{L}_{Z,i} \left( +g \sum_{j < l} \delta(x_j - x_l) \right)$$



Lieb-Liniger model is integrable: exact solution through Bethe-Ansatz



N particles with delta interaction: Lieb Liniger





## Solitons in the GP equation



Mean field Gross-Pitaevskii description.

It's a good approximation for weak interactions!





The FRACTIONALIZATION is a *pure quantum effect* and it completely disappears in GPE analysis!!!

Fractionalization in the Bose-Hubbard Model

NON INTEGRABLE MODEL

$$\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{l=1}^{L} \left( J e^{-2\pi i \Omega/L} b_{l+1}^{\dagger} b_{l} + h.c. + \frac{U}{2} n_{j} (n_{j} - 1) \right)$$

... the periodicity depends on the value of the interaction!

For large interactions we restore the I/N periodicity!!



For large interactions, particles cluster together over a length comparable to the lattice spacing



## Time of Flight (TOF)



 $n(\vec{k}) = |w(\vec{k})|^2 \sum_{j,l} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{x}_j - \vec{x}_l)} \langle b_j^{\dagger} b_l \rangle$ 

Each step in the mean-square radius corresponds to a step in  $L_z$ 

TOF allows us to measure the angular momentum!!

Quantum solitons behave better? Can they outperform classical systems?



## Thank you for your attention!

Other solitonic news are going to arrive in the next future!









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Main Subjects of research: One dimensional strongly correlated systems

- Spin chains with long range interactions \_\_\_\_\_ PRL 120, 050401 (2018) PRB 95, 245111 (2017)
- Disordered interacting Fermions \_\_\_\_\_ SciPost 1, 010 (2016) arxiv: 1810.09779
- Systems of attractive Bosons \_\_\_\_\_ PRA 90, 043606 (2014) arxiv: 1804.10133

arxiv: 1901.09398

Numerical Simulations:

Density Matrix Renormalization Group Exact Diagonalization • Bose-Hubbard Model  $\rightarrow$  attractive Bosons in a *lattice*.



## Thermalization in presence of Solitons

LONG TIME DYNAMICS: THERMALIZATION



Long time dynamics is determined by some MACROSCOPIC quantities of the system (temperature, number of particles....)!

During the dynamics the system looses information on the microscopic details of the initial state!

For interactions  $0 < U < U_c$  we have three regions in the spectrum:



## Thermalization in presence of Solitons



If we can initialize the system at the same energy but with different PB and PS we will have really different long time evolutions!! On going research

## Mesoscopic violation of ergodicity



