



Ground States and Dynamics of the Nonlinear Schrodinger / Gross-Pitaevskii Equations

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★ Ground states

- Existence, uniqueness & non-existence
- Numerical methods & results

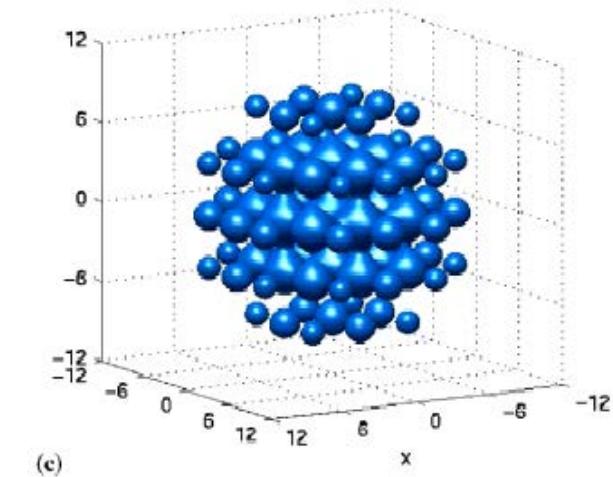
★ Dynamics

- Well-posedness & dynamical laws
- Numerical methods & results

★ Applications --- collapse & explosion of a BEC

★ Extension to rotation, nonlocal interaction & system

★ Conclusions

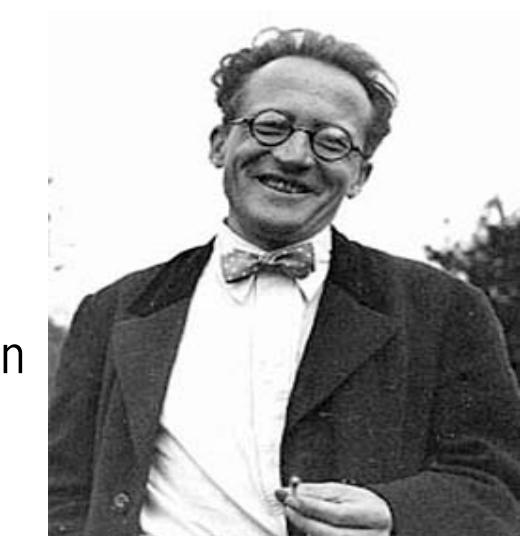


NLSE / GPE

- 💡 The nonlinear Schrodinger equation (**NLSE**) ---1925

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi + V(\vec{x}) \psi + \beta |\psi|^2 \psi$$

- t : time & $\vec{x} (\in \mathbb{R}^d)$: spatial coordinate ($d=1,2,3$)
- $\psi(\vec{x}, t)$: complex-valued wave function
- $V(\vec{x})$: real-valued external potential
- β : dimensionless interaction constant
 - =0: linear; $>0(<0)$: repulsive (attractive) interaction
- Gross-Pitaevskii equation (**GPE**) :
 - E. Schrodinger 1925';
 - E.P. Gross 1961'; L.P. Pitaevskii 1961'



Model for BEC

• Bose-Einstein condensation (BEC):

- Bosons at nano-Kelvin temperature
- Many atoms occupy in one orbit -- at quantum mechanical ground state
- Form like a 'super-atom', New matter of wave --- fifth state

• Theoretical prediction – S. Bose & E. Einstein 1924'

• Experimental realization – JILA 1995'

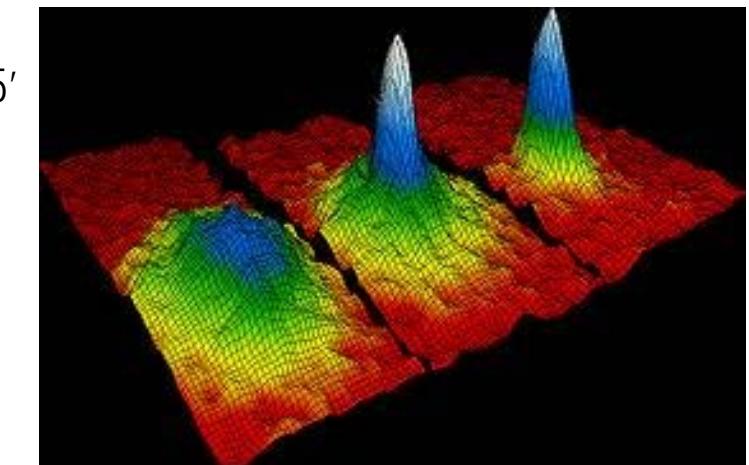
• 2001 Noble prize in physics

- E. A. Cornell, W. Ketterle, C. E. Wieman

• Mean-field approximation

– Gross-Pitaevskii equation (GPE) :

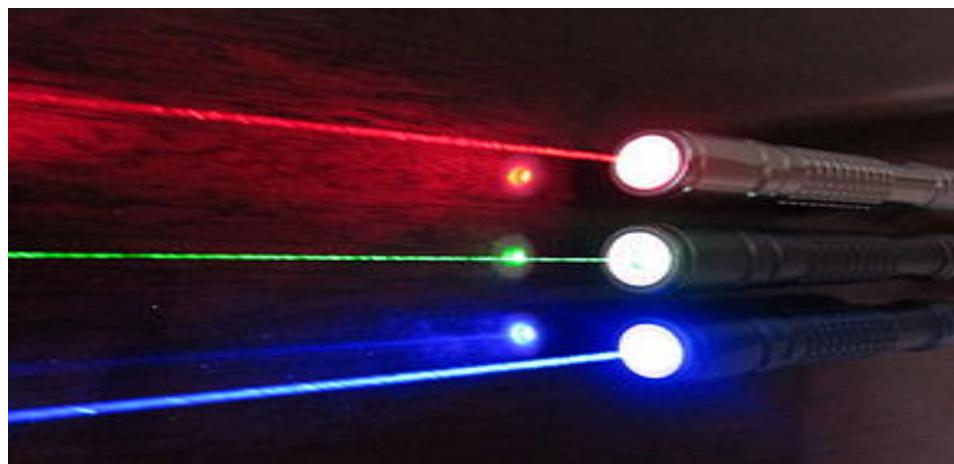
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BEC@ JILA

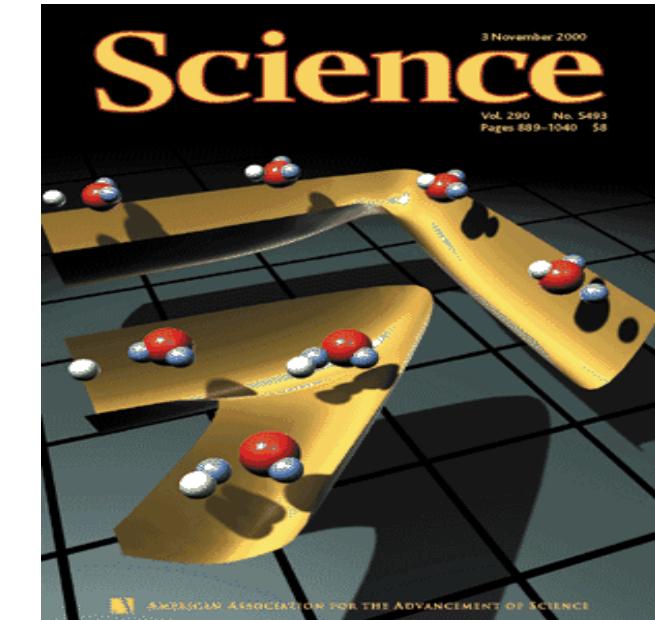
Laser beam propagation

- Nonlinear wave (or Maxwell) equations
- Helmholtz equation – time harmonic
- In a Kerr medium
- Paraxial (or parabolic) approximation -- NLSE



Other applications

- In **plasma physics**: wave interaction between electrons and ions
 - Zakharov system,
- In **quantum chemistry**: chemical interaction based on the first principle
 - Schrodinger-Poisson system
- In **materials science**:
 - First principle computation
 - Semiconductor industry
- In **nonlinear (quantum) optics**
- In **biology** – protein folding
- In **superfluids** – flow without friction



Conservation laws

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi + V(\vec{x}) \psi + \beta |\psi|^2 \psi$$

Dispersive

Time symmetric: $t \rightarrow -t$ & take conjugate \Rightarrow unchanged!!

Time transverse (gauge) invariant

$$V(\vec{x}) \rightarrow V(\vec{x}) + \alpha \Rightarrow \psi \rightarrow \psi e^{-i\alpha t} \Rightarrow \rho = |\psi|^2 \text{ --unchanged!!}$$

Mass conservation

$$N(t) := N(\psi(\bullet, t)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2 d\vec{x} \equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\psi(\vec{x}, 0)|^2 d\vec{x} = 1, \quad t \geq 0$$

Energy conservation

$$E(t) := E(\psi(\bullet, t)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left[\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \psi|^2 + V(x) |\psi|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} |\psi|^4 \right] d\vec{x} \equiv E(0), \quad t \geq 0$$

Stationary states

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi + V(\vec{x}) \psi + \beta |\psi|^2 \psi$$

• Stationary states (ground & excited states)

$$\psi(\vec{x}, t) = \phi(\vec{x}) e^{-it\mu}$$

• Nonlinear eigenvalue problems: Find (μ, ϕ) s.t.

$$\mu \phi(\vec{x}) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \phi(\vec{x}) + V(\vec{x}) \phi(\vec{x}) + \beta |\phi(\vec{x})|^2 \phi(\vec{x}), \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

with $\|\phi\|^2 := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\phi(\vec{x})|^2 d\vec{x} = 1$

• Time-independent NLSE or GPE:

• Eigenfunctions are

- Orthogonal in linear case & Superposition is valid for dynamics!!
- Not orthogonal in nonlinear case !!!! No superposition for dynamics!!!

Ground states

- The eigenvalue is also called as chemical potential

$$\mu := \mu(\phi) = E(\phi) + \frac{\beta}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\phi(\vec{x})|^4 d\vec{x}$$

- With energy

$$E(\phi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left[\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \phi(\vec{x})|^2 + V(\vec{x}) |\phi(\vec{x})|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} |\phi(\vec{x})|^4 \right] d\vec{x}$$

- Ground states -- nonconvex minimization problem

$$E(\phi_g) = \min_{\phi \in S} E(\phi) \quad S = \{ \phi \mid \|\phi\| = 1, \quad E(\phi) < \infty \}$$

- Euler-Lagrange equation \rightarrow nonlinear eigenvalue problem

Existence & uniqueness

$$C_b = \inf_{0 \neq f \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^2)} \frac{\|\nabla f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)}^2 \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)}^2}{\|f\|_{L^4(\mathbb{R}^2)}^4}$$

★ **Theorem** (Lieb, etc, PRA, 02'; Bao & Cai, KRM, 13') If potential is confining

$$V(\vec{x}) \geq 0 \text{ for } \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad \& \quad \lim_{|\vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty} V(\vec{x}) = \infty$$

– There exists a ground state if one of the following holds

- (i) $d = 3 \& \beta \geq 0$; (ii) $d = 2 \& \beta > -C_b$; (iii) $d = 1 \& \beta \in \mathbb{R}$
- The ground state can be chosen as nonnegative $|\phi_g|$, i.e. $\phi_g = |\phi_g| e^{i\theta_0}$
- Nonnegative ground state is unique if $\beta \geq 0$
- The nonnegative ground state is strictly positive if $V(\vec{x}) \in L^2_{\text{loc}}$
- There is no ground stats if one of the following holds

$$(i)' \quad d = 3 \& \beta < 0; \quad (ii)' \quad d = 2 \& \beta \leq -C_b$$

Key Techniques in Proof

★ **Positivity** & semi-lower continuous

$$E(\phi) \geq E(|\phi|) = E(\sqrt{\rho}), \quad \forall \phi \in S \quad \text{with} \quad \rho = |\phi|^2$$

★ The energy $\tilde{E}(\rho) := E(\sqrt{\rho})$ is **bounded below** if conditions (i) or (ii) or (iii) and strictly **convex** if $\beta \geq 0$

★ **Confinement** potential implies decay at far field

★ The set $S = \left\{ \rho \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \rho(\vec{x}) d\vec{x} = 1 \text{ and } \tilde{E}(\rho) < \infty \right\}$ is **convex** in ρ

★ Using **convex** minimization theorem

★ **Non-existence** result

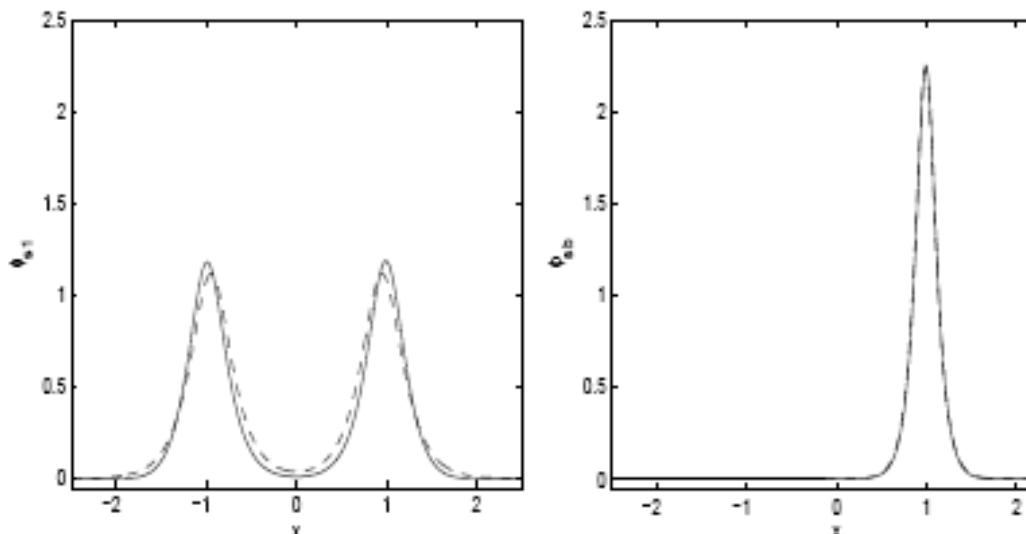
$$\phi_\varepsilon(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\varepsilon)^{d/4}} \exp\left(-\frac{|\vec{x}|^2}{2\varepsilon}\right), \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad \text{with} \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

Phase transition –symmetry breaking

★ Attractive interaction with double-well potential in 1D

$$\mu \phi(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \phi''(x) + V(x)\phi(x) + \beta |\phi(x)|^2 \phi(x), \quad \text{with} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(x)|^2 dx = 1$$

$$V(x) = (x^2 - 1)^2 \quad \& \quad \beta: \text{positive} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \text{negative}$$



Excited states

Excited states: $\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3, \dots$

Open question: (Bao & W. Tang, JCP, 03'; Bao, F. Lim & Y. Zhang, Bull Int. Math., 06')

$$\varphi_g, \quad \varphi_1, \quad \varphi_2, \quad \dots$$

$$E(\varphi_g) < E(\varphi_1) \leq E(\varphi_2) \leq \dots$$

$$\mu(\varphi_g) < \mu(\varphi_1) \leq \mu(\varphi_2) \leq \dots \quad ??????$$

Gaps between ground and first excited states

$$\delta_\mu(\beta) := \mu(\phi_1^\beta) - \mu(\phi_g^\beta) > 0, \quad \delta_E(\beta) := E(\phi_1^\beta) - E(\phi_g^\beta) > 0$$

– Linear case – fundamental gap conjecture (B. Andrews & J. Clutterbuck, JAMS 11')

$$\delta := \delta_\mu(0) = \delta_E(0) \geq \frac{3\pi^2}{|D|} \quad \text{on bounded domain } D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

– Nonlinear case ?????

$$\delta_\mu(\beta) \geq C_1 > 0, \quad \delta_E(\beta) \geq C_2 > 0, \quad \beta \geq 0 \quad ?????$$

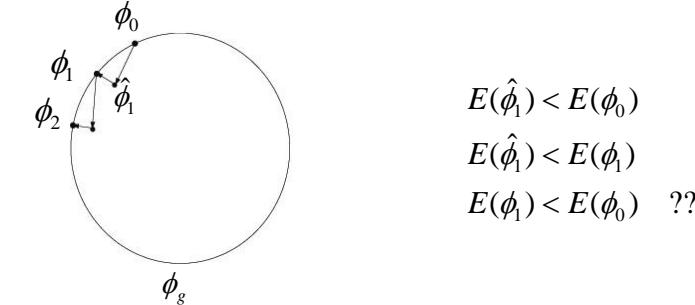
Computing ground states

💡 Idea: Steepest decent method + Projection

$$\partial_t \varphi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta E(\varphi)}{\delta \varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \varphi - V(\vec{x}) \varphi - \beta |\varphi|^2 \varphi, \quad t_n \leq t < t_{n+1}$$

$$\varphi(\vec{x}, t_{n+1}) = \frac{\varphi(\vec{x}, \bar{t}_{n+1})}{\|\varphi(\vec{x}, \bar{t}_{n+1})\|}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\varphi(\vec{x}, 0) = \varphi_0(\vec{x}) \quad \text{with} \quad \|\varphi_0(\vec{x})\| = 1.$$



- The first equation can be viewed as choosing $t = i\tau$ in NLS
- For linear case: (Bao & Q. Du, SIAM Sci. Comput., 03')
$$E_0(\phi(., t_{n+1})) \leq E_0(\phi(., t_n)) \leq \dots \leq E_0(\phi(., 0))$$
- For nonlinear case with small time step, CNGF

Normalized gradient glow

💡 Idea: letting time step go to 0 ([Bao & Q. Du](#), SIAM Sci. Comput., 03')

$$\partial_t \phi(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \phi - V(\vec{x}) \phi - \beta |\phi|^2 \phi + \frac{\mu(\phi(., t))}{\|\phi(., t)\|^2} \phi, \quad t \geq 0,$$

$$\phi(\vec{x}, 0) = \phi_0(\vec{x}) \quad \text{with} \quad \|\phi_0(\vec{x})\| = 1.$$

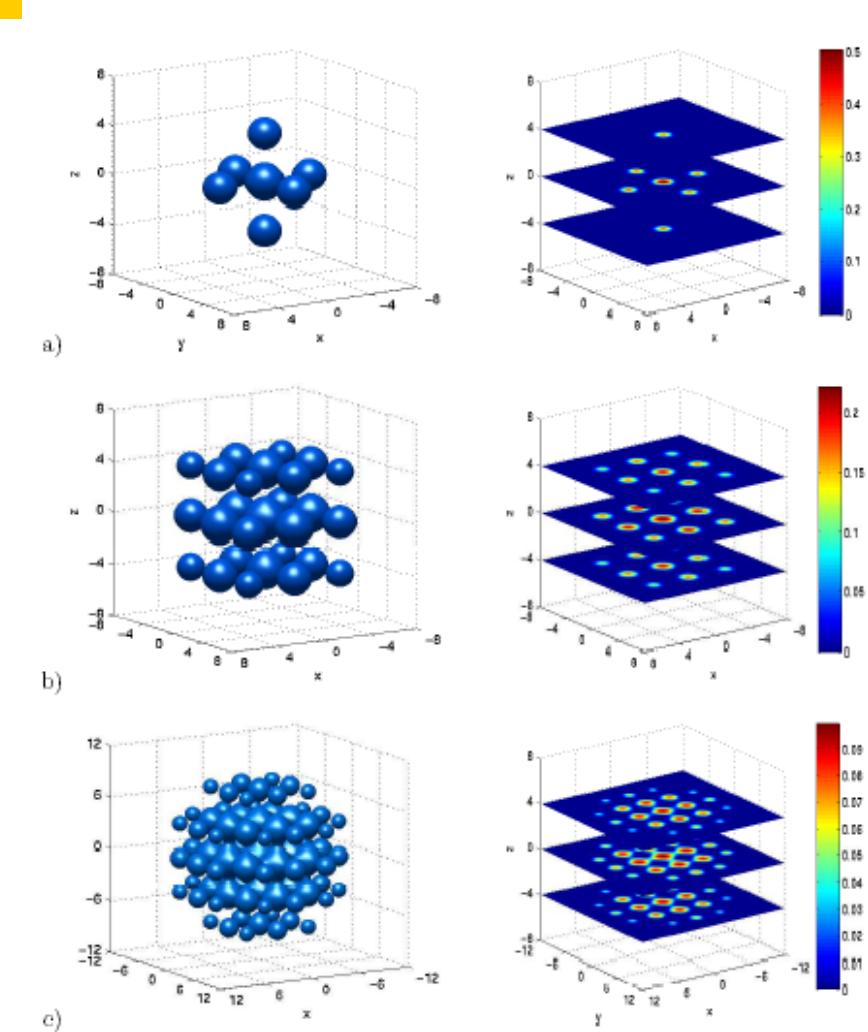
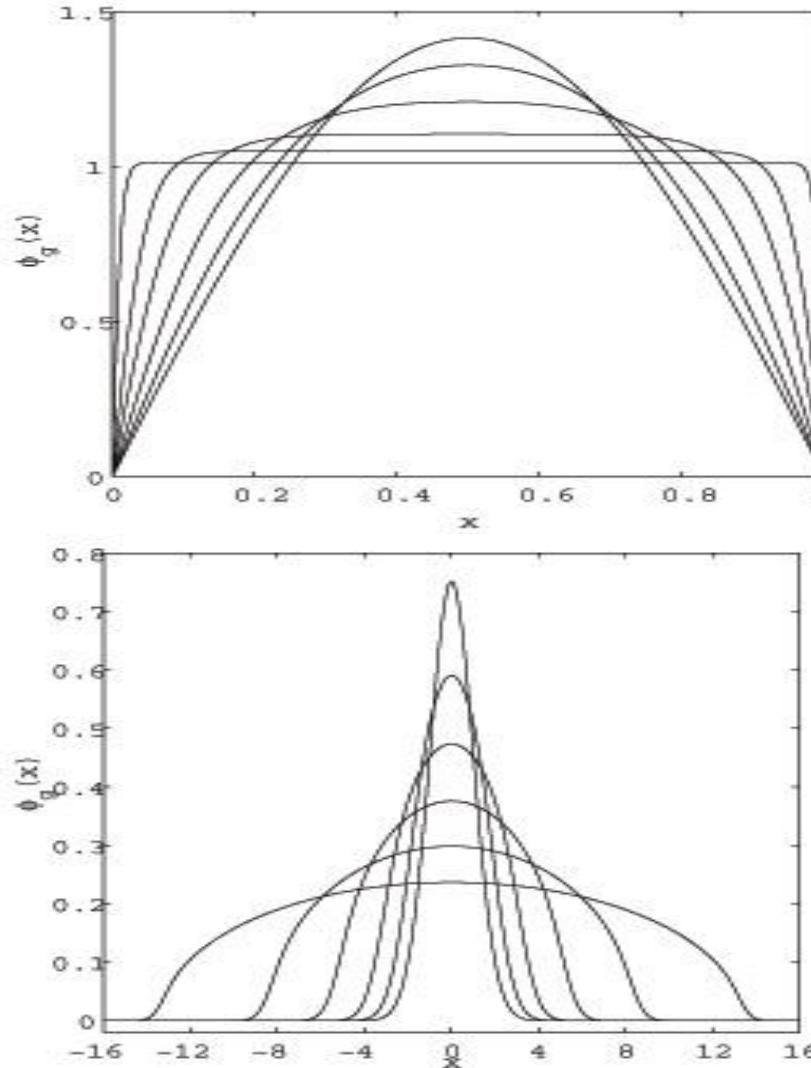
– Mass conservation & **energy** diminishing

$$\|\varphi(., t)\| = \|\varphi_0\| = 1, \quad \frac{d}{dt} E(\varphi(., t)) \leq 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

– Numerical discretizations

- BEFD: Energy diminishing & monotone ([Bao & Q. Du](#), SIAM Sci. Comput., 03')
- TSSP: Spectral accurate with splitting error ([Bao & Q. Du](#), SIAM Sci. Comput., 03')
- BESP: Spectral accuracy in space & stable ([Bao, I. Chern & F. Lim](#), JCP, 06')

Ground states in 1D & 3D



Dynamics

★ Time-dependent NLSE / GPE

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi + V(\vec{x}) \psi + \beta |\psi|^2 \psi, \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad t > 0$$

$$\psi(\vec{x}, 0) = \psi_0(\vec{x})$$

★ Well-posedness & dynamical laws

- Well-posedness & finite time blow-up
- Dynamical laws
 - Soliton solutions
 - Center-of-mass
 - An exact solution under special initial data
- Numerical methods and applications

Dynamics with no potential

$$V(\vec{x}) \equiv 0, \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

• Momentum conservation $\vec{J}(t) := \text{Im} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \bar{\psi} \nabla \psi d\vec{x} \equiv \vec{J}(0) \quad t \geq 0$

• Dispersion relation $\psi(\vec{x}, t) = A e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} - \omega t)} \Rightarrow \omega = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{k}|^2 + \beta A^2$

• Soliton solutions in 1D:

– Bright soliton $\beta < 0$ --- decaying to zero at far-field

$$\psi(x, t) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{-\beta}} \text{sech}(a(x - vt - x_0)) e^{i(vx - \frac{1}{2}(v^2 - a^2)t + \theta_0)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \geq 0$$

– Dark (or gray) soliton $\beta > 0$ -- nonzero & oscillatory at far-field

$$\psi(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}} [a \tanh(a(x - vt - x_0)) + i(v - k)] e^{i(kx - \frac{1}{2}(k^2 + 2a^2 + 2(v - k)^2)t + \theta_0)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \geq 0$$

Dynamics with harmonic potential

💡 Harmonic potential

$$V(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{cases} \gamma_x^2 x^2 & d=1 \\ \gamma_x^2 x^2 + \gamma_y^2 y^2 & d=2 \\ \gamma_x^2 x^2 + \gamma_y^2 y^2 + \gamma_z^2 z^2 & d=3 \end{cases}$$

💡 Center-of-mass: $\vec{x}_c(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \vec{x} |\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2 d\vec{x}$

$$\ddot{\vec{x}}_c(t) + \text{diag}(\gamma_x^2, \gamma_y^2, \gamma_z^2) \vec{x}_c(t) = 0, \quad t > 0 \Rightarrow \text{each component is periodic!!}$$

💡 An analytical solution if $\psi_0(\vec{x}) = \phi_s(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$

$$\psi(\vec{x}, t) = e^{-i\mu_s t} \phi_s(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_c(t)) e^{iw(\vec{x}, t)}, \quad \vec{x}_c(0) = \vec{x}_0 \quad \& \Delta w(\vec{x}, t) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \rho(\vec{x}, t) := |\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2 = |\phi_s(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_c(t))|^2$ -- moves like a particle!!

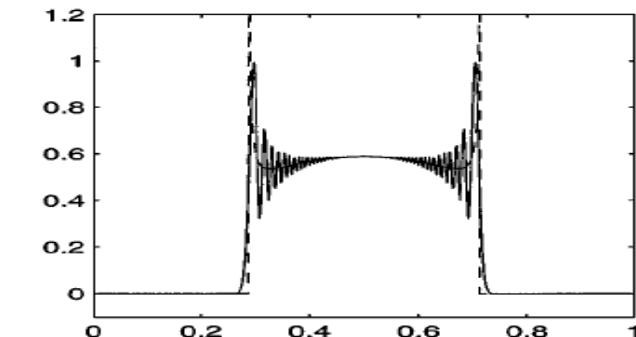
$$\mu_s \phi_s(\vec{x}) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \phi_s + V(\vec{x}) \phi_s + \beta |\phi_s|^2 \phi_s$$

Numerical difficulties

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi + V(\vec{x})\psi + \beta |\psi|^2 \psi, \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad t > 0$$

$$\text{with } \psi(\vec{x}, 0) = \psi_0(\vec{x})$$

- **Dispersive & nonlinear**
- Solution and/or potential are **smooth** but may **oscillate** wildly
- Keep the **properties** of NLS on the discretized level
 - Time reversible & time transverse invariant
 - Mass & energy conservation
 - Dispersion relation
- In **high** dimensions: many-body problems
- Design **efficient & accurate** numerical algorithms
 - **Explicit** vs **implicit** (or computation cost)
 - Spatial/temporal **accuracy, Stability**
 - **Resolution** in strong interaction regime: $\beta \gg 1$



Numerical methods

★ Different methods

- Crank-Nicolson finite difference method (**CNFD**)
- Time-splitting spectral method (**TSSP**)
- Leap-frog (or RK4) + FD (or spectral) methods
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★ Time-splitting spectral method (**TSSP**)

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = (A + B) \psi \quad \text{with} \quad A = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2, \quad B = V(\vec{x}) + \beta |\psi|^2$$

$$\psi(\vec{x}, t_{n+1}) = e^{-i(A+B)\Delta t} \psi(\vec{x}, t_n) \approx \begin{cases} e^{-iA\Delta t} e^{-iB\Delta t} \psi(\vec{x}, t_n) + O((\Delta t)^2) \\ e^{-iA\Delta t/2} e^{-iB\Delta t} e^{-iA\Delta t/2} \psi(\vec{x}, t_n) + O((\Delta t)^3) \\ \dots + O((\Delta t)^5) \end{cases}$$

Time-splitting spectral method (TSSP)

- For $[t_n, t_{n+1}]$, apply time-splitting technique
 - Step 1: Discretize by spectral method & integrate in phase space exactly

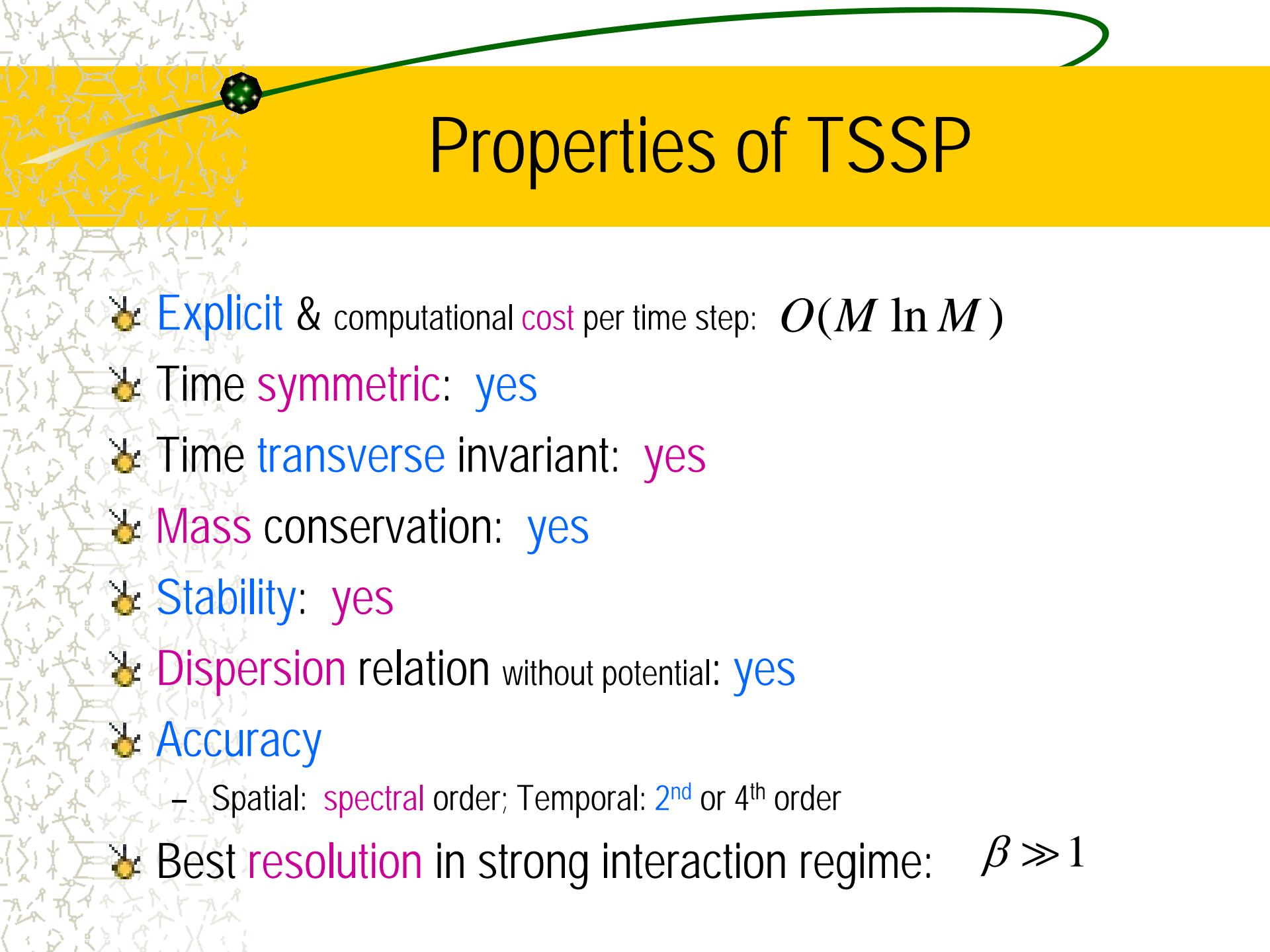
$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi$$

- Step 2: solve the nonlinear ODE analytically

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = V(\vec{x}) \psi(\vec{x}, t) + \beta |\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2 \psi(\vec{x}, t)$$
$$\downarrow \partial_t (|\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2) = 0 \Rightarrow |\psi(\vec{x}, t)| = |\psi(\vec{x}, t_n)|$$

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = V(\vec{x}) \psi(\vec{x}, t) + \beta |\psi(\vec{x}, t_n)|^2 \psi(\vec{x}, t)$$
$$\Rightarrow \psi(\vec{x}, t) = e^{-i(t-t_n)[V(x)+\beta|\psi(\vec{x}, t_n)|^2]} \psi(\vec{x}, t_n)$$

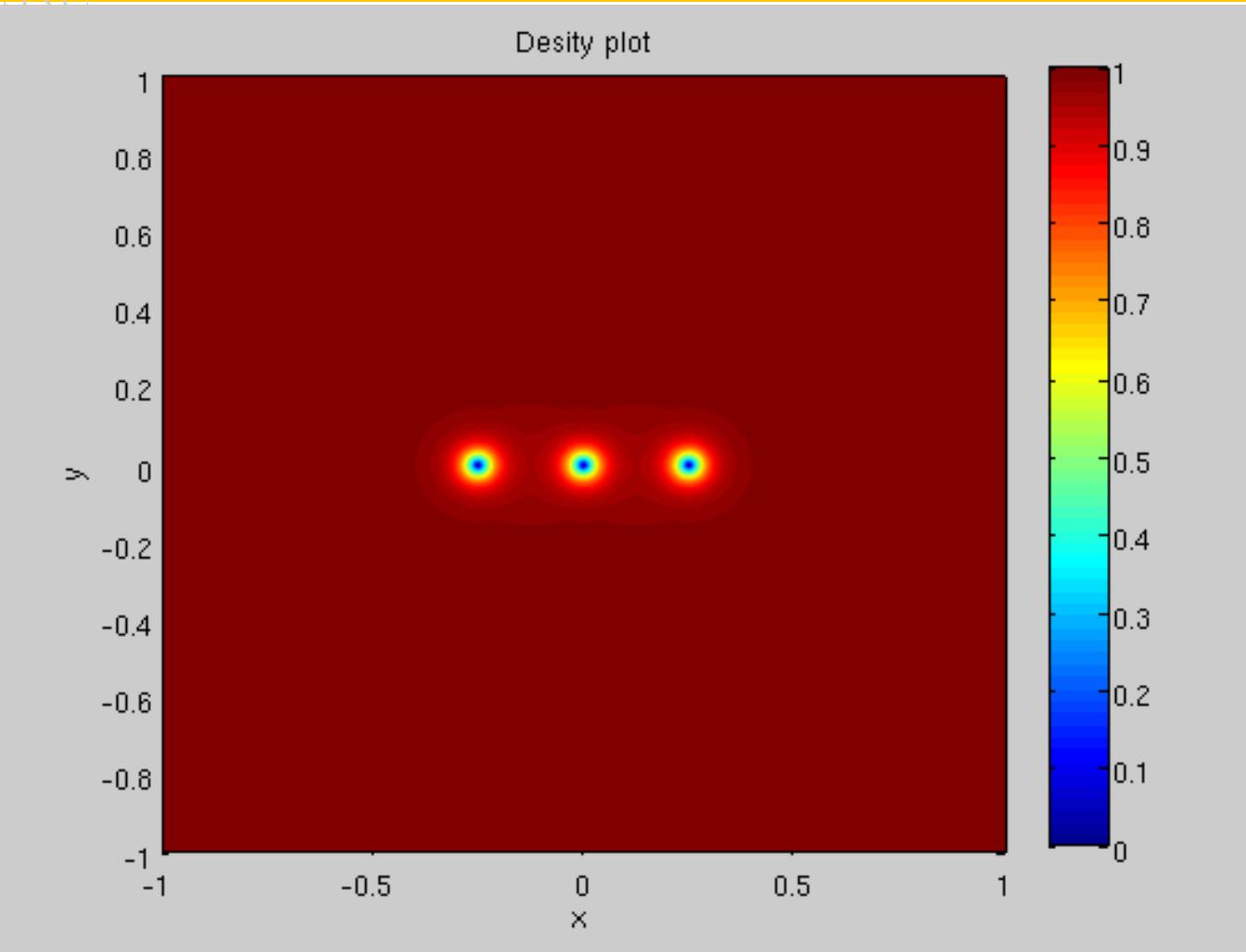
- Use 2nd order Strang splitting (or 4th order time-splitting)



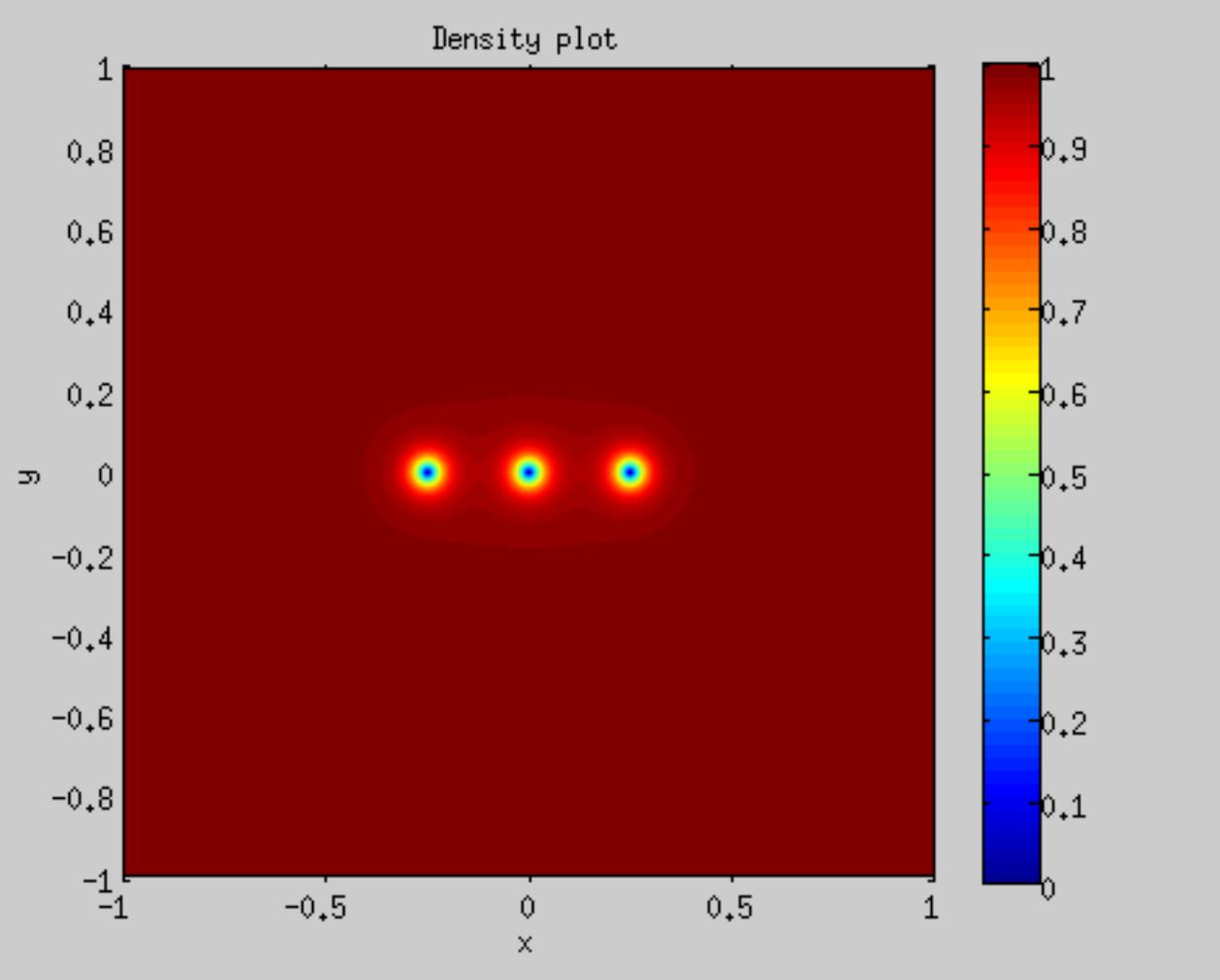
Properties of TSSP

- Explicit & computational cost per time step: $O(M \ln M)$
- Time symmetric: yes
- Time transverse invariant: yes
- Mass conservation: yes
- Stability: yes
- Dispersion relation without potential: yes
- Accuracy
 - Spatial: spectral order; Temporal: 2nd or 4th order
- Best resolution in strong interaction regime: $\beta \gg 1$

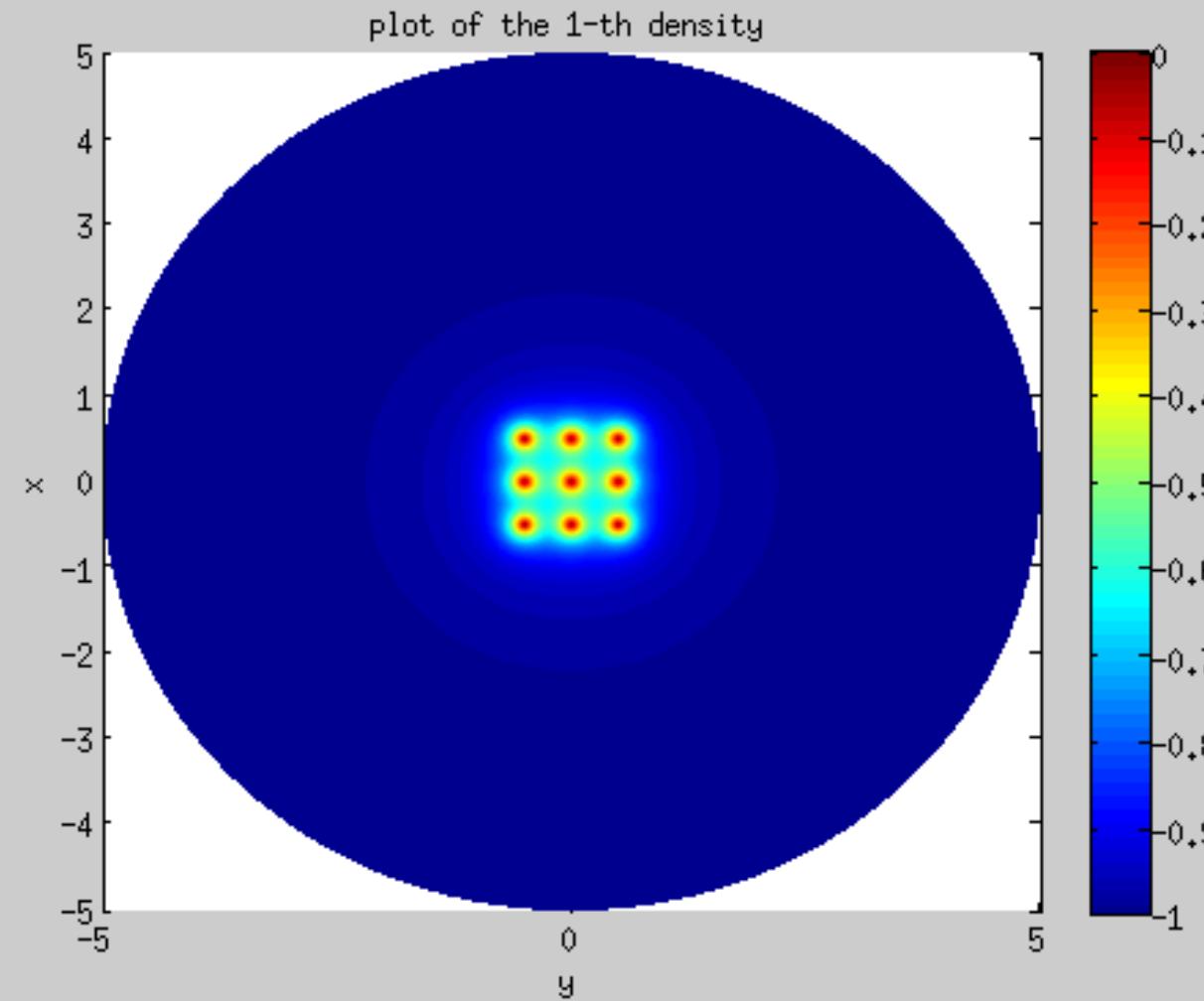
Interaction of 3 like vortices



Interaction of 3 opposite vortices



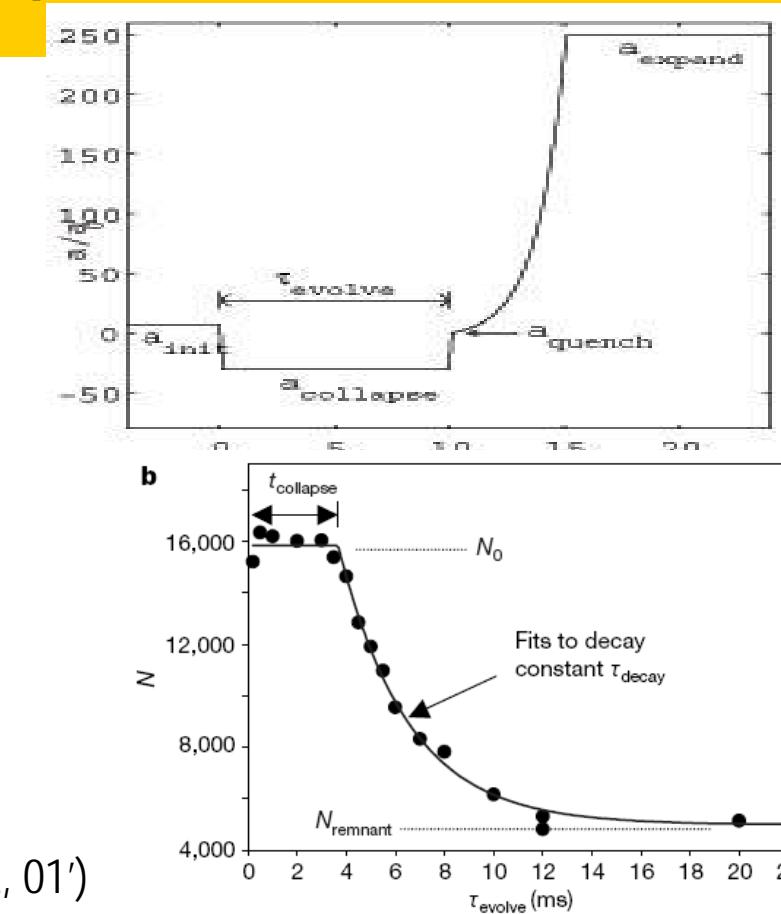
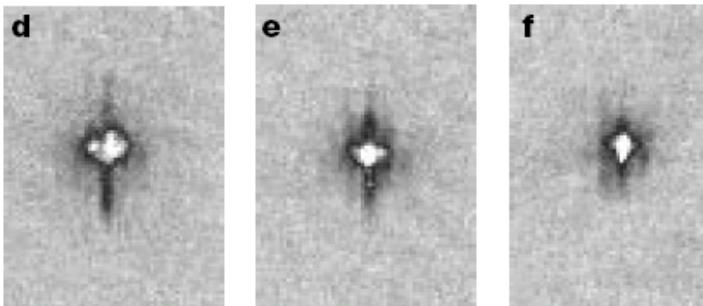
Interaction of a lattice



3D collapse & explosion of BEC

Experiment (Donley et., Nature, 01')

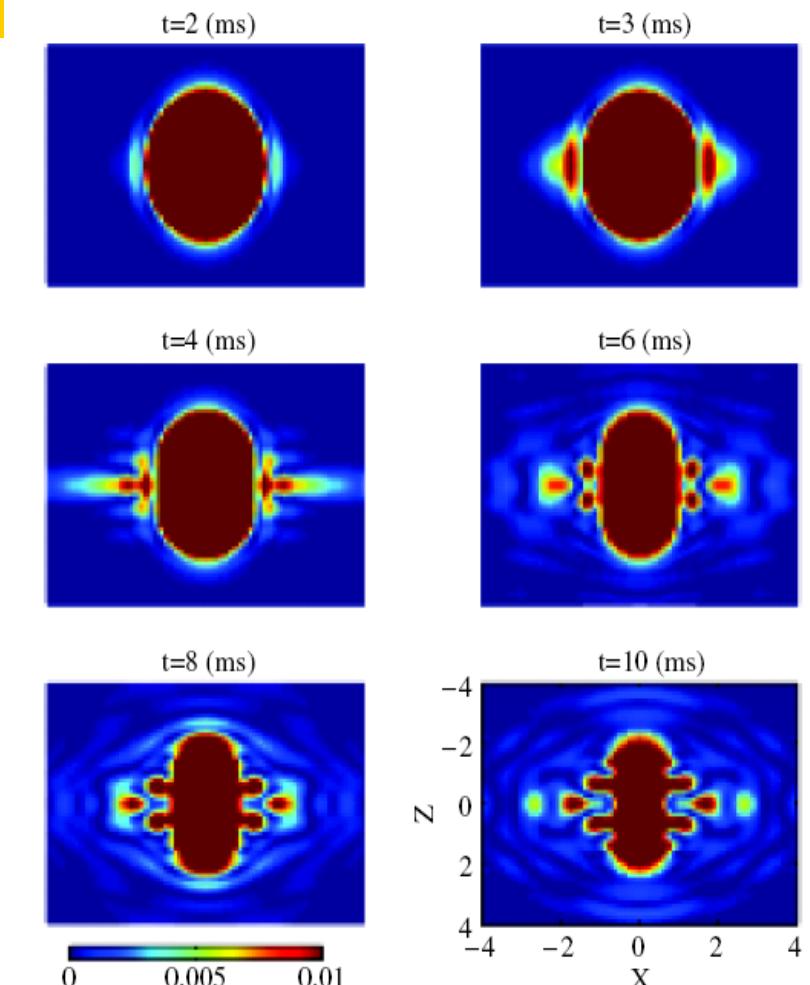
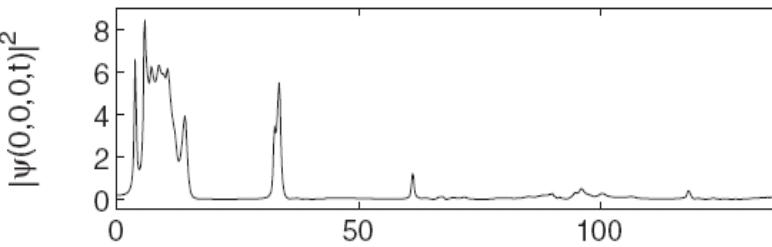
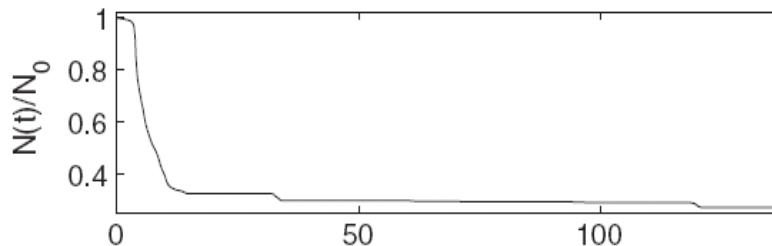
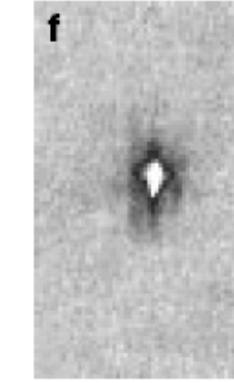
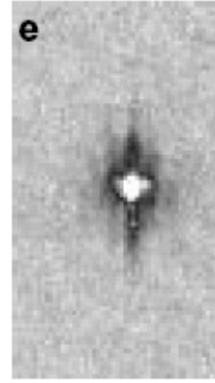
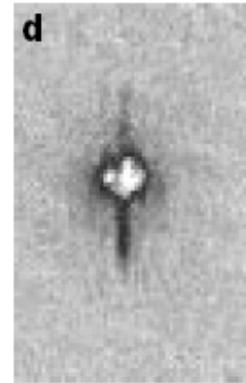
- Start with a stable condensate ($a_s > 0$)
- At $t=0$, change a_s from (+) to (-)
- Three body recombination loss



Mathematical model (Duine & Stoof, PRL, 01')

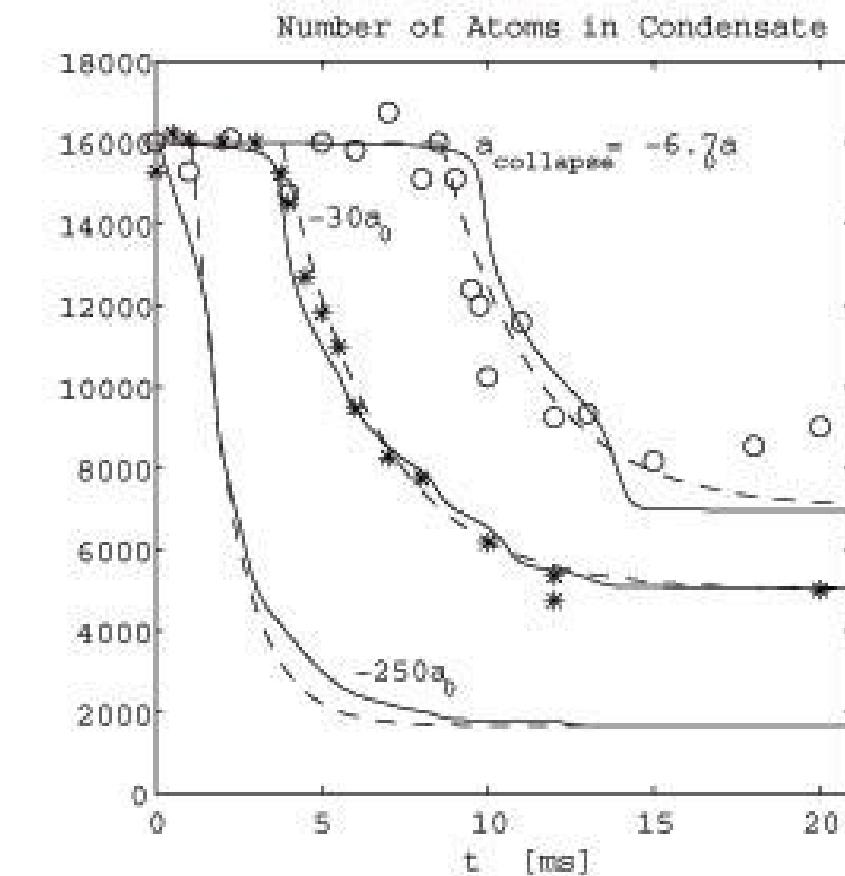
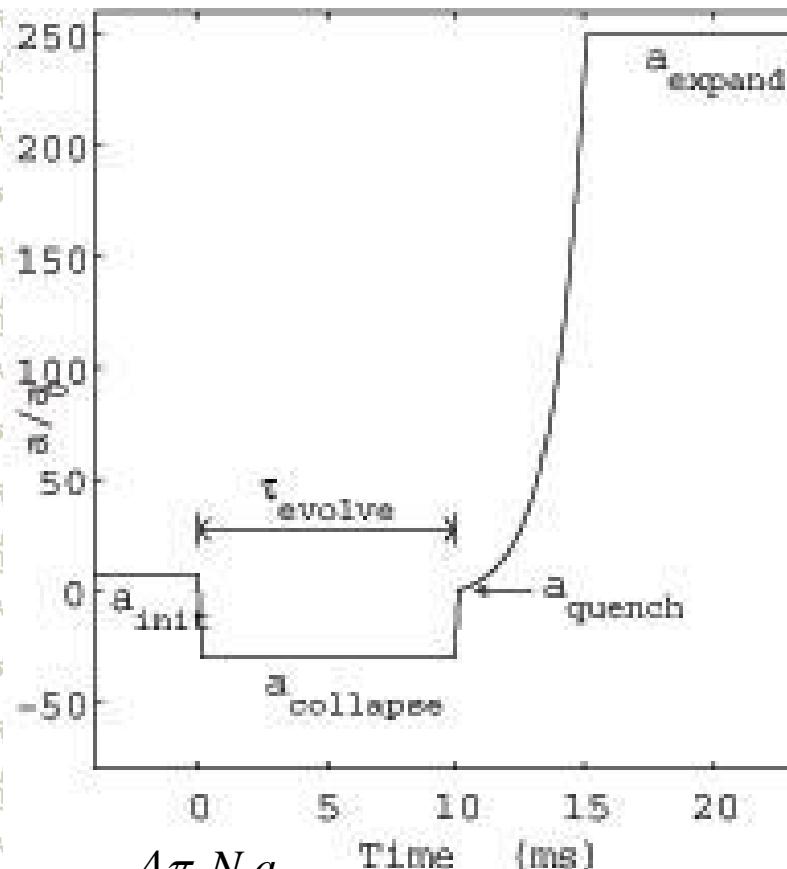
$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi + V(\vec{x})\psi + \beta |\psi|^2 \psi - i\delta_0 \beta^2 |\psi|^4 \psi \quad \beta = \frac{4\pi N a_s}{x_s}$$

Numerical results (Bao et al., J Phys. B, 04)



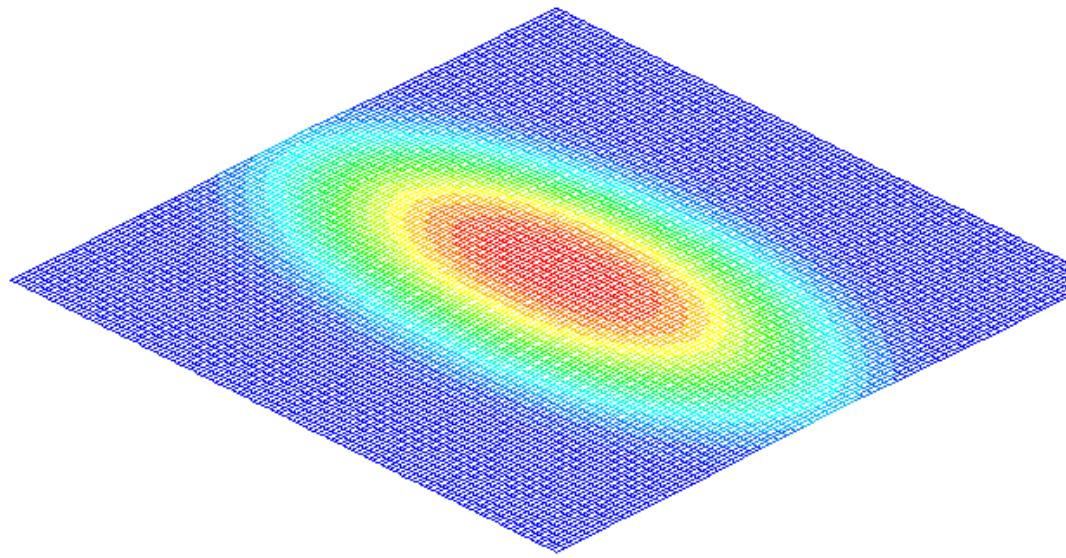
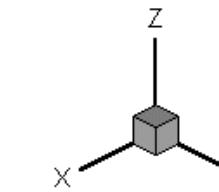
Jet formation

3D Collapse and explosion in BEC



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Extension to GPE with rotation

★ GPE / NLSE with an angular momentum **rotation**

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{x}) - \Omega L_z + \beta |\psi|^2 \right] \psi, \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad t > 0$$

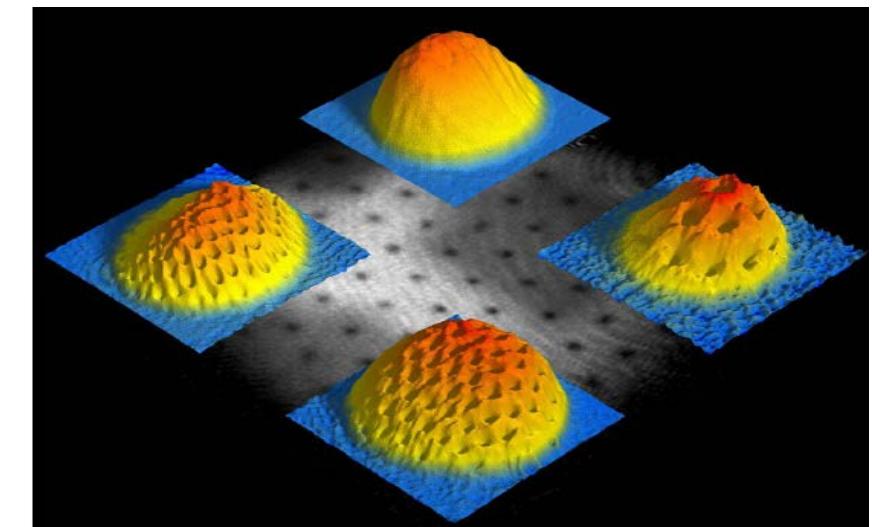
$$L_z := xp_y - yp_x = -i(x\partial_y - y\partial_x) \equiv -i\partial_\theta, \quad L = \vec{x} \times \vec{P}, \quad \vec{P} = -i\nabla$$

★ **Mass** conservation

$$N(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2 d\vec{x}$$

★ **Energy** conservation

$$E_\Omega(\psi) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left[\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \psi|^2 + V(x) |\psi|^2 - \Omega \bar{\psi} L_z \psi + \frac{\beta}{2} |\psi|^4 \right] d\vec{x}$$

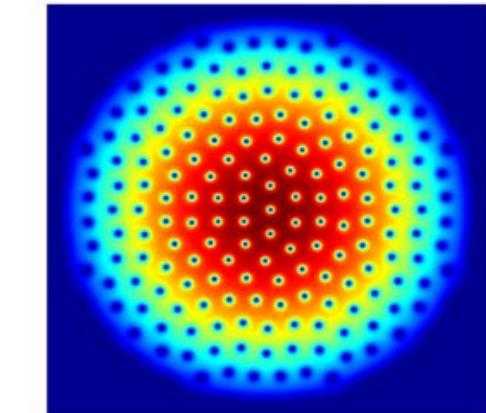


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Ground states

- ★ Ground states – Seiringer, CMP, 02'; Bao,Wang & Markowich, CMS, 05';

$$\min_{\phi \in S} E_\Omega(\phi)$$



- ★ Existence & uniqueness

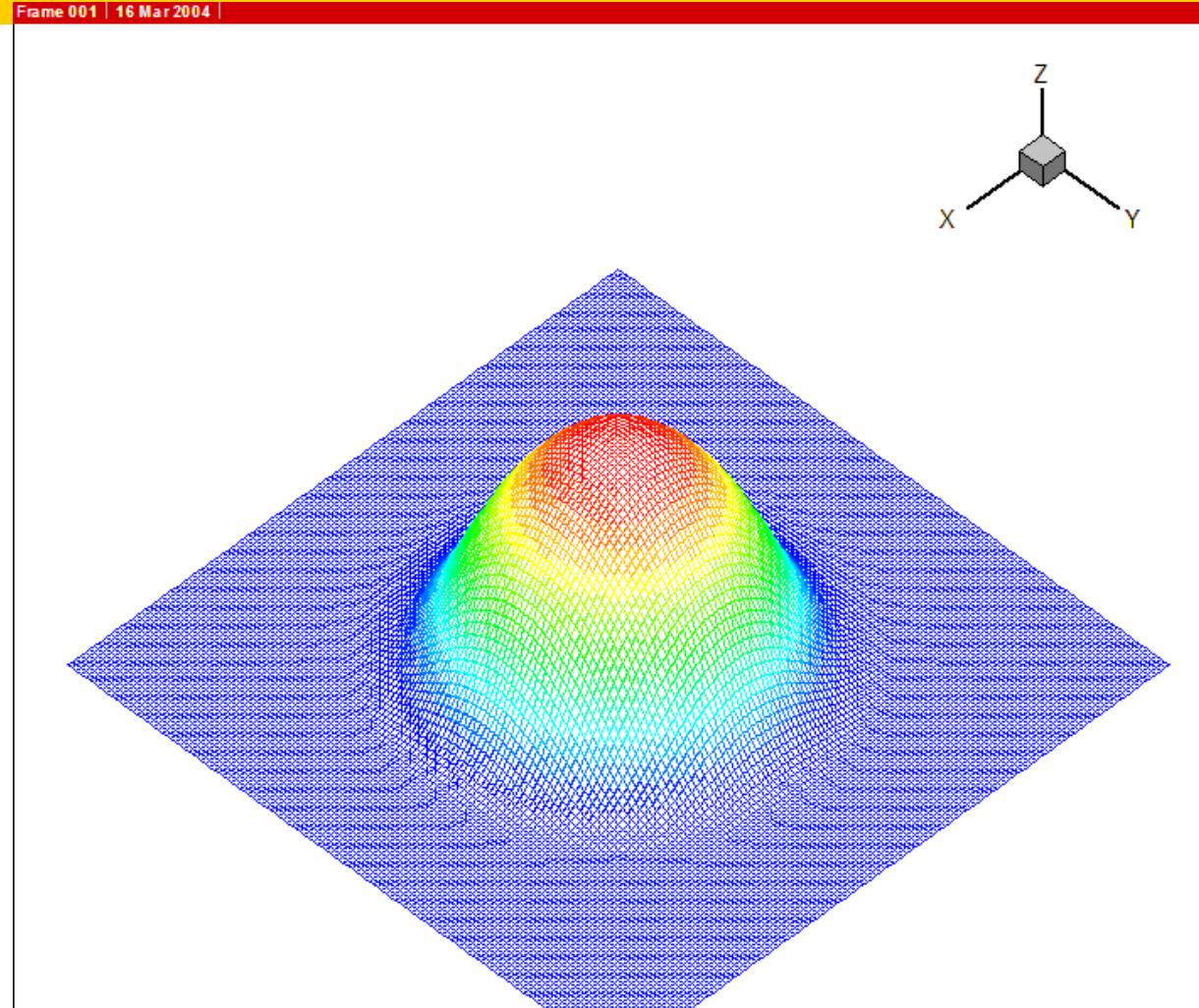
- Exists a ground state when $\beta \geq 0$ & $|\Omega| \leq \min\{\gamma_x, \gamma_y\}$
- Uniqueness when $|\Omega| < \Omega_c(\beta)$
- Quantized vortices appear when $|\Omega| \geq \Omega_c(\beta)$
- Phase transition & bifurcation in energy diagram

- ★ Numerical methods --- GFDN & BEFD or BEFP



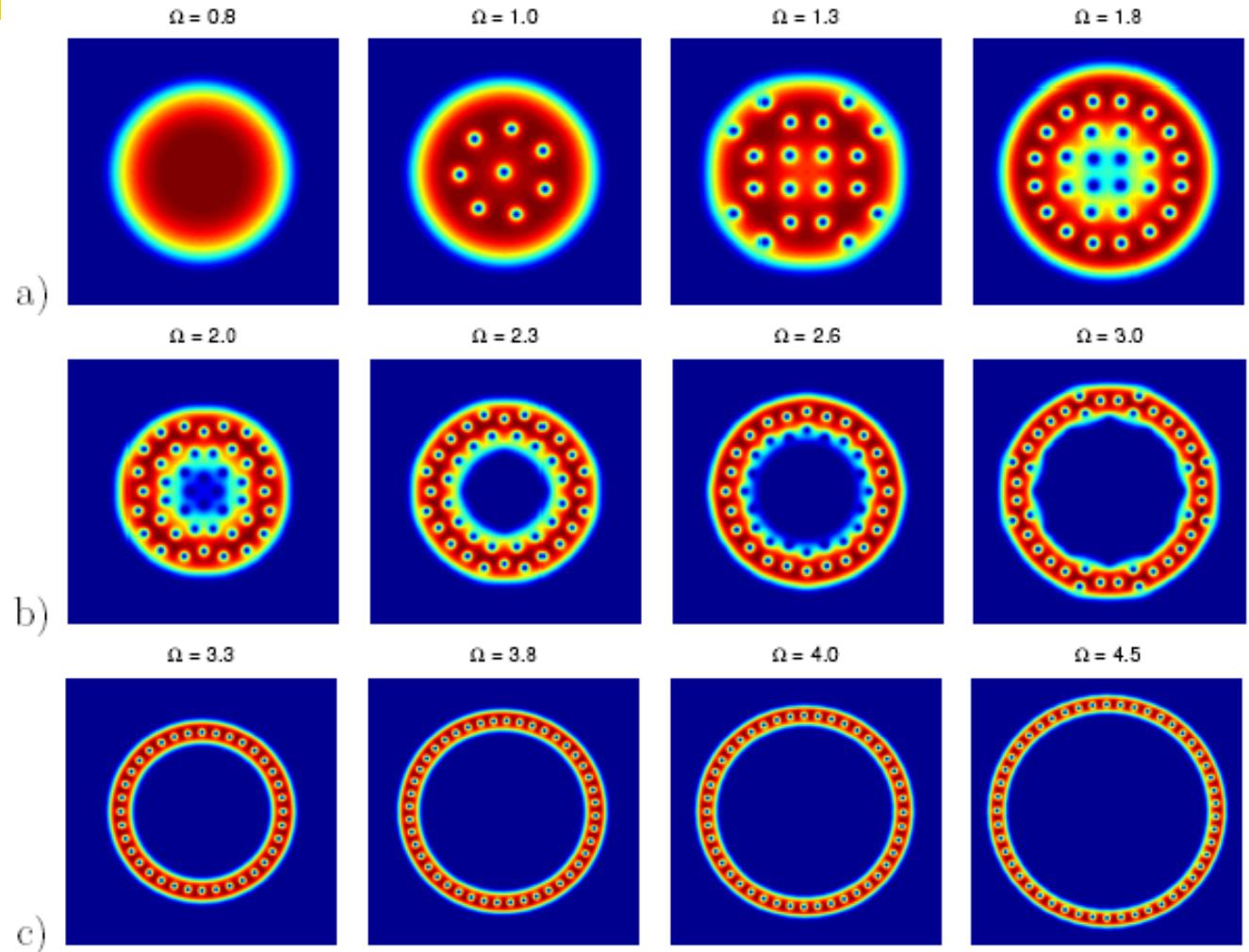
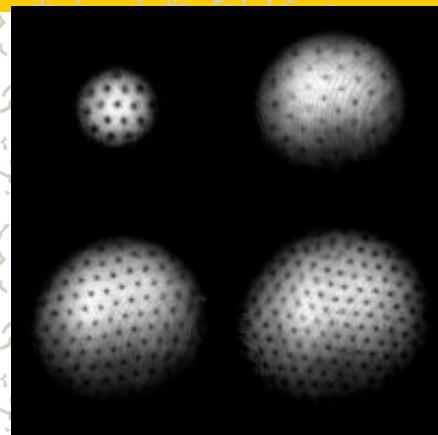
Ground states with different Ω

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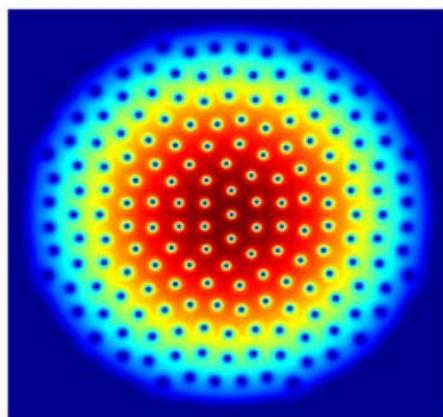




Ground states of rapid rotation



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Dynamics

- Bao, Du & Zhang, SIAP, 05'; Bao & Cai, KRM, 13';

- ★ Numerical methods
- ★ A new formulation

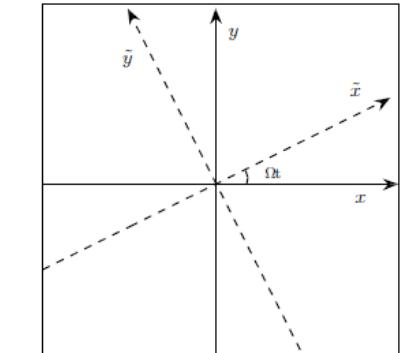
- A rotating **Lagrange** coordinate:

$$A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\Omega t) & \sin(\Omega t) \\ -\sin(\Omega t) & \cos(\Omega t) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } d = 2; \quad A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\Omega t) & \sin(\Omega t) & 0 \\ -\sin(\Omega t) & \cos(\Omega t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } d = 3$$

- **GPE** in rotating Lagrange coordinates

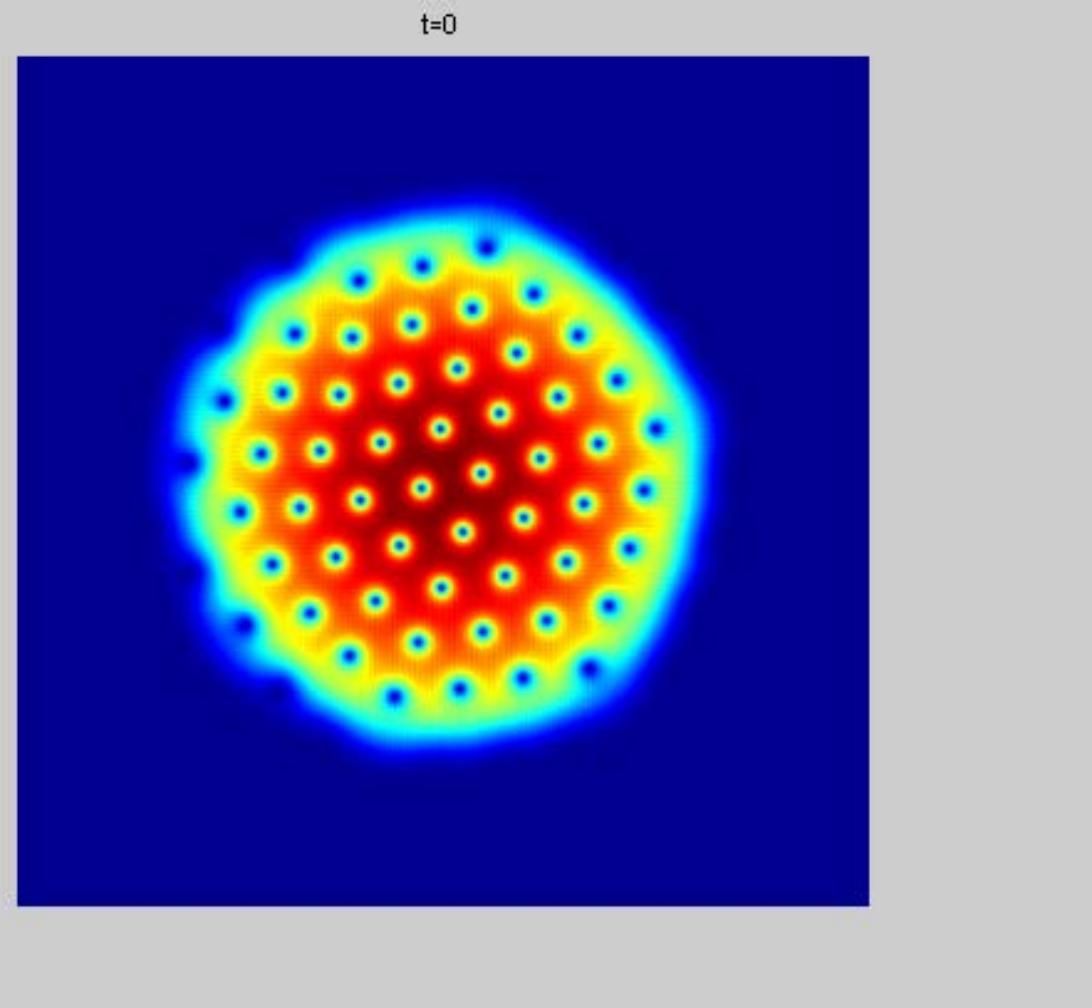
$$i \partial_t \phi(\tilde{x}, t) = \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(A(t)\tilde{x}) + \beta |\phi|^2 \right] \phi, \quad \tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad t > 0$$

- Analysis & numerical methods -- Bao & Wang, JCP6'; Bao, Li & Shen, SISC, 09'; Bao, Marahrens, Tang & Zhang, 13',





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Extension to dipolar quantum gas

★ Gross-Pitaevskii equation (re-scaled) $\psi = \psi(\vec{x}, t)$ $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

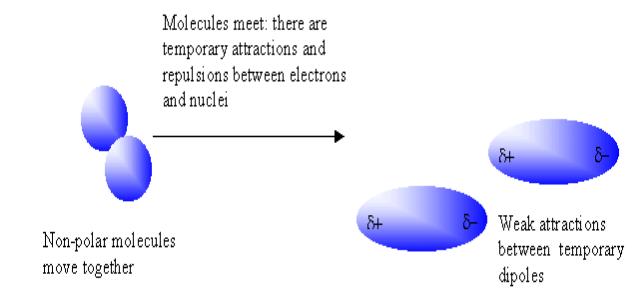
$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{x}) - \Omega L_z + \beta |\psi|^2 + \lambda (U_{\text{dip}} * |\psi|^2) \right] \psi$$

- Trap potential $V(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{2} (\gamma_x^2 x^2 + \gamma_y^2 y^2 + \gamma_z^2 z^2)$
- Interaction constants $\beta = \frac{4\pi N a_s}{x_s}$ (short-range), $\lambda = \frac{mN \mu_0 \mu_{\text{dip}}^2}{3\hbar^2 x_s}$ (long-range)
- Long-range **dipole-dipole** interaction kernel

$$U_{\text{dip}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{1 - 3(\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x})^2 / |\vec{x}|^2}{|\vec{x}|^3} = \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{1 - 3\cos^2(\theta)}{|\vec{x}|^3}$$

★ References:

- L. Santos, et al. PRL 85 (2000), 1791-1797
- S. Yi & L. You, PRA 61 (2001), 041604(R);
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A New Formulation

$$r = |\vec{x}| \quad \& \quad \partial_{\vec{n}} = \vec{n} \cdot \nabla \quad \& \quad \partial_{\vec{n}\vec{n}} = \partial_{\vec{n}}(\partial_{\vec{n}})$$

Using the **identity** (O'Dell et al., PRL 92 (2004), 250401, Parker et al., PRA 79 (2009), 013617)

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\text{dip}}(\vec{x}) &= \frac{3}{4\pi r^3} \left(1 - \frac{3(\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x})^2}{r^2} \right) = -\delta(\vec{x}) - 3\partial_{\vec{n}\vec{n}} \left(\frac{1}{4\pi r} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \quad U_{\text{dip}}(\xi) &= -1 + \frac{3(\vec{n} \cdot \xi)^2}{|\xi|^2} \end{aligned}$$

Dipole-dipole interaction becomes

$$U_{\text{dip}} * |\psi|^2 = -|\psi|^2 - 3\partial_{\vec{n}\vec{n}}\phi$$

$$\phi = \frac{1}{4\pi r} * |\psi|^2 \Leftrightarrow -\nabla^2\phi = |\psi|^2$$

A New Formulation

• Gross-Pitaevskii-Poisson type equations (Bao,Cai & Wang, JCP, 10')

$$i \partial_t \psi(\vec{x}, t) = \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{x}) - \Omega L_z + (\beta - \lambda) |\psi|^2 - 3\lambda \partial_{\vec{n}} \varphi \right] \psi$$

$$-\nabla^2 \varphi(\vec{x}, t) = |\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2, \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \lim_{|\vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\vec{x}, t) = 0$$

- Energy

$$E(\psi(\cdot, t)) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \left[\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \psi|^2 + V(\vec{x}) |\psi|^2 - \Omega \bar{\psi} L_z \psi + \frac{\beta - \lambda}{2} |\psi|^4 + \frac{3\lambda}{2} |\partial_{\vec{n}} \nabla \varphi|^2 \right] d\vec{x}$$

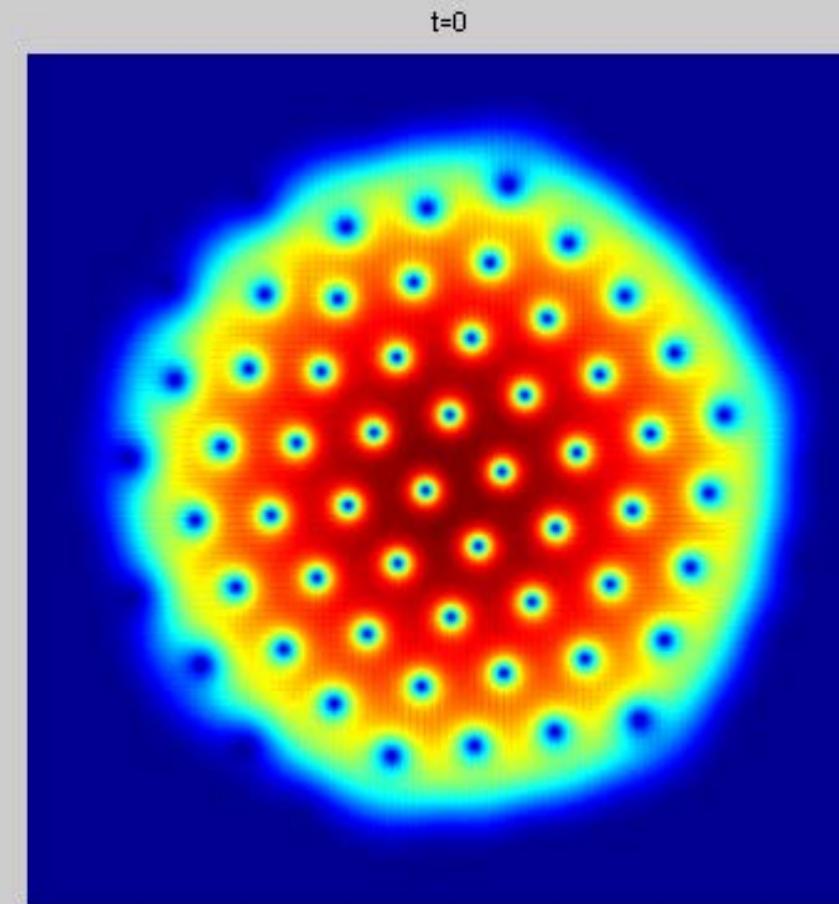
- Model in 2D $\xrightarrow{2D}$ $(-\Delta_{\perp})^{1/2} \varphi(\vec{x}, t) = |\psi(\vec{x}, t)|^2, \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad \lim_{|\vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\vec{x}, t) = 0$

• Ground state – Bao, Cai & Wang, JCP, 10'; Bao, Ben Abdallah & Cai, SIMA, 12'

• Dynamics – Bao, Cai & Wang, JCP, 10'; Bao & Cai, KRM, 13' $\beta \geq 0 \text{ & } -\frac{\beta}{2} \leq \lambda \leq \beta$

• Dimension reduction – Cai, Rosenkranz, Lei & Bao, PRA, 10'; Bao & Cai, KRM, 13'

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Coupled GPEs

Spinor F=1 BEC

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_1 = [-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{x}) + \beta_n \rho] \psi_1 + \beta_s (\rho_1 + \rho_0 - \rho_{-1}) \psi_1 + \beta_s \psi_{-1}^* \psi_0^2$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_0 = [-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{x}) + \beta_n \rho] \psi_0 + \beta_s (\rho_1 + \rho_{-1}) \psi_1 + 2 \beta_s \psi_1 \psi_{-1} \psi_0^*$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_{-1} = [-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{x}) + \beta_n \rho] \psi_{-1} + \beta_s (\rho_{-1} + \rho_0 - \rho_1) \psi_1 + \beta_s \psi_1^* \psi_0^2$$

With

$$\rho = \rho_{-1} + \rho_0 + \rho_1, \quad \rho_j = |\psi_j|^2, \quad \beta_n = \frac{4\pi N(a_0 + 2a_2)}{3x_s}, \quad g_s = \frac{4\pi N(a_2 - a_0)}{3x_s}$$

a_0, a_2 : s-wave scattering length with the total spin 0 and 2 channels

Analysis & numerical methods:

- For ground state ([Bao & Wang](#), SIAM J. Numer. Anal., 07'; Bao & Lim, SISC, 08'; PRE, 08')
- For Dynamics ([Bao, Markowich, Schmeiser & Weisshaupl](#), M3AS, 05')

Conclusions & Future Challenges



Conclusions:

- NLSE / GPE – brief derivation
- Ground states
 - Existence, uniqueness, non-existence
 - Numerical methods -- BEFD
- Dynamics
 - Well-posedness & dynamical laws
 - Numerical methods -- TSSP



Future Challenges

- System of NLSE/GPE; with random potential; high dimensions
- Coupling GPE & Quantum Boltzmann equation (QBE)

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