Detection of Spin Orders with Cavity QED

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Here I give an introduction to several detection methods of strongly correlated quantum phases in ultracold atomic gases. A general cavity-enhanced scheme is developed for detecting spin orders inside a two-component lattice gas of bosonic atoms.

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Talk Outline

- Several paradigm examples of strongly correlated states:
 - Mott insulator
 - Tonks gas
 - Bose glass

Talk Outline

Novel Methods of Detection

- Atomic Noise Interferometry HBT
- QND Detection 1D Quantum AF Polarized Light
- Cavity Optomechanics Strong Interacting – Exotic Quantum Phases
- Cavity Enhanced Detection





Bose-Hubbard model

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

$$H_{\rm B} = -J \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(a_{\ell}^{\dagger} a_{\ell+1} + a_{\ell+1}^{\dagger} a_{\ell} \right) + b \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} \ell^2 a_{\ell}^{\dagger} a_{\ell}$$

$$V = U \sum_{\ell = -\infty} a_{\ell}^{\dagger 2} a_{\ell}^{2}$$

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Boson

Superfluid state BEC: Interference pattern



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Three-body interactions with cold polar molecules

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$$V_{\text{eff}}(\{\mathbf{r}_i\}) = \sum_{i < j} V(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j) + \sum_{i < j < k} W(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j, \mathbf{r}_k) + \cdots$$

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Fundamental interactions between particles, such as the Coulomb law, involve pairs of particles, and our understanding of the plethora of phenomena in condensed-matter physics rests on models involving effective two-body interactions. On the other hand, exotic quantum phases, such as topological phases or spin liquids, are often identified as ground states of hamiltonians with threeor more-body terms. Although the study of these phases and the properties of their excitations is currently one of the most exciting developments in theoretical condensed-matter physics, it is difficult to identify real physical systems exhibiting such properties. Here, we show that polar molecules in optical lattices driven by microwave fields naturally give rise to Hubbard models with strong nearest-neighbour three-body interactions, whereas the two-body terms can be tuned with external fields. This may open a new route for an experimental study of exotic quantum phases with quantum degenerate molecular gases.

Boson

$$\begin{split} \hat{H} &= -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{c}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j} + \frac{U}{2} \sum_{i} \hat{n}_{i} (\hat{n}_{i} - 1) \\ &+ \frac{W}{6} \sum_{i} \hat{n}_{i} (\hat{n}_{i} - 1) (\hat{n}_{i} - 2) - \mu \sum_{i} \hat{n}_{i}, \end{split}$$

Global Phase Diagram with three-body interaction (MFT)

Chen, Huang, Kou, Zhang PRA to appear Idea from Nature Physics **3**, 726(2007)





Quantum Monte-Carlo – Solid Phase at filling n=2/3







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Boson

Theory: V. A. Kashurnikov, et.al. PRA 2002 **Experiments:** Bloch & Ketterle group 2006

Wedding cake structure in presence of trap





Fermion

metallic state: Hopping, conducting



Mott insulating state: No double occupancy, no hole

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Fermion

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle,\sigma} \hat{c}_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j,\sigma} + U \sum_{i} \hat{n}_{i,\downarrow} \hat{n}_{i,\uparrow} + V_t \sum_{i} (i_x^2 + i_y^2 + \gamma^2 i_z^2) \left(\hat{n}_{i,\downarrow} + \hat{n}_{i,\uparrow} \right).$$

3 energy scales: J, U, V_t

0809.1464 Confinement is more prominent in Fermion case





Lewi Tonks



Marvin D. Girardeau



Tonks 1936

Girardeau 1960

Paredes et.al. Nature 2004 Kinoshita et.al. Science 2004

Condensed-matter physics

Atomic beads on strings of light

Murray J. Holland

A new regime of strongly correlated quantum behaviour has been reached with the creation of a one-dimensional Tonks–Girardeau gas from ultracold atoms trapped within thin tubes of light.

In physics, a Tonks-Girardeau gas is a Bose-Einstein Condensate in which the repulsive interactions between bosonic particles confined to one dimension dominate the physics of the system

dimension dominate the physics of the system. In order to minimize their mutual repulsion, the bosons are prevented from occupying the same position in space. This mimics the Pauli exclusion principle for fermions, causing the bosonic particles to exhibit fermionic properties^{1,2}. However, such bosons do not exhibit completely ideal fermionic (or bosonic) quantum behaviour; for example, this is reflected in their characteristic momentum distribution³.

Bose-Fermi Mapping

$$\psi_{\mathbf{B}}(z_1,\ldots,z_N)=A(z_1,\ldots,z_N)\psi_{\mathbf{F}}(z_1,\ldots,z_N)$$

$$A(z_1,\ldots,z_N) = \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} \operatorname{sgn}(z_k - z_j)$$

A Powerful Generalization Cheon and Shigehara PRL 1999

Bosons with strong but finite interactions map to spinless fermions with weak short-range interactions



The case of intermediate/finite interaction is more interesting ...

1D Bose Gas - LL Model

$$H = \sum_{i} \left[\frac{p_i^2}{2m} + V_{\text{ext}}(x_i) \right] + \frac{\hbar^2}{m} c \sum_{i < j} \delta(x_i - x_j)$$

 \Box 1D Bosons with repulsive δ interactions

- Ground- and excited-state of homogeneous system (V_{ext}=0) are exactly known from Bethe ansatz [Lieb, Liniger 1963]
- □ For interaction parameter $\gamma = mg/\hbar^2 n > > 1$, problem is mapped exactly to TG gas

The case of intermediate/finite interaction is more interesting ...

More 1D Models

- 1D Bose Gas in Hard Wall
- p-wave interacting Fermion gas
- \Box Potential with a δ -split
- Anyon gas

□ ...

2 component, mixture

Shu Chen's Talk

The case of intermediate/finite interaction is more interesting ...

Mott Insulator and 1D Cold Atomic Gas are examples of strongly correlated states.

Novel Methods of Detection

- Standard Detection Method
 - Releasing the atoms from the trap
 - Destructive absorption spectroscopy
 - Measurement
 - (Spin) density-density correlation
 - Higher order correlation functions





Novel Methods of Detection

Novel Methods

atomic noise interferometry (Hanbury Brown-Twiss)

Altman *PRA* 70, 013603(2004) theoretical scheme Fölling *Nature* 434, 481(2005) ⁸⁷Rb pair correlation (MI) Rom *Nature* 444, 733(2006) ⁴⁰K anti-bunching (BI) Schellekens *Science* 310, 648(2005) ⁴He Bosonic HBT Jeltes *Nature* 445, 402 (2007) ³He Fermionic HBT

Hongwei Xiong's Talk

$H = J \sum_{j} \left[(\cos \theta) \mathbf{S}_{j} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1} + \sin \theta (\mathbf{S}_{j} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1}) \right]$ $\Delta = 0$	²] Bilinear-Biquadratic S=1 Heisenberg AFM chain
trimerized phase ferromagnetic	Haldane phase: - $\pi/4 < \theta < \pi/4$
phase $AKLT (\beta = 1/3)$ Haldane ($\theta = 0$)	$\Delta = 0.411 J \text{ at } \theta = 0$ for S=1, ξ=6
Haldane phase	Δ =0.085J at θ = 0 for S=2, ξ =49
Takhtajan, Babujan $(\theta = -\pi/4)$ $\Delta = 0$ Barber, Batchelor ($\theta = -\pi/2$)	Critical points separating Haldane phase from others



Figure 1 Antiferromagnetic states of spin-1 lattice systems. a, 3D cubic lattice with a paramagnetic state of unpolarized atoms. b, Dimerized state with pairs of neighbouring atoms forming singlets. c, Trimerized state with triples of neighbouring atoms forming singlets. d, AKLT state obtained from a concatenation of spin-1/2 singlets by projecting pairs of spins from different bonds into the subspace of total spin-1 (ref. 25).

Off-resonant interaction of spin-F atoms with a polarized light beam propagating in the z direction

$$\hat{H} = -\int_{0}^{L} \mathrm{d}z \,\rho A \left(a_{0} \hat{\phi} + a_{1} \hat{s}_{z} \hat{j}_{z} + a_{2} \left[\hat{\phi} \hat{j}_{z}^{2} - \hat{s}_{-} \hat{j}_{+}^{2} - \hat{s}_{+} \hat{j}_{-}^{2} \right] \right)$$



Off-resonant interaction of spin-F atoms with a polarized light beam propagating in the z direction

$$\hat{H} = -\kappa \hat{s}_3 \hat{J}_z^{\text{eff}}$$
 $\hat{J}^{\text{eff}} = \sum_n c_n \hat{j}(z_n)$



Off-resonant interaction of spin-F atoms with a polarized light beam propagating in the z direction

$$\hat{S}_{y}^{\text{out}}(t) = \hat{S}_{y}^{\text{in}}(t) + aS_{x}\hat{J}_{z}(t),
\hat{S}_{z}^{\text{out}}(t) = \hat{S}_{z}^{\text{in}}(t),
\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\hat{J}_{y}(t) = aJ_{x}\hat{S}_{z}^{\text{in}}(t),
\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\hat{J}_{z}(t) = 0, \quad \text{OND}
a = -\frac{\gamma}{4A\Delta}\frac{\lambda^{2}}{2\pi}a_{1}.$$

$$\hat{S}_{i} = \int s_{i}dt
\langle \hat{S}_{1} \rangle = N_{\text{ph}}/2 \gg 1
\hat{X} = \hat{S}_{2}/\sqrt{N_{\text{ph}}}, \hat{P} = \hat{S}_{3}/\sqrt{N_{\text{ph}}}
\hat{X}_{out} = \hat{X}_{\text{in}} - \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{FN_{at}}}\hat{J}_{z}^{\text{eff}}
J_{z} \text{ imprinted on X}$$



Detection of antiferromagnetic states of spin-1 lattice systems.





Quantum measurement - decoherence



Optical Cavity/Optical Resonator

Cavity QED

In addition to the coherent atom-field interactions, the system possesses two prominent decay channels: an excited atom may spontaneously emit light out of

the cavity mode, and light may leak out through the cavity mirrors

- Caltech:
 J. Kimble
 Munich:
 - G. Rempe

The great advantage of employing a cavity is that these **decoherence** rates can be made small relative to the cavity mediated atom-field interaction. $\Gamma_{at}, \Gamma_{cav} << \Omega_0$



Most experimental and theoretical investigations in Cavity QED study the interactions of a single mode of the electro-magnetic field with a two-level atom. In this case, the dynamics may be modeled by the unconditional **master equation**

$$\dot{
ho} = -i[\mathcal{H},
ho] + 2\kappa \mathcal{D}[a]
ho + \gamma_{||}\mathcal{D}[\sigma_{-}]
ho$$

where H is the Hamiltonian in a frame rotating at the frequency of the driving field

$$\mathcal{H} = \Delta_c a^{\dagger} a + \Delta_a \sigma_+ \sigma_- + i g_0 (a^{\dagger} \sigma_- - a \sigma_+) + i \mathcal{E}(a^{\dagger} - a)^{\dagger}$$

Cavity Optomechanics



Conversion of mechanical displacement dx to the phase change do

Cavity Optomechanics



Coupling of optical $d\alpha$ and mechanical dx degrees of freedom

Cavity Optomechanics



Cavity Probing

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Probing quantum phases of ultracold atoms in optical lattices by transmission spectra in cavity quantum electrodynamics

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Atomic quantum statistics can be mapped on transmission spectra of high-*Q* cavities

A new detection scheme



$$\dot{a}_{l} = -i \left(\omega_{l} + \delta_{l} \hat{D}_{ll} \right) a_{l} - i \delta_{m} \hat{D}_{lm} a_{m} - \kappa a_{l} + \eta_{l}(t),$$

with $\hat{D}_{lm} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{K} u_{l}^{*}(\mathbf{r}_{i}) u_{m}(\mathbf{r}_{i}) \hat{n}_{i},$



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Cavity-enhanced detection of magnetic orders in lattice spin models

2-species Bose-Hubbard model

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Counterflow Superfluidity of Two-Species Ultracold Atoms in a Commensurate Optical Lattice

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In the Mott-insulator regime, two species of ultracold atoms in an optical lattice can exhibit the lowenergy counterflow motion. We construct effective Hamiltonians for the three classes of the two-species (fermion-fermion, boson-boson, and boson-fermion-type) insulators and reveal the conditions when the resulting ground state supports super-counter-fluidity (SCF), with the alternative being phase segregation. We emphasize a crucial role of breaking the isotopic symmetry between the species for realizing the SCF phase.

> Super-Counter-Fluidity (SCF) Paired Superfluid Vacuum (PCF)

2-species Bose-Hubbard model

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Controlling Spin Exchange Interactions of Ultracold Atoms in Optical Lattices

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We describe a general technique that allows one to induce and control strong interaction between spin states of neighboring atoms in an optical lattice. We show that the properties of spin exchange interactions, such as magnitude, sign, and anisotropy, can be designed by adjusting the optical potentials. We illustrate how this technique can be used to efficiently "engineer" quantum spin systems with desired properties, for specific examples ranging from scalable quantum computation to probing a model with complex topological order that supports exotic anyonic excitations.

> XXZ Kitaev Model

2-species Bose-Hubbard model

$$H = -\sum_{\langle ij \rangle \sigma} (t_{\mu\sigma} a_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} a_{j\sigma} + \text{H.c.}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,\sigma} U_{\sigma} n_{i\sigma} (n_{i\sigma} - 1) + U_{\uparrow\downarrow} \sum_{i} n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow},$$
(1)
Definition of spin order
$$\mathbf{S}_{b} = (1/2) \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} a_{b\sigma}^{\dagger} \vec{\sigma}_{\sigma\sigma'} a_{b\sigma}$$

$$t_{\mu\sigma} \ll U_{\sigma} \quad H = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} [\lambda_{\mu z} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z \pm \lambda_{\mu \perp} (\sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_j^y)].$$

Phase Diagram

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□ SF

$$|\Psi_{SF}\rangle = \left(1/\sqrt{M^{N_1}N_1!M^{N_2}N_2!}\right)\left(\sum_i b_{i1}^+\right)^{N_1}\left(\sum_i b_{i2}^+\right)^{N_2}|0\rangle$$

$$\square \mathsf{MI}$$

$$|\Psi\rangle = \prod_{i \in A, j \in B} |\psi_{A}\rangle_{i} |\psi_{B}\rangle_{j}$$

$$|\psi_{AB}\rangle = \cos \frac{\theta_{AB}}{2} |1,0\rangle_{i} + \exp(i\phi_{AB}) \sin \frac{\theta_{AB}}{2} |0,1\rangle_{i}$$

$$= \exp(i\phi_{AB}) \sin \frac{\theta_{AB}}{2} |0,1\rangle_{i}$$



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Experimental Setup



Schematic illustration of the proposed experimental setup and the level diagram for a bosonic atom with two states resonantly coupled to the two cavities.

Model Hamiltonian



Semiclassical Approximation

No probe light $\eta=0$ and a_2 classical light - constant c-number

$$a_1^{\dagger}a_1 = \left|C\right|^2 \hat{D}^{\dagger}\hat{D}$$

$$C = -i\Omega a_2 / (i\Delta_{12} + \kappa)$$

$$\hat{D} = \sum_{i=1}^{K} A_i S_i^{-}$$

 $A_i(\theta_1, \theta_2) = u_1^*(\mathbf{r}_i)u_2(\mathbf{r}_i)$ This operator is Spin related

Semiclassical Approximation



TABLE I: Cavity 1 photon number for the four quantum phases of the two-component Bose-Hubbard model at the diffraction maxima (minima) with $\theta_1 = 0$ ($\theta_1 = \pi/2$) and $\theta_2 = 0$.

Scattered Photon Number

Semiclassical Approximation



 $R(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \langle D^{\dagger}D \rangle - \langle D^{\dagger} \rangle \langle D \rangle$

Angular distribution of noise function R characterizes the quantum fluctuation of lattice spins

Traveling wave Standing wave

Coherent Pumping

$$\langle a_1^+a_1\rangle = \eta^2 (\kappa^2 + \zeta_2^2)/B, \qquad \langle a_2^+a_2\rangle = \eta^2 \alpha^* \alpha / B$$

$$B = \kappa^4 + \kappa^2 \left(\zeta_1^2 + \zeta_2^2 + 2\alpha^*\alpha\right) + \left(\zeta_1\zeta_2 - \alpha^*\alpha\right)^2$$

$$\alpha = \Omega \sum_{i}^{K} A_{i} \left\langle S_{i}^{-} \right\rangle, \qquad \Delta_{lp} = \omega_{l} - \omega_{1p}$$
$$\zeta_{l} = \Delta_{lp} + \delta_{l} \sum_{i}^{K} \left\langle n_{il} \right\rangle$$

Coherent Pumping



Cavity 1 photon numbers as a function of cavity-probe detuning

Summary

- Two examples of Strongly Correlated Quantum States in Ultracold Atoms
- Novel Detection Methods
- Cavity-enhanced Detection of Spin Orders in 2-component Lattice
- Application in Other Exotic Quantum Phases

