Transition de phase quantique de Dicke dans un gaz superfluide en cavité optique



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Cavity QED meets BEC - why?



• As a tool for cavity QED:

- ► collective coupling: N^{1/2} enhancement
- control of external degrees of freedom: quantized external degrees of freedom better control of the coupling Cavity-based single atom preparation and high-fidelity state read-out, R. Gehr et al, PRL 104 (2010)

 Combining quantum optics and many-body physics new physical system for many body physics optical CQED toolbox





Collective Rabi splitting ETH Zürich and LKB, 2007 Brennecke et al, & Colombe et al., Nature 450

Many body physics in cavity

- Particle-particle interactions support collective behavior
- Most drastic collective phenomenon: phase transition



Cavity: mediates effective long-range atom-atom interactions

(if moderate) (if strong)

nonlinearity, instability @previous experiments

novel phase diagram / quantum phase transitions

Cold atoms in cavity-generated dnamical optical lattice potentials, recent review: H. Ritsch et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. 85 (2013)





this talk

theoretical proposals: M. Lewenstein, H. Ritsch, P. Domokos...

Physical system (on paper)



Bose-Einstein condensate

- ~10⁵ atoms (⁸⁷Rb)
- T ~100nK

High-finesse optical cavity

- length = $178 \,\mu m$
- finesse $= 340\ 000$

Pump laser field close detuned to cavity resonance

 $\gamma = 2\pi \times 3 \text{ MHz}$

 $g_0 > \kappa, \gamma$

 $\kappa = 2\pi \times 1.3 \text{ MHz}$ $g_0 = 2\pi \times 10.9 \text{ MHz}$ • single-atom strong coupling regime

Physical system (in 3D)

vacuum tank/cavity beam control and shaping SPCM



operators: *german-french adaptor*

MOT/molasse, dipole trap; cavity lock and probe chain

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For coupling only to external degrees of freedom: dispersive interaction

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• close detuned to cavity resonance • far detuned from atomic resonance

Dispersive interaction



 $\hat{H}_c = -\hbar\Delta_c \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} - i\hbar\eta_c (\hat{a} - \hat{a}^{\dagger}) + \hbar\eta(\mathbf{r})(\hat{a}^{\dagger} + \hat{a})$ $\hat{H}_{a-c} = \hbar U_0 \phi(\mathbf{r})|^2 \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}.$

 $U_{0} = \frac{g_{0}^{2}}{\Delta_{a}} \checkmark \text{shift of atom energy, per photon cavity field for atoms: optical lattice shift of cavity frequency, per photon atoms for cavity: index of refraction$

 $\psi = f(\alpha)$



Dispersive interaction

 $\hat{H}_{(1)} = \hat{H}_a + \hat{H}_c + \hat{H}_{a-c}$



$$\hat{H}_{a} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{2}}{2m} + V_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r})$$
$$\hat{H}_{c} = -\hbar\Delta_{c}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} - i$$
$$\hat{H}_{a-c} = \hbar U_{0}\phi(\mathbf{r})|^{2}$$

$$U_0 = \frac{g_0^2}{\Delta_a} \left< \begin{array}{c} \text{shift} \\ \text{shift} \\ \text{shift} \end{array} \right.$$

back-action: Cavity field depen

cavity pumping: index of refraction

atom pumping:

Dynamical optical lattice Cavity mediates global interaction between atoms !

 $i\hbar\eta_{\rm L}(\hat{a}-\hat{a}^{\dagger}) +\hbar\eta(\mathbf{r})(\hat{a}^{\dagger}+\hat{a})$ $\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}.$

ft of atom energy, per photon cavity field for atoms: **optical lattice** ft of cavity frequency, per photon atoms for cavity: index of refraction

Cavity field depends on atomic spatial distribution $| \ lpha = f(\psi)$

effective pumping of the cavity

 $\psi = f(\alpha)$



Atom pumping

two-photon scattering rate:

$$\eta = \frac{\Omega g_0}{\Delta_a}$$

red detuned λ_{p}

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Atom pumping

two-photon scattering rate:

$$\eta = \frac{\Omega g_0}{\Delta_a}$$

 λ_{p} \times destructive interference

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mean-field $\alpha = f(\psi)$



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Phase transition



Phase transition



Phase transition



Phase transition with thermal atoms

Observation of Collective Friction Forces due to Spatial Self-Organization of Atoms: From Rayleigh to Bragg Scattering

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We experimentally confirm the predicted stochastic lattice formation by observing random π jumps in the time phase of the Bragg-scattered intracavity light.

Driven by thermal fluctuations + self-organization not directly measured





Phase transition with a BEC





K. Baumann, C. Guerlin, F. Brennecke & T. Esslinger, Nature 464, 1301 (2010)

Phase transition with a BEC





single-photon counter

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Checkerboard self-organization



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Stability and coherence



(non-trivial) crystalline order
but off diagonal long range orger not detroyed

can be regarded as a supersolid

Beyond mean field: two mode expansion



 $|p_x, p_z\rangle = |0, 0\rangle$ $|\pm\hbar k,\pm\hbar k\rangle = \sum_{\mu,\nu=\pm 1} |\mu\hbar k,\nu\hbar k\rangle/2$



Beyond mean field: two mode expansion



 $|p_x, p_z\rangle = |0, 0\rangle$ coupled to $|\pm\hbar k,\pm\hbar k\rangle = \sum_{\mu,\nu=\pm 1} |\mu\hbar k,\nu\hbar k\rangle/2$ via two balanced pump-cavity two-photon transitions



Beyond mean field: two mode expansion



 $|p_x, p_z\rangle = |0, 0\rangle$



Two-mode expansion of the second quantized many-body hamiltonian from $H_{(1)}$

$$\hat{\Psi} = \hat{c}_0 |0,0\rangle + \hat{c}_1 | \pm \hbar k, \pm \hbar k\rangle$$
$$\hat{c}_0^{\dagger} \hat{c}_0 + \hat{c}_1^{\dagger} \hat{c}_1 = N$$

$$\hat{J}_z = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{c}_1^{\dagger} \hat{c}_1 - \hat{c}_0^{\dagger} \hat{c}_0)$$
$$\hat{J}_+ = \hat{c}_1^{\dagger} \hat{c}_0 = \hat{J}_-^{\dagger}$$

$$\omega_0 = 2\omega_r = \hbar k^2 / m$$
$$\omega = -\tilde{\Delta}_c$$
$$(\tilde{\omega}_c = \omega_c + U_0 N / 2)$$
$$\lambda = \eta \sqrt{N/4}$$

Dicke quantum phase transition

1.2

0.8

0.4

0

 $k_B T / \omega_0$

Modèle de Dicke: N atomes, 1 mode du champ

$$\hat{H} = \omega \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \omega_0 \hat{J}_z + \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{N}} (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^{\dagger}) (\hat{J}_+ + \hat{J}_-)$$
transition normal - superradiant:
 $\lambda > \lambda_{cr} = \sqrt{\omega_0 \omega} / 2$
1.6
 $\omega_0 \sim 100 \text{ THz}$

proposed 2-photon realization: Carmichael (2007)

Self-organization is a two-photon realization of Dicke phase transition

mapping to : see also Domokos, 2010



Dicke quantum phase transition



Dicke quantum phase transition

Further studies and Perspectives

PRL 107, 140402 (2011)

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Exploring Symmetry Breaking at the Dicke Quantum Phase Transition

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We study symmetry breaking at the Dicke quantum phase transition by coupling a motional degree of freedom of a Bose-Einstein condensate to the field of an optical cavity. Using an optical heterodyne detection scheme, we observe symmetry breaking in real time and distinguish the two superradiant phases.

We explore the process of symmetry breaking in the presence of a small symmetry-breaking field and study its dependence on the rate at which the critical point is crossed. Coherent switching between the two ordered phases is demonstrated.

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Roton-Type Mode Softening in a Quantum Gas with Cavity-Mediated Long-Range Interactions

R. Mottl, F. Brennecke, K. Baumann, R. Landig, T. Donner, T. Esslinger*

Long-range interactions in quantum gases are predicted to give rise to an excitation spectrum of roton character, similar to that observed in superfluid helium. We investigated the excitation spectrum of a Bose-Einstein condensate with cavity-mediated long-range interactions, which couple all particles to each other. Increasing the strength of the interaction leads to a softening of an excitation mode at a finite momentum, preceding a superfluid-to-supersolid phase transition. We used a variant of Bragg spectroscopy to study the mode softening across the phase transition. The measured spectrum was in very good agreement with ab initio calculations and, at the phase transition, a diverging susceptibility was observed. The work paves the way toward quantum simulation of long-range interacting many-body systems.

• Towards multiple cavity modes Goldbart 2010

• Other approach for longe range interactions: Rydberg atoms

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