

# *Bose-Fermi Mixtures in Ultracold Atoms*

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# Outline

- (I) Introduction to cold atoms
- (II) Some interesting physics in BFM
  - (1) Phase instability
  - (2) Superfluidity of fermion pair
  - (3) Polaronic effects
  - (4) Charge/spin density waves
- (III) Experimentally related issues
- (IV) Summary and outlook

# *How does it work ?*

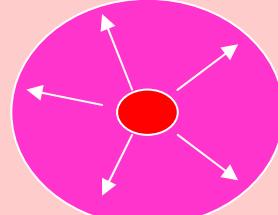
*Trapping and cooling*



*Perturbing*

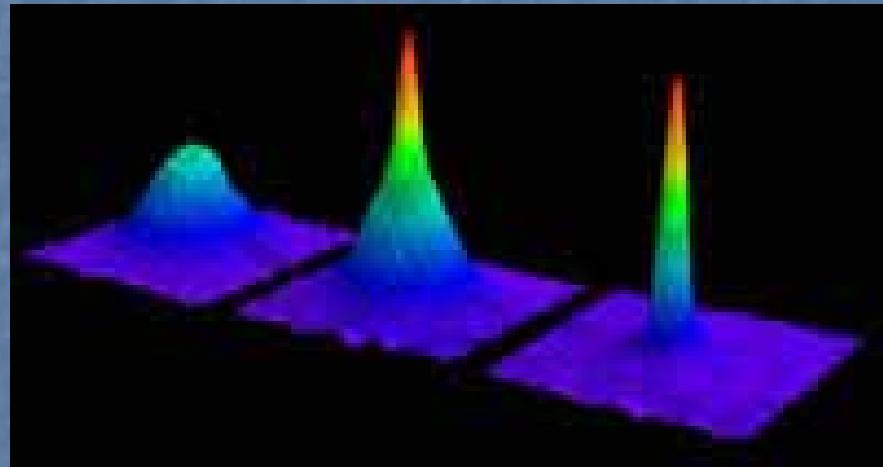


*Releasing and measuring*



- (i) Magnetic-Optical trap
  - (ii) Optical lattice
  - (iii) Laser cooling
  - (iv) Evaporative cooling
  - (v) Optical transition
  - (vi) Feshbach resonance
  - (vii) Optical lattice
  - (viii) Time-of-flight measurement
  - (ix) Bragg scattering
  - (x) Effective magnetic field
- .....

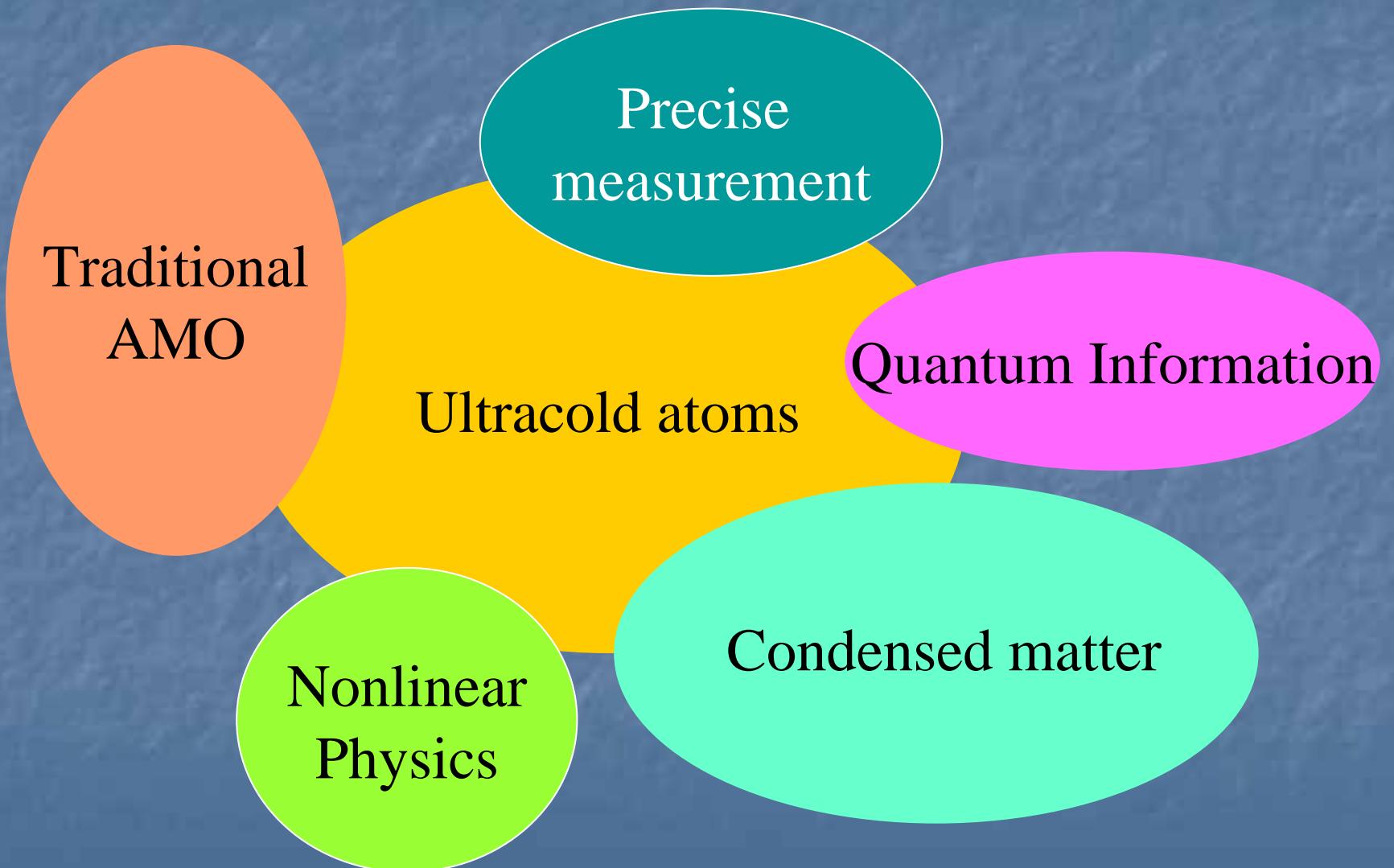
# *Introduction and references*



- (1) Dilute atoms
- (2) Magnetic/optical trap potential
- (3) Ultralow T (<1 micro-K)

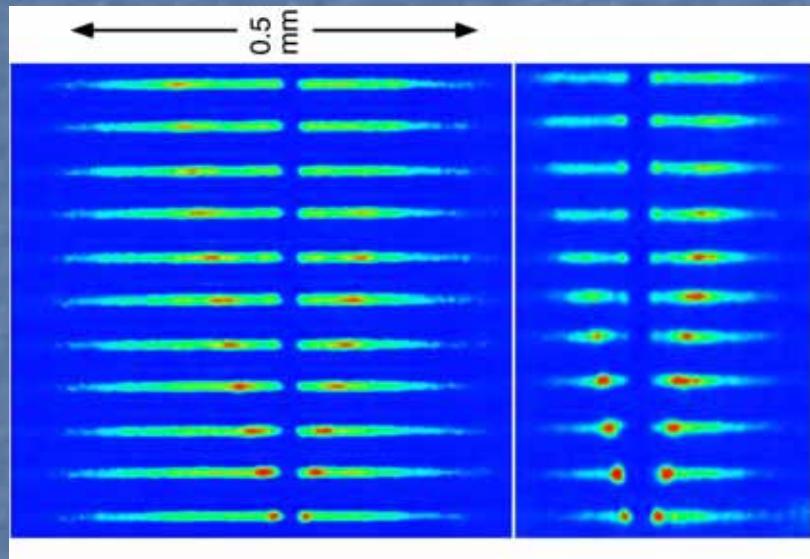
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- A.J. Leggett, Rev. Mod. Phys. **73**, 307 (2001)
- MIT/Harvard University: Center for ultracold atoms  
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- Nature, **416**, 205 (2002)

# *Interdisciplinary field*

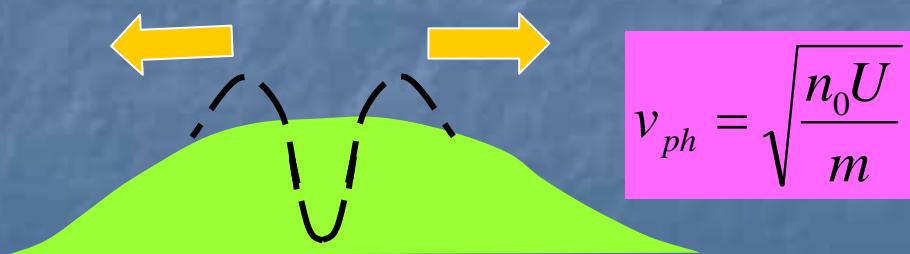
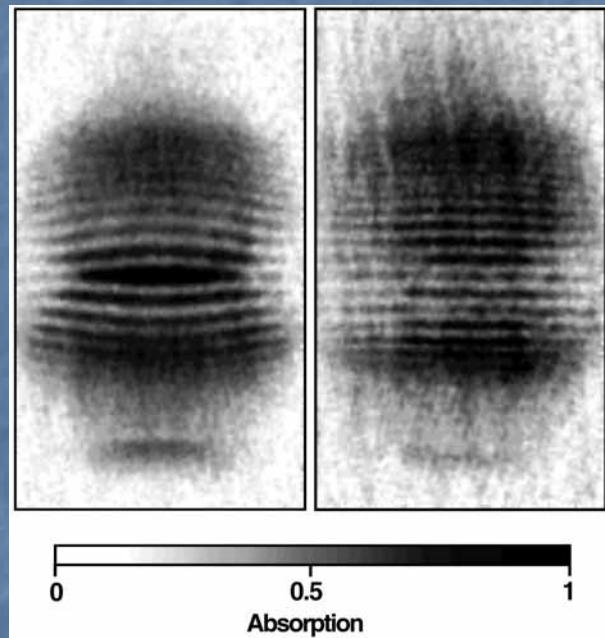


# *Phonons and vortices in BEC*

Phonon=density fluctuation



Interference

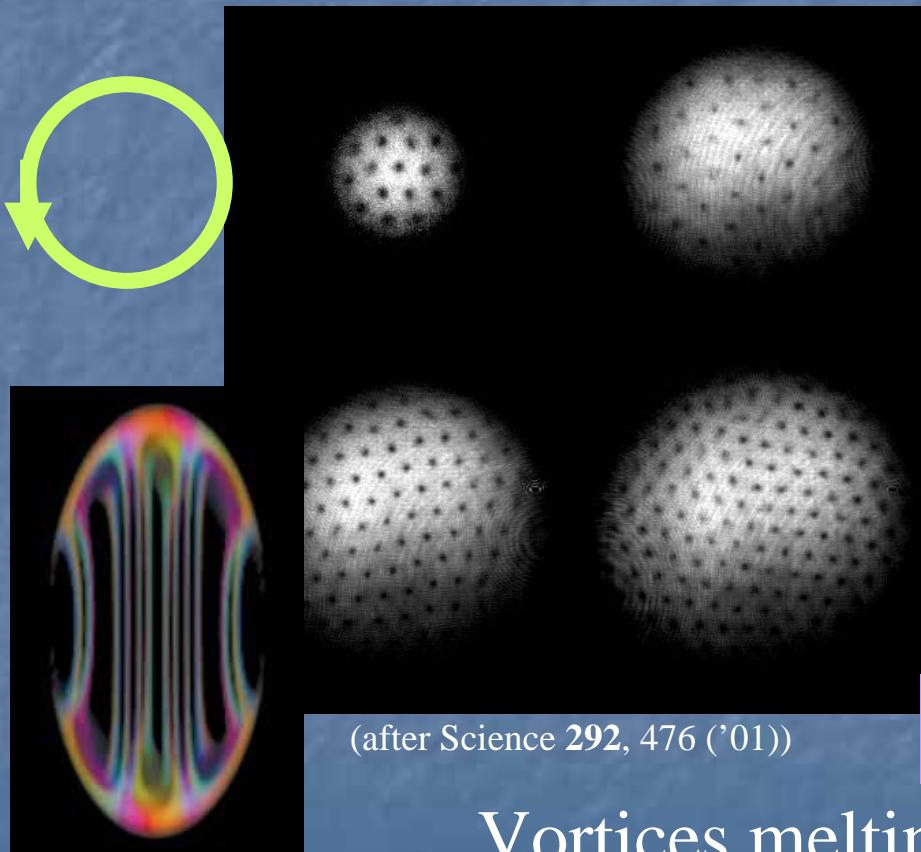


Matter waves !

(after Science 275, 637 ('97))

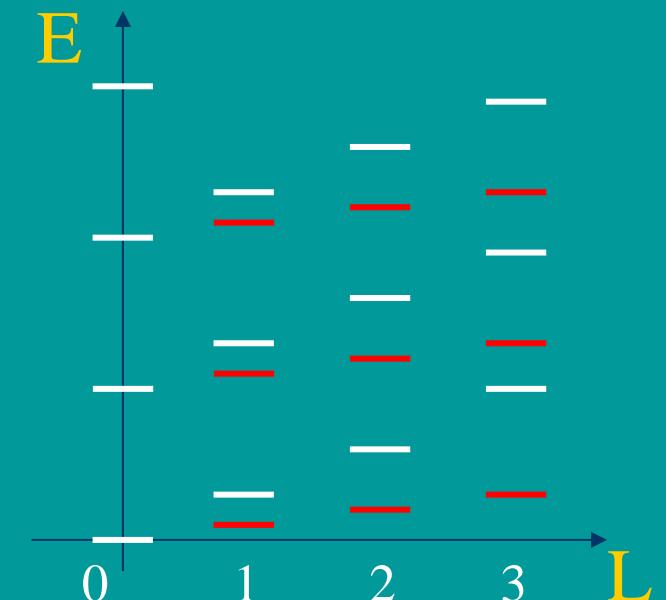
# *Vortices in condensate*

Vortex = topological disorder



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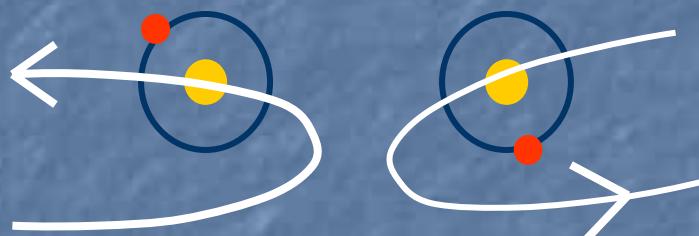


$$E_{n,l} = \omega_0 \sqrt{l + 3n + 2nl + 2n^2} - l\omega_{ext}$$

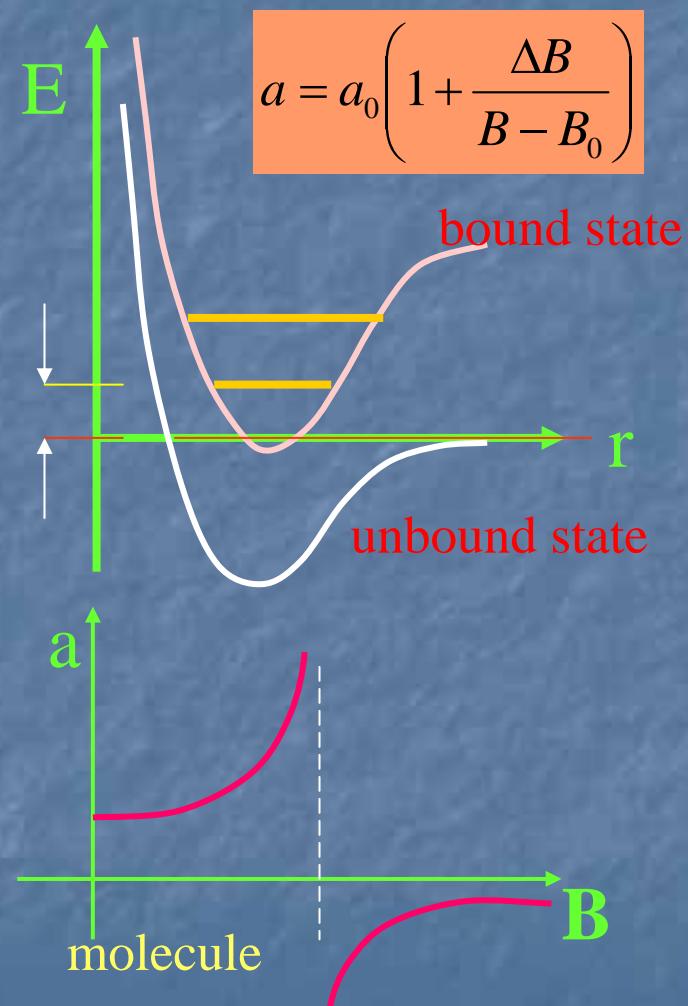
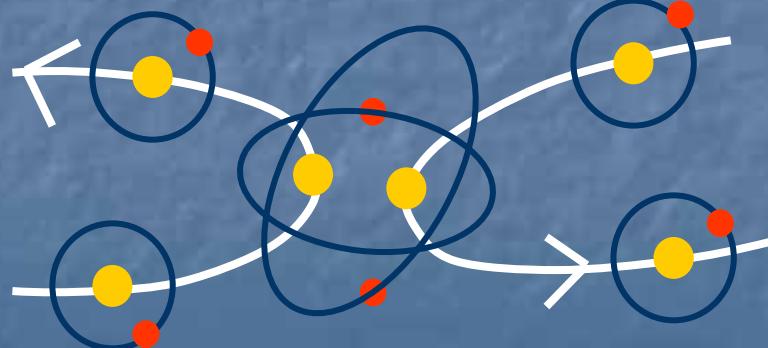
Vortices melting, quantum Hall regime ?

# *Feshbach Resonance*

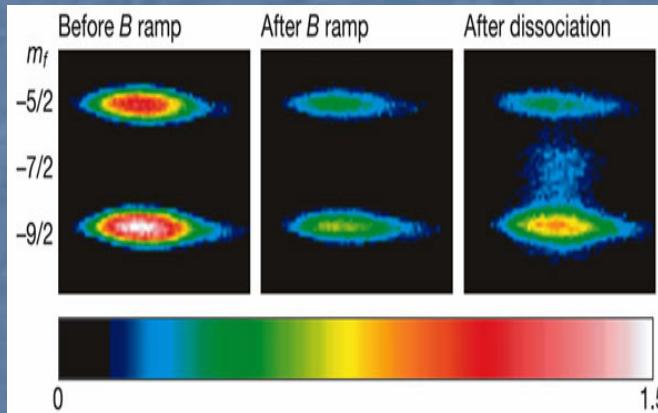
(i) Typical scattering:



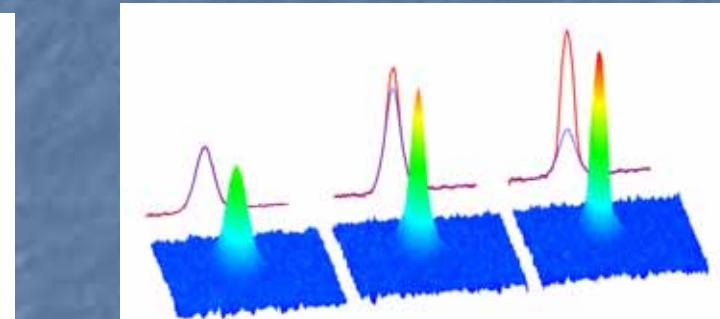
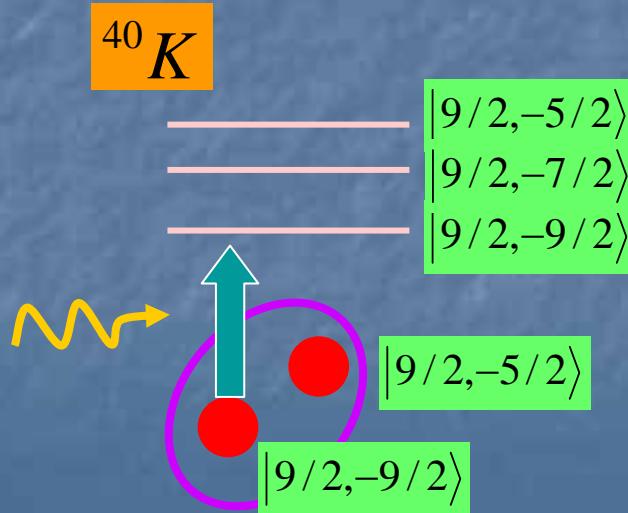
(ii) Resonant scattering:



# Molecule and pair condensate

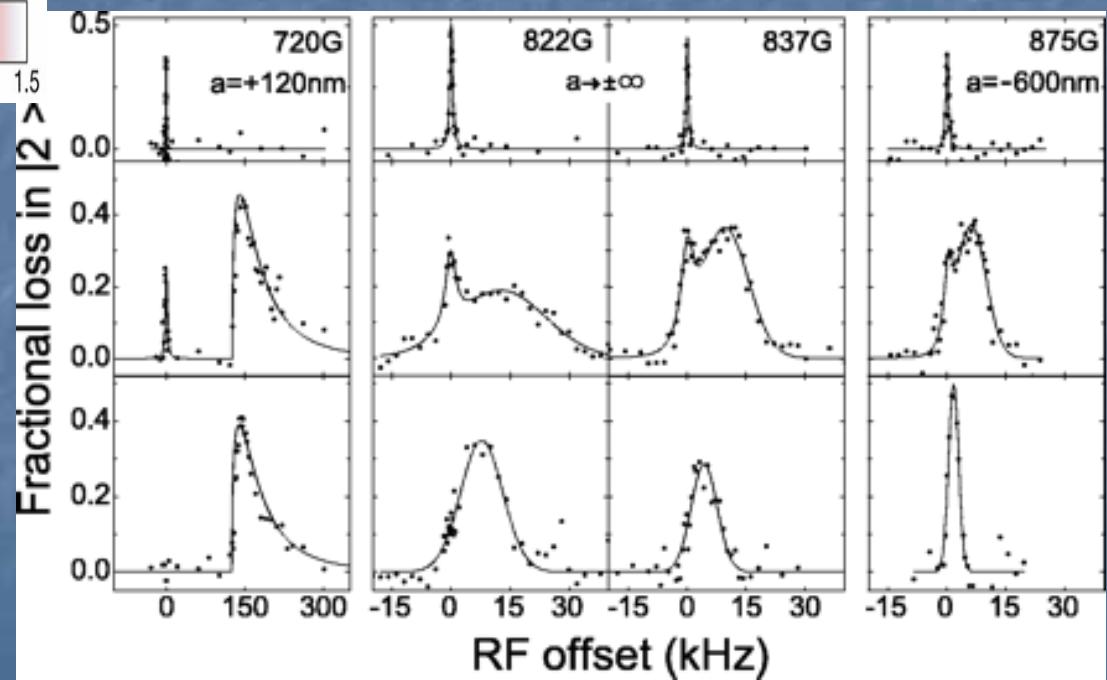


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(MIT group, PRL **92**, 120403 ('04))

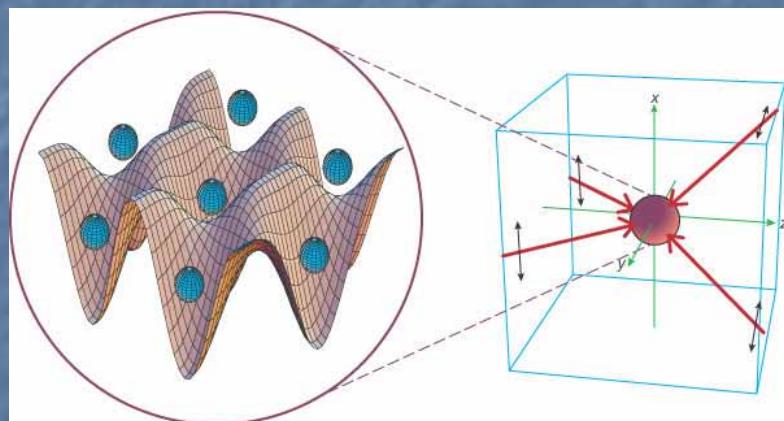
$^6Li$



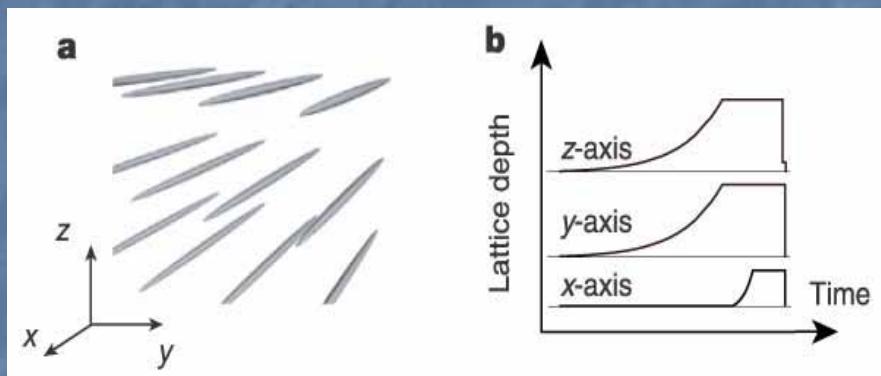
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# *Optical lattice*

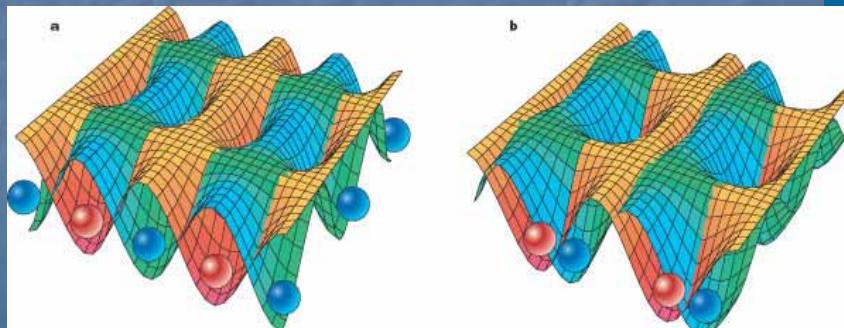
3D lattice



1D lattice

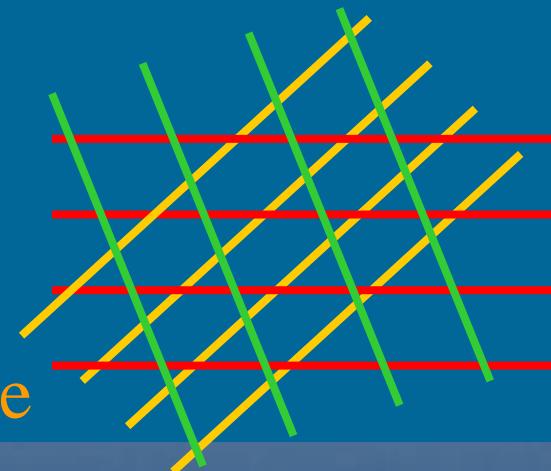
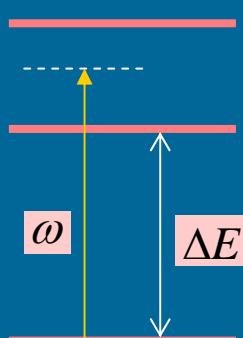


Entanglement control



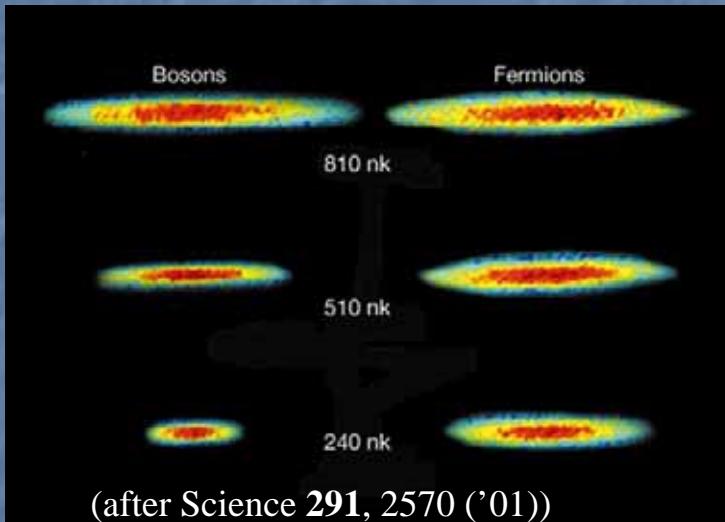
other lattice

$$V_0 \propto -\frac{|\Omega_R|^2(\omega - \Delta E)}{(\omega - \Delta E)^2 + \Gamma^2}$$

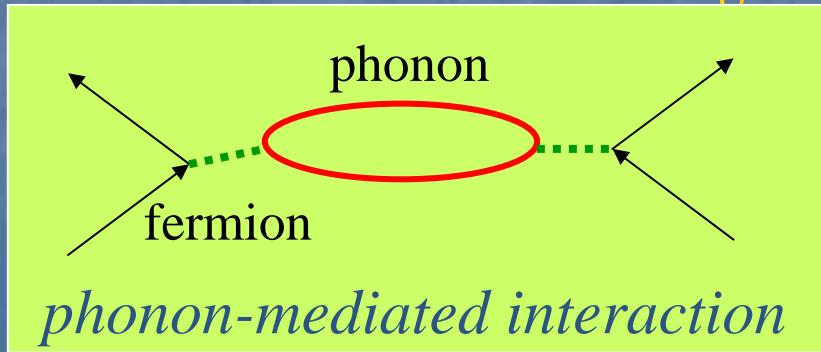


# *Boson-fermion mixtures*

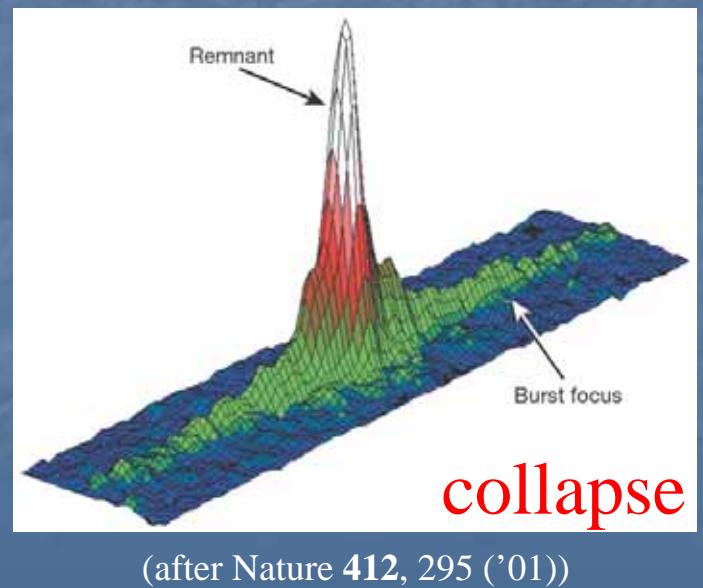
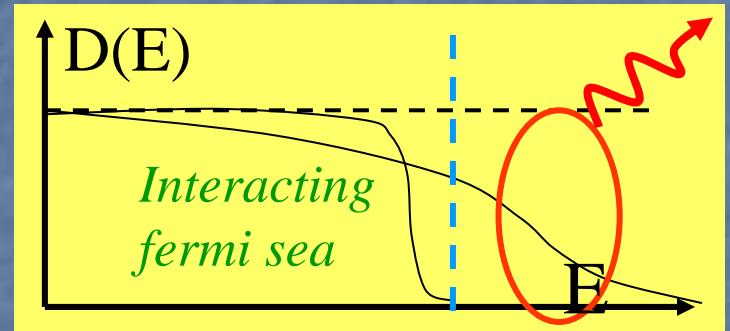
## Sympathetic cooling



## *Fermions are noninteracting !*



$^{40}K$ - $^{87}Rb$ ,  $^6Li$ - $^7Li$ , or  $^6Li$ - $^{23}Na$



# Phase instability

$$H = \sum_{k,s} \varepsilon_{k,s}^f f_{k,s}^+ f_{k,s} + \sum_k \varepsilon_k^b b_k^+ b_k + \frac{U_{bb}}{2\Omega} \sum_k \rho_k^b \rho_{-k}^b + \frac{U_{bf}}{\Omega} \sum_k \rho_k^b (\rho_{-k\uparrow}^f + \rho_{-k\downarrow}^f) + \frac{U_{ff}}{\Omega} \sum_k \rho_{-k\uparrow}^f \rho_{k\downarrow}^f$$

$$\Delta E = \int d\vec{r} \varepsilon(n_1 + \delta n_1, n_2 + \delta n_2) - \int d\vec{r} \varepsilon(n_1, n_2)$$

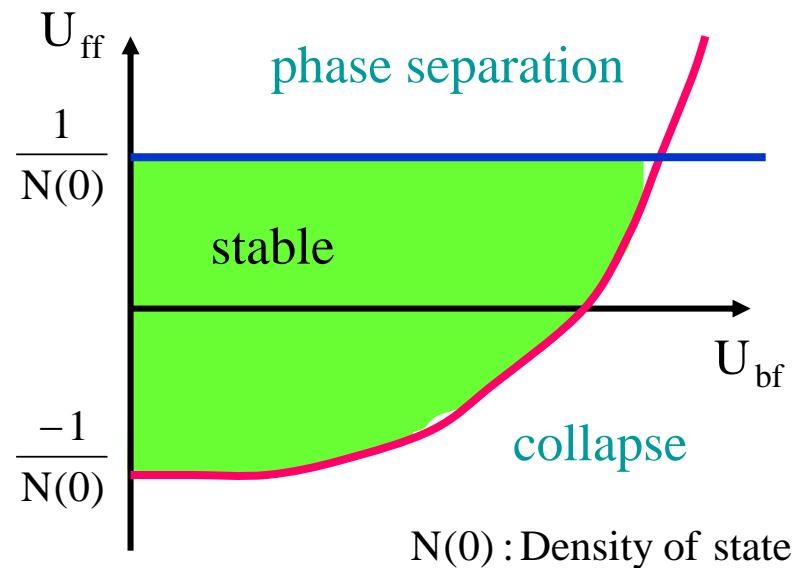
$$= \int d\vec{r} \left[ \cancel{\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta n_1} \delta n_1} + \cancel{\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta n_2} \delta n_2} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \int d\vec{r} \left[ \frac{\delta^2 \varepsilon}{\delta n_1^2} \delta n_1^2 + \frac{\delta^2 \varepsilon}{\delta n_2^2} \delta n_2^2 + 2 \frac{\delta^2 \varepsilon}{\delta n_1 \delta n_2} \delta n_1 \delta n_2 \right] + \dots > 0$$

condition for stability

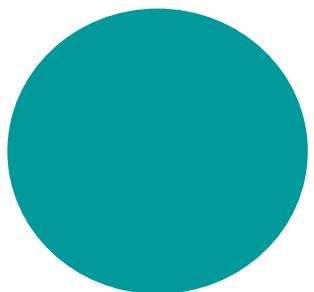
eigenvalues of

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\delta^2 \varepsilon}{\delta n_1^2} & \frac{\delta^2 \varepsilon}{\delta n_1 \delta n_2} \\ \frac{\delta^2 \varepsilon}{\delta n_1 \delta n_2} & \frac{\delta^2 \varepsilon}{\delta n_2^2} \end{bmatrix} > 0$$

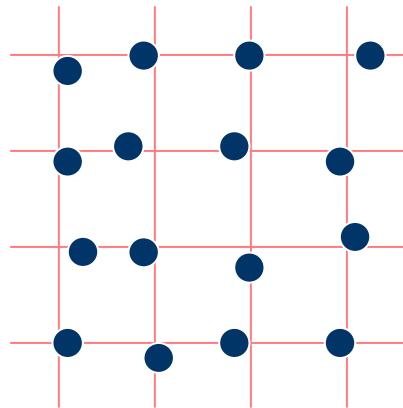
$$\left| U_{ff} \right| < \frac{1}{N(0)} \quad U_{ff} - \frac{2U_{bf}^2}{U_{bb}} > \frac{-1}{N(0)}$$



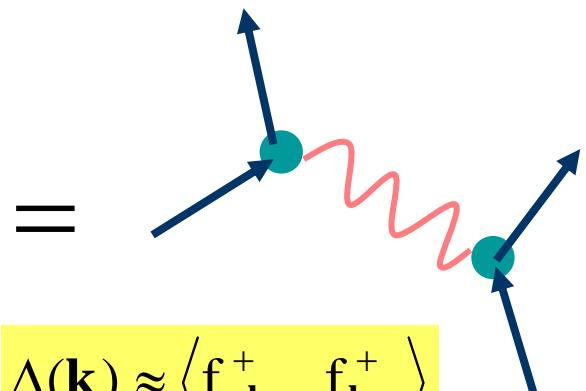
# Introduction to superconductors



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Fermi sea



lattice phonon

superconductor

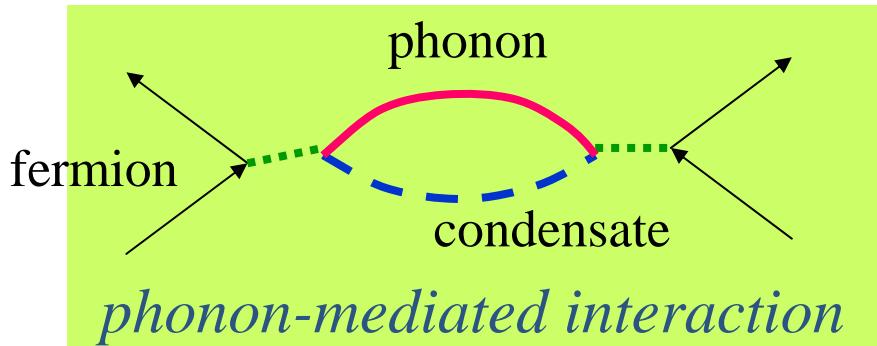
BCS theory:

$$T_c \approx 1.13\omega_D e^{-1/N(0)V_0}$$

$$T_c \approx 0.61E_F e^{-1/N(0)U_0}$$

(contact attractive interaction)

# Phonons in BFM



Anti-adiabatic regime:  $c \gg v_F$

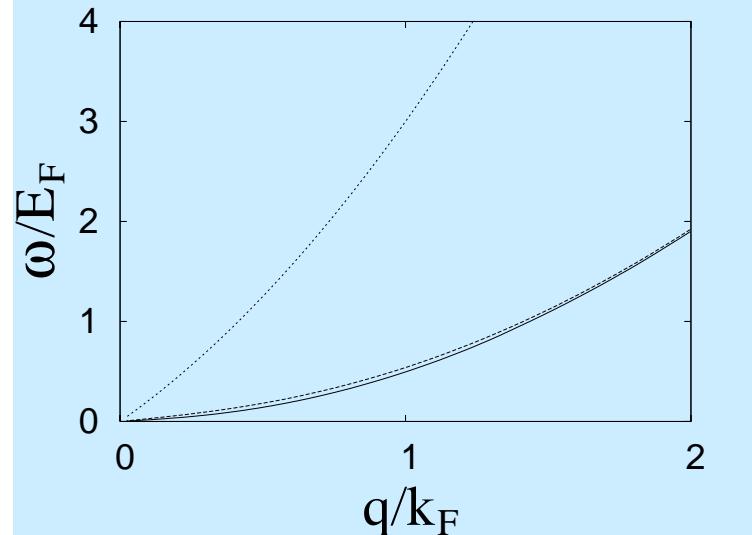
$$V_{eff}(\vec{r}) = \frac{-U_{bf}^2}{U_b} \times \frac{1}{r} e^{-r/\zeta}$$

$$\zeta = \sqrt{1/4m_b n_b U_{bb}}$$

$$T_c \approx 0.61 E_F e^{1/N(0)(U_{ff} - V_{eff})}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_k &= \sqrt{\frac{k^2}{2m_b} \left( \frac{k^2}{2m_b} + 2n_b U_{bb} \right)} \\ &= c |k| \quad \text{for } |k| \ll 1\end{aligned}$$

But....



# Phonon induced interaction

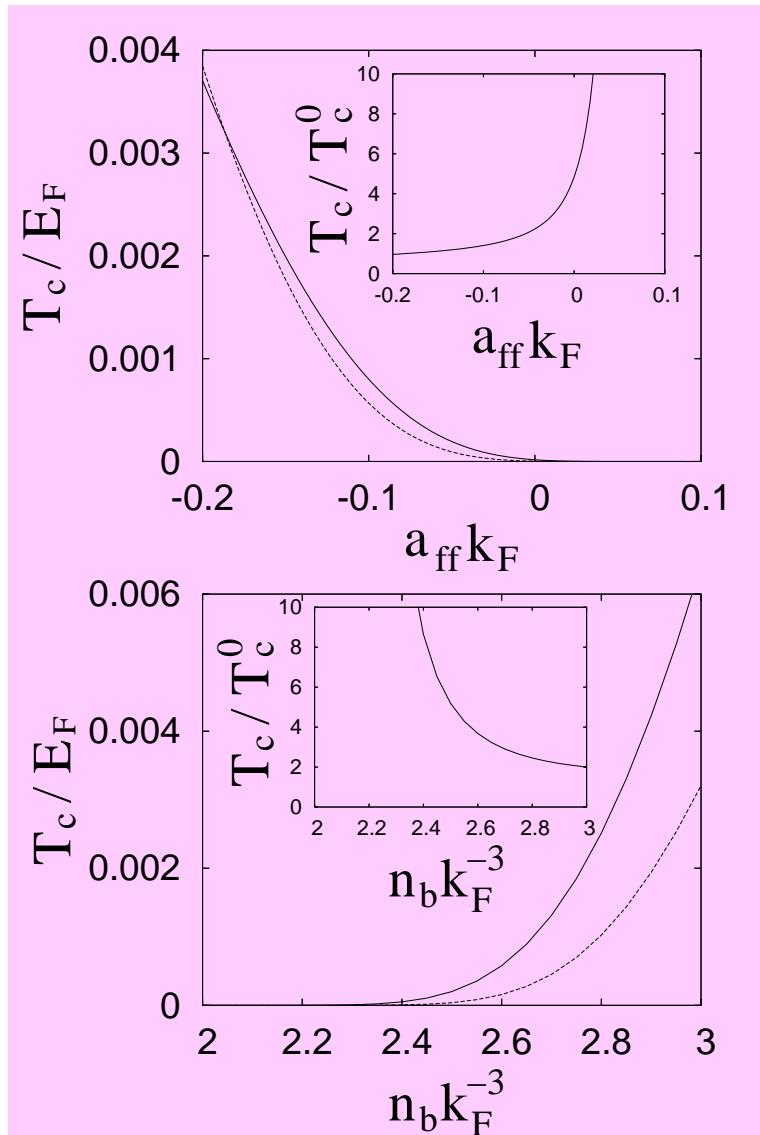
(DWW, *et. al.* in preparation)

Strong coupling regime + retardation effect:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad & \text{---} = \text{---} + \text{---} \textcircled{P} \text{---} + \text{---} \textcircled{P} \text{---} \\
 & V_{\text{eff}}^{\parallel} \quad U^{\parallel} \quad U^{\parallel} \quad V_{\text{eff}}^{\parallel} \quad U^{\perp} \quad V_{\text{eff}}^{\perp} \\
 \text{(b)} \quad & \text{---} = \text{---} + \text{---} \textcircled{P} \text{---} + \text{---} \textcircled{P} \text{---} \\
 & V_{\text{eff}}^{\perp} \quad U^{\perp} \quad U^{\perp} \quad V_{\text{eff}}^{\parallel} \quad U^{\parallel} \quad V_{\text{eff}}^{\perp}
 \end{aligned}$$

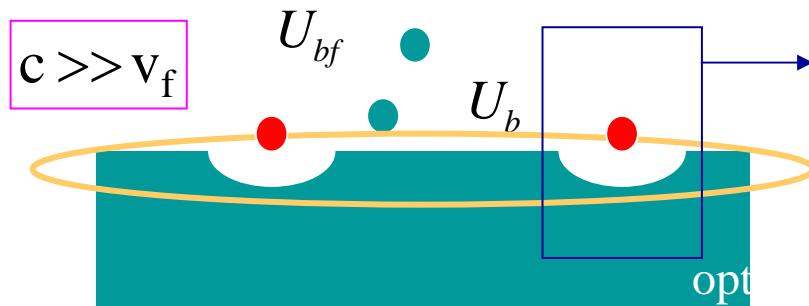
## Solving Migdal-Elashberg equation with short-range onsite repulsion:

$$T_c \approx \left( \frac{8\gamma E_F}{\pi e^2 (1 + \lambda_{||})} \right)^{\frac{N(0)U_{ff}}{N(0)U_{ff} - \lambda_{\perp}}} \left( \frac{2\gamma D}{\pi} \right)^{\frac{-\lambda_{\perp}}{N(0)U_{ff} - \lambda_{\perp}}} \\ \times \exp \left[ \frac{1 + \lambda_{||} + \lambda_{\log}}{N(0)U_{ff} - \lambda_{\perp}} \right]$$



# Polaronic effects (1D case)

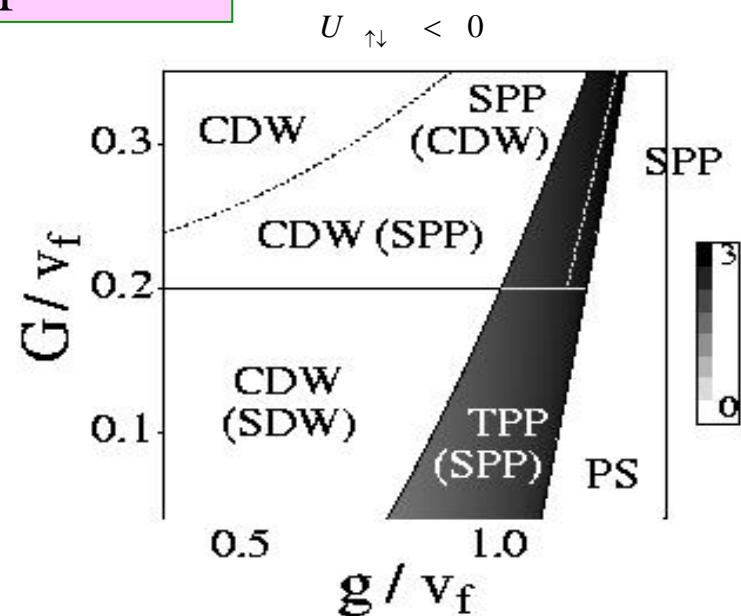
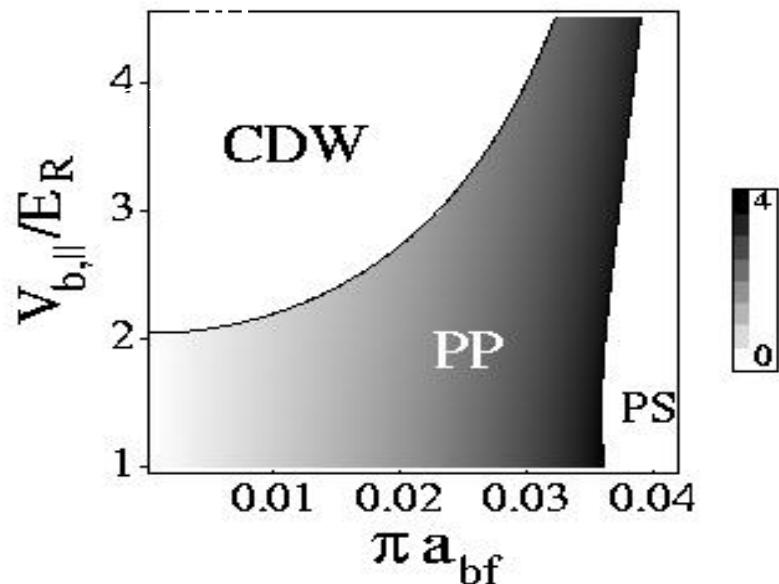
(L. Mathey, DWW, et. al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 120404 (2004). )



$$\tilde{f}_\lambda = f e^{-i\lambda \Phi_b}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{tot}} \sim U_{bf} / U_b$$

Luttinger liquid of polaron !



# Polaronic effects (more general case)

(DWW, *et. al.* in preparation)

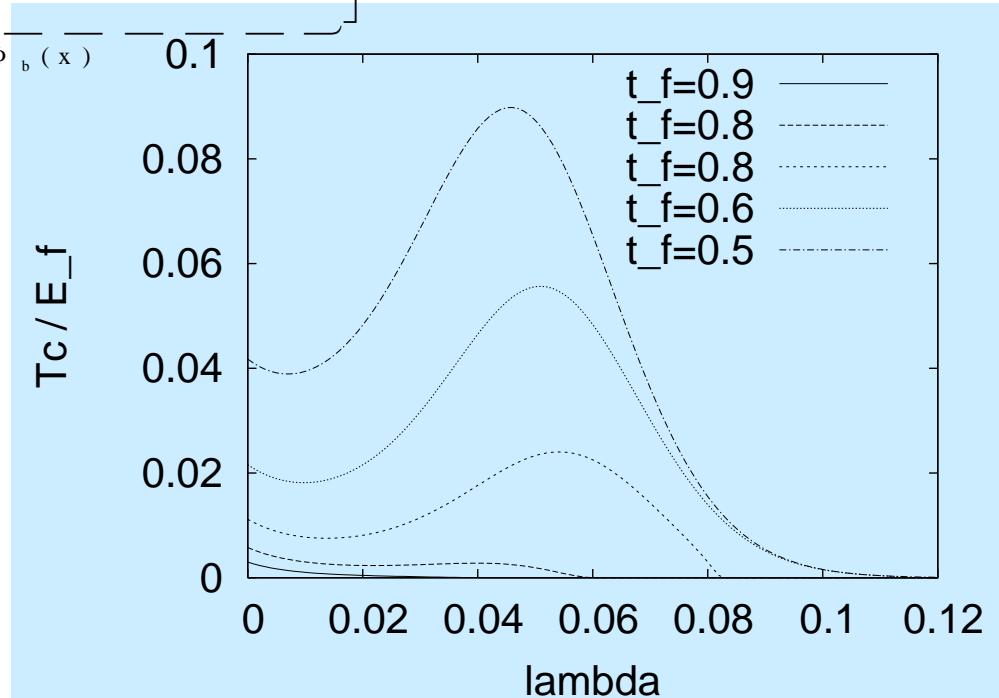
$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} \omega_{\mathbf{k}} \beta_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \beta_{\mathbf{k}} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\mathbf{k}}^+ f_{\mathbf{k}} + \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} g_{\mathbf{k}} (\beta_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \rho_{\mathbf{k}} + \beta_{\mathbf{k}} \rho_{\mathbf{k}}^+) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{phonon} & \text{fermion} & \text{phonon fermon} \end{matrix}$$

$$S(\lambda) = \exp \left[ -\lambda \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} \frac{g_{\mathbf{k}}}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} (\beta_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \rho_{\mathbf{k}} - \beta_{\mathbf{k}} \rho_{\mathbf{k}}^+) \right] \quad \beta_{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \beta_{\mathbf{k}} - \frac{\lambda g_{\mathbf{k}}}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} \rho_{\mathbf{k}}$$

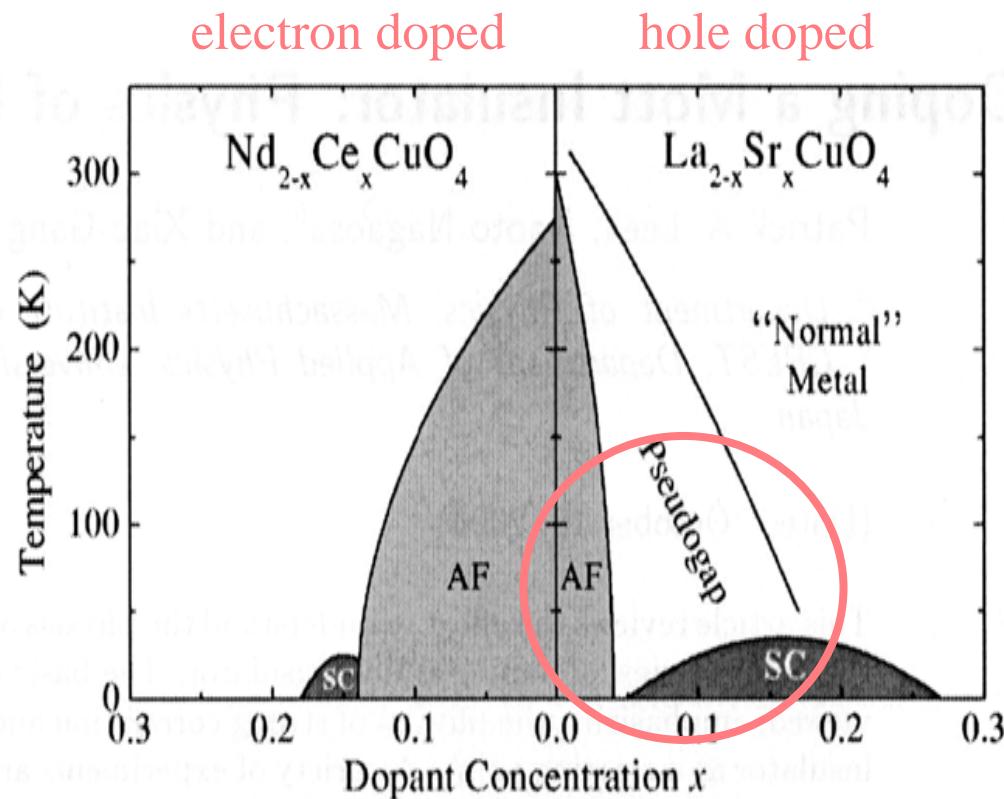
$$f(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow f(\mathbf{r}) \exp \left[ \lambda \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{g_{\mathbf{k}}}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} \left( e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \beta_{\mathbf{k}} - e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \beta_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \right) \right]$$

$\equiv e^{-i\lambda \Phi_b(x)} \boxed{0.1}$

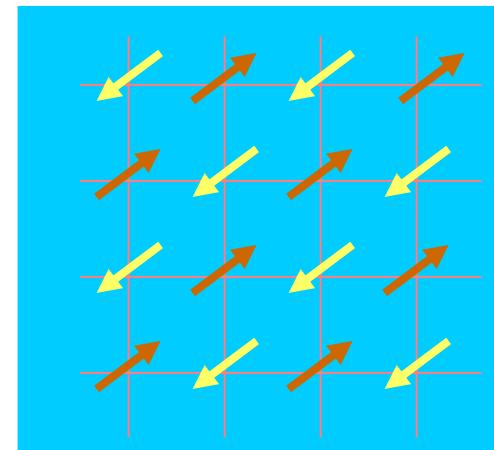
If we treat  $\lambda$  as a variational parameter,  $T_c$  could be enhanced due to mass enhancement of polaronic effects.



# Motivation: High $T_c$ superconductor

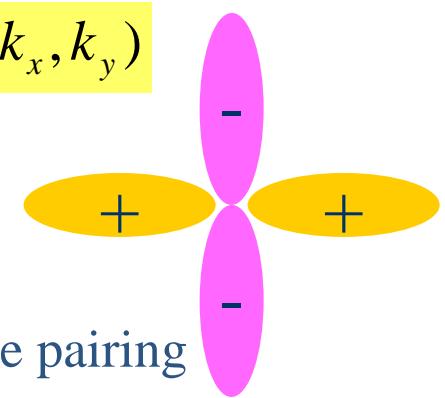


P.A. Lee, N. Nagaosa, and X.-G. Wen, cond-mat/0410445



Antiferromagnetic

$$\Delta(k_x, k_y)$$



D-wave pairing

# Unknown questions in high $T_c$ ...

(1) The origin of superconductivity:

- (i) Is the proximity to AF crucial ?
- (ii) Can one get superconductivity from purely repulsive interaction ?

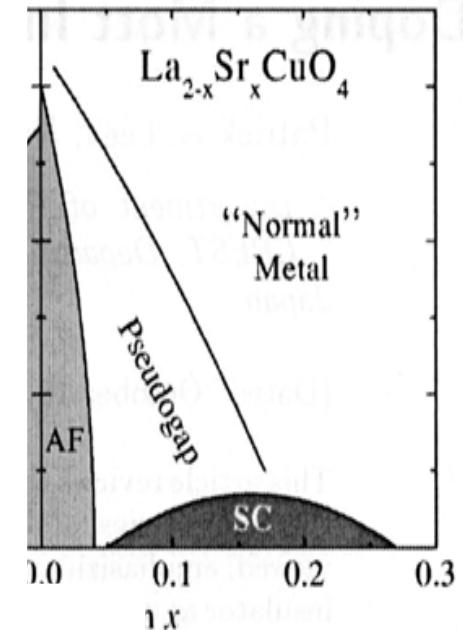
$$H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, s} c_{i,s}^+ c_{j,s} + U \sum_i n_{i,\uparrow} n_{i,\downarrow} \quad (U > 0)$$

- (iii) The effects of phonons
- (iv) Other exotic order (RVB, stripe...)?

(2) Non-BCS behavior:

- (i) d-wave pairing
- (ii) Small coherent length
- (iii) Pseudo-gap regime

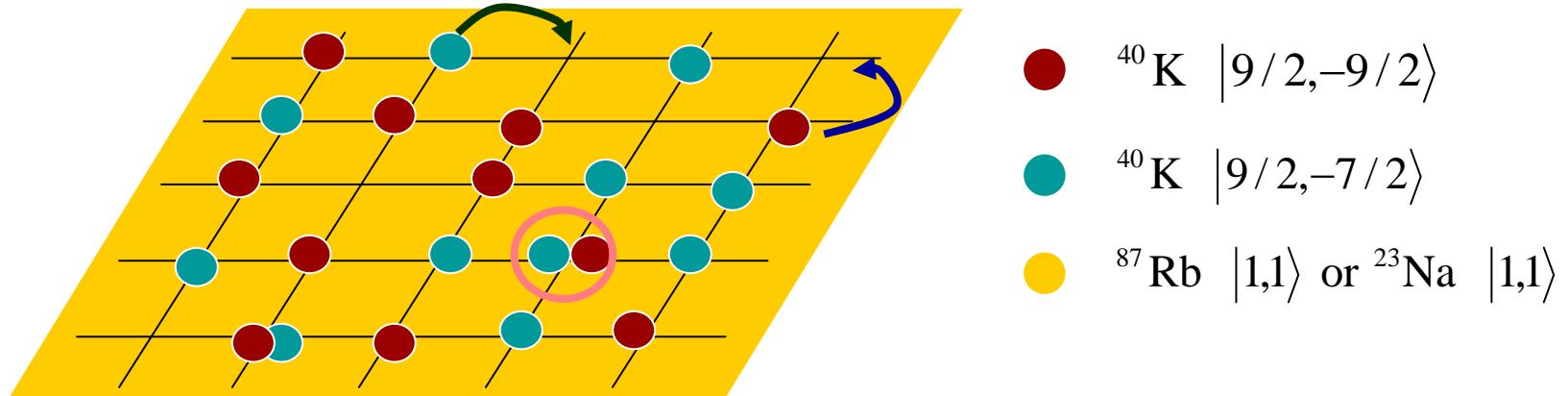
(3) Non-Fermi liquid in normal state



\* A unified mechanism is still poorly understood.

# B-F mixtures in 2D optical lattice

(DWW, M. Lukin, E. Demler, cond-mat/0410494)

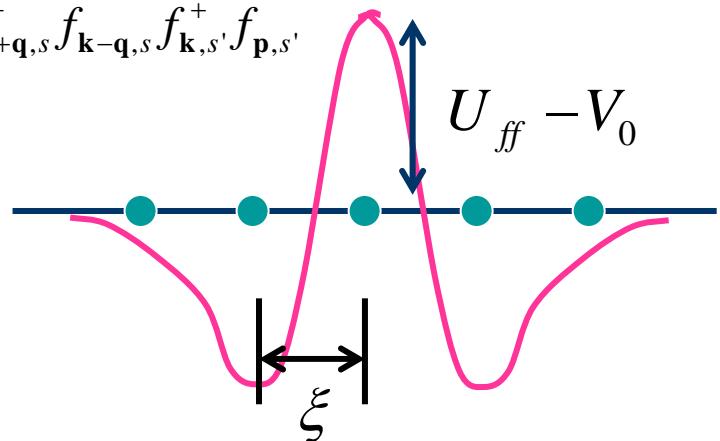


Effective H:  $H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, s} f_{i,s}^+ f_{j,s} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}} V_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{q}) f_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{q},s}^+ f_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q},s} f_{\mathbf{k},s'}^+ f_{\mathbf{p},s'}$

Effective interaction:

$$V_{\text{tot}}(k) = U_{ff} + \frac{-V_0}{1 + k^2 \xi^2}$$

$$V_0 = U_{bf}^2 / U_b, \quad \xi = \sqrt{t_b / 2n_b U_{bb}}$$



# Possible many-body phases

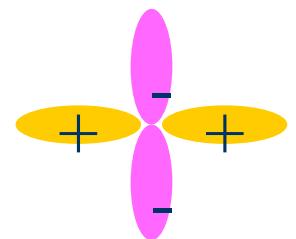
(1) s-wave pairing  $\Delta(\mathbf{k}) = \Delta_0 + \Delta_1(\cos k_x + \cos k_y)$



(2) p-wave pairing  $\Delta(\mathbf{k}) = \Delta_p \sin k_x$

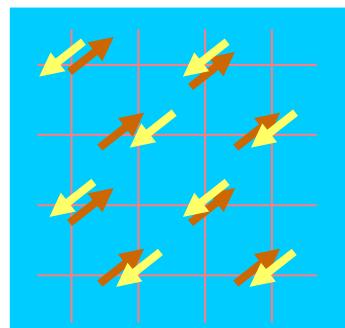


(3) d-wave pairing  $\Delta(\mathbf{k}) = \Delta_d (\cos k_x - \cos k_y)$

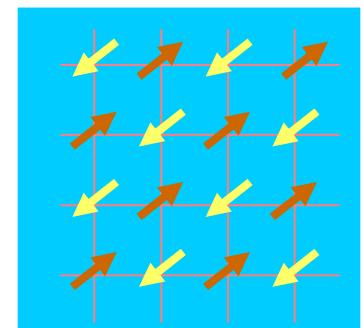


(4) charge-density-wave      (5) spin-density wave  
(most effective near half-filling)

$$\langle f_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q},s}^+ f_{\mathbf{k},s} \rangle \neq 0$$



$$\langle f_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q},s}^+ f_{\mathbf{k},-s} \rangle \neq 0$$



(6) phase separation/collapse  $\frac{\partial^2 E_{tot}}{\partial n^2} < 0$

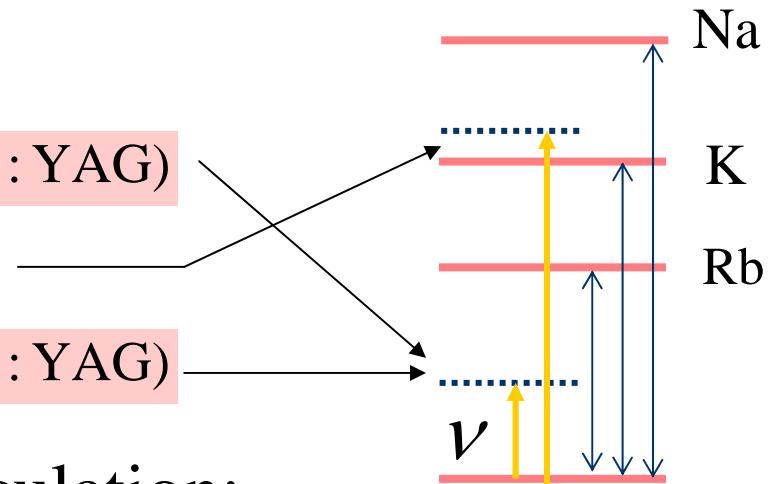
# Systems and parameters

(1) Systems we consider:

(a)  $^{40}\text{K}$ - $^{87}\text{Rb}$   $\lambda = 1.06 \mu\text{m}$  (Nd : YAG)

(b)  $^{40}\text{K}$ - $^{87}\text{Rb}$   $\lambda = 0.7655 \mu\text{m}$

(c)  $^{40}\text{K}$ - $^{23}\text{Na}$   $\lambda = 1.06 \mu\text{m}$  (Nd : YAG)



(2) Parameters used in calculation:

(a)  $^{40}\text{K}$   $|9/2, -7/2\rangle + |9/2, -9/2\rangle$  +  $^{87}\text{Rb}$   $|1,1\rangle$  or  $^{23}\text{Na}$   $|1,1\rangle$

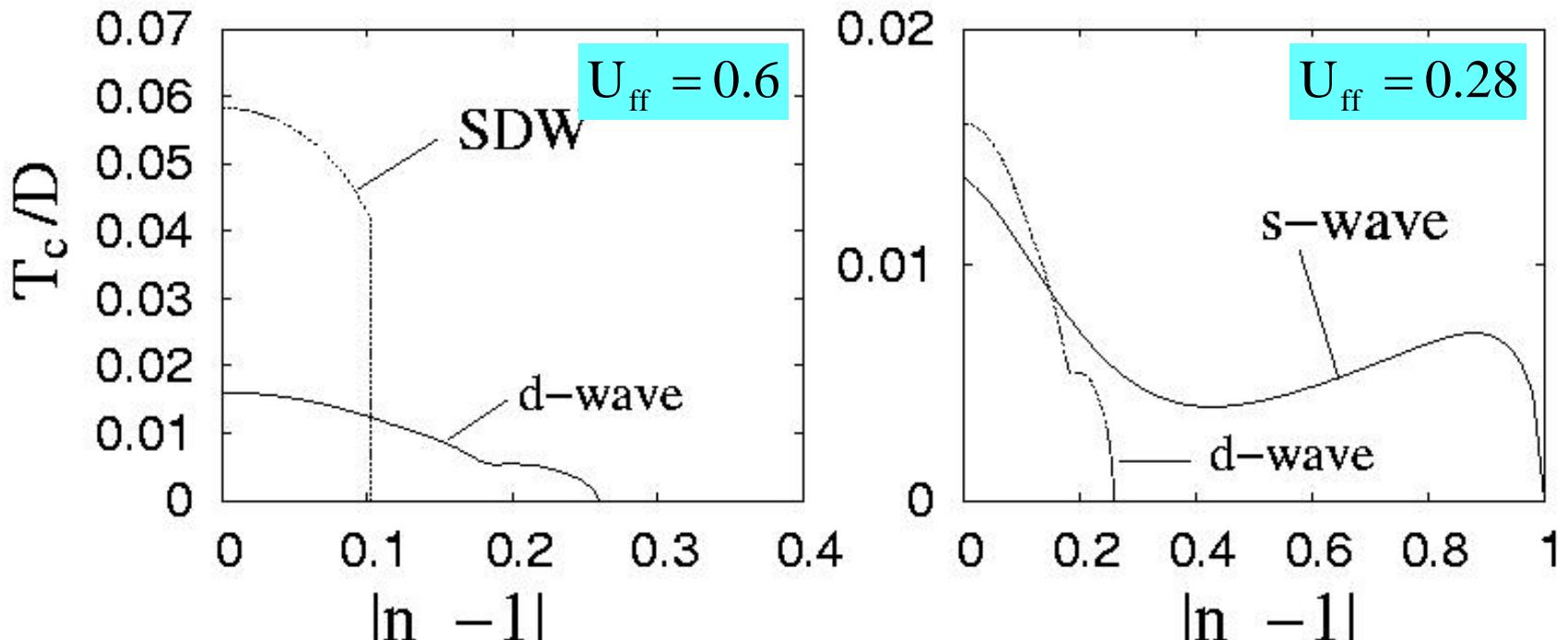
(b)  $V_{xy}^{\text{K}}/E_R = 5$ ,  $V_z^{\text{K}} / E_R = 30$      $U_{ff} > 0$

(c) Boson density is adjusted to optimize  $T_c$

(d) Phase diagrams plotted in filling fraction  $n$  and  $|U_{bf}| / E_R$

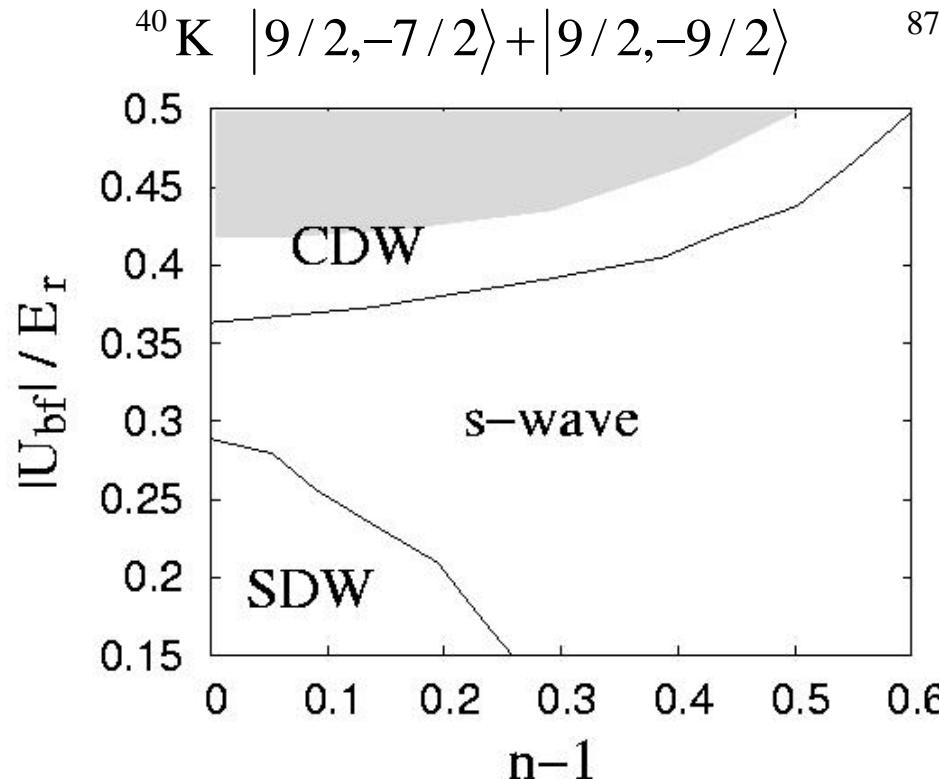
# $T_c$ for different phases

$^{40}\text{K}-^{23}\text{Na}$

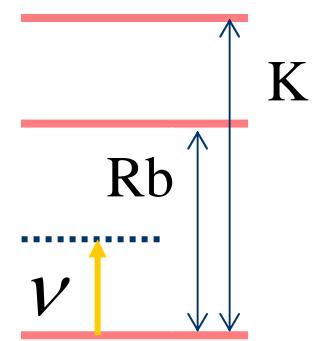


- (a) Competition between *d*-wave and SDW (AFM) phases is similar to the one in high  $T_c$  cuprates.
- (b) Competition between *s*- and *d*-wave phases can be observed.

# Phase diagrams for K-Rb system (I)



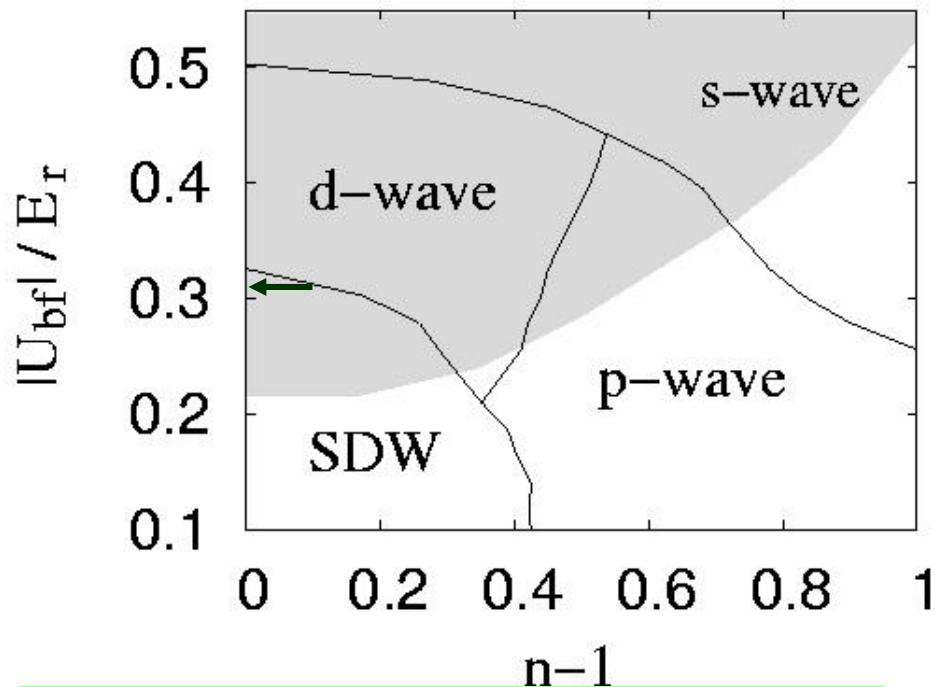
$\lambda = 1.06 \mu\text{m}$   
 $V_{xy}^{\text{K}}/E_R = 5, V_z^{\text{K}} / E_R = 30$   
 $n_b = 1, \quad \xi/a = 0.12$



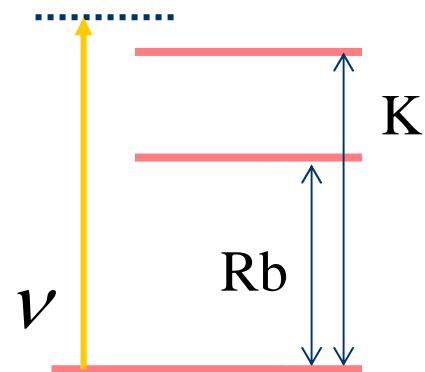
- (a)  $s$ -wave can dominate near  $n=1$ :  
(b) No unconventional pairing phase ( $\xi/a = 0.12 \ll 1$ )

# Phase diagrams for K-Rb system (II)

Idea: to make the boson “effective mass” lighter



$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= 765.5 \text{ nm} \\ V_{xy}^K/E_R &= 5, \quad V_z^K / E_R = 30 \\ n_b &= 1, \quad \xi/a = 1.5\end{aligned}$$

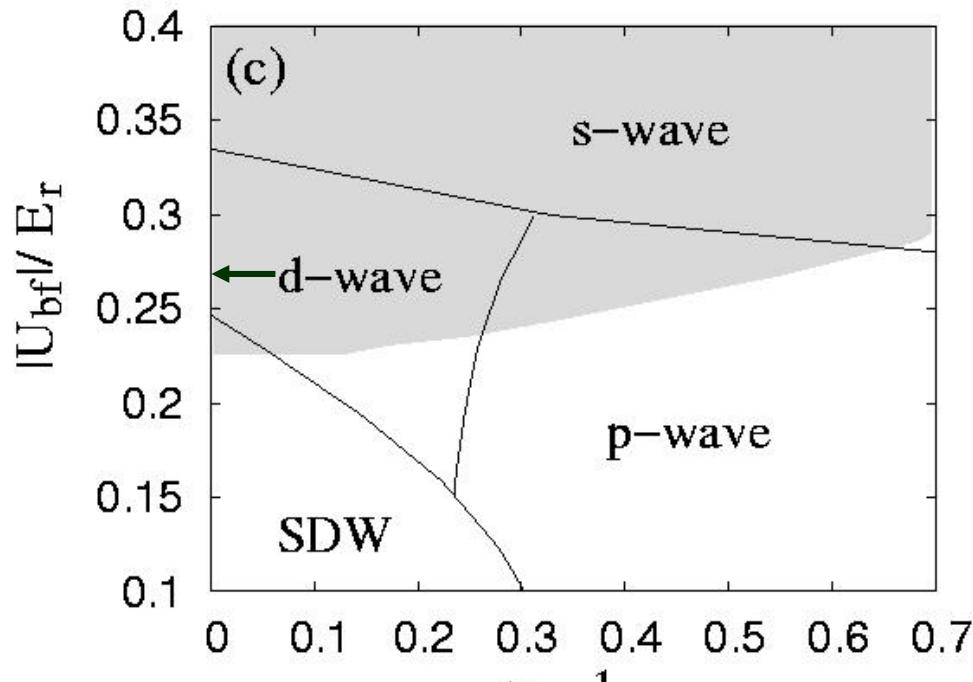


- (a)  $d$ -wave can dominate near  $n=1$ :
- (b)  $p$ -wave can dominate away from  $n=1$ :
- (c) Collapse regime is overestimated in meanfield theory

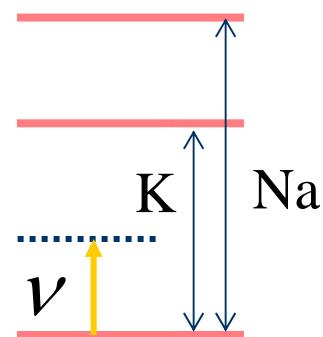
(Phys. Rev. A **67**, 063606 (2003)).

# Phase diagrams for K-Na system

$$^{40}\text{K} \quad |9/2, -7/2\rangle + |9/2, -9/2\rangle \quad ^{23}\text{Na} \quad |1,1\rangle$$



$\lambda = 1.06 \mu\text{m}$   
 $V_{xy}^K/E_R = 5, V_z^K / E_R = 30$   
 $n_b = 9, \xi/a = 0.6$



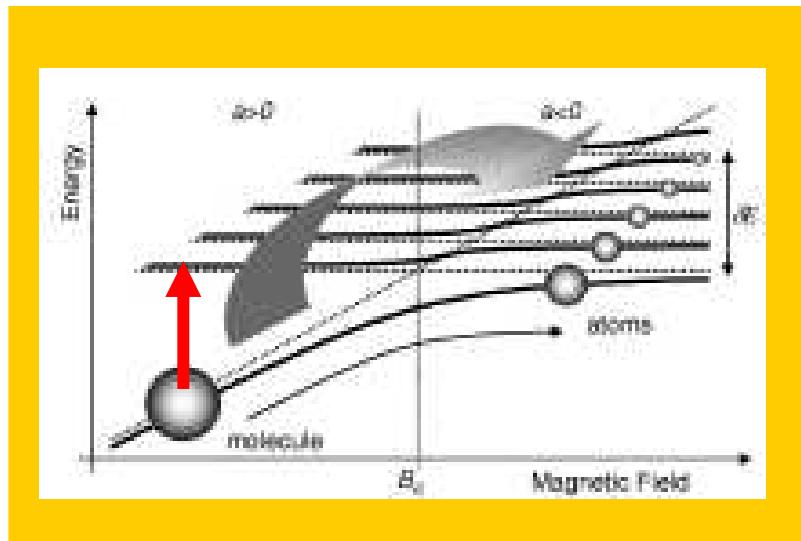
- (a)  $d$ -wave can dominate near  $n=1$ :
- (b)  $p$ -wave can dominate away from  $n=1$ :
- (c)  $d$ -wave phase can be observed in a wider range

# System preparation (I)

(DWW, M. Lukin, E. Demler, cond-mat/0410494)

(I) Traditional method:

- (1) Prepare B-F mixtures
- (2) Sympathetic cooling
- (3) Adiabatic cooling by turning the lattice on
- (4) Tuning the magnetic field



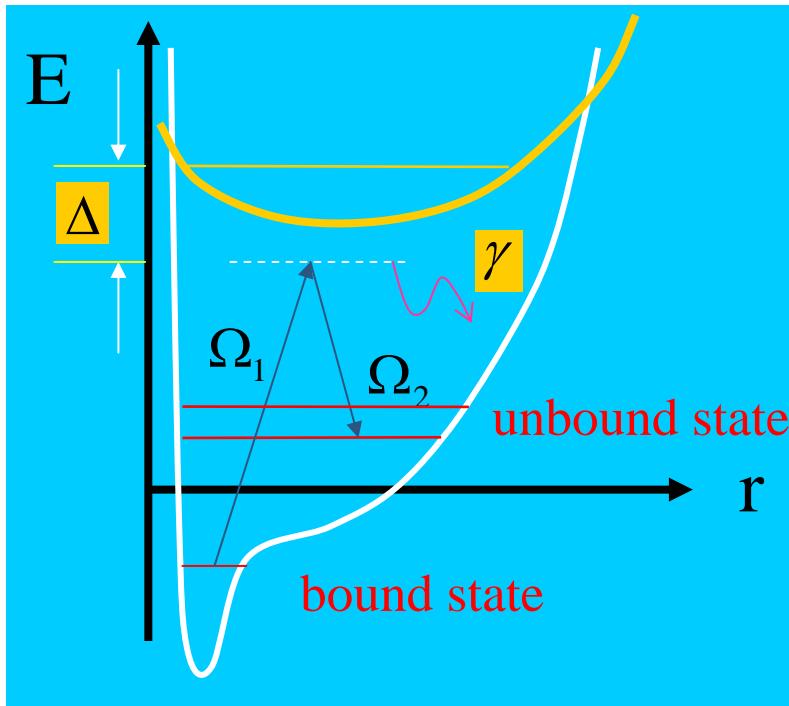
(II) Proposed method:

- (1) Prepare **(bi-fermion) molecule** and boson mixtures
- (2) Sympathetic cooling to condensation of bosons and molecules
- (3) Adiabatically turn on the optical lattice to strong laser amplitude
- (4) **Apply two-photon Raman scattering to dissociate molecules**
- (5) Reduce lattice potential to lower value
- (6) Tuning the magnetic field

# System preparation (II)

--- Two-color Raman scattering, two-photon disassociation, or STIRAP (stimulated Raman adiabatic passage)

P.D. Drummond *et al.*, PRA **65**, 63618 ('02); M. Mackie *et al.*, PRL **84**, 3803 ('00);  
D. Jaksch *et al.*, PRL **89**, 40402 ('02); R. Wynar, *et al.*, Science **287**, 1016 ('00)



Effective Rabi frequency and linewidth

$$\Omega_{\text{eff}} = \Omega_1 \Omega_2 / 2\Delta$$
$$\gamma_{\text{eff}} = \gamma \Omega_1^2 / 4\Delta^2$$

Effective linewidth can be reduced by  
Tuning the laser amplitude and detuning

# Detection of exotic phases

(1) charge-density-wave  $\langle f_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q},s}^+ f_{\mathbf{k},s} \rangle \neq 0$

→ Time of flight measurement of bosons → peak at  $\mathbf{k}=\mathbf{Q}$

(2) spin-density wave  $\langle f_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q},s}^+ f_{\mathbf{k},-s} \rangle \neq 0$

→ Noise correlation measurement of fermions → peak at  $\mathbf{k}=\mathbf{Q}$

→ E. Altman, *et. al.*, Phys. Rev. A **70**, 013603 (2004).

(3) Pairing phases:  $\langle f_{\mathbf{k},s} f_{-\mathbf{k},s'} \rangle \neq 0$

→ Noise correlation measurement of fermions → peak at  $\mathbf{k}=0$

(4) Gap symmetry of pairing phases:

→ Bragg scattering → zero excitation between two nodal points

(5) Single particle gap:

→ rf spectroscopy → nonzero absorption above a critical frequency

# Summary

- (1) In 1D BFM system, polaronic effect can be solved exactly and the system can be understood as *Luttinger liquid of polarons*.
- (2) Fermion-pairing phase could have higher  $T_c$  when including the polaronic effects and *strong coupling theory*.
- (3) Many exotic quantum phases (like *s-,p-,d-wave pairing superfluidity, CDW and SDW*) can be observed in Bose-Fermi mixtures in 2D optical lattice by tuning various atomic or/and lattice parameters.
- (4) *Two-color Raman scattering* can be used to created unconventional pairing phase.
- (5) 2D B-F system can provide some insights to the understanding of *high  $T_c$  cuprates*.