

Influence of trap anisotropy and dimensionality on perturbative effective 2- and 3-body interactions

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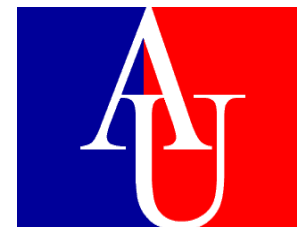
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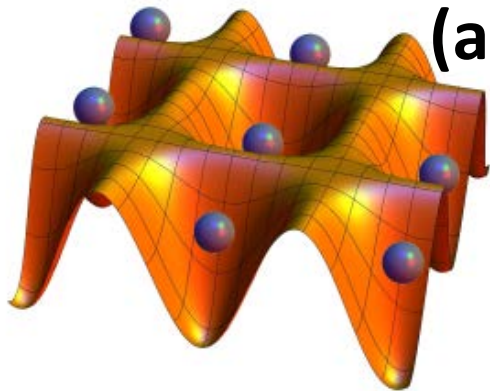


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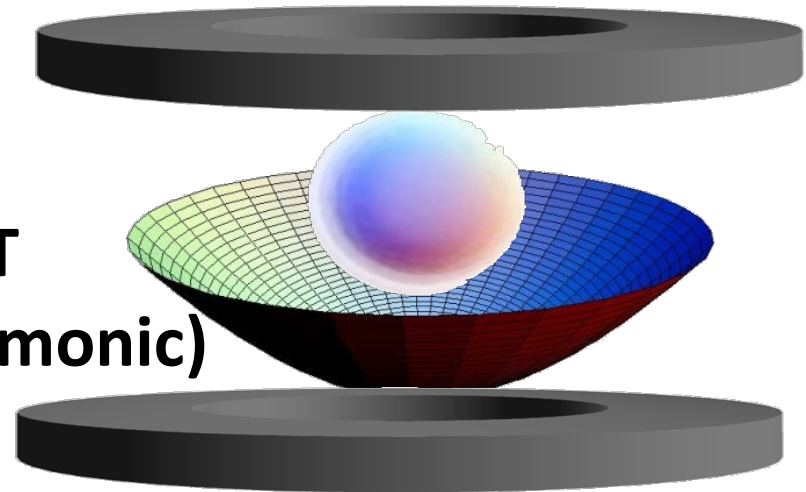
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- **Many-body physics in optical lattices**
- Few-body physics in optical lattices
- Effective interactions in harmonic traps
- Effective interactions in anisotropic harmonic traps
- Effective interactions in 1D, 2D, (4D?)

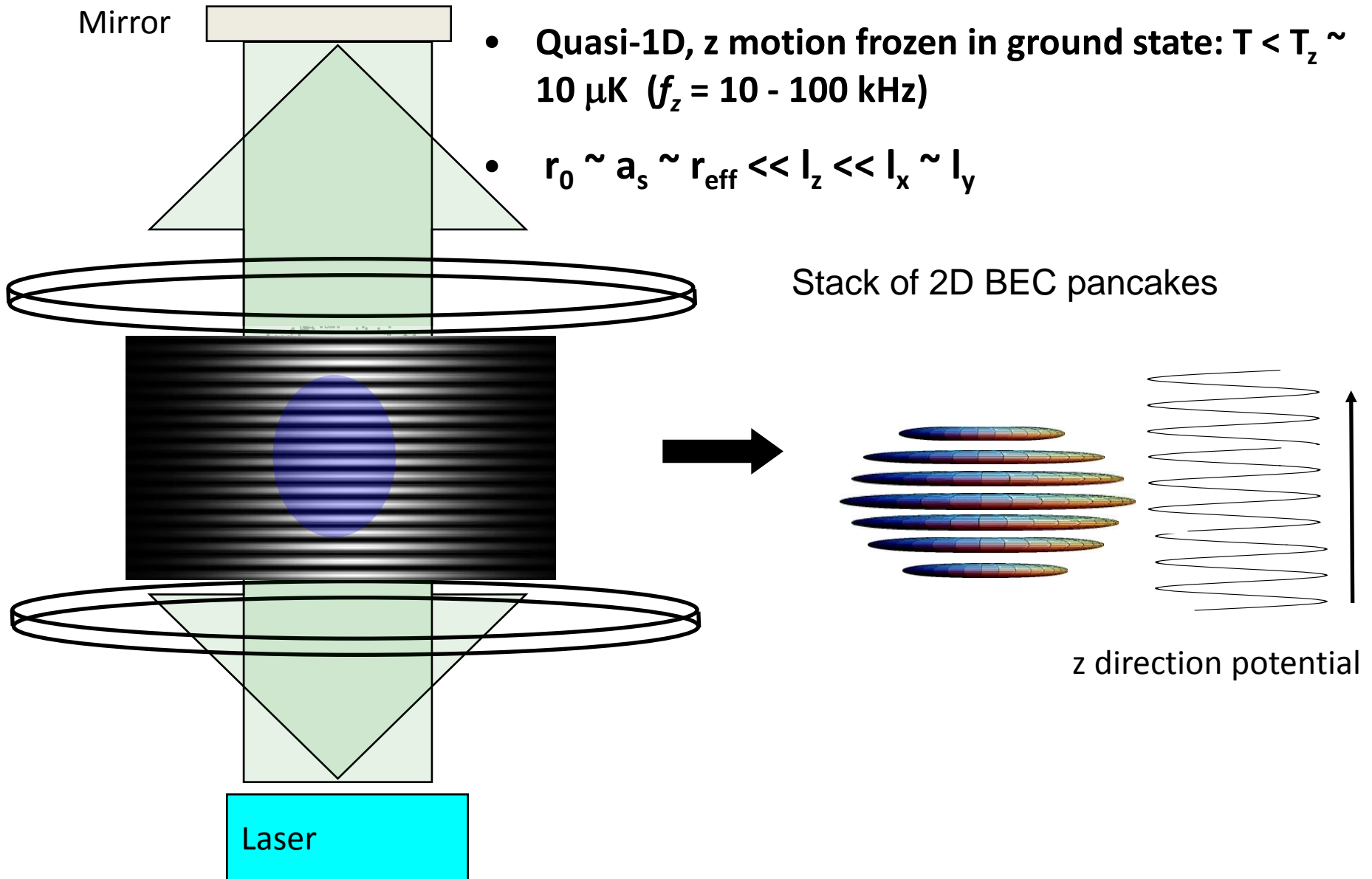


**Optical lattice
(anharmonic)**

**MOT
(harmonic)**

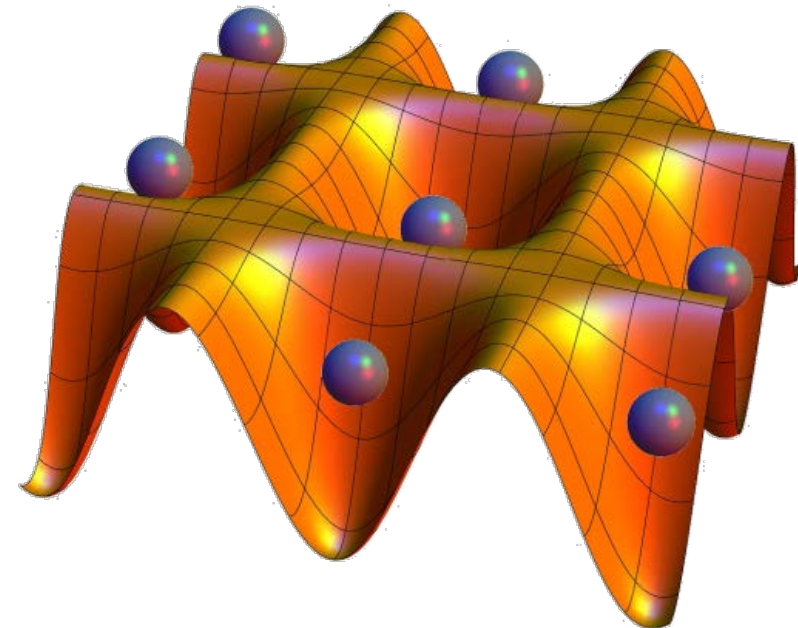
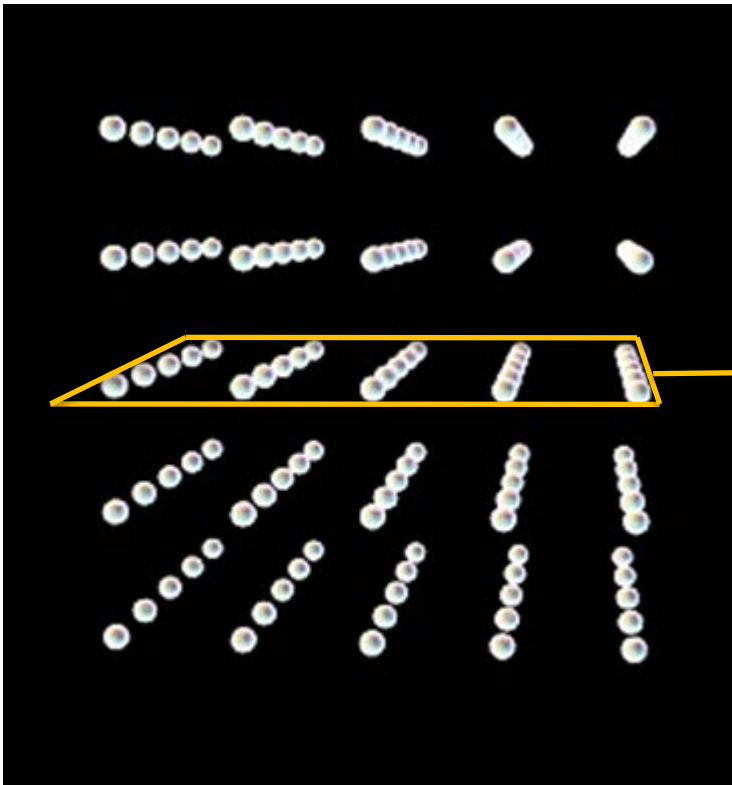
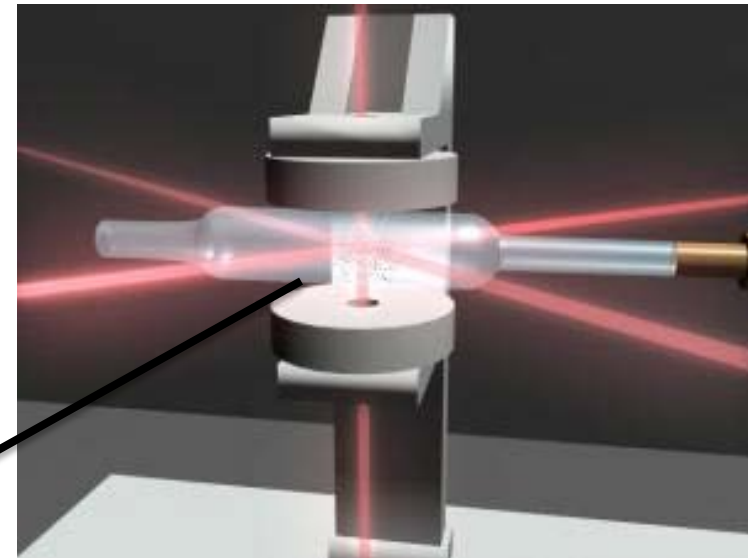


1D optical lattice



3D Optical Lattice

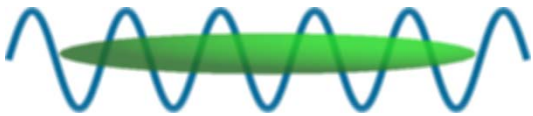
Typically assume atoms in lowest band, although higher-band physics can be very important.



Equilibrium Lattice States

- Shallow lattice
- n /site unknown, phase defined

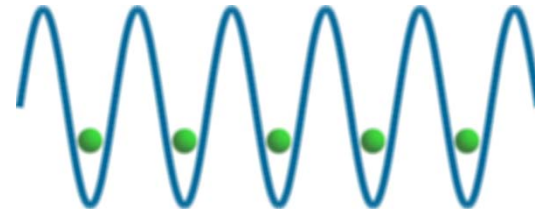
- Deep lattice
- e.g., 1 atom per lattice site, random phase



Superfluid

Each atom is in a superposition over all lattice sites.

$$s = U/J$$



Mott Insulator

Bose-Hubbard Hamiltonian: *single-mode per lattice site*

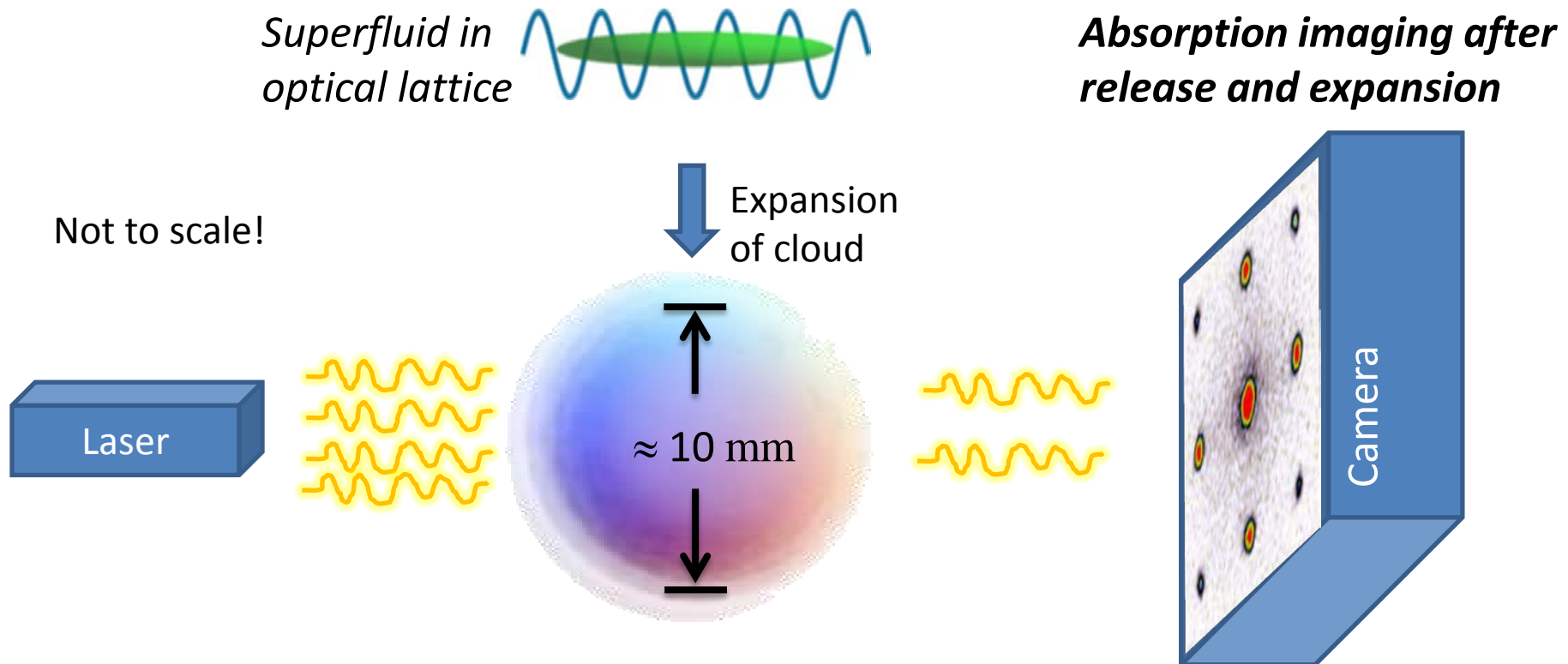
$$H = -J_{ij} \sum_{i,j} \hat{a}_i^+ \hat{a}_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i U_i \hat{n} (\hat{n} - 1) \quad , i = \text{lattice site index}$$

Tunneling

Interactions

Quantum Phase Transition at $s = s_c$ (Zero Temperature Phase Transition)

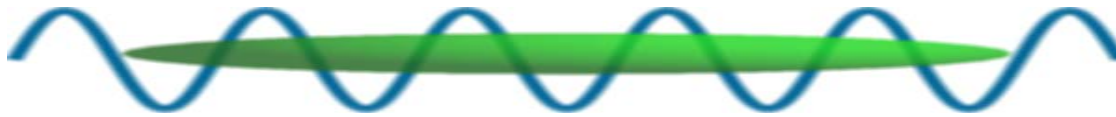
Atom density measurement after release and expansion from lattice gives the *momentum distribution* at the instant of release.



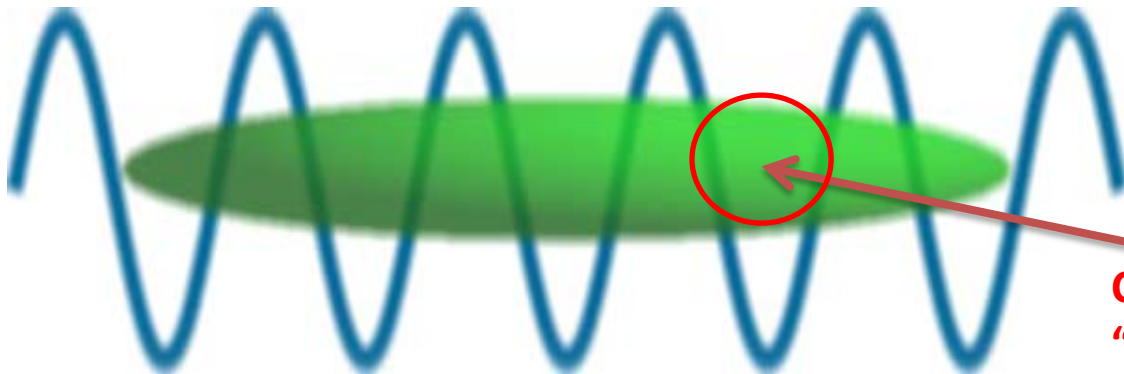
Distribution when atoms in $k = 0$ quasi-momentum at moment of release

Quenching from shallow to deep lattice

- Start with superfluid in shallow lattice



- Quickly increase lattice well depth (by increasing lattice laser intensities)



Coherent states
"projected" into each well

- Fast enough atoms don't have time to interact/tunnel (avoid Mott transition). Quantum field at each lattice site "frozen" in place.
- Atom number in each site remains unknown; each atom in superposition over all lattice sites.
- Slow enough that vibrational excitation from ground band to higher bands is minimal.

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Many-body \rightarrow Few-Body Physics in Optical Lattices

$$|\Phi_{BEC}\rangle^{\otimes N} \xrightarrow[\sim 300 \mu\text{s}]{\text{Fast Loading}} \left| \sum_{i=\text{lattice}} \psi_i \right\rangle^{\otimes N} \approx \prod_i |\alpha_i\rangle$$

All N atoms in single BEC state.

Superposition of *each* atom in *every* lattice site

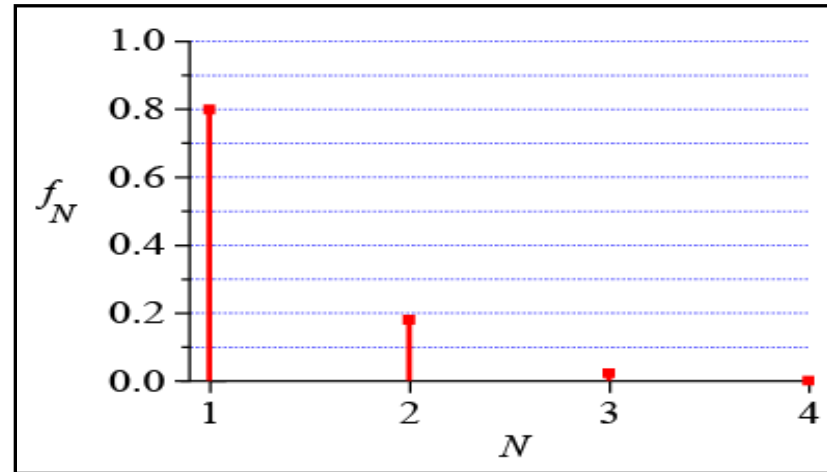
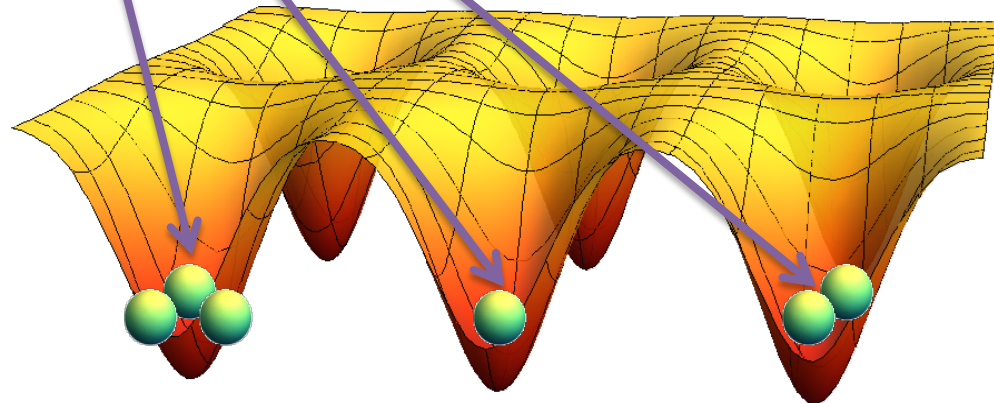
Poissonian number statistics (*coherent states*) in each unit cell.

Coherent states

$$|\alpha_i\rangle = e^{-|\alpha_i|^2/2} \sum_{n_i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_i^{n_i}}{\sqrt{n_i!}} |n_i\rangle = e^{-\bar{n}/2} \left(\mathbf{0} + \alpha \text{ (1 atom)} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (2 atoms)} + \frac{\alpha^3}{\sqrt{3!}} \text{ (3 atoms)} + \dots \right)$$

$n_i = \text{atom \# in } i^{\text{th}} \text{ well}$

$|\alpha_i|^2 = \text{average atom \# in } i^{\text{th}} \text{ well}$



E.g. Data (NIST, Porto/Williams group)

Bose-Hubbard dynamics in deep lattice

$$H = \frac{1}{2}U_2 a^\dagger a^\dagger a a + \text{tunneling}$$



$$E_N = \frac{1}{2}U_2 N(N-1)$$

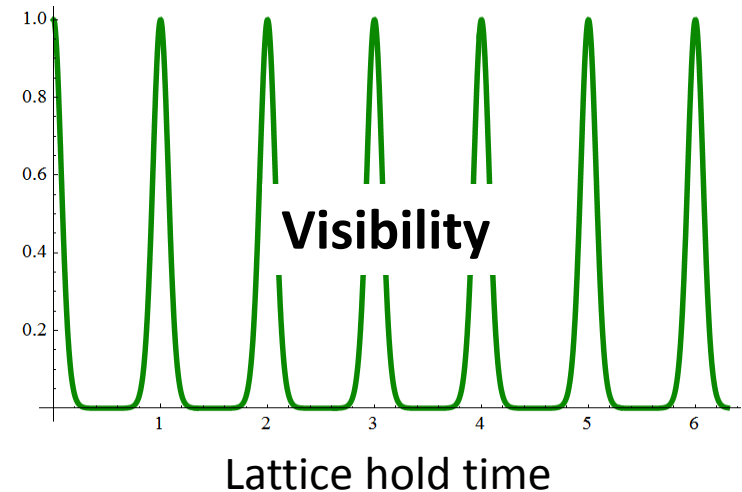
Set 1-particle ground state energy to zero.

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-\bar{n}t/2} \left(\mathbf{0} + \alpha \text{ (1 atom)} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (2 atoms)} e^{-iU_2 t} + \frac{\alpha^3}{\sqrt{3!}} \text{ (3 atoms)} e^{-i3U_2 t} + \frac{\alpha^4}{\sqrt{4!}} \text{ (4 atoms)} e^{-i6U_2 t} + \dots \right)$$

3 pairs from 3 atoms
6 pairs from 4 atoms

Interference pattern visibility:

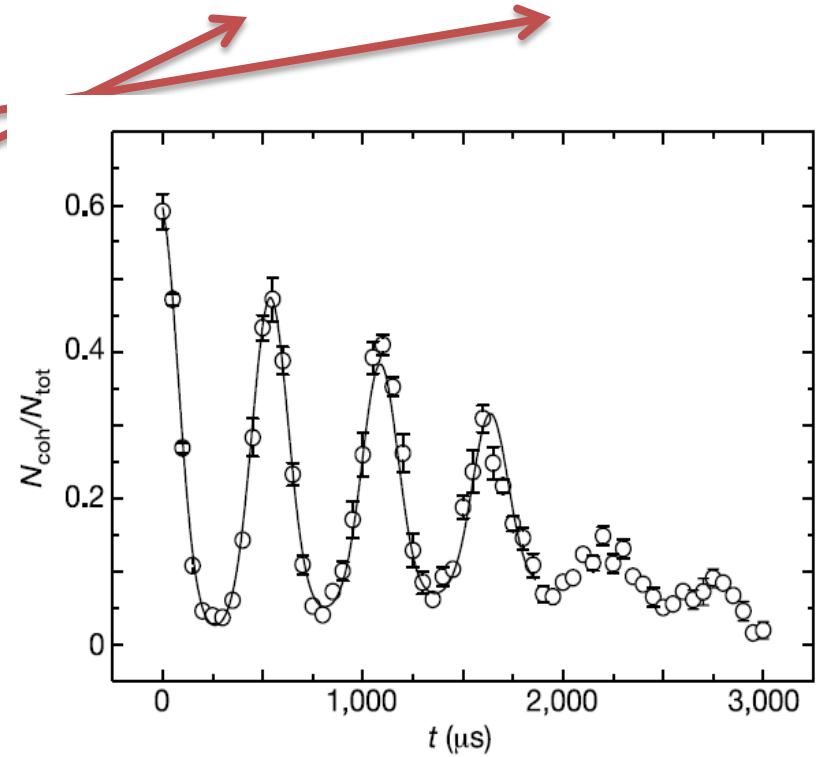
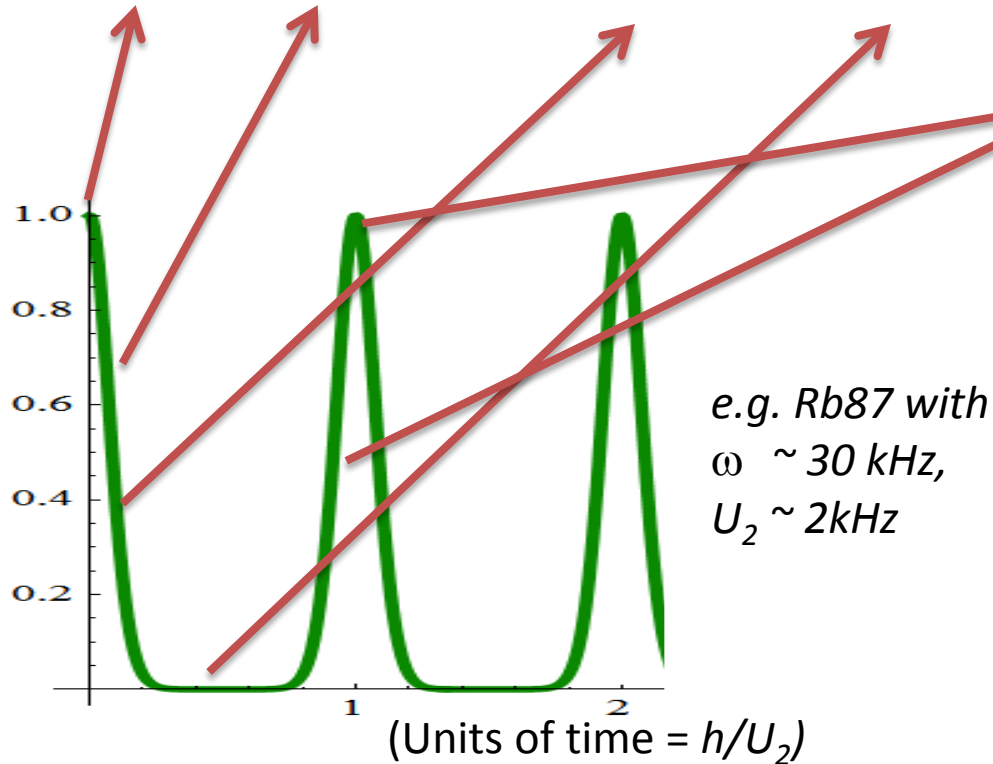
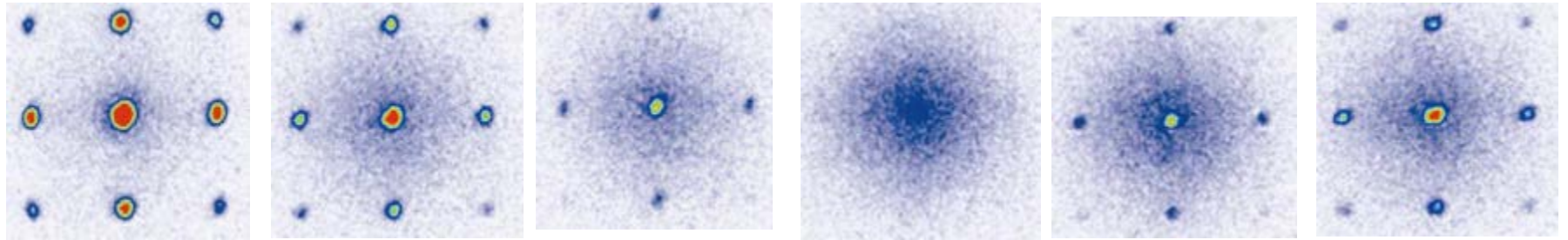
$$v(t_h) = |\langle \psi(t_h) | \hat{a}_0 | \psi(t_h) \rangle|^2 = e^{-2\bar{n}[1 - \cos(\tilde{U}_2 t_h / \hbar)]}$$



Predicts re-phasing every multiple of $t = h/U_2$

Collapse and Revival

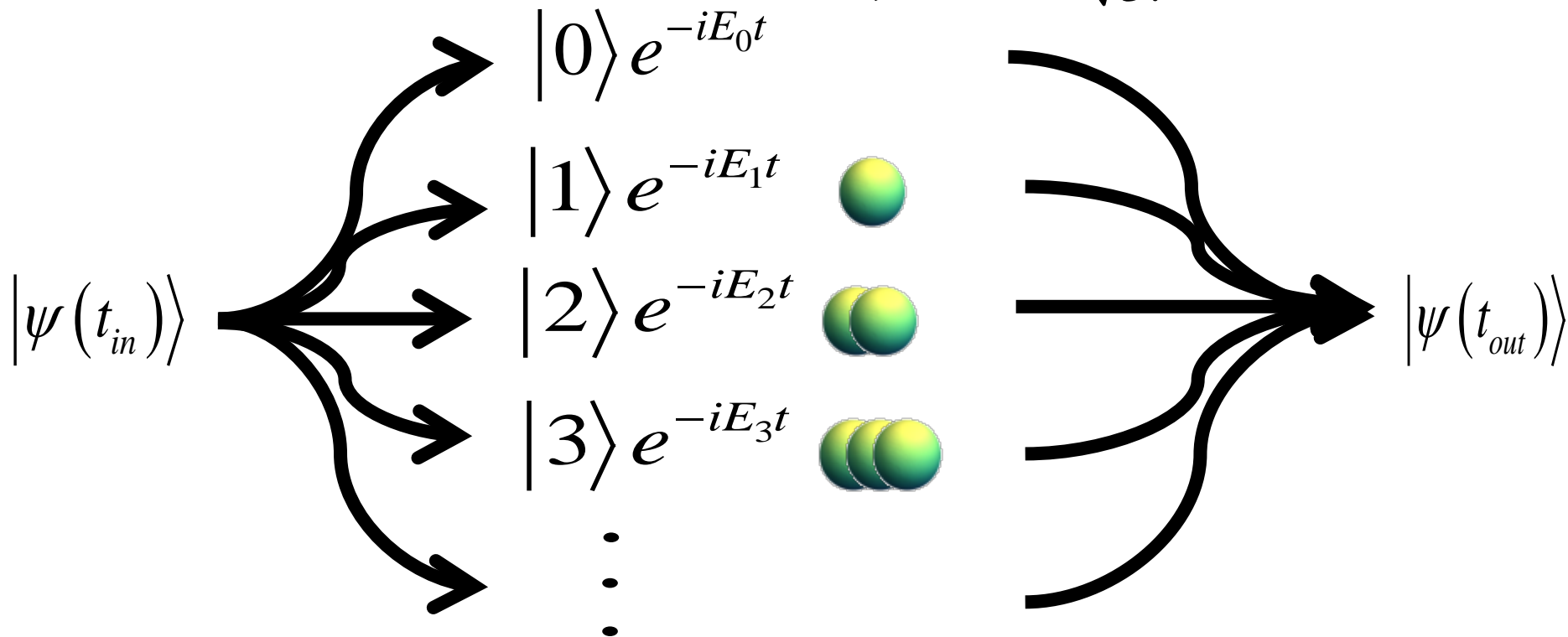
Lattice hold time



“Multibody interaction interferometer”

Input state:

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = |\alpha\rangle = e^{-\bar{n}/2} \left(\mathbf{0} + \alpha \text{ (1 sphere)} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (2 spheres)} + \frac{\alpha^3}{\sqrt{3!}} \text{ (3 spheres)} + \dots \right)$$

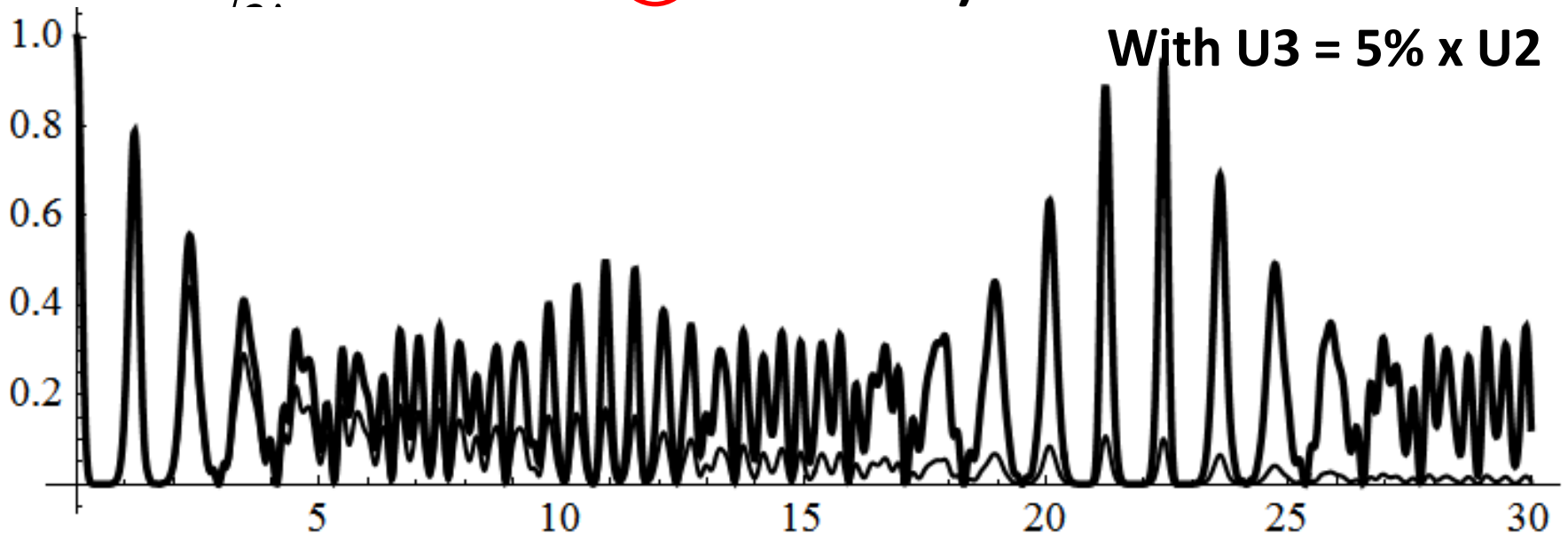


Each number state evolves “independently” while in lattice. They interfere after release and time-of-flight (TOF) expansion.

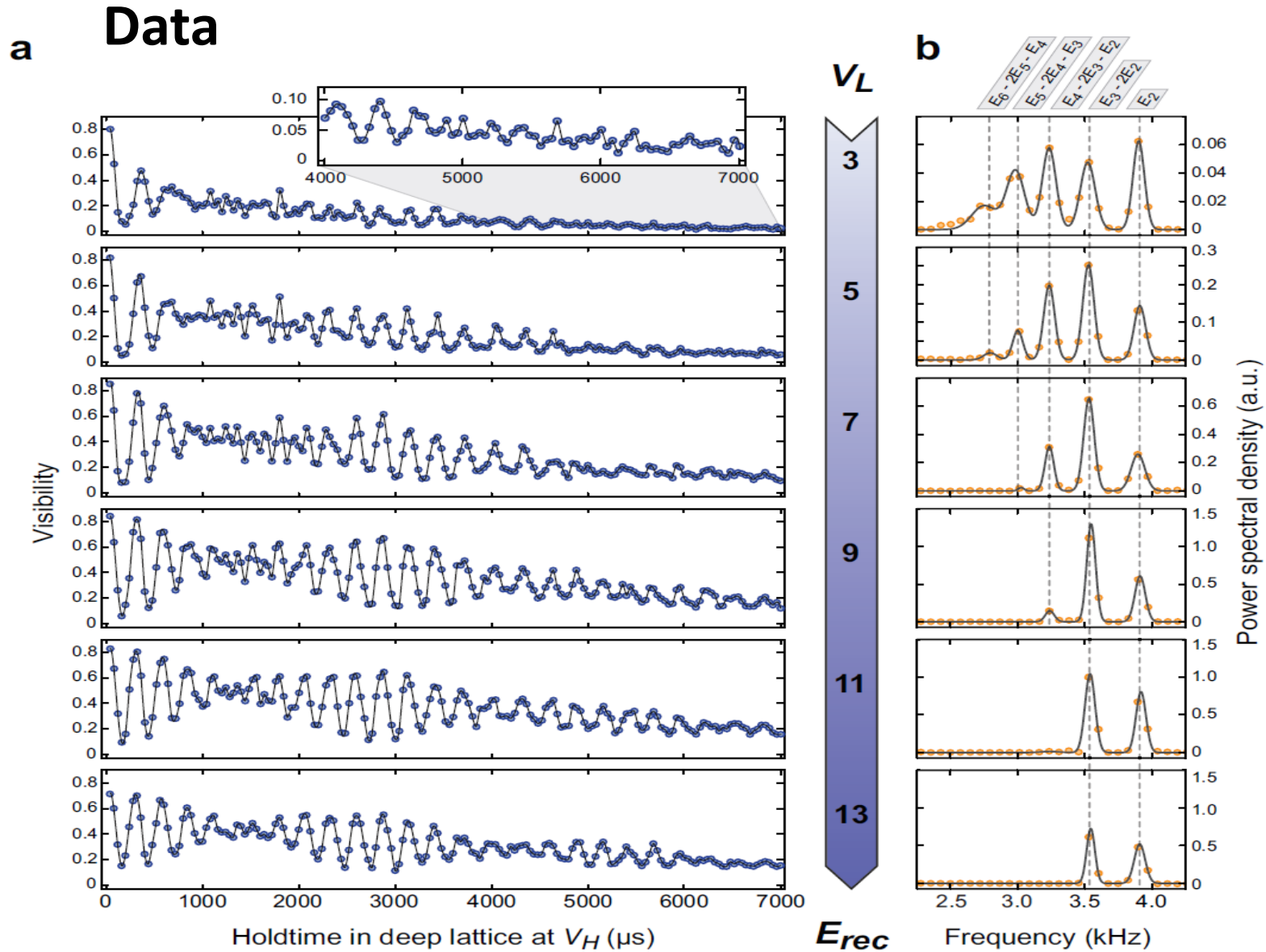
Phase evolution with higher-body interactions

$$E_N = \frac{1}{2}U_2N(N-1) + \frac{1}{6}U_3N(N-1)(N-2) + \dots$$

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \sum_{N=0} b_N |N\rangle e^{-iE_N t} = e^{-i\bar{n}t/2} \left(0 + \alpha \text{ (one particle)} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (two particles)} e^{-iU_2 t} + \frac{\alpha^3}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ (three particles)} e^{-i(3U_2 + U_3)t} + \dots \right)$$



Many-body \rightarrow Few-Body Physics in Optical Lattices



Will et al, Nature (2009)

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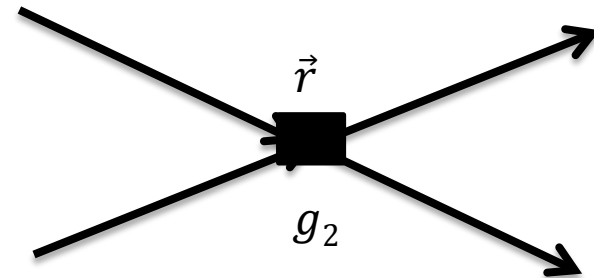
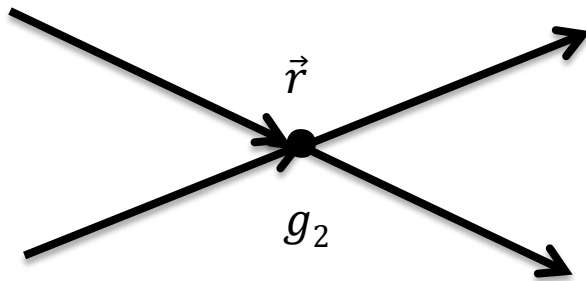
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Low-energy field theory

- N particles, assume $a/l \ll 1$.

$$H = \int \psi^\dagger H_0 \psi d\vec{r} + \frac{1}{2!} g_2 \int \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2^\dagger \delta(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) \psi_1 \psi_2 d\vec{r}_1 d\vec{r}_2$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2!} g_{2,eff} \int \psi_1^\dagger \psi_2^\dagger \frac{1}{2} [\vec{\nabla}^2 \delta(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) + \delta(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) \vec{\nabla}^2] \psi_1 \psi_2 d\vec{r}_1 d\vec{r}_2$$

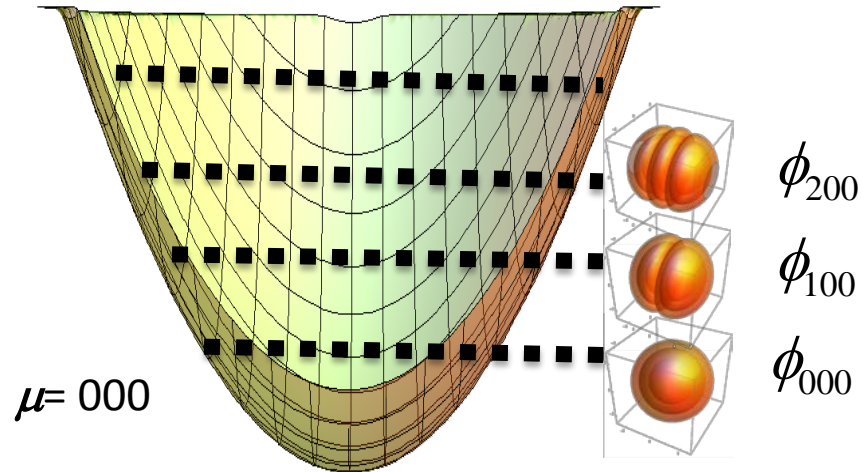


Multimode Hamiltonian

Expand over single well harmonic oscillator wavefunctions

$$\psi(\vec{r}) = \sum_n a_n \phi_n(\vec{r})$$

a_μ annihilates atom in mode μ

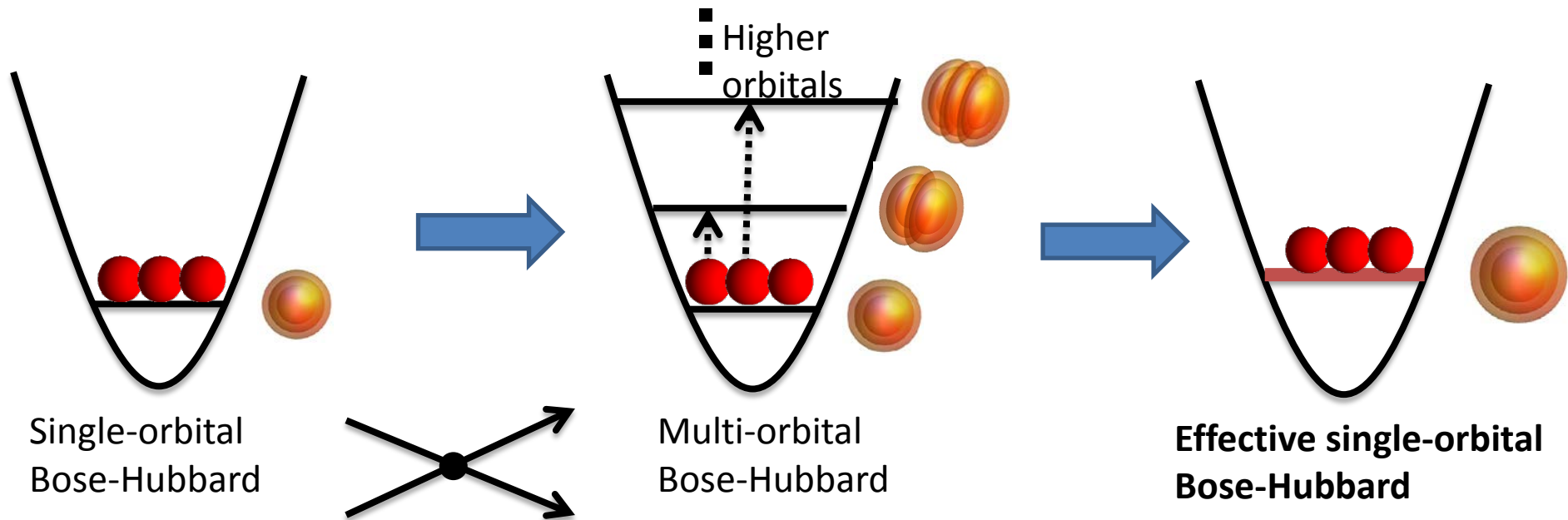


$$H = \sum_{\mu} E_{\mu} a_{\mu}^{\dagger} a_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} g_2 \sum_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} K_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} a_{\mu}^{\dagger} a_{\nu}^{\dagger} a_{\lambda} a_{\rho}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} g_{2,eff} \sum_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} G_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} a_{\mu}^{\dagger} a_{\nu}^{\dagger} a_{\lambda} a_{\rho}$$

$$K_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} = \left(2\pi\sigma^2\right)^{3/2} \int \phi_{\mu} \phi_{\nu} \phi_{\lambda} \phi_{\rho} d\vec{r}, \quad K_{0000} = 1$$

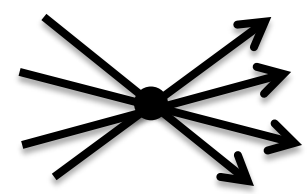
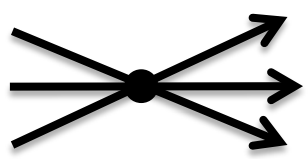
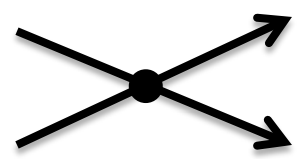
Effective single-mode Hamiltonian



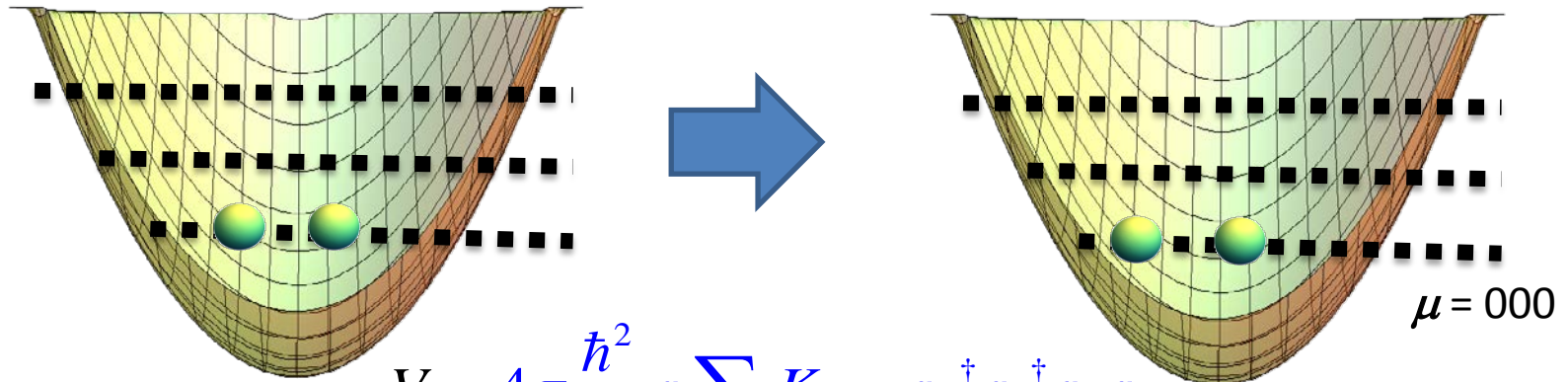
$$H_{s.m.} = \frac{1}{2} U_2 a_0^\dagger a_0^\dagger a_0 a_0$$

$$H_{m.m.} = \frac{1}{2} U_2 \sum_{nmlk} K_{nmlk} a_n^\dagger a_m^\dagger a_l a_k$$

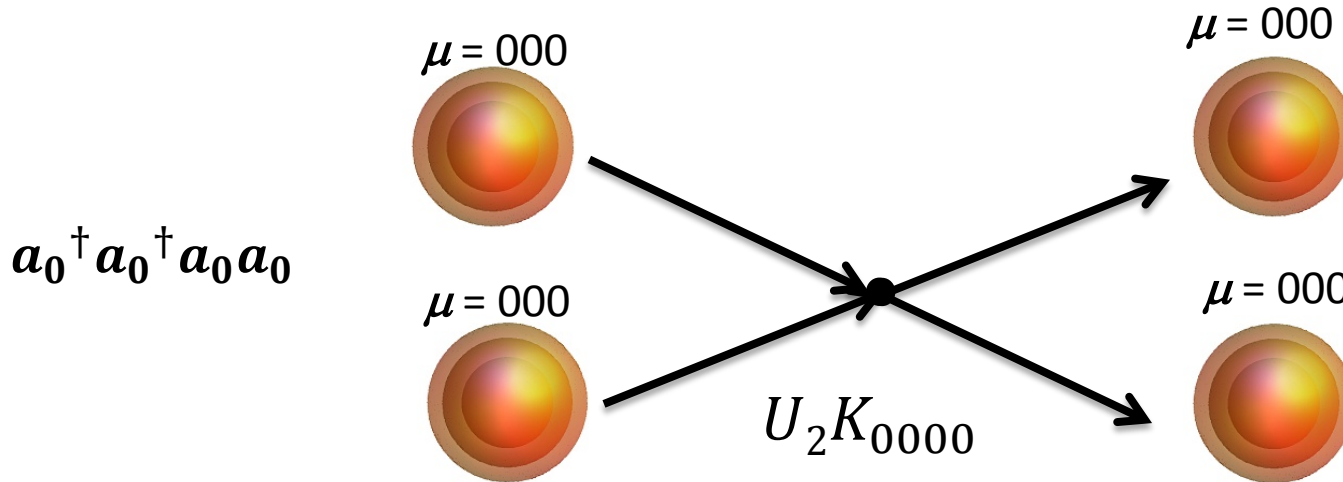
$$\tilde{H}_{eff} = \frac{1}{2!} \tilde{U}_2 a_0^\dagger a_0^\dagger a_0 a_0 + \frac{1}{3!} \tilde{U}_3 a_0^\dagger a_0^\dagger a_0^\dagger a_0 a_0 a_0 + \frac{1}{4!} \tilde{U}_4 a_0^\dagger a_0^\dagger a_0^\dagger a_0^\dagger a_0 a_0 a_0 a_0 + \dots$$



1st order perturbation theory (“Mean field”)



$$V = 4\pi \frac{\hbar^2}{m} a \sum_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} K_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} a_{\mu}^{\dagger} a_{\nu}^{\dagger} a_{\lambda} a_{\rho}$$

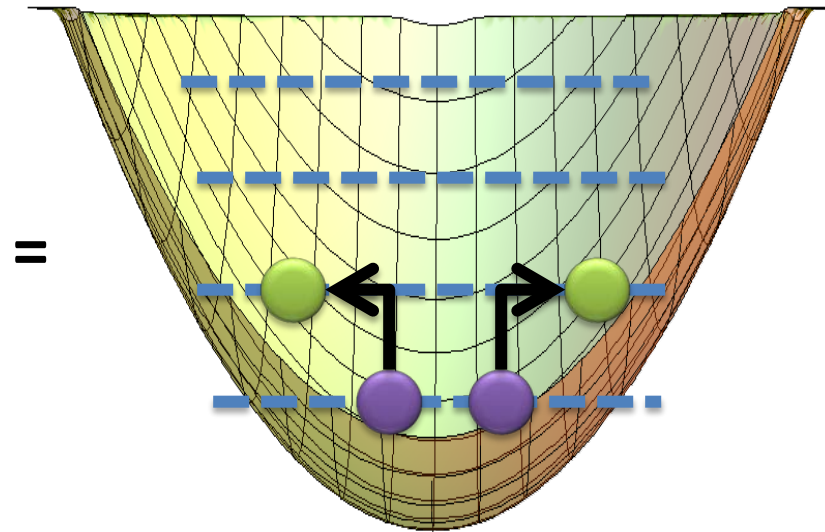
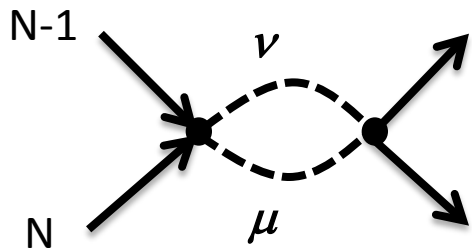


$$E^{(1)}(n) = \langle n | V | n \rangle = \frac{1}{2} g_2 K_{0000} \langle n | a_0^{\dagger} a_0^{\dagger} a_0 a_0 | n \rangle = \frac{1}{2} U_2 n(n-1)$$

2nd order perturbation theory

$$\delta E_N^{(2)} = - \sum_{\mu} \frac{\langle N | V | \mu \rangle \langle \mu | V | N \rangle}{\Delta E_{\mu}} \propto \sqrt{\Lambda} n(n-1)$$

Sum over intermediate excited (virtual) states



$\Lambda = \text{cutoff}$

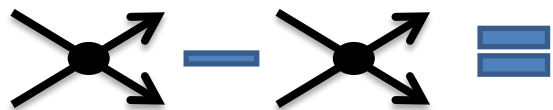
Exclude $\mu = \nu = 0$

■■■■■■■■ = atom in vibrationally excited (virtual) intermediate state

———— = atom in $\mu = 0$ state

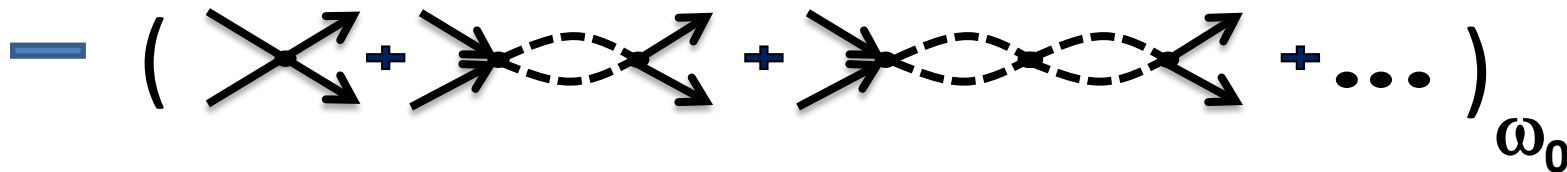
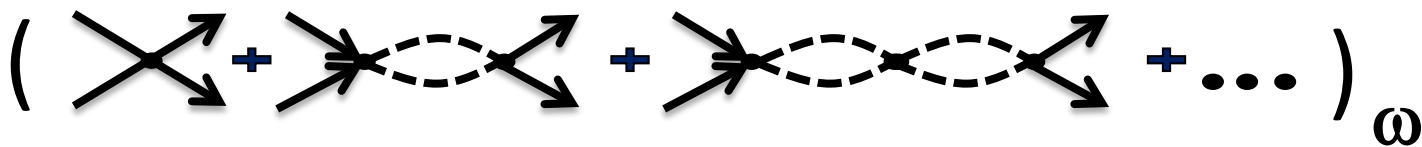
✕ = U_2 interaction vertex

Renormalization



ω

ω_0



3rd order calculations: 2-body

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_2(\omega; \omega_0) &= \text{diagram 1} - \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} - \text{diagram 4} + \text{diagram 5} - 2 \text{diagram 6} + \text{diagram 7} + \mathcal{O}(a_t^4) \\
 &= \alpha_2^{(1)} \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right) - \beta_2^{(2)}(\omega) \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^2 + \alpha_2^{(1)} \left(\frac{a_{ct}(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right) - \alpha_{4,3}^{(3)} \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^3 \\
 &+ \beta_2^{(3)}(\omega) \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^3 - 2\beta_2^{(2)}(\omega) \left(\frac{a_{ct}(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right) \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right) + \alpha_2^{(1,2)} \left(\frac{r_{\text{eff}}}{\sigma(\omega)} \right) \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^2 \\
 &+ \mathcal{O}(a_t^4).
 \end{aligned}$$

Counter-term renormalization condition

$$\text{diagram 6} - 2 \text{diagram 2} = \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 4} - \text{diagram 5} - \text{diagram 7}$$

Renormalization

$$U_2(\omega) = c_2^{(1)} \left(\frac{a(0)}{l(\omega)} \right) + c_2^{(2)} \left(\frac{a(0)}{l(\omega)} \right)^2 + c_2^{(3)} \left(\frac{a(0)}{l(\omega)} \right)^3 + \dots$$

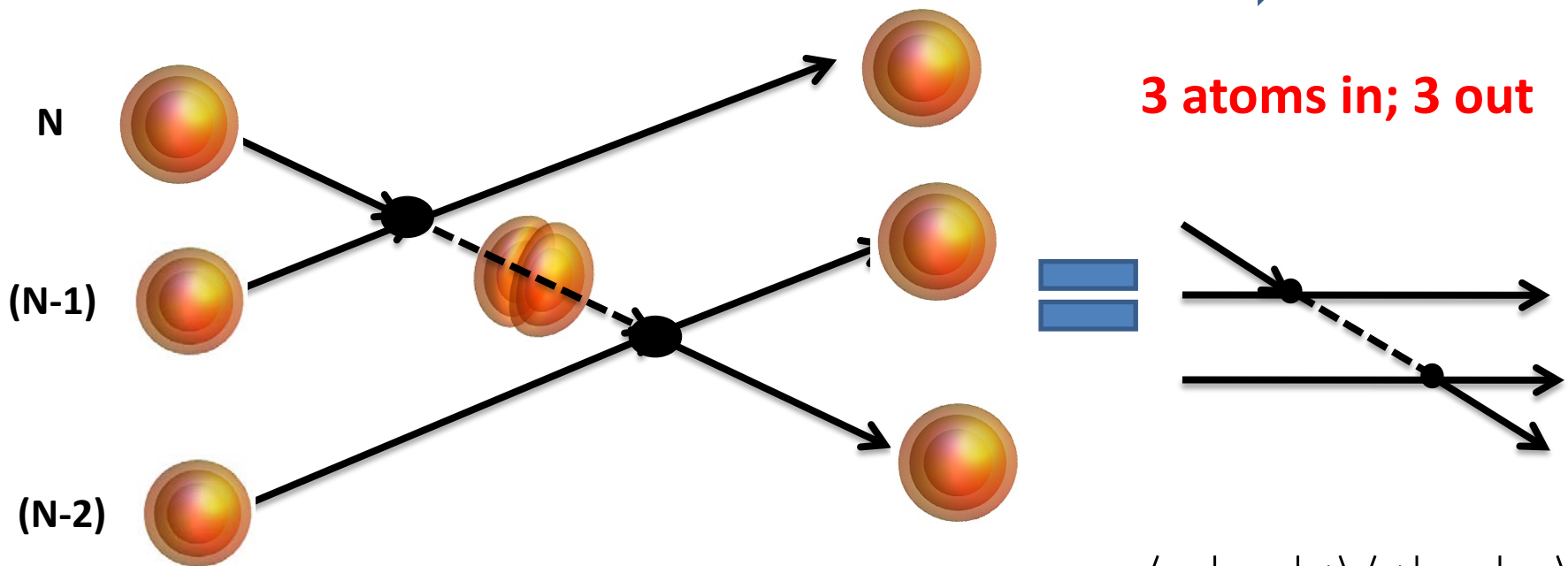
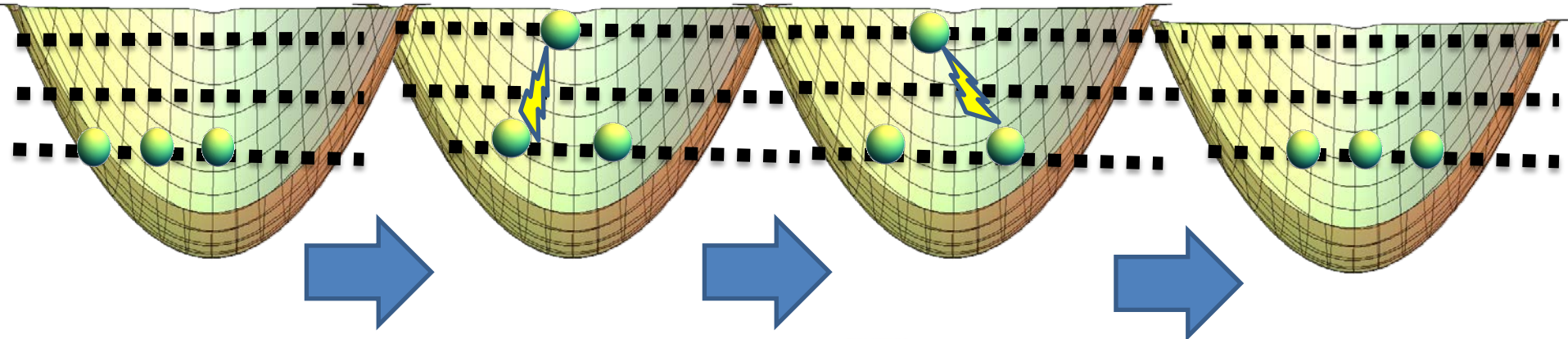
$$c_2^{(1)} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$c_2^{(2)} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right) (1 - \log 2) (1 - \sqrt{\omega_0 / \omega})$$

$$c_2^{(3)} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{3/2} (1 - \log 2)^2 (1 - \sqrt{\omega_0 / \omega})^2 - \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{3/2} \left(\pi^2 / 24 + \log 2 - \frac{1}{2} \log^2 2 \right) (1 - \omega_0 / \omega)$$

**If $\omega_0 = \text{zero}$, (perturbatively) reproduces
Busch et al.**

Effective 3-body Interaction



$$U_3^{(2)} = - \sum_{\vec{n}=n_x n_y n_z} \frac{\langle N | H_2 | \vec{n} \rangle \langle \vec{n} | H_2 | N \rangle}{\Delta E_{\vec{n}0}}$$

Effective 3-body Interaction Energy

$$\begin{aligned}\delta E_N^{(2)} &= -(U_2)^2 \sum_{\mu \neq 0} \frac{K_{\mu 000}^2 \langle N | \hat{a}_0^\dagger \hat{a}_0^\dagger \hat{a}_0 \hat{a}_\mu | \mu \rangle \langle \mu | \hat{a}_\mu^\dagger \hat{a}_0^\dagger \hat{a}_0 \hat{a}_0 | N \rangle}{4\Delta E_\mu} \\ &= -\beta (U_2)^2 n(n-1)(n-2)/6\end{aligned}$$

Exact leading order,
isotropic harmonic trap

$$\beta = 4\sqrt{3} - 6 + 6 \log \left(\frac{4}{2 + \sqrt{3}} \right) \simeq 1.34\dots$$

* The factor $n(n-1)(n-2)/6$ counts the number of distinct triples.

The shift in energy is a 3-body effect.

Isotropic case

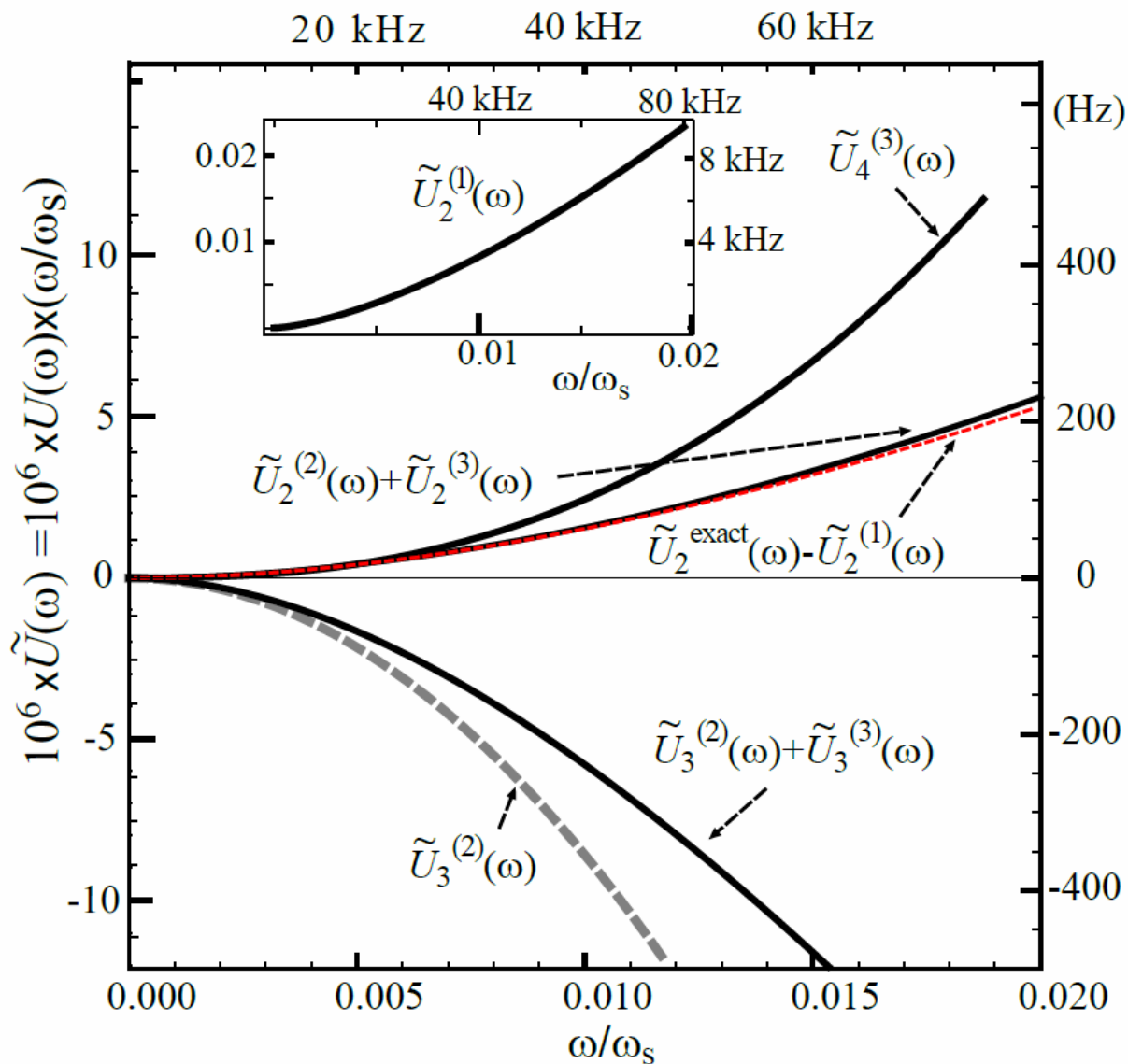
3rd order, 3-body

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_3(\omega; \omega_0) &= -6 \text{diagram}_1 + 12 \text{diagram}_2 + 12 \text{diagram}_3 - 12 \text{diagram}_4 - 6 \text{diagram}_5 - 18 \text{diagram}_6 + \mathcal{O}(a_t^4) \\
 &= -6\alpha_3^{(2)} \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^2 + 12\alpha_3^{(3)} \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^3 + 12\beta_3^{(3)}(\omega) \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^3 \\
 &\quad - 12\alpha_3^{(2)} \left(\frac{a_{ct}(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right) \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right) - 6\alpha_{4,3}^{(3)} \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^3 - 18\alpha_5^{(3)} \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^3 + \mathcal{O}(a_t^4).
 \end{aligned}$$

3rd order, 4-body

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_4(\omega; \omega_0) &= 48 \text{diagram}_1 + 48 \text{diagram}_2 - 72 \text{diagram}_3 + \mathcal{O}(a_t^4) \\
 &= c_4^{(3)} \left(\frac{a_t(\omega_0)}{\sigma(\omega)} \right)^3 + \mathcal{O}(a_t^4),
 \end{aligned}$$

“Running” interaction energies

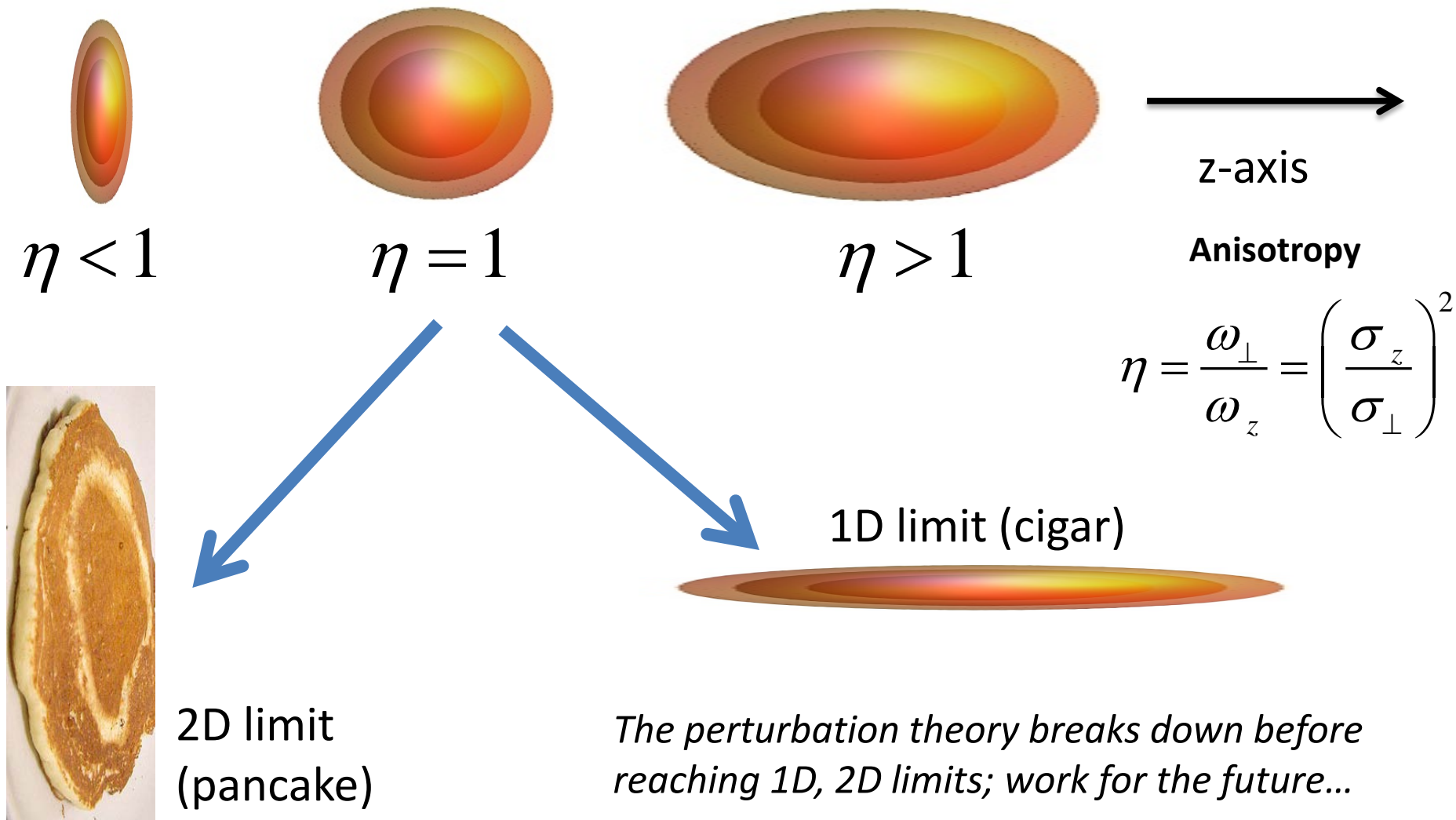


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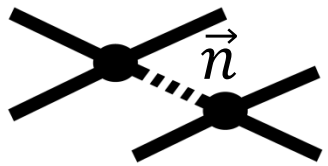
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Anisotropic harmonic potential

Fix ω_{\perp} , vary ω_z . All energies in units of fixed $\hbar\omega_{\perp}$.



Effective 3-body anisotropic H.O.

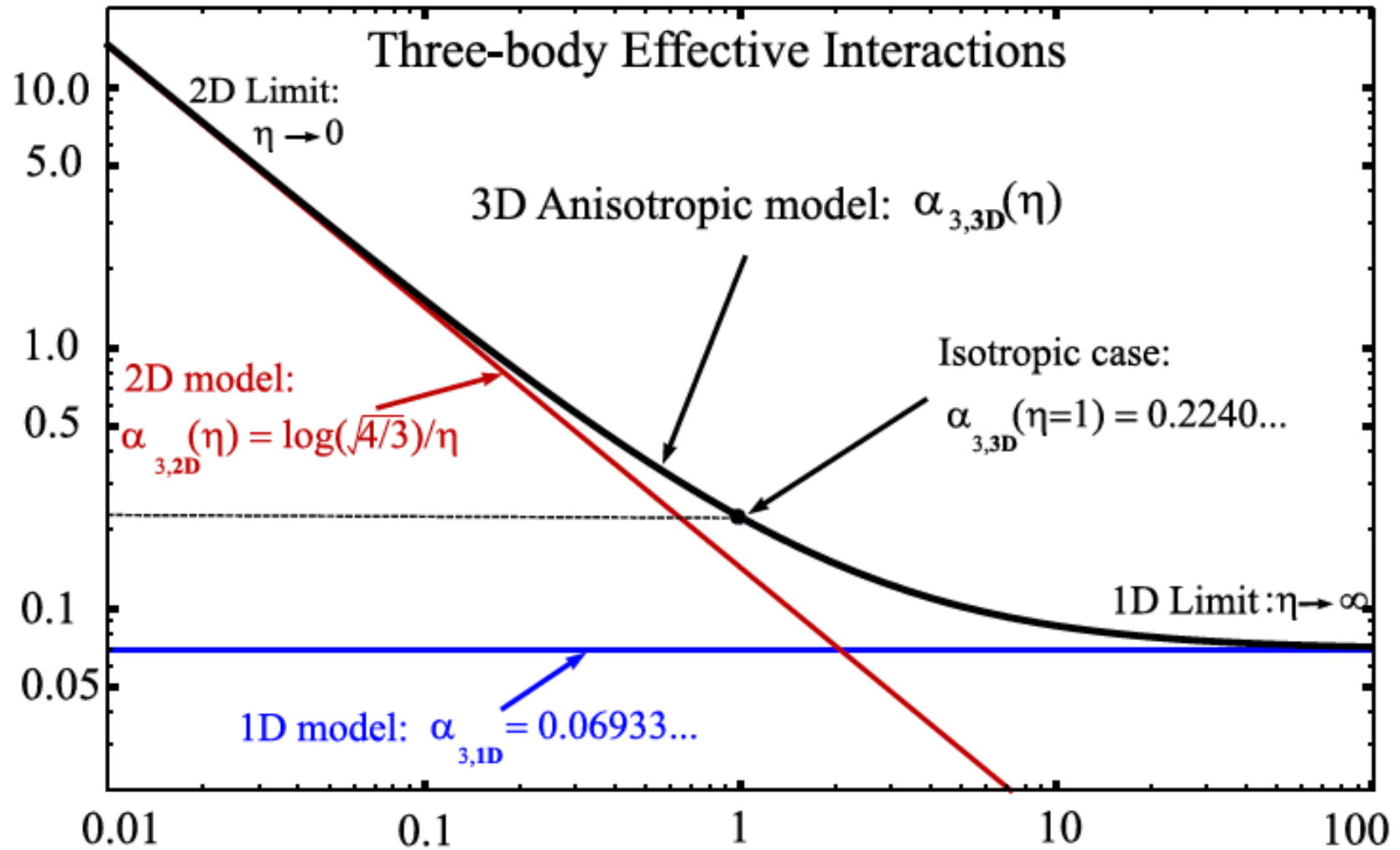
$$U_3^{(2)} = -6 \text{  } = -6 \left(\sum_{\vec{n}=n_x n_y n_z} \frac{K_{000\vec{n}} K_{\vec{n}000}}{n_x + n_y + \eta^{-1} n_z} \right) \left(\frac{a_t}{\sigma_z} \right)^2$$

Can be reduced to infinite sum over single index.

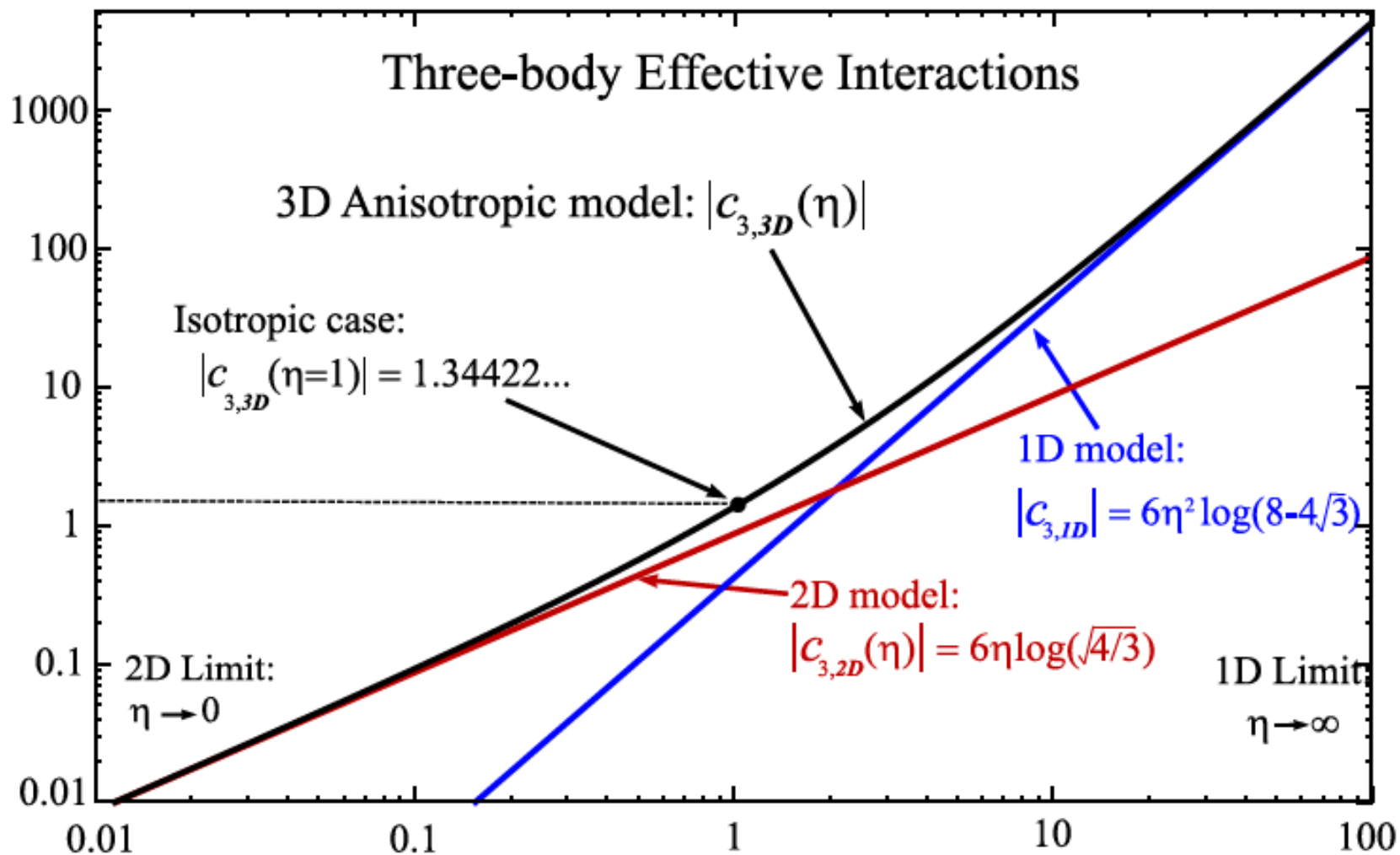
$$c_3^{(2)}(\eta) = -6\eta^2 \alpha_3^{(2)}(\eta).$$

$$\alpha_3^{(2)}(\eta) = \log(8 - 4\sqrt{3}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\rho=1}^{\infty} 2^{2\rho(\eta-1)} B_{1/4}(\eta\rho, 1/2).$$

Cylindrically symmetric trap



Cylindrically symmetric trap



Cylindrical trap: Two-body energy

$$U_2^{(2)}(\eta) = c_2^{(2)}(\omega_z, \eta; \omega'_z, \eta') \gamma_t^2,$$

$$c_2^{(2)}(\omega_z, \eta; \omega'_z, \eta') = \eta \left(\eta' \sqrt{\frac{\omega'_z}{\omega_z}} - \eta \right) \log 2 + \frac{\eta}{2} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\omega'_z}{\omega_z}} F(\eta') - F(\eta) \right).$$

$$F(\eta) \equiv \eta \sqrt{\pi} \sum_{\rho=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\eta\rho)}{\Gamma(\eta\rho + 1/2)} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\eta\rho}} \right) + \sqrt{\eta\pi} \zeta(1/2),$$

Agrees perturbatively with result of Idziaszek and Calarco

Z. Idziaszek and T. Calarco, Phys. Rev. A, 74, 022712 (2006).

Summary of Results

- Our new 3D results for anisotropic 2-body energy agree (perturbatively) with previous exact results for isotropic and anisotropic harmonic traps.
- Our new 3D results for anisotropic 3-body agree with our previous 3-body results in isotropic limit.
- The quasi-1D limit of our 3D, 3-body anisotropic results agree with true 1D model prediction. The 1D model also agrees perturbatively with Busch et al predictions for 2-body energy in 1D.
- The quasi-2D limit of our 3D, 3-body anisotropic results agree with the true 2D model prediction.