Few-body problems in ultracold alkali-earth atoms and superfluid Boson-Fermion mixture

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alkali-earth (like) atoms: long-lifetime excited state



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alkali-earth (like) atoms: SU(N) symmetry of fermions



- interactions between atoms in 1S0 or 3P0 states are independent on m_I: SU(N=6) symmetry (⁸⁷Sr : N=10, ¹⁷¹Yb: N=2)
- precision of SU(N): 10⁻⁹ for atoms in 1S0 and 10⁻³ for atoms in 3P0

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Quantum degenerate gases of alkali-earth (like) atoms

2003: ¹⁷⁴Yb

2006: ¹⁷⁰Yb, ¹⁷⁶Yb, ¹⁷³Yb

2009: ⁸⁴Sr

2010: ⁸⁶Sr, ⁸⁸Sr, ⁸⁷Sr, ¹⁷¹Yb-¹⁷³Yb mixture

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- S. Stellmer, F. Schreck, T. C. Killian, arXiv: 1307.0601 (in Annual Review of Cold Atoms and Molecules (World Scientific Publishing Co.), volume 2, chapter 1 (2014))
- S. Sugawa, Y. Takasu, K. Enomoto, and Y. Takahashi, Annual Review of Cold Atoms and Molecules (World Scientific Publishing Co., 2013), chap. Ultracold Ytterbium: Generation, Many-Body Physics, and Molecules.

Our motivation



Our problem: how to control interaction between fermonic alkali-earth atoms in 1S0 or 3P0 states?

Our result

 $^{3}\mathsf{P}_{0}$

two atoms in different electronic orbital and different nuclear spin states

two atoms in different electronic orbital and same nuclear spin states

two atoms in same electronic orbital and different nuclear spin states

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interaction can be controlled by B-field via orbital Feshbach resonance (~60G for Yb173)

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Interaction between alkali atoms





$$V = V_{S=1}(\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2)\hat{P}_{S=1} + V_{S=0}(\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2)\hat{P}_{S=0}$$

Two potential curves: necessary condition for FR

T. Köhler, K. Góral and P. S. Julienne, RMP, 78, 1311 (2006).

One 1S0 and one 3P0 atom with different nuclear spin

¹⁷³Yb atom: I=5/2



- total electronic spin is one: intuitive speaking, there is only one short-range interaction potential curves
- in fact, NO. There are two interaction potential curves

consideration I: exchange symmetry in s-wave scattering

two atoms in different electronic orbital and different nuclear spin states



 initial internal state for s-wave scattering of identical fermionic atoms

$$|+\rangle \equiv (|ge\rangle + |eg\rangle)(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) \\ |-\rangle \equiv (|ge\rangle - |eg\rangle)(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

 scattering processes with SU(N) symmetry (nuclear spin is not changed)

 $|+\rangle \rightarrow |+\rangle$ scattering length: $a_{eg}^{(+)}$

|angle
ightarrow |angle
ightarrow scattering length: $\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{eg}}^{(-)}$

• experiments: $a_{eg}^{(+)} \neq a_{eg}^{(-)}$ ¹⁷³Yb: $a_{eg}^{(-)}=3300a_0+i0.78a_0$; $a_{eg}^{(+)}=219.5a_0$ ⁸⁷Sr: $a_{eg}^{(-)}=169a_0$; $a_{eg}^{(+)}=68a_0$

There are two different potential curves for |+> and |->.

- G. Cappellini, M. Mancini, G. Pagano, P. Lombardi, L. Livi, M. S. de Cumis, P. Cancio, M. Pizzocaro, D. Calonico, F. Levi, C. Sias, J. Catani, M. Inguscio, L. Fallani, Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 120402 (2014) (Yb173).
- F. Scazza, C. Hofrichter, M. Höfer, P. C. De Groot, I. Bloch and S. Fölling, Nature Physics, 10, 779 (2014). (Yb173)
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consideration II: total parity of out-shell electrons

Schroedinger equation of four electrons

 $H_{e1e2e3e4}(\mathbf{R_1}, \mathbf{R_2})|\Psi\rangle_{e1e2e3e4} = V(\mathbf{R_1} - \mathbf{R_2})|\Psi\rangle_{e1e2e3e4}$



Total parity P of the spatial motion of all four electrons is conserved.

consideration II: total parity of out-shell electrons



Two different potential curves for $|\pm\rangle\propto(|ge\rangle\pm|eg\rangle)$

Spin-exchange interaction

ineraction potential

$$V(R) = V_{P=1}(R) |+\rangle \langle +| + V_{P=0}(R) |-\rangle \langle -|$$

= $V_{oo}(R) |o\rangle \langle o| + V_{cc}(R) |c\rangle \langle c| + V_{oc} |o\rangle \langle c| + V_{co} |c\rangle \langle o|$

$$V_{oo}(\mathbf{R}) = V_{cc}(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{1}{2} [V_{P=1}(\mathbf{R}) + V_{P=-1}(\mathbf{R})]$$
$$V_{oc}(\mathbf{R}) = V_{co}(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{1}{2} [V_{P=-1}(\mathbf{R}) - V_{P=1}(\mathbf{R})]$$

convenient basis



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Free Hamiltonian for two-atom relative motion

$$|e \downarrow\rangle \qquad \qquad \bullet |e \downarrow\rangle \\ \delta_{e} \qquad \qquad |e \uparrow\rangle \qquad \qquad \delta_{e} \qquad \qquad |e \uparrow\rangle \\ |e \uparrow\rangle \qquad \qquad |e \uparrow\rangle \qquad \qquad |e \downarrow\rangle \\ |g \uparrow\rangle \qquad \qquad |g \downarrow\rangle \qquad \qquad |g \downarrow\rangle \\ |g \uparrow\rangle \qquad \qquad |g \downarrow\rangle \qquad \qquad |g \downarrow\rangle \\ |o \rangle = |g \downarrow; e \uparrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|-\rangle - |+\rangle) \qquad \qquad |c \rangle = |g \uparrow; e \downarrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|+\rangle + |-\rangle)$$

Free Hamiltonian

$$H_0 = -\nabla^2 + \delta |c\rangle \langle c|$$

$$\delta = \delta_e - \delta_g = \Delta \mu B$$

- interaction $V(R) = V_{P=1}(R)|+\rangle\langle+|+V_{P=0}(R)|-\rangle\langle-|$
- free Hamiltonian $H_0 = -\nabla^2 + \delta |c\rangle \langle c|$

Orbital Feshbach resonance

Total two-atom Hamiltonian

Orbital Feshbach resonance: scattering length of channel |o> can be controlled by B

Incident channel: |o>

$$\delta = \delta_e - \delta_g$$

Free Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_0 = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{m} + \delta\right) |c\rangle \langle c| - \frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{m} |o\rangle \langle o|$$

$$\delta = \Delta \mu B \ \Delta \mu \sim (2\pi) 112 \text{Hz/Gauss}$$

Interaction (|+>, |-> basis)

$$\hat{\mathcal{V}} = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2}{m} \left[a_{\rm s}^+ |+\rangle \langle +| + a_{\rm s}^- |-\rangle \langle -| \right] \delta(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \cdot)$$

$$a_{\rm s}^- = 3300a_0 + i0.78a_0$$

 $a_{\rm s}^+ = 219.5a_0$
two-atom loss

Scattering length: F. Scazza, C. Hofrichter, M. Höfer, P. C. De Groot, I. Bloch and S. Fölling, Nature Physics, 10, 779 (2014). (Yb173)

 $\delta << E_{vdW}$ (~10⁶Hz): Huang-Yang potential is applicable.

Free Hamiltonian Yb173 atoms • F $-- |e\downarrow\rangle$ δ_e $|e\uparrow\rangle ----$ (• - 1 I $\underbrace{- }_{\delta_g} |g\downarrow\rangle$ $|g\uparrow
angle$.

Incident channel: |o>

$$\hat{H}_0 = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{m} + \delta\right) |c\rangle \langle c| - \frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{m} |o\rangle \langle o|$$

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$$\hat{\mathcal{V}} = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2}{m} a_{s0} \delta(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \cdot) \left[|o\rangle \langle o| + |c\rangle \langle c| \right] + \frac{4\pi\hbar^2}{m} a_{s1} \delta(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \cdot) \left[|o\rangle \langle c| + |c\rangle \langle o| \right]$$

$$a_{\rm s0,1} = (a_{\rm s}^- \pm a_{\rm s}^+)/2$$

Binding energy of bound-state in |c>: •

 $\hbar^2/(ma_{\rm s0}^2) \sim 10^4 {\rm Hz}$

Orbital Feshbach resonance: δ~10⁴Hz<<E_{vdW}

$Re[a_s]$ and two-body loss rate β of Yb173 atoms

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Zero-range V.S. finite-range

Yb173 atoms

Summary

- Orbital Feshbach resonance can occur between one 1S0 and one 3P0 alkali-earth (like) atoms with different nuclear spin.
 - > Two alkali atoms:

$$V = V_{S=1}(\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2)\hat{P}_{S=1} + V_{S=0}(\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2)\hat{P}_{S=0}$$

> Two alkali-earth (like) atoms:

 $V(\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2) = V_{P=1}(\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2) |+\rangle \langle +| + V_{P=-1}(\mathbf{R}_1 - \mathbf{R}_2) |-\rangle \langle -|$

In orbital FR, the electronic orbital degree of freedom plays the same role as the electronic spin in magnetic FR.

• May occur for Yb173 when B~60G.

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Mixture of Bose and Fermi Superfluids

Li6 (2-component) + Li7 (1-component)

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BEC region of Fermi Superfluid

How large is Boson-Fermion interaction energy?

Calculation I: simple mean-field (MF) theory

• interaction energy

$$V = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a_{\rm bf}}{m_{\rm bf}} \sum_{\sigma=1,2} \int d\mathbf{r} \hat{b}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{b}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{c}^{\dagger}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{c}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r})$$

field operators of field operators of bosonic atoms fermonic atoms (with internal state |σ>)

mean-field approximation

$$\sum_{\sigma} \langle \hat{b}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{b}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{c}_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{c}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \approx \sum_{\sigma} \langle \hat{b}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{b}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \langle \hat{c}_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{c}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle = \underline{n_{\rm b} n_{\rm f}}$$

Interaction energy density given by simple MF

$$E_{\rm MF} = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2 a_{\rm bf}}{m_{\rm bf}} n_{\rm b} n_{\rm f}$$

Calculation II: weakly-interacting Bose gas

 interaction energy density given by weakly-interacting Bose gas theory

$$E_{\rm IB} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a_{\rm ad}}{m_{\rm ad}} n_{\rm b} n_{\rm d}$$

 a_{ad} : atom-dimer scattering length

$$n_{\rm d} = 2n_{\rm f}$$

 m_{ad} : atom-dimer reduced mass

Comparison

• Interaction energy density given by simple MF

$$E_{\rm MF} = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2 a_{\rm bf}}{m_{\rm bf}} n_{\rm b} n_{\rm f}$$

 interaction energy density given by weakly-interacting Bose gas theory

$$E_{\rm IB} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a_{\rm ad}}{m_{\rm ad}} n_{\rm b} n_{\rm d} \quad n_{\rm d} = 2n_{\rm f}$$

• E_{MF}=E_{IB} only when (Li6/Li7 system)

$$a_{\rm ad} = \frac{2m_{\rm ad}}{m_{\rm bf}} a_{\rm bf} \approx 2.74 a_{\rm bf}$$

atom-dimer scattering length given by mean-field theory

• Error of simple mean-field approximation is determined by

$$a_{\rm ad} - 2.74 a_{\rm bf}$$

- We calculate the exact value of a_{ad}
 - the accurate boson-fermion interaction energy
 - the validity of the simple MF treatment

System

2-body interaction (Huang-Yang potential)

$$V_{ij} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a_{ij}}{m_{ij}}\delta(\mathbf{r}_{ij})\frac{\partial}{\partial r_{ij}}(r_{ij}\cdot)$$
$$a_{12} = a_{\rm s} \quad a_{23} = a_{31} = a_{\rm bf}$$

 $a_{bf} < 0$ or $a_{bf} >> I_{vdw}$: Xiaoling Cui, arXiv: 1406.1242

STM equation for our system

A: momentum cutoff, or the boundary condition for region where all 3 atoms are close. $|\Lambda| \in (\frac{2}{a_{bf}}, \frac{8}{a_{bf}})$ arg $\Lambda \in (0, 0.08)$ G.V. Skorniakov, K.A. Ter-Martirosian, Sov. Phys. JETP 4, 648 (1957) . P. Naidon, and M. Ueda, Comptes Rendus Physique, 12, 13 (2011).

a_{ad} for Li6/Li7

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 $a_{\rm bf}$

 $a_{\rm bf}$

Li7

simple MF: •

 $a_{\rm ad} \approx 2.74 a_{\rm bf}$

 a_{s}

 a_{ad} is almost Λ independent when

> $|\Lambda| \in \left(\frac{2}{a_{\rm bf}}, \frac{8}{a_{\rm bf}}\right)$ $\operatorname{arg}\Lambda \in (0, 0.08)$

Influence of mass ratio

Error of MF is large when Boson is heavy.

Frequency of effective potential for Bosons

• without fermions

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{m\omega_0^2}{2}r^2$$

• with fermions

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{m\omega_0^2}{2}r^2 + \frac{2\pi a_{\text{ad}}}{m_{\text{ad}}}n_{\text{d}}(\mathbf{r})$$
$$= \frac{m(\omega_0 + \delta\omega)^2}{2}r^2$$

Experimental observation

I. Ferrier-Barbut, M. Delehaye, S. Laurent, A. T. Grier, M. Pierce, B. S. Rem, F. Chevy, C. Salomon, arXiv: 1404.2548

Frequency shift: BEC region

Van der Waals physics

P. Naidon, S. Endo, and M. Ueda, Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 105301 (2014).

- \bullet Error of simple MF approximation rapidly increases with $a_{\rm bf}$ /a_{\rm s} .
- •Effects beyond simple MF can be experimentally observed.

Formal Expansion with a_{bf}

scattering length

$$a_{\rm ad} = 4\pi^2 m_{\rm ad} \langle \Psi_{\rm in} | (V_{23} + V_{31}) | \Psi + \rangle$$

scattering state

$$|\Psi+\rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \frac{i\varepsilon}{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_{12}a_s^2} + i\varepsilon - H} |\Psi_{\rm in}\rangle$$

Formal expansion with a_{bf} •

$$a_{\rm ad} = 4\pi^2 m_{\rm ad} \langle \Psi_{\rm in} | (V_{23} + V_{31}) | \Psi_{\rm in} \rangle + 4\pi^2 m_{\rm ad} \langle \Psi_{\rm in} | (V_{23} + V_{31}) G_3 (V_{23} + V_{31}) | \Psi_{\rm in} \rangle + \dots$$

G3: Green's function for free boson and interacting fermions

$$a_{\rm ad} \approx 4\pi^2 m_{\rm ad} \langle \Psi_{\rm in} | (V_{23} + V_{31}) | \Psi_{\rm in} \rangle$$
$$= \frac{2m_{\rm ad}}{m_{\rm bf}} a_{\rm bf} \approx 2.74 a_{\rm bf}$$

a_{ad} from Born approximation is nothing but the one from simple MF

Beyond simple MF: high-order processes should be included

Orbital Feshbach resonance: $\delta \sim 10^4$ Hz << E_{vdW}