# **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  $m<sub>1</sub>$ : SU(N=6) symmetry ( <sup>87</sup>Sr : N=10, <sup>171</sup>Yb: N=2)
- precision of  $SU(N)$ : 10<sup>-9</sup> for atoms in 1S0 and 10<sup>-3</sup> for atoms in 3P0

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# **Quantum degenerate gases of alkali-earth (like) atoms**

2003: <sup>174</sup>Yb

2006: <sup>170</sup>Yb, <sup>176</sup>Yb, <sup>173</sup>Yb

2009: <sup>84</sup>Sr

#### 2010: <sup>86</sup>Sr, <sup>88</sup>Sr, <sup>87</sup>Sr, <sup>171</sup>Yb-<sup>173</sup>Yb mixture

- Yoshiro Takahashi's ppt,
- 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**

 $\rm^{3}P_{0}$ 

 $1S<sub>0</sub>$ 

two atoms in different electronic orbital and different nuclear spin states

 $m_1$  -5/2 -3/2

two atoms in different electronic orbital and same nuclear spin states

 $\rm^{3}P_{0}$ 

 $1S<sub>0</sub>$ 

two atoms in same electronic orbital and different nuclear spin states

 $m_1$  -5/2 -3/2

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

 $1S<sub>0</sub>$ 

 $\rm^{3}P_{0}$ 

so far no good approach

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### **Our result**

two atoms in different electronic orbital and different nuclear spin states





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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**

173 $Yb$  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)

scattering length: **aeg (+)**

scattering length: **aeg (-)**

• experiments: **aeg (+) ≠ aeg (-)** <sup>173</sup>Yb: a<sub>eg</sub><sup>(-)</sup>=3300a<sub>0</sub>+i0.78a<sub>0</sub>; a<sub>eg</sub><sup>(+)</sup>=219.5a<sub>0</sub>  $^{87}$ Sr: a $_{\rm eg}$ <sup>(-)</sup>=169a $_0$ ; a $_{\rm eg}$ (<sup>+)</sup>=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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• interaction  $V(R) = V_{P=1}(R)|+\rangle\langle+| + V_{P=0}(R)|-\rangle\langle-|$ 

#### **Zeeman effect**



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#### **Free Hamiltonian for two-atom relative motion**

$$
|e \downarrow\rangle
$$
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$$
\delta_e
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$$
|e \uparrow\rangle
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\delta_e
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**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 Hamitltonian  $H_0 = -\nabla^2 + \delta |c\rangle\langle c|$

### **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)**

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

$$
a_s^- = 3300a_0 + i0.78a_0
$$
  

$$
a_s^+ = 219.5a_0
$$
  
**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)

δ<<EvdW (~10<sup>6</sup>Hz): Huang-Yang potential is applicable.

**Yb173 atoms** • **Free Hamiltonian**  $\overline{I}$  $\begin{array}{c} \hspace{2.1cm} \textbf{--}\hspace{1.2cm} |e\downarrow\rangle \\ \hspace{2.0cm} \delta_e \\ \mid e\uparrow\rangle \hspace{2.2cm} \textbf{--}\hspace{2.2cm} \textbf{--} \end{array}$  $\mathbf T$  $\frac{1}{\delta_{g}} |g \downarrow\rangle$  $|g \uparrow \rangle$  .

Incident channel: |o>

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

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

• **Interaction (|c>, |o> basis)**

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

$$
+ \frac{4\pi\hbar^2}{m} a_{s1} \delta(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \cdot) [|\rho\rangle\langle c| + |c\rangle\langle\rho|]
$$

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

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

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



Orbital Feshbach resonance: δ~10<sup>4</sup>Hz<<E<sub>vdW</sub>

### **Re[a<sup>s</sup> ] and two-body loss rate β of Yb173 atoms**



### **Re[a<sup>s</sup> ] and two-body loss rate β of Yb173 atoms**



### **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)



I. Ferrier-Barbut, M. Delehaye, S. Laurent, A. T. Grier, M. Pierce, B. S. Rem, F. Chevy, C. Salomon, Science, **345**, 1035 (2014).

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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

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

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

• mean-field approximation

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

• Interaction energy density given by simple MF

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

### **Calculation II: weakly-interacting Bose gas**

• interaction energy density given by weakly-interacting Bose gas theory

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

 $a_{\rm ad}$  : atom-dimer scattering length

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

 $m_{\rm ad}$ : atom-dimer reduced mass



# **Comparison**

• Interaction energy density given by simple MF

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

• interaction energy density given by weakly-interacting Bose gas theory

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

•  $E_{MF}=E_{IR}$  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

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

- 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)

$$
V_{ij} = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a_{ij}}{m_{ij}} \delta(\mathbf{r}_{ij}) \frac{\partial}{\partial r_{ij}} (r_{ij} \cdot)
$$
  

$$
a_{12} = a_{s} \quad a_{23} = a_{31} = a_{bf}
$$

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

### **STM equation for our system**

$$
\frac{\frac{M+2}{M}a_{ad}(K)}{\frac{1}{a_s} + \sqrt{\frac{M+2}{4M}K^2 + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon}} + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int \frac{K'dK'}{K} \log \left[ \frac{\frac{M+1}{2M}K^2 + K'^2 + KK' + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon}{\frac{M+1}{2M}K^2 + K'^2 - KK' + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon} \right] \zeta(K') = 0
$$
\n
$$
\left[ \frac{1}{a_{bf}} - \frac{\sqrt{2M(M+1)}}{M+1} \sqrt{\frac{M+2}{2(M+1)}} K^2 + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon \right] \zeta(K)
$$
\n
$$
- \frac{2(M+1)}{M} \int \frac{K'dK'}{K(K'^2 - \frac{4M}{M+2}i\varepsilon)} \log \left[ \frac{K^2 + \frac{M+1}{2M}K'^2 + KK' + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon}{K^2 + \frac{M+1}{2M}K'^2 - KK' + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon} \right] a_{ad}(K')
$$
\n
$$
+ \frac{M+1}{2\pi} \int \frac{K'dK'}{K} \log \left[ \frac{\frac{M+1}{2M}(K^2 + K'^2) + \frac{1}{M}KK' + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon}{\frac{M+1}{2M}(K^2 + K'^2) - \frac{1}{M}KK' + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon} \right] \zeta(K')
$$
\n
$$
= \frac{2\pi(M+1)}{M} \left[ \frac{i\varepsilon}{(K^2 + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon)(K^2 + 1/a_s^2)} - \frac{1}{K^2 + 1/a_s^2 - i\varepsilon} \right] \qquad \qquad \varepsilon \to 0^+
$$
\n
$$
M = m_b/m_f
$$

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

# **a**<sub>ad</sub> for Li6/Li7



# **a**<sub>ad</sub> for Li6/Li7

 $a_{\rm bf}$ 

 $a_{\rm bf}$ 

simple MF:

Li7

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

 $a_{s}$ 

 $a_{\text{ad}}$  is almost  $\Lambda$ independent when

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



### **Influence of mass ratio**



Error of MF is large when Boson is heavy.

### **Frequency of effective potential for Bosons**

• without fermions **•** with fermions



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



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

$$
= \frac{m(\omega_0 + \delta\omega)^2}{2}r^2
$$

### **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).



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





# **Formal Expansion with a**<sup>bt</sup>



#### • scattering length

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

#### 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  $a<sub>bf</sub>$ 

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

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: δ~10<sup>4</sup>Hz<<E<sub>vdW</sub>