# ボース・アインシュタイン凝縮の最近の進展と今後の展望

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# BEC Physicists Win the 2001 Nobel Prize!



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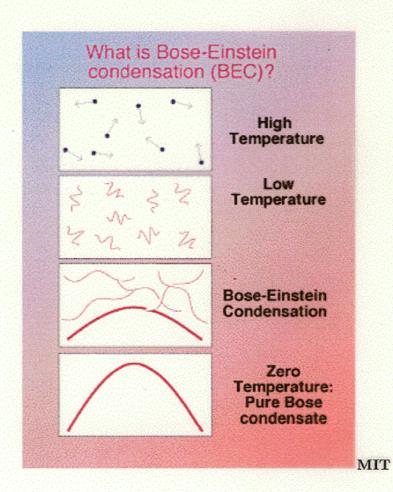


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#### Bose-Einstein condensation (BEC)

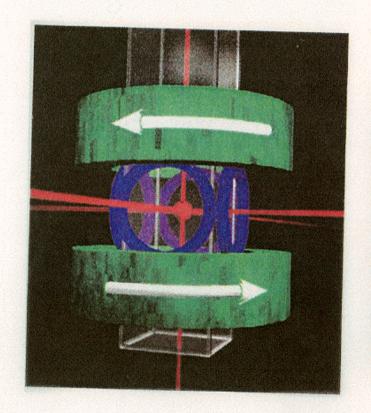
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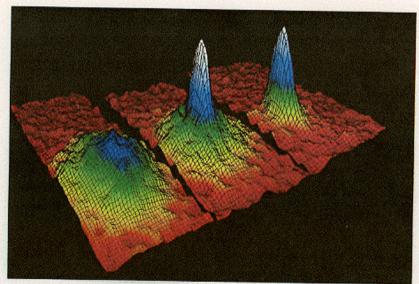
thermal de Broglie length  $\simeq$  interatomic distance  $\lambda_{\mathrm{dB}} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2\pi M k_B T}}$ 



## **BEC** at JILA

Science **269**, 198 (1995)





#### BEC of atomic gases

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1995 87Rb — JILA (Science 269, 198)

7Li — Rice (PRL 75, 1687; 78, 985)

23Na — MIT (PRL 75, 3969)

1998 <sup>1</sup>H — MIT (PRL 81, 3811)

2001 <sup>85</sup>Rb — JILA (PRL 85, 1795)

<sup>4</sup>He* — France (Science 292, 461)

41K — Firenze (Science 294, 1320)
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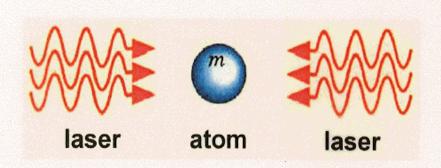
Laser cooling ( $\sim$  100  $\mu$ K)  $\Downarrow$ 

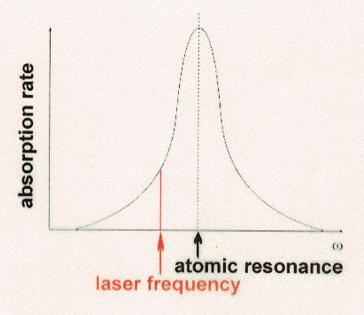
Evaporative cooling ( $\sim 1~\mu \text{K}$ )



BEC

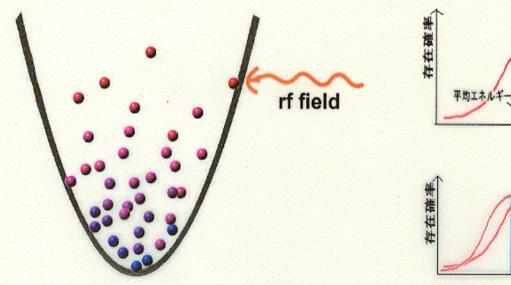
# Principle of Laser Cooling

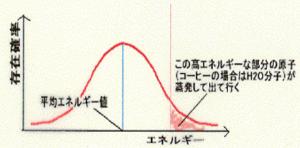


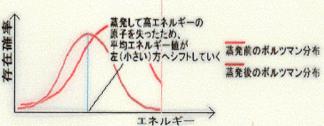




## Principle of Evaporative Cooling







#### BEC of atomic gases

**原子種:** 87Rb, <sup>23</sup>Na, <sup>7</sup>Li, <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>85</sup>Rb, <sup>4</sup>He, <sup>41</sup>K

トラップ: 磁気トラップ, 光トラップ

温度:

 $\mu \mathrm{K} \sim \mathrm{n} \mathrm{K}$ 

原子数:  $\lesssim 10^7$ 

原子数密度:  $n \sim 10^{14}/\text{cm}^3$ 

S 波散乱長:  $|a| \sim 1 \text{ nm}$ 

 $na^3 \sim 10^{-6}$ 

	液体ヘリウム	レーザー冷却 されたBEC
相	液体→非圧縮性	気体→圧縮性→外部摂 動に対する感受率大
BEC	観測は容易でない	容易
超流動性	観測は容易	観測でぬている
制御性	乏しい	極めて高い すべてのパラメターが制御可能 非平衡状態の研究に適している
測定法	中性子散乱	光学的手法(目で見える)
環境(容器、 等)のミクロな モデル化	現時点では不可能 (固体表面(容器)の理解が必要)	可能 (但し、まだ理解されていない) →巨視的量子コヒーレンス
運動学 衝突時間 $ au_{col}$ 集団モードの時 間スケール $ au^{-1}$	τ <sub>col</sub> ~ 10 <sup>-12</sup> s << ω <sup>-1</sup> ↓ ・局所熱平衡状態 ・保存則(エネルギー、連 続の式、等)で理解可能	$ au_{ m col}\sim 10^{-3}{ m s}\gtrsim \omega^{-1}$ $ o$
内部自由度	( <sup>3</sup> He <b>の場</b> 合)核スピン	(主に)電子スピン ↓ 磁性とBEC

#### Theory of BEC

#### Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \int d\mathbf{r} \hat{\psi}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \left( -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m} \nabla^{2} + V_{\text{trap}}(\mathbf{r}) \right) \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}) + \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \hat{\psi}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\psi}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}') U(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}') \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r})$$

interaction

$$U(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') = \frac{4\pi\hbar^2 a}{m} \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$
  $a: s-wave scattering length$ 

trap potential

$$V_{\rm trap}({f r}) = {m\over 2} [\omega_{\perp}^2 (x^2 + y^2) + \omega_z^2 z^2]$$

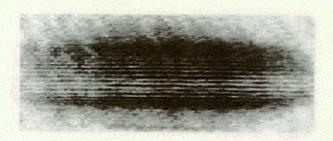
#### Gross-Pitaevskii equation (mean-field approx.)

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t}\;=\;\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2+V_{\rm trap}({\bf r})\right]\psi+\frac{4\pi\hbar^2a}{m}|\psi|^2\psi$$

#### **BEC** experiments

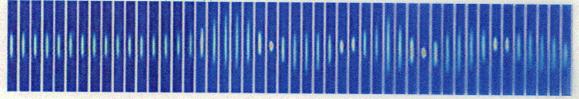
• Interference between two BECs

MIT (Science 275, 637 (1997))



• Collective excitation

MIT (PRL 81, 500 (1998))



• Atom laser

MIT (PRL **78**, 582 (1997)) Max Planck (PRL **82**, 3008 (1999))

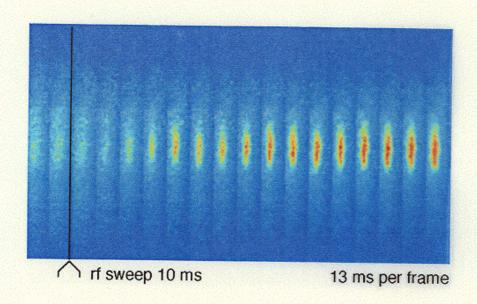


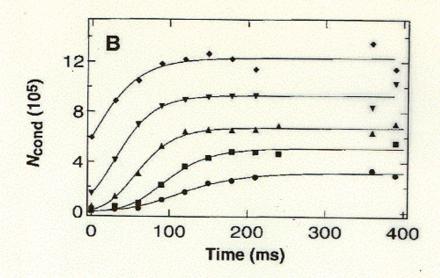


#### Bosonic Stimulation in the Formation of a Bose-Einstein Condensate

H.-J. Miesner, D. M. Stamper-Kum, M. R. Andrews, D. S. Durfee, S. Inouye, W. Ketterle

Science 279 1005 (1998)





$$\dot{N}_{o} = Y N_{o} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{N_{o}}{N_{o,eq}} \right)^{5/2} \right]$$

C. Gardiner et al. PRL 79 1793 (1997)
PRL 81 5266 (1998)

#### letters to nature

#### Measurement of the spatial coherence of a trapped Bose gas at the phase transition

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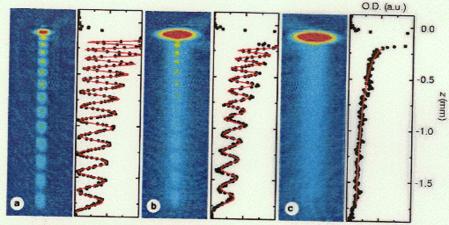
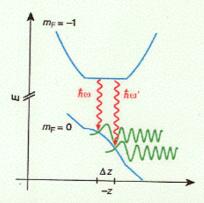
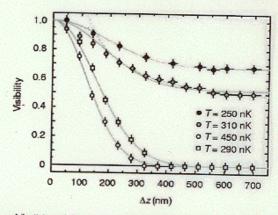


Figure 1 Interference pattern of matter-wave beams emitted from two spatially separated regions of a trapped Bose gas.  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{c}$ , The absorption images show the spatial distribution of the output beams for three different temperatures in false colours. For a temperature well below the critical temperature  $T_c$  the spatially uniform phase of the condensate results in a high-contrast interference pattern ( $\mathbf{a}$ ). When the temperature is increased to just below  $T_c$  the contrast of the interference pattern is reduced ( $\mathbf{b}$ ), and it vanishes

completely for temperatures above  $T_{\rm c}$  (c). Each of the images has a size of 0.6 mm x.2 mm. The frequency difference between the two components of the radio-wave field was 1,000 Hz, which corresponds to a slit separation of 465 nm. The plots next to the images show 21- $\mu$ m-wide vertical cuts through the centres of the absorption images. The horizontal axes of the plots show the optical densities. We obtain the visibilities V by using equation (1) to fit the data.



**Figure 2** Measurement of the spatial coherence of a trapped Bose–Einstein condensate. A radio-wave field with two frequency components (red lines) transfers magnetically trapped atoms ( $m_{\tilde{r}}=-1$ ) into untrapped states ( $m_{\tilde{r}}=0$ ). Two matter wave beams (green lines) are emitted from spatially separated locations in the trap, thereby effectively forming a double slit. The beams are accelerated by gravity and overlap outside the trap so that an interference pattern can be observed. A high contrast is detected if the trapped gas is spatially coherent over both slit regions. The harmonic potential for the trapped state and the linear potential for the untrapped state are modified by the mean field of the condensate (blue lines).



**Figure 4** Spatial correlation function of a trapped Bose gas. The fringe visibility is measured as a function of slit separation for temperatures above and below the critical temperature  $\mathcal{I}_c$ . The white circles and white squares show the measurements for thermal gases at temperatures of 450 nK and 290 nK, respectively. (To prepare a thermal gas at a temperature of 290 nK we reduced the number of atoms in the trap to  $10^6$ ). The grey data points (310 nK) and the black data points (250 nK) are the results obtained for temperatures below  $\mathcal{I}_c$ , where the visibility decays to a nonzero value due to the longrange phase coherence of the condensate fraction. The decay of the visibility shows a longer tail than would be expected for the corresponding de Broglie wavelength of the thermal fraction. Both data sets are fitted with a gaussian function and an offset: For the temperature of 310 nK the last 11 data points are also fitted with a function proportional to

#### **BEC** in the Microtrap

**MPQ Magnetic Microtrap Project** 

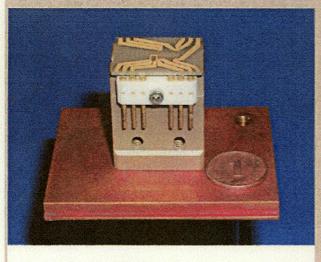
On 12 June 2001,
a Bose-Einstein condensate of <sup>87</sup>Rb atoms
was born in a microtrap.

(Atoms are trapped in the |F=2,m<sub>E</sub>=2>-state)



absorption images after 20 ms of free expansion

(the small cloud to the right of the main condensate stems from atoms that undergo a spin-flip to the  $m_E=1$  state when the magnetic field is shut off)



# 1.5 mm wires for further use quadrupole-wire for miniaturized MOT

#### The Way to Bose-Einstein Condensation in a Magnetic Microtrap

Transfer 3 x 10°
atoms into the
magnetic trap:
2A in the Ioffe-wire
(red) + homogeneous
field of 8 G.

Compress the Microtrap magnetic trap

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### Bose-Einstein condensation on a microelectronic chip

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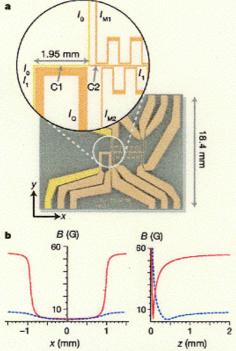


Figure 1 The chip and the magnetic potentials that it creates. **a**, Layout of the lithographic gold wires on the substrate. The inset shows the relevant part of the conductor pattern.  $I_0$ ,  $I_1$ ,  $I_{11}$ ,  $I_{12}$ , and  $I_{13}$  are create the various magnetic potentials for trapping (see **b**) and transport, as described in the main text,  $I_0$  is used only during trap loading (intermediate MOT step<sup>5</sup>). **b**, Potentials created by a wire current  $I_0 = 2$  A for two different values of the external bias field,  $(B_x = 0, B_y = 8$  G) (dashed lines) and  $(B_x = 1.9$  G,  $B_y = 55$  G) (solid lines).

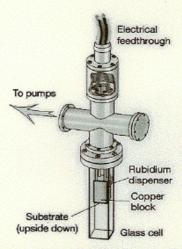


Figure 2 Vacuum system. Because of the efficient evaporation in the chip trap, this very simple set-up is sufficient to achieve Bose—Einstein condensation (BEC). The substrate is mounted facing downwards, so that the atom cloud may be released to expand in free fall (time-of-flight analysis).

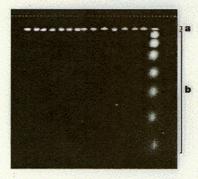
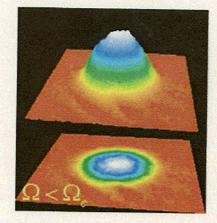
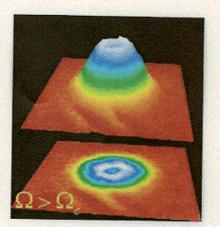
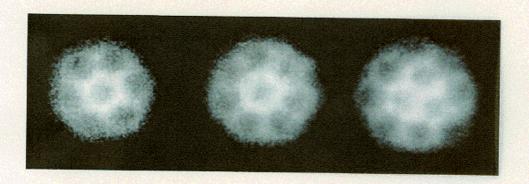


Figure 5 Transport of a BEC on the 'magnetic conveyor belt'. a, Superposed absorption images taken at fixed time intervals during transport. The distance between the first and last image is 1.6 mm, the transport time is 100 ms. The line of sight is parallel to the yaxis (see Fig. 1); the dotted line marks the edge of the substrate. b, Time-of-flight images of the atom cloud after release at the final position, exhibiting the bimodal structure characteristic of a BEC. The maximum expansion time (bottom image) is 19.3 ms.

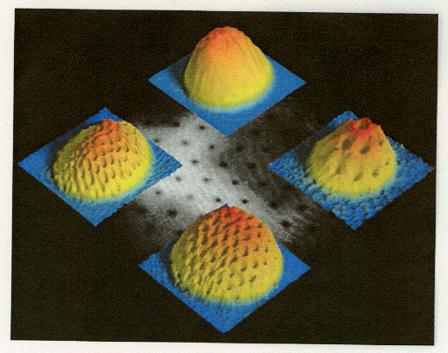
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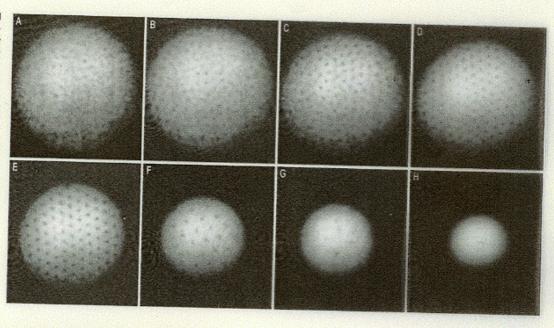


# Observation of Vortex Lattices in Bose-Einstein Condensates

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g. 4. Formation and cay of a vortex late. The condensate is rotated for 400 ms of then equilibrated the stationary magnic trap for various ld times. (A) 25 ms, 100 ms, (C) 200 ms, 1500 ms, (E) 1 s, (F) s, (G) 10 s, and (H) s. The decreasing of the cloud in (E) (H) reflects a dease in atom number to inelastic collins. The field of view 1 mm by 1.15 mm.



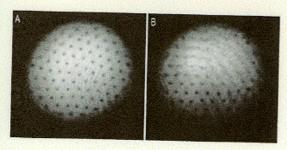


Fig. 5. Vortex lattices with defects. In (A), the lattice has a dislocation near the center of the condensate. In (B), there is a defect reminiscent of a grain boundary.

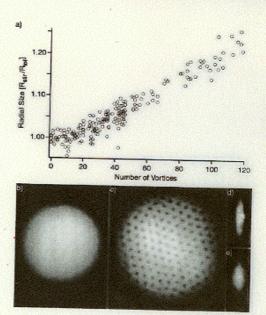


FIG. 4. Centrifugal effects on a rotating condensate. Shown is the observed radial size of the condensate versus vortex number. The condensate size was determined from a parabolic fit to the time-of-flight distribution after 41.5 ms. (b,c) Comparison of a non-rotating condensate ( $R_{\rm tof}=570~\mu{\rm m}$ ) and one with 160 vortices. Radial in-situ phase contrast imaging of a condensate at rest (d) and in rotation at a frequency of 75 Hz (e), showing the modified aspect ratio. The length of the condensate in (d) was 200  $\mu{\rm m}$ .

C. Raman stal. cond-mat/0106235

## Observation of Fermi Pressure in a Gas of Trapped Atoms

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Guthrie B. Partridge, Randall G. Hulet?

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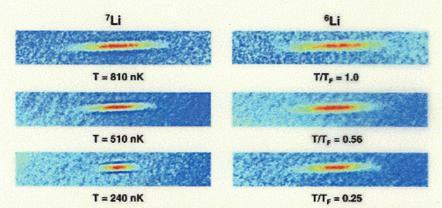


Fig. 1. Two-dimensional false-color images of both  $^7\text{Li}$  and  $^6\text{Li}$  clouds. At  $^7\text{Lf}_\text{F}=1.0$ , the two clouds are approximately the same size, but as the atoms are cooled further, to  $^7\text{Lf}_\text{F}=0.56$ , the Bose gas contracts, whereas the Fermi gas exhibits only subtle changes in size. At  $^7\text{Lf}_\text{F}=0.25$ , the size difference between the two gases is clearly discernable. At this temperature the  $^7\text{Li}$  image displays distortions due to high optical density. However, these distortions are present only in the radial direction and do not affect the measurements. The fitted numbers of  $^7\text{Li}$  and  $^6\text{Li}$  atoms,  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  atoms,  $^8\text{Li}$  and the fitted temperatures are as follows: For the upper set,  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^6\text{Li}$  atoms,  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^7\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and in the fitted temperatures are as follows: For the upper set,  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and for the lower set,  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and for the lower set,  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  at  $^8\text{Li}$  and  $^8\text{Li}$  and

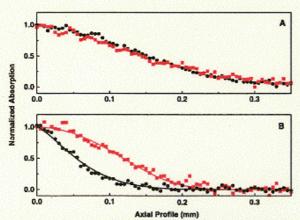
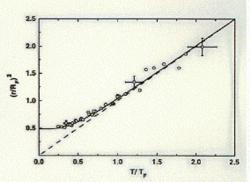


Fig. 2. Comparison of  $^6$ Li and  $^7$ Li atom cloud axial profiles. The red squares correspond to  $^6$ Li, and the black circles to  $^7$ Li. (A) Data from the top image of Fig. 1, corresponding to  $^7$ Li.  $^7$ Li. and  $^7$ Li.  $^7$ Li. (B) Data from the lower image of Fig. 1, corresponding to  $^7$ Li.  $^7$ Li.  $^7$ Li.  $^7$ Li. The fits to the data are shown as solid lines.

Fig. 3. Square of the 1/e axial radius, r, of the \*\text{square} i douds versus \$7T\_p\$. The radius is normalized by the Fermi radius,  $R_T = (2k_BT_p/m\omega_a)^{1/2}$ , where m is the atomic mass of \*\text{ii}\$. The solid line is the prediction for an ideal fermi gas, whereas the dashed line is calculated assuming classical statistics. The data are shown as open circles. The divergence of the data from the classical prediction is the result of Fermi pressure. Several representative error bars are shown. These result from the uncertainty of the state of the square of the data from the classical prediction is the result of Fermi pressure. Several representative error bars are shown.



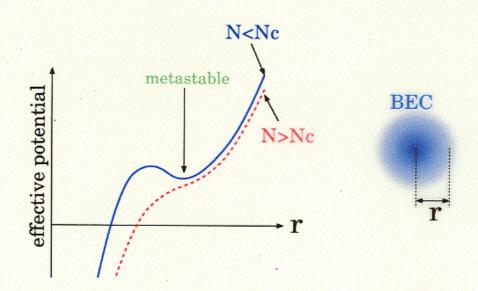
These result from the uncertainties in number and temperature as described in the legend to Fig. 1. In addition, we estimate an uncertainty of 3% in the determination of r.

#### BEC with attractive interactions

<sup>7</sup>Li, <sup>85</sup>Rb —— attractive interaction

Attractive BEC can be metastable.

Kinetic energy  $\propto r^{-2}$ Potential energy  $\propto r^2$ Interaction energy  $\propto -r^{-3}$ 



$$\frac{N|a|}{a_{\mathrm{ho}}} < 0.57 \quad \text{(theory)}$$
 
$$\lesssim 0.46 \quad \text{(experiment)}$$
 J. L. Roberts  $et~al.$ , PRL 86, 4211 (2001)

#### letters to nature

# Direct observation of growth and collapse of a Bose-Einstein condensate with attractive interactions

Jordan M. Gerton\*, Dmitry Strekalov\*†, Ionut Prodan\* & Randall G. Hulet\* Nature 408 692 (2000)

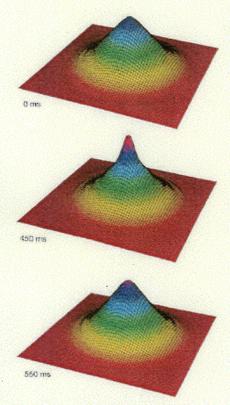
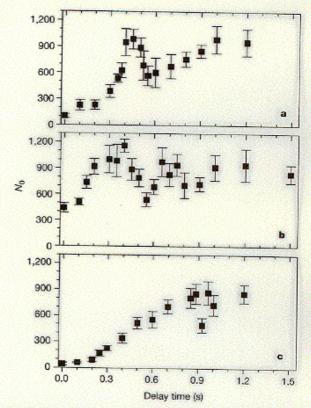


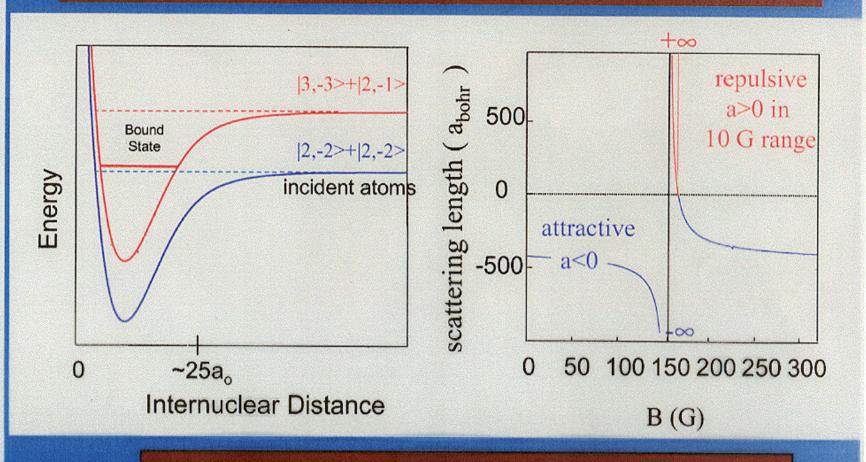
Figure 4 Phase-contrast images. These images were selected from those used to construct Fig. 3a. The upper image corresponds to data immediately after the dump pulse (0 ms), the middle image to the peak of condensate growth (450 ms), and the lower image to the first collapse (550 ms). The fitted values of M<sub>b</sub> are 40, 1,210 and 230 atoms for the upper, middle and lower images, respectively. The displayed images result from angle-averaging the actual images about the probe laser propagation axis and the signal height is proportional to the column density of the atom cloud integrated along this direction. The image area corresponds to a square of sides 85 μm. A movie of the growth and collapse was produced using representative time-ordered images from the data of Fig. 3a, and is available for viewing at http://atomcoot.rice.edu/collapse.html.



**Figure 3** Condensate growth and collapse dynamics. Each data point is the mean of five measurements for the same delay time following the light pulse, and the error bars are the standard deviation of the mean. **a**,  $N_0$  is reduced to  $\sim 100$  atoms using the two-photon light pulse. The reduction in  $N_0$  after the first peak at 450 ms is a direct manifestation of collapse. **b**, The condensate is only partially dumped in order to speed up the initial growth. Subsequent maxima and minima are observed as the gas continues to undergo growth and collapse cycles while evolving towards thermal equilibrium. **c**, The light pulse duration is increased, so that the condensate is dumped completely, to within the experimental resolution. We note the slow turn-on of growth and the subsequent saturation in the growth rate (see text). For **a** and **c**, there is a 3-s delay following the microwave quench pulse before the light pulse; whereas in **b**, the delay is 5 s. Additionally, for **a** and **c**,  $N = (7 \pm 1) \times 10^4$  atoms and  $T = (170 \pm 15)$  nK immediately before the light pulse, while for **b**,  $N = (1.0 \pm 0.1) \times 10^5$  atoms and  $T = (200 \pm 20)$  nK. For each individual image, the statistical uncertainty in  $N_0$  is  $\pm 60$  atoms, while the systematic uncertainty, dominated by uncertainties in the imaging system, is  $\pm 20\%$  and  $\pm 20\%$  is  $\pm 20\%$ .

#### Feshbach Resonance in Ultracold Atom Collisions

Can adjust a!



Since a can be adjusted, the condensate mean-field energy can be tuned to any desired value.

#### Stable <sup>85</sup>Rb Bose-Einstein Condensates with Widely Tunable Interactions

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Bose-Einstein condensation has been achieved in a magnetically trapped sample of <sup>85</sup>Rb atoms. Long-lived condensates of up to 10<sup>4</sup> atoms have been produced by using a magnetic-field-induced Feshbach resonance to reverse the sign of the scattering length. This system provides new opportunities for the study of condensate physics. The variation of the scattering length near the resonance has been used to magnetically tune the condensate self-interaction energy over a wide range, extending from strong repulsive to large attractive interactions. When the interactions were switched from repulsive to attractive, the condensate shrank to below our resolution limit, and after ~5 ms emitted a burst of high-energy atoms.

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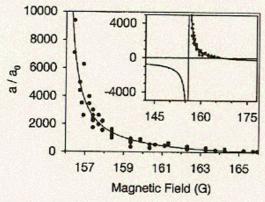


FIG. 1. Scattering length in units of the Bohr radius  $(a_0)$  as a function of the magnetic field. The data are derived from the condensate widths. The solid line illustrates the expected shape of the Feshbach resonance using a peak position and resonance width consistent with our previous measurements [4,18]. For reference, the shape of the full resonance has been included in the inset.

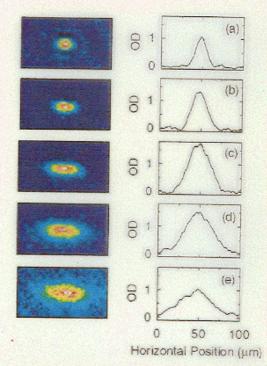
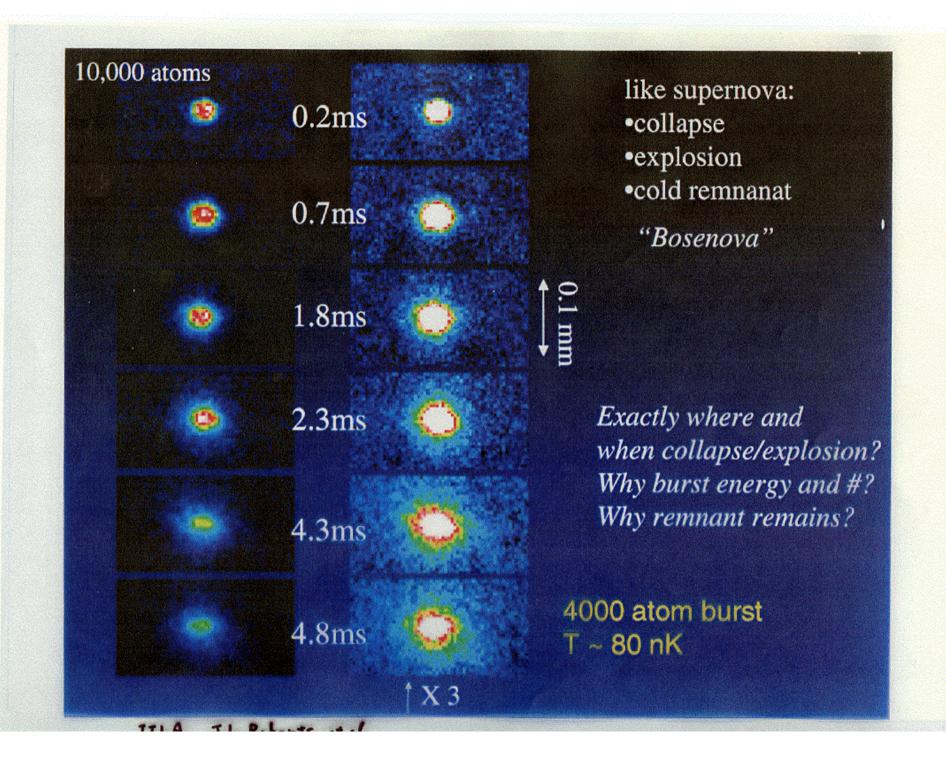


FIG. 3 (color). False color images and horizontal cross sections of the condensate column density for various magnetic fields. The condensate number was varied to maintain an optical depth (OD) of  $\sim$ 1.5. The magnetic field values are (a) B=165.2 G, (b) B=162.3 G, (c) B=158.4 G, (d) B=157.2 G, and (e) B=156.4 G.

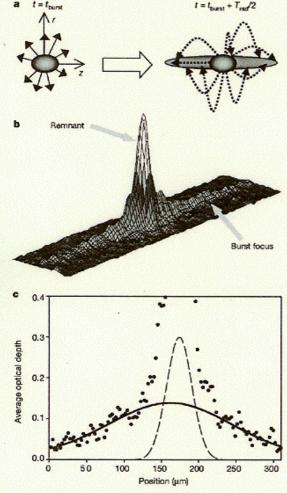


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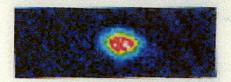
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**Figure 3** A burst focus. **a**, Conceptual illustration of a radial burst focus.  $\xi_{\rm mist}$  is the time at which the burst is generated and  $T_{\rm rad}$  is the radial trap period. **b**, An image of a radial burst focus taken 33.5 ms after a jump from  $a_{\rm nit}=0$  to  $-30a_0$  for  $N_0=10,000$ .  $T_{\rm rad}/2=28.6$  ms, which indicates that the burst occurred 4.9(5) ms after the jump. The axial energy distribution for this burst corresponded to an effective temperature of 62 nK. The image is  $60\times310~\mu{\rm m}$ , **c**, Radially averaged cross-section of **b** with a gaussian fit to the burst energy distribution. The central  $100~\mu{\rm m}$  were excluded from the fit to avoid distortion in the fit due to the condensate remnant ( $\sigma=9~\mu{\rm m}$ ) and the thermal cloud ( $\sigma=17~\mu{\rm m}$ ). The latter is present in the pre-collapse sample due to the finite temperature, and appears to be unaffected by the collapse. The dashed line indicates the fit to this initial thermal component. We note the offset between the centres of the burst and the remnant. This offset varies from shot to shot by an amount comparable to the offset shown.

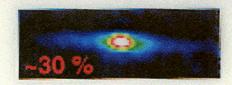
#### Pre-Collapse Condensate



#### Post-Collapse Remnant



#### Burst of "Hot" Atoms





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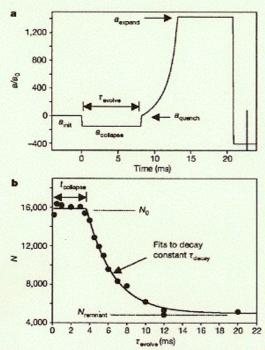
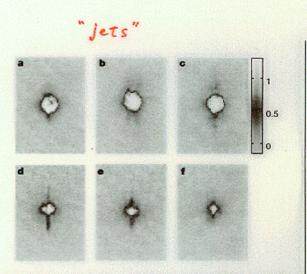


Figure 1 An example of a ramp applied to the scattering length a, and a plot of the condensate number Wversus time after a jump to a negative scattering length. a, A typical a(t) sequence.  $a_0 = 0.529$  Å is the Bohr radius. The scattering length is jumped at t=0 in 0.1 ms from  $a_{
m min}$  to  $a_{
m collapse}$ , where the BEC evolves for a time  $au_{
m evolve}$ . The field is carefully controlled so that magnetic-field noise translates into fluctuations in  $a_{\rm collapse}$  on the order of  $\sim 0.1 a_0$  in magnitude. The collapse is then interrupted with a jump to  $a_{\rm number}$ and the field is ramped in 5 ms to a large positive scattering length which makes the BEC expand. After 7.5 ms of additional expansion, the trap is turned off in 0.1 ms, and 1.8 ms later the density distribution is probed using destructive absorption imaging with a 40-µs laser pulse (indicated by the vertical bar). The increase in a from  $a_{\rm collapse}$  to  $a_{\rm copand}$  is far too rapid to allow for the BEC to expand adiabatically. On the contrary, the smaller the BEC before expansion, the larger the cloud at the moment of imaging. Thus we can readily infer the relative size of the bulk of the BEC just before the jump to  $a_{\rm quench}$ . The density of the expanded BEC is so low that the rapid transit of the Feshbach resonance pole25 during the trap turn-off and the subsequent time spent at magnetic field B=0 ( $a=-400a_0$ ) both have a negligible effect. **b**, The number of atoms remaining in the BEC versus  $au_{\mathrm{negle}}$ at  $a_{\text{colapse}} = -30a_0$ . We observed a delayed and abrupt onset of loss. The solid line is a fit to an exponential with a best-fit value of  $t_{\rm cohere} \approx 3.7(5)$  ms for the delay.



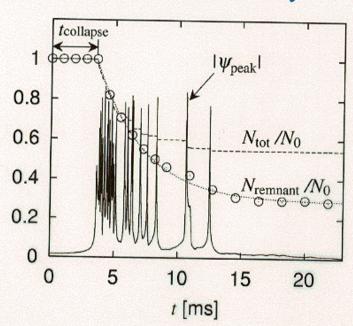
**Figure 5** Jet images for a series of  $au_{
m oute}$  values for the conditions of Fig. 1b. The evolution times were 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 10 ms (from a to f). Each image is  $150 \times 255 \,\mu{\rm m}$ . The bar indicates the optical depth scale. An expansion to  $a_{
m oute} = +250 \, a_0$  was applied, so the jets are longer than for the quantitative measurements explained in the text. The jets were longest (that is, most energetic) and contained the most atoms at values of  $au_{
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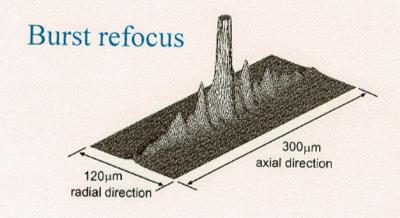
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# Results of our simulations

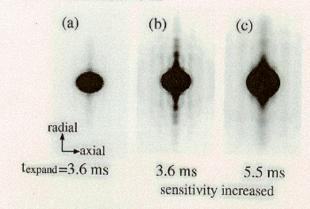
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#### Condensate decay





#### Jet formation



## 今後の展望

- 原子間相互作用の変化
   希薄BEC → 液体He → ?
   引力BECの性質
- 量子情報への応用 entangled 状態の生成
- 超精密測定への応用

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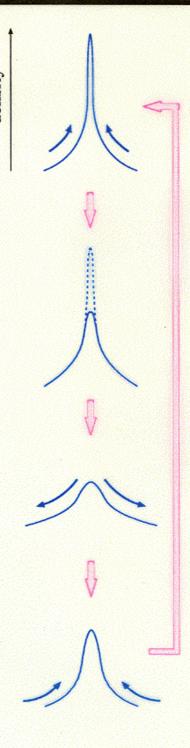
# Physical interpretation of intermittent implosion

The atoms rapidly accumulate at the center of the trap due to the attractive interaction.

When the central density becomes large, the threebody recombination loss dominates.

The loss of atoms decreases the centripetal force, and the atoms are ejected outwards due to the uncertainty principle.

The inward flow of the atoms again replenishes the central density.



# The Gross-Pitaevskii equation with losses

The mean-field approximation is applicable.

Gross-Pitaevskii equation with losses

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V_{\text{trap}}(\mathbf{r}) \right] \psi + \frac{4\pi\hbar^2 a}{m} |\psi|^2 \psi + \frac{i\hbar}{2} \left( \frac{K_2}{2} |\psi|^2 + \frac{K_3}{6} |\psi|^4 \right) \psi$$

 $K_2, K_3$  — loss-rate coefficients of two- and three-body inelastic collisions

#### Shell Formation of Collapsing <sup>85</sup>Rb **BEC**

$$N_0 = 5 \times 10^4$$
  
 $a_{\text{init}} = 20 \text{ nm} \Longrightarrow a_{\text{collapse}} = -20 \text{ nm}$ 

 $10\mu m$ 







$$t = 6.6$$

$$t = 7.3$$



$$t = 7.9$$



$$t = 7.9$$
  $t = 8.5$ 



$$t = 8.8$$
  $t = 9.1$ 



$$t = 9.1$$



$$t = 9.3$$

$$t = 9.6$$



$$t = 9.9$$

$$t = 9.3$$
  $t = 9.6$   $t = 9.9$   $t = 10.2$  [ms]

# Pattern formation in axisymmetric traps

pancake

$$\omega_z/\omega_\perp = \sqrt{8}$$

cigar-shape

$$\omega_z/\omega_\perp=0.3$$

from z axis

from x axis