

Ferrofluidity in dipolar Bose-Einstein condensates

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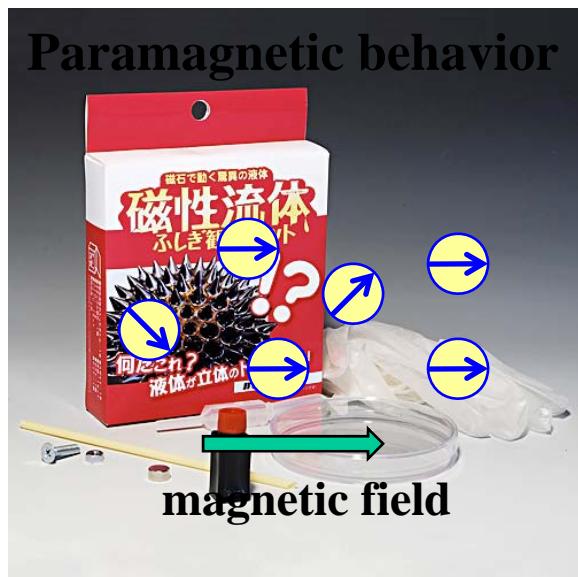
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Magnetic liquid

Colloidal mixture of
~10 nm ferromagnetic particles
in a carrier fluid



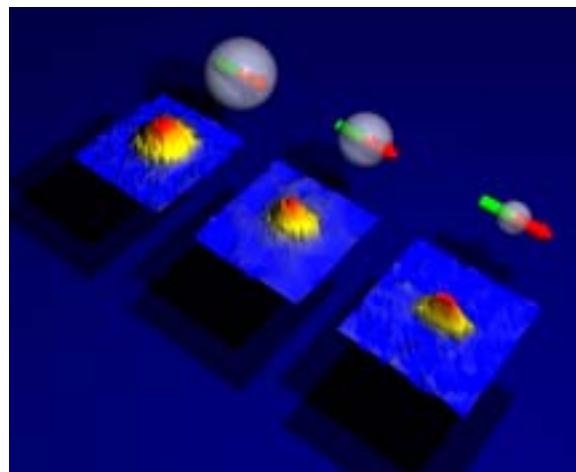
Normal-field or Rosensweig instability

Purpose of this study

Similar phenomena in a **dipolar BEC**?

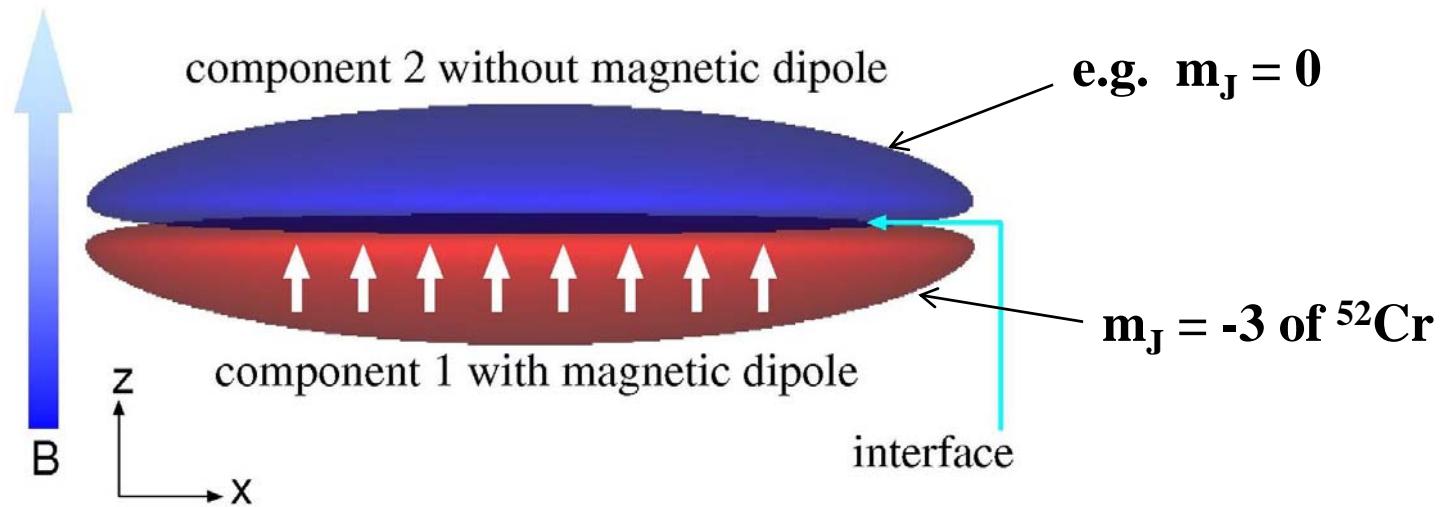
New physics?

BEC of ^{52}Cr with $\mu = 6\mu_B$



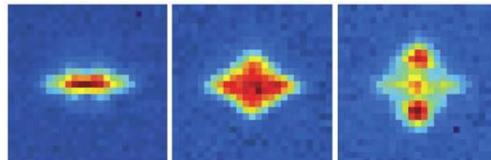
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Two-component system



Why two components?

dipolar collapse



Texture formation is easier than density pattern formation.

Lahaye et al., PRL 101, 080401 (2008)

Method of calculation

Nonlocal Gross-Pitaevskii equation (mean-field approximation)

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_1}{\partial t} = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V_{\text{trap}}(\mathbf{r}) + \mu B' z \right] \psi_1 + g_{11} |\psi_1|^2 \psi_1 + g_{12} |\psi_2|^2 \psi_1 + \int U_{\text{dd}}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') |\psi_1(\mathbf{r}')|^2 \psi_1(\mathbf{r})$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi_2}{\partial t} = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V_{\text{trap}}(\mathbf{r}) \right] \psi_2 + g_{22} |\psi_2|^2 \psi_2 + g_{12} |\psi_1|^2 \psi_2$$

$$i \rightarrow -1$$

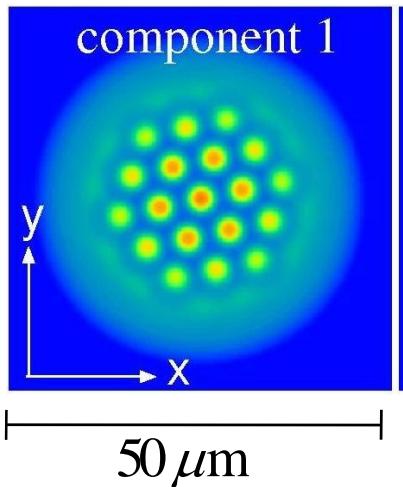
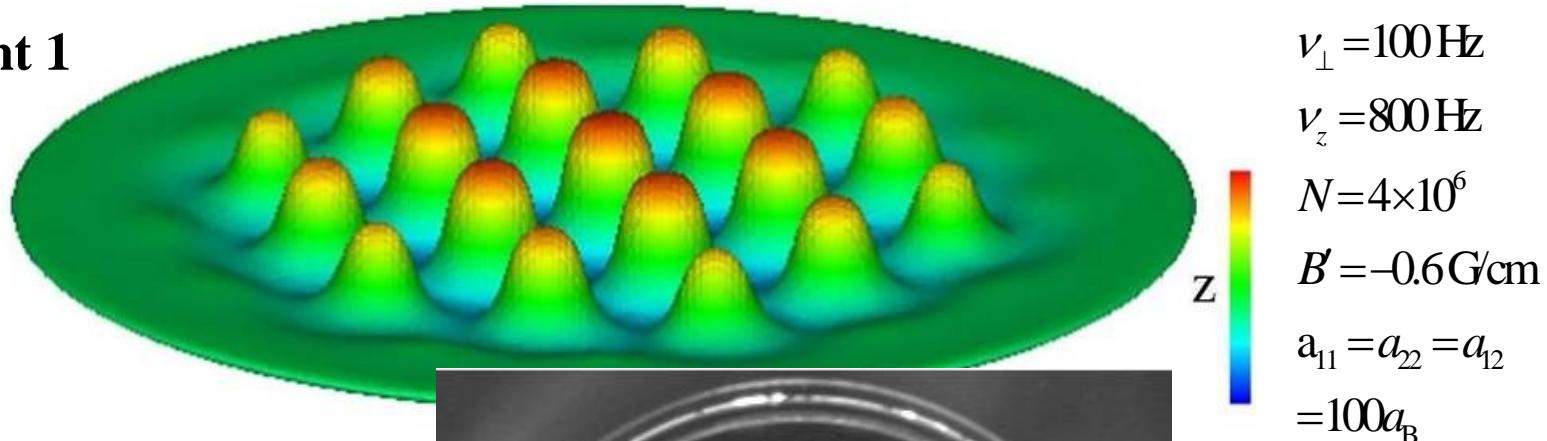
**Imaginary-time propagation
gives stationary states.**

$$U_{\text{dd}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mu_0 \mu^2}{4\pi} \frac{1 - 3 \cos^2 \theta}{r^3}$$

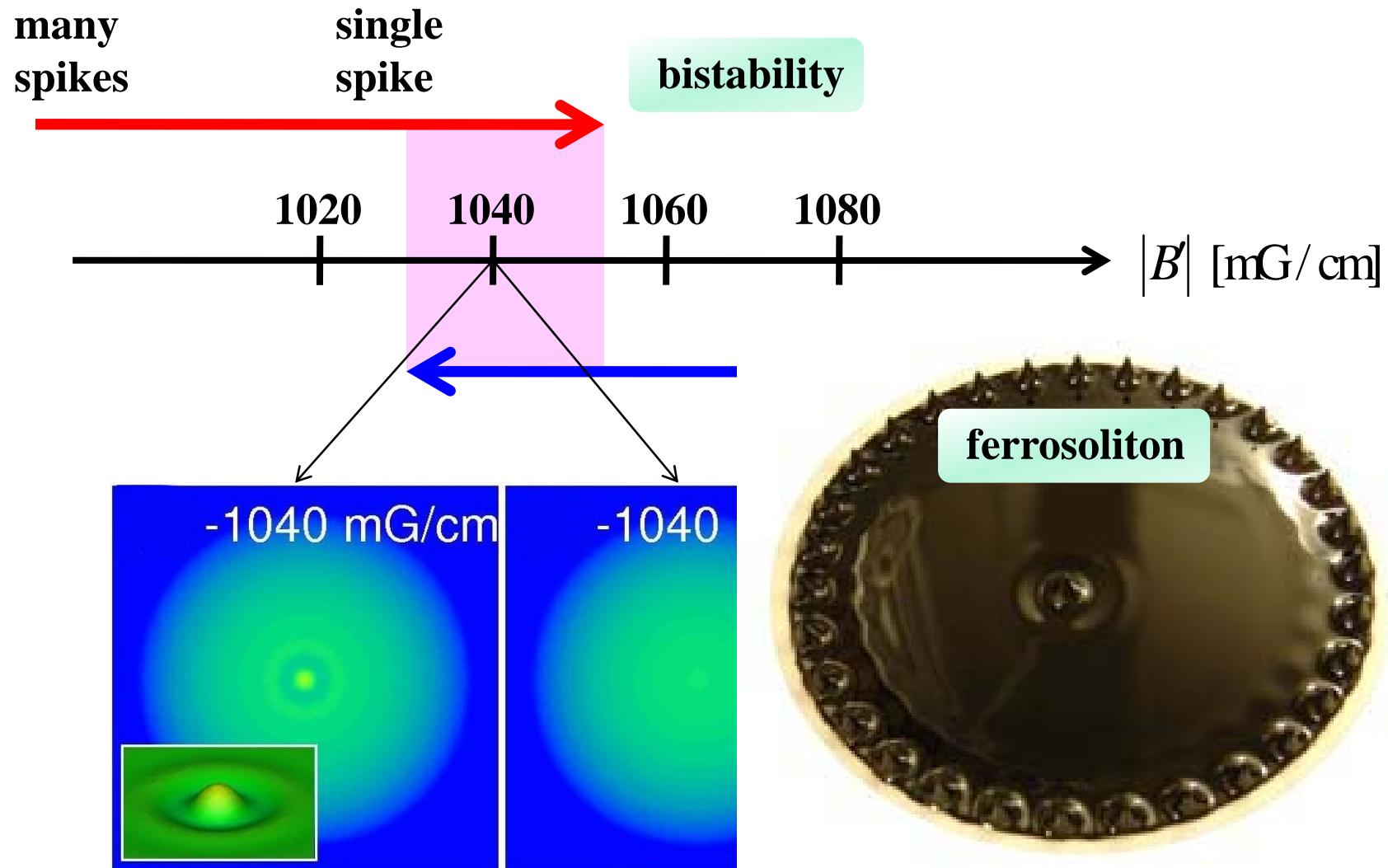
$$V_{\text{trap}} = \frac{m}{2} [\omega_{\perp}^2 (x^2 + y^2) + \omega_z^2 z^2]$$

Rosensweig instability and pattern formation

component 1

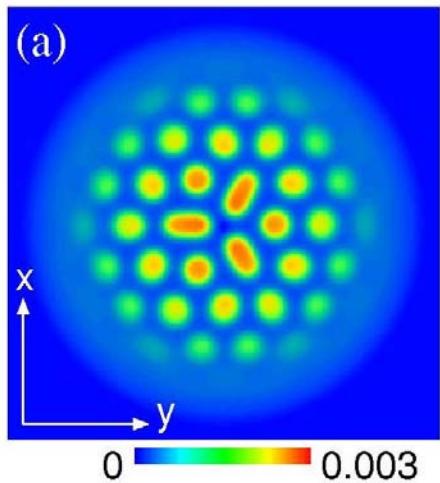


Hysteresis

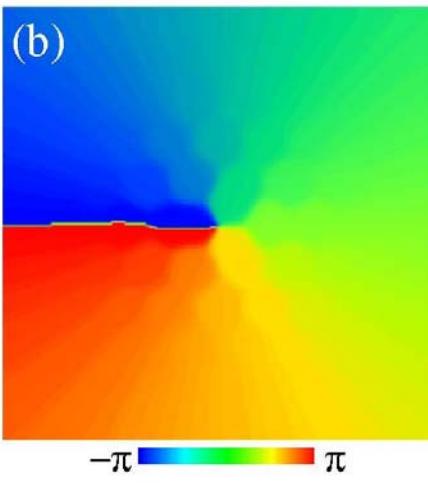


Supersolidity

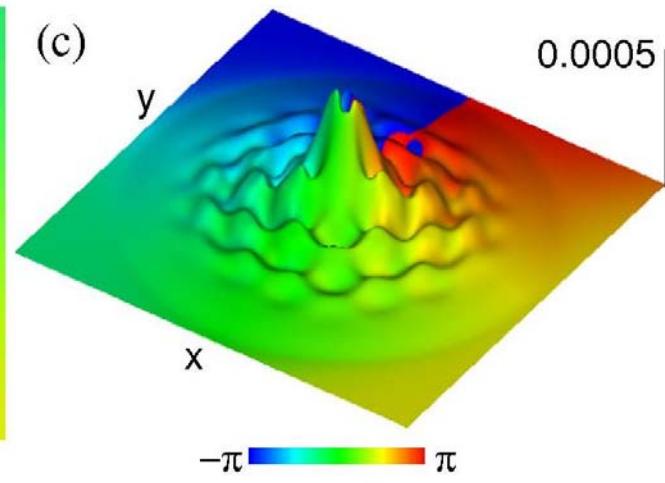
density of component 1



phase of component 1

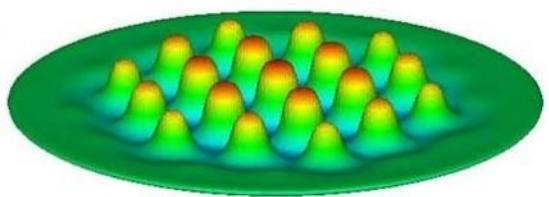


flux of component 1

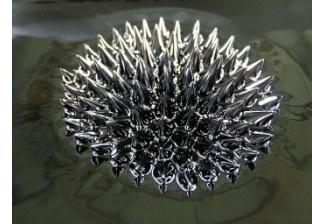


superflow + diagonal order \longrightarrow supersolidity

vortex pinning by pattern \longrightarrow persistent current



Summary



Similarities between dipolar BECs and magnetic liquids

Rosensweig patterns, hysteresis, ferrosoliton, labyrinthine pattern ...

Novel phenomena

Supersolidity, persistent current ...

HS, YK, & MU, arXiv:0812.0278