



## Limit to Spin Squeezing in BEC : from two-mode to multimode

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① INTRODUCTION

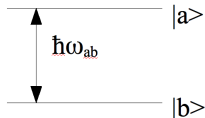
② DEPHASING MODEL

③ LOSSES

④ TEMPERATURE

# Spin squeezing and atomic clocks

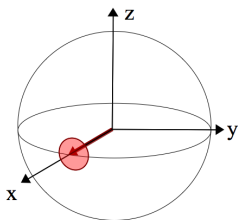
$N$  two-level atoms :



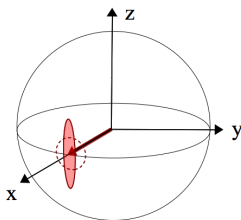
Collective spin :

$$S_x = \sum_j (|a\rangle\langle b| + |b\rangle\langle a|)_j / 2,$$

$$S_z = \sum_j (|a\rangle\langle a| - |b\rangle\langle b|)_j / 2$$



uncorrelated atoms



squeezed

**Uncorrelated atoms**

$$\Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{unc}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{NT}}$$

**Squeezed state**

$$\Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{sq}} = \xi \Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{unc}} = \frac{\xi}{\sqrt{NT}}$$

$$\xi^2 = \frac{N\Delta S_{\perp}^2}{\langle S_x \rangle^2}$$

**Spin squeezing parameter**

Kitagawa, Ueda, (1993) ; Wineland (1994)

# Spin squeezing schemes in atomic ensembles

- **Light-Atoms interaction**

Quantum Non Demolition measurement of  $S_z$

$$\xi^2 = -3.0\text{dB} = 0.5 \text{ Vuletić PRL (2010)}$$

$$\xi^2 = -3.4\text{dB} = 0.46 \text{ Polzik J. Mod. Opt (2009)}$$

$$\text{Cavity feedback } \xi^2 = -10\text{dB} = 0.1 \text{ Vuletić PRL (2010)}$$

- **Interactions in BEC**

Stationary method for BEC in two external states

$$\text{In a double well } \xi^2 = -3.8\text{dB} = 0.42 \text{ Oberthaler, Nature (2008)}$$

$$\text{In a double well on a chip } \text{Reichel PRL (2010)}$$

Dynamical method for BEC

$$\text{Feshbach } \xi^2 = -8.2\text{dB} = 0.15 \text{ Oberthaler, Nature (2010)}$$

$$\text{State-dependent pot. } \xi^2 = -2.5\text{dB} = 0.56 \text{ Treutlein, Nature (2010)}$$

# Dynamical generation of spin squeezing in a BEC

- At  $t < 0$  all the atoms are in condensate  $a$ . At  $t = 0$ ,  $\pi/2$ -pulse
- Factorized state just after the pulse

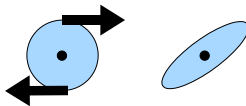
$$|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \left( \frac{a^\dagger + b^\dagger}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^N |0\rangle = \sum C_{N_a, N_b} |N_a, N_b\rangle$$

- Expansion of the Hamiltonian **Castin, Dalibard PRA (1997)**

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}(\hat{N}_a, \hat{N}_b) &= E(\bar{N}_\epsilon) + \mu_a(\hat{N}_a - \bar{N}_a) + \mu_b(\hat{N}_b - \bar{N}_b) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \partial_{N_a} \mu_a (\hat{N}_a - \bar{N}_a)^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

NON LINEAR HAMILTONIAN

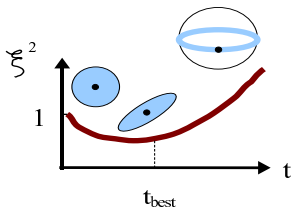
$$H_{NL} = \hbar \chi S_z^2$$



# Dynamical generation of spin squeezing in a BEC

Best squeezing time

Predictions at  $T = 0$  without decoherence :



$$H_{NL} = \hbar \chi S_z^2$$

$$\xi_{\text{best}}^2 \sim \frac{1}{N^{2/3}} \quad \chi t_{\text{best}} \sim \frac{1}{N^{2/3}}$$

No limit to the squeezing ?

Kitagawa, Ueda, PRA (1993) ; Sørensen et al. Nature (2001)

WHAT LIMITS SPIN SQUEEZING FOR  $N \rightarrow \infty$  ?

- **Particle losses** : Li Yun, Y. Castin, A. Sinatra, PRL (2008)

$$\min_{t, \omega, N} \xi^2 = \left[ \left( \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{28\pi} \frac{m}{\hbar a} \right)^2 \left( \frac{7}{2} K_1 K_3 \right) \right]^{1/3}$$

- **Non-zero temperature** : A. Sinatra et al. PRL (2011) ; Frontiers of Phys. (Springer) (2011) ; Eur. Phys. Journ. D (2012)

# Spin squeezing scaling for $N \rightarrow \infty$

## Uncorrelated atoms

$$\Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{unc}} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$$

## Squeezed state

$$\Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{sq}} \propto \frac{\xi(N)}{\sqrt{N}}$$

## Heisenberg limit

$$\Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{H}} \propto \frac{1}{N}$$

- **Two mode model**  $H_{NL} = \hbar\chi S_z^2$  **Kitagawa Ueda**

$$N \rightarrow \infty, \quad \xi \sim \frac{1}{N^{1/3}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{sq}} \sim \frac{1}{N^{5/6}}$$

- Two mode model with **dephasing**
- Two mode model with **decoherence**
- Multimode description at **finite temperature** or zero temperature

$$N \rightarrow \infty, \quad \xi \sim \xi_{\min} \neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta\omega_{ab}^{\text{sq}} \sim \frac{\xi_{\min}}{\sqrt{N}}$$

Explicit calculations to obtain  $\xi_{\min}(\text{dephasing})$ ,  $\xi_{\min}(\text{losses})$ ,  $\xi_{\min}(\text{temperature})$ , ...

# Two-mode dephasing model

## HAMILTONIAN WITH A DEPHASING TERM

$$H = \hbar\omega_{ab}S_z + \hbar\chi(S_z^2 + DS_z)$$

G. Ferrini et al. PRA 2011, Sinatra et al. Frontiers of Physics 2012

$D$  is a time-independent Gaussian random variable,  $\langle D \rangle = 0$

$$\frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N} \rightarrow \epsilon_{\text{noise}}; \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

Although the analytical solution holds  $\forall \epsilon_{\text{noise}}$ , typically  $\epsilon_{\text{noise}} \ll 1$

- $\epsilon_{\text{noise}} \Leftrightarrow$  **Fraction of lost particles**
- $\epsilon_{\text{noise}} \Leftrightarrow$  **Non-condensed fraction** in the thermodynamic limit.



# Spin dynamics and relative phase dynamics

$$a = e^{i\theta_a} \sqrt{N_a} \quad [N_a, \theta_a] = i$$

$$b = e^{i\theta_b} \sqrt{N_b} \quad [N_b, \theta_b] = i$$

$$a^\dagger b = \sqrt{N_a(N_b + 1)} e^{-i(\theta_a - \theta_b)}$$

$$\text{Initially : } N_a - N_b \sim \sqrt{N}$$

$$\text{and } \theta_a - \theta_b \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \ll 1$$

## Spin components

$$S_x \simeq \frac{N}{2} ; \quad S_y \simeq -\frac{N}{2}(\theta_a - \theta_b) ; \quad S_z = \frac{N_a - N_b}{2} ;$$

## Heisenberg equation of motion for the phase difference

$$(\theta_a - \theta_b)(t) = (\theta_a - \theta_b)(0^+) - \chi t (2S_z + D)$$

- **$S_y$  becomes a copy of  $S_z$**  : squeezing as  $\chi t \gg \frac{1}{N} \leftrightarrow \frac{\rho g t}{\hbar} \gg 1$
- Phase spreading  $(\theta_a - \theta_b) \sim 1$  as  $\chi t \simeq \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \leftrightarrow \frac{\rho g t}{\hbar} \gg \sqrt{N}$

# Best spin squeezing and spin-squeezing time

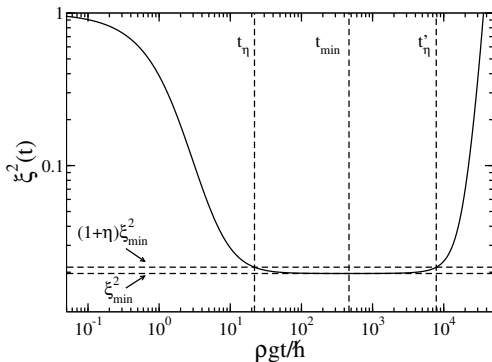
$\xi_{\min}^2$  = minimum of  $\xi^2$  over time

Best squeezing

$$\xi_{\min}^2 \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N} = \epsilon_{\text{noise}}$$

Close to best squeezing time

$$\xi^2(t_\eta) = (1 + \eta)\xi_{\min}^2$$



$$\frac{\rho g t_\eta}{\hbar} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\eta \xi_{\min}^2}}$$

$$\frac{\rho g t_{\min}}{\hbar} \sim N^{1/4}$$

$$\frac{\rho g t'_\eta}{\hbar} \sim N^{1/2}$$

# A different conclusion in the weak-dephasing limit

$$H = \hbar\chi (S_z^2 + \mathbf{D}S_z)$$

$$\langle D^2 \rangle \rightarrow \text{constant} ; \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

(e.g.  $N \rightarrow \infty$  at fixed non-condensed particles or lost particles)

cf. A. Sørensen PRA 2001

Best squeezing

$$\xi_{\min}^2 = \frac{3^{2/3}}{2} \frac{1}{N^{2/3}} + \frac{\frac{3}{2} + \langle D^2 \rangle}{N} + o\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

Best time

$$\frac{\rho g t_{\min}}{\hbar} = 3^{1/6} N^{1/3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} + o(1)$$

We recover in this case the scaling of  $H = \hbar\chi S_z^2$  plus corrections.

# Particle losses: Monte-Carlo wave functions

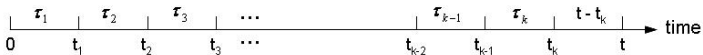
- Interaction picture with respect to  $H_{nl} = \hbar\chi S_z^2$

$$c_a = e^{i\frac{H_{nl}t}{\hbar}} a e^{-i\frac{H_{nl}t}{\hbar}} \quad c_b = e^{i\frac{H_{nl}t}{\hbar}} b e^{-i\frac{H_{nl}t}{\hbar}}$$

- Effective Hamiltonian and Jump operators for m-body losses

$$H_{\text{eff}} = - \sum_{\epsilon=a,b} \frac{i\hbar}{2} \gamma^{(m)} c_{\epsilon}^{\dagger m} c_{\epsilon}^m \quad S_{\epsilon} = \sqrt{\gamma^{(m)}} c_{\epsilon}^m$$

- Evolution of one wave function with  $k$  jumps

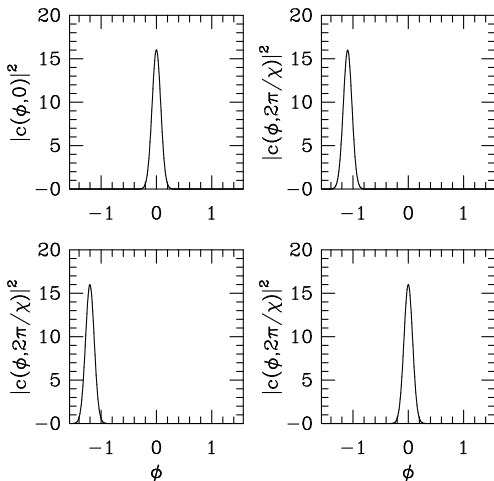


$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}(t-t_k)/\hbar} S_{\epsilon_k} e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}\tau_k/\hbar} S_{\epsilon_{k-1}} \dots S_{\epsilon_1} e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}\tau_1/\hbar} |\psi(0)\rangle$$

- Quantum averages

$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \sum_k \int_{0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k < t} dt_1 dt_2 \dots dt_k \sum_{\{\epsilon_j\}} \langle \psi(t) | \hat{O} | \psi(t) \rangle$$

# Jumps randomly kick the relative phase



Relative phase distribution at  $t = 0$  and  $\chi t = 2\pi$  in single Monte Carlo realizations with 3, 1 and 0 quantum jumps

**Sinatra, Castin EPJD 1998**

$$c_a(t)|\phi\rangle_N \propto |\phi - \chi t/2\rangle_{N-1}$$

$$c_b(t)|\phi\rangle_N \propto |\phi + \chi t/2\rangle_{N-1}$$

**After  $k$  jumps**  $|\psi(t)\rangle \propto |\phi + \frac{\chi t}{2}\mathcal{D}\rangle_{N-k}$  **with**  $\mathcal{D} = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{l=1}^k t_l (\delta_{\epsilon_l, b} - \delta_{\epsilon_l, a})$

N.B. :  $e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \chi D S_z t} |\phi\rangle = |\phi - \frac{\chi t}{2} D\rangle$

# Best squeezing and best time for $N \rightarrow \infty$

We use the exact solution for one-body losses :

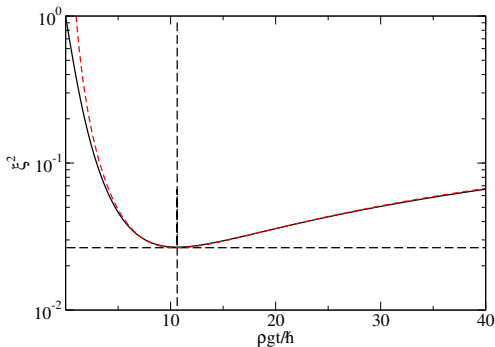
$\gamma t =$  **fraction of lost particles at time  $t$**

$$N \rightarrow \infty \quad \gamma t \equiv \epsilon_{\text{loss}} = \text{const} \ll 1$$

For long times  $\frac{\rho g t}{\hbar} \gg 1$

$$\xi^2(t) \simeq \frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N} + \left( \frac{\hbar}{\rho g t} \right)^2 [1 + O(\gamma t)]$$

$$\frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N} \simeq \frac{\gamma t}{3}$$



$$\xi_{\min}^2 = \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{4}{3} \frac{\hbar \gamma}{\rho g} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$\frac{\rho g t_{\min}}{\hbar} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{4}{3} \xi_{\min}^2}}$$

# Unified view between *dephasing noise* and *losses*

Particle Losses	Dephasing model
$ \psi(t)\rangle \propto  \phi + \frac{\chi t}{2} \mathcal{D}\rangle$	$(\theta_a - \theta_b)(t) = (\theta_a - \theta_b)(0^+) - \chi t [2S_z + D]$
$\mathcal{D}$ from quantum jumps	$D$ from a dephasing $H$
$\xi^2(t) \underset{\rho g t / \hbar > 1}{\simeq} \frac{\langle \mathcal{D}^2 \rangle}{N}$	$\xi^2(t) \underset{\rho g t / \hbar > 1}{\simeq} \frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N}$
$\frac{\langle \mathcal{D}^2 \rangle}{N} = \frac{\gamma t}{3} = \frac{\epsilon_{\text{loss}}}{3}$	$\frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N} = \epsilon_{\text{noise}}$

# Multimode description

## Hamiltonian for component $a$ (idem for $b$ )

$$H = dV \sum_{\mathbf{r}} \psi_a^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) h_0 \psi_a(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{g}{2} \psi_a^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) \psi_a^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) \psi_a(\mathbf{r}) \psi_a(\mathbf{r}).$$

Before the pulse, the system is in thermal equilibrium in  $a$  with  $T \ll T_c$ .

**the pulse mixes the field  $a$  with the field  $b$  that is in vacuum :**

$$\psi_a(\mathbf{r})(0^+) = \frac{\psi_a(\mathbf{r})(0^-) - \psi_b(\mathbf{r})(0^-)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

**After the pulse the two fields evolve independently**



# Bogoliubov description

Bogoliubov expansion : weakly interacting quasi-particles

$$H_a = E_0 + \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} \epsilon_k c_{a\mathbf{k}}^\dagger c_{a\mathbf{k}} + \text{cubic terms} + \text{quartic terms}$$

Spin components

$$S_+ \equiv S_x + iS_y = dV \sum_{\mathbf{r}} \psi_a^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) \psi_b(\mathbf{r}) \qquad S_z = \frac{N_a - N_b}{2}$$

In the Bogoliubov description

$$S_+ = e^{i(\theta_a - \theta_b)} \left( \frac{N}{2} + F \right)$$

$$(\theta_a - \theta_b)(t) = (\theta_a - \theta_b)(0^+) - \frac{gt}{\hbar V} [(N_a - N_b) + \mathbf{D}]$$

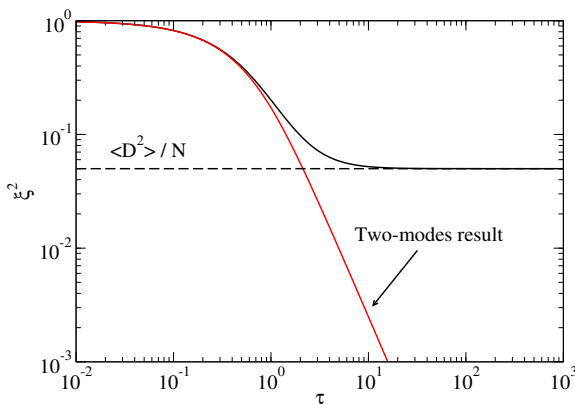
$\mathbf{D}$  and  $F$  depend on Bogoliubov functions and occupation numbers of quasi particles  $c_{a\mathbf{k}}^\dagger c_{a\mathbf{k}}$  after the pulse

# Squeezing parameter evolution

Double expansion in  $\epsilon_{\text{size}} = 1/N \rightarrow 0$  and  $\epsilon_{\text{Bog}} = \langle N_{\text{nc}} \rangle / N \rightarrow 0$ .

## Spin squeezing saturates to a finite value

Spin squeezing as a function of a renormalized time ( $\tau \simeq \rho g t / (2\hbar)$ )

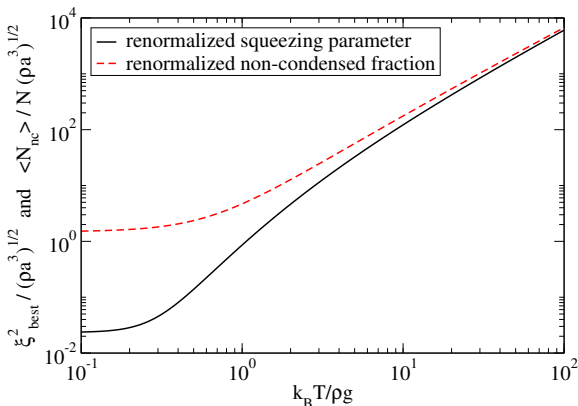


The limit  $\langle D^2 \rangle / N$  depends on temperature and interaction strength

# The limit of spin spin squeezing is smaller than the non condensed fraction

$$\xi_{\text{best}}^2 = \frac{\langle \mathbf{D}^2 \rangle}{N} = \sqrt{\rho a^3} F\left(\frac{k_B T}{\rho g}\right)$$

Spin squeezing and the non condensed fraction both divided by  $\sqrt{\rho a^3}$

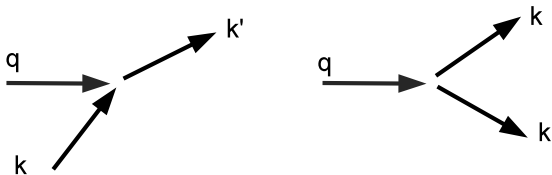


# Unified view between *dephasing noise* and *temperature*

Dephasing model	Multimode $T \neq 0$
$(\theta_a - \theta_b)(t) \simeq -\chi t [2S_z + D]$	$(\theta_a - \theta_b)(t) \simeq -\chi t [2S_z + D_{\text{th}}]$
$D$ from a dephasing $H$	$D_{\text{th}}$ from excited modes population
$\xi^2(t) \underset{\rho g t / \hbar > 1}{\simeq} \frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N}$	$\xi^2(t) \underset{\rho g t / \hbar > 1}{\simeq} \frac{\langle D_{\text{th}}^2 \rangle}{N}$
$\frac{\langle D^2 \rangle}{N} = \epsilon_{\text{noise}}$	$\frac{\langle D_{\text{th}}^2 \rangle}{N} = \sqrt{\rho a^3} F(k_B T / \rho g) \underset{k_B T > \rho g}{\sim} \epsilon_{\text{Bog}}$

# Consequence of the physics beyond Bogoliubov approximation

$$H_a = E_0 + \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{a}\mathbf{k}}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{a}\mathbf{k}} + \text{cubic terms} + \text{quartic terms}$$

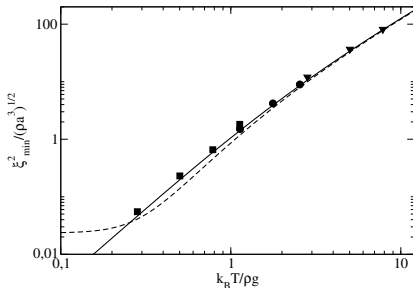


At long time the system thermalizes and Bogoliubov approximation fails

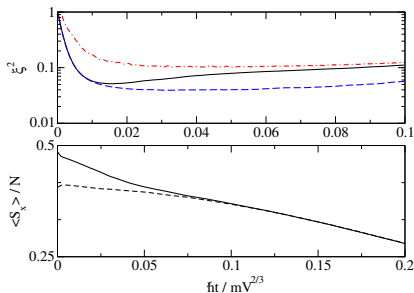
To test the validity of the perturbative treatment, we compare the analytic results with classical field simulations

# Analytics versus Numerics (non perturbative)

## Best squeezing



## Thermalization in simulations



$$\xi_{\text{best}}^2 = \frac{\langle \mathbf{D}^2 \rangle}{N} = \sqrt{\rho a^3} \ F \left( \frac{k_B T}{\rho g} \right)$$

$$\langle S_x \rangle = \text{Re} \langle \sum_{\mathbf{k}} b_{\mathbf{k}}^* a_{\mathbf{k}} \rangle_{t > t_{\text{therm}}} \simeq \text{Re} \langle b_0^* a_0 \rangle .$$

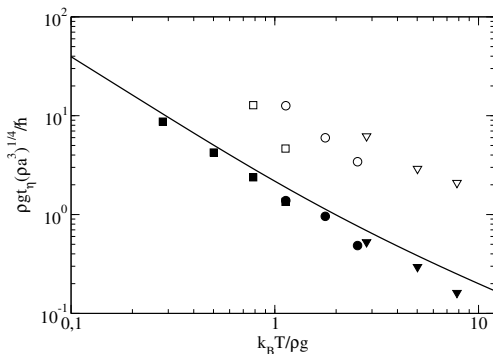
PRL (2011), long : EPJ ST (2012)

# Result : Close to best squeezing time

At the thermodynamic limit, in the perturbative approach,  $t_{\text{best}} = \infty$ .

**Definition :**  $\xi^2(t_\eta) = (1 + \eta)\xi_{\text{best}}^2$

$$\frac{\rho g}{\hbar} t_\eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\eta \xi_{\text{best}}^2}}$$



## NECESSARY CONDITION

$$t_\eta \ll t_{\text{therm}}$$

## ONE CAN SHOW THAT

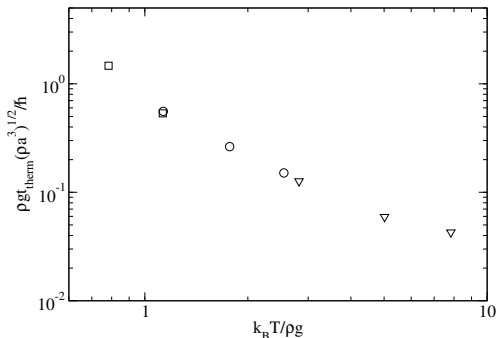
$$\frac{t_\eta}{t_{\text{therm}}} \propto (\rho a^3)^{1/4}$$

# Rescaled thermalization time

At the thermodynamic limit, in the perturbative approach,  $t_{\text{best}} = \infty$ .

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$$\frac{\rho g}{\hbar} t_\eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\eta \xi_{\text{best}}^2}}$$



NECESSARY CONDITION

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$$\frac{t_\eta}{t_{\text{therm}}} \propto (\rho a^3)^{1/4}$$



# Physical Interpretation

$$(\theta_a - \theta_b) = -\frac{g}{\hbar V} t [N_a - N_b + \mathcal{D}]$$

## LIMIT TO SPIN SQUEEZING

$$\mathbf{D} \neq \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \xi^2 = \frac{\langle \mathbf{D}^2 \rangle}{N} \neq 0 \quad \text{pour } N \rightarrow \infty$$

From where this dephasing comes from ?

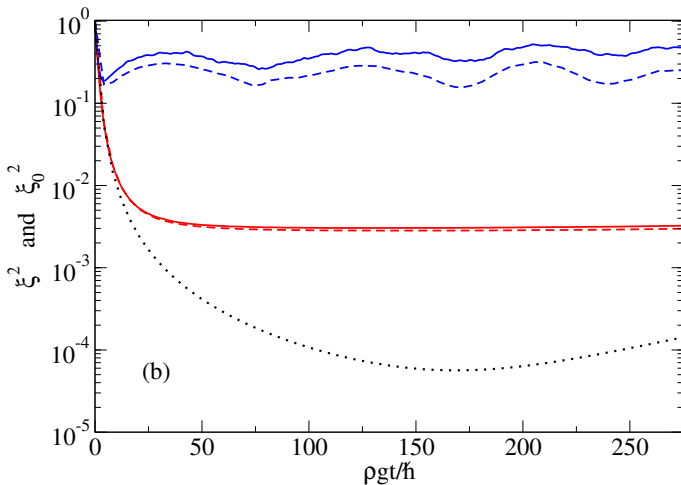
**Hartree-Fock limit**  $k_B T \gg \rho g$ ,  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{N}_{a\perp} - \mathbf{N}_{b\perp}$  (and  $\langle D^2 \rangle = N_{nc}$ ):

$$(\theta_a - \theta_b)_{HF} = -\frac{g}{\hbar V} t [N_{a0} - N_{b0} + (1 + \mathbf{1})(N_{a\perp} - N_{b\perp})]$$

condensate + condensate  $\leftrightarrow g$

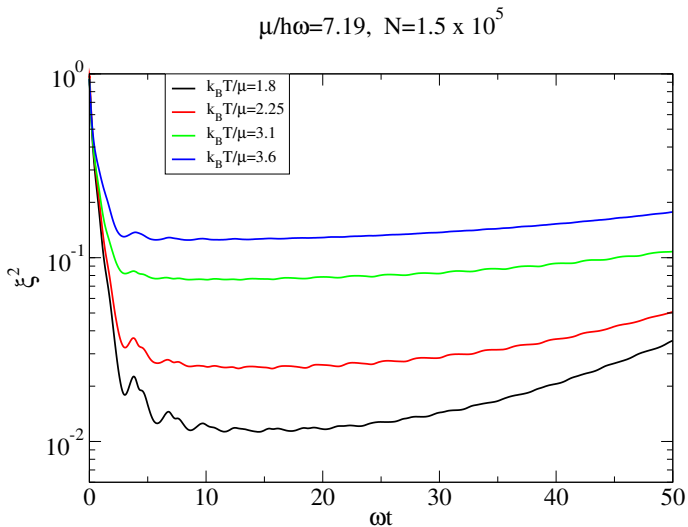
condensate + non condensate  $\leftrightarrow 2g$

# Condensate squeezing vs Total field squeezing



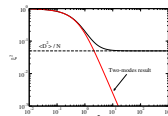
$$k_B T / \rho g = 0.5, \langle N_{nc} \rangle / N = 0.02, \sqrt{\rho a^3} = 1.32 \times 10^{-2}.$$

# Numerical results in the trap : squeezing as a function of time



# Conclusions

- **Spin squeezing** *with dephasing, with losses, or in a multimode theory at  $T \neq 0$  is limited for  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .* We calculate this limit microscopically.
- A simple **dephasing model** can effectively describe both the *lossy* and *finite temperature* case. In both cases the limit is given by a **fluctuating perturbation of the relative phase**.
- In the case at finite temperature the perturbation comes from **thermal population** of the excited modes and from the **different interaction strength** for c-c atoms and c-nc atoms.
- Condensate squeezing is much worse than the squeezing of the total field.



$$S_y \propto 2S_z + \mathbf{D}$$

