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Spin-dependent inelastic collisions in spin-2 Bose-Einstein condensates

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Scope of the presentation



• Poster \rightarrow Aural \rightarrow broaden the scope

Properties and dynamics of Bose-Einstein condensates with internal degrees of freedom

Experimental achievement in Gakushuin University

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Spin-dependent inelastic collisions in spin-2 Bose-Einstein condensates

S. Tojo, T. Hayashi, T. Tanabe, T. Hirano, Y. Kawaguchi, H. Saito, M. Ueda

Phys. Rev. A 80, 042704 (2009).

maybe technical, but fundamental knowledge to understand spinor BEC



Research objectives: Why atomic BEC with internal degrees of freedom

Internal degrees of freedom

- Scalar BEC: spin state is fixed (magnetic trap)
- Spinor BEC: spin degrees of freedom are librated (optical trap)



All spin states can be trapped in an optical trap

Novel physics in qantum fluids with many internal degrees of freedom

Rb BEC with internal degrees of freedom



⁸⁷ Rb	high-field seeker		$m_{_F}$	low-field seeker		
<i>F</i> =2	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	
<i>F</i> =1		+1	0	-1		

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- · Scattering lengths can be controlled by Feshbach Reaonance.
- Phase separation of two-component BEC

I would like to briefly report our experimental results on "Controlling phase-separation of binary Bose-Einstein condensates by mixed-spin-channel Feshbach resonance"

Experimental setup and spin-state manipulation



Spin-state manipulation



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- •Ground-state phase of ⁸⁷Rb BEC

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Diagnostics for the ground-state phase of a spin-2 Bose-Einstein condensate

Saito and Ueda proposed a method to determine the ground-state phase of spin-2 ⁸⁷Rb BEC at zero magnetic field using spin exchange dynamics.

If the F = 2 ⁸⁷Rb BEC has <u>anti-ferromagnetic properties</u>, the mixture of $\underline{m}_{\rm F} = -2$ and $\underline{m}_{\rm F} = +2$ is one of the ground states at a zero magnetic field. [M.Ueda & M.Koashi, PRA, 65, 063602 (2002)]

If $m_F=0$ atoms appears for the initial mixture of $\underline{m}_F = -2$ and $\underline{m}_F = +2$, then the ground state is cyclic.



Hiroki Sato & Masahito Ueda, Phys.Rev.A 72, 053628 (2005).

Time-evolution of $m_F = -2 \& m_F = +2 BECs @ 45 mG$



Problem-1: Inelastic collisions of F=2 states



If the inelastic collision rate of $m_F=0$ state is much larger than that of another states, it may be difficult to observe $m_F=0$ state when creation rate is small.

Two-body inelastic collision

Hyperfine changing collision



Inelastic collision between different spin-states

Dependence of remained atoms on population imbalance



S. Tojo, et al. APB 92, 403 (2008).



The total number of atoms at balanced population is lowest.

Two-body inelastic collision rate for spin states

2-body loss for intra-spin state (m_F =0)

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -K_2 c_2 N^{7/5}, \quad c_2 = \frac{15^{2/5}}{14\pi} \underbrace{\mathbb{R}}_{\overline{\omega}} h \sqrt{\overline{a}} \overset{6/5}{\overline{\omega}}$$

Söding et.al., Appl. Phys. B 69,257 (1999)

 \overline{a} : averaged scattering lentgh \overline{y} : averaged trap frequency

2-body loss for each inter-spin states (m_F =+2&-2)

$$\frac{dN_{\alpha}}{dt} = \frac{dN_{\beta}}{dt} = -K_{2(\alpha,\beta)} \langle n_{\beta} \rangle N_{\alpha}$$
$$\langle n_{\beta} \rangle = [dvn_{\alpha} (\mathbf{r})n_{\beta} (\mathbf{r})] / N_{\alpha}$$

Total 2-body loss at population imbalance

 $\frac{dN}{dt} = -\rho_{\alpha}(t)\rho_{\beta}(t)K_2c_2N^{7/5}$

 $\rho_{\alpha}(t), \rho_{\beta}(t)$: relative population $K_2 = 2K_{2(\alpha,\beta)} = 2K_{2(\beta,\alpha)}$ (normalized)

A pair with different spin states selectively decays.



Balanced



Population-dependence of atom loss



Inelastic collision rates between spin-states

Total spin of collision channel: $\begin{bmatrix} 0, 2, 4 \end{bmatrix}$

By analogy with the scattering length in elastic collisions, two-body inelastic collisions are described by two parameters, b_0 and b_2 , which correspond to channels with the total spins of 0 and 2, respectively.



Atom number evolution : single component



- Difference between $K_{2(0,0)}$ and $K_{2(-1,-1)}$

Two body inelastic collision : b_0 , b_2

Relation between m_1, m_2 and b_0, b_2 $K_{m_{1,m_{2}}} \sim \frac{b_{2}}{\left|\left\langle\left\langle 2, m_{1} + m_{2} \right| \left| 2, m_{2} \right\rangle\right| 2, m_{1} \right\rangle\right|^{2} + \frac{b_{0}}{\left|\left\langle\left\langle 0, m_{1} + m_{2} \right| \left| 2, m_{2} \right\rangle\right| 2, m_{1} \right\rangle\right|^{2}}$ $m_{\rm F} = 0 \& 0 \qquad |2,0\rangle |2,0\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{18}{35}} ||4,0\rangle\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{2}{7}} ||2,0\rangle\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} ||0,0\rangle\rangle$ $|| K_{0,0} = \frac{2}{7}b_2 + \frac{1}{5}b_0||$ $m_{\rm F}$ = -1 & -1 $|2, -1\rangle|2, -1\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{4}{7}}||4, -2\rangle\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}||2, -2\rangle\rangle$ Evaluation of b_2, b_0 $|| K_{-1,-1} = \frac{3}{7}b_2||$ $b_0 = (11.1 \pm 6.1) \times 10^{-14} \text{ cm}^{-3}/\text{s}$ $m_{\rm F}$ = -2 & -2 $|2, -2\rangle |2, -2\rangle = ||4, -4\rangle \rangle$ $b_2 = (26.3 \pm 2.7) \times 10^{-14} \text{ cm}^{-3}/\text{s}$ $K_{-2-2} = 0$

Atom number evolution : $m_F = -2,0$ and $m_F = -1,0$



Atom number evolution : $m_F = +1,-2$ and $m_F = -1,-2$



Atom number evolution : $m_F = +1,-1$ and $m_F = +2,-2$



Problem-2: Relative center-of-mass positions between $m_{\rm F}$ = +2 & -2



Summary

⁸⁷Rb BEC with internal degrees of freedom

- Magnetic sublevels can be coherently coupled, and their populations can be controlled.
- Scattering lengths can be controlled by Feshbach Reaonance.
 Controlling phase-separation behavior of two-component BEC
 - The scattering length is obtained by comparing the shape of the atomic cloud by comparison with the numerical analysis.

Inelastic collision rates of all possible channels are well described

by two parameters: basis knowledge for future study

 $b_2 = (11.1 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}, b_0 = (26.3 \pm 2.7) \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$

Ground-state phase of F=2 ⁸⁷Rb BEC

- Results supported anti-ferromagnetic(but several problems).
- We solved two problems: inelastic collision and spatial separation

 \rightarrow Preliminary results reported by Tanabe: P86