

# The Computation of Vortical Patterns in Bose-Einstein Condensates: Existence, Stability, Bifurcations and Dynamics

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# Wave Phenomena

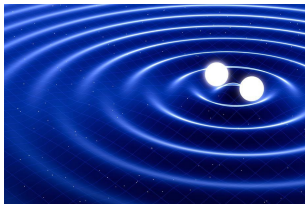
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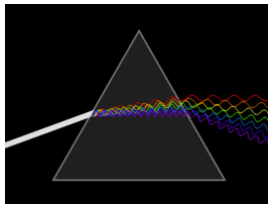
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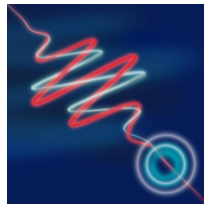
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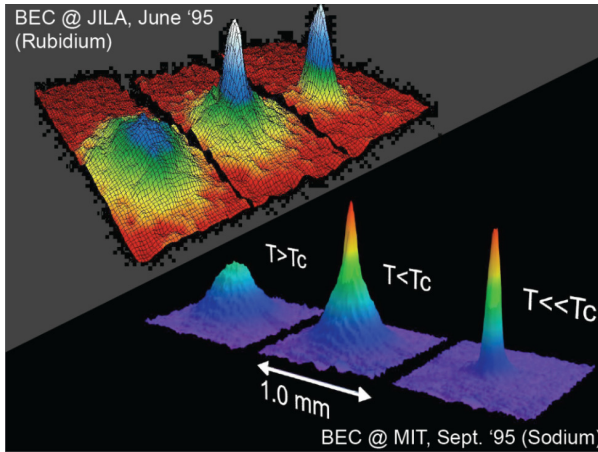


Matter Waves



# Bose-Einstein Condensates (BECs)

- State of matter in which a number of particles share the same quantum state.
- 1925: Theoretical prediction by Bose & Einstein.
- 1995: Experimental observation by Cornell, Ketterle, and Wieman.



- Everything condenses  $\Rightarrow$  localized solution  $\Rightarrow$  soliton !

# From Newton's Method to Deflation

- One of the most fundamental problems in Scientific Computing:

Find  $x^*$  such that  $F(x) = 0$ .

- **Newton's method** constructs a sequence of iterates from an **initial iterate**  $x_0$ :

$$\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n, \dots\} \quad \text{such that} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x^*$$

via the **iteration formula**:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{F(x_n)}{F'(x_n)} = x_n + p_n, \quad p_n := -\frac{F(x_n)}{F'(x_n)}, \quad n \geq 0.$$

- Key advantage: Generalizable to systems of equations  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ :

$$\mathbf{x}^{(n+1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(n)} - [J(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})]^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}), \quad n \geq 0.$$

- In practice, we solve a **linear system**:

$$-[J(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})]^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}) = \mathbf{p}^{(n)} \Rightarrow \underbrace{J(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})}_A \underbrace{\mathbf{p}^{(n)}}_x = \underbrace{-\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})}_b.$$

- Plethora of methods and software for solving linear systems!

## From Newton's Method to Deflation

- **1963:** J.H. Wilkinson (1919-1986) proposed that if  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  are roots of a polynomial  $p(x)$ , further ones *may be found* by solving the **deflated problem**:

$$q(x) = \frac{p(x)}{(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \cdots (x - x_k)}.$$

- **1971:** K. Brown and W. Gearhart proposed that if  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a solution to  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ , a new solution *may be found* by solving:

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = M(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^*)\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*\|},$$

where  $M(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{I}/\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$  is the **deflation matrix**.

- **2015:** P. Farrell, A. Birkisson and S.W. Funke introduced:

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = M(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^*)\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}), \quad M(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \left( \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^p} + \sigma \right) \mathbb{I}.$$

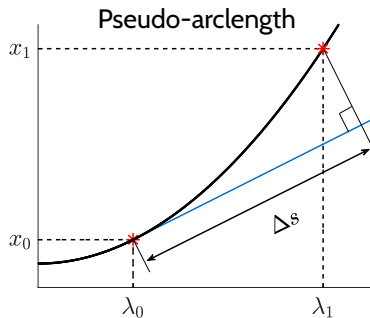
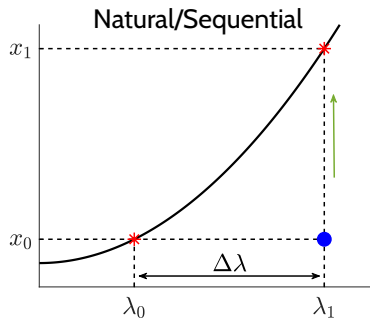
- Key properties:
  - For  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{x}^*$ ,  $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$  iff  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$  (preservation of solutions of  $\mathbf{F}$ ).
  - Newton's method will not converge to  $\mathbf{x}^*$  but to a **new solution**.

# Numerical Continuation

- Let  $\mathbf{F} : U \times \mathbb{R} \mapsto V$  where  $U$  and  $V$  are Banach spaces.
- A common problem that arises in Scientific Computing is:

$$\mathbf{F}(x; \lambda) = \mathbf{0}.$$

- Use continuation methods to trace out branches of  $x^*$  as  $\lambda$  is varied.
- Commonly used methods:



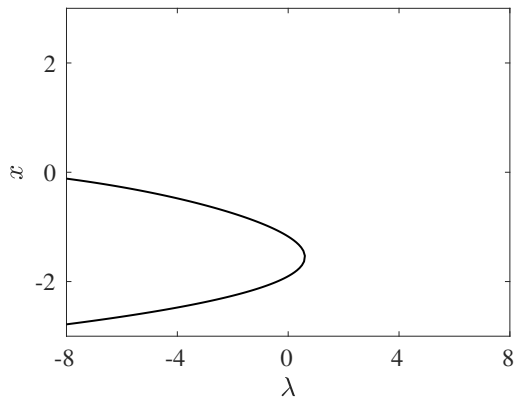
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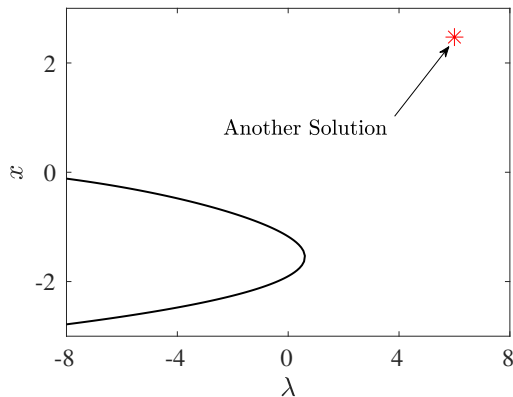




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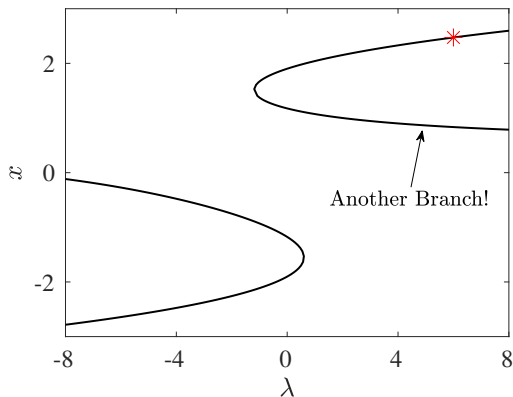
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- Pseudo-arclength continuation **fails** here.

## Deflated Continuation Method (DCM)

- DCM enables the discovery of previously unknown **disconnected branches** of solutions.
- Given  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}; \lambda)$ , employ Newton's method with **fixed**  $\lambda$ .
- Upon convergence  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{u}^*$  is obtained.
- Now, find a new solution  $\Rightarrow$  deflate  $\mathbf{u}^*$ .
- Construct and solve a **new nonlinear problem**:

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}.$$

with

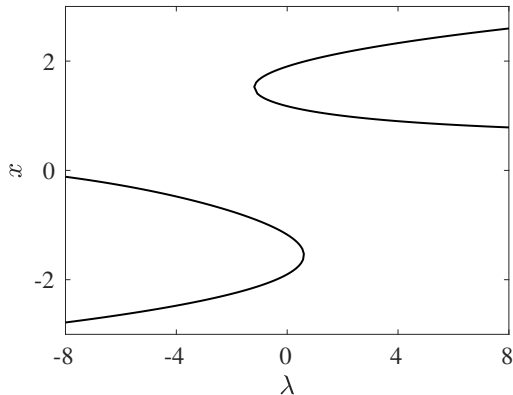
$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{u}) \doteq M(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{u}^*)\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}), \quad M(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{u}_1^*) \doteq (\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_1^*\|^{-2} + 1) \mathbb{I}.$$

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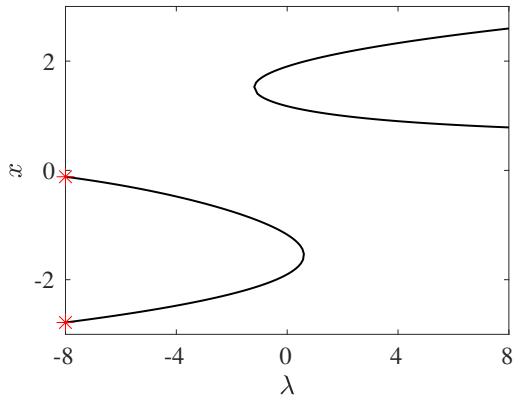


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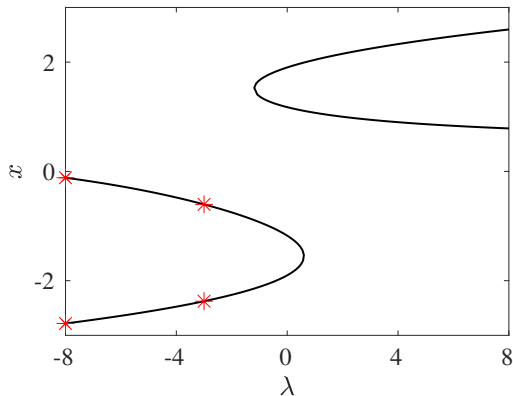


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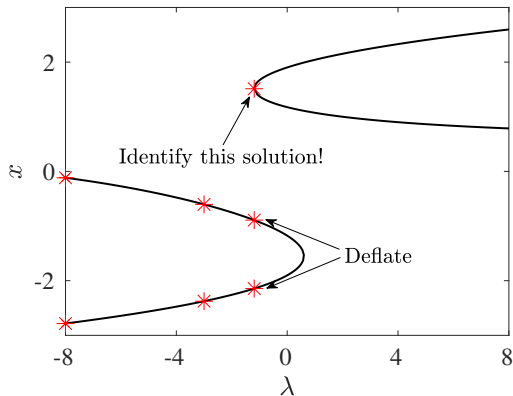


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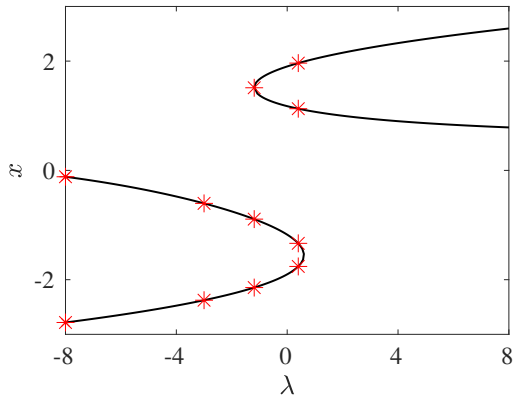


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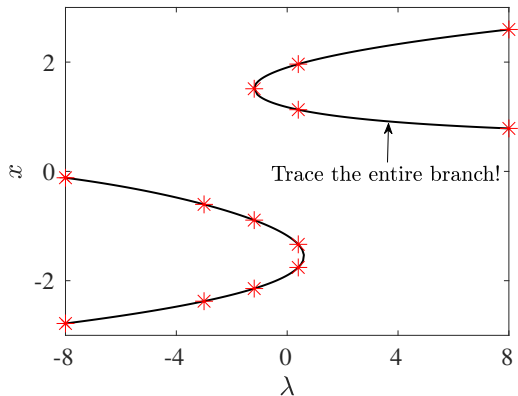


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# Mathematical Modeling of Wave Phenomena

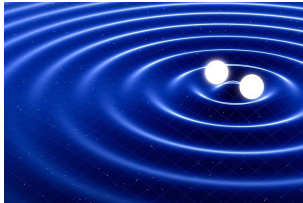
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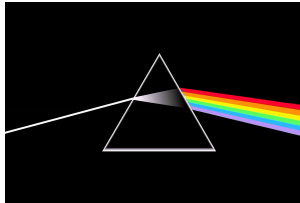
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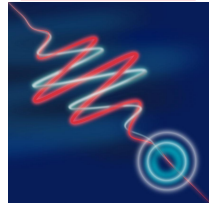
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**Matter Waves**



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# Linear Waves

- Matter wave is described by  $\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t) \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\mathbf{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ .
- The probability density  $|\Phi|^2$  is normalized according to

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\Phi|^2 d\mathbf{r} = 1.$$

- **1926:** Matter Waves can be described by **Erwin Schrödinger's Equation:**



$$\boxed{i \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} = \hat{H}_0 \Phi}, \quad \hat{H}_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r}), \quad i = \sqrt{-1},$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}.$$

- $V(\mathbf{r})$  is the external potential.
- Solve this **linear** partial differential equation (PDE) using separation of variables:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \phi(\mathbf{r}) e^{-iEt}.$$

- Obtain an **eigenvalue problem:**

$$\boxed{\hat{H}_0 \phi = E \phi.}$$

## Example: Quantum Harmonic Oscillator (QHO)

- In 1D, the external potential is:

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2}\Omega^2 x^2,$$

- The eigenvalue problem becomes:

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 \phi(x)}{dx^2} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \Omega^2 x^2}_{V(x)} \phi(x) = E \phi(x) \quad (u=\sqrt{\Omega}x) \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d^2 \phi}{du^2} + \left( \frac{2E}{\Omega} - u^2 \right) \phi = 0.}$$

- For  $|u| \gg 1$ ,  $\phi(u) \rightarrow 0$ , and thus we get:

$$\frac{d^2 \phi}{du^2} - u^2 \phi = 0, \quad \text{with solution} \quad \boxed{\phi(u) \propto u^k e^{-u^2/2}.}$$

- Setting  $\phi(u) = f(u)e^{-u^2/2}$  we get the Hermite differential equation:

$$\boxed{\frac{d^2 f}{du^2} - 2u \frac{df}{du} + 2nf = 0,} \quad \text{with} \quad 2E/\Omega - 1 = 2n \Rightarrow \boxed{E_n = (n + 1/2) \Omega.}$$

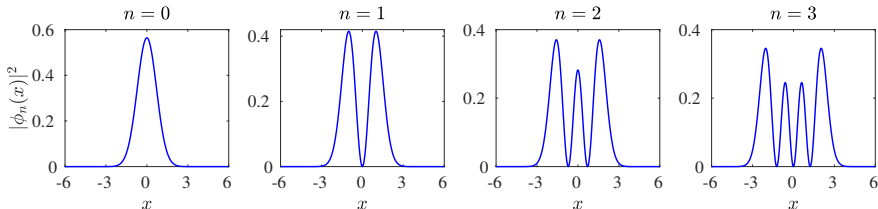
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- Solutions to Hermite equation are the Hermite polynomials  $H_n$ :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_0(u) = 1 \\ H_1(u) = 2u \\ H_2(u) = 4u^2 - 2 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{obtained by using power series: } f(u) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j u^j.$$

- The solutions to the QHO in 1D are given by:

$$\phi_n(x) = \left(\frac{\Omega}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2^n n!}} H_n(\sqrt{\Omega}x) e^{-\Omega x^2/2}.$$



# The QHO in 2D: Cartesian Eigenstates

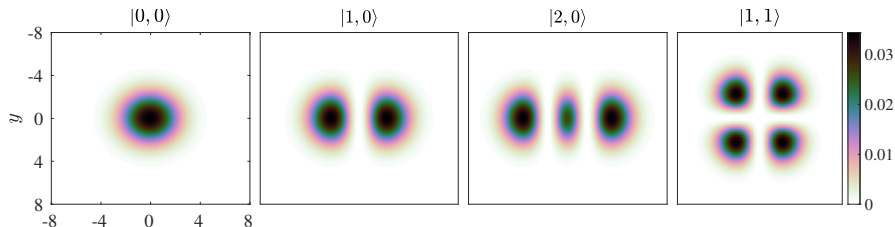
- The Linear Schrödinger equation in 2D takes the form:

$$-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2\phi(\mathbf{r}) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}\Omega^2(x^2 + y^2)}_{V(\mathbf{r})}\phi(\mathbf{r}) = E\phi(\mathbf{r}), \quad \mathbf{r} = \langle x, y \rangle.$$

- Solution of the Sturm-Liouville problem in Cartesian coordinates:

$$|m, n\rangle = \phi_{m,n}(\mathbf{r}) \propto H_m(\sqrt{\Omega}x) H_n(\sqrt{\Omega}y) e^{-\Omega r^2/2}, \quad E_{m,n} = (m + n + 1)\Omega.$$

- Probing the density  $|\phi_{m,n}|^2$ :



# The QHO in 2D: Polar Eigenstates

- The Linear Schrödinger equation in 2D but with  $\phi(x, y) = q(r)e^{il\theta}$  reads:

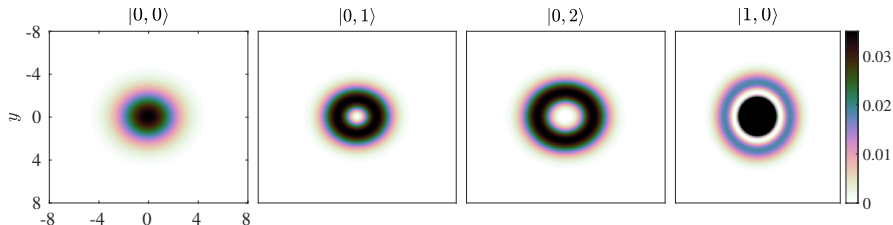
$$-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d^2 q}{dr^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{dq}{dr} - \frac{l^2 q}{r^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \Omega^2 r^2 q = E q.$$

- Solution of the Sturm-Liouville problem in Polar coordinates:

$$|k, l\rangle = \phi_{k,l}(r, \theta) \propto q_{k,l} e^{il\theta}, \quad E_{k,l} = (1 + |l| + 2k) \Omega.$$

with  $q_{k,l} \propto r^{|l|} L_k^{|l|}(\Omega r^2) e^{-\Omega r^2/2}$  ( $L_k^l$  are the Laguerre polynomials).

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# The QHO in 3D

- Cartesian eigenfunctions:

$$|k, m, n\rangle \propto H_k(\sqrt{\Omega}x)H_m(\sqrt{\Omega}y)H_n(\sqrt{\Omega}z)e^{-\Omega r^2/2}, \quad E_{m,n} = (k + m + n + 3/2)\Omega.$$

- Cylindrical eigenfunctions:

$$|K, l, n\rangle \propto q_{K,l}(R)e^{il\theta}H_n(\sqrt{\Omega}z)e^{-\Omega(R^2+z^2)/2}, \quad E_{K,l,n} = (2K + |l| + n + 3/2)\Omega.$$

with  $R = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and  $q_{K,l} = R^l L_K^l(\Omega R^2)e^{-\Omega R^2/2}$ .

- Spherical eigenfunctions:

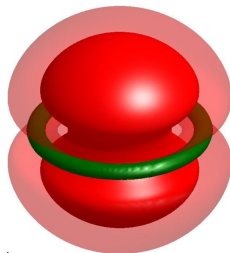
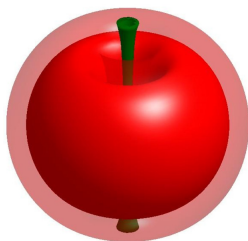
$$|K, l, m\rangle \propto q_{K,l}(r)Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi), \quad E_{K,l,m} = (2K + l + 3/2)\Omega,$$

with  $Y_{l,m}$  the spherical harmonics,  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ , and  $m = 0, \pm 1, \dots, \pm l$ .



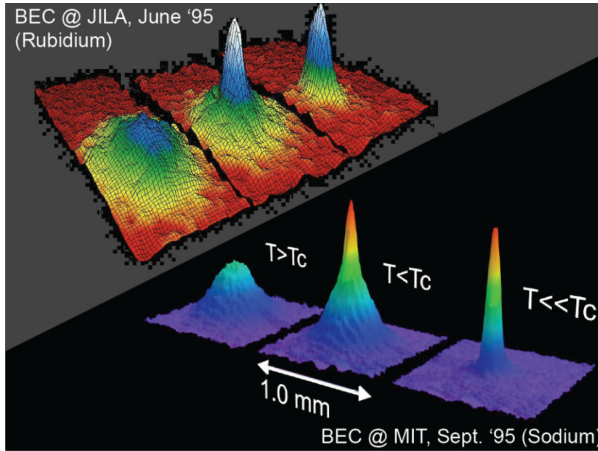
# The QHO in 3D

- Examples of eigenfunctions in 3D:
  - **Vortex Line (VL):**  $u_{VL} \propto |0, 2, 0\rangle$  in cylindrical coordinates.
  - One dark soliton ( $z = 0$ ):  $u_{DS} \propto |0, 0, 1\rangle$ .
  - Ring dark soliton (RDS):  $u_{RDS} \propto |2, 0, 0\rangle + |0, 2, 0\rangle$ .
  - **Vortex Ring (VR):**  $u_{VR} = u_{RDS} + iu_{DS}$ .



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# The Nonlinear Schrödinger (NLS) Equation and BECs

- The NLS can be used to describe light propagation in nonlinear optics, water waves and Bose-Einstein Condensates (BECs):

$$i \frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} = \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) + \gamma |\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t)|^2 \right] \Phi(\mathbf{r}, t).$$

- External potential:

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{2} \Omega^2 |\mathbf{r}|^2.$$

- $\gamma = -1$ : Attractive interactions.
- $\gamma = 1$ : Repulsive interactions.
- $|\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t)|^2$  describes atomic density in a condensate.
- **Nonlinearity** due to the interatomic interaction.

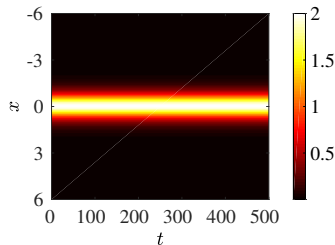
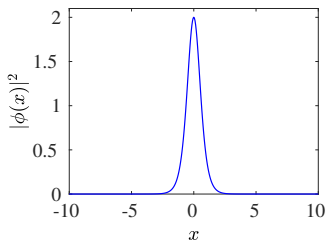
## The NLS with $V \equiv 0$ : Exact Solutions

- This is a special type of a PDE:

$$i \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \gamma |\Phi|^2 \Phi, \quad \gamma = \pm 1.$$

- Bright soliton for  $\gamma = -1$ :

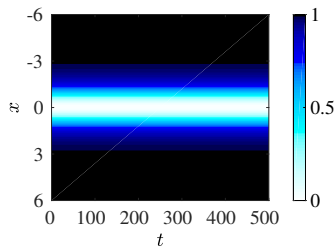
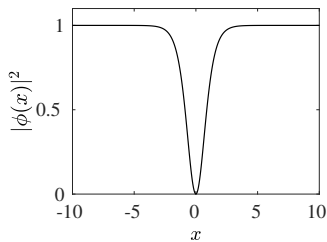
$$\Phi(x, t) = A \operatorname{sech} [A(x - x_0)] e^{i(A^2/2)t}, \quad \mu = -A^2/2.$$



# The NLS with $V \equiv 0$ : Exact Solutions

- Dark soliton for  $\gamma = 1$ :

$$\Phi(x, t) = \sqrt{\mu} \tanh[\sqrt{\mu}(x - x_0)] e^{-i\mu t}.$$



- There exist conserved quantities:

$$N = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\Phi|^2 dx \quad (\text{Number of atoms})$$

$$P = \frac{i}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (\Phi \Phi_x^* - \Phi^* \Phi_x) dx \quad (\text{Momentum})$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (|\Phi_x|^2 + \gamma |\Phi|^4) dx \quad (\text{Energy})$$

# Mathematical Analysis of BECs using the NLS Equation

- Constructing solutions to the NLS using the ansatz:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \phi(\mathbf{r})e^{-i\mu t}.$$

- Steady-state problem:

$$-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2\phi + |\phi|^2\phi + V(\mathbf{r})\phi - \mu\phi = 0.$$

- Special cases:

- The non-interacting case  $\Rightarrow |\phi|^2 \approx 0 \Rightarrow$  **Quantum Harmonic Oscillator:**

$$-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2\phi + V(\mathbf{r})\phi = \mu\phi.$$

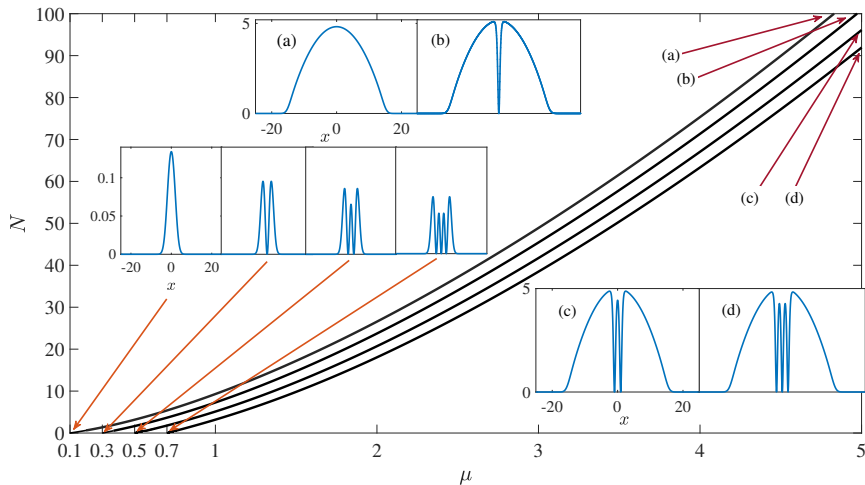
- Slow spatial variations of  $|\phi|^2$  results in  $\nabla^2\phi \approx 0 \Rightarrow$  **Thomas-Fermi limit:**

$$|\phi(\mathbf{r})|^2 = \begin{cases} \mu - V(\mathbf{r}), & \mu > V(\mathbf{r}), \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Fundamental question: What is happening between those two limits?

# Mathematical Analysis of BECs using the 1D NLS

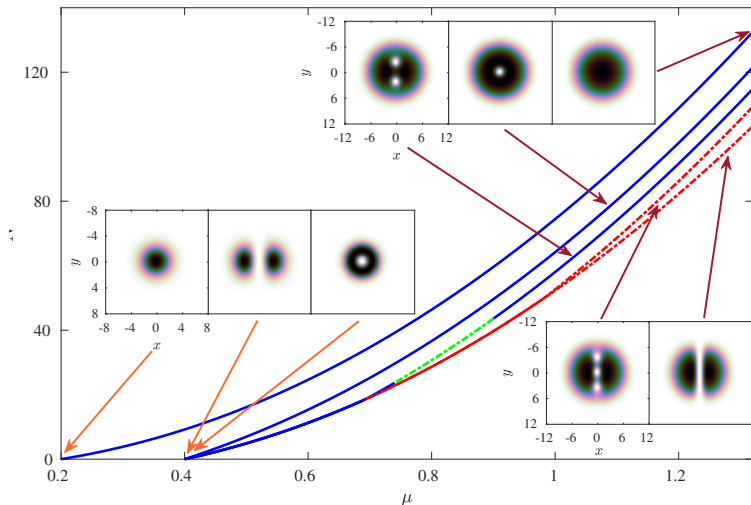
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# Mathematical Analysis of BECs using the 2D NLS

- Numerical solutions of the 2D NLS:



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# Deflated Continuation Method & Bifurcation Analysis

- Consider the time-dependent NLS:

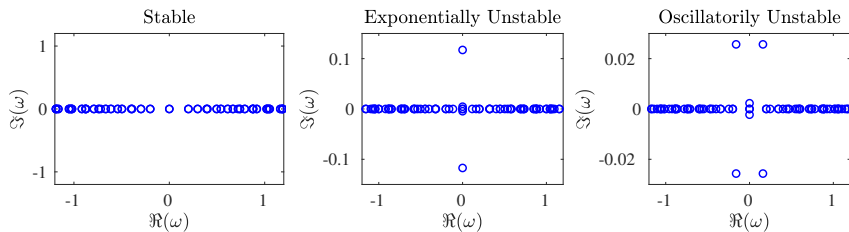
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and the **perturbation ansatz** around  $\phi_0(\mathbf{r})$ :

$$\tilde{\Phi}(\mathbf{r}, t) = e^{-i\mu t} \{ \phi_0(\mathbf{r}) + \varepsilon [ a(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\omega t} + b^*(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\omega^* t} ] \}, \quad \varepsilon \ll 1.$$

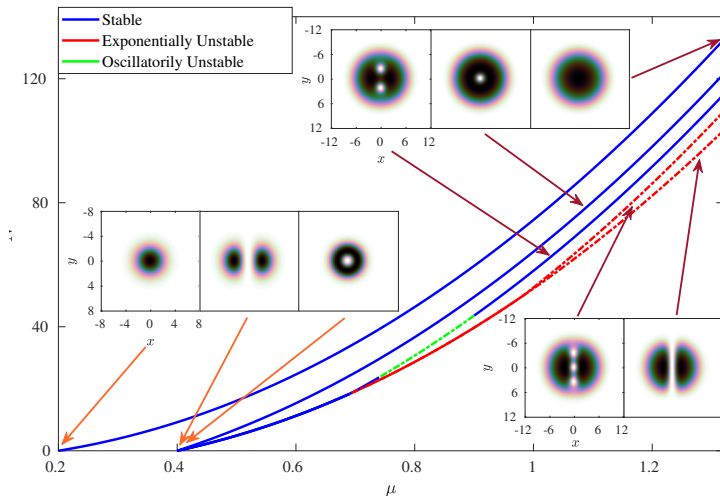
- At order  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$ , we obtain the **eigenvalue problem**:

$$\omega \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{L} & \phi_0^2 \\ -(\phi_0^2)^* & -\mathcal{L} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + 2|\phi_0|^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) - \mu.$$



# Deflated Continuation Method for the 2D NLS

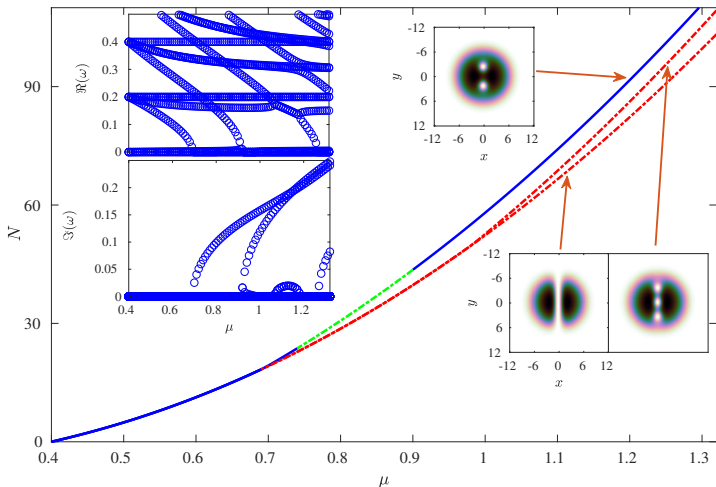
- Bifurcation Analysis: Benchmarking of the DCM.



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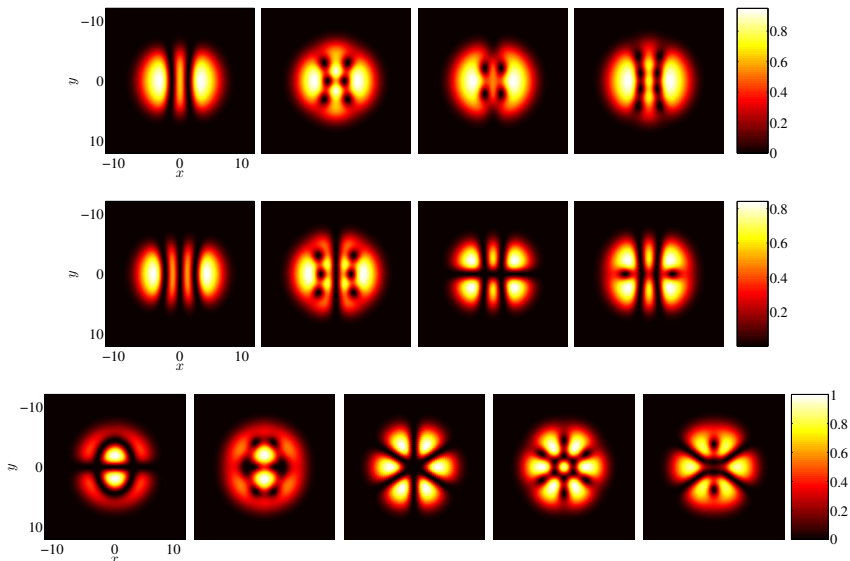
- Bifurcation Analysis: Benchmarking of the DCM [Video].



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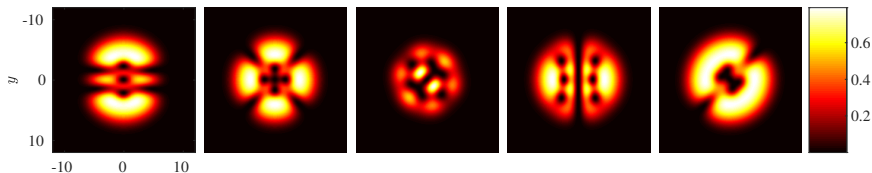
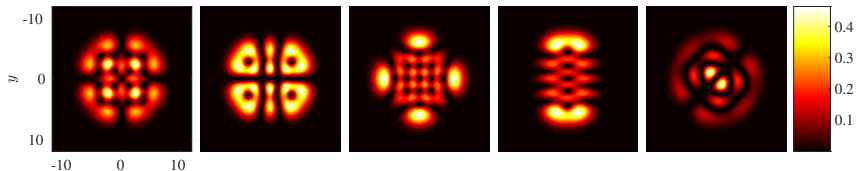
# Deflated Continuation Method for the 2D NLS

- DCM Solutions: 63 solutions found, including 15 new ones.



# DCM for the 2D NLS: Discovery of New Solutions

- Few solutions that had **not** been identified before.



- System prefers to create Vortical Patterns [Video].

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## DCM for Multicomponent NLS: The 2D case

- A two-component NLS system in 2D:

$$i \frac{\partial \Phi_-}{\partial t} = -\frac{D_-}{2} \nabla^2 \Phi_- + (g_{11} |\Phi_-|^2 + g_{12} |\Phi_+|^2) \Phi_- + V(\mathbf{r}) \Phi_- ,$$
$$i \frac{\partial \Phi_+}{\partial t} = -\frac{D_+}{2} \nabla^2 \Phi_+ + (g_{12} |\Phi_-|^2 + g_{22} |\Phi_+|^2) \Phi_+ + V(\mathbf{r}) \Phi_+ .$$

- Seeking for steady-state solutions:

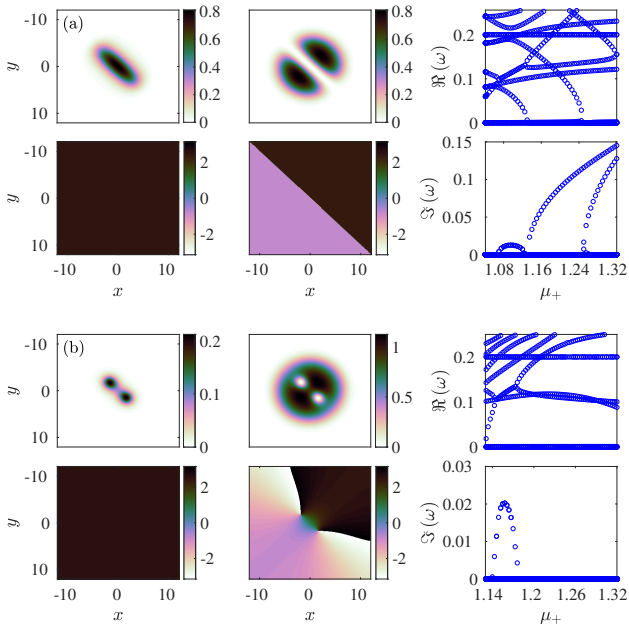
$$\Phi_{\pm}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \phi_{\pm}(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\mu_{\pm} t} .$$

- Obtain a steady-state problem:

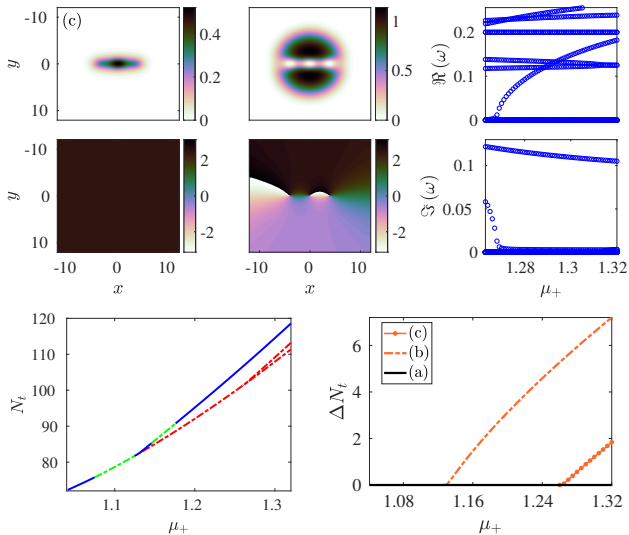
$$-\frac{D_-}{2} \nabla^2 \phi_- + (g_{11} |\phi_-|^2 + g_{12} |\phi_+|^2) \phi_- + V(\mathbf{r}) \phi_- - \mu_- \phi_- = 0 ,$$
$$-\frac{D_+}{2} \nabla^2 \phi_+ + (g_{12} |\phi_-|^2 + g_{22} |\phi_+|^2) \phi_+ + V(\mathbf{r}) \phi_+ - \mu_+ \phi_+ = 0 .$$

- Fix  $D_- = D_+ \equiv 1$ ,  $g_{11} = 1.03$ ,  $g_{22} = 0.97$ ,  $g_{12} = 1$ ,  $\mu_- = 1$ ,  $V(\mathbf{r}) = \Omega^2 |\mathbf{r}|^2 / 2$  with  $\Omega = 0.2$ .
- Continuation parameter:  $\mu_+$ .

# DCM for Multicomponent NLS: New Results

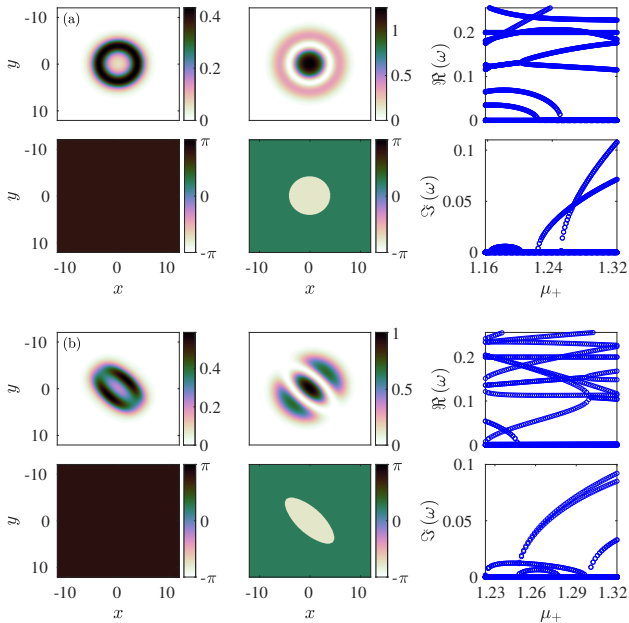


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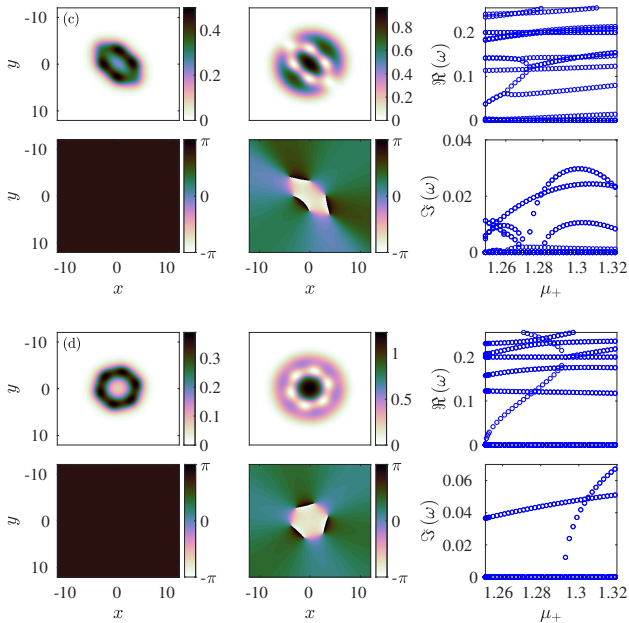




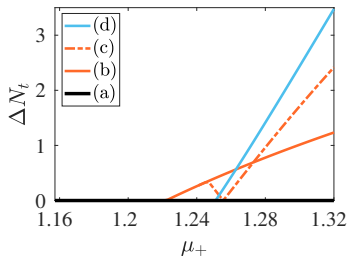
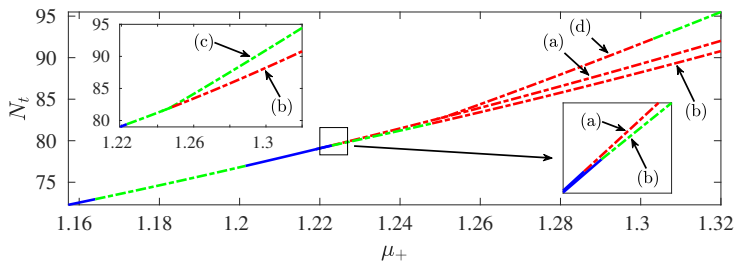
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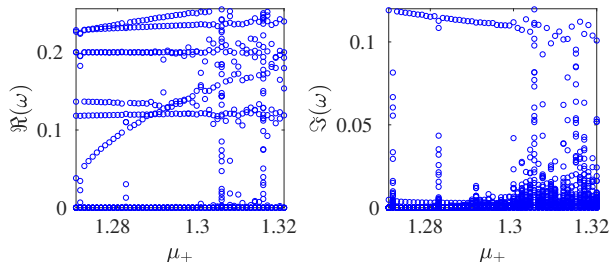


# DCM for Multicomponent NLS: New Results



# State-Of-The-Art Eigenvalue Solver: FEAST

- Stability matrix  $A$  is a  $357,604 \times 357,604$  sparse matrix containing 2,856,048 non-zero elements.
- Initially, the spectra were computed by using MATLAB's `eigs` built-in command.
- Spurious instabilities appear in the spectrum:



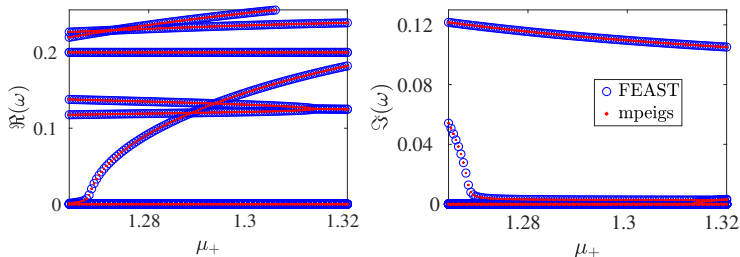
- This observation was validated by computing:

$$\frac{\|A\mathbf{W}_R - \rho\mathbf{W}_R\|_1}{\|A\|_1}.$$

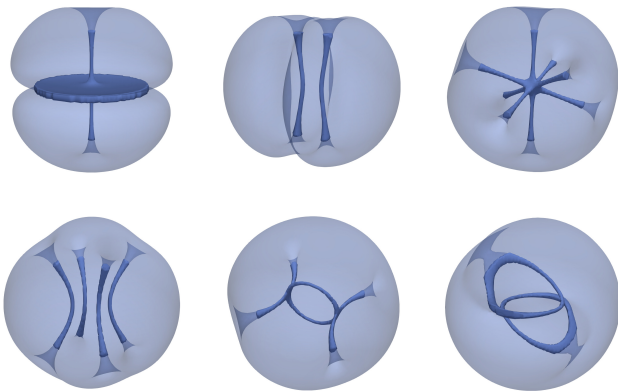
- The above formula for  $\mu_+ = 1.3105$  gives  $\approx 44.72$ .

# State-Of-The-Art Eigenvalue Solver: FEAST

- Next, we used the Multiprecision Computing Toolbox “Advantpix” with 34 digits.
- The  $l_2$ -norm for 100 eigenpairs  $(\rho, \mathbf{W}_R)$  was  $\approx 7.3 \times 10^{-18}$ .
- The computation of the spectra of a single branch (121 distinct values in  $\mu_+$ ) took  $\sim 3$  months.
- A new algorithm for solving eigenvalue problems known as **FEAST** was introduced by E. Polizzi, *Phys. Rev. B* **79**, 115112 (2009).
- FEAST combines accuracy, efficiency and robustness while exhibiting natural parallelism at multiple levels.
- Comparison between FEAST and Multiprecision Computing Toolbox:



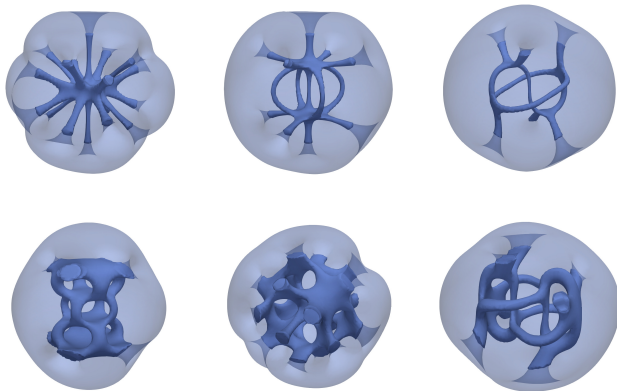
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[Video (VR + VL “handles”)]

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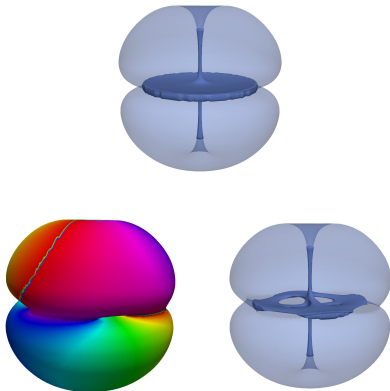
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[Video (5VLs + 2VRs)] [Video (S-VR type)]

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# Multicomponent NLS systems: Using PS in 3D

- Spinor 3D BECs:

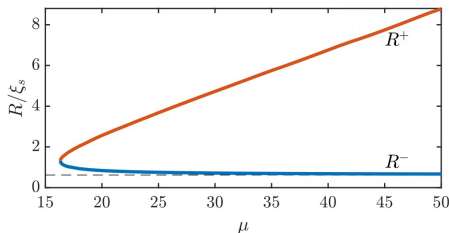
$$i \frac{\partial \psi_{+1}}{\partial t} = \mathcal{H} \psi_{+1} + c_2(|\psi_0|^2 + F_z) \psi_{+1} + c_2 \psi_{-1}^* \psi_0^2,$$

$$i \frac{\partial \psi_0}{\partial t} = \mathcal{H} \psi_0 + c_2(|\psi_{+1}|^2 + |\psi_{-1}|^2) \psi_0 + 2c_2 \psi_0^* \psi_{+1} \psi_{-1},$$

$$i \frac{\partial \psi_{-1}}{\partial t} = \mathcal{H} \psi_{-1} + c_2(|\psi_0|^2 - F_z) \psi_{-1} + c_2 \psi_{+1}^* \psi_0^2,$$

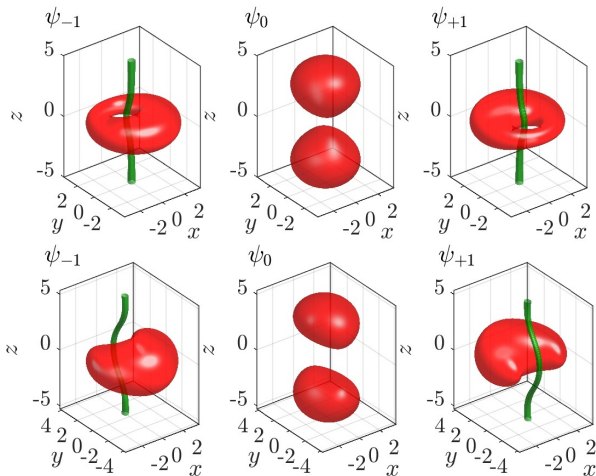
$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) + c_0 \sum_{m=-1}^1 |\psi_m|^2.$$

- A saddle-center bifurcation was found through pseudo-arclength continuation:



# Multicomponent 3D NLS systems: New Solutions

- Two Alice-Ring solutions were found using pseudo-arclength continuation:



[M. Thudiyangal, R. Carretero-González, EGC, D.S. Hall, P.G. Kevrekidis, PRA (2022)]

## New Challenges and Future Research Directions

- Existing tools for bifurcation analysis of complex nonlinear systems may fail to detect disconnected branches of solutions.
- The DCM can become a robust computational tool for discovering new solutions and studying their bifurcations and stability.
- **Proposed Project:** Bifurcation Tools in FreeFEM++ for Robust Bifurcation and Stability Analysis of Complex Nonlinear Systems.
- Implementation of DCM in FreeFEM++ with domain-decomposition techniques in parallel computing platforms.
- Implementation of pseudo-arclength & Induced Dimension Reduction method (IDR) in FreeFEM++. It outperforms BI-CGSTAB!
- Integrate the state-of-the art FEAST eigenvalue solver for solving extremely large yet ill-conditioned eigenvalue problems.
- Ongoing collaboration with the Numerical Analysis group in Rouen of Prof. Ionut Danaila & Dr. Georges Sadaka, and with the experimental group of Prof. David Hall (Physics & Astronomy, Amherst College).

# New Challenges and Future Research Directions

- Experimental results on a five-component 3D NLS system:



Credit: Prof. David Hall (Physics & Astronomy, Amherst College)

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# The QHO in 2D: Cartesian Coordinates

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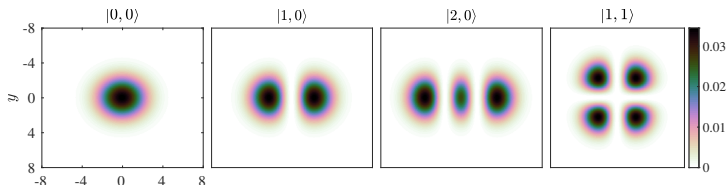
$$-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2\phi(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{1}{2}\Omega^2(x^2 + y^2)\phi(\mathbf{r}) = E\phi(\mathbf{r}), \quad \mathbf{r} = \langle x, y \rangle.$$

- Upon writing  $\phi(\mathbf{r}) = X(x)Y(y)$ , we obtain two 1D QHO equations:

$$\boxed{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{d^2X}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{2}\Omega^2x^2X = E_mX}, \quad \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{d^2Y}{dy^2} + \frac{1}{2}\Omega^2y^2Y = E_nY},$$

where  $E_m = (m + 1/2)\Omega$  and  $E_n = (n + 1/2)\Omega \Rightarrow \boxed{E_{m,n} = (m + n + 1)\Omega}$ .

- Density  $|\phi_{m,n}|^2$  of solutions:



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