# **Density and phase correlations**

# in dilute condensates after a quantum quench PRA, accepted (2019)



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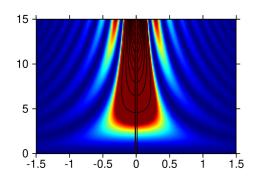


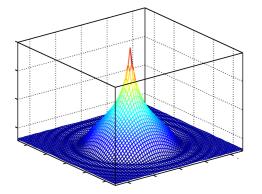


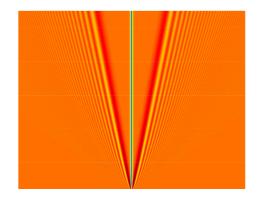




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### Outline

- Motivation
- Outline of the calculation
- Results
- Prospects for experimental observation
- Extension to broader cases



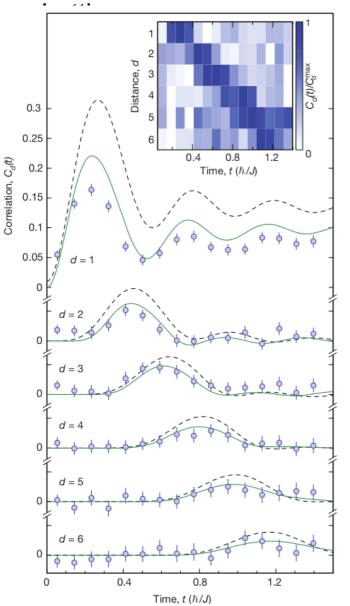
### Quantum quench

- Sudden (non-adiabatic) global change in system parameters
- Building block of more complicated dynamics
- Examples in ultracold gases:
  - Rapid jump in g (Feshbach resonance)
  - Rapid jump in transverse trap frequency (low-dimensional gases)
  - Rapid jump in magnetic field (spinor gas)
  - Rapid jump in density
  - Rapid appearance of condensate
- Produces: waves, correlations, entanglement
- Types
- Weak
- Strong
- Across phase transition

$$g_{1D} \approx \frac{g}{2\pi l_{\perp}^2} = 2\hbar a_s \omega_{\perp}$$



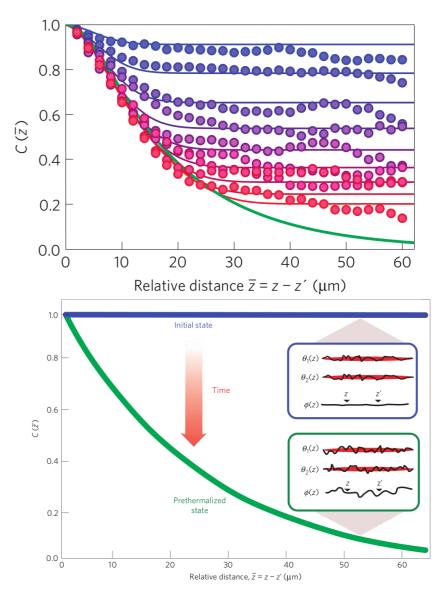
### Some experiments



Parity correlations. Mott insulator U/J:  $40 \rightarrow 9$ 

Cheneau, Barmettler, Poletti, Endres, Schauss, Fukuhara, Gross, Bloch, Kollath, Khur, Nature **481**, 484 (2012)

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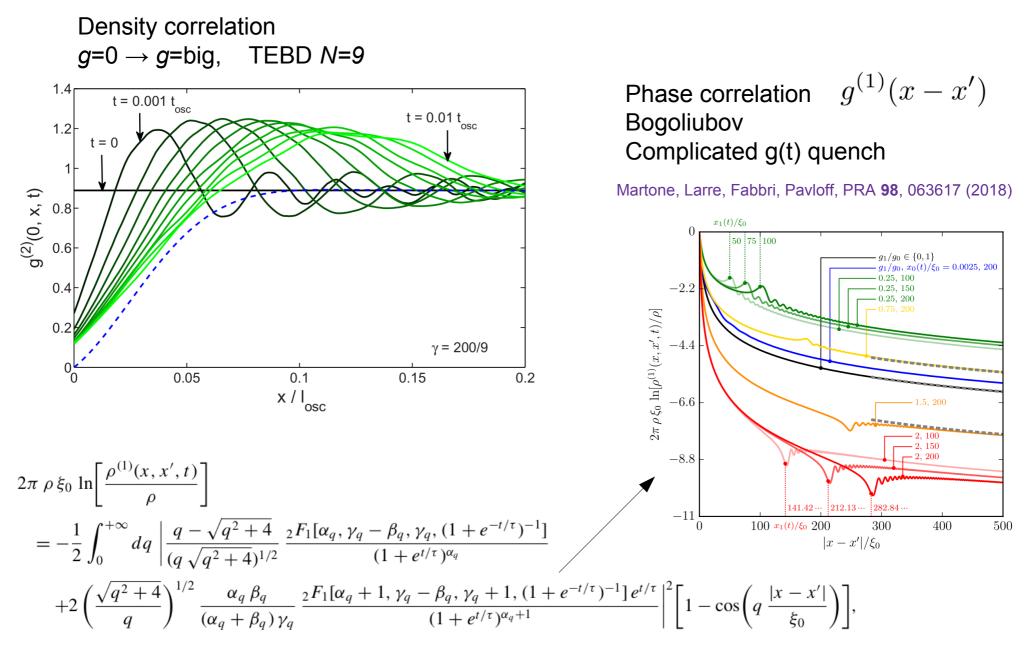
#### Phase correlations. Splitting of two thermal 1d clouds

Langen, Gaiger, Kuhnert, Rauer, Schmiedmayer, Nature Phys. **9**, 640 (2013)



### Some representative theory examples

Muth, Schmidt, Fleischhauer, NJP 12, 083065 (2010)



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### Our aim: fill a gap in theory

- Continuum, weak case
  - Not analyzed much, but
  - Should be present in many existing experiments!
  - Generally avoided because not treatable by a smallish lattice or MPS
- Simple expressions
  - Most results to date were numerical or complicated forms
- Compare 1d, 2d, 3d
  - Most studies were in 1d for the usual reasons



### Simplest useful model

- Uniform gas
  - Can in principle use LDA
- Dilute
- e.g. small Lieb-Liniger parameter  $\ \gamma = rac{g_{1D}}{
  ho} \,$  or gas parameter  $\ na^3$

$$\widehat{H} = \int d^d \mathbf{x} \left\{ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \widehat{\Psi}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla^2 \widehat{\Psi}(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{g}{2} \widehat{\Psi}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{x})^2 \widehat{\Psi}(\mathbf{x})^2 \right\}$$

• T=0

- gotta start from something
- Coherent region
  - $\rightarrow$  can use Bogoliubov

$$\widehat{\Psi}(x) = \phi_0(x)\,\widehat{a}_0 + \delta\widehat{\Psi}(x)$$

- Start from g=0
  - same reason as with T=0 ;-)
  - Can easily write down the initial state



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Introduce physically relevant units

$$\hbar = 1,$$
  $\xi = \hbar / \sqrt{2mg\overline{n}}$ 

Obtain time units - "healing time"  $t_{\xi} = \frac{\hbar}{g\overline{n}}$ 

Only <u>one relevant parameter</u>  $\gamma = \left(\frac{m g \overline{n}}{\hbar^2}\right)^a \frac{1}{\overline{n}^2}$ 

$$\widehat{H} = -J\sum_{i,j}\widehat{a}_i^{\dagger}\widehat{a}_j + \frac{U}{2}\sum_i\widehat{a}_i^{\dagger}\widehat{a}_i^{\dagger}\widehat{a}_i\widehat{a}_i$$
$$U = \sqrt{\gamma}/(\Delta v)$$
$$J = 1/[2(\Delta v)^{2/d}]$$

Will take  $\Delta v \rightarrow 0$ 

# Bogoliubov approximation for $\gamma << 1$

$$\begin{split} \text{Define} & \widehat{\Psi}(x) = \phi_0(x)\,\widehat{a}_0 + \delta\widehat{\Psi}(x) \\ \text{Assume} & \delta N = \int dx\,\langle\delta\widehat{\Psi}^\dagger(x)\delta\widehat{\Psi}(x)\rangle & << & N \\ \text{Number-conserving operator} & \widehat{\Lambda}(x) = \frac{\widehat{a}_0}{\sqrt{N_0}}\,\delta\widehat{\Psi}(x). & \thickapprox & \delta\widehat{\Psi}(x) \\ \text{Replace} & \delta\widehat{\Psi}(x) \to \widehat{\Lambda}(x) & \text{In Hamiltonian} \\ \text{Basis} & \widehat{\Lambda}(x,t) = \sum_{k\neq 0} \left[\widehat{b}_k(t)u_k(x) + \widehat{b}_k^\dagger(t)v_k^*(x)\right] \end{split}$$

Keep only terms O(  $\leq$  2 ) in  $~\widehat{\Lambda}(x)~~:~~\widehat{H}={\rm const.}+\sum\omega_k\widehat{b}_k^\dagger\widehat{b}_k$  $k \neq 0$ 

Basis



 $\widehat{\Lambda}(x,t) = \sum \left| \widehat{b}_k(t) u_k(x) + \widehat{b}_k^{\dagger}(t) v_k^*(x) \right|$ So, with  $\widehat{b}_k(t) = \widehat{b}_k(0) e^{-i\omega_k t}$ Solution:  $u_k(x) = \frac{U_k}{\sqrt{L}} e^{ikx}$  $v_k(x) = \frac{V_k}{\sqrt{L}} e^{ikx}$  $\omega_k = \sqrt{\frac{k^2}{2} \left(\frac{k^2}{2} + 1\right)}$  $2\begin{pmatrix} U_k\\V_k \end{pmatrix} = \left[\frac{k^2}{k^2+2}\right]^{1/4} \begin{pmatrix} +\\ - \end{pmatrix} \left[\frac{k^2+2}{k^2}\right]^{1/4}$ 

$$\text{Recall } \delta \widehat{\Psi} \to \widehat{\Lambda} \quad \text{ and } \quad \widehat{\Lambda}(x,t) = \sum_{k \neq 0} \left[ \widehat{b}_k(t) u_k(x) + \widehat{b}_k^{\dagger}(t) v_k^*(x) \right]$$

Now, invert 
$$\widehat{b}_k(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_0}} \left[ U_k \widehat{a}_k(0) \,\widehat{a}_0^{\dagger} - V_k \widehat{a}_{-k}^{\dagger}(0) \,\widehat{a}_0 \right]$$

In terms of momentum space modes (plane waves)  $\widehat{a}_k(0)$ 

Initial state  $|I\rangle$  had vacuum in all excited modes  $\widehat{a}_k(0)|I\rangle = \langle I|\widehat{a}_k^{\dagger}(0) = 0 \qquad \forall k \neq 0.$ 

Commutation relations

$$\left[\widehat{a}_k, \widehat{a}_m^{\dagger}\right] = \delta_{km}$$

.... now substitute and grind algebra



# Spatial correlations

$$g^{(1)}(y,t) = \frac{\langle \widehat{a}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r})\widehat{a}(\mathbf{r}')\rangle}{\overline{n}\Delta v}$$
$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2\overline{n}V} \sum_{\mathbf{k}\neq 0} \frac{1}{\omega_k^2} \left[1 - \cos 2\omega_k t - \cos \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{y} + \cos(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{y} + 2\omega_k t)\right]$$

$$g^{(2)}(y,t) = \frac{\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{a}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}') \hat{a}(\mathbf{r}') \hat{a}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle}{(\overline{n} \Delta v)^{2}}$$
$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2\overline{n}V} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} \frac{k^{2}}{\omega_{k}^{2}} \left[ \cos \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{y} - \cos(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{y} + 2\omega_{k}t) \right]$$

$$\omega_k = k \sqrt{1 + k^2/4}$$



$$g^{(1)}(y,t) = 1 - \sqrt{\gamma} \int_0^\infty dk \left(\frac{1 - \cos 2\omega_k t}{k^2 + 4}\right) \frac{1 - M_d}{a_d \, k^{3-d}}$$

$$g^{(2)}(y,t) = 1 - \sqrt{\gamma} \int_0^\infty dk \left(\frac{1 - \cos 2\omega_k t}{k^2 + 4}\right) \frac{M_d k^{d-1}}{a_d}$$

$$M_{d} = \begin{cases} \cos ky & \text{for } d = 1 \\ J_{0}[k|y|] & \text{for } d = 2, \\ \frac{\sin ky}{ky} & \text{for } d = 3 \end{cases} \quad a_{d} = \begin{cases} \pi/2 & \text{for } d = 1 \\ \pi & \text{for } d = 2 \\ \pi^{2} & \text{for } d = 3 \end{cases}$$

Convenient single-dimensional integrals



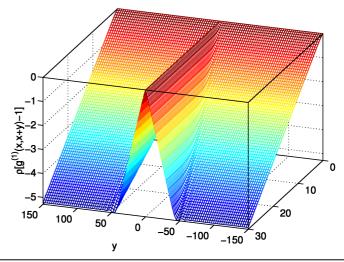
# Quantum depletion

$$\delta N \approx \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k \neq 0} \left( \frac{\sin \omega_k t}{\omega_k} \right)^2$$

$$\frac{\delta N(t)}{N} \approx \sqrt{\gamma} \times \begin{cases} \frac{4t-1}{8} & \text{for } d=1\\ \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( c_1 + \log t \right) & \text{for } d=2\\ \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( 1 + c_2 e^{-c_3 t} \right) & \text{for } d=3 \end{cases}$$

1d, 2d: only correct as long as depletion is small

$$g_{\rm spacelike}^{(1)}(y,t) \approx 1 - \delta N(t)/N$$





### Stationary state is not the ground state

3d

stationary state after quench:

$$\delta N/N = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma}}{4\pi} \approx 0.080\sqrt{\gamma}$$

ground state:

$$\delta N/N = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma}}{3\pi^2} \approx 0.034\sqrt{\gamma}$$

1d

stationary state after quench:

$$g^{(2)}(0) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\gamma}$$

ground state:

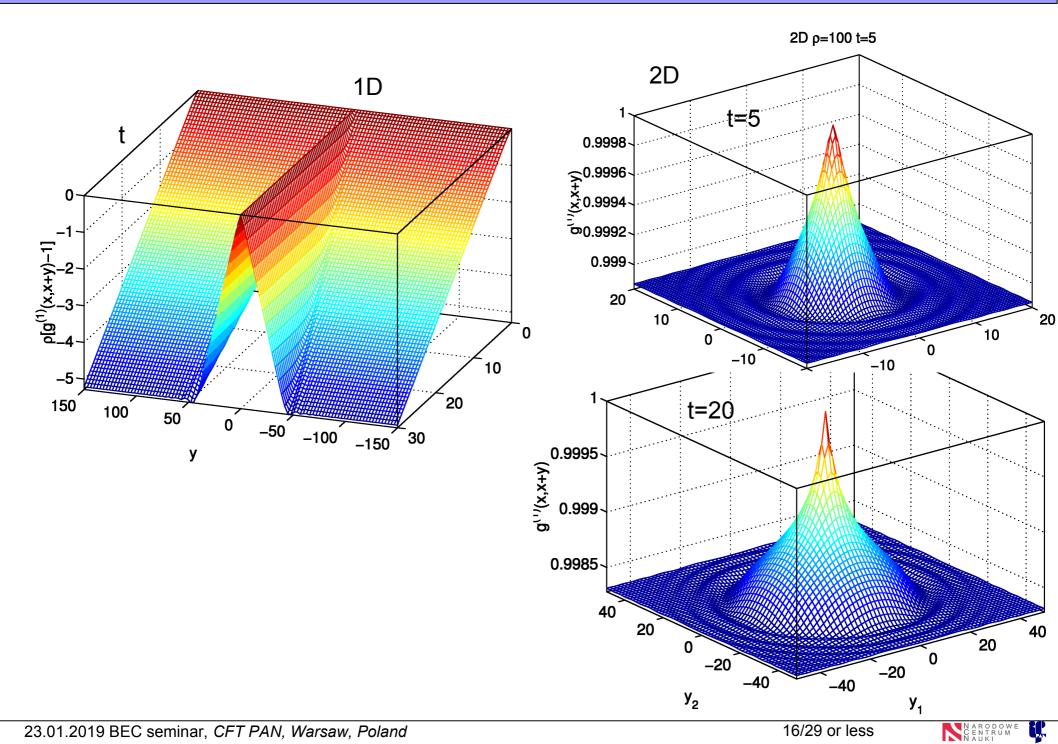
$$g^{(2)}(0) = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi}\sqrt{\gamma} \approx 1 - 0.637\sqrt{\gamma}$$

DeNardis, Wouters, Brockman, Caux, PRA 89, 033601 (2014)

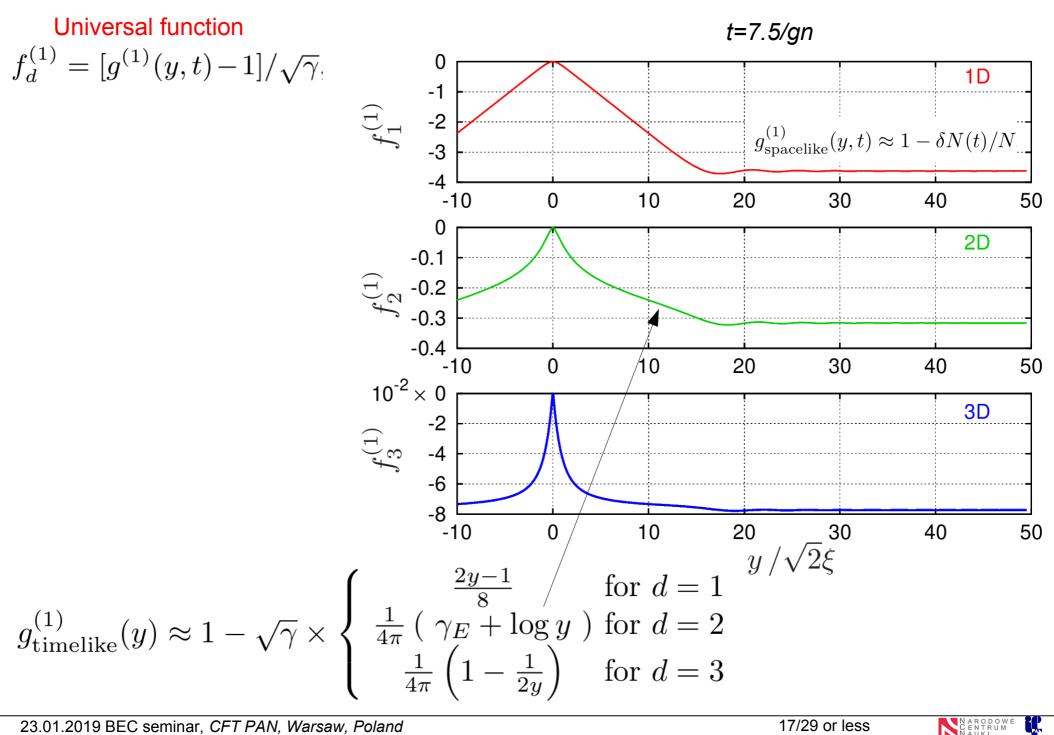
Found state after quench That was neither thermal nor Generalized Gibbs Ensemble (GGE)



# g<sup>(1)</sup>(y,t) phase correlations

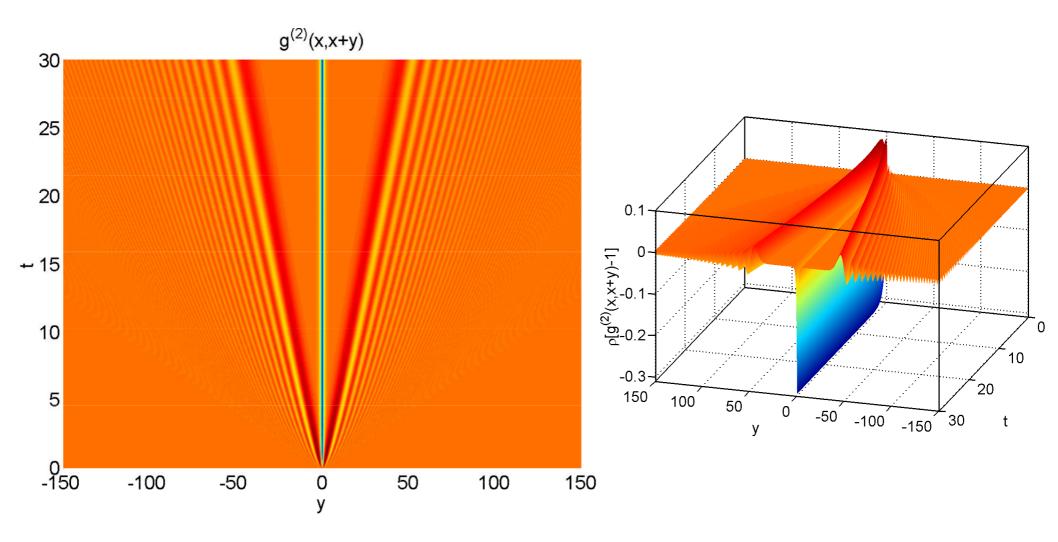


Spatial g<sup>(1)</sup>(y,t)

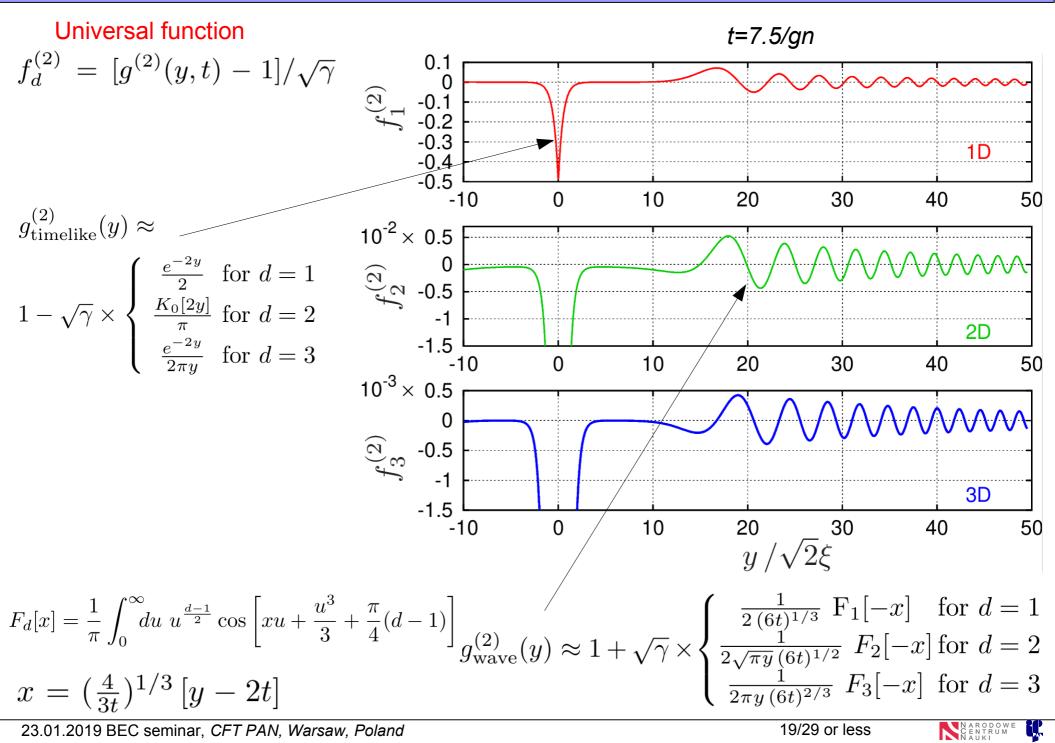


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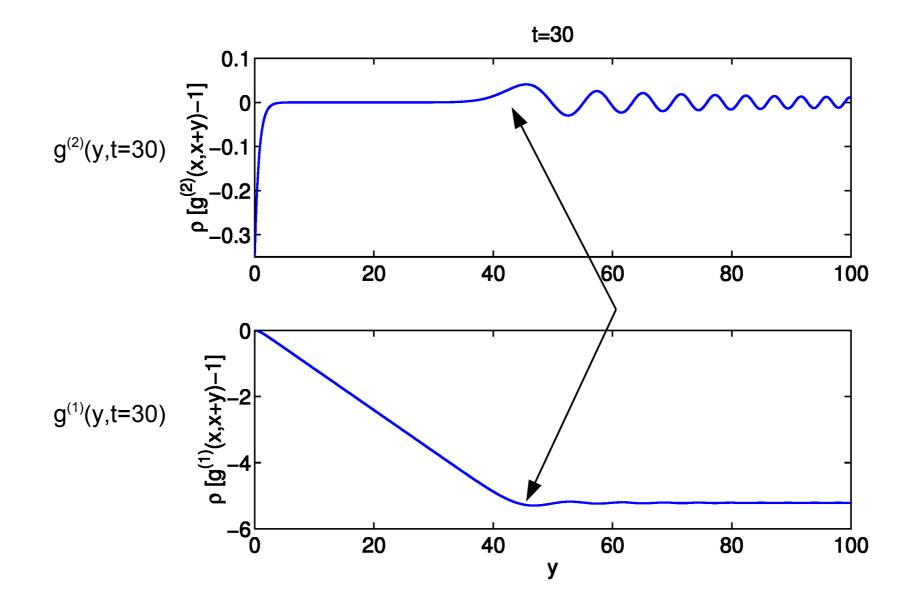
# g<sup>(2)</sup>(y,t) density correlations



Spatial g<sup>(2)</sup>(y,t)



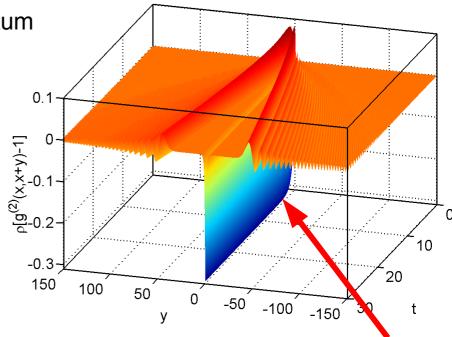
### Match between features in density and phase



# Local g<sup>(2)</sup>(0,t) density fluctuations

At long times, depends strongly on allowable momentum

$$g_{\text{timelike}}^{(2)}(0) = \frac{\frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \frac{k_{\text{max}}}{2}}{1 - \sqrt{\gamma}} \quad \text{for } d = 1$$
$$1 - \sqrt{\gamma} \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\pi} \log\left(1 + \frac{k_{\text{max}}^2}{4}\right) & \text{for } d = 2\\ \frac{1}{\pi^2} \left(k_{\text{max}} - 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{k_{\text{max}}}{2}\right) & \text{for } d = 3 \end{cases}$$



Time dependence of quench onset in 1d

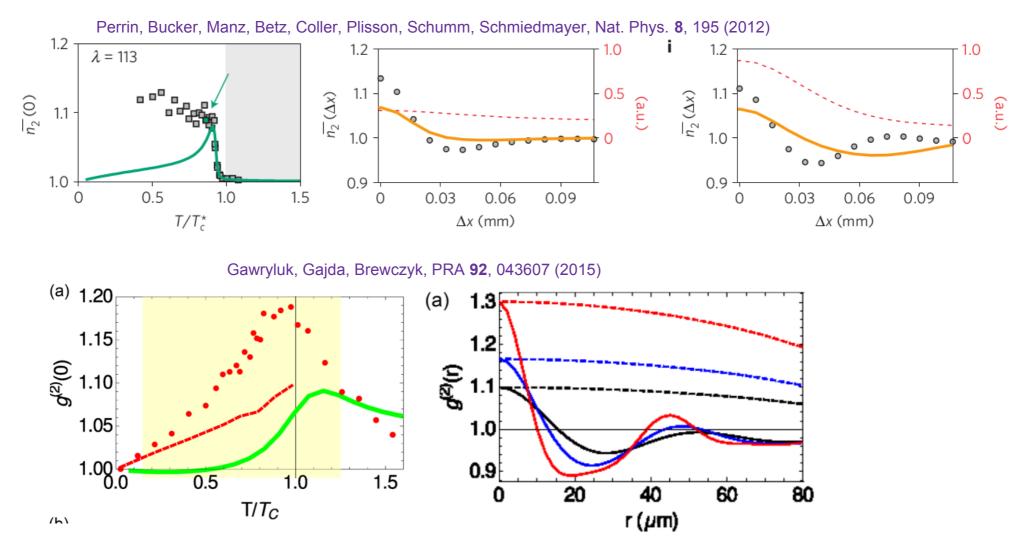
$$g^{(2)}(0) \approx 1 - \sqrt{\gamma} \times \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{t} - \frac{1}{2}t^{3/2} & \text{for } t \lesssim \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\frac{k_{\max}}{2} - \frac{c_2 e^{-c_3 t}}{2t^{c_4}} & \text{for } t \gtrsim \frac{1}{4} \end{cases}$$
$$c_2 = 0.35(1), c_3 = 2.05(1) \text{ and } c_4 = 0.33(2)$$



### Observability of density correlations *in situ*

- Would be nicer than after expansion..
- e.g. would not have so many interpretation problems...

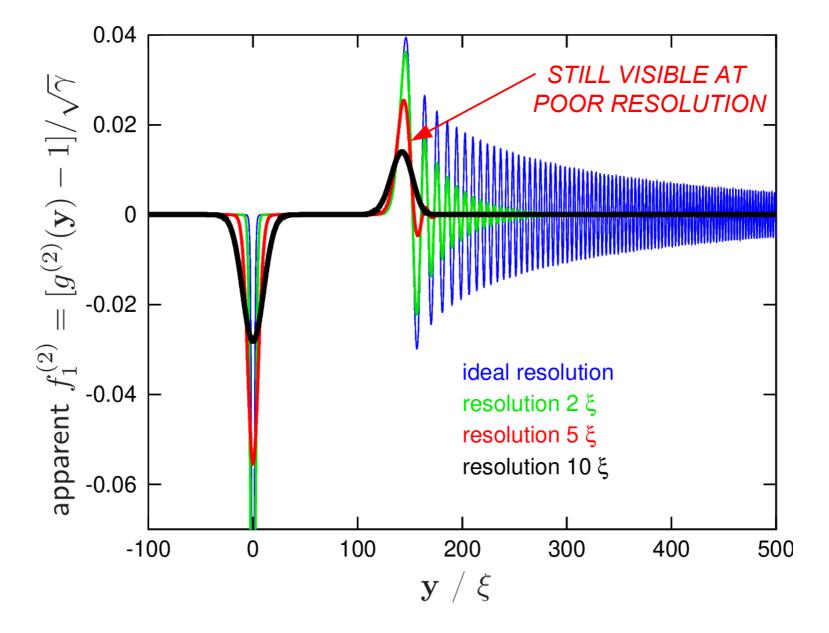
example: density correlations after expansion from an elongated gas



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### Resolution and detectability of wavefront

The issue: most structures are of healing length  $\xi$  size, but experiments do not resolve this





### Some estimates

• Example experiment (Palaiseau)

Jacqmin, Armijo, Berrada, Kheruntsyan, Bouchoule, PRL **106**, 230405 (2011) Schemmer, Bouchoule, Doyon, Dubail, arXiv:1810.07170 (2018)

- 87Rb
- 1200 atoms
- 4.5um resolution
- Trap 4 x 3900 x 3900 Hz
- Best visibility:
  - Correlation wave travels a distance of RTF, In ~ peak density
    - t=28ms (80 healing time units)
    - Peak width 3.9um
    - Height 0.006
    - Need to average ~ 2500 realizations
  - More density is not necessarily better
- Other cases, e.g. Langen, Gaiger, Kuhnert, Rauer, Schmiedmayer, Nature Phys. 9, 640 (2013) are roughly similar, needing 1400 4000 realizations

 $w_{\rm rms} = 1.802 \times t^{1/3}$  $h_{\rm peak} = 0.1474 \times \sqrt{\gamma}/t^{1/3}$ 

### More realistic quasicondensate

- Real quasicondensates do not form in an ideal gas, but with g > 0
- Real quasicondensates have thermal-dominated phase fluctuations
- Testing of this is in progress...
  - Start with classical field ensemble with g > 0 T > 0
  - Evolve using positive-P and truncated Wigner to
    - Get true quench dynamics including thermal and quantum fluct
    - Check their accuracy against each other
  - Compare to predictions of this work
- Note that as distance grows one generically expects:

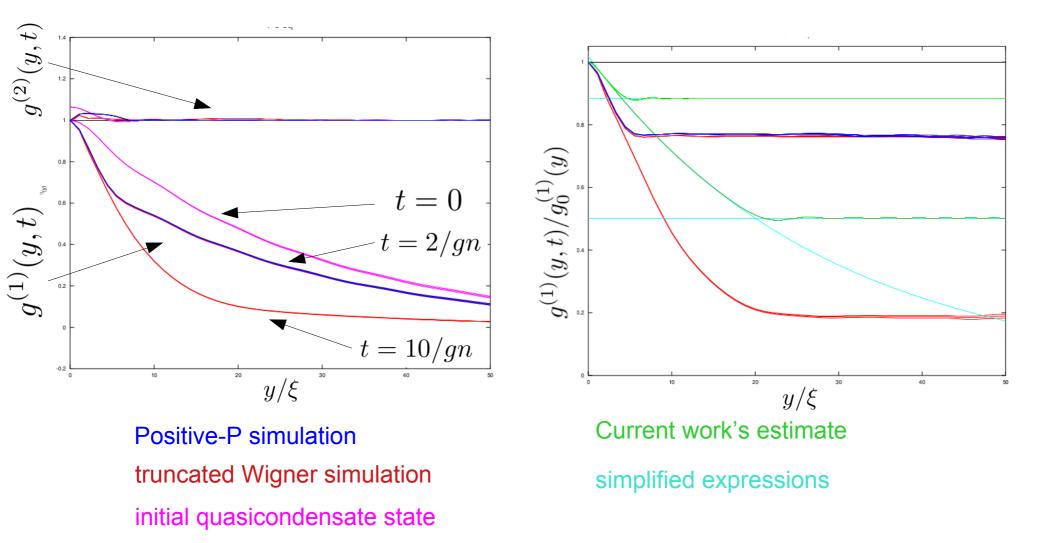
$$g^{(1)}(y) = \exp\left[g^{(1)}_{\text{Bogoliubov}}(y) - 1\right]$$

Mora, Castin, PRA 67, 053615 (2003)

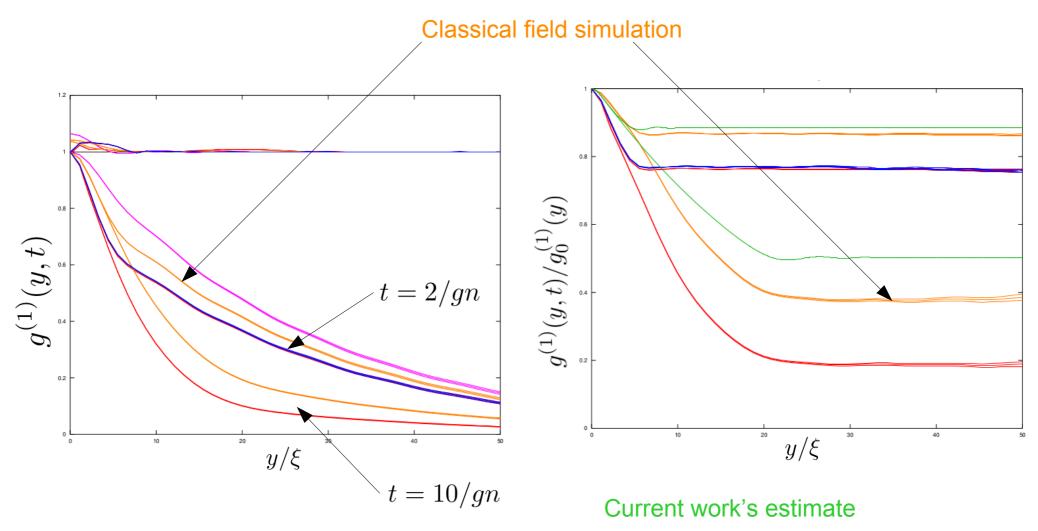


### Naïve comparison

• Quench from  $g_0 \rightarrow 4g_0$ 



### Classical correlations induced by quench?

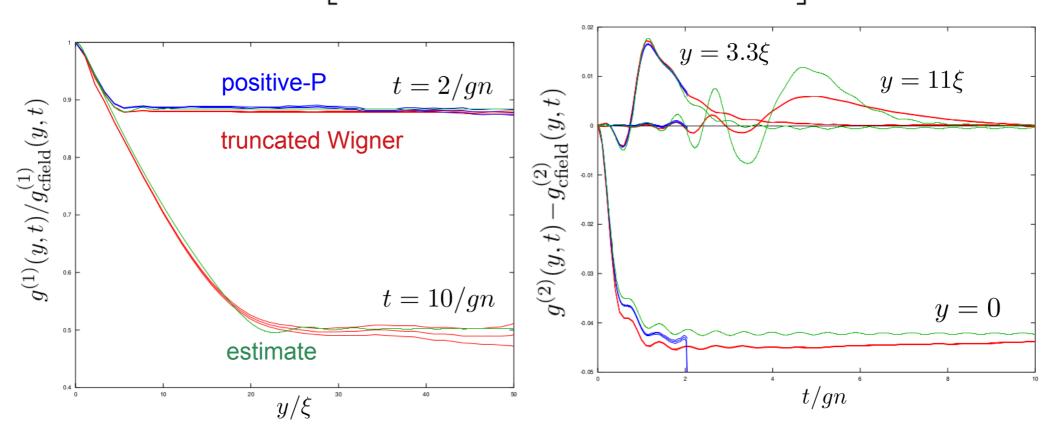


Positive-P simulation truncated Wigner simulation initial quasicondensate state



### Proper relationship

$$g^{(n)}(y,t) = \exp\left[g^{(n)}_{\text{cfield}}(y,t) + \delta g^{(n)}_{\text{thiswork}}(y,t)\right]$$





### **Conclusions / Outlook**

• MAIN RESULT:

Simple expressions for phase and density correlations after a quench

(those due to quantum fluctuations)

NEXT:

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Interplay with existing and/or classical correlations could be quantified

- existing thermal correlations
- sound wave excitations
- correlations due to nonzero starting g
- Prospects for observability of density correlations in situ probably only in 1d for a really dilute gas
- Related systems that could be treated spinor, g < 0, ...?</li>

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