

# Colliding Polaronic Clouds Immersed in a Fermi Sea

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# Self-introduction -Hiroyuki Tajima-



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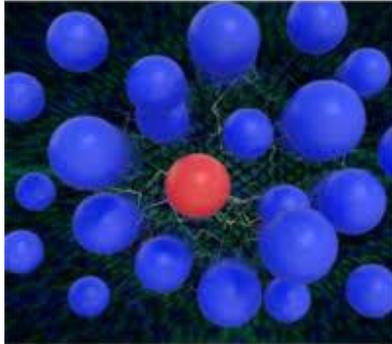
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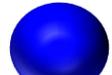
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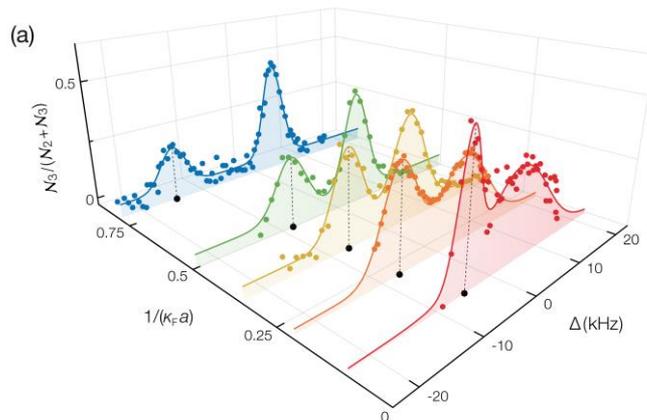
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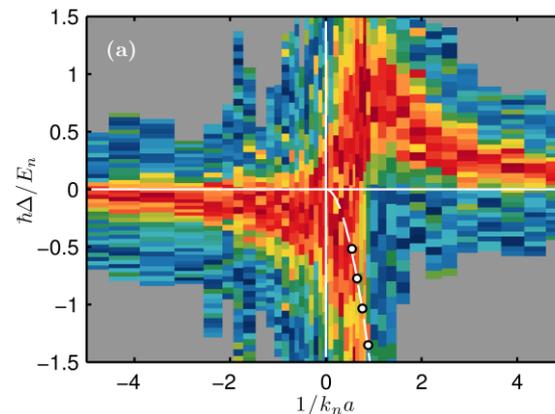
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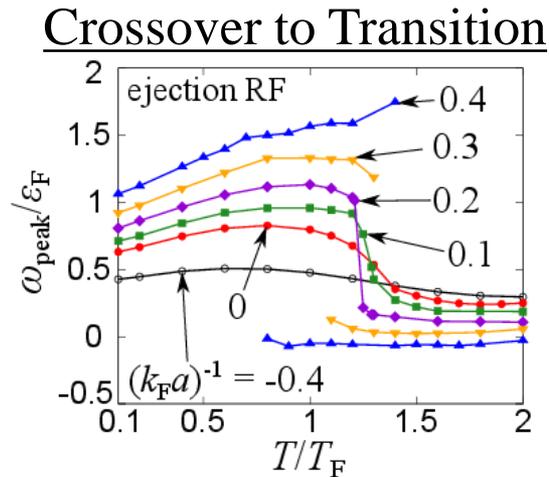
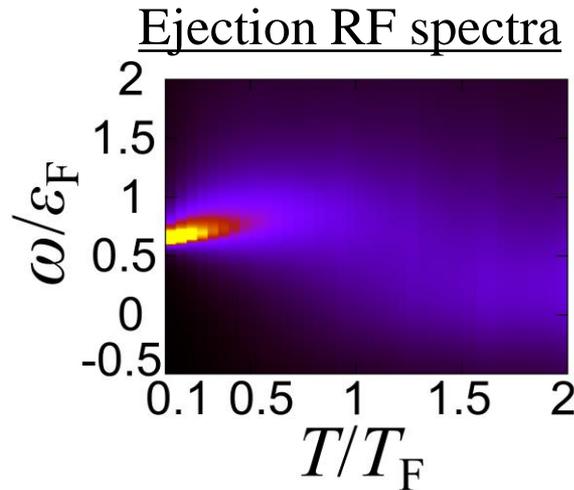
# Thermal evolution of Fermi polarons

HT and S. Uchino Phys. Rev. A **99**, 063606 (2019).

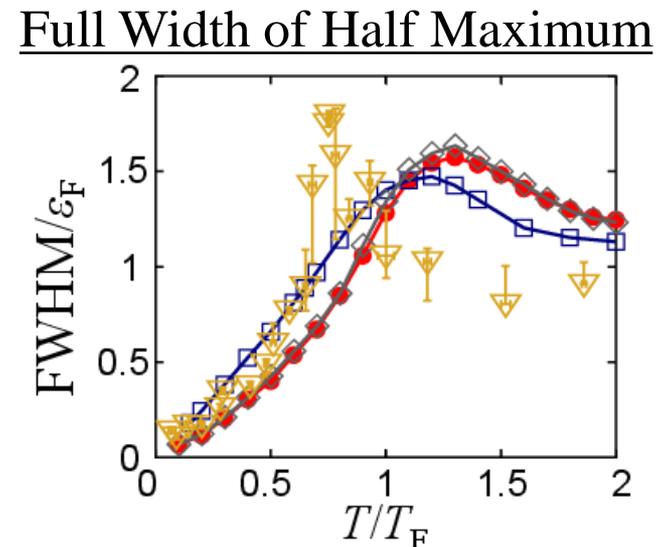
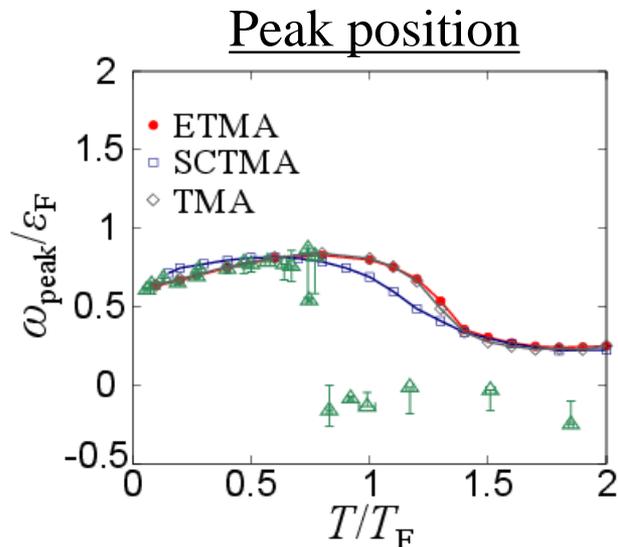
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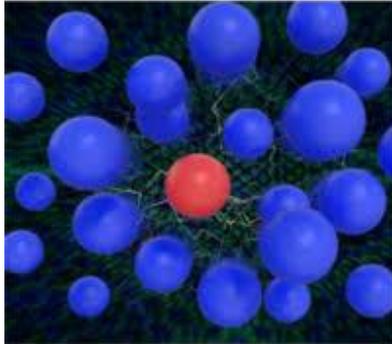
Comparison with experiments at unitarity [Yan, Phys. Rev. Lett. **122**, 093401 (2019).]

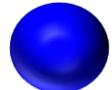


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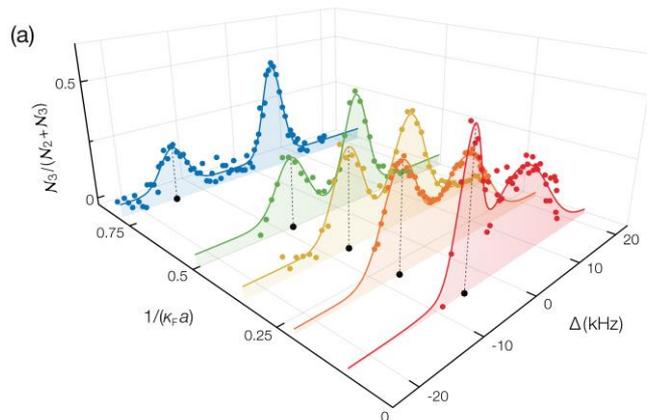
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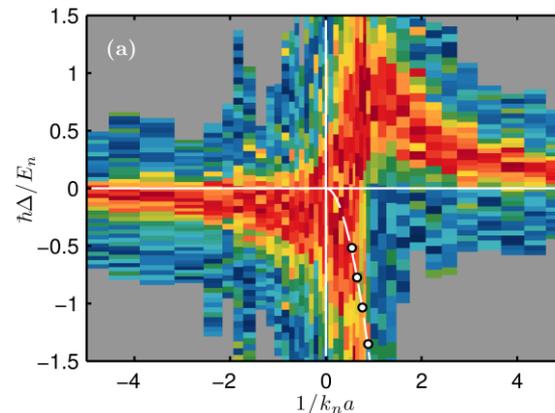
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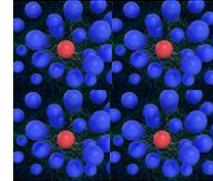


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# Hierarchical Physics of Quantum Impurities

Higher hierarchy

How do many polarons behave?

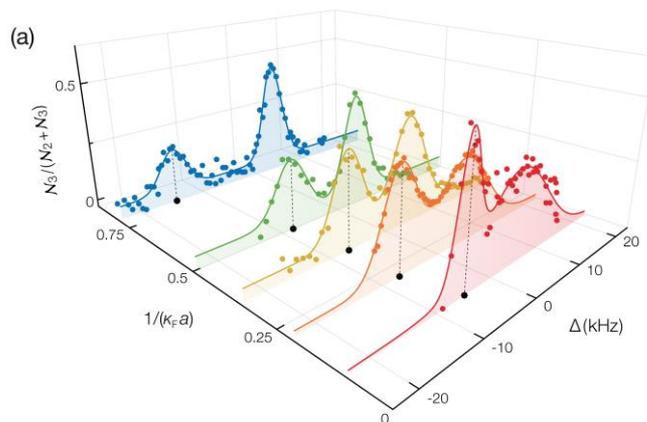


Lower hierarchy

How is a polaron formed in Fermi sea or BEC?

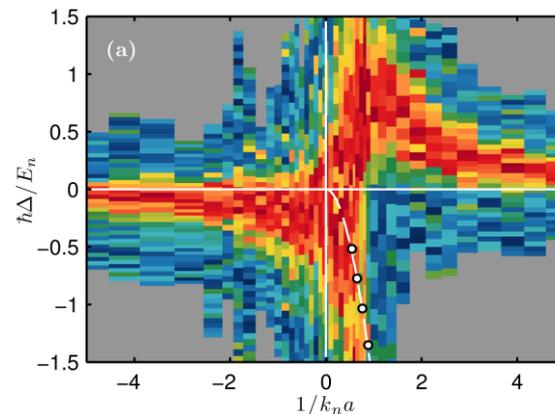


Fermi polaron spectra



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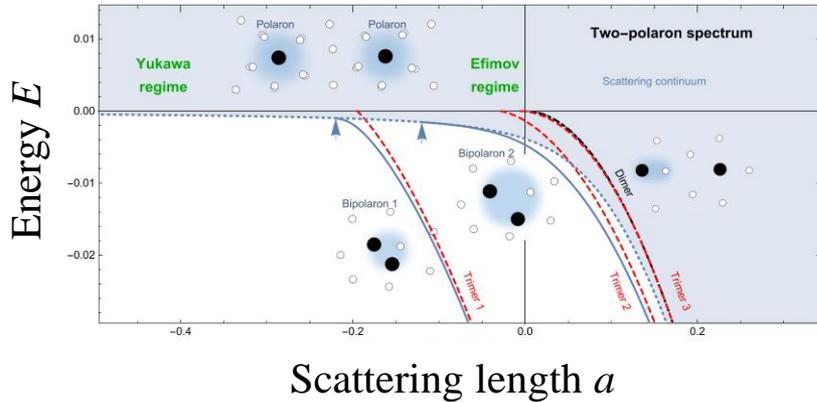
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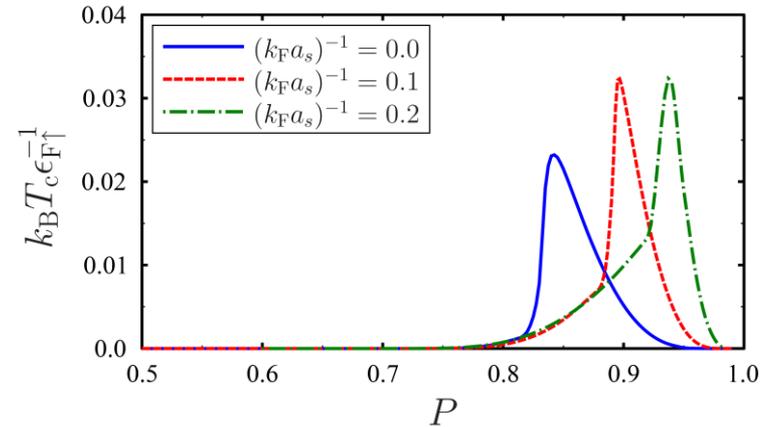
# “Many-body Physics of Polarons”

## Bipolaron and Efimov effects in BEC



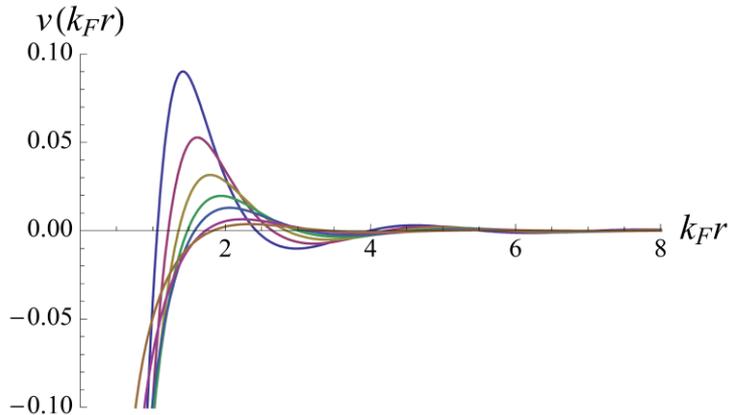
P. Naidon, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. **87**, 043002 (2018)

## $P$ -wave superfluid of Fermi polarons



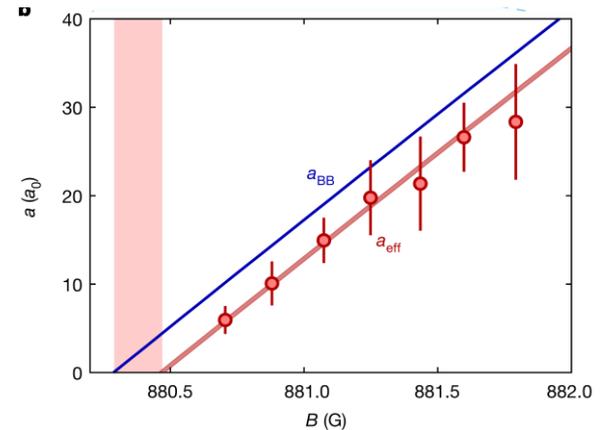
K. R. Patton, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. A **83**, 051607(R) (2011).

## RKKY interaction between two heavy fermions



Y. Nishida, Phys. Rev. A **79**, 013629 (2009).

## Fermion-mediated interaction in Cs-Li mixture

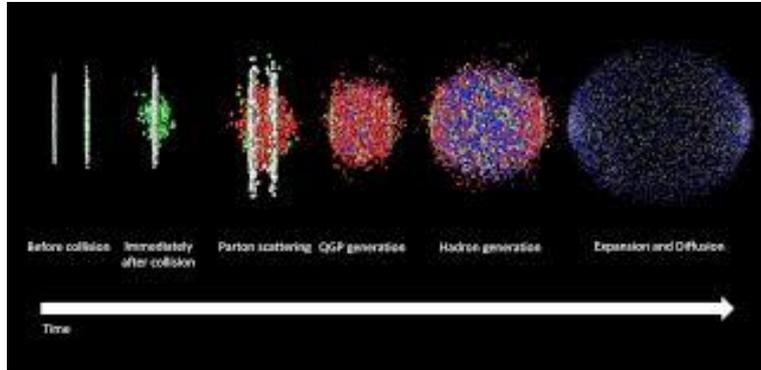


B. J. DeSalvo, *et al.*, Nature **568**, 61 (2019).

# What happens if two polaronic clouds collide?

In nuclear physics...

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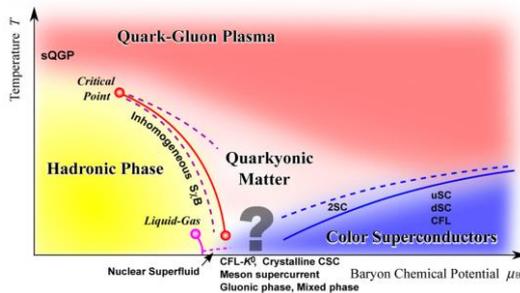


Hydrodynamic behavior  
Information of lower hierarchy



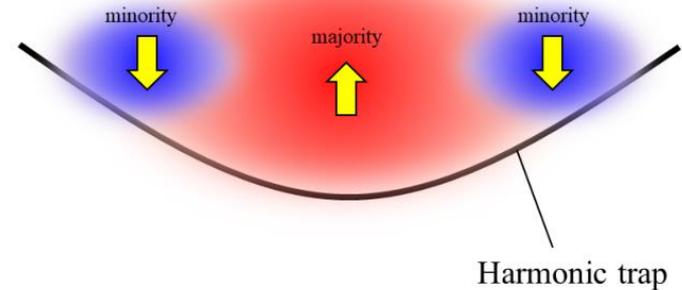
Lower hierarchy

It is difficult to obtain precise prediction



Rept. Prog. Phys. **74**, 014001 (2011).

In polaron physics...

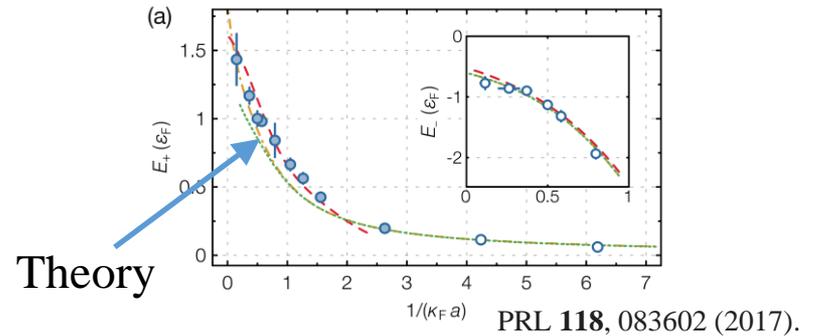


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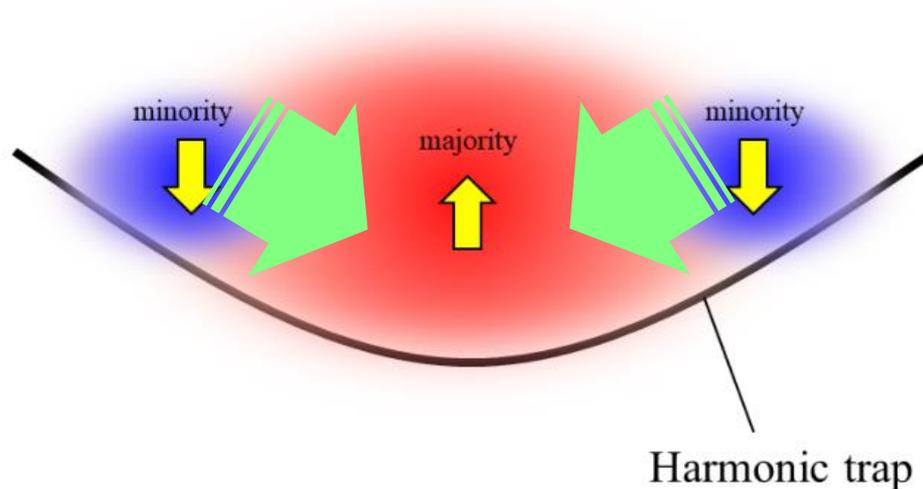
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Experimental results agree with theories



# Today's talk

- We theoretically investigate collisional dynamics of polaronic clouds immersed in a Fermi sea at unitarity by solving the non-linear hydrodynamic equation.
- We discuss how polaron properties appear during the collision.



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# Hydrodynamic equations for Fermi polarons

## Euler equation

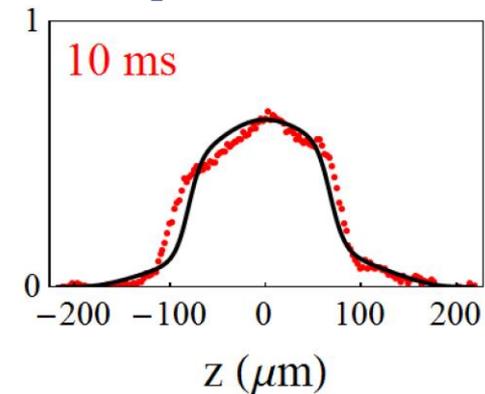
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\sigma}{\partial t} + \frac{\nabla v_\sigma^2}{2} = -\frac{\nabla}{m_\sigma^*} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial n_\sigma} + V_{\text{trap},\sigma} \right) - \gamma_\sigma \mathbf{v}_\sigma$$

## Continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial n_\sigma}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (n_\sigma \mathbf{v}_\sigma) = 0$$

## Hydrodynamics of unitary Fermi gases

Euler equation works well



J. A. Joseph, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **106**, 150401 (2011).

$\sigma$ : pseudospin ( $\uparrow$ :majority,  $\downarrow$ : minority)

$n_\sigma$ : number density

$\mathbf{v}_\sigma$ : velocity field

$E$ : energy density

$\gamma_\sigma$ : spin relaxation rate

$V_{\text{trap},\sigma} = m_\sigma(\omega_\perp^2 r_\perp^2 + \omega_z^2 r_z^2)/2$ : harmonic trap

$m_\sigma$ : atomic mass

Bulk viscosity:  $\zeta = 0$  at the unitarity limit due to the conformal symmetry

Shear viscosity:  $\eta \simeq 0$  at unitarity limit of unpolarized case (which we neglect for simplicity).

# Energy density of unitary Fermi polarons

$$E = \Xi_P + \Xi_A + \Xi_F + \Xi_G + O(n_{\downarrow}^4)$$

$\Xi_P$ : Fermi pressure term

$\Xi_F$ : polaron-polaron interaction

$\Xi_A$ : attractive polaron binding energy

$\Xi_G$ : three-polaron interaction

## Driving forces for polarons

Impurity Fermi pressure

$$\nabla \left( \frac{\partial \Xi_P}{\partial n_{\downarrow}} \right) = \frac{(6\pi^2)^{\frac{2}{3}}}{3m_{\downarrow}^*} \frac{\nabla n_{\downarrow}}{n_{\downarrow}^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

One-body potential

$$\nabla \left( \frac{\partial \Xi_A}{\partial n_{\downarrow}} \right) = -\frac{(6\pi^2)^{\frac{2}{3}} \chi}{3m_{\uparrow}} \frac{\nabla n_{\uparrow}}{n_{\uparrow}^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

Induced multi-body force

$$\nabla \left( \frac{\partial \Xi_F}{\partial n_{\downarrow}} \right) = \frac{(6\pi^2)^{\frac{2}{3}} \kappa}{5m_{\uparrow} n_{\uparrow}^{\frac{1}{3}}} \left[ 3\nabla n_{\downarrow} - \frac{n_{\downarrow}}{n_{\uparrow}} \nabla n_{\uparrow} \right]$$

$$\nabla \left( \frac{\partial \Xi_G}{\partial n_{\downarrow}} \right) = \frac{(6\pi^2)^{\frac{2}{3}} \lambda}{5m_{\uparrow} n_{\downarrow}^{\frac{1}{3}}} \left[ 9 \frac{n_{\downarrow}}{n_{\uparrow}} \nabla n_{\downarrow} - 2 \left( \frac{n_{\downarrow}}{n_{\uparrow}} \right)^2 \nabla n_{\uparrow} \right]$$

## Ansatz for Majority cloud (Thomas-Fermi)

$$n_{\uparrow} = \frac{(2m_{\uparrow})^{3/2}}{6\pi^2} \left[ E_{F,0} - V_{\text{trap},\sigma}(r_{\perp}, z) \right]^{3/2}$$

# Parameters for unitary Fermi polarons

## Single-polaron properties

Polaron energy:  $E_P = -\chi\varepsilon_{F,\uparrow} = -0.6\varepsilon_{F,\uparrow}$

Polaron effective mass:  $m_{\downarrow}^* = 1.17m_{\downarrow}$

Consistent with experiments and theories

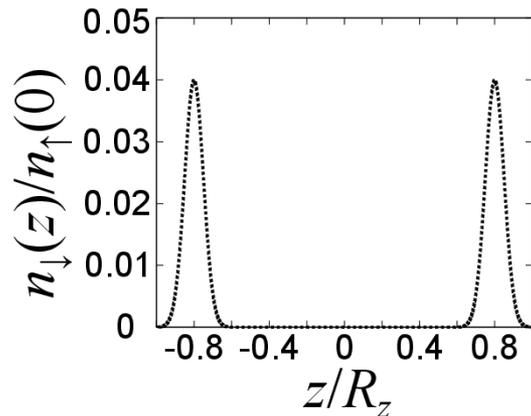
## Majority number and trap potential

$$N_{\uparrow} = 1.5 \times 10^5 \quad \omega_z/\omega_{\perp} = 20/233$$

Following experiment PRL **118**, 083602 (2017).

## Initial minority density profile

$$n_{\downarrow}(z, t = 0) = \frac{Y n_{\uparrow}(0)}{2\sqrt{2\pi}\eta^2} \left[ e^{-\frac{(z+z_I)^2}{2\eta^2}} + e^{-\frac{(z-z_I)^2}{2\eta^2}} \right]$$

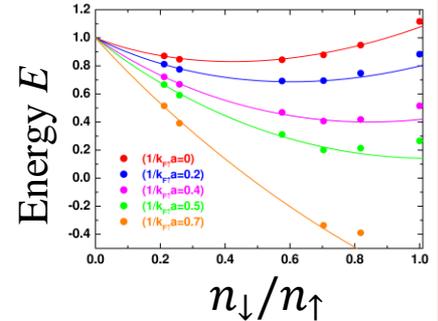


## Multi-polaron properties

$$\varepsilon_F = \frac{3}{5} \kappa \frac{\varepsilon_{F,\uparrow}}{n_{\uparrow}} n_{\downarrow}^2$$

$$(\kappa = 0.2)$$

$$\varepsilon_G = 0$$



Weak two-body repulsion from FN-DMC

S. Pilati *et al.*, PRL **100**, 030401 (2008).

To simplify the problem, we restrict ourselves in the axial ( $z$ -axis) mode.

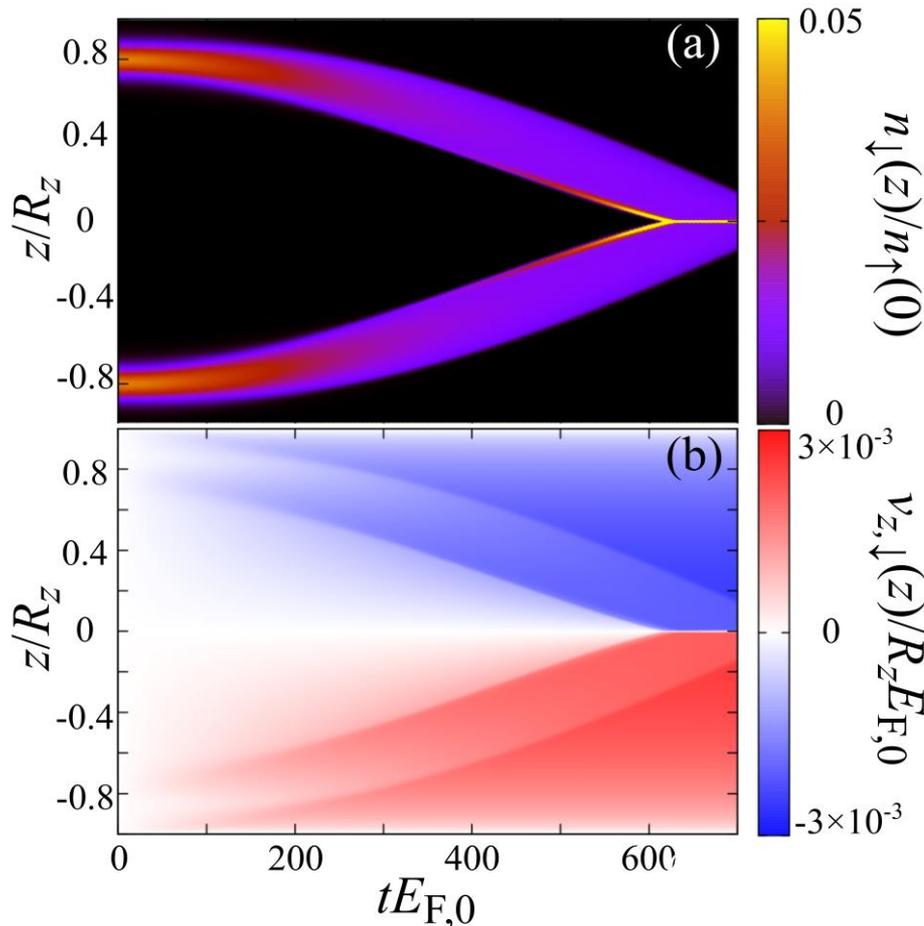
$$\frac{\partial v_{z,\sigma}}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{m_{\sigma}^*} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial n_{\sigma}} \right) - \gamma_{\sigma} v_{z,\sigma} - v_{z,\sigma} \frac{\partial v_{z,\sigma}}{\partial z} - \frac{m_{\sigma}}{m_{\sigma}^*} \omega_z^2 z,$$

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# Impurity density profile and velocity field



## Collision time

1/4-period of dipole mode

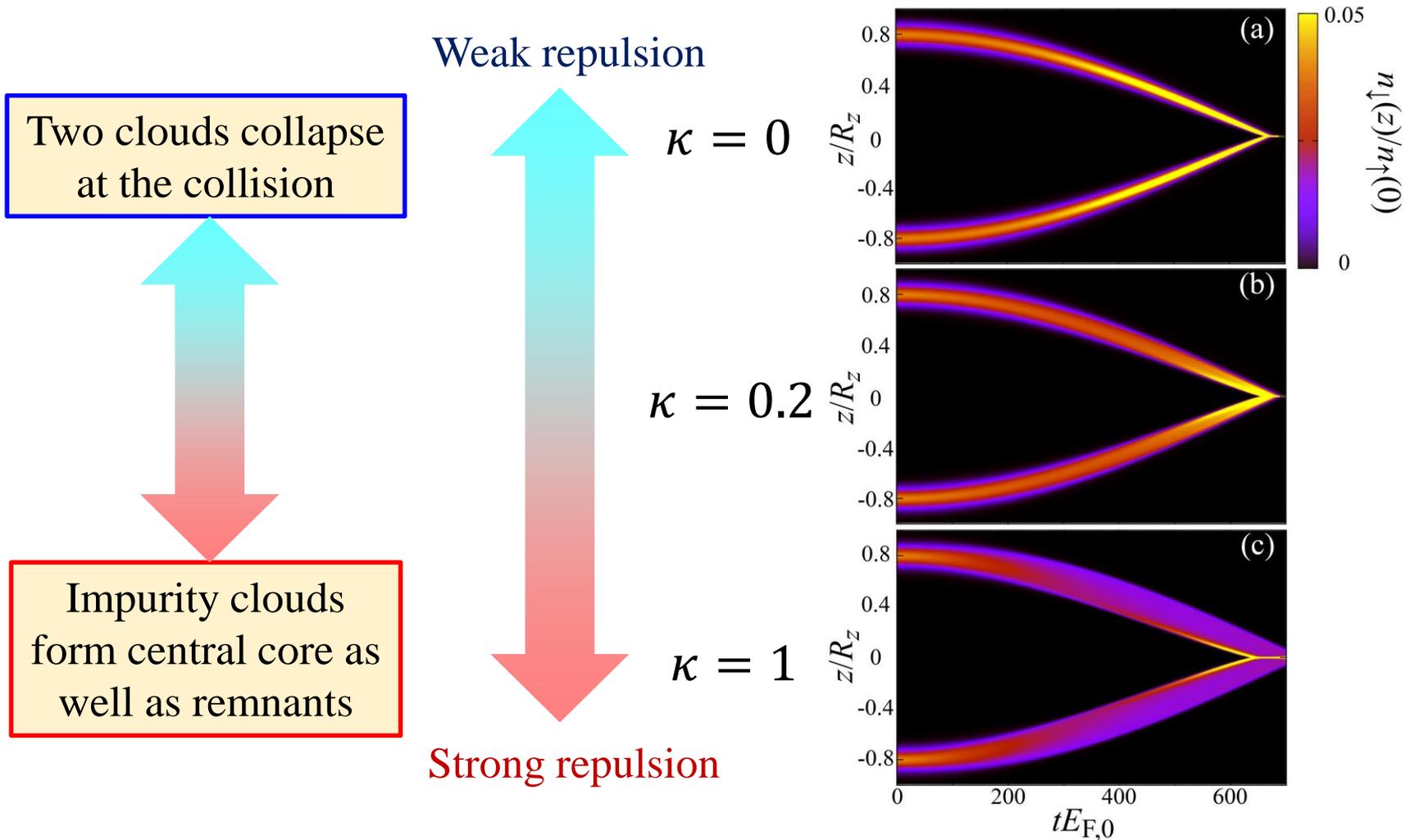
$$t_c \simeq \frac{1}{4} \frac{2\pi}{\omega_z^*} = 666 E_{F,0}^{-1}$$

$$\omega_z^* = \omega_z \sqrt{\frac{m_{\downarrow}}{m_{\downarrow}^*} (1 + \chi)}$$

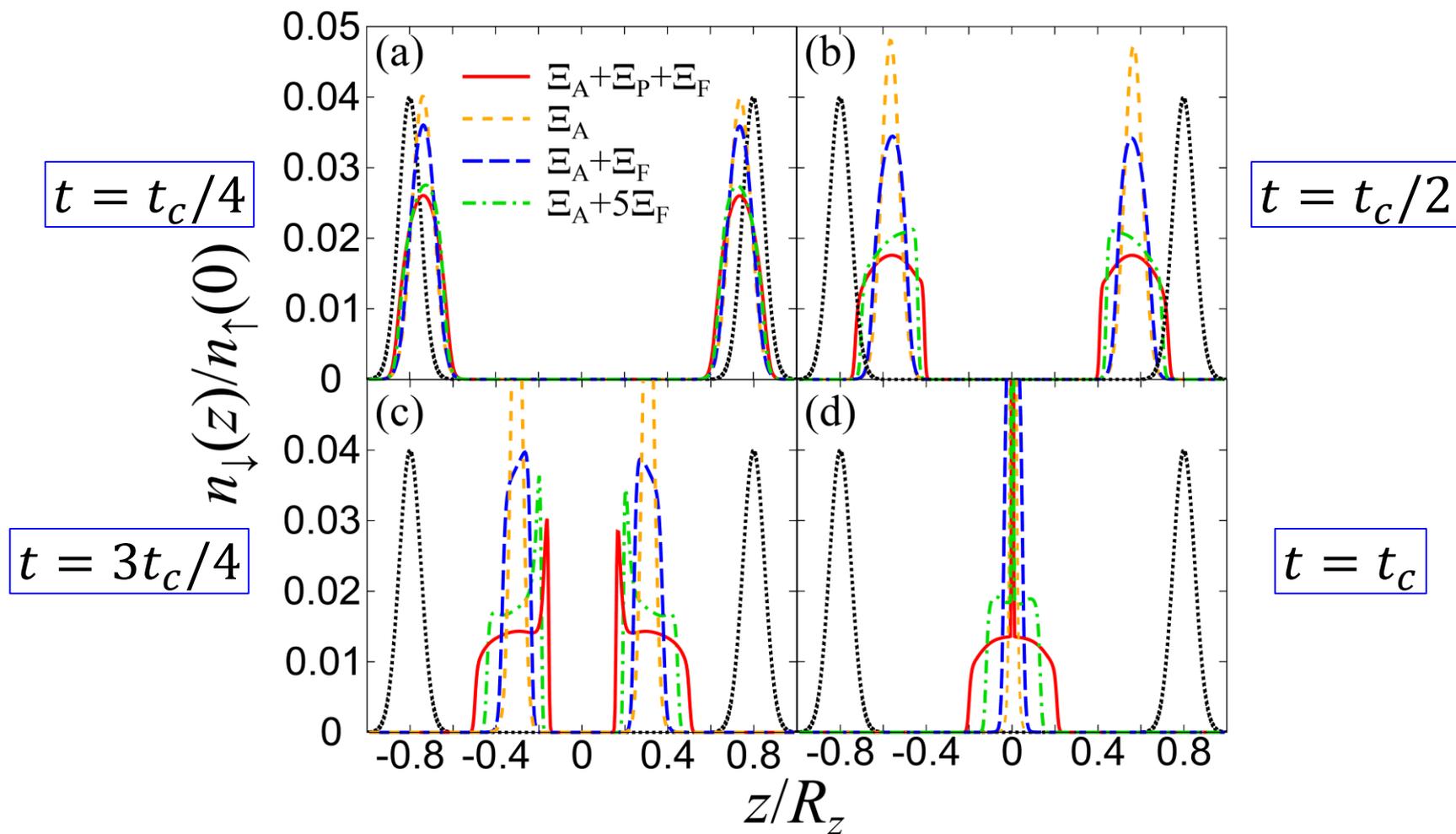
Frequency is renormalized due to polaron energy and effective mass

Impurity clouds are broadened due to Fermi pressure as well as polaron-polaron repulsion

# Polaron-polaron interaction in the absence of impurity Fermi pressure



# 2D plot of impurity density profiles



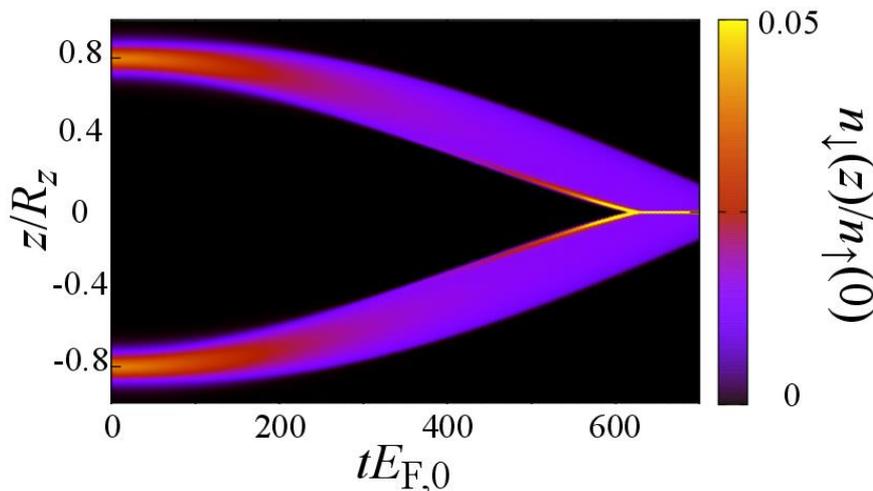
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- We propose a new protocol to investigate hierarchical physics of quantum impurities, namely polarons realized in ultracold atoms.
- Based on the hydrodynamic equations, we demonstrate how polaron properties appear in the collisional dynamics of unitary Fermi polaronic clouds.

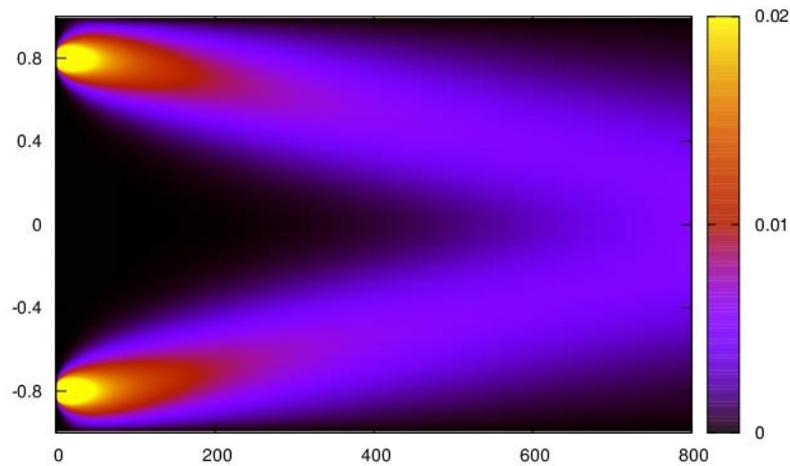


## Future work

- Three-dimensional dynamics
- Viscosity coefficients
- Induced long-range interaction
- Bose polarons
- Collisionless to hydrodynamic etc...

# Spin-relaxation effects

Critical damping



Over-damping

