

Condensed Matter Theory



Macroscopic
Quantum Phenomena

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MACROSCOPIC QUANTUM PHENOMENA

- I) Bose-Einstein Condensation
 - ii) Superfluidity
 - **lii) Superconductivity**
 - iv) Laser light

Phenomena where a macroscopic number of particles (or pairs) occupy the same single-particle (or two-particle) quantum state.

At thermal equilibrium but also out-of-equilibrium.

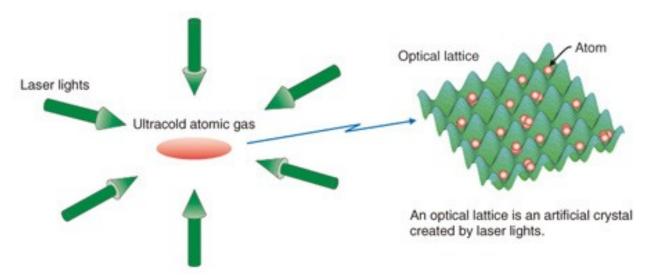


RESEARCH TOPICS:

Quantum field theory of Bose-Einstein condensation with atomic quantum gases
BCS-BEC crossover and high-Tc superconductors

Quantized vortices and solitons in BEC, superfluids, superconductors and laser light
Macroscopic quantum tunneling with Josephson junctions
Quantum physics in curved geometries, and also in 2D or 1D systems

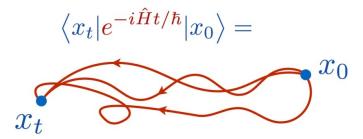
Quantum field theory of laser light in optical cavities and nonlinear media





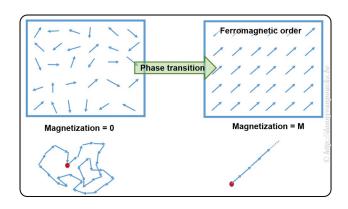
Methods of Theoretical and Mathematical Physics

Quantum field theory, Feynman path integral, quantized vortices, solitons



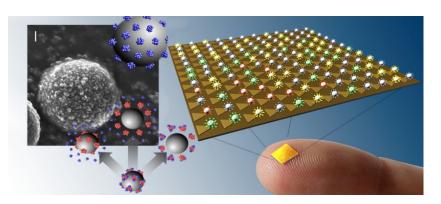
Quantum Statistical Mechanics

Phase transitions with quantum gases, superconductors, spin systems



Low-Dimensional Physics

Quantum field theory of many-body systems confined in quasi-2D or quasi-1D in flat or curved manifolds





Main recent scientific results of the group

- An average of 8 Scientific Papers per year
- Papers published in prestigious scientific journals, among them:

Nature Reviews Physics (impact factor: 44.8)

Physics Report (impact factor: 23.9)

Physical Review Letters (impact factor: 8.1)

- Invited Talks at many International Conferences and Schools

Examples:

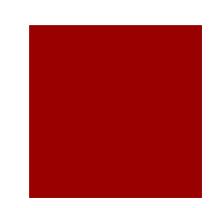
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- A. Tononi and L. Salasnich, Bose-Einstein condensation on the Surface of a Sphere, Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 160403 (2019).
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Group characteristics:

- Direct interaction with the PI without mediation of collaborators
- No annoying weakly group meetings
- Friendly and respectful envirorment
- Large network of international collaborators (for PhD and grants)
- No comptition among group members
- Strong competition to be always at the edge of the knowledge
- Active collaborations with experimental groups (LENS and UK)

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Other informations:

The <u>research group</u> is informally composed by

- 1 full professor
- 2 associate professors
- 1 visiting professor
- 3 PhD students
- 2 MSc students, 3 BSc students

Remark: within the Excellence DFA Project "Quantum Frontiers", there will be "specific" PhD positions in the next years.