# Computation of Ground States of the Gross-Pitaevskii Functional via Riemannian Optimization

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## Agenda

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#### **Computational Results**

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#### What is Bose-Einstein condensation (BEC)?



W. Ketterle, Collége de France, 2005

First experimental realization: Wieman & Cornell (1995; 2001 Nobel Prize)

 
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Gross-Pitaevskii Free Energy Functional (non-dimensional form)

$$\begin{split} E(u) &= \int_{\mathcal{D}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 + C_{\text{trap}} |u|^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_g |u|^4 - i C_{\Omega} u^* A^t \cdot \nabla u \right] d\mathbf{x}, \\ \|u\|_2^2 &= \int_{\mathcal{D}} |u(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mathbf{x} = 1, \qquad \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{split} u &= \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{N} \, x_s^{-d/2}}, \qquad \psi - \text{wavefunction}, \quad \psi \ : \ \mathcal{D} \to \mathbb{C} \\ &\qquad \qquad N - \text{number of atoms in the condensate} \\ &\qquad \qquad x_s - \text{characteristic length scale} \\ \mathcal{A}^t &= [y, -x, 0], \qquad C_{\text{trap}}(x, y, z) - \text{trapping potential} \\ &\qquad \qquad C_g, C_\Omega - \text{constants} \end{split}$$

•  $C_{\Omega}$  characterizes the effect of rotation

• Sobolev space 
$$E : H^1_0(\mathcal{D}) o \mathbb{R}$$

$$H^1_0(\mathcal{D}) := \left\{ u : \mathcal{D} \to \mathbb{C} \mid \int_{\mathcal{D}} |u| + |\nabla u|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} < \infty, \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial \mathcal{D} \right\}$$

Variational optimization

$$\min_{u \in H_0^1(\mathcal{D})} E(u)$$
  
subject to  $||u||_{L_2(\mathcal{D})} = 1$ 

• Minimizers constrained to a nonlinear manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  in  $H^1_0(\mathcal{D})$ 

$$\mathcal{M} := \left\{ u \in H^1_0(\mathcal{D}) : \|u\|_{L_2(\mathcal{D})} = 1 \right\}$$

#### Computational approaches:

- Euler-Lagrange equation for  $E(u) \implies$  nonlinear eigenvalue problem
- Direct minimization of E(u) via a gradient method

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### Steepest-gradient approach

$$\begin{aligned} u^{(n+1)} &= u^{(n)} - \tau_n \, \nabla E \big( u^{(u)} \big), & n = 0, 1, \dots, \\ u^{(0)} &= u_0, & \text{(initial guess)}, \end{aligned}$$

where:

$$\begin{split} \tilde{u} &= \lim_{n \to \infty} u^{(n)} \quad - \text{ the minimizer ("ground state")} \\ \nabla E(u^{(u)}) \quad - \text{ gradient of } E(u) \text{ at } u^{(n)} \\ \tau_n &= \operatorname{argmin}_{\tau > 0} E(u^{(n)} - \tau \, \nabla E(u^{(u)})) \quad - \text{ optimal step size} \end{split}$$

Key issues:

- Regularity of the minimizers  $\tilde{u} \in H^1_0(\mathcal{D}) \implies$  Sobolev gradients
- Enforcement of the constraint  $\tilde{u} \in \mathcal{M} \implies$  Riemannian optimization

 
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Gâteaux differential of the Gross-Pitaevskii Energy Functional

$$E'(u; v) = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \epsilon^{-1} \left[ E(u + \epsilon v) - E(u) \right], \qquad u, v \in \mathcal{X}$$

 $\mathcal{X}$  — some function space

► Riesz Representation Theorem:  $E'(u; \cdot)$  bounded linear functional on  $\mathcal{X}$  $\implies \forall_{v \in \mathcal{X}} E'(u; v) = \langle \nabla^{\mathcal{X}} E(u), v \rangle_{\mathcal{X}}$ 

Relevant inner products (Danaila & Kazemi 2010)

$$\begin{array}{l} \langle u, v \rangle_{L_{2}} = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \langle u, v \rangle \, d\mathbf{x}, & \text{where } \langle u, v \rangle = uv^{*} \\ \langle u, v \rangle_{H^{1}} = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \langle u, v \rangle + \langle \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle \, d\mathbf{x} \\ \langle u, v \rangle_{H_{A}} = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \langle u, v \rangle + \langle \nabla_{A}u, \nabla_{A}v \rangle \, d\mathbf{x}, & \nabla_{A} = \nabla + iC_{\Omega}A^{t} \end{array}$$

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• Different Sobolev gradients  $(\mathcal{X} = L_2, H^1, H_A)$ 

$$E'(u; v) = \Re \left\langle \nabla^{L^2} E(u), v \right\rangle_{L^2} = \Re \left\langle \nabla^{H^1} E(u), v \right\rangle_{H^1} = \Re \left\langle \nabla^{H_A} E(u), v \right\rangle_{H_A}$$

The L<sub>2</sub> gradient

$$\nabla^{L^2} E(u) = 2 \left( -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 u + C_{trap} u + C_g |u|^2 u - i C_{\Omega} A^t \cdot \nabla u \right),$$

▶ The Sobolev gradient  $G = \nabla^{H_A} E(u)$  obtained from the  $L_2$  gradient via an elliptic boundary-value problem (Danaila & Kazemi 2010)

$$\begin{aligned} \forall_{\mathbf{v}\in \mathcal{H}_{0}^{1}(\mathcal{D})} & \int_{\mathcal{D}} \left[ \left( 1 + C_{\Omega}^{2}(\mathbf{x}^{2} + \mathbf{y}^{2}) \right) G\mathbf{v} + \nabla G \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} - 2iC_{\Omega}A^{t} \cdot \nabla G\mathbf{v} \right] d\mathbf{x} \\ & = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{2} \nabla u \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} + \left[ C_{\mathsf{trap}}u + C_{g}|u|^{2}u - iC_{\Omega}A^{t} \cdot \nabla u \right] \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

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- Riemannian Optimization an "intrinsic" approach with optimization performed directly on the manifold *M* without reference to the embedding space H<sup>1</sup><sub>0</sub>(*D*)
  - optimization problem becomes unconstrained
  - can apply more efficient optimization algorithms (conjugate gradients, Newton's method)
- Riemannian structure at various levels:
  - retraction back to the constraint manifold
  - vector transport along the constraint manifold
  - Riemannian metric on the constraint manifold
- Here the formulation made simple by the constraint  $||u||_{L_2(\mathcal{D})} = 1$
- Reference: P.-A. Absil, R. Mahony and R. Sepulchre, "Optimization Algorithms on Matrix Manifolds", Princeton University Press, (2008).

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• Projection of the gradient G on the tangent subspace  $\mathcal{T}_u \mathcal{M}$ 

$$P_{u_n,H_A}G = G - \frac{\Re(\langle u_n,G\rangle_{L^2})}{\Re(\langle u_n,v_{H_A}\rangle_{L^2})} v_{H_A}, \quad \text{where}$$
$$\langle v_{H_A}, v \rangle_{H_A} = \langle u_n, v \rangle_{L^2}, \ \forall v \in H_A$$

• There is some freedom in choosing the subtracted field  $(v_{H_A})$ 

- Approach equivalent to constraint enforcement via Lagrange multipliers
  - Error in constraint satisfaction  $\mathcal{O}(\tau_n)$

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#### ► RETRACTION

 $\mathcal{R}_u$  :  $\mathcal{T}_u \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}$ 

maps a tangent vector  $\xi \in \mathcal{T}_u \mathcal{M}$  back to the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ 



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#### For our constraint manifold *M*

$$\mathcal{R}_u(\xi) = \frac{u+\xi}{\|u+\xi\|_{L_2(\mathcal{D})}}$$

retraction = normalization

Riemannian steepest descent approach

$$u_{n+1} = \mathcal{R}_{u_n} \left( \tau_n P_{u_n, H_A} G(u_n) \right), \qquad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
$$u_0 = u^0$$

where

$$\tau_n = \operatorname{argmin}_{\tau>0} E\left(\mathcal{R}_{u_n}(\tau P_{u_n, H_A}G(u_n))\right)$$

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(a) The simple ("unprojected") gradient method.

(b) The projected gradient (PG) method.

▶ Consider  $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N} f(\mathbf{x})$ , where  $f : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}$ 

Nonlinear Conjugate Gradients Method

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_n + \tau_n \, \mathbf{d}_n, \qquad n = 0, 1, \dots$$
  
 $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x}^0$ 

descent direction **d**<sub>n</sub> is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d}_n &= -\mathbf{g}_n + \beta_n \, \mathbf{d}_{n-1}, \qquad n = 1, 2, \dots \\ \mathbf{d}_0 &= -\mathbf{g}_0, \qquad \qquad \mathbf{g}_n = \boldsymbol{\nabla} f(\mathbf{x}_n) \end{aligned}$$

• "momentum" coefficients  $\beta_n$  ensure conjugacy of decent directions

$$\beta_{n} = \beta_{n}^{FR} := \frac{\langle \mathbf{g}_{n}, \mathbf{g}_{n} \rangle_{\mathcal{X}}}{\langle \mathbf{g}_{n-1}, \mathbf{g}_{n-1} \rangle_{\mathcal{X}}}$$
(Fletcher-Reeves),  
$$\beta_{n} = \beta_{n}^{PR} := \frac{\langle \mathbf{g}_{n}, (\mathbf{g}_{n} - \mathbf{g}_{n-1}) \rangle_{\mathcal{X}}}{\langle \mathbf{g}_{n-1}, \mathbf{g}_{n-1} \rangle_{\mathcal{X}}}$$
(Polak-Ribiére)

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In the Riemannian setting

$$\mathbf{g}_{n-1}, \mathbf{d}_{n-1} \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathbf{x}_{n-1}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{g}_n, \mathbf{d}_n \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathbf{x}_n},$$

hence cannot be added or multiplied ...

- ▶ Need a mapping between the tangent spaces  $\mathcal{T}_{u_{n-1}}\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{T}_{u_n}\mathcal{M}$
- ► VECTOR TRANSPORT  $\mathcal{T}_{\eta}(\xi)$  :  $\mathcal{TM} \times \mathcal{TM} \to \mathcal{TM}$ ,  $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{TM}$ describing how the vector field  $\xi$  is transported along the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ by the field  $\eta$



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► For our constraint manifold *M*:

vector transport via differentiated retraction

$$\mathcal{T}_{\eta_x}(\xi_x) = \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{R}_x(\eta_x + t\xi_x) \big|_{t=0} = \frac{1}{\|x + \eta_x\|} \left[ Id - \frac{(x + \eta_x)(x + \eta_x)^T}{\|x + \eta_x\|^2} \right] \xi_x$$

vector transport on Riemannian submanifolds ("parallel" transport)

$$\mathcal{T}_{\eta_x}(\xi_x) = P_{\mathcal{R}_x(\eta_x)}\xi_x = \left[Id - \frac{(x+\eta_x)(x+\eta_x)^T}{\|x+\eta_x\|^2}\right]\xi_x$$

The two definitions differ by a scalar factor only

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#### ► RIEMANNIAN CONJUGATE GRADIENTS

$$\begin{aligned} u_{n+1} &= \mathcal{R}_{u_n} \left( \tau_n \, d_n \right), \qquad n = 0, 1, \dots \\ u_0 &= u^0, \qquad \qquad \text{where} \end{aligned}$$

$$d_{n} = -P_{u_{n},H_{A}}G(u_{n}) + \beta_{n}\mathcal{T}_{-\tau_{n-1}d_{n-1}}(d_{n-1}), \qquad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$d_{0} = -P_{u_{0},H_{A}}G$$

$$\beta_{n} = \frac{\left\langle P_{u_{n},H_{A}}G(u_{n}), \left(P_{u_{n},H_{A}}G(u_{n}) - \mathcal{T}_{-\tau_{n-1}d_{n-1}}P_{u_{n},H_{A}}G(u_{n-1})\right) \right\rangle_{H_{A}(\mathcal{D})}}{\left\langle P_{u_{n},H_{A}}G(u_{n-1}), P_{u_{n},H_{A}}G(u_{n-1}) \right\rangle_{H_{A}(\mathcal{D})}}$$
(Polak-Ribiére)

Approach straightforward to implement

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- (a) Riemannian vector transport of the anterior conjugate direction  $d_{n-1}$ ; the transport of the anterior gradient  $G_{n-1}$  is performed in a similar way.
- (b) Projection of the new Sobolev gradient  $G_n$  onto the tangent subspace  $\mathcal{T}_{u_n}\mathcal{M}$  resulting in  $P_{u_n,H_A}G_n$ .

#### Implementation in FreeFEM++:

- P<sup>2</sup> (piecewise quadratic) finite elements used to approximate the solution u
- *P*<sup>4</sup> (piecewise quartic) finite elements used to represent the nonlinear terms in the gradients
- Discretization of domain  ${\cal D}$ 
  - fixed triangulation
    - Mesh I: 24,454 triangles with  $h_{min} = 0.0118$
    - Mesh II: 99,329 triangles with  $h_{min} = 0.0059$
  - Adaptive mesh refinement (Danaila & Hecht, 2010)

Arc-search for optimal  $\tau_n = \operatorname{argmin}_{\tau>0} E\left(\mathcal{R}_{u_n}(-\tau d_n)\right)$ using Brent's method

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$$u_{ex}(x,y) = U(r) \exp(im\theta), \qquad U(r) = \frac{2\sqrt{21}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{r^2(R-r)}{R^4}, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}$$



3D-rendering of the modulus  $|u_{ex}|$  color-coded with

- (a) the modulus itself,
- (b) the modulus itself and (b) the phase of the solution for m = 3.

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Fits:  $\|u_n - u_{ex}\|_2 \sim B_u A_u^n$ ,  $|E_n - E_{ex}| \sim B_e A_e^n$ 

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• Constants 
$$A_e$$
 and  $A_u$   $(A_u \approx \sqrt{A_e})$ 

	Mesh 1			Mesh 2		
	A <sub>e</sub>	$\sqrt{A_e}$	$A_u$	A <sub>e</sub>	$\sqrt{A_e}$	A <sub>u</sub>
(RG)	0.9167	0.9574	0.9496	0.9268	0.9627	0.9538
(RCG)	0.2909	0.5394	0.5275	0.2924	0.5408	0.5238

Relation to the "condition number" κ (Euclidean case)

- simple gradients:  $A_u = (\kappa 1)/(\kappa + 1)$
- conjugate gradients:

$$A_u = (\sqrt{\kappa} - 1)/(\sqrt{\kappa} + 1)$$

- Estimate  $\kappa$  from  $A_u$ 
  - **RG**:  $\kappa \approx 42.37$
  - RCG:  $\kappa \approx 3.2$
- Speed-up in the Riemannian Conjugate Gradient approach exceeds the theoretical prediction!

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The step size  $\tau_n$  in the Projected Gradient (PG) and Riemannian Gradient (RG) methods exhibits oscillatory behavior

 $\implies$  iterates  $u_n$  trapped in long narrow "valleys"



steepest descent for the "banana function" (from Wikipedia)

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BEC trapped in a harmonic potential and rotating at low angular velocities

$$C_{
m trap} = r^2/2, \quad C_g = 500, \quad C_\Omega = 0.4$$



3D rendering of the atomic density  $\rho = |u|^2$  for: (a) the initial guess  $u_0$  (Thomas-Fermi approximation) (b) the converged ground state. Minimization of the Gross-Pitaevskii Energy Functional Riemannian Optimization Computational Results Abrikosov Lattice and Giant Vortices

For comparison, semi-implicit backward Euler (BE) method to solve the normalized gradient flow

$$\begin{split} \frac{\tilde{u}-u_n}{\delta t} &= \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \tilde{u} - C_{\text{trap}} \tilde{u} - C_g |u_n|^2 \tilde{u} + i C_\Omega A^t \cdot \nabla \tilde{u} \\ u_{n+1} &= \frac{\tilde{u}(t_{n+1})}{\|\tilde{u}(t_{n+1})\|_2}. \end{split}$$

Additional diagnostic quantities

angular momentum:

$$L=i\int_{\mathcal{D}}u^*A^t\cdot\nabla u\,d\mathbf{x}$$

drift away from the constraint manifold:  $\delta_n$ 

$$\delta_n = \left|1 - \|\hat{u}_n\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D})}\right|$$

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## Evolution of $|\phi|$ with iterations

Riemannian Conjugate-Gradient (RCG) Approach with Adaptive Grid Refinement



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# Conclusions

- Riemannian approach accelerates solution of equality-constrained optimization problems (computation of ground states in BEC)
  - better performance than other first-order methods
  - comparable performance to some second-order methods (Ipopt, which however cannot take advantage of grid adaptation)
- Key enablers for Riemannian Conjugate Gradients:
  - projections onto  $\mathcal{T}_{u_n}\mathcal{M}$
  - retractions from  $\mathcal{T}_{u_n}\mathcal{M}$  onto  $\mathcal{M}$ ,
  - vector transport between  $\mathcal{T}_{u_{n-1}}$  and  $\mathcal{T}_{u_n}$
- Ongoing work:
  - Riemannian metric on the constraint manifold
  - Riemannian Newton's method