ORDER VIA NONLINEARITY IN RANDOMLY CONFINED BOSE GASES

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A Hartree-Fock mean-field theory of a weakly interacting Bose-gas in a quenched white noise disorder potential is presented. A direct continuous transition from the normal gas to a localized Bose-glass phase is found which has localized short-lived excitations with a gapless density of states and vanishing superfluid density. The critical temperature of this transition is as for an ideal gas undergoing Bose-Einstein condensation. Increasing the particle-number density a first-order transition from the localized state to a superfluid phase perturbed by disorder is found. At intermediate number densities both phases can coexist.

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1. Introduction

After the successful realization of the Bose–Hubbard model in systems of ultracold atoms in perfectly periodic standing wave laser fields [Greiner et al., 2002] the interest in the 'dirty boson problem' [Fisher et al., 1989; Giamarchi & Schulz, 1987; Giamarchi & Schulz, 1988] has also had a strong recent revival [Wang et al., 2004]. In this case cold bosonic atoms in potentials with quenched disorder are considered. The disorder appears either naturally as, e.g., in magnetic wire traps [Folman et al., 2002; Schumm et al., 2005; Fortágh & Zimmermann, 2007] or it may be created artificially and controllably as, e.g., by the use of laser speckle fields [Dainty, 1975; Lye et al., 2005; Clément et al., 2005; Schulte et al., 2005]. Historically, the dirty boson problem first arose in the context of superfluid Helium in Vycor [Wong et al., 1990]. These classical experiments stimulated a number of papers in which the Bogoliubov mean-field theory of weakly interacting Bose gases was extended to superfluid Bose gases moving in a weak disorder-potential [Huang & Meng, 1992; Giorgini et al., 1994; Kobayashi & Tsubota, 2002; Lopatin & Vinokur, 2002; Astrakharchik et al., 2002; Falco et al., 2007]. In these papers the perturbation and persistence of the superfluid phase in the presence of disorder was studied in detail. The problem of strong disorder potentials could not be dealt with in these theories, however, as this needs more sophisticated approaches [Hertz et al., 1979; Navez et al., 2007; Yukalov & Graham, 2007; Yukalov et al., 2007]. Apart from this work the contemporary problem of cold atoms in quenched random potentials has also been dealt with in numerical simulations of lattice systems [Lee & Gunn, 1990; Ma et al., 1993; Singh & Rokhsar, 1994; Damski et al., 2003; Sanpera et al. 2004, Krutitsky et al., 2006]. An exception is the one-dimensional case of strongly repelling 'dirty bosons' which can be solved exactly by a mapping, via fermionization, to the problem of the Anderson localization of non-interacting fermions [De Martino et al., 2005; Krutitsky et al., 2008].

In the present paper we develop an analytical mean-field approach to the dirty boson problem of a weakly interacting Bose gas in a quenched random potential which is bounded from below, i.e. we assume that all realizations $V(\mathbf{x})$ are larger than or equal to a fixed lower bound V_0 . We shall work out our theory for the quite general model of a disorder potential $V(\mathbf{x})$ where the ensemble average, in the following denoted by $\overline{\cdots}$, vanishes, i.e. $\overline{V(\mathbf{x}_1)} = 0$, and, e.g., the second-order correlation function is given according to $\overline{V(\mathbf{x}_1)V(\mathbf{x}_2)} = R^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2).$ Our mean-field theory requires no further assumptions about higher correlation functions $V(\mathbf{x}_1) \cdot \ldots \cdot V(\mathbf{x}_n)$. In the special case of a short-ranged correlation function $R^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = R \,\delta(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2)$ we find that, in addition to the superfluid phase studied in earlier work, for sufficiently strong disorder there exists a completely localized phase, either separately, at low number density, or in coexistence with a global condensate at intermediate number densities. Our approach, from the start, differs qualitatively from the earlier mean-field approaches as we define and evaluate *two* basic order parameters of the theory from disorder-averages over correlation functions of the underlying Bose fields $\psi^*(\mathbf{x},\tau)$ and $\psi(\mathbf{x},\tau)$. Here $\tau = it$ stands for the imaginary time which is periodic with period $\hbar\beta$, $\beta = 1/k_BT$ denoting the reciprocal temperature. All quantum mechanical expectation values here will be understood as being time-ordered with respect to imaginary time τ . For characterizing the superfluid phase we use the usual condensate density n_0 which is defined by the spatial long-range limit of the 2-point function according to

$$\lim_{\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}'|\to\infty} \overline{\langle \psi(\mathbf{x},\tau)\psi^*(\mathbf{x}',\tau^+)\rangle} = n_0.$$
(1)

Here and in the following the infinitesimally shifted imaginary time $\tau^+ = \tau + \eta$ with $\eta \downarrow 0$ is necessary to guarantee the normal ordering within the underlying functional integral representation of the 2-point function. But, in addition, we also take into account the possible existence of a Bose-glass phase by introducing a corresponding separate order parameter q which is similar to the Edwards-Anderson order parameter of a spin glass [Edwards & Anderson, 1975]:

$$\lim_{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}'|\to\infty} \overline{|\langle\psi(\mathbf{x},\tau)\psi^*(\mathbf{x}',\tau^+)\rangle|^2} = (q+n_0)^2.$$
(2)

Note that the latter, at T = 0, also follows from the temporal long-range correlation in direct analogy to the theory of quantum spin glasses [Read *et al.*, 1995; Sachdev, 1999]:

$$\lim_{|\tau-\tau'|\to\infty} \overline{\langle \psi(\mathbf{x},\tau)\psi^*(\mathbf{x},\tau')\rangle} = q + n_0.$$
 (3)

This procedure of introducing a separate Bose-glass order parameter q is indispensable, we argue here, since in a sufficiently large system mutually disconnected local mini-condensates of bosons can form at sufficiently low temperature. Clearly, if such local, disconnected minicondensates occur, with or without a surrounding sea of superfluid bosons, they cannot be described by the usual global mean field of a Bose–Einstein condensate, while they are well captured by an Edwards-Anderson-like order parameter. The definition and use of such a Boseglass order parameter in the context of an otherwise very familiar model and the discussion of the simple results for the Bose-glass phase obtained in this way is the main goal of the present work.

2. Replica Method

Technically, our approach makes use of the replica method which has been established, over the last few decades, as a reliable tool for treating disordered systems [Mezard *et al.*, 1987; Fischer & Hertz, 1991; Dotsenko, 2001]. We start with the functional integral for the grand-canonical partition function

$$\mathcal{Z} = \oint \mathcal{D}\psi^* \oint \mathcal{D}\psi \, e^{-\mathcal{A}[\psi^*,\psi]} \,, \tag{4}$$

where we employ units with $\hbar = 1$. The integration is performed over all Bose fields $\psi^*(\mathbf{x}, \tau), \psi(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$ which are periodic in imaginary time τ with period β . The Euclidean action in standard notation is given by

$$\mathcal{A}[\psi^*,\psi] = \int_0^\beta d\tau \int d^D x \left\{ \psi^*(\mathbf{x},\tau) \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} - \frac{1}{2M} \mathbf{\Delta} + V(\mathbf{x}) - \mu \right] \psi(\mathbf{x},\tau) + \frac{g}{2} \psi^{*2}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \psi^2(\mathbf{x},\tau) \right\},$$
(5)

where M denotes the particle mass, μ the chemical potential, and g the strength of the contact interaction. As the grand-canonical partition function \mathcal{Z} still is a functional of the disorder potential $V(\mathbf{x})$, the corresponding thermodynamic potential follows from the expectation value with respect to disorder

$$\Omega = -\frac{1}{\beta} \overline{\ln \mathcal{Z}} \,. \tag{6}$$

In general it is not possible to explicitly evaluate expression (6), as the averaging with respect to the disorder potential $V(\mathbf{x})$ and the nonlinear function of the logarithm do no commute: $\overline{\ln Z} \neq \ln \overline{Z}$. An important method to perform the averaging procedure prescribed by (6) is provided by calculating the Nth power of the grand-canonical partition function Z in the limit $N \to 0$. Indeed, from $Z^N = 1 + N \ln Z + \ldots$ the thermodynamic potential (6) is representable as

$$\Omega = -\frac{1}{\beta} \lim_{N \to 0} \frac{\overline{Z^N} - 1}{N} \,. \tag{7}$$

The N-fold replication of the disordered Bose gas (4), (5) and a subsequent averaging with respect to the disorder potential $V(\mathbf{x})$ can be worked out by using the characteristic functional of the disorder potential $V(\mathbf{x})$. Due to the above mentioned assumptions about the statistical properties of the disorder potential $V(\mathbf{x})$, its characteristic functional is of the following form:

$$\overline{\exp\left\{i\int d^{D}x\,j(\mathbf{x})V(\mathbf{x})\right\}} = \exp\left\{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\frac{i^{n}}{n!}\int d^{D}x_{1}\cdots \times \int d^{D}x_{n}\,R^{(n)}(\mathbf{x}_{1},\ldots,\mathbf{x}_{n})\,j(\mathbf{x}_{1})\cdots j(\mathbf{x}_{n})\right\}.$$
(8)

The resulting N-fold replicated imaginary-time action of the weakly interacting Bose gas in a random potential reads

$$\mathcal{A}^{(N)}[\psi^*,\psi] = \int_0^\beta d\tau \int d^D x \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \left\{ \psi^*_\alpha(\mathbf{x},\tau) \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} - \frac{1}{2M} \mathbf{\Delta} - \mu \right] \psi_\alpha(\mathbf{x},\tau) + \frac{g}{2} |\psi_\alpha(\mathbf{x},\tau)|^4 \right\} + \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n!} \qquad (9)$$
$$\times \int_0^\beta d\tau_1 \cdots \int_0^\beta d\tau_n \int d^D x_1 \cdots \int d^D x_n \int d^D x_n \sum_{\alpha_1=1}^N \cdots \sum_{\alpha_n=1}^N R^{(n)}(\mathbf{x}_1,\dots,\mathbf{x}_n) |\psi_{\alpha_1}(\mathbf{x}_1,\tau_1)|^2 \cdots |\psi_{\alpha_n}(\mathbf{x}_n,\tau_n)|^2 ,$$

where the indices α, α' label the replicated copies of the Bose field. Note that, by definition, all cumulant functions $R^{(n)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_n)$ are symmetric with respect to their arguments $\mathbf{x}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_n$. Thus, in leading order n = 2 the random potential leads to a residual attractive interaction between the replica fields $\psi^*_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$, $\psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$ which is, in general, bilocal in both space and imaginary time. The replicated action (9) is not only the starting point for calculating the

disorder average of the grand-canonical potential according to (7) and

$$\overline{\mathcal{Z}^{N}} = \left\{ \prod_{\alpha=1}^{N} \oint \mathcal{D}\psi_{\alpha}^{*} \oint \mathcal{D}\psi_{\alpha} \right\} e^{-\mathcal{A}^{(N)}[\psi^{*},\psi]}, \qquad (10)$$

but also for the calculation of all disorder-averaged correlation functions of $\psi(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$, $\psi^*(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$. For instance, the 2-point function can be represented within the replica formalism as

$$\overline{\langle \psi(\mathbf{x},\tau)\psi^*(\mathbf{x}',\tau')\rangle} = \lim_{N \to 0} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \left\{ \prod_{\alpha'=1}^N \oint \mathcal{D}\psi^*_{\alpha'} \oint \mathcal{D}\psi_{\alpha'} \right\} \psi_\alpha(\mathbf{x},\tau)\psi^*_\alpha(\mathbf{x}',\tau') e^{-\mathcal{A}^{(N)}[\psi^*,\psi]}.$$
(11)

3. Hartree-Fock Mean-Field Equations

Now we shall analyze the action (9) in a Hartree-Fock (HF) approximation with respect to the direct and disordermediated interactions. To this end we split the Bose-fields ψ_{α} into a background Ψ_{α} and fluctuations $\delta\psi_{\alpha}$. Due to their smallness we only keep terms up to the quartic order in the fluctuations $\delta\psi_{\alpha}$, which are then Gaussian factorized. With this we obtain the so-called Gross-Pitaevskii equation for the background field, which is modified by the disorder-term, in the form

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} - \frac{1}{2M} \mathbf{\Delta} - \mu + g \Sigma_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, \tau) + g \langle \delta \psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \, \delta \psi_{\alpha}^{*}(\mathbf{x}, \tau^{+}) \rangle \right\} \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\beta} d\tau' \int d^{D} x' \sum_{\alpha'=1}^{N} R^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \left\{ Q_{\alpha\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}, \tau; \mathbf{x}', \tau') \Psi_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}', \tau') + \langle \delta \psi_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}', \tau') \, \delta \psi_{\alpha'}^{*}(\mathbf{x}', \tau'^{+}) \rangle \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \right\} + \dots$$
(12)

Here we introduced the mean-fields

$$Q_{\alpha\alpha'}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau') = \Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \Psi_{\alpha'}^{*}(\mathbf{x}',\tau') + \langle \delta\psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \,\delta\psi_{\alpha'}^{*}(\mathbf{x}',\tau') \rangle, \quad \Sigma_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) = Q_{\alpha\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x},\tau^{+}), \quad (13)$$

where the expectation values are calculated with respect to the effective quadratic action of the fluctuations

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}^{(N,2)}[\delta\psi^*,\delta\psi] = \int_0^\beta d\tau \int d^D x \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \left\{ \delta\psi^*_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial\tau} - \frac{1}{2M} \mathbf{\Delta} - \mu + 2g \Sigma_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \right] \delta\psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) - \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_0^\beta d\tau' \qquad (14)$$

$$\times \int d^D x \int d^D x' \sum_{\alpha,\alpha'=1}^N R^{(2)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') \left\{ \Sigma_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \,\delta\psi^*_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}',\tau') \,\delta\psi_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}',\tau') + Q_{\alpha\alpha'}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau') \,\delta\psi_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}',\tau') \,\delta\psi^*_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \right\} + \dots$$

Note that the higher-order terms in the ellipsis of Eqs. (12) and (14) stem from cumulant functions $R^{(n)}$ with $n \geq 3$. We observe that Eq. (13) defines $Q_{\alpha\alpha'}$ as a mean field related to disorder and Σ_{α} essentially as the total particle number density n_{α} in the replica index α , i.e. $\Sigma_{\alpha} = gn_{\alpha}$. It should be noted that the HF approximation leading to (12) and (14) is much simpler but also more restrictive than the Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov approximation in which anomalous correlations $\delta\psi\delta\psi$ and $\delta\psi^*\delta\psi^*$ would also appear. However, not too far below the transition temperature the influence of such terms is expected to be small [Goldman *et al.*, 1981; Huse & Siggia, 1982].

In the following we solve our HF approximation for the special case of a delta-correlated disorder potential, i.e. we assume $R^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = R \,\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$ from now on. In that case the mean-field equations have a replica symmetric

solution

$$\Psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) = \sqrt{n_0} \quad , \qquad \Sigma_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) = \Sigma , Q_{\alpha\alpha'}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau') = Q(\tau-\tau')\,\delta_{\alpha\alpha'} + q + n_0 \quad (15)$$

with the Matsubara decomposition

$$Q(\tau - \tau') = \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{m = -\infty}^{\infty} Q_m e^{-i\omega_m(\tau - \tau')}$$
(16)

and the bosonic Matsubara frequencies $\omega_m = 2\pi m/\beta$. With this ansatz cumulant functions $R^{(n)}$ with $n \ge 3$ in the Eqs. (12) and (14) do not contribute in the replica limit $N \to 0$. Furthermore, the expectation values in (12) and (13) are evaluated as follows. The fluctuation action (14) is of the form

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}^{(N,2)}[\delta\psi^*,\delta\psi] = \int_0^{\hbar\beta} d\tau \int_0^{\hbar\beta} d\tau' \int d^D x \int d^D x' \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \sum_{\alpha'=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \Big(\delta\psi^*_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau), \delta\psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \Big) G_{\alpha\alpha'}^{-1}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau') \left(\begin{array}{c} \delta\psi_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}',\tau')\\ \delta\psi^*_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}',\tau') \end{array} \right) (17)$$

where the Fourier-Matsubara transform of the integral kernel $G_{\alpha\alpha'}^{-1}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau')$ reads

$$G_{\alpha\alpha'}^{-1}(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) = \begin{pmatrix} a(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) & 0\\ 0 & a^*(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) \end{pmatrix} \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} + \begin{pmatrix} b(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) & 0\\ 0 & b^*(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) \end{pmatrix}$$
(18)

with the quantities

$$a(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) = -i\omega_m + \epsilon(\mathbf{k}) - \mu + 2g\Sigma - RQ_m, \qquad b(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) = -R(q + \beta n_0 \,\delta_{m,0}), \tag{19}$$

and the free dispersion $\epsilon(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{k}^2/2M$. Note that we have already performed in (18) the replica limit $N \to 0$ which eliminates the Hartree contribution of the disorder. The Fourier-Matsubara transform of the corresponding Green function follows from algebraically inverting (18) which yields in replica limit $N \to 0$:

$$G_{\alpha\alpha'}(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{a(\mathbf{k},\omega_m)} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{a^*(\mathbf{k},\omega_m)} \end{pmatrix} \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{b(\mathbf{k},\omega_m)}{a(\mathbf{k},\omega_m)^2} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{b^*(\mathbf{k},\omega_m)}{a^*(\mathbf{k},\omega_m)^2} \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (20)

As the Green function contains expectation values according to

$$G_{\alpha\alpha'}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau') = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \delta\psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau)\delta\psi_{\alpha'}^{*}(\mathbf{x}',\tau')\rangle & 0\\ 0 & \langle \delta\psi_{\alpha}^{*}(\mathbf{x},\tau)\delta\psi_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}',\tau')\rangle \end{pmatrix},$$
(21)

we arrive at the expression

$$\langle \delta \psi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x},\tau) \delta \psi^{*}_{\alpha'}(\mathbf{x}',\tau') \rangle = g_{1}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau') \,\delta_{\alpha\alpha'} + g_{2}(\mathbf{x},\tau;\mathbf{x}',\tau') \,, \quad (22)$$

where the respective Fourier-Matsubara coefficients, in the replica limit $N \rightarrow 0$, read

$$g_1(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) = \frac{1}{\beta \left[-i\omega_m + \epsilon(\mathbf{k}) - \mu + 2\Sigma - RQ_m\right]}, (23)$$

$$g_2(\mathbf{k},\omega_m) = \frac{R(q+n_0)\,\delta_{m,0}}{[\epsilon(\mathbf{k})-\mu+2\Sigma-RQ_0]^2}\,.$$
(24)

Evaluating (13) together with (15)-(24) determines the Matsubara coefficients

$$Q_m = -2\pi R \left(\frac{M}{2\pi}\right)^3$$
(25)
$$-2\sqrt{\pi} \left(\frac{M}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2} \sqrt{-i\omega_m - \mu + 2\Sigma + \pi R^2 \left(\frac{M}{2\pi}\right)^3}$$

and the Bose-glass order parameter

$$q = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}R(q+n_0)}{\sqrt{-\mu+2\Sigma - RQ_0}} \left(\frac{M}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2}.$$
 (26)

Inserting these results in (12) and (13) and taking the replica limit $N \rightarrow 0$ we find the Gross-Pitaevskii equation

$$(\mu - 2\Sigma + gn_0 + RQ_0)\sqrt{n_0} = 0$$
 (27)

and the particle density

$$n = \frac{1}{g}\Sigma = q + n_0 + \lim_{\eta \downarrow 0} \sum_{m = -\infty}^{\infty} \frac{Q_m}{\beta} e^{i\omega_m \eta} \,. \tag{28}$$

The remaining Matsubara sum in (28) is evaluated together with (25) by using the zeta function regularization method [Kleinert, 2004]. Applying both the Schwinger trick

$$\frac{1}{a^{\nu}} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu)} \int_0^\infty ds \, s^{\nu-1} \, e^{-as}$$
(29)

with the Gamma function Γ and the Poisson sum formula

$$\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x-m) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i n x}$$
(30)

yields the result

$$\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(-i\hbar\omega_m + a\right)^{\nu} = \frac{\zeta_{\nu+1}\left(e^{-a\beta}\right)}{\beta^{\nu}\,\Gamma(-\nu)} \tag{31}$$

with the standard polylogarithmic function

$$\zeta_{\nu}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^{\nu}}.$$
(32)



FIG. 1: Isotherm in the $(\tilde{\mu}, gn)$ -plane with $\tilde{\mu} = \mu - \pi R^2 (M/2\pi)^3$ for two values of the disorder parameter R. 1: normal Bose gas; 2a, 2b: superfluid with the dimensionless disorder strength $\sqrt{\pi}R(M\beta^{1/3}/2\pi)^{3/2}$ set to 0.2 and 0.48, respectively; 3: Bose glass. The dimensionless coupling constant $g/(2\pi\beta^{1/3}/M)^{3/2}$ is fixed to 1.

With this we obtain finally the equation of state of the system

$$n = \frac{1}{g}\Sigma = q + n_0 + \left(\frac{M}{2\pi\beta}\right)^{3/2} \zeta_{3/2} \left(e^{\beta\mu_r}\right)$$
(33)

with the abbreviation $\mu_r(\mu) = \mu - 2gn(\mu) - \pi R^2 (M/2\pi)^3$ for the renormalized chemical potential. Thus, Eqs. (26), (27), (33), and (25) with m = 0 form a closed set of nonlinear equations which determine the types of order the bosons can establish in the underlying random potential via their quantum statistics and their interaction.

4. Phase Diagram

Let us first consider briefly the superfluid phase defined by $n_0 \neq 0$, as it is well-known from the earlier work [Huang & Meng, 1992; Giorgini *et al.*, 1994; Kobayashi & Tsubota, 2002; Lopatin & Vinokur, 2002; Astrakharchik *et al.*, 2002; Falco *et al.*, 2007]. To this end we solve (27) for the condensate density and use (25) for m = 0, yielding

$$n_0 = \frac{1}{g} \left[\sqrt{-\mu_r} + \sqrt{\pi} R \left(\frac{M}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} \right]^2 \,. \tag{34}$$

Then we determine the Bose-glass order parameter from (26):

$$q = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}R(M/2\pi)^{3/2}}{g\sqrt{-\mu_r}} \left[\sqrt{-\mu_r} + \sqrt{\pi}R\left(\frac{M}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2}\right]^2 . (35)$$

Inserting all results in (33) we find the equation of state for fixed temperature:

$$n = \frac{1}{g\sqrt{-\mu_r}} \left[\sqrt{-\mu_r} + \sqrt{\pi}R \left(\frac{M}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2} \right]^3 + \left(\frac{M}{2\pi\beta}\right)^{3/2} \zeta_{3/2} \left(e^{\beta\mu_r}\right).$$
(36)

A resulting isotherm is given in Fig. 1, where we plot gn for two different disorder-strengths as a function of the

chemical potential $\tilde{\mu} = \mu_r + 2gn(\mu_r) = \mu - \pi R^2 (M/2\pi)^3$ both in units of $k_B T$. The isothermal compressibility $\kappa = n^{-2} \partial n / \partial \mu$ can be read off this graph. The part of the isotherm with $n_0 \neq 0$ consists of two branches and only exists above temperature- and disorder-dependent minimal values $\tilde{\mu} = \tilde{\mu}_m$ and $n = n_m$. The upper branch is locally stable, the lower branch is locally unstable. The stable branch starts at $\tilde{\mu} = \tilde{\mu}_m$ with infinite compressibility and, for large number density smoothly approaches from below the curve $n = [\tilde{\mu} - 3\sqrt{\pi}R(M/2\pi)^{3/2}\sqrt{\tilde{\mu}} +$ $6\pi R^2 (M/2\pi)^3]/g$. The lower unstable branch likewise starts at $\tilde{\mu} = \tilde{\mu}_m$ with negative infinite compressibility, passes through a state of vanishing compressibility and, for large $\tilde{\mu}$, approaches from above the line $n = \tilde{\mu}/2q$. All this is qualitatively the same as in the case without disorder, where it is well-known that, in the HFapproximation, BEC appears via a first-order transition (cf. [Fließer et al., 2001] and references therein). The latent heat of the transition comes from the additional repulsive Fock exchange interaction in the gas and the glass phase, which is absent for particles in the condensate. The new additional aspect here is that the corresponding mean-field HF equations in the presence of disorder predict that $|\psi|^2 \neq 0$ implies also $q \neq 0$, i.e. that the presence of a global condensate implies also the presence of mini-condensates if the potential has a disordered component. The inverse is not true, however, as we shall now see.

To this end we turn to the branch of the isotherm with $n_0 = 0$. It consists of the normal Bose-gas branch obtained by solving (27) with $n_0 = 0$, then (26) with q = 0, and finding the equation of state from (33):

$$n = \left(\frac{M}{2\pi\beta}\right)^{3/2} \zeta_{3/2}(e^{\beta\mu_r}).$$
(37)

This part of the isotherm ends in a critical point at the critical particle number density $n_c = (M/2\pi\beta_c)^{3/2}\zeta(3/2)$ and chemical potential $\tilde{\mu}_c = 2gn_c$ or, equivalently, $\mu_r =$ 0. In addition, however, we find a Bose-glass part of the isotherm $(n_0 = 0, q \neq 0)$ along $n = \tilde{\mu}/2g$, i.e. $\mu_r = 0$, for $\tilde{\mu} > \tilde{\mu}_c, n > n_c$, which starts in the critical point with a continuous phase transition. It turns out to have the same critical temperature $T_c^0 = 2\pi [n/\zeta(3/2)]^{2/3}/k_B M$ as the BEC transition of the ideal Bose gas, where $\zeta(\nu) = \zeta_{\nu}(1)$ denotes the Riemann zeta function. This means that the interaction has a negligible effect at the formation of the independent mini-condensates, which make up the Bose-glass phase. Furthermore, it has the finite compressibility $\kappa = 1/2gn^2$ and is locally stable. This part of the isotherm is found by again solving (27)for $n_0 = 0$, but now solving (26) for arbitrary $q \neq 0$ by putting $\sqrt{\pi}R(M/2\pi)^{3/2} = \sqrt{-\mu + 2\Sigma - RQ_0}$, which corresponds to $\mu_r = 0$, so the equation of state reads

$$n = \frac{1}{2g} \left[\mu - \pi R^2 \left(\frac{M}{2\pi} \right)^3 \right] , \qquad (38)$$

and finally solving (33) by $q = n - n_c$. The isotherm with

the normal part and the Bose-glass part is also indicated in Fig. 1. Also indicated there is the value $\tilde{\mu}_M$ of $\tilde{\mu}$ for the coexistence between superfluid and normal or Bose-glass, respectively, which is fixed by the Maxwell-construction. To the left (resp. right) of this value the normal or Boseglass state (resp. superfluid state) are absolutely stable. Thus, for the two cases of the disorder strength exhibited in Fig. 1 only the case with the larger disorder permits a stable Bose-glass state.

We shall now focus our discussion on properties of the Bose-glass phase. As we saw it is characterized by the absence of off-diagonal long-range order in space $(n_0 = 0)$ but the presence of long-range order in time $(q \neq 0)$, like in a spin-glass phase. Note that the appearance of q spontaneously breaks the continuous $U(1)^N$ -symmetry for N-replicas to a joint U(1)-symmetry. The latter is only spontaneously broken if also $n_0 \neq 0$.

To see that the superfluid density vanishes in the Boseglass phase we apply an infinitesimal Galilean boost with velocity $\delta \mathbf{u}$, using the Galilei-invariance of the distribution of the random potential $V(\mathbf{x})$, and determine the linear response of the momentum density $\overline{\delta \mathbf{g}} = M n_n \delta \mathbf{u}$, which defines the normal gas density n_n . A direct evaluation yields $n_n = g_1(\mathbf{x}, \tau; \mathbf{x}, \tau^+) + g_2(\mathbf{x}, \tau; \mathbf{x}, \tau^+)$, thus the normal density contains a Bose-glass contribution via g_2 . The superfluid density n_s , which is defined by $n_s = n - n_n$, turns out to be equal to n_0 which, as we have seen, vanishes in the pure localized phase.

The localization of the Bose-glass states can be inferred from the spatial exponential fall-off of the correlation function $g_2(\mathbf{x}, \tau; \mathbf{x}', \tau')$ describing correlations of the locally condensed component. Eq. (24) allows us to extract the temperature-independent localization length $\xi_x = 2\pi/M^2 R$. Since the HF-approximation is an effective free-particle theory, this localization length is independent of both the number density n and the interaction strength g. The same localization length is found by studying the Anderson localization of a particle of mass M in a spatial white-noise potential [Edwards & Muthukumar, 1988].

From (23) and (25) follows the spectral function $A_1(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = -2\Im[g_1(\omega_m, \mathbf{k})|_{i\omega_m = \omega - i0}]$ of the excitations

$$A_1(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{2\pi R\rho(\omega)}{\left(\omega + \mu_r - \frac{\mathbf{k}^2 - \xi_x^{-2}}{2M}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\mathbf{k}}{M\xi_x}\right)^2}$$
(39)

with the density of states

$$\overline{\rho(\omega)} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{M}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2} \sqrt{\omega + \mu_r} \Theta(\omega + \mu_r). \quad (40)$$

Thus, the excitations are resonances with energies larger than $-\mu_r = -\mu + 2gn + 1/2M\xi_x^2$, width $\gamma = |\mathbf{k}|/M\xi_x$, and wave numbers larger than the inverse localization length ξ_x . The size $-\mu_r$ of the energy gap in the normal phase and the value of the chemical potential $\mu = 2gn + 1/2M\xi_x^2$ in the gapless localized phase contain the mean-field shift due to the repulsive interaction but also the quantum



FIG. 2: Schematic phase diagram in the disordertemperature plane where density and s-wave scattering length are kept fixed. Thick and thin lines represent first order and continuous phase transitions, respectively.

mechanical localization energy of the particles of mass M. The gap $-\mu_r$ in the normal phase disappears at the transition to the Bose-glass phase and remains zero in that phase. For $\omega \to 0$ the density of states then goes to zero as $\sqrt{\omega}$. Note that our finding differs qualitatively from the lattice case where the density of states remains non-zero in the limit $\omega \to 0$ [Fisher *et al.*, 1989; Ma *et al.*, 1993; Singh & Rokhsar, 1994]. We expect that a thorough study of the continuum limit of the lattice system would show that this density of states tends to zero in that limit and, thereby, permit to confirm our result.

5. Conclusion

In conclusion we have described a simple mean-field HF approach to the weakly interacting disordered Bose-gas. Within a single approach this leads to the existence and possible coexistence of a superfluid phase and a localized Bose-glass phase. To illustrate our results further, let us briefly discuss the system also in the temperaturedisorder (T, R)-plane at fixed particle-number density (see Fig. 2). At R = 0 there is a critical temperature T_c at which the superfluid (stable for $T < T_c$) and the normal Bose-gas (stable for $T > T_c$) coexist. Note that, due to the weak repulsive interaction with $an^{1/3} \ll 1$ (where $a = Mg/4\pi$ is the s-wave scattering length), this T_c is larger than the critical temperature of the ideal Bose gas T_c^0 by about $\Delta T_c = T_c - T_c^0 \approx 1.3 a n^{1/3} T_c^0$ (cf. [Kastening, 2004] and references therein). Increasing R the isotherm in Fig. 1 shifts in such a way (to the right) that $T_c(R)$ for fixed *n* decreases. There is then a critical minimal value R_c of R at which $\tilde{\mu}_M = \tilde{\mu}_c$ above which $T_c(R)$ drops below T_c^0 , which is the critical temperature for the appearance of the localized Bose-glass phase. For stronger disorder the normal high-temperature phase upon cooling first makes a continuous transition to the localized phase, which is then followed by a first-order transition to the Bose-condensed phase. These predictions should be amply testable in current state-of-the-art experiments.

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