

SOLITON ASSISTED HYPERCONDUCTIVITY OF LOW- DIMENSIONAL SYSTEMS: role of electron-phonon coupling and lattice anharmonicity

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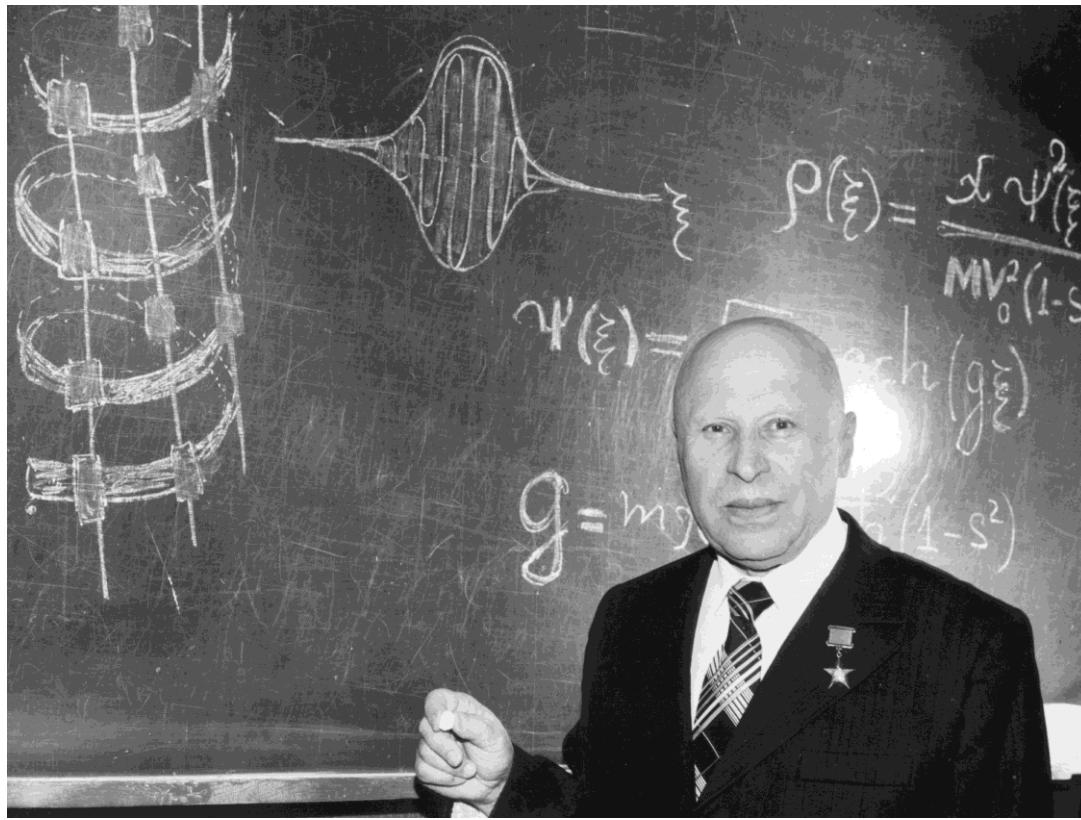
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Alexander Davydov (26.12.1912-19.02.1993)

“...the nonlinear states are as fundamental, as are quasi-particles in linear theories”

(Davydov, **Theory of Molecular Solitons**, Dordrecht, Reidel, 1985)

- Davydov's soliton and electrosoliton, localized 1D modes, quodons
- Bisoliton
- Bisolelectron in a lattice with cubic or quartic anharmonicity
- Account of the Coulomb repulsion
- Supersonic bisolelectron
- Conclusions

Low-dimensional systems

There is a large class of **low-dimensional systems**, which demonstrate **nonlinear properties and hyperconductivity**.

Some examples:

macromolecules (proteins and DNA) ;

polydiacetylene (Wilson, J Phys C16, 6739 (1983).; Donovan, Wilson, Phil Mag B 44, 9, 31(1981); J Phys C 18, L-51 (1985); Gogolin, JETP Lett 43, 511 (1986));

conducting polymers and platinum chain compounds (P. Monceau (Ed.), Electronic Properties of Inorganic Quasi-One-Dimensional Compounds, Part II (Reidel, Dordrecht)

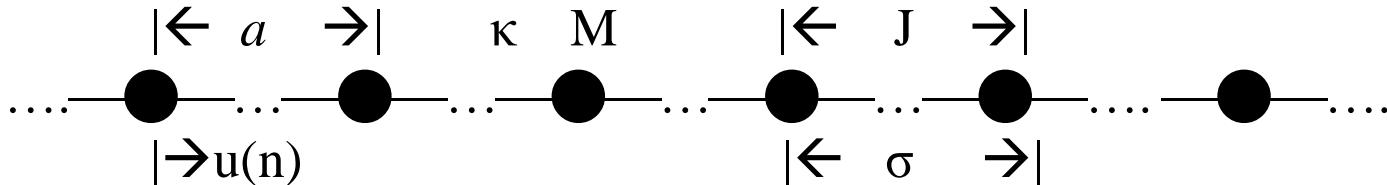
Bechgaard salts, salts of transition metals (PbSe,PbTe,PbS) (Streetman,. Banerjee, Solid State Electronic Devices, Prentice-Hall, N.J.; Zhang et al PRB 80, 024303 (2009); Madelung, Roessler Schultz (Eds.), PdO Crystal Structure, Lattice Parameters, Thermal Expansion. V. 41D, Springer, Berlin, 1998; Androulakis et al PRB 83 195209 (2011));

superconducting cuprates (Falter et al, PRB 64, 054516 (2001); Bohnen et al Europhys Lett 64, 104 (2003); Devereaux et al, PRL 93 117004 (2004); Reznik et al Nature 440, 1170 (2006); Kresin et al Rev Mod Phys 81, 481 (2009); Newns, Tsuei, Nature Physics 3, 184 (2007).

Many of them find numerous applications in **microelectronics and nanotechnologies**, or play important role in **living systems**.

Molecular (Davydov's) solitons

- Role of **electron-lattice coupling**
- Consider an isolated molecular **chain**



- **Nonlinear system:** (electron & lattice deformation) + **interaction**
- **Self-trapping** of electrons (molecular excitation) in the **self-induced** local deformation of the chain (comp. **polaron**)
- System of **nonlinear** coupled equations can be reduced to the **Nonlinear Schrödinger equation**

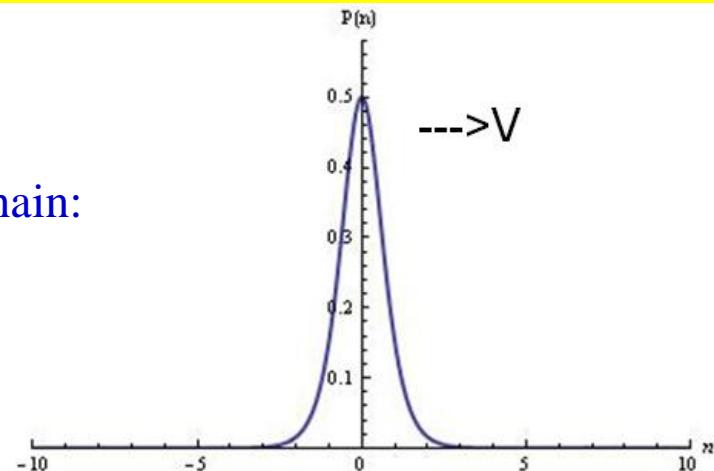
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} + J \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial \xi^2} + 2Jg|\Psi|^2\Psi = E\Psi,$$

$$g = \frac{\sigma^2}{2J\kappa(1-s^2)}, \quad s^2 = V^2 / V_{ac}^2$$

- **Soliton** solution:

$$\Psi_s(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g} \frac{\exp[i(kx - \Phi_s(t))]}{\cosh[g(x - Vt/a)/2]}$$

Soliton profile



Probability of electron localization in a molecular chain:

- **Soliton** – self-trapped localized state of an electron or molecular excitation in a one-dimensional molecular chain. It is a bound state of a quasiparticle and local chain deformation. It is formed in the result of the quasiparticle self-trapping by the local deformation created by the particle itself.
- **Stability**: soliton has **the energy** lower than the energy of a free electron! It propagates (almost) **without energy dissipation** and provides **coherent electron (energy) transport** at $T < T_{cr}$
- Existence of **optimal temperature** T_0 (comp. **hyperconductivity**)

Bisoliton

- **Self-trapping** of **two** extra electrons (holes) with opposite spins in the self-induced local deformation of a chain:

$$H = H_e + H_{ph} + H_{int} =$$
$$\sum_{k,\sigma} E(k) a_{k,\sigma}^+ a_{k,\sigma} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_q [P_q^+ P_q + \omega^2(q) Q_q^+ Q_q] + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k,q,\sigma} \chi(k,q) a_{k+q,\sigma}^+ a_{k,\sigma} Q_q$$

- At intermediate value of electron-phonon interaction (**adiabatic approximation**) the vector state is:
$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \sum \psi_{n,m}(t) e^{S(t)} B_n^+ B_m^+ |0\rangle$$
- which leads to **bisoliton** (large polaron) **state**

Bisoliton

The Hamiltonian leads to the system of nonlinear equations which in the **continuum approximation** can be reduced to **nonlinear** coupled equations can be reduced to the **2-component Nonlinear Schrödinger equation**

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi_j}{\partial t} + J \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_j}{\partial \xi_j^2} + 2J(g_1|\Psi_1|^2 + g_2|\Psi_2|^2)\Psi_j = E_j\Psi_j,$$

Here $j=1,2$ and

$$g_j = \frac{\chi^2}{2JK(1-s_j^2)}, \quad s_j^2 = \frac{V_j^2}{V_{ac}^2}.$$

LB, A.S. Davydov, J. LTP, 1984, **10**, 748; J. LTP, 1987, **13**, 1222; Phys. Stat. Sol. (b), 1987, **143**, 689.

LB, J. LTP, 1986, **12**, 437-438

Bisoliton

2-component NLS has two types of solutions:

- Two almost independent **isolated solitons** in two separate potential wells:

$$\Psi_j(x, t) = \Psi_s(x + l_j, t), \quad l_1 \gg l_2.$$

- **Bisoliton solution** (both electrons (holes) in the common well). The lowest energy state is at $V_1=V_2$, hence, $g_1=g_2$. Then

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi_j}{\partial t} + J \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_j}{\partial \xi_j^2} + 2Jg (|\Psi_1|^2 + |\Psi_2|^2) \Psi_j = E_{bs} \Psi_j.$$

It's solution:

$$\Psi_{bs}(x, t) = \sqrt{\frac{g}{2}} \frac{\exp[i(kx - \Phi_{bs}(t))]}{\cosh[g(x - Vt/a)]}.$$

Bisoliton vs soliton parameters

- Width:

$$l_s = \pi / g,$$

$$\underline{l_{bs} = \pi / 2g = l_s / 2.}$$

- Mass :

$$m_s = m_e + \delta m = m_e \left(1 + \frac{M\chi^4}{6\hbar^2 \kappa^3} \right),$$

$$\underline{m_{bs} = 2m_s + \Delta m}$$

- Energy:

$$E_s(0) = -\frac{1}{12} J {g_0}^2,$$

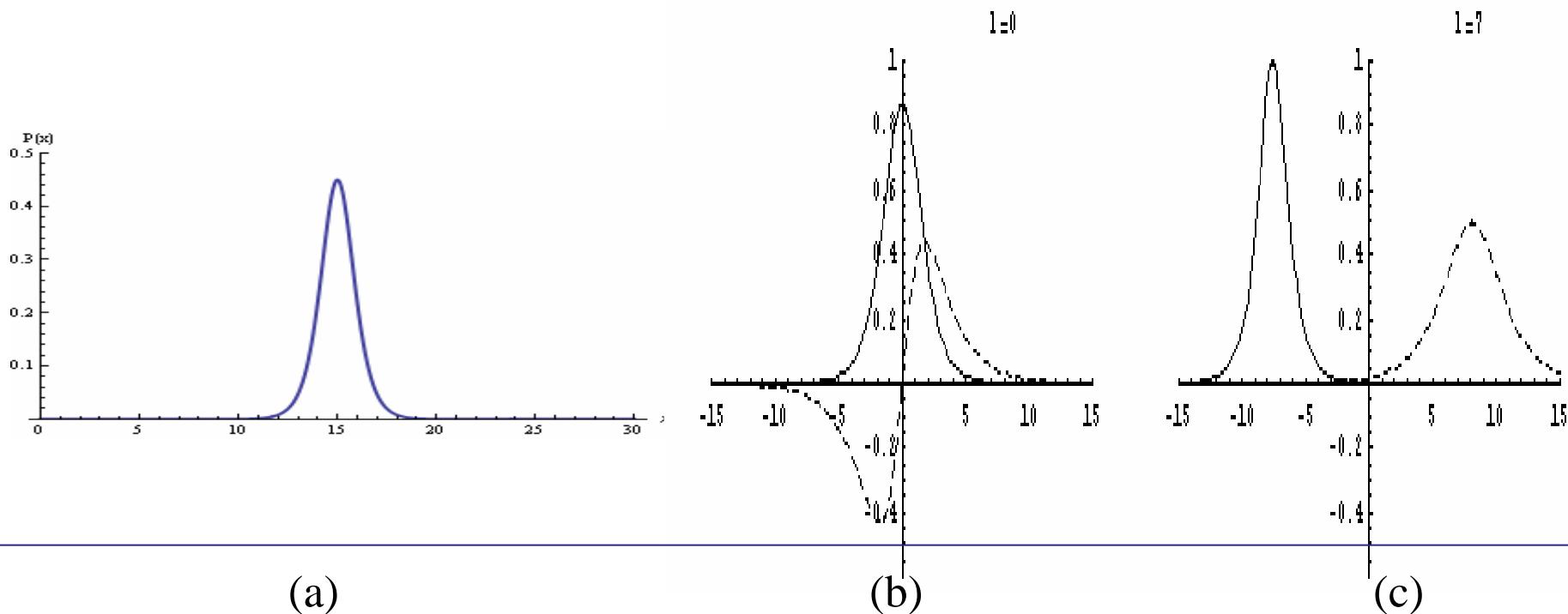
$$E_{bs}(0) = -\frac{2}{3} J {g_0}^2 = 8E_s(0),$$

- Binding energy:

$$E_{bind}(V) = 2E_s(V) - E_{bs}(V) = \frac{J {g_0}^2 (1 - 5s^2)}{2(1 - s^2)^3} = F(V).$$

Bisoliton wave functions

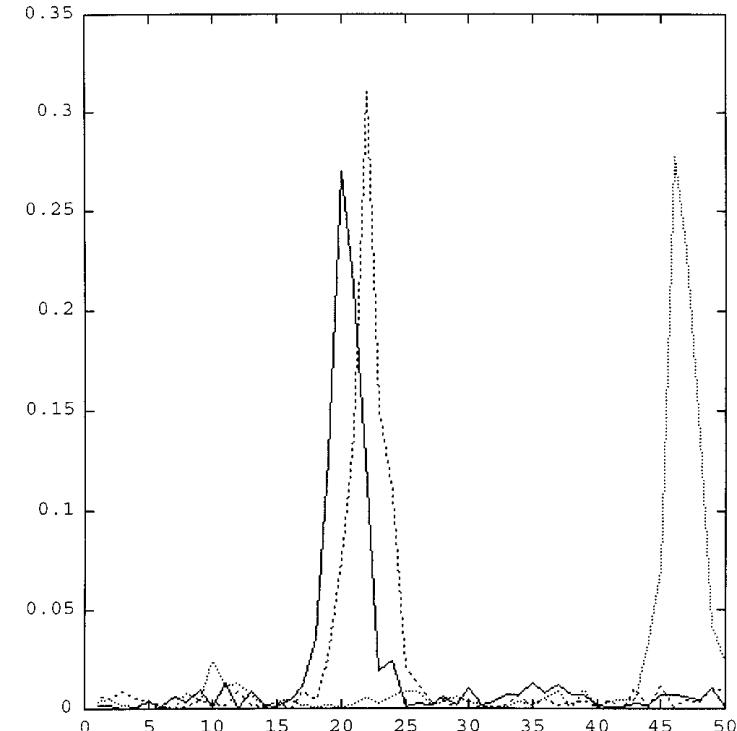
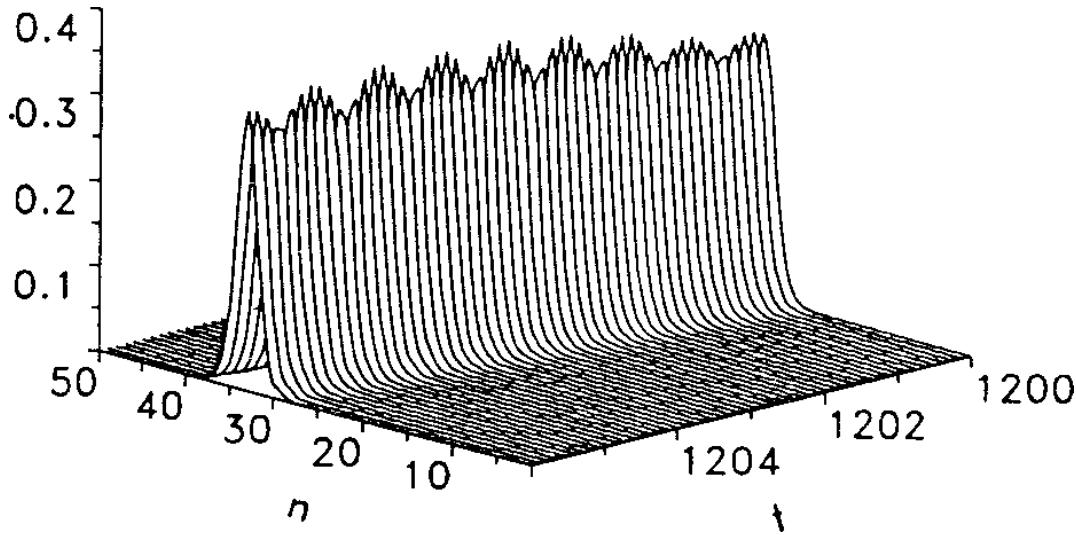
➤ **Triplet state:** The Pauli principle does not allow electrons to occupy the same level in a potential well, and, as a result, the two separated potential wells are formed in a chain, with one energy level in each. (*LB, A.Eremko, PSS (b) 182 (1994) 89*). This solution describes also the **1st excited singlet bisoliton state**



Charge density distributions in a soliton (a) singlet bisoliton (b), bound triplet states (c)

Localized modes

- With account of lattice discreteness solitons are **breathers** (comp. **quodons**)



*Amplitude of the soliton envelope as a function of the lattice site n for different times in different time-scales.
Right: $t=60$ - solid line, 80 – dashed line, and 100 - dotted line.*

- Bisoliton** width depends on its velocity: $l_{bs}(V)=l_{bs}(0)/(1-V^2/V_{ac}^2)$
Hence, **shrinking** at $V \rightarrow V_{ac}$.

- Bisoliton** is stable at $V^2 < V_{ac}^2/5$

Role of lattice anharmonicity:

- In this model a lattice was treated in the **harmonic approximation**
- Role of **anharmonicity** (*A.Davydov, A.Zolotaryuk; A.Zolotaryuk, A.Savin; Y.Gaididei, S.Mingaleev; ...*) -> change of soliton properties, supersonic **solitons**
- Solitons do exist in **anharmonic lattices** - FPU, Toda, ...
- **Bisoliton (biselectron)** in **anharmonic lattice**:
Cubic anharmonicity: *Velarde, Brizhik, Chetverikov, Cruzeiro, Ebeling, Roepke, IJQC 2012, 110, 551-565;*
Quartic anharmonicityy: *Velarde, Brizhik, Chetverikov, Cruzeiro, Ebeling, Roepke, IJQC, 2012, 112, 2591-2598*

Hamiltonian of the system

Consider a 1D chain with 2 extra electrons ($j=1,2$) . Total Hamiltonian:

$$H = H_{el} + H_{lat} + H_{int}$$

$$H_{el} = \sum_{j=1,2} \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_j^* \left[E_0 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] \Psi_j dz \quad H_{lat} = \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{M}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \beta}{\partial t} \right)^2 + U(\rho) \right] dz$$
$$H_{int} = -\chi \sum_{j=1,2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(z, t) |\Psi_j(z, t)|^2 dz$$

$$\rho(z, t) = -a \partial \beta / \partial z \quad - \text{deformation of the chain.}$$

General case of the potential:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho}(\rho = 0) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \rho^2}(\rho) > 0 \quad \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \rho^2}(\rho = 0) = 1$$

Normalization condition

$$\frac{1}{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi_j(z, t)|^2 dz = 1$$

System of nonlinear equations

- In the continuum approximation we get the system of equations.:
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi_j}{\partial t} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_j}{\partial z^2} + \chi a \rho(z, t) \Psi_j = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \beta}{\partial t^2} - V_{ac}^2 \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 \beta}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\chi a}{M} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(|\Psi_1|^2 + |\Psi_2|^2 \right)$$

- Translational symmetry --> $\xi = (z - z_0 - Vt)/a$

$$\Psi_j(z, t) = \Phi_j(\xi) \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \left[mVz - E_j t - \frac{1}{2} mV^2 t \right] + i\varphi_j(t) \right\}$$

- Introduce dimensionless parameters:

$$\lambda_j = -\frac{E_j}{J}, \quad \sigma = \frac{\chi a}{J}, \quad D = \frac{\chi a}{MV_{ac}^2}$$

System of nonlinear equations

- We obtain the **system of equations**

$$\frac{d^2\Phi_j}{d\xi^2} + \sigma\rho(\xi)\Phi_j(\xi) = \lambda_j\Phi_j(\xi),$$

$$\frac{dF(\rho)}{d\rho} = D(\Phi_1^2(\xi) + \Phi_2^2(\xi)),$$

where F is the *effective* lattice potential $F(\rho) = U(\rho) - \frac{1}{2}s^2\rho^2$

From the first equation we get:

$$\left(\frac{d\Phi_j}{d\xi} \right)^2 = \lambda_j\Phi_j^2(\xi) - \sigma Q_j(\xi)$$

where

$$Q_j(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\xi} \rho(x)d\Phi_j^2(x)$$

Lattice deformation

- This gives:

$$\frac{d\rho}{d\xi} = \pm 2 \frac{dF/d\rho}{d^2F/d\rho^2} \sqrt{\lambda - \sigma G(\rho)}$$

Hence,

$$\xi(\rho) = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\sigma}} \int_{\rho(\xi)}^{\rho_0} \frac{d^2F/d\rho^2}{dF/d\rho} \frac{1}{\sqrt{G(\rho_0) - G(\rho)}} d\rho$$

Here

$$G(\rho) = \rho - \frac{F(\rho)}{dF/d\rho} \quad \lambda = \sigma G(\rho_0)$$

- From the normalization condition we have:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi^2(\xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{D} \int_0^{\rho_0} \left| \frac{dF}{d\rho} \right| d\rho = 1$$

Hence,

$$\int_0^{\rho_0} \frac{d^2F/d\rho^2}{\sqrt{G(\rho_0) - G(\rho)}} d\rho = 2D\sqrt{\sigma}$$

$$\Phi_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2D} \left(\frac{dF}{d\rho} \right) \Big|_{\rho=\rho_0}}$$

Energy and momentum

- From the Hamiltonian we calculate **the energy**

$$E_{tot}^{(bs)}(V) = mV^2 + E^{(bs)}(V) + W(V)$$

$$E^{(bs)}(V) = -2\lambda J = -2DG(\rho_0)MV_{ac}^2$$

$$W(V) = 2MV_{ac}^2 \int_{-\infty}^0 (F(\rho) + s^2 \rho^2) d\xi = \frac{MV_{ac}^2}{\sqrt{\sigma}} \int_0^{\rho_0} \frac{d^2 F / d\rho^2}{dF / d\rho} \frac{F(\rho) + s^2 \rho^2}{\sqrt{G(\rho_0) - G(\rho)}} d\rho$$

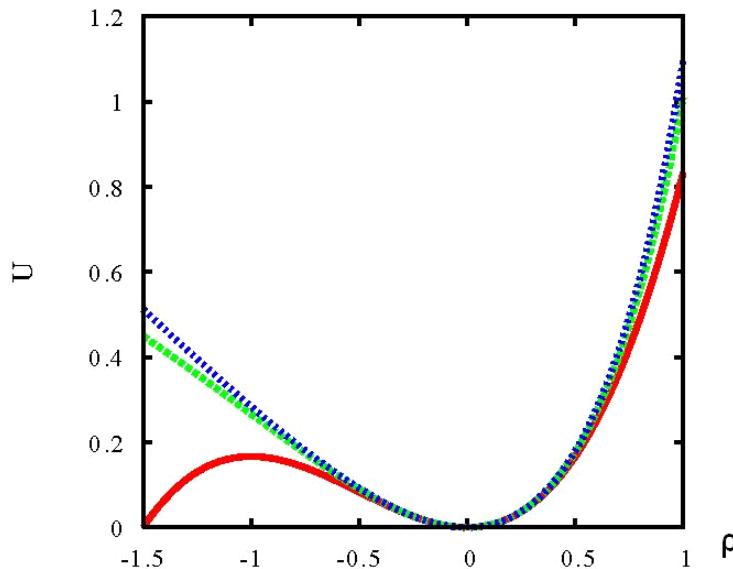
and **momentum** of the system

$$P(V) = \left(2m + M \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho^2 d\xi \right) V = \left(2m + \frac{M}{\sqrt{\sigma}} \int_0^{\rho_0} \frac{d^2 F / d\rho^2}{dF / d\rho} \frac{\rho^2}{\sqrt{G(\rho_0) - G(\rho)}} d\rho \right) V$$

Cubic anharmonic potential

- Consider cubic anharmonic potential

$$U(\rho) = \frac{1}{2}\rho^2 + \frac{\alpha}{3}\rho^3$$



Lattice potentials, U , given by Morse (green line), Toda (blue line) and cubic (red line) potentials with suitably rescaled parameters fixing approximately equal their first three derivatives around a common minimum placed at zero in the abscissa which accounts for dimensionless lattice inter-particle equilibrium distance, r .

- The effective potential: $F(\rho) = \frac{1}{2}\alpha\rho^2\left(\frac{2}{3}\rho + \delta_c\right)$ $\delta_c = \frac{1-s^2}{\alpha}$

- Consider lattice with **quartic anharmonic potential**

$$U(\rho) = \frac{1}{2}\rho^2 + \frac{\beta}{4}\rho^4$$

- The effective potential:

$$F(\rho) = \frac{1}{4}\beta\rho^2(\rho^2 + 2\delta_q)$$

$$\delta_q = \frac{1 - s^2}{\beta}$$

From the system of equations we get

$$\left(\frac{d\Phi(\xi)}{d\xi} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2D} \frac{dF}{d\rho} (\lambda - \sigma G)$$

Here

$$G(\rho) = \rho - \frac{F(\rho)}{dF/d\rho} = \frac{\rho}{4} \frac{3\rho^2 + 2\delta}{\rho^2 + \delta}$$

We obtain the equation

$$\frac{d\rho}{d\xi} = \pm 2\sqrt{\sigma} \frac{dF/d\rho}{d^2F/d\rho^2} \sqrt{G(\rho_0) - G(\rho)}$$

Integrating it, we get

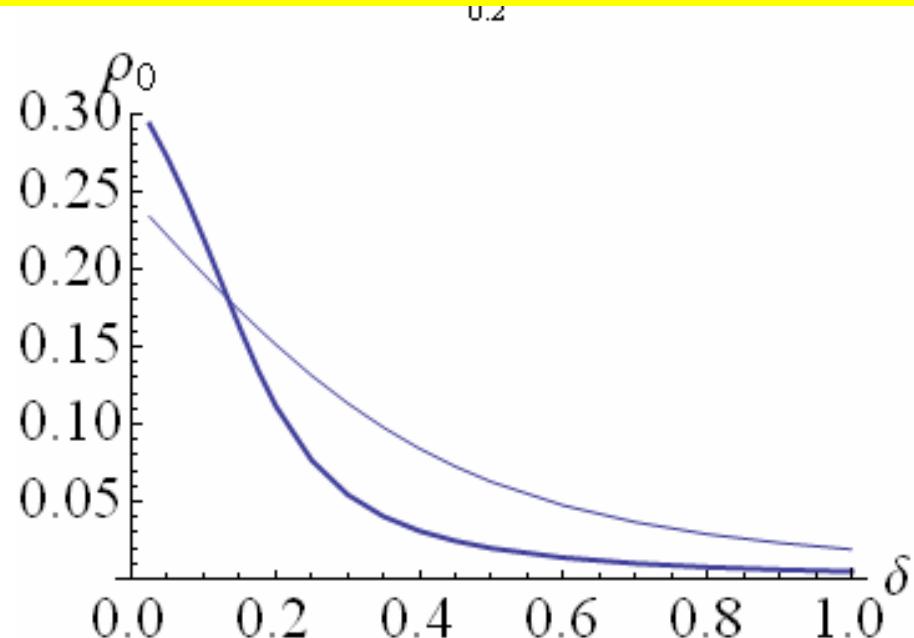
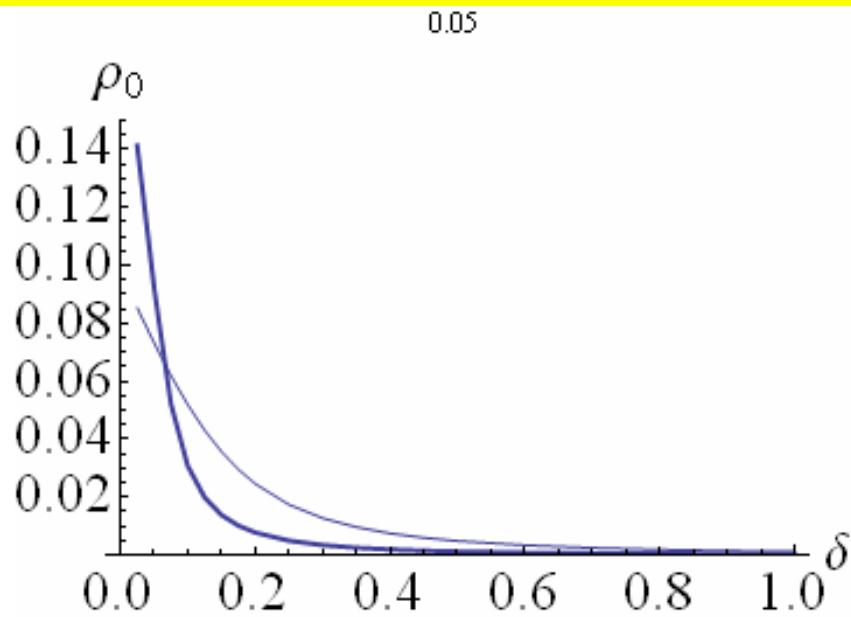
$$\rho(\xi) = \rho_0 \operatorname{Sech}^2(\kappa\xi)$$

Here ρ_0 is **the maximum value of the deformation.**

The inverse width of the lattice deformation localization is:

$$\kappa = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma\rho_0}{2}}$$

Lattice deformation



Maximum value of the lattice deformation ρ_0 , as a function of the dynamically modulated inverse anharmonic stiffness coefficient δ , in lattices with quartic (thick line) and cubic (thin line) anharmonicity for two values of electron-lattice coupling constant. Left figure: $G=0.025$, right figure: $G=0.1$

Here G is the dimensionless electron-lattice coupling constant:

$$G^2 = \frac{D^2 \sigma}{\alpha^2}$$

$$G^2 = \frac{D^2 \sigma}{\beta^2}$$

Cubic anharmonic potential

Bisoliton wave function:

$$\Phi(\xi) = \sqrt{\frac{\rho_0}{2D}} \operatorname{Sech}(\kappa\xi) \sqrt{1 + s^2 + \alpha\rho_0 \operatorname{Sech}^2(\kappa\xi)}$$

Bisoliton energy:

$$E^{(bs)}(V) = -DMV_{ac}^2 \rho_0 \frac{\frac{4}{3}\rho_0 + \delta}{\rho_0 + \delta}$$

Energy of the deformation:

$$W(V) \approx \frac{MV_{ac}^2}{3\sqrt{\sigma}} \rho_0^{3/2} \left(\frac{8}{15} \alpha \rho_0 + 1 + s^2 \right)$$

- Total momentum:

$$P(V) \approx \left(2m + \frac{2M\rho_0^{3/2}}{3\sqrt{\sigma}} \right) \cdot V$$

- **Binding energy of the bisoliton is positive:**

$$2E^{(s)}(V) - E^{bs}(V) = \chi a \rho_0^{(s)} \frac{\frac{4}{3}\rho_0^{(s)} + \delta}{\rho_0^{(s)} + \delta} > 0$$

- Bisoliton effective mass

$$\Delta M = M_{eff}^{(bs)} - 2M_{eff}^{(s)} \approx \frac{2M}{3\sqrt{\sigma}} 2.8 \rho_0^{(s)3/2}$$

Bisolelectron wave function and energy:

$$\Phi(\xi) = \sqrt{\frac{\rho_0}{2D}} \operatorname{Sech}(\kappa\xi) \sqrt{1 - s^2 + \beta \rho_0^2 \operatorname{Sech}^4(\kappa\xi)}$$

$$E_{tot}^{(bs)}(V) = mV^2 + E^{(bs)}(V) + W(V)$$

$$E^{(bs)}(V) = -\frac{1}{2} DMV_{ac}^2 \rho_0 \frac{3\rho_0^3 + 2\delta}{\rho_0^2 + \delta}$$

$$W(V) \approx 8 \frac{MV_{ac}^2}{\sqrt{2\sigma}} \rho_0^{3/2} \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(s^2 + \frac{1}{2} \delta \beta \right) + \frac{2}{35} \beta \rho_0^2 \right]$$

Account of the Coulomb repulsion

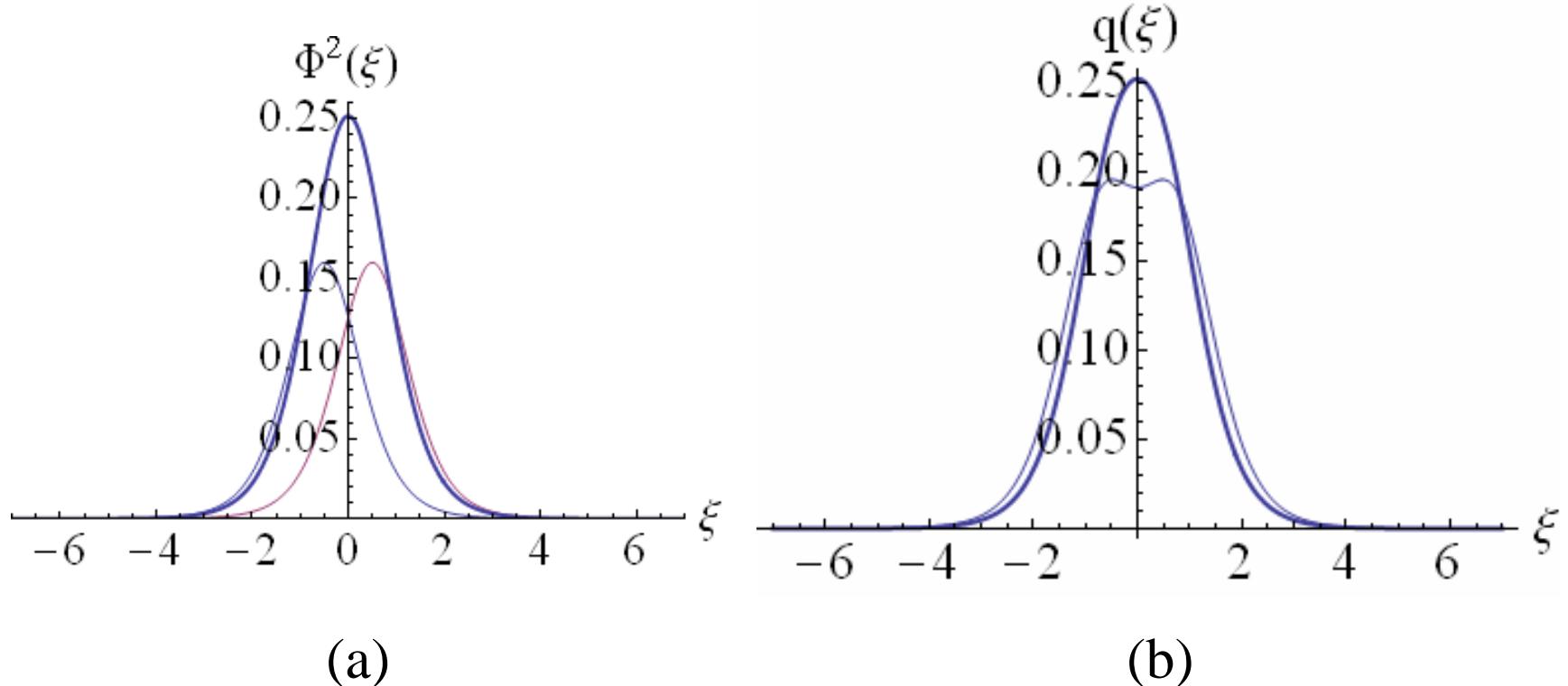
One-electron wave functions (lattice with **quartic** anharmonicity):

$$\Phi_i(\xi) \approx \sqrt{\frac{\rho_0}{2D}} \operatorname{Sech} \left(\kappa \left(\xi \pm \frac{l}{2} \right) \right) \sqrt{1 + \gamma \rho_0^2} \operatorname{Sech}^4 \left(\kappa \left(\xi \pm \frac{l}{2} \right) \right)$$

Here l is the **distance between the two maxima**. It is determined from the condition of the energy minimum for a biselectron with account of the Coulomb repulsion. This gives:

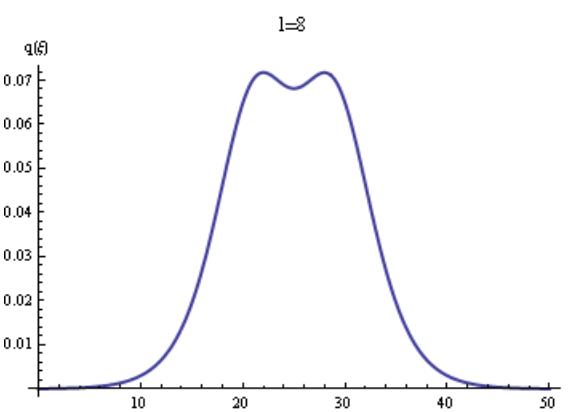
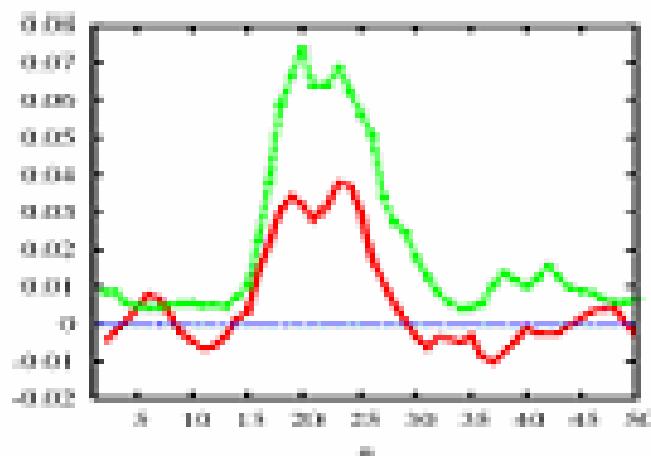
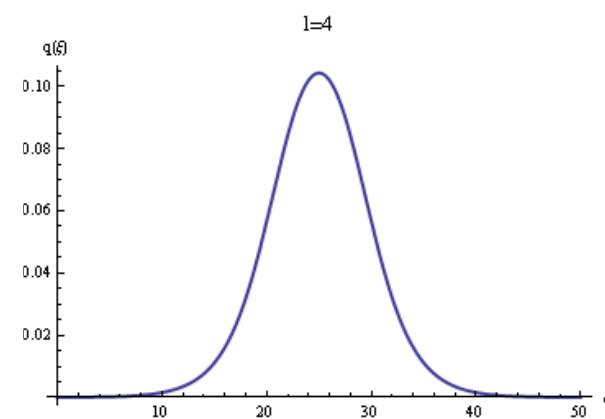
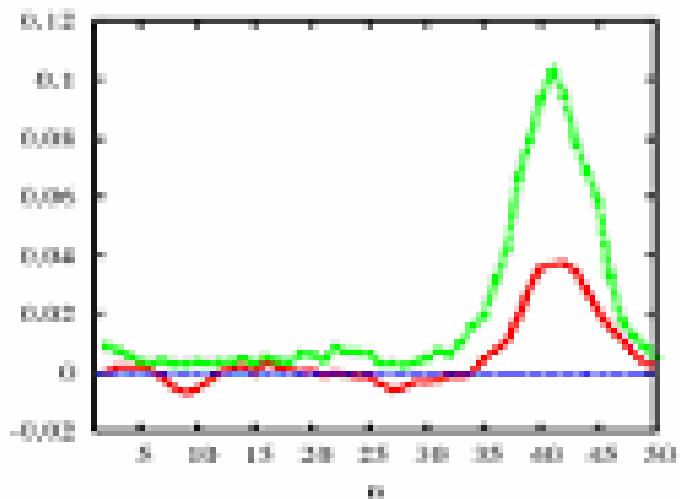
$$l_0 \approx \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3De^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\chi a^2\rho_0^2\kappa} \right)^{1/3}$$

Account of the Coulomb repulsion



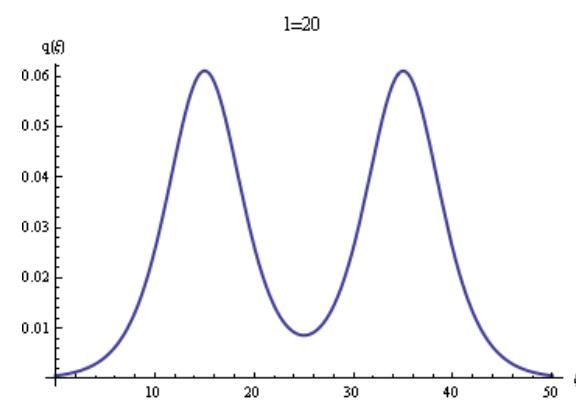
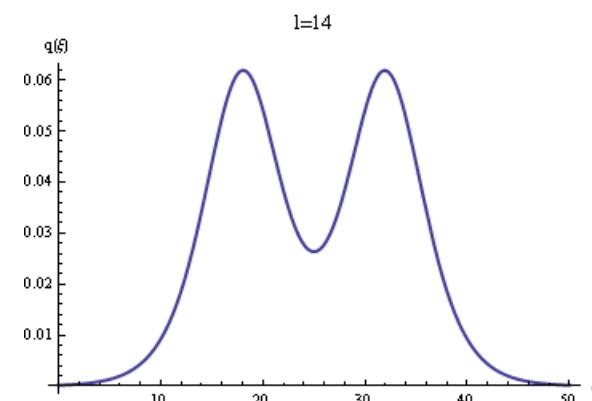
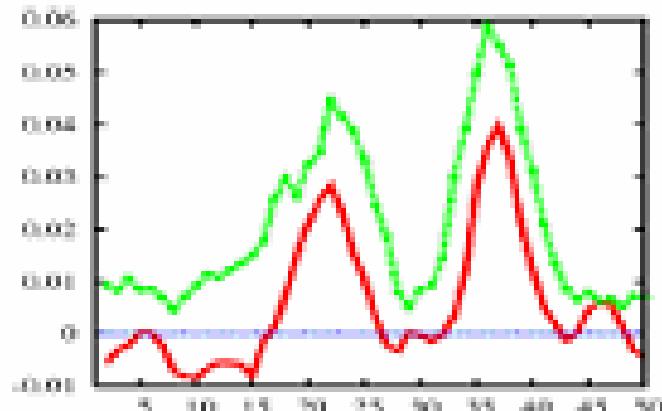
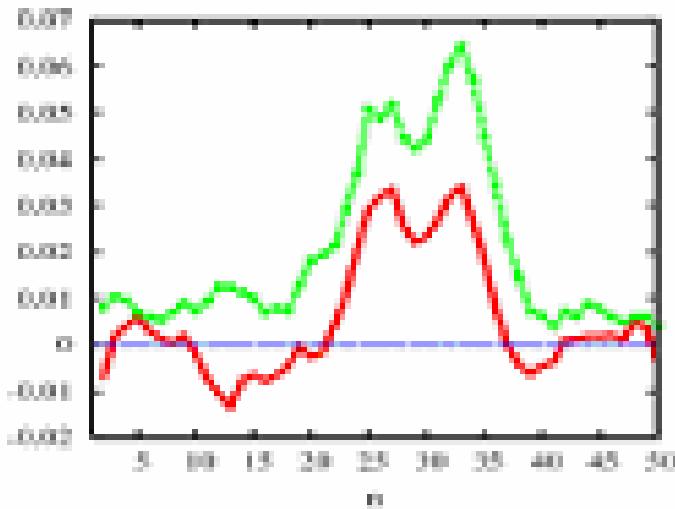
(a) *One-electron wave functions (thin lines) and bisolelectron wave function (thick line) with account of the Coulomb repulsion, for $\kappa=1$ and $l=1$.* (b) *Charge distribution over the lattice sites in the bisolelectron state for $\kappa=1$ for $l=1$ (thick line) and $l=1.5$ (thin line).*

Coulomb repulsion in bisoliton



Comparison of the charge distribution obtained in numerical simulation of the Morse lattice with Hubbard repulsion (left, green) and analytical model (right) for two different values of Coulomb repulsion, $U_1 < U_2$

Coulomb repulsion in bisoliton



Comparison of charge distribution obtained in numerical simulation of the Morse lattice with Hubbard repulsion (left, green) and analytical model (right) for two different values of Coulomb repulsion, $U_1 < U_2 < U_3 < U_4$

Supersonic bisoliton and bisolelectron

- **Supersonic bisolitons** are possible in chains when $J > \frac{1}{2}MV_{ac}^2$
- In this regime **nonlinear dispersion of the lattice** is important. It's account leads to **improved Boussinesq equation**

$$\frac{\partial^2 \rho(\xi, \tau)}{\partial \tau^2} - \frac{\partial^2 u(\rho)}{\partial \xi^2} - \frac{1}{12} \frac{\partial^4 \rho(\xi, \tau)}{\partial \xi^2 \partial \tau^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \Phi^2(\xi, \tau)}{\partial \xi^2} = 0$$

corresponding to the **lattice dispersion**

$$\omega_1^2(k) = \frac{k^2}{1 + k^2/12} \quad k = \text{Arc cos } \sqrt{1 - \frac{s^2}{4j^2}} \quad j = \frac{J}{MV_{ac}^2}, \quad u = \frac{U}{MV_{ac}^2},$$

or to the **ill-posed Boussinesq equation**

$$\frac{\partial^2 \rho(\xi, \tau)}{\partial \tau^2} - \frac{\partial^2 u(\rho)}{\partial \xi^2} - \frac{1}{12} \frac{\partial^4 \rho(\xi, \tau)}{\partial \xi^4} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \Phi^2(\xi, \tau)}{\partial \xi^2} = 0$$

corresponding to the **lattice dispersion**

$$\omega_2^2(k) = k^2(1 - k^2/12)$$

Supersonic bisoliton

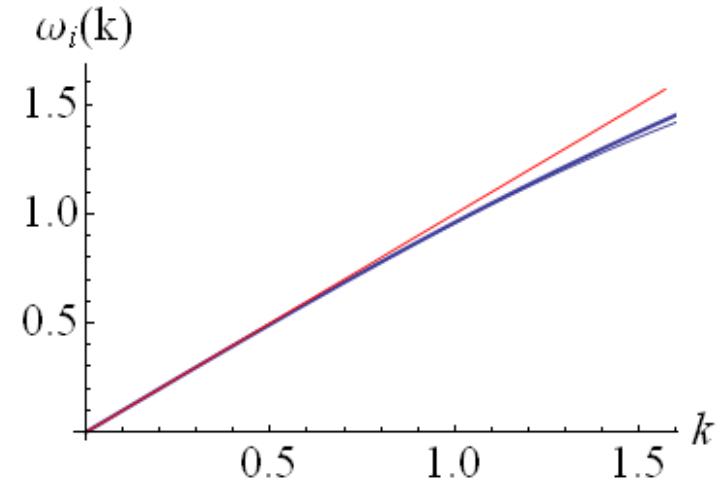
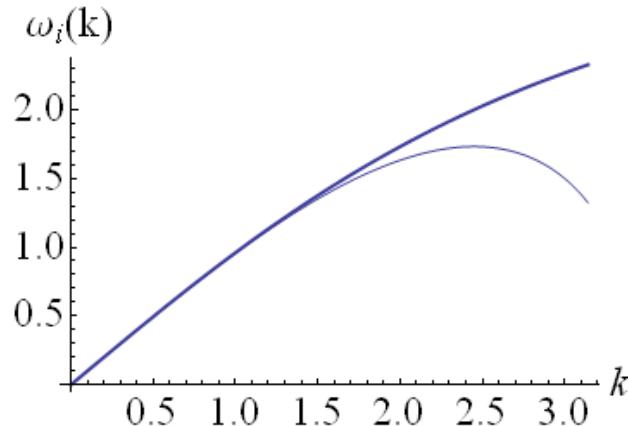
Electron energy dispersion:

$$\varepsilon(k) = 4j \sin^2 \frac{k}{2} \quad k \in [-\pi, \pi]$$

Dimensionless electron group velocity and its **maximum value**

$$s \equiv \frac{V_g}{V_{ac}} = \frac{d\varepsilon(k)}{dk} = 2j \sin k \quad S_{max} = 2j \text{ at } k=\pi/2.$$

In the physically relevant region both lattice dispersions are very close:



Phonon energy dispersions for the **improved** (thick line) and **ill-posed** (thin line) Boussinesq equations. Red line is a linear dispersion.

Supersonic bisolelectron

The system of equations:

$$\lambda \frac{\partial^2 \Phi(\zeta)}{\partial \zeta^2} + 2h\rho(\zeta)\Phi(\zeta) + \varepsilon_b(k)\Phi(\zeta) = 0$$

$$\mu \frac{\partial^2 \rho(\zeta)}{\partial \zeta^2} + (1 - s^2)\rho(\zeta) + \frac{du_{anh}(\rho)}{d\rho} = 2\sigma\Phi^2$$

Here

$$\lambda = j \cos k, \quad \zeta = \xi - s\tau, \quad \tau = \frac{V_{ac}}{a}t, \quad h = \frac{\chi a}{\hbar V_{ac}}, \quad \mu_1 = s^2/12, \quad \mu_2 = 1/12$$

It admits **three types of solutions**:

1. **Supersonic lattice soliton** and 2 free (delocalized) electrons
2. **Subsonic and supersonic bisoliton:** $\Phi^2(\rho) \propto \rho$
3. **Supersonic bisolelectron** at faster decay of the wave-function:

$$2h \int_0^\rho \Phi^2(r)dr < u_{anh}(\rho)$$

Supersonic bisolelectron

- The electron wavefunction:

$$\Phi^2(\rho) \approx C_p \rho^p$$

$p=1$ – **bisoliton** solution: $\varepsilon_b(k) = -jk^2 \cos k, \quad \kappa^2 = \frac{2C_1\sigma - 1 + s^2}{4\mu}$

$p>1$ – **bisolelectron** solution $\varepsilon_b(k) = -jp^2\nu^2 \cos k, \quad \nu^2 = \frac{s^2 - 1}{4\mu}$

The parameter p can be found from the normalization condition.

Consider a lattice with **cubic anharmonicity** $u_{anh} = \alpha\rho^3/3$

Localized solution:

$$\Phi(\xi) = \sqrt{\frac{\rho_0}{2D}} \operatorname{Sech}(\kappa\xi) \sqrt{1 + s^2 + \alpha\rho_0 \operatorname{Sech}^2(\kappa\xi)}$$

$$\rho(\zeta) = \rho_0 \operatorname{Sech}^2(\kappa\zeta)$$

$$\kappa \approx \kappa_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma\rho_0}{2}} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{4}{3}}\rho_0(\rho_0 + 2\delta) + \delta^2}{2\rho_0 + \delta} \approx \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\sigma\rho_0} \quad \delta = \frac{1 - s^2}{\alpha}$$

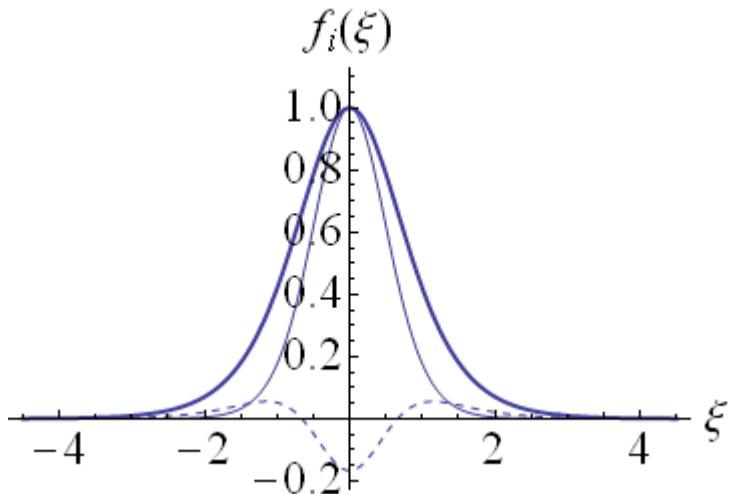
Supersonic biselectron

- Boussinesq equation:

$$\mu \frac{\partial^2 \rho(\zeta)}{\partial \zeta^2} + \alpha \rho^2 + (1 - s^2) \rho(\zeta) = 2h\Phi^2$$

Three terms in it's l.h.s.:

$$f_1 = \tilde{\rho} \equiv \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \quad f_2 = \tilde{\rho}^2 \quad f_3 = \mu \frac{d^2 \tilde{\rho}}{d \xi^2} \quad \xi = \kappa \zeta$$



*Three terms in the Boussinesq eq.
for the bisoliton type solution.
Solid line - f_1 , thin - f_2 , dashed - f_3*

Hence, f_1 and f_2 are the leading terms, f_3 : $(1 - s^2)\rho \rightarrow (1 - s^2 + \mu\rho''/\rho)\rho$
(equiv. to **increase of the allowed effective soliton velocity**)

Supersonic bisolelectron

- **Exact solution at fixed velocity:**

$$s^2 / \sqrt{1 - s^2 / 4 j^2} = 2 j \alpha / h \quad - \text{for the } \mathbf{\text{improved}} \text{ Boussinesq equation}$$

$$\sqrt{1 - s^2 / 4 j^2} = h / 2 j \alpha \quad - \text{for the } \mathbf{\text{ill-posed}} \text{ Boussinesq equation}$$

Solution at $p=1$:

$$\Phi_{bs}(\zeta) = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{2}} \operatorname{Sech}(\kappa\zeta) \quad \kappa \left(\kappa^2 - \frac{s^2 - 1}{4\mu} \right) = \frac{h^2}{4\mu j \cos k}$$

$$\rho_{bs}(\zeta) = \frac{\lambda}{\sigma} \kappa^2 \operatorname{Sech}^2(\kappa\zeta)$$

It transforms to the **bisoliton** solution at $\alpha \rightarrow 0, \mu \rightarrow 0$

Supersonic bisolelectron

Exact supersonic bisoletron solution at $p=2$:

$$\Phi_{bs(\text{sup})}(\zeta) = \frac{3}{h} \sqrt{\lambda \left(\frac{p\alpha}{2h} - \mu \right)} \kappa^2 \operatorname{Sech}^2(\kappa\zeta)$$

$$\rho_{bs(\text{sup})}(\zeta) = \frac{3\lambda}{h} \kappa^2 \operatorname{Sech}^2(\kappa\zeta)$$

at fixed value of the velocity

$$s^2 = 1 + 4\mu\kappa^2 [1 - 3(\gamma - 1)] \quad \gamma = \frac{\lambda\alpha}{2\mu h}$$

Numerical results at ‘arbitrary’ value of the velocity:

Velarde, Ebeling, Chetverikov. Int. J. Bifurc. Chaos, 18 (2010) 885-890.

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- Anharmonicity in the lattice interactions facilitates binding of two electrons in a **singlet spin bisoliton state**, extended over a few lattice sites.
- Such a bisoliton can move along the lattice with finite effective mass and constant velocity in the **subsonic** and **supersonic** regimes and can be a **hyperconducting charge carrier** in LD systems.
- Due to the Coulomb repulsion between the electrons the two-electron wave function may have a **one-hump** envelope at relatively strong electron-lattice coupling or **two-hump** envelope at relatively weak coupling.

- **Capture** of one or two electrons by a lattice soliton **does not destroy or decelerate** the latter (comp. **quodons**).
- The results here reported complement and confirm earlier fragmentary results obtained by **computer simulations**:
 - i) using the Gaussian approximation to the soliton excitation:
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 - ii) for lattices with the harmonic and Morse potentials:
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- What happens if $N>2$? The **charge density wave** is formed in harmonic lattices at density of electrons **below the critical value**. Preliminary results: it can be formed also in anharmonic lattices.

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Solitary wave recreated in the Union Canal near Edinburgh in 1995
“The great solitary wave” or “Soliton community in a boat”

Experimental data for proteins

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Experimental measurements of Amid-I vibration lifetime:

- in **L-alanine** molecules $t = 2.7 \text{ ps}$
- in photoactive **yellow protein** (β sheets): $t = 15 \text{ ps}$
- in **myoglobin** (α -helix): $t = 400 - 500 \text{ ps}$

Explanation: soliton formation in alpha-helix (*Brizhik, Eremko, Zakrzewski, Piette, PRE 70 (2004) 031914; Chem. Phys. 324 (2006) 259*)