# Soliton interferometry in atomtronic circuits.



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Atomtronic devices provide the best framework for experiments with ultra-cold gases in a ring geometry



Amico, Osterloh, Cataliotti, PRL 2005.



**Ring-shaped optical lattices** 

Amico, Aghamalyan, Aukstol, Crepatz, Kwek, Dumke SREP 2014.

Aghamalyan, Nguyen, Auksztol, Gan, Martinez Valado, Condylis, Kwek, Dumke, Amico NJP 2016

Aghamalyan, Cominotti, Rizzi, Rossini, Hekking, Minguzzi, Kwek, Amico, NJP 2015.

### Bosons with attractive interaction in a lattice - Bose-Hubbard Model

$$\hat{H}(U) = -J \sum_{j=-L/2}^{L/2} \left( b_j^{\dagger} b_{j+1} + b_{j+1}^{\dagger} b_j \right) + \underbrace{U}_{2} \sum_{j=-L/2}^{L/2} \hat{n}_j \left( \hat{n}_j - 1 \right) \overset{\text{attractive}}{\overset{U < 0}{}} \overset{\text{N-particles problem}}{\overset{\text{is not exactly}}{\overset{\text{open questions!}}}$$

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# DMRG: Density Matrix Renormalization Group

N-particle problem

S. R. White, PRL 69 2863 (1992) S. R. White, PRB 48 10345 (1993) A. Feiguin, S. R. White, PRB, 72, 020404 (2005)

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Numerical technique for ground state and firsts excited states in lattice systems.

IDEA: describe the system with only the most relevant states in the density matrix

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Characterisation of solitons from the decay of density and density-density correlations.



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Splitting of a soliton in a fragmented state by a potential barrier.



