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**Quantum Interferometry with Microwave-dressed  $F=1$  Spinor Bose-Einstein Condensates: Role of Initial States and Long Time Evolution** QIMIN ZHANG, ARNE SCHWETTMANN, Univ of Oklahoma, EITE TIESINGA, Joint Quantum Institute, NIST and the University of Maryland — We numerically investigate atom interferometry based on spin-exchange collisions in  $F = 1$  spinor Bose-Einstein condensates in the regime where both the truncated Wigner and the Bogoliubov approximations break down. The interferometer promises to beat the shot-noise limit even in the case of large atom-number population in the arms of the interferometer. Spin-exchange collisions in  $F = 1$  spinor Bose-Einstein condensates, where two atoms with magnetic quantum number  $m_F = 0$  collide and change into a pair with  $m_F = \pm 1$ , are useful to implement matter-wave quantum optics in spin space, such as quantum-enhanced interferometry, because the collisions generate entanglement and they can be precisely controlled using microwave dressing. Here, we show numerically that the sensitivity of spin-mixing interferometry can be enhanced to go beyond the shot-noise limit even with a large population of  $m_F = \pm 1$  states,  $1 \ll N_{m_F=\pm 1} \ll N$ , and after long evolution times. This is done by using classically seeded initial states with a small initial population in the  $m_F = \pm 1$  states and using long evolution times  $t \gg h/c$ , where  $c$  is the spin-dependent interaction energy.

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