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From unitary to uniform Bose gases

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In this talk I will give an overview of our recent experiments on Bose gases in extreme interaction regimes. In one limit, we studied the stability of a unitary Bose gas, with strongest possible interactions allowed by quantum mechanics [1]. In the other limit, we studied purely quantum-statistical ideal-gas phenomena, such as the quantum Joule-Thomson effect [2], by achieving Bose-Einstein condensation in a quasi-uniform potential of an optical-box trap [3].

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