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Why Tweezer-Trapped Ultracold Atoms?

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Isolated and Coherent Qubits In the electronic levels



Wireless Gates Realized fully optical Rydberg Interactions

Highly Scalable >5000 qubits demonstrated

Flexible (Dynamic) Connectivity



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What are Optical Tweezers?



Light pressure traps dielectric objects in highly focused beams



How to Create Defect Free Arrays?



Tweezer Arrays are Extremely flexible





Manetsch et al., arXiv:2403.120213 (2024)

Current size record: 6100 sites

Arbitrary Dimensions

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Endres et al., Science. 354, 1024-1027 (2016)



Barredo *et al.*, Science. 354, 1021-1023 (2016)



c C₈₄ fullerene-like (84 sites)



e Torus (120 sites)

- Möbius strip (85 sites)
- **d** Cone (100 sites)



f Eiffel tower (126 sites)



Barredo *et al.*, Nature. 561, 79–82 (2018)

How to Work with Rydberg Atoms?





Why are Rydberg Atoms Cool?





How do Rydberg Atoms Interact?

Strong and long range van der Waals interaction

$$V \propto \frac{n^{11}}{R^6}$$

With long lifetimes $\approx 10^5$ interaction >> cycles



Saffman *et al.*, Rev. Mod. Phys. 82, 2313 (2010)

Urban *et al.*, Nat. Phys. 5, 110–114 (2009)

Browayes *et al.*,





Simulation of Ising Hamiltonians





Spin Models - Interesting Many-Body Systems



- Lattice spin models are a **generic systems** to study many-body phenomena like
 - Quantum phase transitions
 - >> Out-of-equilibrium phenomena
 - >> Topology
- Important in hard to control systems like
 - Quantum magnetism
 - >> Excitation transport (photosynthesis,...)

Emulate these systems with well controllable Rydberg arrays

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dimension

(n) Spin



arXiv:2406.13206 (2025)

Simulation of Dipole Hamiltonians



Heisenberg XY-Hamiltonian

$$\sigma_{-}^{(i)}\sigma_{+}^{(j)}ig)$$

Barredo *et al.*, PRL 114, 113002 (2015) de Léséleuc *et al.*, Science 365, 775-780 (2019)

The Su-Schrieffer-Heeger (SSH) Model

Electronic transport in polyacetylene



Su, Schrieffer, Heeger, PRL 42, 1698 (1979)

> Simple example of **topological** order

 \rightarrow J > J' Dimerization



Magic angle: J'' = 0

Mapping of electron position on Rydberg excitation



de Léséleuc et al., Science 365, 775-780 (2019)

Engineering Many-Body Hamiltonians: Floquet Engineering





$$H_F = \frac{1}{t_c} \int_0^{t_c} H(t) \mathrm{d}t \tag{Matrix} \label{eq:HF}$$
 (matrix)

$$H_F = 2\sum_{i \neq j} V_{dd}^{(i,j)} \left(\frac{\tau_1 + \tau_2}{t_c} \sigma_x^{(i)} \sigma_x^{(j)} + \frac{\tau_1 + \tau_3}{t_c} \sigma_y^{(i)} \sigma_y^{(j)} + \frac{\tau_2 + \tau_3}{t_c} \sigma_y^{(i)} + \frac{\tau_3 + \tau$$

Programmable XYZ Hamiltonians



ezing of magnetization: nature of XXX Heisenberg model agnetization is conserved)

 $rac{ au_2+ au_3}{t}\sigma_z^{(i)}\sigma_z^{(j)}$

 σ^y

Scholl et al., PRX Quantum 3, 020303 (2022)

Engineering Many-Body Hamiltonians: Rydberg Dressing

Idea

Atom in $|g\rangle$: **No intersite** interaction Atom in $|r\rangle$: Short Lifetime Admix Rydberg state to ground state $|g'
angle pprox |g
angle + rac{\Omega}{\delta}|r
angle$ Pupillo *et al.*, PRL. 104, 223002 (2010) 2.0 Energy (kHz) Softcore Potential 0.5 0.0 2 3 4 5 0 Radius (µm) Johnson and Rolston, PRA. 82, 033412 (2010) Tunable **XYZ** Hamiltonians Steinert *et al.*, PRL. 130, 243001 (2023) Spin Squeezing Hines *et al.*, PRL. 131, 063401 (2023)

Problem



$$H = -J\sum_{i\neq j} \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_j + \frac{U}{2}\sum_i \hat{n}_i (\hat{n}_i) + \frac{U}{2}\sum_i$$

Weckesser *et al.*, arXiv:2405.20128 (2024)

extended Bose Hubbard model







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Fundamental Lifetime Limits?





Spontaneous decay rate



Lifetime

 $\tau(n=100)\approx 500\,\mathrm{\mu s}$

Atomic Groundstate

Examples

Error-Budget of a Rydberg controled-phase gate

	Bell state	infidelity	Average gate infidelity					
	0 μK	1.5 μK	0 μK	1.5 μK				
Rydberg decay	0.092%	0.092%	0.074%	0.074%				
Photon recoil	0.008%	0.011%	0.006%	0.009%				
VdW force	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%				
Summed	0.101%	0.105%	0.081%	0.084%				
Full simulation	0.101%		0.081%					

Pagano et al., PRR 4, 033019 (2022)

- Adiabatic state preparation limited by Rydberg lifetime
- >> True groundstates still ellusive

Ebadi *et al.*, Nature 595, 227–232 (2021)

What is a Circular Rydberg State?





Maximum angular momentum

1000 times longer than low-I!

The History of Circular Rydberg States

Pre-Trapping Era

>> First mention of "Circular" states: Hulet and Daniel Kleppner, PRL 51, 1430 (1983)

>> Atomic beam experiments

Cavity QED



Haroche *et al.*, Nat. Phys. 16, 243–246 (2020)

S. Haroche Nobel Prize 2012

Raimond, Brune and Haroche, Rev. Mod. Phys 73, 565 (2001)

> Experiments with CRS mainly by Paris group

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Quantum Tech Era

Proposals for quantum

simulation: Nguyen *et al.*, PRX 8, 011032 (2018)

computing: Cohen *et al.*, PRX Quantum 2, 030322 (2021)

>> First optical trapping:

Cortiñas et al., PRL 124, 123201 (2020)

>> Array of interacting CRS:

Méhaignerie *et al.*, arXiv:2407.04109 (2024)



Many groups start to work with CRS now!

How to prepare CRS?



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Traverse avoided crossing of RF-drive coupled levels adiabatically

C.H. et al., PRX 14, 021024 (2024) Teixeira et al., PRL 125, 263001 (2020) Hulet *et al.*, PRL 51, 1430 (1983)

The Issue with the Black-Body-Radiation



What If We Don't Want a Cryo?

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PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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Inhibited Spontaneous Emission by a Rydberg Atom

Randall G. Hulet,^(a) Eric S. Hilfer, and Daniel Kleppner

Research Laboratory of Electronics and Department of Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139 (Received 29 July 1985)

Spontaneous radiation by an atom in a Rydberg state has been inhibited by use of parallel conducting planes to eliminate the vacuum modes at the transition frequency. Spontaneous emission is observed to "turn off" abruptly at the cutoff frequency of the waveguidelike structure and the natural lifetime is measured to increase by a factor of at least 20.

PACS numbers: 32.80.-t, 31.60.+b

$$\xi^{\sigma^{\pm}} = 1 + 3 \operatorname{Im} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-r)^n \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi n d} + i \frac{\lambda^2}{(2\pi n d)^2} - \frac{\lambda^3}{(2\pi n d)^3} \right) e^{in2\pi \frac{d}{\lambda}} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n=1 \\ n$$



Meinert *et al.*, PRR 2, 023192 (2020) Wu et al., PRL 130, 023202 (2023)

Our Quantum Processor: Cavity





Previous Records from Paris (beam):

Rb, n=60: 1.1ms Wu *et al.*, PRL 130, 023202 (2023)

Rb, n=52, Cryogenic: 3.7 ms Cantat-Moltrecht et al., PRR 2, 22032 (2020)

Our Quantum Processor



Detection

State Selective Field Ionization Integrated ion detector (MCP) $(in \ gu)_{2}^{4} \int_{22}^{22} \int_{22}^{23} \int_{23}^{23} \int_{22}^{23} \int_{23}^{23} \int_{22}^{23} \int_{23}^{23} \int_{23$



Field Stability

- > Rydberg states are sensitive to E-fields
- > High-NA access glass cells: Charge patches
- > Full shielding required
 - > Field stability
 - $<50\,\mu V\,cm^{-1}$



Combining Alkaline Earth and CRS



Using the Core Electron?



With CRS, optical core transitions can be addressed without autoionization



 $R \propto n$ R(79.

Fields *et al.*, PRL 97, 013429 (2018)

Autoionization Rate

$$n^{-3}l^{-5}$$

$$F) \approx 3.5 \,\mathrm{GHz}$$

$R(79C) \approx 1 \,\mathrm{Hz}$

Using the Core Electron!



Optical Cooling and Imaging

>> First experimental demonstration slowing a beam of CRS

Lachaud et al., PRL 133, 123202 (2024)

Transfer methods established in experiments with trapped ions to tweezer platform





Muni et al., Nat. Phys. 18, 502–505 (2022)

Excursion: Measuring the small Shift



Wirth, C.H. et al., PRL 133, 123403 (2024)

Challenge: Interaction <5kHz for n=79 ⇒ >200µS coherence time required

Solution: Spin-Echo measurement → Slow noise (including shot-to-shot, B-Field) cancels



By Gavin W Morley - Own work, CC BY-SA 3.0, https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=15380381

Excursion: Measuring the small Shift



Echo Time $t_{\rm E}$ (µs)







Cooling of CRS

using the second electron see also L. Lachaud et al., PRL **133**, 123202 (2024)

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Non-Destructive Readout Fluorescence Detection

using the second electron



Local Addressing

Using the second electron or using the ponderomotive Potential



Simulating With CRS

- Hamiltonian Implementation Ising, Heisenberg, XXZ,...
- Adiabatic State Preparation Spin Liquids, ...
 - Synthetic Dimensions Encoded in different CRS
- Dynamic Reconfigurability Shuttling of CRS

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How to Control A Cold Atoms Lab



Requirements

- Nanosecond time resolution
- Control over highly specialized devices (wavemeters, ultra-stable current sources, ...)
- >> Fast repetetition rates (<500ms)
- >> Scalability
- FOSS Solutions Available:



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- >> 24/7 and unsupervised operation
 - >> Environmental monitoring and feedback
- >> Easy to use/understand
- > Easy expandable by scientists

Typically a problem in labs But FOSS can help us!

Atomiq - A FOSS Quantum Control Hardware Orchestrator



User Interface Programming Framework, ...

Compiler and Algorithms Qiskit, Cirq, Al, ...

Quantum Firmware

Control Hardware ARTIQ, QM, Lasers, ...

Physical Qubits

Atoms, lons, ...



An Example Experiment

```
class MyExperiment(AtomiqExperiment):
                                                                    2 class Imaging(AtomiqBlock):
                                                                          components = ["camera", "laser_imaging"]
    Load and image a magneto optical trap
    components = ["laser_cooler", "mot_coils"]
                                                                          arguments = {
                                                                               "exposure_time": {"default": 100., "unit": "us"},
                                                                               "imaging_det": {"default": 0., "unit": "MHz"},
    arguments = {
        "mot_cooler_det": {"default": -12, "unit": "MHz"},
                                                                               "imaging_power": {"default": 0.2, "unit": "mW"},
        "mot_cooler_power": {"default": 30., "unit": "mW"},
        "mot_loading_time": {"default": 200, "unit": "ms"}
                                                                   13
                                                                          def prerun(self):
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    blocks = [Imaging]
                                                                              def printer(payload):
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                                                                                  print(payload)
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                                                                              self.camera.new_data.connect(printer)
   def prestep(self, point):
        self.laser_cooler.set_power(point.mot_cooler_power)
                                                                          @kernel
        self.laser_cooler.set_detuning(point.mot_cooler_det)
                                                                          def prestep(self, point):
                                                                              self.laser_imaging.set_power(point.imaging_power)
                                                                               self.laser_imaging.set_detuning(point.imaging_det)
   def step(self, point):
        self.laser_cooler.on()
                                                                          @kernel
       delay(point.mot_loading_time)
                                                                          def take_image(self, point):
        self.Imaging.take_image(point)
                                                                              self.camera.trigger()
        self.laser_cooler.off()
                                                                              self.image_aom.on()
       delay(5*ms)
                                                                              delay(point.exposure_time)
        self.Imaging.take_image(point)
                                                                              self.image_aom.off()
```

An Example Experiment

```
class MyExperiment(AtomiqExperiment):
                                                                       3 components.update({
      Load and image a magneto optical trap
                                                                                  "classname": "SUServoModulatedLaser",
      components = ["laser_cooler", "mot_coils"]
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                                                                                  "arguments": {
                                                                                      "photodiode": "&pd_cooler",
      arguments = {
                                                                                      "modulator": "&aom_cooler",
          "mot_cooler_det": {"default": -12, "unit": "MHz"},
          "mot_cooler_power": {"default": 30., "unit": "mW"},
                                                                                     "default_ki": -1.0e4,
          "mot_loading_time": {"default": 200, "unit": "ms"}
                                                                                     "default_kp": -1.0
      blocks = [Imaging]
                                                                      4 })
      def prestep(self, point):
          self.laser_cooler.set_power(point.mot_cooler_power)
                                                                      L8 components.update({
          self.laser_cooler.set_detuning(point.mot_cooler_det)
                                                                             "pd_cooler": {
                                                                                  "classname": "CalibratedPhotodiode",
                                                                                 "arguments": {
     def step(self, point):
                                                                                     "adc_channel": "&input_adc_cooler",
                                                                                     "calibration": "&cal_pd"
          self.laser_cooler.on()
                                                                      23
          delay(point.mot_loading_time)
          self.Imaging.take_image(point)
          self.laser_cooler.off()
          delay(5*ms)
          self.Imaging.take_image(point)
                                                                     28 # Calibrations
                                                                      29 components.update({
```







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