QUANTUM FIELD THEORIES WITH TRAPPED-ION QUANTUM SIMULATORS?

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A controlled quantum system

Strong-interaction physics



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A QUICK TOUR TO THE UNDERLYING PHYSICS OF TRAPPED-ION SIMULATORS





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Depends on intensity and phases of the lasers (global or individual).

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$$H_{rsb} \approx \frac{i}{2} \eta \Omega \left[a^{\dagger} \sigma^{-} e^{i\phi} - a \sigma^{+} e^{-i\phi} \right]$$



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The physics is simple, and is derived from a Magnus expansion of the time-evolution operator:

$$U(t,0) = \mathcal{T}e^{-i\int_0^t H_I(t_1)dt_1}$$

= $e^{-i\int_0^t dt_1 H_I(t_1) - \frac{1}{2}\int_0^t dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 [H_I(t_2), H_I(t_1)] + \cdots}$
 $\approx e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}t}$

Only an approximation (off-resonant terms, lower and higher order terms, etc. still present in dynamics but can be suppressed).

An effective Ising Hamiltonian $H_{
m eff} \propto \sigma_x^{(i)} \otimes \sigma_x^{(j)}$ requires: $\eta \Omega/\delta \ll 1$

DIGITAL, ANALOG, AND HYBRID MODES OF TRAPPED-ION SIMULATORS





























A LATTICE GAUGE THEORY EXAMPLE STUDIED WITHIN EACH MODE OF THE (ENHANCED) TRAPPED-ION SIMULATOR

Very interesting work such as: Lamata et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 98 253005 (2007), Gerritsma et al, Nature 463, 68 (2010), Casanova et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 260501 (2011), and Bermudez et al, Phys. Rev. X 7, 041012 (2017) will not be covered here.

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An effective magnetic field
Nearest neighbor spin-spin interactions



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See also Yang et al, Physical Review A 94, 052321 (2016) for a phonon-ion based analog proposal of lattice Schwinger Model.

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Is phonon control experimentally feasible? Yes...at least for small systems so far!

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GAUGE THEORIES IN HIGHER DIMENSIONS WITH THE ANALOG MODE OF THE SIMULATOR

A SCALAR FIELD THEORY COUPLED TO FERMIONS (YUKAWA THEORY) WITH THE HYBRID MODE OF THE SIMULATOR

SUMMARY

Trapped-ion simulators have become a successful platform for quantum simulation of many-body physics.

The first successful implementations of gauge-field theory dynamics on trappedion simulators/computers have emerged for small systems. Phonons can be manipulated and measured in these systems, hence the possibility of using phonons as both virtual and dynamical degrees of freedom is realistic.

Simulating complex dynamics of quantum field theories may benefit from digital, analog, and hybrid implementations depending on the problem at hand.

OUTLOOK

As these systems scale and improve, we must come up with resource-efficient algorithms tailored to our problems, paying attention to hardware architecture.

Co-development will be crucial as specialpurpose hardware may reduce the time to solution in near-term. Theory-experiment collaborations will be highly beneficial. Theoretical development need to complement the program. Efficient Hamiltonian formulations for (non-Abelian) gauge theories along with best approaches to state preparation and measurement will continue to develop.

Effective field theory simulations can benefit from developments in gauge-theory simulations and vice versa. Analog and hybrid approaches for nuclear EFTs should be explored. TOWARDS SIMULATING QUANTUM FIELD THEORIES WITH TRAPPED-ION SIMULATORS @MARYLAND+COLLABORATING INSTITUTIONS (RICE, DUKE, U CHICAGO, ICFO/BARCELONA)

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