Experiments on Quantum Matter Synthesizer
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Scalable atom-by-atom assembly of many-body states is a key progression in the direction of quantum simulation experiments. In this poster we detail the technical aspects of a new apparatus, the “Quantum Matter Synthesizer”, which uses a pair of high-numerical aperture microscope objectives to both image and address atoms on single sites of a 2D lattice. Pre-cooled cesium atoms are first stochastically loaded into a magic-wavelength 2D triangle lattice and then simultaneously cooled and imaged. After detecting the initial site occupancy, an array of moving optical tweezers will re-arrange atoms into a pre-desired configuration. In this poster we report performance updates on the transport, trapping, and cooling of atoms at the microscope focus, as well as details on our implementation of a moving tweezer array. A future upgrade is integrating Optical Feshbach Resonance (OFR) technique into the system, which enables control of local interaction strength and potentially engineering of more exotic quantum phases.

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