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Design and Construction of Anti-Helmholtz Coils for Laser Cooling and Trapping Gd UPENDRA ADHIKARI, CLAYTON SIMIEN, Univ of Alabama - Birmingham — Lanthanide elements are of interest because of their potential for investigating next generation optical clock transitions, novel non-S ground state ultracold collisions, and the physics of quantum degenerate dipolar gases. We present the design and construction of Anti-Helmholtz coils for the laser cooling and trapping of atomic Gadolinium (Gd). The design, construction, and performance of the apparatus will be presented.

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