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## Mixed qubit types in registers of individually addressed trapped barium ions

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Registers of different qubit types, where one qubit type is insensitive to the other's light fields, are a promising avenue for scaling the quantum information processing capabilities of trapped-ion systems [1]. This approach mitigates scattering errors and allows for advanced qubit control schemes by enabling partial projective measurements, mid-circuit measurements, and in-sequence cooling.

Barium is particularly well suited for realizing mixed qubit type registers: using just a single atomic species, qubits can be implemented in both barium's ground level and its long-lived ( $\sim 30$  s) metastable level. Additionally, qubit transitions within both the ground and the metastable level manifolds can be driven using the same laser wavelength at 532 nm, leading to a significantly reduced experimental overhead.

In our experiment, we use  $^{137}$ Ba $^+$  ions with a nuclear spin of 3/2. The resulting hyperfine structure allows for the implementation of magnetically-insensitive 'clock' qubits.

We present an all-fibre system capable of single-ion addressing in large qubit registers by utilizing a laser-written waveguide device. Using a trapped ion as a light-field sensor, we characterize the performance of the addressing system by measuring the Stark shifts induced by the individual beams and observe  $< 10^{-3}$  crosstalk between neighbouring channels.

We further demonstrate simultaneous manipulation of ground-level and metastable-level qubits and present post-selection schemes that enhance the fidelity of state preparation and effectively identify and eliminate population leakage errors.

[1] D. T. C. Allcock et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. \textbf{119}, (2021).

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