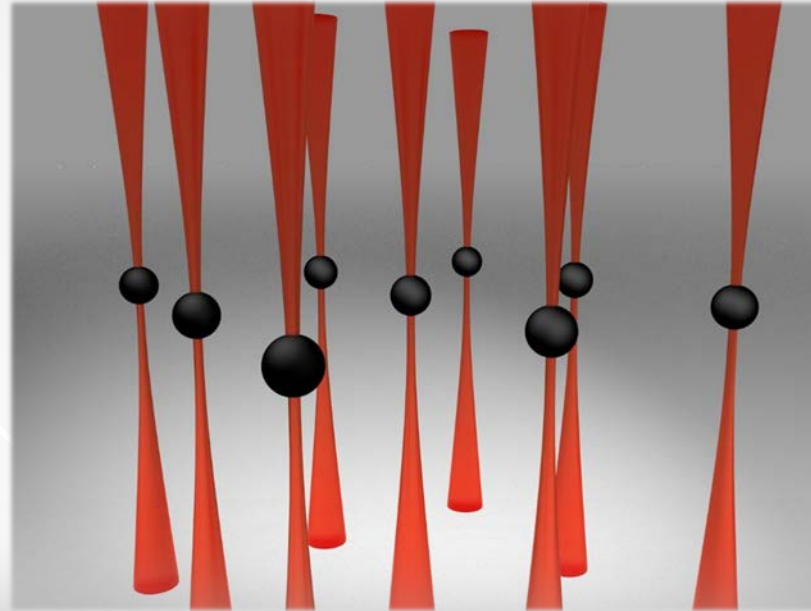


# Quantum Brown Bag: The Hamburg Quantum Computing initiative & developping a quantum computer based on neutral atoms

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# Hamburg Quantum Computing (HQC) project

**Funded by** the European regional development fund (**ERDF**)

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Joint endeavor of the **University and the Technical University of Hamburg**

with 7 Mio. €

with 10.5 Mio. €

## Goals:

- Interdisciplinary **research** for the development and use of quantum computing, in the fields of
  - Quantum physics, microsystems & high frequency technology, computer science
- **Education** of next generation of quantum scientists
- To **strengthen Hamburg's quantum ecosystem**



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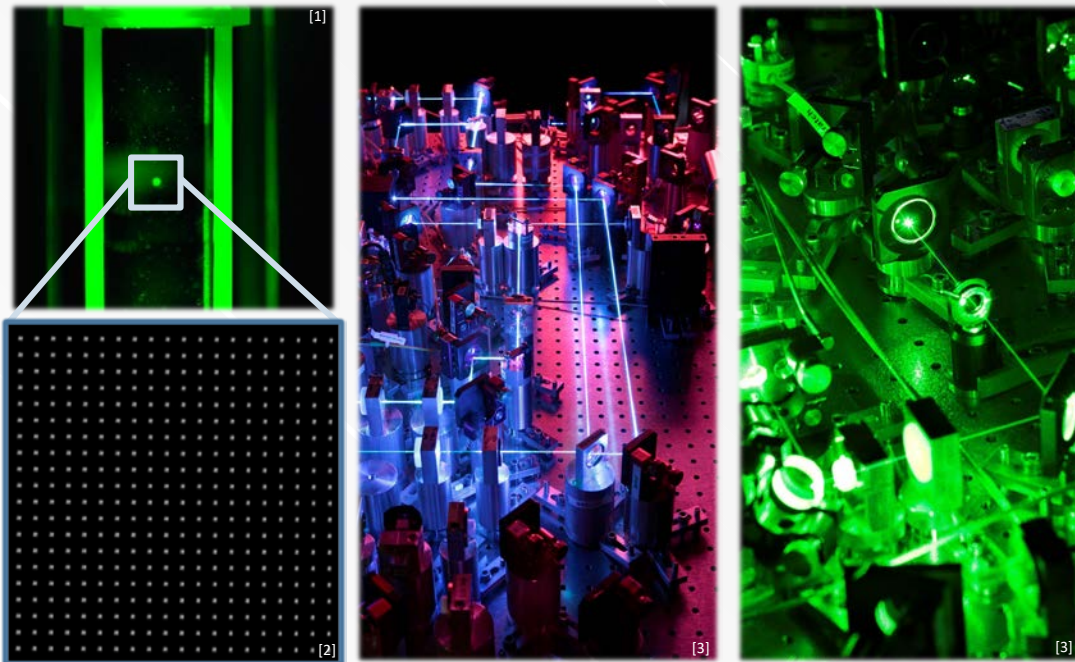
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# Neutral-atom Quantum Computers



## Advantages of neutral atoms

- Scalability
- Excellent level of control
- Natural qubit choice

*highly-promising candidate for quantum advantage*

## Latest developments

- 4 BMBF funded projects, e.g. Rymax
- 5 hardware startups



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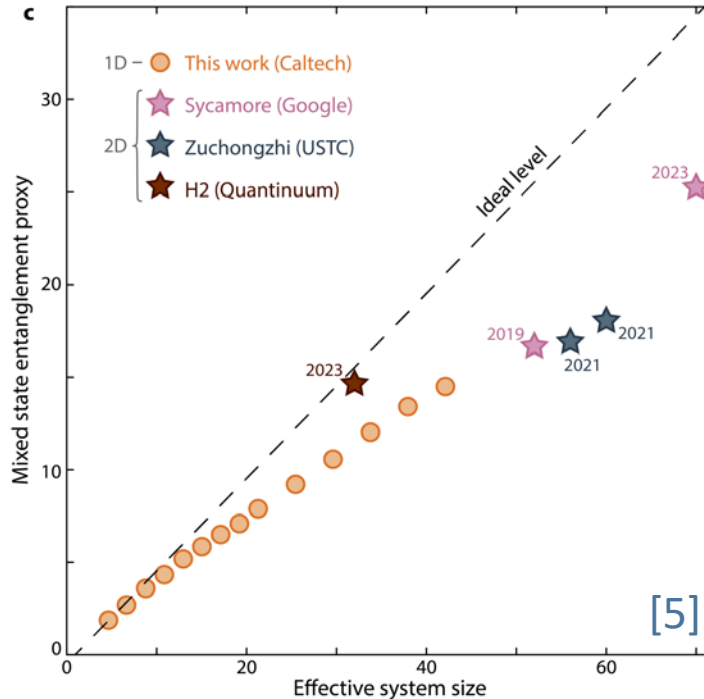
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# Recent advances in quantum computing in 2023



## Neutral Atom QC

- reached the same gate fidelities as SC qubits and trapped ions
- State-of-the-art work still done in small academic groups

➔ Highly-promising near-term QC platform

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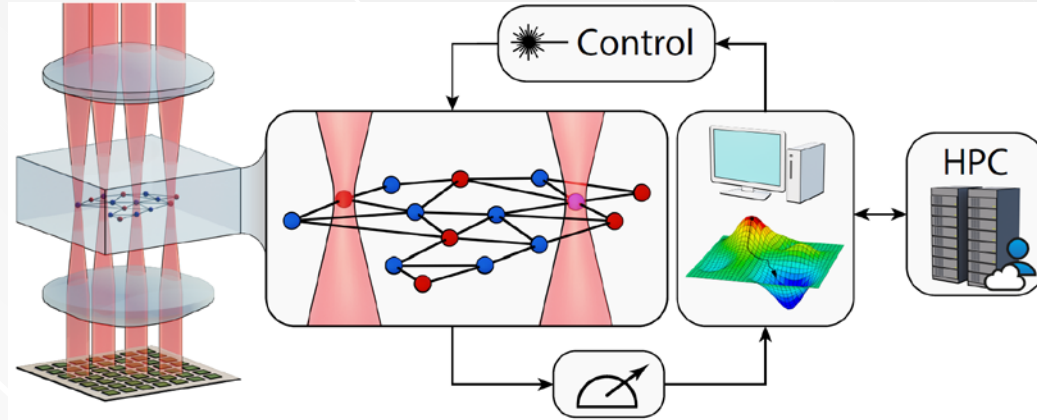
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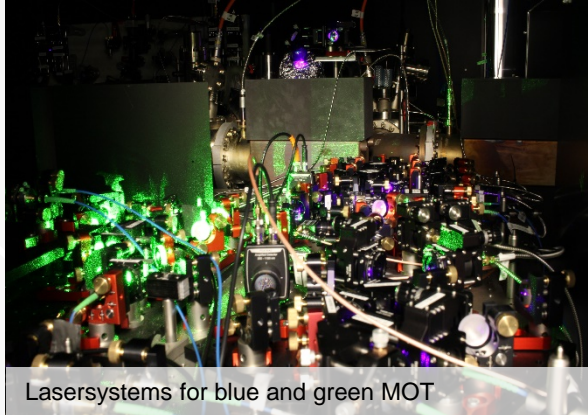
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# Overview



# In the lab



Hard work + many, many optical elements + colorful lasers + stainless steel  
+ the almost absolute void with **pressure**  $< 1 \times 10^{-11}$  mbar



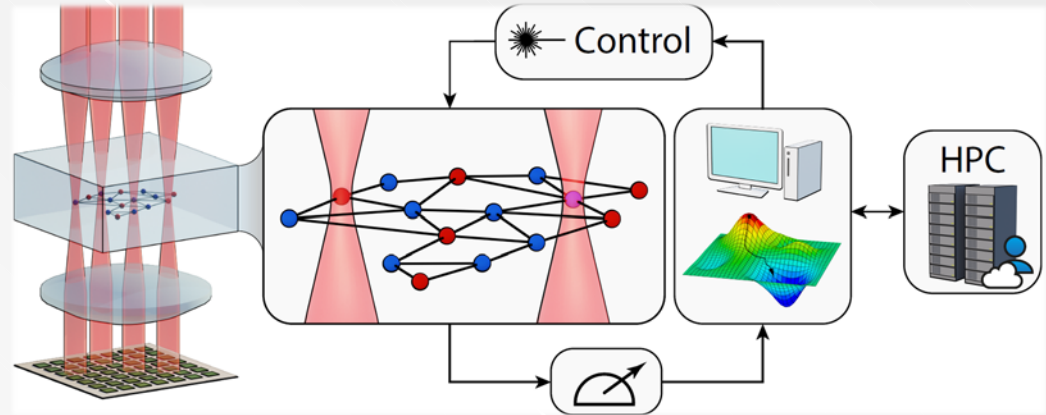
# Steps to perform quantum computation

Load atoms into tweezers

Bring atoms to Rydberg states

Execute algorithm

Measure

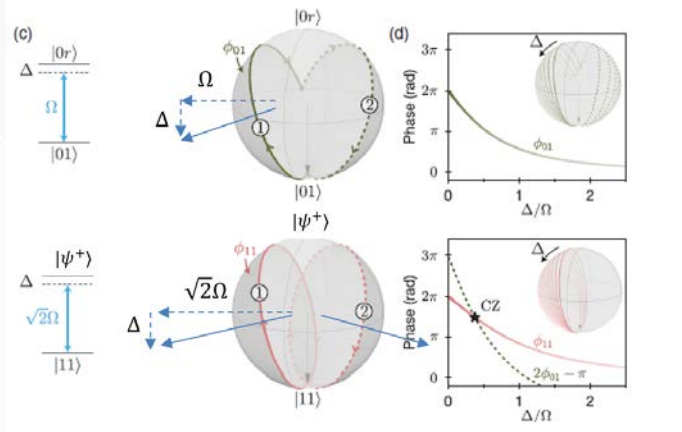


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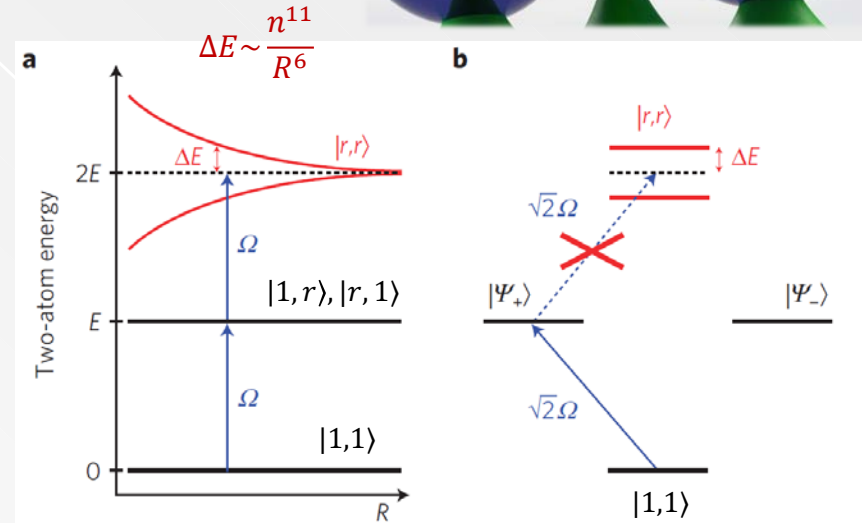
Atoms in Rydberg states

- large electronic cloud  $\Rightarrow$  large interaction between atoms
- Cannot excite both atoms simultaneously

Interaction gives conditionality for e.g. CNOT gates



[1] H. Levine PRL 123, 170503 (2019)



$$|\Psi_+\rangle = (|1,r\rangle + |r,1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

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