# Lab Integration of Multi-Client Digital Laser Lock Box for Trapped Ion Experiments

**Semester Thesis** 

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## **Background**

In 2022, our students developed a novel digital lock box, named **BLOOD** (**Bichannel Lockbox On One Device**). This system is planned to be the successor to the **EVIL** lock box, which has been in use for a decade. BLOOD, featuring a Red Pitaya FPGA board and a custom-designed PCB, maintains backward compatibility with existing EVIL setups and our DEVIL client/server software. A major improvement in BLOOD compared to its predecessor is the capability to digitally control analog gain and offset parameters. The first prototype of BLOOD has shown promising results, successfully stabilizing laser frequencies in the lab. Nonetheless, further development is necessary to fully unlock its potential.



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