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## Quantum simulation of (non-)abelian lattice gauge theories

Using ultra-cold atoms in optical lattices, we construct a quantum simulator for (1+1), (2+1) and (3+1)-d U(N) and SU(N) lattice gauge theories coupled to fermionic matter. These systems share qualitative features with QCD. We discuss the observation of confinement, string-breaking or quark-gluon plasma with these simulators.

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