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# Craig Benko

**Physicist** 

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# Personal

Citizenship: US Citizen Marital Status: Married

# Languages

English: native Spanish: proficient

# **Programming**

Python, Matlab, Mathematica, Igor, LaTeX, Linux, OSX, Windows, Microsoft Office

### **Hobbies**

Skiing, road biking, hiking, camping, climbing, fly fishing, disc golfing, guitar playing, coffee brewing.

## Fun facts

Expert taco maker Knight (w/sword) Throws: Right Bats: Left

# Favorite quote

Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.

# **Education**

2006-2010 BS Physics, Santa Clara University Santa Clara, California

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Boulder, Colorado

Bozeman, Montana

Graduated Cum Laude with minor in mathematics.

2010-2016 PhD Physics, University of Colorado Boulder Boulder, Colorado

# **Experience**

2008 Santa Clara University

Research Assistant

Advisor: Prof. Betty Young and Dr. John R. Jameson Dielectric relaxation currents. Influence of hydrogen on magnitude of relaxation current for applications in

superconducting electronics.

2008-2010 Santa Clara University

Research Assistant

Advisor: Prof. Chris Weber

Ultrafast laser spectroscopy of semiconductors. Ultrafast

electron and spin dynamics in semiconductors.

2010-2016 JILA, University of Colorado Boulder

> Research Assistant Advisor: Prof. Jun Ye

Extreme ultraviolet frequency combs. Laser stabilization.

Ultrafast laser technology. High-order harmonic generation. Strong-

field physics. Atomic clocks. Many-body physics.

2016-Present S2 Corporation

Radiofrequency and microwave spectral analysis using

spatial-spectral holography. Emphasis on business development.

# Professional references

#### Professor Jun Ye

Photonics Enaineer

JILA, NIST and the University of Colorado Boulder email: ye@jila.colorado.edu

#### **Professor Thomas Allison**

Departments of Physics and Chemistry, Stony Brook University email: thomas.allison@stonybrook.edu

#### **Professor Chris Weber**

Department of Physics, Santa Clara University

email: cweber@scu.edu

# **Academic awards**

2006-2010	Scholarship		Santa Clara University
	Santa Clara University Preferred Scholar	ship.	
2008-2010	Dean's List		Santa Clara University
	Reserved for top 10% of class.		
2010	Orella Prize		Santa Clara University
	Given at graduation for the highest GPA in upper division sciences.		
2010	David Blockus Award in Physics	Physics Department	, Santa Clara University
	Given to the most outstanding senior physics major in the graduating		
	class.		
2010	John R. Drahmann Award in Physics	Physics Department	, Santa Clara University
	Given to the senior physics major for exemplifying the hard work an honest		
	values of John Drahmann.		
2011	Best Poster	SUSS	P67, Glasgow, Scotland
	Given for the best poster at the Scottish University Summer School in		
	Physics 67 (SUSSP67).		
2014	Outstanding Presentation	Boulder National L	abs, Boulder, Colorado
	Given for the best poster and presentation at the Boulder National Labs		
	Postdoc Poster Symposium.		

# **Publications**

# articles in peer-reviewed journals

Dielectric relaxation study of hydrogen exposure as a source of two-level systems in  $Al_2O_3$ 

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J R Jameson, D Ngo, C Benko, J P McVittie, Y Nishi, B A Young Journal of Non-Crystalline Solids. 357, 2148–2151 (2011). URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jnoncrysol.2011.02.054
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#### Measurement of spin diffusion in semi-insulating GaAs

C P Weber, C Benko A, S C Hiew

Journal of Applied Physics. 109, 106101 (2011).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1063/1.3592272

#### Ultrabroadband coherent supercontinuum frequency comb

A Ruehl, M J Martin, K C Cossel, L Chen, H McKay, B Thomas, **C Benko**, L Dong, J M Dudley, M E Fermann, I Hartl, J Ye

Physical Review A. 84, 011806 (2011).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevA.84.011806

Inelastic collisions and density-dependent excitation suppression in a <sup>87</sup>Sr optical lattice clock

M Bishof, M J Martin, M D Swallows, **C Benko**, Y Lin, G Quéméner, A M Rey, J Ye Physical Review A. *84*, *052716 (2011)*.

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevA.84.052716

Full phase stabilization of a Yb: fiber femtosecond frequency comb via high-bandwidth transducers

C Benko, A Ruehl, M J Martin, K S E Eikema, M E Fermann, I Hartl, J Ye Optics Letters. 37, 2196–2198 (2012).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1364/OL.37.002196

Operating a <sup>87</sup>Sr optical lattice clock with high precision and at high density M D Swallows, M J Martin, M Bishof, **C Benko**, Y Lin, S Blatt, A M Rey, J Ye

Ultrasonics, Ferroelectrics and Frequency Control, IEEE Transactions on. 59, 416–425 (2012). URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1109/TUFFC.2012.2210

A quantum many-body spin system in an optical lattice clock

M J Martin, M Bishof, M D Swallows, X Zhang, **C Benko**, J von Stretcher, A M Rey, J Ye Science. *341*, *632–636* (2013).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1126/science.1236929

Extreme ultraviolet radiation with coherence time greater than 1 s

C Benko, T K Allison, A Cingöz, L Hua, F Labaye, D C Yost, J Ye

Nature Photonics. 8, 530-536 (2014).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1038/nphoton.2014.132

Reduction of residual amplitude modulation to  $1\times10^{-6}$  for frequency modulation and laser stabilization

W Zhang, M J Martin, **C Benko**, J L Hall, J Ye, C Hagemann, T Legero, U Sterr, F Riehle, G D Cole, M Aspelmeyer

Optics Letters. 39, 1980-1983 (2014).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1364/OL.39.001980

Probing many-body interactions in an optical lattice clock

A M Rey, A V Gorshkov, C V Kraus, M J Martin, M Bishof, M D Swallows, X Zhang, **C Benko**, J Ye, N D Lemke, A Ludlow

Annals of Physics. 340, 311-351 (2014).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.aop.2013.11.002

Cavity-enhanced field-free molecular alignment at a high repetition rate

C Benko, L Hua, T K Allison, F Labaye, J Ye

Physical Review Letters. 114, 153001 (2015).

URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.114.153001

An XUV frequency comb with mW average power

C Benko, N Doerre, J Ye

In preparation.

# peer-reviewed conferences/proceedings

Coherent transfer over 1.1 spectral octave with a fiber frequency comb

A Ruehl, M J Martin, K C Kossel, L Chen, **C Benko**, H McKay, B Thomas, L Dong, M E Fermann, J M Dudley, I Hartl, J Ye

European Quantum Electronics Conference (2011).

Towards the next decades of precision and accuracy in a <sup>87</sup>Sr optical lattice clock M Martin, Y Lin, M D Swallows, M Bishof, S Blatt, **C Benko**, L Chen, T Hirokawa, A M Rey, J Ye *APS Division of Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics Meeting Abstracts* (2011).

Probing many-body physics with an optical lattice clock

M Bishof, M J Martin, M D Swallows, **C Benko**, J von Stecher, A V Gorshkov, A M Rey, J Ye *APS Division of Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics Meeting Abstracts* (2012).

Phase stabilization of a Yb:fiber frequency comb via high-bandwidth transducers A Ruehl, **C Benko**, M J Martin, K S E Eikema, M E Fermann, I Hartl, J Ye *CLEO: Science and Innovations* (2012).

Probing many-body spin interactions with an optical lattice clock

A M Rey, M J Martin, M D Swallows, M Bishof, **C Benko**, S Blatt, J von Stecher, A Gorshkov, J Ye *Frequency Control Symposium (FCS), 2012 IEEE International* (2012).

Direct measurement of the XUV frequency comb coherence

C Benko, T K Allison, A Cingöz, D C Yost, J Ye

APS Division of Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics Meeting Abstracts (2013).

High brightness XUV frequency combs via intracavity high harmonic generation T K Allison, A Cingöz, **C Benko**, D C Yost, A Ruehl, M Fermann, I Hartl, J Ye *EPJ Web of Conferences* (2013).

Phase coherent extreme ultraviolet radiation **C Benko**, T K Allison, A Cingöz, D C Yost, J Ye *Advanced Solid State Lasers* (2013).

Extreme ultraviolet radiation with coherence time beyond 1 second T K Allison, **C Benko**, L Hua, F Labaye, D C Yost, J Ye *APS Division of Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics Meeting Abstracts* (2014).

XUV frequency comb

J Ye, C Benko

Latin America Optics and Photonics Conference (2014).

# scientific press

The day the lab stood still

J Phillips

JILA: Light and Matter (2011).

Lasers & Sources: Frequency comb metrology goes extreme UV A Cingöz, T K Allison, D C Yost, **C Benko**, J Ye, A Ruehl, M E Fermann, I Hartl, J. Ye *SPIE Newsroom* (2012).

Super-accurate atomic clock doubles up as quantum sim

L Grossman

New Scientist (2013).

Scaling combs into the XUV

D Pile

Nature Photonics (2014).

Rapid Alignment

K Wright

Physics Synopsis, APS (2015).

A Bug's Life

J Phillips

JILA: Light and Matter (2015).

Combing Frequencies

Ivy F. Kupec

National Science Foundation Discovery (2015).

# **Talks**

2009	<b>Using lasers to understand magnetic semiconductors</b> Undergraduate Science and Engineering Symposium at Santa Clara University.	Santa Clara, California	
2009	Optical transient-grating detection of ferromagnetic		
	diffusion in GaMnAs.	Santa Clara, California	
	Physics Colloquium at Santa Clara University.		
2011	A <sup>87</sup> Sr optical lattice clock:		
	towards the next decade of accuracy and stability	Glasgow, Scotland	
	Scottish University Summer School in Physics 67 (SUSSP:	67).	
2012	Frequency combs in the extreme ultraviolet	Thun, Switzerland	
	Invited. Advances in Laser Technology (ALT) Conference.		
2013	Direct measurement of the phase coherence		

	of XUV frequency combs	Davos, Switzerland
2013	Invited. Ultrafast Optics IX.  Direct measurement of the XUV comb coherence  APS Division of Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics (DAMOP) Conference.	Quebec, Canada
2013	Phase coherent extreme ultraviolet radiation	Paris, France
2014	Invited. Advanced Solid State Lasers (ASSL) Conference.  Phase coherent extreme ultraviolet radiation Invited. High Intensity Lasers and Strong-field Phenome (HILAS) Conference.	Berlin, Germany
2014	Phase coherent extreme ultraviolet radiation: frequency metrology to attosecond physics.  Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron (DESY).	Hamburg, Germany
2014	Phase coherent extreme ultraviolet radiation: frequency metrology to attosecond physics.  Max-Planck-Institut für Quantenoptik.	Garching, Germany
2014	XUV frequency combs	Baton Rouge, Louisiana
2014	Schafer-Gaarde Group, Lousiana State University.  XUV frequency combs  Invited. Latin America Optics and Photonics Conference	Cancun, Mexico
2015	XUV frequency combs  Invited. 5 <sup>to</sup> International Conference on Attosecond Phy	Quebec, Canada
2015	XUV frequency combs	Beijing, China
2015	Invited. Ultrafast Optics X.  XUV frequency combs: physics from seconds to attoseconds	Palo Alto, CA
2015	Reis Group, PULSE Institute and Stanford University.  XUV frequency combs: interferometry in the XUV  Müller Group, University of California Berkeley.	Berkeley, CA
2016	XUV frequency combs: coherent light below 100 nm S2 Corporation	Bozeman, MT
2016	XUV frequency combs: coherent light below 100 nm Hommelhoff Group, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität	Erlangen, Germany

# Non-scientific employment

2002-2004	Longs Drugstore	Watsonville, California	
	Register clerk. Shelf stocker.		
2004-2006	Seascape Golf Club	Aptos, California	
	Cart attendant. Driving range maintenance.		
2007	Santa Clara University	Santa Clara, California	
	Archival assistant.		
2007	Sprig Electric	San Jose, California	
	Summer internship for researching alternative energy viability for an		
	electrical contractor in the Silicon Valley.		
2007-2010	Private Tutor	Santa Clara, California	
	Private tutor for mathematics, physics, and SAT preparation. Operated		
	independently and through the Drahmann Center at Santa Clara		
	University.		