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Professor of Physics, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Education

- 1988 PHD Physics, Princeton University. Dissertation: *Relaxation of Long-Lived Atomic States*
- 1986 MA Physics, Princeton University
- 1983 BS Physics, Abilene Christian University

Professional and Research Experience

- 1990– Professor of Physics, University of Wisconsin-Madison (1990-3 Asst., 1993-7 Assoc.)
- 1988-90 Research Associate, JILA, University of Colorado.
- 1988 Research Associate, Princeton University.

Awards

- 2000 Vilas Associate Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 1999 Fellow, American Physical Society, *For pioneering research in spin exchange, optical pumping, ultra-cold collisions, spin polarized beams and targets, laser cooling, and electron scattering.*
- 1996 H. I. Romnes Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 1992 Packard Fellowship in Science and Engineering
- 1992 National Science Foundation Young Investigator Award
- 1991 Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship Award
- 1983 Fred J. Barton Award, Abilene Christian University.

Research Interests

Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics: Spin-exchange optical pumping; Biomagnetometry; Laser cooling and trapping of atoms; Quantum computation with Rydberg atoms.

Publication Summary

- 1985– REFEREED ARTICLES: ~ 119; h-number 32.
- 2010 BOOK: *Optically Pumped Atoms*, by William Happer, Yuan-Yu Jau, and Thad G. Walker
- MAJOR REVIEWS:
- 2010 "[Quantum Information with Rydberg Atoms](#)", *Reviews of Modern Physics*
- 1998 "[Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping of Noble-Gas Nuclei](#)", *Reviews of Modern Physics*
- 1995 "[Measurements of Collisions Between Laser-Cooled Atoms](#)", *Advances in Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics*
- RECENT ARTICLES OF NOTE:
- 2015 "[Coherence and Rydberg Blockade of Atomic Ensemble Qubits](#)", *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **115**, 093601.
- 2014 "[Atomic Fock State Preparation Using Rydberg Blockade](#)", *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **112**, 043602.
- 2013 "[Laboratory Search for a Long-Range \$T\$ -Odd, \$P\$ -Odd Interaction from Axionlike Particles Using Dual-Species Nuclear Magnetic Resonance with Polarized \$^{129}\text{Xe}\$ and \$^{131}\text{Xe}\$ Gas](#)", *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **111**, 102001.
- 2013 "[Suppression of Spin-Exchange Relaxation Using Pulsed Parametric Resonance](#)", *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **111**, 043002.
- 2012 "[Optical Magnetometer Array for Fetal Magnetocardiography](#)", *Opt. Lett.* **37**, 2247.
- 2010 "[Demonstration of a neutral atom controlled-NOT quantum gate](#)", *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **104**, 010503.

Patents

- 2000 *Frequency-Narrowed High Power Diode Laser Array Method and System*, co-inventors I. Nelson and B. Chann, U. S. patent #6,584,133
- 2000 *Frequency-Narrowed High Power Diode Laser System with External Cavity*, co-inventors I. Nelson and B. Chann, U. S. patent #6,868,099
- 2011 *Noble Gas Magnetic Resonator*, co-inventors B. Lancor, R. Wyllie, US Patent #20,130,033,261
- 2012 *Gas Magnetometer*, co-inventors B. Lancor, R. Wyllie, US Patent #20,130,033,255

National Committee Service

- 2014-7 Member, NASA Fundamental Physics Science Standing Review Board
- 2013-4 Local host, 45th DAMOP Meeting
- 2012-5 DAMOP Program Committee
- 2009 Chosen as "Outstanding Referee" by the American Physical Society
- 2007 Organizer, Midwest Cold Atoms Workshop
- 2006-7 DAMOP Nomination Committee, Chair.
- 2005 Chair, DLS Nomination Committee.
- 2003-5 DAMOP Program Committee.
- 2000-2003 NRC Panel, NIST Physics Division. Chair, Atomic Physics Panel.
- 1999-2002 Chair, APS DAMOP Education Committee.
- 1997-2000 NIST Precision Measurements Grants Committee.
- 1997 Member, NSF Physics Division Committee of Visitors.
- 1997-2001 APS DAMOP Executive Committee, Program Committee, Education Committee.
- 1996-7 Secretary, 50th Gaseous Electronics Conference.
- 1996-1999 Executive Committee, Gaseous Electronics Conference.

Research Advisees

PHD (15): D. Hoffmann (1996), P. Feng (1996), R. Williamson (1997), R. Nesnidal (1999), S. Kadlecik (1999), I. Nelson (2001), B. Chann (2003), R. Newell (2003), J. Sebbby-Strabley (2004), E. Babcock (2005), J. Day (2008), E. Brekke (2009), E. Urban (2009), B. Lancor, (2011), R. Wyllie (2012). Current PhD Students: Z. DeLand, M. Ebert, A. Korver, M. Bulatowicz, D. Thrasher. POSTDOCTORAL ADVISEES: J. Tobiason, S. Bali, R. S. Schappe, C. Sukenik, S. Kadlecik, P. Kulatunga, D. Yavuz, Z. Li, M. Kauer, X. Zhang, B. Lancor, I. Sulai.

Teaching Highlights

COURSES TAUGHT

Introductory level: General Physics, Introduction to Modern Physics, Modern Physics for Engineers, A Modern Introduction to Physics

Advanced Undergraduate level: Electric Circuits and Electronics, Electromagnetic Fields, Wave Motion and Optics, Atomic and Quantum Physics

Graduate level: Lasers, Applied Optics, Quantum Electronics

INNOVATION

Led review (1998-9) of Physics undergraduate program; development of a new introductory course sequence for physics majors, *A Modern Introduction to Physics*, in which modern physics is taught from the very beginning. The number of physics majors doubled as a result. Introduced *Mathematica* into quantum mechanics course to reduce student algebra burdens; allows richer questions to be investigated and improves computer literacy among physics students.

Research Highlights

LASER TRAPPING AND COOLING OF ATOMS

Laser cooling methods have made a dramatic impact on atomic physics, resulting in three Nobel Prizes. Laser cooled atoms are used for Bose-Einstein condensation, atomic clocks, ultracold collisions, and quantum information processing. Some of the contributions of Prof. Walker and his group are:

- First diode-laser atom trap, light-intensity dependence of ultracold collisions (Pub. #12)¹
- Discovery and explanation of light-induced collective phenomena in traps (Pub. #14)
- Spin-polarized trapping of atoms. (Pub. #19)
- First observation of Landau-Zener excitation in ultracold collisions. (Pub. #26)
- First use of trapped atoms as target for scattering experiments. (Pub. # 30,37)
- Demonstration of funnel-loaded trap (Pub. #44)
- Spatial heterodyne imaging of atoms– 1/1000 photon per atom. (Pub. #52)
- New concepts in single atom, single photon sources (Pub. # 62)
- Record trapped-atom densities in Holographic Atom Trap(Pub. # 64,71)
- High fidelity quantum manipulation of atoms in an array of traps (Pub. #77)
- Coherent Rabi Oscillations With Rydberg Atoms (Pub. #82)
- Rydberg Blockade of single atoms 10 μm apart. (Pub. #87)
- First Neutral Atom CNOT gate (Pub. #89)
- Deterministic entanglement of neutral atom pairs (Pub. #94)
- Review article on quantum information with Rydberg atoms (Pub. #92)
- Production of Atomic Fock states using Rydberg blockade (Pub. #116)
- Coherence and blockade of W-states of ensembles (Pub. #120)

SPIN-POLARIZED ATOMS

Optical Pumping is an important method for producing spin polarized samples of atoms and nuclei for magnetic-resonance imaging, polarized ion beams for accelerators, targets for scattering experiments, and high sensitivity detectors such as magnetometers. Major contributions include:

- Origin of spin-rotation interaction in alkali–noble-gas molecules (Pub. #2), (Pub. #39).
- Reliable estimates of spin-exchange and spin-relaxation rates (Pub. #13).
- Prediction (subsequently experimentally confirmed by groups at Argonne and Erlangen) of nuclear polarization of H and D atoms by spin-exchange at high fields. (Pub. #21)
- Discovery of alkali-alkali spin-relaxation due to triplet dimer formation (Pub # 41, 51)
- Invention of new narrow-band high power laser sources (Pub #48, 50, 66).
- Discovery of Xe-Xe molecular spin relaxation (Pub. #58)
- State-of-the-art measurements of spin-relaxation rates. (Pub # 57,59)
- Hybrid spin-exchange optical pumping. (Pub. #65)
- Discovery of ‘X-factor’ polarization limits of Rb-³He. (Pub. #76)
- Major review article on spin-exchange optical pumping. (Pub. #38)
- Novel method for atomic magnetometry (Pub. #78)
- Discovery of angular momentum selection rule violation (Pub. #93)
- First detection of fetal magnetocardiography with an atomic magnetometer (Pub. #104)

¹Publication numbers refer to the publication list on pages ??-??.

Publications in Refereed Journals

- 27 Physical Review Letters, Nature Physics
2 Reviews of Modern Physics
7 Optics Letters, Optics Express
13 Applied Physics Letters, Physical Review Rapid Communications, Europhysics Letters, Physics Letters, Chemical Physics Letters, Laser Physics Letters
3 Advances in Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics
44 Archival journals: Physical Review, Journal of the Optical Society of America, Journal of Applied Physics, Applied Optics, Journal of Chemical Physics
121. "Synchronous Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping", A. Korver, D. Thrasher, M. Bulatowicz, and T. Walker, ArXiv 1506.08797 (2015) [eprint](#)
120. "Coherence and Rydberg Blockade of Atomic Ensemble Qubits", M. Ebert, M. Kwon, T. G. Walker, and M. Saffman, Phys. Rev. Lett. **115**, 093601 (Aug 2015) [eprint](#)
119. "Synchronously Pumped NMR Gyro", T. Walker, A. Korver, D. Thrasher, and M. Bulatowicz, 2015 IEEE International Symposium on Inertial Sensors and Systems (2015) [eprint](#)
118. "Accurate energies of the He atom with undergraduate quantum mechanics", R. C. Massé and T. G. Walker, American Journal of Physics **83**(8), 730 (2015) [eprint](#)
117. "Comment on "New Limit on Lorentz-Invariance- and *CPT*-Violating Neutron Spin Interactions Using a Free-Spin-Precession ^3He - ^{129}Xe Comagnetometer"", M. V. Romalis, D. Sheng, B. Saam, and T. G. Walker, Phys. Rev. Lett. **113**, 188901 (Oct 2014) [eprint](#)
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115. "Atomic Fock State Preparation Using Rydberg Blockade", M. Ebert, A. Gill, M. Gibbons, X. Zhang, M. Saffman, and T. Walker, Phys. Rev. Lett. **112**, 043602 (2013) [eprint](#)
114. "Preparation of a single atom in an optical microtrap", A. V. Carpentier, Y. H. Fung, P. Sompet, A. J. Hilliard, T. G. Walker, and M. F. Andersen, Laser Phys. Lett. **10**(12) (2013) [eprint](#)
113. "Laboratory Search for a Long-Range *T*-Odd, *P*-Odd Interaction from Axionlike Particles Using Dual-Species Nuclear Magnetic Resonance with Polarized ^{129}Xe and ^{131}Xe Gas", M. Bulatowicz, R. Griffith, M. Larsen, J. Mirijanian, C. B. Fu, E. Smith, W. M. Snow, H. Yan, and T. G. Walker, Phys. Rev. Lett. **111**, 102001 (Sep 2013) [eprint](#)
112. "Comment on "Enhanced polarization and mechanisms in optically pumped hyperpolarized ^3He in the presence of ^4He ", T. R. Gentile, M. E. Hayden, P. J. Nacher, A. K. Petukhov, B. Saam, and T. G. Walker, Phys. Rev. A **88**, 017401 (Jul 2013)
111. "Suppression of Spin-Exchange Relaxation Using Pulsed Parametric Resonance", A. Korver, R. Wyllie, B. Lancor, and T. G. Walker, Phys. Rev. Lett. **111**, 043002 (Jul 2013) [eprint](#)
110. "Wide Angle Polarization Analysis with Neutron Spin Filters", Q. Ye, T. Gentile, J. Anderson, C. Broholm, W. Chen, Z. DeLand, R. Erwin, C. Fu, J. Fuller, A. Kirchhoff, J. Rodriguez-Rivera, V. Thampy, T. Walker, and S. Watson, Physics Procedia **42**(0), 206 (2013) [eprint](#)

109. "Diffusive suppression of AC-Stark shifts in atomic magnetometers", I. A. Sulai, R. Wyllie, M. Kauer, G. S. Smetana, R. T. Wakai, and T. G. Walker, *Opt. Lett.* **38**(6), 974 (Mar 2013) [eprint](#)
108. "Quantum optics: Strongly interacting photons", T. G. Walker, *Nature* **488**(7409), 39 (2012) [eprint](#)
107. "Excitation suppression due to interactions between microwave-dressed Rydberg atoms", E. Brekke, J. O. Day, and T. G. Walker, *Phys. Rev. A* **86**, 033406 (Sep 2012) [eprint](#)
106. "Matrix Numerov method for solving Schrödinger's equation", M. Pillai, J. Goglio, and T. G. Walker, *Am. J. Phys.* **80**(11), 1017 (2012) [eprint](#)
105. "Entanglement of Two Atoms Using Rydberg Blockade", T. G. Walker and M. Saffman, *Adv. At. Mol. Opt. Phys.* **61**, 81 (2012) [eprint](#)
104. "Optical magnetometer array for fetal magnetocardiography", R. Wyllie, M. Kauer, R. T. Wakai, and T. G. Walker, *Opt. Lett.* **37**(12), 2247 (Jun 2012) [eprint](#)
103. "Fidelity of a Rydberg-blockade quantum gate from simulated quantum process tomography", X. L. Zhang, A. T. Gill, L. Isenhower, T. G. Walker, and M. Saffman, *Phys. Rev. A* **85**, 042310 (Apr 2012) [eprint](#)
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100. "Formation and dynamics of van der Waals molecules in buffer-gas traps", N. Brahm, T. V. Tscherbul, P. Zhang, J. Klos, R. C. Forrey, Y. S. Au, H. R. Sadeghpour, A. Dalgarno, J. M. Doyle, and T. G. Walker, *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* **13**, 19125 (2011) [eprint](#)
99. "Polarization limits in K-Rb spin-exchange mixtures", B. Lancor and T. G. Walker, *Phys. Rev. A* **83**, 065401 (Jun 2011) [eprint](#)
98. "Effects of high intensity neutron flux on in-situ spin-exchange optical pumping of ^3He ", E. Babcock, S. Boag, C. Beecham, T. E. Chupp, T. R. Gentile, G. L. Jones, A. K. Petukhov, and T. G. Walker, *J. Phys. Conf. Ser.* **294**(1), 012011 (2011) [eprint](#)
97. "Fundamentals of Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping", T. G. Walker, *J. Phys. Conf. Ser.* **294**(1), 012001 (2011) [eprint](#)
96. "Effects of nitrogen quenching gas on spin-exchange optical pumping of ^3He ", B. Lancor and T. G. Walker, *Phys. Rev. A* **82**, 043417 (Oct 2010) [eprint](#)
95. "Circular dichroism of RbHe and RbN₂ molecules", B. Lancor, E. Babcock, R. Wyllie, and T. G. Walker, *Phys. Rev. A* **82**, 043435 (Oct 2010) [eprint](#)
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92. "Quantum information with Rydberg atoms", M. Saffman, T. G. Walker, and K. Mølmer, *Rev. Mod. Phys.* **82**, 2313 (Aug 2010) [eprint](#)
91. "Formation of van der Waals Molecules in Buffer-Gas-Cooled Magnetic Traps", N. Brahm, T. V. Tscherbul, P. Zhang, J. Klos, H. R. Sadeghpour, A. Dalgarno, J. M. Doyle, and T. G. Walker, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **105**, 033001 (Jul 2010) [eprint](#)
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89. "Demonstration of a Neutral Atom Controlled-NOT Quantum Gate", L. Isenhower, E. Urban, X. L. Zhang, A. T. Gill, T. Henage, T. A. Johnson, T. G. Walker, and M. Saffman, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **104**, 010503 (Jan 2010) [eprint](#) This work was [written up](#) in the Feb. 2010 issue of *Physics Today* and highlighted in a *Physics* synopsis, [Opening the gate to quantum computation](#).
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86. "Four-wave mixing in ultracold atoms using intermediate Rydberg states", E. Brekke, J. O. Day, and T. G. Walker, *Phys. Rev. A* **78**(6), 063830 (2008) [eprint](#)
85. "Neutron Beam Effects on Spin-Exchange-Polarized ^3He ", M. Sharma, E. Babcock, K. H. Andersen, L. Barrón-Palos, M. Becker, S. Boag, W. C. Chen, T. E. Chupp, A. Danagoulian, T. R. Gentile, A. Klein, S. Penttila, A. Petoukhov, T. Soldner, E. R. Tardiff, T. G. Walker, and W. S. Wilburn, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **101**, 083002 (Aug 2008) [eprint](#)
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83. "Consequences of Zeeman degeneracy for the van der Waals blockade between Rydberg atoms", T. G. Walker and M. Saffman, *Phys. Rev. A* **77**, 032723 (2008) [eprint](#)
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"Coherence and Interactions of Atomic Ensemble Qubits", MURI Workshop, Oct. 20, 2015.

"Manipulation of Atomic Ensemble Qubits Using Rydberg Blockade", Atomic Physics Gordon Conference, Newport, RI, June 17, 2015.

"W-State Encoding of Atomic Ensembles Using Rydberg Blockade", Photonics North, Ottawa, June 11, 2015

"Synchronous Hyperpolarization and NMR of Xe Gas", Exotica Session, 56th Experimental Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Conference, April 22, 2015.

"Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping of He-3", Mini-symposium on Optically Pumped Polarized Targets, Sources and Methods, April APS Meeting, April 14, 2015s

"Synchronously Pumped NMR Gyro", IEEE International Symposium on Inertial Sensors and Systems, Mar 25, 2015

"Synchronous Spin Exchange Optical Pumping",Hyperpolarized Noble Gases Workshop, Les Houches , Oct. 1, 2014.

"From Optical Pumping to Optical Marshak Waves; Happer physics above and below the h-line", Happer Symposium, Princeton, NJ, Sept. 26, 2014.

"Generation of Atomic Fock States Using Rydberg Blockade", Hot Topics Session, DAMOP, June 6, 2014.

- "Optical Magnetometry", Plenary Speaker, Texas Section of the American Physical Society, Mar 22, 2014.
- "Generation of Atomic Fock States", MURI workshop, Dec 18, 2013.
- "Quantum Manipulation with Rydberg Atoms", Laser Science XXIX, October 6, 2013.
- "NMR Rotation Sensors", Fifth Annual Autonomous Guidance, Navigation, and Control (AGN&C) Symposium, 16 May, 2013. "Distinguished Lecturer" Award.
- "NMR Oscillators", Northrop-Grumman Navigation Systems Division, January 8, 2013.
- "Application of Atomic Magnetometers to fMCG", BioMag, August 28, 2012.
- "Quantum state control in Rydberg blockaded ensembles", MURI Light-Atom Interfaces Workshop, Santa Barbara, CA, December 11, 2012.
- "Entanglement of two atoms by Rydberg Blockade", Canadian Institute for Advanced Research UltraCold Matter Meeting, February 16, 2012.
- "Light-matter entanglement and quantum gates based on Rydberg blockade", MURI workshop, October 25, 2011.
- "Single atom loading", invited talk, CRYP10 workshop on Cold Rydberg Gases and Ultracold Plasmas, 7 September 2010.
- "Photon budget for spin-exchange optical pumping", invited talk, JCNS Workshop on Modern Trends in Production and Applications of Polarized ^3He , July 11, 2010.
- "Fundamentals of SEOP", invited talk, JCNS Workshop on Modern Trends in Production and Applications of Polarized ^3He , July 11, 2010.
- "Rydberg-mediated quantum manipulation of atoms", DAMOP invited talk, May 30, 2010.
- "Quantum Manipulation of Ensembles", ITAMP Workshop: "Engineering Rydberg Interactions in Atoms, Molecules and Plasmas: A Collaborative Workshop", Sept. 21, 2009.
- "Rydberg Atoms and Quantum Computation", DAMOP Graduate Student Symposium, May 14, 2009. "Atomic and Molecular Collisions", Session Chair, 2009 Gordon Conference on Atomic Physics, Tilton, NH, July 1, 2009.
- "Atomic Processes in Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping", Workshop on Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping, University of Virginia, May 14, 2009.
- "Ultrasensitive Atomic Magnetometers", BIOMAG 2008, Saporro, Japan, August 25, 2008.
- "Consequences of Forster Resonances for Rydberg Blockade", Workshop on Rydberg Excited Atoms, Sandbjerg, Denmark, May 16 2008.
- "Quantum Manipulation of Atoms Using Rydberg States", SQuINT Meeting, February 17, 2006.
- "Turning photons into polarized nuclei", Invited Talk, Gordon Research Conference on Atomic Physics, June 18, 2003.
- "Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping with Frequency-Narrowed Diode Arrays", Invited Talk, HELION02, Mainz, Germany, September 9, 2002.
- "Non-destructive imaging of atoms in FORTs", invited talk, 2001 CAP Congress, June 2001.
- "Electron Collisions Using a Trapped Atom Target", invited talk, DAMOP, May 27, 1998.
- "Excited-State Ultracold Collisions", invited talk, ESCOLAR '98, Burgenland, Austria, April 1, 1998.
- "Two-photon energy pooling collisions of Rb", invited talk, Workshop on Collisions of Cold, Trapped Atoms, JILA, November 1997.
- "Excited-State Ultracold Collisions", invited talk, Gaseous Electronics Conference, October 1997.
- "Measurements of Electron-Scattering Cross Sections Using Optically-Trapped Atoms", invited talk, APS DAMOP Meeting, May 1996.

"Beta-Asymmetry Experiments Using Trapped Atoms", invited talk, APS Washington Meeting, April 1995.

"Novel Collisional Processes in Traps", invited discussion leader, Telluride workshop on Ultracold Collision Dynamics, August 1994.

"Spin-Exchange in Polarized H and D Targets", invited talk, Workshop on Polarized Beams and Targets, Les Houches, June 1994.

"Collective Behavior of Atoms in Optical Traps", invited talk, Optical Society of America meeting, October 4, 1993.

"Collisions of Optically Trapped Atoms", invited talk, Gaseous Electronics Conference, Boston, October 29, 1992.

"Dynamics of Trap-loss Collisions", Symposium on Cold Atom Collisions, Harvard, April 26, 1992.

"Collective Phenomena in Optical Traps", invited discussion leader, Telluride workshop on Cold Atoms, August 1990.

"Collisional Loss Mechanisms in Light-Force Atom Traps", invited talk, XVI International Conference on the Physics of Electron and Atomic Collisions, New York, July 1989.

Invited Colloquia and Seminars

"Synchronous Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping", Northwestern University AMO Seminar, Oct. 13, 2015.

"Enhancing Quantum Mechanics Using Mathematica", Educational Innovation Seminar, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison, Mar 11, 2015.

"Quantum Manipulation Without Forces", Purdue University Physics Colloquium, Oct 30, 2014.

"Quantum Manipulation Without Forces", Abilene Christian University, Feb 6, 2014.

"Search for axions using dual-species NMR and the NGC Test Station", Northrop-Grumman Navigation Division, Jan 7, 2014.

"Pulsed Parametric Magnetometers and NMR Resonators", Symmetricom Inc., 17 May 2013.

"Deterministic Single-Atom Loading", Harvard-MIT Center for Ultracold Atoms Seminar, April 16, 2013.

"Magnetometers for Fetal Biomagnetism and Fundamental Physics", Old Dominion University Physics Colloquium, February 19, 2013.

"NMR Oscillators", Northrop-Grumman Navigation Systems Division, January 8, 2013.

"Detection of Fetal Magnetocardiography with an Atomic Magnetometer", Northrop-Grumman Navigation Systems Division, January 10, 2012.

"Quantum Manipulation of Atoms-Without Forces", Northrop-Grumman Navigation Systems Division, March 24, 2011.

"Turning Photons into Polarized Nuclei", Atomic Physics Seminar, Univ. of Utah, Nov. 6, 2009.

"Quantum Manipulation of Atoms-Without Forces", Physics Colloquium, Univ. of Utah, Nov. 5, 2009.

"Quantum Manipulation of Atoms-Without Forces", Penn State Physics Colloquium, Oct. 8, 2009.

"Observation of Rydberg Blockade between Pairs of Atoms", University of Virginia Physics Colloquium, March 27, 2009.

"Observation of Rydberg Blockade between Pairs of Atoms", Joint ITAMP/Harvard Atomic Physics Colloquium, Nov. 19, 2008.

- "Quantum Manipulation of Atoms–Without Forces", Marietta College Physics Colloquium, Oct. 17, 2008.
- "Turning photons into polarized nuclei", Physics Colloquium, College of William and Mary, Dec. 7, 2007.
- "Quantum Manipulations Using Rydberg Atoms", Joint Quantum Institute Seminar, University of Maryland, October 22, 2007.
- "Quantum Entanglement of Atoms–Without Forces", Physics Colloquium, St. Olaf College, November 8, 2006.
- "Quantum Manipulations Using Rydberg Atoms", University of Connecticut Physics Colloquium, October 6, 2006.
- "Quantum Manipulations Using Rydberg Atoms", Ohio State Atomic Physics Seminar, April 27, 2006.
- "Quantum Manipulations Using Rydberg Atoms", LANL Quantum Lunch Seminar, March 23, 2006.
- "Quantum Manipulation of Trapped Neutral Atoms", Harvard/MIT Center for Ultracold Atoms, November, 2005.
- "Quantum Entanglement of Atoms–Without Forces", Physics Seminar, Abilene Christian University, March 1, 2005.
- "Cold Atoms at High Densities: One at a Time", Physics Colloquium, University of Nevada-Reno, October 18, 2004.
- "Turning photons into polarized nuclei", Physics Colloquium, University of Central Michigan, April 15, 2004.
- "Cold Atoms at High Densities: One at a Time", Physics Colloquium, University of Delaware, February 18, 2004.
- "Converting photons into polarized nuclei", Colloquium, University of New Hampshire, January 27, 2003.
- "High-Density Atom Traps", Colloquium, Harvard/MIT Center for Ultracold Atoms, November 26, 2002.
- "Fundamental Processes in Rb-Xe Spin Exchange", Surface Physics Seminar, Marburg University, Marburg, Germany, September 6, 2002.
- "High-Density Trapped Atoms in a Holographic Atom Trap", Quantum Optics Seminar, Aarhus University, June 14, 2002.
- "Hot and Cold Collisions", Atomic Physics Seminar, Oersted Laboratory, Niels Bohr Institute, June 12, 2002.
- "Spin-exchange optical pumping", NIST Physics Colloquium, Nov. 29, 2000.
- "Spin-exchange optical pumping of ^3He and ^{129}Xe using frequency narrowed diode lasers", P-23 Seminar, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Oct. 12, 2000.
- "Towards the Ultimate Laser Cooling", Washington University Condensed Matter Seminar, Feb. 28, 2000.
- "Laser Cooling", Lawrence University Science Colloquium, Jan. 20, 2000.
- "Hyperpolarized Noble Gases", Lawrence University Physics Seminar, Jan. 20, 2000.
- "Limits on Production of Hyperpolarized Noble Gases", Monday Morning Seminar Series, Argonne National Laboratory Chemistry Division, Jan. 10, 2000.
- "Physical Limits on Production of Hyperpolarized Noble Gases", Univ. of Texas Quantum Optics Seminar, Nov. 5, 1999.
- "Collisions Hot and Cold", Michigan Atomic Physics Seminar, March 14, 1999.

- "Light-Induced Ultracold Collision Dynamics", Ohio State Atomic Physics Seminar, May 18, 1998.
- "Excited-State Ultracold Collisions", Notre Dame Atomic Physics Seminar, Feb. 24, 1998.
- "Converting Photons into Polarized Nuclei", Old Dominion University Physics Colloquium, Feb. 13, 1998.
- "Ultracold Collisions", Kansas State University Atomic Physics Seminar, Oct. 11, 1996.
- "The Physics of Laser Cooling", Kansas State University Physics Colloquium, Oct. 10, 1996.
- "Interactions Between Laser-Cooled Rb Atoms", Yale University Atomic Physics Seminar, May 15, 1995.
- "Interactions Between Laser-Cooled Rb Atoms", University of Toledo Physics Department Colloquium, April 13, 1995.
- "Interactions Between Laser-Cooled Rb Atoms", joint seminar of the Harvard-Smithsonian Institute for Theoretical Atomic and Molecular Physics and Harvard University, March 29, 1995.
- "Laser-Cooled Atoms: Ultracold Collisions and Spin-Polarized Traps", Laser Cooling Seminar, L'Ecole Normale Supérieure, June 10, 1994. "Strange Behavior of Laser-Cooled Atoms", Abilene Christian University Colloquium, October 4, 1994.
- "Spin-polarized Atom Traps", TRIUMF Colloquium, February 10, 1994.
- "Strange Behavior of Laser-Cooled Atoms", University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Colloquium, September 15, 1993.
- "Spin-polarized Atom Traps", LAMPF Seminar, Los Alamos Meson Physics Facility, July 8, 1993.
- "Spin-exchange Collisions and their Consequences for Polarized H and D Targets", Nuclear Physics Seminar, University of Wisconsin, September 10, 1992.
- "Spin-exchange Collisions and their Consequences for Polarized H and D Targets", Atomic Physics Seminar, University of Wisconsin, September 3, 1992.
- "Spin-exchange Collisions and their Consequences for Polarized H and D Targets", Nuclear Physics Seminar, Argonne National Laboratory, August 27, 1992.
- "Dynamics of Rb Traploss Collisions", Atomic Physics Seminar, University of Connecticut, April 29, 1992.
- "Strange Behavior of Optically Trapped Atoms", National Institute of Standards and Technology, February 25, 1991.
- "Strange Behavior of Optically Trapped Atoms", Atomic Physics Seminar, Notre Dame University, November 19, 1990.
- "Strange Behavior of Optically Trapped Atoms", Atomic Physics Seminar, Argonne National Laboratory, October 23, 1990.
- "Strange Behavior of Optically Trapped Atoms", Physics Colloquium, University of Wisconsin, September 21, 1990.
- "Collective Behavior of Trapped Atoms", Laser Spectroscopy Seminar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Feb. 27, 1990.
- "Collective Behavior of Trapped Atoms", Physics Colloquium, Purdue University, Feb. 13, 1990.
- "Collective Behavior of Trapped Atoms", Atomic Physics Seminar, University of Wisconsin, Feb. 1, 1990.
- "Collective Behavior of Trapped Atoms", Physics Colloquium, University of Rochester, Jan. 23, 1990.
- "Collisions Between Optically Trapped Atoms", Quantum Optics Seminar, University of Rochester, Jan. 22, 1990.

"Relaxation of Metastable Ba and Ba⁺", seminar given at University of California at Berkeley, University of Washington, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Joint Institute for Laboratory Astrophysics, and Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, April 1-15, 1988.

"Near-Infrared Spectroscopy of the NaK Molecule", Physics Colloquium, Abilene Christian University, Feb. 10, 1985.

Selected Local Seminars

"New laboratory limits on P-odd T-odd Interactions Using Dual-Species NMR", NPAC Forum, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison, March 26, 2013

"Turning Photons into Polarized Nuclei", Physics Dept. Colloquium, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison, Feb. 19, 2010.

"Turning photons into polarized nuclei", Electrical and Computer Engineering Colloquium, University of Wisconsin, November 10, 2003.

"Cold Atom Physics", University of Wisconsin-Madison Physics Colloquium, Oct. 18, 1996.

"Spin-Rotation Interactions of Alkali-Noble-Gas Atom Pairs", University of Wisconsin Atomic Physics Seminar, January 26, 1995.

"Progress in Understanding Ultracold Collision Dynamics", Atomic Physics Seminar, University of Wisconsin, February 17, 1994.

"Atomic Collisions at 100 μ K", Physical Chemistry Seminar, University of Wisconsin, September 15, 1992.

"A Spin-Polarized Atom Trap", Atomic Physics Seminar, University of Wisconsin, March 5, 1992.

"What's Cold in Atomic Collision Physics", Atomic Physics Seminar, University of Wisconsin, October 4, 1990 (continued on October 21, 1990).

Publications by Students and Post-docs

"The Development of a Multichannel Atomic Magnetometer Array for Fetal Magnetocardiography", R. Wyllie, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2012.

"Efficiency of Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping", B. Lancor, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2011.

"Stimulated Emission Studies of Ultracold Rydberg Atoms", E. Brekke, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2009.

"Coherent Manipulation of Single Atom Qubits Using Rydberg States", E. Urban, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2009.

"Towards a Deterministic Single Photon Source", J. Day, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2008.

"Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping with Alkali Metal Vapors", E. Babcock, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2005.

"Demonstration of Dense Mesoscopic Samples in a Holographic Atom Trap", J. Sebby-Strabley, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2004.

"Studies of Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping", B. Chann, Ph. D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2003. "Cold and Dense Clouds of Atoms in a Holographic Atom Trap", R. Newell, Ph. D. Thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2003.

"Physics of Practical Spin-Exchange Optical Pumping", I. Nelson, Ph. D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2001.

- "Spin-Relaxation in Alkali Vapors", S. Kadlecik, Ph. D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2000.
- "Light-Induced Ultracold Spin-Exchange Collisions", R. Nesnidal, Ph. D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2000.
- "A Portable Magneto-Optical Trap", R. Newell, M. S. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1999.
- "Magneto-optical Trapping of Potassium Isotopes", R. S. Williamson III, Ph. D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1997.
- "Spin-polarized Atom Traps", Paul Feng, Ph. D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1996.
- "Light-Induced Collisions of Ultracold Rubidium Atoms", Dominikus Hoffmann, Ph. D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1996.
- "*In Situ* Temperature Measurements of Laser-Cooled Atoms Using Intensity Correlations", Jose Simán, senior thesis, University of Wisconsin.
- "Excited-state Collisions of Rubidium, Induced by $5^2P_{1/2}$ Light", Michiel Peters, equivalent to Diplomarbeit, University of Utrecht.
- "Excited-state Collisions Between Trapped Rubidium Atoms", Dominikus Hoffmann, Diplomarbeit, University of Hamburg, 1993.

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- "Rydberg blockaded ensemble qubits and atom-photon quantum interfaces", NSF PIF, with M. Saffman, 2011-2014, \$610,000.
- "Multi-functional light-matter interfaces based on neutral atoms and solids", AFOSR MURI, with M. Saffman, 2011-2016, \$1,250,000.
- "Rydberg States in Localized Ensembles", NSF, 2009-2012, \$445,000.
- "Polarized ^3He Spin Filters", with W. M. Snow (PI, Indiana University), Tom Gentile (NIST), and G. Jones (Hamilton College), DOE, Wisconsin portion \$271,884, 2010-2013.
- "Atomic Biomagnetometer for Fetal Biomagnetism", NIH, 2009-2013, \$1,300,000.
- "Rydberg States in Dense Atom Traps", NSF, 2006-2009, \$450,000.
- "Fast Quantum Logic Gates using Optically Trapped Neutral Atom Arrays", with Mark Saffman (PI), NSF, \$990,000, 2007-2010, \$140,000 2011.
- "Polarized ^3He in Neutron Scattering", with W. M. Snow (PI, Indiana University), Tom Gentile (NIST), and G. Jones (Hamilton College), DOE, Wisconsin portion \$215,000, 2006-2009.
- "Atomic Biomagnetometer", NIH, with R. Wakai (co-PI), \$387,249, 2005-2007.
- "QNTM: Entanglement in mesoscopic atom clouds and quantum networking", with M. Saffman (PI), \$300,000, 2005-2008.
- "Two-dimensional arrays of neutral atom quantum gates", with M. Saffman (PI), \$2,655,744, 2005-2009
- "Polarized ^3He in Neutron Scattering", with W. M. Snow (PI, Indiana University), Tom Gentile (NIST), and G. Jones (Hamilton College), DOE, Wisconsin portion \$150,000, 2003-2006.
- "Quantum information processing with two-dimensional atomic arrays", with M. Saffman (PI), Dieter van Melkebeek (Co-PI), Kelvin Wagner (Co-PI), NSF, \$2,100,000, 2002-2007.
- "Single photon and single atom sources for quantum information processing", with M. Saffman (PI), NSF \$484,000, 2002-2005.
- "Quantum Logic with Cold Neutral Atoms", with M. Saffman (PI), DOD-Army, 2002-2004, \$471,118.
- "Rydberg states in dense atom traps", NSF, 2002-2006, \$580,000.

"All-Optical High Density Cold Atom Sources", NASA, \$356,000, 2001-2006.
"Spin-Physics Using Hyperpolarized Noble Gases", National Science Foundation, \$462,152, 1997-2002.
"Interactions in Dense Atom Traps", National Science Foundation, \$105,000, 2001-2003.
"Ultracold Collision Dynamics", National Science Foundation, \$210,000, 1999-2002.
"Light-Induced Interactions of Laser-Cooled Atoms", National Science Foundation, \$315,000, 1996-1999.
"Dynamics of Ultracold Collisions", National Science Foundation, \$315,000, 1993-1996.
"Beta Asymmetry Experiments Using Trapped Atoms", National Institute of Standards and Technology Precision Measurements Grant, \$90,000, 1992-1995.
"Interactions of Optically Trapped Atoms", National Science Foundation Young Investigator Award, \$312,500, 1992-1998.
Fellowship in Science and Engineering, David and Lucille Packard Foundation, \$500,000, 1992-1997. Twenty of these fellowships are given each year in all fields of science and engineering. Prof. Walker was the third UW-Madison faculty member, the first from physics, to receive one of these fellowships.
Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, \$30,000, 1991-1993.

Professional Service

2012- DAMOP Program Committee
2010 Physics Program Review Committee, Abilene Christian University.
2007 External Advisory Board, Michigan FOCUS Center.
2006 Chair, DAMOP Nomination Committee.
2005 Physics Program Review Committee, Abilene Christian University.
2005 NSF Frontier Centers Full Panel.
2005 NSF Frontier Centers CUA Panel (Chair).
2005 DAMOP Nomination Committee.
1999-2004: DAMOP Education Committee (Chair).
2003-5: DAMOP Program Committee.
2005 Chair, DLS Nomination Committee. 2000-2003: NRC Panel, NIST Physics Division. Chair, Atomic Physics Panel.
1997-2000: NIST Precision Measurements Grants Committee.
1996-7: Secretary, 50th Gaseous Electronics Conference.
1996-1999: Executive Committee, Gaseous Electronics Conference.
1997 Member, NSF Physics Division Committee of Visitors.
1997-2001: APS DAMOP Executive Committee, Program Committee, Education Committee.
1999-2002: Chair, APS DAMOP Education Committee.

Research Direction

Ph. D. Student Advisees

1. Dominikus Hoffmann received his Ph.D. in 1996. As a graduate student in Prof. Walker's group, Dr. Hoffmann published 9 refereed articles, a Diplomarbeit, entitled "Excited-state collisions between trapped rubidium atoms", for the Universität Hamburg, and his Ph. D. thesis entitled "Light-Induced Collisions of Ultracold Rubidium Atoms". His work centered on the study of interactions between ultracold atoms. He was a post-doc at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, studying MRI using hyperpolarized

gases. In 1999 he returned to Madison to work for Focused Research. He is currently working for the Howard Hughes Medical Institute's Janelia Farm Research Institute.

2. Paul Feng received his Ph.D. in 1996. Dr. Feng published 8 refereed articles as a graduate student, including collaborating with Prof. Walker on a major review article, "Measurements of Collisions Between Laser-cooled Atoms", published in *Advances in Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics*. His Ph. D. was entitled "Spin-polarized Atom Traps". After faculty stints at Pomona College and Hamilton College, he was an assistant professor at the University of St. Thomas. He is now working at 3-M in their patent department.
3. Robert S. Williamson III received his Ph.D. in 1997. Dr. Williamson published 5 refereed articles as a member of Walker's group. His Ph. D. thesis was "Magneto-optical Trapping of Potassium Isotopes". He worked for several years for Focused Research. He is currently Director of Business Development for AlfaLight in Madison.
4. Renée Nesnidal received her Ph. D. in 1999. She published 3 papers on enhancing evanescent wave intensities with multilayer dielectric coatings, spin-exchange collisions of ultracold atoms, and a new method for measuring the fraction of excited atoms in traps, which is an important practical issue for traps used as targets. After graduation she worked for Focused Research. She worked as a group leader for microscopy at Thermo Electron Corp. in Madison and is now at 3M in Minneapolis.
5. Stephen Kadlecik received his Ph.D. in 1999. He published 6 papers on spin-exchange optical pumping for his thesis work. He was a Research Associate in my laboratory for 1 year, publishing one paper on spatial heterodyne imaging, then joined Nycomed Imaging as a senior research physicist. He is currently a Research Professor at the University of Pennsylvania Dept. of Radiology.
6. Ian Nelson received his Ph. D. in 2001 on spin-exchange optical pumping physics. He published 3 papers from his thesis, and two patent awards. After graduating he went to work for Amersham Health. He is a medical physicist at the Medical College of Wisconsin.
7. Bien Chann received his Ph. D. in January 2003 on spin-exchange optical pumping. He published 8 papers, and was awarded 2 patents. He was a scientist at Lincoln Laboratories until 2010, when he left to help start a startup laser company, TeraDiode.
8. Ray Newell graduated in November 2003, with three publications. He is currently a scientist at Los Alamos National Laboratory working on quantum communication.
9. Jennifer Sebbj received her Ph. D. in December 2004, 3 publications, was awarded an NRC postdoc at NIST with W. Phillips, and is now a scientist at Honeywell.
10. Earl Babcock received his Ph. D. in January 2005, with 10 publications, and took a postdoc at ILL in Grenoble, and is currently a scientist at Julich in Germany.
11. Jason Day received his Ph. D. in August 2008, with 4 publications, spent a year at Colorado State University doing atmospheric physics, was a AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellow working at the National Science Foundation, and is now a science advisor for Senator Al Franken on an AGU fellowship. He subsequently became science advisor for Sen. Al Franken, and recently became a Legislative Assistant for Congressman Dan Lipinski.

12. Erich Urban received his Ph. D. in August 2009 with 4 publications, and is currently pursuing a Medical Physics Internship.
13. Erik Brekke received his Ph. D. in August 2009 with 4 publications, and is currently a professor at St. Norbert College.
14. Brian Lancor received his Ph. D. in August 2011 with 5 publications.
15. Robert Wyllie received his Ph. D. in January 2012 with 6 publications. He is currently a postdoc with Trey Porto in the Laser Cooling group at NIST-Gaithersburg.

Post-doctoral Advisees

Dr. Joseph Tobiason (Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1993) worked in Prof. Walker's laboratory for 8 months in 1993, completing one paper on ultracold collisions of rubidium atoms. He moved on to a research associate position at Sandia National Laboratories, then worked for the Kaiser Aluminum Corporation. He is currently a scientist at Micro Encoder, Inc.

Dr. Samir Bali (Ph.D., University of Rochester, 1993) worked in Prof. Walker's laboratory for two years. He is Professor of Physics at Miami University (Ohio).

Dr. Charles Sukenik (Ph.D., Yale University, 1993) is Professor and Chair of Physics at Old Dominion University.

Prof. Walker also partially directed the research of Dr. R. Scott Schappe (Ph. D., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1993), who studied electron collisions with trapped atoms. He is a professor at Lake Forest College.

Dr. Pasad Kulatunga (Ph. D., Old Dominion University, 2001) is an assistant professor at Lawrence University.

Dr. Deniz Yavuz (Ph. D., Stanford University, 2003) is Associate Professor of Physics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Dr. Marie Delaney (Ph. D., University of Aarhus, 2001) works in the photonics industry in Colorado.

Dr. Zhimin Li (Ph. D., UW, 2006) is a post-doc at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston.

Teaching

TEACHING OF COURSES AT U.W.-MADISON

Fall 1990: Phys. 325 Wave Motion and Optics

Spring 1991: Phys. 325 Wave Motion and Optics

Fall 1991: Phys. 746 Quantum Electronics. Presented new techniques of quantum optics.

Spring 1992: Phys. 241 Introduction to Modern Physics. Prof. Walker received an ovation from students on last day of class.

Fall 1992: Phys. 323 Introduction to Electronics

Spring 1993: Phys. 625 Applied Optics

Fall 1993: Phys. 746 Quantum Electronics. Prof. Walker introduced for the first time the Quantum Monte Carlo Wavefunction method into the course, allowing students to solve advanced dissipative Quantum Optics problems in a conceptually and computationally straightforward manner.

Spring 1994: Phys. 325 Wave Motion and Optics

Fall 1994: Phys. 325 Wave Motion and Optics. Also Phys. 306 Special Topics in Physics: Optics

Laboratory. This was an experimental course where the students met one afternoon a week to work on a group project developing a novel Doppler-free interferometer. In this course the students got a taste of real research.

Spring 1995: Phys. 325 Wave Motion and Optics

Fall 1995 Phys. 746 Quantum Electronics.

Spring 1996 Phys. 625 Applied Optics.

Fall 1996 Phys. 241 Modern Physics.

Spring 1997 Phys. 625 Applied Optics. Taught both lecture and laboratory sections, a double load.

Fall 1997 Phys. 241 Modern Physics.

Spring 1998 Phys. 625 Applied Optics.

Fall 1998 Phys. 746 Quantum Electronics.

Spring 1999 Phys. 546 Lasers.

Fall 1999 Phys. 322 Electricity and Magnetism.

Spring 2000 Phys. 241 Introduction to Modern Physics.

Fall 2000 Phys. 247 A Modern Introduction to Physics. A new approach to freshman physics, this course integrated modern physics into the introductory curriculum from the beginning. Mechanics and Relativity

Spring 2000 Phys. 248 A Modern Introduction to Physics. Continuation of 247. Waves, quantum theory, electricity and magnetism.

Fall 2001 Phys 249 A Modern Introduction to Physics. Continuation of 247/8. Quantum theory of atoms, gases, nuclei, and particles.

Spring 2002 Phys 625 Modern Optics.

Fall 2003 Phys 247 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Spring 2004 Phys 248 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Fall 2005 A Phys 249 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Spring 2005 Phys 325 Wave Motion and Optics

Fall 2005 Phys 247 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Spring 2006 Phys 248 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Fall 2006 Phys 249 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Spring 2007 Phys 325 Wave Motion and Optics

Fall 2007 Phys 201 General Physics

Spring 2008 Phys 201 General Physics

Fall 2008 Phys 247 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Spring 2009 Phys 205 Modern Physics for Engineers

Fall 2009 Phys 249 A Modern Introduction to Physics

Spring 2010 Phys 325 Wave Motion and Optics

Fall 2011 Phys 448 Atomic and Quantum Physics

Spring 2012 Phys 449 Atomic and Quantum Physics

Fall 2012 Phys 448 Atomic and Quantum Physics

Spring 2013 Phys 449 Atomic and Quantum Physics

OTHER TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Since coming to Madison, Prof. Walker has taught a regular 1-hour informal seminar on advanced topics in quantum optics, atomic physics, and laser cooling of atoms for the members of his group. This seminar is often attended by graduate students and post-doctoral researchers from other groups as well.

In 1994 Walker and his student Paul Feng developed a new simple and inexpensive method

for microwave modulation of grating-stabilized diode lasers, which are now popular for use in many advanced physics laboratories across the country. This work was published in the American Journal of Physics, the leading journal for physics education, and has the potential to greatly enhance the spread of laser cooling technology into the undergraduate curriculum. Prof. Walker supervised the Hilldale-award-winning senior thesis research, "In Situ Temperature Measurements of Laser-Cooled Atoms Using Intensity Correlations", of José Siman. This work resulted in a paper published by *Physical Review A*.

Prof. Walker supervised a Master's degree project (1993) of Mark Peterson from Electrical Engineering.

Prof. Walker supervised a thesis project, entitled "Excited-state collisions of Rubidium, induced by $5^2P_{1/2}$ light", of Michiel G. Peters of the University of Utrecht.

Russell Hart, a UW sophomore, completed a sophomore honors project in Walker's lab in 1996.

Jocelyn Sincher, a junior at Sun Prairie High School, worked as an hourly in Walker's lab in 1996, as did Brittany Conrad, a student from Oregon High School, in 1997 and 1998.

Jennifer Tate did a Hilldale award thesis project in 1998.

Russell Hart completed a Hilldale award project in 1999.

Nathan Harrison has conducted undergraduate research in 1999-2000.

In 1999 Walker developed a new method for computer generated holography with applications to undergraduate physics laboratories.

Played a leading role in the initiation and development of a new introductory physics sequence, "A Modern Introduction to Physics", that restructures the curriculum to initiate students to modern physics as early as possible. The course is structured as follows: 1st sem has mechanics, relativity, gravity, and a brief introduction to general relativity. 2nd sem includes waves, introduction to quantum mechanics, and electricity, parts of magnetism, and light. 3rd sem has some electricity and magnetism, statistical and thermal physics, atomic, nuclear, particle, and cosmological physics.

2008 Robert Marsland, a high school student, worked as an hourly in Walker's lab.

2008 Jessica and Michael Slutskiy performed a senior thesis project on Bessel beams.

2008-2010 Lauren Levac worked as an hourly and did a senior thesis on frequency narrowed diode lasers.

2009-2013 Greg Smentana was an hourly on atomic magnetometers.

2010 Robert Marsland, a senior at Princeton University, did a summer research project.

2013-present Colin Wahl worked on the magnetometer project.

Department and University Service

Chair, Physics Dept. Ad-Hoc Committee on Support Staff 1994-5.

Physics Dept. Salary Committee 1994-5, 1995-6, 1996-7, 1999-2000 (Chair), 2000-1, 2004-5, 2008-9 (Chair).

Physical Sciences Divisional Committee 1998-2001.

Chair, Review of Physics Undergraduate Program, 1998.

Chair, Intermediate and Advanced Course Committee, 2000-2002.

Chair, AMEP External Review Committee, 2002.

Physics Council 1993-1997.

Director of Undergraduate Program, 2003-2004.

Chair, Ad-Hoc Committee on Physics Department Support Staff, 2004-2005.

Physics Council 2006-2008.

Qualifier Committee Chair 2007-10.

Chair, Salary Committee 2007-8.

Undergraduate Physics Club advisor, 2012-13.