



# Héctor Alejandro Inda Díaz

## Ph.D. in Atmospheric Science. M.S. in Physical Oceanography

### Postdoctoral Researcher

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## Professional preparation

### Ph.D. Atmospheric Sciences

2015-2022

University of California Davis, Davis, California

- Focus on atmospheric dynamics, extreme weather events (heat waves and atmospheric rivers), numerical modeling, and big data analysis

### M.S. Physical Oceanography

2012-2014

Ensenada Center for Scientific Research and Higher Education (CICESE), Baja California, México

- Focus on numerical modeling, Lagrangian dynamics, and connectivity over the Mexican Pacific Ocean

### B.S. Physics

2006-2012

National Autonomous University of México (UNAM), México City, México

- Focus on biophysics: numerical modeling of cardiac ischemic tissue

## Experience

### Research

#### Postdoctoral Researcher

June 2022 - Present

Earth and Environmental Science Area, LBNL

Calibrated and Systematic Characterization, Attribution and Detection of Extremes Scientific Focus Area (CASCADE SFA)

UC Berkeley Monsoon Extremes Project

Research on precipitation extremes associated with the North American monsoon (NAM) system, utilizing the regional refined mesh capabilities in the Energy Exascale Earth System Model (RRM-E3SM) to understand its skill in representing the NAM and how the NAM may be altered by climate change in the coming decades under plausible emissions scenarios and/or warming levels.

- Supervisor: Dr. Alan Rhoades

#### Ph.D. Thesis dissertation

June 2022

Atmospheric Science Graduate Group. UC Davis

CASCADE project. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)

Using Long Term Composites and Objective Tracking to Assess The Spatiotemporal Characteristics, Variability, and Future Changes in Atmospheric Rivers

<https://escholarship.org/uc/item/3bm3n2nr>

- Supervisor: Dr. Travis A. O'Brien

#### Graduate Student Research Assistant (GSRA)

August 2016 – December 2021

Calibrated and Systematic Characterization, Attribution, and Detection of Extremes (CASCADE)

Earth & Environmental Sciences Area, LBNL, Berkeley, California

- Supervisors: Dr. William D. Collins and Dr. Travis A. O'Brien

**Graduate Student Researcher (GSR)***August 2015 – January 2016*

Study of the San Francisco Bay outflow using data in situ  
Bodega Bay Marine Laboratory, University of California Davis

- Supervisor: Dr. John Largier

**M.S. Thesis dissertation***September 2013 – April 2015*

“Lagrangian characteristics and connectivity in the Mexican Pacific Ocean”

Laboratory of Numerical Modeling of the Ocean, Department of Physical Oceanography, CICESE

Lagrangian Characteristics and Connectivity in the Mexican Eastern Pacific

<https://cicese.repositorioinstitucional.mx/jspui/handle/1007/1240>

- Supervisor: Dr. Alejandro Parés Sierra

**B.S. Thesis dissertation***September 2011 – August 2012*

“Discordant alternans in a ischemic cardiac tissue”

Laboratory for Biophysics and Excitable Systems, School of Sciences, UNAM

Discordant Alternans inside an Ischemic Cardiac Tissue Ring

[https://ru.dgb.unam.mx/handle/DGB\\_UNAM/TES01000682927](https://ru.dgb.unam.mx/handle/DGB_UNAM/TES01000682927)

- Supervisor: Dr. Jorge Humberto Arce Rincón

## Teaching

**Teacher Assistant***March 2021 – June 2021*

The art of climate modeling

Department of Land, Air, and Water Resources, University of California Davis

**Teacher Assistant***March 2018 – June 2018*

Python for environmental scientists

Department of Land, Air, and Water Resources, University of California Davis

**Teacher Assistant***March 2017 – June 2017*

Python for environmental scientists

Department of Land, Air, and Water Resources, University of California Davis

**Teacher Assistant***January 2014 – April 2014*

Fluid dynamics

Department of Physical Oceanography, CICESE

**Teacher Assistant***August 2011 – February 2012*

Fluid Dynamics and Continuous Medium Physics

Department of physics, School of Sciences, UNAM

**Teacher Assistant***January 2011 – August 2011*

Computer sciences for physics

Department of physics, School of Sciences, UNAM

**Teacher Assistant***January 2011 – August 2011*

Algebra for physics

Department of mathematics, School of Sciences, UNAM

## Skills

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### Programing languages

Python | C | C++ | Fortran | Matlab | Ferret | Bash | CDO | NCO | High-performance computer systems  
CUDA | NCL | Perl | R

### Python's frameworks and libraries

Jupyter | Dask Slurmcluster | Numpy | NetCDF4 | Pandas | Scikit-learn | Scipy | Numba | Cython | Matplotlib  
Shapely | Fiona | mpi4py | xarray | PyNco | Seawater | Cartopy | Among others

### Numerical modeling for the ocean and the atmosphere

Weather Research and Forecasting Model (WRF) | Regional Climate Model System (RegCM)  
Community Earth System Model (CESM) | Energy Exascale Earth System Model (E3SM)  
Regional Refined Model E3SM (RRM-E3SM)  
Regional Ocean Modeling System (ROMS) | Coastal and Regional Ocean COMMunity model (CROCO)

### Languages

Spanish	English	Russian
Native	Fluent (TOEFL IBT score 104/120)	Intermediate (speaking)

## Main presentations

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### International Atmospheric Rivers Conference

*Santiago, Chile, October 202*

Oral presentation: "Relationship Between Atmospheric Rivers and the Dry Season Extreme Precipitation in Central-Western Mexico"

Oral presentation: "Change in Size of Atmospheric Rivers Under Future Climate Scenarios. A Perspective Independent of the Detection Algorithm Extreme Precipitation in Central-Western Mexico"

### American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

*New Orleans, Louisiana, December 2021*

Poster: "Characterizing the size of Atmospheric Rivers using a perspective independent from the detection algorithm"

### American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

*New Orleans, Louisiana, December 2021*

\*Poster: "Anthropogenic and Meteorological Contributions to the 2021 Pacific Northwest Heatwave"

### American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

*San Francisco, California, December 2019*

\*Poster: "The Importance of Uncertainty in the Detection of Weather Events: Probabilistic Detection of Atmospheric Rivers"

### 3rd Atmospheric River Tracking Method Intercomparison Project Workshop.

*Berkeley, CA, October 2019*

Poster: "Characterizing the size, Lagrangian properties, and coherent structures of atmospheric rivers"

### Mexican Geophysical Union Annual Meeting

*Puerto Vallarta, México, October 2019*

Oral presentation: "Assessing the atmospheric rivers size independently from the detection algorithm"

### American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

*New Orleans, Louisiana, December 2017*

Poster: "Contrasting self-aggregation over land and ocean surfaces"

### American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

*San Francisco, California, December 2016*

Poster: "The anthropogenic influence on heat and humidity in the US Midwest"

### Mexican Geophysical Union Annual Meeting

*Puerto Vallarta, México, October 2014*

Oral presentation: "Connectivity patterns in the Mexican Ocean Pacific coast, a numerical study"

### 7th International Meeting of Students in Physical Oceanography

Ensenada, México, November 2014

Oral presentation: "Connectivity patterns in the Mexican Ocean Pacific coast"

### American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

San Francisco, California, December 2014

Poster: "Numerical Study of Surface Connectivity in the Eastern Mexican Pacific"

### Mexican Physical Society 2011 Annual Meeting

Mérida, México, November 2011

Poster: "Numerical modeling of a ring of ischemic cardiac tissue"

## Publications

O'Brien, T. A., Payne, A. E., Shields, C. A., Rutz, J., Brands, S., Castellano, C., Chen, J., Cleveland, W., DeFlorio, M. J., Goldenson, N., Gorodetskaya, I. V., **Inda-Díaz, H. A.**, Kashinath, K., Kawzenuk, B., Kim, S., Krinitskiy, M., Lora, J. M., McClenny, B., Michaelis, A., ... Zhou, Y. (2020). Detection Uncertainty Matters for Understanding Atmospheric Rivers. Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society, 101(6), E790–E796. <https://doi.org/10.1175/bams-d-19-0348.1>.

O'Brien, T. A., Risser, M. D., Loring, B., Elbashandy, A. A., Krishnan, H., Johnson, J., Patricola, C. M., O'Brien, J. P., Mahesh, A., Arriaga Ramirez, S., Rhoades, A. M., Charn, A., **Inda Díaz, H.A.**, & Collins, W. D. (2020). Detection of atmospheric rivers with inline uncertainty quantification: TECA-BARD v1.0.1. Geoscientific Model Development, 13(12), 6131–6148. <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-13-6131-2020>.

**Inda Díaz, H. A.**, O'Brien, T. A., Zhou, Y., & Collins, W. D. (2021). Constraining and Characterizing the size of Atmospheric Rivers: A perspective independent from the detection algorithm. Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2020jd033746>.

T. A. O'Brien, M. F. Wehner, A. E. Payne, C. A. Shields, J. J. Rutz, L.R. Leung, F. M. Ralph, A. Collow, I. Gorodetskaya, B. Guan, J. M. Lora, E. McClenny, K. M. Nardi, A. M. Ramos, R. Tomé, C. Sarangi, E. J. Shearer, P. A. Ullrich, C. Zarzycki, B. Loring, H. Huang, **H. A. Inda-Díaz**, A. M. Rhoades, Y. Zhou, (2022). Increases in Future AR Count and Size: Overview of the ARTMIP Tier 2 CMIP5/6 Experiment. Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021JD036013>.

**Inda Díaz, H. A.** and O'Brien, T. A. (2023). Relationship between atmospheric rivers and the dry season extreme precipitation in central-western Mexico. ESS Open Archive. (In revision). doi: 10.22541/essoar.167751636.68895308/v1.

**Inda Díaz, H. A.**, O'Brien, T. A., Zhou, Y., & Collins, W. D. (2023). Change in size of atmospheric rivers under future climate scenarios. A perspective independent of the detection algorithm (Submitted to GRL).

## Other interests and formation

### Violin Soloist Basic and Intermediate Level

Tepic, México, 1995-2003

### Part of the Nayarit Chamber Orchestra

Tepic, México, 1998-2003

### Member of the Ensemble of Soloist "Premiera"

Moscow, Russia, 2003-2005

Moscow State Conservatory P. I. Tchaikovsky

### Member of the UNAM Volleyball Varsity Team

Mexico City, Mexico, 2007-2012

Representative team of the National Autonomous University of Mexico

### Member of the board for the MGSA

Davis, California, 2016-2018

Mexican Graduate Students Association, University of California, Davis

## References

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