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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied math, computational math, stochastic processes
Data assimilation, multiscale modelling, adaptive mesh refinement
Climate science, atmospheric science, radiative transfer

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Ph.D., Mathematics, GPA: 4.0

Madison, WI

Expected May 2023

Dissertation Title: Mitigating Model Error via Multi-Model Methods and hp-Adaptivity: Application to Atmospheric Science and Radiative Transfer

Advisor: [Samuel Stechmann](#)

Union College

B.Sc., Mathematics and Physics, GPA: 3.97

Schenectady, NY

June 2018

Dissertation One Title: Elementary Computational Fluid Dynamics Using Finite-Difference Methods

Advisor: [Scott LaBrake](#)

Dissertation Two Title: Introduction to Computational Topology Using Simplicial Persistent Homology

Advisors: [Brenda Johnson](#), [Ellen Gasparovic](#)

CURRENT PROJECTS

Data-driven particle-based model of fog formation

Summer 2022 - Present

Torchinsky, J. L., [Patel, L.](#), [Schmidt, M.](#), and [Zenker, J.](#)

Utilizing [Dedalus](#) to develop a particle-based fog model, leveraging data acquired from fog chamber experiments.

Thermodynamic consistency of dynamics-physics couplings

Summer 2022 - Present

Torchinsky, J. L. and [Taylor, M. A.](#)

Investigating the effects of thermodynamic mis-matching in dynamics-physics couplings in atmosphere models, e.g., using constant-volume thermodynamics in a model with a vertical pressure coordinate.

Adaptive mesh refinement for radiative transfer

Fall 2020 - Present

Torchinsky, J. L., [Stechmann, S.](#), [N.](#), and [Du, S.](#)

Developing an adaptive mesh refinement algorithm for the angular part of the domain for radiative transfer.

Multi-model communication using data assimilation methods

Fall 2019 - Present

Torchinsky, J. L. and [Stechmann, S.](#), [N.](#)

Creating a method to allow models of varying sophistication to exchange information throughout a simulation, based on traditional data assimilation techniques.

PUBLICATIONS AND DELIVERABLES

7. [Multi-model communication using data assimilation methods](#)

Torchinsky, J. L., and Stechmann, S. N. (2022). [Article in preparation.]

6. [Interactive model of ventilation-perfusion for medical student education](#)

Torchinsky, J. L., Baldwin, K., and Green, C. (2022). [Report in preparation.]

5. [A framework for idealized climate simulations with spatiotemporal stochastic clouds and planetary-scale circulations](#)
Huang, T., Stechmann, S. N., and Torchinsky, J. L., Phys. Rev. Fluids, 7 (2022).
4. [Improved vertical remapping accuracy in the NH-HOMME atmosphere dynamical core](#)
Torchinsky, J. L., and Taylor, M. A., CSRI Summer Proceedings 2021, (2021), pp. 352–364.
3. [Parallelizing a serial code: Open-source module, EZ Parallel 1.0, and geophysics examples](#)
Torchinsky, J. L., and Stechmann, S. N., (2020). [Preprint available.]
2. [Elementary computational fluid dynamics using finite-difference methods](#)
Torchinsky, J. L., and LaBrake, S., Union Digital Works Honors Theses, 1581 (2018), pp. 1–27.¹
1. [Introduction to computational topology using simplicial persistent homology](#)
Torchinsky, J. L., Johnson, B., and Gasparovic, E., Union Digital Works Honors Theses, 1660 (2018), pp. 1–129.¹

HONORS AND AWARDS

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| 8. DOE Computational Science Graduate Fellowship
<i>Awarded by the Krell Institute, Ames, IA</i> | Awarded 2019 - 2023 |
| 7. Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
<i>Awarded by the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI</i> | Inducted 2022 |
| 6. NERSC AY 2020 Exploratory Allocation Award
<i>Awarded by the National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center, Berkeley, CA</i> | 2020 |
| 5. George H. Catlin (1867) Prize
<i>Awarded by Union College, Schenectady, NY</i> | 2018 |
| 4. Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society
<i>Awarded by Union College, Schenectady, NY</i> | Inducted 2017 |
| 3. Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society
<i>Awarded by Union College, Schenectady, NY</i> | Inducted 2017 |
| 2. Pi Mu Epsilon Honor Society
<i>Awarded by Union College, Schenectady, NY</i> | Inducted 2017 |
| 1. Sigma Pi Sigma Honor Society
<i>Awarded by Union College, Schenectady, NY</i> | Inducted 2017 |

COMMUNITY AND MENTORING

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| SIAM Career Opportunities Committee Member
<i>Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Philadelphia, PA</i> | Term to Begin Winter 2023 |
| DOE CSGF Fellow and Alumni Social Organizer
<i>DOE Computational Science Graduate Fellowship, Madison, WI</i> | Fall 2020 - Present |
| UW-Madison QGrads Organizer and Representative
<i>University of Wisconsin-Madison Gender and Sexuality Campus Center, Madison, WI</i> | Spring 2020 - Present |
| Graduate Peer Mentor
<i>University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Mathematics, Madison, WI</i> | Fall 2019 - Present |

¹Name legally changed in late 2020 from “Jason Louis Turner” to “Jason Louis Torchinsky”.

Directed Reading Program Mentor <i>University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Mathematics, Madison, WI</i>	Fall 2022
Student Representative <i>Union College Committee on LGBTQ+ Affairs, Schenectady, NY</i>	Spring 2016 - Spring 2018
Chapter President <i>Union College Society of Physics Students, Schenectady, NY</i>	Winter 2015 - Spring 2018
Treasurer and Public Educator <i>Union College - Union Pride, Schenectady, NY</i>	Fall 2014 - Spring 2018
Secretary and Outreach Coordinator <i>Union College - Virtual U, Schenectady, NY</i>	Fall 2014 - Spring 2017

INVITED TALKS

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| 12. Multi-Model Suites and Data Assimilation for Improving Model Dynamics
<i>American Mathematical Society Spring Central Virtual Sectional Meeting, Virtual</i> | Spring 2022 |
| 11. Boundary Treatment for Vertical Remapping in the E3SM
<i>Sandia National Labs Climate Modelling Seminar Series, Albuquerque, NM</i> | Summer 2021 |
| 10. Improved Vertical Remapping Accuracy for the E3SM
<i>CSRI Summer 2021 Poster Blitz, Albuquerque, NM</i> | Summer 2021 |
| 9. Statistical Analysis of Richtmyer-Meshkov Instabilities
<i>Los Alamos 2018 Computational Physics Summer Workshop, Los Alamos, NM</i> | Summer 2018 |
| 8. Introduction to LaTeX: General Use and Resume Writing
<i>Union College Society of Physics Students Workshop Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Winter 2018 |
| 7. Ally Trainer Training: How to Engage the Greater Campus Community
<i>Union College - Union Pride LGBTQIA+ Workshop Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Fall 2017 |
| 6. Introduction to LaTeX: General Use and STEM Writing
<i>Union College Society of Physics Students Workshop Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Fall 2017 |
| 5. Introduction to Mathematica: The Best Classroom Calculator
<i>Union College Society of Physics Students Workshop Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Spring 2017 |
| 4. Ally Training: How to be an Effective Ally to the LGBTQIA+ Community
<i>Union College - Union Pride LGBTQIA+ Workshop Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Spring 2017 |
| 3. Hurricane Links
<i>Hudson River Undergraduate Math Conference 2017, Westfield, MA</i> | Spring 2017 |
| 2. Ally Training: How to be an Effective Ally to the LGBTQIA+ Community
<i>Union College - Union Pride LGBTQIA+ Workshop Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Fall 2016 |
| 1. Ally Training: How to be an Effective Ally to the LGBTQIA+ Community
<i>Union College - Union Pride LGBTQIA+ Workshop Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Winter 2016 |

CONTRIBUTED TALKS

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| 14. Sherlock and Watson in the Case of the Tropical Climate
<i>University of Wisconsin-Madison Math Department Graduate Student Seminar, Madison, WI</i> | Spring 2022 |
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| 13. Improved Vertical Remapping Accuracy for NH-HOMME
<i>University of Wisconsin-Madison SIAM Student Seminar, Madison, WI</i> | Fall 2021 |
| 12. Persistent Homology of BuckyBall® Configurations
<i>Union College 2018 Steinmetz Day, Schenectady, NY</i> | Spring 2018 |
| 11. The Dynamics of Everyday Fluid Flows
<i>Union College 2018 Steinmetz Day, Schenectady, NY</i> | Spring 2018 |
| 10. Integrating Fluid Dynamics into the Undergraduate Curriculum
<i>APS March Meeting 2018, Los Angeles, CA</i> | Spring 2018 |
| 9. Generalizations of Collatz Functions
<i>Union College Math Seminar Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Winter 2018 |
| 8. Generalizations of Collatz Functions to Geometric Algebras
<i>APS New York State Sectional Autumn 2017 Meeting, Schenectady, NY</i> | Fall 2017 |
| 7. Generalizations of Collatz Functions to Geometric Algebras
<i>SACNAS, Salt Lake City, Utah</i> | Fall 2017 |
| 6. Hurricane Links
<i>Union College 2017 Steinmetz Day, Schenectady, NY</i> | Spring 2017 |
| 5. Hurricane Links
<i>Hudson River Undergraduate Math Conference 2017, Westfield, MA</i> | Spring 2017 |
| 4. Development of a Quantum Optical Setup for Single Photon Experiments
<i>APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA</i> | Spring 2017 |
| 3. Phase Transitions of Nano-Confined Alcohols
<i>Union College 2016 Steinmetz Day, Schenectady, NY</i> | Spring 2016 |
| 2. Phase Transitions of Nano-Confined Alcohols
<i>APS March Meeting 2016, Baltimore, MD</i> | Spring 2016 |
| 1. Melting Behavior of Nano-Confined Alcohols
<i>Union College 2015 Summer Research Seminar Series, Schenectady, NY</i> | Summer 2015 |

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Fortran, Python, C++, Matlab, and Wolfram Mathematica.

Libraries: MPI, FFTW3, netCDF, LAPACK, and CUDE