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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2014 **Ph.D., Astrophysical Sciences, Program in Plasma Physics**, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ.
Advisor: John Krommes
- 2008 **B.S. - Engineering Physics**, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.
Graduated *summa cum laude*

Positions

- 2018 – present **Research Scientist**, *Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*.
- 2016 – 2018 **Postdoctoral Research Scientist**, *Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*.
- 2011 **Summer Research Fellow**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*, Mentor: Peter Catto.
- 2007 **SULI Undergraduate Summer Research Intern**, *Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory*, Mentor: Cynthia Phillips.
- 2005 – 2007 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, *Cornell University*, Advisor: George Malliaras.
- 2006 **SURF Undergraduate Summer Research Intern**, *LIGO Hanford Observatory*, Mentor: Rick Savage.

Honors and Awards

- 2018 LLNL Postdoc Research Slam, First-place winner
- 2013 Best Student Poster Award (Sherwood Fusion Theory Conference)
- 2010 U.S. Department of Energy Fusion Energy Sciences Graduate Fellowship
- 2009 Thomas H. Stix Plasma Physics Prize (Princeton University)
- 2008 Carl Oberman Fellowship (Princeton University)
- 2008 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship

Proposals

- 2018 **BaPSF User Facility**, *Detection of Topological Plasma Waves in LAPD*.
PI on submitted proposal for experimental runtime at DOE/NSF User Facility; experiments planned for early 2020.
- 2018 **LLNL LDRD**, *Topological Waves in Plasmas*.
PI on submitted Labwide LDRD. Advanced to shortlist.
- 2017 – 2022 **US DOE SciDAC Award**, *Partnership for Multiscale Gyrokinetic (MGK) Turbulence*.
Co-PI for LLNL on multi-institutional award totaling ~\$900,000 per year for five years

- 2017 – 2018 **LLNL Computing Grand Challenge**, *Towards Transport-Timescale, First-Principles Simulations of Tokamak Fusion Reactors*.
PI on winning proposal for millions of CPU-hours

Teaching

- 2010 – 2013 **Assistant Instructor for AST 554: Irreversible Processes in Plasmas**, *Princeton University*.
Graded and provided feedback on biweekly problem sets
- 2009 **Physics Review Session Leader**, *Princeton University*.
Held review sessions for first year graduate students in plasma physics preparing for the Princeton University Physics Preliminary Exam
- 2007 – 2008 **Academic Excellence Workshop Lead Facilitator**, *Cornell University*.
Helped create biweekly training sessions for Academic Excellence Workshop facilitators. Played a major role in the interviewing and hiring process for new facilitators. Observed and provided feedback for facilitators.
- 2005 – 2008 **Academic Excellence Workshop Facilitator**, *Cornell University*.
Held weekly, supplementary, cooperative-learning math workshops for engineering underclassmen. Designed problem sets.
- 2007 **Course Assistant for Math 191**, *Cornell University*.
Facilitated cooperative-learning recitation sections for introductory engineering math

Mentorship

- 2019 **SULI Mentor**, *LLNL*.
Mentored Jack Paulson, rising junior at California State Sacramento, through DOE's SULI summer internship program.

Service

Journal Referee.

Served as referee for journals including Physical Review Letters, Physical Review E, Plasma Physics and Controlled Fusion, Physics of Plasmas, Journal of Plasma Physics, Nuclear Fusion, Proceedings of the Royal Society A, Computer Physics Communications

DOE Reviewer.

Served as reviewer for DOE proposals

LLNL Service.

- Served on Physical & Life Sciences Award Committee
- Judge for summer student poster symposium

- 2019 – 2020 **APS DPP 2020 Program Committee**.
- 2017 – 2019 **Organizer for Early Career Fusion Scientists**.
One of the main organizers for the Early Career Fusion Scientists, which initiated discussions and polling among early career scientists, leading to submission of a whitepaper to the NAS Burning Plasma Research panel
- 2011 – 2014 **Plasma Physics Department, Graduate Student Committee Chair**, *Princeton University*.

Diversity, Inclusion, and Outreach

- 2016 – 2018 **Girls Who Code**, *Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*.
Volunteered to host programming clubs for girls in local middle schools and high schools
- 2013 – 2014 **Prison Teaching Initiative**, *New Jersey*.
Volunteered to teach math to inmates in New Jersey state prisons
- 2014 **Scientific Advisory Board, Girl Scout STEM Fair**, *Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory*.
Organized a College STEM discussion panel consisting of women in STEM, including undergraduate and graduate students, faculty and admissions officers, and women from the private sector. Set up a College Fair where girls could talk to representatives from local colleges.
- 2013, 2014 **Fusion Day**, *Washington, D.C.*.
Advocated for fusion energy on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.
- 2009 – 2014 **Science Bowl**, *Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory*.
Vetted questions for and help run a middle school and high school science quizbowl competition
- Jan 2014 **Princeton University Wintersession Lecture**.
Gave a Princeton University Wintersession lecture *Personal Investing for Beginners* attended by over 200 people.

Professional Societies

- American Physical Society, Member
- American Geophysical Union, Member

Publications

Journal Articles

- 1 **J. B. Parker**, J. B. Marston, S. M. Tobias, and Z. Zhu, *Topological gaseous plasmon polariton in realistic plasma*, Submitted to *Phys. Rev. Lett.* (2019). arXiv:1911.01069 [physics.plasm-ph]
- 2 **J. B. Parker**, J. W. Burby, J. B. Marston, and S. M. Tobias, *Nontrivial topology of the Alfvén Continuum and Topological Character of Reversed-Shear Alfvén Eigenmodes*, Submitted to *Phys. Rev. Lett.* (2019). arXiv:1909.07910 [physics.plasm-ph]
- 3 **J. B. Parker** and N. C. Constantinou, *Magnetic eddy viscosity of mean shear flows in two-dimensional magnetohydrodynamics*, *Phys. Rev. Fluids*, 4, 083701 (2019).
- 4 N. C. Constantinou and **J. B. Parker**, *Magnetic suppression of zonal flows on a beta plane*, *The Astrophysical Journal*, 836:46 (2018).
- 5 **J. B. Parker**, L. L. LoDestro, and A. Campos, *Investigation of a Multiple-Timescale Turbulence-Transport Coupling Method in the Presence of Random Fluctuations*, *plasma* 1, 12 (2018).
- 6 **J. B. Parker**, L. L. LoDestro, D. Told, G. Merlo, L. F. Ricketson, A. Campos, F. Jenko, and J. A. F. Hittinger, *Bringing global gyrokinetic turbulence simulations to the transport timescale using a multiscale approach*, *Nucl. Fusion* 58, 054004 (2018).
- 7 **J. B. Parker**, *Numerical simulation of the geometrical-optics reduction of CE2 and comparisons to quasilinear dynamics*, *Phys. Plasmas* 25, 055708 (2018).
- 8 D. E. Ruiz, **J. B. Parker**, E. L. Shi, and I. Y. Dodin, *Zonal-flow dynamics from a phase-space perspective*, *Phys. Plasmas* 23, 122304 (2016).

- 9 **J. B. Parker**, *Dynamics of zonal flows: failure of wave-kinetic theory, and new geometrical optics approximations*, J. Plasma. Phys. (2016), 82, 595820602.
- 10 **J. B. Parker** and J. A. Krommes, *Generation of zonal flows through symmetry breaking of statistical homogeneity*, New J. Phys. 16 (2014) 035006.
- 11 **J. B. Parker** and J. A. Krommes, *Zonal flow as pattern formation*, Phys. Plasmas, 20, 100703 (2013).
- 12 I. R. Goumiri, C. W. Rowley, Z. Ma, D. A. Gates, J. A. Krommes, and **J. B. Parker**, *Reduced-order model based feedback control of the modified Hasegawa-Wakatani model*, Phys. Plasmas, 20, 042501 (2013).
- 13 P. J. Catto, F. I. Parra, G. Kagan, **J. B. Parker**, I. Pusztai, and M. Landreman, *Kinetic effects on a tokamak pedestal ion flow, ion heat transport and bootstrap current*, Plasma Phys. Control. Fusion, 55, 045009 (2013).
- 14 **J. B. Parker** and P. J. Catto, *Variational calculation of neoclassical ion heat flux and poloidal flow in the banana regime for axisymmetric magnetic geometry*, Plasma Phys. Control. Fusion, 54, 085011 (2012).
- 15 **J. B. Parker**, Y. Raitses, and N. J. Fisch, *Transition in electron transport in a cylindrical Hall thruster*, Appl. Phys. Lett., 97, 091501 (2010).
- 16 J. Hosea, R. E. Bell, B. P. LeBlanc, C. K. Phillips, G. Taylor, E. Valeo, J. R. Wilson, E. F. Jaeger, P. M. Ryan, J. Wilgen, H. Yuh, F. Levinton, S. Sabbagh, K. Tritz, **J. B. Parker**, P. T. Bonoli, and R. Harvey, *High harmonic fast wave heating efficiency enhancement and current drive at longer wavelength on the National Spherical Torus Experiment*, Phys. Plasmas, 15, 056104 (2008).
- 17 E. Zysman-Colman, J. D. Slinker, **J. B. Parker**, G. G. Malliaras, and S. Bernhard, *Improved Turn-On Times of Light-Emitting Electrochemical Cells*, Chem. Mater., 20, 388 (2008).
- 18 J. D. Slinker, J. Rivnay, J. S. Moskowitz, **J. B. Parker**, S. Bernhard, H. D. Abruña, and G. G. Malliaras, *Electroluminescent devices from ionic transition metal complexes*, J. Mater. Chem., 20, 2976 (2007).

Other Publications

- 19 **J. B. Parker** and J. A. Krommes, *Zonal Flow as Pattern Formation*, in *Zonal Jets: Phenomenology, Genesis, and Physics*, edited by B. Galperin and P. Read, Cambridge University Press (2019).
- 20 J. A. Krommes and **J. B. Parker**, *Statistical Closures and Zonal Flows*, in *Zonal Jets: Phenomenology, Genesis, and Physics*, edited by B. Galperin and P. Read, Cambridge University Press (2019).
- 21 **J. B. Parker**, *Zonal Flows and Turbulence in Fluids and Plasmas*, Ph.D. Dissertation, Princeton University (2014).

Invited Talks and Seminars

The plasma physics of fusion reactors, Physics Colloquium, Brown University Department of Physics, Providence, RI, Mar 30, 2020.

Magnetic eddy viscosity of mean shear flows in MHD, Plasma Physics Seminar, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico, Aug 22, 2019.

Multiple-timescale global gyrokinetic turbulence and transport simulations for tokamaks, 11th Plasma Kinetics Working Meeting, Wolfgang Pauli Institute, Vienna, Austria, Aug 1, 2018.

Zonal Flows: A Quasilinear Foothold to Gaining Insight, SIAM Conference on Nonlinear Waves and Coherent Structures, Orange County, CA, June 13, 2018.

Zonal Flows: A Quasilinear Foothold to Gaining Insight, Scripps Institute of Oceanography, UCSD, San Diego, CA, Jan 12, 2018.

Rethinking wave-kinetic theory applied to zonal flows, APS-DPP meeting, Milwaukee, WI, Oct 23, 2017.

Bringing global gyrokinetic turbulence simulations to the transport timescale using a multi-scale approach, Multiscale Methods in Plasma Physics, CU Boulder, Aug 22, 2017.

Study of zonal flow through statistical dynamics, Berkeley Fluids Seminar, UC Berkeley, Oct 19, 2016.

Self-consistent modeling of multiscale turbulence and transport, Turbulence and Waves in Flows Dominated by Rotation, NCAR, Boulder, CO, Aug 16, 2016.

Zonal Flows and Turbulence in Fluids and Plasmas, Plasma Science and Fusion Center, MIT, June 17, 2014.

Zonal flow as pattern formation, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, NYU, Apr 23, 2013.

A hybrid statistics/amplitude approach to the theory of turbulent states of drift waves and zonal flows, Gyrokinetic Theory Working Group Meeting, Madrid, Spain, June 25, 2012.