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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO defended March 2019
Advisor: Elizabeth A. Barnes
M.S., Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO defended October 2015
Advisor: Elizabeth A. Barnes
B.Sc., Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Inst. of Technology, Cambridge, MA June 2012

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Washington, Seattle, WA June 2019 - Present

- Performed extensive numerical and statistical analysis of large geospatial data sets, including output from weather forecasting models and satellite observations, with a focus on predictability and extreme events
- Developed open-source Python code to be shared with the scientific community
- Attended scientific workshops, conferences, and hackathons to share scientific results and learn new analysis techniques

Graduate Research Assistant, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO June 2013 - May 2019

- Performed extensive numerical and statistical analysis of large geospatial datasets such as reanalysis and climate model output, and led 3 peer-reviewed publications with a large statistical and data analysis component
- Collaborated extensively with computer science researchers, including collaboratively-written publications applying causal discovery methods to climate science; a spotlight presentation at a climate informatics workshop, and publicly shared code
- Ran numerical experiments in simplified atmospheric models and received basic training on running fully-coupled climate models

SKILLS AND TRAINING

Programming: Python (including Scipy, xarray, Pandas, scikit-learn, statsmodels, and Jupyter), MATLAB; familiarity with Fortran and NCAR Command Language

Data Analysis: Very experienced with large geospatial datasets, including fully coupled climate models, weather forecasting models, reanalysis products, and satellite observations; experienced with statistical modeling and data science analyses in atmospheric science, including Bayesian causal inference.

Atmospheric and climate models: Extensive experience running simplified atmospheric models and some experience running the Community Earth System Model (CESM).

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

IN PREPARATION

McGraw, M.C., E. Blanchard-Wrigglesworth, R.P. Clancy, and C.M. Bitz: *Predictability of extreme sea ice loss events in S2S Forecast Models*, in preparation for submission in January 2021.

PUBLISHED (8 total)

McGraw, M.C. and E.A. Barnes (2020): New Insights on Subseasonal Arctic-Midlatitude Causal Connections from a Regularized Regression Model. *Journal of Climate*, doi:10.1175/JCLI-D-19-0142.1.

Samarasinghe, S., **M.C. McGraw**, E.A. Barnes, and I. Ebert-Uphoff (2019): A study of links between the Arctic and the midlatitude jet-streams using Granger and Pearl causality. *Environmetrics*, doi:10.1002/env.2540.

McGraw, M.C., and E.A. Barnes (2018): Memory matters: A case for Granger causality in climate variability studies. *J. Climate*, **31**, doi:10.1175/JCLI-D-17-0334.1.

McGraw, M.C., and E.A. Barnes (2016): Seasonal sensitivity of the eddy-driven jet to tropospheric heating in an idealized AGCM. *J. Climate*, **29**, doi:10.1175/JCLI-D-15-0723.1.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS (5 OF 14)

McGraw, M.C., E Blanchard-Wrigglesworth, RP Clancy, CM Bitz: Extreme Sea Ice Loss on Subseasonal Timescales in S2S Forecast Models. Poster presentation: American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting, 12/2020 (remote).

McGraw, M.C., and E.A. Barnes: Using Causal Discovery to Explore Arctic-Midlatitude Dynamics. Oral presentation: American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (12/2018); NCAR Climate Variability and Change weekly seminar, Boulder, CO (11/2018); Atmospheric Dynamics seminar, University of Washington, Seattle, WA (11/2019).

Samarasinghe, S., **M. C. McGraw**, E. A. Barnes, and I. Ebert-Uphoff: A Study of Causal Links Between the Arctic and the Midlatitude Jet-Streams. **Spotlight presentation (with Savini Samarasinghe):** 7th International Workshop on Climate Informatics, Boulder, CO. 09/2017.

McGraw, M. C., and E. A. Barnes: Comparing the Forced Response to Volcanic Eruptions Against Internal Variability in Climate Models. Oral presentation: SPARC DynVAR Workshop, Helsinki, Finland (06/2016); NCAR Climate Variability and Change Working Group Meeting, Boulder, CO (02/2016).

McGraw, M. C., and E. A. Barnes: Seasonal sensitivity of the eddy-driven jet to tropospheric heating in an idealized AGCM. Poster: SPARC Storm Tracks Workshop, Grindelwald, Switzerland. 08/2015.

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Graduate Teaching Assistant for two graduate-level classes involving helping students complete theoretical and numerical analysis of weather and climate problems, and developing independent projects
Mentor in summer 2014 to an undergraduate who is currently pursuing her Ph.D. at U. Wisconsin

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND OUTREACH

Member, American Geophysical Union (2014-present), American Meteorological Society (2014-present), Graduate Women in Science (2015-2019)

Reviewer for *Journal of Climate*, *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*, *Geophysical Research Letters*, *Nature Climate Change*, *Earth System Dynamics*, *Weather and Climate Dynamics*

Member, U. Washington Atmospheric Sciences Diversity and Inclusion working group; U. Washington Atmospheric Sciences Colloquium Committee (postdoc representative)