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RESEARCH INTERESTS Physics of climate, especially regarding the long term evolution of the climates of solar system and extrasolar planets. Water vapor and global change. Baroclinic instability. Hamiltonian chaos and fluid mixing.

EDUCATION ◇ **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MA
Ph.D. March, 1980 (Dept. of Aeronautics and Astronautics)
◇ **University of Cambridge** Cambridge, England
Knox Fellow, 1976-1977 (Dept. of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics)
◇ **Harvard College**, Cambridge, MA
A.B. Magna cum Laude in Physics June, 1975

POSITIONS AND FELLOWSHIPS ◇ **Louis Block Professor** University of Chicago, 2005-present
◇ **Professor in Geophysical Sciences** University of Chicago, 1989-present
◇ **Directeur de Recherche** Ecole Polytechnique, France (2003-2004, visiting position)
◇ **John Simon Guggenheim Fellow** Laboratoire de Meteorologie Dynamique, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris. 1996/1997 (sabbatical visit)
◇ **Professor of Geology and Geophysics** Princeton University 1988-1989
◇ **Guest Investigator** Stockholms Universitet, Meteorologiska Institutionen 1987/1988 (sabbatical visit)
◇ **Research Scientist** Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory/NOAA. 1982-1988.
Concurrent appointments at Princeton University: Visiting Lecturer with Rank of Associate Professor (Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences Program), Affiliated Faculty Member, Applied & Computational Mathematics Program.
◇ **Assistant Professor of Meteorology** Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1980-1982

AWARDS ◇ **John Simon Guggenheim Fellow**
◇ **Fellow, American Geophysical Union**
◇ **Chevalier de l'Ordre des Palmes Academiques**
◇ **King Karl XVI Gustaf Royal Professorship, Stockholm 2014-2015**

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES ◇ Editorial board, *Annual Reviews of Earth and Planetary Science*.
◇ Co-organizer *Exoclimes 2012*, Aspen, CO and *Exoclimes 2014*, Davos
◇ Co-author National Research Council Report on Geoengineering (in progress)
◇ Co-author National Research Council Report on Climate Stabilization Targets

- ◇ Member, National Research Council Board on Atmospheric Science and Climate
- ◇ Member, City of Chicago Mayor's Task Force on Climate Change.
- ◇ Co-organizer, 2008 Kavli Institute of Theoretical Physics Program on Physics of Climate.
- ◇ Lead Author, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Third Assessment Report (1997-2001)
- ◇ Member, National Research Council Panel on Abrupt Climate Change and its Societal Impacts (2000-2001).
- ◇ Editor, Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences (1988-1991)
- ◇ **B. Reinhold** (PhD, MIT 1981) Dynamics of Weather Regimes: Quasi-Stationary Waves & Blocking
- ◇ **D. Dritschel** (PhD, Princeton 1984) The Stability of Certain two dimensional and three dimensional Vortical Motions
- ◇ **J. Bacmeister** (Princeton GFD program, PhD 1987) Nonlinearity in Transient two dimensional flow over topography.
- ◇ **B. Carissimo** (Princeton GFD program, PhD Aug. 1987) Observation and modelling of drag during transient airflow over mountains
- ◇ **F. Parham** (Princeton Appl. Math. PhD. June 1988) Rossby wave critical levels in a baroclinic atmosphere.
- ◇ **S. Lin** (Princeton GFD program, PhD. July 1988) The instability mechanism of synoptic scale eddies
- ◇ **K. Lamb** (Princeton Appl. Math, PhD. July 1988) Nonlinear gravity wave critical levels
- ◇ **M. Dahleh** (Princeton Appl. Math 1989) Subject: Discrete vortex methods on the beta plane
- ◇ **J. Anderson** (Princeton GFD program 1989, jointly advised with Isaac Held) Subject: Numerical methods for large non Hermitian eigenvalue problems
- ◇ **Kyle Swanson** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences, Ph.D 1995) Subject: Storm tracks and low frequency variability
- ◇ **Stefanella Boatto** (U. of C. Physics, Ph.D 1995) Subject: Chaotic mixing by aperiodic flows.
- ◇ **Yongyun Hu** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD 2001) Subject: Atmospheric stirring and mixing.
- ◇ **Hui Zhang** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD 2002) Tropical upper tropospheric water vapor distribution.
- ◇ **Jai Sukhatme** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD 2003) Subject: Multifractal and stochastic models in geophysics
- ◇ **Jude Sabado** (U.of C.Geophysical Sciences PhD 2006) Subject: Baroclinic instability on Early Mars
- ◇ **Jonathan Mitchell** (U. of C. Astrophysics PhD 2007) Subject: Climate Dynamics of Titan
- ◇ **Ian N. Williams** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD 2011) Subject: Tropical convection and Climate Sensitivity
- ◇ **Dawei Li** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD, in progress) Subject: Sea glaciers and neoproterozoic climate
- ◇ **Feng Ding** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD, in progress) Subject: GCM modeling of exoplanet climates

- ◇ **Andrew Malone** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD, in progress) Subject: Mountain glaciers as climate proxies
- ◇ **Jonah Bloch-Johnson** (U. of C. Geophysical Sciences PhD, in progress) Subject: Bifurcations and climate sensitivity

RECENT
POSTDOCS

- ◇ **Huijun Yang**
- ◇ **Keith Ngan**
- ◇ **Chris Poulsen**
- ◇ **Gilles DeLaygue**
- ◇ **Jason Goodman**
- ◇ **Rodrigo Caballero**
- ◇ **Johnny Lin**
- ◇ **Christian Dieterich**
- ◇ **Yannick Donnadieu**
- ◇ **Helene Brogniez**
- ◇ **Dargan Frierson**
- ◇ **David McInerney**
- ◇ **Dorian Abbot**
- ◇ **Jung-Eun Lee**
- ◇ **Robin Wordsworth**

SELECTED
INVITED
LECTURES

- ◇ Distinguished Planetary Science Lecturer, Bern University (2014)
- ◇ Tyndall Lecture, American Geophysical Fall Meeting (2012)
- ◇ Distinguished Atmospheric Science Lecturer, Beijing University (2012)
- ◇ Invited lecturer, Swedish Royal Academy Bolin Symposium (2012)
- ◇ University Lecturer, Cornell University (2012)
- ◇ Niels Bohr Lecture, Copenhagen University (2011)
- ◇ Fairchild Lecture, University of Rochester (2010)
- ◇ Noble Lecturer, University of Toronto (Toronto, 2010)
- ◇ Invited lecturer, Vatican study group on astrobiology (Rome, 2009)
- ◇ Halley Lecture (Oxford University, 2009)
- ◇ Kibbe lecture (Bowdoin College, 2008)
- ◇ Berkeley Distinguished Atmospheric Science Lecture (Berkeley, 2008)
- ◇ Aggasiz Lectures (Harvard, 2008)
- ◇ Thompson Lectures (National Center for Atmospheric Research, 2008)
- ◇ "Low Order Models" Invited lecture at The Lorenz Symposium (MIT, Dec. 1987)

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- Solomon S, Pierrehumbert RT, Matthews D Daniel JS and Friedlingstein P 2012: Atmospheric composition, irreversible climate change, and mitigation policy. in *Climate Science for Serving Society: Research, Modelling and Prediction Priorities*, Hurrell, J. and Asrar, G., eds., Springer.
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