

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Education

- Ph.D., Physics, University of Maryland, College Park, August 2004  
Thesis: *Two-Dimensional Turbulence with Drag*  
Advisor: Prof. Edward Ott
- M.Phil., Physics, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, July 1996  
Thesis: *Fluctuation Statistics of Scalar Advected by Different Prescribed Velocity Fields*  
Advisor: Prof. Emily S.C. Ching
- B.Eng. (Hon.), Electronic Engineering, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, July 1994  
Thesis: *Fluorination of  $YBa_2Cu_3O_{7-\delta}$* .  
Advisor: Prof. S.P. Wong

### Employment

- Associated Research Fellow, February 2015 — present  
Department of Mathematics, University of Exeter
- Research Assistant, September 2013 — January 2015  
School of Mathematics, University of Edinburgh
- Research Fellow, September 2011 — August 2013  
School of Mathematics and Statistics, University of St Andrews
- Research Associate, August 2010 — August 2011  
Department of Physics, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Postdoctoral Fellow, September 2006 — June 2010  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego
- Postdoctoral Fellow, January 2005 — August 2006  
Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New York University
- Research Associate, September 2004 — December 2004  
Institute for Research in Electronics and Applied Physics, University of Maryland, College Park
- Full-Time Research Assistant, September 1996 — July 1998  
Department of Electronic and Information Engineering, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

### Other Experience and Training

- The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers *Structured Training Under Supervision* (a requirement for the IEE Chartered Engineer Qualification): a two-month training course on practical techniques in electrical and mechanical engineering. (Summer 1991)

## Grants and Awards

- *Particle diffusion and dispersion in magnetohydrodynamic turbulence* (2016)  
High performance computing resources awarded by the PRACE Distributed European Computing Initiative (DECI), 13,500,000 core-hours
- *Rainfall variability in a changing climate: stochastic versus deterministic dynamics* (2015)  
Principal Investigator of the Feasibility Grant awarded by the EPSRC Network: Research on Changes of Variability and Environmental Risk, £15,609 (co-investigators: Geoffery Vallis and Jacques Vanneste)
- *Intermittency and multifractality in two-dimensional turbulence with drag* (2004)  
Best Poster Award, 1st Place, International Conference on Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics: Dynamics Days, Chapel Hill NC, USA

## Outreach Activities

- Maryland Day – annual open day of the University of Maryland (2003)
- Volunteer at the University of Maryland Observatory: biweekly Open House (2002-2004), New Telescope Owners Nights (2003), Mars Opposition (2003), Venus Transit (2004)
- Dundee Science Festival – Family Fun Days (2011)
- Fife Science Festival – Science Discovery Day (2012)
- Lecturing at the Exeter Maths School Year 10 Summer Mathematics Residential (2015)

## Professional Services

- Reviewer for Hong Kong Research Grants Council, Journal of Fluid Mechanics, Physics of Fluids, Journal of Geophysical & Astrophysical Fluid Dynamics, Physical Review Letters, Physical Review E and IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering

## Publications

1. Passive scalar conditional statistics in a model of random advection  
Emily S.C. Ching and Y.K. Tsang, *Phys. Fluids* **9**, 1353 (1997)
2. Intermittency of a passive scalar advected by a quasifrozen velocity field  
Emily S.C. Ching, C.S. Pang, Y.K. Tsang and X.H. Wang, *Phys. Fluids* **11**, 2263 (1999)
3. Nondestructive determination of the longitudinal chromatic dispersion distribution along an optical fiber  
P.K.A. Wai, F. Moldoveanu, H.H. Chen and Y.K. Tsang, *Microw. Opt. Technol. Lett.* **30** (5), 312 (2001)
4. Exponential decay of chaotically advected passive scalars in the zero diffusivity limit  
Yue-Kin Tsang, Thomas M. Antonsen, Jr., Edward Ott, *Phys. Rev. E* **71**, 066301 (2005)
5. Intermittency in two-dimensional turbulence with drag  
Yue-Kin Tsang, Edward Ott, Thomas M. Antonsen, Jr., Parvez N. Guzdar, *Phys. Rev. E* **71**, 066313 (2005)
6. Bounding biomass in the Fisher equation  
Daniel Birch, Yue-Kin Tsang and William R. Young, *Phys. Rev. E* **75**, 066304 (2007)  
(Also selected to appear in *Virtual Journal of Biological Physics Research* **13**, June 15, 2007, Issue 12)
7. Multifractality and scale invariance in human heartbeat dynamics  
Emily S.C. Ching and Yue-Kin Tsang, *Phys. Rev. E* **76**, 041910 (2007)  
(Also selected to appear in *Virtual Journal of Biological Physics Research* **13**, November 1, 2007, Issue 14)
8. Near-inertial parametric subharmonic instability  
William R. Young, Yue-Kin Tsang and Neil J. Balmforth, *J. Fluid Mech.* **607**, 25 (2008)
9. Energy-entropy stability of  $\beta$ -plane Kolmogorov flow with drag  
Yue-Kin Tsang and William R. Young, *Phys. Fluids* **20**, 084102 (2008)

10. Forced-dissipative two-dimensional turbulence: a scaling regime controlled by drag  
Yue-Kin Tsang and William R. Young, *Phys. Rev. E* **79**, 045308(R) (2009)
11. Predicting the evolution of fast chemical reactions in chaotic flows  
Yue-Kin Tsang, *Phys. Rev. E* **80**, 026305 (2009)
12. Non-universal velocity probability densities in forced two-dimensional turbulence: the effect of large-scale dissipation  
Yue-Kin Tsang, *Phys. Fluids* **22**, 115102 (2010)
13. Scaling behavior in turbulent Rayleigh-Bénard convection revealed by conditional structure functions  
Emily S. C. Ching, Yue-Kin Tsang, T. N. Fok, Xiaozhou He and Penger Tong, *Phys. Rev. E* **87**, 013005 (2013)
14. Ellipsoidal vortices in rotating stratified flows: beyond the quasi-geostrophic approximation  
Yue-Kin Tsang and David G. Dritschel, *J. Fluid Mech.* **762**, 196 (2015)
15. The effect of coherent stirring on the advection–condensation of water vapour  
Yue-Kin Tsang and Jacques Vanneste, *Proc. R. Soc. A* **473**, 20170196 (2017)
16. Parametrization of stochastic effects in coarse-grained advection–condensation models  
Yue-Kin Tsang and Geoffrey Vallis, *J. Atmos. Sci.*, submitted (2017)
17. Extended energy–enstrophy stability and anti-turbulence in two-dimensional hydrodynamics  
Yue-Kin Tsang, in preparation (2017)
18. Multifractal measures of chaotically mixed passive scalars  
Amir Ali Ahmadi, Yue-Kin Tsang, Edward Ott and Thomas M. Antonsen, Jr., in preparation (2017)
19. Particle diffusion in field-guided magnetohydrodynamic turbulence  
Yue-Kin Tsang and Joanne Mason, in preparation (2017)

## Conference Presentations

1. Novel Chromatic Dispersion Determination Along an Optical Fiber  
*The Pacific Rim Conference on Laser and Electro-Optics*, Chiba, Japan, 1997
2. Two-Dimensional Turbulence with Drag: Wavenumber Energy Spectrum and Intermittency  
*International Conference on Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics: Dynamics Days*, Baltimore MD, USA, 2002
3. Intermittency and Multifractality in Two-Dimensional Turbulence with Drag  
*International Conference on Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics: Dynamics Days*, Chapel Hill NC, USA, 2004
4. Effective Diffusivities in a Two-layer, Isopycnal, Wind-driven Basin Model  
*MIT Meeting on Eddies and Ocean Circulation*, Cambridge MA, USA, 2005
5. Planktonic Population in a Spatially Variable Environment  
*International Conference on Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics: Dynamics Days*, Bethesda MD, USA, 2006
6. Fractal Patterns in Chaotic Fluid Mixing  
*International Conference on Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics: Dynamics Days*, Bethesda MD, USA, 2006
7. A Test of Local Effective Diffusivity Parameterization in a Two-Layer, Wind-Driven Isopycnal Primitive Equation Model  
*American Geophysical Union Ocean Sciences Meeting*, Honolulu HI, USA, 2006
8. Exponential Decay of Chaotically Advected Passive Scalars in the Zero Diffusivity Limit  
*6th Understanding Complex Systems Symposium*, Urbana-Champaign IL, USA, 2006
9. Multifractality in Detrended Human Heart Beat Increment  
*International Conference on Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics: Dynamics Days*, Boston MA, USA, 2007
10. Enstrophy-constrained Stability Analysis of  $\beta$ -plane Kolmogorov Flow with Drag  
*American Physical Society March Meeting*, New Orleans LA, USA, 2008

11. Energy-Enstrophy Stability of  $\beta$ -plane Kolmogorov Flow with Drag  
*Workshop on Nonlinear Processes in Oceanic and Atmospheric Flows*, Castro-Urdiales, Cantabria, Spain, 2008
12. Energy Injection into Two-dimensional Turbulence: a Scaling Regime Controlled by Drag  
*American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics 61st Annual Meeting*, San Antonio TX, USA, 2008
13. What Determines the Progress of Fast Chemical Reactions in Chaotic Flows?  
*International Conference on Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics: Dynamics Days*, San Diego CA, USA, 2009
14. Scaling of Energy Injection Rate in Two-dimensional Turbulence with Drag  
*Gordon Research Conference on Nonlinear Science*, South Hadley MA, USA 2009
15. Fast Chemical Reactions in Chaotic Flows: Predicting the Product Growth Rate  
*American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics 62nd Annual Meeting*, Minneapolis MN, USA, 2009
16. Fast Chemical Reactions in Chaotic Flows: Reaction Rate and Mixdown Time  
*IMA Annual Program Year Workshop: Transport and Mixing in Complex and Turbulent Flows*, Minneapolis MN, USA, 2010
17. Revealing Small-scale Structures in Turbulent Rayleigh-Bénard Convection  
*The 25th Scottish Fluid Mechanics Meeting*, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, 2012
18. Ellipsoidal Vortices in Non-hydrostatic Rotating Stratified Flows: Can They Survive?  
*IUGG Conference on Mathematical Geophysics*, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, 2012
19. Ellipsoidal Vortices Beyond the Quasi-geostrophic Approximation  
*American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics 65th Annual Meeting*, San Diego CA, USA, 2012
20. Ageostrophic Effects on the Evolution of Ellipsoidal Vortices  
*IUTAM Symposium on Vortex Dynamics: Formation, Structure and Function*, Fukuoka, Japan, 2013
21. Improving Global Stability Analysis of Kolmogorov Flows Using Enstrophy  
*British Applied Mathematics Colloquium*, Leeds, England, UK, 2013
22. An Energy–enstrophy Method for Global Stability in Two-dimensional Hydrodynamics  
*Turbulent Mixing and Beyond Workshop*, ICTP, Trieste, Italy, 2014
23. Atmospheric Moisture Transport: Stochastic Dynamics of the Advection-condensation Equation  
*SIAM Conference on Nonlinear Waves and Coherent Structures*, Cambridge, England, UK, 2014
24. Impact of Changes in the Hadley Circulation on Regional Rainfall  
*Maths Foresees Workshop*, Leeds, England, UK, 2015
25. Particle Diffusion in Magnetohydrodynamic Turbulence  
*UKMHD Meeting*, Newcastle, England, UK, 2015
26. Particle Diffusion in Magnetohydrodynamic Turbulence: Effects of a Guiding Magnetic Field  
*XXXV Dynamics Days Europe*, Exeter, England, UK, 2015
27. Particle Diffusion in Strong Field-guided Magnetohydrodynamic Turbulence  
*American Physical Society Division of Plasma Physics 57th Annual Meeting*, Savannah GA, USA, 2015
28. Advection–Condensation of Water Vapor with Coherent Stirring: a Stochastic Approach  
*American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics 68th Annual Meeting*, Boston MA, USA, 2015
29. Stochastic Modelling and Parametrization of Atmospheric Moisture Transport  
*Mathematics of Dispersion in the Environment*, Birmingham, England, UK, 2016
30. Effects of a Guided-field on Particle Diffusion in Magnetohydrodynamic Turbulence  
*UKMHD Meeting*, Glasgow, Scotland, UK, 2016
31. Parametrization of Stochastic Effects in an Advection–condensation Model  
*The 4th Annual CliMathNet Conference*, Exeter, England, UK, 2016

32. Effects of a Guided-field on Particle Diffusion in Magnetohydrodynamic Turbulence  
*17th MHD Days*, Göttingen, Germany, 2016
33. The Quest for Water Vapour Parametrization in Weather and Climate Models  
*BRIM Workshop: The Influence of Weather and Climate Variability on Water Resources Management*, Exeter, England, UK, 2017
34. Probabilistic Parametrization of Condensation in Coarse-grained Moisture Transport Models  
*British Applied Mathematics Colloquium*, Surrey, England, UK, 2017

## Teaching Experience

- The Chinese University of Hong Kong
  1. Physics in Meteorology, Spring 2011  
*lecturing and developing a new set of lecture notes (available online) for the one-semester course*
- University of California, San Diego (*giving mini-lectures in discussion/tutorial classes*)
  1. Introduction to Applied Mathematics II, Winter 2008
  2. Introduction to Applied Mathematics II, Winter 2007
- New York University
  1. Geophysical Turbulence, Fall 2005  
*delivering guest lectures on multiple-scale analysis, homogenization theory and eddy diffusion*
- University of Maryland, College Park (*giving mini-lectures in discussion/tutorial classes, developing and grading quizzes, leading practical laboratory sessions and grading homework/exam*)
  1. Experimental Physics II: Electricity and Magnetism, Spring 2004
  2. General Physics II, Spring 2003
  3. Quantum Mechanics I (graduate level), Fall 2001
  4. Principles of Modern Physics, Spring 2001
  5. Intermediate Theoretical Methods, Spring 2001
  6. Chaotic Dynamics (graduate level), Spring 2000
  7. Intermediate Theoretical Methods, Spring 2000
  8. General Physics II, Fall 1999
  9. Principles of Physics II, Spring 1999
  10. Principles of Physics I, Fall 1998
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
  1. Corporate Communication Network, Spring 1997  
*leading computer simulation lab sessions*
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong (*giving mini-lectures in discussion/tutorial classes, leading practical laboratory sessions and grading homework/exam*)
  1. Mechanics, Spring 1996
  2. Mechanics, Fall 1995
  3. Perspective in Physics, Fall 1994

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