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## Education

**Postdoctoral Fellow, 2013–2015**      **University of South Florida FIO**      **Layton, FL**

*Postdoctoral Research Fellow:* Supervisor Dr. Nancy Thompson, Director of Florida Keys Marine Laboratory. Physical oceanography of coral reefs and other shallow-water marine ecosystems; analyzing big data on physical environments on the continental shelf to improve understanding of relative ecosystem resilience and restoration potential; research on impacts of oceanographic and meteorological variability on reefs and reef fisheries.

**Ph.D. Phys. Oceanography, 2013**      **University of Miami RSMAS**      **Miami, FL**

Dissertation (PhD): *Dynamics of Sea Temperature Variability on Florida's Reef Tract*, published August, 2013. Advisor: Prof. A. J. Mariano. Coursework: Physical oceanography, statistical data analysis, large-scale ocean circulation, coastal ocean circulation, geophysical fluid dynamics (I and II), atmospheric science, computational fluid dynamics, air-sea interaction, remote sensing of the ocean, ocean biogeochemistry, research ethics.

**S.B. Mathematics, 1990**      **Mass. Institute of Technology**      **Cambridge, MA**

Minor in English Literature, with significant cross-enrollment coursework at Harvard University.

Mathematics coursework: multivariate calculus, ODEs & PDEs, linear algebra, probability & statistics, group and field theory; algebraic topology, real & complex analysis, differential geometry, mathematical logic.

Computer science coursework: software design, numerical computing methods, digital systems design; real-time systems and control, operations research (LPs, IPs, quadratic programming problems, simulations, heuristic solutions), Artificial Intelligence and Expert Systems, Parallel Processing and Data Flow Architectures.

Science coursework: Organic chemistry, mechanics, electromagnetism, vibrations & waves, astronomy.

**Valedictorian, 1983**      **South Dade Senior High**      **Homestead, FL**

1982 - 1983 Community Science part-time research assistant on Positron Emission Tomography project, Univ. of Miami and Mt. Sinai Hospital – mathematics of image analysis (convolution, Laplacians), and data analysis. Awarded American Heart Association summer research grant for this project, Summer 1983.

Mathematics courses at University of Miami: differential equations and (500 level) topology, Spring 1983. Summer Science Program scholar, University of Florida, Computer Science Dept., Summer 1982.

## Professional Experience

**May 2005 – Present**      **University of Miami CIMAS**      **Miami, FL**

*Associate Scientist:* Working for Dr. S. G. Gopalakrishnan, NOAA AOML. Researching physical oceanography of tropical cyclone (TC) forecast modeling. Team development and real-time test of HAFS coupled HYCOM configuration; analysis and validation of forecast atmosphere, ocean, and air-sea forecasts vs. Hurricane Field Program observations. Assist transition to Readiness Level 8 (near-operational) for HWRF-B Basin Scale coupled TC model with ensemble KF atmospheric data assimilation. Apply statistical and artificial intelligence/machine learning (AI/ML) tools in python, to analyze observations and model outputs with the goal of providing “guidance on guidance”. Additional collaboration: very high-resolution modeling of coastal ocean circulation for reef connectivity and coral disease transmission in the Florida reef tract. 2006-2019 for Dr. J. C. Hendee. Researched physical oceanography of coastal and near-surface marine environments. Applied ML/AI tools to analyze dynamical and other physical observations on the shelf and surface ocean. 2005-2006 for Dr. M. Baringer: Created high-res. isopycnal smoothed ocean climatologies, parallelized jobs to apply climatologies to observational data (XBT, CTD) for annual NOAA State of the Climate Reports.

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### Professional Experience, continued

**Aug 2002 - Nov 2004** *Upstream Technologies LLC* **Boston, MA**

Upstream's *IMS* product provided massively scaled portfolio (quadratic) optimization using COM+, MSMQ/Application Center, and SQLServer, via a user interface based on ASP, XSLT, CSS and Jscript. *VP, Client Technical Services and Integration*: Responsible for integrating client portfolio management and equity/fixed-income trading systems with Upstream *IMS* product, using XML/XSL, COM+ and Windows Services. Gathered client needs, developed client apps in MATLAB, C#, VB for Windows Services + COM+.

**Jun 1996 - Aug 2002** *State Street Bank* **Boston, MA**

*1998 - 2002 Equity Trading technologist* - integration and support specialist for new clients; gathered client requirements for and implemented proprietary electronic trading systems, in C++ and Java with Oracle, and VBA with ADO; executed program trades for large institutional clients. **Instructor and student supervisor** in trading technology transfer to State Street's new Technology Center, Zhe Jiang Univ., Hang Zhou, China (PRC). *1996 - 1998 Principal Software Engineer* - designed, implemented and deployed new features of Lattice institutional electronic trading system using C++ and J2EE on Digital Unix and Solaris, with Oracle. Projects included integrating Lattice with multiple US ECNs, London Stock Exchange SETS system.

**Feb 1992 - Jun 1996** *CS First Boston Corp.* **Boston, MA**

*Principal Software Engineer*, developing in C++ and FORTRAN for UNIX and VMS, using Oracle and RDB. Integrated proprietary electronic *Lattice Trading System* with NYSE SuperDOT and NASDAQ electronic exchange systems, and Order Management System integrations and proprietary trading solutions.

**1990 - 1992** *People Tech Inc.* **Cambridge, MA**

*VP of Technology*. Managed a small team developing a multimedia application for the business market, using C++ with MFC on Windows, and MASM for SoundBlaster card and memory map interface.

**Fall 1990** *CS First Boston Corp.* **New York, NY**

*Contract position*, developing equity options pricing software in Objective-C for the NeXT OS.

**1988 - 1990** *Lotus Development Corp.* **Cambridge, MA**

*Senior Software Engineer*, in Lotus CD Information Services Division, and on Lotus 1-2-3 Version 3.0.

**1988** *Nomura Securities - America* **New York, NY**

*Contract position*, implementing fixed income pricing algorithms in FORTRAN for VMS.

**1986** *IBM* **Boca Raton, FL**

*Contract position*, developing stress- and unit-testing applications in C and MASM, for Virtual IO, Graphic Programming and Threading interfaces to new OS/2 1.0 operating system, at IBM Boca campus.

### Publications

Gramer, L.J., et al., in prep: Slope moderates reef temperatures.

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- Obura, D.O, et al., 2019: Coral reef monitoring, reef assessment technologies, and ecosystem-based management. *Frontiers in Marine Science – Ocean Observation*.
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### Support

NOAA Hurricane Forecast Improvement Project (HFIP). For FY 2019-2022. PI: Gopalakrishnan, G. P.  
Hurricane Supplemental (SUP). For FY 2021-2023. PI: Hazelton, A.

### Skills

**Languages:** Functional in German (6 yrs). Four years (2001-2005) tutoring Mandarin Chinese (普通话). Irish.

**Computer Languages:** C++, C, FORTRAN, MPI, Python (xarray, MetPy, scikit-learn, cartopy, matplotlib), MATLAB, R, Java, VB, Objective-C, Perl, csh/bash, SQL.

**Sys Admin skills:** 7+ years Linux (RHEL, CentOS, SL), MySQL, Apache, mailman. 8+ years UNIX (Alpha, SunOS/Solaris, AIX), Oracle (7 to 9i); 10+ years with Windows (NT – 10), SQLServer, COM+, .NET.

### Service and Teaching

Mentor of a Little Brother since 2006 through Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Greater Miami.

Teacher, NAMI Family-to-Family 12-week course, Miami, FL, 2013-present. State trainer, 2016-present.

Co-moderator, 2006-2019: *Coral-List*. Co-webmaster: <http://coral.noaa.gov>, <http://ecoforecast.coral.noaa.gov>.

Instructor: The technology of asset management and institutional equity trading, State Street Joint Technology Center, Zhe Jiang Univ., Hang Zhou, China (PRC), 2002.

T.A.: C++ Programming, Object-Oriented Analysis and Design. Harvard Extension/Summer Schools, 1989-1990.