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## **Education**

1998 Ph.D., Physical Oceanography, Florida State University, Florida. Thesis title: “Sea Ice and Climate Sensitivity.” PhD advisor: Dr. W. K. Dewar.

1993 M.S., Applied Mathematics and Physics. Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Russia. Thesis title: “Dynamics of a barotropic monopole on a beta-plane.” MS advisor: Dr. G. M. Reznik.

1991 B.S., Physics and Mathematics, Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Russia.

## **Professional Employment**

2014 – present Professor, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

2009 – 2013 Associate Professor, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

2005 – 2009 Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

2002 – 2005 Research Scientist, Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, UCLA.

1999 – 2001 Postdoctoral Researcher, Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, UCLA.

## **Current Research Interests**

Atmospheric Sciences, Physical Oceanography, Sea-Ice Dynamics, Climate Dynamics, Large-Scale and Mesoscale Atmosphere–Ocean–Sea-Ice Interaction, Statistical Methods, Data Modeling

## Refereed Publications

1. Mukhin, D., **S. Kravtsov**, A. Seleznev, E. Loskutov, M. Buyanova, and A. Feigin, 2023: Estimating predictability of a dynamical system from multiple samples of its evolution. *Chaos*, **33**, doi: 10.1063/5.0135506, <https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0135506>.
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9. **Sergey Kravtsov** and G. M. Reznik, 2021: Monopoles in a uniform zonal flow on a quasi-geostrophic  $\beta$ -plane: effects of the Galilean non-invariance of the rotating shallow-water equations. *J. Fluid Mech.*, **909**, A23, Cambridge University Press, doi:10.1017/jfm.2020.906.
10. Reznik, G.M. and **Kravtsov, S.**, 2020. Singular Vortices on a Beta-Plane: A Brief Review and Recent Results. *Physical Oceanography*, [e-journal] **27**(6), pp. 659–676. doi:10.22449/1573-160X-2020-6-659-676.
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14. **Sergey Kravtsov**, Christian Grimm and Shijie Gu, 2018: Global-scale multidecadal variability missing in the state-of-the-art climate models. *npj Climate and*

- Atmospheric Science*, **1**, 34, doi:10.1038/s41612-018-0044-6, <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41612-018-0044-6>.
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**Collaborators**

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### **Graduate Students**

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### **Synergistic Activities**

- PI and co-PI in a number of multi-institutional collaborative research projects funded by NSF, DOE, and NASA.
- Collaboration with AIR Worldwide (a leading risk modeling firm) on a project to apply empirical stochastic modeling for regional climate risk assessment.
- a member of the US AMOC Science Team since 2015.
- co-organized a number of sessions at the national and international conferences, including the "Data-driven" session at the 2017 joint AGU/JpGU meeting (Tokyo, Japan), a climate dynamics session at the 2017 International Symposium on Topical Problems in Nonlinear Wave Physics (Moscow, Russia), as well as a session on empirical climate modeling at the 2018 EGU meeting (Vienna, Austria)