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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

7/2024 - Present **Research Associate, Atmospheric Sciences, University of Utah**, Salt Lake City, Utah, United States
Advisor: Dr. Zhaoxia Pu

EDUCATION

9/2018 - 6/2024 **Ph.D., Atmospheric Sciences, University of Utah**, Salt Lake City, Utah, United States
Dissertation: Assimilation of All-Sky GOES-16 Water Vapor Channels, Aeolus Satellite Winds, and Airborne Lidar Observations for Improved Numerical Simulations of Tropical Cyclones and Convections [Link](#)
Advisor: Dr. Zhaoxia Pu

9/2015 - 8/2018 **M.S., Meteorology, Key Laboratory of Mesoscale Severe Weather, Nanjing University**, Nanjing, China
Thesis: Interdecadal Change of Tropical Cyclone Activity in the Western North Pacific [Link](#)
Advisor: Dr. Juan Fang

9/2011 - 8/2015 **B.S., Atmospheric Sciences, Kuang Yaming Honors Class'11, Nanjing University**, Nanjing, China

RESEARCH INTEREST

Data Assimilation Investigate the impacts of assimilating **satellite and aircraft-based observations** on simulations of **Tropical Cyclones and African Easterly Waves** with data processing techniques, such as quality control, data thinning, **bias correction, and interchannel correlations**

Cold Fog Understand and improve simulations of **cold fogs** over complex terrains with comprehensive observations, including their microphysics properties and visibility calculation

FIRST-AUTHORED PUBLICATIONS

2025 **Feng, C.**, and Z. Pu, 2025: All-sky Assimilation of GOES-16 Water Vapor Channels in Consideration of Cloud-Dependent Interchannel Observation-Error Correlations. *Monthly Weather Review*, 153(1), 23-47, <https://doi.org/10.1175/MWR-D-24-0038.1>. [*Modeling and understanding the interchannel observation-error correlations of GOES-16 water vapor channels, critical for assimilation and verification of infrared channels*]

Feng, C., Z. Pu, A. R. Nehrir, K. M. Bedka, and J. Doyle, 2025: Benefits of Assimilating DAWN and HALO Observations for Numerical Simulations of Tropical Convective Systems Associated with African Easterly Waves during NASA's CPEX-AW and CPEX-CV. *Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology*, 42(11), 1419-1444, <https://doi.org/10.1175/JTECH-D-24-0138.1>. [*First attempt to assimilate DAWN and HALO data simultaneously.*]

2023 **Feng, C.**, and Z. Pu, 2023: The Impacts of Assimilating Aeolus Horizontal Line-of-Sight Winds on Numerical Predictions of Hurricane Ida (2021) and a Mesoscale Convective System over the Atlantic Ocean. *Atmospheric Measurement Techniques*, 16(10), 2691-2708, <https://doi.org/10.5194/amt-16-2691-2023>. [*Exploring how assimilation of Aeolus data improves hurricane and MCS forecasts; Pre-experiments for assimilation of DAWN winds during CPEX field campaigns.*]

2022 **Feng, C.**, and Z. Pu, 2022: A Bias Correction Scheme with the Symmetric Cloud Proxy Variable and Its Influence on Assimilating All-Sky GOES-16 Brightness Temperatures. *Monthly Weather Review*, 150(12), 3305-3323, <https://doi.org/10.1175/MWR-D-21-0333.1>. [*Examining the VarBC with symmetric cloud proxy variable for GOES-16 water vapor channels closely.*]

In Review **Feng, C.**, Z. Pu, and O. Ge: Sensitivity of Numerical Simulations of Ephemeral Shallow Cold Radiation Fog to Snow Cover in Initial Conditions During the CFACT Field Campaign. Submitted to *Weather and Forecasting*.

In Preparation **Feng, C.**, and Z. Pu: Influence of Time and Vertical Resolution and Soil Thermal Conductivity on Simulating Cold Fogs During CFACT

Feng, C., Z. Pu., and I. Gultepe: Microphysics and Visibility of the Simulations of Two Cold Fog Cases During CFACT

CO-AUTHORED PUBLICATIONS

2022	Wei, Y., F. Liu, H. Ren, G. Chen, C. Feng , and B. Chen, 2022: Western Pacific Premoistening for Eastward-Propagating BSISO and Its ENSO Modulation. <i>Journal of Climate</i> , 35(15), 4979–4996, https://doi.org/10.1175/JCLI-D-21-0923.1 .
In Preparation	Pu, Z., and C. Feng , and Z. Pu: Assimilation of TROPICS temperature and moisture retrievals in the Hurricane Analysis and Forecast System (HAFS): Assessment through Two Atlantic Hurricane Cases
	Stoddard, J., C. Feng , and Z. Pu: Assimilating CYGNSS Ocean Surface Winds to Improve the Numerical Prediction of Tropical Cyclones Using the Hurricane Analysis and Forecast System (HAFS).

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

2025	Group Achievement Award to NASA's Convective Processes Experiment-AW and -CV for exceptional accomplishments of the Convective Processes Experiment (CPEX) team and their contribution to atmospheric and weather research
2023	First Place Oral Presentation at the 27th Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface (IOAS-AOLS) during the 103rd AMS annual meeting: A bias correction scheme with the symmetric cloud proxy variable and its influence on assimilating all-sky GOES-16 brightness temperatures
	Edward J. Zipser Award for Excellence in Graduate Research Award in the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at the University of Utah
2016, 2017	The First-Class Graduate Student Scholarship

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

2025	Session Co-Chair at the AMS's 29th Conference on IOAS-AOLS
2023 - Present	Reviewer for Weather and Forecasting, <i>Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems</i> , <i>The Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society</i> , <i>Modeling Earth Systems and Environment</i>
2018 - Present	Member of American Meteorological Society (AMS)

PRESENTATIONS

2025	Feng, C. , and Z. Pu, 2025: All-Sky Assimilation of GOES-16 Water Vapor Channels in Consideration of Cloud-Dependent Interchannel Observation-Error Correlations. 105th AMS Annual Meeting, 29th Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface (IOAS-AOLS), New Orleans, Louisiana, 12 - 16 January 2025.
	Feng, C. , Z. Pu, A. R. Nehrir, K. M. Bedka, and J. Doyle, 2025: Impacts of Assimilating DAWN and HALO Observations on Numerical Simulations of Tropical Convective Systems Associated with African Easterly Waves During NASA's CPEX-AW and CPEX-CV. 105th AMS Annual Meeting, 4th Symposium on Mesoscale Processes, New Orleans, Louisiana, 12 - 16 January 2025.
2024	Feng, C. , and Z. Pu, 2024: All-Sky Assimilation of GOES-16 Water Vapor Channels with Accounting for Cloud-Dependent Interchannel Correlations. 104th AMS Annual Meeting, 28th Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface (IOAS-AOLS), Baltimore, Maryland, 28 January - 1 February 2024.
2023	Feng, C. , and Z. Pu, 2023: A Bias Correction Scheme with the Symmetric Cloud Proxy Variable and Its Influence on Assimilating All-Sky GOES-16 Brightness Temperatures. 103rd AMS Annual Meeting, 27th Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface (IOAS-AOLS), Denver, Colorado, 8 - 12 January 2023.
2021	Feng, C. , and Z. Pu, 2021: Bias Correction for All-Sky Satellite Data Assimilation with GOES-R Using Symmetric Cloud Proxy Variables. 101st AMS Annual Meeting, 25th Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface (IOAS-AOLS), Virtual Meeting, 10-15 January 2021.
	Feng, C. , and Z. Pu, 2021: Bias Correction with the Symmetric Cloud Proxy Variable and its Influence on Assimilating All-Sky GOES-16 Brightness Temperatures. 34th Conference on Hurricanes and Tropical Meteorology, AMS, Virtual Meeting, 10 - 14 May 2021.