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Professional Preparation

University of Puget Sound	B.S., Mathematics and Physics	May 2002
University of Oregon	M.S., Physics	May 2004
Oregon State University	Ph.D., Physical Oceanography	Oct. 2009
NorthWest Research Associates	Postdoctoral Researcher	Jan. 2011–May 2012
NorthWest Research Associates	Research Scientist	Jun. 2012–Dec. 2019
NorthWest Research Associates	Senior Research Scientist	Jan. 2020–present

Scientific, Technical, and Management Performance

My research interests can be broadly characterized as using statistical and mathematical approaches to understanding dynamical processes ranging from submesoscale stirring by internal waves to mesoscale eddies and geostrophic turbulence. I specialize in the formulation and numerical implementation of process models, most of which are publicly available at jeffreyearly.com. I have been principal investigator on research grants funded through the Office of Navy Research (ONR), the National Science Foundation (NSF), and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Relevant Publications

1. Klenz, T., H. Simmons, L. Centurioni, J. Lilly, J. Early, and V. Hormann (2022). Estimates of Near-Inertial Wind Power Input Using Novel In Situ Wind Measurements from Minimet Surface Drifters in the Iceland Basin. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*. <https://doi.org/10.1175/JPO-D-21-0283.1>.
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 - 11. Elipot, S., R. Lumpkin, R. C. Perez, J. M. Lilly, J. J. Early, and A. M. Sykulski (2016). A global surface drifter data set at hourly resolution. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, **121**: 1–30. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2016JC011716>
 - 12. T. Bartlett, A. Sykulski, S. Olhede, J. M. Lilly, J. Early (2015). A power variance test for nonstationarity in complex-valued signals. Refereed conference proceedings paper. *Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications*. <https://doi.org/10.1109/ICMLA.2015.122>
 - 13. Shcherbina, et al. (2015). The LatMix summer campaign: submesoscale stirring in the upper ocean. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1175/BAMS-D-14-00015.1>
 - 14. Early, J. (2012). The forces of inertial oscillations. *Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society* **138**: 1914-1922. <https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.1917>
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