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Education

- Ph.D., Civil and Environmental Engineering, The University of Iowa, USA, December 2009
- M. Tech. in Satellite Technology and Applications, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India, March 2003
- B.Eng., Civil Engineering, Osmania University, Hyderabad, India, March 2001

Working & Research Experience

- (1) January 2010 December 2011: Postdoctoral Scientist, Federal Bureau of Meteorology and Climatology (MeteoSwiss), Locarno, Switzerland
 - ❖ Part of the IMPRINTS project under the EU FP7 framework
 - Characterizing the space-time structure of rainfall over the European Alps
 - Evaluating the short-term quantitative precipitation forecasting tool (MAPLE)
- (2) August 2004 December 2009: Graduate Research Assistant, IIHR-Hydroscience and Engineering, The University of Iowa, USA
 - Evaluating the radar-rainfall products over central United States
 - Performing scaling analysis of remotely sensed rainfall products, river networks and streamflows.
 - Investigating the role of rainfall variability in the statistical structure of peak flows
- (3) February 2003 June 2004: Project Assistant, Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India.
 - Water balance studies for the Arkavati River basin in southern India using remotely sensed data and Soil and Water Assessment Tool.

Research Interests

- Quantitative precipitation estimation and forecasting
- Remote sensing
- Hydrologic scaling
- Uncertainty propagation studies
- Statistical downscaling of regional climate data

Honors & Awards

- March 2009: Second place in Mathematical, Physical Sciences and Engineering Division at the 11th Annual James F. Jakobsen Graduate Forums, The University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- March 2006, 2007, and 2008: Third place in Mathematical, Physical Sciences and Engineering Division at the 8th, 9th, and 10th Annual James F. Jakobsen Graduate Forums, The University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- January 2006 and 2007: Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research Graduate Student Travel Award, The University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- August 2004 December 2009: Graduate Research Assistantship, IIHR– Hydroscience & Engineering, The University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- March 2001: All India second rank in Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE-2001) conducted by the Government of India for admission into graduate courses in engineering.

Publications

Journal papers

- Mandapaka, P. V., U. Germann, and L. Panziera (In Press), Diurnal variability of precipitation over complex Alpine orography: Inferences from high-resolution radar observations. Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society
- Cunha, L. K., P. V. Mandapaka, W. F. Krajewski, R. Mantilla, and A. A. Bradley (In Press), Impact of radar-rainfall errors on estimated flood magnitude across scales: An investigation based on a parsimonious distributed hydrological model, Water Resources Research
- Mandapaka, P. V., U. Germann, L. Panziera, and A. Hering (2012), Can Lagrangian extrapolation of radar fields be used for precipitation nowcasting over complex Alpine orography? Weather and Forecasting, 27, 28-49.
- Panziera, L., U. Germann, M. Gabella, and P. V. Mandapaka (2011), NORA -Nowcasting of orographic rainfall by means of analogues, Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society, 137, 2106-2123.

- Mandapaka, P.V., G. Villarini, B.-C, Seo, and W.F. Krajewski (2010), Effect of radar-rainfall errors on the spatial characterization of rainfall events, Journal of Geophysical Research, 115, D17110.
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- Mandapaka, P. V., W. F. Krajewski, R. Mantilla, and V. K. Gupta (2009), Dissecting the effect of rainfall variability on the statistical structure of peak flows, Advances in Water Resources, 32, 1508-1525.
- Mandapaka, P. V., W. F. Krajewski, G. Villarini, G. J. Ciach, and J. A. Smith (2009), Estimation of radar-rainfall error spatial correlation, Advances in Water Resources, 32, 1020- 1030.
- Villarini, G., P. V. Mandapaka, W. F. Krajewski, and R. J. Moore (2008), Rainfall and sampling uncertainties: A rain gauge perspective, Journal of Geophysical Research, 113, D11102.

Book Chapters

- Mandapaka, P.V., U. Germann, L. Panziera, and A. Hering (2012), Extending the Lagrangian extrapolation scheme to account for the evolution of rainfall patterns over the complex orography, Proceedings of weather radar and hydrology symposium, UK, April 2011, IAHS Red Book Series, Volume 351.
- Mandapaka, P.V., and U. Germann (2010), Radar-rainfall error models and ensemble generators, Rainfall: State of Science, Gebremichael, M., and F. Testik (Eds.), Geophysical Monograph Series, Volume 191, ISBN 978-0-87590-481-8, American Geophysical Union.
- Mandapaka, P.V., and M. Sekhar (2004), Hydrologic simulation using SWAT model: A case study for TG Halli catchment in Arkavati River basin, Karnataka, Integrated Water Resources Planning and Management, Srinivasa Raju, K., A. K. Sarkar and M. Dash (Eds.), ISBN 81-86321-98-5, Jain Brothers, New Delhi.

Conference papers

- Mandapaka, P.V., U. Germann, and L. Panziera (2012), Characterizing the diurnal cycle of precipitation over complex Alpine orography using four-dimensional radar observations, Proceedings of the 7th European Conference on Radar in Meteorology and Hydrology, Toulouse, France
- Foresti, L., L. Panziera, P.V. Mandapaka, U. Germann, M. Kanevski, and A.
 Pozdnoukhov (2011), Nowcasting by analogues: a generalization using radar data sequences, 35th Conference on Radar Meteorology, Pittsburgh, USA.
- Panziera, L., P.V. Mandapaka, A. Atencia, A. Hering, U. Germann, M. Gabella, and M. Buzzi (2010), Evaluation of precipitation nowcasting techniques for the Alpine region, 10th EMS Annual Meeting and 8th European Conference on Applied Climatology, Zurich, Switzerland.

- Germann, U., L. Panziera, P.V. Mandapaka, A. Hering, and M. Zappa (2010), Analogs, mesoscale wind and airmass stability: the key for nowcasting orographic precipitation, Proceedings of 6th European Conference on Radar in Meteorology and Hydrology: Advances in Radar Technology, Sibiu, Romania.
- Atencia, A., J. Bech, T. Rigo, A. Sairouni, J. More, E. Vilaclara, L. Panziera, P.V. Mandapaka, U. Germann, A. Hering, M. Buzzi, M. del Carmen Llasat and L. Garrote (2010), Blending NWP corrected forecasts and radar-based nowcasts, Proceedings of 6th European Conference on Radar in Meteorology and Hydrology: Advances in Radar Technology, Sibiu, Romania.
- Mandapaka, P.V., R. Mantilla, and W.F. Krajewski (2010), Effects of radar-rainfall uncertainties on statistical scaling structure of event-based peak flows, Geophysical Research Abstracts, Vol. 12, EGU2010-6114.
- Mandapaka, P.V., R. Mantilla, and W.F. Krajewski (2009), Effects of radar-rainfall uncertainties on statistical structure of floods, Geophysical Research Abstracts, Vol. 11, EGU2009-10964.
- Mandapaka, P.V., R. Mantilla, and W.F. Krajewski (2009), Exploring the feasibility
 of recovering statistical properties of runoff from the scaling statistics of peak
 flows, Geophysical Research Abstracts, Vol. 11, EGU2009-11806.
- Krajewski, W.F., Mandapaka, P.V., and R. Mantilla (2008), Spatial downscaling of rainfall: Does it matter for flood forecating, EOS Trans. AGU, 89(53), Fall Meet. Supplement.
- Mandapaka, P.V., W.F. Krajewski, R. Mantilla and V.K. Gupta (2008), Simulation based investigation of the effects of radar-rainfall uncertainties on scaling of flood peaks in Whitewater basin, Kansas, AGU Joint Assembly, 26-30 May 2008, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.
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- Krajewski, W.F., P.V. Mandapaka, G. Villarini, and P. Lewandowski (2008), Bridging the Scale Gap: Radar and Small-Scale Rainfall Variability, Geophysical Research Abstracts, Vol. 10, EGU2008-A-11161.
- Mandapaka, P.V., and W.F. Krajewski (2007), Multiscaling analysis and modeling of radar-rainfall for hydrological scaling studies, 9th International Precipitation Conference, Paris, France.
- Villarini, G., P.V. Mandapaka, and W.F. Krajewski (2007), Rainfall sampling uncertainties: A rain gauge perspective, AGU General Assembly, Acapulco, Mexico.
- Villarini, G., P.V. Mandapaka, and W.F. Krajewski (2007), Evaluation of radarrainfall uncertainties by a highly dense rain gauge network, AGU General Assembly, Acapulco, Mexico.

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