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EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Geophysics, Stanford University	2016 - 2021
	Thesis: <i>Applications of Deep Learning in Seismology</i>	
	Adviser: <i>Gregory C. Beroza</i>	
Ph.D. minor	Computer Science, Stanford University	2016 - 2021
M.S.	Geophysics, Peking University	2013 - 2016
B.S.	Geophysics, Economics (Double Degree), Peking University	2009 - 2013

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Director's Postdoctoral Fellow	California Institute of Technology	2021 -
Graduate Researcher	Stanford University	2016 - 2021

AWARDS AND HONORS

Director's Postdoctoral Fellowship, Caltech Seismological Laboratory	2021
Exceptional Thesis, Geophysics, Stanford University	2021
Outstanding Student Presentation Award (OSPA), AGU	2021
National Scholarship, Peking University	2015
Outstanding Student Paper Award, Chinese Geophysical Society	2014
National Scholarship, Peking University	2012

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research focuses on understanding earthquake physics and statistics by applying cutting-edge artificial intelligence and scientific computing methods to gain new insights from large seismic datasets.

1. **Machine Learning/Deep Learning** for Geophysical Signal Discovery

- Applying deep learning to detecting hidden earthquake signals from large seismic datasets to understand complex earthquake sequences and fault zone structures.
- Applying cloud computing to large-scale data mining to build high resolution earthquake catalogs for studying earthquake risks, volcanic activities, glacier evolution, etc.

2. **Earthquake Simulation and Seismic Inversion** for Understanding Earthquake Physics

- Applying earthquake simulation to analyze multiphysics couplings within fault zones such as fluid, permeability, friction, and other mechanical properties.
- Applying automatic differentiation to improve geophysical inversion and constrain key physical parameters such as earthquake source parameters and the Earth's interior structures.

PUBLICATIONS

Earthquake Simulation and Seismic Inversion:

Zhu, W., Allison, K. L., Dunham, E. M., & Yang, Y. (2020). Fault Valving and Pore Pressure Evolution in Simulations of Earthquake Sequences and Aseismic Slip. *Nature Communications*. (pdf, code)

Zhu, W., Xu, K., Darve, E., & Beroza, G. C. (2021). A General Approach to Seismic Inversion with Automatic Differentiation. *Computers & Geosciences*. (pdf, code)

- Zhu, W.**, Xu, K., Darve, E., Biondi, B., & Beroza, G. C. (2021). Integrating deep neural networks with full-waveform inversion: Reparametrization, regularization, and uncertainty quantification. *Geophysics*. (pdf, code)
- Zhu, W.**, & Huang, Q.-H. (2016). Attenuation compensated reverse time migration method of ground penetrating radar signals. *Chinese Journal of Geophysics*.
- Xu, K., **Zhu, W.**, & Darve, E. (2022). Learning generative neural networks with physics knowledge. *Research in the Mathematical Sciences*. (pdf)
- Xu, K., **Zhu, W.**, & Darve, E. (2020). Distributed machine learning for computational engineering using mpi. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2011.01349*.

Machine Learning/Deep Learning:

- Zhu, W.**, & Beroza, G. C. (2018). PhaseNet: a deep-neural-network-based seismic arrival-time picking method. *Geophysical Journal International*. (pdf, code)
- Zhu, W.**, Mousavi, S. M., & Beroza, G. C. (2019b). Seismic Signal Denoising and Decomposition using Deep Neural Networks. *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*. (pdf, code)
- Zhu, W.**, Mousavi, S. M., & Beroza, G. C. (2020). Seismic Signal Augmentation to Improve Generalization of Deep Neural Networks. *Advances in Geophysics*. (pdf)
- Zhu, W.**, McBrearty, I. W., Mousavi, S. M., Ellsworth, W. L., & Beroza, G. C. (2022). Earthquake phase association using a bayesian gaussian mixture model. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth*. (pdf, code)
- Zhu, W.**, Tai, K. S., Mousavi, S. M., Bailis, P., & Beroza, G. C. (2022). An end-to-end earthquake detection method for joint phase picking and association using deep learning. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth*. (pdf)
- Yang, L., Liu, X., Zhu, W., Zhao, L., & Beroza, G. C. (2022). Toward improved urban earthquake monitoring through deep-learning-based noise suppression. *Science advances*.
- Retailleau, L., Saurel, J.-M., **Zhu, W.**, Satriano, C., Beroza, G. C., Issartel, S., ... Team, O. (2021). PhaseWorm: A real-time machine-learning-based algorithm for volcano-tectonic earthquake monitoring. *Seismological Research Letters (under review)*.
- Datta, A., Wu, D. J., Zhu, W., Cai, M., & Ellsworth, W. L. (2022). Deepshake: Shaking intensity prediction using deep spatiotemporal rnns for earthquake early warning. *Seismological Society of America*.
- Tan, Y. J., Waldhauser, F., Ellsworth, W. L., Zhang, M., **Zhu, W.**, Michele, M., ... Segou, M. (2021). Machine-learning-based high-resolution earthquake catalog reveals how complex fault structures were activated during the 2016–2017 central italy sequence. *The Seismic Record*. (pdf)
- Mousavi, S. M., Ellsworth, W. L., **Zhu, W.**, Chuang, L. Y., & Beroza, G. C. (2020). Earthquake transformer—an attentive deep-learning model for simultaneous earthquake detection and phase picking. *Nature Communications*. (pdf, code)
- Chai, C., Maceira, M., Santos-Villalobos, H. J., Venkatakrishnan, S. V., Schoenball, M., **Zhu, W.**, ... Team, E. C. (2020). Using a deep neural network and transfer learning to bridge scales for seismic phase picking. *Geophysical Research Letters*. (pdf)
- Liu, M., Zhang, M., **Zhu, W.**, Ellsworth, W. L., & Li, H. (2020). Rapid characterization of the july 2019 ridge-crest, california, earthquake sequence from raw seismic data using machine-learning phase picker. *Geophysical Research Letters*. (pdf)
- Park, Y., Mousavi, S. M., **Zhu, W.**, Ellsworth, W. L., & Beroza, G. C. (2020). Machine-learning-based analysis of the guy-greenbrier, arkansas earthquakes: A tale of two sequences. *Geophysical Research Letters*. (pdf)
- Mousavi, S. M., Sheng, Y., **Zhu, W.**, & Beroza, G. C. (2019). STanford EArthquake Dataset (STEAD): A global data set of seismic signals for AI. *IEEE Access*. (pdf)
- Mousavi, S. M., **Zhu, W.**, Ellsworth, W., & Beroza, G. (2019). Unsupervised clustering of seismic signals using deep convolutional autoencoders. *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters*. (pdf)

Mousavi, S. M., **Zhu, W.**, Sheng, Y., & Beroza, G. C. (2019). CRED: A deep residual network of convolutional and recurrent units for earthquake signal detection. *Scientific Reports*. (pdf)

ABSTRACTS AND REPORTS (SELECTED)

Zhu, W., Xu, K., Darve, E., Biondi, B., & Beroza, G. C. (2022). Automatic differentiation for seismic inversion. In *SSA 2022 Annual Meeting*.

Zhu, W., Zhu, W., Biondi, E., Ross, Z. E., & Zhan, Z. (2022). Phase picking on distributed acoustic sensing data using semi-supervised learning. In *SSA 2022 Annual Meeting*.

Zhu, W., Hou, A., Yang, R., Datta, A., Mousavi, S. M., Zhang, M., ... Beroza, G. C. (2021). QuakeFlow: A Scalable Deep-learning-based Earthquake Monitoring Workflow with Cloud Computing. In *2021 AGU Fall Meeting*.

Zhu, W., Mousavi, S. M., & Beroza, G. C. (2019a). Real-Time Earthquake Detection and Phase Picking Using WaveNet. In *SSA 2019 Annual Meeting*.

Zhu, W., Sheng, Y., & Sun, Y. (2017). Wave-dynamics Simulation using Deep Neural Networks. In *Stanford Report, Stanford Vision and Learning Lab*.

Wang, K., **Zhu, W.**, Ellsworth, W. L., & Beroza, G. C. (2019). Earthquake detection in devolocorder films: An image-based detection neural network for analog seismograms. In *2019 AGU Fall Meeting*.

Li, Z., **Zhu, W.**, Hauksson, E., & Beroza, G. C. (2019). Realistic synthetic broadband ground motions by machine learning. In *SSA 2019 Annual Meeting*.

INVITED TALKS

Automatic Differentiation for Geophysical Inversion, *Department Seminar of Geophysics, Peking University* Oct 2021

Deep Learning for Phase Picking and Earthquake Monitoring, *European Seismological Commission (ESC)* Sep 2021

Earthquake Monitoring and Modeling with Deep Learning and Numerical Simulation, *Earth System Science (ESSC), CUHK* Aug 2021

Deep Learning for Seismic Denoising and Phase Picking, *Seismological Methods and Programs Online Course, USTC* Aug 2021

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Google Research Intern Jun-Sep 2019

Project: Earthquake Early Warning System based on Mobile Phone Sensors (link)

- Built deep learning models and collected a training dataset to remove false-positive triggering, e.g, phone vibrations, from true earthquake shaking
- Developed methods to estimate shaking intensity and determine warning area by predicting the earthquake magnitude, location, and time from detected phone accelerations

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant Crustal Deformation, *Stanford University* Winter 2019

Teaching Assistant Earthquakes and Volcanoes, *Stanford University* Spring 2020

Workshop Lecturer Deep Learning for Seismology, *National Geophysical Observation and Research Center (Shanghai Sheshan)* Aug 2021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Guest editor for :

- Special issue of “Artificial Intelligence in Seismology”, *Earthquake Science*, 2021

Reviewer for:

Applied Geophysics;
Computers & Geosciences;
Earth Science Review;
Frontiers;
Geophysical Journal International;
Geophysical Research Letters;
Geoscience Letters;
IEEE Computational Intelligence Society;
IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society Letters;
Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth;
Scientific Reports;

Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America;
Earthquake Science;
Earth, Planets and Space;
Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems;
Geophysical Prospecting;
Geophysics;
IET Signal Processing;
IEEE Internet of Things Journal;
IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing;
Neural Information Processing Systems - AI4Science;
Seismological Research Letters;