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Professional Appointments





2023 – on **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**
Division of Mathematical Sciences
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Education

2017 – 2023 **Ph.D in Geophysics**, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, China

2013 – 2017 **BSc in Geophysics**, WuHan University, Wuhan, China


Research Interests

-  Structure and Evolution of the Earth's Lithosphere
-  Theory and Applications of Seismic Tomography
-  Observations of Earthquake Source
-  Geodynamic modelling

Awards & Honors

- 2017 Outstanding undergraduate graduates of WuHan University
- 2017 Outstanding undergraduate thesis of WuHan University

Professional Societies & Activities

- 2019 Student Organizer of “Weekly Graduate Student Seminar of Geophysics, USTC”
- 2017 Secretary of the Foundation Exchange Meeting of China Seismological Reference Model 

- 2017 – on Member of the American Geophysical Union (AGU)
- 2017 – on Construction member of China Seismological Reference Model
- 2016 – on Contributor of GMT China Community



Peer-reviewed Publications

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- 2025 Bai Y., Hao S., Xie J., Xu M., **Xiao X.**, Chen J., Chey C., Wang D., & Tong P. Geothermal potential in Singapore explored with non-invasive seismic data *Engineering Geology*. doi:[10.1016/j.enggeo.2025.107968](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enggeo.2025.107968)
- 2024 **Xiao X.***, Cheng S., Wu J., Wang W., Sun L., Wang X., Ma J., Tong Y., Liang X., Tian X., Li H., Chen Q., Yu S., & Wen L. CSRM-1.0: A China Seismological Reference Model. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth*. doi:[10.1029/2024JB029520](https://doi.org/10.1029/2024JB029520)
- 2022 **Xiao X.***, Sun L., Wang X., & Wen L. Simultaneous inversion for surface wave phase velocity and earthquake centroid parameters: methodology and application. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth*. doi:[10.1029/2022JB024018](https://doi.org/10.1029/2022JB024018). 
- Yao J., Wu S., Li T., Bai Y., **Xiao X.**, Hubbard J., Wang Y., He Y., Thant M., & Tong P. Imaging the upper 10 km crustal shear-wave velocity structure of central Myanmar via a joint inversion of body-wave polarizations and receiver functions. *Seismological Research Letter*. doi:[10.1785/0220210292](https://doi.org/10.1785/0220210292).
- 2021 Cheng S., **Xiao X.**, Wu J., Wang W., Sun L., Wang X., & Wen L. Crustal Thickness and Vp/Vs Variations Beneath the Continental China Revealed by Receiver Function Analysis. *Geophysical Journal International*. doi:[10.1093/gji/ggab022](https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggab022)
- Xiao X.***, Cheng S., Wu J., Wang W., Sun L., Wang X., & Wen L. Shallow seismic structure beneath China revealed by P wave polarization, Rayleigh wave ellipticity and receiver function. *Geophysical Journal International*. doi:[10.1093/gji/ggab433](https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggab433). 

Papers Submitted/Under Review

- 2022 Mao S., Cheng S., **Xiao X.**, Wu J., Wang W., Sun L., Wang X., & Wen L. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth* [Submitted]

Papers in Preparation

- on **Xiao X.***, Cheng S., Wu J., Wang W., Sun L., Wang X., Ma J., Tong Y., Liang X., Tian X., Li H., Chen Q., & Wen L. CSRD-1.0: A Seismological Reference Dataset around continental China.
- on **Xiao X.**, Chen J., Hao S., Wang X., Nagaso M., Xu M., Bai Y., & Tong P.*; Tertiary Post-collisional Evolution of the Western Alps Orogen Driven by European Slab Breakoff

Presentations

Invited & Keynotes

- 2018 **Xiao X.**, Cheng S., & Wen L. Shallow shear wave structure beneath China revealed by rayleigh wave ellipticity and receiver function. *USTC*, Dec. 25, 2018.
[Student Seminar]

Other Presentations

- 2022 **Xiao X.**, Sun L., Wang X., & Wen L. Simultaneous inversion for surface wave phase velocity and earthquake centroid parameters: methodology and application. *AGU 2022*, Chicago, IL, USA and *CGU 2022*, Online, CHN
- 2019 Xu, Y., Sun L., Hao, J., Lu, Z., **Xiao X.**, & Wen L. Source properties of 17 June 2019 Changning earthquake (Mw 6.2), China and its aftershocks. *AGU 2019*, San Francisco, CA, USA.
- Zhu, J., Lu, Z., Xu, Y., **Xiao X.**, Wang X., & Wen L. Temperature-related Martian seismic events observed by InSight. *AGU 2019*, San Francisco, CA, USA.
- Mao S., Cheng S., **Xiao X.**, Wu J., & Wen L. A three-dimensional receiver function migration method imaging the crustal structure in Sichuan-Yunnan Region, Southwest China. *AGU 2019*, San Francisco, CA, USA.
- Lu, Z., **Xiao X.**, Cheng S., Wang X., Zhu, J., & Wen L. Shallow Martian Seismic Velocity Structure Inferred from InSight's Seismic Signals Produced by Air Pressure Variations. *AGU 2019*, San Francisco, CA, USA.
- Xiao X.**, Cheng S., & Wen L. A Preliminary Crustal Shear Wave Velocity Model for the continental China. *AGU 2019*, San Francisco, CA, USA. 
- 2018 **Xiao X.**, Cheng S., & Wen L. Shallow seismic structure beneath China revealed by body-wave polarization and Rayleigh-wave ellipticity. *AGU 2018*, Washington, DC, USA. 
- 2017 **Xiao X.**, & Wen L. 3D Crust and Uppermost Mantle Structure beneath Tian Shan Region from ambient noise and earthquake surface waves. *AGU 2017*, New Orleans, LA, USA. 

Expertise & Skills

Languages : Mandarin Chinese, English.

Programming : Python, Fortran, C, Matlab, Shell, LaTeX.


Seismological Tools : SAC, GMT, SOD, ObsPy, TauP, CPS330.


Synthetics : Reflectivity Method, Modal Summation, Generalized Ray Theory, Finite Difference.


Glossary

These are the meanings of the symbols used throughout this document:

 Link to a code repository on GitHub

 An ordinary link

 Link to presentation slides

 Field of research