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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Urban building energy model (UBEM)
- Urban microclimate
- Mobility and heat risk
- Inequity in heat exposure
- Resilient urban design under extreme weather

#### **SKILLS**

- Coding: Python (Machine learning, Deep learning)
- Geography: ArcGIS, QGIS (UMEP), ENVI, SAGA
- Simulation: DesignBuilder, Ecotect, Radiance, Daysim, Dpethmap, Ladybug, Honeybee, Dragonfly, Eddy3D
- 3D Modeling: Rhino + Grasshopper, SketchUp
- 2D Graphic: AutoCAD, Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, PowerPoint
- Statistics: Excel, SPSS, Minitab, Origin
- Rendering: Enscape, V-ray
- Video Editing: Premiere, Audition

# **EDUCATION**

• 2020.08 – 2025.09	School of Architecture, Tsinghua University	Beijing, China
	Ph.D. in Engineering (Supervisor: Prof. Nian-xiong Liu)	
	Dissertation: Design Optimization of Outdoor Thermal Environment	and Building Form
	Layout under Extreme Climate Risks	
• 2023.10 – 2024.10	Department of Architecture, National University of Singapore	Singapore
	Visiting Ph.D. student of Architecture (Supervisor: Associate Prof. Ch.	ao Yuan)
• 2017.08 <i>-</i> 2020.06	School of Architecture, South China University of Technology	Guangzhou, China
	M.Arch of Architecture (Supervisor: Prof. Yang Wang)	
	Dissertation: Research on Space and Morphology Design of Umbrella	Structures Building
• 2012.08 <i>-</i> 2017.06	School of Architecture and Art, Hefei University of Technology	Hefei, China
	B.arch of Architecture	

#### LIST OF ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

(† co-first author; \* Corresponding Author)

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Web of Science Researcher ID: OIR-4914-2025 (Total citations: 61, H-index: 5)

Google Scholar: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=GW\_6fuUAAAAJ (Total citations: 77, H-index: 5)

Scopus: https://www.scopus.com/authid/detail.uri?authorId=57349228300 (Total citations: 62, H-index: 4)

ResearchGate: https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Shuyang-Zhang-17/research (Total citations: 75, H-index: 5)

# • Publications in Refereed Journals (published 12 papers, with 8 of them as the first author):

- 1. **Zhang S**, Liu N\*, Wu X, Han Y, Li W, Guo F, Song X, Yuan C. (2025). An empirical study on the compound effects of extreme weather and UHI on building energy consumption under urban local climate. *Building and Environment*, 287, 113824. (SCI Q1, IF=7.6) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.buildenv.2025.113824
- 2. **Zhang** S, Yuan C, Chen T, Ma B, Liu N\*. (2024). A cross-scale indicator framework for the study of annual stability of land surface temperature in different land uses. *Sustainable Cities and Society*, *116*, 105936. (SCI Q1, IF=12, 7 citations) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.scs.2024.105936
- 3. **Zhang S**, Yuan C, Ma B, Liu N\*, Li W. (2024). Coupling effects of building-vegetation-land on seasonal land surface temperature on street-level: A study from a campus in Beijing. *Building and Environment*, 262, 111790. (SCI Q1, IF=7.6, 13 citations) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.buildenv.2024.111790
- 4. **Zhang S**, Liu N\*, Ma B, Yan S. (2023). The effects of street environment features on road running: An analysis using crowdsourced fitness tracker data and machine learning. *Environment and planning B: Urban analytics and city science*, 51(2), 529-545. (SSCI Q1, IF=3.1, 34 citations) https://doi.org/10.1177/23998083231185589
- 5. **Zhang S**, Liu N\*, Li W, Yan S. (2022). Umbrella structure building design method via case-based design and statistical analysis of structural morphological parameters. *Journal of Building Engineering*, 45, 103542. (SCI Q1, IF=7.4, <u>9 citations</u>, the article is cited in *Nature Structural & Molecular Biology*) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jobe.2021.103542
- 6. **Zhang S**, Wang Y\*. (2020). Balancing of form and force: research on architectural design strategies based on application of eccentric umbrella structure. *The Architect*, 2020(03), 91-99 (in Chinese, Tier 2 Chinese National Core Journal in Building Science) https://d.wanfangdata.com.cn/periodical/jzs202003013
- 7. **Zhang S**, Wang Y\*. (2020). The historical evolution and contemporary value of umbrella structure: cases study based on the practice in Western Europe and Latin America since the 20th century. **South Architecture**, 2020(06), 22-29 (in Chinese, Tier 3 Chinese National Core Journal in Building Science, 4 citations) https://d.wanfangdata.com.cn/periodical/nfjz202006004
- 8. **Zhang S**, Wang Y\*.(2019). Dynamic exterior sunshade design and shading effect analysis of southeast and southwest facing buildings in Guangzhou. *Building Energy Efficiency*, 47(08), 91-95+100 (in Chinese, Tier 3 Chinese National Core Journal in Building Science, 10 citations) https://d.wanfangdata.com.cn/periodical/fcyyy201908022
- 9. Zhang X, Chen T\*, **Zhang S**, Yuan C, PY Tan. (2025). Toward healthy neighborhood thermal environments: Interpretation of thermal comfort and rapid identification of hotspot areas using image-based metrics and explainable machine learning. **Sustainable Cities and Society**, 106648 (SCI Q1, IF=12, 2 citations) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.scs.2025.106648
- Chen T, Singh V K, Zhang S, Zhang L, Yuan C\*. (2025). A city-scale mapping tool for assessing effects of urban greenery and morphologies on thermal comfort: A case study in Singapore. *Building and Environment*, 113760. (SCI Q1, IF=7.6) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.buildenv.2025.113760
- 11. Li W, Zhou Z\*, **Zhang S**, Feng J. (2022). Study on relationship between shading and outdoor air temperature based on the comparison of two high-rise residential estates with field measurements. **Buildings**, 12(11), 1813.

- (SCI Q2, IF= 3.1, 5 citations) https://doi.org/10.3390/buildings12111813
- 12. Wang Y, Lin M, Xu K, **Zhang S**, Ma H\*. (2021). Energy consumption analysis of glass house using electrochromic window in the subtropical region. *Journal of Engineering, Design and Technology*, 19(1), 203-218. (SCI Q1, IF= 2.7, 5 citations, the article is cited in *Cell Reports Physical Science*) https://doi.org/10.1108/JEDT-12-2019-0348

# • Publications Under Review (Recent research works):

- Zhang S, Chen T, Zhang X, Liu N\*, Yuan C. UBEM driven by localized weather data for addressing urban building energy risks under compound heatwaves and UHI: a Beijing campus case study. Sustainable Cities and Society. (SCI Q1, IF=12, First-round review, originally submitted in August 2025) https://papers.csm.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=5555721
- 2. **Zhang S**, Wu X, Xu P, Liu N\*, Li N\*. Local UHI mitigation and utilization: Urban building energy modeling, simulation, and urban design responses based on localized weather data. *Building Simulation*. (SCI Q1, IF=5.9, First-round review received (minor revision), originally submitted in September 2025) https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=5555862
- 3. Xu P†, Zhao P†, Xia B, Zhao Z, **Zhang S\***, Du J\*. A free-form and structural-redundant timber reciprocal frame configuration: intelligent design, optimization and fabrication. *Nature communications*. (SCI Q1, IF=15.7, Third-round review, originally submitted in September 2024) https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-4799666/v1

### • Manuscripts in Preparation:

- 1. **Zhang S**, Chen T, Liu N, Li N, Yuan C. Planting evergreen and deciduous trees: A study on the balance between cooling effects and radiative heat gains in Beijing's summer and winter.
- 2. **Zhang S**†, Chen T†, Liu N, Li N, Yuan C. Spatial-temporal variations in mobility flow heat risks in China's megacities under heatwave.

### • Theses:

- 1. **Zhang** S. (2025). Design Optimization of Outdoor Thermal Environment and Building Form Layout under Extreme Climate Risks. *Tsinghua University*, PhD thesis, (Excellent PhD Thesis Award, Supervisor: Prof. Nian-xiong Liu)
- 2. **Zhang S**. (2020). Research on Space and Morphology Design of Umbrella Structures Building. **South China** *University of Technology*, M.Arch thesis, (Supervisor: Prof. Yang Wang)

### · Book Chapters:

- 1. Liu N et al. (2021). A data supported object and performance-based design method for green dwellings. *Beijing: Tsinghua University Press* (in Chinese, **Authored Chapter 2**)
- 2. Zhang Y, Liu N, Cheng X et al. (2025). Design Theories and Indicator Framework for High-Quality Green Building. *Beijing: China Architecture Publishing Press* (in Chinese, Co-authored Chapter 6)

#### **PATENTS**

# • Granted Patents:

1. Hao C, **Zhang S**, Shi S, Liu S, Zhao S, Song Y, Chu Y. (2025). High airtight flush doors with replaceable thresholds and construction methods. China: CN113914746A. (Invention patents)

## • Patents Pending:

- 1. Liu N, **Zhang S**, Shi S, Lin B. A simulation method for urban building energy consumption based on localized weather data and photovoltaic systems. (Invention patents, originally submitted in July 2025)
- 2. Liu N, **Zhang S**, Wu X. A method for calculating heat exposure risk considering urban mobility flows and built environment dynamics. (Invention patents, originally submitted in July 2025)
- 3. Liu N, **Zhang S**. A method and device for calculating the height and canopy distribution of urban evergreen and deciduous trees based on GF-7 satellite imagery. (Invention patents, originally submitted in July 2025)

### AWARDS AND GRANTS

• 2025	Excellent PhD Thesis Award
	Tsinghua University, School of Architecture
• 2023	National Postgraduate Scholarship-Joint PhD Training Program
	China Scholarship Council, Grant Amount: SGD 26,400, Grant No. 202306210331
• 2017	Graduate Freshman Scholarship
	South China University of Technology
• 2017	Outstanding Bachelor's Graduate
	Hefei University of Technology

### **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

• 2022-2025	The National Key R&D Program of China, Supervisor as Co-PI (Subproject
	coordinator, Principal Researchers)
	Funding amount: CNY 3,200,000, Grant No.2022YFC3803801
• 2021-2025	The National Natural Science Foundation of China (Key Program), Supervisor as Co-
	PI (Participation)
	Funding amount: CNY 3,000,000, Grant No.52130803
• 2020-2025	The National Natural Science Foundation of China (General Program), Supervisor
	as PI (Participation)
	Funding amount: CNY 580,000, Grant No.52078262
• 2016-2020	The National Key R&D Program of China, Supervisor as PI (Participation)
	Funding amount: CNY 2,690,000, Grant No.2016YFC0700206

### ARCHITECTURE DESIGN

• 2021.02 - 2021.03	Ceramic cultural and creative park	Zibo, Shandong, China
	Plan drawing with CAD	
• 2019.06 - 2019.07	Gymnasium, Yihua Experimental School	Yueyang, Hunan, China
	Schematic design	
• 2019.05 - 2019.06	New campus planning for the Vocational Institute of	Jingdezhen, Jiangxi, China
	Ceramic Arts and Crafts (built)	
	Campus planning, training and laboratory center design, dor	mitory design
• 2019.03 - 2019.05	Urban design competition for the Core Area of the High-	Jingdezhen, Jiangxi, China
	speed Rail Business District (3rd Prize)	
	Concept design and southern building cluster planning	
• 2018.11 - 2018.12	Integrated practical training center, Vocational School	Yantai, Shandong, China
	of Health and Medicine (built)	

	Schematic design	
• 2018.05 - 2019.07	Foreign Languages Vocational College (Built)	Rizhao, Shandong, China
	Detailed construction plan, sunlight analysis report	
• 2017.11 - 2018.01	Jilin University - Zhuhai campus (built)	Zhuhai, Guangdong, China
	Specialist apartments and national academy building design	

### **DESIGN AWARDS**

• 2017	i.FUTURE 1st "Future Cities" International Concept Design	2nd Prize (2/2)
	Competition	Award: CNY 5,000
	China Institute of Urbanization, Zhejiang University	
• 2016	The 6th IDEA-KING International Landscape Planning &	The Excellence
	Design Competition	Award (3/4)
	International Landscape Design Industry Association	
• 2015	Shekou Prince Bay Public Cultural Architecture Design	Top 50 (1/2)
	Competition	
	Young Bird Plan, China	
• 2014	National Green Building Design Competition, Light Green	3rd Prize (2/3)
	Category	
	China Green Building Association	

### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### Invited Talks

• 2024.02 Earth observation and urban morphometrics for urban microclimate research

Department of Architecture, National University of Singapore, Singapore

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

• 2022.02-2022.06	Teaching Assistant, "Building Physics - Thermal Environment" (junior undergraduate
	professional theory course), Tsinghua University
	Assisted with teaching, supervised experiments, and graded assignments (TA stipend provided)
• 2018.09-2018.12	Teaching Assistant, "Expert Studio Design" and "Youth Apartment Design" (second-
	year undergraduate professional design course), South China University of Technology
	Assist in design guidance, calculate grades, and scan design drawings for archiving

### **REVIEWER ASSIGNMENTS**

• Since 2025.07 Sustainable Cities and Society, Cities

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

• Since 2022 The Architectural Society of China (Member)

#### WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

• 2017.11 - 2017.12 The Skycourt and Skygarden: Towards a Vertical City Theory School of Architecture, South China University of Technology

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