Tang Sui

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Education

University of Wisconsin-Madison

08/2024 - Present

M.S./Ph.D. Student in Geography (Remote Sensing & Geospatial Data Science)

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Expected M.S.: 06/2025 Expected Ph.D.: 05/2029

Tongji University, Shanghai, China

09/2019 - 07/2024

Bachelor of Engineering in Surveying and Mapping

GPA: 4.41/5.0

Publications

- 1. **Tang Sui**, Mingda Wu, Meiliu Wu, Zhou Zhang, Qunying Huang, 2024. "BiAU-Net: Wildfire burnt area mapping using bi-temporal Sentinel-2 imagery and U-Net with attention mechanism." *International Journal of Applied Earth Observation and Geoinformation*.
- Songxi Yang, Bo Peng, Tang Sui, Meiliu Wu, Qunying Huang, 2025. "Advancing Self-Supervised Learning for Building Change Detection and Damage Assessment: Unified Denoising Autoencoder and Contrastive Learning Framework." Remote Sensing, 17(15): 2717.
- 3. Mingda Wu, **Tang Sui**, Bo Peng, Manzhu Yu, Qunying Huang, 2024. "A Remote Sensing Spectral Index Guided Bitemporal Residual Attention Network for Wildfire Burn Severity Mapping." *IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations and Remote Sensing*.
- 4. Songxi Yang, Bo Peng, **Tang Sui**, Qunying Huang, 2024. "Self-supervised Pretraining with Edge Guidance for Building Damage Assessment." *Proceedings of the 7th ACM SIGSPATIAL International Workshop on AI for Geographic Knowledge Discovery.*

Conference and Invited Talks

- 1. Tang Sui, Songxi Yang, Qunying Huang, 2025. "SpecSwin: A Hyperspectral Data Simulation Framework for Scalable Geospatial Modeling" 8th ACM SIGSPATIAL International Workshop on GeoSpatial Simulation (GeoSim 2025), Minneapolis, MN, Nov 3–6, 2025.
- 2. **Tang Sui**, Qunying Huang, 2025. "Quasi-Hyperspectral Image: Constructing Hyperspectral Imagery from Multispectral Data Using Convolutional Neural Networks" *2025 Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Meeting*, Detroit, MI, Mar 24-28, 2025.
- 3. Tang Sui, Mingda Wu, Meiliu Wu, Qunying Huang, 2023. "Empowering Urban Wildfire Burnt Area Detection with Deep Learning." Global Smart Cities Summit cum The 3rd International Conference on Urban Informatics (GSCS & ICUI 2023) Conference, Hong Kong, Aug 20-23, 2023. (Invited)
- 4. Qunying Huang, **Tang Sui**, Meiliu Wu, 2023. "Empowering Urban Wildfire Burnt Area Detection with U-Net and Sentinel-2 Imagery." Spatial Data Science Symposium, Online, Sep 5-6, 2023. (Invited)
- 5. Qunying Huang, Mingda Wu, **Tang Sui**, 2023. "Empowering Wildfire Damage Assessment with Bi-temporal Sentinel-2 Data and Deep Learning." 2023 American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Dec 11-15, 2023. (Invited)
- 6. Mingda Wu, Tang Sui, Meiliu Wu, Qunying Huang, 2023. "Pixel-wise Wildfire Burn Severity Classification with Bi-temporal Sentinel-2 Data and Deep Learning." The 6th International Conference on Big Data Technologies (ICBDT 2023) Conference, Sep 22-24, 2023, Qingdao, China, pg.360-364.
- 7. **Tang Sui**, 2022. "Pedestrian Crossing Light Assistance System." 4th International Conference on Electronic Engineering and Informatics (*EEI 2022*), June 24-26, 2022, Guiyang, China, pg.1-5.

Teaching and Mentoring Experience

Teaching Assistant

08/2025 - 12/2025

GEOG 578: GIS Applications, University of Wisconsin–Madison

- Instructed weekly lab sessions (hands-on GIS software training) for undergraduate and graduate students
- Provided individual guidance and office hour support to 20 students
- Assisted in designing lab assignments and evaluating coursework

Teaching Assistant

01/2025 - 06/2025

GEOG170: Our Digital Globe: An Overview of GIScience and its Technology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

• Assisted in lecture preparation, homework grading, and student guidance

Mentor

10/2024 - Present

- Mentoring Ming Wang and Fangchao Qi on the project "Filling Missing Streamflow Data with Graph Neural Network"
- Provide guidance on data processing, model selection, and methodological design

Research Experiences

Wildfire Burnt Area Detection with Deep Learning

07/2022 - Present

Spatial Computing and Data Mining Lab, UW-Madison University

Advisor: Prof. Qunying Huang, UW-Madison University

- Objective: Detecting and mapping the extent of wildfire burnt area using deep learning
- Identified suitable wildfire events, collected datasets for wildfire detection, used Envi for false color band combinations to solve the difficulty of feature extraction, and designed data augmentation methods
- Developed a bi-temporal input model based on U-Net architecture that takes post-fire and pre-fire images as input; designed a custom loss function combination to train the network
- Compared to ESA's public available product (Fire_cci), achieved improvements of more than 10% in overall accuracy, 29% in precision, 19% in F1-score, and 29% in Kappa coefficient

Non-visible Coordinate Measurement System

08/2022 - 12/2022

Advisor: Prof. Haojun Li, Tongji University

- Objective: Developing a high-accuracy measurement system for non-visible conditions using a 4G transportation model
- Designed the framework of a non-visible high-accuracy coordinate measurement system
- Proposed a solution model for coordinate measurement with an auxiliary wire and derived its calculation algorithm; considered various on-site measurement complexities
- Estimated measurement errors by combining meteorological factors, horizontal angle errors, zenith distance errors and the influence of curvature and refraction

Summer Practice

05/2022 - 07/2022

Advisor: Prof. Anrong Dang, Tsinghua University

- Involved in projects like Urban Planning Operators Development, Analysis for Historical and Cultural Cities and Towns
- Learned industry standards, improved software development skills, and gained deeper understanding of spatial databases

Image Processing Pedestrian Recognition Device

12/2021 - 03/2022

Advisor: Prof. Munib Wober, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

- Objective: Designing an easy-to-assemble, energy-efficient follower lighting installation
- Contributed to software design and hardware selection (energy units, sensing units, lighting units, image processing modules)
- Used the Simple-blob operator to design an algorithm for pedestrian detection and location

Internship

Institute of Agricultural Recourses and Regional Planning, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences 07/2021 – 08/2021

Intern of Smart Agriculture Research Office, Beijing, China

- Collated wheat, rice, citrus and oilseed rape cultivation and the local growing cycles of the crops in 11 cities of Hubei Province
- Classified NDVI curves for the 2020 Sentinel image of Xinmin, Liaoning; visually inspected and labeled water bodies, buildings, and other features
- Used Google Earth Engine to analyze and process Sentinel images

College of Surveying and Geo-informatics, Tongji University 08/2021 - 09/2021 & 07/2022 - 08/2022

School Practice

- GNSS Surveying Internship: Used RTK and total station to survey 3D coordinates of lightning rods on the Oriental Pearl Tower and two adjacent buildings
- GIS Internship: Built a 3D map of the school using C# and ArcGIS Engine; implemented functionalities such as overview map, route planning, and building information dissemination
- Engineering Surveying Internship: Analyzed correlation between temperature and track length variation at Guoquan Road Station (Shanghai Metro Line 10) using SPSS and Matlab; developed a temperature correction model

Honors and Awards

- Fourth Place, 2025 Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Meeting, Remote Sensing Special Group Competition (03/2025)
- First Prize, 2022 National College Students Surveying and Mapping Discipline Innovation and Entrepreneurship Intelligent Competition UAV Photogrammetry Virtual Simulation Competition (08/2022)
- First Prize, Tongji University Merit Scholarship (12/2023)
- Second Prize, Tongji University Merit Scholarship (12/2021)
- Second Prize, 12th National College Students Surveying and Mapping Science and Technology Competition (Southern Surveying Cup) Surveying and Mapping Essay Competition (07/2021)
- Third Prize, Tongji University Merit Scholarship (12/2022)
- Third Prize, Tongji University Excellence Cup (12/2022)
- Third Prize, Tongji University Innovation Competition (12/2020)