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EDUCATION

University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida, USA 2019

Ph.D., Marine Geology and Geophysics (Geophysics)

University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China 2014

M.S., Cartography and Geographic Information System (Geodesy)

Wuhan University, Wuhan, Hubei, China 2011

B.Eng., Remote Sensing (*outstanding graduate*)

EMPLOYMENT

California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, USA Nov 2019 – present

Postdoctoral Scholar Research Associate, Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences

Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China Jul 2012 – Jun 2014

Research Assistant, Institute of Remote Sensing and Digital Earth

RESEARCH INTERESTS

SAR / InSAR Algorithm and Tools Development

Geohazards: Earthquakes, Volcanoes, Landslides

Hydro-geodesy: Land Subsidence & Sea Level Rise

Infrastructure Monitoring w/ High Resolution InSAR

TEACHING INTERESTS

Remote Sensing

Satellite Radar Interferometry

Geological Hazards

Applied Geodesy / Geophysics

PUBLICATIONS

[in prep.] **Yunjun, Z.**, Amelung, F., & Aoki, Y., Diverse Volcanic and Anthropogenic Deformation in Kyushu from L-band InSAR Time Series from 1992 to 2019.

[in prep.] **Yunjun, Z.**, Fattahi, H., Brancato, V., Simons, M., Zhu, L., Rosen, P., Absolute Tectonic Displacement Mapping from SAR Offset Time Series: Noise Reduction and Uncertainty Quantification, *Geophysical Research Letters*.

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Ecuador, *Science Advance*, doi:[10.1126/sciadv.abm4261](https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.abm4261).

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- [6] Ge, S., Lin, G., Amelung, F., Okubo, P. G., Swanson, D. A., & **Yunjun, Z.** (2019). The accommodation of the south flank's motion by the Koa'e fault system, Kīlauea, Hawai'i: insights from the June 2012 earthquake sequence. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth*, 124, doi:[10.1029/2018JB016961](https://doi.org/10.1029/2018JB016961).
- [5] Brothelande, E., Amelung, F., **Yunjun, Z.** & Wdowinski, S. (2018), Geodetic evidence for interconnectivity between Aira and Kirishima magmatic systems, Japan, *Scientific Reports*, 8(1), 9811, doi:[10.1038/s41598-018-28026-4](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-018-28026-4).
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- [2] **Yunjun, Z.**, Wan, Z., Xie, C., Shao, Y., Yuan, M. H., Chen, W. & Wang, X. (2015). Deformation analysis of the seawall in Qiantang Estuary with multi-temporal InSAR. *Journal of Remote Sensing*, 19(2):339-354, doi:[10.11834/jrs.20154055](https://doi.org/10.11834/jrs.20154055).
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GRANTS, FEOLLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- NASA Earth and Space Science Fellowship, 2015 - 2018
- Course Travel Grant, International Centre of Theoretical Physics at Trieste, Italy, Oct 2016
- Conference Travel Grant, Earthscope National Meeting at Vermont, USA, Jun 2015
- Course Travel Grant, UNAVCO short course on InSAR Theory and Processing, Aug 2014
- Silver Prize for Undergraduate Science “Challenge Cup”, Hubei Provincial Dept. of Edu., 2011
- National Encouragement Scholarship, Ministry of Education of P. R. China, 2010

OPEN-SOURCE SOFTWARES

- **COMPASS** *2021 - present*
A package for multi-temporal SAR coregistration [in early development].
Role: Developer.
Code: <https://github.com/opera-adt/COMPASS>
- **s1-reader** *2021 - present*
A package to read Sentinel-1 data in burst [in early development].
Role: Developer and maintainer.
Code: <https://github.com/opera-adt/s1-reader>
- **PySolid** *2021 - present*
A Python wrapper for solid to compute solid Earth tides.
Role: Main developer and maintainer.
Code: <https://github.com/insarlab/PySolid>
- **MintPy** *2016 - present*
A Python software for SAR / InSAR time series analysis.
Role: Main developer and maintainer.
Code: <https://github.com/insarlab/MintPy>

OPEN DATASETS

- [6] **Yunjun, Z.**, Amelung, F., & Aoki, Y., (2021). InSAR time-series for the Kirishima volcanic complex and InSAR stack of southern Kyushu from ALOS and ALOS-2 (1.1) [Data set]. *Zenodo*. doi:[10.5281/zenodo.4661725](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4661725), [10.5281/zenodo.4499238](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4499238), [10.5281/zenodo.4499208](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4499208).
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- [1] **Yunjun, Z.**, Amelung, F., & Aoki, Y., (2017). InSAR stack of Kuju volcano in Kyushu, Japan from ALOS ascending track 422 (1.4) [Data set]. *Zenodo*. doi:[10.5281/zenodo.3952917](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3952917)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- UNAVCO short course: InSAR Processing & Analysis (ISCE+; instructor) 2021
Teaching InSAR time series analysis with MintPy and stack processing with ISCE-2
Recording: <https://youtu.be/oCA3EVsYWk0>
Code: <https://github.com/parosen/Geo-SInC/tree/main/UNAVCO2021>
UNAVCO (virtual)
- GE167: Tectonic Geodesy (guest lecturer) 2020
One lecture on InSAR time series analysis
California Institute of Technology
- MGS728: Advanced Seismology (guest lecturer) 2018
One lecture on the introduction of Python programming on geophysics
Code: https://github.com/yunjunz/a_python_guide_to_geophysics
University of Miami
- MGS586/686: Geological Hazards (teaching assistant) 2016 - 2017
Creating and teaching two course projects:
 - Coulomb stress transfer for earthquake triggering via [Coulomb3](#)
 - Volcanic ash hazard forecasting via [Ash3D](#)*University of Miami*
- MGG620: Satellite Radar Interferometry (guest lecturer) 2014
One lecture on the persistent scatterer interferometry
University of Miami

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Joshua Zahner (undergraduate)

2017 - 2019

Project: Google Earth visualization of InSAR time series data, which is now part of the MintPy software (https://mintpy.readthedocs.io/en/latest/google_earth/)

University of Miami (Advisor: Falk Amelung)

Alfredo Terrecò (undergraduate)

2016 - 2018

Project: InSAR time series web viewer (<https://insarmaps.miami.edu>)

University of Miami (Advisor: Falk Amelung)

INVITED TALKS & SEMINARS

- SCEC Community Geodetic Model Workshop, Virtual, Nov 2021.
Recording: <https://youtu.be/SQG7PquayVs>
- South Methodist University, Virtual, Oct 2021
- LIESMARS, Wuhan University, Virtual, Jun 2021
- Geoclub seminar, California Institute of Technology, Virtual, May 2021
- Wuhan University, Wuhan, China, Oct 2018
- China Earthquake Administration, Beijing, China, Feb 2018
- State Key Laboratory of Remote Sensing Science, Beijing, China, Feb 2018

ACADEMIC SERVICE

COMMITTEE

- Organizing committee of [the 2022 NISAR Community Science Workshop](#), 2021 - present
- Committee of the [Caltech Seismo Lab Brown Bag Seminar](#), 2021 - present

REVIEWER

- Earth, Planets and Space
- IEEE Transaction on Geoscience and Remote Sensing
- IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters
- Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth
- Remote Sensing of Environment
- SoftwareX