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## EMPLOYMENT

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Professor, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China	Nov 2023 – present
Associate Professor, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China	Mar 2023 – Oct 2023
Postdoctoral Scholar, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, USA	Nov 2019 – Jan 2023

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D. in Geophysics, University of Miami, Miami, Florida, USA. Advisor: Falk Amelung.	2019
M.S. in Geodesy, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China. Advisor: Yun Shao.	2014
B.Eng. in Remote Sensing, Wuhan University, China ( <i>outstanding graduate</i> )	2011

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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SAR / InSAR Algorithm and Tools Development  
Geohazards: Earthquakes, Volcanoes, Landslides  
Infrastructure Monitoring w/ High Resolution InSAR

## TEACHING INTERESTS

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Satellite Radar Interferometry  
Geological Hazards  
Applied Geodesy / Geophysics

## PUBLICATIONS

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(Group members are bolded; \* represents graduate students)

22. Zhou, J., Lei, Y., Pan, J., Liang, C., **Yunjun, Z.**, Li, W., et al. (2025) Snow Water Equivalent Retrieval and Analysis Over Altay Using 12 d Repeat-Pass Sentinel-1 Interferometry. *The Cryosphere*, 19(11), 5361-5388, doi:[10.5194/tc-19-5361-2025](https://doi.org/10.5194/tc-19-5361-2025).
21. Xu, L., Meng, L., **Yunjun, Z.**, Yang, Y.\*, Wang, Y.\*., Hu, C.\*., et al. (2025). Bimaterial Effect and Favorable Energy Ratio Enabled Supershear Rupture in the 2025 Mandalay Earthquake. *Science*, 390(6772), 476-481, doi:[10.1126/science.ady6100](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.ady6100).
20. Li, B.\*., Lu, P., **Yunjun, Z.**, Nan, Y., Yang, T. (2025). Comparative Analysis of System Performance between F-SCAN and DBF SARs. *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters*, 22, 4014305, doi:[10.1109/LGRS.2025.3623992](https://doi.org/10.1109/LGRS.2025.3623992).
19. Liu, Y.K., **Yunjun, Z.**, & Simons, M. (2025). Inferring Tectonic Plate Rotations From InSAR Time

- Series. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 52(12), e2025GL115137, doi:[10.1029/2025GL115137](https://doi.org/10.1029/2025GL115137).
18. Xu, L., Ji, C., Meng, L., Ampuero, J.P., **Yunjun, Z.**, Mohanna, S., Aoki, Y. (2024). Dual-initiation ruptures in the 2024 Noto earthquake encircling a fault asperity at a swarm edge, *Science*, 385(6711), 871-876, doi:[10.1126/science.adp0493](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.adp0493).
  17. Zhang, B., Hestir, E., **Yunjun, Z.**, Reiter, M. E., Viers, J. H., Schaffer-Smith, D., Sesser, K., Oliver-Cabrera, T. (2024). Automated Reference Points Selection for InSAR Time Series Analysis on Segmented Wetlands in California, *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters*, 21, 4008705, doi:[10.1109/LGRS.2024.3390568](https://doi.org/10.1109/LGRS.2024.3390568).
  16. Yang, Q.\*, **Yunjun, Z.**, Wang, R. Y. (2024). Heterogeneous InSAR Tropospheric Delay Correction Based on Texture Correlation, *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*, 62, 5203814, doi:[10.1109/TGRS.2024.3356749](https://doi.org/10.1109/TGRS.2024.3356749).
  15. Xu, L., Mohanna, S., Meng, L., Ji C, Ampuero, J.P., **Yunjun, Z.**, Hasnain, M., Chu, R., Liang, C. (2023). The overall-subshear and multi-segment rupture of the 2023 Mw7.8 Kahramanmaraş, Turkey earthquake in millennia supercycle, *Communications Earth & Environment*, 4(1), 379, doi:[10.1038/s43247-023-01030-x](https://doi.org/10.1038/s43247-023-01030-x).
  14. Xu, L., **Yunjun, Z.**, Ji, C., Meng, L., Fielding, E., Zinke, R., Bao, H. (2023). Understanding the Rupture Kinematics and Slip Model of the 2021 Mw 7.4 Maduo Earthquake: A Bilateral Event on Bifurcating Faults, *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth*, doi:[10.1029/2022JB025936](https://doi.org/10.1029/2022JB025936).
  13. Stephenson, O. L., Liu, Y. K., **Yunjun, Z.**, Simons, M., Rosen, P., Xu, X. (2022). The Impact of Plate Motions on Long-Wavelength InSAR-Derived Velocity Fields, *Geophysical Research Letters*, 49, e2022GL099835, doi:[10.1029/2022GL099835](https://doi.org/10.1029/2022GL099835).
  12. Gregg, P. M., Zhan, Y., Amelung, F., Geist, D., Mothes, P., Koric, S., & **Yunjun, Z.** (2022). Forecasting mechanical failure and the 26 June 2018 eruption of Sierra Negra Volcano, Galápagos, Ecuador, *Science Advances*, 8(22), doi:[10.1126/sciadv.abm4261](https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.abm4261).
  11. **Yunjun, Z.**, Fattah, H., Pi, X., Rosen, P., Simons, M., Agram, P., & Aoki, Y. (2022). Range Geolocation Accuracy of C-/L-band SAR and Its Implications for Operational Stack Coregistration. *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*, 60, doi:[10.1109/TGRS.2022.3168509](https://doi.org/10.1109/TGRS.2022.3168509).
  10. Aldaajani, T., Simons, M., **Yunjun, Z.**, Bekaert, D., Almalki, K.A., Liu, Y.K. (2022). Using InSAR time series to monitor surface fractures and fissures in the Al-Yutamah Valley, Western Arabia. *Remote Sensing*, 14(8), 1769, doi:[10.3390/rs14081769](https://doi.org/10.3390/rs14081769).
  9. Oliver-Cabrera, T., Jones, C. E., **Yunjun, Z.**, & Simard, M. (2021). InSAR Phase Unwrapping Error Correction for Rapid Repeat Measurements of Water Level Change in Wetlands. *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*, 1-15, doi:[10.1109/TGRS.2021.3108751](https://doi.org/10.1109/TGRS.2021.3108751).
  8. **Yunjun, Z.**, Amelung, F., & Aoki, Y. (2021). Imaging the hydrothermal system of Kirishima volcanic complex with L-band InSAR time series, *Geophysical Research Letters*, 48(11), e2021GL092879, doi:[10.1029/2021GL092879](https://doi.org/10.1029/2021GL092879).

7. **Yunjun, Z.**, Fattah, H., & Amelung, F. (2019). Small baseline InSAR time series analysis: Unwrapping error correction and noise reduction, *Computers and Geosciences*, 133, 104331, doi:[10.1016/j.cageo.2019.104331](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cageo.2019.104331).
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).
4. Zhang, Y. F., Zhang, Y. J., **Yunjun, Z.** & Zhao, Z. (2017). A Two-step Semi-Global Filtering Approach to extract DTM from Middle Resolution DSM, *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters*, 14(9), 1599-1603, doi:[10.1109/LGRS.2017.2725909](https://doi.org/10.1109/LGRS.2017.2725909).
3. Xie, C., Xu, J., Shao, Y., Cui, B., Goel, K., **Yunjun, Z.**, & Yuan, M. (2015). Long term detection of water depth changes of coastal wetlands in the Yellow River Delta based on distributed scatterer interferometry, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, 164, 238-253, doi:[10.1016/j.rse.2015.04.010](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rse.2015.04.010).
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).
1. **Yunjun, Z.**, Xie, C., Shao, Y., & Yuan, M. (2013). Adaptive Spatial Filtering of Interferometric Data Stacking oriented to Distributed Scatterers, *Int. Arch. Photogramm. Remote Sens. Spatial Inf. Sci.*, XL-7/W1, 173-178, doi:[10.5194/isprsarchives-XL-7-W1-173-2013](https://doi.org/10.5194/isprsarchives-XL-7-W1-173-2013).

## **GRANTS, FEOLLOWSHIPS & AWARDS**

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- NASA Earth and Space Science Fellowship, 2015 - 2018
- Course Travel Grant, International Centre of Theoretical Physics, UNESCO, Oct 2016
- 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**

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- **MintPy** 2016 - present  
A Python software for SAR / InSAR time series analysis.  
Role: Main developer and maintainer.  
Code: <https://github.com/insarlab/MintPy>

- **PySolid** 2021 - present  
A Python wrapper for solid to compute solid Earth tides.  
Role: Core developer and maintainer.  
Code: <https://github.com/insarlab/PySolid>
- **COMPASS** 2021 - 2023  
A package for multi-temporal SAR coregistration [in early development].  
Role: Developer.  
Code: <https://github.com/opera-adt/COMPASS>

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- EarthScope InSAR short course GMTSAR and Beyond, Hefei, China 2024 - 2025  
Role: Teach SAR imaging modes and InSAR time series analysis
- EarthScope InSAR short course ISCE+ (instructor) 2021 - 2025  
Role: Teach InSAR time series analysis and stack processing (Recording on [YouTube](#))  
Website: <https://www.earthscope.org/event/2023-insar-isce-short-course/>
- California Institute of Technology GE167: Tectonic Geodesy (guest lecturer) 2020  
Role: One lecture on InSAR time series analysis
- University of Miami MGS728: Advanced Seismology (guest lecturer) 2018  
Role: One lecture on the introduction of Python programming on geophysics  
Code: [https://github.com/yunjunz/a\\_python\\_guide\\_to\\_geophysics](https://github.com/yunjunz/a_python_guide_to_geophysics)
- University of Miami MGS586/686: Geological Hazards (teaching assistant) 2016 - 2017  
Role: Creating and teaching two course projects:
  - a. Coulomb stress transfer for earthquake triggering via [Coulomb3](#)
  - b. Volcanic ash hazard forecasting via [Ash3D](#)
- University of Miami MGG620: Satellite Radar Interferometry (guest lecturer) 2014  
Role: One lecture on the persistent scatterer interferometry

## STUDENT SUPERVISION

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- Yalun Shu (疏亚伦; PhD student) - Co-advise with Robert Wang (王宇) 2025 - present  
Yuxuan Li (李宇轩; PhD student) 2025 - present  
Hongrui Wang (王红睿; PhD student) - Co-advise with Robert Wang (王宇) 2025 - present  
Zhenli Tang (汤振礼; PhD student) 2025 - present

Yingqi Bai (白英琪; PhD student)	2025 - present
Changyang Hu (胡长洋; master student)	2024 - present
Weizhen Lin (蔺威振; master student)	2023 - present
Yidi Wang (王祎笛; PhD student) - Co-advise with Robert Wang (王宇)	2023 - present
Qingyue Yang (杨晴月; PhD candidate) - Co-advise with Robert Wang (王宇)	2023 - 2024
Joshua Zahner (undergrad at Univ. of Miami) - Co-advise with Falk Amelung Project: Google Earth visualization of InSAR time series data ( <a href="https://t.ly/0XZ28">https://t.ly/0XZ28</a> )	2017 - 2019
Alfredo Terreco (undergrad at Univ. of Miami) - Co-advise with Falk Amelung Project: InSAR time series web viewer ( <a href="https://insarmaps.miami.edu">https://insarmaps.miami.edu</a> )	2016 - 2018

## **INVITED TALKS & SEMINARS**

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- Pusan National University, Busan, South Korea, Sep 2024
- Aerospace Info. Tech. & Industry Dev. Conference, Hefei, China, May 2024
- Tongji University, Shanghai, China, May 2024
- Innov. Acad. of Precision Measurement Sci. & Tech., CAS, Wuhan, China, Feb 2024.
- Wuhan University, Virtual, Apr 2022.
- Southern University of Science and Technology, Virtual, Feb 2022.
- SCEC Community Geodetic Model Workshop, Virtual, Nov 2021.
- 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**

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### COMMITTEE

- Chinese InSAR Workshop at Wuhan, session convener, 2024
- AIRCAS Radar Café at Beijing, founder and organizing committee, 2023 – present
- [NISAR Science Community Workshop](#) at Pasadena, organizing committee, 2022
- [Caltech Brown Bag Seminar](#) at Pasadena, organizing committee, 2021-2022

## EDITOR

- Journal of Remote Sensing, Early-Career Editorial Board, 2024

## REVIEWER

Remote Sensing of Environment  
IEEE Trans. Geosci. Remote Sens.  
IEEE Geosci. Remote Sens. Lett.  
Geophysical Research Letters  
J. Geophys. Res. Solid Earth  
Geophysical Journal International  
Journal of Radars

Journal of Geodesy  
Frontiers in Earth Science  
Earth, Planets and Space  
GIScience & Remote Sensing  
SoftwareX  
Volcanica