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Academic Positions

- 2025 – **Assistant Professor**
School of Digital Humanities and Computational Social Sciences, KAIST
- 2024–2025 **Postdoctoral associate**
Department of Linguistics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Education

Degree Programs

- 2019–2024 **Ph.D. in Linguistics – Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
Thesis: *Structural case on adjuncts*
Committee: Adam Albright, Heejeong Ko, David Pesetsky, Norvin Richards
- 2016–2018 **M.A. in Linguistics – Seoul National University**
Thesis: *Embedded topicalization in Korean factive complement clauses: An experimental approach*
Committee: Han-Byul Chung, Heejeong Ko, Seungho Nam
- 2011–2016 **B.A. in Linguistics – Seoul National University**

Non-Degree Programs

- 2022 **Crete Summer School of Linguistics.** Rethymno, Greece.
- 2017 **Linguistic Institute – Linguistic Society of America.** Lexington, KY, USA.

Papers

Articles

- Under Revision A successive-cyclic dependent case account of Korean case-marked adverbials.
- 2024 Honorification as Agree in Korean and Beyond. *Glossa: a journal of general linguistics* 9(1).
<https://doi.org/10.16995/glossa.9565>

Conference Proceedings

- 2024 Positional restriction on case assignment: Evidence from Korean nominal adverbials. In Erdene-Ochir Tumen-Ochir, Julia Sinitsyna, and Shigeru Miyagawa (eds.), *Proceedings of the 17th Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics (WAFSL 17)*: 81–92
- 2023 An economy-based amendment to learning hidden structure with Robust Interpretive Parsing. In Noah Elkins, Bruce Hayes, Jinyoung Jo and Jian-Leat Siah (eds.), *Supplemental Proceedings of the 2022 Annual Meeting on Phonology*. <https://doi.org/10.3765/amp.v10i0.5420>

- 2020 Embedded topicalization in Korean factive complement clauses: An experimental approach. In Shoichi Iwasaki, Susan Strauss, Shin Fukuda, Sun-Ah Jun, Sung-Ock Sohn, and Kie Zuraw (eds.), *Japanese/Korean Linguistics Volume 26*: 213–223.
- 2017 The distribution and interpretation of the Korean topic marker *nun* – a feature-inheritance approach. In *Proceedings of the 2017 Linguistic Society of Korea Summer Conference*: 145-156.

Presentations

Invited & non-refereed presentations

- 2025 Case-marked adverbials and successive-cyclic Dependent Case. Guest lecture for seminar on Korean linguistics. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.
- 2025 Case-marked adverbials and the timing of case evaluation. Invited talk at the Comparative Syntax, Semantics, and Language Acquisition Workshop. Nanzan University Center for Linguistics.
- 2025 Revisiting Successive-cyclic Dependent Case in the context of case-marked adverbials. Invited talk at the Korean Generative Grammar Circle Annual Workshop.
- 2023 Case marking of Korean nominal adverbials correlates with subject position. Syntax Seminar at Seoul National University.

Refereed conference presentations

- 2025 A successive-cyclic dependent case account of adverbial case alternation in Korean passives. The Workshop on Theoretical East Asian Linguistics 14 (TEAL 14).
- 2025 Korean nonactive suffixes *HI* and *eci* are realizations of little *v*. 2025 Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting (LSA 2025).
- 2023 Positional restriction on case assignment: Evidence from Korean nominal adverbials. Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics 17 (WAFL 17).
- 2023 Case marking of Korean nominal adverbials correlates with subject position. The 25th Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar (SICOGG 25).
- 2022 An economy-based amendment to Robust Interpretive Parsing with the GLA. Annual Meeting on Phonology (AMP 2022).
- 2022 Korean addressee honorification as Cyclic Agree at Force: Comparison with Magahi. The 45th Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW 45).
- 2019 Embedded topicalization in Korean factive complement clauses. 93rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA).
- 2018 Embedded topicalization in Korean factive clauses and islands: Experimental approach. The 26th Japanese/Korean Linguistics Conference (J/K 26).
- 2017 The distribution and interpretation of the Korean topic marker *nun* – a feature-inheritance approach. The Linguistic Society of Korea Summer Conference.

Teaching Experience

Instructor of record

- 2025 Advanced Syntax (MIT 24.952)
Co-instructors: Elise Newman, David Pesetsky
- 2025 Special Seminar: Advanced Workshop in Syntax and Semantics (MIT 24.S95)
Co-instructor: Danny Fox

Teaching Assistantships

- 2023 Introduction to Linguistics (MIT 24.900)
Instructor: Donca Steriade
- 2022 Introduction to Phonology (Crete Summer School of Linguistics)
Instructor: Douglas Pulleyblank
- 2022 Language and Structure II: Syntax (MIT 24.902)
Instructor: Sabine Iatridou
- 2021 Introduction to Linguistics (MIT 24.900)
Instructor: Adam Albright

Services

Academic Services

Ad-hoc reviewing for journals

Linguistic Inquiry, Glossa, Journal of East Asian Linguistics, Language Research

Conference reviews

CLS (2024), NELS (2023)

Departmental Services

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Fall 2021 – Spring 2022. Colloquium co-organizer
Fall 2020 – Spring 2021. Syntax Square (Reading group) co-organizer

Seoul National University

2017. Research Assistant for the World-leading University Fostering Program.
- Assistant to organizing committee of the 19th Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar (SICOGG)
 - Collected and compiled data for the departmental consulting project

Skills

Languages

Korean (native), English (fluent), French (advanced), German (beginner)

Computational

Python, L^AT_EX, R, Perl