Seul Lee

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interest is mainly in developing an automated discovery framework for organic molecules, natural products, or proteins. I especially focus on molecule generation that can bridge the gap between real-world drug discovery and automatic drug discovery. I am currently interested in the following topics:

- AI for science
- Drug discovery
- Generative models
- Graph representation learning

EDUCATION

KAIST, Seoul, South Korea

Ph.D. student, Graduate School of AI

Sep. 2022 - present

- Advisor: Prof. Sung Ju Hwang
- Area of study: Machine learning
- Expected graduation date: Aug. 2026

M.S., Graduate School of AI

Mar. 2021 - Aug. 2022

- Advisor: Prof. Sung Ju Hwang
- Area of study: Machine learning
- GPA: 4.20/4.3

B.S., Aerospace Engineering

Mar. 2015 - Aug. 2019

- Double Major in Biological Sciences
- GPA: 4.18/4.3

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

NVIDIA Research

Feb. 2024 - Aug. 2024

- Location: Santa Clara, CA, US (remote)
- Position: Research intern
- Research topic: Generative AI for science

Kimlab & The Matter Lab, UofT

Jun. 2023 - Jun. 2023

- Location: Toronto, Canada
- Position: Visiting researcher
- Host: Prof. Philip M. Kim & Prof. Alán Aspuru-Guzik

AITRICS Jan. 2021 - Feb. 2021

• Location: Seoul, South Korea

• Position: Research intern

• Research topic: Docking-optimized molecule generation using RL

Opto-Electro-Robotics Lab, KAIST

Mar. 2019 - Aug. 2019

• Location: Daejeon, South Korea

• Position: Undergraduate researcher

• Advisor: Prof. Jung-ryul Lee

• Research topic: Laser pulse-echo inspection with robot arms

INVITED TALKS

- Exploring Chemical Space with Score-based OOD Generation, Nov. 2023 Hyundai 2023 CTO AI Conference
- Exploring Chemical Space with Score-based OOD Generation, **Jun. 2023** University of Toronto
- Score-based Generative Modeling of Graphs via the SDEs, LoGaG: Learning on Graphs and Geometry Reading Group
- Learning with Graph-structured Data, POSTECH Jul. 2022
- Score-based Graph Generation for Material Design, Jun. 2022 Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology (SAIT)

Conference Publications

[c5] A Simple and Scalable Representation for Graph Generation

Yunhui Jang, Seul Lee, and Sungsoo Ahn,

International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024.

[c4] Exploring Chemical Space with Score-based Out-of-distribution Generation

Seul Lee, Jaehyeong Jo, and Sung Ju Hwang,

International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2023.

[c3] Score-based Generative Modeling of Graphs via the System of Stochastic Differential Equations

Jaehyeong Jo*, **Seul Lee***, and Sung Ju Hwang (*: equal contribution), International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), **2022**.

[c2] Edge Representation Learning with Hypergraphs

Jaehyeong Jo*, Jinheon Baek*, **Seul Lee***, Dongki Kim, Minki Kang, and Sung Ju Hwang (*: equal contribution),

Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021.

[c1] Hit and Lead Discovery with Explorative RL and Fragment-based Molecule Generation

Soojung Yang, Doyeong Hwang, **Seul Lee**, Seongok Ryu, and Sung Ju Hwang,

Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021.

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

[j1] Robotic Scanning Technology for Laser Pulse-Echo Inspection

Seul Lee, Jong-min Hyun, Hasan Ahmed, and Jung-ryul Lee, Electronics Letters, 2020.

WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

[w4] Protein Representation Learning by Capturing Protein Sequence-Structure-Function Relationship

Eunji Ko*, **Seul Lee***, Minseon Kim*, Dongki Kim, and Sung Ju Hwang (*: equal contribution),

International Conference on Learning Representation Machine Learning for Genomics Explorations (ICLR MLGenX) Workshop (Spotlight), 2024.

[w3] Drug Discovery with Dynamic Goal-aware Fragments

Seul Lee, Seanie Lee, Kenji Kawaguchi, and Sung Ju Hwang, International Conference on Learning Representation Machine Learning for Genomics Explorations (ICLR MLGenX) Workshop (Spotlight), 2024.

[w2] A Simple and Scalable Representation for Graph Generation

Yunhui Jang, **Seul Lee**, and Sungsoo Ahn,

Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems New Frontiers in Graph Learning (NeurIPS GLFrontiers) Workshop, 2023.

[w1] Exploring Chemical Space with Score-based Out-of-distribution Generation

Seul Lee, Jaehyeong Jo, and Sung Ju Hwang,

International Conference on Learning Representations Machine Learning for Drug Discovery (ICLR MLDD) Workshop (Oral), 2023.

PREPRINTS

[p3] Protein Representation Learning by Capturing Protein Sequence-Structure-Function Relationship

Eunji Ko*, **Seul Lee***, Minseon Kim*, Dongki Kim, and Sung Ju Hwang (*: equal contribution),

Under Review, 2024.

[p2] Drug Discovery with Dynamic Goal-aware Fragments

Seul Lee, Seanie Lee, Kenji Kawaguchi, and Sung Ju Hwang, Under Review, 2024.

[p1] READRetro: Natural Product Biosynthesis Planning with Retrieval-Augmented Dual-View Retrosynthesis

Seul Lee*, Taein Kim*, Min-Soo Choi, Yejin Kwak, Jeongbin Park, Sung Ju Hwang, and Sang-Gyu Kim (*: equal contribution),

Under Review, 2024.

REVIEWER SERVICES

- 2024 International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)
- 2022, 2023, 2024 International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)
- 2021, 2023 Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)
- 2023 Learning on Graphs Conference (LoG)
- 2023 NeurIPS AI4Science Workshop
- 2023 NeurIPS Generative AI & Biology Workshop
- 2023 ICLR ML4Materials Workshop

Honors and Awards

• Boeing Undergraduate Scholarship

Feb. 2018 - Aug. 2019

• KAIST Presidential Fellowship (KPF)

Mar. 2017 - Aug. 2019

• National Science and Engineering Scholarship

Mar. 2015 - Feb. 2019

References

• Prof. Sung Ju Hwang, KAIST E-mail: sjhwang82@kaist.ac.kr