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## News (Update: 05/23/2023)

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As an researcher(Ph.D Candidate) with a strong background in AI, I am actively seeking a position to further advance my research in this field. My expected graduation date is in September 2024, although it is not yet confirmed. I specialize in developing and optimizing deep learning models, with a focus on topics such as **time-series modeling**(temporal domain), **Tabular data modeling**(static domain) and **generalization**. If you want to reach out to me, feel free to email us at yoontae@unist.ac.kr

## Education

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<b>Ulsan National Institute of Science &amp; Technology(UNIST)</b> Ph.D in Industrial Engineering <i>Advisor: Yongjae Lee</i>	<b>Ulsan, South Korea</b> <i>Mar. 2020 to Present</i>
<b>Sangmyung University</b> B.S. in Economics & Mathematics (Double Major)	<b>Seoul, South Korea</b> <i>Feb. 2019</i>

## Experience

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<b>Shinhan Investment</b> Industry-Academic Cooperation External Researcher	<b>Seoul, South Korea</b> <i>Jan. 2021 to Jun 2021</i>
<b>Shinhan Bank</b> Contract Worker in Shinhan Big Data Center Project: Advancement of Peer Group Consulting System Algorithm	<b>Seoul, South Korea</b> <i>Jan. 2019 to Feb. 2019</i>

## Research Keywords & Core Qualifications

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**Temporal data mining**  
Time-series forecasting  
Time-series representation  
Temporal domain generalization

**Deep Learning**  
Self- and Semi-supervised learning  
Tabular data modeling

**Finance**  
Household finance

**Optimization**  
Convex optimization

## Awards

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<b>Finda</b> Predictive analytics for loan applications with app usability data, top 7 among 200 team.	Dec. 2022
<b>Samsung AI Challenge</b> Materials discovery competition, top 10% among 250 team.	Sep. 2022

<b>LG AI Research</b>	Predicting antenna performance of autonomous sensors, top 4% among 1768 team.	Sep. 2022
<b>Ministry of Science and ICT</b>	Sound event classification in water pipe, top 4% among 152 team.	Mar. 2022
<b>Statistics Korea</b>	Household financial health checkup using artificial intelligence model, 3rd	Sep. 2020
<b>DB Finance &amp; Economics</b>	A Study on the estimation of apartment price index, 3rd	Dec. 2019
<b>Shinhan Bank</b>	Development of financial index using financial data, 2nd	Dec. 2018

## Grant

<b>National Research Foundation of Korea</b>	Ph.D. Fellowship, USD 30,000	Jun. 2022 to Jun. 2024
<b>Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology</b>	Fully Funded Scholarships	Mar. 2020 to Present

## Publication

1. Kyunghbin Kim, **Yoontae Hwang**, Dongcheol Lim, Suhyeon Kim, Junghye Lee, Yongjae Lee, “*Diagnosis and Prescription for Household Financial Health via Risk Information-embedded Hierarchical AutoEncoder and Its Post-hoc Analysis*”, Quantitative Finance, 2023, *Acceptance Rate  $\approx$  23% (Co-First)*.
2. **Yoontae Hwang**, Yongjae Lee, Fabozzi, Frank J. “*Identifying Heterogeneity of Households via Deep Clustering*”, Annual of Operation Research, 2022, *Acceptance Rate  $\approx$  33%, (First)*.
3. **Yoontae Hwang**. “*A Study on the Estimation of Apartment Price Index: Focused on the Machine Learning Algorithm*”, Journal of Money & Finance, 2019, *Domestic, (First)*.

## Submitted paper

1. **Yoontae Hwang**, Youngbin Lee, Yongjae Lee, “*STCC: Semi-Supervised Learning for Tabular Datasets with Continuous and Categorical Variables*”, Neurips 2023, Submit, *Acceptance Rate  $\approx$  20%, (First)*.
2. Junpyo Park, **Yoontae Hwang**, Jangho Kim, Yongjae Lee, Fabozzi, Frank J., “*Heterogeneous Trading Behaviors of Individual Investors*”, Emerging Markets Review, Submit, *Acceptance Rate $\approx$  11%(Co-First)*.
3. **Yoontae Hwang**, Junpyo Park, Yongjae Lee, Dong-Young Lim, “*Predicting price movement with stop-loss adjusted labels*”, Financial Research Letters, Submit, *Acceptance Rate  $\approx$  24% (First)*.
4. Jaeho Kim, Seok-ju Hanhn, **Yoontae Hwang**, Junghye Lee, Seulki Lee, “*CAFO: Channel Attention Feature Orthogonalization for Explaining Multivariate Time Series Classification*”, Neurips 2023, Submit, *Acceptance Rate  $\approx$  20% (Third)*

## Working paper

1. **Yoontae Hwang**, “*Household Finance 2.0*”, Wip, **(PhD Thesis)**
2. “*Rethinking and Improving Long-term Time Series Forecasting*”, Wip.
3. “*SimStock: A Model for Representing Similar Stocks*”, Wip
4. “*Future Testing: Realistic asset path simulations for derivatives pricing*”, Wip
5. “*Diagnosis and Prescription for Household Financial Health*”, Wip

## Project

1. **National Research Foundation of Korea**  
Personalized Asset Management via Household Financial Health Index  
Jun. 2022 to Jun 2024  
*Principal Investigator*

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| 2. <b>Korea Energy Economics Institute</b><br>Understanding of the Machine Learning Method for DR market       | Aug. 2022 to Oct. 2022<br><i>Researcher</i> |
| 3. <b>Korea Energy Economics Institute</b><br>Development of Deep Learning Models for Energy Demand Forecast   | Oct. 2021 to Nov. 2021<br><i>Researcher</i> |
| 4. <b>National Research Foundation of Korea</b><br>Big data analysis of individual investor's trading patterns | May. 2021 to Apr. 2024<br><i>Researcher</i> |

## Professional Services

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**Journal Reviewer:** Financial Research Letters <https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/finance-research-letters>

## Teaching, Mentoring & Tutorials

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Teaching Assistant: IE412, AI for Finance	UNIST Spring 2023
Teaching Assistant: IE412, AI for Finance	UNIST & KAIST Spring 2022
Teaching Assistant: IE312, Time-Series Analysis	UNIST Fall 2021
Teaching Assistant: IE202, Investment Science	UNIST Spring 2020
Tutorials: UNIST-POSTECH-KAIST Data Science Competition	Fall 2021

## Invited talks

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**AI Factory:** Latest research trends in long term time-series forecasting, PDF files: <https://lnkd.in/gdY3hbbp> Sep 2022

## Patents

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Feature Importance Explainer of Multivariate Time series Data based on Image Conversion, 2022 (granted, Grant.no UTP22260KR-00)

## Reference

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## Collaborative Researcher

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