Juhyung Lee

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- AI Solutions for Wireless Communication Systems
- On-Device AI/LLM

EXPERIENCE

• Nokia
• $Principal\ Researcher,\ AI/ML$

Sunnyvale, CA, USA Aug. 2024 - Present

Santa Clara, CA, USA

- Actively contributed to Wi-Fi standardization (e.g., , IEEE 802.11bn and AIML TIG).
- Developed an On-Device LLM PoC for PHY/MAC layer enhancement.
- Managed the Wi-Fi 802.11 LLM Assistant project as PM.

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA, USA

Postdoctoral Researcher, Wireless Devices and Systems Group (Head: <u>Prof. Andreas Molisch</u>) Apr. 2022 - Aug. 2024

Site-Specific Channel Modeling for RAN Optimization [Github1] [Github2]

- \circ Developed an fast (~ 1 [msec]) and accurate (RMSE ~ -14 [dB]) Digital Twin Network simulation framework [1, 2]
- o Designed optimization methods for Mobility Management, Localization, and BS deployment for O-RAN [3]

On-Device AI Communication [Github]

- \circ Fine-tuned a pre-trained LLM as a neural lossy source coder in E2E Link-Level Simulation, integrating with 5G-NR PHY functions [4, 5]
- o Developed a compression & quantization method for AI-to-AI comm.; Tested in Sionna with 5G-NR setup

Samsung Research America

Dallas, USA

AI/Wireless Senior Research Engineer

Dec. 2023 - Jan. 2024 (Seasonal)

Generative Model for Channel Feedback Compression in mMIMO System [Github]

 \circ Developed a low-complexity generative model for mMIMO channel prediction and designed a channel feedback (e.g., DMRS, SRS) compression scheme based on 3GPP TR-38.843 [6]

Korea University

Seoul, Korea

Research Professor, Research Institute for Information & Communication

Sep. 2021 - Feb. 2023

Reinforcement Learning-based PHY/MAC Aceess Protocol Design for LEO Satellite Networks

• Designed and tested 3GPP-compatible PHY/MAC access protocols for mobility management (e.g., handover [7], RACH [8, 9]) in System-Level Simulation (3GPP TR-38.821).

SKILLS

- Programming: Python, C/C++, MATLAB, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Swift
- ML Method.: LLM (LLaMA3, Phi-4), Generative (Diffusion), Vision (DeepLabV3+), Time (Transformer), RL. (PPO)
- Tool & Library: Link- & System-Level Sim. (MATLAB-5G, Sionna), Ray-Tracing (WirelessInSite, SionnaRT)

EDUCATION

Korea University

Seoul, Korea

Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Eng. (Awarded by Research Excellence)

Mar. 2016 - Aug. 2021

- RAN Optimization: Developed DRL-based radio resource scheduling [10, 11, 12], initial access [8], handover [7], and beam management [13] for high-mobility networks
- ∘ [Demo] Radio-over-FSO (RoFSO): Developed a RoFSO system integrating 802.11 RF USRP and laser-based optical transceivers; Demonstrated ~20 [Gbps] transmission over with ~100 [m] outdoor [demo-1] [demo-2]

Korea University

Seoul, Korea

B. Enq. in Electrical and Electronic Enq. (Awarded by National Sci. & Tech. Scholarship) Mar. 2011 – Feb. 2016

- A Scalable and Generalizable Large-Scale Channel Prediction (aka. Digital Twin Networks) [Github]
 - Built a channel measurement dataset using Ray-Tracing simulations (WirelessInsite, Sionna-RT) on real maps (e.g., USC, UCLA, and Boston area)
 - Implemented a supervised-learning framework, using Computer Vision techniques, to predict radio maps in mmWave/THz communications [1, 14]
 - 1st-rank in IEEE ICASSP Radio Map Prediction Challenge [2], with the highest accuracy (RMSE ~ -14 [dB])
 - \circ Achieved ~ 31 [dB] RMSE gain compared to UMi channel model (3GPP TR-38.901)

• LLM-based Context-Aware Handover (Mobility Management)

- Developed a context-aware handover method using LLM (e.g., LLaMA3, Phi-3), fine-tuned with context data (e.g., signal strength, speed, location).
- Achieved 93 % prediction accuracy in Zero-Shot Learning, outperforming legacy handover methods.

• Generative Model for Channel Feedback Compression [Github]

- \circ Designed a novel low complexity Generative Model (e.g., , Diffusion, VQ-VAE) for channel feedback compression
- Demonstrated high channel feedback compression efficiency ($\sim \frac{1}{8}$), retaining up to NMSE ~ -15 [dB] [6]

Honors and Awards

- 1st-Rank, IEEE ICASSP Signal Processing Grand Challenges, Jun. 2023 [2]
- Best Paper Award, *IEEE ICTC*, Oct. 2022 [15]
- Best Paper Award, IEEE ICTC, Oct. 2021 [16]
- Grand Prize, Graduate Research Excellence Award, Korea University, Feb. 2021
- Travel Grant, IEEE GLOBECOM, Dec. 2020;
- Bronze Prize, IEEE Seoul Section Student Paper Award, Dec. 2020
- Best Paper Award, Korea Institute of Commun., and Info. Sciences, Feb. 2020
- Full Tuition Scholarship (B. Eng.), National Science & Technology Scholarship, Korea, 2011

PATENTS

- [USA #2 pending] **J.-H. Lee** and Y.-C. Ko, "Deep reinforcement learning-based random access method for low earth orbit satellite network and terminal for the operation", US20230189353A1 (06/15/2023)
- [USA #1 pending] J.-M. Kim, **J.-H. Lee**, and Y.-C. Ko, "Apparatus based on wireless optical communication", US20230083544A1 (03/16/2022)
- [Korea #3] B.-H. Lee, J.-H. Lee, and Y.-C. Ko, "Minimum transmission rate maximization using power control and association in ground base station-to-UAV communication", 10-2508442 (03/06/2023)
- [Korea #2] J.-M. Kim, **J.-H. Lee**, and Y.-C. Ko, "Apparatus based on wireless optical communication", 10-2506809 (03/02/2023)
- [Korea #1] J.-H. Lee, J. Lee, "Method and apparatus for uploading or downloading file based on tag," 10-2014-0128406 (01/26/2016)

Professional References

- Prof. Andrea F. Molisch: Professor (IEEE & AAAS Fellow), University of Southern California, molisch@usc.edu
- Dr. Hao Chen: Manager, Samsung Research America, hao.chen1@samsung.com
- Prof. Young-Chai Ko: Professor, Korea University, koyc@korea.ac.kr

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS [LINK FOR FULL-LIST]

- [1] J.-H. Lee* and A. F. Molisch, "A scalable and generalizable pathloss map prediction," *IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, 2024. [paper] [code].
- [2] J.-H. Lee*, A. F. Molisch, and et al., "PMNet: Large-scale channel prediction system for radio map prediction challenge," in *IEEE International Conf. on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, 2023. [1st-Rank in ML Competition] [code].
- [3] J.-H. Lee and A. F. Molisch, "AutoBS: Autonomous base station deployment framework with reinforcement learning and digital twin network," arXiv preprint arXiv:2502.19647 [cs.IT], 2025. [paper] [code].
- [4] J.-H. Lee*, D.-H. Lee, J. Lee, and J. Pujara, "Integrating pre-trained language model with physical layer communications," *IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, 2024. [paper] [code].
- [5] J.-H. Lee*, D.-H. Lee, E. Sheen, T. Choi, and J. Pujara, "Seq2seq-sc: End-to-end semantic communication systems with pre-trained language model," in *Asilomar Conf. on Signals, Systems, and Computers*, 2023. [paper] [code].
- [6] J.-H. Lee, J. Lee, and A. F. Molisch, "Generative vs. predictive models in massive MIMO channel prediction," arXiv preprint arXiv:2411.16971, 2024. [paper] [code].
- [7] J.-H. Lee*, A. F. Molisch, and et al., "Handover protocol learning for LEO satellite networks: Access delay and collision minimization," *IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, 2024. [paper].
- [8] J.-H. Lee*, H. Seo, J. Park, M. Bennis, and Y.-C. Ko, "Learning emergent random access protocol for LEO satellite networks," *IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, 2023. [paper].
- [9] J.-H. Lee*, H. Seo, J. Park, M. Bennis, Y.-C. Ko, and J. Kim, "Random access protocol learning in LEO satellite networks via reinforcement learning," in *Proc. IEEE Vehicular Technology Conf. (VTC)*, 2022. [Invited Paper].
- [10] J.-H. Lee*, J. Park, M. Bennis, and Y.-C. Ko, "Integrating LEO satellites and multi-UAV reinforcement learning for hybrid FSO/RF non-terrestrial networks," *IEEE Trans. Veh. Technol.*, 2022.
- [11] J.-H. Lee*, J. Park, M. Bennis, and Y.-C. Ko, "Integrating LEO satellite and UAV relaying via reinforcement learning for non-terrestrial networks," in *Proc. IEEE Global Commun. Conf. (GLOBECOM)*, 2020. [Travel Grant].
- [12] J.-H. Lee*, K.-H. Park, Y.-C. Ko, and M.-S. Alouini, "Spectral-efficient network design for high-altitude platform station networks with mixed RF/FSO system," *IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, 2022.
- [13] Y. Lee, J.-H. Lee*, and Y.-C. Ko, "Beamforming optimization for IRS-assisted mmWave V2I communication systems via reinforcement learning," *IEEE Access*, 2022.
- [14] J.-H. Lee*, A. F. Molisch, and et al., "PMNet: Robust pathloss map prediction via supervised learning," in *Proc. IEEE Global Commun. Conf. (GLOBECOM)*, 2023.
- [15] J.-H. Lee*, A. F. Molisch, and et al., "Reinforcement learning empowered massive IoT access in LEO-based non-terrestrial networks," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. on Inf. and Commun. Techn. Conv.*, 2022. [Best Paper Award].
- [16] J.-H. Lee* and Y.-C. Ko, "Optimization for LEO satellite-ground integrated networks via deep reinforcement learning," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. on Inf. and Commun. Techn. Conv.*, 2021. [Best Paper Award].