# Juhyung Lee

[Linkedin] [Github] [Google Scholar] [Website]

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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

### EXPERIENCE

Nokia

Sunnyvale, CA, USA

Santa Clara, CA, USA

Principal Researcher, AI/ML

Aug. 2024 - Present

- o Developed an on-device LLM PoC (Llama3, Phi4) for cross-layer (Application ↔ PHY/MAC) optimization; applied fixed-point quantization (GGUF) and achieved near real-time inference on MacBook Pro. [1] [Github] [Demo]
- $\circ~$  Lead LLM RAG Assistant for 802.11 Wi-Fi docs
- Active in Wi-Fi standardization (e.g., , IEEE 802.11bn and AIML TIG)

## University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA, USA

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

## On-Device Semantic Communication [Github]

- o Fine-tuned a pre-trained LLM as a neural source coder, integrated into Link-Level simulator (Nvidia Sionna) [2, 3]
- $\circ~$  Developed a compression & quantization for AI-to-AI comm.; Tested in 5G-NR PHY setup

## Site-Specific Channel Modeling for RAN Optimization [Github-1] [Github-2]

- $\circ$  Developed an fast ( $\sim 1$  [msec]) and accurate (RMSE  $\sim -14$  [dB]) Digital Twin Network framework [4, 5, 6]
- o Designed optimization methods for Mobility Management, Localization, and BS deployment for O-RAN

## 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 low-complexity generative model for mMIMO channel feedback (e.g., DMRS, SRS) compression based on 3GPP TR-38.843 [7]

## Korea University

Seoul, Korea

Research Professor, Research Institute for Information & Communication

Sep. 2021 - Feb. 2023

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

• Designed and tested 3GPP-compatible PHY/MAC access protocols for mobility management (e.g., RACH [8, 9], handover [10]) in System-Level Simulation (3GPP TR-38.821).

#### SKILLS

- Languages & Frameworks: Python, MATLAB, C/C++, Swift; PyTorch, CoreML, TensorFlow Lite
- AI/ML Expertise: LLM (Llama3, Phi4, Gemma3, RAG, LoRA, DPO; DRL (PPO); Generative (Diffusion, VAE); Quantization (GGUF, AWQ)
- Wireless & Simulation: MATLAB (5G Toolbox), Nvidia (Sionna), Apple (CoreWLAN), Remcom (WirelessInSite)

#### **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 initial access [8, 9], handover [10], radio resource scheduling [11, 12, 13], and beam management [14] 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 [15, 16] [Demo-1] [Demo-2]

#### Korea University

Seoul, Korea

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

- On-Device LLM-based Context-Aware Handover (Wi-Fi Roaming) [Github] [Demo-1] [Demo-2]
  - Developed context-aware handover on Macbook Pro using on-device LLM inference (Llama3, Phi4); used
    Chain-of-Thought prompting, post-training (SFT, DPO, ORPO), and quantization (GGUF, AWQ) leveraging context data (location, time) [1]
- LLM-Based Neural Source Coding: Integrating Pre-Trained LLM with Link-Level Simulator [Github]
  - Developed a framework integrating pre-trained LLM (BART) with 5G-NR link-level simulator (NVIDIA Sionna), utilizing a compression technique (VQ-VAE)
  - Demonstrated the framework in 5G-NR scenario (Setup: MIMO-OFDM; Polar Code; QAM) [3]
  - $\circ$  Achieved  $\sim 50\%$  compression in source data, retaining high robustness under 3GPP CDL-{A~E} channel models.
- Large-Scale Channel Prediction (aka. Digital Network Twins) [Github]
  - 1st-rank in IEEE ICASSP Radio Map Prediction Challenge [5], with the highest accuracy (RMSE  $\sim -14$  [dB])
  - Created a channel measurement dataset using ray-tracing simulations (WirelessInsite, Sionna-RT) across real-world locations (USC, UCLA, Boston); implemented an ML-based site-specific channel prediction framework [6]
  - $\circ$  Achieved  $\sim 31$  [dB] RMSE gain compared to UMi channel model (3GPP TR-38.901)
- Generative Model for Channel Feedback Compression [Github]
  - o Designed a low-complexity Generative Model (e.g., Diffusion, VQ-VAE) for CSI compression for mMIMO [7]
  - Demonstrated high channel feedback compression efficiency ( $\sim \frac{1}{8}$ ), retaining up to NMSE  $\sim -15$  [dB]

#### Honors and Awards

- 1st-Rank, IEEE ICASSP Signal Processing Grand Challenges, Jun. 2023 [5]
- Best Paper Award, IEEE ICTC, Oct. 2022 [17]
- Best Paper Award, IEEE ICTC, Oct. 2021 [18]
- 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, Y. Lu, and K. Doppler, "On-device LLM for context-aware Wi-Fi roaming," to be presented at ICML25. [paper] [code] [Demo-1] [Demo-2].
- [2] 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].
- [3] 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].
- [4] J.-H. Lee and A. F. Molisch, "AutoBS: Autonomous base station deployment with reinforcement learning and digital network twins," arXiv preprint arXiv:2502.19647. [paper] [code].
- [5] 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].
- [6] J.-H. Lee\* and A. F. Molisch, "A scalable and generalizable pathloss map prediction," *IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, 2024. [paper] [code].
- [7] 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].
- [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\*, A. F. Molisch, and et al., "Handover protocol learning for LEO satellite networks: Access delay and collision minimization," *IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, 2024. [paper].
- [11] 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.
- [12] 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].
- [13] 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.
- [14] Y. Lee, J.-H. Lee\*, and Y.-C. Ko, "Beamforming optimization for IRS-assisted mmWave V2I communication systems via reinforcement learning," IEEE Access, 2022.
- [15] J.-M. Kim, J.-H. Lee\*, and et al., "Experimental demonstration of RoFSO transmission combining WLAN standard and WDM-FSO over 100m distance," in *IEEE Conf. on Comput. Commun. Workshop (INFOCOM-Demo)*, May 2022.
- [16] J.-M. Kim, J.-H. Lee\*, and Y.-C. Ko, "WLAN standard-based Non-Coherent FSO transmission over 100m indoor and outdoor environments," in *IEEE Conf. on Comput. Commun. Workshop (INFOCOM-Demo)*, May 2021.
- [17] 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].
- [18] 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].