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General intelligence in language and robotics

Education

CS Department at the Courant Institute, NYU	<i>Sep 2025 – Present</i>
PhD, Research in world model, language and robotics	New York, NY
Kim Jaechul Graduate School of AI, KAIST	<i>Feb 2023 – Aug 2025</i>
MS, Research in planning and reasoning of LLM	Seoul, South Korea
Department of Mathematical Sciences, KAIST	<i>Feb 2017 – Aug 2022¹</i>
BS in Mathematics and Computer Science (Double Major)	Daejeon, South Korea
Gyeonggi Science High School for the Gifted	<i>Feb 2014 – Dec 2016</i>
Mathematics major	Suwon, South Korea

Research Experience

Config Intelligence	<i>Mar 2025 – Sep 2025</i>
Research intern, Better policy model for robotics	Seoul, South Korea
KAIST AI Research Intern (KAIRI)	<i>Mar 2022 – Feb 2023</i>
Research intern, Zero-shot instruction following language models	Seoul, South Korea

Publications

* denotes equal contributions. See Google Scholar or Semantic Scholar for the full publications.

Preprint:

- [P2] **Doyoung Kim***, Jaehyeok Doo*, Minjoon Seo. “TSLM: Tree Structured Language Modeling for Divergent thinking.” **Under review at ICLR 2026**.
- [P1] **Doyoung Kim**, Jongwon Lee, Jinho Park, Jaehyeok Doo, Minjoon Seo. “How language models extrapolate outside the training data: A case study in Textualized Gridworld.” NeurIPS Compositional Learning Workshop 2024. **Under review at ICLR 2026**.

Peer-Reviewed Conference Papers:

- [C8] Hyeonbin Hwang, **Doyoung Kim**, Seungwon Kim, Seonghyeon Ye, Minjoon Seo. “Self-Explore to Avoid the Pit: Improving the Reasoning Capabilities of Language Models with Fine-grained Rewards.” EMNLP Findings, 2024.
- [C7] Hyunji Lee*, **Doyoung Kim***, Jihoon Jun, Sejune Joo, Joel Jang, Kyoung-Woon On, Minjoon Seo. “Semiparametric Token-Sequence Co-Supervision.” ACL, 2024.
- [C6] Hyunji Lee, Sejune Joo, Chaeun Kim, Joel Jang, **Doyoung Kim**, Kyoung-Woon On, Minjoon Seo. “How Well Do Large Language Models Truly Ground?” NAACL, 2024.
- [C5] Seonghyeon Ye*, **Doyoung Kim***, Sungdong Kim, Hyeonbin Hwang, Seungwon Kim, Yongrae Jo, James Thorne, Juho Kim, Minjoon Seo. “FLASK: Fine-grained Language Model Evaluation based on Alignment Skill Sets.” **ICLR Spotlight, 2024**.

¹Leave of absence for mandatory military service, Jan 2018 – Sep 2019

- [C4] Seungwon Kim, Sejune Joo, **Doyoung Kim**, Joel Jang, Seonghyeon Ye, Jaemin Shin, Minjoon Seo. “The CoT Collection: Improving Zero-shot and Few-shot Learning of Language Models via Chain-of-Thought Fine-Tuning.” EMNLP, 2024.
- [C3] Joel Jang, Seungwon Kim, Seonghyeon Ye, **Doyoung Kim**, Lajanugen Logeswaran, Moon-tae Lee, Kyungjae Lee, Minjoon Seo. “Exploring the benefits of training expert language models over instruction tuning.” ICML, 2023.
- [C2] Seonghyeon Ye, **Doyoung Kim**, Joel Jang, Joongbo Shin, Minjoon Seo. “Guess the instruction! making language models stronger zero-shot learners.” ICLR, 2023.
- [C1] Seonghyeon Ye, Joel Jang, **Doyoung Kim**, Yongrae Jo, Minjoon Seo. “Efficiently Enhancing Zero-Shot Performance of Instruction Following Model via Retrieval of Soft Prompt.” EMNLP Findings, 2023.

Projects

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- [Pr1] Seonghyeon Ye*, Yongrae Jo*, **Doyoung Kim***, Sungdong Kim, Hyeybin Hwang, Minjoon Seo. “SelFee: Iterative Self-Revising LLM Empowered by Self-Feedback Generation.” 2023.

Invited Talks

National Information Society Agency (NIA)	<i>Jul 2024</i>
Fine-grained Evaluation for Generative AI	
Adobe Research	<i>Aug 2023</i>
Fine-grained Evaluation for Generative AI	

Honors and Awards

Selected Awards:

- College Students Mathematics Competition, Korean Mathematical Society
 - Silver medal, Mathematics Major Division (2020)
 - Bronze medal, Freshmen Division (2017)

Teaching Experiences

Upstage Boostcamp AI Tech	<i>Mar 2024 - Nov 2024</i>
Machine Reading & Comprehension TA	
World Friends ICT Volunteer in Ethiopia	<i>Jul 2017 - Aug 2017</i>
Coding TA for ICPC Ethiopian Regional Contest candidates in ASTU	Adama, Ethiopia

Professional Services

Student Mentoring:

- Jihoon Jun (July 2023 - Dec 2023), BS at SNU, Now Quant Trader at Vacuum
- Jaehyeok Doo (Jul 2024 - Feb 2025), BS at UIUC, Now MS at KAIST AI