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*General intelligence in language and robotics*

## Education

**CS Department at the Courant Institute, NYU**

*Sep 2025 – Present*

PhD, Research in world model, language and robotics

New York, NY

**Kim Jaechul Graduate School of AI, KAIST**

*Feb 2023 – Aug 2025*

MS, Research in planning and reasoning of LLM

Seoul, South Korea

**Department of Mathematical Sciences, KAIST**

*Feb 2017 – Aug 2022<sup>1</sup>*

BS in Mathematics and Computer Science (Double Major)

Daejeon, South Korea

**Gyeonggi Science High School for the Gifted**

*Feb 2014 – Dec 2016*

Mathematics major

Suwon, South Korea

## Research Experience

**Config Intelligence**

*Mar 2025 – Sep 2025*

Research intern, Better policy model for robotics

Seoul, South Korea

**KAIST AI Research Intern (KAIRI)**

*Mar 2022 – Feb 2023*

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.**

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<sup>1</sup>Leave 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, Hyeonbin Hwang, Minjoon Seo. “SelfFee: Iterative Self-Revising LLM Empowered by Self-Feedback Generation.” 2023.

## Invited Talks

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**National Information Society Agency (NIA)** *Jul 2024*

Fine-grained Evaluation for Generative AI

**Adobe Research** *Aug 2023*

Fine-grained Evaluation for Generative AI

## Honors and Awards

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### Selected Awards:

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

## Teaching Experiences

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**Upstage Boostcamp AI Tech** *Mar 2024 - Nov 2024*

Machine Reading & Comprehension TA

**World Friends ICT Volunteer in Ethiopia** *Jul 2017 - Aug 2017*

Coding TA for ICPC Ethiopian Regional Contest candidates in ASTU Adama, Ethiopia

## Professional Services

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### 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