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**Research interests**   Generative models, Imaging, Multimodality

**Work Experience**

<b>Korea University</b>	Seoul, Korea
(Incoming) Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE	2026.09 –
<b>EverEx</b>	Seoul, Korea
Lead AI Research Scientist	2024.08 – Current
<b>NVIDIA Research</b>	San Jose, USA (remote)
Research Scientist Intern, AI4Science	2023.11 – 2024.01
<b>Google Research</b>	Mountain View, USA
Student Researcher, team LUMA	2023.07 – 2023.10
<b>Los Alamos National Laboratory</b>	Los Alamos, USA
Research intern, Applied math & Plasma physics	2022.06 – 2022.08

**Education**

<b>KAIST</b>	Daejeon, Korea
Ph.D., Bio & Brain Engineering	2019.03 – 2025.02
Advisor: Jong Chul Ye	
Thesis: <i>Practical approximations of posterior sampling in diffusion model-based inverse problems</i>	
<b>Korea University</b>	Seoul, Korea
B.S., Biomedical Engineering	2015.03 – 2019.02

**Awards**

<b>31<sup>st</sup> Samsung Humantech Silver Award</b> (\$10,000)	2025.02
<b>Google Conference Scholarship</b> (\$3,000)	2024.05
<b>30<sup>th</sup> Samsung Humantech Gold Award</b> (\$20,000)	2024.02
<b>29<sup>th</sup> Samsung Humantech Gold Award</b> (\$10,000)	2023.02
<b>2020-2024 BISPL Best Researcher Award</b> (\$4,000×5)	2020-2024.12

**Conf. publications**

\*first, †corresponding

**[C19]** InvFusion: Bridging Supervised and Zero-shot Diffusion for Inverse Problems  
Noam Elata\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Jong Chul Ye, Tomer Michaeli, Michael Elad  
*NeurIPS 2025*

**[C18]** Lesion-Aware Post-Training of Latent Diffusion Models for Synthesizing Diffusion MRI from CT Perfusion  
Junhyeok Lee, Hyungwoong Kim, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Heeseong Eom, Jang Joon, Chul-Ho Sohn, Kyu Sung Choi  
*MICCAI 2025*

**[C17]** CapeLLM: Support-Free Category-Agnostic Pose Estimation with Multimodal Large Language Models  
Junho Kim, [Hyungjin Chung](#)†, Byung-Hoon Kim†  
*ICCV 2025*

**[C16]** VideoRFSplat: Direct Scene-Level Text-to-3D Gaussian Splatting Generation with Flexible Pose and Multi-View Joint Modeling  
Hyojun Go\*, Byeongjun Park\*, Hyelin Nam, Byung-Hoon Kim, [Hyungjin Chung](#)†, Changick Kim†  
*ICCV 2025*

**[C15]** SteerX: Creating Any Camera-Free 3D and 4D Scenes with Geometric Steering

Byeongjun Park\*, Hyojun Go\*, Hyelin Nam, Byung-Hoon Kim, [Hyungjin Chung](#)<sup>†</sup>, Changick Kim<sup>†</sup>

*ICCV 2025*

**[C14]** Derivative-Free Diffusion Manifold-Constrained Gradient for Unified XAI

Won Jun Kim\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Jemin Kim\*, Byeongsu Sim, Sangmin Lee, Jong Chul Ye

*CVPR 2025*

**[C13]** CFG++: Manifold-constrained Classifier Free Guidance for Diffusion Models

[Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Jeongsol Kim\*, Geon-Yeong Park\*, Hyelin Nam\*, Jong Chul Ye

*ICLR 2025*

**[C12]** Regularization by texts for latent diffusion inverse solvers

Jeongsol Kim\*, Geon-Yeong Park\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Jong Chul Ye

*ICLR 2025 (spotlight)*

**[C11]** Deep Diffusion Image Prior for Efficient OOD Adaptation in 3D Inverse Problems

[Hyungjin Chung](#) and Jong Chul Ye

*ECCV 2024*

**[C10]** Prompt-tuning Latent Diffusion Models for Inverse Problems

[Hyungjin Chung](#), Jong Chul Ye, Peyman Milanfar, Mauricio Delbracio

*ICML 2024*

**[C9]** Decomposed Diffusion Sampler for Accelerating Large-Scale Inverse Problems

[Hyungjin Chung](#), Suhyeon Lee, Jong Chul Ye

*ICLR 2024*

**[C8]** Direct Diffusion Bridge using Data Consistency for Inverse Problems

[Hyungjin Chung](#), Jeongsol Kim, Jong Chul Ye

*NeurIPS 2023*

**[C7]** Improving 3D Imaging with Pre-Trained Perpendicular 2D Diffusion Models

Suhyeon Lee\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Minyoung Park, Jonghyuk Park, Wi-Sun Ryu, Jong Chul Ye

*ICCV 2023*

**[C6]** Score-based Diffusion Models for Bayesian Image Reconstruction

Michael T. Mccann, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Jong Chul Ye, Marc L. Klasky

*ICIP 2023*

**[C5]** Parallel Diffusion Models of Operator and Image for Blind Inverse Problems

[Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Jeongsol Kim\*, Sehui Kim, Jong Chul Ye

*CVPR 2023*

**[C4]** Solving 3d inverse problems using pre-trained 2d diffusion models

[Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Dohoon Ryu\*, Michael T. Mccann, Marc L. Klasky, Jong Chul Ye

*CVPR 2023*

**[C3]** Diffusion Posterior Sampling for General Noisy Inverse Problems

[Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Jeongsol Kim\*, Michael T. Mccann, Marc L. Klasky, Jong Chul Ye

*ICLR 2023 (Notable-top-25%)*

**[C2]** Improving Diffusion Models for Inverse Problems using Manifold Constraints

[Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Byeongsu Sim\*, Dohoon Ryu, Jong Chul Ye

*NeurIPS 2022*

**[C1]** Come-Closer-Diffuse-Faster: Accelerating Conditional Diffusion Models for Inverse Problems through Stochastic Contraction

[Hyungjin Chung](#), Byeongsu Sim, and Jong Chul Ye

*CVPR 2022*

## Journal publications

**[J14]** Label-independent Framework for Objective Evaluation of Cosmetic Outcome in Breast Cancer

Sangjoon Park, Yong Bae Kim, Jee Suk Chang, Seo Hee Choi, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Ik Jae Lee, Hwa Kyung Byun  
*Artificial Intelligence in Medicine*, 2025

[J13] Steerable Conditional Diffusion for Out-of-Distribution Adaptation in Medical Image Reconstruction  
 Alexander Denker\*, Riccardo Barbano\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Tae Hoon Roh, Simon Arrdige, Peter Maass, Bangti Jin, Jong Chul Ye  
*IEEE TMI*, 2025

[P2] Objective and Interpretable Breast Cosmesis Evaluation with Attention Guided Denoising Diffusion Anomaly Detection Model  
 Sangjoon Park, Yong Bae Kim, Jee Suk Chang, Seo Hee Choi, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Ik Jae Lee, Hwa Kyung Byun  
*IJROBP*, 2024

[J12] Fundus image enhancement through direct diffusion bridges  
 Sehui Kim\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Se Hie Park, Eui-Sang Chung, Kayoung Yi, Jong Chul Ye  
*IEEE JBHI*, 2024

[J11] MR Image Denoising and Super-Resolution Using Regularized Reverse Diffusion  
[Hyungjin Chung](#), Eun Sun Lee, Jong Chul Ye  
*IEEE TMI*, 2022

[J10] Low-dose sparse-view HAADF-STEM-EDX tomography of nanocrystals using unsupervised deep learning  
 Eunju Cha\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Jaeduck Jang, Junho Lee, Eunha Lee, Jong Chul Ye  
*ACS Nano*, 2022

[J9] Score-based diffusion models for accelerated MRI  
[Hyungjin Chung](#) and Jong Chul Ye  
*Medical Image Analysis*, 2021

[J8] Unsupervised Deep Learning Methods for Biological Image Reconstruction and Enhancement  
 Mehmet Akçakaya, Burhaneddin Yaman, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Jong Chul Ye  
*IEEE SPM*, 2021

[J7] A Deep Learning Model for Diagnosing Gastric Mucosal Lesions Using Endoscopic Images: Development, Validation, and Method Comparison  
 Joon Yeul Nam\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Kyu Sung Choi\*, Hyuk Lee\* et al.  
*Gastrointestinal Endoscopy*, 2021

[J6] Feature Disentanglement in generating three-dimensional structure from two-dimensional slice with sliceGAN  
[Hyungjin Chung](#), Jong Chul Ye  
*Nature Machine Intelligence*, 2021

[J5] Missing Cone Artifacts Removal in ODT using Unsupervised Deep Learning in Projection Domain  
[Hyungjin Chung](#)\*, Jaeyoung Huh\*, Geon Kim, Yong Keun Park, Jong Chul Ye  
*IEEE TCI*, 2021

[J4] Two-Stage Deep Learning for Accelerated 3D Time-of-Flight MRA without Matched Training Data  
[Hyungjin Chung](#), Eunju Cha, Leonard Sunwoo, Jong Chul Ye  
*Medical Image Analysis*, 2021

[J3] Deep learning STEM-EDX tomography of nanocrystals  
 Yoseob Han\*, Jaeduck Jang\*, Eunju Cha\*, Junho Lee\*, [Hyungjin Chung](#)\* et al.  
*Nature Machine Intelligence*, 2021 (March Issue cover)

[J2] Unpaired training of deep learning tMRA for flexible spatio-temporal resolution

	<p>Eunju Cha, <a href="#">Hyungjin Chung</a>, Eung Yeop Kim, Jong Chul Ye  <i>IEEE TMI</i>, 2021</p> <p>[J1] Unpaired deep learning for accelerated MRI using optimal transport driven cycleGAN          Gyutaek Oh, Byeongsu Sim, <a href="#">Hyungjin Chung</a>, Leonard Sunwoo, Jong Chul Ye  <i>IEEE TCI</i>, 2020</p>
Books	<p>[B2] Generative Machine Learning Models in Medical Image Computing          Chapter 7: Diffusion Models for Inverse Problems in Medical Imaging  <a href="#">Hyungjin Chung</a>, Jong Chul Ye</p> <p>[B1] Deep Learning for Biomedical Image Reconstruction          Chapter 12: Image Synthesis in Multi-Contrast MRI with Generative Adversarial Networks          Tolga Çukur, Mahmut Yurt, Salman Ul Hassan Dar, <a href="#">Hyungjin Chung</a>, Jong Chul Ye</p>
Reviewer (Conference)	<p>ICLR 2024-          NeurIPS 2022-          NeurIPS Datasets&amp;Benchmarks 2023-          CVPR 2023-          ECCV 2022-          ICCV 2023-          AAAI 2025-          SIGGRAPH Asia 2025-          MICCAI 2022-</p>
Reviewer (Journal)	<p>NEJM AI          Nature Communications          Medical Image Analysis          IEEE TMI (<i>Gold Distinguished reviewer 2024, Bronze Distinguished reviewer 2023</i>)          IEEE TPAMI, TCI, TSP, TIP, SPS, SPL, TRPMS  <a href="#">See full list</a></p>
Invited talks & Lectures	<p><b>Towards motion understanding and generation in videos</b>          - <i>Korean Society of Digital Health</i> 2025.09</p> <p><b>Texts in inverse problem solving using diffusion models</b>          - <i>University of Michigan</i> 2024.10</p> <p><b>Tutorial on Denoising Diffusion Model: Fundamentals &amp; Applications</b>          - <i>IEIE: Winter School on Biomedical Signal Processing</i> 2024.02</p> <p><b>Adapting diffusion models for inverse problems</b>          - <i>UCLA, Caltech: Grundfest Memorial Lecture Series in Graphics and Imaging</i> 2024.02          - <i>2023 NeurIPS Workshop on diffusion models</i> 2023.12          - <i>Google Research</i> 2023.10</p> <p><b>Advances in diffusion models and their applications to inverse problems</b>          - <i>Guest Lecture, Korea University</i> 2023.11</p> <p><b>Generative (diffusion) models for medical imaging</b>          - <i>KoSAIM 2025 summer school</i> 2025.08          - <i>International Congress on Magnetic Resonance Imaging (ICMRI) 2023</i> 2023.11          - <i>Michigan State University</i> 2023.09          - <i>Stanford MedAI</i> 2023.08          - <i>MGH, School of Medicine, Harvard University</i> 2023.08          - <i>BRIC academic webinar</i> 2023.03          - <i>45<sup>th</sup> meeting, The Korean Society of Abdominal Radiology, 2022</i> 2022.06</p>

## Diffusion models: foundations and applications in biomedical imaging

- [IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging \(ISBI\) 2023](#) 2023.05

## Diffusion models for inverse problems

- LANL 2024.11

- IPA seminar, Korea University 2024.09

- Krafton AI 2024.09

- DRGem 2024.08

- LG AI Research 2024.08

- Twelve Labs 2024.06

- [AI SEOUL 2024](#) 2024.02

- [Inference & control group seminar, Donders Institute, Radboud Univ.](#) 2023.01

- LANL T-CNLS seminar, 2022 2022.08

## Preprints

### [P9] A Foundational Brain Dynamics Model via Stochastic Optimal Control

Joonhyeong Park\*, Byoungwoo Park\*, Chang-Bae Bang, Jungwon Choi, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Byung-Hoon Kim<sup>†</sup>, Juho Lee<sup>†</sup>

### [P8] Advancing Ultra Low-Field MRI with Synthetic Data and Deep Learning-Based Image Enhancement for Brain Volume Analysis

Peter Hsu, Elisa Marchetto, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Dohun Lee, Jong Chul Ye, Daniel Sodickson, Jelle Veraart, Patricia Johnson

### [P7] ContextMRI: Enhancing Compressed Sensing MRI through Metadata Conditioning

[Hyungjin Chung\\*](#), Dohun Lee\*, Zihui Wu, Byung-Hoon Kim, Katie Bouman, Jong Chul Ye

### [P6] Contrastive CFG: Improving CFG in Diffusion Models by Contrasting Positive and Negative Concepts

Jinho Chang, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Jong Chul Ye

### [P5] ACDC: Autoregressive coherent multimodal generation using diffusion correction

[Hyungjin Chung\\*](#), Dohun Lee\*, Jong Chul Ye

### [P4] A survey on diffusion models for inverse problems

Giannis Daras, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Chieh-Hsin Lai, Yuki Mitsufuji, Jong Chul Ye, Peyman Milanfar, Alexandros G Dimakis, Mauricio Delbracio

### [P3] Amortized Posterior Sampling with Diffusion Prior Distillation

Abbas Mammadov\*, [Hyungjin Chung\\*](#), Jong Chul Ye

### [P2] Deep Learning for Deep Learning Performance: How Much Data Is Needed in Biomedical Imaging?

Kyu Sung Choi, Junhyeok Lee, [Hyungjin Chung](#), Jeong-Hoon Lee

### [P1] Generative AI for Medical Imaging: extending the MONAI Framework

Pinaya *et al.* ([Hyungjin Chung](#): Contributing author)

## Patent

### US patent application

- Score-based Diffusion Model for Accelerated MRI and Apparatus thereof 2023

### Korea patent publication

- Crowd Deep Learning Method of Medical Artificial Intelligence and Apparatus thereof 2025

- Score-based Diffusion Model for Accelerated MRI and Apparatus thereof 2024

- Task-agnostic image processing method and apparatus using transformer and federated split learning 2024

- Tomography image processing method using neural network based on unsupervised learning to remove missing cone artifacts and apparatus therefor 2023

- Two-Stage unsupervised learning method for 3D Time-of-flight MRA reconstruction and the apparatus thereof 2023

### **Korea patent application**

- Accelerating method of conditional diffusion models for inverse problems using stochastic contraction and the apparatus thereof 2021
- Extreme condition reconstruction method HAADF-STEM-EDX tomography using unsupervised deep learning and the apparatus thereof 2021

### **Teaching experience**

#### **Head TA, KAIST**

- AI 618: Generative models and unsupervised learning 2024-1
- BiS 800: Machine Learning for Medical Image Analysis 2021-2

#### **TA, KAIST**

- AI 618: Generative models and unsupervised learning 2022-2
- MAS 480: Advanced Intelligence 2021-1
- BiS 452: Biomedical Imaging 2020-2
- BiS 301: Bioengineering Laboratory I 2019, 2020-1

### **References**

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#### **Jong Chul Ye**

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Host (Google) 2023.07 — 2023.11  
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