

# Jiwoo Kim

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Robotics, Reinforcement Learning, Geometric Deep Learning

## EDUCATION

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### Duke University, Ph.D.

Major in Electrical and Computer Engineering  
advised by Prof. Miroslav Pajic

Aug. 2024 - Present  
NC, U.S.A.

### Yonsei University, B.S.

Major in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Mar. 2021 - Feb. 2024  
Seoul, South Korea

## PUBLICATIONS

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[1] Hyunwoo Ryu, Jiwoo Kim, Junwoo Chang, Hyun Seok Ahn, Joohwan Seo, Taehan Kim, Yubin Kim, Jongeun Choi, Roberto Horowitz. **"Diffusion-EDFs: Bi-equivariant Denoising Generative Modeling on SE(3) for Visual Robotic Manipulation."** CVPR, 2024 (*Spotlight*)

[2] Junwoo Chang\*, Hyunwoo Ryu\*, Jiwoo Kim, Soochul Yoo, Joohwan Seo, Nikhil Prakash, Jongeun Choi, Roberto Horowitz. **"Denoising Heat-inspired Diffusion with Insulators for Collision Free Motion Planning."** NeurIPS Workshop on Diffusion Models, 2023 (\*Equal Contribution)

[3] Jiwoo Kim\*, Hyunwoo Ryu\*, Jongeun Choi, Joohwan Seo, Nikhil Prakash, Ruolin Li, Roberto Horowitz. **"Robotic Manipulation Learning with Equivariant Descriptor Fields: Generative Modeling, Bi-equivariance, Steerability, and Locality."** RSS Workshop on Symmetries in Robot Learning, 2023 (\*Equal Contribution) (*Oral, Best Paper Award*)

[4] Sarmad Idrees, Jiwoo Kim, Jongeun Choi, Soekman Son. **"Human Motion Prediction: Assessing Direct and Geometry-Aware Approaches in 3D Space."**, IEEE Access

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

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Best technical demo presentation at the 5th Yonsei Univ. M.E Grad. Student Academic Conference Oct. 2023

Best paper at RSS Workshop on Symmetries in Robot Learning Jul. 2023

Excellent Academic Performance Scholarship by Yonsei Univ. Jun., Dec. 2022

Samhwajibong Scholarship Foundation Scholarship Jun.2022

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### MLCS lab, Yonsei Univ.

Advised by Prof. Jongeun Choi  
*Undergraduate Research Intern*

Jul. 2022 - Feb. 2024

- Real-world Diffusion-EDF experiment using Franka Emika Panda showcased live.

- Designed the end-to-end pick and place experiment code, engineered with ROS, C++, and Python for Franka Emika Panda, achieving an 85% success rate.
- Applied RTAB-Map and point cloud reconstruction techniques for visual point cloud data.
- Led a team of 4 interns during the project.
- Reinforcement Learning (RL) project using Mujoco for custom mobile manipulation.
  - Engineered an interface with Gym, Mujoco, and customized URDF files for our custom robot.
  - Implemented Soft Actor-Critic (SAC) algorithm enabling the robot to move and pick the object with high manipulability.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Engineering Information Processing (ENG1108)  
*Teaching Assistant*

Sep. 2023 - Dec. 2023

## RESEARCH SKILLS

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Computer Languages	Python, ROS, C++, C
Simulations	Mujoco, Sapien, Pybullet, Gazebo
Modeling	Meshlab, Blender, AutoDesk360
Tools	MATLAB, Moveit, Latex

## LANGUAGE

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English	Native
Korean	Native
Spanish	Intermediate

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

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Electrical and Electronic Engineering Honor Society	2022 - 2024
Served in the Republic of Korea Air force	2018 - 2020
Korean Red Cross Youth (RCY)	2017 - 2018