

# JAEKYEOM KIM

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Building capable AI agents for decision-making in challenging, real-world tasks, with language and multimodal models and reinforcement learning.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**LG AI Research, Ann Arbor**  
*Researcher*

*Aug. 2023 - Present*

- Working on LLM and multimodal agents for decision making in challenging, real-world tasks
- Manager: Prof. Honglak Lee

**ESTsoft, Seoul (Alternative Military Service)**  
*Senior Software Engineer*

*Apr. 2013 - May 2016*

- Developed the dual-engine web browser based on Chromium, a large-scale open source project that powers Google Chrome and more

**Google, Seoul**  
*Software Engineering Intern*

*Jun. 2012 - Sep. 2012*

- Worked on processing raw text data to generate formalized entries and reconciling them with existing entries, as part of the Knowledge Graph project

## EDUCATION

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**Seoul National University**

*Mar. 2018 - Aug. 2023*

Integrated MS/PhD in Computer Science and Engineering

Vision & Learning Lab (Advisor: Prof. Gunhee Kim and Prof. Hyun Oh Song)

Dissertation: [Generalizable Agents with Improved Abstractions and Transfer](#)

Committee: Profs. Sungjoo Yoo, Gunhee Kim, Hyun Oh Song, Joonseok Lee, and Kimin Lee

**Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology**

*Feb. 2010 - Jun. 2017*

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

GPA (Overall): 4.06/4.30

Graduated *summa cum laude*

GPA (Major): 4.21/4.30

## PUBLICATIONS

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(\*equal contribution)

1. AutoGuide: Automated Generation and Selection of Context-Aware Guidelines for Large Language Model Agents  
Yao Fu\*, Dong-Ki Kim\*, **Jaekyeom Kim**, Sungryull Sohn, Lajanugen Logeswaran, Kyunghoon Bae, Honglak Lee  
**NeurIPS 2024** ([Proceeding](#))
2. Auto-Intent: Automated Intent Discovery and Self-Exploration for Large Language Model Web Agents  
**Jaekyeom Kim**, Dong-Ki Kim, Lajanugen Logeswaran, Sungryull Sohn, Honglak Lee  
**EMNLP 2024 Findings** ([Proceeding](#))

3. SkillAct: Using Skill Abstractions Improves LLM Agents  
Anthony Zhe Liu, Jongwook Choi, Sungryull Sohn, Yao Fu, **Jaekyeom Kim**, Dong-Ki Kim, Xinhe Wang, Jaewon Yoo, Honglak Lee  
**ICML 2024 Workshop on LLMs and Cognition** ([Accepted Papers](#))
4. Small Language Models Need Strong Verifiers to Self-Correct Reasoning  
Yunxiang Zhang, Muhammad Khalifa, Lajanugen Logeswaran, **Jaekyeom Kim**, Moontae Lee, Honglak Lee, Lu Wang  
**ACL 2024 Findings** ([Proceeding](#))
5. Constrained GPI for Zero-Shot Transfer in Reinforcement Learning  
**Jaekyeom Kim**, Seohong Park, Gunhee Kim  
**NeurIPS 2022** ([Proceeding](#))
6. Lipschitz-constrained Unsupervised Skill Discovery  
Seohong Park, Jongwook Choi\*, **Jaekyeom Kim\***, Honglak Lee, Gunhee Kim  
**ICLR 2022** ([Proceeding](#))
7. Time Discretization-Invariant Safe Action Repetition for Policy Gradient Methods  
Seohong Park, **Jaekyeom Kim**, Gunhee Kim  
**NeurIPS 2021** ([Proceeding](#))
8. Unsupervised Skill Discovery with Bottleneck Option Learning  
**Jaekyeom Kim\***, Seohong Park\*, Gunhee Kim  
**ICML 2021** ([Proceeding](#))
9. Drop-Bottleneck: Learning Discrete Compressed Representation for Noise-Robust Exploration  
**Jaekyeom Kim**, Minjung Kim, Dongyeon Woo, Gunhee Kim  
**ICLR 2021** ([Proceeding](#))
10. Model-Agnostic Boundary-Adversarial Sampling for Test-Time Generalization in Few-Shot Learning  
**Jaekyeom Kim**, Hyoungeok Kim, Gunhee Kim  
**ECCV 2020 (Oral: 104/5025  $\approx$  2%)** ([Proceeding](#))
11. EMI: Exploration with Mutual Information  
Hyoungeok Kim\*, **Jaekyeom Kim\***, Yeonwoo Jeong, Sergey Levine, Hyun Oh Song  
**ICML 2019 (Long talk: 158/3424  $\approx$  4.6%)** ([Proceeding](#))

## HONORS & AWARDS

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### PhD Dissertation Award

*Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, Seoul National University*

*Aug. 2023*

### Star Student Researcher Award

*Brain Korea (BK21) FOUR Intelligence Computing, Seoul National University*

*Feb. 2023*

**Youlchon AI Star Fellowship** Jul. 2022  
*Youlchon Foundation*

**Naver PhD Fellowship** Dec. 2021  
*Naver*

**Google PhD Fellowship** Sep. 2021  
*Google*

- Area: Machine Learning

**Samsung Humantech Paper Award** Feb. 2021  
*Samsung Electronics*

- Silver Prize in Signal Processing, award for research work

**Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Korea** Dec. 2020  
*Qualcomm AI Research*

- Award for research work

**On-Dream Outstanding Scholar Award** Dec. 2020  
*Hyundai Motor Chung Mong-Koo Foundation*

**On-Dream Future Talent Graduate Scholarship** Jul. 2020 - Jul. 2021  
*Hyundai Motor Chung Mong-Koo Foundation*

- Full-tuition and additional scholarships for graduate study

**Kwanjeong Domestic Scholarship** Apr. 2018 - Mar. 2020  
*Kwanjeong Educational Foundation*

- Full-tuition and additional scholarships for 2 years

**Summa Cum Laude Honor** Feb. 2018  
*Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology*

**National Presidential Science Scholarship** Feb. 2010 - Jun. 2017  
*Korea Student Aid Foundation*

- Full-tuition and additional scholarships for undergraduate study

**KAIST Convergence AMP Scholarship** Oct. 2016  
*Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology*

- Merit-based scholarship awarded to 5 recipients

## ACADEMIC SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

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### Conference Reviewer

- ICML (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
- NeurIPS (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
- ICLR (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- Workshops: NeurIPS Behavioral ML (2024)

## **Teaching Assistant**

- Probabilistic Graphical Models (M1522.001300), Spring, 2022
- Statistical Foundations for A.I. and Machine Learning (M2480.000500), Fall, 2021
- Theory and Lab of IoT, AI, and Big Data (M2177.004900), Spring, 2021
- Probabilistic Graphical Models (M1522.001300), Spring, 2020
- Introduction to Deep Learning (M2177.004300), Spring, 2019
- Engineering Mathematics 2 (033.015), Fall, 2018
- Introduction to Deep Learning (M2177.004300), Spring, 2018