Joonhyuk Ko

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Algorithmic Fairness, Differential Privacy, Optimization, and Uncertainty Quantification.

EDUCATION

University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA

Aug 2022 - May 2026

B.S. in Computer Science, B.A. in Mathematics *GPA*: 3.997/4.000; (both) *Major GPA*: 4.000/4.000

Relevant Courses:

Machine Learning[†], Convex Optimization[†], Algorithms, Real Analysis, Abstract Algebra, Linear Algebra, Probability, Mathematical Statistics, Partial Differential Equations, Theory of Computation, Software Engineering, Computer Systems and Organization, Reinforcement Learning^{*}, Natural Language Processing^{*}, Intermediate Microeconomics^{*}

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Carnegie Mellon University, School of Computer Science

Pittsburgh, PA

Research Intern

May 2025 - Present

Advisor: Dr. Steven Wu

- Research topics: Uncertainty Quantification, Learning Theory
- Summer visiting researcher in Prof. Steven Wu's group on a joint project with Prof. Andrew Ilyas.

University of Virginia, Department of Computer Science

Charlottesville, VA

Research Assistant

Jan 2024 - Present

Advisor: Dr. Ferdinando Fioretto

- Research topics: Differential Privacy, Algorithmic Fairness
- Undergraduate Research Assistant at RAISE (Responsible AI for Science and Engineering) group.
- Led to the following publication(s): C1, P1

University of Virginia, School of Engineering and Applied Science

Research Assistant

Charlottesville, VA

May 2024 - Aug 2024

Advisor: Dr. Ferdinando Fioretto

- Selected as a Dean's Undergraduate Engineering Research Fellow.
- Awarded \$4,800 from the engineering department to pursue full-time research for summer 2024.
- Attended weekly professional development workshops.
- Presented a poster at the 2024 Fall Undergraduate Research Expo at UVA.

Publications

Conference Proceedings

C1. **Joonhyuk Ko**, Juba Ziani, Saswat Das, Matt Williams, Ferdinando Fioretto. "Fairness Issues and Mitigations in (Differentially Private) Socio-Demographic Data Processes."

AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2025. Oral Presentation (< 5%).

Preprints

P1. **Joonhyuk Ko**, Juba Ziani, Ferdinando Fioretto. "Optimal Allocation of Privacy Budget on Hierarchical Data Release."

ArXiv Preprint, 2025.

[†]Graduate-level Courses ^{*}Fall 2025 Courses

Awards and Honors

Louis T. Rader Undergraduate Research Award, Top Honors The highest undergraduate CS research award at the University of Virginia (\$750 award). [link]	2025
The Raven Society Member The oldest and most prestigious honorary society at the University of Virginia.	2025
AAAI 2025 Student Travel Award Received NSF-sponsored travel funding to support conference participation (\$1,800 award).	2025
CRA Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher Award, Honorable Mention Recognizes North American undergraduates with outstanding computing research potential. [link]	2025
Dean's Undergraduate Engineering Research Fellowship	2024

INVITED TALKS

Talk: Fairness Issues and Mitigations in (Differentially Private) Socio-Demographic Data Processes.

TOC4Fairness Seminar, Simons Foundation. [link]

Mar 2025

Panelist: Preparing for Undergraduate Research (CS 2501). Department of Computer Science, University of Virginia.

Feb 2025

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Reviewer

AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2026.

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant

APMA 6410 (Graduate-level): Engineering Mathematics I (Fall 2023)

Received a stipend to pursue full-time research for summer 2024 (\$4,800 award).

APMA 2130: Ordinary Differential Equations (Spring 2023)

Additional Information

Technical Skills: Python, C, MATLAB, IATEX, SLURM, Gurobi, CVXPY, SciPy, TypeScript

Languages: English, Korean Nationality: U.S. Citizen

References

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Dr. Juba Ziani

Assistant Professor, H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Georgia Institute of Technology

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Dr. Steven Wu

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