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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Date of Birth: September 10, 1991

Citizenship: Republic of Korea

TRAINING & EDUCATION

Adjunct Associate Research Scientist

Jul. 2021 - Present

Department of Biostatistics, Columbia University

Research Scientist II

Jul. 2021 - Present

Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University

Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene, New York State Psychiatric Institute

Postdoctoral Researcher

Mar. 2021 - Jun. 2021

Department of Statistics, Seoul National University

Seoul National University

Mar. 2015 - Feb. 2021

Ph.D. in Statistics

Graduated with the Best Dissertation Award

Advisor: Myunghee Cho Paik, Ph.D.

Dissertation: Statistical distance of conditional distributions and its applications

Seoul National University

Mar. 2010 - Feb. 2015

Triple Major

Graduated with Honors (Cum Laude)

B.S. in Industrial Engineering

B.S. in Statistics

B.S. in Mathematical Sciences

HONORS & AWARDS

Best Dissertation Award

Feb. 2021

College of Natural Sciences, Seoul National University

Seoul National University Innovation Program Scholarship

Mar. 2017 - Feb. 2018

Seoul National University

* Awarded to the Ph.D. student with the highest GPA in the department.

Student Paper Competition 1st Prize

June 2017

Korean Statistical Society

PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

Journal

- **Kim, Y.-G.***, Lee, K., and Paik, M.C.[‡] (2022). Conditional Wasserstein generator. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*. [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Code\]](#)
- IF: 23.6; H-index: 397 (**Top 1** Applied Mathematics journal; upper 0.2%)
- **Kim, Y.-G.***, Kwon, Y., and Paik, M.C.[‡] (2019). Valid oversampling schemes to handle imbalance. *Pattern Recognition Letters*, 125 (1): 661-667. [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Code\]](#)
- IF: 5.1; H-index: 170 (**Top 13** AI journal; upper 4.6%)

Conference

- **Kim, Y.-G.***, Liu, Y.[‡], and Wei, X. (2023). Covariate-informed representation learning to prevent posterior collapse of iVAE. *Proceedings of the Twenty Third International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS 2023)*. [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Code\]](#)
- H5-index: 91 (**Top 6** AI conference)
- Kim, M.*, **Kim, Y.-G.**, Kim, D., Kim, Y., and Paik, M.C.[‡] (2021). Kernel-convoluted deep neural networks with data augmentation. *Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI 2021)*. [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Code\]](#)
- H5-index: 212 (**Top 4** AI conference)
- **Kim, Y.-G.***, Kwon, Y., Chang, H., and Paik, M.C.[‡] (2020). Lipschitz continuous autoencoders in application to anomaly detection. *Proceedings of the Twenty Third International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS 2020)*. [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Code\]](#)
- H5-index: 91 (**Top 6** AI conference)

Patent

- Paik, M.C.[‡], **Kim, Y.-G.**, and Lee, K., Method and apparatus for conditional data generation using conditional Wasserstein generator. Republic of Korea Patent. [\[Info\]](#)
- Paik, M.C.[‡], **Kim, Y.-G.**, and Chang, H., Learning method and learning device for high-dimension unsupervised anomaly detection using kernalized Wasserstein autoencoder to lessen too many computations of Christophel function, and testing method and testing device using the same. Republic of Korea Patent. [\[Info\]](#)

Preprint

- Kim, S.*, **Kim, Y.-G.**, and Wang, Y.[‡] (2023). Temporal generative models for learning heterogeneous group dynamics of ecological momentary data (under *Revision Invited* at Biometrics). [\[BioRxiv\]](#)
- **Kim, Y.-G.***, ..., and Paik, M.C.[‡] (2023). Wasserstein geodesic generator for conditional distributions (under review at Journal of Machine Learning Research). [\[ArXiv\]](#)[\[Code\]](#)
- **Kim, Y.-G.***, Ravid, O.*, ..., and Zhu, X.[‡] (2023). Explaining deep learning-based representations of resting state functional connectivity data: focusing on interpreting nonlinear patterns in autism spectrum disorder (under review at Human Brain Mapping). [\[BioRxiv\]](#) [\[Code\]](#) *: Equal contribution of the first authors

GRANT

(Submitted) NIH K99/R00: **Pathway to Independence Award** (role: **PI**)

- Title: Development of reinforcement learning-based tools for evaluating contingency management intervention in substance use disorder treatments; Total Grant Amount: \$1,113,066.

SELECTED TALKS

Invited Talks

- **Kim, Y.-G.**, Liu, Y., and Wei, X. (2023). Covariate-informed representation learning to prevent posterior collapse of iVAE. *The Twenty Third International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS 2023)*, *Palau de Congressos, Valencia, Spain*.[‡]

- Liu, Y, **Kim, Y.-G.**, and Wei, X (2023). Covariate informed identifiable variational autoencoder to learn representations from brain imaging measures. *Eastern North American Region (ENAR), Nashville, TN*.
- Kim, M., **Kim, Y.-G.**, Kim, D., Kim, Y., and Paik, M.C. (2021). Kernel-convoluted deep neural networks with data augmentation. *The 35th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI-21), Virtual conference due to COVID-19*.
- **Kim, Y.-G.**, Kwon, Y., Chang, H., and Paik, M.C. (2020). Lipschitz continuous autoencoders in application to anomaly detection. *The 23rd International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS 2020), Virtual conference due to COVID-19*.
- **Kim, Y.-G.**, Kwon, Y., Chang, H., and Paik, M.C. (2019). Lipschitz continuous autoencoders in application to anomaly detection. *IMS-China International Conference on Statistics and Probability, Dalian, China*.

Contributed Talks

- **Kim, Y.-G.**, Liu, Y., Brandt, L., Cheung, K., Nunes, E. V., Roll, J., and Luo, S. X. (2023). Optimizing contingency management in substance use disorder treatment using off-policy policy evaluation. *Eastern North American Region (ENAR) 2023 Spring meeting*.
- **Kim, Y.-G.**, Kwon, Y., and Paik, M.C. (2017). Handling imbalance in medical imaging data using convolutional neural network. *Spring Korea Statistical Conference 2017, Seoul, Republic of Korea*.

† indicates a poster presentation.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Conference Organizer

- (Under review for the Invited Session) Joint Statistical Meetings 2024 (role: **Organizer & speaker**); Title: Reliable and Cost-effective Mental Health Care with Reinforcement Learning
- Invited Session at Eastern North American Region 2023 (role: **Chair**); Title: Advanced Methods for Analyzing Large-Scale Neuroimaging Data from Nationwide Consortia for Mental Health Research [\[Info\]](#)
- Oral Presentation Session at International Conference on Machine Learning 2022 (role: **Chair**); Title: Theory [\[Info\]](#)

Reviewer

- International Conference on Machine Learning; Awarded **Top 10%** Reviewer [\[List\]](#)
- JAMA Psychiatry
- Expert Systems with Applications
- Pattern Recognition Letters
- International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics
- International Journal of Computer Assisted Radiology and Surgery

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer

- Deep Learning: A Statistical Perspective (Fall 2021) at Seoul National University
 - Graduate-level course on deep learning.
 - Gave the lecture “Conditional Image Synthesis and Its Applications” in English.

Student Lecturer

- Deep Learning: A Statistical Perspective (Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020) at Seoul National University
 - Graduate-level course on deep learning.
 - Gave lectures about deep learning programming languages and deep learning-based object detection algorithms in English.
- Seminar in Recent Development of Applied Statistics (Fall 2017) at Seoul National University
 - Graduate-level course on missing data analysis.
 - Gave a lecture about the application of expectation-maximization algorithm in incomplete data in English.
- Statistics Lab. (Fall 2015) at Seoul National University
 - Freshman course to introduce R programming.
 - Gave whole lectures.

Teaching Assistant

I held office hours and graded homeworks and exams for the following courses.

- Mathematical Statistics 1 (Spring 2016, Summer 2016, Spring 2017, Summer 2017)
 - Major core course to focus on conditional probability, stochastic independence, and the distributions of random variables.
- Mathematical Statistics 2 (Fall 2016, Winter 2016, Fall 2017)
 - Major core course to provide a deeper understanding of limit distributions, statistical estimation, and statistical inferences.
- Statistics (Spring 2015, Spring 2020)
 - Freshman course to introduce Statistics.