

# MINKUN KIM

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## PERSONAL STATEMENT

Proficient in Bayesian Nonparametric modeling and a wide range of statistical methods for prediction, uncertainty quantification, and more. Possess a deep understanding of the underlying mathematical theories and derivations, and enjoying applying and customizing these frameworks to address complex quantitative challenges in energy finance and risk management.

Website: <https://mainkoon81.github.io/minkun-website/>

**Main Tools:** R, C++, Python

**Financial Mathematics Skills:** Stochastic Calculus, Matrix Calculus, Differential Equation, Time Series, Simulation

**Data Engineering Skills:** SQL, Airflow, Spark, Kafka, Databrick, AWS, Kubernetes, Excel, PowerBI, Tableau

**Quantitative Financial Research Skills:** Risk(distribution) and Valuation(point estimate) and Scientific paper writing

**Language Skills:** English (full professional proficiency), Korean (native), German (A1)

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

### M.Sc Mathematical Finance + Sustainable Energy System Management

2025-2028

School of Mathematics, University of York, UK

School of Economics, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany

**Key Modules:** Mathematical Methods in Finance, Discrete Time Modelling and Derivative Securities, Portfolio Theory and Risk Management, Stochastic Calculus and Black-Scholes Theory, Computational Finance, Modelling of Bonds+Terms Structure+Interest Rate Derivatives, Credit Risk Management, Energy Systems, Renewable Energy Technologies, Climate Economics, Energy Investments and Finance, Energy Regulation and Law, Business Models for the Energy Transition, Modern Project Management, Innovation and Technology Management, Implementing Renewable Energy Project, Application of Smart Energy

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#### Related Publications

1) **T.B.D**

*Journal*

2) **T.B.D**

*Journal*

### Ph.D Computing with research focus on Bayesian Finance

2020-2025

ADAPT Centre, Dublin City University, Ireland

**Research Topic:** Bayesian Parametric/Nonparametric Risk Modeling with Incomplete Data in Actuarial Practice

**Thesis:** Insurance Risk Premium Development with Model Risk, 2025; Available online at: ( in progress )

#### Related Publications

3) **Dirichlet Process Log Skewnormal Mixture with Missing at Random Covariate in Insurance Practice**

*Journal Econometrics*, 2023, 11(4), 24; Available online at: (<https://www.mdpi.com/2225-1146/11/4/24>)

4) **Bayesian Hierarchical Risk Premium Modeling with Model Risk: Addressing Non-Differential Berkson Error**

*Journal Applied Sciences*, 2024, 15(1), 210; Available online at: (<https://doi.org/10.3390/app15010210>)

### Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA), UK, Actuarial Qualification

2022-present

**Completed Exams:** CS1-Actuarial Statistics I, CM1-Actuarial Mathematics I, CB2-Business Economics

### H.Dip Statistics + M.Sc Data Analytics

2017-2019

School of Statistics and Mathematics, University College Dublin, Ireland

School of Computing, Dublin City University, Ireland

**Key Modules:** Multivariate Analysis, Bayesian Inference, Data Modelling, Predictive Models (with SAS/R), Monte-Carlo Inference, Data programming with Python, Inferential Statistics, Machine Learning, Statistical Data Analysis, Mathematical Methods, Big Data Management, Visualization, etc.

**Thesis:** Study of walkability on house price change in Dublin with WLS regression, Google Map API and Tableau (Commissioned by Dublin City Council). Available online at: (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.07563>)

**CAREER EXPERIENCE****Research Assistant**

2019-2020

ARC-SYM (Advanced Research Computing for Complex Systems Modelling Centre), Ireland

- **Bioinformatics project:** Helped the physicians from St.Vincent University Hospital in Dublin, developing research w.r.t Gene Regulatory Network: (1) Dimensionality reduction, (2) Feature Selection: Modeling with Diverse Risk Factors/Determinants (genetic/clinical), (3) Refining GRS Risk Factors in the model; Integration between Traditional Risk Factors, Genetic Variants (SNP, GRS, etc.)
- **InsurTech project:** Helped researchers in FINEOS actuarial software company to improve predictions of employee's disability benefit durations. This involves the improvement of the correct case assignment, automation of high frequency predictable cases freeing up staffs for better management and intervention on unpredictable cases, thereby improving productivity, reducing out-of-work durations and achieving better outcomes for insurers.

**Research Intern**

2014-2015

Seoul Housing and Communities Corporation (SH Corporation), South Korea

- **Urban re-generation project:** Helped urban developers with site selection, acquisition, planning, design, space branding, and content producing, etc. I contributed to identify key areas for city redevelopment, leveraging analytical skills (using ArcGIS) to pinpoint high-potential locations ripe for revitalization. This involved conducting thorough mathematical analyses to advocate for the inclusion of these areas in redevelopment plans.

**Soldier**

2008-2010

Military Supply Specialist &amp; Anti-Aircraft Gun (AAG) Operator, Air Force, Republic of Korea

**OTHER INFORMATION****Extra-Curricular Activities and Interests**

- **Freelance work 2019**– Helped small online shopping business examine Click Through Rate and Conversion Rate, trying 3 different A/B testing approaches such as (1) CI & Bootstrapping, (2) Simulating directly from the Null Hypothesis, (3) Regression: OLS, Logistic, KNN, SVM.
- **International MediaEval Competition 2018** – Achieved 45% accuracy from my MLP Structure that I designed to predict memorability scores for videos, which reflect the probability of a video being remembered by majority of people. Using an Autoencoder for Greedy Layer-Wise Pre-Training and Learning Rate Scheduling for SGD. Available online at (<https://www.github.com/mainkoon81>).
- **Twitter better Rating Algorithm with Computer Vision 2017** – Developed tweeting recognition algorithm as part of a web application for dog lovers. Web scrapping and investigating Twitter users' retweeting behavior, I first brought up an insight on how to get more retweets and favorites. This is followed by my tweeting recognition algorithm by taking any user-supplied dog image as input for classification then providing an estimate of the dog's breed to get more retweets and favorites.
- **Recipient of a prize at the Korea Architecture Competition 2010** – Applied Chora's *Liminal Body* concept to the redevelopment of a major commercial street in Jung-gu, Seoul, exploring spatial transitions and urban connectivity and integrating dynamic public spaces with commercial infrastructure.

**Hobbies:** Tutoring mathematics, and exploring city design concepts driven by economic forces and risk dynamics.