

Education .

Ph.D. in Statistics and Operations Research, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC)Chapel Hill, NC• Advisor: Dr. Vladas PipirasAug 2021 – May 2026M.S. in Statistics, Seoul National University (SNU)Seoul, South Korea• Advisor: Dr. Hee-Seok OhMar 2019 – Feb 2021

B.S. in Statistics, Minored in Computer Science and Engineering, Seoul National University (SNU)

Mar 2015 – Feb 2019

Work Experience

Google | Software Engineer Intern | Google Research

San Francisco, CA

• Designed and implemented a factuality evaluation metric for Gemini outputs, using **Python/Colab**.

May 2025 - Aug 2025

• Collaborated with Google Research scientists to validate the metric against human raters and existing approaches.

Moloco | Software Engineer Research Intern

Seattle, WA

• Designed and conducted experiments with exploration strategies for digital ads bidding models.

May 2023 – Aug 2023

• Identified a critical data distribution shift and proposed and developed a reweighting strategy (arXiv 🗹) using SQL and Python.

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) | NSF Mathematical Sciences Graduate Intern

Livermore, CA

• Developed data-driven methods in *libROM* , a scalable C++ library, to accelerate physics simulation.

May 2022 - Jul 2022

Research Experience

Focus: Statistical and ML methods for physical simulations (e.g., climate, naval) as well as spatio-temporal and time-series analysis. Multi-fidelity modeling (UNC) [2,3,5,6]

• Developed statistical methods to combine multi-fidelity simulation outputs (varying in accuracy and cost) for efficient estimation of distribution of limited high-fidelity outputs in **R**. Approaches: importance sampling, multi-fidelity Monte Carlo

AI for Science: solving spatio-temporal PDEs (UNC) [4]

• Applied physics-informed neural networks (PINNs) with latent space FourierNet to approximate PDE solutions in **PyTorch**. **Spatio-temporal (ST) analysis of Particular Matter data (SNU)**

• Projected ST data into a latent space for quantile analysis **C**, forecasting, and missing data prediction using EM algorithm. **Multi-scale time-series clustering (SNU)** [7] applied to large-scale step count data from wearable devices and COVID-19 data. **Course Projects (UNC)** Generative diffusion models **C** / **Undergraduate Research Intern (SNU)** MRI Stroke Lesion Segmentation

Teaching Experience

Instructor [UNC] STOR 155, Introduction to Data Models and Inference (24F)

Teaching Assistant [UNC] Statistical Theory (25F), Introduction to Deep Learning (22Sp), Methods of Data Analysis (22Sp, 21F), [SNU] Sampling Design and Survey (20F), Design and Analysis of Experiments (20Sp), Statistics Lab (20Sp, 19F)

Selected Honors and Awards

- Cambanis-Hoeffding-Nicholson Award (2022) UNC, for outstanding academic performance in first-year doctoral program.
- NSF Mathematical Sciences Graduate Internship (2022) Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education.
- Korean Government Scholarship for Overseas Study (2021, \$80K) Korean Government, 5 students in the Intelligent Infrastructure field selected nationwide for a doctoral study abroad program.
- The Presidential Science Scholarship (2015, Tuitions and incentives) Top national scholarship for outstanding STEM students.

Publications

- [1] A. Larsson et al., 'Survey on quadrature point selection in hyper-reduced order models for finite element methods', Preprint.
- [2] M. Kim, B. Brown, V. Pipiras, (2025), 'Parametric multi-fidelity Monte Carlo estimation with applications to extremes' 🗹, Technometrics, accepted.
- [3] **M. Kim**, K. O'Connor, V. Pipiras, T. Sapsis, (2025), 'Sampling low-fidelity outputs for estimation of high-fidelity density and its tails' , SIAM/ASA Journal on Uncertainty Quantification, 13, pp. 30–62.
- [4] **M. Kim**, T. Wen, K. Lee, Y. Choi, (2024), 'Physics-informed reduced order model with conditional neural fields' , NeurIPS 2024 Workshop on Machine Learning and the Physical Sciences.
- [5] **M. Kim**, V. Pipiras, T. Sapsis. (2024), 'Statistical Reduced-Order Modeling of Peaks of Vertical Bending Moment in Irregular Waves', *Proceedings of the 35th Symposium on Naval Hydrodynamics (SNH)*, Nates, France.
- [6] **M. Kim**, V. Pipiras, A. Reed, K. Weems, (2023), 'Calibration of low-fidelity ship motion programs through regressions of high-fidelity forces' **C**, *Ocean Engineering* **290**, 116321.
- [7] **M. Kim**, H. Oh, and Y. Lim, (2023), 'Zero-Inflated Time-Series Clustering Via Ensemble Thick-Pen Transform' , Journal of Classification 40, pp. 407–431.

Technical Skills _