

# Namhyun Kim

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## Research Interest

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Beyond 5G/6G communication systems based on massive MIMO, integrated sensing and communication (ISAC), AI/ML-based communications, Foundation models, Bayesian estimation, etc.

## Education

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Arizona State University (ASU), Tempe, AZ, USA Jan. 2025 — In progress  
Doctor of Philosophy in **Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering**  
Advisor: [Prof. Ahmed Alkhateeb].

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), Daejeon, South Korea Mar. 2021 — Feb. 2023  
Master of Science in **Electrical Engineering** Cumulative GPA: 3.81/4.30  
Dissertation: Location-Aware Downlink Beamforming with Marginal Training Overhead for MmWave FDD Massive MIMO Systems.  
Advisor: [Prof. Junil Choi].

Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea Mar. 2015 — Feb. 2021  
Bachelor of Science in **Electrical Engineering** (High Hons.) Cumulative GPA: 4.04/4.30

## Professional Experience

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**SK Telecom, Co., Ltd.** Seoul, South Korea  
Manager, LTE/5G Radio Access Network (RAN) Performance Improvement Group Jan. 2022 — Sep. 2023

- LTE/5G L1/L2/L3 Network planning, engineering, troubleshooting, and performance analysis.
- 64 TRX massive MIMO commercial verification test (with Samsung Electronics, Co., Ltd.).
- Skilled with Python/SQL/Kubernetes/Linux/MATLAB.

## Publications

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(Accepted)

- **N. Kim**, S. Alikhani, and A. Alkhateeb, “LWM-Spectro: A foundation model for wireless baseband signal spectrograms,” *Proc. IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC 2026)*, Glasgow, Scotland, UK, 2026 (accepted). [arXiv].

(Published)

- **N. Kim**, J. Han, J. Choi, A. Alkhateeb, C. -B. Chae and J. Park, “Integrated Sensing and Communications in Downlink FDD MIMO without CSI Feedback,” *IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications*, 2025. [Link].
- **N. Kim**, I. P. Roberts and J. Park, “Splitting Messages in the Dark – Rate-Splitting Multiple Access for FDD Massive MIMO without CSI Feedback,” *IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications*, 2025. [Link].
- J. Han, **N. Kim** and J. Park, “Reducing Latency by Eliminating CSIT Feedback: FDD Downlink MIMO Transmission for Internet-of-Things Communications,” *IEEE Internet of Things Journal*, Early Access, 2025. [Link].

(Conference)

- **N. Kim** and J. Park, “Integrated Sensing and Communications in FDD MIMO Without CSI Feedback: Towards FDD MIMO ISAC,” *2025 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*, Ann Arbor, MI, USA, 2025, pp. 1–6. [Link].
- **N. Kim**, J. Han and J. Park, “Integrated Sensing and Communications in FDD MIMO Without CSI Feedback: Towards FDD MIMO ISAC,” *2024 22nd International Symposium on Modeling and Optimization in Mobile, Ad Hoc, and Wireless Networks (WiOpt)*, Seoul, South Korea, 2024, pp. 132–137. [Link].

## Projects

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**LTE Link-Level Simulation** Seoul, South Korea  
Intelligent & Secure underwater Communication, (InSeCT), KRIT Sep. 2023 — Apr. 2024

- Implemented the signal processing chain in an OFDM receiver.

- Derived a post-equalization SINR model for CFO-impaired OFDM transmission.
- Interconnected post-equalization SINR and BICM capacity.

**5G Shared Network Commercial Deployment***SK Telecom*Daejeon, South Korea  
Sep. 2022 — Aug. 2023

- Expanded 5G coverage in Korea via the shared-network concept (with KT, LGU).
- Integrated and optimized network equipment while addressing security concerns related to shared infrastructure.
- Managed traffic load to maintain service quality with careful coordination in RAN.

**Undergraduate Capstone Project***School of Electrical Engineering, Yonsei University*Seoul, South Korea  
Mar. 2020 — Aug. 2020

- Implemented during the COVID-19 period under the leadership of the department.
- Developed a smart access control system combining RFID and temperature measurement sensors in campus.

**Scholarships & Awards**

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**Global Korea Scholarship: Study Abroad Scholarship Program**

A prestigious national scholarship providing funding support to pursue graduate studies abroad.

NIIED, Korean Government  
2025-2026**Graduate Student Academic Excellence Scholarship**

The Wooyang Foundation merit-based scholarship is one of the most prestigious scholarships in South Korea.

Wooyang Foundation

2021-2022

**Korean Government-funded Student**

A master's student fully funded by Korean government scholarships.

KAIST

2021-2022

**Department Chair Commendation**

Recognized for successfully completing tutoring for international students at Songdo international campus.

Dept. of EE., Yonsei University

Feb. 2021

**Academic Excellence Award**

Semester Honors (Spring 2016, Fall 2018, Spring 2019), High Honors (Spring 2020), Highest Honors (Fall 2019).

Yonsei University

**Graduation with Distinction**

Graduation with High Honors, placing in the top 3% of graduates in electrical engineering major.

Yonsei University

Feb. 2021

**Teaching and Mentoring Experience**

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**Academic Tutor for International Students***EE Honor Society Program, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, Yonsei University*

Songdo, Incheon, South Korea

Sep. 2019 — Feb. 2021

- Tutored in Engineering Mathematics and Engineering Physics, guiding a total of 21 students.
- Tutoring sessions were conducted at the request of international students, and most participants achieved strong grades.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant***Course: EE528: Engineering Random Processes, KAIST*

Daejeon, South Korea

Sep. 2021 — Feb. 2022

- Served as a teaching assistant for the class of Prof. Junil Choi.

**Skills**

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- **Programming:** Python, C/C++, MATLAB.
- **Software:** Linux, Kubernetes.
- **Soft Skills:** Communication, adaptability, problem-solving.