

Namhyun Kim

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Research Interest

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

Education

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

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

(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. (Posted: 2025/08/27) [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. (Posted: 2025/01/23) [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. (Posted: 2025/12/24) [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. (Posted: 2025/06/22) [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. (Posted: 2024/10/21) [Link].

(Preprint)

- **N. Kim**, S. Alikhani, and A. Alkhateeb, “LWM-Spectro: A Foundation Model for Wireless Baseband Signal Spectrograms,” *arXiv preprint arXiv:2601.08780*, 2026. (Posted: 2026/01/13) (Self-supervised foundation model for wireless I/Q spectrograms with strong transfer to downstream tasks.) [Link].

Projects

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

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**

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

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