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## RESEARCH INTEREST

MHD, Stability, Negative triangularity, High performance computing, Artificial Intelligence(AI)

## EDUCATION

- **Seoul National University** Mar 2026 - Seoul, Korea  
*Department of Energy Resources Engineering*
  - M.S. Candidate, Nuclear Engineering
- **Seoul National University** Mar 2021 - Feb 2025 Seoul, Korea  
*College of Liberal Studies*
  - B.S., Computer Science and Engineering Major
  - B.S., Physics Program Major

## EXPERIENCE

- **Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory (PPPL)** Jul 2025 – Aug 2025 Princeton, NJ, USA  
*Visiting Research Student*
  - Selected as one students for the SNU–PPPL joint research program on 3D fusion plasma physics
- **Dept. of Nuclear Engineering, Seoul National University** Sep 2023 – Present Seoul, Korea  
*Undergraduate Research Assistant*

**Advisor: Prof. Jong-Kyu Park**

  - Utilized GPEC and DCON simulations to compare kinetic stabilization effects in PT vs. NT tokamaks and analyzed radial profiles of perturbed equilibria
  - Utilized GPEC and DCON simulations to compare kinetic stabilization effects in PT vs. NT tokamaks

**Advisor: Prof. Young-Suk Hwang**

  - Built a reproducible data pipeline for VEST tokamak by integrating diagnostics, EFIT–CHEASE–GPEC workflow, and Python-based tools compatible with IMAS and HSDS
  - Developed a Python package to automate data processing and visualization for VEST experiments, enhancing research efficiency and collaboration
- **Dept. of Energy Resources Engineering, Seoul National University** April 2022 - Dec 2022 Seoul, Korea  
*Undergraduate Research Participant*

**Advisor: Prof. Jin soo Kang**

  - Participated in electrochemical lithium recovery experiments using CDI methods and evaluated system scalability by comparing theoretical and actual Li-ion recovery efficiency

## PUBLICATIONS

C=CONFERENCE, J=JOURNAL, R=IN REVIEW, S=IN SUBMISSION, T=THESIS

- [R.1] Hong-Sik Yun<sup>†</sup>, Sun-jae Lee<sup>†</sup>, Laurent Jung, et al. (2025). **Developing an IMAS-Compatible Platform for the University-Level Tokamak VEST and Its Application in Operating Characteristics Analysis**. *Plasma Physics and Controlled Fusion*, Vol. XX, Issue X, pp. XXX-XXX. DOI: XX.XXXX/XXXXX.XXXX.XXXXXXX

<sup>†</sup> These authors contributed equally to this work.

## PRESENTATIONS

P=POSTER PRESENTATION, O=ORAL PRESENTATION, A=ABSTRACT

- [P.4] Sunjae Lee, et al. (2025). "Kinetic stability of negative-triangularity plasmas". *67th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Plasma Physics*, Long Beach, California USA (Nov, 2025)
- [P.3] Sunjae Lee, et al. (2025). "Kinetic stability of negative-triangularity plasmas". *29th Workshop on MHD Stability Control*, Princeton, New Jersey, USA (July, 2025)
- [P.2] Sunjae Lee, et al. (2025). "Standardized Data Infrastructure for Tokamak: Implementation in VEST (Versatile Experiment spherical tokamak)". *2025 Spring meeting of the Korean Physics Society*, Seoul, Korea (April, 2025)
- [P.1] Sunjae Lee, et al. (2024). "Improvements of database system and analysis suite in VEST". *3rd International Fusion and Plasma conference (IFPC)*, Seoul, Korea (June 2024)

## PROJECTS AND AWARDS

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- **Perturbed Equilibrium Code Hackathon – Columbia Fusion Research Center** Jul 2025  
*Tools: Julia, GPEC (reference), Plasma Physics Modeling* Collaborative Hackathon Project
  - Will participate in a 3-day intensive hackathon to reproduce key functionalities of the GPEC equilibrium and response simulation package in Julia
  - Collaborate with undergraduate and graduate students to implement open-source plasma stability tools
  - Focus on real-time performance and software modularity for physics-informed code design in fusion simulation
- **High-Performance CUDA Programming Project – Accelerator Programming Summer School** June 2024  
*Tools: CUDA, NVIDIA GPU, Nsight, C++*
  - Completed program focused on GPU acceleration and CUDA optimization techniques at SNU
  - Developed CUDA-based performance tuning project in 2-person team, including kernel design and profiling
- **Text-to-Image Generation using Conditional GAN – 2023 OUTTA Deep Learning Bootcamp** Jun 2023 – Aug 2023  
*Tools: PyTorch, Conditional GAN, Google Colab* 2nd Prize Winner
  - Built a text-to-image generation model using conditional GAN architecture
  - Presented final results at bootcamp showcase and awarded 2nd prize among top-university teams
- **“Pairing” – SKYCC Hackathon** May 2023  
*Tools: Node.js, MongoDB, AWS, Slack API* Selected for Best Idea
  - Developed backend infrastructure for a web app; Designed data model and REST API endpoints using Node.js and MongoDB, deployed via AWS
  - Collaborated in a hackathon supported by AWS, Elastic, and Slack Korea

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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- **Teaching Assistant** Sep 2025 - Dec 2025  
*Seoul National University, Computer Architecture* 
  - Key responsibility or achievement in this role
  - Quantifiable impact or improvement made during tenure

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

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- **Volunteer Role A** Month Year - Month Year  
*Organization Name* 
  - Key responsibility or contribution in this role
  - Impact of your volunteer work
  - Skills developed or applied during this experience

## SKILLS & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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- **Programming Languages:** Python, C/C++, Fortran, Java, Linux, CUDA, MATLAB, OpenCL, MPI / OpenMP
- **Simulation Tools:** DCON, GPEC
- **TOEFL iBT Score:** 102/120 (Reading 26, Listening 28, Speaking 25, Writing 23)