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Education

University of California Berkeley

Ph.D in Mathematics

Berkeley

2018 – Present

- On leave for military service (2019 Fall - 2022 Summer)
- Advisor: Sug Woo Shin

Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH)

M.S in Mathematics

Pohang

2017 – 2018

- Thesis: *Maass wave forms, quantum modular forms and Hecke operators*
- Advisor: YoungJu Choie

Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH)

B.S. in Mathematics

Pohang

2013 – 2017

- *Summa Cum Laude* with top honours in mathematics
- Honor's thesis: *Quantum modular forms and Hecke operators*

Experiences

CryptoLab

Research Engineer

Seoul

2021.05 – 2022.07

- Research on Homomorphic Encryption and application in Machine Learning

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Research Scientist

Seoul

2019.07 – 2021.05

- Research on Knowledge Tracing, Score Prediction, Student Dropout Prediction, Item Recommendation

Research Interests

- Number theory, Automorphic Forms and Representations, Analytic Number Theory, Algebraic Number Theory, Relative Langlands Program
- Deep learning, Natural Language Processing, Homomorphic Encryption, Formalization of mathematics

Publications

- Math

1. J. Baek, **S. Lee**, *An equilateral triangle of side $> n$ cannot be covered by $n^2 + 1$ unit equilateral triangles homothetic to it*, accepted to American Mathematical Monthly
2. D. Choi, **S. Lee**, *Non-archimedean Sendov's conjecture*, *p*-adic numbers, Ultrametric Analysis and Applications 14, 77-80 (2022)
3. **S. Lee**, *Maass wave forms*, *Quantum Modular Forms and Hecke Operators*, Res. Mathematical Science 6, 7 (2018), Modular Forms are Everywhere: Celebration of Don Zagier's 65th Birthday
4. **S. Lee**, *Quantum Modular Forms and Hecke Operators*, Res. Number Theory 4, 18 (2018)
5. Y. Chen, R. Chernov, M. Flores, M. F. Bourque, **S. Lee**, B. Yang, *Toy Teichmüller spaces of real dimension 2: the pentagon and the punctured triangle*, Geom. Dedicata 197 (2018), 193-227

- Others

1. **S. Lee**, G. Lee, J. Kim, J. Shin, M. Lee, *HETAL: Efficient Privacy-preserving Transfer Learning with Homomorphic Encryption*, International Conference on Machine Learning. 2023 (Oral, 155/6538)
2. **S. Lee**, J. Kim, *Revisiting the Convergence Theorem for Competitive Bidding in Common Value Actions*, Economic Theory Bulletin 10, 293-302 (2022)
3. **S. Lee**, K. Kim, J. Shin, J. Park, *Tracing Knowledge for Tracing Dropouts: Multi-Task Training for Study Session Dropout Prediction*, Educational Data Mining. 2021
4. M. Kim, Y. Shim, **S. Lee**, H. Loh, J. Park, *Behavioral Testing of Deep Knowledge Tracing Models*, Educational Data Mining 2021
5. H. Loh, D. Shin, **S. Lee**, J. Baek, C. Hwang, Y. Lee, Y. Cha, S. Kwon, J. Park and Y. Choi, *Recommendation for Effective Standardized Exam Preparation*, LAK21: 11th International Learning Analytics and Knowledge Conference. 2021
6. D. Shin, Y. Shim, H. Yu, **S. Lee**, B. Kim, Y. Choi, *SAINT+: Integrating Temporal Features for EdNet Correctness Prediction*, LAK21: 11th International Learning Analytics and Knowledge Conference. 2021
7. Y. Choi, Y. Lee, D. Shin, J. Cho, S. Park, **S. Lee**, J. Baek, B. Kim, Y. Jang, *EdNet: A Large-Scale Hierarchical Dataset in Education*, International Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Education (2021), 69-73
8. J. Kim, **S. Lee**, *Joint Liability and Stochastic Shapley Value*, International Review of Law & Economics 60 (2019), 1-8

Preprints

1. **S. Lee**, *Algebraic proof of modular form inequalities for optimal sphere packings*. arXiv:2406.14659
2. J. Baek, **S. Lee**, *Formalizing Mason–Stothers Theorem and its consequences*. In preparation

Awards, Grants & Honours

Department of Mathematics Summer Grant, UC Berkeley 2024 Summer
 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley 2024 Spring
 Graduate Student Researcher, UC Berkeley 2023 Spring, Summer
 Kwanjeong Educational Foundation Scholarship, KEF 2017–2018
 Excellency Award (Top Honours), Dept. of Mathematics, POSTECH 2017
 POSTECH Outstanding Talent Development Scholarship, POSTECH 2013–2016
 National Science and Technology Scholarship, KOSAF 2013–2016
 Silver medals, Undergraduate Mathematical Competition, KMS 2013, 2015, 2016
 31st place, ACM-ICPC Daejeon Regional, ACM 2015
 Grand prize, POSTECH Programming Contest, Dept. of Computer Science, POSTECH 2015
 Honorable mention, Korean Olympiad of Informatics, NIA 2012

Teaching Experience

Graduate Student Instructor (T.A.)

UC Berkeley

Berkeley
2019 – Present

- (2024 Spring) Methods of Mathematics: Calculus, Statistics, and Combinatorics
- (2023 Fall) Methods of Mathematics: Calculus, Statistics, and Combinatorics
- (2022 Fall) Multivariable Calculus
- (2019 Spring) Methods of Mathematics: Calculus, Statistics, and Combinatorics

Directed Reading Program

UC Berkeley

Berkeley
2023

- (2023 Fall) Elliptic curves (Jacob Martin)
- (2023 Spring) p -adic numbers (Lucas Xie)

Graduate Student Reader (Grader)

UC Berkeley

Berkeley
2018

- (2018 Fall) Introduction to Abstract Algebra

Grader & T.A.

POSTECH

Pohang
2015 – 2018

- (2018 Spring) Differential Manifolds and Lie groups (Graduate course)
- (2017 Fall) Modern Algebra II
- (2017 Spring) Calculus
- (2016 Fall) Applied Linear Algebra (Undergraduate T.A.)
- (2015 Winter) POSTECH Potential Development Camp for High School Students

Tutoring

POSTECH

Pohang
2014 – 2015

- (2015 Spring) Calculus
- (2015 Spring) Modern Algebra I
- (2014 Fall) Analysis II
- (2014 Spring) Analysis I






Talks

- Research Talks
 - POSTECH Number Theory Seminar, Pohang, May 2024.
Algebraic proof of modular form inequalities for optimal sphere packings
 - Student Number Theory Seminar, Berkeley, April 2024.
Algebraic proof of Viazovska's inequalities
 - School of Mathematics, KIAS, Seoul, December 2023.
A new proof of Viazovska's modular form inequality and beyond
 - International Conference on Machine Learning, Hawaii, US, July 2023.
HETAL: Efficient Privacy-preserving Transfer Learning with Homomorphic Encryption
 - Center for Artificial Intelligence and Natural Sciences, KIAS, Seoul, June 2023.
HETAL: Efficient Privacy-preserving Transfer Learning with Homomorphic Encryption
 - School of Computing, KAIST, Daejeon, June 2023.
HETAL: Efficient Privacy-preserving Transfer Learning with Homomorphic Encryption
 - 1st FHE.org workshop, Trondheim, May 2022.
Encrypted Multinomial Logistic Regression Training with Softmax Approximation
 - Workshop for Young Mathematicians in Korea, Online, January 2022
Hitchhiker's guide to non-archimedean world
 - Graduate student seminar, Sogang University, Seoul, July 2018
Maass wave forms, quantum modular forms and Hecke operators
 - Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, June 2018
Maass wave forms, quantum modular forms and Hecke operators
 - NCTS-POSTECH Number Theory Workshop, NTU, Taiwan, December 2017
Quantum modular forms and Hecke operators
- Expository Talks
 - Student Number Theory Seminar, Berkeley, March 2024.
Linear Programming Beyond Sphere Packing
 - Orbit methods and automorphic forms learning seminar, Berkeley, Oct 2023.
Gan–Gross–Prasad conjectures
 - Student Number Theory Seminar, Berkeley, Nov 2022.
Shimura correspondence and Waldspurger's formula
 - Instructional Workshop on Class Field Theory, KIAS, Seoul, January 2018
Proof of the main theorem of local class field theory

Languages

- Korean (native), English (fluent)
- Python (PyTorch, Numpy, Pandas), C/C++, \LaTeX , SAGE Math, MATLAB, Haskell, Lean

Miscellaneous (click the icons)

- Working as a reviewer for Mathematical Reviews (2022~) 
- GitHub blog on various topics 
- Math Stackexchange  & Math Overflow 
- Speedcuber 
- DJ (Techno, Trance, House) 