

# Seok-Hyung Lee

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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## EMPLOYMENT

Sep 2025 – Present | **Assistant Professor** | **Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU)**

**Department:** Department of Quantum Information Engineering, College of Engineering

**Location:** Suwon, Gyeonggi-do, Republic of Korea

Mar 2023 – Sep 2025 | **Postdoctoral Associate** | **University of Sydney**

**Group:** Quantum Theory Group, School of Physics

**Location:** Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

**Mentor:** Prof. Stephen D. Bartlett

## EDUCATION

Mar 2017 – Feb 2023 | **Ph. D. in Physics** | **Seoul National University**

**Group:** SNU Quantum Information Science Group, Department of Physics and Astronomy

**Location:** Seoul, Republic of Korea

**Advisor:** Prof. Hyunseok Jeong

**Thesis:** Universal Resource-Efficient Topological Measurement-Based Quantum Computing  
(Awarded the *BK Excellent Thesis Award*)

**GPA:** 3.93 / 4.30

Mar 2013 – Feb 2017 | **Bachelor in Physics** | **Seoul National University**

**Location:** Seoul, Republic of Korea

**GPA:** 3.89 / 4.30 (*Graduated with Honours*)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research primarily focuses on **developing and optimising resource-efficient, fault-tolerant quantum computing strategies** through quantum error correction. This includes areas such as decoding, logical operations, magic state preparation, syndrome extraction, and code construction. I am also particularly interested in **photonic platforms**.

During my postdoc at the University of Sydney, I have explored **2D color codes** by designing a high-performance decoding algorithm and efficient magic state distillation schemes. In my Ph.D., I investigated **measurement-based quantum computing with photonic qubits**, addressing challenges like photon loss and non-deterministic entangling operations.

In the long term, I aim to develop strategies that **bridge the gap between theory and experimental implementation**. My goal is to construct practical, integrated schemes that can be directly applied to real quantum hardware, ensuring they remain generalisable to suit evolving architectures.

## SKILLS

- Experienced in Python programming
  - Data analysis with NumPy, SciPy, and pandas
  - Graph analysis with NetworkX and igraph
  - QEC libraries such as Stim (Clifford circuit simulation) and PyMatching (decoding)
  - Package development

## MENTORSHIP

- **(2024)** *Andrew Li*, Honours Student at The University of Sydney  
Thesis: *Decoding twist defects on the color code*  
(Awarded the University Medal)  
Summary: Twist defects can be used to define logical qubits in color codes, but corresponding decoding strategies have yet to be developed. We design a decoding algorithm for a triangular color code with a pair of twist defects, demonstrating a threshold comparable to that of a standard triangular color code.

## PUBLICATIONS

### 2025

- SHL, F. Thomsen, N. Fazio, B. J. Brown, S. D. Bartlett,  
*Low-Overhead Magic State Distillation with Color Codes*, PRX Quantum 6, 030317 (2025).
- SHL, A. Li, and S. D. Bartlett,  
*Color code decoder with improved scaling for correcting circuit-level noise*, Quantum 9, 1609 (2025).

### 2024

- **[Magazine]** SHL,  
색 부호를 활용한 결함허용 양자컴퓨팅 (Fault-Tolerant Quantum Computing with the Color Code), 물리학과 첨단기술 (Physics and High Technology) 33, 17 (2024).
- J. Lee, N. Kang, SHL, H. Jeong, L. Jiang, and S.-W. Lee,  
*Fault-Tolerant Quantum Computation by Hybrid Qubits with Bosonic Cat Code and Single Photons*, PRX Quantum 5, 030322 (2024).

### 2023

- SHL and H. Jeong,  
*Graph-theoretical optimization of fusion-based graph state generation*, Quantum 7, 1212 (2023).
- **[Conference]** H. Jeong, SHL, S. Omkar, Y. S. Teo,  
*Highly fault-tolerant quantum computing using both discrete and continuous variables of light*, in Optica Quantum 2.0 Conference and Exhibition (Optica Publishing Group, 2023) p. QTu4A.6.
- SHL, S. Omkar, Y. S. Teo, and H. Jeong,  
*Parity-encoding-based quantum computing with Bayesian error tracking*, npj Quantum Inf. 9, 39 (2023).

- Y. S. Teo, S. Shin, H. Kwon, SHL, and H. Jeong,  
*Virtual distillation with noise dilution*, Phys. Rev. A 107, 022608 (2023).

## 2022

- S. Omkar, SHL, Y. S. Teo, S.-W. Lee, and H. Jeong,  
*All-photonic architecture for scalable quantum computing with Greenberger-Horne-Zeilinger States*, PRX Quantum 3, 030309 (2022).
- SHL and H. Jeong,  
*Universal hardware-efficient topological measurement-based quantum computation via color-code-based cluster states*, Phys. Rev. Research 4, 013010 (2022).

## 2021

- SHL, S.-W. Lee, and H. Jeong,  
*Loss-tolerant concatenated Bell-state measurement with encoded coherent-state qubits for long-range quantum communication*, Phys. Rev. Research 3, 043205 (2021).

## 2020

- S. Choi, SHL, and H. Jeong,  
*Teleportation of a multiphoton qubit using hybrid entanglement with a loss-tolerant carrier qubit*, Phys. Rev. A 102, 012424 (2020).

## SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENTS

- *ConcatMatching*: Python package implementing the generalised concatenated matching decoder for decoding arbitrary stabiliser codes (2024),  
<https://github.com/seokhyung-lee/ConcatMatching>
- *color-code-stim*: Python module for simulating and decoding color code circuits (2024),  
<https://github.com/seokhyung-lee/color-code-stim>
- *OptGraphState*: Python package for graph-theoretical optimization of fusion-based graph state generation (2023),  
<https://github.com/seokhyung-lee/OptGraphState>

## PATENTS

- H. Jeong, SHL, Y. S. Teo, S. Omkar,  
*METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LINEAR OPTICAL QUANTUM COMPUTING*,  
US Patent, App. 18/075327 (2024) & KR Patent, App. 1020220120561 (2024)

## PRESENTATIONS

### Contributed conference talks

- *Low-overhead magic state distillation with color codes*,  
Quantum Computing Theory in Practice (QCTiP), Berlin, Germany (24.04.2025)
- **[Long talk]** *Color code decoder with improved scaling for correcting circuit-level noise*,  
24th Asian Quantum Information Science Conference, Sapporo, Japan (26.08.2024)
- *Linear optical quantum computing tolerant to non-ideal fusions and photon losses*,  
15th Asia Pacific Physics Conference, Gyeongju, Republic of Korea, online (24.08.2022)
- *Loss-tolerant optical measurement-based quantum computing with incomplete fusion operations*,  
Optics and Photonics Congress 2022, Jeju, Republic of Korea (03.07.2022)

- *Universal hardware-efficient topological measurement-based quantum computation via color-code-based cluster states*,  
33rd Optical Society of Korea Winter Conference, Daejeon, Republic of Korea (17.02.2022)

### Invited talks

- *Low-Overhead Magic State Distillation with Color Codes*,  
IQM QEC Journal Club, IQM Quantum Computers, München, Germany, online (10.07.2025)
- **[Tutorial Series]** *Toward Fault-Tolerant Photonic Quantum Computing 2*,  
SAIT Seminar, Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology, Suwon, Republic of Korea, online  
(Part 1: 20.06.2025, Part 2: 18.07.2025, Part 3: 22.08.2025)
- *Challenge of Decoding 2D Color Codes*,  
PsiQuantum-USYD Workshop, PsiQuantum, Palo Alto, California, USA (11.06.2025)
- *Low-overhead magic state distillation with color codes*,  
KIST Seminar, Center for Quantum Technology, Korea Institute of Science and Technology, Seoul,  
Republic of Korea (19.05.2025)
- *Challenge of Decoding 2D Color Codes*,  
Post-QCTiP Workshop, Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany (28.04.2025)
- *Towards resource-efficient fault-tolerant quantum computing with error correction*,  
SKKU Seminar, Qcenter, Sungkyunkwan University, Suwon, Republic of Korea (02.01.2025)
- *Low-overhead magic state distillation with color codes*,  
KAIST Seminar, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), Daejeon, Republic of  
Korea (23.12.2024)
- *Low-overhead magic state distillation with color codes*,  
Joint PsiQuantum-USYD Workshop, University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia (25.09.2024)
- *Graph-theoretical optimization of fusion-based graph state generation*,  
Foxconn Quantum Computing Center Weekly Seminar, Hon Hai Quantum Computing Research Center,  
Taipei, Taiwan, online (17.05.2024)
- **[Tutorial Series]** *Toward Fault-tolerant Photonic Quantum Computing*,  
SAIT Seminar, Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology, Suwon, Republic of Korea  
(Part 1: 18.04.2024, Part 2: 05.06.2024 online, Part 3: 12.07.2024 online)
- *Color code decoder with improved scaling for correcting circuit-level noise*,  
CMQC Seminar, Center for Macroscopic Quantum Control, Seoul National University, Seoul, Republic of  
Korea (15.04.2024)
- *Color code decoder with improved scaling for correcting circuit-level noise*,  
KIST Seminar, Center for Quantum Information, Korea Institute of Science and Technology, Seoul,  
Republic of Korea (11.04.2024)
- *Color code decoder with improved scaling for correcting circuit-level noise*,  
KIAS Seminar, School of Computational Sciences, Korea Institute for Advanced Study, Seoul, Republic of  
Korea (09.04.2024)
- *Color code decoder with improved scaling for correcting circuit-level noise*,  
Coogee'24 Sydney Quantum Information Theory Workshop, Sydney, Australia (03.04.2024)

- *Low-overhead Lattice-surgery-based Quantum Computing with the Color Code*,  
QST Seminar, Research Institute of Mathematics, Seoul National University, Seoul, Republic of Korea (15.03.2024)
- *Pauli-product-measurement-based Quantum Computing with Two-dimensional Color Codes*,  
CMQC Seminar, Center for Macroscopic Quantum Control, Seoul National University, Seoul, Republic of Korea (04.09.2023)
- *Parity-encoding-based linear-optical quantum computing with graph-theoretical optimization of cluster state generation*,  
KIST Workshop on Quantum Information Theory 2022, Center for Quantum Information, Korea Institute of Science and Technology, Seoul, Republic of Korea (19.12.2022)
- *Parity-encoding-based linear-optical quantum computing with Bayesian error tracking*,  
Quantum Information Science Strategy, KOFST 2022 BrainLink X-Lab Day, Yeosu, Republic of Korea (15.12.2022)
- *Universal hardware-efficient topological measurement-based quantum computing via color-code-based cluster states*,  
KIST Seminar, Center for Quantum Information, Korea Institute of Science and Technology, Seoul, Republic of Korea (30.05.2022)
- *Universal resource-efficient topological measurement-based quantum computation via color-code-based cluster states*,  
QST Seminar, Research Institute of Mathematics, Seoul National University, Seoul, Republic of Korea (12.11.2021)

## Posters

- *Low-Overhead Magic State Distillation with Color Codes*,  
7th International Conference on Quantum Error Correction (QEC25), New Haven, Connecticut, USA (11.08.2025)
- *Low-Overhead Magic State Distillation with Color Codes*,  
EQUS 2024 Annual Workshop, Noosa Heads, QLD, Australia (11.12.2024)
- *Low-Overhead Lattice-Surgery-Based Quantum Computing with the Color Code*,  
Quantum Information Processing 2024, Taipei, Taiwan (16.01.2024)
- *Low-Overhead Lattice-Surgery-Based Quantum Computing with the Color Code*,  
EQUS 2023 Annual Workshop, Perth, WA, Australia (21.11.2023)
- *Graph-theoretical optimization of fusion-based graph state generation*,  
6th International Conference on Quantum Error Correction (QEC23), Sydney, NSW, Australia (31.10.2023)
- *Graph-theoretical optimization of fusion-based graph state generation*,  
Asian Quantum Information Science Conference 2023, Seoul, Republic of Korea (31.08.2023)
- *Parity-encoding-based linear optical quantum computing with graph-theoretical optimization*,  
Bolder Boulder Quantum Workshop 2023, Boulder, Colorado, USA (20.06.2023)
- *Loss-tolerant all-optical quantum computing architecture using parity-state-encoded multiphoton qubits*,  
Quantum Information Processing 2023, Ghent, Belgium (06.02.2023)

- *Loss-tolerant multiphoton-qubit-based linear optical quantum computation with nonideal fusions,*  
Single Photon Workshop 2022, Seoul, Republic of Korea (03.11.2022)
- *Loss-tolerant linear optical quantum computation with non-ideal fusion operations,*  
5th Quantum Information Conference, Seoul, Republic of Korea (28.06.2022)
- **[Awarded]** *Universal resource-efficient topological measurement-based quantum computation via color-code-based cluster states,*  
21st Asian Quantum Information Science Conference, Tokyo, Japan, online (02.09.2021)
- *Loss-tolerant concatenated Bell-state measurement with coherent-state qubits,*  
20th Asian Quantum Information Science Conference, Sydney, Australia, online (08.12.2020)

## AWARDS

- *Graduate Student Research Award*  
by Department of Physics and Astronomy, Seoul National University (24.02.2023)
- *Best Student Poster Award*  
in 21st Asian Quantum Information Science Conference (04.09.2021)
- *Graduated with Honours*  
by Department of Physics and Astronomy, Seoul National University (24.02.2017)

## CONTRIBUTIONS

- I am an active reviewer of the following journals: *Quantum*, *PRX Quantum*, *Physical Review Letters*, *Physical Review A*, *Quantum Information Processing*, and *IEEE Transactions on Network Science and Engineering*.
- I was a member of the scientific organising committee for the **Coogee'25 Sydney Quantum Information Theory Workshop** (10–13 February 2025, Coogee, Sydney, NSW, Australia).