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## Education

### Sejong University

Seoul, South Korea

PH.D. CANDIDATE (M.S./PH.D. INTEGRATED PROGRAM) IN INTELLIGENT MECHATRONICS

Mar.2021 - Current

#### ENGINEERING

- Overall GPA : 4.43/4.5
- Supervised by Prof. Yukyung Choi

### Sejong University

Seoul, South Korea

B.S IN INTELLIGENCE MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING

Mar.2019 - Feb.2021

- Honors: Magna cum laude (Overall GPA : 3.71/4.5)

## Publications

### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

#### MLPD : Multi Label Pedestrian Detection in Multispectral Domain

Oct, 2021

JIWON KIM\*, HYEONGJUN KIM\*, **TAEJOO KIM\***, NAMIL KIM, YUKYUNG CHOI.

- IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L) with IROS, October 2021
- Q2 69.64 / IF 3.856

### INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL

#### INSANet: INtra-INter Spectral Attention Network for Effective Feature Fusion of Multispectral Pedestrian Detection

Fep, 2024

SANGIN LEE\*, **TAEJOO KIM\***, JEONGMIN SHIN, NAMIL KIM AND YUKYUNG CHOI

- Sensors
- Q2 / IF 3.847

#### Multispectral Benchmark Dataset and Baseline for Forklift Collision Avoidance

Sep, 2022

HYEONGJUN KIM\*, **TAEJOO KIM\***, WON JO, JIWON KIM, JUNGMIN SHIN, DAECHAN HAN, YUJIN

HWANG AND YUKYUNG CHOI

- Sensors
- Q2 / IF 3.847

#### Crop Growth Monitoring System in Vertical Farms Based on Region-of-Interest Prediction

July, 2022

YUJIN HWANG\*, SEUNGHYEON LEE, **TAEJOO KIM\***, KYEONGHOON BAIK AND YUKYUNG CHOI

- Agriculture
- Q1 78.33 / IF 3.408

#### Instance-Aware Plant Disease Detection by Utilizing Saliency Map and Self-Supervised Pre-Training

July, 2022

**TAEJOO KIM\***, HYEONGJUN KIM, KYEONGHOON BAIK, YUKYUNG CHOI

- Agriculture
- Q1 78.33 / IF 3.408

### DOMESTIC CONFERENCES

<p><b>Towards Robust 3D Perception in Emergency Condition: An Analysis on Commercial Depth Sensors</b></p> <p>GEONHAW SON, SANGIN LEE, <b>TAEJOO KIM</b>, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transactions of the Korean Nuclear Society Spring Meeting (TKNS)</li> </ul>	May, 2024
<p><b>6-DOF Object Pose Estimation in Aerosol Conditions: Benchmark Dataset and Baseline</b></p> <p>HEEJIN YANG, SEUNGHYEON LEE, <b>TAEJOO KIM</b>, YUKYUNG CHOI,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journal of Institute of Control, Robotics, and Systems (IJCAS)</li> </ul>	May, 2024
<p><b>Pseudo-RGB based Place Recognition through Thermal to RGB Image Translation</b></p> <p>GEONHAW SON, SANGIN LEE, <b>TAEJOO KIM</b>, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Journal of Korea Robotics Society (JKRS)</li> </ul>	Feb, 2023
<p><b>Defect Detection for Electrical Facilities based on Multispectral Imagery</b></p> <p>HYEONGJUN KIM*, <b>TAEJOO KIM*</b>, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journal of Institute of Control, Robotics, and Systems (IJCAS)</li> </ul>	Mar, 2022
<b>DOMESTIC CONFERENCES</b>	
<p><b>Research Trends in Manipulator Control Policies Based on LLM and VLM</b></p> <p>JAECHAN LEE, <b>TAEJOO KIM</b>, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Korea Robotics Society Annual Conference (KRoC 2025)</li> </ul>	Feb, 2025
<p><b>Cross-and-Parallel Attentions for Multispectral Pedestrian Detection</b></p> <p>SANGIN LEE, <b>TAEJOO KIM</b>, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Korea Robotics Society Annual Conference (KRoC 2024)</li> </ul>	Feb, 2024
<p><b>Attention-Based Multispectral Pedestrian Detection under Varying Illumination Conditions</b></p> <p>SANGIN LEE*, DOGYEUNG KIM, HYEONGJUN KIM, <b>TAEJOO KIM</b>, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 35th Workshop on Image Processing and Image Understanding (IPIU 2023)</li> </ul>	Feb, 2023
<p><b>3rd Place Solution to NAVER LABS Mapping &amp; Localization Challenge 2020: Outdoor Track</b></p> <p>JIWON KIM*, <b>TAEJOO KIM*</b>, YUJIN HWANG*, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 33rd Workshop on Image Processing and Image Understanding (IPIU 2021)</li> </ul>	Feb, 2021
<p><b>R2T2: RGB-Thermal-Depth Dataset for Pedestrian Detection</b></p> <p><b>TAEJOO KIM</b>, JUNGMIN SHIN, WON JO, DAECHAN HAN, JIWON KIM, BYUNGJOO KIM, HYUNHO NAM, YUJIN HWANG, NAMHOON KIM, YUKYUNG CHOI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 32rd Workshop on Image Processing and Image Understanding (IPIU 2020)</li> </ul>	Feb, 2020

## Research Experience \_\_\_\_\_

### ONGOING PROJECTS

<p><b>Development of robotic manipulation task learning based on Foundation model to understand and reason about task situations</b></p> <p>FUNDED BY THE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION PROGRAM UNDER THE MINISTRY OF TRADE, INDUSTRY &amp; ENERGY (MOTIE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing a manipulator for interpreting ambiguous commands and executing autonomous actions.</li> <li>• Research on a Language Model Program for understanding ambiguous commands and generating context-aware robotic tasks.</li> <li>• Developing a 3D Language Field for embedding language-based task information directly into spatial representations.</li> </ul>	<p>Sejong Univ</p> <p>Sep. 2024 - Current</p>
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**Development of artificial intelligence software for unseen object manipulation that integrates prompt and situation-specific unseen object recognition and arbitrary gripper shape analysis through gripper self-observation**

Sejong Univ

FUNDED BY THE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION PROGRAM UNDER THE MINISTRY OF TRADE, INDUSTRY & ENERGY (MOTIE)

Apr. 2024 - Current

- Development of a segmentation model for unseen object manipulation.
- Developing robust open-world object segmentation through continuous learning for unseen objects.

**Development of core technology for indoor unmanned platform and leakage blocking for accident response at operating nuclear power plants**

Sejong Univ

FUNDED BY THE NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF KOREA (NRF) AND THE UNMANNED VEHICLE ADVANCED RESEARCH CENTER (UVARC) UNDER THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND ICT

Mar. 2023 - Current

- Development of robust 3D object detection and 6D pose estimation for workspace recognition and panel operation in low-light and high-density aerosol environments during nuclear accidents.

## COMPLETED PROJECTS

**Development of AI-based HD map building and crop image analysis for smart farm agricultural automation robots**

Sejong Univ

FUNDED BY THE INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY PLANNING & EVALUATION (IITP) UNDER THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND ICT

Jun. 2023 - May. 2024

- Development of 3D detection for crop recognition to automate harvesting in smart farm environments.
- Research on 3D detection techniques for estimating crop stem-axis heading considering harvesting methods.

**Development of a Precise Localization and Hazard Detection Algorithm for Electric Facility Monitoring Robots through Magnetic Map and Visual Information Fusion**

Sejong Univ

FUNDED BY KOREA ELECTRIC POWER CORPORATION (KEPCO)

Jan. 2021 - Dec. 2023

- Development of an anomaly detection model for unmanned robots to identify defects in electrical facilities.
- Research on thermal-based fault detection for monitoring heat anomalies caused by aging and leakage in electrical facilities.

**A Fault-tolerant Fusion Method for Robust Visual Localization**

Sejong Univ

FUNDED BY THE NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF KOREA (NRF) UNDER THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND ICT (MSIT)

Apr. 2020 - Feb. 2023

- Development of a fault-tolerant fusion method for precise visual-inertial odometry in disaster-stricken environments, ensuring robustness against low-light conditions, motion blur, and sensor failures.
- Research on RGB-IMU sensor fusion for resilient visual-inertial odometry, addressing sensor loss, synchronization slip, and adverse environmental factors affecting robotic navigation.

**A Fault-tolerant Fusion Method for Robust Pedestrian Detection**

Sejong Univ

FUNDED BY THE NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF KOREA (NRF) UNDER THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND ICT (MSIT)

Sep. 2018 - Aug. 2020

- Development of an adaptive fusion method for pedestrian detection, ensuring robust performance under sensor failures and adverse environmental conditions using RGB-Thermal fusion.
- Research on multi-label pedestrian detection in the multispectral domain, leveraging deep learning-based RGB-Thermal fusion to improve recognition under sensor degradation, occlusions, and environmental noise.

## Patents

**Object detection method and apparatus in multispectral domain using multi-label learning**

Oct. 2023

YUKYUNG CHOI, **TAEJOO KIM**, JIWON KIM, HYEONGJUN KIM, NAMIL KIM

- Korea patent (patent application) No.10-2590622

**Method and apparatus for multispectral pedestrian detection based on attentional-based illumination environment**

Aug. 2023

YUKYUNG CHOI, **TAEJOO KIM**, SANGIN LEE, DOGYEUNG KIM, HYEONGJUN KIM

- Korea patent (applied) No.10-2023-0106387

## Awards

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- 2021 **Best Excellence Prize**, 13th IDIS-ETNEWS ICT Paper Contest, Republic of Korea  
2020 **3rd Prize**, NAVER LABS MAPPING & LOCALIZATION CHALLENGE, Republic of Korea

## Teaching Experience

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### GRADUATE COURSES

#### **Introduction to Deep Learning**

*Spring, 2024. Fall, 2023*

INSTRUCTOR: PROF. YUKYUNG CHOI

- Role: TA

#### **Computer Vision**

*Fall, 2023*

INSTRUCTOR: PROF. YUKYUNG CHOI

- Role: TA

### UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

#### **Deep Learning System**

*Spring, 2023. Fall, 2022*

INSTRUCTOR: PROF. YUKYUNG CHOI

- Role: TA, Head TA

#### **Artificial Intelligence**

*Fall, 2021*

INSTRUCTOR: PROF. YUKYUNG CHOI

- Role: TA

#### **Machine Learning**

*Spring, 2021. Fall, 2020*

INSTRUCTOR: PROF. YUKYUNG CHOI

- Role: Head TA, TA