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RESEARCH INTERESTS

I have a broad interest in generative models that work across various modalities (images, video, text) and their applications. Much of my recent research involves using such multimodal systems to drive tangible solutions for practical, real-world challenges. **Keywords:** Multi-modal generative models, Image & video diffusion models, Inverse problems

EDUCATION

2/2024 - 2/2026	Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST) M.S., Artificial Intelligence (Advisor: Jong Chul Ye) GPA: 4.25/4.3	Seoul, South Korea
2/2018 - 2/2024	Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST) B.S., Computer Science, Biological Sciences (Double Major) Leave of Absence: Mandatory Korean Military Service (2021, 2022) GPA: 3.96/4.3 (Magna Cum Laude)	Daejeon, South Korea
6/2018 - 8/2018	University of California, Berkeley Summer Session Tuition and stipend fully covered by KAIST Presidential Fellowship	Berkeley, CA
2/2015 - 2/2018	Daegu Science High School High school for gifted students in science and mathematics	Daegu, South Korea

PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

NeurIPS 2025 First Author	[C4] Chain-of-Zoom: Extreme Super-Resolution via Scale Autoregression and Preference Alignment Bryan Sangwoo Kim , Jeongsol Kim, Jong Chul Ye <i>Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, 2025</i> Spotlight Presentation (688/21575=3.19%) Links: 🌐 🐙 📄 Github Stars: 700+
ICCV 2025 First Author	[C3] FlowDPS: Flow-Driven Posterior Sampling for Inverse Problems Jeongsol Kim*, Bryan Sangwoo Kim* , Jong Chul Ye (*equal contribution) <i>IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision, 2025</i> Links: 🌐 📄
ICCV 2025 Second Author	[C2] Free²Guide: Training-Free Text-to-Video Alignment using Image LVLM Jaemin Kim, Bryan Sangwoo Kim , Jong Chul Ye <i>IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision, 2025</i> Links: 🌐 📄
CVPR 2025 First Author	[C1] VideoGuide: Improving Video Diffusion Models without Training Through a Teacher's Guide Dohun Lee*, Bryan Sangwoo Kim* , Geon Yeong Park, Jong Chul Ye (*equal contribution) <i>IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 2025</i> Links: 🌐 🐙 📄
Preprint First Author	[P2] Align Your Query: Representation Alignment for Multimodality Medical Object Detection Ara Seo*, Bryan Sangwoo Kim* , Hyungjin Chung, Jong Chul Ye (*equal contribution) Links: 🌐 📄
Preprint First Author	[P1] Extreme Blind Image Restoration via Prompt-Conditioned Information Bottleneck Hongeun Kim*, Bryan Sangwoo Kim* , Jong Chul Ye (*equal contribution) Links: 📄

PATENTS

2025	Method for Image Super-Resolution and Apparatus Jong Chul Ye, Bryan Sangwoo Kim , Jeongsol Kim Korean Patent, Filed, No. 10-2025-0112631, 2025	Filed Patent
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AWARDS & HONORS

2025	BISPL Best Master Student Award , KAIST BISPL
2025	Best Poster Presentation Award , Korean Society of Artificial Intelligence in Medicine (KoSAIM) Awarded in the Multimodal division for preprint [P2].
2024 - 2025	KAIST Graduate Scholarship , KAIST Full scholarship for tuition and stipend.
2020	KAIST Department Honors Scholarship (Department Valedictorian) , KAIST
2020 - 2023	National Excellence Scholarship (Natural Sciences & Engineering) , Korea Student Aid Foundation Full scholarship for tuition, living expenses support for undergraduate studies.
2018	KAIST Dean's List , KAIST
2018 - 2024	KAIST Presidential Fellowship (KPF) , Honor Society of KAIST
2018 - 2019	KAIST Undergraduate Scholarship , KAIST Full scholarship for tuition.
2016	Hansung Scholarship for Gifted Students (\$10,000) , Hansung Son Jae-han Scholarship Foundation

RESEARCH PROJECTS (GOVERNMENT/INDUSTRY)

7/2024 - Present	Acquisition of 3D Precise Information of Microstructure and Development of Authoring Technology for Ultra-high Precision Cultural Restoration <i>Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism (South Korea)</i> : Developed a recursive resolution enhancement algorithm to achieve high resolutions in reconstructed CT images. Incorporated algorithms to further enhance consistency across multiple scales. Conducted experiments to enhance the CT image resolutions of various artifact data.	Project Leader & Main Researcher
10/2024 - 3/2025	Development of a PPG-based Respiratory Rate Prediction Algorithm <i>Sky Labs Inc.</i> : Labeled respiratory rate segments using sensor data with peak detection algorithms. Developed and applied a template-matching SQL for data preprocessing. Developed a PPG foundation model with low-frequency VQVAE for time series tokenization and BERT for serial analysis. Trained a multi-token classifier with multiple token inputs and proved its effective prediction for a wide range of respiratory rates.	Project Leader & Main Researcher
3/2024 - 8/2024	Development of ECG-based Seizure Prediction, Detection, Post-Detection Models <i>Sky Labs Inc.</i> : Developed an ECG foundation model with VQVAE for time series tokenization and BERT for serial analysis. Applied techniques (e.g., contrastive learning) to improve representations. Leveraged the ECG foundation model on the downstream tasks of seizure prediction/detection/post-detection by training classifiers on [CLS] token outputs. Final evaluation demonstrated 100% accuracy on seizure detection.	Project Leader & Main Researcher

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

6/2023 - 8/2023	KAIST AI Research Internship (KAIRI) <i>Bioimaging, Signal Processing, & Learning Lab, KAIST (Advisor: Prof. Jong Chul Ye)</i> : Studied/implemented diffusion models and their various applications, especially regarding inverse problems. Conducted research into generative modeling of protein sequences.	Daejeon, South Korea
3/2023 - 4/2023	Research Service <i>Innerviz Co.</i> : Created a framework for accurate eye control (e.g., eye blink, gaze redirection) consisting of two distinct modules: a blink control module and a gaze redirection module. Used a novel data augmentation method to train each module, leveraging style mixing to obtain images with desired features. Work is organized and presented in the technical report 'EyeBAG: Accurate Control of Eye Blink and Gaze Based on Data Augmentation Leveraging Style Mixing' available on ArXiv. Link: A	Seoul, South Korea
9/2020 - 2/2021	Undergraduate Research Internship <i>Systems Neuroscience Laboratory, KAIST (Advisor: Prof. Min Whan Jung)</i> : Analyzed oscillatory neural activities (ripples) in the mouse brain hippocampus with the Allen Mouse Brain Atlas dataset. Leveraged machine learning techniques to explore patterns and anomalies in mouse neural activities.	Daejeon, South Korea
6/2019 - 12/2019	Undergraduate Research Internship <i>Brain x Machine Intelligence Lab, KAIST (Advisor: Prof. Sang Wan Lee)</i> : Developed software code for multi-voxel pattern analysis of fMRI neuroimaging data with MATLAB.	Daejeon, South Korea

TEACHING EXPERIENCE & OUTREACH

9/2025 - Present	Teaching Assistant @KAIST <i>KAIST - AI618: Generative Models and Unsupervised Learning</i>	Seoul, South Korea
7/2025 - 8/2025	Teaching Assistant @SK mySUNI Education Platform <i>SK mySUNI Sunny C Undergraduate Future-Competence Program</i> : Provided online mentorship for 'Business Applications of AI & Generative AI'. Coached participants on identifying high-ROI AI use cases and building hands-on LLM-driven workflows.	Seoul, South Korea
7/2025	Teaching Assistant @Samsung Financial Networks <i>Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance AI Business Expert Training Program</i> : Assisted hands-on workshop lectures on LLM basics, RAG, LangChain, and Streamlit prototyping.	Seoul, South Korea
8/2020 - 12/2020	Teaching Assistant & Mentor @KSOP (KAIST Science Outreach Program) <i>KAIST Science Outreach Program Online Academic Mentorship</i> : Provided online academic mentorship during the semester and intensive camp training during school break for socially disadvantaged students interested in mathematics and science.	Daejeon, South Korea
8/2019	Teaching Assistant & Mentor @Hansung Scholarship Summer Camp <i>6th Hansung Nobel Young Talent Scholarship Summer Camp</i> : Participated as a mentor for high school students in the field of bioengineering.	Seoul, South Korea

OTHER EXPERIENCE

9/2025	A Roundtable with Former Prime Minister Justin Trudeau: Global Governance and Democratic Values for AI Innovation @National AI Research Lab (NAIRL) <i>Hosted by National AI Research Lab & Mael Business Newspaper</i> : Engaged in a roundtable discussion with former Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, with a focus on Responsible AI (e.g., current AI models; global governance and partnerships on AI innovations; innovative AI applications for people's everyday lives and societal impacts).	Seoul, Korea
1/2020	Academic Collaboration Forum @Indian Institute of Technology, Madras <i>2020 KAIST-IITM Academic Collaboration Forum</i> : Participated in the 2020 KAIST-IITM Joint Research Challenge, organized between the KAIST Presidential Fellowship (KPF) group and the Centre for Innovation (CFI) group. Awarded 2nd place for proposing a solution to the challenge of 'Food Waste Management in Student Messes'.	Chennai, India
8/2019	Exploratory Research in Southeast Asia @Malaysia <i>Group Leadership Activity (GLA) Program</i> : Awarded 1st place in the Group Leadership Activity (GLA) program for interviewing experts in dementia-related work and sharing their messages with the world. Conducted additional exploratory research in the AACC (Atria-ADFM Community Corner) of Malaysia, fully funded by the KAIST Global Leadership Center.	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

IT SKILLS

Programming Languages - Python, C, MATLAB

Programming Languages (Minor) - Java, Kotlin, C++, Rust

Technical Skills - HTML, JavaScript, CSS, LaTeX

Libraries - PyTorch, Tensorflow, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Scikit-learn

LANGUAGES

English - native, **Korean** - native

REFERENCES

3/2024 - Present	Jong Chul Ye , Endowed Chair Professor of KAIST M.S. Advisor (KAIST)	jong.ye@kaist.ac.kr
3/2024 - Present	Hyungjin Chung , Lead AI Research Scientist at EverEx Mentor and co-author (KAIST)	hyungjin.chg@gmail.com
3/2018 - 2/2023	Min Whan Jung , Professor of KAIST Undergraduate Advisor (KAIST)	mwjung@kaist.ac.kr