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OBJECTIVE

I am a Ph.D. student at the Computer Science (CS) department at the University of Texas at Austin. I work on efficiency and scalability in Machine Learning, with current focus on deep Reinforcement Learning (RL).

RESEARCH INTEREST

• Offline / Sparsity / Scaling RL

EDUCATION

 The University of Texas at Austin Sep 2025 - Current Ph.D. Student, Computer Science (CS) Department Austin, USA • The University of Texas at Austin Sep 2024 - Aug 2025 Ph.D. Student, Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) Department Austin, USA • Seoul National University Mar 2017 - Aug 2023 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) Department Seoul, South Korea Hankuk Academy of Foreign Studies Mar 2014 - Feb 2017 Secondary Education Yongin, South Korea

PUBLICATIONS

C=Conference, J=Journal, P=Patent, S=In Submission, T=Thesis

- [S.1] Sungyoung Lee, Ziyi Wang, Seunggeun Kim, Taekyun Lee, Yao Lai, David Z. Pan. "DICE: Device-level Integrated Circuits Encoder with Graph Contrastive Pretraining". arXiv preprint
- [C.1] Yao Lai, Sungyoung Lee, Guojin Chen, Souradip Poddar, Mengkang Hu, David Z. Pan, Ping Luo. "AnalogCoder: Analog Circuit Design via Training-Free Code Generation". In 2025 39th Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (2025 AAAI)
- [C.2] Supriyo Maji, **Sungyoung Lee**, David Z Pan. "Analog Transistor Placement Optimization Considering Nonlinear Spatial Variations". 2024 Design, Automation & Test in Europe Conference & Exhibition (2024 DATE)
- [C.3] Jung-Woo Sull, **Sungyoung Lee**, Deog-Kyoon Jeong. "A 10-to-12-GHz Dual Loop Quadrature Clock Corrector in 28-nm CMOS Technology". 2022 37th International Technical Conference on Circuits/Systems, Computers and Communications (2022 ITC-CSCC)

MACHINE LEARNING SKILLS

- Online/Offline Reinforcement Learning: From scratch implementation of Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO), Soft Actor Critic (SAC), Conservative Q-Learning (CQL), Decision Transformer (DT), ...
- **Graph Neural Networks**: From scratch implementation of Graph Attention Networks (GAT), Graph Isomorphism Networks (GIN), Heterogeneous Graph Attention Networks (HAN), ...
- Self-Supervised Pretraining: From scratch implementation of Graph Contrastive Learning

HONORS AND AWARDS

• DAC Young Fellowship	Jun 2025
62nd Design Automation Conference	
UT Austin Engineering Fellowship	Sep 2024
ECE department at the University of Texas at Austin	
Golden Tiger Award	Dec 2019
KATUSA Training Academy (KTA), the United States Army Garrison (USAG) Humphreys	

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