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“Bridging AI research and scalable solutions for measurable real-world impact.”

Professional Summary

AI Researcher with 2+ years at Klleon, specializing in Generative AI for digital humans. M.S. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with expertise in Machine/Deep Learning, Signal/Image Processing, and Multimodal Data Analysis.

Currently leading research in facial 3D avatar generation, enabling lifelike avatar movements and lip-sync. Exploring efficient 3DMM generation and leveraging Gaussian Splatting for photorealistic rendering.

Current Projects: 3D Avatar Generation • Photorealistic Human Head Rendering • Virtual Human Dialogue System

Skills

Programming	Python, Bash, MATLAB, C, Java
Frameworks	PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-learn, Pytorch3D
CV & Audio Tools	OpenCV, FFmpeg, librosa
DevOps	Docker, Containerd, Git
Back-end Basics	Node.js
Front-end Basics	HTML, CSS, JavaScript
Languages	Korean, English

Education

DGIST (Daegu Gyeongbuk Institute of Science and Technology)

M.S. IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Advisor: Prof. Jae Youn Hwang

Daegu, South Korea

Mar. 2019 - Aug. 2022

DGIST (Daegu Gyeongbuk Institute of Science and Technology)

B.E. IN SCHOOL OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

- Best Project Award

Daegu, South Korea

Mar. 2014 - Feb. 2019

Experience

Klleon AI Research

AI RESEARCHER

- Developing audio-driven 3DMM generation for virtual avatars with natural human-like expressions and movements. (LVE ↓27.5%, FDD ↓28.9%, MEE ↓27.1%, CE ↓24.1%, Diversity ↑17.7%)
- Developed a photorealistic head rendering model using Gaussian Splatting, outperforming 5 state-of-the-art models. (MSE ↓59.96%, PSNR ↑4.41dB, SSIM ↑3.85%, LPIPS ↓38.16%)
- Developed a Head Swap AI model with 212.7x speedup, reducing annual GPU costs by 99.53% (from \$2.2M to \$10.5K).
- Built large-scale multimodal data pipelines (9.41M+ frames from in-the-wild videos).
- Integrated external APIs (NVIDIA Audio2Face, OpenAI ChatGPT, TTS) into a streaming avatar system, achieving 25-28 FPS performance.

Seoul, South Korea

Aug. 2022 - Present

Multimodal Biomedical Imaging and System Lab, DGIST

GRADUATE RESEARCHER

- Achievements: 6 SCIE publications, 7 international conferences, 9 projects, 4 patents, and 2 awards.
- Designed machine learning-based anomaly detection systems and generative models for biomedical imaging, focusing on multimodal, class-imbalance, and multi-task learning.
- Developed hardware-software integrated systems for application-specific use cases.
- Collaborative research with medical doctors from hospitals, including SNUH, SNUDH, and Yonsei Severance.

Daegu, South Korea

Mar. 2019 - Aug. 2022

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CO-FOUNDER

- Founded a data-driven personalized tutor matching service company in collaboration with Class101.
- Designed a matching database system and established tutor evaluation metrics for personalized recommendations.

Daegu, South Korea

Nov. 2016 - Jul. 2017

Publications

[C3] GeoAvatar: Adaptive Geometrical Gaussian Splatting for 3D Head Avatar

S. MOON*, **HAH MIN LEW***, S. LEE, J.-S. KANG, AND G.-M. PARK. **ICCV 2025**

First Author

Oct. 2025

[C2] Towards High-fidelity Head Blending with Chroma Keying for Industrial Applications

HAH MIN LEW*, S.-M. YOO*, H. KANG*, AND G.-M. PARK. **WACV 2025**

First Author

Feb. 2025

[C1] CSS-Net: Classification and Substitution for Segmentation of Rotator Cuff Tear

K. LEE, **HAH MIN LEW**, M. H. LEE, M. KANG, J. KIM, AND J. Y. HWANG. **ACCV 2022**

Co-Author

Dec. 2022

[J6] Deep Learning-based Framework for Fast and Accurate Acoustic Hologram Generation

M. H. LEE, **HAH MIN LEW**, S. YOUN, T. KIM, AND J. Y. HWANG. **IEEE TUFFC** (IF: 3.267)

Co-Author

Nov. 2022

[J5] Multi-task and Few-shot Learning-based Fully Automatic Deep Learning Platform for Mobile Diagnosis of Skin Diseases

K. LEE, T. C. CAVALCANTI, S. KIM, **HAH MIN LEW**, D. H. LEE, AND J. Y. HWANG. **IEEE JBHI** (IF: 7.021)

Co-Author

Jul. 2022

[J4] Speckle Reduction via Deep Content-Aware Image Prior for Precise Breast Tumor Segmentation in an Ultrasound Image

H. LEE, M. H. LEE, S. YOUN, K. LEE, **HAH MIN LEW**, AND J. Y. HWANG. **IEEE TUFFC** (IF: 3.267)

Co-Author

Jul. 2022

[J3] Intelligent Smartphone-based Multimode Imaging Otoloscope for the Mobile Diagnosis of Otitis Media

T. C. CAVALCANTI, **HAH MIN LEW**, K. LEE, S. LEE, M. K. PARK, AND J. Y. HWANG. **BIOMEDICAL OPTICS EXPRESS** (IF: 3.562)

Co-Author

Nov. 2021

[J2] Ultrasonic Blood Flowmeter with a Novel Xero Algorithm for a Mechanical Circulatory Support System

HAH MIN LEW, H. SHIN, M. H. LEE, S. YOUN, H. C. KIM, AND J. Y. HWANG. **ULTRASONICS** (IF: 4.062)

First Author

Aug. 2021

[J1] Forward-Looking Multimodal Endoscopic System Based on Optical Multispectral and High-Frequency Ultrasound Imaging Techniques for Tumor Detection

J. KIM, **HAH MIN LEW**, J. KIM, S. YOUN, H. A. FARUQUE, A. N. SEO, S. Y. PARK, J. H. CHANG, E. KIM, AND J. Y. HWANG. **IEEE TMI** (IF: 11.037)

Co-Author

Oct. 2020

Projects

Audio-driven 3D Facial Animation for Realistic Facial Expressions and Motion

Seoul, South Korea

PROJECT LEAD

Dec. 2024 - Present

- Developing a 3D facial animation framework for lifelike facial expressions and motion driven by audio inputs.
- Constructed a large-scale paired dataset of audio and 3DMM parameters (6.81M+ frames).
- Achieved superior performances compared to the SOTA method (LVE ↓27.5%, FDD ↓28.9%, MEE ↓27.1%, CE ↓24.1%, Diversity ↑17.7%).
- Used skills: Python, PyTorch, Git.

Real-time Expressive 3D Chat Avatar System

Seoul, South Korea

PROJECT LEAD

Apr. 2024 - Dec. 2024

- Integrated NVIDIA Audio2Face, OpenAI ChatGPT, and TTS APIs into a streaming avatar dialogue system with 25-28 FPS performance.
- Designed an emotion message queue protocol to enable natural emotional transitions and realistic facial expressions in avatars.
- Optimized Numpy-to-Tensor conversion and computations for live streaming, achieving a 13.5% speed improvement.
- Used skills: Python, PyTorch, Docker, Containerd, Git.

High-performance Real-time Head Swapping System

Seoul, South Korea

PROJECT LEAD

Aug. 2022 - Apr. 2024

- Led the development of a state-of-the-art head swapping framework, including data preprocessing pipelines, multi-GPU training, and efficient inference mechanisms.
- Built a high-quality dataset from 15,354 videos of 3,592 identities, processing 2.6M frames.
- Achieved a 212.7x inference speedup (from 10s/frame to 47ms/frame), reducing GPU resource requirements by 99.53%.
 - Reduced annual GPU costs from \$2.2M+ (assuming 213 AWS EC2 g4dn.4xlarge instances) to approximately \$10.5K (using a single instance).
- Achieved significant performance improvements over the SOTA method:
 - Metrics: PSNR ↑55.5%, LPIPS ↓91.8%, L1 ↓88.8%, SSIM ↑21.8%
 - Inference speed: 60.57 FPS (↑53.6%)
 - Computational efficiency: Parameters 8.92M (↓63.4%), MACs ↓33.0%
- Used skills: Python, PyTorch, Docker, Git, JavaScript, HTML, CSS.

Custom Dataset Creation and Text-to-Image Model Finetuning

Seoul, South Korea

PROJECT LEAD

Oct. 2023 - Nov. 2023

- Built an end-to-end pipeline for fashion product dataset creation, integrating ML-based image captioning and text-to-image model finetuning.
- Open-sourced the pipeline on GitHub and the trained models and dataset on Hugging Face.
 - Dataset: Total 27,484 downloads.
 - Models: Total 2,248 downloads.
- Used skills: Python, PyTorch, Git.
- Repositories: [GitHub], [Dataset], [Model].

Optimized Biomedical Monitoring System with a Time-efficient Algorithm

Daegu, South Korea

PROJECT LEAD

Mar. 2019 - Mar. 2021

- Achieved an average error rate of $\pm 1.77\%$, outperforming commercial products with errors of $\pm 1-5\%$.
- Developed a cost-efficient time-series processing algorithm with a time complexity of $O(N \log N)$.
- Integrated hardware and software for real-time biomedical monitoring.
- Used skills: MATLAB, LabView, VHDL.

AI-powered Smartphone Imaging for Early Dental Caries Detection

Daegu, South Korea

PROJECT LEAD

Apr. 2020 - Feb. 2022

- Developed an ML-based smartphone image analysis system achieving 0.952 recall and 0.953 precision in early dental caries detection.
- Utilized convolutional neural networks (CNNs) to optimize classification performance for multimodal imaging data.
- Used skills: Python, TensorFlow.

ML-based Smartphone Imaging for Otitis Media Diagnosis

Daegu, South Korea

PROJECT MEMBER

Feb. 2020 - Jan. 2022

- Constructed multimodal human clinical datasets (4.98B+ pixels) and optimized image classification models for clinical validation.
- Enhanced diagnostic accuracy with a multi-layer perceptron (MLP) model achieving 80% accuracy, outperforming expert clinicians at 73%.
- Used skills: Python, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn.

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

Image-to-Image Translation for High-resolution Gastrointestinal Imaging PROJECT LEAD

Feb. 2021 - Sep. 2023

Multitask Learning-based Network for Rotator Cuff Tear Segmentation PROJECT MEMBER

Dec. 2021 - Dec. 2022

Low-voltage CMUT-based Ultrasound Imaging for Medibots PROJECT MEMBER

Sep. 2020 - Dec. 2022

2021 Laboratory-specialized Start-up Leader University Project PROJECT MEMBER

Aug. 2021 - Jan. 2022

Smart Monitoring System for Hip Implants PROJECT MEMBER

Feb. 2019 - May. 2021

Technical Commercialization Activity Support for Bio Society Leadership PROJECT MEMBER

May. 2020 - Dec. 2020

Multimodal Data Registration and Analysis for Tumor Detection PROJECT MEMBER

Mar. 2019 - Oct. 2020

Ultrasonic Capsule Endoscopy PROJECT MEMBER

Jun. 2019 - Jun. 2020

Patents

BLADDER MONITORING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING BLADDER MONITORING APPARATUS

Application

J. Y. HWANG, M. H. LEE, **HAH MIN LEW** (US17-516850, KR10-0145463)

Nov. 2021

ULTRASONIC BLOOD FLOW MEASURING APPARATUS AND METHOD THEREOF

Application

J. Y. HWANG, **HAH MIN LEW**, H. C. KIM (KR10-2021-0062321)

May 2021

MOBILE OTOSCOPE SYSTEM

Application

J. Y. HWANG, T. C. CAVALCANTI, **HAH MIN LEW** (KR10-2021-0049885)

Apr. 2021

THREE-DIMENSIONAL DIAGNOSTIC SYSTEM

Application

J. Y. HWANG, J. KIM, **HAH MIN LEW**, K. LEE (PCT-KR2020-015460, KR10-2019-0141198)

Nov. 2020

Awards & Scholarships

AWARDS

2021 **Outstanding Poster Award**, 2021 Student Conference at DGIST

Daegu, South Korea

2021 **Best Paper Award**, 2021 Spring Conference at KOSOMBE

Remote, South Korea

2017 **Best Project Award**, 2016 Undergraduate Group Research Project (UGRP) Program at DGIST

Daegu, South Korea

SCHOLARSHIPS

2014-2022 **Full Government Scholarships**, Full tuition exemptions and school expenses support

Daegu, South Korea