# YOUNGRAE KIM

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## **EDUCATION**

#### **University of Southern California (USC)**

Los Angeles, CA, USA

Ph.D. in Computer Engineering

From Aug. 2024

• Advisor: Prof. C.-C. Jay Kuo

#### **Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)**

Daejeon, Korea

M.S. in Computer Science

Feb. 2022 - Feb. 2024

- GPA: 3.66/4.3 (3.62/4.0), Advisor: Prof. Dongman Lee
- Thesis: "Few-Shot Weather-Degraded Image Restoration"
- Full-tuition Government Scholarship for Science and Engineering

Hongik University Seoul, Korea

B.S. in Computer Engineering

Mar. 2016 - Feb. 2022

- CGPA: 4.01/4.5 (3.74/4.0), Major GPA: 4.2/4.5 (3.86/4.0)
- Academic Excellence Scholarship for 7 semesters

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Domain Adaptation, Few-shot Learning, Image/Video Understanding

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Kim, Y.R.\*,** Cho, Y.G.\*, Nguyen, T.T., Lee, D.M. "MetaWeather: Few-Shot Weather-Degraded Image Restoration." *European Conference on Computer Vision* **ECCV 2024.** [Link]

Ahn G.O.\*, Bae, K.H.\*, **Kim, Y.R\*.**, et al. "DEVIAS: Learning Disentangled Video Representations of Action and Scene." *European Conference on Computer Vision* **ECCV 2024 – Oral Presentation**. [Link]

**Kim, Y.R.\*,** Cho, H.H.\*, Lim, J.S.\*, Lee, M.J.\*, et al. "Efficient Reference-based Video Super-Resolution (ERVSR): Single Reference Image is All You Need." *IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision* **WACV 2023.** [Link] (\* denotes equal contributions)

# **PREPRINTS**

Cho, Y.G.\*, **Kim, Y.R.\***, Lee, D.M. "Beyond Entropy: Style Transfer Guided Single Image Continual Test-Time Adaptation." *Under review.* [Link]

(\* denotes equal contributions)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**KAIST CDSN Lab** (Advisor: Prof. Dongman Lee)

Daejeon, Korea

## **Test-Time Adaptation**

Aug. 2023 - Jul.2024

- Formulated the test-time adaptation problem as a style transfer problem with novel losses.
- Stabilized the adaptation process even with a single image, interpolating the statistics of the target domain.

## Few-Shot Learning on Weather-Degraded Image Restoration

Feb. 2023 - Mar. 2024

- Firstly proposed the need for few-shot learning in the area of weather-degraded image restoration.
- Suggested prioritization of learning degradation patterns over background distribution by image restoration models without sufficient labeled data, assuming that degradation patterns are only the common factor among the limited few-shot images available for adaptation.
- Demonstrated that our performance is comparable to that of many samples; published results on **ECCV 2024**.

# **Kyung Hee University VLL Lab** (Prof. Jinwoo Choi's group)

# Disentangled Video Representation Learning

May 2023 - Nov. 2023

Suwon, Korea

- Examined standard video modes' limitations and clarified they often prioritize the foreground while neglecting the background in videos, which leads to information loss.
- Proposed a novel auxiliary task that significantly improves performance.
- Showed the disentangled and effective representations in our experiments; published results on ECCV 2024.

# KAIST CS570 AI & ML Course (Advisor: Prof. Tae-kyun Kim)

## Daejeon, Korea

## Efficient Video Super-Resolution

Apr. 2022 - Aug. 2022

- Identified the issue of low computational efficiency in existing reference-based video super-resolution task.
- Determined the suitability/sufficiency of a single frame as a reference feature instead of all frames.
- Extracted the full features of one reference frame and transferred the feature to all frames.
- Greatly improved computational efficiency with minimal performance impact; published results on WACV 2023.

# **Hongik University APL Lab** (Advisor: Prof. Young Yoon)

Seoul. Korea

# Taxi Dispatch System for Maximizing Profits

Jul. 2020 - Dec. 2021

Processed raw sensor data; implemented and conducted experiments using realistic simulations to evaluate the effectiveness of various dispatching strategies.

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

Reviewer, Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence Conference (AAAI)

Reviewer, IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)

Reviewer, IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology (TCSVT)

# **TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS**

## Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)

Daejeon, Korea

"CS206 Data Structure", School of Computing - Best TA Award

Fall 2022

"CS330 Operating System", School of Computing

Spring 2022

# **PROFICIENCY IN SKILLS**

**Programming**: Python, C/C++, JAVA, Verilog

Frameworks: PyTorch, Docker, Triton Inference Server, gRPC

# **MILITARY EXPERIENCE**

Honorable Discharge as a Sergeant, Republic of Korea Air Force, Cheongiu, Korea

Apr. 2018 - Mar. 2020

## REFERENCES

Dongman Lee, *Professor*, KAIST School of Computing, (dlee@kaist.ac.kr)

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