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EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** Mathematics, **Stanford University**, Stanford, CA January 1997
- Advisor: Prof. Gunnar E. Carlsson
 - Thesis title: *Categories of acyclic graphs and automorphisms of free groups*
- M.A.** Mathematics, **Stanford University**, Stanford, CA September 1993
- B.A.** Mathematics, **Princeton University**, Princeton, NJ: *Magna cum laude* June 1991
- Senior thesis title: *Chern classes of symmetric groups* (advisor: Prof. Gunnar E. Carlsson)
- Phillips Exeter Academy**, Exeter, NH: *Magna cum laude* June 1987

EMPLOYMENT

- Seoul National University**, Seoul Korea Sept. 2013-present
Department of Mathematical Sciences: Professor
Institute for Mathematical Data Analytics Research Center: Vice Director June 2017-present
- University of Rhode Island**, Kingston, RI July 2000 – June 2013
Department of Mathematics: Associate Professor (with tenure since July 2007)
- Member of University Faculty Senate (2006 – 2009, 2012-present)
 - Director of Graduate Program in Mathematics since July 2008
- George Washington University**, Washington, DC August 1998 - June 2000
Department of Mathematics: Visiting Assistant Professor
- University of Minnesota**, Minneapolis, MN Sept. 1996 - July 1998
School of Mathematics: Visiting Assistant Professor
- Interval Research Corp.**, Palo Alto, CA Aug.- Sept. 1996
Data Compression Group: Summer Postdoctoral Fellow (The Interval Research Corporation was a think tank/ computer R & D firm founded by Paul Allen, a co-founder of Microsoft.)
- Stanford University**, Stanford, CA Sept. 1991 - Aug. 1996
Department of Mathematics: Teaching and Research Assistant in Mathematics

VISITING POSITIONS

- Seoul National University**, Seoul Korea Jan. 3-Jan. 17, 2012
Department of Mathematical Sciences: Visiting Scholar
- Seoul National University**, Seoul Korea Jan. 5-Jan. 14, 2011
Department of Mathematical Sciences: Visiting Scholar
- Seoul National University**, Seoul, Korea Feb.-July 2010
Department of Mathematical Sciences: Visiting Associate Professor (초빙 부교수)

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

SNU Dept. of Mathematical Sciences, Chair (2019 Dec.- present)
National Inst. of Math Sciences: member of board of directors (2019 March - present)
INFINITT Healthcare Co., Ltd.: outside director (2021 April ~ 2024 March)
Korean Math Soc.: committee member of Division of Topology (2018 Jan. – 2020. Dec.)
Korean Math Soc.: committee member of Division of Algebra (2015 March – 2018 Feb.)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Combinatorics: homology of matroids, combinatorial Laplace operators, harmonic space

Algebraic Topology: group cohomology, homological algebra

Commutative Algebra: face ring of simplicial complexes

Network and Data Sciences: simplicial networks, topological data analysis

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Papers and Proceedings

1. *Categories of acyclic graphs and automorphisms of free groups*,
Ph.D. Thesis, Stanford University (1997)
2. *A convolution formula for the Tutte polynomial* (coauthors: V. Reiner and D. Stanton),
Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series B 76, 297-300 (1999)
3. *Combinatorial Laplacians of matroid complexes* (coauthors: V. Reiner and D. Stanton),
Journal of the American Mathematical Society 13, No. 1, 129-148 (2000)
4. *Recurrence relations for the spectrum polynomial of a matroid*,
Discrete Applied Mathematics 143 (2003) 312-317
5. *A formula for an evaluation of the Tutte polynomial of a matroid*,
Discrete Mathematics 300 (2005) 235-238
6. *On the product of log-concave polynomials*,
Integers: The Electronic Journal of Combinatorial Number Theory 6 (2006), #A40
7. *The homology of the cycle matroid of a coned graph*,
European Journal of Combinatorics, Volume 28, Issue 3 (2007) 734-741
8. *Edge-rooted forests and α -invariant of cone graphs*,
Discrete Applied Mathematics, Volume 155, Issue 8, (2007) 1071-1075
9. *Knowledge Transfer in a Multiple Virtual Communities Network* (coauthor: S. Shin)
Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences, Proceedings, 5-8 Jan. 2010,
IEEE Computer Society 2010 (ISBN 978-0-7695-3869-3)
10. *Combinatorial Green's function of a graph and applications to networks*,
Advances in Applied Mathematics, Volume 46 (Jan. 2011) 417-423
(Special issue in honour of Dennis Stanton's 60th birthday)
doi:10.1016/j.aam.2010.10.006
11. *The h-vector of coned graphs*,
Applied Mathematics Letters, Volume 24, Issue 4 (April 2011) 528-532
doi: 10.1016/j.aml.2010.11.007

12. *Multicomplex of partially edge-rooted forests*,
European Journal of Combinatorics 33 (May 2012) 505-509
doi: 10.1016/j.ejc.2011.11.006
13. *Can knowledge be more accessible in a virtual network?: Collective dynamics of knowledge transfer in a virtual knowledge organization network* (coauthor: S. Shin),
Decision Support Systems (March 2014),
14. *Logarithmic tree-numbers for acyclic complexes* (co-author: H. Kim),
Electronic Journal of Combinatorics 21(1) #P1.50 (March 10, 2014),
15. *Weighted tree numbers of matroid complexes* (co-author: K. Lee),
Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science Proceedings FPSAC' (2015) 709-720
16. *A formula for simplicial tree-numbers of matroid complexes*, (co-author: K. Lee)
European Journal of Combinatorics, Volume 53 (April 2016) 59-65
doi:10.1016/j.ejc.2015.11.001
17. *Path-Intersection matrices and applications to networks*, (co-authors: D. Kho et al.)
Linear Algebra and its Applications 524 (July 2017) 278-292
18. *Harmonic cycles for graphs*, (co-author: Y. Kim)
Linear and Multilinear Algebra (online February 2018)
<https://doi.org/10.1080/03081087.2018.1440519>
19. *Möbius coinvariants and bipartite edge-rooted forests* (co-author: K. Lee)
European Journal of Combinatorics, Volume 71 C (June 2018) 180-193
20. *A weighted cellular matrix-tree theorem, with applications to complete colorful and cubical complexes* (co-authors: G. Aalipour, A. Duval, K. Lee, J. Martin)
Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series A, Volume 158 (August 2018) 362-386
21. *Simplicial networks and effective resistance* (co-author: K. Lee)
Advances in Applied Mathematics, Volume 100 (September 2018) 71-86
22. *Topological data analysis can extract subgroups with high rates of Type 2 diabetes*
(co-authors: H. Kim, C. Yi, Y. Kim, U. Park, B. Oh, H. Kim, T. Park)
International Journal of Data Mining and Bioinformatics 22(1):61-74 (April 2019)
23. *High dimensional networks and spanning forests* (co-author: K. Lee)
Topology and its Applications: Proceedings of the Second Pan-Pacific International Conference on Topology and Applications 264 (September 2019) 105-114. (accepted: 8 January 2019)
24. *Investigation of Flash Crash via Topological Data Analysis*
(co-authors: W. Kim, Y. Kim, G. Lee)
Topology and Its Applications: Proceedings of the 3rd Pan-Pacific International Conference on Topology and Applications (available online Dec. 15, 2020)
25. *Tumor spread through air spaces (STAS): prognostic significance of grading in non-small cell lung cancer* (co-authors: J. Jung et al.)
Modern Pathology 34 (published November 2020; appeared March 2021) 549-561
26. *Topological Data Analysis of Coronary Plaques Demonstrates the Natural History of Coronary Atherosclerosis* (co-authors: D. Hwang, H. Kijm, S. Lee, S. Lim et al.)
JACC: Cardiovascular Imaging (available online 13 January 2021)

27. *Effects of catastrophic financial loss on suicide risk: Evidence from Korean stock market crash in October 2008* (co-authors: W. Kim, H. Park, J. Park)
Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology (available online 26 May 2021)
28. *Predicting survival in heart failure: a risk score based on machine-learning and change point algorithm* (co-authors: W. Kim, J. Park, D. Choi)
Clinical Research in Cardiology (published online on 14 July 2021)
29. *Kirchhoff index of simplicial networks* (co-authors: K. Lee)
Linear Algebra and Its Applications 626 (1 October 2021) 1- 19

Submitted Manuscripts

Origin based target bisection to reduce COVID-19 risk in public transportation system
(co-authors: W. Kim, B. So) submitted

A clustering using Gaussian Mixture Model for SNP
(co-authors: C. Yi, H. Kim, S. Yu, W. Kim) submitted

Preprints

Weighted Laplacians and weighted tree numbers of matroid complexes (co-author: K. Lee) preprint

Cycle intersection matrix, (co-author: C. Phifer) preprint

Monotonicity of complete graphs and symmetric complete bipartite graphs, preprint

Books and Book Chapters

1. "Implications of Electronic Marketplaces in Vertical Market: The case of Korea Fishery Industry"
Authors: Seung Kyoong Shin, Woong Kook, Jong Ho Kang, Hong Suk Jang,
Published by Korea Maritime Institute, and funded by Korea-America Joint Research Center at
URI, 2008 (ISBN: 978-89-7998-371-5).
2. A chapter in "Empirical Investigation of The Effects of Korea-EU FTA on Domestic Port
Transportation: Network Modeling Approach"
Authors: H.H. Kim, I.Y. Choi, S.H. Park, J.Y. Kim, Seung Kyoong Shin, Woong Kook,
Korean Ministry of Land, Transportation, and Marine Affairs, 2009.

List of Entries in On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences

- A057817: Rank of homology groups for cycle matroid complex for K_n (Feb. 2002).
A072962: Mobius coinvariant for complete bipartite graphs (coauthor: L. Thoma) (May 2002).
A083483: Forests with two components for complete graphs (June 2003).
A071720: Spanning trees in the graph $K_n \setminus e$ (coauthors: N. Eaton and L. Thoma) (Jan. 2004).
A089104: Spanning trees in the graph K_n / e (coauthors: N. Eaton and L. Thoma) (Jan. 2004).
A000918: Edge-rooted forests in a cycle of length n (Sept. 2004).
A100070: Forests with two components in the complete bipartite graph $K_{n,n}$ (Nov. 2004).
A109808: Value of Tutte dichromatic polynomial $T_G(0,1)$ for $G=P_2 \times P_n$ ($n > 1$) (Aug. 2005).
A002817: Coefficient of x^{n-3} in the shelling polynomial for the cycle matroid of K_n (Nov. 2006).
A006235: Complexity of Doubled Cycles (Jan. 2009)

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

(* represent invited talks.)

Mathematics Department Seminar*, May 14, 2021, Sungshin Women's University
"Topological Data Analysis and Beyond"

Differential Geometry Seminar* (online), February 24, 2021, Jeju National University
"Mathematics for Artificial Intelligence"

KBRI-KMS-KIAS Workshop*(online), December 21, 2020, KMS
"Simplicial Networks and Harmonic Intelligence"

Symposium for AI and University Level Mathematics II* (online), December 17, 2020, KMS
"University AI Mathematics"

NUBISON Partner's Day & Seminar*, October 15, 2020, SimPlatform, Seoul, Korea
"Mathematics for Industrial AI"

KIAS Workshop on Combinatorial Problems of Algebraic Origin*, July 14-15, 2020
"Tree numbers of rank selected posets" (presented on July 15)

2020 KMS Spring Meeting* (online), 03 July 2020
(Focus Session: Mathematics Education in University:AI)
"Mathematical experiments for deeper learning"

XAIENCE 2019*, Seoul National University, 8 November 2019
"Harmonic data analysis for shape and centrality"

Mathematics Department Colloquium*, Soongsil University, 7 November 2019
"Topological combinatorics and simplicial networks"

Heart Failure Seoul 2019*, Grand Intercontinental Parnas, Seoul, 21 September 2019
The 41st Scientific Conference of the Korean Society of Heart Failure,
"Topological classification of heart failure"

ICIAM 2019*, Valencia, Spain, 16 July 2019
The 9th International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics
(Topological Data Analysis and deep learning: theory and signal applications-Part 3)
"Combinatorial Hodge theory and simplicial networks"

Tutorial Seminar on Topological Data Analysis and Beyond*, Busan, 14 June 2019
"Effective conductance and network decentralization"

International Conference on Matrix Theory with Applications 2019*,
Jeju National University, 24 May 2019
"Harmonic cycles and network decentralization"

2019 KMS Spring Meeting*, Kangwon National University, 20 April 2019
"Combinatorial Perspectives on decentralization"

Mathematics Department Colloquium*, UNIST, Ulsan, 4 April 2019
"Combinatorial Laplacians and Data Analysis"

초청강연*, 제주대학교 수학과, 8 November 2018
“Mathematical data science”

Mathematics Department Colloquium*, Sogang University, 1 November 2018
“Topological combinatorics and data science”

서울대학교 의료빅데이터 연구센터 개소기념 심포지엄 초청강연*
Seoul National University Hospital, 7 September 2018
“위상수학과 조합론에 기반한 데이터 과학”

아주 데이터 사이언스 포럼: 기초강연*
Ajou University, 25 May 2018
“A topological perspective on decentralization”

Conference on Math to Industry: Tutorial Session
Seoul National University, 17 May 2018
“Combinatorial Hodge theory”

Gauss Colloquium* IMDARC, Seoul National University, 27 April 2018
“Topological combinatorics for data analysis”
2018 KMS Spring Meeting, Invited Lecture in Topology*
Kyung Hee University, Seoul, 21 April 2018
“Harmonic cycles and applications to simplicial networks”

2017 Dasan Conference: Mathematical Challenges and Industrial Problem Solving*
Busan, Korea, 1-2 December 2017 (**Program Committee**)
Discussion session (**chair**): Mathematical challenges from industry

Mathematics Concert*
Sungkyunkwan University, Suwon, Korea, 28 November 2017
“Mathematical data analysis for decision making”

The 2nd Pan Pacific International Conference on Topology and Applications: Plenary Talk*
Busan, Korea, 13-17 November 2017, (16 Nov. 2017)
“Simplicial networks and data analysis”

2017 년 제 6 회 Big Data Seminar*
서울대학교병원 의생명연구원 임상의과학정보실, 1 November 2017
“위상수학과 조합론을 이용한 데이터 분석”

AMS Fall Sectional Meeting*
University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis, MN, U.S.A, 29 October 2016
“High-Dimensional Effective Resistance”

SKKU-NIMS Summer School in Data Analysis*
Jeju National University, June 29, 2016
“Information Centrality and Harmonic Classes”

KIAS Combinatorics Workshop Series*
Korea Institute for Advanced Study, Seoul, Korea, June 3, 2016
“Combinatorics of harmonic classes”

Colloquium*, NIMS, May 12, 2016
“Simplicial harmonic classes”

Mathematics Department Seminar*, The Catholic University of Korea, April 22&29, 2016
“Harmonic classes for data analysis 1 & 2”

Mathematics Department Colloquium*, Yonsei University, Nov. 19, 2015
“Homological Methods in Combinatorics”

2015 Combinatorics Workshop*, CAMP, NIMS, July 13-16, 2015
“Logarithmic tree numbers for acyclic complex (matroid complexes)”

FPSAC 2015 (Formal Power Series and Algebraic Combinatorics), KAIST, July 6-10, 2015
“Weighted Tree-Numbers of Matroid Complexes”

2014 Combinatorics Workshop*, Ajou University, October 31-November 1
“Topological invariants and tree numbers of matroid complexes”

Mathematics Education Department Colloquium*, Seoul National University, Oct 21, 2014
“Spanning trees and applications to networks”

International Linear Algebra Society*, CMS7. Generalized Laplacian and Green matrices,
Seoul, Korea, August 6-9, 2014
“Applications of combinatorial Laplacians”

Math Department Colloquium*, Sungkyunkwan University, June 5, 2014
“Applications of combinatorial Laplacians”

Math Department Colloquium*, Ewha University, May 15, 2014
“Enumeration of tree numbers and applications to networks”

Discrete Math Seminar*, KAIST, May 8, 2014
“Combinatorial Laplacians and high-dimensional tree numbers”

Math Department Colloquium*, Ajou University, April 4, 2014
“Combinatorial Laplacians and high-dimensional tree numbers”

KIAS Combinatorics Workshop Series*
Korea Institute for Advanced Study, Seoul, Korea, November 8, 2013
“Simplicial Tree Numbers for Matroid Complexes”

Math Department Colloquium*, Seoul National University, October 10, 2013
“Combinatorial Laplacians on Acyclic Complexes”

International Linear Algebra Society*, Graphs and Matrices, Providence, June 4, 2013
“Logarithmic tree-numbers for acyclic complexes”

Open Lecture*, Seoul National University, November 27, 2012
“Topics in Topological Combinatorics”

Applied Mathematics Seminar, Seoul National University, January 5, 2012
“High dimensional tree-numbers”

MEG Center Seminar*, Seoul National University Hospital, January 11, 2011
“Information centrality and its applications”

Joint Workshop* of Neurosurgery, Statistics, and Mathematics Departments,
Seoul National University, January 6, 2011

“Information centrality and its applications”

Topology Seminar*, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, May 25, 2010

“Homology of acyclic graph complexes”

Algebraic Combinatorics Conference*, POSTECH, Pohang, Korea, May 1, 2010

“Combinatorial Green’s Function of a graph and applications to networks”

Joint Meeting of the Korean Association of Mathematical Societies,
Choongnam University, April 25, 2010

“Combinatorial Green’s Function of a graph and applications to networks”

Discrete Math Seminar*, KAIST, Daejeon, Korea, April 9, 2010

“A Combinatorial formula for information flow in a network”

Math Department Colloquium*, Seoul National University, Seoul Korea, March 18, 2010

“A Combinatorial formula for information flow in a network”

Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS), Waikoloa, HI, January 5-8, 2010

“Knowledge Transfer in a Multiple Virtual Communities Network” (with S. Shin)

AMS-KMS Joint Conference, Seoul, Korea, December 16-20, 2009

“A generalization of Temperley’s formula and applications in networks”

Seminar Presentations at Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, July-August 2009

Department of Mathematical Sciences, July 6-7, 2009

“Edge-rooted forest and alpha-invariant of cone graphs”

“A combinatorial interpretation of information flow in a weighted network”

Department of Physics*, August 5, 2009

“Information centrality in a weighted network”

UKC 2008: US-Korea Conference on Science, Technology, and Entrepreneurship
San Diego, CA, Aug. 14-16, 2008

“The symmetric group action on the cycle matroid of complete graphs”

Korea-America Joint Marine Policy Research Workshop

University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI, Oct. 25, 2007

"Implications of Electronic Marketplaces: The Case of Korea Fishery Industry,"
with Seung Kyoong Shin and Wes McCann.

Workshop on Topological Methods in Combinatorics, MSRI, Berkeley, CA, October 2-6, 2006

“Homology of the cycle matroid of a coned graph”

HONORS AND GRANTS

2020 사회공헌 PLUS 경진대회 전문부문 대상, 서울대학교 글로벌사회공헌단

2016 서울대학교 자연과학대학 우수강의상

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