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Research Interest

My academic research focuses on risk-sensitive decision-making and distributional robustness. I draw inspiration from human decision-making processes, aiming to mathematically model and optimize them to uncover theoretical insights and practical solutions.

- **Broad** : *Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, and Stochastic Optimization.*
- **Specific** : *Distributional Reinforcement Learning, Regret Analysis, and Reinforcement Learning from Human Feedback.*

Education

March 2020 – Ongoing	Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea <i>Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science</i>
March 2013 – 2020	Korea University, Seoul, South Korea <i>B.S. in Mathematics</i>

Research Experience

March 2020 - Ongoing	Graduate Researcher <i>Cognitive Machine Learning Lab</i> • Adviser : Prof. Jungwoo Lee • Study on <i>Reinforcement Learning Theory, Deep Reinforcement Learning, and Stochastic Optimization.</i> • Interest in <i>Information Theory, Bandit Algorithm, and Game Theory.</i>
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Teaching Experience

Spring 2022	Teaching Assistant <i>Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Seoul National University</i> • Introduction to Reinforcement Learning
Spring 2021	Teaching Assistant <i>Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Seoul National University</i> • Introduction to Reinforcement Learning

Talks

May 2025	LG AI Research Seminar <i>LG AI Research</i> • Policy Optimization with Process Score in LRMs
December 2024	LG AI Research Seminar <i>LG AI Research</i> • Policy-labeled Preference Learning: Is Preference Enough for RLHF?
August 2023	LG Tech Talk <i>LG AI Research</i> • Pitfall of Optimism: Distributional Reinforcement Learning with Randomized Risk Criterion

May 2023

AIIS Spring Retreat Program

Seoul National University

- Pitfall of Optimism: Distributional Reinforcement Learning with Randomized Risk Criterion

Other Experience

December 2024 –
May 2025

LG AI Research Internship

Superintelligence Lab

- RLHF Squad Team (Developing process reward model)

2022 – Ongoing

AI Conference Reviewer Services

- International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022
- Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2024, 2023, 2022
- International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2024, 2023
- AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) 2023

June 2018 – Ongoing

Philosophy Club

Sunday Salon

- Discuss a topic on Baccalauréat

May 2016 – 2018

Military Service

Air Force

- Military Service on 3rd Flight Training Wing

Skills

Computer Skills

- Python, Numpy, Pytorch

Language Skills

- Korean(Native), English(Fluent)

Publications

International Conference

1. **(Spotlight, Top 2.6%) Taehyun Cho***, Seokhun Ju*, Seungyub Han, Dohyeong Kim, Kyungjae Lee, and Jungwoo Lee, "Policy-based Preference Learning: Is Preference Enough for RLHF?", ICML 2025, Canada.
2. **Taehyun Cho**, Seungyub Han, Seokhun Ju, Dohyeong Kim, Kyungjae Lee, and Jungwoo Lee, "Bellman Unbiasedness: Toward Provably Efficient Distributional Reinforcement Learning with General Value Function Approximation", ICML 2025, Vancouver, Canada.
3. Dohyeong Kim, **Taehyun Cho**, Seungyub Han, Hojun Chung, Kyungjae Lee, and Sunghwai Oh, "Spectral-Risk Safe Reinforcement learning with Convergence Guarantees", NeurIPS 2024, Vancouver, Canada.
4. **Taehyun Cho**, Seungyub Han, Heesoo Lee, Kyungjae Lee, and Jungwoo Lee, "Pitfall of Optimism: Distributional Reinforcement Learning by Randomizing Risk Criterion", NeurIPS 2023, New Orleans, USA.
5. Dohyeok Lee, Seungyub Han, **Taehyun Cho** and Jungwoo Lee, "SPQR: Controlling Q-ensemble Independence with Spiked Random Model for Reinforcement Learning", NeurIPS 2023, New Orleans, USA.
6. Seungyub Han, Yeongmo Kim, **Taehyun Cho**, and Jungwoo Lee, "On the Convergence of Continual Learning with Adaptive Methods", UAI 2023.
7. Seungyub Han, Yeongmo Kim, **Taehyun Cho**, Jungwoo Lee, "Adaptive Methods for Nonconvex Continual Learning," Neurips 2022 Workshop, New Orleans, USA.
8. **Taehyun Cho**, Seungyub Han, Heesoo Lee, Kyungjae Lee, Jungwoo Lee, "Perturbed Quantile Regression for Distributional Reinforcement Learning," Neurips 2022 Workshop, New Orleans, USA.
9. Sangwoo Hong, Heecheol Yang, Youngseok Yoon, **Taehyun Cho**, and Jungwoo Lee, "Chebyshev Polynomial Codes:

- Task Entanglement-based Coding for Distributed Matrix Multiplication” ICML 2021, Vienna, Austria, July 18-24, 2021.
10. Heasung Kim, **Taehyun Cho**, Jungwoo Lee, Wonjae Shin, Harold Vincent Poor, “An Efficient Neural Network Architecture for Rate Maximization in Energy Harvesting Downlink Channels,” 2020 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory, LA, USA, June 21-26, 2020

International Journal

1. Heasung Kim, **Taehyun Cho**, Jungwoo Lee, Wonjae Shin, and H. Vincent Poor, “Optimized Shallow Neural Networks for Sum-Rate Maximization in Energy Harvesting Downlink Multiuser NOMA Systems,” IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications, vol.39, no.4, pp. 982 – 997, Apr. 2021.

Preprints

1. **Taehyun Cho**, Seungyub Han, Seokhun Ju, Dohyeong Kim, Kyungjae Lee, and Jungwoo Lee, "Distributionally Robust and Provably Efficient Distributional Reinforcement Learning with General Value Function Approximation".
2. (On submission) Seungyub Han, **Taehyun Cho**, Dohyeong Kim, Kyungjae Lee, and Jungwoo Lee, "Time to Truncate Trajectory: Stochastic Retrace for Multi-step Off Policy Reinforcement Learning".