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EDUCATION

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA.

Ph.D. in Statistics, August 2012 – August 2017.

• Adviser: Professor Bing Li.

Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea.

B.S. in Statistics, February 2011.

B.S. in Mathematical Sciences, February 2011.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Korea University, Seoul, Korea.

Associate Professor, Department of Statistics, September 2022 – Present.

Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics, September 2021 – August 2022.

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, NC.

Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, August 2017 – June 2021.

Affiliated Faculty, School of Data Science, August 2020 – June 2021.

RESEARCH Interests

Sufficient Dimension Reduction, Functional Data Analysis, Data Privacy, Synthetic Data Generation, Federated Learning, ML & DL.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

*: Corresponding Author. †: Student supervised

Accepted or Published:

Shanshan Wang, Eliana Christou, Eftychia Solea, **Jun Song***. (2026). Nonlinear Sufficient Dimension Reduction for Conditional Quantiles in Scalar-on-Function Single-Index Models. *Statistics and Computing*. Accepted.

Kyongwon Kim, **Jun Song*** and Jae Keun Yoo. (2026). Valid asymptotic inference after sufficient dimension reduction in a single-index framework. *Statistics and Computing*. Accepted.

Sehun Jang[†] and **Jun Song***. (2025). Functional adaptive group lasso with its non-asymptotic bounds. *Electronic Journal of Statistics*, 19(2), 3927-3954.

Shanshan Wang, Eliana Christou, Eftychia Solea, and **Jun Song***. (2025+). Dimension Reduction for the Conditional Quantiles of Functional Data with Categorical Predictors. *Biometrical Journal*. Accepted.

Eliana Christou, Eftychia Solea, Shanshan Wang, and **Jun Song***. (2027). Sufficient Dimension Reduction for the Conditional Quantiles of Functional Data. *Statistica*

Sinica. Accepted.

SeungBeom Hong[†], Ilmun Kim, and **Jun Song***. (2024). Enhancing Sufficient Dimension Reduction via Hellinger Correlation. *Proceedings of the 41st International Conference on Machine Learning*, PMLR 235:18634-18647, 2024. (ICML 2024).

Eftychia Solea, Eliana Christou, and **Jun Song***. (2026). Robust Inverse Regression for Multivariate Elliptical Functional Data. *Statistica Sinica*. Accepted.

Sehun Jang[†] and **Jun Song***. (2024). A selective review of nonlinear sufficient dimension reduction. Communications for Statistical Applications and Methods, 31(2), 247-262.

Jun Song, Kyongwon Kim, and Jae Keun Yoo. (2023). On a Nonlinear Extension of the Principal Fitted Component Model. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*. 182, 107707.

Chuqin Li, Alexis Jordan, **Jun Song**, Yaorong Ge, and Albert Park. (2022). A Novel Approach to characterize State Level food environment and Predict Obesity Rate Using Social Media Data. *Journal of Medical Internet Research*. 24(12), e39340.

Ali Mahzarnia[†] and **Jun Song***. (2022). Multivariate functional group sparse regression: Functional predictor selection. *PLoS ONE*, 17(4), e0265940.

Bing Li and **Jun Song**. (2022). Dimension reduction for functional data based on weak conditional moments. *The Annals of Statistics*. 50(1), 107-128.

Jun Song and Kyongwon Kim. (2022). Sparse Multivariate Functional Principal Component Analysis. *Stat.* 11, e435.

Paul H. Jung[†] and **Jun Song***. (2022). Multivariate Neighborhood Trajectory Analysis: An Exploration of the Functional Data Analysis Approach. *Geographical Analysis*. 54(4), 789-819.

Jun Song* and Bing Li. (2021). Nonlinear and additive principal component analysis for functional data. *Journal of Multivariate Analysis*, 181, 104675.

Jun Song*. (2019). On sufficient dimension reduction for functional data: Inverse moment based methods. Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Computational Statistics. 11, e1459.

Holly Holt, Gabriel Villar, Weiyi Cheng, **Jun Song**, and Christina Grozinger. (2018). Molecular, physiological and behavioral responses of honey bee (Apis mellifera) drones to infection with microsporidian parasites. *Journal of invertebrate pathology*. 155, 14-24.

Bing Li and **Jun Song**. (2017). Nonlinear sufficient dimension reduction for functional data. *The Annals of Statistics*. 45(3), 1059-1095.

Papers Under Review:

Sehun Jang[†] and **Jun Song***. Interaction-Aware Nonlinear Scalar-on-Function Regression with Functional Predictor Selection via Adaptive RKHS.

RESEARCH GRANTS

Current

• RS-2025-16072854 (PI: Jun Song)

National Research Foundation of Korea Pilot and Feasibility Grant (개척연구)

Period: 2025-2028

Title: Functional Data-based Black Box Model Ensemble: Integrating Interpretabil-

ity and Distributed Learning Role: Principal Investigator

• RS-2023-00219212 (PI: Kyoung Hee Kim)

National Research Foundation of Korea

Basic Research Lab (기초연구실)

Period: 2023–2026

Title: Statistical theories and methodologies on data having intrinsic structure

Role: Co-Investigator (20%)

• 2022M3J6A1063595 (PI: Hwan Chung)

Ministry of Science and ICT (MSIT) of Korea

Developing Convergence Talent in Data Science (인재양성)

Period: 2022-2029

Title: DS Plus-Data Science Education Program for Next-Generation Convergence

Talent Role: Co-Investigator

• NRF-2022R1C1C1003647 (PI: Jun Song)

National Research Foundation of Korea

Young Scientist Grants (Outstanding Track, 우수신진연구)

Period: 2022-2027

Title: Interpretable Statistical Methodology for Big Data of Complex Structure

Role: Principal Investigator

Honors and Awards

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

• Faculty Research Grant Award, 2018–2019.

The Pennsylvania State University

- William Harkness Teaching Award, 2016.
- Jack and Eleanor Pettit Scholarship in Science, 2016.
- William Harkness Travel Award for JSM Seattle, 2015.
- August and Ruth Homeyer Graduate Fellowship, 2012–2013.
- University Graduate Fellowship, 2012–2013.

Seoul National University

• Brain Korea 21 Fellowship, Korea, 2011–2012.

Korea Science and Engineering Foundation

• National Science and Technology Scholarship, Korea, 2004–2010.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Korea University, Seoul, Korea

- DAS 512, Principles of Statistical Learning II, Summer 2024, Fall 2025.
- DAS 511, Principles of Statistical Learning I, Spring 2024, Summer 2025.
- STA 829, Topics in Applied Statistics I (Functional Data Analysis), Fall 2023.
- STA 617, Advanced Statistical Machine Learning, Fall 2021, Spring 2025.
- STA 518, Statistical Methodology for Data Analysis, Fall 2022.
- STAT 424, Statistical Machine Learning, Fall 2023, Fall 2025.
- STAT 433, Statistical Modeling for Deep Learning, Spring 2022.
- STAT 221, Introduction to Probability Theory, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025.
- STAT 232, Mathematical Statistics, Fall 2021.
- Workshop (8 hours), R을 이용한 기초 통계학, Feb. 2022, Summer 2022.
- Workshop (8 hours), 로지스틱 회귀분석, Summer 2022.
- Bootcamp (10 hours), R & Python, Feb. 2023, Feb. 2024.

The University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC.

- STAT 7133 / 8133, Multivariate Analysis, Spring 2018, Spring 2019.
- STAT 6115 / DSBA 6115, Statistical Learning with Big Data, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020.
- STAT 3122 / MATH 3122, Probability and Statistics I, Spring 2019.
- STAT 2122, Intro to Probability and Statistics, Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021.
- STAT 1222, Introduction to Statistics, Fall 2017, Summer 2018, Summer 2019.
- STAT 1221, Elements of Statistics I, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Spring 2020.

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA.

- STAT 414 / MATH 414, Introduction to Probability Theory, Summer 2015, 2016.
- STAT 318 / MATH 318, Elementary Probability, Fall 2015, Spring 2016.

STUDENTS RESEARCH SUPERVISION

Korea University, Seoul, South Korea. Current Students

- Current Ph.D. student: Sehoon Jang, Dabeen Kim
- Current M.S. student: Seung Won Chung, Kibum Kim, Noa Jeong, Jiho Choi, Nahyun Han, Minah Kim, Siho Yun, Joonseo Kwon

Former Students

Yerim An (M.S. in August 2025)
 Thesis: Integrating Self-Attention into MLP-Based Architectures for Improved Multivariate Time Series Forecasting

- Hwijin Seo (M.S. in August 2025)
 Thesis: Extracting Multi-Index Structures from Single-Index Hellinger Correlation Based Sufficient Dimension Reduction
- Donghoon Lee (M.S. in February 2025)
 Thesis: Functional Data Synthesis Using Adaptive Basis and Latent Space Diffusion in VAE
- Sumin Jeon (M.S. in February 2025)
 Thesis: Improving Multivariate Time Series Forecasting Accuracy with Weighted PatchTST for Further Prediction
- Dongcheol Shin (M.S. in August 2024)
 Thesis: A Unified Framework for Synthetic Data Generation of Tabular Data via Self-Attention
- Dong Hyun Kang (M.S. in August 2024)
 Thesis: Synthetic data generation via distorted principal loadings: Application to data integration
- Yujin Hwang (M.S. in August 2024)
 Thesis: Nonparametric Variable Selection for Mixed Model
- Seungbeom Hong (M.S. in February 2024)

 Thesis: Enhancing Sufficient Dimension Reduction via Hellinger Correlation
- Dongkwun Yoo (M.S. in February 2024). Thesis: Progressive Folded-MAVE
- Younghun Ko (M.S. in February 2024)
 Thesis: Penalized neural network sufficient dimension reduction

The University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC.

- Ali Mahzarnia (Ph.D. in 2021, first job: Postdoctoral Researcher at Duke University)
- Tanmay Kenjale (B.S. Honor's thesis in December 2021)
- Avery Johnson (M.S. in May 2021)
- Ruari Swift-christian (B.S. in May 2020)
- Wei Zhang (M.S. in December 2018)

Conference Talks

Invited Talks

- Interaction-Aware Nonlinear Scalar-on-Function Regression with Variable Selection via Adaptive RKHS, *ICSDS 2025*, Seville, Spain, December 2025.
- Sparse modeling and non-asymptotic bounds via correlation operator of multivariate functional data, *EcoSta 2024*, Beijing, China, July 2024.
- On correlation operator for multivariate functional data and sparse modeling with non-asymptotic bounds, *Conference of the Korean Statistical Society*, Seoul, South Korea, July 2024.
- Advances in functional predictor selection with its nonasymptotic bounds, IMS-APRM 2024, Melbourne, Australia, January 2024.

- Functional predictor selection and its nonasymptotic behavior, EcoSta 2023, Tokyo, Japan, August 2023.
- Functional sufficient dimension reduction via weak conditional expectation, Conference of the Korean Statistical Society, Jeju, South Korea, December 2022.
- Sufficient dimension reduction for multivariate functional data, *Japanese Joint Statistical Meeting*, Tokyo, Japan, September 2022 (virtual).
- Functional Group Lasso with Functional Predictor Selection, *Joint Statistical Meetings* 2022, Washington D.C., August 2022.
- Functional sparse group lasso, EcoSta 2022, Kyoto, Japan, June 2022 (virtual).
- Functional group sparse regression: functional predictor selection, *Young Statistician's Meeting*, Incheon, South Korea, December 2021.
- Functional sufficient dimensions reduction via weak conditional moments, World Congress in Probability and Statistics, Seoul, South Korea, July 2021.
- Functional sufficient dimensions reduction via weak conditional moments, University of Illinois at Chicago, Online, November 2020.
- On sufficient dimension reduction for functional data, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Virtual meeting, August 2020.
- On sufficient dimension reduction for functional data, CMStatistics 2019, London, UK, December 2019.
- Nonlinear dimension reduction for functional data, University of Nevada at Reno, October 2019.
- Nonlinear dimension reduction for functional data, George Mason University, October 2019.
- Nonlinear and additive principal component analysis for functional data, Korea University, Seoul, South Korea, July 2019.
- Nonlinear and additive principal component analysis for functional data, EcoSta 2019, Taichung, Taiwan, June 2019.
- Nonlinear and additive principal component analysis for functional data, ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, Raleigh, North Carolina, June 2019.
- Nonlinear multivariate functional PCA, Joint Statistical Meetings, Vancouver, Canada, July 2018.
- Nonlinear multivariate functional PCA, Conference of the Korean Statistical Society, Busan, South Korea, May 2018.
- Nonlinear dimension reduction for functional data: supervised v.s. unsupervised, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, March 2018.
- Dimension reduction for functional data, ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, Chicago, Illinois, July 2017.
- Dimension reduction for functional data, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, February 2017
- Dimension reduction for functional data, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, North Carolina, February 2017

- Dimension reduction for functional data, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, February 2017
- Dimension reduction for functional data, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, January 2017
- Dimension reduction for functional data, University of Minnesota, Minnesota, January 2017

Contributed Talks

- On sufficient dimension reduction for functional data, The Joint Statistical Meetings, Chicago, Illinois, July 2016.
- Nonlinear sufficient dimension reduction for functional data, The Joint Statistical Meetings, Seattle, Washington, August 2015.

Professional Membership and Services

- Member of the American Statistical Association.
- Member of the Korean Statistical Society.
- 서울시 통계분야 자문위원, 2024 2027
- Session organizer, EcoSta 2024, Beijing, China, July 2024.
- External reviewer for the Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, 2018 2021.
- Reviewer for the following journals: (not updated since 2022)

 Annals of Statistics, Journal of the American Statistical Association, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B, Biometrika, Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics, Journal of Multivariate Analysis, Statistica Sinica, Statistics and Computing, Statistics in Medicine, Statistics and Probability Letters, Stat, Annals of the Institute of Statistical Mathematics, Statistical Analysis and Data Mining, Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Computational Statistics, Journal of System Science and Complexity, and Journal of Business & Economic Statistics.
- Co-organizer, The October Math Day Symposium, Charlotte, NC, October 2020.
- Session organizer, CMStatistics 2021, London, UK, December 2021.
- Committee of Data Science and Business Analytics Graduate Curriculum, School of Data Science, UNC Charlotte, 2020 2021.

OTHER SERVICES AND EXPERIENCES

- Local Committee of National Math and Science Competition, KSEA, 2018–2021.
- Peer advisor for new Ph.D. students in Statistics, The Pennsylvania State University, 2014.
- Graduate Student Consultant, Statistical Consulting Center, The Pennsylvania State University, Fall 2013, Spring 2014.
- Graduate studies, Department of Statistics, Seoul National University, 2011 2012.
- Mentor for students in College of Liberal Studies, Seoul National University, 2010

 2011.
- Research Assistant, The Bank of Korea, Seoul, Korea, Oct. 2008–Nov. 2008.

- Research Assistant, The Boston Consulting Group, Seoul, Korea, Aug. 2008–Sep. 2008, and Dec.2008.
- Excellent Undergraduate Tutor, Department of Mathematical Sciences, Seoul National University, Spring, 2008.
- (Mandatory) Military Service, Sergeant, Republic of Korea Army, Feb. 2005 Feb. 2007