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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research lies at the intersection of human-computer interaction (HCI), computer-supported cooperative work (CSCW), computer-mediated communication (CMC), and educational technology. My primary research focus is to build rich collaboration systems that offer expressive multi-modal interactions, i.e., interactions through multiple communication channels (e.g., speech, gesture, and grasp). My design approach translates natural human interactions into novel combinations of input modalities that serve as building blocks for fluid, rich, and lightweight interfaces. My evaluation approach deploys and evaluates high-fidelity systems in real world contexts (e.g., classrooms), from which we can obtain ecologically valid user data. I plan to pursue my vision for rich collaboration systems by extending my approach to virtual reality, a promising next generation computing platform.

EDUCATION

Cornell University Ithaca, NY

Ph.D. in Information Science Aug 2012 – Jul 2017

Area of Study: Human-computer Interaction Advisors: Professor François Guimbretière

Seoul National University Seoul, Korea

M.S. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Mar 2007 – Feb 2009

Area of Study: Computer Graphics Advisor: Professor Hyeong-Seok Ko

Seoul National University Seoul, Korea

B.S. in Electrical Engineering Mar 2003 – Feb 2007

Graduated with honors (cum laude)

EMPLOYMENTS

University of British Columbia Vancouver, BC, Canada

Assistant Professor at the Department of Computer Science Aug 2017 – Present

edX Cambridge, MA, U.S.

Research Intern, mentored by Piotr Mitros

May 2015 – Aug 2015

Supporting online peer-discussion using voice and gesture interactions

Microsoft Research Redmond, WA, U.S.

Research Intern, mentored by Ken Hinckley May 2014 – Aug 2014

Tablet user interfaces with capacitive grasp and inertial motion sensing

Microsoft Research Cambridge, UK

Research Intern, mentored by Nicholas Chen and Abigail Sellen Sep 2013 – Dec 2013

Multi-modal document annotation user interfaces

Korea Institute of Science and Technology Seoul, Korea

Research Scientist Mar 2009 – Aug 2012

Multi-touch, AR, and VR technologies and their usability issues

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Flur Company, Xenix Studio

Software Developer

Face recognition engine for interactive media art exhibitions at Samsung HQ,

Cross-platform mobile AR framework

Seoul, Korea Nov 2008 – Mar 2009, Aug 2010 – Nov 2011

CONFERENCE PAPER PUBLICATIONS

[c.6] TypeTalker: Simplified and Anonymized Multi-Modal Comment Production Using Speech Recognition and Synthesis. Ian Arawjo, **Dongwook Yoon**, and François Guimbretière.

CSCW 2017, ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing.

(Full paper, 35% acceptance rate)

[c.5] SimpleSpeech: Simplified Audio Production in Asynchronous Voice-Based Discussions.

Venkatesh Sivaraman, **Dongwook Yoon**, and Piotr Mitros.

CHI 2016, ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. (Full paper, 23% acceptance rate)

[c.4] RichReview⁺⁺: Deployment of a Collaborative Multi-Modal Annotation System for Instructor Feedback and Peer Discussion.

Dongwook Yoon, Nicholas Chen, Bernie Randles, Amy Cheatle, Steven Jackson, Corinna Loeckenhoff, Abigail Sellen, and François Guimbretière.

CSCW 2016, ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing. (Full paper, 25% acceptance rate)

[c.3] Sensing Tablet Grasp + Micro-mobility for Active Reading.

Dongwook Yoon, Ken Hinckley, Hrvoje Benko, François Guimbretière, Pourang Irani, Michel Pahud, and Marcel Gavriliu.

UIST 2015, ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology. (Full paper, 24% acceptance rate)

[c.2] RichReview: A System to Support Discussion of Digital Documents through Speaking, Inking, and Pointing. **Dongwook Yoon**, Nicholas Chen, François Guimbretière, and Abigail Sellen.

UIST 2014, ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology. (Full paper, 22% acceptance rate)

[c.1] TextTearing: Expanding Whitespace for Digital Ink Annotation.

Dongwook Yoon, Nicholas Chen, and François Guimbretière.

UIST 2013, ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology. (Short paper, 20% acceptance rate)

WORKSHOP PAPERS, POSTERS, AND DEMOS

[p.9] Enriching Online Classroom Communication with Collaborative Multimodal Annotations.

Dongwook Yoon, and François Guimbretière.

UIST 2015. (Doctoral symposium).

[p.8] Multimodal Peer Discussion with RichReview on edX.

Dongwook Yoon, and Piotr Mitros.

UIST 2015. (Demonstrations).

[p.7] Supporting Face-to-Face Like Communication Modalities for Asynchronous Assignment Feedback in Math Education. Bernie Randles, **Dongwook Yoon**, Amy Cheatle, Malte Jung, and François Guimbretière.

Learning at Scale 2015. (Extended abstracts)

[p.6] Let me show you what I read: exploring referencing strategies for e-books.

Dongwook Yoon, Huaishu Peng, and Bin Xu.

SIGCHI 2013. (Extended abstracts)

[p.5] Touch-Bookmark: a lightweight navigation and bookmarking technique for e-books.

Dongwook Yoon, Yong-jun Cho, Kiwon Yeom, and Ji-Hyung Park.

SIGCHI 2011. (Extended abstracts)

[p.4] Mobiature: 3D model manipulation technique for large displays using mobile devices.

Dongwook Yoon, Joong Ho Lee, Kiwon Yeom, and Ji-Hyung Park.

ICCE 2011, IEEE International Conference On Consumer Electronics. (Short paper)

[p.3] Wave Touch: Educational Game on Interactive Tabletop with Water Simulation.

JoongHo Lee, Won Moon, Kiwon Yeom, **Dongwook Yoon**, Dong-young Kim, JungHyun Han and Ji-Hyung Park.

ICEC 2010, IFIP International Conference on Entertainment Computing. (Short paper)

[p.2] Example-Driven Landmarking of Human Body Scans.

Dongwook Yoon, Nambin Heo, and Hyeong-seok Ko.

ITAA 2009, International Textile and Apparel Association Annual Conference. (Short paper)

[p.1] Population-based Body Generation.

Nambin Heo, Dongwook Yoon, and Hyeong-seok Ko.

ITAA 2009, International Textile and Apparel Association Annual Conference. (Short paper)

HONORS AND SCHOLARSHIP

The Kwanjeong Educational Foundation Scholarship. To cover tuition and living expenses for the Ph.D. study. (\$30k/year for 5 years)	Aug 2012 – Present
ACM UIST Doctoral Symposium Travel Grant. To cover travel expenses for the conference visiting.	Nov 2015
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award. Cornell University, CS1110: Introduction to Computing Using Python.	May 2014
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award Cornell University, CS1110: Introduction to Computing Using Python.	May 2013
Patent Fair, Excellence Award. (2 nd Place) KIST, Gestural UI for mixed-reality e-books using smartphones as tangible controllers.	Aug 2011
Smartphone App Contest Award. (2 nd Place) Sejong Art Center, Social commerce system for an arts center 'Mobile & Social Sejong'.	Jun 2010
Electronics Fair Award. (2 nd Place) Seoul National University, Body generation techniques for digital fashion software	Nov 2008
The National Science & Technology Scholarship. Korea Research Foundation, Tuition and living expenses covered for B.S. studies.	Mar 2003 – Feb 2007

TEACHING

CS1110: Introduction to Computing Using Python, Cornell University.

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Fall 2014

TA, Instructed by Walker White.

CS1110: Introduction to Computing Using Python, Cornell University.

Spring 2014

Received the Outstanding TA Award from the CS department.

Head TA managing +400 students class, Instructed by Lillian Lee and Steve Marschner.

CS1110: Introduction to Computing Using Python, Cornell University.

Spring 2013

Received the Outstanding TA Award from the CS department.

TA, Instructed by Lillian Lee and Steve Marschner.

RESEARCH MENTORING

Venkatesh Sivaraman, RSI Intern at MIT.

Jul 2015 – Aug 2015

SimpleSpeech: Simplified Audio Production in Asynchronous Voice-Based Discussions.

Co-mentoring with Piotr Mitros.

Ian Arawjo, Ph.D. student at Cornell University.

Aug 2015 - Present

TypeTalker: Simplified and Anonymized Multi-Modal Comment Production Using

Speech Recognition and Synthesis.

Co-mentoring with François Guimbretière.

Soon Hau Chua, Ph.D. student at National University of Singapore.

Oct 2015 - Present

User interfaces for supporting online discussion.

Co-mentoring with Shengdong Zhao.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewing CHI Paper Proceedings (2015 – 2017), Extended Abstracts (2013).

CSCW Paper Proceedings (2014 – 2017). UIST Paper Proceedings (2014 – 2017).

University Service Information Science Graduate Student Association at Cornell.

Hiring Representative (2015 - 2016), Vice President (2014 - 2015).

Korean Graduate Student Association at Cornell.

Vice President (2016 – 2017), IT Management Chair (2013 – 2016).

PATENTS

Absolute image orientation displacement monitoring and manipulation apparatus (US8878875), Nov 2014.

Ji-Hyung Park, **Dongwook Yoon**, Joong Ho Lee, Ki-Won Yeom.

Gestural annotations (14/192,936), Feb 2014.

Nicholas Chen, Abigail Sellen, **Dongwook Yoon**.

Method for population-driven identification of body landmarks (US8406497), Mar 2013.

Dongwook Yoon, Hyeong-Seok Ko.

Display apparatus and contents display method (14/351,797), Oct 2012.

Ji Hyung Park, Dongwook Yoon, Joong Ho Lee

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SKILLS

HCI Research Methodologies: Iterative Design, Quantitative Methods, Qualitative Methods.

Web Technology: HTML, CSS, jQuery, Node.js, Django.

Computer Graphics and Vision: OpenGL, DirectX, OpenCV.

Programming Languages: C, C++, Python, JavaScript, Java, VHDL.

Tools: R, SPSS, Matlab, NVivo.

REFERENCES

François Guimbretière

Associate Professor, Cornell University francois@cs.cornell.edu

Ken Hinckley

Principal Researcher, Microsoft Research kenh@microsoft.com

Piotr Mitros

Chief Scientist, edX pmitros@edx.org

Susan Fussell

Professor, Cornell University sfussell@cornell.edu

Abigail Sellen

Principal Researcher, Microsoft Research asellen@microsoft.com