# Sukwon Yun

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#### RESEARCH **INTEREST**

# **Graph Neural Networks**

- Designing robust Graph Neural Networks under various circumstances as real-world scenarios where inductive bias does not hold ideally and alleviating the fundamental limitation of Graph Neural Networks
- Keywords: Long-Tail Problem, Missing Features, Heterophily, Oversmoothing

#### **EDUCATION**

# Korea Adavanced Institute of Technology (KAIST), Daejeon, South Korea

Aug 2021 – Aug 2023

- M.S. in Industrial & Systems Engineering
  - Research Interest: Graph Neural Networks, Recommender Systems
  - Advisor: Prof. Chanyoung Park

#### Hanyang University, Seoul, South Korea

Mar 2015 – Aug 2021

- B.S. in Industrial Engineering
  - · Early Graduation, Summa Cum Laude
  - · Period includes two years of military service, required for all Korean men

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### CONFERENCES

- [C2] MELT: Mutual Enhancement of Long-Tailed User and Item for Sequential Recommendation Kibum Kim, Dongmin Hyun, Sukwon Yun, Chanyoung Park ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval (SIGIR 2023)
- [C1] LTE4G: Long-Tail Experts for Graph Neural Networks Sukwon Yun, Kibum Kim, Kanghoon Yoon, Chanyoung Park ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM 2022)

#### RESEARCH **EXPERIENCES**

# Tokyo Institute of Technology (Tokyo Tech), Tokyo, Japan

Oct 2022 – Feb 2023

- Visiting Researcher in Murata Lab.
  - · Host: Prof. Tsuyoshi Murata
  - · Explored weaknesses of structured-based and GNN-based methods in graphs with missing features
  - Proposed supervised contrastive learning that incorporates pseudo-labels in graph domains
  - Submitted a paper that alleviates missing feature problem on graphs at KDD 2023

#### Korea Adavanced Institute of Technology (KAIST), Daejeon, South Korea

Dec 2020 - Feb 2021

- Research Intern in Data Science & Artificial Intelligence Lab. (DSAIL)
  - Advisor: Prof. Chanyoung Park
  - Researched fundamentals of spectral-based GNNs such as GCN (link), GAT (link), and also BPR (link)
  - · Implemented key papers on Graph Neural Networks and Recommendation Systems

# Hanyang University, Seoul, South Korea

Sep 2020 - Aug 2021

- Research Student in Intelligent Data Systems Lab. (IDSL)
  - Advisor: Prof. Kichun Lee
  - Proposed an advanced version of Neural Graph Collaborative Filtering using a heterogeneous graph
  - Implemented Matrix Factorization of the BPR model using multiprocessing on the Epinion dataset
  - · Implemented One-Class SVM on anomaly detection task using MNIST dataset

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# **IE343: Statistical Machine Learning, KAIST**

Spring, 2022

- Gave a tutorial and hosted Kaggle Competition (Course Project) as a Teaching Assistant
  - · Competition: Predicting a person's income using a demographic dataset under an imbalance situation

#### **AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### **Korea National Scholarship**

2021 - Present

• Awarded by the Ministry of Science and ICT, South Korea

### **Poster Competition Excellence Award**

2022

2022

Awarded at Industrial/Social Problem Solving Session held by Department of ISysE, KAIST

#### SIGIR Student Travel Award

ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management, Georgia, USA

# **Merit Based Scholarship**

2021

Awarded by the Department of Industrial Engineering, Hanyang University

# **Hanyang Academic Achievement Award**

2021

• Awarded within the top 3% among the College of Engineering, Hanyang University

### **Certificate of Recognition**

2018

• Awarded when serving military service as auxiliary police by Seoul Metropolitan Police

#### **PROJECTS**

# **Recommending Financial Products based on Graph Embeddings**

Feb 2021 – Feb 2022

- Collaboration with Hana Bank, South Korea
  - · Generated financial networks via Jaccard similarity from user's data and enhanced user representation via GNN

#### REFERENCES

• Prof. Chanyoung Park, Assistant Professor, KAIST

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• Prof. Tsuyoshi Murata, Professor, Tokyo Tech

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• **Prof. Kichun Lee**, Associate Professor, Hanyang University

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