

# Kunwoo Park

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## EDUCATION

KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea

*Ph.D. in Graduate School of Web Science Technology, School of Computing*

Feb. 2018

- Dissertation topic: Identification and analysis of key factors driving longevity in online social platforms (honored the Outstanding PhD Dissertation Award in School of Computing, KAIST)

KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea

*M.S. in Division of Web Science and Technology*

Feb. 2014

- Dissertation topic: Gender swapping and its effects in MMORPGs

Kwangwoon University, Seoul, South Korea

*B.S. in Computer Science*

Feb. 2012

## RESEARCH INTEREST

I study at the intersection of Data science/AI approaches and social science, known as Computational social science. Recent research interest is on online misinformation and fake news, which is a significant problem that not only reduces the probability of long-term usage in online systems but also undermines the credibility of our society.

Below are the examples of my previous research, most of which I presented at top-tier CS conferences:

- Detection of online misinformation and fake news (AAAI '19, FNDM, ongoing)
- Discovery of engagement biases in online ratings (WWW '18, ICWSM '20)
- Identification of factors driving longevity in online social services (CSCW '16, WWW '17)

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Kunwoo Park**, Haewoon Kwak, Hyunho Song, and Meeyoung Cha. "Trust me, I have a Ph.D.: Exposing a high offline status leads to heightened positive interactions in online communities", *to appear at the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2020.
2. Jeongmin Kim, **Kunwoo Park**, Hyeonho Song, Jaimie Y. Park and Meeyoung Cha. "Learning How Spectator Reactions Affect Popularity on Twitch", *to appear at the IEEE International Conference on Big Data and Smart Computing (BigComp)*, 2020. (AR=23.7%)
3. **Kunwoo Park**, Taegyun Kim, Seunghyun Yoon, Meeyoung Cha, and Kyomin Jung. "BaitWatcher: A lightweight web interface for checking incongruent news headlines", *to appear at Springer Book Chapters on Fake News, Disinformation, and Misinformation in Social Media (FNDM)*, 2020.
4. Seunghyun Yoon, **Kunwoo Park**, Joongbo Shin, Hongjun Lim, Seungpil Won, Meeyoung Cha and Kyomin Jung. "Detecting Incongruity Between News Headline and Body Text via a Deep Hierarchical Encoder", *In the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2019. (AR=16%)
  - The first two authors equally contributed to this work.
  - A short version of this work was presented at IPAM deep learning workshop, 2018.
  - This work was featured at YTN, Channel A, Joong daily, and many others (in Korean).
5. **Kunwoo Park**, Meeyoung Cha, and Eunhee Rhim. "Positivity Bias in Customer Satisfaction Ratings" *In the Web Conference (WebConf) Companion*, 2018.
  - This work was featured at etnews (in Korean).
6. **Kunwoo Park** and Meeyoung Cha. "Churn Analysis of Max Level Users in Online Games" *In Journal of Korean Institute of Information Scientists and Engineers*, 2017.
  - This work was featured at Korean broadcasting and daily such as YTN, ThisIsGame, Daily CnC, Yonhap News, Digital Times, Energy Economics, and Go Korea (in Korean).

7. **Kunwoo Park**, Meeyoung Cha, Haewoon Kwak, and Kuan-Ta Chen. “Achievement and Friends: Key Factors of Player Retention Vary Across Player Levels in Online Multiplayer Games” In *the International Conference on World Wide Web (WWW) Companion*, 2017.
  - A short version of this work was presented at NetSci 2017.
8. **Kunwoo Park**, Ingmar Weber, Meeyoung Cha, and Chul Lee. “Persistent Sharing of Fitness App Status on Twitter” In *the ACM International Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW)*, 2016. (AR=25%)
  - A short version of this work was presented at NetSci 2016.
  - This work was featured at Mathematics Donga journal (in Korean).
9. **Kunwoo Park**, Jaewoo Kim, Jaram Park, Meeyoung Cha, Jiin Nam, Seunghyun Yoon, and Eunhee Rhim. “Mining the Minds of Customers from Online Chat Logs” In *the ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM)*, 2015. (short paper)
10. Gareth Paul Beeston, Manuel Leon Urrutia, Caroline Halcrow, Xianni Xiao, Lu Liu, Jinchuan Wang, Jinho Jay Kim, and **Kunwoo Park**. “Humour reactions in crisis: a proximal analysis of Chinese posts on sina weibo in reaction to the salt panic of march 2011” In *the International Conference on World Wide Web (WWW) Companion*, 2014.
11. **Kunwoo Park**, Jaram Park, SungKyu Park, Jaewoo Kim, Sejeong Kwon, Jinah Kwak, and Meeyoung Cha. “Voice of the Employees Resonated in Online Bamboo Forests” In *the ICWSM Workshop on Social Computing for Workforce 2.0*, 2013.
12. **Kunwoo Park**, Seonggyu Lee, Eunae Kim, Minjee Park, Juyong Park, and Meeyoung Cha. “Mood and Weather: Feeling the Heat?” In *the International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2013. (short paper)
13. Jing-Kai Lou, **Kunwoo Park**, Meeyoung Cha, Juyong Park, Chin-Laung Lei, and Kuan-Ta Chen. “Gender Swapping and User Behaviors in Online Social Games” In *the International Conference on World Wide Web (WWW)*, 2013. (AR=15%)
  - The first two authors equally contributed to this work.
  - A short version of this work was presented at Workshop on Information in Network (WIN), 2013.
  - This work was featured at Mathematics Donga journal (in Korean).

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

<b>Postdoctoral Researcher</b> at <i>Qatar Computing Research Institute</i> , Doha, Qatar	Dec. 2018 – Jan. 2020
<b>Postdoctoral Researcher</b> at <i>KAIST</i> , Daejeon, South Korea	Mar. 2018 – Oct. 2018
<b>Research Associate</b> at <i>Qatar Computing Research Institute</i> , Doha, Qatar	Dec. 2016 – Aug. 2017
<b>Data Analysis &amp; AI Intern</b> at <i>Netmarble Games</i> , Seoul, South Korea	Jul. 2015 – Aug. 2015
<b>Research Assistant</b> at <i>Qatar Computing Research Institute</i> , Doha, Qatar	Feb. 2014 – Aug. 2014
<b>Trainee</b> at <i>National Institute for Mathematical Science</i> , Daejeon, South Korea	Sep. 2012 – Dec. 2012

#### ACADEMIC SERVICES

I have served as a Program Committee of international conferences such as *ICWSM* (2015-2020) and *WebSci* (2019) and reviewed papers submitted to prestigious journals such as *Palgrave Communications* and *Online Information Review*.

<b>SELECTED HONORS</b>	<i>The Outstanding PhD Thesis Award</i> , School of Computing, KAIST	Feb. 2018
	<i>Special Prize</i> (the 1st place among college teams), R&D Competition at Artificial Intelligence, the Institute for Information & communications Technology Promotion	Dec. 2017
	<i>NAVER PhD Fellowship Award</i> , NAVER Corp	Jul. 2016
	<i>Creative Award</i> , Tour Big Data Analysis Competition, the Korean Culture & Tourism Institute	Jul. 2014
	<i>Student Travel Grant Award</i> , the ICWSM, AAAI	Jul. 2013
	<i>Smart Award</i> , IBM Smarter Planet Contest, IBM Korea	Oct. 2010

<b>SKILLS</b>	Fluency in Quantitative Methods: data analysis, machine (deep) learning, social network analysis Excellence in Programming Languages: Python, Java, R, SQL
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