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## Interests

- Back-end engineering for ML projects
- Developing and documenting API for engineers or researchers
- Free and open-source software

## Skills

Programming Languages

Python (expert), Go, Bash, C#, JavaScript

AI Research

PyTorch, data or pipeline parallelism, Triton Inference Server, NVIDIA Nsight Systems

Back-end Development

Linux, Docker, Kubernetes, AWS, Terraform, ZeroMQ, Redis, Couchbase, MySQL, etcd

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## Work Experience

Software Engineer

**Naver**, 2020–

*A technology company.*

Redesign the research platform to boost productivity in **Clova**.

Software Engineer

**Kakao Brain**, 2018–2020

*The AI research lab in Kakao.*

Focused on parallel training of convolutional neural networks, including large-scale data parallelism and pipeline parallelism. Developed and published a pipeline parallelism library in PyTorch named **torchgpipe**.

Developed a serverless training framework and a distributed hyperparameter search platform for an AutoML service.

Game Server Engineer & Architect

**Nexon**, 2011–2018

*Developed and launched Durango, KartRider Dash & Coin Rush.*

Designed and developed cloud-based distributed game servers for Durango (MMORPG) and **KartRider Dash & Coin Rush** (online racing games) respectively. Durango achieved up to 70k concurrent users per game world.

Developed an internationalization and localization system focused on linguistic features of Korean and Indo-European languages.

Researched rating systems such as Elo, Glicko, and **TrueSkill** to develop a matchmaker.

Led a server engineering team including 15 engineers.

Web Developer

**Npine**, 2008–2011

*Supplies stock images for business on Iclickart.*

Developed web services from scratch. Maintained on-premise Linux servers.

Front-end Web Developer

**Lunant**, 2008–2011

*Served social media named VLAHH.*

Designed and implemented the UI/UX for social media.

## Open Source Experience

**torchgpipe**, 2019–2020

*A GPipe implementation in PyTorch.*

Implemented **GPipe** in PyTorch with optimization for CUDA, PyTorch's autograd engine, and long skip connections. GPipe is a scalable pipeline parallelism library for the training of a giant model.

This project has become [a part of PyTorch](#). The story behind it can be found on [Kakao Brain Blog](#)<sup>ko</sup> and [the technical report](#).

**Hangulize**, 2010–

*Automatically transcribes a non-Korean word into Hangul.*

Implemented an automatic Hangul transcription algorithm to realize [Brian Jongseong Park's idea](#). Designed and implemented the web service and RESTful API.

Many professional Korean translators habitually use this tool to translate undocumented proper nouns. Netflix refers to this tool in [the Korean timed text style guide](#).

**TrueSkill**, 2012–

*A TrueSkill™ implementation in Python.*

Implemented **TrueSkill™**, which is a rating algorithm for Xbox Live, in Python with a handy interface. This project was introduced in [PyData Berlin 2019](#).

**Profiling**, 2014–2018

*An interactive profiler for Python inspired by the Unity3D profiler.*

Developed a Python profiler with an interactive TUI inspired by [the Unity profiler](#). On GitHub, this project has been starred by 3k people. Also, it was the 3rd daily trending repository on Sep 22, 2014.

Others

- **Tossi** – A utility for Korean allomorphic particles.
- **Flask-AutoIndex** – mod\_autoindex for **Flask**.
- **SUBLEERUNKER** – A simple parody game of SUBERUNKER.
- **Me2virus** – An XSS attack on social media named **Me2day**. When a user looks at an infected post, a new infected post was written on the user's wall.

Contributions

- For **PyTorch**, fixed potential GPU memory violation ([#27371](#)); deprecated inconsistent API ([#21006](#), [#25985](#)); discussed a counterintuitive behavior of the autograd engine ([#18568](#)).
- For **ZeroMQ**, discussed a PUB socket crash ([#2942](#)).
- For **Flask**, fixed a bug to generate URL with a subdomain ([#108](#)).
- For **jQuery 1.4.3**, restored a missing part of the content negotiation header for Ajax.

## Publications

- C. Kim\*, [H. Lee\\*](#), M. Jeong, W. Baek, B. Yoon, I. Kim, S. Lim, S. Kim. "torchgpipe: On-the-fly Pipeline Parallelism for Training Giant Models". [arXiv preprint arXiv:2004.09910](#). (2020)

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## Public Speeches

- [Remake of Hangulize](#)<sup>ko</sup> at Golang Korea 2018 and Naver D2
  - [Server architecture of Durango Vol. 3](#)<sup>ko</sup> at NDC 2018
  - [Python Survival Guide](#)<sup>ko</sup> at Nexon Talk 2016
  - [Server architecture of Durango Vol. 2](#)<sup>ko</sup> at NDC 2016
  - [Profiling](#)<sup>ko</sup> at PyCon KR 2015
  - [Server architecture of Durango](#)<sup>ko</sup> at NDC 2014
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## Languages

- Korean – native
- English – conversational

## Education

Computer Software, [Kwangwoon University](#), 2008 – Completed the first year only.