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# Education

# University of Washington

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Advisers: Hannaneh Hajishirzi, Ali Farhadi, Oren Etzioni

# University of Washington

M.S. in Computer Science

#### University of California, Berkeley

B.S. in Electrical Engineering & Computer Science

Cumulative GPA: 3.94/4.0

**Employment** 

### Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence

Jun - Sep 2016

Sep 2013 -

Sep 2013 – Dec 2015

Aug 2008 - May 2012

Research Intern (advisers: Ani Kembhavi, Ali Farhadi)

Devised a deep learning model for machine comprehension task that uses bi-attention flow to effectively link and fuse information from both context paragraph and question [6]. It achieved the state-of-the-art results on Stanford Question Answering Dataset (SQuAD) test data, as of Nov 28, 2016. Details in allenai.github.io/bi-att-flow

#### Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence

Mar – Jun 2015, Jun – Sep 2014

Research Intern (advisers: Ali Farhadi, Oren Etzioni)

Participated in Project Euclid and devised an end-to-end system that solves geometry problems in college entrance exam (SAT) with SAT score of 49% [4]. Also worked on the project as a research assistant in University of Washington. Details in geometry.allenai.org.

#### Seoul National University, Korea

Aug – Sep 2013

Research Intern (adviser: Young-gil Shin)

Devised a Markov-chain-based algorithm for slice-matching the medical images of patient torsos with accuracy of 95%.

Oracle Corporation Aug 2012 – May 2013

 $Software\ Engineer$ 

Developed tools for verifying the operating system of Oracle's switches.

#### Symantec Corporation

May 2011 - Aug 2011

Software Engineering Intern

Developed tools for debugging Semantic Enterprise Protection.

# **Publications**

[7] Aniruddha Kembhavi, Mike Salvato, Eric Kolve, Minjoon Seo, Hannaneh Hajishirzi, and Ali Farhadi. "A diagram is worth a dozen images". In: Proceedings of ECCV. 2016.

- [6] Minjoon Seo, Aniruddha Kembhavi, Ali Farhadi, and Hannaneh Hajishirzi. "Bidirectional attention flow for machine comprehension". In: arXiv preprint arXiv:1611.01603 (Nov. 2016).
- [5] Minjoon Seo, Ali Farhadi, and Hannaneh Hajishirzi. "Query-regression networks for machine comprehension". In: arXiv preprint arXiv:1606.04582 (June 2016).
- [4] Minjoon Seo, Hannaneh Hajishirzi, Ali Farhadi, Oren Etzioni, and Clint Malcolm. "Solving geometry problems: combining text and diagram interpretation". In: *Proceedings of EMNLP*. 2015.
- [3] Lilian de Greef, Mayank Goel, Minjoon Seo, Eric C Larson, James W Stout, James A Taylor, and Shwetak N Patel. "Bilicam: using mobile phones to monitor newborn jaundice". In: *Proceedings of UbiComp.* 2014.
- [2] Minjoon Seo, Hannaneh Hajishirzi, Ali Farhadi, and Oren Etzioni. "Diagram understanding in geometry questions". In: *Proceedings of AAAI*. 2014.
- [1] David Moore, Kevin Mayeda, Steve Myers, Minjoon Seo, and Stuart Russell. "Progress in signal-based bayesian monitoring". In: *Proceedings of the 2012 monitoring research review: ground-based nuclear explosion monitoring technologies.* 2012.

#### Honors and Awards

- Best Paper Nomination [3], UbiComp 2014
- Graduated with Highest Honors (Summa cum Laude), UC Berkeley, 2012

## **Talks**

- University of Washington / Microsoft Research NLP Symposium, 2 Dec 2016
- Samsung AI Lab, 29 Sep 2016
- SK T-Brain, 21 Sep 2016

### Services

- Reviewer: EACL (2017), NIPS (2016), ACL (2016), NAACL-HLT SRW (2016)
- Subreviewer: EMNLP (2016), ECCV (2016), AAAI (2014, 2015, 2016)

### Graduate Coursework

Natural Language Processing; Machine Learning; Computer Vision; Artificial Intelligence; Database Management System; Applied Algorithms; Approximation Algorithms; Computer-aided Reasoning (Programming Language)

# References

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