# EunJeong Hwang

#### Education

University of British Columbia

Sep. 2022 - Present

PhD, Computer Science 4.0/4.0

Sep. 2019 - May. 2021

Vancouver, BC

MTV. CA

Boston, MA

Remote

Seongnam, Korea

Seoul, Korea

University of Massachusetts-Amherst

MS, Computer Science 3.67/4.0

Mar. 2014 - Feb. 2018 Kwangwoon University

BS, Computer Science 3.82/4.5

Research Experience

University of British Columbia Sep. 2022 - Present

Research Assistant, Advised by Vered Shwartz

• Research on incorporating implicit contexts into large language models.

Google AI Jan. 2024 - Present

Research Intern (Host: Yichao Zhou, Beliz Gunel) • Research on incremental structured summaries and resolving knowledge conflicts.

Jul. 2023 - Nov.2023

MIT-IBM Research

Research Intern (Host: Veronika Thost, Dan Gutfreund) • Research on reasoning subjective opinions using graph structures.

Allen Institute for AI (AI2) Apr. 2023 - Dec.2023

Research Collaborator (Mentor: Bodhisattwa Prasad Majumder, Niket Tandon) Remote

• Research on aligning language models to user opinions.

**UMass Amherst-IBM** Feb. 2021 - Oct.2021

Graduate Student Researcher (Mentor: Veronika Thost, Tengfei Ma)

• Research on virtual node augmented graph neural networks (GNN) for link prediction tasks.

Information Extraction & Synthesis Lab (IESL), UMass Amherst Jan. 2020 - Aug. 2021

Graduate Student Researcher (Mentor: Jay-Yoon Lee, Michael Boratko)

Amherst, MA

• Research on box embeddings for relation extraction and question-answering tasks.

Work Experience

Application Developer Intern

Naver Corp. Mar. 2021 - Jun. 2022

Software Engineer in Knowledge Base team

• Constructed a knowledge graph based on regional district information, such as restaurants, festivals, and exhibitions, and

expanded search queries using neo4j along with developing a weather-related search system.

IBM Jan. 2018 - Apr. 2019

Application Developer Seoul. Korea

- Stock Market Predictions using AI, Shinhan Financial Group: Extracted financial text patterns using a rule-based Watson solution and constructed a financial keyword graph by extracting important phrases in retrieved news.
- Information System Audit, Standard Chartered Bank: Maintained and improved functionality of bank surveillance system and bank branch audit system.
- Learning Platform Development, Hanwha: Implemented basic functions on the learning platform, including search, paging, listing, and export, and participated in all phases of the project from requirement specifications to user acceptance testing with clients.

IBMSep. 2017 - Dec. 2017

• Designed database tables and developed the learning platform websites in accordance with user interface design.

#### **Publications**

A Graph per Persona: Reasoning about Subjective Natural Language Descriptions

In submission

EunJeong Hwang, Anonymous

MemeCap: A Dataset for Captioning and Interpreting Memes

**EMNLP 2023** 

EunJeong Hwang, Vered Shwartz

Aligning Language Models to User Opinions

EMNLP-Findings 2023

EunJeong Hwang, Bodhisattwa Prasad Majumder, Niket Tandon

Knowledge Graph Compression Enhances Diverse Commonsense Generation

**EMNLP 2023** 

EunJeong Hwang, Veronika Thost, Vered Shwartz, Tengfei Ma

An Analysis of Virtual Nodes in Graph Neural Networks for Link Prediction (Extended Abstract)

LoG 2022 (Oral)

EunJeong Hwang, Veronika Thost, Shib Sankar Dasgupta, Tengfei Ma

Event-Event Relation Extraction using Probabilistic Box Embedding

**ACL 2022** 

EunJeong Hwang, Jay-yoon Lee, Tianyi Yang, Dhruvesh Patel, Dongxu Zhang, Andrew McCallum

# Teaching Experience

Guest lecture about Multimodal Commonsense in CPSC 532V (Prof. Vered Shwartz)

Feb. 2024

 Lectured about tasks requiring commonsense beyond textual modalities, recent vision-language models, and their future directions.

Grader for CS685 Advanced Natural Language Processing (Prof. Brendan O'Connor)

Feb. 2021 - May. 2021

• Grade students' assignments, provide feedback, and help them out to solve confusion on class material.

# **Invited Talks**

Invited talk at UT Austin (Host: Prof. Jessy Li at LIN 393)

Feb 8, 2024

• Talk about Aligning language models to user opinions.

## Services

• Workshop Co-Organizer

1st Personalization of Generative AI workshop (PERSONALIZE @ EACL 2024)

• Reviewer

2024: ARR-ACL 2024, \*SEM 2024, The First Workshop on Data Contamination (CONDA 2024), AAAI Workshop on Responsible Language Models (ReLM 2024)

• Departmental Service

UBC CS: Admission Committee Member for the CSE Ph.D. Program (2022)

## **Technical Skills**

**Programming**: Python, Java

Packages: PyTorch