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Summary

I'm Eunseong Choi, a Ph.D. candidate in the Data Intelligence and Learning Lab, Sungkyunkwan University (advisor: Prof. Jongwuk Lee), expected to complete my degree in February 2026. My research lies in **Information Retrieval** and **Natural Language Processing**, with an emphasis on building **robust and efficient Retrieval-Augmented Generation** frameworks. My work has received 200+ citations and has been published in top-tier conferences in NLP and IR. Representative research includes:



- **Retrieval-Augmented Generation:**
 - Context–memory conflicts [C1]
 - Prompt compression for efficient LLMs [C4]
- **Information Retrieval:**
 - Passage re-ranking [C2]
 - Learned sparse representation [C8]
 - Generative recommendation [C3]
 - Query reduction [C7]
- **Natural Language Processing:**
 - Metaphor detection [C10]
- **Machine Learning:**
 - Knowledge tracing [C6]
 - Extreme multi-label classification [C9]

In addition to my academic research, I gained industry experience as a research intern at NAVER, working on large-scale real-world search problems.

Education

- 2020.3 – current  **M.S./Ph.D., Artificial Intelligence**, Sungkyunkwan University
Advisor: Prof. Jongwuk Lee
Thesis: *Improving Evidentiality and Compression for Retrieval-Augmented Generation*
- 2012.3 – 2020.2  **B.S., Architecture**, Sungkyunkwan University
 **B.S., Samsung Convergence Software Course**, Sungkyunkwan University

Experience



- 2025.3 – 2025.4  **Research Intern**, Search & Ranking Modeling, NAVER (Supervisor: Young-In Song)
 - Worked on continual fine-tuning for recency-aware dense retrieval
- 2021.7 – 2021.8  **Research Intern**, Search CIC, NAVER (Supervisor: Young-In Song)
 - Developed a sparse retrieval method for efficient first-stage retrieval

Publications


- [C1] Conflict-Aware Soft Prompting for Retrieval-Augmented Generation *To appear in EMNLP 2025*
Eunseong Choi, June Park, Hyeri Lee, Jongwuk Lee
• Mitigated context–memory conflicts in retrieval-augmented generation using adversarial soft prompting

- [C2] Multi-view-guided Passage Reranking with Large Language Models *To appear in EMNLP 2025*
Jeongwoo Na, Jun Kwon, **Eunseong Choi**, Jongwuk Lee
• Proposed efficient and robust LLM-based passage reranker using multi-view embeddings
- [C3] GRAM: Generative Recommendation via Semantic-aware Multi-granular Late Fusion *ACL 2025*
Sunkyung Lee, Minjin Choi, **Eunseong Choi**, Hye-young Kim, Jongwuk Lee
• Efficiently leveraging multi-granular semantic information for sequential recommendation
- [C4] From Reading to Compressing: Exploring the Multi-document Reader *EMNLP 2024 Findings*
for Prompt Compression
Eunseong Choi, Sunkyung Lee, Minjin Choi, June Park, Jongwuk Lee
• Prompt compression using cross-attention, reducing prompt length by 80% while preserving global context
- [C5] Multi-granularity Guided Fusion-in-Decoder *NAACL 2024 Findings*
Eunseong Choi, Hyeri Lee, Jongwuk Lee
• Improved open-domain QA by leveraging evidence at multiple levels of granularity
- [C6] Forgetting-aware Linear Bias for Attentive Knowledge Tracing *CIKM 2023 (short paper)*
Yoonjin Im*, **Eunseong Choi***, Heejin Kook, Jongwuk Lee
• Modeled forgetting behavior with a linear bias in attention-based models
- [C7] ConQueR: Contextualized Query Reduction using Search Logs *SIGIR 2023 (short paper)*
Hye-young Kim*, Minjin Choi*, Sunkyung Lee, **Eunseong Choi**, Young-In Song, Jongwuk Lee
• Query reduction by combining core term extraction and sub-query selection from real-world search logs
- [C8] SpaDE: Improving Sparse Representations using a Dual Document Encoder for *CIKM 2022*
First-stage Retrieval
Eunseong Choi*, Sunkyung Lee*, Minjin Choi, Hyeseon Ko, Young-In Song, Jongwuk Lee
• Improved sparse retrieval by jointly learning term weighting and semantic expansion with a dual encoder
- [C9] Long-tail Mixup for Extreme Multi-label Classification *CIKM 2022 (short paper)*
Sangwoo Han, **Eunseong Choi**, Chan Lim, Hyunjung Shim, Jongwuk Lee
• Addressed label sparsity in extreme classification with mixup-based augmentation
- [C10] MelBERT: Metaphor Detection via Contextualized Late Interaction using *NAACL 2021*
Metaphorical Identification Theories
Minjin Choi, Sunkyung Lee, **Eunseong Choi**, Heesoo Park, Junhyuk Lee, Dongwon Lee, Jongwuk Lee
• Metaphor detection using contextualized word representations and linguistic theories

Academic Service

- Reviewer  ARR 2025 May (EMNLP 2025)
- External Reviewer  EMNLP 2022; ACL 2023; SIGIR 2023–2024; KDD 2022, 2026; WSDM 2022; ARR 2025 Feb (ACL 2025)

Honors & Awards

- 2024  **1st Prize, Best Graduate Research Paper Award**, Sungkyunkwan University.
Presented research on prompt compression for efficient LLM
- 2023  **2nd Place (Minister's award), AI Grand Challenge for Policy Support AI**, IITP.
Developed a multi-hop retriever and re-ranker for generating policy-supportive documents
- 2022  **1st Place (Minister's award), AI Grand Challenge for Math Word Problem Solving**, IITP.
Developed a framework for math word problem solving using domain-specific operations
- 2021  **2nd Prize, Best Graduate Research Paper Award**, Sungkyunkwan University.
Presented research on efficient sparse retrieval using term expansion and re-weighting

Scholarships

2020 – 2022	Graduate School Scholarship , Department of AI, Sungkyunkwan University
2019	Academic Excellence Scholarship , Sungkyunkwan University
2017 – 2019	National Scholarship for Science and Engineering Students , Korea Student Aid Foundation
2015 – 2016	Academic Excellence Scholarship , Sungkyunkwan University.

Teaching Assistant

Regular Courses

Spring 2023	Introduction to Recommender Systems
Fall 2022	Fundamentals of Machine Learning
Fall 2021	Deep Neural Networks
Spring 2020 – 2022	Introduction to Database

Extracurricular Courses

Machine Learning	LG Electronics Samsung SDS SK Innovation Machine learning basics, including regression and neural networks	May 2020, Oct 2020, May 2021, Oct 2021, Oct 2022, Oct 2024 Jun 2020 Sep 2020
NLP Project	Samsung SDS Covered topic classification and machine reading comprehension	Sep 2022

Industry–Academia Projects

2025.09 – 2026.02	NL2SQL-based Intelligent Question Answering System Development WeZON <i>Project Manager</i> - Developed an NL2SQL system enabling non-experts to query databases in natural language
2021.07 – 2022.06	Document Retrieval via Pre-trained Language Models and Inverted Index NAVER <i>Team Leader</i> - Designed a dual-document encoder for effective sparse representations
2020.05 – 2021.04	Topic-aware Query–Document Matching with Deep Neural Networks NAVER Leveraged VAE-based topic modeling to represent query–document semantics

References

Available upon request