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Research Interests

Computer Vision   Machine Learning   Model Compression   Hyper-scale AI

Tech Stack

Programming Languages

Python | Java | C | R | | C++ | C# | SQL

Frameworks

PyTorch | TensorFlow | Apache | .NET | Android | Flask | Node.js

Education

The Kim Jaechul Graduate School of AI at Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology   *South Korea*

M.S; Major in ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE;   *Jan. 2024 - May. 2025*

• GPA: 3.85/4.0;

University of Wisconsin-Madison   *Madison, WI*

B.S; Major in COMPUTER SCIENCES; Major in DATA SCIENCE;   *Sep. 2020 - Dec. 2022*

• GPA: 3.863/4.0; Dean's List 2020-2022;

University at Albany-SUNY   *Albany, NY*

Attended; Major in COMPUTER SCIENCES;   *Jan. 2017 - Dec. 2017*

• GPA: 3.9/4.0; Dean's List 2017;

Publication

CONFERENCES

C1   S. Lee, *H. Choi*, J Choi, J Lee, S Oh, S Ko, and I Shin. "Explore, Select, Derive, and Recall: Augmenting LLM with Human-like Memory for Mobile Task Automation," The International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications, and Services (**MobiSys**) 2024 Submission.

C2   S. Park, *H. Choi*, and U Kang. 'Accurate Retraining-free Pruning for Pretrained Encoder-based Language Models," The International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR**) 2024 Poster.

Honors and Awards

2022	**Top 10% in Predicting Autonomous Sensor Antenna Performance**, LG Research AI Hackathon	*South Korea*
2022	**Nominated for Developing User-friendly Online History Search Chrome Extension**, Hatathon	*Madison, WI*
2022	**Dean's List for All Semesters Attended in Recognition of Exceptional Academic Excellence**	*Madison, WI*
2017	**Dean's List for All Semesters Attended in Recognition of Exceptional Academic Excellence**	*Albany, NY*

Professional Experience

FLUIZ   *Seoul, South Korea*

AI Intern Researcher, Advisor: Prof. Insik Shin   *Sep. 2023 - Feb. 2024*

▪ Cooperated to develop a research proposal for an Autonomous Agent based on open-source VLM.

▪ Spearheaded the development of an efficient tree-based memory structure for representing complex app architectures using Selenium and

ChatGPT API for Web/Mobile Robotic Process Automation (RPA) technology.

- Led the development of UI Mirroring technology for interacting with data from various web pages within the LS Cable & System enterprise ERP platform, employing image rendering and coordinate calculation methods instead of iframes, and devising optimization techniques for real-time data video rendering.
- Contributed to the MobileGPT research project using ChatGPT API by proposing an efficient memory structure and developing Random Explore technology for automating Android mobile app processes, leading to a published paper.
- Research Assistant in KTP601: AI Convergence Group.
  - Team A: Assisted in the development of a network facilitating the integration of Vector DBMS and LangChain-powered applications, enabling the generation of arXiv paper summaries.
  - Team B: Assisted in building an end-to-end model architecture for effective resizing and positional adjustments of images, leveraging LLMs, a SoTA object detector of Grounding DINO, and Stable Diffusion.

Seoul National University   *Seoul, South Korea*

AI Researcher, Advisor: Prof. U Kang   *Jan. 2023 - July. 2023*

- Specialized in AI model compression, particularly in quantization research; meanwhile, presenting a paper as a poster at ICLR 2024, proposing an offline pruning technique leveraging pre-trained model knowledge to achieve performance comparable to fine-tuning without the need for additional costly training.
- Contributed to a survey paper on lightweight Transformer-based models, focusing on the Quantization domain within model compression techniques, including pruning, KD, etc.
- Completed several graduate-level courses with an A grade or higher:
  - Fundamentals of Mathematics and Statistics for Machine Learning and Data Science.
  - Advanced High-Performance Computing: involved catching on to basics of parallelization like loop-carried dependence and implementing various parallelization algorithms like strip mining using CUDA and OpenMP on a cluster server based on Slurm. The final project was to optimize the GFLOPS of a Transformer-based French-English Translation model.

CAVH Research Group   *Madison, WI*

Undergraduate AI Research Intern, Advisor: Prof. Ran   *Sep. 2022 - Dec. 2022*

- Developed a SoTA object detection architecture with DETR-based models and evaluated their performance within the context of autonomous driving vehicles using a custom CARLA environment.
- Presented a regular meeting on reading papers submitted to 1st-tier conferences such as CVPR related to research topics on Object Detection and Semantic Segmentation.

University of Wisconsin-Madison   *Madison, WI*

Academic Mentor, Employer: Maisee Her   *Sep. 2021 - Dec. 2022*

- Actively engaged in serving the UW community and dedicated to developing intercultural leadership and communication skills.
- Diligently mentored my mentees through academic counseling, resource sharing, and a sincere dedication to their success.
- Enhanced proficiency in crucial AI domains including Linear Algebra, Artificial Intelligence, Human-Computer Interaction, and C Programming.

MAPAL HiTECO   *South Korea*

Production Team Member & Software Development Intern   *Feb. 2018 - Mar. 2020*

- Managed software maintenance for automotive industry client companies, ensuring seamless operations with XPLATFORM.
- Contributed as a front-end developer to AWS website development, optimizing user experience and functionality.
- Spearheaded the development of a smart delivery app as a mobile front-end developer, focusing on intuitive design and user interaction.
- Designed and developed Windows Forms applications in C# to meet specific business needs and streamline processes.

Teaching

RESEARCH ASSISTANT, HYBRID, SEPTEMBER 2023 – DECEMBER 2023

| Fall 2023 | KT-AI Convergence Education Program, Research Assistant |

PRIVATE TUTOR, REMOTE, OCTOBER 2022 – PRESENT

Fall 2023	English Speaking Tutoring, Advanced-level
Fall 2023	Mathematical Statistics with Applications, graduate-level
Fall 2023	Linear Algebra, undergraduate-level
Summer 2023	Mathematical Statistics with Applications, graduate-level

Spring 2023	Mathematical Statistics with Applications, graduate-level
Spring 2023	English Speaking Tutoring, Intermediate-level
Fall 2022	Linear Algebra, undergraduate-level

ACADEMIC MENTOR, UW-MADISON, MADISON, WI, SEPTEMBER 2021 – DECEMBER 2022

Fall 2022	Introduction to Human Computer Interactions (CS570), undergraduate-level
Fall 2022	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (CS540), undergraduate-level
Spring 2022	Elementary Matrix and Linear Algebra (CS340), undergraduate-level
Spring 2022	Introduction to Computer Systems (CS354), undergraduate-level
Spring 2022	Programming III (CS400), undergraduate-level
Fall 2021	Elementary Matrix and Linear Algebra (CS340), undergraduate-level
Fall 2021	Introduction to Computer Engineering (CS252), undergraduate-level

Professional Activities

COMMUNITY SERVICE

English Translation, NAVER Knowledge iN   *Remote*
Online Freelance English Translation Expert   *May. 2022 - Present*

CERTIFICATIONS

NLP Development Program, Seoul ICT Innovation Square   *Remote*
Trainee   *July. 2022 - Sep. 2022*

Machine Learning A-Z: Hands-on Python And R, Udemy   *Remote*
Trainee   *Aug. 2022 - Aug. 2022*

Machine Learning Practical Development: 8 Practical Projects, Udemy   *Remote*
Trainee   *Aug. 2022 - Aug. 2022*

LG Aimers, LG AI Research   *Remote*
Trainee   *July. 2022 - Aug. 2022*

AI Engineering Program, Seongnam Industry   *Remote*
Trainee   *July. 2022 - Aug. 2022*

Intensive English Language Program (IELP), University at Albany-SUNY   *Albany, NY*
Trainee

ORGANIZATIONS

CAVH Graduate Student Research Group, University of Wisconsin-Madison   *Madison, WI*
Member

Computer Science Undergraduate Research Group, University of Wisconsin-Madison   *Madison, WI*
Member

Student Software Development Club, University of Wisconsin-Madison   *Madison, WI*
Member

References

References are provided upon request.