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EDUCATION

Korea University of Technology and Education

Mar 2016 –

CHALLENGES & AWARDS

Kaggle Challenges :: Competition Expert

- top 7% **Shopee – Price Match Guarantee** (166 / 2426), 2021.
- top 2% **Cornell Birdcall Identification** (24 / 1395), 2020.
- top 9% **ALAKSA2 Image Steganalysis** (93 / 1095), 2020.
- top 4% **Tweet Sentiment Extraction** (84 / 2227), 2020.
- top 4% **Flower Classification with TPUs** (27 / 848), 2020.
- top 4% **Bengali.AI Handwritten Grapheme Classification** (67 / 2059), 2020.
- top 3%, **Kannada MNIST Challenge** (28 / 1214), 2019.

Domestic Challenges

- 6th place, **NAVER NLP Challenge**, SRL Task, 2018.
- 4th / 13th place, **NAVER A.I Hackathon**, 2018.
- Final Round (Digital Forensic), **A.I R&D Challenge**, 2018.
- 9th place (3rd price, A book as an award), **TF-KR MNIST Challenge**, 2017.

Capture The Flag (CTF)

- 2nd place (Demon), **Boot2Root CTF**, 2018.
- Staff, Challenge Maker, **HackingCamp 17**, 2018.
- 2nd place (Demon), **WhiteHat League 1**, 2017.
- 3rd place (SeoulWesterns), **Harekaze CTF**, 2017.

Hosts & Staffs

- Staff, **Belluminar CTF** (by POC), 2017.
- Challenge Maker, **KID CTF** (by POC), 2017.
- Challenge Maker, **Power of XX CTF** (by POC), 2017.
- Staff & Challenge Maker, **HackingCamp 16** (by POC), 2017.
- Staff & Challenge Maker, **CodeGate OpenCTF**, 2017.
- Staff & Challenge Maker, **HackingCamp 15** (by POC), 2017.
- Conference Staff, **POC**, 2016.

PUBLICATIONS

[2] Kim et al, [CNN ARCHITECTURE PREDICTING MOVIE RATING FROM AUDIENCE'S REVIEWS WRITTEN IN KOREAN](#). Jan. 2020.

[1] [zer0day](#), Windows Anti-Debugging Techniques (CodeEngn Archive) Sep. 2016.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Watcha, Seoul, South Korea

Jun 2020 – Present

Machine Learning Researcher

- Developed the training recipes to train sequential recommendation architecture robustly. (In service)
 - Build a new module for better understands at the time of inference.
 - Apply augmentations to the various features, leads to performance gain and robustness.
 - In A/B (online) test (statistically significant p-value < 0.05)
 - **Compared to the previous model, there's been no (statistically significant) change.**
 - However, it still seems to be better on the **offline metrics & training stability**. So, we chose to use it.
- Developed the model to predict users' view-time of the contents.
 - Predict how many people going to watch, how much time people going to watch the content before the content is supplied.
 - Find out which features impact users' watch.
- Developed the pipeline to recognize main actors from the poster & still-cut images.
 - Utilize SOTA face detector & recognizer.
 - Optimize pre/post-processing routines for low latency.
- Developed a novel sequential recommendation architecture to recommend what content to watch next. (In service)
 - Achieve SOTA performance compared to previous SOTA architectures (e.g. *BERT4Rec*).
 - In A/B (online) test (statistically significant p-value < 0.05)
 - Paid Conversion:** improved **1.39%p+**
 - Viewing Days:** improved **0.25%p+**
 - Viewing Minutes** (median): improved **4.10%p+**
 - Click Ratio:** improved **4.30%p+**
 - Play Ratio:** improved **2.32%p+**
- Developed Image Super-Resolution model to upscale movie & tv posters, still-cuts.
 - Optimize the codes for fast inference time & memory-efficiency on CPU.

- In internal evaluation (qualitative evaluation by the designers), it catches details better & handles higher resolution & takes a little time.
- Working as a full-time.

Rainist, Seoul, South Korea

Nov 2019 – Jun 2020

Machine Learning Engineer

- Developed the category classification model of card transactions, designed lightweight purpose for low latency. (In service)
 - In A/B (online) test (statistically significant p-value < 0.05)
 - ***Accuracy**: improved about **25 ~ 30%p**
- Developed the RESTful API server to serve machine learning model (utilized k8s and open source project).
 - **zero failure rate** (zero 40x 50x error)
- Developed the classification model, forecasting the possibility of loan overdue.
- Worked as a full-time.

% ***Accuracy**: how many people don't update/change their transactions' category.

VoyagerX, Seoul, South Korea

Jan 2019 – Sep 2019

Machine Learning Engineer

- Developed speaker verification & diarization models to recognize the arbitrary speakers recorded from the noisy environments.
- Developed a semantic image segmentation model to identify a region of hair.
- Developed an image in-paint model to remove hair naturally from the face.
- Worked as an intern.

ELCID, Pangyo, Korea

Jun 2016 - Aug 2016

Penetration Tester

- Penetrated some products related to network firewall and anti-virus.
- Worked as a part-time job.

OUTSOURCING

Korea University Course Information Web Parsing, ITL July 2017 – Mar 2018

AWS CloudTrail logger analyzer / formator, ELCID Sep 2019 – Oct 2019

RESEARCH

Heterogeneous Parallel Computing Lab, Cheonan, Korea Sep 2018 - Dec 2018

EXPERIENCE	Undergraduate Research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wrote a paper about an improved TextCNN architecture to predict movie rate. 	
TALKS	NAVER NLP Workshop 2018 , Pangyo, Korea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRL Task, challenging without any domain knowledge 	Dec 2018
PROJECTS		
Generative	Awesome Generative Adversarial Networks (Stars 615+) <p>Implement lots of Generative Adversarial Networks in TF 1.x. & 2.x. Novelty of this project is implementing lots of GANs in TF 1.x & 2.x based on the papers with some tweaks.</p> gan-metrics (Stars 5) <p>Implement lots of metrics for evaluating GAN in pytorch.</p>	July 2017 – Mar 2020 –
I2I Translation	Improved Content Disentanglement (Stars 3+) <p>Re-implement / tune 'Content Disentanglement' paper in pytorch.</p>	Sep 2019
Image Inpainting	Improved Edge-Connect (Stars 9) <p>Re-implement / tune 'Edge-Connect' paper in pytorch.</p>	Oct 2019
Style Transfer	Neural Image Style Transfer <p>Implement a neural image style transfer.</p>	Mar 2018
Segmentation	Awesome Segmentation (Stars 65+) <p>Implement lots of image semantic segmentation and ordered the papers.</p>	Aug 2018
Optimizer	AdaBound Optimizer (Stars 40+) <p>Implement AdaBound Optimizer (Luo et al. 2019) w/ some tweaks in tensorflow.</p> RAdam Optimizer (Stars 4+) <p>Implement RAdam Optimizer (Liu et al. 2019) w/ some tweaks in tensorflow.</p>	Jan 2019 Sep 2019
Super Resolution	Deep Residual Channel Attention Network (Stars 40+) <p>Implement a RCAN model in tensorflow.</p>	Sep 2018

	Enhanced Super Resolution GAN (Stars 30+)	Jun 2019
	Implement an ESRGAN model in tensorflow.	
	Natural and Realistic SISR w/ Explicit NMD (Stars 5+)	Apr 2020
	Implement a NatSR model in pytorch.	
NLP	Improved TextCNN (Stars 4+)	Dec 2018
	Implement an improved TextCNN model (Kim et al. 2020)	
	Text Tagging	Dec 2018
	Implement a text category classifier in tensorflow.	
R.L	Rosetta Stone (Stars 510+)	Sep 2018-
	Hearthstone simulator using C++ w/ some R.L.	
	I contributed to the project by implementing `feature extractor` and `neural network` in libtorch++.	
Speech Synthesis	Tacotron	Jan 2019
	Implement a google tacotron speech synthesis in tensorflow.	
Open Source Contributions	syzkaller	Apr 2018
	New Generation of Linux Kernel Fuzzer :: Minor contribution #575	
	simpletransformers	Apr 2020
	Transformers made simple with training, evaluating, and prediction possible with one line each :: Minor contribution #290	