

# Seongmin Lee

*CS PhD student at Georgia Tech*

My research bridges machine learning and human-computer interaction, with the pursuit of realizing **Responsible AI** through the development of **visual explanations** that empower people to gain a clear understanding of machine learning and **scalable algorithms** that enable reliable and active use of machine learning.

I have collaborated with researchers and developers at Cisco Systems and AVAST Software.

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## Education

Aug. 2021 — Present

### **Ph.D. in Computational Science & Engineering**

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

Advisor: Duen Horng (Polo) Chau

Mar 2016 — Feb. 2021

### **B.S. in Electrical and Computer Engineering**

Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea

Graduated with Summa Cum Laude, Overall GPA: 3.91/4.00, Major GPA: 3.94/4.00

Mar 2013 — Feb. 2016

### **Math and Science Specialized High School for Gifted**

Korea Science Academy of KAIST, Busan, South Korea

One year early entrance, Graduated with distinction in GPA

## Research Experience

May 2022 — Jul. 2022

### **Cisco Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA (Remote)**

*Ph.D. Intern*

Mentor: Ali Payani

Led model interpretation and visualization development for an open-source project for responsible AI

Aug. 2021 — Present

### **Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA**

*Graduate Research Assistant, School of Computational Science and Engineering*

Advisor: Duen Horng (Polo) Chau

Jan. 2020 — Feb. 2021

### **Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea**

*Undergraduate Research Intern, Data Mining Lab*

Advisor: U Kang

Sep. 2019 — Apr. 2020

### **Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea**

*Undergraduate Research Intern, Communication and Machine Learning Laboratory*

Advisor: Jungwoo Lee

Jul. 2018 — Aug. 2018

### **The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan**

*Undergraduate Research Intern, Biomedical Precision Laboratory*

Advisor: Keiichi Nakagawa, Ayumu Ishijima

Constructed a microscopic motion-picture laser camera with sub-nano spatial/temporal resolution, Investigated interaction between human cells and acoustic waves in collaboration with students majoring in biology and physics

# Honors and Awards

- 2016 - 2019    **The Presidential Science Scholarship**  
Full tuition and stipend of \$5,000 per year. Around 150 students are selected nationally.
- 2018 - 2019    **SNU Engineering Honor Society (STEM)**  
Used to be vice president, currently honorary member of STEM.
- 2017, 2018    **Seoul National University ECE Voluntary Service Award**  
Selected based on the evaluation of the students, staffs, and faculty members of department of ECE.

# Publications

- P12    **Diffusion Explainer: Visual Explanation for Text-to-image Stable Diffusion**  
**Seongmin Lee**, Benjamin Hoover, Hendrik Strobelt, Zijie J. Wang, ShengYun Peng, Austin Wright, Kevin Li, Haekyu Park, Haoyang Yang, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau  
*Poster, IEEE Visualization Conference (VIS). Melbourne, Australia, 2023.*  
*VISxAI Workshop at IEEE Visualization Conference (VISxAI). Remote, 2023.*  
*Demo, Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR). Vancouver, Canada, 2023.*  
[🔗 Project](#) [▶ Demo](#) [📄 PDF](#) [🎥 Recording](#) [📄 Poster](#) [🔗 Code](#) [📄 BibTeX](#)
- C11    **VisGrader: Automatic Grading of D3 Visualizations**  
Matthew Hull, Vivian Pednekar, Hannah Murray, Nimisha Roy, Emmanuel Tung, Susanta Routray, Connor Guerin, Justin Chen, Zijie J. Wang, **Seongmin Lee**, Mahdi Roozbahani, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau  
*IEEE Visualization and Visual Analytics (VIS). Melbourne, Australia, 2023.*  
[🔗 Project](#) [📄 PDF](#)
- C10    **Concept Evolution in Deep Learning Training: A Unified Interpretation Framework and Discoveries**  
Haekyu Park, **Seongmin Lee**, Benjamin Hoover, Austin Wright, Omar Shaikh, Rahul Duggal, Nilaksh Das, Judy Hoffman, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau  
*ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM). Birmingham, United Kingdom, 2023.*  
*Artificial Intelligence & Human-Computer Interaction Workshop at ICML (AI&HCI). Honolulu, HI, USA, 2023.*  
[🔗 Project](#) [📄 PDF](#) [🔗 Code](#) [📄 BibTeX](#) [🔗 DOI](#)
- W9    **Towards Mitigating Spurious Correlations in Image Classifiers with Simple Yes-no Feedback**  
**Seongmin Lee**, Ali Payani, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau  
*Artificial Intelligence & Human-Computer Interaction Workshop at ICML (AI&HCI). Honolulu, HI, USA, 2023.*  
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- P8    **SuperNOVA: Design Strategies and Opportunities for Interactive Visualization in Computational Notebooks**  
Zijie J. Wang, David Munechika, **Seongmin Lee**, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau  
*arXiv:2305.03039 (arXiv). 2023.*  
[🔗 Project](#) [▶ Demo](#) [📄 PDF](#) [🔗 Code](#) [📄 BibTeX](#)
- C7    **Explaining Website Reliability by Visualizing Hyperlink Connectivity**  
**Seongmin Lee**, Sadia Afroz, Haekyu Park, Zijie J. Wang, Omar Shaikh, Vibhor Sehgal, Ankit Peshin, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau  
*IEEE Visualization and Visual Analytics (VIS). Oklahoma City, OK, USA, 2022.*  
[🔗 Project](#) [▶ Demo](#) [📄 PDF](#) [📄 BibTeX](#)
- P6    **NOVA: A Practical Method for Creating Notebook-Ready Visual Analytics**  
Zijie J. Wang, David Munechika, **Seongmin Lee**, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau

Poster, *IEEE Visualization and Visual Analytics (VIS)*. Oklahoma City, OK, USA, 2022.

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D5 **VisCUIT: Visual Auditor for Bias in CNN Image Classifier**

**Seongmin Lee**, Zijie J. Wang, Judy Hoffman, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau

*Demo, Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*. New Orleans, LA, USA, 2022.

[Project](#) [Demo](#) [PDF](#) [Recording](#) [Code](#) [BibTeX](#)

C4 **MisVis: Explaining Web Misinformation Connections via Visual Summary**

**Seongmin Lee**, Sadia Afroz, Haekyu Park, Zijie J. Wang, Omar Shaikh, Vibhor Sehgal, Ankit Peshin, Duen Horng (Polo) Chau

*Extended Abstracts on ACM Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*. New Orleans, LA, USA, 2022.

[Project](#) [Demo](#) [PDF](#) [BibTeX](#) [DOI](#)

J3 **Multi-EPL: Accurate Multi-source Domain Adaptation**

**Seongmin Lee**, Hyunsik Jeon, U Kang

*Public Library of Science (PLOS ONE)*. 2021.

[Project](#) [PDF](#) [Code](#) [BibTeX](#)

J2 **Unsupervised multi-source domain adaptation with no observable source data**

Hyunsik Jeon, **Seongmin Lee**, U Kang

*Public Library of Science (PLOS ONE)*. 2021.

[Project](#) [PDF](#) [Code](#) [BibTeX](#)

J1 **Auber: Automated BERT Regularization**

Hyun Dong Lee\*, **Seongmin Lee\***, U Kang

*Public Library of Science (PLOS ONE)*. 2021.

[Project](#) [PDF](#) [Code](#) [BibTeX](#) \*Authors contributed equally

## Patent

### **Pruning Method for Attention Head in Transformer Neural Networks for Regularization and Apparatus Thereof**

**Seongmin Lee**, Hyun Dong Lee, U Kang

10-2020-0162397, 2020.

## Book

### **I Got to Wish to Go Engineering School**

SNU Engineering Honor Society (STEM)

*Megastudy Books*, 2021.

Wrote Part 3 "Life as a Lab Intern"

## Talks

### **STEM Global Engineer Seminar**

May 2023 Seoul National University, SNU Engineering Honor Society (STEM)

### **MisVis: Explaining Website Reliability by Visualizing Hyperlink Connectivity**

Nov. 2022 Georgia Tech, School of CSE Recruiting Event

Mar. 2022 AVAST Software, Fake News Monthly Sync Up

### **Multi-Source Domain Adaptation with Pseudo-labels**

Jun. 2020 Seoul National University, AIIS Retreat

## STEM Vision Mentoring

Jul. 2019    **Seoul National University, STEM Vision Mentoring**  
Organized and gave lectures on engineering for high school students. More than 700 students attended.

## Teaching

Fall 2022    **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

*Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA*

Data and Visual Analytics (CSE6242), Instructor: Duen Horng (Polo) Chau, Mahdi Roozbahani  
Online course with 1146 graduate students enrolled.

Jan. 2021    **Lab Session Lecturer**

*LG Chem, Seoul, South Korea (Remote)*

Deep Learning Course

Nov. 2020    **Lab Session Lecturer**

*SK Hynix, Seoul, South Korea (Remote)*

Deep Learning Course

Fall 2020, Fall 2019    **Undergraduate Student Tutor**

*Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea*

Introduction to Algorithm

Selected as tutor for two consecutive years based on interviews and academic performance

Spring 2017    **Undergraduate Student Tutor**

*Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea*

Introduction to Physics I

Selected as tutor based on academic performance

## Mentoring

Fall 2021 — Present    **David Munechika**

*B.S. in Computer Science, Georgia Institute of Technology*

Fall 2021 — Spr. 2023    **Kevin Li**

*B.S. in Computer Science and Biomedical Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology*

Now: ML Ph.D at Carnegie Mellon University

Fall 2021 — Spr. 2023    **Alex Yang**

*M.S. in Computer Science, Georgia Institute of Technology*

Now: Software Engineer at Goldman Sachs

Fall 2021 — Spr. 2022    **Omar Shaikh**

*B.S. in Computer Science, Georgia Institute of Technology*

🏆 Sigma Xi Best Undergraduate Research Award, Georgia Institute of Technology

Now: CS Ph.D at Stanford University

## Grants and Funding

2023    **Scaling Up Educators' Capacities: Automating Visualization Assessment via Generative AI**

Google Award for Inclusion Research

Co-PIs: Duen Horng (Polo) Chau

Co-authored a proposal resulting in \$60k research funding from Google.

2022    **Cisco Research Funding**

Co-PIs: Duen Horng (Polo) Chau

Co-authored a proposal resulting in \$200k research funding on responsible AI from Cisco.

## Service

### Reviewer

ACM Conference On Computer-Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (**CSCW**), 2023

### Institutional

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| 2022 – Present | <b>Georgia Tech CSE Website Committee</b><br>Improve external and internal communication in collaboration with a communication officer and faculty members |
| 2021 – Present | <b>Georgia Tech Korean Student Association</b><br>Serve as a treasury and web administrator  |
| 2020           | <b>SNU Buddy</b><br>Selected as the best buddy out of over 60 buddy students based on the votes from international exchange students.                      |
| 2017 – 2018    | <b>Seoul National University ECE Student Vice President</b><br>Elected from student vote.  |
| 2017 – 2021    | <b>Seoul National University ECE Student Reporter</b><br>Published a magazine about research, people, and events of Department of ECE every semester.      |
| 2018, 2019     | <b>Dream Camp Mentoring</b><br>Conducted mentoring program about "how to materialize one's dream" for high school students in countryside                  |
| 2016, 2017     | <b>KOSAF Talent Sharing Volunteer Camp</b><br>Conducted self-planned mentoring for elementary school students in underprivileged areas in Korea            |

### Member

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| 2021 – Present | Association for Computing Machinery ( <b>ACM</b> )                |
| 2021 – Present | Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers ( <b>IEEE</b> ) |
| 2018 – 2019    | SNU Engineering Honor Society ( <b>STEM</b> )                     |

## References

**Dr. Polo Chau**, Associate Professor  
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*Georgia Institute of Technology*  
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