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Research interests include Automata and Formal Language Theory, String Algorithms, Scientific Computing, and Mathematical Software.

Education

2016-2018 MS Computer Science, Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea.

- Advisor: Dr. Yo-Sub Han
- Thesis: Efficient Algorithms for Two Parsing Problems on Probabilistic Finite Automata
- Spring 2016 Non-Degree Seeking Graduate Student, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida.
 - 2011-2015 BS Discrete Mathematics, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA.
 - Advisor: Dr. Anton Leykin
 - Thesis: Straight Line Programs and Automatic Differentiation in Python

Work Experience

08/19-Present **Software Engineer**, *Google*, Mountain View, CA.

- Software engineer on the Google Keyboard (Gboard) team.

02/19-05/19 **Software Engineering Intern**, *Google*, New York City, NY.

- Software engineering intern on the OpenFST team within the Speech and Language Algorithms research group.
- Developed a compression scheme for finite-state transducers used in keyboard language models which led to a first-author publication.

09/16-12/18 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea.

- TA for CSI2103 Data Structures, CSI 3108 Algorithm Analysis, CSI3109 Automata and Formal Languages, and CSI6512 Graduate Analysis of Algorithms.

01/16-05/16 Upper School Computer Science Teacher, Maclay School, Tallahassee, FL.

- Taught Computer Programming I, an introductory Python course.
- Faculty sponsor of the Computer Science Club. Club members learned to make games with Python, built an ALU, and participated in the Florida State University ACM programming competition.

05/15-08/15 Data Science Intern, AirSage Inc., Atlanta, GA.

- Used Python and QGIS to track and display population movement patterns.
- Used Bash and Condor to optimize and automate large data analysis jobs.

05/12-08/12 **Software Development Intern**, AirSage Inc., Atlanta, GA.

- Used Python and Bash to analyze cell phone tower location logs.
- Used Python and psycopg2 to construct and store geometric representations of cell towers' effective areas in a spatial database.

Publications

- 1. Jun-U Park, Sang-Ki Ko, **Marco Cognetta**, Yo-Sub Han. *SoftRegex: Generating Regex from Natural Language Description using Softened Regex Equivalence*. Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP) 2019 (to appear).
- 2. **Marco Cognetta***, Cyril Allauzen, Michael Riley. *On the Compression of Lexicon Transducers*. Finite-State Methods and Natural Language Processing (FSMNLP) 2019 (to appear).
- 3. **Marco Cognetta***, Yo-Sub Han, Soon Chan Kwon. *Online Infix Probability Computation for Probabilistic Finite Automata*. Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL) 2019.
- 4. **Marco Cognetta***, Yo-Sub Han, Soon Chan Kwon. *Incremental Computation of Infix Probabilities for Probabilistic Finite Automata*. Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP) 2018.
- 5. **Marco Cognetta***, Yo-Sub Han. *Online Stochastic Pattern Matching*. International Conference on Implementation and Application of Automata (CIAA) 2018.

Skills

 $\textbf{Programming Languages:} \ \, \mathsf{Python}/\mathsf{Cython}, \, \mathsf{Julia}, \, \mathsf{Java}, \, \mathsf{C}, \, \mathsf{C}{+}{+}$

Tools: SciPy/NumPy, QGIS, OpenFST

Open Source Contributions

JuliaLang, SageMath, NetworkX

Awards/Service

Yonsei University - Outstanding International Student Scholarship
ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest - Question Writer (Korea Regional)