Nahyun Kwon

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Research Interests (Slides)

Human-Computer Interaction, Interactive Systems, Computer Vision, Accessibility

I design and develop AI-powered interactive systems to make technologies that change fast and require time to get knowledge more understandable and easy to explore for novices or inexperienced users. I wish to design interactive systems to make visual information more understandable and accessible for people. I design the DL model architectures to address real-world HCI problems especially on accessibility, difficulties in using technologies, etc.

EDUCATION

Texas A&M University

TX, USA

Ph.D. Student - Computer Science, Advisor: Dr. Jeeeun Kim, Co-advisor: Dr. Shu Kong

Sep 2020 - Present

Ewha Womans University

Seoul, Korea

B.S. - Computer Science, Advisor: Dr. Uran Oh

Mar 2015 - Feb 2020

Publications

- [1] 3DPFIX: Improving Remote Novices' 3D Printing Troubleshooting Experience through Human-AI Collaboration Design. Nahyun Kwon, Tong Sun, Yuyang Gao, Liang Zhao, Xu Wang, Jeeeun Kim, Sungsoo Ray Hong. CSCW'24. To appear. Poster, Paper
- [2] A High-Resolution Dataset for Instance Detection with Multi-View Instance Capture Qianqian Shen, Yunhan Zhao, Nahyun Kwon, Yanan Li, Jeeeun Kim, Shu Kong. NeurIPS'23 datasets and benchmarks track. To appear.
- [3] Weedle: Composable Dashboard for Data-centric NLP in Computational Notebooks. Nahyun Kwon, Hannah Kim, Sajjadur Rahman, Dan Zhang, Estevam Hruschka. WWW'23 demo. Demo paper
- [4] Multi-ttach: Techniques to Enhance Multi-material Attachments in Low-cost FDM 3D Printing. Nahyun Kwon*, Himani Deshpande*, Md Kamrul Hasan, Aryabhat Darnal, Jeeeun Kim. In Proceedings of ACM Symposium on Computational Fabrication (SCF'21) Paper
- [5] Touch Screen Exploration of Visual Artwork for Blind People. Dragan Ahmetovic, Nahyun Kwon, Uran Oh, Cristian Bernareggi, Sergio Mascetti. In Proceedings of the Web Conference 2021 (WWW'21) Paper
- [6] Supporting a Crowd-powered Accessible Online Art Gallery for People with Visual Impairments: A Feasibility Study. Nahyun Kwon, Yunjung Lee, Uran Oh. Universal Access in the Information Society (2021) Paper
- [7] 3D4ALL: Toward an Inclusive Pipeline to Classify 3D Contents. Nahyun Kwon, Chen Liang, Jeeeun Kim. In Proceedings of the TExSS'21, Workshop on IUI'21. Paper
- [8] Supporting Object-level Exploration of Artworks by Touch for People with Visual Impairments. Nahyun Kwon, Youngji Koh, Uran Oh. In Proceedings of ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility (ASSETS'19). Poster Session. Paper

SKILLS

Python (Pandas, PyTorch, Tensorflow, NumPy, Scikit-learn, Transformers, Flask, etc.), C, HTML/CSS/JavaScript, D3.js, Swift, Latex, Markdown, Firebase, Git

EXPERIENCE

Megagon Labs

HCIED (HCI Engineering and Design) Lab, Texas A&M University

College Station, TX, USA

Sep 2020 - Present

Ph.D. Student, Advisor: Dr. Jeeeun Kim

Research Intern, Advisor: Dr. Ray Hong

Mountain View, CA, USA

Research Intern, Mentor: Hannah Kim, Sajjadur Rahman, Dan Zhang, Estevam Hruschka

Summer 2022

• Project Interactive notebook widget for exploratory text analysis for NLP modeling [3]

Alignment Lab, George Mason University

Fairfax, VA, USA (Remote)

Summer 2021

o Project AI-powered interactive 3D printing failure diagnosis & solution suggestion system for remote novice users [1] Human Computer Interaction Lab, Ewha Womans University

Seoul, Korea

Undergrad Research Intern, Advisor: Dr. Uran Oh

Jan 2019 - Aug 2020

• Project Improving 2D artwork accessibility for people with visual impairments [5], [6], [8]

WISHUPON Inc.

Seoul, Korea

Data Engineer Intern

Winter 2018

PROJECTS (*LEAD AUTHOR PROJECT)

• *(WIP) Fine-grained type & inaccessibility detection of everyday objects in indoor scenes

- o Creating a refined dataset of indoor scene images to automate inaccessibility detection
- AI-powered mobile interface to support users to detect inaccessibility from indoor surroundings & suggest 3D assistive designs to improve their environments

• Novel multi-view dataset for object instance detection [2]

- Experimenting with existing one-stage detectors (FCOS, CenterNet, YOLO, RetinaNet) for synthetic object detection dataset
- o Modifying the head of FCOS detector to adapt novel structure

• *Human-augmented AI to facilitate intelligent & interactive 3D printing troubleshooting [1]

- o Trained binary classification model for each 3D printing failure type. Tech: Pytorch
- o Human-subject study: Designed online survey questionnaires, controlled lab study, and semi-structured interview. Qualitative & quantitative analysis, Kruskal-Wallis/Chi-square test, Power analysis
- Impact: Our system significantly improved remote novices' troubleshooting experience to their best practice

• Dialog summarization for customer service via chat Manuscript Repo

- o Led NLP class project, fine-tuning Bart dialog summarization model for Twitter customer service dialog dataset
- Achieved 20% increase of Rouge score compared to pre-trained model
- o Tech: transformers, pandas

• *Interactive notebook widget for exploratory text analysis for NLP modeling [3]

- Defining design requirements and features for an interactive system. Implementing Python packages for text data analysis in an NLP domain
- Tech: ipywidget, Python NLP techniques (e.g., topic modeling, bag of words, sentiment analysis, etc)

• *Creating interlocking geometry in multi material 3D FDM printing for stronger adhesion

- Developing algorithm to create various interlocking structures using coordinates trajectory info in G-code with Python
- o Creating web-based end-user interface for user input 3D model. Tech: Flask

• *Improving 2D artwork accessibility for people with visual impairments [5], [6], [8]

• Collected crowdsourced artwork annotation and implemented VoiceOver-compatible web interface for spacial exploration of 2D artwork. Designed controlled lab study, and semi-structured interview. Tech: mTurk, D3.js

• *Mobile gesture recognition for people with visual impairments Repo

• Mobile gesture recognition for people with visual impairments: Implemented custom gestures for various functional zooming of screen on iOS for effective & rigorous exploration of image. Tech: Swift

Teaching & Mentoring

- Teaching Assistant, Human-Computer Interaction CSCE 436 (Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023) @ TAMU
- Research Mentoring, Emory Lu (CS PhD, 2023), Joanne Liu (CS Undergrad, 2023), Muhammad Hasham Qazi (CS Undergrad, 2022), Harsha Siripurapu (CS Undergrad, 2021)

• Guest Lecture, CSCE 436 HCI @ TAMU

- Data Analysis & Data at Scale (Fall 2023)
- CV applications on Human-Computer Interaction: Image Processing & Camera Input (Spring 2023)
- Image Annotation & Crowdsourcing (Spring 2022)

Coursework

Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Natural Language Processing, Data Visualization, Digital Fabrication

Honors and Awards

- ACM CRA-W Grad Cohort, 2022
- TAMU CSE Travel Grant, 2021, 2022, 2023
- Ewha Future Capability Scholarship, Ewha Womans University, 2019
- Dean's List, Hanium ICT Mentoring Competition Award, Ewha Womans University, 2018

Volunteer Experience

- Student Volunteer. IUI'21, CHI'22 Organized the paper sessions and resolved technical issues in virtual & in-person conference
- Workshop Coordinator. TxHCI Seminar Series Coordinated an interdisciplinary seminar across Texas institutions to foster an HCI community (Spring 2021)

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