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EDUCATION Johns Hopkins University

2016-current

Ph.D., Cognitive Science

Advisors: Paul Smolensky and Kyle Rawlins

University of Oxford

2014-2015 Distinction

MSt, General Linguistics & Comparative Philology

Concentration & Thesis focus: Computational Linguistics

Seoul National University

2009-2013

Summa Cum Laude

B.A. English Linguistics & Literature

B.A. Linguistics (double major) Minor: Computer Science & Engineering

PUBLICATIONS

Najoung Kim, Kyle Rawlins, Benjamin Van Durme and Paul Smolensky. "Predicting Argumenthood of English Preposition Phrases." (submitted to AAAI 2019)

Najoung Kim, Kyle Rawlins and Paul Smolensky. "Motivating gradient symbolic blends—case of English preposition phrases." (submitted to Society for Computation in Linguistics 2019)

Najoung Kim, Jung-Ho Kim, Maria K. Wolters, Sarah E. MacPherson, and Jong C. Park. "Automatic Scoring of Semantic Fluency." (in preparation)

Maria K. Wolters, Najoung Kim, Jung-Ho Kim, Sarah E. MacPherson, and Jong C. Park. "Prosodic and Linguistic Analysis of Semantic Fluency Data: A Window into Speech Production and Cognition," Interspeech, 2016.

Jung-Ho Kim, Najoung Kim, Hancheol Park. and Jong C. Park. "Enhanced Sign Language Transcription System via Hand Tracking and Pose Estimation,", Journal of Computing Science and Engineering vol 10.3, 2016.

Najoung Kim and Jong C. Park. "A Morphological Approach to the Longitudinal Detection of Dementia," Proceedings of HCI Korea 2016, The HCI Society of Korea, 2016.

/ POSTERS

PRESENTATIONS Najoung Kim, Benjamin Van Durme and Paul Smolensky. "Linguistically informed tasks for evaluating structure encoded by sentence representations," Facebook WeC-NLP Summit, Menlo Park, CA, Sep 2018.

> Najoung Kim, Kyle Rawlins, and Paul Smolensky. "A gradient blend analysis of English PP verbal dependents," Conference on Interdisciplinary Approaches to Linguistic Theory (CiALT) 2, Berlin, Oct 2018.

> Najoung Kim, Kyle Rawlins, and Paul Smolensky. "A gradient blend analysis of English PP verbal dependents," Acceptability judgments in current linguistic theory,

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Oct 2018.

Najoung Kim, Jung-Ho Kim, Maria K. Wolters, Sarah E. MacPherson, and Jong C. Park. "Approximating the Semantic Structures behind Category Fluency Sequences," *MACSIM 6 at CUNY*, New York, Oct 2016.

TALKS / TUTORIALS

Semantic Role Labeling tutorial (with Diego Marcheggiani and Michael Roth) Tutorial at EMNLP 2017, Copenhagen, Sep 2017.

"Detection and Categorisation of Neograms in Korean Text (+a)," Talk, Ertegun House, Oxford, 2015.

"Corpus Tools: Past, Present, and Future,"

Talk & Event Organiser (Guest speaker: Laurence Anthony), Ertegun House, Oxford, 2015.

THESES

"Automatic Detection and Classification of Neograms in Korean Text," MSt thesis, University of Oxford, 2015. (Advisors: Ash Asudeh, Stephen Pulman)

"A Research on Productivity Quantification Through Web-based Corpus Construction and Analysis on Korean Derivational Affixes,"

B.A. dissertation, Department of Linguistics, Seoul National University, 2013.

(Advisor: Jongho Jun; project funded by SNU Undergraduate Research Program)

"Verbal Structures of English Genitive Constructions Containing Deverbal Nouns," B.A. dissertation, Department of English Linguistics & Literature, Seoul National University, 2013. (Advisor: Heok-Seung Kwon)

TEACHING

Spring 2018, TA for Foundations of Cognitive Science (with Paul Smolensky)

- Led class discussion for graduate and undergraduate sections
- Provided feedback on weekly assignments

Fall 2017, TA for Semantics I (with Kyle Rawlins)

• Led weekly review sessions

Spring 2017, TA for Language and Advertising (with Kyle Rawlins)

Winter 2014, Tutor for Samsung Convergence Software Course, SNU

- Led help sessions for CS undergraduates and double-major/minor students
- Guest lecture: 'Introduction to Python'

EXPERIENCES

Graduate student researcher

Jun-Aug 2018

The Fifth Frederick Jelinek Memorial Summer Workshop (JSALT)

- General-purpose Sentence Representation Learning team (PIs: Sam Bowman, Ellie Pavlick)
- Designed linguistically-informed probing tasks for interpretability of sentence representations learned by neural networks

Visiting researcher

2015-2016

NLP*CL Lab, School of Computing, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology

- Computational semantics
- Language modeling to aid early diagnosis of mild cognitive impairment

- Dynamic clustering with fluid category boundaries for improved performance measures in Category Fluency Tasks
- Corpus annotation for gene-depression relations

Intern developer 2013-2014

Knowledge Extraction Team (Former NLP Team), NAVER Corporation

- Developed an article suggestion algorithm for search autocomplete
- Worked on question/keyword detection
- Worked on identifying domained queries and query patterns that require specific answers
- Translated and summarised AI-related papers

Trainee developer 2013

NHN Software Membership

- Received professional education in software development
- Led a group project developing a functioning web-based service
- Awarded for overall performance

2016-2019 **AWARDS** Owen Scholarship

Johns Hopkins University

Mica and Ahmet Ertegun Graduate Scholarship Programme

in the Humanities 2014-2015

Full scholarship for Master's degree (University of Oxford)

Department Assistant 2013-2014

Scholarship position (Department of English Lit. & Ling. at SNU)

SNU Undergraduate Research Program

2013

2013

Grant for selected undergraduate research proposals

- Conducted an independent research project on productivity quantification
- Research grant (\$3000)

Foundation Funds Scholarship SNU Superior Academic Performance Scholarship 2010-2011

Awarded for academic performance

COMPUTER Python, R, Java, HTML (proficient)

C, Scheme, OCaml (basic) **SKILLS**

PyTorch

LANGUAGES Korean (native); English (near-native); Spanish (intermediate, DELE Intermedio);

Japanese (reading knowledge, JLPT N1)

PROFESSIONAL Linguistic Society of America

MEMBERSHIP Association for Computational Linguistics

PROFESSIONAL Reviewer for EMNLP 2018 **SERVICE**

VOLUNTEER WORK	Colloquium student committee Department of Cognitive Science, Johns Hopkins University	2018
	Peer tutor Seoul National University ■ Taught 1st and 2nd year students English	2011
	English tutor Youngnak High School • Taught high school students English grammar	2010