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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, 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.

PRESENTATIONS / POSTERS

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 Jelinik Memorial Summer Workshop (JSALT)

- General-purpose Sentence Representation Learning team
- Designed linguistically-informed probing tasks for interpretability of sentence representations learned by neural networks

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

• Led a group project developing a functioning web-based service • Awarded for overall performance **AWARDS** Owen Scholarship 2016-2019 Johns Hopkins University Mica and Ahmet Ertegun Graduate Scholarship Programme in the Humanities 2014-2015 Full scholarship for Master's degree **Department Assistant** 2013-2014 Scholarship position (Department of English Lit. & Ling.) SNU Undergraduate Research Program 2013 Grant for selected undergraduate research proposals • Conducted an independent research project on productivity quantification • Research grant (\$3000) Foundation Funds Scholarship 2013 SNU Superior Academic Performance Scholarship 2010-2011 Awarded for academic performance **COMPUTER** Python, R, Java, HTML (proficient) **SKILLS** C, Scheme, OCaml (basic) PyTorch **LANGUAGES** Korean (native); English (near-native); Spanish (intermediate, DELE Intermedio); Japanese (reading knowledge, JLPT N1) Linguistic Society of America PROFESSIONAL **MEMBERSHIP** Association for Computational Linguistics PROFESSIONAL Reviewer for EMNLP 2018 **SERVICE VOLUNTEER** Colloquium student committee 2018 **WORK** Department of Cognitive Science, Johns Hopkins University Peer tutor 2011 Seoul National University • Taught 1st and 2nd year students English **English tutor** 2010 Youngnak High School • Taught high school students English grammar

• Received professional education in software development

2013

Trainee developer

NHN Software Membership