Kibum Kim

PH.D STUDENT

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Experience with LLM/Computer Vision/Recsys_

LLM

- In scene understanding (i.e., scene graph generation task) within computer vision, I have experience in leveraging LLMs to jointly address long-tail challenges and improve data scalability. Specifically, I applied LLMs to generate a high-quality dataset, effectively addressing the issue of limited scene graph generation data. [7]
- Recently, I have been working with open-source Large Language Models (e.g., LLaMA-3-8B) to develop a foundational model for personalization, specifically focusing on **Multimodal Large Language Model**-based recommender systems [13].

Computer Vision (Multimodal Learning)

- I have primarily conducted research in scene graph generation task in the computer vision [3][5][7][8][10], which is highly related to multimodal learning. Recently, I expanded my research to the video domain [11], especially on video scene graph generation task.
- Currently, I am exploring ways to improve compositional reasoning in the video domain by integrating video scene graphs with **video-language models**, aiming to enhance the understanding of interactions between humans and objects.

Recsys

• Recommender systems often face long-tailed challenges related to both users and items. Previously, I jointly addressed the long-tailed user and item challenges in sequential recommendation for the first time. [4]

Research Interest___

Machine Learning/Deep Learning

Scene Understanding, Recommendation System, Graph Neural Networks

- With the advancement of machine learning, fundamental challenges continue to arise, compromising the model's generalizability. In this regard, my research aims to address the fundamental challenges to improve the generalization power of the model. The fundamental challenges of interest, but are not limited, are the following:
 - Long-tailedness: [2], [3], [4], [5], [7], [8], [10]
 - Data Scarcity: [7], [11]
 - Adversarial Attacks: [6], [9], [12]
- As fundamental challenges arise across various domains, my research areas are diverse and include the following:
 - Image/Video Scene Understanding
 - Recommender Systems
 - Graph Neural Networks

Education ___

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)

Ph.d in Industrial & Systems Engineering

Daejeon, South Korea Sep 2023 - Present

- · Research Interest: Scene Understanding, Recommender systems, Large Language Model
- Advisor: Prof. Chanyoung Park

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)

M.S IN INDUSTRIAL & SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

- Research Interest: Scene Understanding, Recommender systems, Graph Neural Network
- Advisor: Prof. Chanyoung Park

Daejeon, South Korea Aug 2021 - Jul 2023

Hanyang University

B.S. IN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

Seoul, South Korea Mar 2016 - Jul 2021

- GPA: 4.09/4.5
- · Early Graduation
- The period includes two years of military service, required for all Korean men

Publications _

PREPRINT

- [15] (Under Review at ARR'25) Yeonjun In, Wonjoong Kim, Kanghoon Yoon, Sungchul Kim, Mehrab Tanjim, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Chanyoung Park. Is Safety Standard Same for Everyone? User-Specific Safety Evaluation of Large Language Models [Paper] [Code]
- [14] (Under Review at KDD'25) Sein Kim, HongSeok Kang, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Jiwan Kim, Donghyun Kim, Minchul Yang, Kwangjin Oh, Julian McAuley, Chanyoung Park. Lost in Sequence: Do Large Language Models Understand Sequential Recommendation? [Paper] [Code]
- [13] (Under Review at KDD'25) <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Sein Kim, HongSeok Kang, Jiwan Kim, Heewoong Noh, Yeonjun In, Kanghoon Yoon, Jinoh Oh, Chanyoung Park. Image is All You Need: Towards Efficient and Effective Large Language Model-Based Recommender Systems.
- [12] (Under Review at ICML'25) Yeonjun In, Kanghoon Yoon, Sukwon Yun, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Sungchul Kim, Chanyoung Park. Noise Robust Graph Learning under Feature-Dependent Graph-Noise.

CONFERENCE

- [11] (ICLR 2025) <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Kanghoon Yoon, Yeonjun In, Jaehyeong Jeon, Jinyoung Moon, Donghyun Kim, Chanyoung Park. Weakly supervised Video Scene Graph Generation with Natural Language Supervision. [Paper]
- [10] (AAAI 2025) Kanghoon Yoon, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Jaehyeong Jeon, Yeonjun In, Donghyun Kim, Chanyoung Park. ReTAG: Retrieval-Augmented Scene Graph Generation via Multi-Prototype Learning. The 39th Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence. [Paper] [Code]
- [9] (CIKM 2024) Kanghoon Yoon, Yeonjun In, Namkyeong Lee, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Chanyoung Park. Debiased Graph Poisoning Attack via Contrastive Surrogate Objective. ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management.[Paper] [Code]
- [8] (ECCV 2024) Jaehyeong Jeon, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Kanghoon Yoon, Chanyoung Park. Semantic Diversity-aware Prototye-based Learning for Unbiased Scene Graph Generation. The 18th European Conference on Computer Vision ECCV 2024. [Paper] [Code]
- [7] (CVPR 2024) Kibum Kim, Kanghoon Yoon, Jaehyeong Jeon, Yeonjun In, Jinyoung Moon, Donghyun Kim, Chanyoung Park. LLM4SGG: Large Language Model for Weakly Supervised Scene Graph Generation. [Paper] [Code]
- [6] (WWW 2024 (Oral)) Yeonjun In, Kanghoon Yoon, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Kijung Shin, Chanyoung Park. Self-guided Robust Graph Structure Refinement. The 2024 ACM Web Conference. [Paper] [Code]
- [5] (ICLR 2024) <u>Kibum Kim</u>*, Kanghoon Yoon*, Yeonjun In, Jinyoung Moon, Donghyun Kim, Chanyoung Park. Adaptive Self-training Framework for Fine-grained Scene Graph Generation. The Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations. [Paper] [Code]
- [4] (SIGIR 2023) <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Dongmin Hyun, Sukwon Yun, Chanyoung Park. MELT: Mutual Enhancement of Long-Tailed User and Item for Sequential Recommendation. The 46th International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval. [Paper] [Code]
- [3] (AAAI 2023) Kanghoon Yoon*, <u>Kibum Kim</u>*, Jinyoung Moon, Chanyoung Park. Unbiased Heterogeneous Scene Graph Generation with Relation-aware Message Passing Neural Network. Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence 2023. [Paper] [Code]
- [2] (CIKM 2022) Sukwon Yun, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Kanghoon Yoon, Chanyoung Park. LTE4G: Long-Tail Experts for Graph Neural Networks. Proceedings of the 31st ACM International Conference on Information & Knowledge Management. [Paper] [Code]

Workshop

[1] (WWW'24 (Oral)) Yeonjun In, Kanghoon Yoon, Sukwon Yun, <u>Kibum Kim</u>, Sungchul Kim, Chanyoung Park. Noise Robust Graph Learning under Feature-Dependent Graph-Noise. The Web Conference, Data-Centric Artificial Intelligence (DCAI) Workshop.

Projects -

2024.06-Present NAVER-Intel-KAIST (NIK) AI Collaboration Project for building a new AI ecosystem

Collaboration with NAVER & Intel

2022.06-Present AI Development for reasoning, extraction, understanding of common-sense

Collaboration with Institute for Information & communications Technology Planning & evaluation (IITP)

2021.06-Present Visual Intelligence Technique Development

Collaboration with **E**lectronics and **T**elecommunications **R**esearch **I**nstitute (ETRI)

2020.12-2021.06 Recommending Financial Product based on Graph Embeddings

Collaboration with Hana Bank

Awards & Scholarship _____

2022 Poster Competition Excellence Award

Awarded at Industrial/Social Problem Solving Session held by Department of ISysE, KAIST

2022 Hanyang Academic Achievement Award

Awarded within the top 3% among the College of Engineering, Hanyang Univ.

2020 Hanyang Brain Scholarship

Scholarship for excellent top 5% grade in Industrial Engineering department, Hanyang Univ.

2020 Outstanding Learning Activities Scholarship

Outstanding learning activities in communities held by University Innovation Support

2017 Hanyang Brain Scholarship

Scholarship for excellent top 5% grade in Industrial Engineering department, Hanyang Univ.

Professional Services

Conference Review

- 2025 ICLR Workshop: Towards Robots with Human-Level Abilities (WRL)
- 2025 The International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)
- 2025 AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)
- 2024 AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)
- 2024 Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM)

Journal Review

- 2025 IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS)
- 2024 IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS) X2
- 2024 IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE)
- 2023 IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE)
- 2023 IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS)

Teaching Experience _____

Spring 2022 KSE527: Machine Learning for Knowledge Service

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2022 KSE801: Recommender System and Graph Machine Learning

Teaching Assistant

Talks & Seminars _____

Jun 2023 MELT: Mutual Enhancement of Long-Tailed User and Item for Sequential Recommendation

Top Conference Session of Korea Computer Congress (KCC) 2023

Activities ___

2021.12-2022.02 Research intern in Data Science & Artificial Intelligence Lab (DSAIL)

Implementing key papers on Graph Neural Networks and Recommender Systems (link)

2018.06-2018.07 Short-term Language Study Program in China

Cultural exchange activities at Changchun University

References _____

Prof. Chanyoung Park, Assistant professor, KAIST

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