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RESEARCH INTEREST

- Area of interest: *Natural Language Processing* and *Machine Learning*.
- Question answering, Reasoning, Dialogue, Semantics, tasks, Tasks over knowledge base, Text generation, Interaction with visual data, and Learning algorithms for language.

EDUCATION

Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea Mar 2014 - Aug 2018 (Expected)

B.S. in Computer Science and Engineering

Current GPA : 4.11/4.30(total), 4.18/4.30(major), 4.24/4.30(upper)

University of Washington, Seattle, WA Sep - Dec 2016

Exchange Student

Gyeonggi Science High School, Suwon, Korea Feb 2011 - Feb 2014

Specialized high school for students talented in math and science

PUBLICATION

- [4] **Sewon Min**, Victor Zhong, Caiming Xiong, Richard Socher. "Efficient and Robust Question Answering from Minimal Context over Documents". In: *Proceedings of ACL (long)*. Melbourne, Australia. 2018.
- [3] Minjoon Seo*, **Sewon Min***, Ali Farhadi, Hannaneh Hajishirzi. "Neural Speed Reading via Skim-RNN". In: *Proceedings of ICLR*. Vancouver, Canada. 2018.
- [2] **Sewon Min**, Minjoon Seo, Hannaneh Hajishirzi. "Question Answering through Transfer Learning from Large Fine-grained Supervision Data". In: *Proceedings of ACL (short)*. Vancouver, Canada. 2017.
- [1] Minjoon Seo, **Sewon Min**, Ali Farhadi, Hannaneh Hajishirzi. "Query-Reduction Networks". In: *Proceedings of ICLR*. Toulon, France. 2017.

HONORSHIP

Doctoral Study Abroad Fellowship granted by Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies (KFAS) 2018 - 2023

ICLR Travel Award 2018

Google Travel Grants 2017, 2018

Internship Abroad Support Fund granted by Seoul National Univ. 2017

Samsung Convergence Software Course Mentor Scholarship 2017

Full Scholarship for all semesters attended at Seoul National Univ. (merit-based) 2014 - 2018

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Salesforce Research, Palo Alto, CA Nov 2017 - Feb 2018

Research Intern (Advisers: Caiming Xiong, Richard Socher)

- Worked on question answering with minimal context from given document to achieve efficiency and robustness. [4]

University of Washington, Seattle, WA Oct 2016 - Feb 2017

Research Intern (Advisers: Hannaneh Hajishirzi, Ali Farhadi)

- Worked on Skim-RNN, which skims unimportant tokens and fully reads important tokens when reading text. [3]
- Worked on transfer learning in question answering. Showed benefit of transfer learning from model trained on different large fine-grained dataset by achieving SOTA on WikiQA, SemEval2016-task3 & SICK using pre-trained model on SQuAD. [2]

- Worked on QRN, which effectively handles questions requiring reasoning over multiple facts. Achieved SOTA on bAbI QA, bAbI dialog & DSTC2. [1]
- Developed interactive demonstrations of context-aware & open-domain QA.

Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea

Jul - Aug 2016

Intern at Vision and Learning Lab (Adviser: Gunhee Kim)

- Implemented & develop model for image caption generation using model from “Show, Attend and Tell”.

Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea

Feb - Jun 2016

Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program participant (Adviser: Sang-goo Lee)

- Implemented & developed model for entity linking from SNS (Twitter) to Knowledge Base (Wikipedia).

SKILL

Programming Language - **Python**; Java; C; Javascript

Database Management System - SQL(Mysql, Postgresql)

Machine Learning Framework - **Tensorflow**; **PyTorch**; Theano

Web Framework - Flask; Django

TALK & PRESENTATION

ICLR, *Vancouver, Canada* (Poster)

April 2018 (Expected)

SK AI Symposium, *Seoul, Korea* (Poster)

Sep 2017

Naver corp., *Seongnam, Korea* (Invited talk)

Aug 2017

ACL, *Vancouver, Canada* (Poster)

Aug 2017

RELEVANT COURSES

Online Courses (Unofficial): Machine Learning (Stanford CS229, 2015); Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition (Stanford CS231n, 2016); Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing (Stanford CS224d, 2016)

Courses in Seoul National University (Selected): Intro. to Machine Learning (4190.428, 2015); Intro. to Data Mining (M1522.001400, 2016); Database (4190.301, 2016)

Courses in University of Washington (Selected): Principle of DBMS (CSE544, *Graduate level*, 2016); Natural Language Processing (CSE517, *Graduate level*, 2017, auditing)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Mentor at Samsung Convergence Software Course

Mar - Jun 2017

Help students with courses in computer science and engineering

Personal Tutor

Dec 2013 - Oct 2017

Teach mathematics, physics, programming (Java; Python; Javascript) and computer science (Data Structure; Algorithm)