### Soo Min Kwon

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Research Interests Convex & non-convex optimization, multi-dimensional (tensor) data analysis, differential privacy, distributed learning

EDUCATION

# **Rutgers University**

New Brunswick, NJ

M.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering

Sept. 2020 - May 2022 (Expected)

• Thesis: Optimization Problems with Low-Dimensional Tensor Structure

• Advisor: Prof. Anand D. Sarwate

## Rutgers University

New Brunswick, NJ

B.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering

Sept. 2016 - May 2020

• Thesis: Learning Predictors from Multidimensional Data with Tensor Factorizations

• Advisor: Prof. Anand D. Sarwate

Relevant Coursework

Graduate: Optimization Methods for Machine Learning, Convex Optimization, Detection & Estimation Theory, Stochastic Signals & Systems, Machine Vision, Information Theory

Undergraduate: Linear Algebra, Machine Learning for Engineers, Linear Systems & Signals, Digital Signals Processing, Linear Optimization

Academic EXPERIENCE

### Teaching Assistant

Jan. 2020 - Present

Rutgers University

New Brunswick, NJ

- Currently a Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Computers for Engineers (MATLAB) with approximately 500 students
- Served as a Teaching Assistant for Digital Signal Processing for Prof. Waheed Bajwa with approximately 100 students
- Served as a Teaching Assistant for Linear Systems and Signals with approximately 50 students

### Graduate Research Assistant

May 2020 - Present

Rutgers University

New Brunswick, NJ

- Currently conducting research in exploiting low-dimensional tensor structures on different types of optimization problems
- Previously researched in distributed differential privacy a private framework in which multiple sites can collaborate to learn under sensitive data

Research Intern

May 2019 – Sept. 2019

Wireless Information Network Laboratory

North Brunswick, NJ

- Performed data collection and pre-processed millimeter-wave sensor data for Convolutional Neural Networks to infer the type of activity performed
- Results were presented in the WINLAB Symposium, MIT Undergraduate Research Conference, IEEE DySPAN 2019, and ECE Research Day 2019
- Lead author to publication for demonstration at an IEEE conference

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- \* S. Kwon, X. Yang, A. D. Sarwate. "Low-Rank Phase Retrieval with Structured Tensor Models." Submitted to International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2022.
- \* D. K. Saha, V. D. Calhoun, Y. Du, Z. Fu, R. Panta, **S. Kwon**, A. D. Sarwate, S. M. Plis. "Privacy-preserving quality control of neuroimaging datasets in federated environments". Submitted to Human Brain Mapping, 2021.
- \* S. Kwon, A. D. Sarwate. "Learning Predictors from Multidimensional Data with Tensor Factorizations". In Rutgers University Aresty Undergraduate Research Journal, 2021.
- \* S. Kwon, S. Yang, J. Liu, X. Yang, W. Saleh, S. Patel, C. Mathews, Y. Chen. "Demo: Hands-Free Human Activity Recognition Using Millimeter-Wave Sensors". In IEEE International Symposium on Dynamic Spectrum Access Networks, 2019.

# POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- \* D. K. Saha, V. D. Calhoun, Y. Du, Z. Fu, R. Panta, S. Kwon, A. D. Sarwate, S. M. Plis. "Visualizing Neuroimaging Data Located at Different Sites with Privacy Guarantees". Presented in Organization for Human Brain Mapping, 2021.
- \* S. Kwon, A. D. Sarwate. "Learning Predictors from Multidimensional Data with Tensor Factorizations". Presented in J.J. Slade Honors Research Presentation, 2020.
- \* S. Kwon, A. D. Sarwate. "Tensor Regression with Applications in Neuroimaging Data Analysis". Presented in ECE Research Day, 2019.
- \* S. Kwon, S. Yang, X.Yang. "Hands-Free Human Activity Recognition Using Millimeter-Wave Sensors". Presented in MIT Undergraduate Research Technology Conference, 2019.
- \* S. Kwon, S. Yang, J. Liu, X. Yang, W. Saleh, S. Patel, C. Mathews, Y. Chen. "mmWave-based Human Activity Recognition". Presented in IEEE International Symposium on Dynamic Spectrum Access Networks, 2019.

# Work Experience

# Data Science Intern

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

WellCare Health Plans

Remote

- Automated the process of detecting expedition phrases in healthcare forms using Restricted Boltzmann Machines in Tensorflow
- Designed and optimized several machine learning algorithms (Support Vector Machines, Logistic Regression, XGBoost) for statistical inference on diseases given pharmacy data

### AWARDS

\* Rutgers ECE Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

2021

2020

\* Rutgers ECE Departmental Leadership & Service Award

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\* Rutgers WINLAB GA/TA Grant

2020 - 2020

\* James J. Slade Honors Scholar

2019 - 2020

\* Rutgers University Dean's List

2018 - 2020

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- \* Programming Languages: Python, MATLAB, SQL, C++
- \* Libraries: Tensorflow, Scikit-learn, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, Matplotlib
- \* Software: Git, Visual Studio, Tableau, Jupyter Notebook, Microsoft Office, LATEX

### CERTIFICATES

Neural Networks and Deep Learning (License #M6TYH2SFB6QV, by Andrew Ng, Coursera)