## **TAEWOON KIM**

Al Researcher & Engineer



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#### **SUMMARY**

I love diving into AI stuff! I'm both a researcher and engineer in the AI world. It's like finding the sweet spot between brainstorming new ideas and making them actually work in real life. I believe figuring out and improving artificial general intelligence is super important for all of us. I'm all about open-sourcing projects because it's the best way to make AI better together.

#### SKILLS AND INTERESTS -

**Research:** Artificial General Intelligence

Languages: Python, C++, C, Java, JavaScript, Shell

Script, HTML, CSS

Frameworks Pytorch, TensorFlow, OpenCV, NumPy,

**/Libraries:** SciPy, Flask, Jupyter Notebooks

Platforms: Docker, Linux, GCP, AWS

#### PROJECTS

Al Large Language Models

https://taewoon.kim/projects/llm

I was involved in training some large language models with the Transformers.

Al Computer Vision

https://taewoon.kim/projects/computer-vision

Some projects to allow the machines to see the world with their eyes.

A Machine With Human-Like Memory Systems

eyes.

https://taewoon.kim/projects/human-memory

A machine with a symbolic memory system (knowledge graph) trained with reinforcement learning.

Software development

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Tracking Glass Bottles With Letter in the Sea

https://taewoon.kim/projects/glass-track

QR-code based tracking. Anyone can participate in this project!

#### **EDUCATION**

# Sep/2020

- Dec/2024

## PhD. Artificial Intelligence, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Netherlands

- Titled "A Machine With Human-Like Memory Systems". This machine is equipped with an external memory system, modeled with a knowledge graph, and uses reinforcement learning to learn essential human skills, such as managing memory, reasoning, exploring, etc.
- · Supervised by Michael Cochez, Vincent François-Lavet, and Frank van Harmelen
- Funded by the Hybrid Intelligence Center.

Oct/2015

- Sep/2018

### M.Sc. Computer Science, Hamburg University of Technology, Germany

- Focused on deep learning and computer vision.
- Wrote M.Sc. thesis "One Shot Learning for Object Recognition in Pick and Insert Applications" in collaboration with ABB and supervised by Alexander Schlaefer

Mar/2008

#### B.Sc. Electrical Engineering, Yonsei University, South Korea

- Aug/2015
- · Focused on digital signal processing and computer vision.
- · Wrote B.Sc. thesis "Obstacle detection for the blind in C++ with OpenCV", supervised by Kwanghoon Sohn
- The lengthened period of study includes 2 years of mandatory social service.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Sep/2020 - Dec/2024

### Scientific Researcher, Learning and Reasoning Group, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Netherlands

- · Part of the PhD program.
- Carried out research in AI encompassing NLP, Computer Vision, Reinforcement Learning, Knowledge Graphs, etc., most of which can be found on my GitHub and Google Scholar.
- Taught computer programming courses, e.g., Python, and AI courses, e.g., board games with search algorithms and machine learning.
- Supervised B.Sc. and M.Sc. theses.

Jan/2023 - Dec/2023

#### Visiting Researcher, Interactive Intelligence Group, Technische Universiteit Delft, Netherlands

- Carried out research in AI, especially co-learning, where machines and humans learn to collaborate with each other.
- · Supervised by Mark Neerincx.

#### Nov/2018

- Sep/2020

### **Computer Vision Engineer, Nect, Germany**

- Worked with machine learning (mostly deep learning) to improve ID card and self verification processes.
- · Mostly dealt with speech, image, and video data.
- Working at a start-up has enabled me to work closely with DevOps and Front-end developers and to better understand the big picture of AI companies.

#### Jan/2018 - Sep/2018

### Intern and M.Sc. Thesis Student, ABB, Germany

- · Applied robot vision with a RGBD camera.
- Trained computer vision deep learning models, e.g., ResNet, to extract features relevant for robotic pick and place skills.
- Used both RobotStudio and Robot Web Services based on RESTful APIs to interact with both virtual and real robot controllers.

# Jul/2014

- Sep/2014

### B.Sc. Intern, Brain Signal Processing Lab, Korea University, South Korea

- Learned mathematical and computer skills to process and visualize brain signals.
- · Supervised by Jong-Hwan Lee