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Education

Soongsil University

BS in Software

GPA: 4.39/4.5, Major: 4.41/4.5, Rank: 2/128

Seoul, Republic of Korea

Mar. 2021. - Present

Research Interests

Efficient ML/DL Systems for AI, Efficient AI model serving, Efficient Vision-Language-Action (VLA) models

Experience

Advanced Intelligent Computing Architecture Lab (AICA)

Undergraduate Research Intern, Advisor: Youngho Gong

Soongsil University

Dec. 2024 - Present

- Participated in a reading group focused on efficient LLM serving and VLA models
- Participated in research on efficient VLA models

TinyML and Efficient Deep Learning Computing (Fall 2024)

MIT Han Lab Online Course

Online

Dec. 2024 - Feb. 2025

- MIT Han Lab online course covering pruning, quantization, knowledge distillation, efficiency of LLMs and vision models, on-device training, distributed training
- Synthesized key concepts from the course into a 100-page document typeset in LaTeX

PyTorch Tutorial Translation Project of Open Source Contribution Academy (OSSCA)

Open Source Contributor

Online

Apr. 2025 - May. 2025

- Translated official PyTorch tutorials from English to Korean and refined existing translations
- Participated in the peer review process
- Collaborated with the community via GitHub workflows

Selected Projects

(In Progress) Secure Shared-RAG VLA Model Serving System

Capstone Project

Soongsil University

Sep. 2025 - Present

- A project developing a secure client-server system for VLA models using shared RAG
- Architected the overall serving system and system workflow to ensure safe storage and sharing of Vector DB
- Leading the implementation of the client-side VLA model serving pipeline, focusing on data privacy in security-sensitive environments.

ToTRM: Tree-of-Thought Tiny Recursive Model

Course Project

Soongsil University

Sep. 2025 - Dec. 2025

- A research project enhancing the Tiny Recursive Model (TRM) architecture by integrating the Tree-of-Thought (ToT) prompting mechanism
- Modified the PyTorch model implementation to incorporate various branching and merging policies
- Achieved a 5% improvement in accuracy on Sudoku Extreme dataset compared to the baseline by conducting various experiments

PixelOn: On-device Pixel Art Generation Service

Course Project

Soongsil University

Sep. 2025 - Dec. 2025

- An on-device AI service project that integrates diffusion model-based pixel art generation into the open-source editor Piskel
- Searched and evaluated various open-source diffusion models and LoRAs to operate efficiently under limited hardware resources
- Successfully implemented the serving pipeline and shared the extended feature with the Piskel open-source community

Awards and Scholarships

Scholarship for Academic Excellence

Awarded to the top students based on the highest GPA in the department

Soongsil University

2021, 2024, 2025 (All Semesters)

Academic Excellence Scholarship for Peer Tutoring

Awarded to outstanding tutees for active participation and high academic achievement

Soongsil University

2024, 2025

TOPCIT Excellence Scholarship	<i>Soongsil University</i>
Awarded for outstanding performance in TOPCIT (Level 4)	2025
Encouragement Award in 2024 ICPC Asia Seoul Preliminary Contest	<i>Soongsil University</i>
Awarded for algorithmic problem-solving skills in the collegiate contest	2024
1st Prize in Creative Engineering Design Exhibition	<i>Soongsil University</i>
Awarded 1st Prize for developing a creative project using Arduino	2021

Skills

Programming Python, C/C++, Java, PyTorch

Language Korean (Native), English (Intermediate)