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Education

Stanford University

Ph.D. Candidate in Electrical Engineering, 4.0/4.0

Co-advisors: Stephen Boyd and Jure Leskovec

- Dissertation: *Topics in Convex Optimization for Machine Learning*

Stanford, CA

In Progress

Stanford University

M.S. in Electrical Engineering

Stanford, CA

Jan. 2016

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology

B.S. in Electrical Engineering, Minor in Mathematics, Summa Cum Laude

Daejeon, South Korea

Jun. 2013

Work Experience

Adobe Research

Data Science Research Intern

San Jose

Jun.–Sept. 2019

- Develop a structured reinforcement learning algorithm in continuous space.
- Apply for an efficient cloud management service, improving $\sim 20 - 40\%$ resource waste and $\sim 70\%$ risk overhead.
- Submit two papers to SoCC (application) and ICML (theory).

Criteo Artificial Intelligence Labs

Research Scientist Intern

Palo Alto

Jun.–Sept. 2018

- Develop an off-policy learning RL algorithm under a function approximation with convergence guarantees.
- Apply the algorithm for the off-line evaluation of new policy without executing it on a bidding system online.

Bosch Center for Artificial Intelligence

Machine Learning Intern

Palo Alto

Jun.–Sept. 2017

- Develop an adaptive rule of spectral stepsize selections for optimization, solving machine learning problems.
- Submit to ICASPP (short version) and PKDD (journal version).

Stanford InfoLab

Research Associate

Stanford

Feb.–Aug. 2016

- Develop a scalable method that infers the sequence of undirected graphical model (DARPA project).
- Use this inference method for event detection with various types of temporal dynamic evolution.

Convex Optimization II

Head Teaching Assistant

Stanford

Mar.–Jun. 2015

Research

H. Maei, **Y. Park**. "Convergent Actor-Critic under Off-policy and Function Approximation". In preparation to submit to *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*.

Y. Park, J. Kim, M. Zitnik, J. Leskovec, S. Boyd. "Structured Neural Network for Learning Undirected Graphical Models". In preparation to submit to *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*.

Y. Park, Z. Wen, R. Rossi, G. Wu, H. Zhao, S. Boyd. "Structured Policy Iteration for Linear Quadratic Regulator". Submitted to *International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*.

Y. Park, S. Dhar, S. Boyd, M. Shah. "Variable Metric Proximal Gradient Method with Diagonal Barzilai-Borwein Stepsize". To appear in *Proceedings of International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, 2020. (*NeurIPS Workshop*, 2017.)

J. Kim, **Y. Park**, J. Fox, S. Boyd, W. Dally. "Optimal Operation of a Plug-in Hybrid Vehicle with Battery Thermal and Degradation Model". To appear in *Proceedings of the American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2020.

Y. Park, E. K. Ryu. "Linear Convergence of Cyclic SAGA". *Optimization Letters*, 2020.

Y. Park, K. Mahadik, R. Rossi, G. Wu, H. Zhao. "Linear Quadratic Regulator for Resource-Efficient Cloud Services". *Proceedings of ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing (SOCC)*, 2019.

Y. Park, D. Hallac, S. Boyd, J. Leskovec. "Learning the Network Structure of Heterogeneous Data via Pairwise Exponential Markov Random Fields". *Proceedings of International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, 2017.

D. Hallac, **Y. Park**, S. Boyd, J. Leskovec. "Inferring Time Varying Networks via Graphical Lasso". *Proceedings of ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD)*, 2017.

Honor & Awards

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| Hyundai Global Forum, 1st-rank Presenter in AI Session (awarded \$ 3,000) | Aug. 2018 |
| Kwanjeong Graduate Fellowship (awarded \$ 110,000 over 2 years) | 2013-2015 |
| Fulbright Graduate Fellowship (Declined) | Mar. 2013 |

Seminars

Hyundai Artificial Intelligence Lab

Time-series Network Inference for Event Detections Jun. 2019

Kakao Brain

Inferring Undirected Graphical Models from Heterogeneous Data Mar. 2017

Relevant Coursework

Machine Learning/Reinforcement Learning: Artificial Intelligent (CS221), Machine Learning (CS229), Statistical Learning Theory (CS229T), Reinforcement Learning (CS234 and MS&E 338)

Optimization/Control: Convex Optimization 1 & 2, Introduction to Optimization Theory, Large-scale Numerical Optimization, Dynamic Programming and Optimal Control

Statistics/Mathematics: Theory of Probability A, Theory of Statistics B, Numerical Linear Algebra, Real Analysis 1&2, Lebesgue Integral, Differential Geometry, etc.

Information Theory: Information Theory, Universal Schemes in Information Theory, Network Information Theory.

Technical Skills

Programming: Python, TensorFlow, PyTorch, C++, Git, \LaTeX