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Research Interests

Data mining on graph, Large-scale machine learning, Social network analysis, Recommender systems

Education

Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea — Sep. 2013 – Aug. 2021
Ph.D. in Computer Sciencezz
Thesis: Effective Approaches to Distributed Deep Learning: Methods, Analyses, and Evaluation
Advisor: Prof. Sang-Wook Kim

Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea — Mar. 2009 – Aug. 2013
B.S. in Computer Science

Experiences

University of Illionois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA — May. 2022 – Present
Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Computer Science
Project: Large-Scale Hypergraph Mining for Real-World Downstream Applications
Advisor: Prof. Hanghang Tong

Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea — Sep. 2021 – April. 2022
Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Computer Science
Project: BK21 FOUR Program for Advanced AI Research and Education
Advisor: Prof. Sang-Wook Kim

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, USA — Oct. 2019 – Feb. 2020
Visiting Researcher, College of Information Sciences and Technology (IST)
Project: Asymmetric Centralized Training for Distributed Deep Learning
Advisor: Prof. Dongwon Lee

Publications (Selected)

Refereed Conference Papers (* indicates equal contributions)

[c.8] **RealGraph^{GPU}: A High-Performance GPU-Based Graph Engine Toward Large-Scale Real-World Network Analysis**
Myung-Hwan Jang, Yunyong Ko, Dongkyu Jeong, Jeong-Min Park, and Sang-Wook Kim
The ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (**CIKM 2022**)
Short Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 28%)

[c.7] **Not All Layers Are Equal: A Layer-Wise Adaptive Approach Toward Large-Scale DNN Training**
Yunyong Ko, Dongwon Lee, and Sang-Wook Kim
The ACM Web Conference (**WWW 2022**)
Full Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 17.7%)

[c.6] **D-FEND: A Diffusion-Based Fake News Detection Framework for News Articles Related to COVID-19**
So-Eun Han, Yunyong Ko, Yusim Kim, Heejin Park, Seongsu Oh, and Sang-Wook Kim
The ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (**ACM SAC 2022**)
Full Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 24%)

[c.5] **MASCOT: A Quantization Framework for Efficient Matrix Factorization in Recommender Systems**
Yunyong Ko*, Jae-Seo Yu*, Hong-Kyun Bae, Yongjun Park, Dongwon Lee, and Sang-Wook Kim
The IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (**IEEE ICDM 2021**)
Full Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 9.9%)
(*Selected as One of the Best-ranked Papers of ICDM 2021 for Fast-track Journal Invitation*)

[c.4] **ALADDIN: Asymmetric Centralized Training for Distributed Deep Learning**
Yunyong Ko, Kibong Choi, Hyunseung Jei, Dongwon Lee, and Sang-Wook Kim
The ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (**CIKM 2021**)
Full Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 21.7%)
(*Selected as One of the Spotlight Presentations of CIKM 2021*)

[c.3] **An In-depth Analysis of Distributed Training of Deep Neural Networks**
Yunyong Ko, Kibong Choi, Jiwon Seo, and Sang-Wook Kim
The IEEE International Parallel & Distributed Processing Symposium (**IEEE IPDPS 2021**)
Full Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 24.5%)

[c.2] **Influence Maximization for Effective Advertisement in Social Networks: Problem, Solution, and Evaluation**
Suk-Jin Hong, Yunyong Ko, Moon-Jeung Joe, and Sang-Wook Kim
The ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (**ACM SAC 2019**)
Full Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 24%)

[c.1] **Accurate Path-Based Influence Maximization in Social Networks**
Yunyong Ko, Dong-Kyu Chae, and Sang-Wook Kim
The ACM Web Conference (**WWW 2016**)
Short Paper (Acceptance Rate ≈ 21%)

Refereed Journal Papers (* indicates equal contributions)

[j.3] **SHAT: A Novel Asynchronous Training Algorithm That Provides Fast Model Convergence in Distributed Deep Learning**
Yunyong Ko, and Sang-Wook Kim
Applied Sciences (SCIE Journal, 2022)

[j.2] **Efficient and Effective Influence Maximization in Social Networks: A Hybrid-Approach**
Yunyong Ko*, Kyung-Jae Cho*, and Sang-Wook Kim
Information Sciences (SCIE Journal, 2018) (Category Top 5%)

[j.1] **Influence Maximization in Social Networks: A Target-Oriented Estimation**
Yunyong Ko, Dong-Kyu Chae, and Sang-Wook Kim
Journal of Information Science (SCIE Journal, 2018)

Awards & Honors

Selected as One of the **Best-Ranked Papers of IEEE ICDM** 2021
IEEE International Conference on Data Mining

Selected as One of the **Spotlight Presentations of ACM CIKM** 2021
ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management

Received the **Outstanding Ph.D. Dissertation Award** 2021
Research Institute of Industrial Science, Hanyang University

Received the **Best Paper Award** 2021
Korea Information Processing Society

Received the **ACM SIGAPP Student Travel Award** 2019
ACM Symposium on Applied Computing

Awarded the **Naver Ph.D. Fellowship** 2017
Naver Corporation

Received the **Best Presentation Award** 2017
Korea Computer Congress

Services

Track Co-Chair
ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (ACM SAC) 2023

Conference Reviewer
IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM) 2022
ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (ACM KDD) 2021, 2022
AAAI International Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) 2021
ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (ACM SAC) 2022, 2023

Patents

A Layer-Wise Adaptive Approach toward Large-Scale DNN Training
(Application number: 10-2022-0075800, Date: June. 2022)

Asymmetric Centralized training for Distributed Deep Learning (PCT application)
(Application number: PCT/KR2021/015014, Date: Oct. 2021)

Multi-State Diffusion Model using Interest, Intimacy, and Share Tendency
(Registration number: 10-2332348, Date: Dec. 2020)

Accurate Ad-Effect Estimation Method based on Relevance between User and Item
(Registration number: 10-2144122, Date: Aug. 2020)

Influence Maximization in Social Networks: A Hybrid Approach to Solving Performance Issues in Micro and Macro Levels
(Registration number: 10-1810864, Date: Dec. 2017)