Junghyun Min

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Summary

Experienced computational linguist with a robust engineering background developed over multiple professional and academic roles in both industry and research. Excelled in designing efficient systems, including a high-throughput chunking mechanism and innovative algorithms for open information extraction. Demonstrated success in leading and mentoring teams while contributing to significant advancements reported in top-tier publications. Passionate about leveraging expertise in computational linguistics to drive innovative solutions and achieve project goals effectively.

Education

Georgetown University

Doctor of Philosophy, Linguistics. Computational linguistics concentration.

Aug 2024 - Present

Johns Hopkins University

Master of Arts, Cognitive Science. Computational approaches to linguistics focus.

Jul 2019 – Oct 2020

Johns Hopkins University

Bachelor of Science, Physics. Second major in Mathematics. Early graduation.

Aug 2014 – Dec 2017

Projects and Publications

- Tech blog: Junghyun Min. 2024. <u>Punctuation restoration improves structure understanding without supervision (Korean)</u>. Architecture and train-test pipeline implementation in PyTorch and Lightning. <u>Abstract</u>.
- ACL 2020 paper: Junghyun Min, R. Thomas McCoy, Dipanjan Das, Emily Pitler, and Tal Linzen. 2020. <u>Syntactic data augmentation increases robustness to inference heuristics.</u>
- BlackboxNLP 2020 paper: R. Thomas McCoy, Junghyun Min, and Tal Linzen. 2020. <u>BERTs of a feather do not generalize together: Large variability in generalization across models with similar test set performance.</u>
- Project with forus.ai: Technical lead at ai.ly, a GPT-2 based AI lyricist whose results reflect the user's personality. Accumulated 50k visits over 3 months of live service. Its first release: a hip-hop.song.

Work Experience

Georgetown University

Washington, DC

Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Linguistics

Aug 2024 - Present

- Expand the <u>Korean SNACS</u> dataset for UD. Granularize tokenization and complement neural analysis with Linguistics for quality assurance, enhancing dataset's utility for multilingual LLM, parallel corpus studies. Python implementation.
- Provide detailed, multi-layer annotations to add to the Georgetown University Multilayer (GUM) corpus, increasing its size and genre diversity for effective linguistic analysis and downstream natural language processing applications.

NCSOFT

Seongnam, Korea

NLP Engineer, NLP Center

Jan 2021 - Apr 2024

- Developed and served fast (10 sentences/ms), light (< 4GB VRAM), and accurate (1p% within SOTA) chunking system by concatenating pre-transformer embeddings. Implemented asynchronously with FastAPI in Python.
- Designed an effective (+10%p) granularity control algorithm in open information extraction with syntax parsing depth.
- Proposed punctuation restoration as unsupervised objective that improves performance across 7 structure-related tasks.
- Led mentorships for the Center's 2022 Language AI Global Summer Internship program with 10+ interns.

Johns Hopkins University

Baltimore, MD

Graduate Research Assistant, Computation and Psycholinguistics Laboratory

Jul 2019 - Oct 2020

- Presented research publications at ACL as first author; BlackboxNLP; and NYAS NLP, Dialog, and Speech.
- Identified unstable vulnerabilities in BERT-based MNLI systems in TF, highlighting areas for improvement in NLU.
- Implemented <u>adversarial data augmentation</u> through simple syntactic manipulation, significantly enhancing robustness to inference heuristics, stability across initializations, and generalized syntactic sensitivity. Experiment run in PyTorch.

Harford Community College

Bel Air, MD

Data Analyst, Analytics & Planning

Apr 2018 - Jul 2019

- Distilled expert insight in student retention, success to explainable ML models with ~80% accuracy in Wolfram.
- Automated edit checks and recurring data reports in SAS & SQL, leading to 20% increase in request processing volume.

Skills

Computer Language: Python (Proficient), Java (Intermediate), C++ (Coursework), R, Unix shell, SAS, SQL, Wolfram.

Natural Language: Korean (Standard, Busan), English, German, Chinese (Mandarin)

Interests: Geography and maps, baseball analytics and sabermetrics, public transport and low-cost travel