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### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Chicago, IL •

Data Mining, Recommender Systems, Large Language Models, Graph Representation Learning

| EDUCATION  |                                 |
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| University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC)  |                                 |
| Ph.D. in Computer Science (Advisor: Prof. Philip S. Yu)                              | Aug 2023 – (May 2027)           |
| University of Texas at Dallas (UTD)  |                                 |
| M.S. in Computer Science (Advisor: Prof. Latifur Khan)                               | Aug 2021 – Aug 2023             |
| - Thesis: Pre-trained Spanish Language Model for Political Conflict and Violence     |                                 |
| Carnegie Mellon University (CMU)   |                                 |
| • Visiting Scholar @ Language Technologies Institute (Director: Prof. Jamie Callan)  | Jan 2020 – Jul 2020             |
| Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU)   |                                 |
| M.S. in Industrial Engineering (Advisor: Prof. Mye Sohn)                             | Mar 2019 – Feb 2021             |
| - Thesis: Source Domain Identification and Cross-domain Knowledge Transfer Method to | Alleviate Data Sparsity Problem |
| in Session-based Recommender Systems   |                                 |
| B.S. in Systems Management Engineering   | Mar 2013 – Feb 2019             |
| PUBLICATIONS   |                                 |

Cluster-aware Item Prompt for Session-based Recommendation | Wooseong Yang, Chen Wang, Zihe Song, Philip S. Yu | WWW 2025 (Under Review)

Subgraph-level Universal Prompt Tuning | Junhyun Lee, Wooseong Yang, Jaewoo Kang | Information Science (Under Review)

**ConfiBERT Spanish: A Pre-trained Language Model for Spanish Politics, Conflict and Violence** | *Wooseong Yang, Sultan Alsarra, Luay Abdeljaber, Niamat Zawad, Zeinab Delaram, Javier Osorio, Latifur Khan, Patrick Brandt, and Vito D'Orazio* |*7th IEEE Congress on Information Science and Technology (CiSt), 2023* 

**ConfiBERT Arabic: A Pre-trained Language Model for Arabic Politics, Conflict and Violence** | *Sultan Alsarra, Luay Abdeljaber, Wooseong Yang, Niamat Zawad, Latifur Khan, Patrick Brandt, Javier Osorio, and Vito D'Orazio* | *Recent Advances in Natural Language Processing, 2023* 

Homogeneous Ensemble Instance Intervals Determination Method of Time Series Data Based on Granular Computing | Jaewoong Kang, Wooseong Yang and Mye Sohn | International Journal of Machine Learning and Computing, 2020

## **ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS**

#### Retrieval-augmented Generation for Conversational Recommendation |

• Conducting research aimed at enhancing large language model-based conversational recommendation using retrievalaugmented generation.

#### Prompt-based Market Adaptation for Sequential Recommendation |

 Conducting research focused on addressing the market adaptation challenge in cross-market sequential recommendations with learnable prompts.

#### ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

| [Reviewer] Data Mining Conferences   |                |
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| <ul> <li>ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD)</li> </ul> | 2024 - present |
| The Web Conference (WWW)   | 2024 - present |
| ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys)   | 2024 - present |
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#### SKILLS