

# JUNIK BAE

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## EDUCATION

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**Bachelor of Computer Science and Engineering**, Seoul National University 2019 - Present

GPA: 4.08 / 4.30

Leave of absence for military service: Feb 2021 - Nov 2022

## EXPERIENCE

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**Research Intern** Jan 2024 - Current

Robot Learning Lab (Advisor: Prof. Youngwoon Lee)

- Working on some projects about Reinforcement Learning.

**Research Intern** July 2023 - Nov 2023

SNU Vision Lab (Advisor: Prof. Gunhee Kim)

- MBC projects [[Gone PD](#)]. Created a demo 3D meshed face animation using face generation models, and developed scene boundary classification and scene summary generation pipeline using visual video scene segmentation model and ChatGPT.
- Ideated and developed a lifelong evaluation pipeline for Retrieval-Augmented Generation models with frequently updating text data stream.

**Research Intern** Jan 2023 - Feb 2023

Naver Cloud (Formerly Naver Clova) Speech Synthesis & Voice Conversion Team

- Presented a 5-week seminar series titled "[Denoising Diffusion Generative Models and its applications to TTS](#)," to the research team members.
- Implemented a [SOTA TTS model](#) and adapted it for use with proprietary Korean speech data.

**Specialty in Software Development** Feb 2021 - Nov 2022

Republic of Korea Air Force

- Focused on developing vision-based detection and segmentation models.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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- **1st Place, [2022 Military AI Competition](#)** Nov 2022 - Dec 2022  
Awarded by Korean Minister of Science and Technology (과기부장관상), 20,000,000₩  
Preliminary Task: Change detection on buildings in aerial image data  
Final Task: Image denoising for all-weather operations
- **2nd Place, [2022 Korean AI Competition](#)** Aug 2022 - Sep 2022  
Awarded by Korean Minsiter of Science and Technology (과기부장관상), 10,000,000₩  
Task: Speech recognition on free, dialect Korean speech datasets
- **2nd Prize, [Product Recognition Challenge on Self-service Stand](#)** Sep 2021 - Oct 2021  
Awarded by Chairman of Electrical and Computer Engineering Department at SNU  
Task: High-precision-and-speed object detection on self-service stand images
- **10th Place, [2020 Seoul National University Programming Contest Div. 2](#)** Sep 2020
- **Samhwa Jibong Scholarship** March 2023 - Current  
Scholarship from Samhwa Jibong Scholarship Foundation
- **Academic Excellence Scholarship** Aug 2019, Feb 2020, Dec 2020  
Scholarship from Seoul National Univ.

- **Jeju Talent Cultivation Scholarship**  
Scholarship from Jeju Institute for Lifelong Education and Scholarship

March 2019 - Feb 2021

## PROJECTS

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**Mitigating Hallucinations in Vision-Language Models via Reinforcement Learning.** Working on fine-grained RLAI for Vision Language Models using PPO aimed at reducing hallucinations. Utilizing SDXL and CLIP for the reward model to apply fine-grained penalties to hallucinating tokens. Employed LAVIS and trlx for base libraries. Collaboratively working with my colleagues at Deep Learning Club, since Sep 2023.

**TTS Model Implementation. (350+ stars)** Implemented Microsoft's [NaturalSpeech: End-to-End Text to Speech Synthesis with Human-Level Quality](#), which is a SOTA model in the LJ Speech Dataset. This is the first and the only public implementation to the best of my knowledge. ([github](#))

**Goal Conditioned Trajectory Generation With Autoregressive Transformer.** Implemented goal conditioned learning to transformer world-model-based agents, and tested with Atari Breakout. Final project for *Data Science and Reinforcement Learning* Course (2023-1). ([github](#))

**Engaging in CS285 course.** Actively participating in [CS285 course](#) at UC Berkeley online, including completion of lectures and homework assignments. Anticipated completion date: December 24, 2023.

**Speech-To-Text Beam Search Implementation and Optimization.** Implemented transformer LM beam search logits decoding on speech-to-text model. Optimized performance using batched beam inference, beam pruning and caching. ([github](#))

Also contributed to [huggingface/transformers](#) by fixing errors in the script that converts pytorch model weights to huggingface-compatible binary files: [PR #19508](#).

**Object Detection Model Implementations.** Personal implementation of vision models from scratch using pytorch.

Currently implemented: YOLO, YOLOv2, YOLOv4, DeiT, Swin Transformer ([github](#))

**AlphaZero Gomoku Implementation.** Implemented AlphaZero model which can teach itself to play Gomoku (5 in a row) from scratch. ([github](#))

## CERTIFICATES AND SKILLS

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<b>Programming Languages</b>	Python, C/C++, Javascript
<b>Deep Learning</b>	Pytorch, Tensorflow
<b>Coursera Courses</b>	Deep Learning: <a href="#">[1]</a> , MLOps: <a href="#">[2]</a> <a href="#">[3]</a> <a href="#">[4]</a>

## EX-CURRICULAR ACITIVITIES

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### Deepest (SNU Deep Learning Research Group)

- Joined as a member of the 13th cohort. (2023-1)
- Hosted a presentation titled '[Understanding RLHF in Detail](#),' providing an in-depth exploration of Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO) with a preferences dataset and Direct Policy Optimization (DPO).
- Hosted a presentation titled '[A Path Towards Autonomous AI](#),' which explains motivations for Joint-Embedding Predictive Architecture proposed by Yann Lecun, and some recent works utilizing this architecture.

### SNUPS (Algorithm and Problem Solving Club)

- Participated in competitive programming techniques intro study by [gratus907](#) and [coffeetea99](#) (2019-1)
- Participated in 2020 ACM-ICPC Seoul Regional Preliminary as 26th place over 334 teams.

### Guardian (Computer Security Research Club)

- In charge of the seminars for Linux OS and computer security techniques to new club members. (2020-1, 2020-2)

## LANGUAGES

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**Korean** (Native), **English** (Fluent)