Ye-eun Cho

Computational linguist

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Education

2022.02 - current Ph.D. candidate in English linguistics

Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, South Korea

• Research interests: Computational linguistics

• Advisor: Hanjung Lee

2019.09 - 2022.02 M.A. in English language translation

Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, South Korea

2009.03 - 2015.02 B.S. in Hotel management

Sejong University, Seoul, South Korea

Professional experience

2022.02 - current Research Assistant

@ SKKU Language and Cognition Lab

Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, South Korea

- Conducting English corpus extraction, classification, annotation, and statistical analysis.
- Exploring and optimizing prompting strategies of generative AI.
- Analyzing and comparing capabilities of LLMs with human language processing mechanisms.
- Investigating human-AI interaction in second language acquisition (SLA)

2023.02 – 2024.12 AI Language Specialist

LKbase, Seoul, South Korea (Collaborating with SK Telecom NLU team)

Project 1. AI chatbot "A-dot"

- Conducting construction, annotation, classification, and refinement of Korean linguistic datasets.
- Engineering persona-driven dialogue prompts to enhance the interaction quality.

Project 2. AI speaker "NUGU"

- Developing and implemented Korean rule-based text generation systems.
- Optimizing and refined existing speech recognition rules for improving system accuracy.
- Contributing to the creation and maintenance of Korean language databases for AI applications.

2019.09 – 2021.12 English Grammar Instructor

Kimyoung - Megastudy, Seoul, South Korea

• Instruction and analysis of English grammar tests for university transfer entrance exams.

2016.10 – 2019.08 English Language Instructor

Megastudy, Gyeonggi, South Korea

• Instruction and analysis of English language tests for middle- and high-school curricula.

Academic activities

Publications

2025 Can Vision-Language Models Infer Speaker's Ignorance? The Role of Visual and Linguistic Cues.

arXiv preprint arXiv:2502.09120 Ye-eun Cho and Yunho Maeng

Prompting strategies of Generative AI for Korean pragmatic inference. To appear in *Korean journal of linguistics*.

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Semantic and contextual constraints on the causative alternation in English: A multifactorial analysis. To appear in Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory.

Jiyoun Kim, Hanjung Lee, and Ye-eun Cho

 $\textbf{2024} \qquad \textbf{Pragmatic inference of scalar implicature by LLMs.} \ \text{In } \textit{Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Association}$

for Computational Linguistics (Vol. 4, pp. 10-20)

Ye-eun Cho and Seong mook Kim

2023 Grammatical illusions in BERT: Attraction effects of subject-verb agreement and reflexive-

antecedent dependencies. Linguistic Research, 40(2), 317-352.

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Presentations

2025 The effects of using ChatGPT on complexity, accuracy, and fluency in second language writing.

AAAL 2025, Denver, Colorado, United States. March 22-25, 2025.

Pragmatic inference of scalar implicature by LLMs. The 2024 Linguistic Society of Korea Winter

Conference, Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, South Korea. November 23, 2024.

Pragmatic inference of scalar implicature by LLMs. ACL 2024, Bangkok, Thailand. August 11-16, 2024.

Prompting strategies of Generative AI for Korean pragmatic inference. *The 2024 Seoul International Conference on Linguistics (SICOL-2024)*, Kyunghee University, Seoul, South Korea. August 8-9, 2024.

Awards & Scholarships

- Research Assistant (RA) stipend, SKKU (2024.01 2025.05)
- SKKU Research Matters Plus 2024 Third place award (2025.02)
- SKKU Simsan scholarship (2023.11)
- The Brain Korea 21 (BK21) research grant (2022.03 2023.01)
- Teaching Assistant (TA) stipend, SKKU (2022.03 2022.12)
- SKKU Graduate Merit scholarship (2020.04)

Skills

Languages

Korean — Native English — Proficient