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Research Interests

My main research interest is to develop novel interface and interaction techniques to enrich the human-computer interaction. I believe the use of rich context information would enable an interface that is richer and more appropriate for people in different situations with different abilities. My projects have investigated how other modalities such as force or hover can change the touch interaction, how we can fully utilize the touch gesture, how we can make force interface more usable using haptic feedback. I am also interested in making the interface more natural through haptic feedback techniques. My other research interests include shape changing interfaces and mobile/wearable interaction.

Education

Feb 2017 Ph.D. in Computer Science

KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea.

Advisor: Geehyuk Lee

Aug 2009 M. S. in Digital Media

KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea.

Advisor: Minsoo Hahn

Feb 2007 B. S. in Electric and Electronic Engineering

Sungkyunkwan University, Suwon, South Korea.

Feb 2007 B. S. in Computer Engineering (Double major)

Sungkyunkwan University, Suwon, South Korea.

Professional Experience

May – University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada

2017 Postdoctoral Research Fellow working with Daniel Wigdor

Jan – Apr Autodesk Research, Toronto, Canada

2016 Research Intern supervised by Tovi Grossman

Developing interaction techniques for wearable devices [C.14]

May - Aug Microsoft Research, Redmond, USA

2015 Research Intern supervised by Ken Hinckley

Developing interaction techniques for mobile devices [C.12]

Jun – Aug Samsung Advanced Institution of Technology (SAIT), Suwon, South Korea

2008 Research Intern at Multi-modal Interaction Lab

Designing multi-modal interaction techniques for consumer electronics

Aug 2005 – AhnLab, Seoul, South Korea

Feb 2006 Software Engineering Intern

Peer-reviewed Papers and Notes

- **C.17 Seongkook Heo**, Christina Chung, Geehyuk Lee, Daniel Wigdor. (2018) Thor's Hammer: An Ungrounded Force Feedback Device Utilizing Propeller-Induced Propulsive Force. *CHI '18*.
- **C.16** Zhicong Lu, Haijun Xia, **Seongkook Heo**, Daniel Wigdor. (2018) You Watch, You Give, and You Engage: A Study of Live Streaming Practices in China. *CHI '18*.
- **C.15** Sunggeun Ahn, **Seongkook Heo**, Geehyuk Lee. (2017) Typing on a Smartwatch for Smart Glasses. *ISS '17*.
- **C.14 Seongkook Heo**, Michelle Annett, Ben Lafreniere, Tovi Grossman, George Fitzmaurice. (2017) No Need to Stop What You're Doing: Exploring No-Handed Smartwatch Interaction. *GI* '17.
- **J.5 Seongkook Heo** and Geehyuk Lee. (2017) Vibrotactile Compliance Feedback for Tangential Force Interaction. *IEEE Transactions on Haptics*, Vol. 10, Issue 3.
- **C.13 Seongkook Heo**, Jingun Jung, and Geehyuk Lee. (2016) MelodicTap: Fingering Hotkey for Touch Tablets. *OZCHI '16*.
- C.12 Ken Hinckley, Seongkook Heo, Christian Holz, Hrvoje Benko, Abigail Sellen, Richard Banks, Kenton O'Hara, Gavin Smyth, and William Buxton. (2016) Pre-Touch Sensing for Mobile Interaction. *CHI '16.*
- J.4 Jonggi Hong, Seongkook Heo, Poika Isokoski, and Geehyuk Lee. (2016) Comparison of Three QWERTY Keyboards for a Smartwatch. *Interacting with Computers*, Vol. 28, Issue 6.
- C.11 Chang-Min Kim, Seongkook Heo, Kyeong Ah Jeong, and Youn-Kyung Lim. (2016) Formula One: Mobile Device Supported Rapid In-the-Wild Design and Evaluation of Interactive Prototypes. HCI Korea '16 (Best paper award).
- **C.10** Jonggi Hong, **Seongkook Heo**, Poika Isokoski, and Geehyuk Lee. (2015) SplitBoard: A Simple Split Soft Keyboard for Wristwatch-sized Touch Screens. *CHI '15*.
- **C.9** Seongkook Heo, Jiseong Gu, and Geehyuk Lee. (2014) Expanding Touch Input Vocabulary by Using Consecutive Distant Taps. *CHI '14*.
- J.3 Jaehyun Han, Seongkook Heo, Hyong-Euk Lee, and Geehyuk Lee. (2014) IrPen: A 6-DOF Pen System to Support Over-the-surface Interactions with Tablet Computers. *IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications*, Vol. 34, Issue 3.
- **C.8** Seongkook Heo, Jaehyun Han, and Geehyuk Lee. (2013) Designing Rich Touch Interaction through Proximity and 2.5D Force Sensing Touchpad, *OZCHI '13.*
- **C.7 Seongkook Heo** and Geehyuk Lee. (2013) Indirect Shear Force Estimation for Multi-Point Shear Force Operations. *CHI '13.*
- C.6 Jiseong Gu, Seongkook Heo, Jaehyun Han, Sunjun Kim, and Geehyuk Lee. (2013) LongPad: A TouchPad Using the Whole Area below the Keyboard on a Laptop. *CHI '13.*
- C.5 Jinhyuk Choi, Seongkook Heo, Jaehyun Han, Geehyuk Lee, and Junehwa Song. (2013)
 Mining Social Relationship Types in an Organization by using Communication Patterns, CSCW '13.
- **J.2** Jaehyun Han, Sangwon Choi, **Seongkook Heo**, and Geehyuk Lee. (2012) Optical touch sensing based on internal scattering in a touch surface. *Electronics Letters*, Vol. 48, Issue 22.

- **C.4** Seongkook Heo and Geehyuk Lee. (2012) ForceDrag: Using Pressure as a Touch Input Modifier, *OZCHI* '12.
- C.3 Seongkook Heo, Jaehyun Han, Sangwon Choi, Seunghwan Lee, Geehyuk Lee, Hyong-Euk Lee, SangHyun Kim, Won-Chul Bang, DoKyoon Kim, and ChangYeong Kim. (2011) IrCube tracker: an optical 6-DOF tracker based on LED directivity. UIST '11.
- **C.2 Seongkook Heo** and Geehyuk Lee. (2011) Force gestures: augmenting touch screen gestures with normal and tangential forces. *UIST '11.*
- **C.1 Seongkook Heo** and Geehyuk Lee. (2011) Forcetap: extending the input vocabulary of mobile touch screens by adding tap gestures. *MobileHCI '11.*
- J.1 Jaehyun Han, Seongkook Heo, G Lee, Won-Chul Bang, DoKyoon Kim, and ChangYeong Kim. (2011) 6-DOF tracker using LED directivity. *Electronics Letters*, Vol. 47, Issue 3.

Book Chapters

B.1 Seongkook Heo, Jaehyun Han, and Geehyuk Lee.

Designing for Hover-and Force-Enriched Touch Interaction. *Computer-Human Interaction. Cognitive Effects of Spatial Interaction, Learning, and Ability*, Springer, 2015. 68-87.

Peer-reviewed Posters and Demonstrations

d.2 Seongkook Heo and Geehyuk Lee.

Creating Haptic Illusion of Compliance for Tangential Force Input using Vibrotactile Actuator. **UIST '17 Demo**.

p.7 Jaehyun Han, Seongkook Heo, and Geehyuk Lee.

Trampoline: A Double-sided Elastic Touch Device for Repousse and Chasing Techniques. *CHI '14 Works-in-progress.*

p.6 Seongkook Heo and Geehyuk Lee.

Ta-tap: Consecutive Distant Tap Operations for One-handed Touch Screen Use. UIST '13 Poster.

- p.5 Seongkook Heo, Yongki-Lee, Jiho Yeom, and Geehyuk Lee.
 - Design of a Shape Dependent Snapping Algorithm. CHI '12 Works-in-progress.
- d.1 Sangwon Choi, Jaehyun Han, Sunjun Kim, Seongkook Heo, and Geehyuk Lee.

ThickPad: A Hover-tracking Touchpad for a Laptop, UIST '11 Demo.

p.4 Seongkook Heo and Geehyuk Lee.

Force gestures: Augmented Touch Screen Gestures using Normal and Tangential Force, *CHI '11 Works-in-progress*.

p.3 Seongkook Heo, Dongwook Lee, and Minsoo Hahn.

FloatingPad: A Touchpad based 3D Input Device, ICAT '08 Poster.

- p.2 Seungwoo Lee, Seongkook Heo, Youmin Kim, Youngjae Kim, Soojin Lee, and Minsoo Hahn. An Interactive Knocking Floor, *UbiComp 2008 Poster*.
- p.1 Seungsoon Park, Seungwoo Lee, Seongkook Heo, Kyoungsin Park, and Minsoo Hahn. Escape!: An Indoor Location-based Horror Game using Indirect Ambient Cues, UCS 2007 Poster.

Patents

- P.23 Pre-touch sensing for mobile interaction, US Patent Pending, Application #US20180004386A1, 6/30/2016
- **P.22** Method and apparatus of playing haptic feedback for shear movement, KR Patent Pending, Application #2014-0026719, 3/6/2014
- **P.21** Touch screen controlling method in mobile device, and mobile device thereof, KR Patent #1496017, 2/16/2015
- **P.20** Method and apparatus for one-handed application of multi-touch gesture using continuous touch, KR Patent Pending, Application #2013-0083986, 7/17/2013
- **P.19** Optical touchpad apparatus with proximity and force sensing capabilities and method of sensing touch in apparatus, KR Patent #1449833, 10/2/2014
- **P.18** User interface method and apparatus using successive touches, US Patent Pending, Application #US20150026619, 1/22/2015
- P.17 Device and method of video playback control using force and contact position information, KR Patent #1393261, 4/30/2014
- P.16 Device and method for identifying multi-touch points using internal scattering, PCT/KR2012/006624, 8/21/2012
- **P.15** Method and system for body tracking for spatial gesture recognition, PCT/KR2012/006372, 8/10/2012
- **P.14** Apparatus and method for multi-touch sensing using total internal reflection, KR Patent #1356835, 1/22/2014
- **P.13** Method and system for body tracking for spatial gesture recognition, KR Patent #1256046, 4/12/2013
- P.12 System and method for estimating position and direction, EU Patent #EP2385390, 21/8/2013, China Patent #CN102279380, 21/10/2015 US Patent Pending, Application #US20110261270, 4/18/2011
- **P.11** Method for controlling touch screen in portable device, and portable device of the same, KR Patent #1177650, 8/21/2012
- **P.10** Apparatus and method for sensing a moving object and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of accurately implementing the center point coordinate about an extracted object, KR Patent #1019801, 2/25/2011
- P.9 Apparatus and method for sensing a moving object and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of obtaining a multiple exposure image about a moving object, KR Patent #1019823, 2/25/2011
- P.8 Apparatus and method for sensing a moving object and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of accurately extracting an image of an object, KR Patent #1019798, 2/25/2011
- P.7 Apparatus and method for sensing a moving object and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of exactly extracting the center point coordinate of a moving object using a low speed camera, KR Patent #1019824, 2/25/2011
- P.6 Apparatus and method for sensing a moving ball and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of obtaining the center point coordinate about an image of a ball, KR Patent #1019829, 2/25/2011

- P.5 Sensing processing device for a moving object and a method thereof, and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of accurately extracting center point coordinate of an overlapped object, KR Patent #1019782, 2/25/2011
- P.4 Apparatus and method for sensing a moving ball and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of obtaining an image of a moving ball, KR Patent #1019847, 2/25/2011
- P.3 Device and method for sensing processing of a moving object, and a virtual golf simulation device using the same capable of achieving accuracy of sensing, KR Patent #1019902, 2/25/2011
- **P.2** Method for controlling touch screen on portable device using built-in accelerometer, and portable device of the same, KR Patent #1173400, 8/6/2011
- P.1 Apparatus for sensing if a driver drives a car safely, KR Patent #1054062, 7/28/2011

Invited Talks

Feb 2018	Let it move—Creating force and movement feedback on the surface and in the air Future Reality Lab, New York University
Dec 2017	Let it move—Creating force and movement feedback on the surface and in the air HCI Group, Saarland University
Nov 2016	As We May Touch—toward richer and more natural touch interaction HCI Group, KAIST
Jan 2016	Enriching Touch – with force, hover, and manual dexterity DGP Lab, University of Toronto
Jan 2016	Enriching Touch – with force, hover, and manual dexterity Autodesk Research
Oct 2014	Enriching Touch HiDeep Co.
Mar 2014	Enriching interaction on and over the surface Korea Electronics Technology Institute
Feb 2014	Completing Touch

Teaching Experience

2018 Winter	Human-Computer Interaction, Guest Lecturer (1 unit) Computer Science, University of Toronto
2010, 2011, 2014	Human-Computer Interaction, Teaching Assistant
Spring	•
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2012 Spring	Compiler Design, Teaching Assistant
	School of Computing, KAIST
	School of Computing, KAIST
2010 Fall	, 3,
2010 Fall	School of Computing, KAIST HCI – Physical Computing, Teaching Assistant School of Computing, KAIST

TEDxKAIST Salon: Beyond Now

Academic Service

Program MobileHCI 2015

Committee

Reviewer CHI, UIST, DIS, TEI, MobileHCI, SIGGRAPH ASIA, ICMI, TechSym, HCI Korea

Student World Haptics Conference '15, UIST '16

Volunteer

Awards and Honors

Naver Co. 2016 Naver Ph.D. Fellowship Award

HCI Korea 2016 Best Paper Award

UIST 2013 Student Innovation Contest, 2nd Place in Most Creative

UIST 2012 Student Innovation Contest, 2nd Place in People's Choice

UIST 2011 Student Innovation Contest, 2nd Place in People's Choice

Media and Press Coverage

Microsoft's hover gestures for Windows phones are magnificent, The Verge, May 2016

- Smartphones next big thing: 'Pre-Touch', SlashGear, May 2016
- Apple should definitely copy Microsoft's incredible finger-sensing smartphone technology, Business Insider, May 2016
- Microsoft Research anticipates the future with pre-sensing touchscreen prototype, gizmag, May 2016
- Microsoft Research's New Touchscreen Can (Almost) Read Your Mind, Co.Design, May 2016
- Infrared laptop trackpad ignores accidental touches, New Scientist, Jan 2013
- Intelligent Keyboard-Wide Touchpad Is Smart Enough to Ignore Your Palms, Gizmodo, Feb 2013