Hoang Trieu Vy LE

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Research engineer working on large-scale computer vision tasks, deep learning, generative AI, and image processing.

EDUCATION

SEPT 2020 Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) AI, Image & Signal Processing — ECOLE NORMALE SUPÉRIEURE DE LYON

DEC 2023 Focus: Lightweight Deep Learning Model | Advisor: Prof. Nelly Pustelnik, Dr. Marion Foare

Thesis: Variations on Mumford-Shah functional for edge detection in degraded images: from proximal algorithms to unrolled architectures [1]

Sept 2015 M.Sc. Engineer in Applied Mathematics — INSA Toulouse

SEPT 2020 Focus: Signal & Image Processing, Optimization, Computer Vision, Machine Learning

WORK EXPERIENCE

FEB 2024 Research Engineer — CEA-LIST—DIGITEO LABS, SACLAY, FRANCE

Present AI research engineer role in an European project on the tomographic inspection of cargo transport

- Perform research on cutting-edges approaches such as Vision Transformer-based model, Generative models including Diffusion Models, multimodals for 2D tomographic reconstruction.
- Develop toolboxs, author research papers, create presentations, and strategize about new research agendas in collaboration with teams of scientists, engineers, and product group leaders

Achievements:

- Developed a powerful lightweight unfolded neural networks to remove streak artifact in tomographic reconstruction.
- Collaborated with Vision Labs at the University of Antwerp to develope and simulate new CT reconstruction datasets to support the training and evaluation of various deep learning methods. [2]

- Developed hands-on courses in Signal & Image processing and Fundamental Machine learning
- AUG 2021 Research Scientist PHYSICS LABS ÉCOLE NORMALE SUPÉRIEURE DE LYON, FRANCE DEC 2023 Worked towards unfolded Neural Networks for: edge detection, segmentation, image restoration Achievements:
 - **BZ-PNN** [3]: Designed high-performance, lightweight models ($\sim 10^4$ fewer parameters compared to SOTA models) focusing edge detection by combining a robust unfolded Neural Network and a simple learnable edge detection layer.
 - Proximal Neural Networks [4]—[5]: Introduced a novel, highly effective and lightweight neural network designed for image restoration, aimed at creating robust, interpretable deep learning denoising models. An open-source library is available for training and testing, requiring only a small dataset [source]
 - **DSH** [6]: Designed a novel Deep Learning architecture to solve large scale texture segmentation playing a critical role in experimental physics for estimating the phases of contact areas, helping at the identification of hydrodynamic regimes

Sept 2020 Visiting Researcher — INMA— UC LOUVAIN, BELGIUM

Aug 2021 Worked in Advanced Mathematical Labs to attack large-scale machine learning & optimization problems

• **P-DMS-AT** [7]: A fast algorithms to solve large scale for joint image restoration and edge detection followed by a new strategies of tunning hyperparameters [source]

Jan 2020 Research Engineer — OGOXE-MÉTEO FRANCE

Aug 2020 Worked on a start-up towards a machine learning solution for river-flow velocity estimation, forest fire prediction

- Developed a Python toolbox and integrated it on edge devices for estimating river-flow velocity using the Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) method
- Researched and integrated advanced machine learning solutions on edge devices for forest fire prediction in the south of France

Jul 2019 Research Engineer — IMFT (Toulouse Fluid Mechanics Institute), France Oct 2019 Focus on High Performance Computing, multi-GPU

- Developed the novel **Bucketing-based algorithm** for particles method to faster solve diffusion equation by parallelizing the mesh-less model using MPI-Fortran, Python [source]
- Simulated experiments and compared with the state-of-the-art method to validate the calculating performance
- Wrote hands-on documentation for the software tools

Core Competencies

Optimization, Proximal algorithms, Unfolded Neural Networks, Machine learning, Image Processing, Computer vision Machine Learning (ML), Artificial Intelligence (AI), Generative AI, Research & Innovation, Lightweight ML Systems, Global Interdisciplinary Collaboration, Talent Development, Mentoring

TECHNICAL

- Programming Languages: Python, MATLAB, Julia, C\C++, Fortran
- Tools: AWS, Google Cloud, Docker, PyTorch, TensorFlow, SciKit, Python, Java, C++, CUDA, LaTeX, OpenCV, Jupyter Notebook, Pandas, Git, Visual Studio, Shell, Linux, Anaconda, OpenCV, ONNX, Pycharm, TMUX
- Concepts: Unfolded Neural Networks, Generative Modeling, Hyperparameter Optimization, Computer Vision (CV), Few-shot Learning, Time-Series Data
- o Languages: French (Fluent), English (Fluent), Vietnamese (Native)

Workshops and Invited Talks

Nov 2023 — "PNN: From proximal algorithms to robust unfolded image denoising networks and Plug-and-Play methods" presented at Workshop DIPOpt

Aug 2022 — "The faster proximal algorithm, the better unfolded deep learning architecture? The study case of image denoising" presented in EUSIPCO, Belgrade, Serbia

Mar 2021 — "Discrete Exterior Calculus framework and proximal alternating minimization for solving discrete Mumford-Shah and Amborsio-Tortorelli models" presented at Conference on Digital Geometry and Discrete Variational Calculus .

Jul 2021 — "Proximal alternating minimization for solving discrete Mumford-Shah and Amborsio-Tortorelli models" presented at workshop on continuous optimization EUROPT

AWARDS

- 2015 Third prize in Vietnam National Physics Olympiad
- 2014 Fourth prize in Vietnam National Physics Olympiad
- 2013 Silver medal, Northern Regional Vietnam Physics Olympiad

Selected Publications

- [1] Hoang Trieu Vy Le, Variations on the Mumford-Shah functional for interface detection in degraded images: from proximal algorithms to unrolled architectures, Ph.D. thesis, Ecole normale supérieure de lyon-ENS LYON, 2023.
- [2] Caroline Bossuyt, Arjan den Dekker, Domenico Iuso, Hoang Trieu Vy LE, Julie Escoda, Marius Costin, Jan Sijbers, and Jozef De Beenhouwer, "Deep image prior for sparse-view reconstruction in static, rectangular multi-source x-ray CT systems for cargo scanning," in *Developments in X-Ray Tomography XV*, Bert Müller and Ge Wang, Eds. International Society for Optics and Photonics, 2024, vol. 13152, p. 131520Y, SPIE.
- [3] Hoang Trieu Vy Le, Marion Foare, Audrey Repetti, and Nelly Pustelnik, "Embedding blake-zisserman regularization in unfolded proximal neural networks for enhanced edge detection," 2024.
- [4] Hoang Trieu Vy Le, Nelly Pustelnik, and Marion Foare, "The faster proximal algorithm, the better unfolded deep learning architecture? the study case of image denoising," in 2022 30th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO), 2022, pp. 947–951.
- [5] Hoang Trieu Vy Le, Audrey Repetti, and Nelly Pustelnik, "Unfolded proximal neural networks for robust image gaussian denoising," *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, vol. 33, pp. 4475–4487, 2024.
- [6] Hoang Trieu Vy Le, Barbara Pascal, Nelly Pustelnik, Marion Foare, and Patrice Abry, "Algorithmes proximaux rapides déroulés pour l'analyse d'images fractales homogènes par morceaux," in *GRETSI*, 2022.
- [7] Hoang Trieu Vy Le, Marion Foare, and Nelly Pustelnik, "Proximal based strategies for solving discrete mumford-shah with ambrosio-tortorelli penalization on edges," *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, vol. 29, pp. 952–956, 2022.

Additional experience

- o Mentored multiple undergraduate students at ENS Lyon
- Served as Reviewer for IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing
- Served as teaching assistant for Machine Learning and Optimization hands-on courses at ENS Lyon.