

# Nguyen Minh Duc

## EDUCATION

### VNUHCM-University of Science

Bachelors of Science – Honor Program in Physics

Ho Chi Minh City, VN

Sep. 2024 – June 2028

## EXPERIENCE

### Outsource Project Team

May. 2025– Present

Machine Vision AI Developer

- Developed lightweight, few-shot AI models for real-time industrial camera inspection.
- Applied OpenCV extensively for image processing and feature engineering in machine vision.
- Collaborated on AI integration for inspection apps; exposure to ONNX/TensorRT.

### Quantum Lab @ VNU-HCM

Dec. 2024– Present

Research Assistant

Advisor: Prof. Lan Nguyen Tran

- Benchmarked the capabilities of the GA algorithm combined with Quantum SVM for solving classification problems.

## PROJECTS

### Vietnamese OCR Project [Github](#)

May 2025

Computer Vision

- Achieved up to 25% training speedup using NVIDIA DALI, optimizing data processing and augmentations.
- Developed and released a PyTorch Lightning OCR model (ResNet+BiLSTM+Attention) trained on diverse English/Vietnamese data for robust multilingual recognition.
- Engineered and open-sourced 11M+ OCR images datasets with character normalization for better learning.

### Wordle Solver Using Reinforcement Learning [Project](#)

Sep 2024

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- Using transfer learning from 10 words and progressively expanded to 100 words and the full 2,315 words.
- Faced long training times as the action space increased, achieving 25% accuracy on 100 words (compared to 6% random guessing).

### Train GPT-2 with TPU [Project](#)

Aug. 2024

Language model

- Reproduced the GPT-2 124M based on GPT-2 and GPT-3 paper on Kaggle.
- Implemented gradient accumulation, distributed data parallel (GPU and TPU), half-precision, and flash attention.
- Sped up training by 33 times compared to GPU T4 x2 using TPU, BF16, and some other TPU optimization.
- Surpassed GPT-2 result with validation loss 3.2754 over 3.2924 and HellaSwag evaluation 0.2962 over 0.294463.

### Confined Quantum Random Walk Project, [Report](#)

July 2024

MaSSP - Math and Science Summer Program

Math, Physics, Python

- Explored quantum random walks (QRWs) using the Creutz ladder model, a quantum lattice structure with localization properties.
- Conducted numerical simulations that confirmed the analytical results, showing zero probability of the particle moving beyond the confined range.

## AWARDS

Top 2% of users on [Kattis Problem Archive](#)

Feb. 2024

- Solved numerous advanced algorithmic challenges across domain including data structures, dynamic programming and graph theory.

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

**Programming:** C, C++, Python

**Libraries:** Pytorch, Numpy, Pandas, Scikit-learn

**Languages:** English, Vietnamese

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