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#### **EDUCATION**

#### **UMASS, AMHERST**

PH.D. COMPUTER SCIENCE

Sep 2016 - present

#### **HCMUT**

MS COMPUTER

SCIENCE

Nov 2014 | HCM, VN Cum. GPA: 3.9

#### **SOCIALS**

github.com/dungtn linkedin.com/in/dung-thai semanticscholar.org/Dung-Thai

#### **COURSES**

Reinforcement Learning by Philip Thomas

Machine Learning by Srihdar Mahadevan

**Deep Learning**by Erik Learned-Miller

#### **SKILLS**

**Programming Languages**Python • Java • C++

Matlab • Julia

Frameworks

Theano • Tensorflow •

Keras

CUDA • NLTK

#### REFERENCES

Prof. Andrew McCallum.

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Prof. Nam Thoai.

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#### **SUMMARY**

I'm June, a PhD student at UMass Amherst, advised by **Professor Andrew McCallum**. I'm interested in various areas of Machine Learning (ML) and Natural Language Processing (NLP). My overarching research focuses on Case-Based Reasoning and its applications in open-domain and knowledge-base question answering.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

# INFORMATION EXTRACTION SYNTHESIS LAB | GRADUATE STUDENT

Sep 2016 - present | UMass Amherst, US

Case-Based Reasoning (CBR) is an experience-based approach to solve new problems by adapting previously known solutions to similar problems. CBR is particularly useful for complex, compositional problems, such as question answering. I'm working on non-parametric, pre-train based CBR QA systems. My research also involves metric learning and learning of dense-retrieval models.

#### **IBM** | RESEARCH INTERN

Question answering over incomplete knowledge bases built

Online a CBR system that utilizes KB Completion and pre-trained text

2021 representation for incomplete-KBQA.

Compositional question answering over knowledge bases built a

Yorktown sketch-generator model jointly with end-to-end entity linking and relation extraction.

#### ADOBE INC. | RESEARCH INTERN

San Jose 2018 Question answering on semi-structured tables built a multi-heads attention model based on the Neural Programmer architecture.

Variational autoencoder for semi-supervised question answering learned an unsupervised question representation to improve the generalization of the supervised question answering model.

## **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

San Jose

2017

Case-based Reasoning for Natural Language Queries over KBs

EMNLP 2021 Rajarshi Das\*, Manzil Zaheer\*, **Dung Thai\***, Ameya Godbole\*, Ethan Perez, Jay-Yoon Lee, Lizhen Tan, Lazaros Polymenakos, Andrew McCallum

NAACL 2021 TABBIE: Pretrained Representations of Tabular Data Hiroshi lida\*, Dung Thai\*, Varun Manjunatha, Mohit lyyer

Simultaneously Self-Attending to Text and Entities for Knowledge-Informed Text Representations

Dung Thai, Raghuveer Thirukovalluru, Trapit Bansal, Andrew McCallum

## Knowledge Informed Semantic Parsing for Conversational QA

REPL4NLP Raghuveer Thirukovalluru, **Dung Thai**, Mukund Sridhar, Shruti Chanu-2021 molu, Sankaranarayanan Ananthakrishnan, Andrew McCallum

# Embedded-State Latent Conditional Random Fields for Sequence Labeling (Oral Presentation)

CoNLL Dung Thai, Sree H. Ramesh, Shikhar Murty, Luke Vilnis, Andrew Mc-2018 Callum in SIGNLL Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning, Belgium

Low-rank hidden state embeddings for Viterbi sequence labeling Dung Thai, Shikhar Murty, Trapit Bansal, Luke Vilnis, David Belanger,

Andrew McCallum in 1st DeepStruct Workshop, in 34<sup>th</sup> International

Conference on Machine Learning, Australia.