# Hieu Vu

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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Passionate about Machine Learning and its application in general, data-efficient and robust machine learning methods in specific. Currently focused on deep generative models (VAEs, GANs) for sequential data integrating physics information from epidemiology problems. Previous experience includes Active Learning techniques, Bayesian Neural Networks, and Distributionally Robust Optimization.

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

# The University of Iowa

Iowa City, USA

Ph.D. in Computer Science - Advised by Dr. Bijaya Adhikari

Aug. 2022 - Present

Expected graduation: May, 2027

## Hanoi University of Science and Technology (HUST)

Hanoi, Vietnam

B.Sc. in Information Systems

Aug. 2014 - Mar. 2019

Excellence degree (5-year program), GPA 3.63/4.0

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages**: Python, Java, JavaScript, and C/C++ **Relevant Frameworks**: Pandas, Scikit-Learn, PyTorch, Matplotlib

Web-based: HTML/CSS/JS, NodeJS, ReactJS Databases: MySQL, MongoDB, Aerospike

## RESEARCH WORKS

#### Implicit Neural Network for Dynamic Graphs

Yongjian Zhong, **Hieu Vu**, Tianbao Yang, Bijaya Adhikari

Ongoing submission, 2023

## Distributionally Robust Fair Principal Components via Geodesic Descents

Hieu Vu, Toan Tran, Man-Chung Yue, Viet Anh Nguyen

ICLR, 2022

#### Bayesian Metric Learning for Robust Training of Deep Models under Noisy Labels

Hieu Vu, Toan Tran, Gustavo Carneiro

preprint, 2020

## MAP Estimation With Bernoulli Randomness,

#### and Its Application to Text Analysis and Recommender Systems

Xuan Bui, **Hieu Vu**, Oanh Nguyen, Khoat Than

IEEE Access, 2020

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

#### VinAI Research

Hanoi, Vietnam

Research Resident - Advised by Dr. Toan Tran and Dr. Viet Anh Nguyen

Nov. 2019 - Jan. 2022

- Main research topics: Bayesian Neural Networks, Active Learning, Distributionally Robust Optimization. Gained background: Linear Algebra, Probability & Statistics, Deep Generative Models, Robust Optimization
- Achievement: be the first author in a publication at ICLR 2022

#### Data Science Lab, HUST

Hanoi, Vietnam

Undergraduate Research Assistant - Advised by Dr. Khoat Than

Jun. 2017 - Jun. 2019

- Main research topics: Topic models, Hierarchical models. Gained backgrounds: Linear Algebra, Probability & Statistics, Topic modeling methods
- Achievement: be the second author in a publication at IEEE Access 2020

#### INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCES

VinAI Research Hanoi, Vietnam

 $AI\ Engineer$ 

Jan. 2022 - June. 2022

- Develop models and apply Active Learning techniques for 2D object detection tasks using YOLOv5
- Finetune a pre-trained model for a LIDAR-based 3D object detection project on internal datasets, which gained 460% improvement
- Do clustering analysis on internal datasets for similarity search and outlier detection using traditional clustering methods such as KMeans, Gaussian mixture, Hierarchical clustering, and DBSCAN

VC Corporation

Hanoi, Vietnam

Software developer

Jun. 2018 – Aug. 2019

- Build a recommendation system for news articles using a Doc2Vec model, text mining techniques
- Build micro-service web server
- Frameworks: Flask, Java-Jersey, Jetty framework, MySQL, Aerospike, Kafka

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

International workshop on Epidemiology meets Data Mining and Knowledge discovery (epiDAMIK Workshop @ KDD 2023)

Program Committee member and reviewer

#### AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

Excellence scholarship for the academic year of 2018 – 2019

Granted for top 1% students with highest CPA of School of Information and Communication Technology, HUST

## REFERENCES

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