# **Huong Ngo**

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#### **Education**

### University of Washington, Seattle

Seattle, WA

Applied Computational Mathematical Sciences: Data Science & Statistics B.Sc. 3.71 GPA

Sep 2020-Dec 2024

#### **Publications**

#### Objaverse-XL: A Universe of 10M+ 3D Objects

NeurIPS Dataset and Benchmarks Track 2023

Matt Deitke, Ruoshi Liu, Matthew Wallingford, Huong Ngo, Oscar Michel, Aditya Kusupati, Alan Fan, Christian Laforte, Vikram Voleti, Samir Yitzhak Gadre, Eli VanderBilt, Aniruddha Kembhavi, Carl Vondrick, Georgia Gkioxari, Kiana Ehsani, Ludwig Schmidt, Ali Farhadi

### **Work Experiences**

Allen Institute for AI Seattle, WA

Research Intern Oct 2023–Dec 2023

- Working in the Perceptual Reasoning and Interaction Research (PRIOR) Team

USAFacts Seattle, WA

Data Engineer Intern

Jun 2023-Sep 2023

- Built batch processing pipeline in Azure Synapse for data ingestion into data warehouse, saving over 10000 dollars
  of cloud storage costs and 150 hours of developer hours of operational costs annually
- Implemented PySpark ETL data pipeline tool in Azure Synapse to automate extraction and transformation 10M data entries from over 10000 Excel tables (unstructured data) leading to a 97% reduction in manual work hours

#### Paul G. Allen Center for Computer Science and Engineering

Seattle, WA

Deep Learning Research Assistant

Mar 2023-ongoing

- Conducting computer vision and multimodal learning research under guidance of Matt Detike
- Applied large-scale data processing pipelines to 120M object images using CLIP to annotate object aesthetic scores and build quality tiers in dataset
- Developing open-source distributed training of OpenAl's Whisper model on 1224 hours of multilingual speech data with PyTorch, PyTorch Lightning, Slurm, Weights and Biases
- Implementing and designing modifications to Whisper model to expand multilingual speech transcription capabilities

# **Teaching Experiences**

#### Paul G. Allen Center for Computer Science and Engineering

Seattle, WA

Machine Learning and Database Teaching Assistant

Sep 2022-June 2023

University of Washington, Department of Statistics

Seattle, WA

Statistics Tutor

Sept 2021-June 2022

# **Relevant Projects**

#### Text2Midi - Generating Symbolic Music Representation From Text

- Architected a novel multimodal generative model that generates symbolic music representation from text descriptions by leveraging language modeling, contrastive language-music learning and pre-trained models
- Developed data processing pipeline to ingest, label and transform dataset of over 22000 songs for training
- Trained model that is a two-tower parallel Transformer-based encoder (text and music) using Music-BERT (RoBERTa)
   and BERT, Transformer-based decoder, and a joint embedding space

#### Gehirn - Automated Generation of Symbolic Music Representation Datasets

- Co-authored a paper that introduces a novel system for generating datasets with transcriptions, audio and text captions for music generation tasks
- Designed system that is a pipeline connecting a Python data mining script, a Transformer-based automatic music transcription model to obtain transcriptions, and GPT-3.5 text completion to produce semantic descriptions

## **Skills**

Languages: Python, SQL, R, Java

Technologies: NumPy, pandas, matplotlib, PyTorch, PyTorch Lightning, Weights and Biases, scikit-learn, PySpark,

SparkSQL, OpenCV, AWS, BeautifulSoup **Developer Tools:** Jupyter, GitHub/Git, Slurm

## **Relevant Coursework**

### University of Washington, Seattle

Seattle, WA

Machine Learning Systems, Machine Learning for Big Data, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Databases, Data Structures & Algorithms, Linear Algebra, Statistics & Probability