

PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

PhD Computer Science

2019 - 2022

Leibniz University Hannover

Research Topic: "Deep learning for precision medicine"

MSc. Computer Science

2011-2013

Washington State University

Thesis: "Natural Language Generation from Graphs"

BSc. in Computer Science, Honor program

2006-2010

VNU University of Engineering and Technology

RESEARCH INTEREST

Current: Bio-informatics, Graph Representation Learning, Feature Selection, Multi-task Learning, Data Integration

Past: Natural language processing, Named Entity recognition, Semantic Analysis, Recommendation systems

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

2019-Present

Leibniz University Hannover, Full-time

- Working on the PRESENt project¹ which aims at integrating clinical, biological, and big data research to advance our understanding of norovirus gastroenteritis.
- Developed state-of-the-art models for various bioinformatic problem which focus on multiple data sources integration, network analysis, multitask learning, graph representation learning, and feature selection.
- Developed a cochlear implant outcome prediction model from real patient data. The work involved heavy data preprocessing tasks, feature extraction, feature selection, and model development.
- Perform some others data retrieval, data pre-processing tasks and specialized analysis on the results retrieved from wet-lab experiments given by our biologist partners.

Research Engineer (Machine Learning)

2014-2019

FPT Technology Research Institute, Full-time

- Being one of the first ML researchers working on Natural Language Understanding module for FPT.AI² one of the first and largest comprehensive AI platforms in Vietnam.
- Worked on (i) Recommendation systems for e-commerce websites and online news, (ii) Sentiment classification for electronic retailer, (iii) User segmentation, and (iv) online-news topic modeling

Software Developer

2013-2014

Citiqo Joint stock Company., Full-time

Work as a full-stack developer on out-sourcing projects for an Australian customers. Responsible for maintaining the existing systems, developing, testing and deploying new functionality on customers' production servers.

Research Assistant

2011-2013

Artificial Intelligence laboratory, WSU

- Develop GNLG a Natural Language Generation (NLG) system for Resource Description Framework (RDF) Graphs.
- Build ontology models for cooking recipes and data from a defense-related project about people in a military- controlled area

Research Assistant

2009-2010

Computer Science Department, VNU University of Engineering and Technology

- Research on POS taggers for Vietnamese using Conditional Random Fields and Hidden Markov Models.
- Develop a Vietnamese collocation extractor using different statistical methods

SKILLS

Languages Vietnamese (mother tongue)

English (fluent)

German (a little bit, enough for my daily life)

Programming languages

Python(since 2018), Java(till 2018), Latex, familiar with some others

PUBLICATIONS

Ngan Dong, Stefanie Mücke, Megha Khosla, "MuCoMiD: A Multitask graph Convolutional Learning Framework for miRNA-Disease Association Prediction", submitted to IEEE/ACM TCBB, 2021.

Ngan Dong, Graham Brogden, Gisa Gerold, Megha Khosla, "A multitask transfer learning framework for the prediction of virus-human protein-protein interactions", BMC Bioinformatics, 2021.

Ngan Dong, Megha Khosla, "A Multitask Convolutional Learning Framework for miRNA-Disease Association Prediction", BIOKDD 2021.

Ngan Dong, Megha Khosla,, "A multitask transfer learning framework for Novel virus-human protein interactions", ICLR Workshop on AI for Public Health, 2021.

Ngan Dong, Megha Khosla, "Towards a consistent evaluation of miRNA-disease association prediction models.", 2020 IEEE International Conference on Bioinformatics and Biomedicine (BIBM). IEEE, 2020.

Ngan Dong, Megha Khosla. "Revisiting Feature Selection with Data Complexity for Biomedicine." 2020 IEEE 20th International Conference on Bioinformatics and Bioengineering (BIBE).

²https://fpt.ai/

Kim Anh Nguyen, **Ngan Dong**, Cam Tu Nguyen "Attentive Neural Network for Named Entity Recognition in Vietnamese", 2019 IEEE-RIVF International Conference on Computing and Communication Technologies (RIVF). IEEE, 2019.

Ngan Dong, Larry Holder, "Natural Language Generation from Graphs", International Journal of Semantic Computing.Vol. 8, No. 3, pp. 335-384, 2014

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Teaching assistant for Machine Learning for Graphs course (2021)

Seminar supervisor for Artificial Intelligence course (2021)

Msc. students supervised/co-supervised

Johanna Schrader - Thesis title: Application of Graph Structure Learning in Biological Data Analysis (2021)

 ${f Luo~Yi}$ - Thesis title: At the Interface between Biomedical Research and Software engineering (2021)

HONOR AND AWARDS

August 2011 - May 2013: Vietnam Education Foundation (VEF) scholarship

July 2010: Scholarship for Digital Signal Processing Academy Summer School

Dec 2009: Outstanding female student in Information Technology

Scholarship from the Ministry of Information and Communication, Vietnam

Oct 2007: VNU University of Engineering and Technology Outstanding student

REFERENCES

Available upon request.