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Location: Vietnam



I'm a researcher with a strong foundation in Natural Language Processing (NLP) and a passion for pushing the boundaries of Artificial Intelligence (AI) through cutting-edge machine learning and deep learning models. My experience lies in conducting research and experiments with state-of-the-art models, particularly focusing on machine reading comprehension, question answering, and information retrieval. Driven by a deep research background in these areas, I'm currently pursuing a PhD scholarship in AI, specifically focusing on the NLP and Large Language Model (LLM) fields.

PUBLICATIONS

I have experience in AI research on natural language processing, especially on the topic of question and answer and information retrieval. I have successfully published **nine papers** on AI at leading conferences around the world such as EACL, NAACL...

VLUE: A New Benchmark and Multi-task Knowledge Transfer Learning for Vietnamese Natural Language Understanding

Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do, Son Quoc Tran, Phu Gia Hoang, Kiet Van Nguyen, Ngan Luu-Thuy Nguyen, accepted by NAACL 2024 (Findings)

AGent: A Novel Pipeline for Automatically Creating Unanswerable Questions Son Quoc Tran, Gia-Huy Do, **Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do**, Matt Kretchmar, Xinya Du

Multi-stage transfer learning with BERTology-based language models for question answering system in vietnamese Kiet Van Nguyen, Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do, Nhat Duy Nguyen, Anh Gia-Tuan Nguyen, Ngan Luu-Thuy Nguyen, accepted by International Journal of Machine Learning and Cybernetics

Revealing Weaknesses of Vietnamese Language Models Through Unanswerable Questions in Machine Reading Comprehension

Son Quoc Tran, Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do, Kiet Van Nguyen, Ngan Luu-Thuy Nguyen, accepted by EACL 2023

The Impacts of Unanswerable Questions on the Robustness of Machine Reading Comprehension Models Son Quoc Tran, Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do, Uyen Le, Matt Kretchmar, accepted by EACL 2023

ViMRC VLSP 2021: XLM-R Versus PhoBERT on Vietnamese Machine Reading Comprehension Nguyen Duy Nhat, **Do Nguyen Thuan Phong**, accepted by VNU Journal of Science

XLMRQA: open-domain question answering on Vietnamese wikipedia-based textual knowledge source Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do, Nhat Duy Nguyen, Kiet Van Nguyen, Tin Van Huynh, Anh Gia-Tuan Nguyen, Ngan Luu-Thuy Nguyen, accepted by ACIIDS 2022

Sentence extraction-based machine reading comprehension for Vietnamese

Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do, Nhat Duy Nguyen, Tin Van Huynh, Kiet Van Nguyen, Anh Gia-Tuan Nguyen, Ngan Luu-Thuy Nguyen, accepted by KSEM 2021

Vireader: A wikipedia-based vietnamese reading comprehension system using transfer learning Kiet Van Nguyen, Nhat Duy Nguyen, Phong Nguyen-Thuan Do, Anh Gia-Tuan Nguyen, Ngan Luu-Thuy Nguyen, accepted by Journal of Intelligent & Fuzzy Systems

EDUACTIONS

BACHELOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

University of Information Technology, Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh city GPA: 3.6/4

2018 - 2022

EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

The UIT NLP Group - University of Information Technology - https://nlp.uit.edu.vn/home Mentored by Kiet Nguyen Van and Ngan Nguyen Luu Thuy 2020 - 2024

- Publishing a benchmark (VLUE) to evaluate language models in Vietnamese for natural language understanding tasks and a pre-trained state-of-the-art Vietnamese model (CafeBERT).
- Focus on in-depth research on machine reading comprehension models and □QA systems. Achieve SOTA results in Vietnamese and other languages.

AI ENGINEER

Zalo - VNG Corporation

2021 - 2024

- Developed machine learning models for Kiki virtual assistant on ZingMP3 app and in-car systems, reaching over 1 million users.
- Analyzed real-world data from text and audio sources to extract insights and inform product development.
- Proven experience in **natural language processing** tasks, including text classification and entity detection; **speech processing** tasks, including voice activity detection, speaker diarization.
- **Collaborated** with cross-functional teams to gather requirements, receive data, provide data insights, and deliver machine learning models.

AWARDS

Encouragement Scholarship	2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
The consolation prize of the 2016 National Youth Informatics Competition	2016
Bronze Medal in Informatics for 30/4 Olympic Exam	2017
Bronze Medal at Phuong Nam Summer Camp	2016
First prize in Informatics at the provincial competition for excellent students	2017