Haozhe Tian

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EDUCATION

• Imperial College London

Oct 2023 - Oct 2027

PhD, Dyson School of Design Engineering

London, UK

Awarded a full scholarship by UKRI and Dyson School of Design Engineering

• Imperial College London

Oct 2021 - Oct 2022

MSc, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering

London, UK

 Grade: Distinction | The Ivor Tupper Prize For Excellence in Signal Processing, Broadcast, and Video Technology (1 in the cohort)

· Beihang University

Sep 2017 - Jun 2021

BEng, School of Automation Science and Electrical Engineering

Beijing, China

• GPA: 3.84/4 | China National Scholarship (0.2%) | three times on the outstanding student list (5%) | Outstanding Graduate (10%)

Work

• Research Assistant [

Jan 2023 - Aug 2023

Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Hong Kong SAR, China

 Developed a graph poisoning method that systematically injects a small number of malicious nodes, significantly enhancing graph link inference attack performance.

• Teaching Assistant

Jun 2024 - ongoing

Imperial College London

London, UK

- Taught Optimisation, Statistics, and Machine Learning to MEng and MSc students.
- Developed tutorial sheets to reinforce core concepts, delivered 3-hour weekly tutorials and provided individual guidance during office hours.

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Haozhe Tian, Homayoun Hamedmoghadam, Robert Shorten, Pietro Ferraro. Reinforcement Learning with Adaptive Regularization for Safe Control of Critical Systems. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems* (NeurIPS). 2024.
- [2] Haozhe Tian, Haibo Hu, Qingqing Ye. CGP: Centroid-guided Graph Poisoning for Link Inference Attacks in Graph Neural Networks. *IEEE International Conference on Big Data (BigData)*. 2023.
- [3] Haozhe Tian, Edoardo Occhipinti, Amir Nassibi, Danilo P. Mandic. Hearables: Heart Rate Variability from Ear Electrocardiogram and Ear Photoplethysmogram (Ear-ECG and Ear-PPG). In 45th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society (EMBC) (oral presentation). 2023.
- [4] Bei Zhang, **Haozhe Tian**, Tianyu Xiao, Jing Zhang. Instrumentation of surface plasmon microscopy: complete scheme of signal extractions. *IEEE Transactions on Instrumentation and Measurement*. 2021.
- [5] **Haozhe Tian**, Qiyu Rao, Nina Moutonnet, Pietro Ferraro, Danilo P. Mandic. Reinforcement Learning Driven Sequential Matched Filtering for R-Peak Detection in Ear-ECG. *Under review*. 2025.

SKILLS

- Qualifications: GRE General (330+4.0) | TOEFL iBT (115)
- Programming Languages: Python | MATLAB | Julia
- Python: PyTorch | OpenAI Gym | NumPy | Scikit-learn | OpenCV | pandas | Matplotlib
- Others: LaTeX | html | CSS | git

Reinforcement Learning for Safety-Critical Applications

Oct 2023 - ongoing

Topics: Reinforcement Learning (RL), Model Predictive Control (MPC), Convex Optimization

- Awarded the I-X Moonshot Seed Fund (awarded to 6 projects annually at Imperial College London).
- Developed and open-sourced three safety-critical control environments (two for blood glucose control and one for chemical reactors) in the OpenAI Gym style [].
- Proposed a "focus" module that achieves safe RL training through adaptive integration of MPC.
- · Analytically quantified the worst-case policy performance and provided convergence proof for the trained policy.
- Validated the algorithm in simulations based on real patient data.

• Link Inference Attacks in Graph Neural Networks

Jan 2023 - Aug 2023

Topic: Graph Neural Network (GNN), Graph Attention Networks (GAT)

- Formalized a novel graph link inference attack scenario involving malicious nodes.
- Designed a link inference attack method leveraging malicious nodes to extract sensitive links.
- \circ Achieved F1-scores of > 0.9 using only 1% malicious nodes in benchmark graph datasets.

• The Analysis of Noisy Ear ECG and PPG Signals

Jan 2022 - Aug 2022

Topics: Matched Filter, Hilbert Transform, Machine Learning

- Contributed to the development of a wearable ear sensor for bio-signal measurements (ECG and PPG).
- Created a method for heartbeat detection using a Matched Filter with auto-generated templates.
- Applied signal processing techniques to extract features from real-world signals, enabling physical state classification using machine learning.

• Epileptic Seizure Detection Using Graph Neural Networks

Jan 2021 - Jun 2021

Topics: Graph Neural Network (GNN), Signal Processing

- Conducted spectral analysis and statistical tests to identify key EEG frequency bands.
- Developed graph-based representations of EEG channels using spatial and spectral coherence.
- Empirically compared the performance of fully connected neural networks, shallow GNNs, and deep GNNs.

• Surface Plasmon Microscopy Based on Object Detection Networks

May 2020 - Apr 2021

Topics: Object Detection, Signal Processing, Optics

- Built an optical system for acquiring surface plasmon (SP) profiles.
- Trained a Faster R-CNN network for localizing SP profiles and classifying polarization states.
- Introduced self-correlation for location rectification and gray-scale statistical methods for aperture radius measurement.