

# Kai Zhi TEH

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## Education

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### PhD Statistical Science - University College London

2022-

Researching graphical causal inference, covering:

- Causal discovery  
Researching validity conditions of general causal discovery algorithms, developing novel algorithms valid beyond standard assumptions.
- Robust causal effect identification  
Establishing identification criteria robust to structural ambiguity of causal graphs.
- Probabilistic modelling of causal graphs  
Introducing time series probabilistic models for a generalised class of graphical models, enabling causal analysis and graphical calculus of confounded dynamical systems.

### MEng Engineering Science - St Peter's College, University of Oxford

2017-2021

First Class Honours.

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| 2020-2021 | Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Optimisation, Systems Control and Dynamics.<br><u>4<sup>th</sup> Year Research Project</u><br>Graph Compression   |
| 2019-2020 | Control Systems, Signal Processing, Software Engineering, Bio-mechanics and Bio-medical.<br><u>3<sup>rd</sup> Year Group Project</u><br>Advanced Photonics Manufacturing Platform (adaptive optical confocal microscopy) |

## Experience

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### University College London, UK

Feb 2022-

Postgraduate Teaching Assistant

Conducting undergraduate tutorials, demonstrations and marking exercises.

Modules include :      STAT0002(Introduction to Probability and Statistics)  
                                 STAT0007(Stochastic Processes)  
                                 BIOS0019(Life Sciences Foundation)

### Dell-Oxford Artificial Intelligence Society Summer Project

Jul 2021

Implementing reinforcement learning approaches in Python to Dell business cases of selling technology as a service, particularly product-seller interaction.

Collaborated with business team of the project to produce business analytics of the project.

### St Peter's College, University of Oxford, UK

Feb 2020

Open Day Student Outreach Helper

Guiding A-Levels students around campus, and answering questions about life in University.

### SingHealth Duke-NUS Institute of Precision Medicine, Singapore

Jul-Aug 2019

Research Intern

Implementing LD Pruning on genotype samples.

Expanding upon previous year's work by verifying a recent correlation study of SNP (Single Nucleotide Polymorphism) and telomere length amongst Singaporean Chinese.

## Oxford Thermofluids Institute, University of Oxford, UK

Sep 2018

Software Intern

Fixing crash and reboot issues on engine temperature data measurement software in Python.

Implementing serial data communication through Python.

## SingHealth Duke-NUS Institute of Precision Medicine, Singapore

Jul-Aug 2018

Research Intern

Implementing LMM (Linear Mixed Modelling) between genotype data on phenotype traits.

Implementing statistical tests (KS-Tests) on correlation data to be compared to previous studies.

## Publications

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### Published/PrePrints

**Teh, K.Z.**, Sadeghi, K. & Soo, T. (2025). *Towards robust causal effect identification beyond Markov equivalence*. International Conference on Machine Learning: Scaling Up Intervention Models. arXiv:2506.15561.

**Teh, K.Z.**, Sadeghi, K. & Soo, T. (2024). *Localised natural causal learning algorithms for weak consistency conditions*. In: Proceedings of the 40th Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence. arXiv.2402.14775, 2024.

**Teh, K.Z.**, Sadeghi, K. & Soo, T. (2024). *A general framework on constraint-based causal learning*. Major revision, Scandinavian Journal of Statistics. arXiv:2408.07575, 2024.

### In Preparation

**Teh, K.Z.**, Sadeghi, K. & Soo, T. (2025+). Causal interpretations of arterial graphs.

## Presentations

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### Posters

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| May 2025 | Causal Interpretation of Arterial Graphs and Constrained Confounder Selection, <b>American Causal Inference Conference 2025</b> , Detroit |
| Jul 2024 | Localised Natural Causal Learning under Weak Conditions, <b>2024 Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence</b> , Barcelona     |
| Apr 2024 | A General Framework for Constraint-based Causal Learning, <b>European Causal Inference Meeting 2024</b> , Copenhagen                      |

### Talks

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| Jun 2025 | Causal Interpretation of Arterial Graphs and Constrained Confounder Selection, <b>UCL Statistical Science PhD Seminars</b> , London  |
| Apr 2025 | Causal Interpretation of Arterial Graphs and Constrained Confounder Selection, <b>European Causal Inference Meeting 2025</b> , Ghent |
| May 2024 | Relaxing the Faithfulness Assumption in Causal Inference, <b>UCL Statistical Science PhD Seminars</b> , London                       |
| Dec 2023 | A General Framework for Causal Learning Algorithms, <b>2023 IMS International Conference on Statistics and Data Science</b> , Lisbon |
| Sep 2023 | The Role of Ordering in Causal Inference, <b>RSS International Conference 2023</b> , Harrogate                                       |

## Organisational Duties

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### UCL-ELLIS CSML Seminar Series

2022-

Invited and organised academic speaker seminars in computational statistics and machine learning.  
[https://ucl-ellis.github.io/jt\\_csml\\_seminar\\_home/](https://ucl-ellis.github.io/jt_csml_seminar_home/)

### Oxford Artificial Intelligence Society Committee

2017-2020

Hosted speaker events from corporations and academics in AI.  
<https://tinyurl.com/wjk4g5m>  
<http://tiny.cc/h2ngaz>

## Awards

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2022-2025	UCL Postgraduate Teaching Assistant Studentship
2017-2021	Verdant Foundation - Cheng Kin Ku Scholarship

## Relevant Skills

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### Language

English	Fluent
Mandarin	Native
Malay	Grade A Proficiency in Malaysian O Levels (SPM)
Cantonese	Conversational