# Chexuan Qiao

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#### **EDUCATION**

## Trinity College, University of Cambridge

2021-2024/Expected

M.Eng. in Information and Computer Engineering

## Trinity College, University of Cambridge

2021-2023

B.A. in Information and Computer Engineering

First Class Honours

Fourth-year core modules: deep learning and structured data (4F10), computer vision (4F12), probabilistic machine learning (4F13), computational statistics and machine learning (4M24)

Third-year core modules: signals and systems (3F1), statistical signal processing (3F3), data transmission (3F4), information theory and coding (3F7), inference (3F8), 3D computer graphics (3G4), mathematical methods (3M1)

## The University of Hong Kong

2019-2024[Expected]

B.Eng. in Computer Engineering CGPA 3.98/4.3

#### RESEARCH INTEREST

Computer vision, 3D body shape reconstruction, knowledge distillation.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Final Year Project

Oct 2023 - May 2024

Computer Vision and Robotics Group

Accurate 3D body shape reconstruction from single RGB images

Supervisor: Prof. Roberto Cipolla

• Accurate 3D body shape reconstruction.

## Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme

June 2023 - September 2023

Conservation Research Institute, University of Cambridge

Mapping Bird Distribution across Britain

Supervisor: Prof. David Coomes, Dr. Mark Wilson

- Analysed correlations between bird abundance data and environmental metrics ranging from canopy structure, woodland composition, climate and topology.
- LiDAR understory Plant Area Distribution(PAD).
- Using randomForest, created maps of bird abundance across Britain.

## Summer research internship

June 2022 - September 2022

EEE, HKU

Knowledge Distillation as Efficient Pre-training (KDEP) on Vision Transformers

Supervisor: Dr. Ruifei He, Dr. Xiaojuan Qi

• Studied transformer architectures, and conducted a literature search for suitable teacher networks. Implemented KDEP on DeiT and Swin transformers.

• Conducted ablation studies on optimiser, training schedule, and downstream datasets (CI-FAR100, FLOWERS, Stanford CARS).

## Summer research internship

May 2020 - September 2020

EEE, HKU

Computer Vision and Image Segmentation

Supervisor: Dr. Xiaojuan Qi

- Studied the broader aspects of computer vision, neural networks, and PyTorch as preparation for the research.
- Constructed a knowledge-distillation PSPNet which achieved a 2 percent mIoU increase from the original PSPNet.

# HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Junior Scholar, Trinity College, University of Cambridge	2022
Cambridge Trust Scholarship, University of Cambridge	2021-2024
EE 72 Philip Ng Scholarship, HKU	2020-2021
HKU-Cambridge Joint Recruitment Scheme	2020
Dean's Honours List, HKU	2019-2021