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IT SKILLS: Python, R, Julia, C/C++ , AWS, STATA.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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2020 - Full-time researcher in economics and statistics, AI Lab, CyberAgent, Inc.

## EDUCATION

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2021 - Doctor of philosophy, University of Tokyo. Advisor: Masaaki Imaizumi.

2017 - 2020 Master of Computer Science, University of Tokyo. Advisors: Masashi Sugiyama and Junya Honda.

2013 - 2017 Bachelor of Economics, University of Tokyo.

## RESEARCH INTEREST

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High-dimensional statistics, Learning with overparametrized models, Experimental design, Multi-armed bandit problems, Weakly supervised learning, Urban economics.

## PUBLICATIONS

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All papers are published in conference proceedings. \* means that I am the first or co-first or corresponding author.

1. Shota Yasui\*, and Masahiro Kato\*. (\*Equal contribution) Learning Classifiers under Delayed Feedback with a Time Window Assumption. In *the International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD)*, 2022.
2. Masahiro Kato\*, Masaaki Imaizumi, Kenichiro McAlinn, Shota Yasui, and Haruo Kakehi. Learning Causal Models from Conditional Moment Restrictions by Importance Weighting. In *the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR, Spotlight 4% 176/3391)*, 2021.
3. Masahiro Kato\*, Kenichiro McAlinn, and Shota Yasui. The Adaptive Doubly Robust Estimator and a Paradox Concerning Logging Policy. In *the Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2021.
4. Masahiro Kato\*, and Takeshi Teshima. Non-negative Bregman Divergence Minimization for Deep Direct Density Ratio Estimation. In *the International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2021.
5. Riku Togashi, Masahiro Kato, Mayu Otani, Tetsuya Sakai, and Shin'ichi Satoh. Scalable Personalised Item Ranking through Parametric Density Estimation. In *the Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval (SIGIR)*, 2021.
6. Riku Togashi, Masahiro Kato, Mayu Otani, and Shin'ichi Satoh. Density-Ratio Based Personalised Ranking from Implicit Feedback. In *the Web Conference (WWW)*, 2021.
7. Masatoshi Uehara\*, Masahiro Kato\*, and Shota Yasui. (\*Equal contribution) Off-Policy Evaluation and Learning for External Validity under a Covariate Shift. In *the Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS, Spotlight 3% 280/9054)*, 2020.
8. Masahiro Kato\*, Takeshi Teshima, and Junya Honda. Learning from Positive and Unlabeled Data with a Selection Bias. In *the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2019.

## WORKING PAPERS

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\* means that I am the first or co-first or corresponding author.

- Kaito Ariu, Masahiro Kato\*, Junpei Komiyama, Kenichiro McAlinn, and Chao Qin (Alphabetical order). Policy Choice and Best Arm Identification: Asymptotic Analysis of Exploration Sampling. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.08229>. R&R at *Econometrica*.
- Masahiro Kato\*, and Kaito Ariu. The Role of Contextual Information in Best Arm Identification. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.14077>. Submitted to *Journal of Machine Learning Research*.
- Masahiro Kato\*, Masaaki Imaizumi, Takuya Ishiraha, and Toru Kitagawa. Semiparametric Best Arm Identification with Contextual Information. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2209.07330>.
- Masahiro Kato\*, Masaaki Imaizumi, Takuya Ishiraha, and Toru Kitagawa. Asymptotic Minimax Simple Regret Minimization in Semiparametric Best Arm Identification. Unpublished.
- Masahiro Kato\*, and Masaaki Imaizumi. Benign Overfitting in Conditional Average Treatment Effect Prediction with Linear Regression. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.05245>.

- Masahiro Kato\*, Masaaki Imaizumi, and Kentaro Minami. Unified Perspective on Probability Divergence via Maximum Likelihood Density Ratio Estimation: Bridging KL-Divergence and Integral Probability Metrics. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2201.13127>.
- Junpei Komiyama, Kaito Ariu, Masahiro Kato, and Chao Qin. Optimal Simple Regret in Bayesian Best Arm Identification. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2111.09885>.
- Masahiro Kato\*, Kei Nakagawa, Kenshi Abe, and Tetsuro Morimura. Mean-Variance Efficient Reinforcement Learning by Expected Quadratic Utility Maximization. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.01404>.
- Masahiro Kato\*, Takuya Ishihara, Junya Honda, and Yusuke Narita. Efficient Adaptive Experimental Design for Average Treatment Effect Estimation. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.05308>.

#### ■ MASTER THESIS

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- Adaptive Experimental Design for Efficient Treatment Effect Estimation: Randomized Allocation via Contextual Bandit Algorithm.

#### ■ INTERNSHIP

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2019 12 – 2020 04	CyberAgent, Inc.
2019 08 – 09	Preferred Networks
2020	JustInCase
2018 – 2019	RIKEN Advanced Intelligence Project (AIP)
2018 – 2021	Center for Research and Education in Program Evaluation (CREPE), The University of Tokyo
2017 – 2018	Morpho
2017 – 2018	YJFX!

#### ■ SERVICES

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**Conferences reviewing:** ICML (2019 - 2022), Neurips (2020 - 2022), ICLR (2020-2022). AISTATS (2020,2021).

**Journals reviewing:** Econometrica, TMLR.