Education

University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D. in Economics 2020 –

(Fall 2021 – Spring 2022: Leave of absence due to military service in Korea.)

University of British Columbia

B.Sc. in Mathematics (with Distinction) 2015 – 2017 B.A. in Economics 2012 – 2014

Working Papers

1. Identification of Treatment Effects Heterogeneity Using Prognostic Variables

IAAE 2024 (Xiamen); Penn 2024 (x2); JHU-Penn-NYU Applied Microeconomics PhD Student Conference.

2. Difference-in-Differences with Latent Group Structures

(with Hiroyuki Kasahara)

Labor, Firms, and Macro Reading Group 2023; Califonia Econometrics Conference 2023; CESG 2023; Penn 2023.

3. Event Studies for Discrete Outcomes with Latent Transition Heterogeneity

(with Hiroyuki Kasahara)

(Earlier versions of the manuscripts titled "Difference-by-Transitions: Theory and Applications in Program Evaluation" by Young Ahn, "Event Study Designs for Binary Outcomes with Latent Group Structures" by Hiroyuki Kasahara, and "Event Study Designs for Discrete Outcomes with Latent Heterogeneity.")

Penn 2024; SOLE 2024; IAAE 2024 (Thessaloniki); North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society 2024; Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society 2024; EEA-ESEM 2024; CESG 2024.

Work in Progress

- 1. Dynamic Treatment Effects: Heterogeneity and Intertemporal Tradeoffs
- 2. Technology, Skills, and Inequality in Competitive Environments: Evidence from Go Players

AASLE 2023; Penn 2024.

3. Finite Mixture Regression Models for Treatment Effect Parameters with Many Regressors

(with Hiroyuki Kasahara)

EcoSta 2021.

Presentations

2024: Penn (x4); SOLE; IAAE (Xiamen); IAAE (Thessaloniki); Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society; North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society; EEA-ESEM; JHU-Penn-NYU Applied Microeconomics PhD Student Conference.

-2023: Labor, Firms, and Macro Reading Group; CESG (x2); Penn; AASLE. (*: Scheduled)

Software

1. pathselection (with Hiroyuki Kasahara)

Event study designs for binary/discrete outcome variables.

Available at https://github.com/bayesiahn/pathselection.

2. mixturedid (with Hiroyuki Kasahara)

R package for difference-in-differences when parallel trends assumptions do not hold.

Available at https://github.com/bayesiahn/mixturedid.

3. SimpleDifferentialOperators.jl (QuantEcon)

Julia package for solving differential equations by numerical discretization. I worked on derivation

(with Jesse Perla), implementation, documentation, tutorials, and complete examples.

Available at https://github.com/quantecon/SimpleDifferentialOperators.jl.

Previous Employment

Research Assistant October 2023 –

Department of Economics, University of Pennsylvania

Supervisor: Andrew Shephard

Contributor January 2019 –

QuantEcon

Numerical solutions for heterogeneous agent models in macroeconomics.

Predoctoral Fellow August 2018 – June 2020

Vancouver School of Economics, University of British Columbia

Supervisor: Giovanni Gallipolli and Jesse Perla

Research Assistant June 2017 – July 2018

Bank of Canada Supervisor: Heng Chen

Research Assistant May 2016 – June 2017

Vancouver School of Economics, University of British Columbia

Supervisor: Hiroyuki Kasahara

Research Intern October 2014 – January 2015

Korea Labour & Society Institute

Teaching

Guest Lecturer

ECON 628 - Topics in Applied Econometrics I (UBC)

January 2017 - April 2017

Lecture on data analysis and auto-differentiation for second-year graduate students.

Teaching Assistant

ECON 2310 - Econometric Methods and Models (Penn) Fall 2023/2024

Supervisor: Xu Cheng

ECON 4320 - Microeconometrics (Penn) Spring 2023/2024

Supervisor: Petra Todd

ECON 0100 - Introduction to Microeconomics (Penn) Fall 2022

Supervisor: Anne Duchene

CPSC 303 - Numerical Approximation and Discretization (UBC) Spring 2017

Honours & Awards

University of British Columbia

Dean's Honour List (x2)	2015 - 2017
NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards	May 2016
NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards (declined for another job offer.)	May 2017
Graduation with Distinction	May 2017

Others

Service for the Republic of Korea Army (Sergeant, served in an artillery battalion.) 2020 – 2022

Skills

Computer programming

C/C++, Julia, MATLAB, Python, R, Stata, shell scripting, multi-cluster computing with MPI, version controls with Git, GNU Make.

Foreign languages

Korean (native), Japanese (advanced; certified with JLPT N1 in 2022), Mandarin (advanced; certified with HSK Level 6 in 2020), Literary Chinese (intermediate)