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I work across the entire data production chain—collecting it, analyzing it, visualizing it, and packaging it all for stakeholder consumption. In short, I like to tell stories with data.

Education

2019	M.A. Economics	The University of Tokyo
2016	M.A. Economics	University of the Philippines
2013	B.S. Economics	University of the Philippines

Work Experience

Economic Research Officer/Senior Manager

Investor Relations & Corporate Planning Group – Economic Research

BDO Unibank

February 2022–January 2023 (1 year)

In charge of developing the macroeconomic outlook of the Bank. Tasks included:

- Constructing and maintaining models to forecast key macroeconomic variables like GDP growth and inflation. Primarily used programming language R
- Delivering a weekly presentation to senior management on global and domestic macroeconomic trends and how these may impact the Bank's macro outlook
- Delivering presentations on the macro outlook to the Bank's business units and their clients upon their request
- Providing support to the Bank's various research teams

GVC Research Analyst

Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department

Asian Development Bank

January 2020–January 2022 (2 years 1 month)

Headed team analyzing global value chains (GVCs) primarily using the ADB Multiregional Input–Output Database. Such analyses have been published in ADB's *Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific* series, the *Global Value Chain Development Report*, and various other publications. Tasks included:

- Leading team of 5-8 in carrying out projects
- Implementing models from the academic literature using up-to-date data
- Constructing new models, frameworks, and indicators where necessary
- Drafting reports analyzing GVCs
- Generating visualizations for such reports
- Maintaining database of indicators and the R scripts that implement them
- Working with outside institutions on GVC projects

Executive Assistant

Millennium Challenge Corporation Compact Development Team
Philippine Department of Finance
July 2016–August 2017 (1 year 1 month)

The Millennium Challenge Corporation is a United States aid agency independent of the State Department and USAID that forms “compacts” with partner countries. Tasks included:

- Providing support to Filipino–American team of consultants tasked with designing anti-poverty programs
- Planning of field missions to Cebu, Bohol, Palawan, Samar, Leyte, and northern Mindanao
- Writing of backgrounders on various Philippine development issues for consultants
- Performing other administrative work such as taking minutes, arranging meetings, and managing database of project documents

Lecturer

Ateneo de Manila University Department of Economics
January 2016–July 2017; January–May 2020 (2 years)

Taught courses on introductory economics, macroeconomics, and mathematics. Devised tests for these courses.

Research Assistant

Asian Institute of Management (AIM) Rizalino S. Navarro Policy Center
October 2014–February 2015 (5 months)

Assisted in writing research paper on poverty for project funded by United Nations Development Programme.

Written Works

- ***Pakistan’s Economy and Trade in the Age of Global Value Chains***
Asian Development Bank (January 2022)
- **“Recent Trends in Global Value Chains”** (co-authored)
Chapter in *Global Value Chain Development Report 2021*
Asian Development Bank (November 2021)
- **“The COVID-19 Shock and the Two Faces of Global Value Chains”**
Chapter in *Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific 2021*
Asian Development Bank (August 2021)
- **“The Evolving Comparative Advantage of Asian Economies”** (co-author)
Chapter in *Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific 2020*
Asian Development Bank (August 2020)

Other Activities & Achievements

- **Two Points Make a Line (twopoints.blog)**
November 2022–onward

I maintain a blog on data visualization hosted on GitHub Pages

- **Master's Scholarship**
Konosuke Matsushita Memorial Foundation
October 2017–September 2019

Competitively awarded to two foreign graduate students at the University of Tokyo every year. Includes tuition and stipend.
- **Teaching Fellowship**
Health Policy Development Program
USAID–University of the Philippines School of Economics
November 2013–April 2014
- **Editor-in-Chief, *Echoes***
October 2010–October 2011

Official publication of the U.P. Economics Society, a student organization. Re-oriented publication towards politics, economics, and campus issues.
- **Member, Philippine Debate Team**
World Schools Debating Championships
Washington, D.C., United States
September 2008
- **Team Champion**
Asian Schools Debate Championship
De La Salle University, Manila, Philippine
August 2007

Computer Skills

Coding R (tidyverse, rvest, terra, sf), Python (numpy, pandas, scikit-learn), Latex, Stata
Visualization ggplot2, highcharter, leaflet

Character References

Mahinthan Joseph Mariasingham mmariasingham@adb.org	Direct supervisor at Asian Development Bank
Elisabetta Gentile egentile@adb.org	Worked closely with for the <i>Global Value Chain Development Report 2021</i>
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