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Primary Fields of Research: Econometrics (theory and applications), analysis of panel data

Secondary Fields of Research: Mathematical statistics, high-dimensional statistics

### **EDUCATION**

#### Postgraduate Studies

Sep. 2019 –	CREST, ENSAE Paris, Institut Polytechnique de Paris, France
	Ph.D. Candidate in Economics
	• Dissertation title: "Nonlinear Panel Data Models and High-Dimensional Statistics"
	• Expected Completion Date: June 2023
2018 - 2019	Université Paris-Saclay, France
	M.Sc. in Applied Mathematics (with honors)
	Major in Mathematical Statistics and Machine Learning Theory
2017 - 2019	ENSAE Paris, France
	Ingénieur Économiste-Statisticien, Graduate Program
	Major in Data Science and Statistical Learning
2016 - 2017	École Polytechnique, HEC Paris, ENSAE Paris, ENS Paris-Saclay, France
	Master in Economics (1 <sup>st</sup> year) (with highest honors)
2015 - 2019	École Normale Supérieure Paris-Saclay, France
	M.Sc. in Economics and Management
	• Civil servant student ("normalien")

#### GRADUATE STUDIES

2015 - 2016	Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and ENS Paris-Saclay, France
	B.Sc. in Economics (with honors)
2013 - 2015	Toulouse School of Economics & Lycée Ozenne, France
	Licences 1 & 2 in Economics and Management (ranked 7 <sup>th</sup> out of 722 & 1 <sup>st</sup> out of 274)
	• Preparatory classes for the national competitive examination for admission to the ENS
	Paris-Saclay (option D2): two-year undergraduate intensive course in mathematics, eco-
	nomics, and management.

## WORKING PAPERS

**Fixed Effects Binary Choice Models with Three or More Periods** (with Xavier D'Haultfœuille and Laurent Davezies) R&R at Quantitative Economics

We consider fixed effects binary choice models with a fixed number of periods T and without a large support condition on the regressors. If the time-varying unobserved terms are i.i.d. with known distribution F, Chamberlain (2010) shows that the common slope parameter is point identified if and only if F is logistic. However, he only considers in his proof T=2. We show that actually, the result does not generalize to  $T\geq 3$ : the common slope parameter can be identified when F belongs to a family including the logit distribution. Identification is based on a conditional moment restriction. Under restrictions on the covariates, these moment conditions lead to point identification of relative effects. Finally, if T=3 and mild conditions hold, GMM estimators based on these conditional moment restrictions reach the semiparametric efficiency bound.

### Make the Difference! Computationally Trivial Estimators for Grouped Fixed Effects Models

Novel estimators are proposed for linear grouped fixed effects models. Rather than predicting a single grouping of units, they deliver a collection of groupings with the same flavor as the so-called Lasso regularization path. Mild conditions are found that ensure their asymptotic guarantees are the same as the so-called grouped fixed effects and post-spectral estimators (Bonhomme and Manresa, 2015; Chetverikov and Manresa, 2021). In contrast, the new estimators are computationally straightforward and do not require prior knowledge of the number of groups. Monte Carlo simulations suggest good finite sample performance. Applying the approach to real data provides new insights on the potential grouped structure of the unobserved heterogeneity.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

2020	Unobserved Clusters of Time-Varying Heterogeneity in Nonlinear Panel Data Models				
2020	Identification and (Fast) Estimation of Nonlinear Panel Models with Additively Separa-				
	ble Two-way Fixed Effects (with Ao Wang)				
2020	Asymptotic Properties of Empirical Quantile-Based Estimators (with Xavier				
	D'Haultfœuille and Jérémy L'Hour)				
2019	Linking Patents to Firms: Insights with French Firms (with Matthieu Lequien, Loriane Py				
	and Paul Trichelair)				

## **GRANTS & AWARDS**

2022 - 2023	French ANR 4th year grant: "Investissements d'Avenir/LabEx Ecodec"
2021 - 2022	EUR Data Science for Economics, Finance and Management International Mobility Grant
2019 - 2022	French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, Full Scholarship
2015 - 2019	École Normale Supérieure Paris-Saclay, Full Scholarship
2017	Hackaton Ernst & Young-Genius ENSAE, 2nd Prize – Deep Learning Challenge

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Courses (Principal Instructor)				
Fall '19	Linear Algebra and Python (24 hrs), HEC Paris & ENSAE Paris			
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<u> </u>	essions at ENSAE Paris			
Fall '20, '21	Mathematical Fundations of Probability Theory (21 hrs), prof. Cristina Butucea			
Spring '21	Differentiable Optimization (21 hrs), prof. Guillaume Lecué			
Graduate TA sessions at ENSAE Paris				
Spring '20, '21	Econometrics II (18 hrs), prof. Mickael Visser			
Fall '20, '21	Mathematical Statistics I (18 hrs), prof. Arnak Dalalyan			
Spring '20, '21	Mathematical Statistics II (11 hrs), prof. Matthieu Lerasle			

### Professional Experience

April – Sep.	CREST, Microeconometrics Lab, Palaiseau, France (4 months)
2019	Research assistant to Pr. Xavier D'Haultfœuille.
	• Theoretical econometrics • Conducted research on statistical identification in discrete
	choice models with high-dimensional fixed effects.
June – Sep.	Banque de France, DGSEI, SEPS, Paris, France (4 months)
2018	Research intern, supervised by Matthieu Lequien and Loriane Py.
	• Designed a machine learning based agorithm to fuzzy-match patent data from the PAT-
	STAT Global database to SIRENE, the national register of French firms held by Insee.
2017 - 2018	Société Générale, Inspection Générale, Paris, France (8 months)
	ENSAE Team Project in Applied Statistics (part-time internship), supervised by Clément
	Sentis and Walid Amrane.
	• Designed predictive algorithms to forecast and anticipate credit risk and defaults in a
	portfolio of medium-sized firms for a subsidiary in Africa.
April – July	<b>Toulouse School of Economics, IAST</b> , Toulouse, France (4 months)

2017

Research assistant to Senior Scholar Daniel-Li Chen (IAST/NBER).

• Collected, cleaned and explored very large datasets. Designed and implemented econometric specifications to capture psychocognitive bias in decision-making in U.S. Courts such as cognitive caseload, time-effects, sequential-contrast effects, date of birth effects • Research assistance on the project "The Impact of Financial Payments from Pharmaceutical Industries on Prescribing Behaviors and Patient Outcomes".

May - July 2016

French Treasury, French Embassy in Colombia, Regional Economic Service, Bogotá, Colombia (2 months)

Economist intern, supervised by Laurent Charpin.

• Performed a statistical analysis aiming to highlight promising sectors for French exports

• Produced a report from personal research and many interviews conducted in Spanish.

2016 – 2017 **C'efficace**, Paris, France (2 years)

Individual teacher.

• Taught courses in Economics, Marketing and Mathematics to high-school and undergraduate students.

# PROGRAMMING SKILLS & LANGUAGES

Prog. skills Python\*\*\*, R\*\*, Stata\*\*, SAS\*\*, Languages English (fluent, TOEIC: 915/990), Spanish (intermediate), French (native)

# Conferences, Seminars & Academic Visits

Seminars | University of Chicago (Econometrics Student Group, 05/2022; I.O. lunch, 04/2022;

Econometrics Workshop, 04/2022), CREST Ph.D. Seminar (06/2022, 10/2021, 12/2020, 07/2020), CREST Microeconometrics Seminar (03/2022, 09/2021), Hadamard Doctoral School Ph.D. Seminar (02/2021), EPFL Workshop on Computational Methods in Social

Science (07/2019)

Conferences North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (06/2022), European Win-

ter Meeting of the Econometric Society (12/2021), Bristol Econometric Study Group (07/2022, 09/2021), EEA Congress (08/2022, 08/2021), China Meeting of the Econometric Society (06/2022, 07/2021), Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society (06/2021), African Meeting of the Econometrics Society (06/2021), IAAE Annual Conference

(06/2021, 2020 cancelled), 50èmes Journées de la Statistique (2020 cancelled)

Co-organizer of CREST Ph.D. Seminar (2019-2021), CREST Statistics-Econometrics-Machine-Learning

Seminar (2019-), CREST Econometric Reading Group (2020)

Academic Visits | Department of Economics of the University of Chicago (2022 Winter and Spring Quar-

ters), sponsor: Prof. Stéphane Bonhomme.

#### Other Duties

2020 – 2021 Ph.D.s' representative on the Board of Directors of Groupe des Écoles Nationales

d'Économie et Statistique (Genes)

## REFERENCES

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