Polmeth 2025 Program

Thursday, July 17		
7:45AM-12:00PM		
Registration (White Hall Hallway)		
8:30-10:00 AM		
Panel 1A (White Hall 205):		
	1	Media Portrayals of Conflict: A Text and Image-based Analysis of Framing and Public Opinion
		Ala Alrababah, Will Marble, Salma Mousa, Alexandra Siegel, **Michelle Torres**
	2	Russian News on Social Media Networks: Evidence from Facebook and VK
		Liancheng Gong, **Daniel J. Hopkins**, Gall Sigler, Samuel Wolken
		Discussant: Adeline Lo
Panel 1B (White Hall 206):		
	1	Randomization Inference with Sample Selection
		Xinran Li, Peizan Sheng, **Zeyang Yu**
	2	Bounding causal effects in survey experiments with noncompliance or inattention
		Matthew Tyler
		Discussant: Yuki Shiraito
Panel 1C (White Hall 207):		
	1	Isolated Causal Effects of Natural Language
		Victoria Lin, Louis-Philippe Morency, **Eli Ben-Michael**
	2	GenAI-Powered Inference

		Kosuke Imai, Kentaro Nakamura
		Discussant: Naoki Egami
10:15-11:45 AM		
Panel 2A (White Hall 205):		
	1	The Effect of Childhood Environment on Political Behavior: Evidence from Young U.S. Movers, 1992–2021
		Jacob Brown, Enrico Cantoni, Sahil Chinoy, Martin Koenen, Vincent Pons
	2	Political Sorting in the U.S. Labor Market: Evidence and Explanations
		Sahil Chinoy, Martin Koenen
		Discussant: Shiro Kuriwaki
Panel 2B (Whit		
	1	Propaganda is already influencing large language models: evidence from training data, audits, and real-world usage
		Hannah Waight, Eddie Yang, Yin Yuan, Solomon Messing, **Margaret E. Roberts**, Brandon M. Stewart, Joshua A. Tucker
	2	Linear Representations of Political Perspective Emerge in Large Language Models
		Junsol Kim, James Evans, Aaron Schein
		Discussant: Yuehong Cassandra Tai
Panel 2C (White Hall 207):		
	1	Inference for Group Interaction Experiments
		Jiawei Fu, **Cyrus Samii,** Ye Wang
	2	Automated Experimental Design with Optimization from Historical Data Simulations
		Ruoxuan Xiong

		Discussant: Teppei Yamamoto
12:00-1:00 PM		
Lunch		
1:15-2:15 PM		
Panel 3A (White Hall 205):		
	1	Backlash
		Emily Hencken Ritter, Jessica S. Sun, Scott A. Tyson
	2	The Limits of Electoral Gender Quotas in Rural Local Bodies
		Varun Karekurve-Ramachandra, Gaurav Sood
		Discussant: Miguel Rueda
Panel 3B (White Hall 206):		
	1	Data-NoMAD: A Tool for Boosting Confidence in the Integrity of Social Science Survey Data
		Sanford Gordon, Cyrus Samii, Zhihao (Patrick) Su
	2	What to Do When Humans Are No Longer the Gold Standard: Large Language Models, State of the Art
		James Bisbee, Arthur Spirling
		Discussant: Walter Mebane
Panel 3C (White Hall 207):		
	1	A Causal Ablation Framework for Evaluating Assumptions
		Dean Knox, Luke Keele, Ilya Shpitser
	2	Relative Bias in Proximal and IV Estimators Under Imperfect Identification
		Melody Huang, **Cory McCartan**

		Discussant: Chad Hazlett
2:30-3:30 PM		
Panel 4A (White Hall 205):		
	1	Can AI Reduce Prejudice at Scale? Evaluating the Effectiveness of AI-Powered Personalized Persuasion on Support for Transgender Rights
		Charles Crabtree, John Holbein, **Mitchell Bosley,** and Semra Sevi
	2	Automated Repression: Ethnic Discrimination in AI-assisted Criminal Sentencing
		Eddie Yang
		Discussant: Kevin Esterling
Panel 4B (White Hall 206):		
	1	Inference for weighting-based effect estimators: Residualization produces smaller standard errors with correct coverage
		Erin Hartman, Chad Hazlett, Arisa Sadeghpour
	2	When can we get away with using the two-way fixed effects regression?
		Apoorva Lal
		Discussant: Soichiro Yamauchi
Panel 4C (White Hall 207):		
	1	A Framework for Multilingual Text Analysis of Political Discourse: Identifying Populism in Facebook Posts from 2020-2024 Elections Worldwide
		Cecilia Y. Sui, Soyeon Jeon, Christopher Lucas, **Jacob Montgomery**, Margit Tavits
	2	The Veil of Elections: Assessing the Causal Effect of Homophily on Partisan Segregation
		Amber Lee, Todd Neif, Panos Toulis, Aaron Schein

		Discussant: Elisha Cohen
3:45-5:00 PM		
Keynote Talk (White Hall 208):		
		Next Generation DiD, by Eric Tchetgen Tchetgen
		The talk is based on joint work with Chan Park and Jinghao Sun
		(Abstract)
		arXiv:2507.07228
		arXiv:2212.13641
6:00-9:00 PM		
Social Event at LadyBird Grove and Mess Hall		
		Buses leave from Tarbutton Circle on Dickey Drive at 5:30 and 5:45
Friday, July 18		
8:00AM-12:00PM		
Registration (White Hall Hallway)		
8:30-10:00 AM		
Panel 5A (White Hall 205):		
	1	Reducing WhatsApp Usage to Mitigate Misinformation Exposure During Elections: Evidence from a Multi-Country Experiment
		Rajeshwari Majumdar, Tiago Ventura, Shelley Liu, Carolina Torreblanca, Joshua A. Tucker
	2	Using Network Motifs to Detect Support for and Opposition to Populist Narratives at the Sub-sentence Level
		Valentina Gonzalez-Rostani, Bree Bang-Jensen, Michael Colaresi
		Discussant: Anjali Thomas

Panel 5B (White Hall 206):		
	1	Post-treatment problems: What can we say about the effect of a treatment among sub-groups who (would) respond in some way?
		Chad Hazlett, **Nina McMurry**, Tanvi Shinkre
	2	Mechanisms: Attribution and Inference
		Tara Slough, Scott Tyson
		Discussant: Shiyao Liu
Panel 5C (White Hall 207):		
	1	A latent-mixture model of strategy use in multi-attribute subjective choice: Application to conjoint experiments in political science
		Nidhi V Banavar, Kirk Bansak
	2	Causal Inference for Experiments with Latent Outcomes: Key Results and Their Implications for Design and Analysis
		Jiawei Fu, Donald P. Green
		Discussant: Libby Jenke
10:15-11:00 AM		
Poster Session 1 (Carlos Museum)		
11:00-11:45 AM		
Poster Session 2 (Carlos Museum)		
12:00-1:00 PM		
Business Meeting and Lunch (White Hall 208)		
1:00-2:30 PM		
Panel 6A (White Hall 205):		
	1	Detecting Racially Polarized Voting

		Thomas Chamberlain, Mayya Komisarchik, **Sidak Yntiso**
	2	How to Measure the Burdens of Voting
		Justin Grimmer, Eitan Hersh, Sean Westwood
		Discussant: Sunshine Hillygus
Panel 6B (White Hall 206):		
	1	Distilling heterogeneous treatment effects: Stable subgroup estimation in causal inference
		Melody Huang, Tiffany Tang, Ana Kenney
	2	Identification and Estimation of Treatment Effects from Network Data with Confounded Social Links
		Licheng Liu
		Discussant: Aaron Schein
Panel 6C (White Hall 207):		
	1	On the Foundations of the Design-Based Approach
		P.M. Aronow, Austin Jang, **Molly Offer-Westort**
	2	Optimal Policy Design under Unknown Interference
		Fei Fang, **Ye Wang**
		Discussant: Kirk Bansak
2:45-4:15 PM		
Panel 7A (White Hall 205):		
	1	An Ideal Point Modeling Approach to Measuring the Political Biases of Large Language Models
		Nouar Aldahoul, Matteo Varvello, **Aaron Kaufman**, Talal Rahwan, Yasir Zaki

	2	From Reddit to Congressional Hearings: A Study of Representation Using an Argument Extraction Method
		Ju Yeon Park, Arman Irani, Kevin Esterling, Michalis Faloutsos
		Discussant: Santiago Olivella
Panel 7B (White Hall 206):		
	1	New Spatial-Balance Models of Voting: Theorems and Econometric Implications suggesting New Interpretations of Existing Results about Policy Voting
		Henry E. Brady
	2	Constructing consensus ideal point estimates using multi-source data
		Melody Huang, **Mellissa Meisels**, Tiffany Tang
		Discussant: Scott Abramson
Panel 7C (White Hall 207):		
	1	Trajectory balancing: Higher-order pre-treatment balance for nonlinear factor models, short panels, and scale-invariance
		Sam Asher, Chad Hazlett, **Yiqing Xu**
	2	Benchmarking parallel trends violations in regression imputation difference-in-differences
		Zikai Li, **Anton Strezhnev**
		Discussant: David Hirshberg
4:30-5:15 PM		
Poster Session 3 (Carlos Museum)		
5:15-6:00 PM		
Poster Session 4 (Carlos Museum)		

Saturday, July 19		
8:30-10:00 AM		
Panel 8A (White Hall 205):		
	1	Durable Majority Gerrymanders: Where Partisan Gerrymandering can Displace Democracy
		Maxwell Palmer, **Benjamin Schneer**
	2	Measuring Policy-Level Positioning in U.S.Congressional Elections
		Colin R. Case, **Rachel Porter**
		Discussant: Pablo Montagnes
Panel 8B (White Hall 206):		
	1	Dynamic Bilinear Networks: Understanding Conflict and Cooperation
		Tosin Salau, **Shahryar Minhas**
	2	Optimal Subset for Text Analysis
		Naijia Liu, António Câmara, Natalie Ayers, Saki Kuzushima
		Discussant: Sunny Yang
Panel 8C (White Hall 207):		
	1	A Unified Approach for Assessing Sensitivity to Violations of Causal Assumptions
		Guilherme Duarte
	2	On the minimum strength of (unobserved) covariates to overturn an insignificant result
		Danielle Tsao, Ronan Perry, **Carlos Cinelli**
		Discussant: Matthew Blackwell
10:15-11:45 AM		

Panel 9A (White Hall 205):		
	1	Extracting Image, Voice, and Text Data from Local Public Meetings
		Mirya Holman, Andreas Küpfer, **Tyler Simko**
	2	Partisan Elections, Party Match, and Candidate Quality: Evidence from Partisan School Board Elections
		Daniel Thompson
		Discussant: Bryant Moy
Panel 9B (White Hall 206):		
	1	Understanding Events in Sequence: Reprisals Against Civilians in Nigeria
		Tosin Salau, **Andrew Halterman**
	2	Can Corruption Crackdowns Level the Playing Field for Business in Authoritarian Courts?
		Siyun Jiang
		Discussant: Tony Yang
Panel 9C (White Hall 207):		
	1	Unifying Measures of Partisan Polarization in the U.S. Congress
		Cassandra Handan-Nader
	2	Topic Models Estimators Are Statistically Inconsistent and Substantively Misleading: Evidence and Solutions
		Daniel Ebanks, Sara Kangaslahti
		Discussant: Kevin McAlister
OPTIONAL SHORT COURSE: Modern Difference-in-Differences Methods with Pedro Sant'Anna		
12:00-1:00 PM		
Lunch (only for participants registered for the short course)		

1:00-2:00 PM		
Short Course, Part 1 (White Hall 208)		
2:20-3:20 PM		
Short Course, Part 2 (White Hall 208)		
3:40-5:00 PM		
Short Course, Part 3 (White Hall 208)		

Poster Session 1					
Board	**Presenter**	**Title**	**Author(s)**	**Discussant**	
1	Melle Albada	Selective Testing in Regression Discontinuity Designs: An Evaluation of Testing Practices in Political Science	Melle R. Albada	Nina McMurry	
2	Matthew Allen	From Feelings to Filibusters: Quantifying Emotional Rhetoric in Congress	Matthew Allen	Colin Case	
3	Emily Anderson	Surprise Me! Using s-values in political science	Emily Anderson	Kosuke Imai	
4	Samuel Asher	Uncontested Races Down the Ballot: Problems and Solutions	Samuel G.Z. Asher	Han Zhang	
5	Tyler Rongxuan Chen	Ethnic Population Distribution and Pseudo Urban Effects: Evidence from Malaysia	Tyler Rongxuan Chen	Michael Bailey	
6	Andrés Cruz	Toward more informative robustness checks'	Andrés Cruz	Kosuke Imai	
7	Rex Weiye Deng	Screened Realities: How Entertainment Fosters Political Compliance in China	Rex Weiye Deng	Erin Hartman	
8	Kadir Cihan Duran	Interpreting Graph Neural Networks in Political Network Studies	Kadir Cihan Duran, Yubai Yuan, Bruce Desmarais	Erin Hartman	
9	Ekin Dursun	Inducing Emotions in Online Surveys: New Experimental Evidence	Ekin Dursun, Amanda Weiss	Rachel Porter	
10	Nguyen Ha	Migration Opportunities and Civilian Protests in Civil Wars	Thao-Nguyen Ha	Nina McMurry	
11	Austin Jang	Designing Adversarial Simulation Studies with Machine Learning Assistance	Austin Jang	Yiqing Xu	
12	Koo Fum Kim	Incorporating Semantic Information from Open-ended Response to Enhance Structured Survey Data	Koo Fum Kim	Michelle Torres	
13	Natalia Lamberova	War and Demand for Technology-driven Growth: Evidence from Ukraine	Natalia Lamberova, Vera Mironova	Erin Hartman	
14	Jefferson Leal	Mind the Context: Scaling Manifestos with Low-Dimensional and Attention-Based Embeddings	Jefferson Leal	Michelle Torres	
15	Hane Lee	Measuring Social Ties from Roll Call Votes: A Fused Latent Factor and Social Network Approach	Hane Lee, Andrew Davison, Zhiliang Ying	Colin Case	
16	Yimeng Li	Affective Polarization and Survey Responses	Yimeng Li	Yiqing Xu	
17	Shiyao Liu	Respondent-Driven Samplings for Vignette Experiments	Shiyao Liu	Sanford Gordon	
18	Mitsuru Mukaigawara	Spatiotemporal causal inference with arbitrary spillover and carryover effects	Mitsuru Mukaigawara, Kosuke Imai, Jason Lyall, Georgia Papadogeorgou	Michael Bailey	
19	Andrew Myers	Do Donors Punish Extremist Primary Nominees? Evidence from Congress and American State Legislatures	Andrew C. W. Myers	Colin Case	
20	Kentaro Nakamura	Representation-Powered Inference for the Unstructured Data: Application to Text-as-Outcome	Kentaro Nakamura	Jacob Montgomery	
21	Kyungtae Park	Effect Heterogeneity across Treatments in Linear Models	Kyungtae Park	Nina McMurry	
22	Jeremy Siow	Who's at the Cutoff? Characterizing Analytical Samples in Regression Discontinuity Designs\	Bryant J. Moy, Jeremy Siow	Jacob Montgomery	
23	Yuehong Cassandra Tai	Divided Platforms, Divided Stances: State Legislators' Climate Communication Amid Industry and Public Pressures	Yuehong Cassandra Tai, Xun Cao, Yu-Ru Lin, and Bruce A. Desmarais	Rachel Porter	
24	Georgy Tarasenko	Using AI to Explain Classifiers: A Framework and Application to Text-Based Experimental Outcomes	Mikhail Galashin, Georgy Tarasenko	Michael Bailey	

25	Garrett Vande Kamp	Problems and Solutions for Measurement Error in Spatial Regression Models	Garrett N. Vande Kamp, Brandon Decker	Kosuke Imai	
26	Erin Walk	Attack Rhetoric and Strategy by U.S. Politicians	Erin Walk, Yphtach Lelkes, Sean Westwood	Yiqing Xu	
27	Chendi Wang	Print and Post: Comparing Political Campaign in Traditional and Social Media	Chendi Wang, Ofra Klein	Sanford Gordon	
28	Wanting Wang	Modeling Time-to-Persuasion: A Survival Analysis of Multi-Round Online Political Discussions	Wanting Wang, Haoran Shi	Jacob Montgomery	
29	Wenhui Yang	Measuring Incumbency Advantage in Mixed Electoral System – Evidence from the House of Representatives Elections in Japan-	Wenhui Yang	Naijia Liu	

Poster Session 2				
Board	**Presenter**	**Title**	**Author(s)**	**Discussant**
1	Natalie Ayers	Urban Intergroup Integration and Post-Conflict Recovery	Natalie Ayers	Andrew Halterman
2	Jongyoon Baik	Supreme Guide to Attitude: Vocal Pitch and Emotions in North Korean TV News	Jongyoon Baik, Haohan Chen, Yiqiang Wang	Daniel Hopkins
3	Elissa Berwick	The trouble with cohorts: Reevaluating Age-Period-Cohort GAMs in the Case of Democratic Attitudes	Elissa Berwick, John Hicks, Danielle Bohonos, Dietlind Stolle	Daniel Hopkins
4	Saloni Bhogale	Estimating Treatment Effect Heterogeniety with Varying Coefficients and Bayesian Tree Ensembles	Saloni Bhogale, Sameer Deshpande	Mellissa Meisels
5	Adam Bouyamourn	Where to Experiment? Selecting Sites Optimal for the PATE and CATE	Adam Bouyamourn	Anton Strezhnev
6	Angelo Dagonel	Legislative Agenda Setting in the American Immigration Bureaucracy, 1965-2020	Angelo Dagonel	Cory McCartan
7	Amreeta Das	Decoding Campaign Microtargeting with Computer Vision: Evidence from India	Amreeta Das	Jason Anastasopoulos
8	Eric Dobbie	Where Police Live: Assessing the Effect of Police Residency Requirements on Severe Use-of-Force	Eric Dobbie	Daniel Hopkins
9	Hye Ryeon Jang	Examining Polling Location Changes After The Shelby County Decision: How a Lack of Federal Oversight Impacts Poll Accessibility in Black and Brown Communities	Kyshan Nichols-Smith, Myles Ndiritu, Amari Gray, and Hye Ryeon Jang	Aaron Kaufman
10	Sky Kunkel	UN-certainty: Revisiting Quantitative Findings on Peacekeeping Effectiveness	Sky Kunkel	Ted Enamorado
11	Zikai Li	Building Climate Coalitions Through Place-based Policies? A Two-Dimensional Regression Discontinuity Design	Zikai Li	Mellissa Meisels
12	Ruofan Ma	Dynamic Bipartite Mixed Membership Blockmodel Regression for Network Data: Application to State and Intergovernmental Organization Networks	Imai, Liu, Ma, Olivella	Sidak Yntiso
13	Kelsey Martin-Morales	Rethinking Democratic Backsliding: Advancing Event-Based Measurement of Regime Contraction with Large Language Models	Kelsey Martin-Morales, Matthew C. Wilson	Jacob Brown
14	Albert Chiu	An Estimator-Agnostic Algorithm for Identifying Interpretable Subgroups with Elevated Treatment Effects	Albert Chiu	Cory McCartan
15	Quynh-Anh Nguyen	The Political Economy of Exchange Rate Valuation: The Role of Geographic Concentration in Export-Oriented Industries	Quynh-Anh Nguyen	Ye Wang
16	Chloe Prendergast	Art Attack: Sectarian Murals and Segregation in Northern Ireland	Chloe Prendergast	Ye Wang
17	Matthias Roesti	A Computational Approach to Detect Strategic and Political Opportunism	Matthias Roesti	Cory McCartan
18	Audrey Sachleben	Personal Appeals and Legislative Follow-Through	Audrey Sachleben	Aaron Kaufman
19	Haoran Shi	Issue-Driven Changes, Identity-Driven States: Nature of British Partisanship using Explainable Machine Learning	Haoran Shi, Wanting Wang, Dario Krpan	Ted Enamorado
20	Sooahn Shin	Difference-in-differences Design with Outcomes Missing Not at Random	Sooahn Shin	Jason Anastasopoulos
21	Clareta Treger	Changing the Lens: The contingency of results from conjoint experiments on the outcome variable and the estimand	Clareta Treger	Jacob Brown
22	Yinxuan Wang	Unsupervised Clustering of Political Texts by Syntactic and Semantic Features: A BERT-Based Approach	Yinxuan Wang	Mellissa Meisels
23	Amanda Weiss	Negative Content Causes Survey-Taker Resentment, Not Panel Attrition	Amanda Weiss	Cyrus Samii

24	Li-Hong Weng	Distinguishing Threats to Accountability under Democratic Erosion: A Supervised Learning Approach to Text Data	Li-Hong Weng	Sidak Yntiso	
25	Ahra Wu	Understanding the Development of West European Countries' International Security Policy from their National Parliamentary Speeches	Ahra Wu	Jason Anastasopoulos	
26	Masateru Yamatani	Spatio-Temporal Multilevel Regression with Post-stratification	Masateru Yamatani	Sidak Yntiso	
27	Hongyu Yu	Large Language Models as Probabilistic Survey Respondents	Hongyu Yu	Aaron Kaufman	
28	Yongjai Yu	Different structures in texts need different models: Appropriate method to analyze statutory texts	Yongjai Yu, Eunseong Oh (Co-first)	Cyrus Samii	
29	Bahar Zafer	Favor Exchange between Government and Media Owners	Bahar Zafer	Andrew Halterman	
30	Shuli Zhang	Price for "Saying One Thing Abroad but Another at Home" in a Politically Polarized Context	Shuli Zhang	Andrew Halterman	

Poster Session 3					
Board	**Presenter**	**Title**	**Author(s)**	**Discussant**	
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2	Amaan Charaniya	Payoffs of Peace: Public Opinion of Settled Territorial Disputes	Amaan Charaniya	Josh McCrain	
3	Marli Dunietz	Voting in the Dark	Marli Dunietz	Ju Yeon Park	
4	Licheng Liu	Dynamic Causal Effects of Network Ties: Application to Lobbying Networks	Naoki Egami, In Song Kim, and Licheng Liu	Dean Knox	
5	Joe Higton	Supervised learning with contested concepts	Paige Bollen, Joe Higton, Melissa Sands	Thomas Cao	
6	Md Mujahedul Islam	Blurring Boundaries? Reassessing the Relationships between Trust, Civic Engagement, and Democratic Attitudes Through a Multi-Method Study	Md Mujahedul Islam and Md Muhibbur Rahman	Thomas Cao	
7	Libby Jenke	Excludability is a Matter of Research Design: How to Conduct Credible Indirect Manipulations	Libby Jenke, Donald Green	Melody Huang	
8	Soyeon Jeon	Transformer-based Vision Language Model for Image and Text Data in Political Science	Soyeon Jeon	Cassandra Handan-Nader	
9	Naiyu Jiang	Market-dominant Minority as Middleman: How Chinese investment influences ethnic relations in Malaysia	Naiyu Jiang	Shahryar Minhas	
10	Nihan Karagul	Political Foundations of Uneven Damage in Turkey's Earthquake	Nihan Karagul	Shahryar Minhas	
11	Kirill Kazantcev	Border Preferences in Militarized Conflicts: Experimental Evidence on Territorial Bargaining	Kirill Kazantcev	Dean Knox	
12	Shiro Kuriwaki	Identification and Estimation of Conditional Means from Aggregate Data	Shiro Kuriwaki, Cory McCartan	Zeyang Yu	
13	Diana Da In Lee	Quantifying Electoral Competitiveness in Multi-Racial Elections	Yuki Atsusaka, Diana Da In Lee, Hane Lee	Josh McCrain	
14	Yen-Chieh Liao	Dynamic and Multilingual Embedding Regression for Political Text	Yen-Chieh Liao, Winnie Xia, and Slava Jankin	Josh McCrain	
15	Qi Liu	The Scope Expansion of International Organizations: Evidence from Job Postings Data	Qi Liu	Melody Huang	
16	Ziyi Liu	Honest Inferece wtih Imputation Estimators	Ziyi Liu, Yiqing Xu	Jiawei Fu	
17	Janet Malzahn	Do partisans sort along climate risk?	Janet Malzahn	Daniel Thompson	
18	Eunseong Oh	Analyzing Political Videos of Megadonors: CLIP Model	Eunseong Oh, Yongjai Yu (co-first)	Dean Knox	
19	Tiago Peterlevitz	Beyond Text: How Deepfake Images Amplify Treatment Strength and Challenge Information Equivalence in Survey Experiments	Tiago Peterlevitz	Ju Yeon Park	
20	Annamaria Prati	Why not both? Combining human and LLM labels in event data	Annamaria Prati	Cassandra Handan-Nader	
21	Abhinav Ramaswamy	Reinforcement Learning: Do Politicians Optimize for Engagement on Twitter?	Abhinav Ramaswamy, Michael Bailey	Thomas Cao	
22	Donald Snyder	Bread and Circuses: Measuring Information Density and its Impact on Digital Media Engagement	Donald Snyder, Janel Jett, Erin Hennes	Daniel Thompson	
23	Daniel Stegmueller	Identifying differential item functioning in survey responses. A stochastic search variable selection ordinal IRT model	Daniel Stegmueller	Melody Huang	
24	Graham Straus	Exploring Partisan Segregation with Network Analysis	Graham Straus	Daniel Thompson	
25	Alexander Tripp	Conditioned Contact: The Differential Impacts of Increasing Immigration on Local Public Opinion	Alexander Tripp	Cassandra Handan-Nader	
26	Jessie Trudeau	Worksite sampling: an underused but practical tool to sample hard-to-reach populations in political science	Jessie Trudeau	Benjamin Schneer	

27	Clayton Webb	Mind Your Bumps and Wiggles	Suzanna Linn, Clayton Webb, Shahnaz Parsaeiean, Quincy Julian Houghton Clarke, Christine Sememiuk	Benjamin Schneer	
28	Sunny Yang	Multimodal Analysis of US-China Media on Ukraine-Russia Conflict	Hunjun Shin	Shahryar Minhas	
29	Han Zhang	Beyond Text: Exploring the Potential and Pitfalls of AI-Generated Multimedia in Survey Experiments	Han Zhang	Ju Yeon Park	

Poster Session 4				
Board	**Presenter**	**Title**	**Author(s)**	**Discussant**
1	Ivan Aleksandrov	Peacetime Propaganda and Wartime Violence: Evidence from the War in Bosnia	Ivan Aleksandrov	Varun Karekurve Ramachandra
2	Joao Alipio-Correa	Synthetic Control Method under Spatial Interference: Detecting and Correcting Bias	Joao Alipio-Correa	Guoer Liu
3	Jason Anastasopoulos	Mapping the Temporal Evolution of Causal Effects	Jason Anastasopoulos, Inkyu Kang	Matthew Tyler
4	Liam Bethlendy	Scaling Challengers	Liam Bethlendy	James Bisbee
5	Sima Biondi	State-building as redistribution: how information shapes local inequality	Sima Biondi	Guoer Liu
6	Thomas Cao	When U.S. Liberals Demand More Censorship	Thomas Cao	Guoer Liu
7	Haotian Chen	How Partisan are American Corporate Elites?	Haotian Chen	Molly Offer-Westort
8	Josh McCrain	Attention Checks: Challenges, Trade Offs, and Best Practices	Kaylyn Jackson Schiff, Daniel Schiff, Josh McCrain, Bryant Moy, Ian Adams, Scott Mourtgos, Cecilia Bisogno, Colin McAulliffe	Isaac Mehlhaff
9	Ransi Clark	Democratic Peace : Piece-by-Piece	Ransi Clark, Jonathan N. Katz	Will Hobbs
10	Austin Cutler	Party Cues or Group Sympathy? How Perceived Group Support Shapes Policy Beliefs	Austin Lloyd Cutler	Justin Grimmer
11	Martin Devaux	Are Experimental Results Heterogeneous Across Countries? Lessons from Thirty Multi-Country Experiments in Political Science	Martin Devaux, Naoki Egami	Eddie Yang
12	Chi Shun Fong	Visual as emotions: a (visual) LLM approach to study images and texts of social media messages from the 2019 Hong Kong Protest	Chi Shun Fong, King Wa Fu	James Bisbee
13	Will Hobbs	Practical Machine Learning Tools for Studying Treatment Effect Heterogeneity with Text: with application to chatbot interventions and survey experiments	Will Hobbs	Carlos Cinelli
14	Jingtian Hu	Causal Inference with Multimodal Unstructured Treatments: Synthetic UNGA Speech Videos On Border Anxiety	Jingtian Hu; Xun Pang	Eddie Yang
15	Sekou Jabateh	The Impact of Cross-Ethnic Monetary Transfers on Prejudice and Discrimination: A Field Experiment in Post-Conflict Liberia	Joan Barcelo, Sekou Jabateh	Matthew Tyler
16	Diana Jordan	Does the Medium Change the Message? Topics and Context In Five Venues of Congressional Communication	Diana Jordan; Nathan Barron; Jon Green; Rachel Blum; Kelsey Shoub	Justin Grimmer
17	Christopher Kenny	Unpacking how redistricting commissions lead to fairer plans	Christopher T. Kenny	Daniel Stegmueller
18	Jerry Min	Strategic Stability: How Government Ideology Shapes Financial Regulation	Jerry Min	Daniel Stegmueller
19	Donald Moratz	The Rate, Composition and Volume Decomposition: A Zero-Loss Approach to Studying Electoral and Compositional Shifts	Moratz, Donald	Justin Grimmer
20	Sophie Sunderland	Causal Inference with Image Treatments and Confounders	Sophie Sunderland, Marco Morucci	Isaac Mehlhaff
21	Aleksandra Rumiantseva	We Apologize for your Train Delay: The Effect of Infrastructural Failures on Voting for Far-right Parties	Aleksandra Rumiantseva	Varun Karekurve Ramachandra
22	Franziska Schultz	Developing methods to incorporate states' perspectives into the Goldstein conflict-cooperation scale for event data to improve context-sensitive measurement of international relations	Franziska Schultz, Li Zhang	Emily Ritter
23	Hongyi She	Biased Information Acquisition and Individual Trade Preference Formation	Hongyi She	Matthew Tyler
24	Yuki Shiraito	Event Study using Surveys	Jieun Oh, Guoer Liu, Yusaku Horiuchi, and Yuki Shiraito	James Bisbee
25	Soichiro Yamauchi	Statistical Analysis with ML and LLM Generated Data	Hiroto Katsumata, Soichiro Yamauchi	Molly Offer-Westort
26	Drew Stommes	Ethics and Randomization in Social Science Research	Tara Slough; Drew Stommes	Carlos Cinelli

27	Julieta Valenzuela Correa	Women's Movements, Identities, and Appeals: How to Motivate Participation?	Julieta Valenzuela Correa	Varun Karekurve Ramachandra	
28	Ethan vanderWilden	A license to embrace history? Authoritarian nostalgia amid radical right normalization	Ethan vanderWilden	Molly Offer-Westort	
29	Teppei Yamamoto	Using Conjoint Tasks for Voting Advice Applications	Airo Hino, Teppei Yamamoto	Carlos Cinelli	
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Keynote Talk: Next Generation DiD, by Eric Tchetgen Tchetgen

Abstract: Difference-in-differences (DiD) is a popular method to evaluate treatment effects of real-world policy interventions. The canonical DiD model presumes pre- and post-treatment measurements of a continuous outcome are available, and relies on a key parallel trends assumption, that, on average, the change in the treatment-free potential outcome in the treated group over time is equal to that in the control group. Several approaches have recently developed under alternative identifying parallel trends assumptions. However, these approaches suffer from several limitations, either (i) they only apply to continuous outcomes and the average treatment effect on the treated, or (ii) they depend on the scale of the outcome, or (iii) they assume the absence of unmeasured confounding given pre-treatment covariate and outcome measurements, or (iv) they lack semiparametric efficiency theory. In this talk, I will describe some recent contributions to the DiD literature, which consist of two parts: In Part I, we revisit the groundbreaking Change-in-Changes (CiC) model of Athey and Imbens (2006), for which, we establish nonparametric identification under a novel set of assumptions that permit high-dimensional unmeasured confounders, outcome measurement error, and non-monotonic relationships between confounders and outcomes, three key complications which they rule out in their original work. Furthermore, we construct semiparametric efficient CiC estimators that are Neyman orthogonal to infinite-dimensional nuisance parameters, facilitating valid inference even in the presence of high-dimensional continuous covariates and flexible machine learning-based nuisance functions estimation. In part II of the talk, we further address limitation (i) shared by both DiD and CiC, and we develop an alternative framework for causal identification and inference that satisfies (i)-(iv), making it universally applicable, unlike existing DiD and CiC methods. Key to our framework is an odds ratio equi-confounding (OREC) assumption, which states that the generalized odds ratio relating treatment and treatment-free potential outcome is stable across pre- and post-treatment periods. Notably, the generalized odds ratio function is well-defined nonparametrically, for any outcome type, whether discrete or continuous. Under OREC, we develop consistent, asymptotically linear, and semiparametric efficient estimators that leverage modern learning technologies, of several types of treatment effects on the treated, including nonlinear causal effects such as median treatment effects and other distributional causal effects. Our methods are illustrated with two important applications in biomedical and social sciences.

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