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Curriculum Vitae
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2023–present Associate Professor, Graduate School of Humanities, Nagoya University
2020–23 Lecturer (permanent), Faculty of Humanities, Fukuoka University
2018–20 British Academy Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Faculty of Philosophy,
University of Oxford
2016–18 Overseas Research Fellow of Japan Society for the Promotion of Science
(JSPS), Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge
2015 Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Ancient Philosophy (‘Power Structuralism in
Ancient Ontologies’ Project), Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford

EDUCATION

- 2015 **PhD** in ancient philosophy, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge
2011 Visiting Student, School of Historical and Philosophical Studies, Faculty of
Arts, University of Melbourne (Jul. –Sep.)
2010 Visiting Student, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge (Apr. –Jul.)
2009 **MA** in ancient philosophy, Graduate School of Letters, Kyoto University
2007 **BA** in philosophy, Faculty of Integrated Human Studies, Kyoto University

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS and AWARDS

- 2023–28 JSPS Grant-in Aid for Young Scientists (¥3,600,000): ‘Inquiry into
Definitions and its Epistemological Bases in Ancient Philosophy—An
Investigation into Perception and Innatism’
2021–23 JSPS Grant-in-Aid for Research Activity Start-up (¥2,860,000): ‘A Study on
the Relation between Ancient Greek Geometrical Analysis and Plato's
Philosophical Methods’
2018–20 British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship (£260,449.55): ‘The Ancient Origin
of Analytic Methods’
2018–20 Junior Research Fellowship, Wolfson College, Oxford (non-stipendiary)
2016–18 JSPS Overseas Research Fellowship (¥10,512,000): ‘A Study on the First
Principles of Sciences in Western Ancient Thought’
2016–18 Research Fellowship, Clare Hall, Cambridge (non-stipendiary)
2011–14 Doctoral Scholarship of Japan Student Services Organization (full support)
2009–11 JSPS Doctoral Research Fellowship (DC1) (¥7,000,000): ‘Poetry and Craft:
Plato’s Theory of Rhetoric and Mimesis’

- 2011 Research Travel Grant (Kyoto Erasmus Programme) for visiting the University of Melbourne (¥520,000): ‘Social Justice and Individual Happiness: the Philosophers in Plato’s *Republic*’
- 2010 Research Travel Grant (JSPS Excellent Young Researcher Overseas Visit Program) for visiting the University of Cambridge (¥784,080): ‘Poetry and Craft: Plato’s Theory of Rhetoric and Mimesis’
- 2009 Total exemption from returning a student loan for the Master’s course in honour of an outstanding achievement (¥2,112,000)

PUBLICATIONS

I. Journal Articles

- 2023, ‘Aristotle’s Concepts of Analysis’ (in Japanese), *Journal of Classical Studies*, vol. 70.
- 2021, ‘Socrates’ First Voyage in the *Phaedo*’, *History of Philosophy & Logical Analysis*, vol. 24, issue 2, pp. 243–67.
- 2021, ‘Aristotle on Geometrical Potentialities’, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, vol. 59, issue 3, pp. 371–97.
- 2020, ‘The Attunement Theory of the Soul in the *Phaedo*’, *JASCA (Japan Studies in Classical Antiquity)*, vol. 4, pp. 35–52.
- 2018, ‘Plato’s Recollection Argument in the *Philebus*’, *Rhizomata*, vol. 6, issue 2, pp. 189–212.
- 2016, ‘Plato’s Hypothetical Inquiry in the *Meno*’, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, vol. 24, issue 2, pp. 194–214.
- 2015, ‘Plato on Geometrical Hypothesis in the *Meno*’, *Apeiron*, vol. 48, issue 1, pp. 1–19.
- 2010, ‘An introduction to Craft Analogy: on the Problem of *Techne* and Value in Plato’s *Republic* 1 and *Gorgias*’ (in Japanese), *Methodos: Journal for Ancient Philosophy*, vol. 42, pp. 31–48.
- 2010, ‘Individuality and Universality of Knowledge: On the Concept of the Object of *Techne* and *Dynamis* in Plato’s Early and Middle Dialogues’ (in Japanese), *Hypothesis: Proceedings of the Department of Ancient Philosophy at Kyoto University*, vol. 15, pp. 26–50.
- 2008, ‘Poetry and Craft: An Interpretation of Plato’s *Ion* 532c5–d3’ (in Japanese), *Methodos: Journal for Ancient Philosophy*, vol. 40, pp. 45–60.

II. Book Reviews

- 2019, Catherine Rowett, *Knowledge and Truth in Plato: Stepping Past the Shadow of Socrates*, *Classical Review*, vol. 69, issue 1, pp. 56–8.
- 2017, David Bronstein, *Aristotle on Knowledge and Learning: The Posterior Analytics*, *Ancient Philosophy*, vol. 37, issue 2, pp. 467–71.
- 2017, Hugh H. Benson, *Clitophon’s Challenge: Dialectic in Plato’s Meno, Phaedo, and Republic*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, vol. 25, issue 1, pp. 200–2.
- 2011, Catalin Partenie (ed.), *Plato’s Myths*, *Journal of Classical Studies*, vol. 59, pp. 167–70, (in Japanese).
- 2009, Book Review of T. Nakazawa, *Socrates and Philosophia*, *Methodos: A Journal for Ancient Philosophy*, vol. 41, pp. 48–53, (in Japanese).

III. Other Publications

- 2017, Japanese Translation of Lindsay Judson, ‘Hylomorphism, Teleology and Zeno’s Paradoxes in Aristotle’s *Physics*’, Appendix Leaflet to Aristotle’s *Physics* in *New Complete Works of Aristotle* (in Japanese), Iwanami-shoten, Tokyo.
- 2016, Japanese Translation of the entries ‘Good’ and ‘Neoplatonism’ in *New Dictionary of the History of Ideas*, Maruzen, Tokyo.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

I. Conferences and Workshops (* indicates refereed ones)

- 2023, ‘Some Possible Uses of AI Chatbots for Research in Classical Studies’, 73rd Annual Conference of the Classical Society of Japan, Saitama, June.
- 2023, ‘Qualia and Perception in Ancient Philosophy’, Symposium ‘How the World is Made of Time’, Fukuoka, March
- 2023, ‘Geometrical Analysis and Plato’s Methods’, 1st Workshop of Ancient Philosophy Network in Japan, Tokyo, February.
- *2022, ‘What is the Process of Division for?’, Symposium XIII of the International Plato Society, University of Gorgia, July.
- 2022, ‘The Paradox of Inquiry into Definitions and Plato’s Theory of Recollection’ (in Japanese), Ancient Philosophy Lecture Series, Nagoya University, June.
- *2022, ‘Aristotle’s Concepts of Analysis’ (in Japanese), 72th Annual Conference of the Classical Society of Japan, Kyoto, June.
- *2020, ‘The Paradox of Inquiry and the Theory of Recollection’ (in Japanese), The Philosophical Association of Western Japan: 71st Annual Conference, December (remotely presented).
- *2020, ‘Plato and Geometrical Analysis’, *Greek Geometrical Analysis: Problems and Prospects*, Clermont Auvergne, March (remotely presented).
- 2020, ‘The Recollection Argument in the *Phaedo*’, History of Philosophy Colloquia, Utrecht, February.
- 2019, ‘Collection and Division in the *Phaedrus*’, Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Oxford, December.
- 2019, ‘Collection and Division in the *Sophist*’, Workshop on Plato’s Method of Collection and Division, Oxford, September.
- 2019, ‘Collection and Division and the Method of Hippocrates in Plato’s *Phaedrus*’, Ancient Philosophy Seminar, Tokyo, March.
- 2019, ‘Recollection and the Theory of Forms in the *Phaedo*’, (in Japanese), Ancient Philosophy Forum (Ilissus Seminar), Kyoto, March.
- 2019, ‘Socrates’ First Voyage in the *Phaedo*’, Ancient Philosophy Mini-conference, Oxford, March.
- *2019, ‘Collection and Division and the Method of Hippocrates in Plato’s *Phaedrus*’, 42nd Annual Ancient Philosophy Workshop, San Antonio, Texas, March.
- *2018, ‘Socrates’ First Voyage in the *Phaedo*’, 4th Canadian Colloquium for Ancient Philosophy, Montréal, October.
- 2018, ‘Aristotle on Geometry and Potentiality: *Metaphysics* Θ9, 1051a21–33’, Ancient Philosophy Mini-conference, Oxford, June.
- *2018, ‘Collection and Division and the Method of Hippocrates in Plato’s *Phaedrus*’, *Platonic Dialectic—Inquiring Into the Nature of Things*, Bergen, June.
- 2017, ‘The Theory of Recollection in the *Philebus*’ (in Japanese), workshop in commemoration of Prof. Masashi Nakahata’s sixtieth birthday, Kyoto, September.

- *2017, 'Aristotle on Geometry and Potentiality' (in Japanese), The Philosophical Association of Japan: 76th Annual Conference, Tokyo, May.
- *2017, 'The Generation of Desire: Plato's *Philebus* and *Timaeus*', *Emotions in Plato: Joint Workshops in Ancient Theories of Soul and Knowledge* at the University of Edinburgh and Université Paris-Nanterre, Paris, March.
- *2017, 'Socrates' Criticism of Material Causes in the *Phaedo*', 11th London Ancient Science Conference, London, February.
- 2016, 'Aristotle on Geometry and Disposition: *Metaphysics* Θ9, 1051a21–33', The Visiting Speakers Seminar for the Power Structuralism in Ancient Ontologies project, Oxford, May.
- 2015, 'The Recollection Argument in the *Phaedo*', Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Oxford, October.
- *2015, 'Collection and Division and the Method of Hippocrates in Plato's *Phaedrus*', Atelier International de la Société d'Etudes Platoniciennes, Paris, June.
- 2015, 'Plato's Upward Path in the *Republic*', International conference for young researchers, *A New Perspective on Plato and his Philosophical Methods*, Kyoto, March.
- *2015, 'The Generation of Desire: Plato's *Philebus* and *Timaeus*', 9th London Ancient Science Conference, London, February.
- *2014, 'Philolaus and the Attunement Theory in Plato's *Phaedo*', International Association for Presocratic Studies Fourth Biennial Conference, Thessaloniki, June.
- *2014, 'Plato on Geometrical Hypothesis in the *Meno*', *Revolutions and Continuity in Greek Mathematics*, London, May.
- 2014, 'Recollection and the Theory of Forms in the *Phaedo*', Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Cambridge, March.
- *2014, 'Plato on Geometrical Hypothesis in the *Meno*', 8th London Ancient Science Conference, London, February.
- 2013, 'Equal Necessity in Plato's *Phaedo* 76e–77a', Paris-Cambridge seminar, Cambridge, April.
- *2013, 'Plato's Analogy between the Form of the Good and the Sun', Classical Association Annual Conference, London, April.
- 2012, 'Socrates' First Voyage in the *Phaedo*', Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Cambridge, December.
- 2012, 'Syrianus on Aristotle's *Metaphysics* 13–14' (in Japanese), Japanese Society for Neoplatonic Studies, Osaka, September.
- 2012, 'Plato's Form of the Good and other Forms' (in Japanese), Ancient Philosophy Forum (Ilissus Seminar), Kyoto, September.
- 2012, 'Plato's Form of the Good and other Forms: the Simile of the Sun', Graduate Interdisciplinary Seminar, Cambridge, May.
- 2011, 'Social Justice and Individual Happiness: the Philosophers in Plato's *Republic*', Workshop for the Kyoto Erasmus Program, Melbourne, August.
- *2010, 'Analysis of the Objects: Plato's Epistemology in *Republic* V', International Plato Society, Tokyo, August.
- 2010, 'An introduction to Craft Analogy: on the Problem of *Techne* and Value in Plato's *Republic* 1 and *Gorgias*' (in Japanese), The Society of Ancient Philosophy, Kyoto, July.
- 2010, 'Individuality and Universality of Knowledge: On the Concept of the Object of *Techne* and *Dynamis* in Plato's Early and Middle Dialogues' (in Japanese), a meeting for a joint review of *HYPOTHESIS* 15, Kyoto, March.
- 2008, 'Poetry and Craft: An Interpretation of Plato's *Ion* 532c5–d3' (in Japanese), The Society of Ancient Philosophy, Kyoto, July.

II. Commentaries and Responses

- 2021, Commentary on Kentaro Sakai, *Aristotle's Theory of Knowledge* (in Japanese), Book Review Event, Online, March.
- 2017, Commentary on Anna Marmodoro, *Everything in Everything: Anaxagoras's Metaphysics*, Book at Lunchtime, Oxford, May.
- 2016, Response to T. Longo, 'Back to the Origins of Ethics: Archelaus on *to dikaion*', Graduate Conference entitled *Archai and Geneseis: Theorising Origins in Ancient Philosophy*, Cambridge, March.
- 2014, Response to E. Saldaña, 'Reason, Charms, and Appearances in Plato', Graduate Conference entitled *Approaching Ancient Philosophy*, Cambridge, March.
- 2013, Response to K. Kravaritis, 'The Metaphysics of Names, Explanation, and Understanding in Plato's *Cratylus*', Graduate Conference entitled *First Principles, Cause, and Explanation in Ancient Philosophy*, Cambridge, April.
- 2012, Response to Y. Suzuki, 'The Underlying Paradox of Plato's *Meno*, 80d5-e5: A conflict between Gorgias' Rhetoric and Socratic dialectic', Graduate Conference entitled *Truth, Falsehood and Deception in Ancient Philosophy*, Cambridge, April.
- 2010, Response to Y. Tanaka, 'The Third Argument in Socrates' Refutation of Thrasymachus' (in Japanese), Meeting for *HYPOTHESIS: The Proceedings of the Department of Ancient Philosophy at Kyoto University*, Kyoto, March.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Nagoya University

Lectures:

- History of Ancient Philosophy (2023–)
- Introduction to Epistemology (2023–)
- Intermediate English (2023)

Seminars:

- Philosophy Seminar (Discussion for Theses) (2023–)
- Plato's *Hippias Major* in Greek (2023)
- Aristotle's *De Anima* Book 2 in Greek (2023)

Fukuoka University

Lectures:

- History of Ancient Philosophy (2020–2022)
- Ancient Greek (2020–22)
- Critical Thinking (2020–22)

Seminars:

- Plato's *Republic* in translation (2020)
- Plato's *Phaedo* in translation (2020, 2021)
- Plato's *Symposium* in translation (2021)
- Marcus Aurelius: *Meditations* in translation (2021)
- Aristotle's *Nicomachean Ethics* in translation (2022)
- Plato's *Crito* in Greek (2022)

Kyushu University

- Lectures: History of Ancient Philosophy (2021)

Kyoto University

Lectures: Analytic Methods in Ancient Philosophy (2021)

University of Oxford

Lectures:

Aristotle's Philosophy of Science (Summer 2018)

Introduction to Aristotle (Spring 2019)

Graduate supervision:

MSt thesis on Plato (Summer 2019)

Tutorials:

Plato: *Republic* (in translation) (×2 Summer 2018)

Aristotle: *Nicomachean Ethics* (in Greek) (Autumn 2018)

Lucretius: *De Rerum Natura* IV (in Latin) (Autumn 2018; revisions, Spring 2019)

Staff and Educational Development Association Professional Development Framework Supporting Learning Award, University of Oxford (March 2019).

University of Cambridge

Graduate lecture (one-off): Plato's Theory of Forms (Summer 2014)

PUBLIC LECTURES and TALKS

2022, Trial Lecture: 'Is an undetected crime just?', Fukuoka Municipal High School and Fukuoka University joint programme, December.

2021, Trial Lecture: 'Ancient Philosophy as the Origin of Philosophy', Trial Lecture for Wakaba High School Affiliated with Fukuoka University, October.

2020, Trial Lecture 'Weakness of Will in Ancient Greek Philosophy', Fukuoka University Open Campus 2020, August (video recording).

2019, Guest Talk: 'Weakness of Will in Ancient Greek Philosophy', President's Seminar, Wolfson College, Oxford, May.

2017, Guest Talk: 'The Ancient Origin of Analytic Methods', 3 Slide Talks, Clare Hall, Cambridge, October.

2016, Guest Talk: 'Aristotle's Philosophy of Science', Clare Hall Colloquium, Cambridge, October.

2016, Guest Talk: 'The Philosophy of Socrates', UCL-Japan Young Challenge programme, Cambridge, July.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

I. Academic Refereeing

A. Book

Routledge

B. Journal Articles

Ancient Philosophy (2), *Apeiron* (2), *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *Classical Quarterly*, *Dialogoi*, *JASCA (Japan Studies in Classical Antiquity)*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Mediterranean Review*, *Méthexis*, *Methodos*, *Polis*, *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*

II. Conferences and Workshops Organized

- 2019 Plato's Method of Collection and Division, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford, September.
- 2015 *A New Perspective on Plato and his Philosophical Methods*, Graduate School of Letters, Kyoto University, March (with Ikko Tanaka).
- 2013 *First Principles, Cause, and Explanation in Ancient Philosophy*, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge, April (with Benjamin Harriman).
- 2012–14 Ancient Philosophy Workshops, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge.

III. Others

- 2023– Board Member of Philosophical Association in Nagoya University
- 2023– Editorial Board of *JASCA (Japan Studies in Classical Antiquity)*
- 2023 Judge in humanities and gender studies for 8th High School International Symposium, organized by Glocal Academy, Kagoshima, February.
- 2022 Judge in humanities and gender studies for 7th High School International Symposium, organized by Glocal Academy, Kagoshima, February
- 2021– Editorial Board of *Annual Review of the Philosophical Association of Western Japan*
- 2013–17 Speaker for briefings in the University of Cambridge for Japanese high school students who wish to study abroad, Nanao High School (Oct. 2013), Aichi super science high schools (Mar. 2014, Mar. 2017), Asahigaoka High School (Jul. 2016, Jul. 2017)
- 2013–14 Secretary of the B club, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge
- 2012–13 Treasurer of the B club, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge
- 2011–12 Speaker/Panellist for briefings for Japanese university students who wish to study abroad, Tokyo University (Dec. 2011), Kyoto University (Dec. 2012), Osaka University (Dec. 2012)
- 2009–10 Secretary of the Society of Ancient Philosophy (in Japan)
- 2007–9 Treasurer of the Society of Ancient Philosophy (in Japan)