

# **Explaining the Heterogenous Effect of Internet on Elections: Evidence from France**

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## *Abstract :*

The paper estimates the effect of Internet availability at the municipality level on the electoral performance of the candidates to the French presidential elections. I separate the effect of mobile and stationary internet (respectively through 3G and ADSL). Applying the generalized random forest (Athey et al. 2019) algorithm to estimate the treatment effect allows to describe the effect both as a function of the candidates political platforms and the municipality's characteristics.