## Profile of Toshihito Ishida

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What introduced me to the Astrophysics?

In the lower grade of the elementary school, I read a book on the constellations and the myth of them, and interested in them. After that, I had been observed some objects with my friends, who are also interested in Astronomy. However, I gradually get tired with the constellations, their myth and observing. Then, I had a next chance to read a book of the third volume of the The Astronomy of the 20th century, which is written by Professor O. Strube and very interested in the Astrophysics. I'm sure that without reading this book, I would be the specialist of the other discipline. The above book is out of print now, but you may be find it out at a used book shop.

## Computers

My interest to the computers are somewhat different from ones of the other people I met, especially in the interest to keyboard and pointing devices(such as a mouse). Unfortunately, I only had a chance to use keyboards with QWERTY configuration and Romanized Japanese input methods. However, recently, I have found some softwares for makeing keyboard to the so-called Nicola configuration, and now I write Japanese with this configuration. I also have got a customizing file to make my keyboard to Dvorak configuration and a tool to change keyboard configuration as anyway I like. However, unfortunately, this customizing file and software does not co-work with Nicola-rization software. Thus, I cannot try to use Dvorak configuration, til now. Furthermore, I found another interesting method to input Japanese characters by one hand in the customizing files included in the trial version of the Japanese input method Matsutake. This method impressed me very much!

## Pet Bottles

I guess that many people who had a chance to see me will see me with a pet-bottle (often it contain 2 litters of oolong tea). This is because I have some kidney stones and advised from my medical doctor to drink as much as possible.

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