

# Graduate Methodologies in Cognition, Mathematics and Informatics S1

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**【Course description and aims】**  
 The theme of this course is “Decision Making Models.” This course deals with mathematical methods for modeling and analyzing competitive or social decision making situations through discussion, group work, lectures and working on exercise problems. Specifically, this course gives definitions, examples and analysis methods of “games in normal form,” “games in extensive form,” “option form,” “graph models,” “simple games,” “games in characteristic function form,” and “committees.” These are mathematical models for describing and analyzing decision making situations, which the students are expected to understand upon completion of this course.

This course aims to cultivate the students’ abilities to:

- select an appropriate mathematical model for describing and analyzing a focal decision making situation;
- describe a real-world decision making situation by a mathematical model;
- analyze the mathematical model and draw some insights on the situation from the results of the mathematical analysis; and
- convey the mathematical analysis results to others concisely.

**【Three Reports and a Poster Presentation】**  
 Students are required to submit three reports:

1. Background Report:  
On the background and the detail of a real-world decision making situation;
2. Model Report:  
On the model of the situation;
3. Analysis Report:  
On the analysis of the situation.

Also, they are required to give a poster presentation based on these reports at the end of the term.

**【Instructions】**

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 Procedure for submitting three reports and preparing for a poster presentation

1. Forming groups: From a group of 2-4 students participating in this course, choose each group needs to consist of the members who will be responsible for the group to accomplish the course. This is an open to anyone.
2. Background Report: By the 6th class (Thursday, October 10th), each group should submit the background report to work on and submit reports on the background and detail of the situation.
3. Model Report: By the 10th class (Thursday, October 24th), each group should submit the model report which is employed for the analysis of the situation to the background and detail of the situation.
4. Analysis Report: By the 16th class (Thursday, February 14th), each group should submit the analysis report on the results of the analysis of the situation.
5. Presentation: The 16th and 17th classes will be devoted to poster presentation by each group on the background, the model and the analysis report. Each group has to prepare for the presentation. All of the three reports and the presentation above will be evaluated with respect to the items on the evaluation sheet which is attached to this instruction. Make sure to have them when submitting reports and preparing for the presentation.

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**【Evaluation】**

Evaluation will be based on;

1. Three reports (20% each);
2. Three reports (10% each; 30% total);
3. Poster (20%); and
4. Presentation (20%)

**【Evaluation Sheets】**

社会システムモデリング  
Background Report 評価シート  
Social System Modeling  
Background Report Evaluation Sheet

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1. 背景 (Background)  
問題としている現実世界状況について、簡潔に事実を記述されているか?  
Are the facts of the situation described concisely?
2. 選択 (Options or Alternatives)  
問題と関係している選択肢が提示されているか?  
Are the options or alternatives available for the decision makers specified?
3. 選好 (Preferences)  
問題と関係する選好が十分に記述されているか?  
Are the preferences of the decision makers over the possible outcomes described?
4. 行動規則 (Strategies)  
主体の行動規則が十分に記述されているか?  
Are the strategies used by the decision makers described?
5. 望ましい結果 (Desirable Outcomes)  
望まれるべき、望ましい結果が記述されているか?  
Are the desirable outcomes described?

社会システムモデリング  
Model Report 評価シート  
Social System Modeling  
Model Report Evaluation Sheet

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1. 目的 (Purpose)  
問題としている現実世界状況について、簡潔に事実を記述されているか?  
Are the facts of the situation described concisely?
2. モデル (Model)  
モデルは適切に選択されているか?  
Is the selection of the model appropriate?
3. 背景 (Background)  
問題と関係する選好が十分に記述されているか?  
Are the preferences of the decision makers over the possible outcomes described?
4. モデル構築 (Construction)  
モデルは適切に構築されているか?  
Is the construction of the model appropriate?
5. 望ましい結果 (Desirable Outcomes)  
望まれるべき、望ましい結果が記述されているか?  
Are the desirable outcomes described?

社会システムモデリング  
Analysis Report 評価シート  
Social System Modeling  
Analysis Report Evaluation Sheet

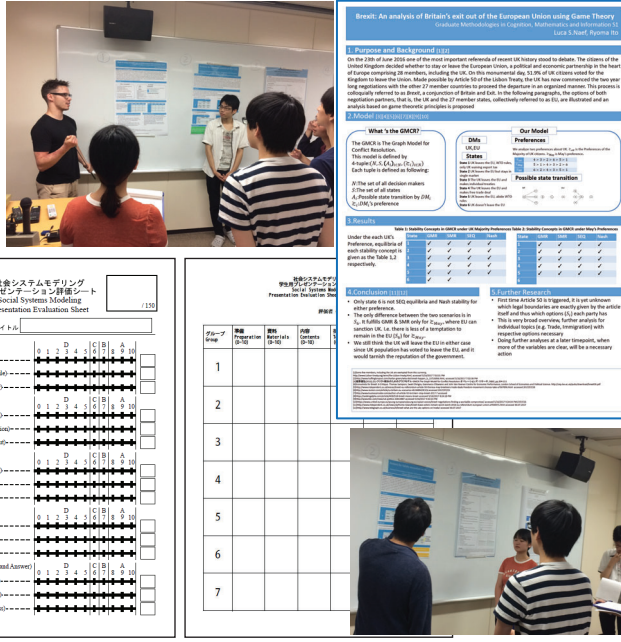
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1. 方法の選択 (Selection of Methods)  
分析の方法は適切に選択されているか?  
Is the selection of the methods for the analysis appropriate?
2. 方法の使用 (Use of Methods)  
分析の方法は適切に使用されているか?  
Is the use of the methods appropriate?
3. 妥当性 (Validity)  
分析結果の解釈は適切か?  
Is the interpretation of the results of the analysis valid?
4. 洞察への貢献 (Insights)  
結果の洞察が得られる、現実への洞察が得られているか?  
Are the insights of the results of the analysis toward the real world described?
5. 今後の研究の方向性 (Future Research)  
今後の研究が適切に記述されているか?  
Are the possible future research appropriately described?

社会システムモデリング  
Presentation Evaluation Sheet  
Social System Modeling  
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**【Examples of Report Topics】**

Brexit: An Analysis of Britain’s exit out of the European Union using Game Theory  
 Analysis for Falsely Accusation on the Train

**【Schedule and Class room】**

Every Friday, 10:45-12:15, Room W9-707  
 Guidance  
 Games in normal form: Definition, Dominant strategy equilibrium and Nash equilibrium  
 Games in extensive form (1): Definition  
 Games in extensive form (2): Backward induction and subgame perfect equilibrium  
 Option form: Definition and Stability concepts  
The deadline for submitting Background Report  
 Graph models (1): Definition and Transition time analysis  
 Simple games and weighted majority games (1): Definition  
 Simple games and weighted majority games (2): Dictator, veto, unanimity, properness and symmetry  
 Simple games and weighted majority games (3): Power indices and coalition power comparison  
 Games in characteristic function form (1): Definition  
The deadline for submitting Model Report  
 Games in characteristic function form (2): Core, Shapley value and nucleolus  
 Committees (1): Definition  
 Committees (2): Stable alternatives  
 Presentation (1)  
 Presentation (2)  
The deadline for submitting Analysis Report

- Class 1 :
- Class 2 :
- Class 3 :
- Class 4 :
- Class 5 :
- Class 6 :
- Class 7 :
- Class 8 :
- Class 9 :
- Class 10 :
- Class 11 :
- Class 12 :
- Class 13 :
- Class 14 :
- Class 15 :