

CSE 516A: Multi-Agent Systems

Introductory Lecture
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Plan for today

Welcome & introductions

What is this class about?

Class logistics

What is this course?

Multi-agent system: a system where multiple autonomous entities with different information sets and goals interact.

Let's see some examples of the kinds of things we're going to study

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Sponsored Search Auctions

Each sponsored search listing occupies a slot

Advertisers pay per-click

Google's problem: how to allocate slots

Advertiser's problem: how much to bid for a click

Key idea: must reason about the actions of other (intelligent) agents

Aside: Why does Google clearly delineate sponsored results?

Reasoning about others

Can I get two volunteers to play a game?

B's action

A's
Action

	Cooperate	Defect
Cooperate	1 year, 1 year	3 years, Free
Defect	Free, 3 years	2 years, 2 years

Time in prison for A, B

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#2	Stanford University Stanford, CA	\$47,343 (full-time)	461
#3	Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD	\$44,100 (full-time)	479
#4	University of California—San Francisco San Francisco, CA	\$31,134 (in-state, full-time); \$43,379 (full-time) (out-of-state)	648
#4	University of Pennsylvania (Perelman) Philadelphia, PA	\$47,090 (full-time)	646
#6	Washington University in St. Louis St. Louis, MO	\$52,020 (full-time)	478

Incentives in voting

Polling for “top medical school”

3 candidates: Harvard, UCSF, JHU, WUSTL

Method: Rank candidates, assign 3,2,1,0 points

Person 1: Harvard > UCSF > WUSTL > JHU

You think: WUSTL > Harvard > UCSF > JHU

What would you do?

What happens when you graduate?

Apply to residencies

Alice	WUSTL > UCSF > Harvard	WUSTL	Chris > Alice > Bob
Bob	WUSTL > Harvard > UCSF	UCSF	Alice > Chris > Bob
Chris	Harvard > WUSTL > UCSF	Harvard	Alice > Chris > Bob

Suppose we match (Alice, UCSF), (Bob, WUSTL), (Chris, Harvard)?

Alice and WUSTL would rather be together than with their assigned matches: **unstable**

What about: (Alice, WUSTL), (Bob, UCSF), (Chris, Harvard) ?



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See also: [Medical education](#) and [List of medical schools](#)

A **medical school** is a [tertiary educational](#) institution—or part of such an institution—that teaches [medicine](#), and awards a professional degree for physicians and surgeons. Such degrees include the [Doctor of Medicine](#) (MD), [Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine](#) (DO), or [Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery](#) (BMBS, MBBS, MBChB). Many medical schools offer additional degrees, such as a [Doctor of Philosophy](#), [Master's degree](#), a [physician assistant](#) program, or other post-secondary education.

Medical schools can also employ medical researchers and operate hospitals. The entry criteria, structure, teaching methodology, and nature of medical programs offered at medical schools vary considerably around the world. Medical schools are often highly competitive, using standardized [entrance examinations](#) to narrow the selection criteria for candidates.



Wikipedia and Peer Production

Why should I contribute?

How is quality maintained?

Can it be subverted?

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Results & Papers

Still to Come

POLITICS

2016 Presidential Election – Likelihood of Republican Nomination

Jeb Bush	28.4 %
Marco Rubio	12.7 %
Rand Paul	11.3 %

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2016 Presidential Election – Likelihood of Democratic Nomination

Hillary Clinton	69.9 %
Elizabeth Warren	12.1 %
Joe Biden	3.5 %

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2016 Presidential Election – Next President

Hillary Clinton	42.7 %
Jeb Bush	15.0 %
Marco Rubio	6.9 %

SPORTS

NCAAF 2014/15 – Winner

Oregon	65.7 %
Ohio State	34.3 %

2014–15 NFL – Likelihood to Win (Team)

Seattle Seahawks	43.6 %
New England Patriots	33.0 %
Green Bay Packers	13.7 %
Indianapolis Colts	9.8 %

Cricket World Cup 2015 – Winner

Australia	26.1 %
South Africa	18.8 %
New Zealand	13.5 %
India	12.2 %

[See All »](#)

Where do these numbers come from?

A prediction market

Applies principles from information aggregation in financial markets to predicting event probabilities

Why does it work? What's the meaning of a stock price?

Syllabus and course logistics

Let's look over the syllabus and discuss