

The 9th Annual IMBS Graduate Student Conference

Wednesday May 25th, 2011 in SSPA 2112

Session I: Understanding Incentives

Session Chair: Ryan Kendall

9:00 **Heidi Tucholski**, IMBS

Can Government Officials Compromise? Using Mechanism Design to Influence Incentives

9:30 **Bennett Holman**, Logic and Philosophy of Science

Evaluating Evidential Hierarchies in Evidence Based Medicine

10:00 **Jonathan Cook**, Economics

Discontinued Goods and the Exchange Rate

10:30 Ten Minute Break

Session II: Modeling Business Decisions

Session Chair: Heidi Tucholski

10:40 **David Hewitt**, Economics

A Model of Innovation and Licensing

11:10 **James Cao**, Merage School of Business

Impact of an "Online-to-Store" Channel on Demand Allocation, Online Pricing and Profitability

11:40 **Joseph Vithayathil**, Merage School of Business

Corporate Takeovers: Owner-Governance vs. Entrenched Boards

12:10 Ten Minute Break

Session III: Networks and Interaction

Session Chair: Ryan Kendall

12:20 **Zack Almquist**, Sociology

Logistic Network Regression for Scalable Analysis of Networks with Joint Edge/Vertex Dynamics

12:50 **Mikaela Fudolig**, Physics

Scarcity and Fairness in the Dictator Game

1:20 **Giorgio Gosti**, IMBS

More Realistic Naming Games

1:50 Ten Minute Break

Session IV: Problems in Aggregation

Session Chair: Jonathan Cook

2:00 **Kalin Agrawal**, IMBS

Cultural Consensus Theory: Estimating Consensus in Balanced Signed Graphs

2:30 **Ray Mendoza**, IMBS

Extracting Semantic Information from Large Corpora of Text

2:55 **Tomas McIntee**, IMBS

Runoff Systems and Their [in]Sensitivity to Perturbation

3:25 **Dan Jessie**, IMBS

Symmetries in Social Sciences

3:50 Ten Minute Break

Session V: Individual Decisions and Welfare

Session Chair: Zack Almquist

4:00 **Galina Belokurova**, Political Science

Why are Businessmen Murdered? The Role of the State in Violence Against Business Elites

4:30 **Eric Peterson**, Economics

Waves as a Common-Pool Resource: Why Do Surfers Share Waves?

5:00 **Ryan Kendall**, Economics

Are Irrational Businessmen Good for Society?

Conference co-organizers are: Jonathan Aaron Cook, Ryan Kendall, and Heidi Tucholski.