

# **Advanced Microeconomics Part II: Game Theory**

## **Syllabus**

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### **Text Books**

Gibbons, Robert. 1992. A Primer in Game Theory. Pearson, New York.

Gintis, Herbert. 2009. *Game Theory Evolving*. Second Edition, Princeton University Press, Princeton.

Muthoo, Abhinay. 1999. *Bargaining Theory with Applications*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.



### **Course Content**

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 What Is Economics? 1.2 What Is Game Theory?
- 2. Basic Concepts (Gintis: Ch. 3, Ch. 4.4, Ch. 5.19; Gibbons: Ch. 1.1.A, 1.1.C, 1.3, 2.4.B)
- 2.1 Normal Form and Extensive Form 2.2 Pure-Strategy Nash Equilibrium 2.3 Subgame Perfect Nash Equilibrium 2.4 Mixed-Strategy Nash Equilibrium 2.5 Some Typical Examples
- 3. Dominated Strategies (Gintis: Ch. 4; Gibbons: Ch. 1.1.B, 1.1C, 2.1.A)
- 3.1 Normal Form: Eliminating Dominated Strategies 3.2 Extensive Form: Backward Induction
- 4. Duopoly (Gibbons: Ch. 1.2.A, 1.2.B, 1.5, 2.1.B)
- 4.1 Cournot Competition 4.2 Stackelberg Leadership 4.3 Bertrand Competition with Homogeneous Products 4.4 Bertrand Competition with Differentiated Products

#### 5. Repeated Games

- 5.1 Finite Time Horizon 5.2 Infinite Time Horizon
- 6. Bargaining (Muthoo: Ch. 1, 2, 3)
- 4.1 Symmetric Nash Bargaining Solution 4.2 Asymmetric Nash Bargaining Solution
- 4.3 Rubinstein Bargaining Game
- 7. Bayesian Games (Gibbons: Ch. 3, 4; Gintis: Ch. 8)
- 5.1 Static Bayesian Games 5.2 Dynamic Bayesian Games