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## 2: Paradox of voting - Wikipedia

*And the problems these paradoxes uncover can arise in many different forms: in debates over nuclear disarmament, labour-management disputes, marital conflicts, Calvinist theology, and even in the evolution of disease through the "cooperation" of microorganisms.*

Probably the most dramatic development in descriptive and normative social theory in this century has been the development of a formal theory of strategic rationality game theory and its application to descriptive and normative social theory. This course focuses on the application of non-cooperative game theory to the social sciences to show both the fruitfulness and the limitations of the theory. The course provides an introduction to the important concepts of non-cooperative game theory and then explores some of the most important developments in the application of game theory to social explanation, with particular attention to explaining collective action. The course critically evaluates two different roles for game theory in the social sciences: In this course, you will master the important concepts of game theory, without the usual attendant mathematical complexity. No familiarity with game theory is presupposed, and no mathematics beyond elementary algebra is required. The class meets MWF at Everyone is expected to do the assigned readings in advance and to attend and to participate in the discussion. The reading assignments appear at the end of this syllabus. There will be questions on the exams that cannot be answered adequately from the readings alone. At the end of each class except Friday, Feb. Each of these answers is worth 5 points, for a total of points during the quarter including 5 points for the email assignment described below. If you ever receive less than 3 out of 5 points on an end-of-class question, you may submit a revised answer to raise your grade to 3 points. Revised answers may be turned in at any time before the Final Exam. Students who are absent cannot make up these assignments, unless the absence is excused. There will be regular homework assignments approximately once per week during the first half of the course, intermittently thereafter, and a larger Final Project due at the last class meeting, Mar. The homework assignments will be worth points and the Final Project will be worth points. Because the class attracts students with a variety of backgrounds, some students will have more difficulty with the homework assignments than others. I hope to be able to schedule an optional weekly review session that will be open to all, but strongly recommended for those who have problems with the homework or who have other questions about the discussion in class. There will be a Midterm Exam worth points in class on Friday. A list of potential exam questions will be distributed in class on the preceding Friday, Jan. There will be a Final Exam worth points on Thurs. A list of potential exam questions will be distributed in class on Wed. To assist your preparation, before each exam a comprehensive list of potential exam questions will be handed out in class. The actual exam questions will be selected from the list. Please bring a pen and blank blue books with no pages missing to the exams. Final Exams will be available for pick-up from me during the first week of Spring Quarter. If you would like your Final Exam mailed to you, please provide me a stamped, self-addressed envelope to be used for mailing. With my permission a term paper pages may be substituted for the Final Exam. All term papers must be discussed with me and approved by me on or before March 1. Term papers are due at the Philosophy Department Office, Savery, by 4: Anyone who does not turn in a term paper by that time should take the Final Exam on Thurs. All students are required to have electronic mail accounts. Your first assignment worth 5 points is to send me an email message email address: If you do not have an email account, the people in the Computing Resource Center, Room of Suzallo Library can show you how to set one up and can show you how to use it. I will use email to broadcast general course announcements, so you should check your email at least weekly. Extensions of time should be requested in advance of the deadline. Unexcused, late work will be penalized. Grades will be based on total points out of a total possible of points as follows: Your contribution to discussion in class can improve your grade, but cannot lower it. Unexcused absences can lower your grade. The course evaluation is your opportunity to evaluate my performance and to provide suggestions for improving the course. Available for purchase at the University Book Store: Hogarth and Melvin W. Class Reader photocopied materials. I had intended that the following book would be a required text for the course: The Colman text is out of print. The required parts of it have been assembled into

a Supplemental Course Reader that is available for purchase at the Copy Center in the Communications Building, Room B Decisions Under Certainty, Risk, and Uncertainty 2. Colman, GTA, Chapters , pp. Mixed Motive Games 1. Note that on p. Axelrod, EC, Chapter , pp. Ignore the analysis of the Auction game on the bottom of p. Russell Hardin, Collective Action, Chapter 4 partial , pp. Frank, PWR, Chapters , pp. Philip Pettit, "Virtus Normativa: Rational Choice Perspectives", in Ethics, Vol. Moral Norms, Emotions, and Attitudes 1. Kunreuther comments on Kahneman, et al. Schweder comments on Kahneman, et al. Thaler comments in RC, pp. Zeckhauser comments in RC, pp. Decision, Probability, and Utility, pp. The Evolution of Rationality 1. Colman, GTA, Chapter 11, pp. Skyrms, Evolution of the Social Contract , Chap. Group Selection and Social Identity 1.

*Richmond Campbell is the author of Moral Epistemology Naturalized ( avg rating, 3 ratings, 0 reviews, published ), Paradoxes of Rationality and C.*

A superintelligence from another galaxy, whom we shall call Omega, comes to Earth and sets about playing a strange little game. In this game, Omega selects a human being, sets down two boxes in front of them, and flies away. Box A is transparent and contains a thousand dollars. Box B is opaque, and contains either a million dollars, or nothing. You can take both boxes, or take only box B. And the twist is that Omega has put a million dollars in box B iff Omega has predicted that you will take only box B. Omega has been correct on each of observed occasions so far - everyone who took both boxes has found box B empty and received only a thousand dollars; everyone who took only box B has found B containing a million dollars. We assume that box A vanishes in a puff of smoke if you take only box B; no one else can take box A afterward. Before you make your choice, Omega has flown off and moved on to its next game. Box B is already empty or already full. Omega drops two boxes on the ground in front of you and flies off. Do you take both boxes, or only box B? And the standard philosophical conversation runs thusly: Either box B is already full or already empty. In either case I do better by taking both boxes, and worse by leaving a thousand dollars on the table - so I will be rational, and take both boxes. For those who read only online material, this PhD thesis summarizes the major standard positions. This dominant view goes by the name of "causal decision theory". Way too long a story, even by my standards. If you can precommit yourself before Omega examines you; then you are directly causing box B to be filled. Agents with free access to their own source code have access to a cheap method of precommitment. What if you expect that you might, in general, face a Newcomblike problem, without knowing the exact form of the problem? Then you would have to modify yourself into a sort of agent whose disposition was such that it would generally receive high rewards on Newcomblike problems. But what does an agent with a disposition generally-well-suited to Newcomblike problems look like? Can this be formally specified? Yes, but when I tried to write it up, I realized that I was starting to write a small book. My slow writing speed really is the bane of my existence. The theory I worked out seems, to me, to have many nice properties besides being well-suited to Newcomblike problems. First, foremost, fundamentally, above all else: Rational agents should WIN. If your utility function has a term in it for others, then win their happiness. If your utility function has a term in it for a million years hence, then win the eon. But at any rate, WIN. Now there are defenders of causal decision theory who argue that the two-boxers are doing their best to win, and cannot help it if they have been cursed by a Predictor who favors irrationalists. I will talk about this defense in a moment. But first, I want to draw a distinction between causal decision theorists who believe that two-boxers are genuinely doing their best to win; versus someone who thinks that two-boxing is the reasonable or the rational thing to do, but that the reasonable move just happens to predictably lose, in this case. There are a lot of people out there who think that rationality predictably loses on various problems - that, too, is part of the Hollywood Rationality stereotype, that Kirk is predictably superior to Spock. I can conceive of a superbeing who rewards only people born with a particular gene, regardless of their choices. I can conceive of a superbeing who rewards people whose brains inscribe the particular algorithm of "Describe your options in English and choose the last option when ordered alphabetically," but who does not reward anyone who chooses the same option for a different reason. It is precisely the notion that Nature does not care about our algorithm, which frees us up to pursue the winning Way - without attachment to any particular ritual of cognition, apart from our belief that it wins. Every rule is up for grabs, except the rule of winning. In short, the Way of the Ichi school is the spirit of winning, whatever the weapon and whatever its size. It was argued by McGee that we must adopt bounded utility functions or be subject to "Dutch books" over infinite times. The utility function is not up for grabs. I love life without limit or upper bound: There is no finite amount of life lived  $N$  where I would prefer a This is a sufficient condition to imply that my utility function is unbounded. So I just have to figure out how to optimize for that morality. Omega has already left! I am a rationalist: The point is not to have an elegant theory of winning - the point is to win; elegance is a side effect. Or to look at it

another way: Rather than starting with a concept of what is the reasonable decision, and then asking whether "reasonable" agents leave with a lot of money, start by looking at the agents who leave with a lot of money, develop a theory of which agents tend to leave with the most money, and from this theory, try to figure out what is "reasonable". So the only reasonable thing for me to do was to take it. This is not the case. Rachel can and should admit that she does wish she were more like Irene. You might envy someone their genes, if Omega rewards genes, or if the genes give you a generally happier disposition. But Rachel, above, envies Irene her choice, and only her choice, irrespective of what algorithm Irene used to make it. Rachel wishes just that she had a disposition to choose differently. Just do the act you envy. Be careful of this sort of argument, any time you find yourself defining the "winner" as someone other than the agent who is currently smiling from on top of a giant heap of utility. Yes, there are various thought experiments in which some agents start out with an advantage - but if the task is to, say, decide whether to jump off a cliff, you want to be careful not to define cliff-refraining agents as having an unfair prior advantage over cliff-jumping agents, by virtue of their unfair refusal to jump off cliffs. At this point you have covertly redefined "winning" as conformance to a particular ritual of cognition. Pay attention to the money! Would you spend an extra hour thinking it through, if you were confident that, at the end of the hour, you would be able to convince yourself that box B was the rational choice? This too is a rather odd position to be in. Ordinarily, the work of rationality goes into figuring out which choice is the best - not finding a reason to believe that a particular choice is the best. Would you, at that point, find yourself tempted to make an unreasonable choice? If the stake in box B was something you could not leave behind? Something overwhelmingly more important to you than being reasonable? If you absolutely had to win - really win, not just be defined as winning? Would you wish with all your power that the "reasonable" decision was to take only box B? Alleged rationalists should not find themselves envying the mere decisions of alleged nonrationalists, because your decision can be whatever you like. You should realize you got the Way wrong. So, too, if you ever find yourself keeping separate track of the "reasonable" belief, versus the belief that seems likely to be actually true. Either you have misunderstood reasonableness, or your second intuition is just wrong. But it is the argument that I am putting forth, and the moral of my advice to Trust In Bayes, that the laws governing winning have indeed proven to be math. If it ever turns out that Bayes fails - receives systematically lower rewards on some problem, relative to a superior alternative, in virtue of its mere decisions - then Bayes has to go out the window. Currently, that label refers to Bayescraft. Nor should you find yourself distinguishing the reasonable belief from the belief that is most likely to be true. That is why I use the word "rational" to denote my beliefs about accuracy and winning - not to denote verbal reasoning, or strategies which yield certain success, or that which is logically provable, or that which is publicly demonstrable, or that which is reasonable. As Miyamoto Musashi said: It is essential to attain this. If you think only of hitting, springing, striking or touching the enemy, you will not be able actually to cut him.

4: Phil. Syllabus for Fall

*Paradoxes of Rationality and Cooperation: Prisoner's Dilemma and Newcomb's Problem. Edited by Richmond Campbell and Lanning Sowden. (Vancouver: The University of British Columbia Press, Pp. \$).*

D, The most important focus of the discipline of international relations has been to understand the causes of war and the paths to peace. This task is no less relevant today in the post-Cold War world. Indeed, the decade of the s witnessed explosive ethnic conflicts in Eastern Europe and sub-Saharan Africa, and international wars in the Persian Gulf, Africa and the Balkans. The new millennium is barely two years old and we have already witnessed violent conflict between Ethiopia and Eritrea, between the Palestinian Authority and Israel, between India and Pakistan and between the United States and Afghanistan, among other conflicts. Moreover, since political tensions between India and Pakistan, between China and Taiwan and in the Middle East could potentially escalate to the nuclear level, it is, perhaps, more important than ever for us to study why wars occur and how they can be stopped. This course, therefore, will explore some of the leading contemporary explanations of international conflict together with theories of peace and cooperation. It will conclude with a discussion of the prospects for war and peace in the emerging international system. Students are required to purchase the following: Cornell University Press, at bookstore. A photocopied packet of readings from the bookstore. Morgenthau, *Politics Among Nations*, 6th ed. McGraw-Hill, , chap. Macmillan, , chaps. Columbia University Press, *How does the international system make war possible? Does a balance of power or a concentration of power hegemony cause war?* Cambridge University Press, , pp. North, *Nations in Conflict* San Francisco: Freeman, , chap. Evidence from Cases," *International Security* vol. Dabelko, *Green Planet Blues* Boulder: Why do wars occur according to Malthus? Why or why not? Do environmental degradation and population growth constitute a serious security threat in the future? *Domestic Pressures and War*: Levy, "The Diversionary Theory of War," pp. The Origins of the Falklands War," pp. Johns Hopkins University Press, Harvard University Press, , chap. Diversionary Uses of Force? What is the diversionary theory of war? How useful a theory is it? What is the rally-around-the flag effect? How does it affect international politics? Does it operate in the twentieth century? October 14 - Thanksgiving: No Class Scheduled 5. Decision-making, *Rationality and War*: Quester, "Crises and the Unexpected," pp. Holsti, "Theories of Crisis Decision-making," pp. Princeton University Press, How do they affect rational decision making processes? Is misperception theory a useful guide to help us explain World War I? Decision-making Scenario October 28 Paper proposals due. Realist Theories of Peace I: Oye, "Explaining Co-operation Under Anarchy" pp. Grieco, "Anarchy and the Limits of Cooperation: A Study of International Security Cooperation," pp. Princeton University Press, , pp. December , pp. Is large-scale cooperation possible in an anarchic international system? Do states prefer absolute or relative gains? Realist Theories of Peace II: Harvard University Press, , pp. Kindleberger, *The World in Depression*, Berkeley: University of California Press, , chap. An Epitaph for Hegemonic Stability Theory? Keohane, *After Hegemony* Princeton: What is hegemonic stability theory? What is it based upon? Is it a useful theory? Is the United States a declining hegemon? If so, is it possible for international cooperating to continue in the future? Liberal Theories of Peace I: Russett, *Grasping the Democratic Peace* Princeton: Princeton University Press, , chaps. Raymond Cohen, "Pacific unions: Are democracies less war-prone than other states? Is the public more peaceful than their leaders? Liberal Theories of Peace II: Ripsman and Jean-Marc F. Blanchard, "Commercial Liberalism Under Fire: Evidence from and ," *Security Studies* vol. Rosecrance, *The Rise of the Trading State: Does economic interdependence prevent states from using force to settle international disputes? Have we entered into a new era where force is no longer useful to achieve state objectives? International Institutions* December 2 John J. Keohane and Lisa L. International organizations and militarized disputes, ," *International Organization*, vol. Stephan Haggard and Beth A. Duffield, "Explaining the Long Peace in Europe: Gregory Flynn and Henry Farrell, "Piecing together the democratic peace: Do international institutions make states more cooperative? What effect did international institutions have on the stability of the Cold War world? Mearsheimer, "Back to the Future: Will it Resemble the Past? Kupchan, "After Pax Americana: Posen, "The Struggle Against Terrorism: Walt, "Beyond bin Laden: Foreign Policy,"

International Security, vol. Is the international system likely to be more or less peaceful in the future than it was during the Cold War? What types of threats are most likely? Is US hegemony likely to face balancing coalitions and challengers? If so, what types of challenges are most likely and what effect will they have on international stability? Ripsman de Maisonneuve Blvd.

## 5: Richmond Campbell (Author of Paradoxes of Rationality and Cooperation)

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## 7: Newcomb's paradox - Wikipedia

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## 8: Contact Support

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