Choosing optimally among different lines of actions is a key aspect of autonomy in agents. The process by which an agent arrives at this choice is complex, particularly in environments shared with other agents.

This full-day tutorial will focus on how to make optimal and approximately optimal decisions in multiagent settings. The tutorial will utilize the well-studied domain of search and human support applications to motivate and provide context for a range of multiagent interactions of increasing generality.

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- Game theory background
- Repeated strategic and Bayesian games
- Iterative solution methods (e.g. fictitious play)
- Multiagent stochastic (Markov) games
- Decentralised Markov decision processes (DEC-MDPs)
- Model specializations
- Partially observable stochastic games (POSGs)
- Partially observable Dec-MDPs (DEC-MDPs) and approximations
- Interactive POMDPs (I-POMDPs) and approximations
- Targeted trajectory distribution MDP (TTD-MDP)
- Stigmergic solution with perceptual control (Multiagent EMT)