

Possible Topics for a Short 745 Project / 20 min Seminar

1. Complexity and Chaos

Santa Fe Institute Reports, Scientific American, New Scientist
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Complex_system
http://dictionary.laborlawtalk.com/Complex_system
Adapting to Complexity Scientific American Jan 1993
From Complexity to Perplexity Scientific American June 1995
<http://www.santafe.edu/>

2. The Edge of chaos in Cellular Automata

Internet for Langton's Lambda Criterion
A New Kind of Science Stephen Wolfram for class 4 automata
<http://www.wolframsience.com/nksonline/toc.html>
Waldrop Mitchell (1993) Complexity Penguin.
Schroeder M. (1993) Fractals, Chaos and Power Laws ISBN 0-7167-2136-8.
<http://math.hws.edu/xJava/CA/EdgeOfChaosCA.html>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christopher_Langton
<http://www-users.cs.york.ac.uk/~susan/bib/nfl/1langton.htm>
<http://math.hws.edu/xJava/CA/EdgeOfChaos.html>
<http://www.let.rug.nl/~kleiweg/ca/ca.html>
<http://classes.yale.edu/fractals/CA/CAPatterns/Langton/Langton.html>
<http://psoup.math.wisc.edu/archive/recipe51.html>

3. Self-organized Criticality

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Self-organized_criticality
Bak, P. (1996). How Nature Works: The Science of Self-Organized Criticality. New York: Copernicus. ISBN 0-387-94791-4.
Bak, P., Tang, C. and Wiesenfeld, K. (1988). "Self-organized criticality". Physical Review A 38: 364–374.

4. Zipf's Law and languages

Schroeder M. (1993) Fractals, Chaos and Power Laws ISBN 0-7167-2136-8.
New Scientist article on Dolphins <http://www.peterussell.com/dolphin/DolphinLang.php>
<http://www.ee.columbia.edu/~xanadu/papers/suzuki05.pdf>
<http://faculty.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/faculty/bjmccowan/Pubs/McCowenetal.2005.pdf>

5. L-systems and Fractal Plant Form

Prusinkiewicz P., Lindenmayer (1990) The Algorithmic Beauty of Plants Springer-Verlag 1990
<http://algorithmicbotany.org/papers/#abop>
Heinz-Otto Peitgen, Hartmut Jurgens, Dietmar Saupe (2004) Chaos and fractals : New frontiers of science New York: Springer

6. Cellular Automata and Mollusc Shell Patterns

Kusch I, Markus M 1996 Mollusc Shell Pigmentation: Cellular automation simulations and evidence for undecidability J Theor Biol 178 333-340. PDF (2486 K)
Hans Meinhardt (1995) Algorithmic beauty of sea shells with contributions and images by Przemyslaw Prusinkiewicz and Deborah R. Fowler Berlin ; New York : Springer-Verlag.

7. Time-scale Calculus

Taming nature's numbers New Scientist 19 July 2003
<http://web.ecs.baylor.edu/faculty/marks/Research/TimeScales/index.htm>
(includes Matlab toolbox)

8. Fractal and Chaotic Music and Automata Music

Schroeder M. (1993) Fractals, Chaos and Power Laws ISBN 0-7167-2136-8 for 1/f noise in music
<http://tones.wolfram.com/>
<http://members.aol.com/dspondike/fractal.html>
<http://www.fractalmusiclab.com/>
<http://csounds.com/>
<http://www.audiosynth.com/>

9. Fractal Art

<http://www.enchgallery.com/fractals/fractal%20gallery%204.htm>
<http://www.superliminal.com/fractals/bbrot/bbrot.htm>
<http://www3.sympatico.ca/olangois/fractal/>
<http://www.fractal.org/Julius-Ruis-Gallery/Index-Gallery.htm>

10. Attractor Reconstruction and Takens Theorem

Heinz-Otto Peitgen, Hartmut Jurgens, Dietmar Saupe (2004) Chaos and fractals : New frontiers of science New York: Springer

11. Chaos and prediction in Meteorology

Stewart I. (1988), Does God Play Dice? Basil Blackwell, Oxford.
Heinz-Otto Peitgen, Hartmut Jurgens, Dietmar Saupe (2004) Chaos and fractals : New frontiers of science New York: Springer

12. Experiments in Quantum Chaos

Articles provided, including Scientific American and science news
Gutzwiller, M.C. (1992). Quantum chaos. Sci. Am. 266, 78 - 84.
<http://www.dhushara.com/book/quantcos/qchao/quanc.htm>
Zhang et. al. 1990 Quantum fluctuations in classical chaos Physical Review A 42/6 3646

13. Modeling Population Dynamics including Endangered Species

The Sixth Extinction, Leakey and Lewin.

Peitgen H.O. & Richter P.H., (1986), The Beauty of Fractals Springer-Verlag, Berlin. DC

14. Three dimensional fractal modelling of Natural Forms: Mountains, Landscapes, Clouds

The Science of Fractal Images. Peitgen H.O. et.al.

Chaos and Fractal Peitgen et. al.

15. Conservative chaos, planetary orbits and cantori

Schuster H.J., (1986), Deterministic Chaos , Springer-Verlag, Berlin. DC

16. Fractals in Stochastic Processes and 1/f Noise

Schroeder M. (1993) Fractals, Chaos and Power Laws ISBN 0-7167-2136-8.

17. The Skeleton of Turbulence

Turbulence: Finding order in chaos 01 December 2007 NewScientist

Mathur et. al. (2007) Uncovering the Lagrangian Skeleton of Turbulence Physical Review Letters 98, 144502

18. Chaos in Electronic Systems

Matsumoto, Takahashi 1987 Proceedings of the IEEE 75/8 1033

19. Chaos in Pulsed Lasers

<http://ezinearticles.com/?Creating-Artificial-Time-in-a-Vacuum-With-Pulsed-Lasers&id=26011>

L. de B. Oliveira-Neto, Glauber J. F. T. da Silva, A. Z. Khouri, and J. R. Rios Leite (1996) Average intensity and bifurcations in a pulsed laser Phys. Rev. A 54, 3405 - 3408

20. Autocatalytic Chemical Systems

<http://www.faidherbe.org/site/cours/dupuis/oscil.htm>

21. Chaos and Prediction in Financial Markets

Dimitris N. Chorafas & Robert L. Trippi Chaos Theory on the Financial Markets: Applying Fractals, Fuzzy Logic, Genetic Algorithms, Swarm Simulation and the Monte Carlo Method to Manage Market Chaos and Volatility ISBN: 9781557385550. McGraw Hill

<http://ideas.repec.org/a/bla/jfinan/v46y1991i5p1839-77.html>