Some Final Project Topics

- games
 - o repeated:
 - axelrod PD literature
 - o equilibrium
 - survey alternatives to Nash; see how they work out in play
 - sequence form representation of large extensive form games
 - imperfect recall
 - o what is equivalence between games? What is a good distribution over games?
 - o interesting classes of games
 - supermodular
 - congestion/potential
 - o compact
 - graphical games
 - MAIDs
 - LEGs
- bounded rationality
 - o What is the effect of agents with limited look-ahead in games
 - o Contrast finite-state automaton model with another model
 - Relate to human play in experimental games
- voting
 - o compare different schemes
 - use complexity to discourage manipulation
- advanced mechanism design
 - o possibility results other than VCG
 - o contracts/bargaining/exchange
- single-item auctions
 - o collusion
 - o non-private value valuations
- combinatorial auctions
 - o network problems (price of anarchy, etc.)
 - o restrictions on strategy space and effect on incentives, computation
 - e.g., approximation by the auctioneer that preserves incentive compatibility
 - o online algorithms
 - ascending/iterative mechanisms
 - false-name bidding
 - o bidding languages
 - see the deVries/Vohra survey
- networks
 - o price of anarchy
 - alleviating congestion through pricing
- distributed problems
 - o distributed constraint satisfaction
 - o algorithmic mechanism design
 - o market-oriented programming
- multiagent learning
 - o cooperative settings
 - o purely competitive settings
 - various solution concepts (Nash, correlated, maxmin, etc.)
 - o stochastic games
 - what should the approach be anyway?