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# Comprehensive Scholastic Ability Examination

## Standard References

Graduate School of Business Administration  
Kobe University

## Group 1

### Management and Organization

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  - Appx.13 Common Knowledge and Games of Incomplete Information
  - Appx.14 Forward Induction, Strategic Stability and Beliefs-Based Refinements
  - Ch.18 Cournot and Bertrand
  - Ch.20 Private Information Part I: One-shot Interactions

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  - Ch.24 Auctions
  - Ch.25 Matching Markets
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  - Ch.7 Equilibrium refinements
  - Ch.8 Correlated equilibria
  - Ch.9 Games with incomplete information and common priors
  - Ch.10 Games with incomplete information: the general model
  - Ch.12 Auctions
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