

# Cooperation and equity in water management and intergenerational resource sharing

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The lecture addresses the issue of sustainable and fair sharing of natural resources. It applies the axiomatic theory of justice and cooperative game theory to the problems of water management and overlapping generation extraction of resource. We start by analyzing the problem of dividing the welfare from extracting a common-pool resource among users under symmetric. We then move to the case of sequential access to the resources with two applications: river sharing and intergenerational equity.

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## **Lectures:**

- 1 Sharing common resource fairly
- 2 Cooperation and equity in river sharing
- 3 Intergenerational sharing of a natural resource

## **Reading list:**

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