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DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS AND ACTUARIAL SCIENCE THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

<u>Seminar</u>

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will give a talk

entitled

## THE SUDOKU FAMILY OF PUZZLES: A COMBINATORIAL MARVEL

#### Abstract

• SuDoKu is an interesting combinatorial structure embedded within a Latin Square. It has been gaining popularity as a combinatorial puzzle. Website provides plenty of examples of such SuDoKus.

• SuDoKu is a game with incremental intelligence and is gaining popularity in many countries of Asia, Europe, and America. Its most common pattern is to fill the digits 1 through 9 into a square with 9 rows by 9 columns and subdivided 9 boxes, so that each digit appears once, and only once, in every row, column, and box.

• Recently statisticians are examining the possibility of using SuDoKus as 'experimental designs' – going beyond the Latin Square Designs.

• In this technical talk, I will focus on both combinatorial and analysis aspects of SuDoKus in general terms.

on

### Wednesday, November 4, 2015

(Refreshments will be served from 3:45 p.m. outside Room 301 Run Run Shaw Building)

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

at

### Room 301, Run Run Shaw Building

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