

CURRICULUM VITAE: ROBIN CUBITT

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PERSONAL DETAILS

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DEGREES

BA (Hons.) in Philosophy, Politics and Economics, University of Oxford, 1982

M. Phil. in Economics, University of Oxford, 1984

D. Phil. in Economics, University of Oxford, 1990

EMPLOYMENT

Sept. 2004 – Present:

Professor of Economics and Decision Research, University of Nottingham.

Sept. 2000 – Aug. 2004:

Professor of Economics, University of East Anglia.

Sept. 1995 – Aug. 2000:

Reader in Economics, University of East Anglia.

Aug. 1989 – Aug. 1995:

Lecturer in Economics, University of East Anglia.

Oct. 1985 - Jul.1989:

College Lecturer in Economics, The Queen's College, University of Oxford.

Jan.- Mar. 1985:

College Lecturer in Economics, New College, University of Oxford.

RESEARCH FIELDS AND GRANTS

Current research fields

- * Individual decision making, especially in problems involving risk, uncertainty or time;
- * Social preferences and moral motivations;
- * Lewisian approaches to game theory and convention;
- * Foundations of economic theory and its interfaces with psychology and philosophy;
- * Experimental economics and its methodology.

Research grants

Network for Integrated Behavioural Science: The Science of Consumer Behaviour (“NIBS2”): ESRC award ES/P008976/1 for c.£2.5 million; named co-I with Chris Starmer (PI) and 11 others from Universities of East Anglia, Nottingham & Warwick; duration: 1/10/2017 – 30/9/2021. Website: <http://www.behavioural-science.ac.uk/> (Website also covers NIBS1.)

Network for Integrated Behavioural Science (“NIBS1”): ESRC award ES/K002201/1 for c.£3.1 million; named co-I with Chris Starmer (PI) and 17 others from Universities of East Anglia, Nottingham & Warwick; duration: 31/12/2012 – 30/9/2017.

The Role of Experimental Methods in Economics: Leverhulme Trust award F/00 204/K for £185,446; joint holder with Graham Loomes, Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden; duration 2002-5.

Understanding Inconsistencies in Preferences Concerning Risks and their Implications for Public Decision-making: ESRC award L211252053 for £143,634; joint holder with Ian Bateman, Alistair Munro, Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden. Duration: 1996-99. The project formed part of the ESRC’s research programme on Risk and Human Behaviour.

Consistency of Preferences over Time and under Risk: ESRC award L122251024 for £113,450; joint holder with Jane Beattie, Graham Loomes, Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden; duration: 1994-97. The project formed part of the ESRC’s research programme on Economic Beliefs and Behaviour.

Foundations of Rational Choice Theory: ESRC award R000232269 for £87,340; joint holder with Shaun Hargreaves Heap, Martin Hollis, Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden; duration: 1990-2.

RESEARCH OUTPUT

Book

Experimental Economics: Rethinking the Rules (with Nicholas Bardsley, Graham Loomes, Peter Moffatt, Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden), 2010, Princeton University Press. Details available at: <http://press.princeton.edu/titles/9074.html>

(Reviewed in e.g. *Journal of Economic Literature*, June 2011; *Economics and Philosophy*, July 2011; *Economic Record*, March 2011; *Journal of Evolutionary Economics*, 2012; *Journal of Economic Psychology*, 2010; and in Review Symposium, with response by authors in *Journal of Economic Methodology*, June 2011.)

Journal articles

Discriminating between models of ambiguity attitude: a qualitative test, (with Gijs van de Kuilen and Sujoy Mukerji), *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 2020, 18(2), 708-49. Available as Advance article at <https://academic.oup.com/jeea/advance-article/doi/10.1093/jeea/jvz005/5424161>

The strength of sensitivity to ambiguity, (with Gijs van de Kuilen and Sujoy Mukerji), *Theory and Decision*, 2018, 85(3-4), 275-302. Available electronically at <http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11238-018-9657-9>

Time matters less when outcomes differ: uni-modal versus cross-modal comparisons in intertemporal choice, (with Rebecca McDonald and Daniel Read), *Management Science*, 2018, 66(2), 873-87. Available electronically at

<http://pubsonline.informs.org/doi/10.1287/mnsc.2016.2613>

Conditional cooperation and betrayal aversion, (with Simon Gächter and Simone Quercia), *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 2017, 141, 110-21. Available electronically at

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jebo.2017.06.013>

Stated and revealed inequality aversion in three subject pools, (with Benjamin Beranek and Simon Gächter), *Journal of the Economic Science Association*, 2015, 1, 43-58. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s40881-015-0007-1>

On preference imprecision, (with Daniel Navarro-Martinez and Chris Starmer), *Journal of Risk and Uncertainty*, 2015, 50, 1-34. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s11166-015-9207-6>

Common reasoning in games: a Lewisian analysis of common knowledge of rationality, (with Robert Sugden), *Economics and Philosophy*, 2014, vol. 30, pp. 285-329. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1017/S0266267114000339>

Are by-gones by-gones?, (with Maria Ruiz-Martos and Chris Starmer), *Theory and Decision*, 2012, vol. 73, pp. 185-202. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s11238-010-9233-4>

The reasoning-based expected utility procedure, (with Robert Sugden), *Games and Economic Behavior*, 2011, vol. 71, pp. 328-38. Available electronically at

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.geb.2010.04.002>

Moral judgments in social dilemmas: How bad is free riding?, (with Michalis Drouvelis, Simon Gächter and Ruslan Kabalin), *Journal of Public Economics*, 2011, vol. 95, pp. 253-64. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2010.10.011>

Framing and free riding: emotional responses and punishment in social dilemma games, (with Michalis Drouvelis and Simon Gächter), *Experimental Economics*, 2011, vol. 14, pp. 254-72. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10683-010-9266-0>

Can intertemporal choice experiments elicit time preferences for consumption?, (with Daniel Read), *Experimental Economics*, 2007, vol. 10, pp. 369-89. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10683-006-9140-2>

Experiments and the domain of economic theory, *Journal of Economic Methodology*, 2005, vol. 12, pp. 197-210. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1080/13501780500086040>

Testing explanations of preference reversal, (with Alistair Munro and Chris Starmer), *Economic Journal*, 2004, vol. 114, pp. 709-26. Available electronically at

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-0297.2004.00238.x>

Common knowledge, salience and convention: a reconstruction of David Lewis's game theory, (with Robert Sugden), *Economics and Philosophy*, 2003, vol. 19, pp. 175-210. Available

electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0266267103001123>

On money pumps, (with Robert Sugden), *Games and Economic Behavior*, 2001, vol. 37, pp. 121-160. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1006/game.2000.0834>

Dynamic decision-making under uncertainty: an experimental investigation of choices between accumulator gambles (with Robert Sugden), *Journal of Risk and Uncertainty*, 2001, vol. 22, pp. 103-128. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1023/A:1011105524935>

Discovered preferences and the experimental evidence of violations of expected utility theory (with Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden), *Journal of Economic Methodology*, 2001, vol. 8, pp. 385-414. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1080/13501780110103748>

Minimum wage legislation, investment and human capital, (with Shaun Hargreaves Heap), *Scottish Journal of Political Economy*, 1999, Vol. 46, pp. 135-157.

Burning a dollar and the bygones principle, *Greek Economic Review*, 1999, Vol. 19, pp. 45-51.

The selection of preferences by imitation, (with Robert Sugden), *Review of Economic Studies*, 1998, Vol. 65, pp. 761-771. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-937X.00067>

Dynamic choice and the common ratio effect: an experimental investigation, (with Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden), *Economic Journal*, 1998, Vol. 108, pp. 1362-80. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-0297.00346>

On the validity of the random lottery incentive system, (with Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden), *Experimental Economics*, 1998, Vol. 1, pp. 115-31. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1023/A:1026435508449>

Stagflationary bias and the interaction of monetary policy and wages in a unionized economy, *Public Choice*, 1997, vol. 93, pp. 165-178.

Rational dynamic choice and expected utility theory, *Oxford Economic Papers*, 1996, vol. 48, pp. 1-19. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordjournals.oep.a028555>

Corporatism, monetary policy and macroeconomic performance: a simple game theoretic analysis, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, 1995, Vol. 97, pp. 245-259.

Games and decisions, (with Robert Sugden), *Greek Economic Review: Special Issue on the Foundations of Economics*, 1995, Vol. 17, pp. 39-60.

Rationally justifiable play and the theory of noncooperative games, (with Robert Sugden), *Economic Journal*, 1994, Vol. 104, pp. 798-803. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/2234975>

Lumpsum menu costs and the labour demand curve, *Australian Economic Papers*, 1994, Vol. 33, pp. 7-20.

On the possibility of rational dilemmas: an axiomatic approach, *Economics and Philosophy*, 1993, Vol. 9, pp. 1-23.

Welfare and monetary precommitment in an economy with menu costs and unionised wage setting, *Bulletin of Economic Research*, 1993, Vol. 45, pp. 7-17.

Economic policy precommitment and social welfare, *Journal of Public Economics*, 1992, Vol. 49, pp. 191-203. (Printer's error corrected in volume 50, 1993, p. 455.)

Monetary policy games and private sector precommitment, *Oxford Economic Papers*, 1992, Vol. 44, pp. 513-530. Available electronically at <https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordjournals.oep.a042063>

The mutual investment game: peculiarities of indifference, (with Martin Hollis), *Analysis*, 1991, Vol. 51, pp. 113-120.

Refinements of Nash equilibrium: a critique, *Theory and Decision*, 1989, Vol. 26, pp. 107-131.

Two perspectives on the time inconsistency problem, *Greek Economic Review*, 1986, Vol. 8, pp. 1-20.

Other journal writings

A response to Binmore, Harrison and Ross on *Experimental Economics: Rethinking the Rules*, (with Nicholas Bardsley, Graham Loomes, Peter Moffatt, Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden), *Journal of Economic Methodology*, 2011, vol. 18, pp. 195-199. Available electronically at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/1350178X.2011.580133>

Book reviews and book notes in the *Economic Journal*, *World Economy*, *Utilitas* and *Risk, Decision and Policy*.

Book Chapters

Dynamic decisions under uncertainty: some recent evidence from economics and psychology, (with Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden), in *The Psychology of Economic Decisions: Reasons and Choices: Volume 2*, edited by Isabelle Brocas and Juan D. Carrillo, OUP, 2004.

Reprints

Reprint of 2005 *Journal of Economic Methodology* paper by Robin Cubitt appeared in *New Developments in Experimental Economics: Volume II*, edited by E. Carbone & C.V. Starmer, Edward Elgar, 2007.

Reprint of 1998 *Economic Journal* paper by Robin Cubitt, Chris Starmer and Robert Sugden appeared in *New Developments in Experimental Economics: Volume I*, edited by E. Carbone and C.V. Starmer, Edward Elgar, 2007.

Reprint of 2001 *Journal of Economic Methodology* paper by Robin Cubitt, Chris Starmer, and Robert Sugden appeared in *Recent Developments in Economic Methodology: Volume II*, edited by J.B. Davis, Edward Elgar, 2006.

Slightly expanded version of the 1994 *Economic Journal* paper by Robin Cubitt and Robert Sugden appeared in M. Bacharach, L. Gerard-Varet, P. Mongin and H.S. Shin (eds.) *Epistemic Logic and the Theories of Games and Decisions*, Kluwer, 1997.

Research Students

Member of supervision team for 25 PhD students in period 1989 – present. Completions since 2008 as follows:

Maria Ruiz-Martos; *An experimental investigation of dynamic choice behavior*; University of Nottingham; awarded 2008.

Michalis Drouvelis, *Essays on framing, free riding and punishment*; University of Nottingham; awarded 2009; ESRC-funded.

Sergio Sousa, *Essays on behavior under risk*; University of Nottingham; awarded 2010.

Niall Flynn, *Essays on interdependent preferences*, University of Nottingham, awarded 2011; ESRC-funded.

Simone Quercia, *The tragedy of the commons, conditional cooperation, and betrayal aversion*, University of Nottingham; awarded 2014.

Jörg Weber, *Essays in financial literacy and decision making*, University of Nottingham; awarded 2015; ESRC-funded.

Benjamin Beranek, *Essays on Inequality aversion, conditional cooperation, and punishment*, University of Nottingham, awarded 2017.

Di Wang, *Essays on decision making under uncertainty*, University of Nottingham, awarded 2017.

Orestis Kopsacheilis, *The Description-Experience Gap in Individual and Social Decisions under Risk and Uncertainty*, University of Nottingham: awarded 2018.

TEACHING

University of Nottingham, 2004-21 (current unless otherwise stated)

<i>Masters:</i>	Behavioural Economic Theory
<i>Undergraduate, Level 3:</i>	Advanced Experimental and Behavioural Economics Advanced Political Economy Explanation in Economics (2010, 2011)
<i>Undergraduate, Level 2:</i>	Experimental and Behavioural Economics (2009-11) Explanation in Economics (2004-2009)

University of East Anglia, 1989-2004

<i>Core Masters:</i>	Macroeconomic Theory; Microeconomic Theory.
<i>Masters options:</i>	Experimental Economics I and II;
<i>Undergraduate, Level 3:</i>	Topics in Economic Analysis (core micro and macro theory);

Undergraduate, Level 2: Information and the Macroeconomy;
Money and Growth.
Undergraduate, Level 1: Strategy and Risk;
Principles of Macroeconomics;
The European Economy;
Public Sector Economics;
Public Choice.
Undergraduate, Level 1: Introductory Economics (macroeconomics component).

University of Oxford, 1985-89

Core undergraduate: Economic Principles;
Economic Organisation;
Undergraduate options: Economic Theory;
Public Economics;
Money;
Labour Economics and Industrial Relations;
First year undergraduate: Introductory Economics

ADMINISTRATION AT UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

University level

University of Nottingham ESRC Doctoral Training Centre (working party for successful application, 2009-2010, which funded 19 FTE 3-year doctoral studentships per annum for 5 years; also Economics Training Cluster Convenor, 2011-13)
University of Nottingham Research Excellence Framework preparation (reviewer for Economics in “Spring Review” and for Social Science and Humanities in “Autumn Review”, 2013)

Departmental

Current:

Senior Tutor, School of Economics, Sept. 2015-present.
School Executive Committee, June 2019-present.
School Undergraduate Teaching Committee, Sept. 2015-present.
School Postgraduate Teaching Committee, Sept. 2015-present.
School Postgraduate Research Committee, Sept. 2018-present.
School Research Ethics Committee, 2010-present.
School Search & Recruitment Committee, Sept. 2017-present.

Previous:

Director of Postgraduate Research, School of Economics (Jan. 2009-Aug. 2013)
School of Economics, Postgraduate Research Committee, (2005-2015);
School of Economics, Management and Strategy Group (2008-13);
School Placement Officer (2005-8);
School Examinations Committee (2004-8);
Academic staff appraiser, 2005;
Selection committees for numerous Assistant Professorships, Lectureships, postdoctoral research positions, Graduate Teaching Fellowships and studentships.

ADMINISTRATION AT UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA

Economics Sector level

1. Head of Economics Sector, Jan.-Dec. 1998 and Jan. 2002-Jul. 2004.
2. Director, Economics Research Centre, Jan.-Dec. 1998 and Jan. 2002-Jul. 2004.
3. Economics Convenor, Research Assessment Exercise, 2001.
4. Quality Assurance Agency Subject Review 2001 (Economics): Lead for “Quality Maintenance and Enhancement” and “Student Progression and Achievement”.
5. Economics Postgraduate Convenor, 1995-7; Chair, Postgraduate Admissions Committee, 1990-93; Examinations Convenor, 1992-4, 1999-2001; Chair of Examiners, MA Economics, 1998, 1999; Selection committees for numerous lectureship appointments.

School of Economic and Social Studies level

1. Chair, Research Committee, 2000-2; and Research & Graduate Studies Committee, Feb. 1996 - Aug. 1997.
2. Member, Promotions Committee, 2001-4; Planning & Estimates Committee 1998-9, 2001-4; Research Committee, 1998.

University Level

1. Board of Graduate Studies, 1996-9; Awards Sub-Committee, 1996-9.
2. Senate representative, Selection committees for three lectureships in Law and for post in Research and Business Development.

EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External Examining

External PhD examiner, University of Oxford, 2015; Universitat Jaume I, 2009; University of York, 2004; University of Oxford, 2000.

Economic and Social Research Council, Board of Examiners, 2002 - 5.

External examiner (undergraduate degrees), University of Oxford, 2001 – 4; University College London, 1999 – 2003; Queen Mary & Westfield College, University of London, 1995 - 8.

Editorial

Editorial Board, *Journal of Economic Methodology*, 2007-present.

Refereeing

Economics journals (general):

American Economic Review, Econometrica, Review of Economic Studies, Economic Journal, Journal of the European Economic Association, European Economic Review, Quantitative Economics, Oxford Economic Papers, *Economica*, Economic Inquiry, Economics Bulletin, Journal of Economic Surveys, Manchester School.

Field journals in Economics:

Economics and Philosophy, Environmental and Resource Economics, Experimental Economics, Games and Economic Behavior, International Journal of Central Banking, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of Economic Methodology, Journal of Economic Psychology, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of Macroeconomics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Risk and Uncertainty, Theory and Decision.

Other disciplines:

Management Science, Mind, Philosophy of the Social Sciences, Physika A, Rationality and Society, Studies in the History and Philosophy of Science, Synthese.

Funding bodies (UK):

British Academy; Economic and Social Research Council; Medical Research Council; Nuffield Foundation.

Funding bodies (international):

National Science Foundation (US); Social Science Research Council of Canada; Austrian Science Fund (FWF).

Publishers:

Oxford University Press; Kluwer Academic Publishers; Edward Elgar; Palgrave (Macmillan).

Other

Programme Committee, Royal Economic Society Annual Conference 2015-18.

Programme Committee, Network for Integrated Behavioural Science, Spring Conference 2014.

Programme Committee, European Economic Association Annual Conference 2014.