

Systems Analysis & Design  
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Workshop No. 1 — Kaggle Systems Engineering Analysis

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Welcome to the first workshop of the *Systems Analysis* course!  
Your mission is to conduct a thorough **systems analysis** of one of the open-priced Kaggle competitions available at <https://www.kaggle.com/competitions?hostSegmentIdFilter=1>.

This analysis will incorporate **systems engineering, elements, inter-element relationships, system sensitivity**, and aspects of **chaos theory**, among other key considerations.

**Workshop Scope and Objectives:**

- **Identify Key Elements:** Select one open-priced Kaggle competition and describe all critical components (e.g., datasets, features, target variables).
- **Mapping Relationships:** Show how these elements interact, including data flows, constraints, and system boundaries.
- **Systems Engineering Perspective:** Apply systems engineering principles to frame the competition problem (requirements, architecture, and lifecycle considerations).
- **Sensitivity Analysis:** Examine how changes in input parameters affect the competition outcomes and discuss potential techniques to quantify these effects.
- **Chaos Theory and Complexity:** Discuss any unpredictable or chaotic aspects you observe in the competition. Where might random, nonlinear, or feedback processes appear?

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**Methodology and Deliverables:**

1. **Competition Overview:** Provide a succinct summary of the competition goal, dataset structure, and any significant constraints.
2. **Systems Analysis Report:**
  - *Systemic Analysis:* Outline all elements and relationships within the context of the competition.
  - *Complexity & Sensitivity:* Present potential constraints, conflicts, or points of variability that can influence outcomes.
  - *Chaos and Randomness:* Note any observed or anticipated chaos theory aspects (e.g., unforeseen interactions or feedback loops).
  - *Conclusion:* Summarize key findings, highlighting potential strengths and weaknesses of the system.
3. **GitHub Repository:**
  - Create a folder in your GitHub repository to store all files related to this workshop (and for the future workshops).
  - Include a `README.md` describing how the analysis was carried out, any code used, and a link to your final PDF report.

**Deadline: Saturday, April 5th, 2025, 8:00 AM.** Failure to submit by the deadline may result in penalties according to course policy.

**Notes:**

- The report and any supplementary documentation must be in **English** and submitted in **PDF format**.
- Provide complete references if you use any external sources.
- This workshop emphasizes your *systems thinking* approach, so highlight any technical or theoretical frameworks you apply.

Good luck, and remember your goal is to apply **systems analysis** principles thoroughly, showcasing your analytical skills in tackling complex data competitions.