

# **Gov 2006: Formal Political Theory II**

## **Section 2**

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# Agenda

- Review problem set
- Three puzzles in models of electoral politics
- In-depth: Dixit, Grossman, & Gul (2000)

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- **Cooperation**: why do incumbents make concessions to the opposition?