Today:

• Introduction to computer vision
• Course logistics
A Penny for your Thoughts

• What single word best describes how you are feeling today?
• What is your main concern as you start your semester?
• Tell us all in the chat window
One Image, Many Questions
Recognition and Re-Identification

- Recognition: Who is this? What does this image depict (face, pedestrian crossing)?
- Re-Identification: Are these two people the same?
- Also recognize activities in video ("crossing" now becomes a verb)
What does “Recognition” Mean Anyway?
Detection and Segmentation

- Detection: Find instances of class x
- Class-Level Segmentation: Which pixels belong to class x?
- Instance-Level Segmentation: Which pixels belong to each instance of class x?
Tracking
Across two or more video frames
3D Reconstruction
From two or more images
Appearance is Tricky
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Logistics
Academic Integrity

• **Short version:** Cheating will be prosecuted
• Cheating: Using someone else’s material or help in your work without giving credit [Lone exception: class materials need not be cited]
• Ditto for making materials available to others
• Giver/receiver are treated the same
• Format for using/making available is immaterial
• Only communication allowed during homework is with your group peers, if any, and with the teaching staff
Videos and Notes

• Videos are full lectures, just edited for brevity
• They will be posted in a media library on Warpwire
• Links to individual videos will also be posted on the syllabus page
• **Notes on the class Syllabus web page are required reading, and are your main source of information along with the videos**
• **Slides are lecture props, NOT study materials**
• **All appendices in the notes are optional reading**
• Feel free to integrate with other sources. See Resources web page
Discussion Sessions

• You attend *one* mandatory discussion session per week
  • Thursday at 8:30am if you are in Section 1
  • Thursday at 1:45pm if you are in Section 2
• OK to switch session occasionally, no need to let me know, but try to stick to yours
• Zoom meeting numbers on mechanics page. Must join from a Zoom account linked to a Duke email address

**Brownie Points:**

• A Piazza thread will be created every week for your discussion questions
• The *first question you submit by the rules and by the Tuesday midnight deadline* earns you *one brownie point*
• Helping to answer questions during discussion earns you *three brownie points*
• You can earn up to 10 brownie points over the semester
Zoom Etiquette

• Please leave your video on if possible
• Please mute yourself to avoid background noise
• Unmute yourself when talking (space bar for brief unmute)
• Resist the strong temptation to sit on your hands: Engage!
Homework

• Homework 0 is on prerequisites and is due before the add/drop deadline
• 6-8 assignments
• Some math, some text, some programming
• OK to work in groups of one, two, three from the same Section [but no division of labor!]
• Jupyter notebooks → HTML → PDF
• Two submissions on Gradescope: PDF, Notebook
• One pair of submissions per group, remember to list all names!
• No late homework accepted (would be unfair to your peers)
• Worst homework score (including 0 for no homework) is dropped
• Second-worst homework counts half as much as each of the others
Exams and Grades

- Exams:
  - One midterm on March 11, synchronous, at your section’s discussion time
  - One final, not cumulative:
    - Section 1: Friday, April 30, 9-11 AM
    - Section 2: Thursday, April 29, 2-4 PM
  - Open book, open notes, submitted via Gradescope

- Grades:
  - Homework: 40% (lowest homework score dropped, second-lowest downscaled)
  - $0.8 \max(\text{Midterm, Final}) + 0.2 \min(\text{Midterm, Final}): 40\%$
  - Participation (brownie points): 18%
  - Class evaluation: 2%
Programming

- All programming will be in **Python 3** (not 2!)
- If you know how to program, picking up Python takes a few hours and Google while you program
- If you don’t know how to program, this class may not be for you
- You will write **Jupyter Notebooks** for homework. They are easy to get used to, and let you intersperse text, math, figures, and code
- A first homework assignment will help you ease into these tools
- The **Anaconda** distribution for everything you need is very strongly recommended
- See the **Resources** web page for tutorials on Python 3, Jupyter, Anaconda
- Specific instructions also given in homework 0
Teaching Staff

- **Graduate TAs**: Haoyu Dong, Xian Sun
- **Undergraduate TAs**: Anmol Warman, Edward Lin, Kunal Upadya, Matthew Robbins, Steven Li, Yuncong Zuo
- If you like this course, please volunteer to TA next year!
- Each of us will have Zoom office hours per week. Office hours can be group or individual as needed
- **Check the online calendar before attending office hours**
- We’ll keep listening to Piazza (at reasonable hours)
- **Talk to us!** We are here to help you learn