

# Course Reminders

- Final Project due Wed, June 9th (11:59 PM)
  - Report (GitHub)
  - Video (one person per group submits on Canvas)
  - Team Evaluation Survey: [link to survey](#) (link also on Canvas)
- Post COGS 108 Survey: [link to survey](#) (link also on Canvas; *optional* for EC)
- CAPEs: <http://www.cape.ucsd.edu/> (42%)

# The Future of Data Science

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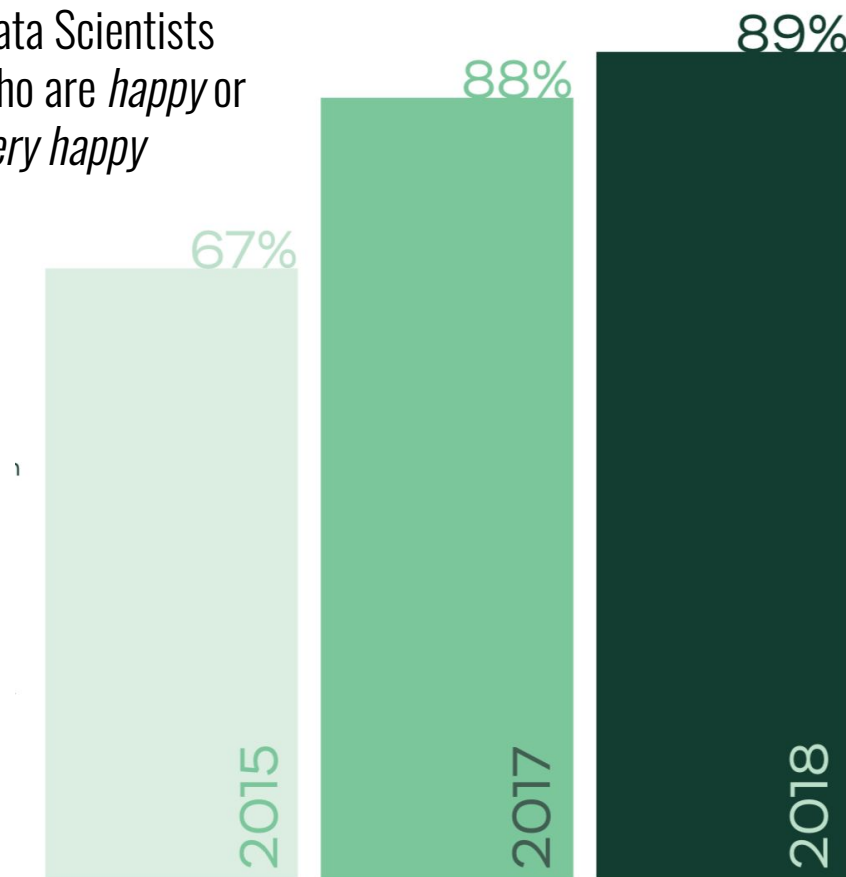
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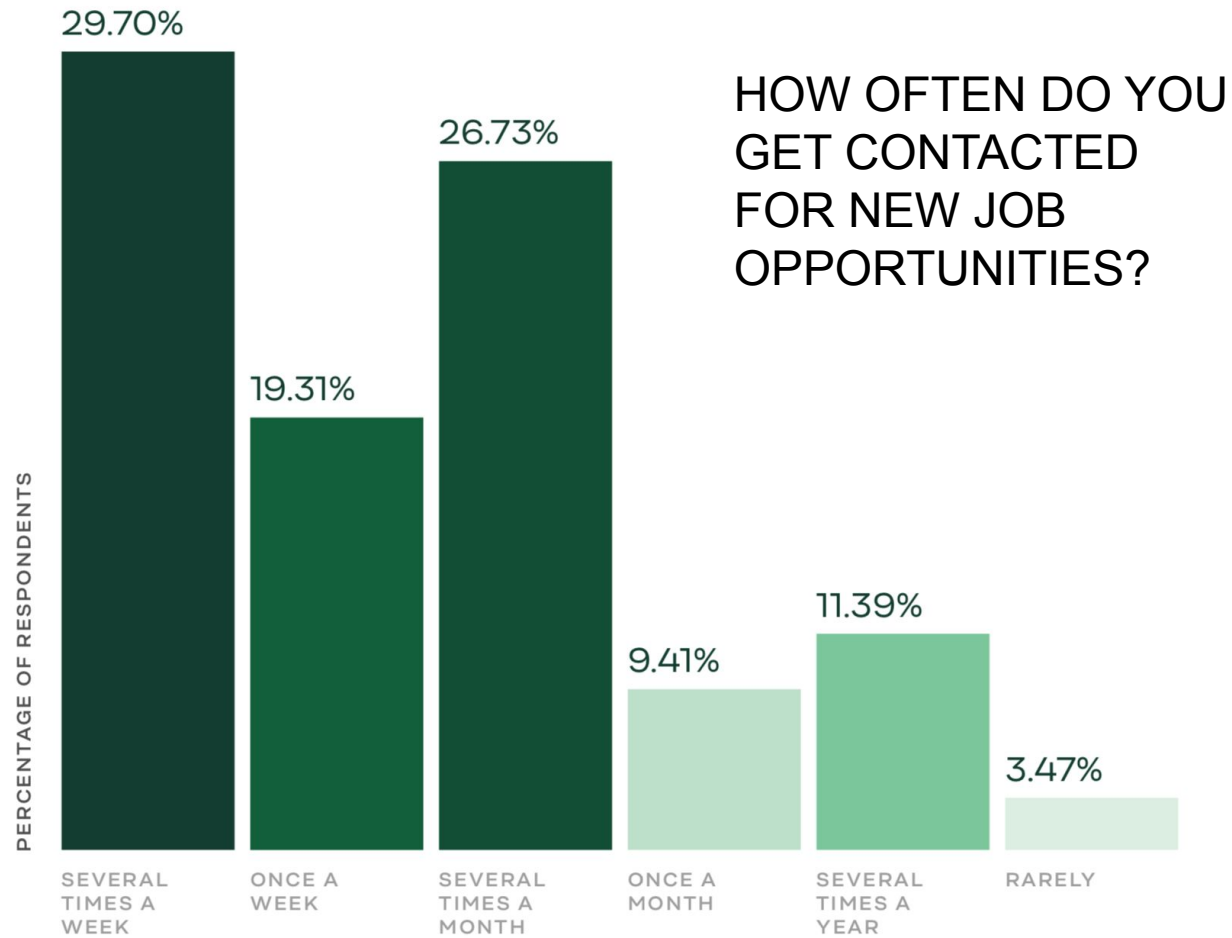
**Where we are now**

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| Top 3 Most Popular Job Titles in the US |                 |                    |                  |              |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Job Title                               |                 | Median Base Salary | Job Satisfaction | Job Openings |
| #1                                      | Java Developer  | \$90,830           | 4.2/5            | 10,103       |
| #2                                      | Data Scientist  | \$113,736          | 4.1/5            | 5,971        |
| #3                                      | Product Manager | \$121,107          | 3.9/5            | 14,515       |

Data Scientists  
who are *happy* or  
*very happy*





## The Ten Most Common Data Science Skills in Job Postings

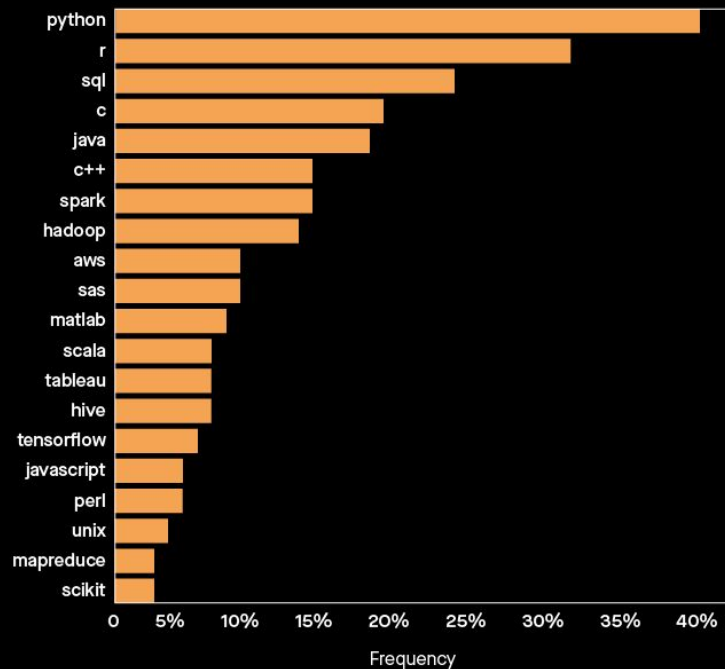
| Skill   | Percentage of Job Listings |
|---------|----------------------------|
| Python  | 72%                        |
| R       | 64%                        |
| SQL     | 51%                        |
| Hadoop  | 39%                        |
| Java    | 33%                        |
| SAS     | 30%                        |
| Spark   | 27%                        |
| Matlab  | 20%                        |
| Hive    | 17%                        |
| Tableau | 14%                        |

Source: Glassdoor Economic Research.

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## Top Data Science Technologies

An analysis of over 7000 job postings shows which technologies appear most frequently in data science job descriptions.



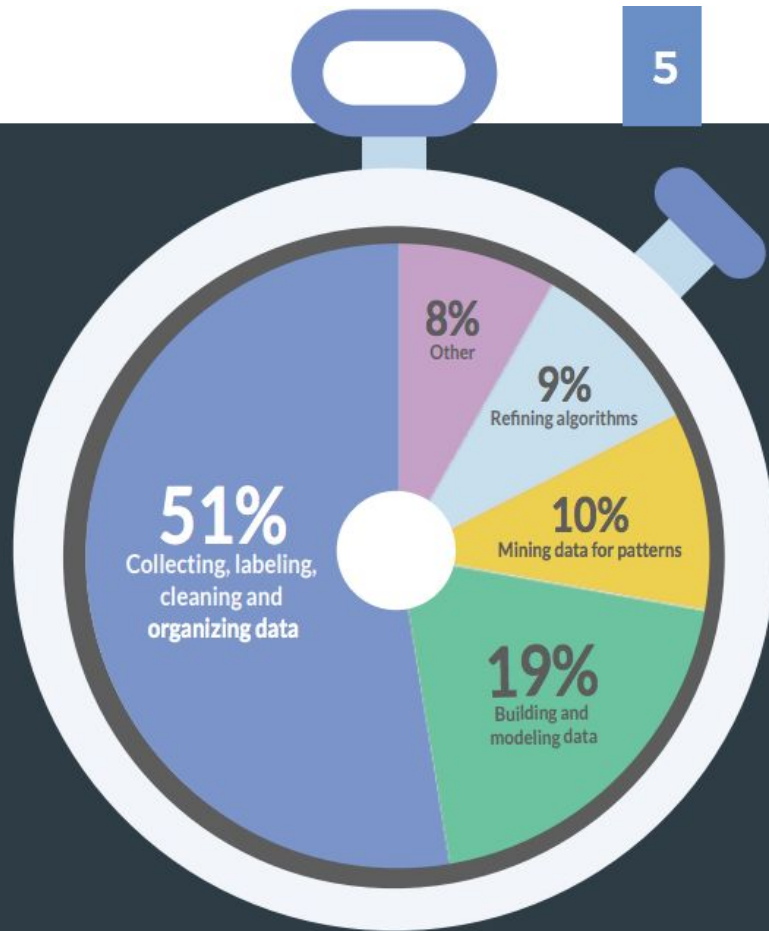
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2. [kaggle.com/sl6149/data-scientist-job-market-in-the-us/home](https://kaggle.com/sl6149/data-scientist-job-market-in-the-us/home)

THINKFUL

# WHAT KEEPS DATA SCIENTISTS HAPPY?

(and why aren't they doing more of it?)

What activity takes up most of your time?





# Glut of new data scientists

First, let's talk about the oversupply of junior data scientists. The [continuing media hype cycle around data science](#) has enormously exploded the amount of junior talent available on the market over the past five years.

This is purely anecdotal evidence, so take it with a large grain of salt. But, based on my own participation as a resume screener, mentor to data scientists leaving boot camps, interviewer, interviewee, and from conversations with friends and colleagues in similar positions, I've developed an intuition that the number of candidates per any given data science position, particularly at the entry level, has grown from 20 or so per slot, to 100 or more. I was talking to a friend recently who had to go through 500 resumes for a single opening.

This is not abnormal. More anecdotal evidence comes from job openings [like this one](#), from machine learning's godfather, Andrew Ng, whose AI startup demanded 70-80 hours a week. He was flooded with applications, after blithely noting that previously many people had tried to volunteer for free. As of this latest writing, they [ran out of space](#) in their current office.

It's very, very hard to estimate the true gap between market demand and supply, but [here's a starting point](#).



Hard things are hard.

**What you all have done**

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# COGS 108: What we've learned

01: Data Science Python, & Version Control

02: Data Intuition, Data wrangling w/ pandas & Ethics

03: Formulating Data Science ?s & Dataviz

04: Data Analysis: Descriptive & EDA

05: Inference

06: Text Analysis

07: Machine Learning

08: Non-parametric Statistics & Geospatial Analysis

09: Dimensionality Reduction & DS Jobs

10: DS Communication

Guest Lecture: Sucheta Jawalkar Ikuenobe

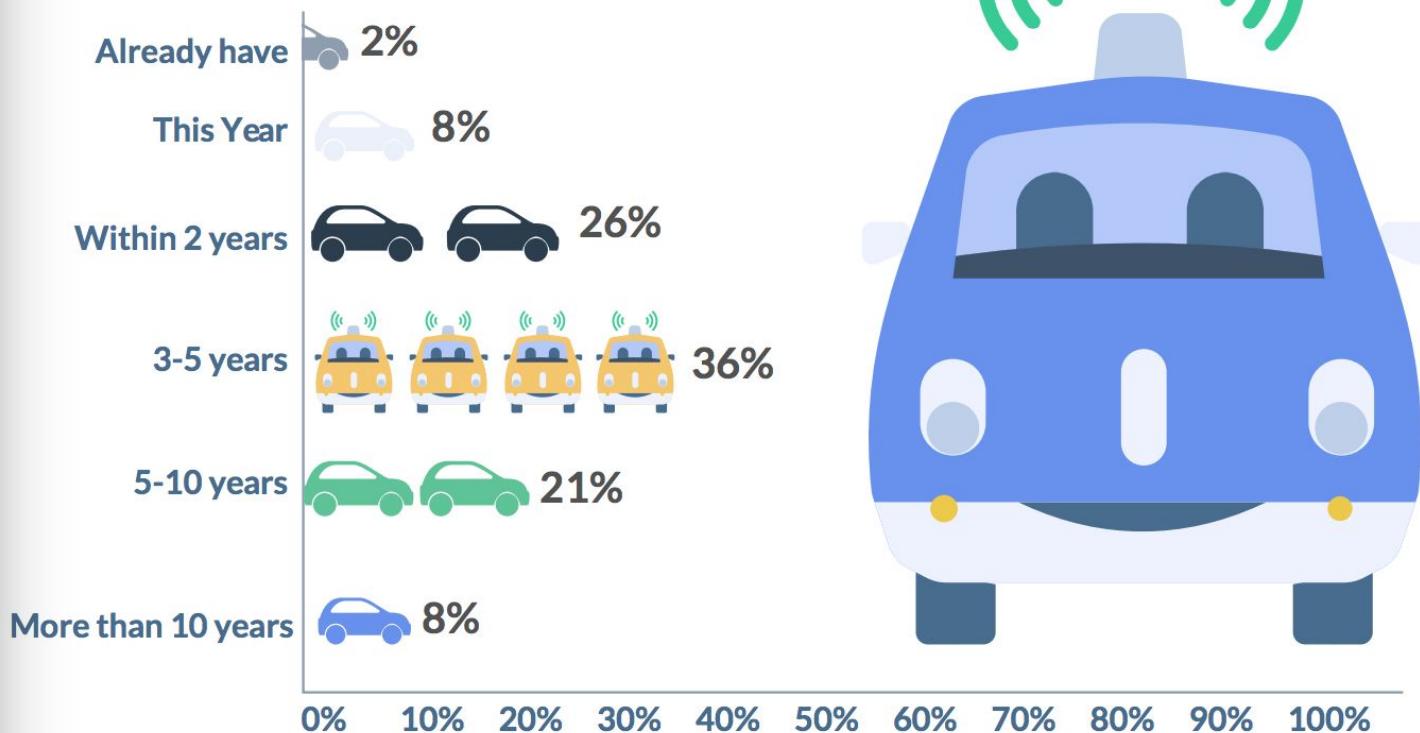
# COGS 108: Final Project Lessons

1. Asking the right question up front really helps
2. Finding the data you need is a skill
  - a. ...so is knowing if the data are reliable
  - b. ...and if they can answer your question
  - c. ....and recognizing what information you don't have
3. Data Visualization and storytelling are important skills.
4. Determining which analytical approach is best is HARD.
5. Programming is merely a piece of the puzzle for data scientists.

**...so where are we going?**

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## When do you think you'll first ride in a SELF-DRIVING CAR?



**Algorithms are fragile**

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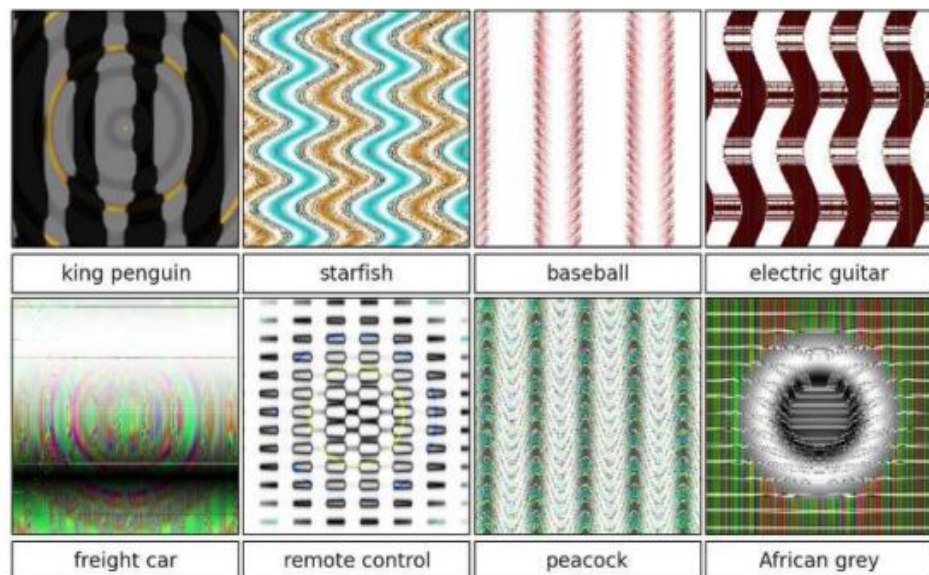
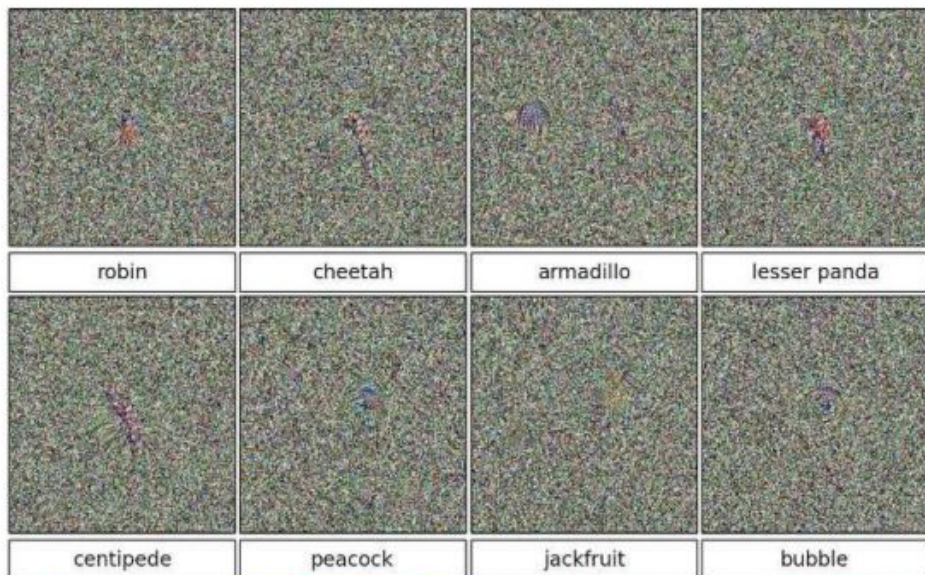


Figure 1. Evolved images that are unrecognizable to humans, but that state-of-the-art DNNs trained on ImageNet believe with  $\geq 99.6\%$  certainty to be a familiar object. This result highlights differences between how DNNs and humans recognize objects. Images are either directly (*top*) or indirectly (*bottom*) encoded.

# Trading program sparked May 'flash crash'



Automatic computerized traders on the stock market shut down as they detected the sharp rise in buying and selling. (NYT)

Government regulators say a trading program was behind the massive stock slide on May 6.

**Algorithms are fragile & powerful**

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# Human-based computation



Levelers critics

Type the two words:

reCAPTCHA™  
stop spam.  
read books.

The image shows a reCAPTCHA interface. At the top, a white rectangular area contains a distorted, low-resolution image of the words "Levelers" and "critics" in a black, serif font. Below this, a yellow rectangular box contains the text "Type the two words:" followed by a white text input field. To the right of the input field is a vertical stack of three red buttons: the top button has a circular arrow icon, the middle button has a speaker icon, and the bottom button has a question mark icon. Further to the right is the reCAPTCHA logo, which consists of a large white 'C' with an arrow, followed by the text "reCAPTCHA™" and "stop spam. read books." below it.



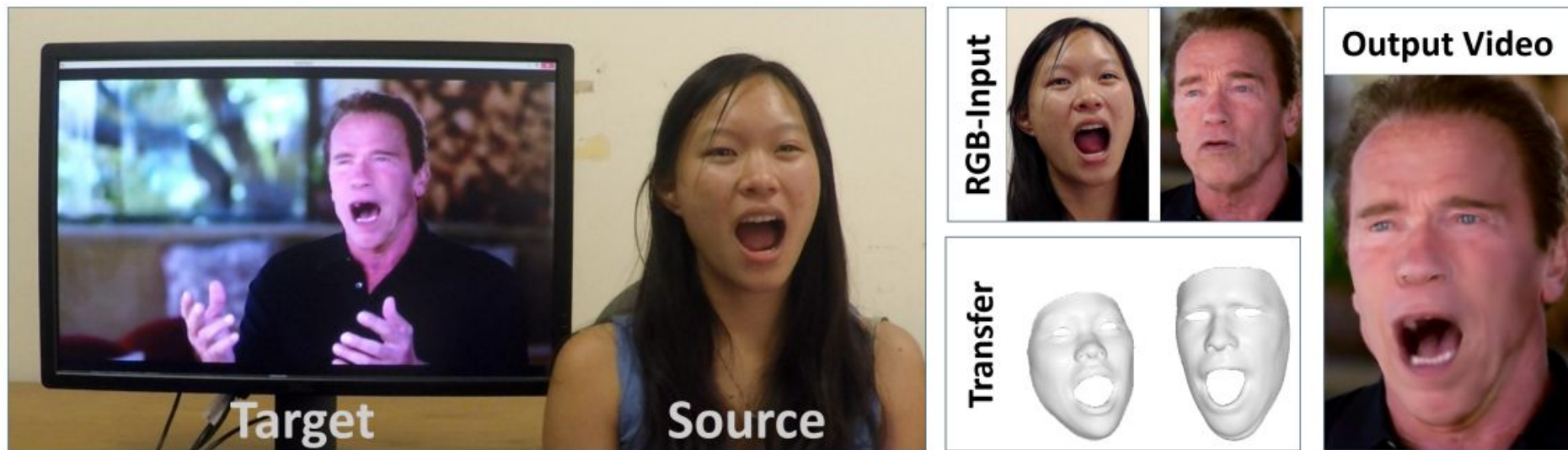
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# Reality manipulation



Proposed online reenactment setup: a monocular target video sequence (e.g., from Youtube) is reenacted based on the expressions of a source actor who is recorded live with a commodity webcam.

# COGS 108 Thank yous!

TAs: Atman, David, Holly, Qin

IAs: Anu, Enoch, Kevin, Tiffany

All of you for your patience, feedback, and time!

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# You all are the future of data science!

So, if you remember anything from this course...



Ethics should always be a priority in your work.



Data wrangling is a puzzle and a big part of the job. When done well, it's not boring!



Data science is a competitive, but rewarding field. You have a chance to make a big difference!



Your grade in this course is probably not predictive of future success.



**My hope is that all of you go on  
to (continue to) be good people  
who are happy & successful**

**Thanks for taking COGS 108!**

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