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# CS231n: Deep Learning for Computer Vision

**Stanford - Spring 2022**

## Schedule

- **Lectures** will occur Tuesday/Thursday from 1:30-3:00pm Pacific Time at NVIDIA Auditorium (<https://goo.gl/maps/hRjQYd6MqxvB2>).
- **Discussion** sections will (generally) occur on Fridays between 1:30-2:30pm Pacific Time on Zoom. Check Ed (<https://edstem.org/us/courses/21177>) for any exceptions.

Updated lecture slides will be posted here shortly before each lecture. For ease of reading, we have color-coded the lecture category titles in blue, discussion sections (and final project poster session) in yellow, and the midterm exam in red. Note that the schedule is subject to change as the quarter progresses.

Date
Description
Course Materials
Events
Deadlines

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<b>Lecture 1: Introduction</b> Computer vision overview Historical context Course logistics [slides 1 ( <a href="slides/2022/lecture_1_1_feifei.pdf">slides/2022/lecture_1_1_feifei.pdf</a> )] [slides 2 ( <a href="slides/2022/lecture_1_2_ruohan.pdf">slides/2022/lecture_1_2_ruohan.pdf</a> )]

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## Deep Learning Basics

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### Lecture 2: Image Classification with Linear Classifiers

The data-driven approach

K-nearest neighbor

Linear Classifiers

Algebraic / Visual / Geometric viewpoints

SVM and Softmax loss

[slides ([slides/2022/lecture\\_2\\_ruohan.pdf](https://cs231n.github.io/slides/2022/lecture_2_ruohan.pdf))]

Image Classification Problem (<https://cs231n.github.io/classification/>)

Linear Classification (<https://cs231n.github.io/linear-classify/>)

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Python / Numpy Review Session

[Colab

(<https://colab.research.google.com/github/cs231n/cs231n.github.io/blob/master/python-colab.ipynb>)] [Tutorial (<https://cs231n.github.io/python-numpy-tutorial/>)]

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Assignment 1 **out**

[handout (<https://cs231n.github.io/assignments2022/assignment1/>)] [colab ([https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2022/assignment1\\_colab.zip](https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2022/assignment1_colab.zip))]

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### Lecture 3: Regularization and Optimization

Regularization

Stochastic Gradient Descent

Momentum, AdaGrad, Adam

Learning rate schedules

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_3\_ruohan.pdf)]

Optimization (<https://cs231n.github.io/optimization-1/>)

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### Lecture 4: Neural Networks and Backpropagation

Multi-layer Perceptron

Backpropagation

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_4\_ruohan.pdf)]

Backprop (<http://cs231n.github.io/optimization-2>)

Linear backprop example (handouts/linear-backprop.pdf)

Suggested Readings:

1. Why Momentum Really Works (<https://distill.pub/2017/momentum/>)
2. Derivatives notes (handouts/derivatives.pdf)
3. Efficient backprop (<http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/publis/pdf/lecun-98b.pdf>)
4. More backprop references: [1] (<http://colah.github.io/posts/2015-08-Backprop/>), [2] (<http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/chap2.html>), [3] (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q0pm3BrIUFo>)

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Backprop Review Session

[slides (slides/2022/discussion\_2\_backprop.pdf)]

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## Perceiving and Understanding the Visual World

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### Lecture 5: Image Classification with CNNs

History

Higher-level representations, image features

Convolution and pooling

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_5\_ruohan.pdf)]

Convolutional Networks (<http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks>)

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Final Project Overview and Guidelines

[slides (slides/2022/discussion\_3\_project.pdf)]

🕒 3:00-4:00pm PT

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### Lecture 6: CNN Architectures

Batch Normalization

Transfer learning

AlexNet, VGG, GoogLeNet, ResNet

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_6\_jiajun.pdf)]

AlexNet (<https://papers.nips.cc/paper/4824-imagenet-classification-with-deep-convolutional-neural-networks.pdf>), VGGNet (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1409.1556>), GoogLeNet (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1409.4842>), ResNet (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1512.03385>)

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Assignment 2 **out**

[handout (<https://cs231n.github.io/assignments2022/assignment2/>)] [colab ([https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2022/assignment2\\_colab.zip](https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2022/assignment2_colab.zip))]

Assignment 1 **due**

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Project proposal **due**

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## Lecture 7: Training Neural Networks

Activation functions

Data processing

Weight initialization

Hyperparameter tuning

Data augmentation

[slides ([slides/2022/lecture\\_7\\_ruohan.pdf](slides/2022/lecture_7_ruohan.pdf))]

Neural Networks, Parts 1 (<http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-1>), 2 (<http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-2>), 3 (<http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-3>)  
Suggested Readings:

1. Stochastic Gradient Descent Tricks (<http://research.microsoft.com/pubs/192769/tricks-2012.pdf>)
2. Efficient Backprop (<http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/publis/pdf/lecun-98b.pdf>)
3. Practical Recommendations for Gradient-based Training (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1206.5533v2.pdf>)
4. Deep Learning, Nature 2015 (<https://www.nature.com/articles/nature14539>)
5. An Overview of Gradient Descent Algorithms (<https://ruder.io/optimizing-gradient-descent/>)
6. A Disciplined Approach to Neural Network Hyper-Parameters (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.09820>)

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### **Lecture 8: Visualizing and Understanding**

Feature visualization and inversion

Adversarial examples

DeepDream and style transfer

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_8\_ruohan.pdf)]

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PyTorch Review Session

[slides (slides/2022/discussion\_4\_pytorch.pdf)]

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### **Lecture 9: Object Detection and Image Segmentation**

Single-stage detectors

Two-stage detectors

Semantic/Instance/Panoptic segmentation

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_9\_jiajun.pdf)]

FCN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1411.4038>), R-CNN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1311.2524>), Fast R-CNN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1504.08083>), Faster R-CNN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.01497>), YOLO (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.02640>)

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## Lecture 10: Recurrent Neural Networks

RNN, LSTM, GRU

Language modeling

Image captioning

Sequence-to-sequence

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_10\_ruohan.pdf)]

Suggested Readings:

1. DL book RNN chapter (<http://www.deeplearningbook.org/contents/rnn.html>)
2. Understanding LSTM Networks (<https://colah.github.io/posts/2015-08-Understanding-LSTMs/>)

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Object Detection & RNNs Review Session

[slides (slides/2022/discussion\_5\_detection.pdf)]

🕒 2:30-3:30pm PT

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Assignment 2 **due**

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## Lecture 11: Attention and Transformers

Self-Attention

Transformers

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_11\_ruohan.pdf)]

Suggested Readings:

1. Attention is All You Need [Original Transformers Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.03762>)]
2. Attention? Attention [Blog by Lilian Weng (<https://lilianweng.github.io/lil-log/2018/06/24/attention-attention.html>)]
3. The Illustrated Transformer [Blog by Jay Alammar (<http://jalammar.github.io/illustrated-transformer/>)]
4. ViT: Transformers for Image Recognition [Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.11929>)] [Blog (<https://ai.googleblog.com/2020/12/transformers-for-image-recognition-at.html?m=1>)] [Video ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrdevFK\\_am4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrdevFK_am4))]
5. DETR: End-to-End Object Detection with Transformers [Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.12872>)] [Blog (<https://ai.facebook.com/blog/end-to-end-object-detection-with-transformers/>)] [Video ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrdevFK\\_am4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrdevFK_am4))]

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## Lecture 12: Video Understanding

Video classification

3D CNNs

Two-stream networks

Multimodal video understanding

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_12\_ruohan.pdf)]

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Midterm Review Session

🕒 2:30-3:30pm PT



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Project milestone **due**

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### **In-Class Midterm**

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Assignment 3 **out** [handout (<https://cs231n.github.io/assignments2022/assignment3/>)] [colab ([https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2022/assignment3\\_colab.zip](https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2022/assignment3_colab.zip))]

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### **Reconstructing and Interacting with the Visual World**

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#### **Lecture 13: Generative Models**

Supervised vs. Unsupervised learning

Pixel RNN, Pixel CNN

Variational Autoencoders

Generative Adversarial Networks

[slides ([slides/2022/lecture\\_13\\_jiajun.pdf](slides/2022/lecture_13_jiajun.pdf))]

Suggested Readings:

1. Image GPT: Generative Pretraining From Pixels [Paper ([https://cdn.openai.com/papers/Generative\\_Pretraining\\_from\\_Pixels\\_V2.pdf](https://cdn.openai.com/papers/Generative_Pretraining_from_Pixels_V2.pdf))] [Blog (<https://openai.com/blog/image-gpt/>)]

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## Lecture 14: Self-supervised Learning

Pretext tasks

Contrastive learning

Multisensory supervision

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_14\_jiajun.pdf)]

Suggested Readings:

1. Lilian Weng Blog Post (<https://lilianweng.github.io/lil-log/2019/11/10/self-supervised-learning.html>)
2. DINO: Emerging Properties in Self-Supervised Vision Transformers [Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.14294>)] [Blog (<https://ai.facebook.com/blog/dino-paws-computer-vision-with-self-supervised-transformers-and-10x-more-efficient-training>)] [Video (<https://youtu.be/h3ij3F3cPIk>)]

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## Lecture 15: Low-Level Vision

(Guest Lecture by Prof. Jia Deng (<https://www.cs.princeton.edu/~jiadeng/>) from Princeton University)

Optical flow

Depth estimation

Stereo vision

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_15\_jia.pdf)]

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## Lecture 16: 3D Vision

3D shape representations

Shape reconstruction

Neural implicit representations

[slides (slides/2022/lecture\_16\_jiajun.pdf)]

Assignment 3 **due**

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## Human-Centered Applications and Implications

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### Lecture 17: Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence

AI & healthcare

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### Lecture 18: Fairness in Visual Recognition

(Guest Lecture by Prof. Olga Russakovsky (<https://www.cs.princeton.edu/~olgarus/>) from Princeton University)

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Project final report **due**

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### Final Project Poster Session

Note: Only open to the Stanford community and invited guests.

🕒 3:30-6:30pm

Location: Alumni Center McCaw Hall/Ford Gardens

Click **here** (<https://edstem.org/us/courses/21177/discussion/1553751>) for the logistics and expectations.

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Project poster PDF <b>due</b>