## First Day

Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:03 PM

- This course is scaled down (3 HWs instead of 6) because it was too much work.
  - o Unclear if this is the first time it's been scaled down or not.
- I'm not sure if this is a bad day or this guy hates teaching undergrads or what, but he couldn't sound more disappointed to be here if he tried.
  - o He's also very cocky: "3rd generation of AI royalty"
  - His big thing is evolutionary robotics
- This course is a survey of many types of Al.
- Final is cumulative but emphasizes post-midterm learning
- It sounds like getting a 1 on a reading comment for just doing it, and getting a 2 is for any sort of meaningful comment.
  - You only get one graded comment per paper. You're mostly only supposed to write one comment period per paper, but if you write more then one their grades will be combined in an indeterminate way.
- Brandeis requires that the final is 3h long, but it's actually a 2h test.
- He's very concerned about an Al Winter (Al bubble bursts, and then there's no investment for a while).