Welcome to C106A/206A!

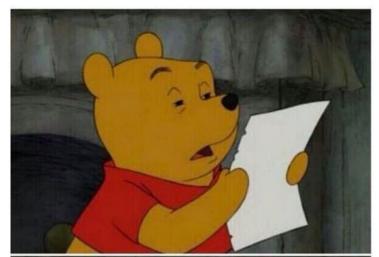
Introduction to Robotics

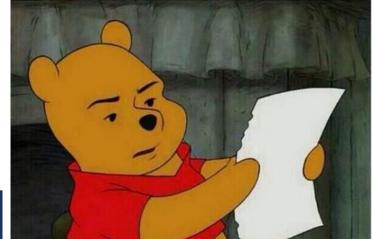
Professor Shankar Sastry Head TAs: Amay Saxena, Tiffany Cappellari, Jaeyun Stella Seo



Course Logistics

Looking at that first syllabus like







Prerequisites

- Knowledge of linear algebra
- Programming in Python
- Curiosity about how things work
- Interest in experimental work
- Willingness to explore

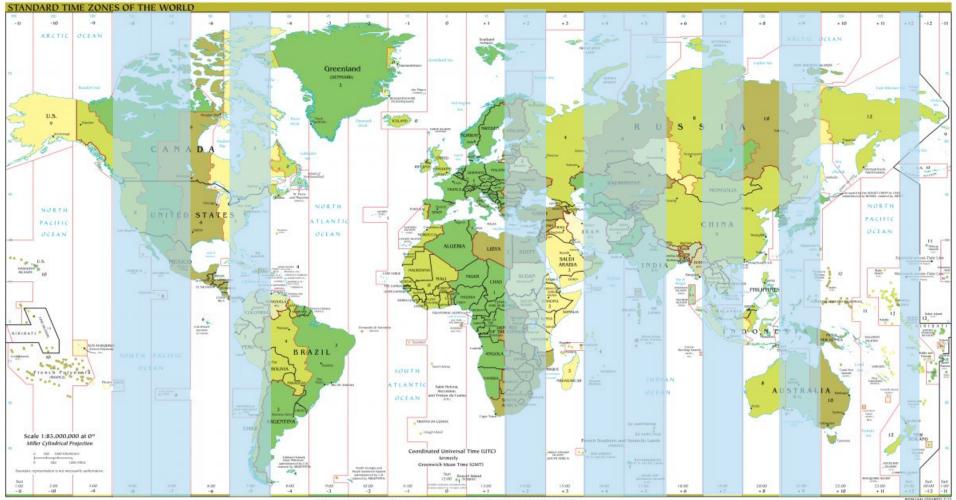
EE 120 is not a hard prerequisite



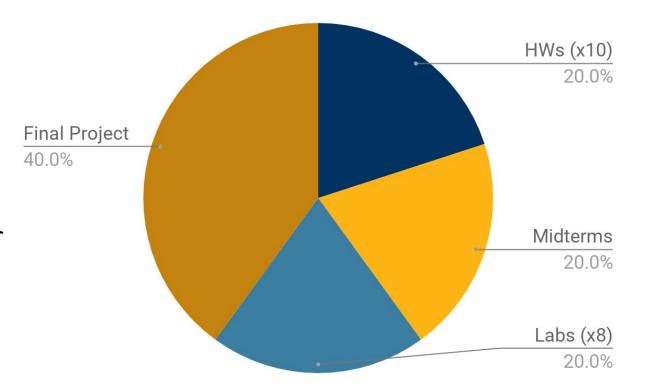
Course Resources

- Course website: https://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~ee106a/
 - o Lectures, Webcasts, Labs, Homework, etc
- Piazza: https://piazza.com/class/kdureom7avo7lf
 - o Communication, Questions, Homework Solutions
- Gradescope: Code MJZ8V6
 - Turning in homework
- Everything can be completed asynchronously!





Grading Breakdown





Homework Policy

Homework Cycle

- Released Wednesdays @5pm
- HW parties on Fridays, @4-7pm
- Due Tuesdays @11:59pm
- Solutions released Fridays (3 days after due date)
- Through early November
- HW 0 has been released, including the Syllabus Quiz on Gradescope (due 09/01 11:59pm)

Slip Days

- Five (5) free slip days! No penalty incurred
- Maximum of two (2) slip days on any one assignment
- Cannot be used on Final Project deliverables



Midterms

- Midterm I: Wednesday, September 30th at 8pm
 - Rotations, Kinematics
- Midterm II: Wednesday, November 18 at 8pm
 - o Jacobians, Dynamics, Controls
- 24 hour window to take the exam, expected completion time ~2 hr
- In-class review session
- Open note & Internet, but not open-peer (Academic Honesty!)
- No final exam



Labs

- Please fill out the <u>Pre-semester scheduling jamboree!</u> By 11:59pm tonight to be assigned a lab
 - Will honor lab partner requests
 - Find a lab partner via Piazza on Friday
- Synchronous students labs are opportunities to get real-time help
 - Please attend your assigned section to prevent massive delays
 - Labor Day students can attend any section
- Asynchronous students Piazza & office hours
- Lab 0 has been released and must be completed by the start of your lab section
- Labs 1 & 2 are due at the start of the next lab



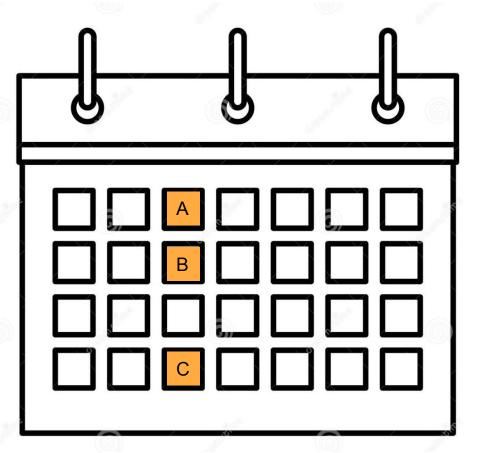
Lab Modules

Week 1: Lab A (odd #)

Week 2: Lab B (even #)

Week 3: Buffer week (full credit for Labs A & B)

Labs A & B due before the lab section for Lab





Lecture & Discussion

LECTURE

- 3x 20 min chunks followed by 5 min discussion
- Live lecture will be recorded and linked on the website

DISCUSSION

- 1-hr sections dedicated to conceptual help and problem-solving
- 1 section will be recorded and linked on the website
- Start next week (09/04)
- We will only be able to offer 3 discussion sections



Office Hours

- Start immediately after lecture!
- Schedule on website: https://ucb-ee106.github.io/106a-fa20site/schedule/
- For HW help: Amay, Isabella, Donggun
- For Lab help: Tiffany, Ron, Stella, Jay, Ritika, Kyoungtae
- For Admin help: Stella
- Prof. Sastry best for deep conceptual questions



Final Project

- Not all details have been finalized, but a more concrete description will be announced before the drop deadline
- Simulation Projects
- Design Sprint Projects
- In-person Projects (???)





Final Project Timeline

- Project Ideas: September
 - We'll release a list of project ideas and hold a discussion in early October
- Mini-proposal: October 2
 - We'll review these and schedule individual meetings with each group
- Project Meetings: week of October 19
- Final Proposal and Parts List: October 30
- Project Work: After Midterm 2
- No more homework, discussions, labs
- Demos: December 10 and 11
- Final Reports: December 18



This semester is bananas.





- It's okay to be stressed.
- We're here to help.
- Please communicate with us.

