Administrivia

Geometric Algorithms
Lecture 0

CAS CS 132

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» PageRank

» Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

» neural networks, support vector machines, convolution

How is this course run?

material is on the course website

discussion + announcements are on Piazza

submission + grading is on Gradescope

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If you're on Windows, I generally recommend installing a WSL environment

What's the workload?

(it's a fair amount, but hopefully still fair)

2   lectures / week

1   discussion section / week

1   assignment (written) / week

1   lab / 2 weeks

1   quiz / 2 weeks

2   exams (midterm, final)

How are we graded?

15%   Assignments (12 total, 2 dropped)

15%   Labs (6 total, 1 dropped)

25%   Quizzes (6 total, 2 dropped)

20%   Midterm Exam (October 21 during class)

25%   Final Exam (Date TBD, Cumulative)

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Anything else?

This is just an outline of the course. **You must read the entire course manual**

Please contact me as soon as possible if you need disability accommodations

Don't hesitate to suggest how to make this course better

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