1 Introduction
Welcome to CS4! We’re very excited to get started, but we need to get some logistical tasks out of the way first. Please get all of the following to-do’s done as soon as possible (preferably by the end of your first TA section). If you have any questions do not hesitate to reach out and email the HTAs at cs0040headtas@lists.brown.edu.

2 To-Do Checklist (roughly 4 hours total, can be less)

>> Information
Visit our website! (as many times as you want)
Here is our hyperlinked course website, where you will find all the course documents you’ll need to be successful in this course.

Read the Course Missive (10-20 min)
Our CS 0040 Spring 2018 Syllabus / Course Missive is located here.

Read Collaboration Policy (5-10 minutes)
Each CS course has a specific set of rules that specify the degree and the nature of any work you do with other students in the class. It is essential that you understand these policies, so you will need to read the policies and sign an electronic document confirming that you agree to abide by these rules. Here is our CS 0040 Collaboration Policy.

Complete Collaboration Policy Agreement (< 5 minutes)
After reading the collaboration policy, please complete the Google form.

>> Logistics and Scheduling
Sign up for Piazza (< 5 minutes)
Piazza is an online forum that is a great way for the instructor and TA staff to answer any questions you may have about assignments or course logistics. Before you can post, you must create a Piazza account. The link to register is here (https://piazza.com/brown/spring2019/cs4). It can also be found under "Quick Links" on the course homepage. If you have any problems or
questions about the other steps in this document, please post them on Piazza. Please use your Brown email account (xxx_yyy@brown.edu). Students enrolled should have received an email invite.

TA Section Preferences Form (5-10 minutes)
We need to get some information about you as well as your availability for TA sections. The TA sections will be the main component of the course in which you will be interacting with our wonderful TA staff. Please try and complete the survey by Tuesday, January 29th at 11:59pm. We will have preliminary assignments for lab sections by the middle of the second week of classes. TA sections will begin on Monday, February 4th. The survey can be found here.

>> Technology

Install Python (1+ hours)
In order to run Python for the purposes of this course, you’ll need to install a few different things: Atom, Anaconda and PyCharm. Please follow our CS4 Python Installation Guide.

Install MATLAB (2+ hours)
Please see the CS4 MATLAB Installation Guide to complete installation. Also please note that this installation does not need to be done ASAP, but it’s prudent to get it done before the second half of the course where we actually use MATLAB.