Hello, World.

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Preliminaries

- Syllabus
- Survey
- Class Structure
 - Mostly hands on labs
 - Mini-lectures (Me and Sara)
 - Guest lectures
 - Trips

About Me

- CS degree from St. Mary's College of Maryland
- Worked for the Navy as a programmer
- Two years of graduate study at GWU

Why are you here?

- No grades!
- Robots are awesome

"Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic." - Arthur C. Clarke

Two Weeks

- We have very little time
- It would take years to start with the basics
- We're going to jump right in
- As such, you will have to accept that some things just simply work a certain way.

This is okay

- It's what everyone does anyway
- No single person can understand a computer from top to bottom anymore
- You can use a cell phone without being an expert

What you will learn

- High level concepts
- Intro to CS
- Intro to Robotics

Let's begin