

ABGN #8

Adam's Bimonthly Grad Newsletter

My New Apartment

I moved in with some new roommates: Minnick and David (from previous letters) and Andrew, a new friend. The place is all set up, complete with an old CRT (a Trinitron!) and Minnick's posh wine fridge.



Andrew (left) and Minnick (right) at the new place

Pumpkins

In keeping with my strong belief in the binding strength of pumpkin carving, I organized a trek to the punkin patch and an afternoon of happy knifework. These are the results.



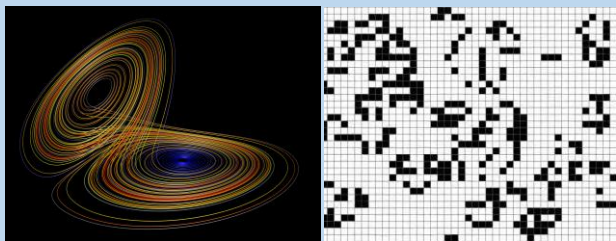
Lots of friends with pumpkins! Mine's the illuminated Falco in the middle

School Update

In the last issue, the pressing question was: will Adam pass his prelims? Halfway! Still a little work to do for quantum, my longstanding enemy.

In the meantime, I'm starting to do some research at the Complexity Sciences Center. Right now I'm playing with neural nets.

I'm TAing Physics 7C, the last of the 7 series. I've decided teaching at night is ideal for me.



The Lorenz Attractor (left) and some Cellular Automata (right); complexity toy examples

New Character Profile: Darcy, GF

Name: Darcy

Type: Hydrology Master's Student

Origin: Topanga, CA

Fun Facts: Can perform oil changes; tried to tell me that Descartes' brain-in-a-box had been "debunked a long time ago;" prefers a diet of corn chips, shrimp, and broccoli; squats with knees beyond toes. Likes water.



Darcy trying to work

UCD Physics Banner, Fall 2018



One Second Everyday

For a taste of what life's like out here, check out my 1 Second Everyday video for grad school so far. You can find it on my Facebook profile or on my website (pardon the construction!):

<http://kunesh.physics.ucdavis.edu/1SEYear1.mp4>

I'll be home for Thanksgiving (Nov. 22-26) and some of Winter Break (~Dec. 22-Jan. 3)!

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