Hello everyone,

This email is to serve as a reminder that we are going to begin Poppers starting with this Wednesday's material, Section 2.2 (first ones due on Friday, April 8).

Poppers are going to be a series of multiple choice questions that will be presented as part of that day's lecture. Depending on their difficulty the number of questions will vary. They will be presented during the recorded lectures, sometimes at several different times, and also available in the completed notes. Either when watching the videos or anytime before the end of the due date (11:59 pm), you need to log into casa and transpose these answers into the appropriate Popper # assignment in the EMCF tab. The questions will not appear in the Blank Notes or as a separate document. The Popper EMCF will be available for you to fill in until the end of the due date only, so be certain to find a few minutes to do this.

The purpose of these questions is to serve as a record of class attendance. Due to this being an Online course, this serves as a way to ensure that everyone is at least watching the videos or reviewing the completed notes. Since the questions are only presented during the recorded session and in the Completed Notes, in order to answer them, you must have reviewed one of these two items.

Keep in mind what percentage of your final grade these amount to before you begin stressing over something that is roughly one-tenth of 1 point on your course average.

Due to the fact that "life happens" and it is expected that nearly no one will have perfect attendance for the entire semester, Poppers will be graded out of 85% of the total number of questions. (If there were, hypothetically, 260 total popper questions during the course, any score of 221 or more would be graded as 100%.) This means that you can miss roughly half a week of Poppers and not have any negative impact on your grade.

If you have any questions, please ask before you the assignment deadline.

--Dr. Matt