

Machine Learning (part II)

Introduction to the course

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The course

- 12 training credits (CFU)
 - Part I (6 CFU)
 - Teacher – Prof. Francesco Camastra
 - Part II (6 CFU)
 - Teacher – Prof. Angelo Ciaramella
- Theoretical part
 - Frontal lectures
 - Practices
 - theoretical
 - laboratory



The course

■ Examination

■ Theoretical/practical project

- Topic chosen by the student or the teachers
- Term paper

■ Oral interview

- Presentation
- Project explanation



Lecture timetable

■ Lecture Timetable

■ Monday

■ 11:00 a.m. - 01:00 p.m.

■ Wednesday

■ 11:00 a.m. - 01:00 p.m.

■ Office hours

■ Monday

■ 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

■ “On demand”

■ via e-mail



Objectives of the course

- The course aims to provide the **theoretical** and **practical** foundations of **Deep Learning** methodologies for **Artificial Intelligence** applications
 - Computational Intelligence
 - Deep Neural Network
 - Unsupervised learning
 - Supervised learning
 - Validation methods



Teaching materials

■ Recommended books

■ Deep Learning, Foundations and Concepts

- C. M. Bishop, H. Bishop, Springer, 2023
- Available on-line: <https://www.bishopbook.com>

■ Deep Learning

- I. Goodfellow, Y. Bengio, A. Courville, MIT Press, 2016
- Available on-line: <https://www.deeplearningbook.org>

■ Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning

- J. C. Bishop, Springer, 2006
- Available on-line: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/research/uploads/prod/2006/01/Bishop-Pattern-Recognition-and-Machine-Learning-2006.pdf>

■ Neural Networks for Pattern Recognition

- J. C. Bishop, Oxford University Press, 1995



Teaching materials

- Practical books

- Hands-on Machine Learning with Scikit-Learn, Keras, and TensorFlow

- A. Geron, 2nd edition, O'Reilly, 2019

- Python notebooks: <https://github.com/ageron/handson-ml2>



Teaching materials

- Books for further study on the subject
 - Probabilistic Machine Learning: An Introduction
 - Kevin P. Murphy, MIT Press, 2022
 - Available on-line: <https://probml.github.io/pml-book/book1.html>
 - Understanding Deep Learning
 - S. J. D. Prince, 2024
 - Available on-line: <https://udlbook.github.io/udlbook/>
 - Python notebooks available
 - Manuale sulle reti neurali
 - D. Floreano, C. Mattiussi, Il Mulino, 2002



Syllabus

- **Introduction**
 - Artificial Intelligence and Deep Learning
 - Computational Intelligence vs. Machine Learning
- **Foundations of Neural Networks**
 - Biological Neuron and Artificial Neuron
 - Hebb's rule
- **Probability and Distributions**
 - Bayes' theorem
 - Information theory
 - Standard Distributions
 - Discrete variables
 - Multivariate Gaussian



Syllabus

- **Hebbian and self-organizing Neural Networks**
 - Oja's and Sanger's rules
 - Neural Network for Principal and Independent Component Analysis
 - Neural networks based on competition mechanisms
 - Kohonen's Maps
 - Adaptive Resonance Theory
- **Supervised Neural Networks**
 - Single-Layer Networks
 - Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)
 - Universal Approximation
 - Kolmogorov theorem
 - Back-propagation algorithm
 - MLP vs Radial Basis Functions
 - MLP and Vapnik – Chervonenkis dimension



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- **Supervised Neural Networks and optimization algorithms**
 - Descending gradient, conjugate gradient, scaled conjugate gradient, Newton method, Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm, constrained optimization
- **Pre-processing and feature extraction**
 - Whitening
 - Fisher's linear discriminant
 - criteria for selecting features



Syllabus

- Learning and generalization
 - bias-variance dilemma
 - regularization
 - NNs committee
 - cross-validation
 - mixture of experts
 - drop-out



Syllabus

- Deep Neural Networks
 - Convolutional Neural Networks
 - Recurrent Neural Networks
 - Echo State Networks
 - Long Short-Term Memory
 - Recursive Neural Networks
- Transformers
 - Attention
 - Multimodal Transformers
- Graph Neural Networks
 - Neural Message-Passing
 - General Graph Neural Networks



Syllabus

- Autoencoders
 - Deterministic Autoencoders
 - Variational Autoencoders
- Diffusion Models
 - Forward encoder
 - Reverse Decoder
 - Score matching



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- **Deep Generative Models**
 - Deep Belief Networks
 - Deep Boltzmann Machines

- **Sampling Methods**
 - Need for Sampling
 - Basic Sampling Methods
 - Markov Chain Monte Carlo Sampling
 - Gibbs Sampling



Syllabus

- Reinforcement Learning
 - Q-Learning
 - Deep Reinforcement Learning
- Explainable AI
 - Neuro-Symbolic models
 - Neuro-Fuzzy models
- Validation methods
 - Confusion matrix and indices
 - ROC curve
 - Statistical significance



Syllabus

- Python and Machine Learning frameworks
 - Scikit-Learn
 - Keras
 - TensorFlow
 - Notebooks on the e-learning platform

