



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

### Advanced Machine Learning

2122-2-F1801Q151

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#### Aims

This machine learning advanced course is aimed especially for students who are already familiar with the basics of machine learning and wish to strengthen their knowledge and explore important advanced topics in order to possess in-depth and wide range capabilities at this so important field.

The course will cover some of the most important advanced topics in machine learning such deep learning and reinforcement learning, with their underlying theory but also a focus on modeling and practical implementation.

These advanced techniques will be applied to a number of applications, including: image recognition, natural language processing, recommendation systems.

#### Contents

Introduction to Deep Learning

Optimization techniques for training deep models

Convolutional Neural Networks

Unsupervised representation learning

Deep Learning for data sequences

Reinforcement learning

## Detailed program

Training Deep Networks:

Objective functions

Activation Functions

Regularization

Gradient-based optimization

Focus on Deep Networks:

Autoencoders

Convolutional Neural Networks

Recurrent and Recursive Networks

Practical Methodology:

Performance Metrics and baseline models

Selecting hyper-parameters

Reinforcement Learning

## Prerequisites

Basic Machine Learning techniques

## Teaching form

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The practical implementation of case studies will require the basic knowledge of R and Python programming languages.

The course will be in English.

## Textbook and teaching resource

Ian Goodfellow and Yoshua Bengio and Aaron Courville, Deep Learning, MIT Press, 2016. <http://www.deeplearningbook.org>

Rasmussen, Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, the MIT press 2006.

Francesco Archetti, Antonio Candelieri, Optimization and Data Science, SpringerBriefs, 2019

Further resource material will be made available on the e-learning platform.

## **Semester**

First semester

## **Assessment method**

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**1. Assignments [0-8 pt] + written test [0-10 pt]**

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## 2. Written exam [0-15pt] + Project/In Depth Study [0-15pt]

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### Office hours

by appointment

