



# MACHINE LEARNING

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# ABOUT ME

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Dr. Catia Silva (KA-tee-uh SIL-vuh)

Lecturer in Electrical & Computer Engineering Department

Joined UF July 15, 2019

Conducting research in Machine Learning & Signal Processing since 2009

- Conduct basic Machine Learning & Pattern Recognition Research
- Driven by Application

# MATT COOK

2<sup>nd</sup> year Ph.D. student

- Research Assistant in Dr. Alina Zare's research lab
  - Develop environmentally adaptive ATR

Previous school/work experience:

- University of Missouri (2009 to 2015): B.S. in ECE & M.S. in CE
- Naval Surface Warfare Center – Panama City Division (2016 to Present):
  - Developed Automatic Target Recognition Software for Navy Applications

Research Interests:

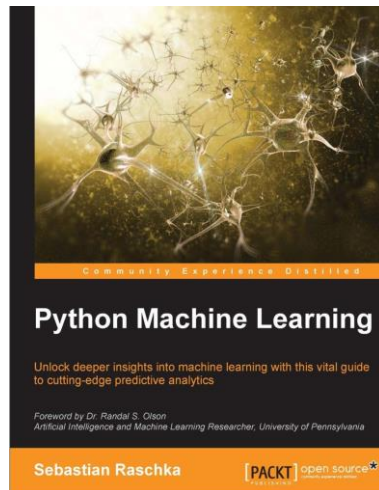
- Deep Learning
- Competency Aware machine learning

# COURSE WEBSITE: CANVAS & GITHUB

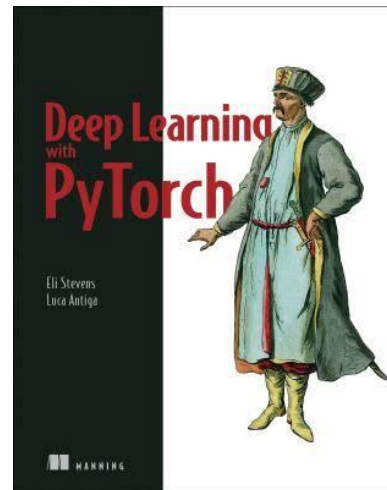
- Syllabus (including approximate course schedule) can be found posted on Canvas.
- Course Website
  1. Canvas: will be used as a communication channel and to post grades
    - <https://ufl.instructure.com/courses/395133>
  2. GitHub: will be used to access all course materials (lectures, assignments, labs & project groups) and submit assignments
- Prerequisites
  - Programming experience
    - We will be programming in Python

# TEXTBOOKS & SOFTWARE - REQUIRED

**Title:** Python Machine Learning  
**Author:** Sebastian Raschka  
**Publisher:** Packt Publishing  
**Year:** 2016



**Title:** Deep Learning with Pytorch  
**Author:** Eli Stevens & Luca Antiga  
**Publisher:** Manning Publications  
**Year:** 2006



[e-book available here](#)

**Software:**  
Python 3.4.3+  
Git  
Pytorch





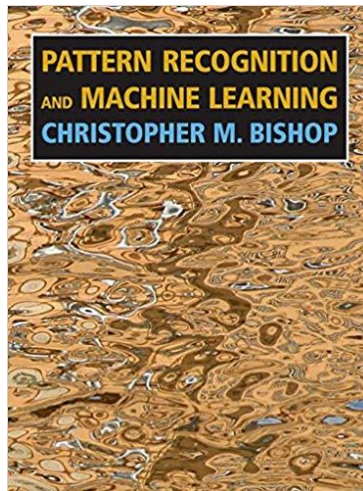
# TEXTBOOKS - RECOMMENDED

**Title:** Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning

**Author:** Christopher Bishop

**Publisher:** Springer

**Year:** 2006



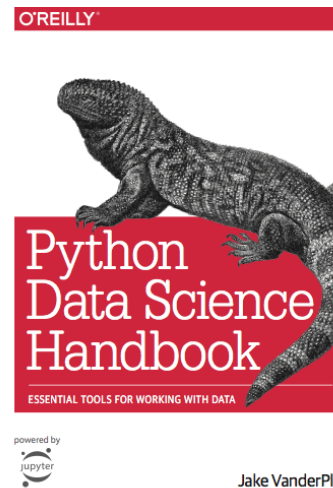
[PDF available here](#)

**Title:** Python Data Science Handbook

**Author:** Jake VanderPlas

**Publisher:** O'Reilly Media

**Year:** 2017



[e-book available here](#)

# GRADING

- Grade will be based on:
  - Homework (30%)
  - Lab Assignments (20%)
  - Midterm Exam (20%)
  - Project (10%)
  - Final Exam (20%)
- During the semester, we will have:
  - ~ 8 Homework
  - 4 Lab Assignments
  - 1 semester-long project
  - We will provide assignment solutions
- Individual assignments will be normalized
- Final grades will be curved

Percent	Grade	Grade Points
93.4 - 100	A	4.00
90.0 - 93.3	A-	3.67
86.7 - 89.9	B+	3.33
83.4 - 86.6	B	3.00
80.0 - 83.3	B-	2.67
76.7 - 79.9	C+	2.33
73.4 - 76.6	C	2.00
70.0 - 73.3	C-	1.67
66.7 - 69.9	D+	1.33
63.4 - 66.6	D	1.00
60.0 - 63.3	D-	0.67
0 - 59.9	E	0.00



# EXPECTATIONS

- Do the reading in advance
- Stay on top of assignments
- Ask questions when you do not understand
- Participate in classroom discussions and activities
- You are expected to bring a laptop to class with git installed, the ability to code and compile in python 3.4.3+, and run jupyter notebooks

# EXTRA CREDIT

If you find (meaningful) errors or typos in lecture notes, code, examples, etc. posted in the class materials, you can report these using GitHub's "pull request" to get some extra credit.

➤ See: <https://help.github.com/articles/about-pull-requests/>

For errors/typos in any PDF file, be sure to correct both the associated the .ipynb and .pdf file for my review.

# WHAT IS MACHINE LEARNING?

**Course Overview:** Introduction to **machine learning** and its role in a variety of real-world problems in areas such as adaptive filtering and image processing.

- So, what is machine learning? [www.wooclap.com/SNDEMP](http://www.wooclap.com/SNDEMP)
- Can a machine or a computer learn?
- Can a machine or computer be intelligent?
- One definition of **Machine Learning**: Area of study to develop methods for computers to make (intelligent?) decisions without being explicitly programmed.

# SUB-AREAS OF ML

- Supervised Learning
- Unsupervised Learning
- Neural Networks & Deep Learning
- Semi-supervised Learning
- Reinforcement Learning
- Active Learning
- Transfer Learning
- Structured Learning
- Associative Learning
- ...

We will study these sub-areas of ML

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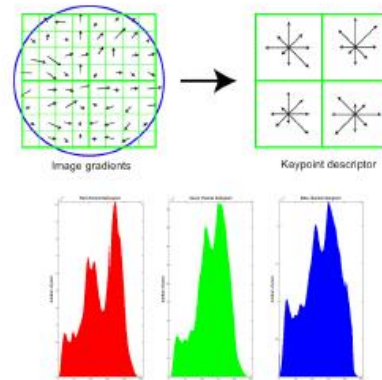
The Usual Flow (but not always)

## Training

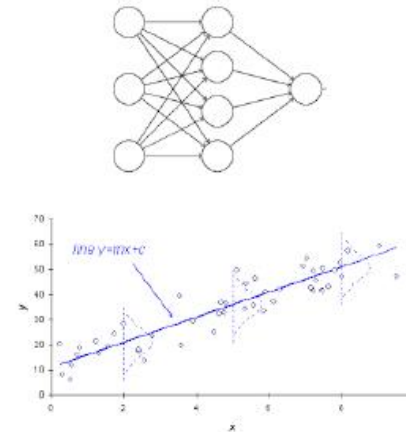
Collect  
Labeled  
Training Data



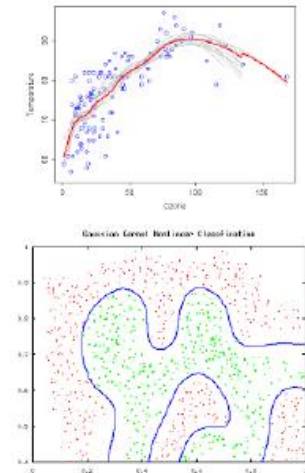
Extract  
Features



Select a  
Model



Fit the  
Model



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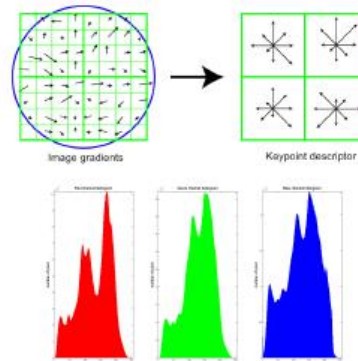
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## Testing

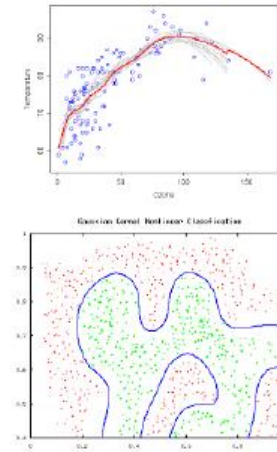
Given  
Unlabeled Test  
Data



Extract  
(the same)  
Features



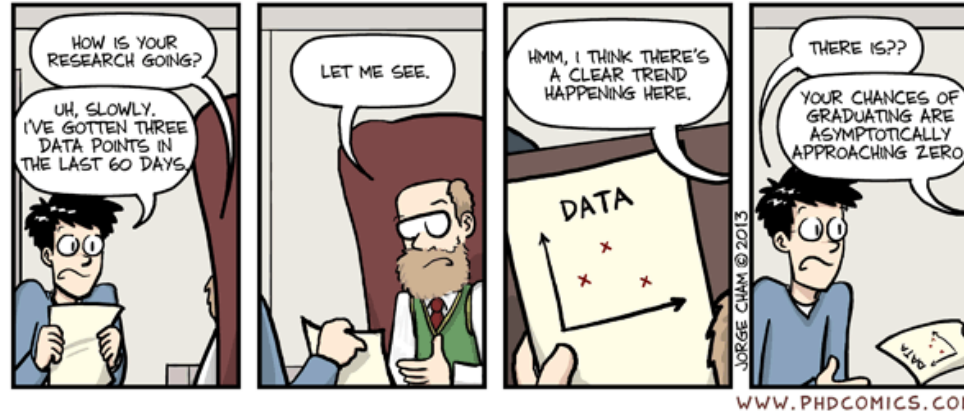
Run It Through  
Your Trained  
Model



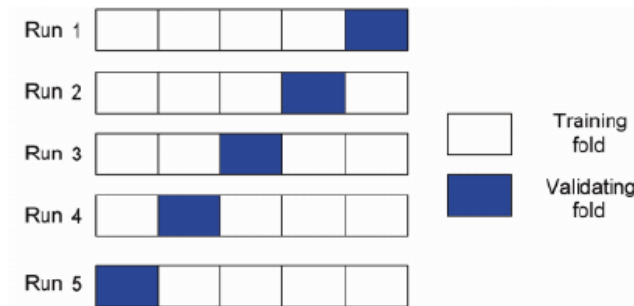
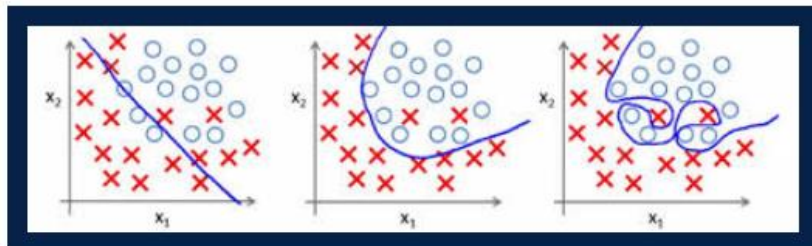
# (SUBSET OF) CHALLENGES

- How do you know if you have *representative* training data?
- How do you know if you extracted *good* features?
- How do you know if you selected the *right* model?
- How do you know if you trained the model *well*?

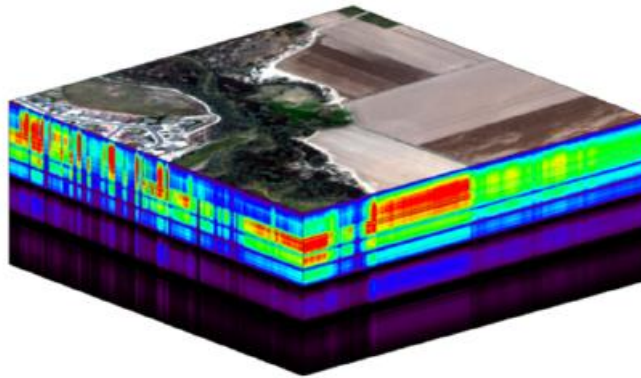
# GET LOADS AND LOADS OF DATA



Partition (thoughtfully) into Training, Validation, & Testing Data  
Conduct Cross-Validation  
Carefully select Evaluation Metrics



# Obtaining Labeled Training Data is often hard, expensive, and sometimes infeasible...



From NEON  
[neonscience.org](https://neonscience.org)





# LET'S GET STARTED

- Homework 0 has been posted.