

# Welcome to the Machine Learning for Principal Investigators Course

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# Organization

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# Who are we?

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# Course Material

- We will upload GitHub-Classroom links, Lecture recordings and slides onto Ecampus.
  - <https://ecampus.uni-bonn.de/>
  - To access eCampus, you need a UnilD → helpdesk HRZ.
- You can opt out of GitHub use. We provide zip files via Ecampus.
- We envision a hands-on course experience.
- You should be able to gain an intuition for modern machine learning algorithms and possible applications.
- Many exercises come with unit tests, which allow you to check your work.

# Github Classroom

- We will archive the GitHub Classroom in approximately one year.
- After the course, download the material or create a fork in your account for long-term access.
- Your repositories will appear at  
<https://github.com/Machine-Learning-for-PIs>.
- You can opt out of GitHub use. We also provide zip files via Ecampus.

## Course Philosophy

- Understand key methods
- and use these.
- Understand resource needs.
- Learn how to supervise with software engineering and best practices in mind.

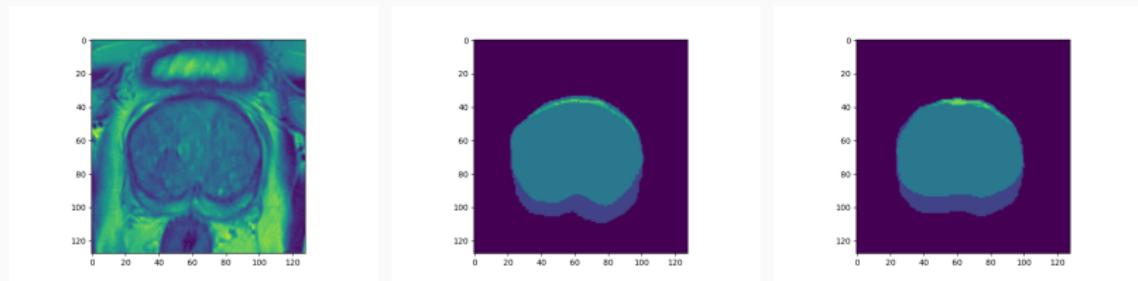
# Machine Learning Applications

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# Machine learning is everywhere

- Image processing
- Protein structure prediction
- Language processing
- Virtual personal assistants
- Fraud detection
- Autonomous robots
- Recommendation systems
- Photo editing
- ...

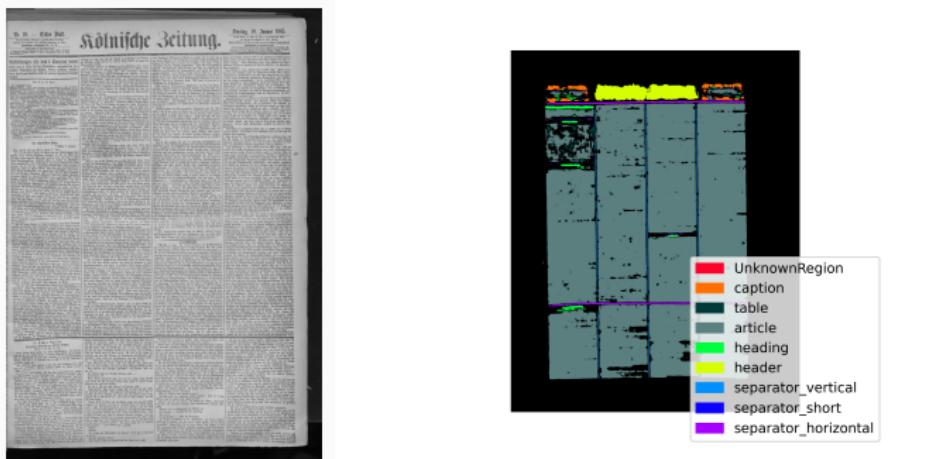
## Example: Medical image processing [Wol+24]



**Figure:** A prostate (left) with expert (center) and network (right) annotation.

We thank Barbara Wichtmann for bringing this problem to our attention.

## Example: Processing of historical newspapers [Sch+24]



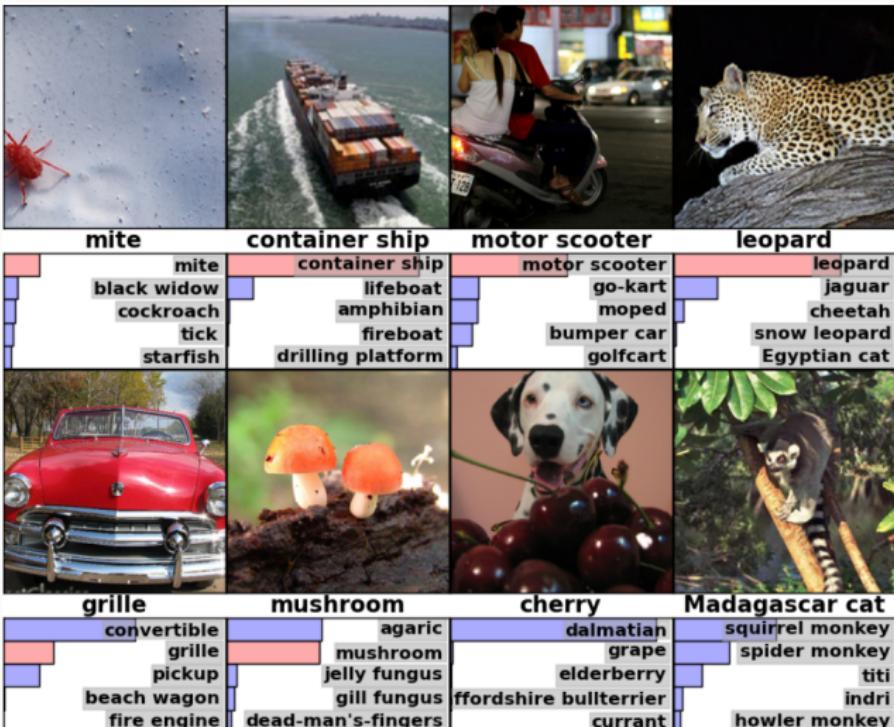
**Figure:** An old newspaper page and its network segmentation.

We thank Felix Selgert for bringing this problem to our attention.

# Stilization [GEB16]



# Image Classification [KSH12]



# Image Captioning [Liu+23]

## Visual input example, Constrained JSON Output:



User

Please read the text in this image and return the information in the following JSON format (note xxx is placeholder, if the information is not available in the image, put "N/A" instead).

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{"class": xxx, "DLN": xxx, "DOB": xxx, "Name": xxx, "Address": xxx, "EXP": xxx, "ISS": xxx, "SEX": xxx, "HGT": xxx, "WGT": xxx, "EYES": xxx, "HAIR": xxx, "DONOR": xxx}
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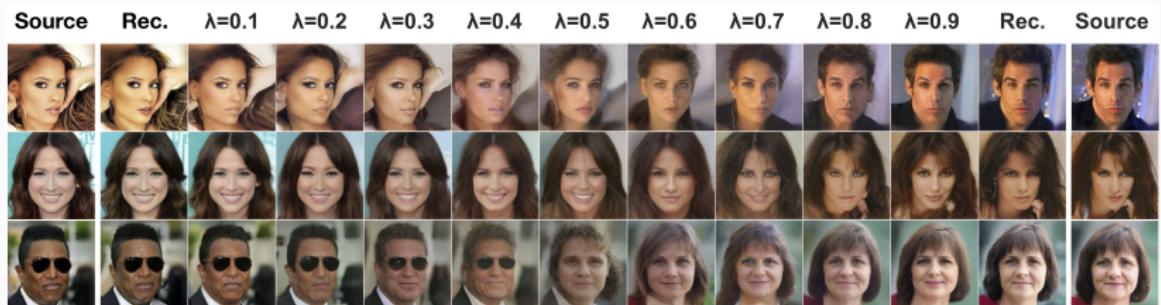
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# Media Synthesis [HJA20]



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# Course Outline

- Day 1: Mathematical and software engineering foundations, based on [DFO20]
  - Software engineering for supervisors
  - Introduction, Optimization
  - Linear Algebra, Statistics
- Foundations of machine learning, based on [DFO20]
  - Classic Methods
  - Support Vector Machines and Principal Component Analysis
- Deep learning, based on [GBC16]
  - Convolutional neural networks (CNN) for image classification
  - CNN for image segmentation

## Bonn transdisziplinäre Ausbildung in künstlicher Intelligenz Bonn transdisciplinary training in artificial intelligence

- We offer interdisciplinary machine learning projects.
- With CS-department: project groups/ labs, Bachelor or Master Thesis projects.

Website: <https://trainee.informatik.uni-bonn.de/>

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We offer new projects at the start of each semester.

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