Deakin Simpsons AI Challenge 2021

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What is the Deakin Simpsons Challenge 2021?

- A computer vision competition for recognizing Simpsons characters
- The challenge is designed to:
  - Provide the opportunity to work as team members
  - Compete against each other
  - Enhance your learning experience by improving their AI modeling, problem-solving, and team-working skills
- **Designed with the same norms as any challenge organized in a top-tier AI conference**

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What do you have to do?
The machine learning framework

- Apply a prediction function to a feature representation of the image to get the desired output:

f( ) = “homer Simpsons”

f( ) = “principal skinner”

f( ) = “Moe Szyslak”

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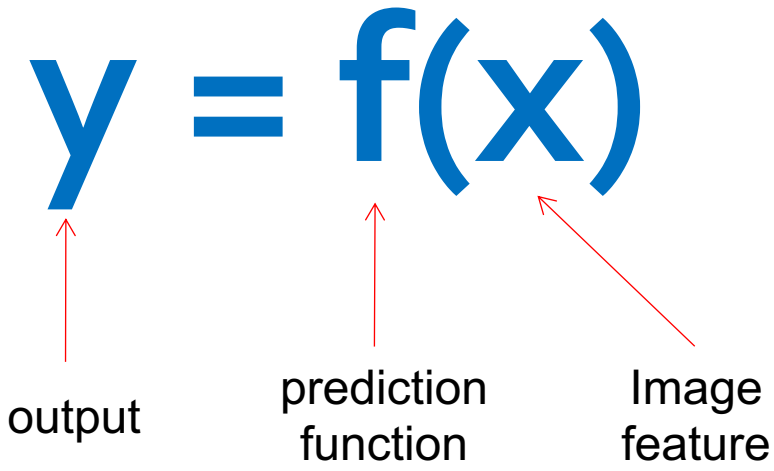
The machine learning framework



- **Training:** given a training set of labeled examples $\{(x_1,y_1), \ldots, (x_N,y_N)\}$, estimate the prediction function f by minimizing the prediction error on the training set
- **Testing:** apply **f** to a **never seen before** *test example* **x** and output the prediction **y = f(x)**

This is what CodaLab does!

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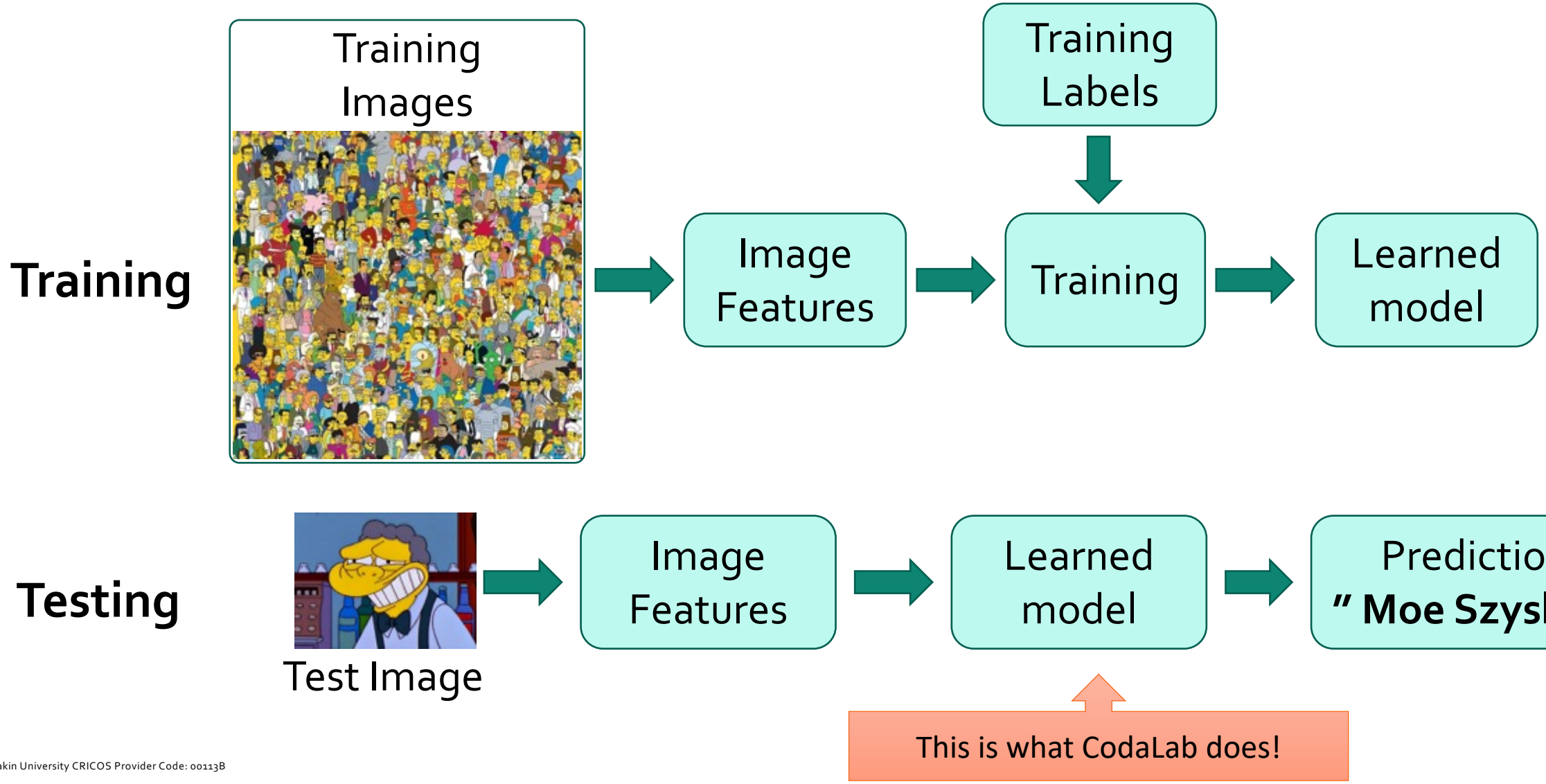
What do you have to do?
Steps



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The performance is evaluated using the Accuracy!

$$\text{Accuracy} = (TP + TN)/(TP + TN + FP + FN)$$

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Timeline

Programming phase

Development phase **(Validation Leaderboard opens)**
March 15, 2021 to May 15, 2021

Test phase **(Testing Leaderboard opens)**
May 15, 2021 to May 22, 2021
ONLY ONE SUBMISSION IS ALLOWED!

Last Shot & Contest End
May 22, 2021

Final phase

Semi-Finalists Announcement **(top six teams on the Testing Leaderboard)**
May 22, 2021

Report & Code Due
June 05, 2021

Winners Announcement
June 17, 2021

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Test sets

- **Development phase**
  - 20 characters x 50 images = 1,000 test images
- **Test phase**
  - 20 characters x 50 images = 1,000 test images
- Image in the test sets are collected and labeled from TV show episodes
- Although images are different in each test test, they come from the same distribution

You never have access to the images in the test sets!
Only CodaLab does!

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Eligibility

- **All participants need to be enrolled in a course within the School of IT**
- The semi-finalists are required to:
  - Achieve at least **80%** accuracy for the test phase
  - Submit a report, which describes the solution
  - Provide a link of the Github repo of the solution
  - The submitted codes and reports may be inspected to check the validity of the solution!

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Prizes and Sponsors

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Award for

1st Prize Winners of the Deakin
Simpsons AI Challenge 2021

Presented to

John Doe, Dale Nixon, and Karen Eliot

in recognition for their excellent achievement

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Why should you participate?

- **The school official award that will be given to you provides an invaluable recognition for your achievement**
  - An award is critical when you apply for a job or a PhD scholarship!
- The perfect place to learn best practices in AI, accrue feedback on your work, and augment your skills
- A channel for problem-solving and brainstorming
- An opportunity to push boundaries and encourage creativity
- The experience you get is invaluable in preparing you to understand what goes into finding feasible solutions for big data

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How to participate?

- Register to the CodaLab platform, then register to the competition on CodaLab
- **You can participate individually or in a team**
  - There cannot be more than 3 students in a team (all team members need to register to the competition)
  - To find team members, you can post a message on the discussion forum on CodaLab
  - Once you have built your team, the team leader needs to contact me and provides:
    - names of the members, CodaLab usernames, the Deakin course in which they are enrolled, and the name of the team

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All you need is a Google account to use Google Colab!

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Demo

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Questions?

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