

1 Data loading and preparation

Download the data using the link on the e-learning site of the course. On LinuxLab computers, pass the provided link to the `wget` command to download the file. Unzip the file, it contains a directory called `DATA`.

2 Data to numpy

The `DATA` directory contains a lot of files, all with filenames of the form “`X_Y.png`”, where `X` is the class and `Y` is a global file number. From these files, create numpy arrays `X` and `T`. Hints (google these functions!):

- use the method `os.listdir()` in the `os` module to get a list of file names in a directory!
- use the string method “`split`” to process the filenames
- use the function “`imread`” from the `imageio` module to read a png file into a numpy array (you may need to install that first: `python3 -m pip install imageio`).

3 Exploring the data 1

Using numpy: compute the min and max values of each image pixel over all images/samples.

4 Exploring the data 2

Using numpy: compute the occurrences of each class in the data

5 Exploring the data 3

Using numpy: check whether the data are block-sorted and shuffle them if necessary!