











Course:

Computational Analysis of Political Text, Audio, and Images

Fall 2023


Time		Fall 2023, Wednesdays 09  – 12 
Location		1330-038
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Office Hour		Friday 09.15-10.15
Exam		7-day take-home (December 12 at 09:00 am)
Course language		Danish 

Course Schedule – Short

Class	Date	Theme	Topic
1	September 6	Python	Introduction
2	September 7		Python lab
3	September 13		Python lab
4	September 20	ML Basics	Learning from data
5	September 27		ML lab
6	October 4	Text	Text basics
7	October 11		Topic models and dictionaries
8	October 25		Embeddings
9	November 1	Audio	Audio basics
10	November 1		Audio measurement
11	November 8		Speech and speaker recognition
12	November 15	Images	Image basics
13	November 22		Image classification and face analysis
14	November 29		Summary and Q&A

* Wednesday, October 18 does not feature any class due to the Autumn break in week 42.

Course Schedule – Detailed

 <https://kursuskatalog.au.dk/en/course/119313/222E23-Computational-Methods-and-Analysis-of-Political-Text-Audio-and-Image>

Readings marked by a (*) are in the curriculum. Supplemental readings are marked by a (▷).



Theme: Python

Class 1: Introduction to course and + Python


Date: 6, September 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. Course introduction (structure, classes, exam ...)
2. Defining and locating computational social science/computational analysis
3. Good research questions using text, audio, and image data
4. Computational measurement of social science concepts
5. Promises  and pitfalls  of computational social science
6. Python

Coding Tour +

- Getting started with : local setup (Anaconda), virtual environments, and modules
- Syntax
- Workflow
- Operators
- Data types: numbers, strings, lists, and dictionaries
- Functions: arguments (keyword, positional, and default) and scope
- Control flow: if/else, continue, while, break, pass, ...)

Readings

- * J. Y. Kim and Y. M. M. Ng, “Teaching computational social science for all,” *PS: Political Science & Politics*, vol. 55, no. 3, pp. 605–609, 2022 (number of pages: 4)
- * Y. Theocharis and A. Jungherr, “Computational social science and the study of political communication,” *Political Communication*, vol. 38, no. 1-2, pp. 1–22, 2021 (number of pages: 22)

- * J. Grimmer and B. M. Stewart, “Text as data: The promise and pitfalls of automatic content analysis methods for political texts,” *Political analysis*, vol. 21, no. 3, pp. 267–297, 2013 (number of pages: 3)

– **Section 2**

- * G. Lin and C. Lucas, “An introduction to neural networks for the social sciences,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Methodological Pluralism in Political Science*, Oxford University Press, forthcoming. [Online]. Available: http://christopherlucas.org/files/PDFs/nn_chapter.pdf (number of pages: 4)

– **Section 1-2**

- * W. McKinney, *Python for data analysis: Data wrangling with Pandas, NumPy, and IPython*, 2nd ed. ” O’Reilly Media, Inc.”, 2017. Accessible through AUL: https://soeg.kb.dk/permalink/45KBDK_KGL/1f0go08/cdi_askewsholts_vlebooks_9781491957639 (number of pages: 52)

– **Section 1.4, Section 2.1, Section 2.2 (p. 17-20), Section 2.3 (p. 30-38, 46-50), Chapter 3**

→ Total number of pages: 85

- ▷ C. A. Bail, “Can generative ai improve social science?,” 2023

Resources

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rfscVS0vtbw>
- <https://github.com/Akuli/python-tutorial/tree/master>

Class 2: Python Lab


Date: 7, September 2023, 12-15 pm

Location: 1323-118

Lecture 

1. Class 1 continued ...

Coding Tour  + 

- Loops and comprehensions
- Classes
- Errors
- Reading and writing files
- Go-to  modules (e.g. NumPy, Pandas)

Lab  + 

1. Reading and loading files
2. Classes and methods
3. NumPy and Pandas exercises

Readings 

- * W. McKinney, *Python for data analysis: Data wrangling with Pandas, NumPy, and IPython*, 2nd ed. " O'Reilly Media, Inc.", 2017. Accessible through AUL: https://soeg.kb.dk/permalink/45KBDK_KGL/1f0go08/cdi_askewsholts_vlebooks_9781491957639 (number of pages: 63)

– **Chapter 4, 6**

→ Total number of pages: 63

Resources 

- <https://www.dataquest.io/blog/using-classes-in-python/>
- <https://www.kaggle.com/code/themlphdstudent/learn-numpy-numpy-50-exercises-and-solution>
- https://github.com/guipsamora/pandas_exercises/tree/master
- <https://www.kaggle.com/code/icarofreire/pandas-24-useful-exercises-with-solutions>

Class 3: Python Lab

Date: 13, September 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture 

1. Class 1+2 continued ...

Coding Tour  + 

- * Same as Class 1+2

Lab  + 

- * Same as Class 1+2

Readings 

- * Same as Class 1+2

Resources 

- * Same as Class 1+2

Theme: ML Basics

Class 4: Learning From Data

Date: 20, September 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. Learning types: supervised, unsupervised, and transfer learning
2. Model validation
 - Model capacity: Overfitting and underfitting
 - Hyperparameters and validation sets
 - Loss functions and metrics
3. Measurement validation using supervised vs. unsupervised learning
4. Logistic regression and neural networks
5. Principal Component Analysis (PCA) and k -means clustering

Readings

- * M. Laurer *et al.*, “Less annotating, more classifying: Addressing the data scarcity issue of supervised machine learning with deep transfer learning and bert-nli,” *Political Analysis*, pp. 1–33, 2022 (number of pages: 3)
 - **Section 2.1-2.2**
- * Z. Terechshenko *et al.*, “A comparison of methods in political science text classification: Transfer learning language models for politics,” *Available at SSRN 3724644*, 2020. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3724644> (number of pages: 1)
 - **Section 2**
- * I. Goodfellow *et al.*, *Deep learning*. MIT press, 2016. [Online]. Available: <https://www.deeplearningbook.org/> Freely accessible at: <https://www.deeplearningbook.org/> (number of pages: 39)
 - **Section 5.1-5.3, 5.7-5.8, 5.10**
- * M. A. Nielsen, *Neural networks and deep learning*. Determination press San Francisco, CA, USA, 2015, vol. 25 Freely accessible at: <http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/> (number of pages: 35)
 - **Chapter 1 p. 1-35**
- * G. Lin and C. Lucas, “An introduction to neural networks for the social sciences,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Methodological Pluralism in Political Science*, Oxford University Press, forthcoming. [Online]. Available: http://christopherlucas.org/files/PDFs/nn_chapter.pdf (number of pages: 7)

– Section 3

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Resources

- <https://setosa.io/ev/principal-component-analysis/>
- <https://towardsdatascience.com/beginners-ask-how-many-hidden-layers-neurons-to-use-in-artificial-neural-networks-51466afa0d3e>
- <https://analyticsindiamag.com/xor-problem-with-neural-networks-an-explanation-for-beginners/>
- <https://playground.tensorflow.org/>
- 3Blue1Brown video on the theory neural networks <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aircAruvnKk&t=1s>
- 3Blue1Brown video on how neural networks learn https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHZwWFHwa-w&list=PLZHQObOWTQDNU6R1_67000Dx_ZCJB-3pi&index=2

Class 5: ML Basics Lab

Date: 27, September 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Coding Tour 🤖+🏠

- Overview of the `scikit-learn` module
- Brief introduction to `PyTorch`

Lab 🧪+💻

- Building your own vanilla neural network classifier using `PyTorch`
- Implement PCA and k -means with `scikit-learn`

Resources 🔗

- Same as Class 4

Theme: Text

Class 6: Text Basics

Date: 4, October 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. Vectorization: Representing text as numbers
2. Preprocessing: Why do we need it?

Coding Tour +

- Introduction to SpaCy

Lab +

- Vectorize and preprocess raw text
 - Vectorize: bag-of-words and tf-idf
 - What is a “good” numerical representation of text?
 - Preprocessing: Tokenization, stopwords, special characters, numbers, stemming, lemmatization, lower casing, removing features
 - Word descriptives

Readings

- * J. Grimmer and B. M. Stewart, “Text as data: The promise and pitfalls of automatic content analysis methods for political texts,” *Political analysis*, vol. 21, no. 3, pp. 267–297, 2013 (number of pages: 2)
 - **Section 4**
 - * M. J. Denny and A. Spirling, “Text preprocessing for unsupervised learning: Why it matters, when it misleads, and what to do about it,” *Political Analysis*, vol. 26, no. 2, pp. 168–189, 2018 (number of pages: 12)
 - **Section 1-5**
 - * S. Akuma *et al.*, “Comparing bag of words and tf-idf with different models for hate speech detection from live tweets,” *International Journal of Information Technology*, vol. 14, no. 7, pp. 3629–3635, 2022 (number of pages: 1)
 - **Section 3.3**
- Total number of pages: 15

Resources

- <https://towardsdatascience.com/basics-of-countvectorizer-e26677900f9c>
- <https://okan.cloud/posts/2021-04-08-text-vectorization-using-python-term-document-matrix/>

Class 7: Topic Models and Dictionaries

Date: 11, October 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. What are (unsupervised) topic models and how do they work?
2. What assumptions underlie topic models? What are their strength/weaknesses?
3. What is the core idea of dictionary-based methods?
4. Off-the-shelf vs. creating your own dictionary

Coding Tour +

- Introduction to **Gensim**

Lab +

- Implement unsupervised LDA model on a text corpus

Readings

- * D. M. Blei, “Probabilistic topic models,” *Communications of the ACM*, vol. 55, no. 4, pp. 77–84, 2012. DOI: <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/2133806.2133826>
- * C. Wratil *et al.*, “Government rhetoric and the representation of public opinion in international negotiations,” *American Political Science Review*, pp. 1–18, 2022
- * B. C. Silva and S.-O. Proksch, “Politicians unleashed? political communication on twitter and in parliament in western europe,” *Political science research and methods*, vol. 10, no. 4, pp. 776–792, 2022

→ Total number of pages: 40

Resources

- <https://rpubs.com/chelseyhill/672546>

Class 8: Embeddings

Date: 25, October 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. What is the general idea about word embeddings?
2. Word semantics and the distributional hypothesis
3. How do they improve upon bag-of-words and tf-idf representations of text?
4. Using word embeddings as features vs. a measure

Coding Tour +

- Word2vec and Doc2vec
- Accessing pretrained language models in Python using transfer learning

Lab +

- Ideological scaling
- Analogies
- Semantic scaling

Readings

- * P. L. Rodriguez and A. Spirling, “Word embeddings: What works, what doesn’t, and how to tell the difference for applied research,” *The Journal of Politics*, vol. 84, no. 1, pp. 101–115, 2022 (number of pages: 14)
 - * L. Rheault and C. Cochrane, “Word embeddings for the analysis of ideological placement in parliamentary corpora,” *Political Analysis*, vol. 28, no. 1, pp. 112–133, 2020 (number of pages: 21)
- Total number of pages: 35
- ▷ E. Rudkowsky *et al.*, “More than bags of words: Sentiment analysis with word embeddings,” *Communication Methods and Measures*, vol. 12, no. 2-3, pp. 140–157, 2018
 - ▷ T. Mikolov *et al.*, “Distributed representations of words and phrases and their compositionality,” *Advances in neural information processing systems*, vol. 26, 2013
 - ▷ A. C. Kozlowski *et al.*, “The geometry of culture: Analyzing the meanings of class through word embeddings,” *American Sociological Review*, vol. 84, no. 5, pp. 905–949, 2019
 - ▷ P. L. Rodriguez *et al.*, “Multilanguage word embeddings for social scientists: Estimation, inference and validation resources for 157 languages,”
 - ▷ P. L. Rodriguez *et al.*, “Embedding regression: Models for context-specific description and inference,” *American Political Science Review*, pp. 1–20, 2023
 - ▷ C. Barrie *et al.*, “Measuring media freedom,” 2023

Theme: Audio

Class 9: Audio Basics

Date: 1, November 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1441-210

Lecture

1. Audio vs. text
2. Sound theory: What do we actually measure?
3. Basic concepts: Sampling rate, amplitude, frequency, ...
4. Digital signal processing fundamentals
5. Audio representations: waveform and spectrogram
6. Audio software

Coding Tour +

- Colab
- SciPy
- Reading and writing audio

Lab +

- Waveforms
- Spectrograms

Readings

- * L. Rheault and S. Borwein, “Audio as data,” in *Elgar Encyclopedia of Technology and Politics*, Edward Elgar Publishing, pp. 86–90 Available: https://lrheault.github.io/downloads/AudioAsData_RheaultBorwein.pdf (number of pages: 7)
- * F. Camastra and A. Vinciarelli, *Machine learning for audio, image and video analysis: theory and applications*. Springer, 2015 Accessible through AUL: https://soeg.kb.dk/discovery/fulldisplay?docid=alma99123011568605763&context=L&vid=45KBKD_KGL:KGL&lang=da&search_scope=MyInst_and_CI&adaptor=Local%20Search%20Engine (Chapter 2 “Audio Acquisition, Representation and Storage”, number of pages: 42)

→ Total number of pages: 49

Resources

- <https://github.com/YannickJadoul/Parselmouth/tree/stable>

Class 10: Audio Measurement

Date: 1, November 2023, 12-15 am

Location: 1441-210

Lecture

1. Supervised vs. unsupervised measurement
2. Time - vs. frequency features
3. Measurement error
4. Acoustic analysis
5. Audio classification

Coding Tour +

- **Parselmouth** (Pythonic **Praat** binding)

Lab +

- Pitch estimation
- Visualization of pitch
- Standardization of pitch

Readings

- * B. J. Dietrich *et al.*, “Pitch perfect: Vocal pitch and the emotional intensity of congressional speech,” *American Political Science Review*, vol. 113, no. 4, pp. 941–962, 2019 (number of pages: 21)
- * D. Knox and C. Lucas, “A dynamic model of speech for the social sciences,” *American Political Science Review*, vol. 115, no. 2, pp. 649–666, 2021 (number of pages: 17)
- * L. Rheault and S. Borwein, “Multimodal techniques for the study of a ect in political videos,” Working Paper, Tech. Rep., 2019 Available: https://polmeth.mit.edu/sites/default/files/documents/RheaultBorwein_PolMeth2019.pdf (number of pages: 32)
- * M. Rask and F. Hjørth, “Nonverbal-based measures of elite conflict and polarization,” *Working Paper*, pp. 1–25, 2023 (number of pages: 25)
- * M. Vainio *et al.*, “The power of prosody and prosody of power: An acoustic analysis of finnish parliamentary speech,” *arXiv preprint arXiv:2305.16040*, 2023 (number of pages: 4)

→ Total number of pages: 99

Resources

- No links available

Class 11: Speech and Speaker Recognition

Date: 8, November 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. What are automatic speech recognition and diarization?
2. Why is alignment crucial to computational audio analysis?
3. What information is contained in speaker embeddings?

Coding Tour +

- Introduce neural diarization with `pyannote.audio`
- ASR using `Faster Whisper` and `Whisper`

Lab +

- Apply diarization and ASR on a political debate
- Visualize speaker embeddings from x-vectors using dimensionality reduction

Readings

- * S.-O. Proksch *et al.*, “Testing the validity of automatic speech recognition for political text analysis,” *Political Analysis*, vol. 27, no. 3, pp. 339–359, 2019 (number of pages: 20)
- * A. Tarr *et al.*, “Automated coding of political campaign advertisement videos: An empirical validation study,” *Political Analysis*, pp. 1–21, 2022 (number of pages: 3)

– Section 3.2

- * M. Neumann, “Hooked with phonetics: The strategic use of style-shifting in political rhetoric,” in *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington, DC*, 2019 Available: https://markusneumann.github.io/files/Neumann_APSA.pdf (number of pages: 44)
- * M. Rask, “Automated annotation of political speech recordings,” *Working Paper*, pp. 1–20, 2023 (number of pages: 20)

→ Total number of pages: 87

Resources

- <https://github.com/resemble-ai/Resemblyzer>
- <https://huggingface.co/pyannote/speaker-diarization>

Theme: Images

Class 12: Image Basics

Date: 15, November 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. Representing images (i.e. pixels) as a matrix
2. Image channels and color spaces
3. Software (**OpenCV**, **scikit-image**)
4. Basic image operations

Coding Tour +

- Introduction to **OpenCV**

Lab +

- Conversion of an image to a matrix
- Display an image
- Image processing
- Introduction to **face_recognition** and **py-feat**

Readings

- * N. Webb Williams, “What type of data are images?” *Available at SSRN 4012789*, 2023 Available: https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4012789 (number of pages: 21)
- * N. W. Williams *et al.*, *Images as data for social science research: An introduction to convolutional neural nets for image classification*. Cambridge University Press, 2020 (number of pages: 15)

– **Section 1, Section 4.2**

- * M. Torres and F. Cantú, “Learning to see: Convolutional neural networks for the analysis of social science data,” *Political Analysis*, vol. 30, no. 1, pp. 113–131, 2022 (number of pages: 1)

– **Section 2.1**

→ Total number of pages: 16

- ▷ E. P. Bucy, “Politics through machine eyes: What computer vision allows us to see,” *Journal of Visual Political Communication*, vol. 10, no. 1, pp. 59–68, 2023

Resources

- <https://scikit-image.org/docs/stable/>
- https://docs.opencv.org/4.x/d6/d00/tutorial_py_root.html
- <https://github.com/yilangpeng/athec/tree/main>
- <https://towardsdatascience.com/face-detection-in-2-minutes-using-opencv-python-90f89d7c0f81>

Class 13: CNNs and Image Classification

Date: 22, November 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

Lecture

1. Introduction to convolutional neural networks (CNNs)
2. Transfer learning using CNNs
3. Image classification

Coding Tour +

- Fine-tuning of CNN classifier using PyTorch

Lab +

- Classification of hand-written digits using the MNIST dataset

Readings

- * M. Torres and F. Cantú, “Learning to see: Convolutional neural networks for the analysis of social science data,” *Political Analysis*, vol. 30, no. 1, pp. 113–131, 2022 (number of pages: 18)
- * G. Lin and C. Lucas, “An introduction to neural networks for the social sciences,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Methodological Pluralism in Political Science*, Oxford University Press, forthcoming. [Online]. Available: http://christopherlucas.org/files/PDFs/nn_chapter.pdf (number of pages: 3)

– Section 4.1

- * N. Xi *et al.*, “Understanding the political ideology of legislators from social media images,” in *Proceedings of the international aaai conference on web and social media*, vol. 14, 2020, pp. 726–737 (number of pages: 9)

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Resources

- <https://towardsdatascience.com/face-detection-in-2-minutes-using-opencv-python-90f89d7c0f81>
- <https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1KFHwz8wjDdcFfsTmXfo-gwkKc-itN3MS#scrollTo=WXF1RoZFwFOj>

Class 14: Summary and Q&A

Date: 29, November 2023, 09-12 am

Location: 1330-038

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