

# NEURAL AND EVOLUTIONARY COMPUTING

(MESIIA): Assignment #3: Unsupervised learning with  
PCA, t-SNE, k-means, AHC and SOM

## Part 1

The chosen dataset is commonly known as the HCV dataset (Hepatitis C Virus) from the UCI Machine Learning Repository. Below is the detailed description of the dataset and a link to the source webpage:

### HCV Dataset Description:

Domain: Medical / Hepatology.

Objective: The dataset is typically used for research and analysis in the medical domain, often for the purpose of understanding the factors associated with Hepatitis C Virus infection and its stages.

Features: The dataset includes various medical measurements such as liver enzymes, bilirubin, albumin, and other blood chemistry measurements. It also contains demographic information like age and gender.

Target: The dataset categorizes patients into different categories based on the stage of Hepatitis or other clinical diagnoses related to HCV. The possible values are '0=Blood Donor', '0s=suspect Blood Donor', '1=Hepatitis', '2=Fibrosis', '3=Cirrhosis'

Data Points: It initially has 615 instances, each representing different patients or clinical cases.

The dataset can be retrieved from: <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/dataset/571/hcv+data>