

# Case 1. Heart Disease Classification

Neural Networks for Health Technology Applications, Spring 2020

## Type

Team work, 15-20 hours

## Deadline

Sunday 2.2.2019 21:30.

## Aim

The aims of this assignment are to

- learn to read data from external sources using Pandas' `read_csv`-function
- use Keras' neural networks to make an expert system to support in diagnostic decision making
- learn to test model architectures (number of layers, number of units, activation functions), solver optimizers and training settings (epochs, batch sizes, validation splits)
- use Matplotlib's visualization tools to make graphical presentations of the training and validation results
- learn to document the results clearly and in an easily readable format

## Task

Your task is to read and preprocess the data in the folder:

<https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/heart-disease/> and create and train a dense neural network to predict to classify the presence of heart disease.

The file `heart-disease.names` contains information about the attributes and the number of instances in the data files. Start preprocessing the `processed.cleveland.data` and prepare it for implementation with Keras, e.g. separate the data/input and labels/output, replace missing values with zeros, means/medians or random values, and scale or normalize the variables.

Try different neural network architectures (number of layers, number of neurons within layer), batch sizes and number of epochs, and solver settings and compare them with each other. Try to find the simplest, fastest and smallest possible model and settings that solves the problem most accurately.

Use Jupyter Notebook to solve the problem. Use the Markdown cells to wrap a document around your code cells. The recommended documentation structure is the following:

- Main heading (Titles)including:
  - o The assignment name as the title/heading
  - o Your name(s)
  - o The last date, when you edited the document

- Organization name (Helsinki Metropolia University of Applied Sciences)
- Background (Objectives)
  - Why this document is created, and what were the main objectives
- Data
  - Introduction what the data contains and what are its characteristics (like size, attributes, missing values, descriptive statistics, etc.)
- Models and training
  - Description and code for the neural networks model(s)
  - How the training and testing were conducted (epoch, batch sizes, solver settings)
  - How much data was used for testing/validation purposes
- Results
  - Main results shown both graphically and explained textually
- Conclusions
  - What were the main observations and how well the objectives were achieved

## Return

Save your results to your GitHub folder and provide a link to your Notebook in OMA.  
Use OMA's hyperlink tool for providing the link.

## Evaluation

The following categories are used for evaluation:

- Organization (5 p)
  - The code proceeds logically and the code cells (parts of scripts) are in proper order
  - The document has a clear structure
- Clarity (5 p)
  - The document (and embedded code) is clear, polished, and easy to understand
  - The code follows good coding practices and is adequately commented
  - The document supports the code
- Contents (5 p)
  - The background and data preprocessing are well explained
  - The model is validated and tested
  - The results are reasonable
  - The conclusions are clearly stated and in line with the results

max. 15 points. Late submission reduces the maximum achievable points.

## Materials

- [Reading data from a csv file](#)
- [Panda's cookbook](#)
- [Panda's tutorials](#)
- [Guide to the sequential model](#)
- [Preprocessing data](#)
- [Cross-validation: evaluating estimator performance](#)