

# Testi del Syllabus

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Insegnamento: **1006078 - MACHINE LEARNING FOR PATTERN RECOGNITION (1st MODULE)**  
Corso di studio: **5052 - COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING - INGEGNERIA DELLE TELECOMUNICAZIONI**  
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Anno corso: **1**  
Periodo: **Secondo Semestre**  
Sede: **PARMA**



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#### **Lingua insegnamento**

Inglese

#### **Contenuti**

PART 1: Fundamentals (Bononi):  
Basic probability refresher. Bayesian binary and M-ary classification. MAP and Minimax classifiers. Performance and ROC. Gaussian case and linear discriminant rules.  
Bayesian estimation (regression). Maximum likelihood, MMSE, MMAE estimators. Linear suboptimal estimators.  
Supervised learning. Generative versus discriminative approaches. Plug-in learning. Bayesian learning. Minimum empirical risk learning. Nonparametric probability density estimation.  
linear data reduction for feature extraction.

PART 2: Advanced topics and applications (Cagnoni)

Support Vector Machines. Classifier evaluation techniques.  
Unsupervised classification and clustering.

- K-means and Isodata algorithms
- Self-Organizing Maps
- Learning Vector Quantization
- Kohonen networks

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### Obiettivi formativi

L'obiettivo del corso è fornire allo studente la capacità di comprendere ed applicare le regole di base dell'apprendimento automatico, e in particolare:

- applicare i principali test statistici nella classificazione tra diverse categorie
- sintetizzare la struttura del classificatore ottimo e valutarne l'errore di classificazione
- applicare i principali metodi di estrazione delle features dai dati
- applicare i principali stimatori in uso nel campo dell'apprendimento automatico
- applicare i principali algoritmi di clustering nell'apprendimento non supervisionato

Le capacità di applicare le conoscenze sopra elencate risultano essere in particolare:

- progettare ed analizzare le prestazioni di un classificatore nell'apprendimento automatico
- selezionare le feature più appropriate per discriminare le categorie di ingresso
- selezionare gli algoritmi di clustering più appropriati nella progettazione di un classificatore non supervisionato.

### Prerequisiti

Corsi di base in algebra lineare e teoria della probabilità, quali ad esempio quelli offerti nel corso di laurea triennale corrispondente, sono necessari prerequisiti per questo corso.

### Metodi didattici

Didattica frontale 42 ore.  
Esercitazioni 6 ore.  
Esercizi assegnati per casa.

### Altre informazioni

Ricevimento  
Bononi: Lunedì' 11:30-13:30 (Sede Scientifica Ingegneria, Pal. 2, I piano, Stanza 2/19T).  
Cagnoni: su appuntamento(Sede Scientifica Ingegneria, Pal.1, I piano, email cagnoni[AT]ce.unipr.it).

### Modalità di verifica dell'apprendimento

Part 1, Bononi: Esame orale, su appuntamento. Al momento dell'iscrizione, contattare il docente all'indirizzo alberto.bononi[AT]unipr.it specificando la data desiderata. L'esame richiede la soluzione di alcuni esercizi e la discussione dei dettagli teorici ad essi collegati, per una durata di circa un'ora.  
E' consentito l'uso di un formulario su un foglio A4 per consultazione durante l'esame.  
Part 2, Cagnoni: Assegnazione di un progetto pratico, i cui risultati dovranno essere presentati in forma di relazione scritta e di presentazione orale.

### Programma esteso

Syllabus

PART 1: Fundamentals (Bononi)

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Lec. 1. Introduction

- Problem statement and definitions
- Examples of machine learning problems
- Glossary of equivalent terms in Radar detection theory, hypothesis testing and machine learning

Lec. 2. Probability refresher

- Axioms, conditional probability, total probability law, Bayes law, double conditioning, chain rule, independence and conditional independence of events.
- Discrete random variables (RV): expectation, conditional expectation. Pairs of RVs. Sum rule. Iterated expectation. Vectors of RVs. An extended example.

Lec. 3. Probability refresher

- Random vectors:  
expectation, covariance and its properties, spectral decomposition of

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covariance matrix, whitening.

- Continuous RV.

Parallels with discrete RVs. Functions of RVs. Mixed RVs. Continuous random vectors.

- Appendix: differentiation rules for vectors and matrices.

Lec. 4.

- Gaussian RVs and their linear transformations. Mahalanobis distance.

Classification:

- Bayesian prediction: introduction, loss function, conditional risk, argmin/argmax rules

- Bayes classification: introduction

Lec. 5. Classification

- 0/1 loss -> maximum a posteriori (MAP) classifier. Binary MAP. Decision regions.

- Classifier performance.

- Likelihood ratio tests and receiver operating curve (ROC)

- Minimax rule

Lec. 6. Classification

- Binary Gaussian classification

- Homoscedastic case: linear discriminant analysis

- Heteroscedastic case: Bhattacharyya bound

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- Classification with missing data (composite hypothesis testing)

Lec. 7. Estimation

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Lec. 8. Estimation

- ML for multinomial

- Conjugate priors in MAP estimation

- Estimation accuracy and ML properties, Cramer Rao bounds.

Suboptimal (non Bayesian) estimation:

- LMMSE estimation (linear regression)

- LMMSE derivation with LDU decomposition

Lec. 9. Estimation

- LMMSE examples

- Generalized linear regression

- Example: polynomial regression

- Sample LMMSE

- Generalized sample LMMSE.

Lec. 10. Learning

- Supervised learning: introduction

- Generative vs discriminative approaches

- Example: logistic model

- Plug-in learning

ML fitting of logistic model: logistic regression

Example: handwritten digit recognition.

- Bayesian Learning

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Learning:

- Empirical risk minimization

Nonparametric density estimation:

- Parzen window estimator

- kNN estimator

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Lec. 12. linear data reduction  
- Principal component analysis (PCA)  
- Fisher linear classifier

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--- Linear Discriminant Analysis:  
- Support Vector Machines  
--- Classifier evaluation:  
- generalization and overfitting (Training/validation/test sets)  
- performance indices, representations curve, confusion matrices  
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Course Objectives

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The objective of the course is to provide the student with the ability to understand and apply the basic rules of machine learning and, in particular:  
- to apply the most common statistical tests in classification among

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different categories

- to synthesize the structure of the optimal classifier and analyze its error performance
- to apply the most common feature extraction methods from input data
- to apply the most common statistical estimators in machine learning
- to apply the most common clustering algorithms in unsupervised learning

The abilities in applying the above-mentioned knowledge are in particular in the:

- design and performance analysis of classifiers in machine learning
- selection of the most appropriate features to discriminate input categories
- selection of the most appropriate clustering algorithms in the design of unsupervised classifiers

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Homework regularly assigned.

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Cagnoni: by appointment (Scientific Complex, Building 1, floor 2, email cagnoni[AT]ce.unipr.it).

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