



Teaching Guide

| Identifying Data | | | | | 2024/25 |
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| Subject (*) | Machine Learning II | Code | 614544014 | | |
| Study programme | Máster Universitario en Intelixencia Artificial | | | | |
| Descriptors | | | | | |
| Cycle | Period | Year | Type | Credits | |
| Official Master's Degree | 2nd four-month period | First | Optional | 3 | |
| Language | English | | | | |
| Teaching method | Hybrid | | | | |
| Prerequisites | | | | | |
| Department | Ciencias da Computación e Tecnoloxías da Información | | | | |
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| General description | <p>The subject introduces students to machine learning techniques applicable in environments that present restrictions in the distribution of the data used in the generation of the models: treatment of flows, incorporation of new experiences, the evolution of concepts over time or the preservation of the privacy of the information. Their consideration requires specific training in the application of incremental learning techniques, detection of obsolescence and confidentiality in the handling of datasets.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To acquire knowledge of how the main incremental learning techniques work. 2. To apply incremental learning techniques for the analysis of real-time data in stationary and non-stationary environments. 3. To know the working principle of the main privacy-preserving learning paradigms. | | | | |

Study programme competences / results

| Code | Study programme competences / results |
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| A11 | CE10 - Ability to implement, validate and apply a stochastic model starting from the observed data on a real system, and to perform a critical analysis of the obtained results, selecting those ones most suitable for problem solving |
| A12 | CE11 - Understanding and command of the main techniques and tools for data analysis, both from the statistical and the machine learning viewpoints, including those devised for large volumes of data, and ability to select those ones most suitable for problem solving |
| A13 | CE12 - Ability to outline, formulate and solve all the stages of a data project, including the understanding and command of basic concepts and techniques for information search and filtering in big collections of data |
| A16 | CE15 - Knowledge of computer tools in the field of machine learning and ability to select those ones most suitable for problem solving |
| B2 | CG02 - Successfully addressing each and every stage of an AI project |
| B3 | CG03 - Searching and selecting that useful information required to solve complex problems, with a confident handling of bibliographical sources in the field |
| B4 | CG04 - Suitably elaborating written essays or motivated arguments, including some point of originality, writing plans, work projects, scientific papers and formulating reasonable hypotheses in the field |
| B5 | CG05 - Working in teams, especially of multidisciplinary nature, and being skilled in the management of time, people and decision making |
| B6 | CB01 - Acquiring and understanding knowledge that provides a basis or opportunity to be original in the development and/or application of ideas, frequently in a research context |
| B7 | CB02 - The students will be able to apply the acquired knowledge and to use their capacity of solving problems in new or poorly explored environments inside wider (or multidisciplinary) contexts related to their field of study |
| B8 | CB03 - The students will be able to integrate different pieces of knowledge, to face the complexity of formulating opinions (from information that may be incomplete or limited) and to include considerations about social and ethical responsibilities linked to the application of their knowledge and opinions |
| B9 | CB04 - The students will be able to communicate their conclusions, their premises and their ultimate justifications, both to specialised and non-specialised audiences, using a clear style language, free from ambiguities |



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| C3 | CT03 - Use of the basic tools of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) required for the student's professional practice and learning along her life |
| C4 | CT04 - Acquiring a personal development for practicing a citizenship under observation of the democratic culture, the human rights and the gender perspective |
| C7 | CT07 - Developing the ability to work in interdisciplinary or cross-disciplinary teams to provide proposal that contribute to a sustainable environmental, economic, political and social development |
| C8 | CT08 - Appreciating the importance of research, innovation and technological development in the socioeconomic and cultural progress of society |
| C9 | CT09 - Being able to manage time and resources: outlining plans, prioritising activities, identifying criticisms, fixing deadlines and sticking to them |

| Learning outcomes | | | |
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| Learning outcomes | Study programme competences / results | | |
| To acquire knowledge of how the main incremental learning techniques work. | AC10 AC11 AC12 AC15 | BC2 BC3 BC4 BC5 BC6 BC7 BC8 BC9 | CC3 CC4 CC7 CC8 CC9 |
| To apply incremental learning techniques for the analysis of real-time data in stationary and non-stationary environments | AC10 AC11 AC12 AC15 | BC2 BC3 BC4 BC5 BC6 BC7 BC8 BC9 | CC3 CC4 CC7 CC8 CC9 |
| To know the working principle of the main privacy-preserving learning paradigms | AC10 AC11 AC12 AC15 | BC2 BC3 BC4 BC5 BC6 BC7 BC8 BC9 | CC3 CC4 CC7 CC8 CC9 |

| Contents | |
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| Topic | Sub-topic |
| 1. Theory | 1. Machine Learning Online 2. Concept Drift 3. Federated Learning |
| 2. Practice | 1. Machine Learning Online and Concept Drift 2. Federated Learning |

| Planning |
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| Methodologies / tests | Competencies / Results | Teaching hours (in-person & virtual) | Student?s personal work hours | Total hours |
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| Guest lecture / keynote speech | A11 A12 A13 A16 B3 B6 B7 B8 B9 C3 C4 C8 | 10 | 10 | 20 |
| Seminar | A11 A12 A13 A16 B2 B4 B5 C7 C9 | 4 | 20 | 24 |
| ICT practicals | A11 A12 A13 A16 B3 B6 B7 B8 C3 C4 C8 | 7 | 21 | 28 |
| Mixed objective/subjective test | A11 A12 A13 A16 B4 B6 B7 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Personalized attention | | 2 | 0 | 2 |

(*)The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

| Methodologies | |
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| Methodologies | Description |
| Guest lecture / keynote speech | <p>The contents of the course will be taught indistinctly between lectures and interactive classes. The completion of all the proposed activities is necessary, as well as the attendance to all the classes (lectures and interactive) to pass the course.</p> <p>Expository classes (theory): will consist of the explanation of the different sections of the course syllabus, with the help of electronic media (presentations, videos, etc.)</p> |
| Seminar | <p>Case studies: students may be presented with real or fictional work scenarios that present certain problems. Students will have to apply the theoretical and practical knowledge of the subject to find a solution to the question or questions posed. As a general rule, case studies will be carried out in groups. The different working groups will present and share their solutions.</p> |
| ICT practicals | <p>Interactive classes (practical): different practical problems related to the content of the subject will be posed for the student to solve individually or in groups.</p> <p>Project-based learning: students may be given practical projects whose scope requires them to dedicate a significant part of their time to the subject.</p> <p>Autonomous work: the scope and objectives of the projects, use cases and/or practical problems may require autonomous work on the part of the students, albeit under the supervision of the teaching staff.</p> |
| Mixed objective/subjective test | <p>A mixed test which can contain quiz questions, short-answer questions or development questions. It is going to evaluate the theoretical part of the subject and it can contain questions about the content of the seminars or practical exercises</p> |

| Personalized attention | |
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| Methodologies | Description |
| Guest lecture / keynote speech ICT practicals Seminar | <p>Office hours: Office hours will be used to solve students' doubts related to the contents of the subject. These office hours can be both face-to-face and virtual (via email, virtual campus or Microsoft Teams platform).</p> <p>Virtual Classroom: This subject will have a virtual classroom where students will be provided with all the necessary material in digital format. Different communication tools will also be provided to support both teaching and office hours, including videoconferencing, chat, e-mail, forums...</p> |

| Assessment | | | |
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| Methodologies | Competencies / Results | Description | Qualification |
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| Mixed objective/subjective test | A11 A12 A13 A16 B4 B6 B7 | Subjective test which can be a mixture model with quiz questions and some short-answer or development questions. | 50 |
| ICT practicals | A11 A12 A13 A16 B3 B6 B7 B8 C3 C4 C8 | This mark includes the evaluation exercises made during the practical lessons and the developed project. | 30 |
| Seminar | A11 A12 A13 A16 B2 B4 B5 C7 C9 | This is going to include the grading of the practical exercises and the projects developed in the seminars. | 20 |

Assessment comments

In order to pass the course, the student will have to carry out all the proposed activities and pass the corresponding exams. First opportunity: To pass the subject, the student must deliver and pass the proposed activities (50% of the final grade) and pass the final exam (50% of the grade). Mid-term exams: No mid-term exams will be held. Second opportunity: The grade obtained in the laboratory practices during the course is maintained, as well as its weight in the final grade. Students who have not reached the cut-off mark in the activities proposed during the previous call, may submit, prior to the second chance final exam, similar activities, which will be proposed by the teachers. Once both parts have been passed separately, the exam will account for the 50% of the final mark and the laboratory practices for the remaining 50%. Exemption from attendance: In case of dispensation of attendance, students will be examined under the same conditions as students in the first round. Repeating students: In case of repeating students, they will be examined under the same conditions as students in the first round. No-show qualification: The student will receive the qualification of "no-show" when he/she does not take the final exam. Evaluation of competences: In general, the development of the practical activities, projects and use cases, as well as the preparation of the theoretical topics will allow students to work on the basic, general and transversal competences of the subject. Specifically, through the projects and use cases, the competences CT7, CT9, CG5, CG4, CG2 will be assessed. The development of the practices, as well as the final test, will allow the evaluation of the specific competences: CE10, CE11, CE12, CE15. Equality: According to the various applicable regulations for university teaching, the gender perspective should be incorporated into this subject (using non-sexist language, using bibliographic references from authors of both genders, encouraging the participation of male and female students in class). Efforts will be made to identify and modify prejudices and sexist attitudes, and the environment will be influenced to change them and promote values of respect and equality. Situations of gender-based discrimination should be identified, and actions and measures should be proposed to correct them. All aspects related to "academic exemption," "study dedication," "continuity," and "academic fraud" will be governed in accordance with the current academic regulations of the University

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Recommendations

Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before

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Subjects that are recommended to be taken simultaneously

Subjects that continue the syllabus

Other comments

The students should be familiar with mid-level programming concepts, linear algebra, calculus and statistics. The knowledge of basic concurrence and parallel architecture is also helpful.

Equality: According to the various applicable regulations for university teaching, the gender perspective should be incorporated into this subject (using non-sexist language, using bibliographic references from authors of both genders, encouraging the participation of male and female students in class). Efforts will be made to identify and modify prejudices and sexist attitudes, and the environment will be influenced to change them and promote values of respect and equality. Situations of gender-based discrimination should be identified, and actions and measures should be proposed to correct them.

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