



Subject card

Subject name and code	Machine Learning in Earth Research, PG_00064486						
Field of study	Informatics						
Date of commencement of studies	February 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject			2025/2026	
Education level	second-cycle studies		Subject group			Optional subject group Specialty subject group Subject group related to scientific research in the field of study	
Mode of study	Full-time studies		Mode of delivery			at the university	
Year of study	1		Language of instruction			Polish	
Semester of study	1		ECTS credits			2.0	
Learning profile	general academic profile		Assessment form			assessment	
Conducting unit	Department Of Geoinformatics -> Faculty Of Electronics Telecommunications And Informatics -> Wydziały Politechniki Gdańskiej						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. inż. Zbigniew Łubniewski				
	Teachers		dr hab. inż. Zbigniew Łubniewski dr inż. Tomasz Berezowski				
Lesson types and methods of instruction	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	15.0	0.0	15.0	0.0	0.0	30
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	30		4.0		16.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to familiarize students with the tools that enable the correct acquisition and processing of data on the earth's surface, in particular with the use of machine learning. The course will mainly use data from satellite remote sensing and sonar. Students will learn examples of how to apply classification and regression with different levels of complexity and for different purposes.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[K7_U10] can individually plan and pursue their own lifelong education and influence others in this aspect, also by means of advanced information and communication technologies (ICT), and communicate on specialist issues with diverse recipients, appropriately justify points of view, hold debates, present, assess and discuss different opinions and points of view, as well as use specialist terminology related to the field of study in communication	Student is prepared for continuous updating and extending his knowledge and skills in the area of machine learning methods applied in Earth research.	[SU1] Assessment of task fulfilment [SU2] Assessment of ability to analyse information [SU5] Assessment of ability to present the results of task
	[K7_U09] can carry out a critical analysis of the functioning of existing technical solutions and assess these solutions, as well as apply experience related to the maintenance of advanced technical systems, devices and facilities typical for the field of studies, gained in the professional engineering environment	Student is able to analyse critically possible machine learning solutions and to select the appropriate one from them for a given issue in Earth observation and research.	[SU1] Assessment of task fulfilment [SU3] Assessment of ability to use knowledge gained from the subject [SU4] Assessment of ability to use methods and tools
	[K7_K02] is ready to provide critical evaluation of received content and to acknowledge the importance of knowledge in solving cognitive and practical problems	Student is ready to critically evaluate the learned contents and to recognise the importance of knowledge in solving problems with respect to machine learning methods applied in Earth research.	[SK5] Assessment of ability to solve problems that arise in practice [SK2] Assessment of progress of work
Subject contents	<p>Remote sensing methods in Earth research. Satellite imaging, sonar sounding</p> <p>Examples of artificial intelligence and machine learning applications in Earth research. Image segmentation, image classification</p> <p>AI and ML methods used in Earth research</p> <p>Characteristics of remote sensing imagery data</p> <p>Sources of satellite remote sensing data</p> <p>Methodology of model development for classification and regression of remote sensing data</p> <p>Verification of remote sensing data models</p> <p>Current best practices in machine learning for remote sensing</p> <p>Sonar data characteristics. Stages and methods of sonar data pre-processing</p> <p>Machine learning in marine ecosystems research</p>		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	<p>Knowledge of the R or Python scripting language</p> <p>Basic knowledge of machine learning methods</p>		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Practical exercises - lab	50.0%	50.0%
	Lecture final test	50.0%	50.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	<p>SCHOWENGERDT, R. A. Remote sensing: models and methods for image processing. 3rd ed. [s. l.]: Elsevier, 2011. ISBN 0123694078.</p> <p>JENSEN, J. R. Remote sensing of the environment: an earth resource perspective. 2nd ed. [s. l.]: Pearson Education, 2014. ISBN 9781292021706.</p> <p>R. Cresson, "A Framework for Remote Sensing Images Processing Using Deep Learning Techniques," in <i>IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters</i>, vol. 16, no. 1, pp. 25-29, Jan. 2019, doi: 10.1109/LGRS.2018.2867949.</p>
	Supplementary literature	Lei Ma, Yu Liu, Xueliang Zhang, Yuanxin Ye, Gaofei Yin, Brian Alan Johnson, Deep learning in remote sensing applications: A meta-analysis and review. <i>ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing</i> , 152, 166-177, 2019
	eResources addresses	Adresy na platformie eNauczenie:
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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