



## REN<sup>PRO</sup> Method Course:

### Prof. Dr. Merle Behr (Universität Regensburg): Machine learning for beginners

- Date:** May 15 – 16, 2024
- Place:** Universität Regensburg, Faculty of Informatics and Data Science (FIDS),  
Bajuwarenstraße 4, 93053 Regensburg, Room BA.621
- Target group:** PhD students of the TRR 374,  
open for medical doctoral students, PostDocs and Clinician Scientists in the  
TRR 374, and for interested doctoral students (via the graduate schools)
- Credit Points:** Full participation can be counted as a method course with 0.6 CPs within  
the Curriculum of the Graduate Schools (RIGel, BioMediGS, life@FAU)
- Registration and contact:** [michaela.kritzenberger@ur.de](mailto:michaela.kritzenberger@ur.de)  
Registration of TRR members requested by April 15, 2024  
Registration for those interested via the graduate schools: April 16- 22, 2024
- Maximum number of participants: 20 (first come first serve)

#### Contents & Schedule:

Join us for a beginner-friendly short course on machine learning. This course will cover fundamental concepts of regression and classification in supervised learning, including multiple regression and k-nearest neighbors, along with key principles such as training-testing split, bias-variance trade-off, least squares optimization, and numerical minimization using gradient descent. Through hands-on sessions using Jupyter Notebooks, participants will gain practical experience in data analysis without requiring prior programming knowledge. The course emphasizes the universal applicability of machine learning across diverse contexts, enabling participants to understand data patterns with minimal prior knowledge. Participants are asked to bring their laptops. If you do not have your own laptop, please let me know, we have some laptops and while examples from kidney research will be highlighted, the concepts and methods covered are broadly applicable to various data problems beyond the biomedical domain.

<b>Wednesday, May 15 2024</b>		
10:00h - 10:30h	<b>Welcome</b>	BA.621 (FIDS)
10:30h - 12:00h	<b>Interactive ML Session I</b>	BA.621 (FIDS)
12:00h - 13:30h	<b>Lunch Break &amp; Discussion</b>	
13:30h - 15:00h	<b>Interactive ML Session II</b>	BA.621 (FIDS)
15:00h - 15:30h	<b>Coffee break &amp; Discussion</b>	BA.621 (FIDS)
15:30h - 17:00h	<b>Interactive ML Session III</b>	BA.621 (FIDS)
19:00 h	<b>Joint Dinner at DAS UNIKAT (<a href="https://www.unikat-regensburg.de/">https://www.unikat-regensburg.de/</a>)</b>	

<b>Thursday, May 16 2024</b>		
8:30h - 10:00h	<b>Interactive ML Session IV</b>	V37 (FIDS)
10:00h - 10:30h	<b>Coffee break &amp; Discussion</b>	
10:30h - 12:00h	<b>Interactive ML Session V</b>	V37 (FIDS)
12:00h - 13:00h	<b>Lunch break</b>	
13:00h - 14:30h	<b>Interactive ML Session VI</b>	BA.621 (FIDS)
14:30h - 14:45h	<b>Coffee break &amp; Discussion</b>	
14:45h - 16:15h	<b>Interactive ML Session VII</b>	BA.621 (FIDS)