# Machine Learning Open Source Software and Benchmark Repository

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# Validation in Machine Learning and Statistics

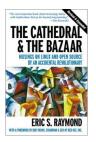
Machine Learning	Statistics	
Solve hard compu-	Obtain scientific	
tational tasks	insight from data	

 $\rightarrow$  Data and validation important both for ML and statistics, but for different reasons:

 Machine Learning: to share learning problems and compare existing methods.

• Statistics: to ensure that scientific insights are correct.

# "Open Source"



- Actually, open source is about a collaborative process to develop software (not unlike science!)
- Infrastructure: Source code revision system, bug trackers, mailing lists, discussion forums....
- Once you release your code, you should enter this process.
- Opportunity for much faster interaction with "users" !

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# Legal Implications of Reproducible Research

Victoria Stodden, "Reproducible Research in Computational Science: Problems and Solutions For Data and Code Sharing" http://videolectures.net/icml2010\_stodden\_rric/

- Releasing Source Code is not the same as Open Source!
- By default, "original expressions of ideas" is copyrighted (protects reproduction and derivative works, limited lifetime)
- Data? "Raw facts" not copyrightable. "Original selection and arrangement" is. Best option is to release to the public domain.

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### The Reproducible Research Standard

Victoria Stodden, "Enabling Reproducible Research: Open Licensing For Scientific Innovation" International Journal of Communications Law and Policy, Issue 13, 2009.

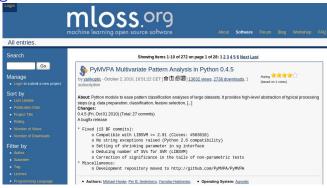
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#### Machine Learning Open Source Software

- MLOSS: NIPS Workshop 2006
- Position paper: S. Sonnenburg, M. L. Braun, C. S. Ong, S. Bengio, L. Bottou, G. Holmes, Y. LeCun, K.-R. Mller, F. Pereira, C. E. Rasmussen, G. Rtsch, B. Schlkopf, A. Smola, P. Vincent, J. Weston, R. Williamson, *The Need for Open Source Software in Machine Learning*, Journal of Machine Learning Research, 8(Oct):2443-2466, 2007

- mloss.org: Machine Learning Open Source Software
- JMLR MLOSS Track
- mldata.org: Machine Learning Data Set Repository

#### mloss.org



- Open directory of machine learning related open source software projects.
- 272 projects registered so far.
- About 250 visitors per day.

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# JMLR MLOSS Special Track

#### http://jmlr.csail.mit.edu/mloss/

JMLR	Machine Learning Open Source Software
Home Page	To support the open source software movement, JMLR MLOSS publishes contributions related to implementations of non-trivial machine learning algorithms, toolboxes or even languages for scientific
Papers	computing. Submission instructions are available here.
Submissions	A Library for Locally Weighted Projection Regression Stefan Klanke, Sethu Vijayakumar, Stefan Schaal; 9(Apr):623626, 2008.
News	[abs][pdf] [code][mloss.org]
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Announcements	LIBLINEAR: A Library for Large Linear Classification
Proceedings	Rong-En Fan, Kai-Wei Chang, Cho-Jui Hsieh, Xiang-Rui Wang, Chih-Jen Lin; 9(Aug):1871187 2008.
Open Source	[abs][pdf] [code][mloss.org]
Software	JNCC2: The Java Implementation Of Naive Credal Classifier 2
Search	Giorgio Corani, Marco Zaffalon; 9(Dec):26952698, 2008. [abs][ndf] [code][mloss arg]

- Submit software together with 4 page description.
- About 20 projects published so far.

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- Repository of data sets.
- Fully versioned, editable like a Wiki.
- Defines own data format based on HDF5. If used, additional features are available (e.g. automatic evaluation of prediction errors, download of data in other formats)





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