



# What is Data Science?



## – Data Science

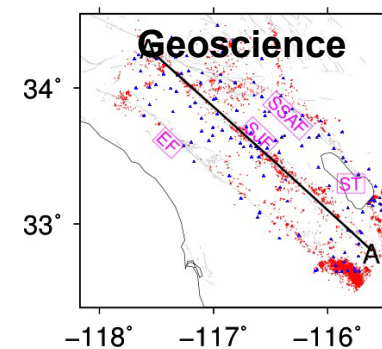
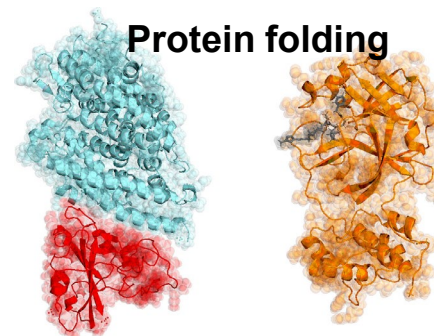
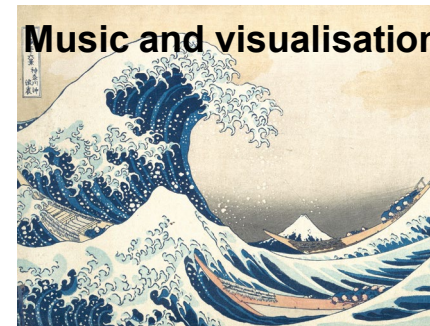
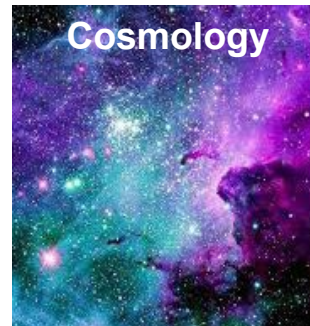
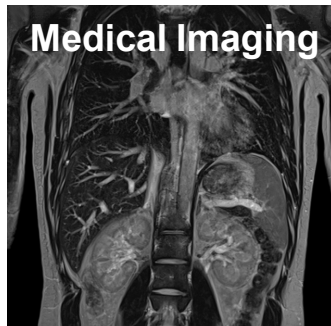
- deals with vast volumes of data (Big Data)
- uses modern tools and techniques too analyze these data
- helps to find unseen pattern, derive meaningful information ...
- combines tools from mathematics, statistics, computer science, and engineering

## – Data Science is a method for

- effectively extracting knowledge from data
- facilitating data-driven decision making
- solving complex industrial & scientific challenges

→ Data Science is getting more and more important nowadays

# Where can we use Data Science?

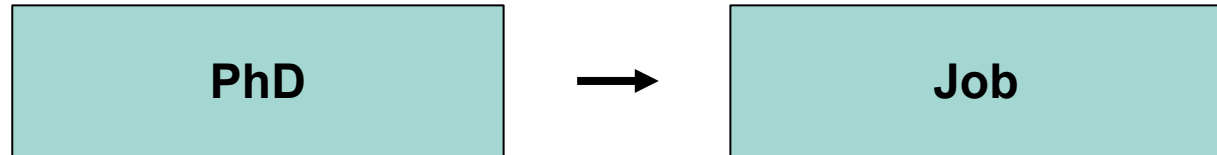


# Master's Program in *Data Science* at the University of Basel

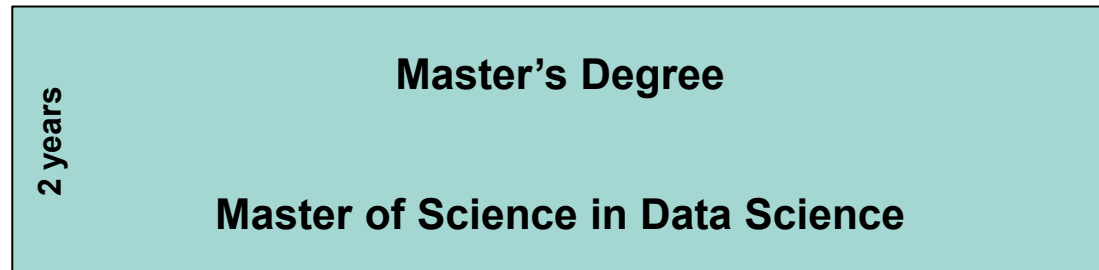
- Interdisciplinary study program
- Combination of solid fundamentals and applied areas
  - Mathematics, Statistics & Machine Learning
  - Systems and Software Design courses
  - Project & Teamwork
    - perfect infrastructure for efficient and secure handling of modern datasets
- Excellent teaching and close links to the cutting-edge research
- Ideal supervision ratio

# Master in *Data Science*

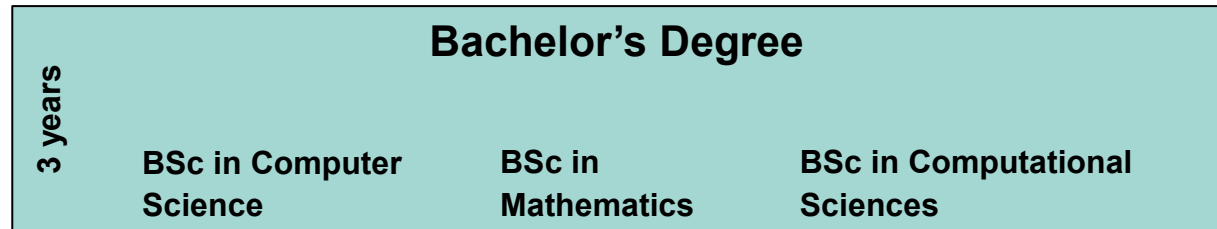
- Research
- Industry
- Academia
- ...



- Foundations in Mathematics, Machine Learning ...
- Project Management
- ...



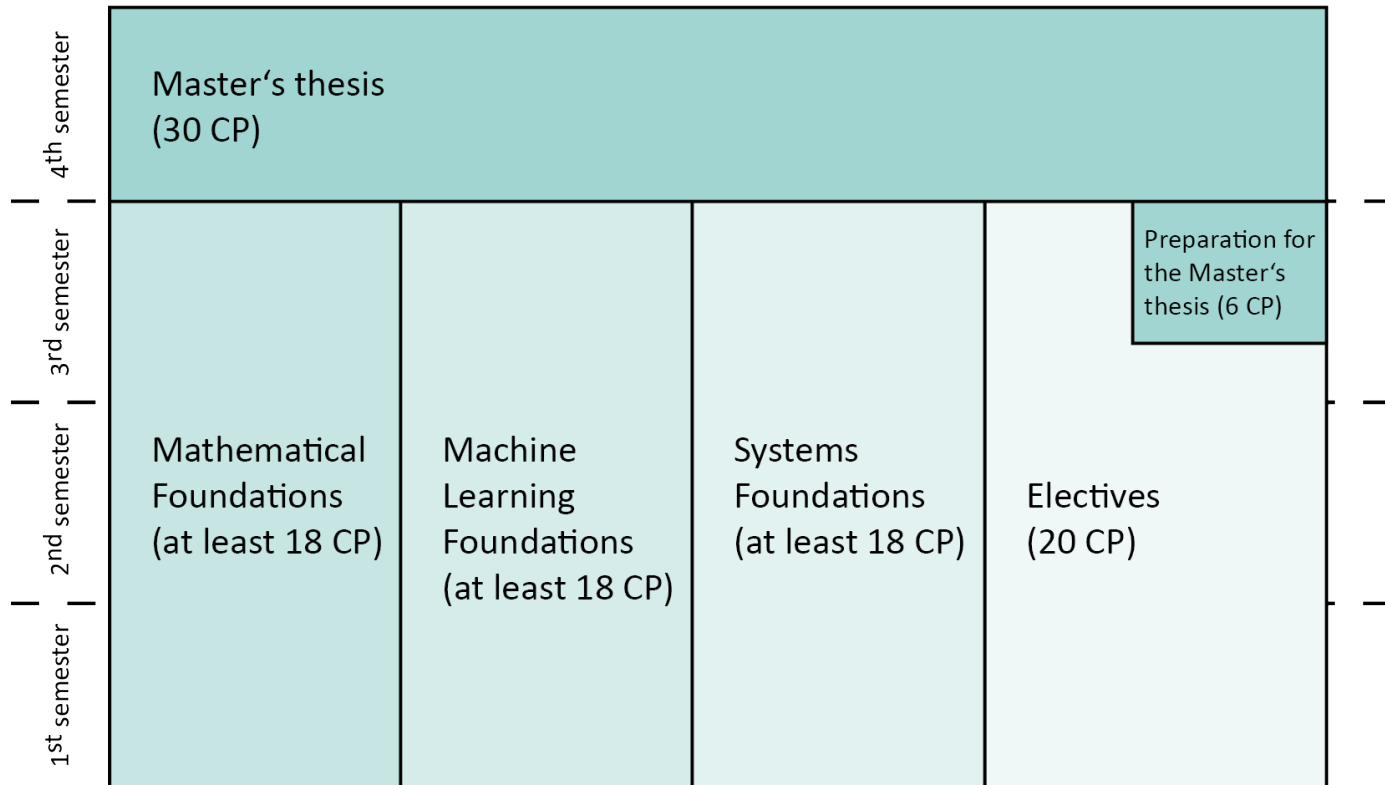
- Computer Science Training
- ...



# Master in *Data Science*

- A successfully completed Bachelor's program is required
- The Master's Program lasts 4 semester (full-time)
  - Part-time studying is possible
- The program awards 120 ECTS
- International orientation
  - The course language is English
- Start of the program:
  - It is possible both in the autumn and the spring semester
  - A start in the autumn semester is highly recommended
- Degree:
  - Master of Science in Data Science

# Master's Program *Data Science*: Overview



# Master's Program *Data Science*: Details

- **Mathematical Foundations** (at least 18 CP)
  - (+) Mathematics of Data Science (8 CP)
  - Statistical Modeling (6 CP)
  - ...
- **Machine Learning Foundations** (at least 18 CP)
  - (+) Machine Learning (8 CP)
  - Machine Learning on Graphs, Groups, and Manifolds (6 CP)
  - Machine Learning Project (6 or 12 CP)
  - ...
- **Systems Foundations** (at least 18 CP)
  - (+) Foundations of Distributed Systems (8 CP)
  - High performance Computing (4 CP)
  - Systems Project (6 or 12 CP)
  - ...

# Master's Program *Data Science*: Details

## – **Electives** (20 CP)

- Scientific Writing (6 CP)
- Data Science Project (6 or 12 CP)
- ...

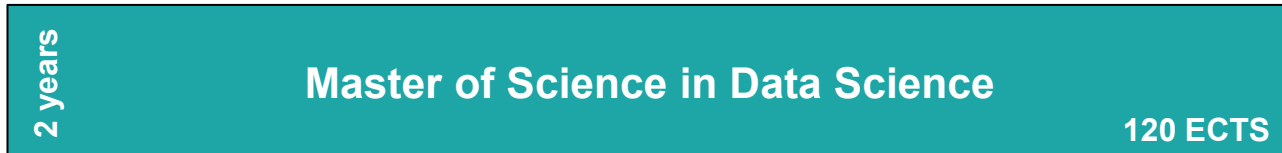
## – **Preparation for the Master's Thesis** (6 CP)

- One month in full-time
- Presentation of the project plan
- Pass / Fail

# Master's Program *Data Science*: Details

- **Master's thesis (30 CP)**
  - Can be started if the Preparation of the Master's thesis and 76 CP out of the other modules are completed
  - 6 month in full time
  - 30 minute presentation of the results
- **Center for Data Analytics** of the University of Basel:
  - provides real datasets from a variety of disciplines for your Master's thesis

# Access to the Master's Program *Data Science*



Bachelor Degree in:

- Computer Science, Computational Science, Mathematics, etc.



Admission without additional requirements if  
**90 ECTS** basic knowledge in Mathematics & Computer  
Science is fulfilled



minimum grade of **5.0 (Swiss grading system)** in your Bachelor Degree

# Access to the Master's Program *Data Science*

- **You should have basic knowledge in the following fields of Mathematics and Computer Science (90 ECTS)**
  - Analysis and Linear Algebra (at least 20 ECTS)
  - Numerical Analysis (at least 4 ECTS)
  - Probability and Statistics (at least 8 ECTS)
  - Programming (at least 12 ECTS)
  - Algorithms and Data Structures (at least 8 ECTS)
  - Databases (at least 6 ECTS)
  - Scientific Computing / Pattern Recognition (at least 12 ECTS)
  - Scientific Communication (at least 3 ECTS)

# Data Science Research in Basel

## Machine Intelligence



**Data Analytics**  
Prof. Ivan Dokmanić



**Artificial Intelligence**  
Prof. Malte Helmert



**Optimization of Machine Learning Systems**  
Prof. Aurelien Lucchi



**Biomedical Data Analysis**  
Prof. Volker Roth

## Distributed Systems



**High Performance Computing**  
Prof. Florina Ciorba



**Databases and Information Systems**  
Prof. Heiko Schuldt



**Computer Networks**  
Prof. Christian Tschudin



**Cyber Security**  
Prof. Isabel Wagner

## Numerical Analysis



**Numerical Analysis**  
Prof. Marcus Grote



**Computational Mathematics**  
Prof. Helmut Harbrecht

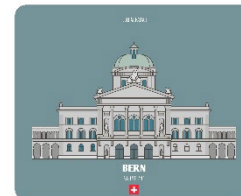
## Probability Theory and Statistics



**Statistical Science**  
Prof. Dr. Jiří Černý

# Occupational Fields

- IT industry
- Chemical and pharmaceutical industry
- Healthcare
- Research positions
- Academia
- Banking and insurance companies
- Automotive industry
- Government and administration
- Policymaking



# Application & Deadlines

- 30.04.2025 Application deadline for the Master's Program (start September 2025)
- 15.09.2025 Start Fall Semester 2025
  
- 30.11.2025 Application deadline for the Master's Program (start February 2025)
- 22.02.2027 Start Spring Semester 2027
  
- Possible requirements can be completed in parallel to the master courses
  
- Information regarding the application:
  - <https://www.unibas.ch> → Information for Prospective Students
  - Application & Admission

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**Thank you.**

