

Course guide

300098 - STCBIG - Big Data Technologies for Connected Industries

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Unit in charge: Castelldefels School of Telecommunications and Aerospace Engineering
Teaching unit: **Degree:** MASTER'S DEGREE IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR CONNECTED INDUSTRIES (AI4CI) (Syllabus 2025). (Optional subject).

Academic year: 2025 **ECTS Credits:** 3.0 **Languages:** English

LECTURER

Coordinating lecturer: Daniele Miorandi (Afliant)

Others:

PRIOR SKILLS

- Basics of data and databases.
- Basics of programming.
- Working knowledge of Python.
- Working usage of Command Line Interface (CLI).

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Lectures during one week (5h - 6h per day) + autonomous project

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT

In an age defined by the sheer magnitude, diversity, and speed of data production, expertise in Big Data Technologies is indispensable. Traditional data management tools are insufficient for managing this data avalanche, necessitating innovative solutions. Our advanced course, 'Big Data Technologies', is tailor-made to equip students with the knowledge and hands-on skills crucial for navigating the realm of Big Data.

Our goal is simple: to instill a profound understanding of Big Data principles, frameworks, and state-of-the-art tools necessary for constructing resilient data systems capable of handling massive and intricate datasets. Throughout this course, students will master the basics of Big Data, recognize its pivotal role in today's data-centric world, and become proficient in employing various technologies and frameworks to design and implement scalable data solutions.

By the end of this intensive program, students will emerge with a refined skill set, enabling them to harness Big Data technologies adeptly, analyze data on a massive scale, and architect data systems primed for real-world challenges. Graduates will be primed to meet the burgeoning industry demand for skilled Big Data professionals, positioning them as invaluable assets in our data-driven landscape.

STUDY LOAD

Type	Hours	Percentage
Self study	48,0	64.00
Hours large group	27,0	36.00

Total learning time: 75 h



CONTENTS

Big Data Technologies

Description:

- The big picture: tech megatrends.
- Data modelling: Data vs data representation; Structured vs unstructured data; Relational data model; Semi-structured data models; Examples: csv, json, xml etc.; Graph data models; Data model vs data format; Data streams; Batch vs stream processing.
- Characteristics of big data: The 3 (5) Vs, Big data vs Small data; Getting value out of big data, Big data strategy.
- Big data management systems: Relational DBs; No-SQL DBs.
- Storing big data: HDFS; Data warehouse; Data lake; Object storage.
- Big data retrieval: Querying SQL; Querying JSON; SPARQL.
- Big data ingestion: Ingestion infrastructure; Message queues; Pub/Sub; MQTT; Apache Kafka.
- Batch processing: MapReduce; Apache Spark.
- Stream processing: Spark Streaming; Apache Flink.

Full-or-part-time: 75h

Theory classes: 27h

Self study : 48h

GRADING SYSTEM

Written quizzes

Project

RESOURCES

Other resources:

Provided in the Moodle platform