INVITED LECTURE

Zoran Obradovic (Laura H. Carnell Professor of Data Analytics, Data Analytics and Biomedical Informatics Center, Computer and Information Sciences Department & Statistics Department, Temple University, USA) is going to lecture on

**Fusion of Qualitative Knowledge and Big Data for Predictive Analytics in Healthcare**

at the **Auditorium of the Central Library** of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki on **Tuesday June 28\(^{th}\), 2016 at 14:00.**

**ABSTRACT**

In this talk we will present an overview of our ongoing projects aimed to facilitate predictive analytics in healthcare. Challenges related to structured regression on multilayer networks, modeling positive and negative influences, uncertainty propagation and effective integration of domain knowledge and big data and the proposed solutions to these challenges will be discussed. The algorithms will be evaluated in the context of applications related to estimating hospitalization cost, predicting admission and mortality rate for high impact diseases at a large number of hospitals, identifying disease relationships and discovering gene-disease interactions.
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