

Applied Course on

Advanced Process Data Analytics

3rd- 5th November & 10th – 12th November 2025

6x half-day, virtual

Aim

The aim of this course is to provide an overview and advanced insight into data analytics and modeling methodologies for process data. Fundamental concepts to visualize high-dimensional and highly correlated process and product quality data, to identify the important process drivers as well as forecast the process and product quality behaviour will be presented in lectures. Hands-on coding and brainstorming sessions will be used to solve case studies from the (biopharmaceutical) industry. After the course, the participants will be aware of relevant techniques and literature for process data analysis and will be able to evaluate different analysis paths for a given problem.

Scope

- Special analysis techniques for process data
- Introduction to multivariate data analysis
- Introduction to machine learning techniques
- Hybrid process modeling based on process data and process know-how
- Model-based process understanding & optimization
- Model-based process monitoring & forecasting
- Application of techniques to industrial cases

Who should attend?

The target group of the course encompasses scientists and engineers from academia and industry who encounter or are working with (bio)process data.

The course shall motivate to utilize the presented techniques in ongoing and perspective projects. Previous experience in data analysis can be advantageous but is not mandatory.

Format

The course takes the form of lectures, industry examples, and case studies as well as hands-on sessions with software tasks (Different software packages will be provided to the participant). Supervisors and graduate assistants will support the participants during the interactive workshops and data analysis sessions. The course will be intense in content, interactive in learning, and interdisciplinary in application and vision.

Principal Lecturers

Alessandro Butté, Ph.D., MBA
CEO of DataHow & Lecturer at ETH Zurich



Besides a long-standing research experience in polymer, separation, and biotechnological processes, Alessandro has several years of experience in the pharma industry. He is a co-author of more than 70 publications and 4 patents.

Michael Sokolov, Ph.D., MBA
COO of DataHow and Lecturer at ETH Zurich



Michael is an expert in bioprocess modelling and regular speaker on the potential of smart digital pharma solutions on international conferences. He conducted his research in close collaboration with the pharma industry and co-authored more than 25 publications.

Moritz von Stosch, Ph.D.
Chief Innovation Officer of DataHow



Moritz is one of the leading experts for hybrid modelling of bioprocesses. He combines an academic career path with several years of experience in the pharma industry. He is a co-author of more than 50 publications on microbial and mammalian upstream as well as downstream processing.

Further Lecturers and Tutors

- **Fabian Feidl**, Ph.D., CTO of DataHow and bioprocess digitalization expert
- **Prof. Massimo Morbidelli**, Thought leader bioprocessing.
- **Adam Szalkowski**, Ph.D., IT infrastructure expert

Venue and Organization

The course will be offered as an interactive presentation through Microsoft Teams. Group activities will be handled in small virtual rooms. The provided software from DataHow as well as the open-source packages can be used during and after the course.

Despite the limitations of such a teaching format, it is our clear intention to deliver the content in similar comprehensibility to an in-person event and allow for many questions and discussions.

The participants are welcome to provide their own case studies to be solved in the brainstorming sessions as well as in dedicated Q&A sessions.

Course date and program

A preliminary program is found on the last page of this document.

The course will be distributed over **6 days with half-day teaching sessions.**

Course fees

The course fees are:

- **Industry:** CHF 2'950.00 This course is tailored to professionals in (bio)processing spanning process development through manufacturing.
- **Academia:** CHF 1'750.00 The course is accessible to educators and researchers affiliated with universities.
- **Students:** CHF 700.00 The course is available to students upon request. Please send a confirmation of your enrollment in a university to our course management – m.speich@datahow.ch

The fee includes lecture and case study summaries in electronic formats as well as the cost of all communication platforms and software packages used in the course.

Terms and Conditions

Confirmation: A signed confirmation of completion will be delivered to each participant after the course.

Number of participants: A minimum of 8 will be accepted in the course.

Cancellation policy: Cancellation of registration must be submitted in writing or via email to m.speich@datahow.ch

Cancellations made later than 3 weeks before the course start will be subject to a 30% cancellation fee. A colleague may be substituted without penalty. Full refunds will be made in the case that the course is cancelled, e.g., due to insufficient enrolment.

Registration

Registration is binding unless the minimum of participants cannot be reached. When registering you agree to receive any information regarding the course and other DataHow information for marketing purposes.

In case of any questions, please contact:

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We look forward to another great edition with you.

Your DataHow-team.



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Agenda of the Advanced Process Data Analytics Course

Agenda of Autumn 2025 Edition:

Monday, November 3rd: Course (Day 1)

14:00 – 18:00 CET	Multivariate Data Analysis (MVDA) Methods
14:00 – 14:30	Introduction of the lecturing team and participants
14:30 – 15:30	Motivation for MVDA and Process data specialties
15:45 – 17:00	PCA and Missing Data Handling
17:00 – 18:00	Hands-on Experience & Industrial Use Cases

Tuesday, November 4th: Advanced Course (Day 2)

14:00 – 18:45 CET	Advanced MVDA Methods
14:00 – 14:45	Multivariate Regression – MLR, PCR, PLSR
14:45 – 15:45	PLS2 and Variable Importance
16:00 – 16:50	Decision Trees, Software landscape for process digitalization
16:50 – 17:30	Why do we need non-linear process models?
17:30 – 18:45	Hands-on Experience & Industrial Use Cases

Wednesday, November 5th: Advanced Course (Day 3)

14:00 – 18:00 CET	Machine Learning (ML) Methods
14:00 – 15:00	Introduction to Machine Learning
15:00 – 16:00	Examples of Machine Learning tools
16:15 – 17:30	Gaussian Processes
17:30 – 18:30	Hands-on Experience & Industrial Use Cases

Monday, November 10th: Advanced Course (Day 4)

14:00 – 18:30 CET	Combination of Data and Knowledge-driven Approaches
14:00 – 15:00	Basic Principles of Hybrid Models
15:15 – 16:45	Examples of Hybrid Models (USP and continuous processes)
17:00 – 18:30	Hands-on Experience & Industrial Use Cases

Tuesday, November 11th: Advanced Course (Day 5)

14:00 – 18:15 CET	Applications of smart digital solutions in bioprocessing
14:00 – 14:30	Digital Twins in bioprocessing
14:30 – 15:30	Examples of Hybrid Models (DSP)
15:45 – 17:00	Machine Learning models for Spectral Data, Kalman and Particle Filters
17:00 – 18:15	Hands-on Experience & Industrial Use Cases

Wednesday, November 12th: Advanced Course (Day 6)

14:00 – 18:45 CET	Smart digital solutions to support decision-taking
14:00 – 14:45	Bayesian Inference and model-based experimental design
14:45 – 15:30	Application for parallel and robotic reactor systems
15:30 – 16:15	Robustness analysis and model-based process optimization
16:30 – 18:30	Mini Hackathon
18:30 – 18:45	Feedback & Certificates