

1. Exoplanet Detection using Transit Photometry

Goal: Use machine learning to detect dips in stellar brightness that indicate exoplanets.

- **Tools:** Python, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow/Keras, Lightkurve library
 - **Datasets:** NASA Kepler, TESS
 - **Resources:**
 - Kepler ML Tutorial
 - Lightkurve Docs
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2. Galaxy Morphological Classification using Deep Learning

Goal: Train a CNN to classify galaxy shapes (e.g., spiral, elliptical) from images.

- **Tools:** TensorFlow, PyTorch, OpenCV
 - **Dataset:** Galaxy Zoo
 - **Resources:**
 - [Galaxy Zoo ML Paper](#)
 - FastAI or TensorFlow image classification tutorials
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3. Supernova Detection and Classification

Goal: Use LSTM or other temporal models to detect supernovae from light curve data.

- **Tools:** Keras, Pandas, Scikit-learn
- **Dataset:** Supernova Photometric Classification Challenge (SPCC)
- **Resources:**

- [Harvard Astrophysics Supernovae Resources](#)
 - Time Series ML Guides
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4. Gravitational Wave Event Detection

Goal: Train neural networks to identify gravitational wave signals in noisy data.

- **Tools:** PyTorch, TensorFlow
 - **Dataset:** [LIGO Open Science Center](#)
 - **Resources:**
 - Kaggle GWD Challenge
 - [GW ML Paper](#)
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5. Star Cluster Identification in Astronomical Images

Goal: Use unsupervised learning (e.g., K-means, DBSCAN) to detect star clusters in dense stellar fields.

- **Tools:** Scikit-learn, Astropy, matplotlib
 - **Dataset:** Gaia Archive
 - **Resources:**
 - [Gaia DR3 ML Papers](#)
 - Scikit-learn clustering tutorials
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6. Meteor Shower Classification from Radio Data

Goal: Analyze and classify meteor showers using radio signal traces and ML.

- **Tools:** Librosa (audio analysis), TensorFlow
 - **Dataset:** Radio astronomy observatories (manual collection or public datasets)
 - **Resources:**
 - [Radio Meteor Detection](#)
 - Librosa Audio Analysis Guide
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7. Predicting Solar Flares using Space Weather Data

Goal: Apply ML models to time-series data to predict solar flares or coronal mass ejections.

- **Tools:** LSTM, XGBoost, Prophet
 - **Dataset:** [NASA's Heliophysics Data Portal](#), GOES Satellite Data
 - **Resources:**
 - NOAA Solar Dataset
 - [AI for Space Weather](#)
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8. Mapping Dark Matter with Weak Lensing Data

Goal: Use ML to estimate gravitational lensing distortions and infer dark matter distribution.

- **Tools:** Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), Autoencoders
- **Dataset:** LSST Simulated Data
- **Resources:**
 - [Euclid Weak Lensing Resources](#)
 - [Dark Energy Survey ML](#)

9. Anomaly Detection in Satellite Telescope Data

Goal: Use unsupervised ML to find unexpected or rare astrophysical events in telescope imagery.

- **Tools:** Autoencoders, Isolation Forest
- **Dataset:** Zwicky Transient Facility (ZTF)
- **Resources:**
 - Outlier Detection with ML
 - [AstroAnomaly Toolkit](#)

10. AI for Automated Telescope Scheduling and Observation Planning

Goal: Use reinforcement learning to optimize telescope pointing and data acquisition.

- **Tools:** Reinforcement Learning (RLlib, OpenAI Gym), optimization libraries
- **Dataset:** Custom simulation or scheduling logs
- **Resources:**
 - [AstroRL Papers](#)
 - [RL for Astronomical Observation](#)