

In first week of December [U of Ljubljana](http://www.uni-lj.si/en/about_university_of_ljubljana.aspx) celebrates traditional "Week of University" ([Why](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University_of_Ljubljana#History)?) during which numerous invited lectures, presentations and award ceremonies are organized.

This year, I was awarded the faculty award for best students and Preseren Award of U of Ljubljana for [thesis "A Matrix Factorization Approach for Inference of Prediction Models from Heterogeneous Data Sources"](index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=73:undergraduate-thesis-defense) (slo: univerzitetna Presernova nagrada za delo "Pristop matrične faktorizacije za gradnjo napovednih modelov iz heterogenih podatkovnih virov"). I would like to thank my supervisor and mentor Prof. dr. Blaž Zupan for encouragement and advice he provides throughout my time as his student. I am lucky to have a supervisor who cares so much about my work and responds to my questions promptly. I could not have won the award without his support and mentoring.

- Preseren Award of U Ljubljana ([university news](http://www.uni-lj.si/studij_na_univerzi/presernove_nagrade_studentom/presernovi_nagrajenci_2012.aspx)), [faculty news](http://www.fri.uni-lj.si/si/novice_in_dogodki/aktivne/14941/novica.html), [CS News](http://www.racunalniske-novice.com/novice/sporocila-za-javnost/marinka-zitnik-je-prejela-univerzitetno-presernovo-nagrado.html) all in Slovene)
- [Video of event at FRI Day recorded by Slavko Zitnik](http://zitnik.si/wordpress/2012/12/05/marinka-zitnik-sestra-cestitam-za-vse-uspehe-univerzitetno-in-fakultetno-presernovo-nagrado/) (Thanks, Slavko)
- Interview at national news RTVSLO ([faculty news](http://www.fri.uni-lj.si/si/novice_in_dogodki/aktivne/15059/novica.html)), [Prvi Dnevnik](http://tvslo.si/predvajaj/izjemni-dosezki-studentov/ava2.152948561/), both in Slovene)
- Interview at [Mladina](http://www.mladina.si/118720/marinka-zitnik-to-kar-dela-racunalnistvo-se-posebej-zanimivo-je-njegova-uporabnost-na-skoraj-vse/)
- Interview at [Metina lista](http://metinalista.si/marinka-zitnik-presernova-nagrajenka/)
- ["Good Stories" \(Dobre zgodbe\)](http://www.24ur.com/dobrezgodbe/dobre-zgodbe-znanja-ti-ne-more-vzeti-nihce.html) at POPTV-24ur.