

# 01c - Introduction - scikit-learn

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## 1 scikit-learn

scikit-learn is the most prominent Python library for machine learning:

- Contains many state-of-the-art machine learning algorithms
- Offers [comprehensive documentation](#) about each algorithm.
- Widely used, and a wealth of [tutorials](#) and code snippets are available online.
- scikit-learn works well with numpy, scipy, pandas, matplotlib,...

### 1.1 Algorithms

See the [Reference](#)

#### **Supervised learning:**

- Linear models (Ridge, Lasso, Elastic Net, ...)
- Support Vector Machines
- Tree-based methods (Classification/Regression Trees, Random Forests,...)
- Nearest neighbors
- Neural networks
- Gaussian Processes
- Feature selection

#### **Unsupervised learning:**

- Clustering (KMeans, ...)
- Matrix Decomposition (PCA, ...)
- Manifold Learning (Embeddings)
- Density estimation
- Outlier detection

#### **Model selection and evaluation:**

- Cross-validation
- Grid-search
- Lots of metrics

### 1.1.1 Data import

Multiple options:

- A few toy datasets are included in `sklearn.datasets`
- You can import data files (CSV) with `pandas` or `numpy`
- You can import 1000s of machine learning datasets from OpenML

## 1.2 Example: classification

Classify types of Iris flowers (setosa, versicolor, or virginica) based on the flower sepals and petal leave sizes. [Iris](#)

```
In [9]: from preamble import * # Imports to make code nicer
        %matplotlib inline
        HTML(''<style>.CodeMirror{min-width:100% !important;}</style>'') # For slides
```

```
Out[9]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

Note: `sklearn` will return a Bunch object (similar to a dict)

```
In [3]: from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
        iris_dataset = load_iris()

        print("Keys of iris_dataset: {}".format(iris_dataset.keys()))
        print(iris_dataset['DESCR'][:193] + "\n...")
```

```
Keys of iris_dataset: dict_keys(['target', 'DESCR', 'data', 'feature_names', 'target_names'])
Iris Plants Database
=====
```

Notes

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Data Set Characteristics:

:Number of Instances: 150 (50 in each of three classes)

:Number of Attributes: 4 numeric, predictive att

...

The targets (classes) and features are stored as lists, the data as an ndarray

```
In [4]: print("Target names: {}".format(iris_dataset['target_names']))
        print("Feature names: {}".format(iris_dataset['feature_names']))
        print("Shape of data: {}".format(iris_dataset['data'].shape))
        print("First five columns of data:\n{}".format(iris_dataset['data'][:5]))
```

```
Target names: ['setosa' 'versicolor' 'virginica']
```

```
Feature names: ['sepal length (cm)', 'sepal width (cm)', 'petal length (cm)', 'petal width (cm)']
```

```
Shape of data: (150, 4)
```

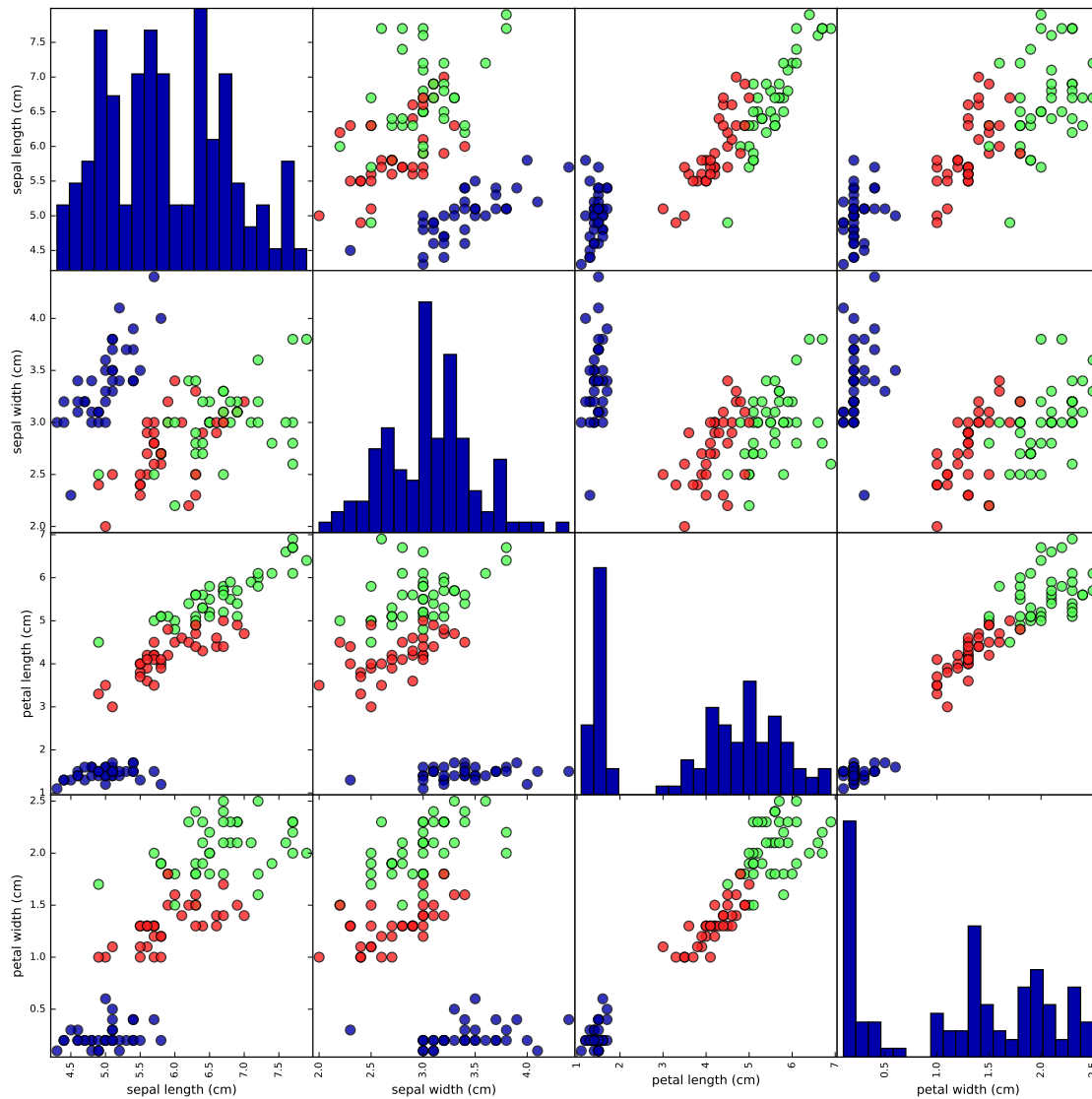
```
First five columns of data:
```



## 1.2.2 First things first: Look at your data

Let's use pandas to visualize our data.

```
In [10]: # Build a DataFrame with the training examples and feature names
iris_dataframe = pd.DataFrame(X_train, columns=iris_dataset.feature_names)
# create a scatter matrix from the dataframe, color by class (y_train)
grr = pd.scatter_matrix(iris_dataframe, c=y_train, figsize=(15, 15), marker='o',
                        hist_kwds={'bins': 20}, s=60, alpha=.8, cmap=mglearn.cm3)
```



## 1.2.3 Building your first model

All scikitlearn classifiers follow the same interface

```
In [ ]: class SupervisedEstimator(...):
        def __init__(self, hyperparam, ...):

        def fit(self, X, y): # Fit the training data (build a model)
            ... # given data X and targets y
            return self

        def predict(self, X): # Use the trained model to make predictions
            ... # on unseen data X
            return y_pred

        def score(self, X, y): # Evaluate the model: predict and compare to true labels y
            ...
            return score
```

### 1.2.4 K nearest nearest neighbors

- Simplest 'learning' algorithm
- Just stores the training set (in a special data structure)
- To make a prediction for a new data point, find the  $k$  points in the training set that are closest to the new point.
- Return the class that is most prevalent among the  $k$  training points
  - Can also return a probability for each class given the distribution

#### kNN

kNN is included in `sklearn.neighbors`, let's build our first model

```
In [13]: from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
        knn = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=1)
        knn.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

```
Out[13]: KNeighborsClassifier(algorithm='auto', leaf_size=30, metric='minkowski',
                             metric_params=None, n_jobs=1, n_neighbors=1, p=2,
                             weights='uniform')
```

### 1.2.5 Making predictions

Let's create a new example and ask the kNN model to classify it

```
In [14]: X_new = np.array([[5, 2.9, 1, 0.2]])
        prediction = knn.predict(X_new)
        print("Prediction: {}".format(prediction))
        print("Predicted target name: {}".format(
            iris_dataset['target_names'][prediction]))
```

```
Prediction: [0]
Predicted target name: ['setosa']
```

## 1.2.6 Evaluating the model

Feeding all test examples to the model yields all predictions

```
In [29]: y_pred = knn.predict(X_test)
         print("Test set predictions:\n {}".format(y_pred))
```

Test set predictions:

```
[2 1 0 2 0 2 0 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 2 1 0 0 2 0 0 1 1 0 2 1 0 2 2 1 0
 2]
```

We can now just count what percentage was correct

```
In [30]: print("Test set score: {:.2f}".format(np.mean(y_pred == y_test)))
```

Test set score: 0.97

The score function does the same thing (by default)

```
In [31]: print("Test set score: {:.2f}".format(knn.score(X_test, y_test)))
```

Test set score: 0.97

## 1.3 Summary

This is all you need to train and evaluate a model

```
In [32]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
         iris_dataset['data'], iris_dataset['target'], random_state=0)
```

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```

```
     print("Test set score: {:.2f}".format(knn.score(X_test, y_test)))
```

Test set score: 0.97

## 1.4 The road ahead

This is NOT how we *actually* build and evaluate machine learning models There are many more things to take into account:

- How to build optimal train/test splits?
- Is the percentage of correct predictions actually a good evaluator?
- Which other algorithms can I try to build models?
- How do we tune the hyperparameters (e.g. the  $k$  of kNN)?
- What if the data has missing values, outliers, noise,...?
- Which features can we actually use to build models?
- Will future examples be anything like our current data?

```
In [ ]:
```