

Module-04, Python for Machine Learning

Classification Algorithms (Random Forest)

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Python Code: Random Forest

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from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

# Assuming 'X' is feature matrix and 'y' is target variable
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = ...
...train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2)

# Creating and training the model
model = RandomForestClassifier()
model.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Making predictions
predictions = model.predict(X_test)
# Evaluating accuracy
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, predictions)
```



Great Job
Thank yo

