



scikit-learn is a Python module for machine learning built on top of SciPy and is distributed under the 3-Clause BSD license.

The project was started in 2007 by David Cournapeau as a Google Summer of Code project, and since then many volunteers have contributed. See the [About us](#) page for a list of core contributors.

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Website: <https://scikit-learn.org>

Installation

Dependencies

scikit-learn requires:

- Python (≥ 3.8)
- NumPy ($\geq 1.17.3$)
- SciPy ($\geq 1.3.2$)
- joblib ($\geq 1.0.0$)
- threadpoolctl ($\geq 2.0.0$)

Scikit-learn 0.20 was the last version to support Python 2.7 and Python 3.4. scikit-learn 1.0 and later require Python 3.7 or newer. scikit-learn 1.1 and later require Python 3.8 or newer.

Scikit-learn plotting capabilities (i.e., functions start with `plot_` and classes end with "Display") require Matplotlib ($\geq 3.1.2$). For running the examples Matplotlib $\geq 3.1.2$ is required. A few examples require scikit-image $\geq 0.14.5$, a few examples require pandas $\geq 1.0.5$, some examples require seaborn $\geq 0.9.0$.

User installation

If you already have a working installation of numpy and scipy, the easiest way to install scikit-learn is using `pip`:

```
pip install -U scikit-learn
```

or `conda`:

```
conda install -c conda-forge scikit-learn
```

The documentation includes more detailed [installation instructions](#).

Changelog

See the [changelog](#) for a history of notable changes to scikit-learn.

Development

We welcome new contributors of all experience levels. The scikit-learn community goals are to be helpful, welcoming, and effective. The [Development Guide](#) has detailed information about contributing code, documentation, tests, and more. We've included some basic information in this README.

Important links

- Official source code repo: <https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-learn>
- Download releases: <https://pypi.org/project/scikit-learn/>
- Issue tracker: <https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-learn/issues>

Source code

You can check the latest sources with the command:

```
git clone https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-learn.git
```

Contributing

To learn more about making a contribution to scikit-learn, please see our [Contributing guide](#).

Testing

After installation, you can launch the test suite from outside the source directory (you will need to have `pytest >= 5.0.1` installed):

```
pytest sklearn
```

See the web page https://scikit-learn.org/dev/developers/advanced_installation.html#testing for more information.

Random number generation can be controlled during testing by setting the `SKLEARN_SEED` environment variable.

Submitting a Pull Request

Before opening a Pull Request, have a look at the full Contributing page to make sure your code complies with our guidelines: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/developers/index.html>

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Note: *scikit-learn* was previously referred to as *scikits.learn*.

Help and Support

Documentation

- HTML documentation (stable release): <https://scikit-learn.org>
- HTML documentation (development version): <https://scikit-learn.org/dev/>
- FAQ: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/faq.html>

Communication

- Mailing list: <https://mail.python.org/mailman/listinfo/scikit-learn>
- Gitter: <https://gitter.im/scikit-learn/scikit-learn>
- Blog: <https://blog.scikit-learn.org>
- Calendar: <https://blog.scikit-learn.org/calendar/>
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/scikit_learn
- Twitter (commits): https://twitter.com/sklearn_commits
- Stack Overflow: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/tagged/scikit-learn>
- Github Discussions: <https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-learn/discussions>
- Website: <https://scikit-learn.org>
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/scikit-learn>
- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJosFjYm0ZYVUARxuOZqnnw/playlists>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/scikitlearnofficial/>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/scikitlearnofficial/>
- TikTok: <https://www.tiktok.com/@scikit.learn>

Citation

If you use scikit-learn in a scientific publication, we would appreciate citations: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/about.html#citing-scikit-learn>