scikit-learn packages are available in recent distributions of Debian and Ubuntu, but these aren't always up to date. Here is a quick and dirty way to make a scikit-learn deb package from source.

1. Get the <u>stdeb</u> package:

```
sudo apt-get install python-stdeb python-dev-all
```

or

```
sudo pip install stdeb
```

2. Fetch the latest scikit-learn tarball, or even checkout the bleeding edge from GitHub. Enter the toplevel source directory, then issue

```
python setup.py --command-packages=stdeb.command sdist_dsc --depends python-
numpy,python-scipy bdist_deb
```

Now, you'll find a directory $\mbox{deb_dist}$ under the toplevel dir, which contains a file $\mbox{python-scikit-learn_0.10-1_amd64.deb}$ (or similar). There's your $\mbox{.deb}$, ready for installation with a command like \mbox{sudo} dpkg- \mbox{i} .