

# Datascience fundamentals

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Lecture: Model deployment

# Model Deployment

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- Overview
  - General Theory and Concepts
  - Model Persistence Basics
  - Model Deployment as an API

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- General Theory and Concepts
  - When is a model ready for deployment?
  - How often to retrain your model?
  - When to revisit model algorithm choice and assumptions?

# Model Deployment

- Model Persistence Basics
  - Quick walkthrough ML steps.
  - Review on saving and loading a fitted model.

# Model Deployment

- Model Deployment as an API
  - Save a model as a serialized pickle file.
  - Create a .py script to read in JSON feature data and produce predictions.
  - Use Flask to accept features and return predictions as an API with POST and GET (using Postman).

# Let's get started!

# Model Deployment

## General Concepts



# Model Deployment

- Key Model Deployment Ideas
  - Choosing a Model
  - Purpose of Deployment
  - Performance Expectations
  - Retraining Intervals

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## ● Choosing a Model

- Often you will explore multiple models and then compare performance metrics.
- Consider tradeoffs between model interpretability and performance.
  - For example, are coefficients for features available?

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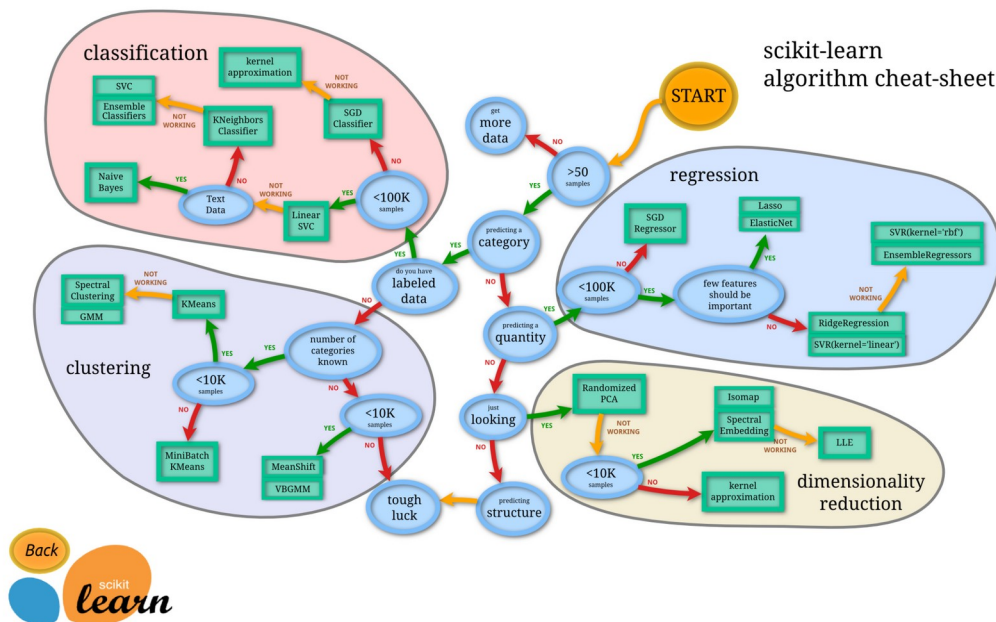
- Choosing a Model

- Always test out multiple models and remember to perform cross-validation to fairly compare models and perform hyperparameter tuning.

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- Choosing a Model - Scikit-Learn Map
  - Check online for “Choosing the right estimator” for a guided map on which algorithms to first consider.
  - Remember you can always try multiple algorithms and simply compare performance metrics.

## ● Choosing a Model - Scikit-Learn Map



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- Purpose of Deployment

- Deployment considerations vary widely depending on the scale and usage of the model:

- Small portfolio project?
    - Enterprise level deployment?

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- Purpose of Deployment

- Small Portfolio Project

- Consider writing a “blog” post instead of full deployment.
    - Set up simple API Flask-based website, possibly on a free tier service like Heroku.
      - Requires web dev skills.

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## ● Purpose of Deployment

### ○ Enterprise Level

- Need to make considerations across multiple stakeholders.
- Typically not in the realm of the data scientist who created the model.
- Communicate with your team!



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- Performance Expectations
  - Make sure to set clear expectations on model performance based on cross validation (final hold-out set).
  - Do **not** set expectations based on the fully trained model, as it will not be representative of the true performance on unseen data.

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- Performance Expectations

- Model Training Workflow:

- Train|Test|Validation split.
    - Hyperparameter tuning.
    - Report results on final holdout set.
    - Retrain model on all data prior to deployment.

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- Retraining Intervals:
  - After deployment, how often should we retrain our model on new incoming data?
    - Answer: It completely depends on your situation!
  - Let's consider some key factors.

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- Retraining Intervals Considerations:
  - Is performance still good?
    - More nuanced and harder to clarify once model is deployed, since in theory you wouldn't have the correct "labeled" data.
    - Depends on situation, use your best judgement here!

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- Retraining Intervals Considerations:
  - How often are you getting new data?
    - Data Considerations:
      - Size of new data.
      - New data is labeled.
      - Percentage of total data that was used for training.

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- Retraining Intervals Considerations:
  - How often are you getting new data?
    - For example, we have a total of 1GB of original training data.
    - But we receive 1GB of new labeled data a month!
    - After a month, we've only trained on 50% of available data.

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- Final Thoughts:
  - Model creation and deployment in an organization is almost never the purview of a single person.
  - Use your domain expertise and colleagues to figure out the best strategy.

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## ● Final Thoughts:

- At the end of the day, there are no set 100% correct rules or answers.
- We've seen how machine learning constantly evolves, use this degree of freedom to innovate!



# Model Persistence

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- Let's quickly review the “lifecycle” of creating, training, saving, and loading a machine learning model with Scikit-Learn.
- We'll set up a saved model to be used in the next series of API lectures.

# Model Deployment API

Part One: General Overview

# Model Deployment

- The Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is designed to enable communications between clients and servers.
- Two key communication protocols are GET and POST, which allow a client to obtain information and provide information.

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- API stands for Application Programming Interface.
- An API can serve as an interface for GET and POST requests.
- Our goal is to let our Scikit-Learn model be “served” as an API which can get and receive information.

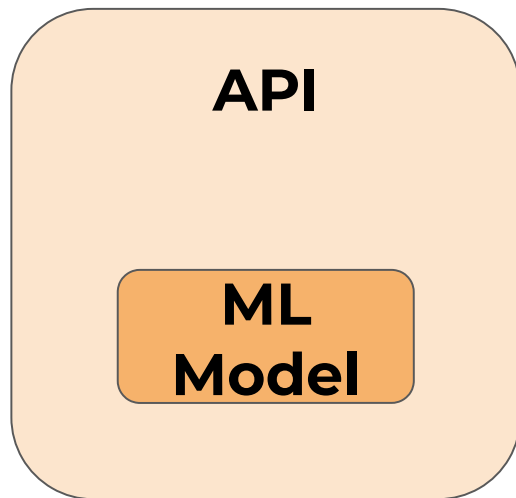
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**ML  
Model**

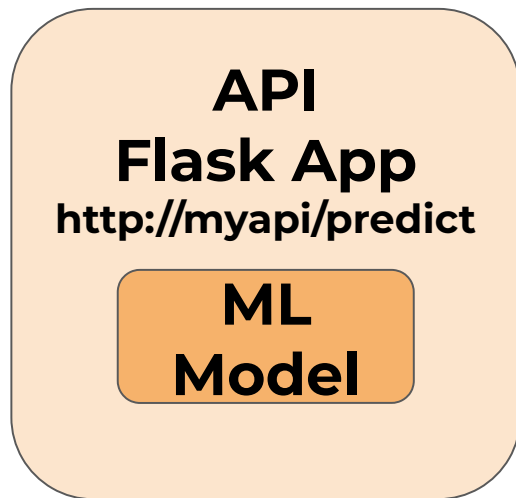
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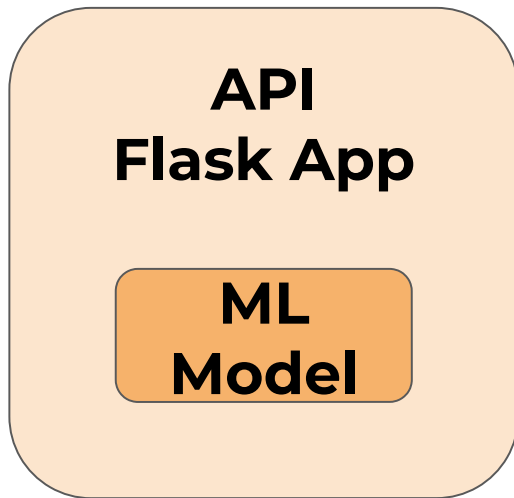
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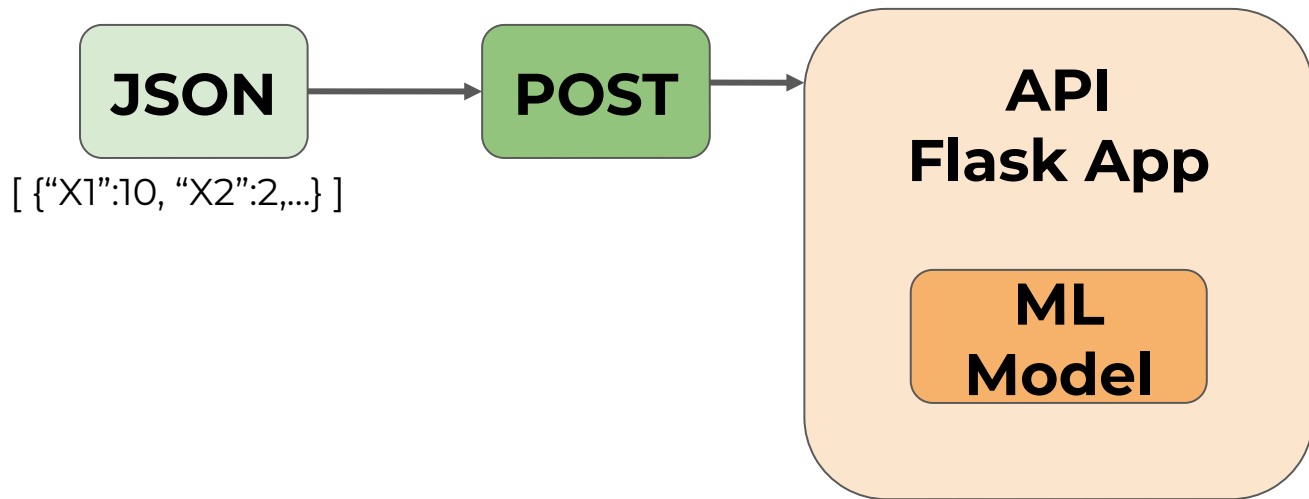
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**API  
Flask App**

**ML  
Model**

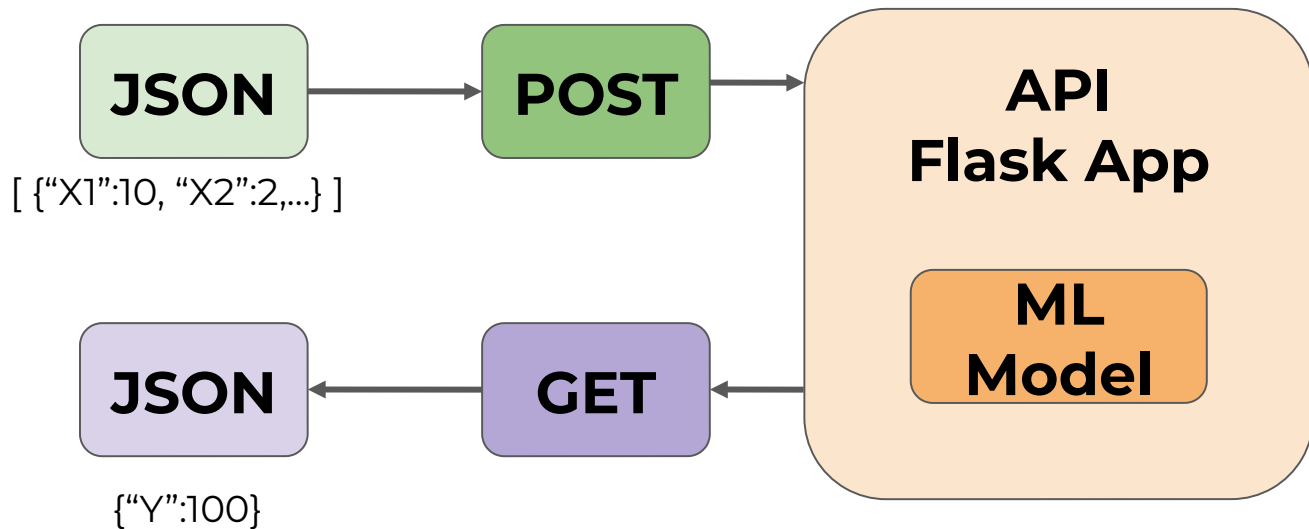
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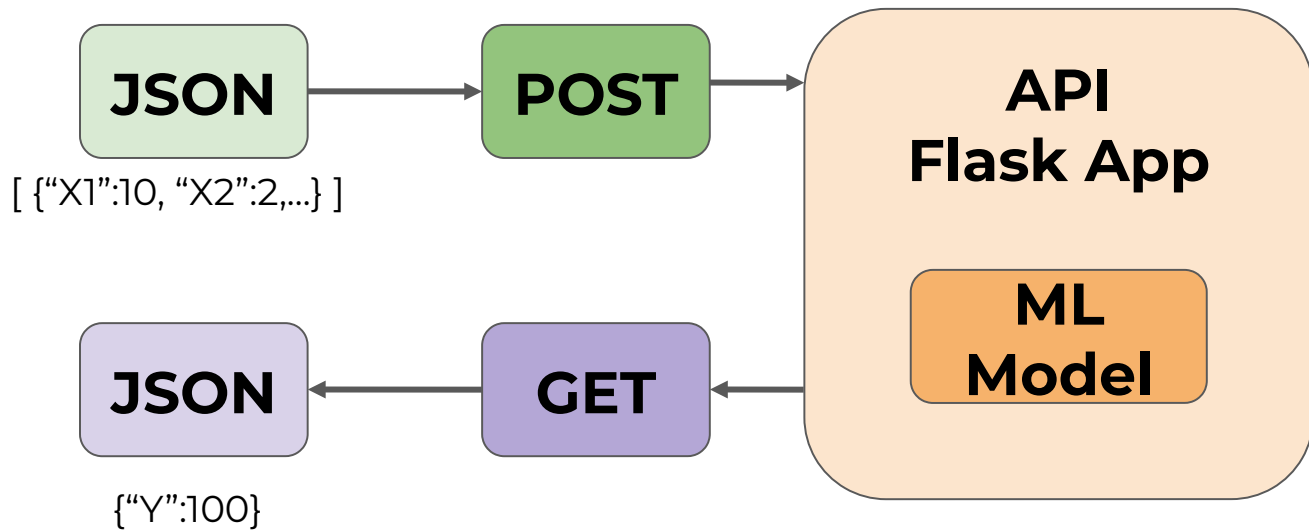
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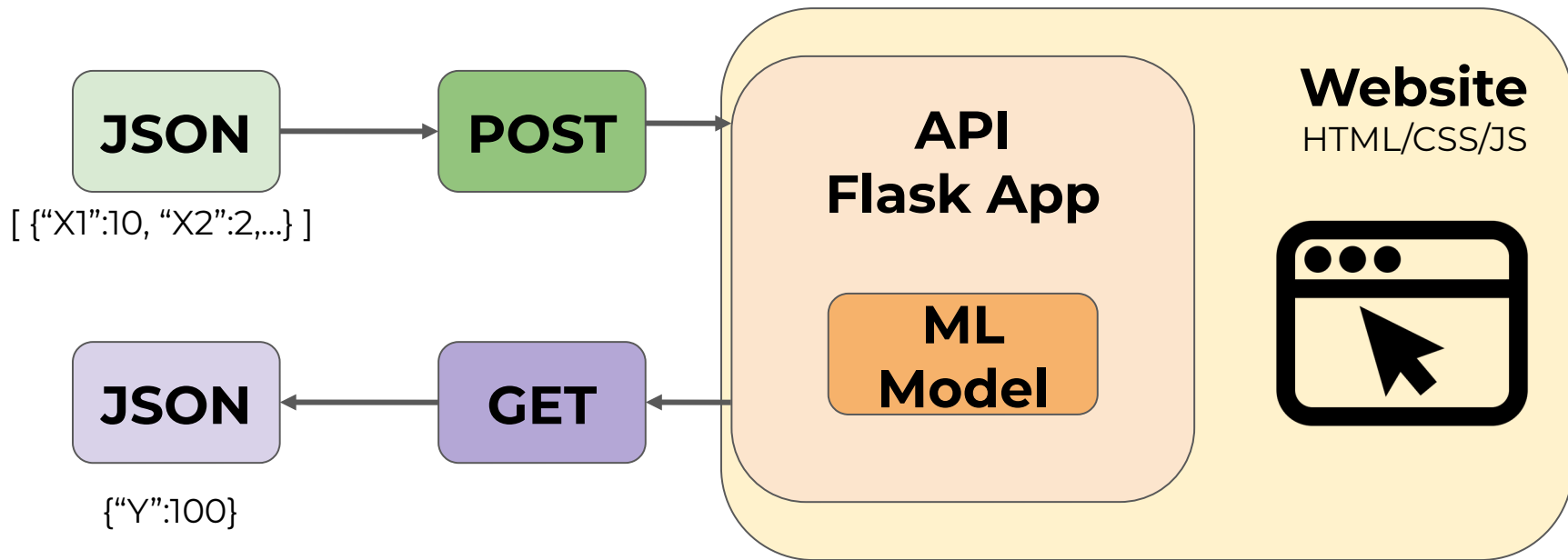
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- Model API Deployment Steps:
  - Install Flask
  - Create simple Flask App for API
  - Connect ML model to Flask API
  - Install Postman
  - Test API through Postman

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## ● ***Important Notes:***

- We will only create the simple API interface and not a full website (full website would require HTML, CSS, and Web Development experience).
- Take a look at a Django or Full-Stack Flask course for more information on creating web applications.



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## ● ***Important Notes:***

- Due to the nature of a Flask API being served through HTTP, Jupyter can interfere with the application.
- You must run the API code as a Python Script file (.py file).
- Feel free to use **any** preferred editor for this.

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- Coming up next, let's install Flask and create our Flask API Routing call in a .py python script for our Scikit-Learn model!

# Model Deployment API

Part Two: Creating API Script

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- Important note!
  - We will need to install Flask library
    - **pip install Flask**
    - **conda install Flask**
  - Or install through Anaconda Navigator by searching for Flask library.

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Part Three: Testing the API

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- Important note!
  - We will need to download and install Postman:
    - <https://www.postman.com>