

In [1]:

```
from sklearn import datasets
boston = datasets.load_boston()
```

C:\ProgramData\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\sklearn\utils\deprecation.py:87: FutureWarning: Function load\_boston is deprecated; `load\_boston` is deprecated in 1.0 and will be removed in 1.2.

The Boston housing prices dataset has an ethical problem. You can refer to the documentation of this function for further details.

The scikit-learn maintainers therefore strongly discourage the use of this dataset unless the purpose of the code is to study and educate about ethical issues in data science and machine learning.

In this special case, you can fetch the dataset from the original source::

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

data_url = "http://lib.stat.cmu.edu/datasets/boston"
raw_df = pd.read_csv(data_url, sep="\s+", skiprows=22, header=None)
data = np.hstack([raw_df.values[::2, :], raw_df.values[1::2, :2]])
target = raw_df.values[1::2, 2]
```

Alternative datasets include the California housing dataset (i.e. :func:`~sklearn.datasets.fetch\_california\_housing`) and the Ames housing dataset. You can load the datasets as follows::

```
from sklearn.datasets import fetch_california_housing
housing = fetch_california_housing()
```

for the California housing dataset and::

```
from sklearn.datasets import fetch_openml
housing = fetch_openml(name="house_prices", as_frame=True)
```

for the Ames housing dataset.  
warnings.warn(msg, category=FutureWarning)

In [2]:

```
import pandas as pd
bos = pd.DataFrame(boston.data, columns = boston.feature_names)
bos['Price'] = boston.target
X = bos.drop("Price", 1)      # feature matrix
y = bos['Price']              # target feature
bos.head()
```

<ipython-input-2-613ca785737c>:4: FutureWarning: In a future version of pandas all arguments of DataFrame.drop except for the argument 'labels' will be keyword-only.  
X = bos.drop("Price", 1) # feature matrix

Out[2]:

	CRIM	ZN	INDUS	CHAS	NOX	RM	AGE	DIS	RAD	TAX	PTRATIO	B	LSTAT	Price
0	0.00632	18.0	2.31	0.0	0.538	6.575	65.2	4.0900	1.0	296.0	15.3	396.90	4.98	24.0
1	0.02731	0.0	7.07	0.0	0.469	6.421	78.9	4.9671	2.0	242.0	17.8	396.90	9.14	21.6
2	0.02729	0.0	7.07	0.0	0.469	7.185	61.1	4.9671	2.0	242.0	17.8	392.83	4.03	34.7
3	0.03237	0.0	2.18	0.0	0.458	6.998	45.8	6.0622	3.0	222.0	18.7	394.63	2.94	33.4
4	0.06905	0.0	2.18	0.0	0.458	7.147	54.2	6.0622	3.0	222.0	18.7	396.90	5.33	36.2

In [3]:

```
#Implementing Forward selection using built-in functions in Python
from mlxtend.feature_selection import SequentialFeatureSelector as SFS
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
# Sequential Forward Selection(sfs)
sfs = SFS(LinearRegression(),
          k_features=11,
          forward=True,
          floating=False,
          scoring = 'r2',
          cv = 0)
```

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```
sfs.fit(X, y)
sfs.k_feature_names_
```

Out[4]:

```
('CRIM',
'ZN',
'CHAS',
'NOX',
'RM',
'DIS',
'RAD',
'TAX',
'PTRATIO',
'B',
'LSTAT')
```

In [5]:

```
#Backward elimination
sbs = SFS(LinearRegression(),
          k_features=11,
          forward=False,
          floating=False,
          cv=0)
```

In [6]:

```
sbs.fit(X, y)
sbs.k_feature_names_
```

Out[6]:

```
('CRIM',
'ZN',
'CHAS',
'NOX',
'RM',
'DIS',
'RAD',
'TAX',
'PTRATIO',
'B',
'LSTAT')
```

In [7]:

```
#Bi-directional elimination(Step-wise Selection)
# Sequential Forward Floating Selection(sffs)
sffs = SFS(LinearRegression(),
           k_features=(3,11),
           forward=True,
           floating=True,
           cv=0)
```

In [8]:

```
sffs.fit(X, y)
sffs.k_feature_names_
```

Out[8]:

```
('CRIM',
'ZN',
'CHAS',
'NOX',
'RM',
'DIS',
'RAD',
'TAX',
'PTRATIO',
'B',
'LSTAT')
```

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