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Scikit-learn defines a simple API for creating visualizations for machine learning. The key feature of this API is to allow for quick plotting and visual adjustments without recalculation. We provide `Display` classes that expose two methods for creating plots: `from_estimator` and `from_predictions`.

The `from_estimator` method generates a `Display` object from a fitted estimator, input data (`X`, `y`), and a plot. The `from_predictions` method creates a `Display` object from true and predicted values (\dot{y}_{t}), and a plot.

Using `from_predictions` avoids having to recompute predictions, but the user needs to take care that the prediction values passed correspond to the `pos_label`. For :term:`predict_proba`, select the column corresponding to the `pos_label` class while for :term:`decision_function`, revert the score (i.e. multiply by -1) if `pos_label` is not the last class in the `classes_` attribute of your estimator.

The `Display` object stores the computed values (e.g., metric values or feature importance) required for plotting with Matplotlib. These values are the results derived from the raw predictions passed to `from_predictions`, or an estimator and `X` passed to `from_estimator`.

Display objects have a plot method that creates a matplotlib plot once the display object has been initialized (note that we recommend that display objects are created via `from_estimator` or `from_predictions` instead of initialized directly). The plot method allows adding to an existing plot by passing the existing plots :class:`matplotlib.axes.Axes` to the `ax` parameter.

In the following example, we plot a ROC curve for a fitted Logistic Regression model `from_estimator`:

If you already have the prediction values, you could instead use `from_predictions` to do the same thing (and save on compute):

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    from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
    from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
    from sklearn.metrics import RocCurveDisplay
    from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
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X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
    y = y == 2 # make binary
    X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
      X, y, test_size=.8, random_state=42
    clf = LogisticRegression(random_state=42, C=.01)
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
    # select the probability of the class that we considered to be the positive label
    y_pred = clf.predict_proba(X_test)[:, 1]
    clf_disp = RocCurveDisplay.from_predictions(y_test, y_pred)
The returned `clf_disp` object allows us to add another curve to the already computed
ROC curve. In this case, the `clf_disp` is a :class:`~sklearn.metrics.RocCurveDisplay`
that stores the computed values as attributes called `roc_auc`, `fpr`, and `tpr`.
Next, we train a random forest classifier and plot the previously computed ROC curve
again by using the `plot` method of the `Display` object.
.. plot::
  :context: close-figs
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    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
    rfc = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=10, random_state=42)
   rfc.fit(X_train, y_train)
    ax = plt.gca()
    rfc_disp = RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(
     rfc, X_test, y_test, ax=ax, curve_kwargs={"alpha": 0.8}
    clf_disp.plot(ax=ax, curve_kwargs={"alpha": 0.8})
Notice that we pass `alpha=0.8` to the plot functions to adjust the alpha
values of the curves.
.. rubric:: Examples
* :ref:`sphx_glr_auto_examples_miscellaneous_plot_roc_curve_visualization_api.py`
* :ref:`sphx_glr_auto_examples_miscellaneous_plot_partial_dependence_visualization_api.py`
* :ref:`sphx_glr_auto_examples_miscellaneous_plot_display_object_visualization.py`
* :ref:`sphx_glr_auto_examples_calibration_plot_compare_calibration.py`
Available Plotting Utilities
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Display Objects
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.. currentmodule:: sklearn
.. autosummary::
  calibration.CalibrationDisplay
   inspection.PartialDependenceDisplay
   inspection.DecisionBoundaryDisplay
  metrics.ConfusionMatrixDisplay
  metrics.DetCurveDisplay
  metrics.PrecisionRecallDisplay
  metrics.PredictionErrorDisplay
  metrics.RocCurveDisplay
   model selection.LearningCurveDisplay
   model selection. Validation Curve Display
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