



sklearn.model_selection.GridSearchCV

» `class sklearn.model_selection.GridSearchCV(estimator, param_grid, scoring=None, fit_params=None, n_jobs=1, iid=True, refit=True, cv=None, verbose=0, pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', error_score='raise', return_train_score='warn')` [\[source\]](#)

Exhaustive search over specified parameter values for an estimator.

Important members are fit, predict.

GridSearchCV implements a “fit” and a “score” method. It also implements “predict”, “predict_proba”, “decision_function”, “transform” and “inverse_transform” if they are implemented in the estimator used.

The parameters of the estimator used to apply these methods are optimized by cross-validated grid-search over a parameter grid.

Read more in the [User Guide](#).

Parameters: **estimator** : estimator object.

This is assumed to implement the scikit-learn estimator interface. Either estimator needs to provide a score function, or scoring must be passed.

param_grid : dict or list of dictionaries

Dictionary with parameters names (string) as keys and lists of parameter settings to try as values, or a list of such dictionaries, in which case the grids spanned by each dictionary in the list are explored. This enables searching over any sequence of parameter settings.

scoring : string, callable, list/tuple, dict or None, default: None

A single string (see [The scoring parameter: defining model evaluation rules](#)) or a callable (see [Defining your scoring strategy from metric functions](#)) to evaluate the predictions on the test set.

For evaluating multiple metrics, either give a list of (unique) strings or a dict with names as keys and callables as values.

NOTE that when using custom scorers, each scorer should return a single value. Metric functions returning a list/array of values can be wrapped into multiple scorers that return one value each.

See [Specifying multiple metrics for evaluation](#) for an example.

If None, the estimator’s default scorer (if available) is used.

fit_params : dict, optional

Parameters to pass to the fit method.

Deprecated since version 0.19: fit_params as a constructor argument was deprecated in version 0.19 and will be removed in version 0.21. Pass fit parameters to the fit method instead.

n_jobs : int, default=1

Number of jobs to run in parallel.

pre_dispatch : int, or string, optional

Controls the number of jobs that get dispatched during parallel execution. Reducing this number can be useful to avoid an explosion of memory consumption when more jobs get dispatched than CPUs can process. This parameter can be:

- None, in which case all the jobs are immediately created and spawned. Use this for lightweight and fast-running jobs, to avoid delays due to on-demand spawning of the jobs
- An int, giving the exact number of total jobs that are spawned
- A string, giving an expression as a function of n_jobs, as in ‘2*n_jobs’

iid : boolean, default=True

If True, the data is assumed to be identically distributed across the folds, and the loss minimized is the total loss per sample, and not the mean loss across the folds.

cv : int, cross-validation generator or an iterable, optional

Determines the cross-validation splitting strategy. Possible inputs for cv are:

- None, to use the default 3-fold cross validation,
- integer, to specify the number of folds in a (*Stratified*)*KFold*,
- An object to be used as a cross-validation generator.
- An iterable yielding train, test splits.

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For integer/None inputs, if the estimator is a classifier and y is either binary or multiclass, [StratifiedKFold](#) is used. In all other cases, [KFold](#) is used.

Refer [User Guide](#) for the various cross-validation strategies that can be used here.

refit : boolean, or string, default=True

Refit an estimator using the best found parameters on the whole dataset.

For multiple metric evaluation, this needs to be a string denoting the scorer is used to find the best parameters for refitting the estimator at the end.

The refitted estimator is made available at the `best_estimator_` attribute and permits using `predict` directly on this `GridSearchCV` instance.

Also for multiple metric evaluation, the attributes `best_index_`, `best_score_` and `best_parameters_` will only be available if `refit` is set and all of them will be determined w.r.t this specific scorer.

See `scoring` parameter to know more about multiple metric evaluation.

verbose : integer

Controls the verbosity: the higher, the more messages.

error_score : 'raise' (default) or numeric

Value to assign to the score if an error occurs in estimator fitting. If set to 'raise', the error is raised. If a numeric value is given, `FitFailedWarning` is raised. This parameter does not affect the refit step, which will always raise the error.

return_train_score : boolean, optional

If `False`, the `cv_results_` attribute will not include training scores.

Current default is 'warn', which behaves as `True` in addition to raising a warning when a training score is looked up. That default will be changed to `False` in 0.21. Computing training scores is used to get insights on how different parameter settings impact the overfitting/underfitting trade-off. However computing the scores on the training set can be computationally expensive and is not strictly required to select the parameters that yield the best generalization performance.

Attributes: **cv_results_** : dict of numpy (masked) ndarrays

A dict with keys as column headers and values as columns, that can be imported into a pandas `DataFrame`.

For instance the below given table

param_kernel	param_gamma	param_degree	split0_test_score	...	rank_t...
'poly'	—	2	0.8	...	2
'poly'	—	3	0.7	...	4
'rbf'	0.1	—	0.8	...	3
'rbf'	0.2	—	0.9	...	1

will be represented by a `cv_results_` dict of:

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{
  'param_kernel': masked_array(data = ['poly', 'poly', 'rbf', 'rbf'],
                                mask = [False False False False]...),
  'param_gamma': masked_array(data = [-- -- 0.1 0.2],
                                mask = [ True True False False]...),
  'param_degree': masked_array(data = [2.0 3.0 -- --],
                                mask = [False False True True]...),
  'split0_test_score' : [0.8, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9],
  'split1_test_score' : [0.82, 0.5, 0.7, 0.78],
  'mean_test_score'   : [0.81, 0.60, 0.75, 0.82],
  'std_test_score'    : [0.02, 0.01, 0.03, 0.03],
  'rank_test_score'   : [2, 4, 3, 1],
  'split0_train_score' : [0.8, 0.9, 0.7],
  'split1_train_score' : [0.82, 0.5, 0.7],
  'mean_train_score'   : [0.81, 0.7, 0.7],
  'std_train_score'    : [0.03, 0.03, 0.04],
  'mean_fit_time'     : [0.73, 0.63, 0.43, 0.49],
  'std_fit_time'      : [0.01, 0.02, 0.01, 0.01],
  'mean_score_time'   : [0.007, 0.06, 0.04, 0.04],
```

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'std_score_time' : [0.001, 0.002, 0.003, 0.005],
'params'         : [{'kernel': 'poly', 'degree': 2}, ...],
}
```

NOTE

The key 'params' is used to store a list of parameter settings dicts for all the parameter candidates.

The mean_fit_time, std_fit_time, mean_score_time and std_score_time are all in seconds.

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For multi-metric evaluation, the scores for all the scorers are available in the cv_results_dict at the keys ending with that scorer's name ('<scorer_name>') instead of '_score' shown above. ('split0_test_precision', 'mean_train_precision' etc.)

best_estimator_ : estimator or dict

Estimator that was chosen by the search, i.e. estimator which gave highest score (or smallest loss if specified) on the left out data. Not available if refit=False.

See refit parameter for more information on allowed values.

best_score_ : float

Mean cross-validated score of the best_estimator

For multi-metric evaluation, this is present only if refit is specified.

best_params_ : dict

Parameter setting that gave the best results on the hold out data.

For multi-metric evaluation, this is present only if refit is specified.

best_index_ : int

The index (of the cv_results_arrays) which corresponds to the best candidate parameter setting.

The dict at search.cv_results_['params'][search.best_index_] gives the parameter setting for the best model, that gives the highest mean score (search.best_score_).

For multi-metric evaluation, this is present only if refit is specified.

scorer_ : function or a dict

Scorer function used on the held out data to choose the best parameters for the model.

For multi-metric evaluation, this attribute holds the validated scoring dict which maps the scorer key to the scorer callable.

n_splits_ : int

The number of cross-validation splits (folds/iterations).

See also:

[ParameterGrid](#)

generates all the combinations of a hyperparameter grid.

[sklearn.model_selection.train_test_split](#)

utility function to split the data into a development set usable for fitting a GridSearchCV instance and an evaluation set for its final evaluation.

[sklearn.metrics.make_scorer](#)

Make a scorer from a performance metric or loss function.

Notes

The parameters selected are those that maximize the score of the left out data, unless an explicit score is passed in which case it is used instead.

If *n_jobs* was set to a value higher than one, the data is copied for each point in the grid (and not *n_jobs* times). This is done for efficiency reasons if individual jobs take very little time, but may raise errors if the dataset is large and not enough memory is available. A workaround in this case is to set *pre_dispatch*. Then, the memory is copied only *pre_dispatch* many times. A reasonable value for *pre_dispatch* is $2 * n_jobs$.

Examples

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>>> from sklearn import svm, datasets
>>> from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
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>>> iris = datasets.load_iris()
>>> parameters = {'kernel':('linear', 'rbf'), 'C':[1, 10]}
>>> svc = svm.SVC()
>>> clf = GridSearchCV(svc, parameters)
>>> clf.fit(iris.data, iris.target)
...
GridSearchCV(cv=None, error_score=...,
             estimator=SVC(C=1.0, cache_size=..., class_weight=..., coef0=...,
                           decision_function_shape='ovr', degree=..., gamma=...,
                           kernel='rbf', max_iter=-1, probability=False,
                           random_state=None, shrinking=True, tol=...,
                           verbose=False),
             fit_params=None, iid=..., n_jobs=1,
             param_grid=..., pre_dispatch=..., refit=..., return_train_score=...,
             scoring=..., verbose=...)
>>> sorted(clf.cv_results_.keys())
...
['mean_fit_time', 'mean_score_time', 'mean_test_score',...
 'mean_train_score', 'param_C', 'param_kernel', 'params',...
 'rank_test_score', 'split0_test_score',...
 'split0_train_score', 'split1_test_score', 'split1_train_score',...
 'split2_test_score', 'split2_train_score',...
 'std_fit_time', 'std_score_time', 'std_test_score', 'std_train_score'...]

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Methods

<code>decision_function(X)</code>	Call <code>decision_function</code> on the estimator with the best found parameters.
<code>fit(X[, y, groups])</code>	Run fit with all sets of parameters.
<code>get_params([deep])</code>	Get parameters for this estimator.
<code>inverse_transform(Xt)</code>	Call <code>inverse_transform</code> on the estimator with the best found params.
<code>predict(X)</code>	Call <code>predict</code> on the estimator with the best found parameters.
<code>predict_log_proba(X)</code>	Call <code>predict_log_proba</code> on the estimator with the best found parameters.
<code>predict_proba(X)</code>	Call <code>predict_proba</code> on the estimator with the best found parameters.
<code>score(X[, y])</code>	Returns the score on the given data, if the estimator has been refit.
<code>set_params(**params)</code>	Set the parameters of this estimator.
<code>transform(X)</code>	Call <code>transform</code> on the estimator with the best found parameters.

`__init__(estimator, param_grid, scoring=None, fit_params=None, n_jobs=1, iid=True, refit=True, cv=None, verbose=0, pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', error_score='raise', return_train_score='warn')`

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`decision_function(X)`

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Call `decision_function` on the estimator with the best found parameters.

Only available if `refit=True` and the underlying estimator supports `decision_function`.

Parameters: **X** : indexable, length `n_samples`

Must fulfill the input assumptions of the underlying estimator.

`fit(X, y=None, groups=None, **fit_params)`

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Run fit with all sets of parameters.

Parameters: **X** : array-like, shape = `[n_samples, n_features]`

Training vector, where `n_samples` is the number of samples and `n_features` is the number of features.

y : array-like, shape = `[n_samples]` or `[n_samples, n_output]`, optional

Target relative to **X** for classification or regression; None for unsupervised learning.

groups : array-like, with shape `(n_samples,)`, optional

Group labels for the samples used while splitting the dataset into train/test set.

****fit_params** : dict of string -> object

Parameters passed to the `fit` method of the estimator

`get_params(deep=True)`

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Get parameters for this estimator.

Parameters: **deep** : boolean, optional

If True, will return the parameters for this estimator and contained subobjects that are estimators.

Returns: **params** : mapping of string to any

Parameter names mapped to their values.

`inverse_transform(Xt)`

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Call `inverse_transform` on the estimator with the best found params.

Only available if the underlying estimator implements `inverse_transform` and `refit=True`.

Parameters: **Xt** : indexable, length `n_samples`

Must fulfill the input assumptions of the underlying estimator.

`predict(X)`

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Call `predict` on the estimator with the best found parameters.

Only available if `refit=True` and the underlying estimator supports `predict`.

Parameters: **X** : indexable, length `n_samples`

Must fulfill the input assumptions of the underlying estimator.

`predict_log_proba(X)`

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Call `predict_log_proba` on the estimator with the best found parameters.

Only available if `refit=True` and the underlying estimator supports `predict_log_proba`.

Parameters: **X** : indexable, length `n_samples`

Must fulfill the input assumptions of the underlying estimator.

`predict_proba(X)`

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Call `predict_proba` on the estimator with the best found parameters.

Only available if `refit=True` and the underlying estimator supports `predict_proba`.

Parameters: **X** : indexable, length `n_samples`

Must fulfill the input assumptions of the underlying estimator.

`score(X, y=None)`

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Returns the score on the given data, if the estimator has been refit.

This uses the score defined by `scoring` where provided, and the `best_estimator_.score` method otherwise.

Parameters: **X** : array-like, shape = `[n_samples, n_features]`

Input data, where `n_samples` is the number of samples and `n_features` is the number of features.

y : array-like, shape = `[n_samples]` or `[n_samples, n_output]`, optional

Target relative to X for classification or regression; None for unsupervised learning.

Returns: **score** : float

`set_params(**params)`

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Set the parameters of this estimator.

The method works on simple estimators as well as on nested objects (such as pipelines). The latter have parameters of the form `<component>__<parameter>` so that it's possible to update each component of a nested object.

Returns: `self` :

transform(X)

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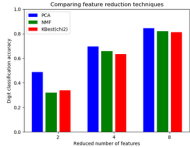
Call transform on the estimator with the best found parameters.

Only available if the underlying estimator supports transform and refit=True.

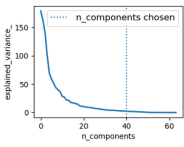
Parameters: `X` : indexable, length n_samples

Must fulfill the input assumptions of the underlying estimator.


Examples using sklearn.model_selection.GridSearchCV



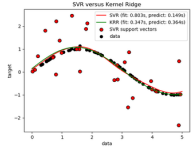
Selecting dimensionality reduction with Pipeline and GridSearchCV




Pipelining: chaining a PCA and a logistic regression



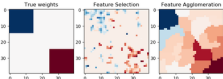
Concatenating multiple feature extraction methods



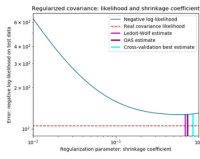
Comparison of kernel ridge regression and SVR



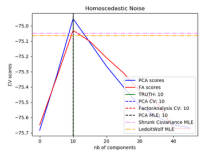
Faces recognition example using eigenfaces and SVMs



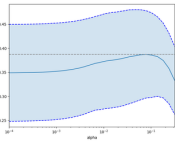
Feature agglomeration vs. univariate selection



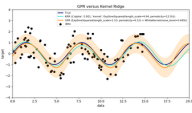
Shrinkage covariance estimation: LedoitWolf vs OAS and max-likelihood




Model selection with Probabilistic PCA and Factor Analysis (FA)




Cross-validation on diabetes Dataset Exercise



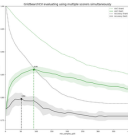
Comparison of kernel ridge and Gaussian process regression



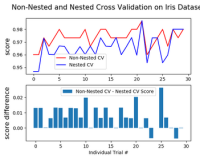
Sample pipeline for text feature extraction and evaluation




Parameter estimation using grid search with cross-validation



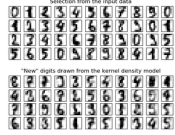
Demonstration of multi-metric evaluation on cross_val_score and GridSearchCV



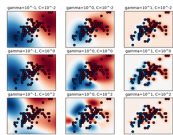
Nested versus non-nested cross-validation



Comparing randomized search and grid search for hyperparameter estimation

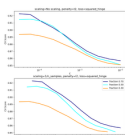


Kernel Density Estimation



RBF SVM parameters

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Scaling the regularization parameter for SVCs