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## sklearn.neighbors.KNeighborsClassifier

» `class sklearn.neighbors.KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=5, weights='uniform', algorithm='auto', leaf_size=30, p=2, metric='minkowski', metric_params=None, n_jobs=1, **kwargs)` [\[source\]](#)

Classifier implementing the k-nearest neighbors vote.

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

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**Parameters:** **n\_neighbors** : int, optional (default = 5)

Number of neighbors to use by default for [kneighbors](#) queries.

**weights** : str or callable, optional (default = 'uniform')

weight function used in prediction. Possible values:

- 'uniform' : uniform weights. All points in each neighborhood are weighted equally.
- 'distance' : weight points by the inverse of their distance. in this case, closer neighbors of a query point will have a greater influence than neighbors which are further away.
- [callable] : a user-defined function which accepts an array of distances, and returns an array of the same shape containing the weights.

**algorithm** : {'auto', 'ball\_tree', 'kd\_tree', 'brute'}, optional

Algorithm used to compute the nearest neighbors:

- 'ball\_tree' will use [BallTree](#)
- 'kd\_tree' will use [KDTree](#)
- 'brute' will use a brute-force search.
- 'auto' will attempt to decide the most appropriate algorithm based on the values passed to [fit](#) method.

Note: fitting on sparse input will override the setting of this parameter, using brute force.

**leaf\_size** : int, optional (default = 30)

Leaf size passed to BallTree or KDTree. This can affect the speed of the construction and query, as well as the memory required to store the tree. The optimal value depends on the nature of the problem.

**p** : integer, optional (default = 2)

Power parameter for the Minkowski metric. When  $p = 1$ , this is equivalent to using `manhattan_distance (l1)`, and `euclidean_distance (l2)` for  $p = 2$ . For arbitrary  $p$ , `minkowski_distance (l_p)` is used.

**metric** : string or callable, default 'minkowski'

the distance metric to use for the tree. The default metric is `minkowski`, and with  $p=2$  is equivalent to the standard Euclidean metric. See the documentation of the `DistanceMetric` class for a list of available metrics.

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**metric\_params** : dict, optional (default = None)

Additional keyword arguments for the metric function.

**n\_jobs** : int, optional (default = 1)

The number of parallel jobs to run for neighbors search. If -1, then the number of jobs is set to the number of CPU cores. Doesn't affect `fit` method.

**See also:** [RadiusNeighborsClassifier](#), [KNeighborsRegressor](#), [RadiusNeighborsRegressor](#), [NearestNeighbors](#)

## Notes

See [Nearest Neighbors](#) in the online documentation for a discussion of the choice of algorithm and `leaf_size`.

**Warning:** Regarding the Nearest Neighbors algorithms, if it is found that two neighbors, neighbor  $k+1$  and  $k$ , have identical distances but different labels, the results will depend on the ordering of the training data.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-nearest\\_neighbor\\_algorithm](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-nearest_neighbor_algorithm)

## Examples

```
>>> X = [[0], [1], [2], [3]]
>>> y = [0, 0, 1, 1]
>>> from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
>>> neigh = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=3)
>>> neigh.fit(X, y)
KNeighborsClassifier(...)
>>> print(neigh.predict([[1.1]]))
[0]
>>> print(neigh.predict_proba([[0.9]]))
[[ 0.66666667  0.33333333]]
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## Methods

<code>fit(X, y)</code>	Fit the model using X as training data and y as target values
<code>get_params([deep])</code>	Get parameters for this estimator.
<code>kneighbors([X, n_neighbors, return_distance])</code>	Finds the K-neighbors of a point.
<code>kneighbors_graph([X, n_neighbors, mode])</code>	Computes the (weighted) graph of k-Neighbors for

points in X

<code>predict(X)</code>	Predict the class labels for the provided data
<code>predict_proba(X)</code>	Return probability estimates for the test data X.
<code>score(X, y[, sample_weight])</code>	Returns the mean accuracy on the given test data and labels.
<code>set_params(**params)</code>	Set the parameters of this estimator.

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__init__(n_neighbors=5, weights='uniform', algorithm='auto', leaf_size=30, p=2,
metric='minkowski', metric_params=None, n_jobs=1, **kwargs)
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[\[source\]](#)`fit(X, y)`[\[source\]](#)

Fit the model using X as training data and y as target values

**Parameters:** **X** : {array-like, sparse matrix, BallTree, KDTree}

Training data. If array or matrix, shape [n\_samples, n\_features], or [n\_samples, n\_samples] if metric='precomputed'.

**y** : {array-like, sparse matrix}

Target values of shape = [n\_samples] or [n\_samples, n\_outputs]

`get_params(deep=True)`[\[source\]](#)

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.

`kneighbors(X=None, n_neighbors=None, return_distance=True)`[\[source\]](#)

Finds the K-neighbors of a point.

Returns indices of and distances to the neighbors of each point.

**Parameters:** **X** : array-like, shape (n\_query, n\_features), or (n\_query, n\_indexed) if metric == 'precomputed'

The query point or points. If not provided, neighbors of each indexed point are returned. In this case, the query point is not

considered its own neighbor.

**n\_neighbors** : int

Number of neighbors to get (default is the value passed to the constructor).

**return\_distance** : boolean, optional. Defaults to True.

If False, distances will not be returned

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**Returns:** **dist** : array

Array representing the lengths to points, only present if return\_distance=True

**ind** : array

Indices of the nearest points in the population matrix.

## Examples

In the following example, we construct a NeighborsClassifier class from an array representing our data set and ask who's the closest point to [1,1,1]

```
>>> samples = [[0., 0., 0.], [0., .5, 0.], [1., 1., .5]]
>>> from sklearn.neighbors import NearestNeighbors
>>> neigh = NearestNeighbors(n_neighbors=1)
>>> neigh.fit(samples)
NearestNeighbors(algorithm='auto', leaf_size=30, ...)
>>> print(neigh.kneighbors([[1., 1., 1.]])
(array([[ 0.5]]), array([[2]]...))
```

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As you can see, it returns [[0.5]], and [[2]], which means that the element is at distance 0.5 and is the third element of samples (indexes start at 0). You can also query for multiple points:

```
>>> X = [[0., 1., 0.], [1., 0., 1.]]
>>> neigh.kneighbors(X, return_distance=False)
array([[1],
       [2]]...)
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**kneighbors\_graph**(X=None, n\_neighbors=None, mode='connectivity')

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Computes the (weighted) graph of k-Neighbors for points in X

**Parameters:** **X** : array-like, shape (n\_query, n\_features), or (n\_query, n\_indexed) if metric == 'precomputed'

The query point or points. If not provided, neighbors of each indexed point are returned. In this case, the query point is not considered its own neighbor.

**n\_neighbors** : int

Number of neighbors for each sample. (default is value passed to the constructor).

**mode** : {'connectivity', 'distance'}, optional

Type of returned matrix: 'connectivity' will return the connectivity matrix with ones and zeros, in 'distance' the edges are Euclidean distance between points.

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**Returns:** **A** : sparse matrix in CSR format, shape = [n\_samples, n\_samples\_fit]

n\_samples\_fit is the number of samples in the fitted data A[i, j] is assigned the weight of edge that connects i to j.

**See also:** [NearestNeighbors.radius\\_neighbors\\_graph](#)

## Examples

```
>>> X = [[0], [3], [1]]
>>> from sklearn.neighbors import NearestNeighbors
>>> neigh = NearestNeighbors(n_neighbors=2)
>>> neigh.fit(X)
NearestNeighbors(algorithm='auto', leaf_size=30, ...)
>>> A = neigh.kneighbors_graph(X)
>>> A.toarray()
array([[ 1.,  0.,  1.],
       [ 0.,  1.,  1.],
       [ 1.,  0.,  1.]])
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**predict(X)**

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Predict the class labels for the provided data

**Parameters:** **X** : array-like, shape (n\_query, n\_features), or (n\_query, n\_indexed) if metric == 'precomputed'

Test samples.

**Returns:** **y** : array of shape [n\_samples] or [n\_samples, n\_outputs]

Class labels for each data sample.

**predict\_proba(X)**

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Return probability estimates for the test data X.

**Parameters:** **X** : array-like, shape (n\_query, n\_features), or (n\_query, n\_indexed) if metric == 'precomputed'

Test samples.

**Returns:** **p** : array of shape = [n\_samples, n\_classes], or a list of n\_outputs

of such arrays if `n_outputs > 1`. The class probabilities of the input samples. Classes are ordered by lexicographic order.

`score(X, y, sample_weight=None)`

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Returns the mean accuracy on the given test data and labels.

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In multi-label classification, this is the subset accuracy which is a harsh metric since you require for each sample that each label set be correctly predicted.

**Parameters:** **X** : array-like, shape = (n\_samples, n\_features)

Test samples.

**y** : array-like, shape = (n\_samples) or (n\_samples, n\_outputs)

True labels for X.

**sample\_weight** : array-like, shape = [n\_samples], optional

Sample weights.

**Returns:** **score** : float

Mean accuracy of `self.predict(X)` wrt. `y`.

`set_params(**params)`

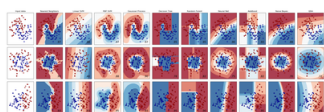
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Set the parameters of this estimator.

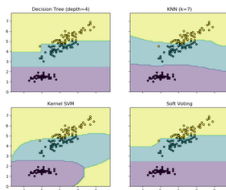
The method works on simple estimators as well as on nested objects (such as pipelines). The latter have parameters of the form `<component>__<parameter>` so that it's possible to update each component of a nested object.

**Returns:** **self** :

## Examples using `sklearn.neighbors.KNeighborsClassifier`



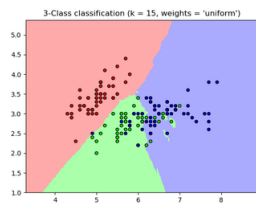
Classifier comparison



Plot the decision boundaries of a VotingClassifier



Digits Classification Exercise



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Nearest Neighbors  
Classification

Classification of text  
documents using sparse  
features

