What is Scikit-Learn?

Scikit-learn is a machine learning library for Python. It provides:

- ✓ Data Preprocessing → Handling missing values, scaling, encoding
- ✓ Machine Learning Models → Regression, Classification, Clustering
- ✓ Model Evaluation → Accuracy, Precision, Recall
- Feature Engineering → Selecting important features
- ✓ Pipelines & Automation → Make ML workflows efficient

1. Install & Import Scikit-Learn

If you haven't installed it yet, run:

```
pip install scikit-learn
```

Now import the essential modules:

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, LabelEncoder
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy score, mean squared error
```

2. Load and Prepare Data

Let's use a simple dataset:

```
from sklearn.datasets import load_diabetes

# Load dataset

data = load_diabetes()

df = pd.DataFrame(data.data, columns=data.feature_names)

df['target'] = data.target  # Add target column

print(df.head())
```

Diabetes dataset has medical records of patients

3. Data Preprocessing

Before training an ML model, data must be cleaned & scaled.

✓ Handle Missing Values

```
df.fillna(df.mean(), inplace=True) # Replace NaN with mean
```

Fills missing values with the mean

Feature Scaling

```
scaler = StandardScaler()

df scaled = pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit transform(df), columns=df.columns)
```

- Standardizes the dataset for better performance
- Convert Categorical Data

```
encoder = LabelEncoder()

df["target"] = encoder.fit transform(df["target"])
```

Encodes categorical values into numbers

6 4. Train-Test Split

Divide the dataset into training (80%) and testing (20%):

```
X = df.drop(columns=["target"])  # Features
y = df["target"]  # Target variable

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
print(X_train.shape, X_test.shape)  # Check sizes
```

- Ensures model doesn't overfit by testing on unseen data
- 5. Train a Machine Learning Model

Let's train a Linear Regression Model:

```
model = LinearRegression()
model.fit(X_train, y_train) # Train the model

y_pred = model.predict(X_test) # Make predictions
```

Finds the best-fit line for regression problems

6. Evaluate Model Performance

Check how well the model performs:

```
mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred)
print(f"Mean Squared Error: {mse}")
```

Lower MSE = Better model performance

7. Classification with Scikit-Learn

Classification is used when the output is categorical (e.g., Spam/Not Spam, Pass/Fail).

```
We'll use the Iris dataset 📊
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```
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris

# Load dataset

data = load_iris()

df = pd.DataFrame(data.data, columns=data.feature_names)

df["target"] = data.target  # Add target column

print(df.head())  # Check dataset
```

Iris dataset has 3 flower species (Setosa, Versicolor, Virginica)

8. Train-Test Split for Classification

```
X = df.drop(columns=["target"]) # Features
y = df["target"] # Target (0, 1, 2 for each species)
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
print(X_train.shape, X_test.shape) # Check sizes
```

▼ 80% Training, 20% Testing

9. Train a Classification Model (Decision Tree)

```
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
# Initialize & Train
model = DecisionTreeClassifier()
model.fit(X_train, y_train)
# Predict
y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
```

Decision Tree finds patterns to classify species

10. Evaluate Model Performance

```
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, classification_report
acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(f"Accuracy: {acc}")
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
```

- ✓ Accuracy → Measures how many predictions were correct
- Classification Report → Shows precision, recall, F1-score

11. Try a Different Model (Support Vector Machine - SVM)

```
from sklearn.svm import SVC

model = SVC()  # Support Vector Classifier

model.fit(X_train, y_train)

y_pred = model.predict(X_test)

print(f"Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)}")
```

SVM works well for complex patterns

12. Clustering with Scikit-Learn

Clustering is unsupervised learning, meaning we don't have labeled data. It groups similar data points together.

13. K-Means Clustering (Customer Segmentation Example)

```
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
# Generate synthetic data
from sklearn.datasets import make blobs
X, = make blobs(n samples=300, centers=3, cluster std=1.0, random state=42)
# Apply K-Means
kmeans = KMeans(n clusters=3, random state=42)
kmeans.fit(X)
labels = kmeans.labels
# Plot the clusters
plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=labels, cmap="viridis")
plt.scatter(kmeans.cluster centers [:, 0], kmeans.cluster centers [:, 1],
c="red", marker="X", s=200, label="Centers")
plt.legend()
plt.title("K-Means Clustering")
plt.show()
```

- Automatically groups data into 3 clusters
- Red 'X' marks are cluster centers

14. DBSCAN (Density-Based Clustering)

Unlike K-Means, **DBSCAN** finds clusters based on density, good for non-spherical clusters.

```
from sklearn.cluster import DBSCAN
# Apply DBSCAN
```

```
dbscan = DBSCAN(eps=0.5, min_samples=5)
labels = dbscan.fit_predict(X)

# Plot Clusters
plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=labels, cmap="rainbow")
plt.title("DBSCAN Clustering")
plt.show()
```

Can detect noise points (outliers)

15. Hierarchical Clustering (Dendrogram Example)

```
from scipy.cluster.hierarchy import dendrogram, linkage
# Compute linkage
linked = linkage(X, method="ward")
# Plot Dendrogram
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
dendrogram(linked)
plt.title("Hierarchical Clustering Dendrogram")
plt.show()
```

Dendrogram shows how clusters merge

16. Model Selection (Choosing the Best Model Automatically)

Different models perform differently depending on the dataset. **Scikit-Learn's GridSearchCV** and **RandomizedSearchCV** help find the best model and parameters.

GridSearchCV (Exhaustive Search for Best Parameters)

```
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
# Define parameter grid
param_grid = {
    "n_estimators": [10, 50, 100],
    "max_depth": [None, 5, 10],
    "min_samples_split": [2, 5, 10],
}
# Initialize classifier
model = RandomForestClassifier()
# Apply GridSearch
grid search = GridSearchCV(model, param grid, cv=5, scoring="accuracy")
```

```
grid_search.fit(X_train, y_train)
print(f"Best Parameters: {grid_search.best_params_}")
print(f"Best Score: {grid_search.best_score_}")
```

✓ Finds the best combination of hyperparameters

17. Pipelines (Automating the ML Workflow)

Instead of writing separate steps for preprocessing, training, and prediction, we can use Pipelines.

Example: Automate a Classification Task

```
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.svm import SVC

# Create a pipeline
pipeline = Pipeline([
          ("scaler", StandardScaler()), # Normalize Data
                ("svm", SVC(kernel="linear")) # Train SVM Model
])

# Train & Predict
pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = pipeline.predict(X_test)
# Evaluate
print(f"Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)}")
```

Automates Scaling + Model Training in one step

18. Cross-Validation (Avoid Overfitting)

Instead of training & testing only once, cross-validation ensures the model performs well on different data splits.

```
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score

# Apply cross-validation

scores = cross_val_score(RandomForestClassifier(), X, y, cv=5,
scoring="accuracy")

print(f"Cross-Validation Accuracy: {scores.mean():.2f}")
```

Reduces the risk of overfitting