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sklearn.preprocessing.OneHotEncoder

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```
class  
sklearn.preprocessing.OneHotEncoder(n_values='auto',  
categorical_features='all', dtype=<class 'numpy.float64'>,  
sparse=True, handle_unknown='error')
```

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Encode categorical integer features using a one-hot aka one-of-K scheme.

The input to this transformer should be a matrix of integers, denoting the values taken on by categorical (discrete) features. The output will be a sparse matrix where each column corresponds to one possible value of one feature. It is assumed that input features take on values in the range [0, *n_values*).

This encoding is needed for feeding categorical data to many scikit-learn estimators, notably linear models and SVMs with the standard kernels.

Note: a one-hot encoding of y labels should use a `LabelBinarizer` instead.

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

Parameters: `n_values` : 'auto', int or array of ints

Number of values per feature.

- 'auto' : determine value range from training data.
- int : *number of categorical values per feature*.

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Each feature value should
be in `range(n_values)`

- array : *`n_values[i]` is the
number of categorical values in*

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*`X[:, i]`. Each feature value
should be in
`range(n_values[i])`*

categorical_features : “all” or array of indices
or mask

Specify what features are treated
as categorical.

- ‘all’ (default): All features are
treated as categorical.
- array of indices: Array of
categorical feature indices.
- mask: Array of length
`n_features` and with `dtype=bool`.

Non-categorical features are
always stacked to the right of the
matrix.

dtype : number type, default=`np.float`

Desired dtype of output.

sparse : boolean, default=`True`

Will return sparse matrix if set
`True` else will return an array.

handle_unknown : str, ‘error’ or ‘ignore’

Whether to raise an error or ignore
if a unknown categorical feature is
present during transform.

Attributes: **active_features_** : array

Indices for active features,

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meaning values that actually occur in the training set. Only available when `n_values` is 'auto'.

« **feature_indices_** : array of shape (n_features,)

Indices to feature ranges. Feature `i` in the original data is mapped to features from `feature_indices_[i]` to `feature_indices_[i+1]` (and then potentially masked by `active_features_` afterwards)

n_values_ : array of shape (n_features,)

Maximum number of values per feature.

See also:

[sklearn.feature_extraction.DictVectorizer](#)

performs a one-hot encoding of dictionary items (also handles string-valued features).

[sklearn.feature_extraction.FeatureHasher](#)

performs an approximate one-hot encoding of dictionary items or strings.

[sklearn.preprocessing.LabelBinarizer](#)

binarizes labels in a one-vs-all fashion.

[sklearn.preprocessing.MultiLabelBinarizer](#)

transforms between iterable of iterables and a multilabel format, e.g. a (samples x classes) binary matrix indicating the presence of a class label.

[sklearn.preprocessing.LabelEncoder](#)

encodes labels with values between 0 and `n_classes-1`.

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Given a dataset with three features and four samples, we let the

encoder find the maximum value per feature and transform the data to a binary one-hot encoding.

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<< >>> from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder >>>
>>> enc = OneHotEncoder()
>>> enc.fit([[0, 0, 3], [1, 1, 0], [0, 2, 1], [1, 0, 2]])
OneHotEncoder(categorical_features='all', dtype=<... 'numpy.f
            handle_unknown='error', n_values='auto', sparse=True)
>>> enc.n_values_
array([2, 3, 4])
>>> enc.feature_indices_
array([0, 2, 5, 9])
>>> enc.transform([[0, 1, 1]]).toarray()
array([[ 1.,  0.,  0.,  1.,  0.,  0.,  1.,  0.,  0.]])
```

Methods

<code>fit(X[, y])</code>	Fit OneHotEncoder to X.
<code>fit_transform(X[, y])</code>	Fit OneHotEncoder to X, then transform X.
<code>get_params([deep])</code>	Get parameters for this estimator.
<code>set_params(**params)</code>	Set the parameters of this estimator.
<code>transform(X)</code>	Transform X using one-hot encoding.

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__init__(n_values='auto', categorical_features='all', dtype=
<class 'numpy.float64'>, sparse=True,
handle_unknown='error') \[source\]
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fit(X, y=None) \[source\]
```

Fit OneHotEncoder to X.

Parameters: **X** : array-like, shape [n_samples, n_feature]

Input array of type int.

Returns: **self** :

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fit_transform(X, y=None) \[source\]
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Fit OneHotEncoder to X, then transform X.

Equivalent to `self.fit(X).transform(X)`, but more convenient and more efficient. See `fit` for the parameters, `transform` for the return value.

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Parameters: **X** : array-like, shape [n_samples, n_feature]

Input array of type int.

`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.

`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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Transform X using one-hot encoding.

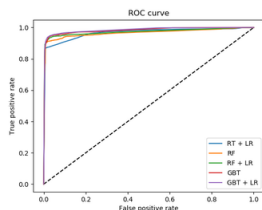
Parameters: **X** : array-like, shape [n_samples,
n_features]

Input array of type int.

Returns: **X_out** : sparse matrix if sparse=True else
a 2-d array, dtype=int

Transformed input.

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