

# How do you calculate the F1 score in Python, and could you provide an example?

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The F1 score is a commonly used metric for evaluating the performance of a machine learning model. It combines precision and recall into a single score, providing a balanced measure of a model's accuracy. In Python, the F1 score can be calculated using the sklearn library's `f1_score` function, which takes in the model's predicted values and the actual values as parameters. An example of calculating the F1 score in Python would be:

```
from sklearn.metrics import f1_score
```

```
predicted =
```

```
actual =
```

```
f1 = f1_score(actual, predicted)
```

```
print(f1) # Output: 0.5
```

In this example, the F1 score is 0.5, indicating that the model's precision and recall are both equally important in evaluating its performance. Overall, the F1 score is a useful tool for assessing the effectiveness of a model and can be easily calculated in Python using the `f1_score` function.

## Calculate F1 Score in Python (Including Example)

**When using in machine learning, a common metric that we use to assess the quality of the model is the F1 Score.**

**This metric is calculated as:**

**$F1 \text{ Score} = 2 * (\text{Precision} * \text{Recall}) / (\text{Precision} + \text{Recall})$**

**where:**

**Precision: Correct positive predictions relative to total positive predictions**  
**Recall: Correct positive predictions**

## relative to total actual positives

For example, suppose we use a logistic regression model to predict whether or not 400 different college basketball players get drafted into the NBA.

The following confusion matrix summarizes the predictions made by the model:

		Predicted	
		Drafted = Yes	Drafted = No
Actual	Drafted = Yes	120 (True Positive)	40 (False Negative)
	Drafted = No	70 (False positive)	170 (True Negative)

Here is how to calculate the F1 score of the model:

**Precision = True Positive / (True Positive + False Positive) =  $120 / (120 + 70) = .63157$**

**Recall = True Positive / (True Positive + False Negative) =  $120 / (120 + 40) = .75$**

**F1 Score =  $2 * (.63157 * .75) / (.63157 + .75) = .6857$**

The following example shows how to calculate the F1

## score for this exact model in Python.

Example: Calculating F1 Score in Python

The following code shows how to use the `f1_score()` function from the `sklearn` package in Python to calculate the F1 score for a given array of predicted values and actual values.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.metrics import f1_score

#define array of actual classes
actual = np.repeat(, repeats=)

#define array of predicted classes
pred = np.repeat(, repeats=)

#calculate F1 score
f1_score(actual, pred)

0.6857142857142857
```

We can see that the F1 score is 0.6857. This matches the value that we calculated earlier by hand.

## Notes on Using F1 Scores

**If you use F1 score to compare several models, the model with the highest F1 score represents the model that is best able to classify observations into classes.**

**For example, if you fit another logistic regression model to the data and that model has an F1 score of 0.75, that model would be considered better since it has a higher F1 score.**

## How to Calculate Balanced Accuracy in Python