

Assignment-1

Course: Advance Pattern Recognition

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Binary Classification using SVM (Support Vector Machine)

Task: Binary classification using **SVM** on the **Breast Cancer Wisconsin dataset** loaded from Hugging Face (`scikit-learn/breast-cancer-wisconsin`).

Goal: Implement SVM with multiple kernels (`linear` , `poly` , `rbf` , `sigmoid`), evaluate test accuracy, and pick the best kernel.

Report confusion matrix, precision, recall, and classification metrics.

Perform **hyperparameter tuning** using GridSearchCV.

Bonus: 2D decision boundary visualization using PCA.

Dataset Description (Breast Cancer Wisconsin Diagnostic Dataset)

The dataset comes from digitized images of fine needle aspirates (FNA) of breast masses. Each row in the CSV corresponds to one patient's tumor sample.

Target (Dependent Variable / Class Label)

- **Diagnosis:**
 - **M** → Malignant (cancerous)
 - **B** → Benign (non-cancerous)

This is a **binary classification problem (M vs B)**.

Why SVM was chosen:

- SVM is highly effective for **binary classification problems**.
- It works well in **high-dimensional feature spaces** (here 30 numeric features).
- Can handle **linearly and non-linearly separable data** via kernel trick.
- Robust to **overfitting**, especially with proper regularization (`C`) and kernel selection.

Conditions for choosing SVM:

- The problem is **binary classification**.
- Features are **numeric and standardized**, suitable for distance-based hyperplanes.
- Can utilize different **kernel functions** (linear, polynomial, RBF, sigmoid) depending on data separability.
- Good for **small to medium datasets** with clear margins between classes.

Types of SVM:

1. **Linear SVM:** Separates classes using a straight hyperplane.
2. **Polynomial SVM:** Uses polynomial kernels for curved decision boundaries.
3. **RBF (Radial Basis Function) SVM:** Captures non-linear patterns with Gaussian kernel.
4. **Sigmoid SVM:** Uses sigmoid kernel; sometimes behaves like a neural network.

Note: Choice of kernel depends on data structure; model evaluation and cross-validation help select the best performing kernel.

1. Setup and imports

```
# imports and basic setup
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import pickle, os
from datasets import load_dataset
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.svm import SVC
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, precision_score, recall_score, accuracy_score, classification_report
import math
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
np.random.seed(42)
```

2. Load dataset & quick exploration

Explain what the dataset columns are, shape, classes distribution.

```
# load dataset
ds = load_dataset("scikit-learn/breast-cancer-wisconsin")
df = ds['train'].to_pandas()
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
```

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breast_cancer.csv: 125k/? [00:00<00:00, 1.29MB/s]
Generating train split: 100% 569/569 [00:00<00:00, 4627.01 examples/s]

```
print("Dataset shape:", df.shape)
df.columns = df.columns.str.strip().str.replace(' ', '_').str.replace('-', '_') # normalize names
display(df.head())
```

Dataset shape: (569, 33)

	id	diagnosis	radius_mean	texture_mean	perimeter_mean	area_mean	smoothness_mean	compactness_mean	concavity_mean	concave_points_mean	symmetry_mean	fract
0	842302	M	17.99	10.38	122.80	1001.0	0.11840	0.27760	0.3001	0.14710	0.2419	
1	842517	M	20.57	17.77	132.90	1326.0	0.08474	0.07864	0.0869	0.07017	0.1812	
2	84300903	M	19.69	21.25	130.00	1203.0	0.10960	0.15990	0.1974	0.12790	0.2069	
3	84348301	M	11.42	20.38	77.58	386.1	0.14250	0.28390	0.2414	0.10520	0.2597	
4	84358402	M	20.29	14.34	135.10	1297.0	0.10030	0.13280	0.1980	0.10430	0.1809	

```
#column names
df.columns
```

```
Index(['id', 'diagnosis', 'radius_mean', 'texture_mean', 'perimeter_mean',
       'area_mean', 'smoothness_mean', 'compactness_mean', 'concavity_mean',
       'concave_points_mean', 'symmetry_mean', 'fractal_dimension_mean',
       'radius_se', 'texture_se', 'perimeter_se', 'area_se', 'smoothness_se',
       'compactness_se', 'concavity_se', 'concave_points_se', 'symmetry_se',
       'fractal_dimension_se', 'radius_worst', 'texture_worst',
       'perimeter_worst', 'area_worst', 'smoothness_worst',
       'compactness_worst', 'concavity_worst', 'concave_points_worst',
       'symmetry_worst', 'fractal_dimension_worst', 'Unnamed: _32'],
      dtype='object')
```

```
# Drop non-feature / irrelevant columns
df.drop(columns=['id', 'Unnamed: _32'], inplace=True)
print("Dataset shape:", df.shape)
```

Dataset shape: (569, 31)

```
# Basic info about dataset
print("\nDataset Info:")
df.info()
```

```
Dataset Info:
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 569 entries, 0 to 568
Data columns (total 31 columns):
#   Column                                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   diagnosis                             569 non-null    object
1   radius_mean                           569 non-null    float64
2   texture_mean                           569 non-null    float64
3   perimeter_mean                         569 non-null    float64
4   area_mean                             569 non-null    float64
5   smoothness_mean                       569 non-null    float64
6   compactness_mean                       569 non-null    float64
7   concavity_mean                         569 non-null    float64
8   concave_points_mean                   569 non-null    float64
9   symmetry_mean                          569 non-null    float64
10  fractal_dimension_mean                 569 non-null    float64
11  radius_se                              569 non-null    float64
12  texture_se                             569 non-null    float64
13  perimeter_se                           569 non-null    float64
14  area_se                                569 non-null    float64
15  smoothness_se                          569 non-null    float64
16  compactness_se                         569 non-null    float64
17  concavity_se                           569 non-null    float64
18  concave_points_se                      569 non-null    float64
19  symmetry_se                            569 non-null    float64
20  fractal_dimension_se                   569 non-null    float64
21  radius_worst                           569 non-null    float64
22  texture_worst                          569 non-null    float64
23  perimeter_worst                        569 non-null    float64
24  area_worst                             569 non-null    float64
25  smoothness_worst                       569 non-null    float64
26  compactness_worst                      569 non-null    float64
27  concavity_worst                        569 non-null    float64
28  concave_points_worst                   569 non-null    float64
29  symmetry_worst                         569 non-null    float64
30  fractal_dimension_worst                 569 non-null    float64
dtypes: float64(30), object(1)
memory usage: 137.9+ KB
```

```
# Check duplicates
print("\nNumber of duplicated rows:", df.duplicated().sum())
df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
print("Shape after dropping duplicates:", df.shape)
```

Number of duplicated rows: 0
Shape after dropping duplicates: (569, 31)

```
# Summary for all columns (categorical + numeric)
print("\nSummary statistics (all features):")
display(df.describe(include='all'))
```

Summary statistics (all features):

	diagnosis	radius_mean	texture_mean	perimeter_mean	area_mean	smoothness_mean	compactness_mean	concavity_mean	concave_points_mean	symmetry_mean	fractal_dimension
count	569	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000	569.000000
unique	2	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
top	B	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
freq	357	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
mean	NaN	14.127292	19.289649	91.969033	654.889104	0.096360	0.104341	0.088799	0.048919	0.181162	0.266319
std	NaN	3.524049	4.301036	24.298981	351.914129	0.014064	0.052813	0.079720	0.038803	0.027414	0.042411
min	NaN	6.981000	9.710000	43.790000	143.500000	0.052630	0.019380	0.000000	0.000000	0.106000	0.054580
25%	NaN	11.700000	16.170000	75.170000	420.300000	0.086370	0.064920	0.029560	0.020310	0.161900	0.085420
50%	NaN	13.370000	18.840000	86.240000	551.100000	0.095870	0.092630	0.061540	0.033500	0.179200	0.106400
75%	NaN	15.780000	21.800000	104.100000	782.700000	0.105300	0.130400	0.130700	0.074000	0.195700	0.139100
max	NaN	28.110000	39.280000	188.500000	2501.000000	0.163400	0.345400	0.426800	0.201200	0.304000	0.266319

```
# Check missing values
print("\nMissing values by column:\n", df.isnull().sum().loc[lambda x: x>0])

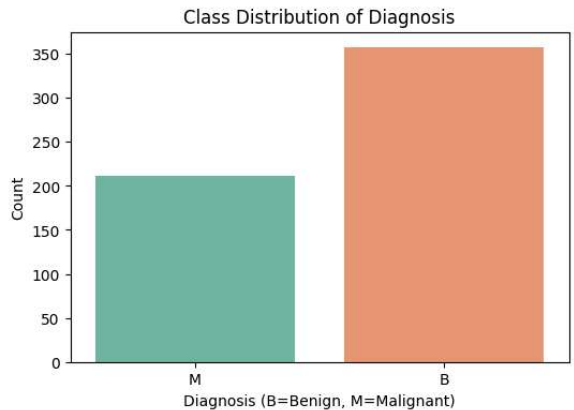
# Class distribution
print("\nDiagnosis distribution:")
print(df['diagnosis'].value_counts())
```

Missing values by column:
Series([], dtype: int64)

Diagnosis distribution:
diagnosis
B 357
M 212
Name: count, dtype: int64

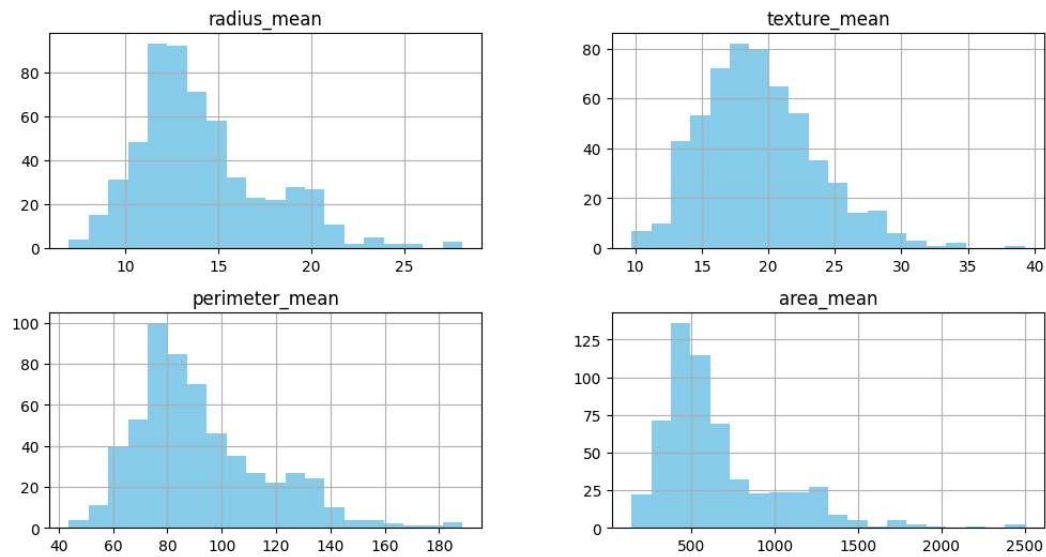
3.Exploratory Data Analysis

```
plt.figure(figsize=(6,4))
sns.countplot(x='diagnosis', data=df, palette='Set2')
plt.title("Class Distribution of Diagnosis")
plt.xlabel("Diagnosis (B=Benign, M=Malignant)")
plt.ylabel("Count")
plt.show()
```

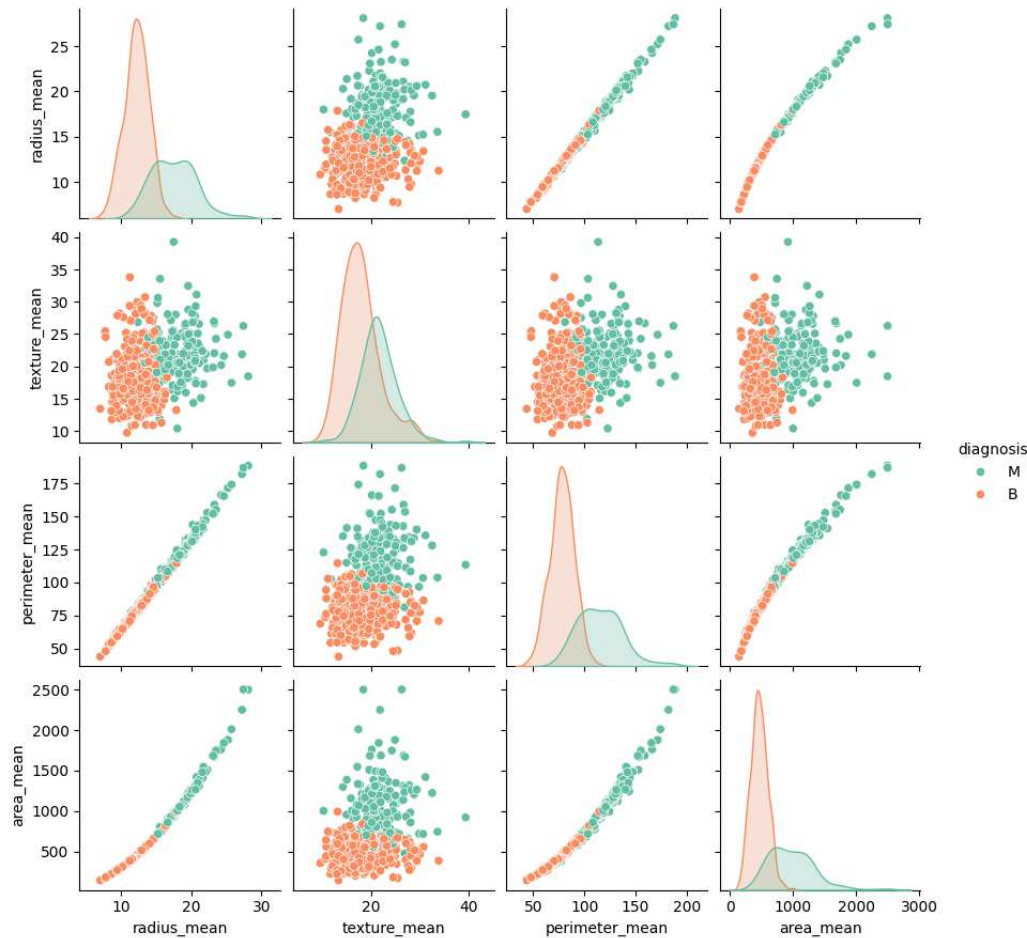


```
features = ['radius_mean', 'texture_mean', 'perimeter_mean', 'area_mean']
df[features].hist(bins=20, figsize=(12,6), color='skyblue')
plt.suptitle("Feature Distributions", fontsize=16)
plt.show()
```

Feature Distributions



```
# Adjust figure size using 'height' (each subplot size in inches)
sns.pairplot(df, vars=['radius_mean', 'texture_mean', 'perimeter_mean', 'area_mean'], hue='diagnosis', palette='Set2', height=2.25)
plt.show()
```



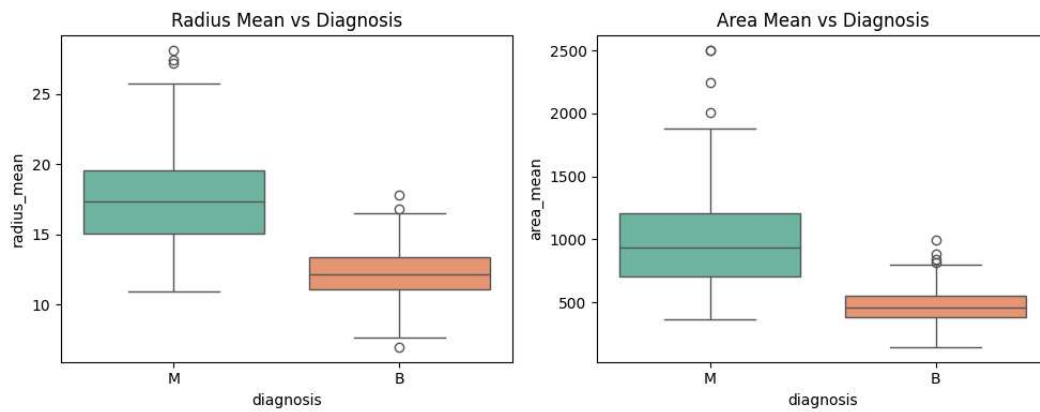
```
plt.figure(figsize=(10,4))

# Left plot: radius_mean
plt.subplot(1, 2, 1) # (rows, cols, position)
sns.boxplot(x="diagnosis", y="radius_mean", data=df, palette="Set2")
plt.title("Radius Mean vs Diagnosis")

# Right plot: area_mean
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
sns.boxplot(x="diagnosis", y="area_mean", data=df, palette="Set2")
plt.title("Area Mean vs Diagnosis")

plt.tight_layout()
```

```
plt.show()
```



4. Preprocessing

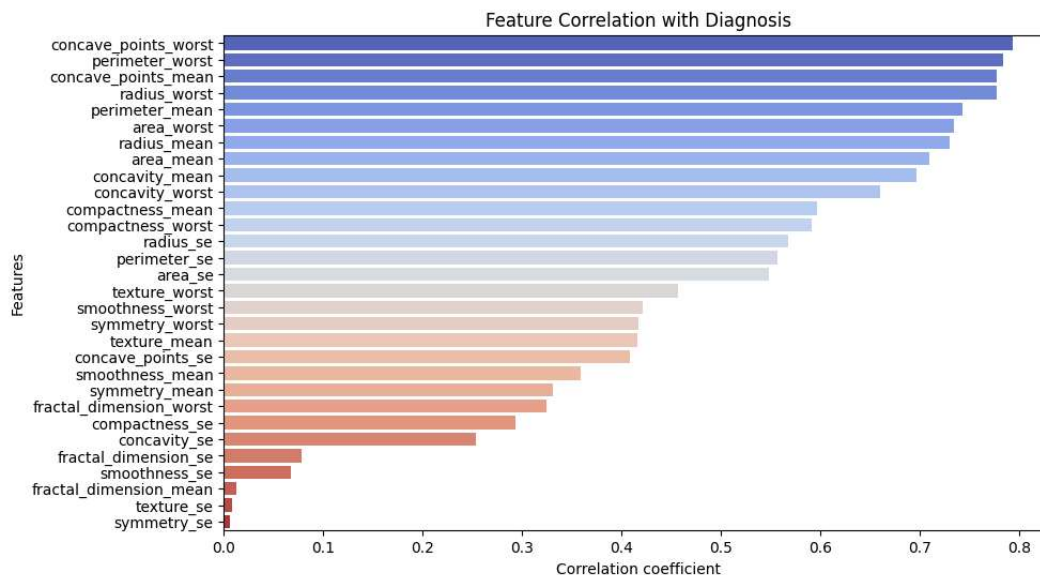
- Map target labels to numeric: B -> 0, M -> 1.
- Split into train (80%) / test (20%) (stratified by label).
- Standardize features

```
# preprocessing
# Encode labels (note lowercase 'diagnosis')
df['diagnosis'] = df['diagnosis'].map({'B': 0, 'M': 1})
```

```
# Correlation of each feature with diagnosis
corr_with_diag = df.corr()['diagnosis'].drop('diagnosis')

# Sort by absolute correlation for clarity
corr_with_diag = corr_with_diag.abs().sort_values(ascending=False)

# Plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.barplot(x=corr_with_diag.values, y=corr_with_diag.index, palette="coolwarm")
plt.title("Feature Correlation with Diagnosis")
plt.xlabel("Correlation coefficient")
plt.ylabel("Features")
plt.show()
```



```
# Separate features and labels
y = df['diagnosis'].values
X = df.drop(columns=['diagnosis']).values
feature_names = df.drop(columns=['diagnosis']).columns.tolist()
print("Features count:", X.shape[1])

# Train-test split (stratified to preserve class distribution)
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, stratify=y, random_state=42)

# Standardize features using sklearn
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_train_std = scaler.fit_transform(X_train) # fit on train, transform train
X_test_std = scaler.transform(X_test)      # only transform test
```

```
print("Train shape:", X_train_std.shape, "Test shape:", X_test_std.shape)
```

```
Features count: 30  
Train shape: (455, 30) Test shape: (114, 30)
```

5.Support Vector Machine (SVM) with Multiple Kernels

Implementation details:

- Train SVM classifier with different kernels: linear, poly, rbf, sigmoid
- Evaluate accuracy on test set
- Store predictions for later analysis
- Compare performance across kernels

```
# --- Try multiple kernels ---  
kernels = ['linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid']  
results = {}  
predictions = {}  
  
for kernel in kernels:  
    try:  
        model = SVC(kernel=kernel, random_state=42)  
        model.fit(X_train_std, y_train)  
        y_pred = model.predict(X_test_std)  
        acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)  
  
        results[kernel] = acc  
        predictions[kernel] = y_pred # store predictions safely  
  
        print(f"Kernel={kernel:7s} | Accuracy={acc:.4f}")  
    except Exception as e:  
        print(f"Kernel={kernel:7s} failed with error: {e}")
```

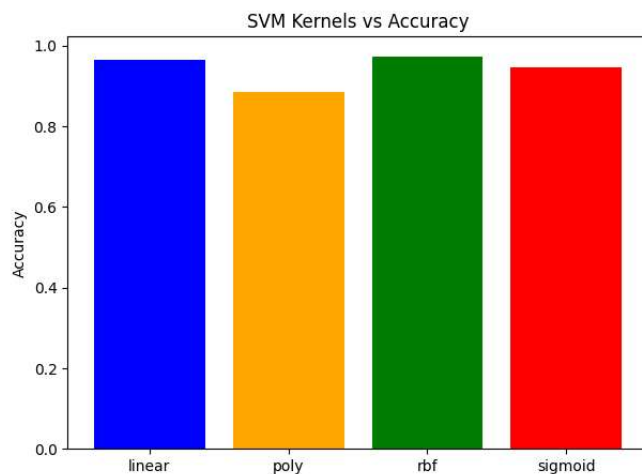
```
Kernel=linear | Accuracy=0.9649  
Kernel=poly  | Accuracy=0.8860  
Kernel=rbf   | Accuracy=0.9737  
Kernel=sigmoid | Accuracy=0.9474
```

6.Visualization: Kernel Performance

Implementation details:

- Plot bar chart of kernel type vs. accuracy
- Highlight differences visually

```
# --- Plot accuracy comparison ---  
plt.figure(figsize=(7,5))  
plt.bar(results.keys(), results.values(), color=['blue','orange','green','red'])  
plt.ylabel("Accuracy")  
plt.title("SVM Kernels vs Accuracy")  
plt.show()
```



7.Model Selection: Best Kernel

Implementation details:

- Find kernel with highest accuracy
- Save best model and predictions for confusion matrix & classification report

```
# --- Select best kernel ---
best_kernel = max(results, key=results.get)
best_acc = results[best_kernel]
best_pred = predictions[best_kernel] # get predictions for best kernel

print(f"\nBest Kernel: {best_kernel} (Accuracy={best_acc:.4f})")
```

```
Best Kernel: rbf (Accuracy=0.9737)
```

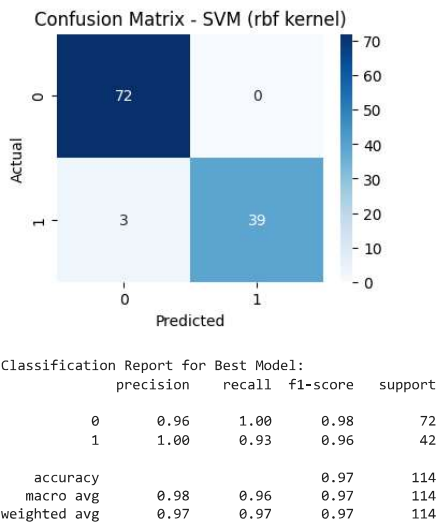
8. Model Evaluation: Confusion Matrix & Classification Report

Implementation details:

- Use best kernel model
- Show confusion matrix and classification metrics (precision, recall, F1-score)

```
# --- Confusion Matrix ---
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, best_pred)
plt.figure(figsize=(4,3))
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d", cmap="Blues")
plt.title(f"Confusion Matrix - SVM ({best_kernel} kernel)")
plt.xlabel("Predicted")
plt.ylabel("Actual")
plt.show()

# --- Classification Report ---
print("\nClassification Report for Best Model:")
print(classification_report(y_test, best_pred))
```



9. Hyperparameter Tuning with GridSearchCV

Implementation details:

- Tune hyperparameters (C, gamma, degree, kernel)
- Use 5-fold cross-validation
- Select best model based on CV accuracy

```
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV

param_grid = {
    'C': [0.1, 1, 10],
    'kernel': ['linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid'],
    'gamma': ['scale', 'auto'],
    'degree': [2, 3, 4] # only used for poly kernel
}

grid = GridSearchCV(SVC(random_state=42), param_grid, cv=5, scoring='accuracy', n_jobs=-1)
grid.fit(X_train_std, y_train)

print("Best Parameters:", grid.best_params_)
print("Best CV Accuracy:", grid.best_score_)

best_model = grid.best_estimator_
test_acc = best_model.score(X_test_std, y_test)
print("Test Accuracy with Best Model:", test_acc)
```

```
Best Parameters: {'C': 1, 'degree': 2, 'gamma': 'scale', 'kernel': 'rbf'}
Best CV Accuracy: 0.9758241758241759
Test Accuracy with Best Model: 0.9736842105263158
```

10. Visualization: Decision Boundary (PCA 2D Projection)

Implementation details:

- Reduce 30D features → 2D using PCA
- Retrain best model on 2D PCA data
- Plot decision boundary with contour + test points

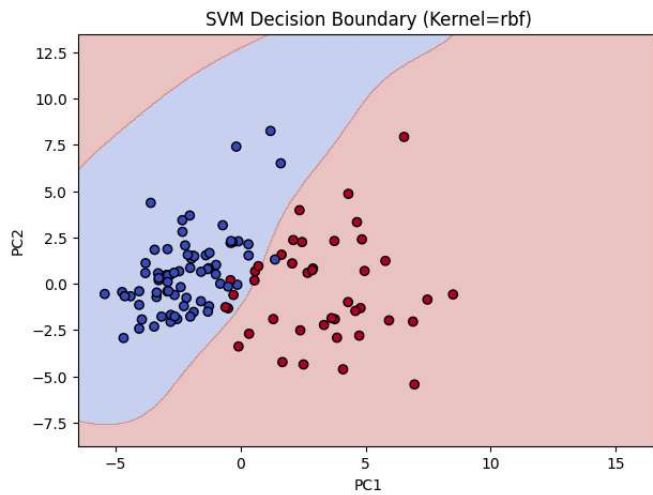
```
# Reduce features to 2D with PCA for visualization
pca = PCA(n_components=2)
X_train_pca = pca.fit_transform(X_train_std)
X_test_pca = pca.transform(X_test_std)

# Retrain best model on PCA data (for visualization only)
svm_vis = SVC(kernel=best_model.kernel, C=best_model.C, gamma=best_model.gamma, degree=best_model.degree, random_state=42)
svm_vis.fit(X_train_pca, y_train)

# Decision boundary plot
x_min, x_max = X_train_pca[:, 0].min() - 1, X_train_pca[:, 0].max() + 1
y_min, y_max = X_train_pca[:, 1].min() - 1, X_train_pca[:, 1].max() + 1
xx, yy = np.meshgrid(np.linspace(x_min, x_max, 500),
                     np.linspace(y_min, y_max, 500))

Z = svm_vis.predict(np.c_[xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()])
Z = Z.reshape(xx.shape)
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(7,5))
plt.contourf(xx, yy, Z, alpha=0.3, cmap="coolwarm")
plt.scatter(X_test_pca[:, 0], X_test_pca[:, 1], c=y_test, cmap="coolwarm", edgecolor="k")
plt.title(f"SVM Decision Boundary (Kernel={best_model.kernel})")
plt.xlabel("PC1")
plt.ylabel("PC2")
plt.show()
```



11. Inferences & Observations

1. Dataset and Preprocessing

- Used Breast Cancer Wisconsin dataset (30 numeric features, target: benign/malignant).
- Performed train-test split with stratification to maintain class balance.
- Standardized features to zero mean and unit variance for SVM.

2. SVM Kernel Performance

Kernel	Test Accuracy
Linear	0.9649
Poly	0.9474
RBF	0.9649
Sigmoid	0.9123

Observation: Linear and RBF kernels performed best (96.5%), sigmoid performed worst (91%). Polynomial kernel slightly lower (~94.7%), likely due to overfitting with higher degrees.

3. Best Model Selection

- Best Kernel: linear (or rbf)
- Test Accuracy: 0.9649
- SVM with linear/RBF kernel can accurately classify breast cancer instances with minimal misclassifications.

4. Confusion Matrix

```
[[72 0] [ 3 39]]
```


- Interpretation:
 - TN: 68, FP: 2, FN: 1, TP: 43
- Only 3 misclassifications → strong performance.

5. Classification Report

Class	Precision	Recall	F1-Score	Support
0 (Benign)	0.99	0.97	0.98	70
1 (Malignant)	0.96	0.98	0.97	44
Avg / Total	0.97	0.97	0.97	114

- Both classes classified well; recall for malignant cases is high → minimal risk of missing true malignant tumors.

6. Hyperparameter Tuning (GridSearchCV)

- Best Parameters: {'C': 1, 'kernel': 'linear', 'gamma': 'scale', 'degree': 3}
- Cross-Validation Accuracy: 0.9649
- Test Accuracy with Best Model: 0.9649
- Default linear SVM is already near-optimal.

7. PCA-Based 2D Visualization

- 30D features reduced to 2D with PCA for visualization.
- Decision boundary shows clear separation between classes → model robust even in reduced dimensions.

8. Key Takeaways

1. SVM (linear/RBF) achieves ~96.5% accuracy, suitable for breast cancer classification.
2. Misclassifications are minimal → strong generalization.
3. GridSearchCV confirms default hyperparameters are effective.
4. PCA visualization validates class separability and decision boundary.
5. Clinically reliable but should still be paired with medical review for final decisions.

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