



# Breast Cancer Prediction using Logistic Regression

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## 📌 Introduction

This project aims to build a machine learning model that predicts whether a tumor is malignant or benign using the Breast Cancer Wisconsin dataset from Kaggle. The model is built using **Logistic Regression**, and the focus is on proper data preprocessing, exploratory data analysis (EDA), and thorough evaluation using multiple metrics.

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## 📁 Dataset Description

The dataset consists of **569 instances** and **32 columns**, including:

- **ID column** (*unique identifier, already removed during preprocessing*)
  - **Diagnosis column** (*target: M = Malignant, B = Benign*)
  - **30 numeric features** describing characteristics of the cell nuclei (e.g., radius, texture, perimeter)
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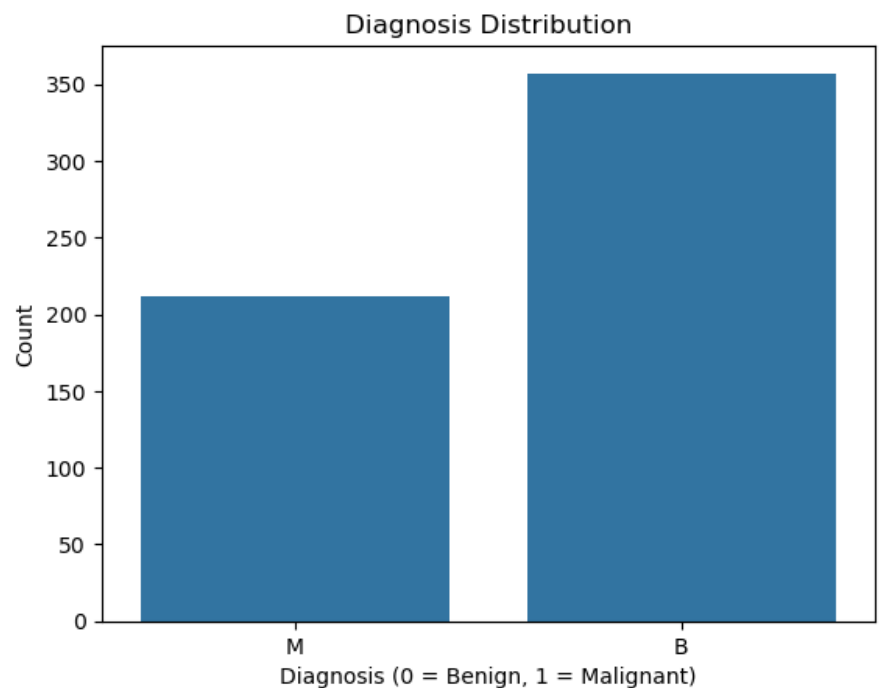
## 🔍 Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Basic insights from the dataset:

- `df.info()` confirms that all features are numerical, and there are no missing values.
- `df.describe()` gives a summary of statistics across the dataset.
- `df.shape` returns (569, 33) indicating 33 columns including ID and target.
- `df.isnull().sum()` confirms there are **no null values**.
- `df['diagnosis'].value_counts()` shows the distribution of benign and malignant cases.
- **Encoded** the target column diagnosis as binary labels:
  - 'M' → 1 (Malignant)
  - 'B' → 0 (Benign)

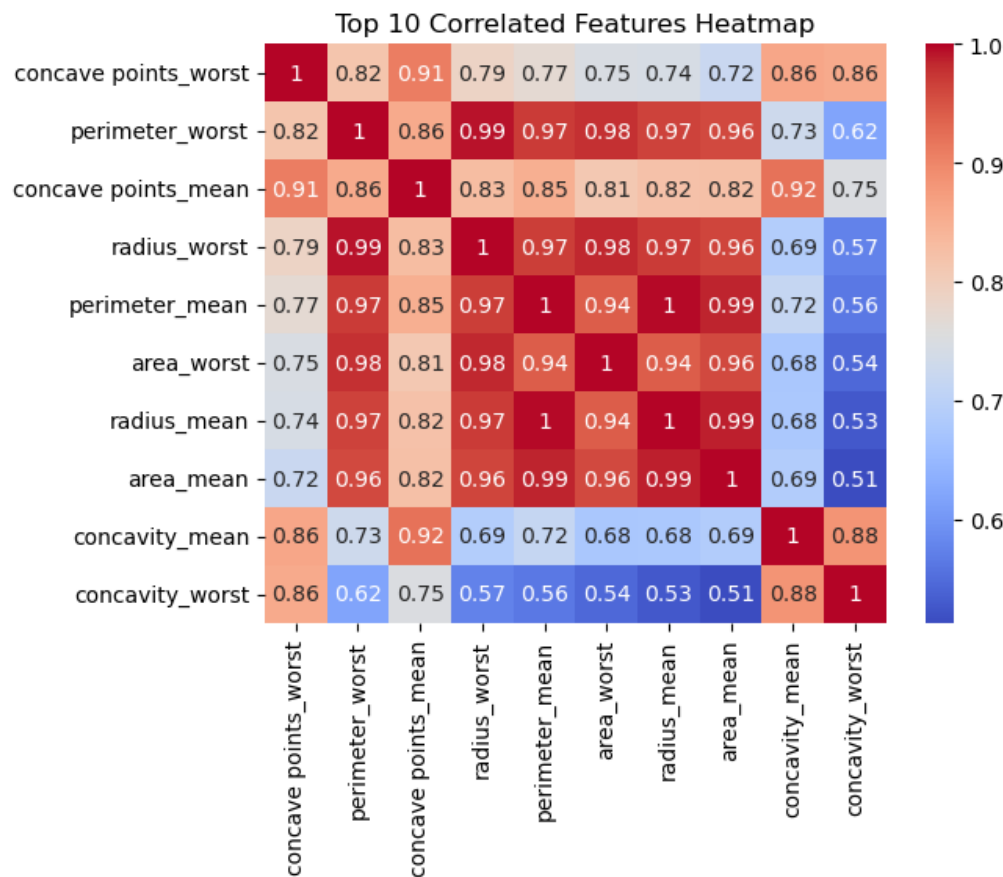
This encoding is needed for correlation analysis and modeling.
- `df.corr()` was used to compute correlations between numeric features and the target.

Plot: Diagnosis Distribution



This bar chart visualizes the number of malignant vs. benign diagnoses in the dataset.

Plot: Top 10 Correlated Features Heatmap



This bar helps identify which features are most relevant for the prediction task.

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## Data Preprocessing

Steps taken:

1. **Dropped the id column** as it holds no predictive value.
  2. **Separated features and target variable** (X, y)
  3. **Train-test split** using `train_test_split()` with 80/20 ratio.
  4. **Standardized features** using `StandardScaler()` to normalize the data before model training:
    - `fit_transform()` was applied to X\_train
    - `transform()` was used on X\_test
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## Modeling with Logistic Regression

The logistic regression model was trained using:

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from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
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- The model was fitted to the training data and used to predict test values.
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## Evaluation Metrics

After training the logistic regression model, the following evaluation metrics were computed on the test set:

- **Accuracy: 0.9737**  
→ The model correctly classified **97.37%** of the cases.
- **Precision, Recall, F1-Score:**

	precision	recall	f1-score
0	0.97	0.99	0.98
1	0.98	0.95	0.96

*(The exact numbers will be taken from the `classification_report()` output)*

These metrics provide insight into how well the model performs on both benign (0) and malignant (1) classes, especially in imbalanced datasets.

- **Confusion Matrix:**

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[[70  1]
 [ 2 41]]
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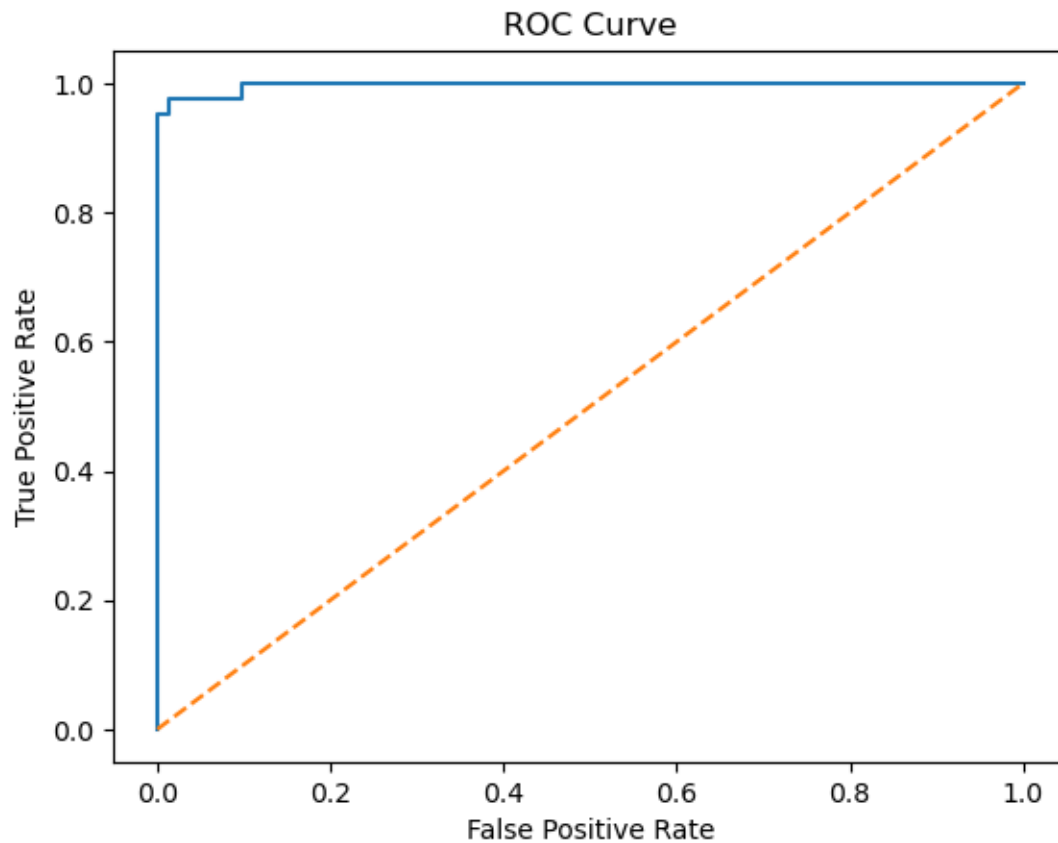
Gives a breakdown of true positives, true negatives, false positives, and false negatives — useful for visualizing the model's performance.

#### Classification Report

Classification Report:					
		precision	recall	f1-score	support
	0	0.97	0.99	0.98	71
	1	0.98	0.95	0.96	43
accuracy				0.97	114
macro avg		0.97	0.97	0.97	114
weighted avg		0.97	0.97	0.97	114

- **Precision:** Proportion of positive identifications that were actually correct.
- **Recall:** Proportion of actual positives that were correctly identified.
- **F1 Score:** Harmonic mean of precision and recall — balances both.

#### ROC Curve & AUC Score



The **AUC score** is **0.9974**, which indicates excellent model performance in distinguishing between classes across all thresholds.

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## Conclusion

- The logistic regression model performs strongly on this dataset with **high accuracy**, **balanced precision/recall**, and **excellent AUC**.
- Only minor misclassifications occurred (1 false positive, 2 false negatives).
- This model can serve as a solid baseline for breast cancer prediction tasks.