

MACHINE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT SETUP & DATA ANALYSIS USING IRIS DATASET

A step-by-step guide

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INTRODUCTION

Objective: Setting up a Python environment for ML and performing basic data analysis.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

- Understanding Python ML libraries.
- Hands-on dataset loading and preprocessing.
- Learning basic data visualization techniques.
- Understanding data distribution, correlation, and relationships between features.
- Preparing data for machine learning applications.

TASK 1 - ENVIRONMENT SETUP

Install required libraries:

NumPy: Provides support for large, multi-dimensional arrays and matrices, along with mathematical functions for numerical operations.

Pandas: A library for data manipulation and analysis, particularly useful for handling structured data in tabular format.

Matplotlib & Seaborn: Used for data visualization, where Seaborn provides enhanced statistical plotting capabilities.

Scikit-learn: A machine learning library that includes dataset loading, preprocessing, model selection, and evaluation tools.

Python Code:

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn import datasets
```

VERIFYING INSTALLATIONS

Checking Versions:

```
print(pd.__version__)  
print(np.__version__)
```

Why Check Versions?

- Ensures compatibility and stability of libraries.

- Avoids errors due to deprecated functions in older versions.

Output:

- Displays installed versions, confirming successful setup.

TASK 2 - LOADING THE IRIS DATASET

The **Iris dataset** is a well-known dataset containing **150 samples** from three different species of Iris flowers:

Setosa, Versicolor and Virginica

Each sample includes **four features**:

Sepal Length, Sepal Width, Petal Length and Petal Width

Python Code:

```
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
iris = load_iris()
df = pd.DataFrame(data=iris.data, columns=iris.feature_names)
df['species'] = iris.target
```

Why Load with Pandas?

Allows easy data manipulation and visualization.

EXPLORING THE DATASET

Dataset Information:

Python code :

```
df.shape  
df.dtypes  
df.info()  
df.describe()
```

Key Insights:

Number of rows and columns.

Data types of features.

Summary statistics (mean, standard deviation, min, max, etc.).Helps identify any missing or inconsistent data.

Task 3 - Data Visualization

Histograms: Understanding Feature Distributions

Purpose:

Histograms display the frequency distribution of numerical data.

Helps understand feature spread and identify patterns

Python Code :

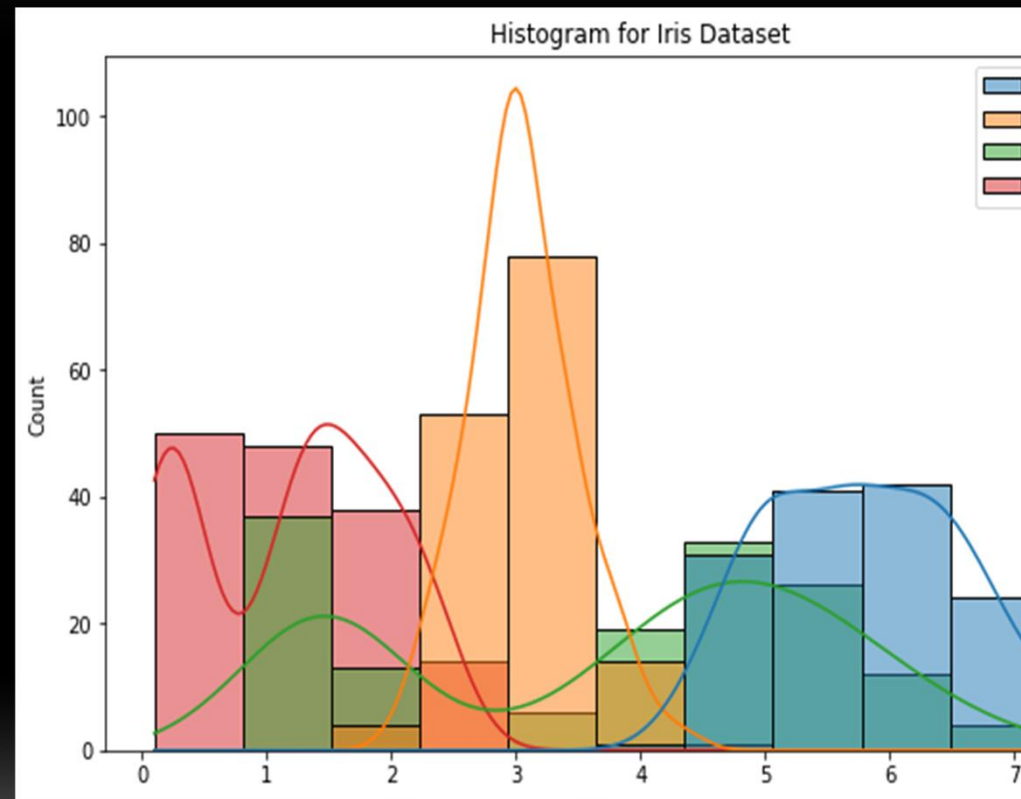
```
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.histplot(df,kde = True)
plt.title('Histogram for Iris Dataset')
plt.show()
```

Interpretation:

Peaks indicate frequent values.

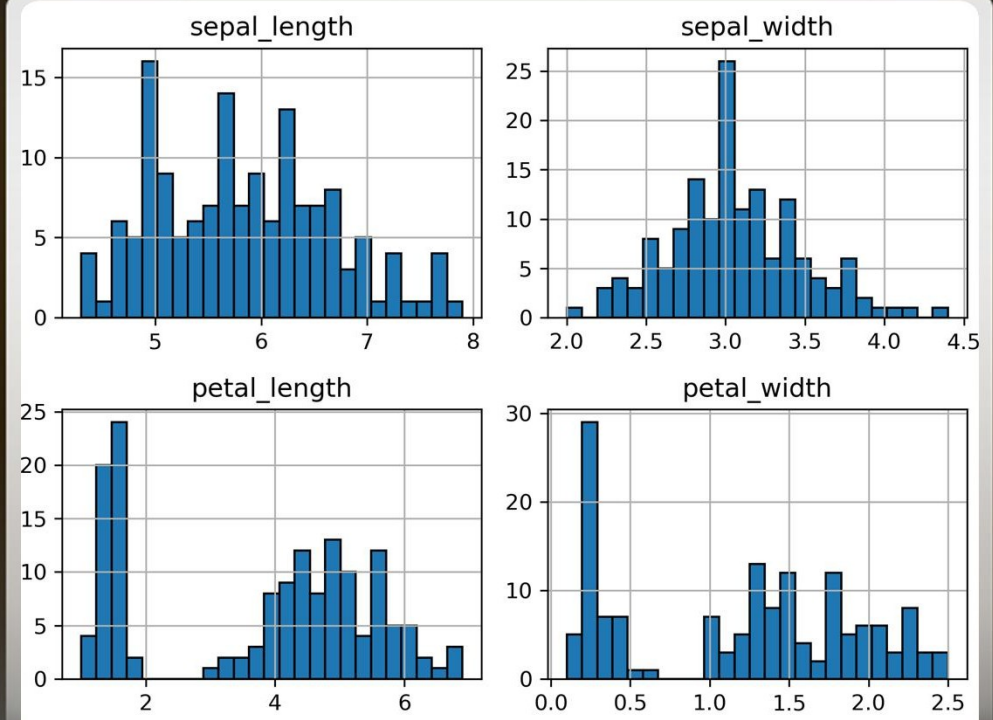
Can detect skewness or uniformity in the data.

Helps in identifying whether features require normalization.



Python code :

```
plt.figure(figsize = (10,6))  
df.hist(bins = 25,edgecolor = 'black')  
plt.tight_layout()  
plt.show()
```



Box Plots for Outliers

Purpose:

Box plots help detect outliers by displaying data spread using quartiles.

Shows median, interquartile range (IQR), and potential outliers.

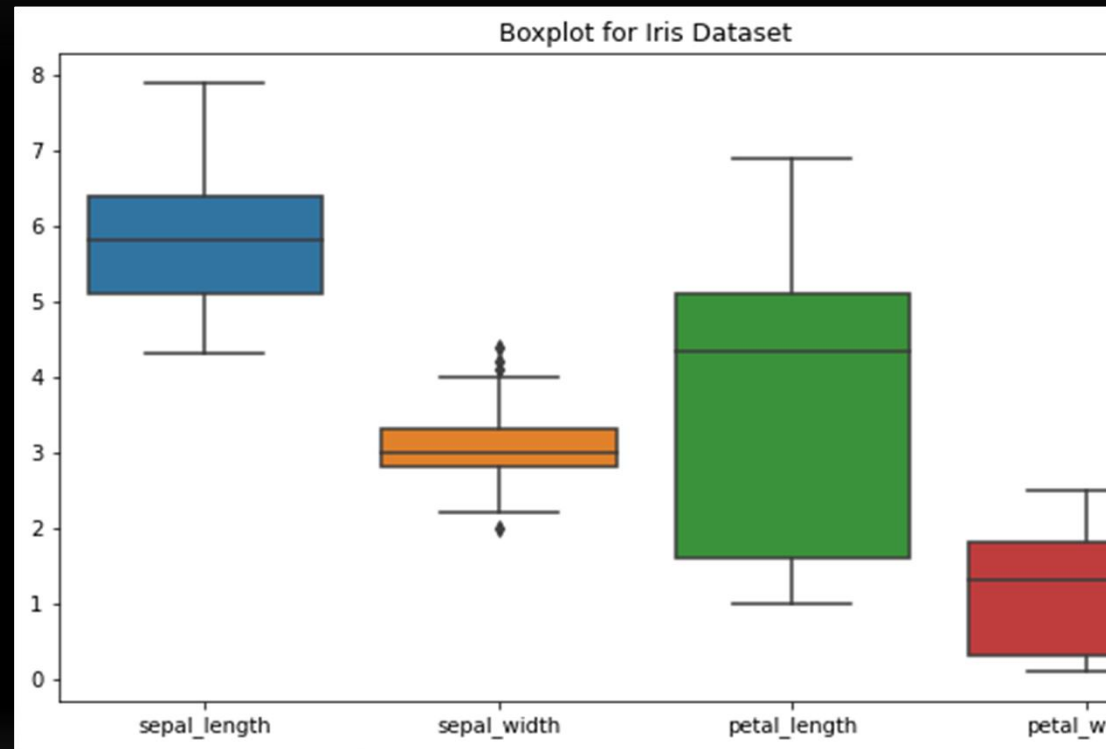
Python Code :

```
plt.figure(figsize = (10,6))
sns.boxplot(data = df)
plt.title('Boxplot for Iris Dataset')
plt.show()
```

Interpretation:

Features like petal length and petal width show clear separation between species.

Helps in feature selection for classification tasks.



Pair Plots: Exploring Feature Relationships

Purpose:

Pair plots show the relationships between different features.

Helps visualize how well features separate different species.

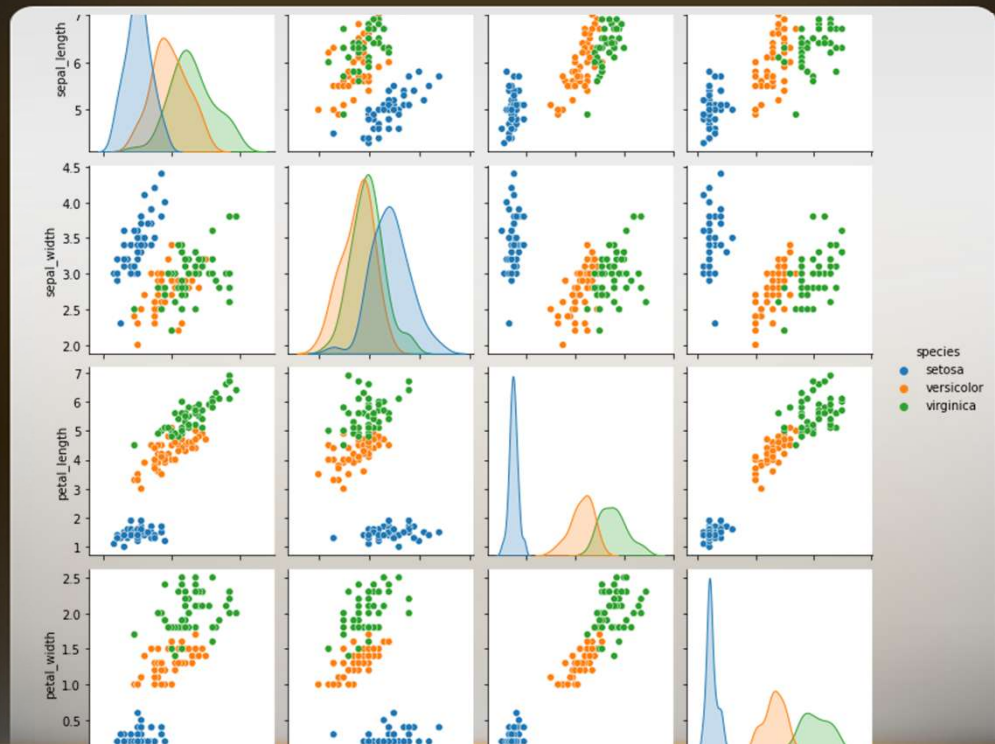
Python Code:

```
df.pairplot(df, hue = 'species')  
plt.show()
```

Interpretation:

Features like petal length and petal width show clear separation between species.

Helps in feature selection for classification tasks.



Correlation Heatmap: Feature Relationships

Purpose:

A heatmap visually represents feature correlations.

High correlation between features may indicate redundancy.

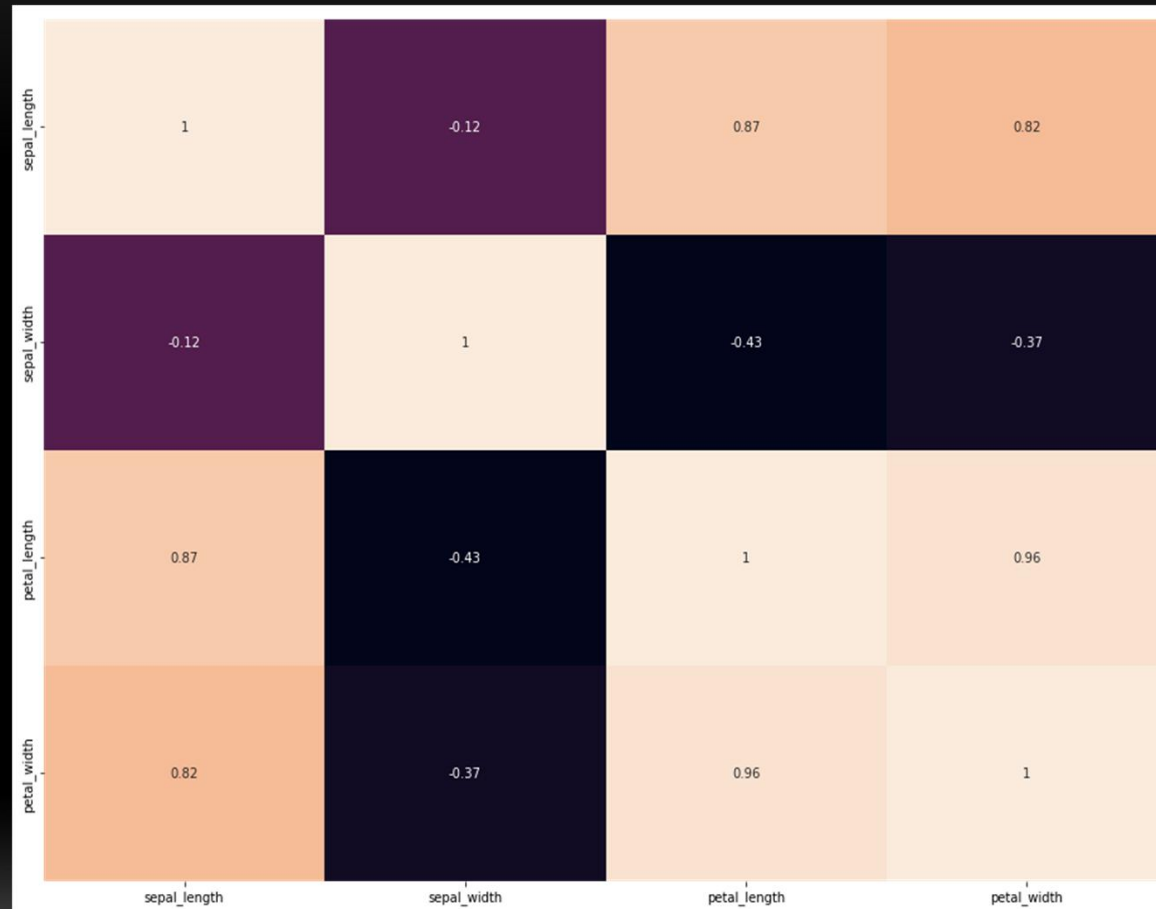
Python Code :

```
corr = df.corr(numeric_only = True)
plt.figure(figsize = (20,12))
sns.heatmap(corr,annot = True)
plt.show()
```

Interpretation:

Strong positive/negative correlations help in feature engineering.

Weak correlations suggest independent variables.



TASK 4 - BASIC DATA PREPROCESSING

Handling Missing Values:

python code :

```
df.isnull()  
df.isnull().sum()
```

Why Check for Missing Values?

Missing values can impact model accuracy.

The Iris dataset does not contain missing values, but this step is crucial for real-world datasets.

STANDARDIZATION

Why Standardization?

Ensures features have a mean of 0 and standard deviation of 1.

Essential when using algorithms sensitive to feature scales.

Python Code :

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler  
scaler = StandardScaler()  
scaled_features = scaler.fit_transform(df.iloc[:, :-1])
```

SPLITTING DATA INTO TRAIN & TEST SETS

Why Split Data?

To evaluate model performance on unseen data.

To also prevent data from overfitting.

Python Code:

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split  
X = df.iloc[:, :-1].values  
y = df.iloc[:, -1].values  
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.20, random_state=42)
```

Split Ratio:

80% training data.

20% testing data.

CONCLUSION

Key Takeaways:

- Successfully set up Python ML environment.
- Explored and visualized the Iris dataset.
- Performed preprocessing for ML models.

Next Steps:

- Apply ML algorithms (e.g., kNN, Decision Trees) to classify Iris species.
- Perform model evaluation and optimization.

THANK YOU!