report-homework-1

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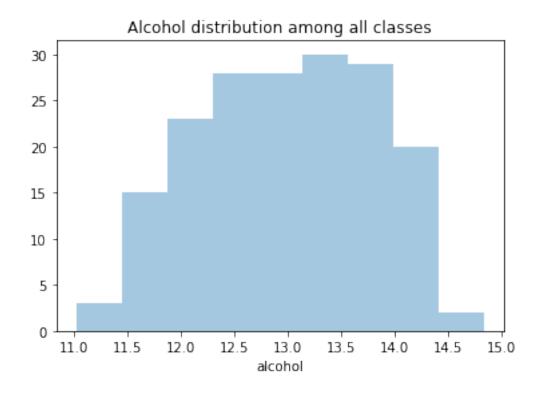
1 Dataset

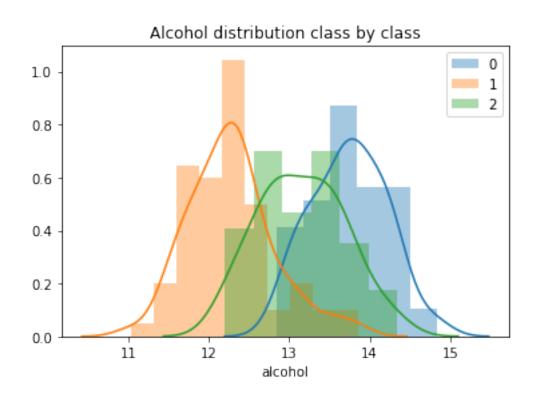
The following machine learning exercises are applied on sklearn wine dataset that is taken from UCI wine dataset. Before to go deep into the analysis it's useful for the reader to understand how wine dataset is composed, that is it might be helpful to give a look at its features, features distribution, cardinalities, kind of labels that are in the dataset and so on, since it's a crucial task in a data analysis. We can get a brief description of the dataset in the following table.

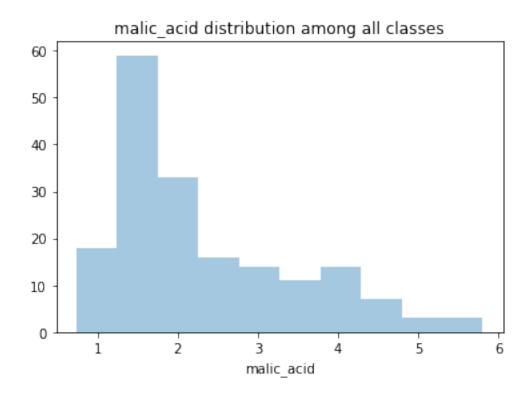
Features	Min	Max	Mean	SD
Alcohol	11.0	14.8	13.0	0.8
Malic Acid	0.74	5.80	2.34	1.12
Ash	1.36	3.23	2.36	0.27
Alcalinity of Ash	10.6	30.0	19.5	3.3
Magnesium	70.0	162.0	99.7	14.3
Total Phenols	0.98	3.88	2.29	0.63
Flavanoids:	0.34	5.08	2.03	1.00
Nonflavanoid Phenols	0.13	0.66	0.36	0.12
Proanthocyanins	0.41	3.58	1.59	0.57
Colour Intensity	1.3	13.0	5.1	2.3
Hue	0.48	1.71	0.96	0.23
OD280/OD315 of diluted wines	1.27	4.00	2.61	0.71
Proline	278	1680	746	315

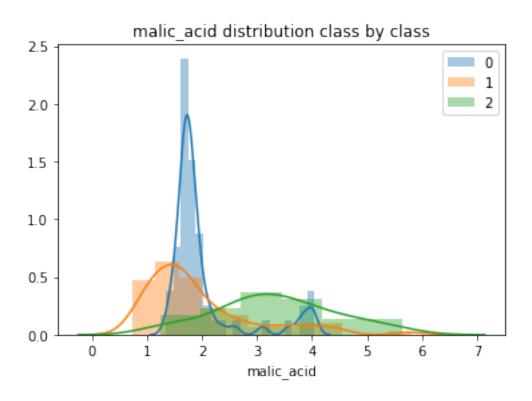
- Missing Attribute Values: None
- Class Distribution: class_0 (59), class_1 (71), class_2 (48)

From this brief description we can see that the dataset is composed by 13 continuous features and there are 3 class lables that represent 3 different wine categories. For the following exercises we will use a 2D representation of the dataset, in particular we will use only the first two features (i.e Alchol and Malic Acid). It could be interesting to see the distribution of these features, among all classes and one per class.









From these graphs we can see an interesting distribution of *alcohol* among each class, it seems that each wine category have different percentages of alcohol inside, like a low-mid-high distribution. The other feature, *malic_acid*, give us an interesting information too, indeed it seems that the first wine category has a specific value range for these feature, even the third category seems to have a quite well separated range of value for this feature. We have to keep in mind that all these values are not scaled, scaling them could lead to more precise informations on how these wine categories are separated in terms of these features.

2 Sets preparation

Before to proceed with the requested analysis I have split the data into a train, validate and test subsets as suggested. The proportion used is 5:3:2, so the 50% of the data are used as training set, 30% are used for the validation set and the remaining are used to test classifiers. To do so I have used the train_test_split function of the sklearn package. Here it's the code from the code part of the homework:

As the code states I've split the process into two steps, in the first step I've split data into train and test set and then I've split the train set again to get the final training set and a validation set. Using the number of samples instead of the percentage of samples in the test_size option of the function I've preserved the proportion between each subsets.

3 K-Nearest Neighbors

- [] presentazione del metodo KNN (max 5 righe)
- $\bullet\,$ [] spiegazione della metodologia utilizzata nella parte di code
 - − [] come è stato creato il modello
 - − [] come e cosa è stato plottato
 - − [] come è stato testato

KNN is a non parametric technique that attempts to estimate the conditional distribution of Y given X. Given a positive number K and a test observation x_0 , the KNN classifier first identifies the K points that are closest to x_0 then it classifies this point taking a majority vote (in a classification setting). Let's say to take a value of K equals to 5 and 5 points that are labeled in this way: (A,A,A,B,B), so if these points are the 5 closest ones to x_0 then x_0 would be labeled with A.

3.1 Classification

To do the KNN classification I've just created an array kn_values=[1,3,5,7] then I used a foreach loop to iterate over this array saving in a variable called kn the current value of k. To create a knn model at each iteration I've used KneighborsCLassifier function