Logistic Regression:

Logistic regression is a statistical method used for binary classification problems, where the outcome variable (dependent variable) is categorical and has only two possible values, usually represented as 0 and 1 (e.g., yes/no, true/false, spam/not spam). Despite its name, logistic regression is a classification algorithm rather than a regression algorithm. It estimates the probability that a given input belongs to a certain class.

How it works:

Data Collection: As with linear regression, you collect your data. However, in logistic regression, your dependent variable is binary (0 or 1).

Data Exploration: Explore your data to understand the relationship between the independent variables and the binary outcome variable.

Model Building: Logistic regression models the probability that a given input belongs to the positive class (class 1) using the logistic function (also known as the sigmoid function): $P(Y=1|X) = 1/(1 + e^{-(\beta 0 + \beta 1X1 + \beta 2X2 + ... + \beta n*Xn)})$ Where:

P(Y=1|X) is the probability of the positive class given the input features X. e is the base of the natural logarithm.

 β 0, β 1, ..., β n are the coefficients of the independent variables.

X1, X2, ..., Xn are the values of the independent variables.

The logistic function ensures that the predicted probabilities are between 0 and 1.

Model Training: Using techniques like maximum likelihood estimation or gradient descent, the model's coefficients (β) are estimated based on the training data.

Model Evaluation: Once the model is trained, evaluate its performance using metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, etc., on a separate test dataset.

Practical Example:

Let's consider a dataset containing information about students and whether they pass or fail an exam based on their study hours and previous exam scores. We'll build a logistic regression model to predict whether a student will pass or fail based on these features.

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# Importing necessary libraries
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix
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# Generating example data
np.random.seed(0)
study_hours = np.random.randint(1, 10, 100)
previous_scores = np.random.randint(40, 100, 100)
pass_fail = np.where((0.5 * study_hours + previous_scores - 30) > 0, 1, 0)
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Creating a DataFrame

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data = pd.DataFrame({'Study Hours': study_hours, 'Previous Scores': previous_scores, 'Pass/Fail':
pass_fail})
# Visualizing the data
plt.scatter(data[data['Pass/Fail'] == 0]['Study Hours'], data[data['Pass/Fail'] == 0]['Previous Scores'],
color='red', label='Fail')
plt.scatter(data[data['Pass/Fail'] == 1]['Study Hours'], data[data['Pass/Fail'] == 1]['Previous Scores'],
color='blue', label='Pass')
plt.title('Pass/Fail Classification')
plt.xlabel('Study Hours')
plt.ylabel('Previous Scores')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
# Splitting the data into training and testing sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(data[['Study Hours', 'Previous Scores']],
data['Pass/Fail'], test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
# Building and training the logistic regression model
model = LogisticRegression()
model.fit(X_train, y_train)
# Making predictions
y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
# Evaluating the model
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
conf_matrix = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
print("Accuracy:", accuracy)
print("Confusion Matrix:\n", conf_matrix)
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In this example, we first generate some example data for study hours, previous exam scores, and pass/fail outcomes. We then visualize the data using a scatter plot, where different colors represent pass and fail. After splitting the data into training and testing sets, we build a logistic regression model using scikit-learn's **LogisticRegression** class. Finally, we make predictions on the test set and evaluate the model using accuracy and a confusion matrix.