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Assignment 1 - Introduction to Machine Learning

For this assignment, you will be using the Breast Cancer Wisconsin (Diagnostic) Database to create a classifier that can help diagnose patients. First, read through the description of the dataset (below).

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.datasets import load_breast_cancer

cancer = load_breast_cancer()

print(cancer.DESCR) # Print the data set description
```

Breast Cancer Wisconsin (Diagnostic) Database
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Notes

Data Set Characteristics:

:Number of Instances: 569

:Number of Attributes: 30 numeric, predictive attributes and the class

:Attribute Information:

- radius (mean of distances from center to points on the perimeter)
- texture (standard deviation of gray-scale values)
- perimeter
- area
- smoothness (local variation in radius lengths)
- compactness (perimeter² / area - 1.0)
- concavity (severity of concave portions of the contour)
- concave points (number of concave portions of the contour)
- symmetry
- fractal dimension ("coastline approximation" - 1)

The mean, standard error, and "worst" or largest (mean of the three largest values) of these features were computed for each image, resulting in 30 features. For instance, field 3 is Mean Radius, field