

Assignment Task 1

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Homework: choose at least two of the listed below problems and solve (two correctly solved problems account for 100 points)

Note: you need to use Python3 for this Homework

1. Linear Regression (50 points)

Dataset: <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/dataset/186/wine+quality>

Description: This dataset contains physicochemical properties of red and white wine samples, with the goal of predicting wine quality.

1.1 Mathematical Formulation (6 points)

In a simple linear regression model, the relationship between the dependent variable y and the independent variable x is expressed as:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \epsilon$$

- a) Explain the significance of each term in the equation.
- b) Discuss the assumptions underlying linear regression models.
- c) What are the potential consequences if these assumptions are violated?

1.2 Python Implementation with Scikit-Learn(44 points)

1. Load and Inspect Data

- Import the dataset and display the first few rows.
- Check for missing values and handle them appropriately.
- Identify and remove any duplicate entries.

2. Descriptive Statistics

- Calculate summary statistics (mean, median, standard deviation) for each feature.
- Identify outliers using box plots and handle them accordingly.

3. Feature Engineering

- Create new features that might be relevant (e.g., alcohol-to-density ratio).
- Assess the impact of these new features on model performance.

4. Univariate Analysis

- a. Plot histograms for each feature to understand their distributions.
- b. Use box plots to visualize the spread and detect outliers.

5. Bivariate Analysis

- a. Create scatter plots to examine relationships between pairs of features.
- b. Compute and visualize the correlation matrix using a heatmap.

6. Dimensionality Reduction

- a. Apply Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to reduce data to two dimensions.
- b. Visualize the PCA results and interpret the variance explained.

7. Data Normalization

- a. Normalize the dataset using Min-Max scaling or Standardization.
- b. Compare model performance before and after normalization.

8. Model Training

- a. Train multiple regression models (e.g., Linear Regression, Ridge, Lasso) to predict wine quality.
- b. Evaluate models using Mean Squared Error (MSE) and R^2 score.

9. Model Evaluation

- a. Generate and interpret residual plots to assess model fit.
- b. Calculate and visualize the Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE).

10. Hyperparameter Tuning

- a. Use GridSearchCV or RandomizedSearchCV to find optimal hyperparameters for models.
- b. Compare the performance of tuned models with default ones.

2. Logistic Regression (50 points)

<https://archive.ics.uci.edu/dataset/2/adult>

Description: This dataset contains demographic information about adults and aims to predict whether a person earns more than \$50K/year based on attributes like age, education, and occupation.

Use Case: Ideal for binary classification tasks, as the target variable is categorical (income >50K or <=50K).

2.1 Mathematical Formulation (6 points)

- a) Explain the concept of a decision threshold in classification models.
- b) How does varying the decision threshold affect the model's performance metrics such as accuracy, precision, and recall?
- c) What is the trade-off between precision and recall, and how is it quantified?

2.2 Python Implementation with Scikit-Learn (44 points)

1. Load and Inspect Data

- a. Import the dataset and display the first few rows.
- b. Check for missing values and handle them appropriately.
- c. Identify and remove any duplicate entries.

2. Descriptive Statistics

- a. Calculate summary statistics (mean, median, standard deviation) for each feature.
- b. Identify outliers using box plots and handle them accordingly.

3. Feature Engineering

- a. Create new features that might be relevant (e.g., age-to-hours-per-week ratio).
- b. Assess the impact of these new features on model performance.

4. Univariate Analysis

- a. Plot histograms for each feature to understand their distributions.
- b. Use box plots to visualize the spread and detect outliers.

5. Bivariate Analysis

- a. Create scatter plots to examine relationships between pairs of features.
- b. Compute and visualize the correlation matrix using a heatmap.

6. Categorical Feature Analysis

- a. Visualize the distribution of categorical variables using bar plots.
- b. Examine the relationship between categorical features and the target variable.

7. Data Normalization

- a. Normalize the dataset using Min-Max scaling or Standardization.

- b. Compare model performance before and after normalization.
- 8. Model Training**
 - a. Train multiple classification models (e.g., Logistic Regression, Decision Trees, Random Forests, Support Vector Machines) to predict income.
 - b. Evaluate models using accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score.
- 9. Model Evaluation**
 - a. Generate and interpret confusion matrices for each model.
 - b. Plot ROC curves and calculate the AUC.
- 10. Hyperparameter Tuning**
 - a. Use GridSearchCV or RandomizedSearchCV to find optimal hyperparameters for models.
 - b. Compare the performance of tuned models with default ones.

3. K-Means Clustering (50 points)

Dataset: <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/dataset/45/heart+disease>

Description: This dataset contains features related to heart disease, including attributes like age, sex, chest pain type, and maximum heart rate achieved.

Use Case: Ideal for clustering tasks, as it allows for the identification of patterns and groupings among patients based on their medical attributes.

- **3.1 Mathematical Formulation (5 points)**

- Explain the K-Means clustering algorithm, including the objective function.
- Discuss the convergence criteria and potential limitations of the algorithm.

- **3.2 Implementation (45 points)**

1. Data Preprocessing:
 - a. Load the dataset and inspect the first few rows.
 - b. Handle missing values appropriately.
 - c. Encode categorical variables using techniques like one-hot encoding.
 - d. Normalize or standardize numerical features to ensure uniform scale.
2. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):
 - a. Visualize the distribution of key features using histograms and box plots.
 - b. Examine correlations between numerical features using a heatmap.
 - c. Identify potential relationships between features and the target variable.
3. Determine Optimal Number of Clusters:
 - a. Use the Elbow Method to find the optimal number of clusters:

- b. Compute the within-cluster sum of squares (WCSS) for a range of cluster numbers.
 - c. Plot WCSS against the number of clusters and identify the "elbow" point.
- 4. Apply K-Means Clustering:
 - a. Implement the K-Means algorithm with the determined number of clusters.
 - b. Assign cluster labels to each data point.
 - c. Visualize the clusters using dimensionality reduction techniques like PCA.
- 5. Interpretation and Analysis:
 - a. Analyze the characteristics of each cluster.
 - b. Compare cluster centroids to understand distinguishing features.
- 6. Discuss potential medical insights gained from the clustering results. Reporting:
 - a. Prepare a report summarizing the methodology, findings, and interpretations.
 - b. Include visualizations and statistical analyses to support conclusions.