

Assignment1 k-Nearest Neighbors

Due Midnight Apr 5, 2025

1. Construct the kNN classifier to predict Breast Cancer (class 2 = benign, 4 = malignant)
2. Split data into 80% training and 20% testing set (random_state = 42 for reproducibility)
3. Data Preprocessing:
 - a. Convert the classes to a 0 (benign) and 1 (malignant) indicator for using in the classifier
 - b. Fill in Missing values, if exist (try using Mode value)
 - c. Drop non-value added variables
 - d. Standardization → `sklearn.preprocessing.StandardScaler`
4. Construct `KNeighborsClassifier` from `sklearn.neighbors`
5. Use Euclidean distance (Minkowski with 2-norm)
6. Tuning of k value using `GridSearchCV` (use default 5-fold cross validation), trying $k = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$. Plot graph and report the value of k achieving the highest accuracy.
7. Write the Analysis and Classification report. Submit the report.pdf file including the link to your **colab notebook**.