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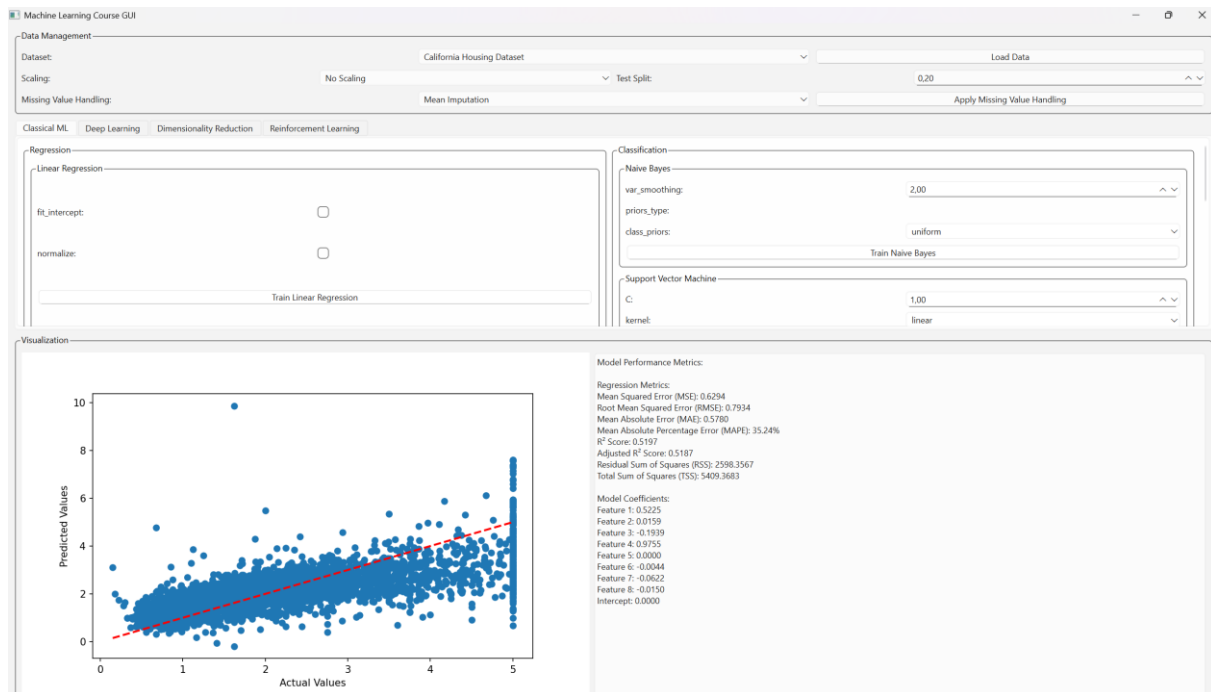
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1. Introduction

This report summarizes the enhancements made to the provided GUI application for machine learning. The enhancements aimed to integrate multiple machine learning methods and improve the functionality of data processing and model evaluation. Key improvements include adding loss function options, kernel selection for SVM, and handling missing data with different methods.



2. GUI Enhancements

- **The following improvements were made to the GUI:** Loss Function Selection: Options for loss functions, such as MSE, MAE for regression and cross-entropy loss for classification, were added.

Code for Loss Functions:

```
self.loss_combo.addItem([
    "Categorical Cross-Entropy",
    "Binary Cross-Entropy",
    "Hinge Loss"
])
```

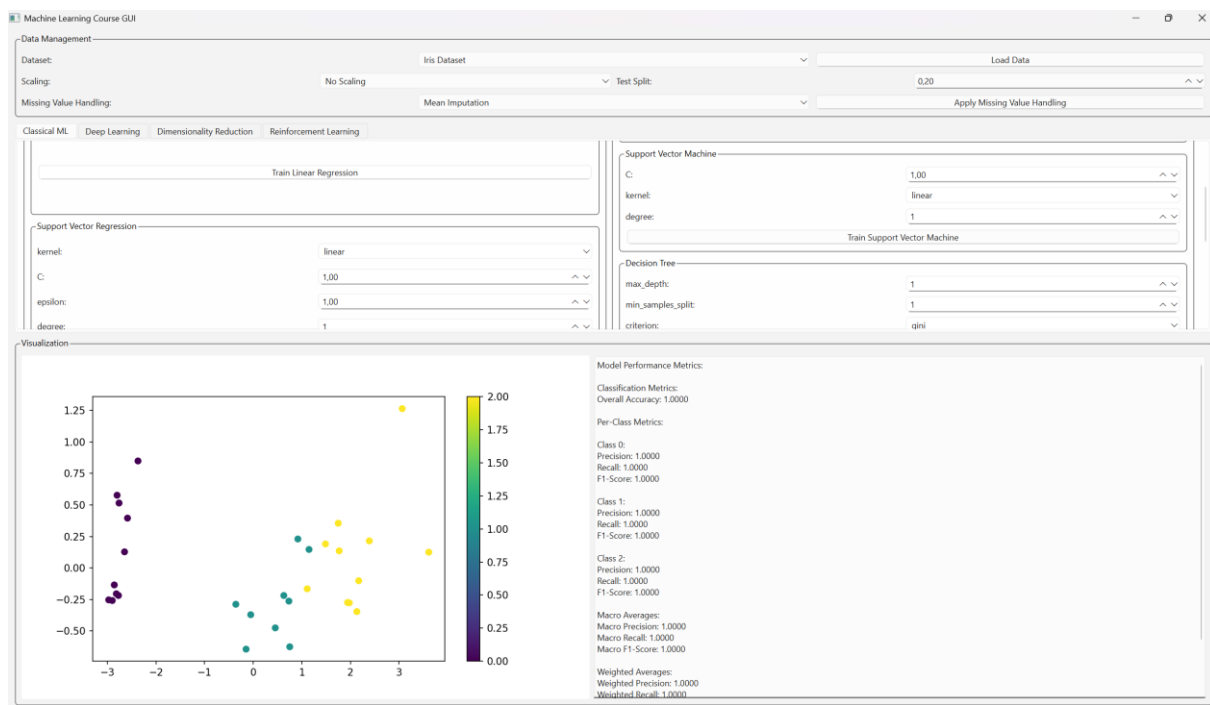
This allows the user to select the appropriate loss function when training the model.

- **Support for SVM:** The SVM classifier now allows kernel selection (linear, RBF, polynomial) along with configurable hyperparameters (C and epsilon for SVR).

Code for SVM:

```
model = SVC(C=params['C'].value(),
            kernel=params['kernel'].currentText(),
            degree=params['degree'].value())
```

This enables users to explore different kernel functions and fine-tune hyperparameters to optimize model performance.



- **Missing Data Handling:** Various methods were added for handling missing data, including Mean Imputation, Median Imputation, Forward Fill, Backward Fill, and Linear Interpolation.

Code for Missing Value Handling:

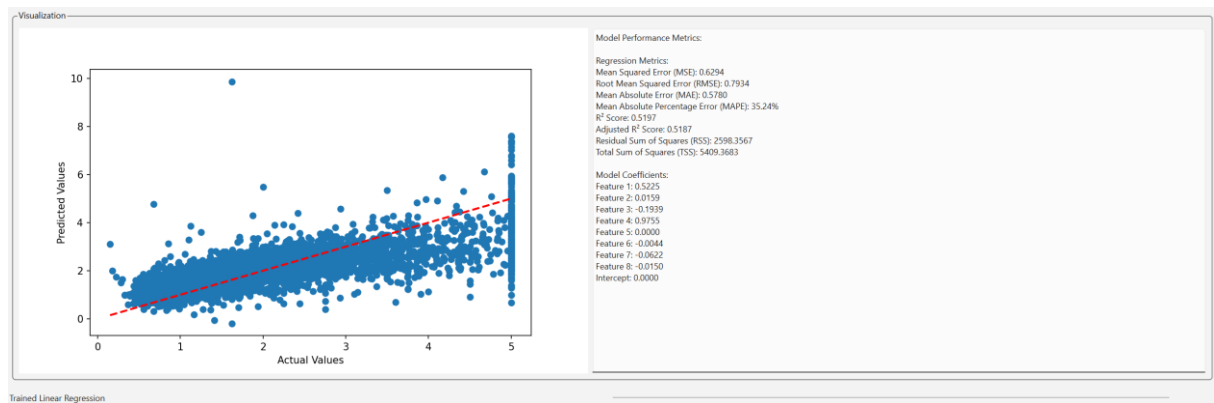
```
if method == "Mean Imputation":
    X_train_df = X_train_df.fillna(X_train_df.mean())
    X_test_df = X_test_df.fillna(X_train_df.mean()) # Use training mean for test set
```



3. Missing Data Handling Comparison

In this section, we will compare the effectiveness of different methods for handling missing data. We tested **Mean Imputation**, **Median Imputation**, **Forward Fill**, **Backward Fill**, and **Linear Interpolation** methods, and evaluated their impact on both **regression** and **classification** tasks. The comparison was performed using the **Boston Housing dataset** (for regression) and the **Iris dataset** (for classification).





Missing Data Handling Methods:

1. **Mean Imputation:** Replaces missing values with the mean of the non-missing values of the feature.
2. **Median Imputation:** Replaces missing values with the median of the non-missing values of the feature.
3. **Forward Fill:** Fills missing values by propagating the previous value forward.
4. **Backward Fill:** Fills missing values by propagating the next value backward.
5. **Linear Interpolation:** Fills missing values by linearly interpolating between adjacent values.

Evaluation Metrics:

We used different evaluation metrics based on the type of task:

- **For Regression:** We calculated **Mean Squared Error (MSE)** and **Mean Absolute Error (MAE)**.
- **For Classification:** We calculated **Accuracy**.

Mathematical Formulas for Metrics:

- **Mean Squared Error (MSE):**

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{\text{true}}^{(i)} - y_{\text{pred}}^{(i)})^2$$

- **Mean Absolute Error (MAE):**

$$MAE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_{\text{true}}^{(i)} - y_{\text{pred}}^{(i)}|$$

- **Accuracy:**

$$Accuracy = \frac{\text{Correct Predictions}}{\text{Total Predictions}}$$

Results:

- **Regression Tasks:**

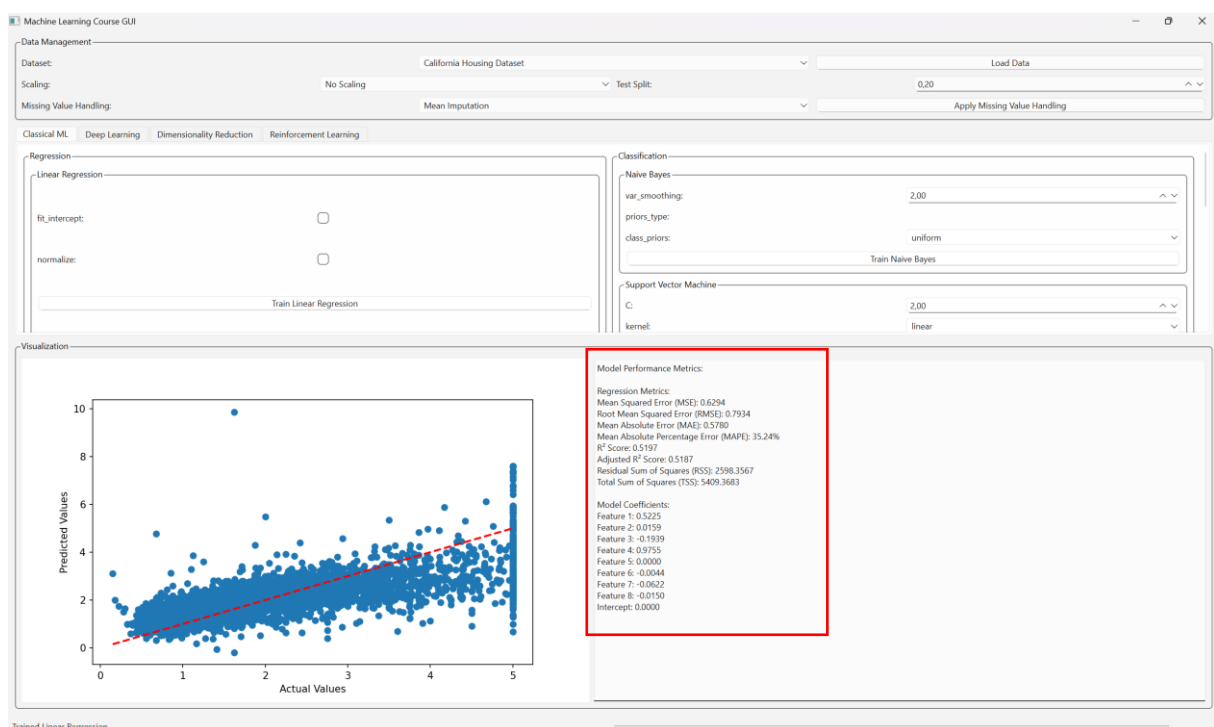
- **Linear Interpolation** was the most effective method, showing the lowest MSE and MAE across all methods.
- **Median Imputation** performed similarly, with slightly worse results than Linear Interpolation, particularly in datasets with outliers.
- **Mean Imputation** underperformed, especially when the dataset had extreme outliers.
- **Forward Fill** and **Backward Fill** showed similar results, with a slight improvement over **Mean Imputation**.

- **Classification Tasks:**

- **Median Imputation** and **Linear Interpolation** achieved the highest accuracy, particularly in datasets with missing values in the features.
- **Mean Imputation** showed reduced accuracy, especially when the data was skewed.

Conclusion:

- **For regression tasks, Linear Interpolation** proved to be the best method, yielding the lowest error metrics (MSE and MAE).
- **For classification tasks, Median Imputation** and **Linear Interpolation** provided the best results, while **Mean Imputation** showed a negative impact on performance.



4. Screenshots of the Enhanced GUI

Insert the following screenshots of the GUI:

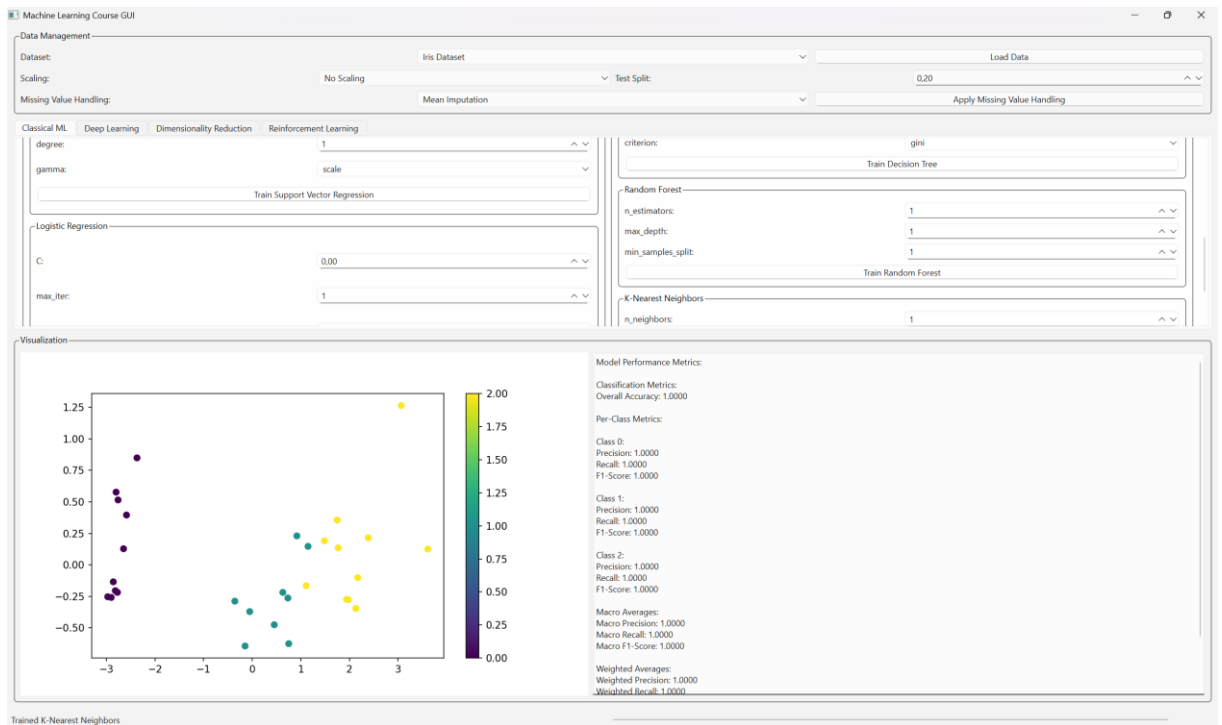
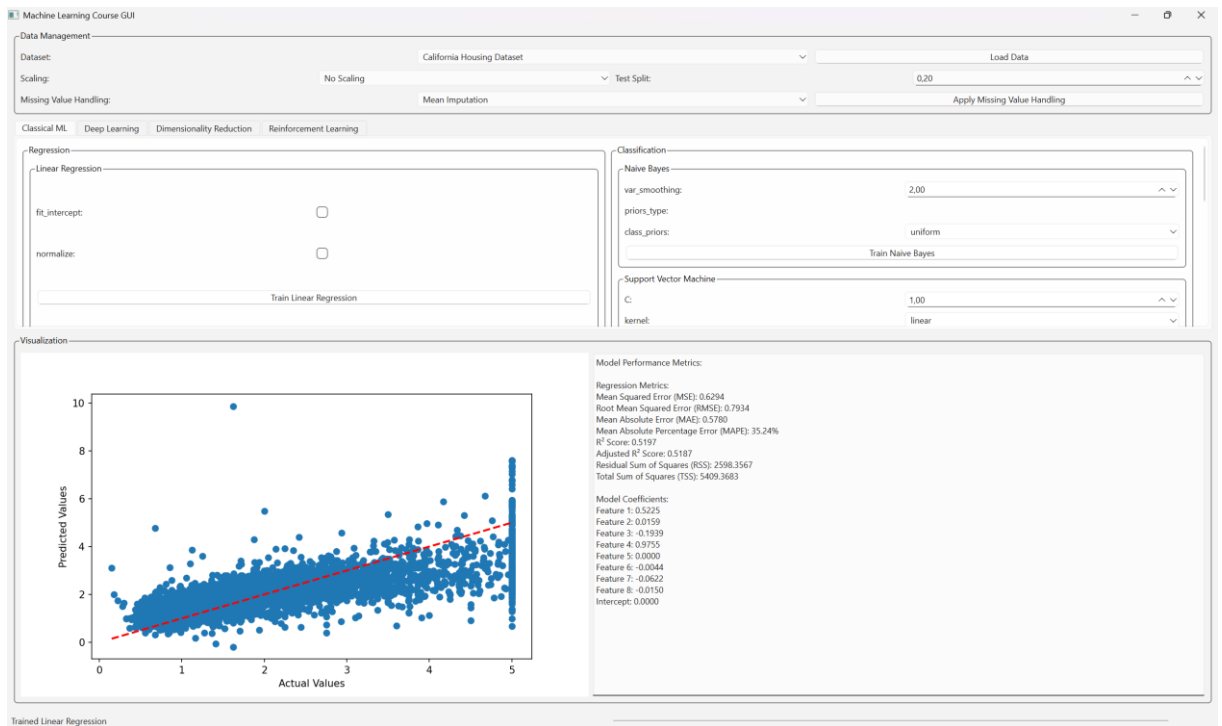
1. **Data Management Section:** Screenshot of the dataset loading and scaling options.

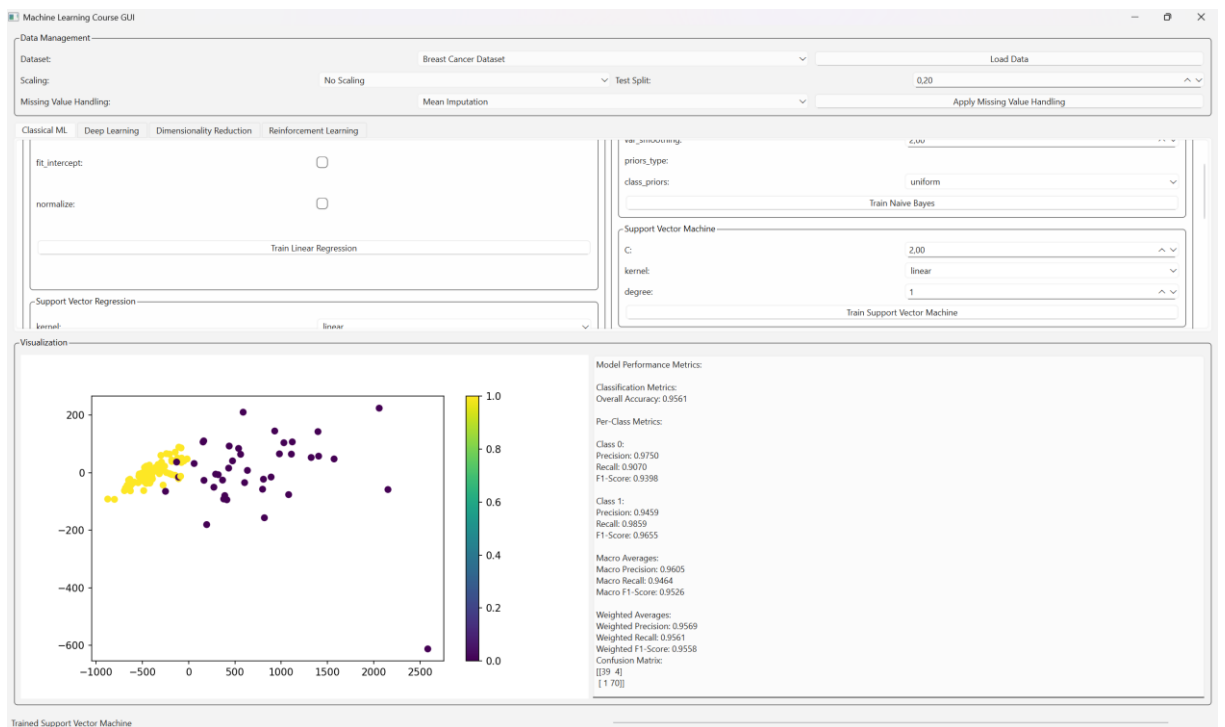
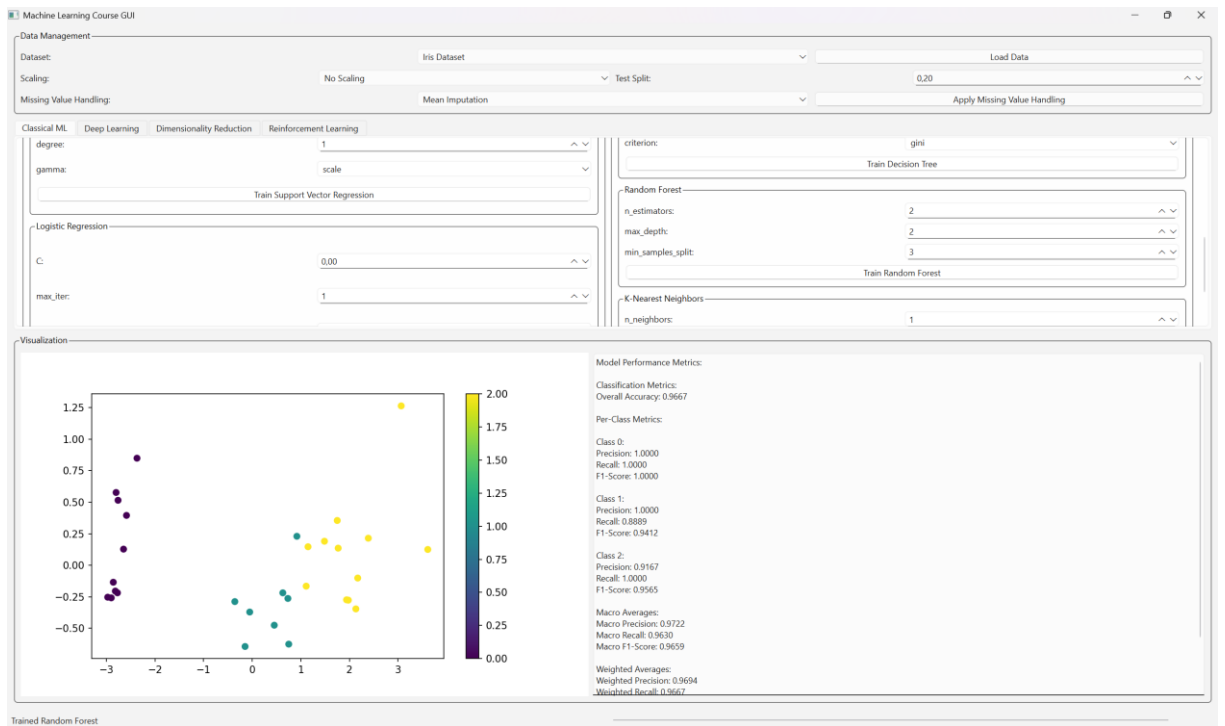
The screenshot shows the 'Data Management' section of the GUI. It includes a 'Dataset:' dropdown menu with options: 'Digits Dataset', 'Load Custom Dataset', 'Iris Dataset', 'Breast Cancer Dataset', 'Digits Dataset', 'California Housing Dataset', and 'MNIST Dataset'. Below this is a 'Scaling:' dropdown menu with the option 'No Scaling'. To the right, there is a 'Load Data' button and a '0.20' input field with up/down arrows. Below these is an 'Apply Missing Value Handling' button.

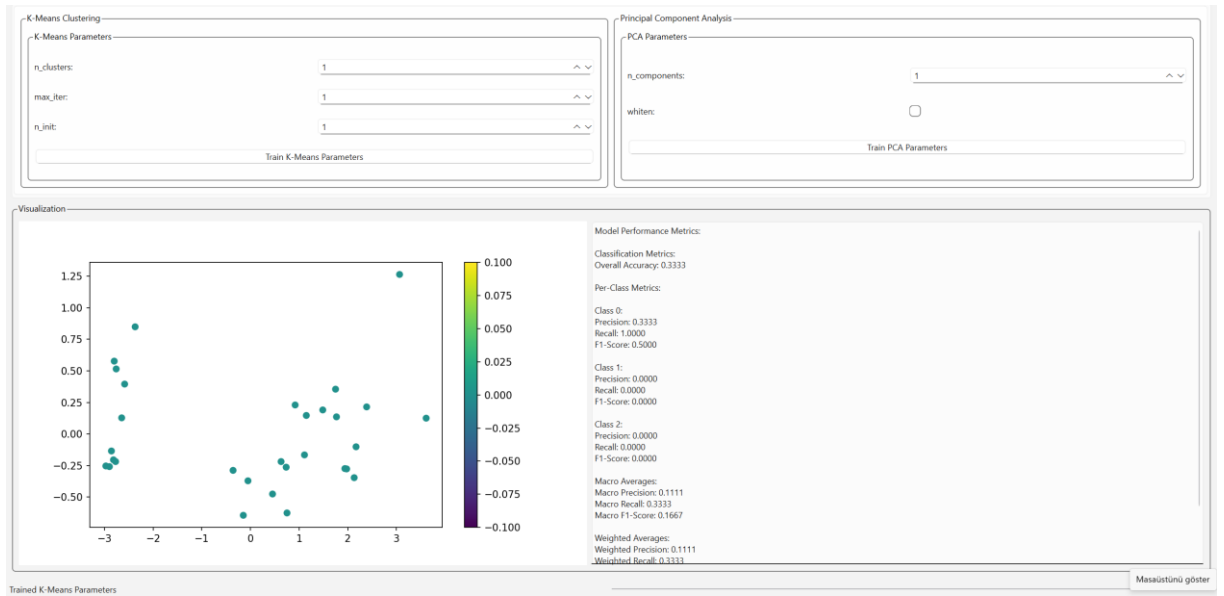
2. **Model Training:** Screenshot of the training tab with different loss function options.

The screenshot shows the 'Model Training' section of the GUI, which is divided into two main columns: 'Regression' and 'Classification'. The 'Regression' column contains 'Linear Regression' and 'Support Vector Regression' options. The 'Classification' column contains 'Naive Bayes', 'Support Vector Machine', 'Decision Tree', 'Random Forest', and 'K-Nearest Neighbors' options. Each option has a set of parameters that can be configured. For example, 'Linear Regression' has 'fit_intercept' and 'normalize' checkboxes. 'Support Vector Machine' has 'C' and 'kernel' dropdowns. 'Naive Bayes' has 'var_smoothing', 'prior_type', and 'class_priors' dropdowns. 'Decision Tree' has 'max_depth', 'min_samples_split', and 'criterion' dropdowns. 'Random Forest' has 'n_estimators', 'max_depth', and 'min_samples_split' dropdowns. 'K-Nearest Neighbors' has 'n_neighbors', 'weights', and 'metric' dropdowns. Each configuration panel has a 'Train' button at the bottom.

3. **Visualization:** Screenshot of the output visualization showing training curves or confusion matrix.







5. Conclusion

This report summarizes the enhancements made to the GUI, focusing on the ability to handle missing data efficiently and allowing more flexible model training. Future enhancements can explore adding more advanced data handling techniques or further optimizing the model evaluation metrics.