

Comprehensive Machine Learning Full Pipeline on Heart Disease UCI Dataset

1. General Description of the Task:

This project aims to **analyze, predict, and visualize heart disease risks** using machine learning. The workflow involves **data preprocessing, feature selection, dimensionality reduction (PCA), model training, evaluation, and deployment**. Classification models like **Logistic Regression, Decision Trees, Random Forest, and SVM** will be used, alongside **K-Means and Hierarchical Clustering** for unsupervised learning. Additionally, a **Streamlit UI** will be built for user interaction, deployed via **Ngrok**, and the project will be hosted on **GitHub**.

1.1 Objectives:

- **Perform Data Preprocessing & Cleaning** (handle missing values, encoding, scaling).
- **Apply Dimensionality Reduction (PCA)** to retain essential features.
- **Implement Feature Selection** using statistical methods and ML-based techniques.
- **Train Supervised Learning Models** (Logistic Regression, Decision Trees, Random Forest, SVM) for classification.
- **Apply Unsupervised Learning** (K-Means, Hierarchical Clustering) for pattern discovery.
- **Optimize Models** using Hyperparameter Tuning (GridSearchCV, RandomizedSearchCV).
- **Deploy a Streamlit UI** for real-time user interaction. **[Bonus]**
- **Host the application using Ngrok [Bonus]** and **upload the project to GitHub** for accessibility.

1.2 Tools to be Used:

- **Programming Languages:** Python
 - **Libraries:** Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Seaborn, TensorFlow/Keras (optional)
 - **Dimensionality Reduction & Feature Selection:** PCA, RFE, Chi-Square Test
 - **Supervised Models:** Logistic Regression, Decision Trees, Random Forest, SVM
 - **Unsupervised Models:** K-Means, Hierarchical Clustering
 - **Model Optimization:** GridSearchCV, RandomizedSearchCV
 - **Deployment Tools:** Streamlit **[Bonus]**, Ngrok **[Bonus]**, GitHub
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2. Requirements & Steps

2.1 Data Preprocessing & Cleaning

Steps:

1. Load the **Heart Disease UCI dataset** into a Pandas DataFrame.
2. Handle **missing values** (imputation or removal).
3. Perform **data encoding** (one-hot encoding for categorical variables).
4. Standardize numerical features using **MinMaxScaler** or **StandardScaler**.
5. Conduct **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)** with **histograms, correlation heatmaps, and boxplots**.

Deliverable:

- ✓ Cleaned dataset ready for modeling
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2.2 Dimensionality Reduction - PCA (Principal Component Analysis)

Steps:

1. Apply **PCA** to reduce feature dimensionality while maintaining variance.
2. Determine the **optimal number of principal components** using the explained variance ratio.
3. Visualize PCA results using a **scatter plot** and **cumulative variance plot**.
not applicable IRL

Deliverable:

- ✓ PCA-transformed dataset
 - ✓ Graph showing variance retained per component
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2.3 Feature Selection

Steps:

1. Use **Feature Importance (Random Forest / XGBoost feature importance scores)** to rank variables.
2. Apply **Recursive Feature Elimination (RFE)** to select the best predictors.
3. Use **Chi-Square Test** to check feature significance. not applicable in our case
4. Select only the most relevant features for modeling.

Deliverable:

- ✓ Reduced dataset with selected key features
 - ✓ Feature importance ranking visualization
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2.4 Supervised Learning - Classification Models

Steps:

1. Split the dataset into **training (80%)** and **testing (20%)** sets.
2. Train the following models:
 - Logistic Regression
 - Decision Tree
 - Random Forest
 - Support Vector Machine (SVM)
3. Evaluate models using:
 - Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-score
 - ROC Curve & AUC Score

Deliverable:

- ✓ Trained models with performance metrics
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2.5 Unsupervised Learning - Clustering

Steps:

1. Apply **K-Means Clustering** (elbow method to determine K).
2. Perform **Hierarchical Clustering** (dendrogram analysis).
3. Compare clusters with actual disease labels.

Deliverable:

- ✓ Clustering models with visualized results
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2.6 Hyperparameter Tuning

Steps:

1. Use **GridSearchCV** & **RandomizedSearchCV** to optimize model hyperparameters.
2. Compare optimized models with baseline performance.

Deliverable:

- ✓ Best performing model with optimized hyperparameters
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2.7 Model Export & Deployment

Steps:

1. Save the trained model using **joblib or pickle (.pkl format)**.
2. Ensure reproducibility by saving **model pipeline** (preprocessing + model).

Deliverable:

- ✓ Model exported as **.pkl** file
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2.8 Streamlit Web UI Development [Bonus]

Steps:

1. Create a **Streamlit UI** to allow users to input health data.
2. Provide **real-time prediction output** based on user inputs.
3. Add **data visualization** for users to explore heart disease trends.

Deliverable:

- ✓ Functional **Streamlit UI** for user interaction
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2.9 Deployment using Ngrok [Bonus]

Steps:

1. Deploy the **Streamlit app** locally.
2. Use **Ngrok** to create a public access link.
3. Share the **Ngrok link** for live access to the web application.

Didn't use Ngrok, but used streamlit community app instead

Deliverable:

- ✓ Publicly accessible Streamlit app via **Ngrok link**
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2.10 Upload the Project to GitHub

Steps:

1. Create a **GitHub repository** for the project.
2. Push the following files:
 - Data preprocessing scripts
 - Trained models in **.pkl** format
 - Notebook files for each step
 - Streamlit UI source code
 - README file with instructions
3. Add **requirements.txt** for easy environment setup.
4. Include **deployment steps for Ngrok** in documentation.

Deliverable:

- ✓ GitHub repository with **all project files and documentation**
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3. Final Deliverables

- ✓ **Cleaned dataset with selected features**
 - ✓ **Dimensionality reduction (PCA) results**
 - ✓ **Trained supervised and unsupervised models**
 - ✓ **Performance evaluation metrics**
 - ✓ **Hyperparameter optimized model**
 - ✓ **Saved model in .pkl format**
 - ✓ **GitHub repository with all source code**
 - ✓ **Streamlit UI for real-time predictions [Bonus]**
 - ✓ **Ngrok link to access the live app [Bonus]**
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4. File Structure

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Heart_Disease_Project/  
├── data/  
│   ├── heart_disease.csv  
├── notebooks/  
│   ├── 01_data_preprocessing.ipynb  
│   ├── 02_pca_analysis.ipynb  
│   ├── 03_feature_selection.ipynb  
│   ├── 04_supervised_learning.ipynb  
│   ├── 05_unsupervised_learning.ipynb  
│   ├── 06_hyperparameter_tuning.ipynb  
├── models/  
│   ├── final_model.pkl  
├── ui/  
│   ├── app.py (Streamlit UI)  
├── deployment/  
│   ├── ngrok_setup.txt  
├── results/  
│   ├── evaluation_metrics.txt  
├── README.md  
├── requirements.txt  
└── .gitignore
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5. Dataset Link

 [Heart Disease UCI Dataset](#)