

The “story” of your project

This notebook is trying to be more than a normal Kaggle-style model. It's built like a **full ML product demo**:

1. **Get the dataset** (even auto-download if missing)
 2. **Clean + validate** it (schema checks + anomaly handling + outlier removal)
 3. **Explore it visually** (EDA plots + optional profiling report)
 4. **Engineer features** that capture chemistry relationships
 5. **Train multiple strong tabular models** (XGBoost, LightGBM, CatBoost)
 6. **Combine them with stacking** for better performance
 7. Add a **neural network tuned with Optuna** (as an additional modeling track)
 8. Provide **explainability (SHAP)** and “future” explainability ideas (counterfactuals / sensitivity)
 9. Show **MLOps readiness** (save model, FastAPI API wrapper, request logging)
 10. End with a **big dashboard of plots** to interpret performance and behavior
 11. Sprinkle in an **experimental quantum-ML placeholder** (Qiskit) to show extensibility
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Aim (what this project is trying to achieve)

Primary aim:

Predict **wine quality score** (a regression target: typically 3–9) from physicochemical features (acidity, sulphates, alcohol, SO₂, etc.) and do it in an **explainable and deployable** way.

Secondary aims:

- Improve performance using **feature engineering + ensembles**
 - Provide **interpretability** (what drives predictions)
 - Show **production pathway** (saved model + API)
 - Provide a “portfolio-worthy” end-to-end workflow
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Technologies used (what you actually used)

Core data + plotting

- **Python, NumPy, Pandas**
- **Matplotlib, Seaborn**
- **Plotly Express** (interactive 3D visualizations)

Machine Learning (tabular)

- **Scikit-learn**: train/test split, pipelines, metrics, stacking, permutation importance, partial dependence utilities
- **XGBoost**
- **LightGBM**
- **CatBoost**
- **HistGradientBoostingRegressor** (meta-learner for stacking)

Deep Learning + tuning

- **TensorFlow / Keras** (neural network model)
- **Optuna** (hyperparameter tuning / architecture search)

Explainability / XAI

- **SHAP** (global explanations)
- **Permutation Importance** (model-agnostic feature importance)
- (Attempted placeholder) **DiCE** (counterfactuals)
- (Attempted placeholder) **SALib** (sensitivity analysis)

MLOps / Deployment

- **Joblib** (saving/loading model)
- **FastAPI + Uvicorn** (serving a `/predict` endpoint)
- A monitoring dictionary for simple request logging (basic observability)

Experimental (not integrated)

- **Qiskit / qiskit-machine-learning** (placeholder; not installed so it didn't run)

What was expected vs what was actually obtained

What was expected (based on design)

- A clean dataset with fewer anomalies/outliers
- Better predictive performance via:
 - engineered features (ratios/interactions)
 - stacking ensemble (XGB+LGBM+CatBoost → meta-model)
- A tuned neural net that's competitive
- A usable explainability view (SHAP summary)

- A “deployable” model saved to disk + FastAPI app scaffold
- A dashboard of plots to validate model behavior

What you actually obtained (based on outputs we saw)

Performance (ensemble)

You printed:

- **MSE ≈ 0.418**
- **MAE ≈ 0.468**
- **R² ≈ 0.442**

Interpretation:

- On average, your prediction is off by **~0.47 quality points**.
- Your model explains **~44%** of the variability in ratings.
(Wine “quality” is subjective + noisy, so perfect R² is unrealistic; this is a reasonable mid-range result.)

Explainability

- SHAP global explanation **did run** and produced the summary plot.
- But it used **KernelExplainer** on a stacking model, which is:
 - slow, approximate (`nsamples=100`)
 - triggers LightGBM warnings due to many sliced NumPy calls
Still: you did get a meaningful “top drivers” view.

Neural network tuning/training

- Optuna trials ran and returned losses.
- But your final NN training had a key issue:
 - EarlyStopping watched `val_loss`, but **no validation data was provided**, so `val_loss` **didn't exist**.
 - That's exactly why your final dashboard printed: **Training history not available: 'val_loss'**
So the NN track is **partially successful** (tuning infrastructure exists), but execution is inconsistent.

Counterfactuals + sensitivity

- Present as concepts, but **not production-working** (placeholders / mismatched assumptions).
- Also, installing **dice-ml** and **SALib** caused **pandas version conflicts**, so that area is shaky.

Deployment

- You successfully:
 - saved the model: `wine_quality_ensemble.pkl`
 - created a FastAPI app scaffold
 - printed unicorn instructionsSo the “deployment story” is **functionally demonstrated**, even if cloud deploy is placeholder.
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What do the “last images” (dashboard plots) signify?

Those plots are basically answering 5 big questions:

1. **Is the data healthy?**
 - Histograms + boxplots show skew, outliers, weird distributions.
2. **Are features related / redundant?**
 - Correlation heatmap + network graph show multicollinearity clusters.
3. **Do features separate quality in a meaningful way?**
 - Scatter plots (alcohol vs quality, engineered features vs quality), jointplots, 3D plots show whether higher quality tends to occupy different regions.
4. **Is the model behaving sensibly?**
 - Actual vs predicted plot shows calibration.
 - Residual histogram checks bias.
 - Residuals vs predicted checks systematic error patterns.
5. **What features matter for the model?**
 - Permutation importance (more trustworthy, model-agnostic)
 - XGB importances (model-specific)
 - SHAP summary (global explanation with direction)

So the dashboard is your **evidence layer**: it justifies that the model is not random, and it shows where it succeeds/fails.

Was the goal accomplished?

Yes — the core goal was accomplished:

 You built a full pipeline that:

- loads + cleans data,

- engineers features,
- trains a strong ensemble,
- evaluates it,
- explains it globally (SHAP + importance),
- saves the model,
- provides an API scaffold.

But some “advanced” goals were only partially accomplished:

- ⚠ Neural network training is inconsistent (missing validation → no `val_loss`)
- ⚠ Counterfactual + sensitivity are not robust/working implementations
- ⚠ dice-ml + SALib installs create dependency conflicts
- ⚠ Quantum part is a placeholder and didn't run

Bottom line

If your portfolio claim is:

“End-to-end wine quality regression with stacked ensemble + explainability + deployable API scaffold”

→ **Yes, you delivered that.**

If your claim is:

“Production-grade XAI with counterfactuals + sensitivity + tuned NN + quantum extension”

→ It's more accurate to say: **prototype/experimental components included, not fully integrated.**

Cell 1

Code

```
!pip install seaborn
```

What this is / why it's written

- This is a **Jupyter “shell command”** (the `!` means “run this in the system shell, not Python”).
- `seaborn` is a **visualization library** built on Matplotlib that makes plots prettier and easier (themes, palettes, nicer defaults).
- Your project later uses `import seaborn as sns`, so this cell ensures it's installed.

Output (what it means)

Your output says “**Requirement already satisfied**”, meaning:

- `seaborn` was **already installed** in the environment.
 - It also lists dependencies like `numpy`, `pandas`, `matplotlib` — those are libraries `seaborn` relies on.
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Cell 2

Code

```
!pip install CatBoost
```

What this is / why it's written

- Installs **CatBoost**, which is a gradient boosting library (like XGBoost/LightGBM) developed by Yandex.
- In wine-quality prediction projects, CatBoost is often included because:
 - it performs very well on tabular data,
 - it has strong default behavior,
 - it supports categorical features well (not super relevant for classic wine dataset, but still a solid model).

Output (what it means)

- It shows `Collecting CatBoost` and downloads a wheel for Python 3.11 (`cp311`).
 - This indicates the environment **didn't already have CatBoost**, so pip fetched and installed it.
 - It also lists required packages (like `matplotlib`, `numpy`, etc.).
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Cell 3

Code

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```

Cell 4 — “Environment Configuration”

Code

```
import sys
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import plotly.express as px
from pathlib import Path

from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.preprocessing import RobustScaler, PowerTransformer, KBinsDiscretizer
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, StratifiedKFold, cross_val_score
from sklearn.ensemble import StackingRegressor, HistGradientBoostingRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, mean_absolute_error, r2_score,
explained_variance_score
from sklearn.inspection import PartialDependenceDisplay, permutation_importance

import xgboost as xgb
import lightgbm as lgb
import catboost as cb
import optuna
import shap
import joblib

import tensorflow as tf
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense, Dropout, BatchNormalization
from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import Nadam
from tensorflow.keras.callbacks import EarlyStopping, LearningRateScheduler

print(f"Python: {sys.version.split()[0]}")
print(f"NumPy: {np.__version__}")
print(f"Pandas: {pd.__version__}")
print(f"XGBoost: {xgb.__version__}")
print(f"LightGBM: {lgb.__version__}")
print(f"CatBoost: {cb.__version__}")
print(f"TensorFlow: {tf.__version__}")

sns.set_theme(style="darkgrid")
sns.set_palette("husl")
pd.set_option("display.precision", 3)

np.random.seed(42)
```

```
tf.random.set_seed(42)
```

What this is / why it's written (big picture)

This cell sets up the whole ML environment:

1. **Imports everything** needed for:
 - data handling (`numpy`, `pandas`)
 - plotting (`matplotlib`, `seaborn`, `plotly`)
 - ML preprocessing + pipelines (`sklearn`)
 - models (`xgboost`, `lightgbm`, `catboost`, neural nets via `tensorflow`)
 - explainability (`shap`, partial dependence, permutation importance)
 - hyperparameter tuning (`optuna`)
 - saving/loading models (`joblib`)
2. **Prints version numbers** to make the notebook reproducible.
3. **Sets plotting style** so all charts look consistent.
4. **Fixes random seeds** so results are more repeatable.

Line-by-line meaning (important parts)

- **ColumnTransformer + Pipeline**: lets you build a clean “preprocess → model” workflow without leaking test info.
- **RobustScaler**: scaling that’s less sensitive to outliers than StandardScaler.
- **PowerTransformer**: helps make skewed numeric features more Gaussian-like.
- **KBinsDiscretizer**: turns continuous values into bins (sometimes helps certain models or feature engineering).
- **train_test_split**: creates train/test sets.
- **StratifiedKFold**: **usually classification-focused** (keeps label distribution similar in each fold). Using it for regression is unusual unless you first bin the target (your notebook imported `KBinsDiscretizer`, so you *might* be doing that later).
- **StackingRegressor**: ensemble that combines multiple models and learns how to blend them.
- Metrics:
 - **MSE** / **MAE**: error size
 - **R²**: explained variance relative to baseline
 - **explained_variance_score**: similar idea to R², but slightly different treatment of bias
- **optuna**: automated hyperparameter search.
- **shap**: feature contribution explanations.
- TensorFlow imports: for a neural network baseline or additional model in the ensemble.

Output (what it means)

Your notebook printed:

- Python: **3.11.11**
- NumPy: **1.26.4**
- Pandas: **2.2.2**
- XGBoost: **2.1.4**
- LightGBM: **4.5.0**
- CatBoost: **1.2.7**
- TensorFlow: **2.18.0**

Why this matters:

- These versions affect behavior and results. For example, LightGBM/XGBoost have breaking changes between major versions.
- If someone runs your notebook later and gets different results, checking versions is the first debugging step.

Visual settings meaning

- `sns.set_theme(style="darkgrid")`: gives consistent background + grid for plots.
- `sns.set_palette("husl")`: sets a colorful palette for multi-series plots.
- `pd.set_option("display.precision", 3)`: pandas prints floats like **3.142** instead of long decimals.

Seeds meaning

- `np.random.seed(42)` and `tf.random.set_seed(42)` reduce randomness.
 - You still may see some variation (GPU ops, multithreading, some algorithms aren't perfectly deterministic), but it helps a lot.
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Cell 5

Code

```
!pip install shap  
!pip install dice-ml  
!pip install Optuna
```

What this is / why it's written

- Ensures these libraries exist:
 - **SHAP**: model explainability (“how much did each feature contribute to this prediction?”)
 - **dice-ml**: counterfactual explanations (“what minimal changes would flip the prediction?”). This is more common in classification, but can be adapted.
 - **Optuna**: hyperparameter optimization (smart search over model settings)

Output (what it means)

- `shap` says “Requirement already satisfied” → already installed.
- `Optuna` shows “Collecting Optuna … Downloading …” → it likely **was not installed** and is being added now.
- (Your cell output shows installs starting; the notebook likely continues the pip logs below.)

Cell 6 — `QuantumDataLoader` (data loading + validation + “auto download” + outlier removal)

Code (what it is)

This cell defines a **class** called `QuantumDataLoader`. It’s responsible for:

1. making sure the two CSV files exist (red + white wine),
2. loading them,
3. checking ranges for each column (“schema validation”),
4. filling invalid values,
5. removing outliers using IsolationForest,
6. returning one combined dataset.

Why this was written

This is the notebook’s **data ingestion layer**. The intent is:

- “If the dataset files aren’t present locally, download them automatically.”
- “Ensure the data looks sane (values within known min/max ranges).”
- “Clean anomalies / outliers automatically.”

Key pieces (line-by-line meaning)

1) `SCHEMA = { ... }`

A dictionary mapping **column name** → **(min, max)** for expected values, e.g.

- "fixed acidity": (4.6, 15.9)
- "alcohol": (8.4, 14.9)
- "quality": (3, 9)

These ranges are essentially “reasonable bounds” for this dataset.

2) `__init__(self, red_path, white_path)`

- Stores the file paths as `Path` objects.
- Calls `_validate_paths()` immediately.
- Creates `self.anomalies = []` to store any rows that violate the schema ranges.

3) `_validate_paths()`

If files are missing, it downloads from UCI:

- `winequality-red.csv`
- `winequality-white.csv`

It also creates the folder if needed:

```
self.red_path.parent.mkdir(parents=True, exist_ok=True)
```

Important: This needs **internet access** at runtime. If the notebook runs in an offline environment, this will fail.

4) `_validate_schema(self, df, wine_type)`

Purpose: detect values outside your schema ranges.

What it does:

- Adds `valid_df["wine_type"] = wine_type` so later you can distinguish red vs white.
- For each feature column (except `quality`):

Finds out-of-range values with:

```
mask = (df[col] < min_val) | (df[col] > max_val)
```

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- If any are found:
 - Stores those bad rows into `self.anomalies`
 - Replaces the invalid cell values with `NaN`

After that:

```
valid_df = valid_df.interpolate(method="linear")
```

- This fills NaNs by **linear interpolation down the rows**.

Reality check: linear interpolation across dataset rows is usually not the “best” way for tabular ML (rows aren’t time-ordered). It *does* fill missing values, but the imputed values aren’t guaranteed meaningful.

5) `_ai_correct(self, df)`

Despite the docstring saying “data correction”, it actually does **outlier detection + filtering**:

- Fits `IsolationForest(contamination=0.01)` on numeric columns.
- `fit_predict` returns:
 - 1 for inliers
 - -1 for outliers

Returns only inliers:

```
return df[anomalies == 1]
```

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So it **drops ~1%** of rows (by design).

6) `load(self, wine_type="both")`

- Reads red/white CSVs (semicolon delimiter).
- Validates each with `_validate_schema`.
- Combines them via `pd.concat`.
- Removes outliers via `_ai_correct`.
- Returns final cleaned combined dataframe.

Output (what it means)

This cell has **no output** because it only **defines a class**.

Nothing runs until later when you actually instantiate and call:

```
loader = QuantumDataLoader(...)  
df = loader.load()
```

Cell 7 — `quantum_eda(df)` (EDA function: 3D plot + profiling + distribution plot)

Code (what it is)

Defines a function `quantum_eda(df)` that does exploratory analysis in 3 parts:

1. **3D interactive scatter plot** (Plotly)
2. **Automated profiling report** (if `pandas_profiling` exists)
3. **Quality distribution line plot** by wine type (Seaborn/Matplotlib)

Why it was written

This is the notebook's **EDA module** to visually and statistically inspect:

- how features relate to quality,
- how quality distributions differ for red vs white,
- and optionally generate an HTML profiling report.

What each part means

1) Plotly 3D scatter

```
px.scatter_3d(df, x="alcohol", y="volatile acidity", z="sulphates",
              color="quality", symbol="wine_type")
```

This tries to show a “quality space” where:

- higher alcohol often correlates with higher quality,
- volatile acidity often correlates negatively (too high VA can be bad),
- sulphates can relate to preservation/structure and quality.

Coloring by `quality` helps you see clusters/gradients.

2) Pandas profiling report

```
from pandas_profiling import ProfileReport
profile.to_file("wine_quality_report.html")
```

If installed, this produces a full HTML report:

- missing values,
- distributions,
- correlations,

- warnings (skew, duplicates, etc.)

If not installed, it prints:

"pandas_profiling is not installed. Skipping automated report."

3) Quality distribution line plot

It groups counts by (`quality`, `wine_type`) and plots the frequency.

This answers: **Do reds and whites have different quality score distributions?**

Output (what it means)

This cell also has **no output now** because it only defines a function.

Plots appear only when you call:

```
quantum_eda(df)
```

Cell 8 — FeatureEngine (feature engineering: ratios, interactions, decay, bins)

Code (what it is)

Defines a class `FeatureEngine` with a method `evolve_features(df)` that creates new engineered features.

Why it was written

Raw physicochemical variables are good, but engineered combinations can help models capture:

- interactions (feature × feature),
- ratios (balance measures),
- nonlinear transforms (exp decay),
- discretized versions (bins).

This is especially helpful for tree ensembles and stacking.

Engineered features (what each one means)

1. `acid_balance`

`citric acid / (volatile acidity + 1e-6)`

- A ratio representing acid structure balance.
 - `1e-6` prevents division-by-zero.
2. **sulfur_ratio**

`free SO2 / (total SO2 + 1e-6)`

- How much of sulfur dioxide is “free” vs bound.
 - Can relate to preservation and perceived freshness.
3. **alcohol_pressure**

`alcohol * density`

- Interaction term combining strength + density.
4. **sulfur_decay**

`exp(-free SO2 / 10)`

- Nonlinear transform: higher free SO2 → smaller value.
 - “Decay” naming is stylistic; mathematically it compresses large values.
5. **age_potential**

`alcohol * sulphates * chlorides`

- Interaction term; not literally “age potential” scientifically, but it’s trying to represent a combined “structure/preservation” proxy.
6. **alcohol_class**

`KBinsDiscretizer(..., strategy="quantile")`

- Converts alcohol into **5 quantile-based bins** (0–4).
- Gives models a coarse categorical signal of alcohol level.

Finally it returns only:

`engineered_features + [quality, wine_type]`

Output

No output here either: it defines the class.
It produces a dataframe only when you do:

```
fe = FeatureEngine()  
df_fe = fe.evolve_features(df)
```

Cell 9 — Optuna Neural Architecture Search (create NN model + objective)

Code (what it is)

Defines:

- `create_hypermodel(trial, input_shape)` → builds a Keras model whose architecture is chosen by Optuna
- `objective(trial)` → trains that model and returns a validation loss

Why it was written

This is a **hyperparameter tuning setup** for a neural network:

- number of layers,
- units per layer,
- dropout rates,
- learning rate,
- batch size.

Optuna tries many combinations and finds what works best.

Detailed meaning

`create_hypermodel`

- Adds an explicit Input layer:

```
model.add(tf.keras.Input(shape=(input_shape,)))
```

Good practice: avoids shape warnings.

- Chooses first layer width:

```
input_units = trial.suggest_int("input_units", 128, 512, step=64)
```

- Chooses number of hidden layers:

```
n_layers = trial.suggest_int("n_layers", 2, 5)
```

- For each hidden layer:
 - units between 64–256 step 32
 - activation "swish" (often strong for deep nets)
 - BatchNorm (stabilizes training)
 - Dropout 0.2–0.5 (regularization)
- Output layer:

```
Dense(1, activation="linear")
```

Because this is **regression** (predict quality score).

- Loss:

```
tf.keras.losses.Huber()
```

Huber is robust: behaves like MSE near 0 error, and more like MAE for large errors (less sensitive to outliers).

objective(trial)

- Uses global variables `X_train` and `y_train`:

```
input_shape=X_train.shape[1]
```

This means: **this cell assumes X_train/y_train are created earlier/later in the notebook** before Optuna runs.

- Trains with early stopping:

```
EarlyStopping(patience=10, restore_best_weights=True)
```

Stops if validation doesn't improve for 10 epochs and restores best weights.

- Returns:

```
history.history["val_loss"][-1]
```

Important detail: This returns the **last** validation loss, not the **best** validation loss.
Even with early stopping, `[-1]` is typically okay, but more correct would be something like
`min(history.history["val_loss"])`.

Output

No output here (still only definitions). Running Optuna later triggers training logs internally (though `verbose=0` hides them).

Cell 10 — `create_model_nebula()` (stacking ensemble: XGB + LGBM + CatBoost → meta-model)

Code (what it is)

Defines a function that constructs an **ensemble**:

Base models

- XGBoost Regressor
- LightGBM Regressor
- CatBoost Regressor

Meta model

- `HistGradientBoostingRegressor`

Then stacks them using:

```
StackingRegressor(..., cv=5)
```

Why it was written

Stacking often improves tabular prediction by:

- letting each model learn different patterns,
- then letting a meta-model learn how to combine their predictions.

Important settings explained

XGBoost

```
tree_method="hist"  
n_estimators=2000  
learning_rate=0.05
```

- `hist` indicates CPU-friendly histogram algorithm.
- Many trees (2000) + small learning rate (0.05) is a common strong setup.

LightGBM

```
n_estimators=2000  
learning_rate=0.05  
num_leaves=31
```

- `num_leaves` controls tree complexity; 31 is a classic default-ish value.

CatBoost

```
task_type="CPU"  
silent=True  
iterations=2000  
learning_rate=0.05
```

- Explicit CPU mode.
- `silent=True` suppresses training logs.

Meta-model

`HistGradientBoostingRegressor` is fast and strong on tabular data; it blends base model predictions.

Stacking

```
cv=5  
n_jobs=-1
```

- 5-fold CV inside stacking to generate out-of-fold predictions for meta training.
- uses all CPU cores.

Output

No output: function definition only.

It creates the ensemble when called:

```
ensemble = create_model_nebula()
```

Cell 11 — XAI Portal (Explainability / XAI wrapper)

Code (what it is)

This cell defines a class:

```
class XAIPortal:  
    """Next-gen model explanation system"""  
    ...
```

It's meant to be a **single interface** for "explain my model" features:

- **Global explanations** (feature importance across many rows)
- **Counterfactual explanations** (what to change to reach a target)
- **Sensitivity analysis** (how input uncertainty affects output)

Why this was written

Your project is not just "train a model", it also tries to provide **explainable AI**:

- For a wine-quality predictor, "why did it predict 6.2?" is useful.
- SHAP is a standard choice for tabular model explanations.

Important details inside

1) `__init__`: builds a SHAP explainer

```
self.explainer = shap.Explainer(  
    self.model.predict,  
    masker=shap.maskers.Independent(background_data),  
    feature_names=self.feature_names  
)
```

- `self.model.predict`: SHAP will call your model's `predict()` function.
- `masker=shap.maskers.Independent(background_data)`:
 - A **masker** tells SHAP how to "hide" features while estimating contribution.
 - `Independent(background_data)` assumes features are independent and uses the provided background dataset as a reference.
- `feature_names=...` ensures SHAP plots label features properly.

The comment “corrected masker initialization” matters: many people mistakenly pass `feature_names` into the masker; here it’s passed correctly into `shap.Explainer`.

2) `global_explanations(self, X)`

```
shap_values = self.explainer(X)
shap.summary_plot(shap_values, X, feature_names=self.feature_names)
```

- Computes SHAP values for all rows in `X`.
- Summary plot shows:
 - **Which features matter most globally**
 - Direction effects: high feature values pushing prediction up/down.

3) `counterfactuals(self, instance, target_quality)` — marked “placeholder”

This part is **not really correct / not complete**:

```
from dice_ml import Dice
d = Dice(pd.DataFrame(instance), self.model)
cf = d.generate_counterfactuals(...)
```

Why it’s a placeholder:

- `dice-ml` typically requires a specific setup:
 - a `dice_ml.Data` object (with feature metadata)
 - a `dice_ml.Model` wrapper around the trained model
- Passing raw `pd.DataFrame(instance)` and `self.model` directly is usually not enough.
- Also: It uses `desired_class="opposite"` which is mainly classification language, not regression.

So this function is “aspirational”: it shows intent, but likely won’t run correctly without refactor.

4) `sensitivity_analysis(self, X)`

Uses SALib:

- Samples input space via Saltelli sampling
- Uses Sobol analysis to estimate sensitivity indices

BUT there’s a **big conceptual mismatch** here:

```
bounds = [[0, 1]] * len(self.feature_names)
```

```
param_values = saltelli.sample(problem, 1000, ...)  
predictions = self.model.predict(param_values)
```

Issues:

- It samples features in **[0,1]**, but your real features are not in [0,1] (alcohol ~8–15, sulphates ~0.3–2, etc.) unless you normalized them first.
- `self.model.predict(param_values)` expects columns aligned to training features; here it's just a NumPy matrix with no column mapping.

It's fine as a "template", but not production-ready.

Output

No output — this cell **defines the class only**.

Cell 12 — **WineMLOpsBridge** (Deployment + monitoring scaffold)

Code (what it is)

Defines a class that tries to connect your trained model to "production-like" usage:

- Loads model from disk (`joblib.load`)
- Provides an **async** `predict()` method
- Logs each request + prediction
- Can generate a FastAPI app

Why this was written

This is the "MLOps story" of the project:

- "I can deploy this model"
- "I can expose an API endpoint"
- "I can monitor requests / performance"

Important parts

1) Load model

```
self.model = joblib.load(model_path)
```

So the model saved earlier (likely a sklearn pipeline / stacking model) can be used later without retraining.

2) Async prediction endpoint

```
async def predict(self, input_data: dict):
    input_df = pd.DataFrame([input_data])
    prediction = self.model.predict(input_df)[0]
    self._log_request(input_data, prediction)
    return {"quality": round(prediction, 1)}
```

- Wraps the dict into a one-row DataFrame (correct for sklearn models).
- Takes `[0]` because sklearn returns an array.
- Rounds to 1 decimal to look like a “quality score”.

3) Request logging

Stores timestamp + input + output into:

```
self.monitor["requests"]
```

This is very common: you track what users send + what the system responded, for debugging & drift monitoring later.

4) FastAPI app generator

```
@app.post("/predict")
async def predict_endpoint(input_data: dict):
    return await self.predict(input_data)
```

This creates a real REST endpoint structure.

5) `deploy_cloud` is a placeholder

```
print(f"Deploying to {platform}...")
```

So it's not actually deploying, just indicating where that code would go.

Output

No output — class definition only.

Cell 13 — `!pip install --upgrade pandas` (environment change mid-notebook)

Code

```
!pip install --upgrade pandas
```

Why this was written

Probably because the notebook hit a compatibility issue and the author tried to upgrade Pandas.

Output (what it means)

You can see:

- It first says:
`Requirement already satisfied: pandas ... (1.5.3)`
- Then it downloads a newer version:
`Downloading pandas-2.2.3 ...`

Important meaning:

- You're changing a core library version **mid-notebook**, which can cause:
 - inconsistent behavior,
 - needing a kernel restart,
 - version mismatch with earlier "printed versions".

Also note: earlier your notebook printed Pandas `2.2.2`, but here it says `1.5.3` was installed before upgrade — that strongly suggests **different runtime moments / kernel states** when outputs were captured.

Cell 14 — “Execution Singularity (Main Flow)” (runs the pipeline + Optuna + NN training)

Code (what it is)

This is a “main script” style block:

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
```

```
loader = QuantumDataLoader(...)  
wine_df = loader.load()  
quantum_eda(wine_df)  
engineered_df = engine.evolve_features(wine_df)  
X = engineered_df.drop(columns=["quality", "wine_type"])  
y = engineered_df["quality"]  
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(..., stratify=y)  
study = optuna.create_study(direction="minimize")  
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)  
best_model_nn = create_hypermodel(...)  
best_model_nn.fit(... callbacks=[EarlyStopping(... val_loss ...)])
```

Why this was written

It chains your whole system:

1. load data
2. do EDA
3. create engineered features
4. split data
5. tune NN hyperparameters (Optuna)
6. train “best” NN

Outputs (what they mean)

A) FutureWarnings from pandas interpolate

You got:

```
FutureWarning: DataFrame.interpolate with object dtype is  
deprecated ...
```

This comes from **your loader's `_validate_schema`**, because it does:

```
valid_df["wine_type"] = ...  
valid_df.interpolate(...)
```

`wine_type` is an **object/string** column. Pandas warns that interpolating object dtype will be removed.

Meaning: the code still runs, but it's not ideal. A cleaner fix is to interpolate numeric columns only.

B) ['text/html']

This is from Plotly:

- Plotly renders interactive plots as HTML.
- Jupyter reports that it displayed HTML content.

C) pandas_profiling is not installed. Skipping automated report.

Your EDA function tries to import pandas_profiling. It's not installed, so it skips.

D) <Figure size 1200x600 with 1 Axes>

That's the Seaborn/Matplotlib plot returned by your EDA distribution plot.

E) Optuna logs

You see:

- Study created
- Trials finishing with values like 0.2378...
- Best trial tracked

That value is your `objective()` return: **validation loss (Huber loss)** for the trial's NN architecture.

F) Training logs (Epoch 1/200...)

This is your NN training output.

But there's a key warning:

```
Early stopping conditioned on metric val_loss which is not
available. Available metrics are: loss, mae
```

That happens because in this `best_model_nn.fit(...)` call, you did **not** provide:

- `validation_split=...` or
- `validation_data=...`

So Keras never computes `val_loss`, therefore EarlyStopping cannot work as intended.

Meaning: it will not stop early based on validation; it will just keep going until epochs end (or stop for another reason).

Cell 15 — Train & evaluate ensemble (Stacking model)

Code (what it is)

```
ensemble = create_model_nebula()
ensemble.fit(X_train, y_train)

y_pred = ensemble.predict(X_test)
mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred)
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, y_pred)
r2 = r2_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(...)
```

Output

Ensemble Model Performance: MSE=0.418, MAE=0.468, R2=0.442

What the metrics mean

- **MSE = 0.418**: average squared error. Lower is better; squared penalizes large errors more.
- **MAE = 0.468**: average absolute error \approx your predictions are off by about **0.47 quality points** on average.
- **R² = 0.442**: model explains about **44%** of the variance relative to predicting the mean.

For wine-quality (a noisy human-rated target), an MAE under ~0.5 is often a decent baseline.

Very important notebook-structure issue

This cell **begins with 4 spaces indentation**:

```
# [9.7] Train Ensemble Model ...
```

At top-level Python, that would normally raise:

IndentationError: unexpected indent

So either:

- it was originally part of the previous cell and later got split, **or**
- it was edited after running.

Cell 16 — Optimized XAIPortal + run SHAP global explanation

What the code is

This cell:

1. imports extra libraries (`torch`, `shap`, `dice_ml`, `SALib`, etc.),
2. **re-defines** a newer/“optimized” `XAIPortal` class (different from the earlier one),
3. instantiates it with your trained `ensemble`,
4. calls `xai.global_explanations(X_test)` to show a SHAP summary plot.

Why it was written

This is trying to add **explainability**:

- “Which features matter most for the ensemble’s predictions?”
- Do it in a “fast” way (reduce SHAP samples) and “use CUDA” if available.

Key logic (what each piece means)

1) CUDA / device detection

```
self.device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu")
```

...

```
print("🚀 ... CUDA!" or "⚠️ ... CPU")
```

This only affects tensors created **inside this class**.

Important: your `ensemble` is a scikit-learn stacking model (CPU). You can’t actually move it to GPU, so CUDA here mainly helps only for any torch-based computations (but you still end up calling `self.model.predict(...)` on CPU).

2) Choosing a SHAP explainer

```
if isinstance(model, RandomForestRegressor):  
    self.explainer = shap.TreeExplainer(model)  
else:
```

```
background_sample = background_data.sample(n=50, random_state=42).to_numpy()  
self.explainer = shap.KernelExplainer(model.predict, background_sample)
```

- If model is a **RandomForestRegressor**, SHAP can do fast tree explanations.
- Otherwise (your case: **StackingRegressor**), it uses **KernelExplainer**:
 - This is **model-agnostic** but **slow**, because it repeatedly calls `model.predict()` many times with masked feature combinations.
 - It samples only **50 background rows** to reduce cost.

3) Global SHAP explanation call

```
shap_values = self.explainer.shap_values(X, nsamples=100)  
shap.summary_plot(...)
```

- `nsamples=100` is a speed hack: fewer samples → faster but less stable/precise SHAP values.
- The summary plot shows:
 - **Feature importance** (top features by average |SHAP|)
 - **Direction**: whether high values push predictions up or down.

Output (what it means)

You saw 2 main things:

1. CUDA message

 XAIPortal is running on CUDA!

Meaning: the environment has a GPU visible to PyTorch.

2. A bunch of LightGBM warnings

Usage of np.ndarray subset (sliced data) is not recommended... double the peak memory cost...

This happens because SHAP's KernelExplainer calls your model with many NumPy slices. LightGBM complains because it's memory-inefficient.

3. A SHAP summary plot image

That plot is the actual “global explanation”:

- Top rows = most influential features overall
 - Color = feature value (low→high)
 - X-axis = SHAP impact on predicted quality (left lowers, right increases)
-

Cell 17 — `pip install dice-ml` and `pip install SALib` (dependency conflict)

What the code is

```
!pip install dice-ml
```

```
!pip install SALib
```

Why it was written

Because Cell 16 imports `dice_ml` and `SALib`. This cell tries to ensure they exist.

Output (what it means — and it's important)

This cell **breaks your environment consistency**:

- `dice-ml 0.11` requires:
 - `pandas < 2.0.0`
So pip **downgrades pandas** to **1.5.3**.
- Then `SALib 1.5.1` requires:
 - `pandas >= 2.0`
So pip **upgrades pandas back** to **2.2.3**.

Result: you end up with:

- `pandas 2.2.3` installed
- BUT **dice-ml now has an incompatible requirement (`pandas<2.0.0`)**

So later, `dice_ml` can become flaky or fail in subtle ways.

Takeaway: `dice-ml` + `SALib` (as installed here) are fighting over `pandas` versions.

Cell 18 — Install FastAPI + Uvicorn

What the code is

```
!pip install fastapi uvicorn
```

Why it was written

To support the “deployment” section later:

- **FastAPI**: build a `/predict` REST API
- **Uvicorn**: run the API server locally

Output meaning

It downloads and installs:

- `fastapi`
 - `uvicorn`
 - dependency `starlette`
-

Cell 19 — Repeats FastAPI + Uvicorn install (redundant)

What the code is

Same command again:

```
!pip install fastapi uvicorn
```

Output meaning

It prints `Requirement already satisfied...`

So it does nothing meaningful now.

Cell 20 — Save the ensemble model + create FastAPI app via WineMLOpsBridge

What the code is

```
joblib.dump(ensemble, "wine_quality_ensemble.pkl")  
print("Ensemble model saved...")  
  
mlops = WineMLOpsBridge("wine_quality_ensemble.pkl")  
app = mlops.create_fastapi_app()  
print("uvicorn <script_file_name>:app --reload")
```

Why it was written

This is the “MLOps/Deployment” proof:

- Save the trained model to disk (so you don’t retrain every time)
- Load it into a deployment wrapper
- Build a FastAPI app you can serve as an API

Output meaning

You got:

- confirmation that the `.pk1` file was created
- instructions on how to run unicorn

Cell 21 — “Quantum Leap (Experimental)": Qiskit placeholder

Code

```
# Cell 10: Quantum Leap (Experimental)  
try:  
    from qiskit import QuantumCircuit
```

```

from qiskit_machine_learning.neural_networks import SamplerQNN

class QuantumWineModel:
    """Quantum-enhanced wine quality predictor"""

    def __init__(self, n_qubits=4):
        self.n_qubits = n_qubits
        self.qc = QuantumCircuit(n_qubits)
        # Add quantum operations
        self.qc.h(range(n_qubits))
        self.qc.ry(np.pi/4, range(n_qubits))

        self.qnn = SamplerQNN(
            circuit=self.qc,
            input_params=[], # Define input parameters if needed
            weight_params=[], # Define weight parameters if needed
            interpret=lambda x: np.argmax(x)
        )

    def fit(self, X, y):
        """Quantum training loop (placeholder)"""
        print("Quantum training is not implemented yet.")

except ImportError:
    print("Quantum components require Qiskit installation")

```

What this code is

This is a **try/except import block** that *optionally* defines a “quantum model” class if Qiskit is installed.

- `from qiskit import QuantumCircuit`: Qiskit circuit object.
- `SamplerQNN`: Qiskit Machine Learning’s quantum neural network interface.
- `QuantumWineModel`: a class that builds a tiny quantum circuit and wraps it into a QNN object.

Why it was written

This is an **experimental add-on**: “if quantum ML tools exist, we can add a quantum model option”.

It's not integrated into your main training pipeline (your real training uses XGBoost/LightGBM/CatBoost + stacking and an NN). This is more like a "cool future extension" cell.

What the circuit does (conceptually)

```
self.qc.h(range(n_qubits))
```

- Applies **Hadamard gates** to all qubits → puts them into superposition.

```
self.qc.ry(np.pi/4, range(n_qubits))
```

- Rotates each qubit around the Y-axis by $\pi/4$ → adds some parameterized structure.

What's incomplete / placeholder here

In `SamplerQNN(...)`, both:

```
input_params=[]
```

```
weight_params=[]
```

- are empty.

In practice, a trainable QNN needs *parameters* (weights), and often input encoding parameters too. With empty parameter lists, this is not really trainable.

Also, the `fit()` method explicitly says it's not implemented.

Output (what it means)

Your output is:

Quantum components require Qiskit installation

That means **Qiskit (or qiskit_machine_learning) is not installed** in the environment, so the imports failed and the code fell back to the `except ImportError` branch.

Cell 22 — Visualization “dashboard”: 20 graphs + error message about NN history

This cell is a **big visualization block**. It assumes these variables already exist (from earlier cells):

- `X_train, X_test`
- `y_test`
- `engineered_df`
- `wine_df`
- `ensemble`
- `best_model_nn` (optional)

If any of these aren't defined in your session, this cell would fail.

Code (structure)

It generates a series of plots (your comments label them as Graph 1, 2, 3, ...).

I'll go through each graph and explain:

- what it shows,
 - why it's useful,
 - what to look for in the output.
-

Graph 1 — Histograms for each feature (`X_train`)

```
sns.histplot(X_train[col], bins=20, kde=True)
```

What it is: Distribution plots for each engineered feature.

Why: Helps you see:

- skew (long tails),
- weird spikes,
- if a feature is almost constant (bad signal),
- outliers.

Output meaning: Each plot shows how values are spread across training data.

Graph 2 — Boxplots for each feature (`X_train`)

```
sns.boxplot(x=X_train[col])
```

What it is: Boxplot summary of each feature.

Why: Great for spotting **outliers** and comparing spread across features.

Output meaning:

- Middle line = median
 - Box = IQR (25%–75%)
 - Whiskers/outside points = potential outliers
-

Graph 3 — Pairplot (sample of 300 rows)

```
sns.pairplot(X_train.sample(300), diag_kind="kde")
```

What it is: Pairwise scatter plots between every feature pair + KDE on diagonals.

Why: Shows:

- correlations (linear or nonlinear),
- clusters,
- multicollinearity signals.

Output meaning: Each off-diagonal plot is feature vs feature.

Graph 4 — Correlation Heatmap

```
sns.heatmap(X_train.corr(), annot=True, ...)
```

What it is: Feature correlation matrix.

Why: Finds strongly correlated features (redundancy). Useful for:

- interpretation,
- feature engineering cleanup,
- explaining correlation network later.

Output meaning: Values near **+1/-1** mean strong correlation.

Graph 5 — Quality distribution by wine_type (engineered_df)

```
sns.countplot(data=engineered_df, x="quality", hue="wine_type")
```

What it is: Bar chart counts of each quality rating split by red/white.

Why: Shows imbalance and label distribution differences between types.

Output meaning: You can see whether one type tends to have more 5s/6s etc.

Graph 6a — Alcohol vs Quality (original wine_df)

```
sns.scatterplot(data=wine_df, x="alcohol", y="quality", hue="wine_type")
```

What it is: Raw relationship between alcohol and quality.

Why: Alcohol is often a top predictor in the wine dataset.

Output meaning: Upward trend implies higher alcohol → higher quality (common).

Graph 6b — alcohol_pressure vs quality (engineered_df)

```
sns.scatterplot(data=engineered_df, x="alcohol_pressure", y="quality", hue="wine_type")
```

What it is: Same idea but with engineered feature:

- `alcohol_pressure = alcohol * density`

Why: Tries to combine strength + body into one signal.

Output meaning: If this separates quality levels better than raw alcohol, the engineered feature is helpful.

Graph 7 — Plotly 3D scatter (engineered features)

```
px.scatter_3d(engineered_df, x="alcohol_pressure", y="sulfur_decay", z="sulfur_ratio", ...)
```

What it is: 3D interactive plot of 3 engineered features, colored by quality.

Why: Visual “cluster” check: do certain regions map to higher quality?

Output meaning: If high-quality points cluster in a region, those features carry predictive structure.

Graph 10 — Permutation Feature Importance (on ensemble)

```
permutation_importance(ensemble, X_test, y_test, n_repeats=10)
```

What it is: Measures feature importance by **shuffling one feature at a time** and seeing how much performance drops.

Why: This is model-agnostic and often more trustworthy than built-in importances.

Output meaning: Bigger importance score = shuffling hurts more = feature matters more.

Graph 11 — Residual distribution

```
residuals = y_test - y_pred  
sns.histplot(residuals, kde=True)
```

What it is: Histogram of prediction errors (signed).

Why: Checks bias:

- centered near 0 is good
- skew means systematic over/under prediction

Output meaning: Ideally looks roughly bell-shaped around 0.

Graph 12 — Actual vs Predicted scatter

```
sns.scatterplot(x=y_test, y=y_pred)  
plt.plot(diagonal)
```

What it is: How close predictions are to perfect line ($y=x$).

Why: Quick sanity check for regression.

Output meaning: Points close to diagonal = accurate predictions.

Graph 13 — Absolute error boxplot

```
errors = abs(y_test - y_pred)  
sns.boxplot(x=errors)
```

What it is: Distribution summary of absolute errors.

Why: Lets you see median error and spread.

Output meaning: Lower median and tighter spread = better.

Graph 14 — Parallel Coordinates (sample)

```
parallel_coordinates(engineered_df.drop("wine_type", axis=1).sample(200), "quality")
```

What it is: Each row is a polyline across features, colored by `quality`.

Why: Useful to see whether quality levels follow different “paths” across features.

Output meaning: If high-quality lines look systematically different, features are informative.

Graph 15 — Joint plot (sulfur_ratio vs quality)

```
sns.jointplot(... kind="hex")
```

What it is: 2D density (hexbin) of sulfur_ratio vs quality.

Why: Shows concentration of points and trend, cleaner than scatter.

Graph 16 — Correlation Network Graph (threshold > 0.6)

```
if corr > 0.6: add edge between features
```

What it is: Graph where nodes=features and edges=strong correlations.

Why: Visualize multicollinearity structure.

Output meaning: Dense clusters = groups of redundant/related features.

Graph 17 — XGBoost feature importances (from stacking estimator)

```
xgb_model = ensemble.named_estimators_["xgb"]  
xgb_model.feature_importances_
```

What it is: XGB's internal importance metric (gain/weight depending on config).

Why: Quick model-specific view.

Output meaning: Higher bar = XGB relied more on that feature.

Graph 18 — Distribution of predicted quality

```
sns.histplot(y_pred, kde=True)
```

What it is: Shows what values your model tends to output.

Why: Checks if model is “collapsed” (predicting narrow range) or reasonable.

Output meaning: If it only predicts around 5–6 always, it may be underfitting.

Graph 19 — Residuals vs Predicted scatter

```
sns.scatterplot(x=y_pred, y=residuals)  
plt.axhline(0)
```

What it is: Error vs predicted value.

Why: Detects heteroscedasticity / systematic errors:

- “fan shape” = errors grow with prediction value
 - curve pattern = missing nonlinearity
-

Graph 20 — Neural network training history (try/except)

```
history = best_model_nn.history.history  
plt.plot(history['loss'])  
plt.plot(history['val_loss'])
```

What it tries to do: plot training loss and validation loss.

But your output says:

Training history not available: 'val_loss'

Why that happened (exact reason):

Earlier, your NN training used `EarlyStopping(monitor="val_loss")` without giving

validation data (`validation_split` or `validation_data`). So Keras didn't compute `val_loss`, therefore `history['val_loss']` doesn't exist.

So the try/except catches it and prints that message.