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## **Problem Statement**

You are provided with the famous <u>Iris flower dataset</u>, which contains measurements of different iris flowers and their species.

## Your task is to:

- 1. Preparing the dataset.
- 2. Implementing KNN classification from scratch (no sklearn, no pandas).
- 3. Tuning the parameter k and comparing validation accuracy.
- 4. Testing the best model on the test set.
- 5. Reporting all results.

## **About the Dataset: Iris Dataset**

Property	Details		
Number of Instances	150 samples (50 from each class)		
Number of Attributes	4 numeric features + 1 class label		
Features	Sepal length (cm), Sepal width (cm), Petal length (cm), Petal width (cm)		
Target Classes	Iris-setosa, Iris-versicolor, Iris-virginica		

**Step 1:** Load the dataset into a 2D Python list.

**Step 2:** Randomly split the dataset into:

Training set: 70%Validation set: 15%

• Test set: 15%

Use random numbers to assign samples to these groups.

```
Train_set = [], Val_set = [], Test_set = []

For each sample S in D:

Generate random number R in [0, 1]

If R >= 0 and R <= 0.7:

Add S to Train_set

Else if R > 0.7 and R <= 0.85:

Add S to Val_set

Else:

Add S to Test_set
```

## **KNN Classification Tasks**

For each sample V in Validation set:

For each sample T in Training set:

Compute Euclidean distance between V's features and T's features

Add (T, distance) to list L

Sort list L in ascending order by distance

Take the first k samples from L (nearest neighbours)

Count the majority class among these k samples  $\rightarrow$  predicted class

Now, check if this class is correct or not

Validation Accuracy = (correct predictions / total validation samples) \* 100

- Code Template
- Use k = 5 initially.
- For each validation sample:
  - 1. Compute Euclidean distance to all training samples.
  - 2. Sort training samples by distance.
  - 3. Select the top k neighbours.
  - 4. Assign the majority class among neighbours as the predicted class.
  - 5. Check if the prediction matches the true label.
- Calculate validation accuracy as:

• Repeat the process for: k = 1, 3, 5, 10, 15 Make a results table:

K Value	Validation Accuracy (%)		
1			
3			
5			
10			
15			

• Choose the best k (highest validation accuracy).

- Apply this best k on the test set to report final test accuracy.
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## **Marks Distribution**

Task	Marks	
Dataset loading	4	
Train/Validation/Test split	5	
KNN algorithm implementation	10	
K tuning + validation accuracy table	3	
Best K-test accuracy calculation	3	
Total	25	

# K-Nearest Neighbours (KNN) Regression

## **Problem Statement**

You are provided with the <u>Diabetes dataset</u>, which contains medical data and a quantitative measure of disease progression one year after baseline.

## Your task is to:

- 1. Prepare the dataset.
- 2. Implement KNN regression from scratch (no sklearn or pandas).
- 3. Tune the parameter k and compare the validation error.
- 4. Test the best model on the test set.
- 5. Report all results.

# **About the Dataset: Iris Dataset**

Property	Details
Number of Instances	768
Number of Attributes	8 numeric predictive features + 1 quantitative target
Features	Pregnancies, Glucose, BloodPressure, SkinThickness, Insulin, BMI, DiabetesPedigreeFunction, Age, Outcome
Target	Disease progression measure after one year.

# **Dataset Preparation:**

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Training set: 70%Validation set: 15%Test set: 15%

Use random numbers to assign samples to these groups.

$$Train\_set = [], Val\_set = [], Test\_set = []$$

For each sample S in D:

Generate a random number R in [0, 1]

If  $R \ge 0$  and  $R \le 0.7$ : Add S to Train set

```
Else if R > 0.7 and R <= 0.85:
Add S to Val_set
Else:
Add S to Test_set
```

## **KNN Regression Tasks**

```
Total_Error = 0

For each sample V in the Validation set:

L = []

For each sample T in the Training set:

Compute Euclidean distance between V's features and T's features

Add (T, distance) to list L

Sort list L in ascending order by distance

Take first k samples from L (nearest neighbours)

Compute the average output (target) from these k samples → Predicted_Value

Compute squared error:

Error = (V_true_output - Predicted_Value)²

Add Error to Total_Error

Mean_Squared_Error = Total_Error / (number of validation samples)
```

- Code Template
- Use k = 5 initially.
- For each validation sample:
  - 1. Compute Euclidean distance to all training samples.
  - 2. Sort training samples by distance.
  - 3. Select the top k neighbours.
  - 4. Average their target values  $\rightarrow$  predicted output.
  - 5. Computer squared error:
- Calculate validation accuracy as:

 $\frac{correct\ validation\ samples}{Total\ validation\ samples}\ *\ 100$ 

• Repeat the process for: k = 1, 3, 5, 10, 15 Make a results table:

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