Feature Selection

(Practice the problem given in the Lab Manual section related to feature selection for better understanding)

Missing Values Ratio

- 1. **Diabetes Dataset**: Identify and remove features in the diabetes dataset where the percentage of missing values exceeds 30%, then analyze how the reduced feature set affects model accuracy when predicting diabetes outcomes.
- 2. **Melbourne Housing Dataset**: Filter out columns in the Melbourne housing dataset where more than 20% of values are missing, and determine the impact on a price prediction model's performance.

High Correlation Filter

- 3. **Diabetes Dataset**: Identify pairs of highly correlated features (correlation > 0.8) in the diabetes dataset, then remove one feature from each pair and assess how model performance changes in diabetes classification.
- 4. **Melbourne Housing Dataset**: Remove highly correlated features (correlation > 0.85) from the Melbourne housing dataset and evaluate the effect on the prediction of property prices.

Low Variance Filter

- 5. **Diabetes Dataset**: Apply a low variance filter to remove features in the diabetes dataset with very low variability, and observe how this affects the model's accuracy in predicting diabetes.
- 6. **Melbourne Housing Dataset**: Filter out features in the Melbourne housing dataset with low variance (e.g., those that are nearly constant across samples), and analyze its impact on predicting housing prices.

Forward Feature Selection

- 7. **Diabetes Dataset**: Use forward feature selection to iteratively select the best features from the diabetes dataset for a logistic regression model, and determine how many features are optimal for predicting diabetes outcomes.
- 8. **Melbourne Housing Dataset**: Implement forward feature selection on the Melbourne housing dataset to find the optimal set of features for predicting housing prices using a linear regression model.

Backward Feature Elimination

9. **Diabetes Dataset**: Perform backward feature elimination on the diabetes dataset using a decision tree classifier, removing the least important features one by one, and examine the final set of features and its effect on model performance.

10. **Melbourne Housing Dataset**: Apply backward feature elimination on the Melbourne housing dataset using a random forest model, and analyze how removing the least important features one at a time impacts the accuracy of price predictions.

Random Forest

- 11. **Diabetes Dataset**: Use the feature importance scores from a random forest model to rank the features in the diabetes dataset, then keep only the top 5 most important features and evaluate how well the reduced model predicts diabetes.
- 12. **Melbourne Housing Dataset**: Train a random forest model on the Melbourne housing dataset to determine the most important features for predicting housing prices, and assess the model's accuracy after removing the least important features.