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Prediction of Type-2 Diabetes using Logistic Regression, and selection of optimal Scaler and Sampling Technique

1. Scaling and Sampling.

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Abstract: This study aims to utilize machine learning, specifically logistic regression, to predict an individual's likelihood of having diabetes based on medical data, addressing a pressing global health concern. In addition to building logistic regression model, we plan evaluate our model using different scaling techniques and sampling methods. In this study we will apply different scaling techniques (MinMaxScaler, StandardScaler, and RobustScaler), and use different sampling methods (simple random sampling and stratified sampling) to split the data into training and testing sets. We'll then compare the performance of the models based on accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score.

And recommend optimum scaling and sampling technique based on result for future modeling.

Index Terms - Type 2 Diabetes, Logistic Regression, Min Max Scaling, Standardization, Robust Scaling.

I. INTRODUCTION

Diabetes mellitus refers to a collection of metabolic disorders characterized by elevated blood sugar levels (hyperglycemia) resulting from deficiencies in insulin action, insulin secretion, or both (American Diabetes Association, 2009, 1-8). The International Diabetes Federation (IDF) reported that in 2017, there were 425 million individuals worldwide living with diabetes. However, by 2019, this number had risen to 463 million adults aged 20 to 79 years, highlighting the alarming increase and positioning diabetes as a significant global health crisis in the 21st century (Rajendran & Latifi, 2021, 1-8).

Types of Diabetes: Diabetes is classified into three distinct types: type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes, and gestational diabetes. Gestational Diabetes: This form of diabetes emerges during pregnancy and may potentially resolve after childbirth. However, if left untreated, it carries a heightened risk of progressing into type 2 diabetes. Type 1 Diabetes: This type arises when the body produces insufficient or no insulin at all. It predominantly affects children, teenagers, and young adults, and is characterized by a deficiency of insulin. Individuals with type 1 diabetes require insulin injections for management. The precise cause of this type of diabetes remains unknown. Symptoms encompass increased urination (polyuria), excessive thirst (polydipsia), constant hunger, weight loss, vision changes, and fatigue. These symptoms may manifest suddenly (Cho et al., 2018, 271-281).

Type 2 Diabetes: Insulin resistance is the underlying cause of this type. While it predominantly affects adults, there is a growing prevalence of type 2 diabetes among children as well. Individuals with type 2 diabetes have insufficient levels of insulin in their bodies. It accounts for over 95% of all diabetes cases. The primary factors contributing to type 2 diabetes are excess body weight and a sedentary lifestyle. Although the symptoms resemble those of type 1 diabetes, they are generally less severe. Consequently, the diagnosis of this condition often occurs years later, after complications have already developed (World Health Organization, 2019).

Logistic Regression: Logistic regression, a widely recognized technique adopted from statistics in the field of machine learning, utilizes real-valued inputs to estimate the probability of an input belonging to a specific class, such as the diabetes class (referred to as class 0). When the predicted probability exceeds 0.5, it classifies the input as class 0; otherwise, it is classified as class 1. This classification algorithm employs one or more independent features to determine the outcome. Given that our dependent variable, 'Outcome,' has only binary values (0 and 1), logistic regression was the most straightforward approach for training the dataset (Brownlee, 2020).

Scaling: Scaling will help standardize the features in the given dataset, by adjusting the range of the data to fit within specific scale, which is essential and crucial for many machine learning algorithms.

Sampling Techniques

Random sampling and stratified sampling are two different techniques used for splitting data into subsets, particularly in the context of training and testing datasets for machine learning models. Each method has its own characteristics, advantages, and appropriate use cases.

Stratified sampling involves dividing the data into different strata (subsets) based on the class labels and then performing random sampling within each stratum. This ensures that the train and test sets maintain the same class distribution as the original dataset.

Random sampling is a simple technique where each data point in the dataset has an equal chance of being selected. This method does not consider the distribution of the classes and can be performed as **Simple Random Sampling**.

Research Problem: Diabetes diagnosis is critical for active care in persons who are newly diagnosed and have not yet acquired complications. Such people did not have the chance in advance to be aware of the early diabetes symptoms. It is unrealistic to expect everyone to be aware of the early symptoms. Therefore, this research focuses on a potential system that can assist a healthcare practitioner to early detect of diabetes using one of the frequently utilized classification algorithms.

Research Objectives: The objectives of this research are: To address the classification of Diabetes Mellitus using a logistic regression classifier, our objective is to apply and support the implementation of the logistic regression classification technique. This will aid in standardizing the diagnosis of Diabetes Mellitus within the dataset of patients.

Research Methodology:

Description of Pima Indigenous Dataset: In the text, the authors used the term "indigenous" instead of "Indian." The dataset utilized in this project is known as the Pima Indigenous Diabetes database, which was sponsored and published by the National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases in the United States of America. It is publicly accessible on the Kaggle website (https://www.kaggle.com/uciml/pima-indians-diabetes-database) and serves as an open-source dataset comprising records of female patients. The dataset encompasses a total of 768 cases, with each case representing a female participant from the Pima Indigenous community (table 1). Within each case, there is a binary indicator indicating whether the individual is non-diabetic (0) or diabetic (1). The dataset contains 500 cases classified as non-diabetic and 268 cases classified as diabetic. Additionally, the dataset includes the following eight features."

Pregnancies: Number of times a Pima Indigenous female got pregnant.

Glucose Level: Plasma glucose concentration over 2 hours in an oral glucose tolerance test.

Blood pressure: Blood pressure refers to the force exerted by the blood as it circulates through the body's cardiovascular system. It plays a crucial role in maintaining proper circulation. Both high and low blood pressures can have significant implications for one's health, and extreme fluctuations in blood pressure can even serve as an indicator of potential mortality.

Skin Thickness: Triceps skinfold thickness, measured in millimeters (mm) within the dataset, is a metric that offers a reliable estimate of both obesity and body fat distribution. It serves as a valuable indicator in assessing body composition and provides insights into the distribution of fat in the triceps region of the body.

Insulin: In the Pima Indigenous community, the metric used to measure the level of insulin in the blood after a two-hour period is denoted as "mu U/ml" (micro-units per milliliter). In the context of the dataset, the variable labeled 'Insulin' represents the two-hour serum insulin level. By analyzing an individual's insulin levels following a meal, it is possible to identify the presence of a metabolic disorder and determine if there is a defect in islet function, both of which are associated with diabetes. Insulin, a peptide hormone, is primarily produced by the beta cells of the pancreatic islets and serves as the body's main anabolic hormone. Its role involves regulating the metabolism of carbohydrates, fats, and proteins by facilitating the absorption of glucose from the bloodstream into the liver, adipose tissue (fat), and skeletal muscle cells.

BMI: Body mass index (BMI), a measure of obesity and health, is commonly used in statistical analysis. The degree of obesity cannot be judged directly by the absolute value of the weight, and it is naturally related to height. So, BMI is defined as the body mass divided by the square of the body height.

Diabetes Pedigree Function: The term used for this variable is DBF, which indicates the probability of developing diabetes depending on one's familial background (Joshi & Dhakal, 2021, 1-7).

Age: Age (years) the range in the dataset is from 21 to 81.

Outcome: Classification variable where 0 means that a female does not have Type II diabetes, and a 1 indicates the participant has Type II diabetes.

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No.	Attributes	Attribute Type	Description
1.	Pregnancies	Numerical	Number of times a Pima Indigenous female got pregnant.
2.	Glucose	Numerical	In an oral glucose tolerance test, plasma glucose concentration measured over 2 hours.
3.	Blood Pressure	Numerical	Diastolic blood pressure (mm Hg).
4.	Skin Thickness	Numerical	Thickness of Triceps skin fold (mm).
5.	Insulin	Numerical	2-Hour serum insulin (mu U/ml).
6.	BMI	Numerical	Body Mass Index (weight in kg / (height in m2).
7.	Diabetes Pedigree Function	Numerical	Diabetes pedigree function.
8.	Age	Numerical	Age in years.
9.	Outcome	Outcome	0 means that a female does not have Type II diabetes, and a 1 indicates the participant has Type II diabetes.







The first step of Machine learning, is exploring dataset, check data quality by verifying missing values, in the dataset used in this paper there are no missing values. So there is no need to treat missing values.

Within this dataset, the dependent variable "Outcome" exclusively consists of numerical values, specifically 0 and 1. As a result, logistic regression emerges as the most straightforward approach to utilize. Logistic regression serves the purpose of forecasting the likelihood of certain conditions transpiring in binary scenarios, such as yes/no or 0/1 situations. It enables the prediction of the probability of a categorical response transpiring based on the influence of one or more predictor variables.

Logistic regression surpasses discriminant analysis in its capability to analyze various categorical response variables due to its adaptability and versatility. Unlike discriminant analysis, which assumes the normality of all independent variables, logistic regression does not require this assumption.

The fundamental concept of logistic regression revolves around a categorical dependent variable *Y* being regressed upon a set of p independent metric or binary variables *X*1, *X*2, ..., *Xp*.

Examples of *Y* can include passing or failing an exam, being ill, or winning a prize. Logistic regression encompasses three types: binary logistic regression, multinomial logistic regression, and ordinal logistic regression. In our study, we will solely focus on binary logistic regression since the dependent variable "Outcome" in the dataset only has two possible values: "0" and "1" (Huang, 2021).

In this example we try to determine the feature in the dataset which has highest influence on the outcome by plotting density plot of each feature, and validate our Hypothesis using Null Hypothesis.

Once Hypothesis is validated, we would like explore the accuracy of Logistic Regression model on various scaling Normalization techniques and for each scaling technique, test the model on different ratio of Training samples and Test Samples.

Test Logistic Regression model on below use cases (with 80-20 split ratio)

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Analysis and Result:

Step 1: Description of dataset summary which contains the following information. Snapshot of Sample data

	Pregnancies	Glucose	BloodPressure	SkinThickness	Insulin	BMI	DiabetesPedigreeFunction	Age	Outcome
614	11	138	74	26	144	36.1	0.557	50	1
304	3	150	76	0	0	21.0	0.207	37	0
584	8	124	76	24	600	28.7	0.687	52	1
722	1	149	68	29	127	29.3	0.349	42	1
446	1	100	72	12	70	25.3	0.658	28	0
594	6	123	72	45	230	33.6	0.733	34	0
512	9	91	68	0	0	24.2	0.200	58	0
757	0	123	72	0	0	36.3	0.258	52	1
217	6	125	68	30	120	30.0	0.464	32	0
550	1	116	70	28	0	27.4	0.204	21	0

Step 2: Five-point summary of the data.

#five point summary of the data
df.describe()

	Pregnancies	Glucose	BloodPressure	SkinThickness	Insulin	BMI	DiabetesPedigreeFunction	Age	Outcome
count	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000	768.000000
mean	3.845052	120.894531	69.105469	20.536458	79.799479	31.992578	0.471876	33.240885	0.348958
std	3.369578	31.972618	19.355807	15.952218	115.244002	7.884160	0.331329	11.760232	0.476951
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.078000	21.000000	0.000000
25%	1.000000	99.000000	62.000000	0.000000	0.000000	27.300000	0.243750	24.000000	0.000000
50 %	3.000000	117.000000	72.000000	23.000000	30.500000	32.000000	0.372500	29.000000	0.000000
75%	6.000000	140.250000	80.000000	32.000000	127.250000	36.600000	0.626250	41.000000	1.000000
max	17.000000	199.000000	122.000000	99.000000	846.000000	67.100000	2.420000	81.000000	1.000000

Step 3: Check for missing values

df_diabetics.isnull().sum() # check for null data in dataset

Pregnancies	0
Glucose	0
BloodPressure	0
SkinThickness	0
Insulin	0
BMI	0
DiabetesPedigreeFunction	0
Age	0
Outcome	0
dtype: int64	

The given dataset has zero missing values, which does not require handling of bad data

Step 4: Data Visualization

Data exploration involves getting insights about the data and finding the correlation between the features. In the given dataset, 500 candidates are non diabetic and 268 candidates are diabetic.

The heatmap displayed in 3, shows the correlation between the features of Dataset. The lighter colors represent more correlation and the darker colors represent less correlation. The Fig-3 shows a bar plot displaying count of patients with and without Diabetes in Dataset.

Frequency distribution of Diabetic and Non-Diabetic patient, represented as 1 and 0 respectively

Outcome	Count
0	500
1	268

Below graph shows visual plot of frequency distribution and heat map





Fig - 3

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Step 5: Explore shape and relations - use the outcome column as colour.

#Explore shape and relations - use the outcome column as color
sns.pairplot(df, hue='Outcome')

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Step 5:

Based on visual analysis, density plot of glucose and outcome, there is visual evidence and glucose is higher influencing factor in determining the outcome.

	Mean
Outcome	Glucose
0	109.98
1	141.257463

Independent T-Test performed using scipyTests T = -14.600060005973894, P= 8.935431645289913e-43

Perform T-Test and Confusion matrix, confirm assumption, higher the value of Glucose, higher the probability of Candidate being Diabetic

Below table shows pivot distribution of, occurrence of diabetic and non diabetic candidate with glucose level above 135.

Glucose_Level	High glucose	Low glucose
Outcome		
Diabetic	130	138
Non-Diabetic	57	443

Step 5:

Build an all Variable logical regression model, and train the logistic regression model for different scalers MinMax, Standard and Robust Scaling for each of these scalers use Random Sampling and Stratified Sampling techniques. Evaluate the performance of the model using accuracy score calculated using sklearn metrics library.

Step 6: The classification report for various scaler and sampler in the form of table is mentioned below

	Scaler	Sampling Method	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
2	StandardScaler	Random Sampling	0.753247	0.649123	0.672727	0.660714
4	RobustScaler	Random Sampling	0.753247	0.649123	0.672727	0.660714
3	StandardScaler	Stratified Sampling	0.779221	0.727273	0.592593	0.653061
5	RobustScaler	Stratified Sampling	0.779221	0.727273	0.592593	0.653061
0	MinMaxScaler	Random Sampling	0.753247	0.680851	0.581818	0.627451
1	MinMaxScaler	Stratified Sampling	0.753247	0.722222	0.481481	0.577778

Conclusion and Recommendations:

1. Best Performing Scaler:

The **Standard Scaler and Robust Scaler with Stratified sampling** perform well with high accuracy score and high precision score which means, that the model has a low rate of false positives and indicates that the model correctly predicts a high percentage of accurate instances.

2. Best Performing Sampler.

Stratified Sampling generally ensures that both training and testing sets have a similar class distribution, which might be why it performs slightly better or equal in some cases compared to random sampling, especially for StandardScaler and RobustScaler.

The choice of scaler and sampling method can significantly impact the performance of a logistic regression model. Based on this analysis, **Standard Scaler and Robust Scaler with Stratified sampling** are optimal combinations for this dataset. Each of these combinations maintains a high balance between precision and recall, making them reliable for binary classification tasks.

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