

PREDICTIVE MODEL USING MACHINE LEARNING ALGORITHMS



Develop a predictive model using machine learning algorithms (supervised and unsupervised learning) to identify prospective targets for mining exploration.

Problem Statement

The process of Exploratory drilling and probing activities requires high investment, sustained cash inflow, and considerable time with inherent high risk.

Traditional procedures are unable to provide the degree of reliability/confidence limits. The application of mathematical models through data analysis can help improve precision and bring forth decision-making criteria at the end of each stage of the exploratory process.

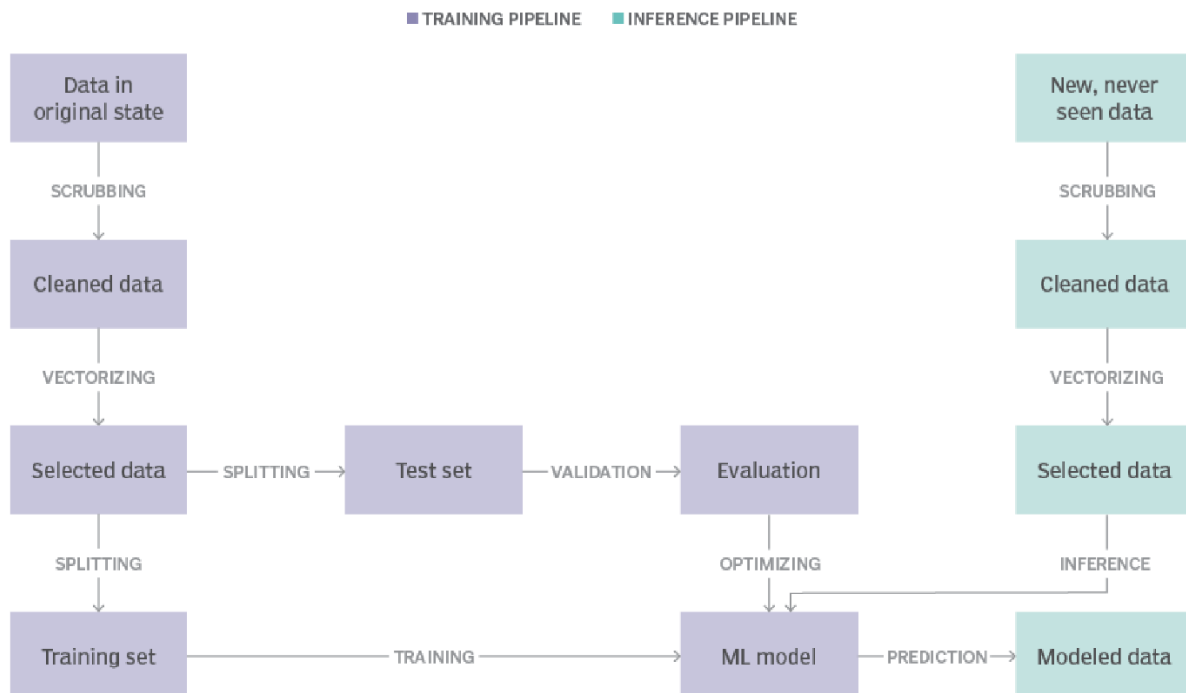
Objectives

To determine the economic viability of probable minerals deposit without the need for drilling and exploratory activities using machine learning algorithms.

Methodology

Based on the desired product output and considering our model performance metric and evaluation, KPIs and a final determination of whether the model can meet the established business goals we

Process



Data Cleaning

Data cleaning is the process of identifying incomplete, incorrect, inaccurate and irrelevant parts of the data and then replacing, modifying or deleting this dirty data. The data received contained about 11 CSV files and a file index explaining the meaning of the names of each file. The total number of **36 predictive variables** needed for the analysis and **1 dependent variable**. Each feature is identified in each of the files. This includes Geochemistry (AU, CU, AS, PB, SB, ZN, NA, MG, MO, AG, FE, K, CA), Structural (Azimuth classification (3), w/o structure), Geophysics (Gravimetry & Magnetometry Rpt) and Lithology features (Type of rock (17))

#Importing Libraries

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.preprocessing import normalize
```

Data Collection

Mineral forecast provided the dataset used for this algorithm

#Importing dataset into Jupyter environment

```
df = pd.read_csv('mineral_forecast.csv')
```

```
df.head()
```

```
Out[1]:
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	Ag_ppm_AA_ICP	Au_ppb	Cu_ppm_AA_ICP	...	SAMPTO	Soporte	s
0	1.6	NaN	56.0	...	214.5	1.5	0.0010
1	0.6	NaN	8.0	...	216.0	1.5	0.0010
2	0.4	NaN	8.0	...	217.5	1.5	0.0010
3	0.4	NaN	5.0	...	219.0	1.5	0.0010
4	0.6	NaN	17.0	...	220.5	1.5	0.0009

```
[5 rows x 70 columns]
```

```
df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
```

```
RangeIndex: 178408 entries, 0 to 178407
```

```
Data columns (total 70 columns):
```

```
# Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
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0	Ag_ppm_AA_ICP	1489 non-null	float64
1	Au_ppb	834 non-null	float64
2	Cu_ppm_AA_ICP	2639 non-null	float64
3	As_ppm_AA_ICP	1854 non-null	float64
4	Pb_ppm_AA_ICP	2372 non-null	float64
5	Sb_ppm_AA_ICP	873 non-null	float64
6	Zn_ppm_AA_ICP	2609 non-null	float64
7	Na_pct_ICP	1150 non-null	float64
8	Mg_pct_ICP	1167 non-null	float64
9	Mo_ppm_AA_ICP	2135 non-null	float64
10	Ag_ppm_AA_ICP.1	1489 non-null	float64
11	Fe_pct_ICP	1185 non-null	float64
12	K_pct_ICP	1185 non-null	float64
13	Ca_pct_ICP	1177 non-null	float64
14	X	25425 non-null	float64
15	Y	25425 non-null	float64
16	Clas_Rumb	25425 non-null	float64
17	Type	25425 non-null	object
18	Gravemetry	11609 non-null	float64
19	Magnetometry RTP	46409 non-null	object
20	OX	546 non-null	float64
21	OY	546 non-null	float64
22	OZ	546 non-null	float64
23	3X	34685 non-null	float64
24	3Y	34685 non-null	float64
25	3Z	34685 non-null	float64
26	4X	5685 non-null	float64
27	4Y	5685 non-null	float64
28	4Z	5685 non-null	float64

29	5X	9226 non-null	float64
30	5Y	9226 non-null	float64
31	5Z	9226 non-null	float64
32	6X	178408 non-null	int64
33	6Y	178408 non-null	int64
34	6Z	178408 non-null	float64
35	7X	130 non-null	float64
36	7Y	130 non-null	float64
37	7Z	130 non-null	float64
38	8X	48666 non-null	float64
39	8Y	48666 non-null	float64
40	8Z	48666 non-null	float64
41	10X	13588 non-null	float64
42	10Y	13588 non-null	float64
43	10Z	13588 non-null	float64
44	11X	11307 non-null	float64
45	11Y	11307 non-null	float64
46	11Z	11307 non-null	float64
47	12X	138733 non-null	float64
48	12Y	138733 non-null	float64
49	12Z	138733 non-null	float64
50	13X	106374 non-null	float64
51	13Y	106374 non-null	float64
52	13Z	106374 non-null	float64
53	14X	931 non-null	float64
54	14Y	931 non-null	float64
55	14Z	931 non-null	float64
56	15X	874 non-null	float64
57	15Y	874 non-null	float64
58	15Z	874 non-null	float64

59 16X	16358 non-null	float64
60 16Y	16358 non-null	float64
61 16Z	16358 non-null	float64
62 17X	158 non-null	float64
63 17Y	158 non-null	float64
64 17Z	158 non-null	float64
65 HOLE ID	7405 non-null	object
66 SAMPFROM	7405 non-null	float64
67 SAMPTO	7405 non-null	float64
68 Soporte	7405 non-null	float64
69 Cut_Pct	7337 non-null	float64

```
df.isnull().sum()
```

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Out[17]:
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```
Ag_ppm_AA_ICP 176919
```

```
Au_ppb 177574
```

```
Cu_ppm_AA_ICP 175769
```

```
As_ppm_AA_ICP 176554
```

```
Pb_ppm_AA_ICP 176036
```

```
HOLE ID 171003
```

```
SAMPFROM 171003
```

```
SAMPTO 171003
```

```
Soporte 171003
```

```
Cut_Pct 171071
```

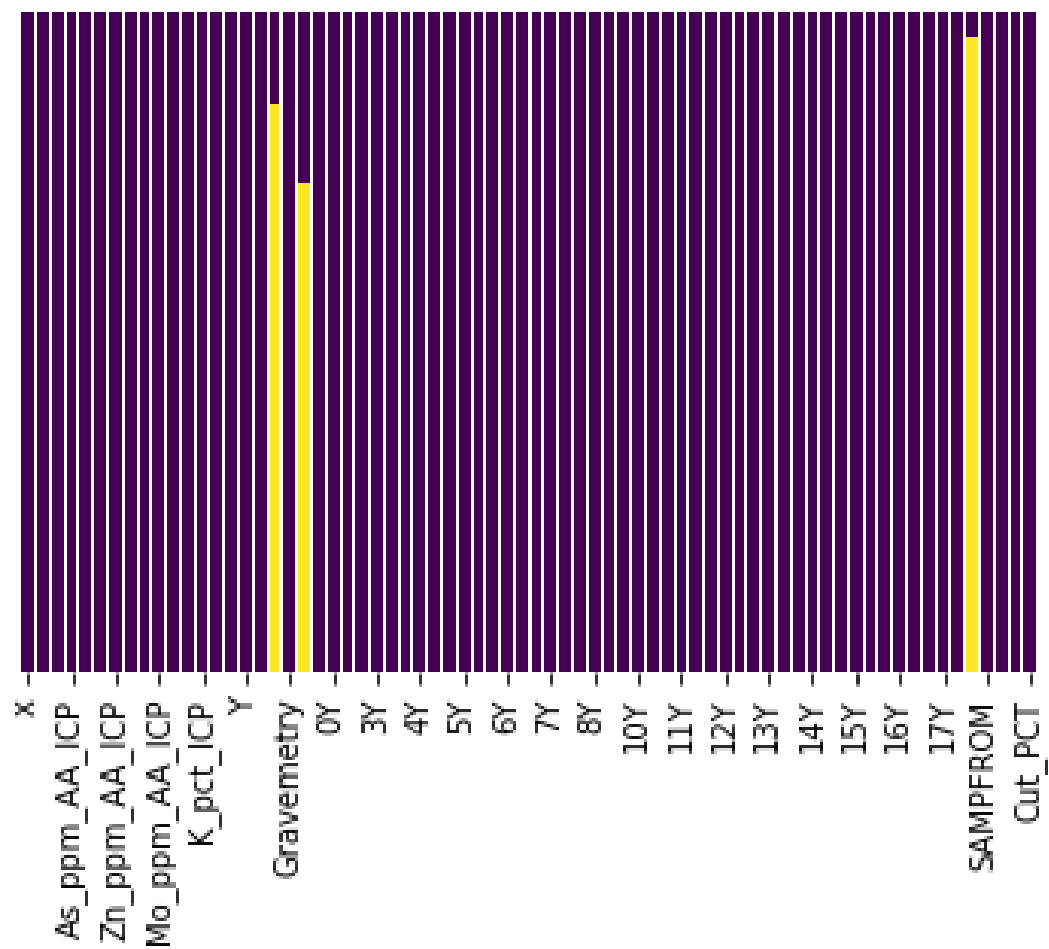
```
Length: 70, dtype: int64
```

```
##To replace numeric missing values
```

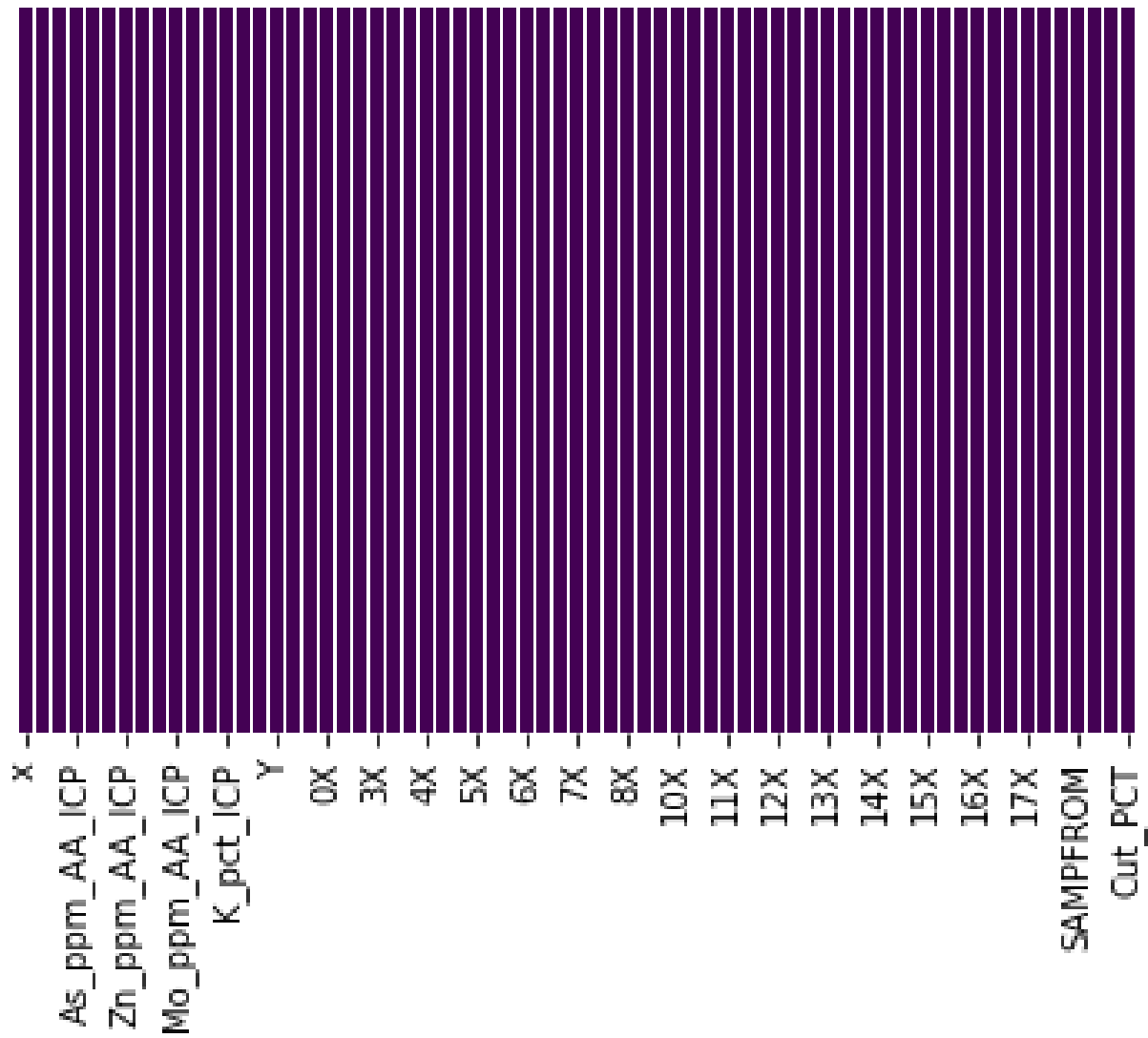
```
df.fillna(df.mean(),inplace=True)
```

```
## The plot for missing values
```

```
sns.heatmap(df.isnull(),cbar=False,yticklabels=False,cmap='viridis')
```



```
## Dropping the non-numeric due to much missing
```



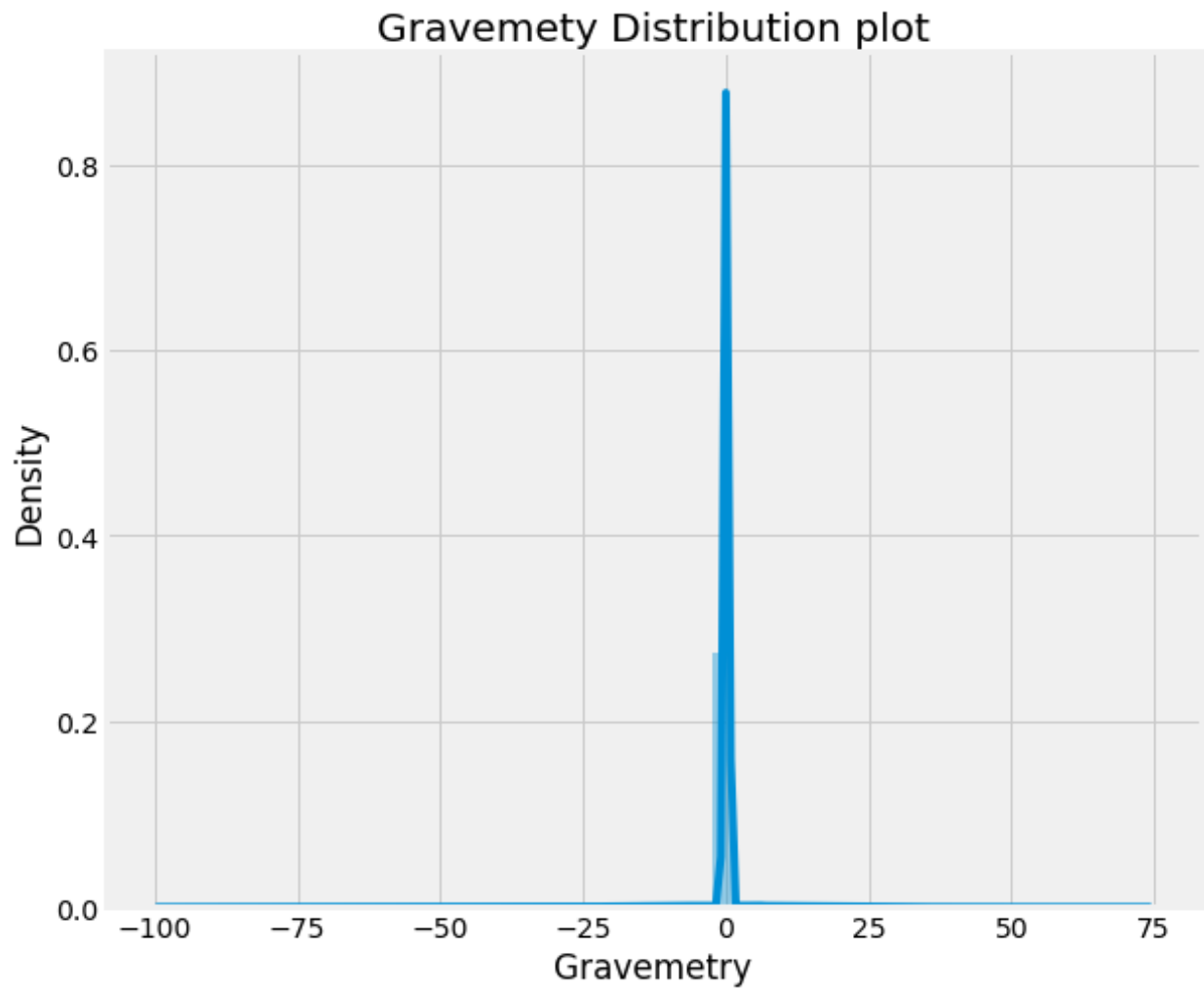
```
## Plotting the distribution of Gravemetry
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10,8))
```

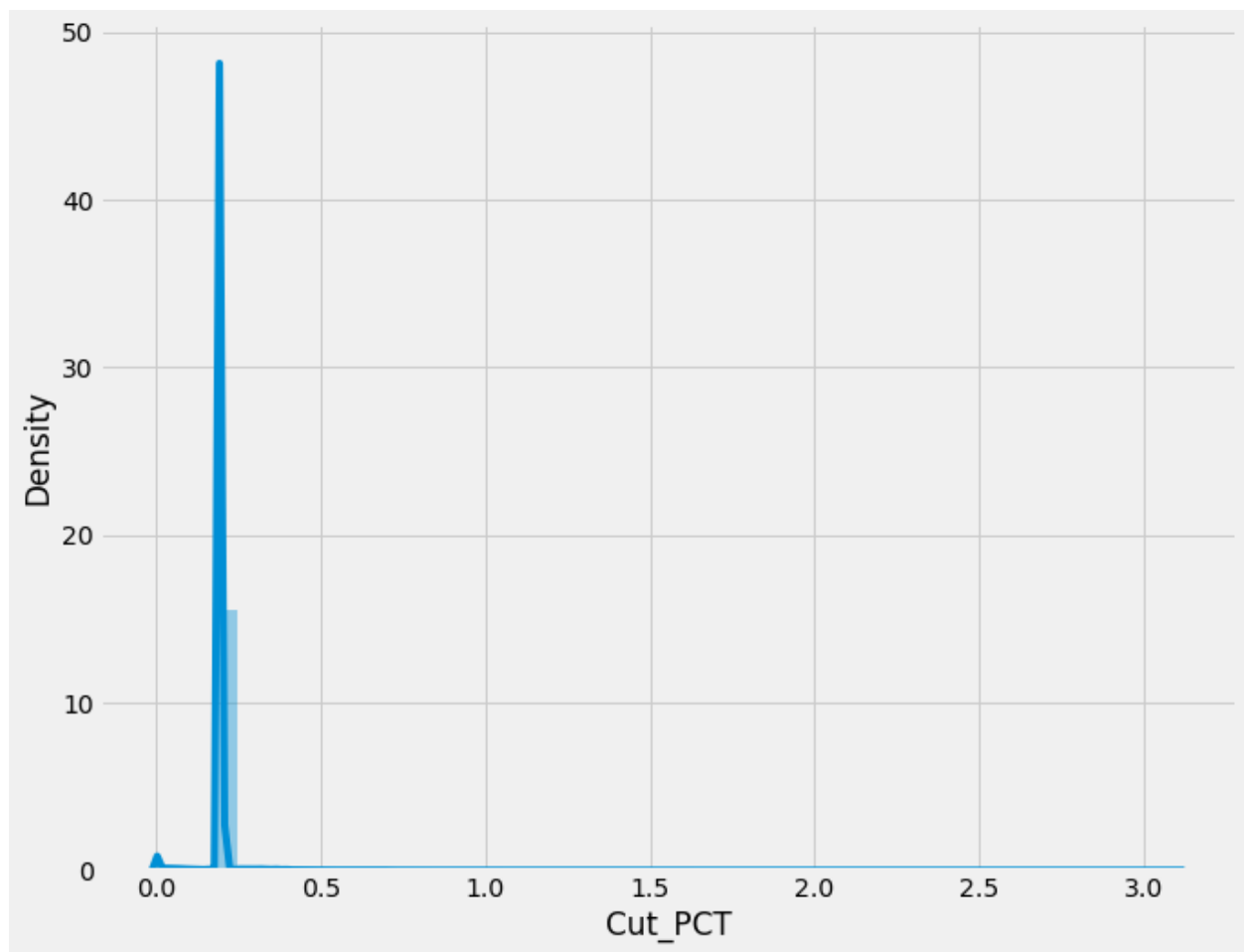
```
plt.style.use('fivethirtyeight')
```

```
sns.distplot(df['Gravemetry'])
```

```
plt.title("Gravemety Distribution plot")
```



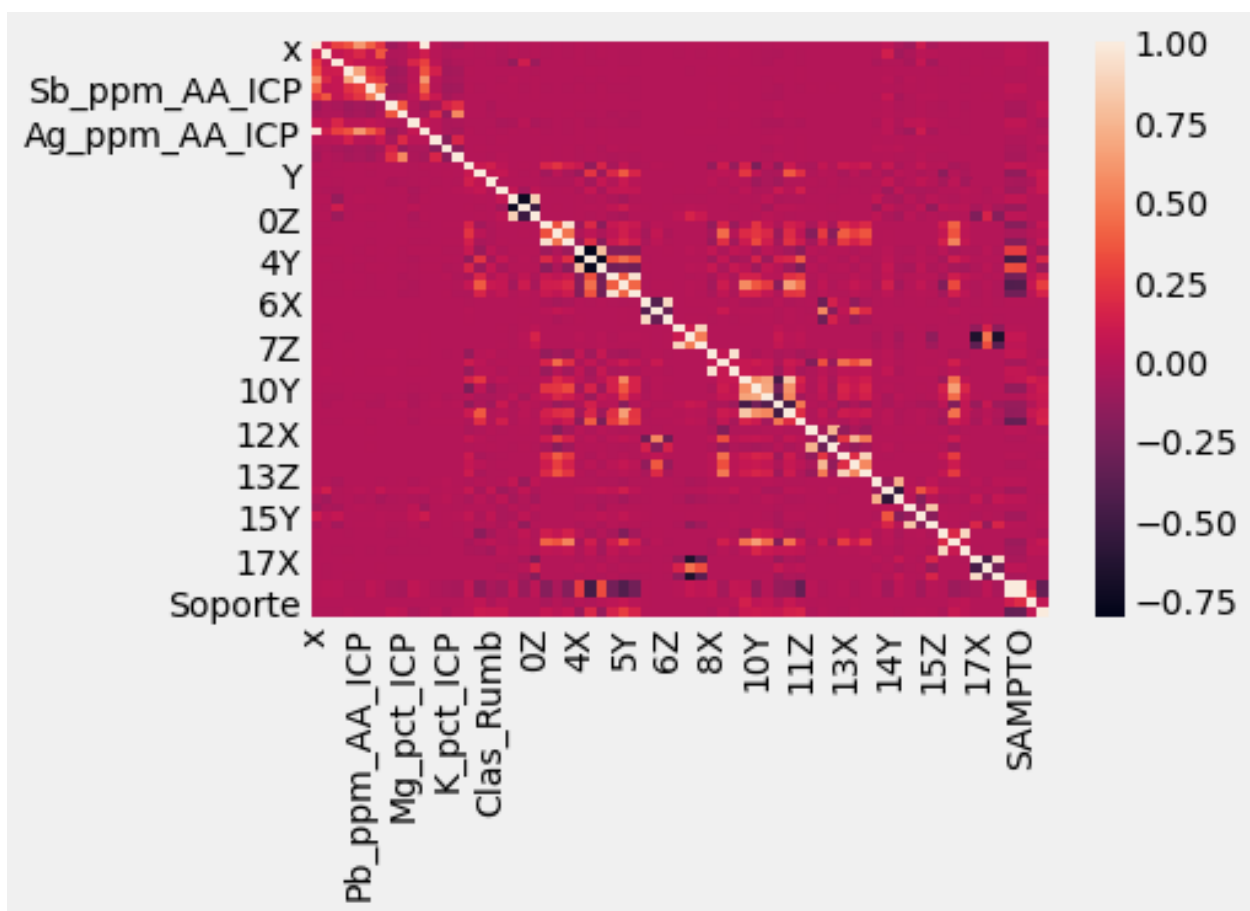
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###  
plt.figure(figsize=(10,8))  
plt.style.use('fivethirtyeight')  
sns.distplot(df['CuT_pct'])  
plt.show()
```



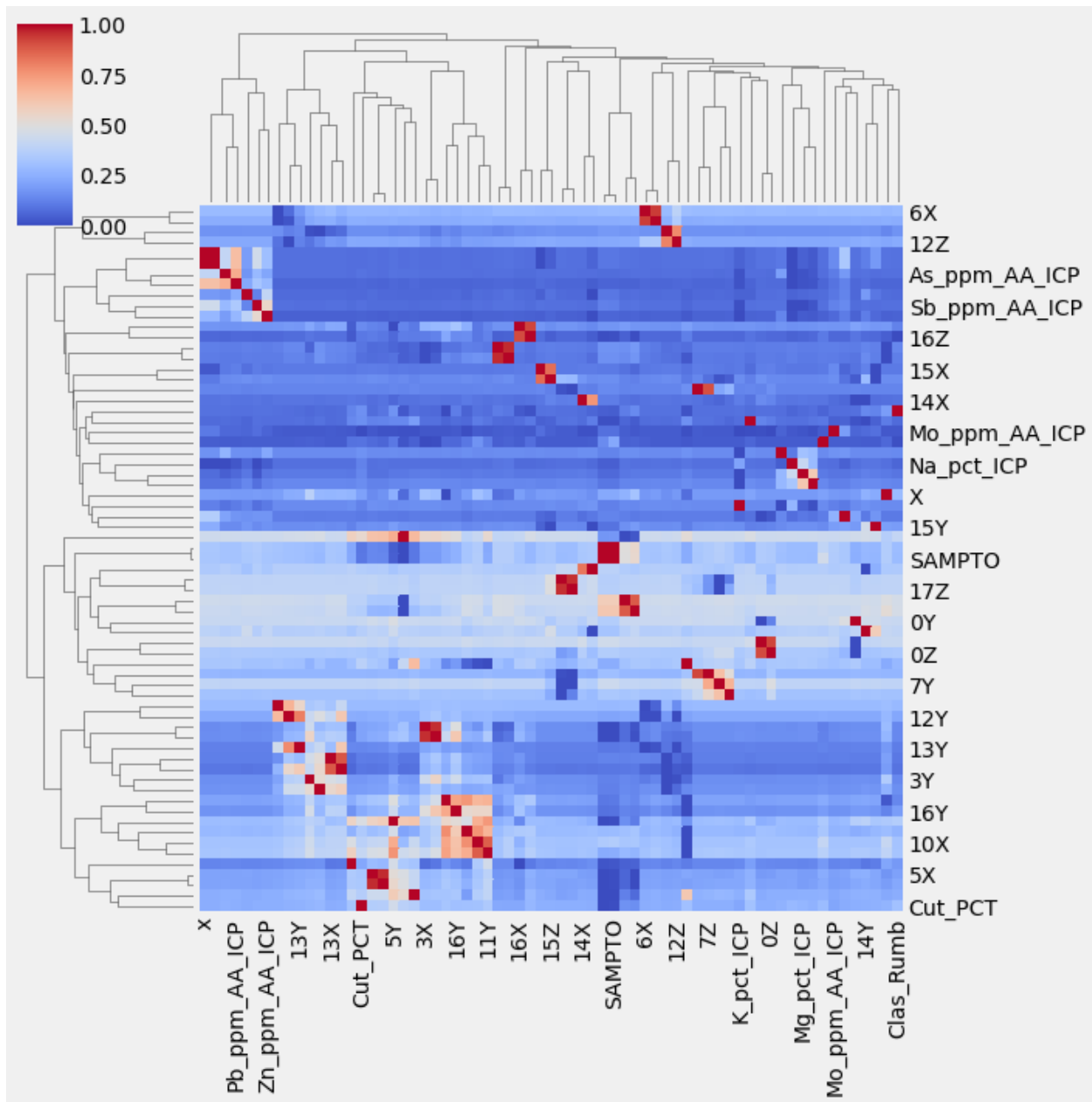
```
### Relationship plot of all variables
```

```
Num_corr=df.corr()
```

```
sns.heatmap(Num_corr)
```



Cluster Map



Normalizing the dataset

```
data_scaled = normalize(df)
```

```
data_scaled = pd.DataFrame(data_scaled, columns=df.columns)
```

```
data_scaled.head()
```

```
Out[45]:
```

```

      x  Au_ppb  Cu_ppm_AA_ICP  ...  SAMPTO  Soporte  Cut_PCT
0  5.136584e-08  0.000002  1.797805e-06  ...  0.000007  4.815548e-08  3.210365e-11

```

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1 1.926214e-08 0.000002 2.568285e-07 ... 0.000007 4.815535e-08 3.210357e-11
2 1.284139e-08 0.000002 2.568279e-07 ... 0.000007 4.815523e-08 3.210348e-11
3 1.284136e-08 0.000002 1.605170e-07 ... 0.000007 4.815511e-08 3.210341e-11
4 1.926200e-08 0.000002 5.457567e-07 ... 0.000007 4.815500e-08 2.889300e-11

```

Machine Learning Regression

```

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=0)

from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression

lm = LinearRegression()

lm.fit(X_train, y_train)

```

##Printing intercept

```

lm.intercept_

-8.209566446935597e-08

```

##Printing the coefficient

```

          Coefficient

Ag_ppm_AA_ICP 1.085413e-04
Au_ppb        -7.813732e-06
Cu_ppm_AA_ICP 5.482249e-07
As_ppm_AA_ICP 1.092640e-05
Pb_ppm_AA_ICP -2.751776e-06
Sb_ppm_AA_ICP 3.965024e-05
Zn_ppm_AA_ICP 5.110316e-06
Na_pct_ICP    1.422139e-02
Mg_pct_ICP    9.138643e-03
Mo_ppm_AA_ICP -2.318827e-04

```

```
X      1.808953e-08
Y      3.377537e-07
Clas_Rumb  2.671339e-04
Gravemetry 6.423099e-04
```

##Prediction

```
model_output = pd.DataFrame(prediction,y_test, columns = ['Prediction'])
model_output.head()
```

Metrics

```
from sklearn import metrics
print('RMSE', np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(y_test,prediction)))
RMSE 1.6144876911655055e-09
```

R²

```
metrics.explained_variance_score(y_test,prediction)
0.025012755908466522
```

Novustack's Mineral Forecast Team Recommendation and Suggestion

Recommendation

The importance of adopting data mining techniques to mining exploration cannot be overemphasized. With the increase in the quality and quantity of exploration data in the last 20 years, there is a need to discover new ways to apply techniques such as data visualization and probabilistic modeling to aid the discovery of economic deposits.

Due to the short time allocated to work on the data, we were able to come up with some results. Although, we believe that there are many more ways the data can be explored to achieve greater proximity to the objective (which is to develop a predictive model using M algorithms that easily identify prospective targets for mining exploration).

Multiple linear regression was the statistical tool of resort as it uses several explanatory variables to predict the outcome of a response variable. It is an extension of linear regression. Although, this method has its limitation in cases of data incompleteness.

Researching for suitable algorithms that could proffer reliable results, the following discoveries were made which could in turn aid the decision-making process on which algorithm is most appropriate.

According to [1], using a dataset with known mineral deposits' locations, exploration characteristics can be selected by applying probabilistic modeling to predict the probability estimates of discovering other possible economic deposits. Although this approach will provide useful results, its shortcomings are a result of the basic assumptions of its weights of evidence. But, a method like randomForest has proven to be effective due to the algorithm's random selection scenarios of both sample and variable, reducing the correlation among the individual decision trees, increasing the diversity of the forest avoiding overfitting. Algorithms like support vector machine (SVM) works best when there is a binary classification (mineral occurrence or non-occurrence) based on careful selection of the data inputs.

Research articles have shown that neural network and kernel methods are most widely used algorithms for data related to mining exploration due to the enormous benefits it offers which include:

The back-propagation procedure of ANN computes the output errors between the predicted value and real target value which is fed back to the ANN, and then ANN tunes the weights and biases in the network to minimize the output error

References

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