Lab Number: 1

Title
Preprocessing of Primary and Secondary Datasets Containing Dirty Data

Objective
To understand and practically perform data preprocessing on a dirty dataset using Weka Explorer.

IDE/Tools Used
Weka 3.8.6

Theory
Dirty Data: A dirty dataset refers to a collection of data that contains inaccuracies, inconsistencies, and errors, which can compromise its usefulness and reliability for analysis, reporting, or decision-making

Types of Dirty Data
- Missing Data
- Duplicate Records
- Inconsistent Values
- Noise
- Outliers

Data Preprocessing: Data preprocessing is the process of cleaning, transforming, and organizing raw data into a structured format that is ready for analysis or use in machine learning models.

- **Cleaning:** Involves handling missing values, removing duplicates, and correcting errors to make the data accurate and consistent.
- **Transformation:** Involves converting data into a suitable format. Examples include standardizing numerical features, normalizing data, or encoding categorical variables.
- **Integration:** Combines data from multiple sources into a single, unified dataset for analysis.

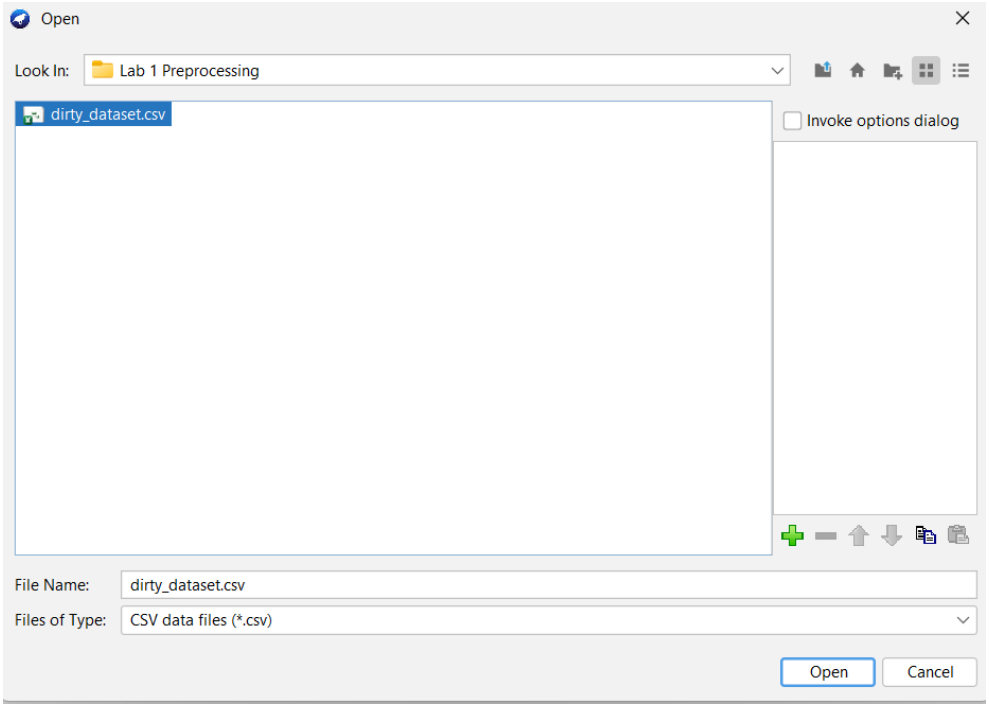
Implementation

A. For Primary Dataset

For primary dataset, a customer churn data was generated.

Steps used to clean the data:

1. Open the dataset in the pre-processor of WEKA



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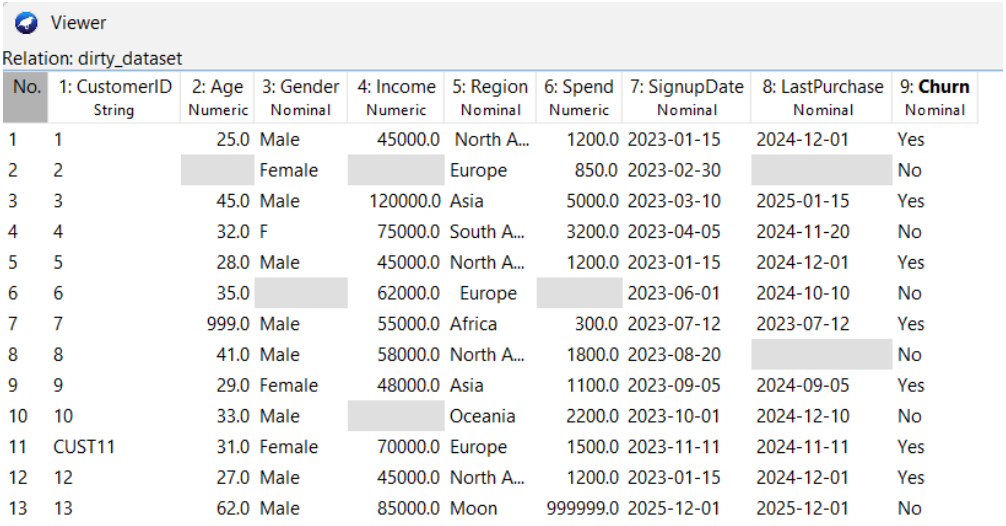

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Relation: dirty_dataset

No.	1: CustomerID String	2: Age Numeric	3: Gender Nominal	4: Income Numeric	5: Region Nominal	6: Spend Numeric	7: SignupDate Nominal	8: LastPurchase Nominal	9: **Churn** Nominal
1	1	25.0	Male	45000.0	North A...	1200.0	2023-01-15	2024-12-01	Yes
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3	3	45.0	Male	120000.0	Asia	5000.0	2023-03-10	2025-01-15	Yes
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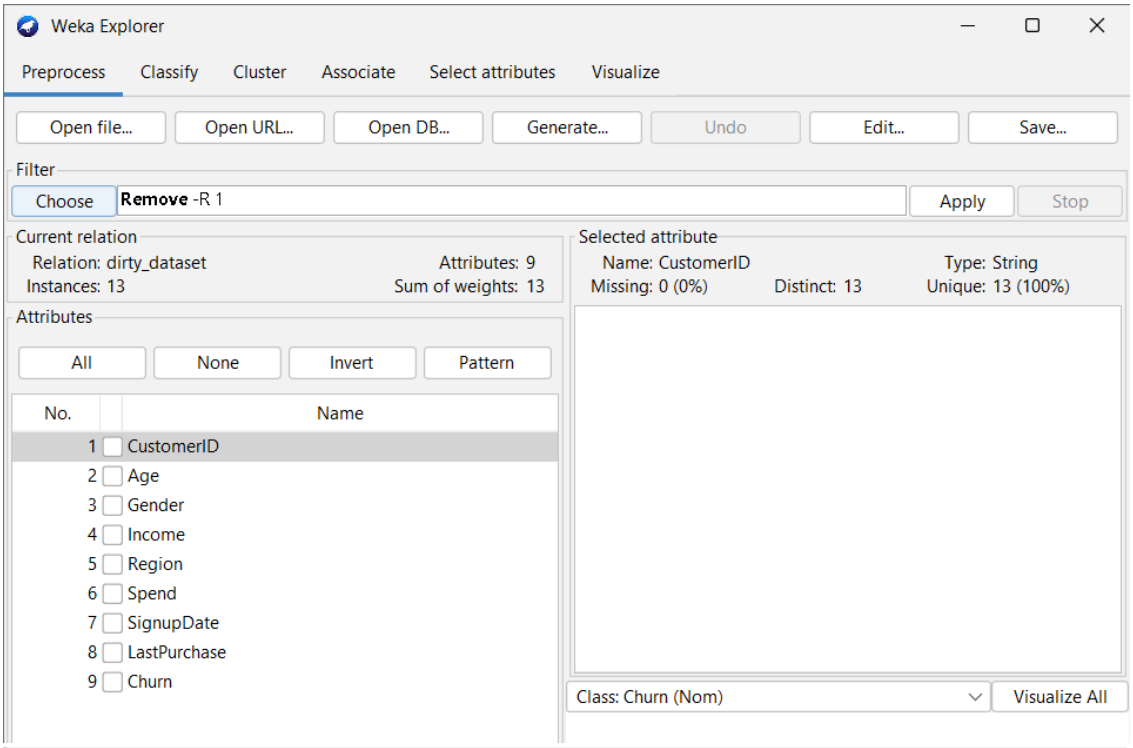
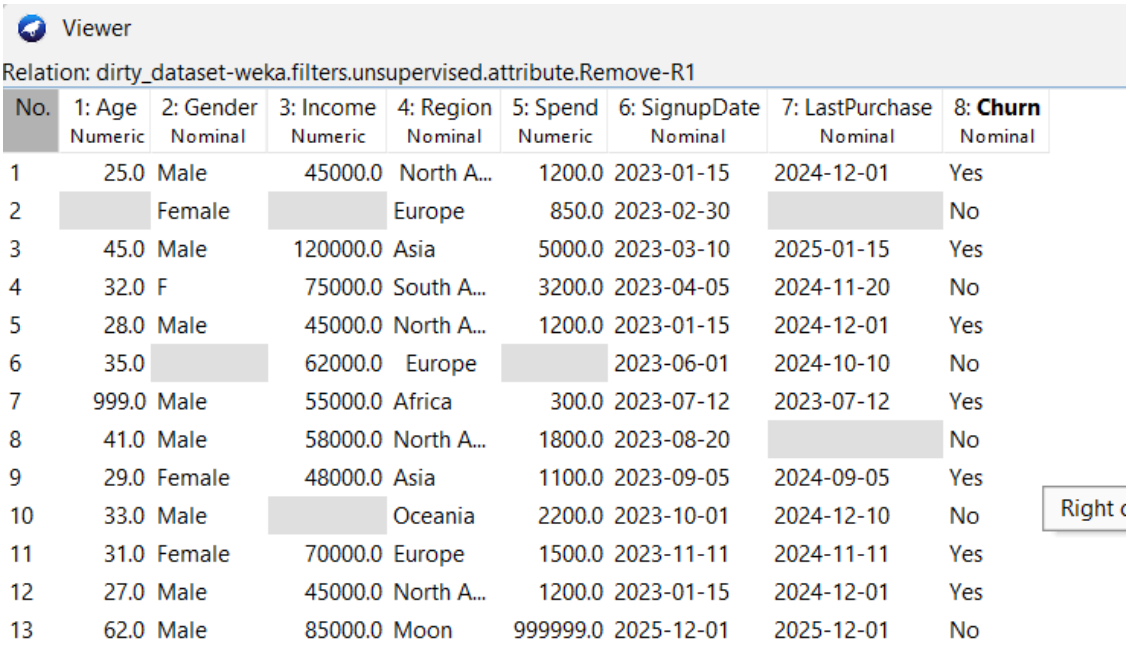
12	12	27.0	Male	45000.0	North A...	1200.0	2023-01-15	2024-12-01	Yes
13	13	62.0	Male	85000.0	Moon	999999.0	2025-12-01	2025-12-01	No

3. Remove unwanted columns

In this case CustomerID was removed using the unsupervised.attribute.Remove filter





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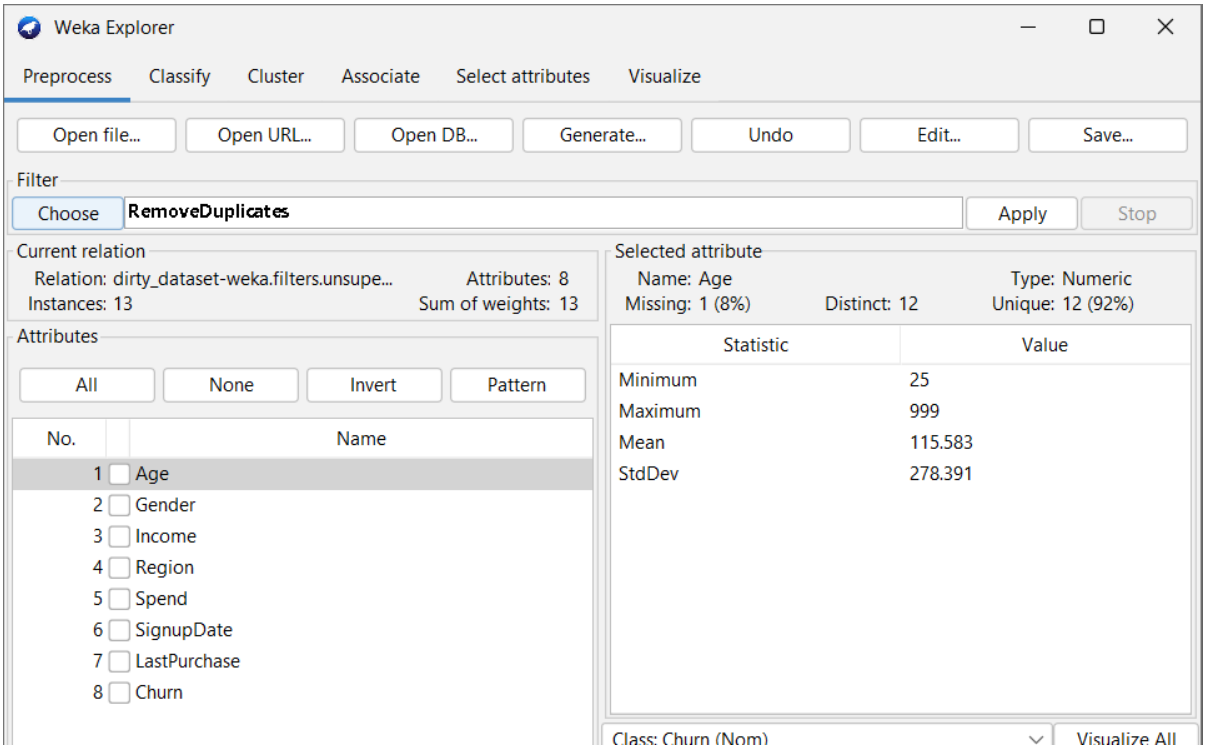
4. Remove any duplicate values

In this case this was done using the unsupervised.instance.RemoveDuplicates filter.



5. Replace any missing values

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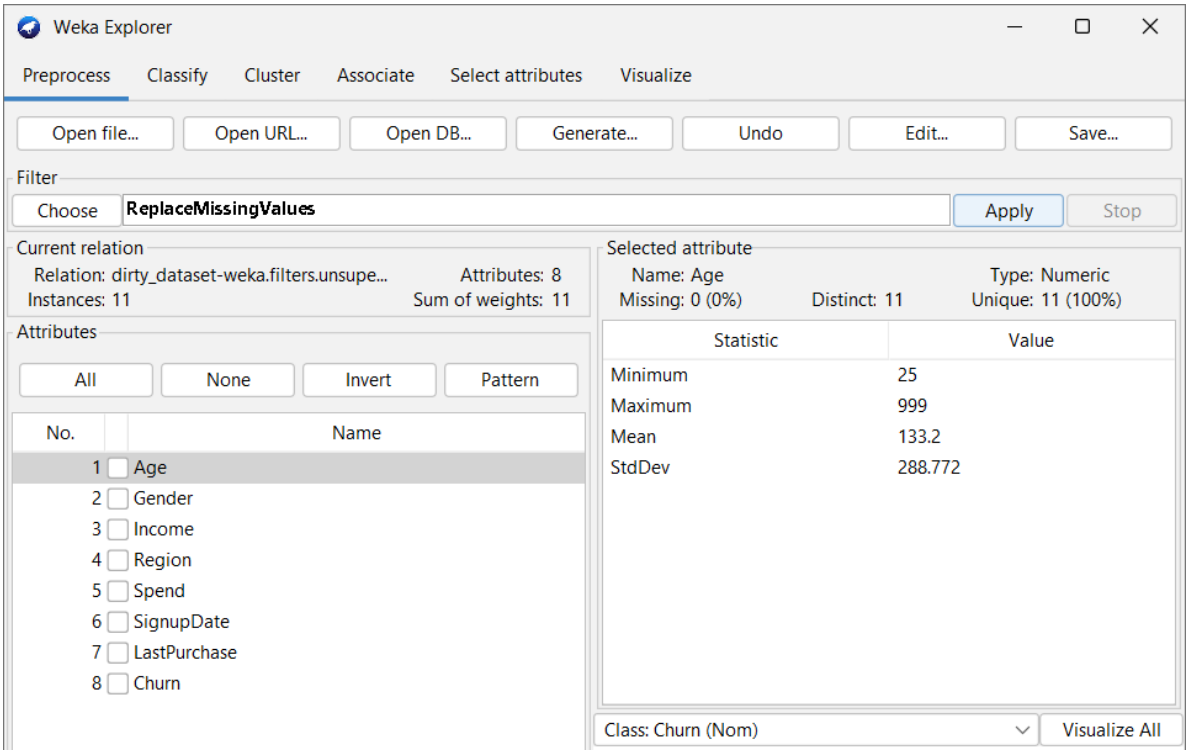
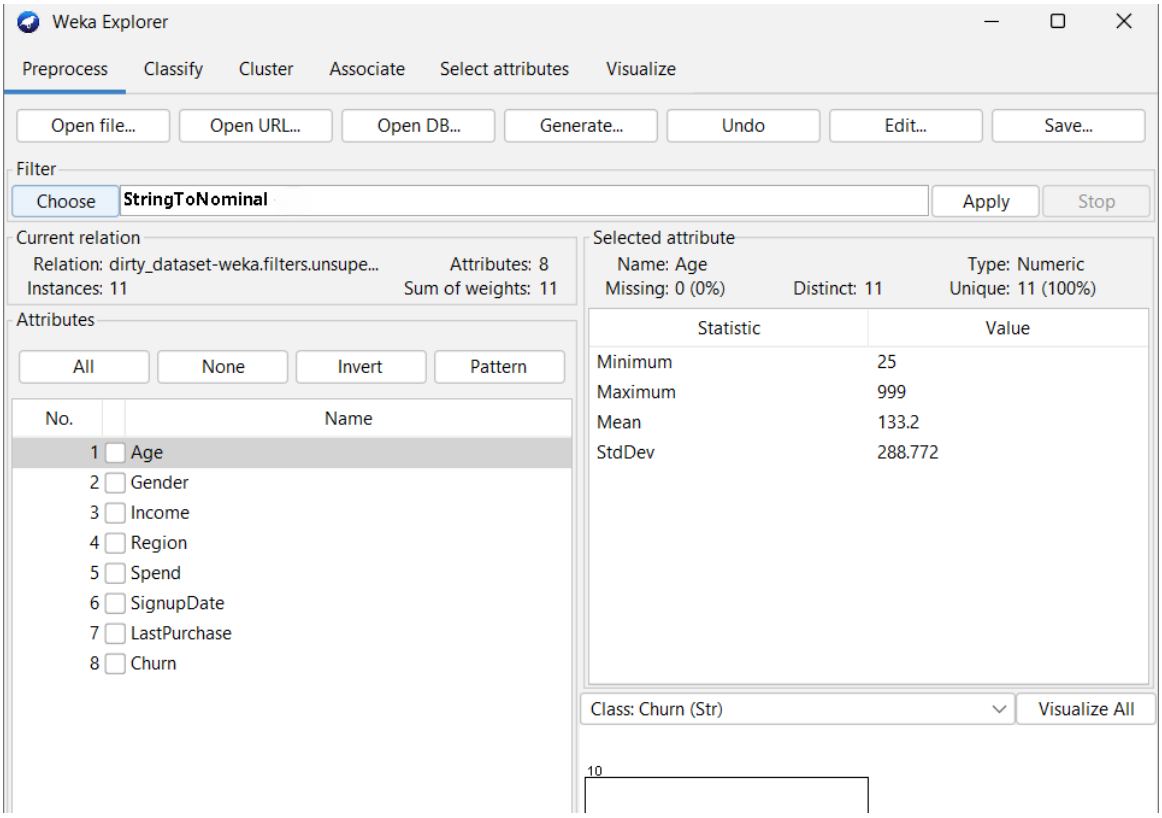


6. Convert string into nominal values

This is done using the unsupervised.attribute.StringToNominal filter.

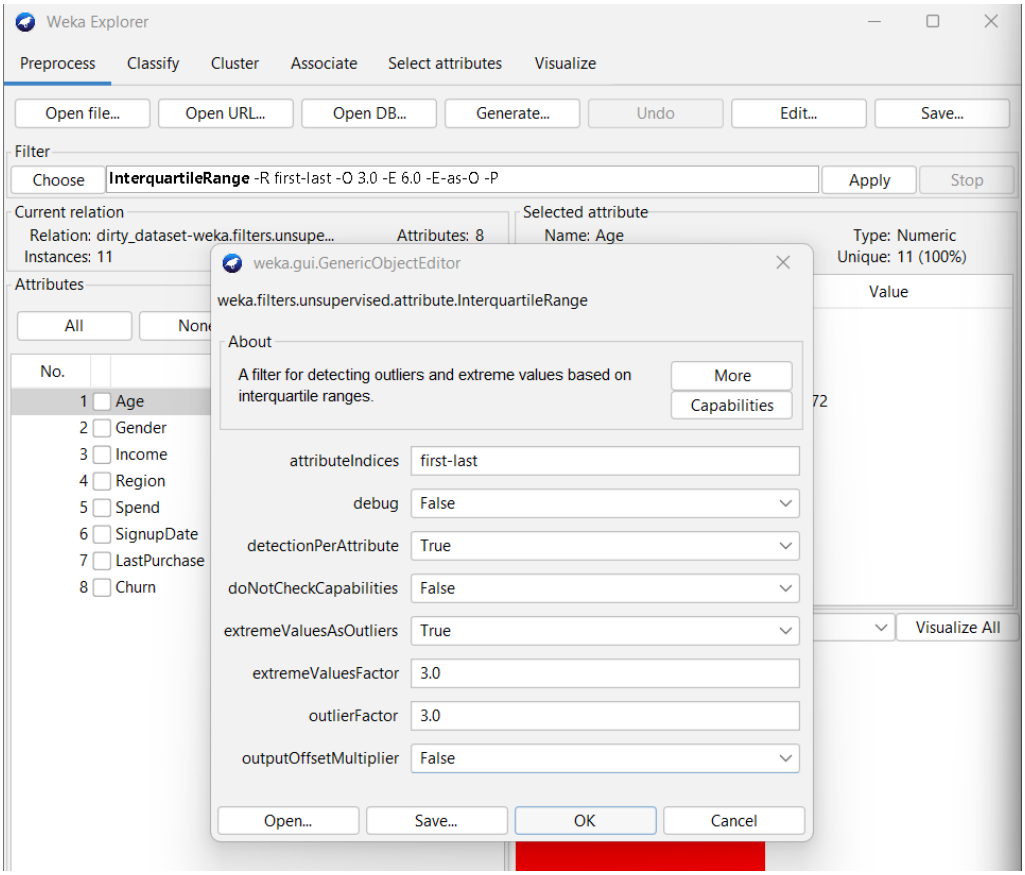


7. Removing Outliers

To remove Outliers, we perform the following steps:

7.1. Interquartile Range

Choose Interquartile Range filter from unsupervised.attribute.InterquartileRange and select the following settings. This will give outlier and extreme values in the dataset.



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No.	1: Age Numeric	2: Gender Nominal	3: Income Numeric	4: Region Nominal	5: Spend Numeric	6: SignupDate Nominal	7: LastPurchase Nominal	8: Age_Outlier Nominal	9: Age_ExtremeValue Nominal	10: Income_Outlier Nominal	11: Income_ExtremeValue Nominal	12: S
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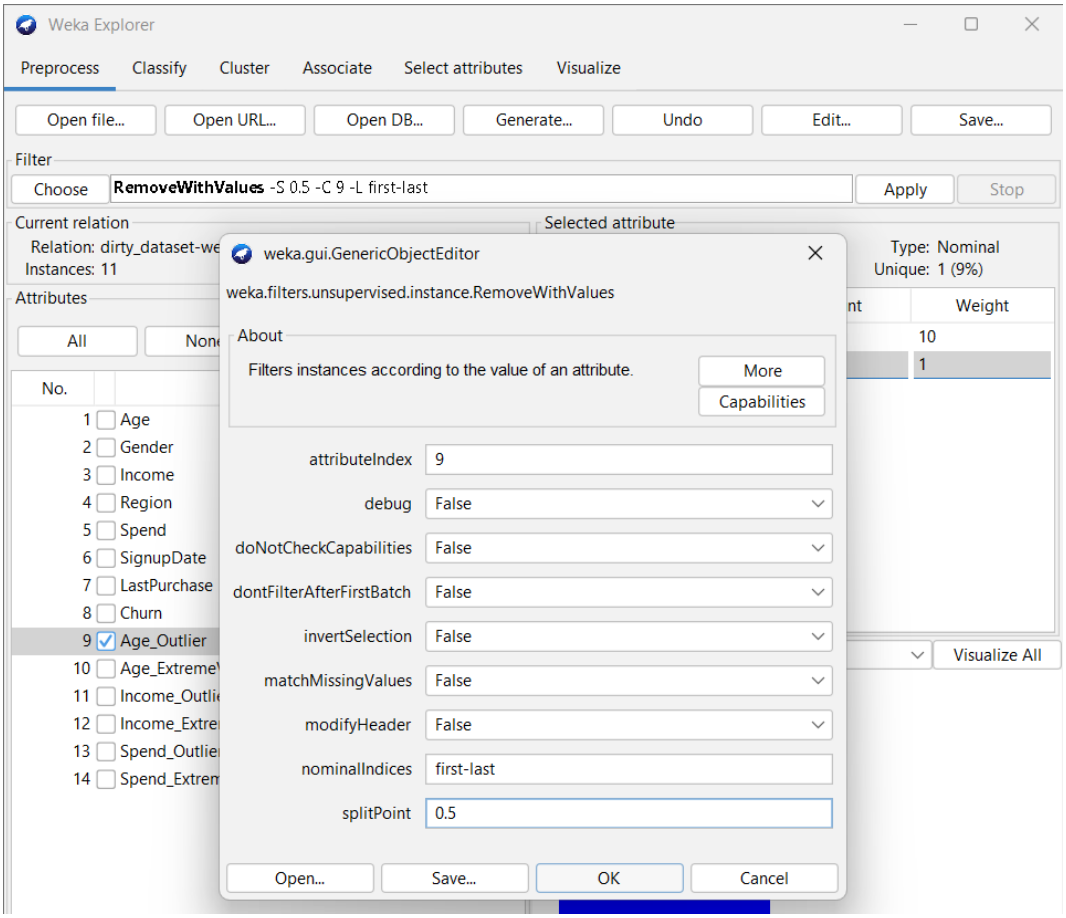
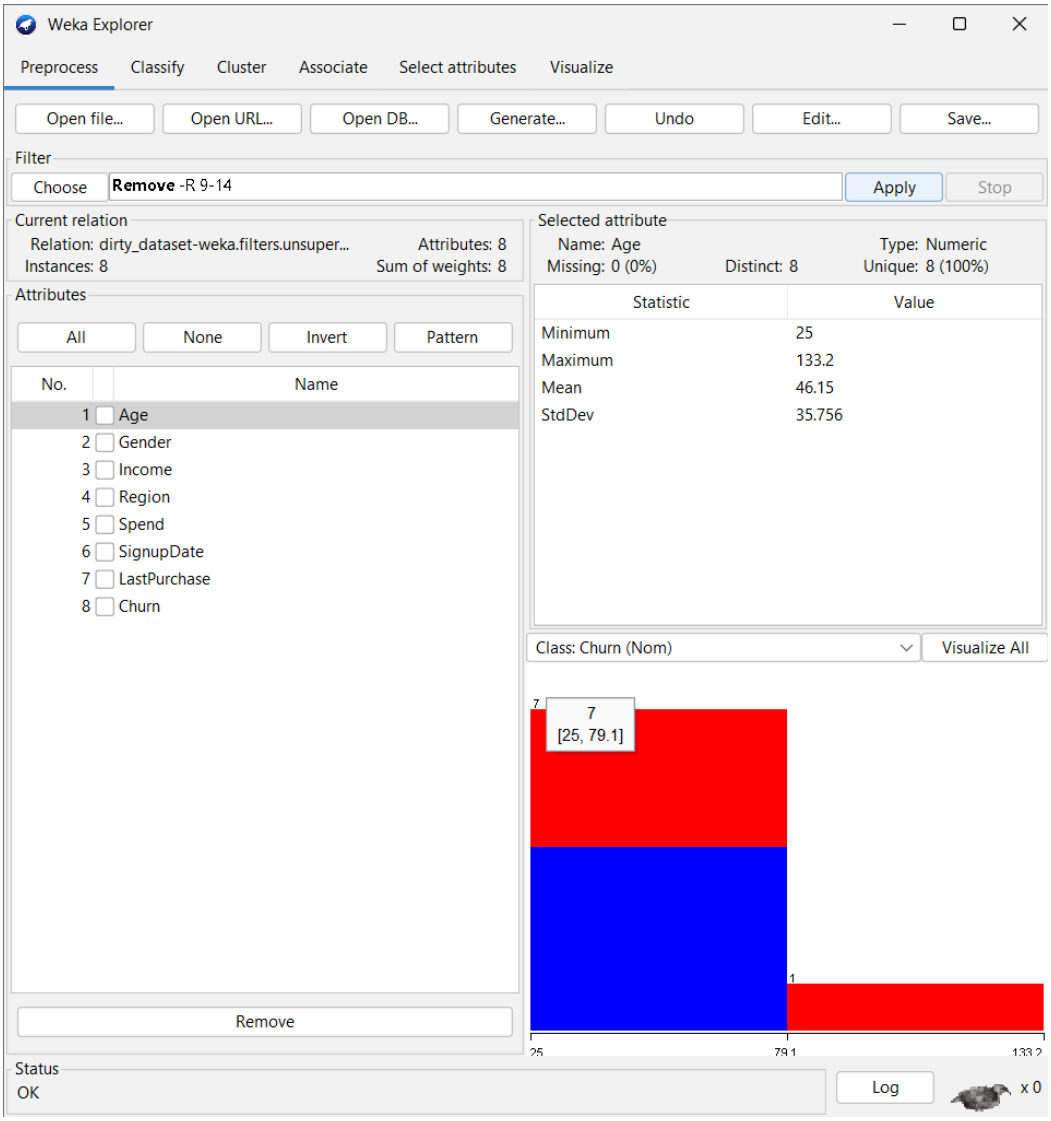
7.2. Remove rows with outliers

To remove the outlier, we use unsupervised.instance.RemoveWithValues filter and apply the following preferences and repeat for attribute indices Age_Outlier, Income_Outlier, and Spend_Outlier (i.e. 9, 11, 13). Here splitPoint is 0.5 because, “No” = 0 and “Yes” = 1, so anything beside “No” will be deleted.



7.3. Remove the columns created

Finally remove the columns from 9 to 14 by unsupervised.attribute.Remove filter.



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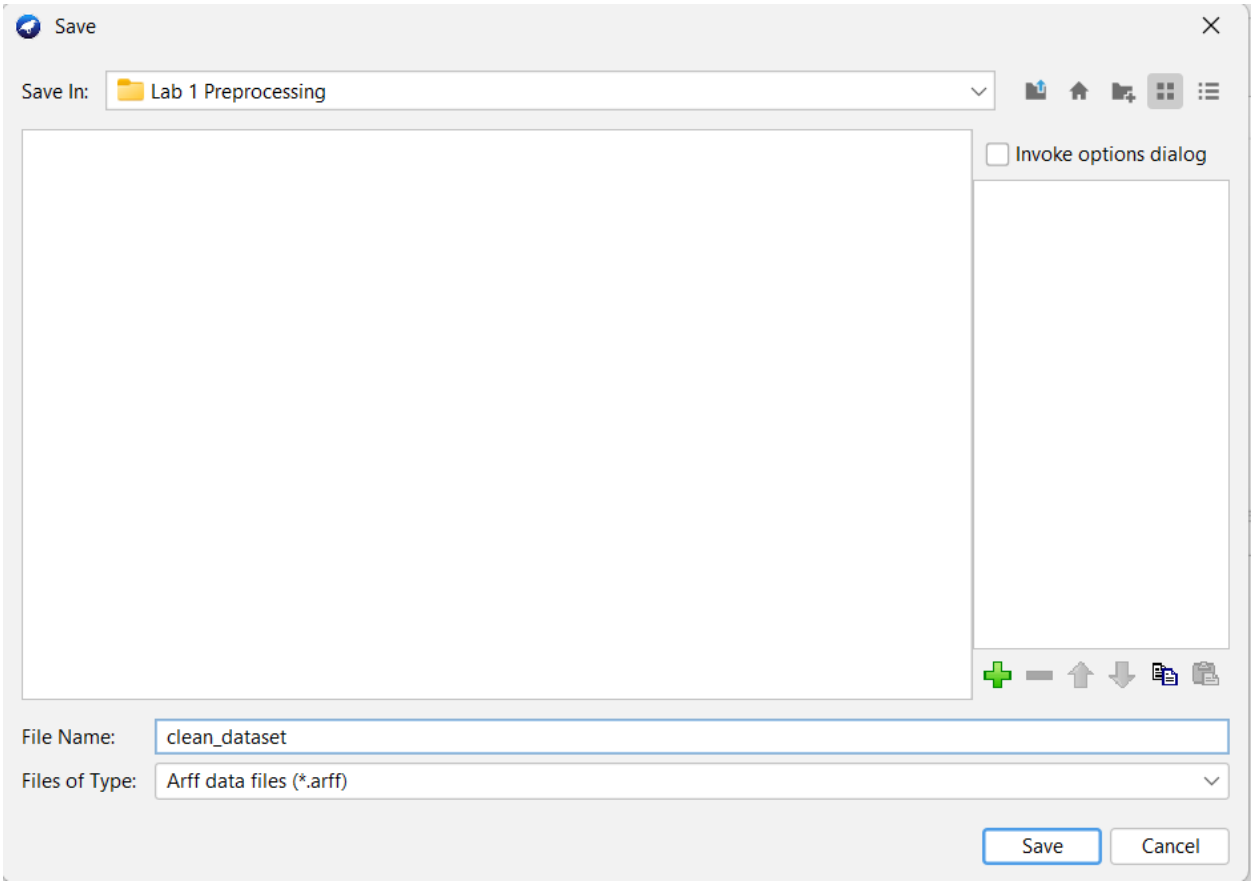

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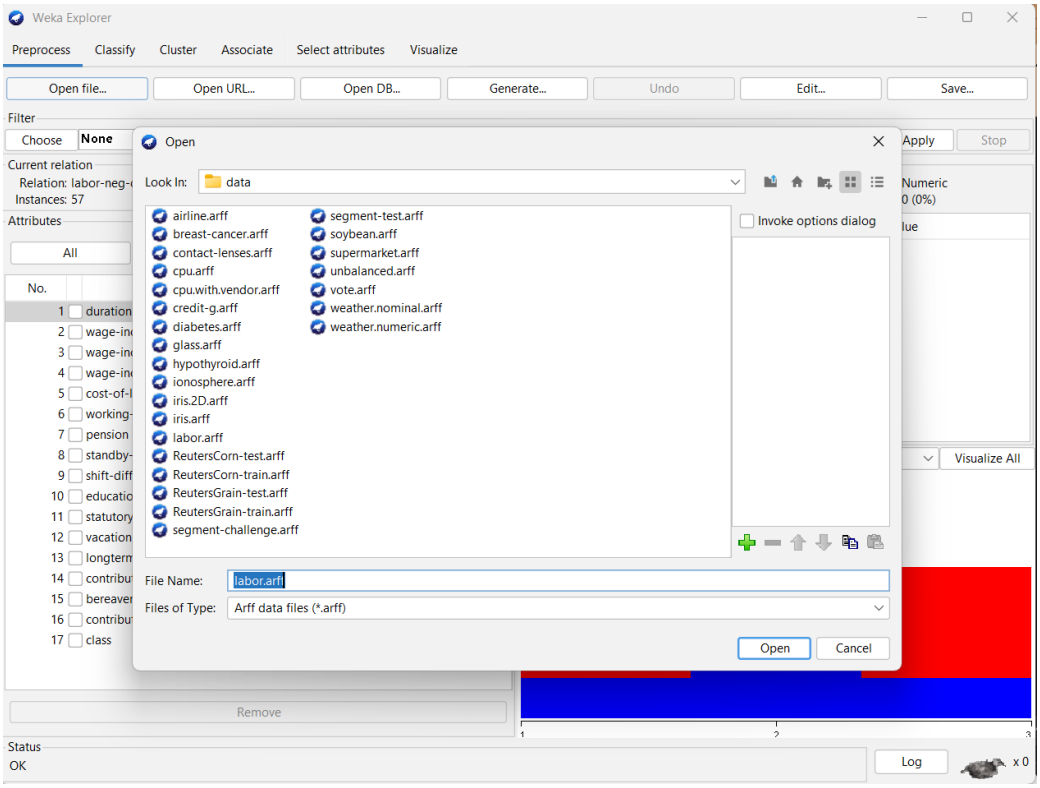

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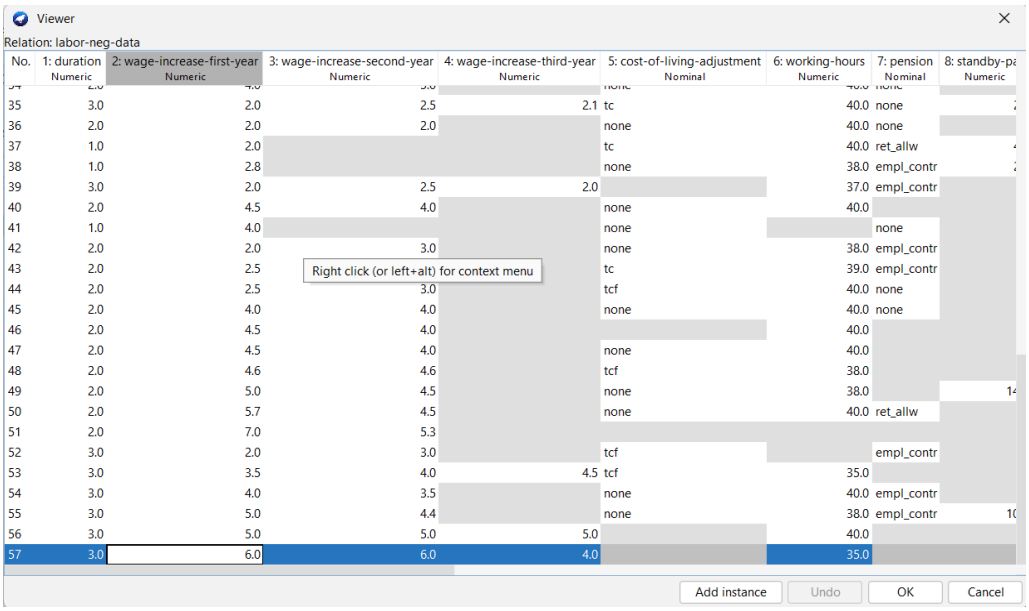

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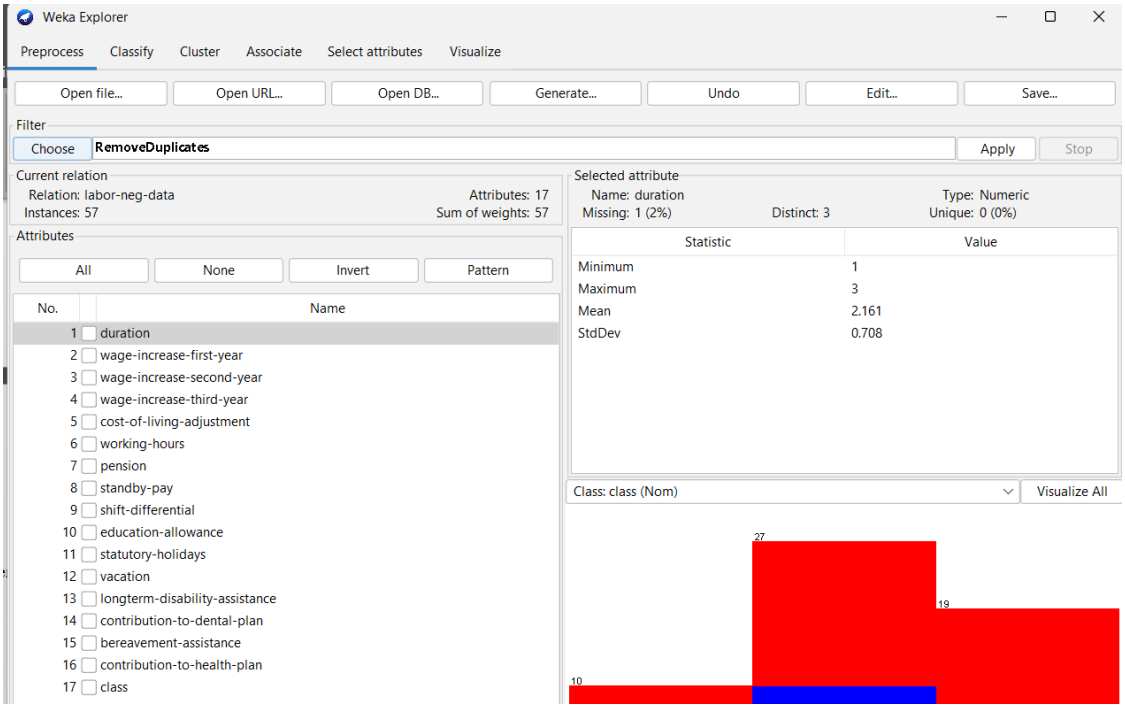

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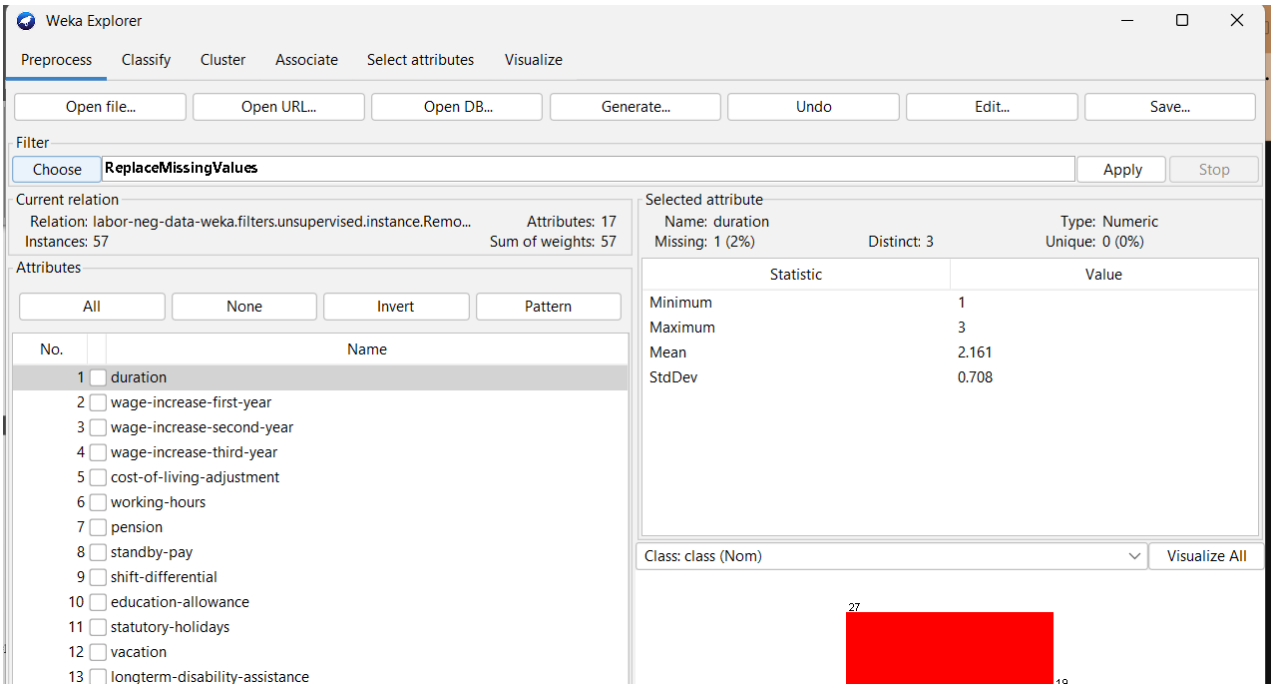

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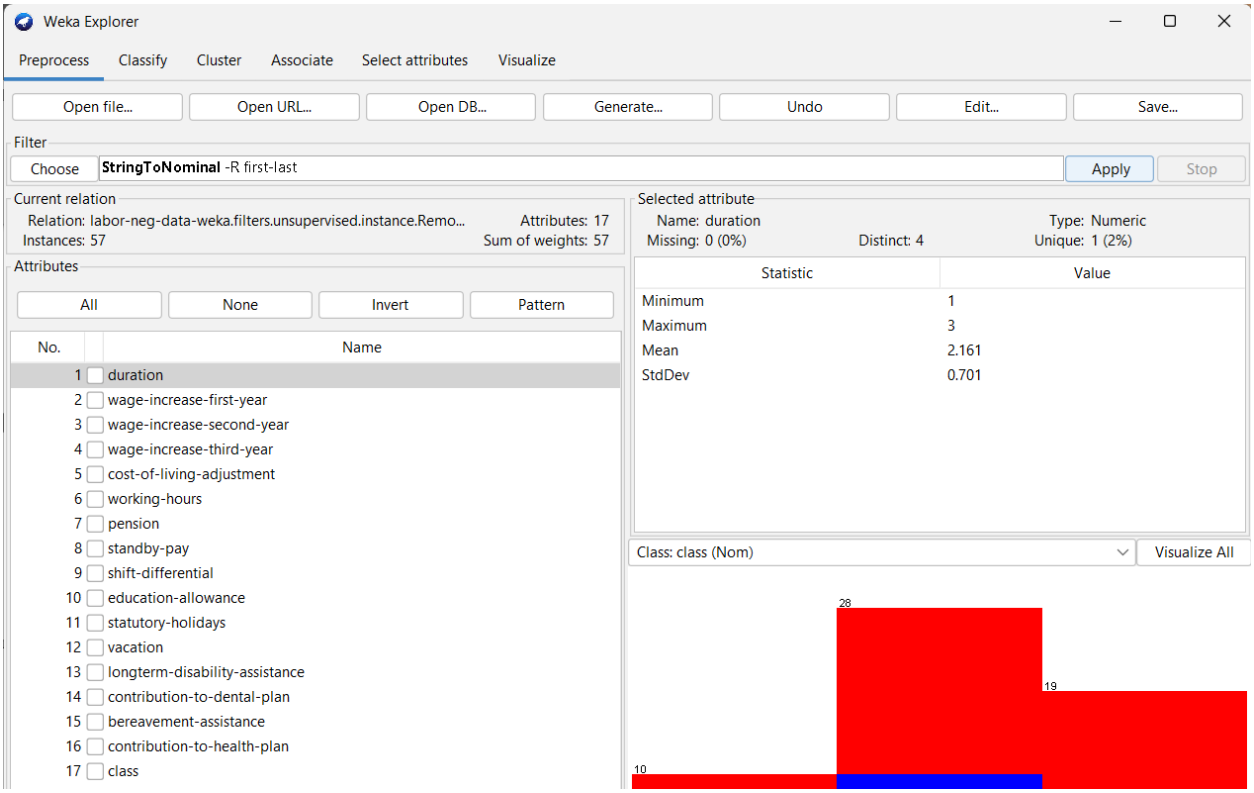

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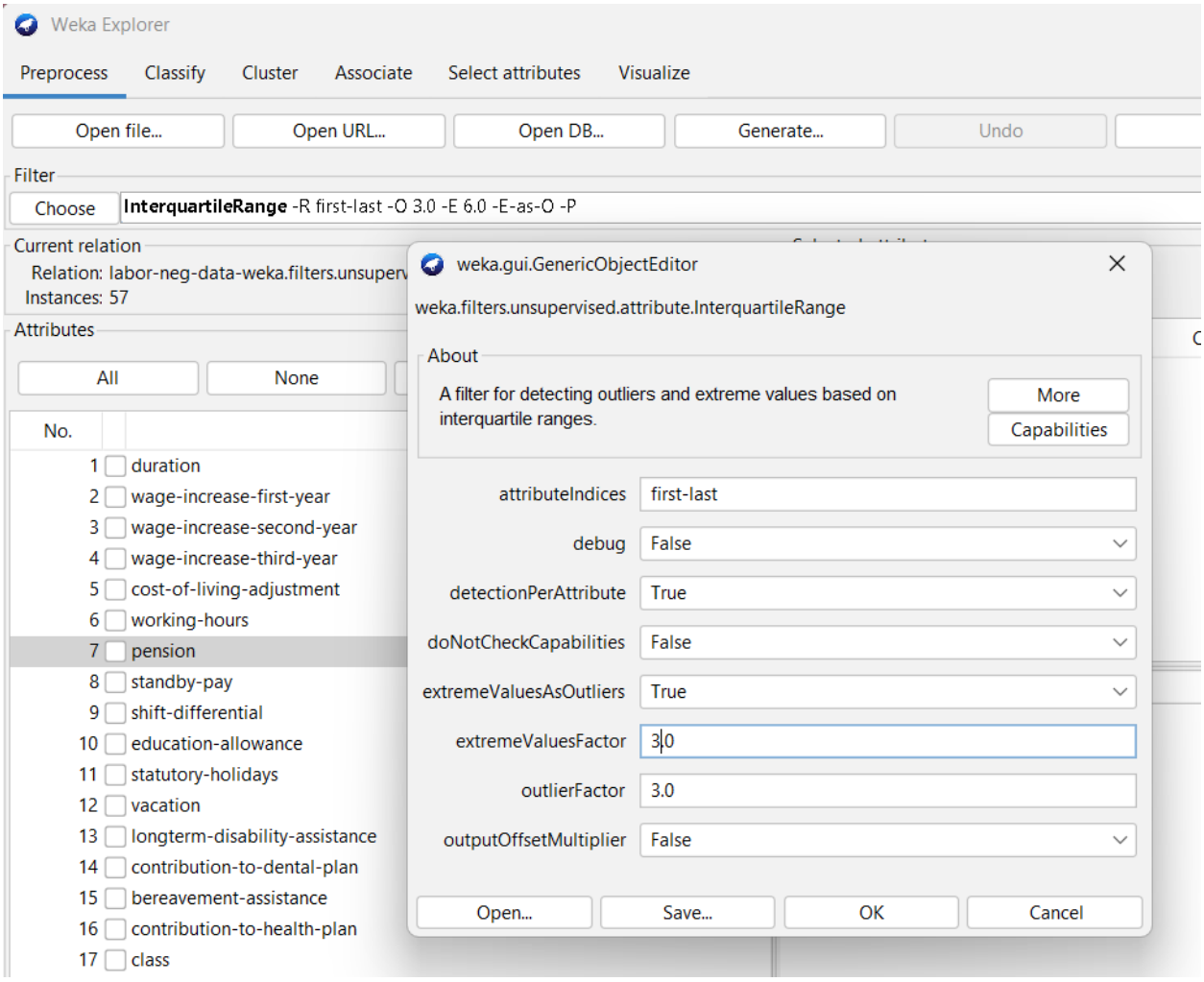

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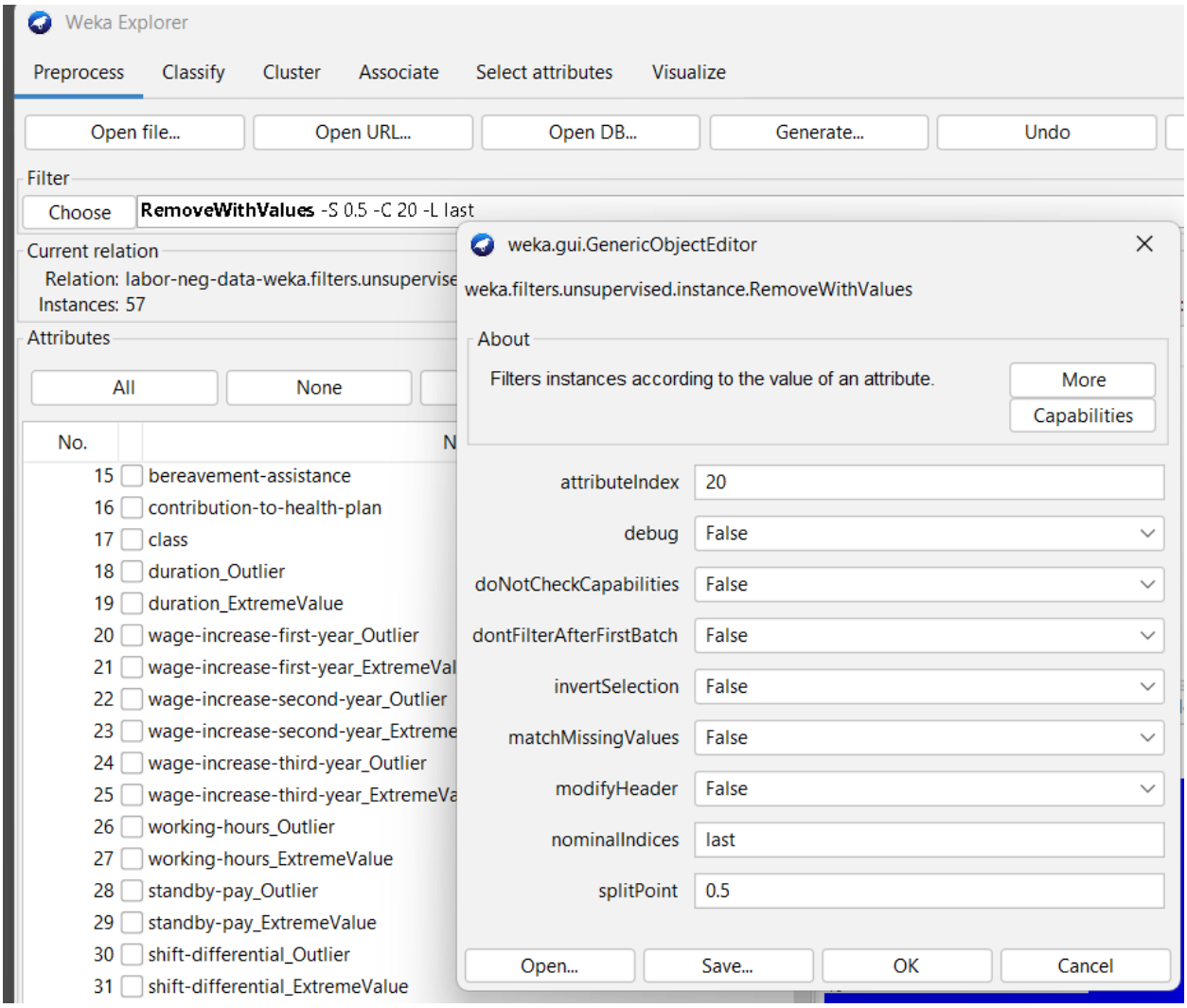

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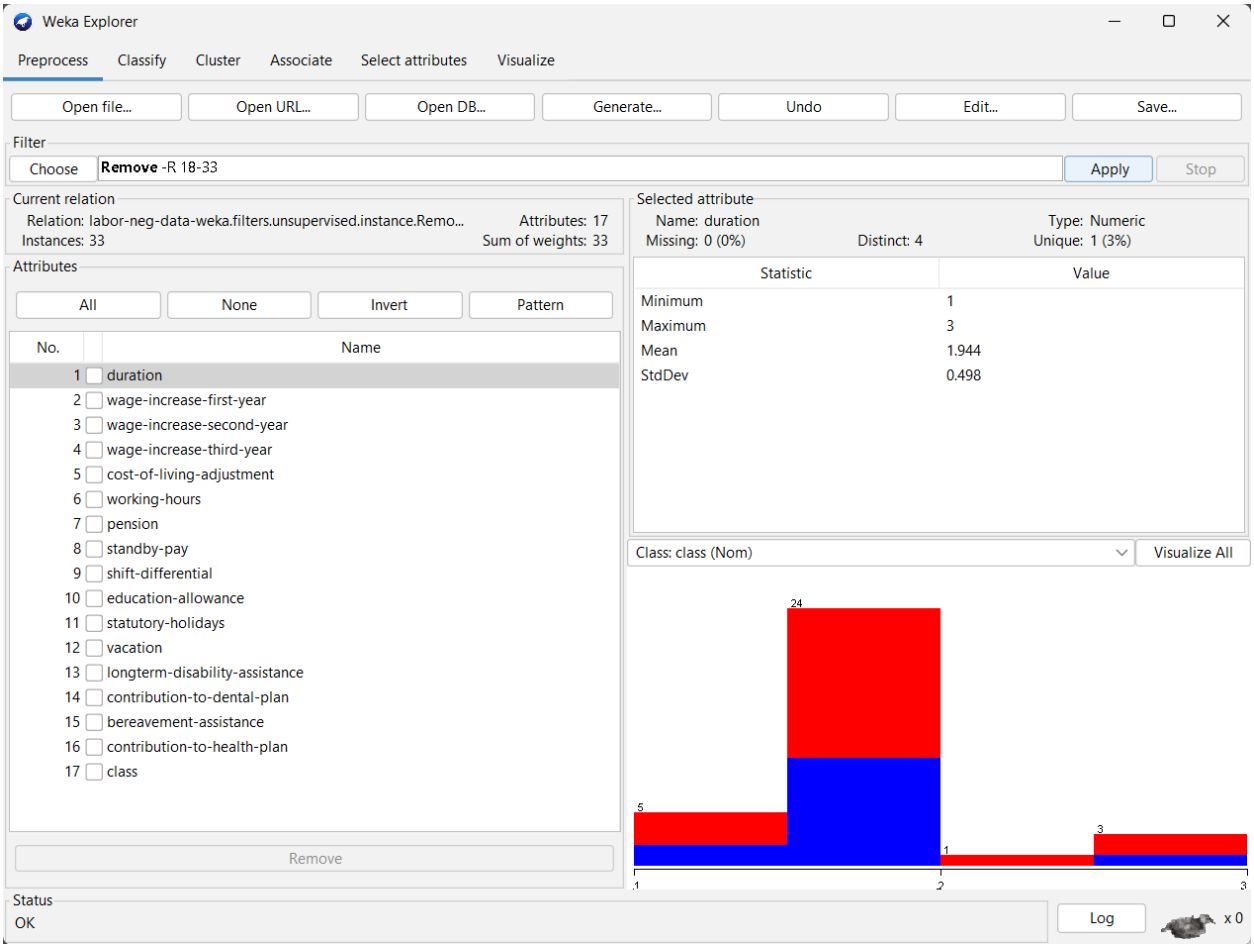

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