

SUPERVISED AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

(Master in Artificial Intelligence, UPC-URV-UB)

Spring semester, Course 2019/2020

March 5th, 2019

Practical Work 1 (PW1, Individual): a rule-based classifier

The objective of this exercise is to implement and validate a *rule-based classifier*. Each student has a concrete rule-based classifier to implement according to this formula:

$$\text{NumCla} = \text{NumStud} \bmod 4$$

where,

mod is the remainder operator of the integer division

$\text{NumCla} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Rule-Based Classifier} = \text{RULES}$

$\text{NumCla} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{Rule-Based Classifier} = \text{PRISM}$

$\text{NumCla} = 2 \Rightarrow \text{Rule-Based Classifier} = \text{CN2}$

$\text{NumCla} = 3 \Rightarrow \text{Rule-Based Classifier} = \text{RISE}$

The implemented classifier will be evaluated in several domains. The main steps that students must undertake are listed below.

The NumStud is provided in a separate file (NumStud-SEL-1920.pdf).

Procedure

1. *Implement the corresponding rule-based classifier assigned to you in your selected programming language (Java, C++, R, Python, etc.).*
 - a. *The classifier must be able to read a supervised dataset in csv file format*
 - b. *Then, it should induce the set of rules from the training data set*
 - c. *The set of rules should be displayed in an interpretable way*
 - d. *The coverage and precision of each rule must be computed*
2. *Implement a rule interpreter being able to apply a set of classification rules to a validation/test dataset, obtaining the corresponding classification accuracy values.*
3. *Evaluate the set of rules obtained with the classifier, in at least 3 databases (one small, one medium and one large). You can use databases from UCI ML repository or other sources. Small \approx (# instances ≤ 500), Medium \approx ($500 < \text{\# instances} \leq 2000$), and Large \approx (# instances > 2000).*

Deliverable

A ZIP file labelled as “PW1-SEL-1920-NameSurname”, delivered through “Racó de la FIB” (in the “Practical” tab) with the following content:

1. A folder named **“Documentation”** with a report (maximum 20 pages on 10 pt. letter size) containing:
 - a. Pseudo-code of *your implemented algorithm* of the rule-based classifier
 - b. Evaluation of results for all the tested databases:
 - i. Set of rules obtained with coverage and precision
 - ii. Comments on the interpretation of the rules
 - iii. Classification accuracy results
 - c. Precise instructions on how to execute the code
 - d. Other comments
2. A folder named **“Data”** with the files with the original dataset/s or database/s used both for training and for testing.
3. A folder named **“Source”** containing the source code of the implementation
4. An **executable object file** (*.jar, etc.), if available
5. A **README.txt** file specifying the structure and contents of the ZIP file

Students must deliver the ZIP file on **26/3/2020**.

Qualification

The qualification of this work will take into account the quality/functionality of the software delivered (correctness, efficiency and scalability), the robustness of the code, and the written documentation delivered.

PW1 is due on March 26th, 2020