Assignment 6 - Dimension Reduction

Assignment was solved using Weka 3.8.4.

Feature selection

Configuration

Classifier evaluator was set to CfsSubsetEval. From Weka docs:

"Evaluates the worth of a subset of attributes by considering the individual predictive ability of each feature along with the degree of redundancy between them."



Fig 1. Attribute Evaluator is set to CfsSubsetEval. Search Method is set to Best Method

Output

```
Selected attributes: 5,7,12,17 : 4

odor

gill-spacing

stalk-surface-above-ring

veil-color
```

The most discriminative features are odor, gill-spacing, stalk-surface-above-ring and veil-color.

Plots

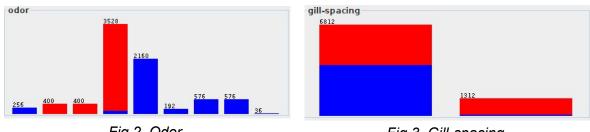


Fig 2. Odor Fig 3. Gill-spacing

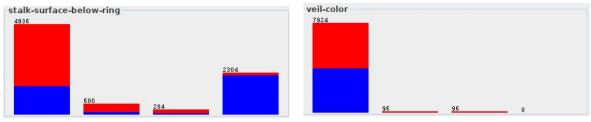


Fig 4. Stalk-surface-above-ring

Fig 5. Veil-color

We can see from the plots that the feature selection is good.

Principal Components Analysis

Configuration

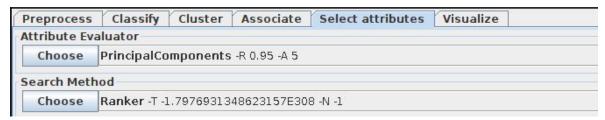


Fig 6. Attribute Evaluator is set to PrincipalComponents. Search Method is set to Ranker

Output

Transform back to original = true

```
Ranked attributes:
   110 habitat=l
1
   35 gill-color=n
    37 gill-color=p
1
    38 gill-color=w
    39 gill-color=h
1
1
    36 gill-color=g
1
     34 gill-color=k
1
    41 gill-color=e
1
    33 gill-size
     30 odor=m
1
    31 gill-attachment
1
     32 gill-spacing
1
```

Transform back to original = false

```
Ranked attributes:
0.9106 1
0.257stalk-surface-below-ring=k+0.256stalk-surface-above-ring=k+0.234ring-type=l+0.231odor=f-0.215ring-type=p...
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The above combination of features explain the most variance in the dataset.

PCA features vs feature selection

There are some overlaps. Both odor and gill-spacing occur in both.