

# CSDA1010SUMA18 - LAB EXERCISE 3: Classification Problem

```
library(readr)
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)
library(rpart)
library(rpart.plot)
library(Amelia)
library(rattle)
library(RColorBrewer)
library(caret)
```

## Nursery Data Set reference and short description

Source: <http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Nursery>

| class values

not\_recom, recommend, very\_recom, priority, spec\_prior

| attributes

parents: usual, pretentious, great\_pret.  
has\_nurs: proper, less\_proper, improper, critical, very\_crit.  
form: complete, completed, incomplete, foster.  
children: 1, 2, 3, more.  
housing: convenient, less\_conv, critical.  
finance: convenient, inconv.  
social: nonprob, slightly\_prob, problematic.  
health: recommended, priority, not\_recom.

```
nursery_data <- read.csv("http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/nursery/nursery.data")
```

```
# nursery_data <- read.csv(file = "../data/nursery_data.csv")
```

## Data Set exploration and cleaning

```
set.seed(77)
dim(nursery_data)
```

```
## [1] 12960 9
```

```
#head(nursery_data)
#str(nursery_data)
```

## Coding for categorical variables

### Reorder factors

Very often, especially when plotting data, we need to reorder the levels of a factor because the default order is alphabetical. A direct way of reordering, using standard syntax is as follows.

Current levels, need to be corrected to correspond to the dataset description

```
print(levels(nursery_data$parents))

## [1] "great_pret" "pretentious" "usual"
print(levels(nursery_data$has_nurs))

## [1] "critical" "improper" "less_proper" "proper" "very_crit"
print(levels(nursery_data$form))

## [1] "complete" "completed" "foster" "incomplete"
print(levels(nursery_data$children))

## [1] "1" "2" "3" "more"
print(levels(nursery_data$housing))

## [1] "convenient" "critical" "less_conv"
print(levels(nursery_data$finance))

## [1] "convenient" "inconv"
print(levels(nursery_data$social))

## [1] "nonprob" "problematic" "slightly_prob"
print(levels(nursery_data$health))

## [1] "not_recom" "priority" "recommended"
print(levels(nursery_data$class))

## [1] "not_recom" "priority" "recommend" "spec_prior" "very_recom"
```

Correction:

```
nursery_data$parents <- factor(nursery_data$parents,levels(nursery_data$parents)[c(3,2,1)])
nursery_data$has_nurs <- factor(nursery_data$has_nurs,levels(nursery_data$has_nurs)[c(4,3,2,1,5)])
nursery_data$form <- factor(nursery_data$form,levels(nursery_data$form)[c(1,2,4,3)])
nursery_data$children <- factor(nursery_data$children,levels(nursery_data$children)[c(1,2,3,4)])
nursery_data$housing <- factor(nursery_data$housing,levels(nursery_data$housing)[c(1,3,2)])
nursery_data$finance <- factor(nursery_data$finance,levels(nursery_data$finance)[c(1,2)])
nursery_data$social <- factor(nursery_data$social,levels(nursery_data$social)[c(1,3,2)])
nursery_data$health <- factor(nursery_data$health,levels(nursery_data$health)[c(1,3,2)])
nursery_data$class <- factor(nursery_data$class,levels(nursery_data$class)[c(1,3,5,2,4)])
```

Corrected levels, now correspond to the dataset description

```
print(levels(nursery_data$parents))

## [1] "usual" "pretentious" "great_pret"
```

```

print (levels(nursery_data$has_nurs))

## [1] "proper"      "less_proper" "improper"    "critical"    "very_crit"
print (levels(nursery_data$form))

## [1] "complete"    "completed"   "incomplete"  "foster"
print (levels(nursery_data$children))

## [1] "1"    "2"    "3"    "more"
print (levels(nursery_data$housing))

## [1] "convenient" "less_conv"  "critical"
print (levels(nursery_data$finance))

## [1] "convenient" "inconv"
print (levels(nursery_data$social))

## [1] "nonprob"      "slightly_prob" "problematic"
print (levels(nursery_data$health))

## [1] "not_recom"    "recommended" "priority"
print (levels(nursery_data$class))

## [1] "not_recom"    "recommend"    "very_recom"   "priority"     "spec_prior"

```

## Convert to numbers in one step

[Ref] (<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/47922184/convert-categorical-variables-to-numeric-in-r>)

```

data <- data.matrix(nursery_data)
head(data)

##      parents has_nurs form children housing finance social health class
## [1,]      1      1    1      1      1      1      1      2      2
## [2,]      1      1    1      1      1      1      1      3      4
## [3,]      1      1    1      1      1      1      1      1      1
## [4,]      1      1    1      1      1      1      2      2      2
## [5,]      1      1    1      1      1      1      2      3      4
## [6,]      1      1    1      1      1      1      2      1      1

```

## Preparing scaled data and split into train and test

```

index <- sample(1:nrow(data), round(0.75*nrow(data)))
#index <- createDataPartition(y= data$QLT, p=0.5, list = FALSE)
maxs <- apply(data, 2, max)
mins <- apply(data, 2, min)
scaled <- as.data.frame(scale(data, center = mins, scale = maxs - mins))
train_ <- scaled[index,]
test_ <- scaled[-index,]

```

## The problem

### Distribution of target value in the dataset

The target value class of the wine quality is not equally distributed. The Figure 1 demonstrates the distribution. As we can see, dataset covers mostly medium-quality wines with QLT between 5 and 7 well, low and high quality wines represented poorly.

```
prop.table(table(nursery_data$class))

##
##  not_recom  recommend  very_recom  priority  spec_prior
## 0.333333333 0.000154321 0.025308642 0.329166667 0.312037037

ggplot(data = nursery_data, mapping = aes(x = class)) + geom_bar()
```

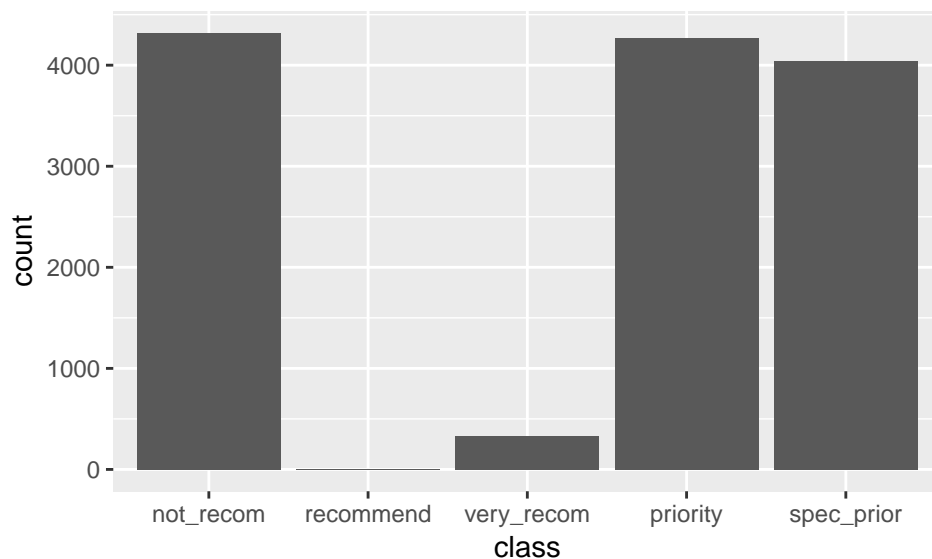


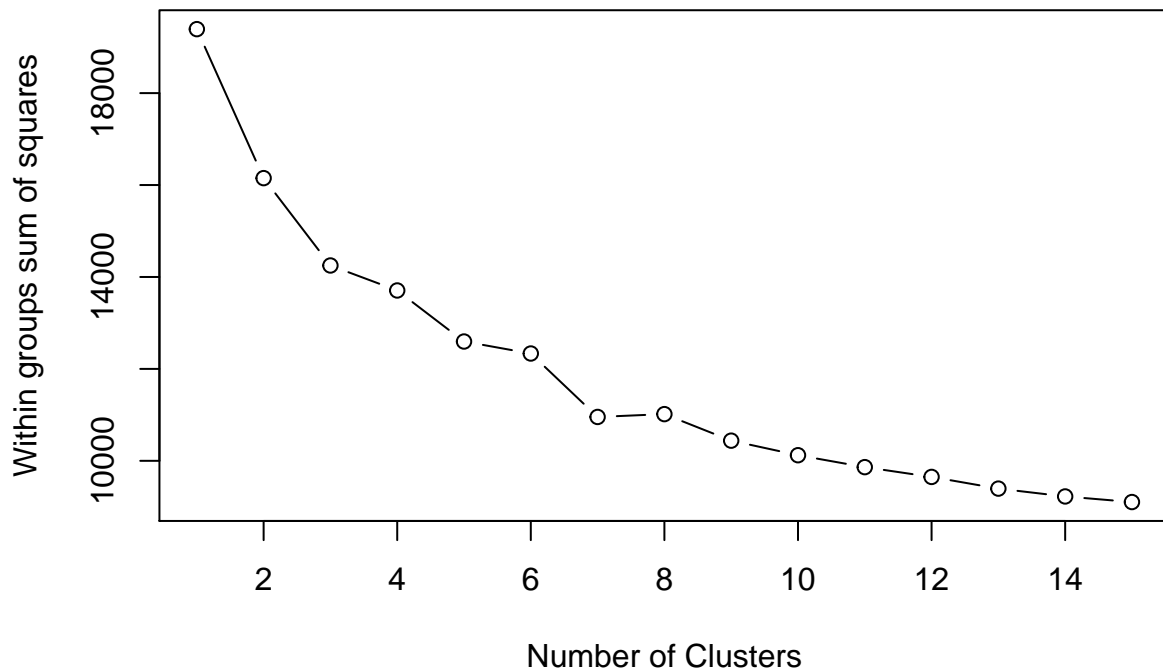
Figure 1: Distribution the Target 'class' Attribute in the Nursery Dataset

## Clustering

A fundamental question is how to determine the value of the parameter  $k$ . If we look at the percentage of variance explained as a function of the number of clusters: One should choose a number of clusters so that adding another cluster doesn't give much better modeling of the data. More precisely, if one plots the percentage of variance explained by the clusters against the number of clusters, the first clusters will add much information (explain a lot of variance), but at some point the marginal gain will drop, giving an angle in the graph. The number of clusters is chosen at this point, hence the 'elbow criterion'.

```
wssplot <- function(data, nc=15, seed=1234){
  wss <- (nrow(data)-1)*sum(apply(data,2,var))
  for (i in 2:nc){
    set.seed(seed)
    wss[i] <- sum(kmeans(data, centers=i)$withinss)}
  plot(1:nc, wss, type="b", xlab="Number of Clusters",
       ylab="Within groups sum of squares")}
```

```
wssplot(scaled, nc=15)
```



## Clustering using K-means method

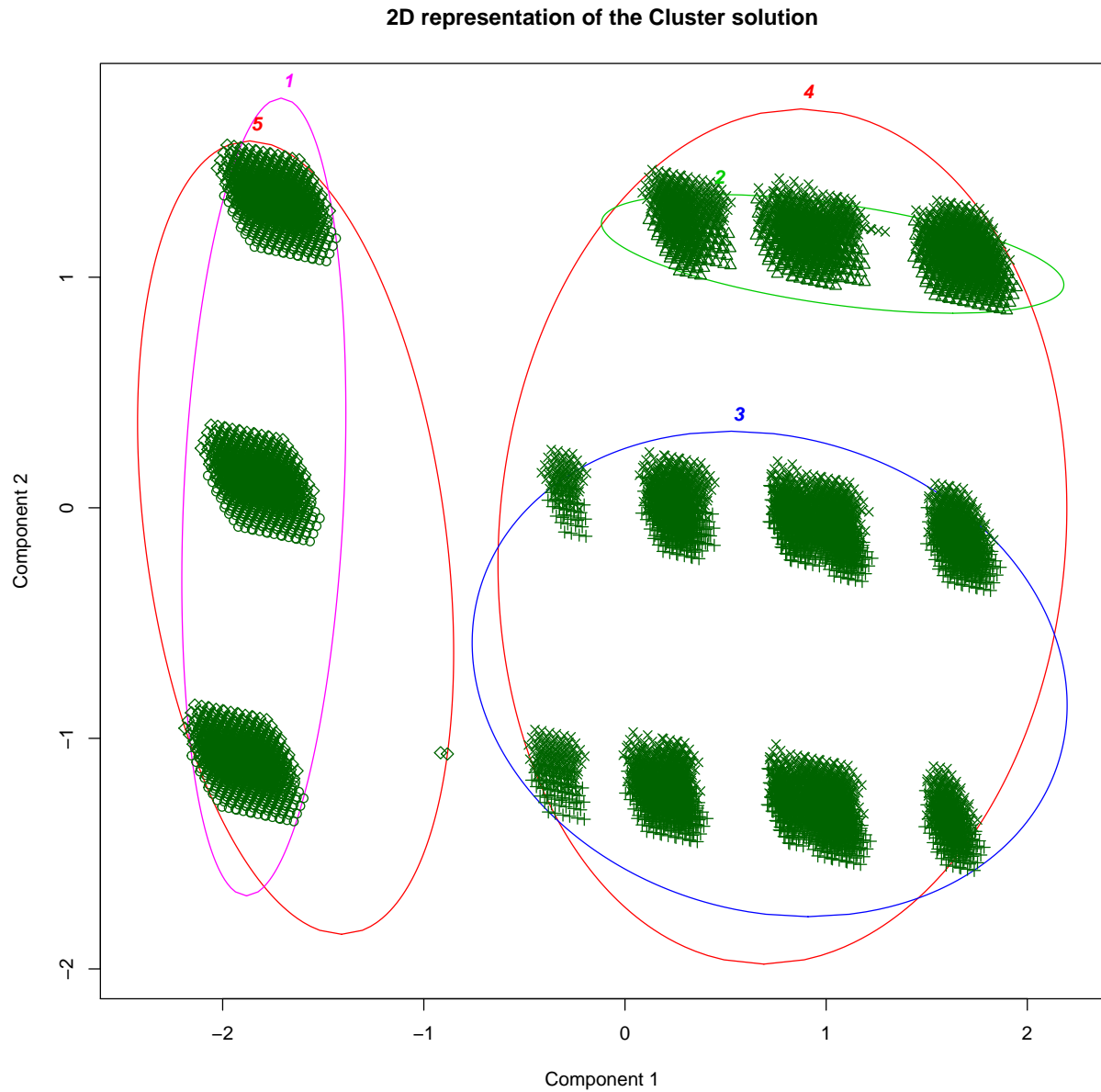
```
set.seed(420)
clusters_num = 5
k.means.fit <- kmeans(scaled, clusters_num, iter.max = 1000)
# attributes(k.means.fit)
k.means.fit$centers
```

```
##      parents  has_nurs      form  children  housing finance      social
## 1 0.5000000 0.5000000 0.5000000 0.5000000 0.5000000      1 0.5000000
## 2 1.0000000 0.5000000 0.5000000 0.5000000 0.5000000      1 0.5000000
## 3 0.2500000 0.5000000 0.5000000 0.5000000 0.5000000      1 0.5000000
## 4 0.5002316 0.5002316 0.5002316 0.5002316 0.5002316      0 0.5001158
## 5 0.4995375 0.4995375 0.4995375 0.4995375 0.4995375      0 0.4997687
##           health      class
## 1 0.0000000000 0.0000000000
## 2 0.7500000000 0.9399305556
## 3 0.7500000000 0.8354166667
## 4 0.7501157943 0.8448355720
## 5 0.0004625347 0.0002312673
```

```
# plot(k.means.fit$centers[,c("RS", "ALC")])
# k.means.fit$cluster
k.means.fit$size
```

```
## [1] 2160 1440 2880 4318 2162
```

```
library(cluster)
clusplot(scaled, k.means.fit$cluster, main='2D representation of the Cluster solution',
         color=TRUE, shade=FALSE,
         labels=clusters_num, lines=0)
```



## Explain clusters

### Explain by 'class'

Let's try to explain clusters by the 'class'. Code below builds a matrix where columns are cluster numbers and rows are target classes.

```
table(nursery_data$class, k.means.fit$cluster)
```

```
##
##           1      2      3      4      5
## not_recom 2160    0      0      0 2160
## recommend    0      0      0      0      2
## very_recom    0      0  110  218      0
## priority      0  346 1676 2244      0
## spec_prior    0 1094 1094 1856      0
```

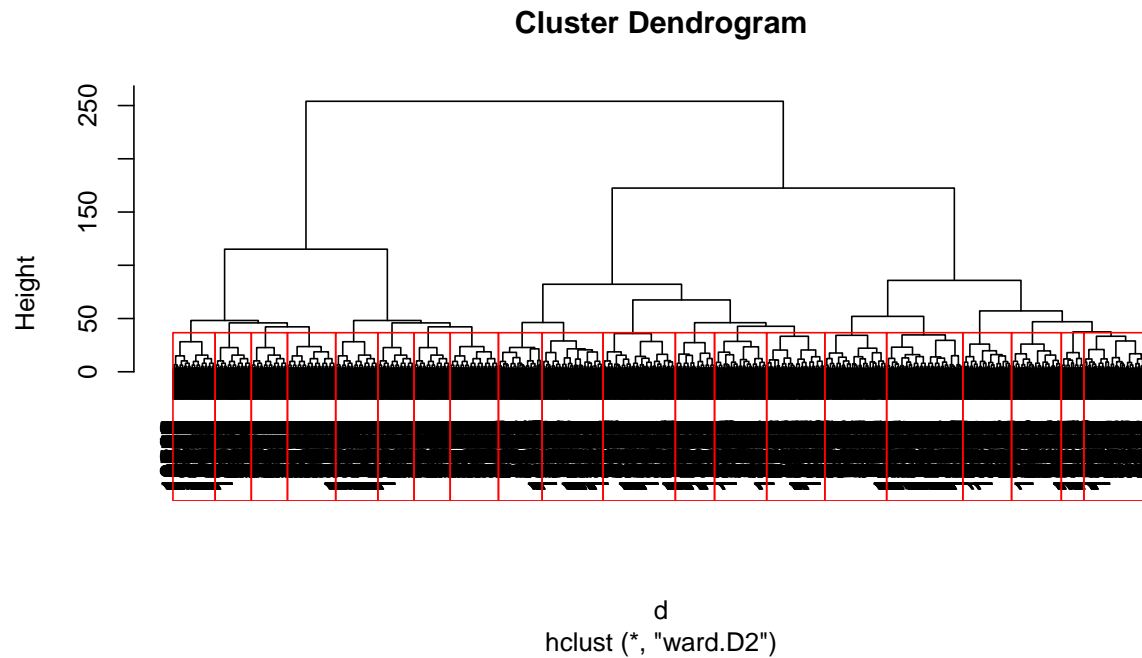
## Hierarchical Clustering

Hierarchical methods use a distance matrix as an input for the clustering algorithm. The choice of an appropriate metric will influence the shape of the clusters, as some elements may be close to one another according to one distance and farther away according to another. We use the Euclidean distance as an input for the clustering algorithm. Ward's minimum variance criterion minimizes the total within-cluster variance:

```
d <- dist(scaled, method = "manhattan")
H.fit <- hclust(d, method="ward.D2")
```

The clustering output can be displayed in a dendrogram

```
clusters_num = 20
plot(H.fit)
groups <- cutree(H.fit, k=clusters_num)
rect.hclust(H.fit, k=clusters_num, border="red")
```



The clustering performance can be evaluated with the aid of a confusion matrix as follows. Let's look at the groups that have mixed values of 'class'. Group 1 contains class 'recommend' and also 'very\_recom' and 'priority'. Since our idea is reliable rows to 'recommend' to increase its presence, let's check if there is any justification to do this.

```
table(nursery_data$class, groups)
```

```
##           groups
##           1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8    9   10   11   12
## not_recom    0  640    0  480    0  640    0  480    0  480    0  480
## recommend     2    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
## very_recom  208    0    0    0  100    0    0    0   10    0   10    0
## priority    650    0  636    0  416    0  400    0  650    0  562    0
## spec_prior   10    0   10    0  176    0  560    0    0    0    8    0
##           groups
##           13   14   15   16   17   18   19   20
## not_recom     0    0    0    0    0  560    0  560
## recommend     0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
## very_recom     0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
## priority    404    0    8  300    0    0  240    0
## spec_prior   368  820  800    0 1012    0  280    0
```

Let's find what are the most significant factors that separate group 1 from also mixed group 5. It looks that group 1 has a less favorable financial situation. We could arbitrarily say that it is justified for reliable group 1 downgrading it to 'recommend' even though most of the rows were previously labeled higher.

```
dif <- colMeans(scaled[groups == 1,]) - colMeans(scaled[groups == 5,])
dif <- dif[order(abs(dif), decreasing = T)]
print(dif)
```

```
##      finance      form      housing      class      parents      children
## -1.00000000  0.22487985 -0.12126437 -0.08550262  0.06343100 -0.05783004
##      health      has_nurs      social
```



```
## -0.03638629 -0.02445020 0.01551724
```

Group 5 has significant amount of 'very\_recommend' values in addition to 'priority'. Let's find what are the most significant factors that separate group 5 from also mixed group 8. It looks that group a has more vavorable financial situation. We could arbitrary say that it is justified for relable group 1 down grading it to 'recommend' even thogh most of therows were previouslbeen labeled higher.

```
dif <- colMeans(scaled[groups == 5,]) - colMeans(scaled[groups == 9,])
dif <- dif[order(abs(dif), decreasing = T)]
print(dif)
```

```
##      finance      housing      form      has_nurs      children      health
## 1.00000000 -0.56515152 -0.30687219 0.22782011 -0.09110761 0.03878963
##      class      parents      social
## 0.03124453 0.01452093 0.00000000
```