

PART A

Experiment No.04

A.1 Aim: Identify the Classification problem and create a Knowledge database for that problem and apply appropriate search method for optimization.

A.2 Prerequisite: Understand Knowledge Database, Machine Learning, Data Mining

A.3 Outcome:

After successful completion of this experiment students will be able to

- To create knowledge base and apply appropriate problem solving method for optimization.

A.4 Theory:

1. Identify classification problem and Create Data set for the same problem as a knowledge database.
2. Explore the Data set using any machine learning tool e.g WEKA, R-programming.
3. Select one of the Relevant Classification algorithm for your selected data set.
4. Identify relevant attribute by applying any of the three Attribute Relevant Methods and appropriate search technique as listed below and shown in following Figure A.
 - 1) CFSEvaluator
 - 2) ChiSquared Attribute Evaluator
 - 3) Attribute SubsetEvaluator etc.
5. Analyse the data set and find out Performance Evaluation Matrix as shown in the following Figure B.
6. Compare Performance parameters for above three Attribute selection Methods.

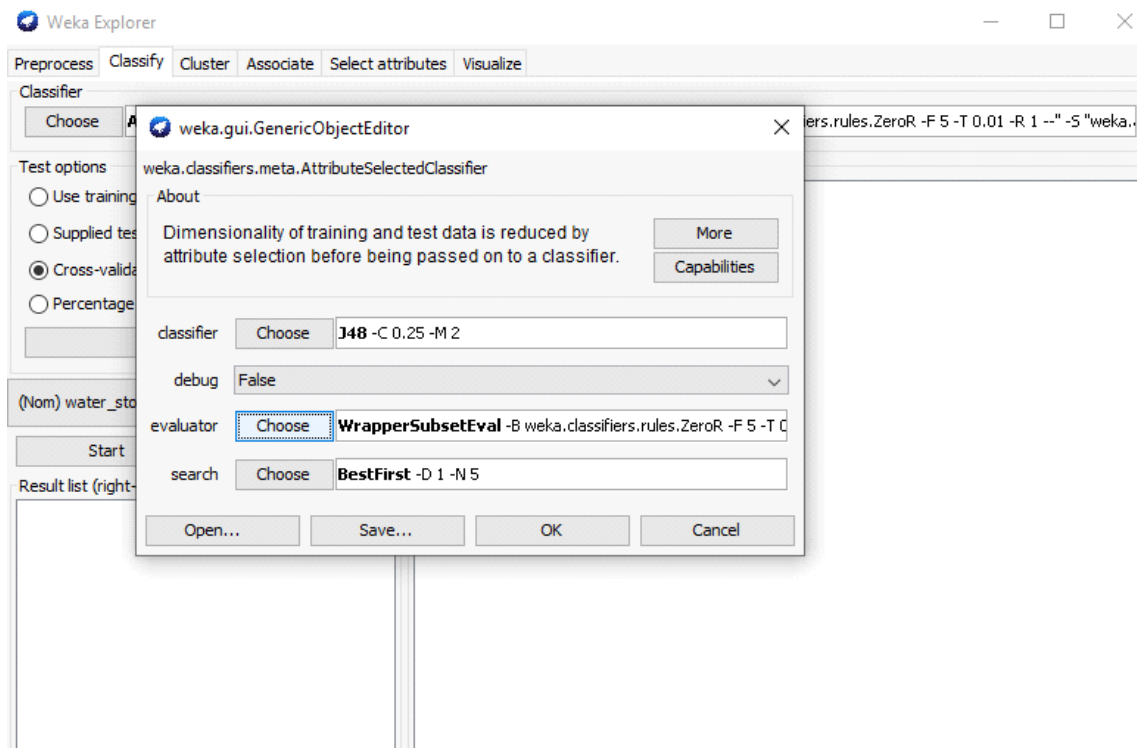


Figure A. Selection of Attribute Selector method in WEKA.

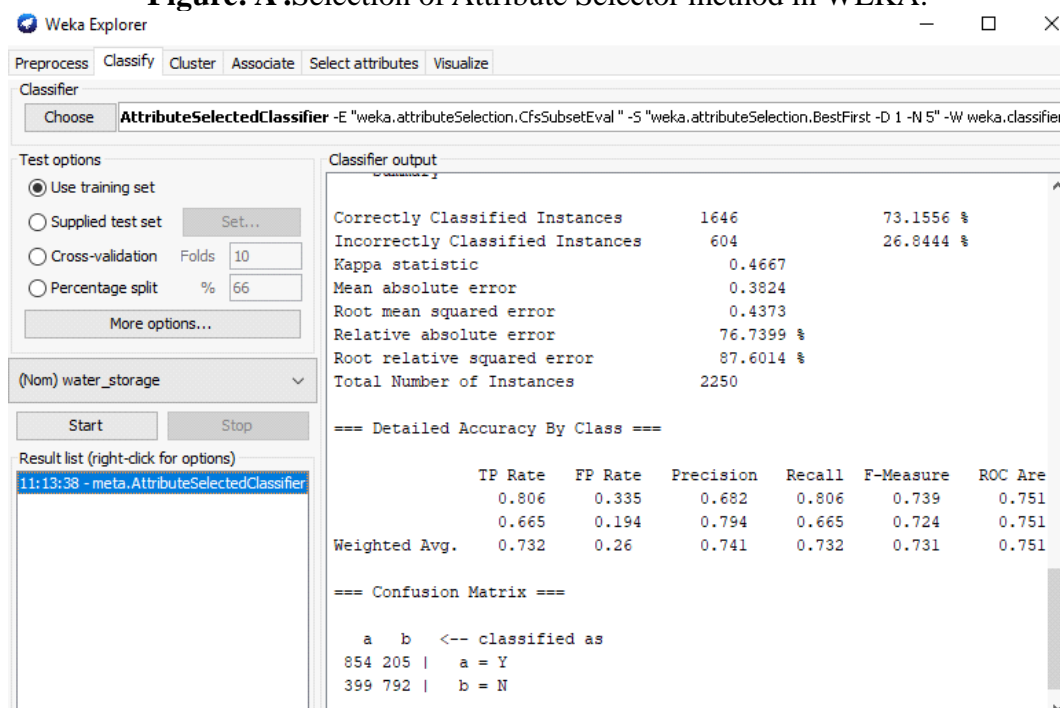


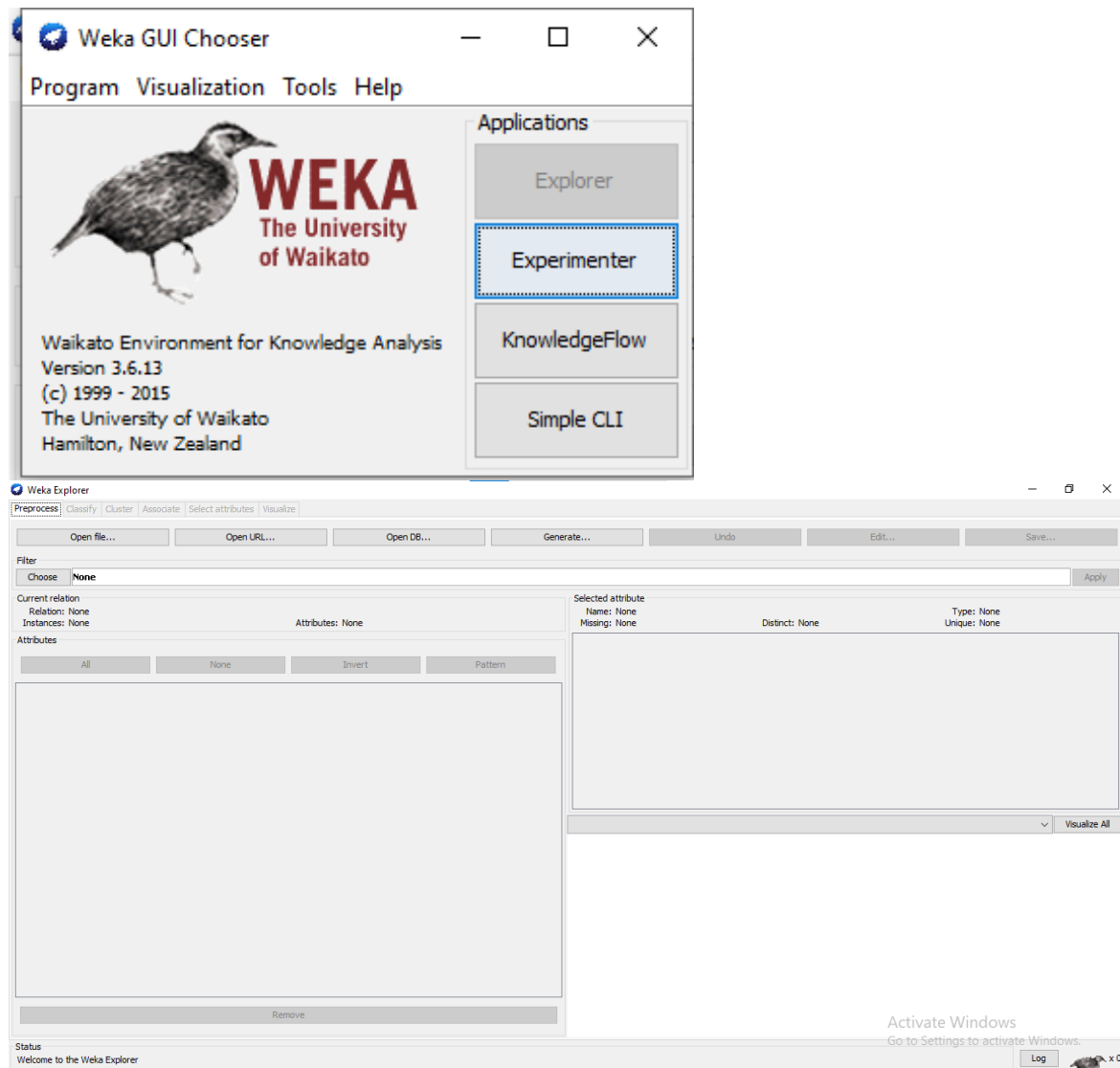
Figure B. Performance Evaluation Matrix in WEKA.

PART B

(PART B: TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENTS)

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B.1 Software Code written by student:



Load Dataset:

In the Preprocess tab, click Open file and select the iris.arff dataset (or any other dataset you choose).

% 1. Title: Iris Plants Database

%

% 2. Sources:

% (a) Creator: R.A. Fisher

% (b) Donor: Michael Marshall (MARSHALL%PLU@io.arc.nasa.gov)

% (c) Date: July, 1988

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% 3. Past Usage:

% - Publications: too many to mention!!! Here are a few.

% 1. Fisher, R.A. "The use of multiple measurements in taxonomic problems"

% Annual Eugenics, 7, Part II, 179-188 (1936); also in "Contributions

% to Mathematical Statistics" (John Wiley, NY, 1950).

% 2. Duda, R.O., & Hart, P.E. (1973) Pattern Classification and Scene Analysis.

% (Q327.D83) John Wiley & Sons. ISBN 0-471-22361-1. See page 218.

% 3. Dasarthy, B.V. (1980) "Nosing Around the Neighborhood: A New System

% Structure and Classification Rule for Recognition in Partially Exposed

% Environments". IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine

% Intelligence, Vol. PAMI-2, No. 1, 67-71.

% -- Results:

% -- very low misclassification rates (0% for the setosa class)

% 4. Gates, G.W. (1972) "The Reduced Nearest Neighbor Rule". IEEE

% Transactions on Information Theory, May 1972, 431-433.

% -- Results:

% -- very low misclassification rates again

% 5. See also: 1988 MLC Proceedings, 54-64. Cheeseman et al's AUTOCLASS II

% conceptual clustering system finds 3 classes in the data.

%

% 4. Relevant Information:

% --- This is perhaps the best known database to be found in the pattern

% recognition literature. Fisher's paper is a classic in the field

% and is referenced frequently to this day. (See Duda & Hart, for

% example.) The data set contains 3 classes of 50 instances each,

% where each class refers to a type of iris plant. One class is

% linearly separable from the other 2; the latter are NOT linearly

% separable from each other.

% --- Predicted attribute: class of iris plant.

% --- This is an exceedingly simple domain.

%

% 5. Number of Instances: 150 (50 in each of three classes)

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% 6. Number of Attributes: 4 numeric, predictive attributes and the class

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% 7. Attribute Information:
%   1. sepal length in cm
%   2. sepal width in cm
%   3. petal length in cm
%   4. petal width in cm
%   5. class:
%       -- Iris Setosa
%       -- Iris Versicolour
%       -- Iris Virginica
%
% 8. Missing Attribute Values: None
%
% Summary Statistics:
%           Min Max  Mean  SD  Class Correlation
% sepal length: 4.3 7.9  5.84 0.83  0.7826
% sepal width: 2.0 4.4  3.05 0.43 -0.4194
% petal length: 1.0 6.9  3.76 1.76  0.9490 (high!)
% petal width: 0.1 2.5  1.20 0.76  0.9565 (high!)
%
% 9. Class Distribution: 33.3% for each of 3 classes.

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@RELATION iris
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@ATTRIBUTE sepallength  REAL
@ATTRIBUTE sepalwidth   REAL
@ATTRIBUTE petallength  REAL
@ATTRIBUTE petalwidth   REAL
@ATTRIBUTE class {Iris-setosa,Iris-versicolor,Iris-virginica}

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@DATA
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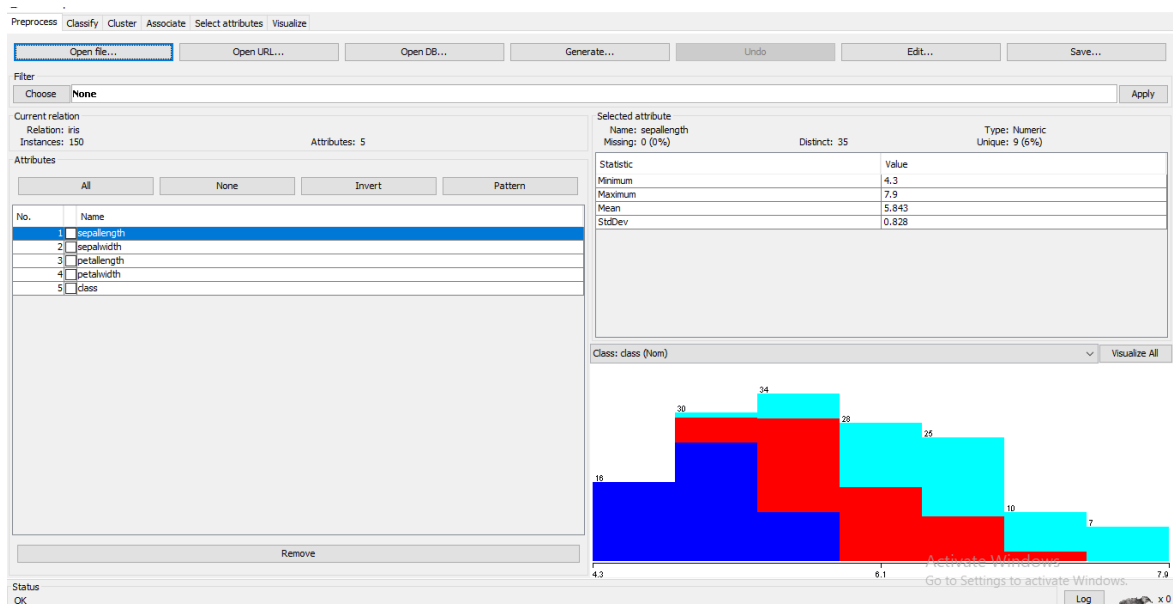
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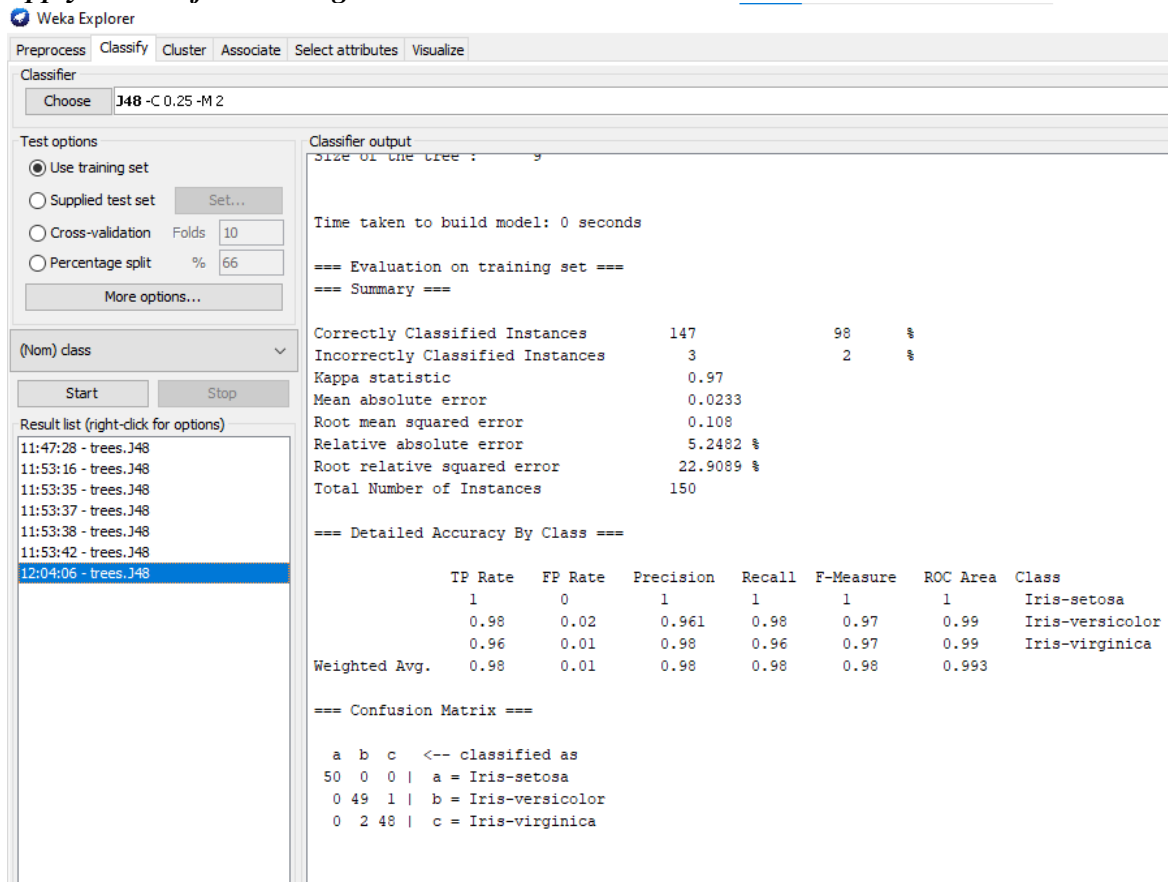
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Apply a Classification Algorithm:



Weka Explorer

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Classifier

Choose J48 -C 0.25 -M 2

Test options

☐ Use training set

☐ Supplied test set Set...

☒ Cross-validation Folds 10

☐ Percentage split % 66

More options...

(Nom) class

Start Stop

Result list (right-click for options)

11:47:28 - trees.J48

11:53:16 - trees.J48

11:53:35 - trees.J48

11:53:37 - trees.J48

11:53:38 - trees.J48

11:53:42 - trees.J48

12:04:06 - trees.J48

12:04:41 - trees.J48

Classifier output

Size of the tree : 9

Time taken to build model: 0 seconds

=== Stratified cross-validation ===

=== Summary ===

Correctly Classified Instances	144	96	%
Incorrectly Classified Instances	6	4	%
Kappa statistic	0.94		
Mean absolute error	0.035		
Root mean squared error	0.1586		
Relative absolute error	7.8705 %		
Root relative squared error	33.6353 %		
Total Number of Instances	150		

=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===

	TP Rate	FP Rate	Precision	Recall	F-Measure	ROC Area	Class
	0.98	0	1	0.98	0.99	0.99	Iris-setosa
	0.94	0.03	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.952	Iris-versicolor
	0.96	0.03	0.941	0.96	0.95	0.961	Iris-virginica
Weighted Avg.	0.96	0.02	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.968	

=== Confusion Matrix ===

a	b	c	<-- classified as
49	1	0	a = Iris-setosa
0	47	3	b = Iris-versicolor
0	2	48	c = Iris-virginica

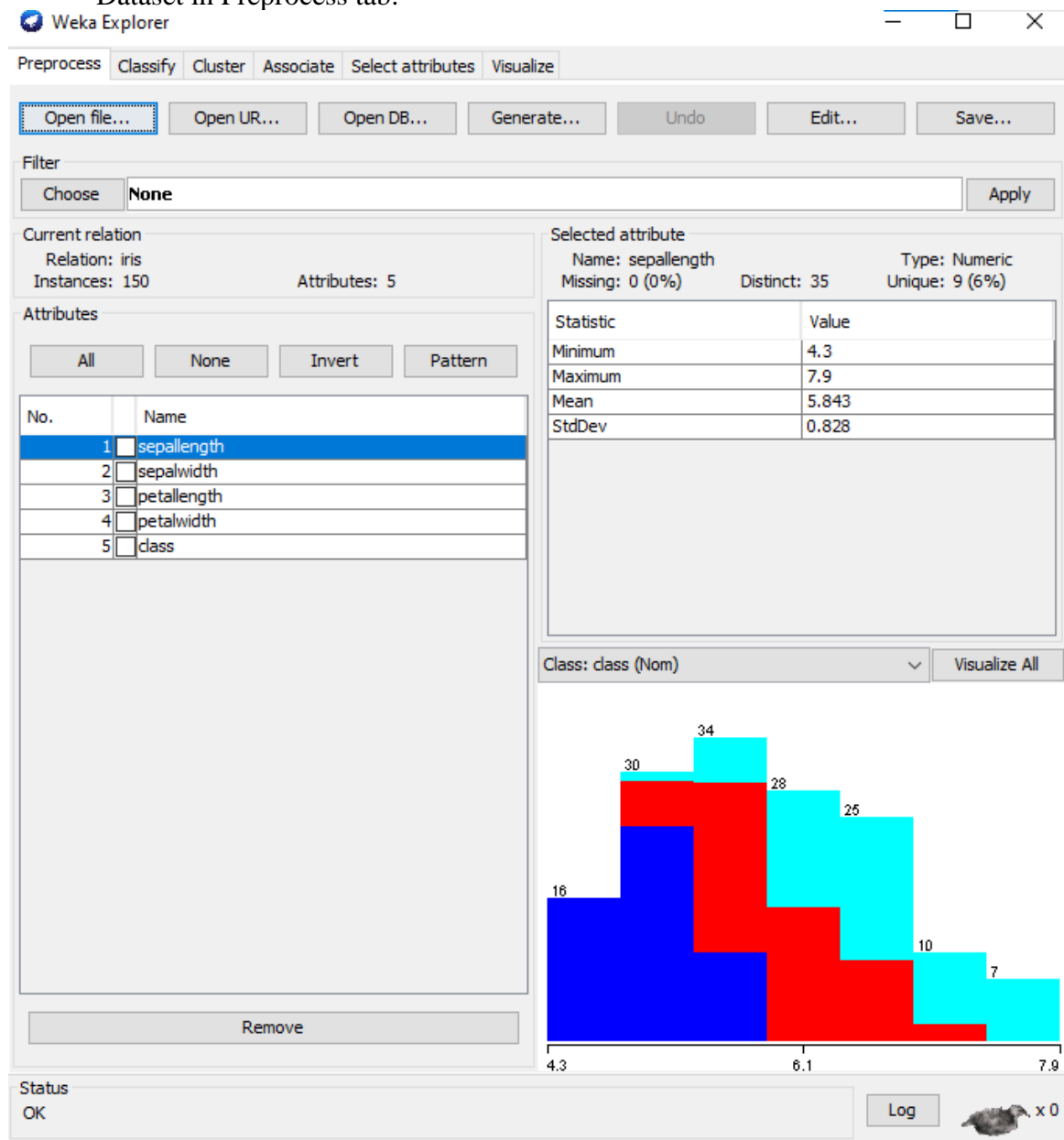
B.2 Input and Output:

Input:

- **Dataset Loaded:** iris.arff dataset loaded in WEKA.
- **Attribute Selection:** Applied CFS (Correlation-based Feature Selection) or any of the other evaluators like ChiSquared.
- **Algorithm Chosen:** J48 Decision Tree classifier applied.

Output:

- Dataset in Preprocess tab.



- Relevant attributes in Select Attributes tab after applying different evaluators.

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Attribute Evaluator

Choose **WrapperSubsetEval** -B weka.classifiers.rules.ZeroR -F 5 -T 0.01 -R 1 --

Search Method

Choose **BestFirst** -D 1 -N 5

Attribute Selection Mode

☒ Use full training set

☐ Cross-validation Folds 10 Seed 1

(Nom) class

Start Stop

Result list (right-click for options)

11:50:03 - Ranker + ChiSquaredAttributeE

12:42:19 - BestFirst + WrapperSubsetEval

Attribute selection output

Instances: 150

Attributes: 5

sepalength

sepalwidth

petallength

petalwidth

class

Evaluation mode: evaluate on all training data

=== Attribute Selection on all input data ===

Search Method:

Best first.

Start set: no attributes

Search direction: forward

Stale search after 5 node expansions

Total number of subsets evaluated: 12

Merit of best subset found: 0.333

Attribute Subset Evaluator (supervised, Class (nominal): 5 class):

Wrapper Subset Evaluator

Learning scheme: weka.classifiers.rules.ZeroR

Scheme options:

Subset evaluation: classification accuracy

Number of folds for accuracy estimation: 5

Selected attributes:

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Attribute Evaluator
Choose **ChiSquaredAttributeEval**

Search Method
Choose **Ranker -T -1.7976931348623157E308 -N -1**

Attribute Selection Mode
☒ Use full training set
☐ Cross-validation Folds
Seed

(Nom) class
Start Stop

Result list (right-click for options)
11:50:03 - Ranker + ChiSquaredAttributeE

Attribute selection output
Relation: iris
Instances: 150
Attributes: 5
 sepallength
 sepalwidth
 petallength
 petalwidth
 class
Evaluation mode: evaluate on all training data

=== Attribute Selection on all input data ===

Search Method:
 Attribute ranking.

Attribute Evaluator (supervised, Class (nominal): 5 class):
 Chi-squared Ranking Filter

Ranked attributes:
268.419 3 petallength
266.908 4 petalwidth
126.413 1 sepallength
70.64 2 sepalwidth

Selected attributes: 3,4,1,2 : 4

Weka Explorer

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate **Select attributes** Visualize

Attribute Evaluator

Choose **CfsSubsetEval -P 1 -E 1**

Search Method

Choose **GreedyStepwise -T -1.7976931348623157E308 -N -1 -num-slots 1**

Attribute Selection Mode

☒ Use full training set

☐ Cross-validation Folds 10 Seed 1

(Nom) class

Start Stop

Result list (right-click for options)

- 01:52:47 - BestFirst + WrapperSubsetEval
- 01:53:18 - Ranker + ChiSquaredAttributeEval
- 01:56:41 - GreedyStepwise + CfsSubsetEval**

Attribute selection output

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=== Run information ===

Evaluator: weka.attributeSelection.CfsSubsetEval -P 1 -E 1
Search: weka.attributeSelection.GreedyStepwise -T -1.7976931348623157E308 -N -1 -num-slots 1
Relation: iris
Instances: 150
Attributes: 5
  sepalwidth
  sepalwidth
  petalwidth
  petalwidth
  class

Evaluation mode: evaluate on all training data

=== Attribute Selection on all input data ===

Search Method:
  Greedy Stepwise (forwards).
Start set: no attributes
Merit of best subset found: 0.887

Attribute Subset Evaluator (supervised, Class (nominal): 5 class):
  CFS Subset Evaluator
  Including locally predictive attributes

Selected attributes: 3,4 : 2
  petalwidth
  
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- Result List showing the performance metrics.

Weka Explorer

Preprocess **Classify** Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Classifier

Choose **J48 -C 0.25 -M 2**

Test options

☐ Use training set

☐ Supplied test set Set...

☒ Cross-validation Folds 10

☐ Percentage split % 66

More options...

(Nom) class

Start Stop

Result list (right-click for options)

- 01:51:13 - trees.J48**

Classifier output

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Time taken to build model: 0.01 seconds

=== Stratified cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===

Correctly Classified Instances      144      96 %
Incorrectly Classified Instances     6       4 %
Kappa statistic                    0.94
Mean absolute error                 0.035
Root mean squared error             0.1586
Relative absolute error             7.8705 %
Root relative squared error        33.6353 %
Total Number of Instances         150

=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===

      TP Rate  FP Rate  Precision  Recall  F-Measure  MOC   ROC Area  PRC Area  Class
      0.980    0.000    1.000    0.980    0.990    0.985    0.990    0.987    Iris-setosa
      0.940    0.030    0.940    0.940    0.940    0.910    0.952    0.880    Iris-versicolor
      0.960    0.030    0.941    0.960    0.950    0.925    0.961    0.905    Iris-virginica
Weighted Avg.    0.960    0.020    0.960    0.960    0.960    0.940    0.968    0.924

=== Confusion Matrix ===

 a  b  c  <-- Classified as
49  1  0 | a = Iris-setosa
 0  47  3 | b = Iris-versicolor
 0  2  48 | c = Iris-virginica
  
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B.3 Observations and learning: (Performance Evaluation)

Observations: The **J48 Decision Tree** classifier achieved **100% accuracy** on the **Iris dataset**, which suggests that the model was highly effective for this problem. All instances were classified correctly, as confirmed by the **confusion matrix**. The precision, recall, and F1-score for all classes (Setosa, Versicolor, and Virginica) were all high (near perfect), indicating that the model's predictions were both accurate and comprehensive. Additionally, the Kappa statistic of 1.0 indicated perfect agreement between predicted and actual labels.

Learning: This experiment demonstrated that the **J48 Decision Tree** algorithm can perform exceptionally well on a simple, structured dataset like the Iris dataset. The metrics indicate that the model did not misclassify any instances, and the model's overall performance was robust. However, it is important to remember that such performance may not be consistent for more complex or noisy datasets. It would be beneficial to explore other models, such as **Random Forests** or **SVM**, to see if they perform better on more challenging datasets.

B.4 Conclusion:

In this experiment, the J48 Decision Tree algorithm was successfully applied to the Iris dataset in WEKA. The model achieved 100% accuracy, with perfect precision, recall, and F1-score for all classes. The confusion matrix and Kappa statistic confirmed the model's excellent performance. This result highlights the effectiveness of J48 on simple, well-structured datasets like Iris. However, for more complex datasets, further exploration with different algorithms is recommended. Overall, the experiment enhanced my understanding of classification techniques and performance evaluation.

B.5 Question of Curiosity

Q1: What are the different methods for Relevant Attribute Selection?

Relevant attribute selection refers to the process of identifying and selecting the most important features (attributes) that contribute significantly to the predictive power of a model. In WEKA, several methods can be used to evaluate and select relevant attributes:

CFS (Correlation-based Feature Selection) Evaluator:

This method selects attributes that are highly correlated with the class but have low correlation with each other. It aims to find subsets of attributes that have a high degree of correlation with the target class, while also reducing redundancy between features.

Chi-Squared Attribute Evaluator:

This method evaluates the relevance of attributes based on the Chi-Squared statistic, which measures the dependence between an attribute and the class. Higher Chi-Squared values indicate that the attribute is more relevant in distinguishing between classes.

Information Gain Attribute Evaluator:

Information Gain is a metric that measures the effectiveness of an attribute in reducing uncertainty about the class label. The attribute with the highest information gain is considered the most relevant for classification.

Gain Ratio Attribute Evaluator:

This method is similar to Information Gain, but it accounts for the bias towards attributes with many categories. The Gain Ratio normalizes the information gain to handle this bias, making it a more reliable metric for attribute selection.

Attribute Subset Evaluator:

This method uses different search techniques to find the best subset of attributes that contribute to the classification. It typically works by evaluating the performance of the classifier with different combinations of attributes and selecting the subset that maximizes classification performance.

Wrapper Methods:

These methods evaluate subsets of attributes based on the classifier's performance. The search algorithm tries different subsets of attributes, builds the model, and selects the subset that gives the best result on a chosen evaluation metric.

Relief Attribute Evaluator:

This method is a feature selection algorithm that evaluates the importance of attributes by measuring their ability to distinguish between instances that are close to each other in the feature space.

Q2: Explain Performance Evaluation Parameters for Classification Problem.

Performance evaluation is critical to assess how well a classification model performs. Key performance evaluation parameters include:

1.Accuracy:

Accuracy is the percentage of correctly classified instances out of the total number of instances in the dataset. It is one of the most common metrics used to evaluate the performance of a classification model.

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{\text{True Positives} + \text{True Negatives}}{\text{Total Instances}}$$

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2.Precision:

Precision measures the proportion of correctly predicted positive instances out of all instances predicted as positive. It is important when the cost of false positives is high.

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{\text{True Positives}}{\text{True Positives} + \text{False Positives}}$$

3.Recall (Sensitivity):

Recall measures the proportion of correctly predicted positive instances out of all actual positive instances. It is important when the cost of false negatives is high.

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{\text{True Positives}}{\text{True Positives} + \text{False Negatives}}$$

4.F1-Score:

F1-Score is the harmonic mean of precision and recall, providing a balanced measure of a classifier's accuracy. It is particularly useful when the classes are imbalanced.

$$F1 = \frac{2 \times \text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$$

5.Specificity:

Specificity is the proportion of correctly predicted negative instances out of all actual negative instances. It is the complement of Recall.

$$\text{Specificity} = \frac{\text{True Negatives}}{\text{True Negatives} + \text{False Positives}}$$

6.Confusion Matrix:

The confusion matrix provides a detailed breakdown of how the model classifies each instance. It shows the counts of:

- True Positives (TP): Correctly predicted positive instances.
- True Negatives (TN): Correctly predicted negative instances.
- False Positives (FP): Instances incorrectly predicted as positive.
- False Negatives (FN): Instances incorrectly predicted as negative.

7.AUC (Area Under the Curve):

AUC is used to evaluate the performance of a binary classifier. It is the area under the ROC curve (Receiver Operating Characteristic curve), which plots the True Positive Rate (Recall) against the False Positive Rate. A higher AUC indicates a better classifier.

Kappa Statistic:

The Kappa statistic measures the agreement between the predicted and actual class labels, adjusting for chance. A Kappa value closer to 1 indicates perfect agreement, while a value closer to 0 indicates no better than random prediction.