Introduction to Weka Lab 1 - SEng 474 / CSC 578D Data Mining

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WEKA

(Waikato Environment for Knowledge Analysis)

- A software for Data Mining / Machine Learning.
- A collection of
 - machine learning algorithms,
 - data preprocessing tools,
 - small datasets.
- Written in Java.
- It is free! Available for Windows, Mac, and Linux.
 - So install on your own computer.

Weka supports the whole process of experimental data mining:

- Preprocessing the input data
- Statistically evaluating learning schemes
- Visualizing data and the results of learning

Fire Up "Weka" in the Lab

(using Windows 10)

Start > Weka 3.8.2 > Weka 3.8



Also check the documentation:

... > Weka 3.8.2 > Documentation

Weka 3.8.2

Explorer

Suitable for exploring features, and small datasets.

Experimenter

Comparing variety of learning techniques using statistical tests.

Knowledge Flow

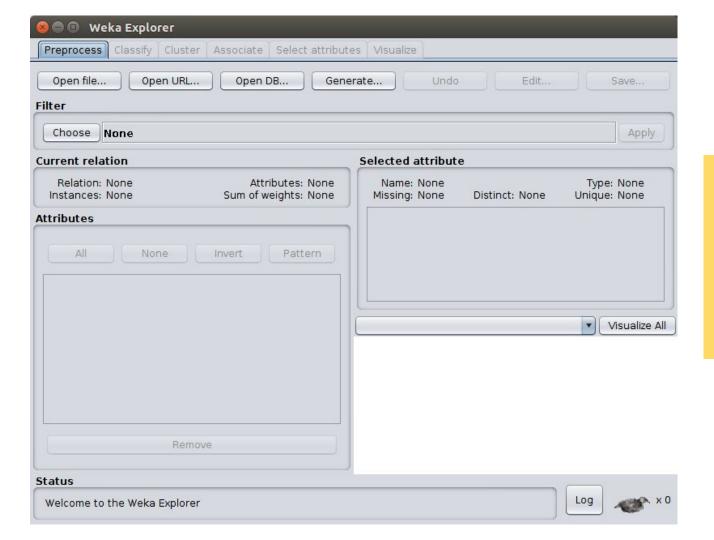
Graphical explorer, can deal with large datasets by incremental learning.

Workbench

All the tools together.

Simple CLI

Command line interface for direct execution of Weka commands (Java).



WEKA EXPLORER

Weka Sample Datasets

Weka comes with a collection of small datasets. They are in:

C:\Program Files\Weka-3-8\data\

Copy this folder to Desktop using File Explorer. Then, in Weka Explorer (Preprocess tab):

Open file ... > Look <u>In > Engineering Home Drive (M:)</u> > Desktop > data

Open the weather.nominal.arff

The ARFF data file format

```
% 1. Title: ...
% 2. Sources: ...
oc ...
@relation <relation-name>
@attribute <attribute-name> <datatype>
@attribute ...
(a ...
@data
```

ARFF =
AttributeRelation
File
Format

a1,b1,c1,... a2,b2,c2,...



EASY TO CONVERT TO CSV

The <datatype>

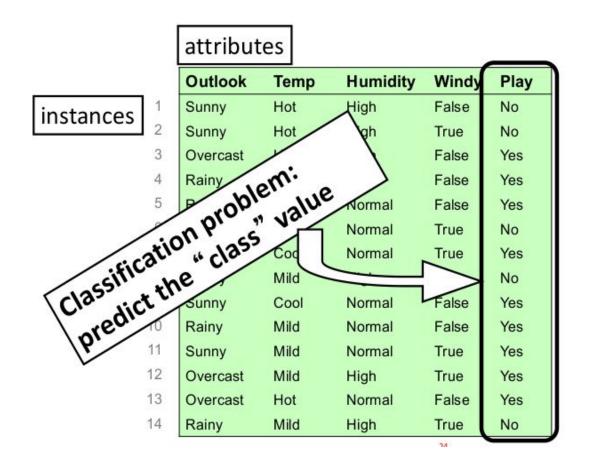
```
• numeric (also REAL, ..)
<nominal-specification>
  o E.g., {blue, green, yellow}
• string
date [<date-format>]
  o Default:
    "yyyy-MM-dd'T'HH:mm:ss"
```

Getting to know your data

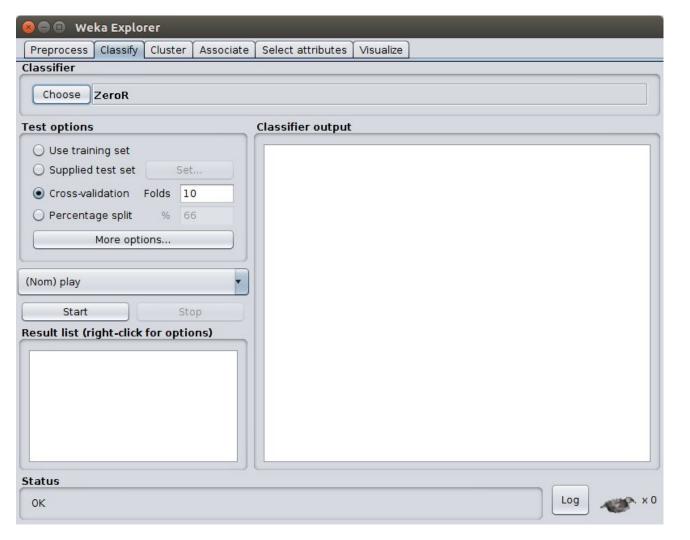
- Relation name
- Number of attributes
- Number of instances
- Ranges of attribute values
- What is the class attribute?
- Histogram

Open the arff file in an editor (notepad++ or WordPad) to get more info.

Classification Problem



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WEKA CLASSIFY

Using Classifier

In Weka - Classify:

> Choose > trees > J48

J48 -C 0.25 -M 2

- → Click to edit properties
 - More
 - Info about this classifier
 - Capabilities
 - Info on usage (datatype)

Using Classifier

J48 > More

→ Info about this classifier:

NAME

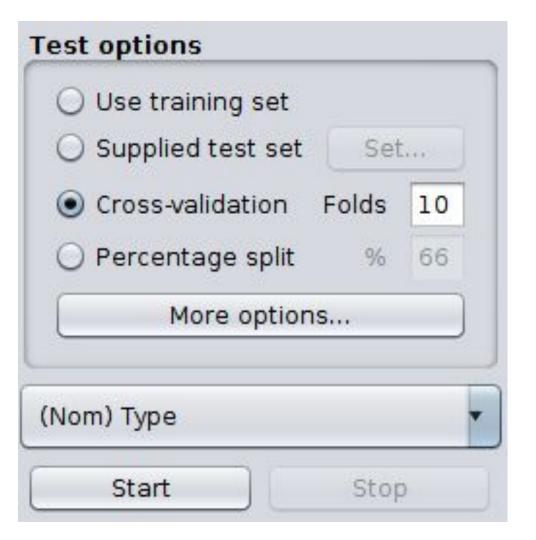
weka.classifiers.trees.J48

SYNOPSIS

Class for generating a pruned or unpruned C4.5 decision tree. For more information, see

Ross Quinlan (1993). C4.5: Programs for Machine Learning. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, San Mateo, CA.

Using Classifier



```
Classifier
Output
```

Model

```
=== Classifier model (full training set) ===
J48 pruned tree
outlook = sunny
    humidity = high: no (3.0)
    humidity = normal: yes (2.0)
outlook = overcast: yes (4.0)
outlook = rainy
   windy = TRUE: no (2.0)
   windy = FALSE: yes (3.0)
Number of Leaves :
Size of the tree: 8
```

Classifier Output

Summary

=== Summary ===

Correctly Classified Instances	7	50	%
Incorrectly Classified Instances	7	50	%
Kappa statistic	-0.0426		
Mean absolute error	0.4167		
Root mean squared error	0.5984		
Relative absolute error	87.5 %		
Root relative squared error	121.2987 %		
Total Number of Instances	14		

```
a b <-- classified as 5 4 | a = yes
```



Closing

→ In this lab:

We have learn about Weka

→ We have seen that

Weka is a very useful tool for data mining.

→ What's next?

Experiment more!