System Manual

Installation and Usage

MSpec application is available as a MATLAB based application and a stand alone application. The user can choose the installation steps based on their preferences. If the user already has MATLAB installed, it is recommended to run MSpec as a MATLAB application for additional MATLAB features available. The open source of the application and its standalone can be downloaded in the MSpec Spectral Preprocessing and Analysis Environment github at https://github.com/chayudS/MSpec-Spectral-Preprocessing-and-Analysis-Environment

Prerequisites

To run MSpec as a MATLAB application, the user must install MATLAB and the required toolboxes, as well as the MSpec MATLAB application files.

- Mathworks® MATLAB R2020a or later versions with the following add-on toolboxes
 - o Bioinformatics Toolbox version 4.15.1
 - Statics and Machine Learning Toolbox version 12.1
 Available at www.mathworks.com/downloads or execute the application via a web browser by using MATLAB online at https://matlab.mathworks.com/
- MSpec MATLAB Application Available at:
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 MSpec Standalone Installer located in folder "/app-standalone" in MSpec github or at: https://github.com/chayudS/MSpec-Spectral-Preprocessing-and-Analysis-Environment/tree/main/app-standalone

Installation steps

To execute MSpec as a MATLAB application:

- 1. Install Mathworks® MATLAB and required add-on toolboxes
- Import the MSpec application downloaded from MSpec github into the MATLAB workspace
- 3. Run the MSpec application
 - a. To run the MSpec main application, run the file called "MSpecMainApp.mlapp"

b. If the icons in the application don't appear, please add source code folder of the
 MSpec application to be the file path in MATLAB

To install MSpec as a standalone application:

- 1. Install MSpec standalone application by clicking on "MSpecMainAppInstaller.exe"
- 2. After the installation the file named "MSpecMainApp.exe" will appear. MSpec application will be started by double click on the "MSpecMainApp.exe"

Raw Data Pre-requirement

The raw data needs to be in the form of a table in a .csv file. Each row of the table should represent the spectra data points i.g. mass/charge in Mass spectra or Wavenumber in Raman spectra. The first column of the table shows each data point on each row and the second to the last column will represent each sample of spectra.

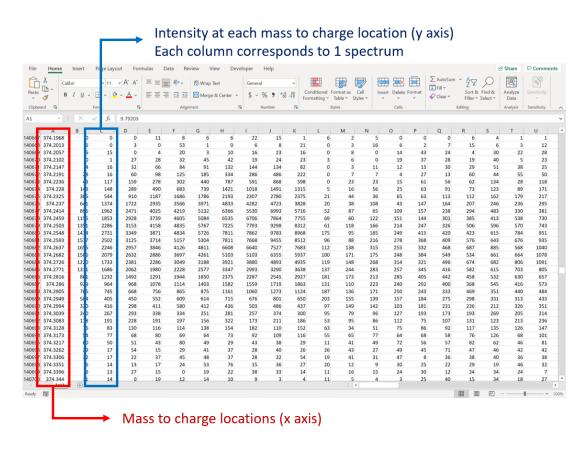


Figure 1 Correct table format of .csv file for MSpec application (Using Mass Spectra as an example)

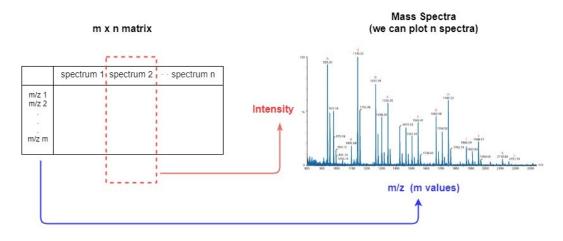


Figure 2 Correct format of .csv file and the graph plotting using the table (Using Mass Spectra as an example)

Application Usage

After finishing the installation either by standalone installation or MATLAB installation, when the MSpec application is started, the first tab of the application that will be displayed is the "Import" tab. The layout of the application consisted of two main parts. The Menu Panel on the top most part of the window and the lower part will be the main panel where the user will operate the imported spectra as well as to select the operation tab on the top of the panel.

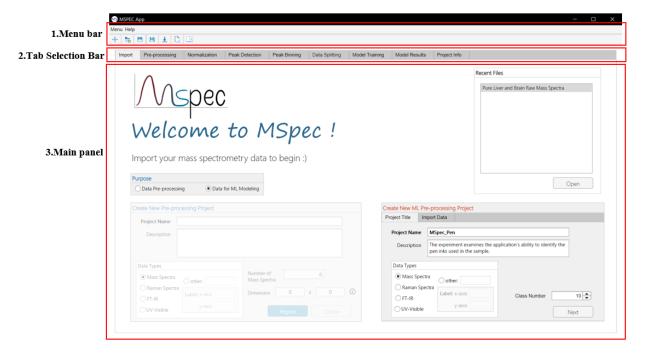


Figure 3 MSpec application layout overview

After running the MSpecMainApp.mlapp, the user will be taken to the "Import" tab of the software, then the user can select the purpose of the software whether to pre-process the data only or to operate data for Machine Learning. The purpose selection of the software will enable the "Create New Project" sub-panel where the user can import their spectrum data for selected purposes.

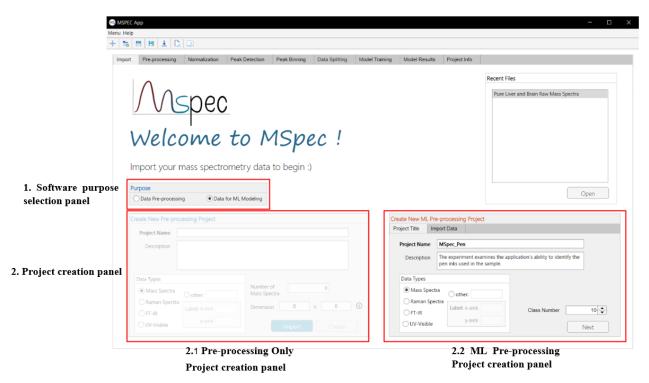


Figure 4 "Import" tab layout overview

There is a project creation sub-panel available for each purpose.

- Create New Pre-processing Project
 - Users can import only one Spectra file for the pre-processing only operation; the parameters adjustable tab will be available only for the data pre-processing purpose.

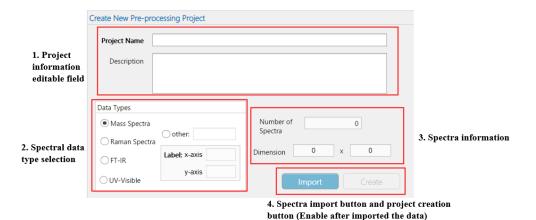


Figure 5 Create new pre-processing project panel layout

- Create ML Pre-processing Project: Consisted of the two tabs i.e. "Project Title" and "Import Data" tabs.
 - The first tab that will appear is the "Project Title" tab where the user will record the project information as well as class number of the spectra that will be used in the ML model.

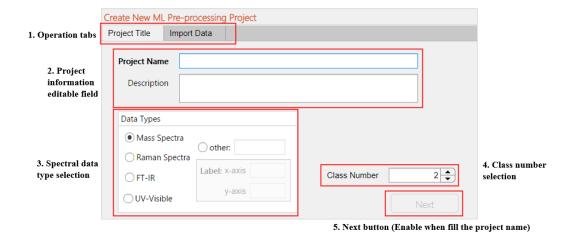


Figure 6 "Project Title" sub-tab layout components

The second tab will appear after clicking the "Next" button on the first tab.

The second tab allows the user to import spectral data class by class according to the number of classes being selected on the first tab.

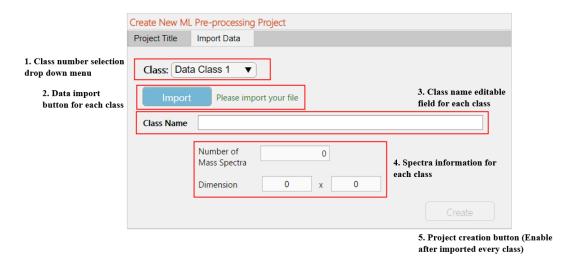


Figure 7 "Import Data" sub- tab layout components

After successfully importing the dataset, the user can proceed to the "Pre-processing" tab. In this tab, the user can specify the parameters to perform baseline correction and peak alignment. The user can also specify the section of the spectra that they want to display.

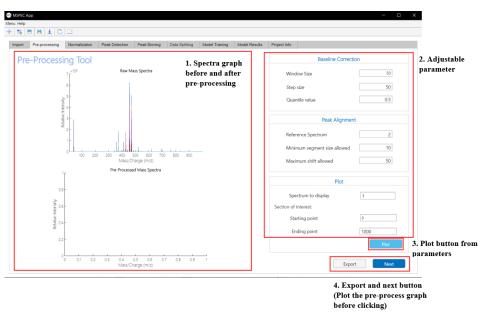


Figure 8 "Pre-processing" tab layout components

Once completed, the user can continue the preprocessing steps in the "Normalization" tab. The user can choose their normalization method, such as ion counts or reference peak, and view the normalized data.

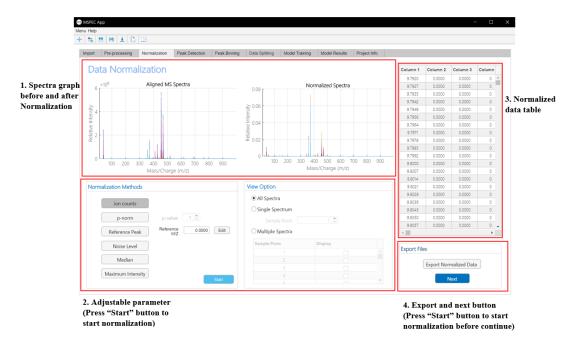


Figure 9 "Normalization" tab layout components

After that, the user can detect significant peaks in the "Peak Detection" tab. This can be done automatically or with specific parameters by the user. Those peaks can then be binned in the "Peak Binning" tab.

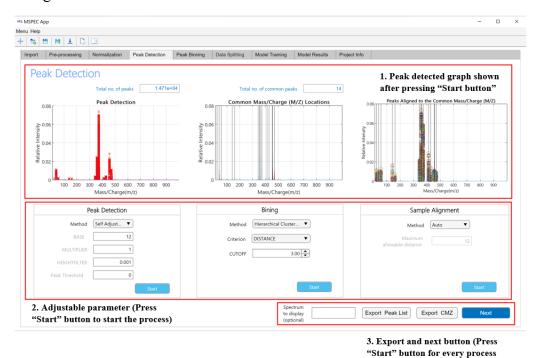


Figure 10 "Peak Detection" tab layout components

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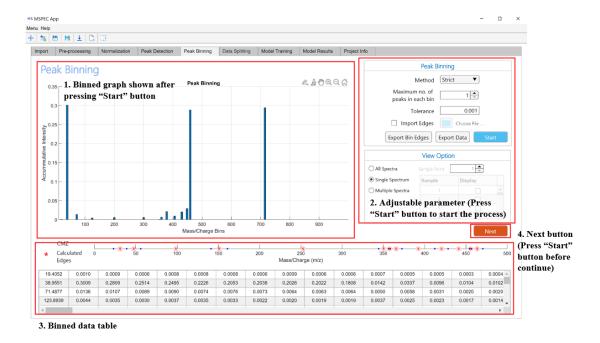


Figure 11 "Peak Binning" tab layout components

The binned data set is then sent to the "Data Splitting" tab, which allows users to automatically label spectral classes as well as split data into a train set and a test set for further ML model training. The data splitting can be done automatically after users define the percentage of each data set.

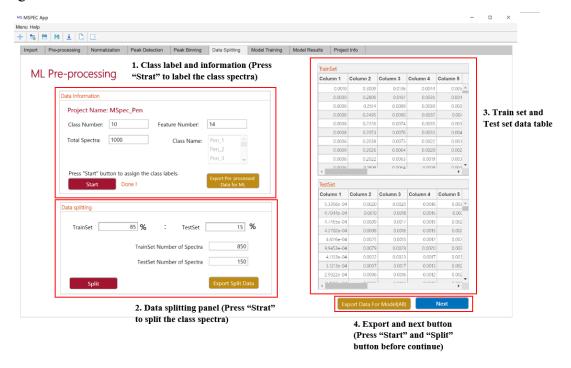


Figure 12 "Data Splitting" tab layout components

After pressing the "Next" button from "Data Splitting", The split data sets are then sent to the "Model Training". Users are able to train selected models from the split train data and do the validation test to see the validation accuracy of the model being trained. Users can also train the optimizable model using basic ML hyperparameters.

In the case of the MATLAB based MSpec application, users can also use the Classification Learner application in MATLAB to train the model.

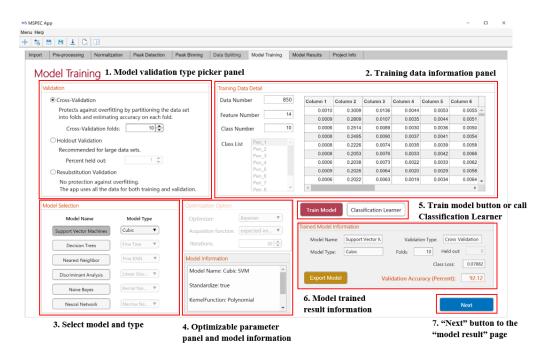


Figure 13 "Model training" tab layout components

After getting the satisfied trained model, the model will be sent to the "Model Result" tab to test the model accuracy and prediction based on the test data set that is being split. The model result will be displayed after pressing the "Predict" button, then as well pop up the confusion matrix for the prediction values from the model.

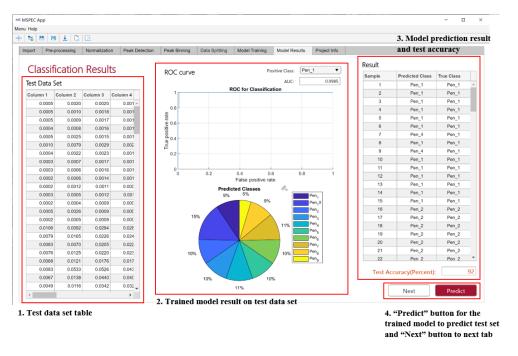


Figure 14 "Model Results" tab layout components

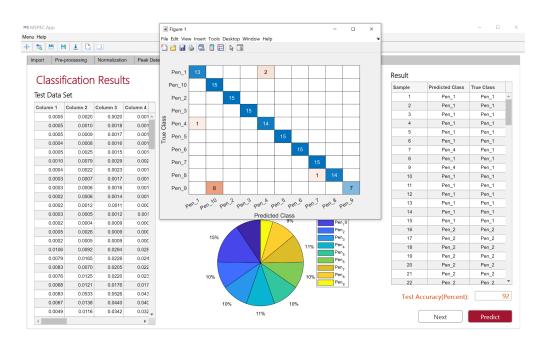


Figure 15 "Model Results" tab with confusion matrix pop up window

The last part of the application will be shown after finishing the model result test and pressing the next button. The "Project Info" tab which allows users to export data that operated in the previous tabs as well as to generate the report of parameter setting as a .pdf file.

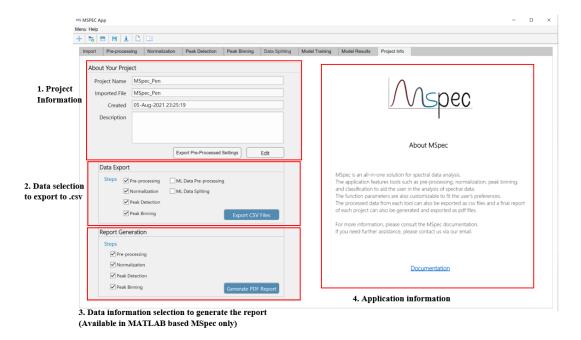


Figure 16 "Project Info" tab layout overview

Implementation Overview

Our application is implemented purely on MATLAB via the MATLAB App Designer, which allows us to create a graphical user interface that can be integrated with our functions.

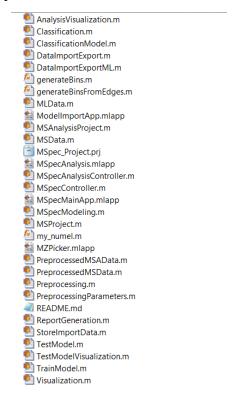


Figure 17 MSpec application files system

- Analysis Visualization.m: visualization for data analysis function
- Classification.m :model prediction function
- ClassificationModel.m: model and its pre-processing parameters data object
- DataImportExport.m: user input controller class
- DataImportExportML.m: user ML pre-processing input controller class
- generateBins.m: peak binning function
- generateBinsFromEdges.m: peak binning edge finding function
- MLData.m: ML pre-processing data object
- ModelImportApp.mlapp: analysis model import function
- MSAnalysisProject.m: analysis project data object
- MSData.m: project data object
- MSpecAnalysisController.m: main analysis function controller
- MSpecController.m: user interaction controller class
- MSpecMainApp.mlapp: main application user interface
- MSpecModeling.m: control ML model training features
- MSProject.m: user created project data object
- MZPicker.mlapp: peak picking user interface:
- PreprocessedMSData.m: preprocessed project data object:
- Preprocessing.m: preprocessing function
- PreprocessingParameters.m: preprocessing parameter stored
- ReportGeneration.m: report generating function
- StoreImportdata.m: keep the user's imported data
- TestModel.m: testing trained model features controller
- TestModelVisualization.m: visualize output from the model
- TrainModel.m: model training feature controller
- Visualization.m: visualizing function

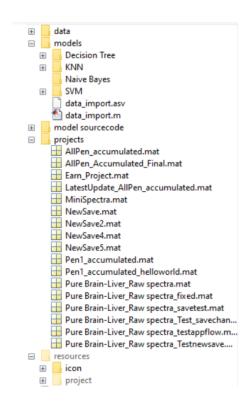


Figure 18 MSpec application data directory system

- data directory(optional): stores user's data
- models directory: stores classification model imported to the application storage,
 including an object of class ClassificationModel save as .mat file and .txt file for storing
 the model information
- model source code: stores matlab functions to generate classification models receiving a train dataset and label as inputs
- projects directory: stores user's saved project from the MSpec application
- resources directory: stores an application project setting as well as other user interface assets