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Tutorial for Weka a data mining tool

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1. Introduction to WEKA

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- A collection of open source of many data mining and machine learning algorithms, including
 - pre-processing on data
 - Classification:
 - clustering
 - association rule extraction
- Created by researchers at the University of Waikato in New Zealand
- Java based (also open source).

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Weka Main Features

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- 49 data preprocessing tools
- 76 classification/regression algorithms
- 8 clustering algorithms
- 15 attribute/subset evaluators + 10 search algorithms for feature selection.
- 3 algorithms for finding association rules
- 3 graphical user interfaces
 - “The Explorer” (exploratory data analysis)
 - “The Experimenter” (experimental environment)
 - “The KnowledgeFlow” (new process model inspired interface)

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Weka: Download and Installation

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- Download Weka (the stable version) from <http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/ml/weka/>
 - Choose a self-extracting executable (including Java VM)
- (If you are interested in modifying/extending weka there is a developer version that includes the source code)
- After download is completed, run the self-extracting file to install Weka, and use the default set-ups.

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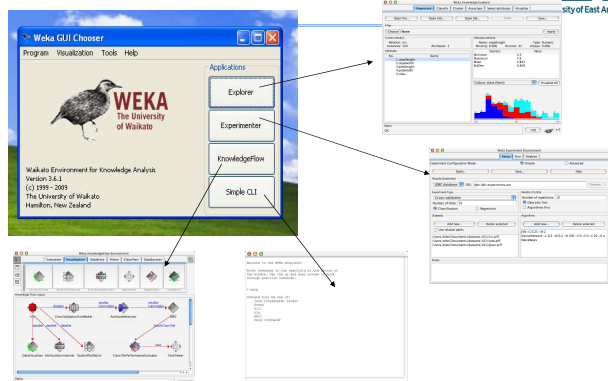
Start the Weka

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- From windows desktop,
 - click “Start”, choose “All programs”,
 - Choose “Weka 3.6” to start Weka
 - Then the first interface window appears:
Weka **GUI Chooser**.

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WEKA Application Interfaces



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Weka Application Interfaces



- Explorer
 - preprocessing, attribute selection, learning, visualisation
- Experimenter
 - testing and evaluating machine learning algorithms
- Knowledge Flow
 - visual design of KDD process
 - Explorer
- Simple Command-line
 - A simple interface for typing commands

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2. Weka Functions and Tools



- Preprocessing Filters
- Attribute selection
- Classification/Regression
- Clustering
- Association discovery
- Visualization

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Load data file and Preprocessing



- Load data file in formats: ARFF, CSV, C4.5, binary
- Import from URL or SQL database (using JDBC)
- Preprocessing filters
 - Adding/removing attributes
 - Attribute value substitution
 - Discretization
 - Time series filters (delta, shift)
 - Sampling, randomization
 - Missing value management
 - Normalization and other numeric transformations

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Feature Selection



- Very flexible: arbitrary combination of search and evaluation methods
- Search methods
 - best-first
 - genetic
 - ranking ...
- Evaluation measures
 - ReliefF
 - information gain
 - gain ratio
- Demo data: weather_nominal.arff

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Classification



- Predicted target must be categorical
- Implemented methods
 - decision trees(J48, etc.) and rules
 - Naïve Bayes
 - neural networks
 - instance-based classifiers ...
- Evaluation methods
 - test data set
 - crossvalidation
- Demo data: iris, contact lenses, labor, soybeans, etc.

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Clustering



- Implemented methods
 - k-Means
 - EM
 - Cobweb
 - X-means
 - FarthestFirst...
- Clusters can be visualized and compared to “true” clusters (if given)
- Demo data:
 - any classification data may be used for clustering when its class attribute is filtered out.

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Regression



- Predicted target is continuous
- Methods
 - linear regression
 - neural networks
 - regression trees ...
- Demo data: cpu.arff,

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Weka: Pros and cons



- pros
 - Open source,
 - Free
 - Extensible
 - Can be integrated into other java packages
 - GUIs (Graphic User Interfaces)
 - Relatively easier to use
 - Features
 - Run individual experiment, or
 - Build KDD phases
- Cons
 - Lack of proper and adequate documentations
 - Systems are updated constantly (Kitchen Sink Syndrome)

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3. WEKA data formats



- Data can be imported from a file in various formats:
 - **ARFF** (Attribute Relation File Format) has two sections:
 - the **Header** information defines attribute name, type and relations.
 - the **Data** section lists the data records.
 - CSV: Comma Separated Values (text file)
 - C4.5: A format used by a decision induction algorithm C4.5, requires two separated files
 - Name file: defines the names of the attributes
 - Date file: lists the records (samples)
 - binary
- Data can also be read from a URL or from an SQL database (using JDBC)

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Attribute Relation File Format (arff)



An **ARFF** file consists of two distinct sections:

- the **Header** section defines attribute name, type and relations, start with a keyword.
 - @Relation** <data-name>
 - @attribute** <attribute-name> <type> or {range}
- the **Data** section lists the data records, starts with **@Data**
 - list of data instances
- Any line start with % is the comments.

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Breast Cancer data in ARFF



```
% Breast Cancer data*: 286 instances (no-recurrence-events: 201, recurrence-
events: 85)
% Part 1: Definitions of attribute name, types and relations
@relation breast-cancer
@attribute age {'10-19','20-29','30-39','40-49','50-59','60-69','70-79','80-89','90-99'}
@attribute menopause {'lt40','ge40','premeno'}
@attribute tumor-size {'0-4','5-9','10-14','15-19','20-24','25-29','30-34','35-39','40-44','45-
49','50-54','55-59'}
@attribute inv-nodes {'0-2','3-5','6-8','9-11','12-14','15-17','18-20','21-23','24-26','27-29','30-
32','33-35','36-39'}
@attribute node-caps {'yes','no'}
@attribute deg-malig {'1','2','3'}
@attribute breast {'left','right'}
@attribute breast-quad {'left_up','left_low','right_up','right_low','central'}
@attribute 'irradiat' {'yes','no'}
@attribute 'Class' {'no-recurrence-events','recurrence-events'}

% Part 2: data section
@data
'40-49','premeno','15-19','0-2','yes','3','right','left_up','no','recurrence-events'
'50-59','ge40','15-19','0-2','no','1','right','central','no','no-recurrence-events'
'50-59','ge40','35-39','0-2','no','2','left','left_low','no','recurrence-events'
.....
* source: http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Breast+Cancer
```

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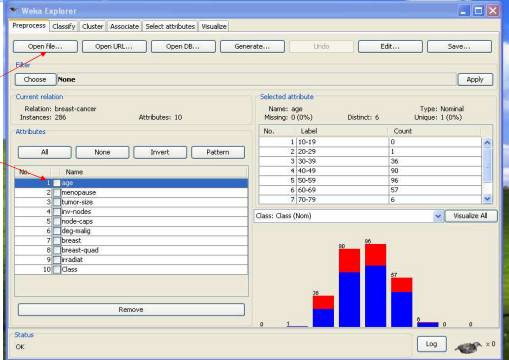
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4.1 WEKA Explorer

- Click the Explorer on Weka GUI Chooser
- On the Explorer window,
 - click button “Open File” to open a data file from
 - the folder where your data files stored.
e.g. Breast Cancer data: breast_cancer.arff
 - Or (if you don’t have this data set),
 - the data folder provided by the weka package:
e.g. C:\Program Files\Weka-3-6\data
using “iris.arff” or “weather_nominal.arff”

Weka Explorer: open data file

- Open Breast Cancer data
- Click an attribute, e.g. age, then its distribution will be displayed in a histogram.

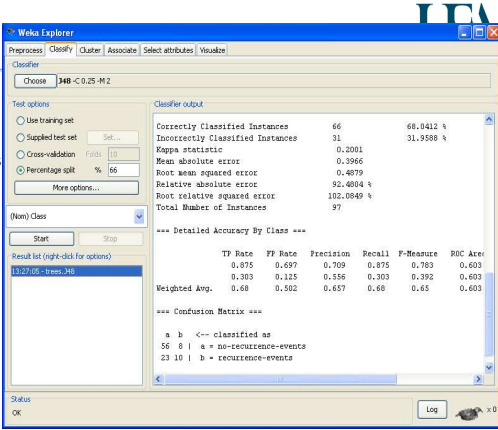


Weka Explorer: training classifiers

- After loaded a data file, click “Classify”
- Choose a classifier,
 - Under “Classifier”: click “choose”, then a drop-down menu appears,
 - Click “trees” and select “J48” – a decision tree algorithm
 - Select a test option
 - Select “percentage split”
 - with default ratio 66% for training and 34% for testing
 - Click “Start” to train and test the classifier.
 - The training and testing information will be displayed in classifier output window.

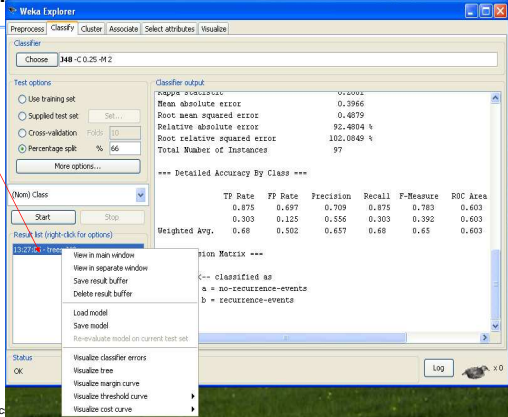
Results

- Testing results:
- 97 cases used in test.
- Correct: 66 (68%)
- Wrong: 31 (32%)



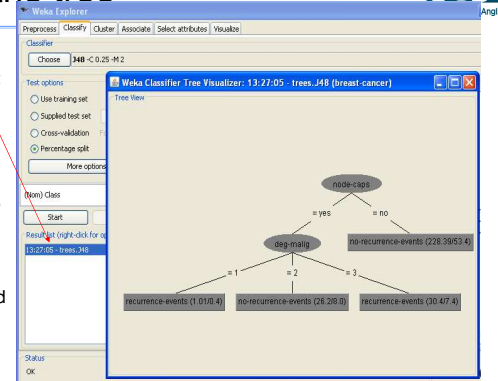
Options for results and model

- Point to result list window, and right click mouse.
- A menu will pop out to show all the options available about the model.



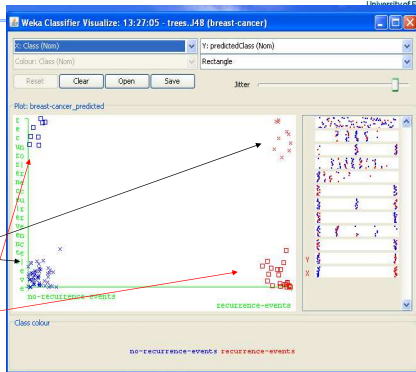
View the tree

- Point to result list window, and right click mouse,
- Choose “visualize tree”, then the tree will be displayed in another window.



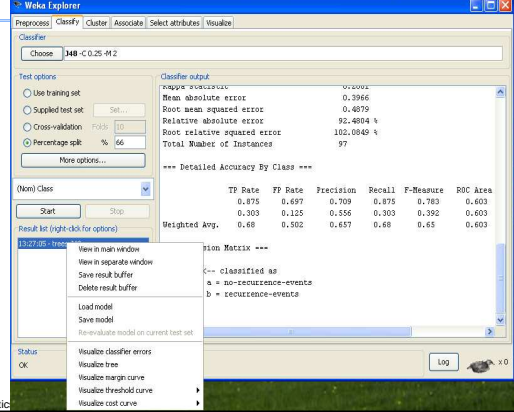
View classifier errors

- right click the result list,
- Choose "visualize classifier error", then a new window will be popped out to display the classifier's error.
 - Correctly predicted cases
 - Wrong cases



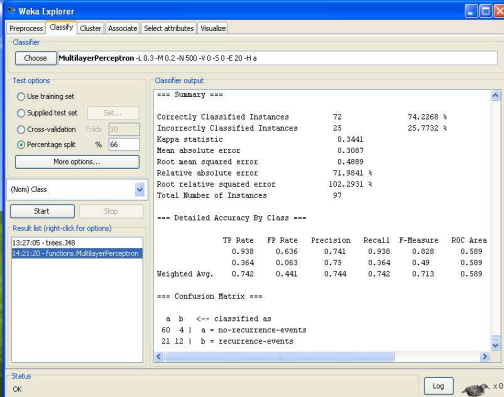
Save the model and results

- Right click on the result list
- Choose "save model" and "save result buffer" to save the classifier and the results to the disk folder.



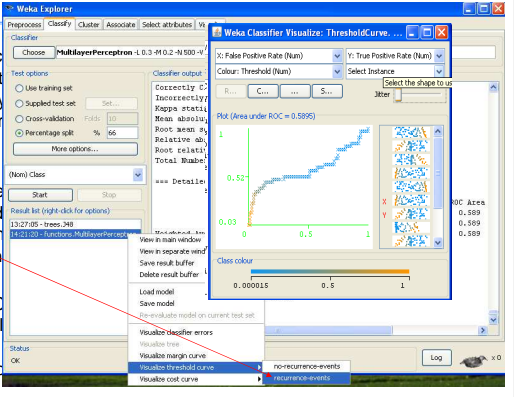
Train a neural net

- Click "Choose" to select another function, e.g. "Multilayer Perceptron" - a type of neural net.
- Then click "Start" to train and test it. (note: the training may take much longer time.)
- The results seem better than the tree classifier.



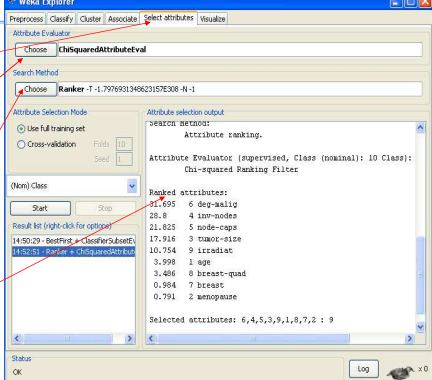
View the model's ROC curve

- Right click the result list
- Choose "visualize threshold curve" and "recurrence events".
- The ROC curve will be displayed



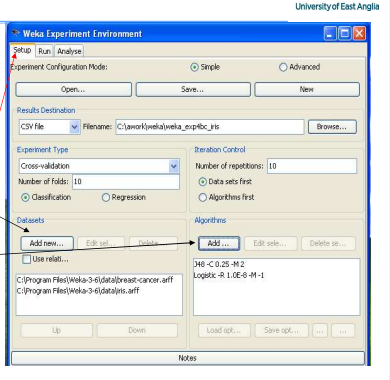
Select Attributes

- Click "Select Attributes"
- Choose an "attribute evaluator" - e.g. chiSquare
- Choose a "Search Method"
- Then click "Start"
- The selected attributes are listed.



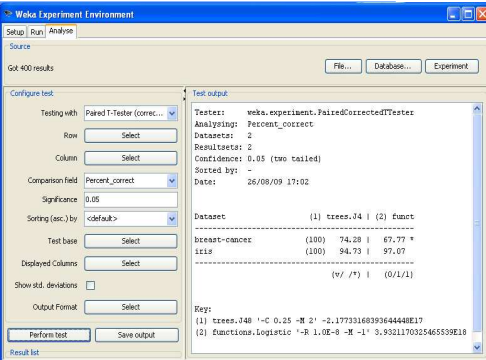
4.2 Weka Experimenter

- you can use Experimenter to carry out experiments for multiple data sets using multiple methods, e.g. classifying
- two data sets
 - Breast cancer
 - Iris
- Using two methods
 - Decision Tree: J48
 - Logistic
- The experiment is "Setup" as shown in the screenshot.
- Then click "Run"



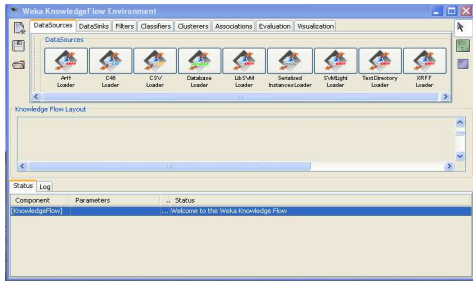
Analysis of the results

- Click "analysis" to analyse the results,
- E.g. paired t-test significance
- Click "Experiment"
- Configure test: choose appropriate test and parameters
- Click "Perform test" and the test results are listed.



4.3 KnowledgeFlow

- Click KnowledgeFlow on Weka GUI Chooser
- A new window opened for building KDD process.

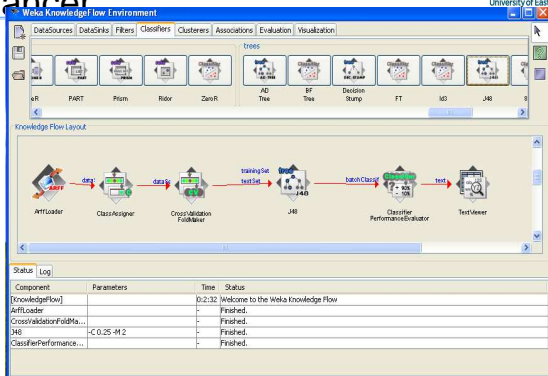


Steps for building a KDD process

Major steps for building a process

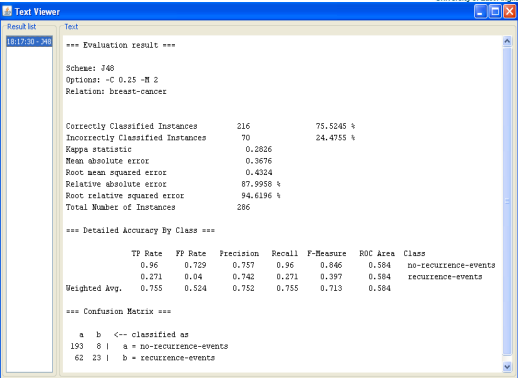
- Adding required nodes
 - Add nodes
 - Add a data source node from "DataSources"
 - Right click to configure it with a data set
 - Add a classAssigner node from "Evaluation" and a CrossValidationFoldmaker node
 - Add a classifier, e.g. J48, from Classifiers
 - Add a classifierPerformanceEvaluator node from "Evaluation"
 - Add a text viewer from "Visualisation"
- Connect the nodes
 - Right click "DataSource" node and choose DataSet, then connect it to the ClassAssigner node,
 - do the same or similar for connecting between the other nodes.
- Run the process (using the default setups for each node)
 - Right click DataSource node and choose "Start loading", the process should run and "Status" window should indicate if the run is correct and completed.
- View the results:
 - If the run is correctly completed, right click "Text Viewer" node and choose "Show results", then another window pops out to show the results.

A KDD process for Breast Cancer



Results of the KDD process

- right click "Text Viewer" node and choose "Show results" then another window pops out to show the results.



5. Weka Tutorial Summary

- Weka is open source data mining software that offers
- Some GUI interfaces for data mining
 - Explorer
 - Experimenter
 - KnowledgeFlow
 - Many functions and tools that include
 - Methods for **classification**:
 - decision trees, rule learners, naive Bayes, decision tables, locally weighted regression, SVMs, instance-based learners, logistic regression, multi-layer perceptron
 - methods for **regression/prediction**:
 - linear regression, model tree generators, locally weighted regression, instance-based learners, decision tables, multi-layer perceptron
 - Ensemble schemes**
 - Bagging, boosting, stacking, RandomForest
 - Methods for **clustering**:
 - K-means, EM and Cobweb
 - Methods for feature selection