CITS5504 Data Warehousing

Project Report

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Introduction

Mobile Price Classification Dataset, provided by the UWA CITS5508 Team, is set to be analysed for Pattern Discovery and Predictive Modelling. The aim of this project is to apply several different machine learning algorithms to predict whether the price of a mobile phone is high or low. The mobile_price.csv file will undergo vigorous data pre-processing and cleaning, and the original dataset may be split into separate data marts dependent on the machine learning technique applied.

Data Pre-processing

Overview of Data

In the mobile price dataset, there are 2000 records with 21 individual attributes (excluding the identifier column - id). Each attribute represents the presence/absence of a feature or the specification of a feature. For instance, the following attributes "blue", "wifi, "ram", "sc_h" and "sc_w" indicate whether the phone has Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, RAM in megabytes, and the height and width of the mobile phone in centimetres, respectively.

Attribute Types

The type of each attribute in the dataset is defined in the table below:

Attribute	\mathbf{Type}	Attribute	Type	Attribute	\mathbf{Type}	Attribute	\mathbf{Type}
Id	Nominal	four_g	Binary	px_height	Numeric	${\rm three_g}$	Binary
Battery_poweNumeric		int_memory	Numeric	px_width	Numeric	touch_screen	Binary
blue	Binary	m_{dep}	Numeric	ram	Numeric	wifi	Binary
clock_speed	Numeric	${\rm mobile_wt}$	Numeric	sc_h	Numeric	price_catego	y Binary
dual_sim	Binary	n_cores	Ordinal	sc_w	Numeric		
fc	Numeric	рc	Numeric	talk time	Numeric		

Data Cleaning

Mobile Price Classification Dataset is a relatively clean dataset. From our analysis, the data contains no missing values, in other words, each attribute contains 2000 non-null values.

Naming conventions

The attributes **blue**, **dual_sim**, **three_g**, and **wifi** map to binary outputs, yes or no. Within these specific attributes, we noticed inconsistent input conventions. For instance, **blue** was encoded with the following values: ['Yes', 'YES', 'has','Has','yes'] for the binary output yes, and ['NO', 'not', 'Not','No','no'] for the binary output no. To fix this issue, we replaced all the values related to 'yes' to 1, and 'no' to 0. This method was applied to all the attribute values in the columns mentioned above. This can be seen in the code below.

```
def rename_binary_attributes(data, attribute):
    for index in attribute:
        data[attribute] = data[attribute].replace(['Yes', 'YES', 'has', 'Has', 'yes'], 'yes')
        data[attribute] = data[attribute].replace(['NO', 'not', 'Not', 'No', 'no'], 'no')
    return data
mobile_data = rename_binary_attributes(mobile_data, ['blue', 'dual_sim', 'three_g', 'wifi'])
```

Discretization

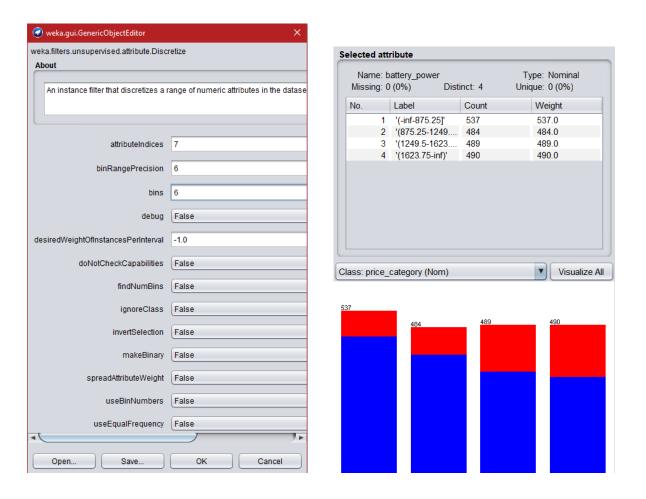
The attributes **four_g**, **touch_screen**, **n_cores** and **price_category** are all categorical labels, but Weka reads them as numerical. Association mining can only be performed on categorical data. So to allow Weka to differentiate between labels, it is more convenient if the categorical data are labelled. Otherwise, upon analysis on Weka, it will return the min, max, mean, standard deviation, instead of the frequency. So, to discretize these attributes, we removed the 'numeric' keyword from the saved arff file and added lists of correct labels (see image below).

```
    mobile_price_No Discretisation.arff 

    ■

                                                                      ■ mobile_price_Discretized.arff
     @relation mobile price
                                                                           @relation mobile price
     @attribute id numeric
                                                                           @attribute id numeric
     @attribute battery_power numeric
                                                                           @attribute battery_power numeric
     @attribute blue {no,yes}
                                                                           @attribute blue {no,yes}
     @attribute clock_speed numeric
                                                                           @attribute clock_speed numeric
     @attribute dual_sim {no,yes}
                                                                           @attribute dual_sim {no,yes}
                                                                           @attribute fc numeric
@attribute four_g {0,1}
     @attribute fc numeric
     @attribute four g numeric
 10 @attribute int_memory numeric
                                                                       10 @attribute int_memory numeric
 11 @attribute m_dep numeric
                                                                       11 @attribute m_dep numeric
 12 @attribute mobile wt numeric
                                                                       12 @attribute mobile_wt numeric
     @attribute n_cores numeric
                                                                           @attribute n_cores {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8}
 14 @attribute pc numeric
                                                                       14 @attribute pc numeric
 15 @attribute px_height numeric
                                                                           @attribute px_height numeric
 16 @attribute px_width numeric
                                                                       16 @attribute px_width numeric
     @attribute ram numeric
                                                                           @attribute ram numeric
    @attribute sc h numeric
                                                                           @attribute sc h numeric
    @attribute sc_w numeric
@attribute talk_time numeric
                                                                           @attribute sc_w numeric
@attribute talk_time numeric
 21 @attribute three_g {no,yes}
                                                                           @attribute three_g {no,yes}
     @attribute touch_screen numeric
                                                                           @attribute touch screen {0,1}
    @attribute wifi {yes,no}
                                                                           @attribute wifi {yes,no}
                                                                           @attribute price_category {0,1}
     @attribute price_category numeric
```

As for the numeric data, we need to discretize them by classifying them into value ranges. This is done with the built-in Weka filter for discretization (see image below). The filter is applied on the battery_power, clock_speed, fc, mobile_wt, pc, px_height, px_width, ram, sc_h, and talk_time attributes to convert them from numeric to 4-bin categorical. We also convert int_memory attribute to a 6-bin categorical attribute. These bins have more or less an equal-width distribution. The output of the filter on battery_power is shown below.



Weka's naming convention for discretized attributes is hard to interpret. Therefore, we have manually done a find/replace for each of these attributes with easier to read attribute values.

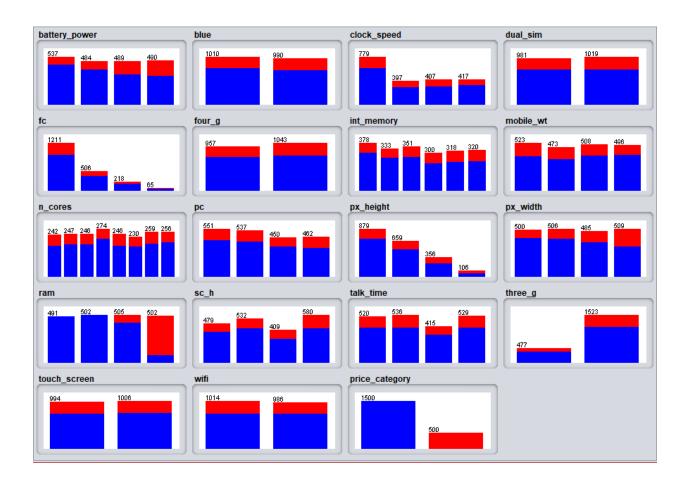
Removing unnecessary attributes

From observing the values in the dataset, the following attributes will be removed.

- id: unique number assigned to each instance in the dataset. However, there is no correlation between the id attribute and the target attribute, price_category. So, when passing this attribute over to machine learning algorithms, it will not contribute to the output.
- m_dep: this attribute has non-sensible values. It seems unreasonable that phones are less than 0.5cm thick. The meaning of this attribute is unclear and therefore will be removed.
- sc_w: this attribute too has non-sensible values because we cannot have a screen width of 0cm, which there are a lot of records of. Therefore this attribute will be removed because its meaning is not clear.

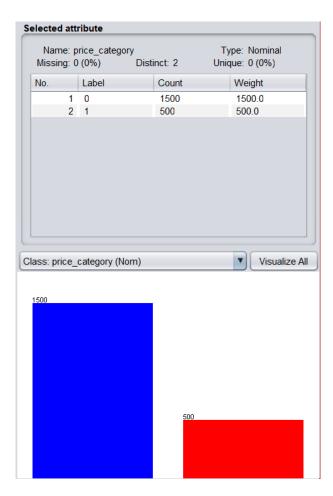
Final attributes

The image below visualises all the final attributes, their distributions, and the representation of the target class (price_category) with the red and blue colours. The red defining the high price category, and the blue being the low class category.



Association Rule Mining

Association Rule Mining is a category of unsupervised learning, allowing patterns in data to be found without a target variable. It is associated with finding frequent item sets. Association rules are used to find interesting if-then patterns using metrics like Support, Confidence and Lift. In the context of the mobile price dataset, we want to find attribute sets that have high correlation to the price category. It is important to note the data imbalance in the target attribute **price_category**. There are 3 times more low priced mobile phones than high priced ones.



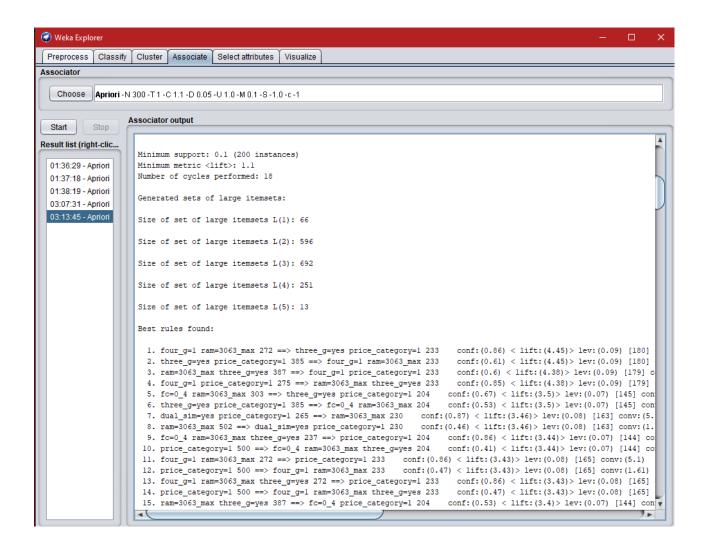
Apriori Algorithm

We used Weka's built-in Apriori algorithm miner for this exercise. Initially, we used confidence and support as the primary metrics to evaluate the quality of the rules generated by the apriori model. We found that confidence was not a good measure for model evaluation as the majority of the associations belonged to either the price_category=low or three_g=yes, as observed in the figure below. This was recurrent for all values of minMetric. Ordering by confidence has the downside that not all rules with high confidence are interesting or helpful. This is because the confidence is calculated off solely based on frequency of the right hand side. And since there is a significantly high sample frequency in **price_category** and **three_g**, we see most top rules having a confidence of 1. The figure below only displays 30 rules; however, it was tested for different sample sizes and resulted similarly.

```
Best rules found:
1. four_g=1 1043 ==> three_g=yes 1043
          <conf:(1)> lift:(1.31) lev:(0.12) [248] conv:(248.76)
2. four_g=l price_category=0 768 ==> three_g=yes 768
              <conf:(1)> lift:(1.31) lev:(0.09) [183] conv:(183.17)
3. fc=0_4 four_g=1 634 ==> three_g=yes 634
           <conf:(1)> lift:(1.31) lev:(0.08) [151] conv:(151.21)
4. pc=0 5 551 ==> fc=0 4 551 <conf:(1)> lift:(1.65) lev:(0.11) [217] conv:(217.37)
22. blue=no four g=1 price category=0 393 ==> three g=yes 393 <conf:(1)> lift:(1.31) lev:(0.05) [93] conv:(93.73)
24. four_g=1 touch_screen=1 price_category=0 388 ==> three_g=yes 388 <conf:(1)> lift:(1.31) lev:(0.05) [92] conv
31. four_g=1 px_height=0_490 price_category=0 363 ==> three_g=yes 363
                  <conf:(1)> lift:(1.31) lev:(0.04) [86] con
32. three_g=no price_category=0 362 ==> four_g=0 362
             <conf:(1)> lift:(2.09) lev:(0.09) [188] conv:(188.78)
```

Therefore, instead of using confidence, we use Lift and Support as our primary metrics (see below for selected hyperparameters). Lift measures the importance of a rule. A lift value greater than 1 indicates that occurrence of item A has a positive association with item B, lift value less than 1 indicates that occurrence of item A has a negative association with item B and a lift value of 0, means there is no association between the two attributes. Therefore lift ranks according to the dependence of the left side and the right side. This in turn ends up giving us a more accurate depiction if one variable is truly dependent on the other or if it is just due to frequency of that rule in the dataset. The images below show the settings used for the Apriori algorithm using the Lift metric type and the output.

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weka.associations.Apriori		
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delta	0.05	
doNotCheckCapabilities	False	v
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minMetric	1.1	
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significanceLevel	-1.0	
treatZeroAsMissing	False	•
upperBoundMinSupport	1.0	
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Top 10 association rules

	Ru	le	conf	lift
1	fc =0_4		0.86	3.44
	ram =3063_max three _ g =yes <u>237</u> ===	=> price_category =1 <u>204</u>		
2	four_g=1 ram=3063_max 272 ===	> price category=1 233	0.86	3.43
3	four_g=1 ram=3063_max three_g=yes 272 ===	=> price_category =1 233	0.86	3.43
4	fc=0_4 ram=3063_max <u>303</u> ===	$>$ price_category= $1\ \underline{257}$	0.85	3.39
5	ram=3063_max touch_screen=1 243 ===	$>$ price_category= $1\ \underline{206}$	0.85	3.39
6	ram=3063_max three_g=yes <u>387</u> ==	$=>$ price_category= $1\ \underline{327}$	0.84	3.38
7	ram=3063_max wifi=yes <u>257</u> ===	$=>$ price_category= $1\ \underline{216}$	0.84	3.36
8	blue =yes ram =3063_max <u>260</u> ===	$>$ price_category= $1\ \underline{218}$	0.84	3.35
9	ram = 3063 max 502 = = 3	> price_category=1 418	0.83	3.33
10	blue =no ram =3063_max 242 ==>	price_category=1 200	0.83	3.31

Top 10 association rules comprehension

- 1) If the mobile phone has a front camera between 0 and 4 pixels, with ram greater than 3063MB and has three_g, then it is 3.39 times more likely for the mobile phone to be high priced.
- 2) If the mobile phone has four_g and has ram greater than 3063MB, then it is 3.43 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.
- 3) If the mobile phone has four_g, three_g and ram greater than 3063MB, then it is 3.43 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.

- 4) If the mobile phone has a front camera pixel between 0 and 4 and ram greater than 3063MB, then it is 3.39 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.
- 5) If the mobile phone has ram greater than 3063 MB and is touch_screen, then it is 3.39 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.
- 6) If the mobile phone has ram greater than 3063 MB and has three_g, then it is 3.38 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.
- 7) If the mobile phone has ram greater than 3063 MB and has wifi, then it is 3.36 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.
- 8) If the mobile phone has bluetooth and ram greater than 3063 MB, then it is 3.35 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.
- 9) If the ram is greater than 3063 MB, then it is 3.33 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.
- 10) If the phone does not have bluetooth but has a ram greater than 3063 MB, then it is 3.31 times more likely for the mobile to be high priced.

Recommended features for a high price mobile phone (To Do)

- Noticeable component observed from the rules above is RAM. RAM has a significant influence over the price of the mobile phone as all 10 of the rules presented above, contains high memory RAM with more than 3063MB. Regardless of whether the phone is equipped with bluetooth, we recommend that to build a high priced mobile phone, it is important to have a relatively larger amount of RAM.
- For high priced mobile phone, the device should be equipped with the following features:
 - It should be touchscreen
 - Must have front camera pixels
 - Must be compatible with both three g and four g

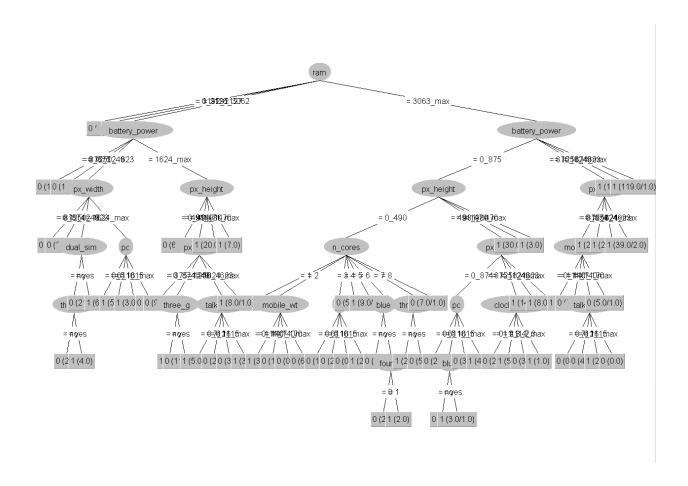
Classification

Decision Trees and Support Vector Classifier (SVM) are two supervised models that will be used for data analysis on the price mobile dataset. Decision Tree models output a tree-like structure with different branches and nodes, representing the statistical probability of a decision or an outcome. These models are versatile as they can perform analysis on both a regression and classification dataset, to predict continuous or categorical data, respectively. Support Vector Machines finds the hyperplane (a.k.a decision boundary) that separates the two features. In this model, the SVM will predict which category the mobile phone price will belong to. The best decision boundary is one that maximises the margins from both features.

Decision Tree

The decision tree was created using the 10 fold cross-validation method on the J48 model.

```
Number of Leaves :
Size of the tree :
Time taken to build model: 0.08 seconds
=== Stratified cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===
Correctly Classified Instances
                            1846
                                           92.3
Incorrectly Classified Instances
                             154
                                             7.7
Kappa statistic
                               0.7927
                               0.0937
Mean absolute error
                               0.2476
Root mean squared error
                              24.9774 %
Relative absolute error
Root relative squared error
                               57.1743 %
Total Number of Instances
                              2000
=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
             TP Rate FP Rate Precision Recall F-Measure MCC
                                                          ROC Area PRC Area Class
             0.953 0.168 0.945 0.953 0.949 0.793 0.955 0.981 0
             0.832 0.047 0.856 0.832 0.844
                                                   0.793 0.955 0.836
                                                                           1
             Weighted Avg.
=== Confusion Matrix ===
     b <-- classified as
1430 70 | a = 0
  84 416 | b = 1
```



Using our fully discretized data, we get a very big decision tree with 66 leaves and 91 nodes. The overall accuracy of correctly classified instances is 92.3%. The precision and recall are both greater than 94.5% for low priced mobile phones, which is very good and much better than random guess (50%). However, classifying high priced mobile phones scored much lower at 85.6% and 83.2% in precision and recall. This is probably due to the class imbalance in the dataset. Visualising the tree does show that it is very cluttered and could use some data reduction to see if we can get similar results (or better) with lower complexity. More on this after the data reduction section below.

Support Vector Machine

The SVM was created using the 10 fold cross-validation method on the SMO model.

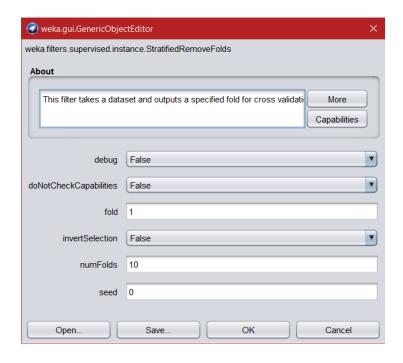
```
Number of kernel evaluations: 349881 (82.676% cached)
Time taken to build model: 0.36 seconds
=== Stratified cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===
Correctly Classified Instances 1963
                                               98.15 %
                                                1.85 %
                                 0.951
Kappa statistic
                                 0.0185
Mean absolute error
Root mean squared error
                                 0.136
Relative absolute error
                                  4.9315 %
                              31.4112 %
Root relative squared error
Total Number of Instances
Total Number of Instances
                              2000
=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
              TP Rate FP Rate Precision Recall F-Measure MCC
                                                              ROC Area PRC Area Class
              0.985 0.028 0.991 0.985 0.988 0.951 0.978 0.987
             0.972 0.015 0.955
                                     0.972 0.963 0.951 0.978 0.935
                                                                                 1
Weighted Avg. 0.982 0.025 0.982 0.982 0.982 0.951 0.978 0.974
=== Confusion Matrix ===
   a b <-- classified as
1477 23 | a = 0
  14 486 | b = 1
```

Using the fully discretized data, our SVM model gives us a very high accuracy for correctly labelled classes at 98.15%. The precision and recall were very good at over 99.1% and 98.5% for classifying low priced mobile phones, and 95.5% and 97.2% for high priced mobile phones.

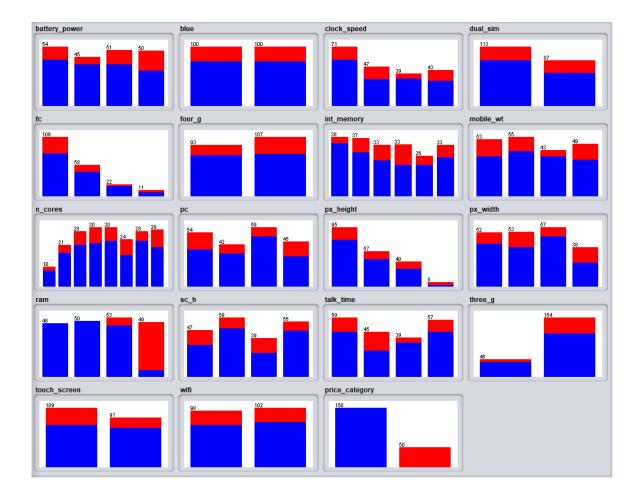
Data Reduction

Numerosity Reduction

Numerosity reduction is a technique which replaces original data volume by smaller forms of data representation. It is useful to increase performance in the analysis of a data set and also provide an easier and quicker way to test attributes of data. A specific form of numerosity reduction is sampling, in which a large data set is represented by a smaller random data sample. In Weka, different forms of sampling exist. We will use the filter StratifiedRemoveFolds using 10 folds. We keep the seed option to default value 0 as we do not want the order of the instances to be randomized. A picture of the parameters for this filter is shown below:



Using this filter we are able to sample the dataset to a much smaller subset as shown below. All attributes now have randomized subsets of the original data.



Feature Reduction

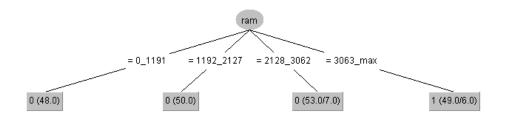
In addition to this we apply dimensionality reduction (or feature reduction) to the data set in order to reduce the number of features and improve the performance even further. If two attributes with different numbers of possible values (categories) have the same Entropy, Information Gain cannot differentiate them (decision tree algorithm will select one of them randomly). In the same situation Gain Ratio, will favor attributes with less categories. Hence, the Gain Ratio strategy leads to better generalization (less overfitting) of decision tree models. We applied Gain Ratio evaluation using Weka's built-in filter GainRatioAttributeEval and then reduced the feature space to the top 10 attributes (about half the number of attributes in the original dataset).

```
=== Attribute Selection on all input data ===
Search Method:
       Attribute ranking.
Attribute Evaluator (supervised, Class (nominal): 19 price_category):
       Gain Ratio feature evaluator
Ranked attributes:
0.2654568 13 ram
0.0190314 15 talk_time
0.0151302 14 sc_h
0.0139529 11 px_height
0.0134748 12 px_width
0.0124999 7 int_memory
0.0114976 10 pc
0.010083 1 battery power
0.009055 16 three_g
0.0085773 8 mobile_wt
0.0075666 3 clock_speed
0.0070732
           6 four_g
0.0068575 5 fc
0.0055369 17 touch_screen
0.0034805 9 n cores
0.0019973 4 dual_sim
0.0000962 18 wifi
           2 blue
Selected attributes: 13,15,14,11,12,7,10,1,16,8,3,6,5,17,9,4,18,2 : 18
```

Using Reduced Data in Decision Tree

We will now use the reduced data to train a decision tree to see if it improved the output and/or made the model less complex. For the test set, we will use the data without numerosity reduction (because the fully reduced data is small, and therefore the results will suffer from overfitting, even with cross-validation; plus, why waste available data!).

```
Number of Leaves :
Size of the tree :
Time taken to build model: 0.03 seconds
=== Evaluation on test set ===
Time taken to test model on supplied test set: 0.14 seconds
=== Summary ===
Correctly Classified Instances
                                    1834
                                                       91.7
Incorrectly Classified Instances
                                     166
                                                       8.3
Kappa statistic
                                       0.779
Mean absolute error
Root mean squared error
                                       0.2647
Relative absolute error
                                      33.4809 %
Root relative squared error
                                      61.1228 %
Total Number of Instances
                                    2000
=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
                TP Rate FP Rate Precision Recall F-Measure MCC
                                                                        ROC Area PRC Area Class
                0.944
                        0.164
                                 0.945
                                            0.944
                                                     0.945
                                                               0.779
                                                                        0.944
                                                                                  0.971
                                                                                           0
                                                                                  0.778
                0.836
                         0.056
                                 0.833
                                            0.836
                                                     0.834
                                                               0.779
                                                                        0.944
                                                                                           1
Weighted Avg.
                0.917
                         0.137
                                 0.917
                                            0.917
                                                     0.917
                                                               0.779
                                                                        0.944
                                                                                  0.922
=== Confusion Matrix ===
   a b <-- classified as
1416 84 | a = 0
  82 418 |
              b = 1
```



The reduced feature space still worked well for the decision tree. It performed similarly as the previous tree with comparable values for precision and recall for low priced mobile phones. Even though it did not do as well in precision for the high price mobile phones are

the previous tree, the difference is not only 2%. Furthermore, the tree only has 5 nodes (i.e. 1 attribute). This is interesting, but not surprising, as we saw a similar case in association mining where every rule had \mathbf{ram} in its itemset. Therefore, we were able to achieve similar results with much less complexity.

Using Reduced Data in SVM

We will now use the reduced data to train an SVM to see if it improved the output and/or made the model less complex. Again, for the test set, we will use the data without numerosity reduction.

```
Number of kernel evaluations: 11493 (90.207% cached)
Time taken to build model: 0.1 seconds
=== Evaluation on test set ===
Time taken to test model on supplied test set: 0.06 seconds
=== Summarv ===
Correctly Classified Instances
                                       1860
                                                             93
Incorrectly Classified Instances
                                        140
Kappa statistic
                                          0.8126
Mean absolute error
                                          0.07
                                          0.2646
Root mean squared error
Relative absolute error
                                         18.6053 %
Root relative squared error
                                         61.1 %
Total Number of Instances
                                        2000
=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
                 TP Rate FP Rate Precision Recall F-Measure MCC ROC Area PRC Area Class 0.955 0.146 0.952 0.955 0.953 0.813 0.905 0.943 0 0.854 0.045 0.864 0.854 0.859 0.813 0.905 0.775 1
Weighted Avg.
               0.930 0.121 0.930 0.930 0.930 0.813 0.905
                                                                                          0.901
=== Confusion Matrix ===
      b <-- classified as
 1433 67 | a = 0
73 427 | b = 1
```

Unlike the decision tree, the reduced data did not fare as well as without reduction. We can see that accuracy dropped down to 93% from the 98% from before. Precision and recall fell by more than 10%. This is due to the high false positive rate for high priced mobile phones. Therefore, in this context, the SVM would like the full original data as input for better results.

Model Evaluations

Model	Trained with	Tested with	Accuracy	Precision		Recall	
				Low price	High price	Low price	High price
Decision Tree	Original data	10 cross-val	92.3%	94.5%	85.6%	95.3%	83.2%
Decision Tree	Reduced data	Original data	91.7%	94.5%	83.3%	94.4%	83.6%
SVM	Original data	10 cross-val	98.2%	99.1%	95.5%	98.5%	97.2%
SVM	Reduced data	Original data	93%	95.2%	86.4%	85.4%	93.0%

The above table summarises the model performances of decision trees and SVMs against original and reduced training datasets. For the decision trees, even though the performance decreased across all metrics, it is not too dissimilar (RMSE increased from 24% to 26%). The data reduction did help to simplify the tree model with just a single attribute. Therefore, in our opinion, the quality of the tree did improve because it is simpler whilst still providing similar results. As for the SVM, the reduction in data did not improve performance. Precision for high price mobile phones fell by 9% and recall by 4%. Overall accuracy also fell by 5%. The RMSE increased from 13.6% to 26.4% (meaning that the line of best fit for the predicted values has a lower concentration of actual values around it). Therefore, we can say that data reduction did not improve the quality of the model.

Clustering

For clustering, we use the k-means algorithm. We set k as 2, since we will be using the classes to cluster evaluation and therefore would want two centroids. For the distance measure, we use the default Euclidean distance. We first run the algorithm on the original data set with some pre-processing (discretization and one-hot encoding). The results are presented below.

```
Time taken to build model (full training data): 0.02 seconds

=== Model and evaluation on training set ===

Clustered Instances

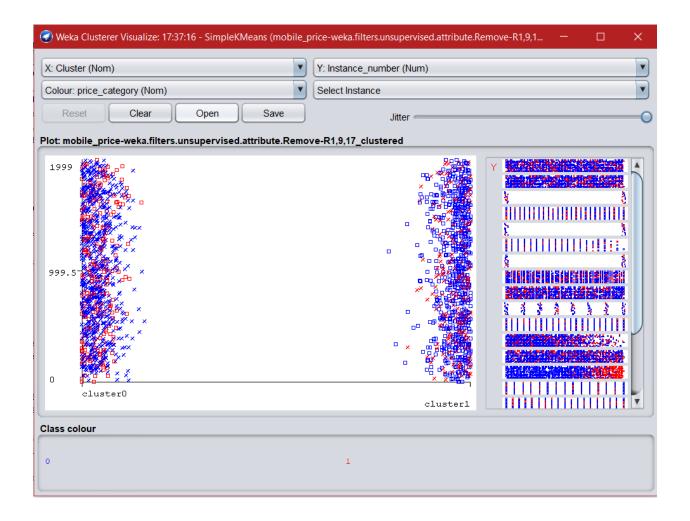
0 1022 (51%)
1 978 (49%)

Class attribute: price_category
Classes to Clusters:

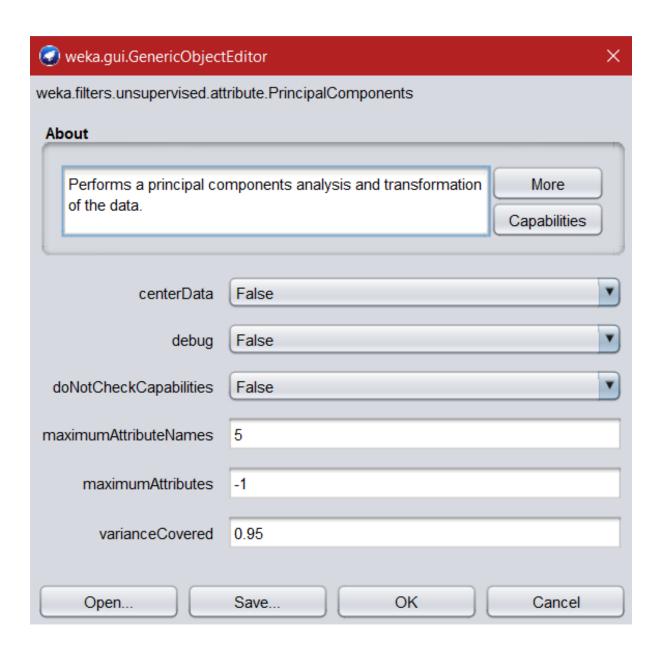
0 1 <-- assigned to cluster
762 738 | 0
260 240 | 1

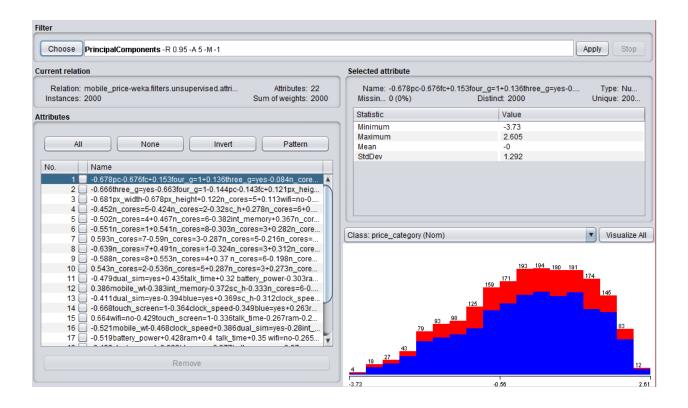
Cluster 0 <-- 0
Cluster 1 <-- 1
```

Incorrectly clustered instances: 998.0 49.9 %



The clustering algorithm did not provide any benefit as it classified almost 50% of the mobile prices in the wrong category, which is only as good as random guessing. To improve the algorithm, we decided to reduce the dataset with Principal Components Analysis that explained 95% of the variance.





By combining attributes into a regression of attributes, we have achieved our top ranked PC attribute with a standard deviation of 1.29, and the last PC attribute has a StdDev of 0.938. Using this data for the k-means algorithms, where k=2, gives the below result.

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Time taken to build model (full training data): 0.02 seconds

=== Model and evaluation on training set ===

Clustered Instances

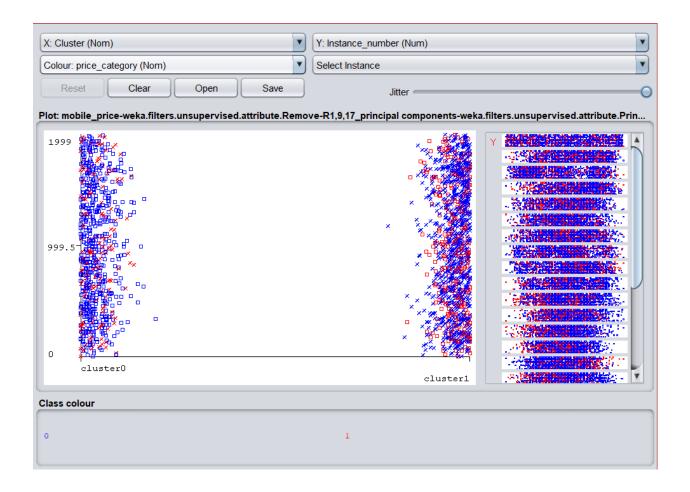
0 750 ( 38%)
1 1250 ( 63%)

Class attribute: price_category
Classes to Clusters:

0 1 <-- assigned to cluster
577 923 | 0
173 327 | 1

Cluster 0 <-- 1
Cluster 1 <-- 0

Incorrectly clustered instances: 904.0 45.2 %
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Though not much, the PCA reduction helped increase the accuracy of the clustered instances into the right classes by 5.7%. In context, the 54.8% of mobile phone records have been correctly clustered into high-/low-price categories. Since the visualization does not present a clear separation, clustering might not be a suitable algorithm to group mobile phone data in price categories.

Learning Relation Context

Association mining rules is an unsupervised machine learning technique that helps us to find patterns, correlation and associations between attributes. In the context of the mobile phone dataset, given a set of transactions where each transaction consists of k-itemsets, we are going to apply the following metrics: support, confidence and lift, to predict the category of the mobile phone prices based on the occurrences of other items in the transactions. Association rule mining gives companies an indicator on which certain components of a phone should

be grouped together to design a high price mobile phone. We used an association mining technique known as Apriori Algorithm. Apriori Algorithm identifies frequent itemsets based on minimum support and confidence or lift threshold. It is a more efficient method to prune away infrequent itemsets. The algorithm generates association rules which help companies to identify how well associated or correlated certain components are to the price of the mobile phone. These association rules help companies design high priced mobile phones.

Classification is a supervised predictive modelling technique to predict the class of a given input data. The model is trained using cross-validation which splits the data into 10 sub samples of equal or similar sizes. In each iteration of the splitting, the model utilizes nine of those sets in the training model, and uses one set as the test set. Test set is the unseen data, to which the classification model will predict the class for the given input unseen data. For the mobile phone dataset, we use a binary classification to determine whether a mobile phone is a high priced mobile phone. This binary classification involves two states: 1 and 0. For our dataset, we allocated 1 as "high" and 0 and "low". The following two machine learning techniques: decision tree and support vector machine, are popular methods for binary classification. The overall aim of classification is to predict whether the mobile phone price is high or low based on the attributes and instances given within the dataset.

As previously stated, the decision tree forms a tree-like hierarchical structure, which bases its methodologies on the if-then rule set. The decision tree recursively splits the data downwards in a divide and conquer manner. In our model, the decision tree calculates the information gain for each attribute, and the attribute with the highest information gain value is selected as the root node, so in our case, the RAM. The decision tree splits the data based on the decision into separate branches, and repeats the same process but only for instances that satisfy the condition. This process will continue until the true nodes are found. For a better explanation, refer to the example below.

Support vector machines find the best decision boundary between high and low classifications. The SVM takes all the instances as input and outputs the best hyperplane that maximises the margins from the nearest/closest element/instance of each class. The decision boundary is a linear line that separates those two classes, where all the instances on one side of the line represent high, and low on the other side. In our case, we used a non-linear kernel Polykern to segregate the classes. So when the algorithm is trained with the unseen data, the model will decide whether the price of the mobile phone is low or high depending on which side of the boundary lies on.

Clustering is an unsupervised learning algorithm that splits the instances in a specified number of groups, known as clusters. Clustering is a technique that groups together all the attributes with similar traits into clusters. In order to produce a good cluster, it must consist of high intra-class similarity and low inter-class similarity. In the context of the mobile price dataset, the aim is to group the features with similar components and its respective size of the component, to differentiate between the high and low class price categories.

The clustering method applied to the dataset is k-means. The k-mean algorithm separates the instances into k clusters where each instance is assigned to the nearest cluster centroid. In the contexts of the mobile price dataset, the number of clusters we chose is two. K-means is being used for classification to determine the price of the mobile phone. So in this case, one cluster is allocated to the high price features, and the second cluster is allocated to the low price features. The algorithm selects two inputs from the dataset, and assigns that input value to the cluster whose distance is minimal with the cluster's centroid. Recompute the centroid, and assign input to the relevant clusters, and repeat the whole process. By the end of the model, we should receive two clusters, so when tested with unseen data, it will predict whether the model is high or low. However, the visualisations show that two clusters had no clear separation for the two price categories and hence we can conclude that clustering may not be a suitable method to straightforwardly get market insights into specifications that make up a higher priced mobile phone.