Action Rules

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What Are Action Rules?

• An action rule is a rule extracted from an information system that describes a transition of objects from one state to another with respect to a decision attribute.

A rule can be defined as:

$$r = [a1,1 \land a2,1 \land ... \land ap,1] \land [b1,1 \land b2,1 \land ... \land bq,1] \rightarrow d1$$

stable part flexible part

Stable attribute: attribute's value does not change

Flexible attributes: attribute's value can change

- Actions can be constructed from two rules extracted previously from the same database. These two rules describe two different decision classes. The goal is to re-classify objects from one of these classes into the other.
- Action rules describe knowledge about possible actions associated with objects which are hidden in a decision system.

Project Description

Extraction of Classification rules using LERS:

- The software required for the project was installed.
- The java code was run to obtain the classification rules using the LERS algorithm.
- The program returns the certain, possible and marked values after executing the LERS algorithm.

Reclassification of rules:

- ARAS generates all the classification rules using the LERS strategy.
- Clusters are built around the objects that are to be reclassified by the user by considering a decision attribute from the rules.

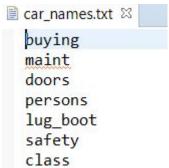
A Graphical user interface has been developed to ease the process of accepting input, producing the outputs, setting the support, confidence, initial, end values and selecting the decision attribute using Java.

Dataset

• Car: The car dataset consists of 2 files, the data file and the attribute file. The car_data.txt file contains the data on which the algorithm runs in order to calculate rules whereas the car_names.txt file contains the attribute names of the data present in car_data.txt file. The contents of these files can be seen below:

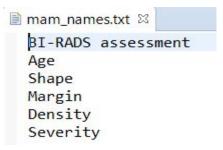
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ear_data.txt ⋈

whigh, whigh, 2, 2, small, low, unacc
whigh, whigh, 2, 2, small, med, unacc
whigh, whigh, 2, 2, small, high, unacc
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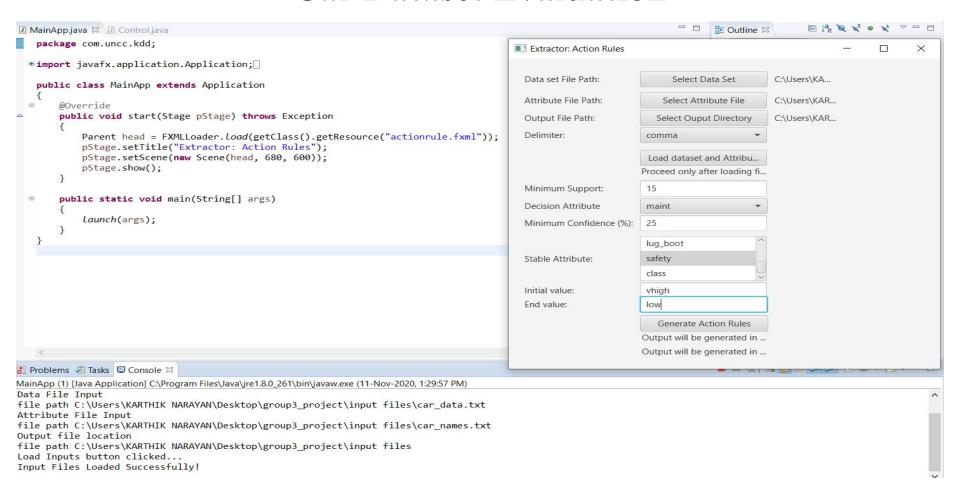


• **Mammographic**: Similarly, the mammographic dataset has 2 files whose contents can be seen below:

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mam_data.txt ⋈ 5,67,3,5,3,1 4,43,1,1,?,1 5,58,4,5,3,1
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Car Dataset Evaluation



Analysis/Results

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☑ MainApp.java 
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☑ Control.java

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   package com.uncc.kdd;
                                                                                                                               # com.uncc.kdd

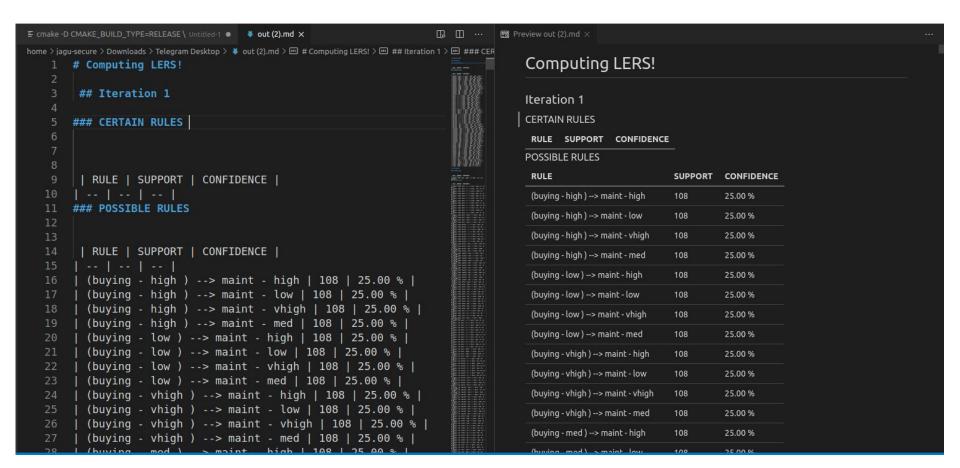
✓ G<sub>▶</sub> MainApp

  • import javafx.application.Application;

    start(Stage) : void

                                                                                                                                  s main(String[]): void
   public class MainApp extends Application
       @Override
       public void start(Stage pStage) throws Exception
           Parent head = FXMLLoader.load(getClass().getResource("actionrule.fxml"));
           pStage.setTitle("Extractor: Action Rules");
           pStage.setScene(new Scene(head, 680, 600));
           pStage.show():
       public static void main(String[] args)
           Launch(args);
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<terminated> MainApp (1) [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.8.0_261\bin\javaw.exe (11-Nov-2020, 1:29:57 PM)
$$ Computing Action Rules! $$
$$ ACTION RULES $$
(class: acc --> good ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 36 #### CONFIDENCE: 26.97 percent
(safety = high, class: acc --> good ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 36 #### CONFIDENCE: 26.97 percent
(safety = med, class: acc --> good ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 36 #### CONFIDENCE: 26.97 percent
(safety = med, class: unacc --> good ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 36 #### CONFIDENCE: 26.67 percent
(lug boot = big, safety = med, class: unacc --> good ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 36 #### CONFIDENCE: 25.00 percent
(buying: low --> vhigh, class = acc ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 16 #### CONFIDENCE: 33.33 percent
(buying: low --> vhigh, lug boot = big, class = acc ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 16 #### CONFIDENCE: 33.33 percent
(buving: low --> vhigh, safety = high, class = acc ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 16 #### CONFIDENCE: 33.33 percent
(lug boot = big, safety = high, class: acc --> vgood ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 16 #### CONFIDENCE: 26.67 percent
(lug boot = big, safety = med, class: acc --> good ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 16 #### CONFIDENCE: 44.44 percent
(safety = high, class: acc --> vgood ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 23 #### CONFIDENCE: 27.88 percent
(safety = high, class: unacc --> vgood ) --> (maint: vhigh --> low) #### SUPPORT: 24 #### CONFIDENCE: 26.67 percent
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Results generated as out.md



Conclusion

- LERS-type algorithm was implemented in order to construct action rules from a single classification rule.
- Relations representing rules produced by LERS strategy are marked.
- The overall complexity of the algorithm was decreased when LERS is used as the pre-processing module for ARAS.
- A Graphical user interface was created and operations were performed on it to obtain the action rules output in a text and md file.

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