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What is WEKA?

- Waikato Environment for Knowledge Analysis
 - It's a data mining/machine learning tool developed by Department of Computer Science, University of Waikato, New Zealand.
 - Weka is also a bird found only on the islands of New Zealand.



Download and Install WEKA

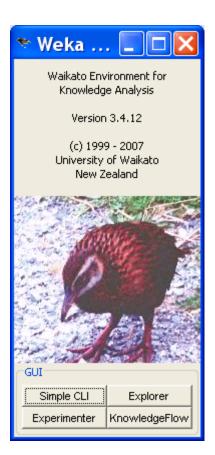
- Website:
 - http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/~ml/weka/index.html
- Support multiple platforms (written in java):
 - Windows, Mac OS X and Linux

Main Features

- 49 data preprocessing tools
- 76 classification/regression algorithms
- 8 clustering algorithms
- 3 algorithms for finding association rules
- 15 attribute/subset evaluators + 10 search algorithms for feature selection

Main GUI

- Three graphical user interfaces
 - "The Explorer" (exploratory data analysis)
 - "The Experimenter" (experimental environment)
 - "The KnowledgeFlow" (new process model inspired interface)



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Explorer: pre-processing the data

- Data can be imported from a file in various formats: ARFF, CSV, C4.5, binary
- Data can also be read from a URL or from an SQL database (using JDBC)
- Pre-processing tools in WEKA are called "filters"
- WEKA contains filters for:
 - Discretization, normalization, resampling, attribute selection, transforming and combining attributes, ...

WEKA only deals with "flat" files

@relation heart-disease-simplified

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@attribute age numeric
@attribute sex { female, male}
@attribute chest_pain_type { typ_angina, asympt, non_anginal, atyp_angina}
@attribute cholesterol numeric
@attribute exercise_induced_angina { no, yes}
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@attribute class { present, not_present}

@data
63,male,typ_angina,233,no,not_present
67,male,asympt,286,yes,present
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