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Appendices

The appendices in this section provide definitions of the symbols used, general definitions of statistical measures and descriptive statistics for the datasets used in the experiments. Details of correlation measurements, details for the 5NN aggregation algorithm, and OVA and pVn model performance are provided. Information is also provided on suggestions on how to use commonly available statistical and database software to implement some of the steps for the proposed feature and training dataset selection methods. Finally, a list of publications and conference presentations arising from the research is given. The table below summarises the appendix contents.

Table of appendices

Appendix	Title	Description
A	Definition of symbols	Definition of symbols used in the thesis
B	Definitions of statistical measures	Definitions of statistical measures used in the thesis
C	Descriptive statistics for datasets	Descriptive statistics for forest cover type, KDD Cup 1999, Abalaone3C and mushroom
D	Correlation measurements	Details of correlation measurements and feature selection of chapter 4
E	Algorithm for 5NN aggregation	Details of algorithm for the combination of 5NN base model predictions
F	Predictive performance of OVA and pVn models	Detailed results for accuracy for single and aggregate models for chapters 7 and 8.
G	ROC analysis details	Computation of the AUC for one-versus-rest ROC analysis. Details of AUC computation results.
H	Using statistical and database software to implement dataset selection methods	Suggestions for using commonly available statistical and database software to implement dataset selection
I	Publications and Conference Presentations	Publications and conference presentations arising out of the work reported in this thesis

Appendix A

Definition of symbols

Table A.1: Symbols used in the thesis

Symbol	Meaning
$accuracy$	The predictive accuracy of a model
B_i, \dots, B_v	Binary features created through the process of binarisation of a qualitative feature with v levels
$corr(X, Y)$	The sample correlation coefficient between two random variables X and Y
$corr_{cf}(f)$	The sample correlation coefficient between a feature f and a class variable C
$corr_{ff}(f)$	The mean correlation between feature f and all other currently selected features
c_1, \dots, c_k	The k levels of a class variable (number of classes for a prediction task)
C	A class variable for classification
$conf$	Probabilistic score assigned by a model to a class prediction as the level of confidence in the prediction
d	The number of predictive features (variables) that define the d -dimensional instance space for classification modeling
$1 - \delta$	The probability of a learner being able to induce a hypothesis from data as in PAC
$error$	The prediction error of a model
$error_D, error_R$	Error difference and error ratio for measuring performance gains
$error_S, error_A$	Prediction errors of a single model and aggregate model respectively
\mathcal{E}	Prediction error as in PAC
E	Entropy function
f	A feature (predictor) used in predictive modeling
ϕ	The phi coefficient for measuring the level of association between two qualitative variables
g_i	A region of the instance space
G	The Gini concentration coefficient
h	A hypothesis as defined in machine learning
H	A set of hypotheses as defined in machine learning
H_0 and H_a	The null hypothesis and alternative hypotheses for statistical hypothesis testing
k	Number of classes for a classification problem
K	Number of folds for cross validation
L_1, \dots, L_v	Levels of a qualitative (nominal or ordinal) variable
λ	Cut-off score value for ROC analysis

Table A.1 continued

Symbol	Meaning
m	A mapping or a function
M_A	General reference to a predictive model
μ_A	The population mean value of predictive accuracy of a model A
n	The size of a sample taken from a parent dataset
n_t	For sequential random sampling, n_t is the number of records already selected
N	The size of the parent dataset / database from which samples are taken
ova_i	The i^{th} sub-problem for the prediction of class C_i in OVA classification
p	Probability of obtaining an experimental result given that the null hypothesis is true (p value)
P	Percentage value for a confidence interval ($P\%$ confidence interval)
P_r	Probability
PT	The number of partitions of a parent dataset
$pred$	Output of a predictive model
π_c and π_d	The probabilities of concordance and discordance used in the computation of Kendall's tau
r_{XY}, r	Pearson's sample correlation coefficient for two random variables X and Y
τ_{XY}	Kendall's sample correlation coefficient for two random variables X and Y
R^d	Super domain of real values for the random variables X_1, \dots, X_d
$RSize, RQsize$	For sequential random sampling, $RSize$ is the number of records still to be processed; $RQsize$ is the number of records required for the sample
S_X	The sample standard deviation for random variable X
SU	Symmetrical uncertainty coefficient
σ_X	The population standard deviation for random variable X
si and spi	Situations for feature subset search
t	For sequential random sampling, t is the number of records processed so far
T	The T statistic for statistical hypothesis testing
u	Number of unselected features for heuristic feature subset search
v	Number of levels for a qualitative variable
V	Cramer's V statistic for measuring the level of association between two qualitative variables
$VC(H)$	The Vapnik-Chervonenkis dimension of a set of hypotheses H for a learning task
w	Number of features currently selected/processed by a feature selection method/algorithm
W	Number of candidate features for heuristic feature subset search

Table A1 continued

Symbol	Meaning
\mathbf{x} and x_1, \dots, x_d	A vector of predictive features (predictor variable) values (an instance)
x_q	A query (or test) instance to be classified / assigned a predicted value
X, Y	Random variables
Z	The Z statistic for statistical hypothesis testing
Z_p	Constant for the calculation of the $P\%$ confidence interval of the mean
$z\%$	Percentage of values to remove from each tail when winsorising variable values
Confusion matrix and ROC analysis symbols:	
Pos	Total number of positive instances
Neg	Total number of negative instances
TP	Number of positive instances predicted as positive
FN	Number of positive instances predicted as negative
TN	Number of negative instances predicted as negative
FP	Number of negative instances predicted as positive
$TPRATE$	Fraction of the positive instances predicted as positive
$FNRATE$	Fraction of the positive instances predicted as negative
$TNRATE$	Fraction of the negative instances predicted as negative
$FPRATE$	Fraction of the negative instances predicted as positive
$YRATE$	Fraction of test instances predicted as positive (used for lift analysis)

Appendix B

Definitions of statistical measures

A detailed discussion of the statistical measures used in this thesis is provided in this appendix. The entropy measure, Gini index of concentration, and measures of association (correlation) were used in the discussions of chapters 3, 4, 5 and 7.

B.1 Entropy definitions

The entropy function $E(X)$ (Giudici, 2003; Shanon & Weaver, 1962) measures the amount of uncertainty, heterogeneity, information or randomness in the values of the qualitative or quantitative discrete random variable X and is defined as

$$E(X) = -\sum_i P_r(x_i) \log_2 P_r(x_i) \quad (\text{B.1})$$

where $P_r(x_i)$ which is used as a shorthand notation for $P_r(X = L_i)$ is the probability that variable X has the value (level) L_i . The entropy of the random variable X , conditioned on the values of a second random variable Y is denoted as $E(X/Y)$ and is defined as

$$E(X | Y) = -\sum_j P_r(y_j) \sum_i P_r(x_i | y_j) \log_2 P_r(x_i | y_j) \quad (\text{B.2})$$

where $P_r(x_i | y_j)$ which is used as a shorthand for $P_r((X = L_i) | (Y = L_j))$ is the conditional probability that random variable X has the value (level) L_i given that random variable Y has the value (level) L_j and is defined as

$$P_r(x_i | y_j) = \frac{P_r(x_i, y_j)}{P_r(y_j)} \quad (\text{B.3})$$

where $P_r(x_i, y_j)$ is the probability of values x_i and y_j appearing together. The joint entropy of two random variables X and Y denoted as $E(X, Y)$ is defined as

$$E(X, Y) = - \sum_i P_r(x_i, y_j) \log_2 P_r(x_i, y_j) \quad (\text{B.4})$$

The difference between the entropy of X , $E(X)$ and the entropy of X conditioned on Y , $E(X|Y)$ is called the information gain $IG(X, Y)$ and is defined as

$$IG(X, Y) = E(X) - E(X | Y) \quad (\text{B.5})$$

$$IG(X, Y) = E(Y) - E(Y | X) \quad (\text{B.6})$$

$$IG(X, Y) = E(X) + E(Y) - E(X, Y) \quad (\text{B.7})$$

The information gain measures the amount of reduction in the entropy of X when the values of X are grouped based on the values of Y . As indicated by the equations (B.5) and (B.6), information gain $IG(X, Y)$ is a symmetric measure from which the symmetrical uncertainty coefficient SU is derived. The SU coefficient is defined as

$$SU = 2.0x \left[\frac{IG(X, Y)}{E(X) + E(Y)} \right] \quad (\text{B.8})$$

The SU coefficient was used for the experiments of chapters 5 and 7 as a measure of correlation (association) for qualitative features.

B.2 Measures of association

B.2.1 Pearson's correlation coefficient

Pearson's sample correlation coefficient, r (Wilcox, 2001), between two random variables X and Y is defined as

$$r_{XY} = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{(n-1)S_X S_Y} \quad (\text{B.9})$$

where S_X and S_Y are the standard deviations of X and Y respectively, and n is the sample size.

B.2.2 Kendall's correlation coefficient

Kendall's rank correlation coefficient τ (Wilcox, 2001) is defined as

$$\tau = \pi_c - \pi_d \quad (\text{B.10})$$

where π_c and π_d are the probabilities of concordance and discordance respectively.

A pair of observations, (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) shows concordance if $x_1 > x_2$ and $y_1 > y_2$ or $x_1 < x_2$ and $y_1 < y_2$, otherwise the pair shows discordance. The values π_c and π_d are computed for all possible pairs for a data sample. For a data sample of size n , there are $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ possible pairs. However, some pairs will be tied i.e. having neither concordance nor discordance.

B.2.3 Pearson's chi-square statistic

Pearson's chi-square statistic measures the level of association between two qualitative random variables X and Y (Giudici, 2003). The statistic is computed using the frequencies in a contingency table. A contingency table is a cross-tabulation which gives the frequencies of co-occurrence of the values (levels) of the variables X and Y . Pearson's chi-square statistic is defined as

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J \frac{(n_{ij} - n_{ij}^*)^2}{n_{ij}^*} \quad (\text{B.11})$$

where I and J are respectively the number of rows and columns in the contingency table, n_{ij} are the observed frequencies in the cells of the contingency table and, n_{ij}^* are the expected frequencies for the cells of the contingency table under the null hypothesis of independence between X and Y .

The ϕ coefficient and Cramer's V coefficients are derived from Pearson's chi-square coefficient, and have the same interpretation as Pearson's r coefficient. The ϕ coefficient is defined as (Giudici, 2003)

$$\phi^2 = \frac{\chi^2}{n} \quad (\text{B.12})$$

and Cramer's V coefficient is defined as

$$v^2 = \frac{\chi^2}{n \cdot \min\{I - 1, J - 1\}} \quad (\text{B.13})$$

The ϕ coefficient, Cramer's V coefficient, and symmetrical uncertainty coefficient can all be used to measure the level of association between two qualitative features.

B.3 Gini concentration coefficient

Suppose there are n entities on which a given property EP has been measured yielding n pairs of measurement values $\{(1, EP_1), \dots, (i, EP_i), \dots, (n, EP_n)\}$ where i identifies the i^{th} entity and EP_i identifies the measurement value for the i^{th} entity. Let F_i be the cumulative percentage of the count of entities from the first to the i^{th} entity. Let Q_i be the cumulative percentage of the measurement values from the first measurement, EP_1 to the i^{th} measurement, EP_i . A summary statistic of the concentration of the measured property EP among the n entities is called the Gini concentration coefficient defined as

$$Gini = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (F_i - Q_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} F_i} \quad (\text{B.14})$$

The *Gini* measure equals 0 for minimum concentration and 1 for maximum concentration. Minimum concentration means that all n entities have equal values of the property EP . Maximum concentration means that only one entity possesses the property EP and all other $n-1$ entities have a value of 0 for EP .

The Gini concentration coefficient is related to the Area Under the ROC curve (AUC) as follows: The EP property corresponds to the scores that are assigned by a probabilistic classifier. The AUC was discussed in section 4.7.

B.4 Computation of confidence intervals for the mean

A $P\%$ confidence interval for the mean is an interval that is expected with probability $P\%$ to contain the true value of the population mean (Mitchell, 1997). Laplace's estimate of the confidence interval of the population mean is defined as

$$CI = \left(\bar{x} - Z_p \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + Z_p \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \quad (B.15)$$

where \bar{x} is the sample mean for random variable X , S_x is the sample standard deviation, and n is the sample size (Wilcox, 2001; Mitchell, 1997). Different values of Z_p are used to obtain different confidence intervals. A value of $Z_p = 1.96$ is used for the 95% confidence interval. A value of $Z_p = 2.58$ is used for the 99% confidence interval (Wilcox, 2001; Mitchell, 1997).

Appendix C

Descriptive statistics for the datasets

The descriptive statistics for the datasets used in the experiments are presented in this section.

C.1 Forest cover type dataset

Figure C.1 provides the class frequencies and a graphic representation for the forest cover type dataset classes. Tables C.1 and C.2 show the descriptive statistics for the qualitative and quantitative variables in the forest cover type dataset.

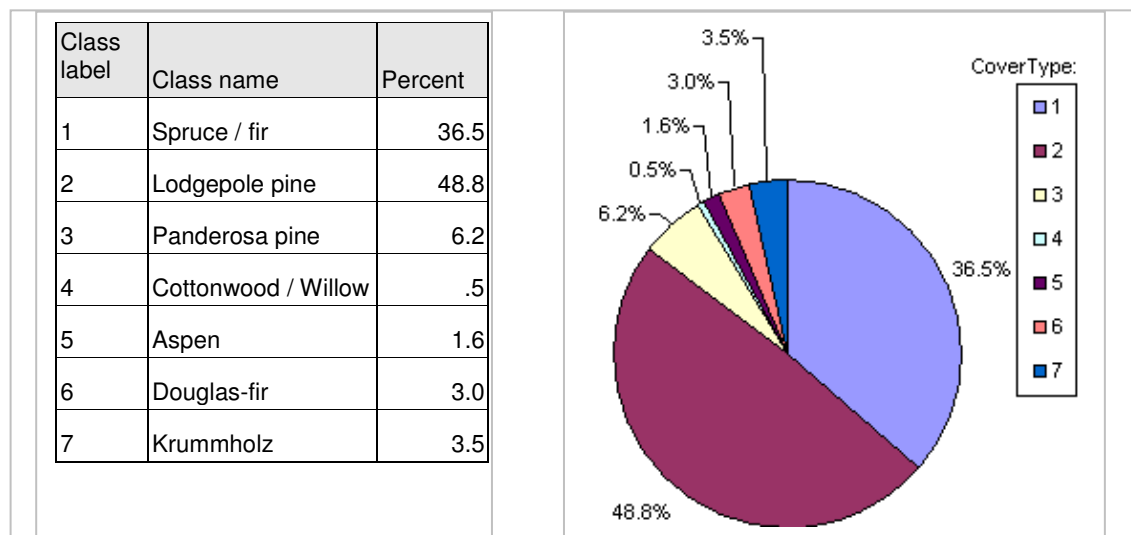


Figure C.1: Class frequencies for the forest cover type class variable (covertype)

Table C.1: Descriptive statistics for the quantitative variables in the forest cover type dataset

	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Standard Deviation	Coefficient of variation (CV)
Aspect	0	360	155.7	111.9	0.7
Elevation	1859	3858	2959.4	280.0	0.1
Slope	0	66	14.1	7.5	0.5
HorizDistToHydro	0	1397	269.4	212.5	0.8
VertDistToHydro	-173	601	46.4	58.3	1.3
HorizDistToRoad	0	7117	2350.2	1559.3	0.7
HillShade9am	0	254	212.2	26.8	0.1
HillShadeNoon	0	254	223.3	19.8	0.1
HillShade3pm	0	254	142.5	38.3	0.3
HorizDistToFire	0	7173	1980.3	1324.2	0.7

Table C.2: Descriptive statistics for the qualitative variables for the forest cover type dataset

Variable name	Percentage for '0'	Percentage for '1'	Variable name	Percentage for '0'	Percentage for '1'
WildernessArea1	55.1	44.9	SoilType19	99.3	0.7
WildernessArea2	94.9	5.1	SoilType20	98.4	1.6
WildernessArea3	56.4	43.6	SoilType21	99.9	0.1
WildernessArea4	93.6	6.4	SoilType22	94.3	5.7
SoilType1	99.5	0.5	SoilType23	90.1	9.9
SoilType2	98.7	1.3	SoilType24	96.3	3.7
SoilType3	99.2	0.8	SoilType25	99.9	0.1
SoilType4	97.9	2.1	SoilType26	99.6	0.4
SoilType5	99.7	0.3	SoilType27	99.8	0.2
SoilType6	98.9	1.1	SoilType28	99.8	0.2
SoilType7	99.98	0.02	SoilType29	80.2	19.8
SoilType8	99.97	0.03	SoilType30	94.8	5.2
SoilType9	99.8	0.2	SoilType31	95.6	4.4
SoilType10	94.4	5.6	SoilType32	91	9
SoilType11	97.9	2.1	SoilType33	92.2	7.8
SoilType12	94.8	5.2	SoilType34	99.7	0.3
SoilType13	97	3	SoilType35	99.7	0.3
SoilType14	99.9	0.1	SoilType36	100	0
SoilType15	100	0	SoilType37	99.9	0.1
SoilType16	99.5	0.5	SoilType38	97.3	2.7
SoilType17	99.4	0.6	SoilType39	97.6	2.4
SoilType18	99.7	0.3	SoilType40	98.5	1.5

C.2 KDD Cup 1999 dataset

Figure C.2 provides the class frequencies and a graphic representation for the KDD Cup 1999 dataset classes. Tables C.3 and C.4 give the descriptive statistics for the variables in the KDD Cup 1999 dataset.

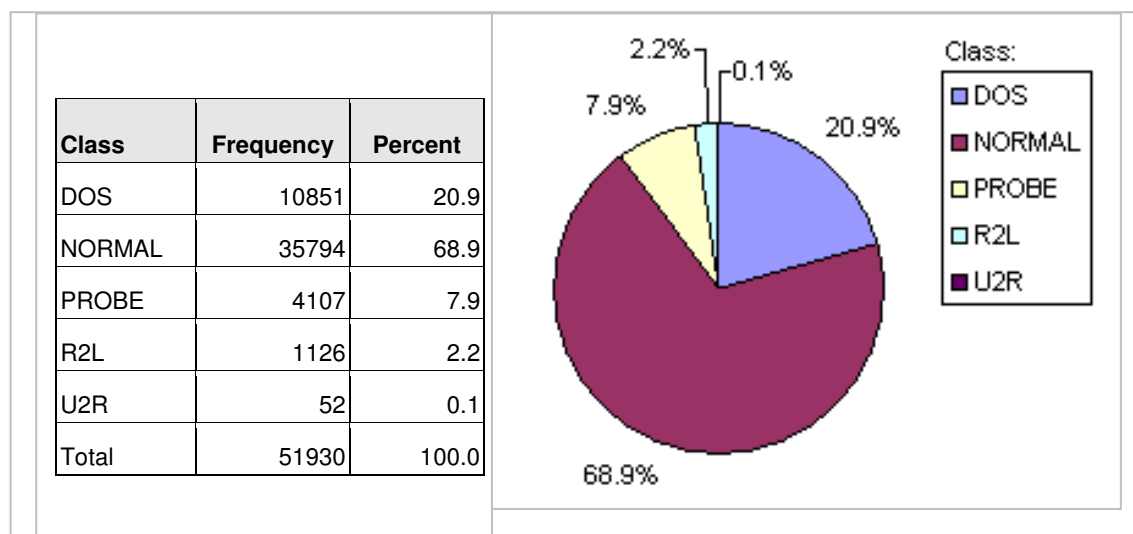


Figure C.2: Class frequencies for the KDD Cup 1999 training dataset derived class variable (class)

Table C.3: Descriptive statistics for the quantitative variables for the KDD Cup 1999 training dataset

Variable name	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Standard Deviation	Coefficient of variation (CV)
Counted	0	511	53.3	120.4	2.3
DiffSrvRate	0	1	0.1	0.2	2.0
DstBytes	0	5,155,468.00	3,758.50	99,612.90	26.5
DstHostCount	1	255	191	93.2	0.5
DstHostDiffSrvRate	0	1	0.2	0.3	1.5
DstHostRerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.2	2.0
DstHostSameSrcPortRate	0	1	0.3	0.4	1.3
DstHostSameSrvRate	0	1	0.6	0.4	0.7
DstHostSerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.3	3.0
DstHostSrvCount	1	255	120.9	107.3	0.9
DstHostSrvDiffHostRate	0	1	0	0.1	undefined
DstHostSrvRerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.2	2.0
DstHostSrvSerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.3	3.0
Duration	0	58,329.00	455.5	2,140.00	4.7
Hot	0	30	0.3	2.4	8.0
NumAccessFiles	0	8	0	0.1	undefined
NumCompromised	0	884	0.1	5.5	55.0
NumFailedLogins	0	5	0	0	undefined
NumFileCreations	0	28	0	0.3	undefined
NumOutboundCmds	0	0	0	0	undefined
NumRoot	0	993	0.1	6.2	62.0
NumShells	0	2	0	0	undefined
RerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.2	2.0
RootShell	0	1	0	0	undefined
SameSrvRate	0	1	0.8	0.4	0.5
SerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.3	3.0
SrcBytes	0	693,000,000.00	23,327.40	3,047,960.00	130.7
SrvCount	0	511	20	73.9	3.7
SrvDiffHostRate	0	1	0.1	0.3	3.0
SrvRerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.3	3.0
SrvSerrorRate	0	1	0.1	0.3	3.0
SUAttempted	0	2	0	0	undefined
Urgent	0	3	0	0	undefined
WrongFragment	0	3	0.1	0.4	4.0

Table C.4: Descriptive statistics for the qualitative variables for the KDD Cup 1999 training dataset

Variable	Level description	Level names	Frequency%
ProtocolType	3 levels	icmp	7.3
		tcp	53.5
		udp	39.2
Service	64 levels	domain_u	11.3
		ftp_data	9.1
		http	14.3
		private	19.4
		smtp	9.9
		all other services	36
Flag	9 levels	SF	82.1
		S0	10.7
		all other flags	7.2
Land	2 levels	0	99.96
		1	0.04
LoggedIn	2 levels	0	67
		1	33
IsHostLogin	2 levels	0	100
		1	0
IsGuestLogin	2 levels	0	98.7
		1	1.3

C.3 Abalone3C dataset

Figure C.3 provides the class frequencies and graphic representation for the abalone3C dataset classes. Table C.5 gives the descriptive statistics for the variables.

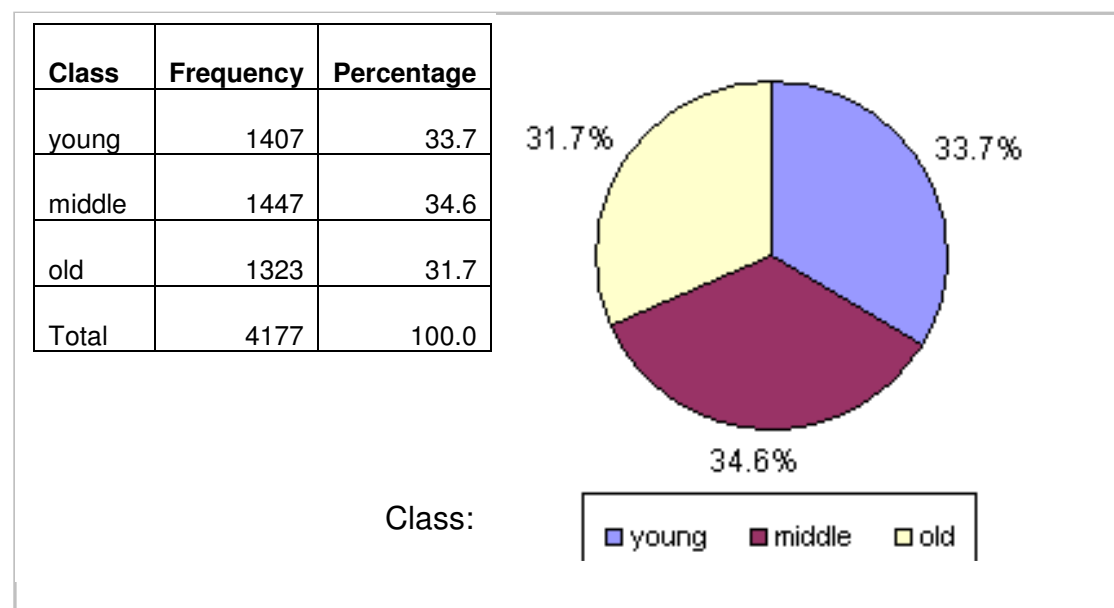


Figure C.3: Class frequencies for the abalone3C class variable (age)

Table C.5: Descriptive statistics for the quantitative variables of abalone3C

Variable	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Standard Deviation	Coefficient of variation (CV)
Length	15.0	163.0	104.8	24.0	0.2
Diameter	11.0	130.0	81.6	19.8	0.2
Height	0.0	226.0	27.9	8.4	0.3
WholeWeight	0.4	565.1	165.7	98.1	0.6
ShuckedWeight	0.2	297.6	71.9	44.4	0.6
VisceraWeight	0.1	152.0	36.1	21.9	0.6
ShellWeight	0.3	201.0	47.8	27.8	0.6

The qualitative variable gender has three levels with absolute frequencies of: 1528 for male (M), 1307 for female (F) and 1342 for infant (I).

C.4 Wine quality datasets

Figure C.4 provides the class frequencies and graphic representation for the wine quality (white) dataset classes. The two minority classes: 3 (20 instances) and 9 (5 instances) were removed from the dataset. Table C.6 gives the descriptive statistics for the variables.

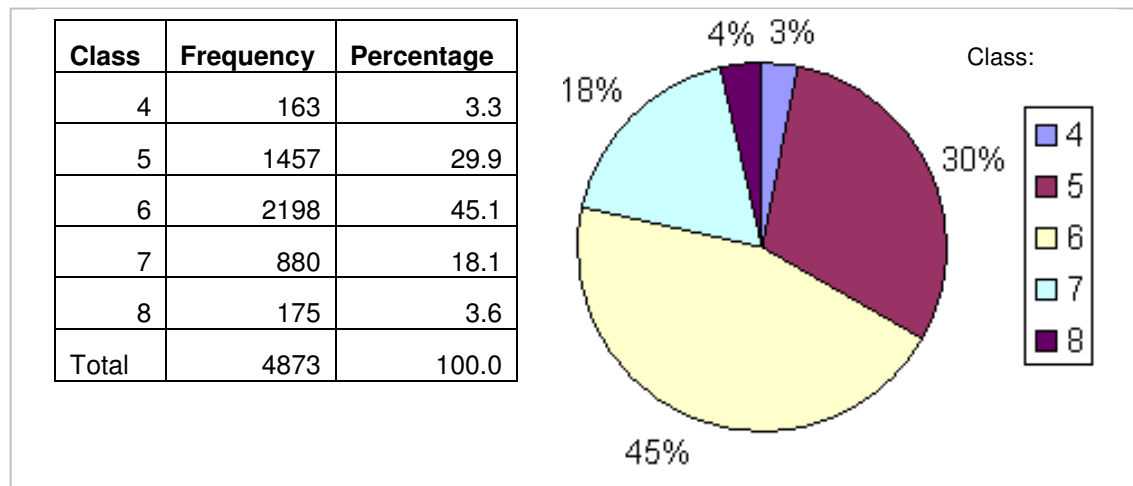


Figure C.4: Class frequencies for the wine quality (white) class variable (quality)

Table C.6 Descriptive statistics for the Wine quality (white) dataset variables

Variable	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Standard Deviation	Coeff of variation (CV)
FixedAcidity	3.8	14.2	6.9	0.8	0.1
VolatileAcidity	0.1	1.1	0.3	0.1	0.4
CitricAcid	0.0	1.7	0.3	0.1	0.4
ResidualSugar	0.6	65.8	6.4	5.1	0.8
Chlorides	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.5
FreeSulfurDioxide	2.0	289.0	35.3	17.0	0.5
TotalSulfurDioxide	9.0	440.0	138.4	42.5	0.3
Density	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
pH	2.7	3.8	3.2	0.2	0.0
Sulphates	0.2	1.1	0.5	0.1	0.2
Alcohol	8.0	14.2	10.5	1.2	0.1

C.5 Mushroom dataset

Table C.7 gives the descriptive statistics for the mushroom dataset. The variables for this dataset are all qualitative nominal.

Table C.8 Descriptive statistics for the mushroom dataset variables

Variable	Level description	Level name	Frequ-ency%	Variable	Level description	Level name	Frequ-ency%
CapShape	6 levels	FLAT	39.1	StalkRoot	5 levels	EQUAL	16.3
		CONVEX	45.1			BULBOUS	45.2
		All other	15.8			UNKNOWN	29.5
CapSurface	4 levels	GROOVES	0.05			All other	9.0
		SMOOTH	31.9	StalkSfAbvRing	4 levels	SILKY	28.3
		FIBROUS	29.2			SMOOTH	63.2
		SCALY	38.8			All other	8.5
CapColor	10 levels	WHITE	12.4	StalkSfBIRing	4 levels	SILKY	27.4
		RED	17.8			SMOOTH	60.3
		YELLOW	12.7			All other	12.3
		BROWN	27.6	StalkCIAbvRing	9 levels	WHITE	56.4
		GRAY	24.9			PINK	22.2
		All other	4.6			All other	21.4
Bruises?	2 levels	NO	59.9	StalkCIBIRing	9 levels	WHITE	55.1
		BRUISES	40.1			PINK	22.2
Odor	9 levels	FOUL	25.7			All other	22.6
		NONE	45.2	VeilType	1 level	PARTIAL	100.0
		All other	29.1	VeilColor	4 levels	WHITE	97.6
GillAttach	2 levels	FREE	97.4	All other	2.4		
		ATTACHED	2.6	RingNumber	3 levels	ONE	92.3
GillSpace	2 levels	CROWDED	18.9			All other	7.7
		CLOSE	81.1	RingType	5 levels	LARGE	15.4
GillSize	2 levels	NARROW	30.1			PENDANT	47.1
		BROAD	69.9			EVANESCENT	36.3
		All other	1.1				
GillColor	12 levels	WHITE	14.6	SporePrintColor	9 levels	BLACK	23.8
		PINK	18.5			WHITE	28.8
		BUFF	20.5			CHOCOLATE	19.4
		BROWN	13.2			BROWN	24.9
		All other	33.1			All other	3.1
		GRAY	8.9				
StalkShape	2 levels	ENLARGING	42.2	Population	6 levels	SOLITARY	20.3
		TAPERING	57.8			SEVERAL	48.3
Habitat	7 levels	PATHS	13.6			SCATTERED	16.3
		LEAVES	10.2	All other	15.0		
		GRASSES	28.6	Class	2 levels	EDIBLE	53.3
		WOODS	37.5			POISONOUS	46.7
		All other	10.1				

Appendix D

Correlation measurements for feature selection

The details of feature selection discussed in chapters 5 and 7 are presented in this appendix. Tables D.1 to D.4 show the class-feature correlations and the number of features selected by the t-test and the probes using Pearson's r and Kendall's tau measures of correlation for the forest cover type dataset.

Table D.1: Feature selection for Forest cover type

Sample size for correlation measurement	Selection criteria (Number of selected features)	Top 10 features				
		Feature	Mean Corr _{cf}	StDev	95% CI of mean	
					Low	High
100	Pearson's r t-test (3)	WildernessArea4	0.2	0.06	0.16	0.24
		SoilType38	0.14	0.04	0.12	0.16
		Elevation	0.14	0.04	0.12	0.16
500 and 1000	Pearson's r t-test (6) (WildernessArea1 is selected for sample size 500, SoilType10 is selected for size 1000)	WildernessArea4	0.22	0.02	0.21	0.23
		SoilType12	0.16	0.02	0.15	0.17
		SoilType22	0.14	0.03	0.12	0.16
		Elevation	0.13	0.02	0.12	0.14
		WildernessArea1	0.12	0.01	0.11	0.13
		SoilType38	0.12	0.02	0.11	0.13
		SoilType10	0.12	0.02	0.11	0.13
100	Kendall's tau: t-test (20) Uniform probe (26) Uniform binary probe (21) Gaussian probe (31)	WildernessArea4	0.58	0.15	0.49	0.67
		SoilType12	0.51	0.19	0.39	0.63
		SoilType38	0.44	0.1	0.38	0.50
		SoilType22	0.43	0.17	0.32	0.54
		SoilType10	0.4	0.13	0.32	0.48
		SoilType39	0.38	0.17	0.27	0.49
		SoilType4	0.35	0.2	0.23	0.47
		SoilType23	0.35	0.15	0.26	0.44
		SoilType11	0.32	0.16	0.22	0.42
		SoilType30	0.31	0.19	0.19	0.43
500	Kendall's tau t-test (35) Uniform probe (47) Uniform binary probe (44) Gaussian probe (47)	WildernessArea4	0.81	0.03	0.79	0.83
		SoilType12	0.72	0.08	0.67	0.77
		SoilType38	0.6	0.08	0.55	0.65
		SoilType39	0.58	0.09	0.52	0.64
		SoilType2	0.58	0.15	0.49	0.67
		SoilType22	0.57	0.1	0.51	0.63
		SoilType4	0.57	0.12	0.50	0.64
		SoilType6	0.56	0.11	0.49	0.63
		SoilType13	0.56	0.11	0.49	0.63
		SoilType40	0.48	0.11	0.41	0.55
1000	Kendall's tau: t-test (38) Uniform probe (48) Uniform binary probe (47) Gaussian probe (49)	WildernessArea4	0.86	0.02	0.85	0.87
		SoilType12	0.7	0.07	0.66	0.74
		SoilType1	0.69	0.05	0.66	0.72
		SoilType38	0.68	0.08	0.63	0.73
		SoilType39	0.68	0.08	0.63	0.73
		UniformType2	0.64	0.1	0.58	0.70
		SoilType4	0.64	0.05	0.61	0.67
		SoilType6	0.6	0.1	0.54	0.66
		SoilType22	0.59	0.1	0.53	0.65
		SoilType10	0.58	0.05	0.55	0.61

Table D.2: Feature selection for forest cover type using Kendall's tau and a Gaussian probe

Rank	Feature	Kendall's tau		Feature 95% CI		Gaussian probe 95% CI		Select
		Mean	Stddev	Low	High	Low	High	
1	WildernessArea4	0.86	0.02	0.84	0.87	0.02	0.05	yes
2	SoilType12	0.70	0.07	0.66	0.75	0.02	0.05	yes
3	SoilType1	0.69	0.05	0.65	0.72	0.02	0.05	yes
4	SoilType38	0.68	0.08	0.63	0.73	0.02	0.05	yes
5	SoilType39	0.68	0.08	0.62	0.73	0.02	0.05	yes
6	SoilType2	0.64	0.10	0.58	0.70	0.02	0.05	yes
7	SoilType4	0.64	0.05	0.61	0.67	0.02	0.05	yes
8	SoilType6	0.60	0.10	0.54	0.67	0.02	0.05	yes
9	SoilType22	0.59	0.10	0.53	0.65	0.02	0.05	yes
10	SoilType10	0.58	0.05	0.55	0.61	0.02	0.05	yes
11	SoilType3	0.55	0.10	0.48	0.61	0.02	0.05	yes
12	SoilType40	0.55	0.10	0.49	0.61	0.02	0.05	yes
13	SoilType13	0.53	0.10	0.47	0.59	0.02	0.05	yes
14	SoilType11	0.48	0.08	0.43	0.52	0.02	0.05	yes
15	SoilType35	0.44	0.09	0.39	0.50	0.02	0.05	yes
16	SoilType18	0.44	0.17	0.34	0.54	0.02	0.05	yes
17	SoilType17	0.43	0.16	0.34	0.53	0.02	0.05	yes
18	SoilType26	0.43	0.16	0.33	0.53	0.02	0.05	yes
19	SoilType34	0.40	0.18	0.29	0.51	0.02	0.05	yes
20	SoilType23	0.40	0.04	0.37	0.43	0.02	0.05	yes
21	WildernessArea2	0.39	0.12	0.31	0.47	0.02	0.05	yes
22	SoilType5	0.36	0.22	0.22	0.50	0.02	0.05	yes
23	SoilType19	0.35	0.17	0.25	0.46	0.02	0.05	yes
24	SoilType30	0.34	0.10	0.28	0.40	0.02	0.05	yes
25	SoilType16	0.33	0.13	0.25	0.41	0.02	0.05	yes
26	SoilType21	0.32	0.20	0.20	0.44	0.02	0.05	yes
27	SoilType29	0.30	0.04	0.27	0.32	0.02	0.05	yes
28	WildernessArea1	0.28	0.03	0.27	0.30	0.02	0.05	yes
29	SoilType9	0.28	0.16	0.19	0.38	0.02	0.05	yes
30	Elevation	0.28	0.01	0.27	0.29	0.02	0.05	yes
31	SoilType24	0.26	0.09	0.20	0.32	0.02	0.05	yes
32	SoilType14	0.23	0.22	0.10	0.37	0.02	0.05	yes
33	SoilType31	0.22	0.08	0.17	0.27	0.02	0.05	yes
34	SoilType28	0.21	0.15	0.12	0.31	0.02	0.05	yes
35	SoilType32	0.21	0.02	0.19	0.22	0.02	0.05	yes
36	SoilType33	0.18	0.04	0.16	0.21	0.02	0.05	yes
37	SoilType8	0.18	0.16	0.08	0.27	0.02	0.05	yes
38	SoilType20	0.16	0.03	0.14	0.18	0.02	0.05	yes
39	HorizDistToRoad	0.16	0.01	0.15	0.17	0.02	0.05	yes
40	HorizDistToFire	0.16	0.01	0.15	0.16	0.02	0.05	yes
41	SoilType27	0.15	0.15	0.05	0.24	0.02	0.05	yes
42	Slope	0.12	0.02	0.11	0.14	0.02	0.05	yes
43	HillShade9am	0.08	0.02	0.07	0.10	0.02	0.05	yes
44	VertDistToHydro	0.07	0.02	0.06	0.08	0.02	0.05	yes
45	HorizDistToHydro	0.07	0.02	0.06	0.08	0.02	0.05	yes
46	WildernessArea3	0.07	0.03	0.05	0.09	0.02	0.05	yes
47	HillShadeNoon	0.07	0.02	0.06	0.08	0.02	0.05	yes
48	Aspect	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.05	yes
49	HillShade3pm	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.05	yes
50	Probe1GaussCont	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.05	no

Tables D.4 and D.5 show the class-feature correlations using Pearson's r , Kendall's tau and SU coefficient, and the number of features selected by the t-test, probes and decision rule-based algorithm for the KDDCup 1999 dataset.

Table D.3 Features selected by the decision rule-based search algorithm for different inputs

Input feature set selected by:	Number of selected features	Top 10 features for all methods	
		Feature	mean corr _{cf}
No pre-selection (54 features + 3 probes)	42	WildernessArea4	0.855
Gaussian probe (49 features)	41	SoilType2	0.642
Uniform probe (48 features)	41	SoilType40	0.547
Uniform binary probe (47 features)	41	SoilType38	0.676
t-test for means (36 features)	36	SoilType4	0.638
		SoilType1	0.686
		SoilType3	0.548
		SoilType6	0.603
		SoilType13	0.527
		SoilType39	0.676

Table D.4: Feature selection for KDD Cup 1999

Sample size for correlation measurement	Selection criteria (Number of selected features)	Top 10 features				
		Feature	Mean Corr _{cf}	StDev	95% CI of mean	
					Low	High
1000	Pearson's r: t-test (21) Uniform probe (32) Uniform binary probe (31) Gaussian probe (31)	SameSrvRate	0.53	0.02	0.52	0.54
		SerrorRate	0.51	0.02	0.50	0.52
		DstHostSerrorRate	0.51	0.02	0.50	0.52
		Counted	0.51	0.02	0.50	0.52
		SrvSerrorRate	0.50	0.02	0.49	0.51
		DstHostSrvSerrorRate	0.50	0.02	0.49	0.51
		Flag	0.43	0.02	0.42	0.44
		DstHostRerrorRate	0.36	0.03	0.34	0.38
		SrvRerrorRate	0.35	0.03	0.33	0.37
		RerrorRate	0.34	0.03	0.32	0.36
500	Kendall's tau: t-test (34) Uniform probe (36) Uniform binary probe (36) Gaussian probe (36)	SrvSerrorRate	0.90	0.02	0.89	0.91
		SerrorRate	0.87	0.02	0.86	0.88
		NumCompromised	0.85	0.03	0.83	0.87
		DstHostSrvSerrorRate	0.83	0.04	0.81	0.85
		WrongFragment	0.81	0.04	0.78	0.84
		DstHostSerrorRate	0.81	0.02	0.80	0.82
		SrvRerrorRate	0.80	0.04	0.78	0.82
		Hot	0.78	0.04	0.76	0.80
		DstHostSrvRerrorRate	0.76	0.05	0.73	0.79
1000	Kendall's tau: t-test (30) Uniform probe (36) Uniform binary probe (35) Gaussian probe (36)	RerrorRate	0.76	0.05	0.73	0.79
		SerrorRate	0.92	0.01	0.91	0.93
		NumCompromised	0.92	0.03	0.90	0.94
		SrvSerrorRate	0.91	0.01	0.90	0.92
		WrongFragment	0.9	0.01	0.89	0.91
		DstHostSrvSerrorRate	0.85	0.01	0.84	0.86
		DstHostSrvRerrorRate	0.85	0.01	0.84	0.86
		SrvRerrorRate	0.85	0.02	0.84	0.86
		Hot	0.84	0.03	0.82	0.86
		DstHostSerrorRate	0.84	0.02	0.83	0.85
		RerrorRate	0.82	0.03	0.80	0.84

Table D.5: Feature selection for KDD Cup1999 using Kendall's tau and the Gaussian probe

Rank	Feature	Mean	StDev	Feature 95% CI		Gauss probe 95% CI		Select
				Low	High	Low	High	
1	ErrorRate	0.92	0.01	0.91	0.92	0.02	0.04	yes
2	NumCompromised	0.92	0.03	0.90	0.93	0.02	0.04	yes
3	SrvErrorRate	0.91	0.01	0.91	0.92	0.02	0.04	yes
4	WrongFragment	0.90	0.01	0.89	0.91	0.02	0.04	yes
5	DstHostSrvErrorRate	0.85	0.01	0.85	0.86	0.02	0.04	yes
6	DstHostSrvRerrorRate	0.85	0.01	0.84	0.85	0.02	0.04	yes
7	SrvRerrorRate	0.85	0.02	0.83	0.86	0.02	0.04	yes
8	Hot	0.84	0.03	0.83	0.86	0.02	0.04	yes
9	DstHostSerrorRate	0.84	0.02	0.82	0.85	0.02	0.04	yes
10	RerrorRate	0.82	0.03	0.80	0.84	0.02	0.04	yes
11	SameSrvRate	0.82	0.01	0.81	0.83	0.02	0.04	yes
12	DstHostRerrorRate	0.80	0.03	0.79	0.82	0.02	0.04	yes
13	DiffSrvRate	0.73	0.02	0.71	0.74	0.02	0.04	yes
14	NumRoot	0.68	0.10	0.62	0.74	0.02	0.04	yes
15	Counted	0.63	0.01	0.62	0.64	0.02	0.04	yes
16	DstBytes	0.58	0.06	0.55	0.62	0.02	0.04	yes
17	SrcBytes	0.49	0.05	0.46	0.52	0.02	0.04	yes
18	SrvDiffHostRate	0.46	0.08	0.41	0.50	0.02	0.04	yes
19	DstHostSrvDiffHostRate	0.44	0.05	0.41	0.47	0.02	0.04	yes
20	Flag	0.43	0.02	0.41	0.44	0.02	0.04	yes
21	SrvCount	0.42	0.02	0.41	0.44	0.02	0.04	yes
22	DstHostCount	0.37	0.03	0.35	0.39	0.02	0.04	yes
23	DstHostSrvCount	0.31	0.04	0.29	0.34	0.02	0.04	yes
24	NumFailedLogins	0.30	0.23	0.16	0.44	0.02	0.04	yes
25	NumFileCreations	0.30	0.08	0.25	0.35	0.02	0.04	yes
26	DstHostSameSrcPortRate	0.28	0.05	0.25	0.31	0.02	0.04	yes
27	Duration	0.25	0.02	0.24	0.27	0.02	0.04	yes
28	Service	0.24	0.01	0.23	0.24	0.02	0.04	yes
29	DstHostSameSrvRate	0.22	0.04	0.20	0.25	0.02	0.04	yes
30	NumShells	0.20	0.16	0.11	0.30	0.02	0.04	yes
31	NumAccessFiles	0.18	0.20	0.06	0.30	0.02	0.04	yes
32	ProtocolType	0.15	0.02	0.14	0.16	0.02	0.04	yes
33	DstHostDiffSrvRate	0.14	0.04	0.12	0.17	0.02	0.04	yes
34	RootShell	0.11	0.15	0.02	0.20	0.02	0.04	no
35	LoggedIn	0.08	0.01	0.08	0.09	0.02	0.04	yes
36	IsGuestLogin	0.04	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.04	yes
37	Urgent	0.03	0.11	-0.03	0.10	0.02	0.04	no
38	Probe1GaussCont	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.04	no

Tables D.7 and D.9 show the class-feature correlations using Pearson's r , Kendall's tau and the SU coefficient, and the number of features selected by the t-test, probes and decision rule-based algorithm for the abalone3C and mushroom datasets. Table D.8 shows the feature-feature correlations for abalone3C.

Table D.6: KDD Cup 1999 feature selection by decision rule

Input feature set selected by:	Number of selected features	Top 10 for no-preselection (32 features selected)	
		Feature	mean corr _{cf}
No pre-selection (41 features + 3 probes)	32	SerrorRate	0.92
Gaussian probe (36 features)	34	DstHostRerrorRate	0.81
Uniform probe (36 features)	34	NumRoot	0.68
Uniform binary probe (35 features)	34	WrongFragment	0.90
t-test for means (30 features)	30	Flag	0.43
		NumFailedLogins	0.30
		DstHostSerrorRate	0.84
		DstHostSrvCount	0.31
		SrvCount	0.42
		DstHostCount	0.37

Table D.7: Feature selection for Abalone using Pearson's r and Kendall's tau

Sample size	Selection criteria (Number of selected features)	Selected features				
		Feature	Mean Corr _{CF}	StDev	95% CI of mean	
					Low	High
500 and 1000	Pearson's r: t-test (5) probes do not eliminate any features	Diameter	0.41	0.02	0.40	0.42
		ShellWeight	0.4	0.02	0.39	0.41
		WholeWeight	0.38	0.02	0.37	0.39
		VisceraWeight	0.38	0.02	0.37	0.39
		ShuckedWeight	0.34	0.02	0.33	0.35
500	Kendall's tau: t-test (6) probes do not eliminate any features	Height	0.52	0.03	0.50	0.54
		ShellWeight	0.53	0.03	0.51	0.55
		Diameter	0.5	0.03	0.48	0.52
		VisceraWeight	0.49	0.03	0.47	0.51
		ShuckedWeight	0.45	0.03	0.43	0.47
		WholeWeight	0.5	0.03	0.48	0.52
1000	Kendall's tau: t-test (7) probes do not eliminate any features	ShellWeight	0.52	0.02	0.51	0.53
		Height	0.51	0.02	0.50	0.52
		Diameter	0.5	0.02	0.49	0.51
		WholeWeight	0.49	0.02	0.48	0.50
		VisceraWeight	0.49	0.02	0.48	0.50
		ShuckedWeight	0.45	0.02	0.44	0.46
		Length	0.17	0.01	0.16	0.18
1000	Decision rule (3)	ShellWeight	0.53	0.03	0.51	0.55
		Length	0.17	0.01	0.16	0.18
		Gender	0.12	0.01	0.11	0.13



Table D.8: Abalone3C feature-feature correlations

Feature1	Feature2	corr _{ff}	Feature1	Feature2	corr _{ff}
Length	Diameter	0.92	Height	ShellWeight	0.79
Length	Height	0.75	WholeWeight	ShuckedWeight	0.88
Length	WholeWeight	0.88	WholeWeight	VisceraWeight	0.87
Length	ShuckedWeight	0.84	WholeWeight	ShellWeight	0.86
Length	VisceraWeight	0.83	ShuckedWeight	VisceraWeight	0.80
Length	ShellWeight	0.83	ShuckedWeight	ShellWeight	0.76
Diameter	Height	0.77	VisceraWeight	ShellWeight	0.80
Diameter	WholeWeight	0.88	Length	Gender	0.11
Diameter	ShuckedWeight	0.83	Diameter	Gender	0.46
Diameter	VisceraWeight	0.83	Height	Gender	0.47
Diameter	ShellWeight	0.85	WholeWeight	Gender	0.48
Height	WholeWeight	0.78	ShuckedWeight	Gender	0.46
Height	ShuckedWeight	0.72	VisceraWeight	Gender	0.49
Height	VisceraWeight	0.76	ShellWeight	Gender	0.47

Table D9: Feature selection for mushroom using SU coefficients

Sample size for SU measurement	Selection criteria (Number of selected features)	Selected features or top 5 features			
		Feature	Mean SU	StDev	95% CI of mean
500	t-test (4)	Ordor	0.55	0.03	0.02
		SporePrintColor	0.3	0.02	0.01
		RingType	0.23	0.01	0.01
		GillColor	0.2	0.02	0.01
500	Uniform probe (15) Uniform binary probe (14) Gaussian probe (21)	Ordor	0.55	0.03	0.02
		SporePrintColor	0.3	0.02	0.01
		StalkSfAbvRing	0.28	0.03	0.02
		GillSize	0.24	0.03	0.02
		StalkSfBIRing	0.23	0.03	0.02
500	Decision rule (14)	Ordor	0.55	0.03	0.02
		SporePrintColor	0.30	0.02	0.02
		StalkSfAbvRing	0.28	0.03	0.02
		GillSize	0.24	0.03	0.02
		StalkSfBIRing	0.23	0.03	0.02
		RingType	0.23	0.01	0.01
		GillColor	0.20	0.02	0.01
		StalkCIAbvRing	0.18	0.02	0.01
		Bruises	0.17	0.03	0.02
		StalkCIBIRing	0.15	0.02	0.01
		Population	0.14	0.02	0.01
		GillSpace	0.14	0.03	0.02
		habitat	0.11	0.01	0.01
		StalkRoot	0.10	0.01	0.01

Appendix E

Algorithm for breadth first generation of a search space

This appendix provides the details of the standard breadth-first search algorithm and the *BreadthFirstGenerate* algorithm which is based on the breadth first algorithm. The *BreadthFirstGenerate* algorithm was used for the generation of all possible tied predictions as discussed in section 6.4. The standard breadth-first search algorithm (Luger & Stubblefield, 1993) is given in figure E.1. The *BreadthFirstGenerate* algorithm is given in figure E.2.

Both algorithms use the lists OPEN, CLOSED and CHILDREN. The OPEN list holds the states that are still to be expanded. The CLOSED list holds all states that have been generated so far. The CHILDREN list is used to temporarily hold all the children (successor states) of the current state while the children are being generated. The major difference between the breadth-first-search algorithm and the BreadthFirstGenerate algorithm is that the breadth-first-search algorithm specifically searches for a goal state while the BreadthFirstGenerate algorithm simply generates all the possible states in the search space.

Breadth-first-search

```
1. OPEN = [start_state]
2. CLOSED = [ ]
3. while OPEN ≠ [ ]
  begin
    3.1 Remove leftmost state from OPEN, and call it X
    3.2 if X is the goal state
      return X
    else
    3.2 generate children of X and put them on the CHILDREN list
    3.3 eliminate children of X on OPEN (prevent cycles)
    3.4 put X on CLOSED
    3.5 put all states on CHILDREN list on right end of OPEN
  end
```

Figure E.1: Breadth-first search algorithm

BreadthFirstGenerate()

```

1. OPEN = [start_state]
2. CLOSED = [ ]
3. while OPEN ≠ [ ]
    begin
        3.1 Remove leftmost state from OPEN and call it X
        3.2 generate children of X and put them on the CHILDREN list
        3.3 put X on CLOSED
        3.4 put all states on CHILDREN list on right end of OPEN
    end
end

```

Figure E.2: BreadthFirstGenerate algorithm

For the generation of all possible tied predictions, the predictions are assigned numbers $1, 2, \dots, k$ corresponding to the k classes for the prediction task. The start state contains the first number (1). Each state $\{1, \dots, j\}$ has the children $j+1, j+2, \dots, k$. When the *BreadthFirstGenerate* algorithm has finished executing, all the possible states (tied predictions) are available on the CLOSED list.

Given a search space represented by a search tree with a constant branching factor B , the number of states (paths) of length L generated by a search algorithm is given by (Luger & Stubblefield, 1993: pg 146)

$$States = B + B^2 + B^3 + \dots + B^L \quad (E.1)$$

which reduces to:

$$States = B(B^L - 1)/(B - 1) \quad (E.2)$$

For the *BreadthFirstGenerate* algorithm, the branching factor for level 1 of the tree is $k-1$ and reduces by 1 for successive levels. The maximum path length is k so that

$$States = (k-1) + (k-2)^2 + \dots + (k-(k-1))^k \quad (E.3)$$

which reduces to:

$$States = \sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)^j \quad (E.4)$$

Appendix F

Predictive performance of single OVA and pVn models

The detailed results for predictive accuracy and TPRATE values for the single k -class, OVA aggregate and pVn aggregate models using the 5NN and See5 algorithms are provided in this appendix. Each table shows the accuracy and class TPRATE values for 10 test samples, as well as the mean, 95% confidence interval of the mean, standard deviation and variance. The mean values for performance were discussed in chapters 7 and 8. The variance values were used for the F-tests discussed in chapter 8.

F.1 5NN single 7-class and aggregate models for forest cover type

Tables F.1 to F.4 give the details of predictive accuracy and TRATE values for the 5NN single 7-class, OVA and pVn aggregate models forest cover type.

Table F.1: Predictive performance of the 5NN single 7- class model for forest cover type

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN single model (equal class distribution) TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	75.4	68	48	58	98	88	72	96
2	71.4	60	46	50	90	92	70	92
3	75.1	60	48	64	96	88	76	94
4	73.7	66	50	48	90	92	74	96
5	72.6	54	42	56	92	94	76	94
6	76.9	72	50	48	94	94	82	98
7	74.6	60	50	58	90	90	76	98
8	76	60	58	68	90	86	72	98
9	75.4	60	52	58	94	92	74	98
10	76	68	44	60	90	96	78	96
Mean	74.7	62.8	48.8	56.8	92.4	91.2	75.0	96.0
StDev	1.7	5.4	4.4	6.6	3.0	3.2	3.4	2.1
Variance	2.9	29.5	19.7	43.7	8.7	10.0	11.8	4.4
Mean & CI	74.7±1.0	62.8±3.4	48.8±2.8	56.8±4.1	92.4±1.8	91.2±2.0	75.0±2.1	96.0±1.3

Table F.2: Predictive performance of the 5NN un-boosted OVA aggregate model for forest cover type

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN un-boosted OVA aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	78.3	74	58	72	96	86	64	98
2	80.3	68	64	68	92	94	78	98
3	82.9	78	58	76	92	96	84	96
4	80.6	84	58	70	86	88	82	96
5	80.9	70	58	68	88	100	86	96
6	79.1	62	60	70	88	100	78	96
7	79.1	62	52	70	92	98	82	98
8	82.0	66	66	76	88	100	82	96
9	82.0	68	58	74	88	98	92	96
10	79.4	68	52	74	88	98	80	96
Mean	80.5	70.0	58.4	71.8	89.8	95.8	80.8	96.6
StDev	1.5	6.9	4.4	3.0	3.0	5.0	7.2	1.0
Variance	2.3	48.0	19.4	9.3	9.3	25.3	51.7	0.9
Mean&CI	80.5±0.9	70±4.3	58.4±2.7	71.8±1.9	89.8±1.9	95.8±3.1	80.8±4.5	96.6±0.6

Table F.3: Predictive performance of the 5NN boosted OVA aggregate model for forest cover type

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN boosted OVA aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	82.9	74	62	74	100	98	74	98
2	82.3	68	70	70	100	98	72	98
3	82.6	78	58	72	100	94	80	96
4	83.7	84	62	68	100	98	78	96
5	81.4	70	60	68	100	96	80	96
6	81.4	62	60	72	100	98	82	96
7	80.9	62	58	74	100	96	78	98
8	82.3	66	72	72	100	96	74	96
9	82.3	68	64	70	100	98	80	96
10	80.6	68	54	70	100	98	78	96
Mean	82.0	70.0	62.0	71.0	100.0	97.0	77.6	96.6
StDev	1.0	6.9	5.5	2.2	0.0	1.4	3.2	1.0
Variance	0.9	48.0	30.2	4.7	0.0	2.0	10.5	0.9
Mean & CI	82.0±0.6	70.0±4.3	62.0±3.4	71.0±1.3	100.0±0.0	97.0±0.9	77.6±2.0	96.6±0.6

Table F.4: Predictive performance of the 5NN pVn aggregate model for forest cover type

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN pVn aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	78.3	68	52	70	98	90	70	100
2	75.1	60	60	66	94	90	68	88
3	81.4	82	58	68	100	94	74	94
4	79.7	80	56	64	96	94	76	92
5	79.1	70	60	62	98	98	78	88
6	80.0	70	58	60	98	98	82	94
7	76.0	66	52	64	94	94	72	90
8	77.7	62	60	66	98	90	74	94
9	80.3	64	62	70	98	96	74	98
10	78.0	56	60	60	96	98	82	94
Mean	78.6	67.8	57.8	65.0	97.0	94.2	75.0	93.2
StDev	2.0	8.2	3.5	3.7	1.9	3.3	4.6	3.9
Variance	3.8	68.0	12.0	13.6	3.8	11.1	21.6	15.3
Mean&CI	78.6±1.2	67.8±5.1	57.8±2.1	65.0±2.3	97.0±1.2	94.2±2.1	75.0±2.9	93.2±2.4

F.2 See5 single 7-class and aggregate models for forest cover type

Tables F.5 to F.8 give the details of predictive accuracy and TPRATE values for the See5 single 7-class, OVA and pVn aggregate models for the forest cover type dataset.

Table F.5: Predictive performance of the See5 single 7-class model for forest cover type

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 single model (equal class distribution). TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	77.1	56	60	68	100	92	70	94
2	76	68	58	60	96	86	70	94
3	78	52	66	68	98	86	80	96
4	76	52	62	64	96	86	80	92
5	77.1	66	62	54	94	92	80	92
6	78.9	58	74	58	98	90	78	96
7	73.7	54	58	54	96	82	74	98
8	76	56	66	56	96	82	78	98
9	78.9	58	66	64	98	82	88	96
10	77.4	54	66	62	96	84	80	100
Mean	76.91	57.40	63.80	60.80	96.80	86.20	77.80	95.60
StDev	1.57	5.50	4.85	5.27	1.69	3.94	5.37	2.63
Variance	2.47	30.27	23.51	27.73	2.84	15.51	28.84	6.93
Mean & CI	76.9±1.0	57.4±3.4	63.8±3.0	60.8±3.3	96.8±1.0	86.2±2.4	77.8±3.3	95.6±1.6

Table F.6: Predictive performance of See5 un-boosted OVA aggregate model for forest cover type

Test sample	Accuracy on all classes	See5 un-boosted OVA aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	74.9	64	44	68	84	96	80	88
2	75.7	62	52	66	88	94	78	90
3	75.1	60	50	60	92	90	78	96
4	73.7	60	40	62	88	96	80	90
5	74.3	60	44	64	86	98	78	90
6	77.1	68	58	60	86	98	80	90
7	74.6	58	50	66	88	94	72	94
8	75.1	54	52	66	82	96	80	100
9	76.9	64	50	66	86	92	82	98
10	75.4	56	58	62	86	90	84	92
Mean	75.3	60.6	49.8	64.0	86.6	94.4	79.2	92.8
StDev	1.1	4.1	5.8	2.8	2.7	3.0	3.2	4.0
Variance	1.1	16.9	34.2	8.0	7.2	8.7	10.0	16.2
Mean&CI	75.3±0.7	60.6±2.6	49.8±3.6	64.0±1.8	86.6±1.7	94.4±1.8	79.2±2.0	92.8±2.5

Table F.7: Predictive performance of See5 boosted OVA aggregate model for forest cover type

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 boosted OVA aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	79.4	70	70	72	96	82	70	96
2	80.3	68	66	70	94	92	74	98
3	80	60	66	66	100	90	78	100
4	77.7	62	66	62	94	86	78	96
5	78.9	60	70	60	96	92	78	96
6	80.3	70	76	54	96	90	78	98
7	78.9	62	74	60	96	90	72	98
8	78.6	66	70	60	92	90	76	96
9	80.6	72	66	62	94	90	80	100
10	79.1	60	74	66	96	82	76	100
Mean	79.38	65.00	69.80	63.20	95.40	88.40	76.00	97.80
StDev	0.92	4.74	3.82	5.35	2.12	3.75	3.13	1.75
Variance	0.84	22.44	14.62	28.62	4.49	14.04	9.78	3.07
Mean & CI	79.4±0.6	65.0±2.9	69.8±2.4	63.2±3.3	95.4±1.3	88.4±2.3	76.0±1.9	97.8±1.1

Table F.8: Predictive performance of the See5 pVn aggregate model for forest cover type

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 pVn aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	78	72	56	72	94	84	78	90
2	79.1	70	58	74	92	92	82	86
3	80.6	64	62	76	100	88	78	96
4	79.4	62	68	76	94	88	82	86
5	80	62	66	74	96	88	86	88
6	79.7	64	74	58	92	92	88	90
7	78.6	66	58	70	98	86	76	96
8	80.3	62	72	70	94	90	80	94
9	83.7	68	74	76	92	92	88	96
10	79.1	56	64	72	94	86	84	98
Mean	79.85	64.60	65.20	71.80	94.60	88.60	82.20	92.00
StDev	1.56	4.62	6.75	5.37	2.67	2.84	4.26	4.52
Variance	2.44	21.38	45.51	28.84	7.16	8.04	18.18	20.44
Mean & CI	79.9±1.0	64.6±2.9	65.2±4.2	71.8±3.3	94.6±1.7	88.6±1.8	82.2±2.6	92.0±2.8

F.3 5NN single 5-class and aggregate models for KDD Cup 1999

Tables F.9 to F.12 give the details of predictive accuracy and TPRATE values for the 5NN single 5-class, OVA and pVn aggregate models KDD Cup 1999.

Table F.9: Predictive performance of the 5NN single 5-class model for KDD Cup 1999

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN single model (equal class distribution for NORMAL, DOS, PROBE, R2L). TPRATE% for class:				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	69.7	81.4	80	95.7	60	31.4
2	72	87.1	72.9	97.1	71.4	31.4
3	65.7	87.1	51.4	98.6	60	31.4
4	71.1	94.3	61.4	94.3	72.9	32.9
5	68.3	81.4	62.9	92.9	72.9	31.4
6	66.3	85.7	60	94.3	60	31.4
7	69.7	87.1	71.4	94.3	64.3	31.4
8	66.3	81.4	67.1	94.3	57.1	31.4
9	69.7	82.8	71.4	98.6	64.3	31.4
10	66.6	75.7	64.3	97.1	64.3	31.4
Mean	68.54	84.40	66.28	95.72	64.72	31.55
StDev	2.22	5.02	8.06	2.01	5.81	0.47
Variance	4.94	25.20	65.02	4.05	33.76	0.22
Mean & CI	68.5 ± 1.4	84.4 ± 3.1	66.3 ± 5.0	95.7 ± 1.2	64.7 ± 3.6	31.6 ± 0.3

Table F.10: Predictive performance of the 5NN OVA un-boosted aggregate model for KDD Cup 1999

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN un-boosted OVA aggregate model. TPRATE % for class:				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	73.7	90	81.4	94.3	61.4	41.4
2	73.4	92.9	68.6	95.7	67.1	42.9
3	72.3	98.6	58.6	98.6	62.9	42.9
4	73.1	97.1	61.4	94.3	71.4	41.4
5	71.7	85.7	64.3	92.9	72.9	42.9
6	69.4	91.4	57.1	94.3	61.4	42.9
7	73.7	94.3	68.6	95.7	67.1	42.9
8	69.1	87.1	65.7	94.3	55.7	42.9
9	74.3	98.6	71.4	97.1	61.4	42.9
10	72.9	91.4	62.9	94.3	72.9	42.9
Mean	72.4	92.7	66.0	95.2	65.4	42.6
StDev	1.8	4.5	7.1	1.7	5.8	0.6
Variance	3.2	20.3	49.7	2.8	33.6	0.4
CI of mean	1.1	2.8	4.4	1.0	3.6	0.4
Mean&CI	72.4±1.1	92.7±2.8	66.0±4.4	95.2±1.0	65.4±3.6	42.6±0.4

Table F.11: Predictive performance of the 5NN OVA boosted aggregate model for KDD Cup 1999

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN boosted OVA aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	73.7	90	82.9	94.3	58.6	42.9
2	73.4	94.3	68.6	95.7	65.7	42.9
3	70.0	98.6	52.9	98.6	57.1	42.9
4	72.3	97.1	61.4	94.3	65.7	42.9
5	70.9	85.7	64.3	92.9	74.3	37.1
6	68.0	90	58.6	94.3	57.1	40
7	71.4	94.3	70	95.7	58.6	38.6
8	68.3	85.7	67.1	94.3	55.7	38.6
9	72.3	98.6	71.4	98.6	54.3	38.6
10	70.0	90	62.9	95.7	61.4	40
Mean	71.0	92.4	66.0	95.4	60.9	40.5
StDev	2.0	4.9	8.2	1.9	6.1	2.3
Variance	3.9	23.7	66.5	3.5	37.3	5.1
CI of mean	1.2	3.0	5.1	1.2	3.8	1.4
Mean&CI	71.0±1.2	92.4±3.0	66.0±5.1	95.4±1.2	60.9±3.8	40.5±1.4

Table F.12: Predictive performance of the 5NN pVn aggregate model for KDD Cup 1999

Test sample	Accuracy on all classes	5NN pVn aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	79.4	97.1	100	98.6	72.9	28.6
2	82.0	98.6	98.6	98.6	88.6	27.1
3	80.6	100	95.7	100	81.4	25.7
4	82.0	100	98.6	98.6	85.7	25.7
5	81.0	100	98.6	97.1	85.7	25.7
6	78.0	95.7	94.3	100	77.1	21.4
7	83.0	100	98.6	98.6	87.1	31.4
8	80.0	98.6	100	97.1	74.3	28.6
9	77.1	98.6	91.4	100	72.9	22.9
10	80.0	98.6	97.1	95.7	88.6	20
Mean	80.3	98.7	97.3	98.4	81.4	25.7
StDev	1.8	1.4	2.7	1.4	6.6	3.5
Variance	3.4	2.0	7.5	2.1	42.9	12.2
Mean&CI	80.3±1.1	98.7±0.9	97.3±1.7	98.4±0.9	81.4±4.1	25.7±2.2

F.4 See5 single 5-class and aggregate models for KDD Cup 1999

Tables F.13 to F.16 give the details of predictive accuracy and TPRATE values for the See5 single 5-class, OVA and pVn aggregate models KDD Cup 1999.

Table F.13: Predictive performance of the See5 single model for KDD Cup 1999

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 single model (equal class distribution for NORMAL, DOS, PROBE, R2L). TPRATE% for class:				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	65.1	84.3	84.3	44.3	35.7	77.1
2	66.0	91.4	75.7	38.6	47.1	77.1
3	63.1	91.4	77.1	34.3	35.7	77.1
4	63.7	88.6	85.7	35.7	31.4	77.1
5	67.1	82.9	95.7	34.3	45.7	77.1
6	63.4	90.0	85.7	31.4	32.9	77.1
7	65.4	90.0	81.4	38.6	40.0	77.1
8	60.0	80.0	78.6	31.4	32.9	77.1
9	63.4	84.3	77.1	38.6	40.0	77.1
10	61.1	77.1	78.6	37.1	35.7	77.1
Mean	63.83	86.00	81.99	36.43	37.71	77.10
StDev	2.17	5.03	6.07	3.90	5.38	0.00
Variance	4.72	25.30	36.84	15.19	28.97	0.00
Mean & CI	63.8±1.3	86.0±3.1	82.0±3.8	36.4±2.4	37.7±3.3	77.1±0.0

Table F.14: Predictive performance of the See5 un-boosted OVA aggregate model for KDD Cup1999

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 Class TPRATE% - boosted AGGREGATE MODEL				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	62.3	97.1	45.7	88.6	34.3	45.7
2	65.7	100	54.3	87.1	41.4	45.7
3	60.9	98.6	42.9	85.7	31.4	45.7
4	66.6	98.6	61.4	88.6	38.6	45.7
5	64.9	98.6	54.3	84.3	41.1	45.7
6	61.1	97.1	37.1	91.4	34.3	45.7
7	64.3	98.6	55.7	87.1	34.3	45.7
8	62.3	97.1	51.4	90	27.1	45.7
9	62.6	100	52.9	88.6	25.7	45.7
10	62.3	97.1	45.7	88.6	34.3	45.7
Mean	63.3	98.3	50.1	88.0	34.3	45.7
StDev	2.0	1.1	7.2	2.0	5.3	0.0
Variance	3.8	1.3	51.5	4.2	27.7	0.0
Mean & CI	63.3±1.2	98.3±0.7	50.1±4.4	88.0±1.3	34.3±3.3	45.7±0.0

Table F.15: Predictive performance of the See5 boosted OVA aggregate model for KDD Cup1999

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 boosted OVA aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	63.1	97.1	65.7	88.6	24.3	40.0
2	63.7	100.0	61.4	90.0	27.1	40.0
3	60.9	100.0	50.0	88.6	25.7	40.0
4	61.7	100.0	61.4	90.0	17.1	40.0
5	61.4	98.6	54.3	84.3	30.0	40.0
6	59.1	98.6	42.9	92.9	21.4	40.0
7	62.9	100.0	61.4	88.6	24.3	40.0
8	60.3	98.6	52.9	90.0	20.0	40.0
9	61.1	100.0	60.0	91.4	14.3	40.0
10	62.3	98.6	52.9	88.6	31.4	40.0
Mean	61.65	99.15	56.29	89.30	23.56	40.00
StDev	1.40	1.00	6.88	2.26	5.44	0.00
Variance	1.95	1.00	47.38	5.09	29.55	0.00
Mean & CI	61.7±0.9	99.2±0.6	56.3±4.3	89.3±1.4	23.6±3.4	40.0±0.0

Table F.16: Predictive performance of the See5 pVn aggregate model for KDD Cup 1999

Test sample ID	Accuracy on all classes	See5 pVn aggregate model. TPRATE% for class:				
		NORMAL	DOS	PROBE	R2L	U2R
1	74	97.1	67.1	98.6	30	77.1
2	79.1	98.6	57.1	97.1	65.7	77.1
3	78	98.6	60	97.1	57.1	77.1
4	83.4	98.6	87.1	95.7	58.6	77.1
5	85.1	100	84.3	97.1	67.1	77.1
6	78	97.1	64.3	100	51.4	77.1
7	81.1	98.6	71.4	95.7	62.9	77.1
8	77.7	97.1	70	97.1	47.1	77.1
9	74.9	98.6	55.7	97.1	45.7	77.1
10	78.3	97.1	67.1	94.3	55.7	77.1
Mean	78.96	98.14	68.41	96.98	54.13	77.10
StDev	3.45	0.99	10.51	1.57	11.16	0.00
Variance	11.88	0.98	110.42	2.48	124.50	0.00
Mean & CI	79.0 ± 2.1	98.1 ± 0.6	68.4 ± 6.5	97.0 ± 1.0	54.1 ± 6.9	77.1 ± 0.0

F.5 Single and aggregate models for wine quality (white)

Tables F.17 through F.24 give the details of predictive accuracy and TPRATE values for the 5NN single and aggregate models for the wine quality (white) dataset. Tables F.25 and F.26 provide the statistical test results for the comparison of the single and aggregate models.

Table F.17: Predictive performance of the 5NN single model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN single model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	31.2	8	56	22	54	8
2	30	14	58	30	44	4
3	29.2	10	56	24	44	12
4	28.8	6	54	30	46	8
5	33.2	14	54	34	54	10
6	32.4	12	54	34	54	8
7	30.8	14	46	36	44	14
8	34	18	50	36	54	12
9	35.2	10	64	38	50	14
10	31.6	10	56	30	50	12
Mean	31.6	11.6	54.8	31.4	49.4	10.2
StDev	2.1	3.5	4.7	5.3	4.5	3.2
Variance	4.3	12.3	22.4	27.6	20.5	10.2
Mean & CI	31.6±1.3	11.6±2.2	54.8±2.9	31.4±3.3	49.4±2.8	10.2±2.0

Table F.18: Predictive performance of the 5NN un-boosted OVA model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN OVA un-boosted model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	30.4	16	54	24	50	8
2	32.8	14	60	28	56	6
3	35.2	10	64	34	54	14
4	28.8	6	58	32	40	8
5	33.6	14	60	34	52	8
6	30.8	14	54	32	48	6
7	30.4	12	58	26	44	12
8	34	18	58	30	52	12
9	32.8	10	56	30	54	14
10	32.8	12	68	24	48	12
Mean	32.2	12.6	59.0	29.4	49.8	10.0
StDev	1.9	3.4	4.3	3.8	4.9	3.1
Variance	3.8	11.6	18.9	14.3	24.4	9.8
Mean & CI	32.2±1.2	12.6±2.1	59.0±2.7	29.9±2.3	49.8±3.1	10.0±1.9

Table F.19: Predictive performance of the 5NN boosted OVA model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN OVA boosted model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	33.2	16	64	24	52	10
2	33.2	16	68	16	58	8
3	35.2	12	68	26	54	16
4	29.2	6	66	22	44	8
5	35.2	16	64	34	52	10
6	29.6	14	62	16	50	6
7	35.2	14	68	34	44	16
8	35.6	18	62	28	56	14
9	34.4	12	64	22	60	14
10	34.8	12	70	28	52	12
Mean	33.6	13.6	65.6	25.0	52.2	11.4
StDev	2.3	3.4	2.8	6.3	5.3	3.5
Variance	5.5	11.4	7.8	40.2	28.0	12.5
Mean & CI	33.6±1.5	13.6±2.1	65.6±1.7	25.0±3.9	52.2±3.3	11.4±2.2



Table F.20: Predictive performance of the 5NN pVn model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	5NN pVn aggregate model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	33.2	16	44	52	46	8
2	34.8	12	56	50	50	6
3	36	12	58	50	46	14
4	31.2	4	54	58	32	8
5	37.6	14	60	60	44	10
6	32.4	12	54	54	34	8
7	32.4	10	56	46	36	14
8	35.6	18	52	42	54	12
9	34	6	50	50	50	14
10	38.4	10	66	54	50	12
Mean	34.6	11.4	55.0	51.6	44.2	10.6
StDev	2.4	4.2	5.9	5.3	7.6	3.0
Variance	5.6	17.8	34.9	28.3	58.2	8.9
Mean & CI	34.6±1.5	11.4±2.6	55.0±3.7	51.6±3.3	44.2±4.7	10.6±1.9

Table F.21: Predictive performance of the See5 single model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 single model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	38.4	28	70	32	54	8
2	37.6	24	70	34	52	8
3	38.4	28	74	32	50	8
4	33.6	20	64	26	46	12
5	36.4	28	70	32	48	4
6	37.2	30	72	30	46	8
7	36.8	28	70	36	44	6
8	37.2	28	66	36	46	10
9	38	26	70	34	50	10
10	34	20	74	30	42	
Mean	36.8	26.0	70.0	32.2	47.8	8.2
StDev	1.7	3.5	3.1	3.0	3.7	2.3
Variance	2.9	12.4	9.8	9.3	13.7	5.4
Mean & CI	36.8±1.0	26.0±2.2	70.0±1.9	32.2±1.9	47.8±2.3	8.2±1.4

Table F.22: Predictive performance of the See5 un-boosted model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 un-boosted OVA model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	34	42	64	14	36	14
2	34.8	38	68	20	40	8
3	38	42	70	12	48	18
4	29.6	26	68	6	42	6
5	36.4	48	70	10	42	12
6	32	34	66	10	40	10
7	36	46	58	14	46	16
8	38	46	60	18	52	14
9	34	40	58	14	38	20
10	35.6	40	64	16	44	14
Mean	34.8	40.2	64.6	13.4	42.8	13.2
StDev	2.6	6.5	4.6	4.1	4.8	4.3
Variance	6.8	42.2	21.4	16.9	23.3	18.8
Mean & CI	34.8±1.6	40.2±4.0	64.6±2.9	13.4±2.6	42.8±3.0	13.2±2.7

Table F.23: Predictive performance of the See5 boosted model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 boosted OVA model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	36.4	42	68	14	42	16
2	36	38	72	16	46	8
3	37.6	42	74	6	48	18
4	31.2	26	72	4	46	8
5	36.4	48	72	6	42	14
6	33.2	34	66	10	44	12
7	36.4	46	62	8	50	16
8	38.8	46	64	14	56	14
9	35.2	40	62	12	42	20
10	34.8	40	66	8	46	14
Mean	35.6	40.2	67.8	9.8	46.2	14.0
StDev	2.2	6.5	4.5	4.0	4.4	3.9
Variance	4.7	42.2	20.0	16.4	19.1	15.1
Mean & CI	35.6±1.3	40.2±4.0	67.8±2.8	9.8±2.5	46.2±2.7	14.0±2.4

Table F.24: Predictive performance of the See5 pVn model for Wine quality

Test set	Accuracy on all classes	See5 pVn model TPRATE% for class:				
		4	5	6	7	8
1	42	34	56	44	60	16
2	39.6	28	54	42	64	10
3	42.4	40	58	36	64	14
4	38	26	58	38	58	10
5	40.8	38	56	42	54	14
6	39.2	38	50	42	50	16
7	42.8	34	62	48	54	16
8	41.2	38	50	40	64	14
9	38.8	32	46	42	56	18
10	40.8	36	60	32	60	16
Mean	40.6	34.4	55.0	40.6	58.4	14.4
StDev	1.6	4.6	5.0	4.4	4.9	2.6
Variance	2.6	21.2	25.1	19.6	23.8	6.9
Mean & CI	40.6±1.0	34.4±2.9	55.0±3.1	40.6±2.7	58.4±3.0	14.4±1.6

Table F.25: Statistical tests for 5NN single and aggregate model comparison for wine quality

Wine quality white: 5NN models						
Group names and mean accuracy /TPRATE:10 test sets		Student's paired t-test (9 df)			Performance improvement measures	
Group A aggregate model	Group B single model	95% CI of mean difference	P value (2 tail)	Group A better than Group B?	Diff(A,B)%	Ratio(A,B)
OVA un-boosted All classes-A (32.2 ± 1.2)	All classes-S (31.6 ± 1.3)	[-1.2, 2.2]	0.511	no	0.5	0.01
OVA un-boosted Class4-A (12.6 ± 2.1)	Class4-S (11.6 ± 2.2)	[-0.9, 2.9]	0.273	no	1.0	0.01
OVA un-boosted Class5-A (59.0 ± 2.7)	Class5-S (54.8 ± 2.9)	[-0.3, 8.7]	0.066	yes	4.2	0.09
OVA un-boosted Class6-A (29.9 ± 2.3)	Class6-S (31.4 ± 3.3)	[-6.2, 2.2]	0.311	no	-2.0	-0.03
OVA un-boosted Class7-A (49.8 ± 3.1)	Class7-S (49.4 ± 2.8)	[-4.1, 4.9]	0.846	no	0.4	0.01
OVA un-boosted Class8-A (10.0 ± 1.9)	Class8-S (10.2 ± 2.0)	[-1.3, 0.9]	0.678	no	-0.2	0.00
OVA boosted All classes-A (33.6 ± 1.5)	All classes-S (31.6 ± 1.3)	[0.1, 3.7]	0.041	yes	1.9	0.03
OVA boosted Class4-A (13.6 ± 2.1)	Class4-S (11.6 ± 2.2)	[0.3, 3.7]	0.023	yes	2.0	0.02
OVA boosted Class5-A (65.6 ± 1.7)	Class5-S (54.8 ± 2.9)	[6.9, 14.7]	0.000	yes	10.8	0.24
OVA boosted Class6-A (25.0 ± 3.9)	Class6-S (31.4 ± 3.3)	[-11.8, -1.0]	0.025	no	-6.4	-0.09
OVA boosted Class7-A (52.2 ± 3.3)	Class7-S (49.4 ± 2.8)	[-1.6, 7.3]	0.191	no	2.8	0.06
OVA un-boosted Class8-A (11.4 ± 2.2)	Class8-S (10.2 ± 2.0)	[-0.2, 2.9]	0.081	yes	1.2	0.01
pVn All classes-A (34.6 ± 1.5)	All classes-S (31.6 ± 1.3)	[1.0, 4.9]	0.008	yes	2.9	0.04
pVn Class4-A (11.4 ± 2.6)	Class4-S (11.6 ± 2.2)	[-2.7, 2.3]	0.859	no	-0.2	0.00
pVn Class5-A (55.0 ± 3.7)	Class5-S (54.8 ± 2.9)	[-5.6, 6.0]	0.939	no	0.2	0.00
pVn Class6-A (51.6 ± 3.3)	Class6-S (31.4 ± 3.3)	[14.3, 26.1]	0.000	yes	20.2	0.29
pVn Class7-A (44.2 ± 4.7)	Class7-S (49.4 ± 2.8)	[-11.0, 0.6]	0.074	no	-5.2	-0.10
pVn Class8-A (10.6 ± 1.9)	Class8-S (10.2 ± 2.0)	[-0.2, 1.0]	0.168	no	0.4	0.00

Table F.26: Statistical tests for See5 single and aggregate model comparison for wine quality

Wine quality white: See5 models						
Group names and mean accuracy /TPRATE:10 test sets		Student's paired t-test (9 df)			Performance improvement measures	
Group A aggregate model	Group B single model	95% CI of mean difference	P value (2 tail)	Group A better than Group B?	Diff(A,B)%	Ratio(A,B)
OVA un-boosted All classes-A (34.8 ± 1.6)	All classes-S (36.8 ± 1.0)	[-3.7, -0.2]	0.034	no	-1.9	-0.03
OVA un-boosted Class4-A (40.2 ± 4.0)	Class4-S (26.0 ± 2.2)	[10.3, 18.1]	0.000	yes	14.2	0.19
OVA un-boosted Class5-A (64.6 ± 2.9)	Class5-S (70.0 ± 1.9)	[-9.1, -1.7]	0.009	no	-5.4	-0.18
OVA un-boosted Class6-A (13.4 ± 2.9)	Class6-S (32.2 ± 1.9)	[-20.8, -16.8]	0.000	no	-18.8	-0.28
OVA un-boosted Class7-A (42.8 ± 3.8)	Class7-S (47.8 ± 2.8)	[-10.3, 0.3]	0.062	no	-5.0	-0.10
OVA un-boosted Class8-A (13.2 ± 2.7)	Class8-S (8.2 ± 1.4)	[0.7, 9.1]	0.028	yes	5.0	0.05
OVA boosted All classes-A (35.6 ± 1.3)	All classes-S (36.8 ± 1.0)	[-2.4, 0.1]	0.062	no	-1.2	-0.02
OVA boosted Class4-A (40.2 ± 4.0)	Class4-S (26.0 ± 2.2)	[10.3, 18.1]	0.000	yes	14.2	0.19
OVA boosted Class5-A (67.8 ± 2.8)	Class5-S (70.0 ± 1.9)	[-6.0, 1.6]	0.227	no	-2.2	-0.07
OVA boosted Class6-A (9.8 ± 2.5)	Class6-S (32.2 ± 1.9)	[-24.8, -20.0]	0.000	no	-22.4	-0.33
OVA boosted Class7-A (46.2 ± 2.7)	Class7-S (47.8 ± 2.8)	[-6.5, 3.3]	0.475	no	-1.6	-0.03
OVA un-boosted Class8-A (14.0 ± 2.4)	Class8-S (8.2 ± 1.4)	[1.8, 9.7]	0.100	yes	5.8	0.06
pVn All classes-A (40.6 ± 1.0)	All classes-S (36.8 ± 1.0)	[2.4, 5.1]	0.000	yes	3.8	0.06
pVn Class4-A (34.4 ± 2.9)	Class4-S (26.0 ± 2.2)	[5.8, 11.0]	0.000	yes	8.4	0.11
pVn Class5-A (55.0 ± 3.1)	Class5-S (70.0 ± 1.9)	[-18.9, -11.1]	0.000	no	-15.0	-0.50
pVn Class6-A (40.6 ± 2.7)	Class6-S (32.2 ± 1.9)	[5.6, 11.2]	0.000	yes	8.4	0.12
pVn Class7-A (58.4 ± 3.0)	Class7-S (47.8 ± 2.8)	[7.0, 14.2]	0.000	yes	10.6	0.20
pVn Class8-A (14.4 ± 1.6)	Class8-S (8.2 ± 1.4)	[2.9, 9.1]	0.002	yes	6.2	0.07

Appendix G

ROC analysis details

The computational method for the AUC and the detailed results for ROC analysis are provided in this appendix. The ROC analysis that was conducted for the experiments was discussed in chapter 9. The method used to compute the Area Under the ROC curve (AUC) is depicted in figure G.1 and table G.1. Figure G.1 shows a ROC curve created with three points corresponding to three threshold points λ_1, λ_2 and λ_3 . The x-axis and y-axis respectively represent the FPRATE and TPRATE of a probabilistic classifier. Threshold averaging was used for the computation of the AUC. Recall from chapter 9 that for threshold averaging, the co-ordinates of each point on the ROC curve are obtained by computing the mean FPRATE (x co-ordinate) and mean TPRATE (y co-ordinate) for one threshold value λ_i . The mean FPRATE and TPRATE values were computed for 10 test sets. The areas of regions A1 to A7 were used to compute the AUC as shown in table G.1.

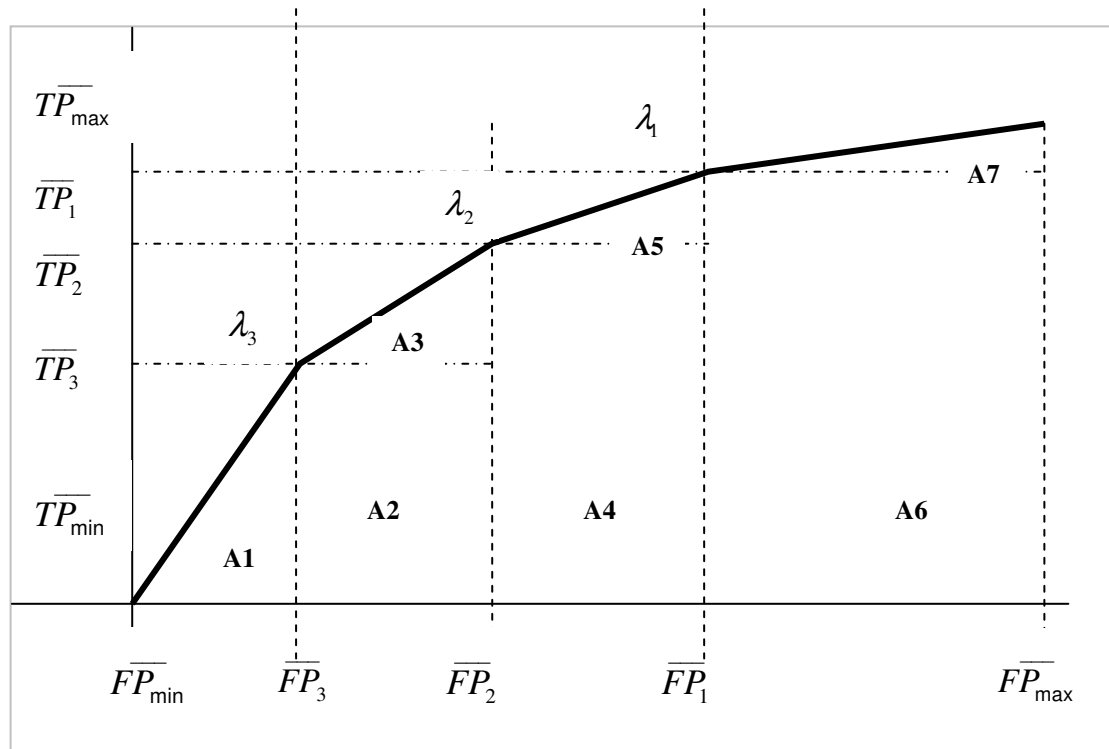


Figure G.1: Areas of the ROC plane used to compute the AUC

Table G.1: Method used for the computation of the AUC for probabilistic classifiers

Area code	Computation
A1	$\frac{1}{2} * (FP3 * TP3)$
A2	$(FP2 - FP3) * TP3$
A3	$\frac{1}{2} * (FP2 - FP3) * (TP2 - TP3)$
A4	$(FP1 - FP2) * TP2$
A5	$\frac{1}{2} * (FP1 - FP2) * (TP1 - TP2)$
A6	$(FPmax - FP1) * TP1$
A7	$\frac{1}{2} * (FPmax - FP1) * (TPmax - TP1)$
TOTAL	$A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 + A5 + A6 + A7$
AUC_{above}	$(TOTAL - \text{area under 45deg line})$
AUC	TOTAL

Tables G.2 to G.7 provide the details of the FPRATE values (FP1, FP2, FP3) and TPRATE values (TP1, TP2, TP3) and AUC values for the forest cover type, KDD Cup 1999 and wine quality datasets. The AUC is the area between the x-axis, y-axis and ROC curve. AUC_{above} is the area between the 45 degree line and the ROC curve. The threshold values of 0.6, 0.8 and 1.0 for the 5NN classifiers correspond to the number of nearest neighbours (3, 4, 5) used by the 5NN algorithm to determine the winning class. The threshold values of 0.5, 0.75 and 1.0 were used for the See5 classifiers. The positive class column represents a *one-vs-rest* classifier which predicts the indicated class as the positive class and all the other classes as negative classes.

Table G.2: One-vs-rest AUC for the 5NN forest cover type models

5NN forest cover type models: TPRATE, FPRATE, AUC and Mean AUC									
Model	Positive class	Mean values for thresholds						AUC	AUC_{above}
		$\lambda_1 = 0.6$		$\lambda_2 = 0.8$		$\lambda_3 = 1.0$			
		FP1	TP1	FP2	TP2	FP3	TP3		
single 5NN	1	0.04	0.62	0.02	0.37	0.00	0.17	0.79	0.29
	2	0.03	0.48	0.01	0.27	0.00	0.09	0.73	0.23
	3	0.03	0.51	0.01	0.32	0.00	0.15	0.75	0.25
	4	0.03	0.92	0.02	0.78	0.01	0.53	0.95	0.45
	5	0.03	0.88	0.02	0.78	0.01	0.48	0.93	0.43
	6	0.05	0.70	0.02	0.44	0.01	0.18	0.83	0.33
	7	0.03	0.95	0.01	0.82	0.01	0.64	0.97	0.47
						Mean:		0.85	0.35
OVA unboosted 5NN	1	0.03	0.70	0.03	0.69	0.03	0.58	0.83	0.33
	2	0.03	0.58	0.03	0.57	0.02	0.49	0.78	0.28
	3	0.03	0.72	0.03	0.72	0.02	0.60	0.85	0.35
	4	0.02	0.90	0.02	0.87	0.01	0.67	0.94	0.44
	5	0.04	0.96	0.04	0.96	0.03	0.89	0.96	0.46
	6	0.05	0.81	0.05	0.80	0.03	0.67	0.88	0.38
	7	0.03	0.97	0.03	0.97	0.02	0.91	0.97	0.47
						Mean:		0.89	0.39
OVA boosted 5NN	1	0.03	0.70	0.03	0.69	0.03	0.58	0.83	0.33
	2	0.03	0.62	0.03	0.60	0.02	0.51	0.80	0.30
	3	0.03	0.71	0.03	0.71	0.02	0.61	0.84	0.34
	4	0.02	1.00	0.02	1.00	0.01	1.00	0.99	0.49
	5	0.04	0.97	0.03	0.94	0.02	0.82	0.97	0.47
	6	0.04	0.78	0.04	0.75	0.03	0.63	0.87	0.37
	7	0.03	0.97	0.03	0.97	0.02	0.91	0.97	0.47
						Mean:		0.90	0.40
pVn 5NN	1	0.05	0.68	0.03	0.62	0.01	0.36	0.82	0.32
	2	0.04	0.57	0.03	0.50	0.02	0.30	0.77	0.27
	3	0.04	0.65	0.03	0.52	0.01	0.34	0.81	0.31
	4	0.03	0.97	0.02	0.83	0.01	0.68	0.98	0.48
	5	0.04	0.94	0.03	0.89	0.02	0.79	0.96	0.46
	6	0.05	0.75	0.03	0.65	0.01	0.39	0.86	0.36
	7	0.02	0.93	0.01	0.67	0.01	0.67	0.96	0.46
						Mean:		0.88	0.38

Table G.3: One-vs-rest AUC for the 5NN KDD Cup 1999 models

5NN KDD Cup 1999 models: TPRATE, FPRATE, AUC and Mean AUC									
Model	Positive class	Mean values for thresholds						<i>AUC</i>	<i>AUC_{above}</i>
		$\lambda_1 = 0.6$		$\lambda_2 = 0.8$		$\lambda_3 = 1.0$			
		FP1	TP1	FP2	TP2	FP3	TP3		
single 5NN	NORM	0.22	0.84	0.13	0.84	0.11	0.80	0.86	0.36
	R2L	0.06	0.65	0.05	0.60	0.04	0.53	0.80	0.30
	DOS	0.01	0.66	0.01	0.63	0.01	0.61	0.83	0.33
	PROBE	0.09	0.96	0.09	0.96	0.07	0.93	0.94	0.44
	U2R	0.01	0.31	0.01	0.26	0.01	0.20	0.65	0.15
						Mean:		0.82	0.32
OVA unboosted 5NN	NORM	0.14	0.92	0.13	0.92	0.10	0.92	0.91	0.41
	R2L	0.07	0.65	0.07	0.62	0.06	0.57	0.79	0.29
	DOS	0.00	0.66	0.00	0.66	0.00	0.65	0.83	0.33
	PROBE	0.08	0.95	0.08	0.95	0.08	0.95	0.94	0.44
	U2R	0.01	0.43	0.01	0.43	0.01	0.31	0.71	0.21
						Mean:		0.83	0.33
OVA boosted 5NN	NORM	0.15	0.92	0.13	0.92	0.10	0.92	0.91	0.41
	R2L	0.07	0.61	0.06	0.59	0.05	0.52	0.77	0.27
	DOS	0.00	0.66	0.00	0.66	0.00	0.66	0.83	0.33
	PROBE	0.08	0.95	0.08	0.95	0.08	0.95	0.94	0.44
	U2R	0.01	0.40	0.01	0.40	0.01	0.29	0.70	0.20
						Mean:		0.83	0.33
pVn 5NN	NORM	0.16	0.99	0.15	0.99	0.12	0.98	0.93	0.43
	R2L	0.07	0.81	0.06	0.81	0.06	0.78	0.88	0.38
	DOS	0.00	0.97	0.00	0.97	0.00	0.72	0.98	0.48
	PROBE	0.00	0.98	0.00	0.98	0.00	0.98	0.99	0.49
	U2R	0.01	0.26	0.01	0.20	0.00	0.05	0.63	0.13
						Mean:		0.88	0.33

Table G.4: One-vs-rest AUC for the 5NN Wine quality models

5NN Wine quality (white) models: Mean TPRATE, mean FPRATE, AUC and Mean AUC									
Model	positive class	Mean values for thresholds						AUC	AUC_{above}
		$\lambda_1 = 0.6$		$\lambda_2 = 0.8$		$\lambda_3 = 1.0$			
		FP1	TP1	FP2	TP2	FP3	TP3		
single 5NN	4	0.04	0.12	0.02	0.08	0.01	0.04	0.54	0.04
	5	0.20	0.48	0.10	0.29	0.04	0.11	0.65	0.15
	6	0.17	0.22	0.04	0.08	0.01	0.01	0.53	0.03
	7	0.23	0.42	0.10	0.16	0.04	0.03	0.59	0.09
	8	0.02	0.10	0.01	0.07	0.00	0.03	0.54	0.04
						Mean	AUC:	0.57	0.07
OVA un-boosted 5NN	4	0.05	0.13	0.05	0.13	0.04	0.09	0.54	0.04
	5	0.27	0.59	0.25	0.55	0.12	0.34	0.67	0.17
	6	0.22	0.29	0.19	0.26	0.11	0.16	0.54	0.04
	7	0.28	0.50	0.25	0.42	0.17	0.33	0.61	0.11
	8	0.02	0.10	0.02	0.10	0.02	0.10	0.54	0.04
						Mean	AUC:	0.58	0.08
OVA boosted 5NN	4	0.05	0.14	0.05	0.14	0.05	0.10	0.54	0.04
	5	0.31	0.66	0.29	0.59	0.13	0.35	0.68	0.18
	6	0.13	0.25	0.09	0.20	0.02	0.08	0.56	0.06
	7	0.29	0.52	0.27	0.48	0.17	0.35	0.62	0.12
	8	0.03	0.11	0.03	0.11	0.02	0.11	0.54	0.04
						Mean	AUC:	0.59	0.09
pVn 5NN	4	0.05	0.11	0.04	0.09	0.02	0.02	0.53	0.03
	5	0.23	0.53	0.15	0.39	0.04	0.16	0.66	0.16
	6	0.27	0.50	0.17	0.32	0.04	0.12	0.62	0.12
	7	0.22	0.44	0.15	0.28	0.06	0.08	0.60	0.10
	8	0.02	0.11	0.02	0.09	0.01	0.06	0.55	0.05
						Mean	AUC:	0.59	0.09

Table G.5: One-vs-rest AUC for the See5 forest cover type models

See5 forest cover type models: TPRATE, FPRATE, AUC and Mean AUC									
Model	Positive class	Mean values for thresholds						AUC	AUC _{above}
		$\lambda_1 = 0.5$		$\lambda_2 = 0.75$		$\lambda_3 = 1.0$			
		FP1	TP1	FP2	TP2	FP3	TP3		
single See5	1	0.03	0.57	0.01	0.28	0.00	0.04	0.77	0.27
	2	0.06	0.63	0.03	0.39	0.00	0.04	0.79	0.29
	3	0.03	0.61	0.01	0.41	0.00	0.04	0.79	0.29
	4	0.03	0.94	0.02	0.90	0.00	0.08	0.96	0.46
	5	0.03	0.86	0.02	0.77	0.00	0.00	0.92	0.42
	6	0.05	0.78	0.03	0.60	0.00	0.05	0.87	0.37
	7	0.03	0.96	0.02	0.85	0.01	0.03	0.97	0.47
						Mean:		0.87	0.37
OVA unboosted 5NNSee5	1	0.05	0.61	0.05	0.60	0.00	0.01	0.78	0.28
	2	0.05	0.50	0.05	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.72	0.22
	3	0.04	0.64	0.04	0.62	0.00	0.02	0.80	0.30
	4	0.01	0.87	0.01	0.85	0.00	0.00	0.93	0.43
	5	0.04	0.94	0.04	0.94	0.00	0.01	0.95	0.45
	6	0.07	0.79	0.07	0.79	0.00	0.08	0.86	0.36
	7	0.03	0.93	0.03	0.93	0.00	0.00	0.95	0.45
						Mean:		0.86	0.36
OVA boosted See5	1	0.03	0.63	0.02	0.52	0.00	0.04	0.80	0.30
	2	0.07	0.67	0.07	0.62	0.01	0.01	0.80	0.30
	3	0.02	0.63	0.02	0.62	0.00	0.08	0.80	0.30
	4	0.01	0.95	0.01	0.94	0.00	0.04	0.97	0.47
	5	0.04	0.87	0.04	0.87	0.00	0.09	0.92	0.42
	6	0.04	0.76	0.04	0.76	0.00	0.05	0.86	0.36
	7	0.01	0.98	0.01	0.97	0.00	0.22	0.98	0.48
						Mean:		0.88	0.38
pVn See5	1	0.04	0.65	0.02	0.54	0.00	0.08	0.81	0.31
	2	0.06	0.65	0.05	0.61	0.00	0.04	0.80	0.30
	3	0.04	0.72	0.03	0.68	0.00	0.09	0.84	0.34
	4	0.01	0.95	0.01	0.89	0.00	0.01	0.97	0.47
	5	0.02	0.89	0.02	0.81	0.00	0.00	0.93	0.43
	6	0.05	0.82	0.04	0.78	0.00	0.12	0.89	0.39
	7	0.02	0.92	0.01	0.88	0.00	0.03	0.95	0.45
						Mean:		0.88	0.38

Table G.6: One-vs-rest AUC for the See5 KDD Cup 1999 models

See5 KDD Cup 1999 models: TPRATE, FPRATE, AUC and Mean AUC									
Model	Positive class	Mean values for thresholds						<i>AUC</i>	<i>AUC_{above}</i>
		$\lambda_1 = 0.5$		$\lambda_2 = 0.75$		$\lambda_3 = 1.0$			
		FP1	TP1	FP2	TP2	FP3	TP3		
single See5	NORM	0.22	0.86	0.22	0.86	0.02	0.63	0.88	0.38
	R2L	0.02	0.38	0.02	0.38	0.00	0.12	0.68	0.18
	DOS	0.02	0.82	0.02	0.82	0.02	0.82	0.90	0.40
	PROBE	0.04	0.36	0.04	0.36	0.02	0.36	0.67	0.17
	U2R	0.16	0.77	0.16	0.77	0.00	0.00	0.81	0.31
						Mean:		0.79	0.29
OVA unboosted See5	NORM	0.11	0.98	0.11	0.98	0.10	0.98	0.94	0.44
	R2L	0.09	0.34	0.09	0.34	0.06	0.04	0.62	0.12
	DOS	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.01	0.75	0.25
	PROBE	0.10	0.88	0.10	0.88	0.10	0.88	0.89	0.39
	U2R	0.01	0.46	0.01	0.46	0.00	0.00	0.73	0.23
						Mean:		0.79	0.29
OVA boosted See5	NORM	0.24	0.99	0.24	0.99	0.15	0.93	0.91	0.41
	R2L	0.02	0.24	0.02	0.24	0.00	0.01	0.61	0.11
	DOS	0.06	0.56	0.06	0.56	0.01	0.56	0.77	0.27
	PROBE	0.08	0.89	0.08	0.89	0.08	0.89	0.91	0.41
	U2R	0.01	0.40	0.01	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.69	0.19
						Mean:		0.78	0.28
pVn See5	NORM	0.20	0.98	0.20	0.98	0.07	0.41	0.90	0.40
	R2L	0.02	0.54	0.02	0.54	0.01	0.22	0.76	0.26
	DOS	0.00	0.68	0.00	0.68	0.00	0.44	0.84	0.34
	PROBE	0.03	0.97	0.03	0.97	0.01	0.97	0.98	0.48
	U2R	0.01	0.77	0.01	0.71	0.00	0.43	0.88	0.38
						Mean:		0.87	0.37

Table G.7: One-vs-rest AUC for the See5 Wine quality models

See5 Wine quality white: TPRATE, FPRATE,auc and MEAN AUC									
model	positive Class	Mean values for thresholds						AUC	AUC_{above}
		$\lambda_1 = 0.5$		$\lambda_2 = 0.75$		$\lambda_3 = 1.0$			
		FP1	TP1	FP2	TP2	FP3	TP3		
single See5	4	0.04	0.26	0.04	0.26	0.00	0.01	0.61	0.11
	5	0.33	0.70	0.03	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.68	0.18
	6	0.18	0.28	0.02	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.05
	7	0.19	0.48	0.05	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.64	0.14
	8	0.01	0.08	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.54	0.04
						Mean:		0.60	0.10
un-boosted OVA See5	4	0.09	0.40	0.09	0.40	0.01	0.09	0.66	0.16
	5	0.30	0.65	0.30	0.65	0.02	0.01	0.67	0.17
	6	0.12	0.13	0.10	0.13	0.01	0.00	0.51	0.01
	7	0.25	0.43	0.24	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.59	0.09
	8	0.03	0.13	0.03	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.05
						Mean:		0.60	0.10
boosted OVA See5	4	0.09	0.40	0.09	0.40	0.01	0.09	0.66	0.16
	5	0.33	0.68	0.31	0.68	0.02	0.01	0.68	0.18
	6	0.07	0.10	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.51	0.01
	7	0.26	0.46	0.24	0.45	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.10
	8	0.03	0.14	0.03	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.56	0.06
						Mean:		0.60	0.10
pVn See5	4	0.06	0.34	0.06	0.34	0.01	0.09	0.64	0.14
	5	0.19	0.55	0.14	0.48	0.00	0.00	0.69	0.19
	6	0.19	0.41	0.12	0.27	0.01	0.02	0.61	0.11
	7	0.29	0.58	0.25	0.56	0.03	0.06	0.66	0.16
	8	0.02	0.14	0.02	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.56	0.06
						Mean:		0.63	0.13

Appendix H

Using statistical and database software to implement dataset selection methods

Recommendations for using database and statistical software for the implementation of dataset selection methods proposed in this thesis were given in chapter 10. Tables H.1 and H.2 provide detailed suggestions for feature selection, training instance selection and model aggregation.

Table H.1: Suggestions for feature selection using statistical software

Feature selection activity	Step for activity	Implementation
Feature ranking	Generation of probe variables	SPSS, SAS or MS Excel
	Sampling	SPSS or SAS
	Binarisation of qualitative features and class variable	SPSS, SAS or MS Excel
	Measurement of class-feature and feature-feature correlations	Bivariate correlation matrix for quantitative variables
		Pearson's chi-square, SU coefficient, phi and Cramer's V statistics
	Computation of mean and 95% CIs of means for correlations	SPSS
	Ranking and feature elimination using probes	SPSS or MS Excel
Feature subset search	Search for best subset	Specialised code e.g. C++ code

Table H.2: Suggestions for OVA and pVn modeling using statistical software

Activity	Implementation
Sampling for training set to create single model	SPSS or SAS
Creation of single model and confusion matrix	SPSS or SAS
Dataset partitioning	SPSS, SAS or SQL
Sampling from partitions to obtain boosted samples for base model creation	SPSS, SAS
Creation of base models	SPSS, SAS or other modelling software
Model aggregation	SPSS, SAS or MS Excel or Specialised code e.g. C++ code

Appendix I

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