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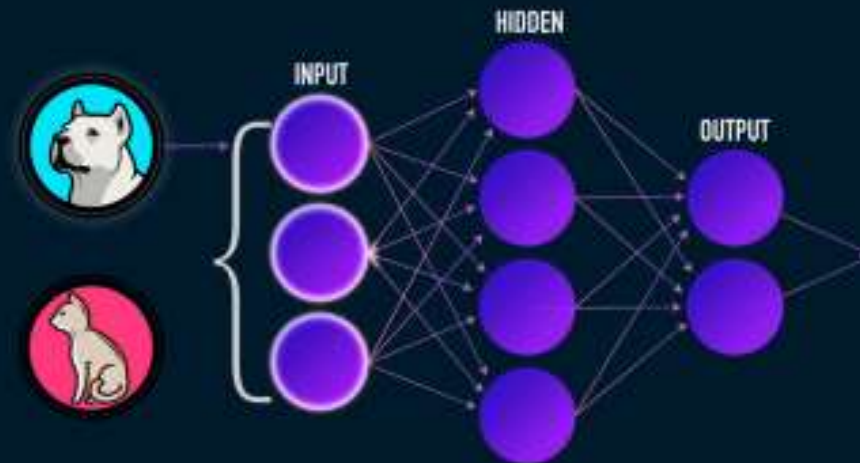
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# What about Artificial Neural Networks?

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We have already used several learning model techniques... But now let's try using **Multilayer Perceptrons (MLPs)**, a class of **Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)**!

**Artificial Neural Networks** are a computational model that consists of **several processing elements** that **receive inputs and deliver outputs** based on their predefined **activation functions**.

**Artificial Neural Networks** can be applied both for **Regression** and **Classification** problems.

To implement our first **Artificial Neural Network** we will use:



# KNIME for Artificial Neural Networks

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Why?

Open-source platform applied for **data science**

Strong and comprehensive platform for **drag-and-drop analytics, machine & deep learning, statistics, and ETL**

Tool of choice for **data science starters**

Also, no programming background required



# Machine Learning vs Deep Learning

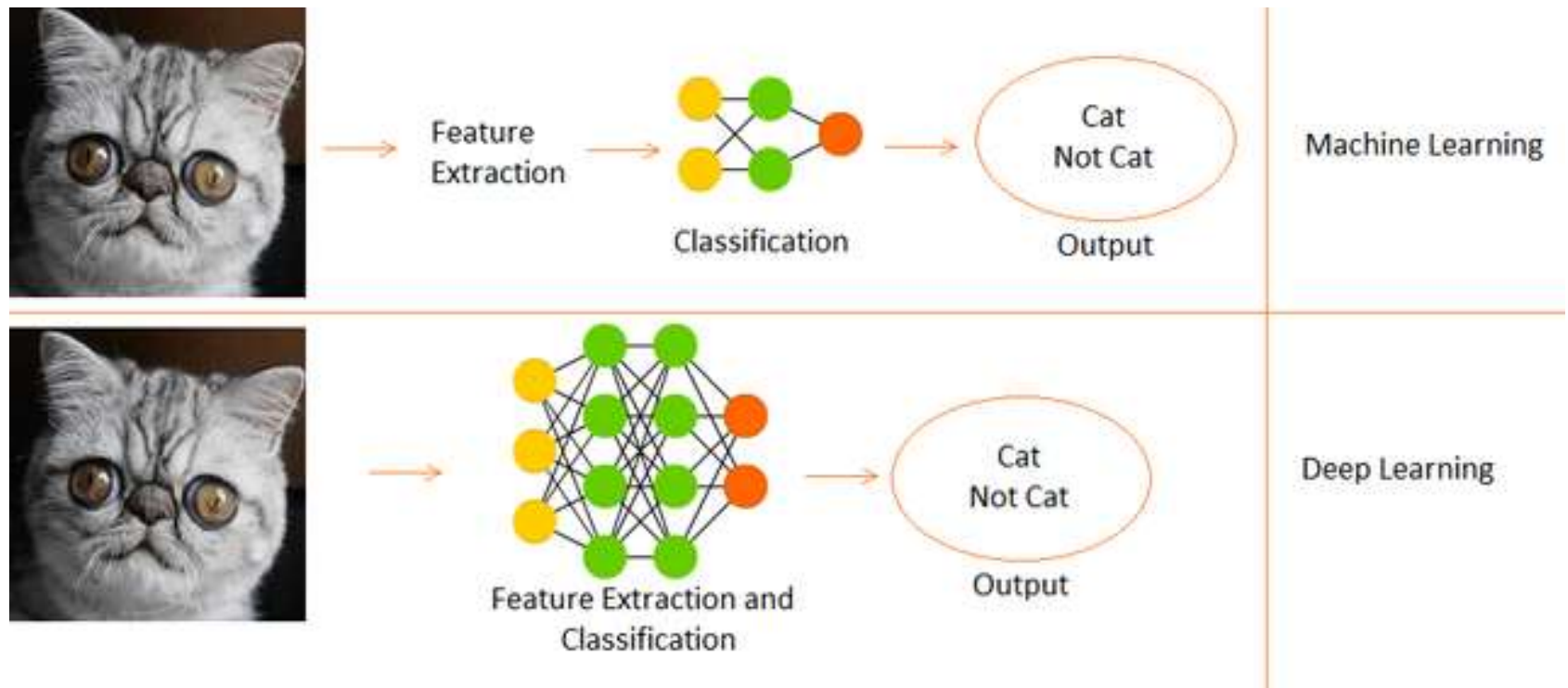
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**Dataset** available:

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- Test Data: <https://bit.ly/3vcAuxd>

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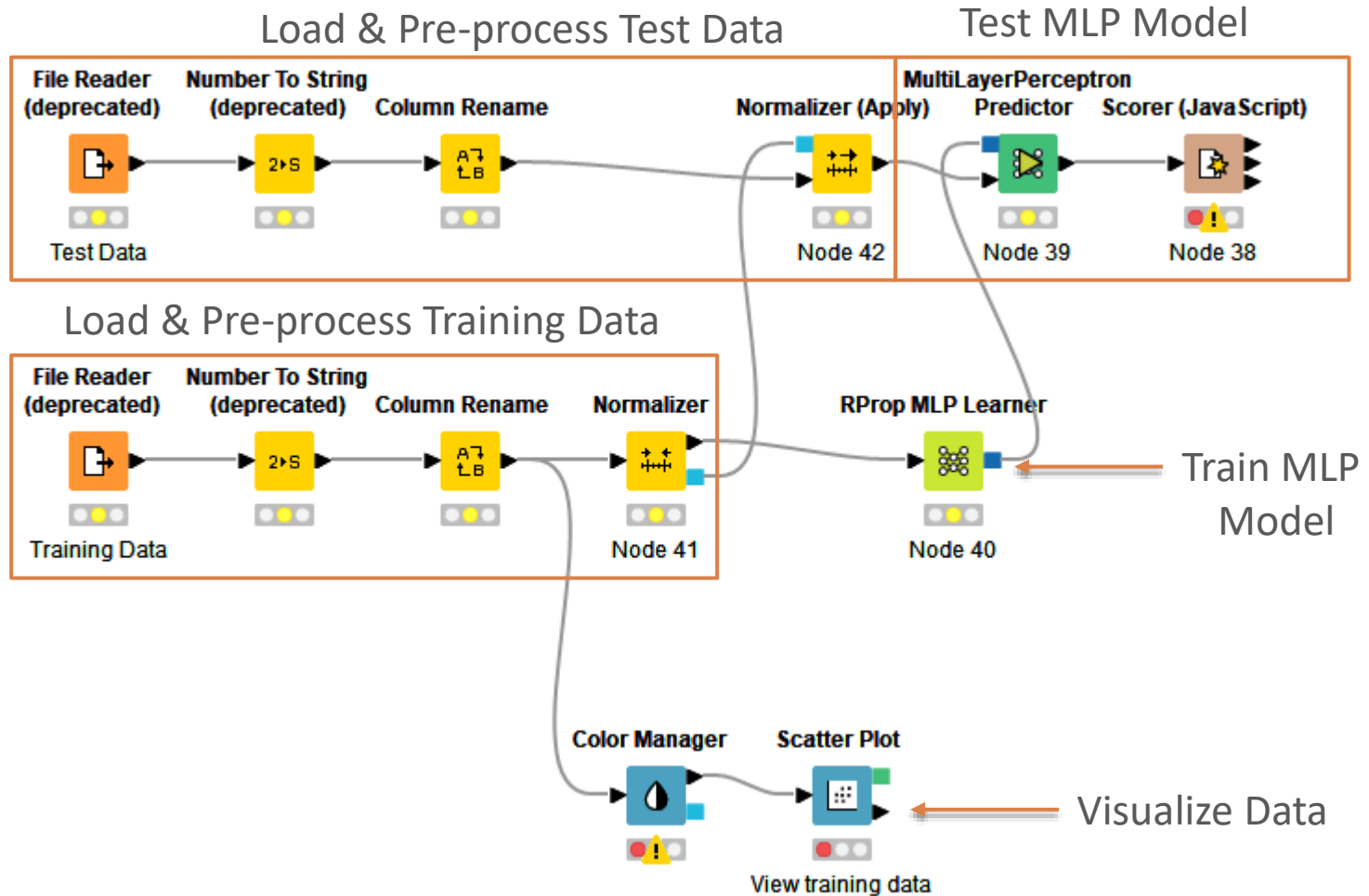
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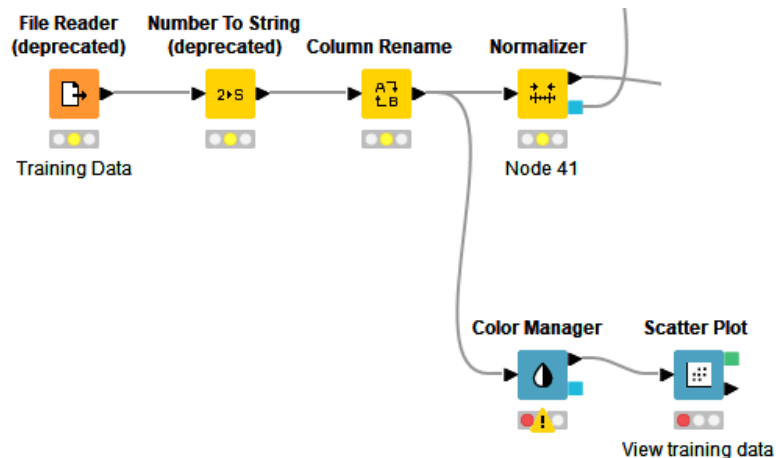
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Normalized table - 0:41 - Normalizer

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Row4	0	0.237	0.704
Row5	0	0.244	0.737
Row6	1	0.528	0.104
Row7	0	0.389	0.748
Row8	0	0.483	0.648
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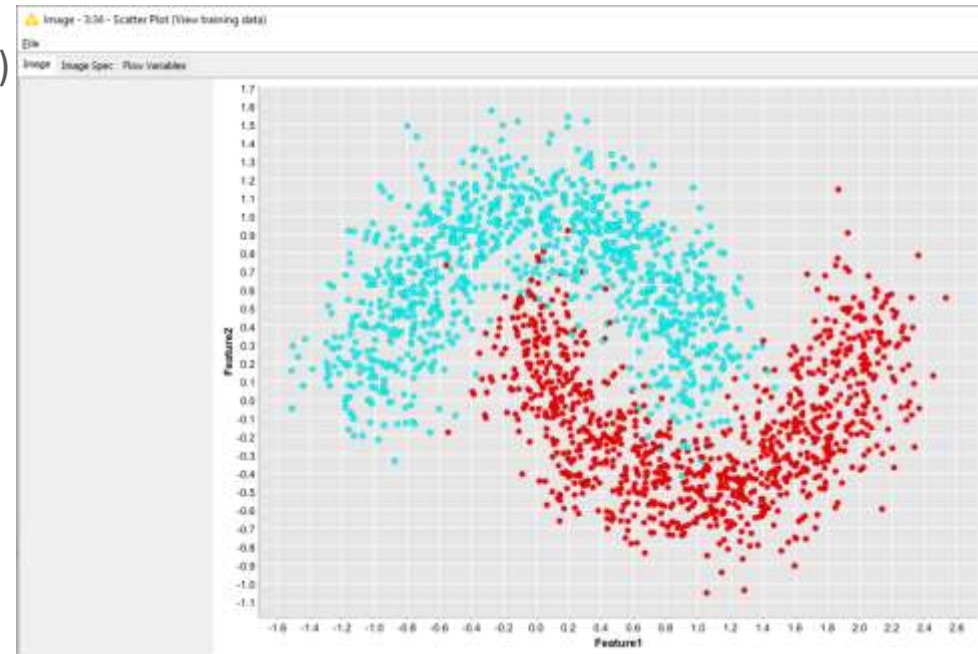
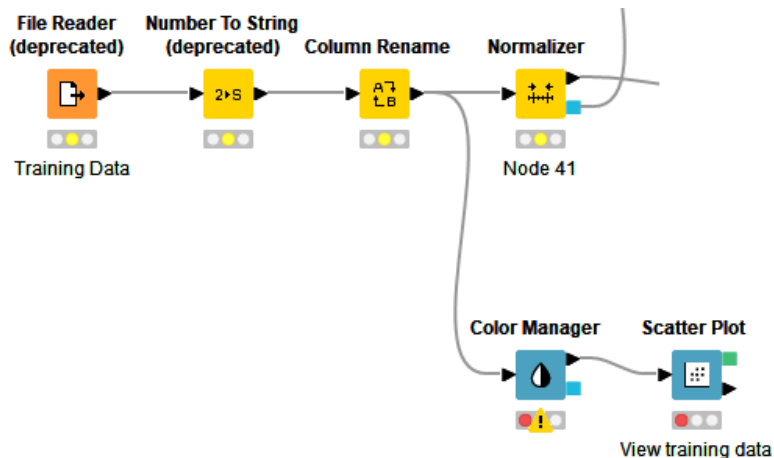
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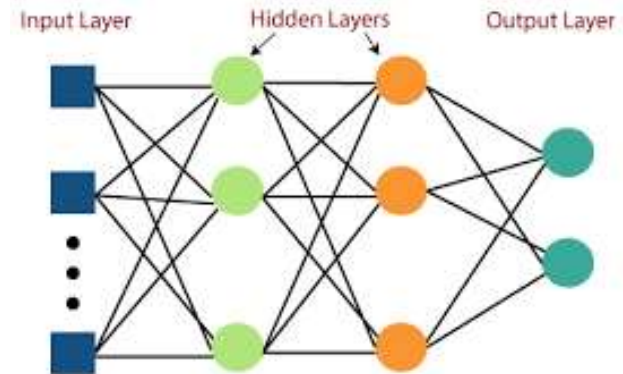
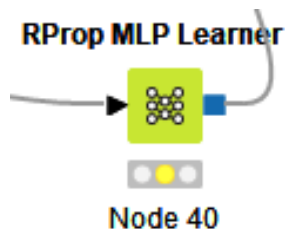
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Create a simple general purpose **Multilayer Perceptron** consisting of **three fully connected** (FC) layers

## Parameters:

- Number of Iterations: 100
- Number of hidden layers: 3
- Number of hidden neurons per layer: 3
- Class Column: Label
- Random seed: 2022



The image shows the 'Dialog - 0:40 - RProp MLP Learner' window. It has a 'File' menu and two tabs: 'Options' (selected) and 'Flow Variables'. The 'Options' tab contains the following settings:

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- ☐ Ignore Missing Values
- ☒ Use seed for random initialization
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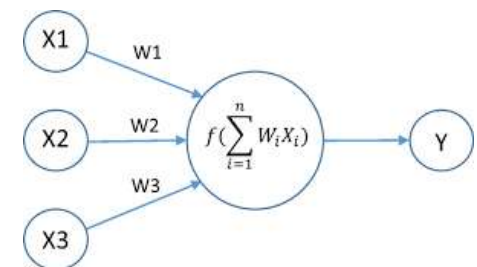
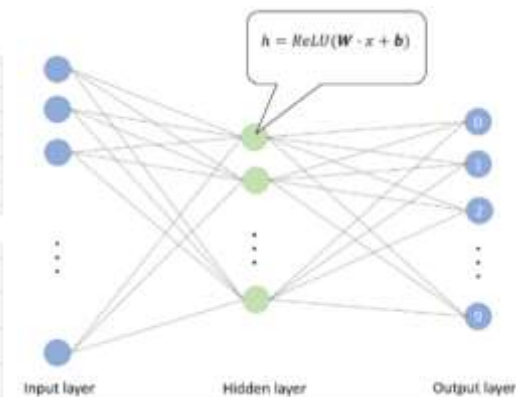
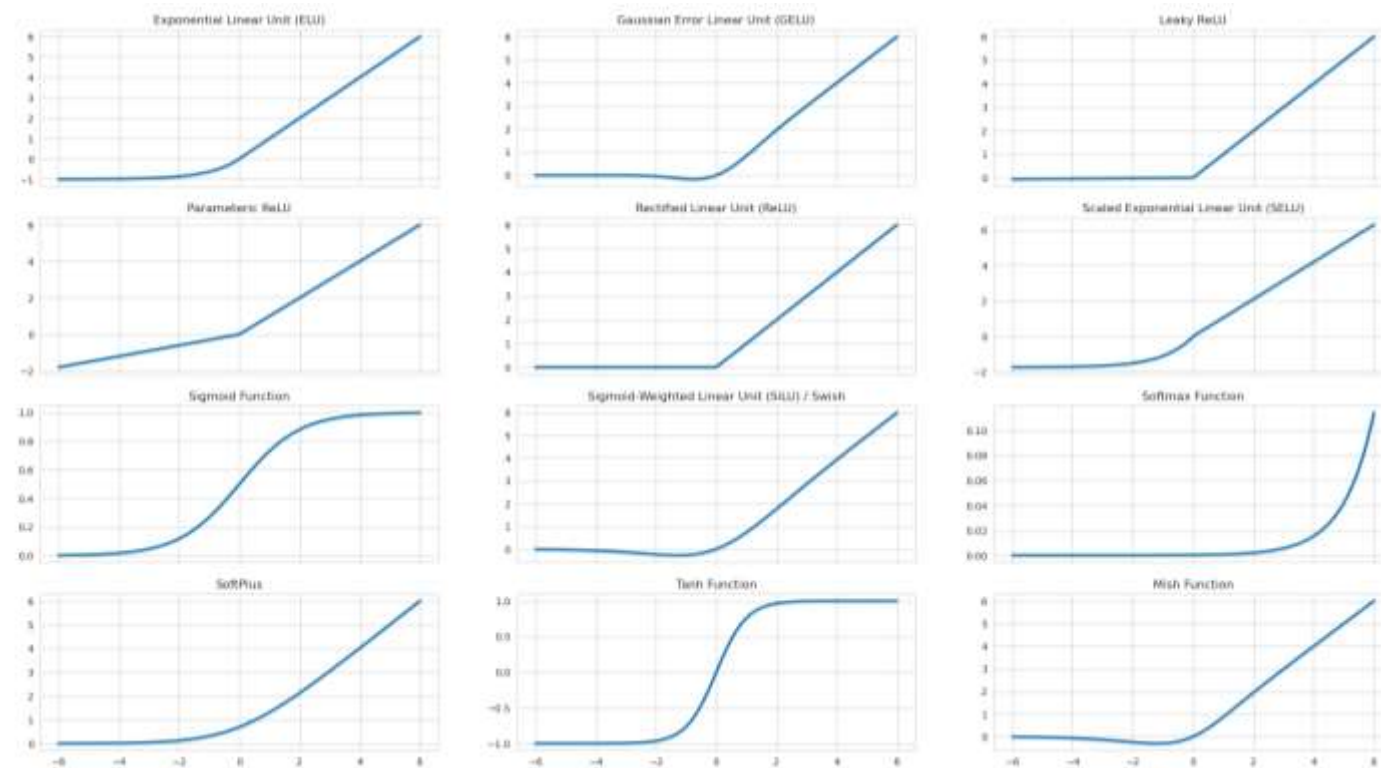
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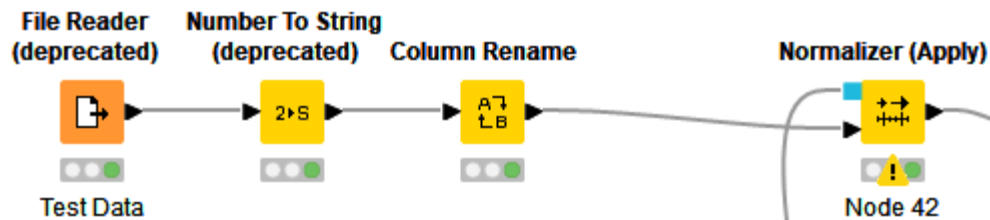
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Normalized output - 0:42 - Normalizer (Apply)

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Row3	0	0.119	0.531
Row4	1	0.383	0.083
Row5	0	0.346	0.683
Row6	1	0.514	0.258
Row7	1	0.381	0.426
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# Predict & Evaluate MLP

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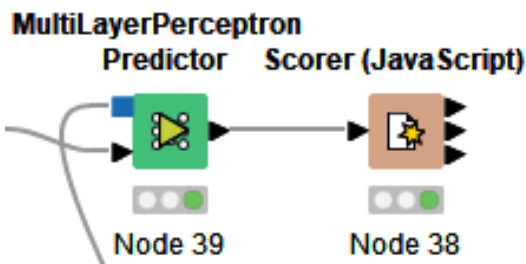
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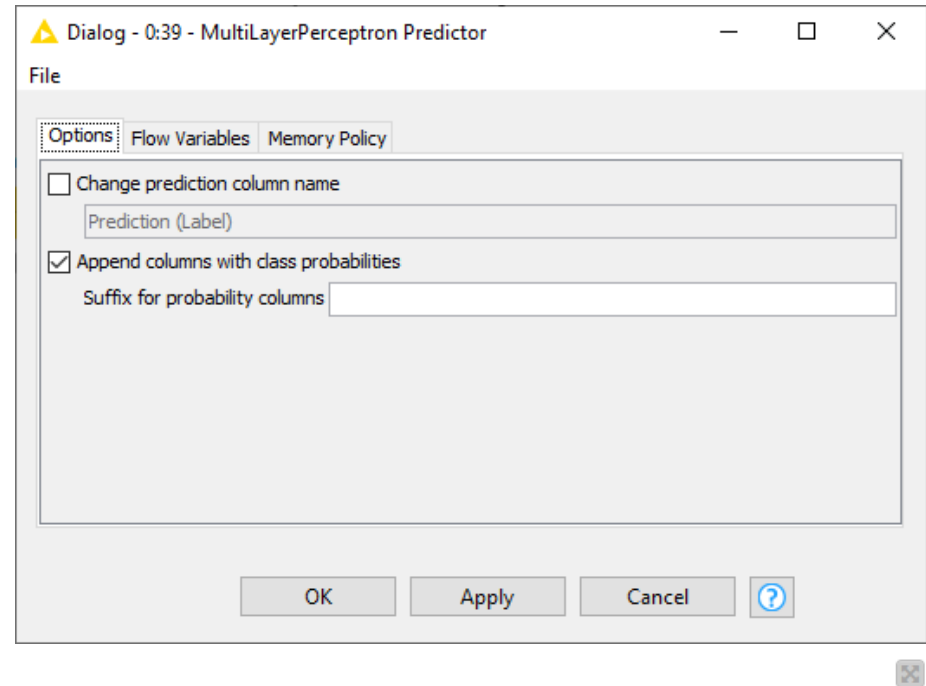
## Scorer View

Confusion Matrix

	0 (Predicted)	1 (Predicted)	
0 (Actual)	426	71	85.71%
1 (Actual)	52	451	89.66%
	89.12%	86.40%	

Overall Statistics

Overall Accuracy	Overall Error	Cohen's kappa ( $\kappa$ )	Correctly Classified	Incorrectly Classified
87.70%	12.30%	0.754	877	123



# MLP Tips

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Regarding Artificial Neural Networks, take into consideration the following good practices:

- ANN are picky - **they prefer scaled data**! Normalize whenever possible!
- **Fine-tune** the **ANN parameters** (e.g., number of iterations, number of hidden layers, number of hidden neurons per layer) using grid search methods
- Never forget to use a specific random seed (replicate learning model train/test)

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**Dataset** available:

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- Test Data: knime://knime.workflow/moon\_data\_eval.csv

Workflow **Requirements**:

- KNIME DeepLearning4J Integration

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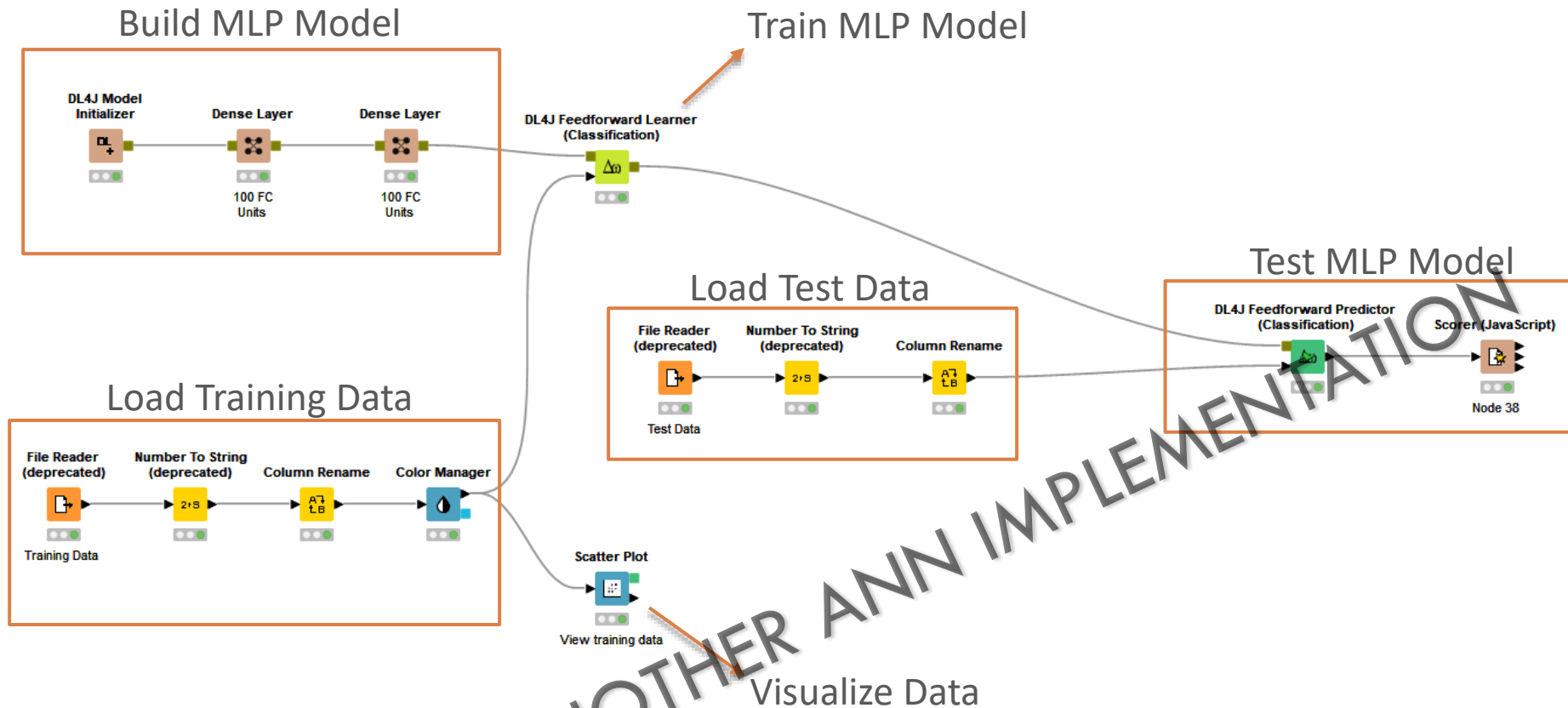
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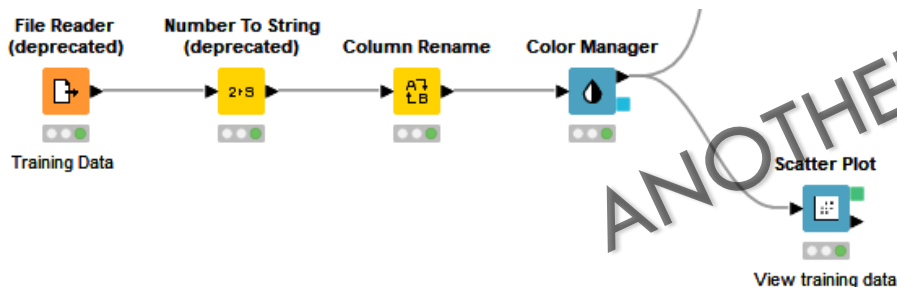
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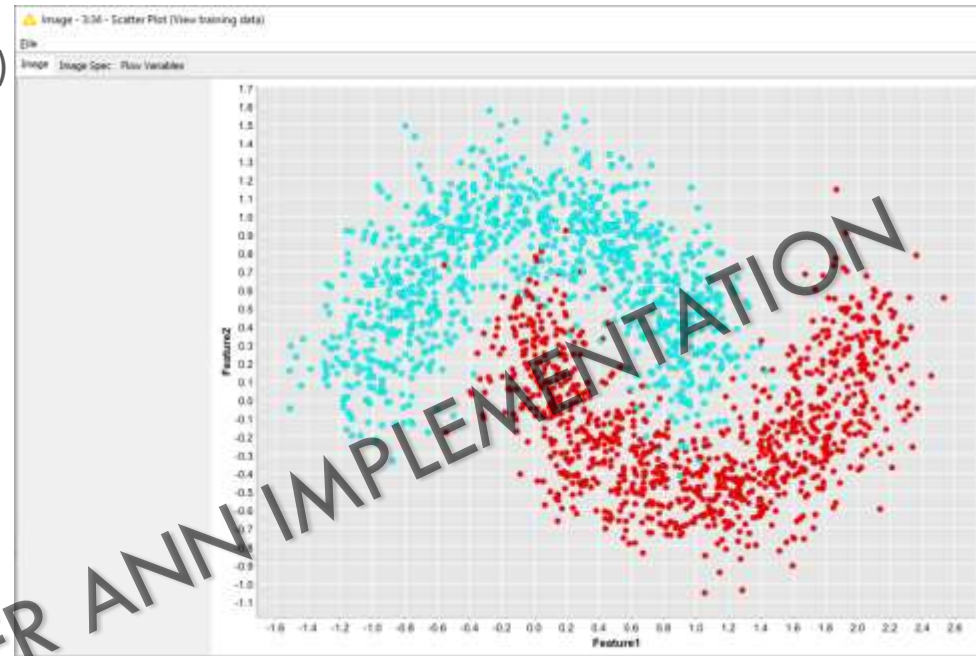
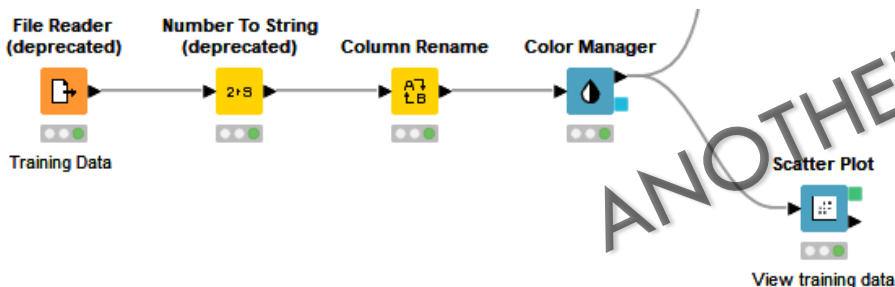
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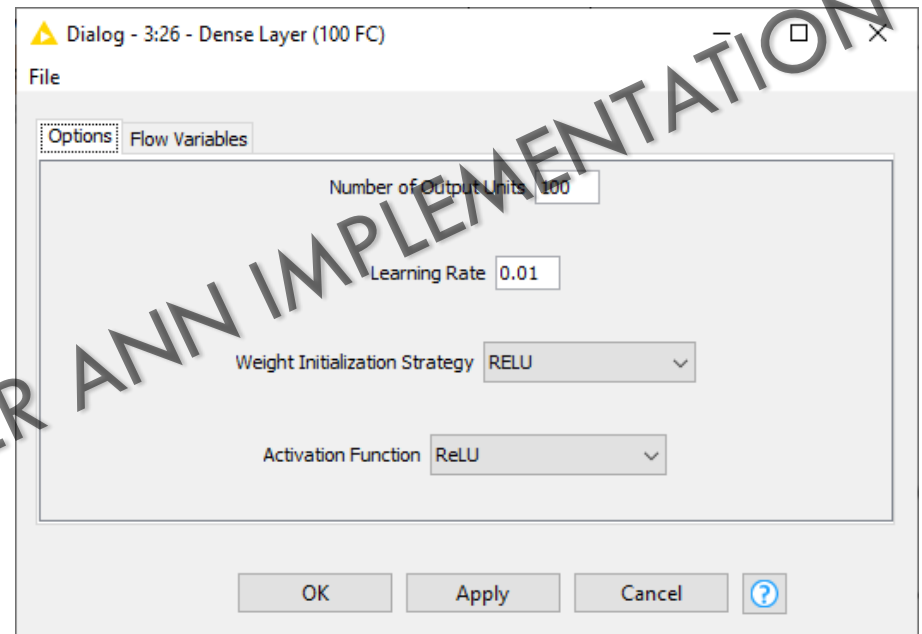
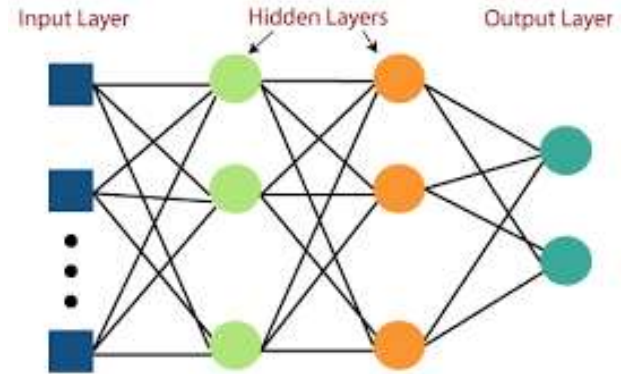
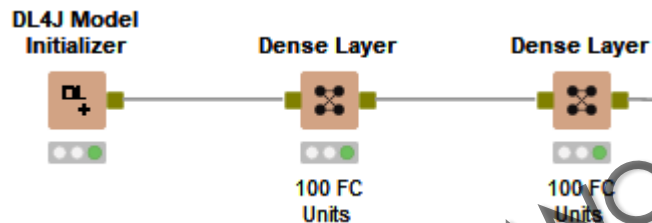
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**Parameters** for each FC layers:

- Number of Units / Nodes = 100
- Learning Rate:  $10^{-2} = 0.01$
- Activation Function: ReLU



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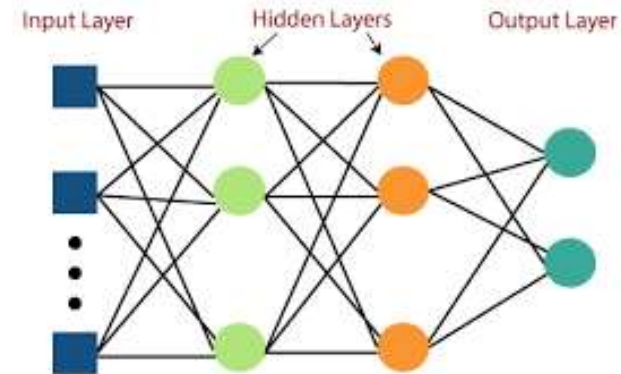
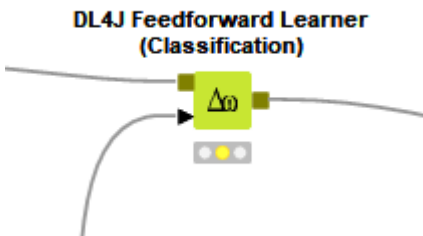
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Train the created network using the **DL4J Feedforward Learner (Classification)** Node

Take into consideration adjusting the **learning parameters** (e.g., Learning Parameter, Output Layer Parameters, Column Selection, etc.)



Important Parameters:

- **Global Learning Rate** (Global Parameters): configure the learner node to use the specified learning rate for all layers
- **Output Layer Parameter**: configure the loss function suitable for the learner node ('Negative Log Likelihood' paired with 'Softmax' is usually a good choice for classification)

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Dialog - 3:35 - DL4J Feedforward Learner (Classification)

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Learning Parameter Global Parameter Data Parameter Output Layer Parameter Column Selection Flow Variables

Training Method

Number of Training Iterations 10

Optimization Algorithm Stochastic Gradient Descent

☐ Do Finetuning?

Updater

☒ ADAM

ADAM Mean Decay 0.9

ADAM Variance Decay 0.999

Random Seed

☒ 2022

Regularization

☐ L1 0.0

Gradient Normalization

☐ Clip Element Wise Absolute Value

OK Apply Cancel ?

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Global Learning Rate

☒ 0.001

Global Drop-Out Rate

☐ 0.0

☐ Use Drop-Connect?

Global Weight Initialization Strategy

☐ XAVIER

Global Bias

☐ Learning Rate 0.1

☐ Initialization 0.0

OK Apply Cancel ?

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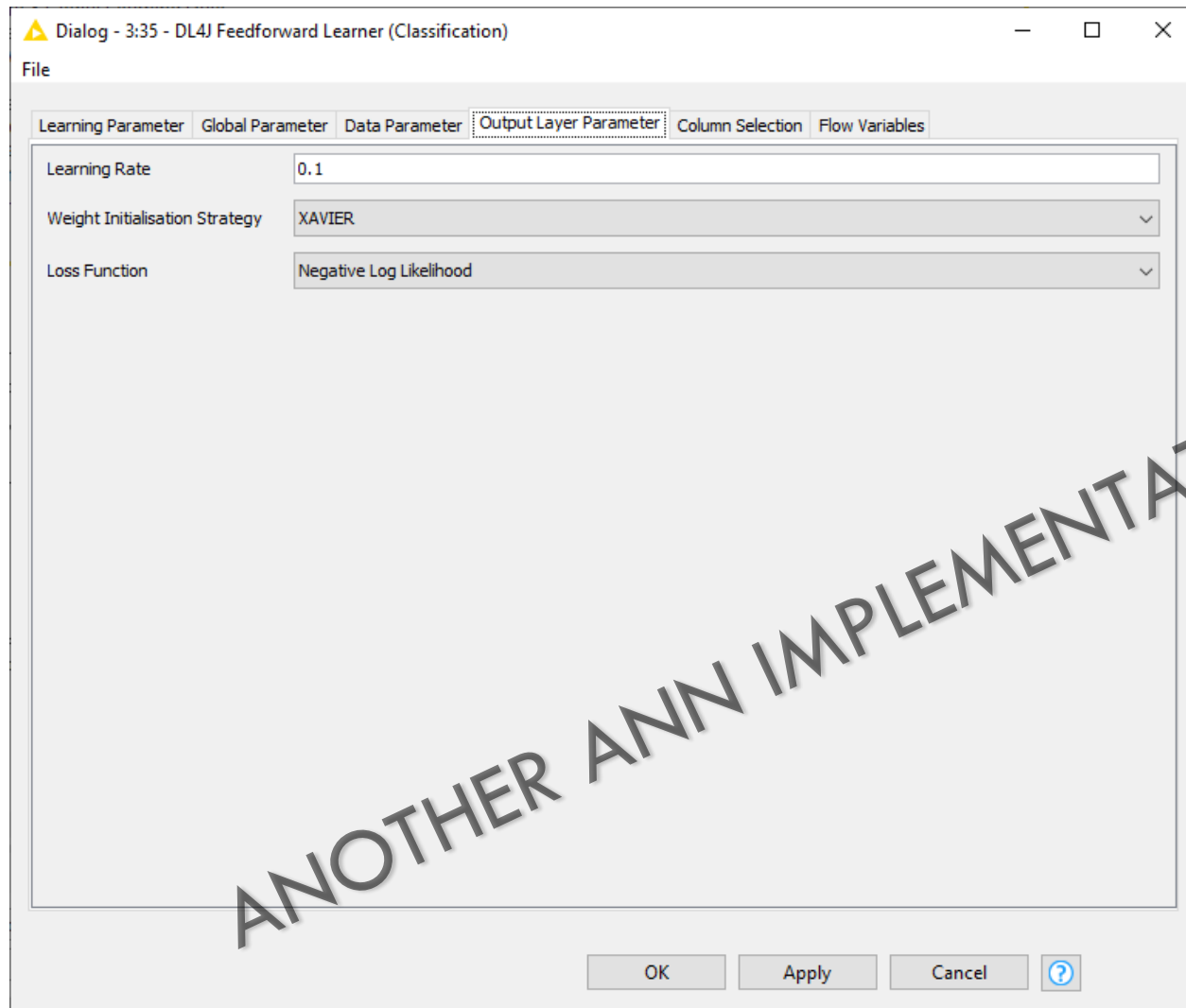
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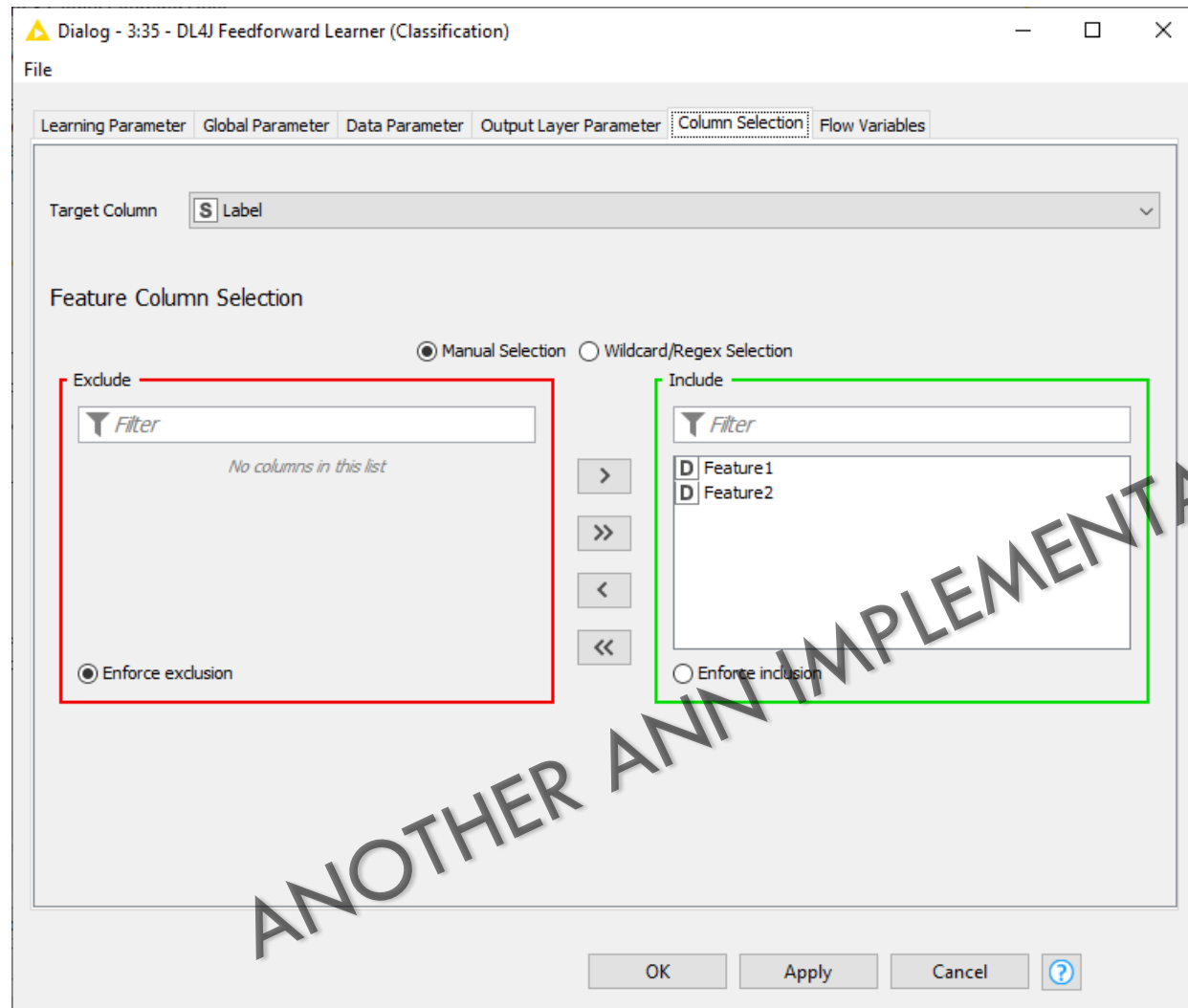
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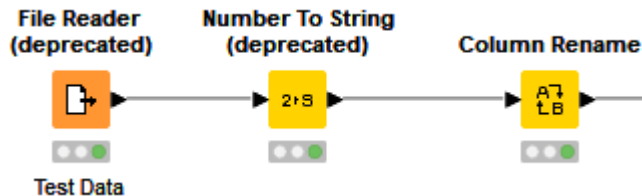
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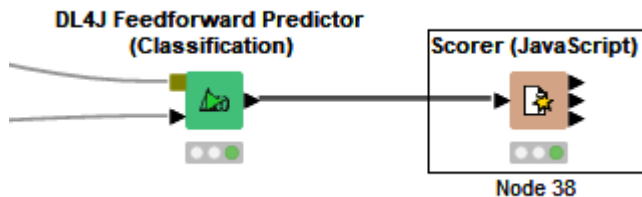
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Dialog - 3:37 - DL4J Feedforward Predictor (Classification)

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Predictor Settings Flow Variables Memory Policy

☐ Change prediction column name?

Prediction (Label)

☐ Append columns with class probabilities?

Suffix for probability columns

OK Apply Cancel ?

Confusion Matrix

Scorer View

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