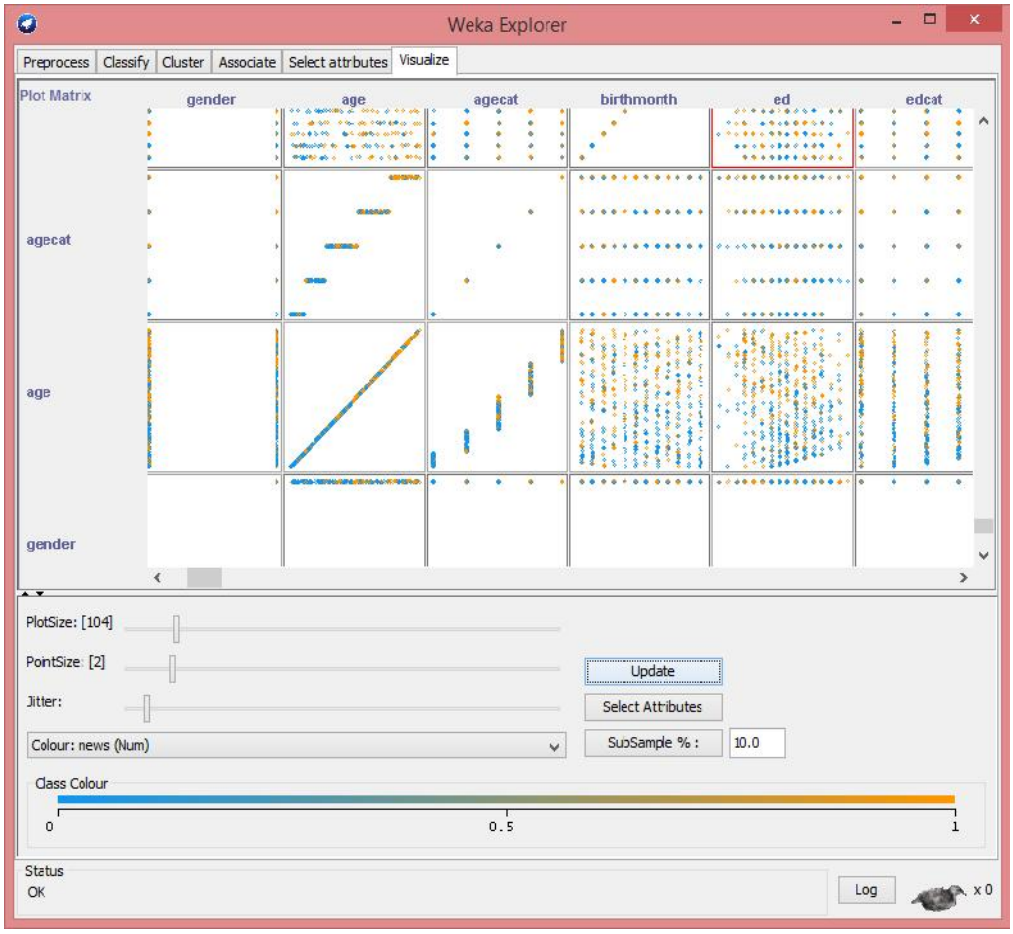
Lab Exercise Four
Clustering with WEKA Explorer

1. Open a terminal window from the left bar. Go to directory /opt/weka-3-6-13, then type command :
   java –jar weka.jar.

2. Fire up WEKA to get the GUI Chooser panel. Select Explorer from the four choices on the right side.

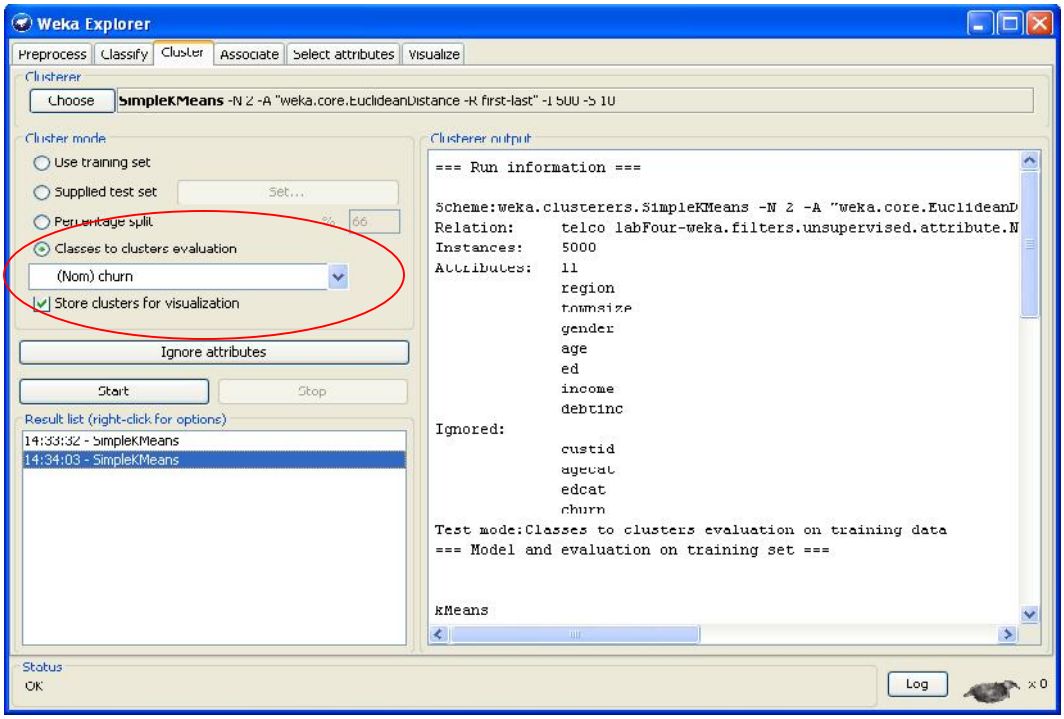
3. We are on ***Preprocess*** now. Click the ***Open file*** button to bring up a standard dialog through which you can select a file. Choose the **telco_labFour.csv** file.

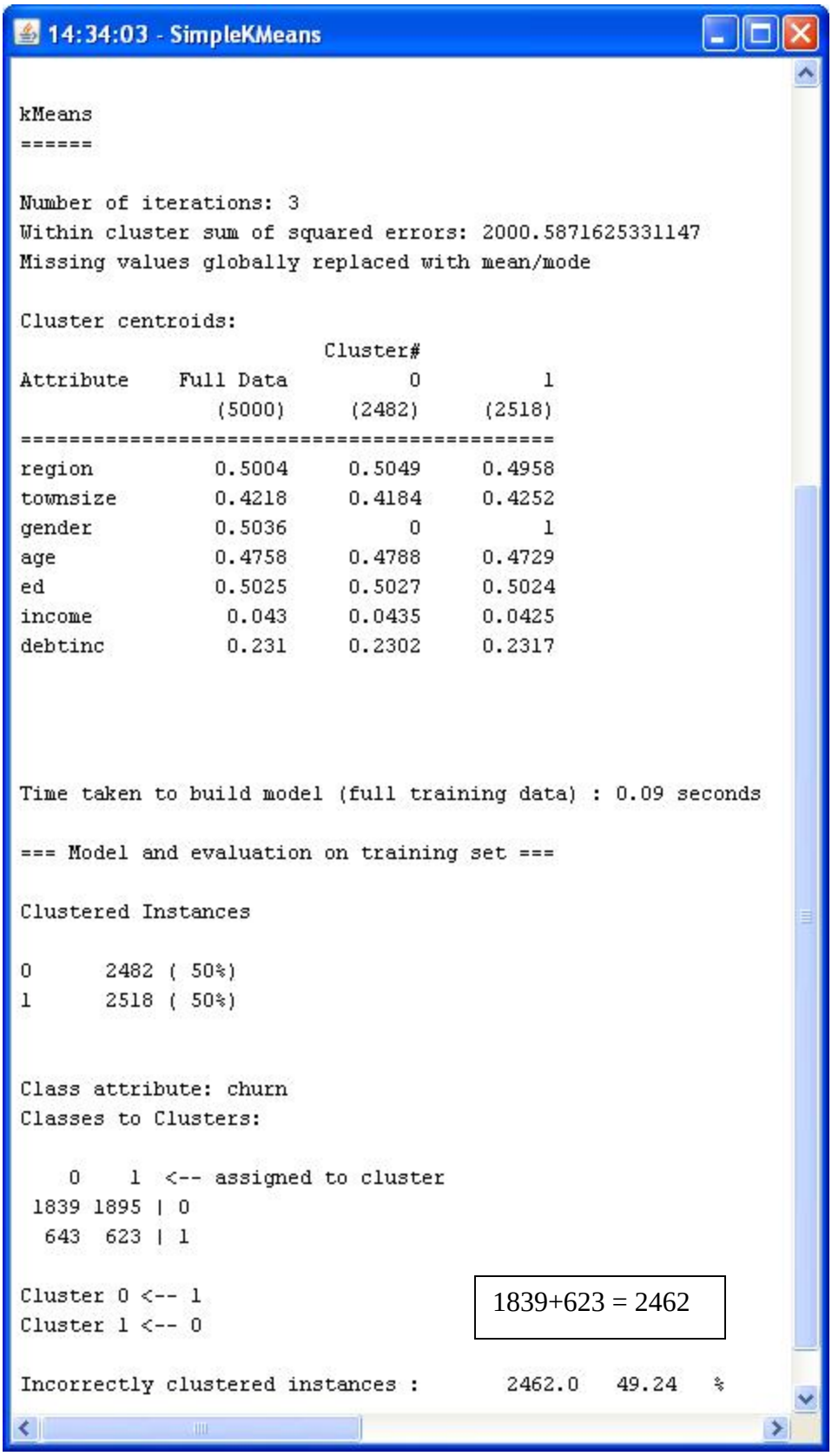
4. You could ignore irrelevant attributes during the clustering process, like **custIds**. To identify redundant attributes, we could check the correlation from Visualization of the data set under Visualize Tab. ***age*** and ***agecat*** are correlated. One of them should be ignored. We keep ***age*** for clustering purpose; also ***ed*** (removing ***edcat***), then we have 8 attributes left for clustering (we will ignore ***custIds***, ***agecat*** and ***edcat*** when we perform clustering.



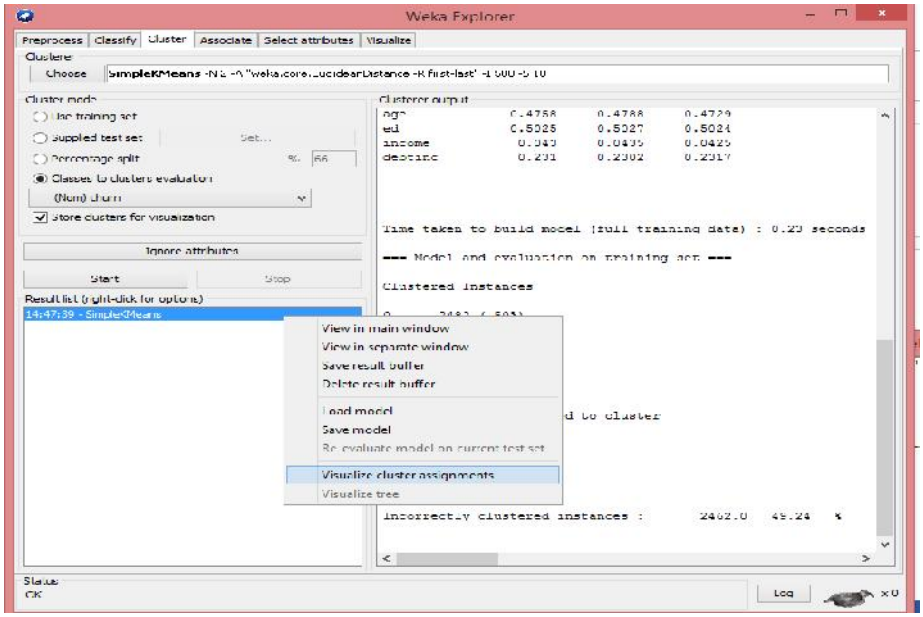
5. Before we do clustering with **Weka**, we need to normalize your numeric data values (use **Normalize** filter). Since we have the class label, we would like to set it to nominal before normalization. This information will be used to evaluate the clustering performance.

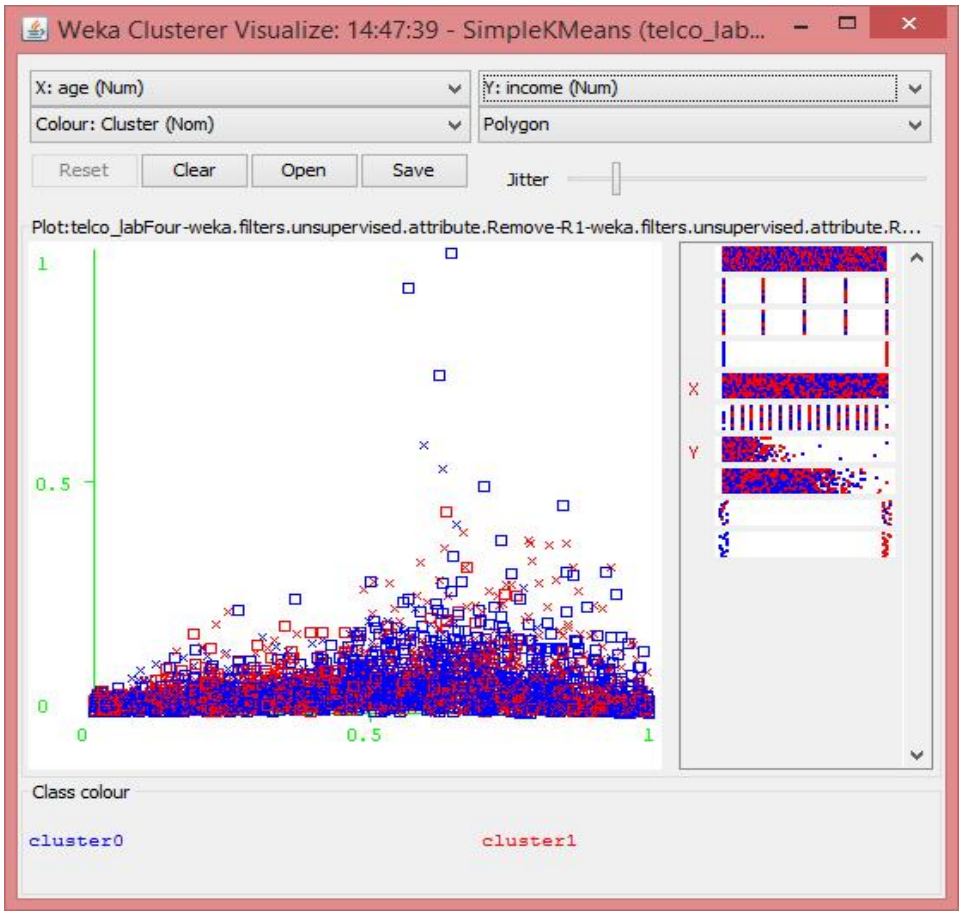
6. To perform clustering on the data set, click ***Cluster*** tab and choose ***SimpleKMeans*** algorithm. We set **k = 2** for this data set. Choose ***Classes to clusters evaluation*** and select the last attribute as class label. Check *Store clusters for visualization*. Click ***Ignore attributes*** and select ***custIds, agecat, edcat***, and the last attribute ***churn***. Then click **Start**.



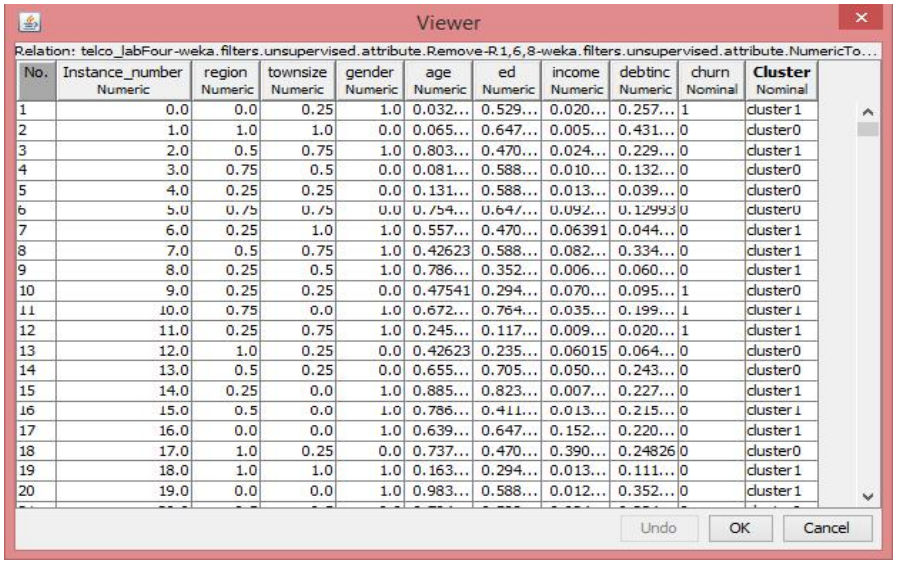

14:34:03 - SimpleKMeans
kMeans
======
Number of iterations: 3
Within cluster sum of squared errors: 2000.5871625331147
Missing values globally replaced with mean/mode
Cluster centroids:
Cluster#
Attribute Full Data 0 1
(5000) (2482) (2518)
region 0.5004 0.5049 0.4958
townsize 0.4218 0.4184 0.4252
gender 0.5036 0 1
age 0.4758 0.4788 0.4729
ed 0.5025 0.5027 0.5024
income 0.043 0.0435 0.0425
debtinc 0.231 0.2302 0.2317
Time taken to build model (full training data) : 0.09 seconds
=== Model and evaluation on training set ===
Clustered Instances
0 2482 (50%)
1 2518 (50%)
Class attribute: churn
Classes to Clusters:
0 1 <-- assigned to cluster
1839 1895 | 0
643 623 | 1
Cluster 0 <-- 1
Cluster 1 <-- 0
1839+623 = 2462
Incorrectly clustered instances : 2462.0 49.24 %

7. You could visualize the clustering results by right-clicking the result list and choose visualize clusters assignments. You could select different combination of two attributes as X and Y.

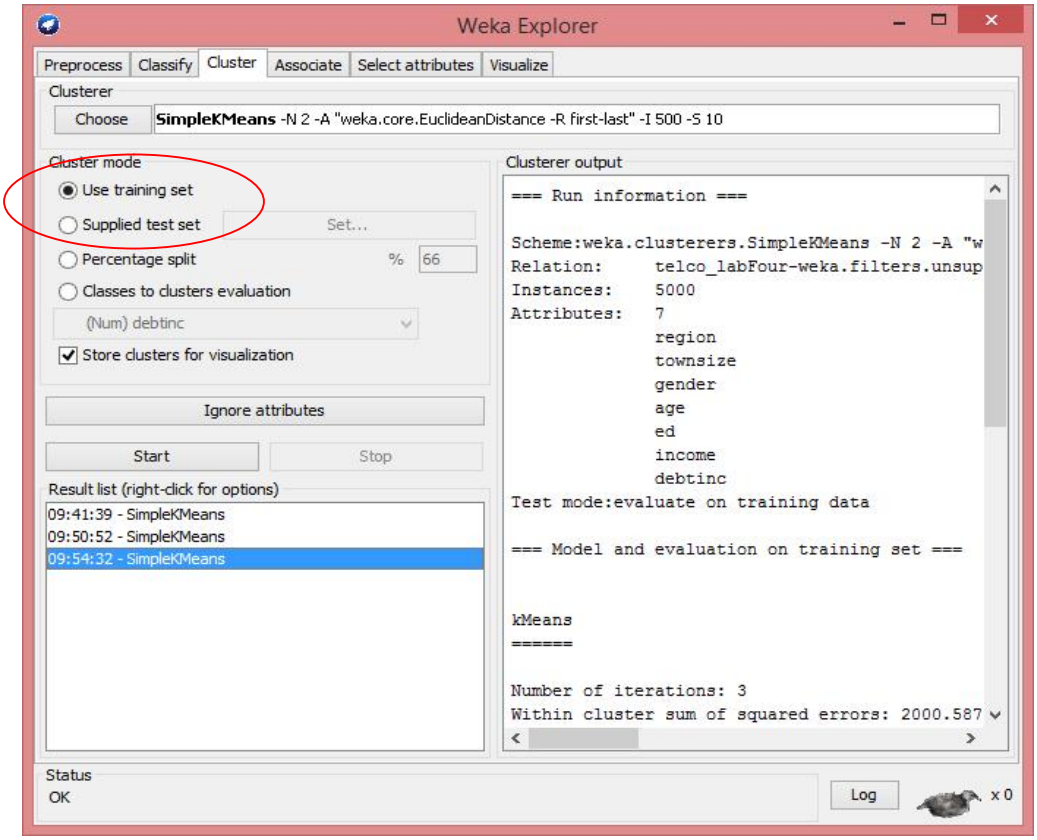


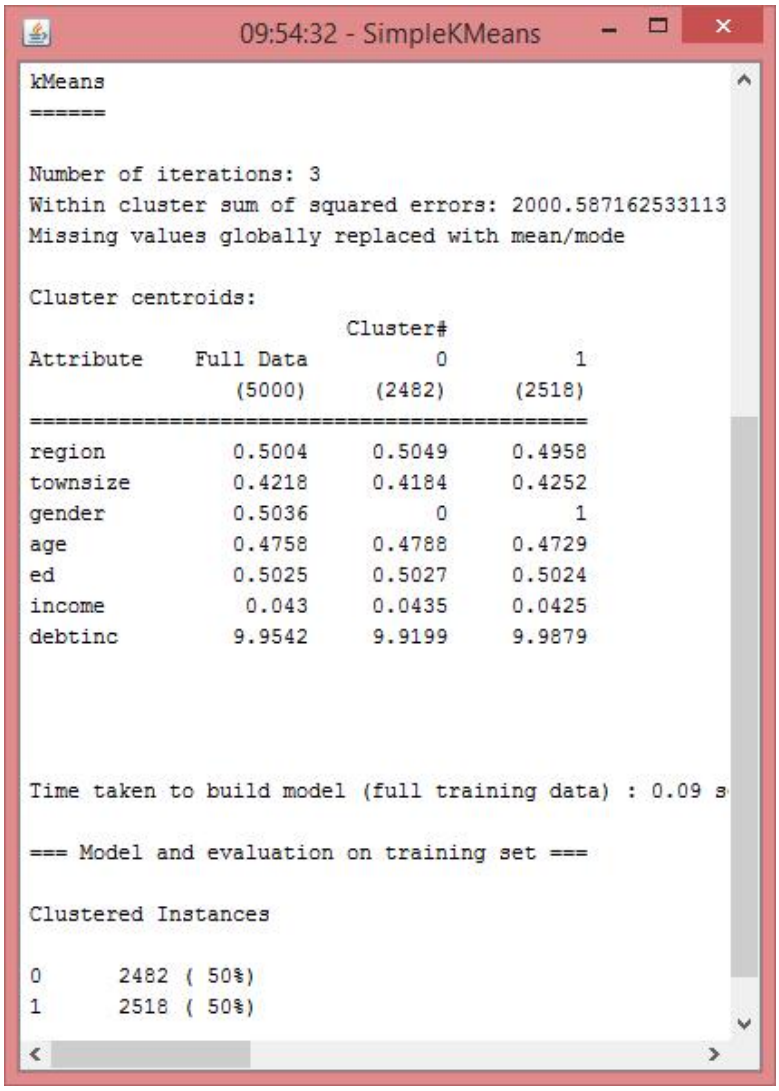


8. You could save the clustering results by clicking Save button on the Visualization panel. The results are saved in a **.arff** file. You could use Weka to open it and view the results.

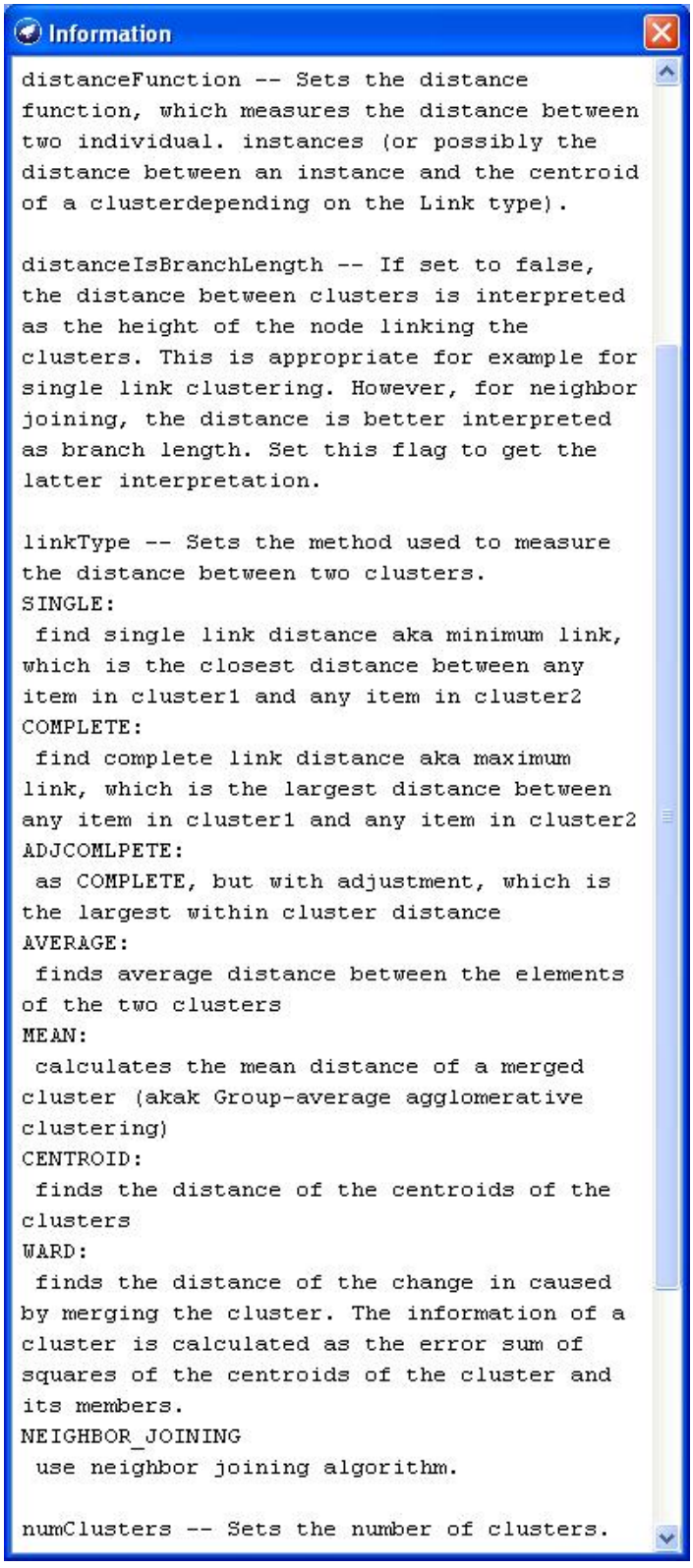


9. If the data set has no class labels, then when you perform clustering on the data set, choose Use Training Dataset as Cluster mode.



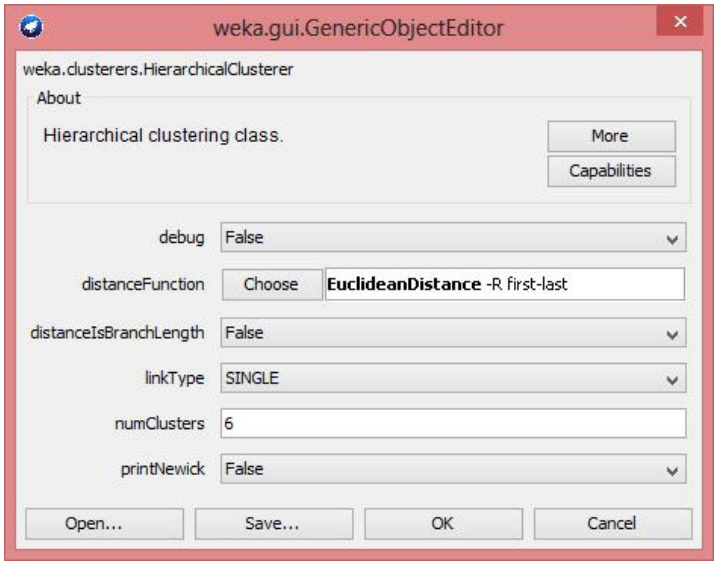


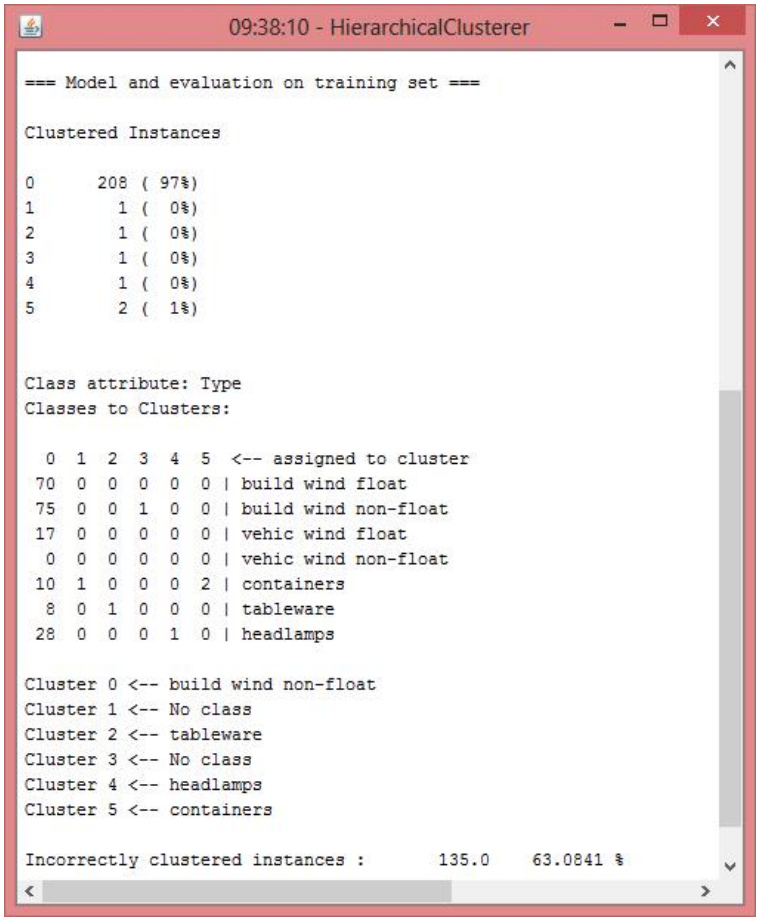
10. ***HierarchicalClusterer*** implements agglomerative (bottom-up) generation of hierarchical clusters. Several different link types, which are ways of measuring the distance between clusters, are available as options.



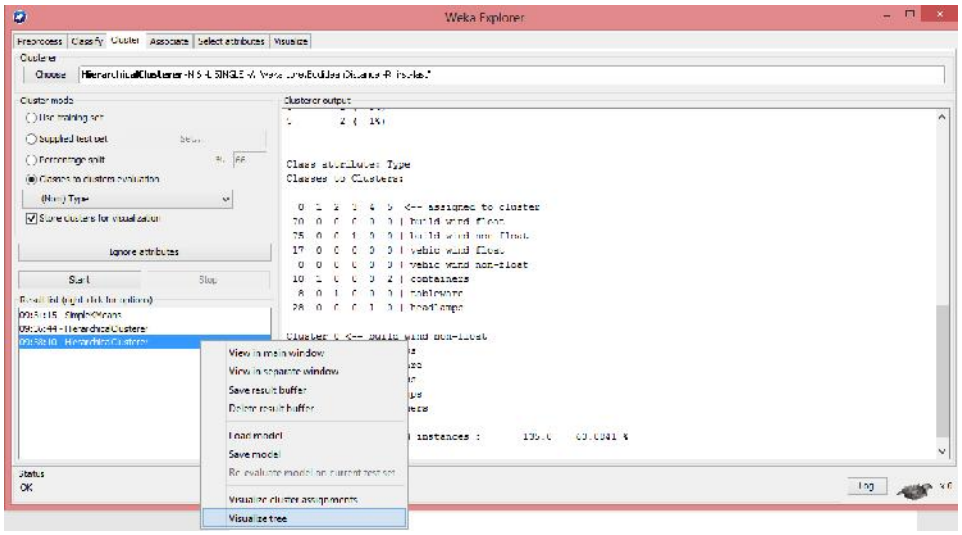
11. Since the Hierarchical Clustering algorithm builds a tree for the whole dataset, let's practice this algorithm on a smaller dataset due to the memory space

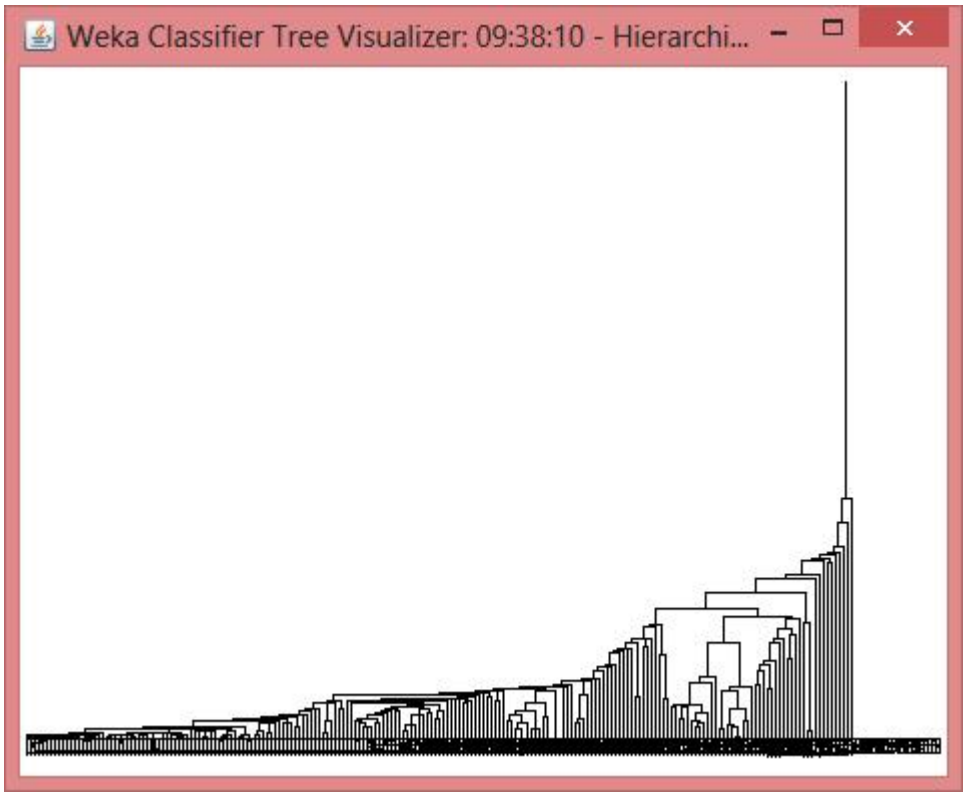
limitation. Open ***glass.arff*** dataset used in the previous lab, first normalize all the numeric values in the dataset into [0,1]. Then chose ***HierarchicalCluster*** cluster. Since this datset has 6 classes, we set ***numClusters*** as 6. To save time, we set ***printNewick*** as **False**.



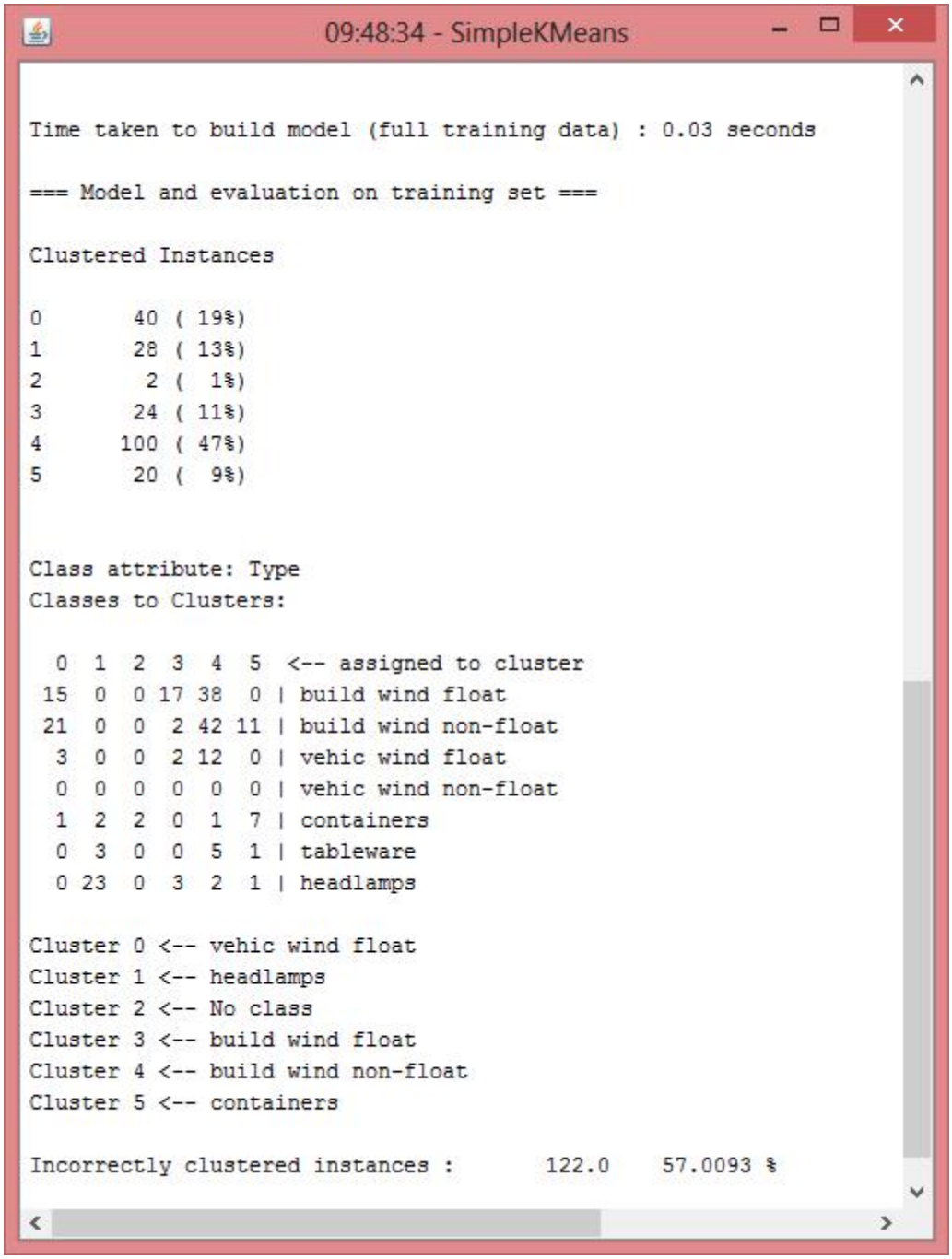


12. After you run the clustering algorithm, you could right click the clustering result and check its hierarchical tree by clicking Visualize Tree.

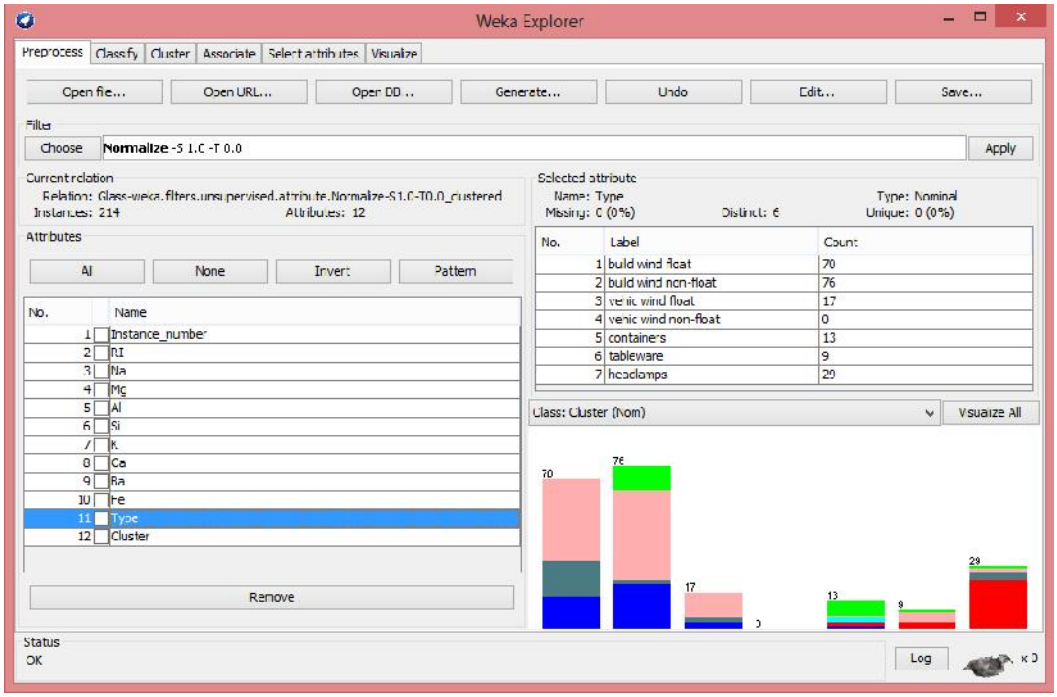




13. Since the performance of HierarchicalClustering is not good, we could run K-means algorithm on the same dataset and compare their performance. Do not forget to set the number of clusters to 6.



14. Save the clustering results as ***glass_kmeans_result.arff*** file and reopen it with Weka. Since clustering results are saved as the last column, they are considered as class labels for the datset. The original class labels are considered as a feature of the dataset, you could click the Type attribute to see the overlapping among clusters vs. classes.


Weka Explorer
Preprocess
Classify
Cluster
Associate
Select attributes
Visualize
Open file...
Open URL...
Open DB...
Generate...
Undo
Edit...
Save...
Filter
Choose
Normalize -S 1.0 -T 0.0
Apply
Current relation
Relation: Glass-weka.filters.unsupervised.attribute.Normalize-S1.0-T0.0_clustered
Instances: 214
Attributes: 12
Attributes
All
None
Invert
Pattern
No.
Name
1 Instance_number
2 RI
3 Na
4 Mg
5 Al
6 Si
7 K
8 Ca
9 Ba
10 Fe
11 Type
12 Cluster
Remove
Selected attribute
Name: Type
Missing: 0 (0%)
Distinct: 6
Type: Nominal
Unique: 0 (0%)
No.
Label
Count
1 build wind float 70
2 build wind non-float 76
3 vehic wind float 17
4 vehic wind non-float 0
5 containers 13
6 tableware 9
7 headlamps 29
Class: Cluster (Nom)
Visualize All
70
76
17
0
13
9
29
Status
OK
Log
x 0