

Datasets Link : <https://github.com/vijay-2155/Dm-lab>

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## EXPERIMENT 1 — Information Gain & Attribute Selection

### What is Information Gain?

Information Gain (IG) measures how much a feature reduces the uncertainty (entropy) of the class.  
Higher IG → more useful attribute.

### Where is it used?

- ✓ Decision Tree algorithms (ID3, C4.5)
- ✓ Feature selection
- ✓ Selecting the best splitting attribute

### Steps in WEKA

1. Open **Explorer** → **Preprocess**
  2. Load dataset
  3. Set **Class** attribute
  4. Go to **Select Attributes**
  5. Choose
    - Evaluator → **InfoGainAttributeEval**
    - Search → **Ranker**
  6. Click **Start**
  7. Read ranking to identify best attribute
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## EXPERIMENT 2 — J48 Decision Tree Classification

### What is J48?

J48 is WEKA's implementation of C4.5 decision tree.  
It splits data using Gain Ratio and creates human-readable rules.

## Where is it used?

- ✓ Classification problems
- ✓ Interpretable models
- ✓ Medical & Financial decisions

## Steps in WEKA

1. Explorer → Preprocess → load dataset
  2. Set **Class attribute**
  3. Go to **Classify** tab
  4. Select **trees** → **J48**
  5. Use **10-fold cross-validation**
  6. Click **Start**
  7. View decision tree and accuracy
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# EXPERIMENT 3 — ID3 Decision Tree

## What is ID3?

ID3 uses **Information Gain** to split nodes and works only on **categorical attributes**.

## Where is it used?

- ✓ Introductory ML
- ✓ Decision support systems
- ✓ Educational datasets

## Steps in WEKA

1. Install ID3:
    - Tools → Package Manager → install "simpleEducationalLearningSchemes"
  2. Load dataset with **nominal attributes**
  3. Set class
  4. Classify → choose **ID3**
  5. Click **Start**
  6. View tree and rules
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## EXPERIMENT 4 — k-Nearest Neighbor (k-NN / IBk)

### What is k-NN?

A lazy classifier that predicts class based on the **k most similar instances**.

### Where is it used?

- ✓ Pattern recognition
- ✓ Student performance
- ✓ Recommender systems

### Steps in WEKA

1. Open dataset
  2. Set class
  3. Classify → choose **lazy** → **IBk**
  4. Set **k = 1 or 3**
  5. Run **10-fold cross-validation**
  6. To classify a new record:
    - Test options → **Supplied test set**
    - Load test file
  7. Click **Start**
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## EXPERIMENT 5 — Naive Bayes Classification

### What is Naive Bayes?

A probabilistic classifier based on **Bayes' Theorem** that assumes **independence** of features.

### Where is it used?

- ✓ Text classification
- ✓ Spam filtering
- ✓ Medical diagnosis

### Steps in WEKA

1. Load dataset
2. Set class

3. Classify → choose **bayes** → **NaiveBayes**
  4. Enable **Output predictions** to view probabilities
  5. Click **Start**
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## EXPERIMENT 6 — Feature Selection on Iris Dataset

### What is Feature Selection?

Selecting the most important attributes to improve model accuracy and reduce complexity.

### Where is it used?

- ✓ Classification tasks
- ✓ Dimensionality reduction
- ✓ Performance optimization

### Steps in WEKA

1. Preprocess → load dataset
  2. Go to **Select Attributes**
  3. Choose:
    - Evaluator → **InfoGainAttributeEval** or **GainRatioAttributeEval**
    - Search → **Ranker**
  4. Click **Start**
  5. Note top-ranked features
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## EXPERIMENT 7 — Data Pre-processing (Customer Dataset)

### What is Pre-processing?

Cleaning and transforming data before modeling.

### Where used?

- ✓ All ML pipelines
- ✓ Before ANN, k-NN, SVM
- ✓ Handling missing values and scaling

## Steps in WEKA

1. Load dataset
  2. Apply filters:
    - **ReplaceMissingValues**
    - **Normalize** (0–1 scaling)
    - **Standardize** (Z-score)
    - **Discretize** (bin numeric to categorical)
    - **Remove** unwanted attributes
    - **NominalToBinary** for encoding
  3. Save cleaned dataset
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## EXPERIMENT 8 — Pre-processing on Iris Dataset

### Concept

Same as Experiment 7, but Iris dataset has:

- Numeric attributes
- 1 categorical label

## Steps in WEKA

1. Replace missing values
  2. Normalize numerical attributes
  3. Convert nominal (Species) into binary → **NominalToBinary**
  4. Save processed dataset
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## EXPERIMENT 9 — Backpropagation Neural Network (MLP)

### What is Backpropagation?

A training algorithm for neural networks that:

- Propagates error backward
- Updates weights

- Minimizes loss

## Where used?

- ✓ Deep learning
- ✓ Predicting performance
- ✓ Non-linear modeling

## Steps in WEKA

1. Load dataset
  2. Set **Class = Output attribute**
  3. Classify → choose:  
functions → MultilayerPerceptron
  4. Set:
    - HiddenLayers = a
    - Learning rate, momentum, epochs
  5. Click **Start**
  6. Analyze accuracy & confusion matrix
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# EXPERIMENT 10 — k-Means Clustering

## What is k-Means?

An unsupervised algorithm that groups data into **k clusters** based on similarity.

## Where used?

- ✓ Customer segmentation
- ✓ Pattern grouping
- ✓ Marketing analytics

## Steps in WEKA

1. Load dataset
2. Go to **Cluster** tab
3. Choose **SimpleKMeans**
4. Set:
  - k = desired number of clusters
  - Distance = Euclidean
5. Click **Start**

6. View centroids and cluster assignments

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## EXPERIMENT 11 — Apriori Association Rule Mining

### What is Apriori?

Algorithm to find:

- Frequent itemsets
- Association rules such as *Milk → Bread*

### Where used?

- ✓ Market basket analysis
- ✓ Retail
- ✓ E-commerce recommendations

### Steps in WEKA

1. Load dataset with Yes/No items
  2. Go to **Associate**
  3. Choose **Apriori**
  4. Set:
    - Min support
    - Min confidence
  5. Click **Start**
  6. View frequent itemsets & rules
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## EXPERIMENT 12 — FP-Growth

### What is FP-Growth?

A faster alternative to Apriori using:

- FP-tree
- Frequent pattern compression

## Where used?

- ✓ Very large transaction datasets
- ✓ Retail analytics
- ✓ Web usage mining

## Steps in WEKA

1. Load transactional dataset
  2. Associate → choose **FPGrowth**
  3. Set:
    - minSupport
    - numRules
  4. Click **Start**
  5. Analyze extracted rules
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# EXPERIMENT 13 — Compare J48, k-NN, Naive Bayes

## What is Model Comparison?

Evaluating multiple classifiers using:

- Accuracy
- Precision
- Recall
- Confusion matrix

## Why do it?

- ✓ Identify best algorithm
- ✓ Understand data behavior
- ✓ Improve prediction quality

## Steps in WEKA

1. Load dataset
2. For each classifier:
  - Classify → choose
    - **J48**
    - **IBk** (k-NN)

- **NaiveBayes**
  - Use **10-fold cross-validation**
  - Record:
    - Accuracy
    - Precision
    - Recall
    - Confusion matrix
3. Compare results in a table
  4. Write conclusion on best algorithm
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