

ESERCITAZIONE PIATTAFORMA WEKA

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Outline

- Weka: a brief recap
 - ARFF Format
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 - Precision, Recall, F1, Accuracy
- Question Classification
 - Text Mining with Weka

Intro WEKA

- Collection of ML algorithms - open-source Java package
 - <http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/ml/weka/>
- Documentation
 - http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/ml/weka/index_documentation.html
- Schemes for classification include:
 - Decision trees, rule learner
 - Naive bayes
 - KNN
 - SVM
- For classification, Weka allows train/test split or Cross-fold validation

ARFF File

- Require declarations of @RELATION, @ATTRIBUTE and @DATA
 - @RELATION declaration associates a name with the dataset
 - @RELATION <relation-name>
 - @ATTRIBUTE declaration specifies the name and type of an attribute
 - @ATTRIBUTE <attribute-name> <datatype>
- Datatype can be numeric, nominal, string or date

```
@ATTRIBUTE sepallength NUMERIC
@ATTRIBUTE petalwidth NUMERIC
@ATTRIBUTE class {Setosa,Versicolor,Virginica}
```
- @DATA declaration is a single line denoting the start of the data segment

```
@DATA
1.4, 0.2, Setosa
1.4, ?, Versicolor
```

Performance measures

- Load IRIS dataset
 - <http://www.cas.mcmaster.ca/~cs4tf3/iris.arff>
- Execute a Decision Tree (J48) algorithm on the IRIS dataset, evaluating using:
 - Cross-validation
 - Percentage split

In output notice:

- Confusion matrix
- True positive, true negative, false positive, false negative
- Precision, recall, f1-measure, accuracy
- Visualize the resulting decision tree

Question Classification

- Question classification consists in assigning a question to a class reflecting the intention of the question.

Example: “*What is the width of a football field?*” → Number

- This dataset contains data used in the work presented in [1], that also provides question class definitions, as well as the description of the training and testing sets.

[1] Xin Li, Dan Roth, Learning Question Classifiers. COLING'02, Aug., 2002.

The QC dataset

- A QC dataset is available at:
<http://cogcomp.cs.illinois.edu/Data/QA/QC/>
- Train dataset: 5,452 questions
- Test dataset: 500 questions
- Two settings:
 - Coarse-Grained: 6 classes ← We will focus on this setting
 - Fine-grained: 50 classes
- You will find two .arff file containing this dataset on the course page.

The QC dataset in arff

```
@RELATION coarse_qc_train
```

```
@ATTRIBUTE question STRING
```

```
@ATTRIBUTE __class__ {NUM,LOC,HUM,ENTY,DESC,ABBR}
```

```
@DATA
```

```
"How did serfdom develop in and then leave Russia ?","DESC"
```

```
"What films featured the character Popeye Doyle ?","ENTY"
```

```
"How can I find a list of celebrities ' real names ?","DESC"
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"What fowl grabs the spotlight after the Chinese Year of the Monkey ?","ENTY"
```

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"What is the full form of .com ?","ABBR"
```

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```

Example

Class

- How can we apply a learning algorithm over a question as a string?

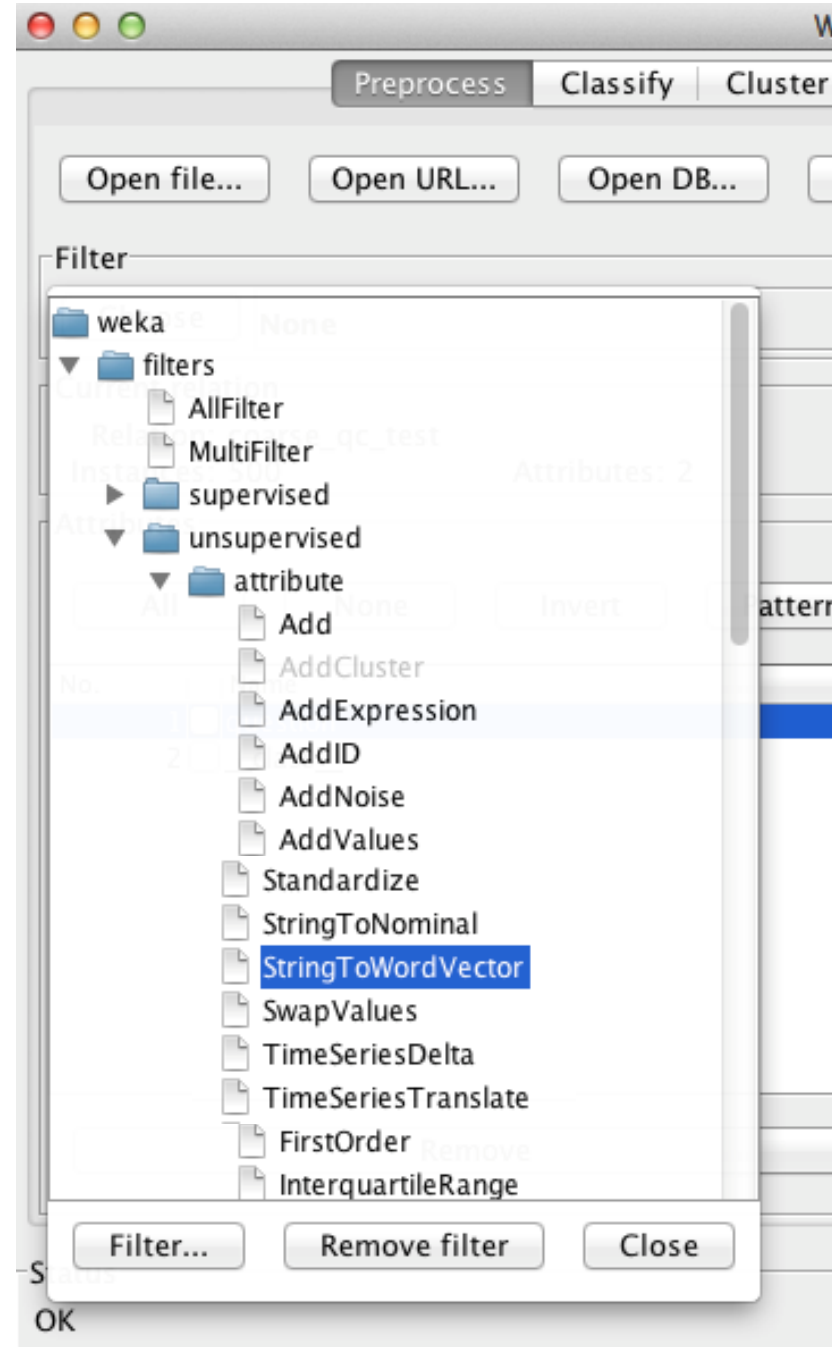
The StringToWordVector filter

- The filter

`weka.filters.unsupervised.attribute.StringToWordVector`

allows converting a dataset of strings into a dataset of vectors

- The representation space has as many dimensions as words occurring in the dataset
- A dimension of the vector will contain a non-zero element if the text contains the corresponding word



The `StringToWordVector` filter: usefull options

- `TFTransform/IDFTransform`: they allow estimating the term frequency (*tf*) and inverse document frequency (*idf*).
- `lowerCaseTokens`: If set then all the word tokens are converted to lower case before being added to the dictionary.
- `minTermFreq`: Sets the minimum term frequency: all words whose frequency is lower than `minTermFreq` are ignored.
- `stemmer`: The stemming algorithm to use on the words (e.g., "*argue*", "*argued*", "*argues*", "*arguing*", and "*argus*" reduce to the stem "*argu*").
- `tokenizer`: The tokenizing algorithm to use on the strings to split them into words.
- `useStoplist`: Ignores all the words that are on the stoplist, if set to `true`.
- `stopwords`: The file containing the stopwords (if this is a directory then the default ones are used).

Acquiring a QC classifier

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