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Comparative Analysis of Data Mining Tools and Classification Techniques using WEKA in Medical Bioinformatics

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Abstract

The availability of huge amounts of data resulted in great need of data mining technique in order to generate useful knowledge. In the present study we provide detailed information about data mining techniques with more focus on classification techniques as one important supervised learning technique. We also discuss WEKA software as a tool of choice to perform classification analysis for different kinds of available data. A detailed methodology is provided to facilitate utilizing the software by a wide range of users. The main features of WEKA are 49 data preprocessing tools, 76 classification/regression algorithms, 8 clustering algorithms, 3 algorithms for finding association rules, 15 attribute/subset evaluators plus 10 search algorithms for feature selection. WEKA extracts useful information from data and enables a suitable algorithm for generating an accurate predictive model from it to be identified. Moreover, medical bioinformatics analyses have been performed to illustrate the usage of WEKA in the diagnosis of Leukemia.

Keywords: Data mining, WEKA, Bioinformatics, Knowledge discovery, Gene Expression.

1. INTRODUCTION

Computers have brought about significant improvements to technology that lead to the creation of huge volumes of data. Moreover, the advancement of the healthcare database management systems creates a huge number of medical databases. Creating knowledge and management of large amounts of heterogeneous data has become a major field of research, namely data mining. Data mining, "a major way of creating knowledge", is a useful way of studying medicine, genetics, bioinformatics, education [1].

Data Mining is a process of identifying novel, potentially useful, valid and ultimately understandable patterns in data [1]. Data mining techniques can be classified into both unsupervised and supervised learning techniques. Unsupervised learning technique is not guided by variable and does not create a hypothesis before analysis. Based on the results, a model will be built. A common unsupervised technique is clustering [2]. Supervised learning technique requires the building of a model that is used in prior performing analysis. Supervised learning techniques that are used in both medical and clinical research are Classification, Statistical regression and Association rules [3].

In the present study, we will focus on the usage of classification techniques in the field of medical bioinformatics. Classification is the most commonly applied data mining technique, and employs a set of pre-classified examples to develop a model that can classify the population of records at large. The major goal of the classification technique is to predict the target class accurately for each case in the data. There are several classification mechanisms that are used in analyzing medical data. These include Decision trees, K-Nearest Neighbor (KNN), Bayesian network, Neural networks, Fuzzy logic and Support vector machines.

2. COMPARISONS OF CLASSIFICATION TECHNIQUES

Table 1 summarizes the theoretical comparison among different classification techniques [4][5][35].



Table 1. Theoretical comparison on classification techniques

	Fundamentals	Work of classifier	Phase of work	Pros	Cons	Applications	
Decision Tree	Decision trees are powerful, straight forward and easy classification algorithms. Decision tree algorithms represented by rule if-then- else conditions to classify the data items.		Tree building Tree Pruning	Construction does not require any domain knowledge. It Can handle high dimensional data. Implement in parallel or serial fashion.	Output attribute must be categorical Limited to one output attribute	In Decision making systems, teaching, research area etc.	
Bayesian Network	Bayesian networks are a powerful probabilistic representation. It is graphical model. It is also called belief networks.	training data the conditional probability of each attribute A _i given the class label C.	Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG) Conditional Probabilities parameteres	Naïve Bayesian classifier simplifies the computations. Exhibit high accuracy and speed when applied to large databases.	The assumptions made in class conditional independence. Lack of available probability data.	In computational biology and biology and bioinformatics medicine, document classification, information retrieval, semantic search, image processing, data fusion, etc.	
K-Nearest Neighbor	K-Nearest Neighbor is one of the best known distance based algorithms. It is considered as statistical learning algorithms. It is lazy learning Algorithm.	When given an unknown sample, a k-nearest neighbor classifier searches the pattern space for the k training samples that are closest to the unknown sample.	No Phases	Analytically tractable. Uses local information, which can yield highly adaptive behavior. Implement in parallel and simple.	Large storage requirements. Highly susceptible to the curse of dimensionality. Slow in classifying test tuples.	In pattern recognition, Image databases, Internet marketing, Cluster analysis etc.	

3. COMPARISONS OF DATA MINING TOOLS

There are several available types of software that employ classification techniques such as Rapid Miner[6][7], KNIME [6][7], Tanagra [6][7], Orange [6][7] and WEKA [6][7]. Pharmine Company experts in data mining have summarized a report on the comparison of data mining tools [6][7]. Table 2 depicts the Data Mining Tool Comparison.

Table 2. Data mining tools Comparative Analysis

Softwares	Purpose	Features	Users Descriptor Selection			Operating System Support	Characteristics
RapidMiner	Powerful, very frexible tool for ETL and data analysis. More than 1500 operations covering broad speciming for the property of the property of the property of Erzel, Acossa, Crade, MS 300, lingrise, etc. Deployable and dependable solutions and applications, Usable as stand-alone, server, Java library.	Most comprehensive data mining soution for all steps of the data mining process from data loading and transformation to describle and predictive modelling, model evaluation, depolyment, and evaluation as well as reporting. My returns of Pradithiera en les enormous feebably and intuctional breacht, which supports all kinds of data mining, lest mining, use mining, audio mining, there series analysis and reversaling and predictive amplices basks. This feebably and rapid deployment in projects lead to really fast project implementations.	Large number of users market research, marketing, sales, CRM. Manufacturing, Telecommunication companies, financial services, pharma industries.	Have	Full facilities	Linux,Mac, Windows	MySQL, Access, ODBC, JDBC, ARFF, CSV
KNIME	Konstanz Information Miner has been developed using rigorous software engineering practices, user friendly, comprehensive open-course data integration, processing, analysis, exploration platform.	modular data exploration plantform	Industry and Academia professional.	No	only limited error measurement methods	Linux,Mac, Windows	MySQL, Access, ODBC, JDBC, ARFF, CSV
Tanagra <u> </u>	It is the successor of SIPINA which implements various supervised learning algorithms, especially an interactive and visual construction of decision trees. Developed by Rioco Relationalise, Data mining methods such as Explorationy data analysis, statistical learning and machine learning.	Pedagogical tool for learning programming lectriques.	Students and Researchers.	Have but valid only for logistic regression	No capability of validating independent validation set	Windows	ARFF, Excel
Orange	Open source data visualization and analysis for notice and experts. Data mirring through visual programming or Piption scripting. Compromets for machine learning, Add-ons for bioInformation and led mining. Psacked with features for data analytics. Orange as a library of C++ components and command fine utilities. Corange was first conceived as a C++ library of machine learning algorithms and related procedures, such as preprocessing, sampling.	Orange is packed with different visualizations, from scatterplots, but charls, these, networks and heatmaps. The power of Orange is not as much in its moratine isaming aporthme, for taller in the way in which they are packed and exposed to Python scatting in a singler form. Beyond that, an even stronger feature of Orange is fits graphical such refretase and values programming environment. We are interestly working on a new version of Orange in which we multiple that the orange of the programming the programming or the programming or the programming that the programming the programming that the programming the programming that the programming the programming that the programming that the progra	Orange has been used in science, industry, and teaching. Scientifically, it is used as a teating pattern for new machine learning algorithms, as well as for implementing new computational approaches in molecular biology and bioinformatics.	No	Not capable of saving the model so have to rebuild model for every future data set	Unux,Mac, Windows	MySQL
WEKA	Developed at University of Walkato in New Zealand. Written in Java. Contains large collection of state-of- the-art machine learning and data mining algorithms.	Contains tools for regression, classification, clustering, association rules, visualization and data pre-processing.	Popular with Academic and Industrial researchers, widely used for teaching purposes.	Have but not part of knowledge flow.	Not capable of saving the model so have to rebuild model for every future data set.	Windows	ARFF, CSV, Excel

Among these, the WEKA tool has achieved the highest performance improvements in accuracy [6][7]. Importantly, WEKA can handle the problem of the multiclass data set, which is not the case in other data mining tools. Moreover, Applicability (Run specific algorithm on a selected tool) is highest in WEKA. Furthermore, WEKA is able to run 6 selected classifiers using all data sets.

4. WEKA DATA MINING SOFTWARE

In this manuscript we present WEKA software as useful tool in data mining techniques. Weka includes several machine learning algorithms for data mining tasks. The algorithms can either be called from the users own Java code or be applied directly to the ready dataset. Weka contains general purpose environment tools for data preprocessing, regression, classification, association rules, clustering, feature selection and visualization.

Moreover, Weka software is suitable for several bioinformatics analyses. It has been used to probe selection of gene expression arrays [8], automated protein data annotation [9][10], automatic cancer diagnosis [13], plant genotype discrimination [14], classifying gene expression profiles [11] and computational model for frame-shifting sites [15] and extracting rules from them [13].



WEKA includes algorithms for learning different types of model, feature selection schemes and pre-processing methods. Weka facilitates the comparison of different solution strategies based on the same evaluation method and identifying the best strategy for solving the problem at hand.

The following is a detailed description for WEKA software.

4.1 INTERFACES TO WEKA

There are four interfaces to WEKA which can be started from the main GUI Chooser window, as shown in Figure 1.



Fig 1 WEKA GUI chooser

All the learning techniques in Weka can be accessed from the simple command line (CLI), as part of shell scripts, or from within other Java programs using the Weka API. WEKA commands directly execute using CLI.

Weka also contains an alternative graphical user interface, called "Knowledge Flow," that can be used instead of the Explorer. Knowledge Flow is a drag-and-drop interface, and supports incremental learning. It caters for a more process oriented view of data mining. Individual learning components (represented by Java beans) can be connected graphically to create a "flow" of information.

Finally, there is a third graphical user interface—the "Experimenter"—which is designed for experiments that compare the performance of (multiple) learning schemes on (multiple) datasets. Experiments can be distributed across multiple computers running remote experiment servers and conducting statistical tests between learning schemes.

4.2 THE WEKA EXPLORER

Explorer is the main interface in Weka, as shown in figure 2. New users can use it in running simulations, data visualization and preprocessing. Through the explorer users can load data in various formats ARFF, CSV, C4.5, and Library.



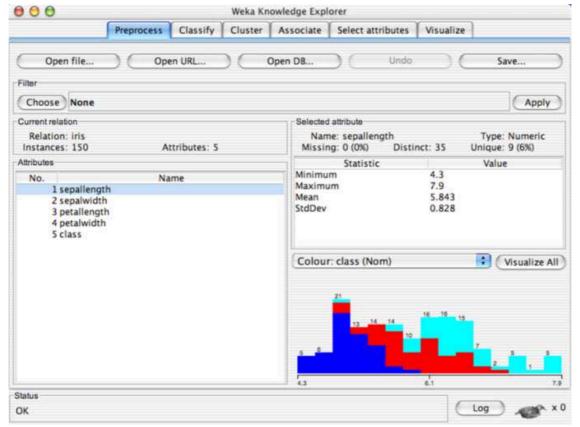


Fig 2 Weka Knowledge Explorer

WEKA Explorer has six (6) tabs, which can be used to perform tasks such as preprocess, classify, associate etc. as shown in figure 3.

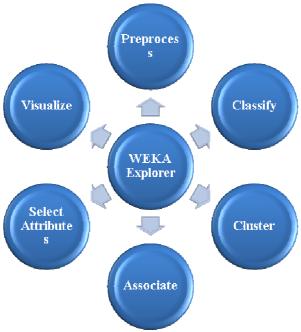


Fig 3 Tabs in WEKA Explorer

4.2.1 Preprocess: Preprocessing tools in WEKA are called "Filters". The Preprocess retrieves data from a file, SQL database or URL (For very large datasets sub sampling may be required since all the data were stored in main memory). Data can be preprocessed using one of Weka's preprocessing tools. The Preprocess tab shows a histogram with statistics for the currently selected attribute. Histograms for all attributes can be viewed



simultaneously in a separate window. Some of the filters behave differently, depending on whether a class attribute has been set or not. A filter box is used for setting up the required filter. WEKA contains filters for Discretization, normalization, resampling, attribute selection, attribute combination [16].

- **4.2.2 Classify:** Classify tools can be used to perform further analysis on preprocessed data. If the data demands a classification or regression problem, it can be processed using Classify tab. A classification model produced on the full trained data. WEKA consists of all major learning techniques for classification and regression: Bayesian classifiers, decision trees, rule sets, support vector machines, logistic and multi-layer perceptrons, linear regression, and nearest-neighbor methods. It also contains "meta-learners" like bagging, stacking, boosting, and schemes that perform automatic parameter tuning using cross-validation, cost-sensitive classification, etc. Learning algorithms can be evaluated using cross-validation or a hold-out set, and Weka provides standard numeric performance measures (e.g. accuracy, root mean squared error), as well as graphical means for visualizing classifier performance (e.g. ROC curves and precision-recall curves). It is possible to visualize the predictions of a classification or regression model, enabling the identification of outliers, and to load and save models that have been generated [16].
- **4.2.3 Cluster:** WEKA contains "clusters" for finding groups of instances in datasets. Cluster tools give access to Weka's clustering algorithms, such as *k*-means, a heuristic incremental hierarchical clustering scheme. Cluster assignments can be visualized and compared to actual clusters, defined by one of the attributes in the data [16].
- **4.2.4 Associate:** Associate tools have generating association rules algorithms. It can be used to identify relationships between groups of attributes in the data [16].
- **4.2.5 Select attributes:** More interesting in the context of bioinformatics is the fifth tab, which offers methods for identifying subsets of attributes that are predictive of target attribute in the data. Weka contains several methods for searching through the space of attribute subsets, evaluation measures for attributes and attribute subsets. Search methods such as a best-first search, genetic algorithms, forward selection, and attributes ranking. Different search methods and evaluation methods both may be combined, making the system very flexible [16].
- **4.2.6 Visualize:** Visualization tools show a matrix of scatter plots. Practically visualization is very much useful which helps to determine learning problem difficulties. WEKA visualizes single dimension (1D) for single attributes and double dimension (2D) for pairs of attributes. It is to visualize the current relation in 2D plots. Any matrix element can be selected and enlarged in a separate window, where one can zoom in on subsets of the data and retrieve information about individual data points. A "Jitter" option to deal with nominal attributes for exposing obscured data points is also provided [16].

5. WEKA FOR MEDICAL BIOINFORMATICS

Bioinformatics is a field of research that focuses on a large scale understanding and organization of the information associated with biological molecules [17]. Generally, Bioinformatics research involves problems that can be manifested as machine learning tasks. These include classification or regression, clustering and feature selection [18].

The Weka data mining suite offers algorithms for these types of biological problems. The Weka data mining suite has been long used in many bioinformatics applications such as protein data annotation in the SWISS-PROT database, with satisfactory results in term of coverage and confidence [10][9]). Moreover, naïve Bayes and artificial neural networks, two learning algorithms, have been used in probe selection for gene-expression arrays [8]. In addition, Weka data mining was also used in the discovery of significant rules for classifying cancer diagnosis data [13]. Furthermore, Weka data mining has been employed in modeling frameshift mutation sites in eukaryotes [15], use of metabolomics in plant genotype discrimination [14] and classifying gene groups according to their expression profiles [11].

Furthermore, the available Weka framework offers a broad variety of useful tools for machine learning purposes. For instance, the BioWeka project extends the Weka framework with additional bioinformatics functionalities, including new input bioinformatics formats and alignments that facilitate its usage in combination with other bioinformatics tools. These include, MAGE-ML [19] and CSV compatible formats for gene expression data, FASTA [20], EMBL [21], Swiss-Prot [22], GenBank [23] for the storage of biological sequences in ASCII files, InterProScan [24] for the annotation of sequence patterns.

In fact, with rapid progress in the fields of genomics, proteomics, Metabolomics, metabonomics, metabolite profiling, gene expression, microbiomics and many others, the need for data analysis and mining techniques will increase. Since data mining techniques provide the tools required to gain a better understanding and deeper insight that allows biological problems to be solved [25][26][27].

DNA microarray technology and next-generation sequencing (NGS) technology are two different platforms for gene expression measurement [28]. The Weka machine learning environment, two classical decision tree-building techniques (J48 and SimpleCART) along with an advanced alternating decision tree (ADTree), were used to build decision tree models to study the gene-ranking stability estimation of overlapping genes or classic



gene set enrichment analysis. This method revealed very accurate descriptive models that capture the coenrichment of gene sets, which are differently enriched in the compared data sets [29]. In addition, the random forest method in the WEKA platform use used in study short read data from small RNA-seq experiments, another NGS technology. This provided a wide range of analysis features, including quality control, read normalization, small non-coding RNAs (ncRNA) quantification and the prediction of putative ncRNA candidates [30]. Moreover, decision trees were generated using the j48 implementation of the C4.5 decision tree algorithm from the Weka machine learning workbench was used to analyze deep sequencing data (NSG) in order study bacterial communities constitute bacterial vaginosis (BV) or the normal vaginal microbiota among this population, and how the microbiota associated with BV responds to antibiotic treatment [31].

Molecular phylogeny is a fundamental approach to study species evolution and gene function. Many phylogenetic analysis programs are available, but each program often requires a particular type of input sequence format. A variety of sequence formats are available for phylogenetic analysis, such as FASTA and Phylip. The data mining tool WEKA is used in converting format through Relational File Format (ARFF), a native format of WEKA [32]. Moreover, the WEKA platform has also been used in inferring phylogenetic relationships among biological species [33].

6. EXPERIMENTAL WORKS AND RESULT

An experimental comparison of classification techniques is carried out in WEKA. Here, we have used a **"leukemia_all_72x7129"** database for all the three techniques, and it is easy to differentiate their parameters on a single instance. This **"leukemia_all_72x7129"** database has 7130 attributes and 72 instances.

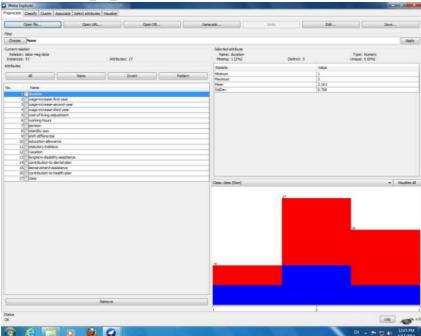


Fig 4 WEKA 3.6.9 - Explorer window

Figure 4 shows the explorer window in the WEKA tool with the "leukemia_all_72x7129" dataset loaded; we can also analyze the data in the form of a graph, as shown above in the visualization section with blue and red code. In WEKA, all data is considered as instances attributes in the data. For easier analysis and evaluation, simulation results are partitioned into several sub items. In the first part, correctly and incorrectly classified instances will be partitioned in numeric and percentage value, and subsequently, Kappa statistics mean absolute error and root mean squared error will be at a numeric value only.

This dataset is measured and analyzed with 10 folds cross validation under a specified classifier, as shown in figure 5. Here, it computes all required parameters on given instances with the classifiers' respective accuracy and prediction rate. Based on Table 3 we can clearly see that the highest accuracy is 98.6111% for Bayesian and the lowest is 81.9444% for Decision tree. The time taken to build a model for Bayesian is 0.17 seconds and for Decision tree.J48 is 0.62 seconds. In fact, in this experimental comparison, we can say that Bayesian is the best of the three, as it is more accurate and less time consuming.



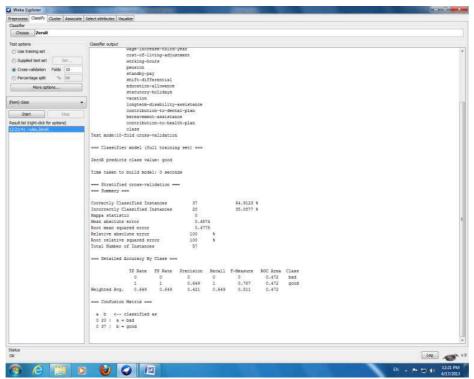


Fig 5 Classifier Result

Table 3. Simulation Result of each Algorithm

ATTRIBUTE: CLASS

Classifier (Total Instances, 57)	Algorithm Implemented	Correctly Classified Instances % (value)	Incorrectly Classified Instances % (value)	Time Taken (Seconds)	Kappa Statistic	Mean Absolute Error	Root Mean Squared Error	Relative Absolute Error (%)	Root Relative Squared Error (%)
Decision Tree	trees.Random Forest	83.3333 (60)	16.6667 (12)	0.11	0.5858	0.2944	0.3432	64.6402	71.9437
Decision Tree	trees.J48	81.9444 (59)	18.0556 (13)	0.62	0.6195	0.1743	0.3989	38.266	83.6213
Bayesian Network	bayes.Nalve Bayes	98.6111 (71)	1.3889 (1)	0.17	0.9691	0.0139	0.1179	3.0491	24.7056
K-Nearest Neighbor	lazy.IBK	85.1111 (62)	13.8889	0	0.6754	0.1497	0.3674	32.864	77.0096

7. GENE EXPRESSION DATA ANALYSIS

The **leukemia_all** database represents Affymetrix generated gene expression data for a diseased tissue sample belonging to a Leukemia patient. The question that needed to be answered is whether the patient should be diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) or acute myeloid leukemia (AML) by using its gene expression data. This database contained 72 instances and 7130 attributes. The database was analyzed using a WEKA software utilizing Decision tree J4.8 classification algorithm and Bayesian Network, and a Naïve Bayes algorithm. The classifiers were directly applied without any feature (gene) selection.

The number of top ranked genes selected using feature selection techniques and then applied classifiers technique on the data. The ReliefFAtributeEval is used in WEKA Explorer with a default parameter setting, as shown in Figure 6.



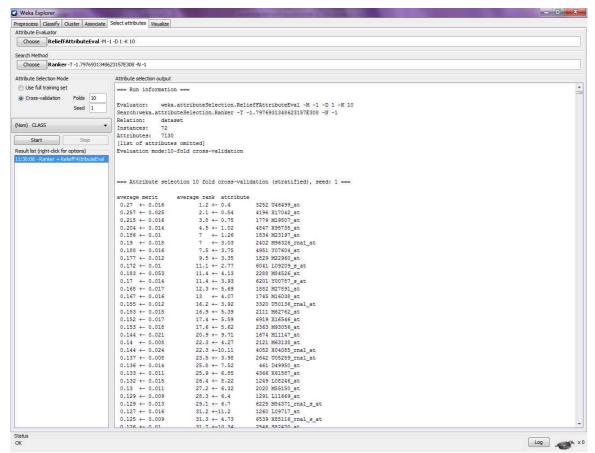


Fig 6 Attribute Evaluator

Table 4 and 5 shows the average Merit, Average Rank values and Genbank ID of genes associated with AML and ALL diseases, respectively. Data analysis results using both J4.8 classification Naïve Bayes algorithms was identical. The average Merit of the genes associated with AML showed the highest values, indicating that the patient should be diagnosed as an acute myeloid leukemia patient [34]. This result showed that WEKA software can be used in disease diagnosis by linking it to different disease information databases.



Table 4. The average Merit, Average Rank and Genbank ID of genes associated with acute myeloid leukemia (AML)

Average Merit	Average Rank	Attributes (Genbank ID)	Gene ID	
0.257 ± 0.025	2.1 ± 0.54	X17042	proteoglycan (SRGN)	
0.204 ± 0.014	4.5 ± 1.02	X95735	Zyxin	
0.19 ± 0.018	7 ±3.03	M96326	amtrocidin (AZO1)	
0.186 ± 0.01	7 ±1.26	M23197	CD33	
0.183 ± 0.053	11.4 ± 4.13	MS4526	Adipsin (CFD)	
0.17 ± 0.014	11.4±3.93	Y00787	IL-S precursor	
0.168 ± 0.017	12.3 ± 5.69	M27891	CST3 cystatin C	
0.167±0.016	13 ±4.07	M16038	LYN (tyrosine kinase)	
0.155 ± 0.012	16.2 <u>+</u> 3.92	U50136	lenkotriene C4 synthau (LTC4)	
0.153 +0.015	16.9 ± 5.39	M62762	ATPase (ATP6V0C)	
0.14 ± 0.008	22.3 ± 4.27	M63138	cathepsin D (carD)	
0.144 ± 0.024	22.3 ±10.11	X04085	catalase	
0.132 ± 0.015	26.4 ± 8.22	L08246	MCL1	
0.13 ± 0.011	27.2 ± 6.32	M55150	FAH	
0.125 ± 0.009	31.3 ± 4.73	X\$5116	Ebp72	
0.116±0.016	44.9 ±23.53	U82759	HOXA9	
0.111 ± 0.01	47.5±13.14	M28130	IL-8	
0.105 ± 0.007	52 ±9.34	X14008	Lysozyme	
0.099 ± 0.006	64.2 ±12.05	M19045	9035	
0.096 ± 0.007	73.6±16.6	303801		
0.099 ± 0.011	70.1 ± 23.29	M80254	CYP3	
0.096 + 0.006	74.1 ± 19.05	MS1695	TIGAX (CDITC)	
0.094±0.007	78.3 ± 19.92	U46751	p62	
0.063 ± 0.011	245.4±110.29	M57710	Lectin (LGALS3)	
0.049 ± 0.01	441.2 ±150.72	Y12670	Leptin receptor	

Table 5 The average Merit, Average Rank and Genbank ID of genes associated with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL).

Average Merit	Average Rank	Attributes	Gene ID
		(Genbank ID)	
0.215 ± 0.016	3.8 ± 0.75	M19507	myeloperoxidase
0.137 ± 0.008	23.5 ± 3.98	U05259	MB-1
0.123 ± 0.012	33 ±7.42	M92287	Cyclin D3
0.114 ± 0.013	43.4 ± 14.77	X59417	PROS27
0.104 ± 0.008	55.4 ±13.07	M31523	E2A
0.105 ± 0.025	61.7 ± 22.21	MB1211	MYL6B
0.099 ± 0.013	68.8 ± 21.93	Y08612	NUP88
0.093 ± 0.006	80 ±17.02	X63469	GTF2E2
0.092 ± 0.01	83.9 ± 28.2	S50223	ZNF22 (HKR-T1)
0.089 ± 0.009	93 ± 29.73	U22376	MYB
0.083 ± 0.006	111.5 ± 19.63	M31303	STMN1
0.076 ± 0.008	141.8 ± 35.06	Z15115	TOP2B
0.073 ± 0.008	149.2 ± 28.59	L47738	Inducible protein
0.071 ± 0.013	186.5 + 88.42	U29175	SMARCA4
0.065 ± 0.005	205.4±36.97	M13792	adenosine deaminase
0.063 ± 0.017	257.3 ± 131.02	D26156	SMARCA4
0.063 ± 0.011	230.3 <u>+</u> 81.88	U26266	DHPS
0.059 ± 0.005	259.7 ± 41.83	X74262	RBBP4
0.055 ± 0.009	337.5 ± 164.05	M29696	IL7R
0.054 ± 0.006	334.3 <u>+</u> 92.17	D38073	MCMB
0.05 ± 0.01	406.5 ± 120.29	M91432	ACADM
0.048 ± 0.011	461.6 ± 142.13	U20998	SRP9
0.045 ± 0.008	537.2 ± 184.49	Z69881	ATP2A3
0.04 ± 0.009	682.9 <u>+</u> 239.67	U32944	Dynein light chain
0.039 ± 0.007	744.8 ± 347.03	U35451	p25
0.03 ± 0.006	1235.5 ± 427.05	X15949	IRF2

8. CONCLUSIONS

WEKA is a full data mining suite which includes various preprocessing modules and data mining techniques. Classification is one of the most popular techniques in data mining. In this paper, we compared algorithms based on their accuracy, learning time and error rate. We observed that there is a direct relationship between execution time in building the tree model and the volume of data records, while there is also an indirect relationship between execution time in building the model and the attribute size of the data sets. Through experiment, we conclude that Bayesian algorithms have better classification accuracy over and above compared algorithms.



Moreover, WEKA has proven to be a very useful tool for bioinformatics analysis, in this case in the diagnosis of leukemia using a gene expression profile.

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