PROJECT DESCRIPTION

THE PROJECT GOAL is to use Internet based Classification Tools to build two type classifiers: descriptive and non-descriptive. Discuss the results. Compare these two approaches on the basis of obtained results.

1. Descriptive Classifier

Use a **Decision Tree** tool to generate sets of **discriminant rules** describing the content of the data.

Use WEKA:

http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/~ ml/weka/index.html)

2. Non-Decsriptive Classifier

Use Neural Networks tool to build your Classifier

Use WEKA or a tool of your choice. Describe specifics of your tool in a way that makes your report comprehensible for others.

Here are some tools suggestions:

http://www.mathworks.com/products/neural-network/?requestedDomain=www.mathworks.com

http://www.simbrain.net/

PROJECT DATA is provided on the course web page.

This is a real life classification data with TYPE DE ROCHE (Rock Type) as a CLASS attribute. There are 98 records with 48 attributes and 6 classes.

Classes are:

C1: R. Carbonatees AND R. Carbonatees impures

C2: Pyrate

C3: Charcopyrite

C4: Galene

C5: Spahlerite

C6: Sediments terrigenes

Most important attributes (as determined by the expert) are: S, Zn, Pb, Cu, CaO+MgO, CaO, MgO, Fe2O3

This is a real life experimental data and it contains a lot of missing data (no value).

The project has to follow the following steps of DM Process to build the classifiers.

S1: Data Preparation that includes attributes selection, cleaning the data, filling the missing values, etc... to build Project DATA - **PD**.

S2: Data preprocessing

- 1. For the Decision Trees **Descriptive Classifier** you use 2 methods of data discretization to the Project Data **PD** creating two data sets: **PD1** and **PD2**. Describe which methods you used.
- 2. For the Neural Network Non -descriptive Classifier use the Project DATA PD and your tool method of normalization of your choice. Specify which.

Building Classifiers

- For each sets of data **PD1**, **PD2** (for Decision Trees), and **PD** (for Neural Networks) perform the following **Experiments 1-3**.
- For each Experiment **compare** the resulting **Descriptive Classifiers** with each other and compare each **Descriptive Classifier** with the resulting **Non-Descriptive Classifier**.

Experiments 1-3

- Experiment 1: use all records to perform the full classification (learning), i.e. build a classifier for all classes C1- C6 simultaneously.
- Experiment 2: use all records to perform the contrast classification (contrast learning), i.e. contrasting class C1 with a class notC1 that contains other classes.
- **Experiment 3**: repeat Experiments 1, 2 for all records with the **most important attributes** as defined by the expert only.
- Write a detailed Project Description with methods, motivations, results and submit via Blackboard and e-mail to TA Sayontan Ghosh sayontan.ghosh@stonybrook.edu