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# **AutoClassWrapper**

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AutoClass is an unsupervised Bayesian classification system. AutoClass C is an implementation of the AutoClass algorithm developed by the NASA in 1995.

AutoClassWrapper is a Python wrapper to ease the use of Autoclass C.

Install AutoClassWrapper with *pip*:

```
$ python3 -m pip install autoclasswrapper
```

you will also need AutoClass C:

```
$ wget https://ti.arc.nasa.gov/m/project/autoclass/autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
$ tar zxvf autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
$ rm -f autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
$ export PATH=$PATH:$(pwd)/autoclass-c

# if you use a 64-bit operating system,
# you also need to install the standard 32-bit C libraries:
$ sudo apt-get install -y libc6-i386
```



## 1.1 AutoClass algorithm and context

AutoClass is an unsupervised Bayesian classification system developed at the NASA Ames Research Center in 1991 by [Hanson, Stutz and Cheeseman](#). This algorithm has many interesting features:

- The number of classes are determined automatically.
- Missing values are supported.
- Discret and real values can be mixed.
- For all classified objects, the class membership probability is provided.

[AutoClass C](#) is the implementation of the AutoClass algorithm in C. It has been developed by Cheeseman and Stutz in 1996. AutoClass C has been successful in classifying data as diverse as infrared spectra of stars, protein structures, introns from human DNA sequences, Landsat satellites images, body pattern in the common cuttlefish, patterns between rich and poor countries, network traffic, or catchments in the Australian landscape. In proteomics and genomics, where thousands of proteins or genes are detected at once, AutoClass C has been proven to produce insightful results.

However, AutoClass C user interface isn't very friendly and requires that data and parameters are input in a very precise way. To help user to prepare input data, perform classification and analyze output clusters, we developed AutoClassWrapper as a Python wrapper around AutoClass C.

## 1.2 Installation

To install AutoClassWrapper, use pip:

```
$ python3 -m pip install autoclasswrapper
```

you will also need AutoClass C:

```
$ wget https://ti.arc.nasa.gov/m/project/autoclass/autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
$ tar zxvf autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
$ rm -f autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
$ export PATH=$PATH:$(pwd)/autoclass-c

# if you use a 64-bit operating system,
# you also need to install the standard 32-bit C libraries:
$ sudo apt-get install -y libc6-i386
```

## 1.3 Data preparation

AutoClass C can handle 3 different types of data:

- *real scalar*: numerical values bounded by 0. Examples: length, weight, age...
- *real location*: numerical values, positive and negative. Examples: position, microarray log ratio, elevation...
- *discrete*: qualitative data. Examples: color, phenotype, name...

Each data type must be entered in **separate input file** (one for each type).

The usual workflow to prepare data is to instantiate an object from the `Input()` class:

```
import autoclasswrapper as wrapper
clust = wrapper.Input()
```

then add as many datasets as wanted, usually one per different data types:

```
clust.add_input_data("example1.tsv", "real scalar")
clust.add_input_data("example2.tsv", "real location")
```

Default input data format is **tab-separated** values. If data are formatted as **comma-separated** values, use the `input_separator_char=","` parameter.

- The first line must be a header with column names. Avoid accentuated or special characters (\$&!/) or space. These characters will be automatically replaced by `_`. Avoid lengthy column names. Column names must be unique.
- The first column must be gene/protein/object names.
- Missing data are allowed. They must be represented by nothing (no NA, ?, None, NULL...).

Together with the name of the input file, user must provide the type of data (either `real scalar`, `real location` or `discrete`).

The default error on real values is 0.01. Error is relative for *real scalar* values (0.01 means 1%) but absolute for *real location* values. There is no error for *discrete* values. For *real scalar* and *real location* values, custom error can be defined with the `input_error` parameter of the `.add_input_data()` method.

The next step is to prepare input data and generate input files required by AutoClass C:

```
clust.prepare_input_data()
clust.create_db2_file()
clust.create_hd2_file()
clust.create_model_file()
clust.create_sparams_file()
clust.create_rparams_file()
```

All this commands are compulsory and will create several parameter files in the current directory.

## 1.4 Classification / clustering

Once input files are created, one can build Bash run script and actually run AutoClass C:

```
import autoclasswrapper as wrapper
run = wrapper.Run()
run.create_run_file()
run.run()
```



At this stage, AutoClass C must be installed and available in PATH (see installation section).

The Bash script that run AutoClass C runs it actually twice. The first time to perform the classification (clustering). The second time to build a report from the raw results.

The Bash script that run AutoClass C is loaded itself with the `nohup` command. This means that the only way to stop this script is by killing it!

Depending on the size of the datasets (number of lines and columns), the classification might take some time to run (from few seconds to several hours). By default, the maximum running time is 3600 seconds (1 hour). This setting can be modified with the `max_duration` parameter of the `.create_sparams_file()` method.

## 1.5 Results analysis

Upon classification, results are output in different formats:

- `.cdt`: cluster data (CDT) files can be open with [Java Treeview](#)
- `.tsv`: Tab-separated values (TSV) file can be easily open and process with Microsoft Excel, R, Python...
- `_stats.tsv`: basic statistics for all classes
- `_dendrogram.png`: figure with a dendrogram showing relationship between classes

Note that the first class has number **1** (not 0).

```
import autoclasswrapper as wrapper
results = wrapper.Output()
results.extract_results()
results.aggregate_input_data()
results.write_cdt()
results.write_cdt(with_proba=True)
results.write_class_stats()
results.write_dendrogram()
```

The `.tsv` files contains:

- The initial dataset.
- A `main-class` column that gives the class with the highest probability.
- A `main-class-proba` column that contains the actual probability value (between 0.0 and 1.0) of the most probable class.
- `class-x-proba` columns (with `x` being a class number) that provide the probability to belong to the `x` class.



## 2.1 Toy dataset

We used here an artificial toy dataset composed of 3 sets of points with 2D random coordinates around an arbitrary center.

To go through this example, you need to install AutoClassWrapper:

```
$ python3 -m pip install autoclasswrapper
```

AutoClass C also needs to be installed locally and available in path.

Here is a quick solution for a Linux Bash shell:

```
wget https://ti.arc.nasa.gov/m/project/autoclass/autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
tar zxvf autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
rm -f autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
export PATH=$PATH:$(pwd)/autoclass-c

# if you use a 64-bit operating system,
# you also need to install the standard 32-bit C libraries:
# sudo apt-get install -y libc6-i386
```

```
[1]: from pathlib import Path
import sys
import time

import matplotlib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib.lines import Line2D
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

%matplotlib inline

print("Python:", sys.version)
print("matplotlib:", matplotlib.__version__)
print("numpy:", np.__version__)
print("pandas:", pd.__version__)

import autoclasswrapper as wrapper
print("AutoClassWrapper:", wrapper.__version__)

version = sys.version_info
```

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```
if not ((version.major >= 3) and (version.minor >= 6)):
    sys.exit("Need Python>=3.6")
```

```
Python: 3.7.1 | packaged by conda-forge | (default, Feb 26 2019, 04:48:14)
[GCC 7.3.0]
matplotlib: 3.0.3
numpy: 1.16.2
pandas: 0.24.1
AutoClassWrapper: 1.4.1
```

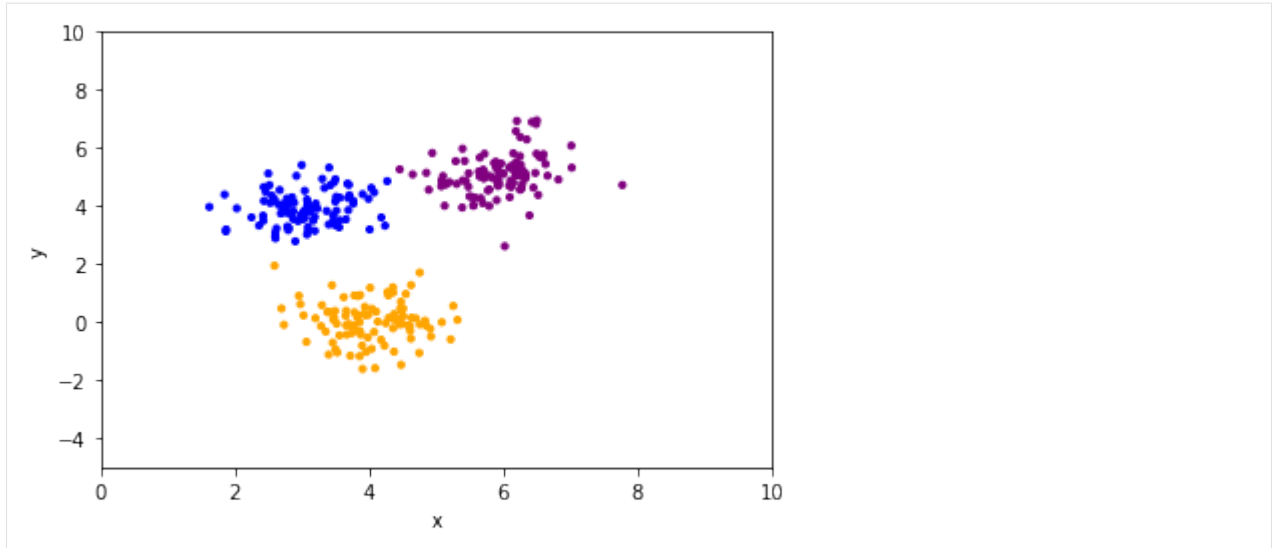
## 2.1.1 Dataset generation

```
[2]: size = 100
sigma = 0.6
x = np.concatenate((np.random.normal(3, sigma, size), np.random.normal(4, sigma,
↪size), np.random.normal(6, sigma, size)))
y = np.concatenate((np.random.normal(4, sigma, size), np.random.normal(0, sigma,
↪size), np.random.normal(5, sigma, size)))
color = ["blue"]*size+["orange"]*size+["purple"]*size
name = ["id{:03d}".format(id) for id in range(size*3)]
df = pd.DataFrame.from_dict({"x":x, "y":y, "color":color})
df.index = name
df.index.name = "name"
df.head()
```

```
[2]:
```

	x	y	color
name			
id000	4.268207	4.857065	blue
id001	3.079047	3.985566	blue
id002	3.704671	4.374195	blue
id003	2.681800	3.745056	blue
id004	3.012738	3.704896	blue

```
[3]: plt.scatter(df["x"], df["y"], color=df["color"], s=10)
plt.xlabel("x")
plt.ylabel("y")
plt.xlim(0, 10)
plt.ylim(-5, 10);
```



```
[4]: # verify all x are > 0
assert min(df["x"]) > 0
```

Save *x* and *y* in 2 different files (that will be later merged)

```
[5]: df["x"].to_csv("demo_real_scalar.tsv", sep="\t", header=True)
df["y"].to_csv("demo_real_location.tsv", sep="\t", header=True)
```

## 2.1.2 Step 1 - prepare input files

AutoClass C can handle different types of data:

- *real scalar*: numerical values bounded by 0. Examples: length, weight, age...
- *real location*: numerical values, positive and negative. Examples: position, microarray log ratio, elevation...
- *discrete*: qualitative data. Examples: color, phenotype, name...

Each data type must be entered in separate input file.

AutoClass C handles very well missing data. Missing data must be represented by nothing (no NA, ?, None...)

```
[6]: # Create object to prepare dataset.
clust = wrapper.Input()

# Load datasets from tsv files.
clust.add_input_data("demo_real_scalar.tsv", "real scalar")
clust.add_input_data("demo_real_location.tsv", "real location")

# Prepare input data:
# - create a final dataframe
# - merge datasets if multiple inputs
clust.prepare_input_data()

# Create files needed by AutoClass.
clust.create_db2_file()
clust.create_hd2_file()
clust.create_model_file()
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```

clust.create_sparams_file()
clust.create_rparams_file()

2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Reading data file 'demo_real_scalar.tsv' as 'real_
↳scalar' with error 0.01
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Detected encoding: ascii
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Found 300 rows and 2 columns
2019-07-07 19:07:11 DEBUG     Checking column names
2019-07-07 19:07:11 DEBUG     Index name 'name'
2019-07-07 19:07:11 DEBUG     Column name 'x'
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Checking data format
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Column 'x'
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      count      300.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      mean       4.331423
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      std        1.316879
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      min        1.616267
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      50%       4.038210
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      max        7.776609
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      --
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Reading data file 'demo_real_location.tsv' as 'real_
↳location' with error 0.01
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Detected encoding: ascii
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Found 300 rows and 2 columns
2019-07-07 19:07:11 DEBUG     Checking column names
2019-07-07 19:07:11 DEBUG     Index name 'name'
2019-07-07 19:07:11 DEBUG     Column name 'y'
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Checking data format
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Column 'y'
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      count      300.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      mean       3.018801
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      std        2.263316
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      min       -1.607160
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      50%       3.882919
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      max        6.949139
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      --
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Preparing input data
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Final dataframe has 300 lines and 3 columns
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Searching for missing values
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      No missing values found
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Writing autoclass.db2 file
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      If any, missing values will be encoded as '?'
2019-07-07 19:07:11 DEBUG     Writing autoclass.tsv file [for later use]
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Writing .hd2 file
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Writing .model file
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Writing .s-params file
2019-07-07 19:07:11 INFO      Writing .r-params file

```

### 2.1.3 Step 2 - prepare run script & run autoclass

The file `autoclass-run-success` is created if AutoClass C has run without any issue. Otherwise, the file `autoclass-run-failure` is created.

```

[7]: # Clean previous status file and results if a classification has already been_
↳performed.
!rm -f autoclass-run-* *.results-bin

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```

# Search autoclass in path.
wrapper.search_autoclass_in_path()

# Create object to run AutoClass.
run = wrapper.Run()

# Prepare run script.
run.create_run_file()

# Run AutoClass.
run.run()

```

```

2019-07-07 19:07:14 INFO      AutoClass C executable found in /home/pierre/.soft/bin/
↪autoclass
2019-07-07 19:07:14 INFO      Writing run file
2019-07-07 19:07:14 INFO      AutoClass C executable found in /home/pierre/.soft/bin/
↪autoclass
2019-07-07 19:07:14 INFO      AutoClass C version: AUTOCLASS C (version 3.3.6unx)
2019-07-07 19:07:14 INFO      Running clustering...

```

## 2.1.4 Step 3 - parse and format results

AutoClass C results are parsed and formatted for an easier use :

- `.cdt`: cluster data (CDT) files can be open with [Java Treeview](#)
- `.tsv`: Tab-separated values (TSV) file can be easily open and process with Microsoft Excel, R, Python...
- `_stats.tsv`: basic statistics for all classes
- `_dendrogram.png`: figure with a dendrogram showing relationship between classes

Note that the  $n$  classes are numbered from 1 to  $n$ .

Results are analyzed only when classification is completed.

```

[8]: timer = 0
step = 2
while not Path("autoclass-run-success").exists():
    timer += step
    sys.stdout.write("\r")
    sys.stdout.write(f"Time: {timer} sec.")
    sys.stdout.flush()
    time.sleep(step)

results = wrapper.Output()
results.extract_results()
results.aggregate_input_data()
results.write_cdt()
results.write_cdt(with_proba=True)
results.write_class_stats()
results.write_dendrogram()

Time: 2 sec.

```

```

2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO      Extracting autoclass results
2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO      Found 300 cases classified in 3 classes

```

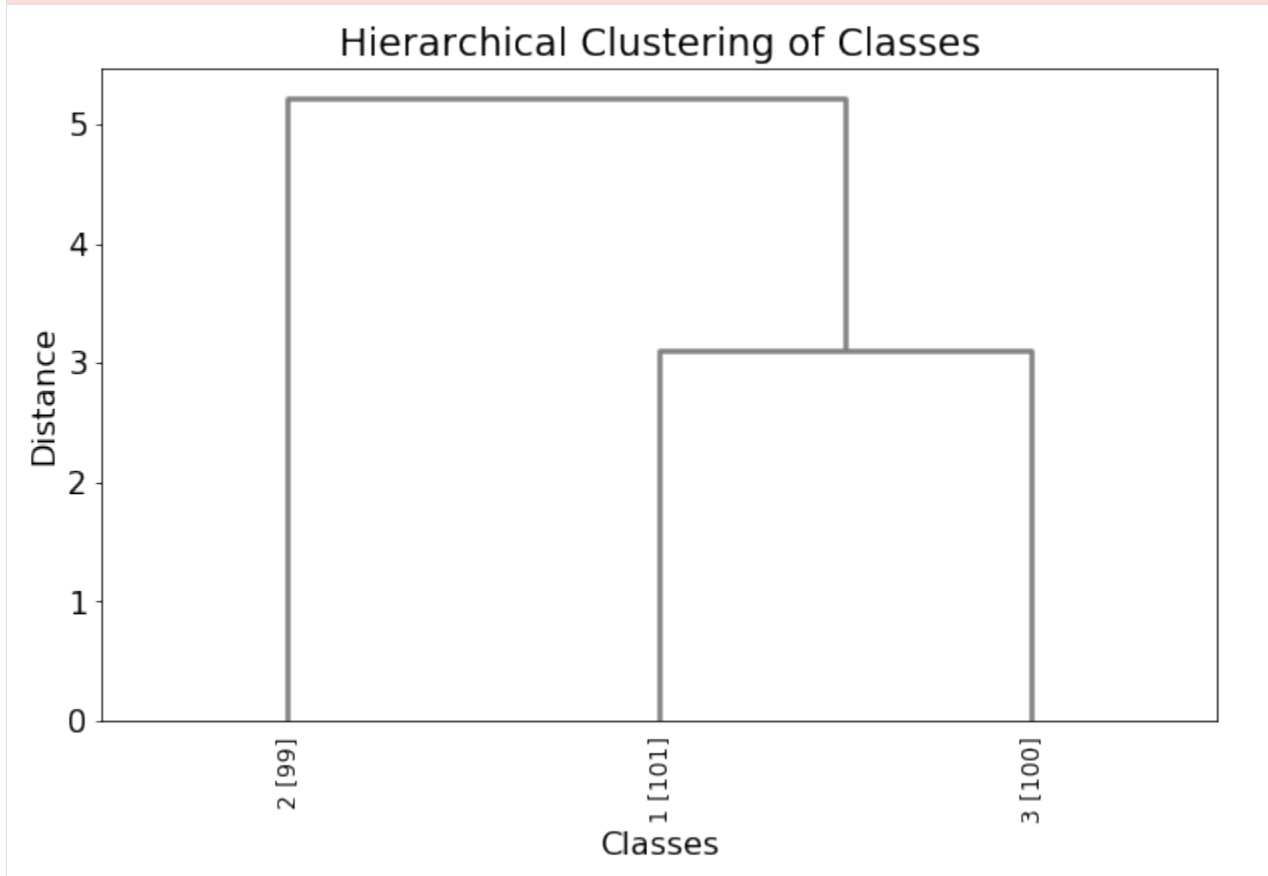
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```

2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO    Aggregating input data
2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO    Writing classes + probabilities .tsv file
2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO    Writing .cdt file
2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO    Writing .cdt file (with probabilities)
2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO    Writing class statistics
2019-07-07 19:07:18 INFO    Writing dendrogram

```



The dendrogram exhibits relationship between classes.

Numbers in brackets are the number of cases (genes, proteins) in a class.

In the above plot, classes 1 and 3 are closer to each other than to class 2. Class 1 has 101 cases, class 3 has 99 and class 2 has 100.

## Results exploration

All results are combined in \*\_out.tsv file.

In addition to the original data (columns name, x and y), the class assigned to a particular case (gene, protein) is given (main-class) along with its probability (main-class-proba). Probability to belong to all classes (class-x-proba) are also provided.

```
[9]: df_res = pd.read_csv("autoclass_out.tsv", sep="\t")
df_res.head()
```

```
[9]:   name      x      y  main-class  main-class-proba  class-1-proba  \
0  id000  4.268207  4.857065         1           0.964           0.964
```

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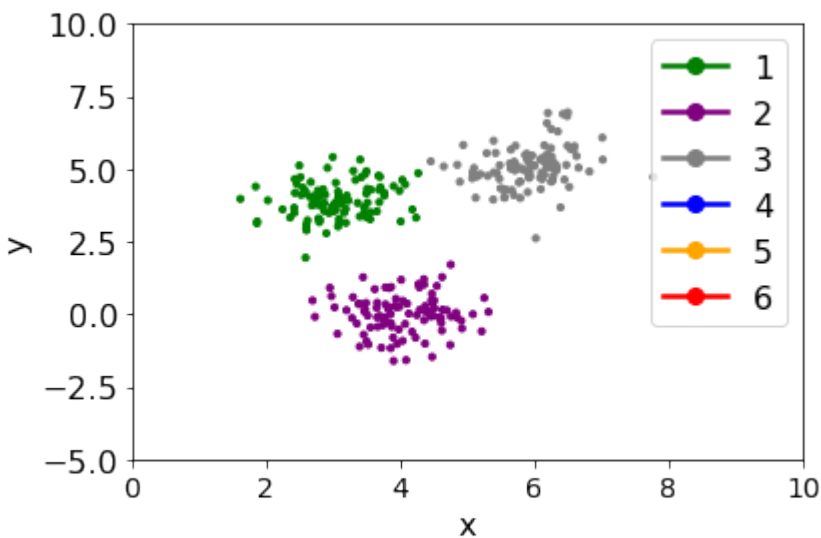
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1	id001	3.079047	3.985566	1	1.000	1.000
2	id002	3.704671	4.374195	1	1.000	1.000
3	id003	2.681800	3.745056	1	1.000	1.000
4	id004	3.012738	3.704896	1	1.000	1.000
	class-2-proba		class-3-proba			
0	0.0		0.036			
1	0.0		0.000			
2	0.0		0.000			
3	0.0		0.000			
4	0.0		0.000			

```
[10]: class_to_color = {1: "green",
                       2: "purple",
                       3: "gray",
                       4: "blue",
                       5: "orange",
                       6: "red"}
df_res["main-class"] = df_res["main-class"].replace(class_to_color)
```

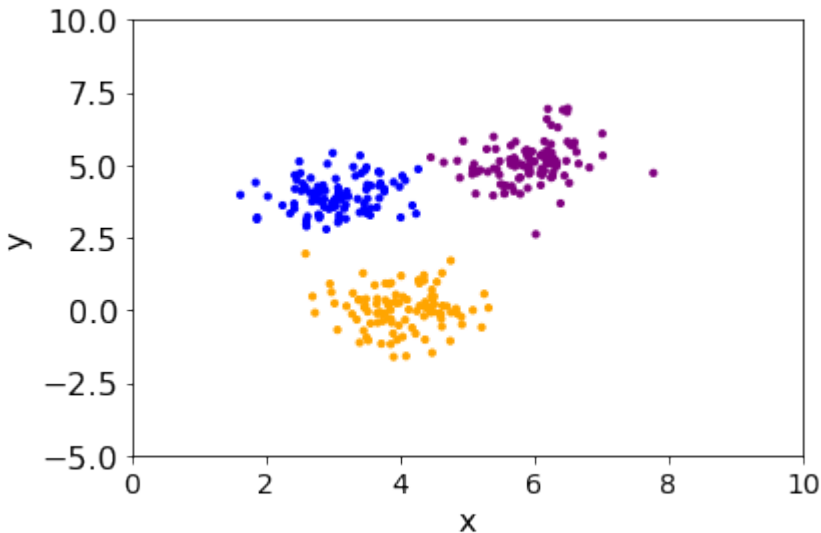
## Display classes

```
[11]: plt.scatter(df_res["x"], df_res["y"], color=df_res["main-class"], s=10)
plt.xlabel("x")
plt.ylabel("y")
plt.xlim(0, 10)
legend_elements = [Line2D([0], [0], marker='o', color=value, label=str(key),
↪marker_size=8)
                   for key, value in class_to_color.items()]
plt.legend(handles=legend_elements)
plt.ylim(-5, 10);
```



## Compare to original distribution

```
[12]: plt.scatter(df["x"], df["y"], color=df["color"], s=10)
plt.xlabel("x")
plt.ylabel("y")
plt.xlim(0, 10)
plt.ylim(-5, 10);
```



Slight differences could appear at the margin between groups of points but the overall groups are found.

## 2.2 Iris flower dataset

The [iris flower dataset](#) is a common dataset used in machine learning.

It has been created Ronald Fisher in 1936. It contains the petal length, petal width, sepal length and sepal width of 150 iris flowers from 3 different species.

Dataset has been downloaded from [Kaggle](#).

To go through this example, you need to install AutoClassWrapper:

```
$ python3 -m pip install autoclasswrapper
```

AutoClass C also needs to be installed locally and available in path.

Here is a quick solution for a Linux Bash shell:

```
wget https://ti.arc.nasa.gov/m/project/autoclass/autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
tar zxvf autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
rm -f autoclass-c-3-3-6.tar.gz
export PATH=$PATH:$(pwd)/autoclass-c

# if you use a 64-bit operating system,
# you also need to install the standard 32-bit C libraries:
# sudo apt-get install -y libc6-i386
```

```
[1]: from pathlib import Path
import sys
import time

import matplotlib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib.lines import Line2D
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

%matplotlib inline

print("Python:", sys.version)
print("matplotlib:", matplotlib.__version__)
print("numpy:", np.__version__)
print("pandas:", pd.__version__)

import autoclasswrapper as wrapper
print("AutoClassWrapper:", wrapper.__version__)

version = sys.version_info
if not ((version.major >= 3) and (version.minor >= 6)):
    sys.exit("Need Python>=3.6")

Python: 3.7.1 | packaged by conda-forge | (default, Feb 26 2019, 04:48:14)
[GCC 7.3.0]
matplotlib: 3.0.3
numpy: 1.16.2
pandas: 0.24.1
AutoClassWrapper: 1.4.1
```

## 2.2.1 Dataset preparation

```
[2]: df = pd.read_csv("iris.csv", index_col="Id")
df.head()
```

```
[2]:
```

	SepalLengthCm	SepalWidthCm	PetalLengthCm	PetalWidthCm	Species
Id					
1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
3	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	Iris-setosa
4	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
5	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa

```
[3]: df.describe(include='all').T
```

```
[3]:
```

	count	unique	top	freq	mean	std	min	25%	\
SepalLengthCm	150	NaN	NaN	NaN	5.84333	0.828066	4.3	5.1	
SepalWidthCm	150	NaN	NaN	NaN	3.054	0.433594	2	2.8	
PetalLengthCm	150	NaN	NaN	NaN	3.75867	1.76442	1	1.6	
PetalWidthCm	150	NaN	NaN	NaN	1.19867	0.763161	0.1	0.3	
Species	150	3	Iris-versicolor	50	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
	50%	75%	max						
SepalLengthCm	5.8	6.4	7.9						
SepalWidthCm	3	3.3	4.4						

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PetalLengthCm	4.35	5.1	6.9
PetalWidthCm	1.3	1.8	2.5
Species	NaN	NaN	NaN

### Add discrete values

Apart iris species, data in this dataset are numerical values only.

To demonstrate the ability of AutoClass C to handle discrete values, we will convert `PetalWidthCm` column to discrete categorical values.

```
[4]: def categorize(value):
      if value <= 0.75:
          return "small"
      elif 0.75 < value <= 1.75:
          return "medium"
      elif 1.75 < value:
          return "large"
```

```
[5]: df["PetalWidthCat"] = df["PetalWidthCm"].apply(categorize)
      df.head()
```

```
[5]:
```

	SepalLengthCm	SepalWidthCm	PetalLengthCm	PetalWidthCm	Species	\
Id						
1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa	
2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa	
3	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	Iris-setosa	
4	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa	
5	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa	

```

      PetalWidthCat
Id
1      small
2      small
3      small
4      small
5      small
```

### Add missing values

To demonstrate the ability of AutoClass C to handle missing values, we will delete some values.

```
[6]: df.loc[1, "SepalLengthCm"] = np.nan
      df.loc[2, "SepalWidthCm"] = np.nan
      df.loc[3, "PetalLengthCm"] = np.nan
      df.head()
```

```
[6]:
```

	SepalLengthCm	SepalWidthCm	PetalLengthCm	PetalWidthCm	Species	\
Id						
1	NaN	3.5	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa	
2	4.9	NaN	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa	
3	4.7	3.2	NaN	0.2	Iris-setosa	
4	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa	
5	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa	

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```

    PetalWidthCat
Id
1      small
2      small
3      small
4      small
5      small

```

Save dataset in two different files. One with real values and the other one with discrete values (column `PetalWidthCat`). Missing values must be encoded with nothing.

```
[7]: df.drop(["Species", "PetalWidthCm", "PetalWidthCat"], axis=1).to_csv("iris_real.tsv",
↳ sep="\t", header=True)
!head iris_real.tsv
```

```

Id      SepalLengthCm  SepalWidthCm  PetalLengthCm
1          4.9          3.5          1.4
2          4.7          3.2          1.4
3          4.6          3.1          1.5
4          5.0          3.6          1.4
5          5.4          3.9          1.7
6          4.6          3.4          1.4
7          5.0          3.4          1.5
8          4.4          2.9          1.4

```

```
[8]: df["PetalWidthCat"].to_csv("iris_discrete.tsv", sep="\t", header=True)
!head iris_discrete.tsv
```

```

Id      PetalWidthCat
1      small
2      small
3      small
4      small
5      small
6      small
7      small
8      small
9      small

```

## 2.2.2 Step 1 - prepare input files

```
[9]: # Create object to prepare dataset.
clust = wrapper.Input()

# Load datasets from tsv files.
clust.add_input_data("iris_real.tsv", "real scalar")
clust.add_input_data("iris_discrete.tsv", "discrete")

# Prepare input data:
# - create a final dataframe
# - merge datasets if multiple inputs
clust.prepare_input_data()
```

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```

# Create files needed by AutoClass.
clust.create_db2_file()
clust.create_hd2_file()
clust.create_model_file()
# We wanted reproducible results to ease documentation.
# But bear in mind, that this parameter is not advised by authors of AutoClass C in_
↳production run.
# Use clust.create_sparams_file() instead.
clust.create_sparams_file(reproducible_run=True)
clust.create_rparams_file()

2019-07-07 19:07:58 INFO      Reading data file 'iris_real.tsv' as 'real scalar' with_
↳error 0.01
2019-07-07 19:07:58 INFO      Detected encoding: ascii
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Found 150 rows and 4 columns
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Checking column names
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Index name 'Id'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Column name 'SepalLengthCm'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Column name 'SepalWidthCm'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Column name 'PetalLengthCm'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Checking data format
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Column 'SepalLengthCm'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      count      149.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      mean       5.848322
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      std        0.828594
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      min        4.300000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      50%       5.800000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      max        7.900000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      --
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Column 'SepalWidthCm'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      count      149.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      mean       3.054362
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      std        0.435034
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      min        2.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      50%       3.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      max        4.400000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      --
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Column 'PetalLengthCm'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      count      149.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      mean       3.775168
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      std        1.758720
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      min        1.000000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      50%       4.400000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      max        6.900000
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      --
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Reading data file 'iris_discrete.tsv' as 'discrete'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Detected encoding: ascii
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Found 150 rows and 2 columns
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Checking column names
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Index name 'Id'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG     Column name 'PetalWidthCat'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Checking data format
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Column 'PetalWidthCat': 3 different values
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Preparing input data
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Final dataframe has 150 lines and 5 columns
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO      Searching for missing values
2019-07-07 19:07:59 WARNING   Missing values found in column: SepalLengthCm

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```

2019-07-07 19:07:59 WARNING Missing values found in column: SepalWidthCm
2019-07-07 19:07:59 WARNING Missing values found in column: PetalLengthCm
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO Writing autoclass.db2 file
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO If any, missing values will be encoded as '?'
2019-07-07 19:07:59 DEBUG Writing autoclass.tsv file [for later use]
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO Writing .hd2 file
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO Writing .model file
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO Writing .s-params file
2019-07-07 19:07:59 INFO Writing .r-params file

```

### 2.2.3 Step 2 - prepare run script & run autoclass

```

[10]: # Clean previous status file and results if a classification has already been_
      ↪performed.
      !rm -f autoclass-run-* *.results-bin

      # Search autoclass in path.
      wrapper.search_autoclass_in_path()

      # Create object to run AutoClass.
      run = wrapper.Run()

      # Prepare run script.
      run.create_run_file()

      # Run AutoClass.
      run.run()

2019-07-07 19:08:02 INFO AutoClass C executable found in /home/pierre/.soft/bin/
      ↪autoclass
2019-07-07 19:08:02 INFO Writing run file
2019-07-07 19:08:02 INFO AutoClass C executable found in /home/pierre/.soft/bin/
      ↪autoclass
2019-07-07 19:08:02 INFO AutoClass C version: AUTOCLASS C (version 3.3.6unx)
2019-07-07 19:08:02 INFO Running clustering...

```

### 2.2.4 Step 3 - parse and format results

```

[11]: timer = 0
      step = 2
      while not Path("autoclass-run-success").exists():
          timer += step
          sys.stdout.write("\r")
          sys.stdout.write(f"Time: {timer} sec.")
          sys.stdout.flush()
          time.sleep(step)

      results = wrapper.Output()
      results.extract_results()
      results.aggregate_input_data()
      results.write_cdt()
      results.write_cdt(with_proba=True)

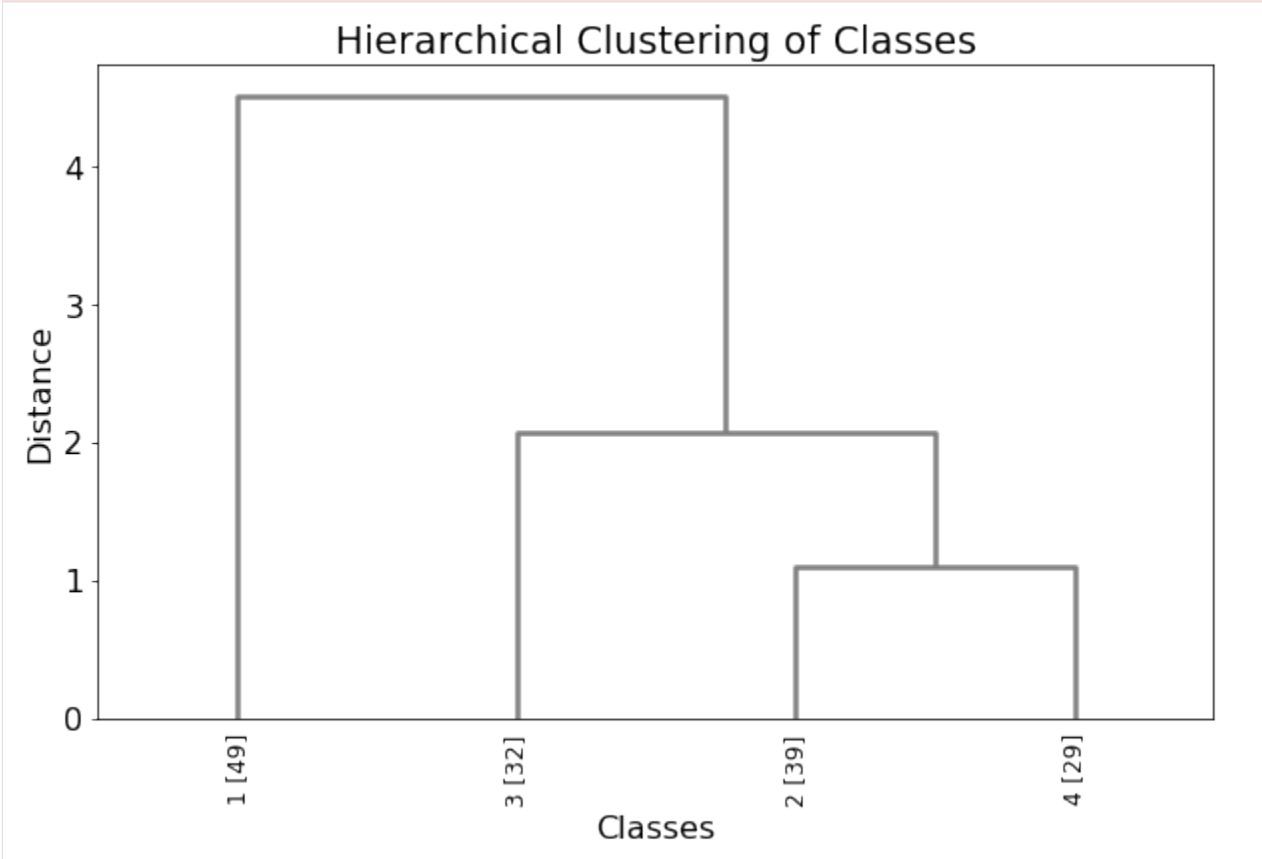
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```
results.write_class_stats()
results.write_dendrogram()
```

```
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Extracting autoclass results
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Found 150 cases classified in 4 classes
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Aggregating input data
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Writing classes + probabilities .tsv file
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Writing .cdt file
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Writing .cdt file (with probabilities)
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Writing class statistics
2019-07-07 19:08:05 INFO      Writing dendrogram
```



For comparison, add class number to original dataset.

```
[12]: df_class = pd.read_csv("autoclass_out.tsv", sep="\t", index_col="Id")
df = pd.concat([df, df_class["main-class"]], axis=1, join="outer")
df.head()
```

```
[12]:   SepalLengthCm  SepalWidthCm  PetalLengthCm  PetalWidthCm  Species \
Id
1             NaN             3.5             1.4             0.2  Iris-setosa
2             4.9             NaN             1.4             0.2  Iris-setosa
3             4.7             3.2             NaN             0.2  Iris-setosa
4             4.6             3.1             1.5             0.2  Iris-setosa
5             5.0             3.6             1.4             0.2  Iris-setosa

   PetalWidthCat  main-class
Id
```

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1	small	1
2	small	1
3	small	1
4	small	1
5	small	1

## 2.2.5 Compute class distribution for iris species

```
[13]: pd.pivot_table(df, index=["Species"], columns=["main-class"], values=[], aggfunc=len,
↳ fill_value=0)
```

```
[13]: main-class      1   2   3   4
Species
Iris-setosa      50   0   0   0
Iris-versicolor  0  23   0  27
Iris-virginica   0  16  32   2
```

The setosa species is found only in cluster 1. Note that missing values did not interfere in the classification of the 3 first flowers as setosa.

The versicolor species is found in cluster 2 and 4.

The virginica species is found mainly in cluster 3 but also in cluster 2 and 4.

AutoClass-C determines automatically what is the optimal number of classes. It's always a good idea to analyse the final results to check if some cluster can be merged (for instance cluster 2 and 4).



### 3.1 API reference for Input() class

**class** autoclasswrapper.**Input** (*root\_name='autoclass', db2\_separator\_char='t',  
db2\_missing\_char='?', tolerate\_error=False*)  
AutoClass C input files and parameters.

#### Parameters

- **root\_name** (*string, optional (default "autoclass")*) – Root name to generate input files for AutoClass C. Example: “autoclass” will lead to “autoclass.db2”, “autoclass.model”, “autoclass.s-params”...
- **db2\_separator\_char** (*string, optional (default: "t")*) – Character used to separate columns of data in AutoClass C db2 file.
- **db2\_missing\_char** (*string, optional (default: "?")*) – Character used to encode missing data in AutoClass C db2 file.
- **tolerate\_error** (*bool, optional (default: False)*) – If True, continue generation of AutoClass C input files even if an error is encountered. If False, stop at first error.

#### had\_error

Set to True if an error has been found in the generation of AutoClass C input files.

**Type** bool (default False)

#### input\_datasets

List of all input Datasets.

**Type** list of Dataset() objects

#### full\_dataset

Final Dataset used by AutoClass C.

**Type** Dataset() object

#### add\_input\_data (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Read input data file and append to list of datasets.

#### Parameters

- **input\_file** (*string*) – Name of the data file to read.
- **input\_type** (*string*) – Type of data contained in input file. Either “real scalar”, “real location” or “discrete”
- **input\_error** (*float, optional (default: 0.01)*) – Input error value.

- **input\_separator\_char** (*string, optional (default: "t")*) – Character used to separate columns of data in input file.
- **input\_missing\_char** (*string, optional (default: "")*) – Character used to encode missing data in input file.

**create\_db2\_file** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create .db2 file (AutoClass C data).

Also save all data into a .tsv file for later user.

**create\_hd2\_file** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create .hd2 file (AutoClass C data descriptions).

**create\_model\_file** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create .model file (AutoClass C data models).

Choice of model based on data type and missing values

**create\_rparams\_file** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create .r-params file (AutoClass C report parameters).

**create\_sparams\_file** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create .s-params file (AutoClass C search parameters).

#### Parameters

- **max\_duration** (*int, optional (default: 3600)*) – Maximum time (in seconds) for the AutoClass C simulation. If set `max_duration = 0`, simulation will run with NO time limit For more details, see AutoClass C documentation: file search-c.text, lines 493-495
- **max\_n\_tries** (*int, optional (default: 200)*) – Number of trials to run. For more details, see AutoClass C documentation: file search-c.text, lines 403-404
- **max\_cycles** (*int, optional (default: 1000)*) – Max number of cycles per trial. This is maximum that may not be reached. For more details, see AutoClass C documentation: file search-c.text, lines 316-317
- **start\_j\_list** (*list of int, optional (default: [2, 3, 5, 7, 10, 15, 25, 35,])* – 45, 55, 65, 75, 85, 95, 105) Initial guesses of the number of clusters Autoclass default: 2, 3, 5, 7, 10, 15, 25 For more details, see AutoClass C documentation: file search-c.text, line 332
- **reproducible\_run** (*boolean, optional (default: False)*) – If set to True, define parameters to obtain reproducible run. According to AutoClass C developers: “These parameter settings are for testing *only* – they should not be utilized for normal AutoClass runs.”
  - **randomize\_random\_p = false** Random seed is set to 1 (instead of the usual current time)
  - **start\_fn\_type = “block”** Instead of “random”
  - `min_report_period` = value greater than duration of runFor more details, see AutoClass C documentation:
  - file search-c.text, line 678
  - file search-c.text, line 565
  - file search-c.text, line 525

**handle\_error** ()  
 Handle error during data parsing and formatting.  
 Function decorator.

**Parameters** *f* (*function*) –

**Returns** *try\_function*

**Return type** function wrapped into error handler

**prepare\_input\_data** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)  
 Prepare input data.

- Create a final dataframe.
- Merge datasets if multiple inputs.

### Notes

Dataframes are merged based on an ‘outer’ join <https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/merging.html> - all lines are kept - missing data might appear

**print\_files** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)  
 Print generated files.  
 Debug usage.

**Returns** *content* – Contain all AutoClass C parameter files concatenated.

**Return type** string

## 3.2 API reference for Dataset() class

**class** autoclasswrapper.Dataset (*input\_file=""*, *data\_type=""*, *error=None*, *separator\_char='t'*, *missing\_char=""*)

Handle input data.

### Parameters

- **input\_file** (*string* (*default: ""*)) – Name of the file to read data from.
- **data\_type** (*string* (*default: ""*)) – Type of data contained in input file. Either “real scalar”, “real location”, “discrete” or “merged” “merged” is a special case corresponding to merged datasets.
- **error** (*float, optional* (*default: 0.01*)) – Value of error on data.
- **separator\_char** (*string, optional* (*default: "t"*)) – Character used to separate columns of data in input file.
- **missing\_char** (*string, optional* (*default: ""*)) – Character used to encode missing data in input file.

**input\_file**  
 Name of the file to read data from.

**Type** string (default: “”)

**separator\_char**  
 Character used to separate columns of data in input file.

**Type** string (default: "t")

**df**

Pandas dataframe that contains all data.

**Type** Pandas dataframe (default: None)

**column\_meta**

Dictionary that contains metadata for each column. Keys are column names. Values are another dictionary: {"type": data\_type, "error": error, "missing": False}

**Type** dict (default: {})

**check\_data\_type ()**

Check data type.

Cast 'real scalar' and 'real location' to float64

**check\_duplicate\_col\_names ()**

Check duplicate column names.

**clean\_column\_names ()**

Clean column names.

Allowed characters are:

- *ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ*
- *abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz*
- *0123456789*
- . (dot)
- + (plus signe)
- - (minus signe)
- \_ (underscore)

Unauthorized characters are replaced by '\_'

**guess\_encoding ()**

Guess input file encoding.

**Returns** Type of encoding.

**Return type** string

**read\_datafile ()**

Read data file as pandas dataframe.

Header must be on the first row (header=0) Gene/protein/orf names must be on the first column (index\_col=0)

**search\_missing\_values ()**

Search for missing values.

### 3.3 API reference for Run() class

**class** `autoclasswrapper.Run` (*root\_name='autoclass', tolerate\_error=False*)

Autoclass running script.

**Parameters**

- **root\_name** (*string, optional (default: "autoclass")*) – Root name for input files and running script. Example: “autoclass” will lead to “autoclass.db2”, “autoclass.model”, “autoclass.sh”...
- **tolerate\_error** (*bool, optional (default: False)*) – If True, continue generation of autoclass input files even if an error is encountered. If False, stop at first error.

**had\_error**

Set to True if an error has been found in the generation of autoclass input files.

**Type** bool (default False)

**create\_run\_file** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Create bash script that runs AutoClass C.

**create\_run\_file\_test** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Create dummy script.

Script will wait for xx seconds while touching .log file every second.

**Parameters** **time** (*int (default: 60), optional*) – Time in seconds to wait.

**handle\_error** ()

Handle error during data parsing and formatting.

Function decorator.

**Parameters** **f** (*function*) –

**Returns** **try\_function**

**Return type** function wrapped into error handler

**run** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Run AutoClass C classification.

autoclass-c executable must be in PATH!

**Parameters** **tag** (*string (default: ""), optional*) – Tag to identify the autoclass run among other processes

## 3.4 API reference for Output() class

**class** autoclasswrapper.**Output** (*root\_in\_name='autoclass', root\_out\_name='autoclass\_out', tolerate\_error=False*)

AutoClass output files and results.

**Parameters**

- **root\_in\_name** (*string, optional (default: "autoclass")*) – Root name to read input files generated by autoclass. Example: “autoclass” will lead to “autoclass.db2”, “autoclass.model”, “autoclass.s-params”...
- **root\_out\_name** (*string, optional (default: "autoclass\_out")*) – Root name to write output files Ex.: “autoclass\_out” will lead to “autoclass\_out.cdt”, “autoclass\_out\_stats.tsv”
- **tolerate\_error** (*bool, optional (default: False)*) – If True, continue generation of autoclass input files even if an error is encountered. If False, stop at first error.

**had\_error**

Set to True if an error has been found in the generation of autoclass input files.

**Type** bool (default False)

**case\_number**

Number of cases (i.e. of genes/proteins).

**Type** int (default 0)

**class\_number**

Number of classes (i.e. clusters).

**Type** int (default 0)

**stats**

Dataframe that contains, for all cases, main class and probability for all classes.

**Type** Pandas dataframe (default None)

**df**

Dataframe that contains initial input data and associated clusters.

**Type** Pandas dataframe (default None)

**experiment\_names**

List of experiment (conditions) names. Corresponds to columns in the input data.

**Type** list of string (default [])

**aggregate\_input\_data** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Aggregate autoclass classes with input data.

**extract\_results** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Extract results from autoclass.

Results extracted are: - Number of cases (i.e. genes/proteins) - Number of classes (i.e. clusters) - For each case X, most probable class - For each case X, probability to belong to class Y

**handle\_error** ()

Handle error during data parsing and formatting.

Function decorator.

**Parameters** *f* (*function*) -

**Returns** *try\_function*

**Return type** function wrapped into error handler

**write\_cdt** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Write .cdt file for visualisation.

**Parameters** *with\_proba* (*bool* (default *False*), *optional*) - If True, also writes probability of case to belong to each class.

**write\_class\_stats** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Write class stat file.

Number of elements per class. Mean and standard deviation values per experiment. Missing values are skipped.

**write\_dendrogram** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Write dendrogram of hierarchical clustering of classes to file.



## 3.5 API reference for the tools module

`autoclasswrapper.search_autoclass_in_path()`

Search if AutoClass C executable is in PATH.

**Returns** Path to Autoclass C binary.

**Return type** str

`autoclasswrapper.get_autoclass_version()`

Output AutoClass C version.

**Returns** **version** – Autoclass version

**Return type** str



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