# Comparison of Robust Nearest Neighbour fuzzy Rough Classifier (RNN-FRC) with KNN and NEC Classifiers

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Abstract—Fuzzy rough set, generalized from Pawlak's rough sets, were introduced for dealing with continuous or fuzzy data. This model has been widely discussed and applied these years. It is shown that the model of fuzzy rough sets is sensitive to noisy samples, especially sensitive to mislabelled samples. As data are usually contaminated with noise in practice, a robust model is desirable. To handle noisy datasets a lot of robust fuzzy rough set models were designed before. Robust nearest neighbour fuzzy rough set model is best among the models. A classification algorithm was mentioned before based on this model known as robust nearest neighbour fuzzy rough classifier. In literature there was no detail description of the robust nearest neighbour fuzzy rough classifier was given and compared it with KNN, and NN classifiers. In this paper, we give detail description of this classifier and compare it with other classifiers like KNN classifier, NN classifier and Fuzzy rough classifier. In this paper we have done some numerical experiments to show that Robust nearest neighbour Fuzzy Rough Classifiers perform best among them.

Keywords—Fuzzy rough set, robustness, KNN , NEC classifiers.

# I. INTRODUCTION

This Classification is a form of data analysis that extracts models describing important data classes. Such models called classifiers, predict categorical (discrete, unordered) class labels, Classification is a twostep process. In the first step, a classification model is built based on training data. In the second step it determines the model's accuracy based on testing data. If the model's accuracy is acceptable, then the model is used to classify new data.

Many classification methods have been proposed by researchers in machine learning, pattern recognition, and statistics. Classification has numerous applications, including fraud detection, target marketing, performance prediction, manufacturing, and medical diagnosis.

In literature a lot of classifiers were discussed. Decision tree classifier is one of the well known classifier. Given a object X, for which the associated class label is unknown, the attribute values of the object are tested against the decision tree. A path is traced from the root to a leaf node, which holds the class prediction for the object. Bayesian classifiers are statistical classifiers. They can predict class membership probabilities such as probability that a given object belongs to a particular class. A rule based classifier uses a set of IF-THEN rules for classification.

A neural network is a set of connected input/output units in which each connection has a weight associated with it. The weights are adjusted during the learning phase to help the network predict the correct class label of the input objects .A support vector machine is another classifier that transforms training data into a higher dimension, where it finds the hyper plane that separates the data by class using essential training objects called support vectors.

K-NN classifier, in which a new pattern is classified into the class with the most members present among the K nearest neighbours[1].K-NN classifiers require computing all the distances between the training sets and test sample, it is time-consuming if the available samples are of very great size. Besides, when the number of prototypes in the training set is not large enough, the K-NN rule is no longer optimal. This problem becomes more relevant when having few prototypes compared to the intrinsic dimensionality of the feature space. Neighbourhood rough set model (NEC) as a uniform framework to understand and implement neighbourhood classifiers[2].This algorithm integrates attribute reduction technique with classification learning.

Rough set theory [3], especially fuzzy rough set theory [4], which encapsulates two kinds of uncertainty of fuzziness and roughness into a single model, has attracted much attention from the domains of granular computing, machine learning, and uncertainty reasoning over the past decade. Fuzzy rough set theory has been successfully used in gene clustering, feature selection, attribute reduction, case generation, and rule extraction. The dependence function, which is defined as the ratio of the sizes of the lower approximation of classification over the universe, plays a key role in these applications. This function underlies a number of learning algorithms, including feature selection, attribute reduction, rule extraction, and decision trees. Due to the advantages of dependence function of fuzzy rough set fuzzy rough set models was developed.

Due to dependence function is sensitive to noise to overcome this problem a lot of robust fuzzy rough set models were developed in past. In 2003,Salido and Murakami presented a  $\beta$ -precision aggregation fuzzy rough set model based on  $\beta$ -precision aggregation triangular operators [5]. In 2004, the model of variable precision fuzzy rough sets (VPFRS) was introduced in [6], where the fuzzy memberships of a sample to the lower and upper approximations are computed with fuzzy inclusion. In 2007,Hu *et al.* introduced another fuzzy rough set model based on fuzzy granulation and fuzzy inclusion [7]. In addition, in 2007,Cornelis *et al.* presented a model called vaguely quantified rough sets (VQRS) [8], which was used in constructing a robust feature selection algorithm in 2008 [9]. In 2009, Zhao *et al.* constructed a new model, which is

called fuzzy variable precision rough sets (FVPRS), to handle noise of misclassification and perturbation [10].

In 2010,Hu *et al.* introduced a new robust model of fuzzy rough sets, which are called soft fuzzy rough sets, where soft threshold was used to compute fuzzy lower and upper approximations [11].It has a lot of advantages but in real-world application, the parameters used in the models have complex interaction ways with noise. Therefore, it is usually difficult to obtain an optimal value.

In 2012, Hu et al. introduced robust nearest neighbour fuzzy rough set (RNN-FRS) model and compared RNN-FRS model with other robust models like  $\beta$ -PFRS, VQRS, VPFRS, FVPRS and SFRS[12]. In that paper, robust nearest neighbour fuzzy rough classifier (RNN-FRC) was mentioned and that classifier performed best among them; But it was not given the details description of the RNN-FRC and its comparison with KNN and NN. In this paper, it is discussed and given the explanation of RNN-FRC algorithm and compared it with other classifier like KNN, NN and FR and shown that RNN-FRC is best a mong them. The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. First, we give preliminary knowledge of rough sets and fuzzy rough sets in Section II; then, we discuss the existing models of robust nearest neighbour fuzzy rough set models in Section III. Then, we introduce robust nearest neighbour fuzzy rough classifiers (RNN-FRC) in section IV. Experimental analysis is given in Section V. Finally, conclusions are drawn in Section VI.

#### II. PRELIMINARIES OF ROUGH SET AND FUZZY ROUGH SET

A. Rough Set

The Rough set concept can be defined quite generally by means of topological operations, interior and closure, called approximations.  $IS = \langle U, A \rangle$  is called an information table, where U is a finite and nonempty set of objects and A is a set of features used to characterize the objects.  $\forall B \subseteq A$ , a B-indiscernibility relation is defined as

 $IND(B) = \{(x, y) \in U \times U \mid \forall a \in B, a(x) = a(y)\}$ 

Then the partition of U generated by IND(B) is denoted by U/IND(B) (or U/B). The equivalence class of x induced by B-indiscernible relation is denoted by  $[x]_B$ .

Given an arbitrary  $X \subseteq U$ , R is an equivalence relation on U induced by a set of attributes.

• The lower approximations of X with respect to R are defined as

$$\underline{R}X = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{U} \mid [\mathbf{x}]_R \subseteq \mathbf{X}\}$$

The lower approximation of a set X with respect to R is the set of all objects, which can be for certain classified as X with respect to R (are certainly X with respect to R)

• The upper approximations of X with respect to R are defined as

$$RX = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{U} \mid [\mathbf{x}]_{R} \cap \mathbf{X} \neq \phi\}$$

The upper approximation of a set X with respect to R is the set of all objects which can be possibly classified as X with respect to R (are possibly X in view of R).

• R-boundary region of X is defined as

$$BN_R(X) = RX - \underline{R}X$$

The boundary region of a set X with respect to R is the set of all objects, which can be classified neither as X nor as not-X with respect to R.

• R-negative region of X is defined as

$$NEG_{p}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{U} - R\mathbf{X}$$

It contains those elements which completely do not belongs to X.

The definition of rough sets is

- Set X is crisp (exact with respect to R), if the boundary region of X is empty.
- Set X is rough (inexact with respect to R), if the boundary region of X is nonempty

The lower approximation is also called R-positive region of X, denoted by  $POS_R(X)$  .Given a decision table  $DS = \langle U, A \cup D \rangle$  D is the decision attribute. For  $\forall B \subseteq A$ , the positive region of decision D on B, denoted by  $POS_R(D)$ , is defined as

$$POS_B(D) = \bigcup_{X \in U/D} \underline{\underline{B}}X$$

Where, U/D is the set of the equivalence classes generated by D. The dependency of decision D on B is defined as

$$\gamma_B(\mathbf{D}) = \frac{\left| POS_B(\mathbf{D}) \right|}{\left| U \right|}$$

Dependency is the ratio of the samples in the lower approximation over the universe. As the lower approximation is the set of objects with consistent decisions, dependency is used to measure the classification performance of attributes. It is expected that all the decisions of objects are consistent with respect to the given attributes. In practice, inconsistency widely exists in data.

B. Fuzzy Rough Set

The Rough set model is constructed under the assumption that only discrete features exist in the information system. In practice, most of classification tasks are described with numerical features or fuzzy information. In this case, neighbourhood relations or fuzzy similarity relations are used and neighbourhood or fuzzy granules are generated. Then, we use these granules to approximate decision classes.

Given a nonempty universe U, R is a fuzzy binary relation on U. If R satisfies

(1) reflexivity: R(x, x)=1

(2) symmetry: R(x, y) = R(y, x)

(3)sup-min transitivity: R(x, y)

 $\sup\min_{z \in U} \{R(x, z), R(z, y)\}$ 

Then *R* is a fuzzy equivalence relation. The fuzzy equivalence class  $[x]_R$  associated with *x* and *R* is a fuzzy set on *U*, where  $[\mathbf{X}]_R(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  for all  $y \in U$ .

Let U be a nonempty universe, R be a fuzzy equivalence relation on U and X(U) be the fuzzy power set of U. Given a fuzzy set  $X \in X(U)$ , the lower and upper approximations are defined as

$$\begin{cases} \underline{R} X (\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{i} \prod_{y \in U} \mathbf{m} \operatorname{ax} (1 - \mathbf{R} (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{y})) \\ \overline{R} X (\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{s} \prod_{y \in U} \mathbf{m} \operatorname{in} (\mathbf{R} (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{y})) \end{cases}$$

These approximation operators were discussed in the view point of the constructive and axiomatic approaches. In 1998, Morsi and Yakout replaced fuzzy equivalence relation with a *T*-equivalence relation and built an axiom system of the model[13], where the lower and upper approximations of  $X \in X(U)$  are

$$\frac{R s X}{R_T} (\mathbf{x}) = \inf_{\mathbf{y} \in U} f S (N (R (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})), X (\mathbf{y}))$$
$$\overline{R_T} X (\mathbf{x}) = S \underset{\mathbf{y} \in U}{\mathbf{p}} T (R (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), X (\mathbf{y}))$$

Where, T is a triangular norm.

In 2002, based on and Radzikowska and Kerre introduced another model [14]:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{R_{\vartheta}}{R_{\sigma}}X(\mathbf{x}) = \inf_{\mathbf{y} \in U} \vartheta(\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{y})) \\ \overline{R_{\sigma}}X(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in U} \sigma(\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})), \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{y})) \end{cases}$$

In classification learning, samples are assigned with a class label and described with a group of features. Fuzzy equivalence relations can be generated with numerical or fuzzy features, while the decision variable divides the samples into some subsets. In this case, the task is to approximate these decision classes with the fuzzy equivalence classes induced with the features. Given a decision system  $\langle U, R, D \rangle$ , for a decision class  $Di \in U/D$ , the membership of a sample x to Di is

$$D_i(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1x \in D_i \\ 0x \notin Di \end{cases}$$

Then the membership of sample x to the fuzzy lower approximation of  $D_i$  is

$$\underline{R}D_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \inf_{y \in U} \max \{1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), D_{i}(\mathbf{y})\}\$$

$$= \inf_{y \in D_{i}} \max\{1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), 1\} \wedge \inf_{y \notin D_{i}} \max\{1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), 0\}\$$

$$= 1 \wedge \inf_{y \notin D_{i}} \{1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\} = \inf_{y \notin D_{i}} \{1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\}\$$

If we introduce Gaussian function

$$G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

to compute the similarity R, 1 - G(x, y) can be considered as a pseudo-distance function. Similarly, the membership of sample x to the fuzzy upper approximation of  $D_i$  is

$$RD_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in D_i} \min\{\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \mathbf{D}_i(\mathbf{y})\}$$

$$= \sup_{y \in D_i} \min \{ R(x, y), l \} \lor \sup_{y \notin D_i} \min \{ R(x, y), 0 \}$$
$$= \sup_{y \in D_i} \min \{ R(x, y) \} \lor 0 = \sup_{y \in D_i} \min \{ R(x, y) \}$$

 $y \in D_i$ We can see that  $\underline{R}D_i(\mathbf{x})$  is the distance from x to its nearest sample from different classes; while  $\overline{R}D_i(\mathbf{x})$  is the similarity between x and the nearest sample in  $D_i$ .

# III. ROBUST NEAREST NEIGHBOR FUZZY ROUGH SET MODEL

It was shown that both  $\underline{R_s}d_i(\mathbf{x})$  or  $\overline{R_r}d_i(\mathbf{x})$  depends on the nearest miss of x, i.e., the nearest sample from different classes of x. As we know, the statistics of minimum and maximum are very sensitive to noisy samples. Just one noisy sample would change the minimum or maximum of a random variable. The sensitiveness of these statistics leads to the poor performance of fuzzy rough sets in dealing with noisy datasets. RNN-FRS introduced robust statistics to substitute the operators of minimum and maximum in the fuzzy rough set model. So that it can be performed better in noisy environment.

# A .BASIC DEFINITIONS

Given a random variable X and its *n* samples  $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n$ sorted in the ascending order, the *k*-trimmed minimum of X is  $x_{k+1}$ ; the *k*-trimmed maximum of X is  $x_{n-k-1}$ ; *k*-mean minimum of X is  $\sum_{i=1}^{k} x_i / k$ ; *k*-mean maximum of X is  $\sum_{i=n-k}^{n} x_i / k$ , and *k*-median minimum of X is median( $x_1, x_2, ..., x_k$ ); *k*-mean maximum of X is median( $x_{n-k}, ..., x_n$ ), denoted by  $\min_{k-trimmed}(X)$ ,  $\max_{k-trimmed}(X)$ ,  $\min_{k-mean}(X)$ ,  $\max_{k-mean}(X)$ ,  $\min_{k-median}(X)$ , and  $\max_{k-median}(X)$ , respectively. Given  $DT = \langle U, A, D \rangle$ , *R* is a fuzzy similarity relation

Given  $DI = \langle C, A, D \rangle$ , *R* is a fuzzy similarity relation induced by *B* is subset *C* and *R*(*x*, *y*) monotonously decreases with their distance ||x - y||. If  $\mathbf{d}_i$  is one class of samples labelled with *i* and  $x \in \mathbf{d}_i$ , then the robust fuzzy rough operators are defined as

$$\frac{R_{S_{k-trimmed}}}{R_{T_{k-trimmed}}} d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\substack{y \notin d_{k-trimmed}}} 1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\overline{R_{T_{k-trimmed}}} d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-trimmed}}}} R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\frac{R_{\vartheta}}{R_{\sigma}}_{k-trimmed} d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-trimmed}}}} \sqrt{1 - R^{2}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

$$\overline{R_{\sigma}}_{k-trimmed} d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-trimmed}}}} 1 - \sqrt{1 - R^{2}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

$$\frac{R_{S_{k-mean}}}{R_{T_{k-mean}}}d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\substack{y \notin d_{k-mean}}} 1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\overline{R_{T_{k-mean}}}d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-mean}}}} R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\frac{R_{\vartheta_{k-mean}}}{R_{\sigma_{k-mean}}}d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-mean}}}} \sqrt{1 - R^{2}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

$$\overline{R_{\sigma_{k-mean}}}d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-mean}}}} 1 - \sqrt{1 - R^{2}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

$$\frac{R_{S_{k-median}}}{R_{T_{k-median}}}d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\substack{y \notin d_{k-median}}} 1 - R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\overline{R_{T_{k-median}}}d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-median}}}} R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\frac{R_{\vartheta_{k-median}}}{R_{\sigma_{k-median}}}d_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\substack{y \notin d_{i_{k-median}}}} \sqrt{1 - R^{2}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

The aforementioned models do not compute the lower and upper approximations with respect to the nearest samples as they might be outliers. These new models use k-trimmed or the mean or the median of k nearest samples to compute the membership of fuzzy approximations. This way, the variation of approximations caused by outliers is expected to be reduced; thus, the new models may be robust.

Given a binary classification task,  $x \in d_1$  is a normal sample, and  $y_1 \in d_2$  is an outlier close to x such that  $R(x, y_1) = 0.9$ . While as a normal sample,  $y_2 \in d_2$  is the second nearest sample of x from  $d_2$ , and  $R(x, y_2) = 0.2$ . As per the classical fuzzy rough set model,  $R_{s}d_{1}(x) = 1 - R(x, y_{1}) = 1 - 0.9 = 0.1$ . However, if we use the 1-trimmed model,  $R_{\underline{S}_{1-trimmed}} d_1(\mathbf{x}) = 1 - R(x, y_2) = 0.8$ . This way, the noisy sample is ignored in the new model. At the same time, assume  $x_1 \in d_1$  is the second nearest sample of  $y_1$ , and  $R(x_1, y_1) = 0.88$ . According to the classical model,  $R_s d_2(y_1) = 1 - R(x, y_1) = 1 - 0.9 = 0.1$  and as per the 1trimmed model,  $\underline{R_{S_1-trimmed}} d_2(\mathbf{x}) = 1 - R(x_1, y_1) = 0.12.$ It is seen that although the nearest sample x is ignored,  $y_1$ still obtains a small value of membership. In fact, the membership should be small enough since  $y_1$  is a noisy sample. This example shows that the proposed model can not only reduce the influence of noisy samples on computation of approximations of normal samples but can recognize the noisy samples and give small memberships to them as well.

# IV.ROBUST NEAREST NEIGHBOR FUZZY ROUGH CLASSIFIER(RNN-FRC)

In this section, we design a robust classifier with RNN-FRS approximation. The idea of this classifier comes from nearest neighbour rule (NN). Sample x is classified to the class of the nearest neighbour of x. Here nearest neighbour is determined by k-trimmed, k-mean and k-median.

Fuzzy rough classifier (FRC) is designed as follows. Given a set of training samples with m classes, x is an unseen sample. We compute m memberships of x to fuzzy lower approximations of m classes. Finally, x is classified to the class producing the maximal membership as x belongs to this class with the greatest consistency.

Now we replace the fuzzy lower approximation with the robust fuzzy lower approximation for a robust classifier. We call it Robust Nearest Neighbour fuzzy rough classifier (RNN-FRC).It works in a similar way with FRS. We compute the memberships of an unseen sample to the soft fuzzy lower approximations of each class.

# A. RNN-FRS Algorithm

Given a set of training samples  $DT = \langle U, A, D \rangle$ , x is a test sample. We compute the fuzzy lower approximation of each candidate class with different fuzzy rough set models. The decision function is

 $class = \arg_{d_i} \max \{ \underline{R}^* class_1(\mathbf{x}), \underline{R}^* class_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \underline{R}^* class_k(\mathbf{x}) \}$ 

Where  $\underline{R}^*$  is a certain fuzzy lower approximation operator Formally, the classification algorithm is given in Table 1. This algorithm assigns x the class label which achieves the Pargest fuzzy lower approximation. Suppose  $x \in class_j$ .

We compute  $\underline{R}^* class_j(\mathbf{x})$ . If x really belongs to  $class_j$ , it will be far from the samples in the other classes.

Table 1: RNN-FRS Classifier

Input training set  

$$X = \{(\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{y}_{1}), (\mathbf{x}_{2}, \mathbf{y}_{2}), ..., (\mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{y}_{n})\}$$
and test set  $\mathbf{X}' = \{\mathbf{x}'_{1}, \mathbf{x}'_{2}, ..., \mathbf{x}'_{m}\}$   
Process label  $\leftarrow \phi$   
classnum=max  $(\mathbf{y}_{1}, \mathbf{y}_{2}, ..., \mathbf{y}_{n})$ -min  $(\mathbf{y}_{1}, \mathbf{y}_{2}, ..., \mathbf{y}_{n})$ +1  
For i=1:m  
degree  $\leftarrow \phi$   
For class=1:classnum  
degree(class)  $\leftarrow \underline{R*class}(\mathbf{x}'_{i})$   
end  
class\*  $\leftarrow \underset{class}{\operatorname{arg}} \max(\operatorname{degree})$   
label $(\mathbf{x}'_{i}) \leftarrow \operatorname{class}^{*}$   
Return label  
Output label

Thus, <u> $R^*class_j(x)$ </u> should be large; otherwise, <u> $R^*class_j(x)$ </u> is small. Therefore, the earlier algorithm is rational to classify x into the class label producing the largest fuzzy lower approximation if no class noise exists.

However, if there are class-noisy samples, the previous algorithm may not work when the classical fuzzy rough set model is employed, while the robust model is still effective in this case. Some numerical experiments are described to prove effectiveness of RNN-FRC in the numerical experiments section

#### B. Robustness evaluation of Different Classifiers

It is also known as comparison of classification performance. So Robustness of different classifiers are evaluated using Average classification accuracies. It is the measure used to evaluate the performance of classifiers.

Accuracy = (correctly classified instances) / (Total no. of instances)\*100%

1. Accuracy = (TP+TN) / (TP+FP+TN+FN)

2. Sensitivity = (TP/TP+FN)\*100%

3. Specificity = (TN/TN+FP) \* 100%

Where, TP = true positive, TN = true negative FP = false positive, FN = false negative

In 10-fold cross-validation, the original sample is randomly partitioned into 10- equal subsamples. size Of the 10 subsamples, a single subsample is retained as the validation data for testing the model, and the remaining 9subsamples are used as training data. The cross-validation process is then repeated 10 times (the folds), with each of the 10 subsamples used exactly once as the validation data. The 10 results from the folds can then be averaged (or otherwise combined) to produce a single estimation. The advantage of this method over repeated random subsampling is that all observations are used for both training and validation, and each observation is used for validation exactly once.

#### **IV. NUMERICAL EXPERIMENTS**

The simulation process is carried on a machine having Intel(R) core (TM) 2 Duo processor 2.40 GHz and 2.00 GB of RAM. The MATLAB version used is R2012(a).The simulation was carried out with 4 data sets collected from University of California, Irvine(UCI)Machine Learning Repository[15].

#### A. Data sets

Four datasets from University of California, Irvine (UCI) Machine Learning Repository are used. The information related to the datasets is shown in table 2.

Table 2: Summaries of data sets

Dataset	Samples	Features	Classes	
Iris	150	4	3	
Wdbc	569	30	2	
Wine	178	13	3	
Wpbc	198	30	2	

# B. Dataset Split

In the process of Classification, the dataset is split into ten parts. The randomly chosen 90% of objects are used as the training set and the remainder 10% as the testing set.

C. Parameter Specification

We use Gaussian kernel to compute the fuzzy similarity relations between samples and the kernel parameter  $\sigma = 0.15$ , k=3.

D. Simulation Result

In this section we do some numerical experiments to show robustness of the proposed classifier.

Table 3: Classification accuracy(%) on real world data set

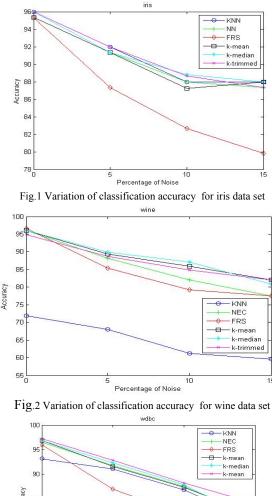
Data sets	Noise Level	KNN	NEC	FRS	k- mean	k- median	k- trimme d
Iris	0%	96.00	96.00	95.33	95.33	96.00	96.00
	5%	92.00	91.33	87.33	91.33	91.33	92.00
	10%	88.00	88.00	82.67	87.23	88.82	88.67
	15%	88.00	87.33	79.83	88.00	88.00	87.33
Wine	0%	71.91	96.07	96.63	96.07	96.07	94.94
	5%	67.98	88.20	85.39	89.33	89.89	88.76
	10%	61.24	82.02	79.21	85.96	87.08	84.83
	15%	59.55	77.53	77.53	82.02	80.90	82.02
Wdbc	0%	93.15	96.49	95.96	96.84	96.84	97.19
	5%	91.04	91.74	86.99	91.56	92.27	92.79
	10%	86.82	87.52	81.72	87.35	87.85	88.22
	15%	80.49	81.55	72.23	81.72	80.49	84.01
Wpbc	0%	73.23	77.27	69.70	77.78	77.27	78.28
	5%	72.73	75.76	69.70	76.77	75.76	77.27
	10%	71.21	71.72	65.66	74.24	69.70	73.23
	15%	69.19	65.66	62.63	67.17	65.15	67.68
Average		78.90	84.64	80.53	85.54	85.21	85.82

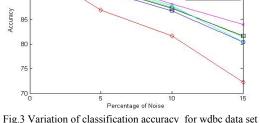
The classification accuracy of different classifiers computed with 10 fold cross validation is shown in table 3.First raw data sets are taken and its classification accuracies is shown with zero noise level. Since we know that attribute noise has less impact on computation of classification accuracy. So, here we do not take attribute noise. We here only consider class noise for accuracy c0mputation.Here 5%,10% and then 15% class noise data sets are taken and classification accuracy are shown in the table 3.

For considering iris data set we see that all the classifiers perform well; when there is no noise and KNN classifier performs best. But in noise environment as noise increases only FRS classifier reduces rapidly others remains nearly same. So for iris data set FRS classifier performs worst and others perform better on noisy data set. It is shown in fig.1.

In fig.2, FRS classifier performs best and KNN classifier performs worst and k-mean, k-median, k-trimmed performs average when there is no noise in the wine data set. But introducing noise k-trimmed, k-mean and k-median performs best, NEC and FRS average and K-NN worst.

In wdbc data set k-trimmed performs best in both noiseless and noisy environment. The k-mean, NEC performs well after that k-median and K-NN.FRS performs worst in noisy environment. It is shown in fig.3.





Considering fig.4, we see that k-trimmed performs best in raw data set and also in noisy data set. The k-mean, kmedian and NEC performs average. But classification performance of KNN and FRS reduces rapidly with increase in noise.FRS performs worst.

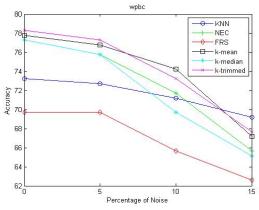


Fig.4 Variation of classification accuracy for wpbc data set

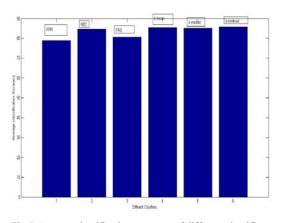


Fig.5 Average classification accuracy of different classifier

Fig.5 shows average classification performance of RNN-FRC i.e. k-mean, k-trimmed and k-median performs best.NEC performance in between RNN-FRC and FRS. Average classification performance of KNN classifier is worst among these classifiers.

#### VI. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

KNN, NEC and FRS classifiers are widely discussed and have applied in many classification applications. Similarly Robust Nearest Neighbour fuzzy rough classifiers (RNN-FRC) is recently discussed. All classifiers are good but there was no comparison was done to show among them best. In this paper we compared RNN-FRC with KNN, NEC and FRS classifiers on both raw and noisy data sets and shown than all three classifiers of RNN-FRC perform best. Out of the three classifiers of RNN-FRC, K-trimmed based RNN-FRC shows best result both in average and for individual data sets. After RNN-FRC, NEC classifier is better than FRS classifier and Finally KNN classifiers. Our future scope is to use RNN-FRC for feature selection.

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