

User Guide 3.0



Note : Scrubber 3.X is being ported to [Apache cTAKES](#), this is an interim BETA release.

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1. Intended usages

1.1 Default configuration



We recommend starting with the default properties and prebuilt [train/test](#) models. The train and test models are anonymized feature sets generated by scrubber runtime (**NOT text**).



[scrubber.properties](#) : all supported config options and features in one place.
[Apache UIMA](#), [Apache cTAKES](#), and WEKA distribution jars are loaded dynamically.

1.2 Customize NLP pipeline

- Scrubber uses Apache UIMA and Apache cTAKES packages, which together provide the NLP pipeline for lexical parsing and medical concept annotation. Generated feature sets are exported to the SQL database or model file (CSV, ARFF). The UIMA and cTAKES services used by Scrubber are defined and configured using [scrubber.properties](#).

1.3 Customize Classifier

- Scrubber can use different classifier implementations without recompiling the software.
- By default scrubber dynamically loads the popular WEKA C4.5 decision tree classifier with multi-class support.

2. Software Features

2.1 Annotation

- Annotate word tokens and redact PHI from physician notes
- cTAKES lexical parsing and medical dictionary annotation
- WEKA multi-class decision tree classifier (plugin default)
- [Protege UI support](#) for human expert curators (reads output)
- Generate feature sets containing lexical properties, [medical concept codes](#), and human defined rules

2.2 Models

- Prebuilt train and test models can be imported to Weka (default), Matlab, or R
- (default) Test your local physician notes without retraining
- (optional) Retrain model using local physician note samples, publications, and medical dictionaries.

2.3 Classification

- Distinguish (*classify*) private patient data from coded medical concepts and commonly used words

2.4 Compare Text

- Compare lexical properties and distributions of public and private text sources

3. How To

3.X Install / Train / Test / Scrub

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Core Functions

1. install
2. training a model (TRAIN)
3. scrubbing cases (TEST)
4. processing publications
5. properties

Install

To complete setup you must execute **install.sh** . This will do the following:

1. create a database (default: 'scrubber')
2. create tables
3. create a database user (default: 'scrubber')
4. populate lookup tables
5. download external dependencies (cTAKES, Weka)

If you choose to recreate the lookup tables yourself there is helper code supplied for this task.

There is a script provide for this `lookup_umls` table that contains the subset of the UMLS used in this application however, due to licensing restrictions it DOES NOT contain the UMLS CUID. The provided script is found in `sql/insert_lookup_umls.sql` and is executed as part of **install.sh**

1. To recreate the **Lookup_umls** table
 - a. Install a local instance of the UMLS
 - b. Execute `sql/create_umls_tables_from_local_install.sql`

There is a script provided to re-process publications in the event you desire to recreate the **lookup_term_frequency** table manually. To do so, execute **processPublications.sh** . This assumes that you have provided the set of open access publications that you wish to process.

The pre-processed term frequencies that are used in the Scrubber by default were calculated from a randomly selected 10,000 publication subset of the open access publications and is provided in `sql/insert_lookup_term_frequency.sql` (By default this is executed as part of **install.sh**).

1. To recreate the **lookup_term_frequency** table
 - a. Acquire the set of publications you wish to process
 - b. Execute **processPublications.sh**

Training a model (TRAIN)

1. Supply cases in either Spin XML format or plain text in the appropriate directory as defined in the properties section.
2. By default a trained model has been supplied for you and is located in `/data/models/train.arff`

3. To generate a new train model, execute **train.sh**. This will overwrite the supplied model based on your provided training set.

Scrubbing cases (TEST)

1. Supply cases in either Spin XML format or plain text in the appropriate directory as defined in the properties section.
2. By default a test model has been supplied for you and is located in **/data/models/test.arff**
3. To generate a new test model, execute **test.sh**. This will overwrite the supplied model and evaluate the new test model against the corresponding train model (located in **/data/models/train.arff**).
4. Scrubbed output is stored in **/data/scrubbed/test/**

Processing publications

1. Download open access publication set from NLM
 - a. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/tools/ftp/>
2. By default a random selection of 10,000 publications have already been processed and provided for you through **install.sh**
3. To reprocess publication, download the desired data set and execute **processPublications.sh**

Properties

There are many configurable properties defined in **scrubber.properties**.
Additional details are supplied in ScrubberProperties.java.

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| MYSQL_ADMIN_USER | Mysql super user username |
| MYSQL_ADMIN_PWD | Mysql super user password |
| DB_DRIVER | Database driver, default is mysql |
| DB_NAME | Normal db username, default is 'scrubber' |
| DB_USER | Normal db username, default is 'scrubber' |
| DB_PWD | Normal db username, default is 'scrubber' |
| DB_URI | DB connection string, default assumes localhost |
| DIR_INPUT_HUMAN_ANNOTATIONS_TRAIN | Directory containing human annotated files used for training |
| DIR_INPUT_HUMAN_ANNOTATIONS_TEST | Directory containing human annotated files used for testing |
| HUMAN_ANNOTATIONS_IMPLEMENTATION | Class used for processing human annotated files. (alternative classes are available in the same package.) |
| DIR_INPUT_PUBS_XML | Directory containing open access publications in XML format. Only necessary if re-processing publications |
| DIR_INPUT_PUBS_TXT | Directory containing open access publications in TXT format. Produced by processing XML publications. |
| DIR_INPUT_PUBS_PROCESSED | Directory containing TXT format open access publications with inline citations removed. Produced by processing TXT publications. |
| DIR_INPUT_TRAIN | Input directory for TRAIN cases |
| DIR_INPUT_TEST | Input directory for TEST cases |
| DIR_OUTPUT_TEST | Output directory for scrubbed TEST cases |
| DIR_MODELS | Directory containing the TRAIN/TEST models |
| FILE_MODEL_TRAIN | TRAIN model filename |

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| FILE_MODEL_TEST | TEST model filename |
| UIMA_READER_IMPL_TRAIN | Implementation of UIMA file reader used for TRAIN (default is XML, alternative options available in the same package.) |
| UIMA_READER_IMPL_TEST | Implementation of UIMA file reader used for TEST (default is XML, alternative options available in the same package.) |
| UIMA_READER_IMPL_PUBS | Implementation of UIMA file reader used for PUBS (default is TXT, alternative options available in the same package.) |
| CLASSIFICATION_COST_MATRIX | Cost matrix used as input to the J48 classification algorithm |
| LOCALHOST_NUM_THREADS | Number of threads to execute simultaneously, default=2. |

Scrubber Property KEY = VALUE

4. scrubber.properties

4.1 Java Object

- [ScrubberProperties.java](#) statically binds scrubber.properties at startup

4.2 Java Template

- [TemplateFileProcessor.java](#) IO and token replacement of default configuration files

4.3 Shell scripts

- [setClassPath.sh](#) sets the java classpath and exports the shell variables

4.4 Shell UnitTest

- [ScrubberPropertiesTest.java](#) demonstrates binding scrubber.properties to shell commands.