Data Mining Techniques for Prediction of Wheat Crop Production

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Abstract: “Agriculture is the art and science of growing plants and other crops and for food, other human needs, or economic gain”. India is an agricultural country.

Two-third of the population is dependent on agriculture directly or indirectly. In this research work, the main focus is on analysis of prediction of wheat crop production of Madhya Pradesh state on the basis of area harvested, rainfall and soil type by using data mining techniques and also build an efficient model for prediction of wheat crop production.

Keywords: Data Mining, Artificial Neural Network (ANN), Generalized Linear Model (GLM), Random Forest, Recursive Partitioning and regression tree (RPART), Crop Prediction

I. INTRODUCTION

India is an agricultural country. Agriculture provides the highest contribution to national income. There are many serious problems like- Erosion, Diseases, Pests, Weeds, Drought, Rainfall that people face trying to grow food today.

Data Mining is simply an approach for extracting intention based knowledge from the raw data set. Data mining can also be used to explore huge data, the most frequent set of patterns in a dataset.

The main aim behind the actual Data mining procedure is to mine the information data from a large collection of data and change it into an explainable framework for additional use.

Data Mining techniques are mostly used in the scenario where prediction based problems need to be handled. Traditional approaches of data mining mostly suitable for basic clustering, forecasting and classification problems. Data mining can be used for Prediction, Identification, Classification, and Optimization.

Applying the Data Mining classification and prediction techniques on climate-related data and crop-related data. Various predictions can be made on the basis of predicted result which can help in increasing crop production rate. Data mining plays a crucial role in decision making on several issues related to the agriculture field.

Applicability of data mining techniques in agriculture, crop planning, and crop management can change the way of farming farmers can yield in a much efficient way.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

A. In 2011 D. Rajesh described “Application of Spatial Data Mining for Agriculture” In this paper author have proposed a method to extract a pattern from spatial database using k-means clustering algorithm[6].

B. In 2015 A.T.M Shakil Ahamed et. al tested few data mining techniques for prediction of the annual yield of major crops in Bangladesh. In this paper, the clustering technique is used to predict the results. There are parameters such as temperature, humidity, minimum temperature, maximum temperature, average sunshine, Soil PH and salinity are used to predict the Annual crop production. K-means clustering is used by the author for recommending plant crops in the districts of Bangladesh[4].

C. In 2018 Belabel Image et. al., proposed an approach for extracting information by using data mining approaches in three domains, bioinformatics, medicine, and agriculture industry. Initially, the variables are clustered to increase the functionality, and the association rules are used between the target variables and the previously identified set of variables [5].

III. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

A. Dataset

Data used in this experimental is verified from data.gov.in and indiawaterportal.org. There were wheat crop data of 5 years of 50 districts of Madhya Pradesh. The attributes are in this data set are- district, year, area (in hectare), production (in metric ton), rainfall (in mm) and soil type.
Parameters included are:
1) District
2) Year
3) Area of Harvest
4) Production of Wheat
5) Rainfall
6) Type of Soil

Data Set may contain other information according to crop behavior.

IV. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

For testing of this model raw agricultural data is taken. Other agricultural data can also be used as an input in this model. The data should be authentic and verified by any governmental organization or an agricultural research institute. The authentic data generates more accurate results and those results can lead towards the efficient generation of rules for optimized farming.
1) **Data Collection:** Raw Data generated every year contains lots of information about the crop. Certain features associated with a crop makes the data quite large.

2) **Data Preprocessing:** This step makes the data ready to be processed. Processes include handling of noisy values, removal of redundant values. Selection of proper attributes, etc.

3) **Data Splitting:** For training of the model certain amount of data is required. Similarly for testing and validation the remaining amount of data is provided. Data Splitting includes the ratio in which training data and testing data is separated.

4) **Classification:** Classification is the process of classifying data into class labels. These labels are generated on the basis of parameters.

5) **Prediction:** Predictive approaches are applied to determine the valid functions on the basis of their continuity.

The classification and predictive approaches tested for wheat crop data are as follows:

a. **RPART:** RPART is a “Recursive Partitioning and Regression Tree”. The RPART approach classifies the data on regression models. It includes 2 stage procedure, the output can be represented as a binary tree.

b. **Random Forest:** Belongs to the family of supervised learning approaches, suitable for the classification and regression problems as well. Basic working ideas behind this approach are multiple collections of tree-structured classifiers.

c. **Generalized Linear Model:** Generalised linear model, applicable to the data contains numerical as well as the continuous target variable. The approach computes the response of the explanatory variable by modeling a linear function along with the error term association.

d. **Artificial Neural Network:** An artificial neural network often just called a neural network. ANN is an efficient and most used approach in the field of the computing system. The idea behind the ANN is based on Biological Neurons in the human brain.

**V. EXPERIMENT**

From fig. 3-6 shows the comparison between actual production and predicted production by using RPART, Random Forest, Generalized Linear Model, and Neural Network.

![Figure. 3 Actual Production Vs Predicted Production by RPART](image)

![Figure. 4 Actual Production Vs Predicted Production by Random forest](image)
Figure. 5 Actual Production Vs Predicted Production by GLM

Figure. 6 Actual Production Vs Predicted Production by Artificial Neural Network

VI. RESULTS

Figure 7 show the comparison between the actual product and predicted the production of the wheat crop on the basis of area, rainfall, and soil type by using four classifiers- RPART, Random Forest, Generalised Linear Model, and Neural Network. And fig. 8 show the accuracy and error comparison between these classifiers.

Figure. 7 Comparison Graph between Actual Production and Predicted Production
VII. CONCLUSION

In this research, four classifiers are used namely are Recursive Partitioning & Regression tree, Random forest, Generalized linear model and Neural Network. By providing mentioned parameters, the above study shows that Random Forest is an efficient classifier for prediction of wheat crop production. The accuracy of this model is 94.33% and the error is 5.67%.

VIII. FUTURE WORK

The efficiency of this model can be increased by integrating Machine learning algorithms in the future to get more accurate results. These classifiers can be applied for prediction of other crops produced in India and other countries as well. For improving efficiency, existing optimization techniques can also be applied after slight parameter tuning.

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