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# A Model for Classifying Rice Varieties Grown in Turkey Using Image-Based Morphological Features and Machine Learning

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**Abstract:** Rice is one of the important cereals which feeds more than half of the world's population. It is used frequently in a variety of flavourful recipes. In this work, a dataset of Cammeo and Osmancik species found in Turkey has been selected for the study. It have 3810 samples containing seven morphological features.

The feature ranking methods like Fisher score, FSV, infFS, Laplacian, ReliefF, MCFS and MUTinfFS are selected and applied on the above datasets for the purpose of finding key features for proper feature selection. After selecting key feature values, feature vector have been prepared. Then, Support vector machine technique was applied for classification based on the results obtained from feature ranking techniques.

Training and testing prediction accuracy was also calculated. It has been observed that the classification by SVM based on FSV performed top during training process. Whereas, classification by SVM based on Fisher score as well as based on FSV both performed top during testing.

Prediction accuracy of 93.57% was found in both the cases during testing and validation which is quite good when compared with existing work. During testing, minimum value of missed alarm percentage was found in case of fisher score and minimum value of false alarm percentage was found in the case of FSV. Furthermore, one of the main advantage of our system is that it need only four out of seven parameters for the purpose of classification. The validation statistics like sensitivity (0.91), specificity (0.96), false positive rate (0.04), false negative rate (0.09), positive predictive power (0.95) and negative predictive power (0.93) indicated promising results. This simple model enables the classification of rice grain and holds great potential for future improvements.

**Keywords:** Rice; Feature selection schemes; Fisher score, InfFS; FSV; Laplacian; MCFS; MutInfFS; ReliefF; Support Vector Machine;

## I. INTRODUCTION

Rice is a common cereal in Indian, Asian and cuisines of most of the countries of the world. It is used frequently in a variety of flavourful recipes. Mostly length of the grain and flavour are considered while selection. Quality of the rice also depends on amount of broken rice in it. It is desired to have very less or nil amount of the broken rice. . People around the world love to eat rice due to its best quality.

Rice[1] mainly passes from different stages before coming into the market for consumption. The steps includes cleaning process, color sorting and classification. During cleaning process rice grains are separated from foreign matters. In color extraction, stained and striped ones are separated so that a clear whiteness on the rice surface remains. Finally, classification is done which ultimately separates broken ones with solid ones.

In this paper, we are more focussed on two species of rice that grows in Turkey. The processing stages for the planned model have been given in figure 1.

Initially, dataset of rice have been collected. Various morphological feature set have been arranged. Feature selection method like Fisher score have been computed for the purpose of finding key features for proper feature selection. After selecting key feature values, feature vector have been prepared. Support vector machine is applied for the purpose of classification. Testing have been carried out. Finally the system has been tested and validated.

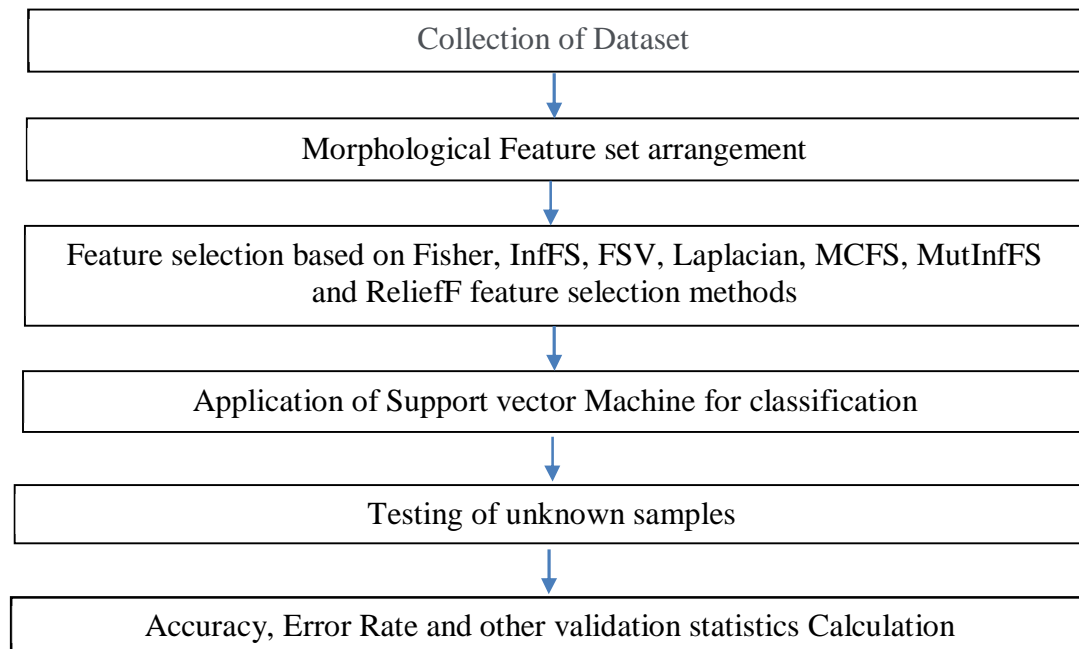


Figure 1. Block diagram of the planned model

The paper has been outlined as follows. Introduction and plan of work has been discussed in section 1. Literature review and different feature selection methods have been described in section 2. The comprehensive work and results have been incorporated in section 3. The testing and validation have also been argued in this section. The paper concludes with section 4.

## II. METHODS AND MATERIAL

### A. Morphological Image Processing

It is used to extract image components that are useful in the representation and description of a region or shape [2]. It is used for quantitative description such as area, perimeter, major axis length, minor axis length etc. It helps in characterizing an object adequately so that it may be unambiguously classified. Some of the morphological features [3, 4] as given below.

- 1) *Area*: The area is the number of pixels in a shape.
- 2) *Perimeter*: The perimeter is the number of pixels in the boundary of the object.
- 3) *The major-axis Length*: It is the pixel distance between the major-axis endpoints.
- 4) *Minor Axis Length*: It is the pixel distance between the minor-axis endpoints.
- 5) *Eccentricity*: It is the ratio of the length of the short (minor) axis to the length of the long (major) axis of an object. Its value lies between 0 and 1.
- 6) *The Convex Area*: It is the area of the convex hull that encloses the object.
- 7) *Extent*: The ratio of the region formed by the rice grain to the bounding box pixels. The bounding box or bounding rectangle of an object is a rectangle which circumscribes the object. The dimensions of the bounding box are those of the major and minor axes.

### B. Feature Ranking Methods

In order to make good predictions on testing sets, we use several feature ranking methods [5, 6] to gain knowledge of the data. Feature selection [7] is a dimensionality reduction technique that reduces the number of attributes to a manageable size for processing and analysis. It does not alter the original feature set rather selects a subset by eliminating all the features whose presence in the dataset does not positively affect the learning model. Thus preserves the original semantics of the features which makes it easy to interpret. Using a set of features a machine learning technique can perform classification [8]. Selecting an optimal subset of relevant and non-redundant features is a challenging task. Since there is a trend off, if too many features are selected it causes the classifier to have a high workload which can decrease the classification accuracy.

On the other hand, if too few features are selected there is a possibility of eliminating features that would have increased the classification accuracy. Thus, there is a need to get an optimal subset of relevant and non-redundant features which will give an optimal solution without decreasing the classification accuracy.

- 1) *infFS*: Infinite Feature Selection (InfFS) [9] is a graph-based selection algorithm in which each feature is a node in the graph, each feature is mapped on the graph to form a path. InfFS constructs a graph by considering an infinite number of paths connecting all the features and uses the convergence properties of power series of matrices. It investigates the importance of each possible subset of features. After that, the algorithm assigns a final score to each feature of the obtained set, where the score is related to how good the feature performed in the classification task.
- 2) *Fisher Score*: Fisher score [10] is one of the most widely used supervised feature selection methods. However, it selects each feature independently according to their scores under the Fisher criterion, which leads to a suboptimal subset of features. Fisher filter is a fast FS technique that calculates the score of a feature w.r.t. the ratio of between-class separation and within-class variance.
- 3) *FSV*: Feature Selection via Concave minimization (FSV) [11] is an embedded FS technique that makes use of linear programming approach to inject the FS procedure into the training phase of a support vector machine.
- 4) *Laplacian Score*: Laplacian Score (LS) [12] mainly relies on Laplacian Eigenmaps and Locality Preserving Projection. LS uses the locality preserving power of features in order to evaluate their importance. This has been done by means of a nearest neighbour graph, which is constructed to model the geometric structure of data.
- 5) *MCFS*: Multi-cluster feature selection (MCFS) [13] It assumes that the selected features should preserve the cluster structure of the data, for which the manifold structure has been used. Additionally, MCFS ensures that all possible clusters are covered using by the selected features.
- 6) *MUTinfFS*: Mutual Information Feature Selection (MutInfFS) [14] finds the best set of features in a greedy approach. In this process, a feature with the highest influence on the class relevance is determined at each step. The selection, on the other hand, is conducted based on a proportional term, which indicates the intersection of the nominated feature and the pool of features at hand.
- 7) *ReliefF*: It is a supervised and randomized feature selection technique that measures feature qualities in an iterative manner. To do so, ReliefF [15] determines to what extent features values differentiate samples in a small neighbourhood. Nevertheless, feature redundancy may not be perceived by this algorithm, and, thus, the best feature set may not be attained.

### C. Linear Support Vector Machine

Support Vector Machine (SVM) [16, 17, 18] was first heard in 1992, introduced by Boser, Guyon, and Vapnik in COLT-92. Support vector machines (SVMs) are a set of related supervised learning methods used for classification and regression. Support Vector Machine (SVM) is a classification and regression prediction tool that uses machine learning theory to maximize predictive accuracy while automatically avoiding over-fit to the data.

## III. EXPERIMENTS AND RESULTS

### A. Collection of Rice Dataset

People of Turkey mainly eat rice and two of the certified rice species are Cammeo and Osmancik. The Cammeo species grown in turkey since 2014. This species is also very famous and consumed by lots of people. The Osmancik specie are also grown in turkey since last 25 years. It has a large planting area since then. Cammeo and Osmancik species have been selected for the study. The Cammeo species [19] have wide and long, glassy and dull in appearance. The dataset has been collected directly from the University of California-Irvine (UCI) Machine Learning repository, which has 3810 rows containing seven morphological features. The dataset has been created by taking a total of 3810 rice grain images of two species. They have been processed and feature values were extracted.

### B. Morphological Feature set arrangement

A dataset consisting of 3810 samples containing data for both Cammeo and Osmancik species has been taken. Morphological features [20] like Area, Perimeter, Major Axis Length, Minor Axis Length, Eccentricity, Convex Area and Extent have been selected for further studies as per given table 1.

Table 1. Morphological features and their particulars

Feature	Remarks
Area	The number of pixels within the boundaries of the rice grain.
Perimeter	The circumference is by calculating the distance between pixels around the boundaries of the rice grain.
Major Axis Length	The longest line that can be drawn on the rice grain, (the main axis distance).
Minor Axis Length	The shortest line that can be drawn on the rice grain, (the small axis distance).
Eccentricity	It measures how round the ellipse is (the same moments as the rice grain).
Convex Area	The pixel count of the smallest convex shell of the region formed by the rice grain.
Extent:	The ratio of the region formed by the rice grain to the bounding box pixels

**C. Feature Selection**

A number of features [21] are required to be selected for proper classification of Cammeo and Osmancik species rice. Though, not all features are uniformly significant for precise assignment. A few of them may be redundant or even inappropriate. We can only achieve superior outcome by neglecting those inappropriate features. Therefore, feature selection is a useful measure to differentiate among important and unimportant features. The aim of feature selection is to take out important features with lower dimensionality whereas conserve satisfactory information and thereby improved feature separability in feature space. The features are ranked based on statistical computation. A non-parametric statistical assessment such as Laplacian score, Fisher score are more frequently used in literature. We have selected seven feature ranking methods as Fisher score [22], FSV [11], infFS [9], Laplacian [23], ReliefF [15], MCFS [13] and MUTinfFS [14]. The accuracy, error rate and confusion matrix have been calculated for different number of features.

Table 2: Feature set arrangement

Feature set	Number of features
{Area, Perimeter}	2
{Area, Perimeter, Major Axis Length }	3
{Area, Perimeter, Major Axis Length, Minor Axis Length }	4
{Area, Perimeter, Major Axis Length, Minor Axis Length , Eccentricity }	5
{Area, Perimeter, Major Axis Length, Minor Axis Length , Eccentricity, Convex Area }	6
{Area, Perimeter, Major Axis Length, Minor Axis Length, Eccentricity, Convex Area, Extent}	7

**D. Application of linear Support Vector Machine classifier on different feature selection methods**

Various feature selection methods as given above has been taken and linear support vector machine [24] have been applied to get the boundary line and classification. The results have been given below.

Table 3: Training Accuracy for different types of feature ranking methods.

Ranking Method	Number of features					
	2	3	4	<u>5</u>	6	<u>7</u>
infFS	92.62%	92.09%	92.62%	92.22%	87.76%	87.50%
Fisher	91.09%	92.75%	92.29%	92.55%	92.52%	92.85%
FSV	91.96%	93.14%	92.16%	<b>93.36%</b>	92.55%	77.53%
Laplacian	92.13%	92.16%	92.39%	92.19%	87.99%	87.57%
MCFS	92.42%	92.62%	92.45%	92.42%	92.39%	92.42%
MUTinfFS	92.49%	92.26%	92.39%	92.72%	92.45%	<b>93.36%</b>
Relief F	92.32%	92.88%	92.45%	92.75%	93.27%	92.42%

Table 4: Training error rate for different types of feature ranking methods.

Ranking Method	Number of features					
	2	3	4	5	6	7
infFS	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.12	0.13
Fisher	0.09	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07
FSV	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.22
Laplacian	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.12	0.12
MCFS	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08
MUTinfFS	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.07
Relief F	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.08

After training process it was observed that the classification using SVM based on FSV performs better (Classification accuracy-93.36%). It takes only five features. Furthermore, MUTinfFS also displays similar classification accuracy (93.36%), but it considers seven features. Working with less number of features during classification is always better choice. Hence, we are considering classification using SVM based on FSV as best performer in training process.

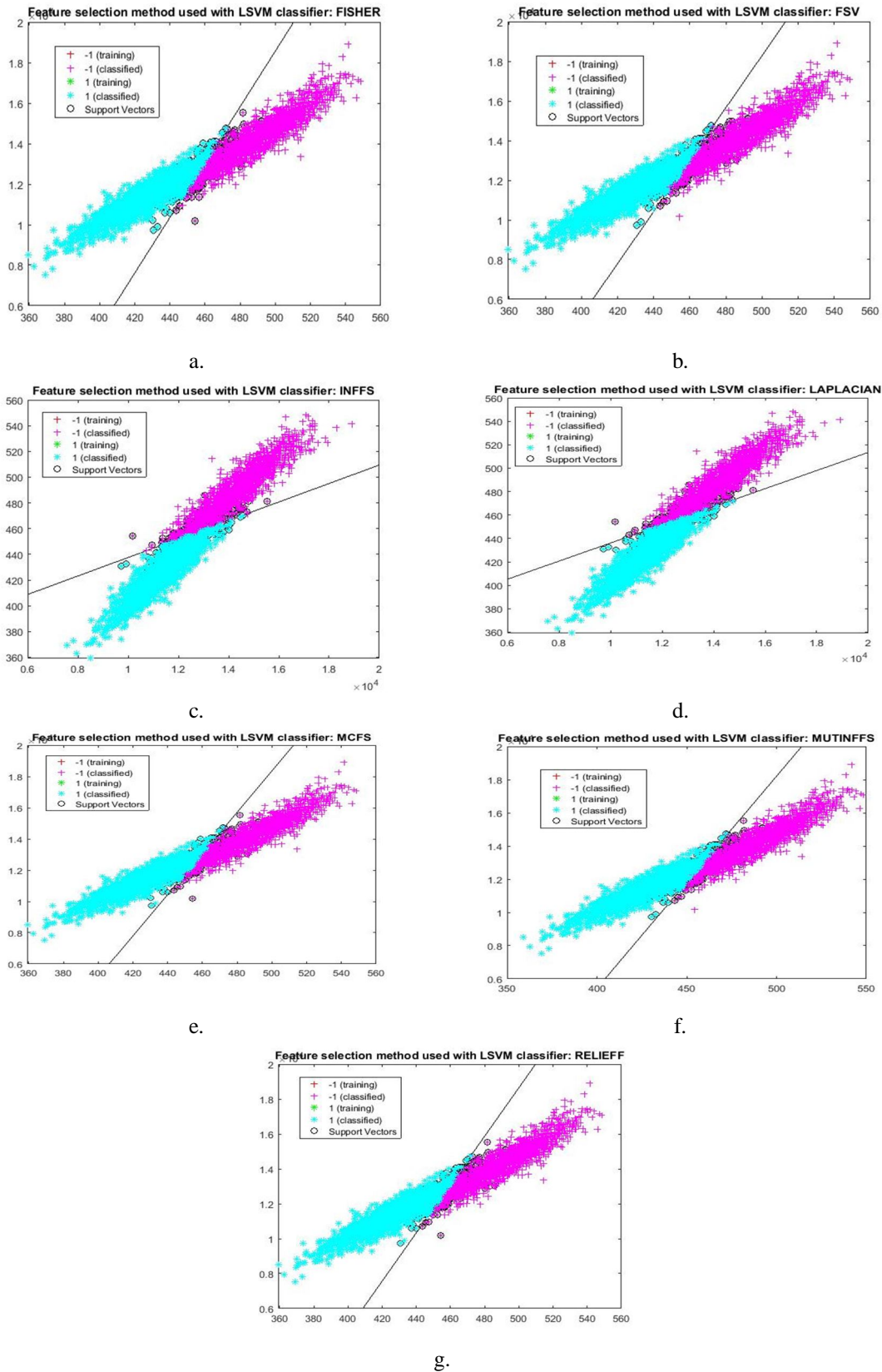
Table 5: Testing Accuracy for different types of feature ranking methods.

Ranking Method	Number of features					
	2	3	4	5	6	7
infFS	90.03%	91.73%	91.86%	<b>93.57%</b>	87.66%	89.11%
Fisher	93.18%	91.99%	<b>93.57%</b>	92.52%	92.78%	91.73%
FSV	92.39%	89.76%	<b>93.57%</b>	93.18%	91.86%	80.31%
Laplacian	92.26%	91.47%	91.21%	91.99%	87.40%	89.24%
MCFS	90.81%	92.39%	93.04%	92.81%	92.78%	92.52%
MUTinfFS	90.81%	93.31%	92.78%	91.47%	93.44%	93.18%
Relief F	91.34%	91.34%	93.04%	91.86%	89.90%	92.91%

Table 6: Testing error rate for different types of feature ranking methods.

Ranking Method	Number of features					
	2	3	4	5	6	7
infFS	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.06	0.12	0.11
Fisher	0.07	0.08	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.08
FSV	0.08	0.10	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.20
Laplacian	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.12	0.11
MCFS	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.07
MUTinfFS	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.08	0.07
Relief F	0.09	0.09	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.07

Based on the similar argument as mentioned above, during testing, we are considering Classification using SVM based on Fisher Score (Classification Accuracy- 93.57%) as well as FSV (Classification Accuracy- 93.57%) as top performer. Both of them considers only four features for classification.



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Figure 2: a, b, c, d, e, f and g represents linear support vector machine, the boundary line and classification with corresponding feature selection method based on only two features.

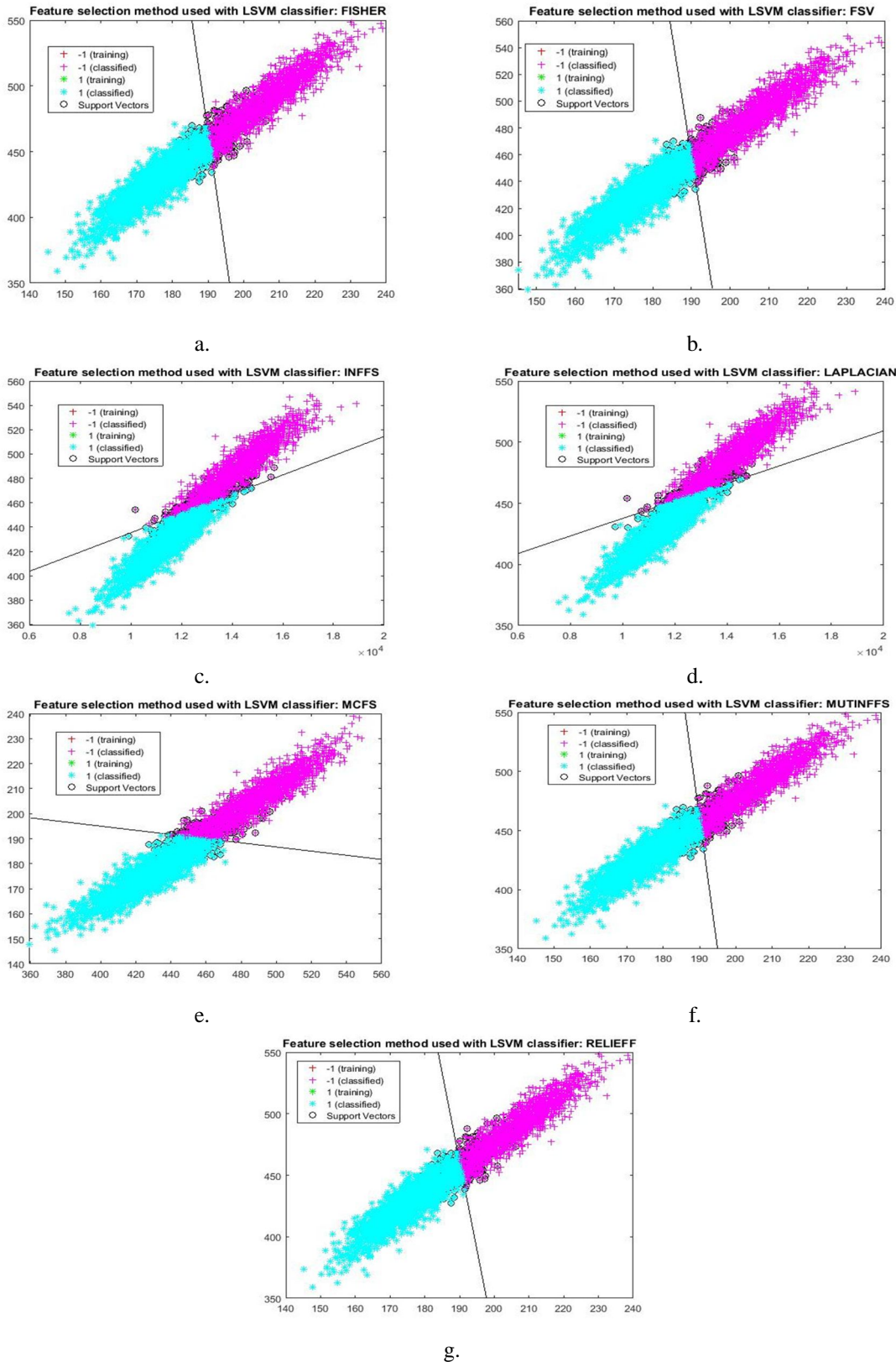


Figure 3: a, b, c, d, e, f and g represents linear support vector machine, the boundary line and classification with corresponding feature selection method based on only three features.



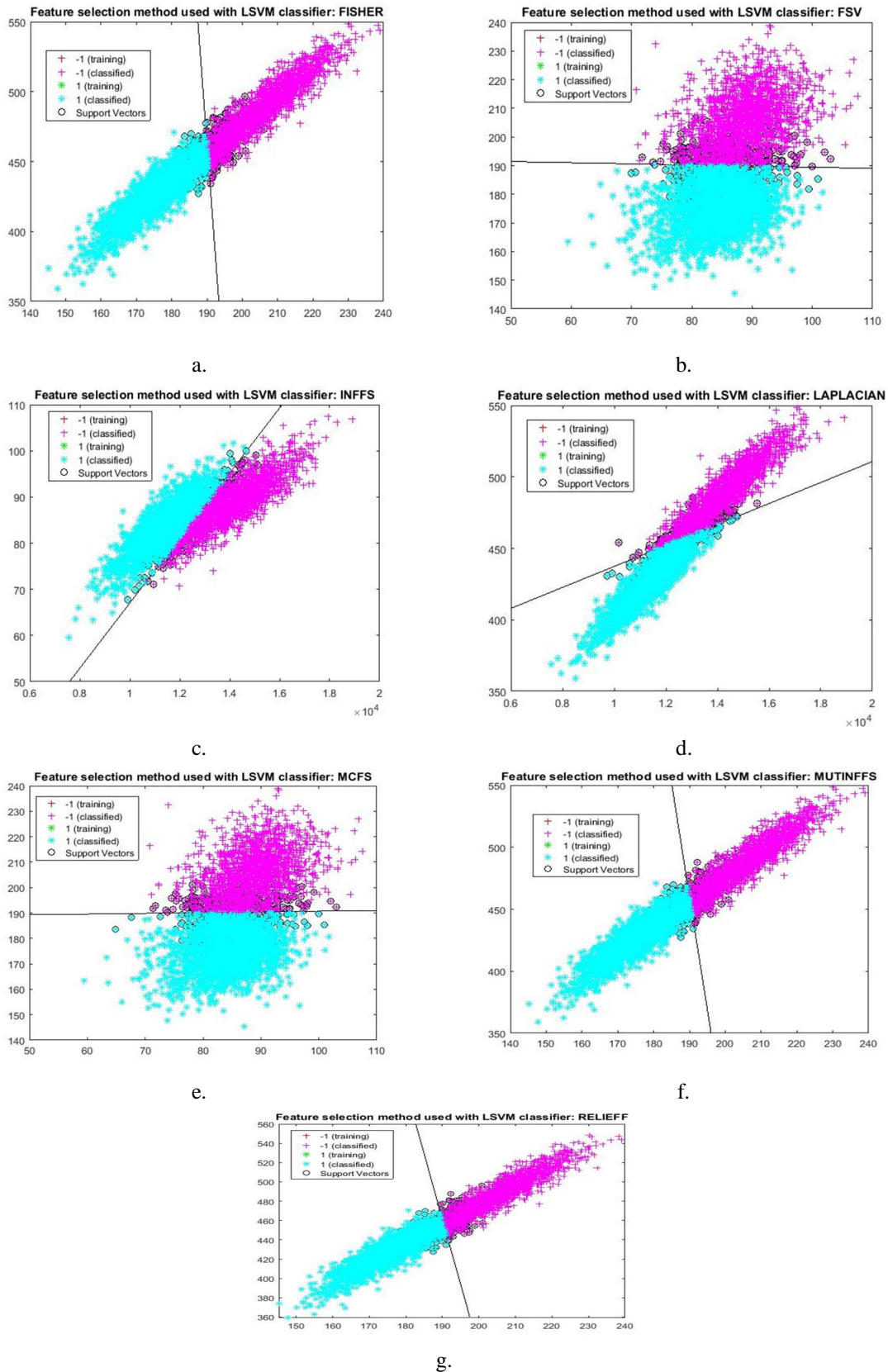


Figure 4: a, b, c, d, e, f and g represents linear support vector machine, the boundary line and classification with corresponding feature selection method based on only four features.

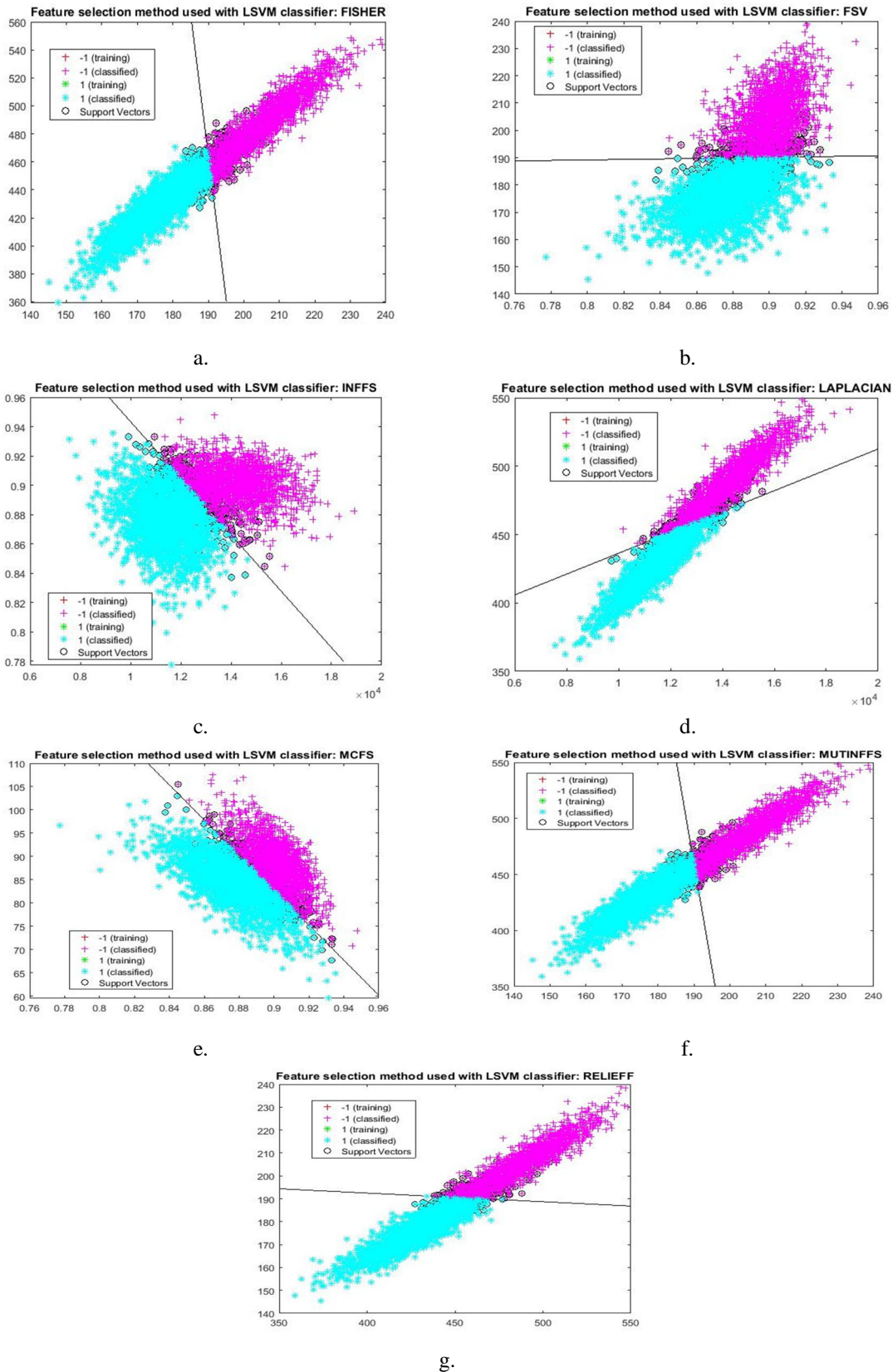


Figure 5: a, b, c, d, e, f and g represents linear support vector machine, the boundary line and classification with corresponding feature selection method based on only five features.

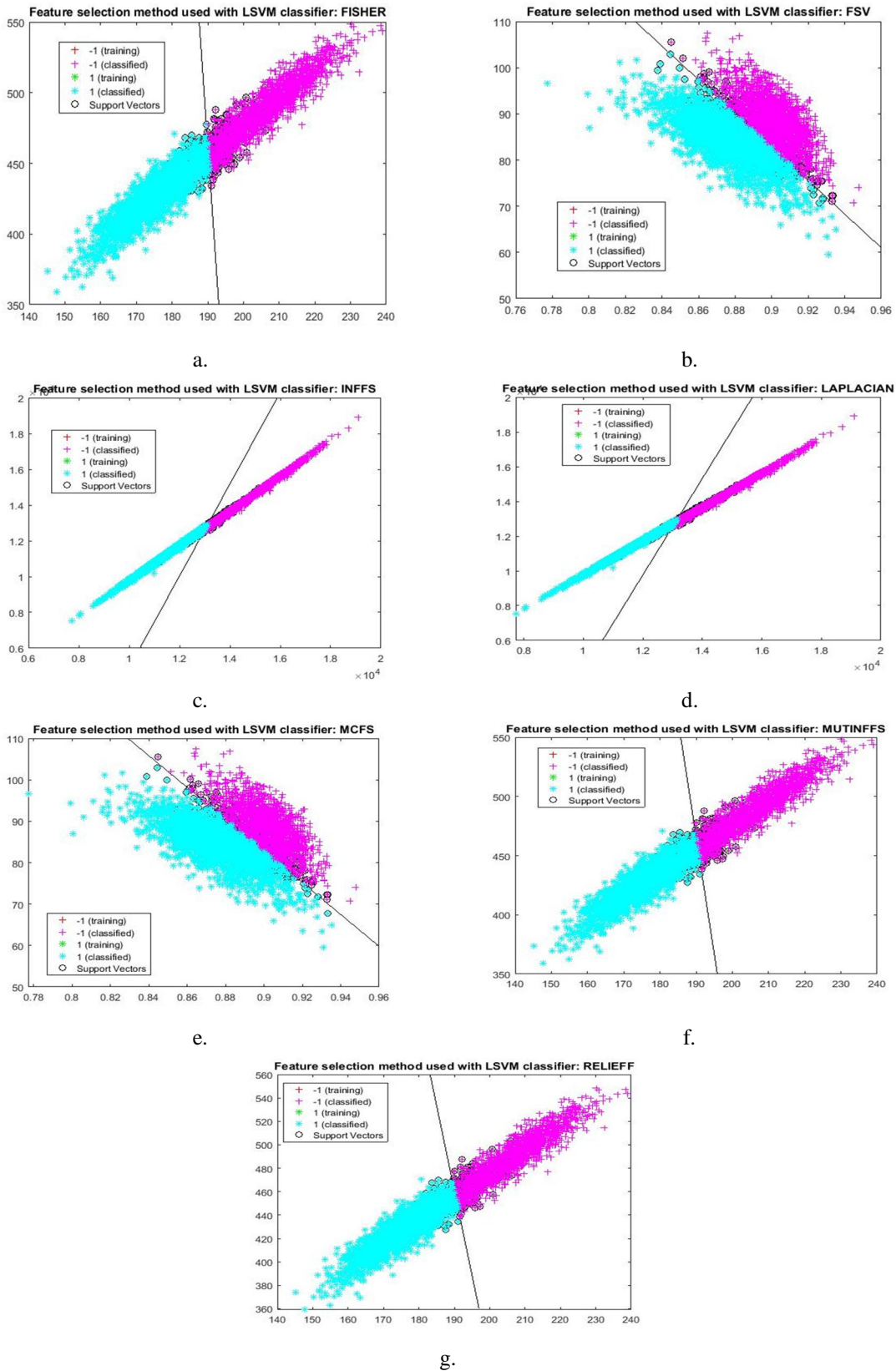


Figure 6: a, b, c, d, e, f and g represents linear support vector machine, the boundary line and classification with corresponding feature selection method based on only six features.

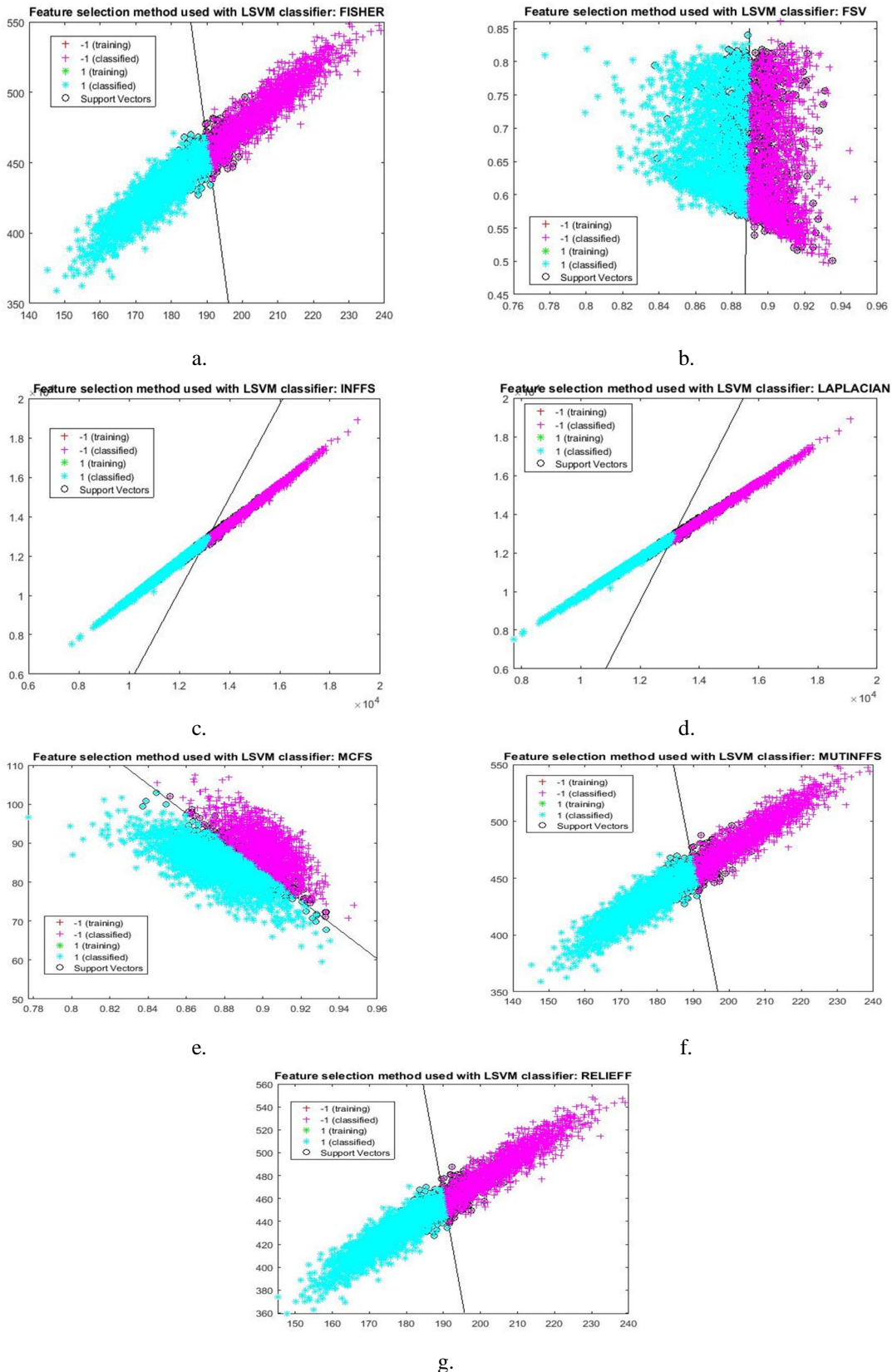
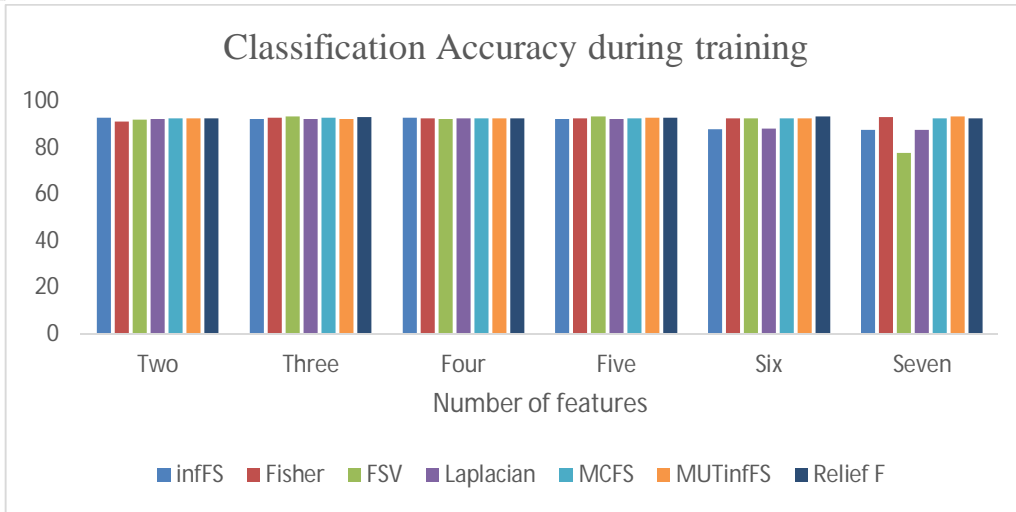
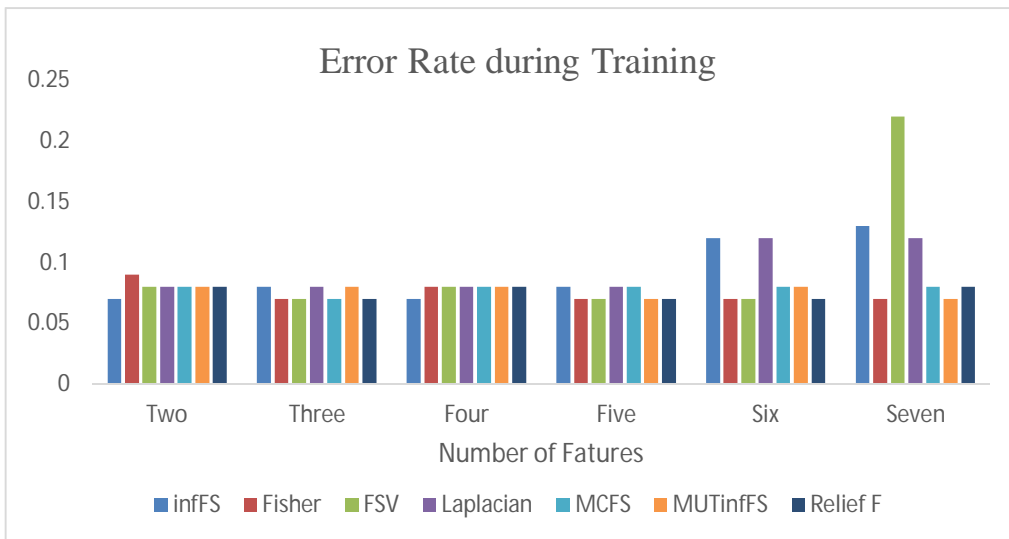


Figure 7: a, b, c, d, e, f and g represents linear support vector machine, the boundary line and classification with corresponding feature selection method based on seven features.

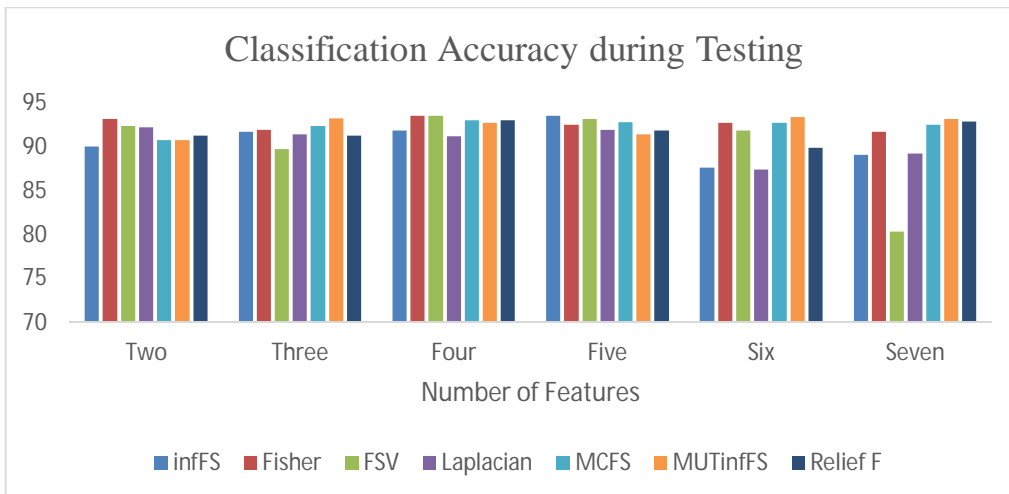


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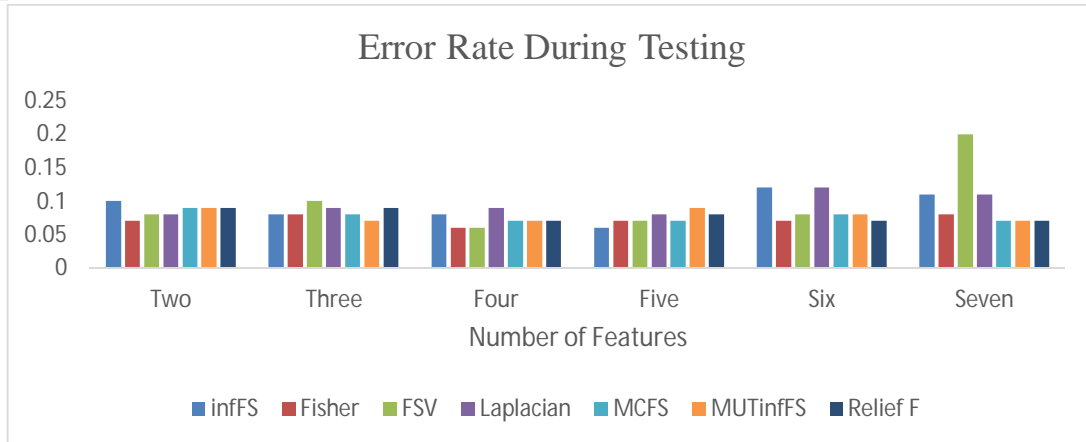


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Figure 8: a represents classification accuracy, and b represents error rate during training process.



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Figure 9: a represents classification accuracy, and b represents error rate during testing process.

After analysis it is found that During training FSV performed best result while selecting five features whereas during testing both FSV and fisher score produces the best result and selecting four features. The four features are as given below.

Table 7: Selected feature names

Rank	Column Name
1	Area
2	Perimeter
3	Major Axis Length
4	Minor Axis Length

*E. Validation Statistics Calculation*

Correct prediction (true positive and true negative) and errors (false negative or missed alarm and false positive or false alarm) have been calculated. These terms are defined by a confusion matrix as given in the table 8.

Table8: Confusion matrix

		Really Correct Yes or No	
		Really Correct (Yes)	Not Really Correct (No)
Correct Predicted Yes or No	Correct Predicted (Yes)	True Positive	False Positive
	Not Correct Predicted (No)	False Negative	True Negative

True positive values are the incidents where model has correctly detected rice species. False positive or false alarm is the situation where the model has detected a particular rice species but actually it is not. False negative or missed alarm is the instance where the model has detected a different rice species in place of actual rice species. True negative values are the incidents where the model has correctly detected different rice species.

In the validation 762 sample rows (20%) have been taken and experiments have been performed and the results have been validated in terms of true positive, true negative, false positive and false negative values as furnished in table 9.

Table 9: Matching and alarm statistics

Total no. Of samples	True Positive (TP)	True Negative (TN)	False (False Alarm) (FP)	Positive (FP)	False (Missed) (FN)	Negative (Alarm)
762	309	404	17		32	

The Validation statistics viz. Efficiency, Misclassification rate, Odds ratio, Positive predictive power, Negative predictive power, Sensitivity, Specificity, False positive rate, False negative rate, Likelihood ratio have been calculated and furnished in table 12.

$$Efficiency = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$Misclassification\ rate = \frac{FP + FN}{(TP + TN + FP + FN)} \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

$$Odds\ ratio = \frac{TP + TN}{FP + FN} \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

$$Positive\ predictive\ power = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

$$Negative\ predictive\ power = \frac{TN}{FN + TN} \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

$$Sensitivity = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \dots\dots\dots (6)$$

$$Specificity = \frac{TN}{FP + TN} \dots\dots\dots (7)$$

$$False\ positive\ rate = \frac{FP}{FP + TN} \dots\dots\dots (8)$$

$$False\ negative\ rate = \frac{FN}{TP + FN} \dots\dots\dots (9)$$

$$Likelihood\ ratio = \frac{Sensitivity}{1 - Specificity} \dots\dots\dots (10)$$

Table 10: Validation statistics

Sr No.	Statistical Attributes	Value
1	True Positive (TP)	309
2	False Positive (FP)	17
3	False Negative (FN)	32
4	True Negative (TN)	404
5	Efficiency	0.936
6	Misclassification rate	0.064
7	Odds ratio	14.551
8	Positive predictive power	0.948
9	Negative predictive power	0.927
10	Sensitivity	0.906
11	Specificity	0.960
12	False positive rate	0.040
13	False negative rate	0.094
14	Likelihood ratio	22.441

Table 11: Prediction Accuracy

Statistical Attributes	Value
Total number of test samples	762
Correct prediction	713
Prediction accuracy	93.57

The Prediction accuracy has been calculated and furnished below in table 13. Figure 9 shows the false alarm percentage and missed alarm percentage. It also displays correct prediction percentage for heavy, medium and no landslide regions for best, worst and all cases.

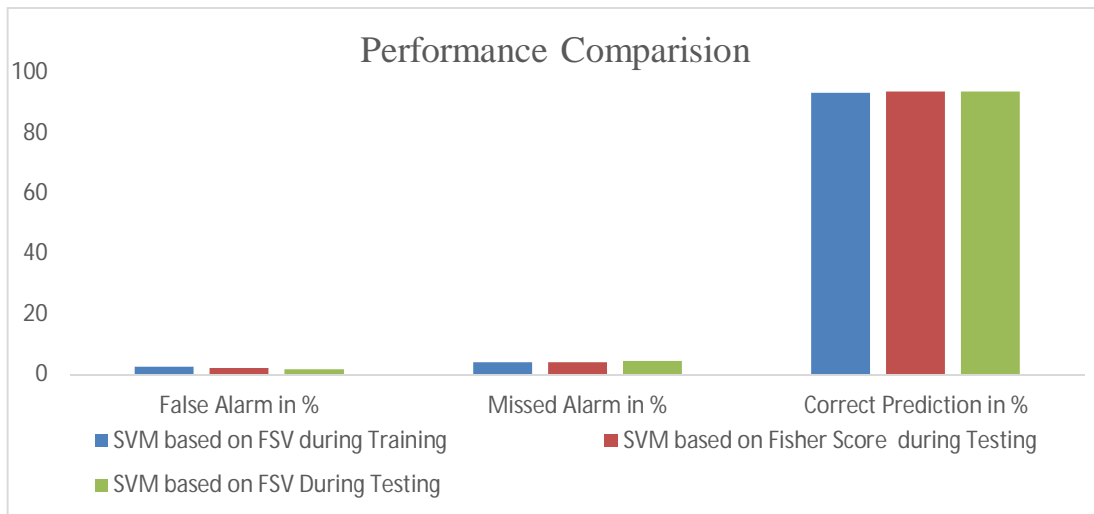


Figure 10. Correct prediction, false alarm and missed alarms in percentage for different cases.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

It has been observed that the classification by SVM based on infFS performed top during training process. Whereas, classification by SVM based on Fisher score as well as based on FSV both performed top during testing. Prediction accuracy of 93.57% was found in both the cases during testing and validation. During testing, minimum value of missed alarm percentage was found in case of fisher score and minimum value of false alarm percentage was found in the case of FSV. Cinar, and Koklu (2019) also used the dataset for classification. They found highest value of prediction accuracy (93.02%) by applying logistic regression (LR). Furthermore, Our System performed better and an accuracy of 93.54% was found. One of the main advantage of our system is that it need only four out of seven parameters for the purpose of classification.

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