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Strategic Decision Making On Agriculture Factors

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Abstract: Agriculture always helps in economics of every country. Agriculture depends on different factors of nature and society. Agriculture and India have different relationship from histories. People in India consider treat their land as God and put their faith in agriculture. Farmers are using the same process and their elder's experience in cultivating the plant. As previous farming experiments and research tell only the crop detail at growing time. So this paper is covering the previous decision time for factors to help agriculture to enhance productivity and economic growth. Paper considers the different crop of different area and their yield to predict the helpful crop. Paper list outs many crops according to different area and their weather and soil types. Main Purpose through this paper is enhancing the productivity and help farmer to grow in every condition. To achieve these result paper consider the different supervised algorithm to predict the analyzed data

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I. INTRODUCTION

Agriculture is always crucial part of our life .Agriculture is considered as the resource of food from long time of histories. As the time passes agriculture enhance in helping the different factors such as making the bio-fuel, medicinal plant and others products used for sustaining and enhancing individual life. Agriculture growth depends on different factors which include soil type, fertility, and water and weather condition and market requirement. Increase in the population, the nutritional status of the poor is growing bad, which must be improved. Providing the required amount of food to the world is great necessity. Table 1 represent the contribution of agriculture to national income and its share in export is declining consistently. Different soil and climatic parameters help to decide the cropping system of that region [1]. These decisions with respect to choice of crops and cropping systems are:

Table 1: India: Position of agriculture in national income and total export (1950-91)

Year	Contribution of agriculture to national income	Share of agriculture to total exports of India
1950-51	54	52.5
1960-61	49	44.0
1970-71	47	37.5
1980-81	36	25.5
1990-91	31	16.5

A. Infrastructure Facilities

Marketing, post-harvest handling and processing and irrigation, transport, storage, trade etc.

Socio-economic factors: Type of land holding, household needs of food, fodder, fuel, fiber and finance, labor availability, financial resource base, land ownership, size etc.

B. Technological Factors

Plant protection, access to information, improved varieties, cultural requirements, mechanization etc To make high crop yield is always principle of agriculture production. Different crop yield prediction models are used, either statistical or crop simulation models. Price prediction is a very important problem for any farmer as he is the one who should know how much cost he would expect for his crops.

Table 2: Regions and districts of Maharashtra

Regions	Districts name	Districts
Kokan	Kokan division	Mumbai city, Mumbai suburban, Thane, Sindhudurg, Palghar, Raigad, Ratanagiri
Marathwada	Aurangabad division	Aurangabad, Osmanabad, Latur, Nanded, Parbhani, Hingoli
Pashim Maharashtra	Pune division	Kolhapur, Pune, Sangali, Satara, Solapur
Uttar Maharashtra	Nashik division	Ahmednagar, Dhule, Jalgaon, Nandurbar, Nashik
Vidharbha	Amravati division	Akola, Amravati, Buldhana, Yawatmal, Washim
Vidharbha	Nagpur division	Bhandara, Chandrapur, Gadchiroli, Gondia, Nagpur, Wardha

Farmer uses his experience for particular crop and field to predict the price. As farmers are using their experience and previous farming method for cultivation of crop unable to get desired output. Hence to overcome these challenges and help farmer to grow in every direction by predicting the crop this will provide the maximum output in particular area. To do this prediction, paper is using supervised algorithm those are C4.5 algorithm for crop yield production and Knn algorithm for price prediction.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Dewi Sinta et al [Ref.1] in their paper, by using KNN model price prediction of rice crop is done from January to December 2012 in Indonesia. The model performance is based on the value of MAPE, MAE and RMSE. The best model is used to predict has the value of MAPE, MAE and RMSE smaller. They found that Ensemble KNN has better yield prediction than single KNN method. Aditya Shastri et.al. [Ref.2] in their paper, they carried out an experiment on wheat, cotton and maize data sets using Quadratic, Linear, Polynomial, GLM and SLM. By utilizing the best regression model for the survey, the forecast of generation of wheat, maize and cotton is done for chosen years. The results are compared obtained from them. The accuracy is measured by using R^2 , RMSE and MPPE. It was concluded that pure quadratic model accurately predicts the wheat yield, Stepwise Linear Regression model accurately predicts the cotton yield and Generalized Linear Regression is used for Maize yield prediction. Fahad Sheikh [Ref.3] in his paper, various data mining techniques are reviewed and performance comparison between various classification algorithms. Algorithms compared are C4.5, CART, k-means clustering, ANN and MLR. It was found that the performance of C4.5 (J48) with accuracy 88.2 % is better than the Naive Bays with accuracy 54.8%. R. Sujatha et al [Ref.10] in their paper stated that there are various classification methods such as Naïve Bayes, J48, Random Forest, Artificial Neural Network, Decision Tree and Support Vector Machine (SVM) for solving the problem of yield prediction. The paper describes how improving agriculture efficient by prophesying and improves yields by previous agricultural information S. Ruggieri et al [Ref.11] in their paper analytical evaluation of the runtime behavior of the C4.5 algorithm is presented which gives rise to more efficient implementation, with a five times performance gain. The paper stated that the EC4.5 is among the best strategies over C4.5 according to the analytic comparison of the efficiency. Giritharan Ravichandran et al [Ref.14] in their paper, they take the input as various parameters that decides the productivity, process them based on the algorithm provided by ANN, and predict suitable crop for the land. Also, the paper suggests the some fertilizers. They found that with increase in the number of hidden layers, the performance increases along with the complexity so, hidden layer is chosen by trial and error method.

III. PROPOSED WORK

As farmers are facing many problems to decide the crop which crop will give maximum productivity and profit. The main work of this paper is to help farmer in deciding crop that they can take in their farms with the estimated crop yield and the market price prediction of that particular crop by considering different parameters. The paper considers parameters such as climatic condition with soil type/land type, size of land, water resource. System includes an input module which is responsible to take input from user in the form of soil type/land type, location of farm, size of farm and water resource.

After getting location as parameter, the input query block is responsible for selecting the preferred crop for that location by considering the climatic condition. After selecting crops based on location the input query block will perform the selection procedure again based on water resource, land type/soil type and size of land. It provides the all crop based on all the parameters which given by user. After selecting the crop by using input module and input query module the prediction analyzer is come in frame to predict the weather and market price for crop.

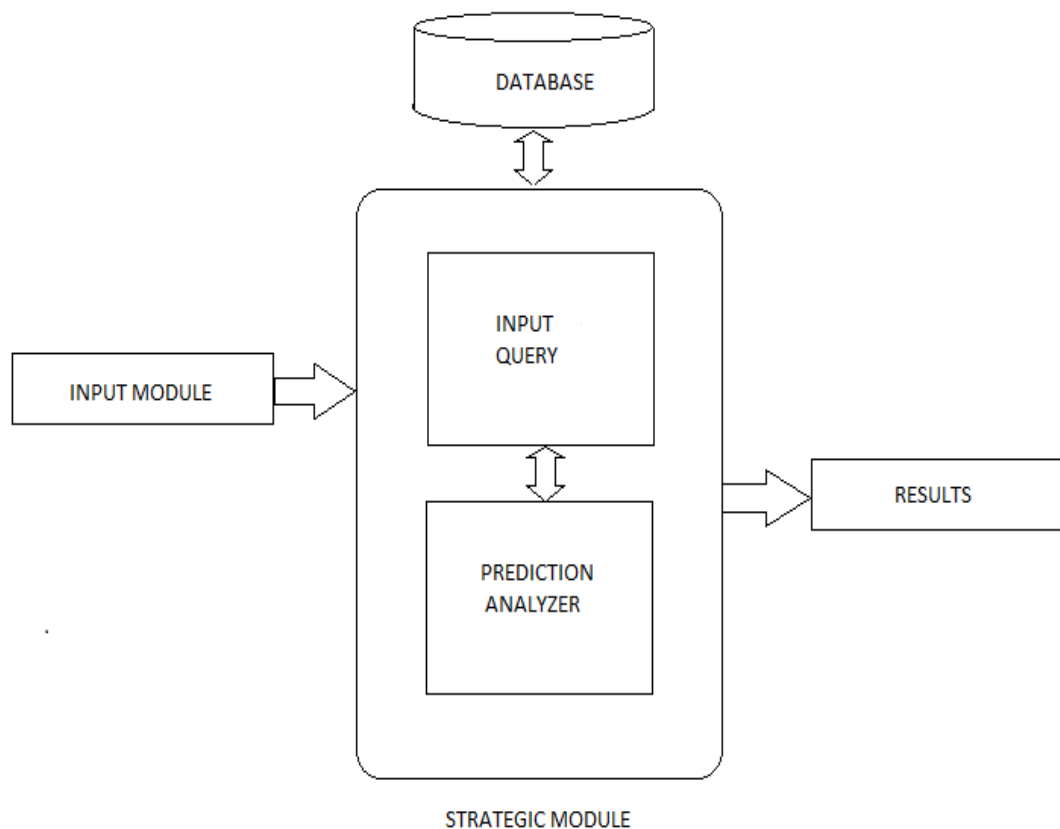


Figure 1: System Architecture

By performing prediction analyzing operation on previously selected crop based on input module provide the final result to user which includes the favorable crop according to location and future market price. Below table 3 contain the information of different soil in different region with crops grown in it. The main feature of the system is it gives output in statistics form. To this end, the methodological approach that it will follow is composed of these steps:

- A. The description of user's farm.
- B. The selection of crops suitable.
- C. Predictive analytics modelling for predicting total yield and market price of those crops. Strategic Module consists of 2 blocks:
- D. Query Bloc
- E. Predictive Analytics block

Describing the data i.e. summarizing its statistical attributes, visually reviewing it using charts and graphs, and looking for potentially meaningful links among variables (such as values that often occur together) is the simple first analytical step in data mining.

Table 3: Different Crops according to Different Region

Regions	Soil in different regions	Crops grown in different regions
Kokan	Deep black soil, Reddish black soil, Sandy loam soil, Coarse shallow soil, Deep soil, Coastal Alluvium soil, Coastal saline	Rice, Sugarcane, Cashew nut, Fruits
Marathwada	Deep black soil, Rocky soil, Thin layered soil, Black cotton, Shallow soil, Red soil,	Jowar, Sugarcane, Wheat, Cotton,
Pashim Maharashtra	Medium black soil, Deep black soil, shallow soil,	Jowar, Bajara, Cotton, Sugarcane, Rice, Wheat
Uttar Maharashtra	Deep fertile soil, Medium deep coarse soil, Shallow stony soil, Lateritic black(kali) soil, Reddish brown (mal) soil	Sugarcane, Rice, Jowar, Cotton, Wheat
Vidharbha (Amravati division)	Black soil, Shallow soil, Medium deep black soil, Deep black soil, Murmad soil, Shallow coarse soil	Wheat, cotton, Jowar, Soybean,
Vidharbha(Nagpur division)	Rich alluvial soil, Clayey loamy soil, shallow coarse soil, Deep black soil, Lateritic black soil, Kankar soil, Morand soil, Khardi soil, Bardi soil, Black cotton soil,	Rice, Wheat, cotton, Jowar

Data mining give advances in field of artificial intelligence and statistics which is being used for pattern recognition and classification of problems [9]. contain (if it is a variable that varies with time, it's called 'time series' prediction).

F. Classification

For grouping classification identify the parameters. To predict the new instance work existing data is useful. Classification models are developed by already classified data. These existing cases come from a historical. They may also come from an experiment in which a sample of the entire database is tested in the real world and the results used to create a classifier. Sometimes an expert classifies a sample of the database, and this classification is then used to create the model which will be applied to the entire database [9].

G. Regression

Regression is estimating the new value by considering existing values. Linear regression is used for simple problem. As real world problem are not simply linear projections of previous value. Complex interaction of multiple predictor variables are difficult to predict. The same model types can often be used for both regression and classification. Different techniques are used for classification and regression such as Support Vector Machine(SVM),Artificial Neural Network(ANN),Naïve Bayesian Classifier, Genetic Algorithm and K-Nearest Neighbor(KNN)

System uses predictive analytics which extract knowledge from existing data to plan and give idea about trends and outcomes [5].

Predictive analytics predicting the terms those are:

- 1) Crop according to location
- 2) Crop Yield
- 3) Crop Price To predict these terms it uses the algorithms:
- 4) C4.5 for predicting crop according to different weather and yield prediction.
- 5) K-Nearest Neighbour for crop price prediction.

IV. ALGORITHMS

A. C4.5 Algorithm

C4.5 is supervised algorithm.C4.5 algorithm is used to create a decision tree. The generated decision tree is helpful in classification and referred as statistical classifier. It uses the information gain while generating the decision tree. Pruning process is also used to reduce the over-fitting. It can handle continuous and discrete data. The tree developed by c4.5 is classifier. To predict the new data class belonging c4.5 uses many data representing thing. It supports tree pruning and missing value handling [11].The below fig2 gives the idea about C4.5 working.

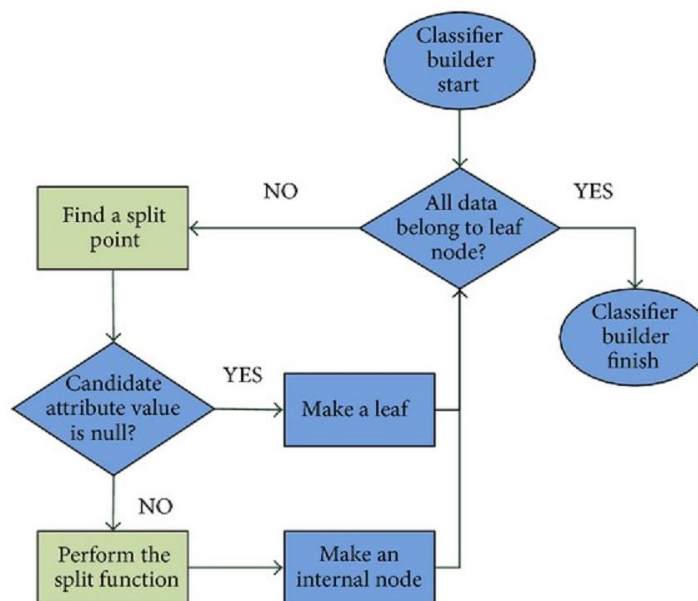


Figure 2:C4.5 Flowchart

The objective of c4.5 is predicting the crop according to location. It will check the parameters of dataset, which contain the crop information such as name, location, crop yield, crop price, etc. All these are attributes defined in system. From these entire attribute we want to predict which crop is suitable for land in that environment. Using these crop attributes and crop information class, by using attribute c4.5 developed a decision tree for crop [11].

B. C4.5 Tree Construction

The decision tree is constructed by using training data set S, which is set of tuples in database terminology. The tree is constructed using divide and conquers method. Attribute is selected in such a way that it will split the information in effective manner. Each attribute have either discrete or continuous values. Leaves and nodes are part of decision tree. Class value is described by leaf and decision node describes a test on attribute. Child node represents the possible outcome. The path from root to leaf of decision tree is followed by attribute values of case. The class which is present at leaf node is predicted by the decision tree [11]

C. Algorithm C4.5(S)

- 1) *Input:* Dataset S with attribute value
- 2) *Output:* Decision tree or/and set of rules that assigns a class to a new case
- a) Tree= {
- b) Compute Class Frequency(S)
- c) If one Class Return leaf; Create decision Tree
- d) For Each Attribute A; Compute Gain (A)
- e) D.test=Best attribute according to above Criteria (Step 4);
- f) If D.test continue Find threshold
- g) ForEach S' in the splitting of
- h) If S' is Empty Child of D is a lea Els
- i) Child of D=formTree(S' BAttach T Tree to the corresponding branch of Tree;
- j) Compute Errors of D Return decision Tree D;

Let S be the dataset given to the system. At start the Tree is empty having no node. The weighted frequency of dataset S is computed (step (2)) freq (b_i, S) in S which contain class b_i for i ∈ [1, Dclass]. If all cases belong to same class (step (3)), node represent as leaf for same class (respectively with most frequent class). To calculate information gain, S contains cases belonging to two or more classes (step (4)). For splitting the cases in S into sets with distinct attribute values, information gain is used for district values. For continues attributes, the information gain split the set S into subsets, namely, cases with an attribute value which is not greater than a local threshold which is determined during gain [11].

High gain contained by attribute is (step (5)) selected for next process. The test select the continuous attribute then threshold is calculated (step (6)) as the calculated threshold is below the local threshold. . If S_i empty then the child c node is set as leaf, for most frequently used class. If S_i is containing value, then divide and conquer approach apply recursively on same operation n set and also on unknown parameters.

D. Information Gain

Attribute A information gain is calculated as:

$$Gain = Entropy(S) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|S_i|}{|S|} \times Entropy(S_i)$$

Where,

$$Entropy(S) = - \sum_{j=1}^{NClass} \frac{freq(b_j, S)}{|S|} \times \log \frac{freq(b_j, S)}{|S|}$$

The unknown parameter of selected attribute is replicated in each child with their weights proportional to cases in S with their known value of selected attribute. Finally classification error is calculated as sum of error of child node [11].

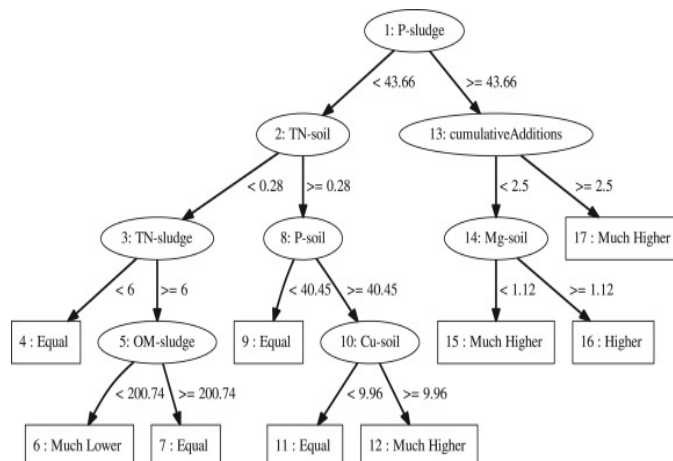


Figure 3: Example of c4.5 for finding correlations between the heavy metal contents in soil and in plant tissues[15]

E. K-nearest Neighbor Algorithm

KNN is simple classification technique which is suitable for little or prior knowledge about how data is distributed. It is a supervised learning algorithm. It is machine learning algorithm with lazy learning. Higher similarity to test is containing the record of k training data. It is helpful to determine the contribution of the neighbors, so that the nearer neighbor contributes more than distant. When new unlabeled data comes in frame it uses a classification technique. It looks at k closet labeled training data input. To classify new data neighbor class is used for better idea. When neighbors are not from same class it uses a voting method.

F. Steps to perform KNN

- 1) Find value of k , which is number of nearest neighbor
- 2) Calculate the distance between the query instance and all the training samples.
- 3) Sort the distance and determine nearest neighbor based on k^{th} minimum distance
- 4) Gather the category of nearest neighbors
- 5) Use simple majority of category of nearest neighbors as the prediction value of the query instance.

KNN is useful for small size of training data and robust to the noisy training data. KNN is accurate in determining the value of parameter k . This method is very sensitive to variables that are irrelevant or redundant because all the variables contributing to the similarity and classification. To compare testing data with training data KNN uses similarity measure. Similarity measure used in the Euclidean distance between training data (x_{train}) and data testing (x_{test}), is presented as

$$d(x_{train,i}, x_{test,i}) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{train,i} - x_{test,i})^2}$$

For predicting value KNN regression consider the following formula,

$$y_i = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^k y_j$$

Where,

k = nearest neighbor of y_j

For predicting output variables k a training data is close to testing data in predicting output variables. Nearest neighbor value is consider to predict the output value for unknown data.

To predict the data testing formula used is

$$y_i = \sum_{j=1}^k w_j y_j$$

Where,

w_j = weight of j-th neighbor.

$w_j = j/n$, to adjust weight based on observed data

n= Training data number

V. RESULT SET AND CONCLUSION

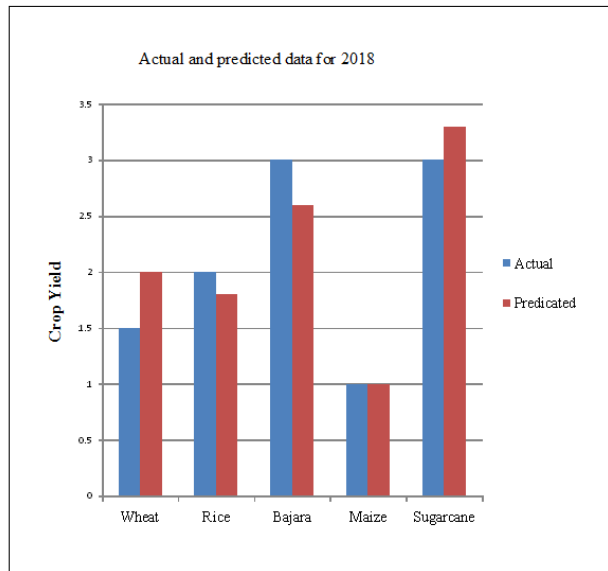


Figure 4: Crop Yield

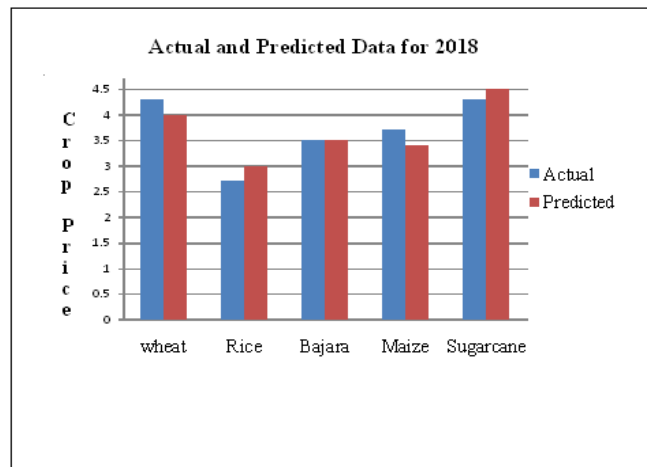


Figure 5: Crop Price

V. CONCLUSIONS

Defining decisional result data set from existing data set is crucial task especially if that correlates with agriculture. Since data set is somewhat complex and ambiguous in nature. As by considering the motivation behind this work the algorithmic strategies such as C4.5, KNN are used to define effective result data set so that the farmer will help them to take real time decisions awhile in agriculture.

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