CLINICAL DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR DIAGNOSING INTENSITY OF HEART DISEASES

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Abstract

Clinical Decision Support System (CDSS) is a tool constructed for evaluating the intensity of Heart Diseases. There are five types of intensities present. Each intensity type is denoted with the help of range of values associated with each attribute. To diagnose these intensities ID3 and Extended Sub Tree algorithm is implemented. Comparison of results for these algorithm is been done in this paper. Experiments are done to evaluate the performance of both algorithms and result analysis concludes with, better performance of Extended Sub Tree as compared to ID3 in respect of complexity, accuracy etc.

Keywords: Patient Health Information (PHI), Electronic Medical Record (EMR), Extended Sub Tree (EST), Decision Tree, Clinical Decision Support System (CDSS).

I. INTRODUCTION

Clinical Decision Support System is constructed for Heart Diseases to diagnose the intensity of Disease level. For construction of CDSS decision tree is the algorithmic aspect been considered. Decision trees classify instances by sorting them down the tree from the root to some leaf node, which provides the classification of the instance. Each node in the tree specifies a test of some attribute of the instance and each branch descending from that node corresponds to one of the possible values for this attribute.

II. DIFFERENT EXISTING SYSTEMS

Different CDSS systems were developed from the early times have brought up to professionals attention in 1950s. De Dombal's system was developed at university of Leeds in the early 1970s by deDombals and his associates. They studied the diagnoses process and developed a computer-based decision aids using Bayesian probability theory [Musen, 2001]. INTERNIST-I was a broad-based computer-assisted diagnostic tool developed in the early 1970s at the University of Pittsburgh as an educational experiment [Miller et al., 1982; People, 1982]. MYCIN was a rule-based expert system designed to diagnose and recommend treatment for certain blood infections (antimicrobial selection for patients with bacteremia or meningitis) [Shortliffe, 1976].

Sr No.	Properties	MYCIN	De Dombal	Internist-1	DXplain	Quick Medical Reference (QMR)
1.	Developed By	Stanford University	University of Leeds	University of Pittsburgh	Laboratory of Massachusetts General Hospital	University of Pittsburgh
2.	Year	1970	1972	1970	1970	1970
3.	Diseases	blood infections	abdominal pain	knee replacement surgery	2,200 unique diseases	Abdomen Pain Severe, Blood Hepatitis
4.	Classification Approach	IF-THEN rules	Bayesian probability theory	Bayesian probability theory, Decision Tree	probabilistic algorithm	Basic Decision Tree

Table 1. Existing Systems

III. DIFFERENT APPROACHES FOR DIAGNOSING HEART DISEASES

There is large amount of heart related data present, which is in unstructured format. Hence by analyzing the data and formatting it into structured manner helps for making the decision. For diagnosing the disease there are many ways in which heart related diseases can be diagnosed and treatment can be provided.

Different approaches have different aspects in diagnosing the diseases.By using the Neural network approach the accuracy secured was around 80-90 % but the hidden layers description cannot be evaluated [5].In fuzzy logic approach the weighted rules are generated initially and

then the fuzzy rule decision is provided [5][6]and the accuracy obtained id around79.055 %. In naive bayes classification approach helps in predicting whether the patient is prone to heart disease or not and depicting the risk factor for heart attack [7]. The accuracy observed for naive bayes approach was around 90 % [8]. Similarly by using Support vector machines concept the accuracy was achieved around 84.12 %. While as by using decision tree approach the accuracy increased up to 96 % [8].

Parameters	Neural Network	Fuzzy Logic	SVM	Naïve Bayes	Decision Tree
Example Algorithms	Back propagation	Thresholds and weights applied on IF – THEN rules	Maximum & optimal margins by Gaussian theorem	Posterior Probability – Bayes Theorem	C4.5 , CART, J48 using splitting attribute entropy;
Formula	Input Layer $w_{ij} = w_{ij} + \Delta w_{ij}$ Hidden Layer $w_{jk} = w_{jk} + \Delta w_{jk}$	Fuzzy Set $\mu : x \to [0,1]$	Margins Equations $w \cdot x - b = 1$ $w \cdot x - b = -1$	$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$	Information Gain $G(S) = \sum_i p_i(i) \log p_i(i)$ Gini Index $G(i) = \sum_i p_i(i)(1 - p_i(i))$
Advantages	Minimizes error in each level	Specification is obtained	Large data set is analyzed	Minimum error occurs	No domain knowledge is required
Disadvantage	Very slow working	Comparison increases	Range should be precise else outliers are observed	Multiple symptoms cannot handle and dependency in attributes	Selection of splitting attribute & over fitting
Approximate Accuracy	80 – 90 %	78 – 85 %	85 – 90 %	90 – 95 %	94 – 96 %

Table 2. Analysis of Algorithmic approaches

IV.   ALGORITHMIC APPROACHES

A.   ID3 Algorithm

ID3 is a simple decision learning algorithm developed by J. Ross Quinlan (1986). ID3 constructs decision tree by employing a top-down, greedy search through the given sets of training data to test each attribute at every node. It uses statistical property call information gain to select which attribute to test at each node in the tree. Information gain measures how well a given attribute separates the training examples according to their target classification [4].

1) Entropy: It is a measure in the information theory, which characterizes the impurity of an arbitrary collection of samples. If the target attribute takes on c different values, then the entropy S relative to this c-wise classification is defined as,

$$Entropy = \sum_{i=1}^{c} [-p_i log_2 p_i]...... \qquad (1)$$

where pi is the proportion/probability of S belonging to class i. Logarithm is base 2 because entropy is a measure of the expected encoding length measured in bits.

2) Information Gain: The information gain, Gain(S, A) of an attribute A, relative to the collection of samples S, is defined as,

$$Gain(S, A) = Entropy(S) - \sum_{v \in Values(A)} \frac{|S_v|}{|S|} Entropy(S_v)]......$$

Where Values(A) is the set of all possible values for attribute A, and Sv is the subset of S for which the attribute A has value v. We can use this measure to rank attributes and build the decision tree where at each node is located the attribute with the highest information gain among the attributes not yet considered in the path from the root.

3) Algorithmic Steps: The ID3 algorithm is as follows: -
ID3 (Samples, Target Attribute, Attributes)
Samples are the training examples. Target Attribute is the attribute whose value is to be predicted by the tree. Attributes is the list of attributes which may be tested by the learned decision tree. Returns a decision tree that correctly classifies the given Examples.
1.Create a root node for the tree.
2. If all examples are positive, Return the single-node tree Root, with label = +
3. If all examples are negative, Return the single-node tree Root, with label = -
4. If number of predicting attributes is empty, then Return the single node tree Root,
5. with label = most common value of the target attribute in the examples
6. Otherwise Begin
6.1. A ←–The Attribute that best classifies examples
6.2. Decision Tree attribute for Root ←– A
6.3. For each positive value, vi, of A,
I. Add a new tree branch below Root, corresponding to the test A = vi
II. Let Examples(vi), be the subset of examples that have the value vi for A
III. If Examples(vi) is empty
6.4. Then below this new branch add a leaf node with label = most common target value in the examples
6.5. Else below this new branch add the subtree ID3 (Examples(vi), TargetAttribute, Attributes A)
7. End
8. Return Root

B. Extended Sub Tree Algorithm

Extended Sub Tree algorithm is upliftment for decision tree algorithm. For working with Extended Sub Tree, basictree structured format of data or constructed tree becomes input. To this tree structure below mentioned rules are applied

and merging of sub trees is been done. Then traversing is done to make decision[1].

Consider T^p and T^q, proposed system of EST. It handles to maintain tree structure by mapping subtrees of T^p to the similar subtree of T^q. Now while mapping these T^p and T^q there are some rules to be followed:-

- Rule 1 : EST mapping, not only mapping single nodes together, but also identical subtrees mapped together.
- Rule 2 : No similar subtrees T^p and T^q are allowed to mapped together, that is dissimilar trees cannot be mapped together.

- Rule 3 : In one to many mapping, subtree of T^p can be mapped into different subtrees of T^q or vice versa.

- Rule 4: m is the weighted as,

$$W(m_x) = \frac{W(T^{px}) + W(T^{qx})}{2}$$

where $W(T^{px})$ and $W(T^{qx})$ are weights of subtrees in mapping. The $W(T^p)$ is calculated as

$$W(T^{px}) = \sum_{t_i^{px} \in T^{px}} W(t_i^{px}) \quad\quad (3)$$

where $W(t^{px}_i)$ is the scalar unit, when T^{px} is largest subtree that t^{px}_i belongs to, and zero otherwise. Then we compute $S(T^p, T^q)$ based on all possible mappings such as

$$S(T^p, T^q) = \alpha \sqrt{\sum_{m_k \in M} \beta_k X W(m_k)^\alpha} \quad\quad (4)$$

where α, $\alpha \geq 1$, is a coefficient to adjust the relation among different sizes of mappings. Then β_k is the unit scalar, when the root nodes of Tpx and Tqx have same depth with respect to Tp and Tq and it is equal to β (a constant no between zero and one) otherwise, leads to enhancement of mapping of same depth regarding subtrees.

To normalize the similarity score, we divide it by its higher bound. Since $0 \leq \beta_k \leq 1$, we have $S(T^p, T^q) \leq \alpha \sqrt{\sum_{m_k \in M} W(m_k)^\alpha}$. Further, $\alpha \sqrt{\sum_{m_k \in M} W(m_k)^\alpha} \leq \sum_{m_k \in M} W(m_k)$ where $\alpha \geq 1$ and $W(m_k)$ is a positive number. In addition, each node counted as one in weight calculation as, $\sum_{m_k \in M} W(m_k) \leq \max(|T^p|, |T^q|)$. This evaluates to, $S(T^p, T^q) \leq \max(|T^p|, |T^q|)$ and similarity function normalizes to,

$$S^*(T^p, T^q) = \frac{S(T^p, T^q)}{\max(|T^p|, |T^q|)} \quad\quad (5)$$

1) Computational Algorithm: Hypothesis $T^p_{(i,j)}$ represents a subtree of T^p rooted to t^p_i is mapped to identical subtree of T^q rooted to t^q_j namely $T^q_{(j,i)}$. Now evaluation of $S(T^p, T^q)$ is done in four steps as follows :-
1: Identifying all mappings : We evaluate all possible mappings, whether it may be valid or invalid (i.e invalid mappings will have weight zero from step 3), and store into two lists of nodes having each list for one each subtree. T^p and T^q are the inputs, while as V^P and V^q are the outputs (inputs for next step) . V^P and V^q are the two dimensional matrices where each element is a list of nodes represented as $V^p_{[i][j]}$ and $V^q_{[j][i]}$ to the list of nodes of mapped subtrees of $T^p_{(i,j)}$ and $T^q_{(j,i)}$ respectively. In this step GetMapping(i,j) function results into two list of nodes $V^p_{[i][j]}$ and $V^q_{[j][i]}$ for mapping. Its objective is to detect the largest mapping, which can be achieved at rooted children of t^p_i and t^q_j. Now among these t^p_i and t^q_j's children, t^p_{ia} is the ath child of t^p_i node, where 1 a $deg(t^p_i)$, and ia denotes index of ath child of t^p_i node. Similarly t^q_{jb} is the bth child of t^q_j node, where 1 b $deg(t^q_j)$, and jb denotes index of bth child of t^q_j node. E is a matrix which indicates how children of t^p_i and t^q_j are matched. Also E is used to update $V^p_{[i][j]}$ and $V^q_{[j][i]}$. Therefore of $T^p_{(i,j)}$ and $T^q_{(j,i)}$ are identical so $|V^p_{[i][j]}| = |V^q_{[j][i]}|$.

2: Identifying each node's largest mapping : A node T^p or T^q may belong to many mappings, so we consider largest sub tree in mapping for each node. To evaluate this, hypothesis of two arrays namely, LS^p and LS^q of size T^p and T^q respectively. $LS^p[i]$ indicates largest subtree that t^p_i belongs to indexes of root nodes of mapping, denoted by $LS^p[i]_{mi}$ and $LS^p[i]_{mj}$ .The goal of this step is to fill LS^p and LS^q with

appropriate values. Check if $|V^p_{[i][j]}|$ is larger than the subtree store it into LS^p for that node and then update it as per the upliftment. Similarly follow for each node in $V^q_{[j][i]}$.

3: Compute the weight of each subtree : For this step, evaluate $W(T^p_{(i,j)})$ and $W(T^q_{(j,i)})$ for all subtrees in mapping, which is stored into $W^p[i][j]$ and $W^q[j][i]$. If largest value as compared to previous value is found then add it to LS^p and increment the weight of subtree. Similarly follow for LS^q.

4: Calculate $S(T^P, T^q)$: In this step we have all subtree weights (W^p and W^q) available. Then simply evaluate $S(T^P, T^q)$ [1].

Fig 1. Pseudo Code

V. IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION

These algorithms are implemented for diagnosing the heart disease intensity or level. The diagnosis conclude with the stage in which the disease is residing. The data is in continuous form, i.e range of values for every parameters is to be considered. There were 13 parameters to be considered for diagnosing the data. The description of parameters can be given as follows:-

Table 3. Classification Attributes

By using these attributes the data is been classified to diagnose the level of disease of the patient. In ID3 algorithm, it cannot handle continuous data. Hence to implement ID3 algorithm, initially the data has to be converted into nominal form ie from continuous to non continuous form. After conversion it will evaluate the dataset to generate results. For evaluation purpose for each attribute, information gain is calculated with the following formula:-

$$AttributeGain = \frac{maxlimit - minlimit}{no. of levels(type)} \quad ...... \quad (6)$$

Then evaluation of weighted average measurement i.e WAF is been done by considering the following formula:-

$$WAF = \frac{Value - minlimit}{maxlimit - minlimit} \quad ...... \quad (7)$$

In this accuracy formula, Value is the attribute gain value, max and min limits are range values for every type or level of disease. The accuracy can be evaluated with the following formula as follows:-

$$Accuracy = \frac{measuredvalue - acceptedvalue}{acceptedvalue} \quad ...... \quad (8)$$

In runtime measurement, its the time required for measuring the no.of tuples from dataset. Now in ID3 and Extended Sub Tree algorithm these formulae are applied to evaluate these parameters such as accuracy, weighted average measurement and runtime.

VI. RESULT ANALYSIS

For evaluating these above parameters, the paper prescribes about two datasets for evaluation. The Cleveland and Statlog dataset is been used for analysis purpose. The metadata snapshot for the cleveland dataset can be given as follows:-

A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	A7	A8	A9	A10	A11	A12	A13
63.0	1.0	1.0	145.0	233.0	1.0	2.0	150.0	0.0	2.3	3.0	0.0	6.0
67.0	1.0	4.0	160.0	286.1	0.0	2.0	108.9	1.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	3.0
68.0	1.0	4.0	120.0	229.4	0.0	2.0	129.2	1.0	2.6	2.0	2.0	7.0

Table 4. Data for Cleveland Dataset

Cleveland dataset contains 307 records. Similarly metadata for statlog dataset can be given as follows:-

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8	C9	C10	C11	C12	C13
70	1	4	130	322	0	2	109	0	2.4	2	3	3
67	0	3	115	564	0	2	160	0	1.6	2	0	7
57	1	2	124	261	0	0	141	0	0.3	1	0	7

Table 5. Data for Statlog Dataset

Statlog dataset contains 255 records. With the help of these datasets results for case study in terms of accuracy, weighted average measurement and runtime is done. Now these parameters are evaluated for initially for ID3 algorithm and then for Extended Sub Tree Algorithm which can be shown as follows:-

ID3 Algorithm				
Data Set	No.of Records	Accuracy (%)	Weighted Average Measurement (%)	Runtime (millsecs)
Statlog	255	89.4	88.6	3010
Cleveland	307	80.14	80.1	5998

Table 6. Result Analysis for ID3 Algorithm

Extended Sub Tree Algorithm				
Data Set	No.of Records	Accuracy (%)	Weighted Average Measurement (%)	Runtime (millsecs)
Statlog	255	98.8	96.3	2989
Cleveland	307	97.1	97.9	4899

TreeFor evaluation, the time complexity required for evaluation comes around O(nlogn) for ID3. So to overcome the drawback of ID3 algorithm, extended sub tree approach is used. In this approach, continuous data can easily be handled and time required for evaluation is reduced. The time complexity of this algorithm is around

$$O(|T^p|, |T^q|) X min|T^p|, |T^q|.$$

The experimental study in graphical format for above parameters for ID3 and Extended Sub Tree algorithm can be given as follows:-
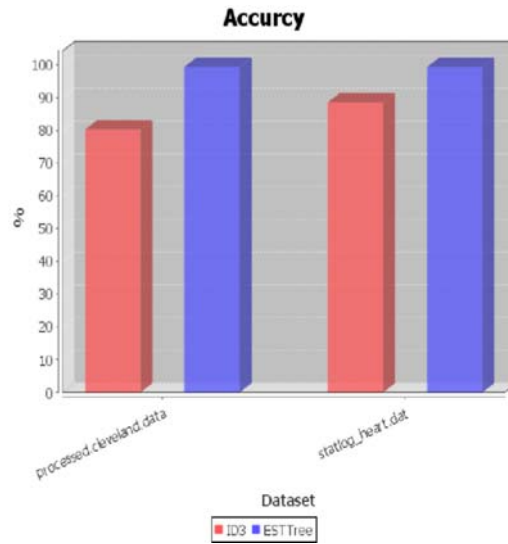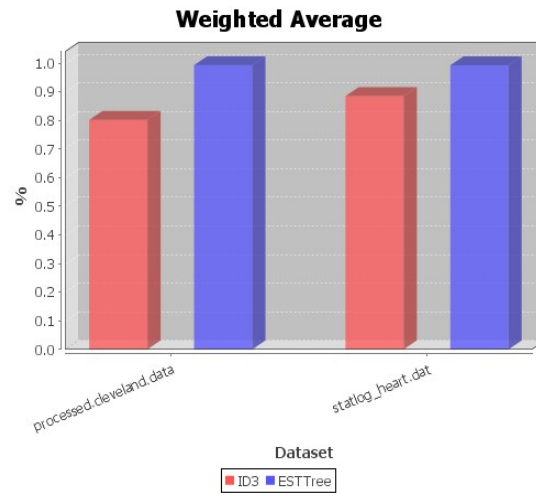

Fig 2. Accuracy Graph

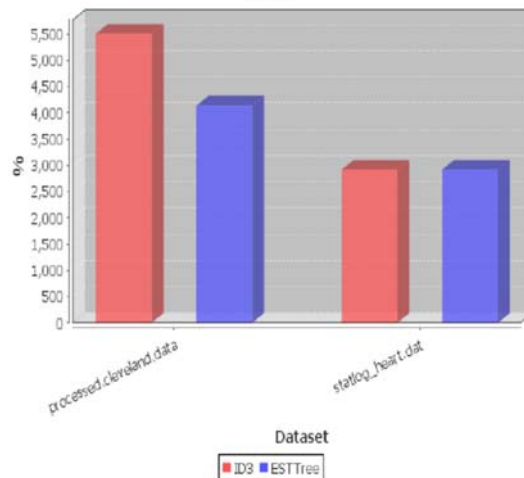Fig 3. Weighted Average Measure Graph

Fig 4. Runtime Graph

Accuracy and weighted average measurement results are better for Extended Sub Tree as compared to ID3 algorithm while as for runtime measurement Extended Sub Tree requires more time for evaluation as compared to ID3 algorithm.

VII. CONCLUSION

Clinical Decision Support System for heart diseases is very effective tool for diagnosing the diseases. System will give decision of probability for patient been prone to heart diseases. Hence for implementation of such system Decision Tree technique will be an effective technique in classification. It is a simple tree like flowchart structure which helps in bifurcating the data in respective groups. The main goal of Decision Trees is in the intuitive representation that is easy to understand and comprehend. Also in decision tree construction, the nodes are constructed on splitting attribute or the flag value. Hence if continuous value is to be handled then it can prove to be fatal. Extended Sub Tree gives 82.1% for cleveland dataset than ID3 algorithm, which results 80.14 % as well as for statlog. ID3 algorithm requires less time ie 12.8 mins compared to Extended Sub Tree ie 14 mins for Statlog dataset. Hence overall Extended Sub Tree is better approach than ID3 algorithm.

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