

Experiment

Treatment:

Treatment	Decision Tree	Train Quantity	Test Quantity	Accuracy
1	Original	4	4	
2			40	
3			400	
4			4000	
5		40	4	
6			40	
7			400	
8			4000	
9		400	4	
10			40	
11			400	
12			4000	
13		4000	4	
14			40	
15			400	
16			4000	
17	Library	4	4	
18			40	
19			400	
20			4000	

21		40	4	
22			40	
23			400	
24			4000	
25		400	4	
26			40	
27			400	
28			4000	
29		4000	4	
30			40	
31			400	
32			4000	

1000 repetitions per treatment.

Experimental Unit:

- Decision Trees

Response Values:

- The accuracy of the decision tree classification

Experimental Factors:

- **Studied:**

- Training set data quantity.
- Testing set data quantity.
- Decision tree variant.

- **Not studied:**

- Training set data values.

- Testing set data value.
- Decision tree internal structure.

Observational Factors:

- Random selection of an invalid case.

Factor Levels:

- **Decision Tree:** Original, Library
- **Train Quantity:** 4, 40, 400, 4000

Test Quantity: 4, 40, 400, 4000

Results:

The results of the experiment are available here:

<https://github.com/Esarac/FungiParadise/blob/master/Experiment/results.csv>

Analysis of the results:

Given the results, we want check whether there is a statistically significant difference between our original decision and the decision tree from the Accord library. Also, we want to check if there is a statistically significant difference between the Train Quantity groups. We will use the Two-Way ANOVA statistical tool to accomplish these objectives. We will analysis the Decision Tree variable groups, the Train Quantity variable groups, and a combination of Decision Tree and Train Quantity variable groups through ANOVA.

To do the Two-Way ANOVA analysis, we created a program in Python using the libraries pandas and statsmodels available in the latest Anaconda release. The program source code is available here:

<https://github.com/Esarac/FungiParadise/blob/master/Experiment/experiment.py>

We will use an alpha value $\alpha = 0.05$

Hypotheses for the Decision Tree variable:

H_0 (Null hypothesis): The decision trees are equally accurate in their prediction accuracy

H_a (Alternate hypothesis): The decision trees are not equally accurate in their prediction accuracy

Hypotheses for the Train Quantity variable:

H_0 (Null hypothesis): All the train quantity groups yield the same prediction accuracy

H_a (Alternate hypothesis): All the train quantity groups yield a different prediction accuracy

Hypotheses for the Decision Tree & Train Quantity combination variables:

H_0 (Null hypothesis): All the decision tree and train quantity combinations yield the same prediction accuracy

H_a (Alternate hypothesis): All the decision tree and train quantity combinations yield a different prediction accuracy

The program gave us the following tables after analysis the experimental data:

	sum_sq	df	F	PR(>F)
C(Decision_Tree)	0.011755	1.0	1.182378	2.769546e-01
C(Train_Quantity)	85.485049	3.0	2866.116064	0.000000e+00
C(Decision_Tree):C(Train_Quantity)	0.459460	3.0	15.404644	5.985984e-10
Residual	31.734965	3192.0	NaN	NaN

Table 1: Two-Way Anova

	Decision_Tree	Train_Quantity	Test_Quantity	Repetition	Accuracy
0	Library	4	1111.0	50.5	0.625749
1	Library	40	1111.0	50.5	0.933595
2	Library	400	1111.0	50.5	0.992890
3	Library	4000	1111.0	50.5	0.999995
4	Original	4	1111.0	50.5	0.584793
5	Original	40	1111.0	50.5	0.959644
6	Original	400	1111.0	50.5	0.992714
7	Original	4000	1111.0	50.5	0.999744

Table 2: Accuracy means

Important values for the Decision Tree variable (**Table 1**):

- F-value: 1.182378
- P-value: 0.2769546

Since our p-value is greater than our α (0.05), we will not reject the null hypothesis.

Important values for the Train Quantity variable (**Table 1**):

- F-value: 2866.116064
- P-value: 0

Since our p-value is less than our α (0.05), we will reject the null hypothesis and accept the null hypothesis.

Important values for the Decision Tree & Train Quantity variables (**Table 1**):

- F-value: 15.303644
- P-value: 5.985984×10^{-10}

Since our p-value is less than our α (0.05), we will reject the null hypothesis and accept the null hypothesis.

In addition, we can see in **Table 2** that as the Train Quantity increases, the mean of the prediction accuracy increases.

Evaluation and Conclusions:

From the ANOVA analysis and the data obtained through the Python program we can draw the following conclusions:

1. There is no significant statistical difference between our original decision tree implementation and the Accord library decision tree implementation
2. The prediction accuracy changes depending on the train quantity (as the train quantity increases, the prediction accuracy generally increases).
3. The increase in prediction accuracy that occurs as the train quantity increases can be observed in both decision tree implementations (our original implementation and the Accord library implementation).

This is great news for our team, since this means that we somehow managed to create a decision tree implementation that, while not as good, is actually comparable to the decision tree implementation of a trusted third-party library (the Accord library).