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**Coronaviruses (COVID-19) Prediction based on Symptoms**

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## 1.0 Introduction

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus. Most people infected with the COVID-19 virus will experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. Older people, and those with underlying medical problems like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness. The best way to prevent and slow down transmission is be well informed about the COVID-19 virus, the disease it causes and how it spreads. Protect yourself and others from infection by washing your hands or using an alcohol-based rub frequently and not touching your face. The COVID-19 virus spreads primarily through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when an infected person coughs or sneezes, so it is important that you also practice respiratory etiquette (for example, by coughing into a flexed elbow). At this time, there are no specific vaccines or treatments for COVID-19. Therefore, it is a need to provide a symptoms self-checker system for us to determine whether we are infected with this disease or not. This self-checker system not only allow the user to do a pre-testing but also helping the health care workers to reduce their workload.

## 2.0 Objective

1. To provide help for the user to check whether is infecting with the coronavirus disease or not.
2. To help to reduce the workload of the heath care workers where those medical supplies are limited.

### 3.0 Methodology

There will be several stages for this assignment such as data preparation, data cleaning, data visualization and etc. Each stage will be discussed in each section. Figure 1 showed the general flow of this project.

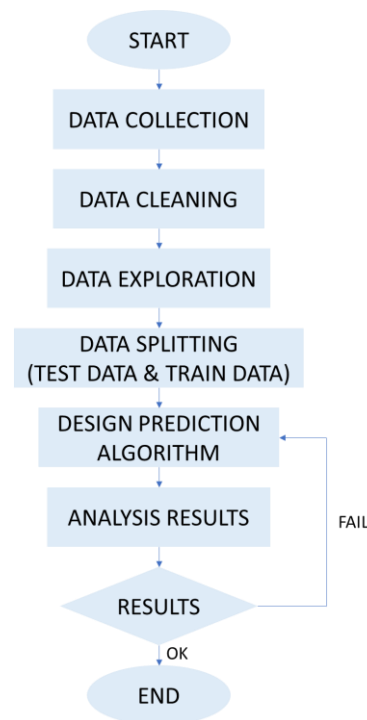


Figure 1: General flow of the Project

First, this assignment starts with data collection. The data that this project looking for is patient data with symptoms and detecting results. Next, this assignment will continue with data cleaning, data exploration and data splitting. After that, will research about suitable algorithms to do prediction. Next, will go through training and testing process and then only go for analysis on results. If the results are not as expecting, will redesign a better algorithm.

### 3.1 Data Collection Stage

First, this assignment will be using the data set from the [website](#). This website is from open data from government Israel. Therefore, it required to translate the language before we access the website. Because of the privacy issue, a lot of hospital will not be sharing their patient information and symptoms details.

### 3.2 Data Cleaning Stage

After downloading the dataset from the website, this project will need to do the data cleaning process to make sure the data are ready to be used. Before the data cleaning process, this project also has to make sure that what type of data will be using later. Therefore, at first, this project will check the data shape, structure, and their features. Next, this project will go through each column to check for the missing data. If the missing data is only a very small portion of the whole dataset, this project will directly remove it. Besides for the symptoms of the patients, this dataset also included the activities details for the patients whereby it also recorded the patient's records on 14 days traveling history and get contact history.

```
> describe(df)
df
  10 Variables      342700 Observations
-----
i..test_date
      n missing distinct
342700      0         72

lowest : 1/4/2020 1/5/2020 10/4/2020 10/5/2020 11/3/2020
highest: 7/5/2020 8/4/2020 8/5/2020 9/4/2020 9/5/2020
-----
cough
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      0      1  NULL
Frequency 305922 36528   250
Proportion 0.893 0.107 0.001
-----
fever
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      0      1  NULL
Frequency 323493 18957   250
Proportion 0.944 0.055 0.001
-----
sore_throat
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      0      1  NULL
Frequency 340770 1929    1
Proportion 0.994 0.006 0.000
-----
```

Figure 2: Result for data description

```
shortness_of_breath
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      0      1  NULL
Frequency 341124 1575    1
Proportion 0.995 0.005 0.000
-----
head_ache
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      0      1  NULL
Frequency 340287 2412    1
Proportion 0.993 0.007 0.000
-----
corona_result
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      Negative  Other  Positive
Frequency  321948    6123   14629
Proportion  0.939    0.018   0.043
-----
age_60_and_above
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      No  NULL  Yes
Frequency 132240 176691 33769
Proportion 0.386 0.516 0.099
-----
gender
      n missing distinct
342700      0         3

Value      female  male  NULL
Frequency 110834 107455 124411
Proportion 0.323 0.314 0.363
```

Figure 3: Result for data description

```

test_indication
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      Abroad Contact with confirmed      Other
Frequency      22079      10697      309924
Proportion      0.064      0.031      0.904
-----
>
> #summary of the data set
> describe(df)
df
  10 Variables      342700 Observations
-----
i..test_date
  n missing distinct
342700      0      72

lowest : 1/4/2020 1/5/2020 10/4/2020 10/5/2020 11/3/2020
highest: 7/5/2020 8/4/2020 8/5/2020 9/4/2020 9/5/2020
-----
cough
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      0      1      NULL
Frequency 305922 36528 250
Proportion 0.893 0.107 0.001
-----
fever
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      0      1      NULL
Frequency 323493 18957 250

```

Figure 4: Result for data description

```

sore_throat
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      0      1      NULL
Frequency 340770 1929 1
Proportion 0.994 0.006 0.000
-----
shortness_of_breath
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      0      1      NULL
Frequency 341124 1575 1
Proportion 0.995 0.005 0.000
-----
head_ache
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      0      1      NULL
Frequency 340287 2412 1
Proportion 0.993 0.007 0.000
-----
corona_result
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      Negative      Other      Positive
Frequency      321948      6123      14629
Proportion      0.939      0.018      0.043
-----
age_60_and_above
  n missing distinct
342700      0      3

Value      No      NULL      Yes
Frequency 132240 176691 33769
Proportion 0.386 0.516 0.099

```

Figure 5: Result for data description

```

gender
  n missing distinct
342700      0        3

Value      female      male      NULL
Frequency 110834 107455 124411
Proportion 0.323  0.314  0.363
-----
test_indication
  n missing distinct
342700      0        3

Value      Abroad Contact with confirmed      Other
Frequency      22079      10697      309924
Proportion      0.064      0.031      0.904
-----
> head(df)
  i..test_date cough fever sore_throat shortness_of_breath head_ache corona_result
1  21/5/2020    0    0      0          0          0      0      Negative
2  21/5/2020    0    0      0          0          0      0      Negative
3  21/5/2020    0    0      0          0          0      0      Negative
4  21/5/2020    0    0      0          0          0      0      Negative
5  21/5/2020    0    0      0          0          0      0      Negative
6  21/5/2020    0    0      0          0          0      0      Negative
  age_60_and_above gender test_indication
1      NULL      NULL      Other
2      NULL      NULL      Other
3      NULL      NULL      Other
4      NULL      NULL      Other
5      NULL      NULL      Other
6      NULL      NULL      Other
> introduce(df)
  rows columns discrete_columns continuous_columns all_missing_columns total_missing_values
1 342700    10          10          0          0          0
  complete_rows total_observations memory_usage
1      342700      3427000      13721992

```

Figure 6: Result for data description

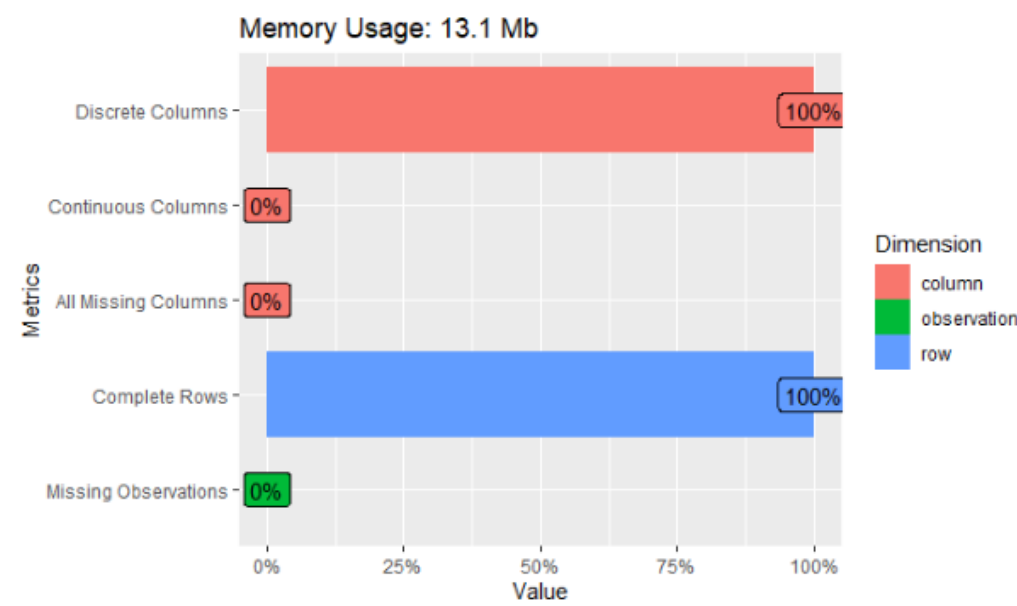


Figure 7: Plot of the dataset

This dataset does not have any missing column because all the missing columns are considered as NULL value.



```

> #Check the shape of the data
> dim(df)
[1] 342700      10
> cat("Sample data:", nrow(df), "\nFeatures:", ncol(df))
Sample data: 342700
Features: 10>
> # Check the structure of the data
> str(df)
'data.frame':   342700 obs. of  10 variables:
 $ i..test_date      : Factor w/ 72 levels "1/4/2020","1/5/2020",...: 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39
9 ...
 $ cough             : Factor w/ 3 levels "0","1","NULL": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ fever            : Factor w/ 3 levels "0","1","NULL": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ sore_throat      : Factor w/ 3 levels "0","1","NULL": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ shortness_of_breath: Factor w/ 3 levels "0","1","NULL": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ head_ache        : Factor w/ 3 levels "0","1","NULL": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ corona_result     : Factor w/ 3 levels "Negative","Other",...: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ age_60_and_above : Factor w/ 3 levels "No","NULL","Yes": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
 $ gender           : Factor w/ 3 levels "female","male",...: 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
 $ test_indication   : Factor w/ 3 levels "Abroad","Contact with confirmed",...: 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
3 ...
>
> # Check all the feature name of the data
> names(df)
[1] "i..test_date"      "cough"             "fever"             "sore_throat"
[5] "shortness_of_breath" "head_ache"         "corona_result"     "age_60_and_above"
[9] "gender"            "test_indication"

```

Figure 8: Check the structure of the dataset

```

-- Data Summary -----
Name                               Values
Number of rows                    df
Number of columns                  342700
Column type frequency:
  factor                           10
Group variables                    None

-- Variable type: factor -----
# A tibble: 10 x 6
  skim_variable    n_missing complete_rate ordered n_unique
  <chr>           <int>         <dbl> <lgl>    <int>
1 i..test_date      0             1 FALSE     72
2 cough             0             1 FALSE     3
3 fever            0             1 FALSE     3
4 sore_throat       0             1 FALSE     3
5 shortness_of_breath 0             1 FALSE     3
6 head_ache         0             1 FALSE     3
7 corona_result     0             1 FALSE     3
8 age_60_and_above  0             1 FALSE     3
9 gender            0             1 FALSE     3
10 test_indication  0             1 FALSE     3
  top_counts
  <chr>
1 20/: 10521, 19/: 10166, 22/: 9243, 21/: 9167
2 0: 305922, 1: 36528, NUL: 250
3 0: 323493, 1: 18957, NUL: 250
4 0: 340770, 1: 1929, NUL: 1
5 0: 341124, 1: 1575, NUL: 1
6 0: 340287, 1: 2412, NUL: 1
7 Neg: 321948, Pos: 14629, Oth: 6123
8 NUL: 176691, No: 132240, Yes: 33769
9 NUL: 124411, fem: 110834, mal: 107455
10 Oth: 309924, Abr: 22079, Con: 10697

```

Figure 9: Data Summary

```

> #Check the simple descriptive statistics of the data
> summary(df)
      i..test_date      cough      fever      sore_throat      shortness_of_breath
20/4/2020: 10521      0 :305922      0 :323493      0 :340770      0 :341124
19/4/2020: 10166      1 : 36528      1 : 18957      1 : 1929      1 : 1575
22/4/2020: 9243      NULL: 250      NULL: 250      NULL: 1      NULL: 1
21/4/2020: 9167
16/4/2020: 8972
1/4/2020 : 8645
(Other) :285986
head_ache      corona_result      age_60_and_above      gender
0 :340287      Negative:321948      No :132240      female:110834
1 : 2412      Other : 6123      NULL:176691      male :107455
NULL: 1      Positive: 14629      Yes : 33769      NULL :124411

      test_indication
Abroad : 22079
Contact with confirmed: 10697
Other :309924

```

Figure 10: Simplify version of descriptive statistics for the dataset

```

> # Check whether any missing value in the dataset
> sum(is.na(df))
[1] 0
> sum(is.null(df))
[1] 0
> sum(df$cough=="NULL")
[1] 250
> sum(df$fever=="NULL")
[1] 250
> sum(df$sore_throat=="NULL")
[1] 1
> sum(df$shortness_of_breath=="NULL")
[1] 1
> sum(df$head_ache=="NULL")
[1] 1
> sum(df$corona_result=="NULL")
[1] 0
> sum(df$age_60_and_above=="NULL")
[1] 176691
> sum(df$gender=="NULL")
[1] 124411
> sum(df$test_indication=="NULL")
[1] 0

```

Figure 11: Check Missing value

After proceeding with all the data cleaning process, the clean dataset will be looking like figure

12.

	cough	fever	sore_throat	shortness_of_breath	head_ache	age_60_and_above	gender	Abroad	Contact
36	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
47	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
641	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1024	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1243	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1589	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1617	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1619	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1625	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1631	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1635	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1639	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1908	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

Figure 12: Clean data

### 3.3 Data Exploration Stage

In this data exploration stage, this project will do some analysis on the data which include some comparison between the symptoms and the results.

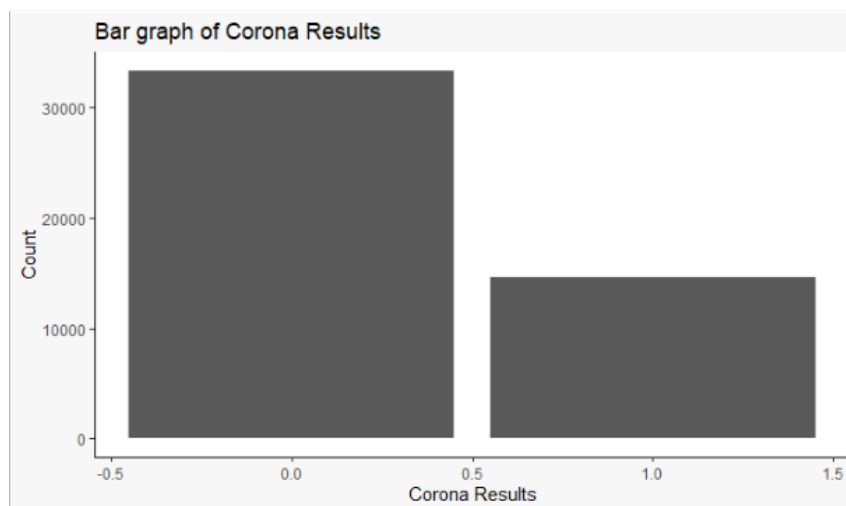


Figure 13: Overall corona result of this dataset

From figure 13, the dataset showed the patient that does not infect with the virus is lesser than who infected.

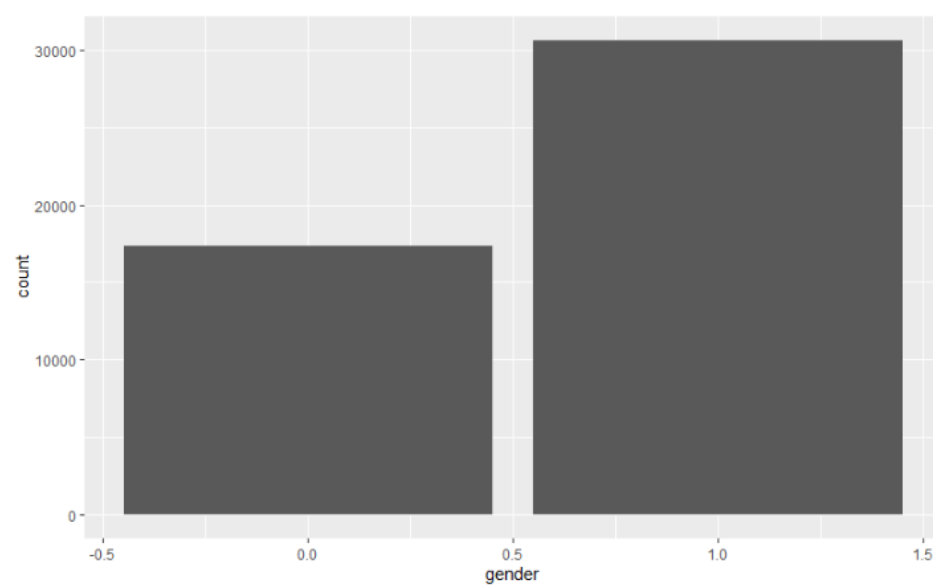


Figure 14: Comparison between gender and corona result

From figure 14, this dataset has more male patient who infected this corona virus than female patient.

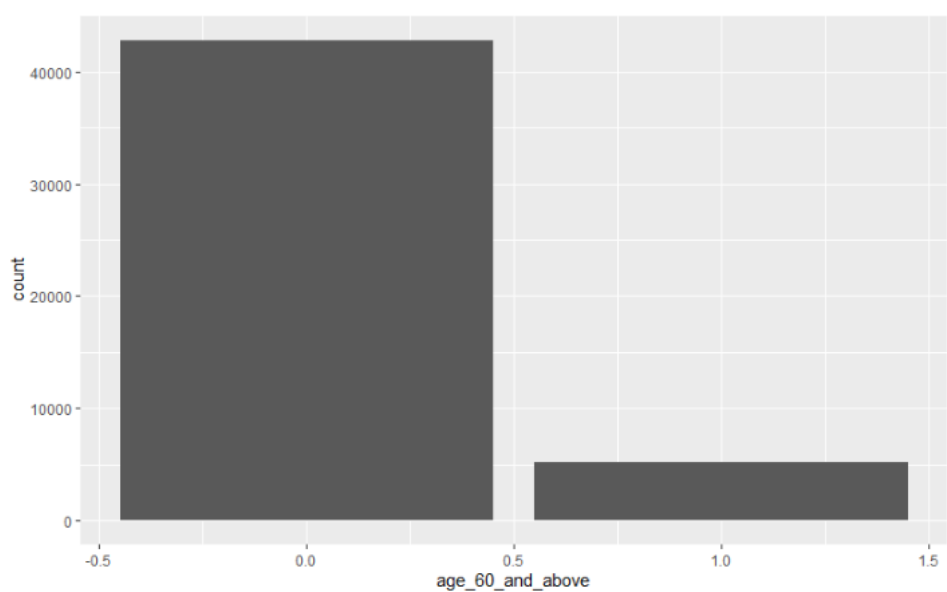


Figure 15: Comparison between age and corona result

Figure 15 showed that generally there are more young patient who has the corona virus than the older one.

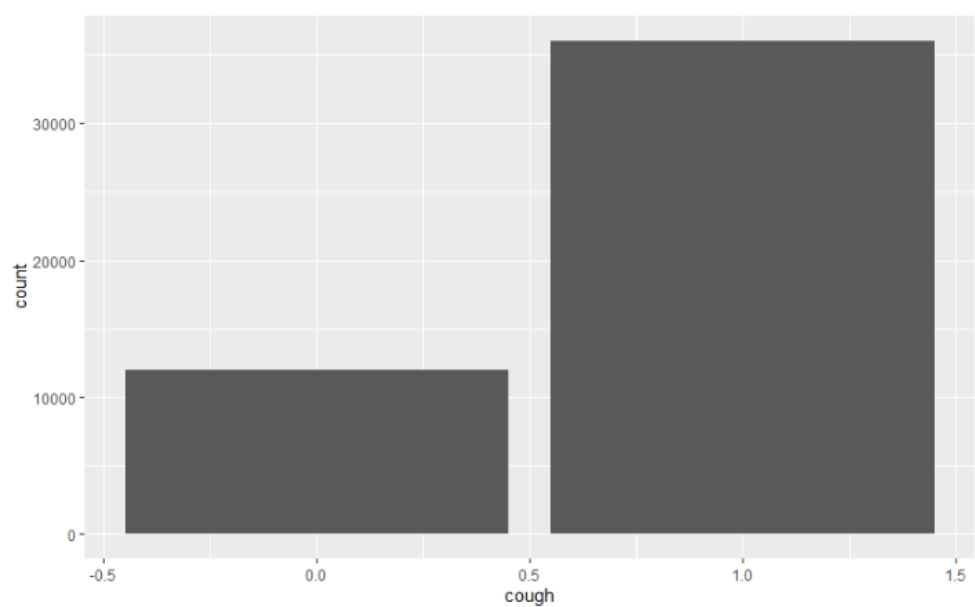


Figure 16: Comparison between cough and corona result

Figure 16 showed the patient who having symptom like cough have higher chances to get infected with this corona virus.

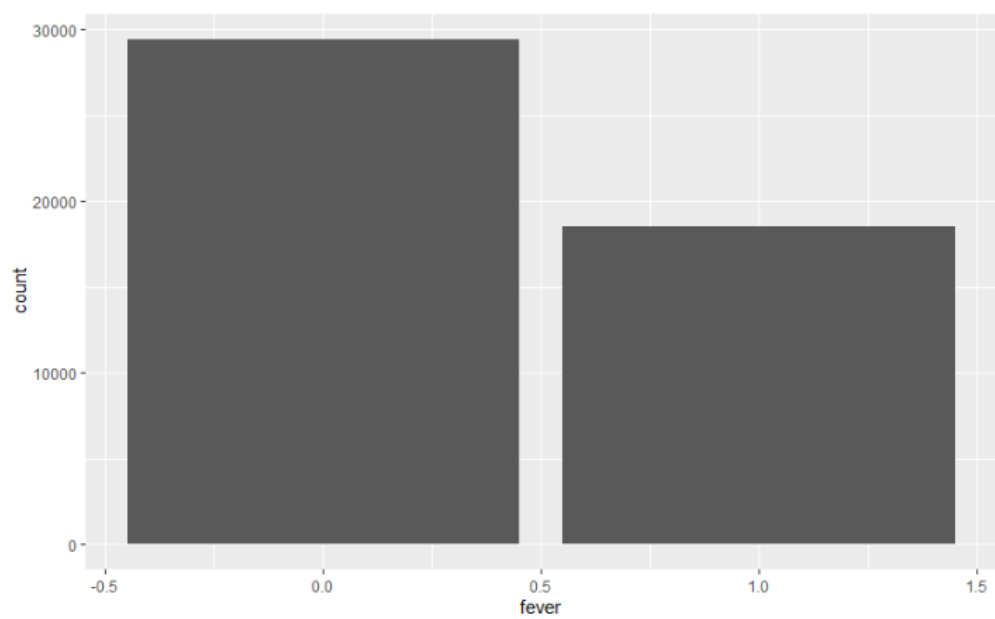


Figure 17: Comparison between fever and corona result

Figure 17 showed the patient who having symptom like fever are not necessary to get infected with this corona virus.

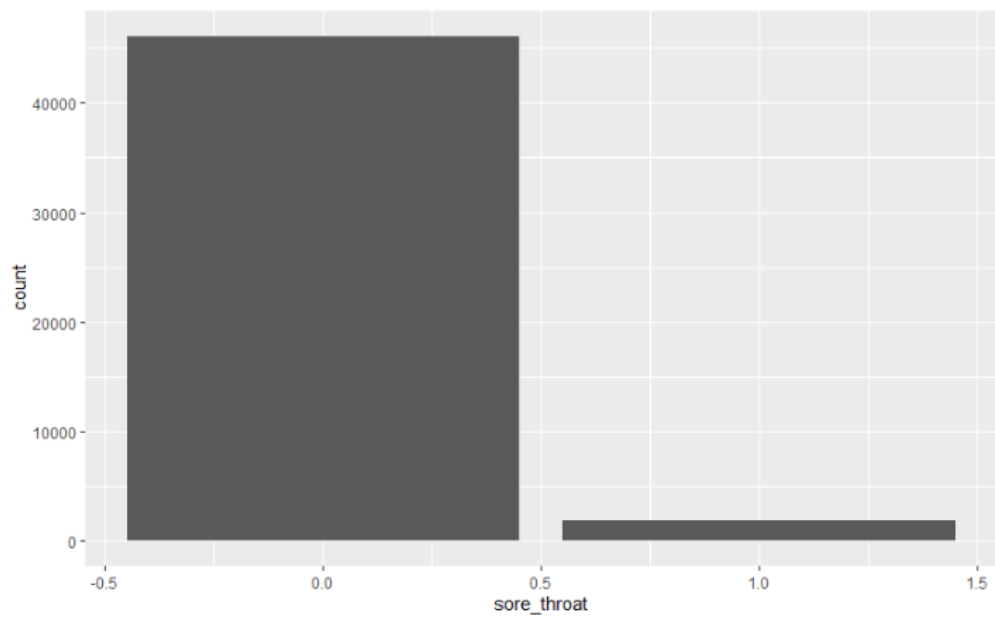


Figure 18: Comparison between sore throat and corona result

Figure 18 showed the patient who having symptom like sore throat are not necessary to get infected with this corona virus.

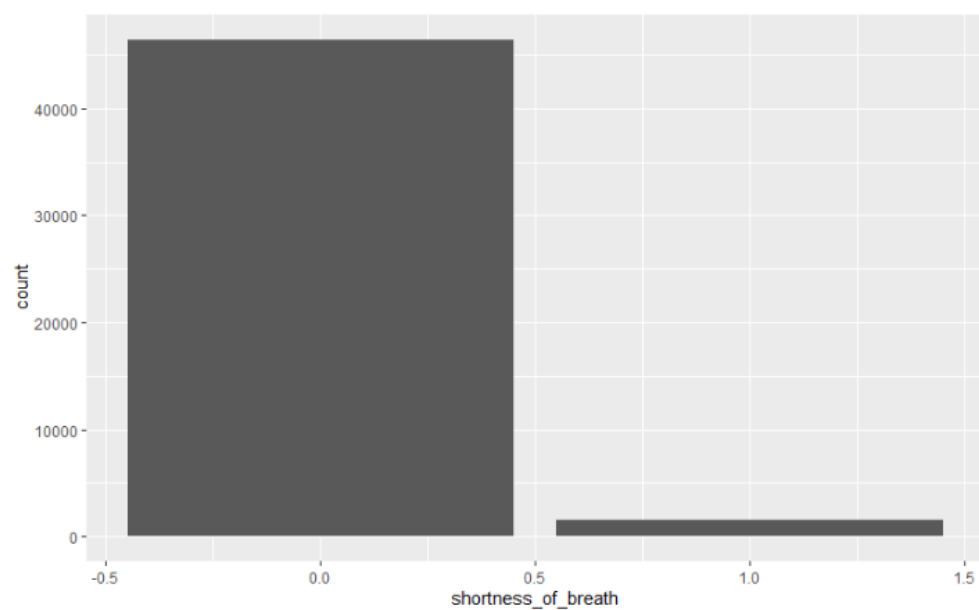


Figure 19: Comparison between shortness of breath and corona result

Figure 19 showed the patient who having symptom like shortness of breath are not necessary to get infected with this corona virus.

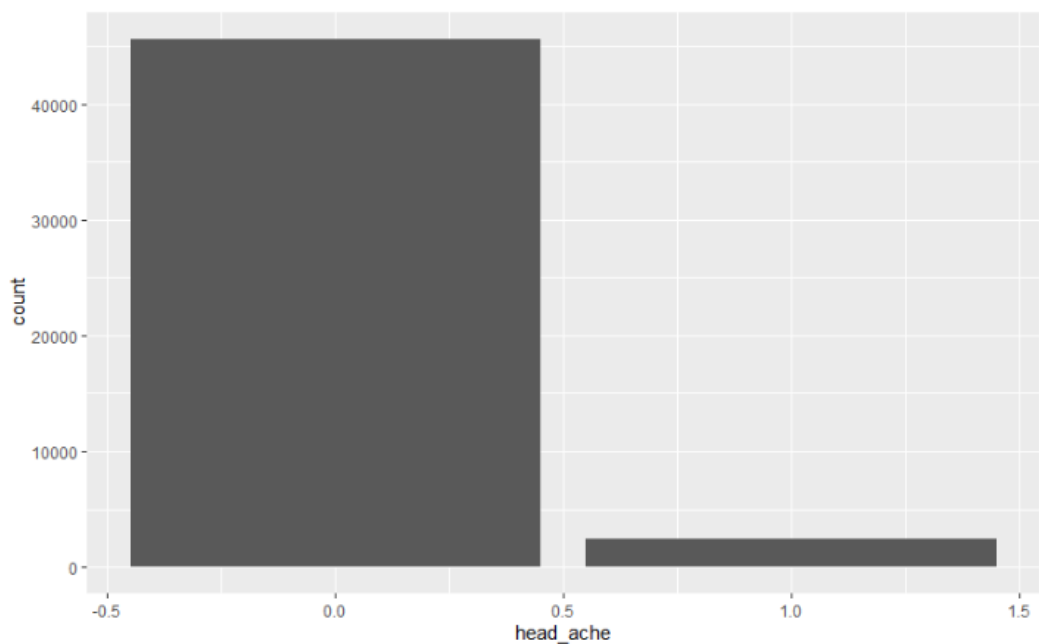


Figure 20: Comparison between headache and corona result

Figure 20 showed the patient who having symptom like headache are not necessary to get infected with this corona virus.



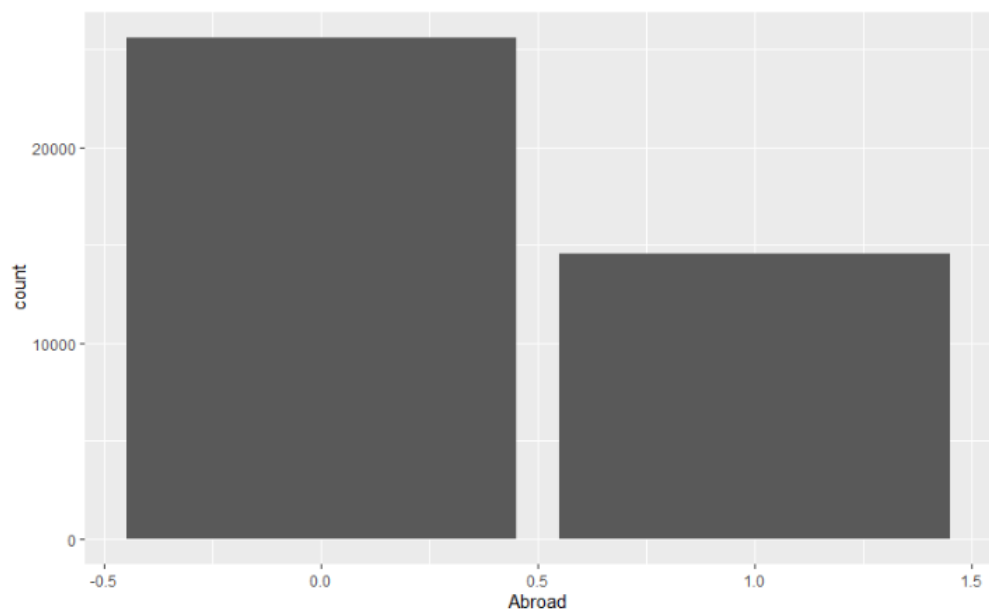


Figure 21: Comparison between abroad and corona result

Figure 21 showed the patient who having recent activity like abroad are not necessary to get infected with this corona virus.

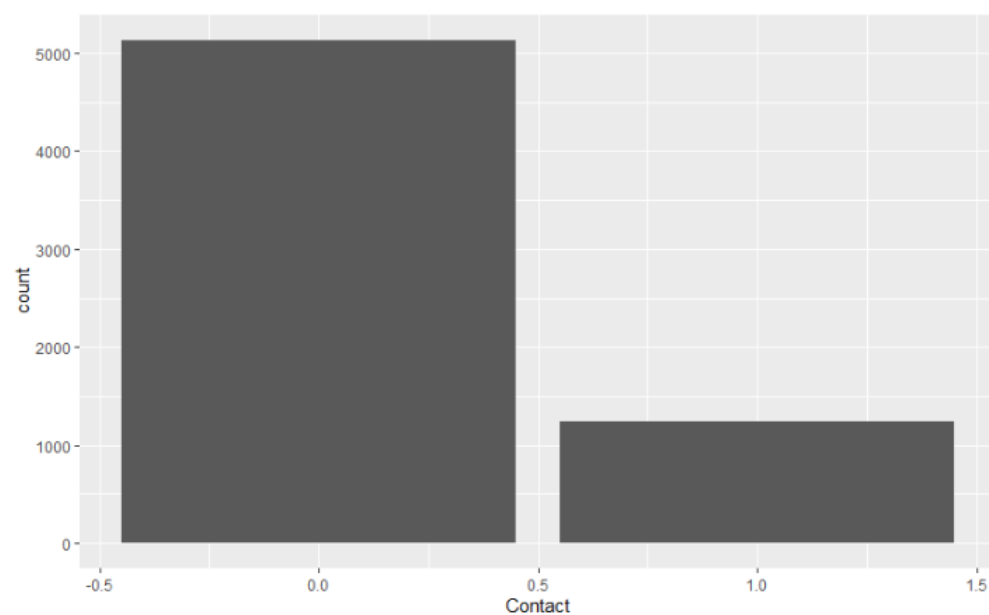


Figure 22: Comparison between contact and corona result

Figure 22 showed the patient who having recent activity like close contact with patient are not necessary to get infected with this corona virus.

### 3.4 Data Modelling stage

For this data modelling stage, this project will be using two different algorithms as the prediction algorithm which are Naive Bayes Classification and Decision Tree Algorithm. After that, this project will compare the results for both algorithms and select the best algorithm.

#### 3.4.1 Naïve Bayes Classification

For this naïve bayes classification, there are two different methods to apply in R language. The first one is without any splitting data where just use the naïve bayes function from the library and train the data. And the second one required to split the data into two which representing train data and test data. After the model training the train data will use the test data to do prediction accuracy testing.

```
NBModel <- naive_bayes(corona_result ~., data = clean_df)
#Prediction on the dataset
NB_Predictions=predict(NBModel,clean_df)
#Confusion matrix to check accuracy
table(NB_Predictions,clean_df$corona_result)
NB_Predictions
```

Figure 23: Naïve Bayes Function (Without splitting data)

```
#use naive bayes to do training
#First splitting data, training set and testing set
indxTrain <- createDataPartition(y = clean_df$corona_result, p=0.75, list = FALSE)
train_data <- clean_df[indxTrain,]
test_data <- clean_df[-indxTrain,]

prop.table(table(clean_df$corona_result)) * 100

x <- train_data[, -11]
y <- train_data$corona_result

model = caret::train(x,y,'nb',trControl=trainControl(method='cv',number=10))
#save(model,file="E:/UM/Master/Sem 1/WQD7001 PRINCIPLES OF DATA SCIENCE/Assignment/Group/Final/Model/NB.rda")
#model evaluation (test on testing data)
Predict <- predict(model,newdata = test_data)
confusionMatrix(Predict, test_data$corona_result)
```

Figure 24: Naïve Bayes Function (With splitting data)

### 3.4.2 Decision Tree Algorithm

For decision tree algorithm, the data will also split into two part which are train data and test data. After that, the train data will be used to training with this decision tree algorithm. After the training process is done, this project will be testing the prediction accuracy using the test data.

```
#-----Decision Tree Algorithm-----
prop.table(table(train_data$corona_result))
prop.table(table(test_data$corona_result))
dim(train_data)
dim(test_data)

tree_de <- rpart(corona_result~.,data=train_data, method = 'class')
rpart.plot(tree_de, extra= 106)

#Prediction on test data
model_tree <- predict(tree_de, test_data, type = "class")
confusionMatrix(model_tree, test_data$corona_result)
```

Figure 25: Decision tree algorithm (With splitting data)

## 3.5 Analysis Results Stage

After all the algorithms being trained and tested, this project comparing those three algorithms methods' results which are naïve bayes function without splitting data, naïve bayes function with splitting data and decision tree algorithm with splitting data. This project will use the confusion matrix to determine the accuracy for the algorithms.

```
NB_Predictions      0      1
      0 30368  4314
      1   3001 10315
.. ..
```

Figure 26: Confusion Matrix for naïve bayes function without splitting data

Based on figure 26, we can calculate the accuracy of this naïve bayes function without splitting data are 0.8475.

For the naïve bayes function with splitting data and decision tree algorithm with splitting data, we put 0.75 as the splitting ratio.

```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

      Reference
Prediction 0    1
0  7563 1141
1   779 2516

      Accuracy : 0.84
      95% CI   : (0.8333, 0.8465)
No Information Rate : 0.6952
P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16

      Kappa : 0.6116

McNemar's Test P-Value : < 2.2e-16

      Sensitivity : 0.9066
      Specificity : 0.6880
      Pos Pred Value : 0.8689
      Neg Pred Value : 0.7636
      Prevalence : 0.6952
      Detection Rate : 0.6303
      Detection Prevalence : 0.7254
      Balanced Accuracy : 0.7973

      'Positive' Class : 0

```

Figure 27: Results of naïve bayes function with splitting data

As from figure 27, we can clearly see that the accuracy of naïve bayes function with splitting data is also around 0.84.

```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

      Reference
Prediction  0    1
0  8192 1472
1   150 2185

      Accuracy : 0.8648
      95% CI   : (0.8586, 0.8709)
No Information Rate : 0.6952
P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16

      Kappa : 0.645

McNemar's Test P-Value : < 2.2e-16

      Sensitivity : 0.9820
      Specificity : 0.5975
      Pos Pred Value : 0.8477
      Neg Pred Value : 0.9358
      Prevalence : 0.6952
      Detection Rate : 0.6827
      Detection Prevalence : 0.8054
      Balanced Accuracy : 0.7898

      'Positive' Class : 0

```

Figure 28: Results of decision tree algorithm with splitting data

As from figure 27, the prediction accuracy result of decision tree algorithm with splitting data is also around 0.8648 which are much higher than the naïve bayes algorithms method.

## 4.0 Discussion

After we compared all the results for each algorithm, we can clearly see that decision tree algorithm with splitting data has higher prediction accuracy compare to naïve bayes algorithm. Besides, for the naïve bayes algorithm with training data and without training data, both prediction values are almost similar. This indicate that the internal library function did consider about training process. Besides, based on the data exploration, we also noticed that this dataset contained unbiased variable that might affect the accuracy of the prediction results.

## 5.0 Limitation and conclusion

Even though the prediction system is able to predict with the accuracy up to 86.5%, there are still some of the limitation that need to be mentioned. First will be the unbiased variable data set. Based on figure 29, we can clearly see that this dataset has a lot of unbiased variable which might cause the results to become unbiased. Next is the size of the dataset. Because of those limitation of data sources, this dataset are very limit and the amount of data cannot represent for all the possibility of infecting this corona virus. Therefore, in future, we hope we can get more different dataset to enlarge the sample size.

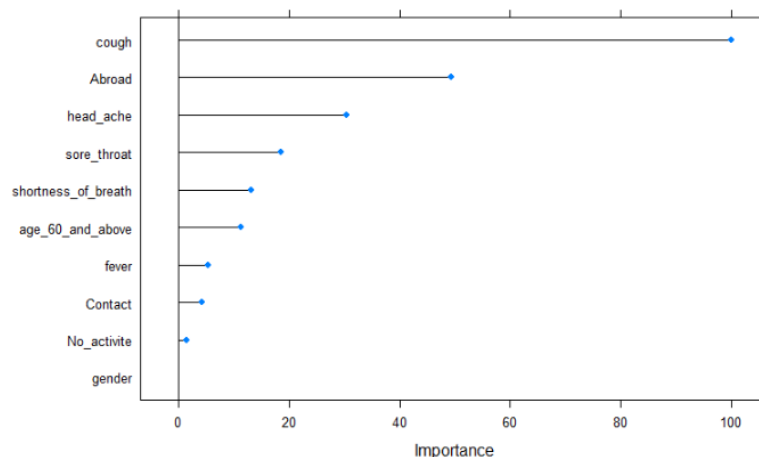


Figure 29: Variable performance for each category

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