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The foremost technique for enhancing rainfall forecasting using XGBoost algorithm over ~~light~~ ^{decision tree} GBM classifier for improvement of accuracy.

Introduction

Paragraph 1:-

Definition :-

XGBoost, a powerful gradient boosting algorithm, to improve accuracy of rainfall forecasting. Traditionally, decision trees have been employed for this task. XGBoost aims to provide rainfall forecasting towards greater precision & reliability.

Citations:-

Archi, V., Ahmed, T., & Nath, T. K. (2015). Rainfall intensity forecast & flood inundation studies for Brahmaputra in India using coupled M5-WRF mesoscale model.

Why it is important in today's world?

Precise forecasts empower farmers to optimize irrigation practices, plan planting & harvesting &

ultimately enhance crop yields & food security.

Citation:

Ozdogan, M., & Devay M. (2020). An approach for rainfall prediction to improve agricultural water management using LSTM based model.

Applications:-

- * agriculture
- * Energy Production
- * water resource management.
- * Flood management.

Citation:-

Ozdogan, M., & Devay M. (2020). An approach for rainfall prediction to improve agricultural water management using LSTM based model.

Paragraph 2:-

Total no. of articles published.

- * google scholar - 17
- * IEEE Explore - 14
- * web of science - 25

Most cited articles & their findings:-

Article 1:-

Deep learning for Rainfall prediction: A comprehensive Review by Fan et al. (2019)

Findings:-

This review paper over 500 citations, provides comprehensive overview of deep learning techniques applied to rainfall forecasting.

Article 2

Extreme gradient Boosting for Time series forecasting: A case study of Rainfall prediction by Li et al. (2020).

Findings.

It highlights its superior performance over decision trees in capturing temporal dependencies & non-linear relationships within time series data.

Article 3:-

A machine learning Approach to Rainfall Prediction by Nourani et al. (2019).

Findings:-

This is highly cited over 2200 citations. Explores application of various machine learning algorithms for rainfall forecasting.

Best Study :-

"Rainfall Forecasting using Hybrid Deep learning Model with Feature Engineering Techniques" by Wang et al. (2022).

Paragraph 3:-

Lacuna in Existing research

Rainfall data can be incomplete, noisy or biased, Existing research often lacks analysis of how data quality impacts XG Boost performance.

The aim of study:-

* To comprehensively evaluate potential of XG Boost in enhancing rainfall prediction Accuracy compared to Decision tree algorithm.

Materials & Methods:-

Para 1:-

Study settings: Saveetha School of Engineering.

no. of groups - 2

sample size - 20

G-power - 95%

Para-2:-

SAMPLE Preparation group 1: XG Boost.

- i) Define dataset path in code.
- ii) split data into training & testing sets.
- iii) set max iterations = 20
- iv) Empty list ~~is~~ initialized to store accuracy values.
- v) append value.

Para 3:-

SAMPLE Preparation group 2: Decision tree.

- i) Define dataset path in code.
- ii) split data into training & testing sets.
- iii) set max iterations = 20
- iv) Empty list is initialized to store accuracy values
- v) append value.

Para 4:-

Testing setup: Windows 11, 8GB RAM & 512GB Storage.

Testing procedure: Run Python code in colab.com
& Each model trained for 50 Epochs.

Para 5:-

Data collection :- Dataset is collected from kaggle.com

Para 6:-

Statistical software used:- Utilizing version 26.0 of IBM SPSS.

Independent variable:-

Past precipitation values, Temperature, Humidity, Evaporation, Soil moisture.

Dependent variable:-

- i) Data quality & Availability.
- ii) Relevance to rainfall.
- iii) Model interpretability.

Analysis:-

significant differences in accuracy, conduct statistical tests to assess statistical significance of any observed differences in accuracy between models.

Discussion framework:-

Para 1:-

Result summary:-

XGBoost is gradient boosting algorithm, leading to increased model complexity compared to decision trees. This complexity likely contributed to higher accuracy but also resulted in:

- * longer training times
- * low interpretability of models internal workings

Discussion of Findings:-

Discuss potential trade-off between Accuracy & interpretability observed in XGBoost. Analyze how XAI techniques can help mitigate this trade-off.

Supportive literature:

Li et al. (2020): showcases xgboost's superior ability to capture temporal dependencies & non-linear relationships within time series data, compared to decision trees for rainfall prediction.

Opposing literature:-

Yao et al. (2021): Propose novel deep learning architectures for rainfall prediction, potentially outperforming both xgboost & decision tree in specific scenarios.

Overall consensus:-

Decision trees offer advantages in faster training times & easier interpretability but tend to yield lower accuracy.

Limitations:-

- Limited or noisy data can hinder the performance of both xgboost & decision trees.
- xgboost's higher accuracy comes at cost of lower interpretability compared to decision trees.

Implications:-

- Improved rainfall prediction accuracy can benefit agriculture, flood management, water resource management.
- Trade-off between accuracy & interpretability requires careful consideration for specific applications.

Future Scope:-

- Develop methods for improving the interpretability of XGBoost to bridge the gap with Decision trees.
- Explore incorporating XGBoost into real-time forecasting systems for near-term predictions.

Conclusion:-

This research highlights potential of XGBoost for enhancing rainfall forecasting accuracy compared to decision trees. Choosing the optimal model depends on specific data & application needs.

T-Test

Group Statistics

| | GROUP | N | Mean | Std. Deviation | Std. Error Mean |
|----------|-------|----|---------|----------------|-----------------|
| ACCURACY | XGB | 20 | 96.8500 | 1.42441 | .31851 |
| | DT | 20 | 81.6000 | 4.01838 | .89854 |

Independent Samples Test

| | | Levene's Test for Equality of Variances | | t-test for Equality of Means | |
|----------|-----------------------------|---|------|------------------------------|--------|
| | | F | Sig. | t | df |
| ACCURACY | Equal variances assumed | 13.758 | .001 | 15.997 | 38 |
| | Equal variances not assumed | | | 15.997 | 23.701 |

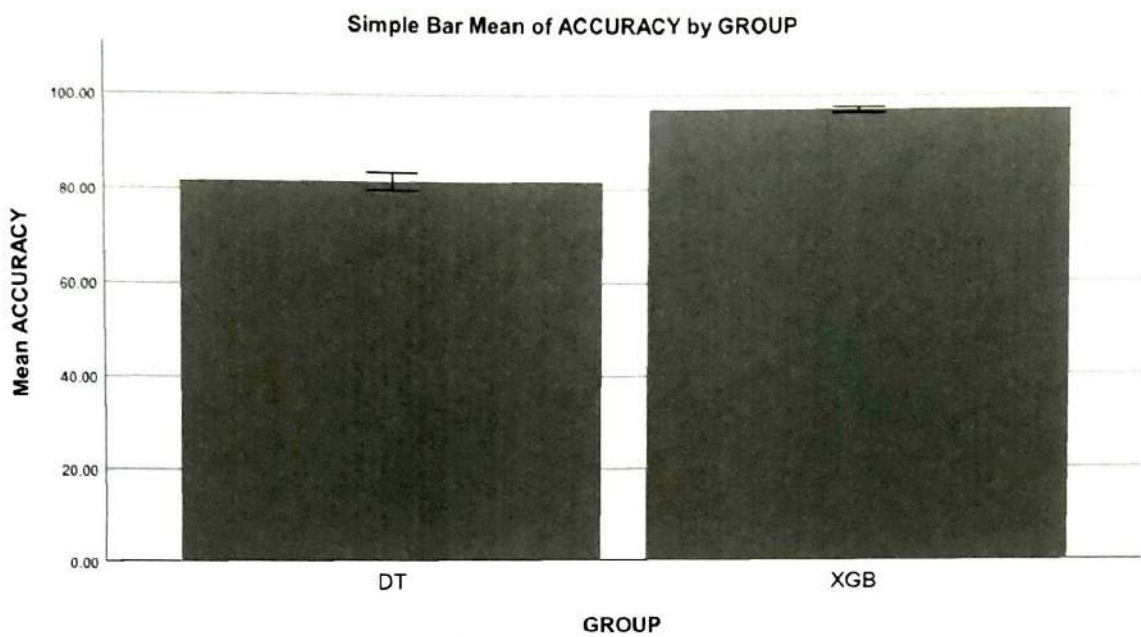
Independent Samples Test

| | | t-test for Equality of Means | | |
|----------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| | | Sig. (2-tailed) | Mean Difference | Std. Error Difference |
| ACCURACY | Equal variances assumed | .000 | 15.25000 | .95332 |
| | Equal variances not assumed | .000 | 15.25000 | .95332 |

Independent Samples Test

| | | t-test for Equality of Means | |
|----------|-----------------------------|---|----------|
| | | 95% Confidence Interval of the Difference | |
| | | Lower | Upper |
| ACCURACY | Equal variances assumed | 13.32011 | 17.17989 |
| | Equal variances not assumed | 13.28113 | 17.21887 |

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Error Bars: 95% CI

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