

# Decision Tree Ensemble Techniques To Predict Thyroid Disease



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**Abstract:** Decision tree provides help in making decision for very complex and large dataset. Decision tree techniques are used for gathering knowledge. Classification tree algorithms predict the experimental values of women thyroid dataset. The objective of this research paper observation is to determine hyperthyroidism, hypothyroidism and euthyroidism participation in hormones can be good predictor of the final result of laboratories and to examination whether the propose ensemble approach can be similar accuracy to other single classification algorithm. In the proposed experiment real data from 499 thyroid patients were used classifications algorithms in predicting whether thyroid detected or not detected on the basis of T3, T4 and TSH experimental values. The results show that the expectation of maximization classification tree algorithms in those of the best classification algorithm especially when using only a group of selected attributes. Finally we predict batch size, tree confidential factor, min number of observation, num folds, seed, accuracy and time build model with different classes of thyroid sickness. Different classification algorithms are analyzed using thyroid dataset. The results obtained by individual classification algorithms like J48, Random Tree and Hoeffding gives accuracy 99.12%, 97.59% and 92.37 respectively. Then we developed a new ensemble method and apply again on the same dataset, which gives a better accuracy of 99.2% and sensitivity of 99.36%. This new proposed ensemble method can be used for better classification of thyroid patients.

**Keywords :** J48, Random Tree, Hoeffding, Prediction, T3, T4, TSH, hypothyroidism, hyperthyroidism, euthyroidism and ensemble model

## I. INTRODUCTION

Hormones play major role in blood stream to maintain metabolism in human. The production of high hormones and low hormones both are dangerous. The general objective of thyroid gland is to produce thyroid hormones. The main objective of thyroid gland is to maintain bloodstream through the regulation of metabolism. If thyroid gland produces more hormones then it will be hyperthyroidism and if thyroid gland produces less hormones then it will be hypothyroidism [1].

The three hormones tri-iodothyronine (T3), L-thyroxin and

TSH regulate the metabolic functions of human body. These hormones utilize proteins and manage fats in human body. In pituitary gland thyrotrophic stimulating is released if require more hormones. The pituitary gland control and manage production of hormones in the blood stream [2].

Thyroid disease is a different thing about all other diagnosis system. It's visibility and treatments are different. Thyroid hormone has many symptoms in initial to final stage. It is generally arises from disorder life style and foods after it increasing and decreasing hormones production finally make health system [3].

The paper analysis is organized on batch size, confidential factor, num decimal places, num folds, seed and accuracy of a model in decision making through J48, Hoeffding and Random Tree. The discuss about all dataset of thyroid in multiple way of classification tree algorithm and finally measure the evaluation accuracy increases with time built model training set. Classification decision tree provide many types help in identification of thyroid disease. It provides better help in dataset classification as a tree model in which attributes represents root ,nodes and leaf nodes. Analyst easily analysis all the functions of related dataset [4].

By the help of proposed three algorithms easily classify hyperthyroidism, hypothyroidism and euthyroidism. We easily indentify as a tree path and finally reach on decision node to leaf nodes. Present paper discuss to all the symptoms of thyroid patients and declare types of problem. It is very difficult to identify hyperthyroidism and hypothyroidism problems in another way [5].

## II. RELATED WORK

Ahmad et.al discussed about thyroid endocrine gland in blood issue and function of the body. They discussed by feature selection, Fuzzy rule, maximal absolute difference Linguistic Hedge and total serum thyroxin. They provided classification accuracy 98.604% and achieved different testing phase of clustering one, two, three and four clusters for each class and 12 fuzzy rules. The generated 88.372%, 90.6977%, 91.6744%, and 97.6744% cluster size during training phase [6].

Tahani et.al discussed about clustering ensemble model and how combines multiple clustering models. They analyzed adaptive clustering ensemble model. Adaptive algorithm measured and transformed initial clusters into binary representation aggregation to produce final clusters. They used co- association, k-means, similarity measurement, machine learning and data mining [7].

Xiyu et.al discussed about new class of tissue system .They analyzed traditional tissue P systems to new class of tissue system.

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They used thyroid disease analysis, tissue P system, membranes structure and clustering algorithm. They analyzed thyroid disease for classification [8].

Ammrollahi et.al discussed about effect on thyroid gland of human bodies. They analyzed how thyroid function managed and balanced the metabolism. They used expert systems Bio-chemistry. They used fuzzy rules to system provided help in non expert who are suspicions of their thyroid function and provided help in expert for their diagnosis [9].

Ahmad et.al discussed about thyroid hormones production from thyroid gland. They analyzed compression hard and fuzzy clustering for thyroid disease and find optimal number of clusters. They used thyroid disease K-means, K-model clustering fuzzy C-means. They improved actual number of clusters present in thyroid data set and find clustering performance is much better to compare to other [10].

Saiti et.al discussed about thyroid cancer by different classifier algorithms. They increase accuracy of thyroid cancer dataset. They generated an ensemble model to predict thyroid cancer and provided much accuracy compare to other previous prediction [11].

Vikas et.al discussed about medical dataset by different machine learning algorithms. They used data mining different algorithms for taking decision as a decision tree and regression tree. After all the prediction find 93% classification accuracy. They suggested to boost algorithm for prediction [12].

Vikas et.al discussed about breast cancer in women by some different machine learning algorithms. They used supporting key as like: Breast, Data Mining, Naïve Bayes and RBF Network. After all the prediction they find Naïve Bayes give the highest accuracy 97.36% [13].

Bridget et al. discussed about circulation serum FT4 level in pregnant women. In circulation FT4 perchlorate exposure is negatively associated with circulating levels in third trimester pregnant women. They used Perchlorate , Iodine, Pregnancy, birth and Weight[14].

Awasthi and Anil Antony discussed about classification and diagnosis of thyroid disease . they used KNN, Support Vector Machine, T3, T4 and TSH for diagnosis. They find some values missing while the user entering the values. They used K-Nearest Neighbor algorithm in thyroid diagnosis for approximating the missing values in the user input [15].

This analysis paper analyze classification tree algorithms: J48, Random tree and Hoeffding for predicting where thyroid hormones as like T3, T4 and TSH experimental values. The results show that the expectation maximization classification tree algorithms in those of the best classification algorithm especially when using only a group of selected attributes. Summaries all the analysis paper predict batch size, tree confidential factor, min number of observation, num folds, seed, accuracy and time build model with different classes of thyroid sickness.

### III. METHODOLOGY

Collected thyroid dataset is from github uci and pathology. The use of these data sets for only experimental purposes. We have used all methodology are used in four stages:

- A- Data Description
- B- Algorithm description
- C- Proposed Method

### A. Data Description

In this experiment we select data from Rahul thyroid diagnosis center and github uci. All the dependable variables have definition with his explanation as like: Hyperthyroidism: Too much hormone production, Hypothyroidism: To little hormone production, Euthyroidism: The state of normal thyroid function. All the hormones (T3, T4 and TSH) define in with his evolution ranges in ng/dl, µg/dl and µl/ml. The values of T3, T4 and TSH mentioned in above table.1.

**Table.1 Thyroid Dataset variables representation**

Source	Rahul thyroid diagnosis center, <a href="https://github.com/mikeizbicki/datasets/blob/master/csv/uci/new-thyroid.names">https://github.com/mikeizbicki/datasets/blob/master/csv/uci/new-thyroid.names</a>	References	
Sample Size	499= Total: 228 =Hyperthyroidism, 237= Euthyroid State and 34= Hypothyroidism		
<b>Dependent Variables</b>			
Hyperthyroidism	Too much hormone production	[3],[16]	
Hypothyroidism	To little hormone production		
Euthyroidism	The state of normal thyroid function		
<b>Independent Variables</b>			
T3	(60-200)ng/dl	Triiodothyronine Stimulates the metabolism	[3],[16],[17]
T4	(4.5-12.0)µg/dl	Thyroxin produced by thyroid gland	
TSH	(6.3-5.5)µl/ml	Thyroid Stimulating Hormone pituitary hormone	

### B. Algorithms Description

In this analysis developed model provides support to doctor in treatment. Proposed model is for consulting only doctors but final decision follow by doctors in treatment. Three classification algorithms J48, Random Tree and Hoeffding. Generate and combine model with carrying the majority by voting algorithms. Different varieties of seeds and portioned into different classes which is based on many features.

**RANDOM TREE:** Random tree provide a platform for merging the individual learners. It constructs a random field of data for constructing decision tree. Every nodes of generated tree behaves as like best split for all variables and randomly choose best node. If we use random tree as a group of tree then it will be tree predictors or forest but all the mechanism follows the random trees and the outputs the class level has received the majority of votes. Random tree improve the performance of single decision tree and conscience more way of randomization [17], [18],[19],[20].

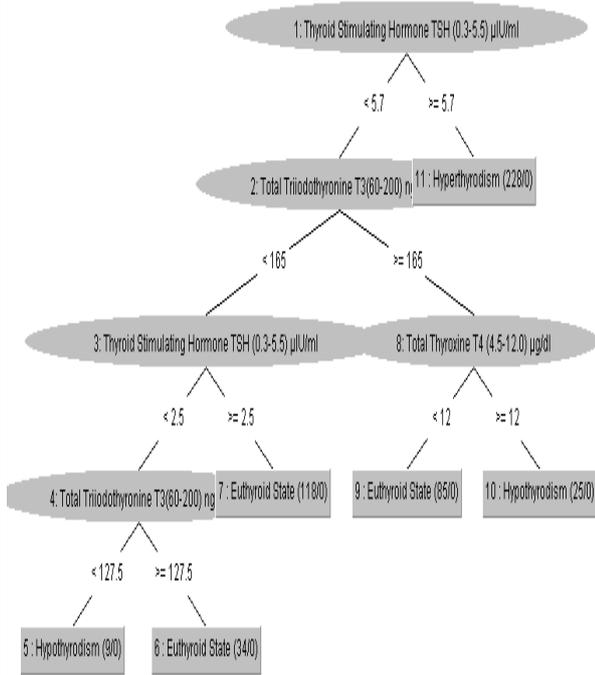


Fig.1. Random tree representation for thyroid dataset

**J48:** The generate the building model of thyroid data set classes by J48 algorithm from a set of records that contain class level. The decision tree find out the way of attribute direction behaves for all thyroid instances. By the help of this algorithm we will generate the rules for prediction for all target variables. The main objective of this algorithm in decision generation more progressive, decision tree and gain more accurate result by decision tree [21].

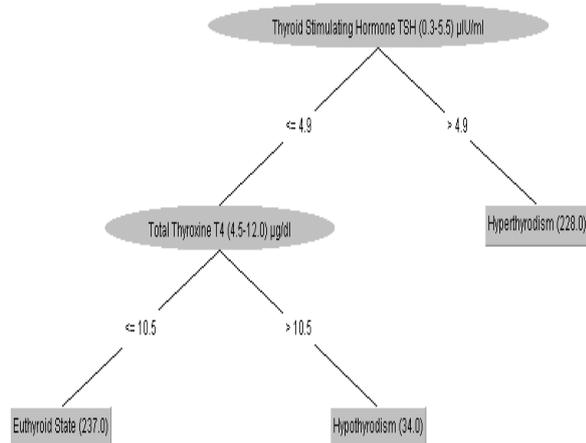


Fig.2. J48 representation for thyroid dataset

**HOEFFDING:** Hoeffding decision tree algorithm support in generating stream. Now generate an incremental generating stream that will not be change over time [22].

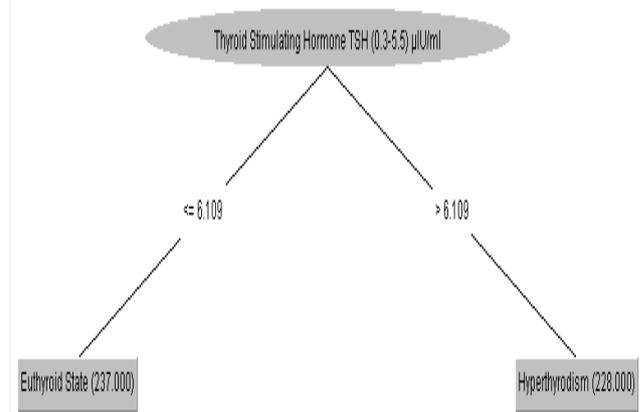


Fig.3. Hoeffding representation for thyroid dataset  
C. Proposed Method

This analysis uses algorithm for classification and prediction, by the help of these decision trees easily organize form of tree structure of thyroid dataset. Nodes of the tree shows the attributes of the dataset and edges will be used for represent the value of these attributes and finally find the leaf nodes as decision nodes. In propose model select women thyroid dataset from laboratories and after the preprocessing of missing values evaluate the correlation of attribute and take the values of T3, T4 and TSH then apply the algorithm in many faces of tree. Classify all thyroid dataset with different iteration of attributes and compare with tree ensemble model and finally evaluate the majority of voting for different classes of thyroid as like hyperthyroidism, hypothyroidism and euthyroidism.

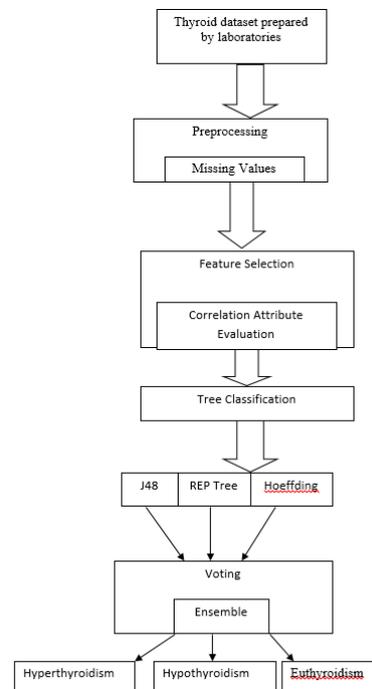


Fig.4. Proposed ensemble model for thyroid dataset

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## IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Thyroid dataset in which 499 cases included as a record in csv file. The classification model has four attributes T3, T4, TSH and the target variables as a class level observation have three type of classes that are: hypothyroidism, hyperthyroidism and euthyroidism.

Some issues overcome in random split thyroid dataset in training and testing set. The random splits find contradiction between getting results and realistic results. In this paper, discuss and compare three tree algorithms with an ensemble model:

### Experiment-I:

The role of J48 tree algorithm in thyroid dataset for different number of samples as like 100, 200 and 300, by the help of these batch prediction easily perform instances process. In this analysis observe confidential factor (0.25, 0.50 and 0.75) pruning and find minimum number of branches of instances in thyroid dataset experiment are 2, 3 and 4,. Analyze and discuss about controlling the sequences by number and reduce error pruning for randomize dataset.

**Table.2. Computational table for thyroid dataset using J48**

Iterations	Batch Size	Confidential Factor	Min NumObj	Num Folds	Seed	Accuracy	Time (in Second)
1	100	0.25	2	3	1	97.32	0.04
2	200	0.50	3	5	2	97.34	0.04
3	300	0.75	4	10	3	99.12	0.03

By the experiment it is clear that the default value of seed is 1, but select different sequence of random attributes by changing the seed 2 and 3. In this experiment find, if increase batch size (300), MinNumObj (4), Number of fold (10) and seed (3) then find highest accuracy (99.12%) with less time build model 0.03 seconds.

### Experiment-II:

The role of random tree algorithm in thyroid dataset for different number of samples. In this analysis observe confidential factor, minimum number of branches, Num Folds and seed with different increasing accuracy.

**Table.3. Computational table for thyroid dataset using Random tree**

Iterations	Batch Size	Confidential Factor	Min NumObj	Num Folds	Seed	Accuracy	Time (in Second)
1	100	0.25	2	3	1	93.67	0.02
2	200	0.50	3	5	2	93.67	0.02
3	300	0.75	4	10	3	97.59	0.02

In this experiment find, if increase batch size (300), MinNumObj (4), Number of fold (10) and seed (3) then find highest accuracy (97.59%) with less time build model 0.02 seconds.

### Experiment-III:

The role of hoeffding tree algorithm in thyroid dataset for different number of samples. In this analysis observe confidential factor, minimum number of branches, Num Folds and seed with different increasing accuracy.

**Table.4 Computational table for thyroid dataset using Hoeffding**

Iterations	Batch Size	Confidential Factor	Min NumObj	Num Folds	Seed	Accuracy	Time (in Second)
1	100	0.25	2	3	1	89.31	0.07
2	200	0.50	3	5	2	89.22	0.07
3	300	0.75	4	10	3	92.37	0.05

In this experiment find, if increase batch size (300), MinNumObj (4), Number of fold (10) and seed (3) then find highest accuracy (92.37%) hoeffding tree with less time build model 0.05 seconds.

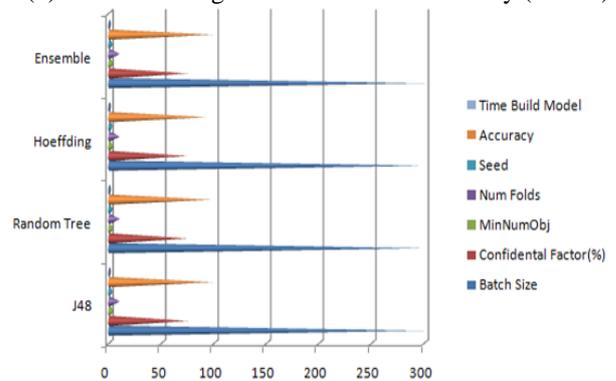
### Experiment-IV:

The role of ensemble model in thyroid dataset for different number of samples. In this analysis observe confidential factor, minimum number of branches, Num Folds and seed with different increasing accuracy.

**Table.5. Computational for thyroid dataset using Ensemble Model**

Iterations	Batch Size	Confidential Factor	Min NumObj	Num Folds	Seed	Accuracy	Time (in Second)
1	100	0.25	2	3	1	98.43	0.05
2	200	0.50	3	5	2	98.43	0.05
3	300	0.75	4	10	3	99.20	0.05

In this experiment find, if increase batch size (300), MinNumObj (4), Number of fold (10) and seed (3) then find highest accuracy (99.20%) with less time build model 0.05 seconds. In the above all analysis of experiment I,II,III and IV, find the highest batch size(300), confidential factor(75%), minimum number of objects(4), number of folds (10) and seed(4) claculated heighest classification accuracy (99.2%).



	Ensemble	J48	Random Tree	Hoeffding
Time Build Model	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.05
Accuracy	99.2	99.12	97.59	92.37
Seed	4	4	4	4
Num Folds	10	10	10	10
MinNumObj	4	4	4	4
Confidential Factor(%)	75	75	75	75
Batch Size	300	300	300	300

**Fig.5. Computational figure with table of thyroid dataset for comparing**

It is generated by Ensemble model of all given tree algorithms so majority of voting find that ensemble model of these tree algorithm is best. There is not major difference between generated time build models.

## V. CONCLUSION

Hormones disorders in thyroid are a major problem in human. Various researchers work continues on this thyroid field and they used classification based data mining techniques. In this analysis used J48, Hoefding and Random tree on thyroid dataset and identify more accurately model of decision tree on all possible experiments. In experimental study collect data from the values of T3, T4, TSH, Thyroid gland, Hyperthyroid, Hypothyroid and Euthyroidism at various levels and find (99.2%) classification accuracy in thyroid dataset. It is more accurate result of ensemble model compares the all other used tree algorithms with (0.05 seconds) time built model. Summaries all the experimental results and implement decision tree using more helpful data mining technique. In this analysis the ensemble classification technique improved evaluates accuracy and test thyroid dataset. In future work observe the identification of different affected factors of thyroid dataset and test more different and large dataset for diabetes, heart disease etc.

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