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AN APPROACH OF ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS FOR PREDICTION OF GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER

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ABSTRACT: - Anxiety disorders are most rapidly increasing in the present society. Among them one of the serious disorders is GAD stands for Generalized Anxiety Disorder which is observed in various cases of people. We have implemented Artificial Neural Networks using sensitivity analysis and without using sensitivity analysis for developing of better predictive models for GAD. The results were observed that sensitivity analysis improves the performance of neural networks when compared with without using sensitivity analysis.

Keywords: - Anxiety disorders, sensitivity analysis, Data mining, artificial neural networks

1. INTRODUCTION

It is very important to regulate emotions of people in the society. Now a days so many emotional disorders were present in all the people starting from women, children and adults. They are suffering from a lot of stress, anxiety etc. Some of the disorders if we don't predict prior itself they leads to the severe disorders like depression and schrezoephinia etc. From the last 2 decades good research was conducted in this wing and several models were produced for emotional disorders [1]. These are mainly categorized as mood and anxiety disorders. Here we are developing predictive models for anxiety disorder category that is Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD) by implementing artificial neural networks. They can produce better class predictive models for any disease. We are implementing this using a machine learning tool with a clinical dataset of 66 subjects.

They are so many kinds of anxiety disorders.

- 1) Panic Disorder
- 2) Obsessive compulsive disorder
- 3) Generalized anxiety disorder
- 4) Social anxiety disorder

For our research we are taking GAD the most common disorder which is existing in all cases of patients .Symptoms include uneasiness, stress, anxiety etc[2].

2. GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER

This disorder includes excessive, unrealistic worry and tension for very small reasons. Generalized anxiety disorder (GAD) is a Kind of continuous anxiety and worry for small and different events and activities. Generalized anxiety disorder (GAD) is a common condition. Family history and genetically issues are also a cause of anxiety disorders. Stress increases anxiety so it plays a major role for developing this disorder .Any person of any age can develop this disorder, even children. Most people with the disorder report that they have

been anxious for as long as they can remember. It occurs more often in women than in men. The main symptom is continuous worry or tension, without any small cause. Worries seem to float from one problem to another, which are family and relationship issues, work related issues, money and health problems.

Other symptoms includes concentration is difficult, highly irritable, problems in sleep, always feeling restless. Along with the worries and anxieties, a number of physical problems may also be present, including muscle tension such as shakiness, headaches and stomach problems like diarrhoea[3][4][5].

3. DATA MINING

Data mining is considered as an important of information management and technology and it is method to extract, analyze the data, patterns in a large relational database. The main steps are listed below [7].

3.1. Data selection Depending on objectives and subjects of the work extract and identify relevant data from the database.

3.2. Data integration Integrate sources of data obtained from various places.

3.3. Data purification and cleansing Select delete and filter through volumes of datasets for inappropriate or inconsistent data.

3.4. Data transformation Transform data into the acceptable data format for data mining.

3.5. Data Mining Apply Data mining techniques to build suitable model.

3.6. Model evaluation Use measurement tools to evaluate accuracy of the model.

3.7. Display of knowledge Use graphical representation to visualize and present the knowledge discovered in front of users [8].

4. ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS

Neural networks are designed by the Inspiration of the working of the brain. These networks with parallel & distributed processing (PDP) architecture and inspired by the working of the brain these are large collection of simple processing units (neurons) and local connections between units. There is no central control processing unit. Here the information processed in a parallel and distributed way. They are capable of performing computations, including universal computations. They are also capable of “learning” by changing the relative strengths of connections between neurons.

The main types of neural networks are

- feed forward neural networks,
- feed backward networks and
- The combination of both.

The main applications of neural networks are given below.

4.1. Function approximation here the estimation of non-linear function mapping input to output without the need to specify functional form is done.

4.2. Regression Here the main task is time series prediction.

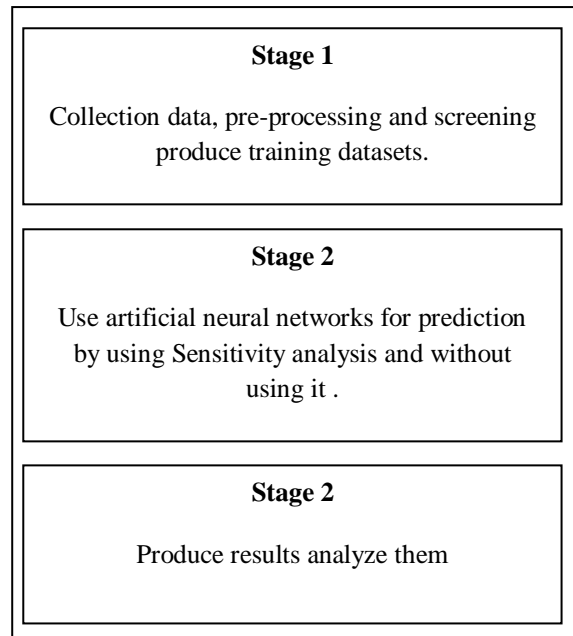
4.3. Classification The main task under this are pattern recognition, image classification & reconstruction. Here back propagation is a supervised learning technique used and is most suitable in diagnostic and predictive problems. BPNN involves multi-layer topology that includes an input layers hidden layer, hidden layer and an output layer.

4.5. Research methodology

This experiment is divided into 3 different stages. First stage includes data collection and pre-processing. Data obtained from patients using DSM IV standard questionnaire. Total 66 samples were collected based on the questionnaire. Missing and incomplete data is removed.

Second stage includes obtaining predictive models on datasets. To get predictive models we have used a machine learning and data mining tool Clementine V11.1 from SPSS. We integrated 66 samples with possible 14 factors which are noting but attributes. First we implemented NN without using sensitivity analysis and next we have applied on the data. It is a technique to improve the predictive model accuracy.

Third stage includes presenting results. The results were produced using graphs compared and analysed. The following diagram shows the 3 different stages pictorially.



4.6. Attribute description

Here attributes are divided into 2 categories.

1. General attributes
2. Attributes related to DSM IV standard questionnaire.[16].

General attributes

Attribute	type	Description
Age	Symbol 0-2	0-below 18,1 for above 18 to 60 and 2 for above 60.
Zender	Symbol 0-1	1 for male and 2 for female
Occupation	Symbol 0-2	0 for unemployed,1 for employed and 2 for retired.
Working hours	Symbol 0-1	0 is <=8 hrs and 1 is >8 hrs
Score	Symbol 0-8	Depending upon the answers answered by the patients in the

		questionnaire, the score is calculated. Min value is 6 and max value is 8.
Disordered	Symbol y/n	Depending on the above attribute score disordered or not is decided. Y for disordered and N for not.

4.7. Attributes based on DSM IV questionnaire

Attribute	type	Description
Feeling Nervous, Anxious	Symbol 0-1	1 for YES and 0 for NO
Not Being Able To Stop Or Control Worrying	Symbol 0-1	1 for YES and 0 for NO
Worrying Too Much About Different Things	Symbol 0-1	1 for YES and 0 for NO
Trouble Relaxing	Symbol 0-1	1 for YES and 0 for NO
Becoming Easily Annoyed Or Irritable	Symbol 0-1	1 for YES and 0 for NO
Feeling Afraid As If Something might Happen	Symbol 0-1	1 for YES and 0 for NO

5. TRAINING AND TESTING OF NEURAL NETWORK

Here we have implemented neural networks for performing predictive modelling, here the input layer consisting all of the input fields or variables which are used to predict the outcome variables. The output layer consisting an output field which is the target field of the prediction. The hidden layer consisting a number of neurons where the outputs from the previous layer. A network can be having any number of hidden layers. All neurons in one layer in the network are connected to all neurons within the next layer when the network is in the learning stage. The following figure provides details of implementation of neural network using Clementine 11.0.[9][10].

Clementine V11.0 provides two different types of supervised neural networks, one is Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP) and the second one Radial Basis Function Network (RBFN). There are five different

algorithms available within the Neural Net node of Clementine but this paper has used the most widely used method called Quick method. Here in the Quick method feed-forward back-propagation network is used, the topology of this network is based on the number and types of the input and output fields. To prevent the problems like over-training in neural networks, randomly selected proportion of the training data is used to train the network. The data pass repeatedly through the network, and then the network learn patterns that exist in the sample only and thus over-train. Hence the network becomes too specific to the training sample data. Here the randomly selected proportion of the training data of the network is used to train the network and once the proportion of data has made a complete pass through the network, the remaining part of the data is reserved as a test set which is to evaluate the performance of the current neural network architecture.[16].

6. SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

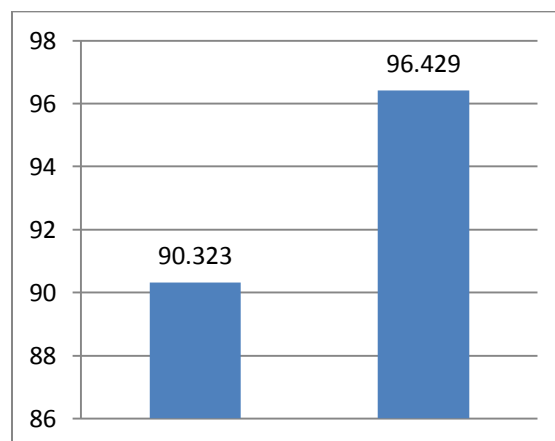
It can provide a way of understanding of relationships of attributes and objectives. Here we can input a different set of parameters, variable and values that can produce different outcomes. This method analyzes and reflects the sensitivity degree of how the outcome of the model can be apportioned and altered to different circumstances of variation. The main objectives of sensitivity analysis are

1. Delete variables that have no or less influence to neural network while in training to reduce network complexity.
2. Understanding the degree of influence of each and every variable to network training. As the sensitivity degree increases it shows the larger impact on the outcomes of ANN's.

7. RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

The analysis section of the generated model displays information about the neural network. Figure of the following represents the predictive accuracies of 2 neural networks using sensitivity analysis and without using it. The predicted accuracy for the neural network without sensitivity analysis is 90.323%, after implementing sensitivity analysis the accuracy became 96.429%, which is indicating the proportion of the test set correctly predicted and improving the accuracy. This study has experimented with multiple hidden layers in the neural network, containing one input layer with 15 neurons one hidden layer with three neurons. The output layer contains two neurons corresponding to the two values of the output field. The following figure shows the difference in accuracies using sensitivity analysis and without using sensitivity analysis.

It is performed after the network is trained. It provides information on which input fields are most important in predicting the output field. The result of sensitivity analysis is shown below.[10][11][12][13].



The above diagram represents the accuracies of neural networks using sensitivity analysis and without using it. This result indicating that it improves the performance of neural networks and predictive accuracy.

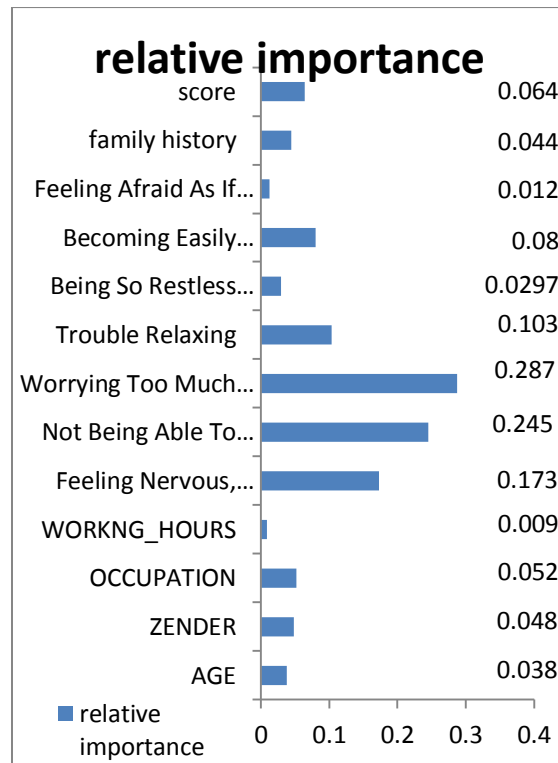


Figure of above represents relative importance of the input variables by implementing sensitivity analysis of the generated neural network.[16]. The input fields are listed with relative importance. Importance values can range from 0.0 and 0.2, where 0.0 indicates unimportant and 0.2 and above indicates extremely important. Here we observed that “worrying too much about different things” variable is most important field than others remaining fields having more relative importance of 0.287. The generated Neural Net calculates two new fields, \$N-Disordered and \$NC- Disordered, for every record in the input data base. The first represents the predicted Disordered (yes or no) and the second a confidence value for the prediction.

8. FUTURE SCOPE AND CONCLUSION

Anxiety disorders becoming serious issue in the society. So to build an effective and efficient model is an important research problem now. The main objective of this paper is to develop an effective and efficient model for prediction of GAD and also suggests that data mining techniques can be a promising solution for disease prediction. For our future works several issues can be taken into consideration. The very first step includes effective data pre-processing, secondly the neural networks can be implemented for existing data by applying various other predictive techniques such as SVM (Support Vector Machines), genetic algorithms and develop hybrid models to improve performance and accuracy. Finally implementing the data on more no of factors [14][15][17].

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