



# The Comparison between Bayes and Certainty Factor Method of Expert System in Early Diagnosis of Dengue Infection

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## Abstract

The development of existing artificial intelligence technology has been widely applied in detecting diseases using expert systems. Dengue Infection is one of the diseases that is commonly suffered by the community and may cause in death. In this study, an expert diagnosis system for dengue infection is made by comparing between both Bayes method and Certainty Factor. The aims are to build an expert system using Bayes and Certainty Factor for early diagnosis of dengue infection and also to determine their level of accuracy. There are 80 data used in this study which are obtained from the medical records of Sekaran Health Center in Semarang City. The test results show that the level of accuracy obtained from 80 medical record data for Bayes method is 90% and the Certainty Factor method is 93,75%.

**Keywords:** Expert System, Bayes, Certainty Factor, Dengue Infection

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The development of both information and technology has recently undergone a lot of rapid changes, along with the more and more complex human needs. All aspects of human activities cannot be separated from the use of computers. A branch of computer science that might help human performances is an expert system which is as a subfield of artificial intelligence. Artificial intelligence is the field of computer science that focuses on creating machines as brilliant as human behavior [1]. The word intelligence includes many cognitive skills such as the ability to learn, understand, recognize, and categorize in an effort to solve real-life problems [2]. Expert systems are computer-based systems that use knowledges, facts, and reasoning techniques in solving problems that can be solved by an expert in a particular field [3]. With the help of an expert system, a layman or someone who is not expert in such particular fields will be able to answer questions, solve problems and make decisions that are usually done by an expert [4]. The aim of the expert system is not merely replace human roles, but human knowledge is also conveyed in the form of a system so that it can be used by many people [5]. The use of expert systems is currently used in the field of health, such as the problem in making a diagnosis of diseases.

Entering the rainy season, Indonesia faced a significant increase of patients with dengue infection. Dengue infection is an infectious disease caused by a dengue

virus which is transmitted through the bite of *Aedes Aegypti* and *Aedes Albopictus* mosquitoes. In 2015, there were 126,675 DHF sufferers from 34 provinces in Indonesia and approximately 1,229 of them died. The death rate due to dengue virus infection can be reduced by implementing an early diagnosis. Thus, an expert system is hoped to solve some problems such as it might help Indonesian people to detect from an early stage of illness and they will not get late to get the treatment since a doctor has limited time [6].

Many methods are currently used in building expert systems, including Bayes and Certainty Factor. The selection of both Bayes and Certainty Factor methods is very suitable to be used for expert systems in this research since Bayes and Certainty Factor methods are basically used to deal with uncertainty and obscurity problems [7]. Bayes method is a part of a probability techniques that emphasizes the concept of probability hypotheses and evidence, whereas in the Certainty Factor emphasizes the value of trust given by a user and an expert.

Several studies have examined this research, including a study entitled "Comparison of Naive Bayes and Certainty Factor Method for Corn Disease Expert System: Case in Bangkalan, Indonesia". This study explains that the use of Certainty Factor method is better than the Naive Bayes method by producing experiments with an accuracy rate of up to 80% [8].

Based on the description above, this study aims to build an expert system for early diagnosis of dengue infection by using Bayes and Certainty Factor and to determine the level of accuracy between Bayes and Certainty Factor in the early diagnosis of dengue infection.

## **2. METHODS**

### **2.1. Bayes**

Bayes probability is one way to solve problems in the uncertain data. This method is widely applied in several matters relating to statistical diagnoses to probabilistic and the possibility of diseases and associated symptoms [9].

The formula for determining the Bayes method is shown in the following equation:

$$P(H|E) = \frac{P(E|H) \times P(H)}{P(E)} \quad (1)$$

Information:

$P(H|E)$  = probability of H hypothesis is correct if it is given by E evidence.

$P(E|H)$  = probability of E evidence rise if it is known the H hypothesis is correct.

$P(H)$  = probability of H hypothesis regardless of any evidence.

$P(E)$  = probability of evidence E regardless of anything.

### **2.2. Certainty Factor**

The certainty factor is a way of combining trust (belief) and distrust (unbelief) in a single number [10]. This Certainty Factor is proposed to accommodate the uncertainty of expert's thought who often analyzes information with expressions such as: possible, most likely, almost certain, etc. [11]. To accommodate this

matter, Certainty Factor is used to describe the level of experts' trust toward the problem faced by them. Certainty Factor shows a measure of certainty about a fact or rule as follows.

$$CF [H, E] = MB[H,E] - MD[H,E] \quad (2)$$

Information:

CF [H, E] = certainty factor.

MB [H, E] = a measure of confidence/ level of confidence in the H hypothesis, if given / influenced by evidence E (between 0 and 1).

MD [H, E] = a measure of distrust / level of uncertainty about the H hypothesis, if given / influenced by evidence E (between 0 and 1).

In general, the rules are represented in the following form [12].

- 1) Rules with single E evidence and a single H hypothesis are shown in Equation 3.

IF E THEN H (CF Rule)

$$CF(H,E) = CF(E) \times CF(Rule) \quad (3)$$

Where:

the CF score (Rule) is determined by the expert, while the CF (E) score is determined by the user when consulting an expert system.

- 2) Rule with double E evidence and a single H hypothesis shown by both Equation 4 and 5.

IF E<sub>1</sub> AND E<sub>2</sub> ..... AND E<sub>n</sub> THEN H (CF Rule)

$$CF(H,E) = \min[CF(E_1), CF(E_2), \dots, CF(E_n)] \times CF(Rule) \quad (4)$$

IF E<sub>1</sub> OR E<sub>2</sub> ..... OR E<sub>n</sub> THEN H (CF Rule)

$$CF(H,E) = \max[CF(E_1), CF(E_2), \dots, CF(E_n)] \times CF(Rule) \quad (5)$$

- 3) Combination of two rules with different evidence (E1 and E2), but the same hypothesis is shown by Equation 6.

IF E<sub>1</sub> THEN H Rule 1 CF (H,E<sub>1</sub>) = CF<sub>1</sub> = C(E<sub>1</sub>) x CF (Rule1)

IF E<sub>2</sub> THEN H Rule 2 CF(H,E<sub>2</sub>) = CF<sub>2</sub> = C(E<sub>2</sub>) x CF (Rule2)

$$CF(CF_1, CF_2) = \begin{cases} CF_1 + CF_2(1 - CF_1) & \text{jika } CF_1 > 0 \text{ dan } CF_2 > 0 \\ \frac{CF_1 + CF_2}{1 - \min[|CF_1|, |CF_2|]} & \text{jika } CF_1 < 0 \text{ atau } CF_2 < 0 \\ CF_1 + CF_2(1 + CF_1) & \text{jika } CF_1 < 0 \text{ dan } CF_2 < 0 \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

### 2.3. System Development

The development of this expert system uses a waterfall model. It is an approach with the assumption that a big decision must be made before the coding starts [13]. This kind of model is divided into 4 stages that are interrelated and influenced each other. Those four stages are needs analysis (analysis), design (design), coding (code) and testing (test) [14]. The stage of needs analysis (analysis) begins with defining the format of the entire software and identifying all the needs and outline of the system to be created [15]. The interface, DFD, and database are designed in the next stage [16]. The coding stage (code) is done by designing software which is then realized as a series of programs or unit programs [17]. The last is test stage

(test) which is done by testing the system that has been made in accordance with what is expected or not by using a black box test.

### 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### 3.1. Data Acquisition

The data used in this study were the medical-records results of patients suffering from dengue infection in the form of Dengue Fever (DF), Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF), and Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS), which were taken at Sekaran Health Center of Semarang as many as 80 data. Those data were both in the form of symptoms experienced by patients and the results of diagnosis from the doctor in charge.

#### 3.2. Interview

Interviews were conducted to find the relevant data from trusted sources. In this case is a specialist in disease in subspecialty tropical diseases and infections, as people who are experts / experts in the field of health, especially in the problem of dengue infection. From the results of interviews with experts resulted in the weights of each symptom, disease and users in dengue infection. Symptom weighting data is shown in Table 1 and disease weight data is shown in Table 2.

Table 1. Symptom weight

No	Symptoms	Symptom Code	K001	K002	K003
			DF	DHF	DSS
1	Fever	G001	0,4	0,4	0,4
2	Cough	G002	0,2	0,2	0,2
3	Cold	G003	0,2	0,2	0,2
4	Diarrhea	G004	0,2	0,5	0,1
5	Red spot	G005	0,2	0,6	0,1
6	Heartburn	G006	0,2	0,6	0,2
7	Gag	G007	0,2	0,4	0,2
8	Vomiting blood	G008			0,6
9	Nosebleed	G009		0,7	0,2
10	Blood (Black)	G010		0,6	
11	Limp	G011	0,2	0,2	0,2
12	Loss of consciousness	G012		0,7	0,8

Table 2. Disease weight

No	Disease	Disease Code	Probability
1	Dengue Fever (DF)	K001	0,5
2	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)	K002	0,5
3	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)	K003	0,5

The weight value of each symptom is used to perform calculations using the Bayes method and Certainty Factor. While the disease weight value is only used to perform calculations using the Bayes method. For calculations using the Certainty

Factor method, the weight data of user is the ones that aimed to score a CFuser. This determination of the CFuser value is based on the value of CF which is 0-1. User weight data is shown in Table 3.

Table 3. User weight

No	Explanation	Value
1	No	0
2	Do not know	0,25
3	Not sure	0,5
4	Sure	0,75
5	Very confident	1

From both the results of interviews and data retrieval, it can determine the knowledge base in the form of relationships or linkages that exist between symptoms and disease of dengue infection. The existing knowledge base is then arranged to form a rule base. The rule base is shown in Table 4.

Table 4. Rule base

Rule	Production rules (AND)
R1	IF
	G001
	G002
	G003
	G004
	G005
	G006
	G007
	G011
	THEN
K001	
R2	IF
	G001
	G002
	G003
	G004
	G005
	G006
	G007
	G009
	G010
	G011
	G012
THEN	
K002	
R3	IF
	G001
	G002
	G003
	G004
G005	

	G006
	G007
	G008
	G009
	G011
	G012
THEN	K003

Based on table above there are three disease diagnoses and twelve symptoms between symptoms and diagnosis. In R1 there are 8 symptoms as a symptom of K001, namely G001, G002, G003, G004, G005, G006, G007, G0011. In R2 there are 11 symptoms as symptoms of K002, namely G001, G002, G003, G004, G005, G006, G007, G009, G010, G011, G012. On R3 there are 11 symptoms as symptoms of K003, namely G001, G002, G003, G004, G005, G006, G007, G008, G009, G011, G012.

### 3.3. Implementation

The consultation page is a page that users can use to consult. It doesn't require to log in, the user can consult with the system. In conducting the consultation of the user should first fill in the biodata and input any symptoms experienced under the conditions.

On the consultation menu there are 12 symptoms which are symptoms of dengue infection. The diagnosis of the disease suffered by the user can simply be found by selecting the symptoms and conditions of each symptom contained in the consultation menu display then click diagnosis, the system diagnosis will appear based on the selected symptoms.

### 3.4. Testing

The testing stage of an expert system for diagnosing dengue infection is done by comparing the accuracy of the final results in the form of possible types of dengue infection produced by the system with those produced by doctors / experts. The comparison table of the diagnosis system results with the doctor is shown in Table 5.

Table 5. Comparison of system diagnosis results with doctors

No	Doctor Diagnosis	System Diagnosis	
		Bayes	Certainty Factor
1	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)	Corresponding	Corresponding
2	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)	Corresponding	Corresponding
3	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)	Corresponding	Corresponding

4	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
5	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
6	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Corresponding	Corresponding
7	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Corresponding	Corresponding
8	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
9	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
10	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
11	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
12	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
13	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
14	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
15	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
16	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
17	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
18	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
19	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
20	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
21	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
22	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Not Corresponding	Corresponding
23	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
24	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
25	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
26	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding
27	Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF)			Corresponding	Corresponding

28	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
29	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
30	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Not Corresponding	Not Corresponding
31	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
32	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
33	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
34	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
35	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Corresponding	Corresponding
36	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Corresponding	Not Corresponding
37	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Not Corresponding	Not Corresponding
38	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
39	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
40	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Corresponding	Corresponding
41	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Not Corresponding	Not Corresponding
42	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
43	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Not Corresponding	Corresponding
44	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
45	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
46	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
47	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
48	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
49	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Not Corresponding	Not Corresponding
50	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
51	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding



52	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
53	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Not Corresponding	Corresponding
54	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
55	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
56	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
57	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
58	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
59	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
60	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
61	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
62	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
63	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
64	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
65	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
66	Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)			Corresponding	Corresponding
67	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
68	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
69	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
70	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
71	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
72	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
73	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Not Corresponding	Corresponding
74	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding

75	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
76	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
77	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
78	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
79	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding
80	Dengue (DHF)	Hemorrhagic	Fever	Corresponding	Corresponding

In Table 5 it can be seen from a total of 80 cases, a total of 72 data for Bayes method are in accordance with the diagnosis from the doctor, while for the Certainty Factor there are 75 data are in accordance with the diagnosis from the doctor. So that it can be calculated the accuracy comparison of Bayes and Certainty Factor methods with the results of the doctor's diagnosis as follows.

a. Bayes Method

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Accurate accuracy value} &= \frac{\text{amount of data} - \text{amount of data is not appropriate}}{\text{amount of data}} \times 100\% \\ &= \frac{80-8}{80} \times 100\% = 90\% \end{aligned}$$

b. Certainty Factor Method

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Accurate accuracy value} &= \frac{\text{amount of data} - \text{amount of data is not appropriate}}{\text{amount of data}} \times 100\% \\ &= \frac{80-5}{80} \times 100\% = 93,75\% \end{aligned}$$

Based on the results of testing as many as 80 medical record data of patients with dengue infection at Sekaran Health Center using a system that has been made, result in 90% accuracy of the Bayes method and 93,75% Certainty Factor as shown in Table 6.

Table 6. Data Testing Results

Method	Amount of data	Diagnosis is appropriate	Diagnosis is not appropriate	Accuracy
Bayes	80	72	8	90%
Certainty Factor	80	75	5	93,75%

#### 4. CONCLUSION

The expert system for early diagnosis of dengue infection by using Bayes and Certainty Factor is created using the PHP programming language, Laravel framework, and MySQL database by with the development of the waterfall model system, which analyzes the needs of experts and users on the system, performs interface, DFD, and database design, performs coding and testing the system

whether it is in accordance with what is expected. Based on testing of 80 medical record data, it is known that the accuracy level of the Bayes method is 90% and the Certainty Factor method is 93,75%. The accuracy comparison of the two methods in the case of early diagnosis of dengue infection is influenced by fundamental differences in both calculation, where for the same symptom weight value, the calculation of the Bayes method is influenced by the probability value of the disease while the calculation of Certainty Factor method is influenced by the weight value of the user. That is what will then produce different in both confidence and probability values.

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