

IV. CONCLUSIONS

This research has successfully accomplished the objectives where five classification techniques (Naïve Bayes, Decision Tree, Support Vector Machine, Neural Network and Random Forest) were performed for Malaysian rainfall prediction. The main objective of this study is to identify the best technique for rainfall prediction. Hence, after applying the five techniques, a comparative analysis has been performed in order to determine the most appropriate technique. The experimental results showed that for Rainfall prediction, Decision Tree, and Random Forest perform well because of their abilities to train on little data and predict the higher portion of data with higher F-measure. Support Vector Machine and Naive Bayes also trained on a small portion of data to predict higher portion but with lower F-measure. Neural Network it is an efficient method but it needs a large portion of training data to predict the very small portion of testing data. In addition, we can conclude that with small training data (10%) from 1581 instances Random Forest correctly classified 1043 instances. This result put Random Forest in the forefront of the five techniques we have been used.

For future work, the following suggestions can be considered; Combining two or more prediction algorithms has the ability to enhance the process of predicting; Use more valuable features that can generalize or discriminate the classes has a significant impact on the effectiveness; Exploit the rainfall prediction has a significant impact on predicting flowed where there is a direct correlation between the rainfalls and flowed; Use more dataset and explore more areas and locations in the world would be a valuable idea.

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