

## Propose Hybrid KNN-ID3 for Diabetes Diagnosis System

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### Abstract

This work presents a proposed Medical Diagnosis System of Diabetes aiming to identify the correct diagnosis of Patient's diabetes as quickly as possible and at as lower cost as possible. The Proposal Diabetes Diagnosis System (DDS) has three subsequent stages; the first stage is the construction of medical dataset (MD) with eight features taken for 1000 patients and covering three classes (Diabetic, Non-Diabetic, and Predicted- Diabetic). The second stage is the preprocessing of MD by removing redundancy, generalize and normalize some of features' values, and suggest fillings for the missing values with K-Nearest Neighbor algorithm (KNN) instead of the traditional filling method in which values are estimated based on experiences.

The third stage is the data mining- based machine learning, which introduces Interactive Dichotomizer 3 (ID3) classifier; is employed to diagnose the condition of a patient from his/her medical history. The outcome of implementing the proposal system showed that the accuracy of the ID3 model has been found approximately (98.25%) in case of filling missing values by KNN algorithm, where was less in case of filling missing values by experience.

### 1. Introduction

In present era, Data Mining is becoming popular in healthcare field because there is a need for efficient analytical methodology for detecting unknown and valuable information in health data. In health industry, Data Mining provides several benefits such as detection of the fraud in health insurance, availability of medical solution to the patients at lower cost, detection of causes of diseases and identification of medical

treatment methods. It also helps the healthcare researchers make efficient healthcare policies, constructing drug recommendation systems, developing health profiles of individuals *etc.* [1]. Diabetes is an opportune disease which has large wealth of data available and has with it huge complications. There is a need for a better and a more accurate approach in the diagnosis of the disease. Data mining is the better approach, since it is a process of extracting useful, hidden information from larger databases. There are many data mining techniques available to do this process like association mining, clustering, classification, predictive analysis... *etc.* [2].

Shaheen and Khan (2009) [3], the study was designed an intelligent decision support system IDSS to help the patients and health-care providers. The purpose is to provide 24-hour adequate health-care services to the diabetes type2 patients remotely and provide decision support service to the health-care providers. Periodically, updating the patient's record is also an important feature of the system. Slocum M. (2012) [4], they look at one particular decision tree, ID3 algorithm and how it can be used with data mining for medical research. The evaluation of the different types of decision trees along with clustering algorithms to determine if there is a better approach for the medical industry specifically for determination of the risk of heart disease. It using these algorithms is an iterative process where processes are always being improved. Shukr (2013)[5], the Iterative Dichotomiser3(ID3) algorithm was detect the classification of the cardiac arrhythmia from a normal ECG signal based on wavelet decomposition, then this data using as training input dataset for ID3 algorithm to learn and produce a decision tree (classifier). Then this classifier is converted to a set of rules which were used to classify five types of ECG arrhythmias including the normal case. Angeline and Sivaprakasam(2013) [6], The negative impact of missing value imputation was addressed and solution for improvement while evaluating the performance of KNN algorithm for classification of Diabetes data.

A new Class-wise K Nearest Neighbor (CKNN), method for the Classification of Diabetes Dataset. The Performance of classification measured with respect to sensitivity, specificity and accuracy has been increased significantly in the case of proposed CKNN algorithm.

## 2. General Description of the Proposal

To explain the proposed DM-DDS, the flowchart of overall diagnosis policy will be presented, see figure (1), then each part in this flowchart will be explained in details in the following subsections

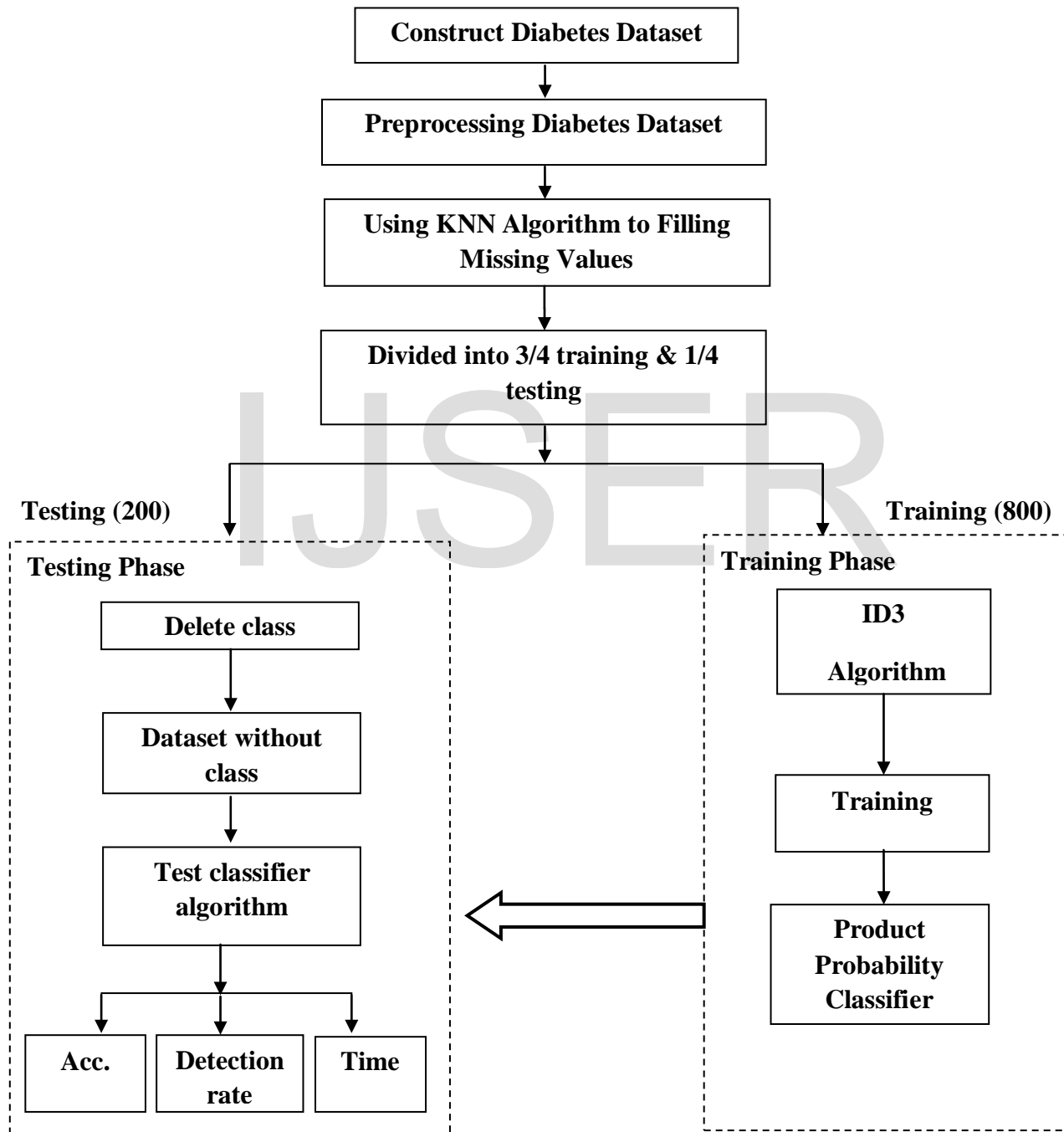


Figure (1): Flowchart of the General Structure of the proposal DDS

### **3. Design and Implement the proposal**

In implementing the algorithms of data mining, the K-Nearest Neighbor, and the ID3, several stages have been conducted to see the end result of the process of implementation of the algorithms.

#### **3. 1. Construct Diabetes Dataset**

The proposed DM-Based Diabetes Diagnosis System (DM-DDS) will be explained in details. The proposed system is a supervised learning system. This system aims to advance the prediction of patient's diabetes class (Diabetic, Non-Diabetic, and Predicted- Diabetic) using data mining techniques. The advantages of prediction arise from reducing cost and time of diagnosis, and increasing the accuracy of prediction. The proposal was applied on a constructed dataset of 1000 individuals', from Baghdad society, covering the three classes, before applying mining techniques there are some preprocessing steps which were taken in account to prepare data for training and testing, KNN is the critical preprocessing step which aim to fill the missing values instead of guessing them by experience. The algorithm of data mining was applied in this proposal ID3 classifier. The data are collected from Iraqi society. The data were acquired from the laboratory of Medical City Hospital and (the Specializes Center for Endocrinology and Diabetes-Al-Kindy Teaching Hospital). Patients' files are taken and data extracted from them and entered in to the database to construct the diabetes dataset see figure (2). The data consist of medical information, laboratory analysis... etc. The data that have been entered initially into the system are: No. of Patient, Sugar Level Blood, Age, Gender, Creatinine ratio(Cr), Body Mass Index (BMI), Urea, Cholesterol (Chol), Fasting lipid profile, including total, LDL, VLDL, Triglycerides(TG) and HDL Cholesterol , HBA1C, Class (the patient's diabetes disease class may be Diabetic, Non-Diabetic, or Predict-Diabetic).

ID	No	Patio	Gender	Name	AGE	Sugar	Urea	Cr	HbA1c	Chol	TG	HDL	LDL	VLDL	BMI	CLASS
1	34325		M	#####	58	6.7	20.8	800	9.1	6.6	2.9	1.1	4.3	1.3	33	Y
2	44835		M	#####	60	10.8	2.1	56	7.6	3.3	1.7	0.9	1.7	0.8	36.6	Y
3	23972		F	#####	56	7	4	45	9.2	4.1	0.6	1.3	1.4	0.9	30	Y
4	34301		F	#####	43	5	2.1	55	5.7	4.7	5.3	0.9	1.7	2.4	25	P
5	35150		M	#####	63	9.7	7	84	8.1	6	2.2	1.1	4	1	28	Y
6	23973		F	#####	61	7.2	5.1	72	11.5	4.4	2.1	1.1	2.5	0.9	26	Y
7	34278		F	#####	46	5.6	3	59	5.1	5.7	3.8	1.3	2.8	1.7	24	Y
8	45703		M	#####	51	12.9	3.9	53	10.9	3.6	1.1	0.8	2.3	1	29	Y
9	23974		F	#####	60	6.7	6	72	10.7	4.4	2.1	1.1	2.5	0.9	26	Y
10	34286		F	#####	45	5.7	3.1	54	4	5.9	1.8	1.6	3.5	0.8	24	Y
11	45702		F	#####	54	13	7	72	7.6	4.9	2.8	0.8	3	1.2	31	Y
12	23975		M	#####	31	4.3	3	60	12.3	4.1	2.2	0.7	2.4	15.4	37.2	Y
13	34395		F	#####	60	9.3	5.4	47	6.8	5.1	2.1	1.1	3	1	28	Y
14	43261		F	#####	64	10.2	2	35	7.9	5.3	3.1	0.9	3.1	1.4	33	Y
15	23976		F	#####	61	6.9	4.3	56	12.1	4.4	2	1	2.5	0.9	29	Y
16	20321		M	#####	50	5.3	4.8	62	5.9	5.3	1.3	1	3.7	0.6	19	P
17	34396		M	#####	61	9.3	3.8	62	8.9	6.8	4.3	1.2	3.9	1.9	29	Y
18	23977		M	#####	30	4.7	7.1	81	6.7	4.1	1.1	1.2	2.4	8.1	27.4	Y
19	26925		F	#####	50	5.4	5.7	53	6	5.4	1.7	1.4	3.3	0.7	25	P
20	34470		F	#####	58	10.5	5.8	41	9.7	5	4.5	1.1	2.2	2	37	Y

Figure (2): the dataset of the DDS

The main data preprocessing tasks done in the proposal are: Remove Redundancy, Noisy Data, and Feature Selection. By feature selection process only eight out of the total sixteen features were taken into account (Age, Gender, HBA1C, TG, Urea, Chol, HDL and BMI), the less important features were ignored as their information gain is of no crucial significance except for the Sugar Level Blood which was ruled out because it is the decisive factor in diabetes diagnose. Missing Values, Also it's noteworthy to mention that the Hba1c values were found missing in some of the patients physical examinations. Accordingly figures for the missing values were taken as estimated by the laboratory experts. *As the data was applied using algorithm. The accuracy was found very small. So in the following section an explanation will be provided as to how to deal with missing values using a proposed KNN to increase accuracy of diagnosis.* The proposal will use k-nearest neighbor algorithms to estimate and replace missing data. The main advantages of this method are: a) it can estimate both qualitative attributes (the most frequent value among the k nearest neighbors) and quantitative attributes (the mean of the k nearest neighbors); b) It is not necessary to build a predictive model for each attribute with missing data, although it does not build visible models. Efficiency is the biggest trouble for this method. While the k-nearest neighbor algorithms look suitable for the most similar instances, the whole dataset should be searched.

### 3.2 K-Nearest Neighbor Method

A technique that classifies each record in a dataset based on a combination of the classes of the k record(s) most similar to it in a historical dataset (where k=31) sometimes called the k-nearest neighbor technique. It is a simple algorithm that stores all available

cases and classifies new cases based on a similarity measure (e.g., distance functions). The KNN was used to determine the missing values and to avoid the bad impact of the arbitrary speculations of the values. The imputations in the proposal begin with the distance similarity measure as in Eq. (1).

$$D = \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2} \quad \text{Eq.(1)}$$

The proposal will use Euclidean distance as in Eq. (1).

1	Gender	AGE	Urea	HbA1c	Chol	TG	HDL	BMI	CLASS
2	M	58	20.8	9.1	6.6	2.9	1.1	33	Y
3	M	60	2.1	7.6	3.3	1.7	0.9	36.6	Y
4	F	56	4	9.2	4.1	0.6	1.3	30	Y
5	F	43	2.1	7	4.7	5.3	0.9	25	P
6	M	63	7	8.1	6	2.2	1.1	28	Y
7	F	61	5.1	11.5	4.4	2.1	1.1	26	Y
8	F	46	3	5.1	5.7	3.8	1.3	24	Y
9	M	51	3.9	10.9	3.6	1.1	0.8	29	Y
10	F	60	6	10.7	4.4	2.1	1.1	26	Y
11	F	45	3.1	4	5.9	1.8	1.6	24	Y
12	F	54	7	7.6	4.9	2.8	0.8	31	Y
13	M	31	3	12.3	4.1	2.2	0.7	37.2	Y
14	F	60	5.4	6.8	5.1	2.1	1.1	28	Y
15	F	64	2	7.9	5.3	3.1	0.9	33	Y
16	F	61	4.3	12.1	4.4	2	1	29	Y
17	M	50	4.8	5.9	5.3	1.3	1	19	P
18	M	61	3.8	8.9	6.8	4.3	1.2	29	Y
19	M	30	7.1	6.7	4.1	1.1	1.2	27.4	Y
20	F	50	5.7	6	5.4	1.7	1.4	25	P
21	F	58	5.8	9.7	5	4.5	1.1	37	Y
22	M	59	4.2	10.5	4.9	2.1	1.1	28	Y
23	F	54	8.5	7.9	4.8	2.4	1.8	38	Y

Figure (3): the database filling of the missing value

The simple split partitions the data into two mutually exclusive subsets called a training set and a testing set. It is common to designate 3/4 of the data as the training set (800) patients and the remaining 1/4 as the test set (200) patients. The training set is used by the inducer (model builder) and the built classifier is then tested on the testing set. After preprocessing the dataset and critical features have been selected, the popular and efficient DM classification algorithms, (*ID3*) classifier, will be used in the design of the proposed model.

### 3.3 Decision Tree Classifier

A decision tree is a tree in which each branch node represents a choice between a number of alternatives, and each leaf node represents a decision. Decision trees are commonly used for gaining information for the purpose of decision-making.

A decision tree starts with a root node on which it is for users to take actions. From this node, users split each node recursively according to decision tree learning algorithm [7]. The final result is a tree with **decision** and **leaf nodes**. It can handle both categorical and numerical data [7]. In short, the **decision tree** can be described as:

- Rules for classifying data using attributes.
- It consists of decision nodes and leaf nodes.
- A decision node has two or more branches, each representing values for the attribute tested.
- A leaf node attribute produces a homogeneous result (all in one class), which does not require additional classification testing [8].

#### 4.3.1 ID3 algorithm

The ID3 algorithm works by recursively applying the procedure below to each of the subsets produced until “pure” or homogenous nodes are found, a pure node contains elements of only one class. The algorithm starts with complete dataset of training examples, these examples are given in attribute-value representation with eight categorical attributes (Age, Gender, HBA1C, TG, Urea, Chol, HDL, BMI and class attribute) see figure (3), these attributes are the input of the ID3 algorithm to learn and produce the decision tree which will help determine the class of the new samples, the diabetes class attribute can be one of three classes of diabetes. Those three samples can be (diabetic(Y), non-diabetic (N) and predicted- diabetic (P) attributes). To show how the ID3 algorithm works, following steps are listed, see algorithm (1):

<b>Algorithm (1): ID3(Examples, Target_attribute, Attributes)</b>	
<b>Input: Examples</b>	<i>// are the training examples//</i>
<b>, Target_attribute</b>	<i>// is the attribute whose value is to be predicted by the tree //</i>
<b>, Attributes</b>	<i>// is a list of other attributes that may be tested by the learned decision tree//</i>
<b>Output:</b> <i>decision tree that correctly classifies the given Examples</i>	
<b>Begin</b>	
Create a <b>Root</b> node for the tree	

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If all Examples are positive, Return the single node tree Root, with label = Pos  
If all Examples are negative, Return the single node tree Root, with label = Neg.  
If all Examples are predictive, Return the single node tree Root, with label = pre.  
If Attributes is empty, then Return the single node tree Root, with label = most common  
value of the Target_attribute in the Examples.  
Else Begin  
    A = the attribute from Attributes that best classifies Examples  
    The decision attribute for Root = A  
    For each possible value, vi, of A do  
        Add a new tree branch below Root, corresponding to the test A = vi  
        Let Examplesvi be the subset of Examples that have value vi for A  
        Add a sub tree ID3(Examplesvi, Target_attribute, Attributes - {A})  
        below this new branch  
    EndFor  
End  
    Return Root  
End
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#### A. Create a Root node for the tree with label equal to null

A tree node is represented by a user defined class object which contains three members; Label, Attribute ( Label of an attribute and a list of possible values related with an attribute) and Children. A Root node can be created by making a new instance of class object as follows:  $Root = new\ TreeNodeDDS()$ .

#### B. Get most common values of the class attribute if the attribute list is empty.

#### C. Select the best attribute to start as the root node

A decision tree was created depending on the best attribute that can divide the training data so the depth of tree is decreased at the same time the data will be classified correctly. To select the best attribute to branch, three factors will be calculated:

##### C. 1. Entropy:

The amount of impurity of training dataset and it is calculated by using Eq.(2). The entropy of *Samples* dataset is:

$$\text{Entropy}(S) = -P_{\text{pos}} \log_2 P_{\text{pos}} - P_{\text{neg}} \log_2 P_{\text{neg}} \quad \text{Eq.( 2)}$$



### C.2. Information gain:

Compute the information gain of each attribute in the *Samples* data table, and this will be done through the steps below:

- It begins by dividing the *Samples* table according to each attribute as show in Figure (3), so the best attribute can be calculated to start as the Root node, the start will be with the first attribute Age and takes it separately with the class attribute then divides it by each value into mini-tables. In a simplified form the Age attributes.
- For each mini-table, compute the entropy by using Eq. (3).

$$Entropy(S) = \sum_{i=1}^c -p_i \cdot \log_2 p_i \quad \text{Eq. (3)}$$

- Calculate the information gain by using Eq. (4), the information gain will be obtained for the remaining attributes, and the results were as follows:

$$Gain(S,A) = Entropy(s) - \sum_{v \in Values(A)} \frac{|S_v|}{|S|} Entropy(S_v) \quad \text{Eq.(4)}$$

Where,

$||$  : is the Cardinality symbol.

$Values(A)$  : is the set of all possible values for attribute A.

$S_v$  : is the subset of  $S$  for which attribute A has value  $v$ .

$Entropy(S)$  : is the entropy of the original collection  $S$ .

$\sum_{v \in Values(A)} \frac{|S_v|}{|S|} Entropy(S_v)$  : is the expected value of the entropy after

$S$  is partitioned using attribute A.

The expected entropy described by this second term is simply the sum of the entropies of each subset  $S_v$  weighted by the fraction of examples  $\frac{|S_v|}{|S|}$  that belong to  $S_v$ .  $Gain(S, A)$  is therefore the expected reduction in entropy caused by knowing the value of attribute A [9].

**C.3. Best attribute:** The attribute which has the higher gain will be the best one, that will best classify the training data, hence HBA1C is the best attribute because it has the maximum information gain, and as a result it will be the root node of a decision tree, it receives a set of attributes as input parameter and returns the best attribute which had the maximum gain value.

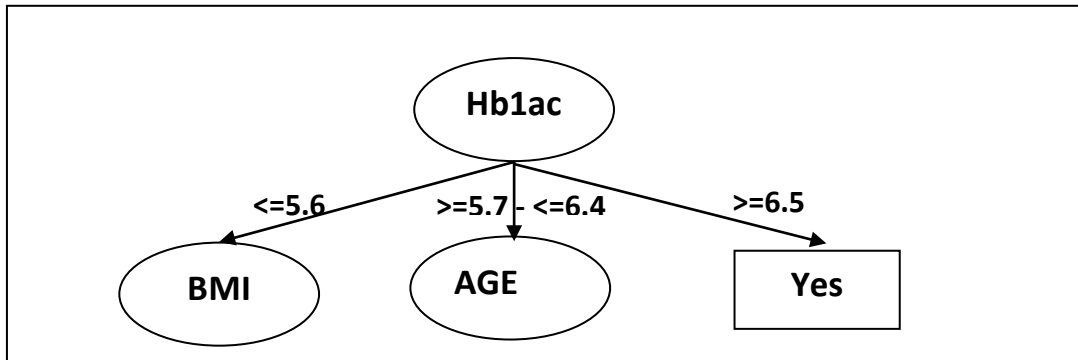


**Figure (4):** the Dataset Partitions according to all Values within HBA1C

**D. Iterate for each possible value (possible Value i )**

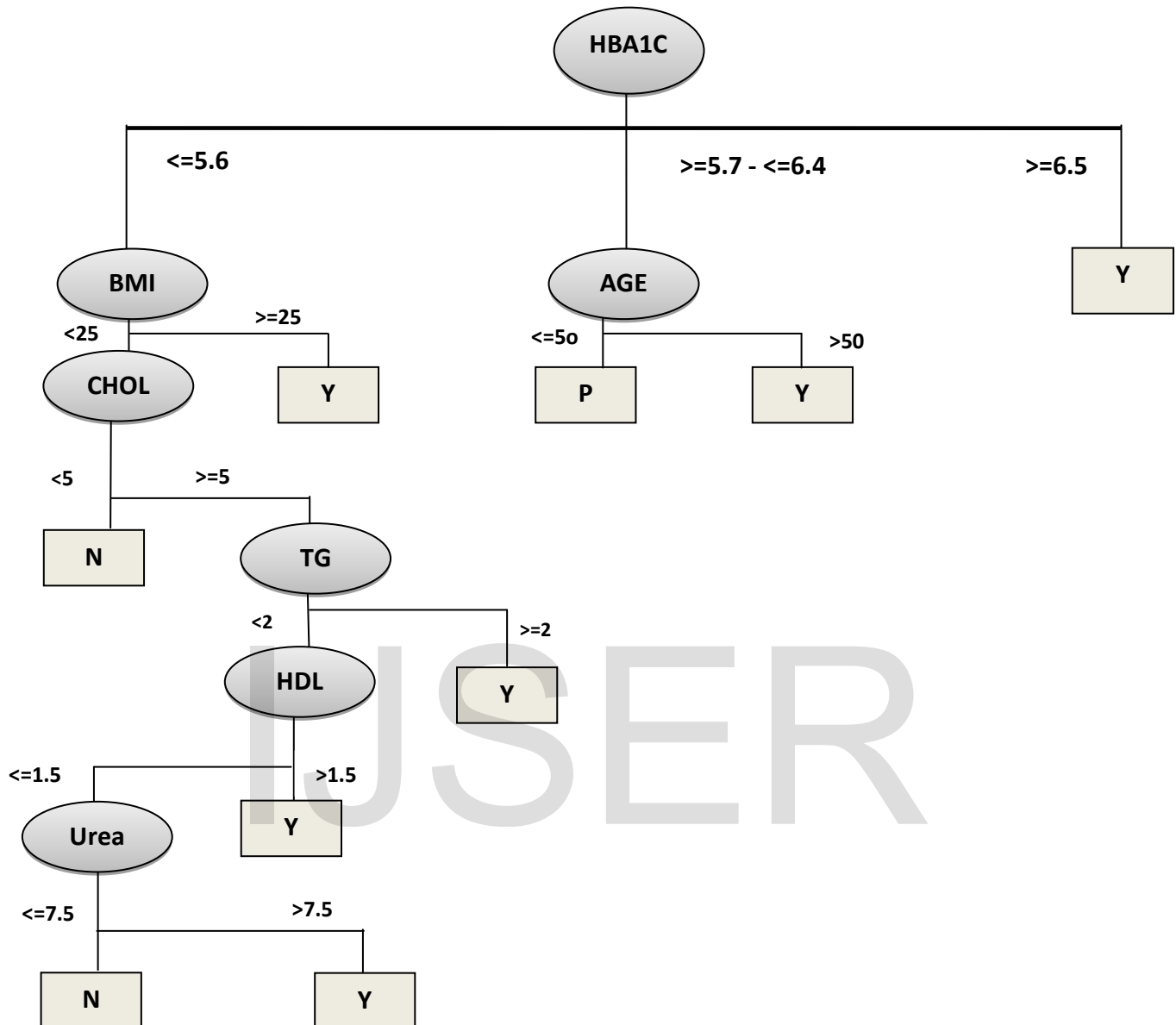
In this example, for the case of  $(HBA1C \geq 6.5)$ , there is only one class available in the training dataset which is Yes, therefore a leaf node will be added with label= Yes, Figure (4), if it has more than one class as in the case of  $(HBA1C \geq 5.7 - \leq 6.4)$  and the case  $(HBA1C \leq 5.6)$  the attribute collection needs to be updated and add a subtree below the new branch by calling recursively the main steps of ID3 algorithm but with new dataset and new attribute collection. So, one attribute is removed from a collection of attributes, for example when an attribute has been selected, it should be removed from the collection of unselected attributes. This algorithm receives two

inputs, a single attribute and the collection of attributes required to be removed from, while its output is the input attributes collection after removing the single attribute.



**Figure (5):** Tree Branches according to Values of the Root Node

Upon completion of the implementation of these iterations, the following classifier is obtained as in Figure (5) which is a decision tree that will be used to classify three types of diabetes disease (Y,N and P). At this time, this classifier is converted into a set of rules using If- Else statements to use them to classify three types of diabetes, Figure (6) can be written as follows:



**Figure (6):** Final Decision Tree (classifier) to classify three types of Diabetes

### 5. Implementation and experimental results

The proposed system deals with diabetes disease system for experiment on the model, It used training of the classifier (ID3) on TrainingDDS has been done with the sets of features, and then the obtained classifiers are tested on TestingDDS. The proposed model has been experimented (i.e., trained and tested) for many times to assess the accuracy of the classifiers, then light which of them rate higher accurate

results. This section will explain results according the standards evaluation measures of classifications. The classification model has been constructed in each of these experiments. Next, this model has been applied to the same TestingDDS, which has been constructed, to assess the validation and accuracy of these constructed models on the same testing dataset. The classification results are either;

1. TP -true positive answers denoting correct classifications of positive cases (one of DDS).
2. TN -true negative answers denoting correct classifications of negative cases (normal).
3. FP -false positive answers denoting incorrect classifications of negative cases into class positive (misclassified records as one of DDS).
4. FN - false negative answers denoting incorrect classifications of positive cases into class negative (misclassified records as normal).
5. Unknown1 (Predicted- Diabetic true positives Pr-p).
6. Unknown2 (Predicted- Diabetic true negatives Pr-n).
7. The DR is the ratio between the number of correctly classified records as TP and the total number of intrusion records presented in TestingDDS dataset. It has been computed using;

$$DR = \frac{TP}{TP+FN+Unknown2} \quad \text{Eq. (5)}$$

8. False Alarm Rate (FAR) is the ratio between number of "normal" records classified as intrusion (FP) and the total number of "normal" records presented in TestingDDS dataset. It has been computed using;

$$FAR = \frac{FP}{TN+FP+Unknown1} \quad \text{Eq. (6)}$$

9. The classification accuracy measures the proportion of correctly classified cases;

$$Acc. = \frac{Tp+TN+TPredict}{Tp+Fp+Tn+Fn+unknown} \quad \text{Eq. (7)}$$

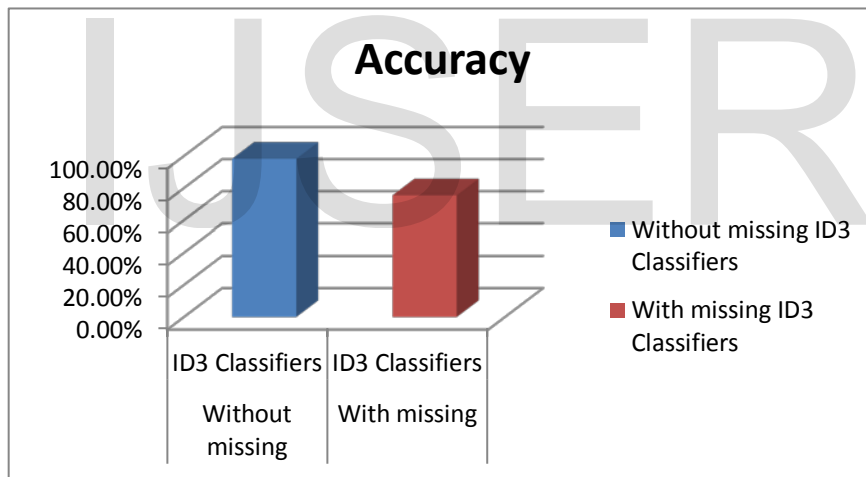
Where, Tpredict is (pr-p) and unknown is (Pr-p+Pr-n)

Table (1) which presents the performance of the classifier ID3 with the set of eight features along 200 patients (testing dataset), see figure (8):

**Table (1): Classification Results of ID3**

Classifier (testing of 200 patients)

Value	Classifier	TP	TN	FP	FN	Unknown1 (Pr-p)	Unknown2 (Pr-n)	Accuracy
Without Missing	ID3	150	38	0	1	9	2	98.25%
With Missing	ID3	114	36	27	12	1	10	75.5%



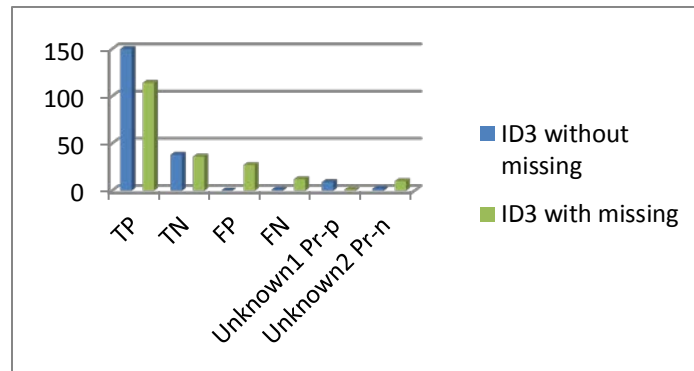
**Figure (7): Accuracy of System with missing and without missing**

Without missing

1. ID3 classifier has got high TP and TN, low FP and FN, high unknown1, low unknown2, and high accuracy.
2. The accuracy has been found approximately (98.25%), see figure (7). It can be deduced that the rate of accuracy of the system DDS for the model ID3 is the best average possible.

With missing

1. ID3 classifier has got low TP, high TN, low FP, FN and unknow1, high unknown2 and low accuracy.
2. The accuracy has been found approximately (75.5%), see figure (7).



**Figure (8):** the training dataset results

Table (2), present the results of testing the two classifiers with and without missing values, the results are listed below, see figure (8):

Without missing values

- ID3 has DR= 0.980, FAR =0 and accuracy 98.25%.

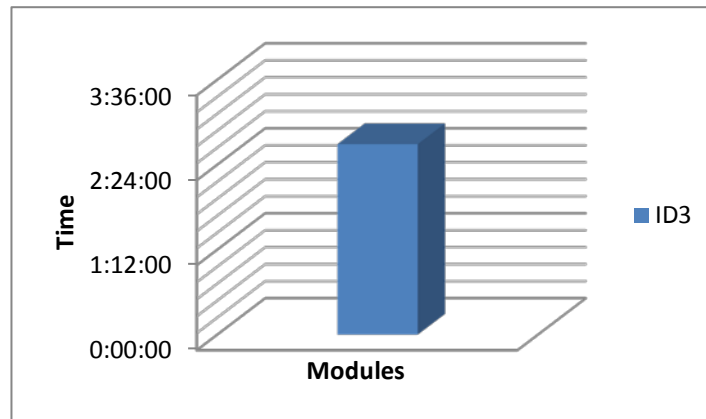
With missing values

- ID3 has DR= 0.838, FAR =0.421 and accuracy 75.50%.

**Table (2):** DR and FAR of the ID3 algorithm Classifier testing

Value	Feature Selection Measure	ID3 Classifiers	
		DR	FAR
Without Missing	Eight	0.980	0
With Missing	Eight	0.838	0.421

The performance of the classifiers is estimated statistically using time of training. The training time is the time required to build the classifier. The DDS will present ID3 2:41:27 (two minutes and 41:27 seconds).



**Figure (9):** time of modules

## 6. Conclusions

1. Constructing diabetes dataset manually; is by selecting random samples of patients from Iraq Health Ministry. This system of proposal work can be used as a reliable indicator for diabetes diseases diagnosis and (ID3) classifier is presented as the diagnostic tool to aid the physician in the analysis of diabetic.
2. Preprocessing dataset such as noise and redundancy removal, normalization, and optimization of the patient's attributes to eight only depending on physician experience in the analysis of diabetic. All this was used successfully to solve the problems of diabetes disease diagnosis such as reduction the time of classification process.
3. Using KNN algorithm, as missing values imputation instead of filling the missing values depending on physician experience, gives a good result with an increased accuracy of diagnosis prediction.



4. The proposed system uses ID3 algorithms as a classification tool for diabetes disease. It has been proved efficient, since ID3 gives optimized rules to classify and diagnose the individual state as diabetic, non-diabetic or predicted with high accuracy, see figure (7) and table (1).
5. Accurate prediction with the ID3 algorithm comes when all the independent variables are statistically independent of each other. Accuracy with respect to the rule based classification can be increased by using more rules for the classification of the test data.
6. Diabetes is complicated to diagnose as many and diverse symptoms can be important. The rule base for the prototype system was organized in frames and templates (forms) with basic attributes. It provides a guideline which combined with some additional rules would be very useful to predicate the diabetic.
7. The time needed for building the decision tree (training time) is estimated to be 2:41:27 (two minutes and 41:27 sec) in the case of ID3.
8. When the system was tested in Al- Kindy and Medical City Hospital, it was found that the percentage of error is (<5%), and confirmed that the system was working correctly. When a large number of patients were taken as an input to the system, excellent results were provided.
9. Reduction of cost of patient management: These systems may definitely be helpful in reduction of cost of patient management by avoiding unnecessary investigations and patients follow up.

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