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# The comparison of the model performances of Naive Bayes, C4.5 and C5.0 algorithms: Implementation on fish consumption habits

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## ABSTRACT

This study was conducted to implement some data mining methods to examine the fish consumption habits of individuals. A total of 466 individuals were implemented the scale in this study. In addition to demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of individuals such as gender, marital status, monthly income and monthly food spend, fish consumption frequency, consumption amount, the reason for preference, and fish species preference were also examined. Fish species and consumption frequency classification was made according to the socioeconomic and demographic characteristics and the reason for fish consumption. Naive Bayes and Decision Tree (C4.5 and C5.0) algorithms of data mining were used for classification processes. It was considered that the classification error rate was low and the classification accuracy rate was high in the comparison of the classification model formed.

Considering the comparison of fish species and fish consumption frequency classification, it was found that the classification model formed with the C5.0 algorithm (error rates as 43.8% and 35.6% and accuracy rates as 56.2% and 64.4%, respectively) was a better classifier than the other model.

**KEYWORDS:** Data mining, decision tree, naive bayes, confusion matrix.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Naive Bayes, C4.5 and C5.0 algorithms are among very important classification techniques in data mining.

Data mining constitutes useful and valuable information in the big databases by combining techniques in the machine learning, statistics and database fields (Ching and Michael, 2002). Data mining is the process of elimination of big amount of packed data in the storage mediums using statistical and mathematical techniques and pattern recognition technologies and the discovery of new significant correlations, patterns and trends (Larose, 2005). Data mining is the process of discovering significant patterns and rules in big amount of data (Linoff and Berry, 2011). Data mining is the entirety of all activities used to find new, hidden or unexpected patterns within data (Marakas, 2003).

Data mining process includes various steps. These are as follows: problem statement, data collection, tailoring the data for analysis, the implementation step of data mining methods, performance evaluation of the results obtained, and the evaluation of the results of the method with the best performance (Kantardzic, 2011).

C4.5 focuses on classification problem in decision trees. Two procedure steps are generally followed to form the most suitable tree structure. The first one is to for the tree structure with the training data set and the second is to carry put the pruning procedure in the tree structure formed. As the number of qualifications increases in the data sets, tree to be structured forms unnecessary nodes. This situation called overlearning negatively affects the success rate. The pruning procedure is usually implemented to eliminate the negative effects due to overlearning (Quinlan, 1986: Quinlan, 1993).

C5.0 algorithm is a classification algorithm based on binary or more splits. The information gain is addresses here as a splint standard. A decision tree that splits to two or more following each decision node is formed with this algorithm. Entropy is calculated in the determination step of the decision nodes in the decision tree, and the information gains of the qualifications identified as input in the training data set are determined accordingly. After this procedure, the decision node is formed with the qualification with the highest gain (Pandya and Pandya, 2015).

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This study was conducted to compare the results by implementing the Naive Bayes, C4.5 and C5.0 algorithms in the evaluation results of a survey.

#### Material

# II. MATERIAL AND METHOD

The population of the study included people who lived in Bingöl, Turkey and neighboring provinces. However, sampling was made as it was almost impossible to reach the entire population and obtain information about them in terms of time and cost. A survey study was carried out in February 2020 mostly in Bingöl, Turkey (Van, Elazığ, Diyarbakır and Muş), and neighboring provinces and the survey was implemented to 506 people. However, 40 individuals who were determined to have not consumed fish through the survey were excluded and the remaining 466 surveys were analyzed.

#### Method

The Naive Bayes classification is based on the Bayes theorem. In this classification  $y_j$  is  $j \in \{1, 2, ..., J\}$ and is a discrete variable that represents one of the J number of classes. X feature is expressed with the  $X=(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$  feature vector with n number of features. According to the Bayes theorem, the posterior probability  $p(y_j | X)$  for the yj value is expressed as follows (Deng et al., 2015).

$$P(y_j|X) = \frac{P(X|y_j)P(y_j)}{P(X)}$$

When the multiplication of the conditional probabilities of all features is calculated to predict the Y' target class, an equation is obtained for the Naive Bayes classifier.

$$Y' = \operatorname{argmax} y_j \frac{P(y_j) \prod_{i=1}^n (P(X = x_i | j_j))}{\sum_{j=1}^j P(y_j) \prod_{i=1}^n (P(X = x_i | j_j))}$$

The probabilities are calculated by implementing this equation for each class, and then, the one with the biggest probability among the resulting values is selected as the target class (Deng et al., 2015).

$$P(y_j) = \frac{|N_j|}{|N|}$$

In the last equation, the total number of the training qualifications in the class label is |N|, and the number of training qualifications in the  $y_i$  class is  $|N_i|$  (Bai and Nie, 2004).

C4.5 algorithm is one of the classifier of data mining where it is easy to understand and interpret the decision tree, and to process data rapidly. The class structures in this algorithm are the prediction of the classes of the data without classes within the previously determined categorical data structures, the presentation of the information visually in the form of a tree, and the easy modeling of the correlations between the variables (Biggs et al., 1991).

Decision trees look like a tree from top to bottom in the root, node and branch structure, and in this structure, the root and each node report a question while the branches separated from the nodes report the answers to that question (Loh and Shih, 1997).

Information gain rate is used as the feature selection standard in the C4.5 algorithm. Thus, the feature with the highest information gain rate is selected (Duru, 2016; Şatır et al., 2016). The C4.5 algorithm has important advantages. These are that it is used both in categorical and numerical data sets, it is used when there are lacking attribute values in the training data, and the unwanted values in the training data set are eliminated (Ture et al., 2009).

The C4.5 algorithm operates based on the concept of entropy which is defined as the uncertainty of a system and the measure of randomness. In the entropy given in the following equation, the aim is to calculate the amount of information needed to classify the data set (Kavzoğlu and Çölkesen, 2010).

$$Entropy(S) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i \log_2(p_i)$$

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In this equation,  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ ,..., $p_n$  are the probabilities of the target variable's classes in the data. S is the data set while n is the number of different values that qualification can have. The probability values of a class is calculated as  $p_i = C_i/|S|$ . C<sub>i</sub> are the classes of the data set (Kavzoğlu and Çölkesen, 2010).

The information gain of each qualification is calculated to determine the distinctive qualification in the decision tree methods. The information gain of an A feature for a S sample is calculated according to the following equation (Bahety, 2014; Larose and Larose, 2014).

$$Gain(A,S) = Entropy(S) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{S_i}{S} Entropy(S_i)$$

The information gain is calculated for each feature determined according to this equation. The feature with the highest information gain is defined as the root. These processes require the following for each node; samples should belong to the same class and samples should not separate into features that can be split. It continues until one of the conditions that all features are represented by the suitable class is met (Adhatrao, 2013; Bahety, 2014).

The split information of the S attribute is calculated as follows (Quinlan, 1993).

$$Split(A,S) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{|S_i|}{|S|} \log_2\left(\frac{|S_i|}{|S|}\right)$$

The ratio of information gain to split information expresses how much information the splinting of the relevant qualification will provide. Thus, the information gain is calculated for each qualification and the tree structure is split based on the highest information gain.

The pruning procedure is extremely important for the formation of the decision tree structure. Pruning is the procedure performed to stop splitting so that the tree does not grow anymore after reaching a certain size during the formation of the tree structure (Quinlan, 1987).

The C5.0 algorithm is ideal for big databases and is the higher level of the C4.5 algorithm. C5.0 algorithm is also known as the boosting trees. While the information gain is used for the process of splitting into branches, the tree pruning is based on the error rate for each leaf. The C5.0 algorithm is much faster than C4.5 and uses the memory more efficiently. Although the results of the C5.0 are the same as those of the C4.0 algorithm, C5.0 obtains more proper decision trees in form (Çalış et al., 2014). Additionally, it produces better results in terms of minimizing the decision trees and producing decision rules (Shahnaz, 2006).

The decision tree is formed by maximizing the information gain and entropy values of the qualifications to split the decision nodes in the classification made with the C5.0 algorithm (Alpaydın, 2013; Silahtaroğlu, 2013). The steps used to form the decision tree are as in the C4.5 algorithm.

R program was used for the data analysis, and in the evaluation of the models formed with the algorithms, the comparisons were made according to the root mean square error (RMSE), mean absolute error (MAE), root relative squared error (RRSE) and relative absolute error (RAE) criteria. These equations and the terms included in these equations are given below.

$$MAE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |O_i - E_i|$$
$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |O_i - E_i|^2}$$

$$RAE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |O_i - E_i|}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |E_i - \overline{E}_i|}$$

$$RRSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |O_i - E_i|^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |E_i - \overline{E}_i|^2}}$$

O<sub>i</sub> is the observed value and E<sub>i</sub> expected value.

Accuracy measures determined based on the confusion matrix such as the accuracy and error rates are used to evaluate the success of the models (Coşkun and Baykal, 2011).

Correctly Classified = 
$$\frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

$$Error \ rate = \frac{TP + FN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

Here, TP: True positive, TN: True negative, FP: False positive, FN: False negative.

## **III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Socioeconomic and demographic characteristics related to the household fish consumption are presented in Table 1.

Sex Frequency Percent (%) 301 59.5 Man Woman 205 40.5 506 100 Total Martial Married 185 36.6 Single 321 63.4 100 Total 506 Income 1500-3000 TL 228 45.1 3000-4000 TL 148 29.2 4000-5000 TL 90 17.8 5000 TL+ 40 7.9 Total 506 100 Food cost 500-1000 TL 305 60.3 1000-1500 TL 22.7 115 1500-2000 TL 65 12.8 2000 TL+ 21 4.2 100 Total 506 **Consumption frequent** Several times a month 18.6 94 1 per month 261 51.6 87 17.2 Several times a year Does not consume 64 12.6 Total 506 100 **Consumption amount** 0-1 kg 340 67.2

Table 1. Socioeconomic and demographic characteristics of fish consumers

1.2.1		
1-2 kg	108	21.3
2 kg+	58	11.5
Total	506	100
Consumption form		
Choking	30	5.9
In the oven	128	25.3
Grid	108	21.3
No consume	62	12.3
Frying in Oil	178	35.2
Total	506	100
Reason for preference		
Nutritious	94	18.6
Delicious	136	26.9
Healthy	182	36.0
No consume	59	11.7
Cheap	35	6.9
Total	506	100
Type of fish		
Alabalık	137	27.1
Hamsi	191	37.7
İstavrit	23	4.5
Levrek	42	8.3
Palamut	54	10.7
Somon	19	3.8
No consume	40	7.9
Total	506	100

#### **Fish species preference**

Which fish species will be chosen changes based on the economic and social conditions of the individuals. The chosen fish species are black sea salmon, anchovy, horse-mackerel, sea bass, bonito and salmon. The scale was implemented to 506 people. 40 people who did not consume fish were excluded from the evaluation and the analysis was made with the remaining 466 people.

The Naive Bayes classification results that explain the prior and conditional probabilities of the factors that affect the fish species preferences are presented in Table 2. The prior probability was calculated the highest for "Anchovy" species (41%). The accurate classification rate of the Naive Bayes classification was found as 46.35%

```
A-priori probabilities:
Υ
  Alabalik
                Hamsi
                         istavrit
                                      Levrek
                                                 Palamut
                                                               Somon
0.29399142 0.40987124 0.04935622 0.09012876 0.11587983 0.04077253
Conditional probabilities:
          Sex
Y
                          woman
                  man
  Alabalik 0.5766423 0.4233577
           0.6596859 0.3403141
  Hamsi
  istavrit 0.3913043 0.6086957
  Levrek
           0.3571429 0.6428571
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Palamut 0.6296296 0.3703704 Somon 0.5789474 0.4210526	
Marital Y married single Alabalik 0.4160584 0.5839416 Hamsi 0.3298429 0.6701571 istavrit 0.6956522 0.3043478 Levrek 0.3809524 0.6190476 Palamut 0.3888889 0.6111111 Somon 0.2631579 0.7368421	
Income Y 1500_3000 3000_4000 4000_5000 5000_10000 Alabalik 0.37956204 0.40145985 0.16788321 0.05109489 Hamsi 0.49214660 0.28795812 0.16230366 0.05759162 istavrit 0.17391304 0.30434783 0.34782609 0.17391304 Levrek 0.38095238 0.14285714 0.30952381 0.16666667 Palamut 0.5555556 0.166666667 0.18518519 0.09259259 Somon 0.42105263 0.21052632 0.10526316 0.26315789	
Food spend Y 1000_1500 1500_2000 2000_3000 500_1000 Alabalik 0.17518248 0.09489051 0.02189781 0.70802920 Hamsi 0.21989529 0.13612565 0.04188482 0.60209424 istavrit 0.08695652 0.56521739 0.04347826 0.30434783 Levrek 0.42857143 0.04761905 0.09523810 0.42857143 Palamut 0.29629630 0.12962963 0.0000000 0.57407407 Somon 0.21052632 0.10526316 0.21052632 0.47368421	
Preference Y be_healty being_cheap delicious nutritious Alabalik 0.41605839 0.08029197 0.24817518 0.25547445 Hamsi 0.39790576 0.13612565 0.29842932 0.16753927 istavrit 0.17391304 0.26086957 0.34782609 0.21739130 Levrek 0.5000000 0.09523810 0.166666667 0.23809524 Palamut 0.31481481 0.11111111 0.37037037 0.20370370 Somon 0.31578947 0.10526316 0.52631579 0.05263158	

The C4.5 algorithm results that show the factors related to the fish species preference are presented in Table 3 and Figure 1.

**Table 3.** Classification results of the C4.5 algorithm (fish species preference)

```
Food spend = 1000_{1500}
      preference = be_healty
             income = 1500_3000: Hamsi (17.0/6.0)
             income = 3000_{4000}
            sex = man: Palamut (3.0/1.0)
sex = woman: Alabalik (6.0/3.0)
income = 4000_5000
                  sex = man: Alabalik (5.0/3.0)
sex = woman: Levrek (6.0/2.0)
      income = 5000_10000: Alabalik (5.0/3.0)
preference = being_cheap: Hamsi (16.0/7.0)
      preference = delicious
             income = 1500_3000: Hamsi (18.0/10.0)
             income = 3000_{4000}
                  marital = married: Hamsi (2.0)
marital = single: Palamut (3.0)
             income = 4000_5000: Alabalik (6.0/2.0)
income = 5000_3000. Alabatik (6.0/2.0)
income = 5000_10000: Levrek (2.0/1.0)
preference = nutritious: Levrek (17.0/8.0)
Food spend = 1500_2000
      preference = be_healty
| income = 1500_3000: Palamut (4.0/2.0)
             income = 3000_{4000}
                   sex = man: Alabalik (5.0/2.0)
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```
sex = woman: Hamsi (4.0/1.0)
    income = 4000_5000: Hamsi (4.0/1.0)
income = 5000_10000: Hamsi (1.0)
preference = being_cheap: Hamsi (2.0/1.0)
     preference = delicious
          income = 1500_3000: Alabalik (6.0/4.0)
          income = 3000_4000
               marital = married: Alabalik (3.0/2.0)
               marital = single: Hamsi (3.0)
          income = 4000_5000: istavrit (7.0/1.0)
income = 5000_10000: istavrit (2.0/1.0)
     preference = nutritious: Hamsi (22.0/10.0)
foodspend = 2000_{3000}
     preference = be_healty: Levrek (8.0/4.0)
     preference = being_cheap: Alabalik (2.0/1.0)
    preference = delicious: Hamsi (9.0/3.0)
preference = nutritious: Alabalik (1.0)
foodspend = 500_{1000}
     income = 1500_3000: Hamsi (137.0/77.0)
     income = 3000_{4000}
          preference = be_healty
| sex = man: Hamsi (24.0/9.0)
| sex = woman: Alabalik (20.0/8.0)
          preference = being_cheap: Alabalik (7.0/4.0)
          preference = delicious
               sex = man: Hamsi (12.0/2.0)
               sex = woman: Alabalik (7.0/3.0)
          preference = nutritious: Alabalik (26.0/10.0)
     income = 4000_5000: Hamsi (35.0/21.0)
     income = 5000_{10000}
          preference = be_healty: Levrek (2.0)
          preference = being_cheap: istavrit (1.0)
          preference = delicious: Palamut (3.0/1.0)
preference = nutritious: Alabalik (3.0/1.0)
Number of Leaves
                      :
                             41
Size of the tree :
                             59
```

The confusion matrix is presented in Table 4. The following calculation results were found: Correctly Classified Instances=53.86%, Kappa statistic=0.2961, Mean absolute error=0.1971, Root mean squared error=0.3139, Relative absolute error=81.9761%, Root relative squared error=90.63%.

Table 4. Confusion Matrix

	a	b	С	d	е	f	< classified as
	56	76	0	4	1	0	a = Alabalik
	26	158	0	6	1	0	b = Hamsi
	5	8	8	1	1	0	c = istavrit
	4	17	0	20	1	0	d = Levrek
	6	35	1	3	9	0	e = Palamut
	5	12	1	1	0	0	f = Somon
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Figure 1. C4.5 algorithm

The C5.0 algorithm results regarding the factors that affected the fish species preference are given in Table 5. The confusion matrix is given in Table 6 and the C5.0 decision tree is given in Figure 2.

**Table 5.** Classification results of the C5.0 algorithm (fish species preference)



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```
preference in {be_healty,delicious}:
:...income = 1500_3000: Hamsi (35/16)
income = 5000_10000:
    :...preference = be_healty: Alabalik (5/3)
         preference = delicious: Levrek (2/1)
    income = 3000_4000:
     ...preference = be_healty:
         :...sex = man: Palamut (3/1)
: sex = woman: Alabalik (6/3)
         preference = delicious:
         :...marital = married: Hamsi (2)
             marital = single: Palamut (3)
    income = 4000_5000:
    \ldots sex = woman:
         :...preference = be_healty: Levrek (6/2)
             preference = delicious: Alabalik (1)
         sex = man:
         :...marital = married: Hamsi (5/2)
             marital = single:
             :...preference = be_healty: Palamut (1)
                  preference = delicious: Alabalik (4/1)
```

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Table 6. Confusion Matrix
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(a	ι)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	<-classified as
		75	56	1	4	1	(a): class Alabalik
		37	147		6	1	(b): class Hamsi
		4	8	10	1		(c): class istavrit
		9	12		20	1	(d): class Levrek
		15	24	2	3	10	(e): class Palamut
		7	9	2	1		(f): class Somon



Figure 2. C5.0 decision tree structure

Since the classification error was 43.8% in the C5.0 algorithm, the accuracy rate was 56.2%. Compared with other algorithms, C5.0 algorithm had higher level of accuracy rate than the Naive Bayes and C4.5

algorithms. While the most effective factor regarding the preferred fish species was the monthly food spend in the C5.0 algorithm, and the most important second factor was the monthly income. The decision rules and results of all effective factors are given in Figure 2 in detail.

### **Fish consumption frequency**

Fish consumption frequency changes based on the economic and social conditions of the individual as well as her palate for food. Consumption frequency has three options as "several times a month", "once in a month" and "several times a year". Of 506 individuals who participated in the survey, 466 consumed fish; thus, the statistical analysis was made accordingly.

The Naive Bayes classification results that explain the prior and conditional probabilities of the factors that affect the fish consumption frequency are presented in Table 2. The highest prior probability belonged to "several times a month" with the ratio of 55.79%. The accurate classification rate of the Naive Bayes classification was found as 59.87%.

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Table 7. Naive Bayes classification
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A· Y	A-priori probabilities:					
ľ	few_a_week several_a_month several_a_year 0.2017167 0.5579399 0.2403433					
	onditional probabilities: sex					
Y	man woman few_a_week 0.5957447 0.4042553 several_a_month 0.5846154 0.4153846 several_a_year 0.5892857 0.4107143					
Y	marital married single					
	few_a_week 0.4787234 0.5212766 several_a_month 0.3961538 0.6038462 several_a_year 0.2678571 0.7321429					
Y						
	few_a_week 0.42553191 0.14893617 0.25531915 0.17021277 several_a_month 0.36538462 0.38846154 0.19230769 0.05384615 several_a_year 0.61607143 0.18750000 0.11607143 0.08035714					
Y						
	few_a_week 0.27659574 0.15957447 0.06382979 0.50000000 several_a_month 0.19230769 0.13846154 0.04615385 0.62307692 several_a_year 0.26785714 0.10714286 0.01785714 0.60714286					
Y	preference be_healty being_cheap delicious nutritious					
	few_a_week 0.37234043 0.09574468 0.40425532 0.12765957 several_a_month 0.45000000 0.07307692 0.22307692 0.25384615					
	several_a_year 0.25892857 0.24107143 0.35714286 0.14285714					

The C4.5 algorithm results that show the factors related to fish consumption frequency are presented in Table 8 and Figure 3.

 Table 8. Classification results of the C4.5 algorithm (fish consumption frequency)

```
Income = 1500_3000
preference = be_healty: several_a_month (74.0/34.0)
preference = being_cheap: several_a_year (29.0/12.0)
preference = delicious
foodspend = 1000_1500: several_a_year (18.0/8.0)
foodspend = 1500_2000: several_a_year (6.0/2.0)
foodspend = 2000_3000: several_a_month (2.0)
foodspend = 500_1000
sex = man: several_a_month (26.0/13.0)
sex = woman
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```
marital = married: several_a_month (5.0/2.0)
                   marital = single: several_a_year (13.0/5.0)
preference = nutritious: several_a_month (31.0/12.0)
income = 3000_4000: several_a_month (136.0/35.0)
income = 4000_{5000}
    preference = be_healty: several_a_month (33.0/12.0)
    preference = being_cheap
         marital = married: several_a_year (3.0/1.0)
marital = single: several_a_month (7.0/3.0)
    preference = delicious
         marital = married: few_a_week (13.0/3.0)
    marital = single: several_a_month (10.0/4.0)
preference = nutritious: several_a_month (21.0/6.0)
income = 5000_{10000}
    preference = be_healty: few_a_week (12.0/6.0)
    preference = being_cheap
         sex = man: few_a_week (4.0/1.0)
         sex = woman: several_a_year (2.0)
    preference = delicious
         sex = man: several_a_month (10.0/5.0)
         sex = woman: few_a_week (2.0)
    preference = nutritious: several_a_month (9.0/5.0)
Number of Leaves
                           22
                      1
Size of the tree :
                            33
```

The relevant confusion matrix is given in Table 9. The following calculation results were found: Correctly Classified Instances=63.73%, Kappa statistic=0.2946, Mean absolute error=0.3363, Root mean squared error=0.4101, Relative absolute error=85.40%, Root relative squared error=92.45%.

**Table 9.** Confusion Matrix (for fish consumption frequency)

Γ	a	b	С	< classified as
	21	64	9	$a = few_a_week$
	8	233	19	$b = several_a_month$
	2	67	43	c = several_a_year



Figure 3. C4.5 algorithm to determine the frequency of fish consumption

The C5.0 algorithm results regarding the factors that affected the fish species preference are given in Table 10. The confusion matrix is given in Table 11 and the C5.0 decision tree is given in Figure 4.

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Table 10. Classification results of the C5.0 algorithm (fish consumption frequency)
             in {be_healty, nutritious}: several_a_month (275/92)
preference
preference in {being_cheap,delicious}:
...income in {4000_5000,5000_10000}:
...income = 5000_10000: few_a_week (18/10)
...income = 4000_5000:
          :...marital = single: several_a_month (17/7)
               marital = married:
               :...preference = being_cheap: several_a_year (3/1)
                     preference = delicious: few_a_week (13/3)
     income in {1500_3000,3000_4000}:
         foodspend = 1000\_1500: several_a_year (32/14)
          foodspend = 2000_{3000}: several_a_month (3) foodspend = 1500_{2000}:
          :...marital = married: few_a_week (4/2)
               marital = single: several_a_year (9/2)
          foodspend = 500_1000:
          :...preference = being_cheap:
               :...sex = man: several_a_year (19/6)
: sex = woman: several_a_month (10/3)
               preference = delicious:
                :...sex = man: several_a_month (38/18)
                    sex = woman:
                     :...income = 1500_3000:
                          :...marital = married: several_a_month (5/2)
                               marital = single: several_a_year (13/5)
                          income = 3000_4000:
                          :...marital = married: several_a_year (2)
    marital = single: several_a_month (5/1)
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 Table 11. Confusion Matrix (belong to frequency of fish consumption)

(a)	(b)	(c)	<-classified as
20	66 230	8 20	(a): class few_a_week (b): class several_a_month
10	230	-	
5	57	50	(c): class several_a_year



Figure 4. C5.0 decision tree structure for the frequency of fish consumption

Since the classification error was 35.6% in the C5.0 algorithm, the accuracy rate was 64.4%. Compared with other algorithms used in this study, C5.0 algorithm had higher level of accuracy rate than the Naive Bayes and C4.5 algorithms. The most effective factor in detecting the fish consumption frequency was the reason for fish preference followed by the monthly income. The decision rules and results of all effective factors are given in Figure 4 in detail. For instance, those with a monthly income between 5000-10000 Turkish Liras among those who prefer fish based on low price and taste and with a monthly income between 4000-5000 and 5000-10000 Turkish Liras consume fish several times a week (Node 1, Node 3, Node 4 and Node 5). Similarly, single individuals with a monthly income between 4000-5000 and 5000-10000 Turkish Liras consume fish several times a week (Node 1, Node 6 and Node 7). Married individuals with the same conditions and preference based on taste consume fish several times a week or a year (Node 1, Node 3, Node 4, Node 6, Node 8, Node 9 and Node 10). The results stated in the other rules and nodes can be interpreted similarly.

Similar to this study, R program was used in a study on data mining classification algorithms. the study was conducted with the C5.0 and Gini algorithms, and it was reported that C5.0 algorithm had higher performance (Çınar, 2019). Küçükönder et al. (2015) made the classification of some mechanical features about the color ripeness of tomato with the K-Star, Random forest and C4.5 classification algorithms. The authors stated that the classification model formed with the K-Star algorithm produced better results. Another study used the logistic regression, C5.0, CART and Support Vector Machine methods for the classification of the return on equity, and the highest accurate classification success belonged to the CART algorithm (Yakut and Gemici, 2017).

## **IV. CONCLUSION**

This study was carried out to determine the factors that affected the predicted classification related to the fish species preference and fish consumption frequency of people who lived in Bingöl, Turkey and neighboring provinces in 2020. Analyses were made using the consumption habits of the individuals and the Naive Bayes, C4.5 and C5.0 algorithm methods. Considering the analysis results of the C4.5 and C5.0 algorithms, the most important factors that affected the classification prediction for the fish species were monthly food spend, income, and the reason for preference. As a result of the C4.5 algorithm, the most important factors that affected the consumption frequency in the C5.0 algorithm were the reason for consumption, monthly income and monthly food spend. In the study on C4.5 and C5.0 algorithms and fish species preference, 59 rules were created for each. In the classification of the fish consumption frequency, 33 rules were created in C4.5 algorithm and 29 rules were created in C5.0 algorithm.

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When analysis methods were examined in terms of model performance, C5.0 algorithm was found to have better performance than Naive Bayes and C4.5 algorithms. In conclusion, data mining and classification algorithms are expected to be useful for the further stages of the evaluation of the consumers' behaviors.

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