# Fish Disease Diagnose System using Case-based Reasoning with Euclidean Distance

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Abstract: Nile Tilapia fish disease has concerned the fish farmers. The farmers still lacked knowledge and information for finding the appropriate solution to prevent or cure the disease, and this situation caused the deficiency of Nile Tilapia fish harvest, which caused financial loss. Thus, it is necessary to find a suitable application as a medium of consultancy to diagnose the disease symptoms that affect Nile Tilapia fishes. Case-Based Reasoning (CBR) is one of the methods that can solve the problem by making a new Decision Support System (DCS) by referring to the old cases which have similarities or even the same cases like the new DCS. The system which is made in this study is the CBR system to diagnose Nile Tilapia disease by using *Euclidean Distance Method*. The number of based-cases which are used for this study is 40 old cases that are analyzed by using 40 new cases. System testing has been done three times by using Threshold 1, 2, and 3. The Threshold testing 1, 2, and 3 fell in the scores of 100%, 100% and 100% respectively. As a result, this study provides a useful application for Nile Tilapia fish farmers to prevent and cure fish disease.

# **1 INTRODUCTION**

Nile Tilapia is freshwater fish which is said to be originally coming from East Africa around 1969. Its lateen name is Oreochromis Niloticus. Nile Tilapia is commonly consumed by people around the world (Kottelat et al., 1993). Nile Tilapia can be affected by the fish disease, and if this disease is not treated appropriately, the effect could be fatal such as causing the fish to die and make the fish farmers suffer significant financial loss due to deficiency of the fish harvest. The issue was when those Nile Tilapia fishes were affected by the disease, most of the fish farmers still did not know how to find appropriate information in order to find a proper solution to cure the disease. If the fish farmers were going to find and meet the Nile Tilapia experts directly in order to consult the fish disease, their Nile Tilapia fishes which were already affected might die at the time they were consulting. This habit caused more time and even gave a worse outcome (Chitmanat et al., 2016).

Fortunately, the fish farmers could use the technology to find proper information about how to prevent and cure the Nile Tilapia fish disease. Information medium is necessary in order to help the process of consultancy which are based on the dependable expert system. By using Case-Based Reasoning (CBR) application that uses the *Euclidean Distance Method*, this study is expected to give a proper and beneficial solution for the fish farmers in preventing and curing the Nile Tilapia fish disease.

# 2 LITERATURE REVIEW

Case-Based Reasoning (CBR) is one of the most successful techniques among knowledge-based systems in various types of problem domains. CBR previously came from researches which are related to cognitive science. In 1997, Schank and Abelson proposed CBR for the first time. They proposed that human's general knowledge about a particular situation is recorded in the brain as a script that allows us to set up an expectation and perform inference (Watson, 1997). CBR is highly regarded as a plausible high-level model for cognitive processing. It was focused on problems such as how people learn a new skill and how they generate hypotheses about a new situation based on their past experiences (Pal and Shiu, 2003). According to Aamodt et al. (1994), CBR consisted of four stages. They are Retrieve, Reuse, Revise and Retain. There is case representation in a

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CBR system which aims to describe the problems and the solutions to solve the problems. In a CBR system, the new case is compared to the old case which was saved in a database system. Then, the system will calculate the level of appropriateness or agreement between the old case and the new case (Aamodt and Plaza, 1994). The particular attributes that will be used as a standard of comparison are the information of every case, whether it is the old or new case (Ji et al., 2010). The information can be the symptoms and types of disease. This information is taken from the database to count the proximity or distance value. This calculation is to measure the similarity between the data-items and the distance between the two objects. Euclidean distance is an approach which is commonly used for measuring two vectors (Merigo and Casanovas, 2011). This study measures the distance proximity value between the new and old cases which were previously happened by using Euclidean Distance.

# **3 RESEARCH METHOD**

This section aims to elaborate on several methods which are used to solve the research problems of this study. Those methods are explained below:

#### 3.1 Data Gathering Techniques

The data findings are obtained directly from the research objects and the available references. The approaches which are used to gather the data are:

This method was done by directly visiting the research field, which was the office of the Department of Fisheries and Marine at Kotamobagu and consulting with the Nile Tilapia fish experts.

#### 3.1.1 Library Study

This study was done by gathering and researching documents such as published journals and books. The included reference have correlations with the topic of this study.

## **3.2 Data Collection Method**

The financial lost which had been often faced by the fish farmers were mostly caused by the lack of information related to Nile Tilapia fish disease. This problem could be solved by having a consultation system which is specifically designed to help the fish farmers to gain more reliable information related to Nile Tilapia fish disease. The system which is made for this study aims to diagnose and give useful suggestion to treat the Nile Tilapia fishes, which are infected by the disease. The *admin* of the system plays a role as the one who inputs the master data into the application, and the *users* are the Nile Tilapia fish farmers. The *users* are the parties who diagnose the disease by inputting the symptoms into the application.

#### 3.2.1 Document Study

This study data is the data of Nile Tilapia fish disease which were listed and given by the Nile Tilapia fish experts who works at the Department of Fisheries and Marine of Kotamobagu city. The data has been specified and taken from all of the documents. Next, they were inputted on the department's database from 2017 to 2018. The examples of the data are presented below in Table 1.

Table 1: Fish Disease.

Disease Name
Trichodina spp
Epistylis spp
Saprolegniasis
Red Stain
Notonecta

Table 1 proposes the data which was gotten from the Department of Fisheries and Marine of Kotamobagu. This data shows that there are five types of diseases. The following data is the symptoms which are appeared in the Nile Tilapia fish. The data is shown below in Table 2.

Table 2: Data of Symptoms

Symptom	Symptom Name			
Code				
S01	Scars in the area which are infected			
S02	White yarns are found on the fish' skin			
S03	The fish' gill becomes brownish red			
S04	The fish seems to breathe hardly			
S05	The fish' movement becomes slower than			
305	usual			
S06	The fish experiences stunted growth			
S07	There is bleeding in the fish' skin			
S08	The fish' scales are peeling off			
S09	The fish' stomach becomes bloated			
S10	There are ulcers on the fish' skin			
S11	The fish looks weak			
The fish is often seen on the surface o				
S12	pond			
S13	There are white spots like rice on the fish' skin			
S14	There are white yarns around the fish' body			
S15	There are red spots on the fish' skin			

Table 2 shows the symptoms of the disease, which usually affect Nile Tilapia Fishes. The case representation of every disease and symptom are shown in Table 1 and Table 2. They are clarified in Table 3 below.

Table 3: Case-Based Data.

				S		
С	D	1	2	3	4	5
C1	D1	1	1	0	0	0
C2	D2	0	1	1	1	1
C3	D3	0	0	0	0	0
C4	D4	0	0	0	0	0
C5	D5	0	0	0	0	0
C6	D1	0	1	0	0	0
C7	D2	0	0	0	1	1
C8	D3	0	0	0	0	0
C9	D4	0	0	0	0	0
C10	D5	0	0	1	0	0
С	D			S		
C	D	6	7	8	9	10
C1	D1	0	0	0	0	0
C2	D2	0	0	0	0	0
C3	D3	1	1	1	1	0
C4	D4	0	0	0	0	0
C5	D5	0	0	0	0	0
C6	D1	0	0	0	0	0
C7	D2	0	0	0	0	0
C8	D3	0	1	0	0	1
C9	D4	0		1	0	0
C10	D5	0	0	0	0	0
С	D			S		
C	D	11	12	13	14	15
C1	D1	0	0	0	0	0
C2	D2	0	0	0	0	0
C3	D3	0	0	0	0	0
C4	D4	1	1	0	0	1
C5	D5	0	0	1	1	0
C6	D1	0	0	0	0	0
C7	D2	0	0	0	0	0
C8	D3	0	0	0	0	0
C9	D4	1	1	0	0	0
C10	D5	0	0	1	0	0

#### Notes: S=Symptoms, C=Case, D=Disease

Table 3 has shown the ten cases which are taken as the case-based for CBR in the process of diagnosing the Nile Tilapia fish disease. Next, this section provides new case-based data that will be measured by measuring its proximity value with the old casebased data. The data is shown in Table 4 below.

Table 4: New Case-Based Data.

С	1	2	3	4	5
B1	0	0	0	0	0
B2	1	0	0	0	0
B3	0	1	0	0	0
B4	0	0	1	0	0
B5	0	0	0	1	0
B6	0	0	0	0	0
B7	0	0	0	0	1
B8	0	0	0	0	1
B9	0	0	0	0	0
B10	0	0	0	0	0
С	6	7	8	9	10
B1	0	0	0	0	0
B2	0	0	0	0	0
B3	0	0	0	0	0
B4	0	0	0	0	0
B5	0	0	0	0	0
B6	0	0	0	0	1
B7	0	0	0	0	0
B8	0	0	0	0	0
B9	0	0	0	0	0
B10	0	0	0	0	0
C	11	12	13	14	15
B1	0	0	0	0	1
B2	0	0	0	0	0
B3	0	0	0	0	0
B4	0	0	0	0	0
B5	0	0	0	-0	0
B6	0	0	0	0	0
B7	0	0	0	0	0
B8	0	0	0	0	0
B9	0	1	0	0	0
B10	1	1	0	0	0

#### 3.2.2 Euclidean Distance Method

Euclidean distance is a method that computes the root of the square difference between the coordinates of a pair of objects.

$$Dist_{XY} = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} (X_{ik} - X_{jk})^2}$$
(1)

Notes:

 $Dist_{XY} = dissimilarity degree$ 

m = numbers of vectors

$$X_{jk}$$
 = input vector

 $X_{ik}$  = output vector

k = the attribute which represents each vector  $X_{jk}$  and  $X_{ik}$ 

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A metric function or distance function is a function which defines a distance between elements/objects of a set. A set with a metric is known as metric space. This distance metric plays a vital role in clustering techniques. The numerous methods are available for clustering techniques. Typically, the task is to define a function similarity (X, Y), where X and Y are two objects or sets of a particular class, and the value of function represents the degree of "similarity" between the two. Formally, a distance function is a function with positive real values, defined on the Cartesian product X x X of a set X (Goncalves et al., 2014).

$$d(i,j) = \sqrt{|X_{i1} - X_{j1}|^2 + |X_{i2} - X_{j2}|^2 + \dots + |X_{ip} - X_{jp}|^2}$$
(2)

Notes:

 $\begin{array}{ll} d(i,j) &= Euclidean \ Distance\\ X_i &= value \ point \ 1\\ X_j &= value \ point \ 2 \end{array}$ 

When we use the function of *Euclidean Distance* for comparing the distance, it is unnecessary to calculate the second root because the distance is always positive numbers. An important component in the algorithm cluster measures the distance among each data point. If the data component is a part of the same unit, the simple *Euclidean Distance* only is capable enough for similar grouping data (Singh et al., 2013).

#### 3.2.3 Accuracy Measurement

In this study, the testing is done by comparing the measurement result manually by using the *Euclidean Distance Method* with the measurement result, which used CBR application through accuracy measurement. Accuracy value describes true presentation from the total of cases which are tested (Baratloo et al., 2015). The accuracy measurement can be seen in Equation (3).

$$Accuracy = \frac{Jumlah Kasus Sesuai}{Jumlah Keseluruhan Kasus} X 100\%$$
(3)

# 3.2.4 Measurement by using Euclidean Distance Algorithm

The detail of the CBR mechanism system by using Euclidean distance can be seen in Figure 1 below.

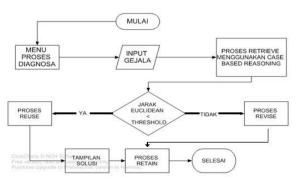


Figure 1: CBR Mechanism System by using Euclidean Distance.

Based on the data in previous Table and Table 4, the measurement by using *Euclidean Distance* algorithm for measuring new cases and old cases were begun by measuring the case B1 in Table 4 with all cases in Table 3. The equations below are examples of measurements which used Equation (2):

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C1 is explained below:  $\frac{(0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2}{(0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2$ 

$$d(B1,C1) = \begin{cases} (0 - 1)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} \\ = \sqrt{\frac{1 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0}{0 + 0 + 0 + 0}} \\ \sqrt{\frac{1 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0}{0 + 0 + 0 + 0}} \\ = \sqrt{3} = 1.732 \end{cases}$$

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C2 is explained below:  $\overline{(0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2$ 

$$d(B1,C2) = \begin{cases} (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 1)^{2} + (0 - 1)^{2} + (0 - 1)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (0 - 0)^{2} + (1 - 0)^{2} \end{cases}$$
$$= \sqrt{5} = 2.236$$
The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C3 is explained below:
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$$\sqrt{ (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (1 - 0)^2 }$$

$$= \sqrt{ \frac{0 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0}{0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0} }$$

$$= \sqrt{ \frac{0 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0}{0 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0} }$$

$$=\sqrt{3} = 1.732$$

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C4 is explained below:

$$d(B1,C4) = \begin{cases} (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (1-0)^2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+0+0}{0+0+1+1+1}} = \sqrt{7} = 2.645$$

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C5 is explained below:  $\frac{(0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2$ 

$$d(B1,C5) = \begin{cases} (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (0 - 1)^2 + (0 - 1)^2 + (0 - 1)^2 + (1 - 1)^2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \sqrt{0 + 0 + 1 + 0 + 0}$$
$$= \sqrt{3} = 1.732$$

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C6 is explained below:

	$ (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 +$
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$$\sqrt{0+1+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+1}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{2}$  = 1.414

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C7 is explained below:

$$d(B1,C7) = \begin{cases} (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (1-0)^2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+1+1}{0+0+0+0}} = \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+1+1}{0+0+0+0}} = \sqrt{3} = 1.732$$

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C8 is explained below:

$$d(B1,C8) = \begin{cases} (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (1-0)^2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+0+0}{0+0+0+0}} = \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+0+0}{0+0+0+0}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{2}} = 1.414$$

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C9 is explained below:

$$d(B1,C9) = \begin{cases} (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (1-0)^2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+0+0+0}{0+0+1+1+1}} = \sqrt{6} = 2.449$$

The Measurement of Case B1 with the case C10 is explained below:

$$d(B1,C10) = \begin{cases} (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-0)^2 + (0-1)^2 + (1-1)^2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+0+0}{0+0+0+0+0}} = \sqrt{\frac{0+0+0+0+0}{1+1+0}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{2}} = 1.414$$

Based on the measurements which are done manually by using *Euclidean Distance* toward the new cases B1 with the old cases in Table 3 which are C1 to C10, it can be concluded that new cases have similarities with case 1 (C10) with the distance 1.4. It means the available solution for C10 can be reused, and the proper diagnose for Nile Tilapia disease can be acquired. The view of CBR application using *Euclidean Distance* can be seen in Figure 2 below.

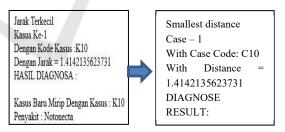


Figure 2:Diagnose result using CBR Euclidean Distance.

From the example of measurement method using *Euclidean Distance* towards the new case B1, the new case B2 to B10 could be measured as well. The final measurement, which shows each proximity value of new cases, is shown in Table 5 below.

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No	В	Distance	Similarity (Proximity
			Value) with Old Cases
1	B1	1.4	C10
2	B2	1	C1
3	B3	0	C6
4	B4	1.4	C6
5	B5	1	C7
6	B6	0	C8
7	B7	1	C7
8	B8	1.4	C6
9	B9	1.4	C6
10	B10	1.7	C6

Table 5: Result of Case B1 to B10

The data in Table 5 shows new cases B1 to B10, where the smallest distance in new cases B3 and B6 fell in score 0.

## 4 FINDINGS

System testing has been done to know the system accuracy to diagnose fish disease. It also aims to test and check whether the work process of the system is already suitable with the master design or not (Koo et al., 2010). The system testing is done by checking the diagnosis result system where 40 cases are used as the testing data. The testing process is done by using three different thresholds which are 1, 2, and 3.

In the accuracy system, 38 appropriate cases are divided by whole 40 cases. Then, the result showed that the accuracy level fell by 95%. For the comparison between the expert measurement and the application by using Threshold 2 could be seen in Table 6.

Table 6: The Comparison between the Manual and Application Diagnose Result.

No	Symptoms	Diagnose Result (Expert)	Diagnose Result (Application)	Note
1	S15	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable
2	S1	Trichodina spp	Tricodina spp	Suitable
3	S2	Tricodina spp	Tricodina spp	Suitable
4	S3	Nononecta	Nononecta	Suitable
5	S4	Nononecta	Nononecta	Suitable
6	S10	Saprolegnia sis	Saprolegniasi s	Suitable
7	S5	Epistylis spp	Epistylis spp	Suitable
8	S6	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable

9	S12	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
	S12	rotoneeta	rotoneeta	Sumon	
10	and	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
10	S12	11010110011	11010110011	Surtuore	
		Epistylis	Fnistylis		
11	S3	spp	Epistylis spp	Suitable	
	~ *	Epistylis		~	
12	S5	spp	Epistylis spp	Suitable	
13	S9	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
14	S11	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
15	S10	Saprolegnia	Saprolegniasi	0.411	
15	810	sis	s	Suitable	
16	S1	Trichodina	Trichodina	C:	
10	51	spp	spp	Suitable	
17	S13	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
18	S14	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
19	S15	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
20	<b>S</b> 2	Trichodina	Notonecta	Unsuitab	
20	52	spp	noioneeta	le	
21	<b>S</b> 6	Epistylis	Epistylis spp	Suitable	
	50	spp			
22	S8	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
23	S9	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
24	S12	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
25	S13	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
26	<b>S</b> 6	Epistylis	Epistylis spp	Suitable	
20	50	spp	Epistyns spp	Suitable	
27	S5	Epistylis	Epistylis spp	Suitable	
		spp			
28	S10	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
29	S15	Epistylis	Epistylis spp	Suitable	
		spp	1 2 11		
30	S3	Trichodina	Trichodina	Suitable	
	-	spp Trichodina	spp Triste dine		
31	S1		Trichodina	Suitable	
		spp Trichodina	spp Trichodina		
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		spp Saprolegnia	spp Saprolegniasi		
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34	S11	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
35	S11 S12	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
35	S12 S13	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
		Trichodina		Unsuitable	
37	S2	spp	Notonecta	le	
38	S4	Notonecta	Notonecta	Suitable	
39	54 S8	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
40	S12	Red Spot	Red Spot	Suitable	
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Table 6 shows the testing system by using threshold two which resulted in 100% similarity while the testing system. The system used threshold 1 and 3 and implemented the same process as threshold 2. All testing of threshold 1, 2 and 3 can be seen in Table 7 as the table, which also shows the measurement result.

Table 7: Measurement Result of Threshold 1, 2 and 3

	The Total	The Total	Percentage		
Threshold	of Cases	of Suitable	Result		
		Cases			
T1	40	39	97,5%		
T2	40	38	95%		

Т3	40	39	97,5%
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We can see in Table 7 that the testing system using threshold 1, 2 and 3 are scored 97.5% for threshold 1, 95% for threshold 2, and 97.5 for threshold 3.

# 5 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

#### 5.1 Conclusion

Based on this study's finding, which elaborated the application that uses CBR with *Euclidean Distance Method* to diagnose the disease of Nile Tilapia fish, we can conclude that:

- 1. The system can diagnose the disease by referring to the symptoms and then giving the solution based on the type of disease which is determined by the symptoms.
- 2. The system gives the diagnosis based on the similarities (proximity level) between old cases and new cases. The diagnoses can be categorized as "similar" if the distance value is  $\leq 1.5$ .
- 3. The system was tested three times by using threshold 1, 2, and 3. The testing scored 100% for threshold 1, 100% for threshold 2, and 100% for threshold 3.

# 5.2 Recommendation

The recommendations from this study for further researches are:

- 1. The CBR system in this study is still an offline application. It is recommended for future researchers to implement this system in their online application. Therefore, this system could be accessed anywhere and anytime.
- 2. The process of locating the distance can be developed by using *similarity* method, or by combining *Minkowski distance* along with *manhattan distance* and *Euclidean distance* in order to get more complex system.

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