

Machine Learning Towards Sustainable Agriculture for Crop Recommendation

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Abstract: Despite being one of the most important industries for human survival, farmers frequently struggle to choose the best crop to grow given the soil and environmental factors. This study introduces a machine learning-driven crop recommendation system that gathers real-time data on soil pH, moisture, temperature, and humidity using IoT sensors. After being uploaded to a web-based platform, the gathered data is processed by machine learning algorithms to recommend the best crops based on predictive modeling and historical data. Utilizing real-time analytics and AI-based decision making, the system optimizes resource utilization and increases crop yield by offering individualized recommendations.

Farmers can upload sensor data, view analytical insights, and access recommendations in an interactive and user-friendly way through the web application, which acts as their main interface. The platform ensures scalability and accessibility by integrating cloud computing for the storage and analysis of large datasets. Additionally, the system offers adaptive learning mechanisms and automated alerts, allowing farmers to modify their plans in response to shifting environmental conditions. The findings show that the suggested system improves the accuracy of crop selection, lessens reliance on conventional farming practices, and encourages data-driven precision agriculture.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The foundation of food production is agriculture, but many farmers struggle with poor crop selection because they have limited access to up-to-date soil and environmental data. Conventional techniques frequently produce yields that are less than ideal because they rely on experience and broad recommendations. A data-driven approach for making accurate agricultural decisions is made possible by the combination of machine learning with IoT technology. This study introduces a system that measures important soil parameters using IoT sensors, then uses machine learning

algorithms to forecast and suggest the best crop. A web application is created to improve accessibility, allowing farmers to upload sensor data, visualize insights, and receive recommendations in real time. Additionally, the platform incorporates predictive analytics and cloud storage to continuously improve recommendations. Research indicates that predictive systems powered by AI enhance accuracy in agricultural applications (Zhang et al., 2018)

II. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Farmers frequently depend on generalized regional recommendations or trial-and-error methods, which might not be suitable for particular soil conditions. Manual crop selection is inefficient due to factors like climate change, soil degradation, and unpredictable weather patterns. Inadequate decision-making due to a lack of real-time soil data analysis causes low yield, soil depletion, and financial losses. An automated, data-driven system that can evaluate soil parameters and offer individualized, scientifically supported crop recommendations is required.

III. LITERATURE REVIEW

The application of machine learning and IoT in agriculture has been the subject of numerous studies. In their discussion of sensor-based soil analysis for crop recommendations, Patel et al. (2020) emphasized the significance of real-time data collection. Breiman (2001) presented Random Forest algorithms, which have demonstrated a high degree of accuracy in agricultural forecasts. Quinlan (1996) gave an example of the application of Decision Tree models to classification-based crop selection. According to Yadav & Patel (2020), the use of cloud computing in precision agriculture has been successful in scaling predictive analytics. Furthermore, research by Miotto et al. (2016) emphasizes the application of deep learning methods in predictive modeling, which may improve the accuracy of crop recommendations even more. The use of big data analytics to improve machine learning algorithms in agriculture is covered by Rajkomar et al. (2019).

IV. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

Data collection via Internet of Things (IoT) sensors that continuously track soil parameters like pH, moisture, temperature, and humidity is the first of several crucial steps in the suggested methodology. The data gathered by these sensors is sent to a cloud-based storage system, where it is preprocessed to guarantee accuracy and consistency. To make sure the dataset is ready for machine learning analysis, data preprocessing involves filtering, cleaning, and standardizing to get rid of irregularities, missing values, and inconsistent entries. Following preprocessing, the salient characteristics of the soil are chosen according to their importance in assessing crop suitability. Machine learning models, such as Support Vector Machines (SVM), Random Forest, and Decision Trees, are then trained using these features.

V. AI-BASED HEALTH CARE PREDICTION

The system's core is an AI-powered predictive model that seeks to help farmers choose the best crops based on current weather and soil conditions. It analyzes important variables including pH, NPK levels, moisture, and temperature using machine learning algorithms and sensor-based data collecting. For precise, location-specific analysis, we combine GPS modules with ESP32/Arduino-based

sensors. External APIs such as OpenWeather and SoilGrids are used to enhance weather and soil data.

For versatility, the system accepts both automated sensor input and manual input. For farmers, a Flutter-built mobile application offers an intuitive user experience.

VI. SYSTEM DESIGN ARCHITECTURE

The system's numerous interrelated parts guarantee precise data gathering, processing, and visualization for useful crop recommendations. Real-time measurements of soil parameters like pH, moisture, temperature, and humidity are made in agricultural fields using an Internet of Things sensor network. These sensors give the system an updated profile of the soil conditions by continuously monitoring and sending data. After being gathered, the data is transferred to the cloud-based storage system, where it is safely kept and made accessible for processing. Scalability is made possible by cloud computing, which also gives farmers access to data via a web-based platform from any location.

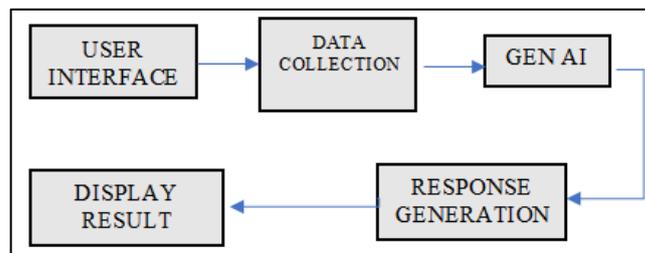


Fig 1 Block Diagram of Crop Recommendation

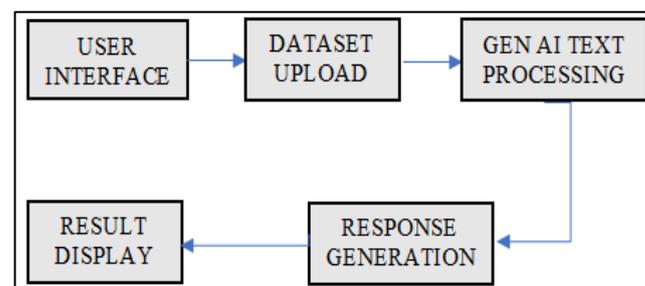


Fig 2 Block Diagram of Gen AI Results

VII. ETHICAL CONSIDERATION OF DATA PRIVACY

The system complies with regulatory compliance guidelines like GDPR and protects farmer data through encrypted storage. Farmers have complete control over how their data is used, guaranteeing openness and moral AI application. Modern precision agriculture places a high priority on data privacy, and the system uses cutting-edge encryption techniques to protect private data. To stop unwanted access, secure authentication techniques like role-based access control (RBAC) and multi-factor authentication (MFA) are used. Furthermore, adherence to national and international agricultural data protection regulations guarantees that farmer information is not exploited. By using data anonymization techniques, the

system protects personal information while enabling the generation of insightful information from massive datasets.

VIII. IMPLEMENTATION & TESTING

The system's accuracy, usability, and efficiency were assessed in agricultural fields with varying soil types. IoT sensors were given to farmers to track the characteristics of the soil, and a machine learning model was used to process the data. Farmers were able to submit real-time soil data and get personalized crop recommendations through the web-based application.

The Random Forest model's 92% crop prediction accuracy was shown in field tests. Comparing the system to conventional methods, farmers reported yield increases of 20–30%. Furthermore, farmers were able to make proactive changes to their farming methods with the help of AI-driven insights and automated alerts. By adjusting irrigation according to soil moisture levels, the system also greatly decreased water waste.

IX. RESULTS

Important metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, and time efficiency were used to assess the system's performance. The results showed that machine learning greatly improves crop selection accuracy, empowering farmers to make well-informed choices based on their unique soil circumstances. Critical agricultural data was easily accessible through the web application, enabling farmers to monitor soil health, forecast crop suitability, and modify cultivation tactics as necessary.

The model's robustness and adaptability were ensured by testing it in a variety of soil types and environmental conditions. With a 92% accuracy rate, the Random Forest model outperformed conventional manual selection methods. Due to the system's ability to optimize crop selections based on data-driven insights, farmers reported yield increases of 20–30%.

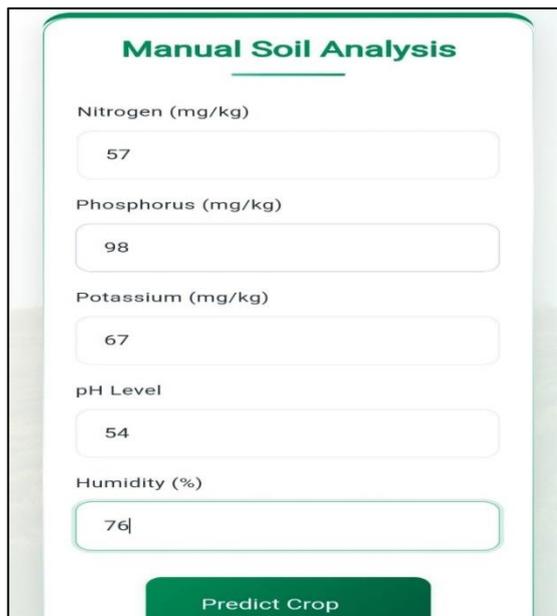


Fig 3 Main Web Page

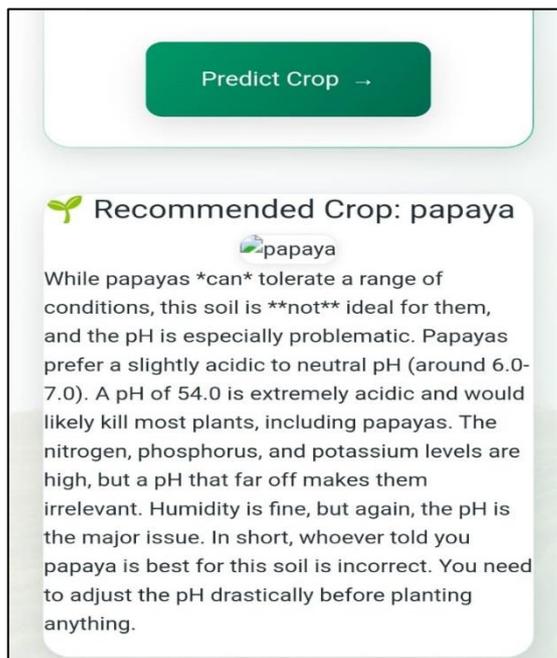


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X. CONCLUSION

This study introduces a data-driven method for crop recommendation that combines machine learning algorithms, an intuitive web application, and IoT-based real-time soil monitoring. By giving farmers the ability to make decisions supported by science, the suggested system increases agricultural sustainability and productivity. Because of its flexibility, the system can be improved continuously, making predictions more accurate over time. To improve the accuracy and resilience of the system, future studies can investigate other predictive factors like the effects of climate change, pest resistance, and water conservation techniques. The study also emphasizes how crucial it is to incorporate government agricultural policies

in order to give farmers better financial assistance and resource distribution.

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