Classification of Underdeveloped Regions in Indonesia Using Decision Tree Method

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Abstract: Underdeveloped regions categorized as the districts where their communities and areas are relatively less developed than other regions on a national scale. There are six criterias used to identify the underdeveloped problems, i.e. the economy, human resources, financial capability, infrastructure, accessibility, and regional characteristics. One of the methods to find the underdeveloped region clssified district was using the Village Potential Data (PODES) issued by BPS. PODES data is regional data emphasized on the description of regional situation. The coverage of PODES in 2014 and the activities were carried out on all administrative areas of village level throughout Indonesia. In this research, classification analysis was using decision tree conducted to the districts/cities in Java. The used data was secondary data obtained from BPS in the form of PODES data. This method provided 100% accuracy in classifying the underdeveloped regions in Java. After obtaining the classification result, we could find out the most significant factor that affect the region to be classified is an underdeveloped region. By knowing that significant indicator, this research could give the recommendation to the government to focus on handling it and developing regions in Indonesia rightly on target.

1 INTRODUCTION

An area categorized underdeveloped region is if the community and its territory are relatively less developed than other regions on a national scale. The backwardness of the area can be measured based on six main criterias. i.e. economy, human resources, infrastructure, regional financial capacity, accessibility, regional and characteristics (Directorate General of Underdeveloped Area Development, 2016). Therefore, it is necessary to have plan and systematic regional development effort thereby the underdeveloped area is ultimately equivalent to other regions in Indonesia that have developed first. Based on the distribution map of underdeveloped regions of KEMENDESA, the number of underdeveloped regions in Indonesia reaches 122 districts. Province with the largest number of underdeveloped regions is Papua where 26 out of 29 regions or 89,66% of the region are underdeveloped regions. This determination is derived from the calculation in the period of RPJMN

2010-2014 handled as many as 183 underdeveloped regions while through acceleration efforts can be carried out as much as 70 underdeveloped regions. However, in 2013, there were 9 New Autonomous Region (DOB) includes in the list of underdeveloped regions, so there are still 122 underdeveloped regions left. At the end of the 2015-2019 RPJMN period, it was targeted that 80 underdeveloped regions will turn into developed regions.

One method to identify the village categorized as underdeveloped region is with the Village Potential Data (Podes) issued by the Central Bureau of Statistics (BPS). PODES data is regional data (spatial) emphasized on the description of regional situation. The coverage of the PODES 2014 data collection area and activities were carried out on all administrative areas of the village level (*desa*, *kelurahan*, *nagari* / *jorong*) throughout Indonesia, including the Transmigration Settlement Unit (UPT) and the Transmigration Settlement Unit (SPT), which is still fostered by the relevant ministries (General of Disadvantaged Areas Development, 2016).

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In 2015, Village Ministries, Development of Underdeveloped Areas and Transmigration through Presidential Regulation No. 12 of 2015 focus on village development. It is interestingly noted because the targeted development is absolutely necessary.

In this study, the classification analysis using decision tree for the regions in Indonesia used secondary data obtained from the Central Bureau of Statistics in the number and percentage of the poor, expenditure per capita, life expectancy, average length of school, literacy rate, village facilities and infrastructure, accessibility, and percentage of disaster and conflict in the village. The area used in this study was limited only in Java Island. It is because about 60% of Indonesia's population living in Java and 58% of Indonesia's Gross Domestic Product is in Java. Therefore, it is assumed that Java Island has been representative to represent the classification of underdeveloped areas in Indonesia. It is known that Java has six regions included in the underdeveloped regions category. In this research, the writer conducted further analysis to the underdeveloped regions to find out the influencing factors of why those areas are classified as underdeveloped area. This research is expected to help the government in determining whether an area is an underdeveloped region or not with a simpler method from the model result compared to the method that has been used by the government. This research is also expected to assist the government in making plans to follow up on the problem of regional underdevelopment so that national development can be on target.

2 LITERATURE REVIEW

One common method of data mining is the decision tree, which transforms a very large fact into a decision tree that represents the rule. It is one of the most popular classification methods because of its easily interpreted by humans. The concept of a decision tree is transforming data into a decision tree model and rules.

The data in the decision tree is usually expressed in tabular form with attributes and records. The attribute states a parameter created as a criterion in the formation of a tree. For example, in determining to play tennis, the considered criteria are weather, wind, and temperature. One of the attributes is an attribute that states the data per-item of data solution called the target attribute. The attribute has values named with the instance, for example the weather attribute has a bright, cloudy, and rainy instances.

Decision tree is the set of IF rules THEN. Each path in a tree is associated with a rule, in which the premise consists of a set of encountered node nodes, and the conclusion of the rule consists of the class connected with the leaf of the path. Figure 1 below shows the decision tree structure.



Figure 1: Decision tree structure.

The first part of this decision tree is the root point, whereas each branch of the decision tree is a division based on test results and the end point (leaf) is the resulting class division. Decision tree has three types of nodes, as follows:

- 1. The root node, ie has no incoming branch and has more than one branch, sometimes has no branch at all. These nodes are usually the most attributes that have the greatest influence on a particular class.
- 2. The internal node, ie has only one incoming branch and has more than one outbound branch.
- 3. Leaf node, which is the end node that has only one incoming branch and no branch at all at the same time marks that the node is a class label.

The initial stage is the root node test. If the root node test produces something, then the testing process is also performed on each branch based on the results of the test. This applies also in the internal node where a new test condition will be applied to the leaf node. In general, the process of a decision tree system is to adopt a top-down search strategy for its search space solution. In the process of classifying unknown samples, the attribute values will be tested on the decision tree by tracking the path from the root point to the end point, then the class will be predicted to occupy the new sample.

Decision tree is widely used in data mining process because it has several advantages as follows:

- 1. It does not cost much when building algorithms.
- 2. Easy to interpret.
- 3. Accommodate the missing data.
- 4. Easily integrate with database system.

- 5. Can find unexpected relationships and data.
- 6. Can use exact / absolute data or continuous data.

CART is one of the algorithms in data exploration techniques, known as decision tree technique. This method was developed by Leo Breiman, Jerome H. Friedman, Richard A. Olshen, and Charles J. Stone around 1980s. CART is a nonparametric statistical method that can describe the relationship between response variables with one or more predictor variables. CART is developed for topic classification analysis, both for categorical and continuous response variables. CART produces a classification tree if the response variable is categorical and produces regression trees if the response variable is continuous. Response variable in this research was categorical scale, so the used method was tree classification.

CART can select the variables and interactions of the most important variables in the determination of results. The main purpose of CART is to obtain an accurate data set as the characteristic of a classifier. Some advantages of CART included are able to produce a more easily interpreted graphic display. According to Breiman et al, (1993), the advantage of CART is the unnecessary assumption of distribution by all variables. In addition, the algorithm used directly can handle the problem of missing data. CART is also not influenced by outlier cholinery, heteroscedasticity data. or error distribution structures that typically affect parametric methods. According to Yohannes and Hoddinott (1999), the weakness of CART is that the end result is not based on probabilistic models.

CART analysis consists of four basic steps. The first step consists of tree building in which a tree built by using recursive splitting of nodes. Each resulting node is assigned a predicted class, based on the distribution of classes in the learning dataset which would occur in that node and the decision cost matrix. The assignment of a predicted class to each node occurs whether or not that node is subsequently split into child nodes. The second step consists of stopping the tree building process. At this point, a "maximal" tree has been produced, which probably greatly overfits the information contained within the learning dataset. The third step consists of tree "pruning," resulting the creation of a sequence of simpler and simpler trees, through the cutting off of increasingly important nodes. The fourth step consists of optimal tree selection in which the tree fits the information in the learning dataset, but does not overfit the information, is selected from among the sequence of pruned trees.

3 METHODOLOGY

The data used was secondary data in the form underdevelop factors of a region obtained from BPS in 2014. Those factors were then used as research variables as many as 10 variables, ie life expectancy (years), mean years of schooling (years), the percentage of population living in poverty (%), per capita expenditure (Rp), literacy rate (%), mean distance to the district capital (km), access to health services (km), percentage the number of villages where the earthquake occurred, percentage the number of villages which has conflict village, and the number of villages with asphalt roads.

- Stages performed in this study were as follows.
- 1. Description of regional backwardness in Java.
- 2. Obtain variables that significantly affect the status of regional backwardness in Java.
- 3. Decision tree analysis using CART.
- 4. Make the classification of regional backwardness regional with decision tree models obtained.

4 **RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

4.1 Underdeveloped Regions in Java Island

The data used in this study was the potential data of villages in 2014 as determinants of the underdevelopment of a village. Based on these data, KEMENDESA has classified the status of regional backwardness in Indonesia. In Java, the status of the underdeveloped region is illustrated by Figure 2 below.



Figure 2: Status of underdeveloped regions.

Figure 2 shows the status of regional backwardness in Java with code 1 indicating the number of underdeveloped regions and code 2 indicating the number of developed regions. Thus,

based on Figure 2, Java is dominated by developed regions. From 119 districts / cities in Java, only 6 of them are classified as underdevelop regions according to KEMENDESA. These regions are described in Table 1 below.

No.	Regency/City	Province
1	Lebak	Banten
2	Pandeglang	Banten
3	Bangkalan	East Java
4	Sampang	East Java
5	Bondowoso	East Java
6	Situbondo	East Java

Table 1: Underdeveloped regions in Java island.

4.2 Feature Importance

Feature Importance is used to determine the variables that affect the formation of decision tree models. In this case, the use of feature importance aims to determine which factors influence the backwardness of a region in Java.

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No.	Variable	Unit
1	Life expectancy	Year
2	Health Service Access	Km
3	Per capita expenditure	Rp
4	Mean years of schooling	Year

Table 2: Significant factors.

The result of analysis showed that there were four factors affecting the regional backwardness, ie life expectancy, health service access, per capita expenditure, and mean years of schooling.

4.3 Decision Tree Analysis Using CART

The formed decision tree has 8 branches with 3 internal nodes and 5 leaves of them being the leaves (end). The index used in this study was entropy. The formed decision tree yields four factors that have significant affect on the status of regional backwardness in Java, including life expectancy (years), average distance of access to health services (in km), per capita expenditure (Rp), and mean years of schooling (years). This is also evidenced by the results of the feature importance that mentions four factors that significantly affect the status of backwardness of a region in Java.

The accuracy of the classification resulting from this decision tree is 100%. In other words, this model can classify as well as the KEMENDESA does with using only four variables.

The decision tree formed yields four factors that have significant affect on the status of backwardness in Java Island, including life expectancy (years), mean distance of access to health services (km), per capita expenditure (Rp) and mean years of schooling (years). This is also evidenced by the results of the feature importance that those factors are significantly influenced the status of regional backwardness in Java.

The first factor that seals the tree was the life expectancy. From 96 samples, there were 13 districts/cities in Java that have a life expectancy score of less or equal to 66.55. The 83 other districts/cities were classified as advanced regions. Next, another factor was the access to health services. From 13 districts/cities in Java, 7 of them had an average distance to health services access less or equal to 7,123 and 6 other districts/cities were classified as advanced regions. The next factor was per capita expenditure. From 7 regions, there were 6 regions that have per capita expenditure less or equal to 7,366,000. Furthermore, the factor that inherent in this decision tree was mean years of schooling. The classification results showed that 6 districts that have mean years of schooling less or equal to 6.57 years were classified as the underdevelop regions.

4.4 Classification Results

The model decision tree obtained earlier, was used to determine the status of districts / cities in Java Island which is visualized with maps.

No.	Regency/City	Province
1	Lebak	Banten
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4	Sampang	East Java
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Table 3: Underdeveloped regions in Java island.

Table 3 displays the result of classification with the model showing that there are six regencies / cities in Java Island classified as underdeveloped region based on the potential data of villages in 2014. Because the accuracy of the classification resulting from this decision tree is 100%, so Table 3 is same as Table 1. The districts classified as underdeveloped regions in Java are Lebak, Pandeglang, Bangkalan, Sampang, Situbondo and Bondowoso. It means that the model built from CART can classify as well as in KEMENDESA.

5 CONCLUSION

Decision tree is an effective method to classify the status of underdeveloped regions because it can give 100% of accuracy. Factors that significantly affect the determination of the classification of regional backwardness are life expectancy, average distance of access to health services, per capita expenditure, and mean years of schooling. The result of classification indicated six underdeveloped districts/cities, ie Lebak, Pandeglang, Bangkalan, Sampang, Bondowoso, and Situbondo.

From this research, it was found out that the most significant factor affecting the determination of the classification of regional backwardness was life expectancy. Based on the explanation, the government should focus to increase the life expectancy on those regions which classifed as the underdeveloped region.

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APPENDIX

Decision Tree Model

