Knowledge Based System for Diagnosing Custard Apple Diseases and Treatment

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Abstract: There is no doubt that custard apple diseases are among the important reasons that destroy the Custard Apple plant and its agricultural crops. This leads to obvious damage to these plants and they become inedible. Discovering these diseases is a good step to provide the appropriate and correct treatment. Determining the treatment with high accuracy depends on the method used to correctly diagnose the disease, expert systems can greatly help in avoiding damage to these plants. The expert system correctly diagnoses Custard Apple disease to make it easier for farmers to find the right treatment based on the appropriate diagnosis. Objectives: A specialized syllable language system was established for the diagnosis of Custard Apple plant disease.

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INTRODUCTION

Custard Apple crop can be grown in moderate soil types that are well cultivated almost. Providing organic materials such as manure can lead to an increase in the yield and success of the crop at a high rate, and it may work to reduce the risks and problems that may be the cause of crop damage. Custard Apple and the following vegetables, such as cucumbers, peppers, cabbage and onions, cannot be grown on the same land more than two or three times a year. On the positive side, a crop or a crop that precedes the Custard Apple must be a type of herbs to restructure the land, such as the molokhia crop, and the diversity of cultivation is important for its soil, meaning that the Custard Apple crop cannot be planted periodically because the soil is not damaged and the multiplicity of diseases that result from this crop and to avoid diseases resulting from the soil Which may attack the Custard Apple crop. The cultivation of the Custard Apple crop is very important and the approved plants must be planted whenever possible.

Expert System

An expert system has been established that diagnoses Custard Apple diseases. The expert system helps farmers and facilitates the process of discovering diseases in a clear and good manner. The system also diagnoses Custard Apple diseases by showing a list of symptoms related to Custard Apple diseases. The expert system was programmed using the CLIPS language. The expert system diagnoses diseases related to Custard Apple diseases through a system that consists of some menus that facilitate its use by the user.

At first, a user interface will appear that contains four tasks. If the user clicks on the "Start" icon, the user will see an interface that contains a list of all the symptoms. The user will choose all the symptoms related to the disease he wants.

Figure 1: user interface
Then appear list about destination diagnosis to show the symptoms for the user to choose the symptoms that will be treatment.

![Symptom list](image1.png)

**Figure 2**: Symptom list

Then appear list about destination analyze to show the symptoms for the user to show the Favorable Conditions and Survival and spread.

![Diagnosis of the disease](image2.png)

**Figure 3**: Diagnosis of the disease

**LITERATURE REVIEW**:

**Previous Studies**

There are many expert systems developed in agriculture [2-25] like: papaya plant disease diagnosis, grapes diagnosis and treatment, onion rule based system for disorders diagnosis and treatment, diagnosing tobacco diseases, banana knowledge based system diagnosis and treatment, spinach expert system: diseases and symptoms, knowledge based system for apple problems using clips, diagnosing banana disorders, black pepper expert system, knowledge based system for diagnosing guava problems, an expert system for citrus diseases diagnosis, expert system for sesame diseases diagnosis, expert system for the diagnosis of mango diseases, expert system for diagnosing sugarcane diseases, expert system for the diagnosis of wheat diseases, coffee
diseases, diagnosing and treating potatoes problems, safflower disease diagnosis and treatment, castor diseases and diagnosis, coconut diseases diagnosis, plant disease diagnosis, and apple trees. There are many expert systems implemented for educations [26-28], like: guiding freshman students in selecting a major in Al-Azhar University, selecting exploratory factor analysis procedures, calculating inheritance in Islam. In general health [29-65] like: anemia expert system diagnosis, diagnosing coronavirus (covid-19), short-term abdominal pain (stomach pain) diagnosis and treatment, diagnosing breast cancer, diagnosing skin cancer, ankle problems, hip problems, hair loss diagnosis, chest pain in infants and children, diagnosis of dengue disease, high blood pressure, ankle diseases, thyroid problems, problems of teeth and gums, diagnosing cough problem, low back pain, rickets diagnoses and treatment, neck pain diagnosis, diagnosing facial-swelling, throat problems, kidney, depression diagnosis, diabetes diagnosis, polyuria diagnosis, endocrine diagnosis and treatments, arthritis diseases diagnosis, hepatitis, diagnosis of seventh nerve inflammation (bell’s palsy) disease, knee problems diagnosis, and uveitis disease diagnosis. In control [69-70], like: modeling and controlling smart traffic light system. In maintenance [66-68], like: photo copier maintenance, desktop pc troubleshooting, and diagnosing wireless connection problems.

Comments about previous studies

Although, there are many expert systems in agriculture field, there are no expert system for diagnosing Custard Apple diseases and treatment. That is why we are proposing expert system for diagnosing and treating Custard Apple problems.

KNOWLEDGE REPRESENTATION

There six diseases to be diagnosed that are represented using CLIPS expert system language [1]:

1. **Anthracnose**: Anthracnose is a term used to loosely describe a group of related fungal diseases that typically cause dark lesions on leaves. In severe cases it may also cause sunken lesions and cankers on twigs and stems.

   ![Figure 4: Anthracnose](image)

2. **Leaf spot**: Small yellowish spots first appear along the leaf margins, which gradually enlarge and turn into brownish patches with concentric rings. **Severe infection leads to drying and defoliation.**

   ![Figure 5: Leaf spot disease](image)

3. **Diplodia rot**: Diseased fruits show symptoms of purplish to black spots or blotches confined to the surface of the fruit and eventually covered with white mycelia and black pycnidia. Diplodia rot is distinguished by its dark internal discolouration and the extensive corky rotting produces.
4. **Black canker**: Infection begins at blossom-end of the fruit and later spreads on entire fruit surface, affected fruits shrivel and they may cling to the tree or fall down. Necrotic spots of 2-10 mm in diameter appear on unripe fruits which turn into dark brown to black spots.

5. **Spiral nematode and Stunt nematode**: Nematodes molt four times during each life cycle with a molt occurring at the end of each larval stage. Therefore, molts separate the first and second larval stages, the second and third larval stages, the third and fourth larval stages, and also the fourth larval stages and immature adults. The 5th stage larva grows to the limit of its new cuticle, at the same time developing into a sexually mature adult male or female.

6. **IPM for Custard Apple**: Mealy bugs harbor in the soil around the tree. They ascend on trees on having appropriate environment and infest developing fruits. Wrap the plastic bend around the tree trunk above 1 to 1.5 feet above the ground level and apply the grease. Cover the both ends of the bend with cow dung.

**Conclusion:**

Finally, an expert system was established that diagnoses Custard Apple diseases, and these six diseases are Anthracnose, Leaf spot, Diplodia rot, Black canker, Spiral nematode and Stunt nematode, IPM for Custard Apple. This system works on the diagnoses of these diseases in the right and appropriate way that helps farmers to find the appropriate treatment for these diseases.