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Class Imbalance problems often occur in the classification process, the existence of these problems is characterized by the tendency of a class to have instances that are much larger than other classes. This problem certainly causes a tendency towards low accuracy in minority classes with smaller number of instances and also causes important information on minority classes not to be obtained. Various methods have been applied to overcome the problem of the imbalance class. One of them is the Hybrid Approach Redefinition method which is one of the Hybrid Ensembles methods. The tendency to pay attention to the performance classifier, has led to an understanding of the importance of selecting an instance that will be used as a classifier. In the classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition method classifier selection is done randomly using the Random Under Sampling approach, and it is interesting to study how performance is obtained if the sampling process is based on Cluster-Based by selecting existing instances. The purpose of this study is to apply the Hybrid Approach Redefinition method with Cluster-Based Instance Selection (CBIS) approach so that it can obtain a better performance classifier. The results showed that Hybrid Approach Redefinition with cluster-based instance selection gave better results on the number of classifiers, data diversity, and performance classifiers compared to classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition.

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## 1. Introduction

Class Imbalance problems are characterized by the presence of a class with a number of instances that are much smaller (minority class) and other classes with a much larger number of instances (majority class). This problem is a major problem in the classification process and has attracted the attention of researchers in the fields of data mining and machine learning[1]. If we discuss the problem of an imbalance class, the main consequence is low accuracy in minority classes, namely a class with a number of instances that are much smaller than majority classes, which is a class with a much larger number of instances[2]. Besides that, it should be noted that the classification process is carried out assuming that the distribution of instances in each class is the same, so if there is a problem of the imbalance class it will result in important information in a minority class with a much smaller number of instances that cannot be obtained[3].

Research on class imbalance problems has always been an interesting topic, especially if it is related to the problem of classification and machine learning which is very interesting to the attention of many researchers at this time. One method that draws the attention of researchers in

overcoming the problem of this imbalance class is the hybrid approach[4]. Another approach that is widely used is data driven and algorithm driven[5]. The data driven and algorithm driven approach to handling imbalance classes experiences the main issue of losing important information and training data overfit. As for the hybrid ensembles the main issue is training time[6]. To reduce training time, the hybrid ensembles method in principle adopts the sampling principle which is combined with boosting[7][8]. However, there are other aspects that need to be considered in handling the imbalance class, which is related to the number of classifier and data diversity[9]. Another Hybrid Ensembles method, Hybrid Approach Redefinition, is one of the Hybrid Ensembles approaches based on sampling and boosting[10]. This method has been tested quite well in handling imbalance classes with a good number of classifiers and data diversity. However, what needs to be considered is the performance classifier, especially when faced with a dataset with a large number of attributes[11].

Basically the classification is based on the selection and placement of existing instances based on a number of existing classifiers[12]. This situation is the main thing that needs to be considered when dealing with the imbalance class problem in a dataset with a large number of attributes. Therefore, developing a Cluster-Based Instance Selection (CBIS) approach which is an Under Sampling method which is stated to be able to help well in the sampling process when there is a dataset with a large number of attributes[13]. The characteristics of clustering analysis with instance selection will combine and complement each other in the Under Sampling process for majority classes. The performance classifier commonly used in research on the imbalance class is the measurement of Sensitivity, Specificity, F-Measure, and G-Mean[14]. Based on a number of previous studies, this study will discuss the application of the Hybrid Approach Redefinition method with the Cluster-Based Instance Selection (CBIS) approach in handling imbalance class problems so that a better performance classifier can be obtained, especially when compared to Hybrid Approach Redefinition classic.

The rest of the paper is structured as follows. Section II presents the research method. Section III provides experimental process using Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection and Hybrid Approach Redefinition Classic. The experimental process and dataset used are presented in Section IV with the results. Finally, Section V concludes the paper and gives recommendations for future works.

## 2. Related Works

Sampling Method is one of the approaches in handling class imbalance. This process is done by generating a new dataset from a dataset that has a imbalance class where the new dataset has a better distribution balance between majority and minority classes[15]. In general, the sampling method can be divided into three groups: Under Sampling, Over Sampling, and Hybrid Methods. The Under Sampling method focuses on reducing samples from Majority Class, while the Over Sampling method focuses on adding samples from Minority Class[6]. In Under Sampling, the instance selection process will get better results compared to ones trained using the original dataset[16]. In connection with the selection of samples in Under Sampling, it is known that cluster-based sample selection will get better results than random sample selection[17]. Another problem arises when handling two-class imbalance, with Under Sampling which has a primary focus on the Majority Class, causing the instance selection process to experience constraints because basically the selection instance is designed to distinguish groups of samples in multiclass datasets, it is difficult to apply to samples that only exist in one class, namely majority class[18]. Cluster-Based Instance Selection (CBIS) approach is a combination of the Under Sampling method with the Instance Selection where the process instance selection will increase the ability of Under Sampling to Majority Class[13].

However, if handling imbalance classes only focus on the Majority Class, it will result in poor data diversity. Whereas handling class imbalance is expected to not only use a small number of classifiers but also obtain good data diversity[9]. Hybrid Approach Redefinition (HAR) Method offers handling class imbalance by using a small number of classifiers and good data diversity because the focus of handling is not only on the majority class but also on the minority class[10]. The Cluster-Based Instance Selection method is very interesting to be integrated in the Hybrid Approach Redefinition (HAR) Method. Especially in the process of Different Contribution

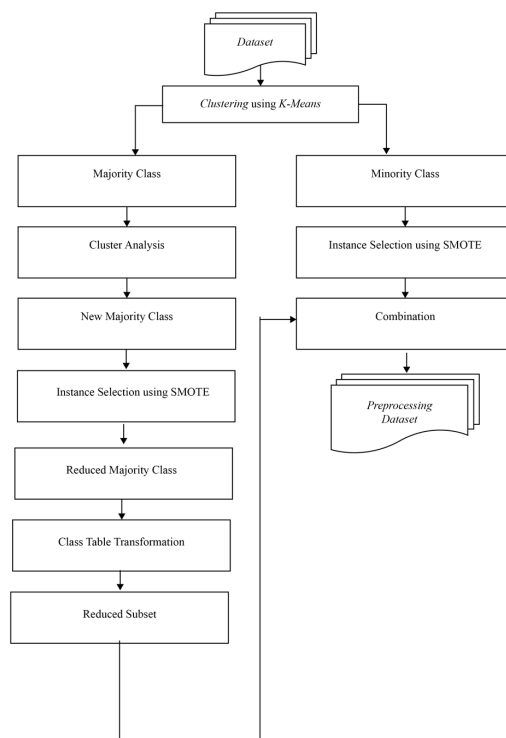
Sampling using the Biased Support Vector Machine in the Majority Class[7]. Hybrid Approach Redefinition (HAR) Method with Cluster-Based Instance Selection is expected to obtain a smaller number of classifier and better data diversity compared to the Classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition (HAR) Method.

### 3. Method

The study was conducted to test the number of classifiers, data diversity, and performance classifier. Performance classifiers are measured based on sensitivity, specificity, F-Measure, and G-Means. In this study a comparison between Hybrid Approach Redefinition and Cluster-Based Instance Selection (CBIS) will be carried out with classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition. The process will begin with preprocessing stages, processing stages, and evaluation stages. The experimental process in this study will be carried out using datasets sourced from the KEEL Dataset Repository using datasets that have a large number of attributes[19].

#### 3.1. Preprocessing Stage

This preprocessing stage will carry out the process of selecting instances that will be used as classifiers using the Cluster-Based Instance Selection (CBIS) method and the SMOTEBoost Method. There is a slight difference with Hybrid Approach Redefinition classic which uses Random Under Sampling and SMOTEBoost methods. The preprocessing stages in the Hybrid Approach Redefinition with CBIS can be seen in Figure 1.

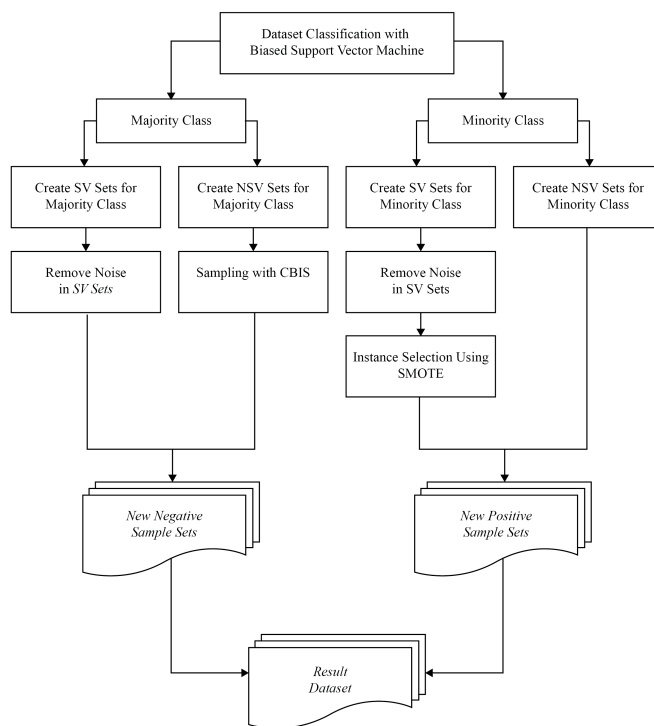


**Fig. 1.** Preprocessing Stage

In Figure 1 it can be seen that, if the clustering results indicate the existence of an imbalance class problem, which is characterized by the existence of certain classes with a large number of instances (majority class) and the presence of classes with a small number of instances (minority class). In majority classes a clustering analysis and instance selection process will be carried out. Clustering analysis will be conducted to group instances in majority classes where each instance belongs to a specific cluster, which is called a subclass of majority class. Then, every instance that exists will associate with a new class label, so that a new majority class will be generated. The next stage will be the process of instance selection using SMOTEBoost, where this process is intended to measure the size of the classifier to produce reduced majority class. Then the results will be transformed and recombined into reduced subset of majority class based on class label information. While the Minority class will undergo a cluster analysis stage for grouping instances that exist in minority classes, and then will undergo the process of instance selection and the results will be combined with reduced subset of majority class to become a preprocessing dataset.

### 3.2. Processing Stage

The processing stage will be carried out using Biased Support Vector Machine. The Biased Support Vector Machine process will produce Support Vector Sets (SV Sets) and Non Support Vector Sets (NSV Sets) for both majority class and minority class. For NSV Sets in Majority Class under sampling process will be carried out using Cluster-Based Instance Selection while for SV Sets in Majority Class, instance selection will be processed using SMOTEBoost. The processing stages can be seen in Figure 2.

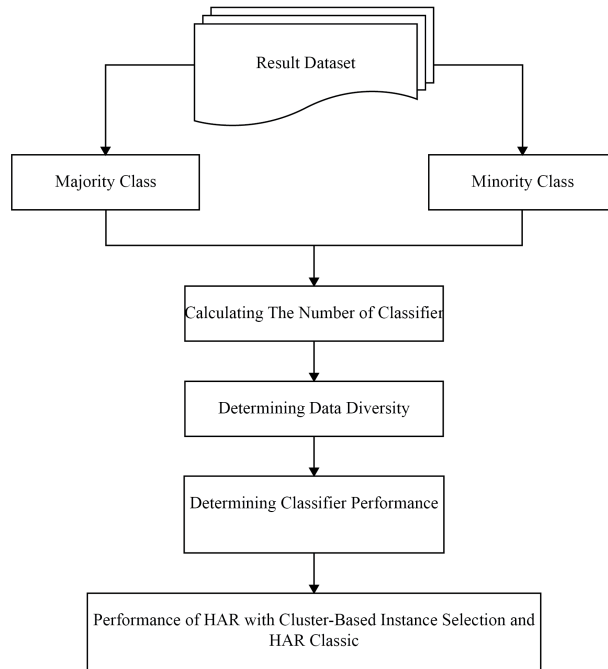


**Fig. 2.** Processing Stage

In Figure 2 it can be seen that preprocessing datasets originating from preprocessing stages will be classified using Biased Support Vector Machine to SV Sets and NSV Sets for Majority Class and Minority Class. In the next process the noise in the SV Sets Majority Class will be removed and then combined with the NSV Sets Majority Class which has undergone a sampling process using CBIS to become New Negative Sample Sets. Whereas NSV Sets in the minority class will be combined together with SV Sets in the majority class whose number has been removed and has undergone an instance selection process by using SMOTEBoost to become New Positive Sample Sets. Both New Negative Sample Sets and New Positive Sample Sets will be the Result dataset.

### 3.3. Evaluation Stage

The evaluation stage is intended to compare the results obtained between Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection (CBIS) and classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition. Evaluation is done by looking at a number of parameters such as the number of classifiers, diversity data, and performance classifier. The evaluation stages can be seen in Figure 3.



**Fig. 3.** Evaluation Stage

Based on Figure 3, it can be seen that the processing dataset will measure the number of classifiers, data diversity, and performance classifier. The results are expected to illustrate the performance of the results of handling the class imbalance between the results obtained by the Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection compare with classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition.

### 3.4. Under Sampling with Cluster-Based Instance Selection

The pseudocode of the Under Sampling process with Cluster-Based Instance Selection is as follows[13].

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1: Let  $S = \text{Majority Class}$ 
2: Delete  $ncol(S)$  as the class label of  $S$ 
3: Execute  $S$  to obtain the clustering list named  $AP$ 
4: Allocate each record of  $S$  to Size ( $AP$ )Clusters
5: For ( $i = 1; i \leq \text{size}(AP); i++$ )
6: {
7:   For ( $j = 1; j \leq \text{size}(AP[i]); j++$ )
8:   {
9:     Value =  $AP[i][j]$ 
10:     $S[\text{Value}, ncol(S)] = i$ 
11:  }
12: }
13: Performance Instance Selection Over  $S$  to Produce Subsets  $S_{Noisy}$  and  $S_{NonNoisy}$ 
14: Replace  $ncol(S)$  of all records in  $S_{nonnoisy}$  with the Majority Class
15: Let  $RR = nrow(S_{Noisy})/nrow(S)$ 
16: Return  $S_{Noisy}$  and  $RR$ 

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In the above pseudocode, it can be seen that if there are problems with imbalance class, based on the CBIS method, cluster analysis and division will be carried out into several clusters in the majority class. Where will be given a specific class label such as a class ID for each cluster that exists. Then the next step is to determine the instance of the majority class into the existing cluster. Then after that, an instance selection process will be carried out using the SMOTEBoost method. The process of this instance selection will produce an instance that has the best closeness with majority class. After going through the process, a reduced subset which will then undergo a noisy removal process produces  $S_{Nonnoisy}$  which is an instance selected as majority class.

### 3.5. Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection

The pseudocode of the Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection[20][13][21].

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1: Input: Total Size  $totalSize$ , Number of Majority  $S_N$ , Number of Minority  $S_P$ 
2:  $totalSize \leftarrow |S|$ 
3:  $S_N = \{(x_i, y_i) \in S | y_i = -1\}$ 
4:  $S_P = \{(x_i, y_i) \in S | y_i = +1\}$ 
5:  $majoritySize \leftarrow |S_N|$ 
6:  $minoritySize \leftarrow |S_P|$ 
7: Preprocessing Stage:
8: Execute  $S_N$  to obtain the clustering list named  $AP$ 
9: Allocate each record of  $S_N$  to Size ( $AP$ )Clusters
10: For ( $i = 1; i \leq \text{size}(AP); i++$ )
11: {

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12: For ( $j = 1; j \leq \text{size}(AP[i]); j++$ )
13: {
14:   Value = AP[i][j]
15:   S[Value, ncol(S)] = i
16: }
17: }
18:  $k = \text{Number of Nearest Neighbors}$ 
19: numattrs = number of attributes
20: Sample[ ][ ]: Minority Class Sample
21: DMajorityreduced = Array of Majority
22: DMinority = Array of Minority
23: For ( $i = 1; i \leq \text{majoritySize}; i++$ )
24: {
25:   Compute  $k$  nearest neighbors
26:   Populate ( $N, i, \text{nnarray}$ )
27: }
28: While  $N \neq 0$  do
29: {
30:   for ( $i = 1; i \leq \text{numattrs}; i++$ )
31:   {
32:     dif[i] = sample[nnarray[i][attr]] - sample[i][attr]
33:   }
34: }
35: For ( $i = 1; i \leq \text{majoritySize}; i++$ )
36: {
37:   Sort sample[i][attr] according to dif[i]
38: }
39: majoritySizereduced = random number 1 to majoritySize
40: For ( $i = 1; i \leq \text{majoritySize}; i++$ )
41: {
42:   if  $i \leq \text{majoritySize}_{reduced}$ 
43:     DMajorityreduced[i][attr] = sample[i][attr]
44:   else
45:     DMinority[i][attr] = sample[i][attr]
46:   Combine DMajorityreduced with DMinority, become  $D'$ 
47: Processing Stage:
48:  $T = \text{number of Iteration}$ 
49: for( $i = 1; i \leq T; i++$ )
50: {
51:   Classifying  $D'$  using B-SVM

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52: Identifying Majority Class
53: Identifying Minority Class
54: While (!endOfMajorityClass) do
55: {
56:   NewSVSets  $\leftarrow$  Deleting Noise of SVSets
57:   NewNSVSets  $\leftarrow$  Sampling NSVSets using CBIS
58: }
59: While (!endOfMinorityClass) do
60: {
61:   NewSVSets  $\leftarrow$  Deleting Noise of SVSets and Instance Selection using SMOTE
62: }
63: }
64: Result Dataset

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In the pseudocode, it can be seen that if the classification results indicate a class imbalance problem, the preprocessing stage begins with CBIS which performs cluster analysis where at this stage majority classes will be divided into a number of specific clusters and each existing instance is inserted into a particular cluster specific, so that each instance will be associated with a particular label class. The formation of the New Majority Class will be based on the existing class label information. The next step is to process an instance selection using SMOTE which will be done based on the generation of random numbers to move a number of instances to the majority class to minority class. This is based on the level of closeness of the existing instance to minority class. After this process is done, the results will be combined with the existing minority class to form a preprocessing dataset denoted by  $D'$ . The next process will go into the processing stage, which at this stage will involve the Biased Support Vector Machine method which will group both majority and minority classes into 2 (two) groups, namely: SV Sets and NSV Sets. First, noise cleaning will be done on the SV Sets Majority Class and NSV Minority Class Sets. The next step is NSV Sets for majority classes to undergo a CBIS sampling process, which is then followed by the process of instance selection on the NSV Minority Class by using SMOTEBoost. This process will produce a New Majority Class and New Minority Class, which will then be combined to form the Result dataset.

### 3.6. Data Diversity

Data diversity is intended to measure the performance of a classifier, especially in situations where misclassification occurs. Misclassification is an unavoidable thing in handling imbalance classes. However, on the other hand a small amount of misclassification is not necessarily good, because when faced with a situation where the number of instances in a minority class is very small, it is easy to group all instances into majority classes. Therefore, good diversity data shows that the misclassification does not only occur in one class and if there is misclassification it should be able to be covered by merging with another classifier[22][23].

Suppose that  $Z = \{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$  which is a dataset that is in the decision region  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , so that  $z_j \in \mathcal{R}^n$  it is an instance involved in the classification problem. Then the output of the classifier  $D_i$  as a classifier paired comparison matrix (relationship pairwise classifier) can be seen in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Relationship Pairwise Classifier Matrix

	<b><math>D_k</math> Correct (1)</b>	<b><math>D_k</math> Wrong (0)</b>
<b><math>D_i</math> Correct (1)</b>	$N^{11}$	$N^{10}$
<b><math>D_i</math> Wrong (0)</b>	$N^{01}$	$N^{00}$

Diversity data can be calculated using Q-Statistics[24].

$$Q_{i,k} = \frac{N^{11}N^{00} - N^{01}N^{10}}{N^{11}N^{00} + N^{01}N^{10}} \quad (1)$$

### 3.7. Classifier Performance

On Binary Class issues, positive samples refer to minority class and negative samples refer to majority class. For the general classification results the classification results can be grouped into 4 (four) groups, namely: True Positive (TP), True Negative (TN), False Positive (FP), and False Negative (FN) and can be presented in the Confusion Matrix as can be seen in Table 2 [25].

**Table 2.** Confusion Matrix for A Binary Class Problem

		Predicted (Classified) as	
		Positive	Class Negative
Actually (Really is)	Positive Samples	True Positive (TP)	False Negative (FN)
	Negative Samples	False Positive (FP)	True Negative (TN)

For the measurement of performance classifier based on the confusion matrix which can be seen in Table 2., the measurement is done based on several things as follows.

1. True Positive (TP) states the number of positive samples that are classified correctly as positive.
2. True Negative (TN) states the number of negative samples that are classified correctly as negative.
3. False Positive (FP) states the number of negative samples are classified incorrectly as positive.
4. False Negative (FN) states the amount of positive samples which are classified incorrectly as negative.

The classifier performance that can be measured based on the confusion matrix is as follows[25].

#### 1. Sensitivity

Sensitivity states the ability of the classifier to correctly identify positive samples. The best value for sensitivity is 1 and the lowest value is 0. The sensitivity can be measured using Equation 2.

$$Sensitivity = \frac{TP}{TP+FN} \quad (2)$$

#### 2. Specificity

Specificity states the ability of the classifier to correctly identify the negative sample. The best value for specificity is 1 and the lowest value is 0. The specificity can be measured using Equation 3.

$$Specificity = \frac{TN}{TN+FP} \quad (3)$$

#### 3. F-Measure

The term F-Measure usually refers to the harmonious average value between Precision and Recall. Precision states how well the classifier avoids the misclassification of the negative class as a positive class and recall states how well the classifier classifies the positive class.

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP+FP} \quad (4)$$

$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP+FN} \quad (5)$$

$$F-Measure = \frac{2RP}{R+P} \quad (6)$$

#### 4. G-Means

G-Mean states on the ability of the classifier to achieve the balance of the accuracy of the classification on positive samples and negative samples.

$$G\text{-Mean} = \sqrt{\text{Sensitivity} \cdot \text{Specificity}} \quad (7)$$

### 4. Result and Discussion

#### 4.1. Dataset Description

The dataset used in this research are Page-Blocks, Vowel, and Vehicle1. The description about dataset can be seen in Table 3.

**Table 3.** Dataset Description

Dataset	#Ex	#Atts	(%Min;%Max)	IR
Page-Blocks	5472	10	(10.23,89.77)	8.77
Vowel	988	13	(9.01,90.99)	10.10
Vehicle1	846	18	(28.37,71.63)	2.52

In Table 3 it can be seen that the dataset selected is a dataset with a large number of attributes. In general, the datasets represent the number of instances that vary: small, medium and large and also with small, medium and large imbalance ratios.

#### 4.2. Testing

Tests will be conducted to obtain a performance picture of the Hybrid Approach Redefinition method with Cluster-Based Instance Selection and Classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition, especially in terms of the number of classifiers, diversity data, and also the performance classifier. The test will be carried out 10 times for each method. The test results for the number of classifier and diversity data can be seen in Table 4.

**Table 4.** Testing Result for Number of Classifier and Data Diversity of Each Method

Dataset	Hybrid Approach Redefinition		Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection	
	Number of Classifier	Data Diversity	Number of Classifier	Data Diversity
Page-Blocks	517.1	0.916	512	0.878
Vowel	214.1	0.264	207.2	0.259
Vehicle1	207.1	0.615	206	0.595

Based on Table 4, it can be seen that for the number of classifier and data diversity, Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection can provide better results compared to the classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition. However, if it is seen that diversity data for Page-Blocks in both methods is still not good. Classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition gives results of 0.916 and Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection giving a result of 0.878. Even though Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection still provides better results compared to Hybrid Approach Redefinition, the results obtained should be better. However, for a small number of instances the data diversity results are quite good.

The measurement results for the performance classifier measured based on sensitivity, specificity, F-Measure, and G-Mean can be seen in Table 5.

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**Table 5.** Testing Result for Sensitivity, Specificity, F-Measure, and G-Mean of Each Method

Dataset	Hybrid Approach Redefinition				Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection			
	Sensitivity	Specificity	F-Measure	G-Mean	Sensitivity	Specificity	F-Measure	G-Mean
Page-Blocks	0.521	0.918	0.542	0.691	0.542	0.921	0.567	0.71
Vowel	0.537	0.763	0.632	0.64	0.529	0.771	0.651	0.64
Vehicle1	0.467	0.496	0.64	0.481	0.471	0.492	0.701	0.481

In Table 5 it can be seen that in general the results of performance classifier measurements show that Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection gives better results compared to classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition. Measurements for sensitivity, specificity, and F-Measure tend to show Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection to give better results. Whereas for the G-Mean the results obtained are not much different and for the Dataset and Vehicle1 the results given by the two methods are the same. The measurement for G-Mean given by both methods is good and this means that the balance of predictive accuracy for majority classes and minority classes is quite good.

#### 4.3. Discussion

Based on a series of tests that in terms of the number of classifiers that Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection can reduce the number of classifiers, but not too much different. This is because classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition in general has been able to overcome the problem of the imbalance class with a very good number of classifiers. The sampling process in classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition that uses Random Under Sampling gives only slightly worse results than under sampling using Cluster-Based Instance Selection.

However, what needs to be paid attention to is the data diversity, there is a tendency that the two methods have not been very effective in the dataset with a large number of instances. This means that there is a tendency for misclassification to occur in only one classifier group. This might be overcome by selecting a more appropriate instance selection method. Where based on research from Soleymani et al[26]. that SMOTEBoost does have a tendency to have weaknesses in providing good data diversity.

The measurement results for sensitivity, specificity, F-Measure, and G-Mean given are very good. So there is no concern that there is a high number of misclassification in the minority class and majority class. A good accuracy balance is shown in the G-Mean value which tends to be the same in the Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection and Classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition.

Through the results of this study it can be obtained that the Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection provides better results compared to the classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition, both for the number of classifiers, diversity data, and performance classifiers. Future research is expected to focus on the problem of data diversity, especially for datasets with large number of instances.

#### 5. Conclusion

The study implemented Hybrid Approach Redefinition with Cluster-Based Instance Selection in handling class imbalance problem. The results showed that Hybrid Approach Redefinition with cluster-based instance selection gave better results on the number of classifiers, data diversity, and performance classifiers compared to classic Hybrid Approach Redefinition. This research discusses handling class imbalance for two-class imbalance problems and future research can develop this method so that it can handle Multi-class imbalance problems.

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1. Correction according to comments from Reviewer M

<b>No</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Actions</b>
1	Abstract must have 2-3 lines about implications of the study.	The implications of the study have been clarified by adding an explanation in the 8th sentence of the abstract
2	Author must cite more papers in related work	Citations of several papers have been added in the related works section. This can be seen in reference [25-28]
3	Algorithm is written well but author must use legitimate style of writing algorithm. please see the springer and IEEE journal paper for writing algorithm.	Algorithm writing is in accordance with IEEE style
4	If possible author must make use of graphs to understand the paper better to the readers.	Figure 1 has been added which explains the stages of the research

2. Correction according to comments from Reviewer N

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1	Explain equation 1 and 6.	All equations in this study have been added with explanations.

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<b>No</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Actions</b>
1	Specify what authors mean by "number of classifiers." A reference [13] is given for the same; However, it does not specify anything about the " number of classifiers."	An explanation of the number of classifiers has been added in the 2nd Paragraph in related works
2	Write expanded form of IR	The Imbalance Ratio (IR) has been explained in Section 3.6
3	Specify the train-test partitioning, i.e., whether a k-fold or a random train test partitioning is used.	K Fold-Cross Validation has been explained in section 4.2 testing
4	Cite some recent articles, i.e., of the year 2021, for example N. K. Mishra and P. K. Singh, "Feature construction and smote-based imbalance handling for multi-label learning," Information Sciences, 563, Pages 342-357, 2021.	References in the form of articles for 2021 have been added and can be seen in reference numbers [20], [21], [25], and [26].
5	Explain the similarity and differences of the proposed method with the reference [17]	Differences in research are not written in the article section because research [17] focuses on accuracy while this study focuses on number of classifiers, data diversity, and performance classifiers.

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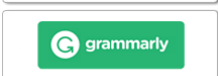
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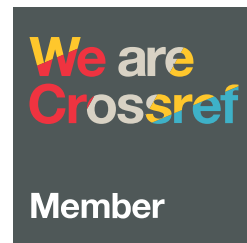
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