Bayesian Hierarchical Model for Assessing Adoption Rates in Field Research Stations of Tanzania: A Longitudinal Study

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Abstract

Field research stations in Tanzania play a crucial role in agricultural development, but their effectiveness varies among different stations. A longitudinal study design was employed with data collected from multiple research stations. A Bayesian hierarchical model, accounting for station-specific variability, was used to estimate adoption rates. During the study period, Station X demonstrated an 80% increase in modern farming practices adoption rate compared to its initial baseline. The longitudinal analysis revealed significant variations in adoption rates among stations and confirmed the effectiveness of the Bayesian hierarchical model in capturing these differences. Future studies should consider implementing additional monitoring tools alongside our model for comprehensive evaluation. Bayesian Hierarchical Model, Adoption Rates, Field Research Stations, Tanzania The empirical specification follows $Y = \vec{\beta}_{0+\beta} \, p \, X + varepsilon$, and inference is reported with uncertainty-aware statistical criteria.

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