



# CS 760: Machine Learning

## **Naïve Bayes**

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# Announcements

- HW3 due next Monday (Feb 27)
- **Midterm**
  - Will be in-person
  - Thursday 9th March at 7.30pm
  - Room B130 Van Vleck Hall
- **Some outstanding issues from class**
  - Precision-recall curve
  - Objective for logistic regression

# Outline

- **Generative and Discriminative Models**
  - Comparison, MAP vs MLE
- **Naïve Bayes**
  - Motivation, Training, Inference, Smoothing
- **Naïve Bayes Examples**
  - Bernoulli, Multiclass, Gaussian

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# Supervised Learning: Review

## Problem setting

- Set of possible instances
- Unknown *target function*
- Set of *models* (a.k.a. *hypotheses*)

 $\mathcal{X}$  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  $\mathcal{H} = \{h \mid h : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}\}$ 

## Get

- Training set of instances for unknown target function  $f$ ,

$$(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(n)}, y^{(n)})$$

**Goal:** model  $h$  that best approximates  $f$

# Discriminative Models

- **Idea:** hypothesis  $h$  directly predicts the label (given features)

- $y = h(x)$  or  $p(y|x) = h(x)$

- We saw this already in linear regression & logistic regression

- Linear regression:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d \theta_i x_i$$

- Logistic regression:

$$P_{\theta}(y = 1|x) = \sigma(\theta^T x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\theta^T x)}$$

# Generative Models

- (Typically) probabilistic model which states how the data was **generated**.

$h(x,y) = p(x,y)$  or  $h(x) = p(x)$  ←————— **Note: supervised or unsupervised**

- Select a hypothesis via MLE, MAP etc.
  - Use Bayes' rule to determine predictions
- In discriminative probabilistic models, we model how the labels  $y$  were generated conditioned on the features  $x$ . We do not usually model  $p(x)$ .

# Probabilistic models: Generative vs Discriminative

<b>Generative models</b>	<b>Discriminative models</b>
Can be used for both supervised and unsupervised learning	Typically used only for supervised learning.
Specifies a probabilistic model for how data was generated. $p(X)$ for supervised learning, $p(X, Y)$ for unsupervised learning.	Specifies a probabilistic model for how the labels were generated conditioned on the features for supervised learning, i.e $p(Y X)$ .
In supervised learning, we may model <i>(i)</i> $p(X, Y)$ jointly, <i>(ii)</i> $p(Y)$ first and then $p(X Y)$ , or <i>(iii)</i> $p(X)$ first and then $p(Y X)$ . <i>In my experience (ii) is most common.</i>	In supervised learning, we always model $p(Y X)$
Use MLE, MAP etc to estimate model parameters.	



# Review: Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

- For some set of data, find the parameters that maximize the likelihood / log-likelihood

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta; X)$$

- Example: suppose we have  $n$  samples from a Bernoulli distribution

$$P_{\theta}(X = x) = \begin{cases} \theta & x = 1 \\ 1 - \theta & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Then, if  $k$  of the  $n$  samples are **1**

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta; X) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X = x_i) = \theta^k (1 - \theta)^{n-k} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} = \frac{k}{n}$$

# MLE Example (do at home)

- For some set of data, find the parameters that maximize the likelihood / log-likelihood
- Example: exponential distribution
  - pdf of Exponential( $\lambda$ ):  $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$
  - Suppose  $X_i \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N$ .
  - Find MLE for data  $\mathcal{D} = \{x^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$
  - First write down log-likelihood of sample.
  - Compute first derivative, set to zero, solve for  $\lambda$ .
  - Compute second derivative and check that it is concave down at  $\lambda^{\text{MLE}}$ .

# MLE Example (do at home)

- Example: exponential distribution
  - First write down log-likelihood of sample.

$$\ell(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^N \log f(x^{(i)}) \quad (1)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \log(\lambda \exp(-\lambda x^{(i)})) \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \log(\lambda) + -\lambda x^{(i)} \quad (3)$$

$$= N \log(\lambda) - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} \quad (4)$$

# MLE Example (do at home)

- Example: exponential distribution

- Compute first derivative, set to zero, solve for  $\lambda$ .

$$\frac{d\ell(\lambda)}{d\lambda} = \frac{d}{d\lambda} N \log(\lambda) - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{N}{\lambda} - \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^{\text{MLE}} = \frac{N}{\sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)}} \quad (3)$$

# Another Approach: **Bayesian Inference**

- Let us consider a different approach
- Need a little bit of terminology

$$P(H|E) = \frac{P(E|H)P(H)}{P(E)}$$

- $H$  is the hypothesis
- $E$  is the evidence



# Bayesian Inference Definitions

- Terminology:

$$P(H|E) = \frac{P(E|H)P(H)}{P(E)} \longleftarrow \text{Prior}$$

- Prior: estimate of the probability **without** evidence

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**Likelihood**  
↙

- Likelihood: probability of evidence **given a hypothesis**.

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↑  
**Posterior**

- Posterior: probability of hypothesis **given evidence**.



# Maximum a Posteriori (MAP) Estimation

- We treat the parameters of a model as random variables with a *prior* probability distribution.

- Then, treat learning as Bayesian inference

- “Evidence” is the data

$$P(\theta|X) = \frac{P(X|\theta)P(\theta)}{P(X)}$$

- **Maximum a posteriori probability (MAP)** estimation

$$\theta^{\text{MAP}} = \arg \max_{\theta} \prod_{i=1}^n p(x^{(i)}|\theta)p(\theta)$$

# MAP vs ML

- What is the difference between ML and MAP?

$$\theta^{\text{MLE}} = \arg \max_{\theta} \prod_{i=1}^n p(x^{(i)} | \theta)$$

$$\theta^{\text{MAP}} = \arg \max_{\theta} \prod_{i=1}^n p(x^{(i)} | \theta) p(\theta)$$

- Prior!



# Break & Quiz

Q1-1: Are these statements true or false?

(A) Generative methods model joint probability distribution while discriminative methods model posterior probabilities of  $Y$  given  $X$ .

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(A) The aim of a generative model is to learn the generative story, i.e. the joint distribution  $p(x, y)$ .

On the other hand, a discriminative model aims to directly learn the posterior probability  $p(y|x)$ .

(B) We usually train a discriminative model by minimizing the corresponding loss function. MLE is also ok, but it often requires us to specify the distribution first, which makes the learning problem more complicated, thus limiting its application area.

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# Application: Parody Detection

- The Economist

**La paralización**

## Spain may be heading for its third election in a year

All latest updates

**Stubborn Socialists are blocking Mariano Rajoy from forming a centre-right government**

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BACK in June, after Spain's second indecisive election in six months, the general expectation was that Mariano Rajoy, the prime minister, would swiftly form a new government. Although his conservative People's Party (PP) did not win back the absolute majority it had lost in December, it remained easily the largest party, with 137 of the 350 seats in the Cortes (parliament) and was the only one to increase its share of the vote.


- The Onion

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## Tim Kaine Found Riding Conveyor Belt During Factory Campaign Stop

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AIKEN, SC—Noting that he disappeared for over an hour during a campaign stop meet-and-greet with workers at a Bridgestone tire manufacturing plant, sources confirmed Tuesday that Democratic vice presidential candidate Tim Kaine was finally discovered riding on one of the factory's conveyor belts. "Shortly after we arrived, Tim managed to get out of our sight, but after an extensive search of the facilities, one of our interns found him moving down the assembly line between several radial tires," said senior campaign advisor Mike Henry, adding that Kaine could be seen smiling and laughing as the belt carried him past workers. "Some of our interns were actually laughing at the sight of him riding the belt."

# Model 0: Not-Naïve Model

## Generative model:

1. Flip a weighted coin ( $Y$ )
2. If heads, sample a document ( $X$ ) from the Spam distribution
3. If tails, sample a document ( $X$ ) from the Not-Spam distribution

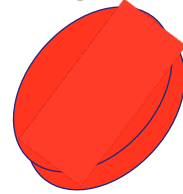
$$P(X, Y) = P(X|Y)P(Y)$$

4. We first sample  $Y$ , then sample  $X$  given  $Y$ .

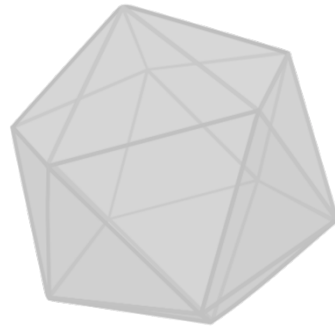


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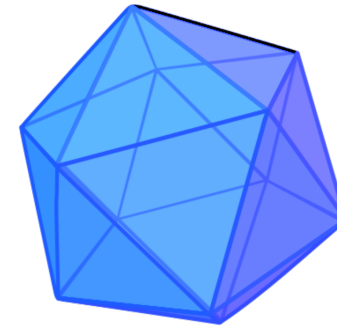
Flip weighted coin



If HEADS, roll gray die



If TAILS, roll blue die



$y$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	...	$x_K$
0	1	0	1	...	1
1	0	1	0	...	1
1	1	1	1	...	1
0	0	0	1	...	1
0	1	0	1	...	0
1	1	0	1	...	0

Each side of the die is labeled with a document vector (e.g.  $[1,0,1,\dots,1]$ )

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$$P(X_1, \dots, X_K, Y) = P(X_1, \dots, X_K | Y)P(Y)$$

# Model 0: Main Problem

How many terms are we modeling?

- Say  $K$  is the number of words in a dictionary and the features are binary (a word exists or not):  $X_i \in \{0, 1\}$

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_K | Y)$$

- $2^k$  choices of feature vector, each gets its own probability...
  - Exponentially big table (in feature vector size)

# Naïve Bayes: Core Assumption

How do we fix this problem?

- Conditional **independence** of features:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1, \dots, X_K, Y) &= P(X_1, \dots, X_K | Y) P(Y) \\ &= \left( \prod_{k=1}^K P(X_k | Y) \right) P(Y) \end{aligned}$$

- What do we gain? With binary features, get 2 entries per feature
- So, number of probabilities  $2^k \rightarrow 2k$



# Break & Quiz

Q2-1: Are these statements true or false?

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(A) Just as we learnt in the lecture.

(B) True, since the fully-fledged joint model subsumes the conditionally independent model.

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# Naïve Bayes: Overall Model

**Support:** Depends on the problem,  $P(X_k|Y)$

**Model:** Product of **prior** and the event model

$$P(\mathbf{X}, Y) = P(Y) \prod_{k=1}^K P(X_k|Y)$$

**Training:** Find the **class-conditional** MLE parameters

For  $P(Y)$ , we find the MLE using the data. For each  $P(X_k|Y)$  we condition on the data with the corresponding class.

**Prediction:** Find the class that maximizes the posterior

$$\hat{y} = \operatorname{argmax}_y p(y|\mathbf{x})$$

# Naïve Bayes: Predicting

- With conditional probabilities, how to predict?

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y} &= \operatorname{argmax}_y p(y|\mathbf{x}) \quad (\text{posterior}) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_y \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|y)p(y)}{p(x)} \quad (\text{by Bayes' rule}) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_y p(\mathbf{x}|y)p(y)\end{aligned}$$

# Naïve Bayes Example 1: Bernoulli

**Support:** Binary vectors of length  $K$

$$\mathbf{x} \in \{0, 1\}^K$$

**Generative Model:**

$$Y \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\phi)$$

$$X_k \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\theta_{k,Y}) \quad \forall k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$$

**Joint probability :**

$$p_{\phi, \theta}(\mathbf{x}, y) = p_{\phi, \theta}(x_1, \dots, x_K, y)$$

$$= p_{\phi}(y) \prod_{k=1}^K p_{\theta_k}(x_k | y)$$

$$= (\phi)^y (1 - \phi)^{(1-y)} \prod_{k=1}^K (\theta_{k,y})^{x_k} (1 - \theta_{k,y})^{(1-x_k)}$$

# Training Bernoulli Naïve Bayes

- Recall: train (by MLE) is to find **class-conditional** parameters
- To find  $P(Y)$ : use all the data
  - For  $P(X_i | Y=y)$ : use the data for that class



$$\phi = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}(y^{(i)} = 1)}{N}$$

$$\theta_{k,0} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}(y^{(i)} = 0 \wedge x_k^{(i)} = 1)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}(y^{(i)} = 0)}$$

$$\theta_{k,1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}(y^{(i)} = 1 \wedge x_k^{(i)} = 1)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}(y^{(i)} = 1)}$$

$$\forall k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$$

# Naïve Bayes: Training

- **Training:** empirically estimate the probabilities
  - Store: conditional probability tables (CPTs)

Y	P(Y)
0	0.33
1	0.67

X <sub>1</sub>	Y	P(X <sub>1</sub>  Y)
0	0	0.1
0	1	0.9
1	0	0.9
1	1	0.1

X <sub>2</sub>	Y	P(X <sub>2</sub>  C)
0	0	0.2
0	1	0.5
1	0	0.8
1	1	0.5

# Naïve Bayes: Smoothing

- **Training:** empirically estimate the probabilities
  - We are just obtaining counts to estimate  $P(X_i | Y)$
  - Suppose  $X_i$  has  $K$  possible values, and our counts for  $Y=y$  are  $b_1, \dots, b_K$
  - **What if  $b_i = 0$ ?**
    - Predictions will end up being zero. We want to prevent this (why?).
- Solution: smooth!

$$\hat{P}(X_i = j | Y = y) = \frac{b_j + \alpha}{\sum_k b_k + \alpha K}$$

# Naïve Bayes Example 2: Multinomial

**Support:** multinomial vectors of length  $d$

**Generative model:** (for each data point)

- Generate label:  $y \sim \text{Mult}(\phi)$ , where  $\sum_{k=1}^K \phi_k = 1$

- For each feature,  
 $x_i \sim \text{Mult}(\theta_{i,y})$ , where  $\sum_{k=1}^{K_i} \theta_{i,y,k} = 1$

**Joint probability:**

$$p_{\phi,\theta}(x, y) = p_{\phi}(y) \prod_{i=1}^d p_{\theta_{i,y}}(x_i|y) = \phi_y \prod_{i=1}^d \theta_{i,y,x_i}$$

# Naïve Bayes Example 3: Gaussian

**Support:**  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^K$

**Model:** Product of **prior** and the event model

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{x}, y) &= p(x_1, \dots, x_K, y) \\ &= p(y) \prod_{k=1}^K p(x_k | y) \end{aligned}$$

Gaussian Naive Bayes assumes that  $p(x_k | y)$  is given by a Normal distribution.





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