# **Machine Learning**

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#### Today:

- Bayes Classifiers
- Conditional Independence
- Naïve Bayes

### Two Principles for Estimating Parameters

• Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE): choose  $\theta$  that maximizes probability of observed data  $\mathcal{D}$ 

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#### Maximum Likelihood Estimate



X=1 X=0  $P(X=1) = \theta$   $P(X=0) = 1-\theta$  (Bernoulli)

 $\bullet$  Each flip yields boolean value for X

$$X \sim \text{Bernoulli: } P(X) = \theta^X (1 - \theta)^{(1 - X)}$$

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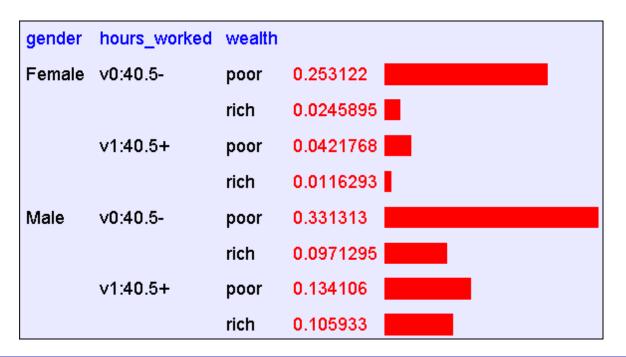
- Assume prior  $P(\theta) = Beta(\beta_1, \beta_0) = \frac{1}{B(\beta_1, \beta_0)} \theta^{\beta_1 1} (1 \theta)^{\beta_0 1}$
- Then

$$\hat{\theta}^{MAP} = \arg \max_{\theta} P(D|\theta)P(\theta) = \frac{\alpha_1 + \beta_1 - 1}{(\alpha_1 + \beta_1 - 1) + (\alpha_0 + \beta_0 - 1)}$$

(like MLE, but hallucinating  $\beta_1 - 1$  additional heads,  $\beta_0 - 1$  additional tails)

### Let's learn classifiers by learning P(Y|X)

Consider Y=Wealth, X=<Gender, HoursWorked>



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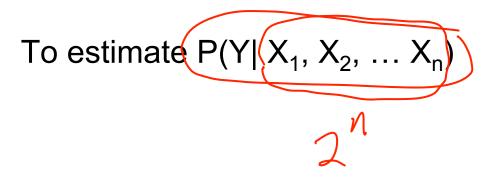
To estimate  $P(Y|X_1, X_2, ... X_n)$ 

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If we have 30 X<sub>i</sub>'s instead of 2?

# Bayes Rule

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

#### Which is shorthand for:

$$(\forall i, j) P(Y = y_i | X = x_j) = \frac{P(X = x_j | Y = y_i) P(Y = y_i)}{P(X = x_j)}$$

#### **Equivalently:**

$$(\forall i, j) P(Y = y_i | X = x_j) = \frac{P(X = x_j | Y = y_i) P(Y = y_i)}{\sum_k P(X = x_j | Y = y_k) P(Y = y_k)}$$

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$$P(X|Y=1)$$
 ----  $2^{n}$  - 1  $P(X|Y=0)$  ----  $2^{n}$  - 1

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# Naïve Bayes

#### Naïve Bayes assumes

$$P(X_1 \dots X_n | Y) = \prod_i P(X_i | Y)$$

i.e., that X<sub>i</sub> and X<sub>j</sub> are conditionally independent given Y, for all i≠j

# Conditional Independence

Definition: X is <u>conditionally independent</u> of Y given Z, if the probability distribution governing X is independent of the value of Y, given the value of Z

$$(\forall i, j, k) P(X = x_i | Y = y_j, Z = z_k) = P(X = x_i | Z = z_k)$$

Which we often write

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

E.g.,

P(Thunder|Rain, Lightning) = P(Thunder|Lightning)

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Naïve Bayes uses assumption that the X<sub>i</sub> are conditionally independent, given Y

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# Naïve Bayes in a Nutshell

#### Bayes rule:

$$P(Y = y_k | X_1 ... X_n) = \frac{P(Y = y_k) P(X_1 ... X_n | Y = y_k)}{\sum_j P(Y = y_j) P(X_1 ... X_n | Y = y_j)}$$

Assuming conditional independence among X<sub>i</sub>'s:

$$P(Y = y_k | X_1 ... X_n) = \frac{P(Y = y_k) \prod_i P(X_i | Y = y_k)}{\sum_j P(Y = y_j) \prod_i P(X_i | Y = y_j)}$$

So, to pick most probable Y for  $X^{new} = \langle X_1, ..., X_n \rangle$ 

$$Y^{new} \leftarrow \arg\max_{y_k} P(Y = y_k) \prod_i P(X_i^{new} | Y = y_k)$$

# Naïve Bayes Algorithm – discrete X<sub>i</sub>

Train Naïve Bayes (examples)

for each\* value 
$$y_k$$
 estimate  $\pi_k \equiv P(Y=y_k)$  for each\* value  $x_{ij}$  of each attribute  $X_i$  estimate  $\theta_{ijk} \equiv P(X_i=x_{ij}|Y=y_k)$ 

• Classify  $(X^{new})$ 

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<sup>\*</sup> probabilities must sum to 1, so need estimate only n-1 of these...

# Estimating Parameters: Y, X<sub>i</sub> discrete-valued

#### Maximum likelihood estimates (MLE's):

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Number of items in dataset D for which  $Y=y_k$ 

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# Naïve Bayes: Subtlety #1

Often the  $X_i$  are not really conditionally independent

- We use Naïve Bayes in many cases anyway, and it often works pretty well
  - often the right classification, even when not the right probability (see [Domingos&Pazzani, 1996])
- What is effect on estimated P(Y|X)?
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$$P(Y=y|X) \propto P(Y=y) \sqrt{1.1} P(X_1=x|Y=y)$$

# Naïve Bayes: Subtlety #2

If unlucky, our MLE estimate for  $P(X_i \mid Y)$  might be zero. (for example,  $X_i = birthdate$ .  $X_i = Jan_25_1992$ )

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#### MAP estimates (Beta, Dirichlet priors):

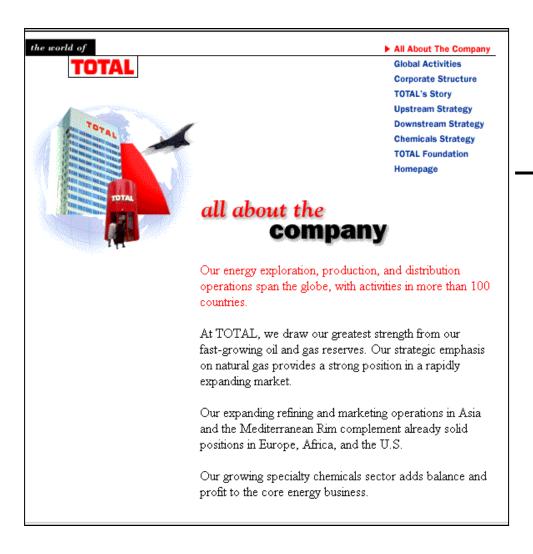
$$\hat{\pi}_k = \hat{P}(Y=y_k) = \frac{\#D\{Y=y_k\} + (\beta_k-1)}{|D| + \sum_m (\beta_m-1)} \qquad \text{ ``imaginary'' examples'}$$
 
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# Learning to classify text documents

- Classify which emails are spam?
- Classify which emails promise an attachment?
- Classify which web pages are student home pages?

How shall we represent text documents for Naïve Bayes?

# Baseline: Bag of Words Approach



aardvark about all Africa 0 apple 0 anxious gas oil . . . Zaire 0

# Learning to classify document: P(Y|X) the "Bag of Words" model

- Y discrete valued. e.g., Spam or not
- $X = \langle X_1, X_2, ... X_n \rangle = document$
- X<sub>i</sub> is a random variable describing the word at position i in the document
- possible values for X<sub>i</sub>: any word w<sub>k</sub> in English
- Document = bag of words: the vector of counts for all w<sub>k</sub>'s
  - like #heads, #tails, but we have many more than 2 values
  - assume word probabilities are position independent (i.i.d. rolls of a 50,000-sided die)

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Train Naïve Bayes (examples)

for each value 
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for each value  $x_i$  of each attribute  $X_i$ 

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prob that word  $x_j$  appears in position i, given  $Y=y_k$ 

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Additional assumption: word probabilities are position independent  $heta_{ijk} = heta_{mjk} \;\; ext{for all} \; i,m$