Bayesian Classifiers with Applications to Text

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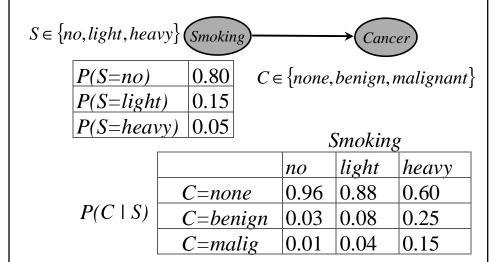
Joint Distribution

Smoking and Cancer

 $S \in \{no, light, heavy\}$ $C \in \{none, benign, malignant\}$

S	$C \Rightarrow$	none	benign	malignant
no		0.768	0.024	0.008
light		0.132	0.012	0.006
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Product Rule

• P(C,S) = P(C|S) P(S)

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Marginalization

$S \downarrow C \Rightarrow$	none	benign	malig	total	_
no	0.768	0.024	0.008	.80	
light	0.132	0.012	0.006	.15	P(Smoke)
heavy	0.035	0.010	0.005	.05	
total	0.935	0.046	0.019)
		P(Cancer	~)		

Bayes Rule

$$P(S \mid C) = \frac{P(C,S)}{P(C)} = \frac{P(C \mid S)P(S)}{P(C)}$$

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no	0.768/.935	0.024/.046	0.008/.019
light	0.132/.935	0.012/.046	0.006/.019
heavy	0.030/.935	0.015/.046	0.005/.019

Cancer=	none	benign	malignant
P(S=no)	0.821	0.522	0.421
P(S=light)	0.141	0.261	0.316
P(S=heavy)	0.037	0.217	0.263

Bayes Rule

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

$$P(C \mid X) = \frac{P(X \mid C)P(C)}{P(X)}$$

The Classification Problem

 From a data set describing objects by vectors of features and a class



 Find a function F: features → class to <u>classify</u> a new object

Bayes-Optimal Classifiers

 Assumption: The data instances we see are generated from some probability distribution

$$P(X_1,...,X_n,C)$$

- Consider instance x, let
 - c be its true class,
 - $-\ell$ be the class returned by the classifier F.
- The classifier is <u>correct</u> if $c = \ell$, and in <u>error</u> if $c \neq \ell$.
 - define $\lambda(c=\ell)$ =0 if $c=\ell$ and 1 otherwise
- The expected error incurred by choosing label ℓ is

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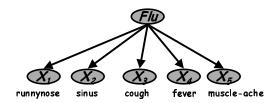
• Thus, if we knew P, we could minimize error rate by choosing ℓ_i when

$$P(c_i | \vec{x}) > P(c_i | \vec{x}) \forall j \neq i$$

- Bayes Optimal Classifier:
 - Given a new instance $\langle x_1, ..., x_n \rangle$

Set:
$$c = argmax_{C} P(C = c \mid x_{1},...,x_{n})$$

The Naïve Bayes Classifier



• **Assumption:** features are independent of each other given the class.

$$P(X_1,\ldots,X_5\mid C) = P(X_1\mid C) \bullet P(X_2\mid C) \bullet \cdots \bullet P(X_5\mid C)$$

Naïve Bayes Classification

$$\frac{P(c \mid x_1, ..., x_n)}{P(x_1, ..., x_n \mid c)P(c)}$$

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$$= \arg \max_{c} P(x_1, ..., x_n \mid c) P(c)$$

$$= \arg\max_{c} P(x_1 \mid c) \bullet \cdots \bullet P(x_n \mid c) P(c)$$

$$= \arg\max_{c} P(c) \prod_{i} P(x_{i} \mid c)$$

Naïve Bayes Algorithm

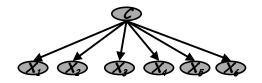
- Learn: Input = Data Set, output =
 - For each class c_i :
 - estimate $\hat{P}(c_j)$
 - For each attribute value x_i of each attribute X_i estimate

$$\hat{P}(x_i \mid c_j)$$

Classify new instance <x₁,...,x_n as

$$\ell = \arg\max_{c} \hat{P}(c) \prod_{i} \hat{P}(x_{i} | c)$$

Learning the Model

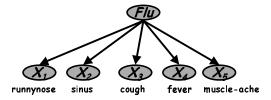


- Common practice:maximum likelihood
 - simply use the frequencies in the data

$$\hat{P}(c_j) = \frac{N(C = c_j)}{N}$$

$$\hat{P}(x_i \mid c_j) = \frac{N(X_i = x_i, C = c_j)}{N(C = c_j)}$$

Problem with Max Likelihood



$$P(X_1,\ldots,X_5\mid C) = P(X_1\mid C) \bullet P(X_2\mid C) \bullet \cdots \bullet P(X_5\mid C)$$

 What if we have seen no training cases where patient had no flu and muscle aches?

$$\hat{P}(X_5 = t \mid C = nf) = \frac{N(X_5 = t, C = nf)}{N(C = nf)} = 0$$

 Zero probabilities cannot be conditioned away, no matter the other evidence!

$$\ell = \arg\max_{c} \hat{P}(c) \prod_{i} \hat{P}(x_{i} \mid c)$$

Smoothing to Avoid Overfitting

$$\hat{P}(x_i \mid c_j) = \frac{N(X_i = x_i, C = c_j) + 1}{N(C = c_j) + k}$$
of values of X_i

Somewhat more subtle version.

overall fraction in data where X_i = $x_{i,k}$

$$\hat{P}(x_{i,k} \mid c_j) = \frac{N(X_i = x_{i,k}, C = c_j) + mp_{i,k}}{N(C = c_j) + m}$$
extent of "smoothing"

Conditional Independence

- Conditional independence assumption is typically false
 - Sinus condition not independent of runny nose, even given flu
- Nevertheless, it works surprisingly well
 - Reason 1: small number of parameters
 - if we try to fit too many parameters with sparse data, can get really strange models
 - Reason 2: Don't need probabilities to be correct, only argmax

$$\arg\max_{c} \hat{P}(c) \prod_{i} \hat{P}(x_{i} \mid c) = \arg\max_{c} P(c) \prod_{i} P(x_{i} \mid c)$$

Text Classification

- Input: Document consisting of words
- Output: Classification into a set of classes
- Examples:
 - learn which news articles are "interesting"
 - learn to classify webpages by topic
- Naïve Bayes is surprisingly good at this task

Two Models

- Model 1: Multi-variate binomial
 - One feature X_{w} for each word in dictionary
 - X_w = true in document d if w appears in d
 - Naïve Bayes assumption:
 - Given the document's topic, appearance of one word in document tells us nothing about chances that another word appears

Two Models

- Model 2: Multinomial
 - One feature X_i for each word in document
 - feature values are all words in dictionary
 - Value of X_i is the word in position i
 - Naïve Bayes assumption:
 - Given the document's topic, word in one position in document tells us nothing about value of words in other positions
 - Second assumption:
 - word appearance does not depend on position

$$P(X_i = w \mid c) = P(X_j = w \mid c)$$

for all positions *i,j*, word *w*, and class *c*

Parameter estimation

Binomial model:

$$\hat{P}(X_w = t \mid c_j) = \frac{\text{fraction of documents of topic } c_j}{\text{in which word } w \text{ appears}}$$

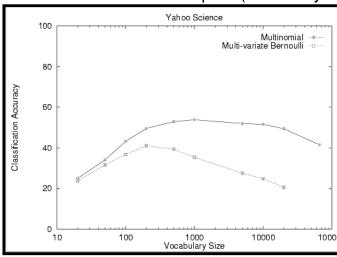
• Multinomial model:

$$\hat{P}(X_i = w \,|\, c_j) = \begin{array}{c} \text{fraction of times in which} \\ \text{word } w \text{ appears} \\ \text{across all documents of topic } c_i \end{array}$$

- creating a mega-document for topic j by concatenating all documents in this topic
- use frequency of w in mega-document

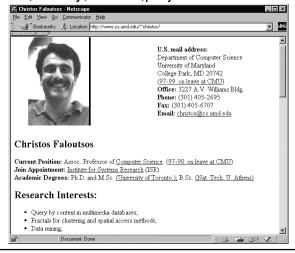
Example: AutoYahoo!

 Classify 13589 Yahoo! webpages in "Science" subtree into 95 different topics (hierarchy depth 2)



Example: WebKB (CMU)

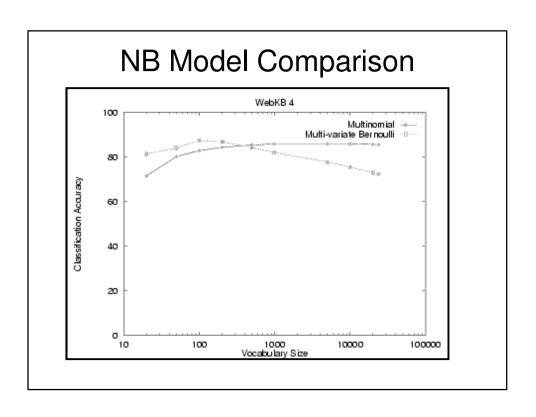
- Classify webpages from CS departments into:
 - student, faculty, course, project



WebKB Experiment

- Train on ~5,000 hand-labeled web pages
 - Cornell, Washington, U.Texas, Wisconsin
- Crawl and classify a new site (CMU)
- Results:

	Student	Faculty	Person	Project	Course	Departmt
Extracted	180	66	246	99	28	1
Correct	130	28	194	72	25	1
Accuracy:	72%	42%	79%	73%	89%	100%



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director	0.002	82	stuff	0.00359	grading	0.00
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