

# Lecture 17 (Naive Bayes)

*Note:  $y = b$  anywhere in this lecture is for  $b = \{0, 1\}$*

It is a generative model

## 1 Assumptions

1.  $y \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\phi)$  ( $y$  is usually considered to be discrete)
2.  $x$  is discrete taking values  $1, 2, \dots, L$
3.  $x_i \perp x_j | y$ , that is, all  $x_i$  are independent given  $y$
4. (repeat) **Only the conditional probability is independent**
5. This is the only assumption made by naive Bayes

## 2 Mathematical Analysis

$$P(x|y) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i|y)$$
$$P(y|x) = \frac{P(x|y)P(y)}{P(x)} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i|y)}{\sum_y \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i|y)}$$

Now, to find the class, we can directly compute:

$$\underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(y|x) = \underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(x|y)P(y)$$

## 3 Generating the Model

$$x_{j|y=b} = \text{Multinoulli}(\theta_{j|y=b})$$
$$\theta_{j|y=b} = (\theta_{j1|y=b}, \dots, \theta_{jL|y=b})$$

In the above expression,  $\sum_{l=1}^L \theta_{jl|y=b} = 1$

Now we compute  $\operatorname{argmax}$  for  $LL(\Theta) = \log \prod_{i=1}^m P(x_i, y_i; \Theta)$ ,

$$LL(\Theta) = \sum_{i=1}^m (\log P(y_i; \phi) + \log P(x_i|y_i; \Theta))$$

The second term can be written as:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \log P((x_i)_j | y; \Theta)$$

Now the above is *simplified* by adding probabilities for  $y = 1$  and  $y = 0$  and writing  $P((x_i)_j | y; \Theta)$  and product of probabilities for each component.

(The solving has been skipped for sanity purposes)

On computing  $\nabla_{\Phi} LL(\theta) = 0$ , we get:

$$\phi = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m y_i}{m}$$

$$\theta_{jl|y=b} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (y_i = b)(x_j = l)}{\sum_{i=1}^m y_i = b}$$

### 3.1 Gaussian Naive Bayes Model

The assumptions made are that  $x_j$  is independent and  $x_j | y = b$  follows normal distribution. This gives  $\Sigma$  as a diagonal matrix of  $\sigma_{jb}$ .