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Part 02 : NaiveBayes

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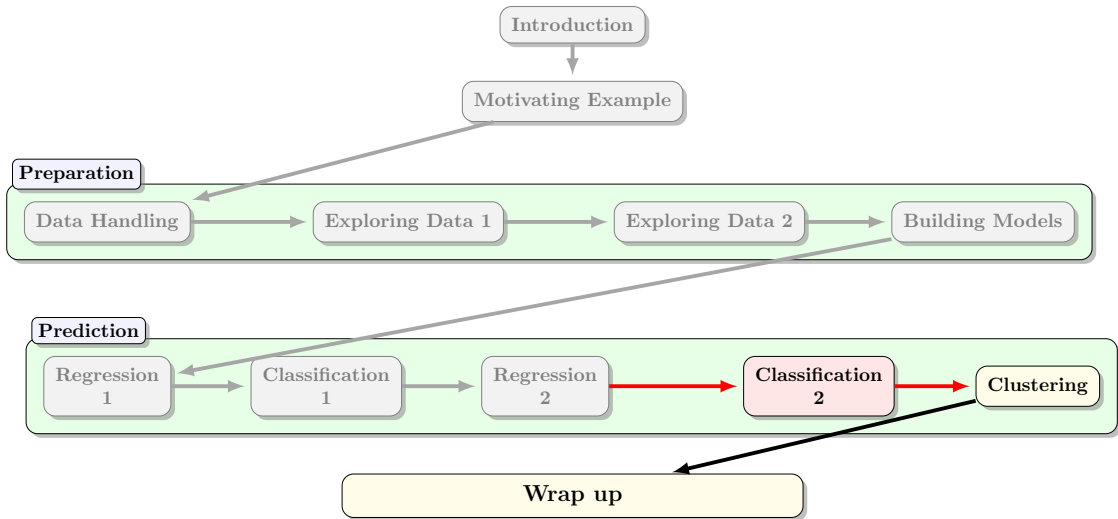
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Application to classification

By convention, $A = H$ and $B = E$, where H is the **hypothesis** (observation has specific class) and E is the **evidence** from the training data in support of that hypothesis.

With this interpretation, the Bayes identity can be used to predict class probabilities (hypothesis) from features (evidence).

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Extended Naive Bayes

➤ In practice, there could be multiple features/evidence so $B = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n\}$

Definition 2 (Extended Bayes Theorem)

The **extended form**, when $\{B_j\}$ partition B , so $B = \cup_j B_j$ and $B_p \cap B_q \equiv \emptyset$ unless $p = q$, is

$$P(A|\{B_i\}) = \frac{P(\{B_i\}|A)P(A)}{P(\{B_i\})} \quad (3)$$

which is the component-wise version of the standard Bayes Theorem.

Side note: Prosecutor's Fallacy

Note that $P(A|B) \neq P(B|A)$ in general. If the ratio $\frac{P(A)}{P(B)}$ is not close to 1, lawyers can mislead jurors regarding guilt or innocence. *Probability of Guilt given the evidence is not the same as the probability of the evidence assuming the defendant is guilty.* “Since the defendant is probably guilty, and we have proved he had the opportunity, he must have committed the crime.”

Naive Extended Bayes

Definition 3 (Naive Bayes)

If the features B are assumed to be independent of each other, it can be shown that

$$P(B) = P(B_1 \cap B_2 \cap \dots B_n) = \prod_i P(B_i) \quad (4)$$

$$P(B|A_j) = \prod_k P(B_i|A_j) \quad (5)$$

The **naïve** form of Bayes theorem becomes

$$P(A_j|B) = \frac{\prod_i P(B_i|A_j)P(A_j)}{\prod_i P(B_i)} \quad (6)$$

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- From this, we can use the Naive version of the extended Bayes Theorem 6 to predict $P(A_j|B)$, the posterior probability of class label A_j given all the evidence from the features B .

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Naïve Bayes using scikit-learn

Setup

```
from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix, classification_report
```

Fit and Predict

```
gnb = GaussianNB()
gnb.fit(Xtrain, ytrain)
y_gnbTest = gnb.predict(Xtest)
print(accuracy_score(ytest, y_gnbTest))
print(confusion_matrix(ytest, y_gnbTest))
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➤ Note that GaussianNB rarely has arguments and numeric features do not need to be scaled before use

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- Assume each numeric feature has a Gaussian distribution, characterised by its mean (μ) and standard deviation (σ) parameters
- GaussianNB fits this prior distribution to each numeric feature, when computing the marginal counts for the categorical features
- For a given test instance, its z-score for each numeric feature is computed from the fitted μ and σ for that feature (scaling is implicit).
- Hence, its likelihood for that probability distribution can be obtained, and substituted in the Naive Bayes (NB) expression over all the features, for each class value.
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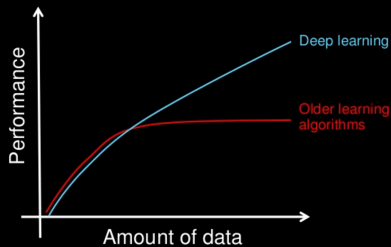
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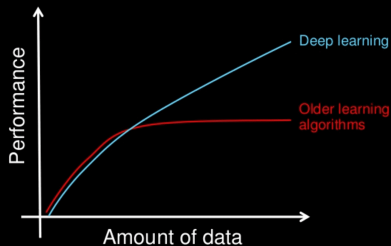


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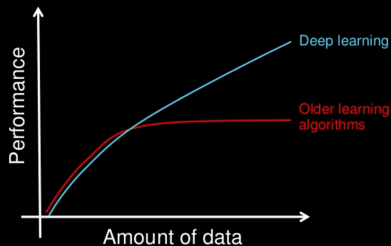
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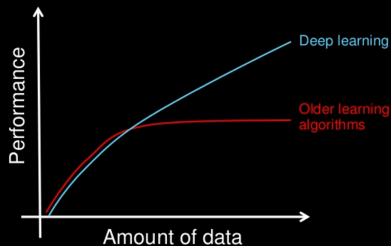
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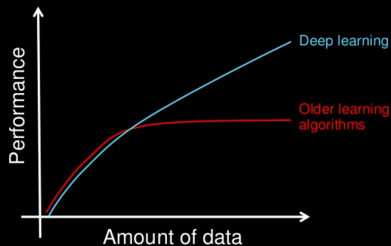
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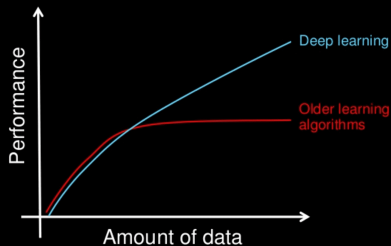
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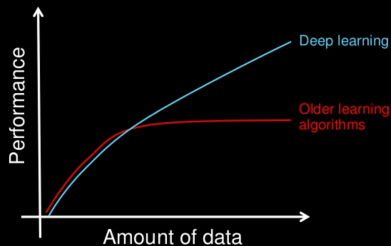
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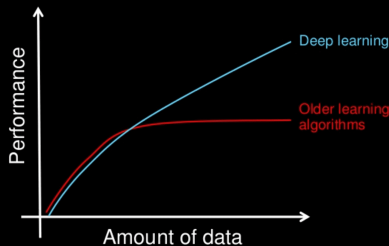
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