

**CS412 Machine Learning**  
**HW 2 – Probabilities – Bayesian Learning**  
**100pts**

- **Please TYPE your answer or write legibly by hand (pts off if it is hard to read).**
- **Use this document to type in your answers** (rather than writing on a separate sheet of paper), so as to keep questions, answers and grades together to facilitate grading.
- **SHOW all your work for partial/full credit.**
- **Allocated spaces should be enough for your answers** (unnecessarily long and irrelevant answers may lose points)

**1) 20 pt** - Suppose that we have 3 colored boxes r (red), b (blue) and g (green).

Box r contains 9 apples, 5 oranges and 3 limes;

Box b contains 8 apples, 4 oranges and 1 lime;

Box g contains 5 apples, 2 oranges and 6 limes.

Assume a process **where we pick a box first and then pick a fruit from the selected box**. A box is chosen at random according to the following probability of being selected:  $p(r) = p(b) = 0.3$  and  $p(g)=0.4$  and a piece of fruit is selected from the **chosen** box randomly.

a) 10 pt – What is the **probability of selecting an orange**?

$$p(o) = p(r) * p(o | r) + p(b) * p(o | b) + p(g) * p(o | g)$$

$$p(o) = (3/10) * (5/17) + (3/10) * (4/13) + (4/10) * (2/13) = 0.242$$

b) 10pt - If we **observe that the selected fruit is an orange**, what is the probability that it came from the red box?

$$p(r | o) = \frac{(5/17) * (0.3)}{0.242} = 0.36$$

2) 40 pt - For a 2-dimensional input space, we are given the following class conditional probability densities. Assume that  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are conditionally independent given class names.

$$p(x_1|C_1) = \begin{cases} 1/3 & \text{for } 0 \leq x_1 \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

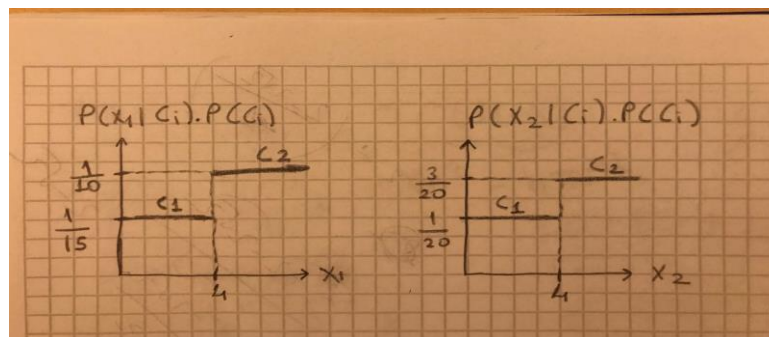
$$p(x_1|C_2) = \begin{cases} 1/2 & \text{for } 4 < x_1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$p(x_2|C_1) = \begin{cases} 1/4 & \text{for } 0 \leq x_2 \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$p(x_2|C_2) = \begin{cases} 3/4 & \text{for } 4 < x_2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Assume  $P(C_1)=P(C_2)=0.2$  and  $P(C_3)=0.6$ .

a) 12pt – Draw the corresponding pdfs for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , being as precise as possible (e.g. label axes and important points on the axes). You can draw by hand, take a picture and include here as image.



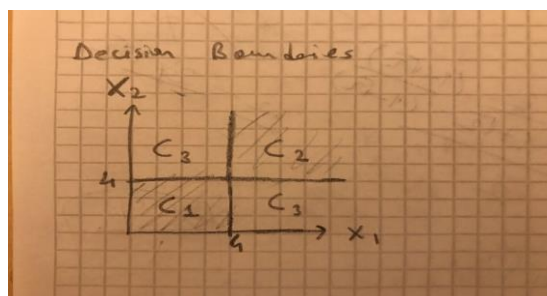
b) 10pts - Develop a classification strategy for given feature values (just looking at the graph – no formula), just complete the sentence(s):

if  $x_1$  is in the region  $4 < x_1$ , and  $x_2$  is in the region  $4 < x_2$ , I will classify it as  $C_2$ ;

if  $x_1$  is in the region  $0 \leq x_1 \leq 4$ , and  $x_2$  is in the region  $0 \leq x_2 \leq 4$ , I will classify it as  $C_1$ ;

Otherwise, I will classify it as  $C_3$ ;

c) 8pts - Draw the decision regions.



**d) 10pts – Give a one line qualitative answer** (no precise numbers/thresholds...) **& reasoning for each case below** (how your decision changes or whether it doesn't).

- Would your decision strategy change if  $P(C_1)=0.8$  and  $P(C_2)=P(C_3)=0.1$ ?

No it will not change. Because, there is no intersection between the classes of  $C_i$  in the pdf's graph both for  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Hence, the dominant probabilities will not change in the given intervals.

- How about if it was the reverse  $P(C_1)=P(C_3)=0.1$  and  $P(C_2)=0.8$ ?

No it will not change. Because, there is no intersection between the classes of  $C_i$  in the pdf's graph both for  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Therefore, the dominant probabilities will not be affected in the given intervals.

### 3) 40pts – NAIVE BAYES

**a) 10pts – Given that two random variables X and Y are conditionally independent given C, circle True or False** (2pts for each correct answer; -1pts each wrong answer):

- $P(X|Y) = P(X)$  True / **False**
- $P(X|Y, C) = P(X|Y)$  True / **False**
- $P(X, C|Y) = P(X|Y)$  True / **False**
- $P(X, Y|C) = P(X|C) P(Y|C)$  **True** / False
- $P(X, Y, C) = P(X|C) P(Y|C) P(C)$  **True** / False

**b) 24pts - Using the Mammal dataset given below, how would you classify the animal that give birth, cannot fly, sometimes live in water, and has not legs, using Naive Bayes classifier *without any smoothing*. Show your work** (e.g. indicate class conditional attribute probabilities under the given table in the next page and just transfer them here).

$$P(\text{mammal} | x) = p(\text{birth} | \text{mammal}) * p(\text{cannot fly} | \text{mammal}) * p(\text{sometimes live in water} | \text{mammal}) * p(\text{has not legs} | \text{mammal}) * p(\text{mammal})$$

$$= (6/7) * (6/7) * (0) * \dots = 0$$

$P(\text{non-mammals} | x) = p(\text{birth} | \text{non-mammals}) * p(\text{cannot fly} | \text{non-mammals}) * p(\text{sometimes live in water} | \text{non-mammals}) * p(\text{has not legs} | \text{non-mammals}) * p(\text{non-mammals})$

$= (1/13) * (10/13) * (4/13) * (4/13) * (13/20) \approx 0.0036$  (without normalisation)

**Decision: .....non-mammals.....**

Name	Give Birth	Can Fly	Live in Water	Have Legs	Class
human	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
python	no	no	no	no	non-mammals
salmon	no	no	yes	no	non-mammals
whale	yes	no	yes	no	mammals
frog	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
komodo	no	no	no	yes	non-mammals
bat	yes	yes	no	yes	mammals
pigeon	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals
cat	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
leopard shark	yes	no	yes	no	non-mammals
turtle	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
penguin	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
porcupine	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
eel	no	no	yes	no	non-mammals
salamander	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
gila monster	no	no	no	yes	non-mammals
platypus	no	no	no	yes	mammals
owl	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals
dolphin	yes	no	yes	no	mammals
eagle	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals

**Write here the estimated probabilities (you should only write those related to the question for simplicity):**

$P(\text{Give Birth}=\text{Yes} | \text{mammals}) = (6/7)$

$P(\text{Give Birth}=\text{Yes} | \text{non-mammals}) = (1/13)$

$P(\text{Can Fly} = \text{No} | \text{mammals}) = (6/7)$

$P(\text{Can Fly} = \text{No} | \text{non-mammals}) = (10/13)$

$P(\text{Live in water} = \text{sometimes} | \text{mammals}) = 0$

$P(\text{Live in water} = \text{sometimes} | \text{non-mammals}) = 4/13$

$P(\text{Have Legs} = \text{No} | \text{mammals}) = (2/7)$

$P(\text{Have Legs} = \text{No} | \text{non-mammals}) = (4/13)$

$$P(\text{mammals}) = (7/20)$$

$$P(\text{non-mammals}) = (13/20)$$

**c) 6pts - Without re-doing the whole process, calculate the probabilities for  $P(\text{Live in Water}|\text{mammals})$ ,  $P(\text{Have Legs}|\text{mammals})$  and  $P(\text{Give Birth}|\text{non-mammals})$  using Laplace smoothing:**

$$P(\text{Live in Water}=\text{Sometimes}|\text{mammals}) = (0 + 1) / (7 + 3) = (1 / 10)$$

$$P(\text{Have Legs}=\text{No}|\text{mammals}) = (2 + 1) / (7 + 2) = (3/9)$$

$$P(\text{Give Birth}=\text{Yes}|\text{non-mammals}) = (1 + 1) / (13 + 2) = (2/15)$$