

**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**?

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

**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 ....., and  $x_2$  is in the region ..... , I will classify it as .....

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Otherwise, I will classify it as .....

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

### 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).

$P(\text{mammal} | x) =$

$P(\text{non-mammals} | x) =$

**Decision:** .....

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):

$P(\text{Give Birth}=\text{Yes} \mid \text{mammal}) = \dots\dots$

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**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:**

$P(\text{Live in Water}=\text{Sometimes}|\text{mammals}) = \dots\dots\dots$

$P(\text{Have Legs}=\text{No}|\text{mammals}) = \dots\dots\dots$

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