

Lecture 4: Problems with our model

$$P(\theta | X=x) = \frac{\overset{\text{posterior}}{P(X=x|\theta)} \overset{\text{prior}}{P(\theta)}}{P(X=x)}$$

① What is $p(x)$? $P(X) = \langle 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0 \rangle = ?$

doesn't make sense; can't be calculated w/o θ^{**}

Solution:
$$P(X) = \sum_{\theta_0 \in \Theta} P(X|\theta_0) P(\theta_0) = \int_{\theta_0 \in \Theta} P(X|\theta_0) P(\theta_0)$$

$$P(\theta_0) = 0 \text{ if } \theta_0 \neq \theta; \text{ in } \theta_0 = \theta \text{ case } P(\theta_0) = 1$$

$$** \text{ we solve } P(X; \theta) \text{ not } P(X) \text{ when } = \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x}$$

② what is $p(\theta)$? if θ is fixed it is either 0 or 1 } frequentism
No room for uncertainty if fixed.

Solution: treat θ as a random variable to represent uncertainty
 θ is given a distribution

• With these adjustments we can solve the "inverse problem"

$$\begin{array}{lll} P(\theta | X) & \text{based on} & P(X | \theta) \\ P(\text{cause} | \text{effect}) & & P(\text{effect} | \text{cause}) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \theta: \text{model (cause)} \\ X: \text{data (effect)} \end{array}$$

Bayesian

given
w/ full
data
set

ex: \mathcal{X} is a bernoulli where $X = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$

$$\Theta = \{0.25, 0.75\}$$

based on frequentism

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \bar{x} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$P(\text{Bern}(\theta)) = \theta^x (1-\theta)^{3-x} \quad \text{3 outcomes}$$

$$\text{or } = \sum_{i=1}^3 \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i}$$

$$\text{so } P(X | \theta = 0.25) = (0.25)^2 (0.75) = \underline{0.047}$$

$$P(X | \theta = 0.75) = (0.25)(0.75)^2 = \underline{0.141}$$

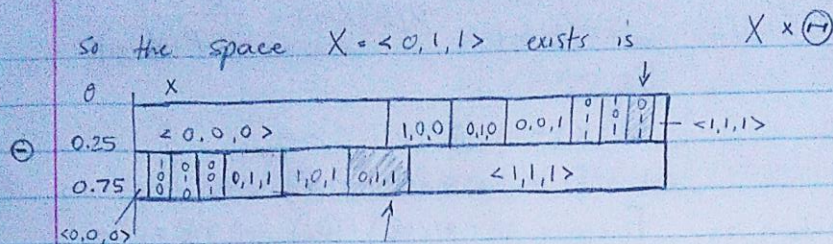
so we know $\langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$ is more likely to occur if $\theta = 0.75$

since θ, X are r.v

$$\theta \in \Theta = \{0.25, 0.75\}$$

$$x \in X = \text{Supp}[X]^3 = \{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1\}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle \quad \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle \quad \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \quad \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle \quad \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle \quad \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle \end{array}$$



FOR $\theta = 0.25$

$$P(X = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle \mid \theta = 0.25) = (0.75)^3 = \underline{0.422} \quad (\text{of the space of } \theta = 0.25)$$

$$P \left(\begin{array}{l} X = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle \\ \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle \end{array} \mid \theta = 0.25 \right) = (0.25)(0.75)^2 = 0.14 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{for each;} \\ \text{of space of } \theta = 0.25 \end{array} \right)$$

$$P \left(\begin{array}{l} X = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle \\ \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle \end{array} \mid \theta = 0.25 \right) = (0.25)^2(0.75) = 0.046 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{for each;} \\ \text{of space of } \theta = 0.25 \end{array} \right)$$

$$P(X = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \mid \theta = 0.25) = 0.25^3 = \underline{0.016} \quad (\text{of space of } \theta = 0.25)$$

since only 2 θ 's, probability events is the opposite but in $\theta = 0.75$ space

** Before we can do anything we must know $P(\theta)$

Probability θ is 0.25 or 0.75.

Knowing nothing of the data/system we apply "Principle of indifference"
(that is we equally assign probabilities to each θ in system)

$$\text{so } P(\theta) = \begin{cases} 0.25 \text{ w.p } 1/2 \\ 0.75 \text{ w.p } 1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{for example } P(X = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle \mid \theta = 0.25) = 0.422$$

$$\text{but } P(X = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle \cap \theta = 0.25) = 0.211$$

since $\theta = 0.25$ is only $1/2$ of the entire space

OR

$$P(X \cap \theta) = P(X \mid \theta) P(\theta) = (0.422) \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$X = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\theta = 0.25$$

so for $X = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$

$$P(X \cap \theta_1 = 0.25) = P(X | \theta_1) P(\theta_1) = (0.046)(0.5) = 0.023$$

$$P(X \cap \theta_2 = 0.75) = P(X | \theta_2) P(\theta_2) = (0.14)(0.5) = 0.070$$

$$P(X) = \sum_{i=1}^2 P(X \cap \theta_i) = P(X \cap \theta_1) + P(X \cap \theta_2) = 0.023 + 0.070 = 0.093$$

so To find inverse probability

$$P(\theta_1 = 0.25 | X = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle) = \frac{P(X | \theta_1) P(\theta_1)}{P(X)} = \frac{0.023}{0.093} = 0.247$$

And

$$P(\theta_2 = 0.75 | X = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle) = \frac{P(X | \theta_2) P(\theta_2)}{P(X)} = \frac{0.07}{0.093} = 0.753$$

Note: θ and X are NOT independent
for independence: $P(X | \theta) = P(X)$
but $\theta \in \Theta$ affects $P(X=x)$

Odds ratio for event $X = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$ allows for comparison w/o finding $P(X)$.

$$\frac{P(\theta = 0.25 | X)}{P(1-\theta = 0.75 | X)} = \frac{P(X | \theta_1)}{P(X | \theta_2)} \cdot \frac{P(\theta_1 = 0.25)}{P(1-\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0.75)}$$

$$\frac{0.247}{0.753} \approx \frac{1}{3} \quad \leftarrow \text{likelihood ratio} = \frac{0.023}{0.07} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \text{prior odds} = \frac{0.5}{0.5} = 1$$

checks out

What if we change Θ ?