# Text Classification and Naïve Bayes

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## Is This Spam?



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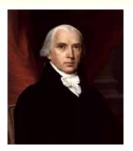
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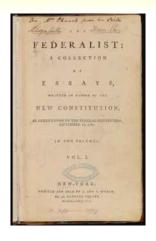
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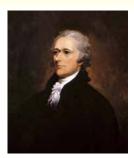
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#### Who Wrote the Disputed Federalist Papers?



James Madison





**Alexander Hamilton** 

- Federalist papers
  - 85 anonymous essays published in 1787 1788 to convince New York to ratify the U.S. Constitution
  - Authors: Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, John Jay
  - Authorship of 12 papers disputed after Alexander Hamilton's death
- Mosteller and Wallace (1962)
  - Resolved authorship of disputed papers using Bayesian methods
    - All 12 were authored by Madison
  - Final tally: Hamilton (51), Madison (29), Jay (5)

#### **Topic Extraction**



Technical Article

#### Optical Coherence Tomography for Assessment of Epithelialization in a Human Ex Vivo Wound Model

George D Glinos, Sebastian H Verne, Adam S Aldahan, Liang Liang, Keyvan Nouri, Sharon Elliot, Marilyn Glassberg, Delia Cabrera DeBuc, Tulay Koru-Sengul, Marjana Tomic-Canic, Irena Pastar M

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#### ABSTRACT

The ex vivo human skin wound model is a widely accepted model to study wound epithelialization. Due to a lack of animal models that fully replicate human conditions, the ex vivo model is a valuable tool to study mechanisms of wound reepithelialization, as well as for pre-clinical testing of novel therapeutics. The current standard for assessment of wound healing in this model is histomorphometric analysis, which is labor intensive, time consuming, and requires multiple biological and technical replicates in addition to assessment of different time points. Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) is an emerging noninvasive imaging technology originally developed for non-invasive retinal scans that avoids the deleterious effects of tissue processing. This study investigated OCT as a novel method for assessing re-epithelialization in the human ex vivo wound model. Excisional ex vivo wounds were created, maintained at air-liquid interface, and healing progression was assessed at days 4 and 7 with OCT and histology. OCT provided adequate resolution to identify the epidermis, the papillary and reticular dermis, and importantly, migrating epithelium in the wound bed. We have deployed OCT as a non-invasive tool to produce, longitudinal "optical biopsies" of ex vivo human wound healing process, and we established an optimal quantification method of re-epithelialization based on en face OCT images of the total wound area. Pairwise statistical analysis of OCT and histology based









**Optical Coherence** Tomography



#### Text Classification Research Areas

- Assigning subject categories, topics, or genres
- Spam detection
- Authorship identification
- Age/gender identification
- Language identification
- Sentiment Analysis
- etc.

#### **Text Classification Defined**

- Input:
  - a document d
    - anything textual: sentence, paragraph, complete document, even a computer program
  - a fixed set of classes  $C = \{c_1, c_2, ..., c_n\}$
- Output:
  - a predicted class c∈ C

#### Text Classification: Hand-Coded Rules

- Develop rules based on attributes (features)
- Example, for a spam filter, features could be
  - words: e.g., "FREE"
  - text patterns: \$nnn, all upper case
  - non-text information: is sender in the recipient's contact list, etc.
- rules crafted by domain experts
- accuracy can be high
- developing and maintaining rule sets can be expensive

Dear Sir.

First, I must solicit your confidence in this transaction, this is by virtue of its nature as being utterly confidencial and top secret. ...

TO BE REMOVED FROM FUTURE MAILINGS, SIMPLY REPLY TO THIS MESSAGE AND PUT "REMOVE" IN THE SUBJECT.

99 MILLION EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR ONLY \$99

Ok, Iknow this is blatantly OT but I'm beginning to go insane. Had an old Dell Dimension XPS sitting in the corner and decided to put it to use, I know it was working pre being stuck in the corner, but when I plugged it in, hit the power nothing happened.

## Text Classification: Data Compression

- Lossless compression algorithms
  - input: sequence of symbols
  - action: find repeated patterns in sequence
  - output: a more compact description of the sequence



- Data compression approach
  - can use off-the-shelf algorithms
    - LZW, gzip, RAR
    - good accuracy, but can be slow
  - lump together spam and compress
  - lumg together ham and compress
  - for new message:
    - lump together with spam/ham and compress
    - whichever class compresses better is the winner



## Text Classification: Language Modeling

- Example data for a spam filter
  - emails in spam folder
  - emails in inbox

e.g., word bigrams: "for cheap" e.g., character bigrams: FR RE EE

- Language-modeling approach
  - develop n-gram model for P(Message | spam) based on spam folder
  - develop n-gram model for P(Message | ham) based on inbox folder
  - classify new message using Bayes' rule:

$$\underset{c \in \{spam, ham\}}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(c \mid message) = \underset{c \in \{spam, ham\}}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(message \mid c)P(c)$$

- where P(c = spam) is the relative proportion of the spam corpus
- and where we apply the Markov assumption to obtain (assuming bigrams)

$$P(message|c) = \prod_{i=1}^{N} [P(t_i|t_{i-1},c)]$$

## Text Classification: Machine Learning

- Basic idea:
  - represent data (messages) as feature/value pairs
  - features:
    - words (unigrams) in the vocabulary (can be very large, e.g., 100K)
      - unigram representation also called "bag of words" model
    - can also be n-grams
    - can include non-n-gram values: time sent, whether includes image, etc.
  - values: number of times each word appears in the message
  - most features will have zero values
- Feature selection
  - may use a reduced set of features (e.g., top 100) to simplify complexity
- Machine learning algorithms used:
  - multiclass perceptrons, NN, SVM, K-NN, decision trees, NaïveBayes

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## Naïve Bayes Intuition

- A type of supervised learning
  - classifier is learned from a training corpus of hand-labeled documents
- Simple ("naïve") classification method based on Bayes rule:

$$P(x|y) = \frac{P(y|x)P(x)}{P(y)}$$

- Relies on representing a document as a bag of words
  - a very simple representation
  - word order does not matter
  - word count does matter



## Example: Bag-of-words representation

Consider the sentence

"how much wood would a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood"

Represented as a bag of words

 $\rightarrow$ 

 classification involves mapping this vector of features to a class

word	count
а	2
chuck	2
could	1
how	1
if	1
much	1
wood	2
woodchuck	2
would	1

## Statistical Background

Bayes' Rule

$$P(c|d) = \frac{P(d|c)P(c)}{P(d)}$$

Chain Rule for probabilities

$$P(x_1,...,x_n) = \prod_{i} P(x_i \mid x_1,...,x_{i-1})$$
  
=  $P(x_1) P(x_2 \mid x_1) P(x_3 \mid x_1, x_2) P(x_4 \mid x_1, x_2, x_3) \cdots$ 

#### **Most Likely Class**

We use the MAP ("maximum a posteriori") determination of the most likely class

$$c_{MAP} = argmax_{c \in C} P(c|d)$$

Applying Bayes' Rule

$$c_{MAP} = argmax_{c \in C} \frac{P(d|c)P(c)}{P(d)}$$

And simply dropping the denominator

$$c_{MAP} = argmax_{c \in C} P(d|c) P(c)$$

Representing the document as a feature vector

$$c_{MAP} = argmax_{c \in C} P(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n | c) P(c)$$

## Naïve Bayes Parameter Space

$$c_{MAP} = argmax_{c \in C} P(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n | c) P(c)$$
feature vector

- Suppose each x<sub>i</sub> represents a word in a particular position in the document
  - e.g.  $x_{35}$  = "woodchuck"
- Suppose also that there are |X| possible words in each position and a maximum of n word positions in any document
- Then, there are  $O(|X|^n \cdot |C|)$  possible input documents, hence probabilities, that we would need to calculate
- We would need a really large set of training examples to estimate all these probabilities, since the test set can include any of them

## Multinomial NB Simplifying Assumptions

- Bag-of-words assumption
  - assume position doesn't matter
  - but multiplicity does
- Conditional independence
  - assume feature probabilities P( $x_i \mid c_j$ ) are conditionally independent given the class c

$$P(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n | c) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | c)$$

As a result, we need to compute only |X| •C probabilities

## Multinomial Naïve Bayes Classifier

• From previous slide: 
$$P(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n | c) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | c)$$

• Recall from before 
$$c_{MAP} = argmax_{c \in C}P(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n|c)P(c)$$

Therefore

$$c_{NB} = argmax_{c_j \in C} P(c_j) \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(x_i \mid c_j)$$

where i ranges over all word positions in the document

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## Learning a Multinomial NB Model

- Maximum likelihood estimate (MLE)
  - simply use the frequencies observed in the data

$$\widehat{P}(c_j) = \frac{\left| \left\{ d \in docs : class(d) = c_j \right\} \right|}{\left| \left\{ docs \right\} \right|}$$

$$\widehat{P}(w_i \mid c_j) = \frac{count(w_i, c_j)}{\sum_{w \in V} count(w c_i)}$$

- Create a mega-document for topic (class) j by concatenating all documents in this topic
  - use the frequency of w in mega-document

#### The Problem of Zeroes

For any particular word w<sub>k</sub> that did not occur in the training data for class c<sub>i</sub>

$$\widehat{P}(w_k \mid c_j) = \frac{count(w_k, c_j)}{\sum_{w \in V} count(w, c_j)} = 0$$

- But w<sub>k</sub> could appear in the test data for class c<sub>i</sub>
- We can use Laplace (add-1) smoothing to ensure non-zero probability for words like  $w_{\nu}$

$$\widehat{P}(w_k \mid c_j) = \frac{count(w_k, c_j) + 1}{\sum_{w \in V}(count(w, c_j) + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{count(w_k, c_j) + 1}{(\sum_{w \in V} count(w, c_j)) + |V|}$$

## Multinomial Naïve Bayes Learning

- From the training corpus, extract the Vocabulary
- Calculate P(c<sub>i</sub>) terms

for each  $c_i$  in C, find  $docs_i = \{ all docs with class = <math>c_i \}$ 

$$P(c_j) = \frac{|docsj|}{|total \# documents|}$$

Calculate P( w<sub>k</sub> | c<sub>i</sub> ) terms

Let  $Text_j$  = a mega-doc containing all docs in  $doc_j$  for each word  $w_k$  in *Vocabulary*, compute

 $n_k = \#$  occurrences of  $w_k$  in  $Test_j$ 

$$P(wk \mid c_j) = \frac{n_k + \alpha}{n + \alpha |Vocabulary|}$$

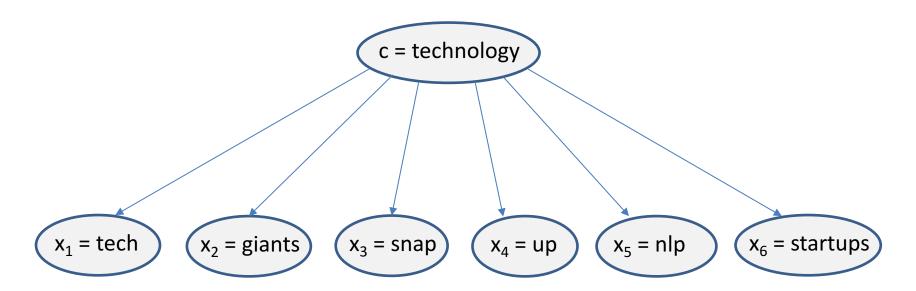
where  $\alpha$  = 1 for Laplace

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#### Generative Model for Multinomial NB

• The conditional probabilities we calculate may be considered a generative model for the words in the vocabulary for each possible topic (class)



## Naïve Bayes and Language Modeling

- Naïve Bayes classifiers can use any features for classifications
  - e.g., words, phrases, URLs, email addresses, network features
- But if,
  - we use only individual words as features
  - and we use all of the words in the text, not just a subset
- Then
  - Naïve Bayes has an important similarity to language modeling:
    - Each class is a unigram language model
    - Compute for each word:  $P(word \mid c)$
    - Assign for each sentence:  $P(s \mid c) = \prod P(word \mid c)$

## Naïve Bayes as a Language Model

Which class assigns the higher probability to s = "tech giants snap up nlp startups" ?

c = finance

Wi	P( w <sub>i</sub>   c )
tech	.1
giants	.05
snap	.02
up	.3
nlp	.03
startups	.3

Wi	P( w <sub>i</sub>   c )
tech	.01
giants	.4
snap	.3
ир	.05
nlp	.0001
startups	.01

class	tech	giants	snap	up	nlp	startups	P( s   c ))
finance	.1	.05	.02	.3	.03	.3	$(2.7 \times 10^{-7})$
sports	.01	.4	.3	.05	.0001	.01	6 × 10 <sup>-11</sup>

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# Multinomial Naïve Bayes Example

Consider a small database of movie reviews

"I liked the movie"	( + )
"I hated the movie"	( - )
"a great movie a good movie"	(+)
"poor acting"	( - )
"great acting a good movie"	(+)

Computing the priors

$$P(+) = 3 / 5 = .6$$
  
 $P(-) = 2 / 5 = .4$ 

## Multinomial Naïve Bayes Example

```
P(x_i | +)
                                                                         0.0833
                                                                         0.1250
Source documents:
                                                               acting
                                                                         0.0833
                                                                 good
                                                                         0.1250
       + ] I liked the movie
                                                                great
                                                                         0.1250

    1 I hated the movie

                                                                hated
                                                                         0.0417
    ) [ + ] a great movie good movie
                                                                liked
                                                                        0.0833
  3 ) [ - ] poor acting
                                                                        0.2083
                                                                movie
(4)[+] great acting a good movie
                                                                         0.0417
                                                                 poor
Feature sets for + class documents:
                                                                   the
                                                                         0.0833
                                     1
0
(2)
                                                                     P(x_i \mid -)
(4)
                                                                         0.1250
Feature sets for - class documents:
                                                                         0.0625
                                                               acting
                                                                         0.1250
(1)
(3)
                                                                         0.0625
                                                                  good
                                                                 great
                                                                         0.0625
                                                                 hated
                                                                         0.1250
                                                                 liked
                                                                         0.0625
                                                                         0.1250
Example: P( movie | + ) = (4+1) / (14+10) = .2083
                                                                 movie
                                                                         0.1250
                                                                  poor
                                                                         0.1250
                                                                   the
```

## Multinomial Naïve Bayes Example

Test sentence: s = "I hated the poor acting"

$$P( + | s ) = (.6)(.0833)(.0417)(.0833)(.0417)(.0833)$$
  
=  $6.028 \times 10^{-7}$ 

P(- | s) = 
$$(.4)(.125)(.125)(.125)(.125)(.125)$$
  
=  $1.221 \times 10^{-5}$ 

#### Using sums of log values:

$$P(+|s) = -14.32$$

$$P(-|s) = -11.31$$

#### $P(x_i | +)$

I	0.0833
a	0.1250
acting	0.0833
good	0.1250
great	0.1250
hated	0.0417
liked	0.0833
movie	0.2083
poor	0.0417
the	0.0833

$$P(x_i \mid -)$$

0.1250
0.0625
0.1250
0.0625
0.0625
0.1250
0.0625
0.1250
0.1250
0.1250

## Naïve Bayes Performance

- Very fast, low storage requirements
- Robust to irrelevant features
  - irrelevant features cancel out each other without affecting results
- Performs well in domains with many equally important features
- Optimal if the independence assumption holds
- Overall, a good dependable baseline for text classification
  - but there are other classifiers that give better accuracy

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## System Testing Outcomes

- Consider a binary classifier
- It can "select" as a positive instance
  - a document that should be selected
  - a document that should not be selected

- ← tp ("true positive")
- ← fp ("false positive")

- It can fail to select as a positive instance
  - a document that should not be selected
  - a document that should be selected

- ← tn ("true negative")
- ← fn ("false negative")

• 2-by-2 contingency table

	should select	should not select
is selected	tp	fp
is not selected	fn	tn

#### **Precision and Recall**

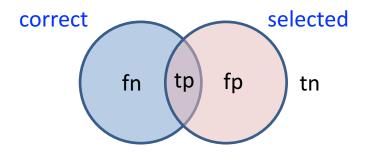
	should select	should not select
is selected	tp	fp
is not selected	fn	tn

#### Precision

% of selected items that are correct = tp / (tp + fp)

#### Recall

% of correct items that are selected = tp / (tp + fn )



#### The F measure

- Precision and recall are competing measures
  - a system can have high precision, but very low recall
  - a system can have high recall, but very low precision
- F measure
  - a measure that assessed the tradeoff between precision and recall
  - is the weighted harmonic mean

$$F_{\beta} = \frac{1}{\alpha \frac{1}{P} + (1 - \alpha) \frac{1}{R}} = \frac{(\beta^2 + 1)PR}{\beta^2 P + R}$$

• F<sub>1</sub> score is typically used (i. e.,  $\beta = 1$ , so  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ ):  $F_1 = \frac{2PR}{P+R}$ 

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#### Multivalue Classification

- Multivalue ("any-of") classification
  - document can belong to 0, 1, or >1 classes

- Use multiple binary classifiers
  - for each class  $c \in C$
  - build a classifier  $\gamma_c$  to distinguish c from other classes c'  $\in C$
  - given a test document d
    - evaluate it for membership in each class c using  $\gamma_c$
    - d belongs to *every* class for which  $\gamma_c$  returns true

#### Multinomial Classification

- Multinomial ("one-of") classification
  - classes are mutually exclusive
  - document belongs to exactly one class
- Use multiple binary classifiers
  - for each class  $c \in C$
  - build a classifier  $\gamma_c$  to distinguish c from other classes c'  $\in C$
  - given a test document d
    - evaluate it for membership in each class c using  $\gamma_c$
    - d belongs to the class for which  $\gamma_c$  returns the **maximum score**

#### Confusion matrix c

• When there are several classes, a member of one class may be incorrectly categorized as a member of another class

	Assigned politics	Assigned finance	Assigned sports	Assigned entertainment
True politics	tp			
True finance		tp		
True sports			tp	
True entertainment				tp

- Entries along main diagonal are true positives
- Entries in other cells are false positive for assigned class, and false negatives for true class

#### Per class evaluation measures

#### Recall

fraction of docs in class i classified correctly

$$= \frac{c_{ii}}{\sum_{j} c_{ij}}$$

#### Precision

 fraction of docs assigned class i that should be class i

$$= \frac{c_{ii}}{\sum_{j} c_{ji}}$$

#### Accuracy

- fraction of docs that are classified correctly
- = 1 error rate

$$= \frac{\sum_i c_{ii}}{\sum_j \sum_i c_{ij}}$$

## Micro- vs. Macro-Averaging

- How to combine performace from all classes, or to combine results from multiple splits when cross-validating
  - Macro-averaging
    - compute performance for each class, then average
    - i.e., average all the precision values to get overall precision
  - Micro-averaging
    - include data from all classes to compute overall performace
    - i.e., add all true positives and false positives to compute global recall

## **Example: Combined Precision**

Consider these contingency tables:

Class 1

	Truth: yes	Truth : no
Classifier: yes	10	10
Classifier: no	10	970

Class 2

	Truth : yes	Truth : no
Classifier: yes	90	10
Classifier: no	10	890

#### Micro-average

	Truth : yes	Truth : no
Classifier: yes	100	20
Classifier: no	20	1860

- Macro-averaged precision: (0.5 + 0.9)/2 = 0.7
- Micro-averaged precision: 100 /120 = 0.83

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#### Practical Issue: Underflow Prevention

- Multiplying many probabilities can result in floating-point underflow
- Better to sum logs of probabilities instead of multiplying the probabilities
  - since log(xy) = log(x) + log(y)
- The class with the highest un-normalized log probability score is still the most probable

$$c_{NB} = argmax_{c_j \in C} \left[ \log P(c_j) + \sum_{i} \log P(x_i | c_j) \right]$$

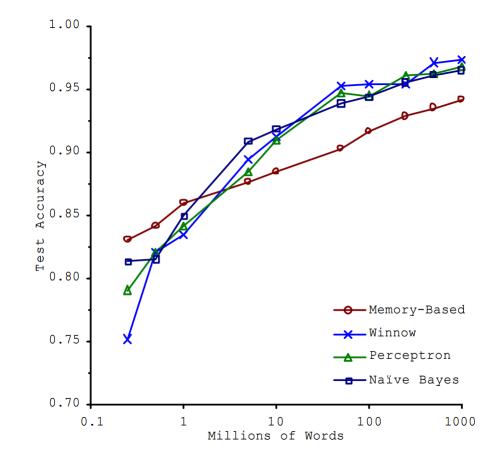
Note: these values will all be negative

## Practical Issue: Data Availability

- The type of text classification we can do often depends on the available data
  - No training data
    - generally use hand-coded rules
    - need careful crafting, generally very time-consuming
  - Very little training data
    - use Naïve Bayes
    - try semi-supervised methods e.g., bootstrapping
  - A reasonable amount of data
    - SVMs, Logistic regression, decision trees
  - Huge amount of data (highest accuracy)
    - SVMs (train time) and k-NN (test time) can be too slow
    - Naïve Bayes can be useful here

# Accuracy as a Function of Data Size

With enough data, the classifier may not matter



source:
Banko and Brill (2001)
paper on WSD