

## Naive Bayes Classifier

(Brief Intro: to be continued in the next lecture)

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  - $p(C_k)$ : Constant (e.g., Bernoulli)
- Conditional probability of data given the class
  - Naive Bayes assumption:  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)$  is factorized  
(Each coordinate of  $\mathbf{x}$  is conditionally independent of other coordinates given the class label)

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_M | C_k) = P(x_1 | C_k) \cdots P(x_M | C_k) = \prod_{j=1}^M P(x_j | C_k)$$

- Classification: use Bayes rule

$$(\text{binary}) \quad P(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{P(C_1, \mathbf{x})}{P(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{P(C_1, \mathbf{x})}{P(C_1, \mathbf{x}) + P(C_2, \mathbf{x})}$$

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## Naive Bayes classifier

- When classifying, we can simply find the class  $C_k$  that maximizes  $P(C_k | \mathbf{x})$  using the Bayes rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \max_k P(C_k | \mathbf{x}) &= \arg \max_k P(C_k, \mathbf{x}) \\ &= \arg \max_k P(C_k) P(\mathbf{x} | C_k) \\ \text{Naive Bayes assumption} &\rightarrow = \arg \max_k P(C_k) \prod_{j=1}^M P(x_j | C_k) \end{aligned}$$

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## Example: Naive Bayes for real-valued inputs

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  - $p(C_k)$ : Constant (e.g., Bernoulli)
- Conditional probability of data given the class
  - Naive Bayes assumption:  $P(\mathbf{x} | C_k)$  is factorized (e.g., 1D Gaussian)

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_1, \dots, x_M | C_k) &= P(x_1 | C_k) \cdots P(x_M | C_k) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^M P(x_j | C_k) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^M \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_j^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x_j - \mu_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

– Note: this is equivalent to GDA with diagonal covariance!!

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## Comparison: Discriminative vs. Generative

- The *generative* approach is typically model-based, and it can generate synthetic data from  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)$ .
  - By comparing the synthetic data and real data, we get a sense of how good the generative model is.
- The *discriminative* approach will typically have fewer parameters to estimate and have less assumptions about data distribution.
  - Linear (e.g. logistic regression) v/s quadratic (e.g., Gaussian discriminant analysis) in the dimension of the input.
  - Less generative assumptions about the data (however, constructing the features may require domain knowledge)

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## Example: Spam mail classification

- Label:  $y=1$  (spam),  $y=0$  (non-spam)
- Features:
  - $x_j$ :  $j$ -th word in the mail, where  $M$  is the vocabulary size.
  - Multinomial variable ( $M$ -dimensional binary vector with only one coordinate with 1)
- Naive Bayes Assumption:
  - Given a class label  $y$ , each word in a mail is a independent multinomial variable.

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## Naive Bayes Spam classifier

- Model

$$\begin{aligned} P(y) &= \text{Bernoulli}(\phi) \\ P(\text{word} | \text{spam}) &= \text{Multinomial}(\mu_1^s, \dots, \mu_M^s) \\ P(\text{word} | \text{nospam}) &= \text{Multinomial}(\mu_1^{ns}, \dots, \mu_M^{ns}) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(\text{word} | \text{nospam})$$

$$P(\text{word} | \text{spam}) \sim \text{Multinomial}(0.001, 0.01, 0.001, 0.001)$$

Showing top 17 of 88 possible words

dear	funding	icmi	mail
manuscript	neurips	proposals	requests
teaching	version	visiting	week

top words from my non-spam emails

Showing top 15 of 1077 possible words

choice	congratulations	deals
exclusive	gift	limited
plan	sale	select

top words from my spam emails

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## Naive Bayes Spam classifier

### Model

$$P(\text{spam}) = \text{Bernoulli}(\phi)$$

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### Goal

Find  $\phi, \mu^s, \mu^{ns}$  that best fits the data  $\{(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^{(N)}, y^{(N)})\}$  by maximizing the joint likelihood:

$$\prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$$

- Joint Likelihood (joint probability of inputs/labels)
  - Note that the joint likelihood is conditioned on parameters  $\phi, \mu^s, \mu^{ns}$

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$$\prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)})$$

$$= \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=1} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right) \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=0} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right)$$

Spam Non-spam

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## Naive Bayes Spam classifier

### Likelihood - spam

$$\left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=1} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right)$$

$x_k^{(i)}$  ← i-th mail  
                    ↘ k-th word

### Naive Bayes assumption:

$$P(\text{spam}) = \text{Bernoulli}(\phi)$$

$$P(\text{word}|\text{spam}) = \text{Multinomial}(\mu_1^s, \dots, \mu_M^s)$$

$$P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}=1) = \prod_{k=1}^{\text{len}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} P(x_k^{(i)}|y^{(i)}=1)$$

$$= \prod_{k=1}^{\text{len}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} \prod_{j=1}^M (\mu_j^s)^{\mathbb{I}(x_k^{(i)} = \text{"j"th word})}$$

value =  $\mu_j^s$

$$P(y^{(i)}=1) = \phi$$

value =  $\mu_j^s$  where j is the order of  $x_k^{(i)}$  in the word

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### Likelihood - spam (cont')

$$\left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=1} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right)$$

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word

$$\Rightarrow \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=1} \prod_{k=1}^{\text{len}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} \prod_{j=1}^M (\mu_j^s)^{\mathbb{I}(x_k^{(i)} = \text{"j"th word})} \right) \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=1} \phi \right)$$

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$$= \left( \prod_{j=1}^M (\mu_j^s)^{\sum_{i:y^{(i)}=1} \sum_{k=1}^{\text{len}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} \mathbb{I}(x_k^{(i)} = \text{"j"th word})} \right) \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=1} \phi \right)$$

$$= \left( \prod_{j=1}^M (\mu_j^s)^{N_j^{\text{spam}}} \right) \phi^{N^{\text{spam}}}$$

**Definition:**  
 $N_j^{\text{spam}}$ : total # examples for spam  
 $N_j^{\text{spam}}$ : total # of word j from the entire spam emails

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### Likelihood - non-spam

$$\left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=0} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right) \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=0} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right)$$

### Similarly for non-spam mails,

$$P(\text{spam}) = \text{Bernoulli}(\phi)$$

$$P(\text{word}|\text{nonspam}) = \text{Multinomial}(\mu_1^{ns}, \dots, \mu_M^{ns})$$

$$P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}=0) = \prod_{k=1}^{\text{len}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} P(x_k^{(i)}|y^{(i)}=0)$$

$$= \prod_{k=1}^{\text{len}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} \prod_{j=1}^M (\mu_j^{ns})^{\mathbb{I}(x_k^{(i)} = \text{"j"th word})}$$

$$P(y^{(i)}=0) = 1 - \phi$$

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## Maximum likelihood estimation

### Putting together:

$$\prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$$

$$= \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=1} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right) \left( \prod_{i:y^{(i)}=0} P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) P(y^{(i)}) \right)$$

$$= \left( \phi^{N^{\text{spam}}} \prod_{\text{word } j} (\mu_j^s)^{N_j^{\text{spam}}} \right) \left( (1 - \phi)^{N^{\text{nonspam}}} \prod_{\text{word } j} (\mu_j^{ns})^{N_j^{\text{nonspam}}} \right)$$

#### Recall:

$N^{\text{spam}}$ : total # examples for spam  
 $N^{\text{nonspam}}$ : total # examples for non-spam

$N_j^{\text{spam}}$ : total # word j from the entire spam emails

$N_j^{\text{nonspam}}$ : total # word j from the entire nonspam emails

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### Joint Log-likelihood

$$\log P(\mathcal{D})$$

$$= \log \prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$$

$$= N^{\text{spam}} \log \phi + \sum_{\text{word } j} N_j^{\text{spam}} \log \mu_j^s + N^{\text{nonspam}} \log(1 - \phi) + \sum_{\text{word } j} N_j^{\text{nonspam}} \log \mu_j^{ns}$$

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## Maximum likelihood estimation

### Joint Log-likelihood

$$\begin{aligned} \log P(\mathcal{D}) &= \log \prod_{i=1}^N P(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \\ &= N^{spam} \log \phi + \sum_{word\ j} N_j^{spam} \log \mu_j^s + N^{nonsпам} \log(1 - \phi) + \sum_{word\ j} N_j^{nonsпам} \log \mu_j^{ns} \end{aligned}$$

### Maximum-likelihood

- Take the derivative of log-likelihood w.r.t. the parameters, and set it to zero.

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## Maximum likelihood estimation

From  $\frac{\partial l}{\partial \phi} = \frac{1}{\phi} N^{spam} - \frac{1}{1-\phi} N^{nonsпам} = 0$

We get  $\phi = \frac{N^{spam}}{N^{spam} + N^{nonsпам}}$

### Removing dependent variables:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{word\ j=1}^M N_j^{spam} \log \mu_j^s &= \sum_{word\ j=1}^{M-1} N_j^{spam} \log \mu_j^s + N_M^{spam} \log(1 - \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} \mu_j^s) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_j^s} \left( \sum_{word\ j=1}^M N_j^{spam} \log \mu_j^s \right) &= \frac{N_j^{spam}}{\mu_j^s} - \frac{N_M^{spam}}{1 - \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} \mu_j^s} = 0 \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_j \mu_j^s &= 1 \\ \sum_j \mu_j^{ns} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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## Maximum likelihood estimation

### Summary:

$$\begin{aligned} P(spam) &= \phi = \frac{N^{spam}}{N^{spam} + N^{nonsпам}} \\ P(word = j | spam) &= \mu_j^s = \frac{N_j^{spam}}{\sum_j N_j^{spam}} \\ P(word = j | non-spam) &= \mu_j^{ns} = \frac{N_j^{nonsпам}}{\sum_j N_j^{nonsпам}} \end{aligned}$$

#### Recall:

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## Laplace Smoothing

- Maximum likelihood is problematic when a specific word count is 0
  - Leads to probability of 0!
- Solution: Put "imaginary" counts for each word
  - prevent zero probability estimates (overfitting)!
  - E.g.: Adding "1" as imaginary count for each word

$$\begin{aligned} P(spam) &= \phi = \frac{N^{spam}}{N^{spam} + N^{nonsпам}} \\ P(word = j | spam) &= \mu_j^s = \frac{N_j^{spam} + 1}{\sum_j N_j^{spam} + M} \\ P(word = j | non-spam) &= \mu_j^{ns} = \frac{N_j^{nonsпам} + 1}{\sum_j N_j^{nonsпам} + M} \end{aligned}$$

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