

Bayes' Theorem: Basics

- Total probability Theorem: $P(B) = \sum_{i=1}^M P(B|A_i)P(A_i)$
- Bayes' Theorem:
$$P(H|\mathbf{X}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{X}|H)P(H)}{P(\mathbf{X})} = P(\mathbf{X}|H) \times P(H)/P(\mathbf{X})$$
 - Let \mathbf{X} be a data sample ("evidence"): class label is unknown
 - Let H be a *hypothesis* that \mathbf{X} belongs to class C
 - Classification is to determine $P(H|\mathbf{X})$, (i.e., *posteriori probability*): the probability that the hypothesis holds given the observed data sample \mathbf{X}
 - $P(H)$ (*prior probability*): the initial probability
 - E.g., \mathbf{X} will buy computer, regardless of age, income, ...
 - $P(\mathbf{X})$: probability that sample data is observed
 - $P(\mathbf{X}|H)$ (*likelihood*): the probability of observing the sample \mathbf{X} , given that the hypothesis holds
 - E.g., Given that \mathbf{X} will buy computer, the prob. that \mathbf{X} is 31..40, medium income

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Prediction Based on Bayes' Theorem

- Given training data \mathbf{X} , *posteriori probability* of a hypothesis H , $P(H|\mathbf{X})$, follows the Bayes' theorem

$$P(H|\mathbf{X}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{X}|H)P(H)}{P(\mathbf{X})} = P(\mathbf{X}|H) \times P(H)/P(\mathbf{X})$$

- Informally, this can be viewed as
 - posteriori = likelihood x prior/evidence
- Predicts \mathbf{X} belongs to C_i iff the probability $P(C_i|\mathbf{X})$ is the highest among all the $P(C_k|\mathbf{X})$ for all the k classes
- Practical difficulty: It requires initial knowledge of many probabilities, involving significant computational cost

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Classification Is to Derive the Maximum Posteriori

- Let D be a training set of tuples and their associated class labels, and each tuple is represented by an n-D attribute vector $\mathbf{X} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
- Suppose there are m classes C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m .
- Classification is to derive the maximum posteriori, i.e., the maximal $P(C_i|\mathbf{X})$
- This can be derived from Bayes' theorem

$$P(C_i|\mathbf{X}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i)}{P(\mathbf{X})}$$

- Since $P(\mathbf{X})$ is constant for all classes, only

$$P(C_i|\mathbf{X}) = P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i)$$

needs to be maximized

Naïve Bayes Classifier

- A simplified assumption: attributes are conditionally independent (i.e., no dependence relation between attributes): $P(\mathbf{X}|C_i) = \prod_{k=1}^n P(x_k|C_i) = P(x_1|C_i) \times P(x_2|C_i) \times \dots \times P(x_n|C_i)$
- This greatly reduces the computation cost: Only counts the class distribution
- If A_k is categorical, $P(x_k|C_i)$ is the # of tuples in C_i having value x_k for A_k divided by $|C_{i,D}|$ (# of tuples of C_i in D)
- If A_k is continuous-valued, $P(x_k|C_i)$ is usually computed based on Gaussian distribution with a mean μ and standard deviation σ

and $P(x_k|C_i)$ is

$$g(x, \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$P(\mathbf{X}|C_i) = g(x_k, \mu_{C_i}, \sigma_{C_i})$$

Naïve Bayes Classifier: Training Dataset

Class:

C1:buys_computer = 'yes'
C2:buys_computer = 'no'

Data to be classified:

X = (age <=30,
Income = medium,
Student = yes
Credit_rating = Fair)

age	income	student	credit rating	com
<=30	high	no	fair	no
<=30	high	no	excellent	no
31...40	high	no	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	excellent	no
31...40	low	yes	excellent	yes
<=30	medium	no	fair	no
<=30	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	medium	yes	fair	yes
<=30	medium	yes	excellent	yes
31...40	medium	no	excellent	yes
31...40	high	yes	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	excellent	no

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Naïve Bayes Classifier: An Example

■ We need to compute:

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow P(\text{buys_comp}=\text{"yes"} | \text{age} \leq 30, \text{Inc} = \text{med}, \text{Stud} = \text{yes}, \text{CR}=\text{Fair}) &=? \\ \rightarrow P(\text{buys_comp}=\text{"no"} | \text{age} \leq 30, \text{Inc} = \text{med}, \text{Stud} = \text{yes}, \text{CR}=\text{Fair}) &=? \end{aligned}$$

■ According to Naïve Bayes assumption these will be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{buys_comp}=\text{yes} | \text{age} \leq 30, \text{Inc} = \text{med}, \text{Stud} = \text{yes}, \text{CR}=\text{Fair}) &\Rightarrow \\ P(\text{age} \leq 30 | \text{buys_comp}=\text{yes}) * P(\text{inc}=\text{med} | \text{buys_comp}=\text{yes}) * \\ P(\text{stud}=\text{yes} | \text{buys_comp}=\text{yes}) * P(\text{cr}=\text{fair} | \text{buys_comp}=\text{yes}) * \\ P(\text{buys_com}=\text{yes}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{buys_comp}=\text{no} | \text{age} \leq 30, \text{Inc} = \text{med}, \text{Stud} = \text{yes}, \text{CR}=\text{Fair}) &= \\ P(\text{age} \leq 30 | \text{buys_comp}=\text{no}) * P(\text{inc}=\text{med} | \text{buys_comp}=\text{no}) * \\ P(\text{stud}=\text{yes} | \text{buys_comp}=\text{no}) * P(\text{cr}=\text{fair} | \text{buys_comp}=\text{no}) * \\ P(\text{buys_com}=\text{no}) \end{aligned}$$

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$$P(\text{buys_comp=yes} | \text{age} \leq 30, \text{Inc} = \text{med}, \text{Stud} = \text{yes}, \text{CR} = \text{Fair}) = \\ P(\text{age} \leq 30 | \text{buys_comp=yes}) * P(\text{inc=med} | \text{buys_comp=yes}) * \\ P(\text{stud=yes} | \text{buys_comp=yes}) * P(\text{cr=fair} | \text{buys_comp=yes}) * \\ P(\text{buys_comp=yes})$$

$$P(\text{buys_computer} = \text{"yes"}) = 9/14 = 0.643 \\ P(\text{age} \leq 30 | \text{buys_comp=yes}) = 2/9 = 0.222 \\ P(\text{inc=med} | \text{buys_comp=yes}) = 4/9 = 0.444 \\ P(\text{stud=yes} | \text{buys_comp=yes}) = 6/9 = 0.667 \\ P(\text{CR=fair} | \text{buys_comp=yes}) = 6/9 = 0.667$$

age	income	student	credit_rating	comp
<=30	high	no	fair	no
<=30	high	no	excellent	no
31...40	high	no	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	excellent	no
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<=30	medium	no	fair	no
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$X \in (\text{age} \leq 30, \text{inc} = \text{med}, \text{student} = \text{yes}, \text{CR} = \text{fair})$

$P(X|C_i) :$

- ① $P(X|\text{buys_comp} = \text{"yes"}) = 0.222 \times 0.444 \times 0.667 \times 0.667 = 0.044$
- ② $P(X|\text{buys_comp} = \text{"no"}) = 0.6 \times 0.4 \times 0.2 \times 0.4 = 0.019$

$P(X|C_i) * P(C_i) :$

- ① $P(X|\text{buys_comp} = \text{"yes"}) * P(\text{buys_comp} = \text{"yes"}) = 0.028$
- ② $P(X|\text{buys_comp} = \text{"no"}) * P(\text{buys_comp} = \text{"no"}) = 0.007$

Therefore, X belongs to class ("buys_computer = yes")



- Classify tuple:

$X = (\text{age} \geq 40,$

$\text{Income} = \text{low},$

$\text{Student} = \text{yes}$

$\text{CR} = \text{excellent})$

- Find:

$$P(b_c=\text{yes}|X)=?$$

$$P(b_c=\text{no}|X)=?$$

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$$X = (\text{age} \geq 40, \text{Inc} = \text{low}, \text{Stu} = \text{y}, \text{CR} = \text{ex})$$

$$P(b_c=\text{yes}|X) = P(\text{age} \geq 40 | b_c=\text{yes}) * \\ P(\text{inc} = \text{low} | b_c=\text{yes}) * P(\text{stu} = \text{y} | b_c=\text{yes}) * \\ P(\text{CD} = \text{ex} | b_c=\text{yes}) * P(b_c=\text{yes})$$

$$P(b_c=\text{yes}|X) = 3/9 * 3/9 * 6/9 * 3/9 * 9/14$$

$$P(b_c=\text{no}|X) = P(\text{age} \geq 40 | b_c=\text{no}) * \\ P(\text{inc} = \text{low} | b_c=\text{no}) * P(\text{stu} = \text{y} | b_c=\text{no}) * \\ P(\text{CD} = \text{ex} | b_c=\text{no}) * P(b_c=\text{no})$$

$$P(b_c=\text{no}|X) = 2/5 * 1/5 * 4/5 * 3/5 * 5/14$$

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Avoiding the Zero-Probability Problem

- Naïve Bayesian prediction requires each conditional prob. be **non-zero**. Otherwise, the predicted prob. will be zero

$$P(X | C_i) = \prod_{k=1}^n P(x_k | C_i)$$

- Ex. Suppose a dataset with 1000 tuples, income=low (0), income= medium (990), and income = high (10)

- Use **Laplacian correction** (or Laplacian estimator)

- Adding 1 to each case

$$\text{Prob(income = low)} = 1/1003$$

$$\text{Prob(income = medium)} = 991/1003$$

$$\text{Prob(income = high)} = 11/1003$$

- The "corrected" prob. estimates are close to their "uncorrected" counterparts

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$X=(\text{age}=31-40, \text{Inc}=\text{low}, \text{Stu}=y, \text{CR}=ex)$

(1) $P(b_c=yes|X)=P(\text{age}=31-40|b_c=yes)*P(\text{inc}=\text{low}|b_c=yes)*P(\text{stu}=y|b_c=yes)*P(\text{CD}=ex|b_c=yes)*P(b_c=yes)$

$$P(b_c=yes|X)=4/9 * 3/9 * 6/9 * 3/9 * 9/14$$

(2) $P(b_c=no|X)=P(\text{age}=31-40|b_c=no)*P(\text{inc}=\text{low}|b_c=no)*P(\text{stu}=y|b_c=no)*P(\text{CD}=ex|b_c=no)*P(b_c=no)$

$$P(b_c=no|X)=0/5 * 1/5 * 4/5 * 3/5 * 5/14$$

Thus,

$$P(b_c=no|X)=1/8 * 1/5 * 4/5 * 3/5 * 5/14$$

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<=30	high	no	excellent		no
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>40	low	yes	fair		yes
>40	low	yes	excellent		no
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<=30	low	yes	fair		yes
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31...40	high	yes	fair		yes
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Classification: Mammals vs. 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
rog	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
oromo	no	no	no	yes	non-mammals
bat	yes	yes	no	yes	mammals
pigeon	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals
bat	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
leopard shark	yes	no	yes	no	non-mammals
urtle	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
penguin	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
porcupine	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
el	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
wlf	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals
dolphin	yes	no	yes	no	mammals
ape	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals

- Train the model (learn the parameters) using the given data set.
- Apply the learned model on new cases.

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Predict class for (GiveBirth=yes, CanFly=no, LivesinWater=yes, HaveLegs=no)

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Naïve Bayes Classifier: Comments

- Advantages
 - Easy to implement
 - Good results obtained in most of the cases
- Disadvantages
 - Assumption: class conditional independence, therefore loss of accuracy
 - Practically, dependencies exist among variables
 - E.g., hospitals: patients: Profile: age, family history, etc. Symptoms: fever, cough etc., Disease: lung cancer, diabetes, etc.
 - Dependencies among these cannot be modeled by Naïve Bayes Classifier
 - How to deal with these dependencies? Bayesian Belief Networks

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