

## Conditional Probability:

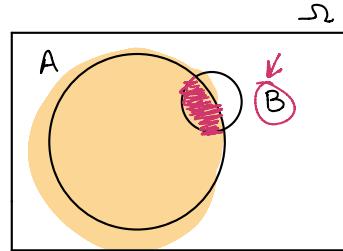
$$\boxed{P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}}$$

$$P(A|B) \neq P(B|A)$$

Interpretation

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$



$$P(B|A)$$



$$\approx 0.2$$

$$P(A|B)$$



$$\approx 0.5$$

Problem:

- A disease is prevalent in 0.2% of a population.
- We have a test that, given to a sick person, gives a +ve result 85% of the time.
- Of all the people ever tested, 8% were positive.

Q: If Nazo is tested and test comes back positive, what are the chances that she actually has the disease?

85%

77%

21%

2%

$$P(\text{Disease}) = \underline{0.002}$$

$0.2\%$

(\*) Event "Disease" is difficult to measure directly!

$$P(\text{Pos} | \text{Disease}) = \underline{0.85}$$

Event "Pos" is relatively easier to measure

$$P(\text{Pos}) = \underline{0.08}$$

$$P(\text{Disease} | \text{Pos}) = ?$$

$$\rightarrow P(\text{B} | \text{A}) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

$$P(A | B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A | B) * P(B)$$

$$P(\text{B} | \text{A}) = \frac{P(A | B) * P(B)}{P(A)}$$

$$P(\text{Disease} | \text{Pos}) = \frac{P(\text{Pos} | \text{Disease}) * P(\text{Disease})}{P(\text{Pos})}$$

$$= \frac{(0.85)(0.002)}{0.08}$$

$$= 0.021$$

$$\underline{\underline{2.1\%}}$$

$$P(\text{Disease} | \text{Pos}) = \frac{P(\text{Pos} | \text{Disease}) P(\text{Disease})}{P(\text{Pos})}$$

↑  
after

↑ likelihood      prior      ← before

$$P(\text{Disease}) = 0.002$$

— Prior belief

$$P(\text{Pos} | \text{Disease}) = 0.85$$

— Result of experiment

$$P(\text{Pos}) = 0.08$$

$$P(\text{Disease} | \text{Pos}) = 0.21$$

— Updated belief

⊗ You start off with some belief and update it based on some experiment!

This is the "Bayes' Rule" of inference.

$$\rightarrow P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B) P(B)}{P(A)}$$

Classical Statistics →

→ Bayesian " → "

# Applying Bayes' Rule to Spam Detection.

- " You have inherited a million dollars." ← Spam
- " There will be a meeting at noon." ← not-spam
- Assumption : We have a dataset of spam emails.
- Need to find whether a piece of text is spam.
- Let's first consider a single word.

$$P(\text{Spam}|w) = \frac{P(w|\text{spam}) P(\text{spam})}{P(w)}$$

Annotations:

- "how frequently does this word appear in spam?"
- "How much spam is there in the world?"
- "Given that this word appears, how likely is it that the message is spam?"
- from dataset. "How frequent is this word?"

$$P(\text{spam}) = \frac{\# \text{ of spam messages}}{\# \text{ of all messages}}$$

$\frac{100}{500}$

$$P(w|\text{spam}) = \frac{\# \text{ of times this word appears in spam}}{\# \text{ of spam messages}}$$

$$P(w) = \frac{\# \text{ of times this word appears}}{\# \text{ of total messages}}$$

- Now, do this for all words
  - $P(\text{spam} \mid \text{words}) = P(\text{spam} \mid w_1) * P(\text{spam} \mid w_2) * \dots * P(\text{spam} \mid w_n)$
- $P(\text{spam} \mid \text{words}) = \prod_{i=1}^{|w|} P(\text{spam} \mid w_i)$
- words — independent  
 "Naïve Bayes Model"

$$\prod_{i=1}^n P(\text{spam} \mid w_i)$$