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Using Bayes' rule, we find the largest among

$$\frac{P(x|y=1)P(y=1)}{P(x)}$$
,  $\frac{P(x|y=2)P(y=2)}{P(x)}$ ,  $\frac{P(x|y=3)P(y=3)}{P(x)}$ 

Good news! we don't need to compute P(x) if we only care about predictions.

#### Classification

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# Example

#### Wine classification



- A bottle of wine with no label, only know chemical features.
- ▶ What kind of wine is it from 1, 2 and 3?

#### Wine dataset

Training set of 130 wine bottles.

- ► Class 1: 43 bottles
- ► Class 2: 51 bottles
- Class 3: 36 bottles
- ▶ 13 Features: *Alcohol*, *Malic Acid*,... but we will use *Alcohol* only.

...and a test set of 48 bottles.

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$$P(y = 1) = \frac{\text{\# of type 1 bottles}}{\text{\# of all bottles}} = \frac{n_1}{n}$$

$$P(y = 2) = \frac{\text{\# of type 2 bottles}}{\text{\# of all bottles}} = \frac{n_2}{n}$$

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We infer these values from the training set.

$$P(y = 1) = \frac{43}{130} = 0.33$$

$$P(y = 2) = \frac{51}{130} = 0.39$$

$$P(y = 3) = \frac{36}{130} = 0.28$$

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How can we compute P(x|y=1) etc.?

We assume that x in each class is **Gaussian** distributed.

#### Gaussian distribution

j = 1, 2, 3. Suppose that the data in Class j is

$$x_{ij}: x_{1j}, x_{2j}, \ldots, x_{n_j j}.$$

The density function of Class j is

$$f_{\hat{\mu}_j,\hat{\sigma}_j^2}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hat{\sigma}_j^2}} e^{-(x-\hat{\mu}_j)^2/2\hat{\sigma}_j^2},$$

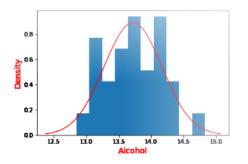
where

$$\hat{\mu}_j = \frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} x_{ij}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_j^2 = \frac{1}{n_j - 1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (x_{ij} - \hat{\mu}_j)^2$$

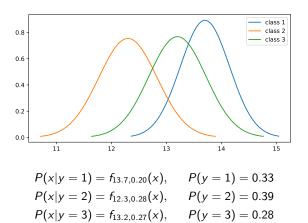
#### Distribution of class 1

#### Histogram of class 1:



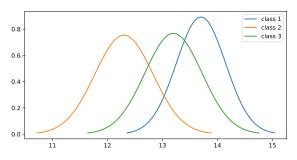
Class 1: Mean  $\hat{\mu}_1 = 13.72$ , Variance  $\hat{\sigma}_1^2 = 0.20$ Class 2: Mean  $\hat{\mu}_2 = 12.3$ , Variance  $\hat{\sigma}_2^2 = 0.28$ Class 3: Mean  $\hat{\mu}_3 = 13.2$ , Variance  $\hat{\sigma}_3^2 = 0.27$ 

#### **Predictions**



Pick  $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  with the largest P(x|y=j)P(y=j).

# Example



#### Example: x = 12

$$P(12|y=1) = 0.0006,$$
  $P(y=1) = 0.33$   
 $P(12|y=2) = 0.6420,$   $P(y=2) = 0.39$   
 $P(12|y=3) = 0.0533,$   $P(y=3) = 0.28$ 

# Model evaluation

### Imbalanced data

# Example:

both have 90% accuracy, but which model would you prefer?

#### Prediction errors

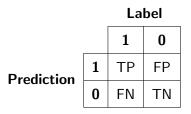
A model can make two types of error:

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► Type 1: **False Positive** (0 classified as 1) Ex: False alarm

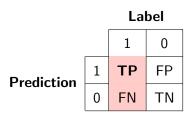
► Type 2: **False Negative** (1 classified as 0) Ex: Dangerous items passing a security check

#### Confusion matrix



- ▶ True Positive: an instance correctly classified as 1
- ► True Negative: an instance correctly classified as 0

#### True Positive Rate

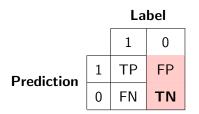


True Positive Rate (Recall or Sensitivity):

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

i.e. proportion of positives that are correctly classified as positives

# True Negative Rate

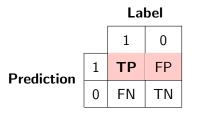


True Negative Rate (Specificity):

$$TNR = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

i.e. proportion of negatives that are correctly classified as negatives

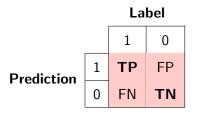
#### Precision



Precision 
$$=\frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

i.e. proportion of positive predictions that are actually positive

# Accuracy



$$\mbox{Accuracy } = \frac{\mbox{TP} + \mbox{TN}}{\mbox{TP} + \mbox{TN} + \mbox{FP} + \mbox{FN}} \label{eq:Accuracy}$$

i.e. proportion of all instances that are predicted correctly

# Example 1

Recall (TPR) = 
$$\frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$
 =
$$TNR = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$
 =
$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$
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# Example 2

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Use Precision if we only care about correct positive predictions.

Examples: Youtube video recommendation, hiring workers

But in some situation, we might want to find a balance between these two scores.

want a way to combine both Precision and Recall

## Precision & Recall

How about average of the two?

$$\frac{\text{Recall} + \text{Precision}}{2} = \frac{1 + 0.5}{2} = 0.75$$

...probably too high for such a simple model.

#### F-score

**F-score** or **F1-score** is used to find a model that has a nice balance between Precision and Recall

$$\textit{F}_{1} = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\text{Precision}} + \frac{1}{\text{Recall}}} = \frac{2 \times \text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$$

**Fact**: The value  $F_1$  is always between Precision and Recall