

Machine Learning Project

Classification of news articles

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Abstract

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1 Introduction

Describe the problem Related work here maybe? Introduction and stuff

where $f_b(A)$ is called a *Bayesian* classifier. Assuming all attributes are independent given the class,

$$p(A|c) = p(a_1, \dots, a_n|c) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i|c)$$

2 Theory

2.1 Naive Bayes classifier

Let c be the class and $A = a_1, \dots, a_n$ be the attributes of a document. Then with Bayes Theorem

$$p(c|A) = \frac{p(A|c)p(c)}{p(A)}, \quad (1)$$

the attributes A is classified as class C if and only if

$$f_b(A) = \frac{p(C|A)}{p(\neg C|A)} \geq 1, \quad (2)$$

the final classifier can be written as

$$f_{nb}(A) = \frac{p(C)}{p(\neg C)} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{p(a_i|C)}{p(a_i|\neg C)} \quad (3)$$

where f_{nb} is called the *Naive Bayesian* classifier.

Two models that uses the Naive Bayes assumption are the *multi-variate Bernoulli* model and the *multinomial* model. The main difference is that

the Bernoulli model does not take into account the frequency of a word which the multinomial model does.

3 Method

Method and stuff

4 Results

Result and stuff

5 Related work

Naive Bayes models are widely used because of it's simplicity and efficiency. A. McCallum and K. Nigam compares the two most common models, the multivariate Bernoulli and the multinomial model. They are explained in detailed both theoretically and empirically and in general the multinomial model outperforms the Bernoulli model [2].

6 Conclusions & Future work

Conclusion and stuff

References

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- [2] Harry Zhang. The Optimality of Naive Bayes, 2004.