

Naïve Bayes Classifier



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Review of Probability Theory

- Unconditional independence

$$P(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k) = \prod_{i=1}^k P(V_i | V_{i-1}, \dots, V_1) = \prod_{i=1}^k P(V_i)$$

- e.g., $P(A=a, B=b)$
 - $P(a,b)=P(ab)=P(a)P(b)$

- Conditional independence

$$P(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k | V) = \prod_{i=1}^k P(V_i | V_{i-1}, \dots, V_1, V) = \prod_{i=1}^k P(V_i | V)$$

- e.g., $P(A=a, B=b | C=c)$
 - $P(ab|c)=P(a|c)P(b|c)$

ZeroR

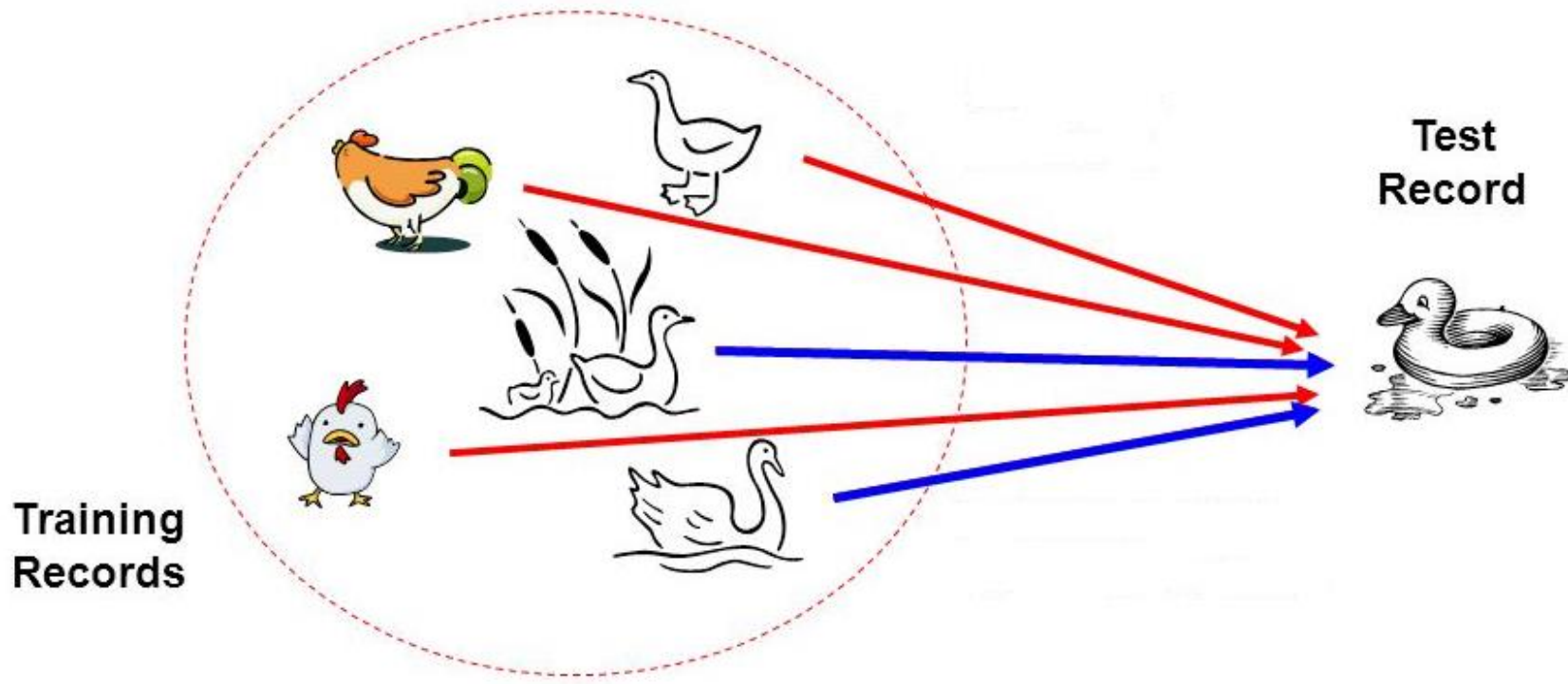
- Just answer the majority class of train data all the time

| Outlook | Temp | Humidity | Wind | Play |
|----------|------|----------|-------|------|
| Sunny | Hot | High | False | No |
| Sunny | Hot | High | True | No |
| Overcast | Hot | High | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | High | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Cool | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Cool | Normal | True | No |
| Overcast | Cool | Normal | True | Yes |
| Sunny | Mild | High | False | No |
| Sunny | Cool | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | Normal | False | Yes |
| Sunny | Mild | Normal | True | Yes |
| Overcast | Mild | High | True | Yes |
| Overcast | Hot | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | High | True | No |

- Play=No: 5/14 tuples
 - Play=Yes: 9/14 tuples
- Answer Play=Yes for every test data

Bayesian Classifier

- Principle
 - If it walks like a duck, quacks like a duck, then it is **probably** a duck



OneR: One attribute does all the work

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| Overcast | Cool | Normal | True | Yes |
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| Sunny | Cool | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | Normal | False | Yes |
| Sunny | Mild | Normal | True | Yes |
| Overcast | Mild | High | True | Yes |
| Overcast | Hot | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | High | True | No |

| Attribute | Rules | Errors | Total errors |
|-----------|----------------|--------|--------------|
| Outlook | Sunny → No | 2/5 | 4/14 |
| | Overcast → Yes | 0/4 | |
| | Rainy → Yes | 2/5 | |
| Temp | Hot → No* | 2/4 | 5/14 |
| | Mild → Yes | 2/6 | |
| | Cool → Yes | 1/4 | |
| Humidity | High → No | 3/7 | 4/14 |
| | Normal → Yes | 1/7 | |
| Wind | False → Yes | 2/8 | 5/14 |
| | True → No* | 3/6 | |

* indicates a tie

“Naïve Bayes” method

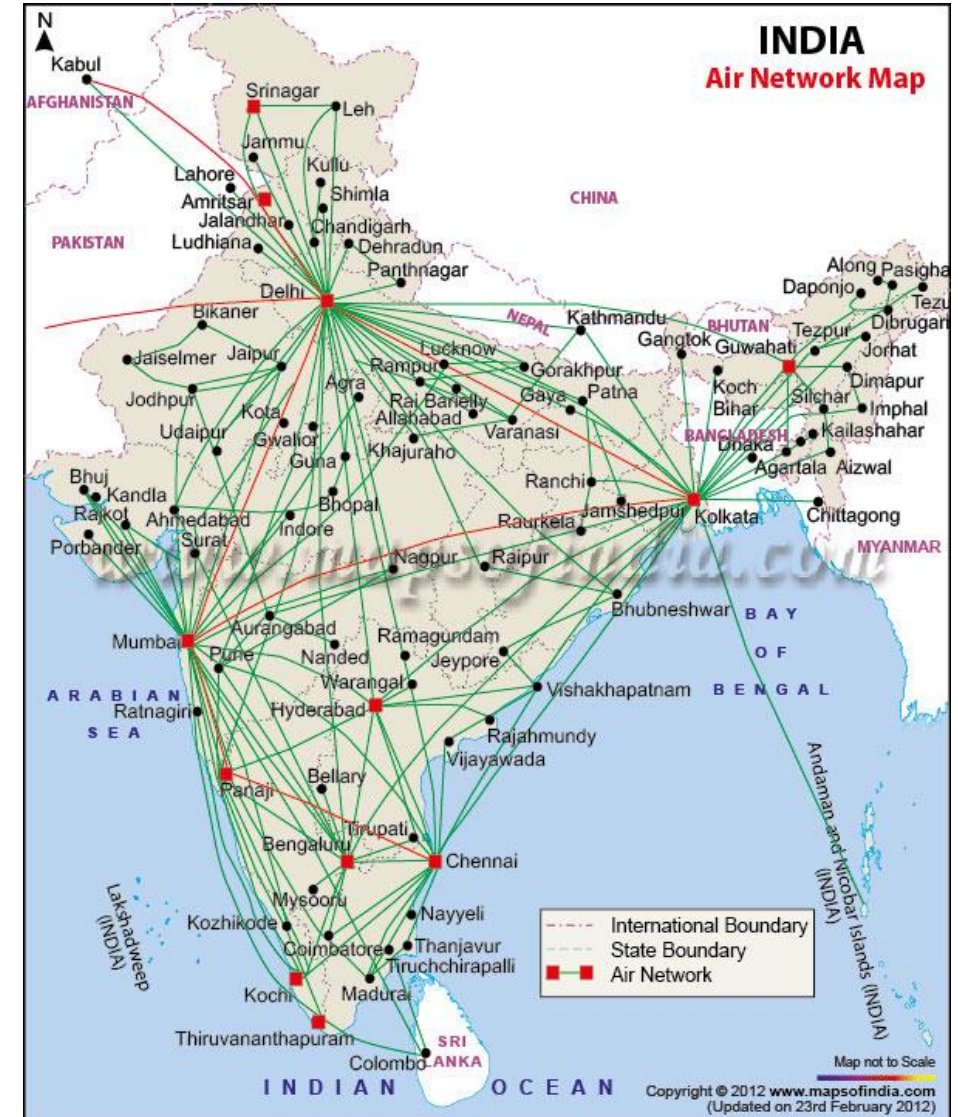
- Opposite strategy: **use all the attributes**
 - OneR: One attribute does all the work
- Two assumptions: Attributes are
 - equally important a priori
 - statistically independent (given the class value)
 - i.e., knowing the value of one attribute says nothing about the value of another (if the class is known)
- Independence assumption is never correct!
- But ... often works well in practice

Bayesian Classifiers

- A statistical classifier
 - Performs **probabilistic prediction**, i.e., predicts class membership probabilities
 - Output $p(C_1), p(C_2) \dots p(C_k)$
- Foundation
 - Based on Bayes' Theorem.
- Assumptions
 1. The classes are mutually exclusive and exhaustive.
 2. The attributes are independent given the class.
- Called "Naïve" classifier because of these assumptions.
 - Empirically proven to be useful.
 - Scales very well.

Example: Bayesian Classification

- **Example 8.2:** Air Traffic Data
 - Let us consider a set observation recorded in a database
 - Regarding the arrival of airplanes in the routes from any airport to New Delhi under certain conditions.



Air-Traffic Data

| Days | Season | Fog | Rain | Class |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| Weekday | Spring | None | None | On Time |
| Weekday | Winter | None | Slight | On Time |
| Weekday | Winter | None | None | On Time |
| Holiday | Winter | High | Slight | Late |
| Saturday | Summer | Normal | None | On Time |
| Weekday | Autumn | Normal | None | Very Late |
| Holiday | Summer | High | Slight | On Time |
| Sunday | Summer | Normal | None | On Time |
| Weekday | Winter | High | Heavy | Very Late |
| Weekday | Summer | None | Slight | On Time |

Cond. to next slide...

Air-Traffic Data

Cond. from previous slide...

| Days | Season | Fog | Rain | Class |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| Saturday | Spring | High | Heavy | Cancelled |
| Weekday | Summer | High | Slight | On Time |
| Weekday | Winter | Normal | None | Late |
| Weekday | Summer | High | None | On Time |
| Weekday | Winter | Normal | Heavy | Very Late |
| Saturday | Autumn | High | Slight | On Time |
| Weekday | Autumn | None | Heavy | On Time |
| Holiday | Spring | Normal | Slight | On Time |
| Weekday | Spring | Normal | None | On Time |
| Weekday | Spring | Normal | Heavy | On Time |

Air-Traffic Data

- In this database, there are four attributes

$A = [\text{Day, Season, Fog, Rain}]$

with 20 tuples.

- The categories of classes are:

$C = [\text{On Time, Late, Very Late, Cancelled}]$

- Given this is the knowledge of data and classes, we are to find most likely classification for any other **unseen instance**, for example:

| | | | | |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Week Day | Winter | High | None | ??? |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|------------|

- Classification technique eventually to map this tuple into an accurate class.

Bayesian Classifier

- In many applications, the relationship between the attributes set and the class variable is **non-deterministic**.
 - In other words, a test cannot be classified to a class label with certainty.
 - In such a situation, the classification can be achieved **probabilistically**.
- The Bayesian classifier is an approach for **modelling probabilistic relationships** between the attribute set and the class variable.
- More precisely, Bayesian classifier use **Bayes' Theorem of Probability** for classification.
- Before going to discuss the Bayesian classifier, we should have a quick look at the **Bayes' Theorem**.

Bayes' Theorem

What you know?

$$P(E|F)$$

$$P(\text{Test result}|\text{Disease})$$

$$P(\text{Power}|\text{Fault})$$

$$P(\text{Weather}|\text{Delay})$$

What you want to know?

$$P(F|E)$$

$$P(\text{Disease}|\text{Test result})$$

$$P(\text{Fault}|\text{Power})$$

$$P(\text{Delay}|\text{Weather})$$



Bayes Theorem

Want $P(F|E)$, Know $P(E|F)$ ■ For any events E and F where $P(E)>0$ and $P(F)>0$



$$\text{Posterior } P(F|E) = \frac{\overset{\text{Likelihood}}{P(E|F)} \overset{\text{Prior}}{P(F)}}{P(E)}$$

■ Proof)

$$P(F|E) = \frac{P(EF)}{P(E)}$$

Conditional probability

$$= \frac{P(E|F)P(F)}{P(E)}$$

Chain rule

Naïve Bayesian Classifier

$$\mathbf{X} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \xrightarrow{\text{Naïve Bayesian Classifier}} y \in \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m\}$$

- 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 needs to be maximized

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

- Due to the independent assumption,

$$P(C_i|\mathbf{X}) \propto P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^k P(x_j|C_i) \right) P(C_i)$$

Naïve Bayesian Classifier

- Given \mathbf{X}
- Output C_i which has the maximum $P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^k P(x_j|C_i) \right) P(C_i)$
- Example)

| | | | | |
|----------|--------|------|-------|-----|
| Week Day | Winter | High | Heavy | ??? |
|----------|--------|------|-------|-----|

$$P([WeekDay, Winter, High, Heavy]|On\ time)$$

$$= P(WeekDay|On\ time)P(Winter|On\ time)P(High|On\ time)P(On\ time)$$

Naïve Bayesian Classifier

$$P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^k P(x_j|C_i) \right) P(C_i)$$

- **Example:** With reference to the Air Traffic Dataset mentioned earlier, let us tabulate all the posterior and prior probabilities as shown below.

| | | Class | | | |
|-----------|----------|-------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Attribute | | On Time | Late | Very Late | Cancelled |
| Day | Weekday | 9/14 = 0.64 | 1/2 = 0.5 | 3/3 = 1 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | Saturday | 2/14 = 0.14 | 1/2 = 0.5 | 0/3 = 0 | 1/1 = 1 |
| | Sunday | 1/14 = 0.07 | 0/2 = 0 | 0/3 = 0 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | Holiday | 2/14 = 0.14 | 0/2 = 0 | 0/3 = 0 | 0/1 = 0 |
| Season | Spring | 4/14 = 0.29 | 0/2 = 0 | 0/3 = 0 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | Summer | 6/14 = 0.43 | 0/2 = 0 | 0/3 = 0 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | Autumn | 2/14 = 0.14 | 0/2 = 0 | 1/3 = 0.33 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | Winter | 2/14 = 0.14 | 2/2 = 1 | 2/3 = 0.67 | 0/1 = 0 |

Naïve Bayesian Classifier

$$P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^k P(x_j|C_i) \right) P(C_i)$$

| | | Class | | | |
|-------------------|--------|------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Attribute | | On Time | Late | Very Late | Cancelled |
| Fog | None | 5/14 = 0.36 | 0/2 = 0 | 0/3 = 0 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | High | 4/14 = 0.29 | 1/2 = 0.5 | 1/3 = 0.33 | 1/1 = 1 |
| | Normal | 5/14 = 0.36 | 1/2 = 0.5 | 2/3 = 0.67 | 0/1 = 0 |
| Rain | None | 5/14 = 0.36 | 1/2 = 0.5 | 1/3 = 0.33 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | Slight | 8/14 = 0.57 | 0/2 = 0 | 0/3 = 0 | 0/1 = 0 |
| | Heavy | 1/14 = 0.07 | 1/2 = 0.5 | 2/3 = 0.67 | 1/1 = 1 |
| Prior Probability | | 14/20 = 0.7 0 | 2/20 = 0.10 | 3/20 = 0.1 5 | 1/20 = 0.05 |

Naïve Bayesian Classifier

$$P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^k P(x_j|C_i) \right) P(C_i)$$

Instance:

| Week Day | Winter | High | Heavy | ??? |
|----------|--------|------|-------|-----|
|----------|--------|------|-------|-----|

Case1: Class = On Time : $0.70 \times 0.64 \times 0.14 \times 0.29 \times 0.07 = 0.0013$

Case2: Class = Late : $0.10 \times 0.50 \times 1.0 \times 0.50 \times 0.50 = 0.0125$

Case3: Class = Very Late : $0.15 \times 1.0 \times 0.67 \times 0.33 \times 0.67 = 0.0222$

Case4: Class = Cancelled : $0.05 \times 0.0 \times 0.0 \times 1.0 \times 1.0 = 0.0000$

Case3 is the strongest; Hence correct classification is **Very Late**

Example: Play Tennis

| Outlook | Temp | Humidity | Wind | Play |
|----------|------|----------|-------|------|
| Sunny | Hot | High | False | No |
| Sunny | Hot | High | True | No |
| Overcast | Hot | High | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | High | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Cool | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Cool | Normal | True | No |
| Overcast | Cool | Normal | True | Yes |
| Sunny | Mild | High | False | No |
| Sunny | Cool | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | Normal | False | Yes |
| Sunny | Mild | Normal | True | Yes |
| Overcast | Mild | High | True | Yes |
| Overcast | Hot | Normal | False | Yes |
| Rainy | Mild | High | True | No |

Example: Play tennis

| Outlook | Temp. | Humidity | Wind | Play |
|---------|-------|----------|------|------|
| Sunny | Cool | High | True | ? |

← Evidence E

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pr[\text{yes} \mid E] &= \Pr[\text{Outlook} = \text{Sunny} \mid \text{yes}] \\
 &\quad \times \Pr[\text{Temperature} = \text{Cool} \mid \text{yes}] \\
 &\quad \times \Pr[\text{Humidity} = \text{High} \mid \text{yes}] \\
 &\quad \times \Pr[\text{Windy} = \text{True} \mid \text{yes}] \\
 &\quad \times \frac{\Pr[\text{yes}]}{\Pr[E]} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{2}{9} \times \frac{3}{9} \times \frac{3}{9} \times \frac{3}{9} \times \frac{9}{14}}{\Pr[E]}
 \end{aligned}$$

Probability of
class "yes"

| Outlook | | | Temperature | | | Humidity | | | Wind | | | Play | |
|----------|-----|-----|-------------|-----|-----|----------|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Yes | No | | Yes | No | | Yes | No | | Yes | No | | Yes | No |
| Sunny | 2 | 3 | Hot | 2 | 2 | High | 3 | 4 | False | 6 | 2 | 9 | 5 |
| Overcast | 4 | 0 | Mild | 4 | 2 | Normal | 6 | 1 | True | 3 | 3 | | |
| Rainy | 3 | 2 | Cool | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Sunny | 2/9 | 3/5 | Hot | 2/9 | 2/5 | High | 3/9 | 4/5 | False | 6/9 | 2/5 | 9/14 | 5/14 |
| Overcast | 4/9 | 0/5 | Mild | 4/9 | 2/5 | Normal | 6/9 | 1/5 | True | 3/9 | 3/5 | | |
| Rainy | 3/9 | 2/5 | Cool | 3/9 | 1/5 | | | | | | | | |

Example: Play tennis

| Outlook | | | Temperature | | | Humidity | | | Wind | | | Play | |
|----------|-----|-----|-------------|-----|-----|----------|-----|-----|--------|-----|-----|------|------|
| Yes No | | | Yes No | | | Yes No | | | Yes No | | | Yes | No |
| Sunny | 2 | 3 | Hot | 2 | 2 | High | 3 | 4 | False | 6 | 2 | 9 | 5 |
| Overcast | 4 | 0 | Mild | 4 | 2 | Normal | 6 | 1 | True | 3 | 3 | | |
| Rainy | 3 | 2 | Cool | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Sunny | 2/9 | 3/5 | Hot | 2/9 | 2/5 | High | 3/9 | 4/5 | False | 6/9 | 2/5 | 9/14 | 5/14 |
| Overcast | 4/9 | 0/5 | Mild | 4/9 | 2/5 | Normal | 6/9 | 1/5 | True | 3/9 | 3/5 | | |
| Rainy | 3/9 | 2/5 | Cool | 3/9 | 1/5 | | | | | | | | |

A new day:

| Outlook | Temp. | Humidity | Wind | Play |
|---------|-------|----------|------|------|
| Sunny | Cool | High | True | ? |

$$\Pr[H | E] = \frac{\Pr[E_1 | H] \Pr[E_2 | H] \dots \Pr[E_n | H] \Pr[H]}{\Pr[E]}$$

Likelihood of the two classes

For “yes” = $2/9 \times 3/9 \times 3/9 \times 3/9 \times 9/14 = 0.0053$

For “no” = $3/5 \times 1/5 \times 4/5 \times 3/5 \times 5/14 = 0.0206$

Conversion into a probability by normalization:

$P(\text{“yes”}) = 0.0053 / (0.0053 + 0.0206) = 0.205$

$P(\text{“no”}) = 0.0206 / (0.0053 + 0.0206) = 0.795$

Bayesian Classification: Why?

- A statistical classifier: performs probabilistic prediction, i.e., predicts class membership probabilities
- Foundation: Based on Bayes' Theorem.
- Performance: A simple Bayesian classifier, naïve Bayesian classifier, has comparable performance with decision tree and selected neural network classifiers
- Incremental: Each training example can incrementally increase/decrease the probability that a hypothesis is correct — prior knowledge can be combined with observed data

Naïve Bayesian Classifier

Pros and Cons

- The Naïve Bayes' approach is a very popular one, which often works well.
- However, it has a number of potential problems
 - It relies on all attributes being categorical.
 - If the data is less, then it estimates poorly.
 - ...

Naïve Bayesian Classifiers

:Continuous Attributes

- In real life situation, all attributes are not necessarily be categorical, In fact, there is a mix of both **categorical and continuous attributes**.
 - In the following, we discuss the schemes to deal with continuous attributes in Bayesian classifier.
1. **Discretize each continuous** attribute and then replace the continuous values with its corresponding discrete intervals.

24.3°C → [20°C, 25°C)

2. Assume a certain form of probability distribution for the continuous variable
Gaussian distribution is widely used

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

where, μ and σ^2 denote **mean** and **variance**, respectively.

Naïve Bayesian Classifiers

:Continuous Attributes

$$P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^k P(x_j|C_i) \right) P(C_i)$$

- For each class C_i and attribute j ,
 - $P(x_j|C_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_{ij}} e^{-\frac{(x_j-\mu_{ij})^2}{2\sigma_{ij}^2}}$
 - μ_{ij} : Sample mean
 - σ_{ij}^2 : Sample variance

Naïve Bayesian Classifiers

:Additive smoothing

Naïve Bayes

$$P(\mathbf{X}|C_i)P(C_i) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^k P(x_j|C_i) \right) P(C_i)$$

Approach to overcome the limitations in Naïve Bayesian Classification

$$P(x_j|C_i) = \frac{n_{c_i}}{n}$$

n = total number of instances from class C_i

n_{c_i} = number of training examples from class C_i that take the value $x_j = a_j$

- If the training data size is too small..
 - $P(x_j|C_i) \rightarrow 0$ for some i, j
- Additive smoothing

$$P(x_j|C_i) = \frac{n_{c_i} + \alpha}{n + m_j \alpha}$$

m_j : # of possible values of attribute i