

# Lecture 13 -- Naïve Bayes

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# Up to now,

- Three machine learning algorithms:
  - decision tree learning
  - k-nn
  - linear regression + gradient descent

A good connection between symbolic AI and machine learning

Also useful for un/semi-supervised learning

Learn how to design new objective function and how to adapt optimisation algorithm for new objective function



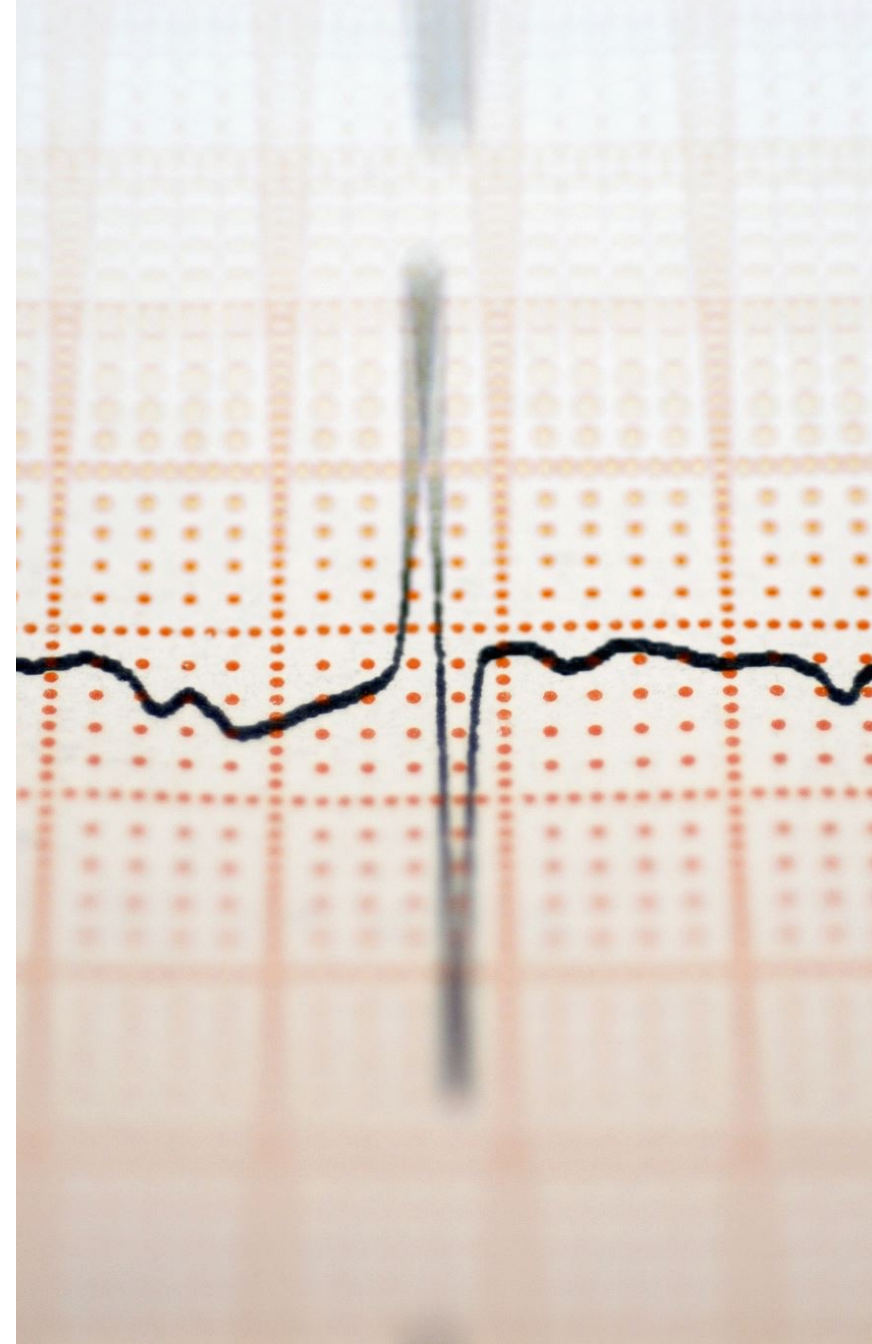
# Topics

- Naïve Bayes

- Theoretical Analysis on Computational Efficiency via Parameter Estimation
- Naïve Bayes Algorithm

Bayesian learning is a key branch of machine learning

1. Preparation for graphical models;
2. Learn how assumptions can simply a complex problem and lead to useful conclusions



# Naïve Bayes Algorithm

- Given data for  $X$  and  $Y$ , such that for each data instance  $(x, y)$ ,  $x$  has  $n$  dimensions and  $y$  is a label.

- Goal: classify  $(x^{new})$

$$Y^{new} \leftarrow \arg \max_{y_k} P(Y = y_k | x^{new})$$

Typical classification problem



Bayes Rule

$$Y^{new} \leftarrow \arg \max_{y_k} P(Y = y_k) P(x^{new} | Y = y_k)$$

The essence of Naïve Bayes is to have an **efficient** method for the computation of this term by having an **assumption**.

This term can be easily estimated from the training dataset.

How to calculate these two terms?



## Theoretical Analysis on Computational Efficiency via Estimation of Parameters

- Consider  $Y = \text{Wealth}$ ,  $X = \langle \text{Gender}, \text{HoursWorked} \rangle$

Let's learn  
classifiers by  
learning  
 $P(Y|X)$

$X_1$ Gender	$X_2$ HoursWorked	$Y$ Wealth	$P(\text{gender, hoursWorked, wealth})$ Probability
Female	<40.5	Poor	0.253122
		Rich	0.0245895
	>40.5	Poor	0.0421768
		Rich	0.0116293
Male	<40.5	Poor	0.331313
		Rich	0.0971295
	>40.5	Poor	0.134106
		Rich	0.105933

Can we estimate  $P(Y)$ ? If so, how?

how many parameters need to estimate?

Let's learn  
classifiers by  
learning  
 $P(Y|X)$

- $P(\text{gender, hoursWorked, wealth}) \Rightarrow P(\text{wealth} | \text{gender, hoursWorked})$

$P(Y|X)$

Gender	HrsWorked	$P(\text{rich}   \text{G,HW})$	$P(\text{poor}   \text{G,HW})$
F	<40.5	.09	.91
F	>40.5	.21	.79
M	<40.5	.23	.77
M	>40.5	.38	.62

How about estimating  $P(X|Y)$ ?

How many parameters to estimate?

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# How many parameters must we estimate?

- Suppose  $X = \langle X_1, \dots, X_n \rangle$  where  $X_i$  and  $Y$  are Boolean real variables
- To estimate  $P(Y | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ , how many quantities need to be estimated or collected?

$$2^n$$

- If we have 30 Boolean  $X_i$ 's:  $P(Y | X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{30})$

$$2^{30} \sim 1 \text{ billion!}$$

- You need lots of data or a very small  $n$

$n=2$ , and we need to estimate 4 quantities. Why 4?

These 4 are needed

These 4 can be obtained by  $1-x$

Idea: Shall we now consider  $P(X|Y)$ ?

Gender	HrsWorked	$P(\text{rich}   G, HW)$	$P(\text{poor}   G, HW)$
F	<40.5	.09	.91
F	>40.5	.21	.79
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# Can we reduce parameters using Bayes Rule?

- Suppose  $X = \langle X_1, \dots, X_n \rangle$  where  $X_i$  and  $Y$  are Boolean real variables
- By Bayes rule:

$$P(Y|X) = \frac{P(X|Y)P(Y)}{P(X)}$$

- How many parameters for  $P(X|Y) = P(X_1, \dots, X_n | Y)$ ?

$(2^n - 1) \times 2$

- How many parameters for  $P(Y)$ ?

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$P(Y)$

$P(\text{poor})$	$P(\text{rich})$
0.7607187	0.2392813

For example,  $P(\text{Wealth})$

For example,  
 $P(\text{Gender}, \text{HrsWorked} | \text{Wealth})$

$Y(X|Y)$

Gender	HrsWorked	$P(G, HW   \text{rich})$	$P(G, HW   \text{poor})$
F	<40.5	0.1028	0.3327
F	>40.5	0.0486	0.0554
M	<40.5	0.4059	0.4355
M	>40.5	0.4427	0.1763

So, by now, we haven't achieved the reduction of parameters.  $P(Y|X)$  needs  $2^n$ , while  $P(X|Y)P(Y)$  needs  $(2^n - 1) \times 2 + 1 = 2^{n+1} - 1$ . Any further idea?

# Naïve Bayes Assumption

- Naïve Bayes assumes

$$P(X_1 \dots X_n | Y) = \prod_i P(X_i | Y)$$

i.e., that  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  are **conditionally independent** given  $Y$ , for all  $i \neq j$

For example,

$$P(\text{Gender}, \text{HrsWorked} | \text{Wealth}) = P(\text{Gender} | \text{Wealth}) * P(\text{HrsWorked} | \text{Wealth})$$

# Recap: Conditional independence



- Two variables A,B are *independent* if

$$P(A \wedge B) = P(A)P(B)$$

$$\forall a, b : P(A = a \wedge B = b) = P(A = a)P(B = b)$$

- Two variables A,B are *conditionally independent* given C if

$$P(A \wedge B|C) = P(A|C)P(B|C)$$

$$\forall a, b, c : P(A = a \wedge B = b|C = c) = P(A = a|C = c)P(B = b|C = c)$$

- We also have  $P(A|B, C) = P(A|C)$

Two equivalent definitions.

# Effect of Naïve Bayes Assumption

- Naïve Bayes uses assumption that the  $X_i$  are conditionally independent, given  $Y$
- Given this assumption, then:

$$P(X_1, X_2|Y) = P(X_1|X_2, Y)P(X_2|Y)$$

Chain rule

$$= P(X_1|Y)P(X_2|Y)$$

Definition of Conditional Independence

- in general:

$$P(X_1 \dots X_n|Y) = \prod_i P(X_i|Y)$$

$(2^n - 1) \times 2$

$2n$

Why? Every  $P(X_i|Y)$  takes a parameter, and we have  $n$   $X_i$ .

# Summary of Naïve Bayes Algorithm

$$P(Y|X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{P(X_1, \dots, X_n|Y)P(Y)}{P(X_1, \dots, X_n)}$$

- To make this tractable we naively assume conditional independence of the features given the class: ie

$$P(X_1, \dots, X_n|Y) = P(X_1|Y)P(X_2|Y)\dots P(X_n|Y)$$

Step 1

- Now: I only need to estimate ... parameters:

$$P(X_1|Y), P(X_2|Y), \dots, P(X_n|Y), P(Y)$$

Step 2

- Besides, we also need to estimate  $P(Y)$

# Summary of the Benefit of Naïve Bayes Algorithm


How many parameters to describe  $P(X_1, \dots, X_n|Y)$ ?  $P(Y)$ ?

- Without conditional independent assumption?

$$(2^n - 1) \times 2 + 1$$

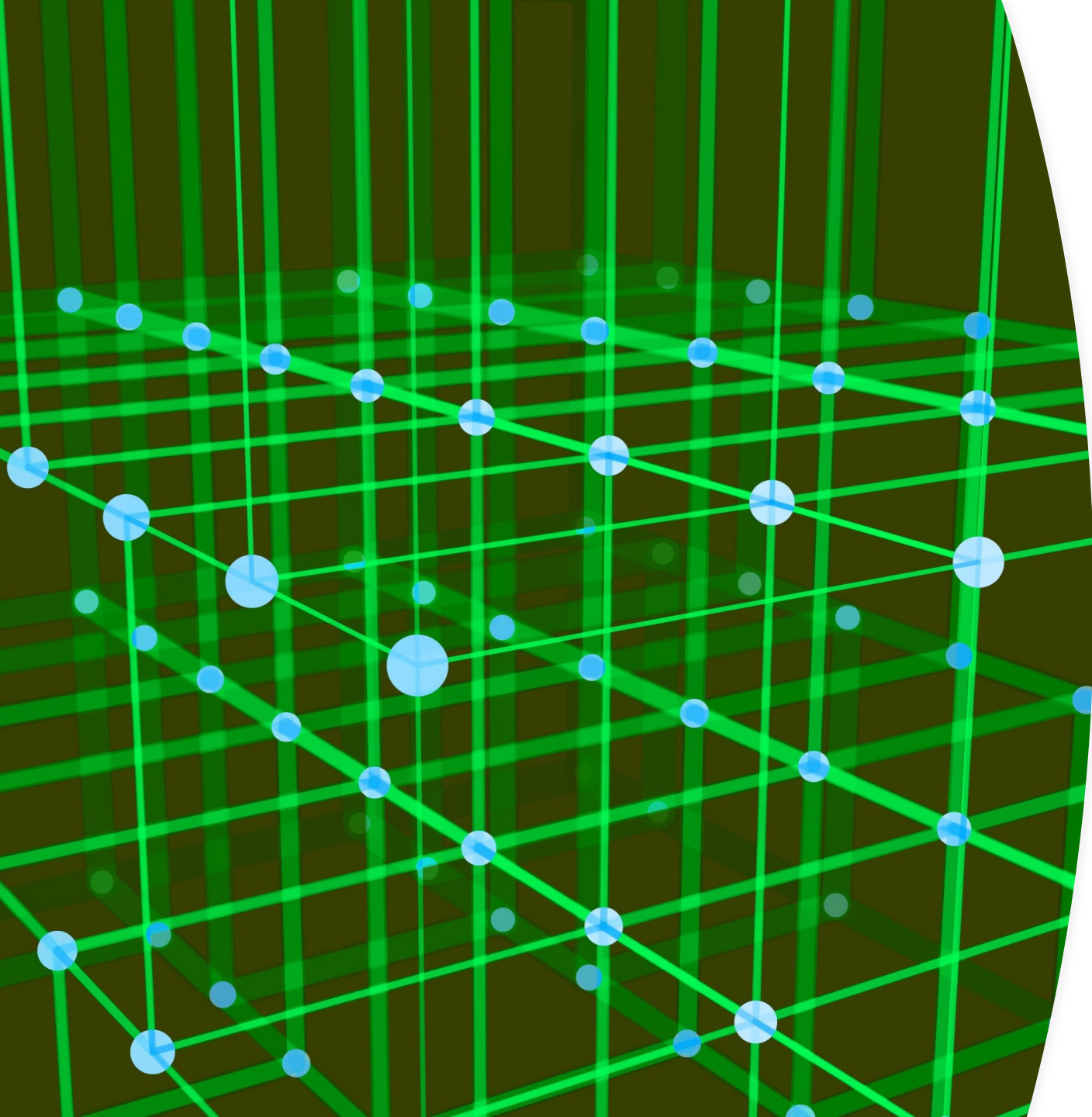
- With conditional independent assumption?

$$2n + 1$$



Which is opposed to  $2^n$  before considering naïve bayes.





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## Naïve Bayes Algorithm

-- A **3-step** procedure

# Naïve Bayes Algorithm – discrete $X_i$

- Train Naïve Bayes (given data for  $X$  and  $Y$ )

Step 2

- For each value  $y_k$ 
  - Estimate  $\pi_k \equiv P(Y = y_k)$

Step 1

- For each value  $x_{ij}$  of each attribute  $X_i$ 
  - estimate  $\theta_{ijk} = P(X_i = x_{ij} | Y = y_k)$

# Training Naïve Bayes Classifier

## Step 2

- From the data D, estimate *class priors*:
  - For each possible value of Y, estimate  $Pr(Y=y_1), Pr(Y=y_2), \dots, Pr(Y=y_k)$
  - An estimate:

$$\hat{\pi}_k = \hat{P}(Y = y_k) = \frac{\#D\{Y = y_k\}}{|D|}$$

Number of items in dataset D for which  $Y=y_k$

## Step 1

- From the data, estimate the conditional probabilities
  - If every  $X_i$  has values  $x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ik}$ 
    - for each  $y_i$  and each  $X_i$  estimate  $q(i,j,k)=Pr(X_i=x_{ij}|Y=y_k)$

$$\hat{\theta}_{ijk} = \hat{P}(X_i = x_{ij} | Y = y_k) = \frac{\#D\{X_i = x_{ij} \wedge Y = y_k\}}{\#D\{Y = y_k\}}$$

Number of items in dataset D for which  $X_i=x_{ij}$  and  $Y=y_k$

# Exercise

- Consider the following dataset:
- $P(\text{Wealthy}=Y) =$
- $P(\text{Wealthy}=N)=$
- $P(\text{Gender}=F \mid \text{Wealthy} = Y) =$
- $P(\text{Gender}=M \mid \text{Wealthy} = Y) =$
- $P(\text{HrsWorked} > 40.5 \mid \text{Wealthy} = Y) =$
- $P(\text{HrsWorked} < 40.5 \mid \text{Wealthy} = Y) =$
- $P(\text{Gender}=F \mid \text{Wealthy} = N) =$
- $P(\text{Gender}=M \mid \text{Wealthy} = N) =$
- $P(\text{HrsWorked} > 40.5 \mid \text{Wealthy} = N) =$
- $P(\text{HrsWorked} < 40.5 \mid \text{Wealthy} = N) =$

Gender	HrsWorked	Wealthy?
F	39	Y
F	45	N
M	35	N
M	43	N
F	32	Y
F	47	Y
M	34	Y

[Check the exercises of lecture notes for answers](#)

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Step 2

- for each value  $x_{ij}$  of each attribute  $X_i$ 
  - estimate  $\theta_{ijk} = P(X_i = x_{ij} | Y = y_k)$

- Classify ( $X^{new}$ )

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max_{\theta} P(\theta | D) = \arg \max_{\theta} P(D | \theta) \mathbf{P}(\theta)$$

$$Y^{new} \leftarrow \arg \max_{y_k} P(Y = y_k) \prod_i P(X_i^{new} | Y = y_k)$$

Step 3

$$Y^{new} \leftarrow \arg \max_{y_k} \pi_k \prod_i \theta_{ijk}$$

# Exercise (Continued)

- Consider the following dataset:
- Classify a new instance
  - Gender = F /\ HrsWorked = 44

Gender	HrsWorked	Wealthy?
F	39	Y
F	45	N
M	35	N
M	43	N
F	32	Y
F	47	Y
M	34	Y

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# Example: Live outside of Liverpool? $P(L|T,D,E)$

- $L=1$  iff live outside of Liverpool
- $D=1$  iff Drive or Carpool to Liverpool
- $T=1$  iff shop at Tesco
- $E=1$  iff Even # letters last name

$P(L=1) :$

$P(D=1 \mid L=1) :$

$P(D=1 \mid L=0) :$

$P(T=1 \mid L=1) :$

$P(T=1 \mid L=0) :$

$P(E=1 \mid L=1) :$

$P(E=1 \mid L=0) :$

$P(L=0) :$

$P(D=0 \mid L=1) :$

$P(D=0 \mid L=0) :$

$P(T=0 \mid L=1) :$

$P(T=0 \mid L=0) :$

$P(E=0 \mid L=1) :$

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