Gaussian Naïve Bayes

- Gaussian Naive Bayes assumes that features follow a normal (Gaussian) distribution.
- Let's take a sample dataset

Feature 1	Feature 2	Class
6.0	3.0	0
2.0	2.0	0
3.0	1.0	0
8.0	3.0	1
7.0	2.0	1
9.0	3.0	1

Example

We want to classify a new data point (Feature 1 = 4.0, Feature 2 = 2.0)

Calculate the prior probabilities

The prior probability P(Class = 0) and P(Class = 1) can be calculated as the proportion of each class in the dataset.

• P(Class = 0): There are 3 samples in Class 0 and 6 total samples.

$$P(Class = 0) = \frac{3}{6} = 0.5$$

• P(Class = 1): Similarly, there are 3 samples in Class 1.

$$P(Class=1)=rac{3}{6}=0.5$$

Calculate the mean and variance

Mean

$$\operatorname{Mean}(\mu) = rac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Standard Deviation

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$$(\sigma) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

Variance

$$\operatorname{Variance}(\sigma^2) = rac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2$$

Calculate mean and variance (For Class 0)

• For each class, we calculate the **mean** and **variance** of each feature, assuming Gaussian (normal) distribution.

For Class 0:

Feature 1:

$$\mu_{0,1} = rac{6.0 + 2.0 + 3.0}{3} = 3.67$$
 $\sigma_{0,1}^2 = rac{(6.0 - 3.67)^2 + (2.0 - 3.67)^2 + (3.0 - 3.67)^2}{3} = 2.89$

Feature 2:

$$\mu_{0,2} = rac{3.0 + 2.0 + 1.0}{3} = 2.0$$
 $\sigma_{0,2}^2 = rac{(3.0 - 2.0)^2 + (2.0 - 2.0)^2 + (1.0 - 2.0)^2}{3} = 0.67$

Calculate mean and variance (For Class 1)

For Class 1:

• Feature 1:

$$\mu_{1,1} = rac{8.0 + 7.0 + 9.0}{3} = 8.0$$
 $\sigma_{1,1}^2 = rac{(8.0 - 8.0)^2 + (7.0 - 8.0)^2 + (9.0 - 8.0)^2}{3} = 0.67$

Feature 2:

$$\mu_{1,2} = rac{3.0 + 2.0 + 3.0}{3} = 2.67$$
 $\sigma_{1,2}^2 = rac{(3.0 - 2.67)^2 + (2.0 - 2.67)^2 + (3.0 - 2.67)^2}{3} = 0.22$

Compute the likelihood

• For a new data point (4.0,2.0), we need to calculate the likelihood $P(x_i|Class_k)$ using the Gaussian probability density function:

$$P(x_i|Class_k) = rac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-rac{(x_i-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}
ight)$$

For class 0

For Class 0:

Feature 1:

$$P(4.0|Class = 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 2.89}} \exp\left(-\frac{(4.0 - 3.67)^2}{2 \cdot 2.89}\right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2.68} \exp\left(-\frac{0.11}{5.78}\right) = 0.15$$

Feature 2:

$$P(2.0|Class = 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 0.67}} \exp\left(-\frac{(2.0 - 2.0)^2}{2 \cdot 0.67}\right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2.05} \exp(0) = 0.49$$

For class 1

For Class 1:

• Feature 1:

$$P(4.0|Class = 1) = rac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 0.67}} \exp\left(-rac{(4.0 - 8.0)^2}{2 \cdot 0.67}
ight)$$
 $= rac{1}{2.05} \exp\left(-rac{16.0}{1.34}
ight) pprox 4.95 imes 10^{-6}$

• Feature 2:

$$P(2.0|Class = 1) = rac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 0.22}} \exp\left(-rac{(2.0 - 2.67)^2}{2 \cdot 0.22}
ight)$$
 $= rac{1}{1.18} \exp\left(-rac{0.45}{0.44}
ight) pprox 0.27$

Calculate the posterior probabilities

Now calculate the posterior probabilities for each class by multiplying the prior with the likelihoods.

For Class 0:

$$P(Class = 0|4.0, 2.0) \propto P(Class = 0) \cdot P(4.0|Class = 0) \cdot P(2.0|Class = 0)$$

$$= 0.5 \cdot 0.15 \cdot 0.49 = 0.03675$$

For Class 1:

$$P(Class = 1|4.0, 2.0) \propto P(Class = 1) \cdot P(4.0|Class = 1) \cdot P(2.0|Class = 1)$$
 $= 0.5 \cdot 4.95 \times 10^{-6} \cdot 0.27 \approx 6.68 \times 10^{-7}$

Results

Since P(Class=0|4.0,2.0) is larger than P(Class=1|4.0,2.0), we predict **Class 0** for the new data point (4.0,2.0).