P03 Probability Distributions and Bayesian Classification

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1 Probability and Distributions

1) Consider the following registry where an experiment is repeated six times and four events (A, B, C and D) are detected. Considering frequentist estimates for probabilities, compute:

	D	C	B	A
1	0	0	1	1
2	0	1	1	1
3	1	0	0	0
4	1	0	0	0
5	0 0 1 1 0 0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0

- $\begin{array}{l}
 -p(A) \\
 -p(A,B) \\
 -p(B \mid A) \\
 -p(A,B,C) \\
 -p(A \mid B,C) \\
 -p(A,B,C,D) \\
 -p(D \mid A,B,C)
 \end{array}$
- 2) Consider the following set of height measures in centimeters of a group of people:

$$X|180\ 160\ 200\ 171\ 159\ 150$$

What are the maximum likelihood parameters of a gaussian distribution for this set of points? Plot it approximately.

3) Consider the following set of two dimensional measures:

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2 Simple Bayesian Learning

- 1) Assuming that 1 means True and 0 means False, consider the following features and class:
- $-X_1$: "Fast processing"
- $-X_2$: "Decent Battery"
- $-X_3$: "Good Camera"
- $-X_4$: "Good Look and Feel"
- $-X_5$: "Easiness of Use"
- Class: "iPhone"

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You are given the following training set:

And the query vector $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$.

- a) Using Bayes' rule, without making any assumptions, compute the class for the query vector.
 - b) What is the problem of working with this data set without assumptions?
- c) Compute the class for the same query vector under the Naive Bayes assumption.
- 2) From the following training set:

- a) Compute the class for the pattern $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$ under the Naive Bayes assumption.
 - b) What is the posterior probability $p(b \mid \mathbf{x})$?
- c) What do you do if we have missing features? More specifically, under the Naive Bayes assumption, to what class does $\mathbf{x_{missing}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 ? 1 ? 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$ belong to?
- 3) So far we have been dealing always with discrete feature domains. In this exercise, we will work with continuous values for features like Height and Weight. Assuming that 1means True and 0means False, consider the following features and class:

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-X_1: "Weight (Kg)"

-X_2: "Height (Cm)"

-Class: "NBA Player"
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You are given the following training set:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} X_1 & X_2 & Class \\ 170 & 160 & 0 \\ 80 & 220 & 1 \\ 90 & 200 & 1 \\ 60 & 160 & 0 \\ 50 & 150 & 0 \\ 70 & 190 & 1 \end{array}$$

And the query vector $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 100 \ 225 \end{bmatrix}^T$.

- a) Compute the most probable class for the query vector assuming that the likelihoods are 2-dimensional Gaussians.
- b) Compute the most probable class for the query vector, under the Naive Bayes assumption, using 1-dimensional Gaussians to model the likelihoods.

3 Thinking Questions

- a) Assuming training examples with d boolean features, how many parameters do you have to estimate if you make no assumptions about how the data is distributed? What about if you make the Naive Bayes assumption?
- b) Is Naive Bayes a linear classifier?