

Naive Bayes Classifier:

Bayesian classifier:

want to find $P(C|A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)$

Can we estimate $P(C|A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)$ directly from data.

$$P(C|A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) = \frac{P(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n|C) P(C)}{P(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)}$$

Assume Independence among attributes A_1, \dots, A_n .

$$P(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n|C) = P(A_1|C) P(A_2|C) \dots P(A_n|C)$$

New point is classified to C_j if $P(C_j) \prod P(A_i|C_j)$ is maximal

If one of the Conditional probability is zero, then the entire expression is zero

$$\text{original} : P(A_i|C) = \frac{N_{ic}}{N_c}$$

$$\text{Laplace} : P(A_i|C) = \frac{N_{ic} + 1}{N_c + c}$$

$$m\text{-estimate} : P(A_i|C) = \frac{N_{ic} + mp}{N_c + m}$$

c : Number of classes

p : prior probability

m : parameter