

# Bayes' Law

Bayes' law for conditional probabilities:  $p(a|b) = \frac{p(b|a)p(a)}{p(b)}$

So in our case:

$$\hat{e}_1^I = \operatorname{argmax}_{I, e_1^I} p(e_1^I | f_1^J)$$

Apply Bayes' law

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{I, e_1^I} \frac{p(f_1^J | e_1^I) p(e_1^I)}{p(f_1^J)}$$

$p(f_1^J)$  constant  
 $\Rightarrow$  irrelevant in maximization

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{I, e_1^I} p(f_1^J | e_1^I) p(e_1^I)$$

Also called “Noisy Channel” model.