Machine Learning Naïve Bayes



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AIMA Chapters?

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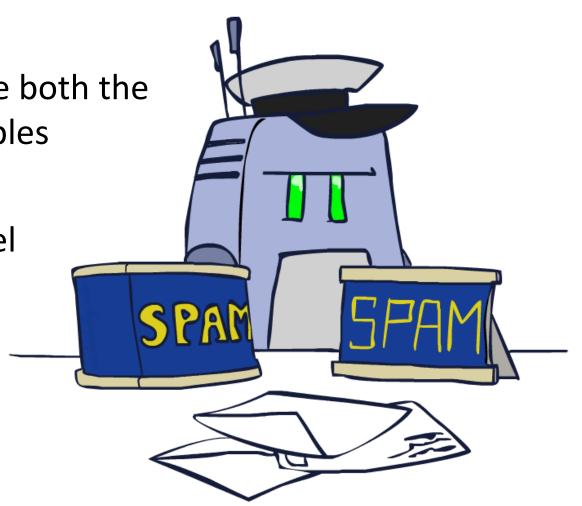
Model-Based Classification

Model-based approach

Build a model (e.g. Bayes' net) where both the label and features are random variables

Instantiate any observed features

 Query for the distribution of the label conditioned on the features



General Naïve Bayes

A general Naive Bayes model:

$$P(Y, F_1 \dots F_n) = P(Y) \prod_i P(F_i|Y)$$

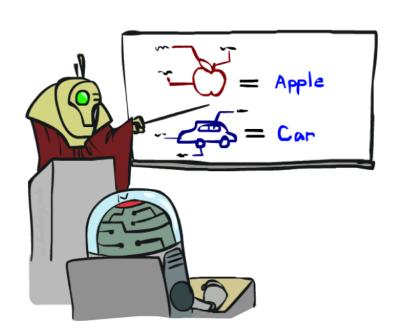
- We only have to specify how each feature depends on the class
- Total number of parameters is *linear* in n
- Model is very simplistic, but often works well anyway

General Naïve Bayes

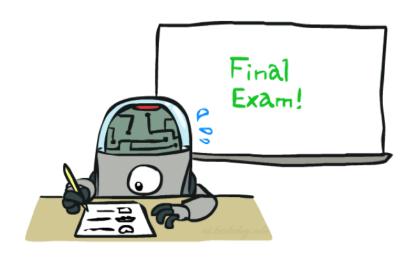
What do we need in order to use Naïve Bayes?

• Inference method (we saw this in the last lecture)

- Estimates of local conditional probability tables
 - P(Y), the prior over labels (P(spam), P(ham))
 - P(F_i|Y) for each feature (evidence variable − P(free|spam)).
 - lacktriangle These probabilities are collectively called the *parameters* of the model: $m{ heta}$
 - Theses probabilities come from training data counts: let's see how to get them next.







Data

- Data: labeled instances, e.g. emails marked spam/ham
- We divide our data into 3 sets:
 - Training set (60%)
 - Held out set / validation (20%)
 - Test set (20%)
- In Naïve Bayes we decide on the features
 - We learn their probabilities from the training set

Training Data

Held-Out Data



- Experimentation cycle
 - Learn parameters (model probabilities) from training set
 - Tune hyperparameters on held-out set
 - Compute accuracy on test set
 - Very important: never "peek" at the test set!

Training Data

Held-Out Data



Evaluation

- Accuracy: fraction of instances predicted correctly
- Risk and utility: some 'mistakes' are worse than others (classifying an important email as spam)

Training Data

Held-Out Data



- Overfitting and generalization
 - We want a classifier which does well on test data
 - Overfitting: fitting the training data very closely, but not generalizing well
 - More on overfitting later

Training Data

Held-Out Data

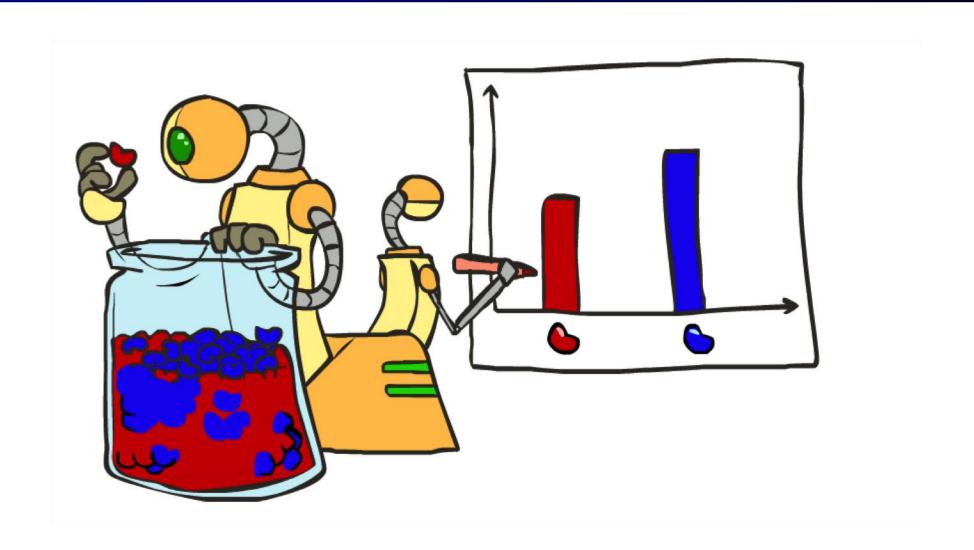


Supervised vs Unsupervised

Naïve Bayes is an example of a supervised learning algorithm.

This means that we give the algorithm a data set in which the "right answers" are given.

Parameter Estimation



Parameter Estimation

- Estimate the distribution of a random variable (candy flavor)
- Empirically: using the training data (learning!)



For each flavor, look at the empirical rate of that flavor:

$$P(red) = \frac{count(red)}{total \ samples}$$

$$P(orange) = \frac{count(orange)}{total \ samples}$$

$$P(pink) = \frac{count(pink)}{total \ samples}$$

Parameter Estimation

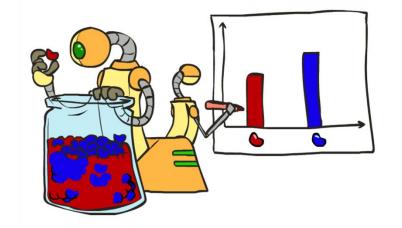
- Estimate the distribution of a random variable (feature)
- Empirically: using the training data (learning!)
 - For each feature, look at the empirical rate of that feature:

$$P_{\mathsf{ML}}(x) = \frac{\mathsf{count}(x)}{\mathsf{total \ samples}}$$

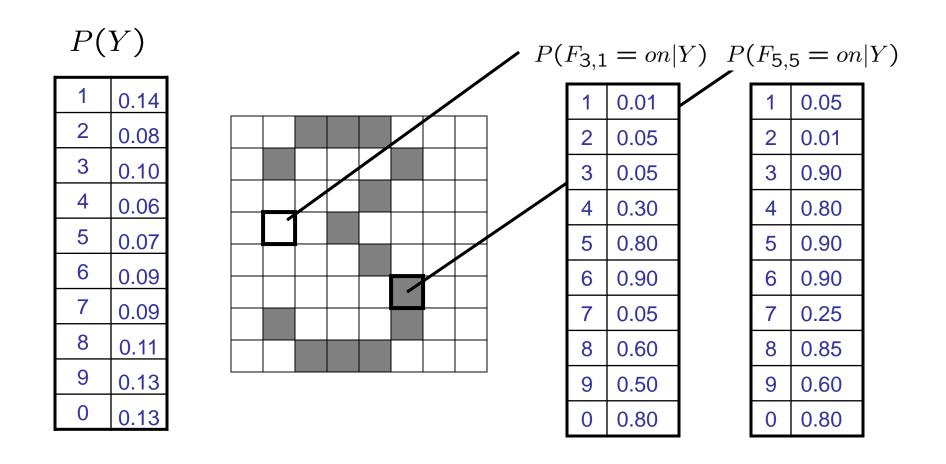


$$P_{\rm ML}({\bf r}) = 2/3$$

- This is the maximum likelihood estimate.
- distribution estimate = observed distribution



Example: Digit Recognition



Example: Spam Filtering

- Bag-of-words model:
 - Simplified representation commonly used in Natural Language
 Processing
 - Message is modeled as an unordered collection (bag) of words
 - Grammar is also ignored

Example: Spam Filtering

What are the parameters?

P(Y)

ham: 0.66

spam: 0.33

P(W|spam)

the: 0.0156

to: 0.0153

and: 0.0115

of: 0.0095

you: 0.0093

a: 0.0086

with: 0.0080

from: 0.0075

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 $P(W|\mathsf{ham})$

the: 0.0210

to: 0.0133

of: 0.0119

2002: 0.0110

with: 0.0108

from: 0.0107

and: 0.0105

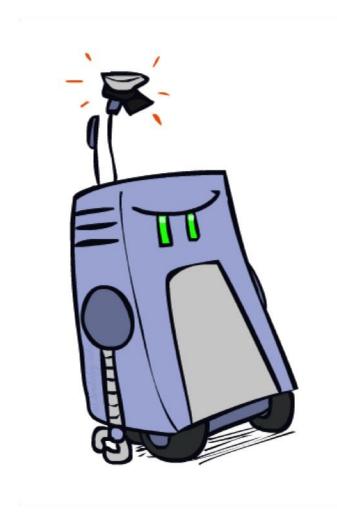
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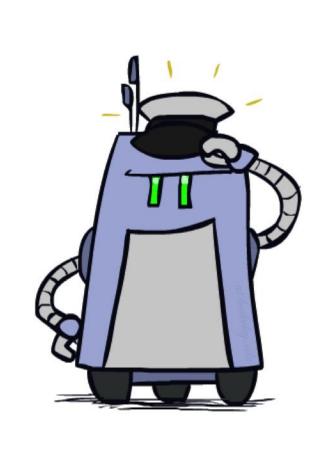
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Example: Spam Filtering

Word	P(w spam)	P(w ham)	Tot Spam	Tot Ham
(prior)	0.33333	0.66666	0.33	0.67
Gary	0.00002	0.00021	0.05	0.95
would	0.00069	0.00084	0.04	0.96
you	0.00881	0.00304	0.10	0.90
like	0.00086	0.00083	0.11	0.89
to	0.01517	0.01339	0.12	0.88
lose	0.00008	0.00002	0.35	0.65
weight	0.00016	0.00002	0.81	0.19
while	0.00027	0.00027	0.81	0.19
you	0.00881	0.00304	0.93	0.07
sleep	0.00006	0.00001	0.99	0.01

Generalization and Overfitting







Generalization and Overfitting



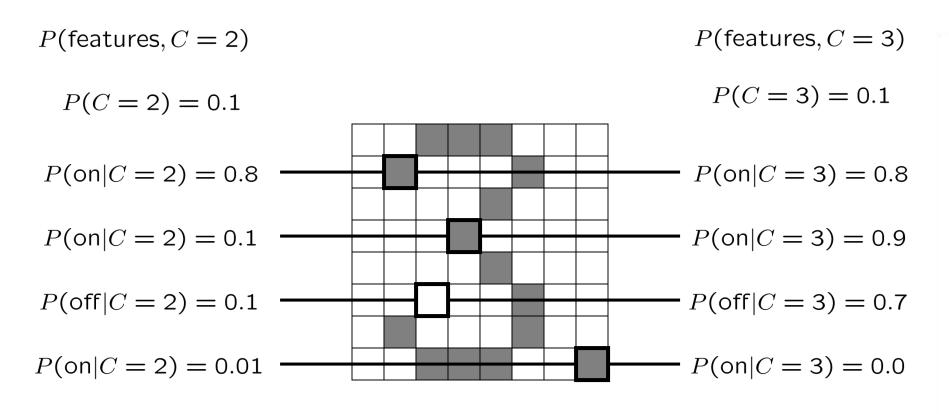
P(orange) = 0

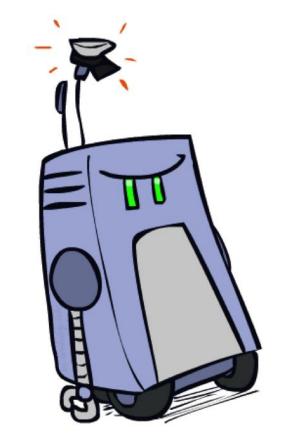
P(pink) = 0

P(red) = 0.7

P(yellow) = 0.3

Example: Overfitting





2 wins!!

Example: Overfitting

Posteriors determined by relative probabilities (odds ratios):

$$\frac{P(W|\mathsf{ham})}{P(W|\mathsf{spam})}$$

south-west: inf

nation : inf

morally : inf

nicely: inf

extent : inf

seriously: inf

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$$\frac{P(W|\text{spam})}{P(W|\text{ham})}$$

screens : inf

minute : inf

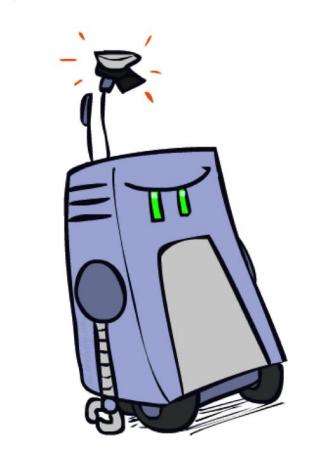
guaranteed: inf

\$205.00 : inf

delivery : inf

signature : inf

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What went wrong here?

Generalization and Overfitting

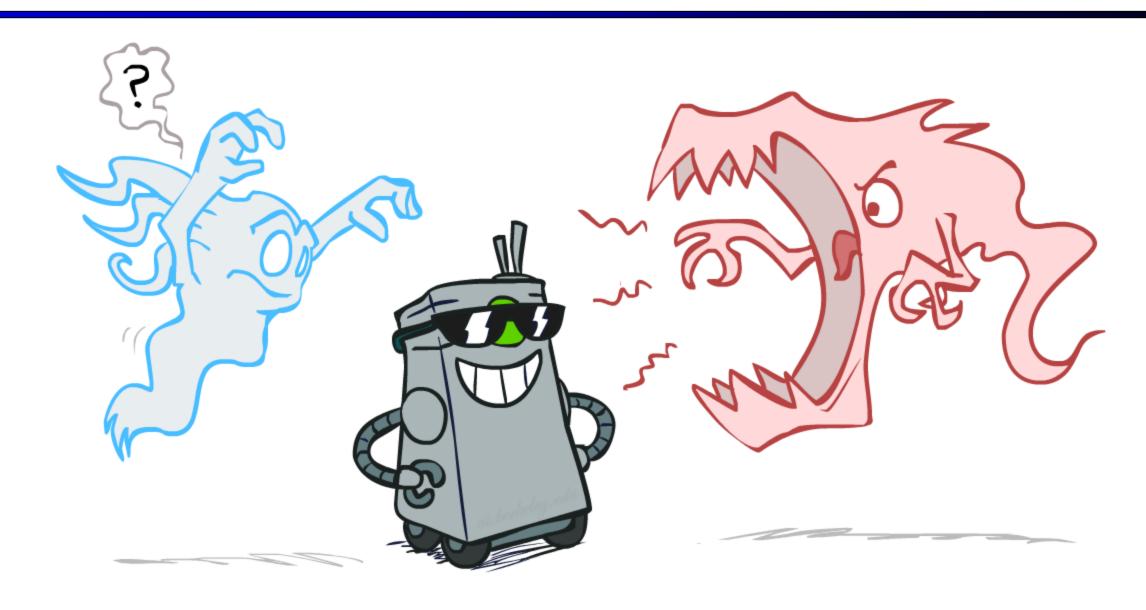
- Relative frequency parameters will overfit the training data!
 - Just because we never saw a 3 with pixel (15,15) on during training doesn't mean we won't see it at test time
 - Unlikely that every occurrence of "minute" is 100% spam
 - Unlikely that every occurrence of "seriously" is 100% ham
 - What about all the words that don't occur in the training set at all?
 - In general, we can't go around giving unseen events zero probability

Generalization and Overfitting

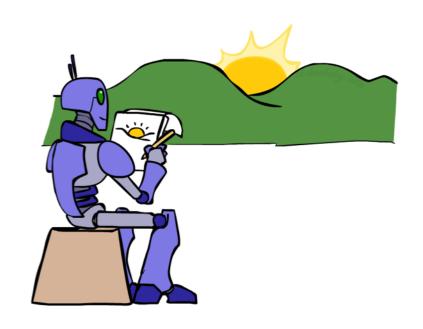
- As an extreme case, imagine using the entire email as the only feature
 - Would get the training data perfect (deterministic labeling)
 - Wouldn't generalize at all
 - Just making the bag-of-words assumption gives us some generalization, but isn't enough

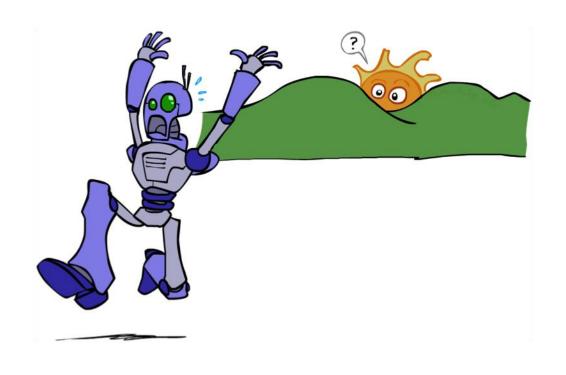
To generalize better: we need to smooth or regularize the estimates

Smoothing



Unseen Events





- Laplace's estimate:
 - Pretend we saw every outcome once more than we actually did

$$P_{ML}(X) = \left\langle \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right\rangle$$

$$P_{LAP}(x) = \frac{c(x) + 1}{\sum_{x} [c(x) + 1]}$$

$$= \frac{c(x) + 1}{N + |X|}$$

$$P_{LAP}(X) = \left\langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{2}{5} \right\rangle$$

- Laplace's estimate (extended):
 - Pretend we saw every outcome k extra times

$$P_{LAP,k}(x) = \frac{c(x) + k}{N + k|X|}$$

- What's Laplace with k = 0?
- k is the strength of the prior



$$P_{LAP,0}(X) = \left\langle \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right\rangle$$

$$P_{LAP,1}(X) = \left\langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{2}{5} \right\rangle$$

$$P_{LAP,100}(X) = \left\langle \frac{102}{203}, \frac{101}{203} \right\rangle$$

$$P_{LAP,k}(x) = \frac{c(x) + k}{N + k|X|}$$



$$Count(yellow) = 3$$

$$Count(red) = 6$$

$$Count(pink) = 0$$

$$N = 10$$

$$P_{LAP,0}(yellow) = 0.3$$

$$P_{LAP,0}(red) = 0.6$$

$$P_{LAP,0}(orange) = 0.1$$

$$P_{LAP,0}(pink) = 0$$

$$P_{LAP,k}(x) = \frac{c(x) + k}{N + k|X|}$$



$$Count(red) = 6$$

$$Count(pink) = 0$$

$$N = 10$$

$$P_{LAP,1}(yellow) = \frac{3+1}{10+4} = 0.29$$

$$P_{LAP,1}(red) = \frac{6+1}{10+4} = 0.5$$

$$P_{LAP,1}(orange) = \frac{1+1}{10+4} = 0.14$$

$$P_{LAP,1}(pink) = \frac{0+1}{10+4} = 0.07$$

$$P_{LAP,k}(x) = \frac{c(x) + k}{N + k|X|}$$



$$Count(red) = 6$$

$$Count(yellow) = 3$$

$$Count(pink) = 0$$

$$N = 10$$

$$P_{LAP,2}$$
(yellow) = $\frac{3+2}{10+8}$ = 0.28

$$P_{LAP,2}(red) = \frac{6+2}{10+8} = 0.44$$

$$P_{LAP,2}(orange) = \frac{1+2}{10+8} = 0.17$$

$$P_{LAP,2}(pink) = \frac{0+2}{10+8} = 0.11$$

Real NB: Smoothing

- For real classification problems, smoothing is critical
- New odds ratios:

$$\frac{P(W|\mathsf{ham})}{P(W|\mathsf{spam})}$$

helvetica: 11.4

seems : 10.8

group : 10.2

ago : 8.4

areas: 8.3

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 $\frac{P(W|\text{spam})}{P(W|\text{ham})}$

verdana: 28.8

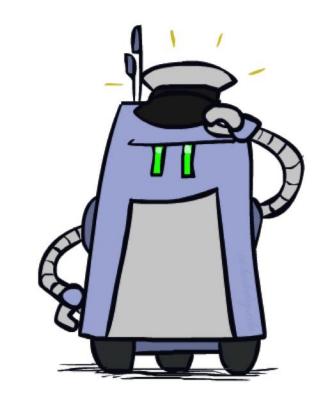
Credit : 28.4

ORDER : 27.2

 : 26.9

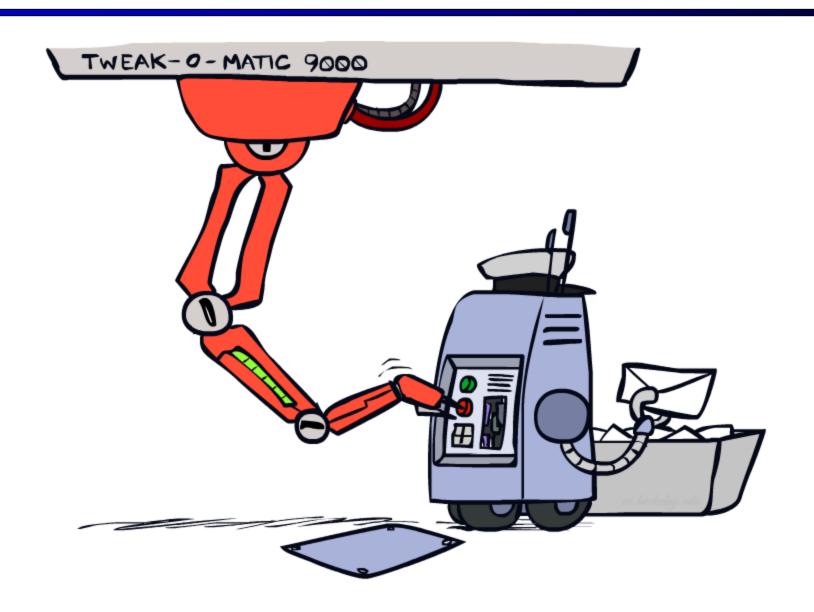
money : 26.5

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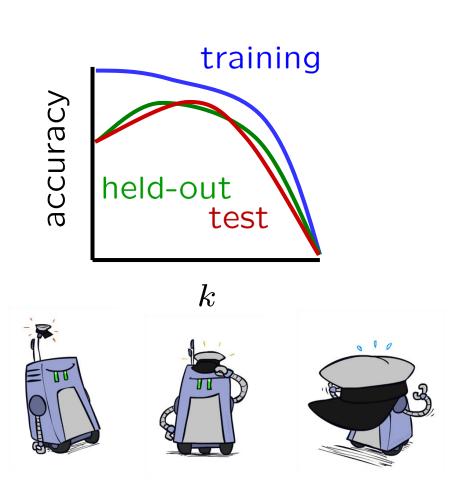
Do these make more sense?

Tuning



Tuning on Held-Out Data

- Now we've got two kinds of unknowns
 - Parameters: the probabilities P(X|Y), P(Y)
 - Hyperparameters: e.g. the amount / type of smoothing to do (k)
- What should we learn where?
 - Learn parameters from training data
 - Tune hyperparameters on different data
 - For each value of the hyperparameters (k), test on the held-out data
 - Choose the best value (best accuracy)
 - Do a final test on the test data



Summary

- Bayes rule lets us do diagnostic queries with causal probabilities
- The naïve Bayes assumption takes all features to be independent given the class label
- We can build classifiers out of a naïve Bayes model using training data
- Smoothing is important in real systems