



# Bayes Rule

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$$P(Y|X) = \frac{P(X|Y)P(Y)}{P(X)}$$

Which is shorthand for:

$$P(Y = y_i|X = x_j) = \frac{P(X = x_j|Y = y_i)P(Y = y_i)}{P(X = x_j)}$$



# Bayes' Rule

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- Product rule  $P(a \wedge b) = P(a | b) P(b) = P(b | a) P(a)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Bayes' rule:  $P(a | b) = P(b | a) P(a) / P(b)$
- or in distribution form  
$$P(Y|X) = P(X|Y) P(Y) / P(X) = \alpha P(X|Y) P(Y)$$
- Useful for assessing **diagnostic** probability from **causal** probability:
  - $P(\text{Cause}|\text{Effect}) = P(\text{Effect}|\text{Cause}) P(\text{Cause}) / P(\text{Effect})$
  - E.g., let  $M$  be meningitis,  $S$  be stiff neck:  
 $P(m|s) = P(s|m) P(m) / P(s) = 0.5 \times 0.0002 / 0.05 = 0.0002$
  - Note: posterior probability of meningitis still very small!

# Bayes' Rule and conditional independence

$$P(\text{Cavity} \mid \text{toothache} \wedge \text{catch})$$

$$= \alpha \cdot P(\text{toothache} \wedge \text{catch} \mid \text{Cavity}) P(\text{Cavity})$$

$$= \alpha \cdot P(\text{toothache} \mid \text{Cavity}) P(\text{catch} \mid \text{Cavity}) P(\text{Cavity})$$

- This is an example of a **naïve Bayes** model:

$$P(\text{Cause}, \text{Effect}_1, \dots, \text{Effect}_n) = P(\text{Cause}) \prod_i P(\text{Effect}_i \mid \text{Cause})$$



- Total number of parameters is **linear** in  $n$



# Naïve Bayes Classifier

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- Calculate most probable function value

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{map}} &= \operatorname{argmax} P(v_j | a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax} \frac{P(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n | v_j) P(v_j)}{P(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax} P(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n | v_j) P(v_j) \end{aligned}$$

Naïve assumption:  $P(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = P(a_1)P(a_2) \dots P(a_n)$



# Naïve Bayes Algorithm

NaïveBayesLearn(*examples*)

For each target value  $v_j$

$P'(v_j) \leftarrow$  estimate  $P(v_j)$

For each attribute value  $a_i$  of each attribute  $a$

$P'(a_i/v_j) \leftarrow$  estimate  $P(a_i/v_j)$

ClassifyingNewInstance( $x$ )

$v_{nb} = \operatorname{argmax}_{v_j \in V} P'(v_j) \prod_{a_j \in x} P'(a_j/v_j)$

$v_j \in V$

$a_j \in x$

# An Example

(due to MIT's open coursework slides)

$f_1$	$f_2$	$f_3$	$f_4$	$y$
0	1	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0

$R_1(1,1) = 1/5$ : fraction of all positive examples that have feature 1 = 1

$R_1(0,1) = 4/5$ : fraction of all positive examples that have feature 1 = 0

$R_1(1,0) = 5/5$ : fraction of all negative examples that have feature 1 = 1

$R_1(0,0) = 0/5$ : fraction of all negative examples that have feature 1 = 0

Continue calculation of  $R_2(1,0) \dots$

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0	1	1	0	1
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1	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0

(1,1) (0,1) (1,0) (0,0)

$$R_1 = 1/5, 4/5, 5/5, 0/5$$

$$R_2 = 1/5, 4/5, 2/5, 3/5$$

$$R_3 = 4/5, 1/5, 1/5, 4/5$$

$$R_4 = 2/5, 3/5, 4/5, 1/5$$

New  $x = \langle 0, 0, 1, 1 \rangle$

$$S(1) = R_1(0,1) * R_2(0,1) * R_3(1,1) * R_4(1,1) = .205$$

$$S(0) = R_1(0,0) * R_2(0,0) * R_3(1,0) * R_4(1,0) = 0$$

$S(1) > S(0)$ , so predict  $v = 1$ .