#### MAP for Gaussian mean and variance

- Conjugate priors
  - Mean: Gaussian prior
  - Variance: Wishart Distribution

Prior for mean:

$$P(\mu \mid \eta, \lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\frac{-(\mu - \eta)^2}{2\lambda^2}} = N(\eta, \lambda^2)$$

#### **MAP for Gaussian Mean**

$$\widehat{\mu}_{MLE} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$$

$$\widehat{\mu}_{MAP} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i + \frac{\eta}{\lambda^2}}{\frac{n}{\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda^2}} \quad \text{(Assuming known variance } \sigma^2\text{)}$$

Independent of  $\sigma^2$  if  $\lambda^2 = \sigma^2/s$ 

MAP under Gauss-Wishart prior - Homework

## **Bayes Optimal Classifier**

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#### Classification

**Goal:** Construct a **predictor**  $f: X \to Y$  to minimize a risk (performance measure) R(f)



Sports Science News

Features, X

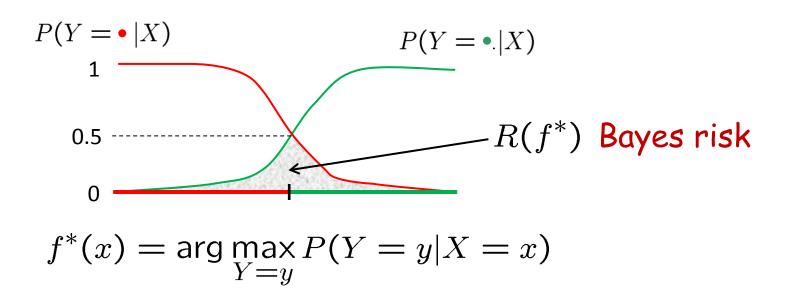
Labels, Y

 $R(f) = P(f(X) \neq Y)$ 

**Probability of Error** 

### **Optimal Classification**

Optimal predictor:  $f^* = \arg\min_{f} P(f(X) \neq Y)$  (Bayes classifier)



- Even the optimal classifier makes mistakes R(f\*) > 0
- Optimal classifier depends on **unknown** distribution  $P_{XY}$

### **Optimal Classifier**

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

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

#### **Optimal classifier:**

$$f^*(x) = \arg\max_{Y=y} P(Y=y|X=x)$$

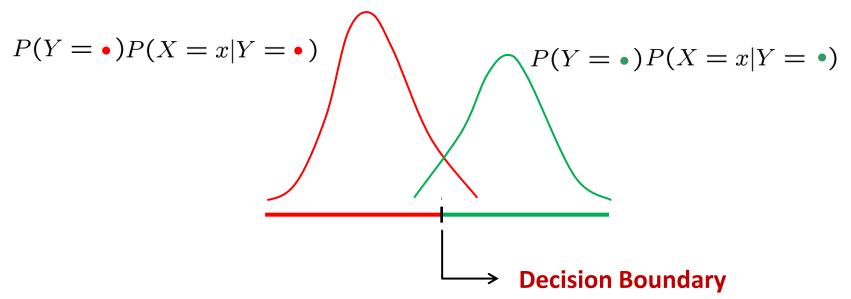
$$= \arg\max_{Y=y} P(X=x|Y=y)P(Y=y)$$

Class conditional Class prior density

#### **Example Decision Boundaries**

Gaussian class conditional densities (1-dimension/feature)

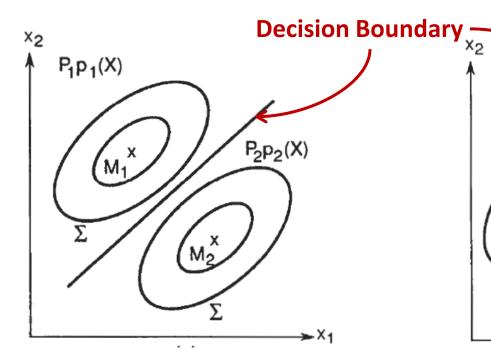
$$P(X = x | Y = y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_y^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu_y)^2}{2\sigma_y^2}\right)$$

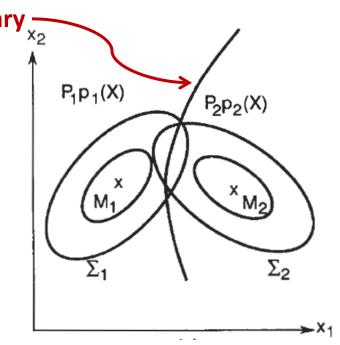


### **Example Decision Boundaries**

Gaussian class conditional densities (2-dimensions/features)

$$P(X = x | Y = y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi |\Sigma_y|}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu_y)\Sigma_y^{-1}(x - \mu_y)'}{2}\right)$$





### Learning the Optimal Classifier

#### **Optimal classifier:**

$$f^*(x) = \arg\max_{Y=y} P(Y=y|X=x)$$

$$= \arg\max_{Y=y} P(X=x|Y=y)P(Y=y)$$

$$= \operatorname{Class\ conditional\ Class\ prior\ density}$$

### Learning the Optimal Classifier

Task: Predict whether or not a picnic spot is enjoyable

**Training Data:**  $X = (X_1 \ X_2 \ X_3 \ ... \ X_d)$ 

$$X = (X_1)$$

$$X_2$$

$$X_3$$

n rows

Sky	Temp	Humid	Wind	Water	Forecst	EnjoySpt
Sunny	Warm	Normal	Strong	Warm	Same	Yes
Sunny	Warm	$\operatorname{High}$	Strong	Warm	$\mathbf{Same}$	Yes
Rainy	Cold	High	Strong	Warm	Change	No
Sunny	Warm	High	Strong	Cool	Change	Yes

#### Lets learn P(Y|X) – how many parameters?

Prior: P(Y = y) for all y

K-1 if K labels

Likelihood: P(X=x|Y=y) for all x,y (2<sup>d</sup> – 1)K if d binary features

### Learning the Optimal Classifier

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 Y

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2<sup>d</sup>K - 1 (K classes, d binary features)

Need n >> 2<sup>d</sup>K - 1 number of training data to learn all parameters

### **Conditional Independence**

 X is conditionally independent of Y given Z: probability distribution governing X is independent of the value of Y, given the value of Z

$$(\forall x, y, z) P(X = x | Y = y, Z = z) = P(X = x | Z = z)$$

Equivalent to:

$$P(X, Y \mid Z) = P(X \mid Z)P(Y \mid Z)$$

• e.g., P(Thunder|Rain, Lightning) = P(Thunder|Lightning)

Note: does NOT mean Thunder is independent of Rain

# Conditional vs. Marginal Independence

- C calls A and B separately and tells them a number n ∈ {1,...,10}
- Due to noise in the phone, A and B each imperfectly (and independently) draw a conclusion about what the number was.
- A thinks the number was n<sub>a</sub> and B thinks it was n<sub>b</sub>.
- Are n<sub>a</sub> and n<sub>b</sub> marginally independent?
  - No, we expect e.g.  $P(n_a = 1 | n_b = 1) > P(n_a = 1)$
- Are n<sub>a</sub> and n<sub>b</sub> conditionally independent given n?
  - Yes, because if we know the true number, the outcomes  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  are purely determined by the noise in each phone.

$$P(n_a = 1 \mid n_b = 1, n = 2) = P(n_a = 1 \mid n = 2)$$

## Prediction using Conditional Independence

- Predict Lightening
- From two conditionally Independent features
  - Thunder
  - Rain

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# parameters needed to learn likelihood given L

P(T,R|L) (2<sup>2</sup>-1)2 = 6
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With conditional independence assumption

$$P(T,R|L) = P(T|L) P(R|L)$$
 (2-1)2 + (2-1)2 = 4

## **Naïve Bayes Assumption**

- Naïve Bayes assumption:
  - Features are independent given class:

$$P(X_1, X_2|Y) = P(X_1|X_2, Y)P(X_2|Y)$$
$$= P(X_1|Y)P(X_2|Y)$$

– More generally:

$$P(X_1...X_d|Y) = \prod_{i=1}^d P(X_i|Y)$$

- How many parameters now? (2-1)dK vs. (2<sup>d</sup>-1)K
  - Suppose X is composed of d binary features

## **Naïve Bayes Classifier**

#### • Given:

- Class Prior P(Y)
- d conditionally independent features X given the class Y
- For each  $X_i$ , we have likelihood  $P(X_i|Y)$
- Decision rule:

$$f_{NB}(\mathbf{x}) = \arg\max_{y} P(x_1, \dots, x_d \mid y) P(y)$$
  
=  $\arg\max_{y} \prod_{i=1}^{d} P(x_i \mid y) P(y)$ 

 If conditional independence assumption holds, NB is optimal classifier! But worse otherwise.

#### Naïve Bayes Algo – Discrete features

- Training Data  $\{(X^{(j)}, Y^{(j)})\}_{j=1}^n$   $X^{(j)} = (X_1^{(j)}, \dots, X_d^{(j)})$
- Maximum Likelihood Estimates
  - For Class Prior  $\widehat{P}(y) = \frac{\{\#j : Y^{(j)} = y\}}{n}$
  - For Likelihood

$$\frac{\widehat{P}(x_i, y)}{\widehat{P}(y)} = \frac{\{\#j : X_i^{(j)} = x_i, Y^{(j)} = y\}/n}{\{\#j : Y^{(j)} = y\}/n}$$

• NB Prediction for test data  $X = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$ 

$$Y = \arg\max_{y} \widehat{P}(y) \prod_{i=1}^{d} \frac{\widehat{P}(x_i, y)}{\widehat{P}(y)}$$

## Subtlety 1 – Violation of NB Assumption

Usually, features are not conditionally independent:

$$P(X_1...X_d|Y) \neq \prod_i P(X_i|Y)$$

- Actual probabilities P(Y|X) often biased towards 0 or 1 (Why?)
- Nonetheless, NB is the single most used classifier out there
  - NB often performs well, even when assumption is violated
  - [Domingos & Pazzani '96] discuss some conditions for good performance

#### Subtlety 2 – Insufficient training data

- What if you never see a training instance where X₁=a when Y=b?
  - e.g., Y={SpamEmail},  $X_1$ ={'Earn'}
  - $P(X_1=a \mid Y=b) = 0$
- Thus, no matter what the values X<sub>2</sub>,...,X<sub>d</sub> take:
  - $P(Y=b \mid X_1=a,X_2,...,X_d) = 0$

$$P(X_1 = a, X_2...X_n | Y) = P(X_1 = a | Y) \prod_{i=2}^{d} P(X_i | Y)$$

What now????

#### MLE vs. MAP

$$\widehat{\theta}_{MLE} = \frac{\alpha_H}{\alpha_H + \alpha_T}$$

What if we toss the coin too few times?

- You say: Probability next toss is a head = 0
- Billionaire says: You're fired! ...with prob 1 ☺

$$\widehat{\theta}_{MAP} = \frac{\alpha_H + \beta_H - 1}{\alpha_H + \beta_H + \alpha_T + \beta_T - 2}$$

- Beta prior equivalent to extra coin flips
- As  $N \to \infty$ , prior is "forgotten"
- But, for small sample size, prior is important!

#### Naïve Bayes Algo – Discrete features

- Training Data  $\{(X^{(j)},Y^{(j)})\}_{j=1}^n$   $X^{(j)}=(X_1^{(j)},\ldots,X_d^{(j)})$
- Maximum A Posteriori Estimates add m "virtual" examples
   Assume priors

$$Q(Y=b) Q(X_i=a, Y=b)$$

**MAP** Estimate

$$\widehat{P}(X_i = a | Y = b) = \frac{\{\#j : X_i^{(j)} = a, Y^{(j)} = b\} + mQ(X_i = a, Y = b)}{\{\#j : Y^{(j)} = b\} + mQ(Y = b)}$$
# virtual examples
with Y = b

Now, even if you never observe a class/feature posterior probability never zero.

#### **Case Study: Text Classification**

- Classify e-mails
  - $-Y = \{Spam, NotSpam\}$
- Classify news articles
  - Y = {what is the topic of the article?}
- Classify webpages
  - Y = {Student, professor, project, ...}

- What about the features X?
  - The text!

## Features X are entire document – X<sub>i</sub> for i<sup>th</sup> word in article

Article from rec.sport.hockey

Path: cantaloupe.srv.cs.cmu.edu!das-news.harvard.e

From: xxx@yyy.zzz.edu (John Doe)

Subject: Re: This year's biggest and worst (opinic

Date: 5 Apr 93 09:53:39 GMT

I can only comment on the Kings, but the most obvious candidate for pleasant surprise is Alex Zhitnik. He came highly touted as a defensive defenseman, but he's clearly much more than that. Great skater and hard shot (though wish he were more accurate). In fact, he pretty much allowed the Kings to trade away that huge defensive liability Paul Coffey. Kelly Hrudey is only the biggest disappointment if you thought he was any good to begin with. But, at best, he's only a mediocre goaltender. A better choice would be Tomas Sandstrom, though not through any fault of his own, but because some thugs in Toronto decided

#### **NB** for Text Classification

- P(X|Y) is huge!!!
  - Article at least 1000 words,  $X = \{X_1, ..., X_{1000}\}$
  - X<sub>i</sub> represents i<sup>th</sup> word in document, i.e., the domain of X<sub>i</sub> is entire vocabulary, e.g., Webster Dictionary (or more), 10,000 words, etc.
- NB assumption helps a lot!!!
  - $P(X_i=x_i|Y=y)$  is just the probability of observing word  $x_i$  at the i<sup>th</sup> position in a document on topic y

$$h_{NB}(\mathbf{x}) = \arg \max_{y} P(y) \prod_{i=1}^{LengthDoc} P(x_i|y)$$

### Bag of words model

- Typical additional assumption Position in document doesn't matter: P(X<sub>i</sub>=x<sub>i</sub>|Y=y) = P(X<sub>k</sub>=x<sub>i</sub>|Y=y)
  - "Bag of words" model order of words on the page ignored
  - Sounds really silly, but often works very well!

$$\prod_{i=1}^{LengthDoc} P(x_i|y) = \prod_{w=1}^{W} P(w|y)^{count_w}$$

When the lecture is over, remember to wake up the person sitting next to you in the lecture room.

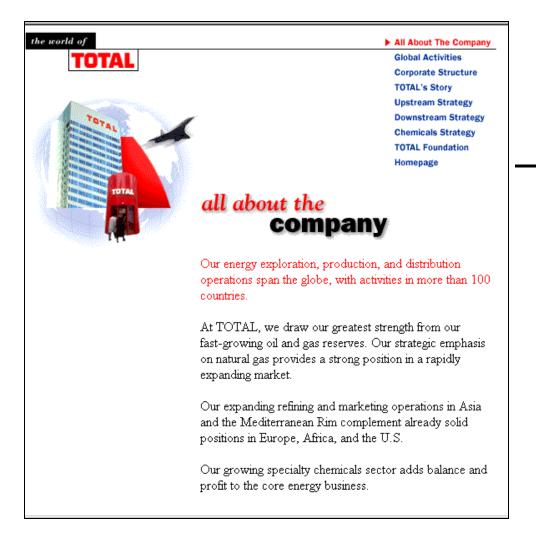
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in is lecture lecture next over person remember room sitting the the to to up wake when you

## Bag of words approach



aardvark	0
about	2
all	2
Africa	1
apple	0
anxious	0
•••	
gas	1
•••	
oil	1
•••	
Zaire	0

## NB with Bag of Words for text classification

- Learning phase:
  - Class Prior P(Y)
  - $-P(X_i|Y)$

**Explore in HW** 

- Test phase:
  - For each document
    - Use naïve Bayes decision rule

$$h_{NB}(\mathbf{x}) = \arg \max_{y} P(y) \prod_{i=1}^{LengthDoc} P(x_i|y)$$

## Twenty news groups results

Given 1000 training documents from each group Learn to classify new documents according to which newsgroup it came from

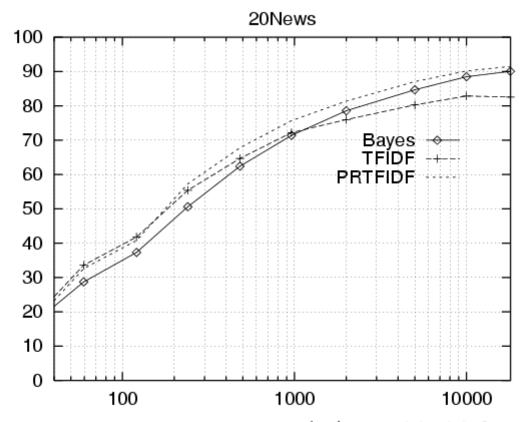
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alt.atheism
soc.religion.christian
talk.religion.misc
talk.politics.mideast
talk.politics.misc
talk.politics.guns

sci.space sci.crypt sci.electronics sci.med

Naive Bayes: 89% classification accuracy

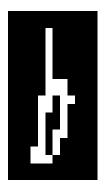
# Learning curve for twenty news groups



Accuracy vs. Training set size (1/3 withheld for test)

#### What if features are continuous?

Eg., character recognition:  $X_i$  is intensity at i<sup>th</sup> pixel





Gaussian Naïve Bayes (GNB):

an Naïve Bayes (GNB): 
$$P(X_i=x\mid Y=y_k)=\frac{1}{\sigma_{ik}\sqrt{2\pi}} \ e^{\frac{-(x-\mu_{ik})^2}{2\sigma_{ik}^2}}$$

Different mean and variance for each class k and each pixel i.

Sometimes assume variance

- is independent of Y (i.e.,  $\sigma_i$ ),
- or independent of  $X_i$  (i.e.,  $\sigma_k$ )
- or both (i.e.,  $\sigma$ )

# Estimating parameters: Y discrete, X<sub>i</sub> continuous

## Maximum likelihood estimates:

$$\widehat{\mu}_{MLE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} x_j$$

$$\widehat{\mu}_{ik} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = y_{k})} \sum_{j} X_{i}^{j} \delta(Y^{j} = y_{k}) \xrightarrow[]{\text{th pixel in } \longleftarrow} j^{\text{th training image}}$$

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{unbiased}^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j=1}^{N} (x_j - \widehat{\mu})^2$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ik}^2 = \frac{1}{\sum_j \delta(Y^j = y_k) - 1} \sum_j (X_i^j - \hat{\mu}_{ik})^2 \delta(Y^j = y_k)$$

# Example: GNB for classifying mental states [Mitchell et al.]



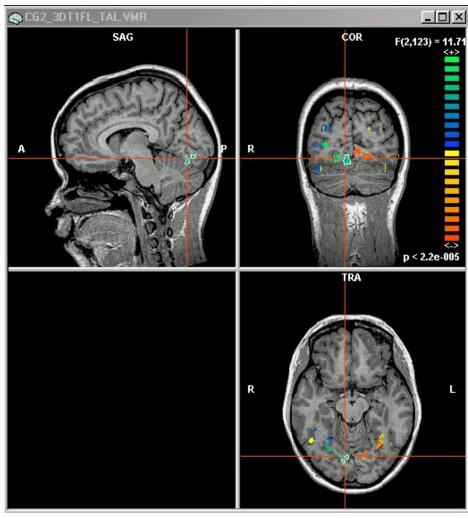
~1 mm resolution

~2 images per sec.

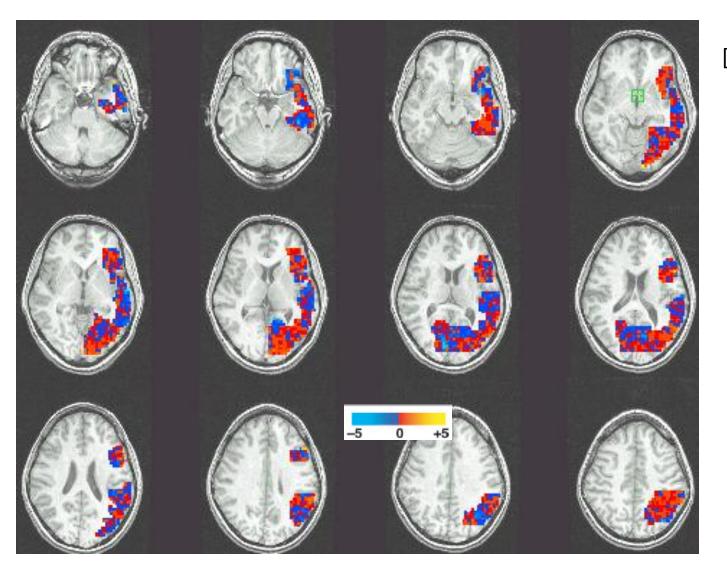
15,000 voxels/image

non-invasive, safe

measures Blood Oxygen Level Dependent (BOLD) response



## Gaussian Naïve Bayes: Learned $\mu_{voxel,word}$



[Mitchell et al.]

15,000 voxels or features

10 training examples or subjects per class

## Learned Naïve Bayes Models – Means for P(BrainActivity | WordCategory)

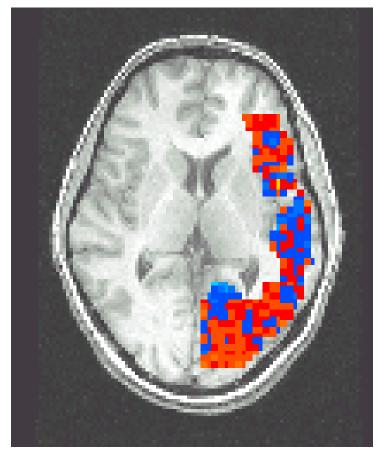
Pairwise classification accuracy: 85%

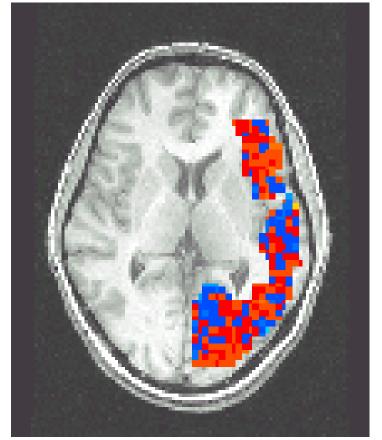
[Mitchell et al.]

People words



**Animal words** 





### What you should know...

- Optimal decision using Bayes Classifier
- Naïve Bayes classifier
  - What's the assumption
  - Why we use it
  - How do we learn it
  - Why is Bayesian estimation important
- Text classification
  - Bag of words model
- Gaussian NB
  - Features are still conditionally independent
  - Each feature has a Gaussian distribution given class