## Inf2b Learning and Data

Lecture 7: Text Classification using Naive Bayes

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# **Identifying Spam**

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# Identifying Spam

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# Identifying Spam

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# Text Classification using Bayes Theorem

- Document D, with a fixed set of classes  $C = \{c_1, \dots, c_K\}$
- Classify D as the class with the highest posterior probability:

$$P(c_k|D) = \frac{P(D|c_k)P(c_k)}{P(D)} \propto P(D|c_k)P(c_k)$$

- How do we represent *D*?
- How do we estimate  $P(D|c_k)$  and  $P(c_k)$ ?

## How do we represent D?

- A sequence of words computational very expensive, difficult to train
- A set of words (Bag-of-Words)
  - Ignore the position of the word
  - Ignore the order of the word
  - Consider the words in pre-defined vocabulary
- **Bernoulli document model** a document is represented by a binary feature vector, whose elements indicate absence or presence of corresponding word in the document
- Multinomial document model a document is represented by an integer feature vector, whose elements indicate frequency of corresponding word in the document

## Bog-of-Words models

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Term	Bernoulli	Multinomial
Α	1	1
AM	0	0
ARE	1	1
:	:	:
CAN	0	0
CASINO	1	1
CATEGORY	1	2
:	:	:
THE	1	4
TO	1	3
WINNER	1	1
YOU	1	3
YOUR	1	1

# How do we estimate $P(D|c_k)$ and $P(c_k)$ ?

Estimating the terms: (non-Bayesian)

Priors: 
$$P(C = c_k) \approx \frac{N_k}{N}$$
  $(N = \sum_k N_k)$ 

Likelihoods: assume 
$$P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k) = \prod_{i=1}^{d} P(x_i \mid c_k)$$
 (the naive bit)

$$pprox \prod_{i} \frac{n_{k,i}(x_i)}{N_k}$$

Bayesian class estimation:

$$P(c_k \mid \mathbf{x}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k) P(c_k)}{P(\mathbf{x})} \propto P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k) P(c_k)$$

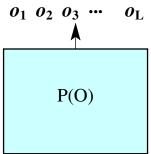
## Generative models for classification

Model for classification  $P(c_k | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{x} | c_k) P(c_k)}{P(\mathbf{x})} \propto P(\mathbf{x} | c_k) P(c_k)$ 

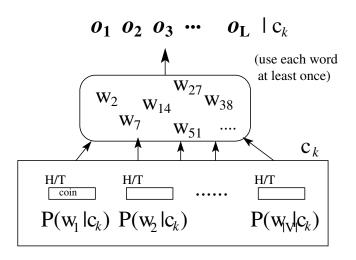
Model for observation · · · generative model

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(\mathbf{x}|c_k) P(c_k)$$

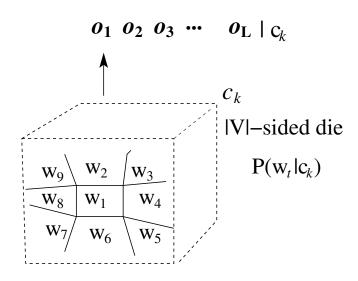
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## Generative model — Bernoulli document model



## Generative model — Multinomial document model



## Bernoulli document model

**Features:**  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{|V|})$  : length |V| *binary vector* of word occurrences

#### True generative process:

 $\mathbf{x} \leftarrow$  vector of zeros Human writes email when tth word used, set  $x_t \leftarrow 1$ 

#### Model's generative process:

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 \begin{aligned} \textbf{for} \ t &= 1 \ \text{to} \ |V| \text{:} \\ \text{Spin biased coin} \ t \\ \textbf{if} \ \text{heads:} \ x_t \leftarrow 1 \ \textbf{else} \text{:} \ x_t \leftarrow 0 \end{aligned}
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## Classification with Bernoulli document model

#### **Training Data:**

matrix **B**, document i feature vector:  $\mathbf{B}_i$ presence of word t in document i:  $B_{it}$ 

#### Parameter estimation:

Priors: 
$$P(c_k) \approx \frac{N_k}{N}$$
  
Likelihoods:  $P(w_t \mid c_k) \approx \frac{n_k(w_t)}{N_k}$  (fraction of class  $k$  docs with word  $w_t$ )

#### Classify new document D, feature vector: b

$$P(\mathbf{b} \mid c_k) = \prod_{t=1}^{|V|} [b_t P(w_t \mid c_k) + (1 - b_t)(1 - P(w_t \mid c_k))]$$

$$= \prod_{t=1}^{|V|} P(w_t \mid c_k)^{b_t} (1 - P(w_t \mid c_k))^{(1 - b_t)}$$

$$P(c_k \mid \mathbf{b}) \propto P(c_k) P(\mathbf{b} \mid c_k)$$

## Example

Classify documents as Sports (S) or Informatics (I)

#### Vocabulary V:

 $w_1 = \mathsf{goal}$ 

 $w_2 = tutor$ 

 $w_3 = \text{variance}$ 

 $w_4 = \mathsf{speed}$ 

 $w_5 = drink$ 

 $w_6 = \text{defence}$ 

 $w_7 = performance$ 

 $w_8 = field$ 

## Example

**Training data:** (rows give documents, columns word presence)

#### **Estimating priors and likelihoods:**

$$P(S) = 6/11, \quad P(I) = 5/11$$
  
 $(P(w_t|S)) = (3/6 1/6 2/6 3/6 3/6 4/6 4/6 4/6)$   
 $(P(w_t|I)) = (1/5 3/5 3/5 1/5 1/5 1/5 3/5 1/5)$ 

## Example (cont.)

Priors, Likelihoods: 
$$P(S) = 6/11$$
,  $P(I) = 5/11$   
 $(P(w_t|S)) = (3/6 1/6 2/6 3/6 3/6 4/6 4/6 4/6)$   
 $(P(w_t|I)) = (1/5 3/5 3/5 1/5 1/5 1/5 3/5 1/5)$ 

#### Posterior probabilites:

$$P(S|\mathbf{b}_{1}) \propto P(S) \prod_{t=1}^{8} [b_{1t}P(w_{t}|S) + (1-b_{1t})(1-P(w_{t}|S))]$$

$$\propto \frac{6}{11} \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{5}{891} = 5.6 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$P(I|\mathbf{b}_{1}) \propto P(I) \prod_{t=1}^{8} [b_{1t}P(w_{t}|I) + (1-b_{1t})(1-P(w_{t}|I))]$$

$$\propto \frac{5}{11} \left(\frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{5}\right) = \frac{8}{859375} = 9.3 \times 10^{-6}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Classify this document as S.

## Multinomial document model

**Features:**  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{|V|})$  : length |V| *integer vector* of word counts

#### True generative process:

 $\mathbf{x} \leftarrow$  vector of zeros human writes email whenever t th word used,  $x_t \leftarrow x_t + 1$ 

#### Model's generative process:

x ← vector of zeros **for** each word in document:

$$t \sim \text{biased } |V| \text{-sided die}$$
  
 $x_t \leftarrow x_t + 1$ 

## Classification with multinomial document model

#### Data:

 $x_{it}$ : the count of the number of times  $w_t$  occurs in document i  $z_{ik} = 1$  if document i is of class k, 0 otherwise

#### Parameter estimation:

Priors: 
$$P(c_k) \approx \frac{N_k}{N}$$

Likelihoods: 
$$P(w_t | c_k) \approx \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{it} z_{ik}}{\sum_{t'=1}^{|V|} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{it'} z_{ik}}$$

the relative frequency of  $w_t$  in documents of class C = k with respect to the total number of words in documents of that class

#### Classify new document *D*, feature vector: x:

$$P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k) \propto \prod_{t=1}^{|V|} P(w_t \mid c_k)^{x_t}$$
 NB:  $P()^0 = 1$ 

$$P(C \mid \mathbf{x}) \propto P(C) P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k)$$

## Classification with multinomial document model

Assume a test document D is given as a sequece of words :  $(o_1, o_2, \ldots, o_L)$  and  $o_i \in V$ .

$$P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k) \propto \prod_{t=1}^{|V|} P(w_t \mid c_k)^{x_t} = \prod_{i=1}^{L} P(o_i \mid c_k)$$

## Multinomial distribution

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{|V|})$$

$$P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k) \propto \prod^{|V|} P(w_t \mid c_k)^{x_t}$$

To be more specific,

$$P(\mathbf{x} \mid c_k) = \frac{n!}{\prod_{t=1}^{|V|} x_t!} \prod_{t=1}^{|V|} P(w_t \mid c_k)^{x_t}$$

where  $n = \sum_{t=1}^{|V|} x_t$ , i.e. the total number of words in the document.

# Question

What's the approximate value of:

- (a) in the Bernoulli model
- (b) in the multinomial model?

Common words, 'stop words', are often removed from feature vectors.

# Smoothing

A 'trick' to avoid zero counts:

$$P(w_t \mid C = k) \approx \frac{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{it} z_{ik}}{|V| + \sum_{t'=1}^{|V|} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{it'} z_{ik}}$$

Add 'the dictionary' to the training data for each class

Known as Laplace's rule of succession. Commonly used.

Laplace's rule of succession can be derived from a Bayesian viewpoint. The imaginary counts can overwhelm the data for large 'vocabularies'. In later courses you may see more sophisticated smoothing methods.

# Which document model should we use, Bernoulli or Multinomial?

Fig. 1 in A. McCallum and K.Nigam, "A Comparison of Event Models for Naive Bayes Text Classification", AAAI Workshop on Learning for Text Categorization, 1998

# Document pre-processing

#### Stop-word removal

Remove pre-defined common words that are not specific or discriminatory to the different classes.

#### Stemming

Reduce different forms of the same word into a single word (base/root form)

#### Feature selection

e.g. choose words based on the mutual information

# Summary

#### Our first 'real' application of Naive Bayes

Two models for documents: Bernoulli and Multinomial

#### As always:

be able to implement, describe, compare and contrast (see Lecture Note)

#### Errata for Lecture Note 7:

Section 6 (page 9), remove Item 6:

#### 6. Non-occurring words:

Bernoulli: affect the document probabilities.

Multinomial: do not affect the document probabilities.