

Lecture 17

Naïve Bayes

DSC 40A, Summer 2024

Announcements

- Homework 8, the final homework, is due tomorrow.
 - It's short: only two questions.

The Final Exam is on Friday, September 6th!

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- 180 minutes, on paper, no calculators or electronics.
 - You are allowed to bring two double-sided index cards (4 inches by 6 inches) of notes that you write by hand (no iPad).
- Content: All lectures (including this week), homeworks (including HW 8), and groupworks.
- Prepare by practicing with old exam problems at practice.dsc40a.com.
 - There are tons of past probability exams, searchable by topic.
 - Check out the [advice page](#) for study strategies.
- No formal review session but lots of office hours this week – come through!

Agenda

- Classification.
- Classification and conditional independence.
- Naïve Bayes.

Recap: Bayes' Theorem, independence, and conditional independence

- Bayes' Theorem describes how to update the probability of one event, given that another event has occurred.

$$\overset{\text{new}}{\mathbb{P}(B|A)} = \frac{\overset{\text{old}}{\mathbb{P}(B)} \cdot \overset{\text{input } A}{\mathbb{P}(A|B)}}{\mathbb{P}(A)}$$

- A and B are independent if:

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B)$$

- A and B are **conditionally independent** given C if:

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{P}((A \cap B)|C) = \mathbb{P}(A|C) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|C)$$

- In general, there is no relationship between independence and conditional independence.

$\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \mathbb{P}(A)$
 $\mathbb{P}(B|A) = \mathbb{P}(B)$

Question 🤔

Answer at q.dsc40a.com

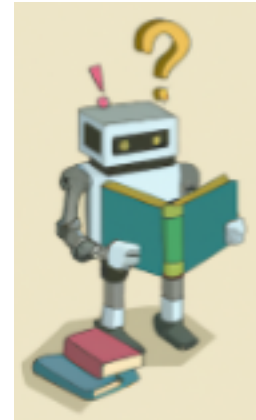
Remember, you can always ask questions at q.dsc40a.com!

If the direct link doesn't work, click the "🤔 Lecture Questions"
link in the top right corner of dsc40a.com.

Classification

When you already know the "right answer" in your dataset
⇒ y variable

Taxonomy of machine learning



Labeled data

Unlabeled data

Reward

Supervised learning

Unsupervised learning

Reinforcement learning

Quantitative prediction

Categorical prediction

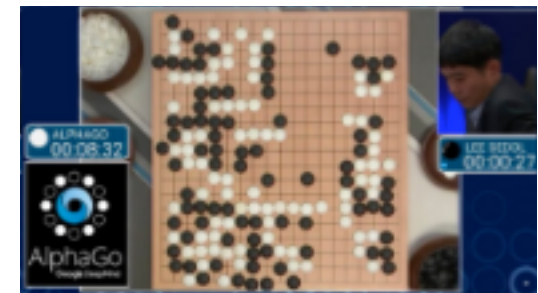
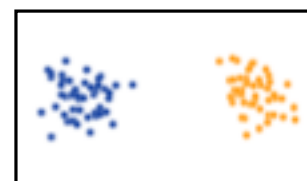
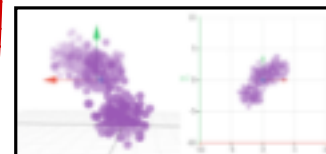
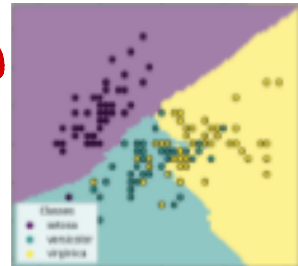
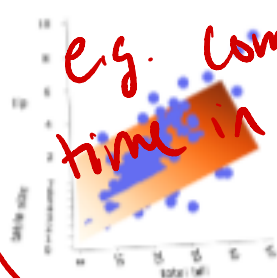
Regression

Classification

Dimensionality reduction

Clustering

Predict a real number — y_i
e.g. Commute time (in minutes)



AlphaGo

Classification problems

- Like with regression, we're interested in making predictions based on data (called **training data**) for which we know the value of the response variable. *y*
- The difference is that the response variable is now **categorical**. *y*
- Categories are called **classes**. *y*
- Example classification problems:
 - Deciding whether a patient has kidney disease.
 - Identifying handwritten digits.
 - Determining whether an avocado is ripe. *today*
 - Predicting whether credit card activity is fraudulent.
 - Predicting whether you'll be late to school or not.

Example: Avocados

color	ripeness
bright green	unripe ✗
green-black	ripe ✓
purple-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓
bright green	unripe ✗
green-black	ripe ✓
purple-black	ripe ✓
green-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓

training data

You have a green-black avocado, and want to know if it is ripe.

more of the G-B avocados are ripe than unripe
Question: Based on this data, would you predict your avocado is ripe or unripe?

Of the 5 G-B avocados I've seen:

3 are ripe

2 are unripe

3 > 2 so I'll predict that my new avocado is ripe!

Example: Avocados

color	ripeness
bright green	unripe ✗
green-black	ripe ✓
purple-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓
bright green	unripe ✗
green-black	ripe ✓
purple-black	ripe ✓
green-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓

^{new}
You have a green-black avocado, and want to know if it is ripe. Based on this data, would you predict your avocado is ripe or unripe?

Strategy: Calculate two probabilities:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{green-black}) &= \frac{3}{5} \\ \mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{green-black}) &= \frac{2}{5}\end{aligned}$$

total # of G-B avocados

Then, predict the class with a **larger** probability.

$\frac{3}{5} > \frac{2}{5}$ so ripe seems more likely.

predict ripe $\rightarrow H(\text{green-black}) = \text{ripe}$

Estimating probabilities

population parameters

- We would like to determine $\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{green-black})$ and $\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{green-black})$ for all avocados in the universe.
- All we have is a single dataset, which is a **sample** of all avocados in the universe.
- We can estimate these probabilities by using sample proportions. — sample statistic

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{green-black}) \approx \frac{\# \text{ ripe green-black avocados in sample}}{\# \text{ green-black avocados in sample}}$$

- Per the **law of large numbers** in DSC 10, larger samples lead to more reliable estimates of population parameters.

Example: Avocados

color	ripeness
bright green	unripe ✗
green-black	ripe ✓
purple-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓
bright green	unripe ✗
green-black	ripe ✓
purple-black	ripe ✓
green-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓

You have a green-black avocado, and want to know if it is ripe. Based on this data, would you predict your avocado is ripe or unripe?

predict!

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{green-black}) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{green-black}) = \frac{2}{5}$$

Bayes' Theorem for Classification

- Suppose that A is the event that an avocado has certain features, and B is the event that an avocado belongs to a certain class. Then, by Bayes' Theorem:

$$\mathbb{P}(B|A) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(B) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A|B)}{\mathbb{P}(A)}$$

- More generally:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{features})}$$

- What's the point?
 - Usually, it's not possible to estimate $\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features})$ directly.
 - Instead, we often have to estimate $\mathbb{P}(\text{class})$, $\mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})$, and $\mathbb{P}(\text{features})$ separately.

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{green-black}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{green-black}|\text{ripe})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{green-black})}$$

Example: Avocados

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bright green	unripe ✗
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green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓
bright green	unripe ✗
green-black	ripe ✓
purple-black	ripe ✓
green-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓

$$\frac{3}{7} = \frac{\frac{3}{11}}{\frac{7}{11}} \Rightarrow \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{green-black} \wedge \text{ripe})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe})}$$

You have a green-black avocado, and want to know if it is ripe. Based on this data, would you predict your avocado is ripe or unripe?

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{features})}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{green-black}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{green-black}|\text{ripe})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{green-black})}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{7}{11} \cdot \frac{3}{7}}{\frac{5}{11}} = \frac{\frac{3}{11}}{\frac{5}{11}} = \frac{3}{5}$$

same as before!

Example: Avocados

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green-black	unripe ✗
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You have a green-black avocado, and want to know if it is ripe. Based on this data, would you predict your avocado is ripe or unripe?

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{features})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}(\text{unripe} | \text{green-black}) \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{g-b} | \text{unripe})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{g-b})} = \frac{\frac{1}{11} \cdot \frac{2}{4}}{\frac{5}{11}} = \boxed{\frac{2}{5}} \\ & \text{Same!} \end{aligned}$$

Example: Avocados

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green-black	ripe ✓
green-black	unripe ✗
purple-black	ripe ✓

You have a green-black avocado, and want to know if it is ripe. Based on this data, would you predict your avocado is ripe or unripe?

fixed for a given input

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{features})}$$

5/11

Shortcut: Both probabilities have the same denominator, so the larger probability is the one with the **larger numerator**.

proportional to

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{green-black}) = \propto \mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{g-b}|\text{ripe})$$

= 3/11 bigger!

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{green-black}) = \propto \mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{g-b}|\text{unripe})$$

= 2/11

Classification and conditional independence

Example: Avocados, but with more features

new

You have a firm green-black Zutano avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ripe or unripe?

color	softness	variety	ripeness
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	medium	Hass	ripe
purple-black	firm	Hass	ripe
green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

x *y*

Example: Avocados, but with more features

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bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
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green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

You have a firm green-black Zutano avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ripe or unripe?

Strategy: Calculate $\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{features})$ and $\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{features})$ and choose the class with the **larger** probability.

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$$


$$= \frac{\# \text{ ripe, firm, g-b, Zutano}}{\# \text{ firm, g-b, Zutano}} = \frac{0}{0} = ???$$

Example: Avocados, but with more features

color	softness	variety	ripeness
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
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purple-black	firm	Hass	ripe
green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

You have a firm green-black Zutano avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ripe or unripe?

Strategy: Calculate $\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{features})$ and $\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{features})$ and choose the class with the **larger** probability.

Issue: We have not seen a firm green-black Zutano avocado before, which means that the following probabilities are undefined:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$$

$$\mathbb{P}(A \wedge B | C) = \mathbb{P}(A | C) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B | C) \quad \text{Cond. indep!}$$

A simplifying assumption

- We want to find $\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe} | \text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$, but there are no firm green-black Zutano avocados in our dataset.
- Bayes' Theorem tells us this probability is equal to:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe} | \text{firm, green-black, Zutano}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano} | \text{ripe})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})}$$

$\mathbb{P}(\text{features} | \text{class})$

$\mathbb{P}(\text{class} | \text{features})$

- **Key idea:** Assume that features are **conditionally independent** given a class (e.g. ripe).

"ripe" is the given

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano} | \text{ripe}) = \mathbb{P}(\text{firm} | \text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{green-black} | \text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{Zutano} | \text{ripe})$$

Example: Avocados, but with more features

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bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
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purple-black	firm	Hass	ripe
green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

You have a firm green-black Zutano avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ripe or unripe?

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe} | \text{firm, green-black, Zutano}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano} | \text{ripe})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \propto \mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{firm, g-b, Zutano} | \text{ripe}) \\
 & = \mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{firm} | \text{ripe}) \mathbb{P}(\text{g-b} | \text{ripe}) \mathbb{P}(\text{Zutano} | \text{ripe}) \\
 & = \frac{7}{11} \cdot \frac{1}{7} \cdot \frac{3}{7} \cdot \frac{2}{7} = \boxed{\frac{6}{539}}
 \end{aligned}$$

assuming! features
conditionally independent
given class

Example: Avocados, but with more features

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bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	medium	Hass	ripe
purple-black	firm	Hass	ripe
green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

You have a firm green-black Zutano avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ripe or unripe?

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe} | \text{firm, green-black, Zutano}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano} | \text{unripe})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})}$$

$\propto \mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}) \mathbb{P}(\text{firm} | \text{unripe}) \mathbb{P}(\text{g-b} | \text{unripe}) \mathbb{P}(\text{Zutano} | \text{unripe})$
 $= \frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{4} = \boxed{\frac{3}{44} = \frac{6}{88}}$

Conclusion

- The numerator of $\mathbb{P}(\text{ripe}|\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$ is $\frac{6}{539}$.
- The numerator of $\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}|\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$ is $\frac{6}{88}$.
- Both probabilities have the same denominator, $\mathbb{P}(\text{firm, green-black, Zutano})$.
- Since we're just interested in seeing which one is larger, we can ignore the denominator and compare numerators.
- Since the numerator for unripe is **larger** than the numerator for ripe, we **predict that our avocado is unripe** ✗.

$$\frac{6}{8} > \frac{6}{10}$$

.75 > 0.6

Naïve Bayes

The Naïve Bayes classifier

- We want to predict a class, given certain features.
- Using Bayes' Theorem, we write:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{features})}$$

apply cond. indep to this
 $\propto \mathbb{P}(\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})$

- For each class, we compute the numerator using the **naïve** assumption of **conditional independence of features given the class**.
- We estimate each term in the numerator based on the training data.
- We predict the class with the largest numerator.
 - Works if we have multiple classes, too!

Dictionary

Definitions from [Oxford Languages](#) · [Learn more](#)



na·ive

/nä'ēv/

adjective

(of a person or action) showing a lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment.

"the rather naive young man had been totally misled"

- (of a person) natural and unaffected; innocent.
"Andy had a sweet, naive look when he smiled"

Similar:

innocent

unsophisticated

artless

ingenuous

inexperienced



- of or denoting art produced in a straightforward style that deliberately rejects sophisticated artistic techniques and has a bold directness resembling a child's work, typically in bright colors with little or no perspective.

Example: Avocados, again

color	softness	variety	ripeness
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	medium	Hass	ripe
purple-black	firm	Hass	ripe
green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

You have a soft, green-black Hass avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ^{wins!}ripe or unripe?

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P(\text{ripe} \mid \text{soft}, \text{g-b}, \text{Hass}) \propto \\
 &P(\text{ripe}) P(\text{soft} \mid \text{ripe}) P(\text{g-b} \mid \text{ripe}) P(\text{Hass} \mid \text{ripe}) \\
 &= \frac{7}{11} \cdot \frac{4}{7} \cdot \frac{3}{7} \cdot \frac{5}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P(\text{unripe} \mid \text{soft}, \text{g-b}, \text{Hass}) \propto \\
 &P(\text{unripe}) P(\text{soft} \mid \text{unripe}) P(\text{g-b} \mid \text{unripe}) \cdot P(\text{Hass} \mid \text{unripe}) \\
 &= \frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{0}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{4} = \boxed{0}
 \end{aligned}$$

Uh oh!

- There are no soft unripe avocados in the data set.
- The estimate $\mathbb{P}(\text{soft}|\text{unripe}) \approx \frac{\# \text{ soft unripe avocados}}{\# \text{ unripe avocados}}$ is 0.

- The estimated numerator:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{soft, green-black, Hass}|\text{unripe}) = \mathbb{P}(\text{unripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{soft}|\text{unripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{green-black}|\text{unripe}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{Hass}|\text{unripe})$$

is also 0.

- But just because there isn't a soft unripe avocado in the data set, doesn't mean that it's impossible for one to exist!
- **Idea:** Adjust the numerators and denominators of our estimate so that they're never 0.

Smoothing

- Without smoothing:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(\text{soft}|\text{unripe}) &\approx \frac{\# \text{ soft unripe}}{\# \text{ soft unripe} + \# \text{ medium unripe} + \# \text{ firm unripe}} \\ \mathbb{P}(\text{medium}|\text{unripe}) &\approx \frac{\# \text{ medium unripe}}{\# \text{ soft unripe} + \# \text{ medium unripe} + \# \text{ firm unripe}} \\ \mathbb{P}(\text{firm}|\text{unripe}) &\approx \frac{\# \text{ firm unripe}}{\# \text{ soft unripe} + \# \text{ medium unripe} + \# \text{ firm unripe}}\end{aligned}$$

Handwritten notes: "Sum up to 1" (with a bracket pointing to the three equations), "# unripe avocados" (pointing to the denominator of the first equation), and "= 0" (above the first equation).

- With smoothing:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(\text{soft}|\text{unripe}) &\approx \frac{\# \text{ soft unripe} + 1}{\# \text{ soft unripe} + 1 + \# \text{ medium unripe} + 1 + \# \text{ firm unripe} + 1} \\ \mathbb{P}(\text{medium}|\text{unripe}) &\approx \frac{\# \text{ medium unripe} + 1}{\# \text{ soft unripe} + 1 + \# \text{ medium unripe} + 1 + \# \text{ firm unripe} + 1} \\ \mathbb{P}(\text{firm}|\text{unripe}) &\approx \frac{\# \text{ firm unripe} + 1}{\# \text{ soft unripe} + 1 + \# \text{ medium unripe} + 1 + \# \text{ firm unripe} + 1}\end{aligned}$$

Handwritten notes: "Add 1" (with a bracket pointing to the three equations), "# soft unripe + 1 → can't be 0 any more!" (above the first equation), and a red star at the bottom right.

- When smoothing, we add 1 to the count of every group whenever we're estimating a conditional probability.

Example: Avocados, with smoothing *only cond. prob.*

color	softness	variety	ripeness
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	medium	Hass	ripe
purple-black	firm	Hass	ripe
green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

You have a soft green-black Hass avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ripe or unripe?

$P(\text{ripe} \mid \text{soft}, \text{g-b}, \text{H})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \propto P(\text{ripe}) P(\text{soft} \mid \text{ripe}) P(\text{g-b} \mid \text{ripe}) \cdot P(\text{Hass} \mid \text{ripe}) \\
 & = \underbrace{\frac{7}{11}}_{\text{Not smoothed}} \cdot \frac{4+1}{7+3} \cdot \frac{3+1}{7+3} \cdot \frac{5+1}{7+2} = \frac{14}{165}
 \end{aligned}$$

soft, med, firm
 g-b, b-g, p-b
 Hass, Zutano

Example: Avocados, with smoothing

color	softness	variety	ripeness
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	medium	Hass	ripe
purple-black	firm	Hass	ripe
green-black	medium	Hass	unripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
bright green	firm	Zutano	unripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
purple-black	soft	Hass	ripe
green-black	soft	Zutano	ripe
green-black	firm	Hass	unripe
purple-black	medium	Hass	ripe

You have a soft green-black Hass avocado. Based on this data, would you predict that your avocado is ripe or unripe?

$P(\text{unripe} | \text{soft, g-b, Hass})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\propto P(\text{unripe}) \cdot P(\text{soft} | \text{unripe}) \cdot P(\text{g-b} | \text{unripe}) \cdot P(\text{Hass} | \text{unripe}) \\
 &= \frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{0+1}{4+3} \cdot \frac{2+1}{4+3} \cdot \frac{2+1}{4+2} = \boxed{\frac{6}{539}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\uparrow$
 g-b, p-b, b-g

$\uparrow$
 H, Z

ripe ^{using proportionality trick} numerator : $\frac{14}{165}$

unripe numerator : $\frac{6}{539}$

predict a soft, green-black, Hass avocado is

Ripe

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- In classification, our goal is to predict a discrete category, called a **class**, given some features.
- The Naïve Bayes classifier uses Bayes' Theorem:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class})}{\mathbb{P}(\text{features})}$$

- And works by estimating the numerator of $\mathbb{P}(\text{class}|\text{features})$ for all possible classes.
- It also uses a simplifying assumption, that features are conditionally independent given a class:

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{features}|\text{class}) = \mathbb{P}(\text{feature}_1|\text{class}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(\text{feature}_2|\text{class}) \cdot \dots$$