

# CMSC422: Practice Problems 2

## 1 Naïve Bayes Classifiers

Consider three random variables  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  and  $Y$ .  $X_1$  and  $Y$  are generated according to Tables 1 and 2. Once  $X_1$  has been generated,  $X_2$  is assigned the same value as  $X_1$ .

$P(Y)$	
$Y = 0$	0.7
$Y = 1$	0.3

Table 1:  $P(Y)$

	$X_1 = 0$	$X_1 = 1$
$Y = 0$	0.6	0.4
$Y = 1$	0.4	0.6

Table 2:  $P(X_1|Y)$

Consider a Naïve Bayes classifier trained on features  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  to predict class label  $Y$ , using a very large number of training examples generated from the probability distributions in Tables 1 and 2.

1. Express  $P(X_2 = x|Y = y)$  as a function of probabilities given in Tables 1 and 2, and use the resulting formula to fill up Table 3.

	$X_2 = 0$	$X_2 = 1$
$Y = 0$		
$Y = 1$		

Table 3:  $P(X_2|Y)$

2. What is the prediction  $y_a$  of the classifier for  $X_1 = 0$  and  $X_2 = 0$ ? Explain.
3. What is the prediction  $y_b$  of the classifier for  $X_1 = 0$  and  $X_2 = 1$ ? Explain.
4. What is the prediction  $y_c$  of the classifier for  $X_1 = 1$  and  $X_2 = 0$ ? Explain.
5. What is the prediction  $y_d$  of the classifier for  $X_1 = 1$  and  $X_2 = 1$ ? Explain.

Now consider a second naïve Bayes classifier trained without the duplicate feature  $X_2$ .

1. What predictions does the second classifier make? Do they agree with those of the first classifier?
2. What is the impact of the duplicate feature  $X_2$  on the probabilities of the predictions made by the 1st classifier compares to the 2nd?

## 2 Expressiveness of Neural Networks

Consider neural networks built out of units that take real-valued input  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  where the unit output  $Y$  is given by

$$Y = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-(w_0 + \sum_i w_i X_i))}.$$

In this problem, we explore the ability of such neural networks to represent boolean functions. The inputs  $X_i$  will be 0 or 1. The output  $Y$  will be real-valued, ranging between 0 and 1. We will interpret  $Y$  as a boolean value by interpreting it to be a boolean 1 if  $Y > 0.5$ , and interpreting it to be a boolean 0 otherwise.

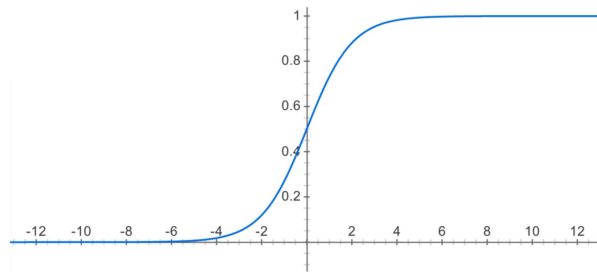


Figure 1: Non-linearity function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)}$

- Using Figure 1, give 3 weights for a single unit with inputs  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  that implements the logical OR function  $Y = X_1 \vee X_2$ .
- Give 3 weights for a single unit with inputs  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  that implements the logical AND function  $Y = X_1 \wedge X_2$ .
- It is impossible to implement XOR ( $Y = X_1 \oplus X_2$ ) in a single unit. However, you can do it with a neural network of multiple units. Design a network to implement XOR with the smallest number of unit you can. Draw it and show the weights for each unit.
- Create a network with one hidden layer that implements the function  $Y = (A \vee \neg B) \oplus (\neg C \vee \neg D)$  Draw your network, and show all weights of each unit.

### 3 Bias Updates in 2-Layer Feedforward Neural Network

Consider the neural network defined in Figure ???. We want to train it using the backpropagation algorithm to minimize squared error on the training set.

Recall that derived update rules for a similar neural network without explicit bias terms in class.

1. Derive the update rule for parameters  $v_{b_n}$ .
2. Derive the update rule for parameters  $w_{1,b_i}$  and  $w_{2,b_i}$ .
3. The bias is sometimes referred to as a pseudo-feature. Explain why, based on your answers to the two previous questions.