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## Final project

1. Your project should relate to something involving NLP
2. Your project must include a solid experimental evaluation
3. Your project should be in a group of 2-4. If you'd like to do it solo, please come talk to me.

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## Admin

Assignment 6b

No class Tuesday

Assignment 7 out Monday

Final project

| date | time | description |
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| $11 / 5$ | in-class | Project proposal presentation |
| $11 / 11$ | $11: 59 \mathrm{pm}$ | Project proposal write-up |
| $11 / 11$ | $11: 59 \mathrm{pm}$ | Status report |
| $11 / 23$ | $11: 59 \mathrm{pm}$ | Paper draft |
| $11 / 24$ | in-class | Presentation |
| $11 / 25$ | $11: 59 \mathrm{pm}$ | Final paper and code |

Read the final project handout ASAP!
Start forming groups and thinking about what you want to do

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Final project ideas
pick a text classification task

- evaluate different machine learning methods
- implement a machine learning method
- analyze different feature categories
n -gram language modeling
- implement and compare other smoothing techniques
- implement alternative models
parsing
- lexicalized PCFG (with smoothing)
n-best list generation
. parse output reranking
- implement another parsing approach and compare
- parsing non-traditional domains (e.g. twitter)

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- try and implement IBM model 2
- word-level translation models

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Basic steps for probabilistic modeling

| Step 1: pick a model | Probabilistic models |
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| Which model do we use, <br> Step 2: figure out how to <br> estimate the probabilities for we calculate <br> p(feature, label)? |  |
| the model | How do train the model, <br> i.e. how to we we <br> estimate the probabilities <br> for the model? |
| Step 3 (optional): deal with <br> overfitting | How do we deal with <br> overfitting? |

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## Final project application areas

spelling correction | part of speech tagger |
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| text chunker |
| dialogue generation |
| pronoun resolution |
| word sense disambiguation |
| machine translation |
| information retrieval |
| information extraction |
| question answering |
| summarization |
| speech recognition |

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Naïve Bayes assumption
$p($ features, label $)=p(y) \prod_{j=1}^{m} p\left(x_{i} \mid y, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{i-1}\right)$

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p\left(x_{i} \mid y, x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{i-1}\right)=p\left(x_{i} \mid y\right)
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Assumes feature $i$ is independent of the the other features given the label

| Generative Story |
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| To classify with a model, we're given an example and we obtain |
| the probability |
| We can also ask how a given model would generate an example |
| This is the "generative story" for a model |
| Looking at the generative story can help understand the model |
| We also can use generative stories to help develop a model |

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## Bernoulli NB generative story <br> $$
p(y) \prod_{j=1}^{m} p\left(w_{j} \mid y\right)
$$



1. Pick a label according to $p(y)$ roll a biased, num_labels-sided die
2. For each word in your vocabulary:

Flip a biased coin:
if heads, include the word in the text
if tails, don't include the word

Bernoulli NB generative story


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Flip a biased coin:
if heads, include the feature
if tails, don't include the feature
What does this mean for text classification, assuming unigram features?

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| Bernoulli NB |
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| Pros |
| $\quad \square$ Easy to implement |
| $\square$ Fast! |
| $\square$ Can be done on large data sets |
| Cons |
| $\square$ Naïve Bayes assumption is generally not true |
| $\square$ Performance isn't as good as other models |
| $\square$ For text classification (and other sparse feature |
| domains) the $\mathrm{p}\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}}=0 \mid y\right)$ can be problematic |

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { What if I told you } 1 \text { was twice as likely as the others? } \\
& \begin{array}{lllllll}
2 / 7 & 1 / 7 & 1 / 7 & 1 / 7 & 1 / 7 & 1 / 7
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
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| A digression: rolling dice |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1. What is the probability of rolling a 1 and a 5 (in any order)? <br> 2. Two 1 s and a 5 (in any order)? <br> 3. Five 1 s and two 5 s (in any order)? |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1/4 | 1/8 | 1/8 | 1/4 | 1/8 | 1/8 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

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Back to words...
Why the digression?
$p\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{m} \mid \theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \ldots, \theta_{m}\right)=\frac{n!}{\prod_{j=1}^{m} x_{j}!\prod_{j=1}^{m} \theta_{j}^{x_{j}}}$
Drawing words from a bag is the same as rolling a die!
number of sides = number of words in the vocabulary

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## Multinomial vs. Bernoulli?

Handles word frequency

Given enough data, tends to performs better


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| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Which model do we use, } \\ \text { i.e. how do we calculate } \\ \text { p(feature, label)? }\end{array}$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Step } 3 \text { (optional): deal with } \\ \text { overfitting }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { How do train the model, } \\ \text { i.e. how to we we } \\ \text { estimate the probabilities } \\ \text { for the model? }\end{array}$ |\(\left.\quad \begin{array}{l}How do we deal with <br>

overfitting?\end{array}\right]\)

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