

# CS 260: Foundations of Data Science

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# Intro to Probability

- The **probability** of an **event**  $e$  has a number of epistemological interpretations
- Assuming we have **data**, we can count the number of times  $e$  occurs in the dataset to estimate the probability of  $e$ ,  $P(e)$ .

$$P(e) = \frac{\text{count}(e)}{\text{count}(\text{all events})}.$$

- If we put all events in a bag, shake it up, and choose one at random (called **sampling**), how likely are we to get  $e$ ?

# Intro to Probability

## Probability Axioms

1. Probabilities of events must be no less than 0.  $P(e) \geq 0$  for all  $e$ .
2. The sum of all probabilities in a distribution must sum to 1. That is,  
 $P(e_1) + P(e_2) + \dots + P(e_n) = 1$ . Or, more succinctly,

$$\sum_{e \in E} P(e) = 1.$$

# Intro to Probability

## Joint Probability

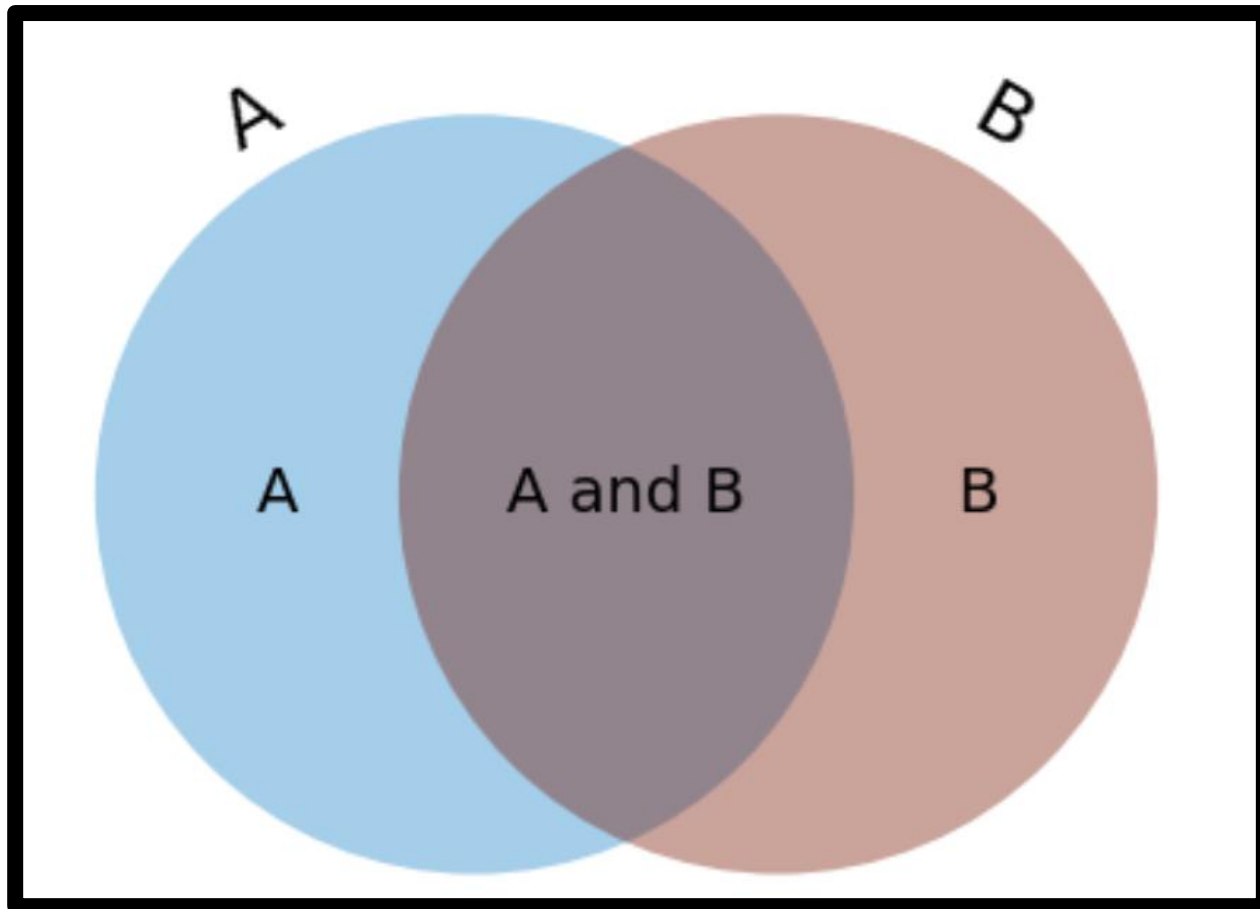
The probability that two independent events  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  *both* occur is given by their product.

$$P(e_1 \wedge e_2) = P(e_1 \cap e_2) = P(e_1)P(e_2) \text{ when } e_1 \cap e_2 = \emptyset$$

- Intuitively, think of every probability as a *scaling factor*.
- You can think of a probability as the fraction of the probability space occupied by an event  $e_1$ .
  - $P(e_1 \wedge e_2)$  is the fraction of  $e_1$ 's probability space wherein  $e_2$  also occurs.
  - So, if  $P(e_1) = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $P(e_2) = \frac{1}{3}$ , then  $P(e_2, e_1)$  is a third of a half of the probability space or  $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}$ .

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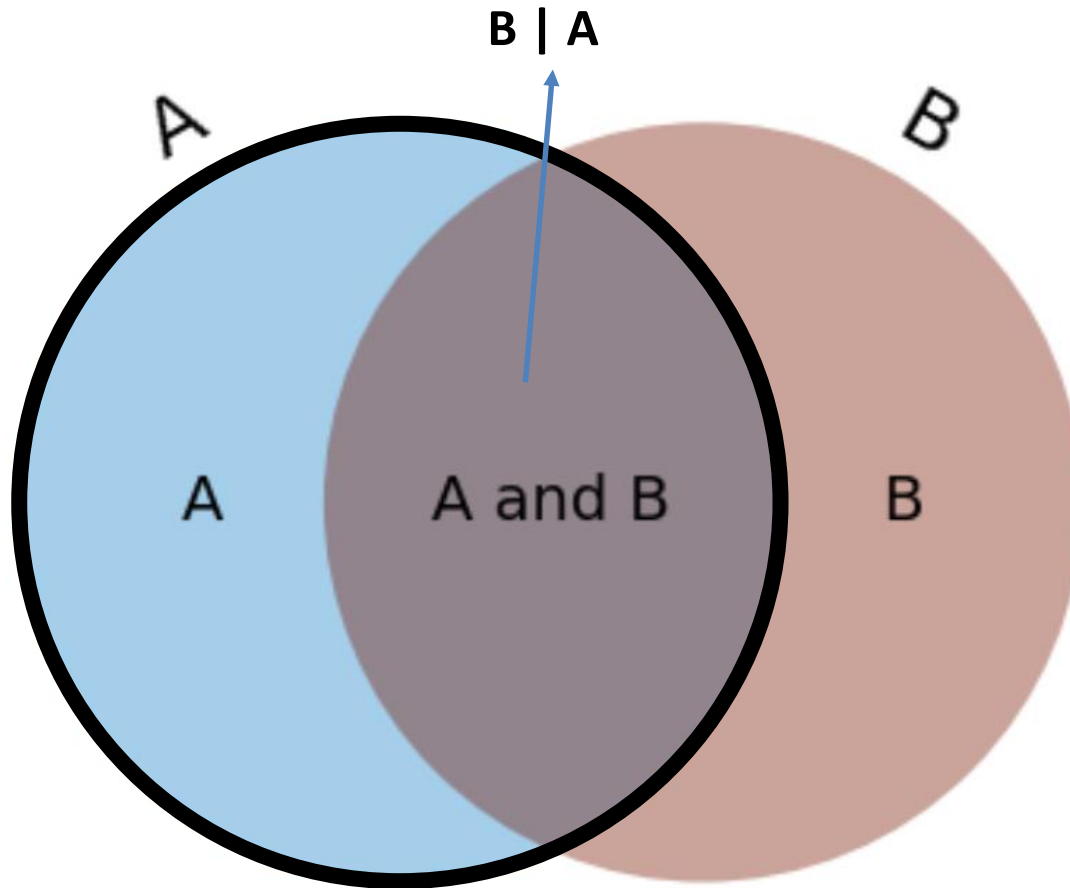
# Intro to Probability

## Conditional Probability

- A **conditional probability** is the probability that one event occurs given that we take another for granted.
- The probability of  $e_2$  given  $e_1$  is  $P(e_2 \mid e_1)$ .
- This is the probability that  $e_2$  will occur given that we take for granted that  $e_1$  occurs.

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## Marginal Probability Distributions

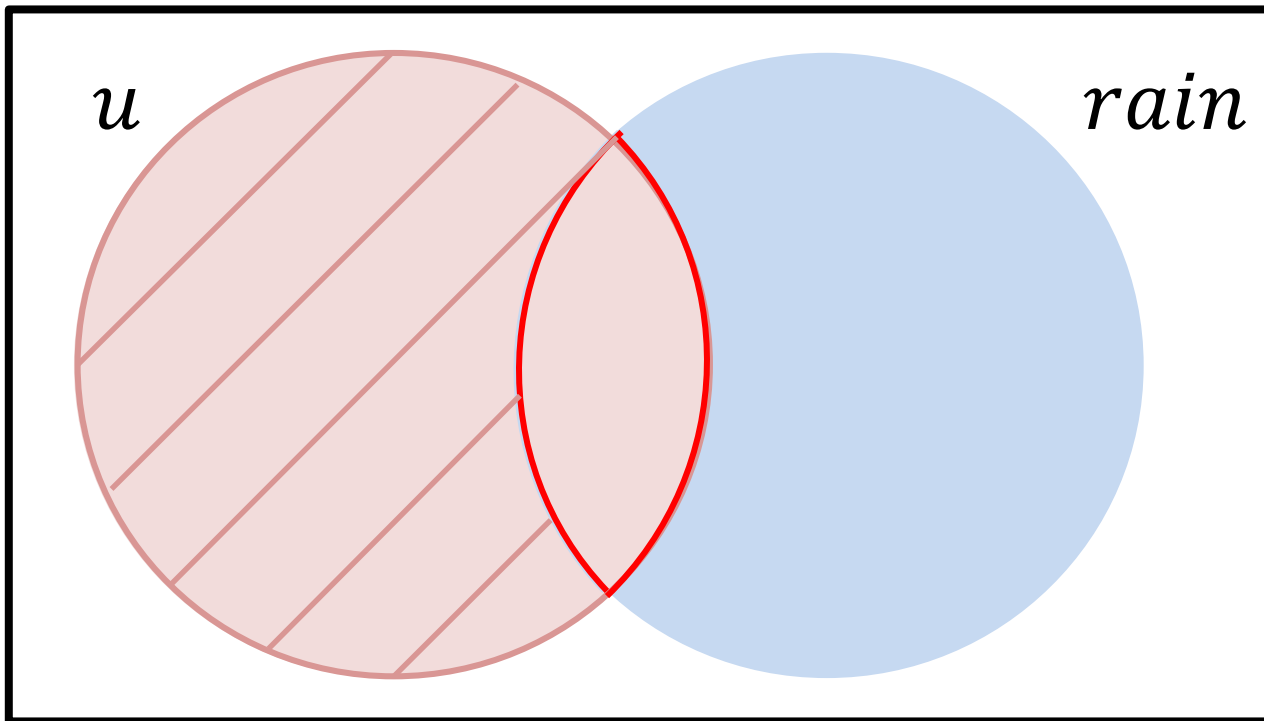
Given a discrete joint probability distribution function  $P(X, Y)$ , how would we find  $P(X)$ ?

- "Marginalize out" the  $Y$  (sum over all  $y \in Y$ ).
- Discrete Case:  $p(x) = \sum_{y \in Y} P(x, y)$
- Continuous Case:  $p(x) = \int p(x, y) dy$

# Intro to Probability

## Marginal Probability Distributions

Example:  $P(u) = P(u, rain) + P(u, \overline{rain})$



# Example

- $R = \text{rain}, U = \text{umbrella}$
- If  $P(R) = 20\%$  and  $P(R, U) = 15\%$ ,  
what is  $P(U|R)$ ?

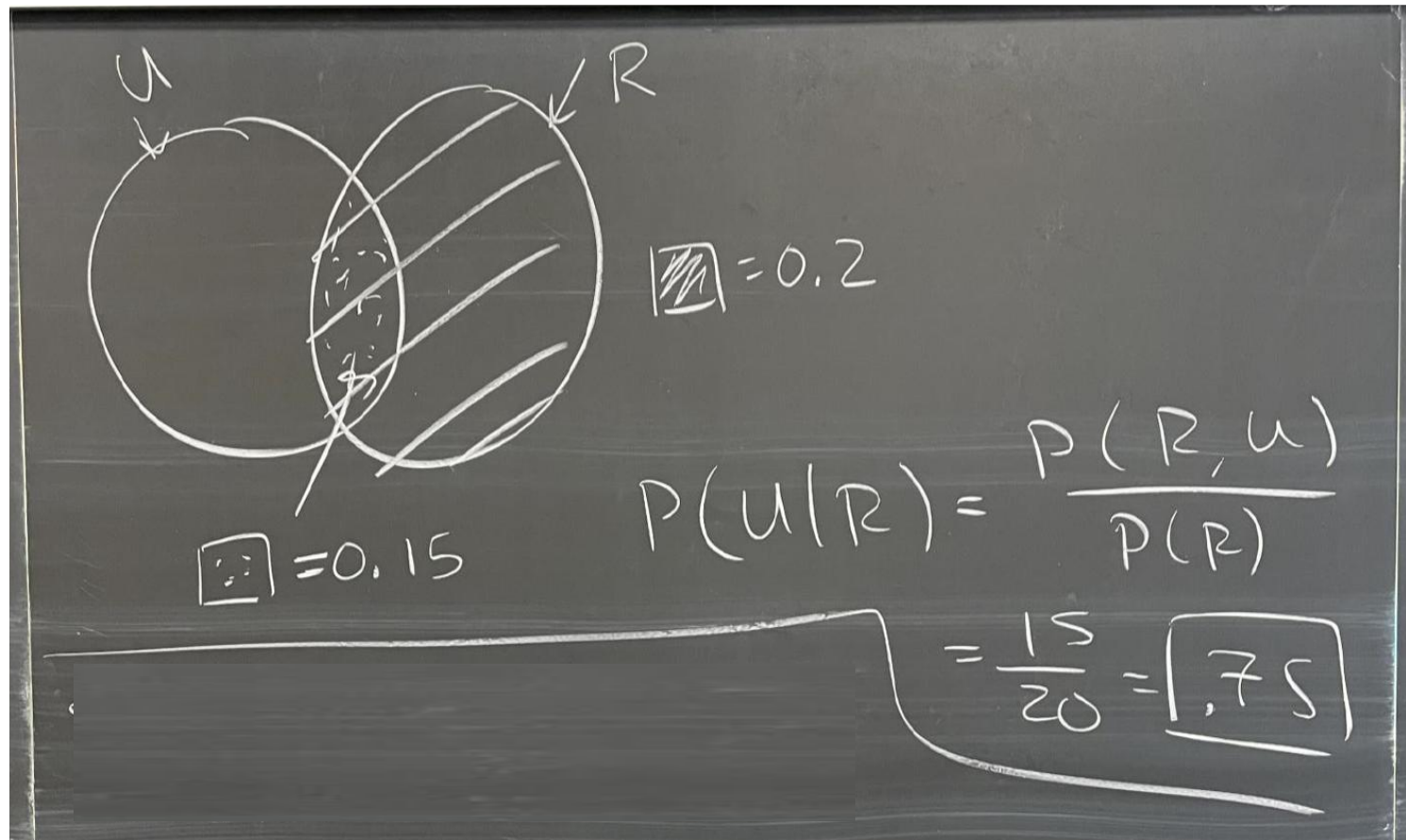
# Bayes' Theorem

- $P(A, B) = P(A|B)P(B)$
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$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

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# Independence

$$\begin{array}{l} P(A, B) = P(A)P(B) \\ \Downarrow \\ P(A|B)\cancel{P(B)} = P(A)\cancel{P(B)} \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} P(A, B) = P(A)P(B) \\ \Downarrow \\ P(A|B)\cancel{P(B)} = P(A)\cancel{P(B)} \end{array}} \right\} \text{not always true!}$$

# Conditional Independence

$$P(A|B, C) = P(A|C)$$

“ $A$  is independent of  $B$  given  $C$ ”



Example  
Y or N email

$$P(\text{spam} | \text{words}) =$$

+ want to compute  
"posterior"

$$\frac{P(\text{spam}, \text{words})}{P(\text{words})}$$

"X" "data"  
very difficult!

$$P(\text{spam}, \text{words})$$

$$= \frac{P(\text{words}, \text{spam}) + P(\text{words}, \overline{\text{spam}})}{P(\text{spam}) + P(\overline{\text{spam}})}$$

"prior"

$$= \frac{P(\text{spam}) P(\text{words} | \text{spam})}{P(\text{spam}) P(\text{words} | \text{spam}) + P(\overline{\text{spam}}) P(\text{words} | \overline{\text{spam}})}$$

"likelihood"  
(generative)

$$P(\text{spam}) P(\text{words} | \text{spam}) + P(\overline{\text{spam}}) P(\text{words} | \overline{\text{spam}})$$

"evidence"

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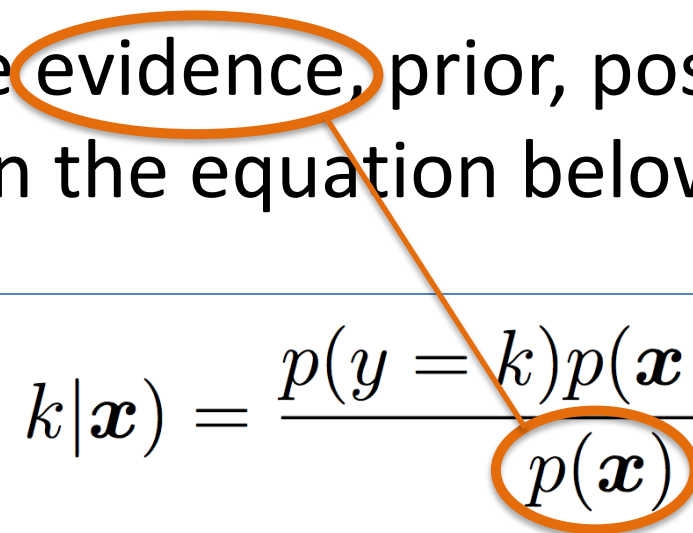
# Components of a Bayesian Model

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An orange oval highlights the word "evidence" in the text above. A line extends from this oval to another orange oval that highlights the term  $p(\mathbf{x})$  in the denominator of the equation.

- Evidence:** this is the data (features) we actually observe, which we think will help us predict the outcome we're interested in

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- Prior**: without seeing any evidence (data), what is our prior believe about each outcome (intuition: what is the outcome in the population as a whole?)

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- Likelihood**: given an outcome, what is the probability of observing this set of features?

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- Posterior**: this is the quantity we are actually interested in. *\*Given\** the evidence, what is the probability of the outcome?

# Examples

- Computing the probability an email message is **spam**, given the **words** of the email
- Another example: what is the probability of **Trisomy 21** (Down Syndrome), given the **amount of sequencing of each chromosome?**



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Prior probability of  $T_{21}$

$$= \frac{\mathbb{P}(\vec{q} | T_{21}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(T_{21})}{\mathbb{P}(\vec{q} | T_{21}) \cdot \mathbb{P}(T_{21}) + \mathbb{P}(\vec{q} | T_{21}^C) \cdot \mathbb{P}(T_{21}^C)}$$

Prior:

$P(T_{21})$

Maternal Age	Trisomy 21	All Trisomies
20	1 in 1,667	1 in 526
21	1 in 1,429	1 in 526
22	1 in 1,429	1 in 500
23	1 in 1,429	1 in 500
24	1 in 1,250	1 in 476
25	1 in 1,250	1 in 476
26	1 in 1,176	1 in 476
27	1 in 1,111	1 in 455
28	1 in 1,053	1 in 435
29	1 in 1,000	1 in 417
30	1 in 952	1 in 384
31	1 in 909	1 in 384
32	1 in 769	1 in 323
33	1 in 625	1 in 286
34	1 in 500	1 in 238
35	1 in 385	1 in 192
36	1 in 294	1 in 156
37	1 in 227	1 in 127
38	1 in 175	1 in 102
39	1 in 137	1 in 83
40	1 in 106	1 in 66
41	1 in 82	1 in 53
42	1 in 64	1 in 42
43	1 in 50	1 in 33
44	1 in 38	1 in 26
45	1 in 30	1 in 21
46	1 in 23	1 in 16
47	1 in 18	1 in 13
48	1 in 14	1 in 10
49	1 in 11	1 in 8

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$$P(D|pos) =$$

$$\frac{P(D)P(pos|D)}{P(pos)}$$

$$= \frac{P(D)P(pos|D)}{P(pos, D) + P(pos, \bar{D})}$$

$$= \frac{P(D)P(pos|D)}{P(D)P(pos|D) + P(\bar{D})P(pos|\bar{D})}$$

# Handout 10

$$p(\text{neg} | H) = 0.9$$

$$p(\text{neg} | H) + p(\text{pos} | H) = 1$$

↑ or      ~  
D

$$\frac{1}{100} \cdot \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{100} \cdot \frac{9}{10} + \frac{99}{100} \cdot \frac{1}{10} = \frac{9}{100} + \frac{99}{1000} = \frac{90}{1000} + \frac{99}{1000} = \frac{189}{1000}$$

$$\approx \boxed{18.9\%}$$



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# Real-world example of Naïve Bayes

“A Comparison of Event Models for Naive Bayes Text Classification” (6000+ citations!)

<http://www.kamalnigam.com/papers/multinomial-aaaiws98.pdf>

Goal: text classification (classify documents into topics based on the words as features)

95 topics (i.e.,  $K=95$ )

# Naïve Bayes

- Single example:  $\vec{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p]^T$
- Multi-class label:  $y \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$
- Goal: Classification  $\hat{y} = \operatorname{argmax}_{k=1, \dots, K} p(y = k | \vec{x})$

## Bayesian Model

$$p(y = k | \vec{x}) = \frac{p(y = k)p(\vec{x} | y = k)}{p(\vec{x})}$$

can ignore

# Naïve Bayes

$$p(\vec{x}|y = k) = p(\underbrace{x_1}_A, \underbrace{x_2, x_3, \dots, x_p}_B | y = k)$$

$$P(A,B)=P(B)P(A|B)$$

$$= p(\underbrace{x_2, x_3, \dots, x_p}_{\substack{C \\ D}} | y = k) \underbrace{p(x_1)}_A | \underbrace{x_2, \dots, x_p}_B, y = k)$$

$$= p(x_3, \dots, x_p | y = k) p(x_2 | x_3, \dots, x_p, y = k) \\ p(x_1 | x_2, \dots, x_p, y = k)$$

# Naïve Bayes assumption

**Conditional Independence:** “feature  $j$  is independent from all other features given label  $k$ ”

$$p(x_1, x_2 | y) = p(x_1 | y) p(x_2 | x_1, y)$$

$x_1 = 4$  legs

$x_2 = \text{fur}$       assume  $p(x_2 | x_1, y) = p(x_2 | y)$

$y = \text{cat}$

$$\Rightarrow p(x_1, x_2 | y) = p(x_1 | y) p(x_2 | y)$$

# Naïve Bayes

$$\begin{aligned} p(\vec{x}|y = k) &= p(x_p|y = k)p(x_{p-1}|y = k) \dots p(x_2|y = k) p(x_1|y = k) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^p p(x_j|y = k) \end{aligned}$$

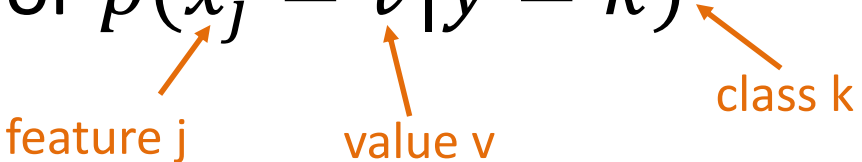
Naïve Bayes Model

$$p(y = k|\vec{x}) \propto p(y = k) \prod_{j=1}^p p(x_j|y = k)$$

proportional to

# Obtaining $p(y = k)$ & $p(x_j | y = k)$

Estimate based on training data

- $\theta_k$  = estimate for  $p(y = k)$
- $\theta_{k,j,v}$  = estimate for  $p(x_j = v | y = k)$ 

Let  $N_k$  = # of examples with label  $k$ , we could define  $\theta_k = \frac{N_k}{n}$

What happens if  $N_k = 0$ ?

# Laplace smoothing

- Technique to handle zero probability
- $\theta_k = \frac{N_k + 1}{n + K}; \quad \sum \theta_k = \sum \frac{N_k + 1}{n + K} = \frac{1}{n + K} (n + K) = 1$
- Similarly, let  $N_{k,j,v} = \#$  of examples with feature  $j = \text{value } v$  and class label  $k$

$$\theta_{k,j,v} = \frac{N_{k,j,v} + 1}{N_k + |f_j|}$$

# of feature values  
for feature  $j$