

Naive Bayes Text Classification

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Outline

Basic Probability and Notation

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Smoothing

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Summary

Crash Course in Basic Probability

Discrete Random Variable

- A is a discrete random variable if:
 - ▶ A describes an event with a finite number of possible outcomes (discrete vs continuous)
 - ▶ A describes an event whose outcomes have some degree of uncertainty (random vs. pre-determined)

Discrete Random Variables

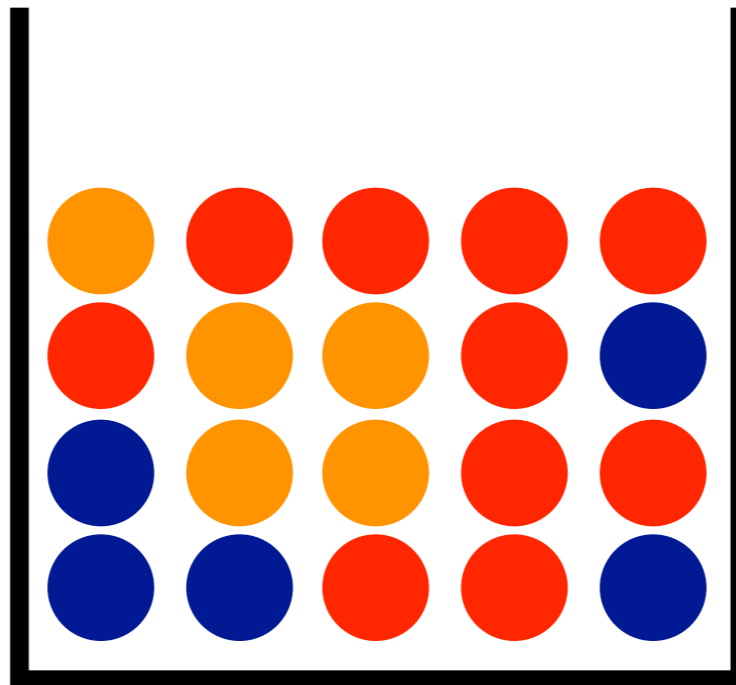
Examples

- A = the outcome of a coin-flip
 - ▶ outcomes: heads, tails
- A = it will rain tomorrow
 - ▶ outcomes: rain, no rain
- A = you have the flu
 - ▶ outcomes: flu, no flu
- A = your final grade in this class
 - ▶ outcomes: F, L, P, H

Discrete Random Variables

Examples

- A = the color of a ball pulled out from this bag
 - ▶ outcomes: **RED**, **BLUE**, **ORANGE**

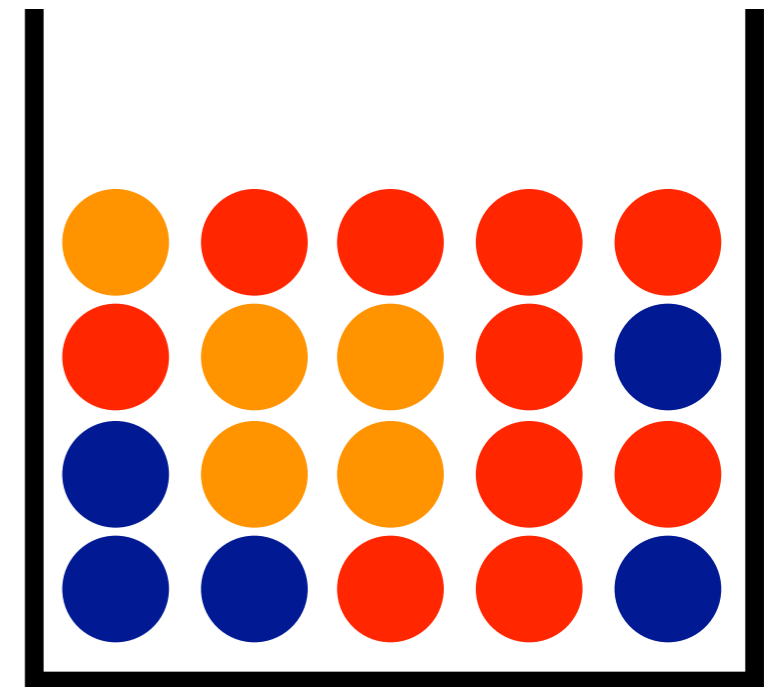


Probabilities

- Let $P(A=X)$ denote the probability that the outcome of event A equals X
- For simplicity, we often express $P(A=X)$ as $P(X)$
- Ex: $P(\text{RAIN})$, $P(\text{NO RAIN})$, $P(\text{FLU})$, $P(\text{NO FLU})$, ...

Probability Distribution

- A **probability distribution** gives the probability of each possible outcome of a random variable
- $P(\text{RED})$ = probability of pulling out a **red** ball
- $P(\text{BLUE})$ = probability of pulling out a **blue** ball
- $P(\text{ORANGE})$ = probability of pulling out an **orange** ball



Probability Distribution

- For it to be a probability distribution, two conditions must be satisfied:
 - ▶ the probability assigned to each possible outcome must be between 0 and 1 (inclusive)
 - ▶ the sum of probabilities assigned to all outcomes must equal 1

$$0 \leq P(\text{RED}) \leq 1$$

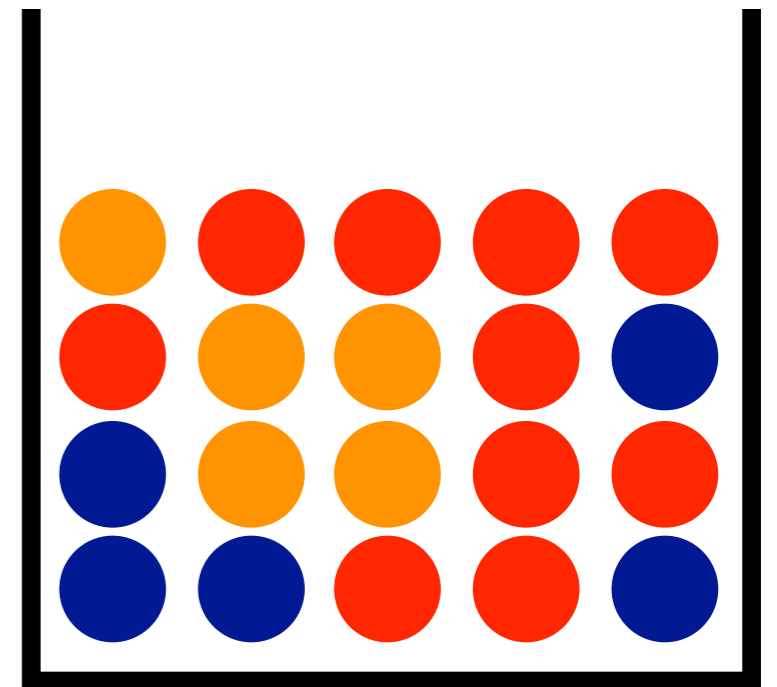
$$0 \leq P(\text{BLUE}) \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq P(\text{ORANGE}) \leq 1$$

$$P(\text{RED}) + P(\text{BLUE}) + P(\text{ORANGE}) = 1$$

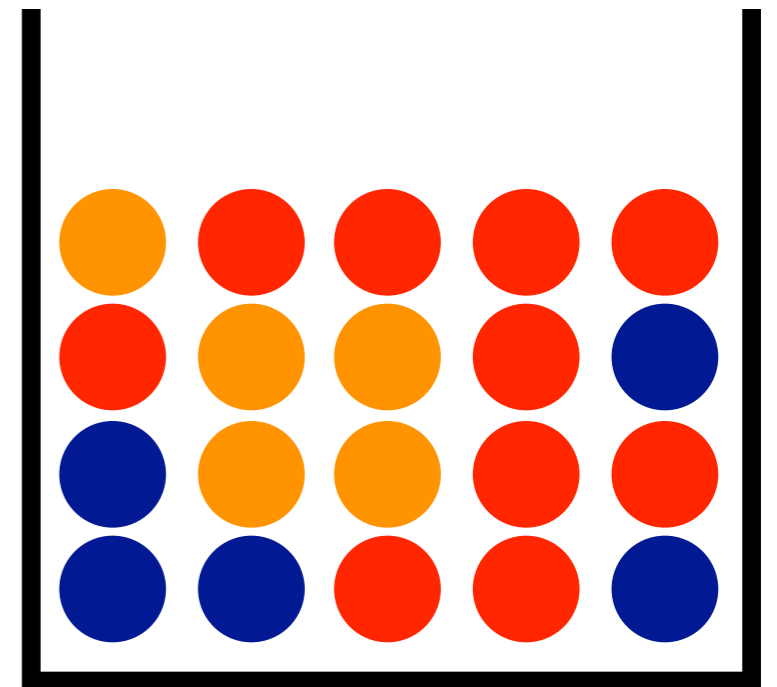
Probability Distribution Estimation

- Let's estimate these probabilities based on what we know about the contents of the bag
- $P(\text{RED}) = ?$
- $P(\text{BLUE}) = ?$
- $P(\text{ORANGE}) = ?$



Probability Distribution estimation

- Let's estimate these probabilities based on what we know about the contents of the bag
- $P(\text{RED}) = 10/20 = 0.5$
- $P(\text{BLUE}) = 5/20 = 0.25$
- $P(\text{ORANGE}) = 5/20 = 0.25$
- $P(\text{RED}) + P(\text{BLUE}) + P(\text{ORANGE}) = 1.0$



Probability Distribution

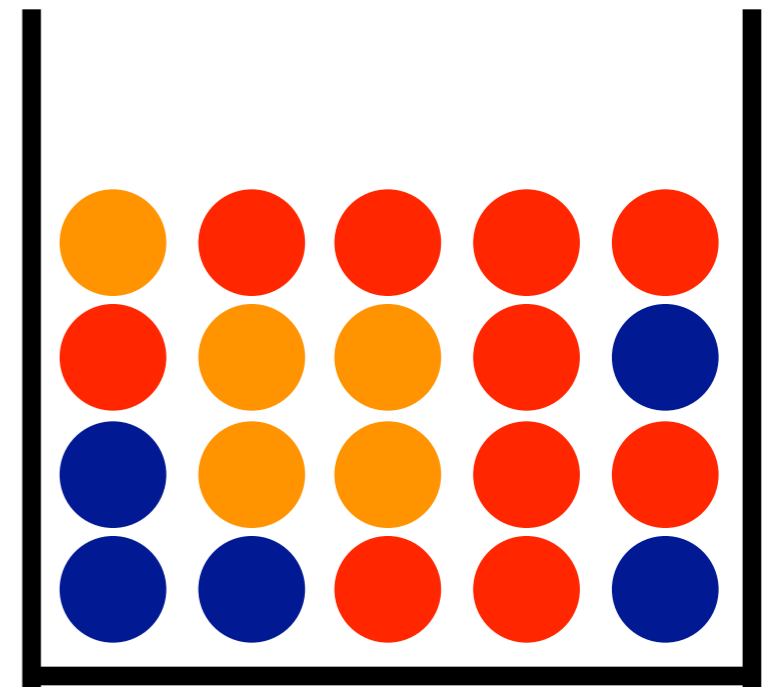
assigning probabilities to outcomes

- Given a probability distribution, we can assign probabilities to different outcomes
- I reach into the bag and pull out an **orange** ball. What is the probability of that happening?
- I reach into the bag and pull out two balls: one **red**, one **blue**. What is the probability of that happening?
- What about three **orange** balls?

$$P(\text{RED}) = 0.5$$

$$P(\text{BLUE}) = 0.25$$

$$P(\text{ORANGE}) = 0.25$$



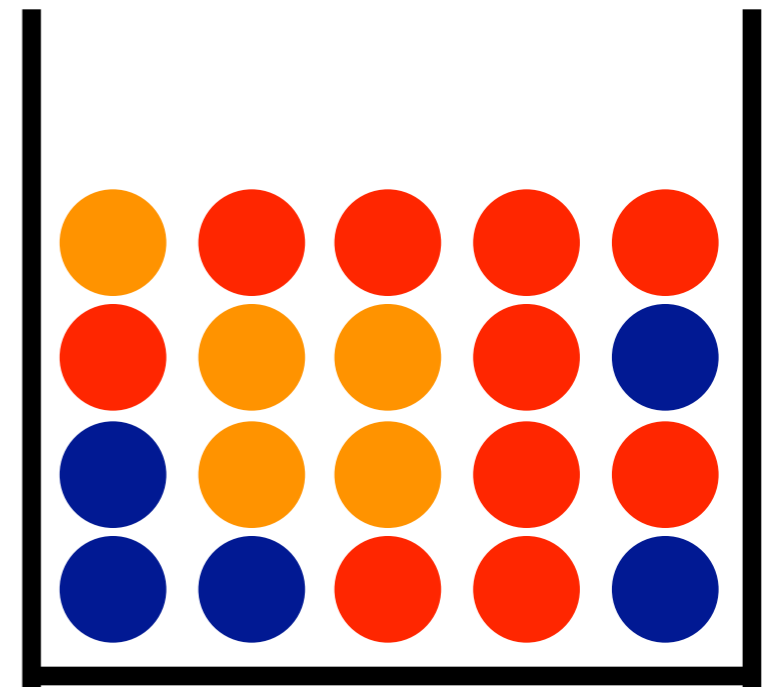
What can we do with a probability distribution?

- If we assume that each outcome is independent of previous outcomes, then the probability of a sequence of outcomes is calculated by multiplying the individual probabilities
- **Note:** we're assuming that when you take out a ball, you put it back in the bag before taking another

$$P(\text{RED}) = 0.5$$

$$P(\text{BLUE}) = 0.25$$

$$P(\text{ORANGE}) = 0.25$$



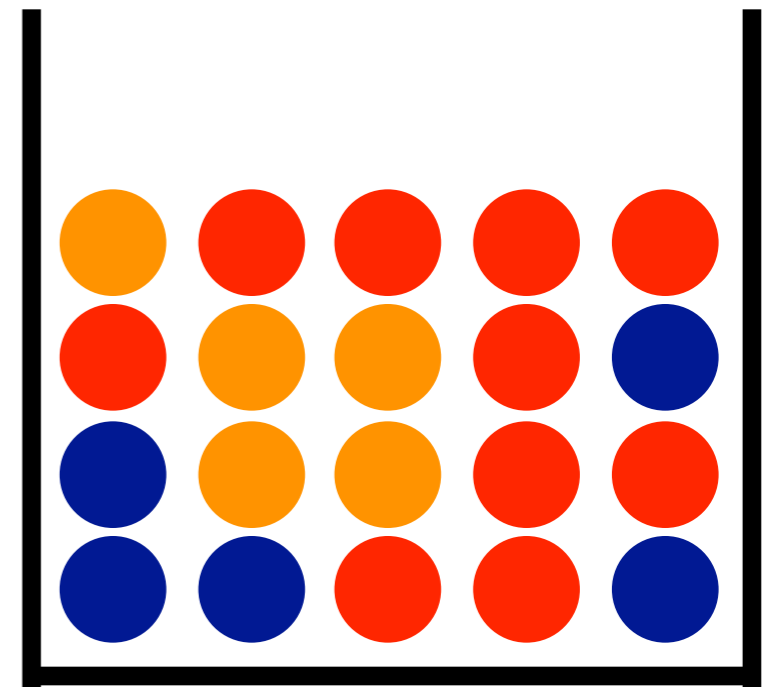
What can we do with a probability distribution?

- $P(\text{●}) = ??$
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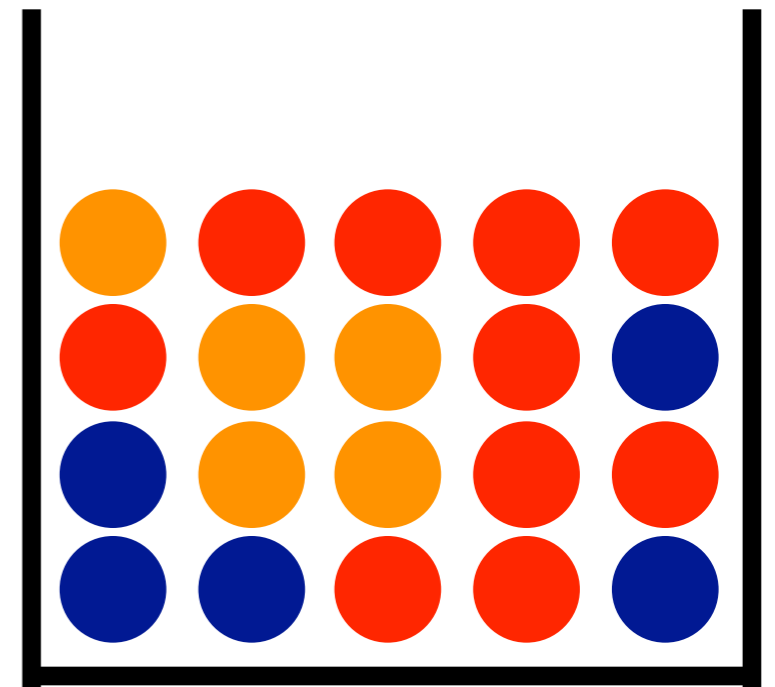
What can we do with a probability distribution?

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$$P(\text{RED}) = 0.5$$

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$$P(\text{ORANGE}) = 0.25$$



Conditional Probability

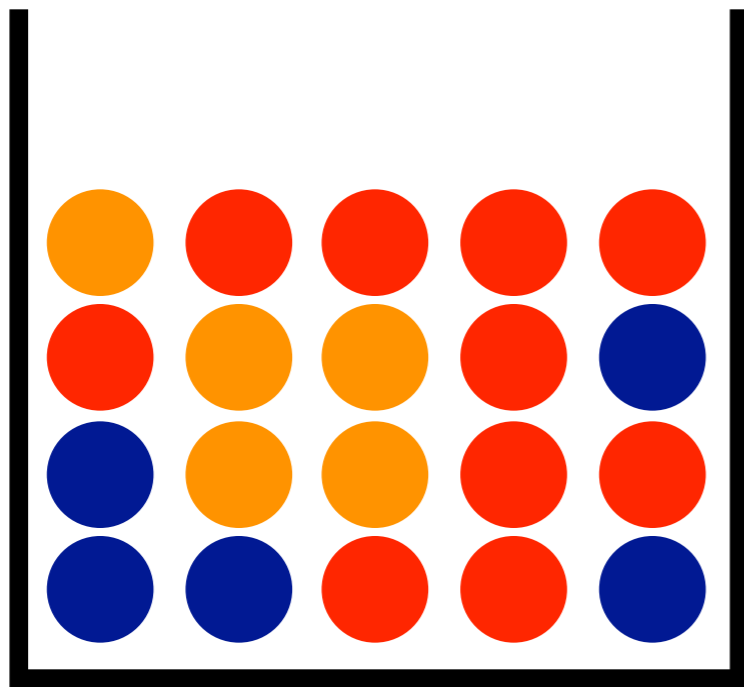
- $P(A,B)$: the probability that event **A** and event **B** both occur
- $P(A|B)$: the probability of event **A** occurring given prior knowledge that event **B** occurred

Conditional Probability

$$P(\text{RED}) = 0.50$$

$$P(\text{BLUE}) = 0.25$$

$$P(\text{ORANGE}) = 0.25$$



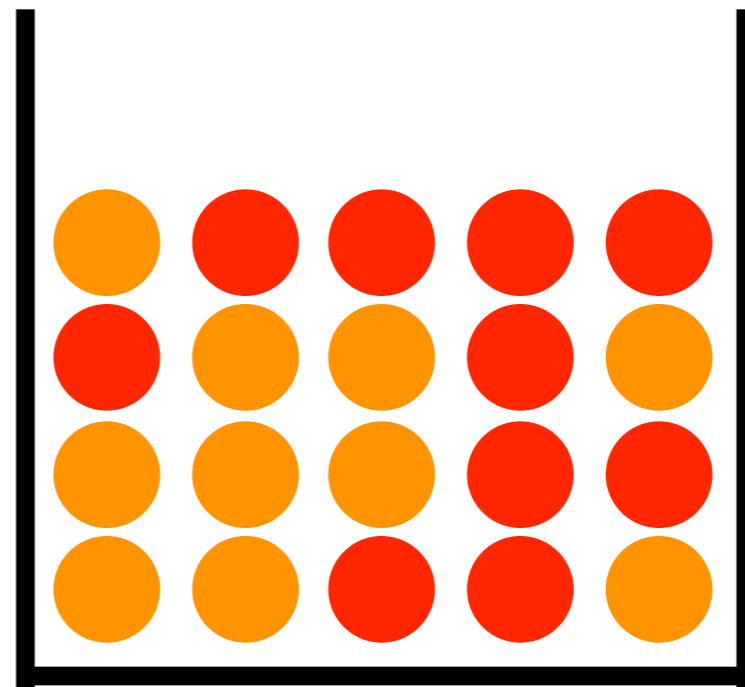
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- $P(\text{Blue} \mid A) = ??$
- $P(\text{Red} \mid A) = ??$
- $P(\text{Orange Orange Orange} \mid A) = ??$

$$P(\text{RED}) = 0.50$$

$$P(\text{BLUE}) = 0.00$$

$$P(\text{ORANGE}) = 0.50$$



B

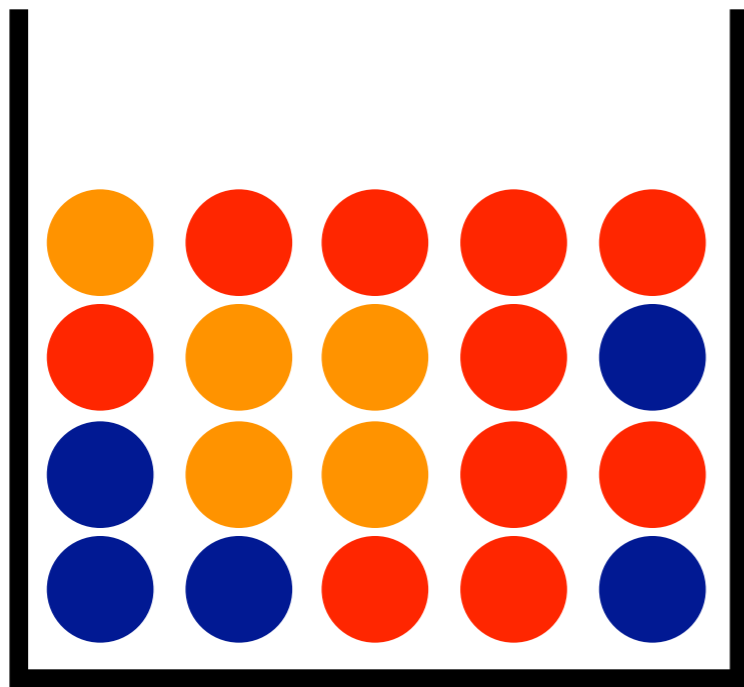
- $P(\text{Blue} \mid B) = ??$
- $P(\text{Red Orange} \mid B) = ??$
- $P(\text{Orange Red Blue} \mid B) = ??$

Conditional Probability

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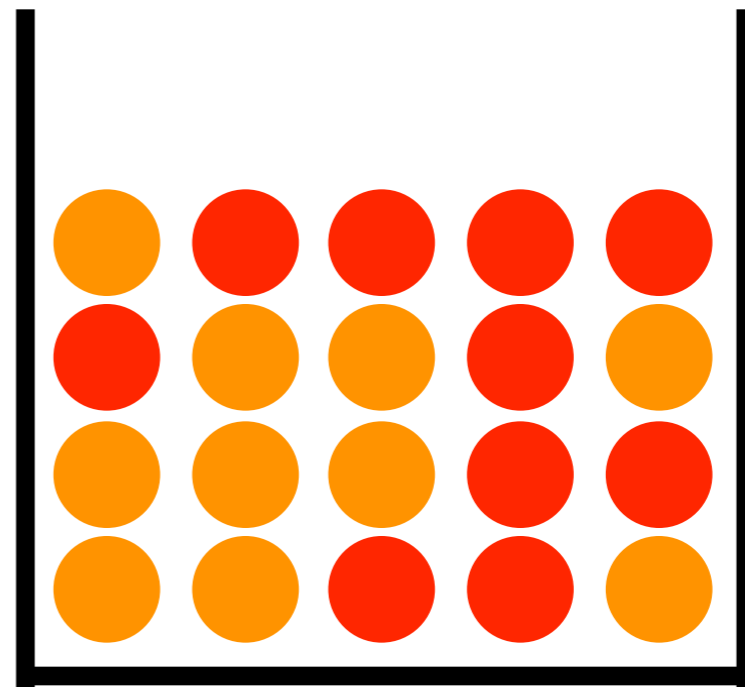
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- $P(\text{●} \mid A) = 0.25$
- $P(\text{●} \mid A) = 0.50$
- $P(\text{●●●} \mid A) = 0.016$

$$P(\text{RED}) = 0.50$$

$$P(\text{BLUE}) = 0.00$$

$$P(\text{ORANGE}) = 0.50$$



B

- $P(\text{●} \mid B) = 0.00$
- $P(\text{●●} \mid B) = 0.25$
- $P(\text{●●●} \mid B) = 0.00$

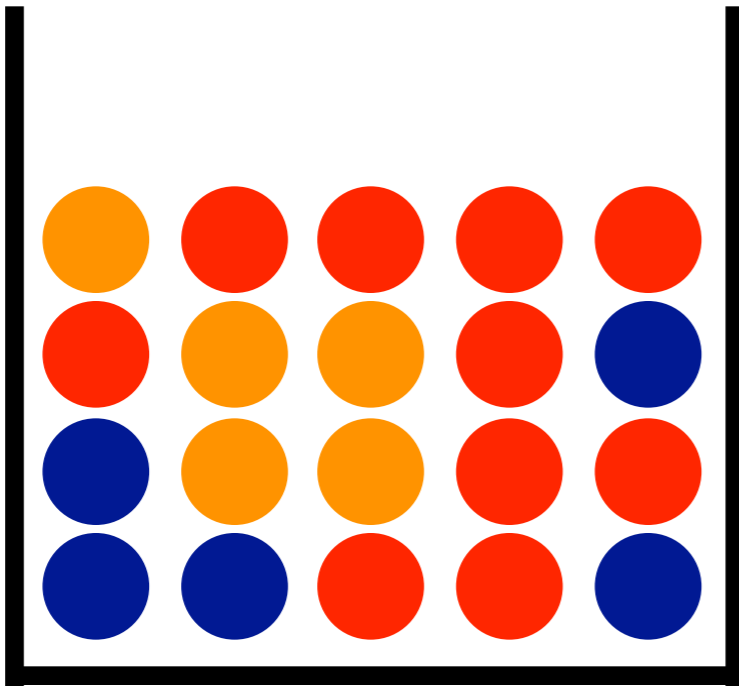
Chain Rule

- $P(A, B) = P(A|B) \times P(B)$
- Example:
 - ▶ probability that it will rain today (**B**) and tomorrow (**A**)
 - ▶ probability that it will rain today (**B**)
 - ▶ probability that it will rain tomorrow (**A**) given that it will rain today (**B**)

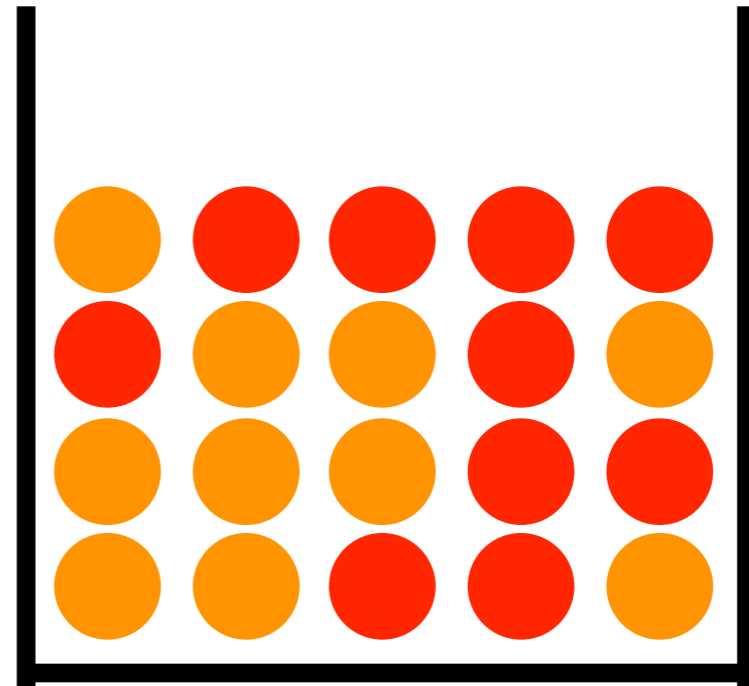
Independence

- $P(A, B) = P(A|B) \times P(B) = P(A) \times P(B)$
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 - ▶ probability that it will rain today (**B**) and tomorrow (**A**)
 - ▶ probability that it will rain today (**B**)
 - ▶ probability that it will rain tomorrow (**A**) given that it will rain today (**B**)
 - ▶ probability that it will rain tomorrow (**A**)

Independence



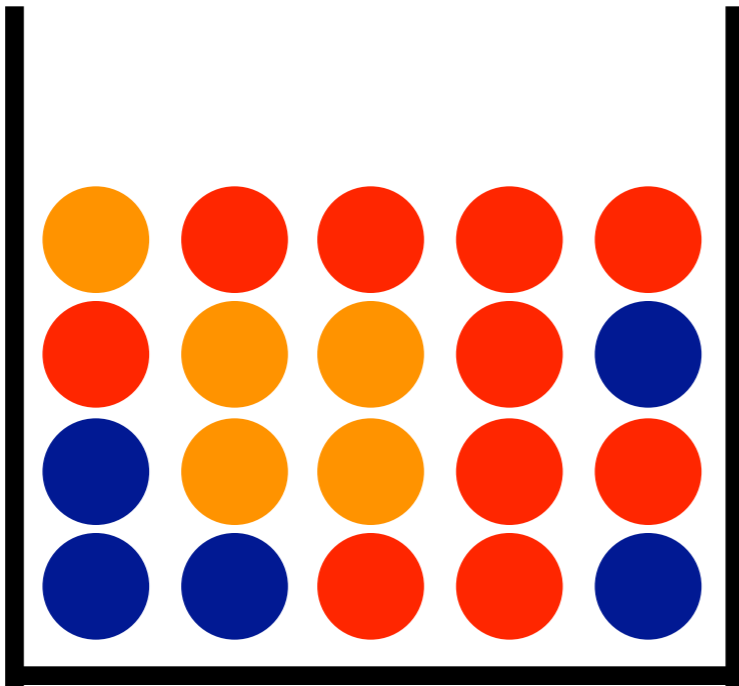
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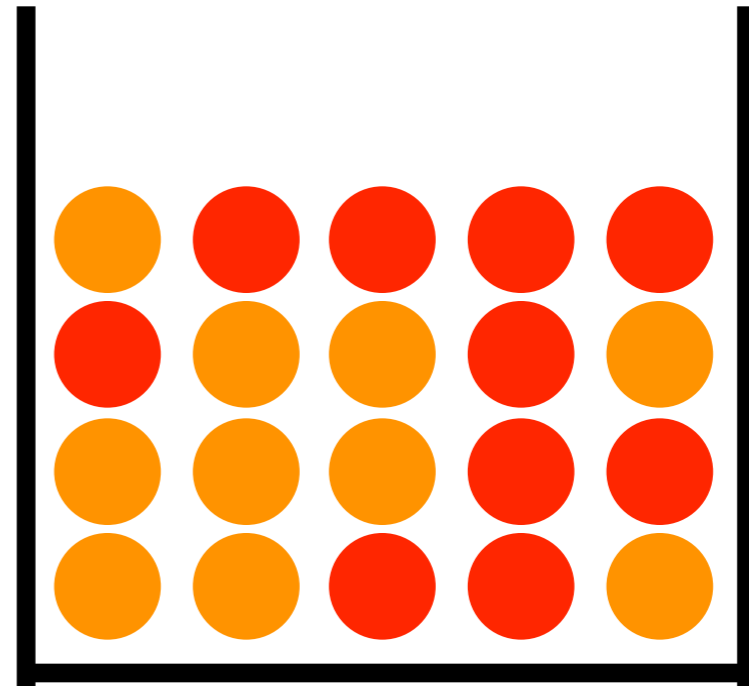
B

$$P(\text{Blue} \mid A) \stackrel{?}{=} P(\text{Blue})$$

Independence



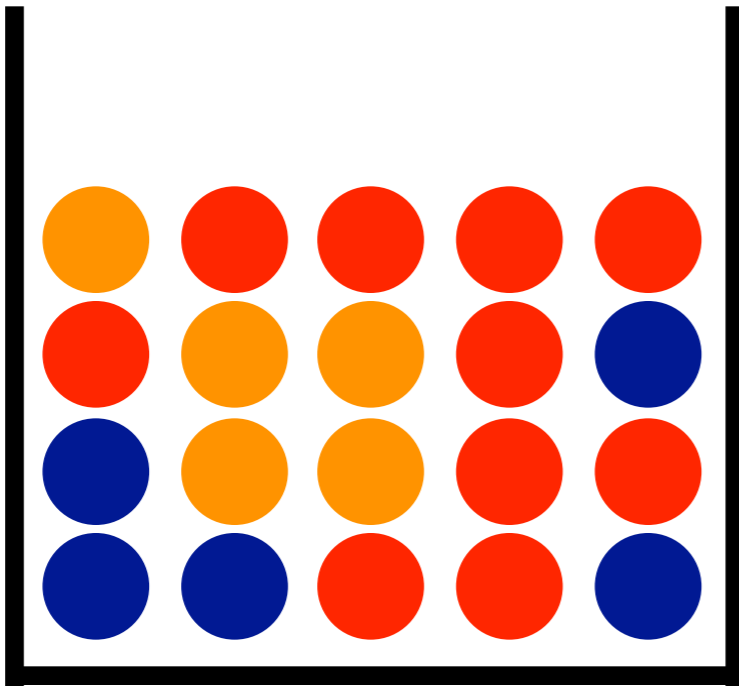
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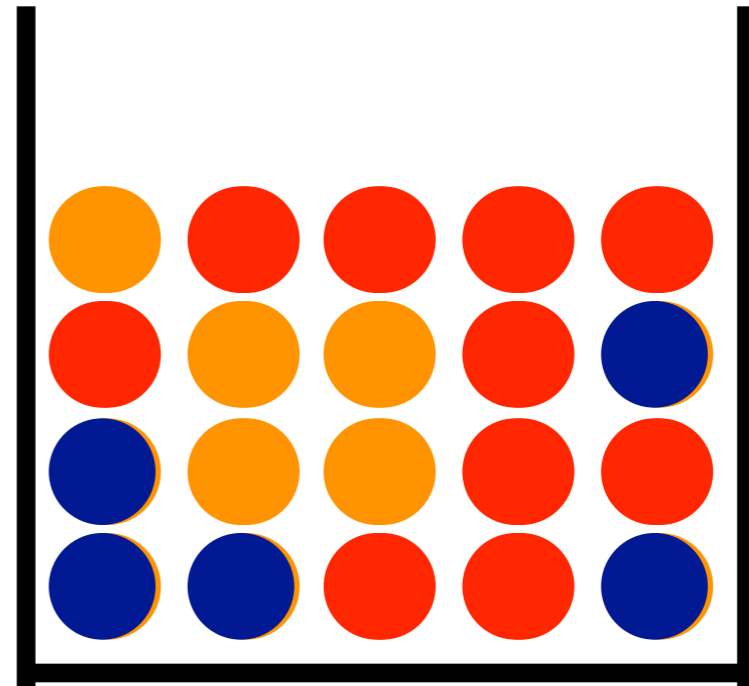
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$$P(\text{Blue} \mid A) > P(\text{Blue})$$

Independence



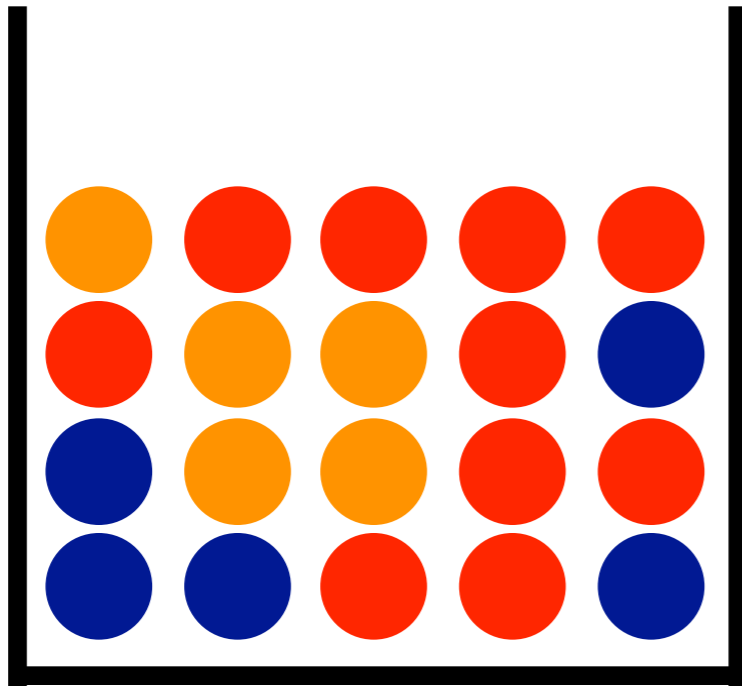
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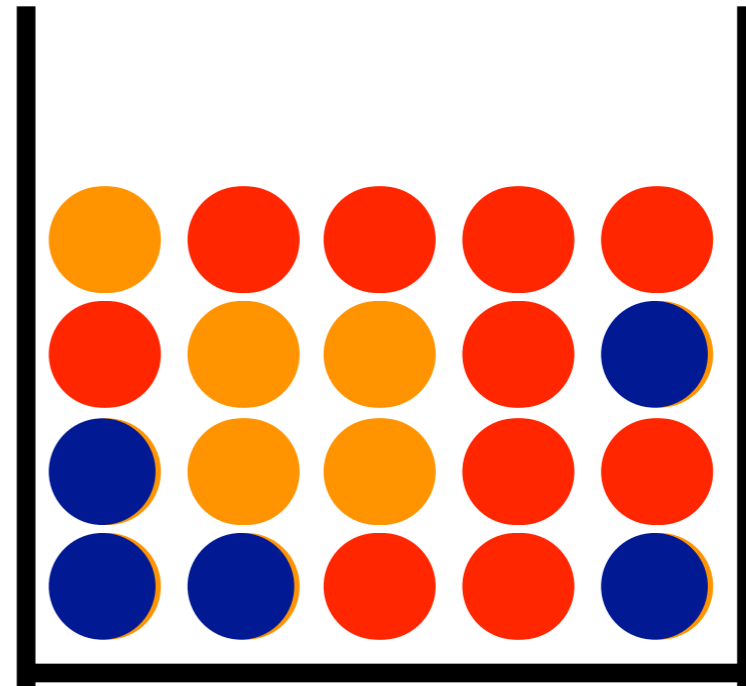
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$$P(\text{Blue} | A) \stackrel{?}{=} P(\text{Blue})$$

Independence



A



B

$$P(\text{Blue} \mid A) = P(\text{Blue})$$

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Bayes' Law

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

Bayes' Law

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

Bayes' Law

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

How do we get this?

Derivation of Bayes' Law

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

Always true!

$$P(A|B) \times P(B) = P(B|A) \times P(A)$$

Chain Rule!

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

Divide both sides by P(B)!

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example: positive/negative movie reviews

Bayes Rule

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

Confidence of
POS prediction
given instance D

$$P(POS|D) = \frac{P(D|POS) \times P(POS)}{P(D)}$$

Confidence of
NEG prediction
given instance D

$$P(NEG|D) = \frac{P(D|NEG) \times P(NEG)}{P(D)}$$

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- Given instance D , predict positive (**POS**) if:

$$P(POS|D) \geq P(NEG|D)$$

- Otherwise, predict negative (**NEG**)

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Are these necessary?



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- Given instance D , predict positive (**POS**) if:

$$P(D|POS) \times P(POS) \geq P(D|NEG) \times P(NEG)$$

- Otherwise, predict negative (**NEG**)

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- Our next goal is to estimate these parameters from the training data!

- $P(\text{NEG}) = ??$

- $P(\text{POS}) = ??$

- $P(D|\text{NEG}) = ??$

- $P(D|\text{POS}) = ??$

Easy!

Not so easy!

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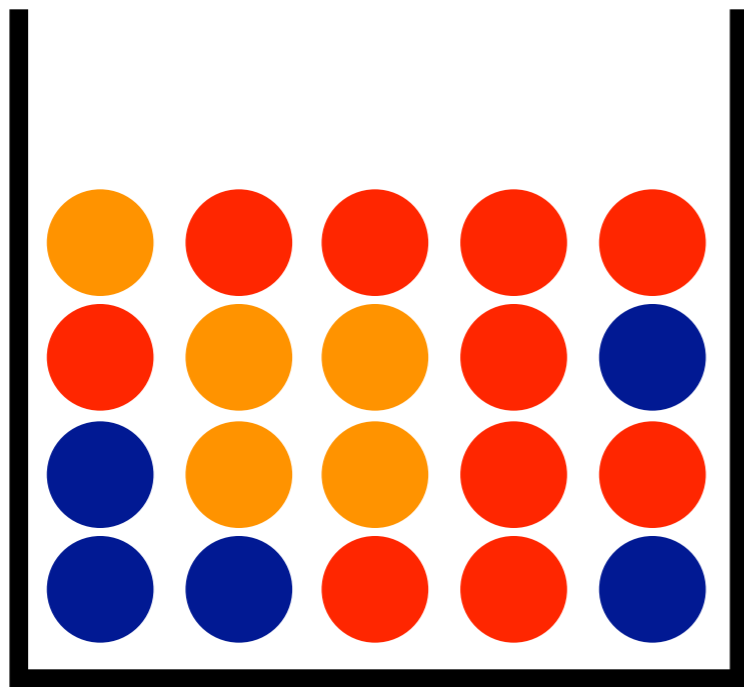
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- $P(\text{NEG})$ = % of training set documents that are **NEG**
- $P(\text{POS})$ = % of training set documents that are **POS**
- $P(D|\text{NEG})$ = ??
- $P(D|\text{POS})$ = ??

Remember Conditional Probability?

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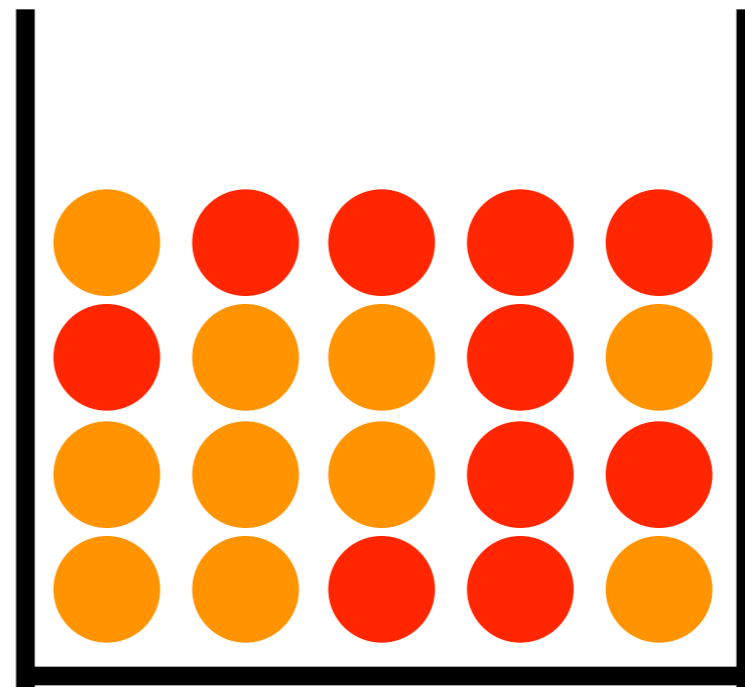
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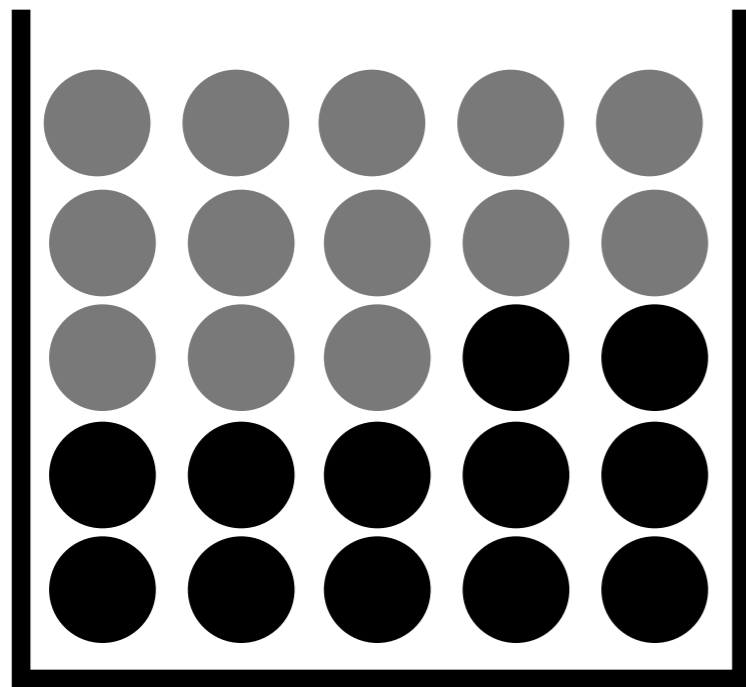


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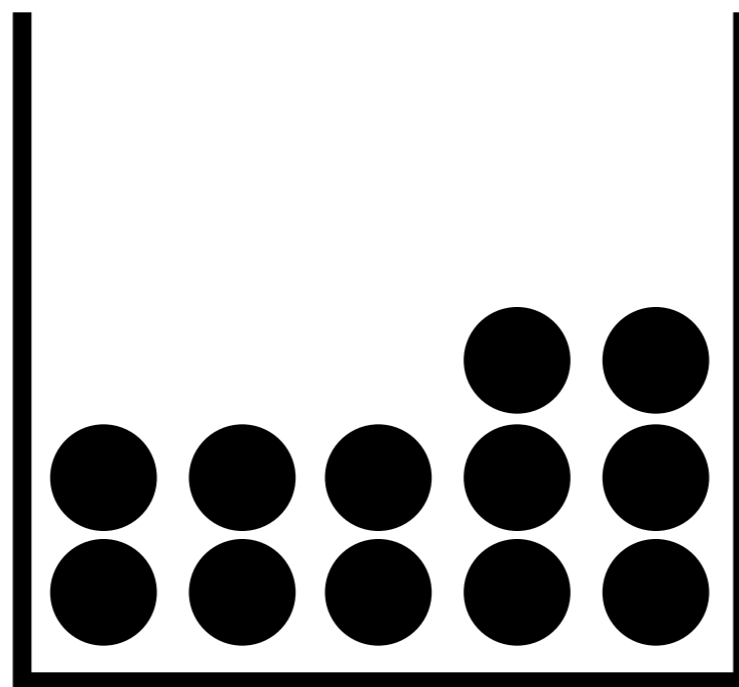
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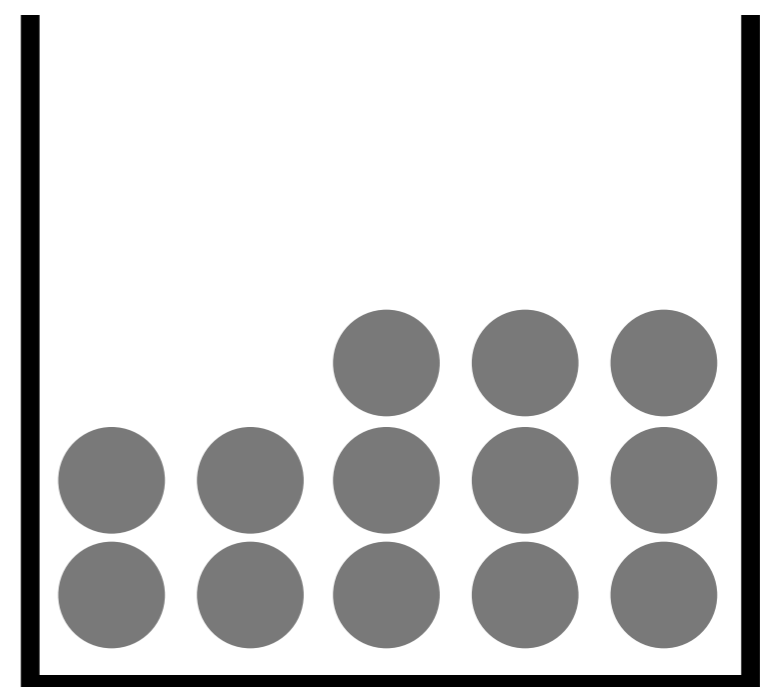
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Training
Instances



Positive Training
Instances



Negative Training
Instances

$$P(D|POS) = ??$$

$$P(D|NEG) = ??$$

Naive Bayes Classification

example: positive/negative movie reviews

| w_1 | w_2 | w_3 | w_4 | w_5 | w_6 | w_7 | w_8 | ... | w_n | sentiment |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | ... | 0 | positive |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | ... | 0 | positive |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | ... | 0 | positive |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | ... | 1 | positive |
| ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ... | ⋮ | ⋮ |
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example: positive/negative movie reviews

- Our next goal is to estimate these parameters from the training data!

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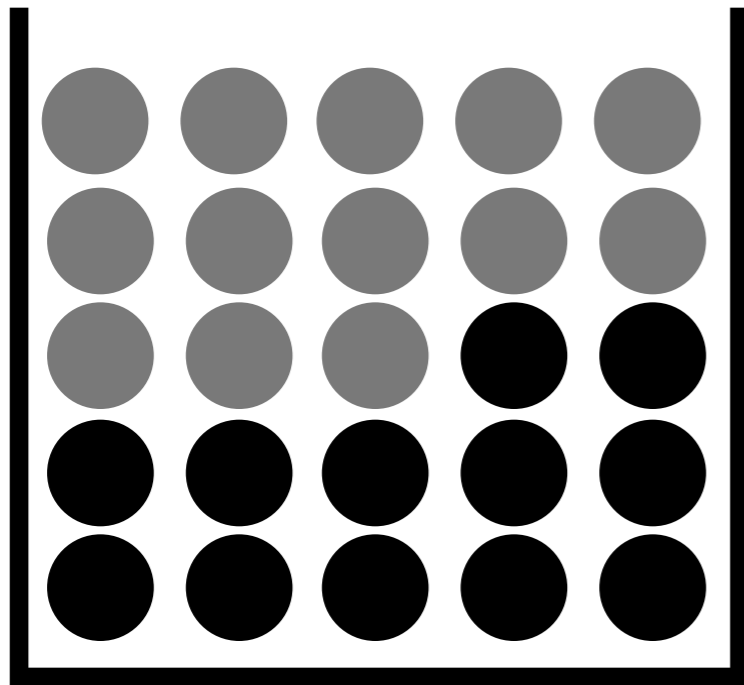
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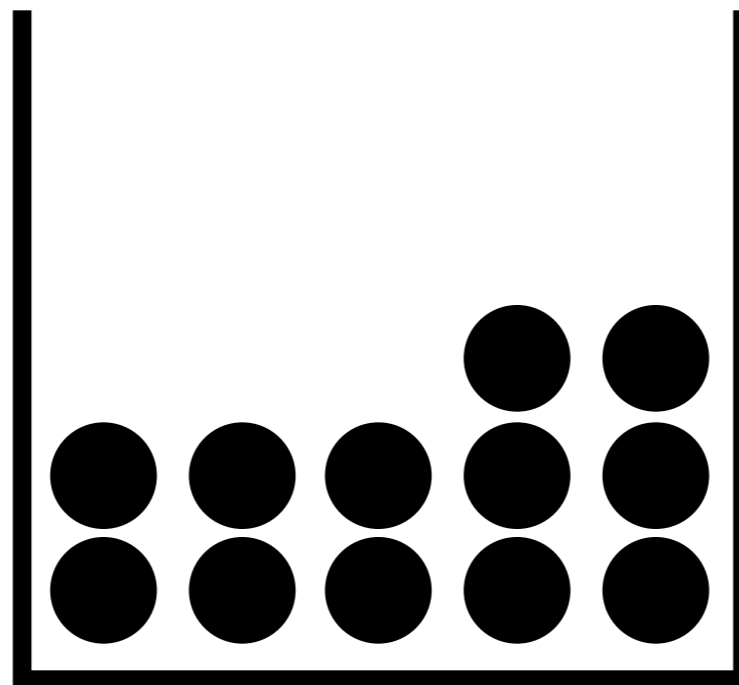
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- We have a problem! What is it?

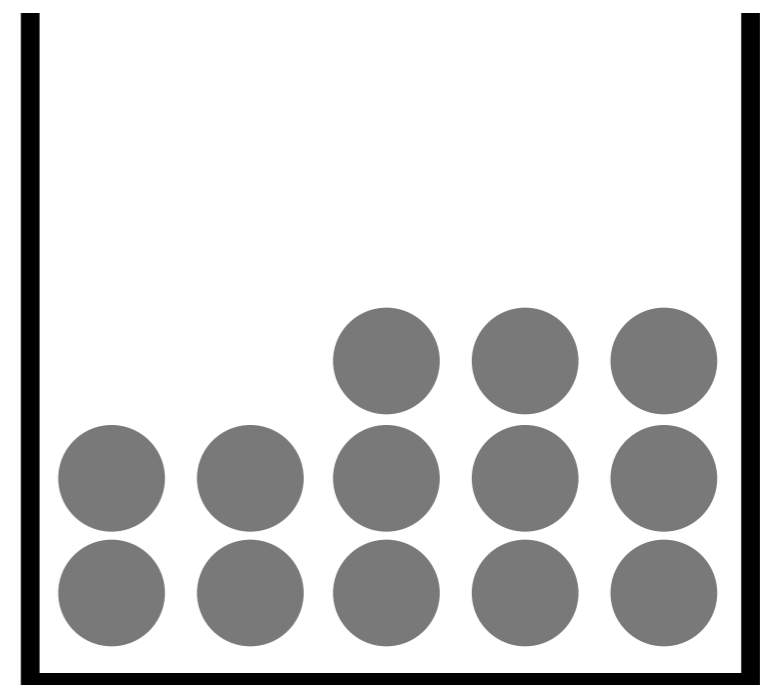


Training
Instances



Positive Training
Instances

$$P(D|POS) = ??$$



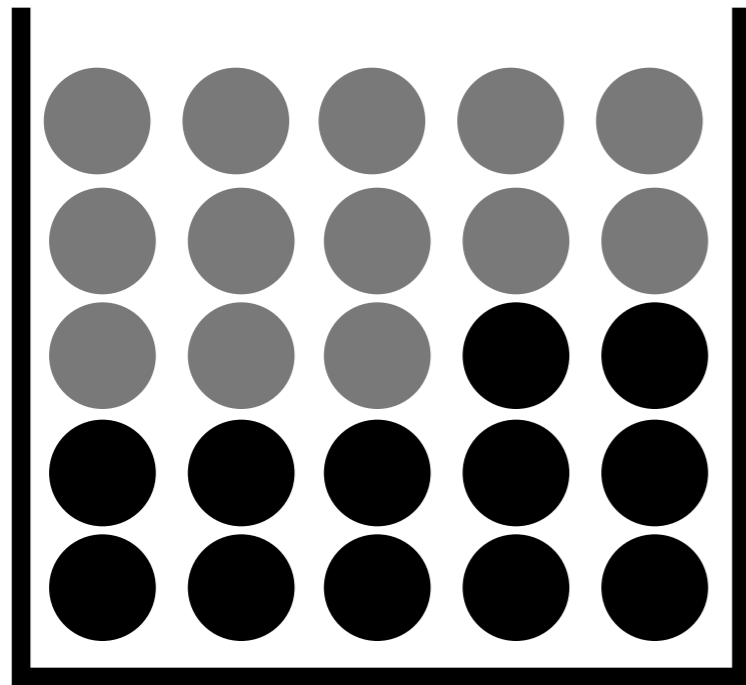
Negative Training
Instances

$$P(D|NEG) = ??$$

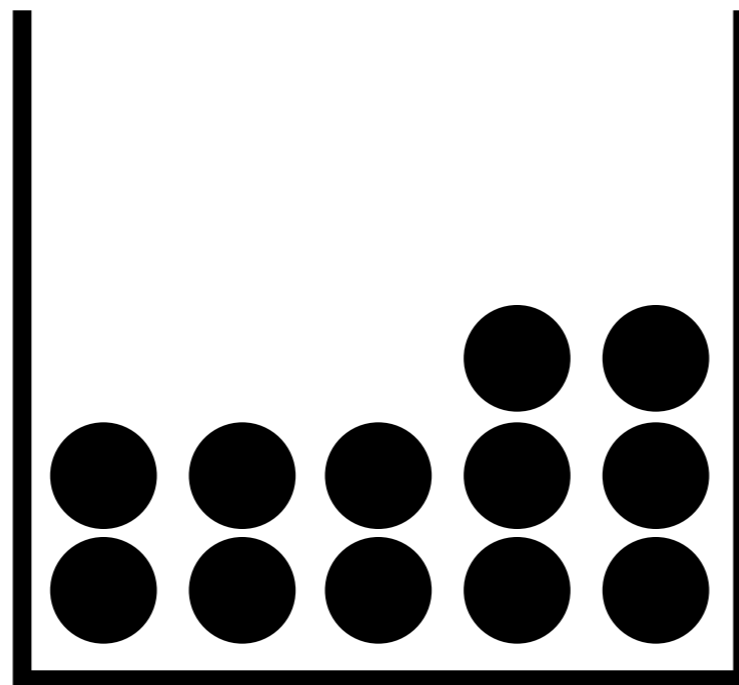
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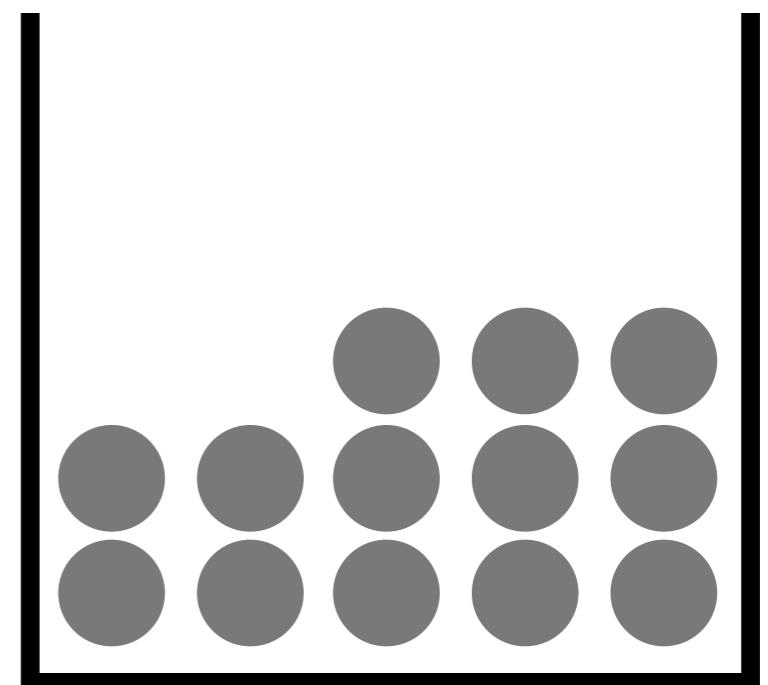
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Training Instances



Positive Training Instances



Negative Training Instances

$$P(D|POS) = ??$$

$$P(D|NEG) = ??$$

What is D?



What is the Document representation?

- Lets say that our feature space is limited by the following words: w_1 , w_2 , and w_3 .
- Total possible features are:
- w_1 , w_2 , w_3
- $w_1 w_2$, $w_1 w_3$, $w_2 w_3$
- $w_1 w_2 w_3$, $w_1 w_2 w_4$
- Total = 8
- If say our feature space was: w_1 , w_2 , w_3 , and w_4 . Then total feature possible combinations are: ?

Feature combinations

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- Total possible features are:
- w_1 , w_2 , w_3
- $w_1 w_2$, $w_1 w_3$, $w_2 w_3$
- $w_1 w_2 w_3$
- Total = 8 \Rightarrow 7 (above combinations) + 1 (no combination)
- If say our feature space was: w_1 , w_2 , w_3 , and w_4 . Then total feature possible combinations are: 2^4

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- We have a problem! What is it?
- Assuming n binary features, the number of possible combinations is 2^n
- $2^{1000} = 1.071509e+301$
- And in order to estimate the probability of each combination, we would require multiple occurrences of each combination in the training data!
- We could never have enough training data to reliably estimate $P(D|NEG)$ or $P(D|POS)$!

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example: positive/negative movie reviews

- **Assumption:** given a particular class value (i.e, **POS** or **NEG**), the value of a particular feature is independent of the value of other features
- In other words, the value of a particular feature is only dependent on the class value

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example: positive/negative movie reviews

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| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | ... | 1 | positive |

Example of document representation

- Assume the feature space to be the following words: hello, world, bad, movie.
- Review 1: “this is a bad movie!”
- Review 2: “hello world is a movie?”
- What is the bag-of-words document representation for review 1 and review 2?
- Review 1?
- Review 2?

Example of document representation

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- Review 1: 0011
- Review 2: 1101

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example: positive/negative movie reviews

- Assumption: given a particular class value (i.e, **POS** or **NEG**), the value of a particular feature is independent of the value of other features

- Example: we have seven features and **D = 1011011**

- $P(1011011 | \text{POS}) =$

$$P(w_1=1 | \text{POS}) \times P(w_2=0 | \text{POS}) \times P(w_3=1 | \text{POS}) \times \\ P(w_4=1 | \text{POS}) \times P(w_5=0 | \text{POS}) \times P(w_6=1 | \text{POS}) \times P(w_7=1 | \text{POS})$$

- $P(1011011 | \text{NEG}) =$


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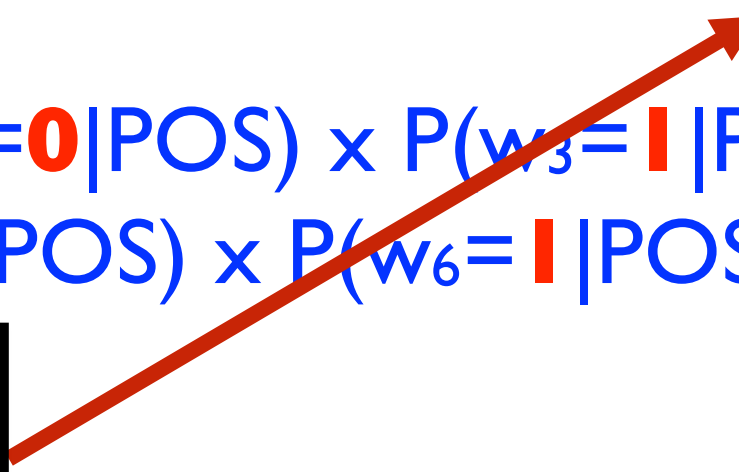
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- Example: we have seven features and **D = 1 0 1 1 0 1 1**

- $P(1 0 1 1 0 1 1 | POS) =$  You should compute both!
 $P(w_1=1 | POS) \times P(w_2=0 | POS) \times P(w_3=1 | POS) \times$
 $P(w_4=1 | POS) \times P(w_5=0 | POS) \times P(w_6=1 | POS) \times P(w_7=1 | POS)$

- $P(1 0 1 1 0 1 1 | NEG) =$ 
 $P(w_1=1 | NEG) \times P(w_2=0 | NEG) \times P(w_3=1 | NEG) \times$
 $P(w_4=1 | NEG) \times P(w_5=0 | NEG) \times P(w_6=1 | NEG) \times$
 $P(w_7=1 | NEG)$

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| w_1 | w_2 | w_3 | w_4 | w_5 | w_6 | w_7 | w_8 | ... | w_n | sentiment |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | ... | 0 | positive |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | ... | 0 | negative |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | ... | 0 | negative |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | ... | 1 | positive |
| ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ⋮ | ... | ⋮ | ⋮ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | ... | 1 | negative |

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| $w_i = \mathbf{1}$ | a | b |
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$P(w_i = \mathbf{1} | \text{POS}) = a / (a + c)$

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|--------------------|-----|-----|--|
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| | | | $P(w_2 = \mathbf{1} \text{NEG}) = b / (b + d)$ |
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- The value of a, b, c, and d would be different for different features $w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4, w_5, \dots, w_n$

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- Given instance D , predict positive (**POS**) if:

$$P(D|POS) \times P(POS) \geq P(D|NEG) \times P(NEG)$$

- Otherwise, predict negative (**NEG**)

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- Given instance \mathbf{D} , predict positive (**POS**) if:

$$P(POS) \times \prod_{i=1}^n P(w_i = D_i | POS) \geq P(NEG) \times \prod_{i=1}^n P(w_i = D_i | NEG)$$

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- Given instance $D = \mathbf{1011011}$, predict positive (**POS**) if:

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$$\geq$$

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- We still have a problem! What is it?

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What if this never happens in the training data?

Smoothing Probability Estimates

- When estimating probabilities, we tend to ...
 - ▶ Over-estimate the probability of observed outcomes
 - ▶ Under-estimate the probability of unobserved outcomes
- The goal of smoothing is to ...
 - ▶ Decrease the probability of observed outcomes
 - ▶ Increase the probability of unobserved outcomes
- It's usually a good idea
- You probably already know this concept!

Smoothing Probability Estimates

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- **YOUR FRIEND:** Because I've been hiking here five times before and have never seen one.
- **YOU:** ????



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- **MOUNTAIN LION:** You should have learned about smoothing by taking INLS 613. Yum!



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|--------------------|---------|---------|---|
| $w_2 = \mathbf{I}$ | $a + 1$ | $b + 1$ | $P(w_2 = \mathbf{I} \text{POS}) = ??$ |
| $w_2 = \mathbf{O}$ | $c + 1$ | $d + 1$ | $P(w_2 = \mathbf{O} \text{POS}) = ??$ |
| | | | $P(w_2 = \mathbf{I} \text{NEG}) = ??$ |
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$$P(w_2 = \mathbf{I} | \text{POS}) = (a + 1) / (a + c + 2)$$

$$P(w_2 = \mathbf{O} | \text{POS}) = (c + 1) / (a + c + 2)$$

$$P(w_2 = \mathbf{I} | \text{NEG}) = (b + 1) / (b + d + 2)$$

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- Naive Bayes Classifiers are simple, effective, robust, and very popular
- Assumes that feature values are conditionally independent given the target class value
- This assumption does not hold in natural language
- Even so, NB classifiers are very powerful
- Smoothing is necessary in order to avoid zero probabilities