

Bayesian decision making

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Today two examples:

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| $P(x \text{female})$ | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.25 | 0.0 | 1 |

Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female.

A: Male

B: Female (if we assume that there are same the number of men and women.)

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

| x cm | XS (0-100) | S (100-125) | M (125-150) | L (150-175) | XL (175-200) | XXL (200- ∞) | Σ |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| $P(x \text{male})$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 1 |
| $P(x \text{female})$ | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.25 | 0.0 | 1 |

Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female. **Female**

Task 2: What would be the minimum ratio of men to change the previous answer into the opposite one.

Right step?

A: $P(X = \text{male}, Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}, Y = L)$

B: $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$

C: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$

D: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L) > P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

| x cm | XS (0-100) | S (100-125) | M (125-150) | L (150-175) | XL (175-200) | XXL (200- ∞) | Σ |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| $P(x \text{male})$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 1 |
| $P(x \text{female})$ | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.25 | 0.0 | 1 |

Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female. **Female**

Task 2: What would be the minimum ratio of men to change the previous answer into the opposite one.

Right step?

- A: $P(X = \text{male}, Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}, Y = L)$
- B: $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$
- C: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$
- D: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L) > P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

| x cm | XS (0-100) | S (100-125) | M (125-150) | L (150-175) | XL (175-200) | XXL (200- ∞) | Σ |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| $P(x \text{male})$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 1 |
| $P(x \text{female})$ | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.25 | 0.0 | 1 |

Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female. **Female**

Task 2: What would be the minimum ratio of men to change the previous answer into the opposite one.

Right step?

A: $P(X = \text{male}, Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}, Y = L)$

B: $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$

C: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$

D: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L) > P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

| x cm | XS (0-100) | S (100-125) | M (125-150) | L (150-175) | XL (175-200) | XXL (200- ∞) | Σ |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| $P(x \text{male})$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 1 |
| $P(x \text{female})$ | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.25 | 0.0 | 1 |

Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female. **Female**

Task 2: What would be the minimum ratio of men to change the previous answer into the opposite one. $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$

From the equation get value of?

- A: $P(X = \text{male})$
- B: $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L)$
- C: $P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$
- D: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L)$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

| x cm | XS (0-100) | S (100-125) | M (125-150) | L (150-175) | XL (175-200) | XXL (200- ∞) | Σ |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| $P(x \text{male})$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 1 |
| $P(x \text{female})$ | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.25 | 0.0 | 1 |

Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female. **Female**

Task 2: What would be the minimum ratio of men to change the previous answer into the opposite one. $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$

From the equation get value of?

- A: $P(X = \text{male})$
- B: $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L)$
- C: $P(X = \text{female}|Y < L)$
- D: $P(X = \text{male}|Y > L)$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

| x cm | XS (0-100) | S (100-125) | M (125-150) | L (150-175) | XL (175-200) | XXL (200- ∞) | Σ |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| $P(x \text{male})$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 1 |
| $P(x \text{female})$ | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.25 | 0.0 | 1 |

Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female. **Female**

Task 2: What would be the minimum ratio of men to change the previous answer into the opposite one. $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$

From the equation get value of? $P(X = \text{male})$

Calculate $P(X = \text{male})$:

A: $\frac{5}{11}$

B: $\frac{6}{11}$

C: $\frac{6}{10}$

D: $\frac{7}{12}$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

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| $P(x \text{male})$ | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.05 | 1 |
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Task 1: Estimate whether a 168cm tall (i.e. L) person is male or female. **Female**

Task 2: What would be the minimum ratio of men to change the previous answer into the opposite one. $P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$

From the equation get value of? $P(X = \text{male})$

Calculate $P(X = \text{male})$:

$$\text{B: } \frac{6}{11}$$

$$P(X = \text{male}|Y = L) = P(X = \text{female}|Y = L)$$

$$\frac{P(L|\text{male}) \cdot P(\text{male})}{P(L)} = \frac{P(L|\text{female}) \cdot P(\text{female})}{P(L)}, P(\text{female}) = 1 - P(\text{male})$$

$$P(L|\text{male}) \cdot P(\text{male}) = P(L|\text{female}) \cdot (1 - P(\text{male}))$$

$$0.25 \cdot P(\text{male}) = 0.3 - 0.3 \cdot P(\text{male}) \Rightarrow P(\text{male}) = \frac{6}{11}$$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

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Task 3: Assuming there are 70% men and 30% women, consider the loss function l (s - state, d - decision): $l(s = \text{female}, d = \text{male}) = 2$, $l(s = \text{male}, d = \text{female}) = 1$,
 $l(s = \text{male}, d = \text{male}) = l(s = \text{female}, d = \text{female}) = 0$.

How do you classify a person under consideration of L?

How?

A: $\delta^*(X = L) = \operatorname{argmin}_s \sum_s l(s, d) \cdot P(s|X = L)$

B: $\delta^*(X = L) = \operatorname{argmin}_d l(s, d) \cdot P(s|X = L)$

C: $\delta^*(X = L) = \operatorname{argmin}_s \sum_d l(s, d) \cdot P(s|X = L)$

D: $\delta^*(X = L) = \operatorname{argmin}_d \sum_s l(s, d) \cdot P(s|X = L)$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

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Task 3: Assuming there are 70% men and 30% women, consider the loss function L (s = state, d = decision): $l(s = \text{female}, d = \text{male}) = 2$, $l(s = \text{male}, d = \text{female}) = 1$,
 $l(s = \text{male}, d = \text{male}) = l(s = \text{female}, d = \text{female}) = 0$.

How do you classify a person under consideration of L ?

How?

$$D: \delta^*(X = L) = \operatorname{argmin}_d \sum_s l(s, d) \cdot P(s|X = L)$$

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

| x cm | XS (0-100) | S (100-125) | M (125-150) | L (150-175) | XL (175-200) | XXL (200-∞) | Σ |
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 $l(s = \text{male}, d = \text{male}) = l(s = \text{female}, d = \text{female}) = 0$.

How do you classify a person under consideration of L ?

How? $\delta^*(X = L) = \operatorname{argmin}_d \sum_s l(s, d) \cdot P(s|X = L)$

Result?

A: female

B: male

Prior probabilities in practice

The probability distribution of height of men and women is known (see table).

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Task 3: Assuming there are 70% men and 30% women, consider the loss function L (s = state, d = decision): $l(s = \text{female}, d = \text{male}) = 2$, $l(s = \text{male}, d = \text{female}) = 1$,
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How do you classify a person under consideration of L ?

How? $\delta^*(X = L) = \operatorname{argmin}_d \sum_s l(s, d) \cdot P(s|X = L)$

Result?

A: female

B: male

Prior probabilities in practice

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How do you classify a person under consideration of L ?

$$P(\text{male}|L) = \frac{P(L|\text{male}) \cdot P(\text{male})}{P(L)} = \frac{P(L|\text{male}) \cdot P(\text{male})}{P(L|\text{male}) \cdot P(\text{male}) + P(L|\text{female}) \cdot P(\text{female})} = \frac{0.25 \cdot 0.7}{0.25 \cdot 0.7 + 0.3 \cdot 0.3} = 0.66$$

$$P(\text{female}|L) = 1 - 0.66 = 0.34$$

$$\delta^*(X) = \operatorname{argmin}_d (l(\text{female}, d) \cdot P(\text{female}|L) + l(\text{male}, d) \cdot P(\text{male}|L))$$

$$\delta^*(X) = \operatorname{argmin}_d \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d = \text{female} : 0 \cdot 0.34 + 1 \cdot 0.66 = 0.66 \\ d = \text{male} : 2 \cdot 0.34 + 0 \cdot 0.66 = 0.68 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow d = \text{female}$$