

# Classification

MLAI: Week 9

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# Review

- ▶ Last time: Looked at generalisation and validation.
- ▶ Introduced cross validation, hold out validation, reviewed training and test sets.
- ▶ This time: Classification.

# Outline

# Classification

- ▶ We are given data set containing “inputs”,  $\mathbf{X}$ , and “targets”,  $\mathbf{y}$ .
- ▶ Each data point consists of an input vector  $\mathbf{x}_i$ , and a class label,  $y_i$ .
- ▶ For binary classification assume  $y_i$  should be either 1 (yes) or  $-1$  (no).
- ▶ Input vector can be thought of as features.

# Classification Examples

- ▶ Classifying hand written digits from binary images (automatic zip code reading).
- ▶ Detecting faces in images (e.g. digital cameras).
- ▶ Who a detected face belongs to (e.g. Picasa).
- ▶ Classifying type of cancer given gene expression data.
- ▶ Categorization of document types (different types of news article on the internet).

# The Perceptron

- ▶ Developed in 1957 by Rosenblatt.
- ▶ Take a data point at,  $\mathbf{x}_i$ .
- ▶ Predict it belongs to a class,  $y_i = 1$  if  $\sum_j w_j \mathbf{x}_{i,j} + b > 0$  i.e.  $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b > 0$ . Otherwise assume  $y_i = -1$ .

# Perceptron-like Algorithm

1. Select a random data point  $i$ .
2. Ensure  $i$  is correctly classified by setting  $\mathbf{w} = y_i \mathbf{x}_i$ .
  - ▶ i.e.  $\text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_{i,:}) = \text{sign}(y_i \mathbf{x}_{i,:}^\top \mathbf{x}_{i,:}) = \text{sign}(y_i) = y_i$

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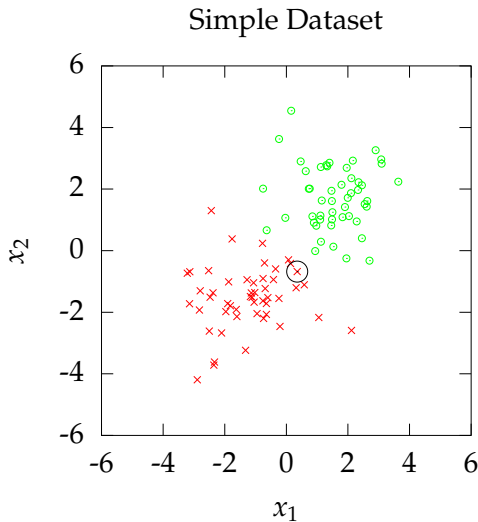
1. Select a misclassified point,  $i$ .
2. Set  $\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} + \eta y_i \mathbf{x}_i$ .
  - ▶ If  $\eta$  is large enough this will guarantee this point becomes correctly classified.
3. Repeat until there are no misclassified points.





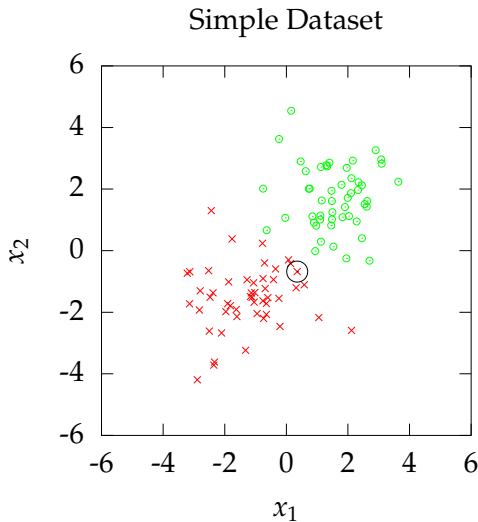
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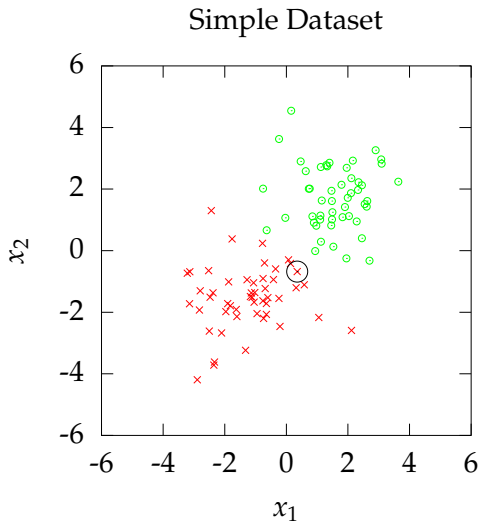
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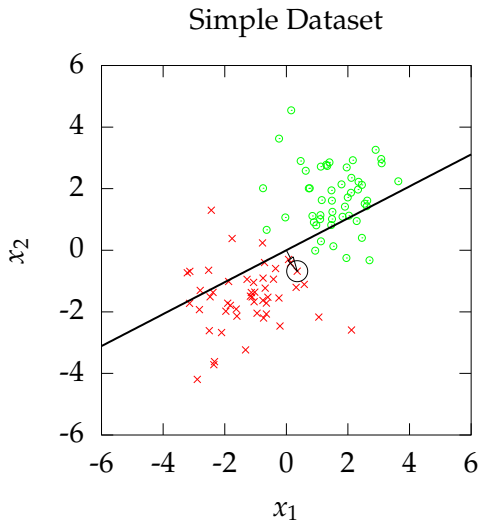
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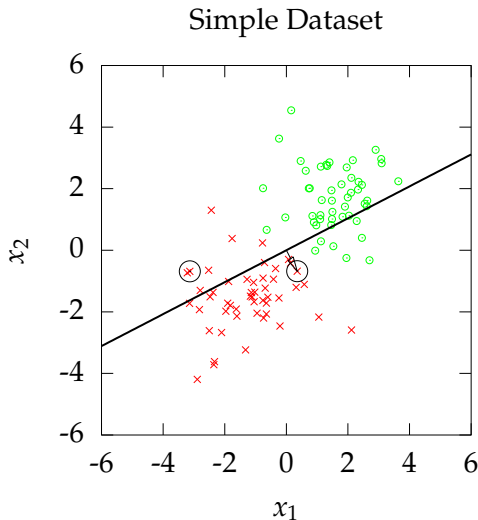
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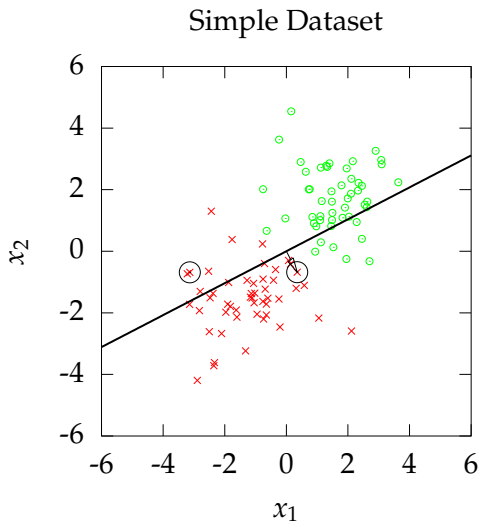
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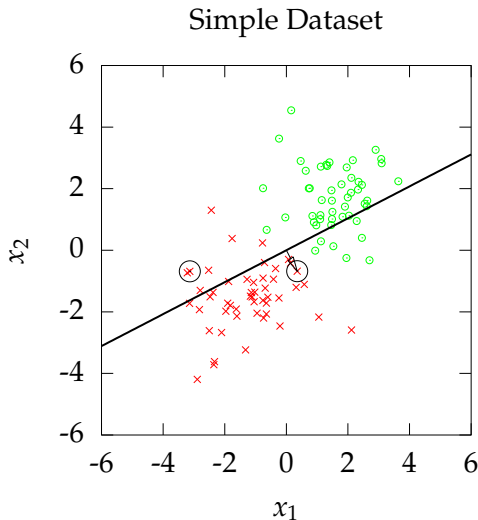
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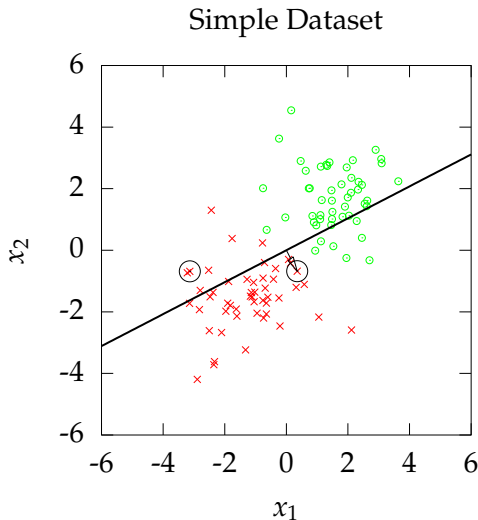
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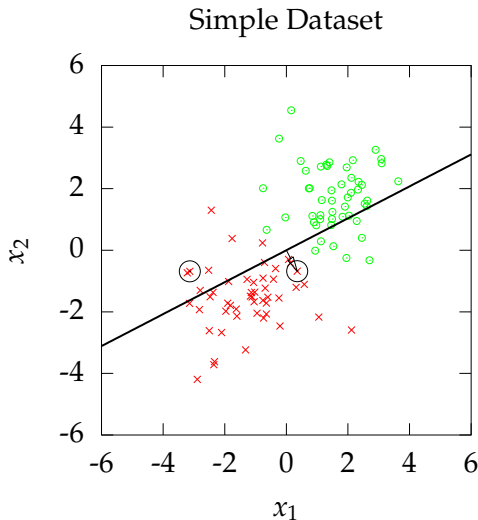
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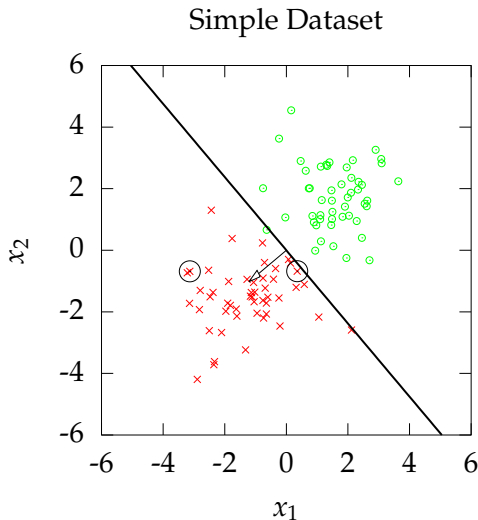
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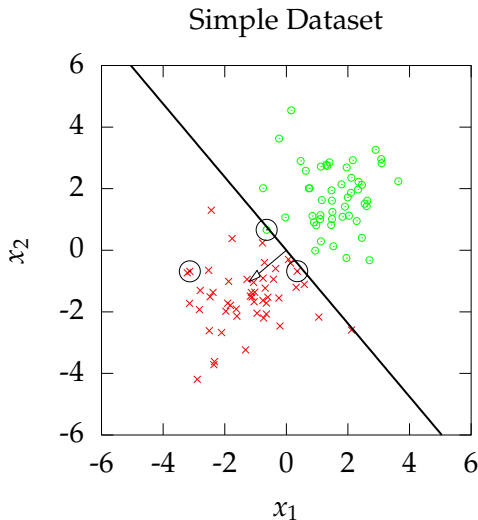
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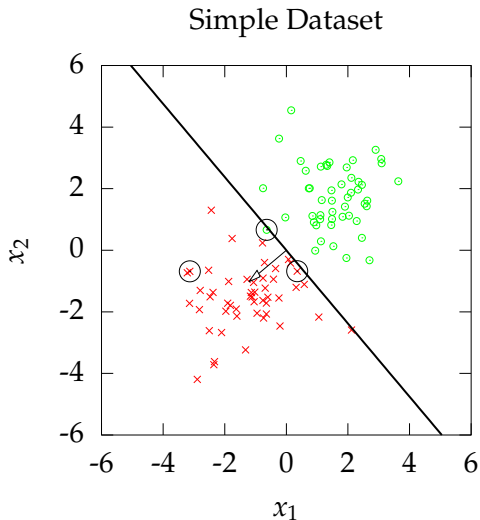
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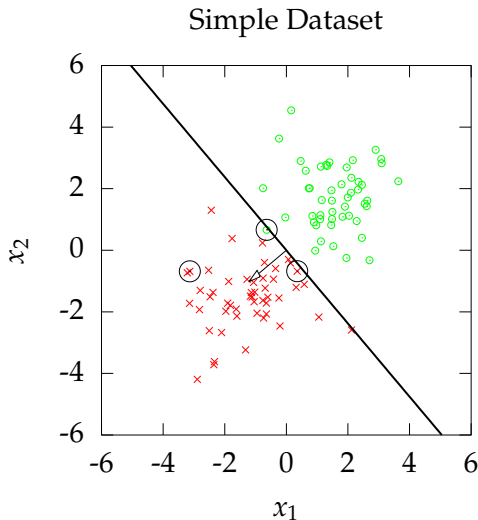
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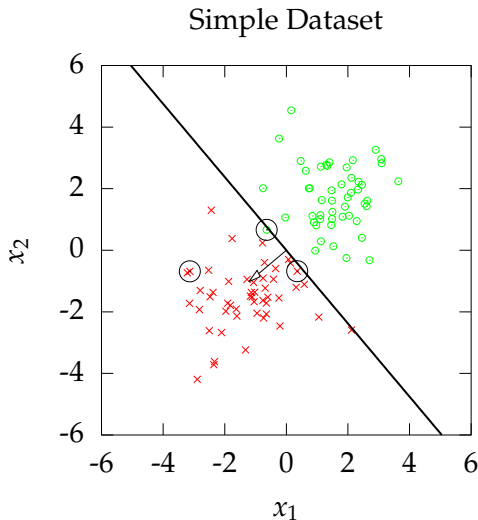
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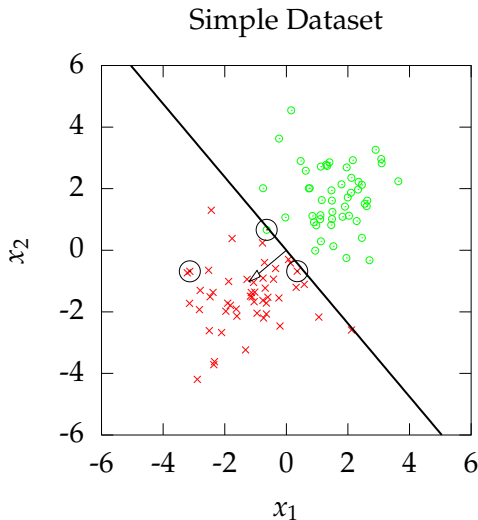
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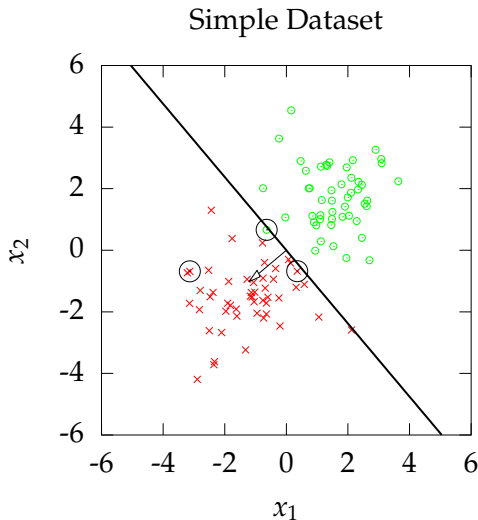
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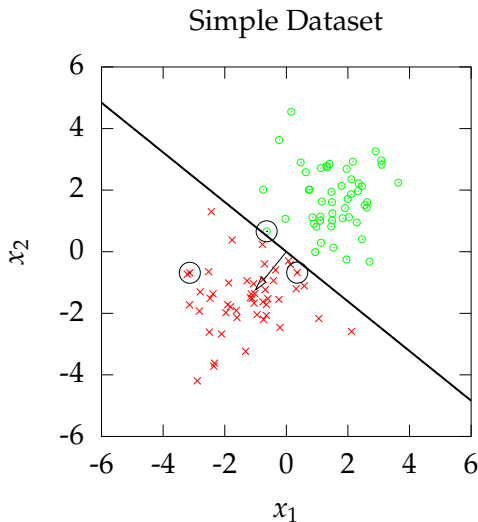
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# Outline

# Bayesian Approach

- ▶ Likelihood for the regression example has the form

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{w}, \sigma^2) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{N}(y_i | \mathbf{w}^\top \boldsymbol{\phi}_i, \sigma^2).$$

- ▶ Suggestion was to maximize this likelihood with respect to  $\mathbf{w}$ .
- ▶ This can be done with gradient based optimization of the log likelihood.
- ▶ Alternative approach: integration across  $\mathbf{w}$ .
- ▶ Consider expected value of likelihood under a range of potential  $\mathbf{w}$ s.
- ▶ This is known as the *Bayesian* approach.

# Note on the Term Bayesian

- ▶ We will use Bayes' rule to invert probabilities in the Bayesian approach.
  - ▶ Bayesian is not named after Bayes' rule (v. common confusion).
  - ▶ The term Bayesian refers to the treatment of the parameters as stochastic variables.
  - ▶ This approach was proposed by ? and ? independently.
  - ▶ For early statisticians this was very controversial (Fisher et al).

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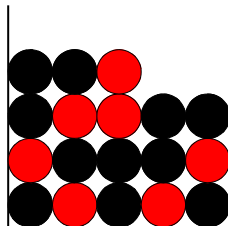
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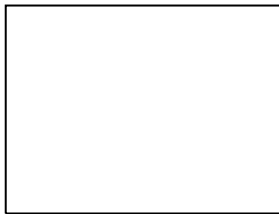
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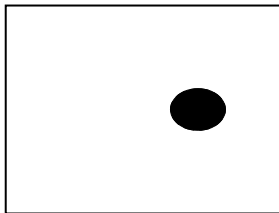
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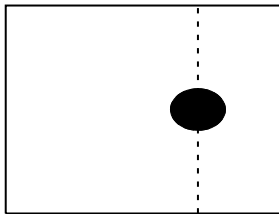
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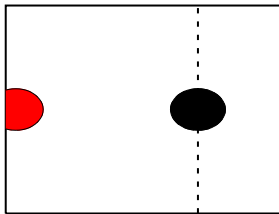
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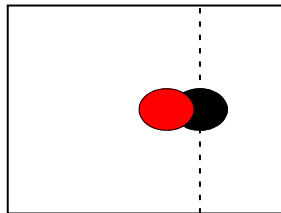
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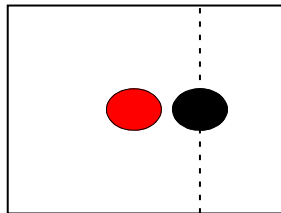
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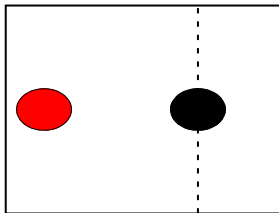
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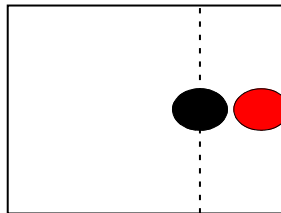
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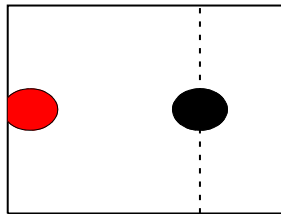
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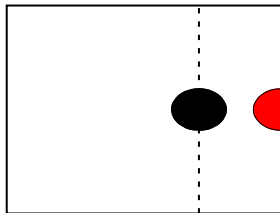
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# Bayesian Controversy

- ▶ Bayesian controversy relates to treating *epistemic* uncertainty as *aleatoric* uncertainty.
- ▶ Another analogy:
  - ▶ Before a football match the uncertainty about the result is *aleatoric*.
  - ▶ If I watch a recorded match *without* knowing the result the uncertainty is *epistemic*.

# Simple Bayesian Inference

$$\text{posterior} = \frac{\text{likelihood} \times \text{prior}}{\text{marginal likelihood}}$$

- ▶ Four components:
  1. Prior distribution: represents belief about parameter values before seeing data.
  2. Likelihood: gives relation between parameters and data.
  3. Posterior distribution: represents updated belief about parameters after data is observed.
  4. Marginal likelihood: represents assessment of the quality of the model. Can be compared with other models (likelihood/prior combinations). Ratios of marginal likelihoods are known as Bayes factors.

# Outline

# Naive Bayes

- ▶ Recall first lecture: Probabilities over everything.
- ▶ Covariances,  $\mathbf{x}$ , & response  $\mathbf{y}$ .

# Prediction Reminder

- ▶ Idea in Machine Learning: Joint Distribution over *everything*.
- ▶ Reformulate joint distribution using *sum* and *product* rules to answer question we want.
- ▶ First construct model:  $P(y^*, \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X})$
- ▶ Then make prediction:

$$P(y^* | \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X})$$

can be found using product rule of probability.

# Model

1. *Data Conditional Independence* There are parameters of the model,  $\theta$ , and conditioned on these parameters all data points in the model are independent.

$$P(y^*, \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X} | \theta) = P(y^*, \mathbf{x}^* | \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i | \theta)$$

2. *Feature Conditional Independence* The covariates/features of the model are *also* conditionally independent given the label.

$$P(\mathbf{x}_i | y_i, \theta) = \prod_{j=1}^q p(x_{i,j} | y_i, \theta)$$

where  $q$  is the covariate dimensionality.



# Model

- ▶ These two assumptions are enough to begin to specify our model.
- ▶ We further need a *marginal* distribution over the data labels,

$$p(y_i|\pi) = y_i^\pi (1 - y_i)^{(1-\pi)}$$

- ▶ Which we can specify as *Bernoulli* because it is the most general form.  $\pi$  is the probability of a positive class.
- ▶ This equips us to specify the *joint* distribution for a single data point using the product rule.

$$p(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = p(y_i) \prod_{j=1}^q p(x_{i,j}|y_i\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

# The Joint Probability of the Training Data

We can now *fit* the *joint probability* to our data  $\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}$ .

- ▶ Using sum rule and *data conditional independence* we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}|\theta) &= \sum_{\mathbf{y}^*} \sum_{\mathbf{x}^*} P(\mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}|\theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i|\theta) \sum_{\mathbf{y}^*} \sum_{\mathbf{x}^*} P(\mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{x}^*) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i|\theta) \end{aligned}$$

# The Joint Probability of a Training Point

We now need to specify the joint distribution for a single point.

- ▶ Using product rule and *feature conditional independence*.

$$P(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i | \boldsymbol{\theta}) = P(y_i)P(\mathbf{x}_i | y_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = P(y_i) \prod_{i,j} P(x_{i,j} | y_i, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

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# Reading

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# Generalised Linear Models

- ▶ Link function

# Logit: Predicting the Log Odds

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# Logit: Interpretation as a Squashing Function

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