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$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{y}) &\propto \prod_{n=1}^N p(y_n|\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{f})p(\mathbf{f}) \\ &\propto \prod_{n=1}^N \mathcal{N}(y_n|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_n), \sigma^2)p(\mathbf{f}) \\ &\propto \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{f}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})p(\mathbf{f}) \\ &\propto \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{f}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by using standard gaussian results, posterior will be

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{y}) &= \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\mu}_*, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_*) \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_* &= (\mathbf{I} + \sigma^2\mathbf{K}^{-1})^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_* &= (\frac{\mathbf{I}}{\sigma^2} + \mathbf{K}^{-1})^{-1} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

With increasing  $l$ , posterior means tries to match true  $\sin(x)$  function, but if we keep increasing it, it will deviate. Also, the mean becomes smoother with increasing  $l$ , this is because of increasing covariance between terms.

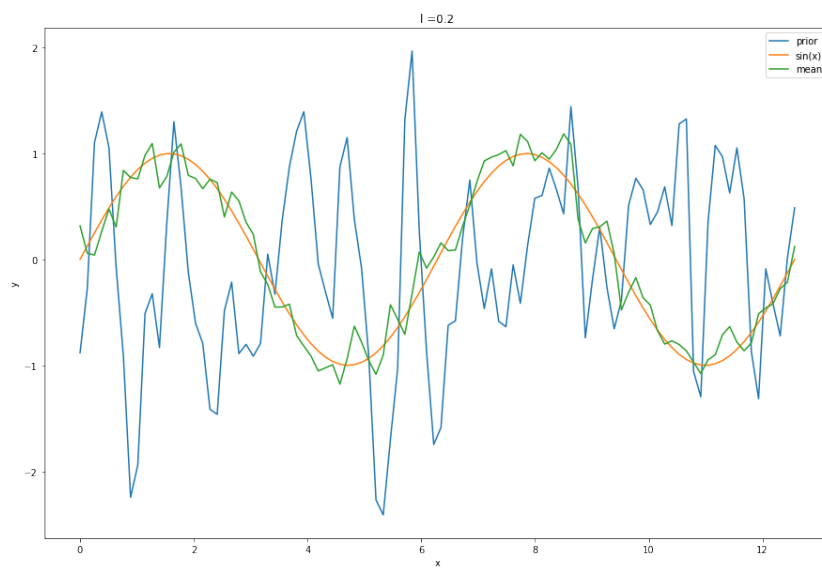


Figure 1:  $l=0.2$

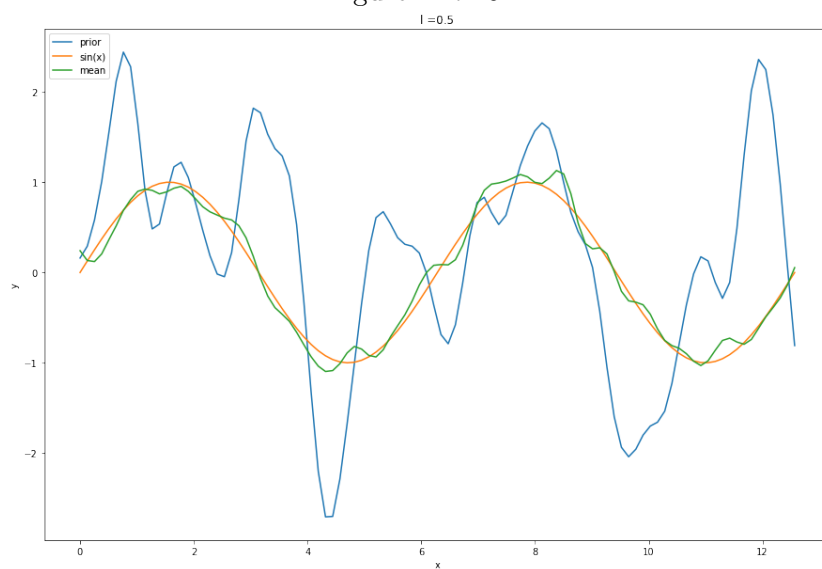
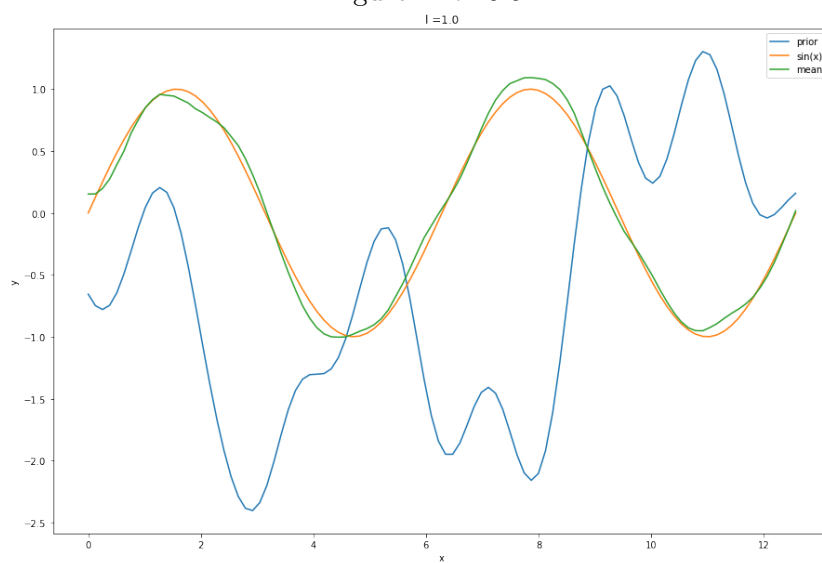


Figure 2:  $l=0.5$



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Figure 3:  $l=1$

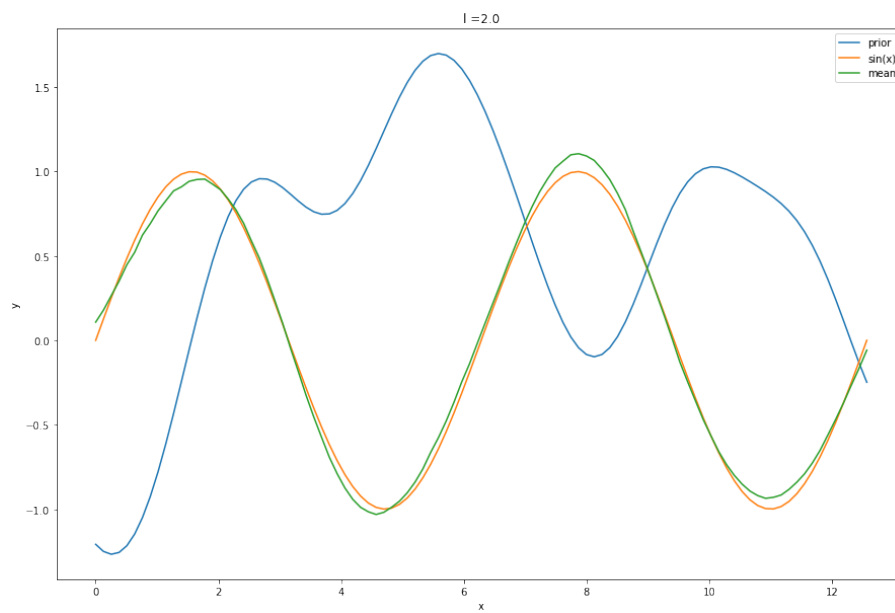


Figure 4:  $l=2$

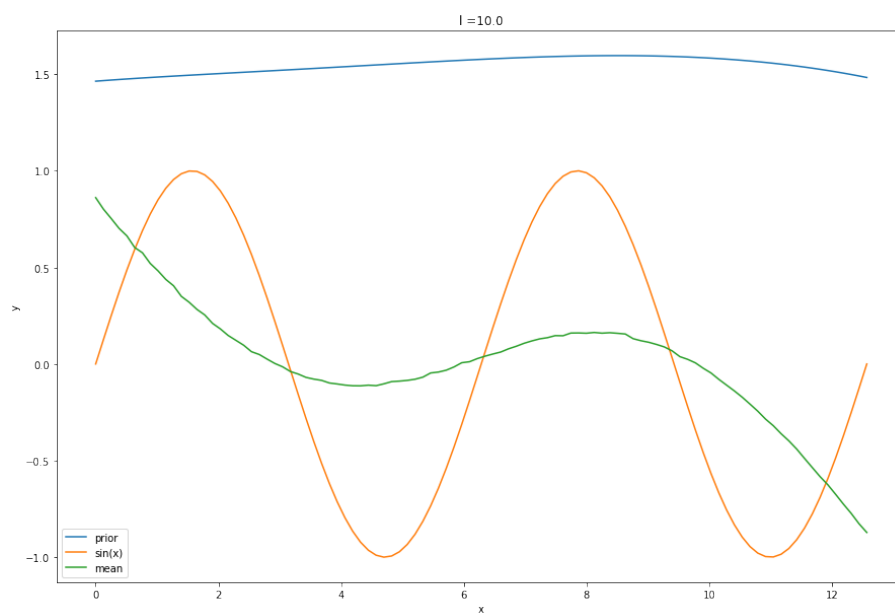


Figure 5:  $l=10$

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My solution to problem 2.  
 Posterior predictive for new input  $\mathbf{x}_*$  is :

$$p(\mathbf{f}_*|\mathbf{x}_*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{f}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}_*|\mathbf{k}_*^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{f}, \kappa(\mathbf{x}_*, \mathbf{x}_*) - \mathbf{k}_*^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{k}_*)$$

Now we have pseudo-training inputs  $\mathbf{Z} = z_1, z_2, \dots, z_M$  along with their pseudo noiseless outputs  $\mathbf{t} = t_1, t_2, \dots, t_M$  where  $M \ll N$ . For this we have:

$$p(f_n|x_n, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{t}) = \mathcal{N}(f_n|\tilde{\mathbf{k}}^T \tilde{\mathbf{K}}^{-1} \mathbf{t}, \kappa(x_n, x_n) - \tilde{\mathbf{k}}^T \tilde{\mathbf{K}}^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{k}}) \quad (3)$$

When  $\tilde{\mathbf{K}}$  is  $M \times M$  kernel matrix of pseudo inputs  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_n$  is the  $M \times 1$  vector of kernel based similarities of  $x_n$  with each of the pseudo inputs  $z_1, \dots, z_M$

$$\begin{aligned} p(f_n|x_n, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{t}) &= \mathcal{N}(f_n|\mathbf{k}_n^T \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{t}, \kappa(x_n, x_n) - \mathbf{k}_n^T \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{k}_n) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{t}) &= \prod_{n=1}^N p(f_n|x_n, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{t}) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{t}) &= \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{P} \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{\Lambda}) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Where  $\mathbf{P}_{nm} = \kappa(x_n, z_m)$  and  $\mathbf{K}_M$  is  $M \times M$  matrix with  $(\mathbf{K}_M)_{nm} = \kappa(z_n, z_m)$  and  $\mathbf{\Lambda}_{ii} = \kappa(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{k}_i^T \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{k}_i$ .

- Posterior Predictive Distribution of output  $y_*$  of new input  $x_*$

$$\begin{aligned} p(y_*|x_*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{f}) &= \int p((y_*|x_*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{t}) p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{f}) d\mathbf{t} \\ p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{f}) &\propto p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{t}) p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{Z}) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

We have  $p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{Z}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}_M)$ . Using the results of gaussian process we get

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{f}) &= \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{t}|\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{f}}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{f}}) \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{f}} &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1} \mathbf{f} \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{f}} &= (\mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{K}_M^{-1})^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

We have  $\mathbf{f}_* = \mathbf{k}_*^T \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{t} + \epsilon$  where  $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \kappa(x_*, x_*))$ . Using results of the gaussian process we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(y_*|x_*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{Z}) &= \mathcal{N}(y_*|\boldsymbol{\mu}_*, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_*) \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_* &= \mathbf{k}_*^T \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1} \mathbf{f} \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_* &= \mathbf{k}_*^T \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{k}_* + \kappa(x_*, x_*) - \mathbf{k}_*^T \mathbf{K}_M^{-1} \mathbf{k}_* \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

**How does this posterior predictive for  $y_*$  compare with the usual GP's posterior predictive for  $y_*$  in terms of computational cost?**

The computation cost is now  $O(M^2N)$ , which is due to covariance matrix  $\Sigma_{t|f}$ , since  $M \ll N$  is much better than the previous  $O(N^3)$ .

- The Marginal Likelihood is:

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) = \int p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, t)p(t|\mathbf{Z})dt$$

We can directly use the properties of gaussian models:

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) &= \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} &= 0 \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma} &= \mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}_M^{-1}\mathbf{P}^T + \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

MLE-II objective is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{Z}} &= \underset{\mathbf{Z}}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) \\ &= \underset{\mathbf{Z}}{\operatorname{argmax}} (-\log |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}| - \mathbf{f}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{f}) \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

This can be solved using a gradient accent.

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In the case of arguments model

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(y_n, z_n | \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_n, \sigma^2, \nu) &= \mathcal{N}(y_n | \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n, \frac{\sigma^2}{z_n}) * \text{Gamma}(z_n | \frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}) \\
 p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z}, \rho^2, \sigma^2) &\propto \prod_{n=1}^N p(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z}, \sigma^2) p(\mathbf{w} | \rho^2) \\
 &\propto \prod_{n=1}^N \mathcal{N}(y_n | \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n, \frac{\sigma^2}{z_n}) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w} | 0, \rho^2 \mathbf{I}_D) \\
 &\propto \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w}, \text{diag}\left[\frac{\sigma^2}{z_1}, \dots, \frac{\sigma^2}{z_N}\right]\right) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w} | 0, \rho^2 \mathbf{I}_D)
 \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Using slides , gaussian posterior can be written as  $p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z}, \rho^2, \sigma^2) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_*, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_*)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \boldsymbol{\mu}_* &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_* \mathbf{X}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_* &= \left( \mathbf{X}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{X} + \frac{\mathbf{I}_D}{\rho^2} \right)^{-1}
 \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \text{diag}\left[\frac{z_1}{\sigma^2}, \dots, \frac{z_N}{\sigma^2}\right]$   
 conditional posterior of  $z_n$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(z_n | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z}_{-n}, \nu, \sigma^2) &\propto p(y_n | z_n, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_n, \sigma^2) p(z_n | \nu) \\
 &\propto \mathcal{N}\left(y_n | \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n, \frac{\sigma^2}{z_n}\right) * \text{Gamma}\left(z_n | \frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}\right) \\
 &\propto z_n^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp\left[-z_n \left(\frac{(y_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\nu}{2}\right)\right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Hence ,  $p(z_n | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z}_{-n}, \nu, \sigma^2) = \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}, \frac{(y_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\nu}{2}\right)$

**The Gibbs Sampling Algorithm:**

1. Initialize  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}^{(0)}$
2. for  $t = 0, 1, \dots, T$

$$(i) \ z_n^{(t)} \sim \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}, \frac{(y_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\nu}{2}\right) \tag{13}$$

$$(ii) \ \mathbf{w}^{(t)} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_*, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_*) \tag{14}$$

Repeat till convergence or threshold.

**EM algorithm**

- **E step**

for all  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n$

$$z_n \sim p(z_n | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z}_{-n}, \nu, \sigma^2) \quad (15)$$

Expectation will be

$$\mathbb{E} [p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{z}, \rho^2, \sigma^2)]$$

As mentioned in slides

$$p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{z}], \rho^2, \sigma^2)$$

- **Maximization step**

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{z}], \rho^2, \sigma^2) \quad (16)$$

It is basically MAP estimate. By using first order optimality condition i.e  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{0}$ , we will get

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \left[ \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \frac{\sigma^2}{\rho^2} \mathbf{I}_D \right]^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbb{E} [\operatorname{Diag}[\mathbf{z}]] \mathbf{y} \quad (17)$$

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Given,

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\gamma_d) &= \text{Bernoulli}(\theta) \\
 p(\theta) &= \text{Beta}(a_o, b_o) \\
 p(\sigma^2) &= \text{IG}\left(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu\lambda}{2}\right) \\
 p(w_d|\sigma, \gamma_d) &= \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 \kappa_{\gamma_d}) \\
 \text{where } \kappa_{\gamma_d} &= \gamma_d v_1 + (1 - \gamma_d) v_0
 \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

- The given weight prior is dividing the features into two types based on their importance. It also does sparse learning for weight parameters of two types: the precision is high for one type while lower for another. We can see this as an automatic feature division.
- Posterior over the latent variables:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \sigma^2, \gamma) &\propto \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}, \sigma^2) \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{w}|\sigma^2, \gamma) \\
 &\propto \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_N) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{K})
 \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

$$K = \text{diag}(\kappa_{\gamma_1}, \kappa_{\gamma_2}, \dots, \kappa_{\gamma_D})$$

Now, from using results from slides

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \sigma^2, \gamma) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\boldsymbol{\mu}_w, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_w) \tag{20}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_w = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{K}^{-1})^{-1} \tag{21}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_w = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_w \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \tag{22}$$

The complete data log-likelihood(CLL) will be

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{y}|\mathbf{X}, \sigma^2, \gamma) &= \log \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}, \sigma^2) + \log \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{w}|\sigma^2, \gamma) \\
 &= -\frac{N+D}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w})^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{w} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d=1}^D \log(\kappa_{\gamma_d})
 \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E}[CLL] &= -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} - 2\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}]) + \text{Tr}((\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}])) \\
 &\quad - \frac{N+D}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d=1}^D \log(\kappa_{\gamma_d})
 \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$



from slides

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}] = \boldsymbol{\mu}_w \quad (25)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T] = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_w + \boldsymbol{\mu}_w\boldsymbol{\mu}_w^T \quad (26)$$

**Maximization step:**

$$\log[\mathcal{P}(\sigma^2)] = -\left(\frac{\nu}{2} + 1\right) \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{\nu\gamma}{2\sigma^2} + \text{constant} \quad (27)$$

$$\log[\mathcal{P}(\theta)] = (a_0 - 1) \log(\theta) + (b_0 - 1) \log(1 - \theta) \quad (28)$$

$$\log[\mathcal{P}(\gamma_d|\theta)] = \gamma_d \log(\theta) + (1 - \gamma_d) \log(1 - \theta) \quad (29)$$

The MAP estimate can be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \{\sigma^2, \gamma, \theta\}_{MAP} &= \arg \max_{\sigma^2, \theta, \gamma} \mathbb{E}[CLL] + \log \mathcal{P}(\sigma^2, \theta, \gamma) \\ &= \arg \max_{\sigma^2, \theta, \gamma} \mathbb{E}[CLL] + \log \mathcal{P}(\sigma^2) + \log \mathcal{P}(\theta) + \sum_{d=1}^D \log \mathcal{P}(\gamma_d|\theta) \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

**Update of  $\gamma_d|\theta$  :**

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_d &= \arg \max_{\gamma_d \in \{0,1\}} \mathbb{E}[CLL] + \log \mathcal{P}(\sigma^2, \theta, \gamma) \\ &= \arg \max_{\gamma_d \in \{0,1\}} -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2\kappa_{\gamma_d}} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T] - \frac{1}{2} \log(\kappa_{\gamma_d}) + \gamma_d \log(\theta) + (1 - \gamma_d) \log(1 - \theta) \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

**Update of  $\sigma^2$  :**

$$\frac{\partial(\mathbb{E}[CLL] + \log \mathcal{P}(\sigma^2, \theta, \gamma))}{\partial(\sigma^2)} = 0 \quad (32)$$

$$\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} (\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} - 2\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}] + \text{Tr}((\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T])) - \frac{N+D}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\frac{\nu}{2} + 1\right) + \frac{\nu\gamma}{2\sigma^4}) = 0 \quad (33)$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} - 2\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}] + \text{Tr}((\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T])) + \nu\gamma}{N + D + \nu + 2} \quad (34)$$

**Update of  $\theta$  :**

$$\frac{\partial(\mathbb{E}[CLL] + \log \mathcal{P}(\sigma^2, \theta, \gamma))}{\partial(\theta)} = 0 \quad (35)$$

$$\frac{1}{\theta} \left( \sum_{d=1}^D \gamma_d + a_0 - 1 \right) - \frac{1}{1 - \theta} \left( \sum_{d=1}^D (1 - \gamma_d) + b_0 - 1 \right) = 0 \quad (36)$$

$$\theta = \frac{\sum_{d=1}^D \gamma_d + a_0 - 1}{D + a_0 + b_0 - 2} \quad (37)$$

**EM algorithm:**

$$1. (\sigma^2, \gamma, \theta) = (\sigma^2, \gamma, \theta)^0$$

$$2. \text{for } t = 0, 1, \dots, T$$

- E step:  
updating the posterior:

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{w}^{t+1}|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \sigma^{2(t)}, \gamma^{(t)}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}^{(t)}|\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)}) \quad (38)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)} = \sigma^{2(t)} \left[ \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + (\mathbf{K}^{-1})^{(t)} \right]^{-1} \quad (39)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)} = \frac{1}{\sigma^{2(t)}} \left[ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \right] \quad (40)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}]^{(t+1)} = \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)} \quad (41)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T] = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t+1)}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^T)^{(t+1)} \quad (42)$$

- M step: update the parameters:

1.  $\gamma_d|\theta$  using eq.14.

2.  $\sigma^2$  using eq.17

3.  $\theta$  using eq.20.

Return  $(\sigma^2, \gamma, \theta)^T$  and  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \sigma^{2(T-1)}, \gamma^{(T-1)})$  until convergence.