

## Machine Learning

Linear Regression

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## Introduction

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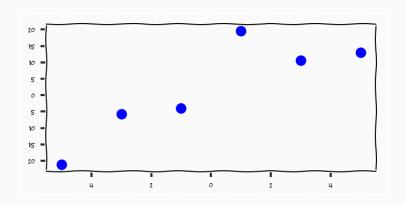
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### Conjugacy

$$= P(Y|\theta) \cdot p(\theta) \frac{1}{\int p(Y|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta} \qquad \propto P(Y|\theta)) \cdot p(\theta)$$

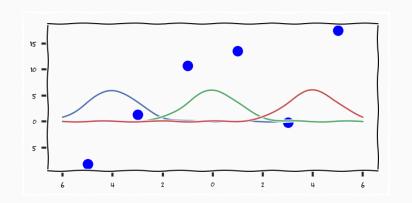
- A conjugate prior to a likelihood is such that the prior and the posterior is in the same functional family
- Knowing the form of the posterior allows us to avoid computing the evidence and just identify parameters

## Linear Regression [1] Ch 3.1



• Linear function in both parameters and data

$$y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + w_1 x_1 + \dots + w_D x_D = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x} + w_0 = \{D = 1\} w_0 + w_1 * x$$



• Linear function only in parameters

$$y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} w_j \phi_j(\mathbf{x}) = \{\phi_0(\mathbf{x}) = 1\} = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})$$

• We can choose many types of basis functions  $\phi(x)$ 

#### Model

$$t = y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) + \epsilon = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}) + \epsilon$$
$$\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \beta^{-1} I)$$

- We assume that we have been given data pairs  $\{t_i, \mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^N$  corrupted by addative noise
- We assume that the distribution of the noise follows a Gaussian

#### Task 1 define a likelihood

 what output do I consider likely under a given model?

#### Task 2 define an assumption of the model

- what types of models do I think are more probable than others
- ⇒ what are my beliefs, i.e formulate prior

#### Task 3 update my belief with new observations

formulate posterior

#### Task 4 predict using my new belief

• formulate predictive distribution

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 By making an assumption of the noise we have reached a conditional distribution over the output given the model, i.e.

 $\Rightarrow p(t|\mathbf{w},\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(t|\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\phi(\mathbf{x})). \beta^{-1}I$ 

Likelihood

$$p(t|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \mathcal{N}(t|\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\phi(\mathbf{x}), \beta^{-1})$$

Independence

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \mathcal{N}\left(t|\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}), \beta^{-1}\right)$$

Assume each output to be independent given the input and the parameters

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A noise precision

B constant

C error

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• Moore-Penrose inverse (np.linalg.pinv in numpy)

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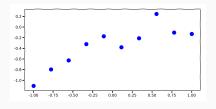
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# Linear Regression Example [1] Figure 3.7



Model

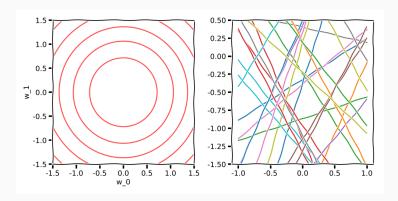
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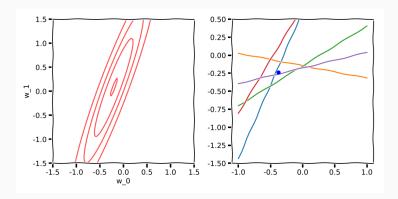
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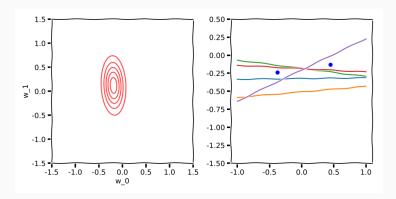
$$f(x, \mathbf{a}) = a_0 + a_1 x, \ \{a_0, a_1\} = \{-0.3, 0.5\}$$
  
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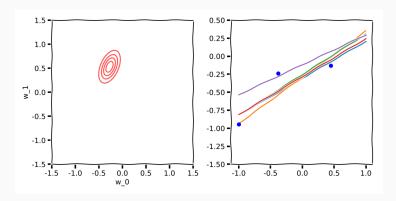
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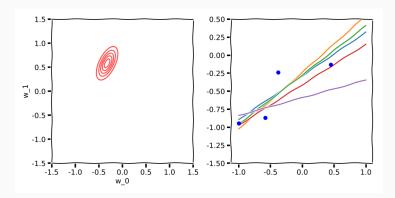
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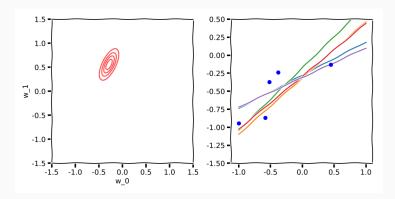


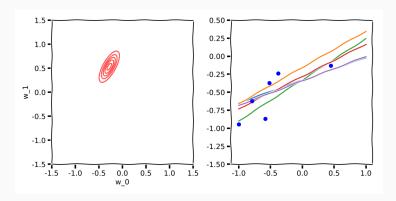


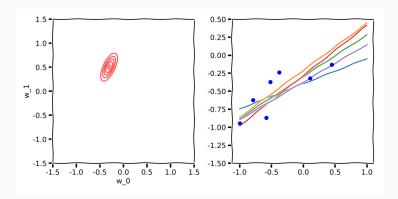


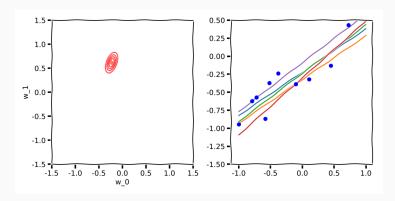


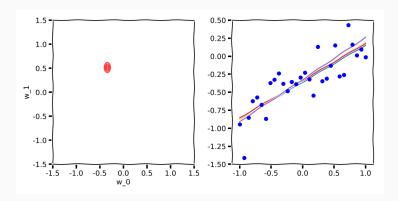












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- Understand [1] 3.3

## Statistics or Machine Learning

"The difference between statistics and machine learning is that the former cares about parameters while the latter cares about prediction"

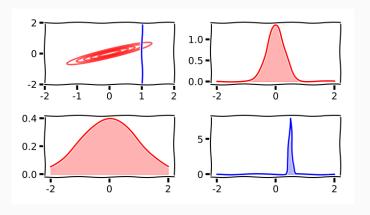
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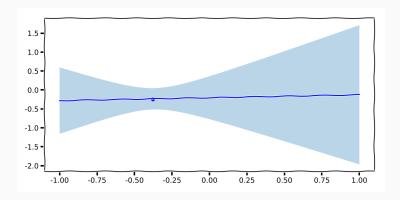
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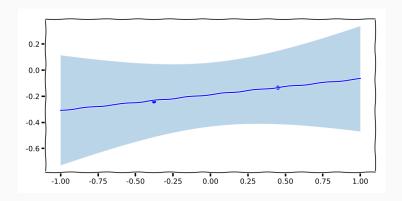
- we do not really care about w we care about new prediction  $t_*$  at location  $\mathbf{x}_*$
- look at the marginal distribution, i.e. when we average out the weight
- ullet integrate a Gaussian over a Gaussian  $\Rightarrow$  Gaussian identities

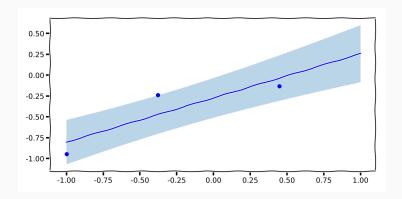
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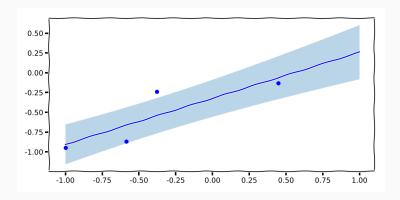


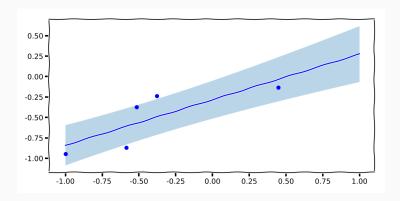
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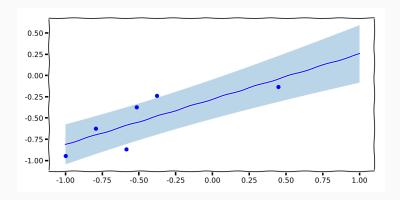


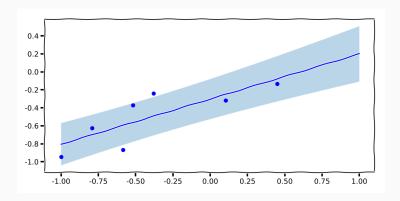


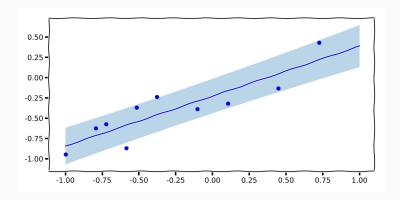


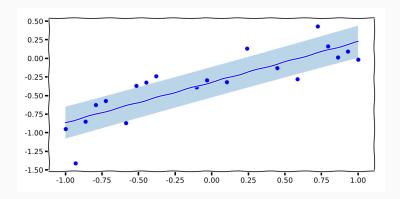


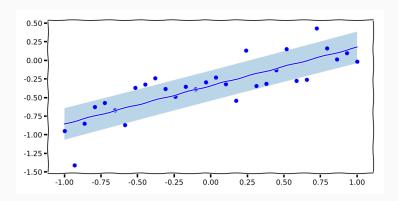




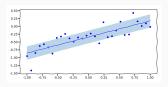


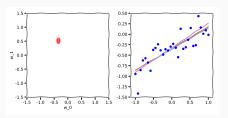




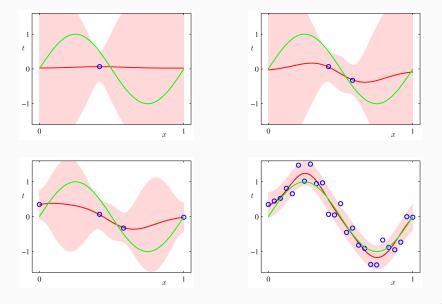


# Signal and Noise





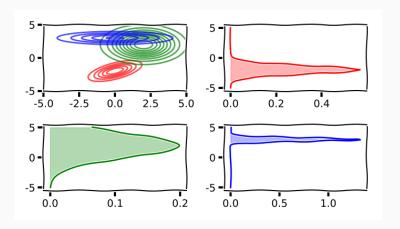
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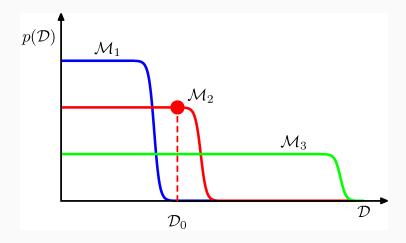
#### Which Parametrisation

- Should I use a line, polynomial, quadratic basis function?
- Likelihood won't help me
- How do we proceed?

# Marginal Distribution



# Marginal Likelihood [1] Figure 3.13



# **Summary**

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#### Today Models

- how to apply our assumptions to data
- how to learn for real

#### Next week

- Linear models can only take us that far
  - Monday Non-linear models
- Fixed model complexity
  - Tuesday Non-parametric models

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