

# Machine Learning Homework 3

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## Random Data Generator

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### a. Univariate Gaussian data generator

- Input
  - Expectation value or mean:  $m$
  - Variance:  $s$
- Output
  - a data point from  $N(m, s)$
- HINT
  - [Generating values from normal distribution](#)
  - You have to handcraft your generator based on one of the approaches given in the hyperlink
  - You can use uniform distribution function (e.g., NumPy)

### b. Polynomial basis linear model data generator

- $y = W^T \phi(x) + e$ 
  - $W$  is a  $n \times 1$  vector
  - $e \sim N(0, a)$
- Input
  - $n$  (basis number),  $a, w$
  - e.g.,  $n = 2 \rightarrow y = w_0 x^0 + w_1 x^1$
- Output
  - a point  $(x, y)$
- Internal constraint
  - $-1.0 < x < 1.0$
  - $x$  is uniformly distributed

## Sequential Estimator

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- Sequential estimate the mean and variance
  - Data is given from the univariate Gaussian data generator (1.a)
- Input
  - $m, s$  as in (1.a)
- Function
  - Call (1.a) to get a new data point from  $N(m, s)$
  - Use sequential estimation to find the current estimates to  $m$  and  $s$
  - Repeat steps above until the estimates converge
- Output

- Print the new data point and the current estimates of  $m$  and  $s$  in each iteration
- Notes
  - You should derive the recursive function of mean and variance based on the sequential estimation
  - Hint: [Online algorithm](#)
- Sample input & output (**for reference only**)

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Data point source function: N(3.0, 5.0)

Add data point: 1.220492527761238
Mean = 1.220492527761238    Variance = 0.0
Add data point: 3.6967805272943366
Mean = 2.458636527527787    Variance = 1.53300056415791
Add data point: 2.7258100985704146
Mean = 2.5476943845419964    Variance = 1.0378629798971994
Add data point: 2.2138523069477527
Mean = 2.4642338651434352    Variance = 0.7992942098177336
Add data point: 2.2113035958584453
Mean = 2.4136478112864372    Variance = 0.6496711632334788
Add data point: 0.05399706095719692
Mean = 2.020372686231564    Variance = 1.3147192559625305
Add data point: 4.3538771826058
Mean = 2.3537304714278835    Variance = 1.7936666971024264

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Add data point: 4.233592159021013
Mean = 2.961576104513964    Variance = 5.045715437349161
Add data point: 3.529990930040463
Mean = 2.961883688294010    Variance = 5.043159812425648
Add data point: 1.125210345431449
Mean = 2.960890354955524    Variance = 5.042255747918937
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## Mathematical Derivation

### Prove Gamma-Poisson conjugation

- Show that the Gamma distribution acts as a conjugate prior to the Poisson likelihood, including deriving the posterior distribution
- Notes
  - During the demo, you will be required to explain the entire mathematical proof
  - Upload the handwritten file to e3 (PDF or any image format)

### Posterior mean and variance with Gaussian prior

- Derive the posterior mean and variance for a prior given by  $w \sim N(\mu_0, \Lambda_0^{-1})$
- Notes
  - During the demo, you will be required to explain the entire mathematical proof
  - Upload the handwritten file to e3 (PDF or any image format)

- This part may help you solve the next question

## Bayesian Linear Regression

- Input
  - The precision (i.e.,  $b$ ) for initial prior  $w \sim N(0, b^{-1}I)$
  - All other required inputs for the polynomial basis linear model generator (1.b)
- Function
  - Call (1.b) to generate one data point
  - Update the prior, and calculate the parameters of predictive distribution
  - Repeat steps above until the posterior probability converges
- Output
  - Print the new data point and the current parameters for posterior and predictive distribution
  - After probability converged, do the visualization
    - Ground truth function (from linear model generator)
    - Final predict result
    - At the time that have seen 10 data points
    - At the time that have seen 50 data points
  - Notes
    - Except ground truth, you have to draw those data points which you have seen before
    - Draw a black line to represent the mean of function at each point
    - Draw two red lines to represent the variance of function at each point
      - In other words, distance between red line and mean is **ONE variance**
    - Hint: Online learning
- Sample input & output (**for reference only**)
  - Case 1:  $b = 1, n = 4, a = 1, w = [1, 2, 3, 4]$

Add data point (-0.64152, 0.19039):

Posterior mean:

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0.0718294547
-0.0460797888
0.0295609502
-0.0189638408
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Posterior variance:

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0.6227289276, 0.2420256620, -0.1552634839, 0.0996041049
0.2420256620, 0.8447365161, 0.0996041049, -0.0638976884
-0.1552634839, 0.0996041049, 0.9361023116, 0.0409914289
0.0996041049, -0.0638976884, 0.0409914289, 0.9737033172
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Predictive distribution  $\sim N(0.00000, 2.65061)$

Add data point (0.07122, 1.63175):

Posterior mean:

0.6736864869  
0.2388980107  
-0.1054659080  
0.0710615952

Posterior variance:

0.3765992302,	0.1254838660,	-0.1000441911,	0.0627881634
0.1254838660,	0.7895542671,	0.1257503020,	-0.0813299447
-0.1000441911,	0.1257503020,	0.9237138418,	0.0492510997
0.0627881634,	-0.0813299447,	0.0492510997,	0.9681964094

Predictive distribution  $\sim N(0.06869, 1.66008)$

Add data point (-0.19330, 0.24507):

Posterior mean:

0.5760972313  
0.2450231522  
-0.0801842453  
0.0504992402

Posterior variance:

0.2867129751,	0.1311255325,	-0.0767580827,	0.0438488542
0.1311255325,	0.7892001707,	0.1242887609,	-0.0801412282
-0.0767580827,	0.1242887609,	0.9176812972,	0.0541575540
0.0438488542,	-0.0801412282,	0.0541575540,	0.9642058389

Predictive distribution  $\sim N(0.62305, 1.34848)$

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Add data point (-0.76990, -0.34768):

Posterior mean:

0.9107496675  
1.9265499885  
3.1119297129  
4.1312375189

Posterior variance:

0.0051883836,	-0.0004416700,	-0.0086000319,	0.0008247001
-0.0004416700,	0.0401966605,	0.0012708906,	-0.0554822477
-0.0086000319,	0.0012708906,	0.0265353911,	-0.0031205875
0.0008247001,	-0.0554822477,	-0.0031205875,	0.0937197255

Predictive distribution  $\sim N(-0.61566, 1.00921)$

Add data point (0.36500, 2.22705):

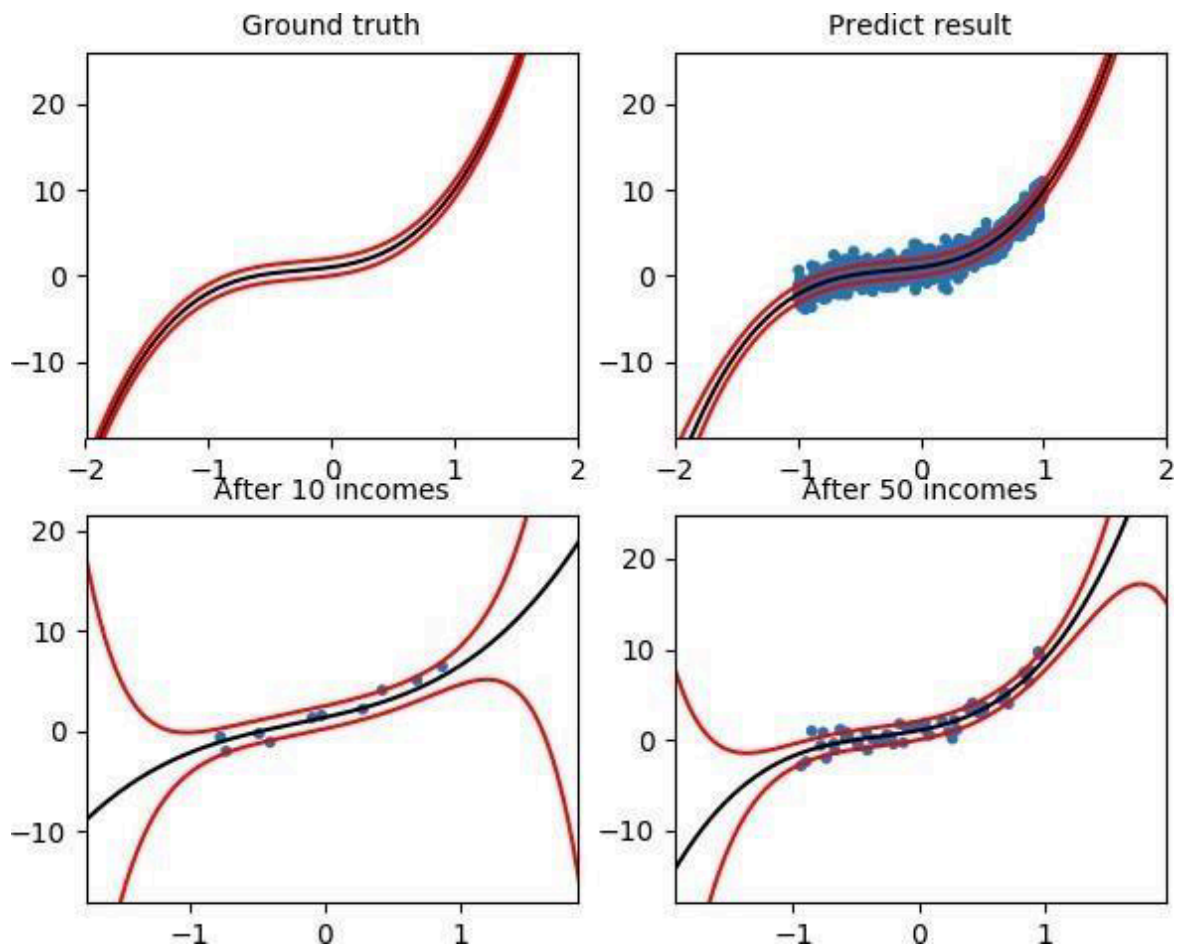
Posterior mean:

0.9107404583  
1.9265225090  
3.1119408740  
4.1312734131

Posterior variance:

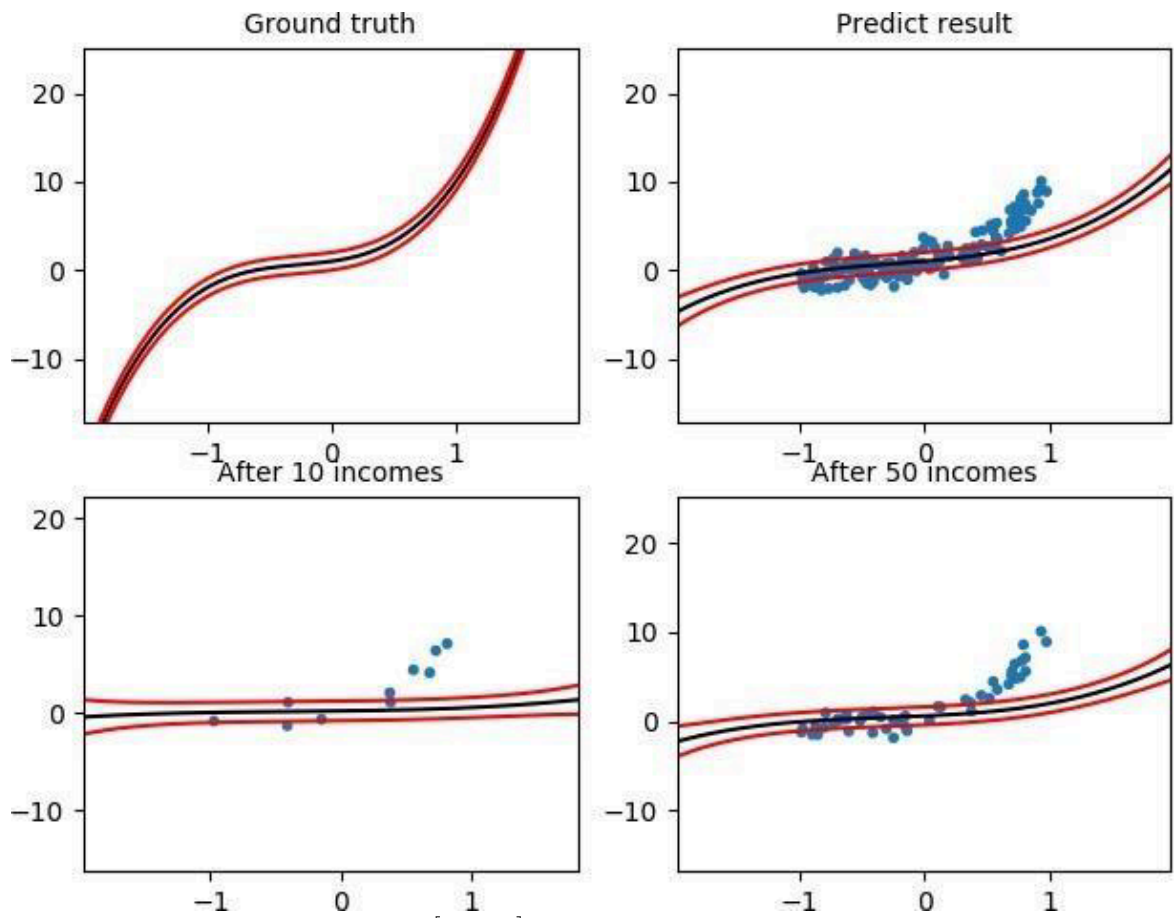
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0.0051731092, -0.0004872471, -0.0085815201, 0.0008842340
-0.0004872471, 0.0400606628, 0.0013261280, -0.0553046044
-0.0085815201, 0.0013261280, 0.0265129556, -0.0031927398
0.0008842340, -0.0553046044, -0.0031927398, 0.0934876838
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Predictive distribution  $\sim N(2.22942, 1.00682)$



- Case 2:  $b = 100, n = 4, a = 1, w = [1, 2, 3, 4]$

(Console output omitted)



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