## STAT 576 Bayesian Analysis

Lecture 3: Bayesian Inference II

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▶ Therefore, we write (with  $s^2 = (n-1)^{-1} \sum_i (y_i - \bar{y})^2$  the sample variance)

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▶ The score function is

$$\nabla \ell(\mu, \sigma^2) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{n(\mu - \bar{y})}{\sigma^2} \\ \frac{(n-1)s^2 + n(\bar{y} - \mu)^2}{2(\sigma^2)^2} - \frac{n}{2\sigma^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

▶ The Fisher's information  $(2 \times 2 \text{ matrix})$  is

$$\mathcal{I}(\mu, \sigma^2) = -\mathbb{E}_{\mu, \sigma^2}[\Delta \ell(\mu, \sigma)] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n}{\sigma^2} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{n}{2\sigma^4} \end{bmatrix}$$

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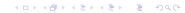
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$$\mathcal{I}(\lambda) = \left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \lambda}\right)^T \mathcal{I}(\theta) \left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \lambda}\right)$$

▶ This corresponds to the change-of-variable of  $p(\theta)$  to  $\lambda$ :

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- We observe:
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