

# PROBABILISTIC MACHINE LEARNING

## LECTURE 07

### PARAMETRIC REGRESSION

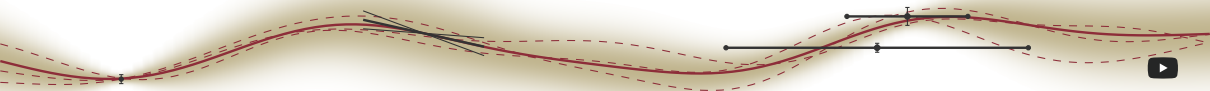
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# Recap: Gaussian Distributions

Gaussian distributions provide the linear algebra of inference

- ▶ products of Gaussians are Gaussians

$$C := (A^{-1} + B^{-1})^{-1} \quad c := C(A^{-1}a + B^{-1}b)$$

$$\mathcal{N}(x; a, A)\mathcal{N}(x; b, B) = \mathcal{N}(x; c, C)\mathcal{N}(a; b, A + B)$$

- ▶ linear projections of Gaussians are Gaussians

$$p(z) = \mathcal{N}(z; \mu, \Sigma) \quad \Rightarrow \quad p(Az) = \mathcal{N}(Az, A\mu, A\Sigma A^T)$$

- ▶ marginals of Gaussians are Gaussians

$$\int \mathcal{N} \left[ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}; \begin{bmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{xx} & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \Sigma_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \right] dy = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_x, \Sigma_{xx})$$

- ▶ (linear) conditionals of Gaussians are Gaussians

$$p(x | y) = \frac{p(x, y)}{p(y)} = \mathcal{N} \left( x; \mu_x + \Sigma_{xy}\Sigma_{yy}^{-1}(y - \mu_y), \Sigma_{xx} - \Sigma_{xy}\Sigma_{yy}^{-1}\Sigma_{yx} \right)$$

**Bayesian inference becomes linear algebra**

$$p(x) = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu, \Sigma) \quad p(y | x) = \mathcal{N}(y; A^T x + b, \Lambda)$$

$$p(B^T x + c | y) = \mathcal{N}[B^T x + c; B^T \mu + c + B^T \Sigma A (A^T \Sigma A + \Lambda)^{-1} (y - A^T \mu - b), B^T \Sigma B - B^T \Sigma A (A^T \Sigma A + \Lambda)^{-1} A^T \Sigma B]$$



# Code `gaussians.py`

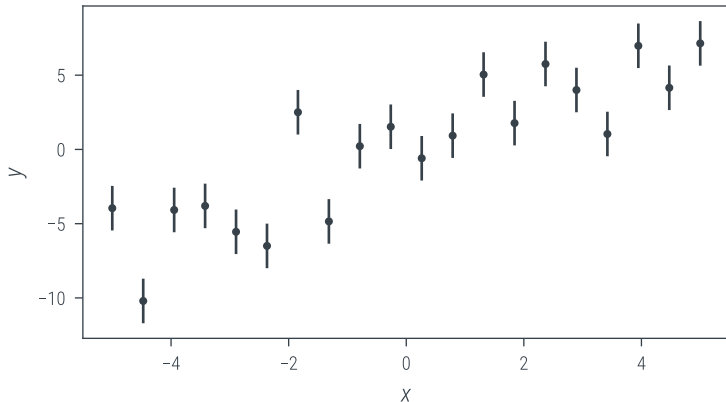


# Supervised Regression

A data set

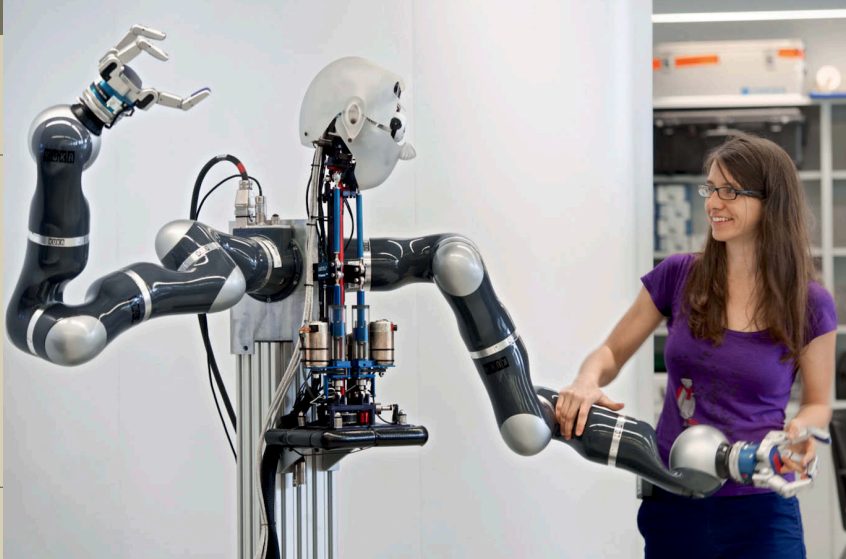
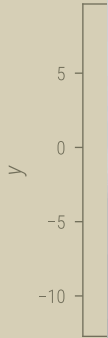


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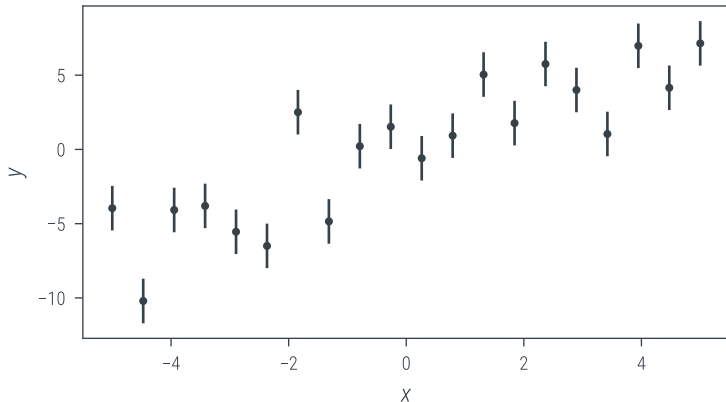


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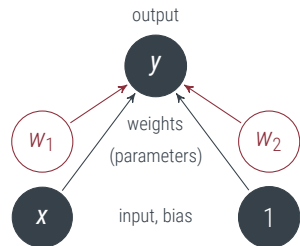
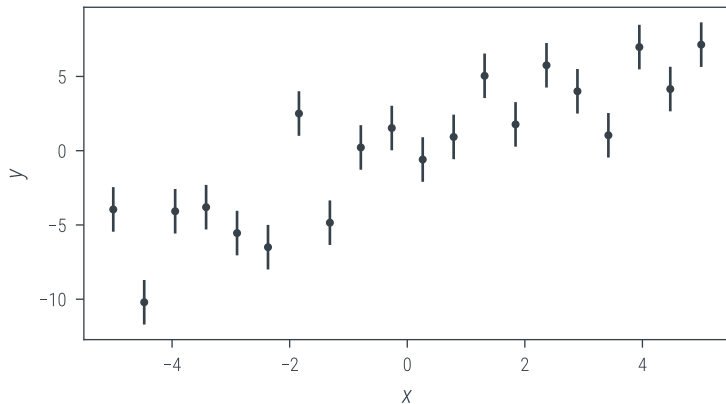


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linear regression

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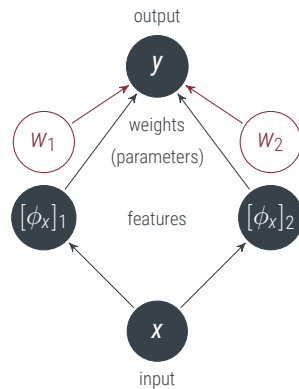
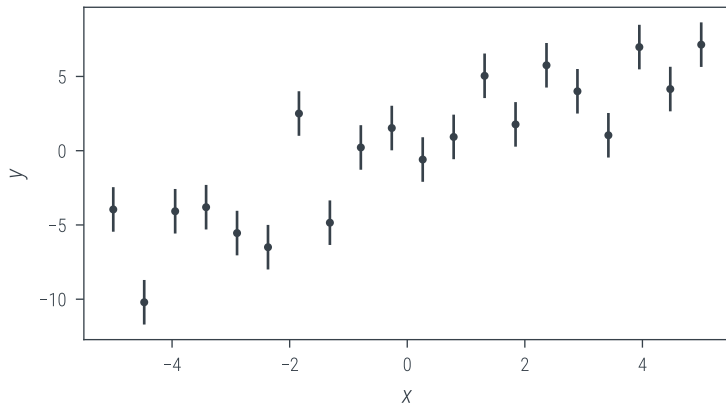




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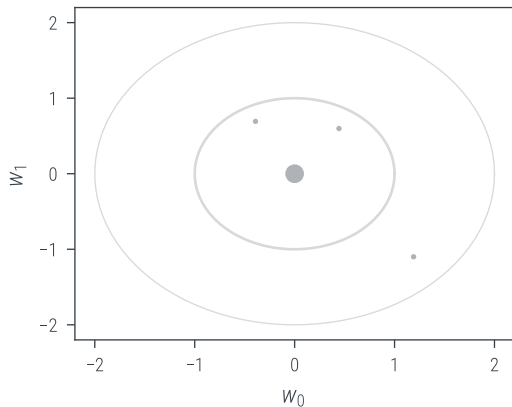


# A linear generative model

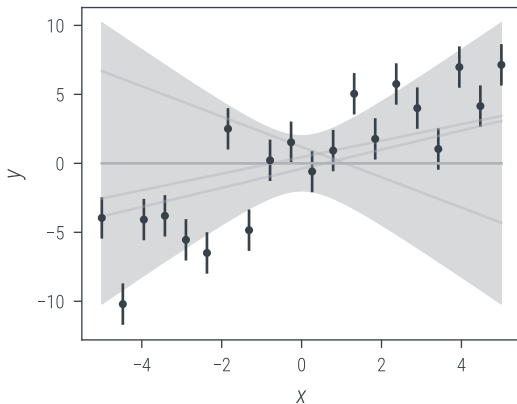
if every variable is Gaussian and every relationship is linear, all marginals and conditionals are also Gaussian

$$f(x) = w_1 + w_2 x = \phi_x^\top w$$

$$p(w) = \mathcal{N}(w; \mu, \Sigma)$$



$$p(f) = \mathcal{N}(f; \phi_x^\top \mu, \phi_x^\top \Sigma \phi_x)$$



# Notation

this will become exceedingly helpful later on

Dataset:  $X := \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{X}^N, \mathbf{y} := \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ . We will use the following very sloppy notation, sloppily

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_x &:= \phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^F & \phi_X &:= [\phi(x_1) \quad \phi(x_2) \quad \cdots \quad \phi(x_N)] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{F \times N} \\ f_x &:= f(x) \in \mathbb{R} & f_X &:= \phi_X^T \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(x_1) & \phi_2(x_1) \\ \phi_1(x_2) & \phi_2(x_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \phi_1(x_N) & \phi_2(x_N) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{x_1}^T \mathbf{w} \\ \phi_{x_2}^T \mathbf{w} \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{x_N}^T \mathbf{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_N) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^N \end{aligned}$$

Think of  $f$  as an infinitely long vector, indexed by  $x$ :

$$\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^N, l \in \mathbb{N}^d \Rightarrow v_l := [v_{l_1}, \dots, v_{l_d}] \in \mathbb{R} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad f \in \mathbb{R}^\infty, X \in \mathbb{R}^N \Rightarrow f_X := [f_{x_1}, \dots, f_{x_N}] \in \mathbb{R}^N.$$



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our work from last lecture pays off

$$p(w | y, \phi_X) = \mathcal{N} \left( w; \mu + \Sigma \phi_X (\phi_X^T \Sigma \phi_X + \sigma^2 I)^{-1} (y - \phi_X^T \mu), \Sigma - \Sigma \phi_X (\phi_X^T \Sigma \phi_X + \sigma^2 I)^{-1} \phi_X^T \Sigma \right)$$

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11 # load data
12 import scipy.io
13 lin_data = scipy.io.loadmat("lindata.mat")
14 X = lin_data["X"] # inputs
15 Y = lin_data["Y"][:, 0] # outputs
16 sigma = lin_data["sigma"][0].flatten() # noise
17
18 # condition on data to get the posterior: p(w|X,Y) = N(Y|phi(X) @ w, sigma**2 I) * p(w) / p(Y|X)
19 posterior = prior.condition(phi(X), Y, sigma**2 * jnp.eye(len(X)))

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## DEMO

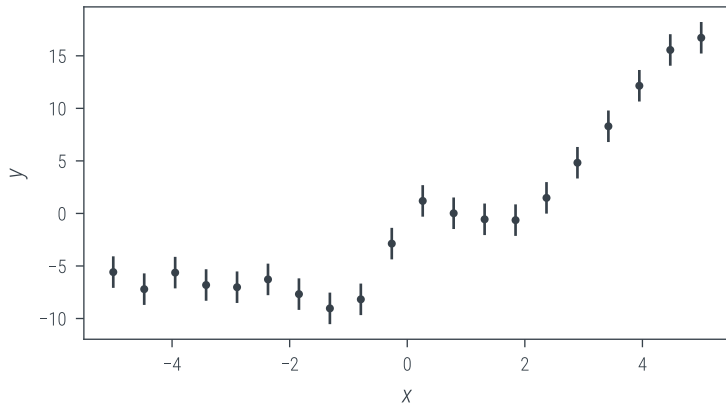
- ▶ `git clone https://github.com/philipp Hennig/ProbML_Apps.git`
- ▶ `cd ProbML_Apps/07`
- ▶ `pip install -r requirements.txt`
- ▶ `streamlit run Lecture_07.py`





# A more Realistic Dataset

General linear regression



$$f(x) = w_1 + w_2 x = \phi_x^\top w$$

$$\phi_x := \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix}$$



## Summary:

- ▶ Gaussian distributions can be used to **learn functions**
- ▶ Analytical inference is possible using **general linear models**

$$f(x) = \phi(x)^T w = \phi_x^T w$$

- ▶ Then the posterior on both  $w$  and  $f$  is Gaussian
- ▶ The choice of features  $\phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is essentially unconstrained

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