

# Bayesian Updates

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# Chapter 1

## Preliminaries

### 1.1 Circular Distributions

I'm anticipating that I might need to put more words into this later on, so am leaving space for them here.

#### 1.1.1 Von Mises distribution

The Von-Mises distribution is given by:

$$f(x, \mu, \kappa) = \frac{1}{2\pi I_0 \kappa} \exp(\kappa \cos(x - \mu)), \quad -\pi \leq x \leq \pi,$$

where  $I_0(\cdot)$  is the 0th modified Bessel function, where the  $n$ th modified Bessel function is given by

$$I_n(\kappa) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(n\theta) \exp(\kappa \cos \theta) d\theta.$$

The circular mean of the Von-Mises distribution is given by:

$$\mathbb{E} [\exp i\theta] = \frac{I_1(\kappa)}{I_0(\kappa)} e^{i\mu}.$$

In general, this can be seen via

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[e^{in\theta}] &= \frac{1}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(in\theta) \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} \int_{-\pi-\mu}^{\pi-\mu} \exp(in(\psi + \mu)) \exp(\kappa \cos \psi) d\psi \\
&= \frac{e^{in\mu}}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(in\theta) \exp(\kappa \cos \theta) d\theta \\
&= \frac{e^{in\mu}}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)) \exp(\kappa \cos \theta) d\theta \\
&= \frac{e^{in\mu}}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(n\theta) \exp(\kappa \cos \theta) d\theta \\
&= \frac{I_{|n|}(\kappa)}{I_0(\kappa)} e^{in\mu}.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that we remove the sin integral by using the fact that the integral of an odd function over a symmetric, periodic interval is 0.

## Chapter 2

# Problem Statement

### 2.1 Setup

Goal: Given a single measurement of a Bernoulli random variable and a Von-Mises prior distribution, calculate the posterior distribution and approximate to a Von-Mises distribution.

- $t$  - time step
- $d_t$  - Grover depth of quantum circuit at time  $t$
- $Y_t$  - random variable representing a single shot measurement  $y_t$  of the quantum circuit at time  $t$
- $\Pi(\theta|Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_t = y_t) = \Pi(\theta|\mathbf{Y}_t)$  - 'true' posterior at time  $t$  (though values for  $t' < t$  have been used to approximate the earlier distributions)
- $\hat{\Pi}(\theta|Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_t = y_t) = \hat{\Pi}(\theta|\mathbf{Y}_t)$  - approximate posterior at time  $t$ .

According to Bayes rule:

$$\Pi(\theta|Y_t = y_t, \mathbf{Y}_{t-1}) = \frac{\Pi(Y_t = y_t|\theta)\Pi(\theta|\mathbf{Y}_{t-1})}{\Pi(Y_t = y_t)},$$

so we need to compute each of the quantities on the RHS.

At time  $t$ , we make a measurement  $y_t$  of  $Y_t \sim \text{Ber}(p_t)$  at a Grover depth of  $d_t$  where

$$p_t = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos((4d_t + 2)\hat{\mu}_{t-1})).$$

Thus,

$$\Pi(Y_t = y_t|\theta) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + (-1)^{y_t} \cos((4d_t + 2)\hat{\mu}_{t-1})).$$

For convenience, let  $\tilde{\lambda}_t = 4d_t + 2$  and  $\lambda = 2d + 1 = \frac{1}{2}\tilde{\lambda}$ .

To simplify some of the computations, we're going to assert that the posterior follows a Von-Mises distribution after every update, so we calculate the new values  $\hat{\mu}_t, \hat{\kappa}_t$  and generate our approximate posterior

$$\hat{\Pi}(\theta|\mathbf{Y}_t) \sim VM(\hat{\mu}_t, \hat{\kappa}_t).$$

## 2.2 Single shot updates

For simplicity, we're going to consider the first step of the update, which makes things a lot nicer. In this case, we want to know what the circular mean of the posterior distribution is after updating.

- $\Pi(\theta) \sim VM(\mu, \kappa)$  - prior
- $\Pi(Y|\theta) \sim \text{Ber}(\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\theta)))$

This gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(Y = y) &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \Pi(Y = y|\theta) \Pi(\theta) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} (1 + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\theta)) \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} \left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (-1)^y \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\theta) \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi I_0(\kappa)} \left( 2\pi I_0(\kappa) + (-1)^y \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{i\tilde{\lambda}\theta} + e^{-i\tilde{\lambda}\theta}}{2} \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu) \frac{I_{\tilde{\lambda}}(\kappa)}{I_0(\kappa)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where in the penultimate line, we use the expression for the  $n$ th circular moment. Putting this all together, and letting

$$C(y, \tilde{\lambda}, \mu, \kappa) = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)}}{\frac{1}{2} (1 + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu) \frac{I_{\tilde{\lambda}}(\kappa)}{I_0(\kappa)})} = \frac{1}{2\pi (I_0(\kappa) + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}}(\kappa))}$$

gives

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[e^{i\theta}|Y=y] &= C(y, \tilde{\lambda}, \mu, \kappa) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i\theta} (1 + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\theta)) \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \\
&= C(y, \tilde{\lambda}, \mu, \kappa) \left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i\theta} \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (-1)^y \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i\theta} \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\theta) \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \right) \\
&= C(y, \tilde{\lambda}, \mu, \kappa) \left( 2\pi I_1(\kappa) e^{i\mu} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (-1)^y \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{e^{i\tilde{\lambda}\theta} + e^{-i\tilde{\lambda}\theta}}{2} \right) \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta \right) \\
&= 2\pi C(y, \tilde{\lambda}, \mu, \kappa) \left( I_1(\kappa) e^{i\mu} + \frac{(-1)^y}{2} \left( I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1}(\kappa) e^{i(\tilde{\lambda}+1)\mu} + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}(\kappa) e^{-i(\tilde{\lambda}-1)\mu} \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

where in the penultimate line, we use the fact that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{in\theta} \exp(\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)) d\theta = 2\pi I_0(\kappa) \mathbb{E}[e^{in\theta}] = I_{|n|}(\kappa) e^{in\mu}.$$

This gives us that

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{i\theta}|Y=y] = \frac{I_1(\kappa) e^{i\mu} + \frac{(-1)^y}{2} \left( I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1}(\kappa) e^{i(\tilde{\lambda}+1)\mu} + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}(\kappa) e^{-i(\tilde{\lambda}-1)\mu} \right)}{I_0(\kappa) + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}}(\kappa)}.$$

If we then take expectations over  $Y$  (i.e. multiply by  $\Pi(Y=y)$  and sum) this gives us

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{i\theta}] = \frac{I_1(\kappa)}{I_0(\kappa)} e^{i\mu}.$$

So, we can infer that we do not expect the angular parameter  $\mu$  to move. To infer something about  $\kappa$ , we need to consider  $\mathbb{E}[R]$ . As before, let's consider  $\mathbb{E}[R|Y=y]$ . From the above, we can deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[R|Y=y]^2 &= \frac{\left( I_1 + \frac{(-1)^y}{2} \left( e^{i\tilde{\lambda}\mu} I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} + e^{-i\tilde{\lambda}\mu} I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1} \right) \right) \left( I_1 + \frac{(-1)^y}{2} \left( e^{-i\tilde{\lambda}\mu} I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} + e^{i\tilde{\lambda}\mu} I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1} \right) \right)}{\left( I_0 + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}} \right)^2} \\
&= \frac{I_1^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left( I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1}^2 + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1} + (-1)^y I_1 (I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}) \cos \tilde{\lambda}\mu}{\left( I_0 + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}} \right)^2} \\
&= \frac{N_y^2}{\left( I_0 + (-1)^y \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}} \right)^2},
\end{aligned}$$

where for brevity, we have suppressed the argument  $\kappa$  for each of the Bessel functions  $I_\nu$ .

Calculating  $\mathbb{E}[R]$  then, is achieved by multiplying by  $\Pi(Y = y)$ , square-rooting, and summing. This results in the sum of the square roots of the numerators multiplied by a constant factor of  $\frac{1}{2I_0(\kappa)}$ , i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[R] &= \frac{N_0 + N_1}{2I_0(\kappa)} \\ q &= \frac{1}{2I_0(\kappa)} \sqrt{I_1^2 + \frac{1}{4} (I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1}^2 + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}^2) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1} + I_1 (I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}) \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu)} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2I_0(\kappa)} \sqrt{I_1^2 + \frac{1}{4} (I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1}^2 + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}^2) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\tilde{\lambda}\mu) I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1} - I_1 (I_{\tilde{\lambda}+1} + I_{\tilde{\lambda}-1}) \cos(\tilde{\lambda}\mu)}\end{aligned}$$

## 2.3 Gaussian case

### 2.3.1 Posterior

Now we're going to assume a different prior and posterior:

- $\Pi(\theta) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  - prior
- $\Pi(Y = y|\theta) \sim \text{Ber}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + (-1)^y \cos(\lambda\theta))$

Bayes rule, again, states that

$$\Pi'(\theta|Y = y) = \frac{\Pi(\theta)\mathcal{L}(y, \theta)}{\Pi(Y = y)}. \quad (2.1)$$

We assume that

$$\Pi(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}, \quad (2.2)$$

we know that

$$\mathcal{L}(y, \theta) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + (-1)^y \cos(\lambda\theta)), \quad (2.3)$$

and by definition

$$\Pi(Y = y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}(y, \theta) \Pi(\theta) d\theta. \quad (2.4)$$

Let us now define the *bias* to be

$$\Lambda(\theta) = 2\mathcal{L}(0, \theta) - 1, \quad (2.5)$$

which gives the likelihood as

$$\mathcal{L}(y, \theta) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + (-1)^y \Lambda(\theta)). \quad (2.6)$$

Recognise that in this case  $\Lambda(\theta) = \cos(\lambda\theta)$ .

Let us define *expected bias*  $b$  and the *chi function*  $\chi$  as

$$b = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \quad (2.7)$$

$$\chi = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\theta - \mu) \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \quad (2.8)$$

Now, putting that in to equation (??) gives

$$\Pi(Y = y) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi(\theta) d\theta + (-1)^y \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \right]. \quad (2.9)$$

The first part equals 1 by normalisation. The second part is the expected bias by definition, i.e.,

$$\Pi(Y = y) = \frac{1}{2} [1 + (-1)^y b]. \quad (2.10)$$

The expected bias  $b$  is given by

$$b = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \quad (2.11)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \cos(\lambda\theta) d\theta, \quad (2.12)$$

which apparently ([?], equation 153 on page 25) is an 'identity' for  $\sigma > 0$  and  $\mu, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$b(\mu, \sigma) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \cos(\lambda\mu). \quad (2.13)$$

Putting this all together gives for the posterior:

$$\Pi'(\theta|Y = y) = \frac{\Pi(\theta) \mathcal{L}(y, \theta)}{\Pi(Y = y)} \quad (2.14)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\frac{\theta-\mu}{\sigma})^2} (1 + (-1)^y \cos(\lambda\theta))}{1 + (-1)^y e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \cos(\lambda\mu)}. \quad (2.15)$$

### 2.3.2 Expected values

Now, we're interested in the following quantities:

- $\mathbb{E}_y(\text{Var}_\theta(\theta|Y))$  - The expected posterior variance
- $\mathcal{V}$  - The variance reduction factor
- $\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = 0), \text{Var}(\theta|Y = 0)$  - Posterior mean and variance when measure  $Y = 0$
- $\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = 1), \text{Var}(\theta|Y = 1)$  - Posterior mean and variance when measure  $Y = 1$



Theorem 12 (together with equation (113)) of [?] states that the *expected posterior variance* is given by

$$\mathbb{E}_y(\text{Var}_\theta(\theta|Y)) = \sigma^2(1 - \sigma^2\mathcal{V}), \quad (2.16)$$

with

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \sum_{y \in \{0,1\}} \frac{I_1(y)^2}{I_0(y)} - \mu^2 \right], \quad (2.17)$$

and with

$$I_k(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^k \mathcal{L}(y, \theta) \Pi(\theta) d\theta \quad (2.18)$$

the  $k$ -th moment of the function  $\mathcal{L}(y, \cdot) \Pi(\cdot)$ .

Now by writing the expected bias  $b$  and chi function  $\chi$ , equations (??) and (??) respectively, in terms of the moments, you can show (equations (132-135) from [?]) that for a two-outcome likelihood function, the variance reduction factor can be written as

$$\mathcal{V} = \begin{cases} \frac{\chi^2}{1-b^2}, & |b| < 1 \\ 0, & |b| = 1. \end{cases} \quad (2.19)$$

The Gaussian prior has a nice property: differentiating the expected bias w.r.t. the prior mean gives the chi function, i.e.

$$\chi(\mu, \sigma) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} b(\mu, \sigma), \quad (2.20)$$

resulting in

$$\chi(\mu, \sigma) = -\lambda e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \sin(\lambda\mu) \quad (2.21)$$

and now the variance reduction factor can be written as

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}(\mu, \sigma) = \frac{\partial_\mu b(\mu, \sigma)^2}{1 - b(\mu, \sigma)^2} \mathbb{1}_{\Lambda \notin \{\pm 1\}}, \quad (2.22)$$

where  $\mathbb{1}_{\Lambda \notin \{\pm 1\}}$  denotes the indicator function which is equal to 1 when  $\Lambda \notin \{\pm 1\}$  and 0 otherwise.

Combining the above, gives, together with equation (??) for the Gaussian prior:

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda^2\sigma^2} \sin^2(\lambda\mu)}{1 - e^{-\lambda^2\sigma^2} \cos^2(\lambda\mu)} \mathbb{1}_{\Lambda \notin \{\pm 1\}}, \quad (2.23)$$

and thereby the expected posterior variance is

$$\mathbb{E}_y(\text{Var}_\theta(\theta|Y)) = \sigma^2(1 - \sigma^2 \frac{\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda^2\sigma^2} \sin^2(\lambda\mu)}{1 - e^{-\lambda^2\sigma^2} \cos^2(\lambda\mu)} \mathbb{1}_{\Lambda \notin \{\pm 1\}}). \quad (2.24)$$

The next quantities of interest are  $\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = y)$  and  $\text{Var}(\theta|Y = y)$  for  $y \in \{0, 1\}$ . By definition:

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi'(\theta|Y = y) d\theta, \quad (2.25)$$

and

$$\text{Var}(\theta|Y = y) = \mathbb{E}(\theta^2|Y = y) - (\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = y))^2, \quad (2.26)$$

with

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta^2|Y = y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 \Pi'(\theta|Y = y) d\theta. \quad (2.27)$$

Starting with  $\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = y)$ , we write

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = y) = \frac{1}{\Pi(Y = y)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi(\theta) \mathcal{L}(y, \theta) d\theta \quad (2.28)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Pi(Y = y)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi(\theta) \left( \frac{1}{2} (1 + (-1)^y \cos(\lambda \theta)) \right) d\theta \quad (2.29)$$

$$= \frac{1/2}{\Pi(Y = y)} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi(\theta) d\theta + (-1)^y \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \right) \quad (2.30)$$

$$= \frac{1/2}{\Pi(Y = y)} \left( \mu + (-1)^y \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \right). \quad (2.31)$$

Now by equation (??),

$$\chi = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta - \mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \right), \quad (2.32)$$

and by using the definition for  $b$  (equation (??)):

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta = \sigma^2 \chi + \mu b, \quad (2.33)$$

which gives:

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = y) = \frac{1/2(\mu + (-1)^y(\sigma^2 \chi + \mu b))}{\Pi(Y = y)} \quad (2.34)$$

$$= \frac{\mu + (-1)^y(\sigma^2 \chi + \mu b)}{1 + (-1)^y b} \quad (2.35)$$

$$(2.36)$$

and with equations (??) and (??) gives:

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta|Y = y) = \frac{\mu + (-1)^y e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 \sigma^2} (\mu \cos(\lambda \mu) - \sigma^2 \lambda \sin(\lambda \mu))}{1 + (-1)^y e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 \sigma^2} \cos(\lambda \mu)}. \quad (2.37)$$

Now for the posterior variance  $\text{Var}(\theta|Y = y)$ , we only need  $\mathbb{E}(\theta^2|Y = y)$ ,

which is

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta^2|Y=y) = \frac{1}{\Pi(Y=y)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 \Pi(\theta) \mathcal{L}(y, \theta) d\theta \quad (2.38)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Pi(Y=y)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 \Pi(\theta) \left( \frac{1}{2} (1 + (-1)^y \cos(\lambda\theta)) \right) d\theta \quad (2.39)$$

$$= \frac{1/2}{\Pi(Y=y)} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 \Pi(\theta) d\theta + (-1)^y \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta \right), \quad (2.40)$$

and using

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 \Pi(\theta) d\theta = \sigma^2 + \mu^2, \quad (2.41)$$

this gives

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta^2|Y=y) = \frac{1/2}{\Pi(Y=y)} \left( \sigma^2 + \mu^2 + (-1)^y \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 \Pi(\theta) \Lambda(\theta) d\theta}_{\star} \right). \quad (2.42)$$

Let us focus on the last integral, which we define as  $\star$ :

$$\star = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 e^{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \cos(\lambda\theta) d\theta, \quad (2.43)$$

which can be written as

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 e^{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \left( e^{i\lambda\theta} + e^{-i\lambda\theta} \right) d\theta, \quad (2.44)$$

and that breaks up the problem in two problems:

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \left( \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 e^{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} e^{i\lambda\theta} d\theta}_{A_0} + \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 e^{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} e^{-i\lambda\theta} d\theta}_{B_0} \right) \quad (2.45)$$

Here,  $A_0$  and  $B_0$  are very similar, except for the sign of the complex part.

Let us simplify the exponent. The full exponent for  $A_0$  is

$$-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} + i\lambda\theta \quad (2.46)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\sigma^2} (\theta^2 - 2\theta\mu + \mu^2 - 2i\lambda\theta\sigma^2) \quad (2.47)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\sigma^2} (\theta^2 - 2(\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2)\theta + \mu^2) \quad (2.48)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\sigma^2} ((\theta - (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2))^2 - (\mu^2 + 2\mu i\lambda\sigma^2 - \lambda^2\sigma^4) + \mu^2) \quad (2.49)$$

$$= -\frac{(\theta - (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2))^2}{2\sigma^2} + \lambda\mu i - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2 \quad (2.50)$$

where in the penultimate line, we completed the square. Analogously, for  $B_0$  the exponent is

$$-\frac{(\theta - (\mu - i\lambda\sigma^2))^2}{2\sigma^2} - \lambda\mu i - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2. \quad (2.51)$$

In totally,  $\star$  now becomes

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \left( e^{\lambda\mu i} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 e^{-\frac{(\theta - (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2))^2}{2\sigma^2}} d\theta}_{A_1} + e^{-\lambda\mu i} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 e^{-\frac{(\theta - (\mu - i\lambda\sigma^2))^2}{2\sigma^2}} d\theta}_{B_1} \right). \quad (2.52)$$

We can solve  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  by using substitution:

$$u = \theta - (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2) \quad v = \theta - (\mu - i\lambda\sigma^2) \quad (2.53)$$

$$du = d\theta \quad dv = d\theta \quad (2.54)$$

$$\theta^2 = u^2 + 2u(\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2) + (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2)^2 \quad \theta^2 = v^2 + 2v(\mu - i\lambda\sigma^2) + (\mu - i\lambda\sigma^2)^2 \quad (2.55)$$

Now  $A_1$  is

$$A_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^2 e^{-\frac{(\theta - (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2))^2}{2\sigma^2}} d\theta \quad (2.56)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (u^2 + 2u(\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2) + (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2)^2) e^{-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}} du \quad (2.57)$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u^2 e^{-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}} du}_{=\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^6} + 2(\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2) \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u e^{-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}} du}_{=0} + (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2)^2 \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}} du}_{=\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2} \quad (2.58)$$

$$= \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^6 + (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2)^2 \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2 \quad (2.59)$$

$$= \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2(\sigma^2 + (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2)^2) \quad (2.60)$$

and for  $B_1$

$$B_1 = \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2(\sigma^2 + (\mu - i\lambda\sigma^2)^2). \quad (2.61)$$

The prefactor  $\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2$  cancels with the prefactor in  $\star$  to give

$$\star = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \left( e^{\lambda\mu i} (\sigma^2 + (\mu + i\lambda\sigma^2)^2) + e^{-\lambda\mu i} (\sigma^2 + (\mu - i\lambda\sigma^2)^2) \right). \quad (2.62)$$

We can do some accounting to arrive at the final form:

$$\star = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \left( e^{\lambda\mu i} (\sigma^2 + \mu^2 - \lambda^2\sigma^4 + 2\mu i\lambda\sigma^2) + e^{-\lambda\mu i} (\sigma^2 + \mu^2 - \lambda^2\sigma^4 - 2\mu i\lambda\sigma^2) \right) \quad (2.63)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \left( (\sigma^2 + \mu^2 - \lambda^2\sigma^4) \underbrace{(e^{\lambda\mu i} + e^{-\lambda\mu i})}_{=2 \cos \lambda\mu} + 2\lambda\mu\sigma^2 \underbrace{(ie^{\lambda\mu i} - ie^{-\lambda\mu i})}_{=2 \sin \lambda\mu} \right) \quad (2.64)$$

$$= \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \left( \left(1 + \frac{\mu^2}{\sigma^2} - \lambda^2\sigma^2\right) \cos \lambda\mu + 2\lambda\mu \sin \lambda\mu \right). \quad (2.65)$$

And with equation (??) and (??), we can also write it as

$$\star = \sigma^2 \left( \left(1 + \frac{\mu^2}{\sigma^2} - \lambda^2\sigma^2\right) b - 2\mu\chi \right) \quad (2.66)$$

Plugging this back in equation (??) gives for the second moment,

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta^2|Y=y) = \frac{\sigma^2 + \mu^2 + (-1)^y \sigma^2 \left( \left(1 + \frac{\mu^2}{\sigma^2} - \lambda^2\sigma^2\right) b - 2\mu\chi \right)}{1 + (-1)^y b}, \quad (2.67)$$

or when fully expanded:

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta^2|Y=y) = \frac{\sigma^2 + \mu^2 + (-1)^y \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \left( \left(1 + \frac{\mu^2}{\sigma^2} - \lambda^2\sigma^2\right) \cos \lambda\mu + 2\lambda\mu \sin \lambda\mu \right)}{1 + (-1)^y e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\sigma^2} \cos(\lambda\mu)}. \quad (2.68)$$

# Appendix A

## Integrals

### A.1 Normal Distribution

First, let us note that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{-x^2}) = -2xe^{-x^2}.$$

The integrals we are interested in computing, are either of the form

$$I_{2n}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^{2n} \cos(k\theta) e^{-\theta^2} d\theta \text{ or } I_{2n+1} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^{2n+1} \sin(k\theta) e^{-\theta^2} d\theta$$

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