

How to derive (8.27)

Suppose that  $z \sim N(H\beta, \sigma^2 I)$ ,  
 $\beta \sim N(0, \Gamma \Sigma)$ .

Then the prior is:

$$\pi(\beta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Gamma \Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \beta^T (\Gamma \Sigma)^{-1} \beta \right\},$$

and the log-likelihood is:

$$f(z|\beta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |\sigma^2 I|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (z - H\beta)^T (z - H\beta) \right\}.$$

Therefore, the posterior is:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\beta|z) &= \frac{f(z|\beta) \pi(\beta)}{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(z|\beta) \pi(\beta) d\beta} \\ &= \frac{\text{Const} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \beta^T (\Gamma \Sigma)^{-1} \beta - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (z - H\beta)^T (z - H\beta) \right\}}{m(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} N^* &= \beta^T (\Gamma \Sigma)^{-1} \beta + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (z - H\beta)^T (z - H\beta) \\ &= \beta^T (\Gamma \Sigma)^{-1} \beta + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\beta^T H^T H \beta - 2 \beta^T H^T z + z^T z) \\ &= \beta^T \left[ (\Gamma \Sigma)^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} H^T H \right] \beta - \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \beta^T H^T z + \frac{z^T z}{\sigma^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $A = (\Gamma \Sigma)^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} H^T H$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} N^* &= \beta^T A \beta - \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \beta^T H^T z + \frac{z^T z}{\sigma^2} \\ &= \left( \beta^T - \frac{z^T H}{\sigma^2} A^{-1} \right) A \left( \beta - A^{-1} \frac{H^T z}{\sigma^2} \right) + \text{Const} \end{aligned}$$

NOT a function of  $\beta$

By normalizing  $\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} N \right\}$ , we have

$$\pi(\beta|z) \sim N \left( A^{-1} \frac{H^T z}{\sigma^2}, A^{-1} \right),$$

where  $A^{-1} \frac{H^T z}{\sigma^2} = \left( H^T H + \frac{\sigma^2}{\Gamma} \Sigma \right)^{-1} H^T z$ ,

and  $A^{-1} = \left( H^T H + \frac{\sigma^2}{\Gamma} \Sigma^{-1} \right)^{-1} \sigma^2$ . □.