

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\mathbf{w}|X, \mathbf{y}) &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_n^2}(\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w})^\top (\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w})\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^\top \Sigma_p^{-1} \mathbf{w}\right) \\
 &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{w} - \bar{\mathbf{w}})^\top \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} X X^\top + \Sigma_p^{-1}\right) (\mathbf{w} - \bar{\mathbf{w}})\right), \quad (2.7)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P\{\mathbf{w}|X, \mathbf{y}\} &= P(\mathbf{y}|X, \mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{w}) / p(\mathbf{y}|X) \\
 &\propto P(\mathbf{y}|X, \mathbf{w}) \cdot p(\mathbf{w})
 \end{aligned}$$

since $\mathbf{y} = X^\top \mathbf{w} + \varepsilon$ with $\varepsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_n^2)$

$$\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(X^\top \mathbf{w}, \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{w} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_p)$$

\Rightarrow

$$P(\mathbf{y}|X, \mathbf{w}) \propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_n^2}(\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w})^\top (\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w})\right\}$$

$$p(\mathbf{w}) \propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^\top \Sigma_p^{-1} \mathbf{w}\right\}.$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\mathbf{w}|X, \mathbf{y}) \propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_n^2}(\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w})^\top (\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w})\right\} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^\top \Sigma_p^{-1} \mathbf{w}\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_n^2} \left[(\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w})^\top (\mathbf{y} - X^\top \mathbf{w}) + \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{w}^\top \Sigma_p^{-1} \mathbf{w}\right]\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{w} - \hat{\mathbf{w}})^\top \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} X X^\top + \Sigma_p^{-1}\right) (\mathbf{w} - \hat{\mathbf{w}})\right\}$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} X X^\top + \Sigma_p^{-1} \right)^{-1} X \mathbf{y}$

$$p(\mathbf{w}|X, \mathbf{y}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\mathbf{w}} = \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} A^{-1} X \mathbf{y}, A^{-1}), \quad (2.8)$$

Since $p(\mathbf{w}|X, \mathbf{y}) \propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{w} - \hat{\mathbf{w}})^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \hat{\mathbf{w}})\right\}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{w}|X, \mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\hat{\mathbf{w}}, \Sigma)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{s.t. } \hat{\mathbf{w}} &= \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} X X^\top + \Sigma_p^{-1} \right)^{-1} X \mathbf{y} \\
 \Sigma &= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} X X^\top + \Sigma_p^{-1} \right)^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

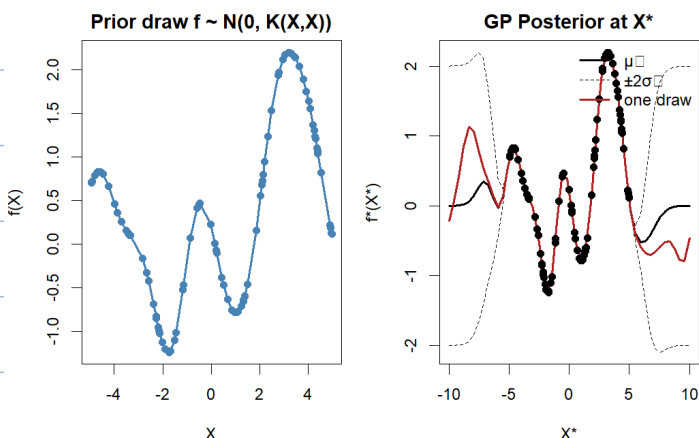
$$\begin{aligned}
 p(f_* | \mathbf{x}_*, X, \mathbf{y}) &= \int p(f_* | \mathbf{x}_*, \mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{w} | X, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{w} = \int \mathbf{x}_*^\top \mathbf{w} p(\mathbf{w} | X, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{w} \\
 &= \mathcal{N}\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \mathbf{x}_*^\top A^{-1} X \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_*^\top A^{-1} \mathbf{x}_*\right). \quad (2.9)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(f_* | \mathbf{x}_*, X, \mathbf{y}) &= \int p(f_* | \mathbf{x}_*, \mathbf{w}, X, \mathbf{y}) \cdot p(\mathbf{w} | X, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{w} \\
 &\propto \int \mathbf{x}_*^\top \mathbf{w} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{w} - \hat{\mathbf{w}})^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \hat{\mathbf{w}})\right) d\mathbf{w} \\
 &\quad \text{correspond to } \mathbf{x}_*^\top \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{w} | X, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x}_*^\top \hat{\mathbf{w}} \\
 \{f_* | \mathbf{x}_*, X, \mathbf{y}\} &\text{ is a normal distribution of } p(\mathbf{w} | X, \mathbf{y}) \\
 &\quad \text{scaled by } \mathbf{x}_* \\
 &\Rightarrow \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_*^\top \hat{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{x}_*^\top \Sigma \mathbf{x}_*)
 \end{aligned}$$

1. Replicate the generation of random functions from Figure 2.2. Use a regular (or random) grid of scalar inputs and the covariance function from eq. (2.16). Hints on how to generate random samples from multi-variate Gaussian distributions are given in section A.2. Invent some training data points, and make random draws from the resulting GP posterior using eq. (2.19).

$$\text{cov}(f(\mathbf{x}_p), f(\mathbf{x}_q)) = k(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{x}_p - \mathbf{x}_q|^2\right). \quad (2.16)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{f}_* | X_*, X, \mathbf{f} &\sim \mathcal{N}(K(X_*, X) K(X, X)^{-1} \mathbf{f}, \\
 &\quad K(X_*, X_*) - K(X_*, X) K(X, X)^{-1} K(X, X_*)). \quad (2.19)
 \end{aligned}$$



The left plot is a function drawn from Gaussian process given X as training data.

The right plot is the GP posterior using (2.19) given X^* .