

Param  $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma^2)$        $\pi(X) = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(X-\mu)^2}{\Sigma^2}\right)}{\sqrt{2\pi} \Sigma}$

$N$  measurements  $\{x_i\}$  iid Gaussian errors

$$\mathcal{L}(\{x_i\} | X) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x_i - X)^2}{\sigma^2}\right)}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma}$$

Bayes'  $\Rightarrow P(X | \{x_i\}) = \frac{1}{Z} \mathcal{L}(\{x_i\} | X) \pi(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X | \{x_i\}) &= Z^{-1} (2\pi)^{-\frac{N+1}{2}} \sigma^{-N} \Sigma^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\Sigma(X-x_i)^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{(X-\mu)^2}{\Sigma^2} \right]\right) \\ &= Z^{-1} (2\pi)^{-\frac{N+1}{2}} \sigma^{-N} \Sigma^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{N\Sigma^2 + \sigma^2}{\sigma^2 \Sigma^2} X^2 - 2X \left( \frac{\Sigma x_i}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu}{\Sigma} \right) + \left( \frac{\Sigma x_i^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu^2}{\Sigma^2} \right) \right]\right) \\ &= Z^{-1} (2\pi)^{-\frac{N+1}{2}} \sigma^{-N} \Sigma^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{N\Sigma^2 + \sigma^2}{\sigma^2 \Sigma^2} \left[ X^2 - 2X \frac{\Sigma^2 \Sigma x_i + \mu \sigma^2}{N\Sigma^2 + \sigma^2} + \frac{\Sigma^2 \Sigma x_i^2 + \sigma^2 \mu^2}{N\Sigma^2 + \sigma^2} \right]\right) \\ &= Z^{-1} (2\pi)^{-\frac{N+1}{2}} \sigma^{-N} \Sigma^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(X-\mu')^2}{\Sigma'^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\mu'^2}{\Sigma'^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\mu^2}{\Sigma^2} - \frac{\Sigma x_i^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mu' = \frac{\Sigma^2 \Sigma x_i + \mu \sigma^2}{N\Sigma^2 + \sigma^2}$  and  $\Sigma'^2 = \frac{\sigma^2 \Sigma^2}{N\Sigma^2 + \sigma^2}$ . [3] [4]

But, we recognise this as a Gaussian PDF. Therefore, we have

$$P(X | \{x_i\}) = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(X-\mu')^2}{\Sigma'^2}\right)}{\sqrt{2\pi} \Sigma'} \quad [2]$$

We have two expressions for the posterior. Comparing [1] & [2] gives

$$Z = (2\pi)^{\frac{N+1}{2}} \sigma^{-N} \frac{\Sigma'}{\Sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\mu^2}{\Sigma^2} - \frac{\mu'^2}{\Sigma'^2} + \frac{\Sigma x_i^2}{\sigma^2} \right]\right)$$

where  $\mu'$  and  $\Sigma'$  are functions of  $\mu, \Sigma, N, \sigma$  and  $\{x_i\}$ , given above in equations [3] and [4].