

3.13 The predictive distribution is given by 3.57 (here we integrate over two parameters since both are unknown and have priors associated with them):

$$p(t|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \int_{\mathbf{w}} \int_{\beta} p(t|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) p(\mathbf{w}, \beta|\mathbf{t}) d\mathbf{w} d\beta$$

Here, $p(t|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \mathcal{N}(t|\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}), \beta^{-1})$,

and from the result of exercise 3.12, $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_N, \beta^{-1} \mathbf{S}_N) \text{Gam}(\beta|a_N, b_N)$.

$$\implies p(t|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \int_{\mathbf{w}} \int_{\beta} \mathcal{N}(t|\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}), \beta^{-1}) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_N, \beta^{-1} \mathbf{S}_N) \text{Gam}(\beta|a_N, b_N) d\mathbf{w} d\beta$$

The product of the two Gaussians gives a constant multiplied by a posterior, which can be calculated using 2.116:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbf{w}} \mathcal{N}(t|\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}), \beta^{-1}) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_N, \beta^{-1} \mathbf{S}_N) \\ &= \mathcal{N}(t|\phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N, \beta^{-1} + \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \beta^{-1} \mathbf{S}_N \phi(\mathbf{x})) \\ &= \mathcal{N}(t|\phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N, \beta^{-1}(1 + \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{S}_N \phi(\mathbf{x}))) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting this back into the integral, we get:

$$= \int_{\beta} \mathcal{N}(t|\phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N, \beta^{-1}(1 + \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{S}_N \phi(\mathbf{x}))) \text{Gam}(\beta|a_N, b_N) d\beta$$

Let $s = (1 + \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{S}_N \phi(\mathbf{x}))$. This gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_{\beta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta^{-1}s}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(t - \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N)^2}{2\beta^{-1}s}\right\} \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_N)} b_N^{a_N} \beta^{a_N-1} \exp(-b_N\beta) d\beta \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_N)} b_N^{a_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi s}} \int_{\beta} \beta^{(a_N-1+1/2)} \exp\left\{-\beta\left(b_N + \frac{(t - \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N)^2}{2s}\right)\right\} d\beta \end{aligned}$$

Let $c = \left(b_N + \frac{(t - \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N)^2}{2s}\right)$. This gives:

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_N)} b_N^{a_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi s}} \frac{1}{c^{(a_N+1/2)}} \int_{\beta} (c\beta)^{(a_N-1+1/2)} \exp\{-\beta c\} d(c\beta)$$

Using 1.141 to evaluate this integral, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_N)} b_N^{a_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi s}} \frac{1}{c^{(a_N+1/2)}} \Gamma(a_N + 1/2) \\ &= \frac{b_N^{a_N}}{\Gamma(a_N)} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{s}\right)^{1/2} \left[b_N + \frac{(t - \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N)^2}{2s}\right]^{-a_N-1/2} \Gamma(a_N + 1/2) \\ &= \frac{b_N^{a_N}}{\Gamma(a_N)} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{s}\right)^{1/2} s^{a_N+1/2} \left[sb_N + \frac{(t - \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N)^2}{2}\right]^{-a_N-1/2} \Gamma(a_N + 1/2) \\ &= \frac{b_N^{a_N}}{\Gamma(a_N)} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} s^{a_N} \left[sb_N + \frac{(t - \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N)^2}{2}\right]^{-a_N-1/2} \Gamma(a_N + 1/2) \\ &= \frac{(sb_N)^{a_N}}{\Gamma(a_N)} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \left[sb_N + \frac{(t - \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N)^2}{2}\right]^{-a_N-1/2} \Gamma(a_N + 1/2) \end{aligned}$$

Comparing this to the result in 2.158, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{m}_N \\ a &= a_N \\ b &= sb_N \\ \implies \lambda &= a_N/sb_N = \frac{a_N (1 + \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{S}_N \phi(\mathbf{x}))^{-1}}{b_N} \\ &\implies \nu = 2a_N \end{aligned}$$