**3.7** The posterior distribution is given by:

$$p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{t}) \propto p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) * p(\mathbf{w})$$

From 3.10, and 3.48, this becomes:

$$= \left(\prod_{n=1}^{N} \mathcal{N}\left(t_{n}|\mathbf{w}^{T}\phi(\mathbf{x}_{n}), \beta^{-1}\right)\right) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_{0}, \mathbf{S}_{0})$$

$$= \left(\prod_{n=1}^{N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta^{-1}}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2}(t_{n} - \mathbf{w}^{T}\phi(\mathbf{x}_{n}))^{2}\right\}\right) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_{0}, \mathbf{S}_{0})$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{(2\pi\beta^{-1})^{(N/2)}} \exp\left\{\sum_{n=1}^{N} -\frac{\beta}{2}(t_{n} - \mathbf{w}^{T}\phi(\mathbf{x}_{n}))^{2}\right\}\right) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_{0}, \mathbf{S}_{0})$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{(2\pi\beta^{-1})^{(N/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2}\sum_{n=1}^{N}(t_{n} - \mathbf{w}^{T}\phi(\mathbf{x}_{n}))^{2}\right\}\right) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_{0}, \mathbf{S}_{0})$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{(2\pi\beta^{-1})^{(N/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2}\sum_{n=1}^{N}(t_{n} - \mathbf{w}^{T}\phi(\mathbf{x}_{n}))^{2}\right\}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2}|\mathbf{S}_{0}|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2}\sum_{n=1}^{N}(t_{n} - \mathbf{w}^{T}\phi(\mathbf{x}_{n}))^{2}\right\}$$

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2}|\mathbf{S}_{0}|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2}\sum_{n=1}^{N}(t_{n} - \mathbf{w}^{T}\phi(\mathbf{x}_{n}))^{2}\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_{0})^{T}\mathbf{S}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_{0})\right\}$$

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (t_n^2 - 2t_n \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_n) + (\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_n))^2)\right\}$$
$$\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_0)^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_0)\right\}$$

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (t_n^2 - 2t_n \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_n) + \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_n) \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)^T \mathbf{w})\right\}$$
$$\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_0)^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_0)\right\}$$

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta}{2} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2 - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{w} \right) \right\}$$
$$\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_0)^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_0) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta}{2} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2 - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{w} \right) \right\}$$
$$\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{w} - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 + \mathbf{m}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 \right) \right\}$$

Rearranging the terms in the exponents, we get:

$$\begin{split} &= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{w}^T (\beta \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} + \mathbf{S}_0^{-1}) \mathbf{w} - 2 \mathbf{w}^T (\beta \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0)\right)\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{m}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 + \beta \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2\right)\right\} \\ &= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{w} - 2 \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N\right)\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{m}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 + \beta \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2\right)\right\} \end{split}$$

Adding and subtracting  $\mathbf{m}_N^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N$  in the exponents,

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{w} - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N + \mathbf{m}_N^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N\right)\right\}$$
$$\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{m}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 - \mathbf{m}_N^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N + \beta \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2\right)\right\}$$

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left((\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_N)^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_N)\right)\right\}$$
$$\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\mathbf{m}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 - \mathbf{m}_N^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N + \beta \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2\right)\right\}$$

Multiplying and dividing the fraction by  $|\mathbf{S}_N|^{(1/2)}$ , we get:

$$= \frac{\beta^{(N/2)} |\mathbf{S}_N|^{(1/2)}}{(2\pi)^{(D+N)/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)} |\mathbf{S}_N|^{(1/2)}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_N)^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_N) \right) \right\}$$

$$\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \mathbf{m}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 - \mathbf{m}_N^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N + \beta \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2 \right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\mathbf{S}_N|^{(1/2)}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_N)^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}_N) \right) \right\}$$
$$\frac{\beta^{(N/2)} |\mathbf{S}_N|^{(1/2)}}{(2\pi)^{N/2} |\mathbf{S}_0|^{(1/2)}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \mathbf{m}_0^T \mathbf{S}_0^{-1} \mathbf{m}_0 - \mathbf{m}_N^T \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} \mathbf{m}_N + \beta \sum_{n=1}^N t_n^2 \right) \right\}$$

$$= c\mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_N, \mathbf{S}_N\right)$$

where c is the constant second term.