

1) **show that students' T is a mixture of infinite gaussians ?**

$$S_t(x|\mu, \sigma, \nu) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right) \cdot \sqrt{\pi\nu\sigma^2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\nu} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}, \text{ is the univariate}$$

student's T distribution with a given 'v' degrees of freedom. Now all that we have to do is to prove that :

$$S_t(x|\mu, \sigma, \nu) = \int_0^\infty N(x|\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{z}) \cdot Ga(z|\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}) dz$$

This can be done using normal integration of the integrand under the limits, so let us first manipulate the integrand into a much more easy to handle form :

$$N(x|\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{z}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{z}}} e^{-\frac{z(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$Ga(z|\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}) = \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} z^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} \cdot e^{-z\frac{\nu}{2}}$$

Using these and a little manipulation the integrand becomes something like this :

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\nu^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right) \cdot 2^{\frac{\nu}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \right) e^{-z\left(\frac{\nu}{2} + \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} z^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} dz$$

(here we can use the formulae for the gamma function for integration over z after making the integrand in a standard form (i.e. $z \rightarrow z \cdot \left(\frac{\nu}{2} + \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)^{\frac{-1}{2}}$) and the final result is a students' T distribution)

$$S_t(x|\mu, \sigma, \nu) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right) \cdot \sqrt{\pi\nu\sigma^2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\nu} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}$$