

## 1 Useful Gaussian Integrals

### 1.1 Simple univariate Gaussian integral

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2} dx \\
 \rightarrow I^2 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2} dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2} dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(x^2+y^2)/2\sigma^2} dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-r^2/2\sigma^2} r dr d\theta = -2\pi\sigma^2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r^2/2\sigma^2} \frac{-r}{\sigma^2} dr = 2\pi\sigma^2 \\
 \Rightarrow I &= \sigma\sqrt{2\pi}
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

This also implies

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2} dx = \sigma\sqrt{2\pi} \tag{2}$$

This can be shown by making the substitution  $x \rightarrow x - \mu$ ; but, intuitively this makes sense, as the area under a Gaussian curve does not depend on where the curve is located.

### 1.2 Product of two univariate Gaussian integrals

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \frac{1}{\sigma_f\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\mu_f)^2}{2\sigma_f^2}\right] \\
 g(x) &= \frac{1}{\sigma_g\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\mu_g)^2}{2\sigma_g^2}\right] \\
 \Rightarrow f(x)g(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_f\sigma_g} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\mu_f)^2}{2\sigma_f^2} - \frac{(x-\mu_g)^2}{2\sigma_g^2}\right] \\
 &\equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_f\sigma_g} \exp[-\beta]
 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta &= \frac{(x-\mu_f)^2}{2\sigma_f^2} + \frac{(x-\mu_g)^2}{2\sigma_g^2} \\
 &= \frac{2\sigma_g^2[x^2 - 2\mu_fx + \mu_f^2] + 2\sigma_f^2[x^2 - 2\mu_gx + \mu_g^2]}{4\sigma_f^2\sigma_g^2} \\
 &= \frac{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)x^2 - 2(\mu_f\sigma_g^2 + \mu_g\sigma_f^2)x + \mu_f^2\sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2\sigma_f^2}{2\sigma_f^2\sigma_g^2} \\
 &= \frac{x^2 - 2\frac{\mu_f\sigma_g^2 + \mu_g\sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}x + \frac{\mu_f^2\sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2\sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}}{2\frac{\sigma_f^2\sigma_g^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Define : } \alpha &\equiv \frac{\mu_f\sigma_g^2 + \mu_g\sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2} \\
 \Rightarrow \beta &= \frac{(x^2 - 2\alpha x + \alpha^2) - \alpha^2 + \frac{\mu_f^2\sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2\sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}}{2\frac{\sigma_f^2\sigma_g^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mu_f^2 \sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2 \sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2} - \alpha^2 &= \frac{\mu_f^2 \sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2 \sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2} - \left( \frac{\mu_f \sigma_g^2 + \mu_g \sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)^2} [(\mu_f^2 \sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2 \sigma_f^2)(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2) - (\mu_f \sigma_g^2 + \mu_g \sigma_f^2)^2] \\
&= \frac{1}{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)^2} [\mu_f^2 \sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2 \sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2 + \mu_f^2 \sigma_g^4 + \mu_g^2 \sigma_f^4 - \dots \\
&\quad - \mu_f^2 \sigma_g^4 - \mu_g^2 \sigma_f^4 - 2\mu_f \mu_g \sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2] \\
&= \frac{\sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2}{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)^2} [\mu_f^2 - 2\mu_f \mu_g + \mu_g^2] \\
&= \frac{\sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2}{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)^2} (\mu_f - \mu_g)^2
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta &= \frac{(x^2 - 2\alpha x + \alpha^2) - \alpha^2 + \frac{\mu_f^2 \sigma_g^2 + \mu_g^2 \sigma_f^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}}{2 \frac{\sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}} \\
&= \frac{(x - \alpha)^2 + \frac{\sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2}{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)^2} (\mu_f - \mu_g)^2}{2 \frac{\sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2}}
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Define : } \gamma^2 &= \frac{\sigma_f^2 \sigma_g^2}{\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2} \\
\beta &= \frac{(x - \alpha)^2}{2\gamma^2} + \frac{(\mu_f - \mu_g)^2}{2(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x)g(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_f\sigma_g} e^{-\beta} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_f\sigma_g} \exp \left[ -\frac{(x - \alpha)^2}{2\gamma^2} \right] \exp \left[ \frac{(\mu_f - \mu_g)^2}{2(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\sigma_f\sigma_g} \gamma \sqrt{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)} \times \frac{1}{\gamma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(x - \alpha)^2}{2\gamma^2} \right] \times \dots \\
&\quad \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)}\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ \frac{(\mu_f - \mu_g)^2}{2(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)} \right] \\
\Rightarrow f(x)g(x) &= \frac{1}{\gamma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(x - \alpha)^2}{2\gamma^2} \right] S_{fg} \\
S_{fg} &= \frac{\gamma\sqrt{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)}}{\sigma_f\sigma_g} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)}\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\mu_f - \mu_g)^2}{2(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\mu_f - \mu_g)^2}{2(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)g(x)dx &= \frac{S_{fg}}{\gamma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\alpha)^2}{2\gamma^2}\right] = S_{fg} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)}} \exp\left[-\frac{(\mu_f - \mu_g)^2}{2(\sigma_f^2 + \sigma_g^2)}\right]
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

### 1.3 Univariate Gaussian with linear term in exponential

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left[-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} + Jx\right] \tag{9}$$

Just as above, the idea is to complete the square

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} - Jx &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [x^2 - 2\sigma^2 Jx + (\sigma^2 J)^2 - (\sigma^2 J)^2] \\
&= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x - \sigma^2 J)^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\sigma^2 J)^2 = \frac{(x - \sigma^2 J)^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{(\sigma J)^2}{2}
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Therefore, I find:

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left[-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} + Jx\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left[\frac{(x - \sigma^2 J)^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{(\sigma J)^2}{2}\right] \\
&= \sigma\sqrt{2\pi} \exp\left[\frac{(\sigma J)^2}{2}\right]
\end{aligned} \tag{11}$$