

Unsupervised Learning with Gaussian Processes

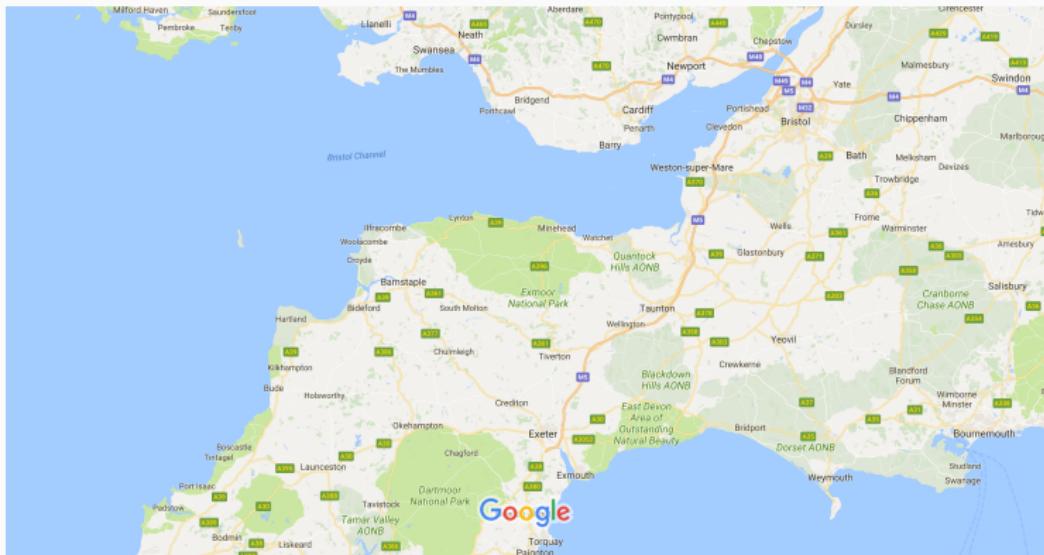
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Introductions

This where I live



This is what I do

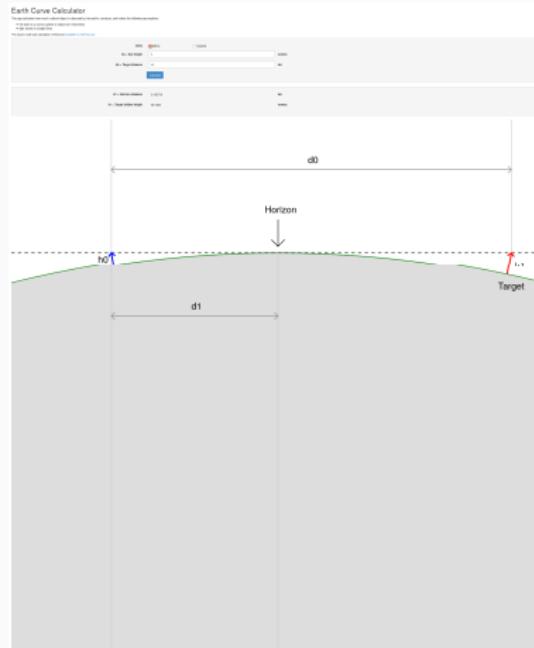










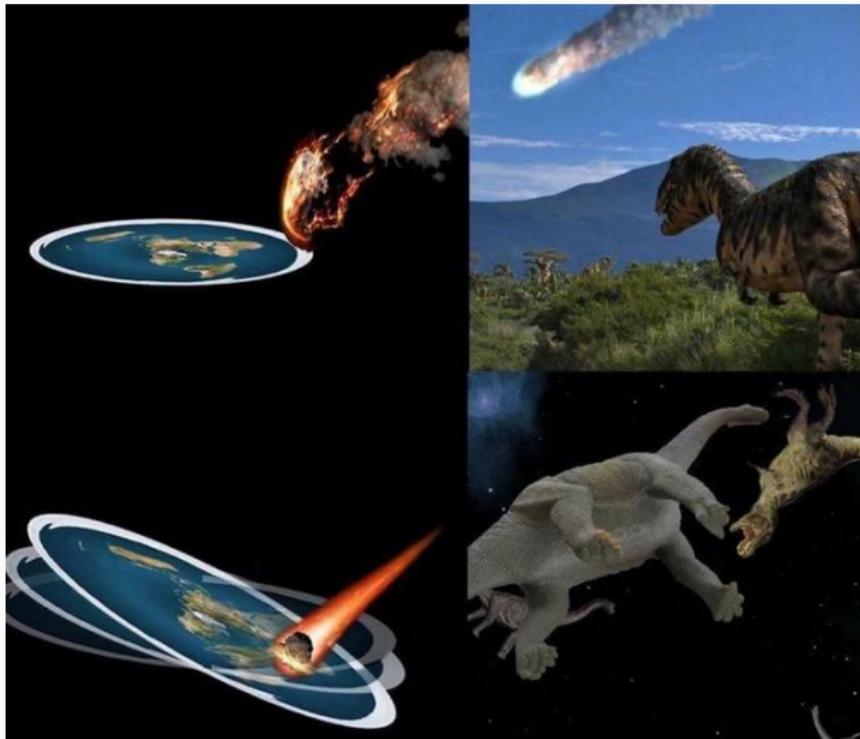


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Learning Theory

- \mathcal{F} space of functions
- \mathcal{A} learning algorithm
- $\mathcal{S} = \{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N)\}$
- $\mathcal{S} \sim P(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$
- $\ell(\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{S}), x, y)$ loss function

Statistical Learning

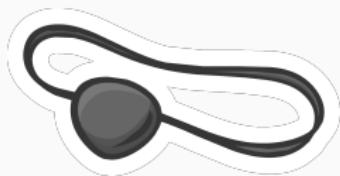
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No Free Lunch

We can come up with a combination of $\{\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{F}\}$ that makes $e(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{F})$ take an arbitrary value

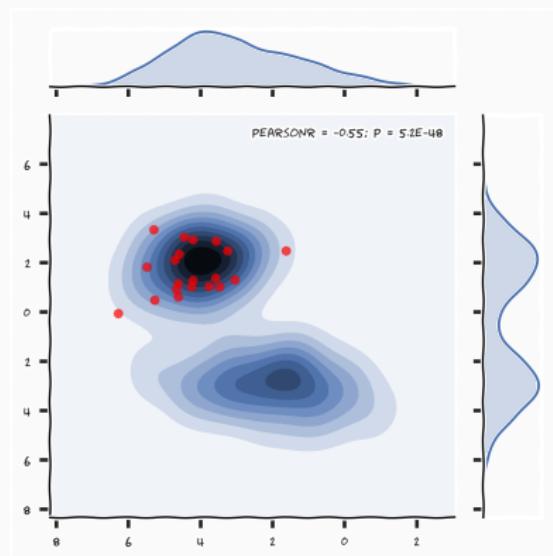
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Statistical Learning

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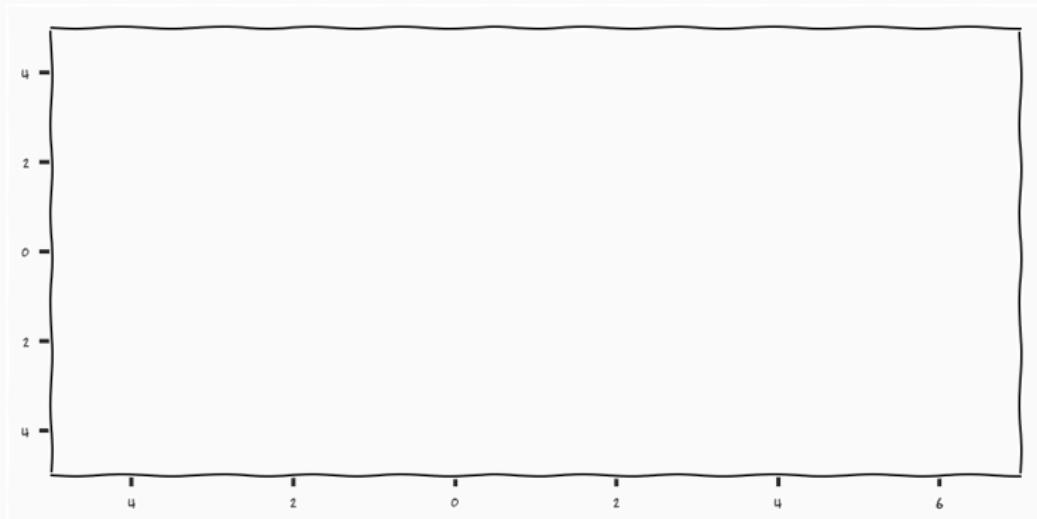
Assumptions: Biased Sample



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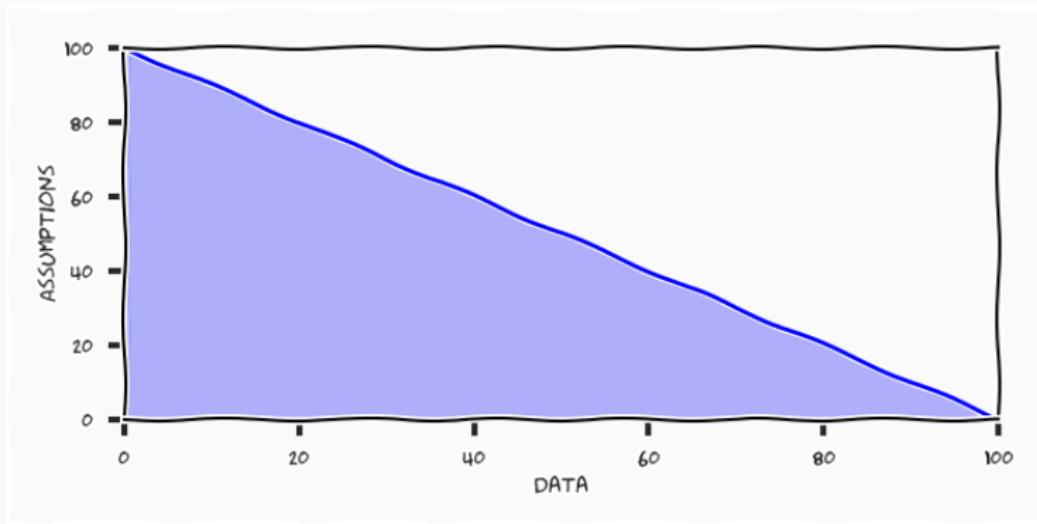
Assumptions: Hypothesis space



Statistical Learning

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Data and Knowledge





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¹The posterior is the student of the prior

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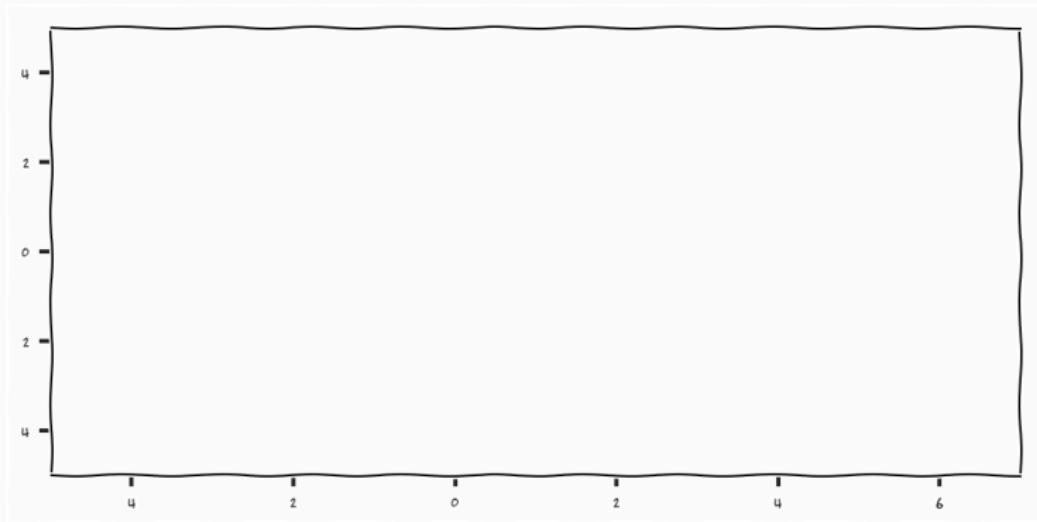


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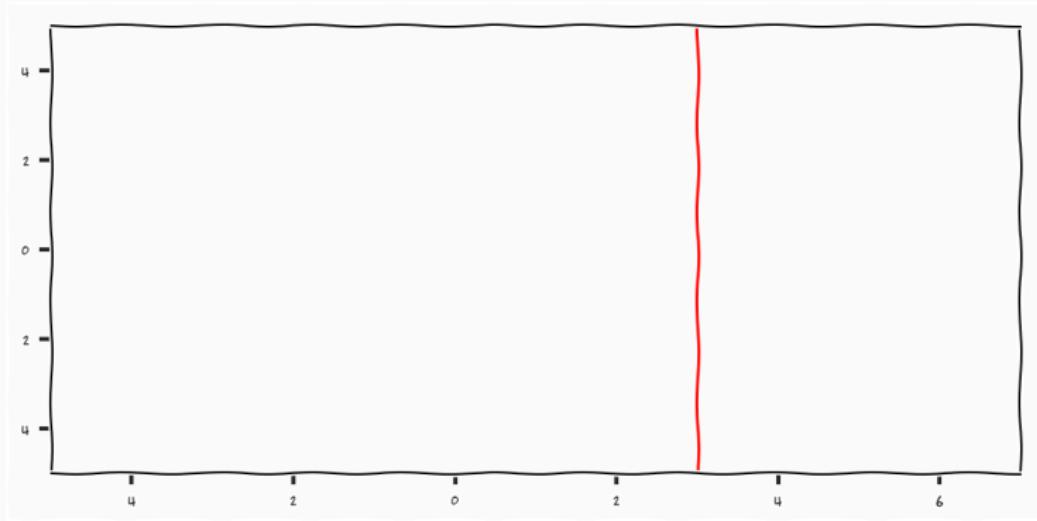
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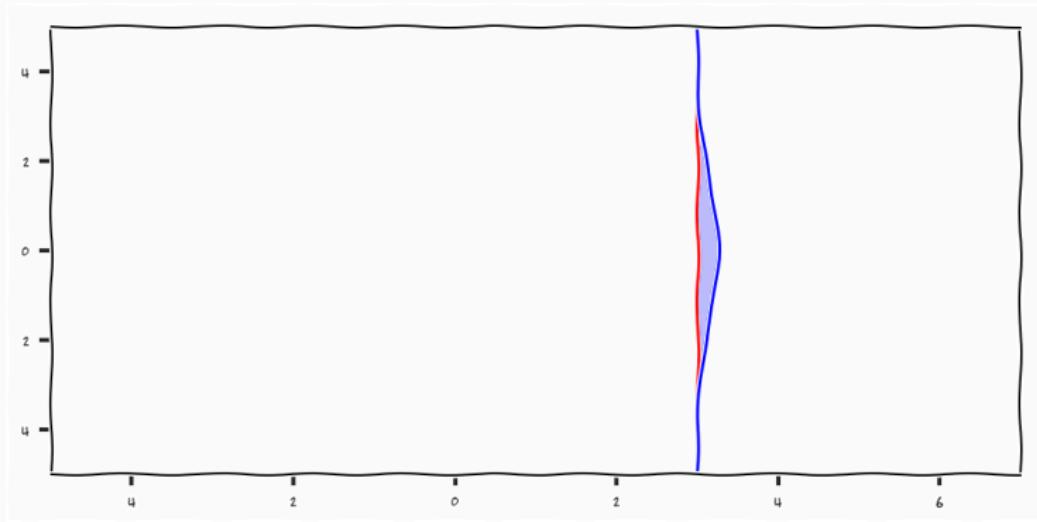
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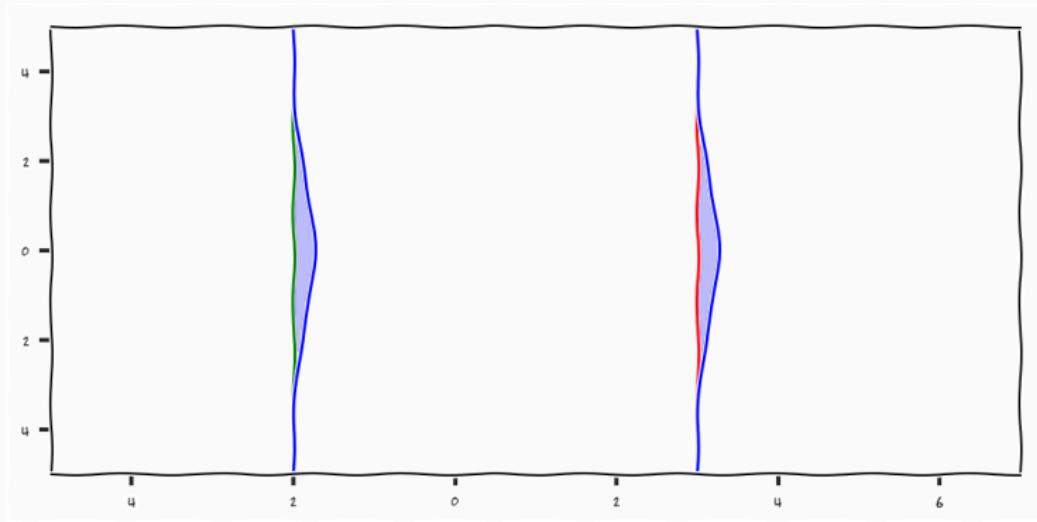
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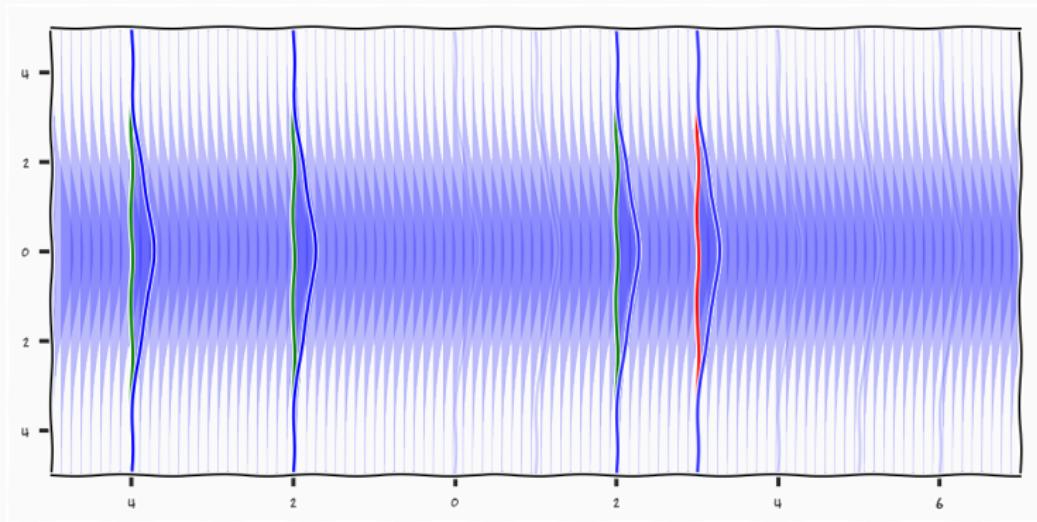
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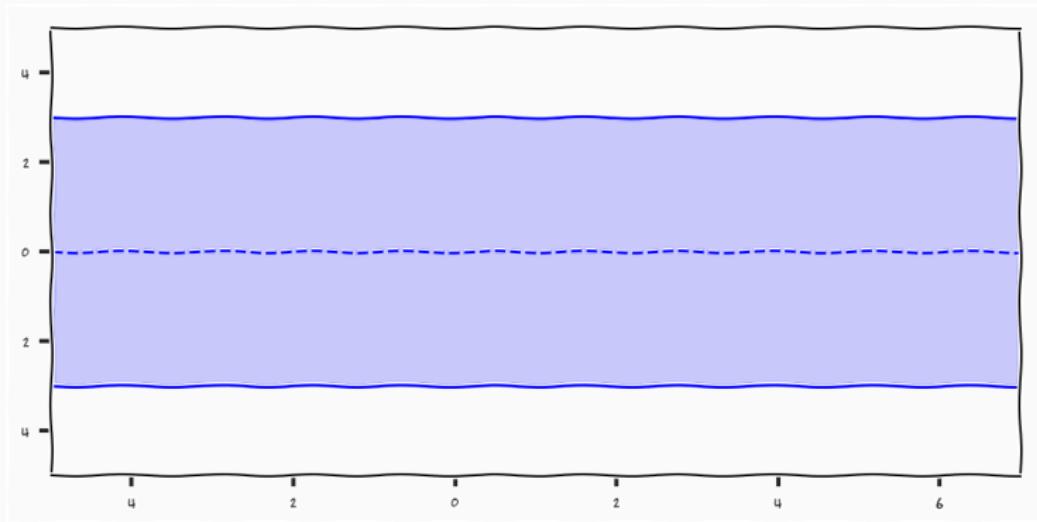
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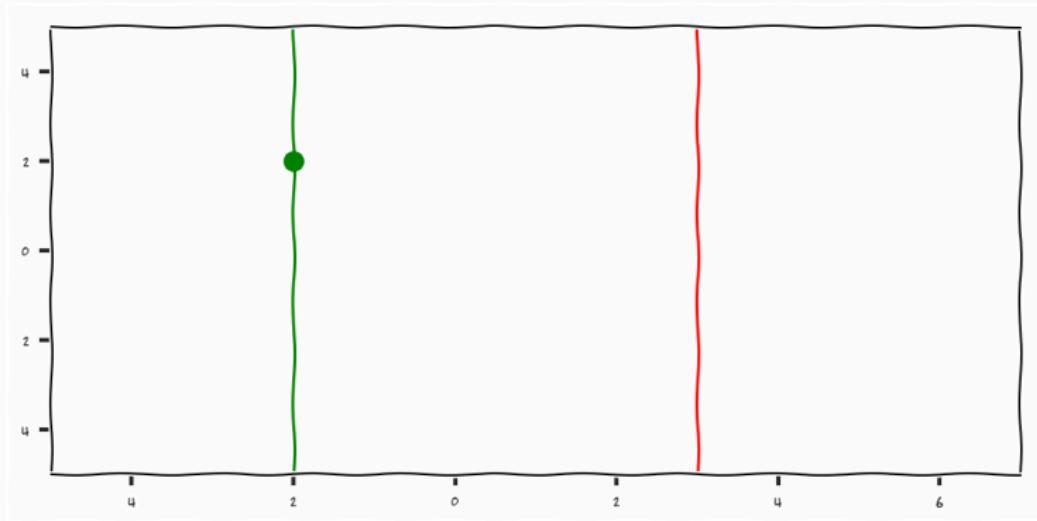
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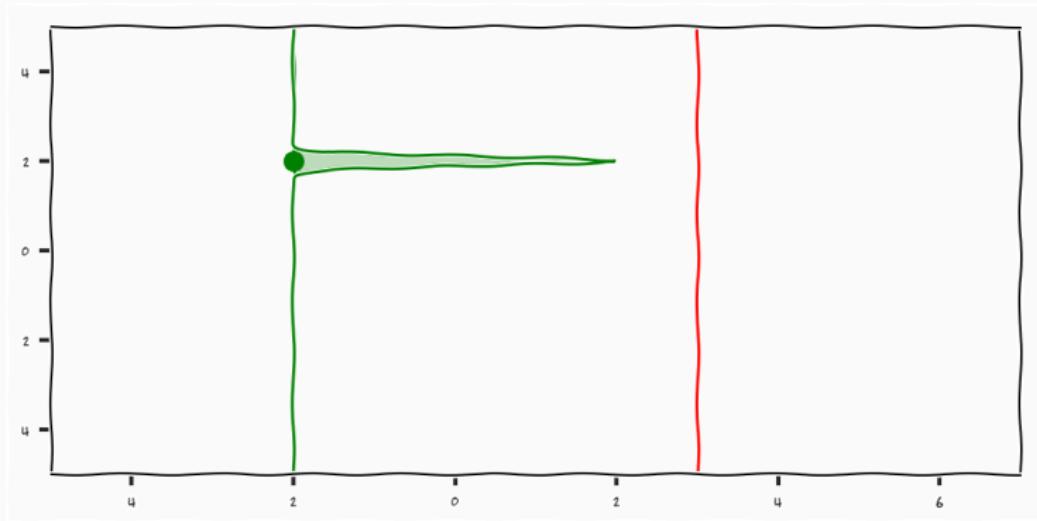
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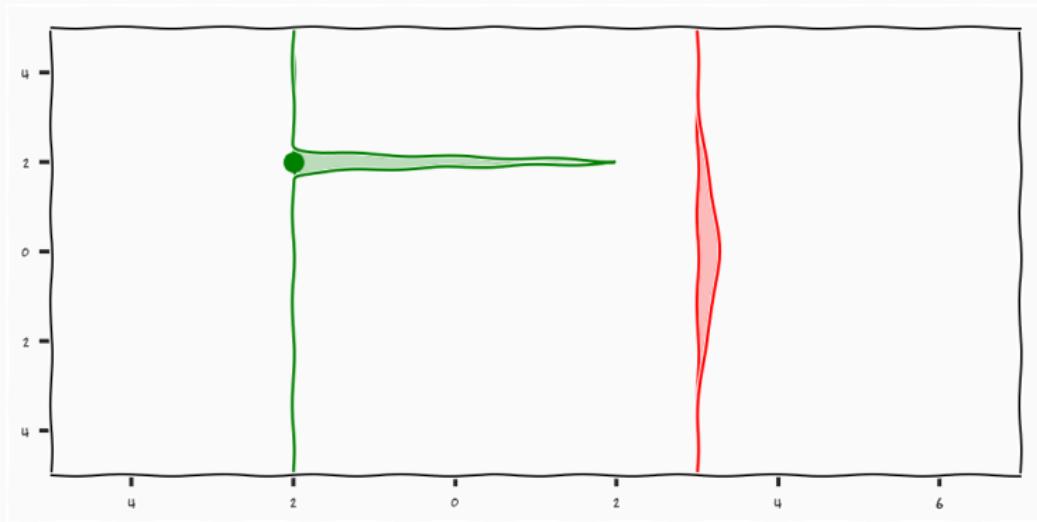
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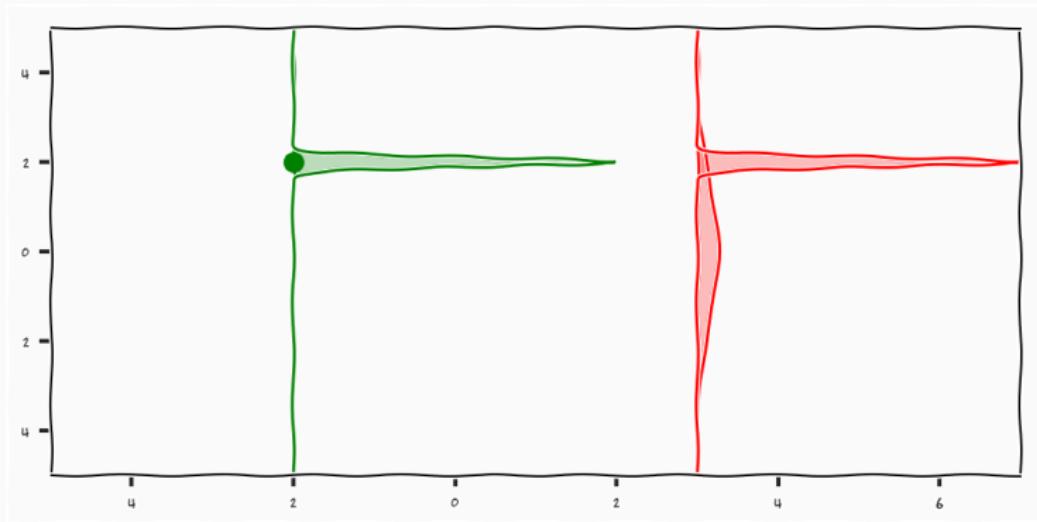
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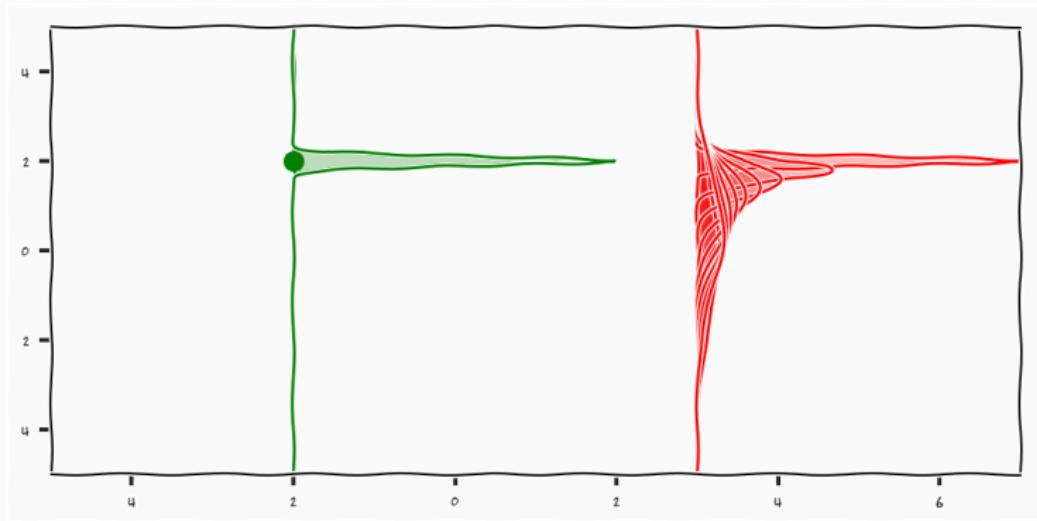
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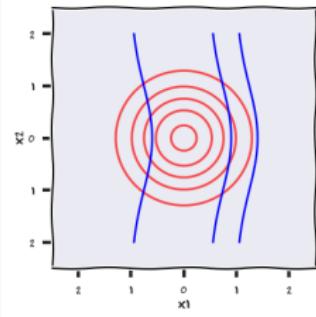
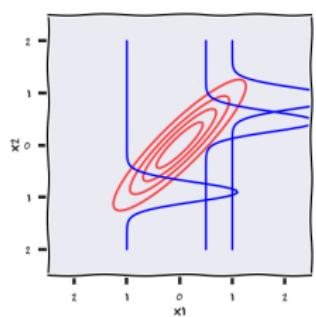
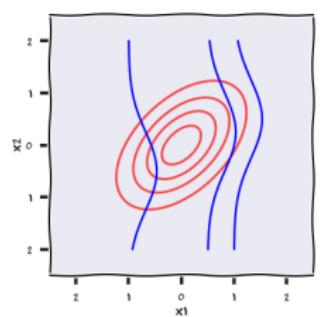
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Conditional Gaussians

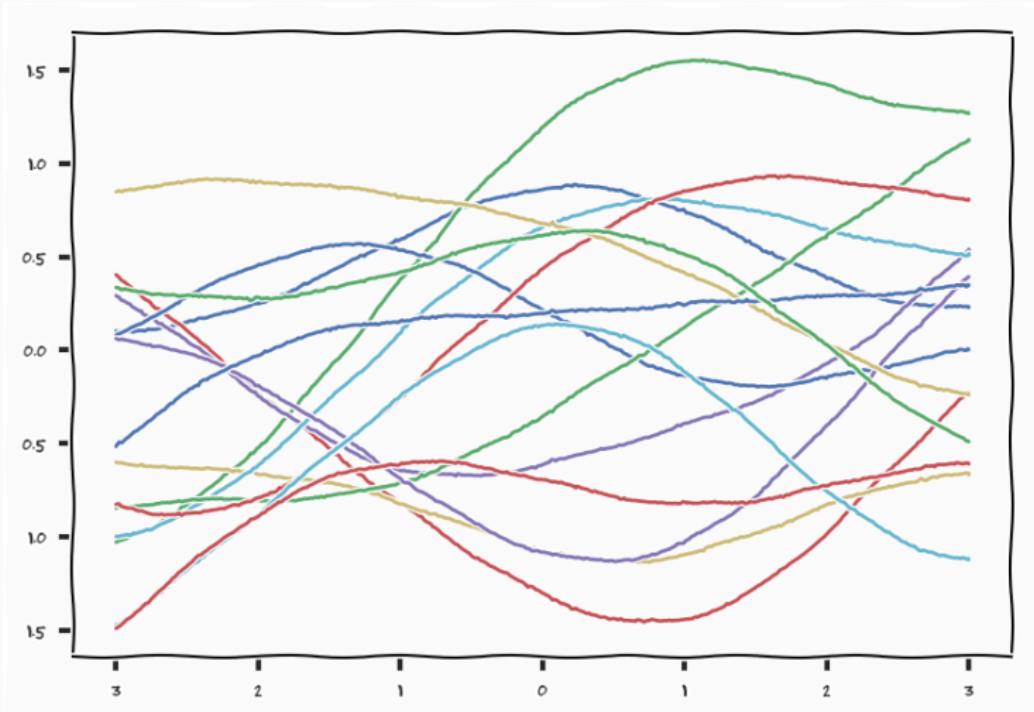


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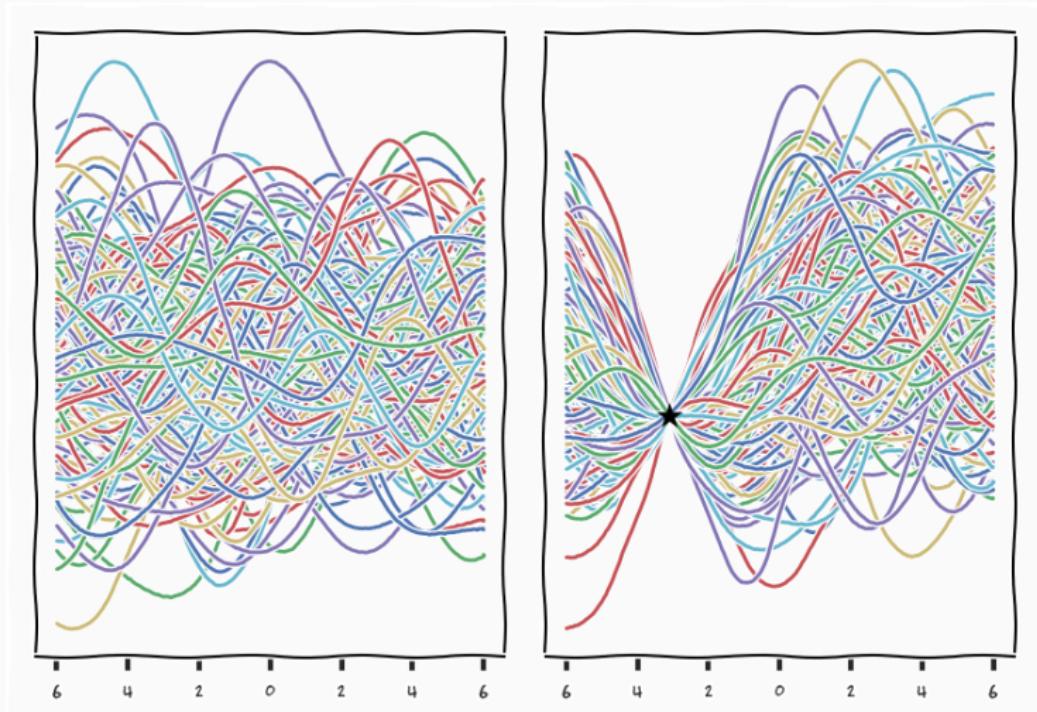
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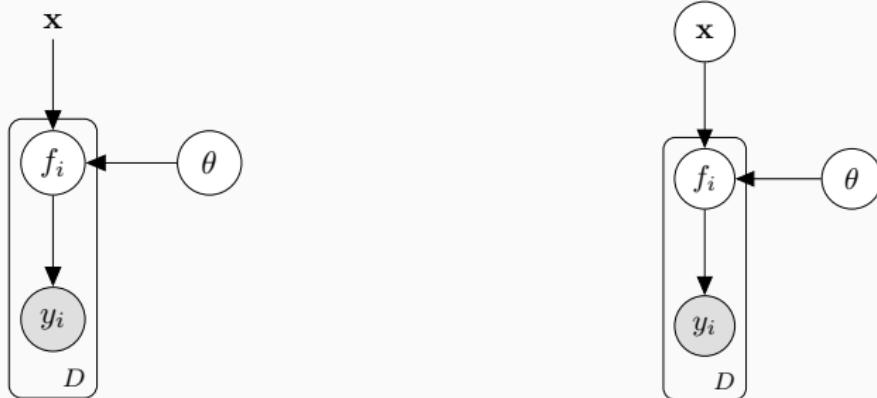
The Gaussian Identities

$$p(x_1, x_2) \quad p(x_1) = \int p(x_1, x_2) dx \quad p(x_1|x_2) = \frac{p(x_1, x_2)}{p(x_2)}$$

Gaussian Identities

Unsupervised Learning with GPs

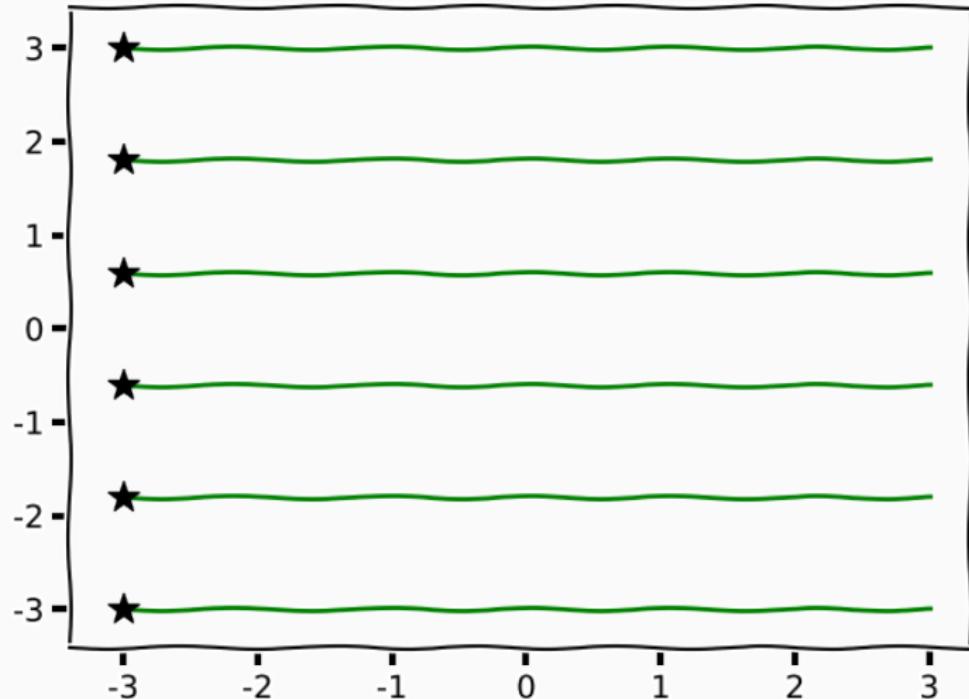
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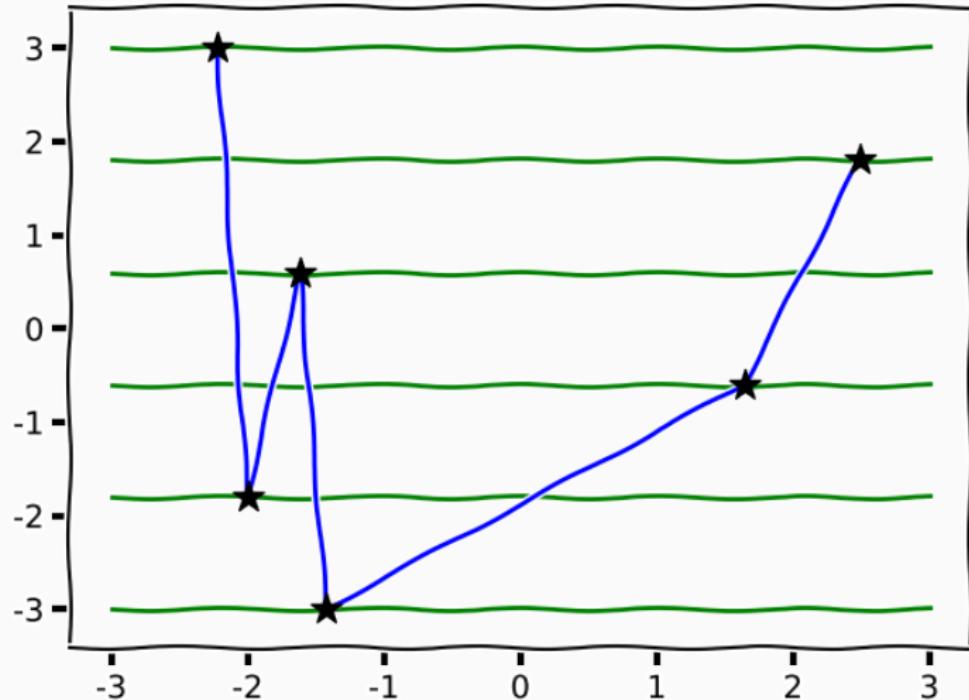
$$p(y|x)$$

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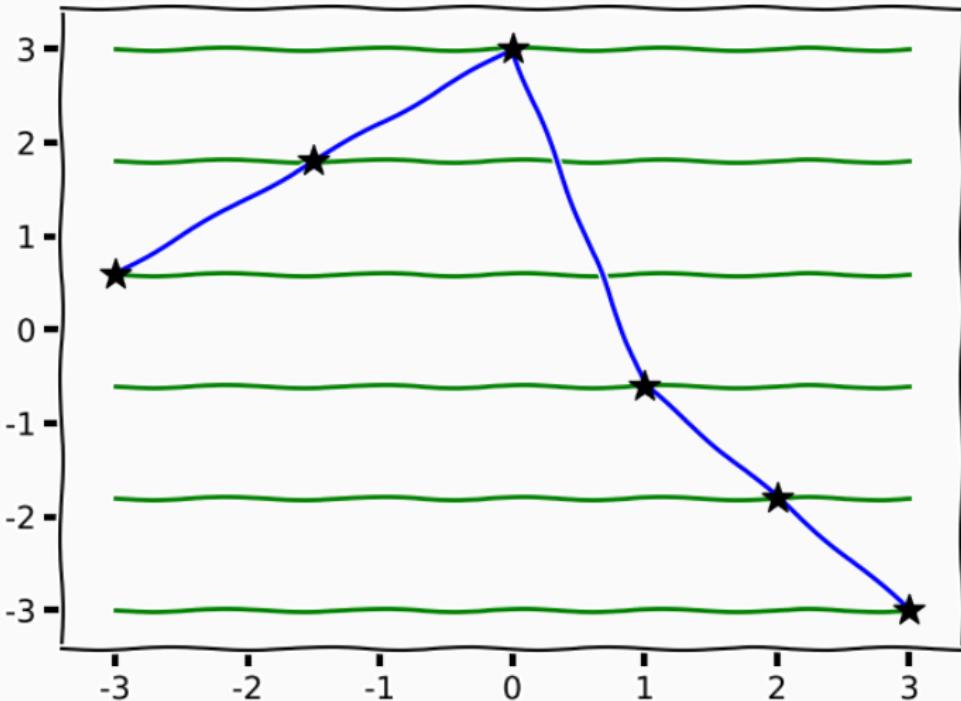
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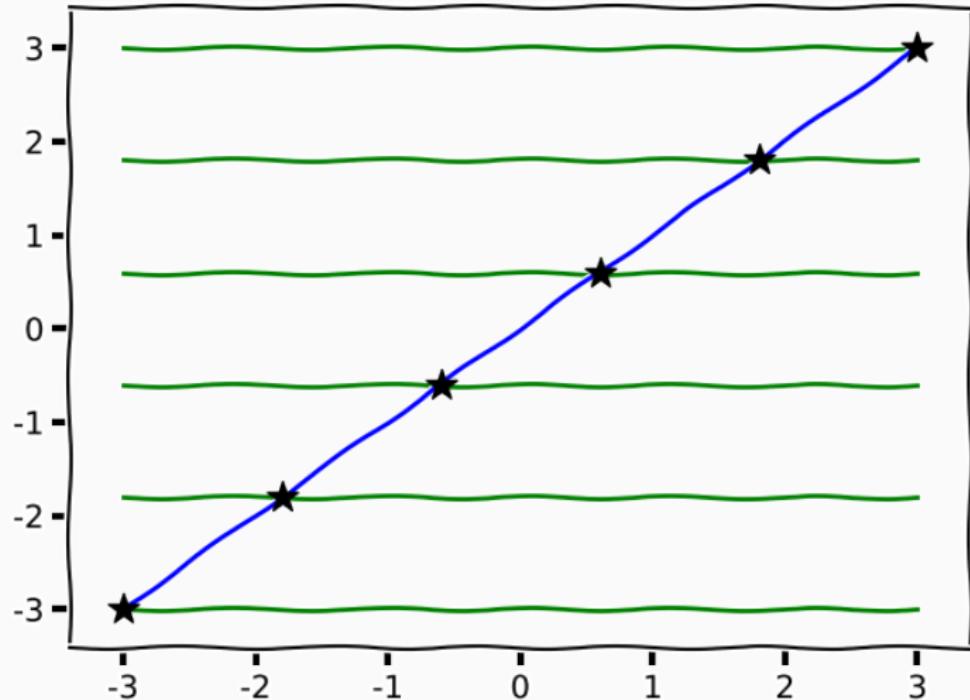
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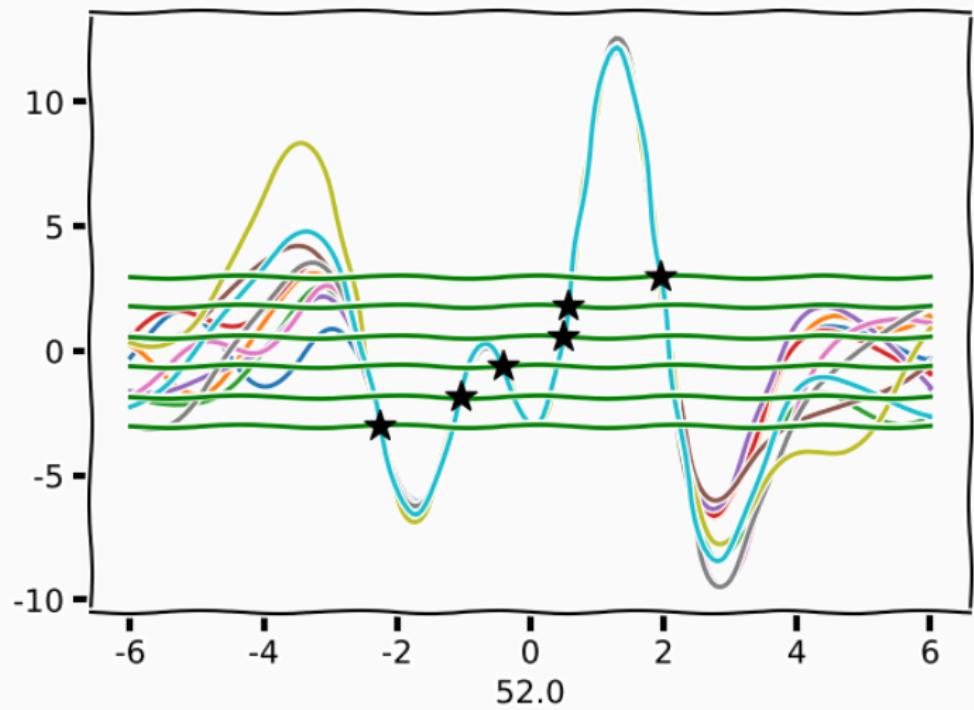
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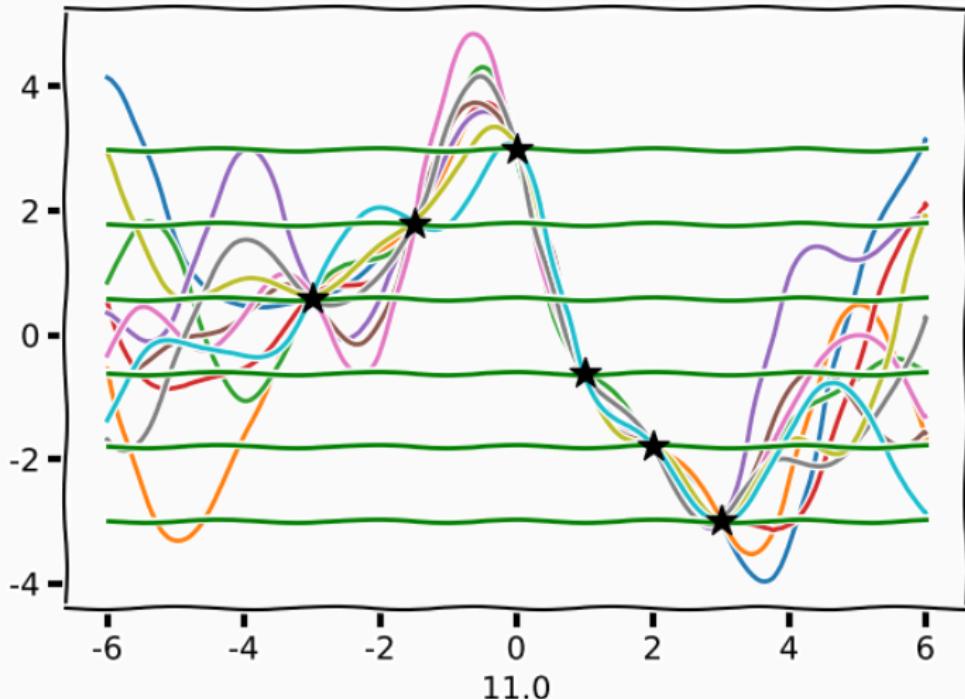
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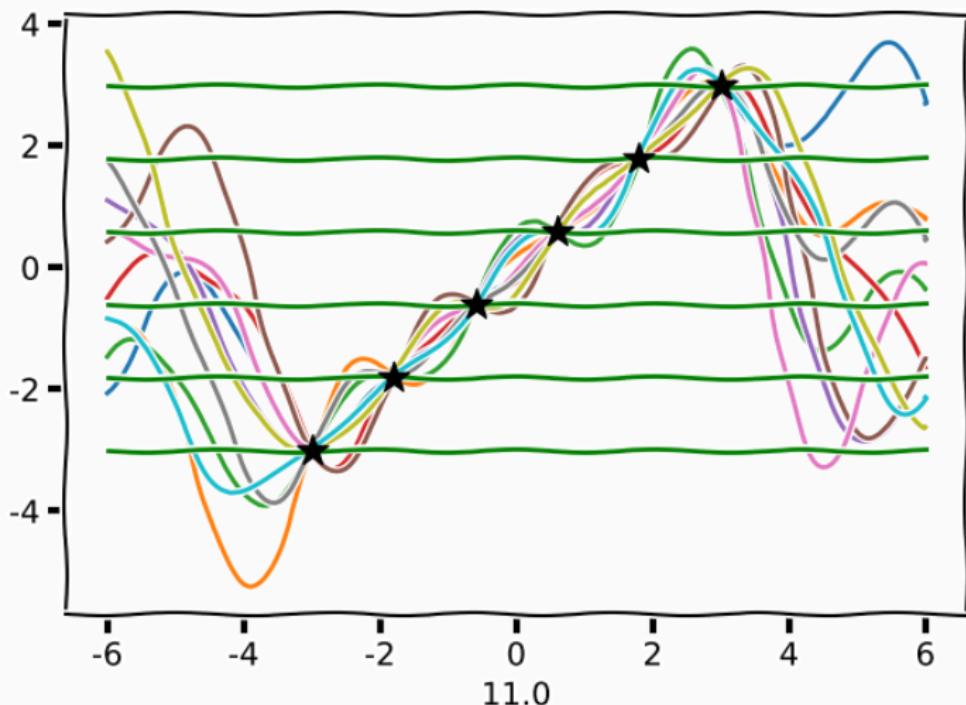
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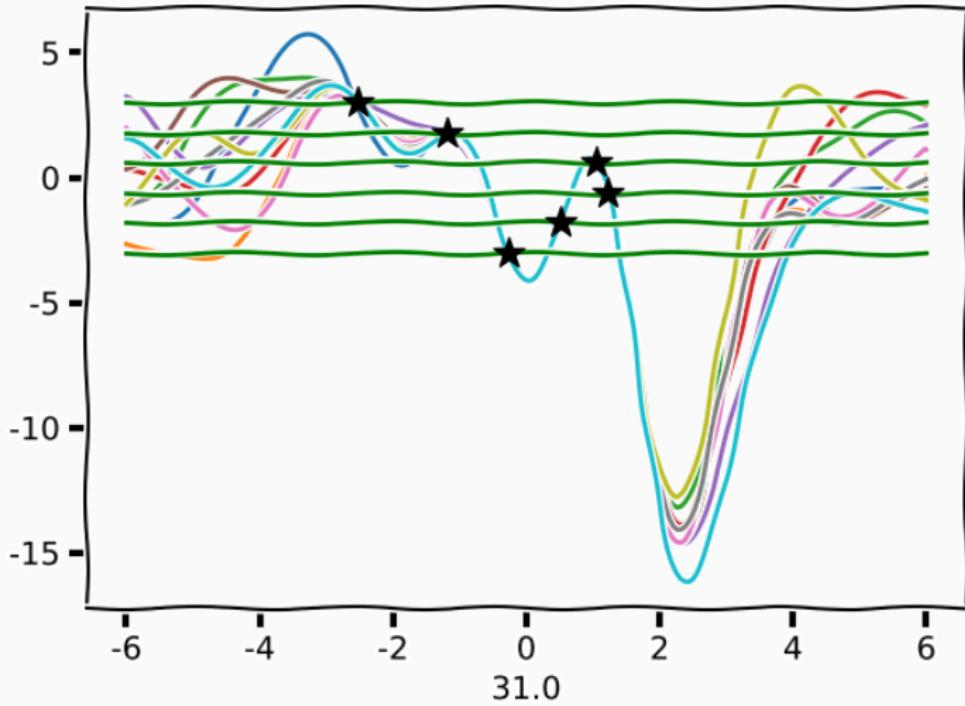
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Priors



Priors

$$p(y) = \int p(y|f)p(f|x)p(x)dfdx$$

$$p(x|y) = p(y|x) \frac{p(x)}{p(y)}$$

1. Priors that makes sense

$p(f)$ describes our belief/assumptions and defines our notion of complexity in the function

$p(x)$ expresses our belief/assumptions and defines our notion of complexity in the latent space

2. Now lets churn the handle

Relationship between x and data

$$p(y) = \int p(y|f)p(f|x)p(x)dfdx$$

- GP prior

$$p(f|x) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, K) \propto e^{-\frac{1}{2}(f^T K^{-1} f)}$$

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- Analytically intractable ([Non Elementary Integral](#)) and infinitely differentiable

Laplace Integration



"Nature laughs at the difficulties of integrations"
– *Simon Laplace*

Approximate Inference

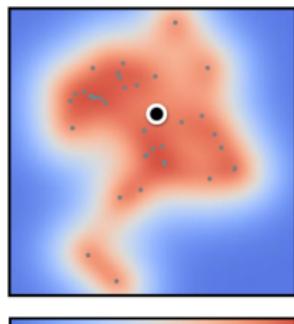
$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x} &= \operatorname{argmax}_x \int p(y|f)p(f|x)dfp(x) \\ &= \operatorname{argmin}_x \frac{1}{2}y^T \mathbf{K}^{-1}y + \frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{K}| - \log p(x)\end{aligned}$$

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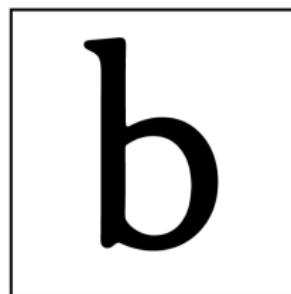
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Bayesian GP-LVM⁴

- Challenges with ML estimation
 - How to initialise x ?
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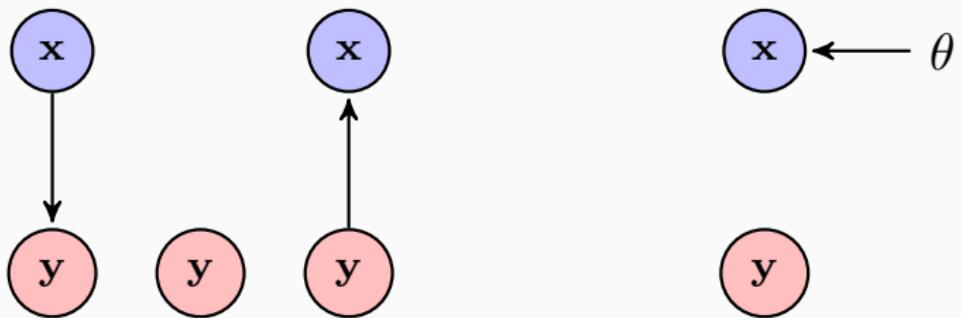
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ELBO



$$p(y) = \int_x p(y|x)p(x) = \frac{p(y|x)p(x)}{p(x|y)}$$

$$q_{\theta}(x) \approx p(x|y)$$

Variational Bayes

$$p(y)$$

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$$\log p(y)$$

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ELBO

$$\begin{aligned}\log p(y) &= \text{KL}(q(x)||p(x|y)) + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{q(x)} [\log p(x, y)] - H(q(x))}_{\text{ELBO}} \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}_{q(x)} [\log p(x, y)] - H(q(x)) = \mathcal{L}(q(x))\end{aligned}$$

- if we maximise the ELBO we,
 - find an approximate posterior
 - get an approximation to the marginal likelihood
- *maximising $p(\mathbf{Y})$* is learning
- finding $p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) \approx q(\mathbf{X})$ is prediction

Why is this useful?

Why is this a sensible thing to do?

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- We are allowed to choose the distribution to take the expectation over
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Lower Bound⁶

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Lower Bound

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}} = \int_{\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{X}} q(\mathbf{X}) \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{F}) p(\mathbf{F}|\mathbf{X})$$

- Has not eliviate the problem at all, X still needs to go through F to reach the data
- Idea of sparse approximations⁷

⁷Quinonero-Candela, Joquin, & Rasmussen, C. E. (2005). A unifying view of sparse approximate Gaussian process regression & Snelson, E., & Ghahramani, Z. (2006). Sparse Gaussian processes using pseudo-inputs

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- Conditional distribution

$$p(\mathbf{f}_{:,j}, \mathbf{u}_{:,j} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) = p(\mathbf{f}_{:,j} | \mathbf{u}_{:,j}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}) p(\mathbf{u}_{:,j} | \mathbf{Z})$$

$$= \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}_{:,j} | \mathbf{K}_{fu}(\mathbf{K}_{uu})^{-1} \mathbf{u}_{:,j}, \mathbf{K}_{ff} - \mathbf{K}_{fu}(\mathbf{K}_{uu})^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{uf}) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{u}_{:,j} | \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}_{uu}),$$

Lower Bound

$$p(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{X} | \mathbf{Z}) = p(\mathbf{X}) \prod_{j=1}^d p(\mathbf{y}_{:,j} | \mathbf{f}_{:,j}) p(\mathbf{f}_{:,j} | \mathbf{u}_{:,j}, \mathbf{X}) p(\mathbf{u}_{:,j} | \mathbf{Z})$$

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- however, we will now interpret \mathbf{U} and \mathbf{X}_u **not** as random variables but **variational** parameters

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- however, we will now interpret \mathbf{U} and \mathbf{X}_u **not** as random variables but **variational** parameters
- i.e. parametrise approximate posterior using these parameters (remember sparse motivation)

Lower Bound

- Variational distributions are approximations to intractable posteriors,

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- Assume that we can *find* \mathbf{U} that completely represents \mathbf{F} , i.e. \mathbf{U} is sufficient statistics of \mathbf{F} ,

$$q(\mathbf{F}) \approx p(\mathbf{F}|\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{Y}) = p(\mathbf{F}|\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z})$$

Lower Bound

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}} = \int_{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{U}} q(\mathbf{F})q(\mathbf{U})q(\mathbf{X}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{U} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z})}{q(\mathbf{F})q(\mathbf{U})}$$

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- Assume that \mathbf{U} is sufficient statistics for \mathbf{F}

$$q(\mathbf{F})q(\mathbf{U})q(\mathbf{X}) = p(\mathbf{F} | \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z})q(\mathbf{U})q(\mathbf{X})$$

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Summary

$$\mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{F}), q(\mathbf{X}), q(\mathbf{U})} [p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{F})] - \text{KL}(q(\mathbf{U})||p(\mathbf{U}|\mathbf{Z})) - \text{KL}(q(\mathbf{X})||p(\mathbf{X}))$$

- Expectation tractable (for some co-variances)
- Reduces to expectations over co-variance functions known as Ψ statistics
- Allows us to place priors and not "regularisers" over the latent representation

Latent space priors

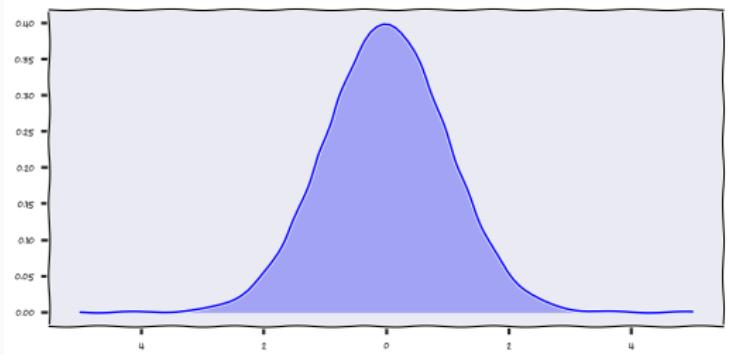
Latent space priors⁸

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- Importantly $p(\mathbf{X})$ appears only in KL term
- Allows us to express stronger assumptions about the model

⁸Damianou, A. C., Titsias, M., & Lawrence, Neil D. Variational Inference for Uncertainty on the Inputs of Gaussian Process Models (2014)

The Gaussian blob



$$p(\mathbf{X}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

Automatic Relevance Determination

$$k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \sigma e^{-\sum_d^D \alpha_d \cdot (x_{i,d} - x_{j,d})^2}$$

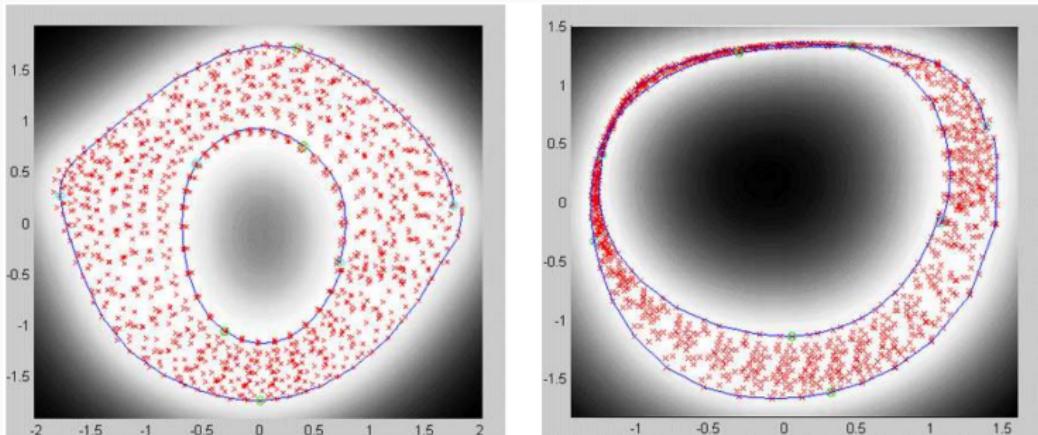
GPy

Code

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RBF(..., ARD=True)
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Matern32(..., ARD=True)
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Dynamic Gaussian Processes^{9, 10}



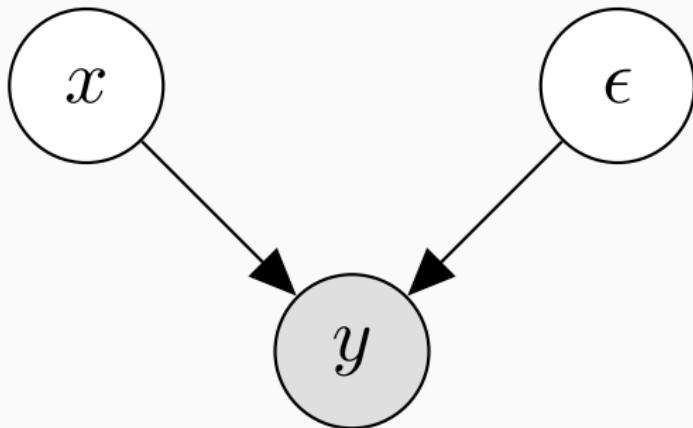
$$p(y, f, x|t) = p(y|f)p(f|x) \underbrace{p(x|t)}_{\sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)}$$

⁹Urtasun, R., Fleet, D. J., & Fua, P., 3d people tracking with gaussian process dynamical models, CVPR(2006)

¹⁰Damianou, A. C., Titsias, M., & Lawrence, N. D., Variational Gaussian Process Dynamical Systems, 2011

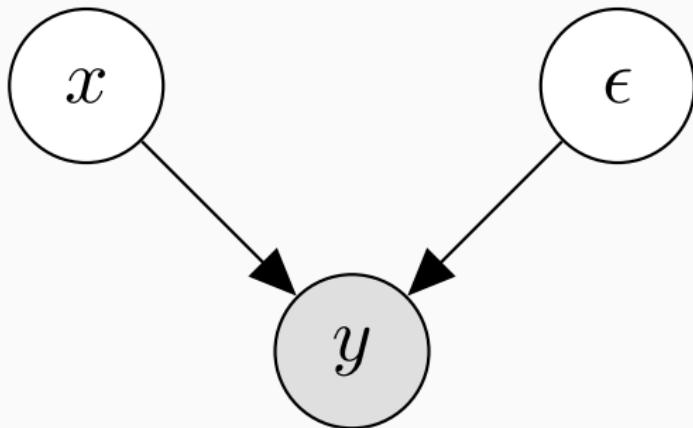
Latent space structures

Explaining Away



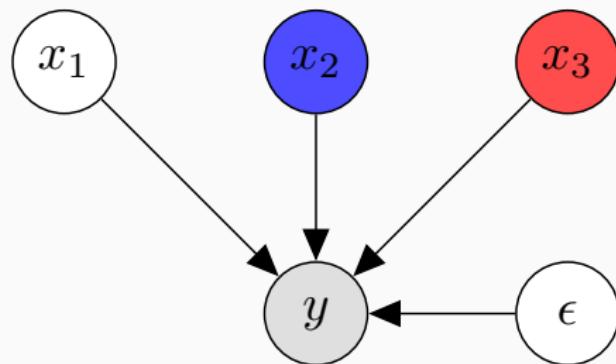
$$y = f(x) + \epsilon$$

Explaining Away



$$y - \epsilon = f(x)$$

Factor Analysis

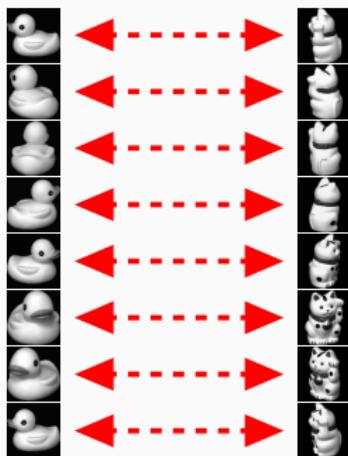


$$y = f(x_1, \textcolor{blue}{x}_2, \textcolor{red}{x}_3) + \epsilon$$

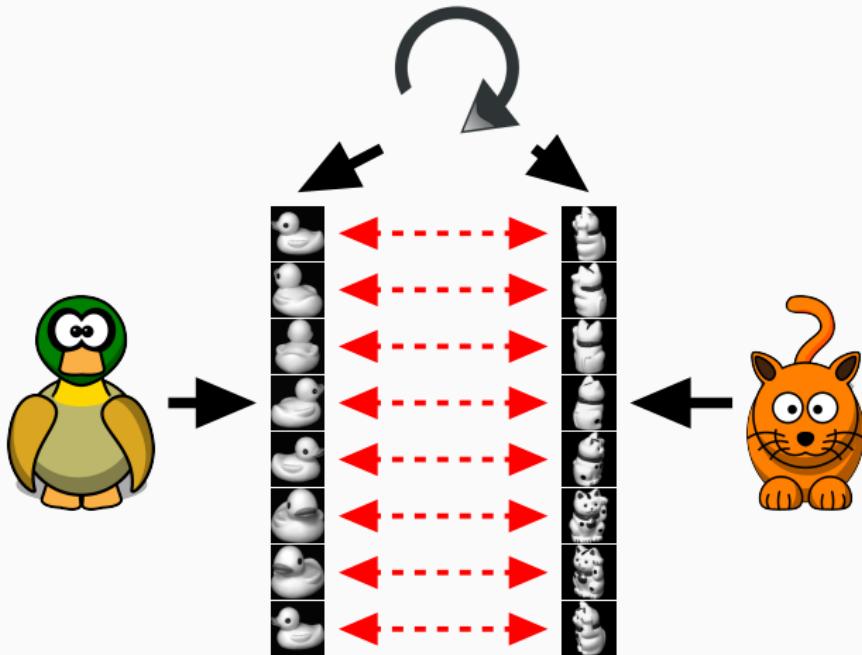
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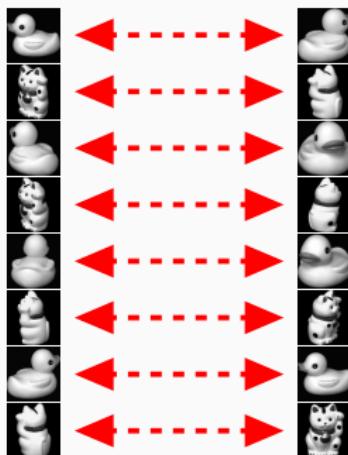
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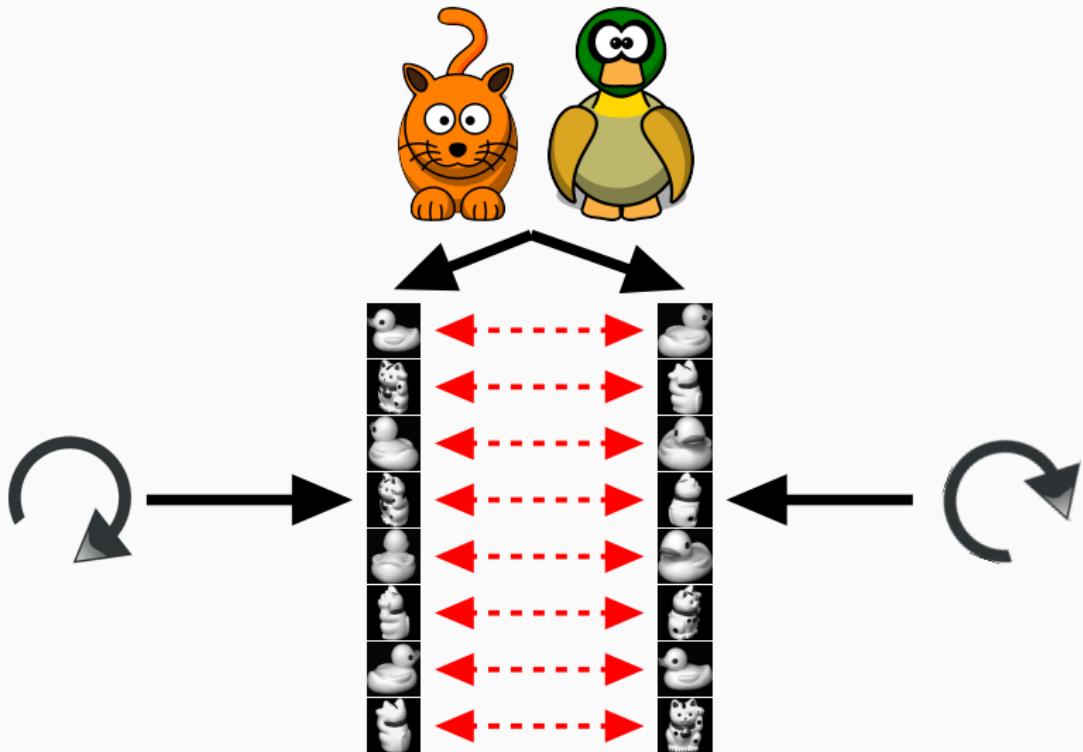
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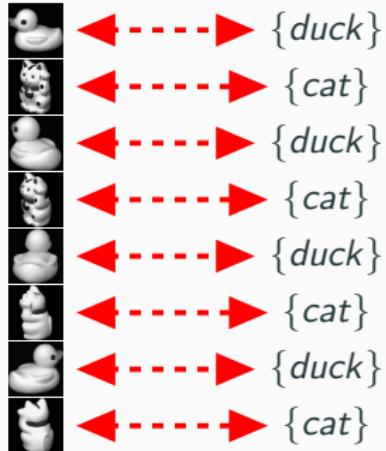
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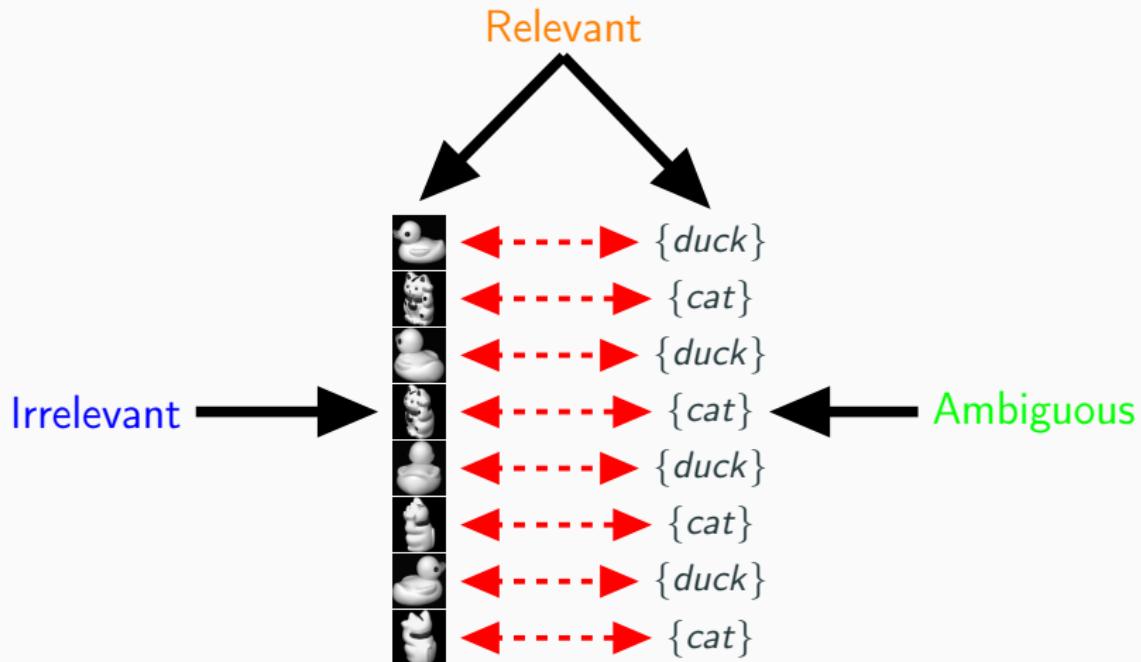
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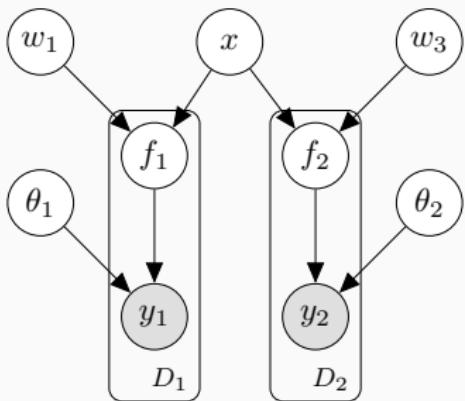
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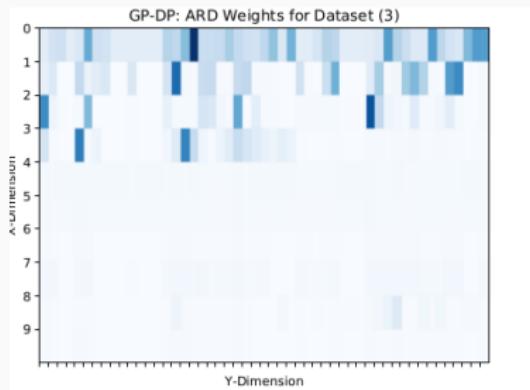
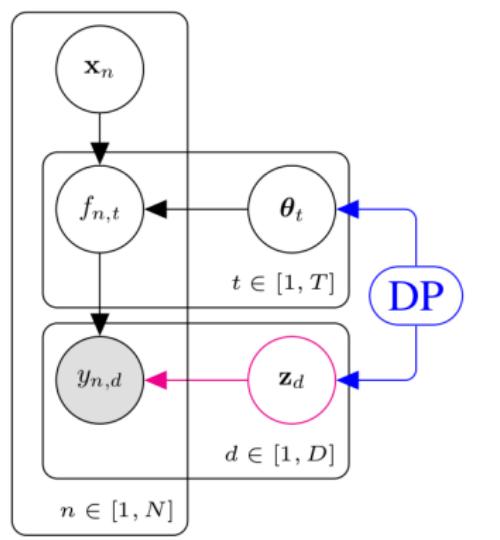


IBFA with GP-LVM¹¹



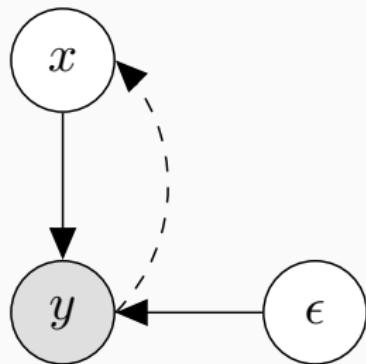
$$y_1 = f(w_1^T x) \quad y_2 = f(w_2^T x)$$

¹¹Damianou, A., Lawrence, N. D., & Ek, C. H. (2016). Multi-view learning as a nonparametric nonlinear inter-battery factor analysis



¹²Lawrence, A. R., Ek, C. H., & Campbell, N. W., DP-GP-LVM: A bayesian non-parametric model for learning multivariate dependency structures, ICML (2019)

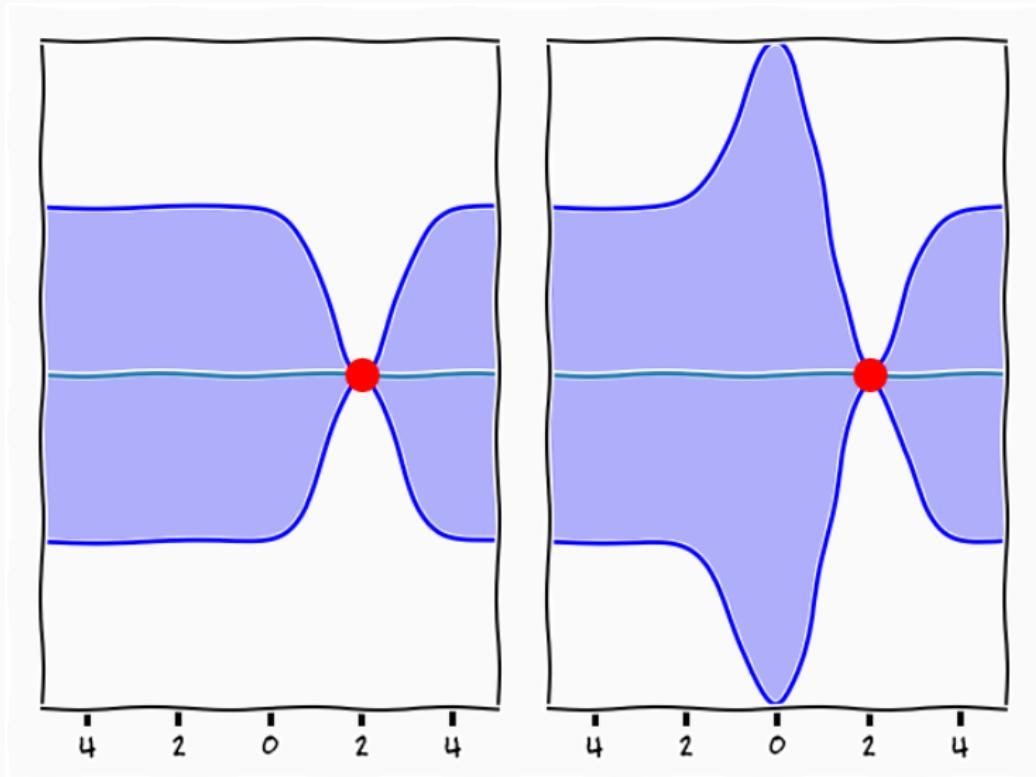
Constrained Latent Space¹³



$$y = f(g(y)) + \epsilon$$

¹³Lawrence, N. D., & Quinonero-Candela, Joaquin, Local distance preservation in the gp-lvm through back constraints, ICML, 2006

Geometry

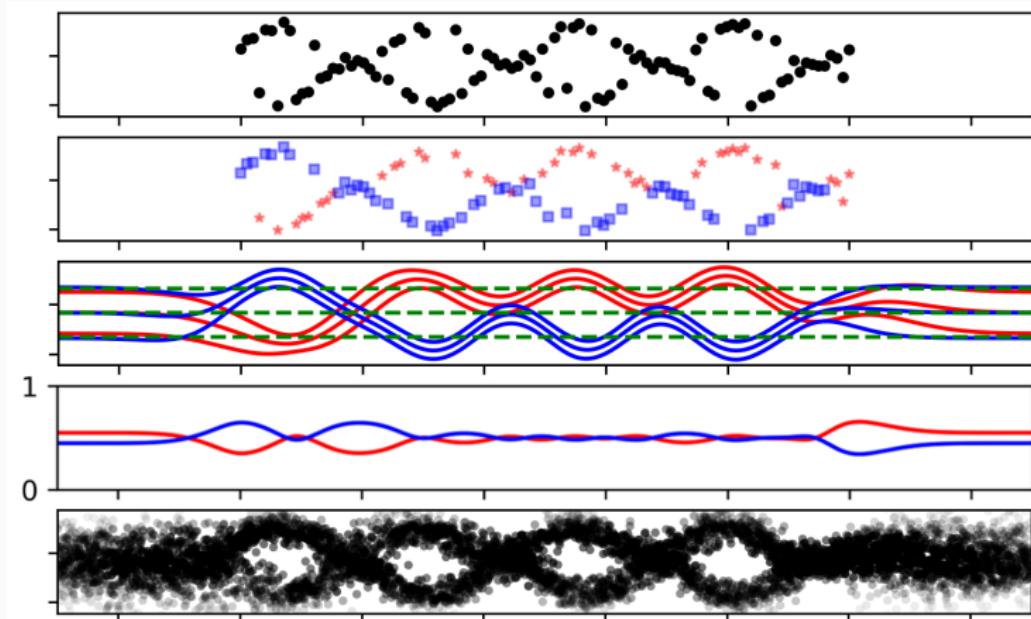


Latent GP-Regression¹⁴

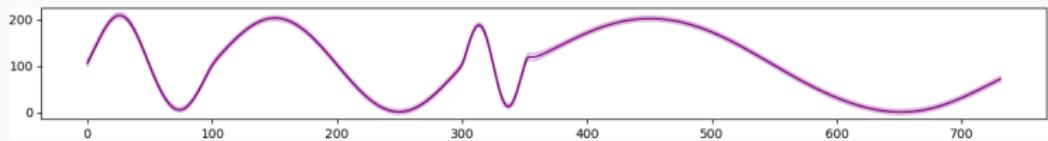
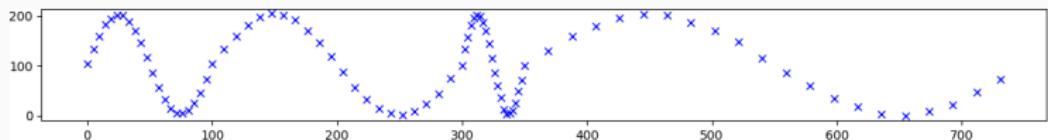
$$p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) = \int p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{F}) p(\mathbf{F}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{X}^{(C)}) p(\mathbf{X}^{(C)}) d\mathbf{F} d\mathbf{X}^{(C)}.$$

¹⁴Bodin, E., Campbell, N. D. F., & Ek, C. H., Latent Gaussian Process Regression (2017).

Discrete

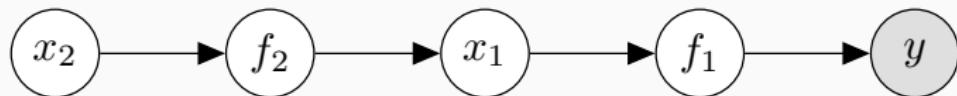


Continuous



Composite Functions

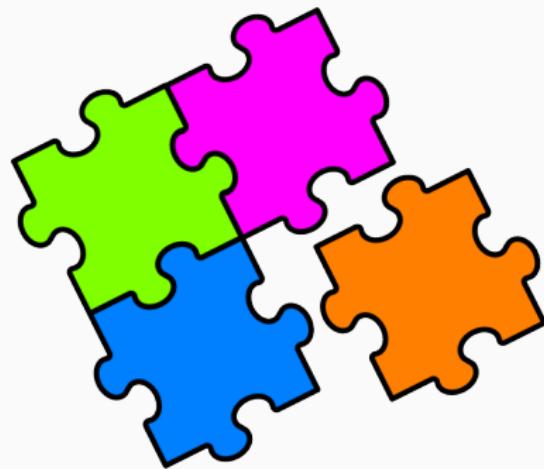
Deep Gaussian Processes¹⁵



- Place a GP as a warping function, that is warped, ...

¹⁵Damianou, A. C., & Lawrence, N. D. (2013). Deep Gaussian Processes

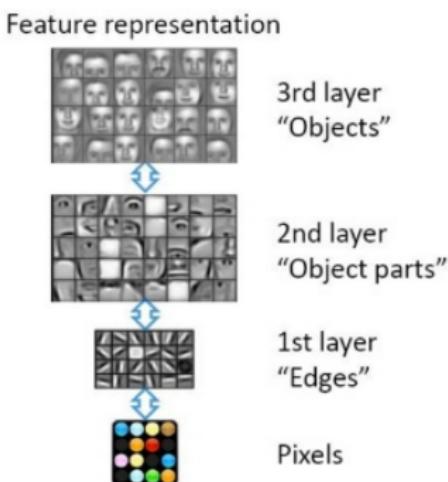
Composite Functions



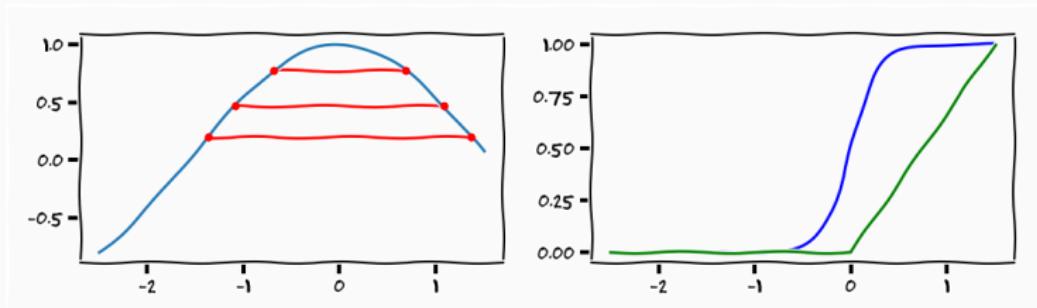
$$y = f_k(f_{k-1}(\dots f_0(x))) = f_k \circ f_{k-1} \circ \dots \circ f_1(x)$$

Diff Levels of Abstraction

- Hierarchical Learning
 - Natural progression from low level to high level structure as seen in natural complexity
 - Easier to monitor what is being learnt and to guide the machine to better subspaces
 - A good lower level representation can be used for many distinct tasks



Composite functions



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$$\text{Kern}(f_1) \subseteq \text{Kern}(f_{k-1} \circ \dots \circ f_2 \circ f_1) \subseteq \text{Kern}(f_k \circ f_{k-1} \circ \dots \circ f_2 \circ f_1)$$

$$\text{Im}(f_k \circ f_{k-1} \circ \dots \circ f_2 \circ f_1) \subseteq \text{Im}(f_k \circ f_{k-1} \circ \dots \circ f_2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq \text{Im}(f_k)$$

Change of Variables

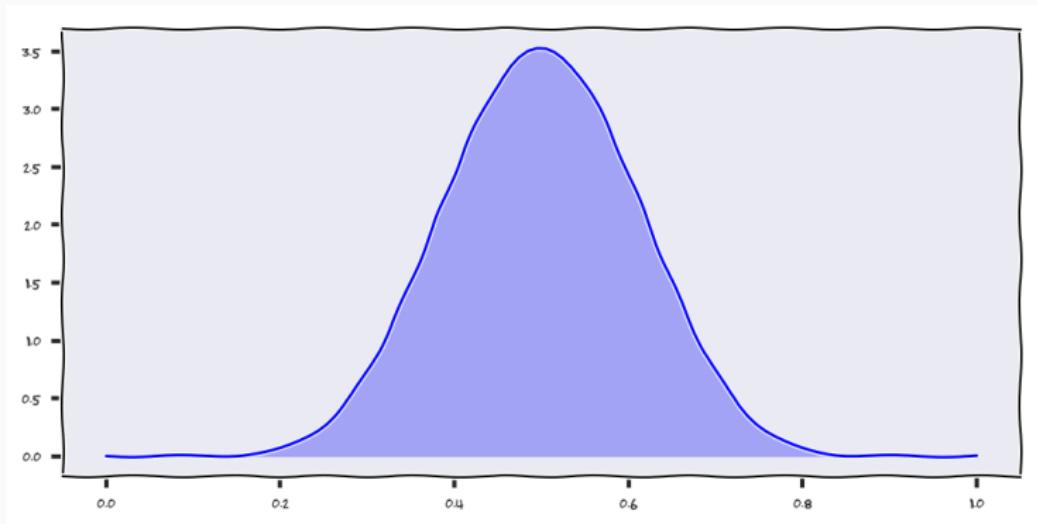
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Let $x \in \mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a random vector with a probability density function given by $p_x(x)$, and let $y \in \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a random vector such that $\psi(y) = x$, where the function $\psi : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is bijective of class of \mathcal{C}^1 and $|\nabla \psi(y)| > 0, \forall y \in \mathcal{Y}$. Then, the probability density function $p_y(\cdot)$ induced in \mathcal{Y} is given by

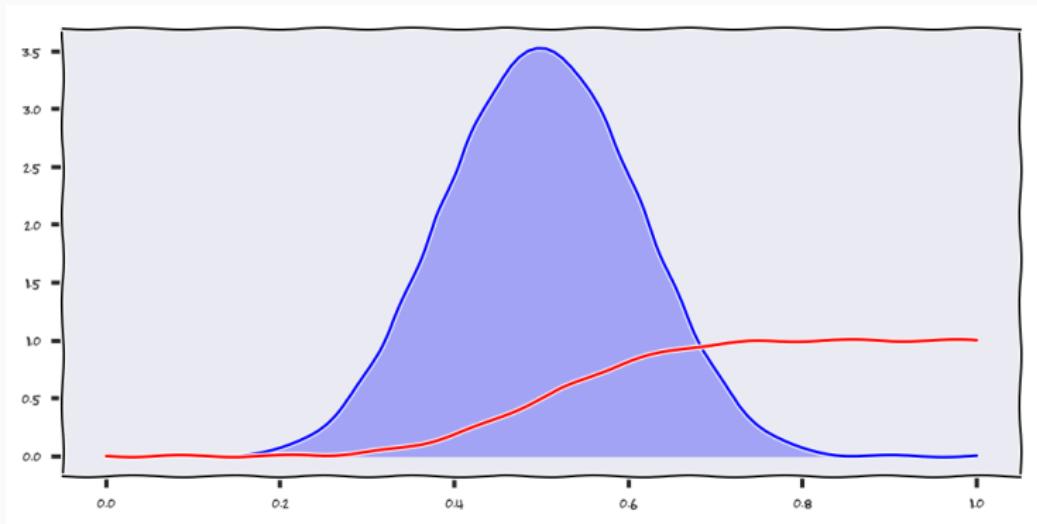
$$p_y(y) = p_x(\psi(y)) |\nabla \psi(y)|$$

where $\nabla \psi(\cdot)$ denotes the Jacobian of $\psi(\cdot)$, and $|\cdot|$ denotes the determinant operator.

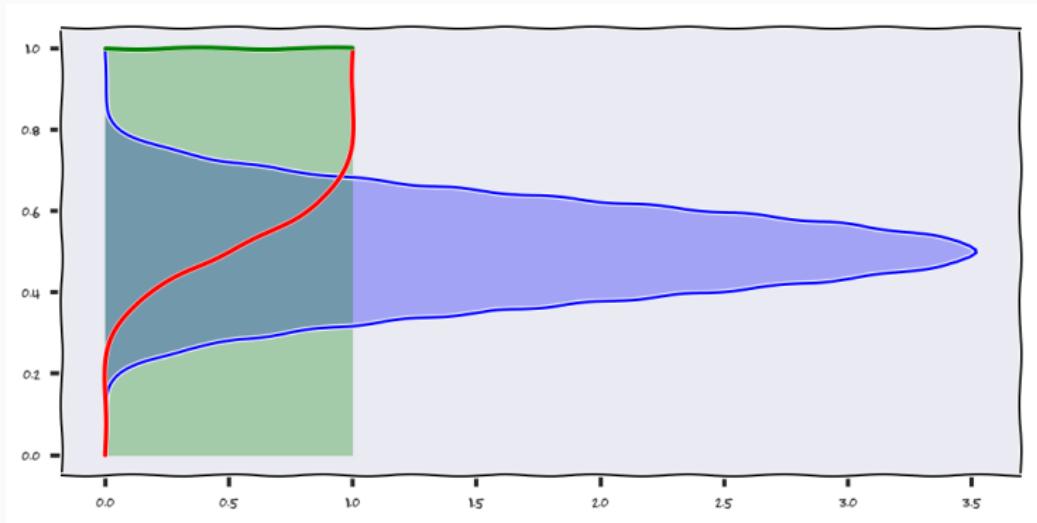
Sampling



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Change of Variables

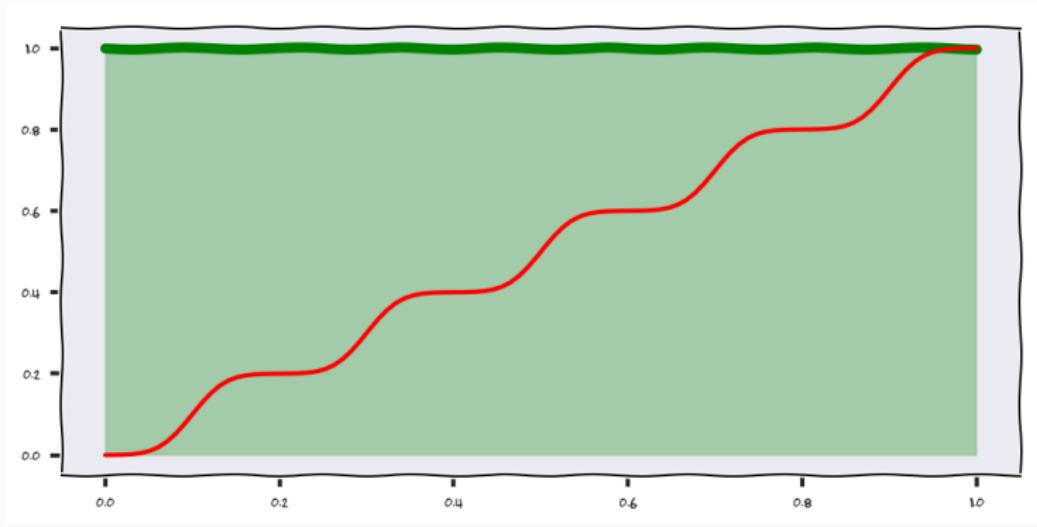
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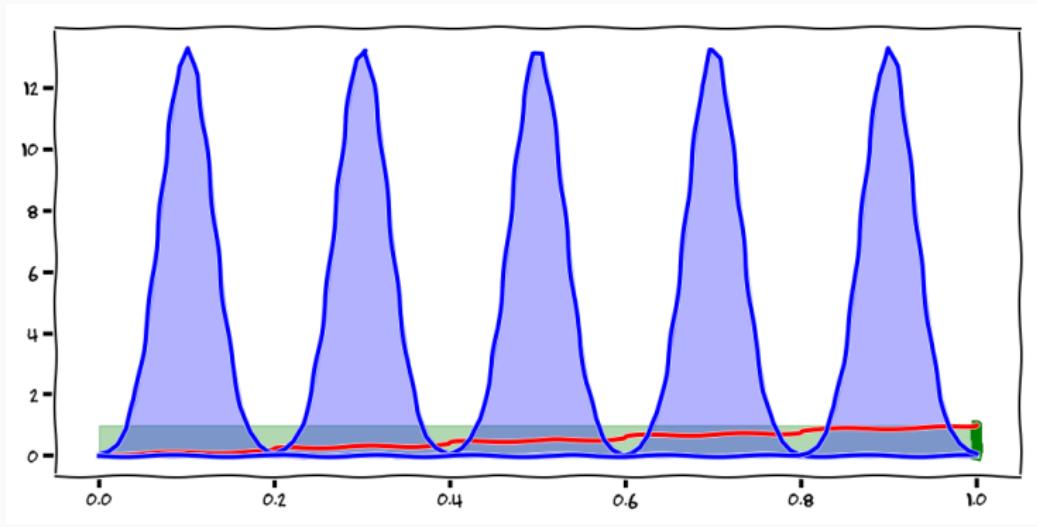
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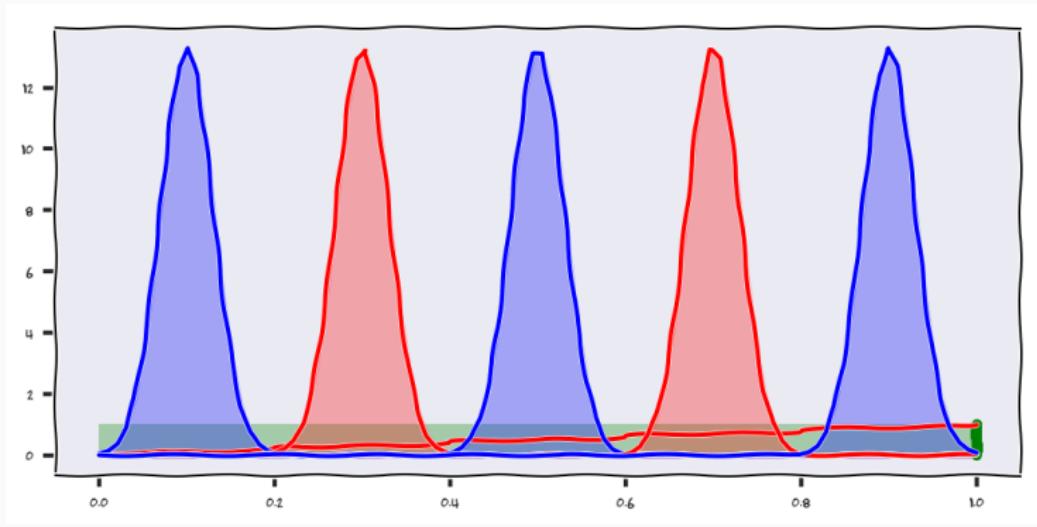
Change of Variables



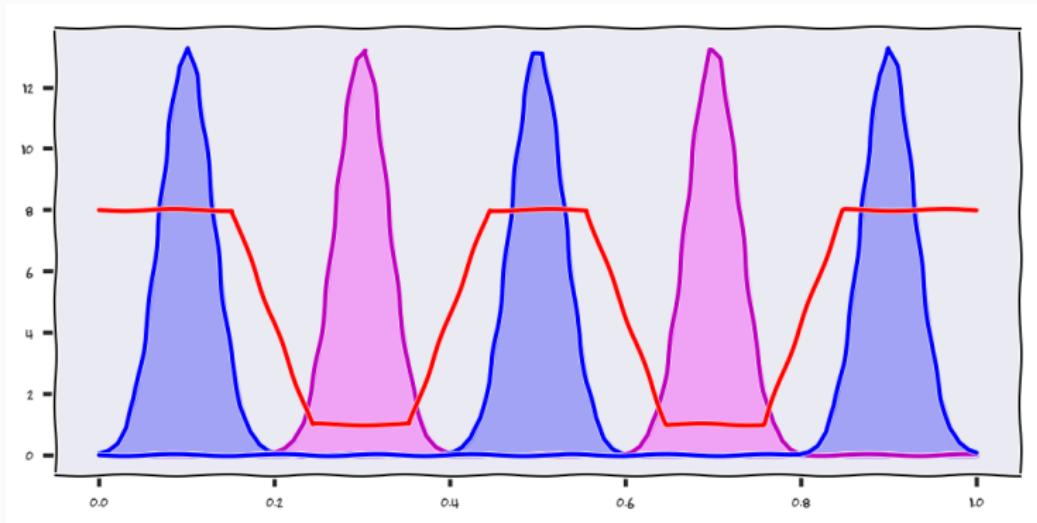
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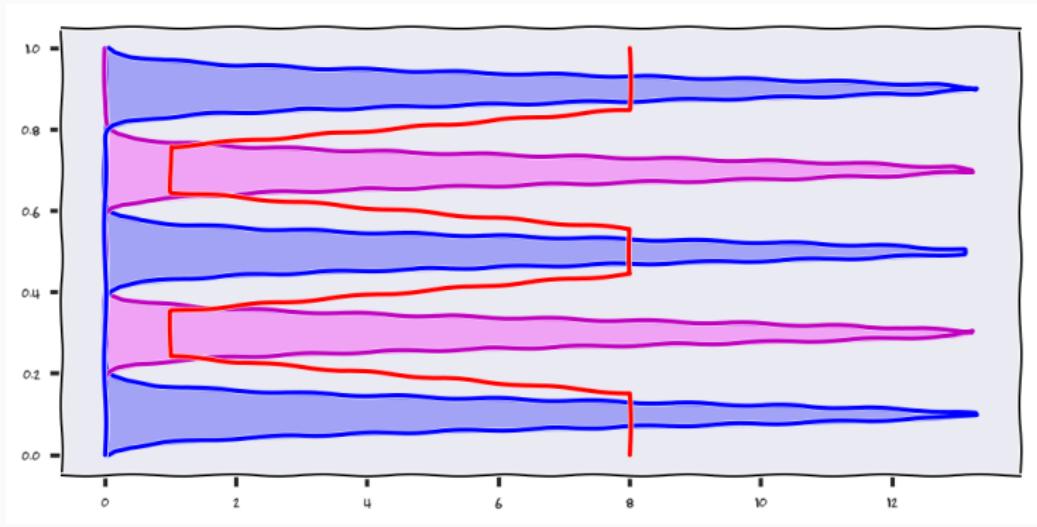
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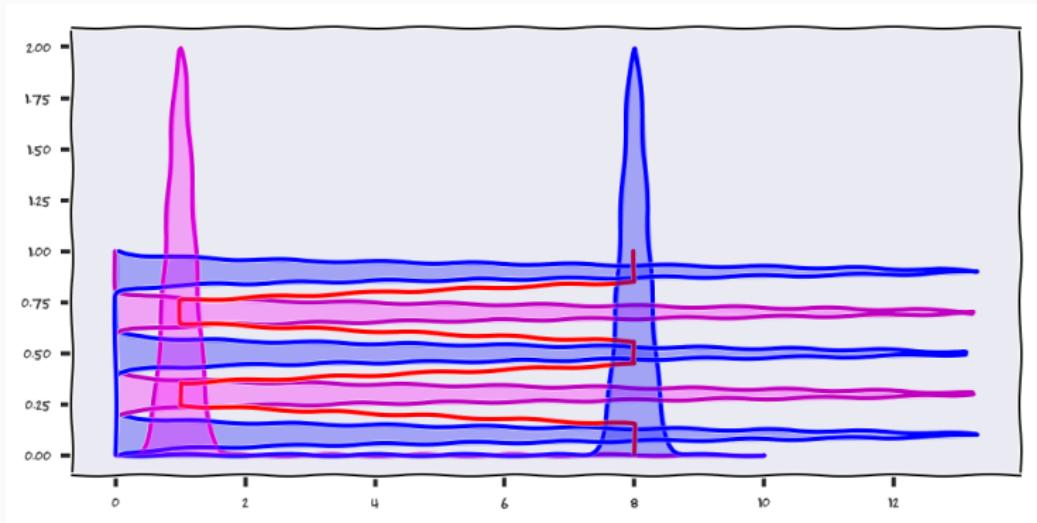
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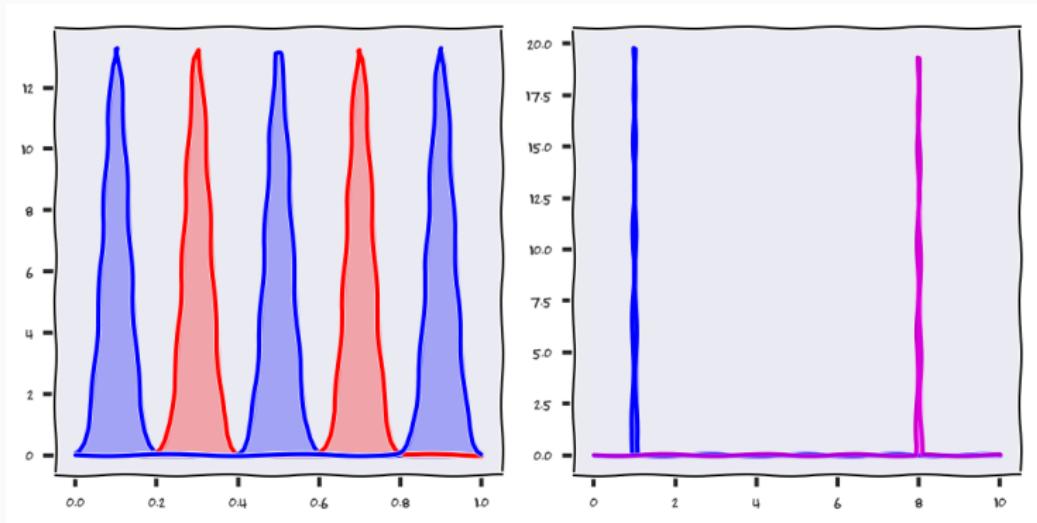
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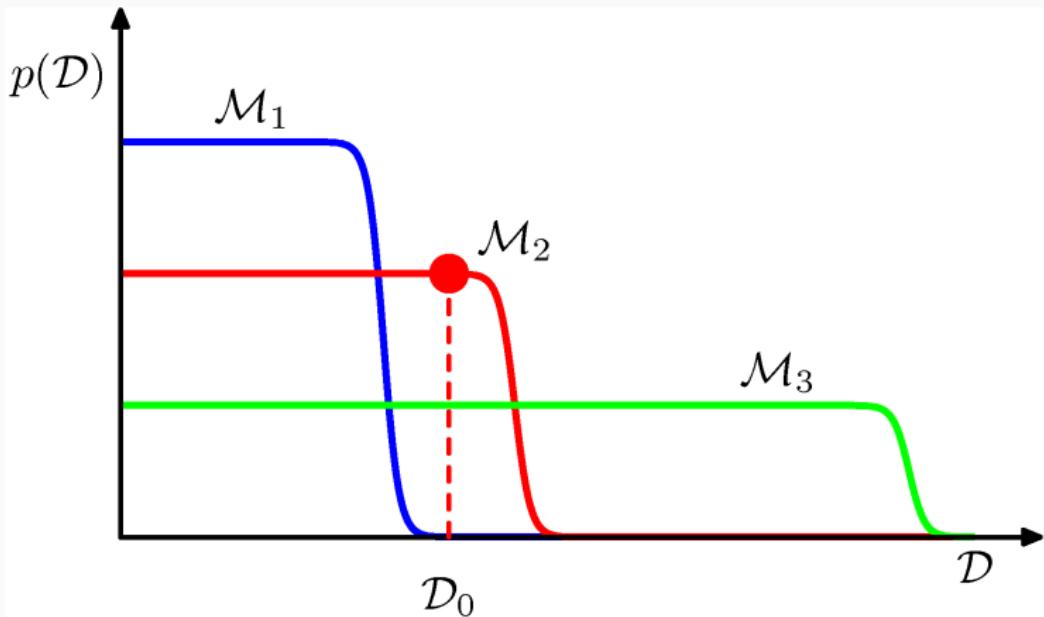
Change of Variables



Change of Variables



MacKay plot



When do I want Composite Functions

$$y = f_k \circ f_{k-1} \circ \cdots \circ f_1(x)$$

1. My generative process is composite
 - my prior knowledge is composite
2. I want to "re-parametrise" my kernel in a learning setting
 - i have knowledge of the re-parametrisation

Windfarms



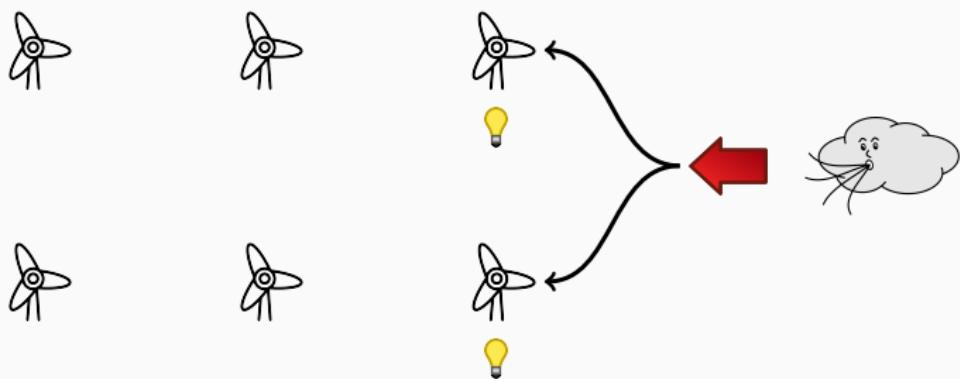
Problem

- Effectiveness of modern windfarm
 - 25-60% (of Betz Limit)
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 - gear
 - etc.

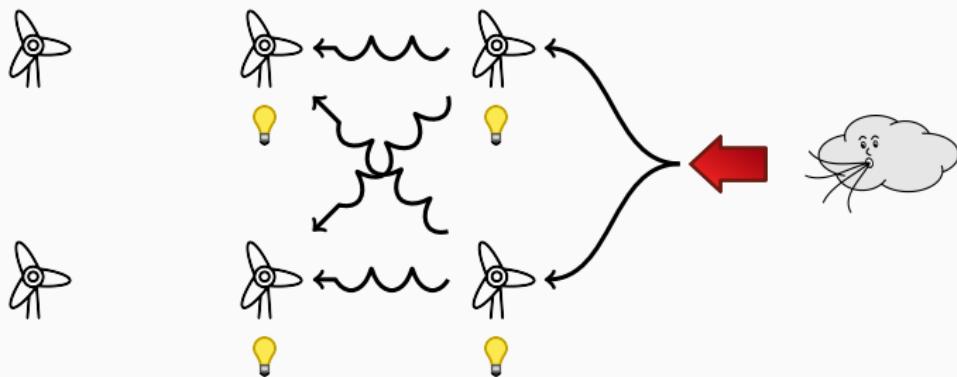
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 - 25-60% (of Betz Limit)
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 - etc.
- *How can we maximise the efficiency of a windfarm?*

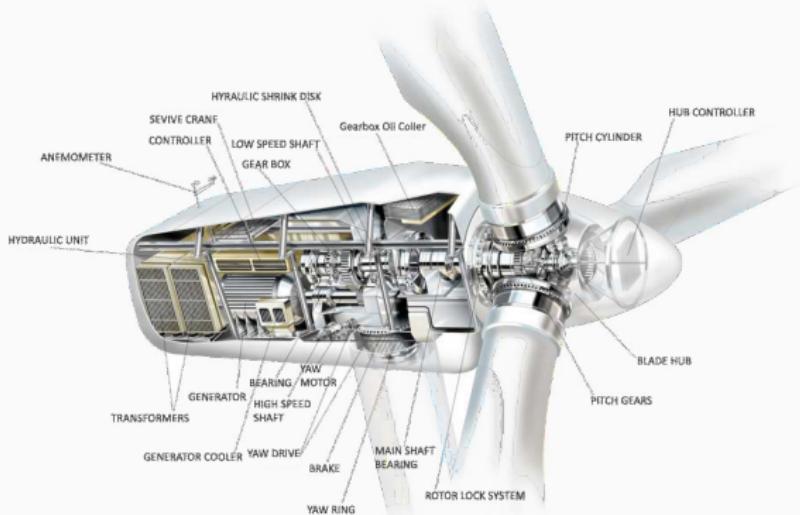
Windfarm



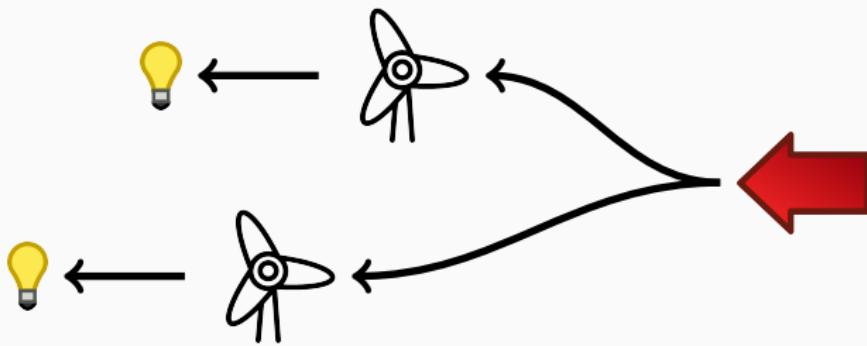
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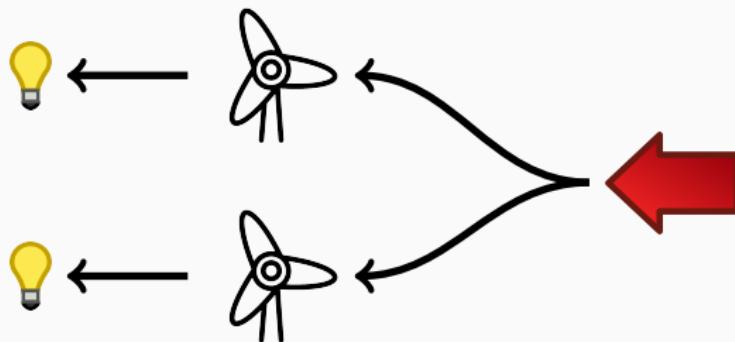
The Wind Turbine



Model

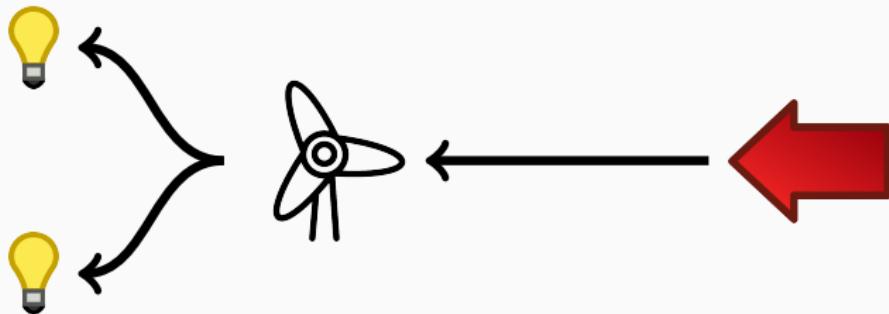


Model: Alignment



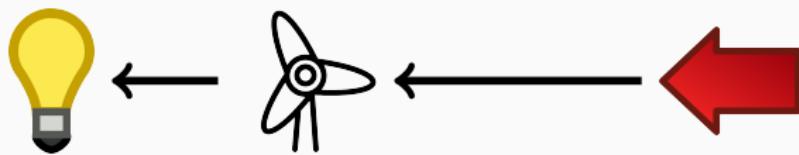
$$w_1(t) = w_2(a(t))$$

Model: Windfront



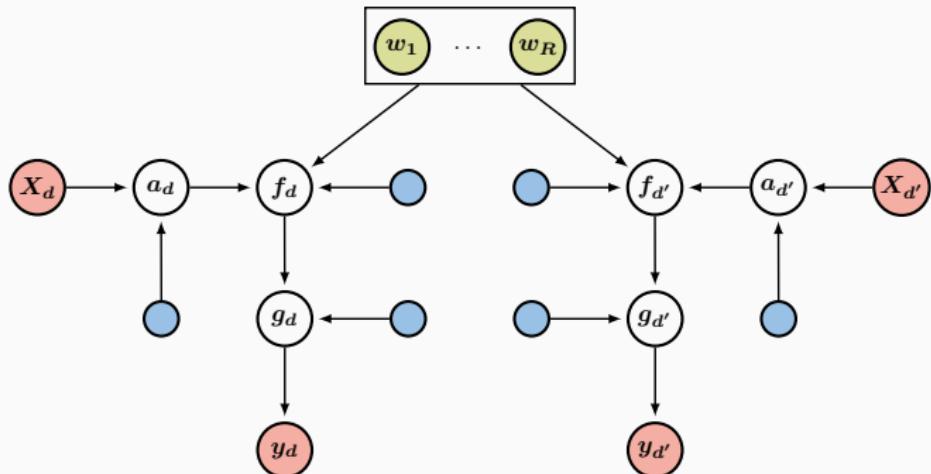
$$f_d(x) = \sum_{r=1}^R \int T_{d,r}(x - z) \cdot w_r(z) \frac{d}{dz}$$

Model: Windturbine



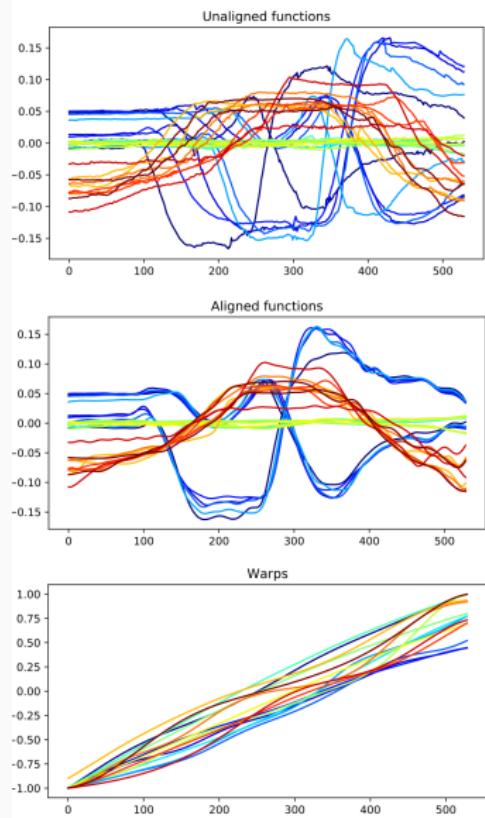
$$\mathbf{y}_d = g_d(\mathbf{f}_d)$$

Model: Graphical Model ¹⁶

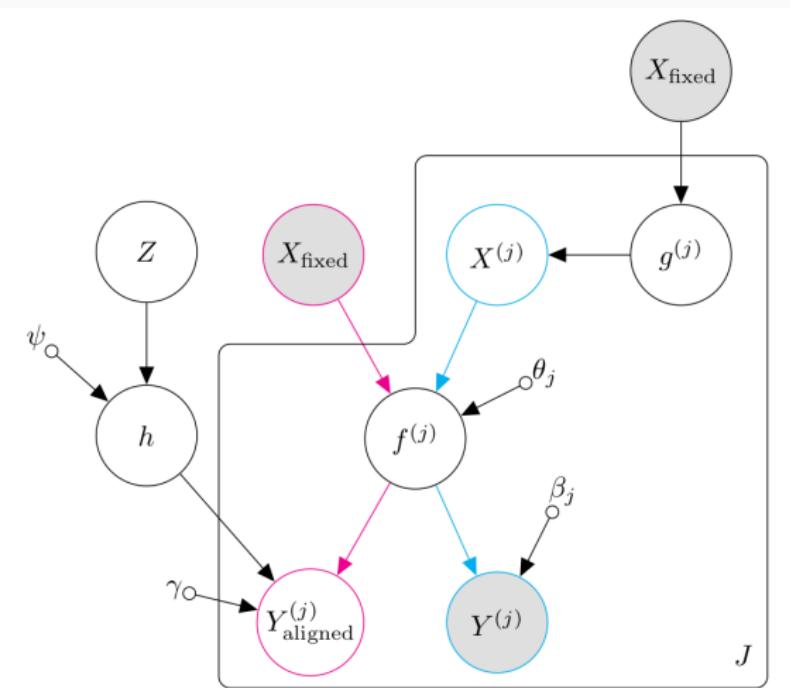


¹⁶Kaiser, M., Otte, C., Runkler, T., & Ek, C.~H., Bayesian alignments of warped multi-output gaussian processes, NIPS, 2018

Alignment Learning

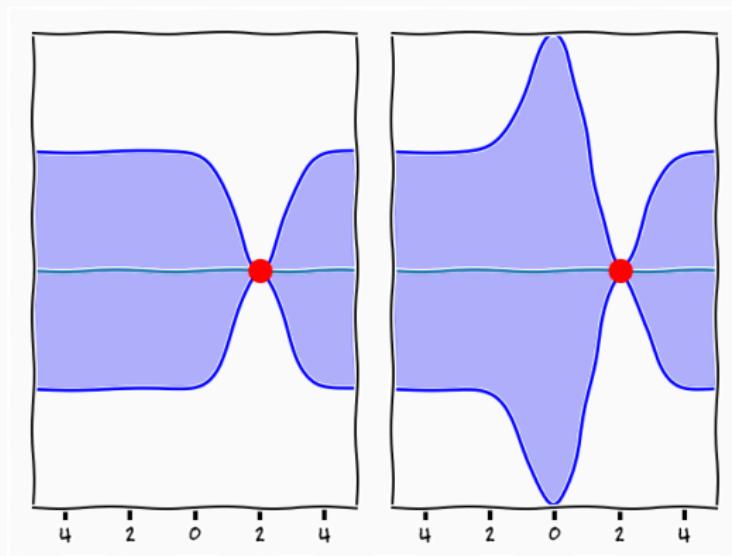


Alignment Learning¹⁷



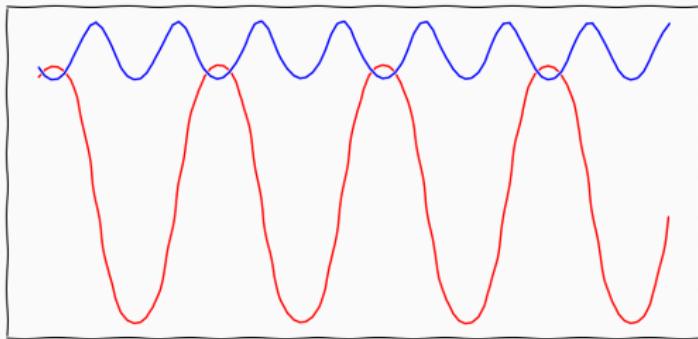
¹⁷Kazlauskaitė, I., Ek, C. H., & Campbell, N. D. F., Gaussian Process Latent Variable Alignment Learning, AISTATS 2019

Kernel Re-Parametrisation

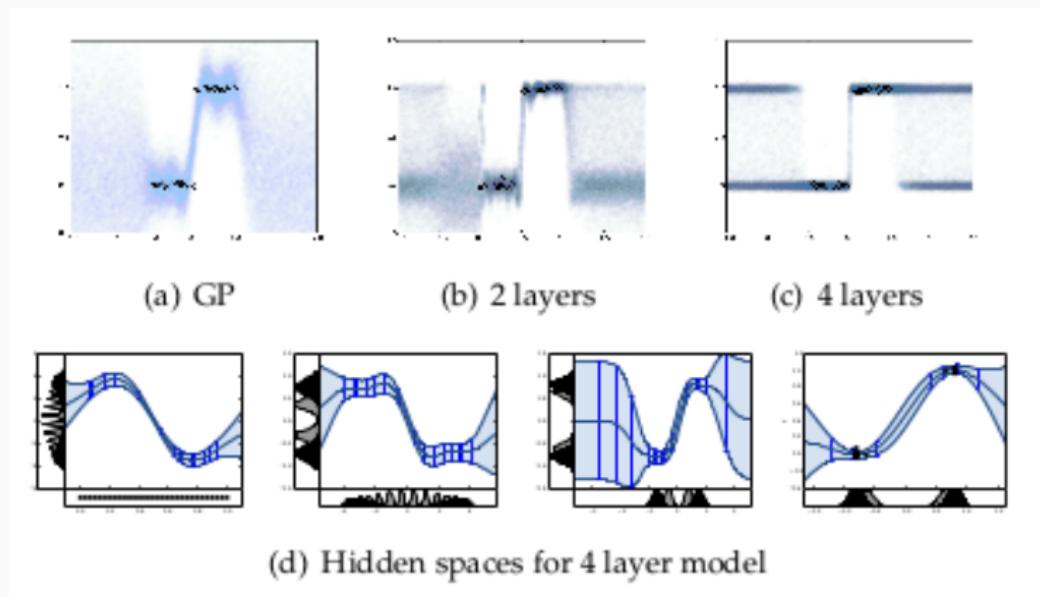


$$k(x'_1, x'_2) = k(f(x_1), f(x_2)) = k([x_1, z_1], [x_2, z_2])$$

Composition: priors

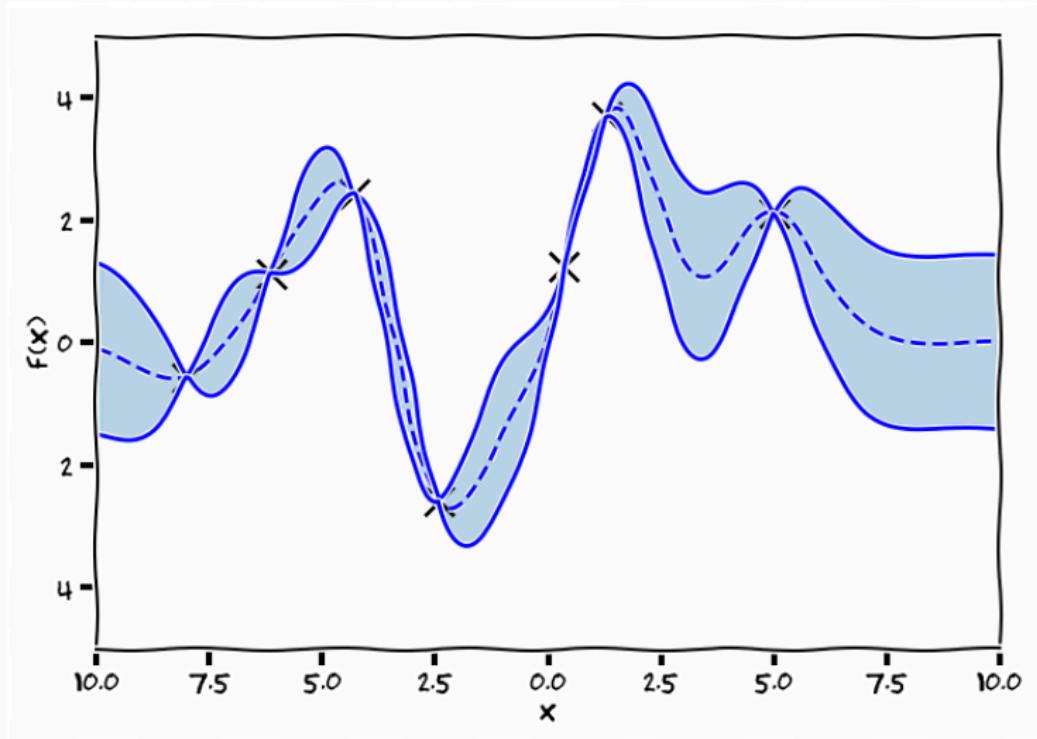


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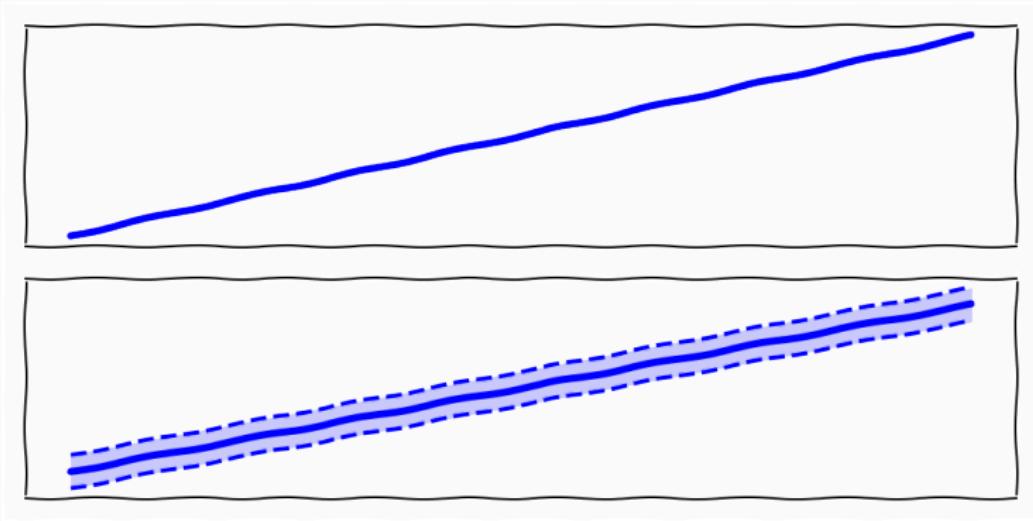


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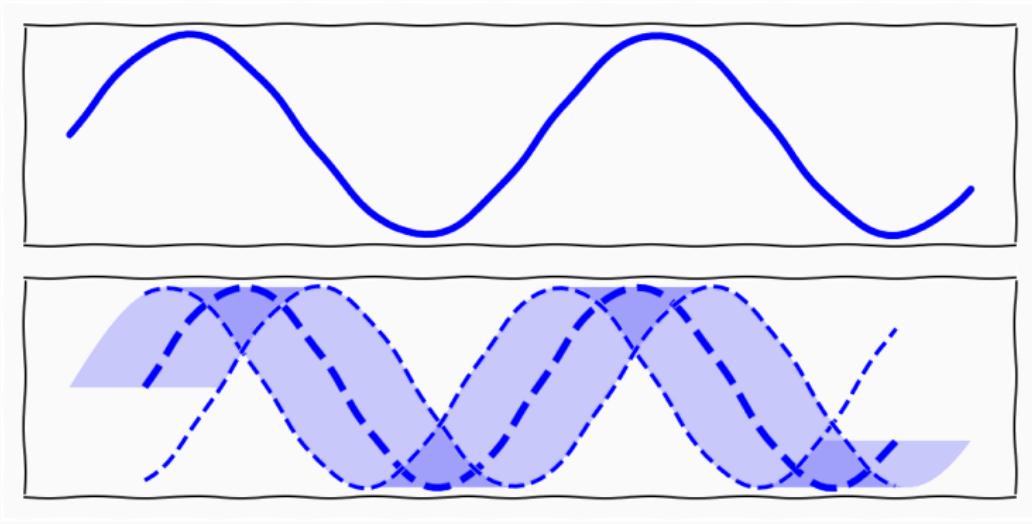
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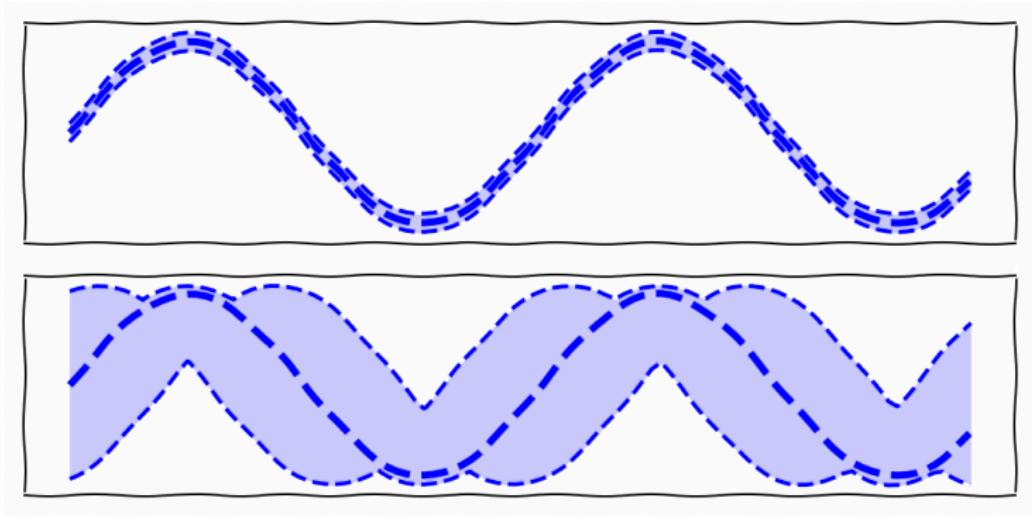
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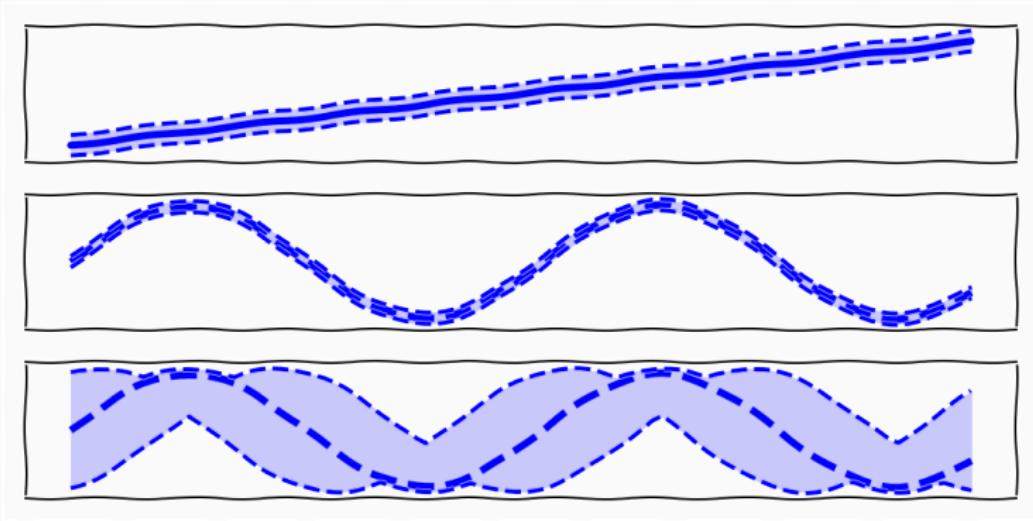
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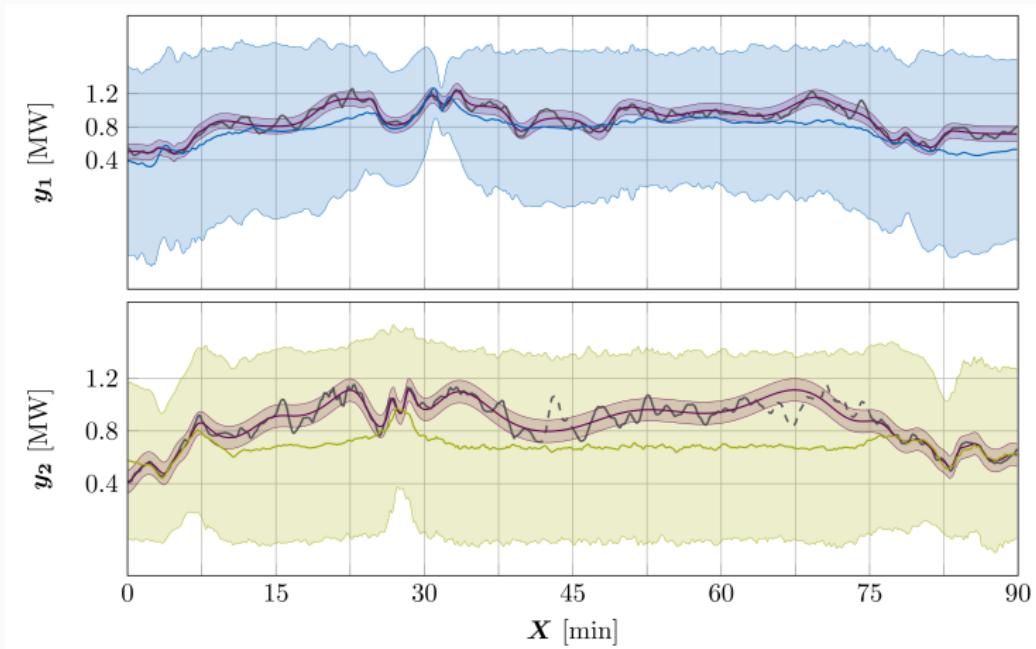
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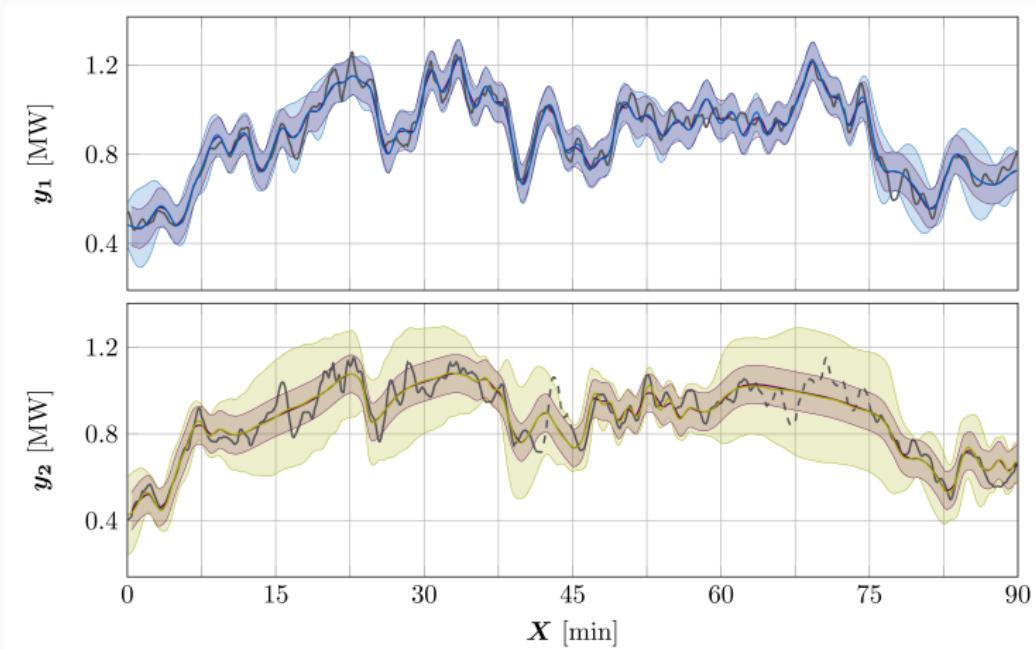
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