

$\kappa + \lambda$ is the combined precision, such that $\frac{1}{\kappa + \lambda}$ is the combined variance.

The integral over μ of a normal PDF is 1, over whole range. The integral removes μ -terms, leaving us with y , v , κ and λ . The integral that way to solve is:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\kappa + \lambda)\left(\mu - \frac{\kappa y + \lambda v}{\kappa + \lambda}\right)^2\right) d\mu \quad \text{as we plug a back in}$$

(a way found in eq. (2)).

This integral is the Gaussian kernel. The result is (where 2π is a normaliser): $\left(\frac{2\pi}{\kappa + \lambda}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$. In addition to using 2π to normalise, we add the variance as well. In our case, the variance is $\frac{1}{\text{combined precision}} = \frac{1}{\kappa + \lambda}$.

An increase in the combined precision causes a decrease in the variance, in turn tightening the spread of the distribution.

The normalisation factor, here $\left(\frac{2\pi}{\kappa + \lambda}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ensures that $f(y|H_1)$ obeys the property of Gaussian PDFs that the integral over the range of all possible values sums up to 1.

Plugging this back in the normal distribution, we obtain:

$$f(y|H_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y, \mu) f(\mu) d\mu$$

$$f(y|H_1) = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\kappa + \lambda}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\kappa \lambda}{\kappa + \lambda} (y - v)^2\right)$$