
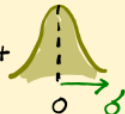


# Normal distributions

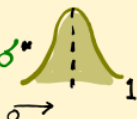
Centred parameterisation

$$y = N(\mu, \sigma) = \text{graph}$$


A grand mean and a distribution (partly non centred)

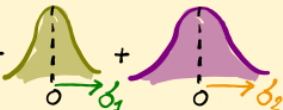
$$y = \mu + N(0, \sigma) = \mu + \text{graph}$$


Non centred parameterisation

$$y = \mu + \sigma * N(0, 1) = \mu + \sigma * \text{graph}$$


A grand mean and multiple distributions

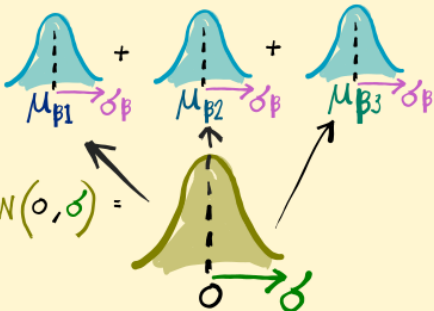
$$y = \mu + N(0, \sigma_1) + N(0, \sigma_2) =$$


$$\mu + \text{graph} + \text{graph}$$


Multiple levels of hierarchy

Version 1 – one normal distribution per hierarchical level

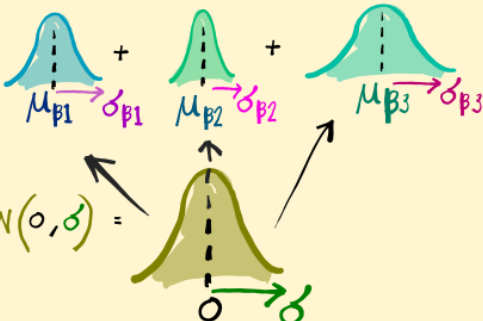
$$y = \mu + N(\mu_{\beta 1}, \sigma_{\beta}) + N(\mu_{\beta 2}, \sigma_{\beta}) + N(\mu_{\beta 3}, \sigma_{\beta}) =$$

$$\mu + \text{graph} + \text{graph} + \text{graph}$$


$$\mu_{\beta} = N(0, \sigma) = \text{graph}$$


Version 2 – one normal distribution for the first hierarchical level, but multiple distributions for the second level

$$y = \mu + N(\mu_{\beta 1}, \sigma_{\beta 1}) + N(\mu_{\beta 2}, \sigma_{\beta 2}) + N(\mu_{\beta 3}, \sigma_{\beta 3}) =$$

$$\mu + \text{graph} + \text{graph} + \text{graph}$$


$$\mu_{\beta} = N(0, \sigma) = \text{graph}$$
