# Probabilistic Artificial Intelligence Tutorial 3: Gaussian Processes

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# Objective

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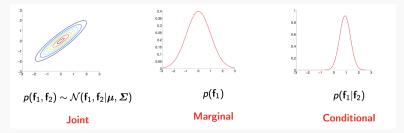
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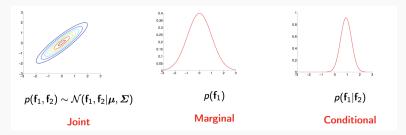
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$$p(\mathbf{f_1} \mid \mathbf{f_2} = \mathbf{a}) = \mathcal{N}(\bar{\mu}, \bar{\Sigma})$$
$$\bar{\mu} = \mu_1 + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(\mathbf{a} - \mu_2)$$
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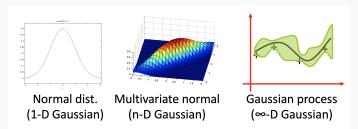
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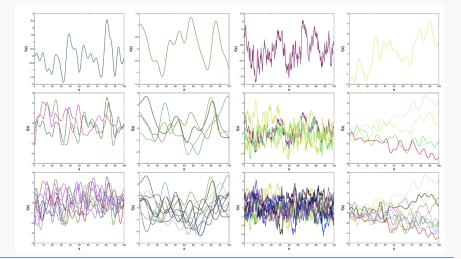


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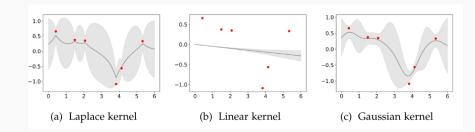
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#### Bayesian Linear Regression and GPs

- ▶ Dataset  $\{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$  of points  $x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathbb{R}$
- ightharpoonup Feature map  $\phi: \mathcal{X} 
  ightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$
- Our model

$$y = \phi(x)^T \mathbf{w} + \epsilon, \qquad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2)$$

Prior knowledge:

$$\mathbf{w} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}_d \sigma_p^2)$$

ightharpoonup Objective: predict y distribution in a new point  $x^*$ 

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#### GP vs BLR

► Bayesian Linear Regression

$$\mathbb{E}[y^*] = \phi(x^*)^T \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} + \frac{1}{\sigma_p^2} \mathbf{I}_d \right)^{-1} \mathbf{\Phi}^T y_{1:m}$$
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Gaussian Process

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► Kernel formula:

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$$k(x, x') = \sigma_p^2 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi(x)_i \phi(x')_i < \infty$$

Gaussian Kernel / Laplace Kernel / Matérn kernel

# GP regression in practice

demo Here

#### Kalman filters?

Recap of Kalman filter and reference to hw task

#### Links

- ▶ Derivations of BLR and GPs: Link
- ► GP visualization notebook: Link