

# Tutorial 10

## Problem 10.12 - Gaussian Process Regression - nonlinear Bayesian regression

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### Bayesian Regression

prior  $p(\theta) = N(\theta | 0, \Gamma)$

Given data  $\{X, y\} = D$

compute posterior:

$$p(\theta | D) = N(\theta | \hat{\mu}_\theta, \hat{\Sigma}_\theta)$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mu}_\theta = (\Gamma^{-1} + \Phi \Sigma^{-1} \Phi^T)^{-1} \Phi \Sigma^{-1} y \\ \hat{\Sigma}_\theta = (\Gamma^{-1} + \Phi \Sigma^{-1} \Phi^T)^{-1} \end{cases}$$

$$\Phi = [\phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n)]$$

compute predictive distribution given  $x_*$

$$p(f_* | x_*, D) = N(f_* | \hat{\mu}_*, \hat{\Sigma}_*^2)$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mu}_* = \phi(x_*)^T \hat{\mu}_\theta \\ \hat{\Sigma}_*^2 = \phi(x_*)^T \hat{\Sigma}_\theta \phi(x_*) \end{cases}$$

b)  $\hat{\Sigma}_*^2 = \phi_*^T \hat{\Sigma}_\theta \phi_*$

$$= \phi_*^T (\underbrace{\Gamma^{-1}}_{A^{-1}} + \underbrace{\Phi \Sigma^{-1} \Phi^T}_{U C^{-1} V^T})^{-1} \phi_*$$

Matrix inversion lemma:

$$(A^{-1} + U C^{-1} V^T)^{-1} = A - A U (C + V^T A U)^{-1} V^T A$$

a) Assume  $\Sigma = \sigma^2 I$

$$\hat{\mu}_* = \phi(x_*)^T \hat{\mu}_\theta$$

$$= \underbrace{\phi(x_*)^T}_{\phi_*} \underbrace{(\Gamma^{-1} + \Phi (\sigma^2 I)^{-1} \Phi^T)^{-1}}_{\substack{p^{-1} + B^T R^{-1} B \\ \text{DxD inverse}}} \underbrace{\Phi (\sigma^2 I)^{-1} y}_{\substack{B^T R^{-1} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} y}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \phi_*^T (\Gamma^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Phi \Phi^T)^{-1} \Phi y$$

Matrix inverse identity:

$$(P^{-1} + B^T R^{-1} B)^{-1} B^T R^{-1} = P B^T (B P B^T + R)^{-1}$$

$$= \phi_*^T (\Gamma \Phi (\Phi^T \Gamma \Phi + \sigma^2 I)^{-1}) y$$

$$\hat{\mu}_* = \underbrace{\phi_*^T \Gamma \Phi}_{\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times N}} (\underbrace{(\Phi^T \Gamma \Phi + \sigma^2 I)^{-1}}_{N \times N \text{ inverse}}) y$$

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1) define  $k(x_i, x_j) = \phi(x_i)^T \Gamma \phi(x_j)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Kernel matrix:  $\Phi^T \Gamma \Phi = K$   $\leftarrow$  kernel function for training data  $X$   
 $\Rightarrow$  test kernel vector:  $\Phi^T \Gamma \phi_* = k_*$   $\leftarrow$  kernel b/w  $x_*$  &  $X$   
 $\Rightarrow$  test kernel:  $\phi_*^T \Gamma \phi_* = k_{**}$   $\leftarrow$  kernel b/w  $x_*$  & itself

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rightarrow \hat{\mu}_* &= k_*^T (K + \delta^2 I)^{-1} y \\
 \rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_*^2 &= k_{**} - k_*^T (K + \delta^2 I)^{-1} k_*
 \end{aligned}$$

Gaussian process regression

Define

$$z = (K + \delta^2 I)^{-1} y$$

then,

$$\hat{\mu}_* = z^T k_* = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i k(x_i, x_*)$$

mean of function  $\rightarrow$  linear combo of kernels w/ weights  $z_i$

Suppose  $k(x_i, x_j) = x_i^T x_j$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\mu}_* = \sum_i z_i (x_i^T x_*) = \underbrace{\left( \sum_i z_i x_i^T \right)}_{a^T} x_* = a^T x_*$$

linear function

Suppose  $k(x_i, x_j) = (x_i^T x_j + 1)^2$

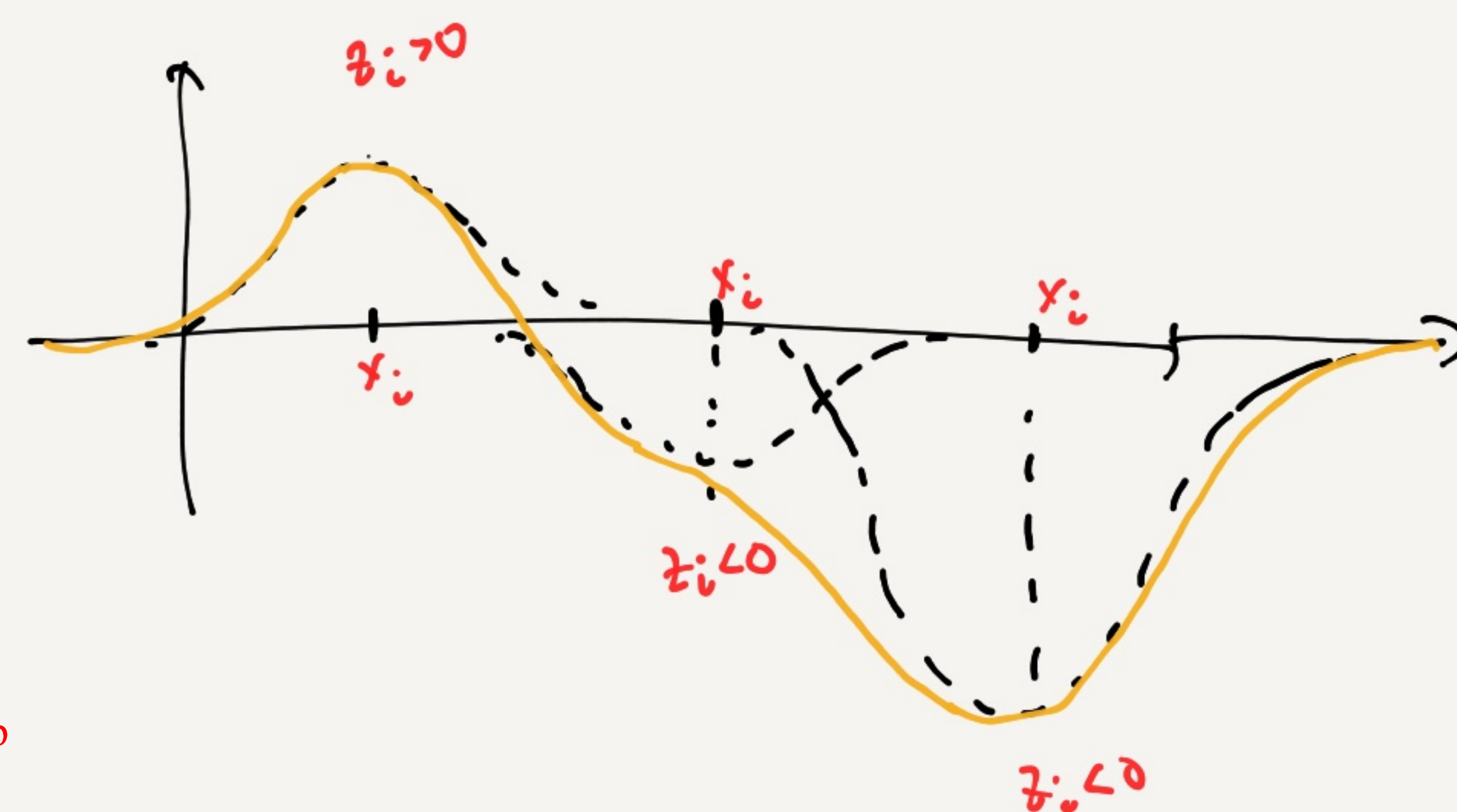
$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \hat{\mu}_* &= \sum_i z_i (x_i^T x_* + 1)^2 = \sum_i z_i (x_*^T x_i)^2 + 2x_*^T x_* + 1 \\
 &= \sum_i z_i (\underline{x_*^T x_i} \underline{x_i^T x_*} + 2x_i^T x_* + 1) = x_*^T \underbrace{\left( \sum_i z_i x_i x_i^T \right)}_A x_* + 2 \underbrace{\left( \sum_i z_i x_i \right)^T}_{b^T} x_* + \underbrace{\sum_i z_i}_c
 \end{aligned}$$

quadratic function

Suppose RBF kernel  $k(x_i, x_j) = e^{-\alpha \|x_i - x_j\|^2}$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\mu}_* = \sum_i z_i e^{-\alpha \|x_* - x_i\|^2}$$

weight Gaussian centered at  $x_i$  like KDE



"weight-space interpretation"

Gaussian process = prior on functions where every subset of  $x$ 's are m.v. Gaussian w/ covariance based on kernel function.

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