

# Bayesian Neural Networks for GW parameter Estimation

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# Spotlights

- Hands-on Linear Regression Model
- Bayesian Neural Network on GW Parameter Estimation

# Backgrounds

- Assume Likelihood function on noisy observations  $x$ :

$$p(x | m_1, m_2)$$

- Assume flat prior on parameters (e.g. masses  $m_1, m_2$ )

$$p(m_1, m_2)$$

- Apply Bayesian rules to achieve the the posterior of the parameters

$$p(m_1, m_2 | x) \propto p(x | m_1, m_2)p(m_1, m_2)$$

# Backgrounds

- Posterior function is not easy to evaluate due to difficulties in exploring the whole space of the parameters (**red** and **blue**)-> use MCMC sampling instead  
-> time-consuming

$$p(m_1, m_2 | x) = \frac{p(x | m_1, m_2)p(m_1, m_2)}{p(x)}$$

- We can make improvements with Bayesian Neural Networks!

# Content

- Hands-on Linear Regression Model
- Apply ideas from Linear Regression on GW parameter Estimation

# Resource

**[https://github.com/skyve2012/  
BayesianNetTutorial](https://github.com/skyve2012/BayesianNetTutorial)**

# Linear Regression

- Consider the following problem:

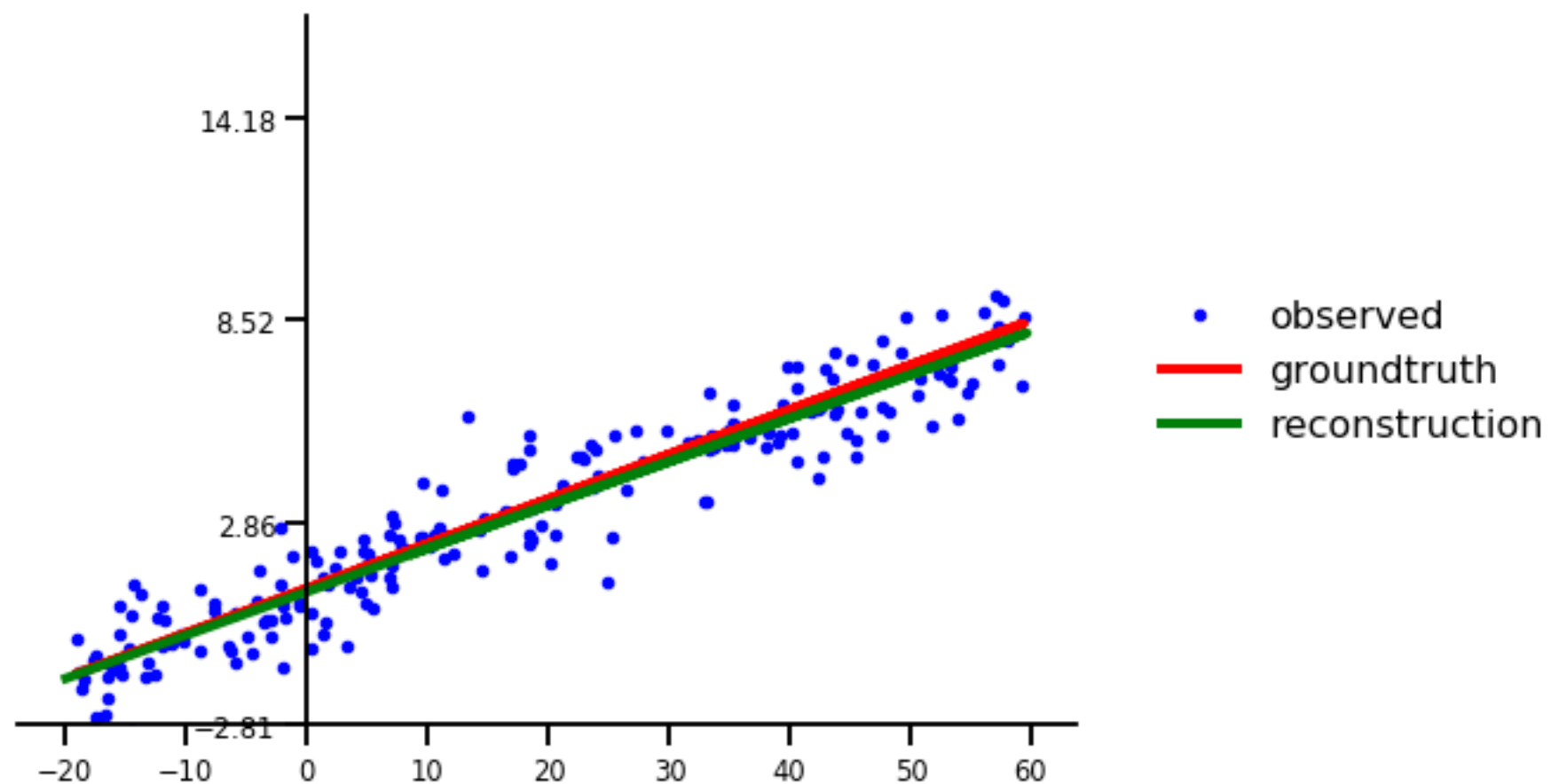
$$y = ax + b + \epsilon$$

- $y$  and  $x$  are data;  $a$  and  $b$  are parameters to be learned.  $\epsilon$  is universal noise across all values of  $x$  (0 mean, fixed variance)
- Best solution is least square under the linear assumption in the true model.

$$\min_{a,b} ||ax + b - y||^2 = \max_{a,b} p(y | x; a, b)$$

$$p(y | x; a, b) \sim N(ax + b, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2)$$

# Example





# Linear Regression

- What if the problem is slightly changed:

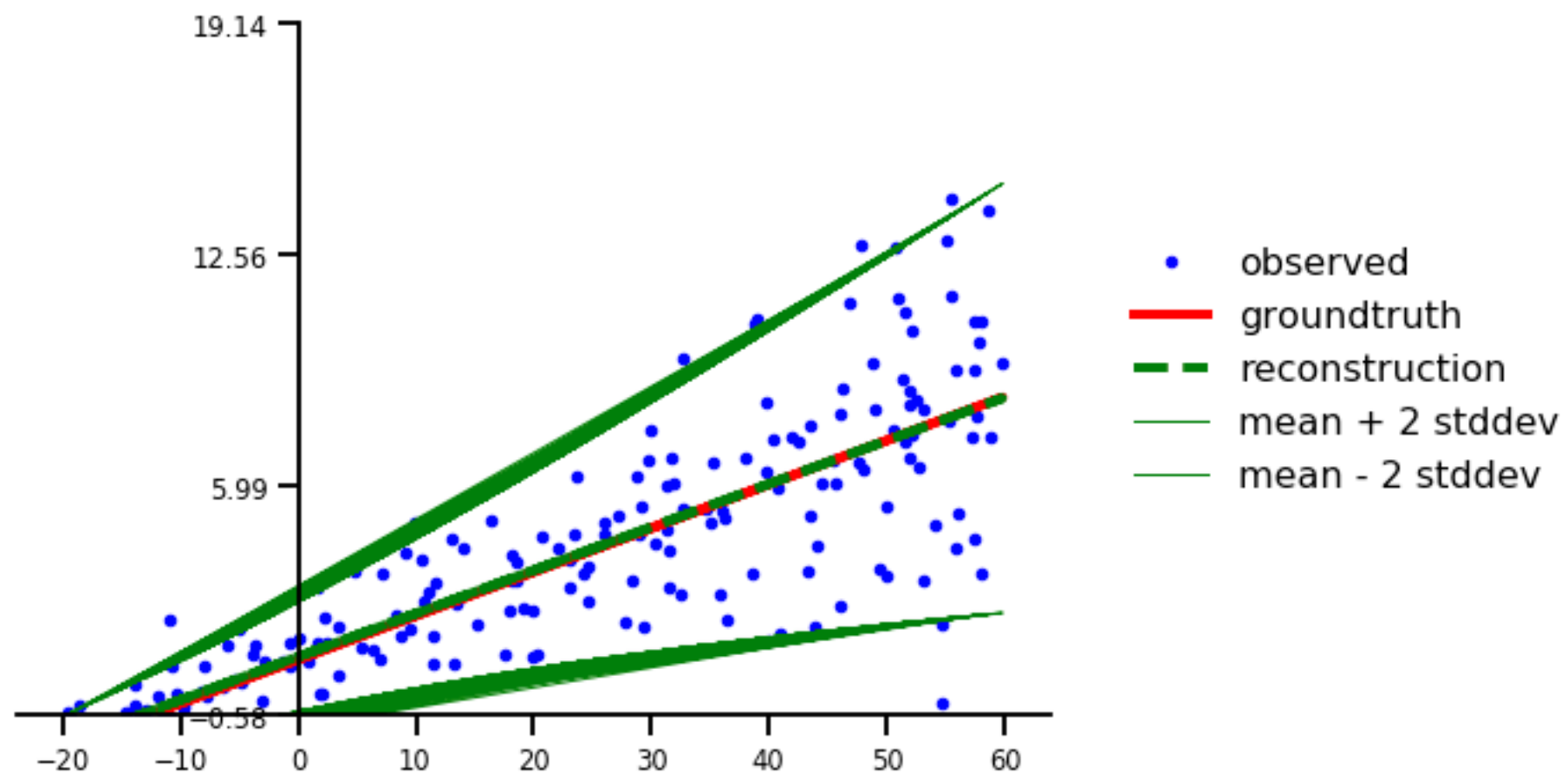
$$y = ax + b + \epsilon(x)$$

- $\epsilon$  is dependent on  $x$  in this case (0 mean).
- One way is to use weighted least square
- The other way is to treat  $\epsilon(x) = \epsilon_{\theta}(x)$

$$\max_{a,b,\theta} p(y | x; a, b, \theta)$$

$$p(y | x; a, b, \theta) \sim N(ax + b, \sigma_{\epsilon_{\theta}(x)}^2)$$

# Example



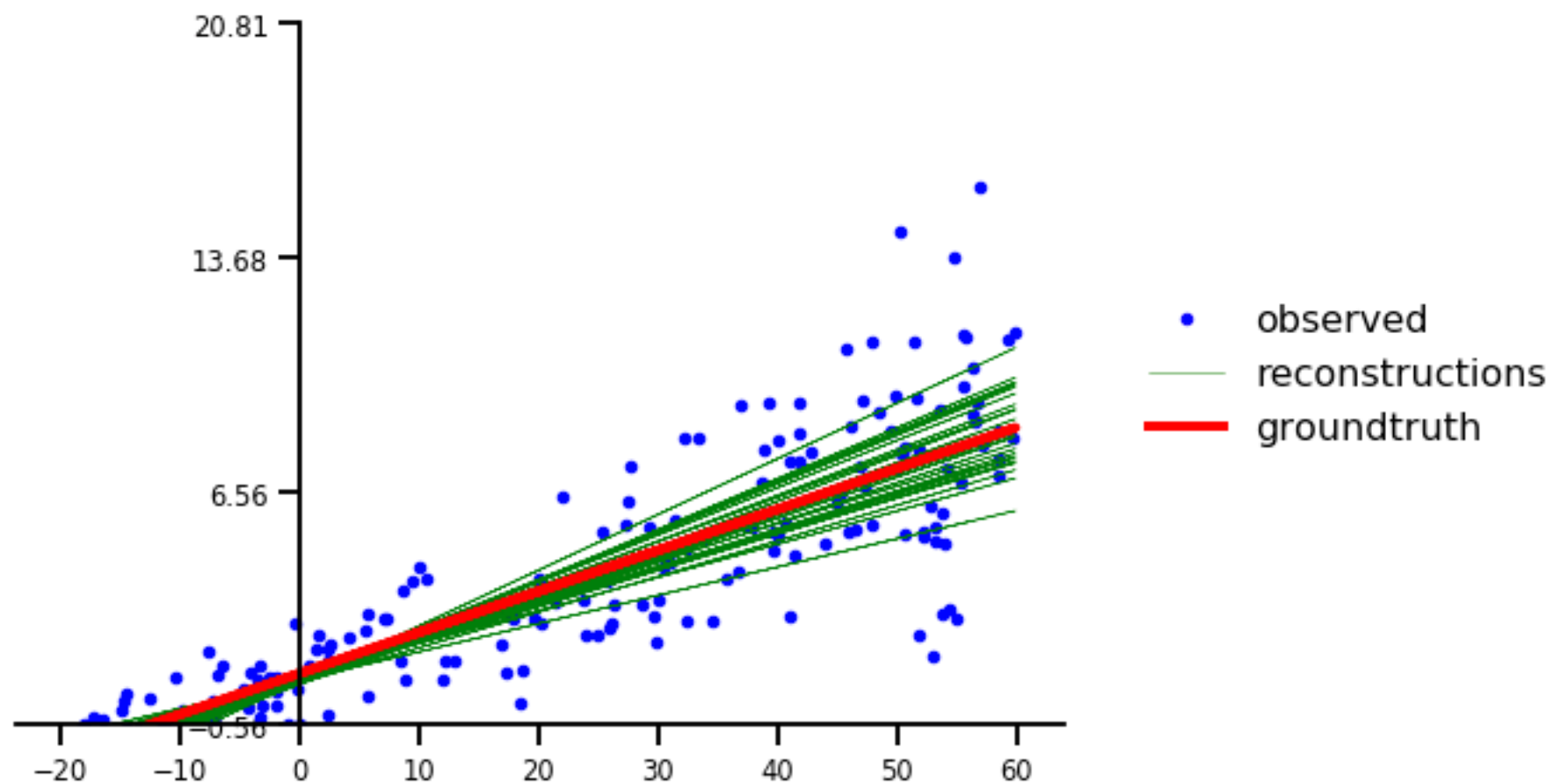
# Linear Regression

- What if we want to also consider the variance on the estimation  $\hat{a}, \hat{b}$  given the distribution of the data:  $p(x, y)$ . Or equivalently,  $p(a, b | x)$ .
- Consider the previous problem:  $\max_{a, b, \theta} p(y | x; a, b, \theta)$
- We re-write the problem as:  $\max_{\theta, w} p(y | x; \theta, w)$

$$p(y | x; \theta, w) = \int_{a, b} p(y | a, b, x; \theta) p_w(a, b | x) da db$$

- The blue part is can be learned via Variational Inference

# Example



# Linear Regression

**Demo**

# GW Parameter Estimation

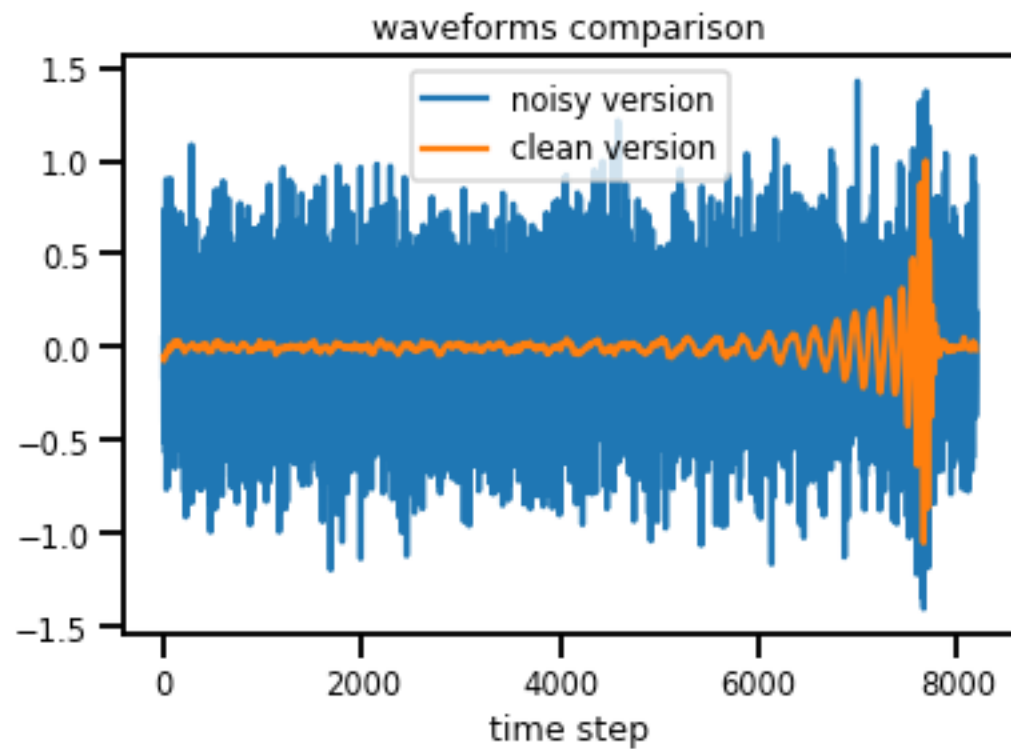
- This is no difference to the linear regression
- Linear Regression:  $y = ax + b + \epsilon(x)$
- GW Parameter Estimation:  $y = f(x) + \epsilon(x)$  ,  $y = f(x, \epsilon(x))$
- Assume we have a parameterized model  $\hat{f}_\tau(x)$ :

$$\max_{\theta, w} p(y | x; \theta, w)$$

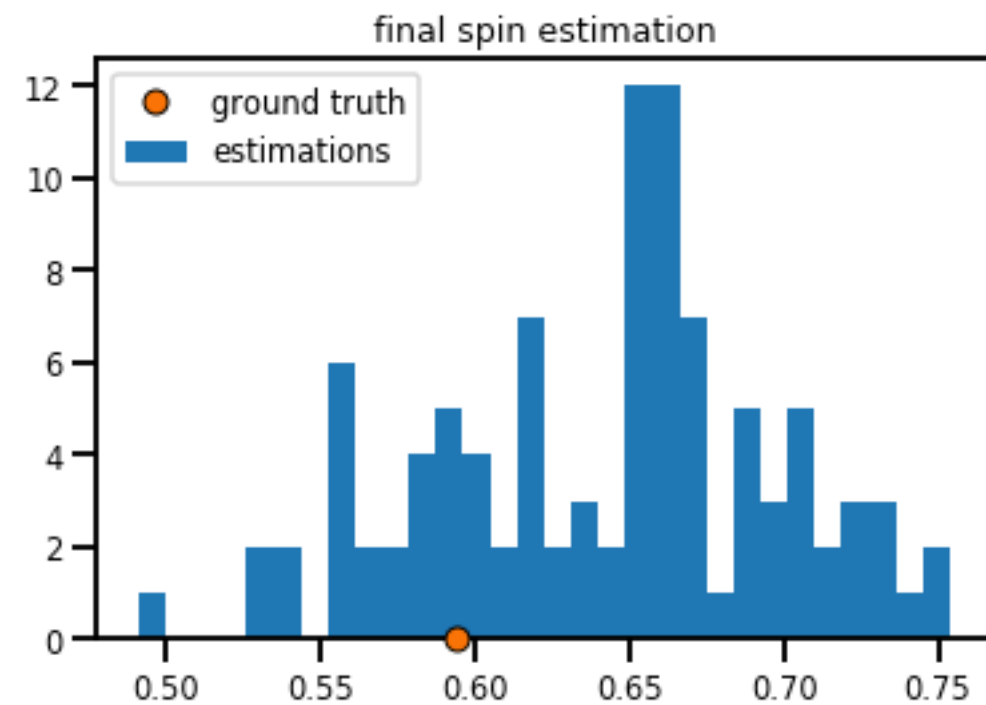
$$p(y | x; \theta, w) = \int_{\tau} p(y | \tau, x; \theta) p_w(\tau | x) d\tau$$

# Example

Noisy Waveform



Estimated Final Spin



# GW Parameter Estimation

**Demo**