



## Lesson 2: Practice Quiz

Practice Quiz, 5 questions

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Congratulations! You passed!

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1.

The method of maximum likelihood gives the same parameter estimates as the method of least squares for any measurement noise distribution.



True



False

**Correct**

Correct! The noise must be from the Gaussian family.

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2.

The product of several Gaussian PDFs with identical variances is also Gaussian.



True

**Correct**

Correct! We used this fact to derive the connection between maximum likelihood and least squares.



False

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3.

The least squares criterion is robust to outliers.



True



False

**Correct**

Correct! Least squares is particularly sensitive to outliers due to the use of squared errors!

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4.

For a scalar Gaussian random variable, what is the form of the full log likelihood function?

 $-\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x - \mu)^2$ 

Correct  
Correct!

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☐  $-\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \log(\sigma) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x - \mu)^2$



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5.

True or False,  $\operatorname{argmin}_x f(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_x f(-x)$ .

☐ True

☒ False

Correct

Correct!  $\operatorname{argmin}_x f(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_x -f(x)$ .

