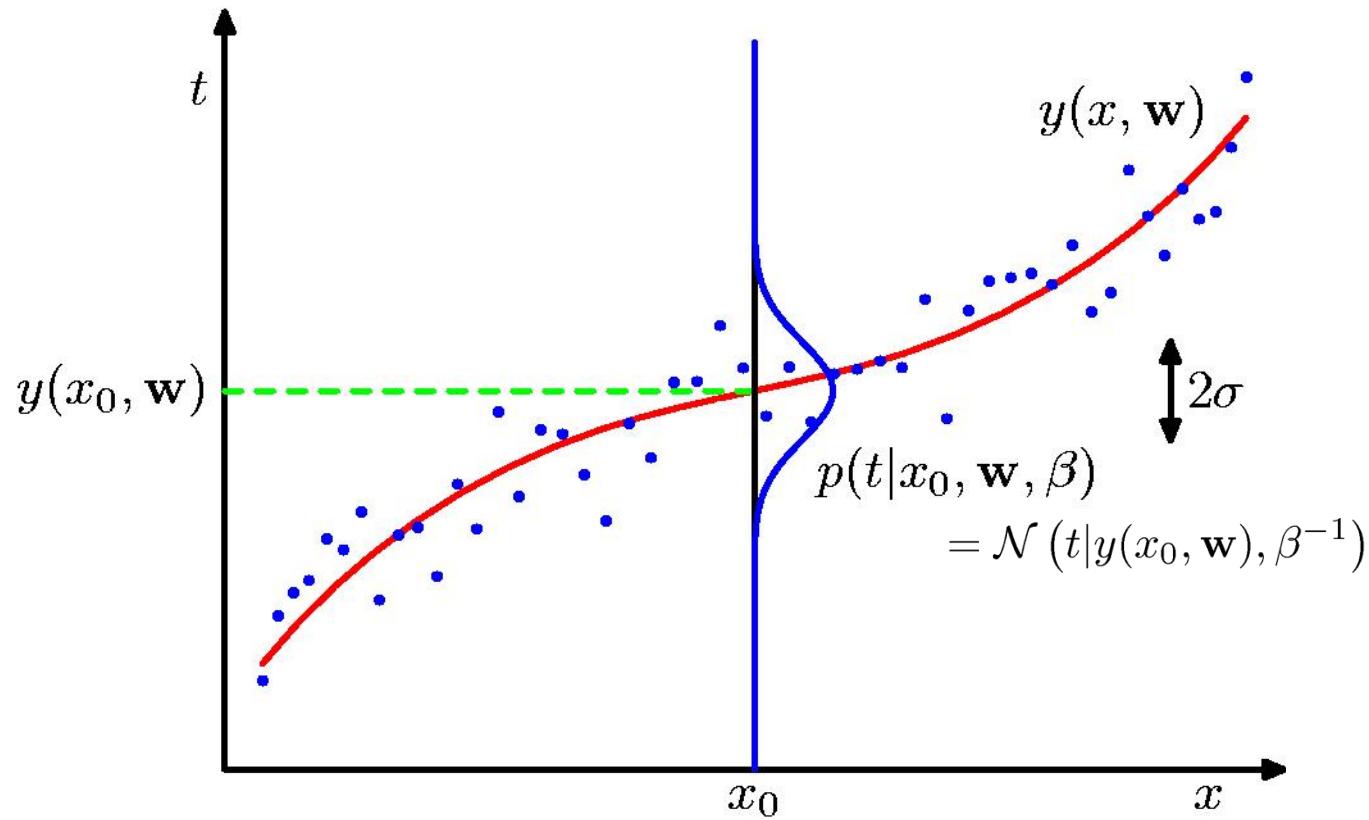
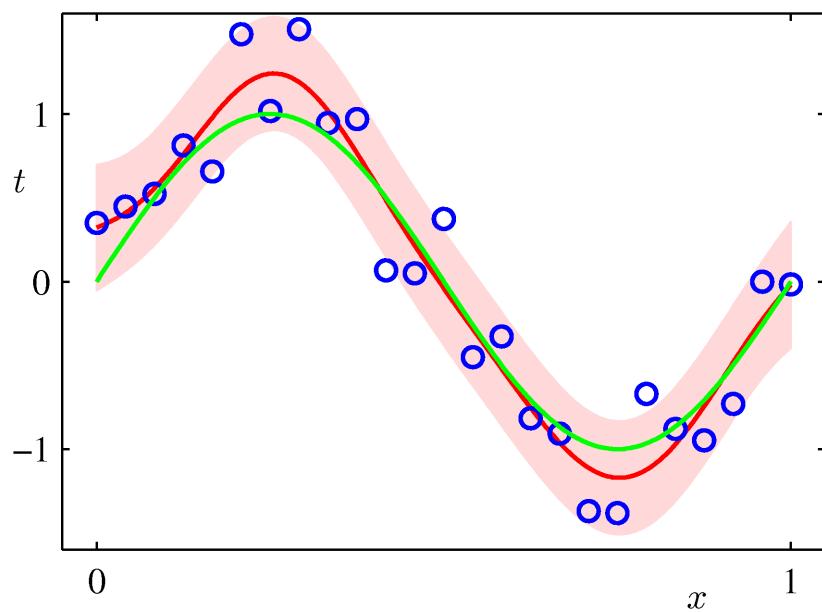


Curve fitting – cast into a probabilistic framework

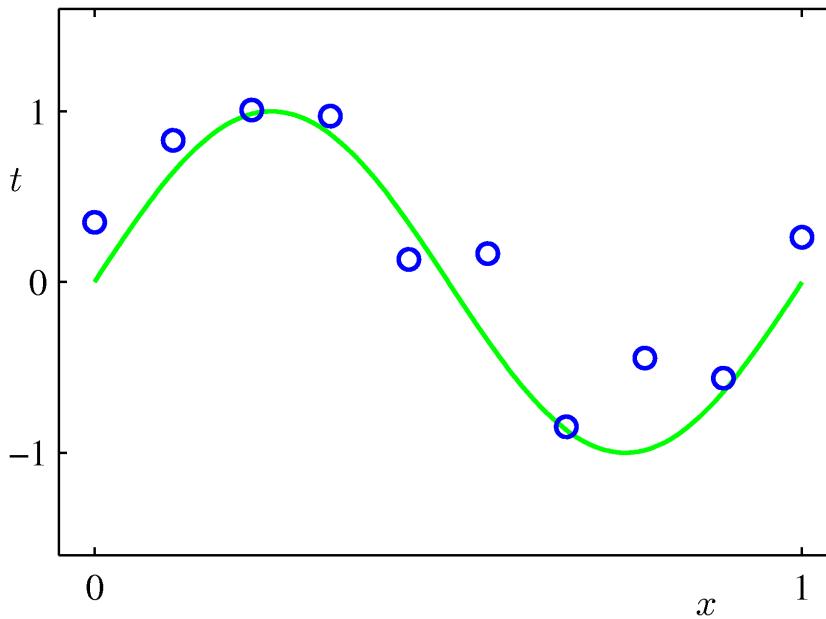


Pattern recognition: an example



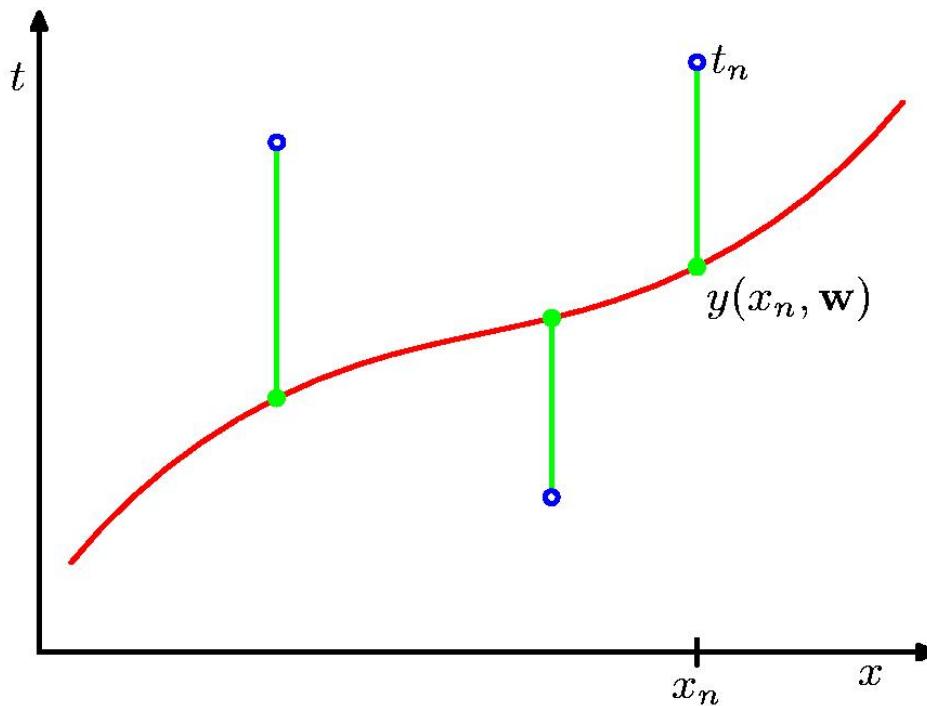
Linear Basis Function Models (1)

Example: Polynomial Curve Fitting



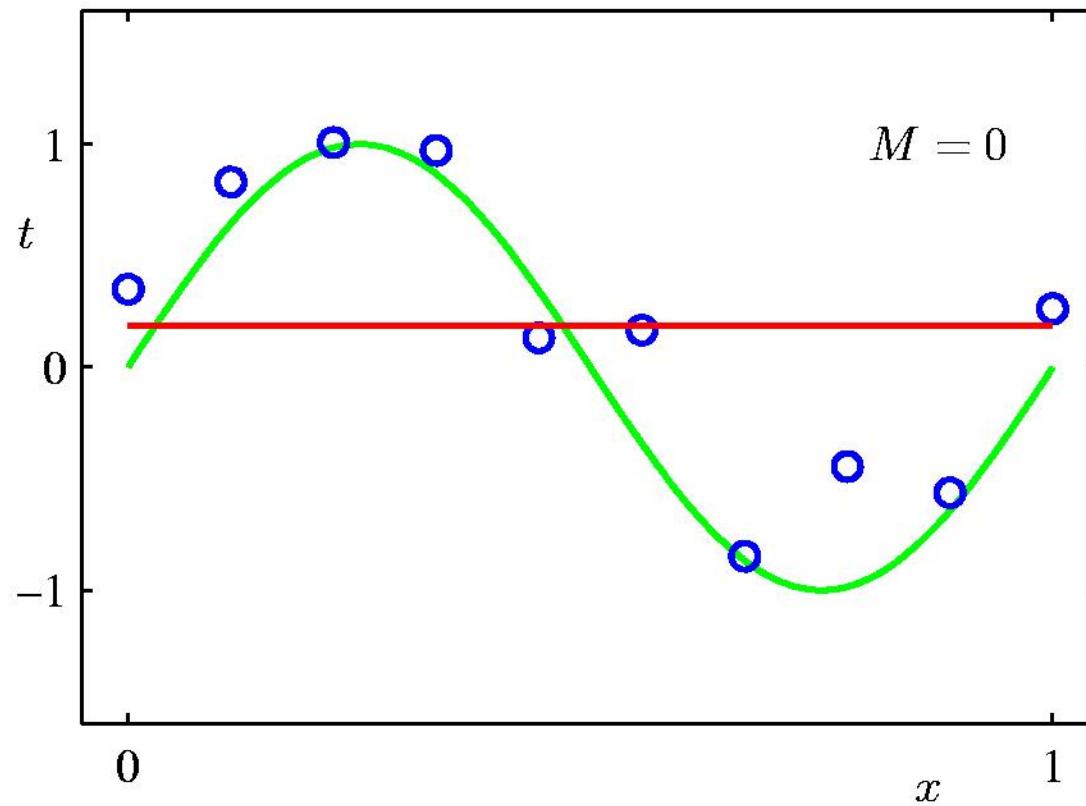
$$y(x, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + w_1 x + w_2 x^2 + \dots + w_M x^M = \sum_{j=0}^M w_j x^j$$

Sum-of-Squares Error Function

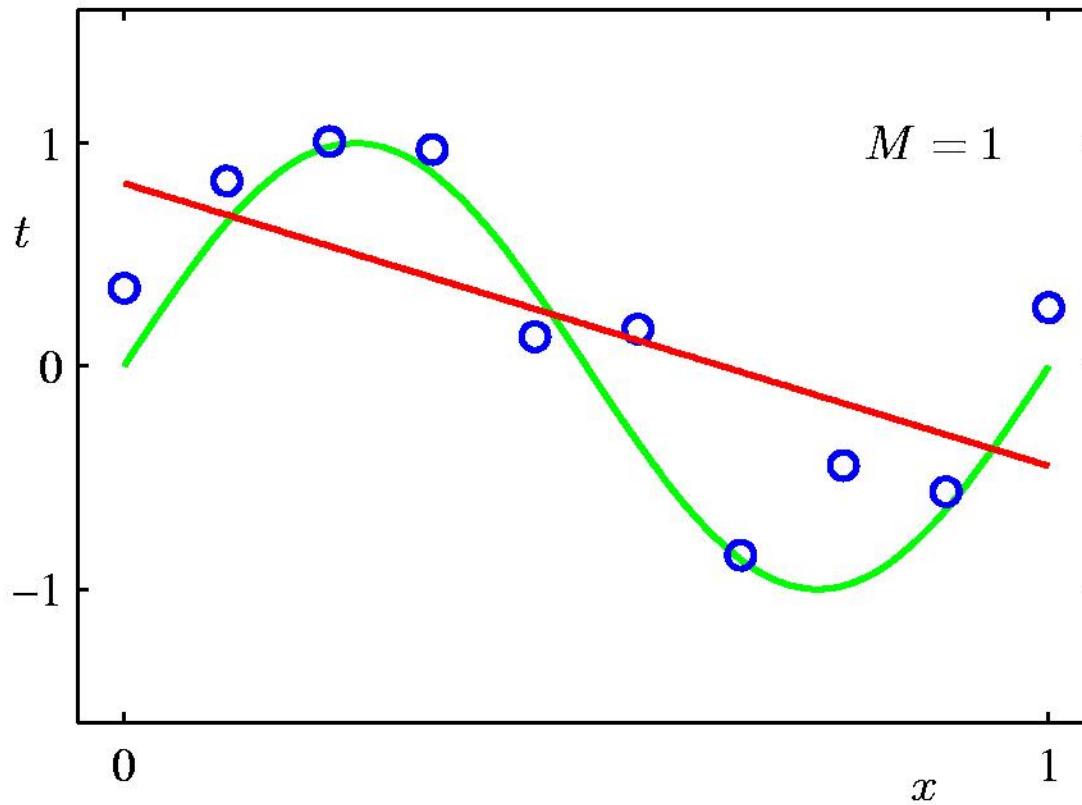


$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \{y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n\}^2$$

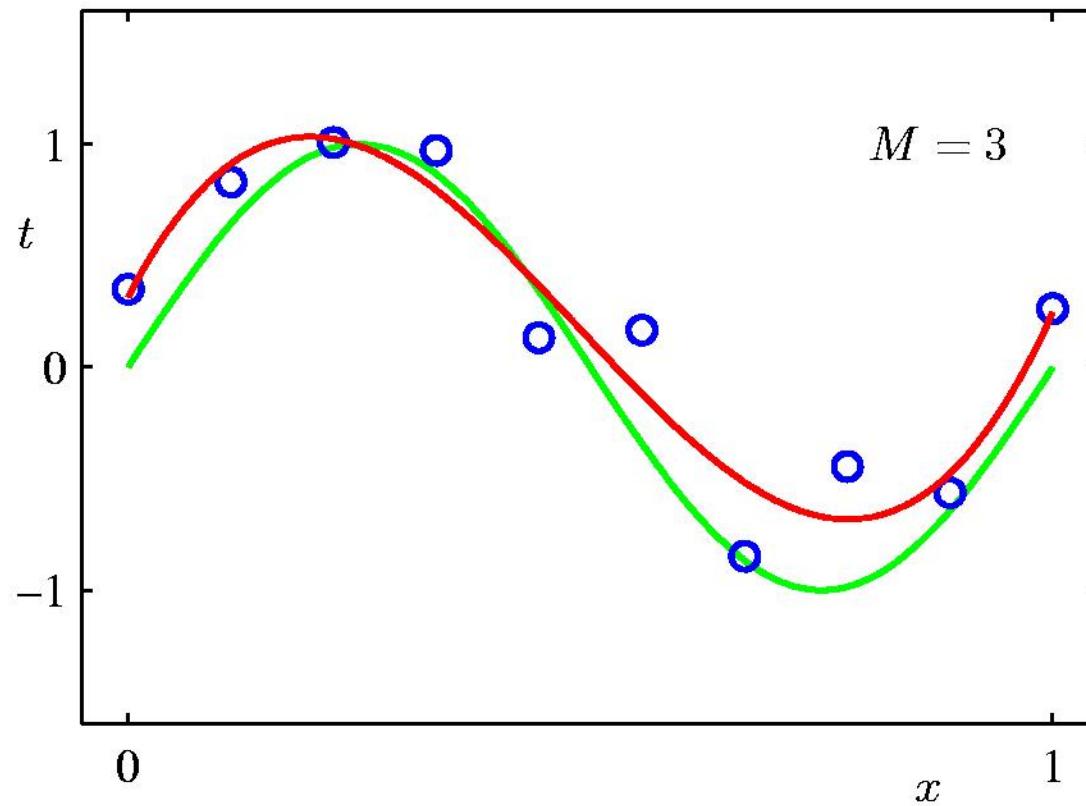
0th Order Polynomial



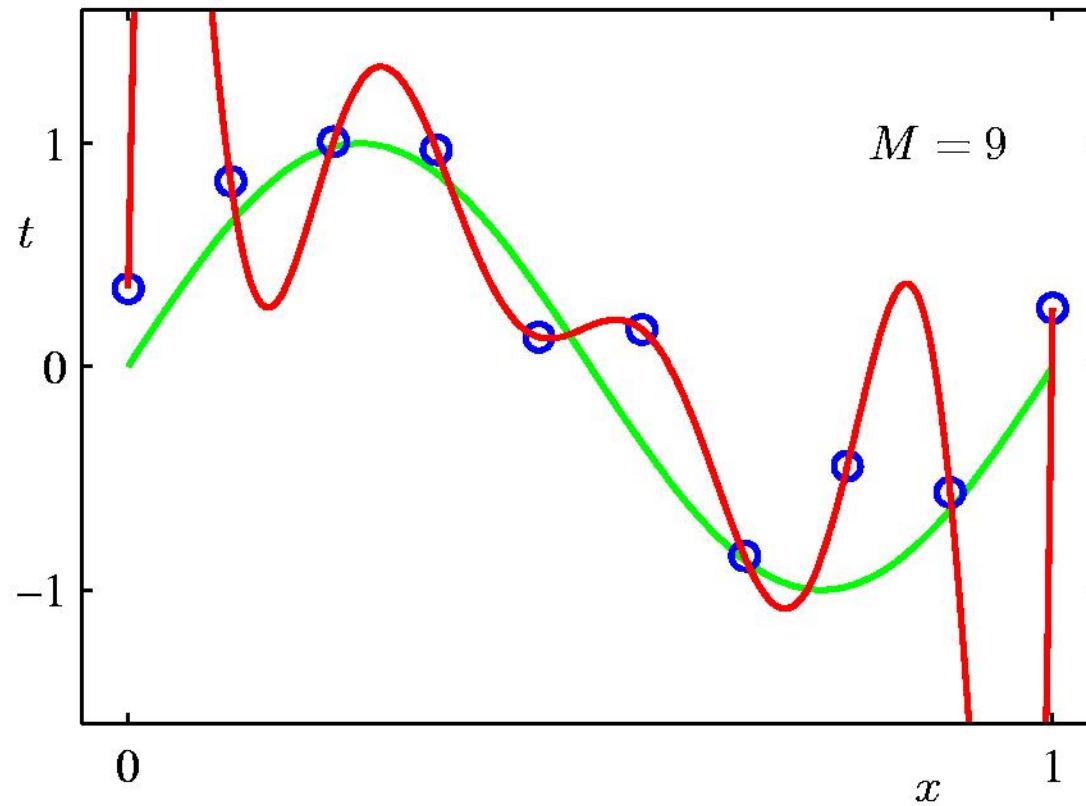
1st Order Polynomial



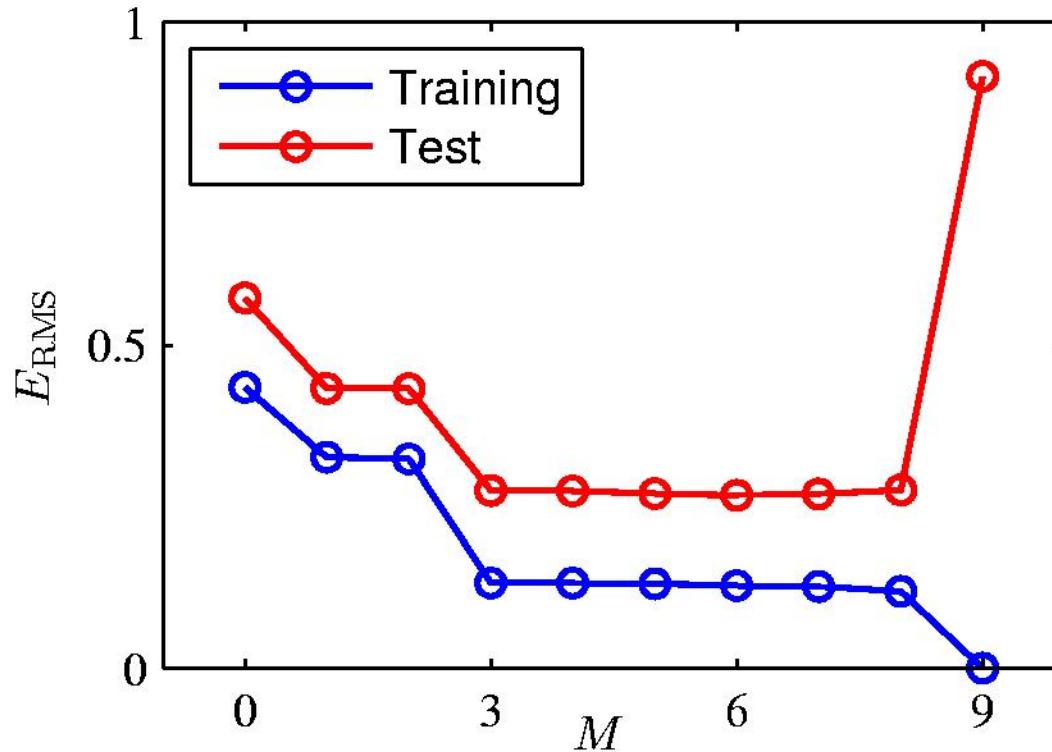
3rd Order Polynomial



9th Order Polynomial



Over-fitting



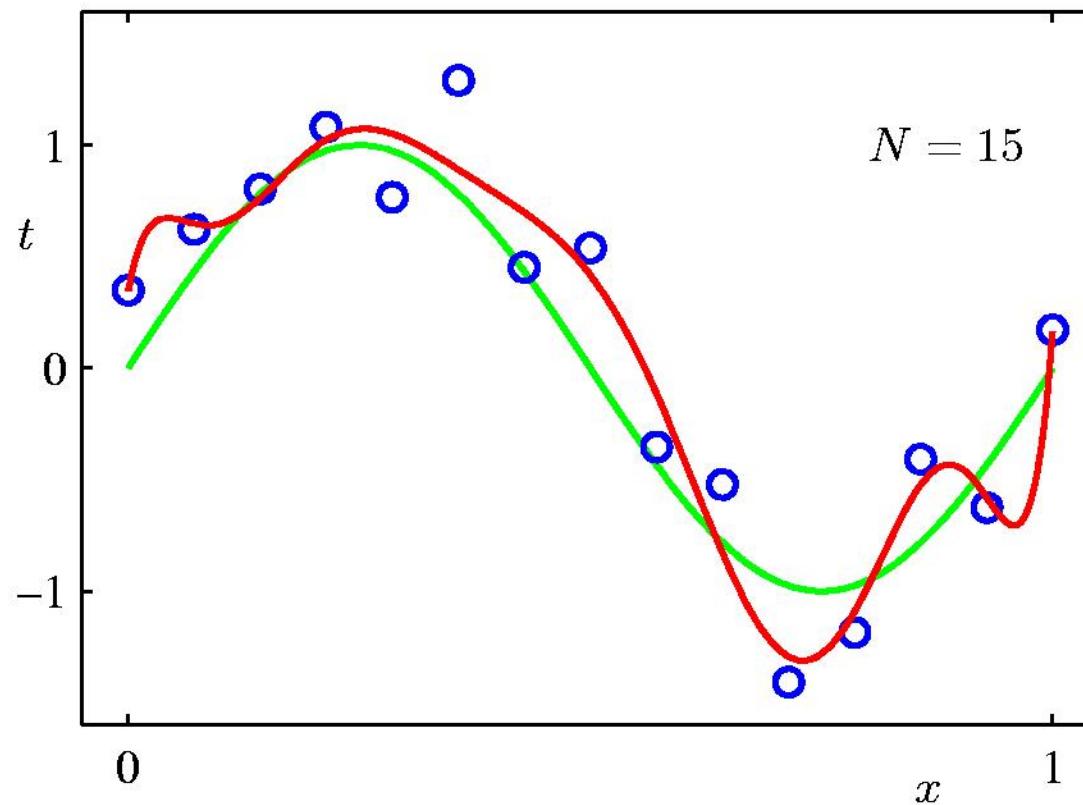
Root-Mean-Square (RMS) Error: $E_{\text{RMS}} = \sqrt{2E(\mathbf{w}^*)/N}$

Polynomial Coefficients

	$M = 0$	$M = 1$	$M = 3$	$M = 9$
w_0^*	0.19	0.82	0.31	0.35
w_1^*		-1.27	7.99	232.37
w_2^*			-25.43	-5321.83
w_3^*			17.37	48568.31
w_4^*				-231639.30
w_5^*				640042.26
w_6^*				-1061800.52
w_7^*				1042400.18
w_8^*				-557682.99
w_9^*				125201.43

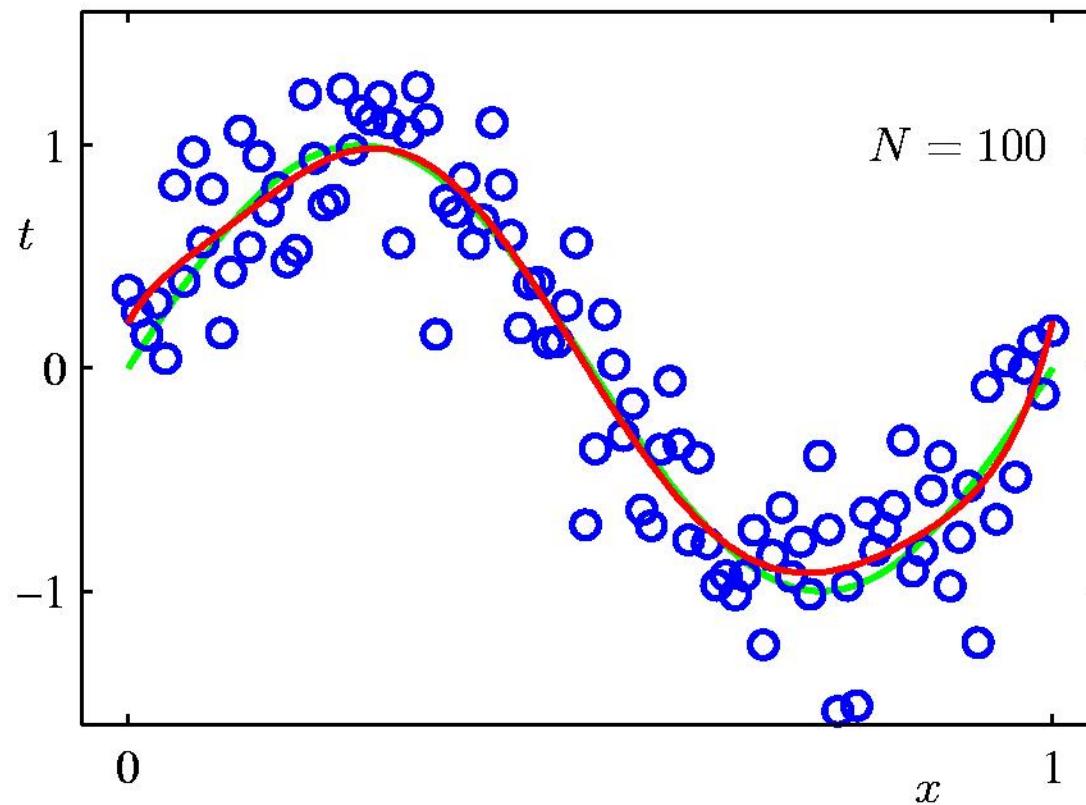
Data Set Size: $N = 15$

9th Order Polynomial



Data Set Size: $N = 100$

9th Order Polynomial

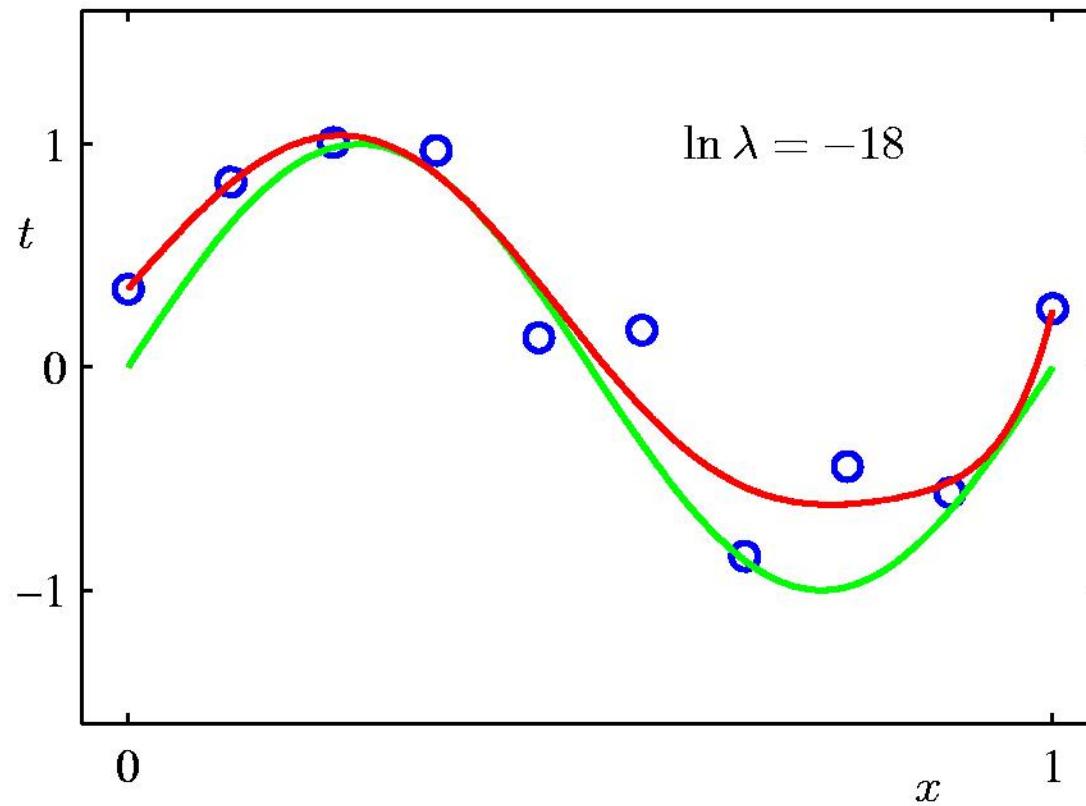


Regularization

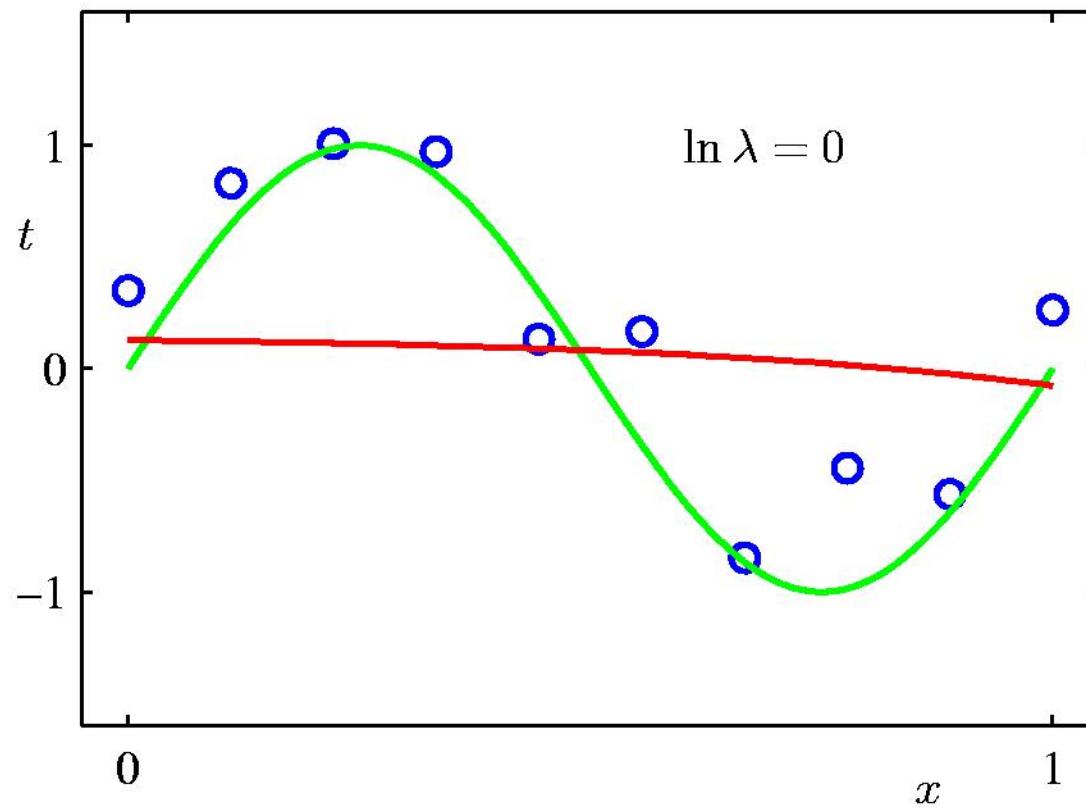
Penalize large coefficient values

$$\tilde{E}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \{y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n\}^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

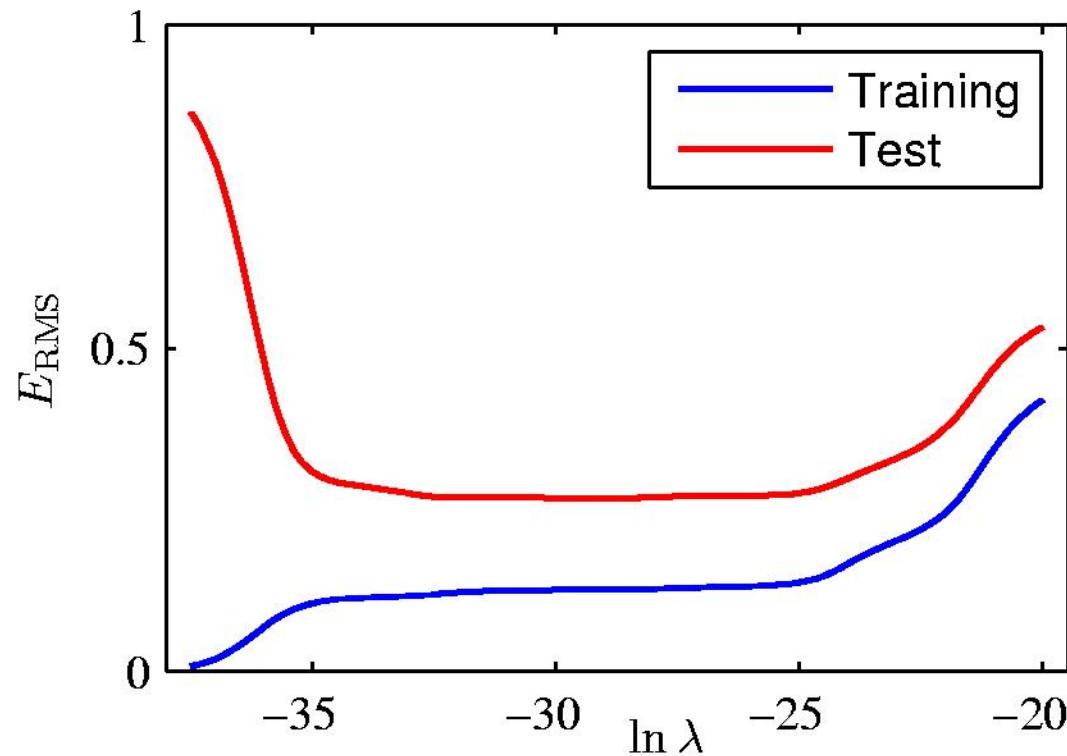
Regularization: $\ln \lambda = -18$



Regularization: $\ln \lambda = 0$

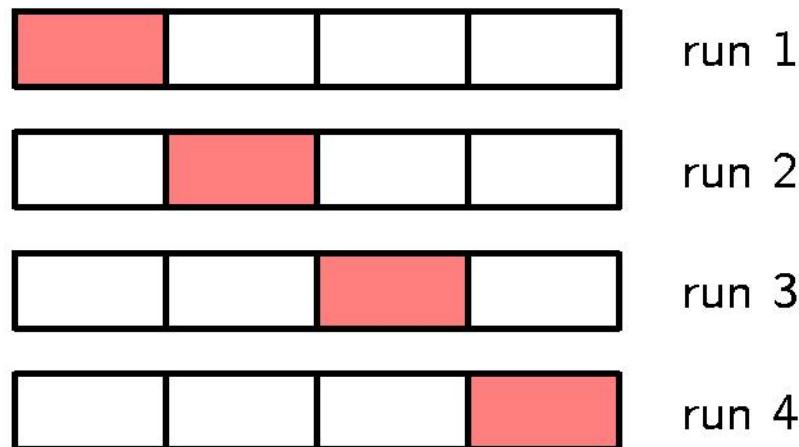


Regularization: E_{RMS} vs. $\ln \lambda$



Model Selection

Cross-Validation



The Rules of Probability

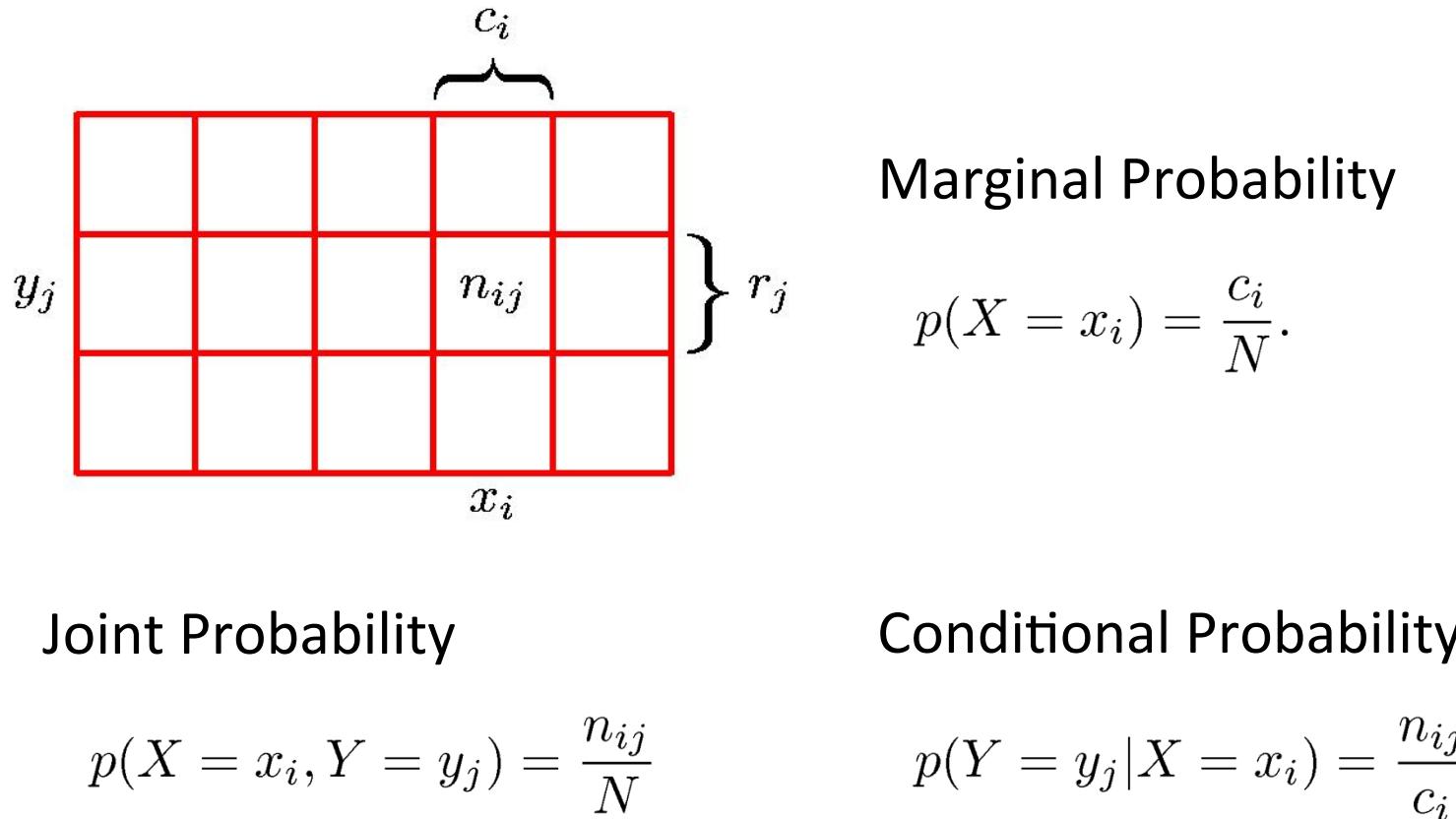
Sum Rule

$$p(X) = \sum_Y p(X, Y)$$

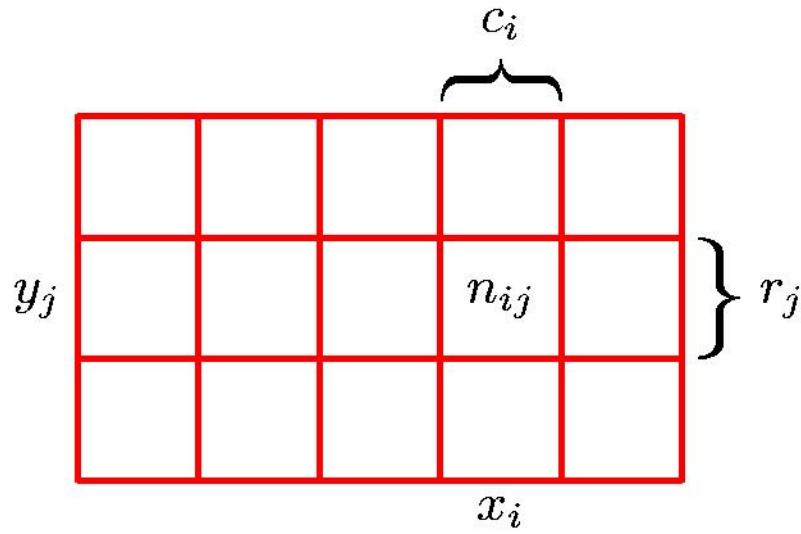
Product Rule

$$p(X, Y) = p(Y|X)p(X)$$

Probability Theory



Probability Theory



Sum Rule

$$\begin{aligned} p(X = x_i) &= \frac{c_i}{N} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^L n_{ij} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^L p(X = x_i, Y = y_j) \end{aligned}$$

Product Rule

$$\begin{aligned} p(X = x_i, Y = y_j) &= \frac{n_{ij}}{N} = \frac{n_{ij}}{c_i} \cdot \frac{c_i}{N} \\ &= p(Y = y_j | X = x_i) p(X = x_i) \end{aligned}$$

Bayes' Theorem

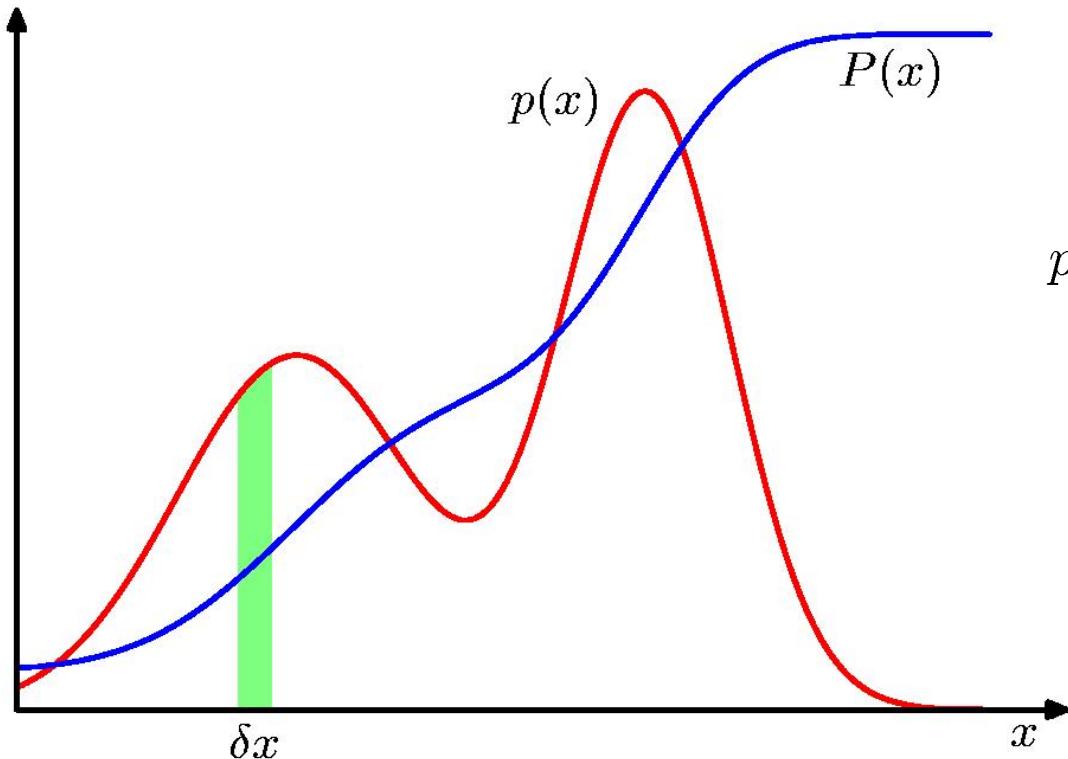
$$p(Y|X) = \frac{p(X|Y)p(Y)}{p(X)}$$

$$p(X) = \sum_Y p(X|Y)p(Y)$$

posterior \propto likelihood \times prior

Use $p(X, Y) = p(Y|X)p(X)$

Probability Densities



$$p(x \in (a, b)) = \int_a^b p(x) \, dx$$

$$P(z) = \int_{-\infty}^z p(x) \, dx$$

$$p(x) \geq 0$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) \, dx = 1$$

Expectations

$$\mathbb{E}[f] = \sum_x p(x)f(x)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[f] = \int p(x)f(x) \, dx$$

Variances and Covariances

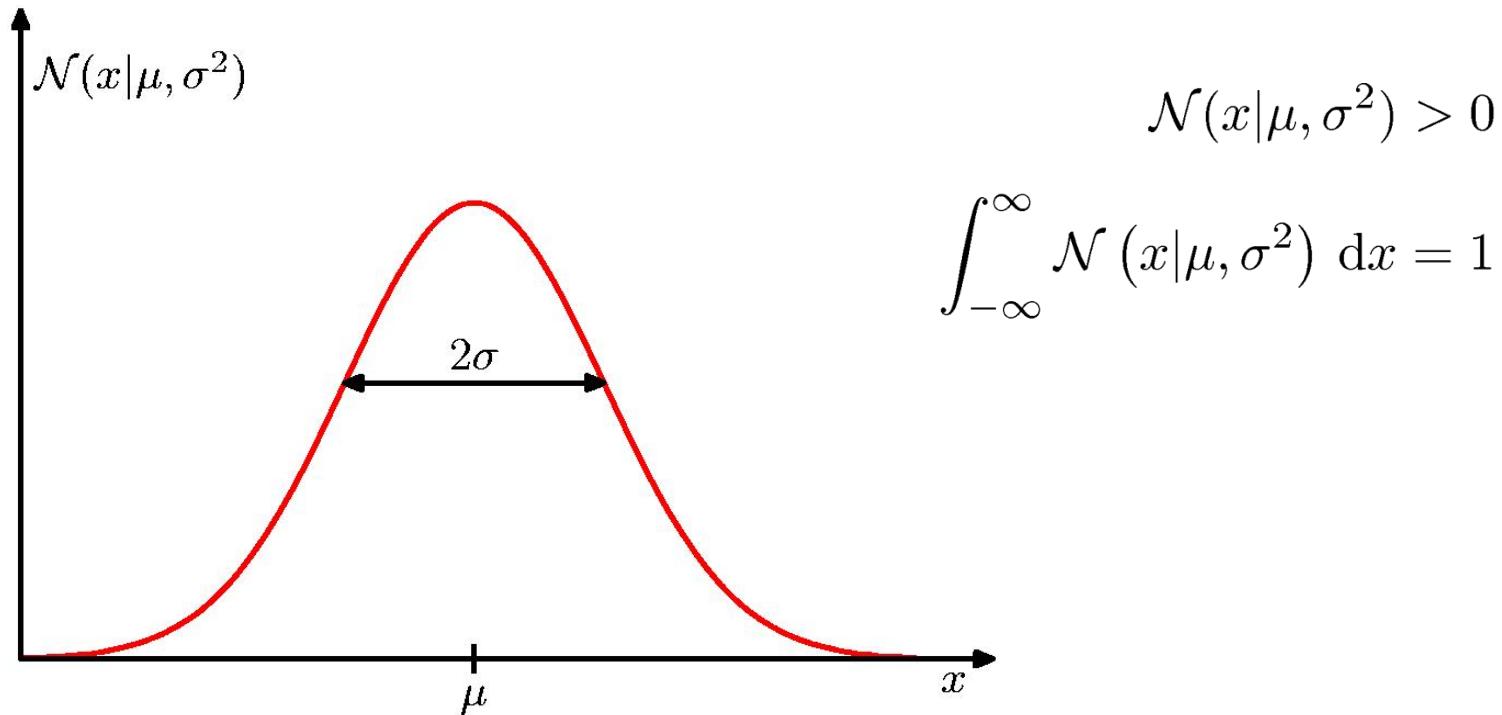
$$\text{var}[f] = \mathbb{E} \left[(f(x) - \mathbb{E}[f(x)])^2 \right] = \mathbb{E}[f(x)^2] - \mathbb{E}[f(x)]^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{cov}[x, y] &= \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [\{x - \mathbb{E}[x]\} \{y - \mathbb{E}[y]\}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x,y}[xy] - \mathbb{E}[x]\mathbb{E}[y]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{cov}[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}] &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}} [\{\mathbf{x} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}]\}\{\mathbf{y}^T - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}^T]\}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^T] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}]\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}^T]\end{aligned}$$

The Gaussian Distribution

$$\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu)^2 \right\}$$



Gaussian Mean and Variance

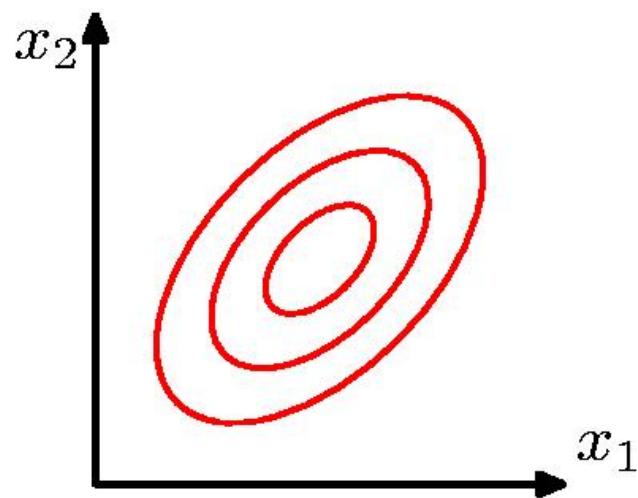
$$\mathbb{E}[x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \sigma^2) x \, dx = \mu$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \sigma^2) x^2 \, dx = \mu^2 + \sigma^2$$

$$\text{var}[x] = \mathbb{E}[x^2] - \mathbb{E}[x]^2 = \sigma^2$$

The Multivariate Gaussian

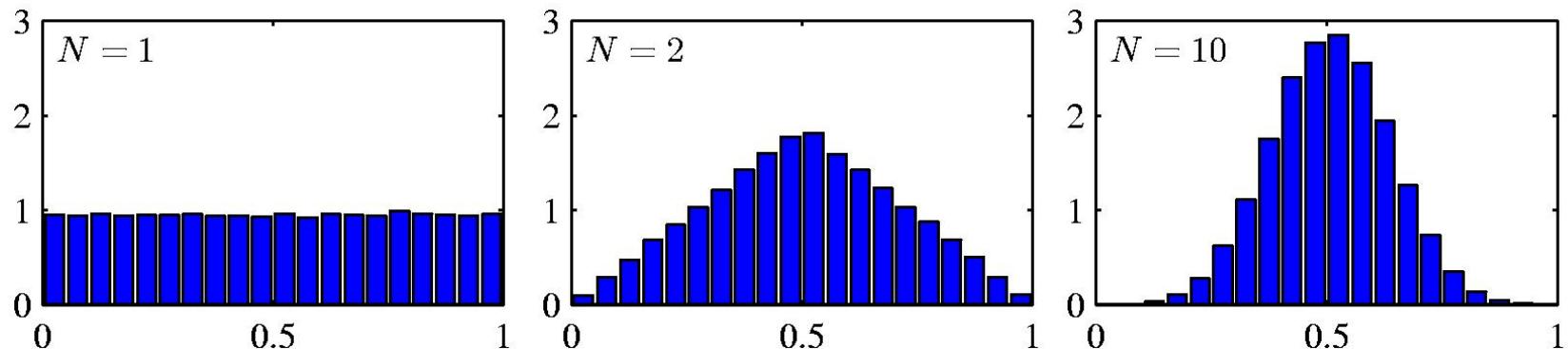
$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\}$$



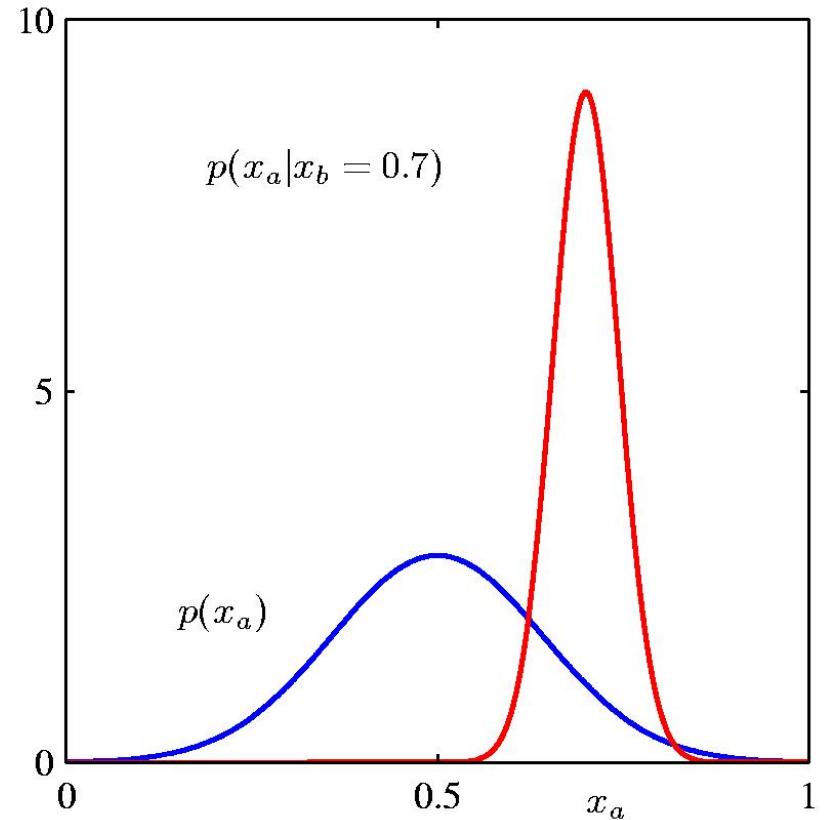
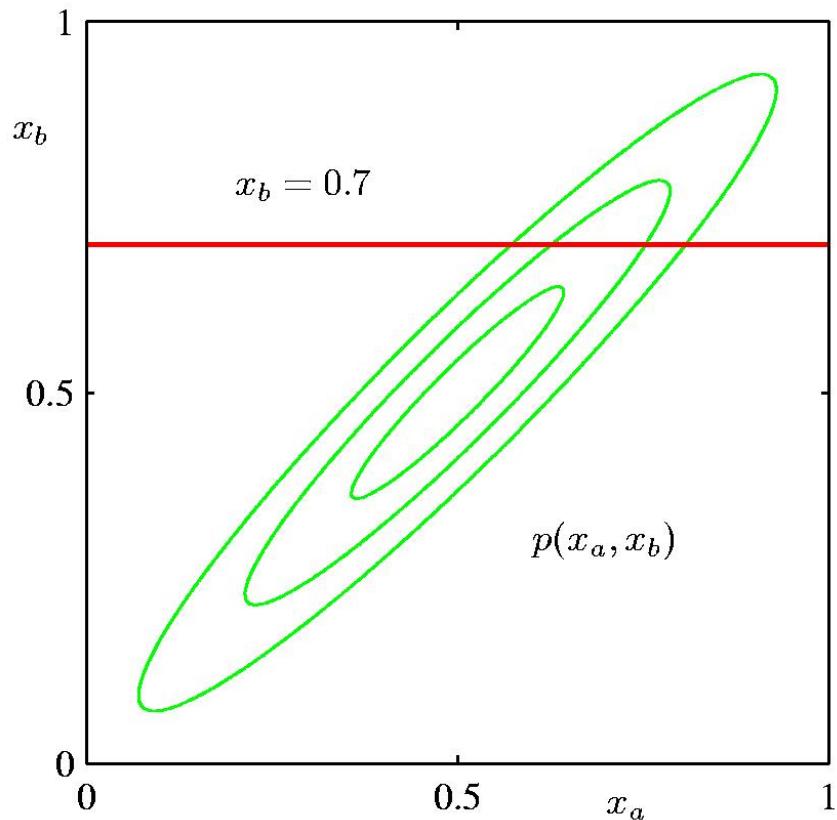
Central Limit Theorem

The distribution of the sum of N i.i.d. random variables becomes increasingly Gaussian as N grows.

Example: N uniform $[0, 1]$ random variables.



Partitioned Conditionals and Marginals



Bayesian Inference for the Gaussian (1)

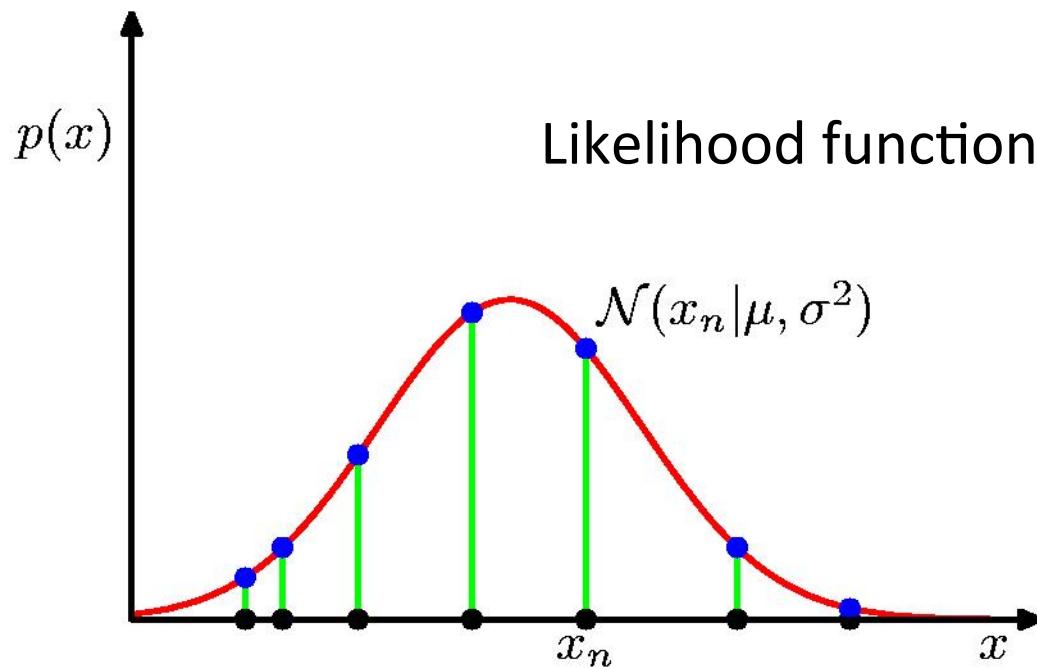
Assume σ is known. Given i.i.d. data

$\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, the likelihood function for μ is given by

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mu) = \prod_{n=1}^N p(x_n|\mu) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{N/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n - \mu)^2 \right\}.$$

This has a Gaussian shape as a function of μ (but it is *not* a distribution over μ).

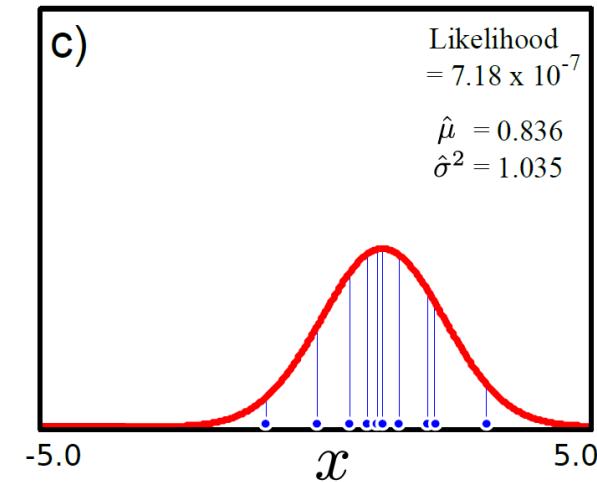
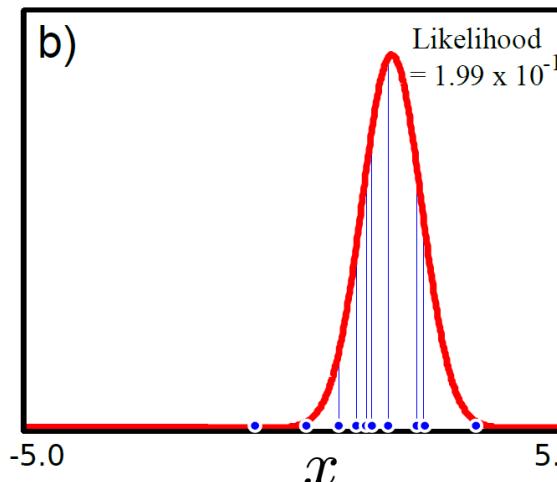
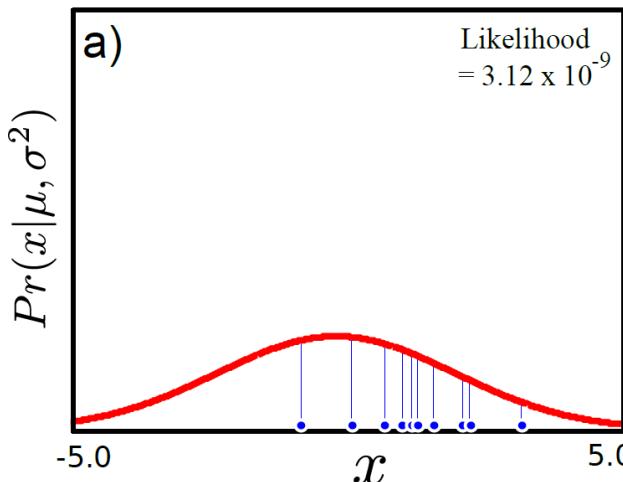
Gaussian Parameter Estimation



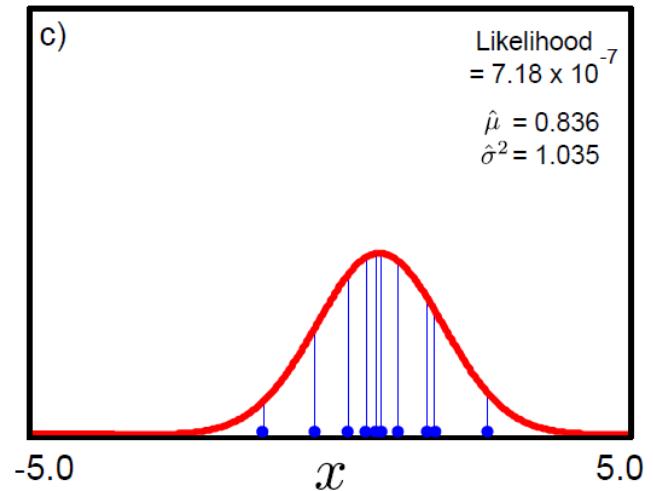
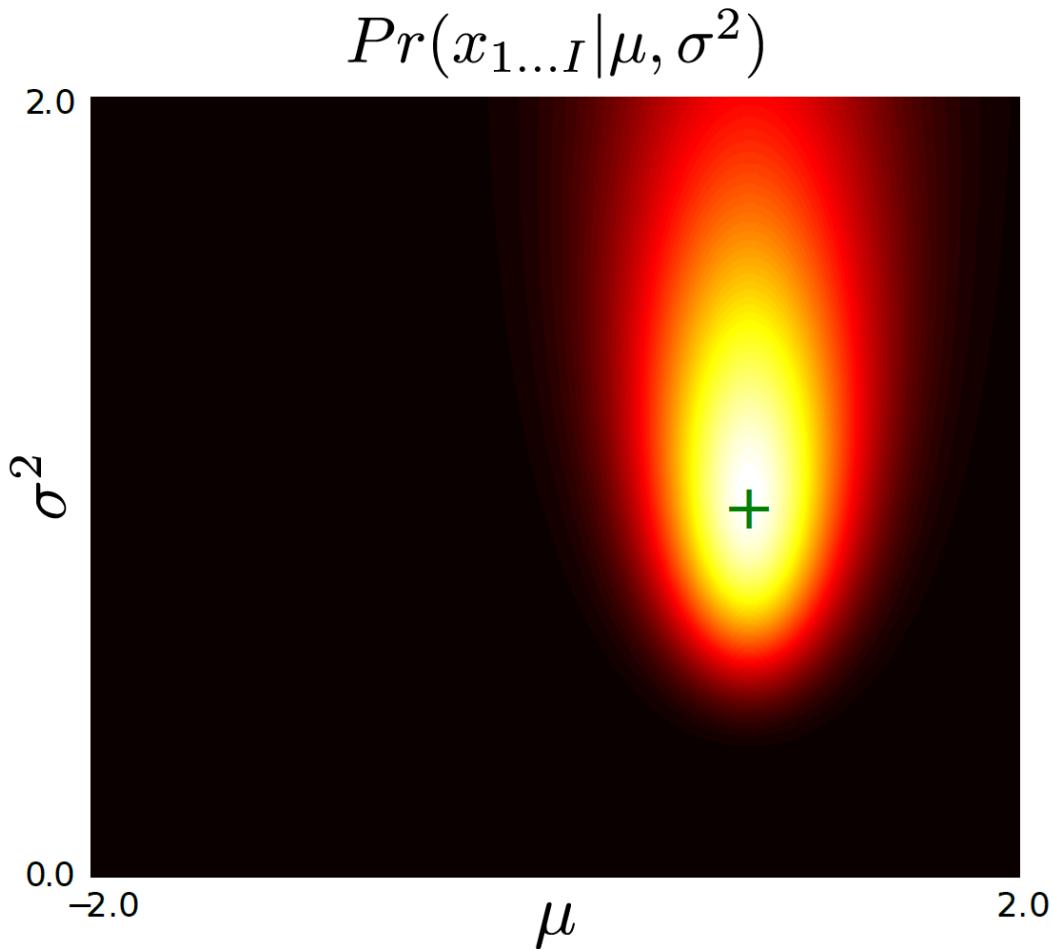
$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma^2) = \prod_{n=1}^N \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu, \sigma^2)$$

Fitting normal distribution: ML

$$\begin{aligned} Pr(x_{1\dots I}|\mu, \sigma^2) &= \prod_{i=1}^I Pr(x_i|\mu, \sigma^2) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^I \text{Norm}_{x_i}[\mu, \sigma^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{I/2}} \exp \left[-0.5 \sum_{i=1}^I \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$



Fitting a normal distribution: ML



Plotted surface of likelihoods
as a function of possible
parameter values

ML Solution is at peak

Bayesian Inference for the Gaussian (2)

Combined with a Gaussian prior over μ ,

$$p(\mu) = \mathcal{N}(\mu|\mu_0, \sigma_0^2).$$

this gives the posterior

$$p(\mu|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(\mathbf{x}|\mu)p(\mu).$$

Completing the square over μ , we see that

$$p(\mu|\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu|\mu_N, \sigma_N^2)$$

Bayesian Inference for the Gaussian (3)

... where

$$\mu_N = \frac{\sigma^2}{N\sigma_0^2 + \sigma^2} \mu_0 + \frac{N\sigma_0^2}{N\sigma_0^2 + \sigma^2} \mu_{\text{ML}}, \quad \mu_{\text{ML}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n$$

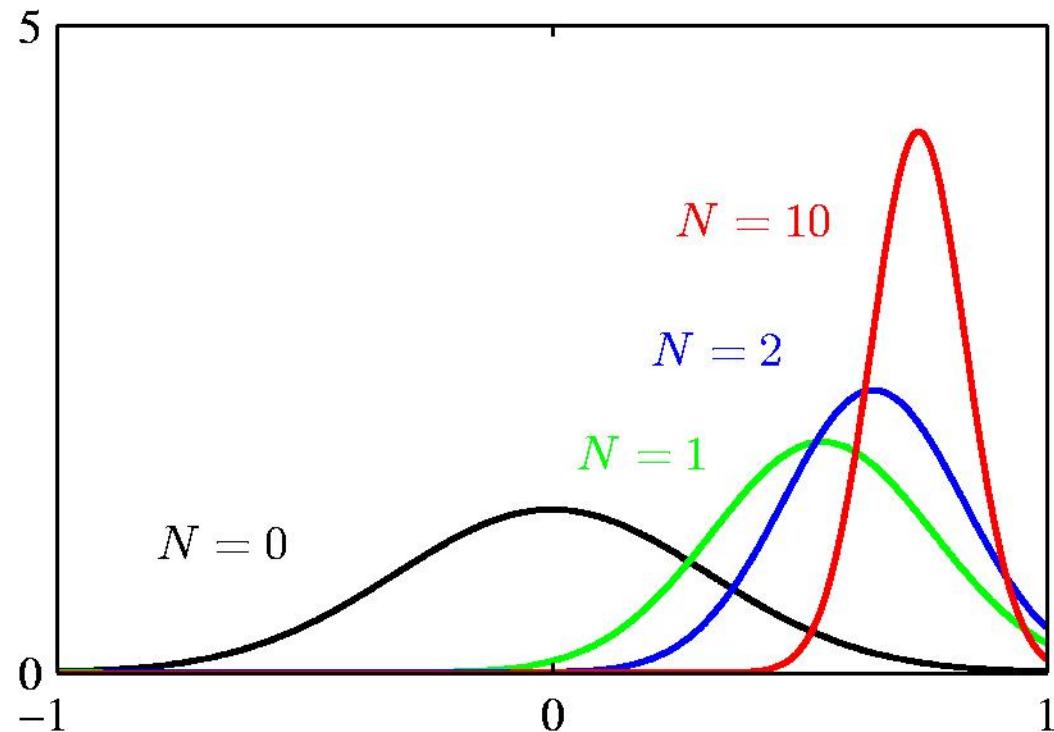
$$\frac{1}{\sigma_N^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{N}{\sigma^2}.$$

Note:

	$N = 0$	$N \rightarrow \infty$
μ_N	μ_0	μ_{ML}
σ_N^2	σ_0^2	0

Bayesian Inference for the Gaussian (4)

Example: $p(\mu|\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu|\mu_N, \sigma_N^2)$ for $N = 0, 1, 2$ and 10.



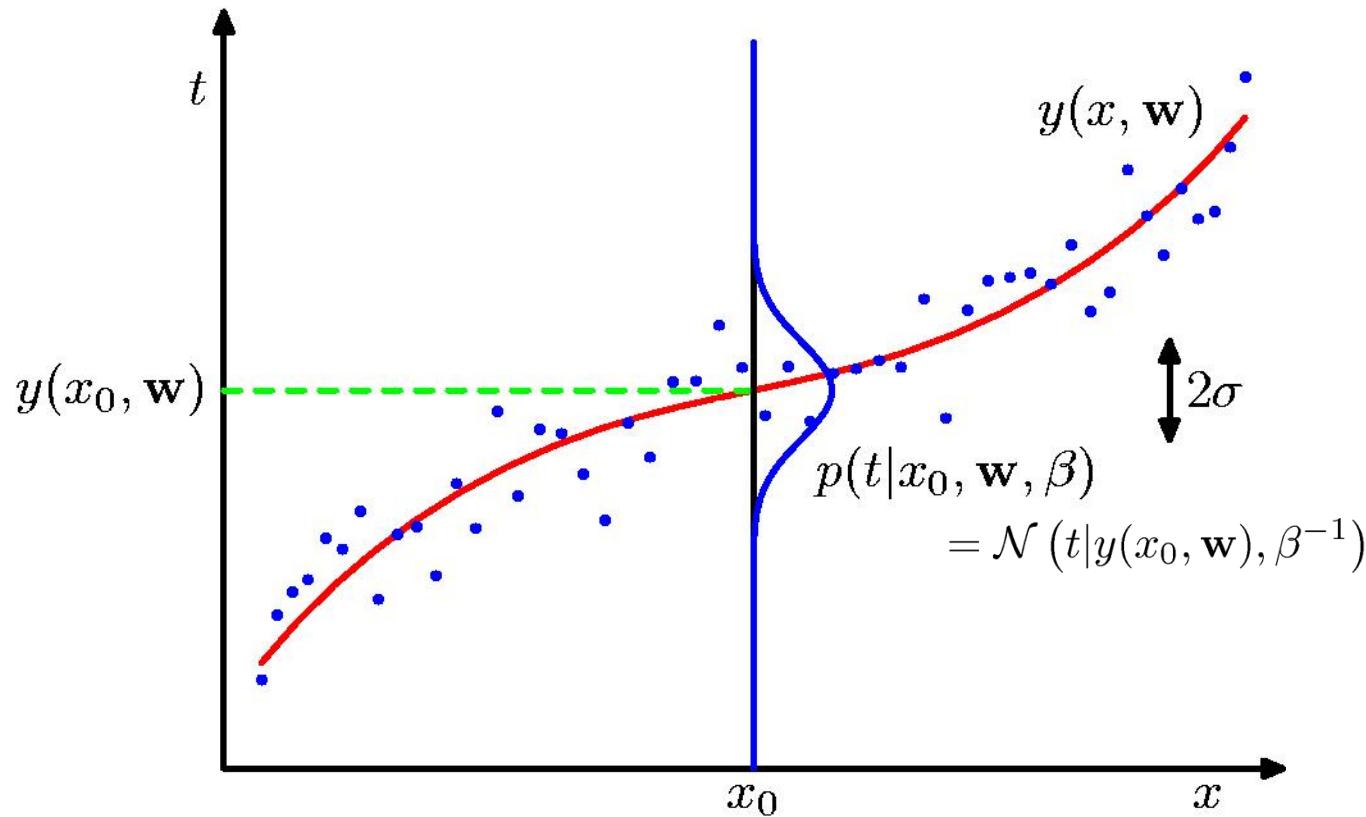
Bayesian Inference for the Gaussian (5)

Sequential Estimation

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mu|\mathbf{x}) &\propto p(\mu)p(\mathbf{x}|\mu) \\ &= \left[p(\mu) \prod_{n=1}^{N-1} p(x_n|\mu) \right] p(x_N|\mu) \\ &\propto \mathcal{N}(\mu|\mu_{N-1}, \sigma_{N-1}^2) p(x_N|\mu) \end{aligned}$$

The posterior obtained after observing N -1 data points becomes the prior when we observe the Nth data point.

Curve Fitting Re-visited



Maximum Likelihood

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^N \mathcal{N}(t_n | y(x_n, \mathbf{w}), \beta^{-1})$$

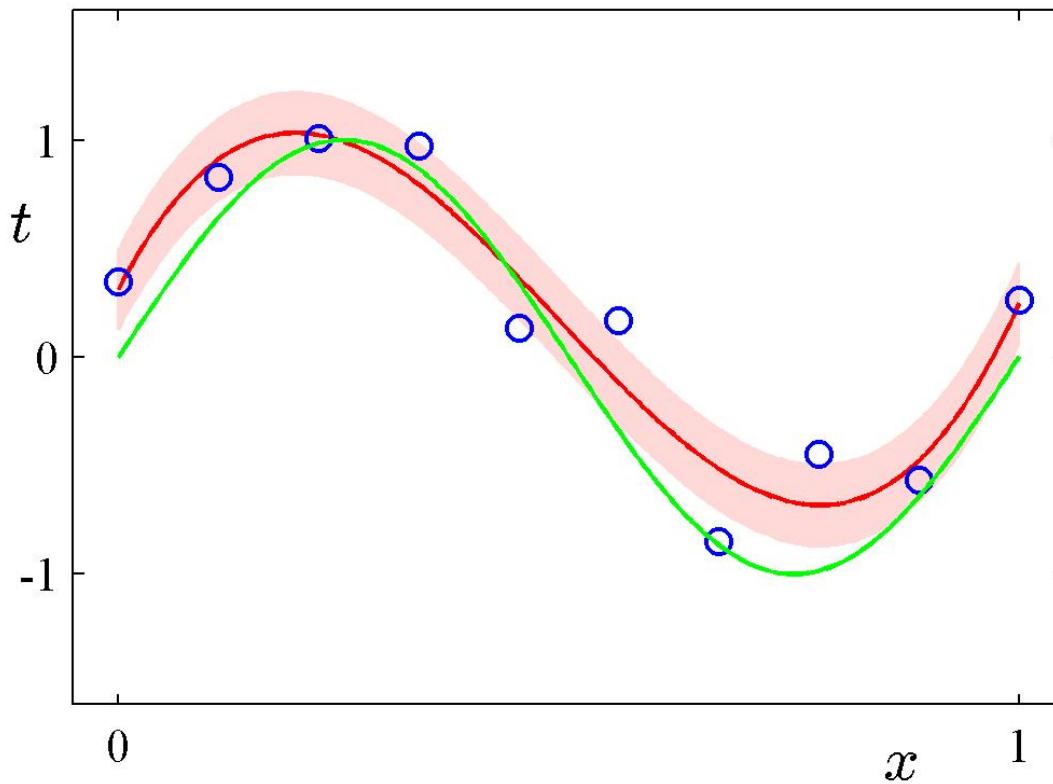
$$\ln p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = -\underbrace{\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \{y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n\}^2}_{\beta E(\mathbf{w})} + \frac{N}{2} \ln \beta - \frac{N}{2} \ln(2\pi)$$

Determine \mathbf{w}_{ML} by minimizing sum-of-squares error, $E(\mathbf{w})$.

$$\frac{1}{\beta_{\text{ML}}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \{y(x_n, \mathbf{w}_{\text{ML}}) - t_n\}^2$$

Predictive Distribution

$$p(t|x, \mathbf{w}_{\text{ML}}, \beta_{\text{ML}}) = \mathcal{N}(t|y(x, \mathbf{w}_{\text{ML}}), \beta_{\text{ML}}^{-1})$$



MAP: A Step towards Bayes

$$p(\mathbf{w}|\alpha) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{0}, \alpha^{-1}\mathbf{I}) = \left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi}\right)^{(M+1)/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{2}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w}\right\}$$

$$p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}, \alpha, \beta) \propto p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta)p(\mathbf{w}|\alpha)$$

$$\beta\tilde{E}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \{y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n\}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w}$$

Determine \mathbf{w}_{MAP} by minimizing regularized sum-of-squares error, $\tilde{E}(\mathbf{w})$.

Bayesian Curve Fitting

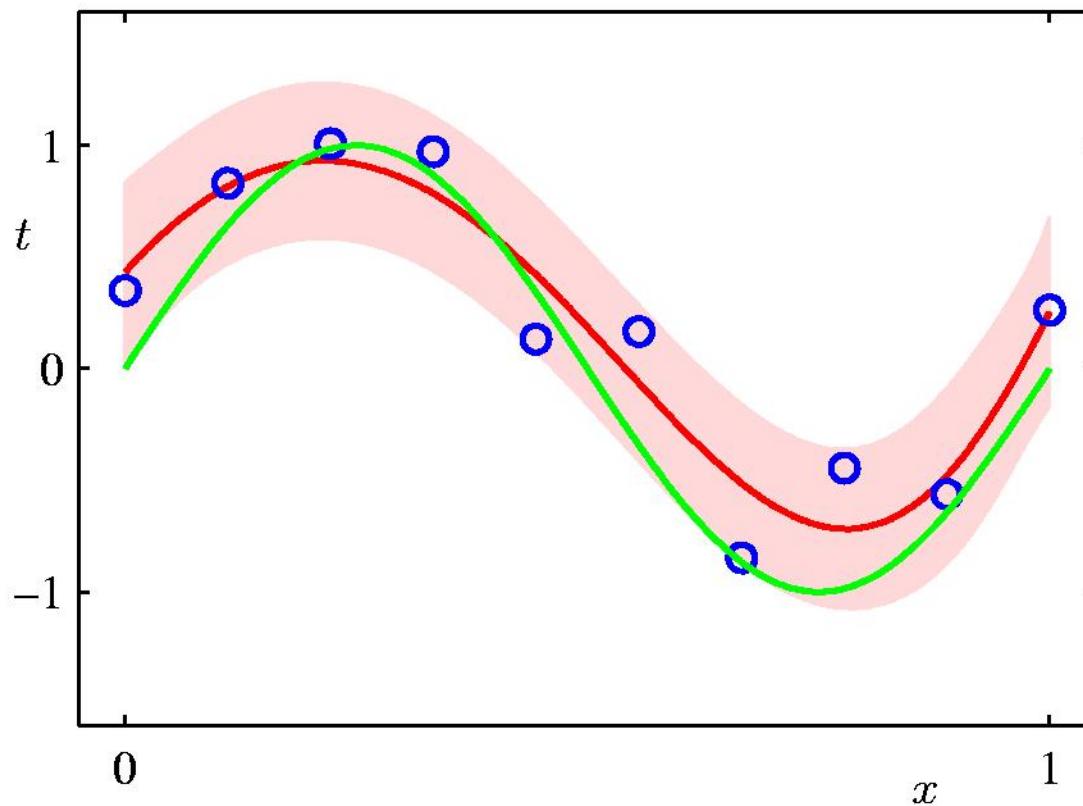
$$p(t|x, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \int p(t|x, \mathbf{w})p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) d\mathbf{w} = \mathcal{N}(t|m(x), s^2(x))$$

$$m(x) = \beta \boldsymbol{\phi}(x)^T \mathbf{S} \sum_{n=1}^N \boldsymbol{\phi}(x_n) t_n \quad s^2(x) = \beta^{-1} + \boldsymbol{\phi}(x)^T \mathbf{S} \boldsymbol{\phi}(x)$$

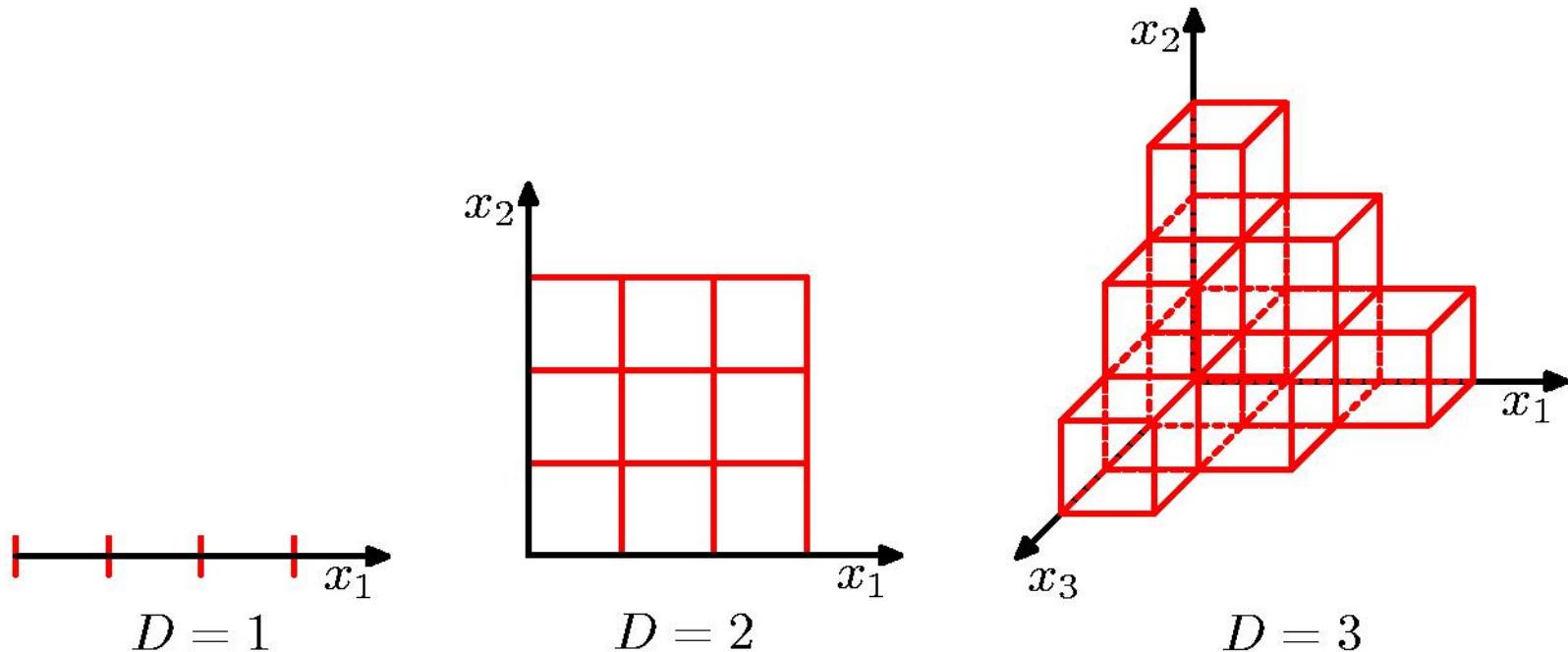
$$\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \alpha \mathbf{I} + \beta \sum_{n=1}^N \boldsymbol{\phi}(x_n) \boldsymbol{\phi}(x_n)^T \quad \boldsymbol{\phi}(x_n) = (x_n^0, \dots, x_n^M)^T$$

Bayesian Predictive Distribution

$$p(t|x, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \mathcal{N}(t|m(x), s^2(x))$$



Curse of Dimensionality



Curse of Dimensionality

Polynomial curve fitting, $M = 3$

$$y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^D w_i x_i + \sum_{i=1}^D \sum_{j=1}^D w_{ij} x_i x_j + \sum_{i=1}^D \sum_{j=1}^D \sum_{k=1}^D w_{ijk} x_i x_j x_k$$

Gaussian Densities in higher dimensions

