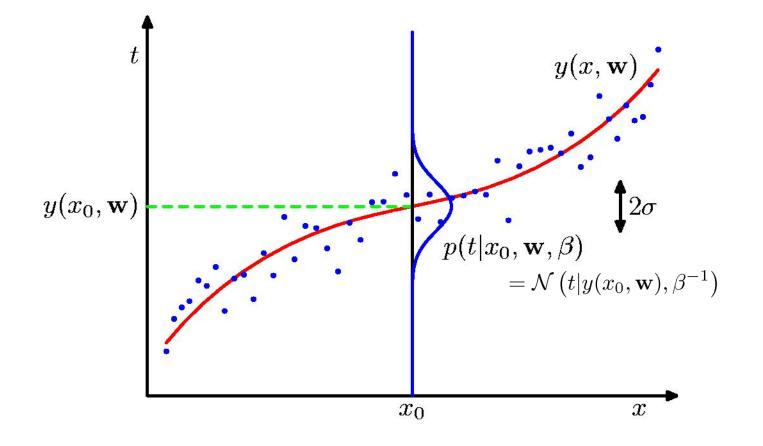
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## **Curve Fitting Re-visited**



## Linear Basis Function Models (2)

#### Generally

$$y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{j=0}^{M-1} w_j \phi_j(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x})$$

Where  $\phi_j(x)$  are known as *basis functions*. Typically,  $\phi_0(x) = 1$ , so that  $W_0$  acts as a bias. In the simplest case, we use linear basis functions :  $\phi_d(x) = x_d$ .

### Maximum Likelihood and Least Squares (1)

Assume observations from a deterministic function with added Gaussian noise:

 $t = y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) + \epsilon$  where  $p(\epsilon|\beta) = \mathcal{N}(\epsilon|0, \beta^{-1})$ 

which is the same as saying,

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

Given observed inputs,  $\mathbf{X} = {\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N\}}$ , and targets,  $\mathbf{t} = [t_1, \dots, t_N]^T$ , we obtain the likelihood function  $p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^N \mathcal{N}(t_n | \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n), \beta^{-1}).$ 

### Maximum Likelihood and Least Squares (2)

Taking the logarithm, we get

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$$\begin{aligned} & \ln p(\mathbf{t} | \mathbf{w}, \beta) &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} \ln \mathcal{N}(t_n | \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n), \beta^{-1}) \\ &= \frac{N}{2} \ln \beta - \frac{N}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \beta E_D(\mathbf{w}) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$E_D(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n - \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n)\}^2$$

is the sum-of-squares error.

### Maximum Likelihood and Least Squares (3)

Computing the gradient and setting it to zero yields  $_{\!\!N}$ 

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \ln p(\mathbf{t} | \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \beta \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ t_n - \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n) \right\} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{0}.$$
$$0 = \sum_{n=1}^{N} t_n \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}} - \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n) \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}} \right)$$

Solving for W, we get  $\mathbf{w}_{\mathrm{ML}} = \left( \mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\Phi} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{\Phi}$ 

The Moore-Penrose  
pseudo-inverse, 
$$\Phi^{T}$$

where  

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0(\mathbf{x}_1) & \phi_1(\mathbf{x}_1) & \cdots & \phi_{M-1}(\mathbf{x}_1) \\ \phi_0(\mathbf{x}_2) & \phi_1(\mathbf{x}_2) & \cdots & \phi_{M-1}(\mathbf{x}_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_0(\mathbf{x}_N) & \phi_1(\mathbf{x}_N) & \cdots & \phi_{M-1}(\mathbf{x}_N) \end{pmatrix}$$

## Bayesian Linear Regression (1)

Define a Gaussian prior over W

 $p(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{S}_0).$ 

Combining this with the likelihood function  $p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \mathcal{N}(t_n | \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n), \beta^{-1}).$ and 'completing the square', gives the posterior

$$p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{t}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{m}_N, \mathbf{S}_N)$$

where

$$\mathbf{m}_{N} = \mathbf{S}_{N} \left( \mathbf{S}_{0}^{-1} \mathbf{m}_{0} + \beta \mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{t} \right)$$
$$\mathbf{S}_{N}^{-1} = \mathbf{S}_{0}^{-1} + \beta \mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\Phi}.$$

## Completing the square

$$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^T C\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{w} + a$$
 C symmetric

Bring into form

$$\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m})^T S(\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{m}) + u$$

with

$$S =$$

C

$$\mathbf{m} = -C^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$
$$u = a - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}^T C^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

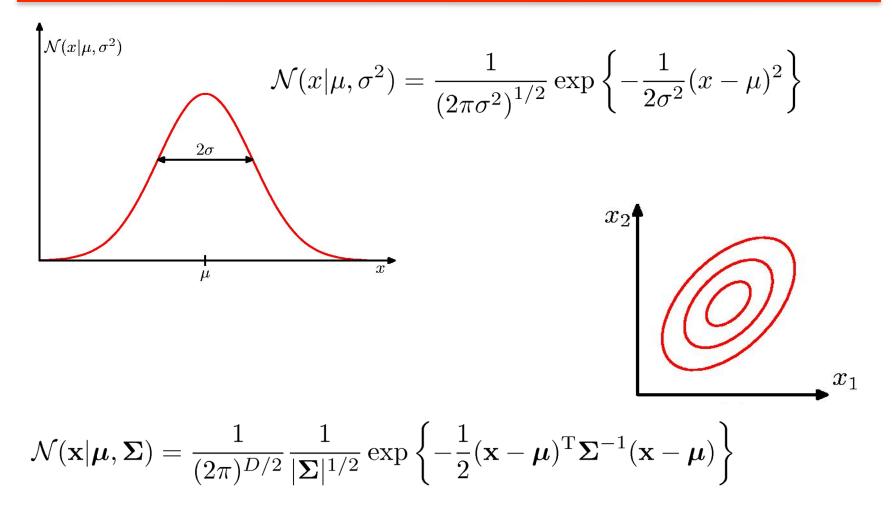
## Bayesian Linear Regression (2)

A common choice for the prior is  $p(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{0}, \alpha^{-1}\mathbf{I})$ 

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## **Reminder: The Gaussian Distribution**



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The log of the posterior distribution is given by the sum of the log likelihood and the log of the prior

$$\ln p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{t}) = -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n - \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n)\}^2 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{w} + \text{const.}$$

## Bayesian Linear Regression (2)

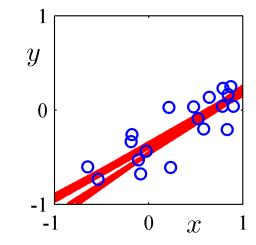
Example: estimate linear model of the form

$$y(x,\mathbf{w}) = w_0 + w_1 x$$

Data: draw x<sub>n</sub> from uniform distribution, then plug into

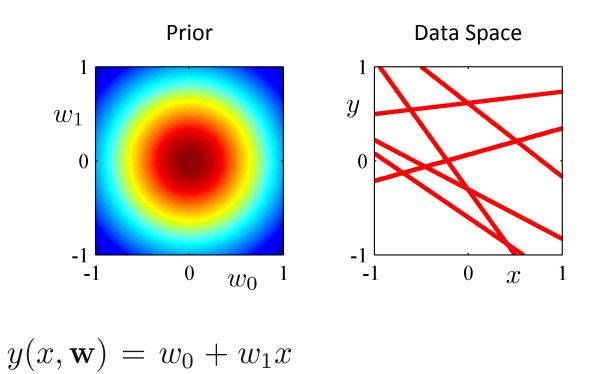
$$f(x, \mathbf{a}) = a_0 + a_1 x$$

then add Gaussian noise to obtain target value t<sub>n</sub>



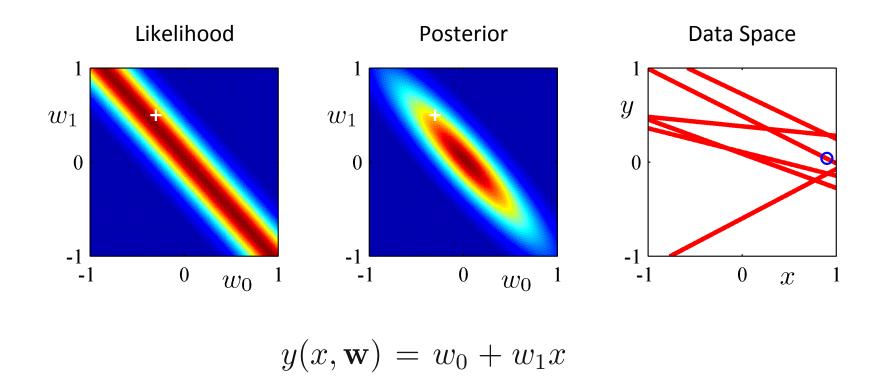
## Bayesian Linear Regression (3)

0 data points observed



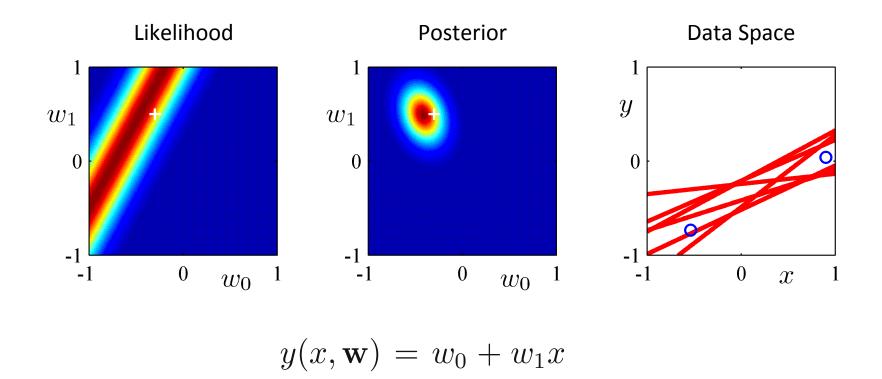
## **Bayesian Linear Regression (4)**

#### 1 data point observed



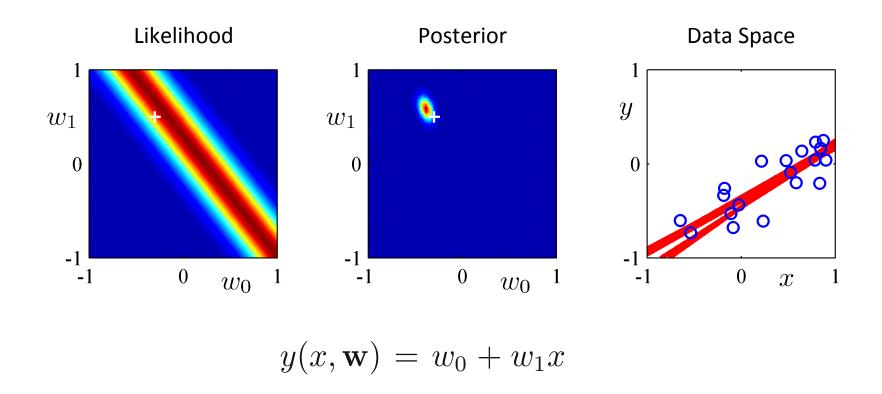
## Bayesian Linear Regression (5)

#### 2 data points observed



## **Bayesian Linear Regression (6)**

#### 20 data points observed



## Predictive Distribution (1)

# Predict t for new values of x by integrating over W:

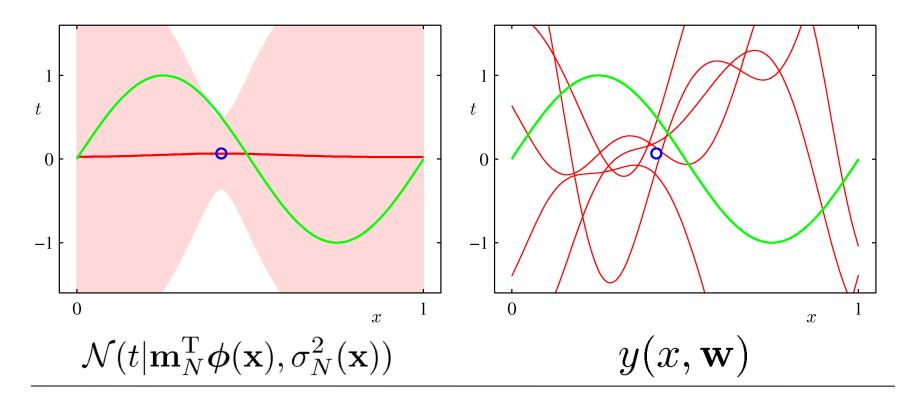
$$p(t|\mathbf{t}, \alpha, \beta) = \int p(t|\mathbf{w}, \beta) p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{t}, \alpha, \beta) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{w}$$
$$= \mathcal{N}(t|\mathbf{m}_N^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}), \sigma_N^2(\mathbf{x}))$$

#### where

$$\sigma_N^2(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x})^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{S}_N \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}).$$

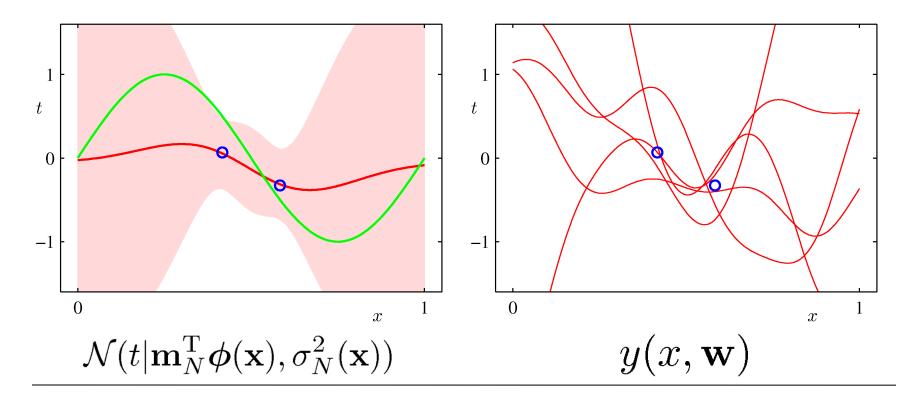
## Predictive Distribution (2)

## Example: Sinusoidal data, 9 Gaussian basis functions, 1 data point



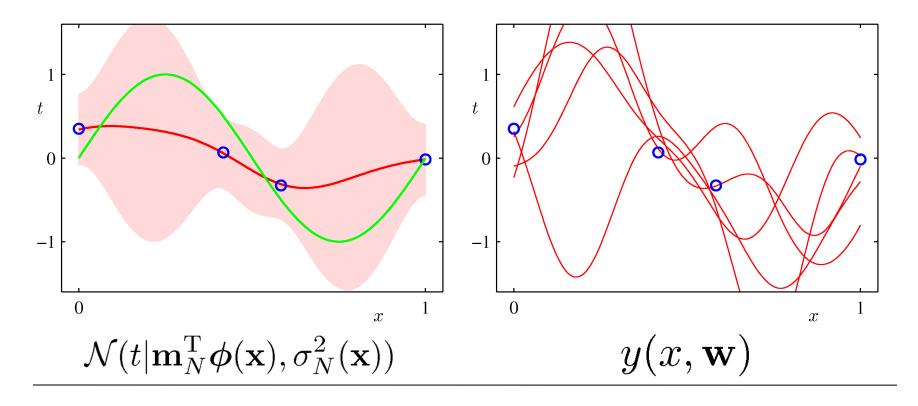
## Predictive Distribution (3)

## Example: Sinusoidal data, 9 Gaussian basis functions, 2 data points



## **Predictive Distribution (4)**

## Example: Sinusoidal data, 9 Gaussian basis functions, 4 data points



## **Predictive Distribution (5)**

## Example: Sinusoidal data, 9 Gaussian basis functions, 25 data points

