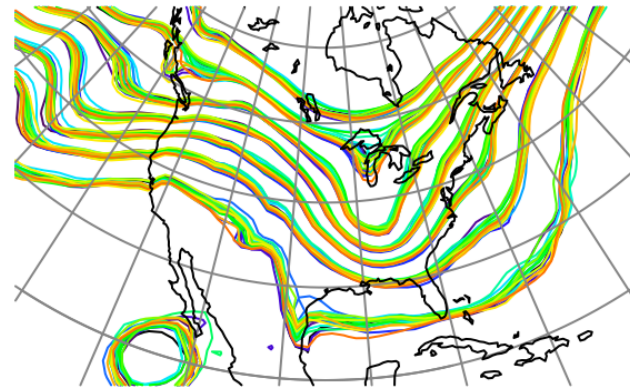


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DART Tutorial Part 1: Filtering For a One Variable System



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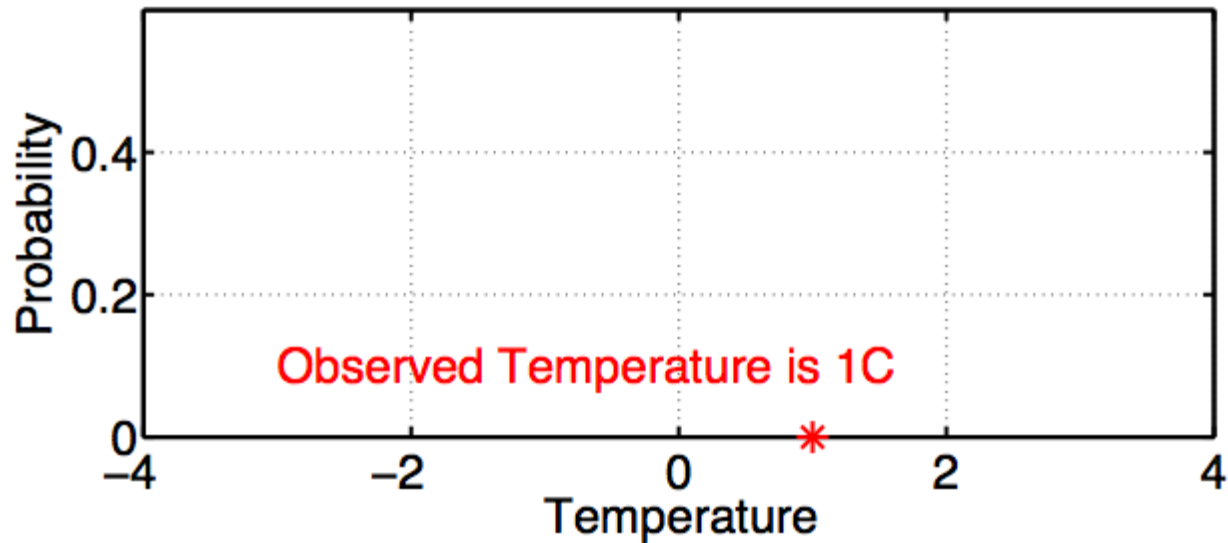


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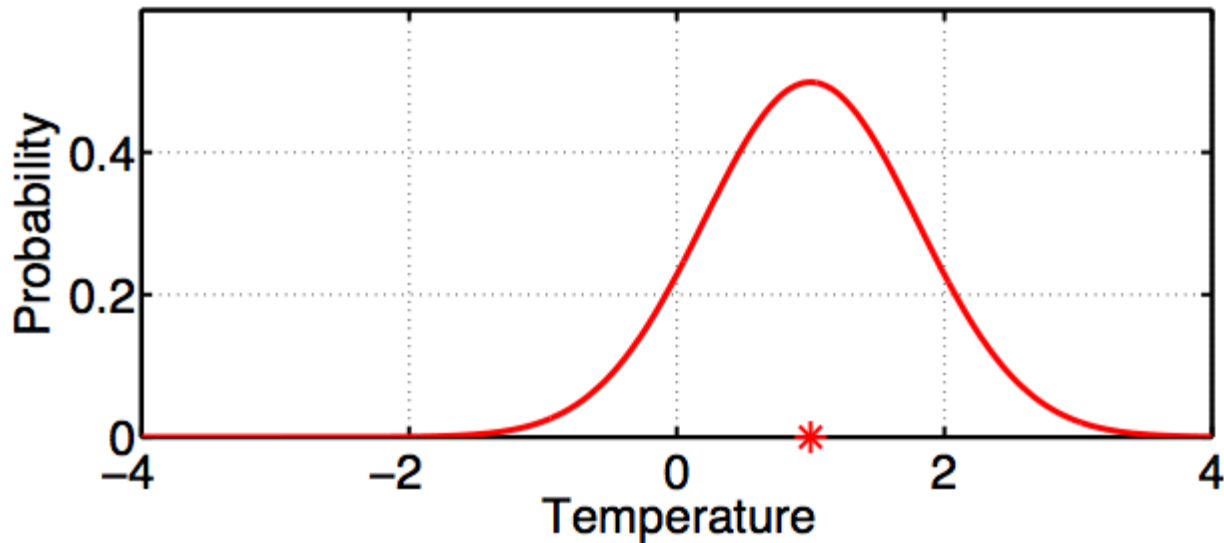
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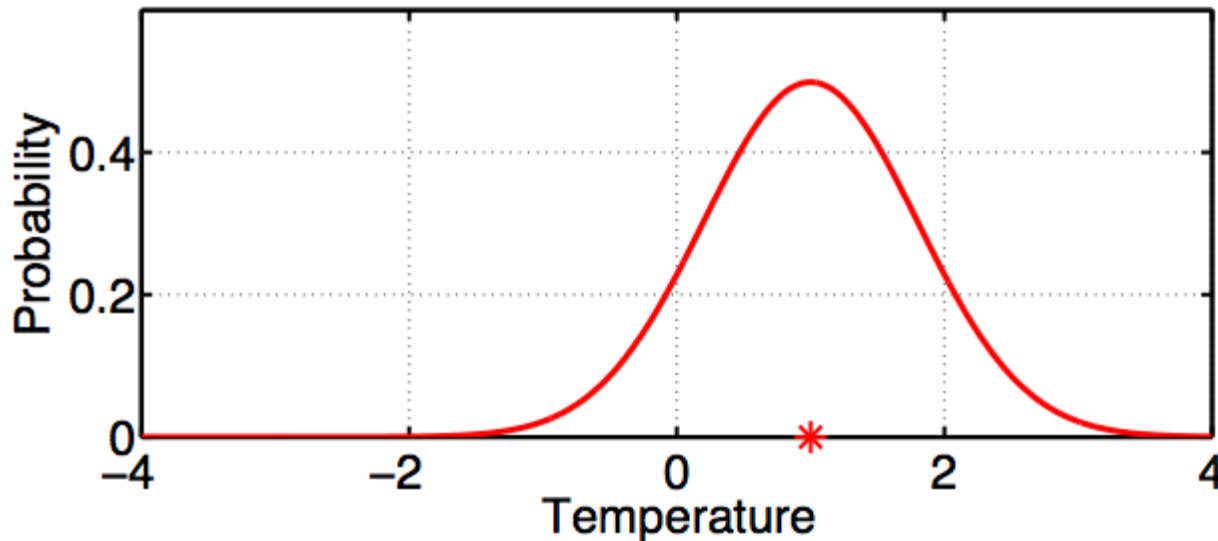
An observation has a value (*),



and an error distribution (red curve) that is associated with the instrument.

Example: Estimating the Temperature Outside

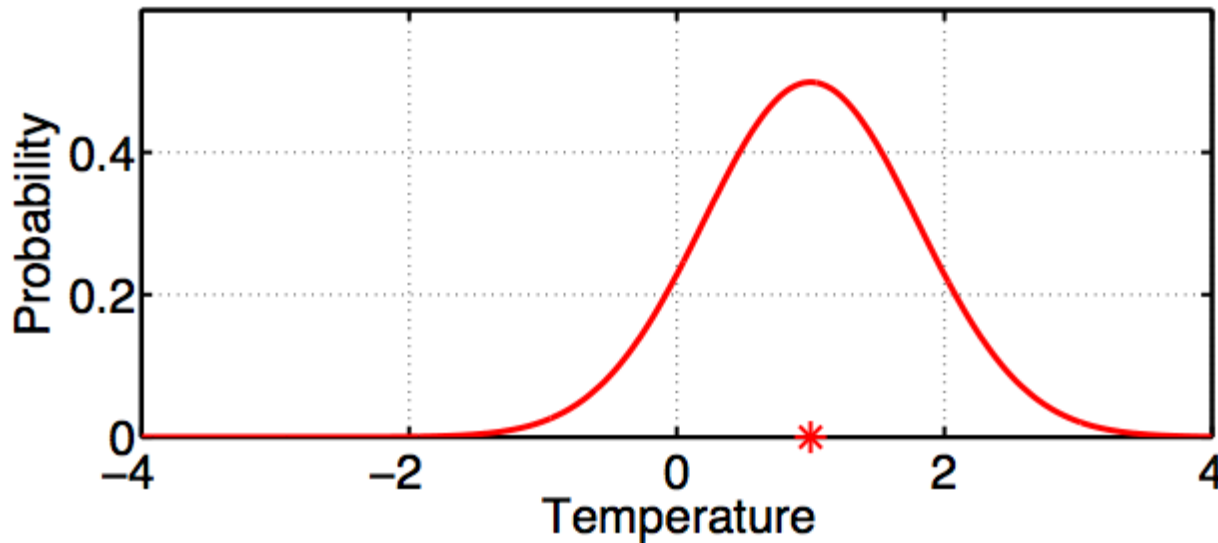
Thermometer outside measures 1°C .



Instrument builder says thermometer is unbiased with $\pm 0.8^{\circ}\text{C}$ Gaussian error.

Example: Estimating the Temperature Outside

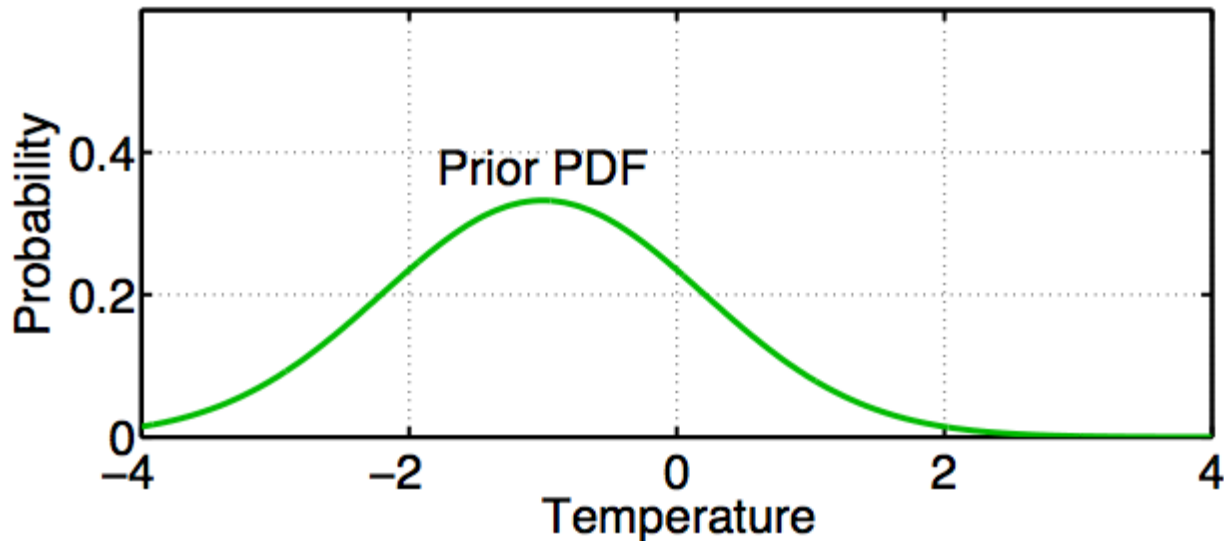
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The red plot is $P(T | T_0)$;
probability of temperature *given* that T_0 was observed.

Example: Estimating the Temperature Outside

We also have a prior estimate of temperature.



The green curve is $P(T | C)$;
probability of temperature given all available prior information C .

Example: Estimating the Temperature Outside

Prior information C can include:

1. Observations of things besides T ;
2. Model forecast made using observations at earlier times;
3. *a priori* physical constraints ($T > -273.15^{\circ}\text{C}$);
4. Climatological constraints ($-30^{\circ}\text{C} < T < 40^{\circ}\text{C}$).

Combining the Prior Estimate and Observation

Bayes
Theorem:

Likelihood: Probability that T_o is observed if T is true value and given prior information C .

$$P(T | T_o, C) = \frac{P(T_o | T, C) P(T | C)}{P(T_o | C)}$$

Diagram annotations: An arrow points from the text "Likelihood" to the term $P(T_o | T, C)$ in the numerator. Another arrow points from the word "Prior" to the term $P(T | C)$ in the numerator. A third arrow points from the left side of the equation to the term $P(T | T_o, C)$ in the numerator.

Posterior: Probability of T given observations and Prior.
Also called **update** or **analysis**.

Combining the Prior Estimate and Observation

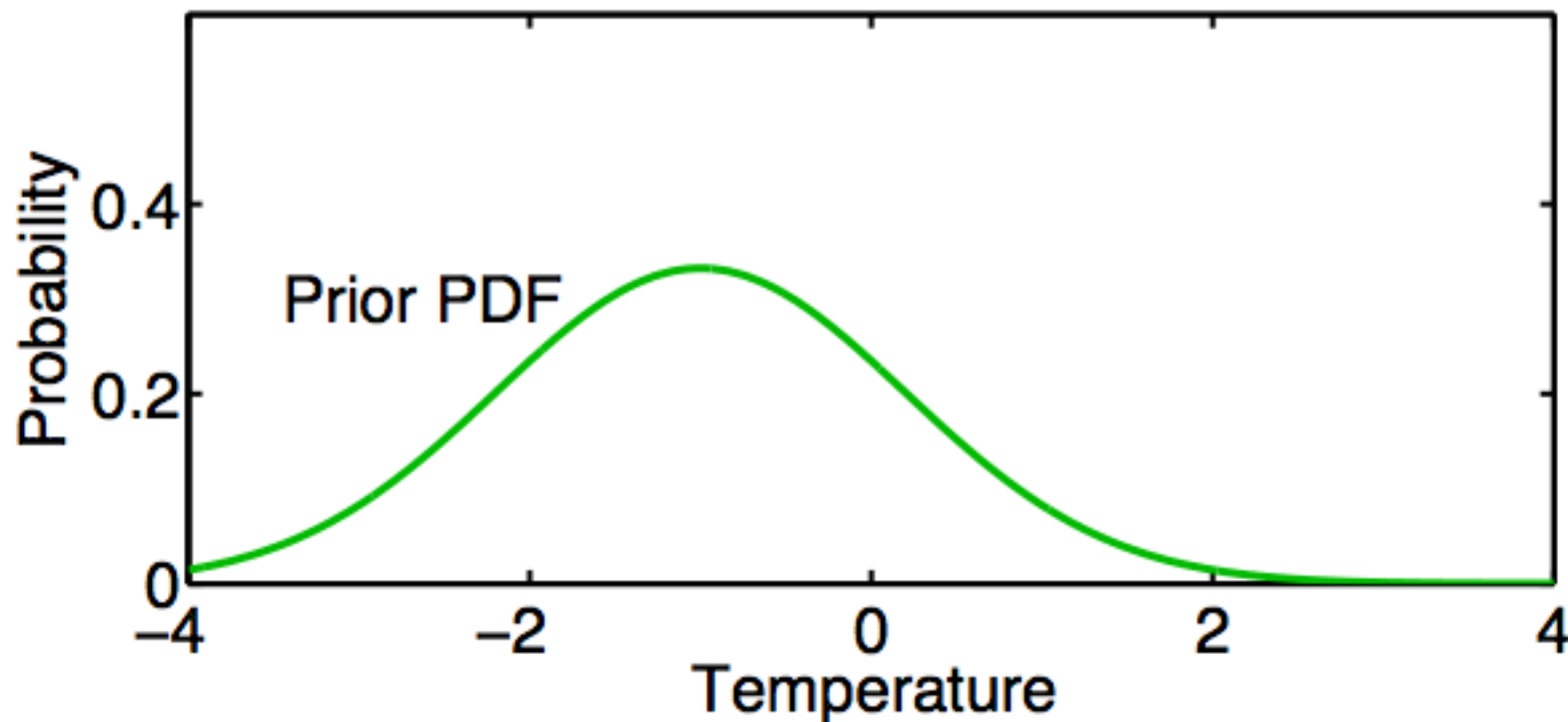
Rewrite Bayes as:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{P(T_o | T, C)P(T | C)}{P(T_o | C)} &= \frac{P(T_o | T, C)P(T | C)}{\int P(T_o | x)P(x | C)dx} \\ &= \frac{P(T_o | T, C)P(T | C)}{\textit{normalization}}\end{aligned}$$

Denominator normalizes so Posterior is PDF.

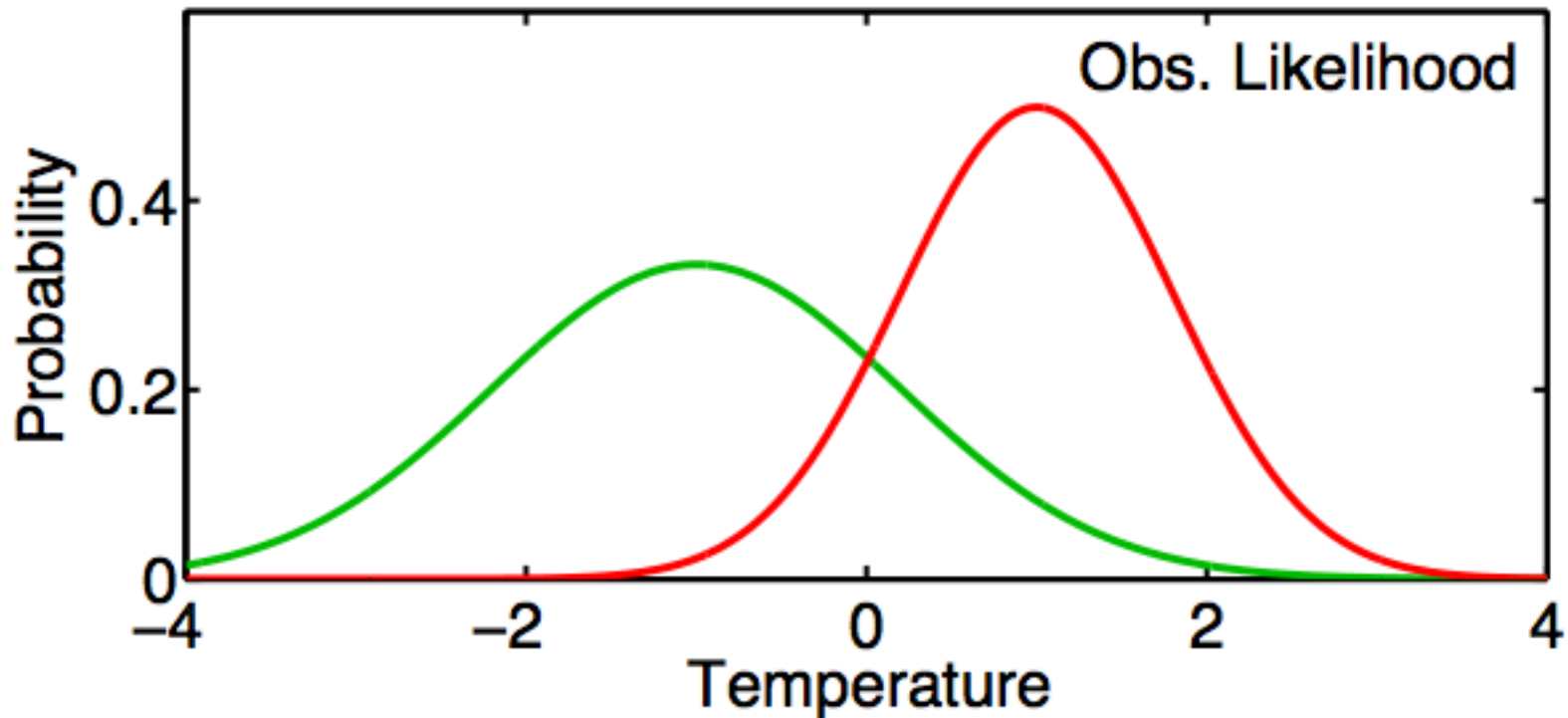
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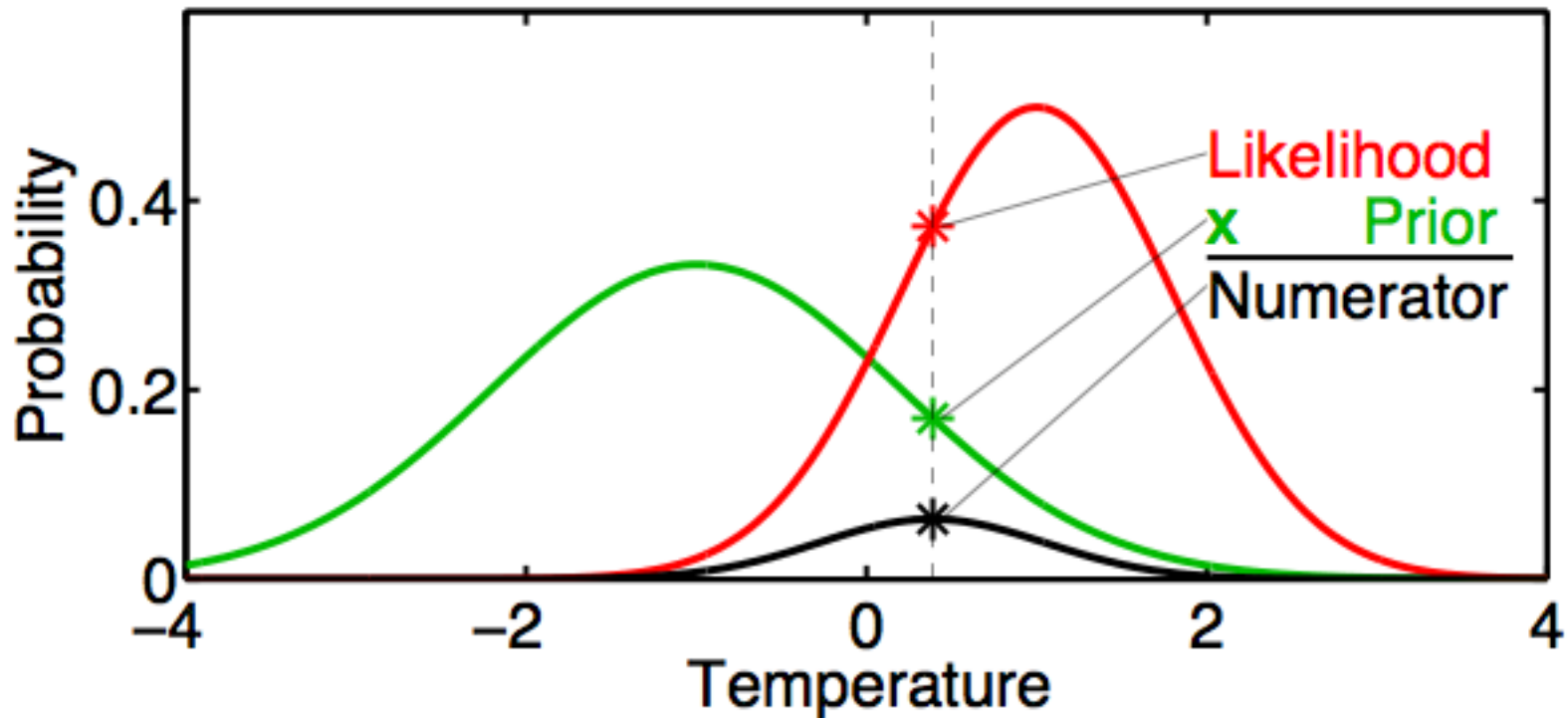
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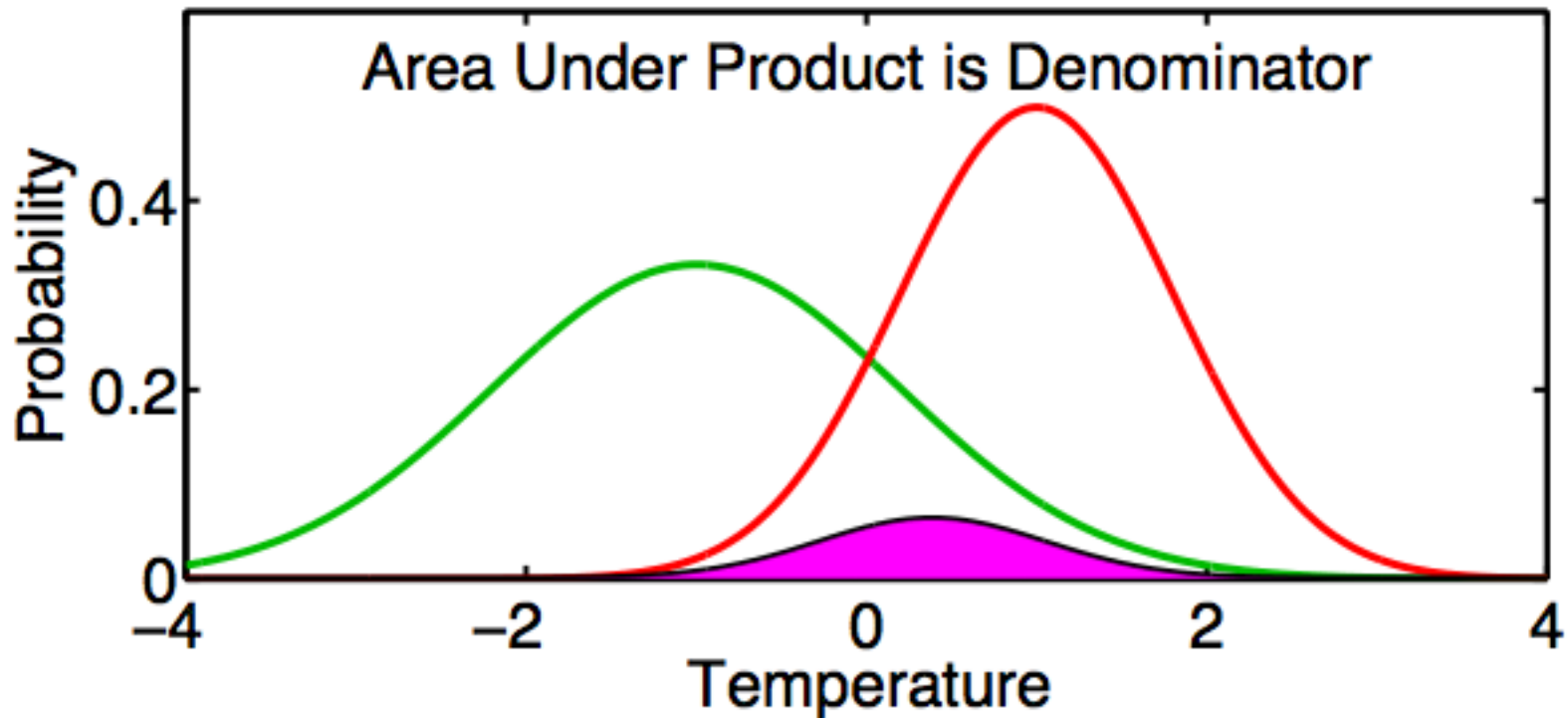
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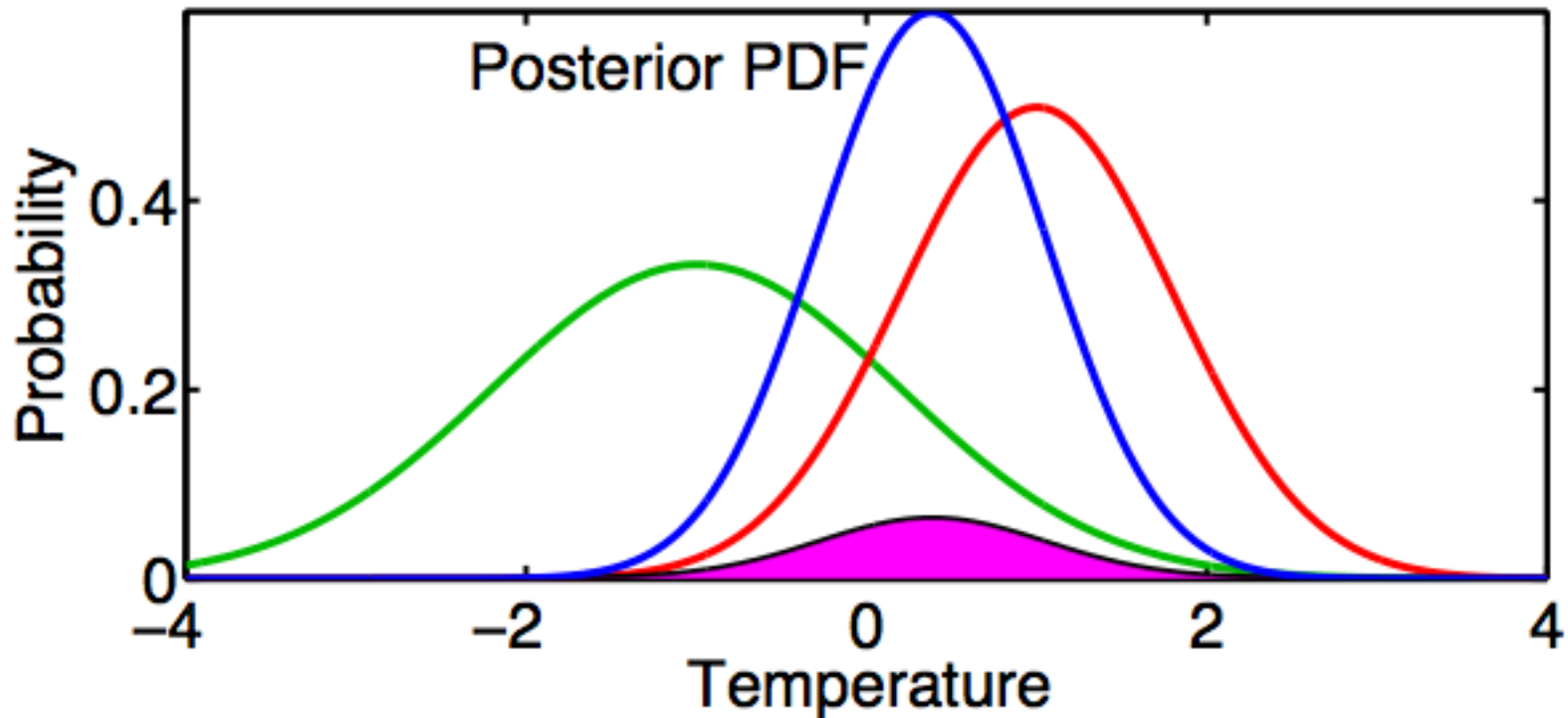
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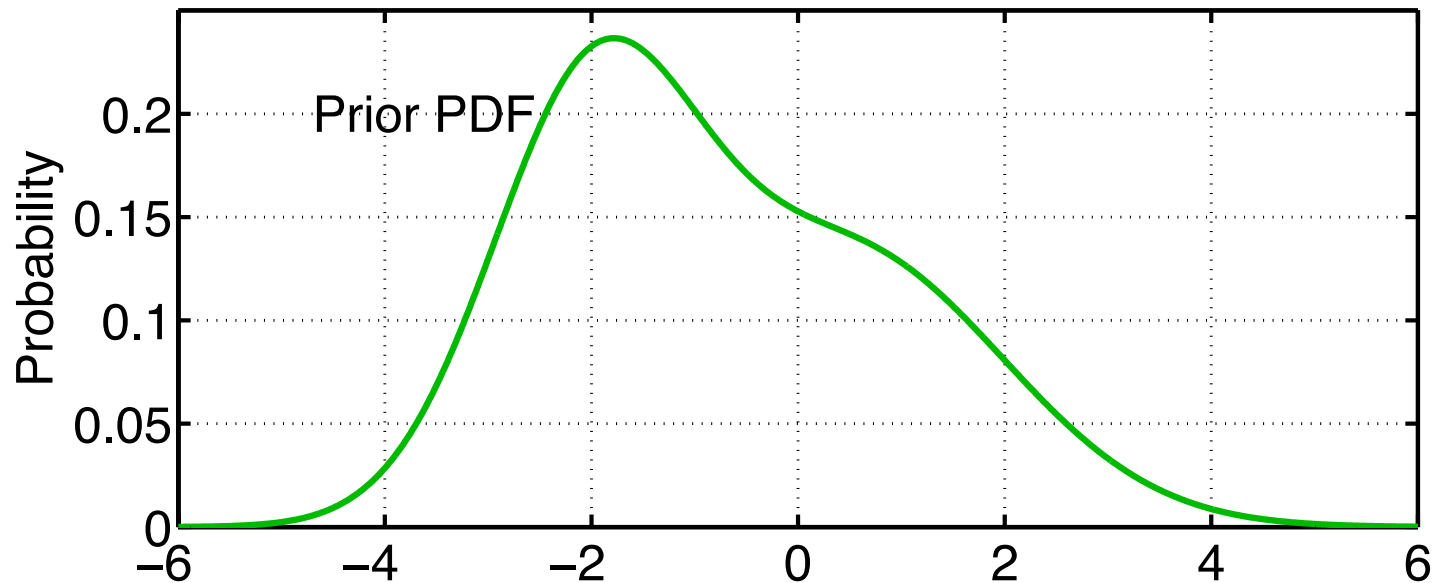
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Bayes' Rule

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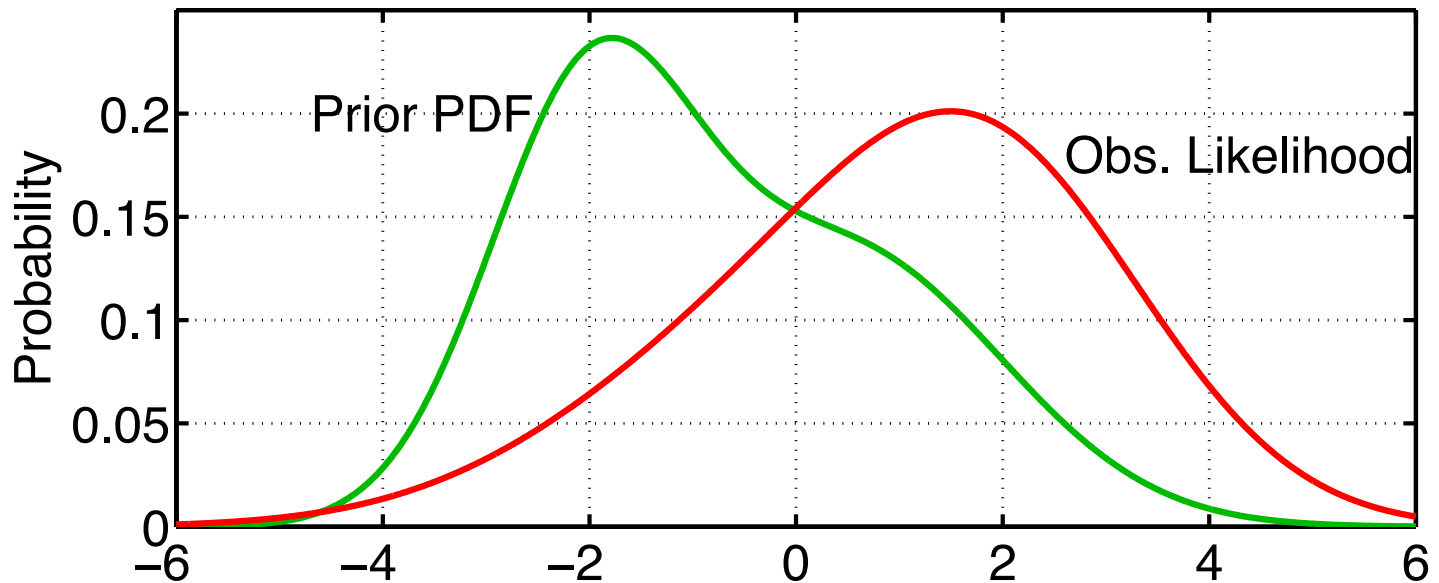
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B : An additional observation.

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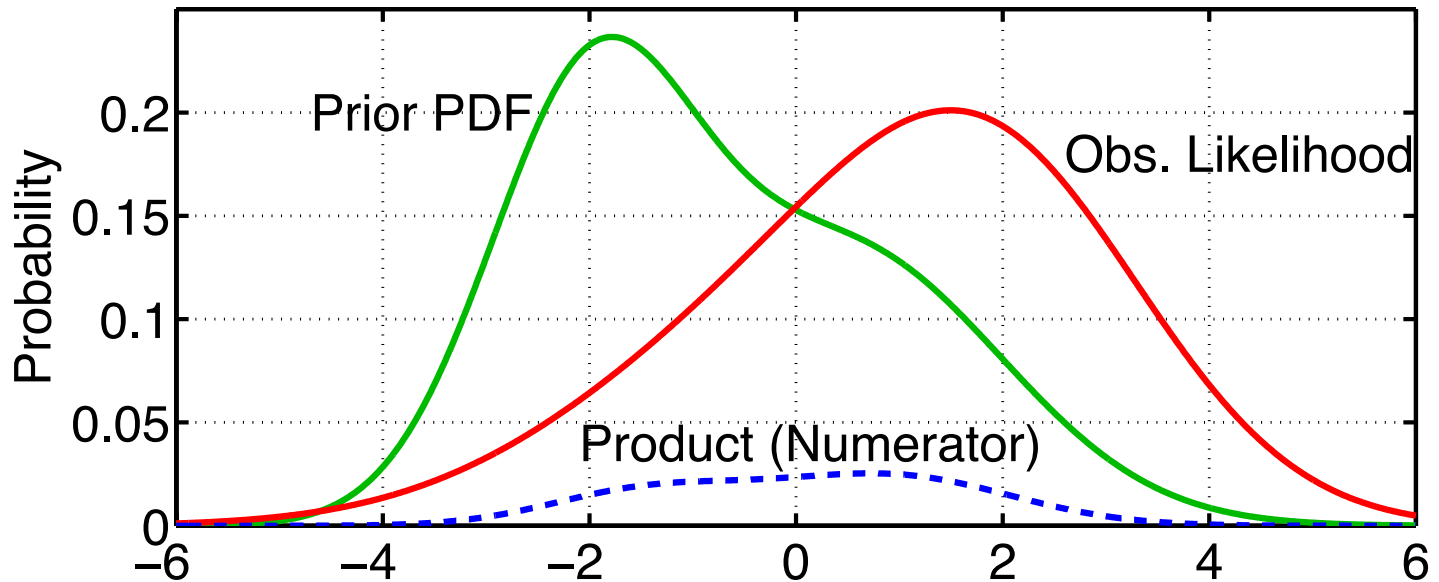
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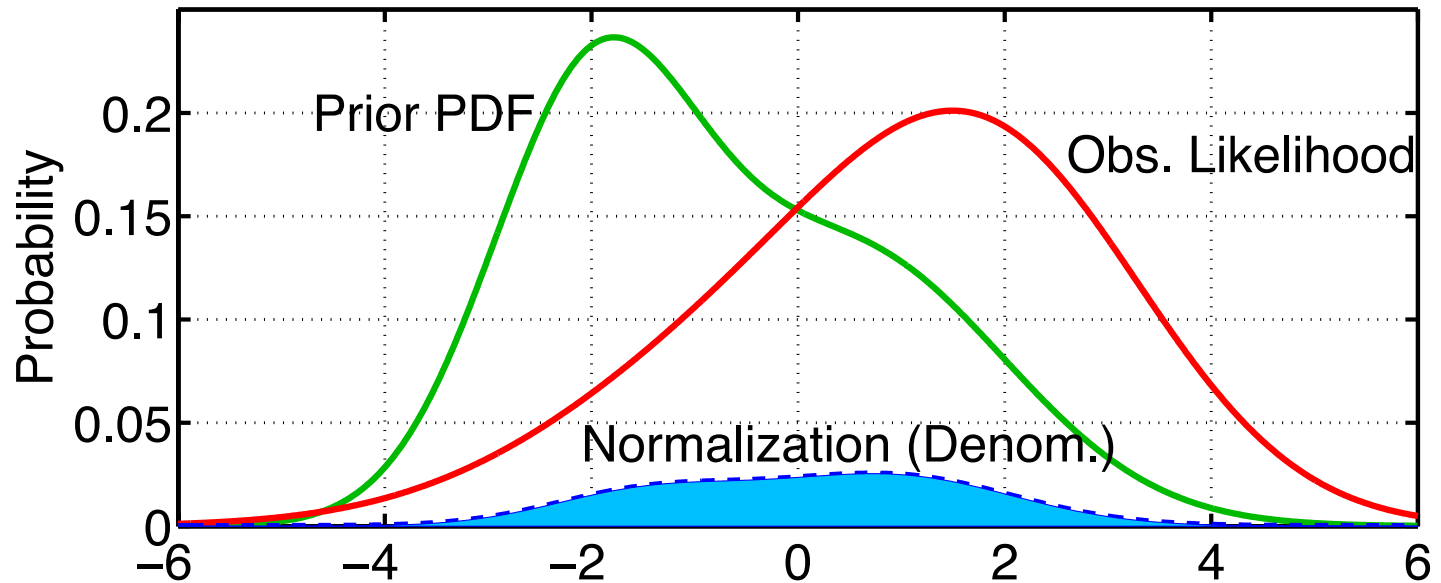
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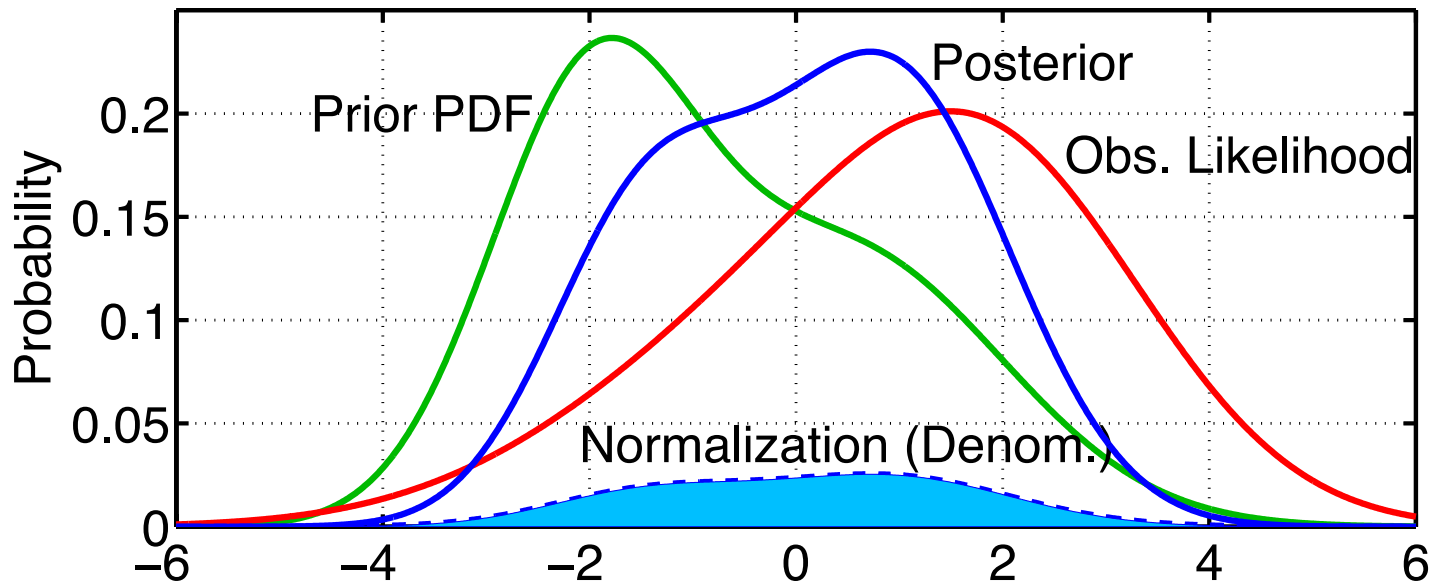
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Color Scheme

Green == Prior

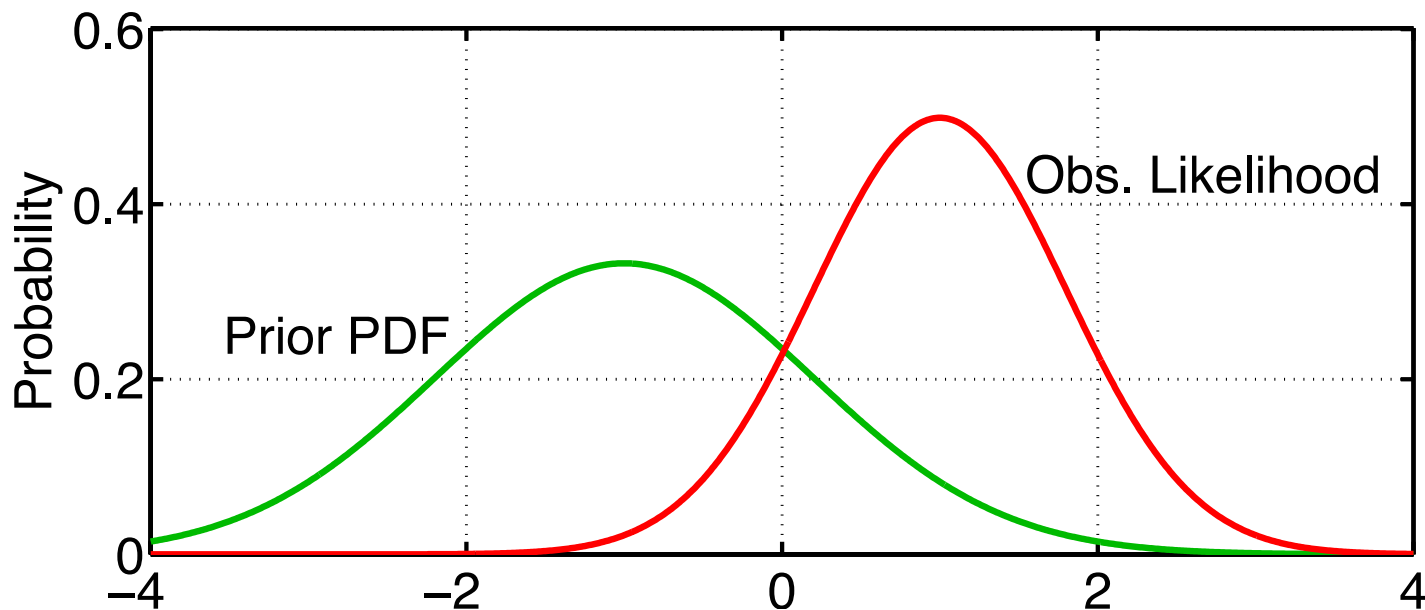
Red == Observation

Blue == Posterior

The same color scheme is used throughout ALL Tutorial materials.

Product of Two Gaussians

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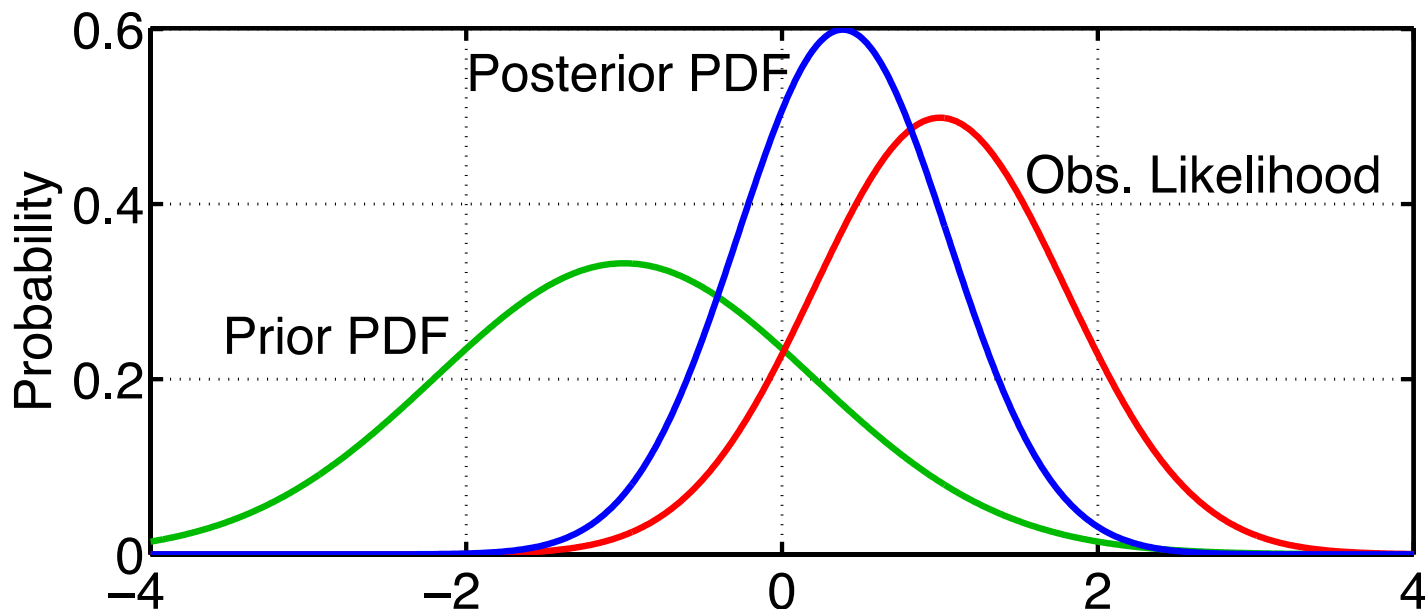
Any 1-D normal distribution can be represented as a PDF:

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_x \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu_x)^2}{2\sigma_x^2}\right)$$

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This product is closed for Gaussian distributions.



Product of Two Gaussians

Product of d-dimensional normals with means μ_1 and μ_2 and covariance matrices Σ_1 and Σ_2 is normal.

$$N(\mu_1, \Sigma_1)N(\mu_2, \Sigma_2) = cN(\mu, \Sigma)$$

Covariance: $\Sigma = (\Sigma_1^{-1} + \Sigma_2^{-1})^{-1}$

Mean: $\mu = (\Sigma_1^{-1} + \Sigma_2^{-1})^{-1}(\Sigma_1^{-1}\mu_1 + \Sigma_2^{-1}\mu_2)$

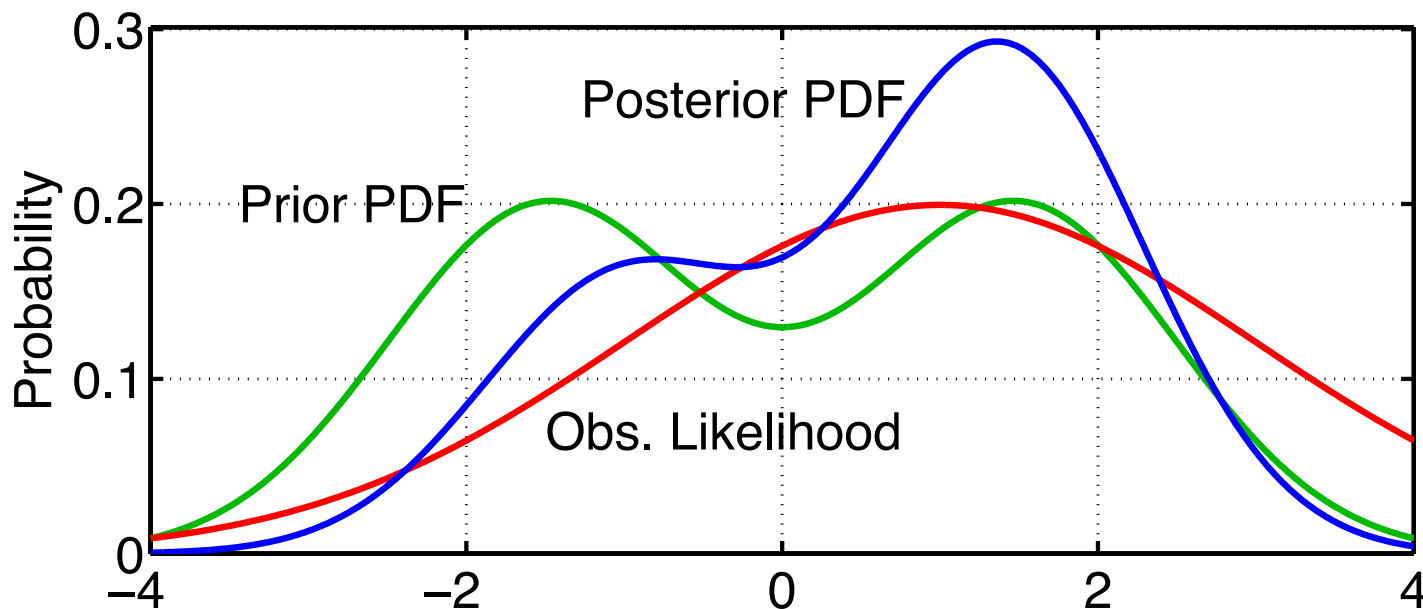
Weight: $c = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left[(\mu_2 - \mu_1)^T (\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)^{-1} (\mu_2 - \mu_1)\right]\right\}$

The weight is simply the normalization of the normal distribution defined by the product of the prior and observation likelihood.

Product of Two Gaussians

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This product can be determined analytically for Gaussian distributions.

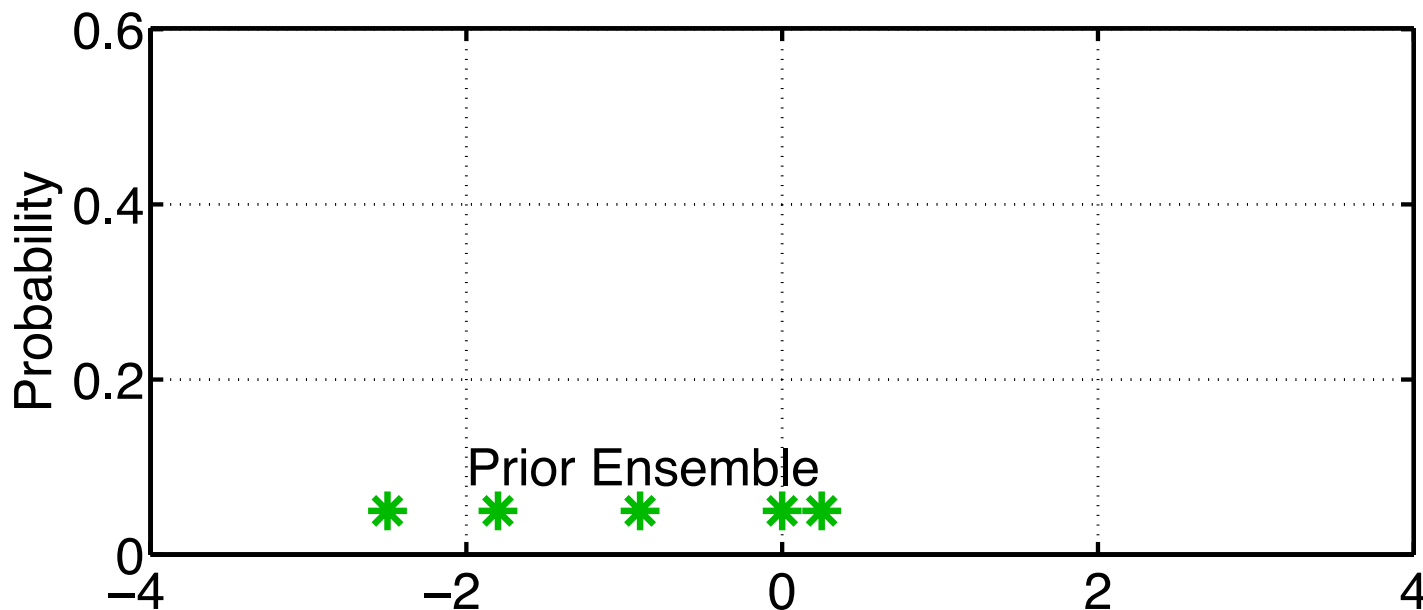


But, for general distributions, there's no analytical product.

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Ensemble filters: Prior is available as finite sample.

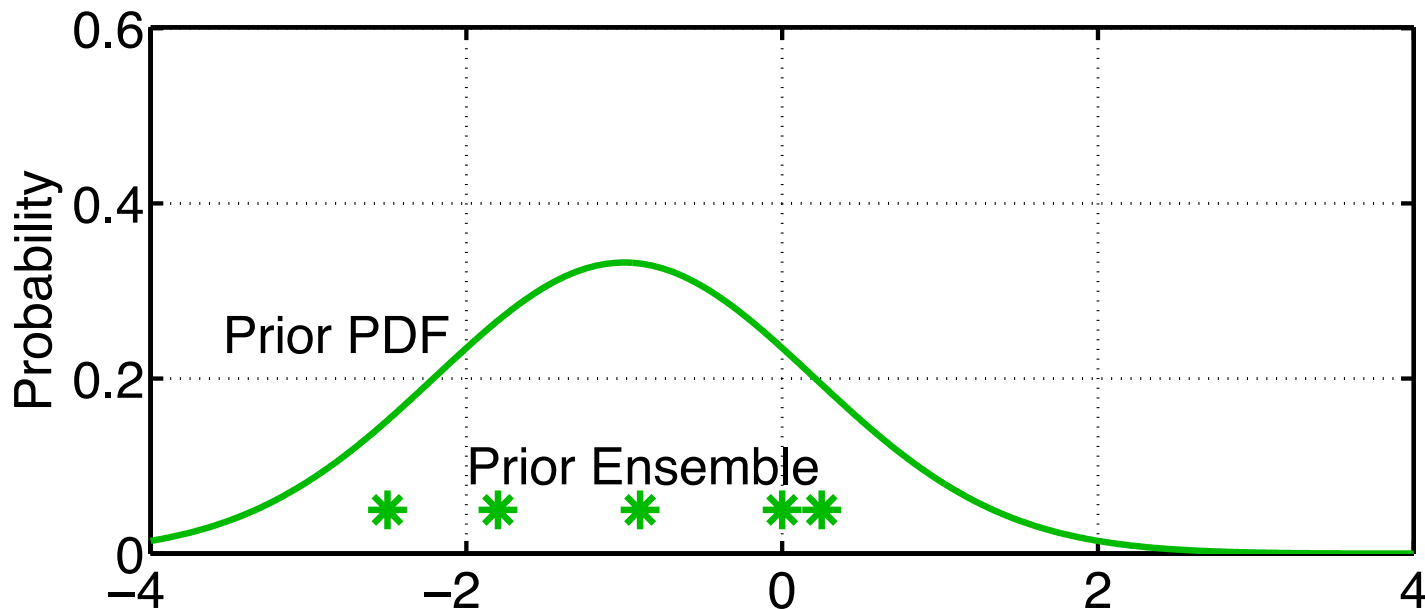


Don't know much about properties of this sample.
May naively assume it is random draw from 'truth'.

Product of Two Gaussians

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How can we take product of sample with continuous likelihood?

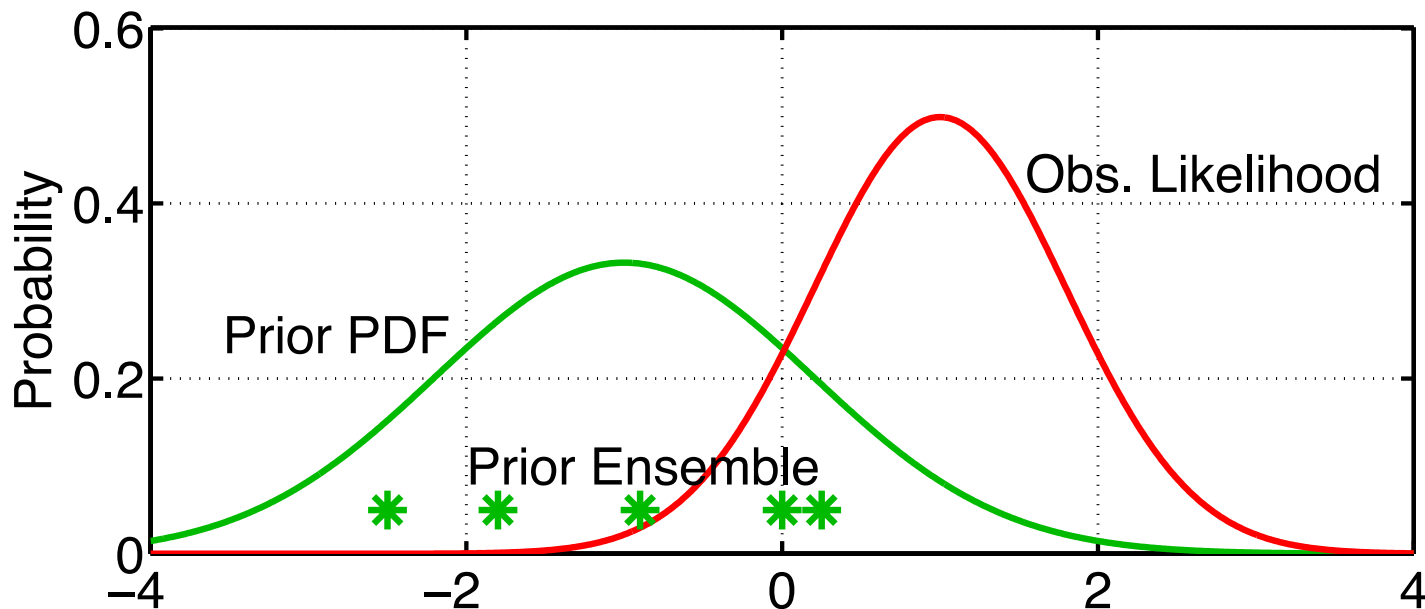


Fit a continuous (Gaussian for now) distribution to sample.

Product of Two Gaussians

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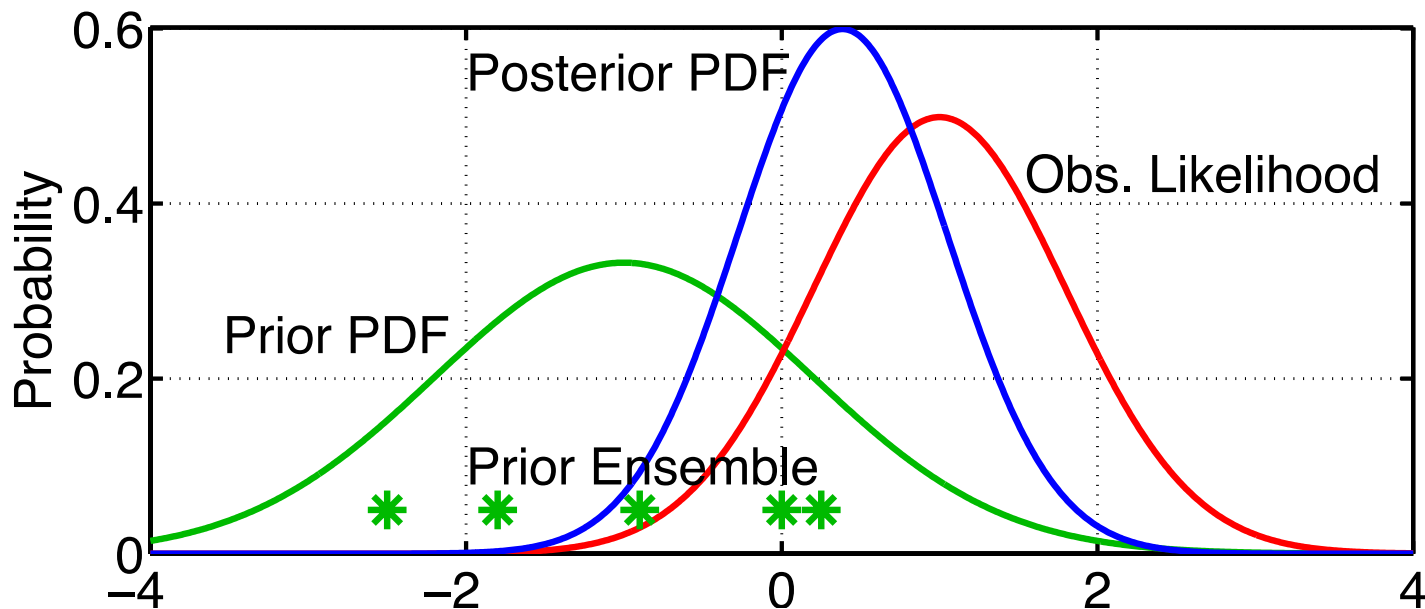
Observation likelihood usually continuous (nearly always Gaussian).



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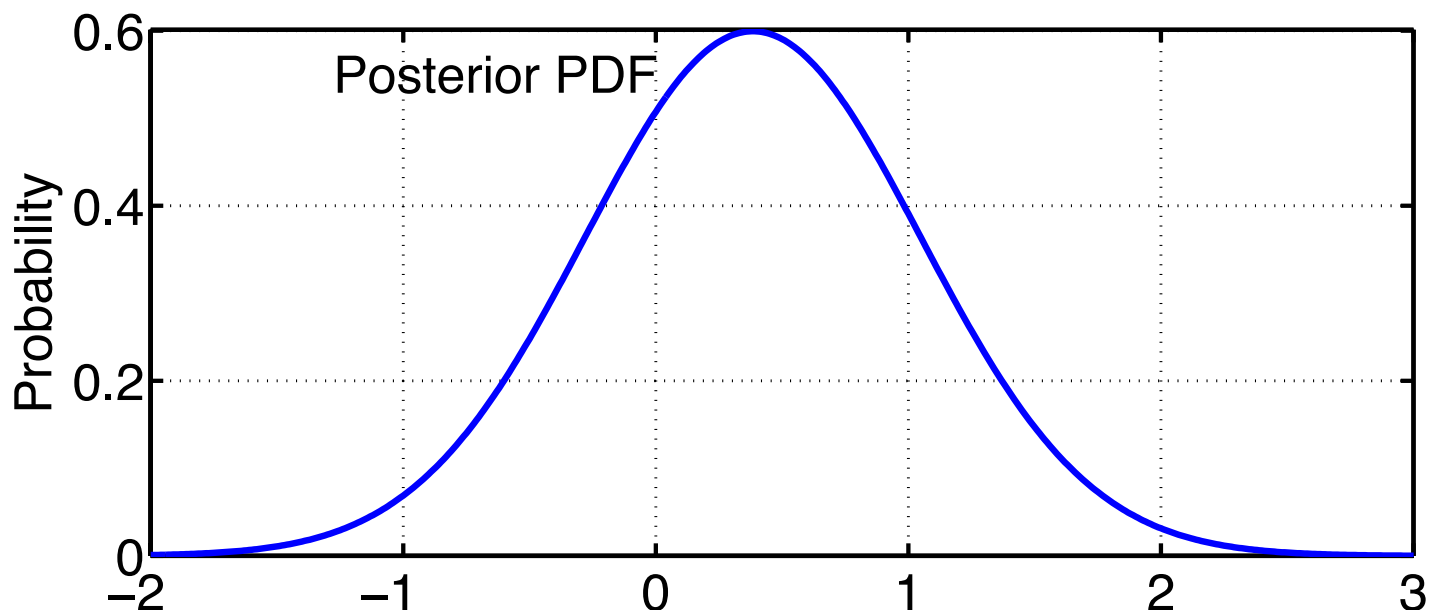
Product of prior Gaussian fit and Obs. likelihood is Gaussian.



Analytically computing continuous posterior is simple. BUT, we need to have a SAMPLE of this PDF...

Sampling Posterior PDF

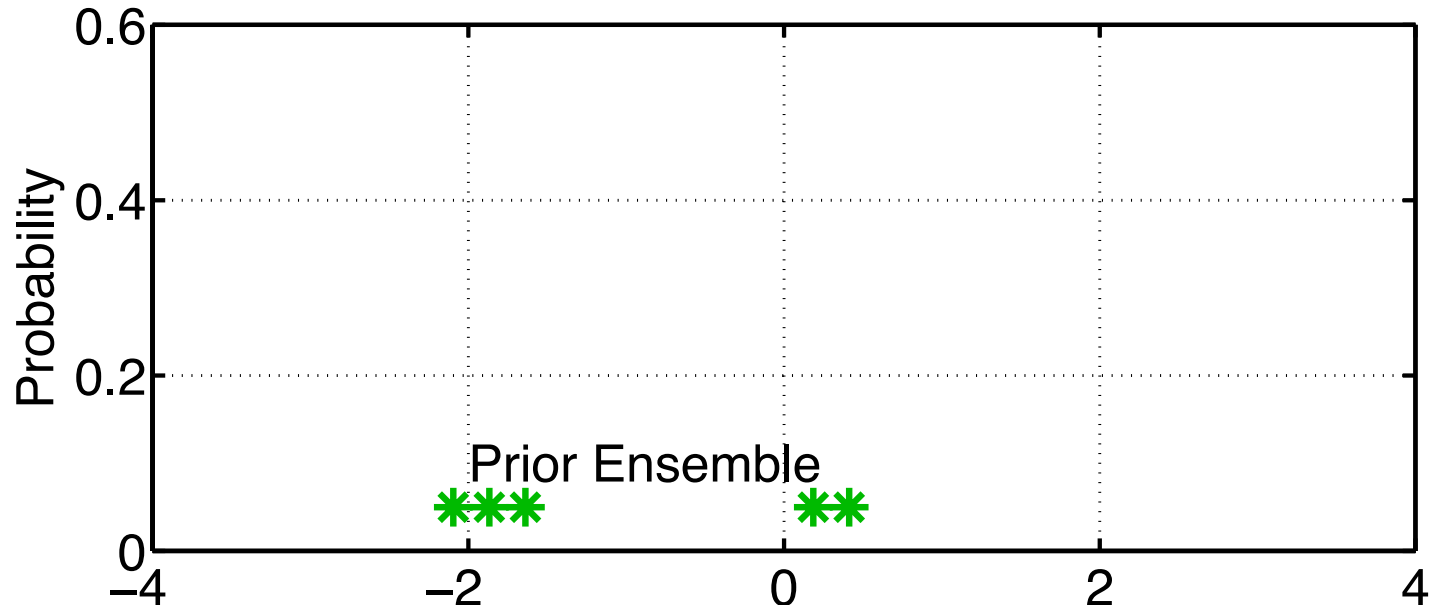
There are many ways to do this.



Exact properties of different methods may be unclear.
Trial and error still best way to see how they perform.
Will interact with properties of prediction models, etc.

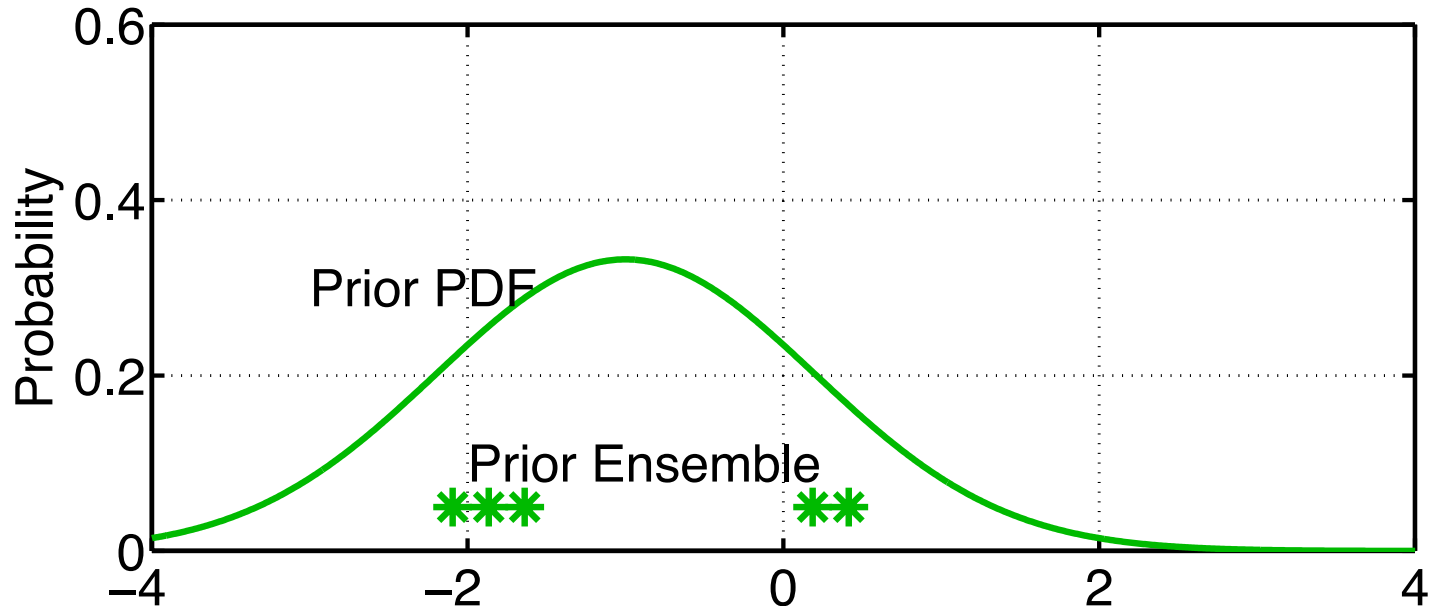
Sampling Posterior PDF

Ensemble Adjustment (Kalman) Filter



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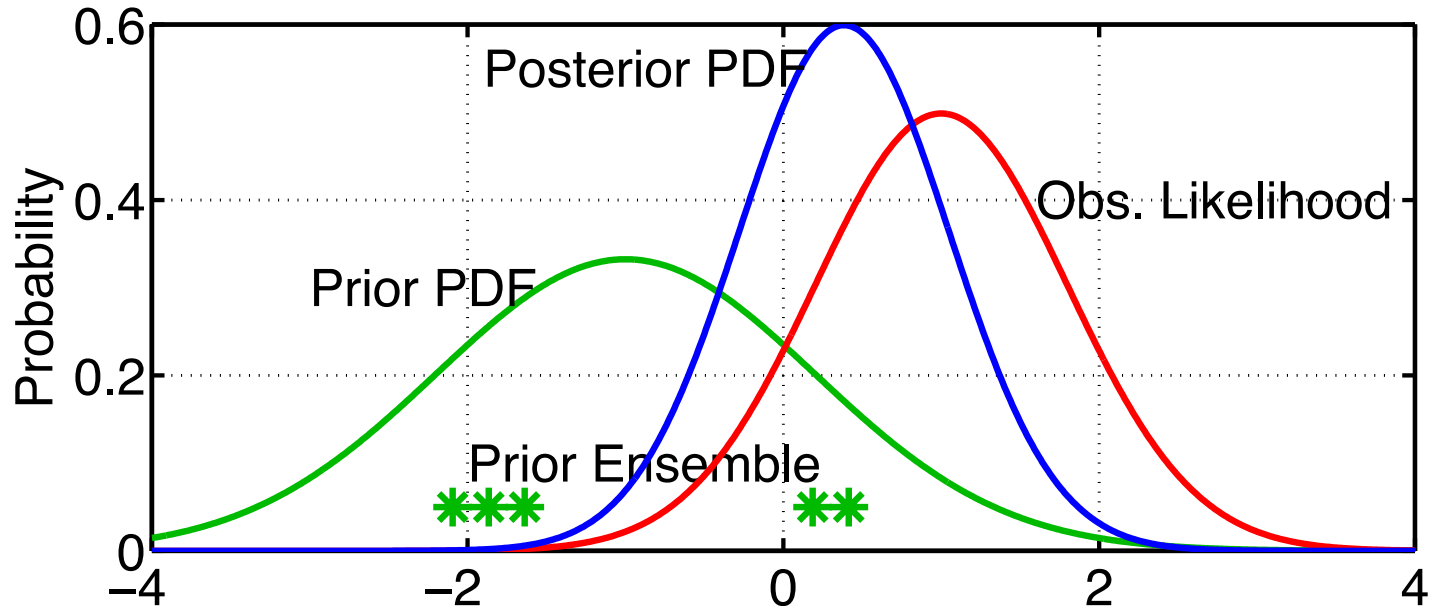
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Again, fit a Gaussian to sample.

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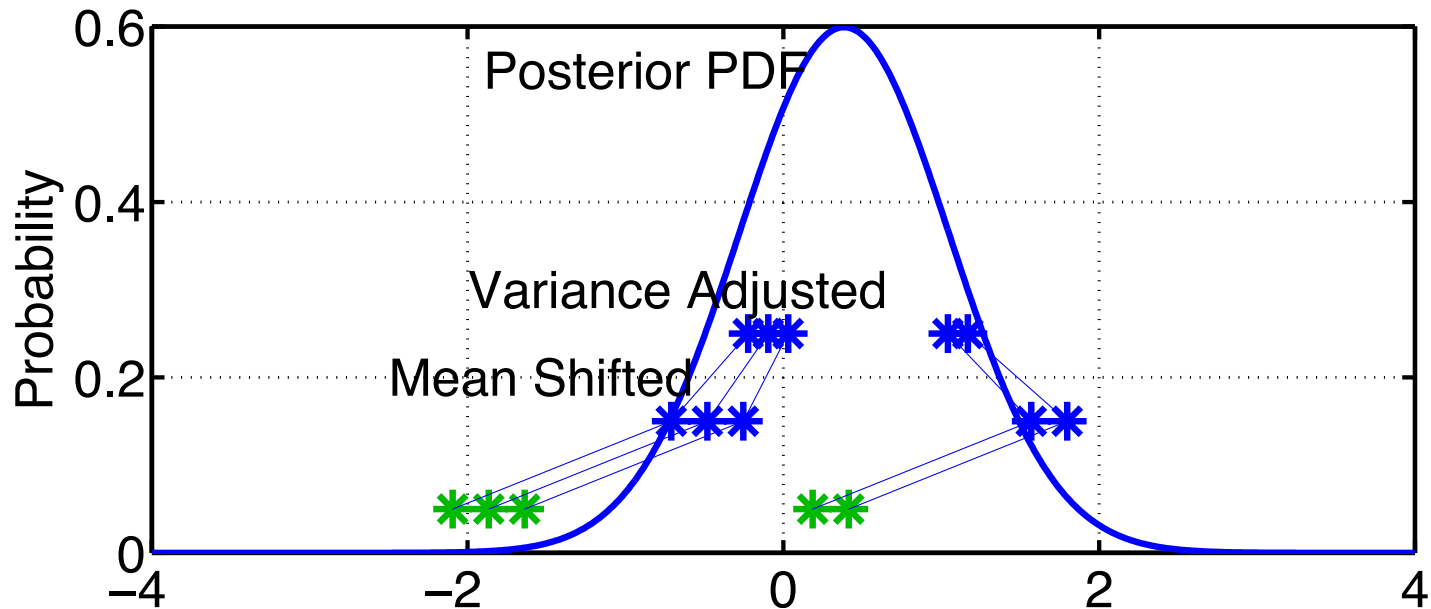
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Compute posterior PDF (same as previous algorithms).

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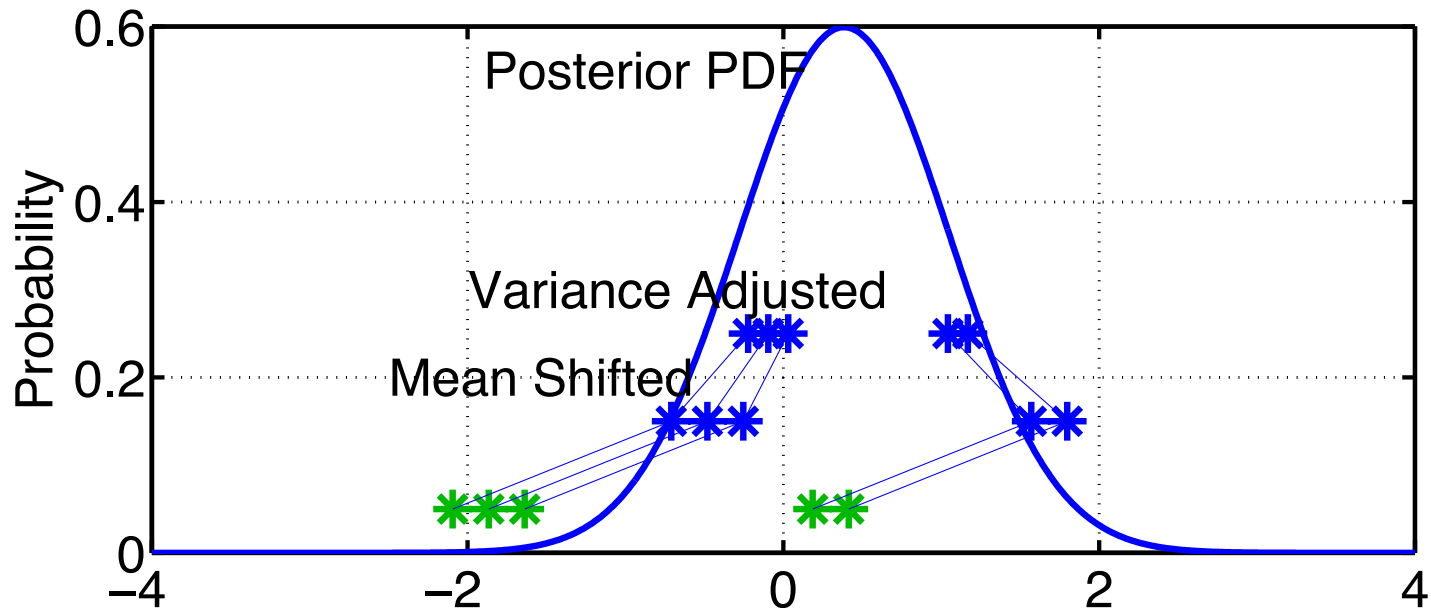


Use deterministic algorithm to 'adjust' ensemble.

1. 'Shift' ensemble to have exact mean of posterior.
2. Use linear contraction to have exact variance of posterior.

Sampling Posterior PDF

Ensemble Adjustment (Kalman) Filter



$$x_i^u = \left(x_i^p - \bar{x}^p\right) \cdot \left(\sigma^u / \sigma^p\right) + \bar{x}^u$$

$i = 1, \dots$, ensemble size.

p is prior,

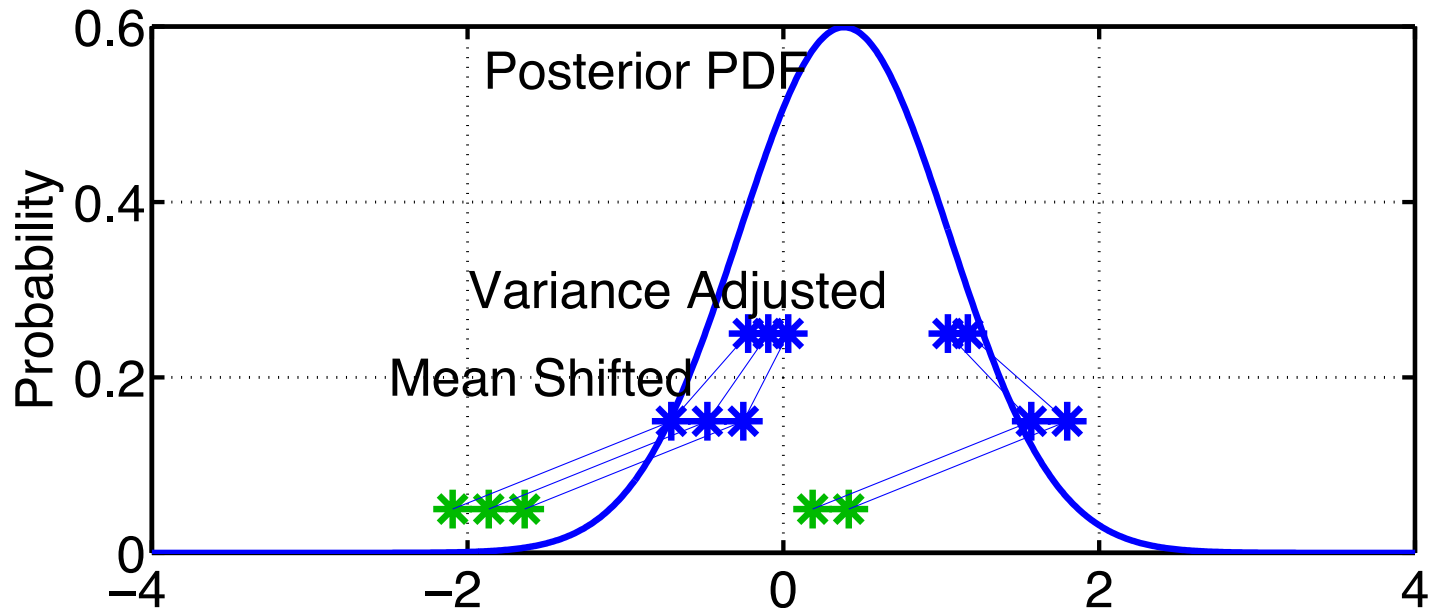
u is update (posterior),

σ is standard deviation,

overbar is ensemble mean.

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Bimodality maintained, but not appropriately positioned or weighted. No problem with random outliers.