

10-424/624: Bayesian Methods in ML

Lecture 9: Supplement & Figures

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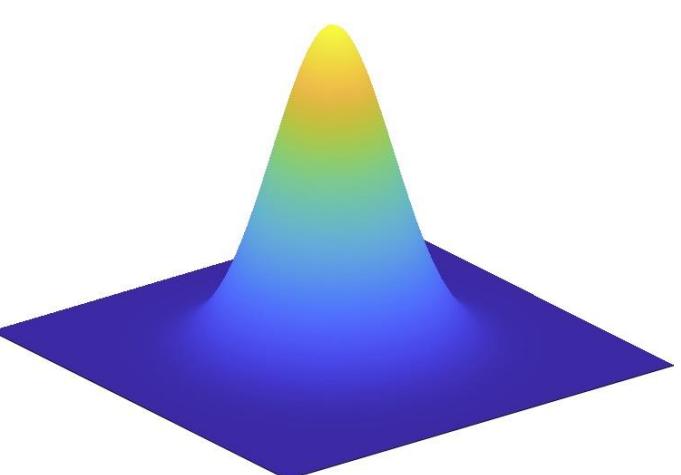
Some old
friends

Gaussian process =
Bayesian linear regression + Kernels

A new
perspective

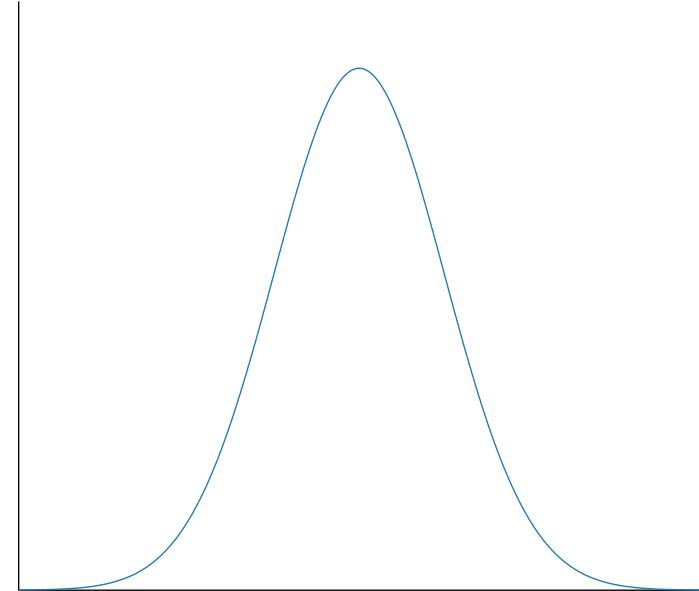
Gaussian process =
The extension of a Gaussian
distribution to functions

Gaussians



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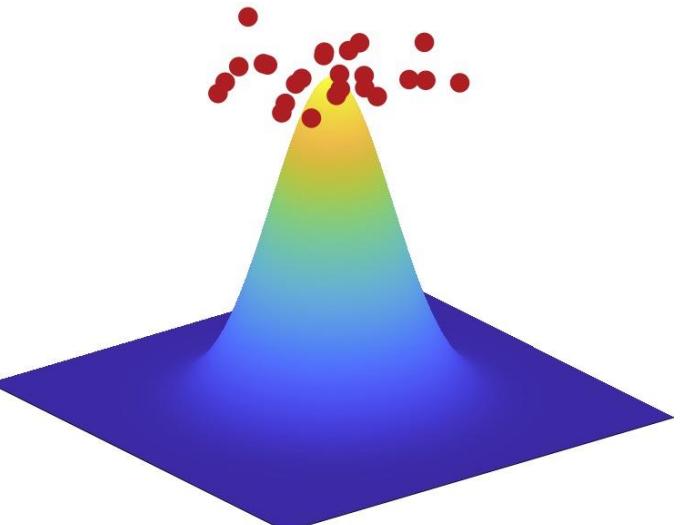


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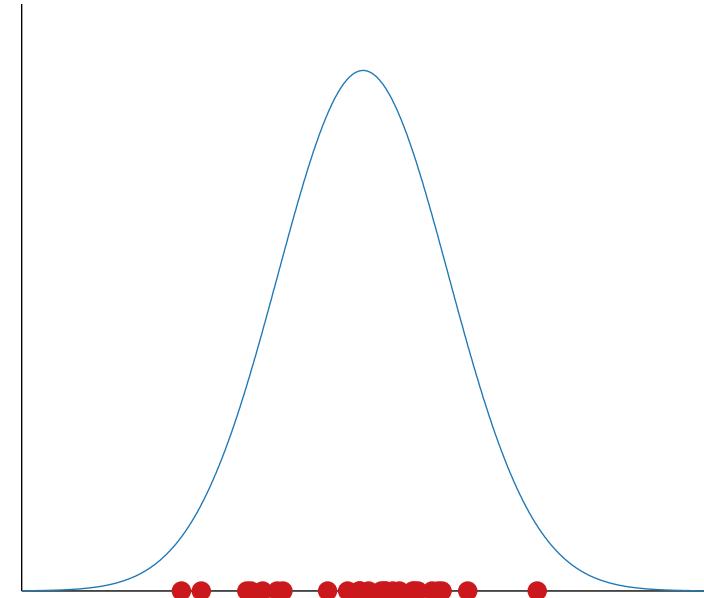
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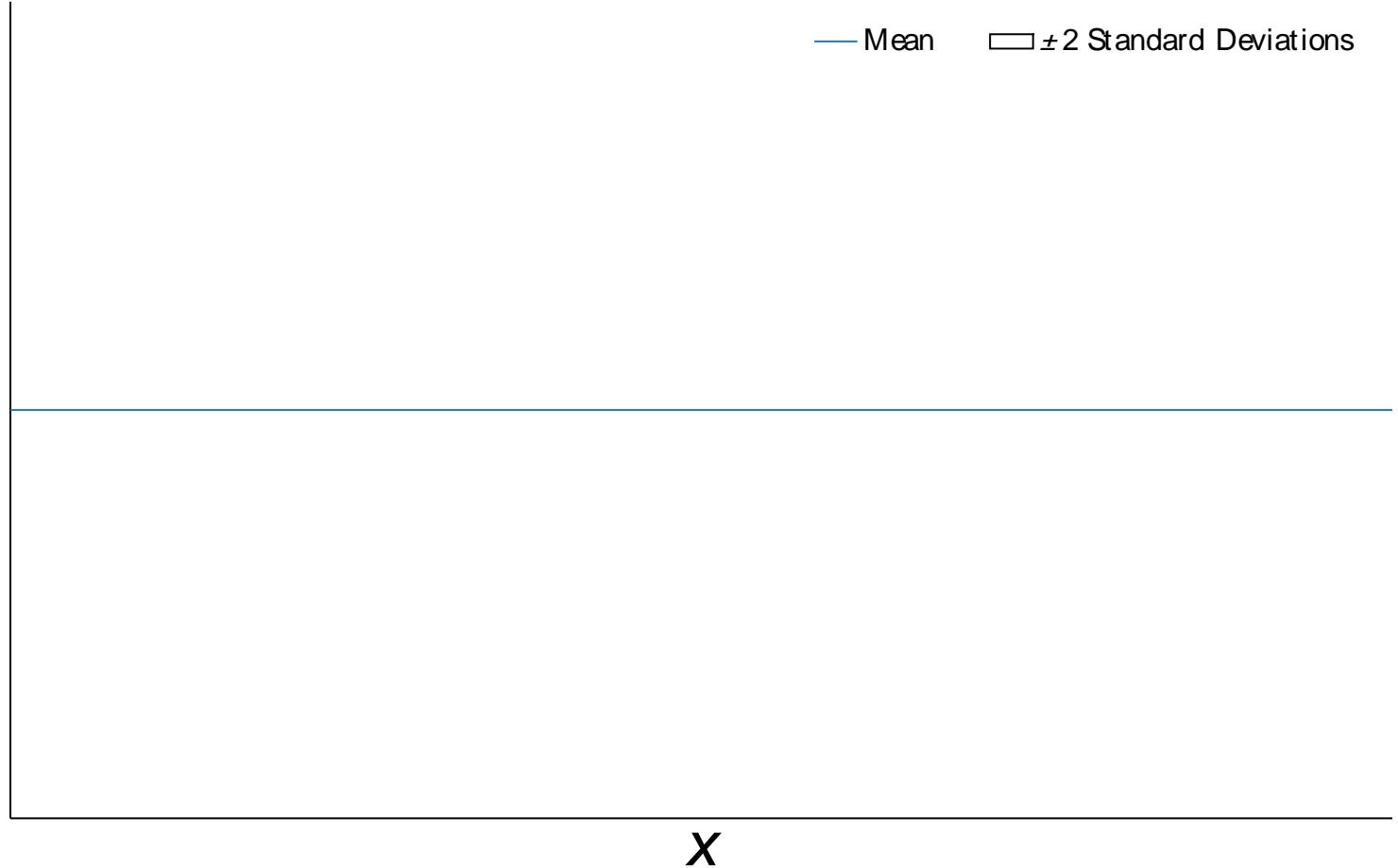
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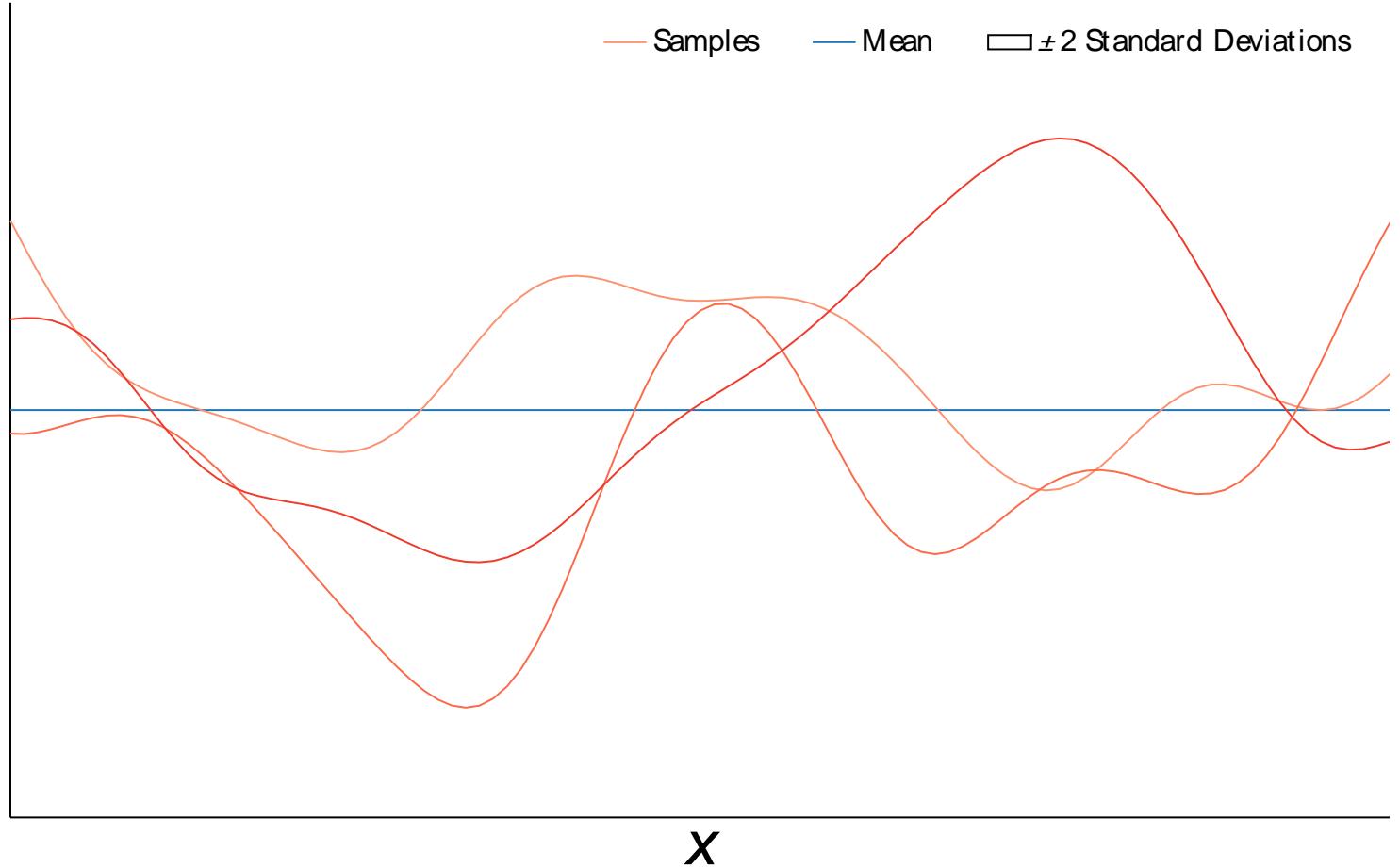
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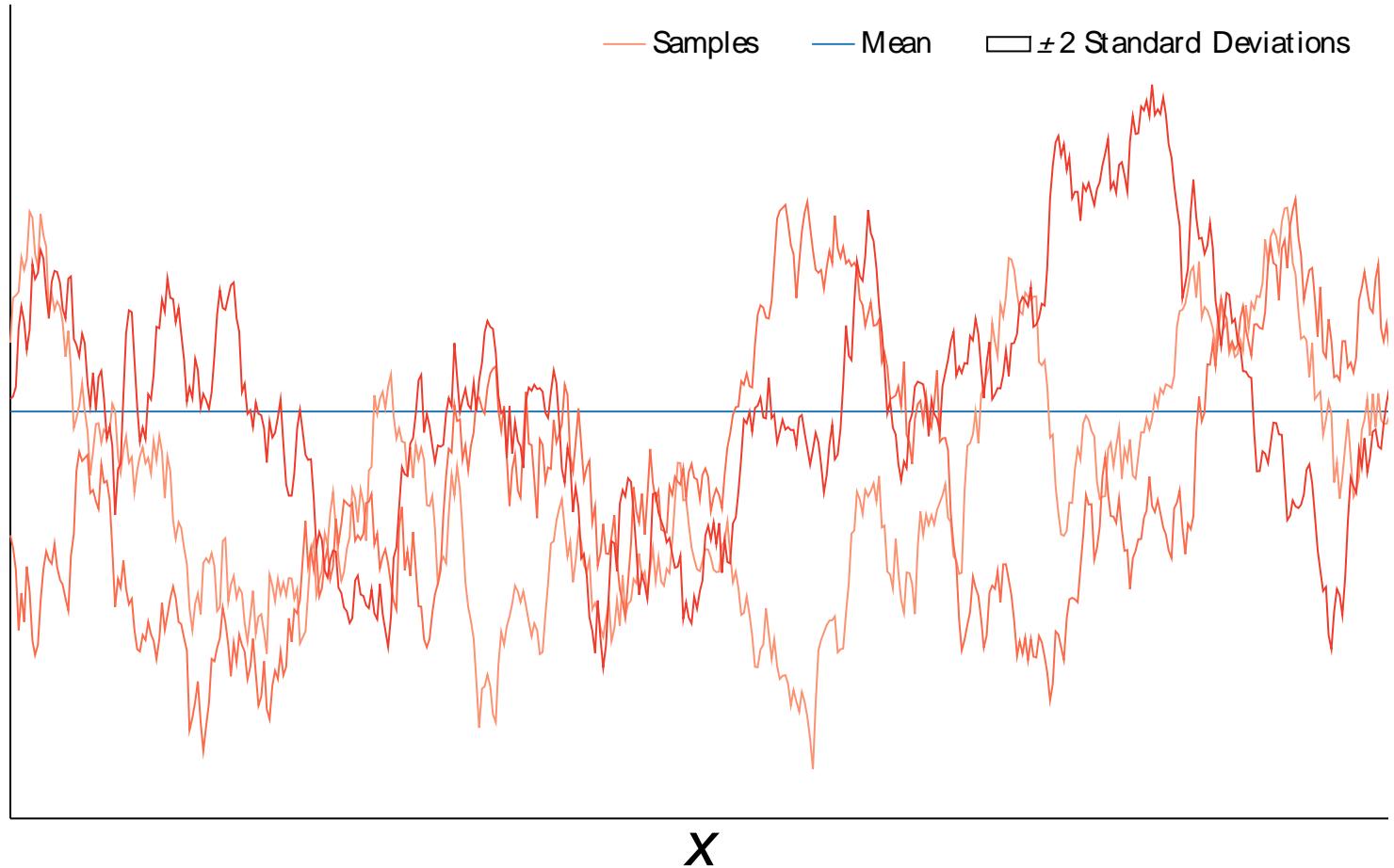
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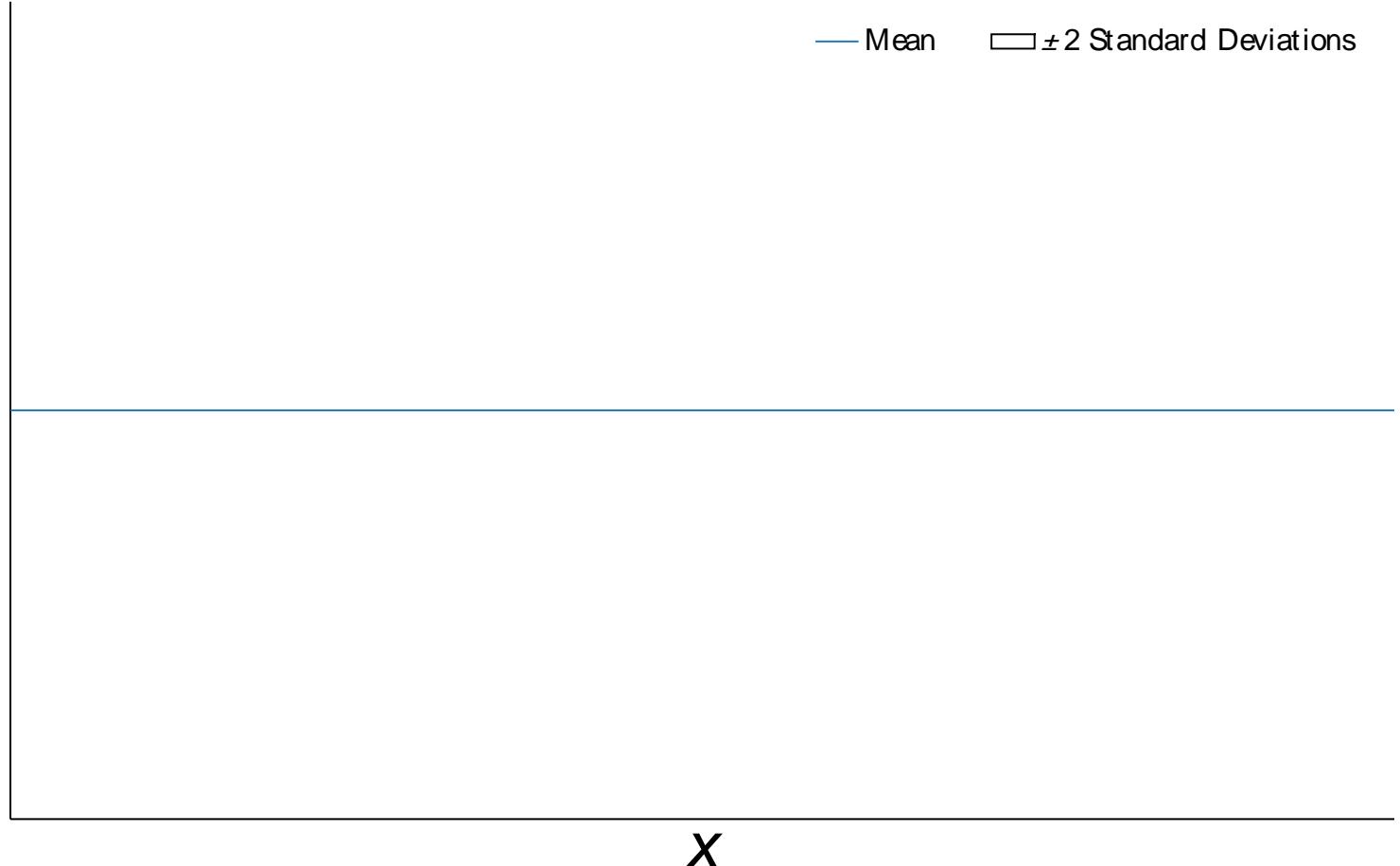
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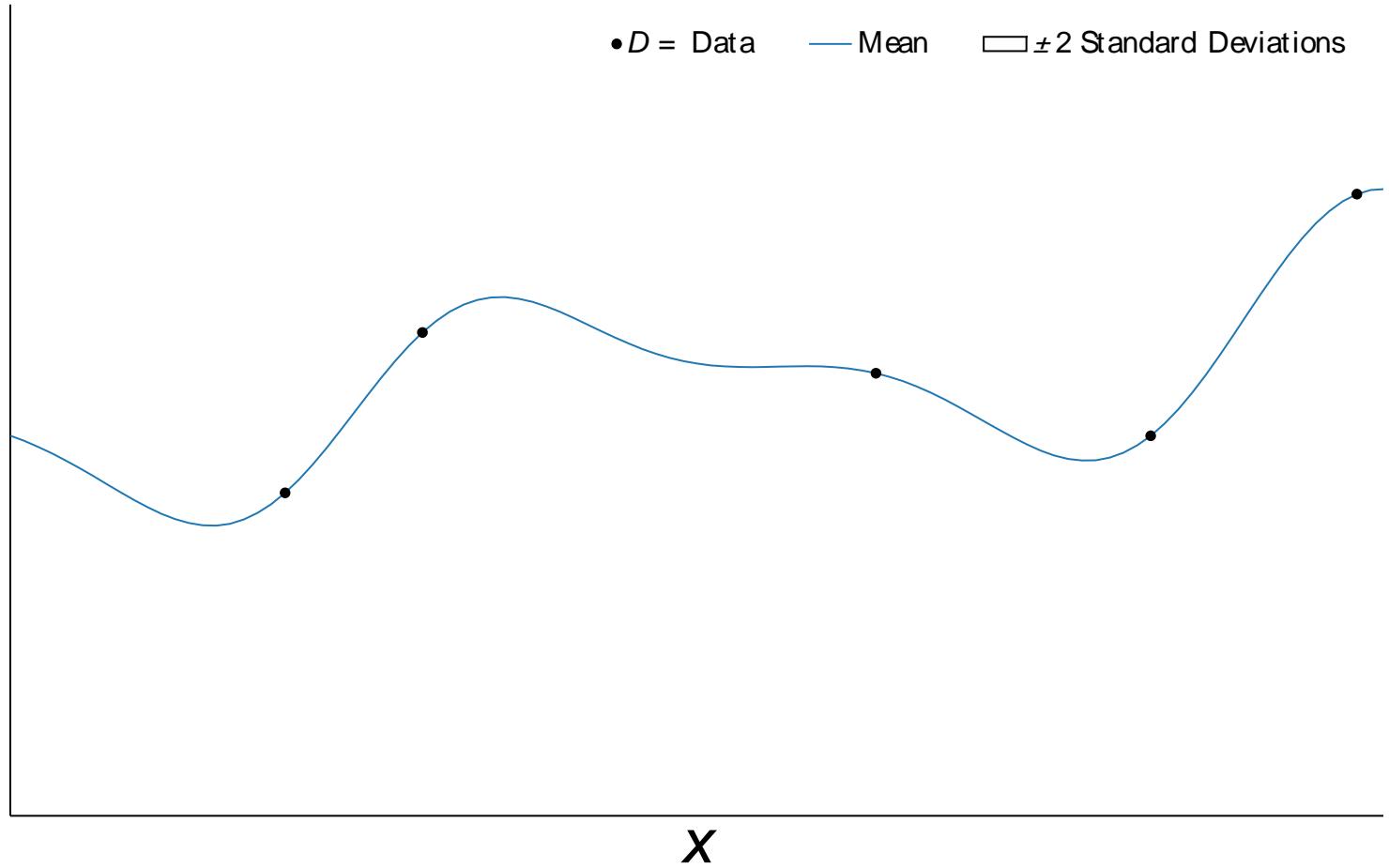
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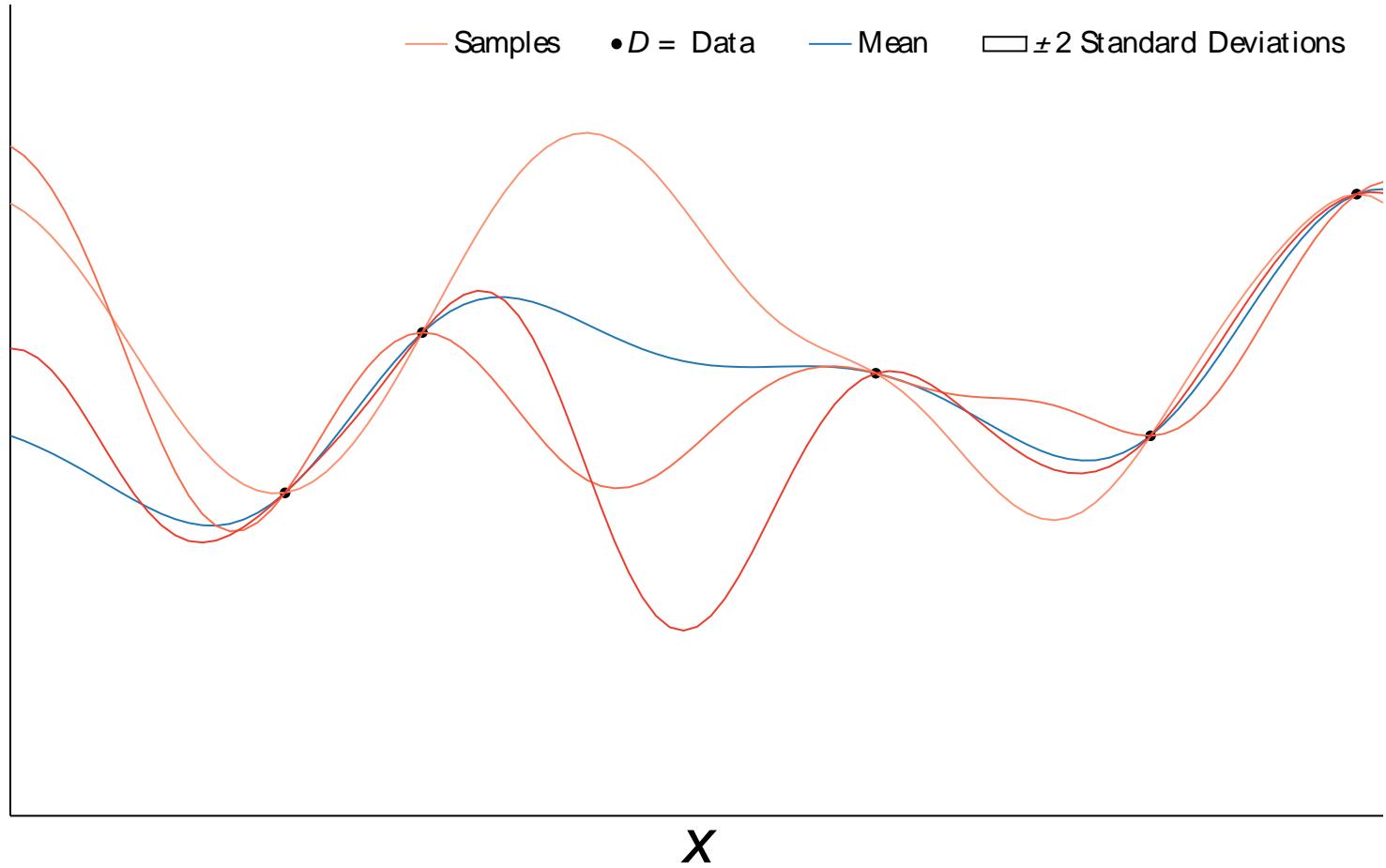
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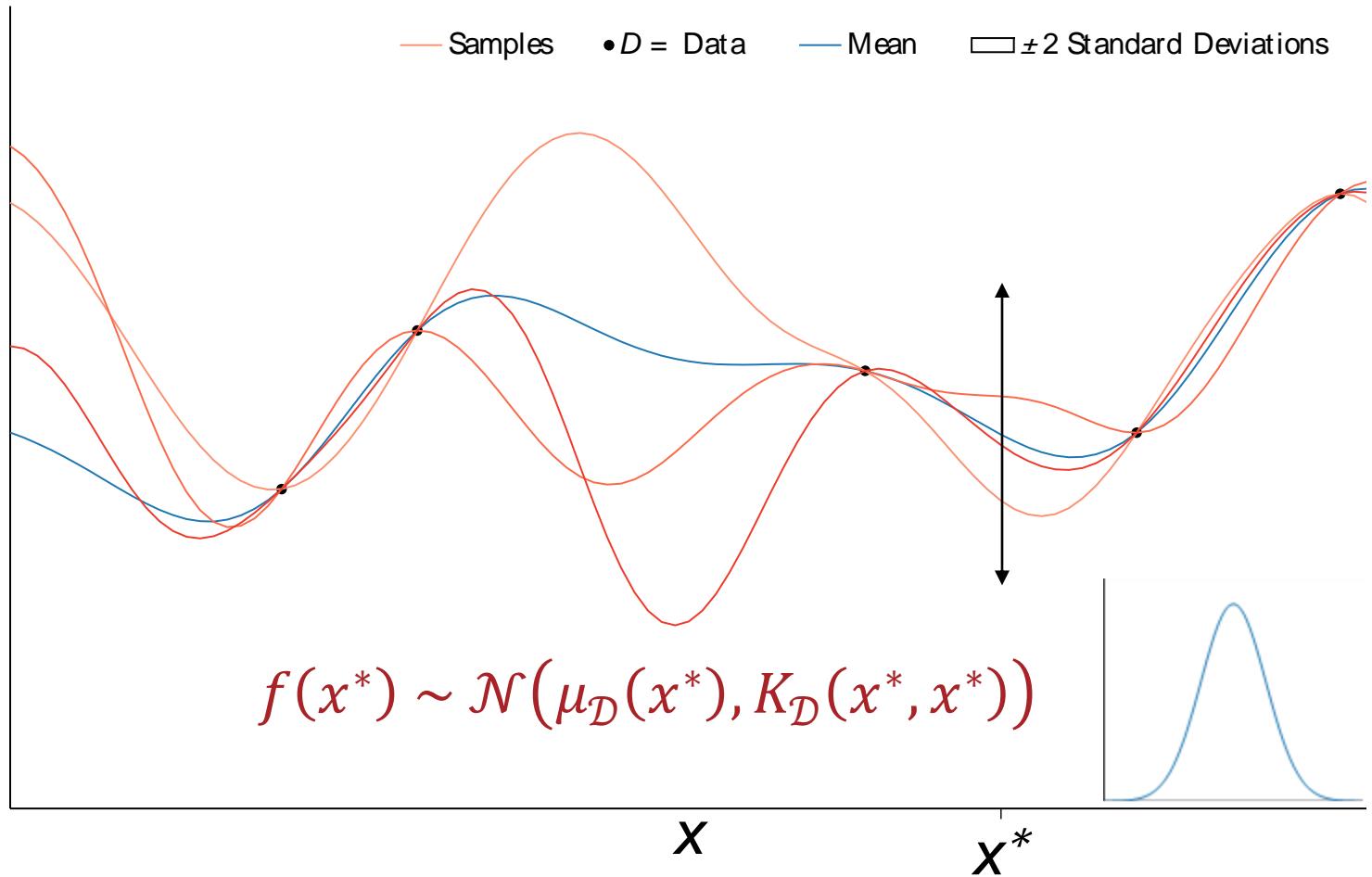
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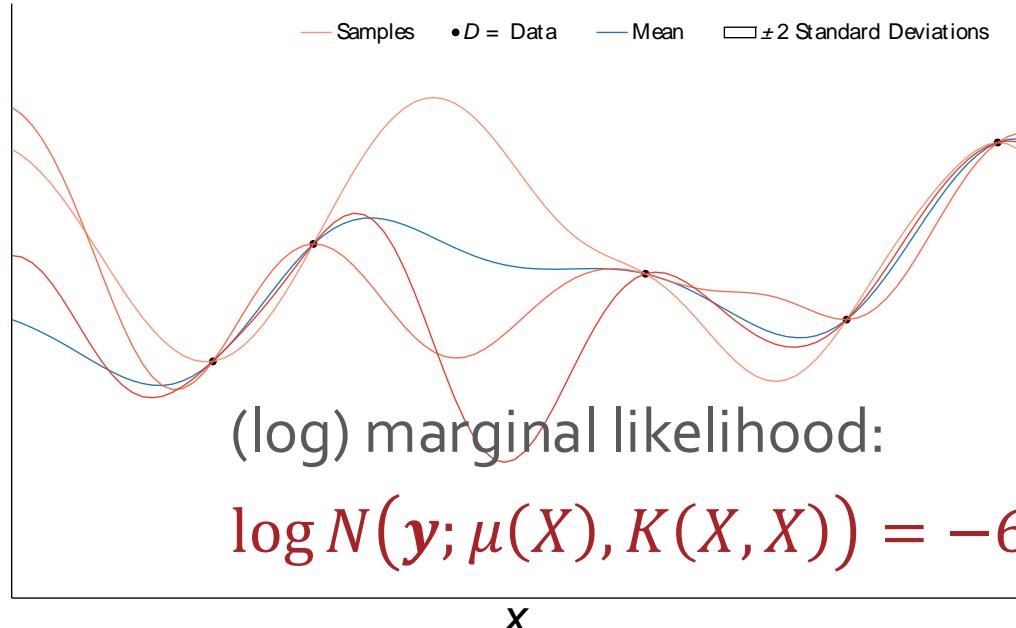
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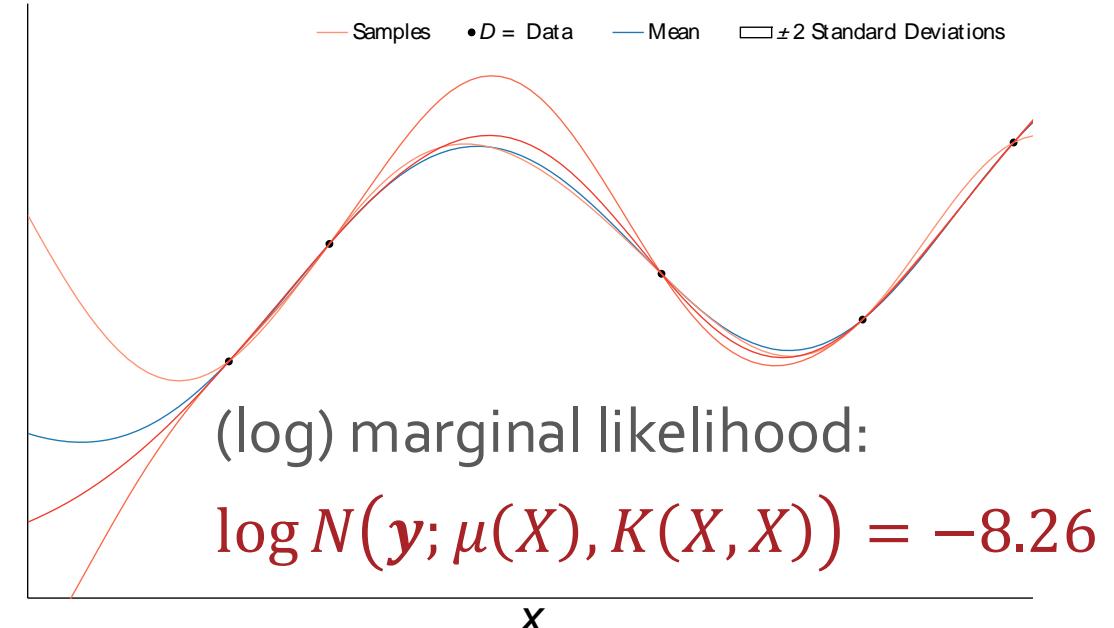
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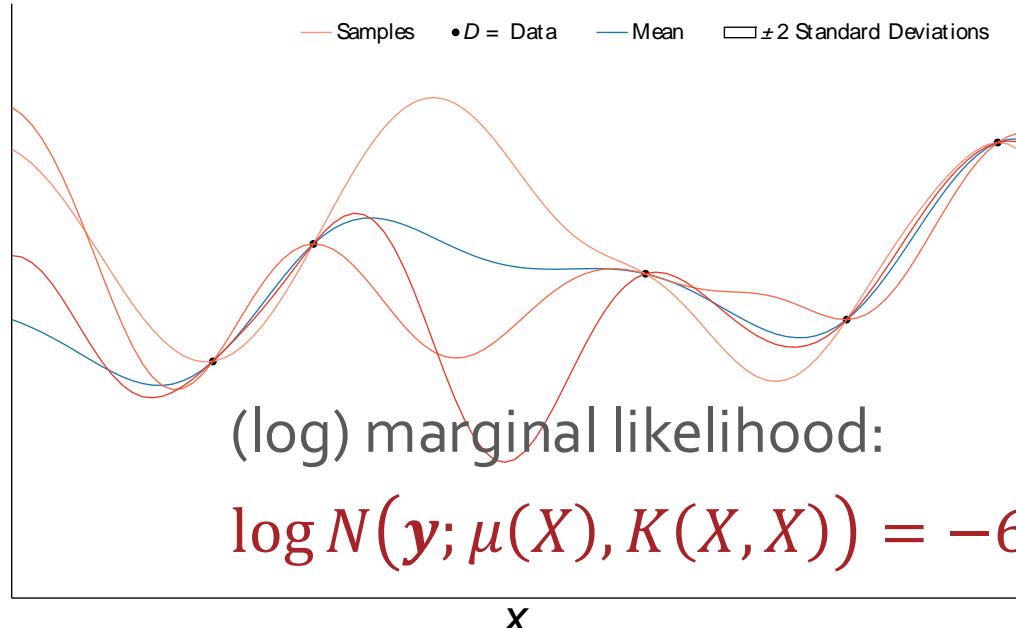


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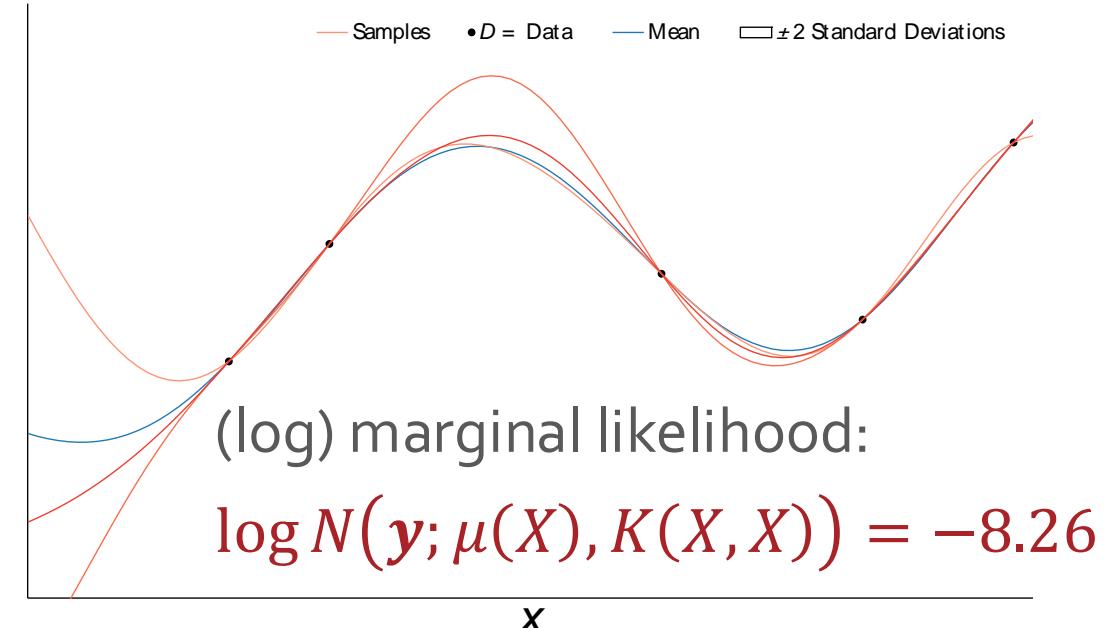


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Kernel Hyperparameters

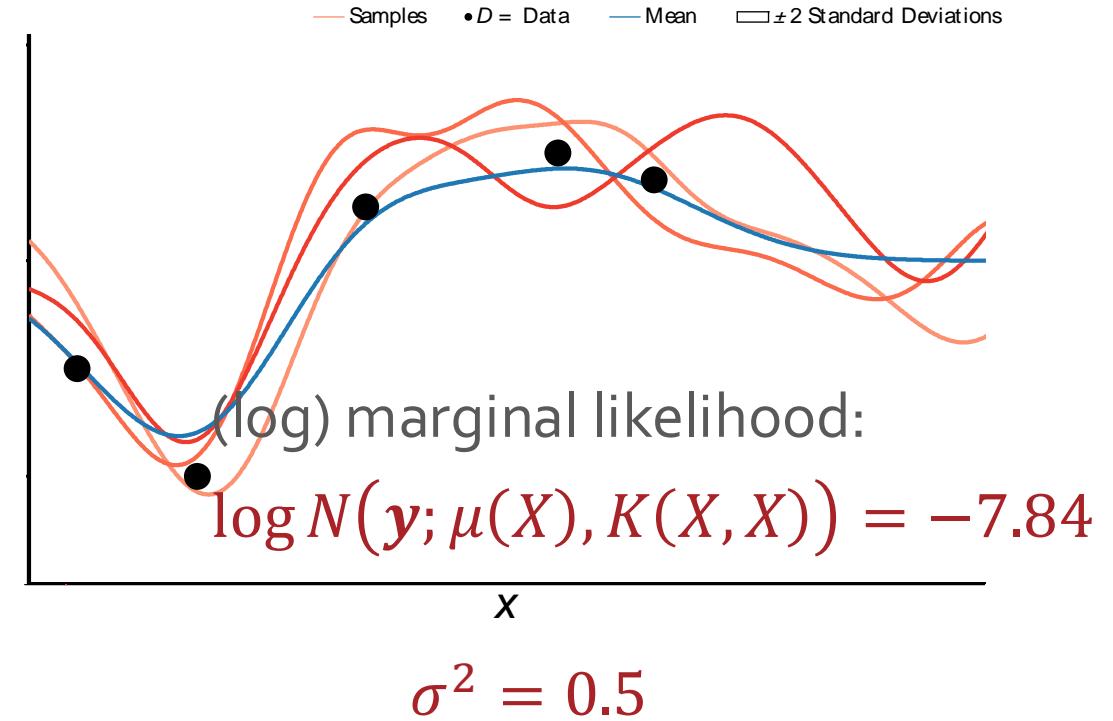
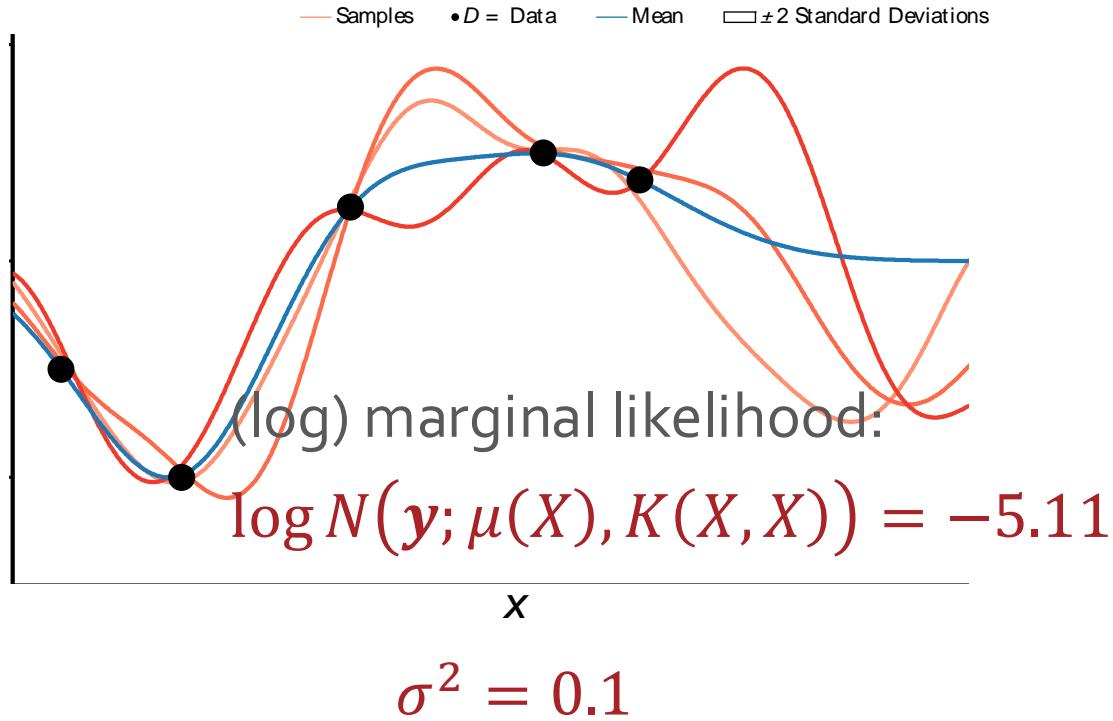


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Wait, does this model always have zero training error rate???



Noise