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- **Solution:** Derive **iteration formulae** for calculating the pdfs! Develop a mechanism for **initiation**! By doing so, exploit all **background information** available! Derive state **estimates** from the pdfs along with appropriate **quality measures**!

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- *certain knowledge* on  $x$ :  $p(x) = \delta(x - y)$  ‘=’  $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-y)^2}{\sigma^2}}$
- *transformed RV*  $y = t[x]$ :  $p(y) = \int dx p(y, x) = \int dx p(y|x) p_x(x) = \int dx \delta(y - t[x]) p_x(x) =: [\mathcal{T} p_x](y)$  ( $\mathcal{T} : p_x \mapsto p$ , “transfer operator”)



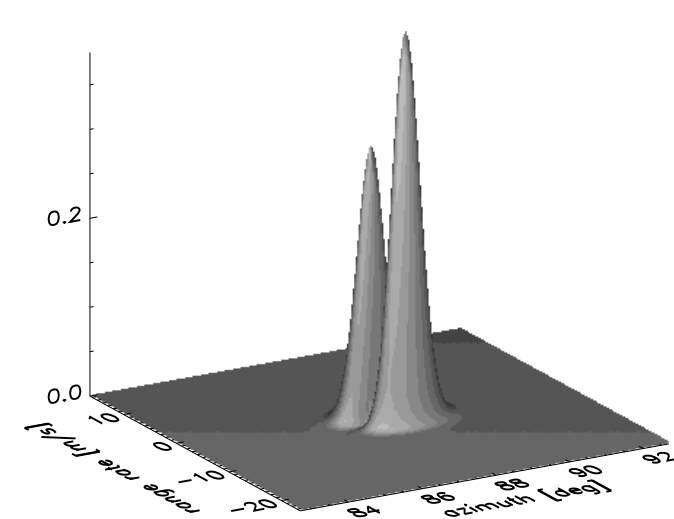
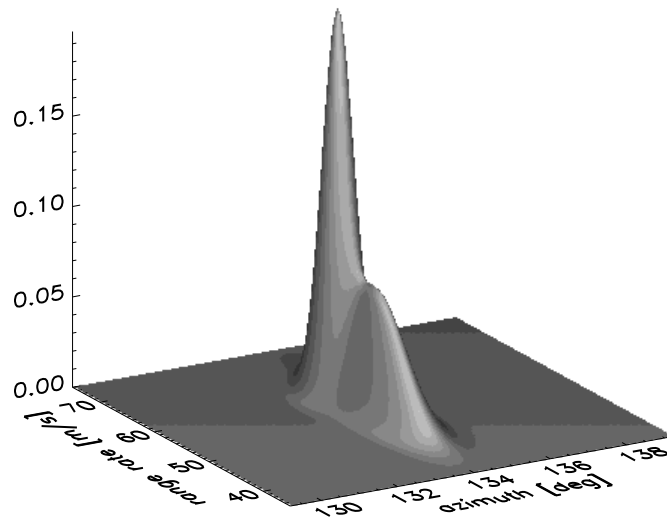
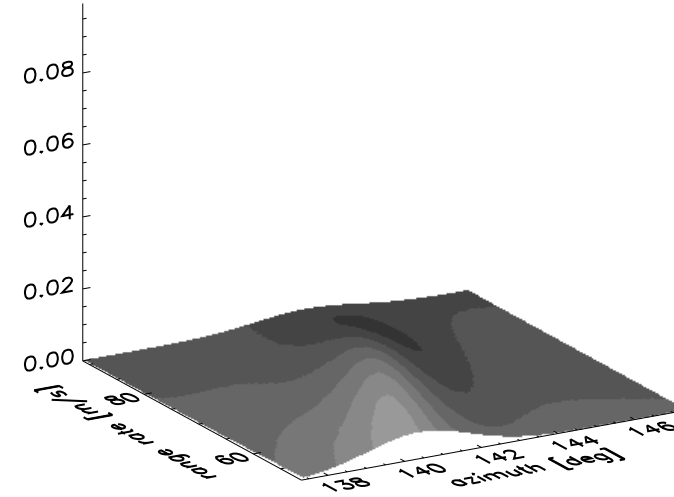
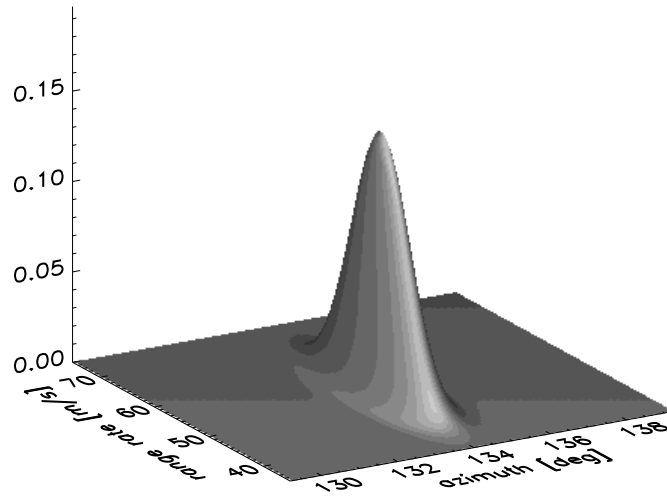
# Characterize an object by *quantitatively describable* properties: object state

*Examples:*

- object position  $x$  on a strait line:  $x \in \mathbb{R}$
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Learn unknown object states from imperfect measurements and describe by functions  $p(\mathbf{x})$  imprecise knowledge mathematically precisely!

Interpret unknown object states as *random variables*,  $x$  [1D] or  $\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\mathbf{X}$  [vector / matrix variate]), characterized by corresponding *probability density functions* (pdf).



The concrete shape of the pdf  $p(\mathbf{x})$  contains the full knowledge on  $\mathbf{x}$ !

**Information on a random variable (RV) can be extracted by integration from the corresponding pdf. !**

**at present: one dimensional case:**

***How probable is it that  $x \in (a, b) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  holds?***

Answer: 
$$P\{x \in (a, b)\} = \int_a^b dx p(x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad p(x) \geq 0$$

in particular: 
$$P\{x \in \mathbb{R}\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx p(x) = 1 \quad (\text{normalization})$$

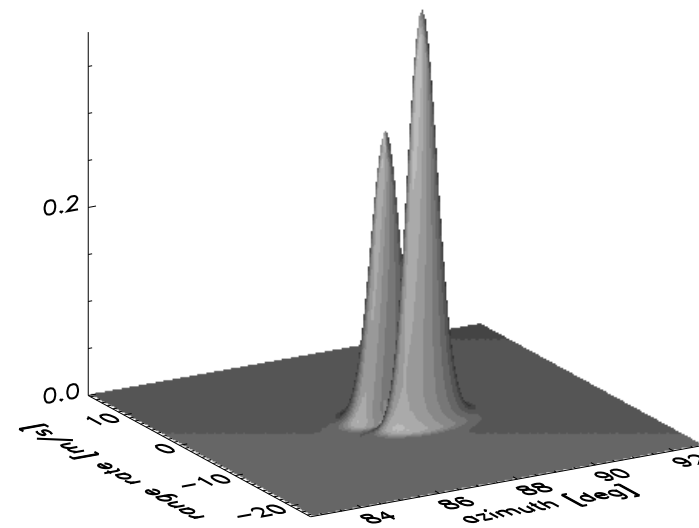
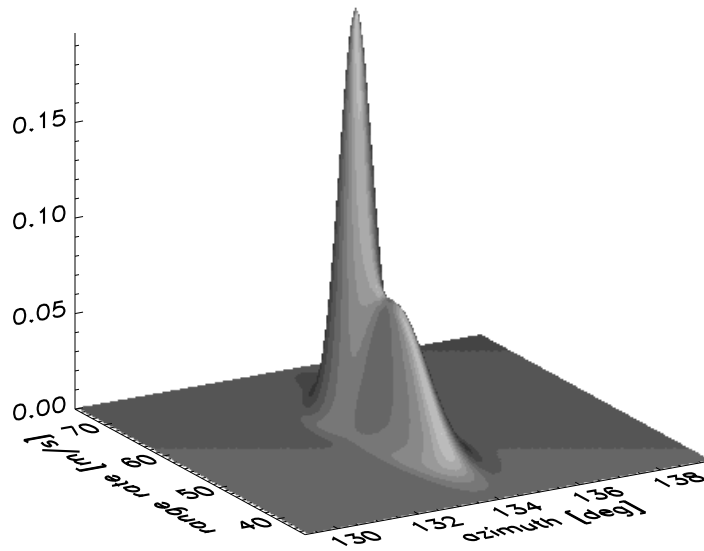
intuitive interpretation: *“the object is somewhere in  $\mathbb{R}$ ”*

**loosely:  $p(x) dx$  is probability for  $x$  having a value between  $x$  and  $x + dx$**

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*instead:* Calculate the centroid of the pdf!

$$\mathbb{E}[x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \, x \, p(x) = \bar{x} \quad \text{“expectation value”}$$

*more generally:* Consider functions  $g : x \mapsto g(x)$  of the RV  $x$ !

$$\mathbb{E}[g(x)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \, g(x) \, p(x), \quad \text{“expectation value of the observable } g\text{”}$$

*Example:* Consider the observable  $\frac{1}{2}mx^2$  (kinetic energy,  $x$  = speed)

# Recapitulation: An important observable: the “error” of an estimate

- **Quality:** How useful is an expectation value  $\bar{x} = \mathbb{E}[x]$ ?

Consider special observables as distance measure:

$$g(x) = |x - \bar{x}| \quad \text{oder} \quad g(x) = (x - \bar{x})^2$$

quadratic measures: computationally more comfortable!

‘expected error’ of the expectation value  $\bar{x}$ :

$$\mathbb{V}[x] = \mathbb{E}[(x - \bar{x})^2], \quad \sigma_x = \sqrt{\mathbb{V}[x]}$$

variance, standard deviation

## Exercise 1.1

Show that  $\mathbb{V}[x] = \mathbb{E}[x^2] - \mathbb{E}[x]^2$  holds. **(today!)**

Expectation value of the observable  $x^2$  also called “2nd moment” of the pdf of  $x$ .

Calculate expectation and variance of the **uniform density** of a RV  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  in the intervall  $[a, b]$ . **(today!)**

## Exercise 1.2

$$p(x) = \mathcal{U}(\underbrace{x}_{\text{ZV}}; \underbrace{a, b}_{\text{Parameter}}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & x \in [a, b] \\ 0 & \text{sonst} \end{cases}$$

Pdf correctly normalized?  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \mathcal{U}(x; a, b) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b dx = 1$

$$\mathbb{E}[x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x \mathcal{U}(x; a, b) = \frac{b+a}{2}$$

$$\mathbb{V}[x] = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b dx x^2 - \mathbb{E}[x]^2 = \frac{1}{12}(b-a)^2$$

## Important example: $x$ *normally distributed* over $\mathbb{R}$ (Gauß)

- *wanted*: probabilities concentrated around  $\mu$
- quadratic distance:  $\|x - \mu\|^2 = \frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^2 / \sigma^2$  (mathematically convenient!)
- Parameter  $\sigma$  is a measure of the “width” of the pdf:  $\|\sigma\|^2 = \frac{1}{2}$
- for ‘large’ distances, i.e.  $\|x - \mu\|^2 \gg \frac{1}{2}$ , the pdf shall decay quickly.
- simplest approach:  $\tilde{p}(x) = e^{-\|x - \mu\|^2}$  ( $> 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , normalization?)
- Normalized for  $p(x) = \tilde{p}(x) / \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \tilde{p}(x)$ !

Formula collection delivers:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \tilde{p}(x) = \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma$

An admissible pdf with the required properties is obviously given by:

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



## Exercise 1.3

Show for the Gauß density  $p(x) = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu, \sigma)$ :

$$\boxed{\mathbb{E}[x] = \mu, \quad \mathbb{V}[x] = \sigma^2} \quad (\text{today!})$$

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

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Use substitution and partial integration!

$$\text{Use } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \, e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} = \sqrt{2\pi}!$$

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**Independence:** Statements about  $x$  not influenced by  $y \rightarrow p(x, y) = p(x) p(y)!$

$$P\{x \in X, y \in Y\} = \int_X dx \dots dx p(x) \int_Y dy \dots dy p(y)$$

Example:  $\mathbb{E}[\text{class}] = \sum_{\text{class}} \text{class} p(\text{class}) \underbrace{\int d\mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x})}_{=1 \text{ normalization!}}$

# Some properties of joint densities

Non-negative:  $p(x, y) \geq 0$

Normalized:  $\int dx dy p(x, y) = 1$

Relation between  $p(x)$ ,  $p(y)$  and  $p(x, y)$ :

$$p(x) = \int dy p(x, y)$$

$$p(y) = \int dx p(x, y)$$

$p(x)$  is also called a **marginal density** of the joint density w.r.t.  $x$ .

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$p(x|y) \geq 0$  is obviously interpretable as a useful pdf that quantitatively describes the notions of statistical “dependency” and “independency”.

**conditional probability density function:**  $p(x|y)$

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**multiple sensor measurement fusion:** Calculate  $p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{Z}_1^k, \dots, \mathcal{Z}_N^k)$ !

- communication lines
- common coordinate system: sensor registration

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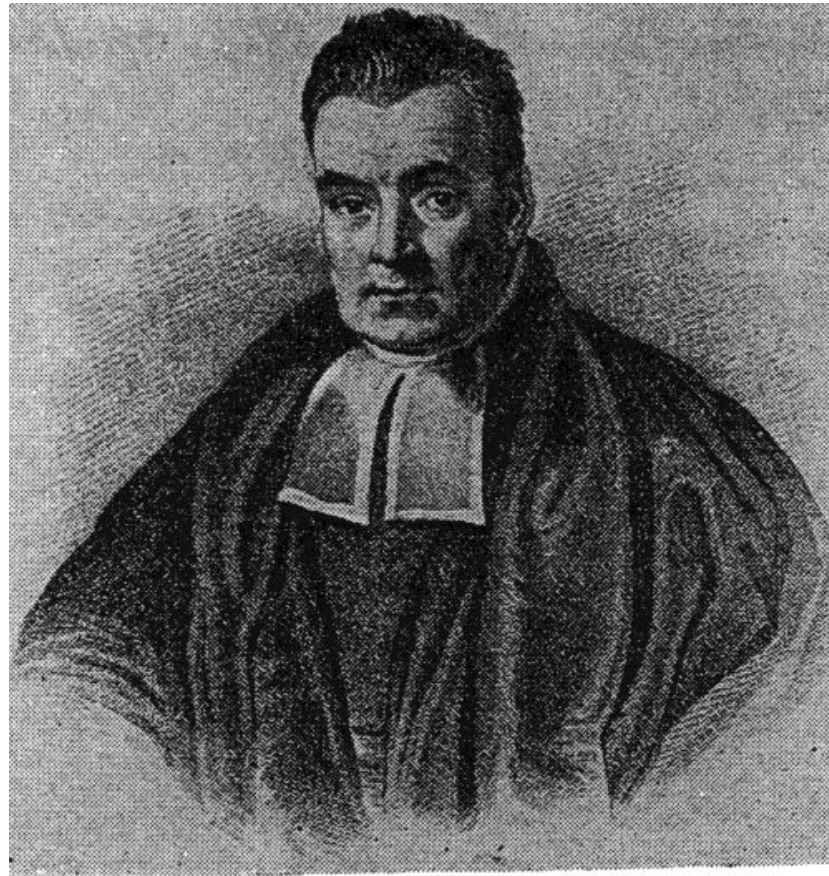
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- Large parts of statistics is just an application of Bayes' rule.  
(Rev. Thomas Bayes, 18th century, fully understood by Laplace)

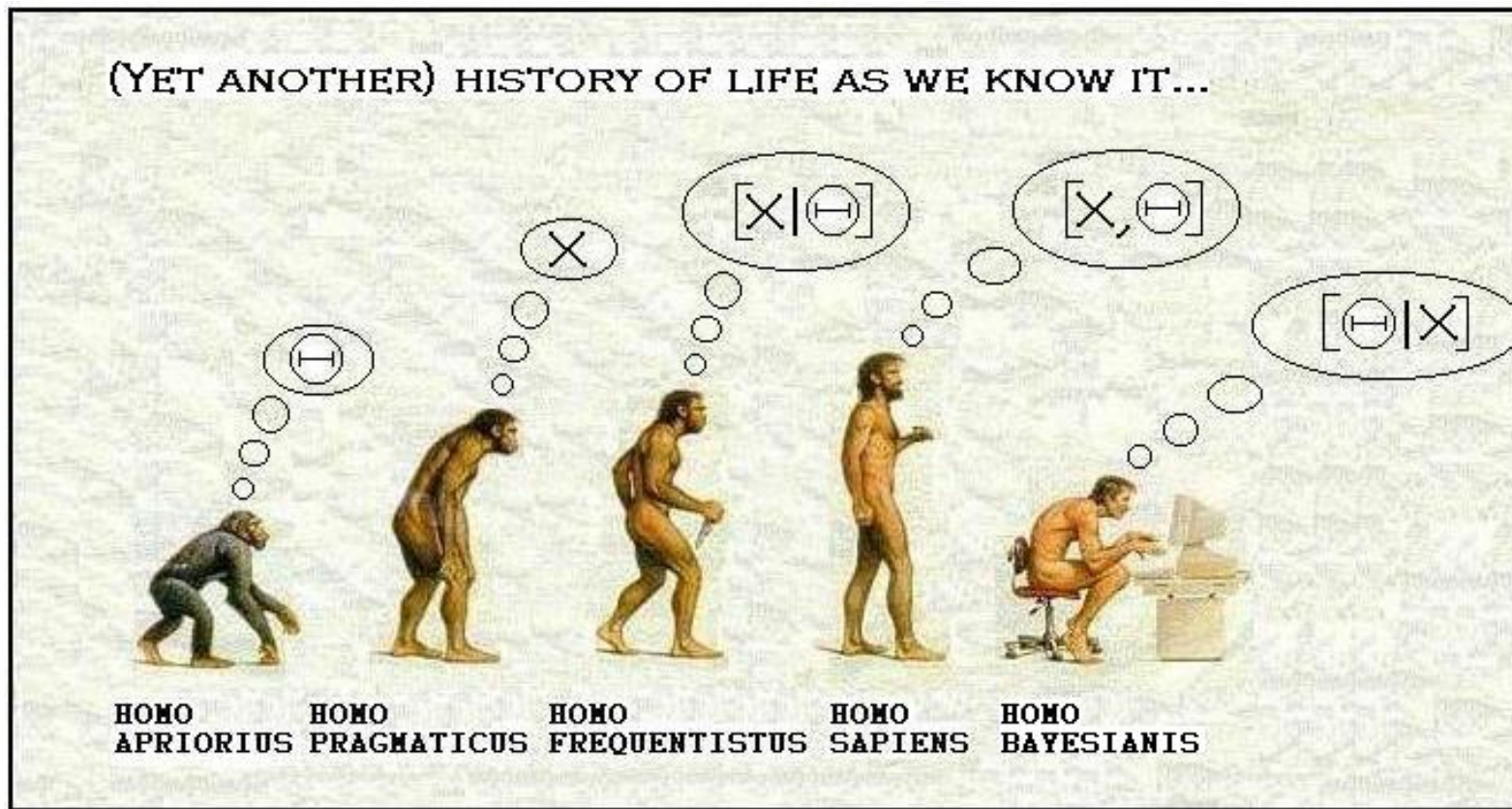




REV. T. BAYES

## Exercise 2.1 (voluntary)

Provide us a short overview of Rev. Thomas Bayes (1701–1761), perhaps starting with [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas\\_Bayes](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas_Bayes).



**Exercise 2.2a (voluntary)**      Present the “Monty Hall”-problem and solve it using Bayes’ rule (see e.g. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Monty\\_Hall\\_problem](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Monty_Hall_problem)).

**Exercise 2.2b (voluntary)**      Read and explain us the following “Spiegel”-article: <http://www.spiegel.de/wissenschaft/mensch/0,1518,708540,00.html>!

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## TITELTHEMA: QUANTEN-BAYESIANISMUS

### Eine neue Quantentheorie

Im Jahr 1926 führte Erwin Schrödinger die Wellenfunktion in die Quantentheorie ein. Wie sie zu verstehen ist, darüber zerbrechen sich die Physiker bis heute die Köpfe. Eine neue Deutung namens QBismus geht davon aus, dass die Wellenfunktion nur die subjektive Erwartungshaltung des quantenmechanischen Beobachters wiedergibt.

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Die Quantenmechanik erklärt das Verhalten der Materie präzise – von subatomaren bis zu astronomischen Größenordnungen. Sie ist die erfolgreichste physikalische Theorie und zugleich die seltsamste: In der Quantenwelt scheinen sich Teilchen an zwei Orten zugleich aufzuhalten; Information pflanzt sich vermeintlich mit Überlichtgeschwindigkeit fort, und Katzen können gleichzeitig tot und lebendig sein. Seit nunmehr 90 Jahren plagen sich Wissenschaftler ohne rechten Erfolg mit solchen Paradoxien herum. Während die Erkenntnisse der Evolutionstheorie und Kosmologie längst fest zu unserem Weltbild gehören, gilt die Quantentheorie sogar vielen Physikern als bizarre Abnormalität – eine zwar fast magisch wirksame, aber im Grund unerklärliche Gebrauchsanleitung zum Bau technischer Geräte wie Laser, Transistoren oder

#### AUF EINEN BLICK Rein subjektive Beschreibung?

1 Die Quantenmechanik steckt trotz all ihrer Erfolge voller Paradoxien. Ein neues Modell namens Quanten-Bayesianismus – kurz QBismus – kombiniert Quanten- und Wahrscheinlichkeitstheorie, um die Widersprüche zu entschärfen.

2 Der QBismus interpretiert die Quelle aller Quantenparadoxien – die Wellenfunktion – auf neue Weise. Physiker berechnen mit ihr die Wahrscheinlichkeit, dass ein Teilchen eine bestimmte



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**Exercise 2.3** Show:  $\int d\mathbf{x} e^{-q(\mathbf{x})} = \sqrt{|2\pi\mathbf{P}|}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] = \mathbf{x}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x})^\top] = \mathbf{P}$

Trick: Symmetric, positively definite matrices can be diagonalized by an orthogonal coordinate transform.

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– *GAUSSian Mixtures:*  $p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i p_i \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{P}_i)$  (weighted sums)

# A (very!) useful product formula for GAUSSIANS

**Exercise 2.4 (voluntary)** Show:

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}; \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{R}) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{P}) = \underbrace{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}; \mathbf{H}\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{S})}_{\text{independent of } \mathbf{x}} \times \begin{cases} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{W}\boldsymbol{\nu}, \mathbf{P} - \mathbf{W}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{W}^\top) \\ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{H}^\top\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{Q}) \end{cases}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\nu} = \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{y}, \quad \mathbf{S} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{H}^\top + \mathbf{R}, \quad \mathbf{W} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{H}^\top\mathbf{S}^{-1}, \quad \mathbf{Q}^{-1} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^\top\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{H}.$$

*Sketch of the proof:*

- Interpret  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}; \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{R}) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{P})$  as a joint pdf  $p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})p(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x})$ .
- Show that  $p(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x})$  is a GAUSSIAN:  $p(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{S} & \mathbf{H}\mathbf{P} \\ \mathbf{P}\mathbf{H}^\top & \mathbf{P} \end{pmatrix}\right)$ .
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with:  $\mathbf{x}_{k|k} = \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{x}_{k|k}(\mathbf{z}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1})$ ,  $\mathbf{W}_{k|k} = \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k^\top \mathbf{S}_{k|k}$  (KALMAN update)

$\mathbf{P}_{k|k} = \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} - \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{S}_{k|k} \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}_{k|k} = \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k + \mathbf{R}_k$ .



**a first remark on initiation:**  $p(\mathbf{x}_0|\mathcal{Z}^0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_0; \mathbf{x}_{0|0}, \mathbf{P}_{0|0})$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_{0|0}$  'large'

$$\mathbf{x}_{0|0} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{r}_{0|0} \\ \dot{\mathbf{r}}_{0|0} \\ \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_{0|0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_0 \\ \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_{0|0} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & (v_{max})^2 \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & (q_{max})^2 \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}$$

*position information:* first measurement  $\mathbf{z}_0$ , ignorance = measurement error  $\mathbf{R}$ !

*ignorance on velocity:* sphere with radius  $v_{max}$  around zero  
(= no information on direction, but on 'limits')

*ignorance on acceleration:* sphere with radius  $q_{max}$  around zero

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**filtering:**  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}) \xrightarrow[\text{sensor model: } \mathbf{H}_k, \mathbf{R}_k]{\text{current measurement } \mathbf{z}_k} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k})$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_{k|k} &= \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{k|k-1}, & \boldsymbol{\nu}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{z}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1} \\ \mathbf{P}_{k|k} &= \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} - \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1}^\top, & \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k^\top + \mathbf{R}_k \\ \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k^\top \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1}^{-1} & & \text{'KALMAN gain matrix'} \end{aligned}$$