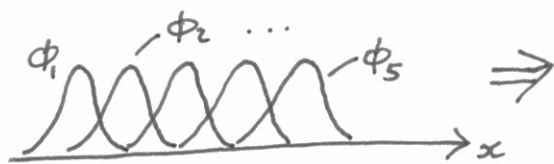
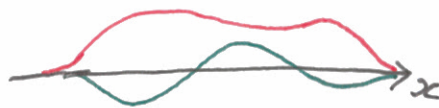


# Bayesian update: prior $\rightarrow$ posterior

Prior: model choices +  $p(\underline{w}) = N(\underline{w}; \underline{w}_0, V_0)$

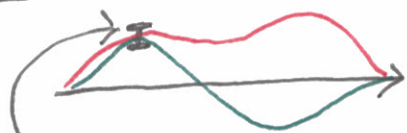


Samples from prior:



Posterior

Observe data



Samples from posterior  $p(\underline{w} | D)$

Likelihood:

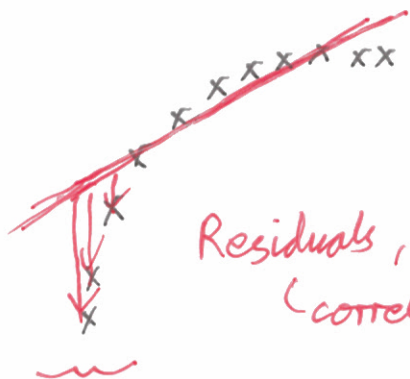
$$p(y | x, \underline{w}) = N(y; \Phi \underline{w}, \sigma_y^2)$$

$$p(\underline{w} | D) = N(\underline{w}; \underline{w}_N, V_N)$$

$$V_N = \sigma_y^2 (\sigma_y^2 V_0^{-1} + \Phi^T \Phi)^{-1}$$

$$\underline{w}_N = V_N V_0^{-1} \underline{w}_0 + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} V_N \Phi^T y$$

## "Underfitting"



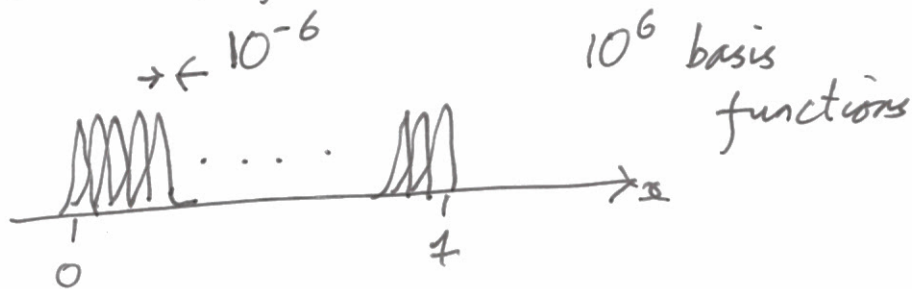
Residuals, model checking  
(correlated)

No basis  $f_n$ 's  
Simple model  
 $\Rightarrow$  over-confident

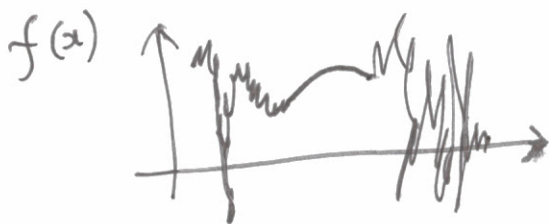
## Overfitting

Bayesians don't fit.  
Can't overfit.

# Extremely flexible model:



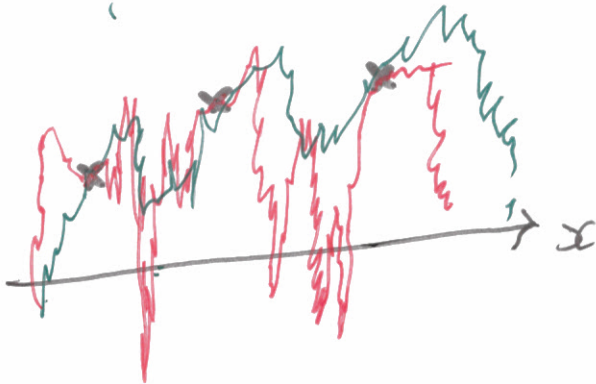
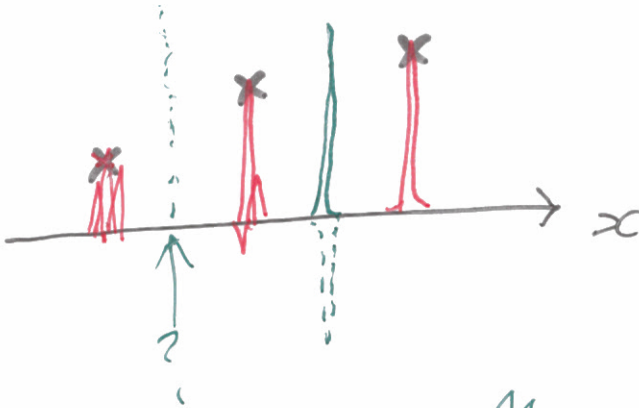
Can model



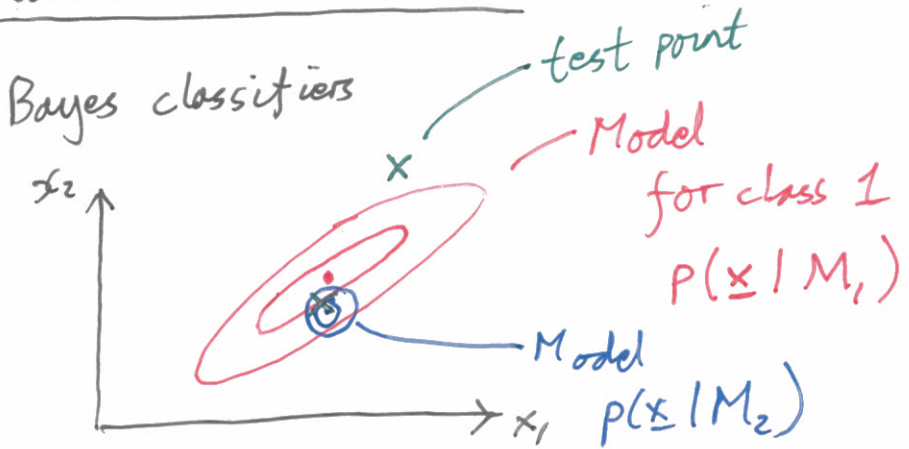
Prior?  $p(w_k) = \mathcal{N}(w_k; 0, \sigma_w^2)$

$$p(\underline{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\underline{w}; \underline{0}, \sigma_w^2 \underline{I})$$

What's the posterior?



# Probabilistic model choice



# Model choice regression

$P(y | X, M)$

↑ train inputs  
↑ all training labels

model choices

$\sigma_y^2, V_0 = \sigma_w^2 \mathbb{I}, \underline{\phi}, \dots$

(Marginal)

Likelihood model

- ① Bayes rule  $P(M | y, X)$
- ② Maximize likelihood.

$$p(y|x, M) = \int p(y, \underline{w} | x, M) d\underline{w}$$

(sum rule)

↑  
Params  
of model

$$= \int \underbrace{p(y | x, \underline{w}, M)}_{\text{Likelihood}} \underbrace{p(\underline{w} | x, M)}_{\text{Prior}} d\underline{w}$$

(product rule)

Posterior weights

$$p(\underline{w} | y, x, M) = \frac{p(y | \underline{w}, x, M) p(\underline{w} | x, M)}{p(y | x, M)}$$

↑  
Gaussian we know.

⇒ Rearrange and evaluate

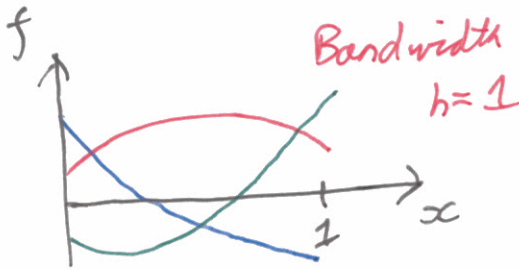
$$p(y | x, M) = \frac{p(y | \underline{w}, x, M) p(\underline{w} | M)}{p(\underline{w} | y, x, M)}$$

True For all  $\underline{w}$  → so pick any setting you like. eg  $\underline{w} = 0$

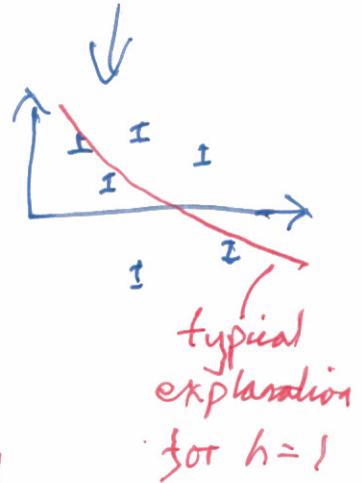
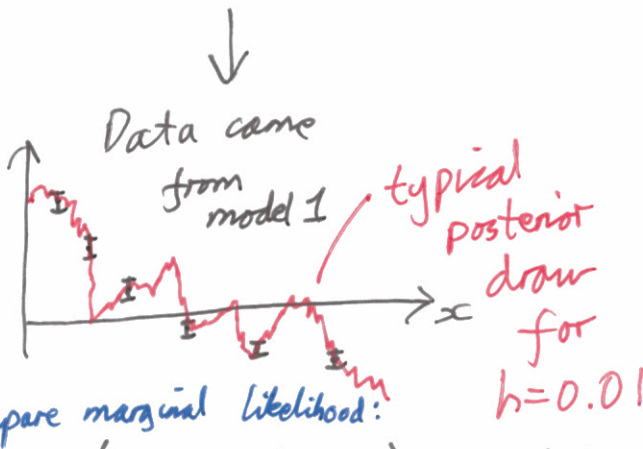
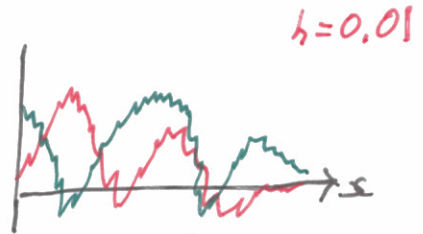
# Example model choice,

100 RBFs

Spaced between 0 and 1



Model 1



Compare marginal likelihood:

$$p(y|X, h=1) \gg p(y|X, h=0.01)$$

Earlier in the course we compared likelihood:

$p(y|X, h=0.01, \hat{w})$  big, can't use for model comparison