Bayesian Machine Learning for Scientific Research

Maximizing information from data

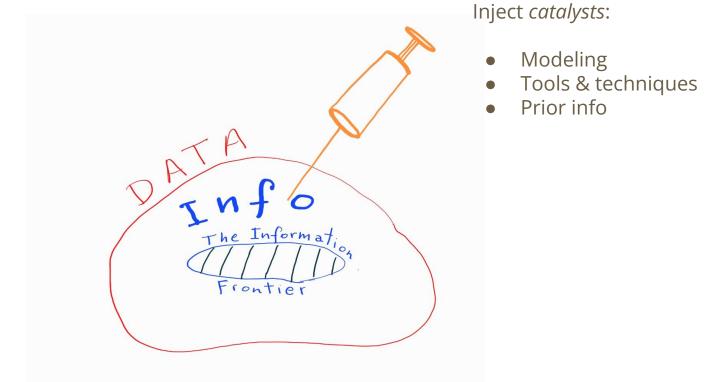
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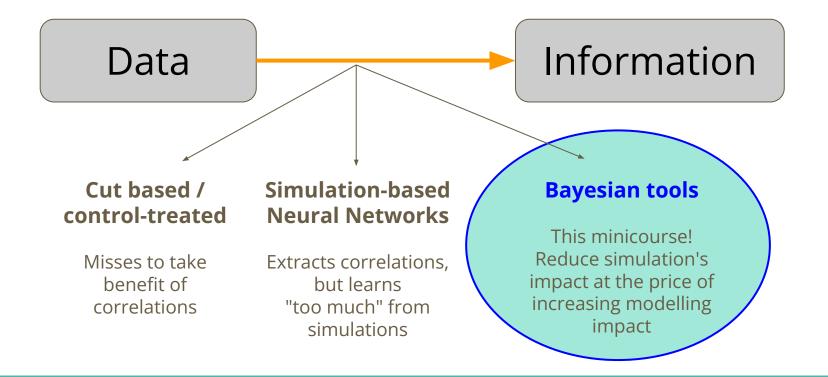


Bayesian: assume data being sampled from a PDF, infer its parameters and learn the internal structure of the data

> To learn the PDF of the data and then being able to assess, predict , generate, etc.

> > More scientific





Bayes Theorem:

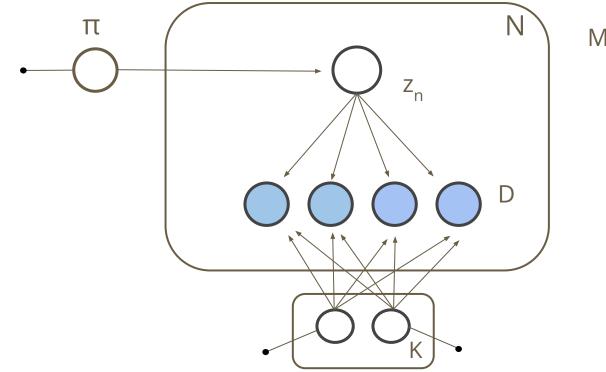
 $p(\theta \mid X) = \underline{p(X \mid \theta) * p(\theta)}$ p(x)

Our utility: X = data, θ=parameters

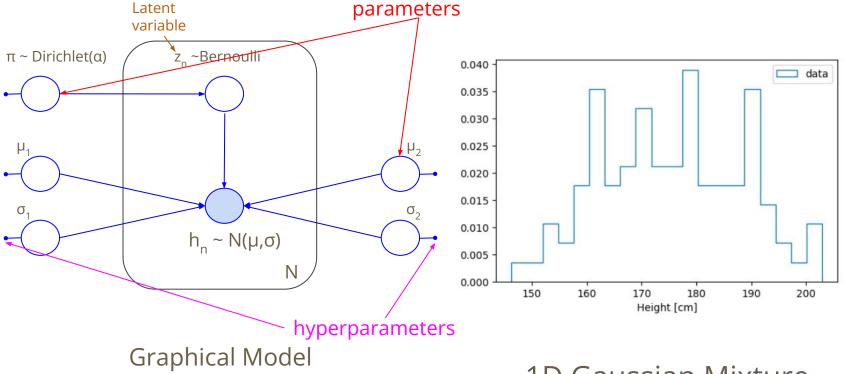
Model data as being sampled from a clever PDF with parameters θ

Infer θ once you see the data X

Connect θ to physical parameters of interest

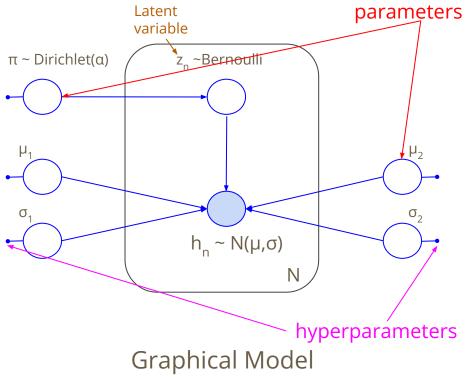


Mixture Model



1D Gaussian Mixture





X: { h_n }
$$\theta: \mu_{1,2}, \sigma_{1,2}, \pi, \{z_n\}$$

$$P(x_{n} | \theta) = \pi N(h_{n}; \mu_{1}, \sigma_{1}) + (1-\pi) N(h_{n}; \mu_{2}, \sigma_{2})$$

Bayesian Machine Learning: *The Tool* Lecture 2



Art et métiers in proposing models

- Analytic Bayesian Inference: The box factory
- Linear Regression: River contamination
- Anomalies in collective motion: Clinical practices
- Mixture of Bernoulli: Unsupervised Learning handwritten

Connection to scientific research

Simple explicit Bayesian problem

The Box Factory

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Experiment: k boxes ok out of n

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(new factory!)

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This only occurs in very few cases known as Conjugate Posterior

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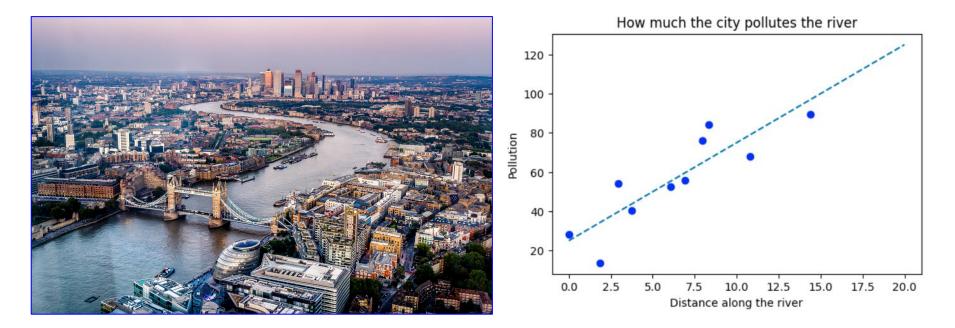
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From now on and most of the times the update will be numerical (Stan, PYMC, etc)

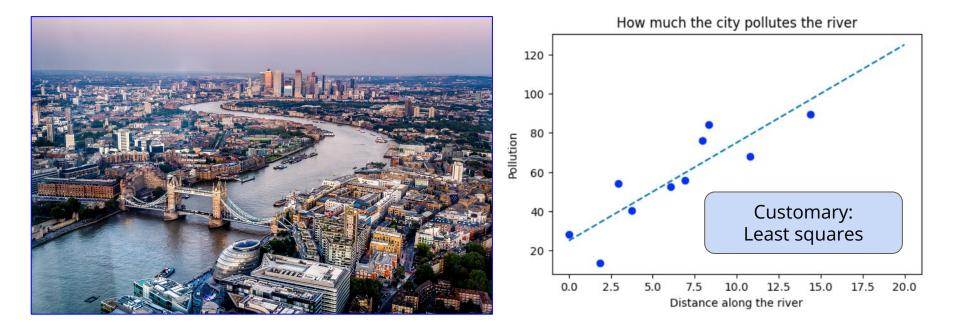
A Hello World example!



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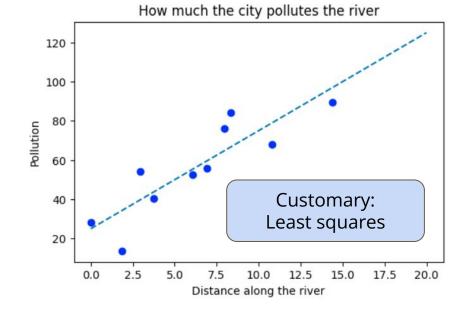


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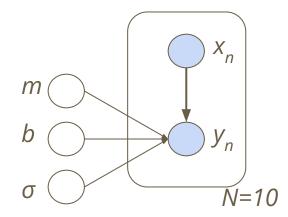
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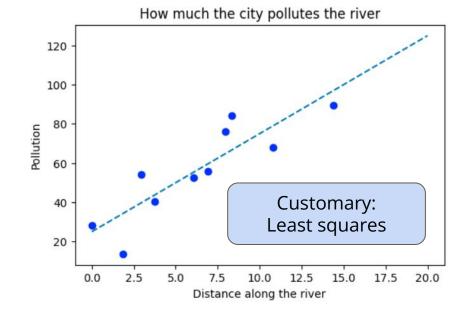


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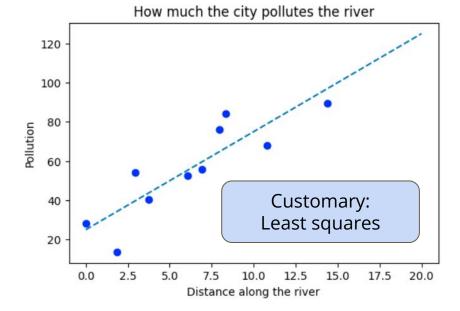
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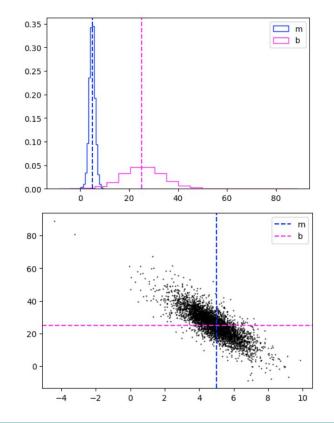
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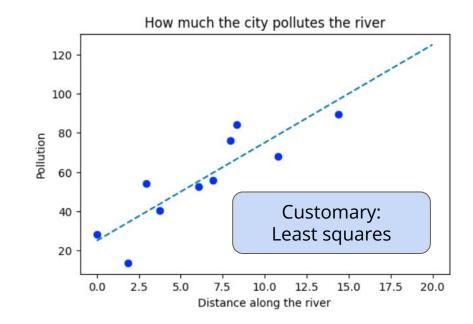




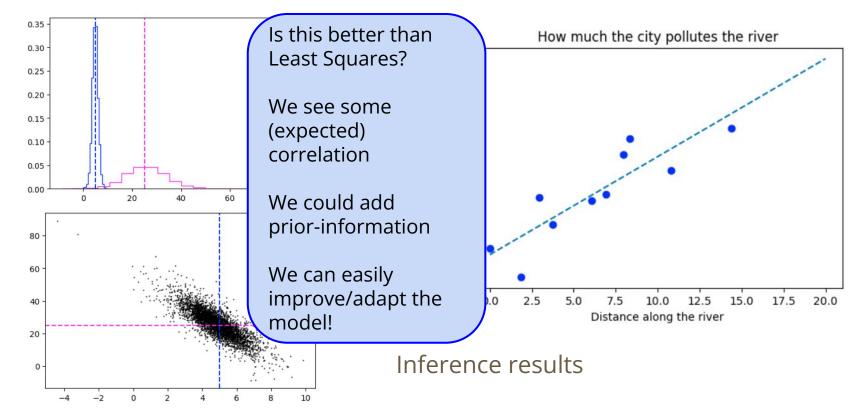
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contamination model="""
data {
int <lower=0> N;
 vector[N] x;
 vector[N] y;
parameters {
  real m;
  real b;
  real<lower=0> sigma;
model {
 //b ~ normal(10,10);
  y ~ normal(m * x + b, sigma);
.....
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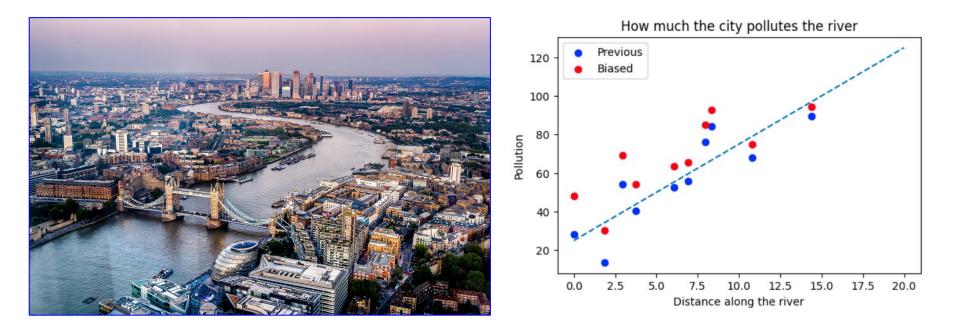






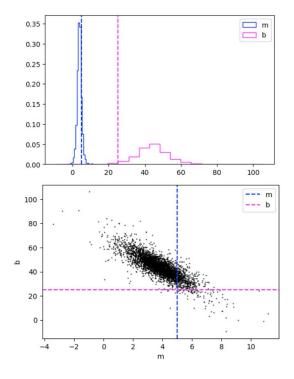
Inference results

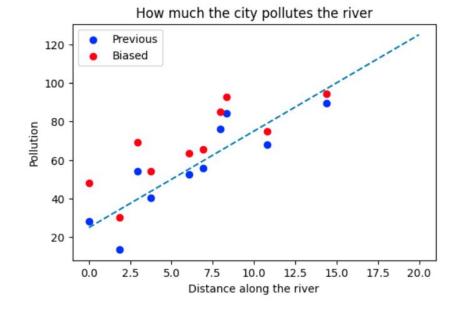




Expect more pollution from downtown

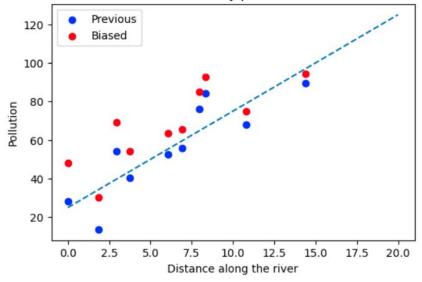
Wrong: Biased data with unbiased model

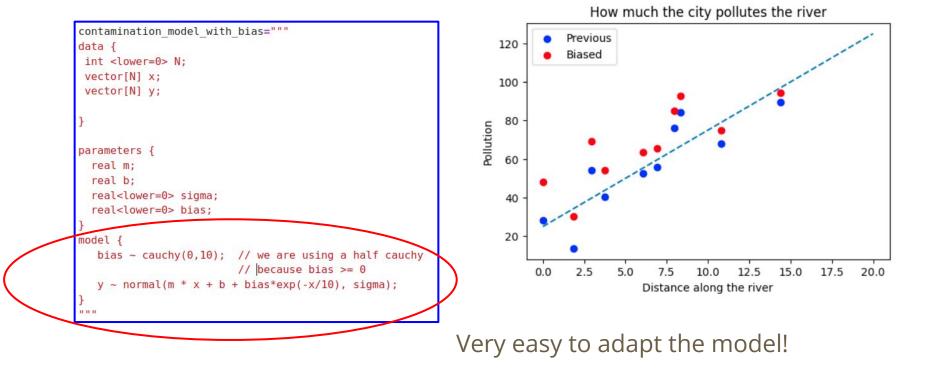




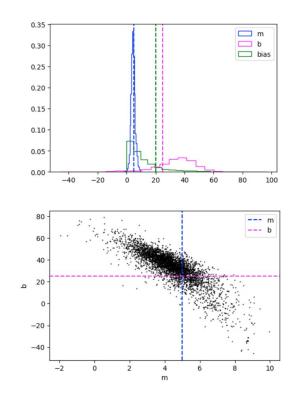
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contamination model with bias="""
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int <lower=0> N;
vector[N] x;
vector[N] y;
parameters {
  real m:
  real b:
  real<lower=0> sigma;
  real<lower=0> bias;
model {
   bias ~ cauchy(0,10); // we are using a half cauchy
                         // because bias >= 0
   y \sim normal(m * x + b + bias*exp(-x/10), sigma);
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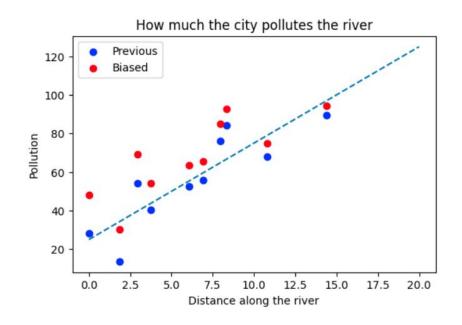
How much the city pollutes the river



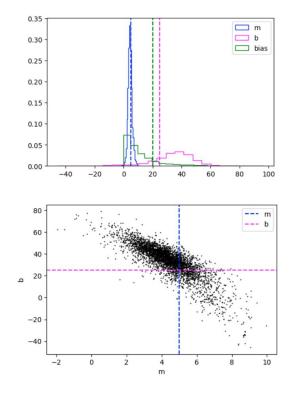


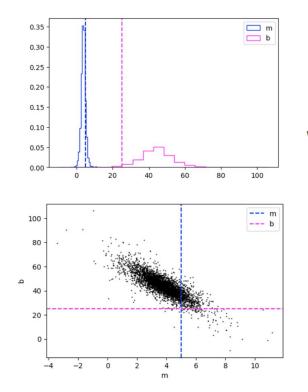












Wrong model!

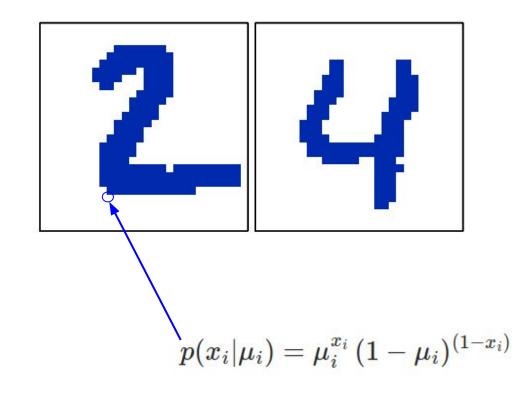
Finding anomalies in *collective motion*

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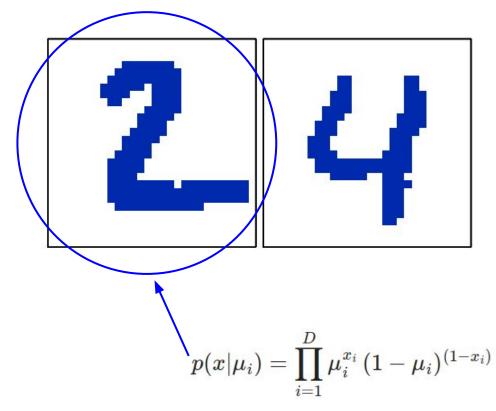
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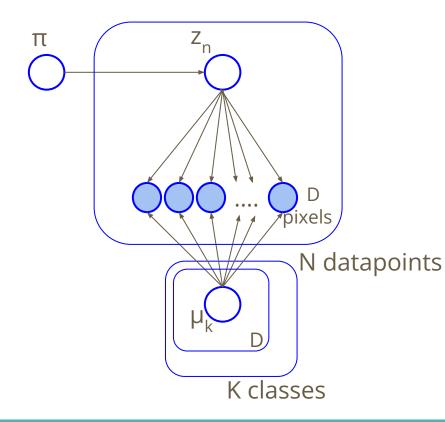


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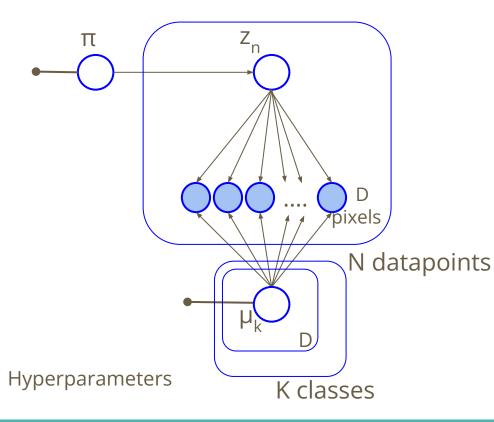
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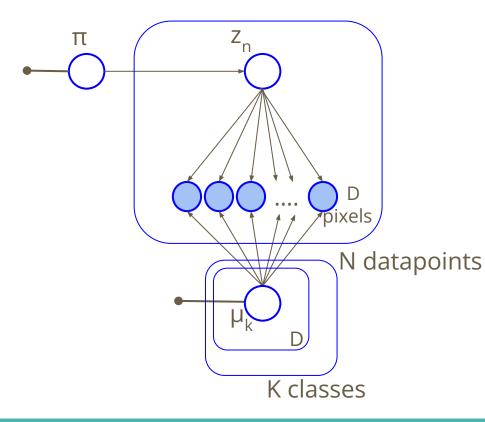
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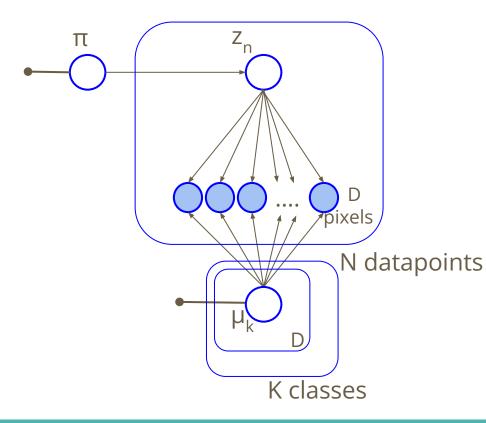
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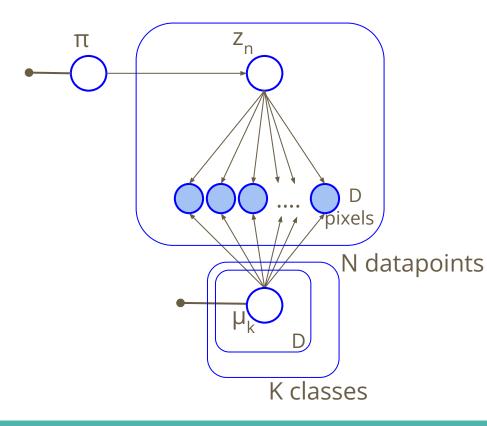
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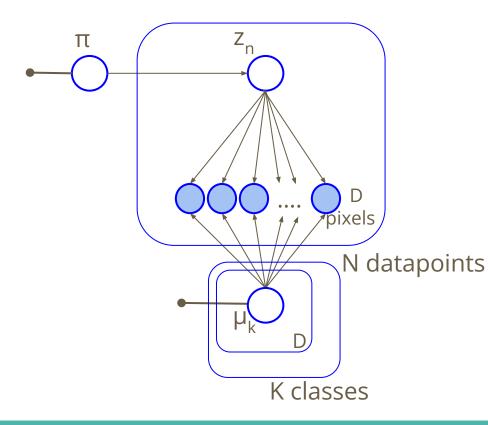
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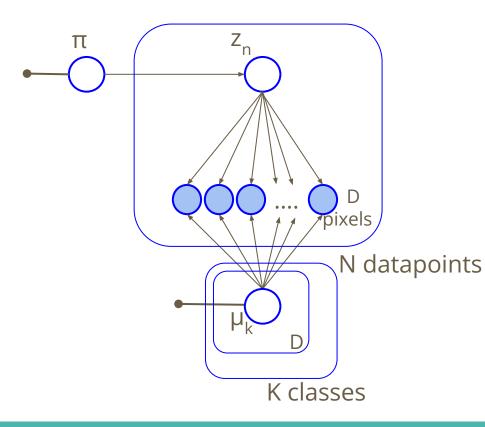
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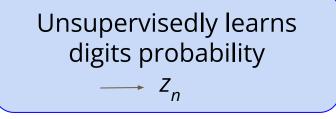
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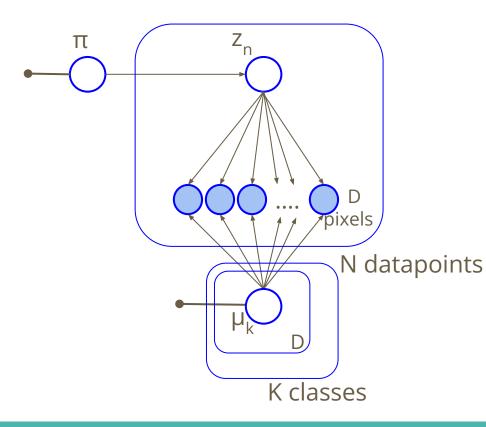


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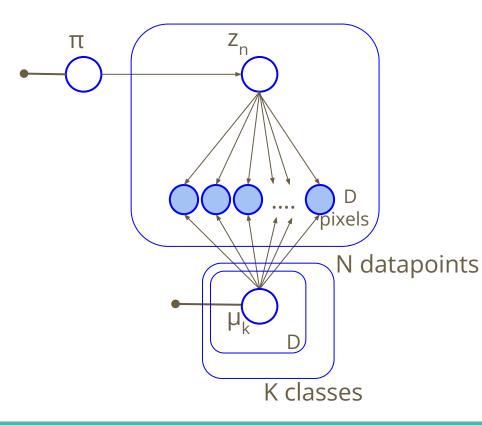
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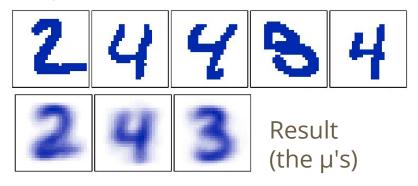


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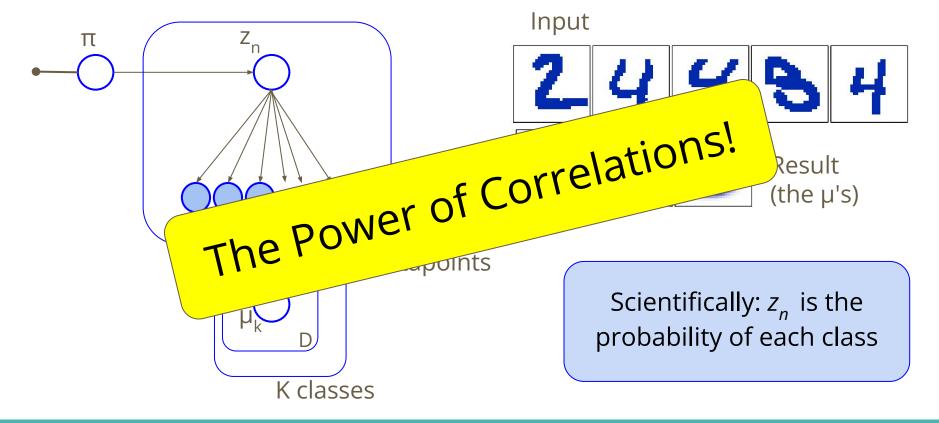
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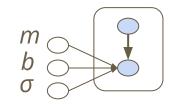


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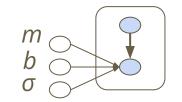




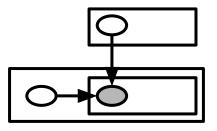


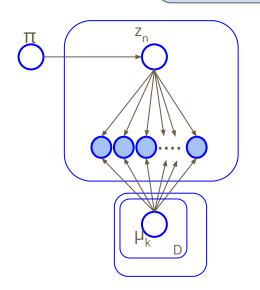
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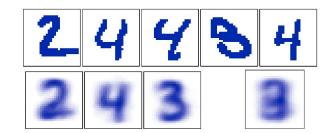




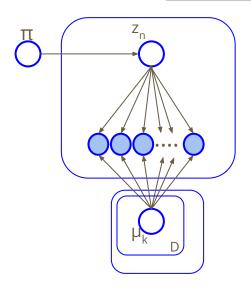




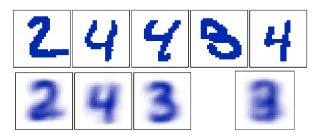




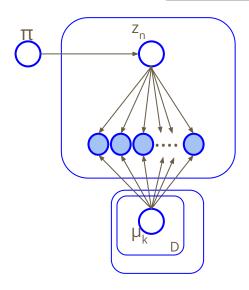
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