# Introduction to Machine Learning

Regularization

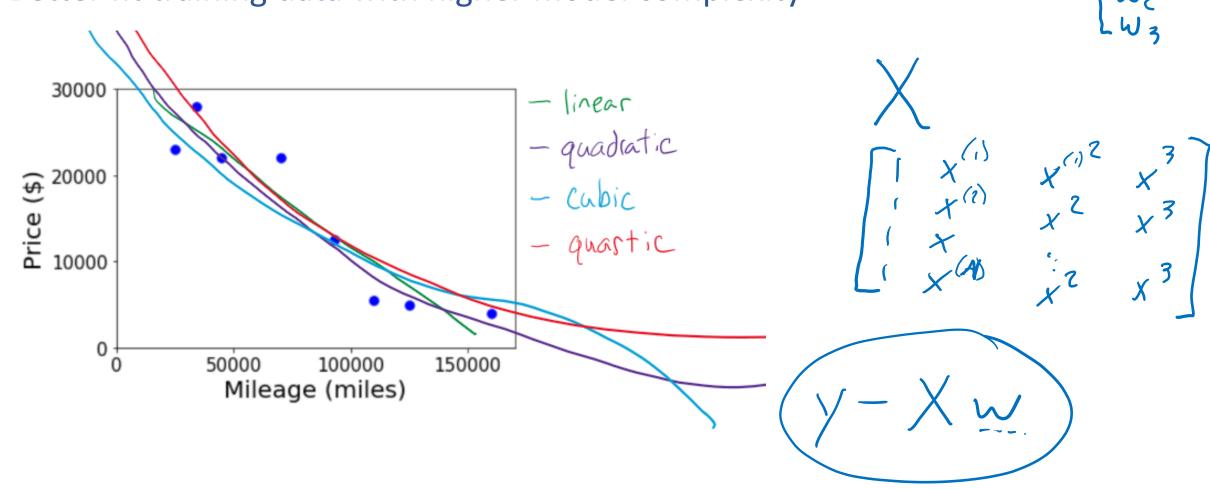
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#### Announcements

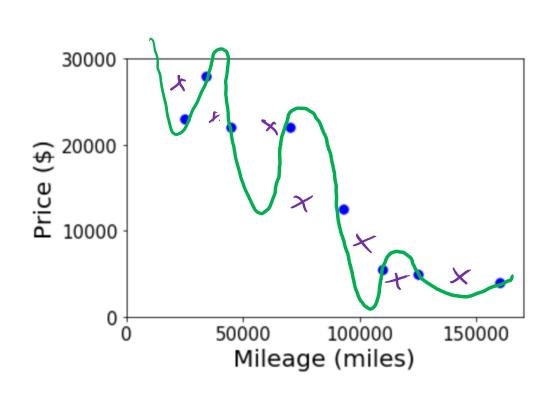
#### Assignments:

- HW3
  - Planned for release tonight
  - Due Tue, 2/11, 11:59 pm

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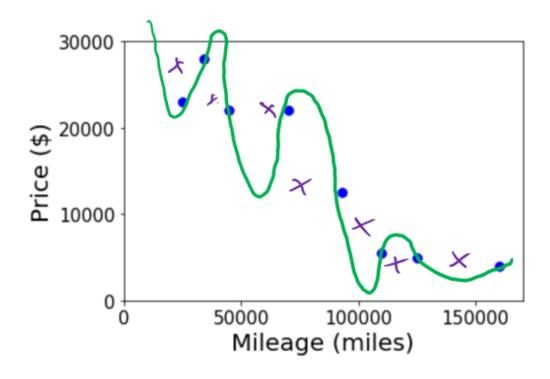


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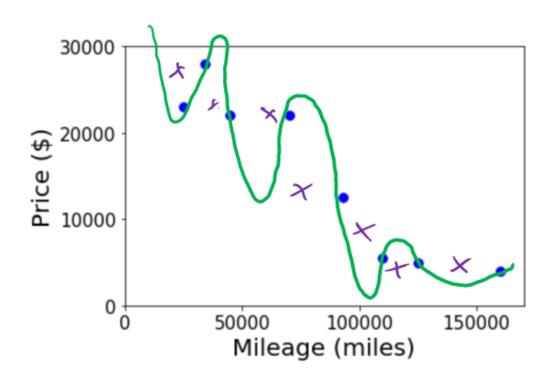
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#### How can we deal with overfitting?



- Use validation set to detect overfitting
- Collect more training data
- Reduce model complexity
  - Lower degree polynomial
  - But then we might underfit ⊗
- Try fitting to many different degrees
  - Use validation data to decide which level of model complexity to use
- Penalize the weights

#### What are symptoms of overfitting?



- Poor validation score
- HUGE weights!

Combine original objective with penalty on parameters

#### Piazza Poll 1:

Given the optimization of our new objective:

$$\widehat{w} = \min_{w} \|y - Xw\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \|w\|_{2}^{2}$$

#### Select ALL that are true:

- I. As  $\lambda \to 0$ ,  $\widehat{\boldsymbol{w}} \to \text{point } A$
- II. As  $\lambda \to 0$ ,  $\widehat{\boldsymbol{w}} \to \text{point } B$
- III. As  $\lambda \to \infty$ ,  $\widehat{\boldsymbol{w}} \to \text{point } A$
- IV. As  $\lambda \to \infty$ ,  $\widehat{\boldsymbol{w}} \to \text{point } B$
- V. None of the above
- VI. I have no clue

Ridge Regression: Linear regression with  $\ell_2$  penalty on weights

## Ridge Regression

#### Linear regression with $\ell_2$ penalty on weights

$$J(w) = \frac{1}{2} ||y - Xw||_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda ||w||_2^2$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2} [y^T y - 2w^T X^T y + w^T X^T X w + \lambda w^T w]$ 

#### Compute gradient

$$\nabla J(w) = -X^T y + X^T X w + \lambda w$$

#### Closed form solution:

$$-X^{T}y + X^{T}Xw + \lambda w = 0$$

$$X^{T}Xw + \lambda w = X^{T}y$$

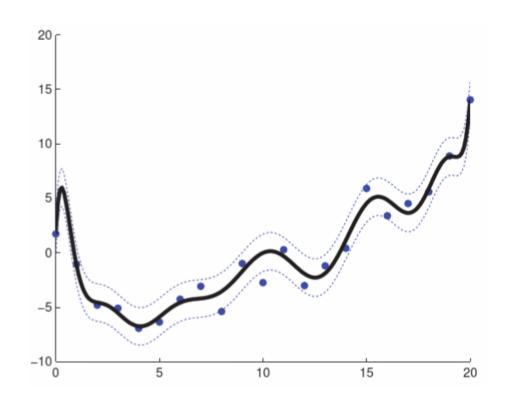
$$(X^{T}X + \lambda)w = X^{T}y \text{ Not quite } (A + 7)z \neq Az + 7z$$

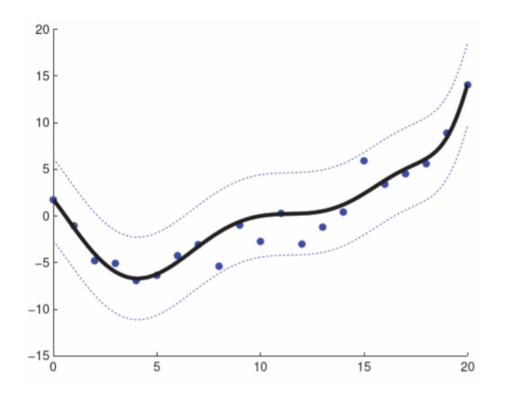
$$(X^{T}X + \lambda I)w = X^{T}y$$

$$w = (X^{T}X + \lambda I)^{-1}X^{T}y$$

A robust solution to make  $X^TX$  invertible

#### But how do we choose $\lambda$ ?





Figures: Murphy, Ch 7.5

## Probabilistic Interpretation

What assumptions are we making about our parameters?

# MLE and MAP

# Coin Flipping Example

#### Piazza Poll 2:

$$p(\theta \mid \mathcal{D}) \propto p(\mathcal{D} \mid \theta) p(\theta)$$

$$p(\theta \mid \mathcal{D}) \propto \prod p(\mathcal{D}^{(n)} \mid \theta) p(\theta)$$

As the number of data points increases, which of the following are true? Select ALL that apply

- A. The MAP estimate approaches the MLE estimate
- B. The posterior distribution approaches the prior distribution
- C. The likelihood distribution approaches the prior distribution
- D. The posterior distribution approaches the likelihood distribution
- E. The likelihood has a lower impact on the posterior
- F. The prior has a lower impact on the posterior

# Coin Flipping Example

## Housing Price Example

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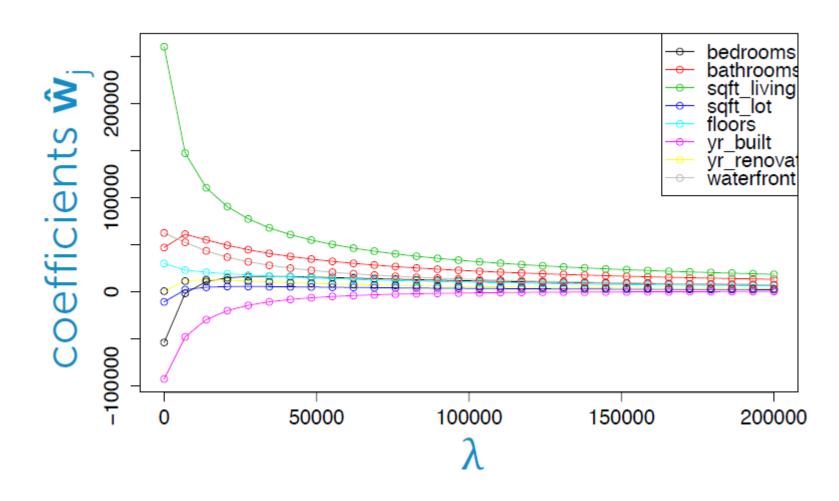


Figure: Emily Fox, University of Washington

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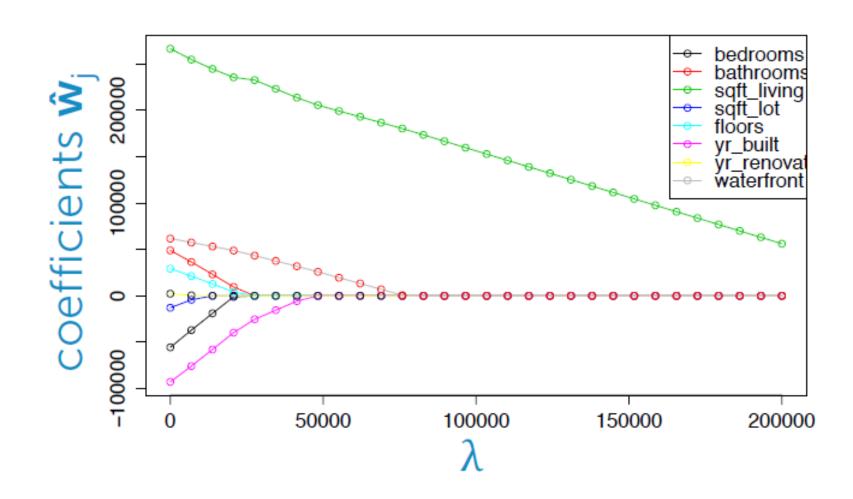
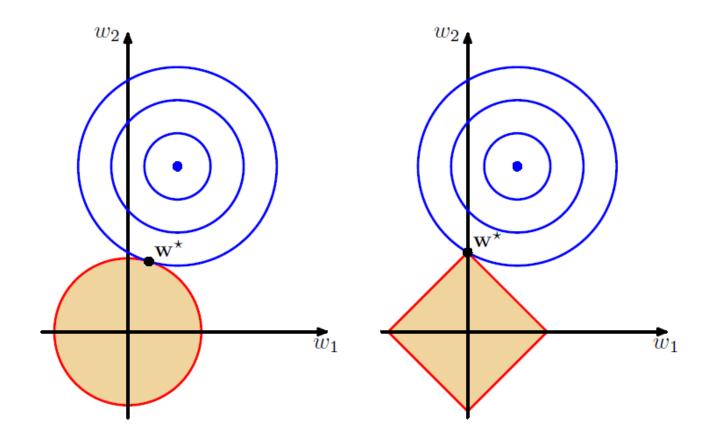


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Figures: Bishop, Ch 3.1.4

### LASSO

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#### **LASSO**

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$$= \frac{1}{2} [y^{T} y - 2w^{T} X^{T} y + w^{T} X^{T} X w + \sum_{m} |w_{m}|]$$

#### Probabilistic interpretation

Laplace prior on weights

$$w \sim Laplace(\mu = 0, b)$$

$$f(w \mid b) = \frac{1}{2b} e^{\left(-\frac{|x|}{b}\right)}$$