

# Introduction to Machine Learning

## Regularization

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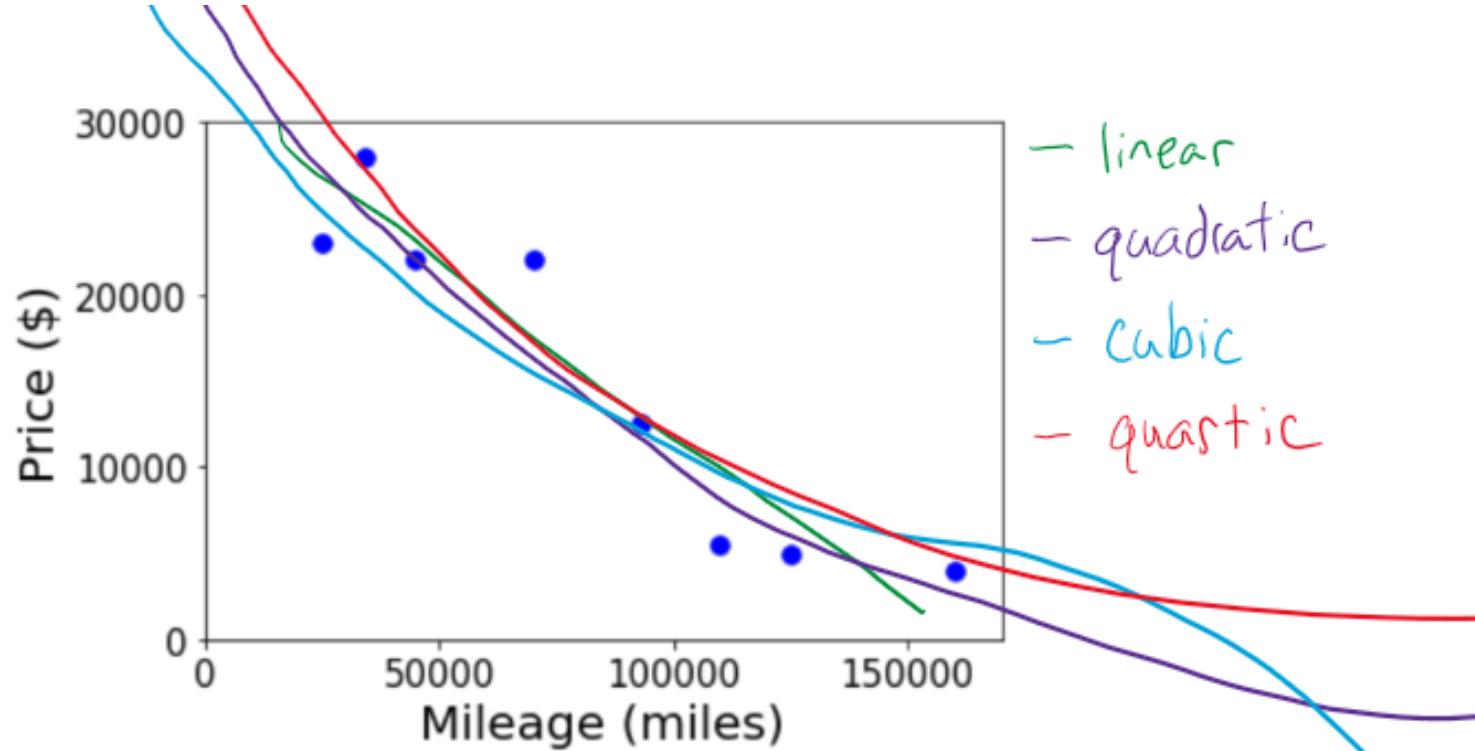
# Announcements

## Assignments:

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

# Overfitting with Polynomial Linear Regression

Better fit training data with higher model complexity



$$y = X w$$

Diagram illustrating the matrix equation for polynomial regression:

$$y = X w$$

where

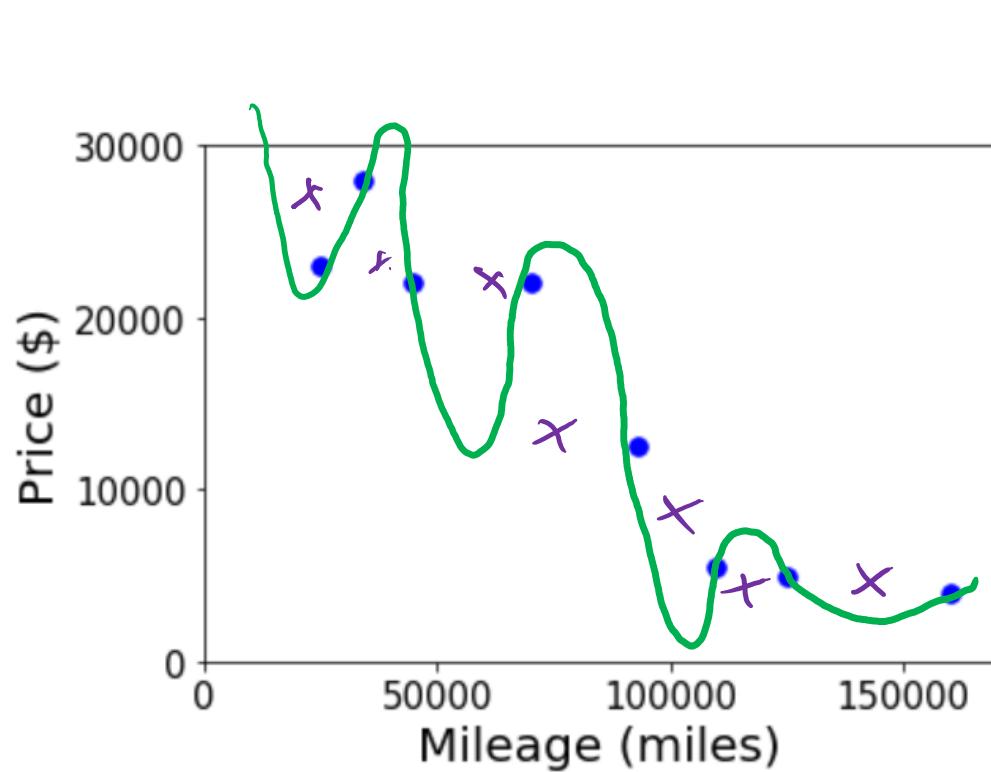
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x^{(1)} & x^{(1)2} & x^{(1)3} \\ 1 & x^{(2)} & x^{(2)2} & x^{(2)3} \\ 1 & x^{(3)} & x^{(3)2} & x^{(3)3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x^{(n)} & x^{(n)2} & x^{(n)3} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Overfitting with Polynomial Linear Regression

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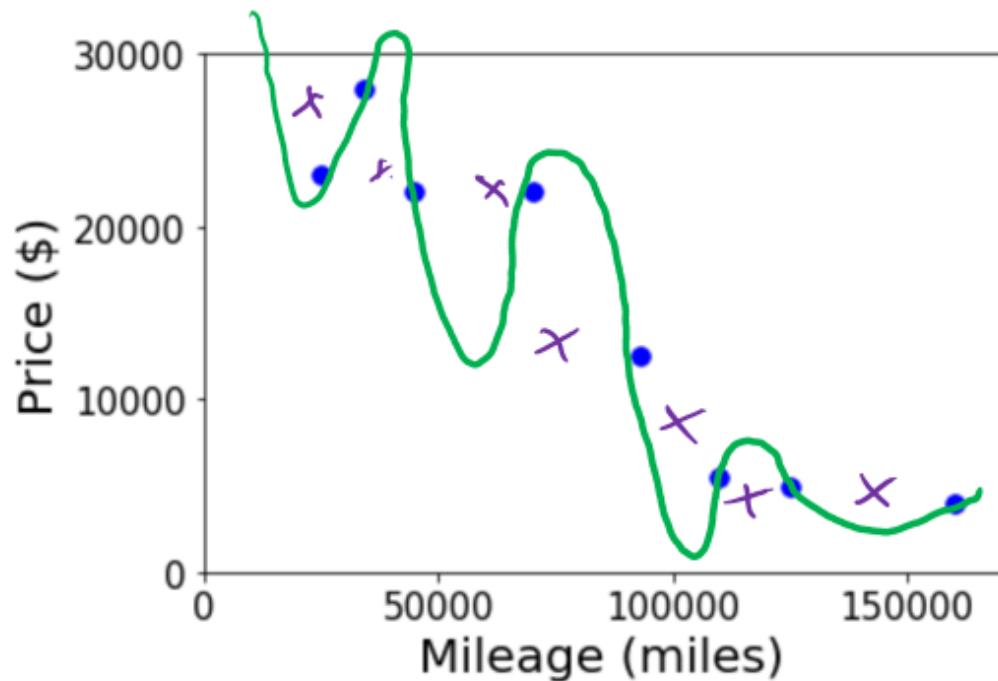


$$y = w_0 + w_1 x + w_2 x^2 + w_3 x^3 + \dots + w_{20} x^{20}$$

How can we deal with overfitting? Use validation. More training data  
What are some symptoms of overfitting? Huge weights!

# Overfitting with Polynomial Linear Regression

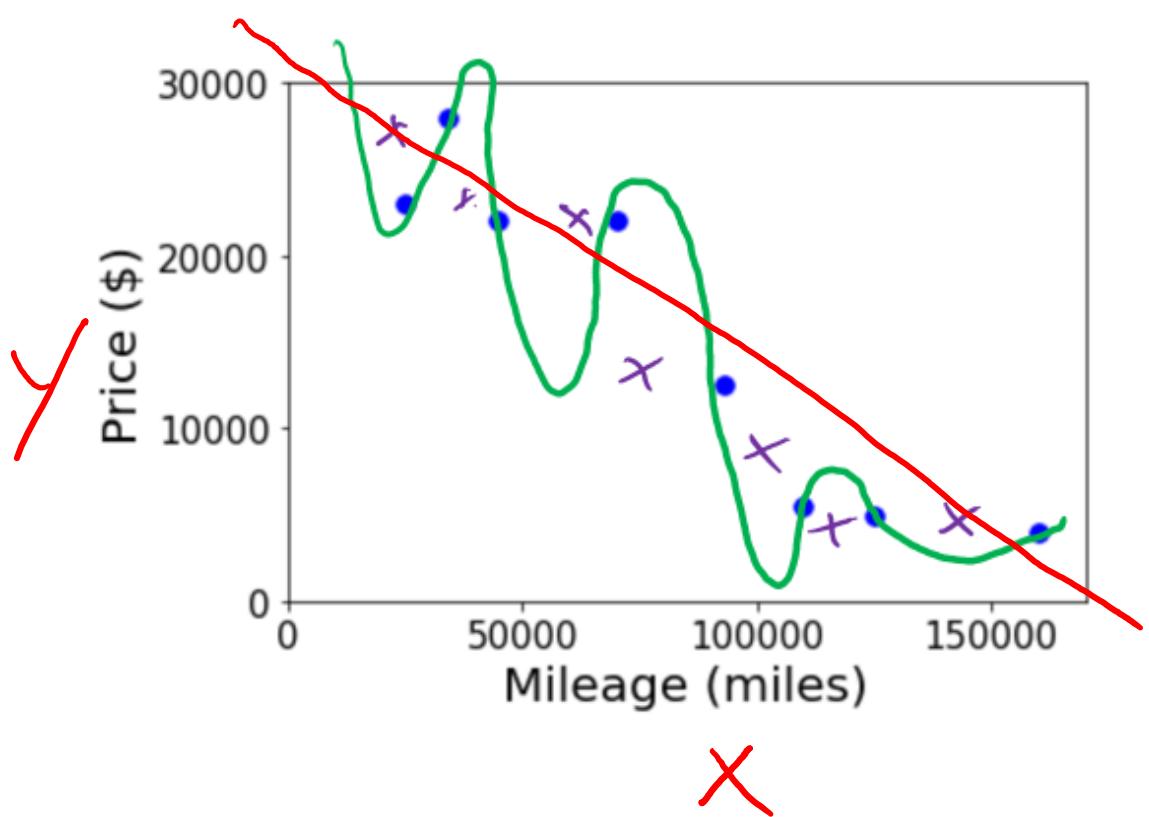
How can we deal with overfitting?



- 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

# Overfitting with Polynomial Linear Regression

What are symptoms of overfitting?



- Poor validation score
- HUGE weights!

$$y = mx + b \quad \text{hypo}$$

$$J(m, b) = \left\| y - (mx + b) \right\|_2^2$$

# Regularization

Combine original objective with penalty on parameters

$$\min_w J(w) + \min_w \text{weight}$$

$$\min_w J(w) + f(w)$$

$$f_1(w) = \sum_m w_m \quad -9000 + 8900$$

$$f_2(w) = \sum_m |w_m|$$

$$f_3(w) = \sum_m w_m^2$$

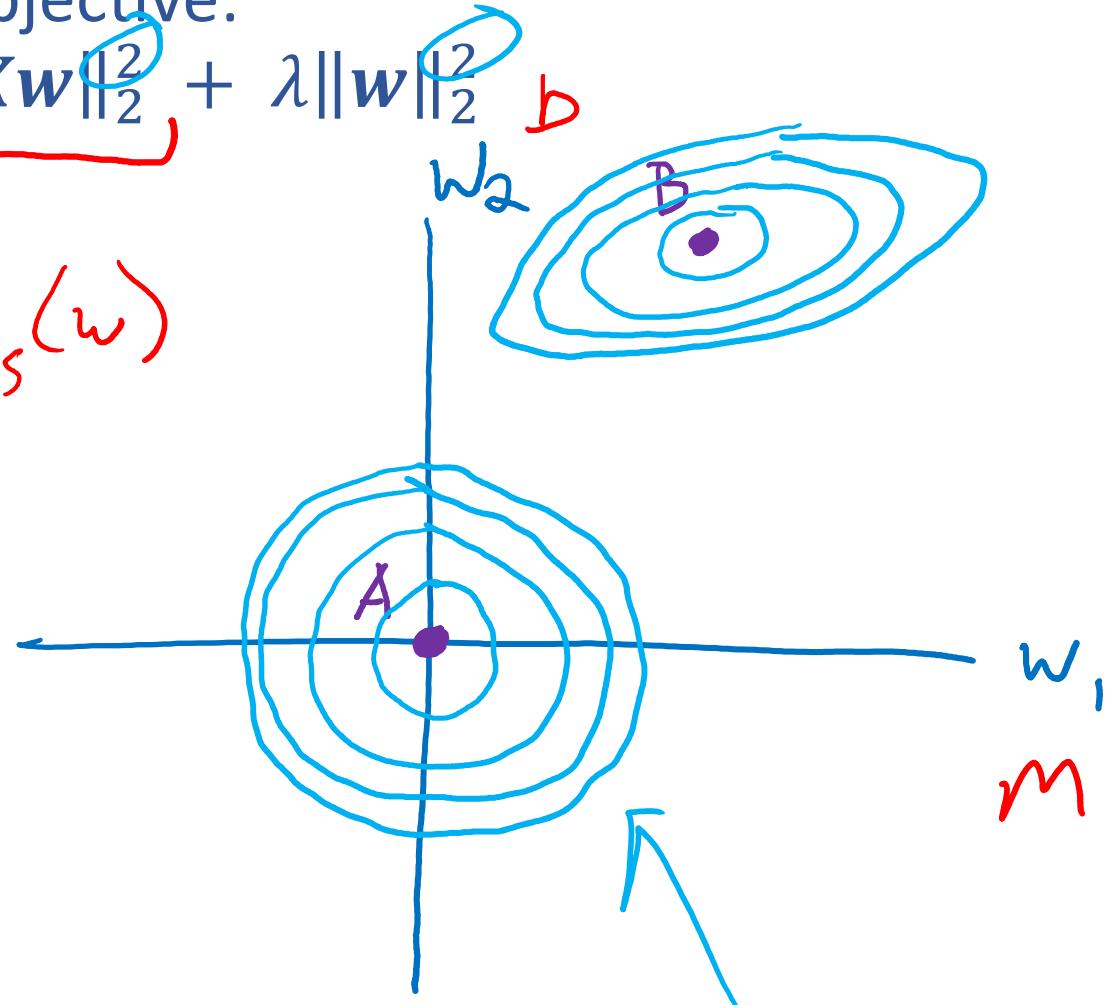
# Piazza Poll 1:

Given the optimization of our new objective:

$$\hat{w} = \min_w \underbrace{\|y - Xw\|_2^2}_{J_{LS}(w)} + \lambda \|w\|_2^2$$

Select ALL that are true:

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



$$Az + 3z \neq (A+3)z$$

Regularization

$$\|z\|_2^2 = z^T z$$

$$f(z) = z^T A z$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla f(z) &= 2A z \\ &= 2z^T A\end{aligned}$$

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

$$J(\vec{w}) = \left( \|\vec{y} - X\vec{w}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\vec{w}\|_2^2 \right) \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \left( \vec{y}^T \vec{y} - 2\vec{w}^T X^T \vec{y} + \vec{w}^T X^T X \vec{w} + \lambda \vec{w}^T \vec{w} \right) \frac{1}{2}$$

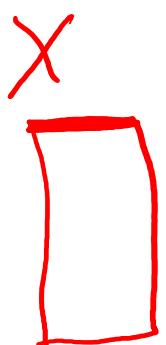
$$\nabla J(w) = -X^T \vec{y} + X^T X \vec{w} + \lambda \vec{w} = 0$$

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

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

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



# Ridge Regression

Linear regression with  $\ell_2$  penalty on weights

$$\begin{aligned} J(\mathbf{w}) &= \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} + \lambda \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}] \end{aligned}$$

Compute gradient

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

Closed form solution:

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

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

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

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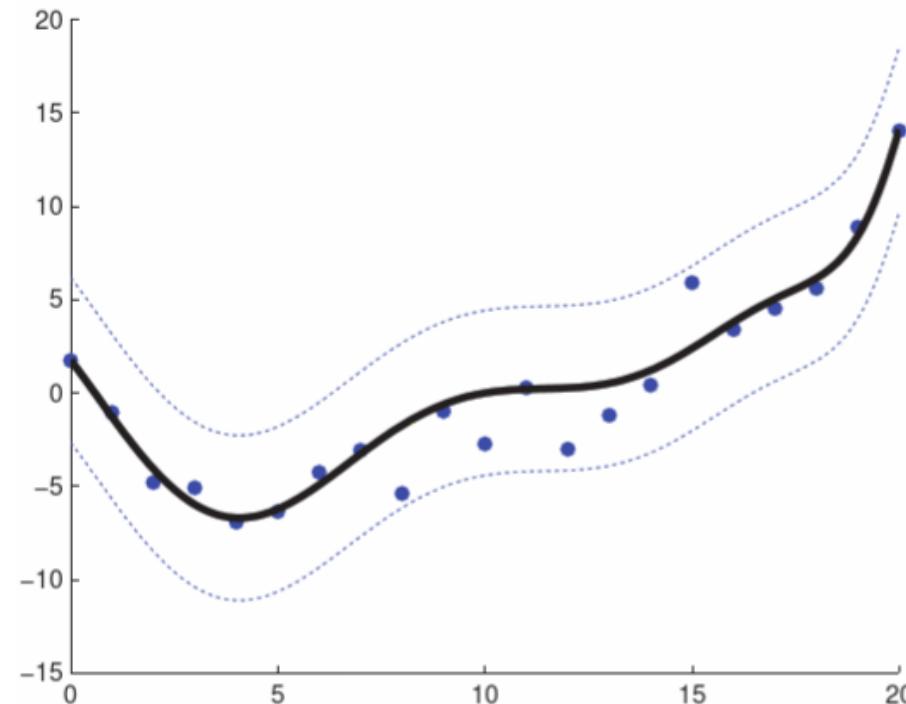
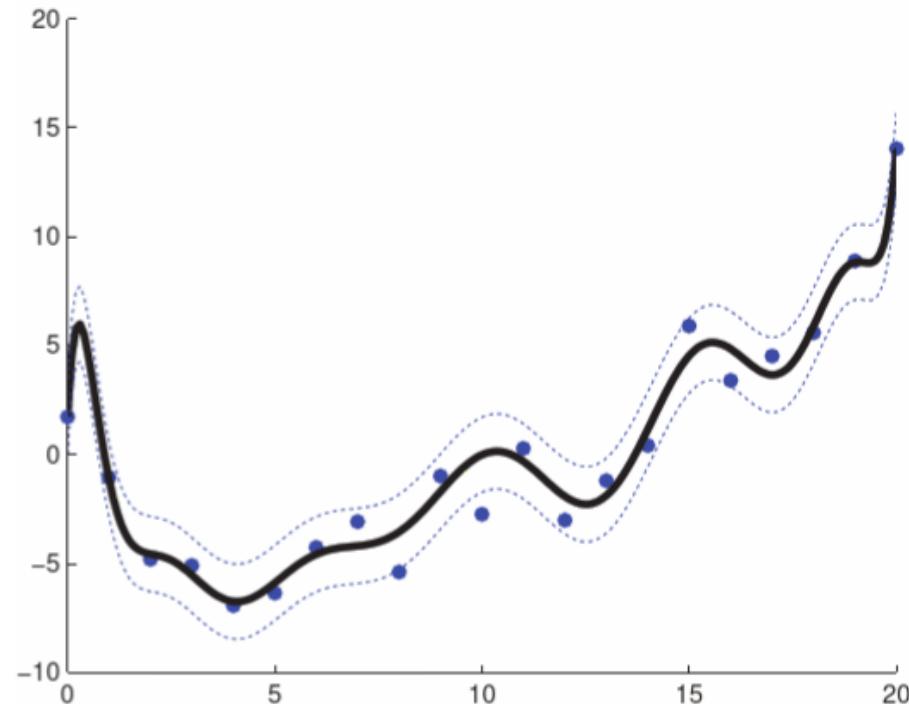
$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

A robust solution to make  $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$  invertible

# Regularization

$$\|y - Xw\|_2^2 + \lambda \|w\|_2^2$$

But how do we choose  $\lambda$ ?



# Probabilistic Interpretation

What assumptions are we making about our parameters?

*likelihood*

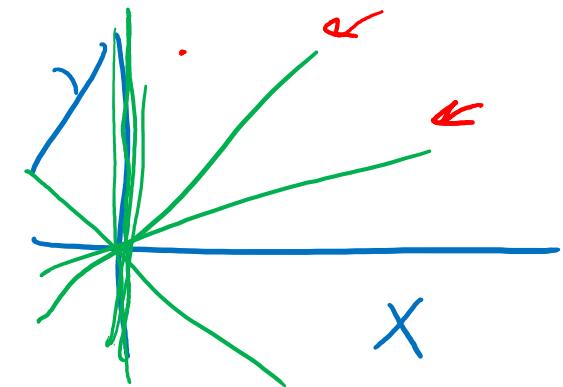
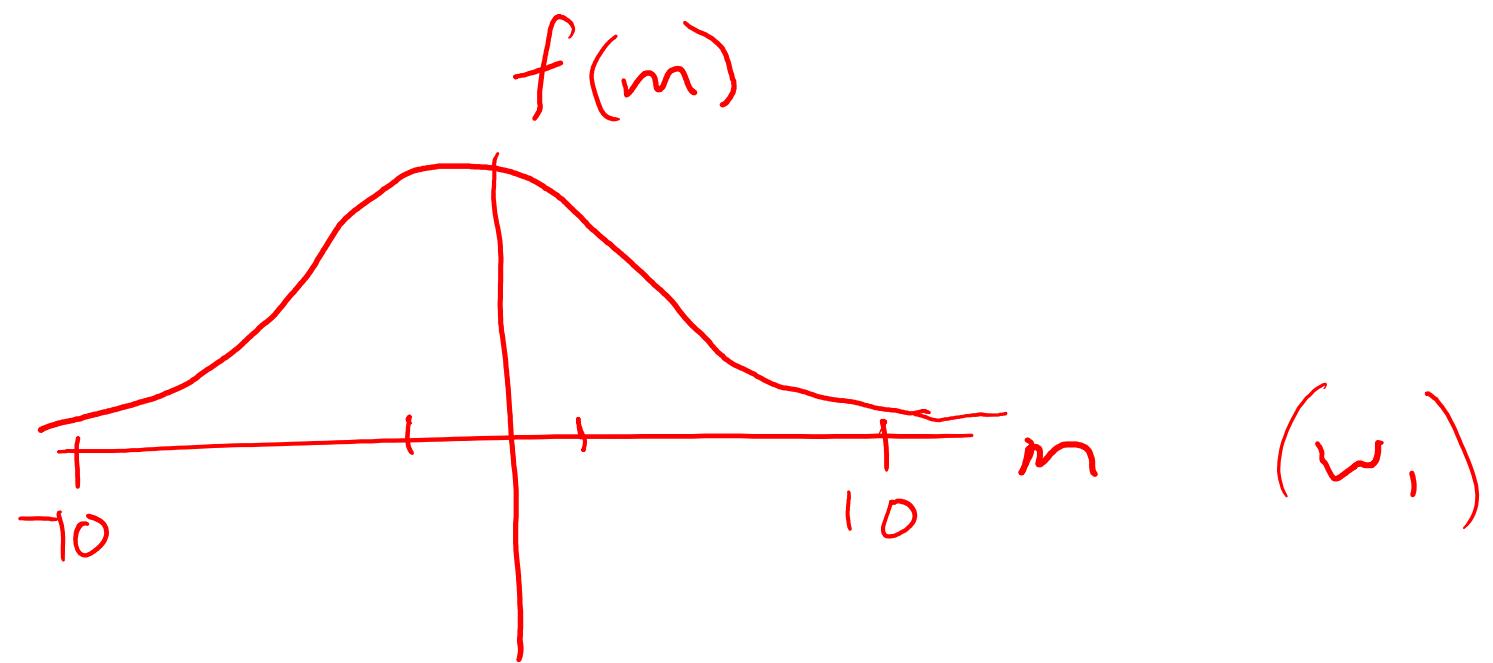
$$\rightarrow \underline{f(y | \vec{x}, w, \sigma^2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{\frac{-(y - \vec{x}^T w)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

?  $\rightarrow f(w | \mu_w, \sigma_w^2)$

$p(\theta)$

$f(y | x, \theta)$

$p(D | \theta)$



## MLE and MAP

MLE

$$p(D|\theta)$$

$$\arg \max_{\theta} p(D|\theta)$$

$$p(\theta|D) \propto p(D|\theta) p(\theta)$$

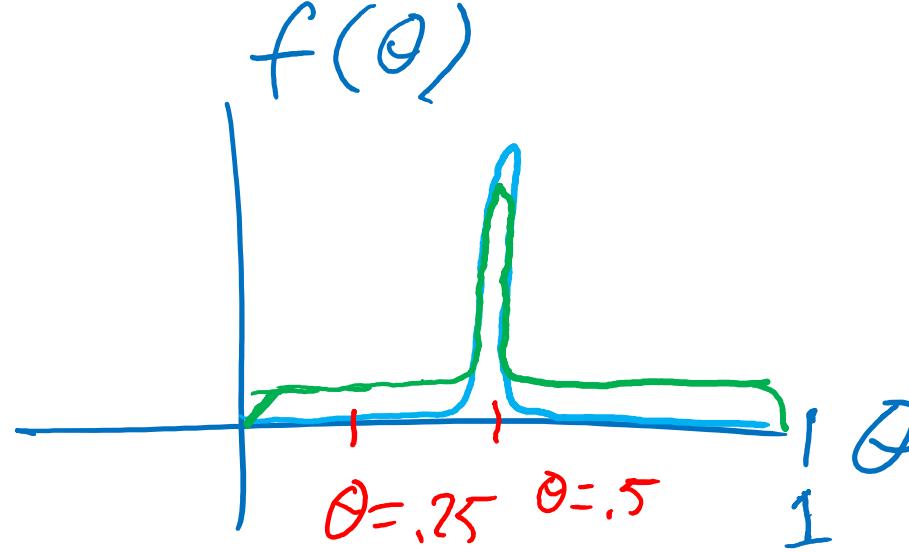
posterior

likelihood prior

Maximum a posteriori

$$\arg \max_{\theta} p(\theta|D) = \operatorname{argmax} p(D|\theta)p(\theta)$$

# Coin Flipping Example



$$f(\theta=0.25) = 0.1$$

$$f(\theta=0.5) = 0.8$$

$$P(\theta|D) \propto \prod_{n=1}^N p(D^{(n)}|\theta) p(\theta)$$

## Piazza Poll 2:

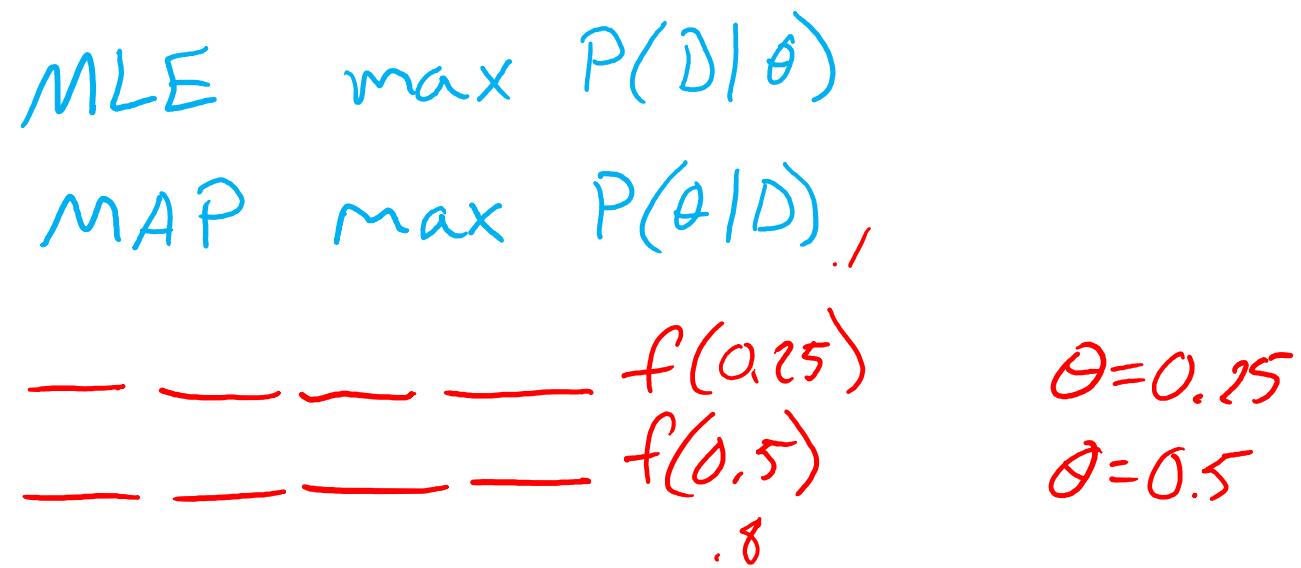
$$p(\theta | \mathcal{D}) \propto p(\mathcal{D}|\theta)p(\theta)$$

$$p(\theta | \mathcal{D}) \propto \underbrace{\prod_{\text{posterior}} p(\mathcal{D}^{(n)}|\theta)}_{\text{likelihood}} \underbrace{p(\theta)}_{\text{prior}}$$

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**



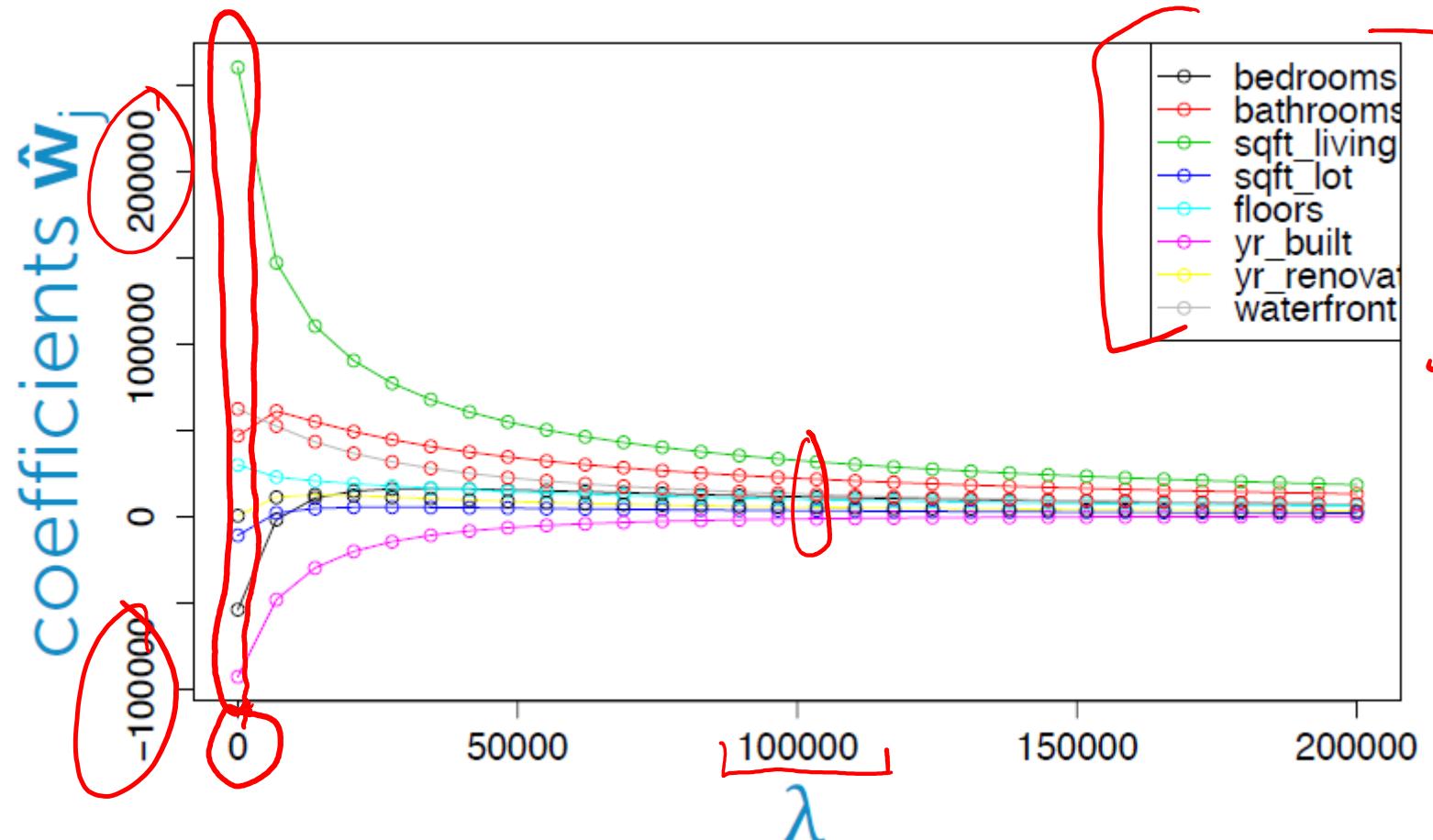
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# Housing Price Example

Predict housing price from several features

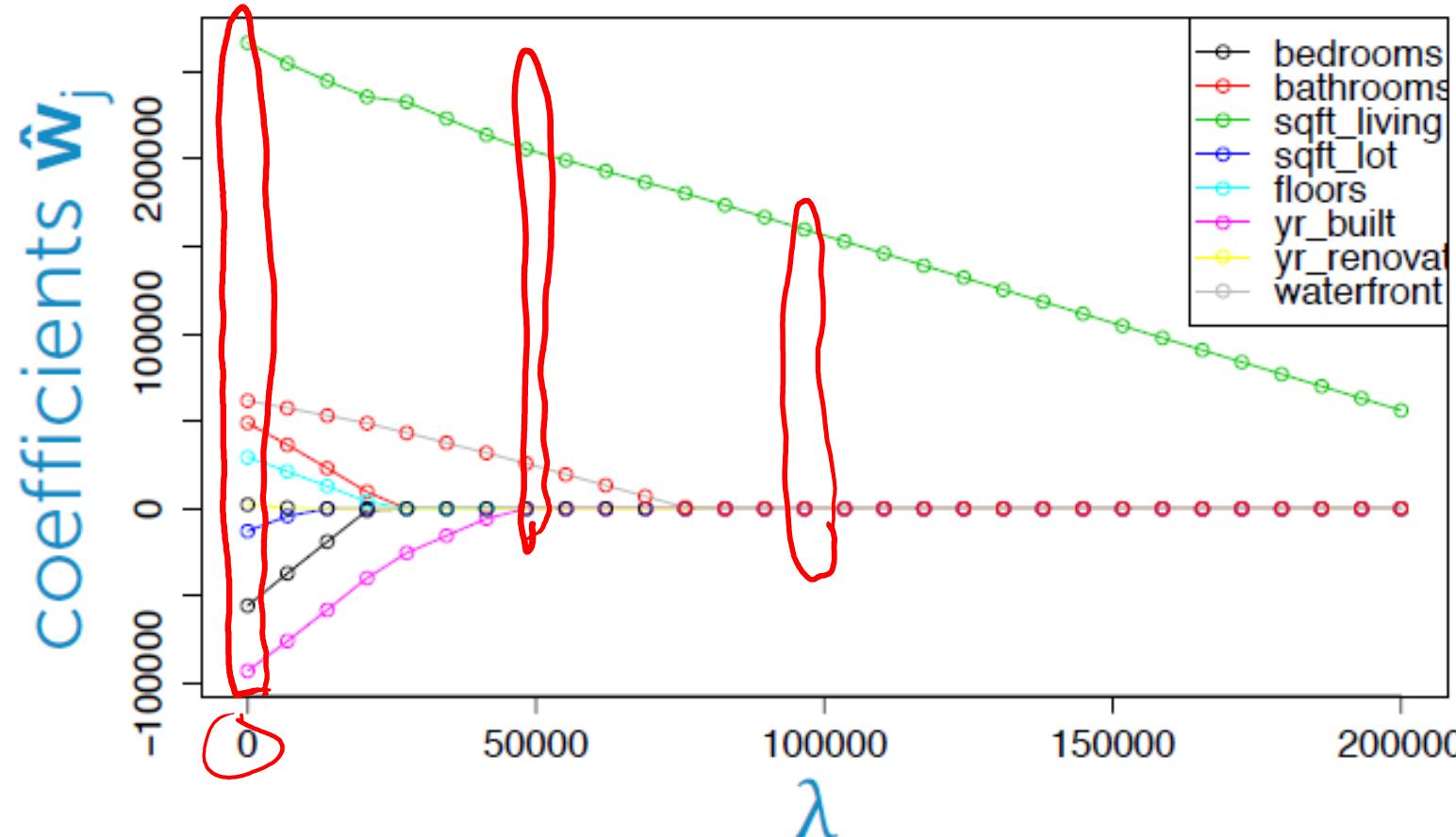
$$w \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^{m=8}$$



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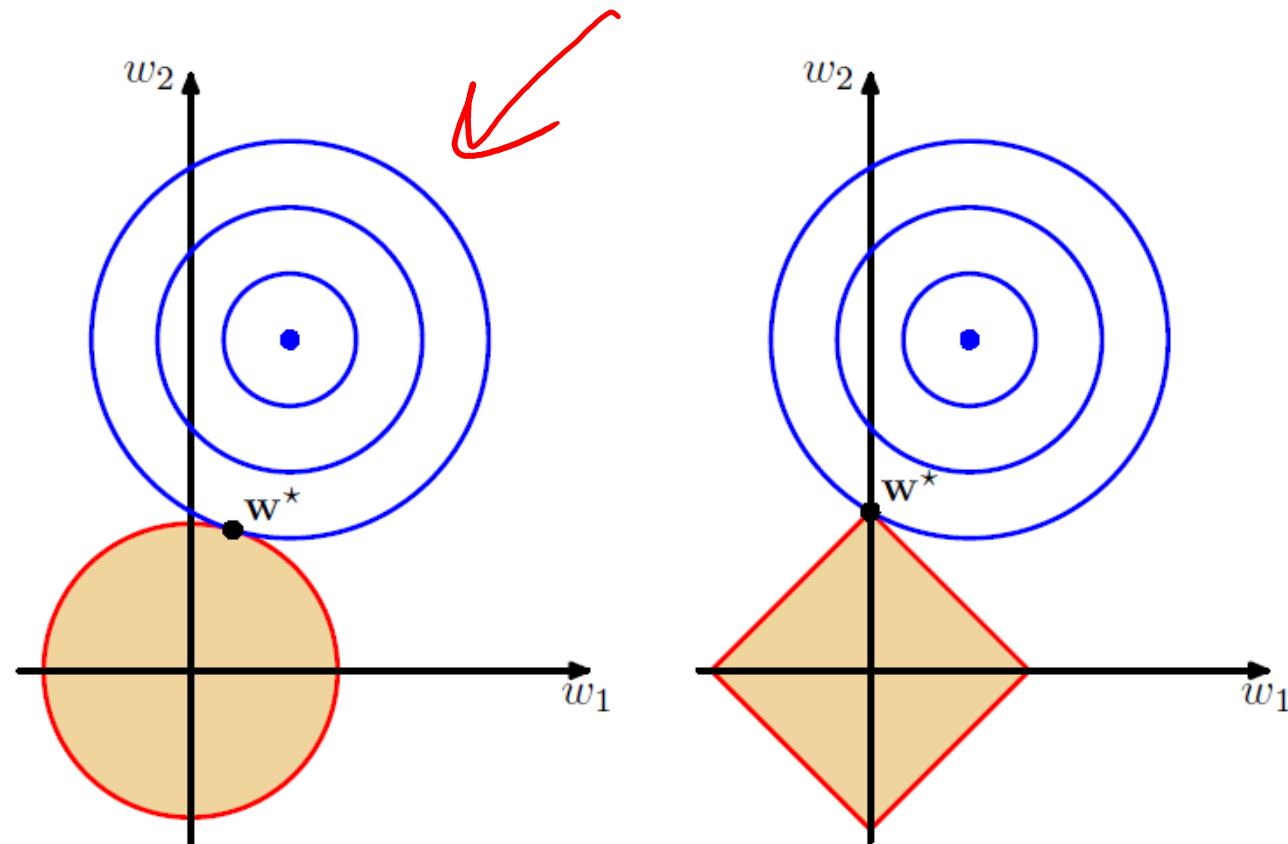
$\ell_2, \ell_1, \ell_0$  norms

$$\ell_2 \parallel w \parallel_2 = \sqrt{\sum w_i^2}$$

$$\ell_1 \parallel w \parallel_1 = \sum |w_i|$$

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# LASSO

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Probabilistic interpretation

Laplace prior on weights

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

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