# Deep Learning Lab 5: Regularization

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### Regularization

 Regularization refers to techniques that improve the generalizability of a trained model

#### **Outline**

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- Weight Decay
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  - LASSO
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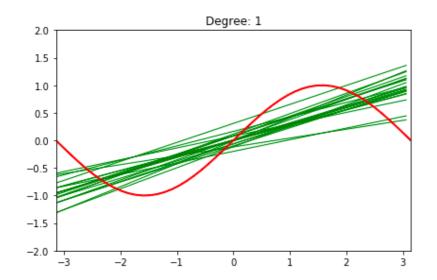
#### Scikit-learn

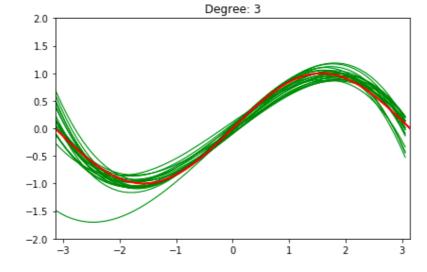
- Scikit-learn is a free software machine learning library for the Python programming language
- It features various classification, regression and clustering algorithms including support vector machines, random forests, gradient boosting, k-means and DBSCAN, and is designed to interoperate with the Python numerical and scientific libraries NumPy and SciPy
- pip install scikit-learn / conda install scikit-learn

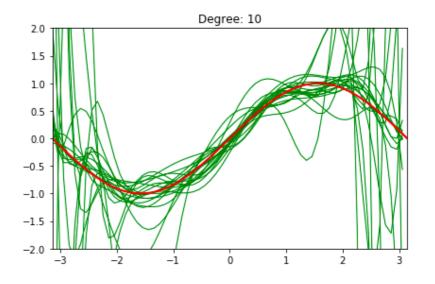


### **Learning Theory**

- Learning theory provides a means to understand the generalizability of the model
- Model complexity plays a crucial role
  - Too simple: high bias and underfitting
  - Too complex: high variance and overfitting

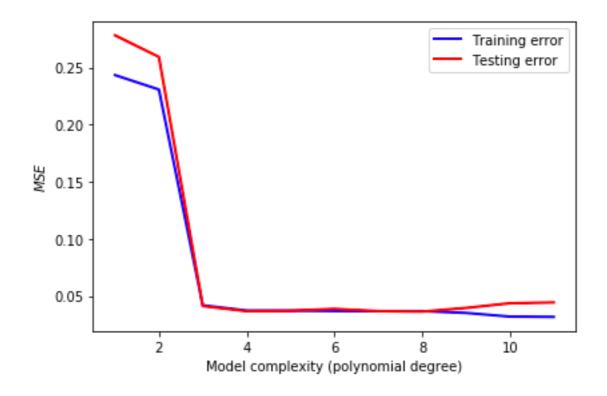






### **Error Curves and Model Complexity**

- It is relatively hard to observe the figures showed in the last slide, since normally we will never know the data distribution of ground truth
- Instead, we can get those information by observing the training and testing error

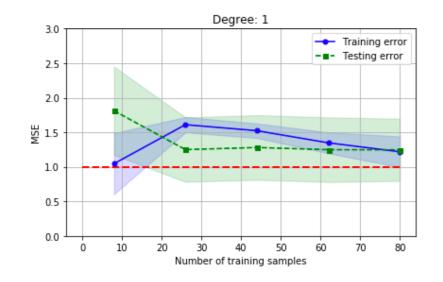


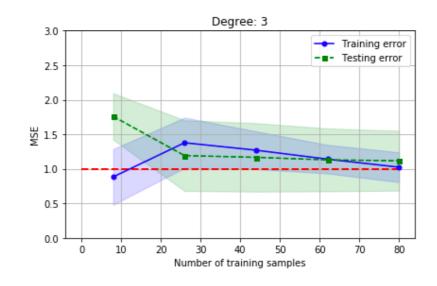
### **Error Curves and Model Complexity**

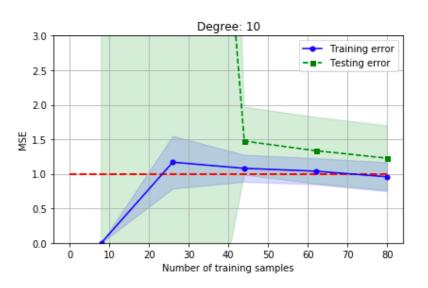
 Although the error curve visualizes the impact of model complexity, the bias-variance tradeoff holds only when you have sufficient training examples

### Learning Curves and Sample Complexity

 The bounding methods of learning theory tell us that a model is likely to overfit regardless of it complexity when the size of training set is small. The learning curves are a useful tool for understanding how much training examples are sufficient







## **Weight Decay**

- A common regularization approach. The idea is to add a term in the cost function against complexity
  - Ridge Regression (L<sub>2</sub>)

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \|\mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - b\mathbf{1})\|^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

LASSO (L<sub>1</sub>)

$$\arg\min_{w,b} \|\mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - b\mathbf{1})\|^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{w}\|_1$$

### Ridge Regression

A small value α drastically reduces the testing error.
 Nevertheless, it's not a good idea to increase α forever, since it will over-shrink the coefficients of w and result in underfitting

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \|\mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - b\mathbf{1})\|^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

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[Alpha = 0]
MSE train: 0.00, test: 19958.68

[Alpha = 1]
MSE train: 0.73, test: 23.05

[Alpha = 10]
MSE train: 1.66, test: 16.83

[Alpha = 100]
MSE train: 3.60, test: 15.16

[Alpha = 1000]
MSE train: 8.81, test: 19.22
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#### **LASSO**

• An alternative weight decay approach that can lead to sparse w is the LASSO. Depending on the value of α, certain weights can become zero much faster than others

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \|\mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - b\mathbf{1})\|^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{w}\|_1$$

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[Alpha = 0.00]
MSE train: 19.96, test: 27.20

[Alpha = 0.01]
MSE train: 19.96, test: 27.28

[Alpha = 0.10]
MSE train: 20.42, test: 28.33

[Alpha = 1.00]
MSE train: 26.04, test: 33.41

[Alpha = 10.00]
MSE train: 84.76, test: 83.77
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### Ridge vs LASSO

- Why is LASSO sparse?
  - Ridge Regression (L<sub>2</sub>)

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \|\mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - b\mathbf{1})\|^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

• LASSO (L<sub>1</sub>)

$$\arg\min_{w,b} \|\mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - b\mathbf{1})\|^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{w}\|_1$$

**Initial weights** 

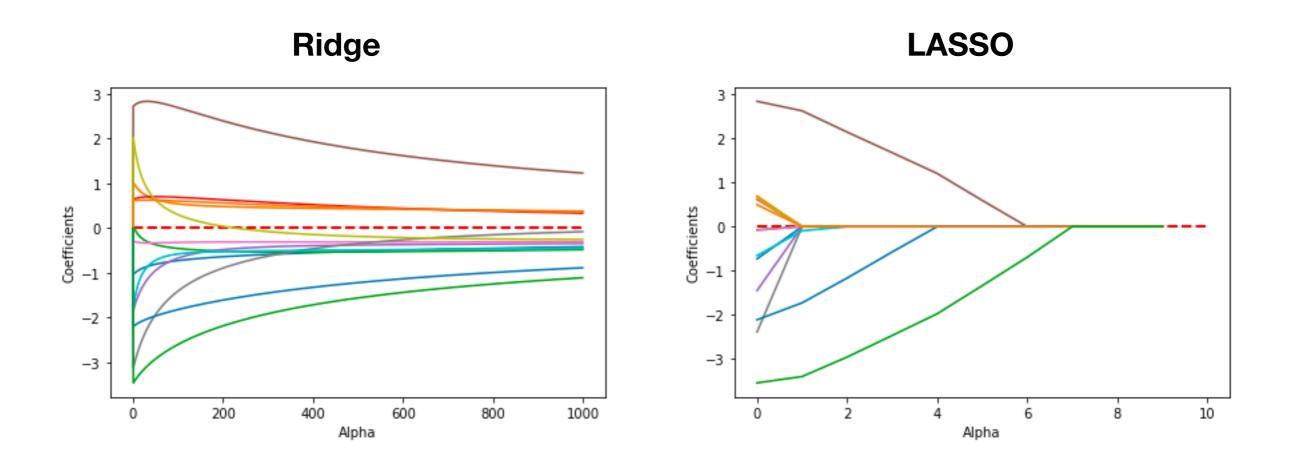
**Ridge Regression** 

 $[1, 0.5, 1, 0.5] \rightarrow [0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5]$ 

**LASSO** 

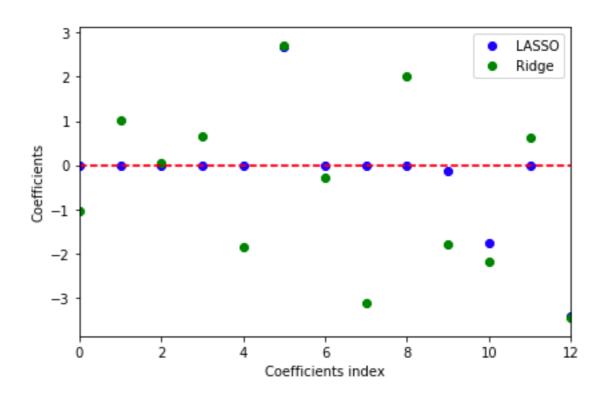
[0.5, 0, 0.5, 0]

# Ridge vs LASSO



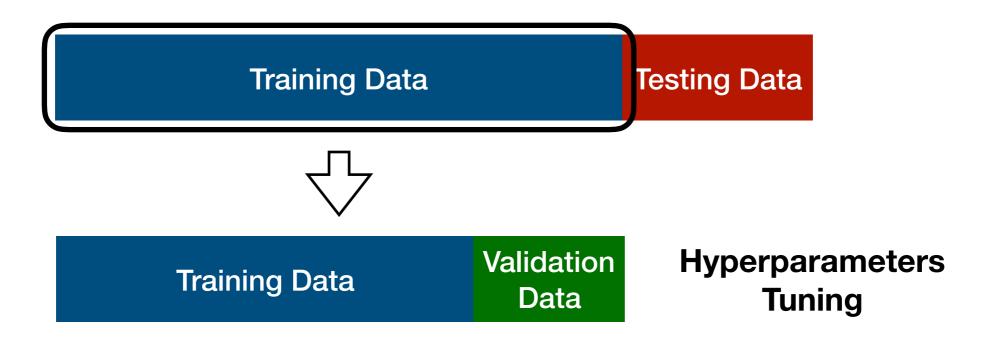
### Ridge vs LASSO

 LASSO can also be treated as a supervised feature selection technique when choosing a suitable regularization strength α to make only part of coefficients become exactly zeros



#### **Validation**

- Another useful regularization technique that helps us decide the proper value of hyperparameters
- The idea is to split your data into the training, validation, and testing sets and then select the best value based on validation performance
- NOTE: It is important that we should never peep testing data during training



### **Validation**

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MSE train: 25.00, valid: 21.43, test: 32.09

[Degree = 2]
MSE train: 9.68, valid: 14.24, test: 20.24

[Degree = 3]
MSE train: 3.38, valid: 17.74, test: 18.63

[Degree = 4]
MSE train: 1.72, valid: 16.67, test: 30.98

[Degree = 5]
MSE train: 0.97, valid: 59.73, test: 57.02

[Degree = 6]
MSE train: 0.60, valid: 1444.08, test: 33189.41
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### Assignment

- In this assignment, you should train a model to predict if a shot can make under specific circumstance
  - **y\_test** is hidden this time
  - Allow to use any model you have learned before to achieve the best accuracy
  - Select the best **3 features**, and show the accuracy with only those

#### Hint

- Preprocess the data to help your training
- Since you don't have y\_test this time, you may need to split a validation set for checking your performance

## Assignment

- Submit to iLMS with your ipynb (Lab05\_{student\_id}.ipynb) and y\_pred.csv
- The notebook should contain
  - How you evaluate your model
  - All models you have tried and the result
  - Plot the error curve of your best model and tell if it is over-fit or not
  - The top-3 features you find and how you find it
  - A **brief report** what you do in this assignment
- Deadline: 2019-10-03(Thur) 23:59