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Regularization Preventing overfitting

A way to prefer some model/hypothesis over others in our class based on some idea of what is the preferred model

ence...

How can we reduce the out of sample error by preferring some solutions in our hypothesis class

$$E_{in}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \hat{y})^2 = \frac{1}{N} RSS(\mathbf{w})$$

We will be modifying our linear regression algorithm.

The techniques will discuss will be used in other algorithms later in the semester.

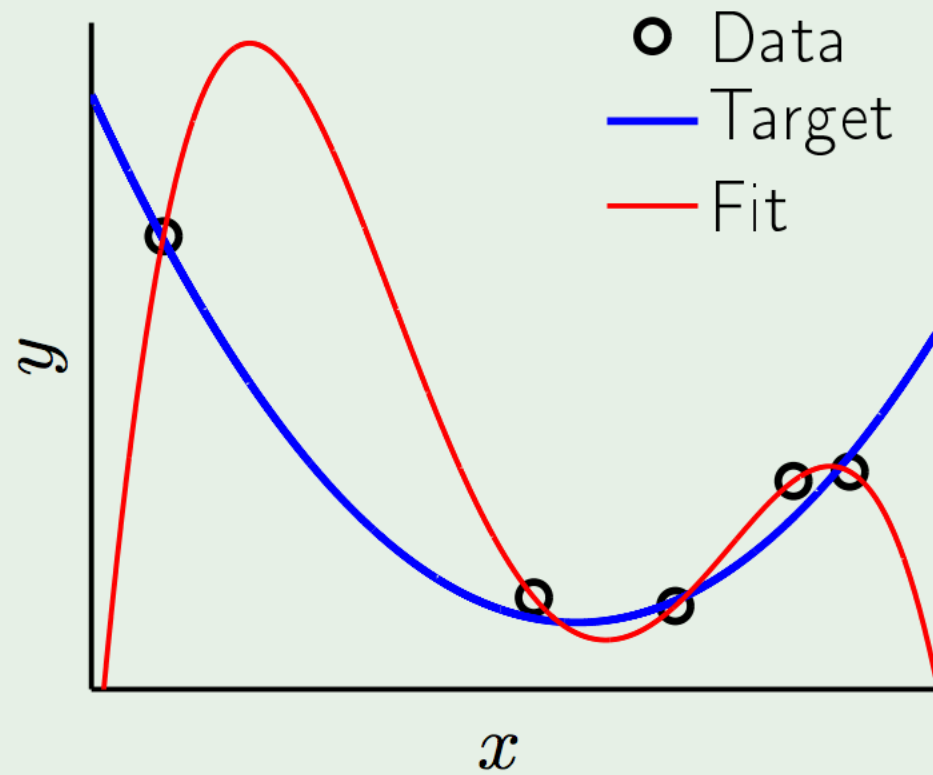
Learning objectives

- Understand regularizer can be used to decrease overfitting
- Understand how to create an objective function that prefers functions with smaller coefficients (simpler models) by adding a L1 or L2 penalty term
- Understand why we don't regularize the bias term
- How the L1 or L2 penalty term affects bias and variance
- How to use model selection to tune the hyper-parameter λ
- L1 regularization can produce feature selection
- Understand that feature scaling should be performed in most cases

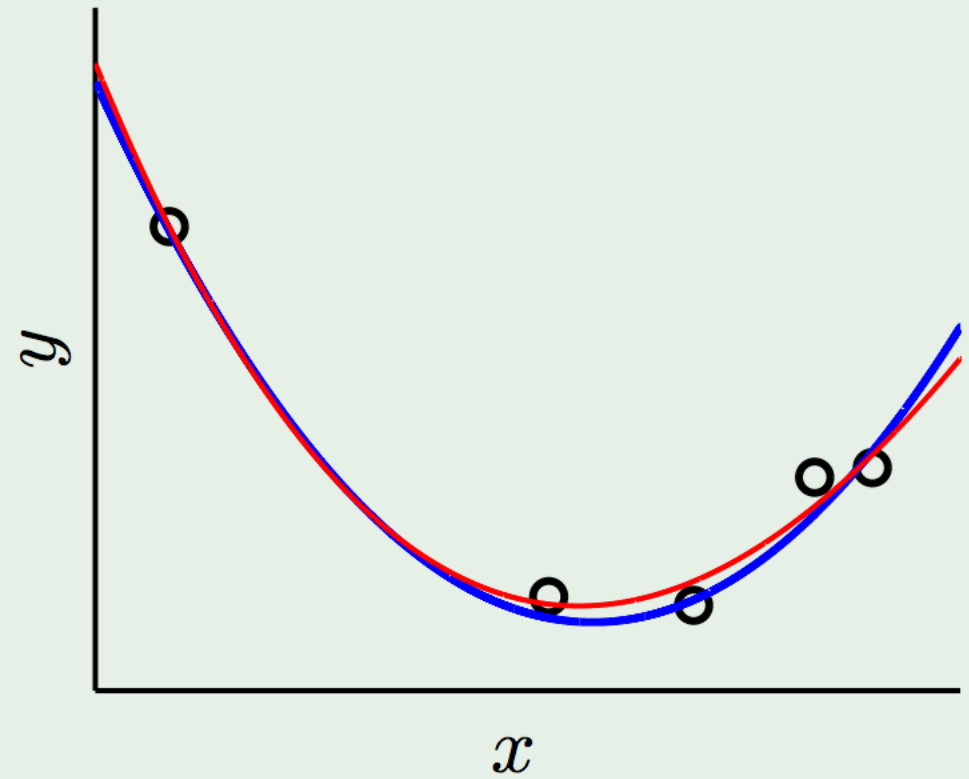
Occam's razor (**Latin**: *novacula Occami*)

“entities should not be multiplied beyond necessity”, sometimes inaccurately paraphrased as “the simplest explanation is usually the best one.”

Putting the brakes

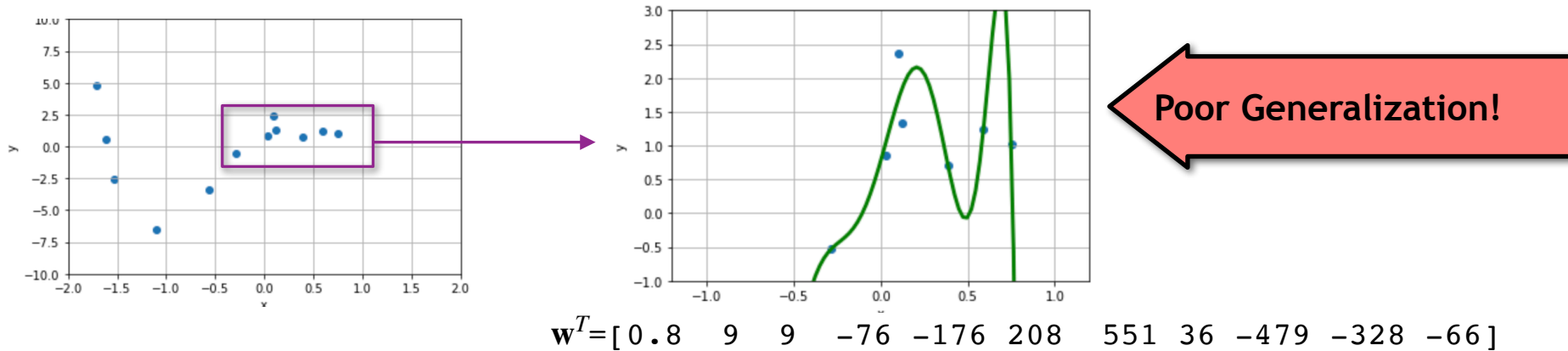


free fit



restrained fit

Example:



Observations:

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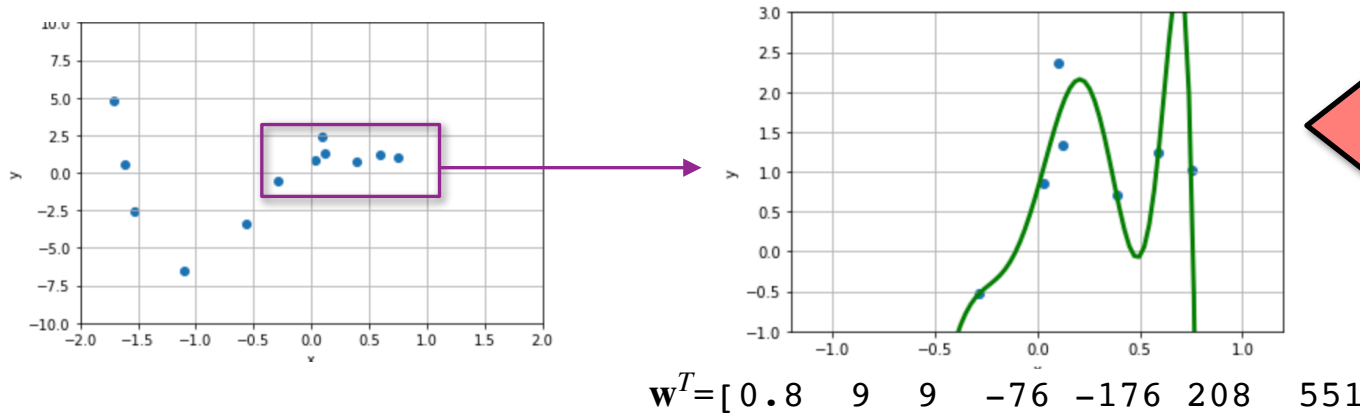
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Poor Generalization!

If $w_j = 551$ then a small change to the value of the j th feature makes a huge change in \hat{y}

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Preventing Overfitting

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- How do we choose smaller coefficients?
- How do we choose which parameters are important?

□ Want to reduce variance (and possibly increase bias)

□ To do this we can change our *objective function*!

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$$w_0 + w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_d$$

sum of absolute value of coefficients?

$$|w_0| + |w_1| + |w_2| + \dots + |w_d|$$

Sum of squares of coefficients?

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What function should we use?

We will explore this penalty - LASSO regression

We will explore this penalty - Ridge Regression

λ is called the tuning parameter.

λ determines the amount regularization

$d = \# \text{ features}$. Note we don't want to restrict w_0 . Many approaches to this issue are possible. We will leave w_0 out of the penalty term. Note: Scaling the features is suggested

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This is a technique that is used in when learning many other models

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Choosing the right λ is also part of model selection

We will focus on choosing the right tuning parameter for accuracy (not interpretation)

ization

Ridge Regression

L₂ regularization

The size of a vector is referred to as the norm of the vector. What is the “size”. It depends
The L2 norm of a vector is the square root of the sum of the squared vector values $\mathbf{v}^T = [1, 2, 3]$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\|_2 = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}$$

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Ridge Regression

L_2 regularization

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$$E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)^2 + \lambda (w_1^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_d^2)$$

- λ controls the model complexity

- Large λ

- high bias, low variance

- small λ

- low bias, high variance

If $\lambda=0$ then
 $\mathbf{w}_{\text{ridge}} = \mathbf{w}_{\text{lin}}$

\mathbf{w}_{lin} = the best parameters
for least squares cost

If λ very large then
 $w_i \sim 0$ for all i

If λ is a constant then

$$0 \leq \|\mathbf{w}_{\text{ridge}}\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{w}_{\text{lin}}\|_2^2$$

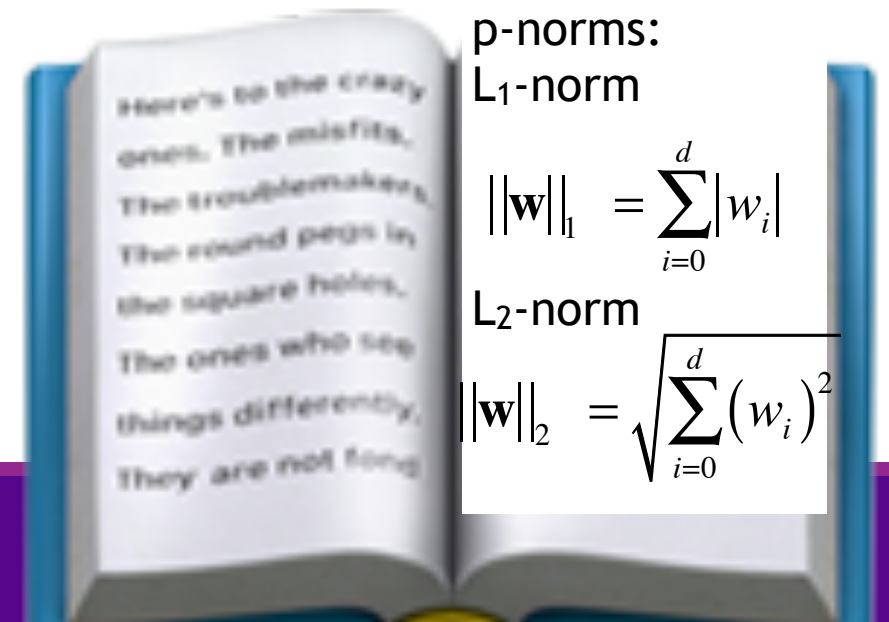
p-norms:

L_1 -norm

$$\|\mathbf{w}\|_1 = \sum_{i=0}^d |w_i|$$

L_2 -norm

$$\|\mathbf{w}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=0}^d (w_i)^2}$$



Level curve/contour line/ Isoline of $\|X\mathbf{w}-\mathbf{y}\|^2 = c$

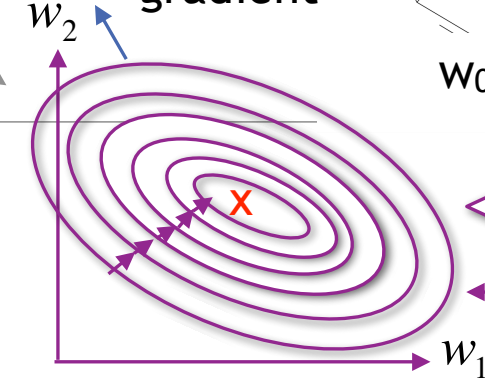
Geometric Intuition

- Looking at the contour plot of RSS

$$E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n (y^{(i)} - \hat{y}^{(i)})^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})^2$$

Ellipse

gradient



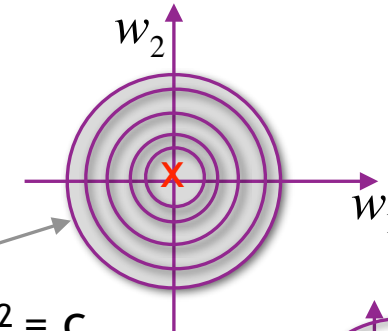
contour plot

$$E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) = c$$

- Looking at the contour plot of the L₂ norm

$$\|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_2^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d w_i^2$$

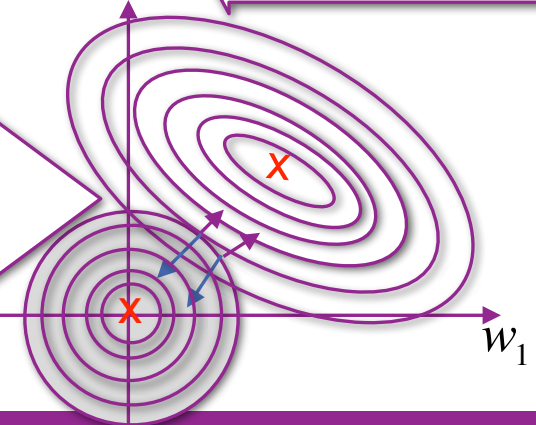
Level curve/contour line/ Isoline of $\|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|^2 = c$



sphere
(hypersphere in
higher dimensions)

- Looking at $E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_2^2$

For each λ there is a point
which minimizes $E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w})$



Remember how in Multiple linear regression we found **w** to minimize E_{in}

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N ((\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 = \frac{1}{2N} RSS(\mathbf{w})$$

Remember: Multiple linear regression

Closed form solution

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An alternative objective function

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \hat{y})^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \text{RSS}(\mathbf{w}) \end{aligned}$$

Goal find \mathbf{w}_{lin} such that $\nabla J(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{0}$ (same \mathbf{w} that makes $\text{RSS}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{0}$ and $\nabla E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{0}$)

$$\nabla J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} X^T (X\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{N} (X^T X\mathbf{w} - X^T \mathbf{y})$$

$$\text{Setting } \nabla J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} (X^T X\mathbf{w} - X^T \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{0}$$

Results in: $X^T X\mathbf{w} = X^T \mathbf{y}$

$$\text{Thus } \mathbf{w}_{\text{lin}} = \underbrace{(X^T X)^{-1}}_{\text{pseudoinverse left inverse}} X^T \mathbf{y}$$

pseudoinverse
left inverse

We added 'lin' to \mathbf{w} to specify it was linear regression

$X^T X$ is a $d \times d$ matrix
 $(X^T X)^{-1}$ is a $d \times d$ matrix
 $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T$ is a $d \times N$ matrix
 $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbf{y}$ is $d \times 1$

$$\nabla J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} (X^T X\mathbf{w} - X^T \mathbf{y})$$

$$\nabla E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{2}{N} (X^T X\mathbf{w} - X^T \mathbf{y})$$

Finding \mathbf{w} to minimize E_{ridge}

$$E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda(w_1^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_d^2)$$

Goal find $\mathbf{w}_{\text{ridge}}$ such that $\nabla E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{0}$

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$$\nabla E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{2}{N} (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y})$$

$$(\mathbf{w}_{1:d})^T \mathbf{w}_{1:d} = w_1^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_j^2 + \dots + w_d^2$$

$$\frac{\partial (\mathbf{w}_{1:d})^T \mathbf{w}_{1:d}}{\partial w_j} = 2w_j$$

$$\nabla (\mathbf{w}_{1:d})^T \mathbf{w}_{1:d} = 2 \mathbf{w}_{1:d}$$

$$\nabla \lambda(\mathbf{w}_{1:d})^T \mathbf{w}_{1:d} = 2 \lambda \mathbf{w}_{1:d}$$

$$\nabla E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{2}{N} (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}) + 2 \lambda \mathbf{I} \mathbf{w}$$

$$E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \hat{y})^2$$

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \hat{y})^2$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_d^2$$

Using this form so E_{ridge}
to easier to work with

$$2 \lambda \mathbf{w} = 2 \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{bmatrix} = 2 \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{bmatrix} = 2 \lambda \mathbf{I} \mathbf{w}$$

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$$\text{Setting } \nabla E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{2}{N}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}) + 2\lambda \mathbf{I}' \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$$

Results in:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} + N\lambda \mathbf{I}' \mathbf{w} &= \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\ (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + N\lambda \mathbf{I}') \mathbf{w} &= \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{w} &= (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + N\lambda \mathbf{I}')^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } \mathbf{w}_{\text{ridge}} = \underbrace{(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + N\lambda \mathbf{I}')^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}}$$

Closed form solution!

Please note that we could have written the regularization as $\lambda/N \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}$ since the need for regularization decreases as the number of training examples increases.

In this case we are minimizing $E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda/N \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}$ and the closed form solution becomes $(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \lambda \mathbf{I}')^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$

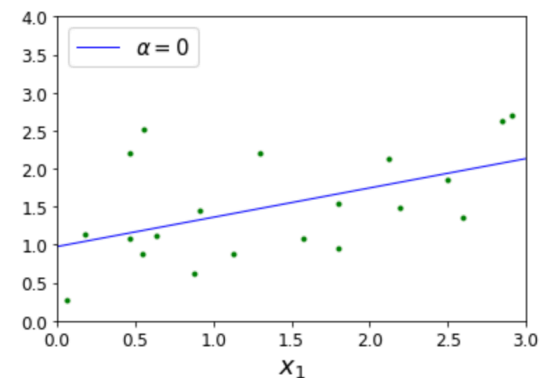
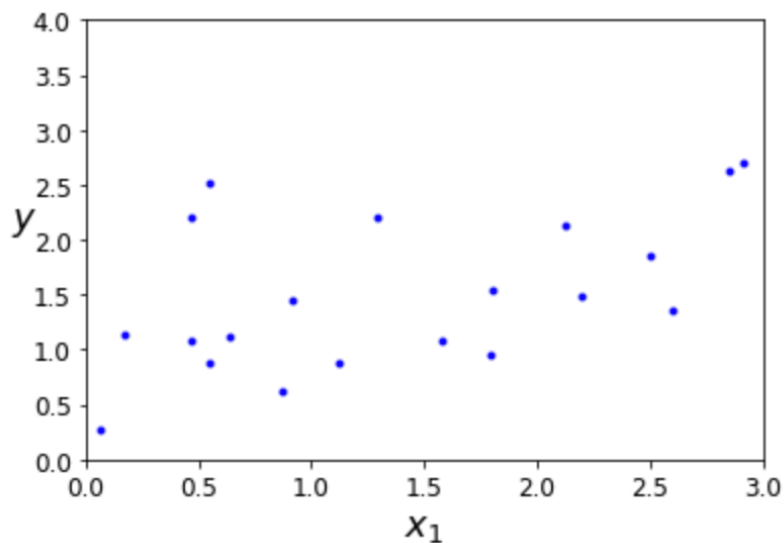
$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{lin}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Example

X

y

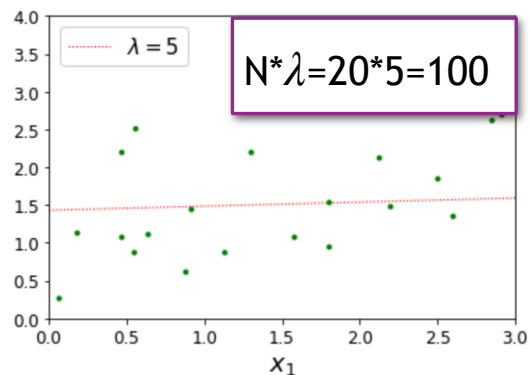
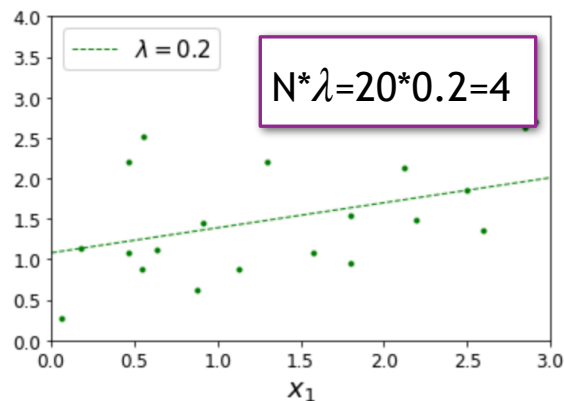
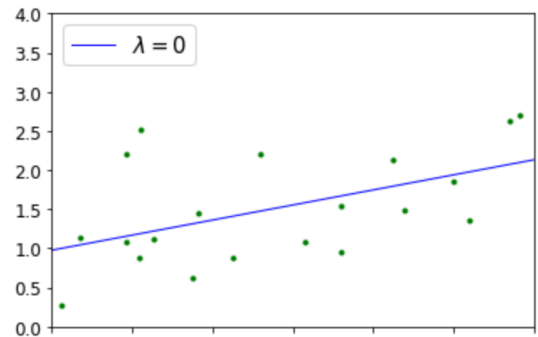
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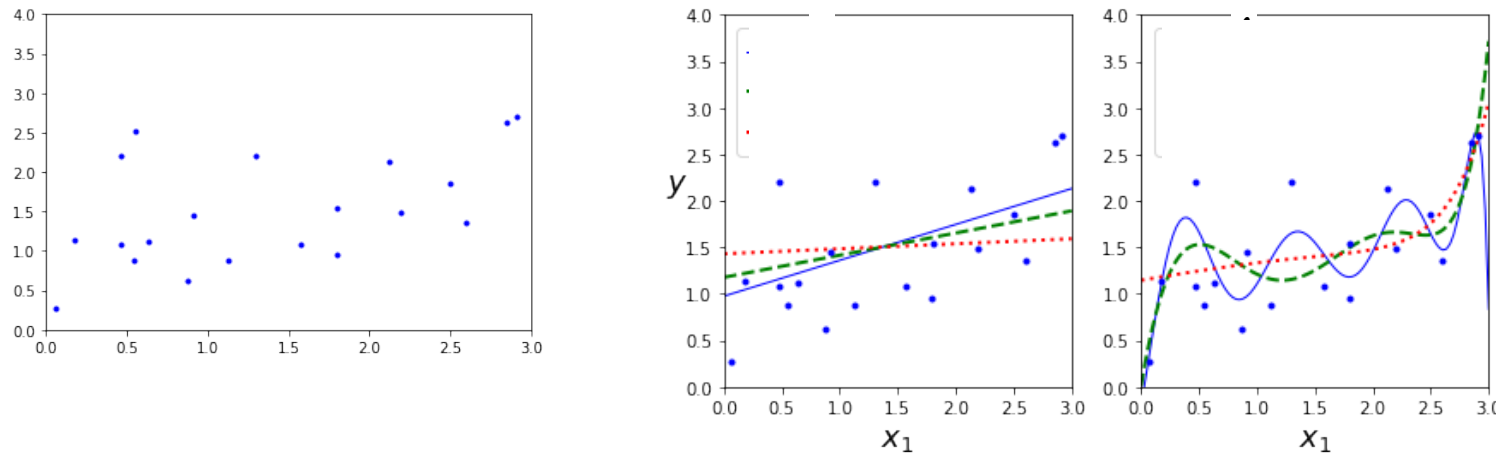
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Sklearn Regularization

The true function is linear $f(x) = 1 + 0.5 * X + \text{noise}$



Example from page 129-131 in Machine Learning with Scikit-Learn and TensorFlow

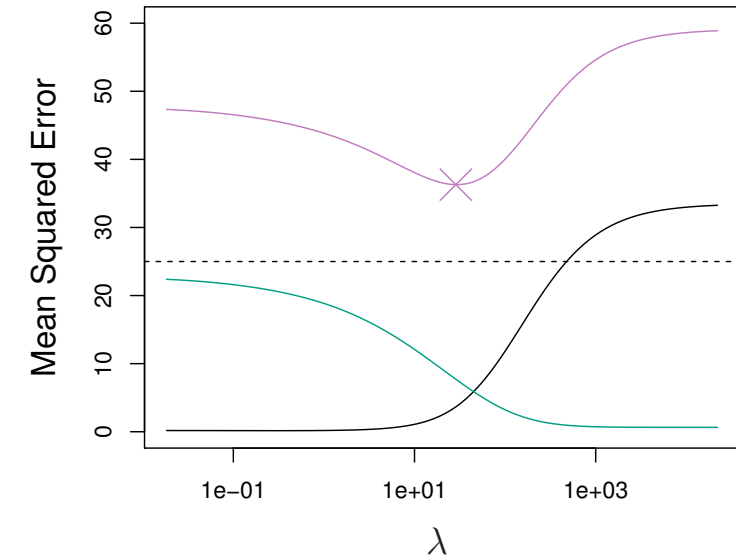


Figure 6.5 from ISLR
The data was synthetic data
Purple - test MSE
Green - variance
Black - bias (aka bias²)

Lasso - Least Absolute Selection and Shrinkage Operator

PERFORM VARIABLE SELECTION

MORE EFFICIENT TO HAVE LESS FEATURES

INTERPRETABILITY

Too many features!

In some datasets, only a subset of the features contribute to the answer

Removing features reduces variance

Removing features makes understanding the coefficients easier

How could we choose which features to use?

- Run the algorithm on all possible subsets of the features
- Remove features one by one and rerun the algorithm - seeing if it gets worse
- Start with one feature and slowly add new features if “they help”

We can use LASSO regularization to reduce the number of features

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Lasso Regression

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If $\lambda=0$ then $\mathbf{w}_{\text{lasso}} = \mathbf{w}_{\text{lin}}$

$\mathbf{w}_{\text{lasso}}$ = the best parameters for LASSO

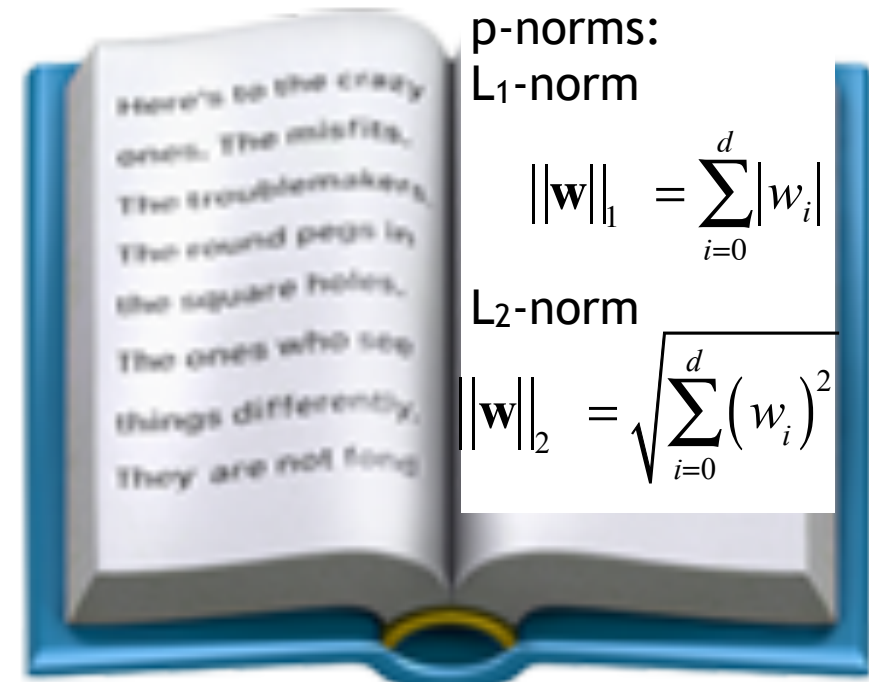
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Geometric Intuition

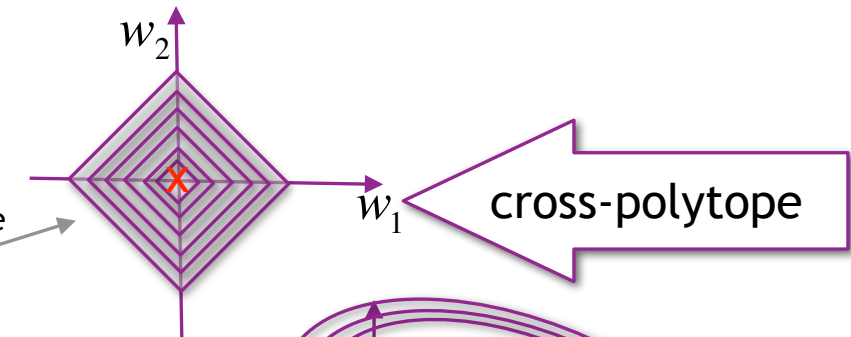
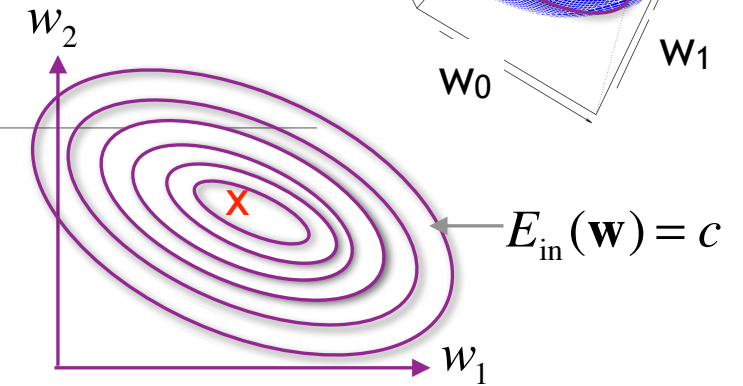
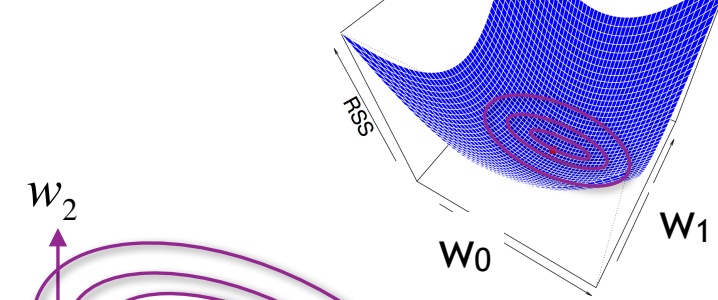
- Looking at the contour plot of RSS

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- Looking at the contour plot of the L₁ norm

$$\|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^d |w_i|$$

- Looking at $E_{\text{lasso}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_1$



Level curve/contour line/Isoline
 $\|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^d |w_i| = s$

The min is often at the tip of the polytope

Uh Oh, no closed form solution for minimizing

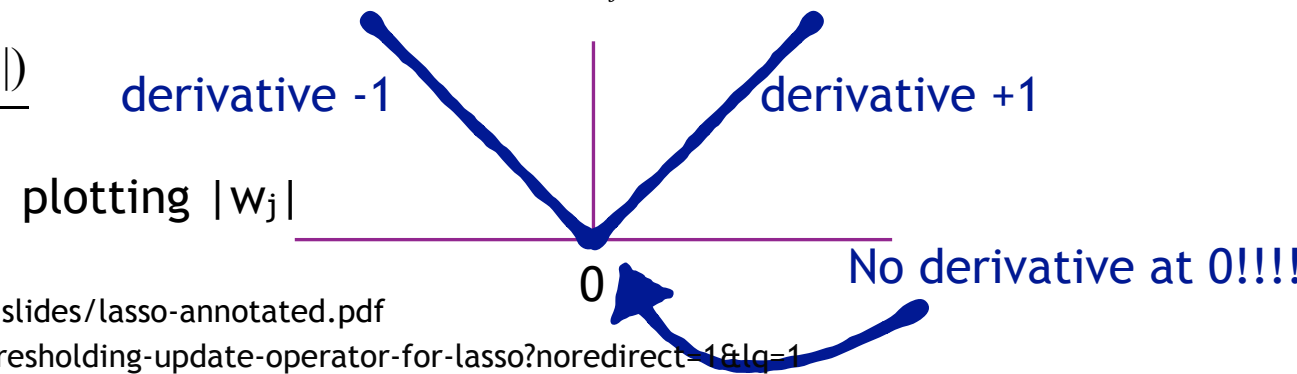
$$E_{\text{lasso}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_1$$

- $E_{\text{lasso}}(\mathbf{w})$ is convex, but we cannot take the derivative and set it to zero to find the optimal \mathbf{w}
- It is possible to optimize the j^{th} coefficient while the others remain fixed

$$w_j^* = \arg \min_z E_{\text{lasso}}(\mathbf{w} + z\mathbf{e}_j) \quad \mathbf{e}_j \text{ is the } j^{\text{th}} \text{ unit vector}$$

$$\frac{\partial E_{\text{lasso}}(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_j} = \frac{2}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - (w_0 x_0^{(i)} + w_1 x_1^{(i)} + w_2 x_2^{(i)} + \dots + w_j x_j^{(i)} + \dots + w_d x_d^{(i)}))(-x_j^{(i)}) + \lambda \frac{\partial \|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_1}{\partial w_j}$$

$$\frac{\partial \lambda \|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_1}{\partial w_j} = \lambda \frac{\partial \|\mathbf{w}_{1:d}\|_1}{\partial w_j} = \lambda \frac{\partial (|w_1| + \dots + |w_d|)}{\partial w_j} = \lambda \frac{\partial (|w_j|)}{\partial w_j}$$



Approach taken from: <https://courses.cs.washington.edu/courses/cse546/14au/slides/lasso-annotated.pdf>

<https://stats.stackexchange.com/questions/123672/coordinate-descent-soft-thresholding-update-operator-for-lasso?noredirect=1&lq=1>

<https://support.sas.com/resources/papers/proceedings15/3297-2015.pdf>

<http://www.math.mcgill.ca/yyang/regression/extra/lasso.pdf>

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lasso_\(statistics\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lasso_(statistics))

<http://myweb.uiowa.edu/pbreheny/7600/s16/notes/2-15.pdf>

Ridge and LASSO

Overview

Suggested to **scale** features before performing ridge regression or lasso regression.

Ridge regression has a **closed form solution**.
Ridge regression shrinks coefficients towards zero.

Lasso does not have a closed form solution.
Lasso performs **feature selection** as well as **parameter estimation**.

For both lasso and ridge regression, the tuning parameter λ **controls the strength of the regularization**.

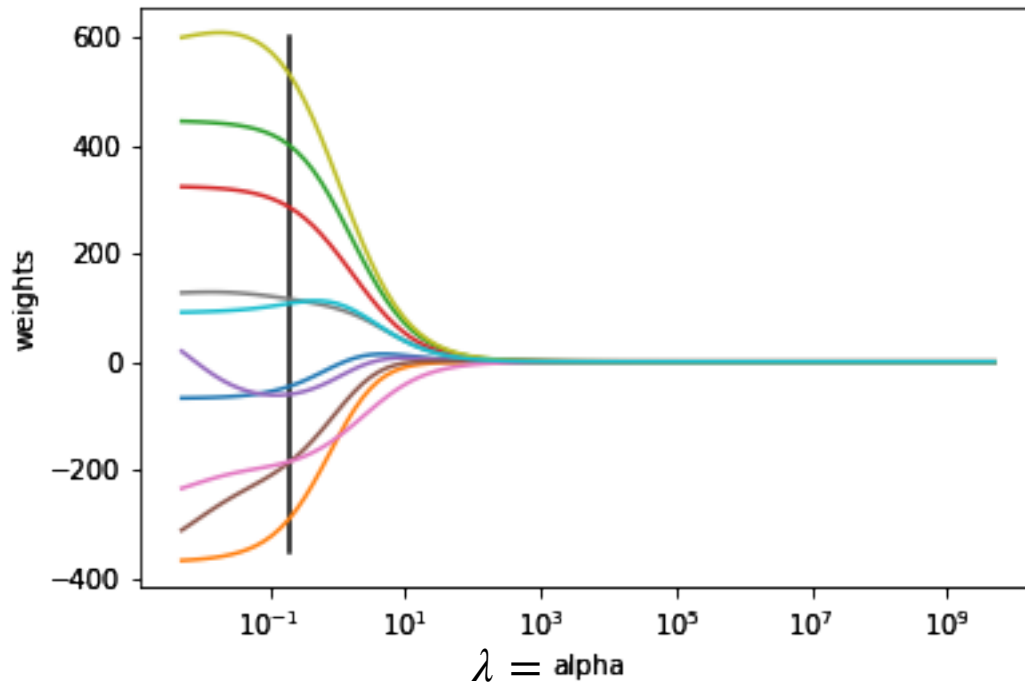
Both ridge and lasso **increase bias, but decrease variance**

Pair share: which value of λ causes the model to have more bias? $\lambda = \frac{1}{10}$ or $\lambda = \frac{1}{100}$

How changes in λ affect the optimal coefficients

RIDGE

$$E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda (w_1^2 + w_2^2 + w_3^2 + \dots + w_d^2)$$

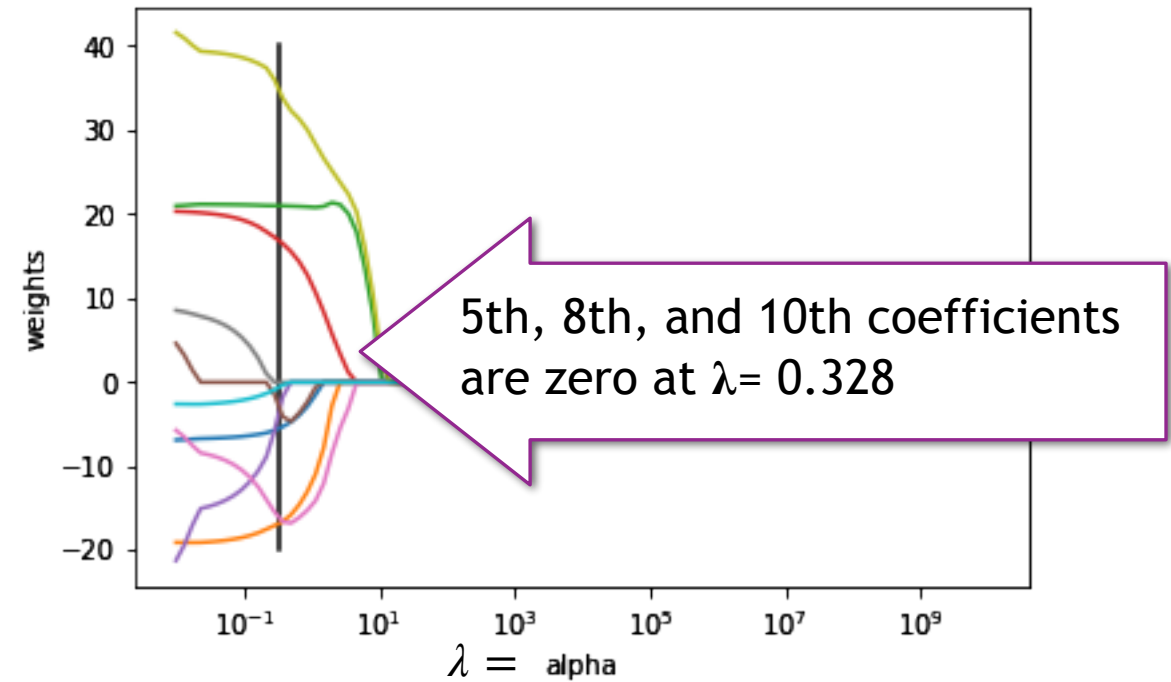


The best $\lambda = \text{alpha}$: 0.188

$$E_{\text{ridge}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + 0.188 (w_1^2 + w_2^2 + w_3^2 + \dots + w_d^2)$$

LASSO

$$E_{\text{lasso}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda (|w_1| + |w_2| + |w_3| + \dots + |w_d|)$$



The best $\lambda = \text{alpha}$: 0.328

$$E_{\text{lasso}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + 0.328 (|w_1| + |w_2| + |w_3| + \dots + |w_d|)$$

Slides not covered in class

Pair share

- You are choosing amongst 6 different transformations of the data (one is the identity transformation), and for each, you will try 8 different values for λ .
- How many times do you train a model?

- A. 1
- B. 6
- C. 8
- D. 14
- E. 36
- F. 40
- G. 45
- H. 48
- I. More than 50

Standardization in Scikit-Learn

Many algorithm (such as ridge regression and lasso regression) require the data to be standardized to work correctly.

We want to apply the same scaling we did on the test data to future examples...

```
from sklearn import preprocessing
scaler = preprocessing.StandardScaler().fit(X_train)
X_train_scaled = scaler.transform(X_train) # zero mean and unit variance
# Then later when want to use our classifier on new data, we scale the new data the same way we scaled the training
X_test_scaled = scaler.transform(X_test)
```

More information from <http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/preprocessing.html>
Many other variations of scaling can be found here

Ridge Regression in Scikit-Learn

auto is default

`solver : {'auto', 'cholesky', 'sag', ...}`

```
from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
import numpy as np

clf = Ridge(alpha=1.0, solver = 'cholesky')
clf.fit(X, y)

print(clf.coef_)
print(clf.intercept_)
```

closed form solution
we proved

stochastic gradient
descent (typically faster
when X is large).
Needs scaled data!

Some the methods

<code>fit(X, y)</code>	Fit Ridge regression model.
<code>predict(X)</code>	Predict class labels for samples in X.
<code>score(X, y[, sample_weight])</code>	Return the coefficient of determination of the prediction

Information from http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.linear_model.Ridge.html

Lasso Regression in Scikit-Learn

```
from sklearn import linear_model
clf = linear_model.Lasso(alpha=0.1)
clf.fit([[0,0], [1, 1], [2, 2]], [0, 1, 2])

print(clf.coef_)
print(clf.intercept_)
```

[0.85 0.]

0.150

Some of the methods

<code>fit(X, y)</code>	Fit Lasso regression model.
<code>predict(X)</code>	Predict class labels for samples in X.
<code>score(X, y[, sample_weight])</code>	Return the coefficient of determination of the prediction

Information from https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.linear_model.Lasso.html