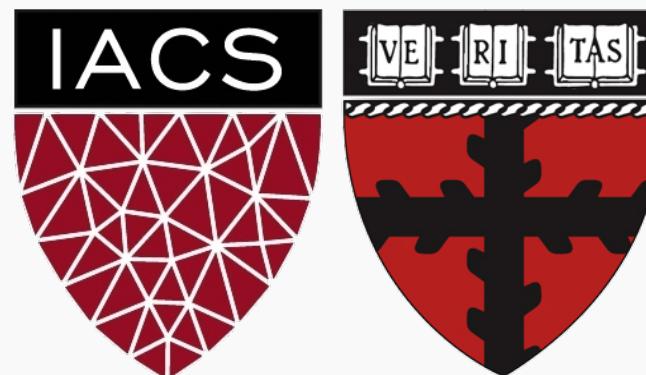


# Ridge and Lasso - Hyperparameters

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# Outline

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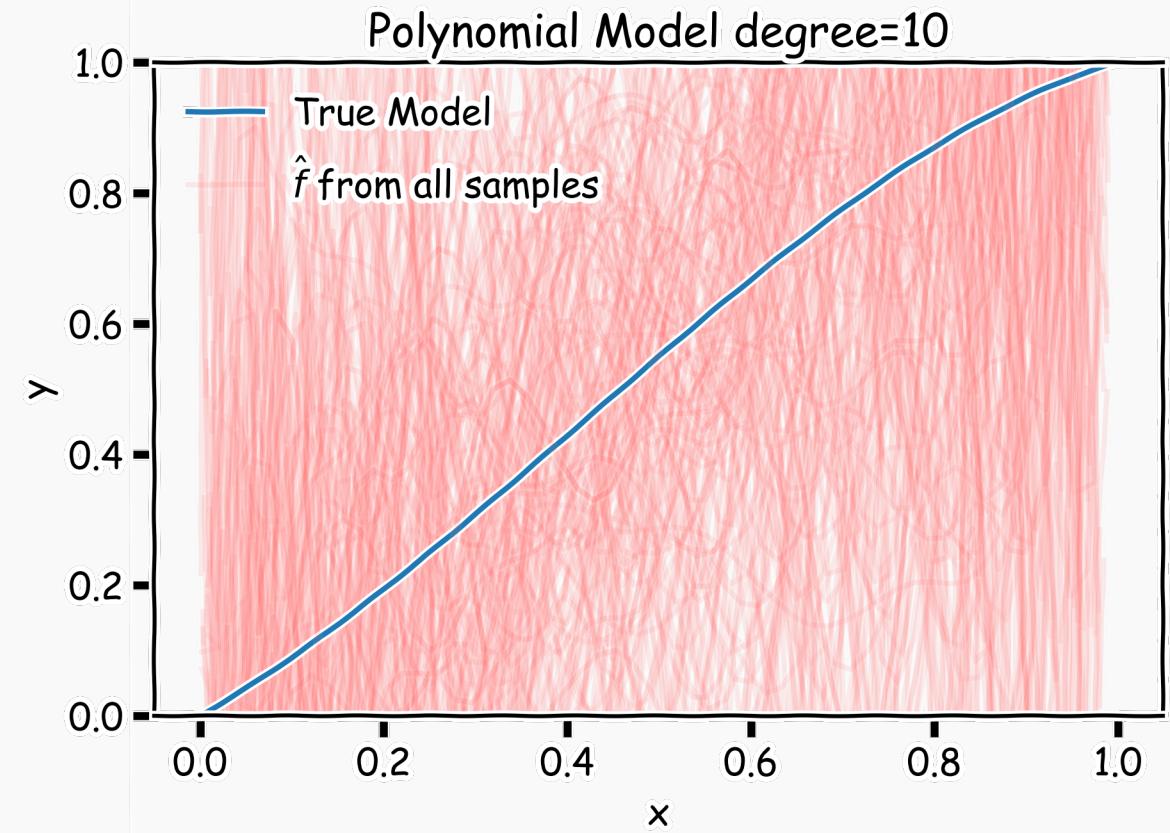
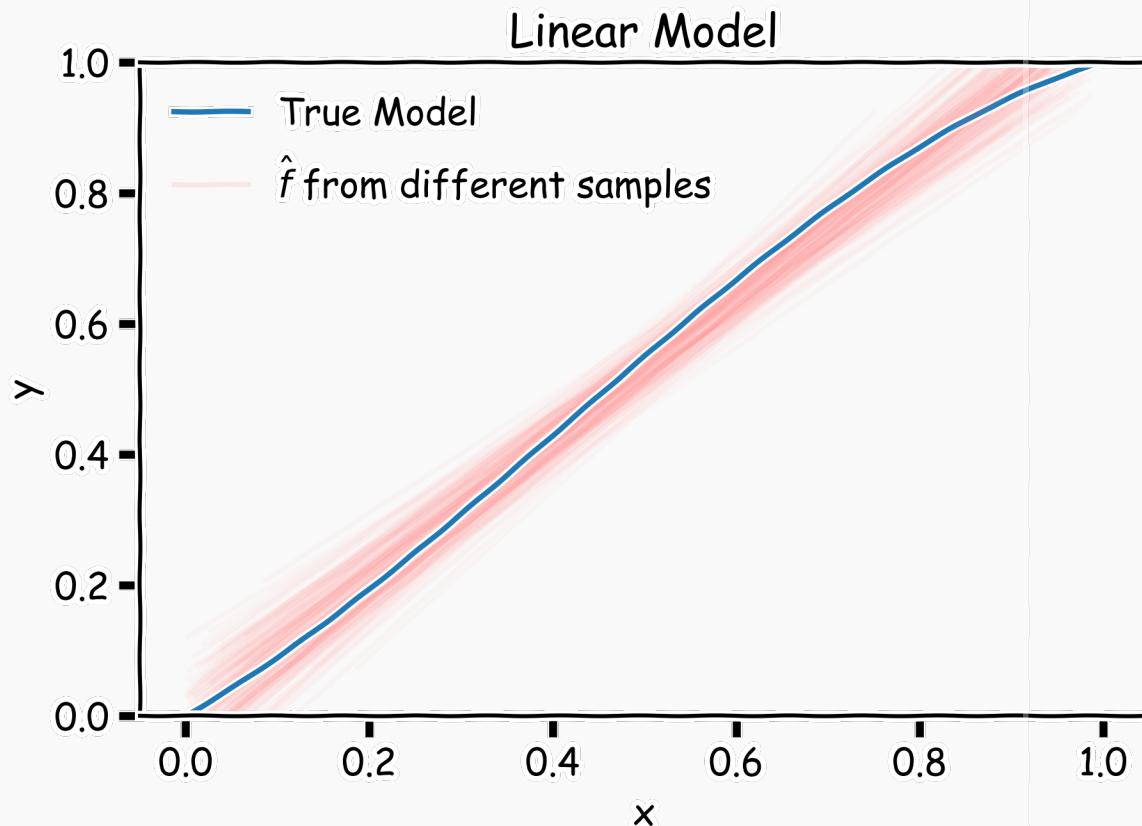
- Q&A from lecture 5:
  - Train/Validation/Test
  - Scaling
- Generalization Error, Bias Variance Tradeoff
- Regularization
  - Lasso and Ridge



# Bias vs Variance

**Left:** 2000 best fit straight lines, each fitted on a different 20 point training set.

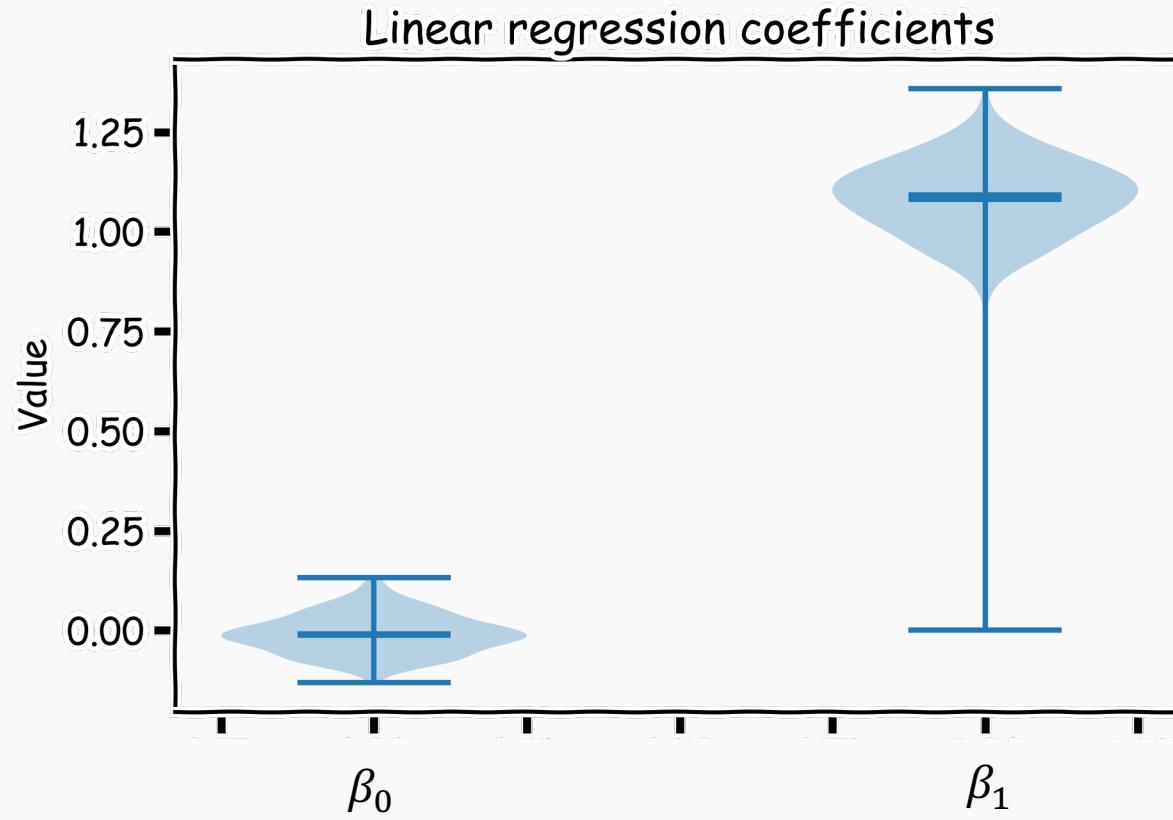
**Right:** Best-fit models using degree 10 polynomial



# Bias vs Variance

Left: Linear regression coefficients

Right: Poly regression of order 10 coefficients





**Model selection** is the application of a principled method to determine the complexity of the model, e.g., choosing a subset of predictors, choosing the degree of the polynomial model etc.

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**overfitting**

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## How do we discourage extreme values in the model parameters?

- there are
  - the feature space has high dimensionality
  - the polynomial degree is too high
  - too many cross terms are considered
- the coefficients values are too **extreme**

# Regularization



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Low model error.

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How do we combine these two objectives?

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$\lambda$  is the **regularization parameter**. It controls the relative importance between model error and regularization term

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$\lambda = 0$ : equivalent to simple linear regression

$\lambda = \infty$ : yields a model with  $\beta$ 's = 0

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Cross  
Validation!

# Regularization: **LASSO** Regression

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**Ridge** regression: minimize  $\mathcal{L}_{RIDGE}$  with respect to  $\beta$

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No need to regularize the bias,  $\beta_0$ , since is not connected to the predictors.

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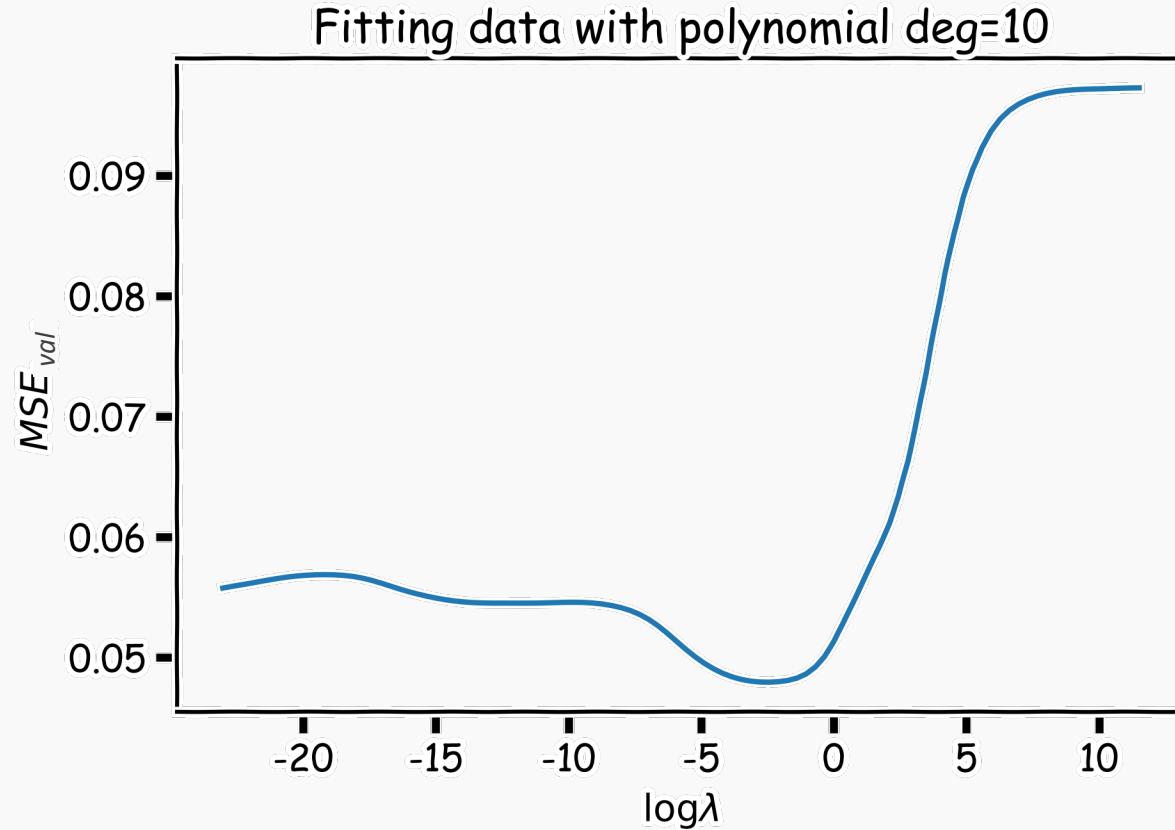
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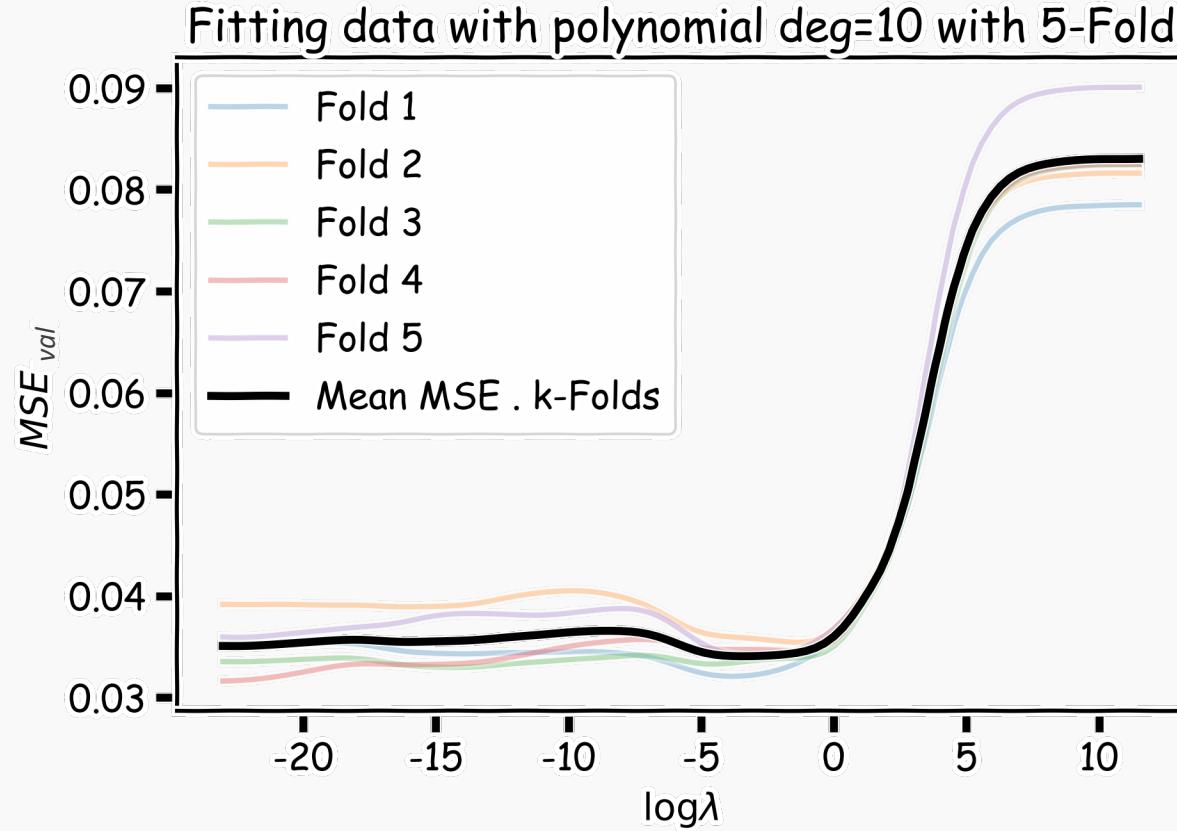
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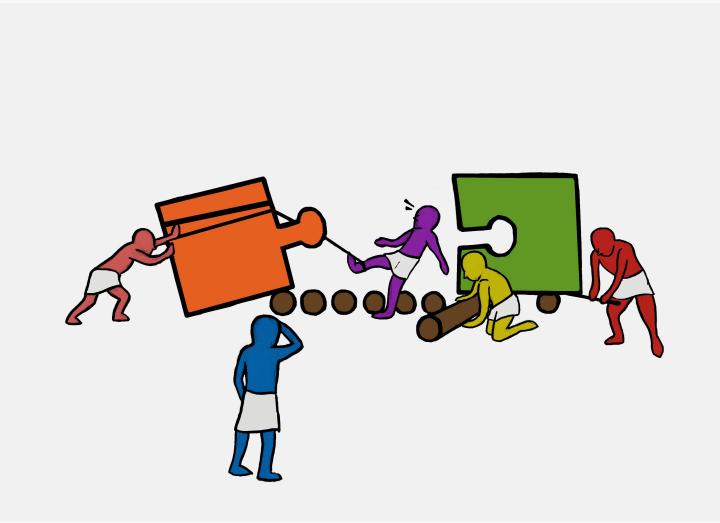
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# Ridge regularization with **cross-validation** only: step by step





A screenshot of a video player interface. The video shows three men in suits standing in front of flags. The man on the right is speaking. The video player includes a play button, a progress bar showing 0:01 / 1:29, a volume icon, and a share icon. The word "Tableau" is overlaid on the bottom left of the video frame. Below the video, there is a statistics about views: 66.6K views.

## Exercise: Simple Lasso and Ridge Regularization

The aim of this exercise is to understand **Lasso and Ridge regularization**.

For this we will plot the predictor vs coefficient as a horizontal bar chart. The graph will look similar to the one given below.

