


ISTA 421 + INFO 521
Introduction to Machine Learning

Lecture 5: Basis Functions, Cross Validation (CV), Model Selection (by CV), Regularization

Clayton T. Morrison
claytonm@email.arizona.edu
Harvill 437A
Phone 621-6609

5 September 2018

 1

Next Topics

- Non-linear response:
 - Basis Functions
- Assessing Generalization
 - Problems: Under or Overfitting
 - Assessment framework: Cross validation
- Model selection
 - Method 1: Using Cross Validation
- Regularized Least Squares
- Probability Review
 - Definitions and Probability Calculus
 - Expectation
 - Continuous probability
 - Distributions
 - Likelihood

The Normal Equations

For model: $t = f(x_1, \dots, x_k; w_0, \dots, w_k) = \sum_{i=0}^k x_i w_i$

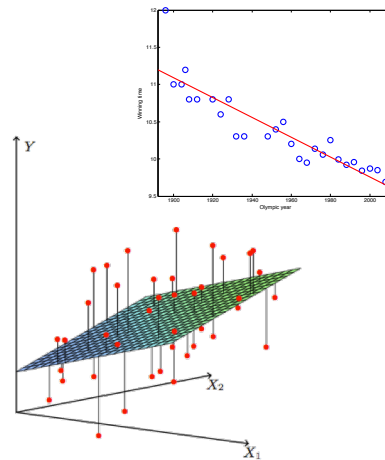
$$w_0 = \bar{t} - w_1 \bar{x}$$

$$w_1 = \frac{\overline{xt} - \bar{x}\bar{t}}{\overline{x^2} - (\bar{x})^2}$$

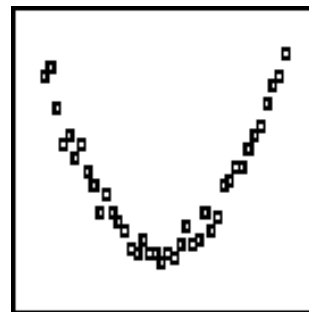
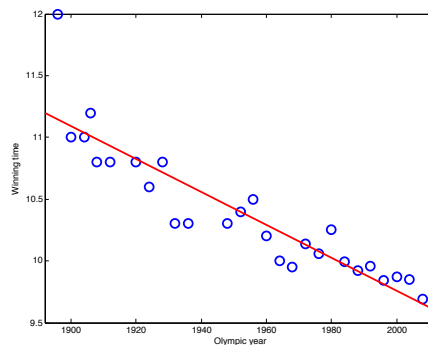
$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{t}$$

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1^\top \\ \mathbf{x}_2^\top \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_N^\top \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_N \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \\ \vdots \\ t_N \end{bmatrix}$$



Linear (in response) has its limit!

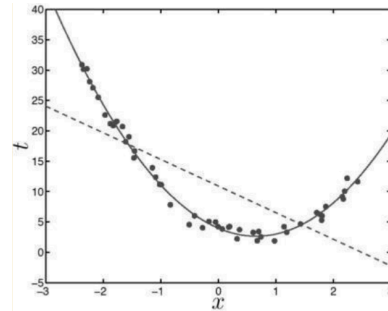


Nonlinear Response

- We can extend the power of linear LMS best fit to models that have a *non-linear response*.

$$f(x; \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} = w_0 + w_1 x + w_2 x^2$$

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_n \\ x_n^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_N & x_N^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

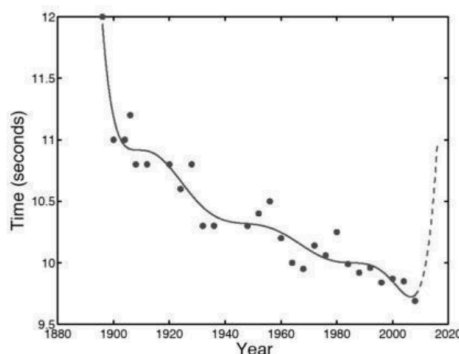


Fitting the parameters \mathbf{w} still works the same! The only difference is that we square the x values *at the input phase* (for each of the elements of the third column vector)



Generalize to Models of k^{th} -order Polynomials

$$f(x; \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{k=0}^K w_k x^k \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^0 & x_1^1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^K \\ x_2^0 & x_2^1 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_2^K \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ x_N^0 & x_N^1 & x_N^2 & \cdots & x_N^K \end{bmatrix}$$



Note: this is *not* creating more *independent* sources of information about individuals, but it *is* giving the model the capacity to consider *non-linear components* of what original inputs there are.

And we're still just learning **LINEAR COMBINATIONS** of those *components*



Linear Combination of *Basis Functions*

Projecting the Data (not just polynomials)

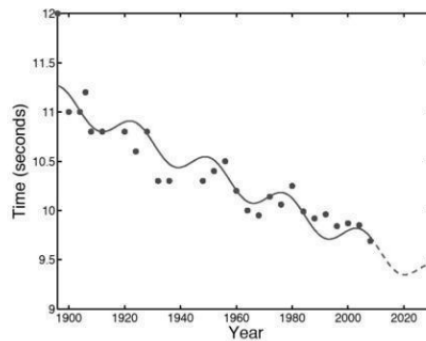
$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} h_1(x_1) & h_2(x_1) & \cdots & h_K(x_1) \\ h_1(x_2) & h_2(x_2) & \cdots & h_K(x_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ h_1(x_N) & h_2(x_N) & \cdots & h_K(x_N) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$h_1(x) = 1$$

$$h_2(x) = x$$

$$h_3(x) = \sin\left(\frac{x-a}{b}\right)$$

$$f(x; \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + w_1x + w_2 \sin\left(\frac{x-a}{b}\right).$$



Careful !!

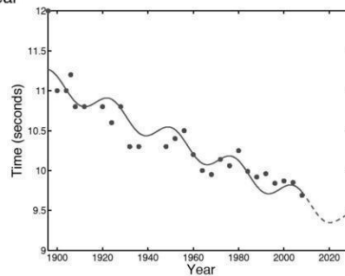
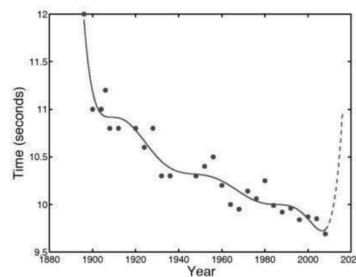
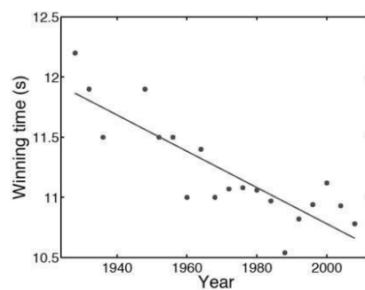
a and b must be **constants**

All *parameters* (as variables being adjusted) must be **linearly** combined



8

Which Model is better: 1st order, 8th order ?

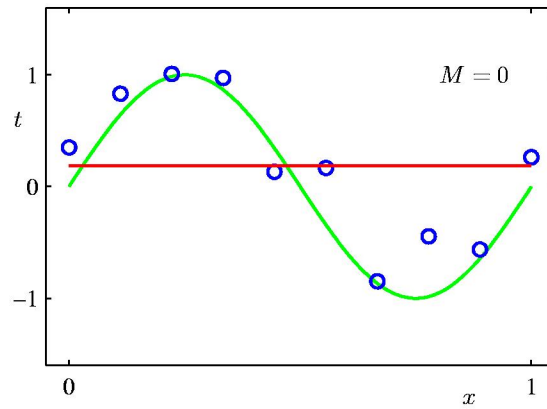


... periodic?



9

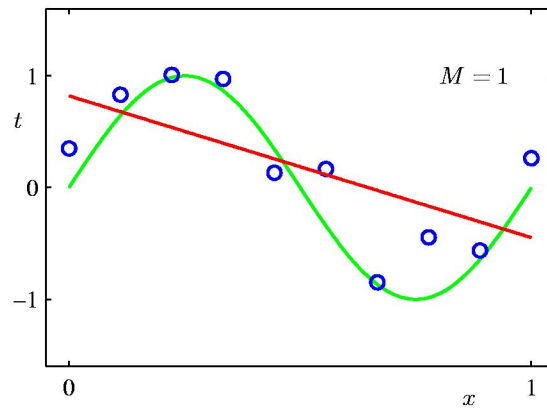
0th Order Polynomial



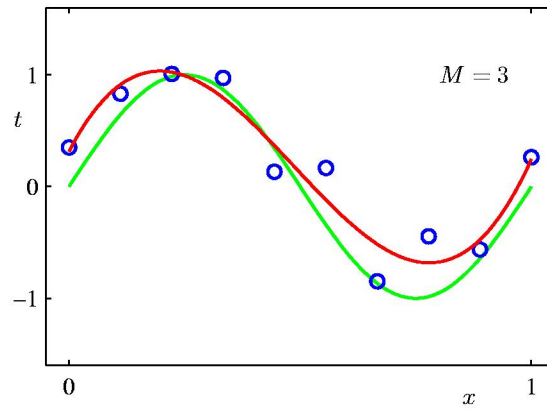
Underfitting



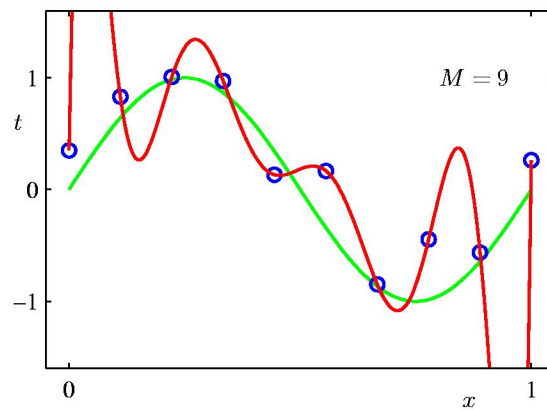
1st Order Polynomial



3rd Order Polynomial



9th Order Polynomial

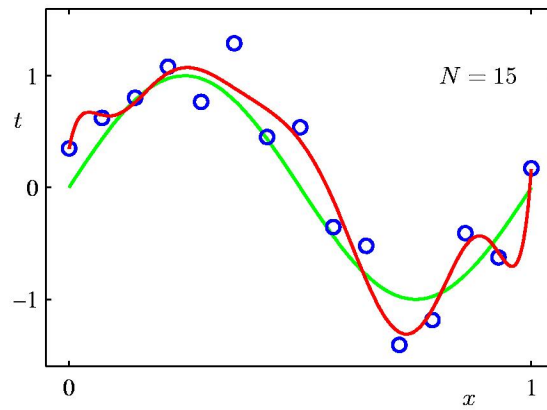


Overfitting

Data Set Size:

$$N = 15$$

9th Order Polynomial



More data helps constrain the model best fit

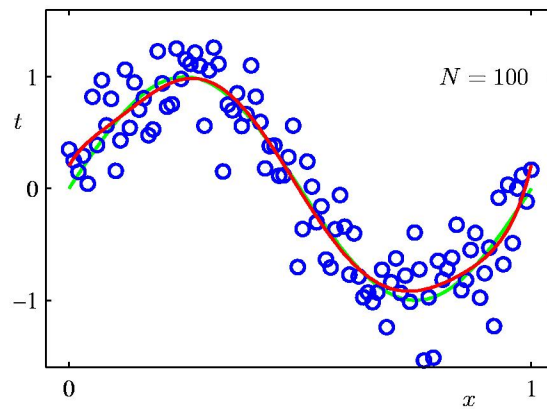


14

Data Set Size:

$$N = 100$$

9th Order Polynomial

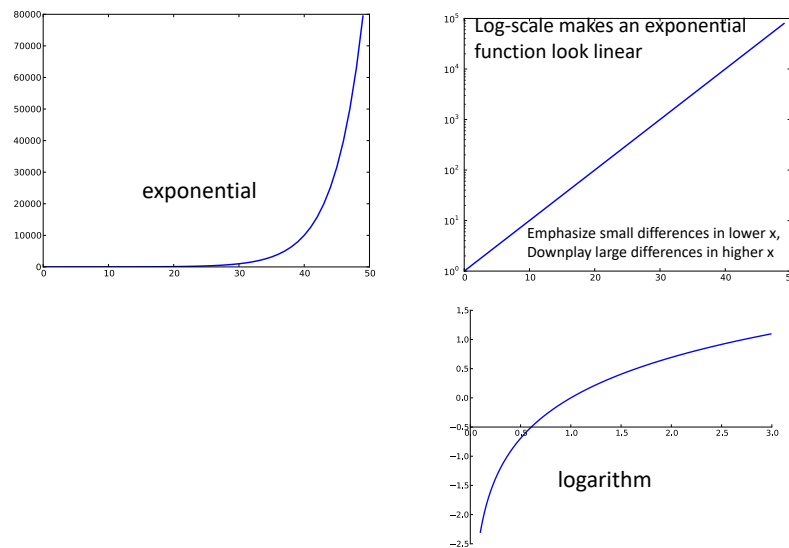


More data helps constrain the model best fit



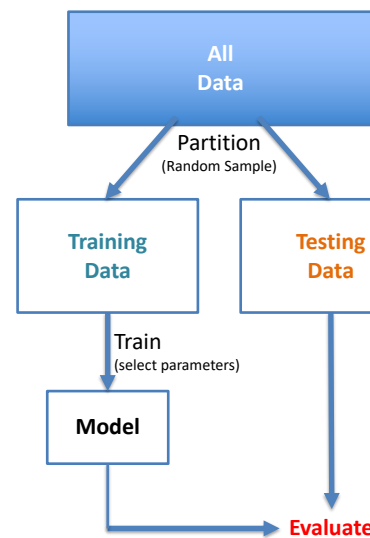
15

Sidenote: Log scale



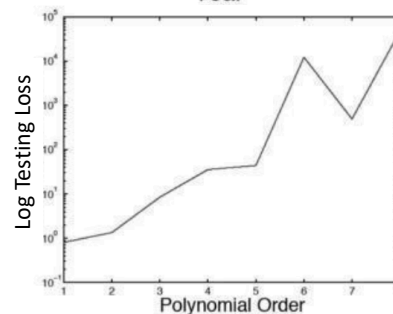
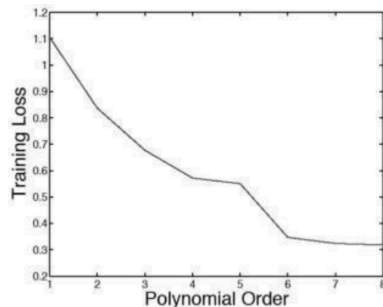
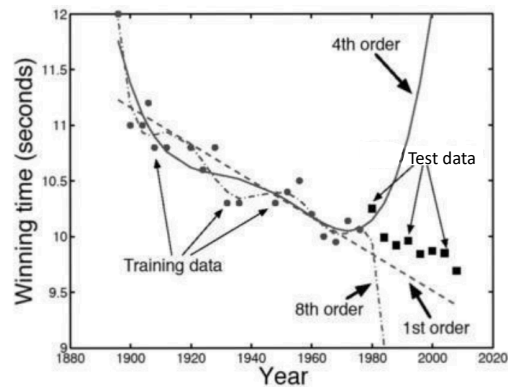
Training versus Testing

- The **Test Set** *CANNOT* influence *any* decisions about model parameter choices.
- The experimenter/designer (i.e., you) should **not** look at the Test Set until test (evaluation) time (after training).



Training versus Testing

- The **Test Set** **CANNOT** influence *any* decisions about model parameter choices.
- The experimenter/designer (i.e., you) should **not** look at the Test Set until test (evaluation) time (after training).



Cross-Validation

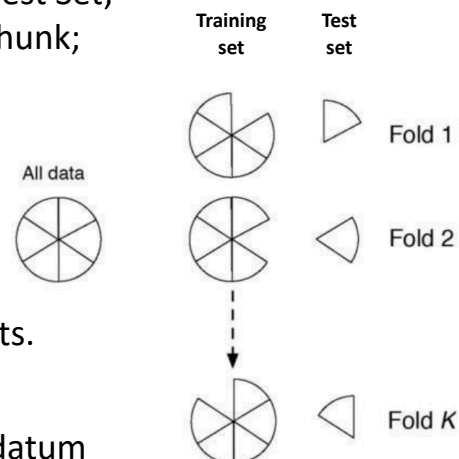
Randomly partition data into k chunks of (approx.) equal size; “hold out” one chunk as the Test Set; train on everything but that chunk; test with the chunk. Repeat this for all chunks.

What this does:

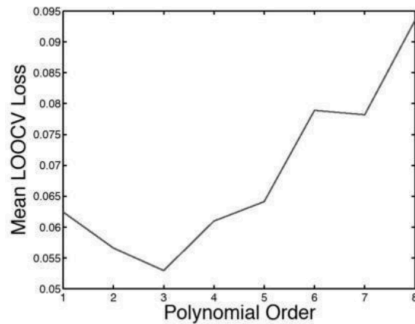
Estimates the error of a number of possible models trained on data subsets.

Leave-one-out-CV (LOOCV)

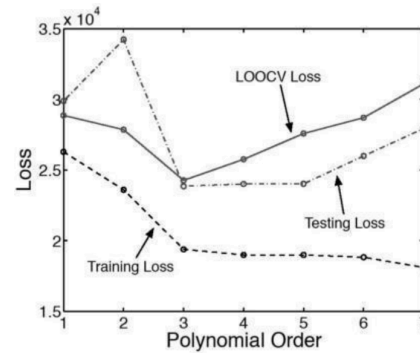
... same thing, but chunk = 1 datum



Model Selection: Using CV



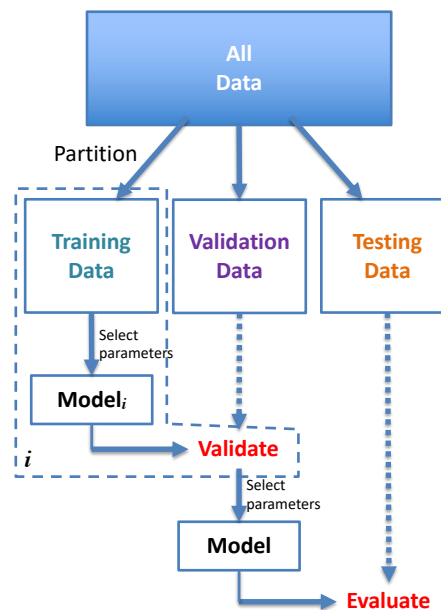
On Men's 100 meter data
Trying different orders of polynomials
for the models



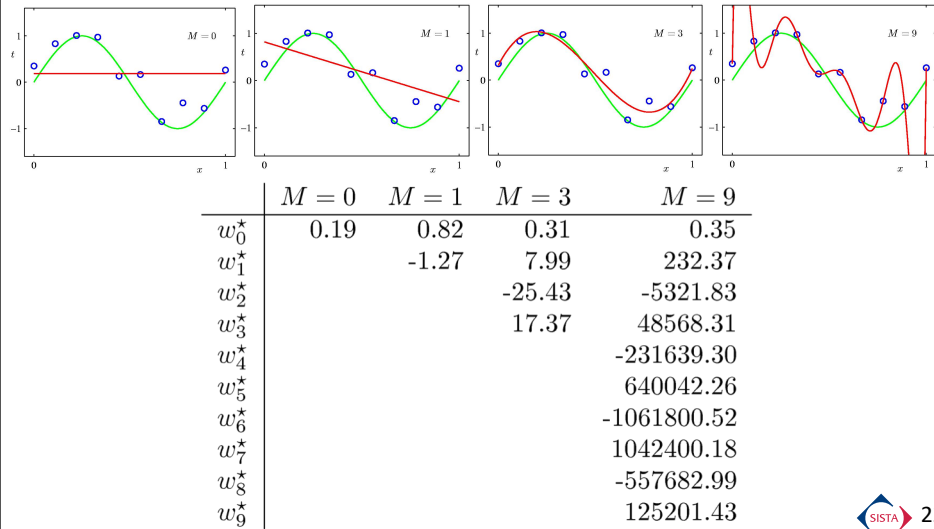
Study with artificial data (3rd order poly)
Sample size: 50
Test error based on 1000 indep samples

Validation Set

- In some cases, you need to select additional parameters based on trained model.
 - E.g., feature set selection
- In this case, need an additional, *independent* validation set.
- Logic is the same:
 - Training must be independent of validation
 - Validation must be independent of Test
- This could be "embedded" in a cross-validation framework



Polynomial Coefficients



22

Regularization

- Penalize large coefficient values: add magnitude of all of the weights (e.g., their sum) to the loss.

$$\sum_i w_i^2 = \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w} \quad \mathcal{L}' = \mathcal{L} + \lambda \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}' &= \mathcal{L} + \lambda \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w} \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \frac{2}{N} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{t} + \lambda \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w} \end{aligned}$$

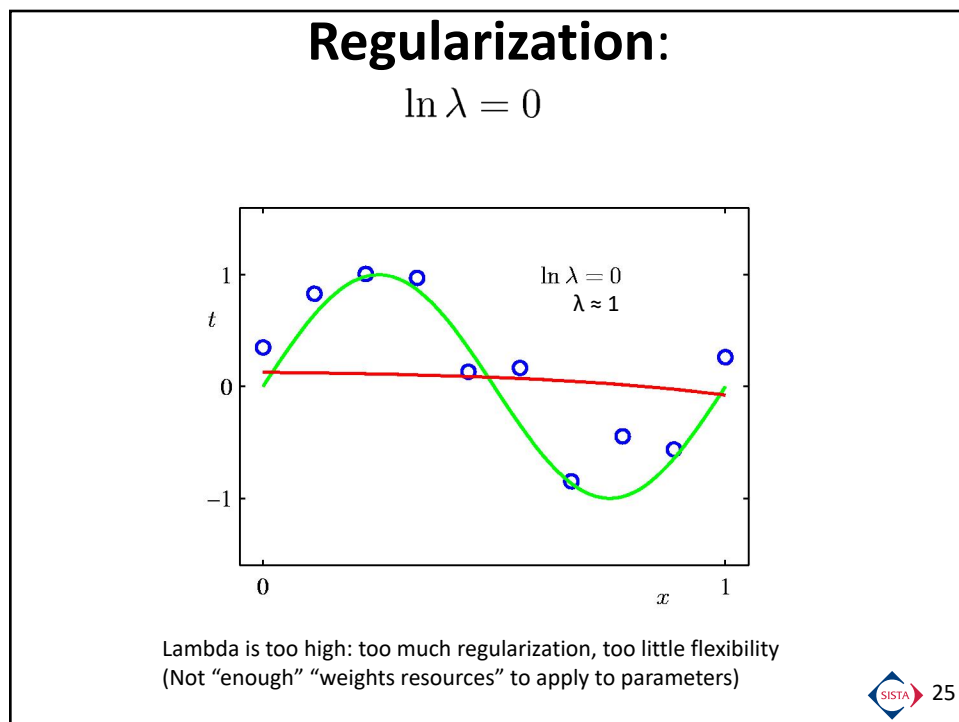
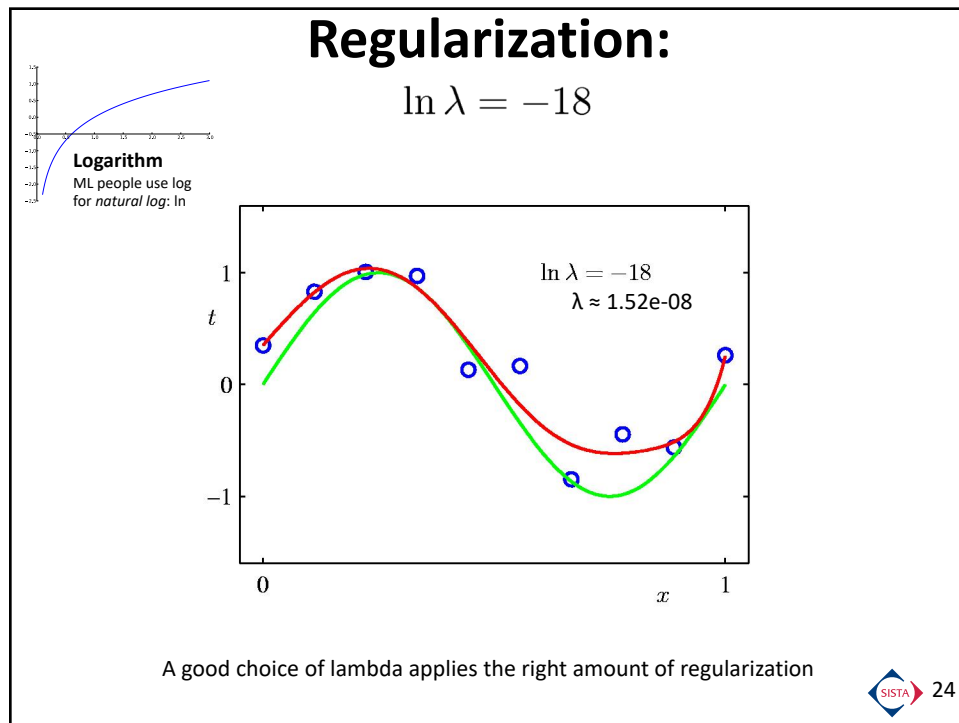
Note: We've already removed $\mathbf{t}^\top \mathbf{t}$ from \mathcal{L} because we'll be taking the derivative with respect to \mathbf{w} .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}'}{\partial \mathbf{w}} &= \frac{2}{N} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \frac{2}{N} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{t} + 2\lambda \mathbf{w} \\ \frac{2}{N} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \frac{2}{N} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{t} + 2\lambda \mathbf{w} &= 0 \\ (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} + N\lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{w} &= \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{t} \\ \hat{\mathbf{w}} &= (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} + N\lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{t} \end{aligned}$$

Including a regularization term also ensures the inverse matrix is non-singular (which happens when $\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X}$ has some columns that are colinear, or nearly so (leading to very large magnitude \mathbf{w} values); near colinearity is not uncommon in real data).

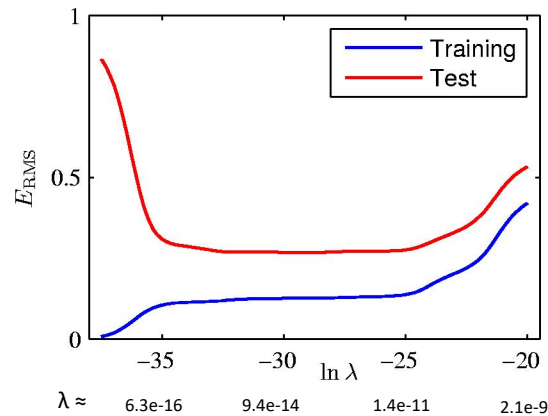


23



Regularization:

E_{RMS} vs. $\ln \lambda$



“Grid search” for best lambda. The lowest independent “Test” performance is guide to choose best lambda. NOTE: This is using the “test” data to help select a parameter (so really like a “validation” set); need another independent test set to evaluation generalization error.



26

Polynomial Coefficients

	$\lambda = 0$ $\ln \lambda = -\infty$	$\lambda = \text{very small}$ $\ln \lambda = -18$	$\lambda = 1$ $\ln \lambda = 0$
w_0^*	0.35	0.35	0.13
w_1^*	232.37	4.74	-0.05
w_2^*	-5321.83	-0.77	-0.06
w_3^*	48568.31	-31.97	-0.05
w_4^*	-231639.30	-3.89	-0.03
w_5^*	640042.26	55.28	-0.02
w_6^*	-1061800.52	41.32	-0.01
w_7^*	1042400.18	-45.95	-0.00
w_8^*	-557682.99	-91.53	0.00
w_9^*	125201.43	72.68	0.01

Under constrained
(Under regularized)

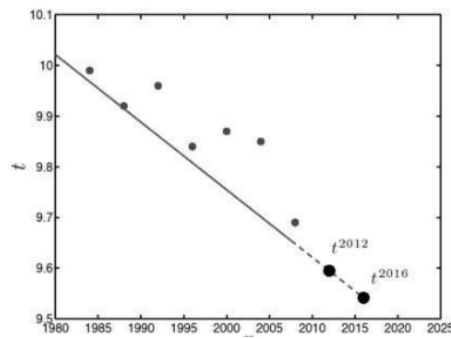
Over constrained
(Over regularized)



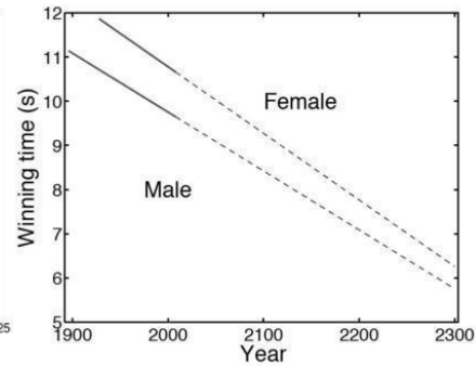
27

Predicting with a learned model

Prediction: $t_{new} = \hat{\mathbf{w}}^T \mathbf{x}_{new} = \sum_{i=0}^k x_{new,i} w_i$



2592: look out boys!



3000: -3.5 seconds ??!