# Regularized Linear Regression

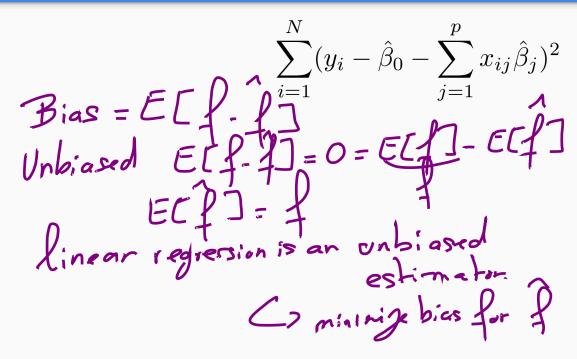
Shortcomings of Ordinary Linear Regression

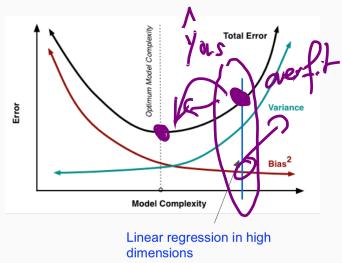
Ridge Regression

Lasso Regression

When to use each!

# Why Regularized Linear Regression?





## Linear Regression (another review)

We model the world as:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p + \epsilon$$

We estimate the model parameters by minimizing:

RSS = 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} x_{ij} \hat{\beta}_j)^2 = \begin{cases} \cos \text{ function} \end{cases}$$

(Linear Regression w/ Ridge (L2) Regularization)

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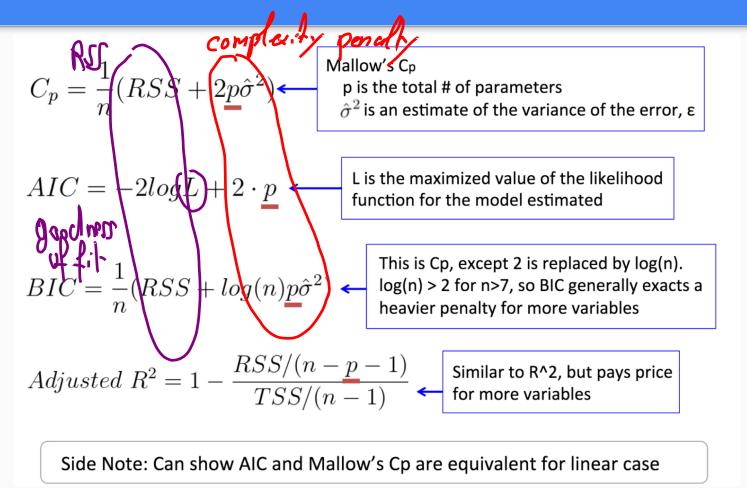
model the world as: 
$$Y=\beta_0+\beta_1X_1+\beta_2X_2+...+\beta_pX_p+\epsilon$$
 (same as before)

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 Did we see this before?

(the "regularization" parameter)

#### Yes: Subset Selection

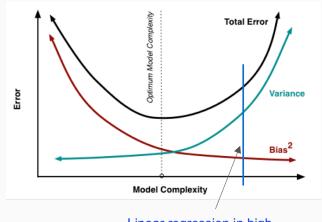


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What if we set the lambda equal to zero?  $\lambda = 0 \implies h$  SN/
What does the new term accomplish? built-in featurely selection
What happens to a features whose corresponding coefficient value (beta) is zero? Here disappear

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p x_{ij}\hat{\beta}_j)^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\beta}_i^2$$
 Notice, we do not penalize  $\hat{B}_0$ .

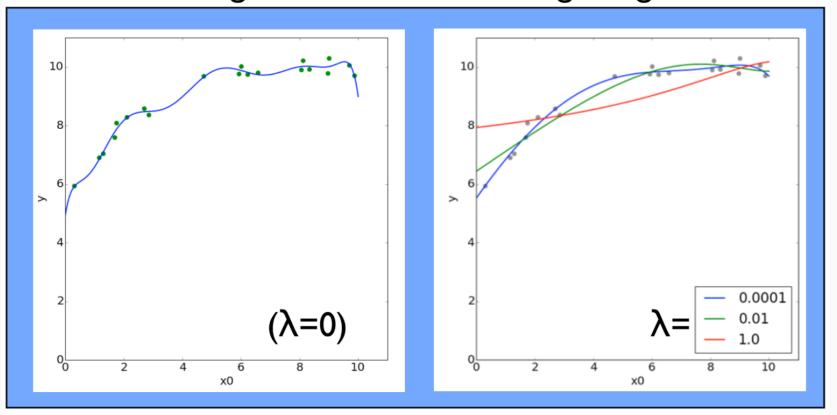
Changing lambda changes the amount that large coefficients are penalized.

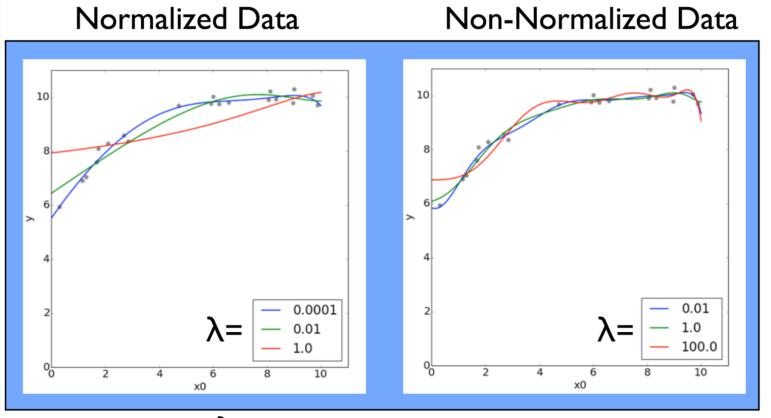
Increasing lambda increases the model's bias and decreases its variance



Linear regression in high dimensions







Single value for  $\lambda$  assumes features are on the same scale!!

#### LH550 Lasso Regression

(Linear Regression w/ Lasso (L1) Regularization)

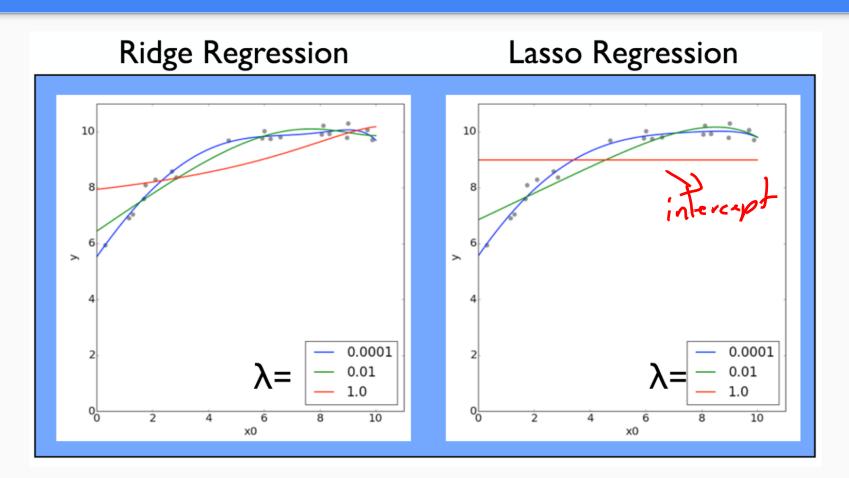
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We estimate the model parameters to minimizing:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N}(y_i-\hat{\beta}_0-\sum_{j=1}^{p}x_{ij}\hat{\beta}_j)^2+\lambda\sum_{i=1}^{p}|\hat{\beta}_i|$$
 (absolute value instead of squared)

(the "regularization" parameter)



#### Ridge vs Lasso

Which is better depends on your dataset!

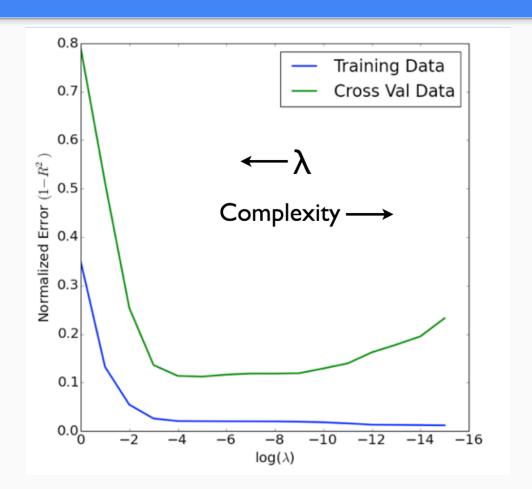
True sparse models will benefit from lasso; true dense models will benefit from ridge.

Ridge forces parameters to be small + Ridge is computationally easier because it is differentiable

Lasso tends to set coefficients exactly equal to zero

- This is useful as a sort-of "automatic feature selection" mechanism,
- leads to "sparse" models
- serves a similar purpose to stepwise features selection

#### Chose lambda via Cross-Validation



#### scikit-learn

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Classes:
  sklearn.linear model.LinearRegression(...)
  sklearn.linear_model.Ridge(alpha=my_alpha, ...)
  sklearn.linear model.Lasso(alpha=my alpha, ...)
All have these methods:
  fit(X, y)
  predict(X)
  score(X, y)
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