Introduction to Statistical Learning and Machine Learning

Chap 1 -Linear Regression(2)

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Main Content

1. Recap&Multiple Linear Regression
2. Subset selection and shrinkage methods (Ridge regression, Lasso and PLS regression);

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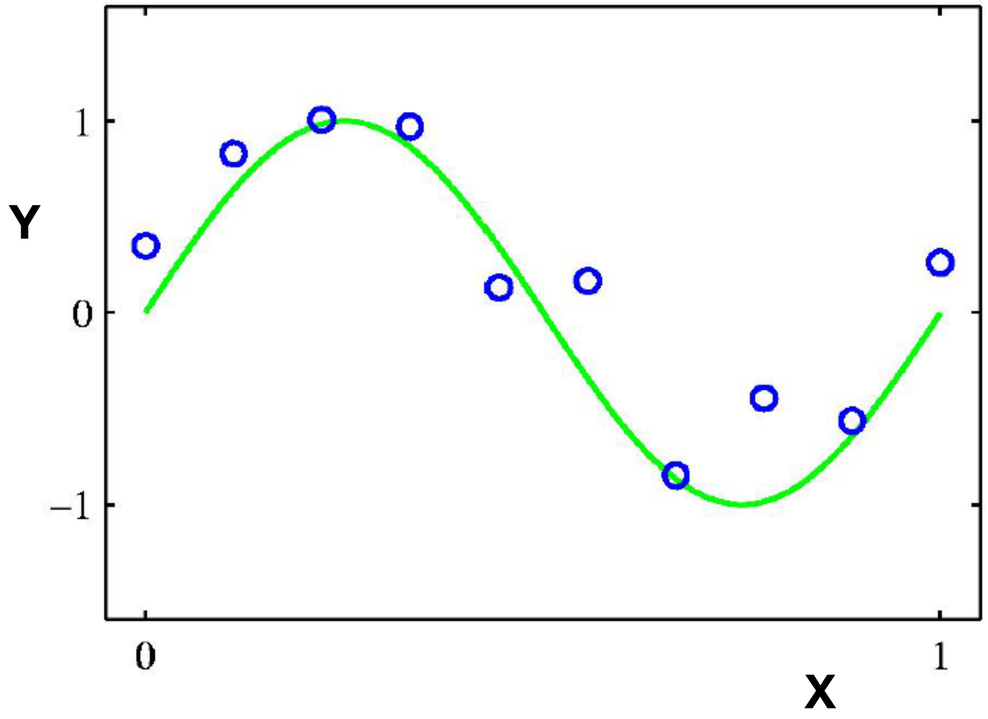
Recap&Multiple Linear Regression

- Multiple Linear Regression
  Sec 3.2 [James, 2013]

Simple Linear Regression



Circles are data points (i.e., training examples) Given
In green is the "true" curve that we don't know

Goal : We want to fit a curve to these points.

Key Questions:
(1)How do we parametrize the model ?
(2)What loss (objective) function should we use to judge the fit?
(3)How do we optimize fit to unseen test data (generalization)?

Training Set: $\mathcal{D} = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \cdots, (x_n, y_n)\}$

$$Y \approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 X.$$

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon.$$ mean-zero random error term.

Noise

A simple model typically does not exactly fit the data — lack of fit can be considered noise. Sources of noise:

-> Imprecision in data attributes (input noise)

-> Errors in data targets (mis-labeling)

-> Additional attributes not taken into account by data attributes, affect target values (latent variables)

-> Model may be too simple to account for data targets.

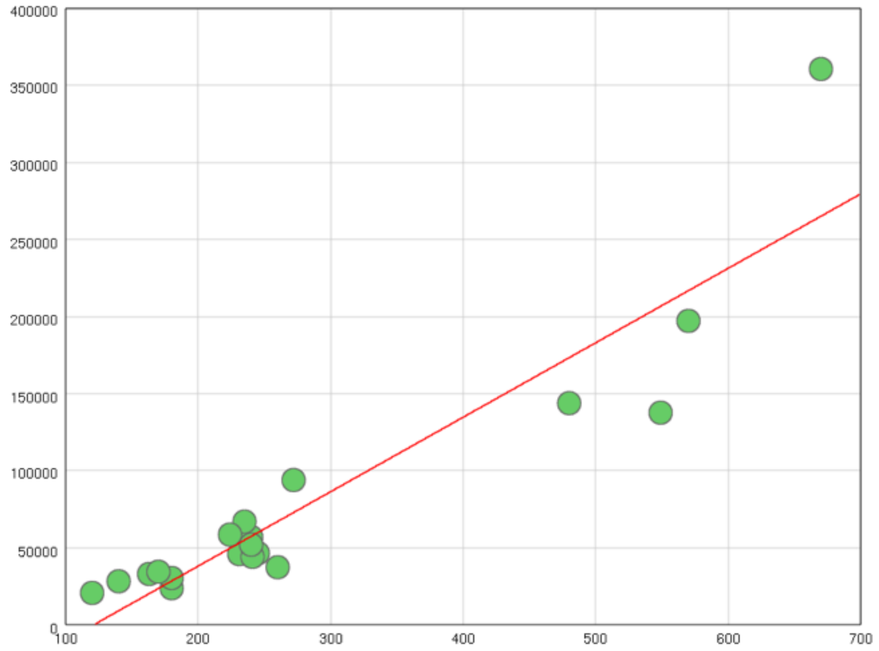
Optimizing the Objective (1)

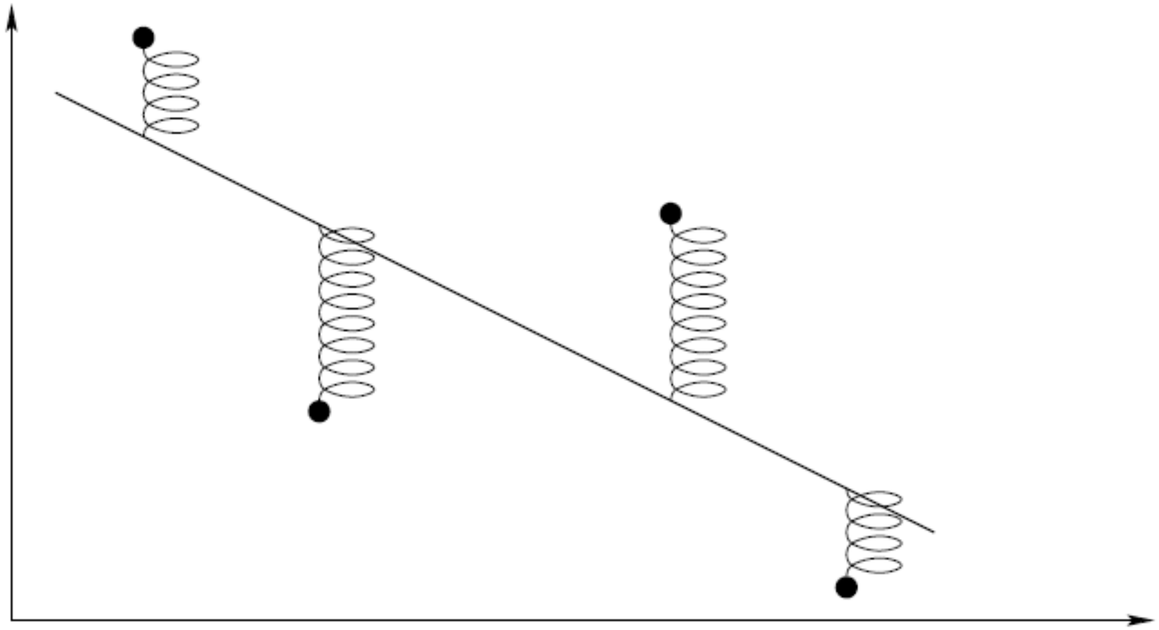
$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon.$$

Standard loss/cost/objective function measures the squared error between Y and $\hat{Y}$

$$l\left(y, \hat{y}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[y_i - \left(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i\right)\right]^2$$

How do we obtain the parameters in general?





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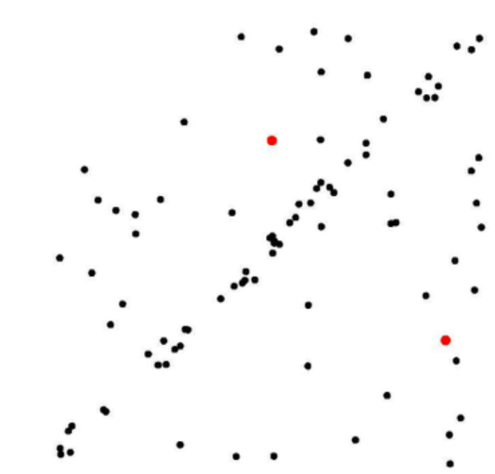

• **Select sample of m points at random**

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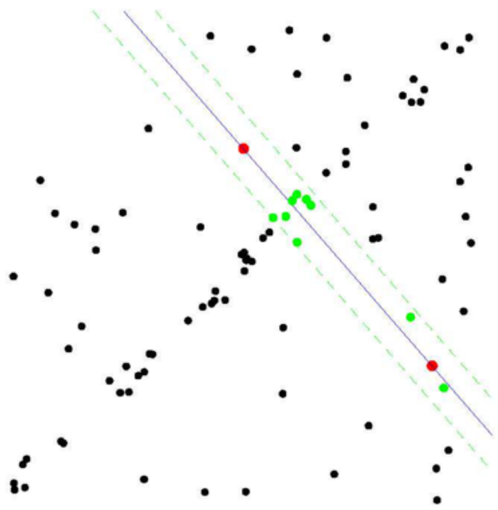
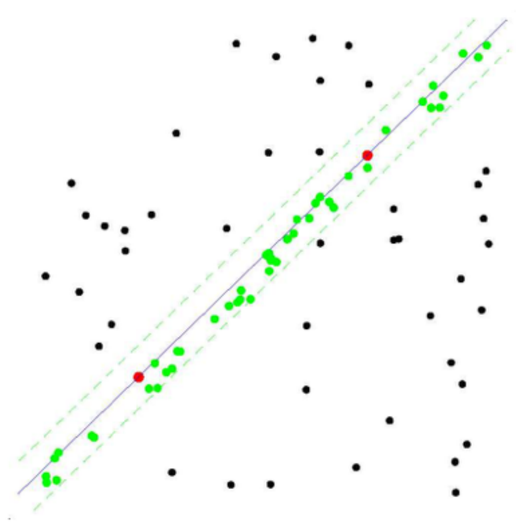


• Select sample of m points at random

• Calculate model parameters that fit the data in the sample

• Calculate error function for each data point

• **Select data that support current hypothesis**



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ALL-INLIER SAMPLE

RANSAC time complexity

$$t = k(t_M + \overline{m}_s N)$$

k ... number of samples drawn

N ... number of data points

t_M ... time to compute a single model

m_S ... average number of models per sample

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Optimizing the Objective (2)

1, Closed form solution

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x})^2},$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x},$$

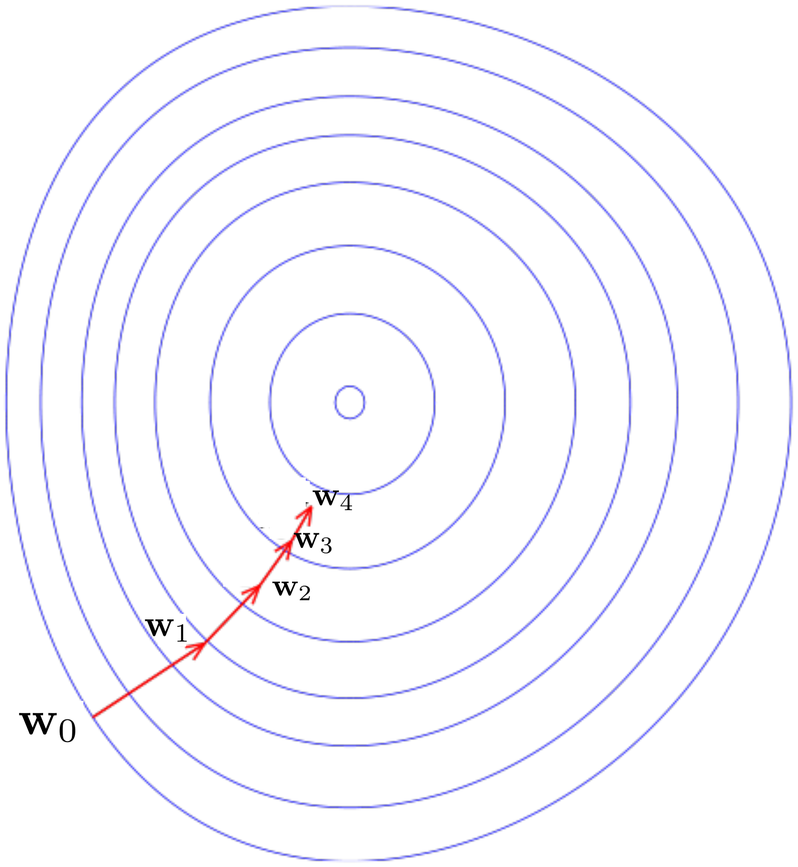
2, Most straightforward solution: gradient descent

(1) initialize **w** (e.g., randomly)
(2) repeatedly update **w** by gradient

$$\mathbf{w} = [\beta_0, \beta_1]^T$$

$$\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} - \lambda \frac{\partial l}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$$

λ is the learning rate



3, Two ways to generalize this for all examples in training set:

(1) Batch updates : sum or average updates across every example n , then change the parameter values

(2) Stochastic/online updates: update the parameters for each training case in turn, according to its own gradients

Insight of Linear Model

Polynomial Regression $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2 + \beta_3 x_i^3 + \ldots + \beta_d x_i^d + \epsilon_i$

Bias-Variance Decomposition

assume: $y_i = f(x_i) + \epsilon_i$ for some function f and assume we have a "leaner" that make a training set $\mathcal{D}$

$$\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \theta^2)$$

Then for a new example (x_i, y_i) the error averaged over training sets is

$$E[(y_i - \hat{f}(x_i))^2] = \text{Bias}[\hat{f}(x_i)]^2 + \text{Var}[\hat{f}(x_i)] + \theta^2$$

"Irreducible error": best we can hope for given the noise level.

Expected error due to having wrong model.

Where $\text{Bias}[\hat{f}(x_i)] = E[\hat{f}(x_i)] - f(x_i)$,

How sensitive is the model to the particular training set?

$$\text{Var}[\hat{f}(x_i)] = E[(\hat{f}(x_i) - E[\hat{f}(x_i)])^2]$$

Supervised Learning Pipeline (Prepare for the Projects)

1, Given a training set X and y, with i.i.d assumption (training and test data drawn from same distribution), if we have an explicit test set to approximate test error:

Data:
X, y, X_{test}, y_{test}

1. Train:
$model = fit(X, y)$

2. Predict test set labels
$\hat{y} = predict(model, X_{test})$

3. Evaluate
$error = diff(\hat{y}, y_{test})$

2, What if we don't have an explicit test set?

Possible training procedures if you only have a training set:

(1). Randomly split training set into "train" and "validate" set.

(2). Train model based on train set.

(3). Report validate set accuracy with this model.

$X = \begin{bmatrix} train \\ \cdots \\ validate \end{bmatrix}$ $y = \begin{bmatrix} train \\ \cdots \\ validate \end{bmatrix}$

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Why and How Baidu Cheated an Artificial Intelligence Test

Machine learning gets its first cheating scandal.

The sport of training software to act intelligently just got its first cheating scandal. Last month Chinese search company Baidu announced that its image recognition software had inched ahead of Google's on a standardized

Golden rule: this test set cannot influence training in any way.
If you violate golden rule, you can overfit to the test data。

What if we don't have an explicit test set?(1)

Possible training procedures if you only have a training set.

1.Randomly split training set into "train" and "validate" set.

2.Train 10 models based on train set (e.g., 10 different bases)

3.Choose one with highest accuracy on validate set.

4.Report validate set accuracy with this model.

We should be a little skeptical of this accuracy:
–We violated golden rule on validation set:
•Approximation of test error was used to choose model.
–But we probably not overfitting much: only 10 models considered.

1.Randomly split training set into "train" and "validate" set.

2.Train 1 billion models based on train set.

3.Choose one with highest accuracy on validate set.

4.Report validate set accuracy with this model.

•We should be a very skeptical of this accuracy:
–We badly violated golden rule on validation set:
•High chance of overfitting to validation set.

What if we don’t have an explicit test set?(2)

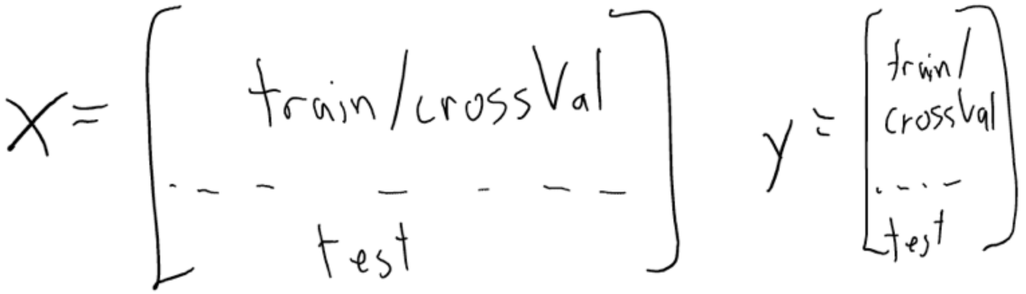
Possible training procedures if you only have a training set.

1. Randomly split training set into “train”, “validate”, and “test” set.
2. Train 1 billion models based on train set.
3. Choose one with highest accuracy on validate set.
4. Report test set accuracy with this model.

•We can trust this accuracy is reasonable.
–We might still overfit to validate set, but test set not used during training.

–Proper cross-validation procedure:

•Randomly split data into “train/crossValidate” and “test” set.
•Choose model with lowest cross-validation error on “train/crossValidate” set.
•Report error on “test” set which did not influence final model.



How to do Cross-Validation?

k-fold Cross Validation to estimate a tuning parameter λ

Arrange the training examples in a random order.

Divide the data into K roughly equal parts

1	2	3	4	5
Validation	Train	Train	Train	Train

for each $k = 1, 2, \ldots K$, fit the model with parameter λ to the other $K - 1$ parts, giving $\hat{\beta}^{-k}(\lambda)$ and compute its error in predicting the kth part:

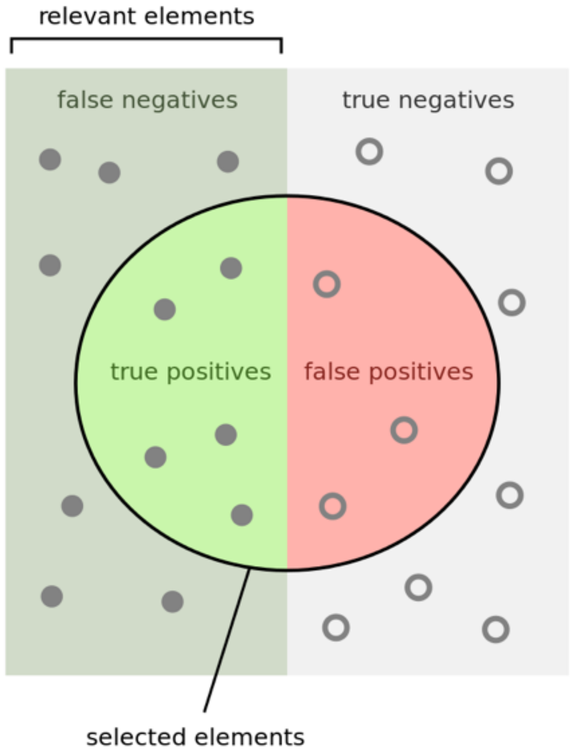
$E_k(\lambda) = \sum_{i \in kth\ part} (y_i - \mathbf{x}_i \hat{\beta}^{-k}(\lambda))^2$.

This gives the cross-validation error

$$CV(\lambda) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^{K} E_k(\lambda)$$

do this for many values of λ and choose the value of λ that makes $CV(\lambda)$ smallest.

Errors of Different Kinds

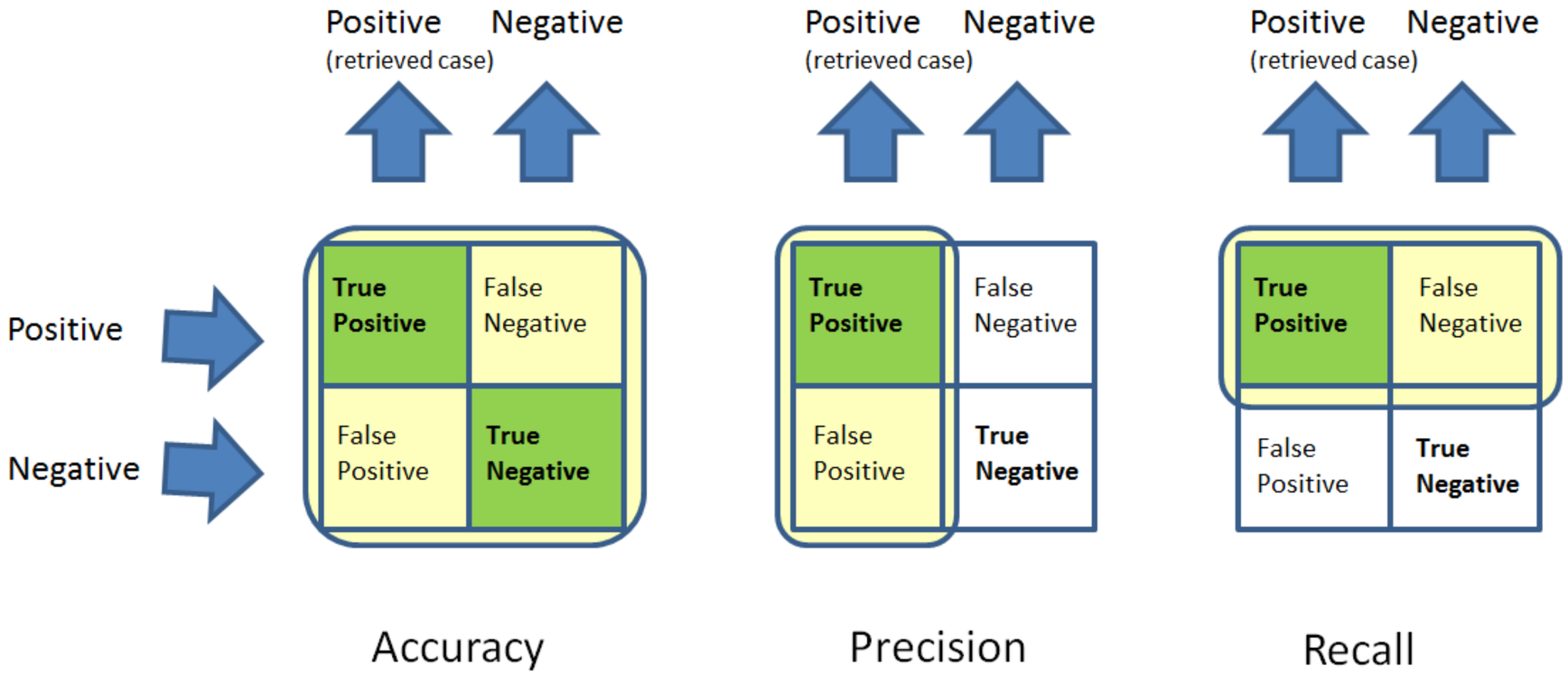


How many selected items are relevant?

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{\text{true positives}}{\text{true positives} + \text{false positives}}$$

How many relevant items are selected?

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{\text{true positives}}{\text{true positives} + \text{false negatives}}$$



Accuracy Precision Recall

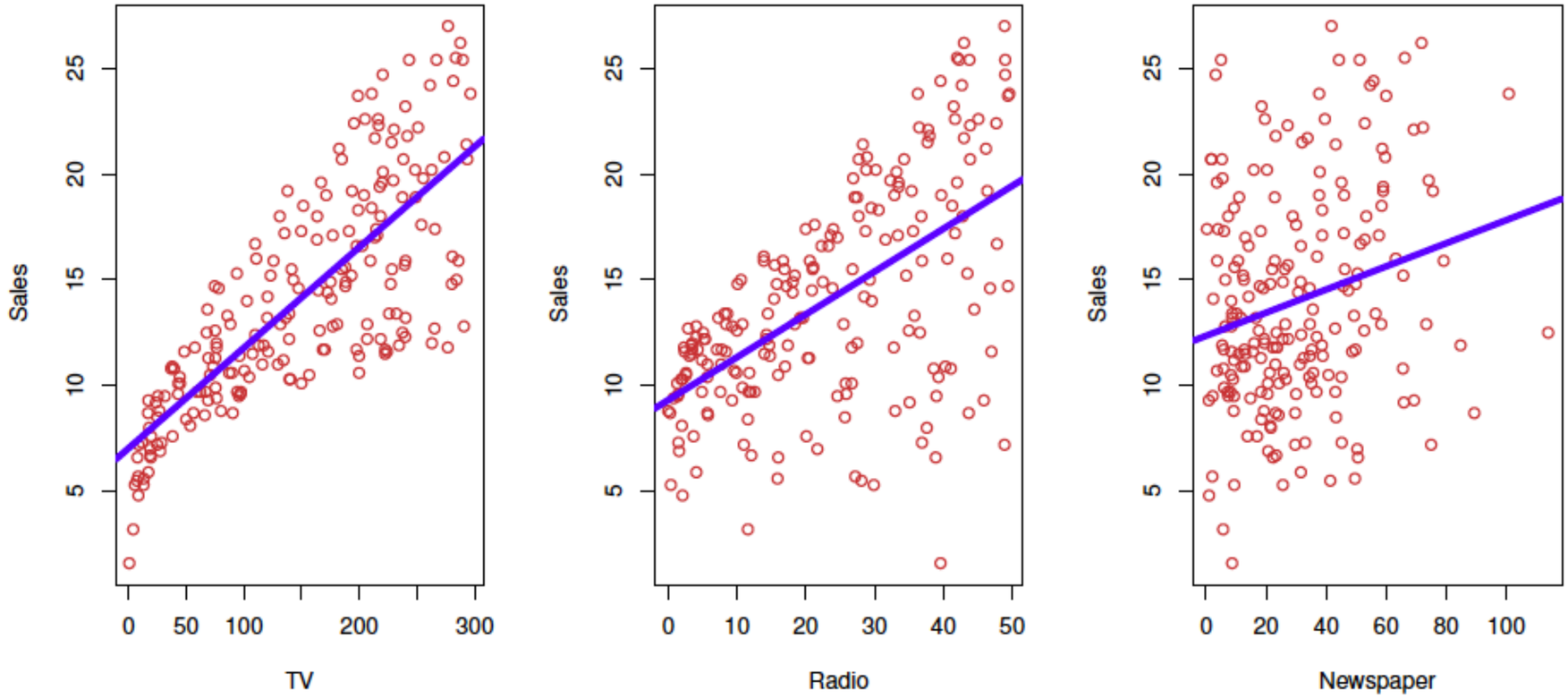
真实情况（ground-truth）	预测结果	
	正例	反例
正例	TP（真正例）	FN（假反例）
反例	FP（假正例）	TN（真反例）

Confusion Matrix

Multiple Linear Regression

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

$$\texttt{sales} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \texttt{TV} + \beta_2 \times \texttt{radio} + \beta_3 \times \texttt{newspaper} + \epsilon.$$



Interpreting Regression Coefficients

- The ideal scenario is when the predictors are uncorrelated --- a balanced design:

  - Each coefficient can be estimated and tested separately.

  - Interpretations such as "a unit change in X_j is associated with a β_j change in Y , while all the other variables stay fixed", are possible.

- Correlations amongst predictors cause problems:

  - The variance of all coefficients tends to increase, sometimes dramatically

  - Interpretations become hazardous --- when X_j changes, everything else changes.

Multiple Linear Regression

Sec 3.2 of “The Elements of Statistical Learning”

$$X^T = (X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_p), \qquad f(X) = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{p} X_j \beta_j.$$

RSS denotes the **empirical risk** over the training set. It doesn't assure the predictive performance over all inputs of interest.

Least squares to minimize the residual sum of squares:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{RSS}(\beta) &= \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - f(x_i))^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Big(y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} x_{ij}\beta_j \Big)^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathrm{RSS}(\beta) = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta).$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathrm{RSS}}{\partial \beta} = -2\mathbf{X}^T(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathrm{RSS}}{\partial \beta \partial \beta^T} = 2\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}.$$

Note that: For a unique solution, the matrix X^TX must be full rank.

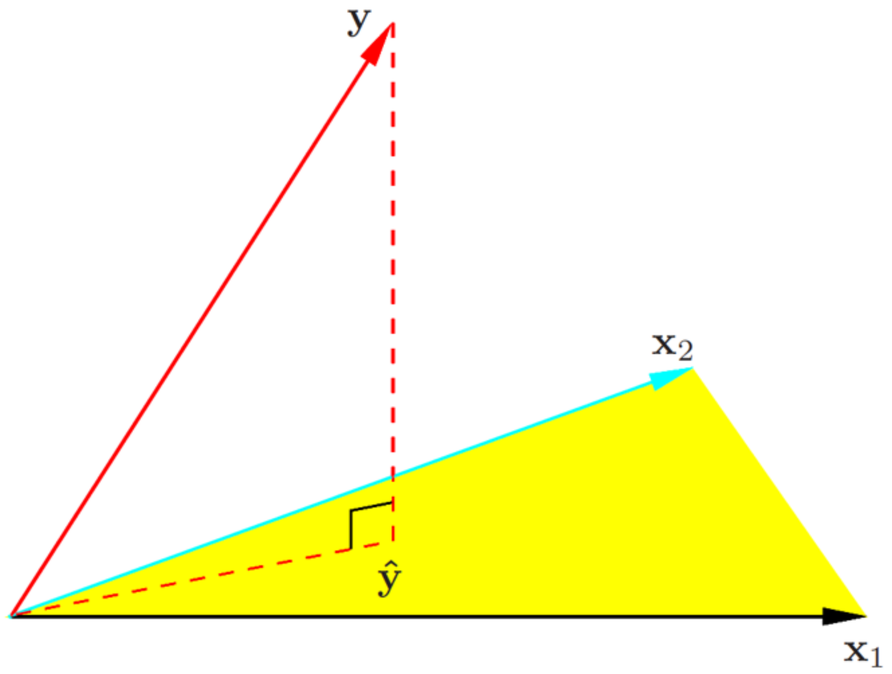
$$\mathbf{X}^T(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta) = 0$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y}.$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y},$$

Orthogonal Projection of Y on the space spanned by the columns of X.

Projection (Hat) matrix: $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T$



Geometric interpretation.

Some Important Questions of Multiple Linear Regression

- Is at least one of the predictors $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_p$ useful in predicting the response?

F-statistic: $$F = \frac{(\mathrm{TSS} - \mathrm{RSS})/p}{\mathrm{RSS}/(n-p-1)} \sim F_{p,n-p-1}$$

Hypothesis test

one parameter : t-test

two or more parameters: F-test

- How well does the model fit the data?

$$\mathrm{RSE} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-p-1}\mathrm{RSS}}, \quad R^2 = \mathrm{Cor}(Y, \hat{Y})^2$$

p-values considered harmful (page 212-213, Murphy's book)

Summary of Linear Model

Optional subtitle

- Despite its simplicity, the linear model has distinct advantages in terms of its interpretability and often shows good predictive performance.
- Generalizations of the Linear Model:
  - Classification problems: logistic regression, support vector machines
  - Non-linearity: kernel smoothing, splines and generalized additive models; nearest neighbor methods.
  - Interactions: Tree-based methods, bagging, random forests and boosting (these also capture non-linearities);
  - Regularized fitting: Ridge regression and lasso;

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Linear Model Selection and Regularisation

—ref: Chap 6.1, 6.2, [James,2013]

1.Subset Selection;

2.Shrinkage Methods

- Ridge Regression
- The Lasso

We need Alternatives instead of Least Squares

Optional subtitle

- Prediction Accuracy: especially when p > n, to control the variance. [Example: homework]
- Model interpretability: By removing irrelevant features —that is, by setting the corresponding coefficient estimates to zero— we can obtain a model that is more easily interpreted.

Three methods to perform feature selection:

- Subset Selection. We identify a subset of the ***p*** predictors that we believe to be related to the response. We then fit a model using least squares on the reduced set of variables.
- Shrinkage. We fit a model involving all ***p*** predictors, but the estimated coefficients are shrunken towards zero relative to the least squares estimates. This shrinkage (also known as regularization) has the effect of reducing variance and can also perform variable selection.
- Dimension Reduction. We project the p predictors into a M-dimensional subspace, where M < p. This is achieved by computing M different linear combinations, or projections, of the variables. Then these M projections are used as predictors to t a linear regression model by least squares.

Subset Selection — Best Subset Selection

also ref Chap 3.3 [Hastie 2011]

Best Subset Selection

1. Let $\mathcal{M}_0$ denote the *null model*, which contains no predictors. This model simply predicts the sample mean for each observation.
2. For $k = 1, 2, \ldots p$:
   (a) Fit all $\binom{p}{k}$ models that contain exactly k predictors.
   (b) Pick the best among these $\binom{p}{k}$ models, and call it $\mathcal{M}_k$. Here *best* is defined as having the smallest RSS, or equivalently largest R^2.
3. Select a single best model from among $\mathcal{M}_0, \ldots, \mathcal{M}_p$ using cross-validated prediction error, C_p (AIC), BIC, or adjusted R^2.

Stepwise Selection

- For computational reasons, best subset selection cannot be applied with very large p. *Why not?*
- Best subset selection may also suffer from statistical problems when p is large: larger the search space, the higher the chance of finding models that look good on the training data, even though they might not have any predictive power on future data.
- Thus an enormous search space can lead to *overfitting* and high variance of the coefficient estimates.
- For both of these reasons, *stepwise* methods, which explore a far more restricted set of models, are attractive alternatives to best subset selection.

Forward Stepwise Selection

- Forward stepwise selection begins with a model containing no predictors, and then adds predictors to the model, one-at-a-time, until all of the predictors are in the model.

1. Let $\mathcal{M}_0$ denote the *null* model, which contains no predictors.
2. For $k = 0, \ldots, p-1$:
   - 2.1 Consider all $p-k$ models that augment the predictors in $\mathcal{M}_k$ with one additional predictor.
   - 2.2 Choose the *best* among these $p-k$ models, and call it $\mathcal{M}_{k+1}$. Here *best* is defined as having smallest RSS or highest R^2.
3. Select a single best model from among $\mathcal{M}_0, \ldots, \mathcal{M}_p$ using cross-validated prediction error, C_p (AIC), BIC, or adjusted R^2.

Backward Stepwise Selection

- Backward stepwise selection begins with the full least squares model containing all p predictors, and then iteratively removes the least useful predictor, one-at-a-time.

1. Let $\mathcal{M}_p$ denote the *full* model, which contains all p predictors.
2. For $k = p, p-1, \ldots, 1$:
   - 2.1 Consider all k models that contain all but one of the predictors in $\mathcal{M}_k$, for a total of $k-1$ predictors.
   - 2.2 Choose the *best* among these k models, and call it $\mathcal{M}_{k-1}$. Here *best* is defined as having smallest RSS or highest R^2.
3. Select a single best model from among $\mathcal{M}_0, \ldots, \mathcal{M}_p$ using cross-validated prediction error, C_p (AIC), BIC, or adjusted R^2.

Choosing the Optimal Model

1, AIC, BIC, Cp, and adjusted R2;

- C_p, AIC, and BIC all have rigorous theoretical justifications
- 该课程对此不做要求

2, Cross-Validation.

- Cross Validation has an advantage relative to AIC, BIC, Cp, and adjusted R2, in that it provides a direct estimate of the test error, and makes fewer assumptions about the true underlying model.
- 需要自己动手实现相应的代码。

Shrinkage Methods(1)

- Ridge Regression

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(y_i-\beta_0-\sum_{j=1}^{p}\beta_j x_{ij}\right)^2+\lambda\sum_{j=1}^{p}\beta_j^2=\mathrm{RSS}+\lambda\sum_{j=1}^{p}\beta_j^2,$$

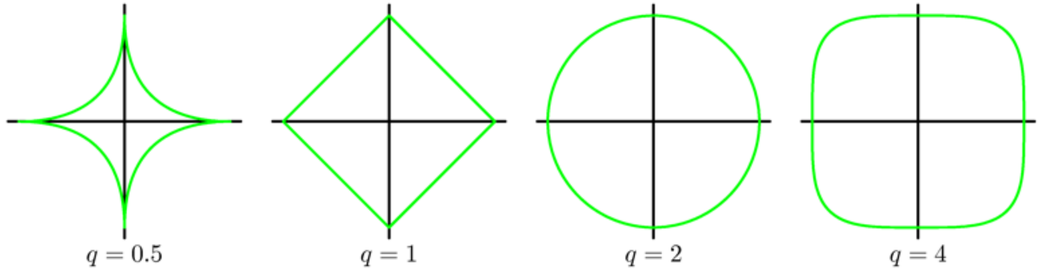
where $\lambda \geq 0$ is a *tuning parameter*, to be determined separately.

- Lasso

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(y_i-\beta_0-\sum_{j=1}^{p}\beta_j x_{ij}\right)^2+\lambda\sum_{j=1}^{p}|\beta_j| \ =\mathrm{RSS}+\lambda\sum_{j=1}^{p}|\beta_j|.$$

Shrinkage Methods in Matrix Form

$$\underset{\beta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \parallel Y - X\beta \parallel_2^2 + \lambda \parallel \beta \parallel_q$$



q=0, L_0-norm; —> finding the minimiser is NP-hard computational problem. (the Eq. is nonconvex).

- L_0-norm has closed form solution [1].
- it is defined in Eq(6.10) of textbook. i.e., $\parallel \beta \parallel_0 = \sharp\sigma(\beta)$, $\sharp$ stands for cardinality; $\sigma(\beta)$ is the support of β

q<1, **hard-thresholding**

q=1, L_1-norm —> Lasso (convex), a.k.a., **soft-thresholding**.

q<=1 used for outlier detection [2,3].

q=2, L_2-norm —> Ridge Regression (convex) $\|\beta\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j{}^2}$.

Note: (1) tuning the parameter λ is very important.

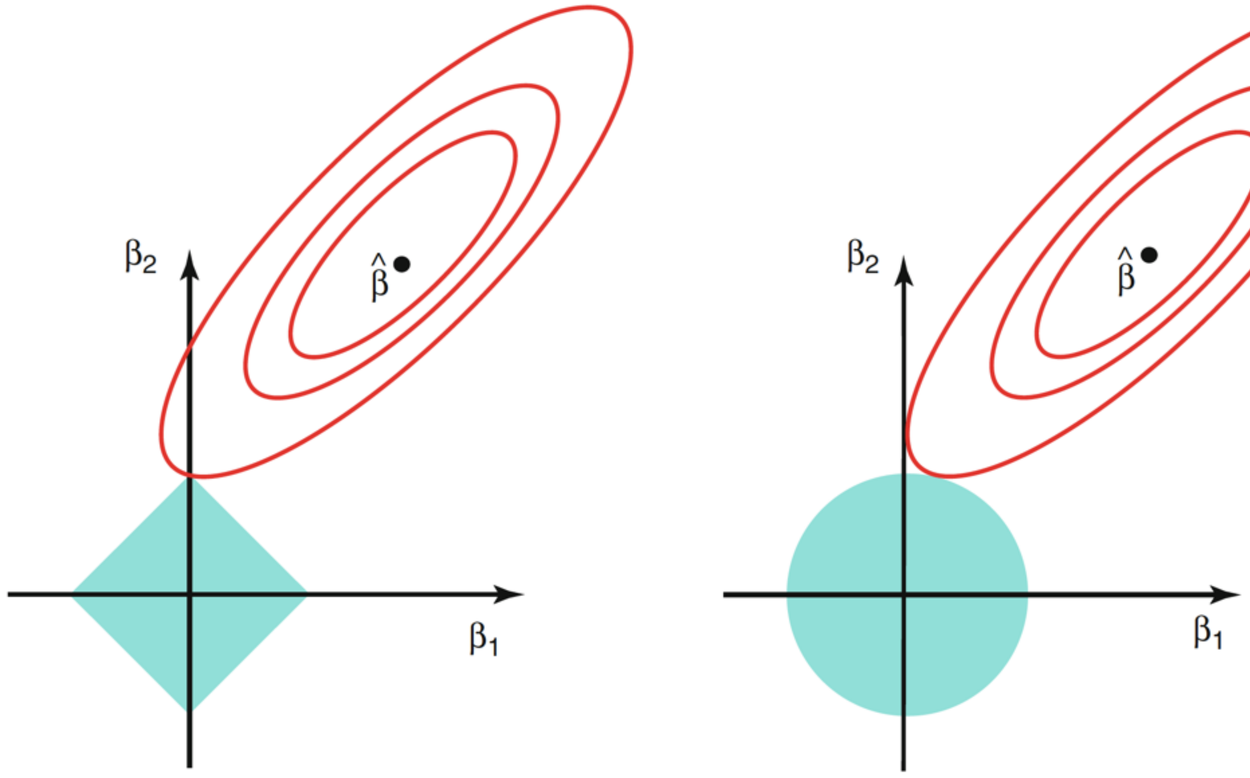
$$\parallel \beta \parallel_q = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{p} |\beta_i|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

[1] Mila Nikolova, Description of the minimizers of least squares regularized with ℓ0-norm. Uniqueness of the global minimizer, SIAM J. IMAGING SCIENCE 2013.

[2] Yiyuan She, and Art B. Owen, Outlier Detection Using Nonconvex Penalized Regression, 2011. Journal of the American Statistical Association

[3] Yanwei Fu et al. Robust Subjective Visual Property Prediction from Crowdsourced Pairwise Labels. IEEE Transaction on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, 2016

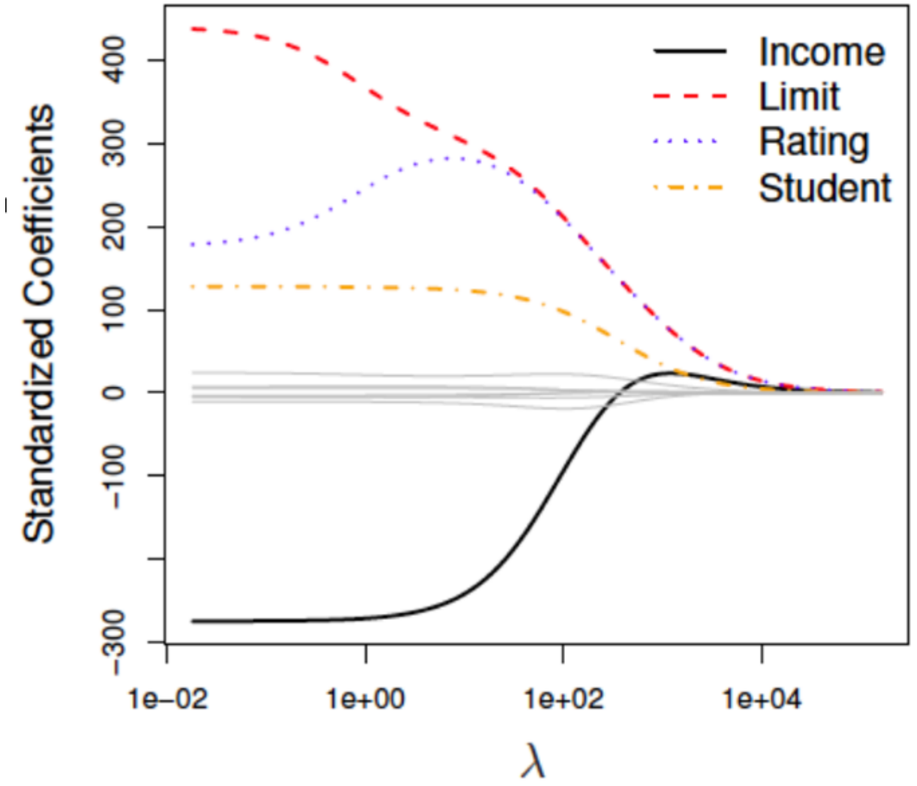
Regularized Least Squares (3)

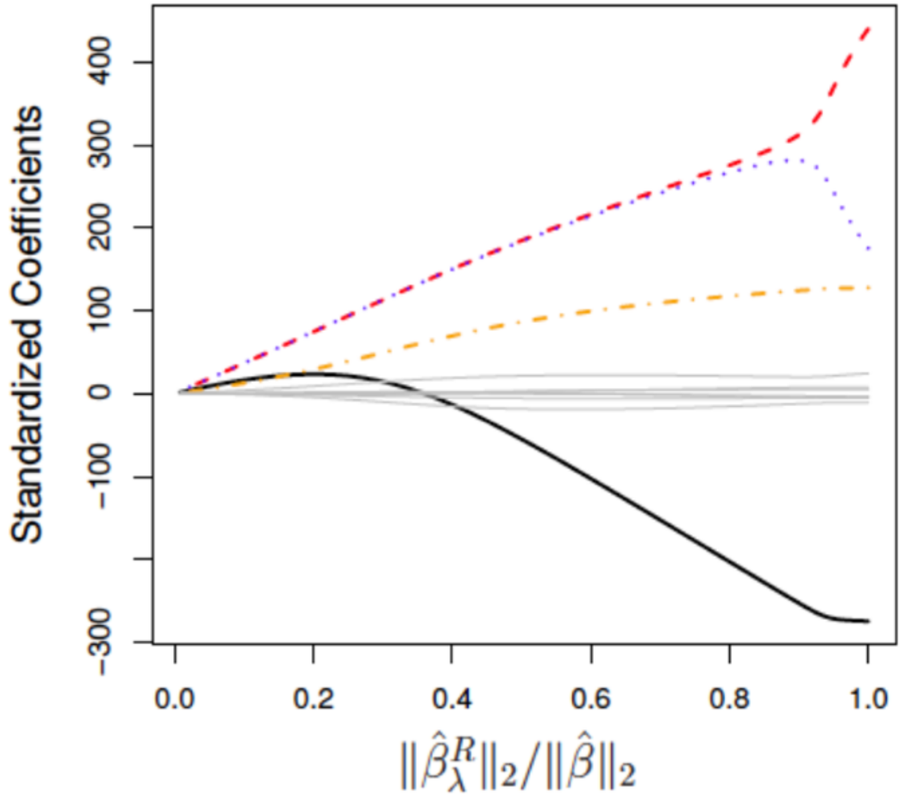


ridge regression has a circular constraint with no sharp points, this intersection will not generally occur on an axis, and so the ridge regression coefficient estimates will be exclusively non-zero.

However, the lasso constraint has corners at each of the axes, and so the ellipse will often intersect the constraint region at an axis.

Credit Data Example of Ridge regression





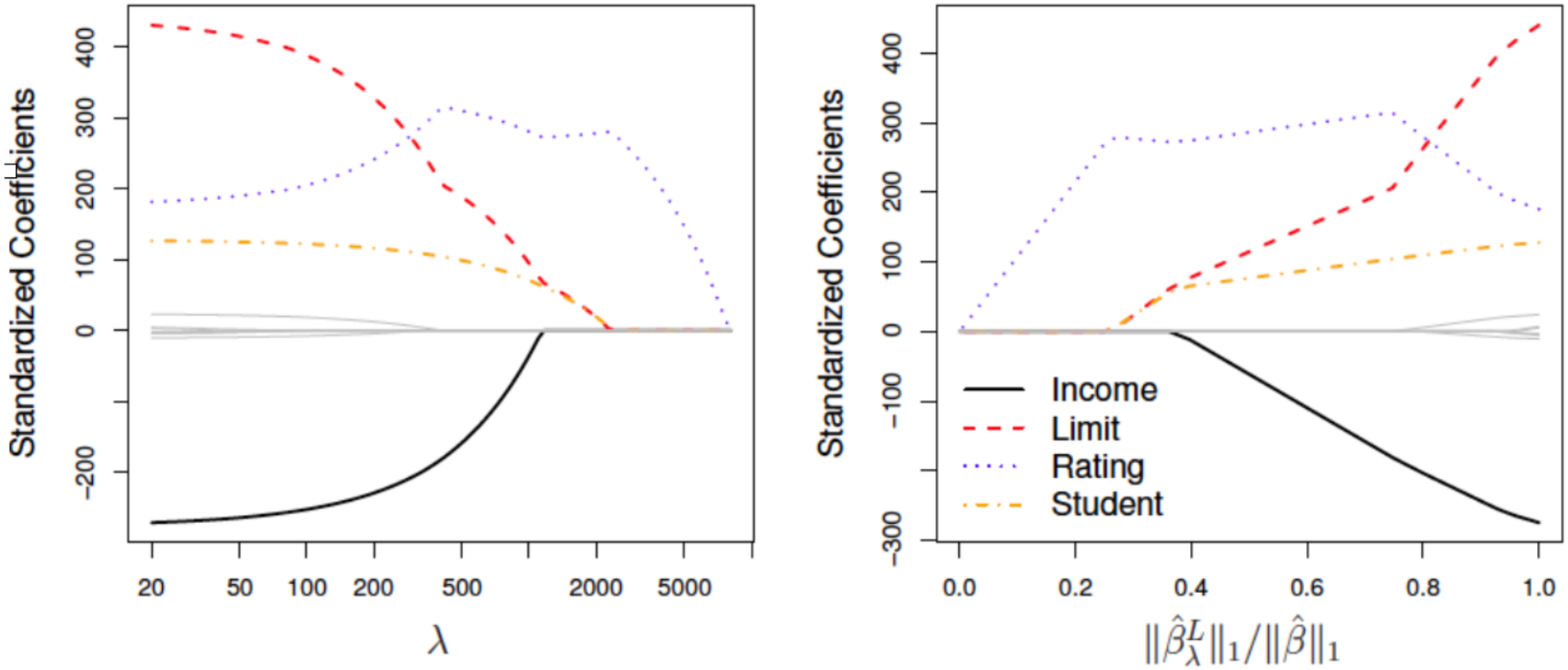
$$\beta(\lambda) = \underset{\beta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \| Y - X\beta \|_2^2 + \lambda \| \beta \|_2$$

Therefore, it is best to apply ridge regression after *standardizing the predictors*, using the formula

$$\tilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_{ij} - \overline{x}_j)^2}}$$

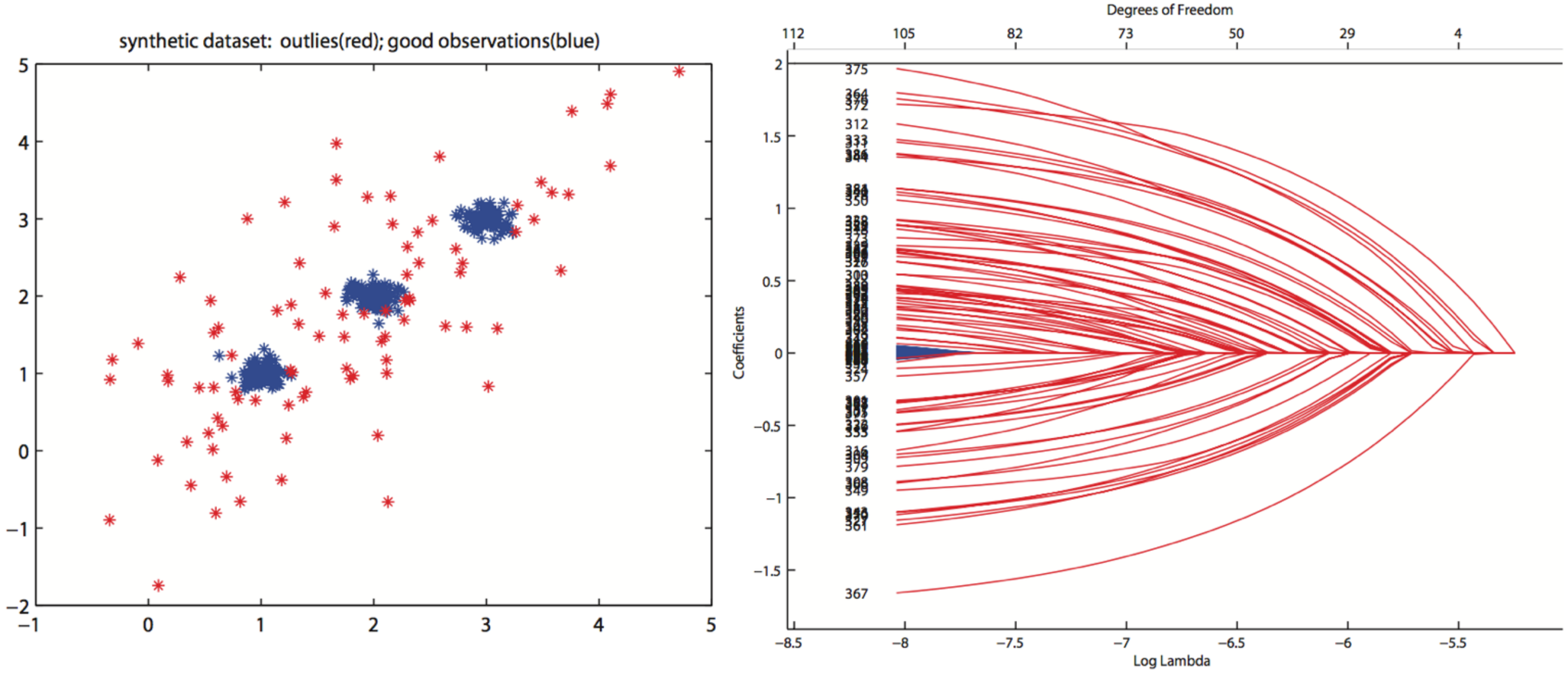
The right-hand panel displays the same ridge coefficient estimates as the left-hand panel, but instead of displaying λ on the x-axis, we now display $\|\hat{\beta}_\lambda^R\|_2/\|\hat{\beta}\|_2$, where $\hat{\beta}$ denotes the vector of least squares coefficient estimates.

Credit Data Example of Lasso



- However, in the case of the lasso, the L_1 penalty has the effect of forcing some of the coefficient estimates to be exactly equal to zero when the tuning parameter is sufficiently large.
- much like best subset selection, the lasso performs variable selection.
- We say that the lasso yields sparse models I that is, models that involve only a subset of the variables.

Lasso for Outlier Detection by Checking Regularisation Path



Red lines & red points indicate outliers; Blue lines & blue points are inliers. Figures from [3].

[3] **Yanwei Fu**, De-An Huang, Leonid Sigal, Robust Classification by Pre-conditioned LASSO and Transductive Diffusion Component Analysis,http://arxiv.org/abs/1511.06340

Chap 2 - Linear Regression(2)

Linear Model Selection and Regularisation
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Alternatives to Squared Error

Huber M-estimator:

$$\min J_h(\Theta) = \rho_\lambda(\delta_0\Theta - Y) \tag{14}$$

where the Huber's loss function $\rho_\lambda(x)$ is defined as

$$\rho_\lambda(x) = \begin{cases} x^2/2, & \text{if } |x| \le \lambda \\ \lambda|x| - \lambda^2/2, & \text{if } |x| > \lambda. \end{cases}$$

Appendix

Gradient Checking

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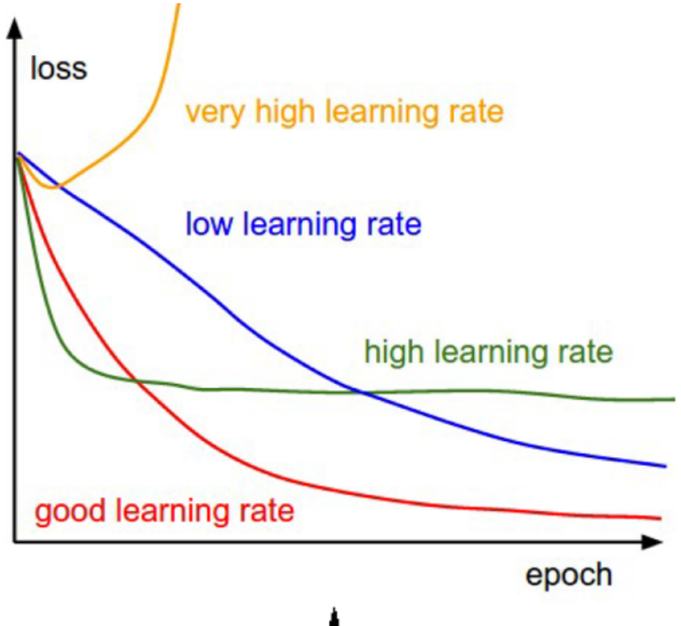
- When implementing the gradient computation for machine learning models, it's often difficult to know if our implementation of f and ∇f is correct.
- We can use finite-differences approximation to the gradient to help:

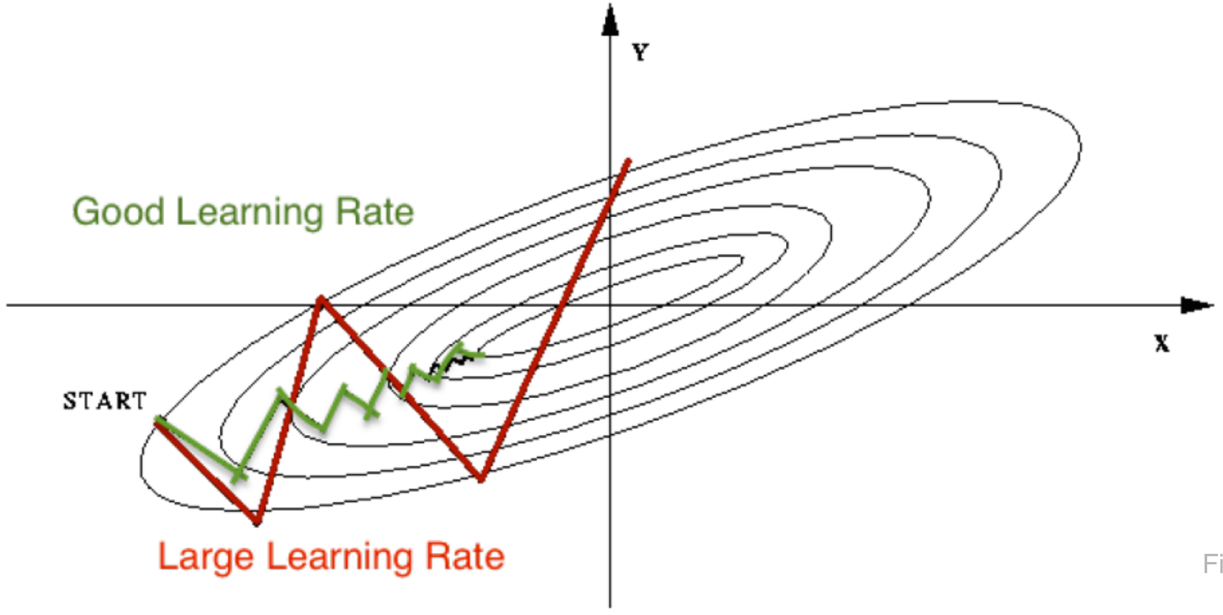
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta_i} \approx \frac{f((\theta_1, \ldots, \theta_i + \epsilon, \ldots, \theta_n)) - f((\theta_1, \ldots, \theta_i - \epsilon, \ldots, \theta_n))}{2\epsilon}$$

Why don't we always just use the finite differences approximation?

- slow: we need to recompute f twice for each parameter in our model.
- numerical issues

Learning Rate





Stopping Rules of Optimisation Algorithms

- Change in objective function value is close to zero: $|f(\theta_{t+1}) - f(\theta_t)| < \epsilon$
- Gradient norm is close to zero: $\|\nabla_\theta f\| < \epsilon$
- Validation error starts to increase (this is called *early stopping*)

First image taken from Andrej Karpathy's Stanford Lectures, second image taken from Wikipedia

Estimating test error: two approaches

Optional subtitle

- We can indirectly estimate test error by making an *adjustment* to the training error to account for the bias due to overfitting.
- We can *directly* estimate the test error, using either a validation set approach or a cross-validation approach, as discussed in previous lectures.
- We illustrate both approaches next.

C_p, AIC, BIC, and Adjusted R^2

- These techniques adjust the training error for the model size, and can be used to select among a set of models with different numbers of variables.
- The next figure displays C_p, BIC, and adjusted R^2 for the best model of each size produced by best subset selection on the `Credit` data set.

Details

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- *Mallow's C_p*:

$$C_p = \frac{1}{n}\left(\mathrm{RSS} + 2d\hat{\sigma}^2\right),$$

where d is the total # of parameters used and $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is an estimate of the variance of the error ϵ associated with each response measurement.

- The *AIC* criterion is defined for a large class of models fit by maximum likelihood:

$$\mathrm{AIC} = -2\log L + 2 \cdot d$$

where L is the maximized value of the likelihood function for the estimated model.

- In the case of the linear model with Gaussian errors, maximum likelihood and least squares are the same thing, and C_p and AIC are equivalent. *Prove this.*

$$\mathrm{BIC} = \frac{1}{n}\left(\mathrm{RSS} + \log(n)d\hat{\sigma}^2\right).$$

- Like C_p, the BIC will tend to take on a small value for a model with a low test error, and so generally we select the model that has the lowest BIC value.
- Notice that BIC replaces the $2d\hat{\sigma}^2$ used by C_p with a $\log(n)d\hat{\sigma}^2$ term, where n is the number of observations.
- Since $\log n > 2$ for any $n > 7$, the BIC statistic generally places a heavier penalty on models with many variables, and hence results in the selection of smaller models than C_p. See Figure on slide 19.

Adjusted R^2

- For a least squares model with d variables, the adjusted R^2 statistic is calculated as

$$\text{Adjusted } R^2 = 1 - \frac{\text{RSS}/(n-d-1)}{\text{TSS}/(n-1)}.$$

  where TSS is the total sum of squares.
- Unlike C_p, AIC, and BIC, for which a *small* value indicates a model with a low test error, a *large* value of adjusted R^2 indicates a model with a small test error.
- Maximizing the adjusted R^2 is equivalent to minimizing $\frac{\text{RSS}}{n-d-1}$. While RSS always decreases as the number of variables in the model increases, $\frac{\text{RSS}}{n-d-1}$ may increase or decrease, due to the presence of d in the denominator.
- Unlike the R^2 statistic, the adjusted R^2 statistic *pays a price* for the inclusion of unnecessary variables in the model. See Figure on slide 19.

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Maximum likelihood estimate (MLE) in an abstract setting:

- We have a dataset 'D'.
- We want to pick a model 'h' from among set of models H.
- We define the likelihood as a probability density p(D | h).
- We choose the model 'h' that maximizes the likelihood:

$$\hat{h} = \underset{h \in H}{\operatorname{argmax}}\ p(D \mid h)$$

- If the data consists of 'n' IID samples 'D_i', then we equivalently have:

$$\hat{h} = \underset{h \in H}{\operatorname{argmax}} \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(D_i \mid h)$$

Since independence implies $p(D \mid h) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(D_i \mid h)$

- MLE has appealing properties as n -> ∞ (take STAT 560/561)

Maximum a Posteriori (MAP) Estimation

imum a posteriori (MAP) estimate maximizes reverse:

$$\underset{h \in H}{\operatorname{argmax}}\ p(h \mid D)$$

- Model is a random variable, and we need to find most likely model.
- Using Bayes' rule, we have $p(h \mid D) = \frac{p(D \mid h)p(h)}{p(D)} \propto p(D \mid h)p(h)$.

$$\underset{h \in H}{\operatorname{argmax}}\ \underbrace{p(h \mid D)}_{\text{posterior}} \Longleftrightarrow \underset{h \in H}{\operatorname{argmax}}\ \underbrace{p(D \mid h)}_{\text{likelihood}}\underbrace{p(h)}_{\text{prior}}$$

- Prior p(h) is 'belief' that 'h' is the correct model before seeing data:
  - Can take into account that complex models are likely to overfit.