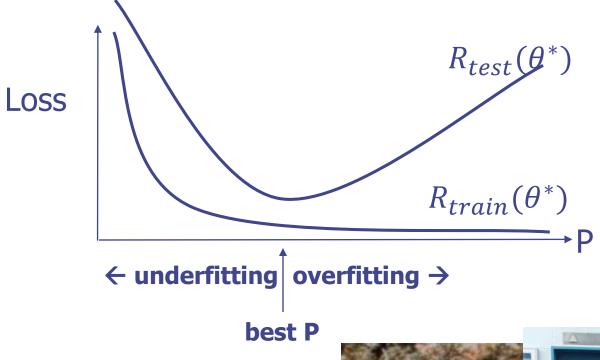
Machine Learning 4771

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Reminder: Cross Validation



General Additive Models



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Class 5: How to stop Max Likelihood from Overfitting?

- Estimating parameters of distributions
- Evidence vs. prior assumptions
- Regularizing regression

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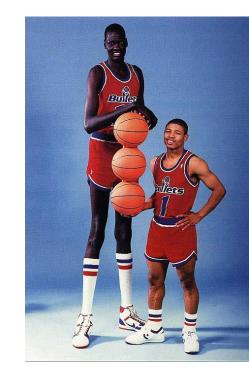
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$$k,m > 0 :$$

$$0 = \alpha^{m} (1-\alpha)^{k} \Big|_{0}^{1} = mc(m-1,k) - kc(m,k-1)$$

$$c(m,k) = \frac{k}{m+1} c(m+1,k-1) = \dots =$$

$$= \frac{k!}{(m+k)!} c(m+k,0) = \frac{m! \, k!}{(m+k)!} \int_{\alpha=0}^{1} \alpha^{m+k} d\alpha$$

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Additive smoothing, add-1 smoothing
 Chance for sunrise tomorrow[Laplace]

Bayesian approach to overfit prevention

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• Given evidence X, what is the Maximum A-Posteriori (MAP) $argmax_{\alpha}[p(\alpha)p(X|\alpha)] = = argmax_{\alpha}[\log p(\alpha) + \log p(X|\alpha)]$

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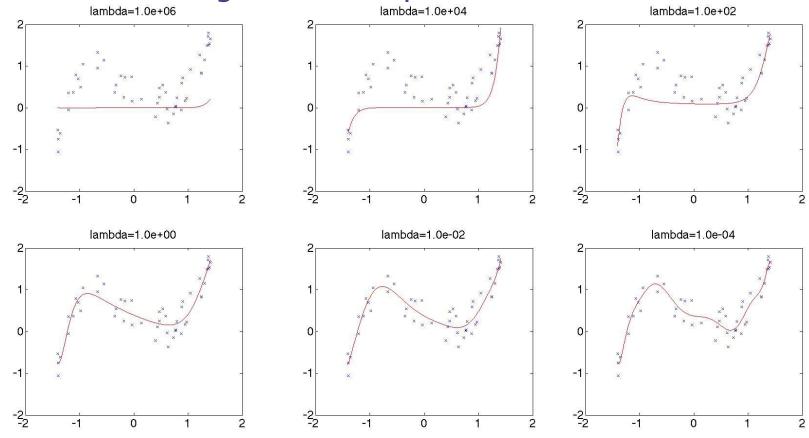
$$\nabla_{\theta} R_{regularized} = 0$$

$$\nabla_{\theta} \left(\frac{1}{2N} || \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X} \theta ||^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} || \theta ||^2 \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2N} (-2\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} + 2\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \theta) + \frac{\lambda}{2} (2\theta) = 0$$

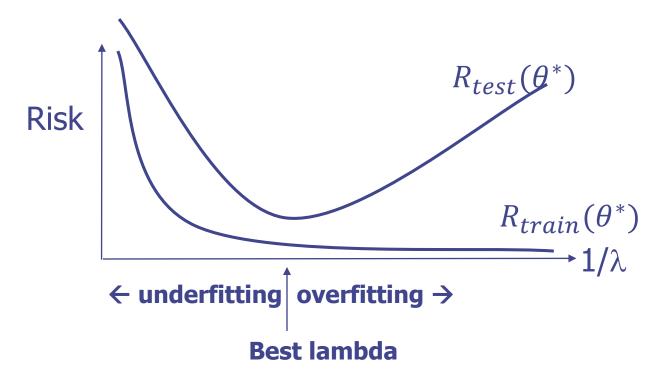
$$\theta^* = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \lambda NI)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

- •Have D=16 features (or P=15 throughout)
- •Try minimizing $R_{regularized}(\theta)$ to get θ^* with different λ
- •Note that $\lambda = 0$ give back Empirical Risk Minimization



Crossvalidation

- Try fitting with different lambda regularization levels
- •Select lambda which gives lowest $R_{test}(\theta^*)$



- Lambda measures simplicity of the model
- Models with low lambda are more flexible

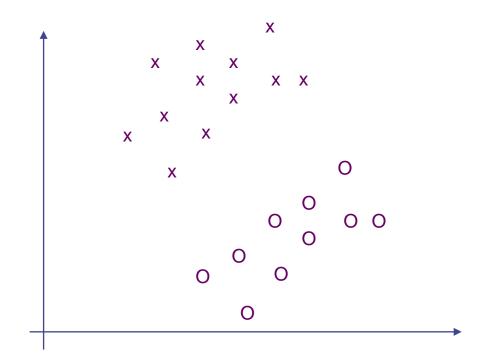
Summary

- Inferring distribution parameters:
 - Max likelihood
 - Expected A-Posteriori
 - Maximum A-Posterior

Regularization

Class 6

- Classification
- Logistic Regression
- Gradient Descent



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- Decide malignant or benign tumors
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From Regression To Classification

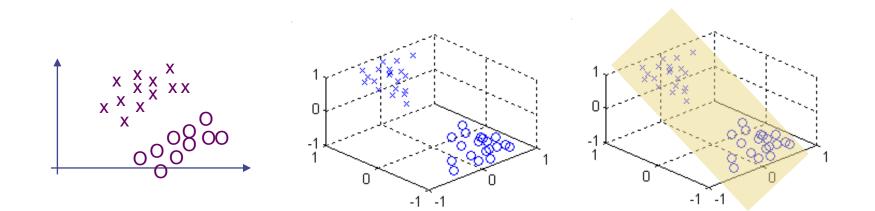
Classification is another important learning problem

Classification:
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•Should we solve this as a least squares regression problem?



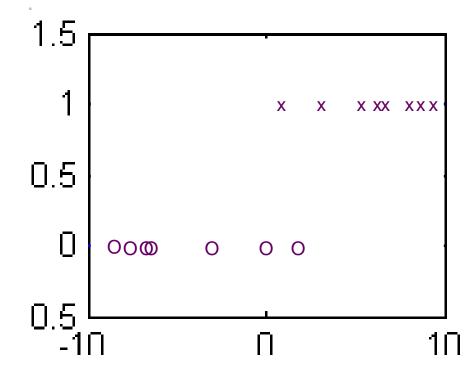
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Short hand for Linear Functions

•What happened to adding the intercept?

$$f(\mathbf{x}; \theta) = \theta^T \mathbf{x} + \theta_0$$

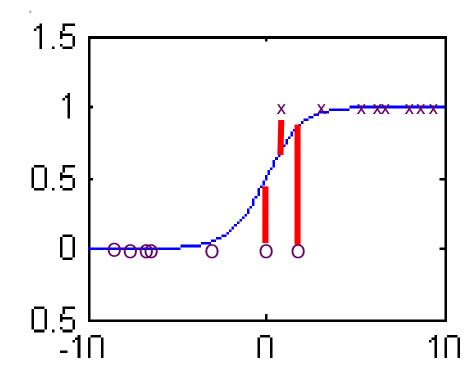
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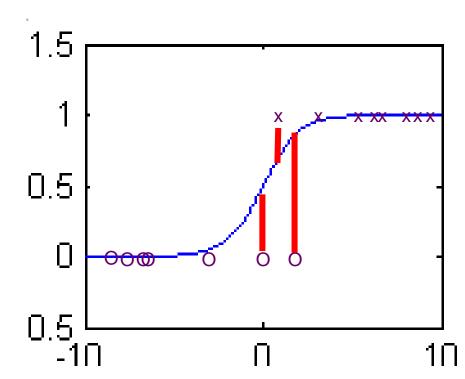
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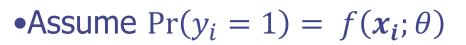


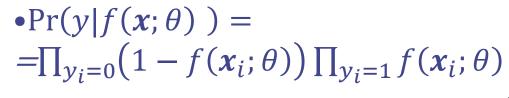
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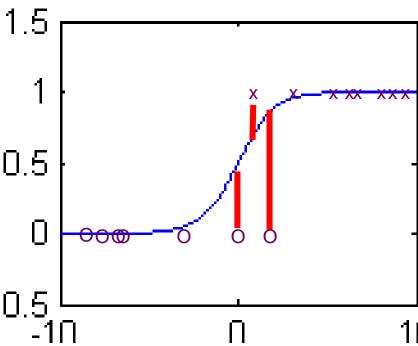
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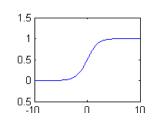
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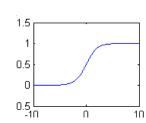
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where
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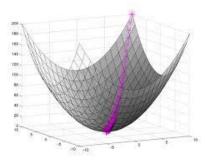
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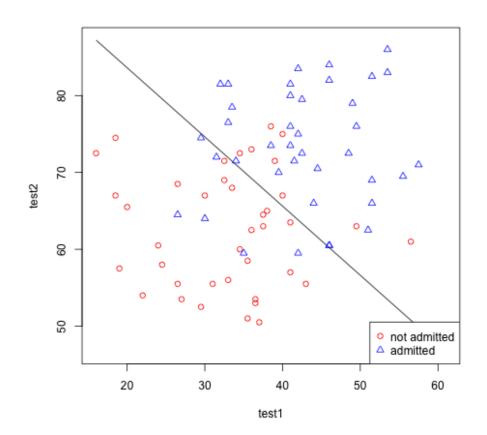
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- Gradient Descent Algorithm

choose scalar step size η , & tolerance ε initialize $\theta^0 = \text{small random vector}$

$$\begin{split} \theta^1 &\leftarrow \theta^0 - \eta \nabla_\theta R_{emp}|_{\theta^0} \; ; t \leftarrow 1 \\ \text{while} \; \|\theta^t - \theta^{t-1}\| &\geq \epsilon \; \; \{ \\ & \theta^{t+1} \leftarrow \theta^t - \eta \nabla_\theta R_{emp}|_{\theta^0} \; ; t \leftarrow t+1 \; \; \} \end{split}$$

•For appropriate η , this will converge to local minimum

- Logistic regression gives better classification performance
- •Its empirical risk is convex so gradient descent always converges to the same solution



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