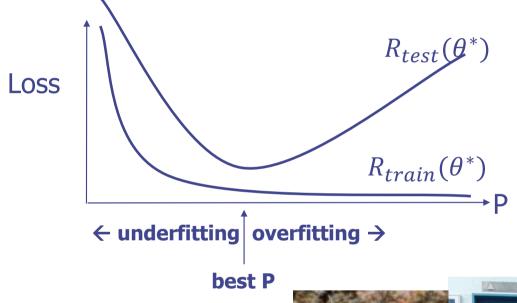
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General Additive Models



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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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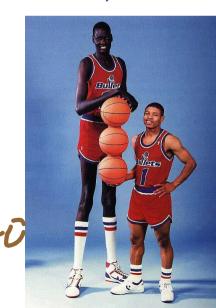
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$$k, m > 0 :$$

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

Bayesian approach to overfit prevention

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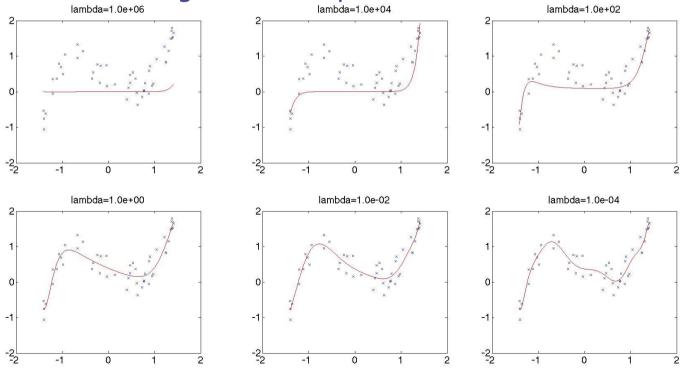
$$\nabla_{\theta} R_{regularized} = 0$$

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

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

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

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



Summary

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

Regularization