

Theorem 9.1 With probability  $1-\delta$ , the ERM algorithm outputs  $\hat{f}_n$  satisfying

$$\underline{L(\hat{f}_n)} \leq \underline{L(f_\lambda)} + \frac{16(M+C_K\lambda)^2}{\sqrt{n}} + (M^2+C_K^2\lambda^2) \left( \sqrt{\frac{8 \log(1/\delta)}{n}} \right) \checkmark$$

$\lambda = \frac{M}{\sqrt{\gamma}}$

Section 9.2 Penalty regularized least squares

$$L(f) = E[(Y - f(x))^2]$$

$$J_\gamma(f) := L(f) + \gamma \|f\|_K^2$$

$X$   $K(x, x')$   
 $\mathbb{P}$ -dist<sup>n</sup> on  
 $X = \mathbb{R}$

$$\hat{f}_{n,\gamma} = \arg \min_{f \in \mathcal{H}_K} L_n(f) + \gamma \|f\|_K^2$$

$$A(\gamma) = J_\gamma^*(\mathcal{H}_K) - L^*$$

$$L^* = E[(Y - E(Y|X))^2]$$

- best for unconstrained estimators

Theorem 9.2 For any  $\delta \in (0,1)$  with probability at least  $1-\delta$ : ERM also satisfies

$$L(\hat{f}_{n,\gamma}) - L^* \leq A(\gamma) + \frac{16M^2(1 + \frac{C_K}{\sqrt{\gamma}})^2}{\sqrt{n}} + M^2 \left(1 + \frac{C_K^2}{\gamma}\right) \sqrt{\frac{8 \log(1/\delta)}{n}}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\min_{f \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda} L(f) + \lambda \|f\|_K^2$

$\uparrow$   
 $\min L_n(\cdot)$

Recall  $E R_n(\mathcal{F}_\lambda(X^n)) \leq \lambda \sqrt{\frac{C_K}{n}}$

$\uparrow$   
 $\mathcal{F}_\lambda := \{f \in H_K : \|f\|_K \leq \lambda\}$

$J_f(z) = (Y - f(z))^2$

Note If  $f \equiv 0$  then  $J_\gamma(f) = L(f) + \gamma \|f\|_K^2 \leq M^2$

$\begin{matrix} E[(\tilde{Y} - 0)^2] \\ \gamma \in [-M, M] \end{matrix}$

If  $\|f'\|_K > \left(\frac{M}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\right)$

then  $J_\gamma(f') = L(f') + \gamma \|f'\|_K^2 > M^2$

$\therefore$  If  $\|f'\|_K > \frac{M}{\sqrt{\gamma}}$ ,  $f'$  is worse than 0 classifier

$\hookrightarrow$  define to be  $\lambda$ .

$\therefore \min_{f \in H_K} J_\gamma(f) = \min_{f \in \mathcal{F}_\lambda} J_\gamma(f)$        $\lambda = \frac{M}{\sqrt{\gamma}}$

$J_{\lambda,n}(f') = L_n(f') + \gamma \|f'\|_K^2$

minimize  $L_n(f) + \gamma \|f\|_K^2$  instead of

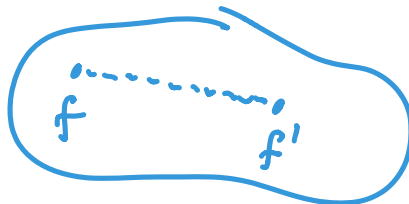
$L(f) + \gamma \|f\|_K^2$

difference is  $L_n(f) - L(f)$

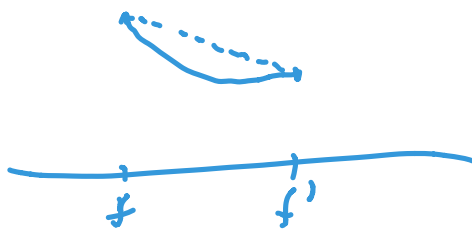
Same  $\Delta_n(\mathbb{R}^n)$  as before.

Sections 3.4 + 3.5  
m-strongly convex functions + smooth convex functions

Set is convex:



$$f \text{ convex} \Rightarrow \phi(\lambda f + (1-\lambda)f') \leq \lambda \phi(f) + (1-\lambda)\phi(f')$$



$\mathcal{F}$  = domain

Definition  $\phi$  is strongly convex if for some  $m > 0$ ,

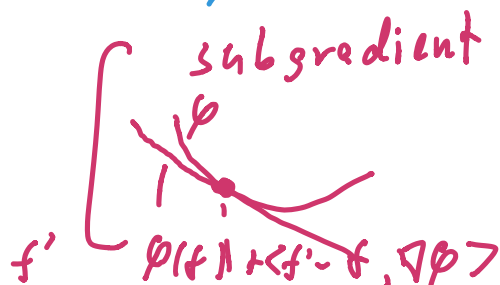
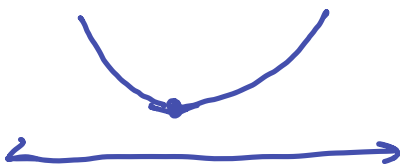
$$\phi(f') \geq \phi(f) + \langle g, f' - f \rangle + \frac{m}{2} \|f - f'\|^2$$

for all  $f, f' \in \mathcal{F}$

$$g = \nabla \phi(f)$$

for any subgradient of  $\phi$  at  $x$ .

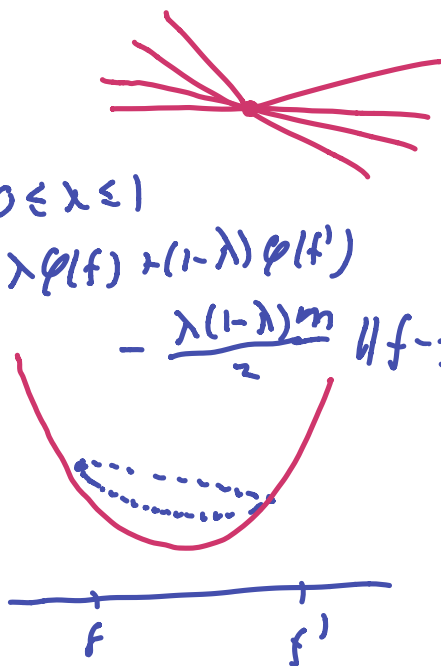
upward curvature:



### Lemma 3.2

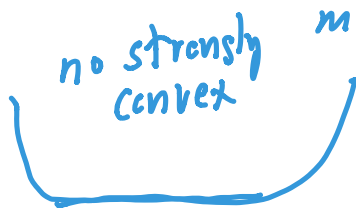
(1) For any  $f, f'$  and  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$

$$\varphi(\lambda f + (1-\lambda)f') \leq \lambda \varphi(f) + (1-\lambda) \varphi(f') - \frac{\lambda(1-\lambda)m}{2} \|f-f'\|^2$$



(0)  $\varphi$  is  $m$ -strongly convex  $\Leftrightarrow$   
 $\varphi(f) - \frac{m}{2} \|f\|^2$  is convex.

(2) If  $\varphi$  is strongly convex it has a unique minimizer.



(3) If  $f^*$  is the minimizer then  
 for any  $f$   $\varphi(f) - \varphi(f^*) \geq \frac{m}{2} \|f - f^*\|^2$

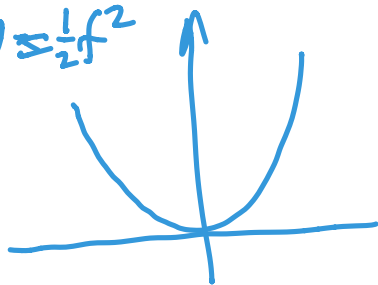


(4) stability of minimizers under Lipschitz perturbations

$$\|f\|^2$$

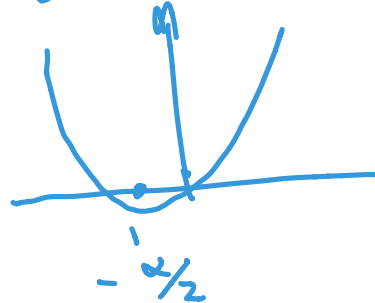
eg. 1-strongly convex

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{1}{2}t^2$$



$$f^* = 0$$

$$\varphi(t) + \alpha t = \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \alpha t$$



$$f + \alpha = 0$$

$$f_{\text{new}}^* = -\alpha$$

$$B(t) = \alpha t$$

Suppose  $B$  is  $L$ -Lipschitz  
 $(\|B(t) - B(t')\| \leq L \|t - t'\|)$

and suppose  $\tilde{f}$  is a minimizer of  $\varphi + B$

$$\text{Then } \|f^* - \tilde{f}^*\| \leq \frac{L}{m}$$

$$f^* \text{ --- } \tilde{f}^*$$

Section 3.5 smooth convex functions

$\mathcal{F}$ -closed subset of  $\mathcal{H}$

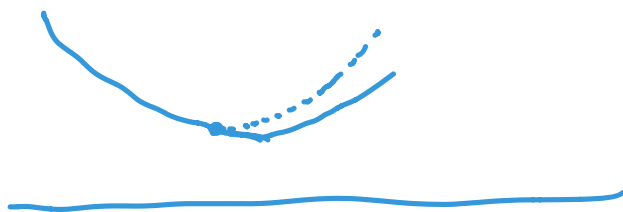
$\varphi: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $M$ -smooth for some  $M \geq 0$

if  $f \rightarrow \nabla \varphi$  is  $M$ -Lipschitz:

$$\|\nabla \varphi(f) - \nabla \varphi(f')\| \leq M \|f - f'\|$$

$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{If } \phi \text{ is twice continuously differentiable} \\ \text{then } \phi \text{ is } L \text{ smooth if } \nabla^2 \phi(t) \preceq M \cdot \mathbf{I}_n \quad H = \mathbb{R}^d \\ \text{(i.e. } \alpha^T [\nabla^2 \phi(t) - M \mathbf{I}] \alpha \geq 0 \text{ for all } \alpha.) \end{array} \right]$

$\frac{1d \text{ case}}{\nabla \phi = \phi'}$  If  $\phi''$  exists,  $L$  smoothness is equivalent to  $\phi'' \leq M$



$\left( \frac{M}{2} \|f\|^2 \text{ is } L\text{-smooth and } L\text{-strongly convex} \right)$

$$\phi(t) = f^T A f$$

$A$  - symmetric  
matrix

eigen values  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d$

$L$  smoothness  $\lambda_i \leq L$  all  $i$

$m$  strongly convex  $\lambda_i \geq m$  all  $i$

Gradient descent

$$x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} - \alpha \nabla \phi(x^{(k)})$$