

Regularization

Importance of Regularization

- Used by almost all the linear models such as Linear Regression, Logistic regression as well as neural network
- One of the most important parameters

What we usually hear about regularization?

- Regularization prevents overfitting and improves generalization
- L1 or Lasso and L2 or Ridge regression or L1-L2 regularization
- Adds a penalty to the error term
- One penalizes the absolute term while the other penalizes in squared manner
- Used for the Bias-Variance trade-off
- One makes the coefficients to zero while the other makes them near zero

Bias Variance Trade Off

What is Bias?

Definition [\[edit \]](#)

Suppose we have a [statistical model](#), parameterized by a real number θ , giving rise to a probability distribution for observed data, $P_\theta(x) = P(x \mid \theta)$, and a statistic $\hat{\theta}$ which serves as an [estimator](#) of θ based on any observed data x . That is, we assume that our data follow some unknown distribution $P(x \mid \theta)$ (where θ is a fixed constant that is part of this distribution, but is unknown), and then we construct some estimator $\hat{\theta}$ that maps observed data to values that we hope are close to θ . The **bias** of $\hat{\theta}$ relative to θ is defined as

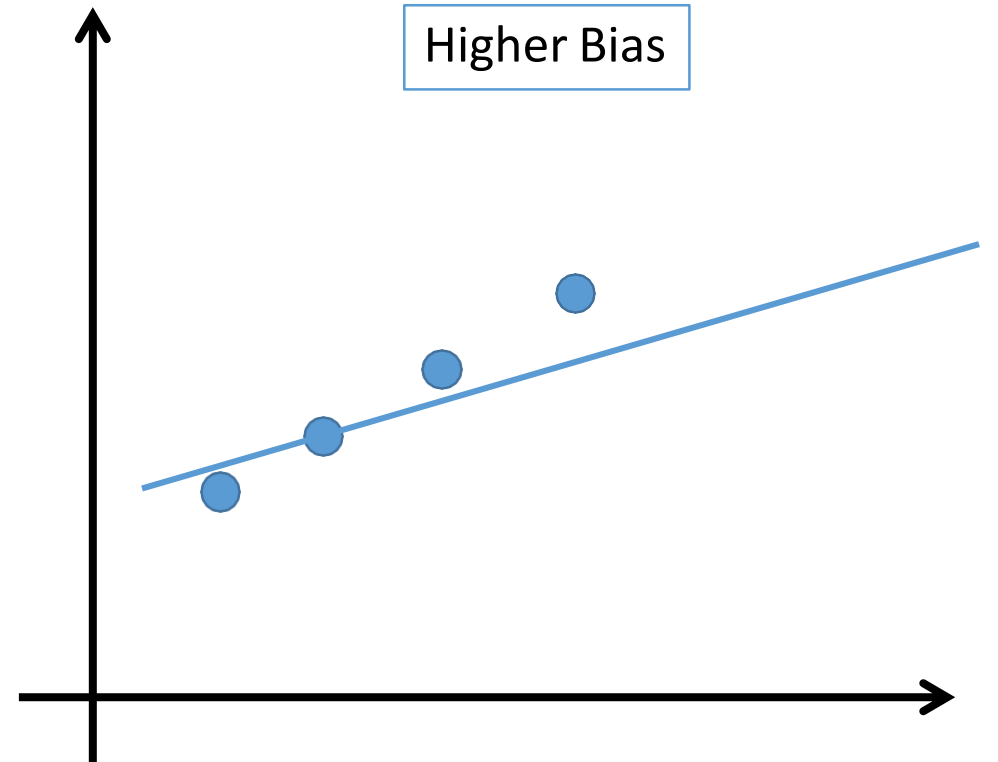
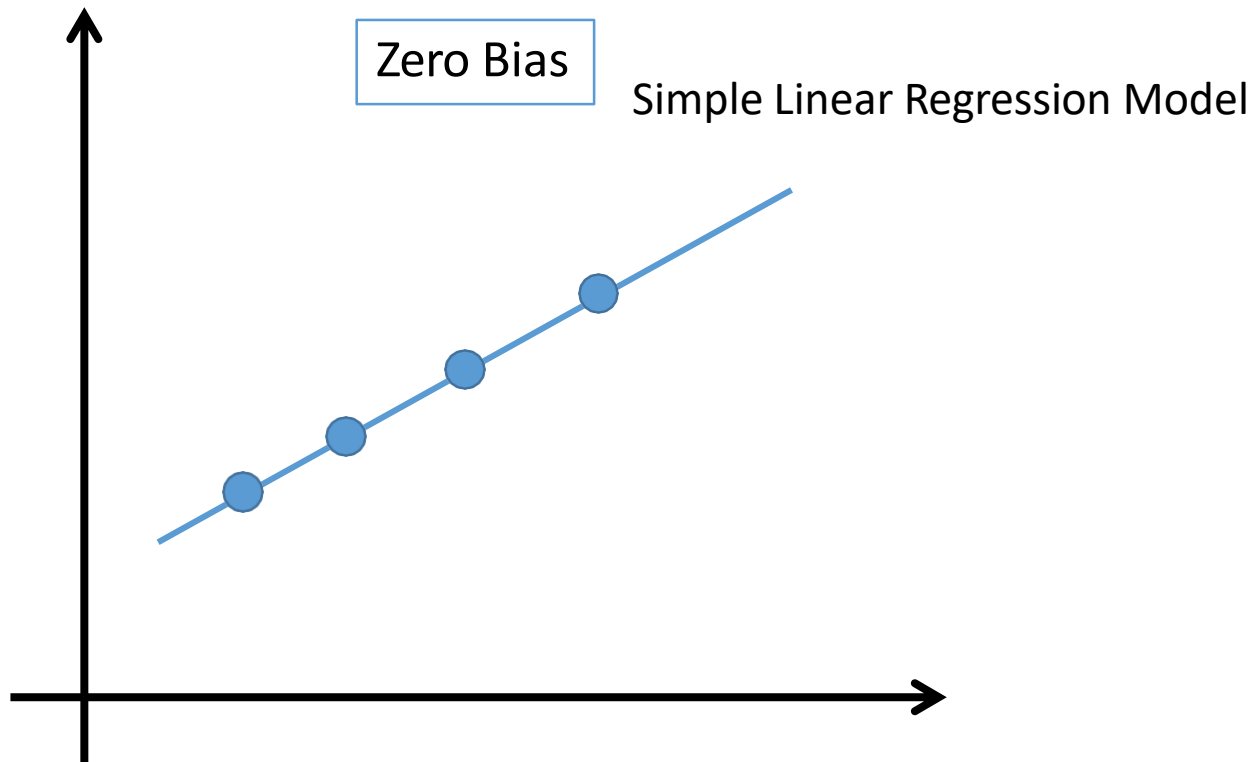
$$\text{Bias}_\theta[\hat{\theta}] = \mathbb{E}_{x|\theta}[\hat{\theta}] - \theta = \mathbb{E}_{x|\theta}[\hat{\theta} - \theta],$$

where $\mathbb{E}_{x|\theta}$ denotes [expected value](#) over the distribution $P(x \mid \theta)$, i.e. averaging over all possible observations x . The second equation follows since θ is measurable with respect to the conditional distribution $P(x \mid \theta)$.

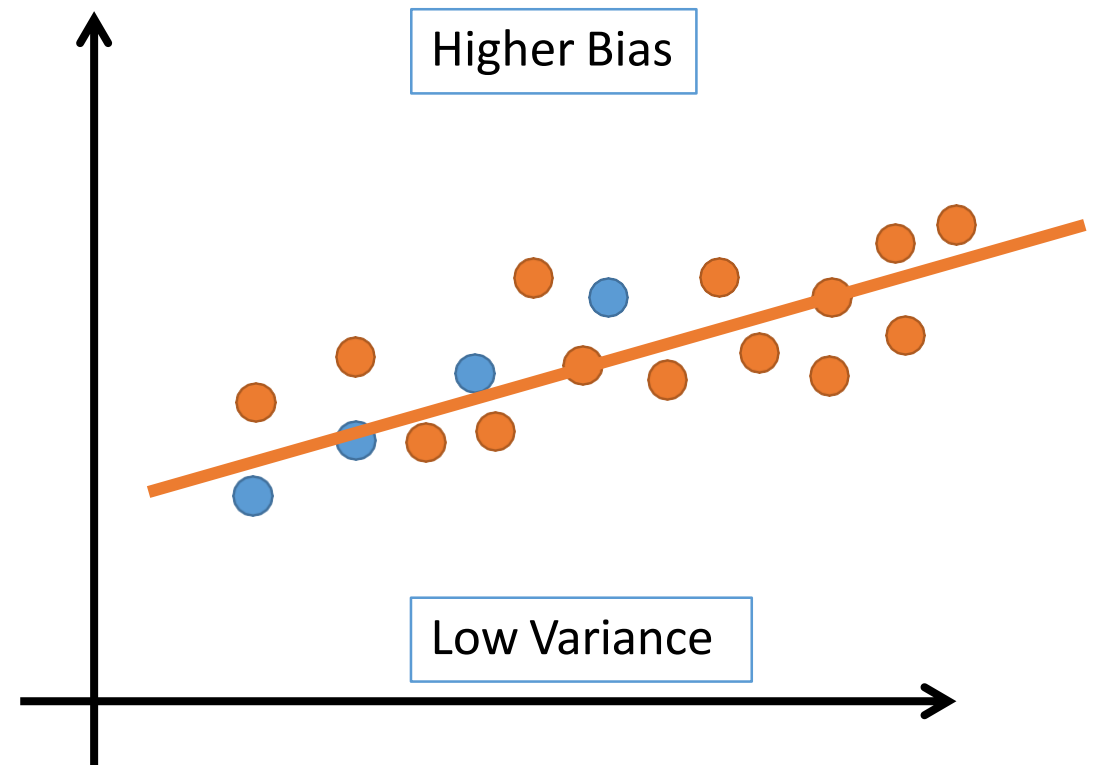
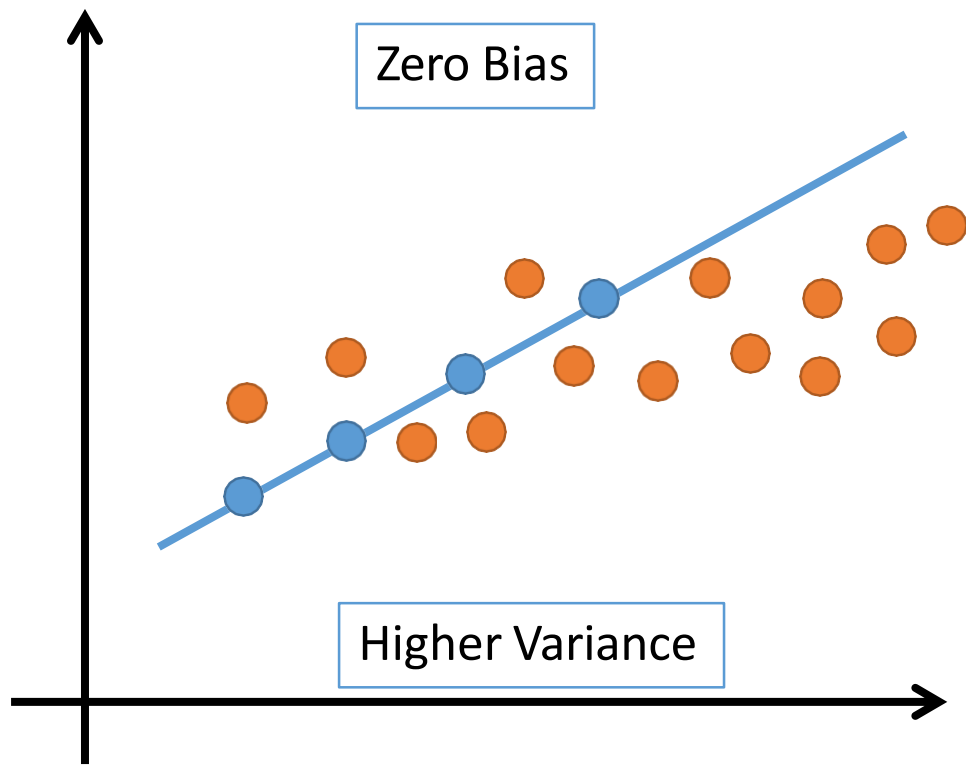
An estimator is said to be **unbiased** if its bias is equal to zero for all values of parameter θ .

In a simulation experiment concerning the properties of an estimator, the bias of the estimator may be assessed using the [mean signed difference](#).

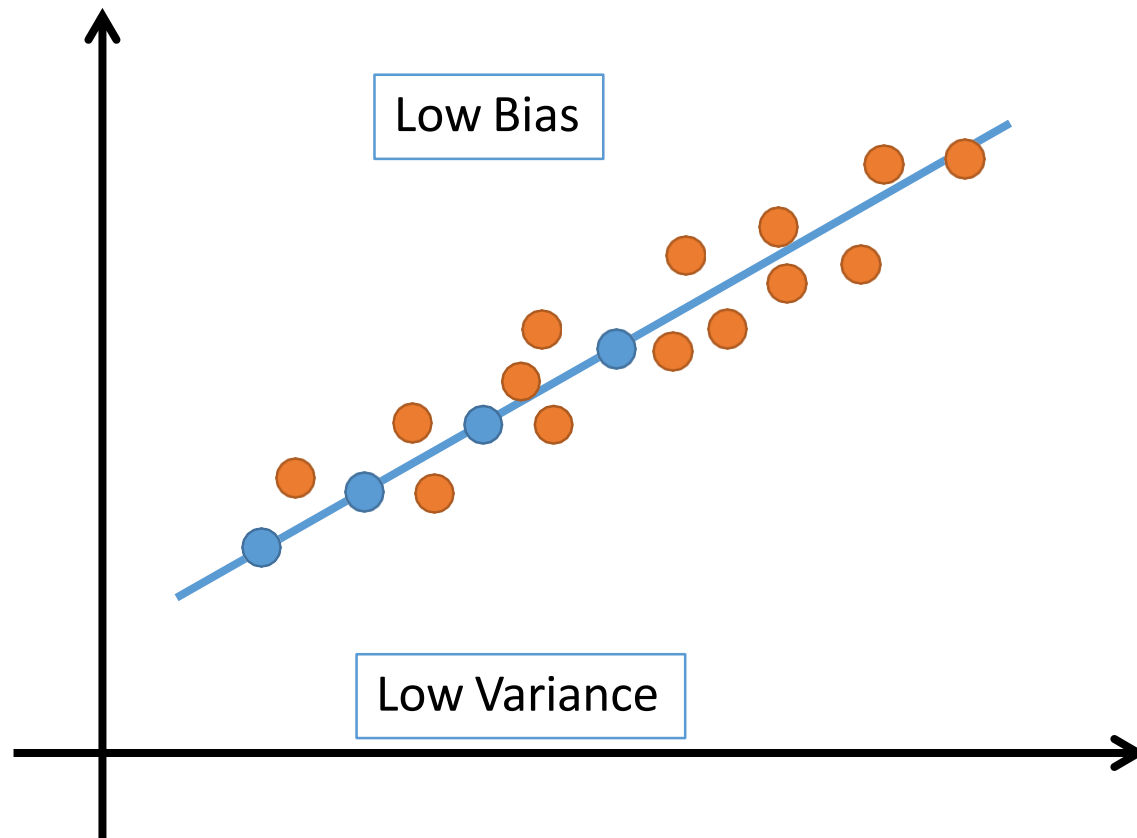
What is Bias?



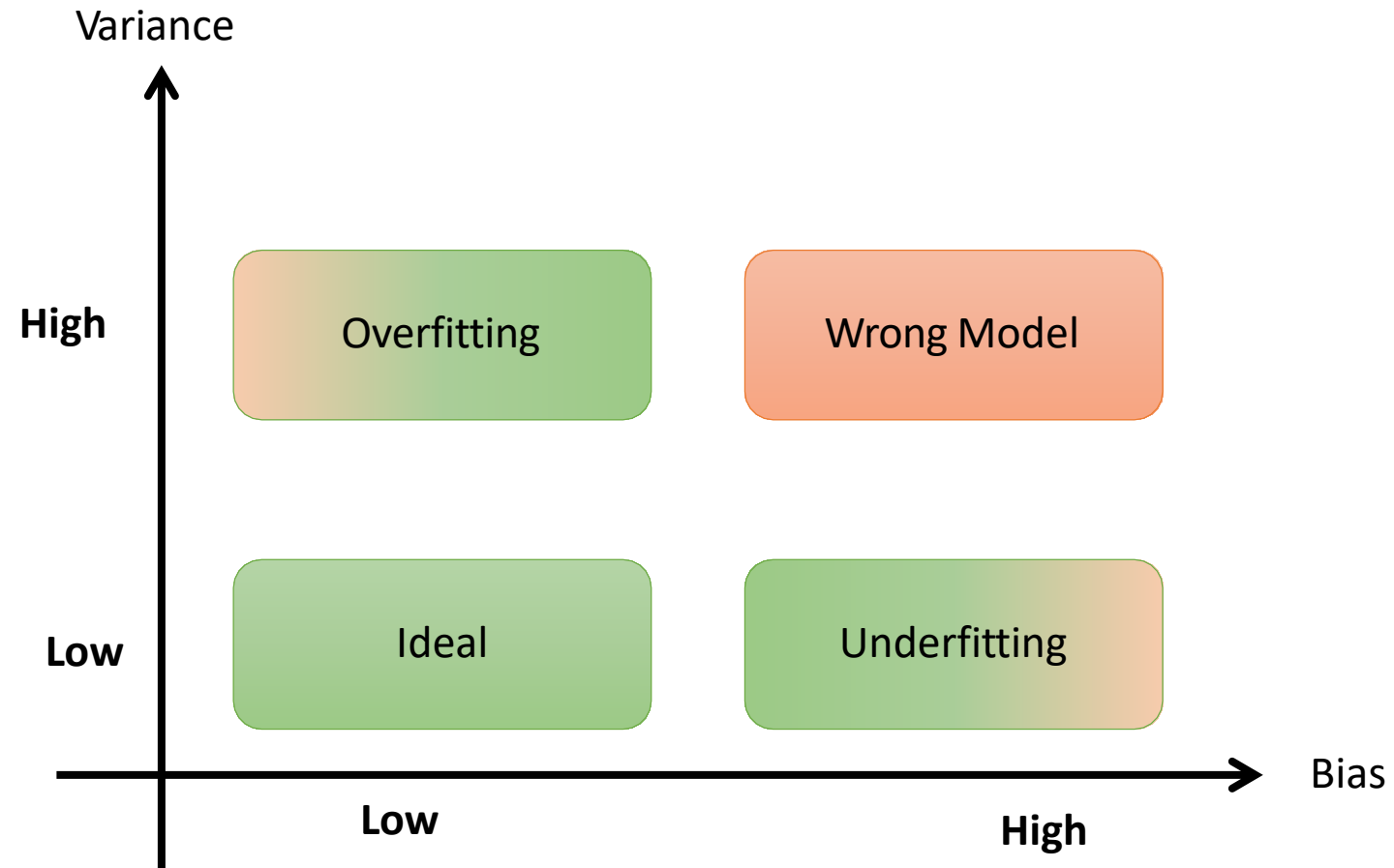
What is Variance?



Ideal Scenario

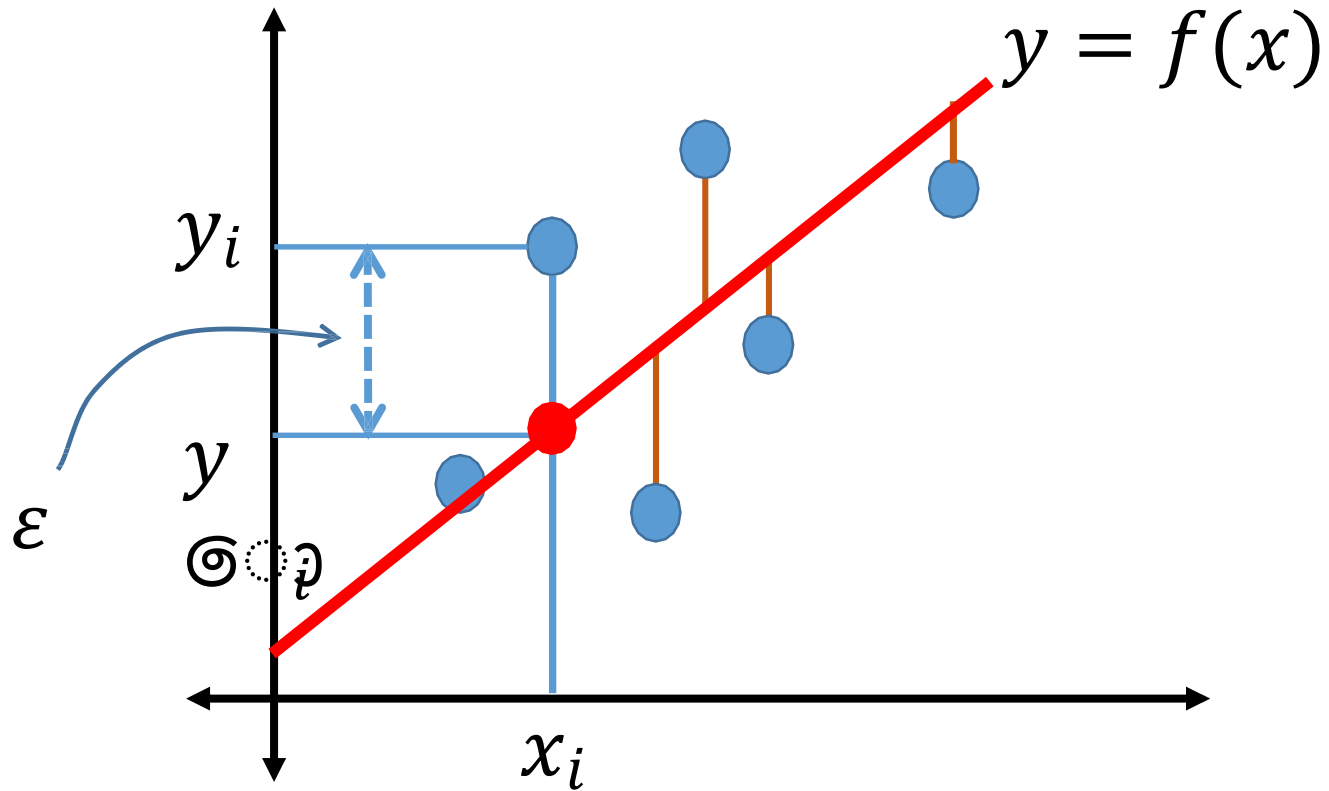


Bias-Variance Tradeoff



Ridge Regression or L2 Regression

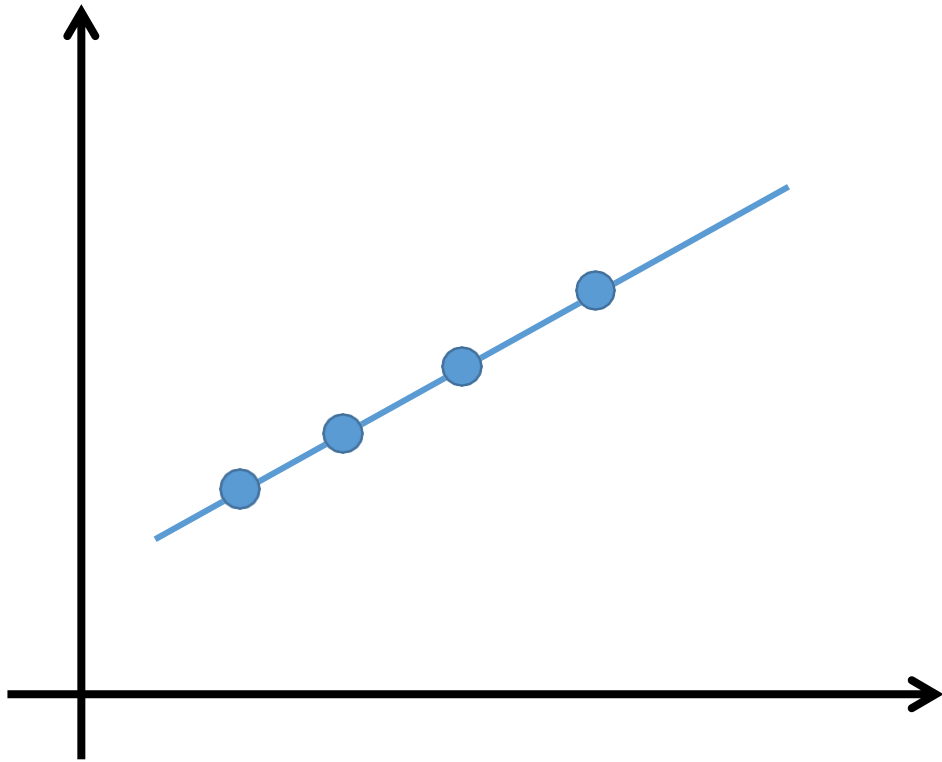
Ordinary Least Square Revisited



Minimum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

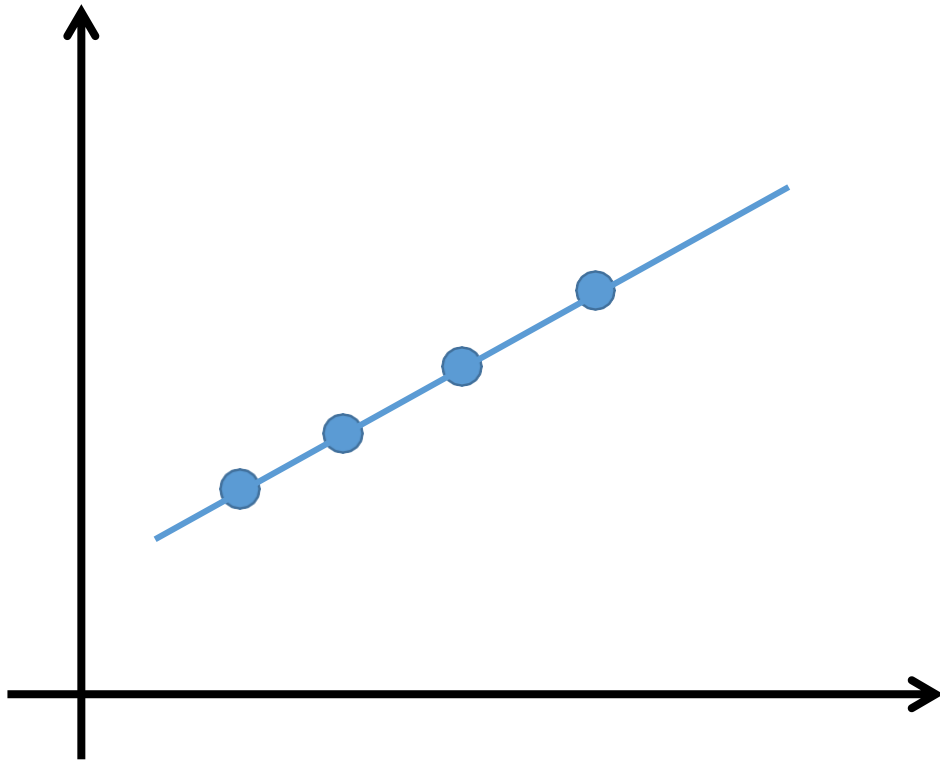
Ridge Regression



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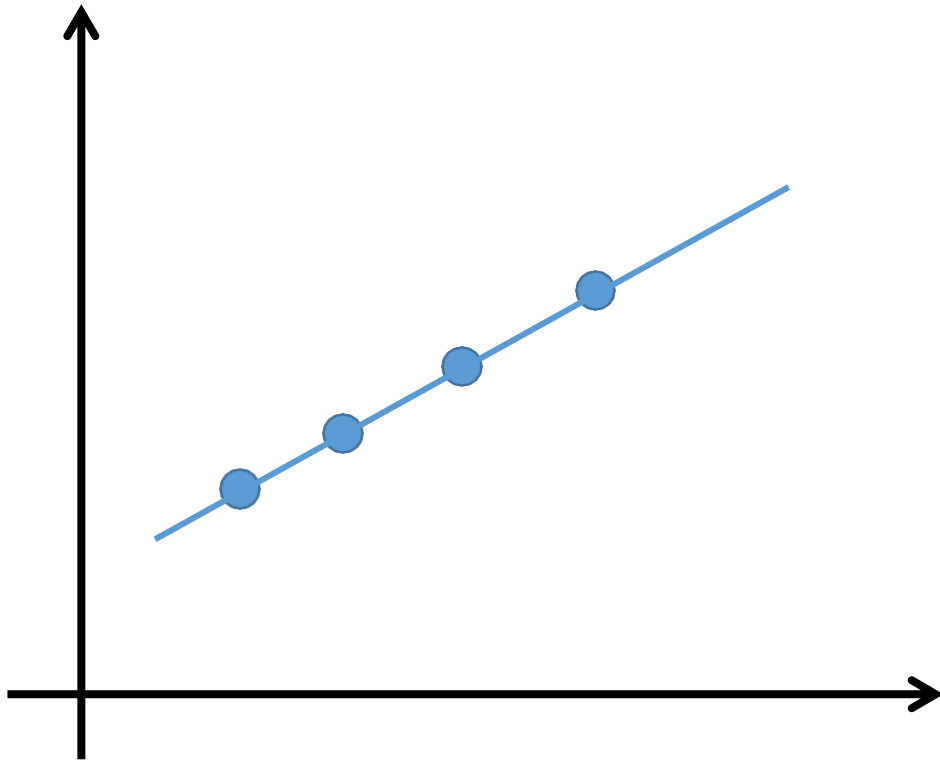
Ridge Regression



Minimum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \textit{Penalty}$$

Ridge Regression

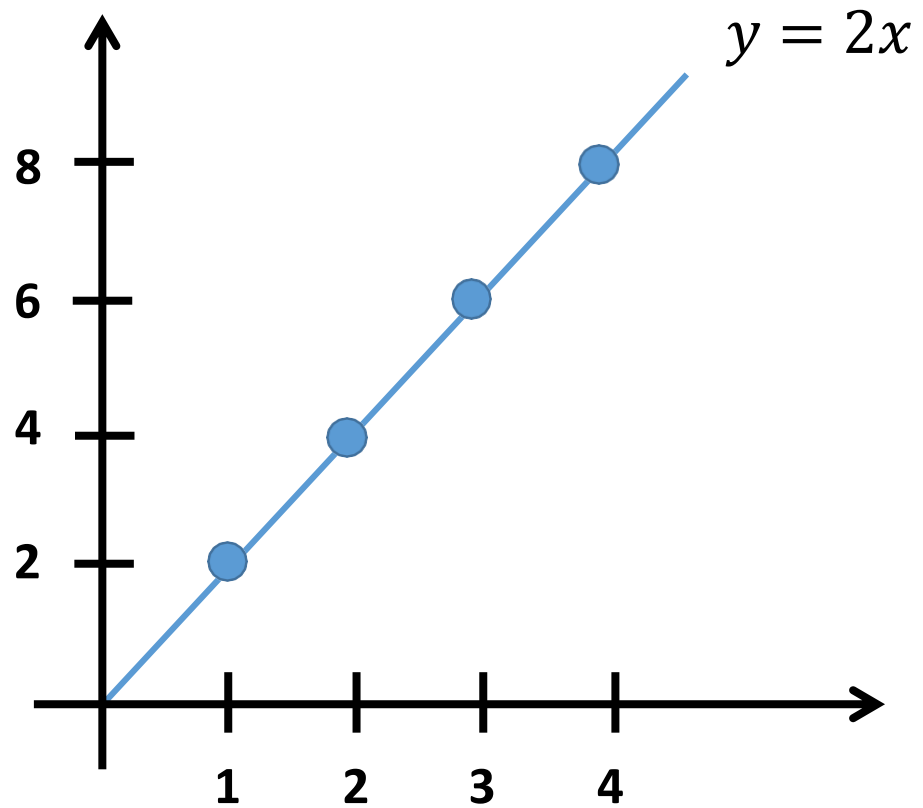


Minimum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * Slope^2$$

**Understand using an
Example !!**

Ridge Regression



Slope = 2

$\lambda = 1$

OLS

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

0

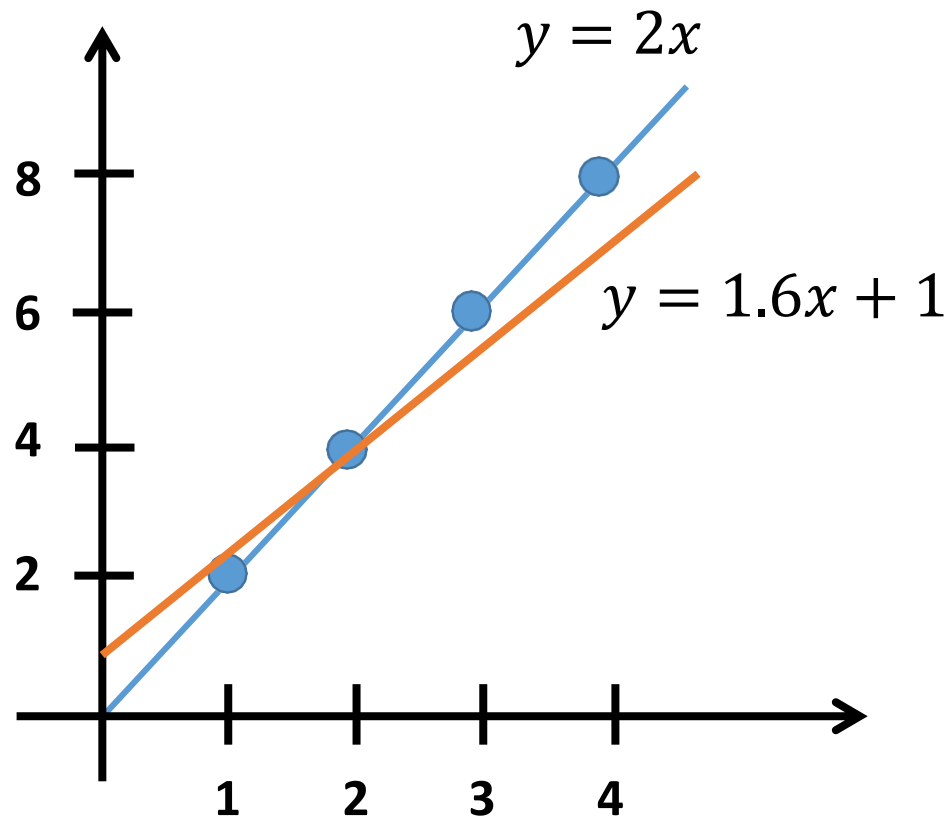
Ridge

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * Slope^2$$

$$0 + 1 * 2^2$$

4

Ridge Regression



$Slope = 1.6$ $\lambda = 1$
 $Intercept = 1$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * Slope^2$$

x	y	\hat{y}	$(y - \hat{y})^2$
1	2	2.6	0.36
2	4	4.2	0.04
3	6	5.8	0.04
4	8	7.4	0.36
Sum of Squared Differences			0.80

$$Penalty = \lambda * Slope^2 = 1 * 1.6^2 = 2.56$$

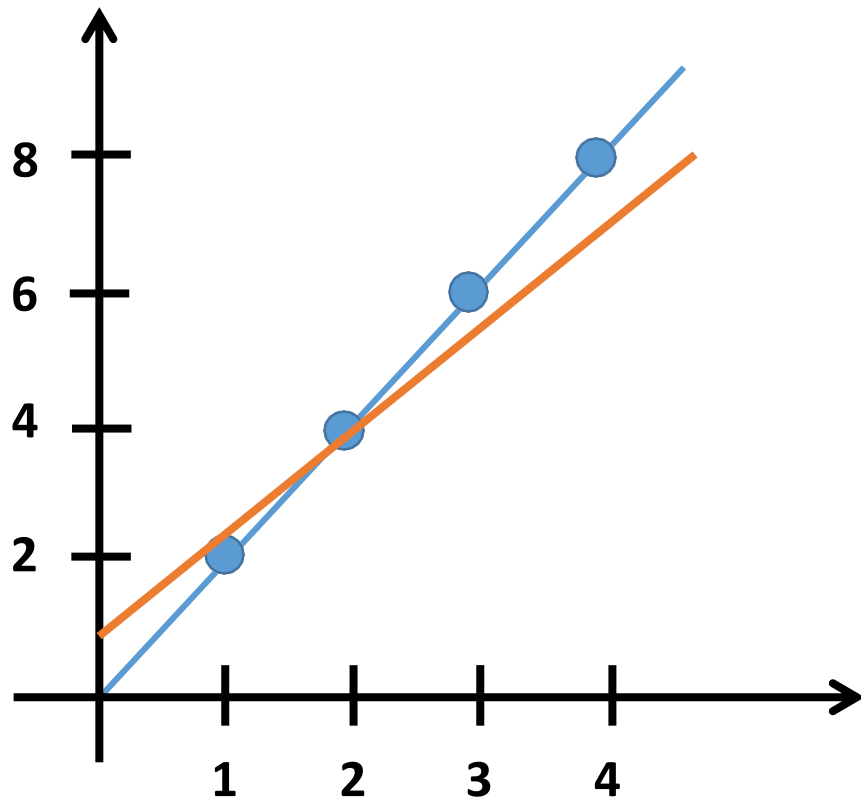
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$$0.8 + 2.56$$

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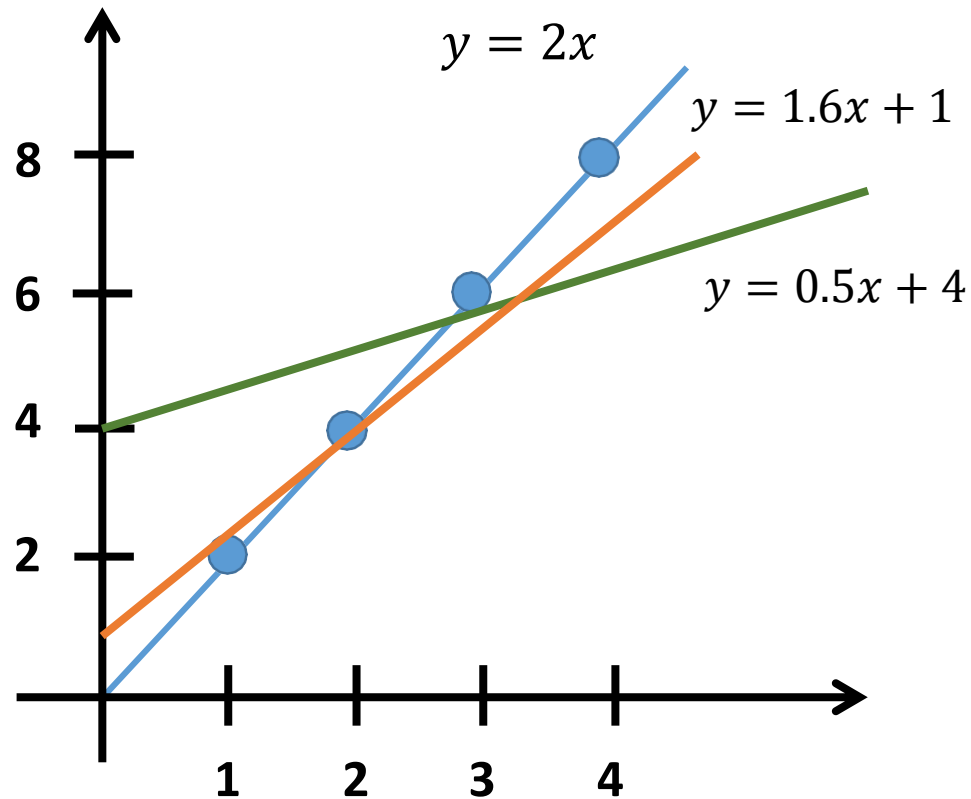
$$3.36 < 4$$

Ridge Regression



OLS	Ridge
$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$	$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * Slope^2$
0	3.36 < 4
$y = 2x$	$y = 1.6x + 1$
Higher Dependency on X	Lesser Dependency on X

Effect of Lambda Values



$\lambda = 1$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * Slope^2$$

$$3.36 < 4$$

$$y = 1.6x + 1$$

Lesser Dependency on X

$\lambda = 10$

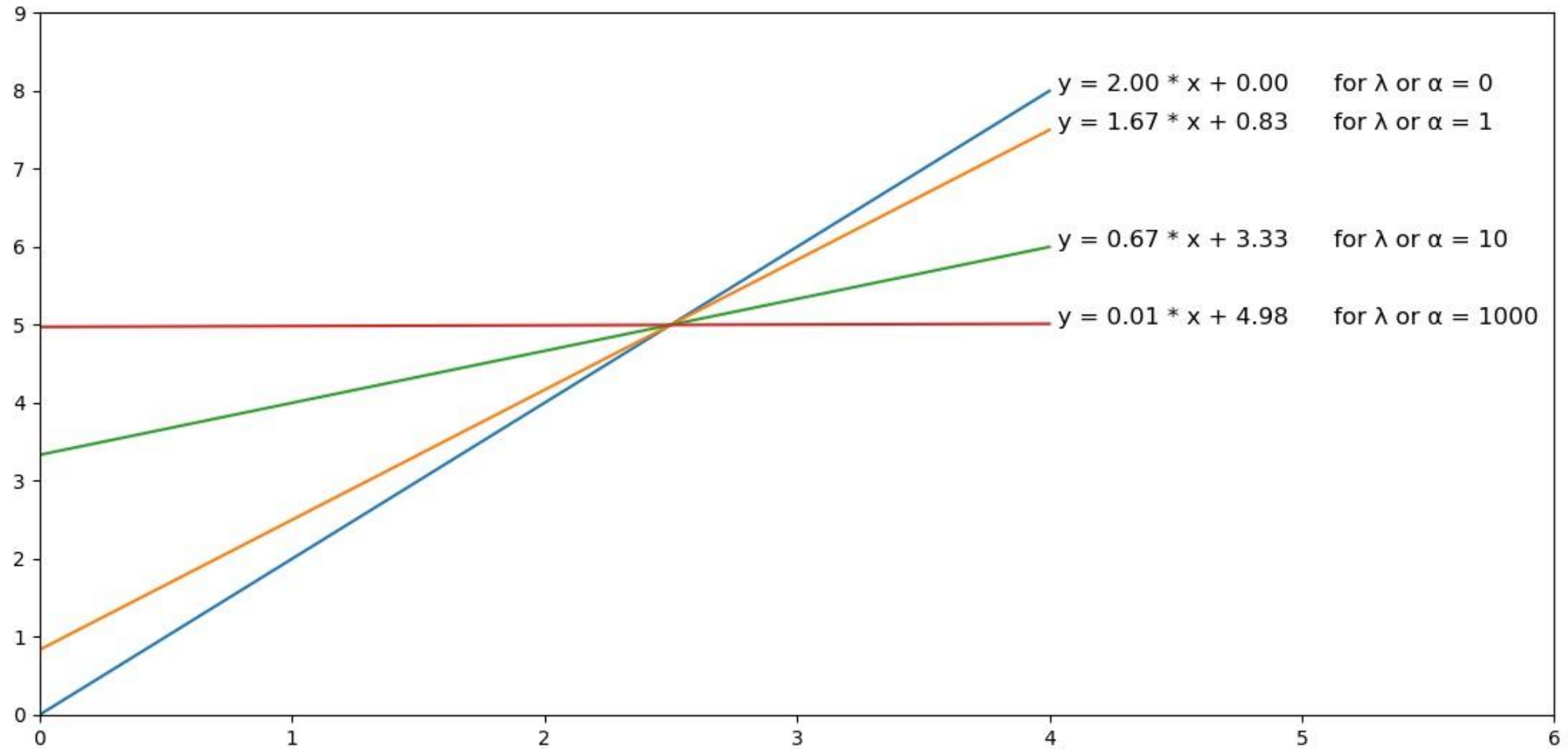
$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * Slope^2$$

$$14 < 40$$

$$y = 0.5x + 4$$

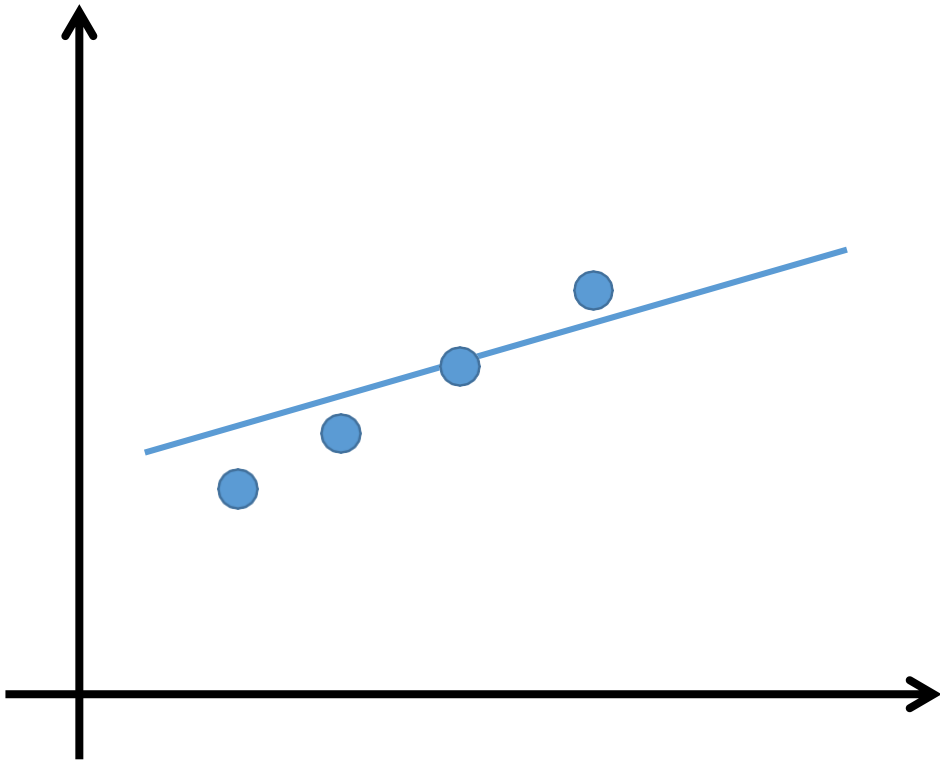
Reduced Dependency on X

Effect of Penalty Parameter



Lasso or L1 Regularization

Lasso Regression



Minimum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * |Slope|$$

Ridge

$$\lambda * Slope^2$$

Shrinks some of the coefficient **to near zero**.

All features are important.

Lasso

$$\lambda * |Slope|$$

Shrinks some of the coefficients **to zero**.

Some features can be eliminated.

Effect of Lasso and Ridge



Feature
Selection



Multicollinearity

Dataset

$$x_2 = 1.8 * x_1$$

X1	X2	X3	X4	X5	X6	X7	X8	X9	X10	X11	X12	X13	X14	X15	Y
7	12.6	2	16	12	19	19	2	5	11	13	12	6	20	10	294.958
4	7.2	13	14	12	16	11	18	20	1	9	6	17	17	19	344.721
10	18	20	9	2	10	14	7	3	9	15	19	2	14	14	343.366
15	27	1	20	2	18	18	15	8	14	11	4	19	5	6	280.772
6	10.8	20	2	17	16	15	11	4	13	20	2	19	20	19	374.397
16	28.8	2	7	15	1	8	20	5	14	11	1	6	18	2	296.258
5	9	14	9	3	8	20	10	7	10	3	15	1	5	14	304.648

Decreasing Coefficients

Multicollinearity

Lasso Reduces features to zero.

Built-in or Embedded
Feature Selection

lasso_coeff - NumPy array

	0
0	0
1	1.73092
2	3.93145
3	3.186
4	4.26593
5	1.27754
6	1.64825
7	0.667189
8	0
9	0
10	0.693323
11	0.503958
12	-0.167953

ridge_coeff - NumPy array

	0
0	0.701688
1	1.26304
2	3.63254
3	2.9671
4	3.84582
5	0.940411
6	1.87288
7	0.76604
8	0.240041
9	0.598008
10	1.15741
11	0.902706
12	-0.0160783

Ridge

$$\lambda * Slope^2$$

Shrinks some of the coefficient **to near zero**.

Can not be used for feature selection.

Makes correlated features coefficients smaller.

Makes sense when all features are important.

Lasso

$$\lambda * |slope|$$

Shrinks some of the coefficients **to zero**.

Performs Embedded feature Selection

Makes some of the correlated features irrelevant.

Can be used when some features can be eliminated.