

Regularization:-

* It is a technique to prevent the model from overfitting by adding extra information to it.

* If the model gets overfitted, then it has low bias with training data, but there will be high variance with testing data.

* If there is high variance with testing data then predicting accuracy will be very poor.

* So to overcome this we use regularization in order to reduce the magnitude of the features.

* In layman terms, the process of reducing the steepness or slope of best fit line to make best fit line as generalized line.

* There are 2 types of regularization technique

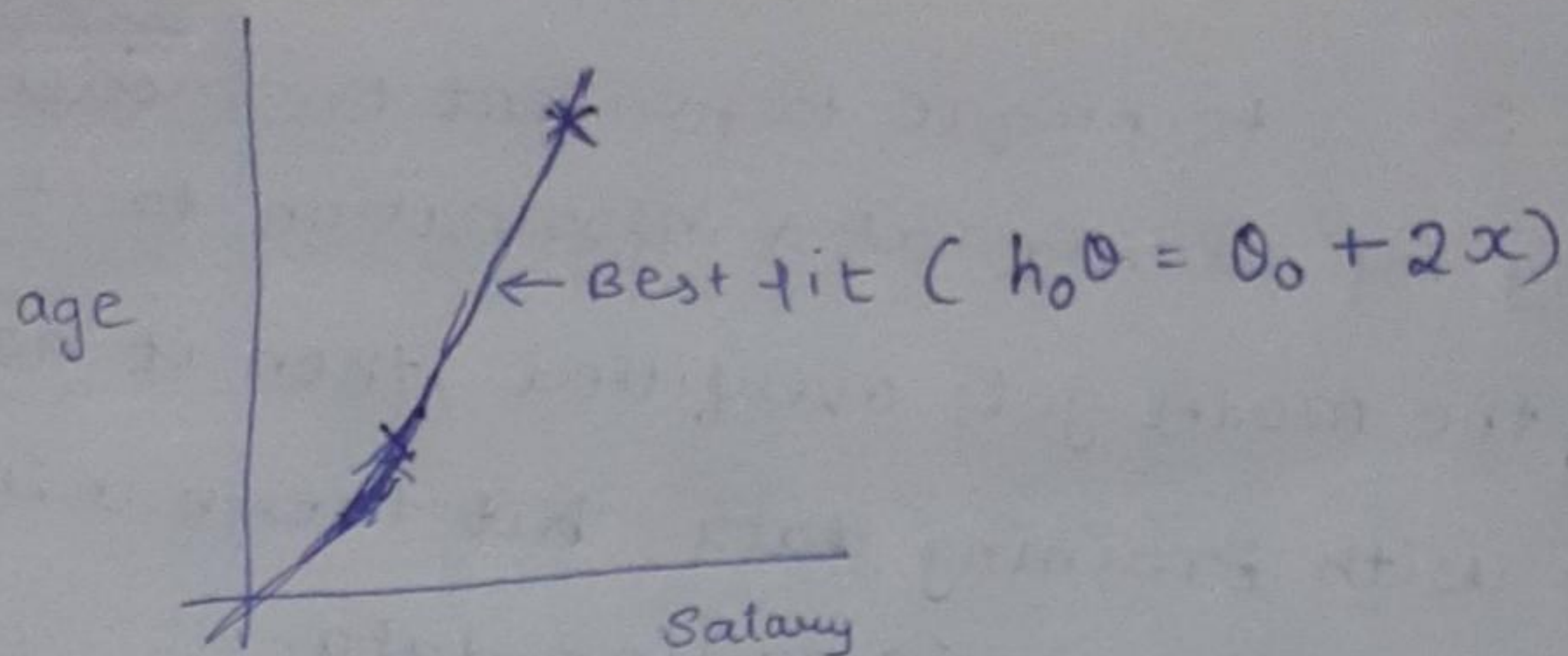
- i) Ridge regression
- ii) Lasso regression.

Ridge regression:- (L2 regularization)

* Here we will add small amount of bias to the cost function.

* The cost function is altered by adding the penalty term to it.

* The amount of bias added to the model is called ridge regression penalty.



* Let's take example of linear regression, here the best fit line is overfitted.

For this the cost function

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = 0$$

* So now we want to make this overfitting to generalized one.

* Cost function in ridge reg:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left[y_i - \theta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p \theta_j x_{ij} \right]^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \theta_j^2$$

\downarrow RSS \downarrow hyper Parameter \downarrow adding Penalty or bias

~~* the hyperparameter λ can be tuned as per our wish but $\lambda > 0$ $\lambda \geq 0$~~

* In the above example of age vs salary, the best fit line pass through all the pts. So, $J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = 0$

* we can get λ from cross validation

* Let's consider $\theta_1 = 2$ as it passes through origin

$$\text{So, } J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = 0$$

Let's say $\lambda = 1$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - \theta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p \theta_j x_{ij}]^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \theta_j^2$$

$$= \underbrace{[y_1 - \theta_0 - \theta_1 x_1]^2}_{=0} + \lambda \theta_1^2$$

$$= 0 + \lambda \theta_1^2$$

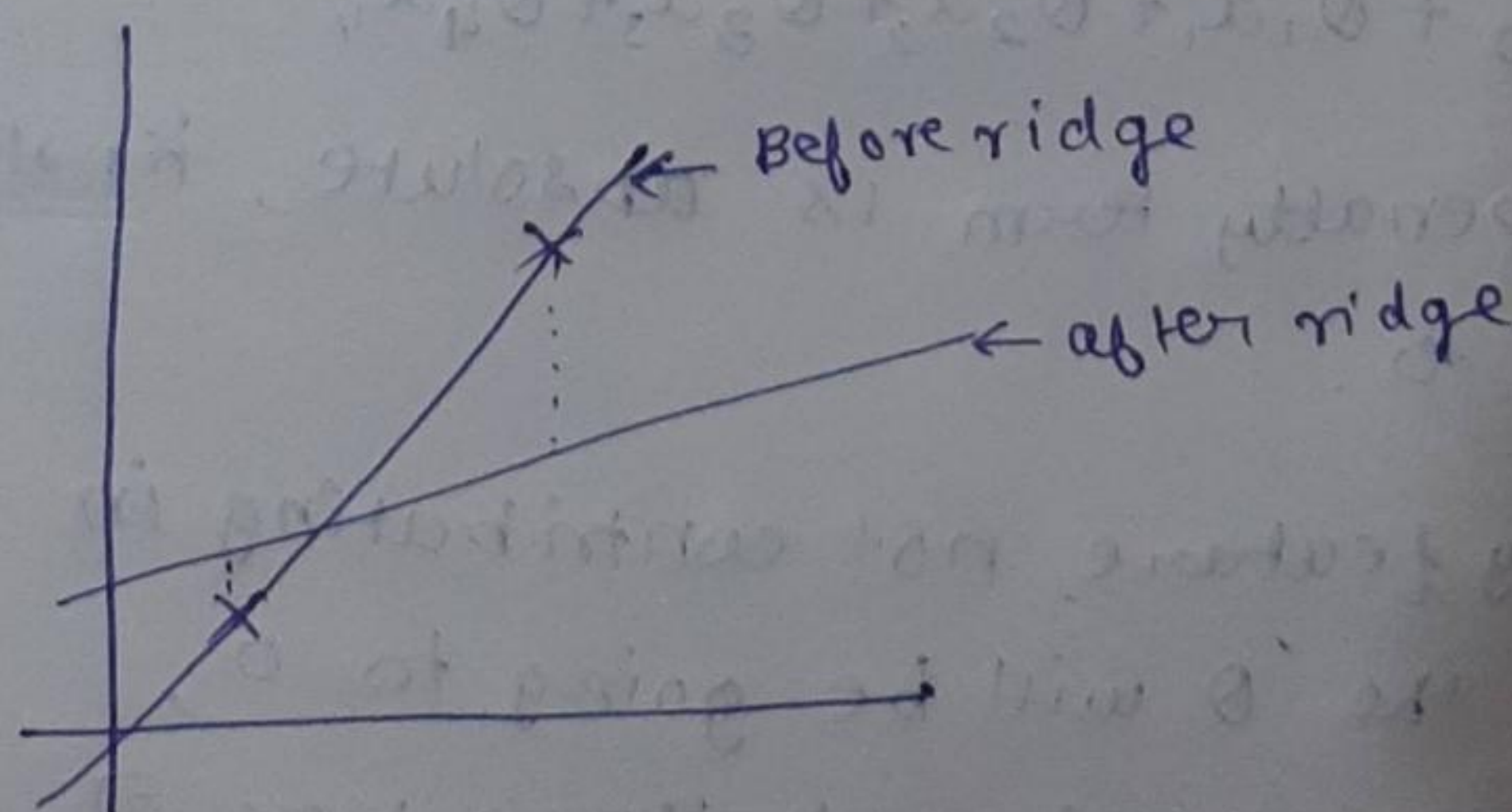
$$= (1)(2)^2$$

$$= 4$$

Now we want to reduce this J nearer to zero, but not = 0 because there is θ_1^2 so for that ~~result~~ cost function

A convergence alg will take several iterations,

like that it will get reduced up to some extent



* The slope will get reduced

* This solves overfitting

* Solves high collinearity

Lasso regression :- (L1 regularization)

* The aim is same as ridge regression, but it has only a small difference in the penalty term.

* The cost function for Lasso reg is

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left[y_i - \theta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p \theta_j x_{ij} \right]^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p |\theta_j|$$

* It uses magnitude of slopes, so, this alg can take slope to 0.

* Like wise it solves overfitting same as ridge.

* But Lasso regression will also perform feature selection automatically in the process.

* Suppose we have 4 indep features & 1 depend feature, the best fit equation will be

$$h_0 = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 + \theta_4 x_4$$

* Since the penalty term is absolute, its slope can reach to 0.

* So if any feature not contributing in prediction the θ will be going to 0, so it will cancel out the feature & reduce the complexity.

• For example in reducing process θ_3 & θ_4 became 0 then

$$h_{\theta} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2$$

• ~~Hence~~ Hence, slope reduced, as well as feature selection has been done.