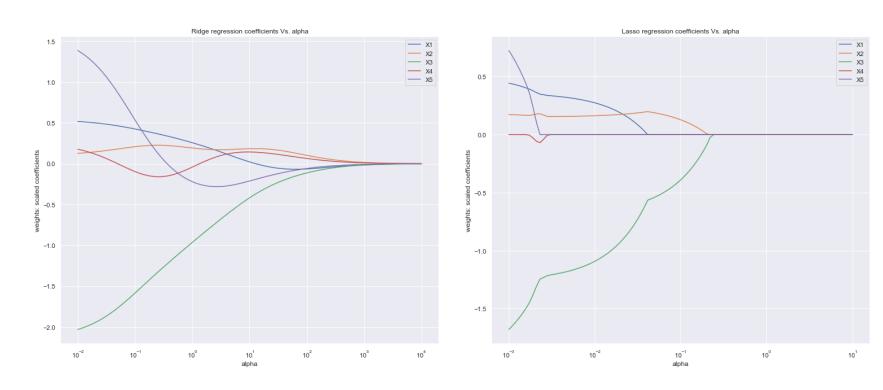


## Class 9- Regularization (Ridge, Lasso and Elastic Net)



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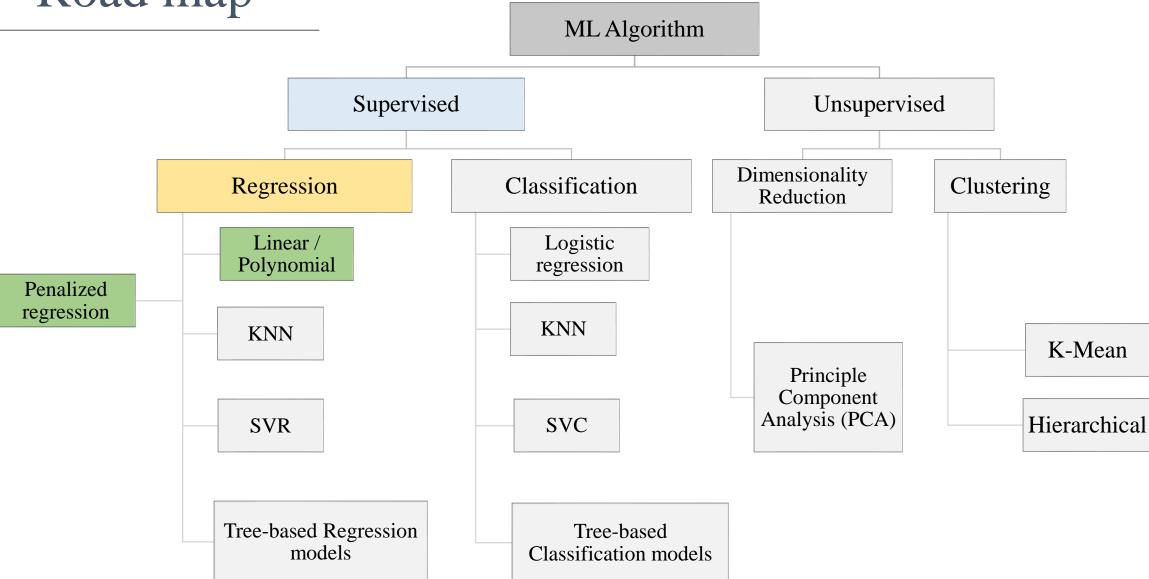






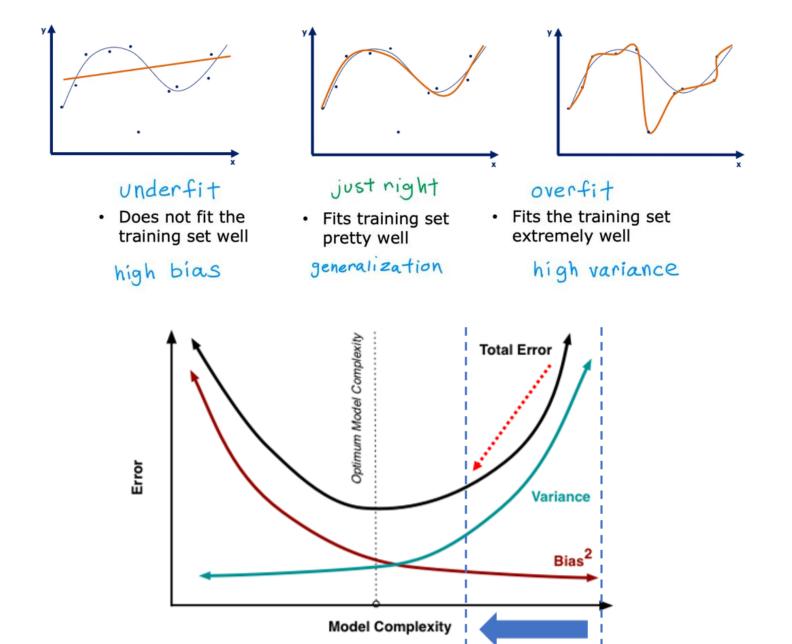


## Road map





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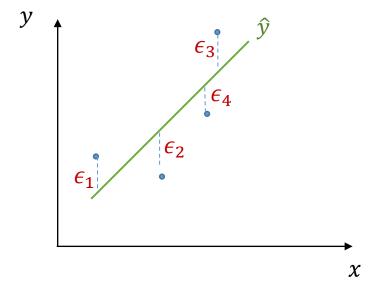
### Norms

- In mathematics, the norm of a vector is its length.
- ➤ In regression analysis, to fit our linear model, we need a measure of mismatch!
- > Our vector is error at each training data. We want to measure the length of error!
- L1 norm: Least absolute errors
   Manhattan norm

$$L^1 = \sum_{i} |\epsilon_i|$$

• L2 norm: Least squares
Euclidean norm

$$L^2 = \sum (\epsilon_i)^2$$



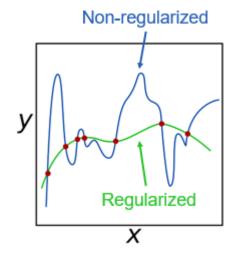




## Regularization

- ☐ In machine learning there are often many features (usually correlated with each other). This can lead to overfitting and models that are unnecessarily complex.
- Regularization force the learning algorithm to build a less complex model. In practice, that often leads to slightly higher bias but significantly reduces the variance.
- ✓ The two most widely used types of regularization are called L1 and L2 regularization. The idea is quite simple. To create a regularized model, we modify the loss function by adding a penalizing term whose value is higher when the model is more complex.

$$Min_{w,b} (MSE + penalty) = Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + penalty(w) \right]$$
 (fit data) (regularize)



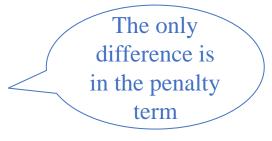




## Penalized regression

$$Min_{w,b} (MSE + penalty) = Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + penalty(w) \right]$$

- Penalized regression is useful for reducing a large number of features to a manageable set and for making good predictions especially where features are correlated (i.e., when classical linear regression breaks down).
- Penalized regression can be used to avoid overfitting.
- To use the penalized regression, we need to first standardize the features. This will allow us to compare the magnitudes of regression coefficients for the feature variables.
  - 1) Ridge regression
  - 2) LASSO regression
  - 3) Elastic Net regression





# Part I Ridge Regression



## 1) Ridge regression

$$\begin{aligned} Min_{w,b} \left( MSE + penalty \right) &= Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + penalty(w) \right] \\ &= Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{D} w_j^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Ridge regression uses L2 norm.
- The shrinkage penalty has the effect of shrinking the estimates of  $w_i$  towards zero.
- The tuning parameter  $\lambda$  serves to control the relative impact of the penalty term on the regression coefficient estimates.
- Selecting a good value for  $\lambda$  is critical; cross-validation is used for this.
- It is best to apply ridge regression after variable standardization.

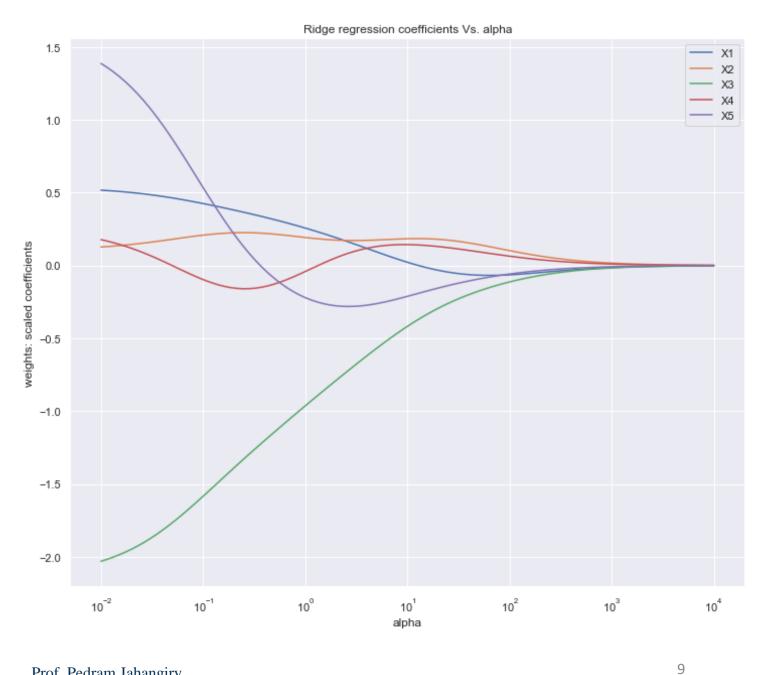


#### The true model is:

$$y = f(x) = x + 2x^2 - 3x^3 + \epsilon$$

#### <u>Imposed functional form:</u>

$$\hat{y} = b + w_1 x + w_2 x^2 + w_3 x^3 + w_4 x^4 + w_5 x^5$$





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# Part II LASSO Regression





## 2) LASSO regression

$$\begin{aligned} Min_{w,b} \left( MSE + penalty \right) &= Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + penalty(w) \right] \\ &= Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{D} |w_j| \right] \end{aligned}$$

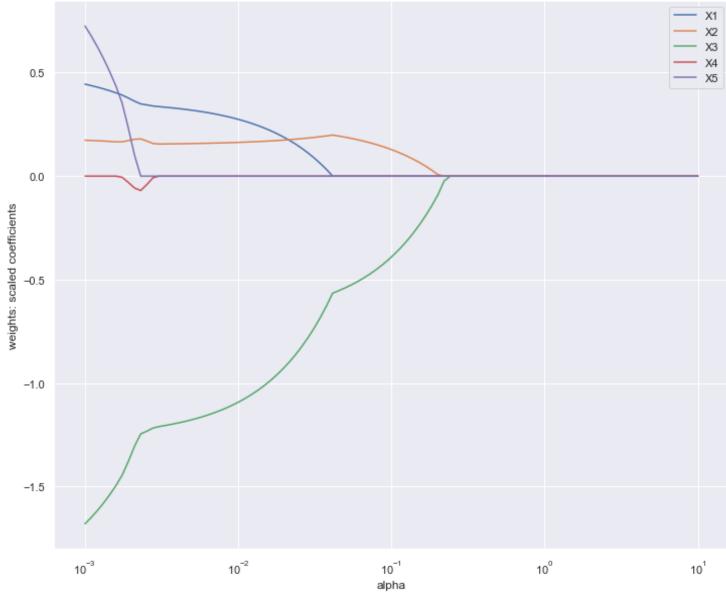
- LASSO stands for "Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator"
- LASSO regression uses L1 norm.
- LASSO eliminates the least important features from the model, it automatically performs a type of **feature selection**.
- Selecting a good value for  $\lambda$  is critical; cross-validation is used for this.
- It is best to apply LASSO regression after variable standardization.



$$y = f(x) = x + 2x^2 - 3x^3 + \epsilon$$

#### <u>Imposed functional form:</u>

$$\hat{y} = w_1 x + w_2 x^2 + w_3 x^3 + w_4 x^4 + w_5 x^5$$

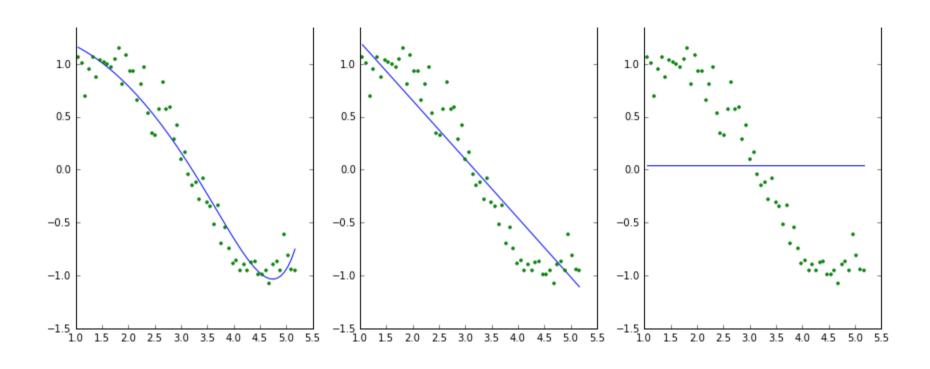






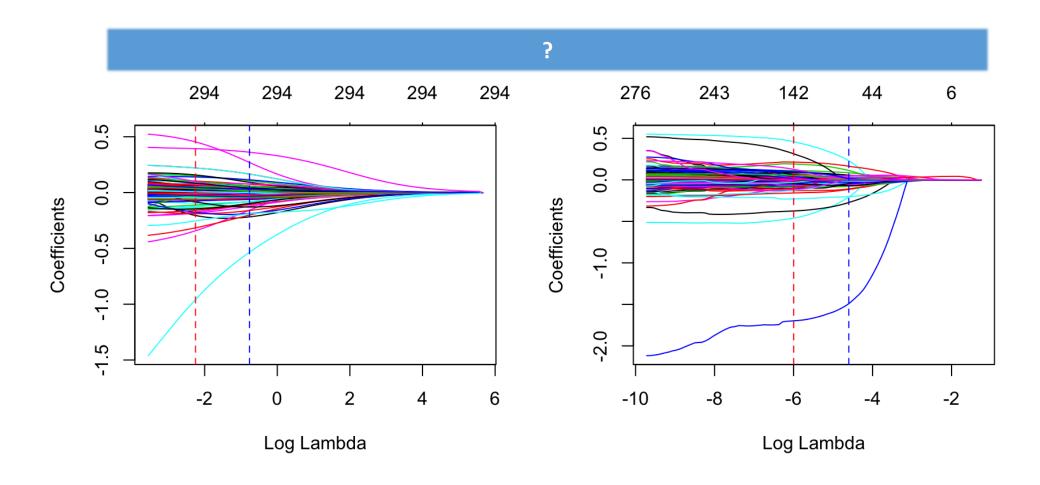
## Ridge and LASSO vs Lambda

#### As $\lambda$ increases, the model becomes simpler





## Question: Ridge vs LASSO?

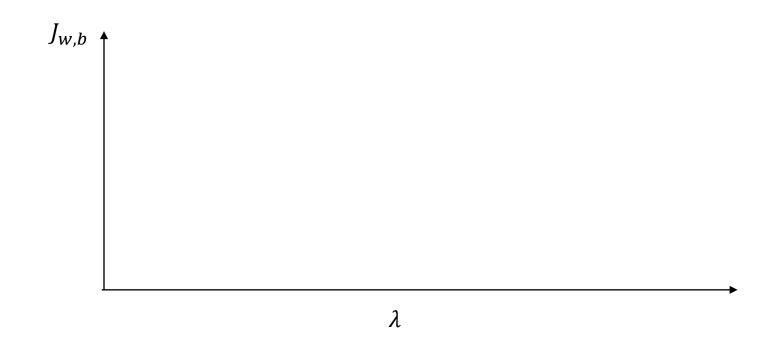






### Question: Cost function vs Lambda

$$J_{w,b} (MSE + penalty) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i))^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{D} |w_j|$$





## Part III Elastic Net Regression





## 3) Elastic Net Regression

$$\begin{aligned} Min_{w,b} \ (MSE + penalty) &= Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + penalty(w) \right] \\ &= Min \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( y_i - f_{w,b}(X_i) \right)^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_{j=1}^{D} |w_j| + \lambda_2 \sum_{j=1}^{D} w_j^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

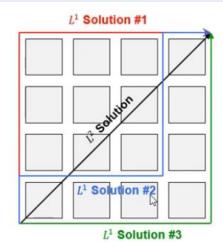
- In LASSO some weights are reduced to zero, but others may be quite large. In Ridge, weights are small in magnitude, but they are not reduced to zero.
- In Elastic Net, we may be able to get the best of both worlds by making some weights zero while reducing the magnitude of the others.





## Ridge vs LASSO vs Elastic Net

Property	Ridge	LASSO	Elastic Net
Can shrink the coefficient estimate toward zero?			
Can include all the features in the model even with large $\lambda$ ?			
Can force some of the coefficient estimates to be exactly = 0?  Hence, can be used for <u>feature selection</u> ?  Or <u>sparse output</u> ? More explainable?			
Is robust : resistant to <u>outliers</u> ?			
No Analytical solution i.e., requires gradient descent?			
Always unique solution?			





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## Appendix Behind the Scenes!



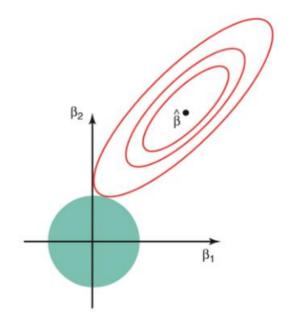




## Ridge regression, behind the scene!

Why the ridge regression shrinks the estimates of coefficients towards zero and NOT exactly zero? (why ridge regression cannot be used for feature selection?)

minimize 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j x_{ij} \right)^2$$
 subject to  $\sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j^2 \le s$ ,



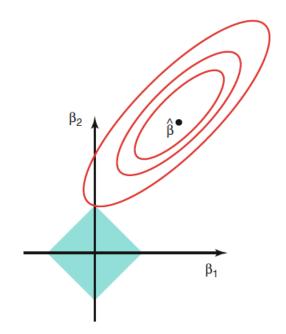




### LASSO regression, behind the scene?

Why is it that the lasso, unlike ridge regression, results in coefficient estimates that are exactly equal to zero?

minimize 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j x_{ij} \right)^2$$
 subject to  $\sum_{j=1}^{p} |\beta_j| \le s$ 







## LASSO vs Ridge vs Elastic Net, behind the scene?

