# SD204: Ridge / Tikhonov

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#### Reminder

$$\mathbf{y} = X\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

- $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  observations
- $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  is the design matrix (column-wise: features)
- $oldsymbol{ heta}^{\star} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  is the **true** model parameter we aim at finding
- $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the noise

Rem: possibly a supplementary variable is added for the constants

# Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

#### Theorem Golub and Van Loan (2013)

For any matrix  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ , there exists two orthogonal matrices  $U = [\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $V = [\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p] \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ , such that  $U^\top X V = \mathrm{diag}(s_1, \dots, s_{\mathrm{rg}(X)}) = \Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ 

with  $s_1 \geqslant s_2 \geqslant \cdots \geqslant s_{\operatorname{rg}(X)} > 0$ , with  $\operatorname{rg}(X) = \operatorname{rang}(X)$ .

$$X = U\Sigma V^{\top} \Leftrightarrow X = \sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} s_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^{\top}$$

**A** least squares solution is then:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\text{OLS}} = X^{+}\mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \frac{1}{s_{i}} \mathbf{v}_{i} \mathbf{u}_{i}^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

#### Numerical instabilities

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\mathrm{OLS}} = X^{+}\mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^{\mathrm{rg}(X)} \frac{1}{s_{i}} \mathbf{v}_{i} \mathbf{u}_{i}^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

If the smallest singular values  $s_i$  get close to zero then the numerical solution of the SVD is unstable!

Rem: this drawback is common not only for least squares, but also to other inverse problems (also referred to as "ill posed" in numerical analysis and signal processing)

### **Normal equations**

A solution least squares solution  $\theta$  need to satisfy:

$$X^{\top}X\dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = X^{\top}\mathbf{y} \Leftrightarrow V\Sigma^{\top}\Sigma V^{\top}\boldsymbol{\theta} = V\Sigma^{\top}U^{\top}\mathbf{y}$$

and if we look for  $\pmb{\theta}$  with the following form:  $\pmb{\theta} = V \pmb{\beta}$ , this is equivalent to

$$\Sigma^{\top} \Sigma \boldsymbol{\beta} = \Sigma^{\top} U^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

 $\Sigma^{ op}\Sigma$  diagonal with  $r=\mathrm{rang}(X)$  non zero elements that are the  $s_i^2$ 

$$\Sigma^{\top} \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} s_1^2 & & 0 & & \\ & \ddots & & 0 \\ 0 & & s_r^2 & & \\ & 0 & & 0 & \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$$

## Normal equations (continued)

Regularized alternative: solve normal equations where

$$\begin{bmatrix} s_1^2 & & 0 & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & s_r^2 & & \\ & 0 & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{replaced by } \begin{bmatrix} s_1^2 & & 0 & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & s_r^2 & & \\ & & 0 & & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_p$$

It can be re-written by:

$$(\lambda \operatorname{Id}_p + \Sigma^{\top} \Sigma) \boldsymbol{\beta} = \Sigma^{\top} U^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

i.e., we add a small  $\lambda>0$  to all the eigen values of  $X^{\top}X$ ,  $\lambda$  being called the regularization parameter

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_p + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{\top} \boldsymbol{U}^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

and hence

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = V(\lambda \operatorname{Id}_p + \Sigma^{\mathsf{T}} \Sigma)^{-1} \Sigma^{\mathsf{T}} U^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{y}$$

## Ridge: explicit formulation

With the SVD, the following equation simplifies:

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = V(\lambda \operatorname{Id}_p + \Sigma^{\top} \Sigma)^{-1} \Sigma^{\top} U^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

This gives a simple formulation for the Ridge estimator

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}} = (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

Reminder: under the full rank hypothesis  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{OLS} = (X^{\top}X)^{-1}X^{\top}\mathbf{y}$ 

Rem: 
$$\lim_{\lambda \to 0^+} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\mathrm{OLS}}$$

$$\lim_{\lambda \to +\infty} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^{p}$$

#### Kernel trick

Kernel trick: According to whether n>p or  $n\leqslant p$ , it is more suitable to consider the following equivalent formulation of the Ridge estimator:

$$X^{\top} (XX^{\top} + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{y} = (X^{\top} X + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_p)^{-1} X^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

- ▶ LHS: inverse/solve an  $n \times n$  matrix
- ▶ RHS: inverse/solve an  $p \times p$  matrix

Rem: this property is also useful for kernel method such as SVM (cf. machine learning course)

**Exo**: Show the kernel trick using the SVD of X

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## Ridge / Tikhonov : penalized definition

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^p} \quad \left( \quad \underbrace{\|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2}_{\text{data fitting}} \quad + \underbrace{\lambda \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2}_{\text{regularization}} \right)$$

- Note that the *Ridge* estimator is **unique** for any fixed  $\lambda > 0$
- We recover the limiting cases:

$$\lim_{\lambda o 0} \hat{m{ heta}}_{\lambda}^{ ext{rdg}} = \hat{m{ heta}}^{ ext{OLS}} ext{(solution with smallest } \| \cdot \|_2 ext{ norm)} \ \lim_{\lambda o +\infty} \hat{m{ heta}}_{\lambda}^{ ext{rdg}} = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Link between the two formulation thanks to the first order conditions: for  $f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2/2 + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2/2$   $\nabla f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = X^\top (X\boldsymbol{\theta} - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda \boldsymbol{\theta} = 0 \Leftrightarrow (X^\top X + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_p) \boldsymbol{\theta} = X^\top \mathbf{y}$ 

## **Constraint interpretation**

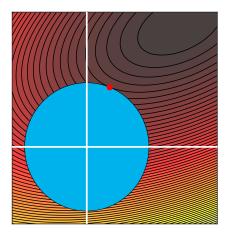
A "Lagrangian" formulation is as follows:

has for a certain 
$$T>0$$
 the same solution as: 
$$\begin{cases} \arg\min_{{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\in\mathbb{R}^p}\|{\mathbf{y}}-X{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\|_2^2\\ \text{s.t. } \|{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\|_2^2\leqslant T \end{cases}$$

Rem: the link  $T \leftrightarrow \lambda$  is not explicit!

- If  $T \to 0$  we recover the null vector:  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^p$
- If  $T \to \infty$  we recover  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\text{OLS}}$  (un-constrained)

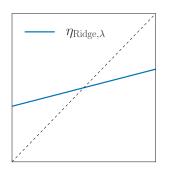
#### Level lines and and constraints set



Optimization under  $\ell_2$  constraints

## The orthogonal case

Consider the simple case: 
$$X^{\top}X = \mathrm{Id}_p$$
 
$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = (\lambda \, \mathrm{Id}_p + X^{\top}X)^{-1}X^{\top}\mathbf{y}$$
 
$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = (\lambda \, \mathrm{Id}_p + \mathrm{Id}_p)^{-1}X^{\top}\mathbf{y} = \frac{1}{\lambda + 1}X^{\top}\mathbf{y}$$
 
$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{1}{\lambda + 1}\mathbf{y} = (\eta_{\mathrm{rdg},\lambda}(\mathbf{y}_i))_{i=1,\dots,n}$$



Rem: the real function  $\eta_{\mathrm{rdg},\lambda}$  is a linear contraction (shrinkage)

## **Associated prediction**

From the Ridge coefficient:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_p + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

the associated prediction is given by:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = X \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}} = X (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_p + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

Rem: the estimator  $\hat{y}$  is linear w.r.t. y

Rem: the matrix

$$H_{\lambda} = X(\lambda \operatorname{Id}_p + X^{\top}X)^{-1}X^{\top} = \sum_{j=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \frac{s_j^2}{s_j^2 + \lambda} \mathbf{u}_j \mathbf{u}_j^{\top}$$
. is the equivalent of the **hat matrix**

If  $\lambda \neq 0$ , we do not have  $H_{\lambda}^2 = H_{\lambda} = \sum_{j=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \mathbf{u}_j \mathbf{u}_j^{\mathsf{T}}$  anymore, so  $H_{\lambda}$  is not a projection (in general).

#### N remarks

Reminder: normalizing the p features the same way is necessary if you want the penalty to be similar for all features:

- center the observation and the features ⇒ no coefficient for the constants (hence no constraint on it)
- not centering features ⇒ do not put constraint on the constant feature (bias/intercept)

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^p} \|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta} - \theta_0 \mathbf{1}_n\|_2^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \theta_j^2$$

Alternative (without normalization): change the penalty in

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^p}{\arg\min} \|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j \boldsymbol{\theta}_j^2 \quad (e.g., \ \alpha_j = \|\mathbf{x}_j\|_2^2)$$

Rem: for cross validation one can use  $\frac{\|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2}{2n}$  rather than  $\frac{\|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2}{2}$  as the data fitting part

## Normalization (continued)

Consider the estimator Ridge with variables  $X' = [\mathbf{x}_1', \dots, \mathbf{x}_K']$ , such that there exist a linear link  $\sum_{k=1}^K \mu_k \mathbf{x}_k' = 1$  (e.g., qualitative variable):

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}} = \underset{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^{p}, \boldsymbol{\theta}' \in \mathbb{R}^{K}}{\text{arg min}} \|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta} - X'\boldsymbol{\theta}' - \theta_{0}\mathbf{1}_{n}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} \theta_{j}^{2} + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{K} \theta_{k}'^{2}$$

is equivalent to solve :

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}} = \underset{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^{p}, \boldsymbol{\theta}' \in \mathbb{R}^{K}}{\text{arg min}} \|\mathbf{y} - X\boldsymbol{\theta} - X'\boldsymbol{\theta}' - \theta_{0}\mathbf{1}_{n}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} \theta_{j}^{2} + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{K} \theta_{k}'^{2}$$

Exo: proof; help: cf. [Par06, page 35]

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#### General form of the bias

Under Additive White Gaussian Noise (AWGN) assumption  $\mathbf{y} = X\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  with  $\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = 0$ :

$$\mathbb{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}}) = \mathbb{E}[(\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} \mathbf{y}]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} X \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star} + (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}]$$

$$= (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} X \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \frac{s_{i}^{2}}{s_{i}^{2} + \lambda} \mathbf{v}_{i} \mathbf{v}_{i}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}$$

Rem: one recovers 
$$\mathbb{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\text{OLS}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^{\top} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}$$
 when  $\lambda \to 0$ 

Rem: the bias is 
$$\mathbb{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}}) - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star} = -\lambda (X^{\top}X + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_p)^{-1}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}$$

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## Variance in the general case

Under the assumption  $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon) = 0$ , and with a homoscedastic model:  $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon \varepsilon^\top) = \sigma^2 \operatorname{Id}_n$ 

#### Variance / Covariance

$$V_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} = \mathbb{E}\left((\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} - \mathbb{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}}))(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} - \mathbb{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}})^{\top}\right)$$

#### Explicit computation:

$$V_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}} = \mathbb{E}((\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} \varepsilon \varepsilon^{\top} X (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1})$$

$$= (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1} X^{\top} \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon \varepsilon^{\top}) X (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-1}$$

$$= \sigma^{2} (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p} + X^{\top} X)^{-2} X^{\top} X$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \frac{s_{i}^{2} \sigma^{2}}{(s_{i}^{2} + \lambda)^{2}} \mathbf{v}_{i} \mathbf{v}_{i}^{\top}$$

Rem: one recovers  $V^{\text{OLS}} = \sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \frac{\sigma^2}{s_i^2} \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^{\top}$  when  $\lambda \to 0$ 

Rem: one find a null variance when  $\lambda \to \infty$ 

#### **Prediction risk**

Homoscedastic assumption:  $\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{\top}) = \sigma^2 \operatorname{Id}_n$ 

# Quadratic prediction risk $\mathbb{E}\|X {m{ heta}^{\star}} - X \hat{{m{ heta}}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}}\|^2$

Under the Homoscedastic assumption:

$$R_{\mathrm{pred}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}}) = \mathbb{E}\left[(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star})^{\top} (\boldsymbol{X}^{\top} \boldsymbol{X})(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star})\right]$$

Explicit computation (begins as for OLS):

$$R_{\text{pred}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}}) = \mathbb{E}\left[ (\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star})^{\top} (X^{\top}X) (\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\text{rdg}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}) \right]$$

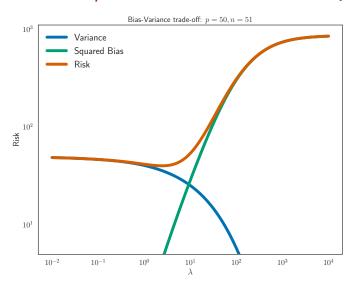
$$= \mathbb{E}\left[ (X(X^{\top}X + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p})^{-1} X^{\top} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^{\top} (X(X^{\top}X + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p})^{-1} X^{\top} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) \right]$$

$$+ \lambda^{2} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star \top} (X^{\top}X + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p})^{-2} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{rg}(X)} \frac{s_{i}^{4} \sigma^{2}}{(s_{i}^{2} + \lambda)^{2}} + \lambda^{2} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star \top} (X^{\top}X + \lambda \operatorname{Id}_{p})^{-2} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}$$

$$\underline{\mathsf{Rem}} : \lim_{\lambda \to 0} R_{\mathrm{pred}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}}) = \mathrm{rg}(X)\sigma^{2}, \lim_{\lambda \to \infty} R_{\mathrm{pred}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{rdg}}) = \|X\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star}\|_{2}^{2}$$

## Bias / Variance: simulated example



$$X \in \mathbb{R}^{51 \times 50}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\star} = (2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 0, \dots, 0)^{\top}$$

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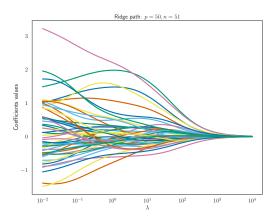
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### Choosing $\lambda$

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n_features = 50; n_samples = 50
X = np.random.randn(n_samples, n_features)
theta_true = np.zeros([n_features, ])
theta_true[0:5] = 2.
y_true = np.dot(X, theta_true)
y = y_true + 1. * np.random.rand(n_samples,)
```



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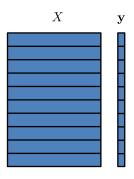
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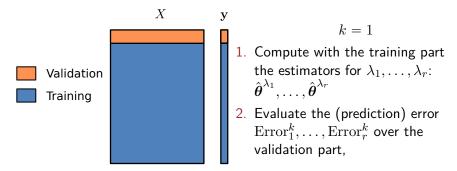
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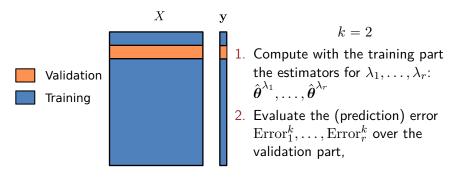
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- ▶ Divide (X, y) into K blocks (sample-wise):



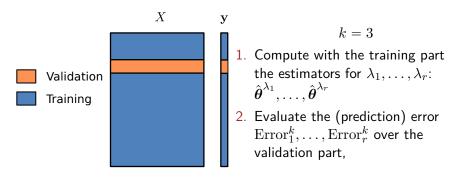
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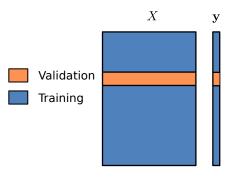
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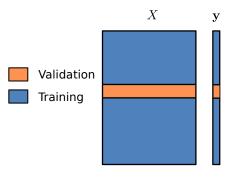
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$$k = 4$$

- 1. Compute with the training part the estimators for  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_r$ :  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\lambda_1}, \ldots, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\lambda_r}$
- 2. Evaluate the (prediction) error  $\operatorname{Error}_1^k, \ldots, \operatorname{Error}_r^k$  over the validation part,

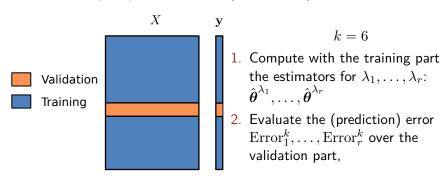
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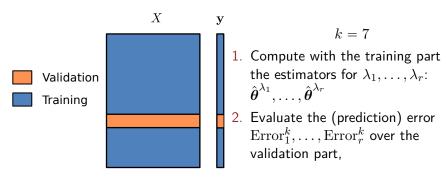
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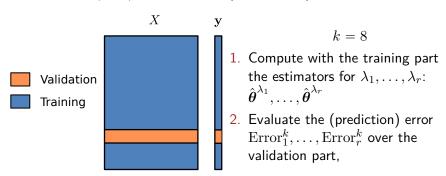
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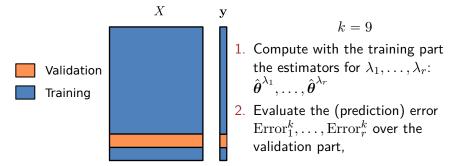
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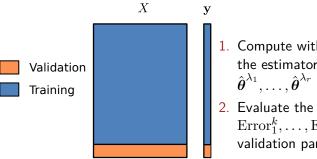
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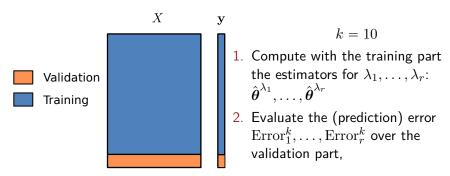
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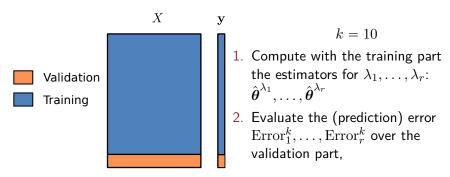
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## CV in practice

#### Extreme cases of CV

- K=1 impossible, needs K=2
- K = n, "leave-one-out" strategy (cf. Jackknife): as many blocks as observations

<u>Rem</u>: K = n (often) computationally efficient but instable

#### Practical advice:

- "randomise the sample": having samples in random order avoid artifacts block (each fold needs to be representative of the whole sample!)
- standard choices: K = 5, 10

<u>Alternatives</u>: random partition validation/test, time series variants, etc. <a href="http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/cross\_validation.html">http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/cross\_validation.html</a>

Rem: in prediction the best predictors can be averaged/combined instead of recomputing an estimators over the whole set

#### CV variants sklearn

Crucial points: the structures train/test artificially created should represent faithfully the underlying learning problem

#### Classical alternatives:

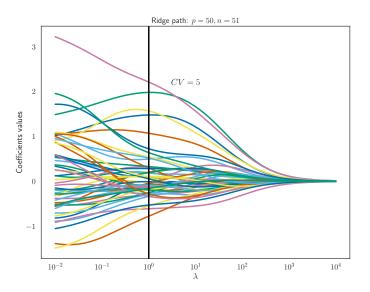
- random partitioning in train/test sets
  (cf. train\_test\_split)
- Time series variant: TimeSeriesSplit (never predict the past with future information)
- For classification tasks with unbalanced classes StratifiedKFold

<u>Rem</u>: averaging estimators (with weights reflecting their performance) is also relevant for prediction

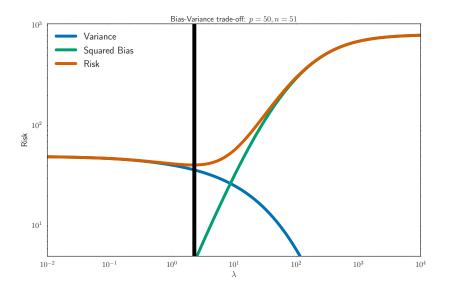
#### More details:

http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/cross\_validation.html

# Choosing $\lambda$ : example with CV = 5 (I)



# Choosing $\lambda$ : example with CV = 5 (II)



## Algorithms to compute the *Ridge* estimator

- 'svd': most stable method, useful for computing many  $\lambda$ 's cause the SVD price is paid only once
- 'cholesky': matrix decomposition leading to a close form solution scipy.linalg.solve
- 'sparse\_cg': conjugate gradient descent, useful also for sparse cases and high dimension (set tol/max\_iter to a small value)
- stochastic gradient descent approaches : if n is huge

cf. the code of Ridge, ridge\_path, RidgeCV in the module linear\_model of sklearn

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