# ML LECTURE-8

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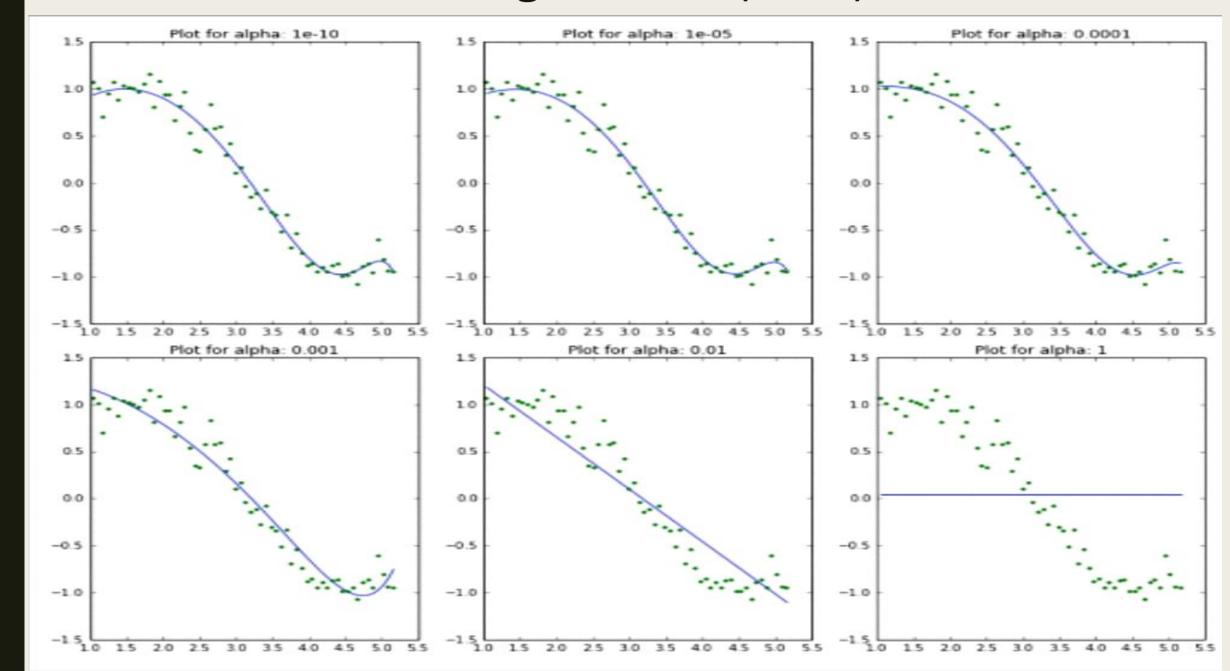
#### Regularization

- \* Regularization is a technique used in machine learning and statistical modelling to **prevent overfitting** and improve the generalization ability of models.
- **❖** When a model is **overfitting**, it has **learned the training data too well and may not perform well on new, unseen data.**
- Regularization introduces additional constraints or penalties to the model during the training process, aiming to control the complexity of the model and avoid over-reliance on specific features or patterns in the training data.
- ❖ By doing so, regularization helps to strike a balance between fitting the training data well and generalizing it well to new data.
- \* The most common regularization techniques used are L1 regularization (Lasso), L2 regularization (Ridge), and Elastic Net regularization.
- **L1 regularization adds the sum of the absolute values of the model's coefficients to the loss function,** encouraging sparsity and feature selection.
- **L2 regularization adds the sum of the squared values of the model's coefficients**, which enables smaller but non-zero coefficients.
- **❖** Finally, **Elastic Net regularization combines both L1 and L2 regularization.**

#### L1 - Regularization (Lasso)

- L1 regularization, also known as Lasso (Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator) regularization, adds the sum of the absolute values of the model's coefficients to the loss function.
- ❖ It encourages sparsity in the model by **shrinking some coefficients to precisely zero.**
- **❖** This has the effect of performing **feature selection**, **as the model can effectively ignore irrelevant or less important features.**
- ❖ L1 regularization is particularly useful when dealing with **high-dimensional datasets with desired** feature selection.
- ❖ Mathematically, the L1 regularization term can be written as:
- ❖ L1 regularization =  $\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i \hat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda * Σ | β_i|$
- $\clubsuit$  Here,  $\lambda$  is the regularization parameter that controls the strength of regularization,  $β_i$  represents the individual model coefficients and the sum is taken over all coefficients.

## L1 - Regularization (Lasso)



## L2 - Regularization (Ridge)

- L2 regularization, also known as Ridge regularization, adds the sum of the squared values of the model's coefficients to the loss function.
- Unlike L1 regularization, L2 regularization does not force the coefficients to be exactly zero but instead encourages them to be small.
- L2 regularization can **prevent overfitting** by spreading the influence of a single feature across multiple features.
- **!** It is advantageous when there are correlations between the input features.
- ❖ Mathematically, the L2 regularization term can be written as:
- Similar to L1 regularization,  $\lambda$  is the regularization parameter, and  $\beta_i$  represents the model coefficients.
- ❖ The sum is taken over all coefficients, and the squares of the coefficients are summed.

## L2 - Regularization (Ridge)

