

# P8106 Data Science Homework 1

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## Section 1: Setup

### Libraries and Options

### Prompt

In this exercise, we will predict solubility of compounds using their chemical structures.

The training data are in the file “solubility train.csv” and the test data are in “solubility test.csv”. Among the 228 predictors, 208 are binary variables that indicate the presence

or absence of a particular chemical substructure, 16 are count features, such as the number of bonds or the number of bromine atoms, and 4 are continuous features, such as molecular weight or surface area. The response is in the column “Solubility” (the last column).

### Questions

- Fit a linear model using least squares on the training data and calculate the mean squared error using the test data.
- Fit a ridge regression model on the training data, with  $\lambda$  chosen by cross-validation. Report the test error.
- Fit a lasso model on the training data, with  $\lambda$  chosen by cross-validation. Report the test error and the number of non-zero coefficient estimates in your model.
- Fit a principle component regression model on the training data, with  $M$  chosen by cross-validation. Report the test error and the value of  $M$  selected by cross-validation.
- Which model will you choose for predicting solubility?

## Section 2: Implementation and Results