Shrinkage Methods and Hyperparameter tunning

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Shrinkage Methods

We will talk about shrinkage methods

We saw last Monday how PCA can be used as a dimensionality reduction method. This can help us deal with data sets with many variables, high dimensional data. Another way to deal with high dimensional data is to use **feature selection**

Shrinkage Methods

Fit a model with all the predictors + constraints to the coefficient estimates

These constraints will typically try to drag the coefficients towards zero (hence the name)

Shrinkage methods can significantly reduce the variance of the coefficient estimates

Shrinkage Methods

Two best-known techniques

- Ridge regression
- Lasso regression

Ridge Regression

We recall that the least-squares estimator is found by minimizing RSS

$$ext{RSS} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - eta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j x_{ij}
ight)^2$$

ridge regression builds on this method

Ridge Regression

Introducing a shrinkage penalty

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - eta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j x_{ij}
ight)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j^2$$

where $\lambda \geq 0$ is a tuning parameter

Choice of λ

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - eta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j x_{ij}
ight)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j^2$$

The value of λ have a big effect on the parameter estimates

- If $\lambda = 0$ we don't have any penalization and we get the standard OLS estimates
- If $\lambda \to \infty$ then all the parameters estimates will be shrunk towards zero

Somewhere in the middle is where interesting things start to happen. The different coefficients will be shrunk at different rates

Choice of λ

There is no way to select the best value of λ from the data directly. We will have to try different values out and pick which one performs best

Luckily for this method, The algorithm can fit the model for multiple values of λ at once, leaving us with only 1 model fit

We will see later how this is done

Importance of variable scales

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - eta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j x_{ij}
ight)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j^2$$

In general, for regression models we are not worried about the scale of the variables as the fit will be the same regardless

However, the penalty term here is not scale-invariant

You must scale your variables to have them influence the model evenly

Bias - Variance trade-off

The beauty of this method is that different values of λ slides across the bias/variance spectrum

Lasso Regression

One of the main downsides to ridge regression is that the coefficients will not be shrunk to 0 exactly (unless $\lambda = \infty$)

We technically have to use all the parameters each time we predict and try to explain the model

Lasso regression tries to deal with this issue

Ridge regression

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - eta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j x_{ij}
ight)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j^2$$

Lasso Regression

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - eta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p eta_j x_{ij}
ight)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p |eta_j|$$

Lasso Regression

Lasso regression allows us to shrink some of the coefficients directly down to 0 depending on the value of λ

This allows Lasso to ask as a variable selection method

Fitting a Ridge Regression Model

First, let us select some data. We will be using the concrete data set from {modeldata}.

```
library(tidymodels)

data("biomass")

biomass_scaled <- biomass %>%
   select(where(is.numeric)) %>%
   scale() %>%
   as_tibble()
```

```
biomass scaled
## # A tibble: 536 x 6
##
      carbon hydrogen oxygen nitrogen
                                         sulfur
       <dbl>
                 <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                                  <dbl>
                                          <dbl>
   1 0.149 0.152
                        0.404
                                -0.561 -0.482
                                                 \odot .
                        0.252
                                -0.737
##
   2 0.118
              0.202
                                        -0.482
                                                 (·)
               0.285
                        0.711
                                -0.813 -0.441
   3 -0.0466
##
                                                 -\odot .
##
   4 -0.314
               -0.408
                       -0.275
                                 1.87
                                        -0.152
                                                 -(\cdot)
   5 -0.151
                       0.199
                                -0.0649 -0.441
##
               -0.0489
                                                 -\odot .
                                 0.809 -0.276
   6 -0.284
               0.243
                        0.151
                                                 -(\cdot)
                       -0.0354
                                 1.35 -0.0694 -0.
   7 -0.110
              0.444
                                 0.524 -0.0694 -0.
   8 -0.255
               0.202
                        0.104
   9 0.0497
               0.0346
                       0.215
                                -0.233 -0.482
                                                -(\cdot)
## 10 -0.117
                0.369
                        0.132
                                 0.103 - 0.276 - 0.
## # ... with 526 more rows
```

Fitting a Ridge Regression Model

A Ridge regression model specification can be specified using linear_reg() with mixture = 0

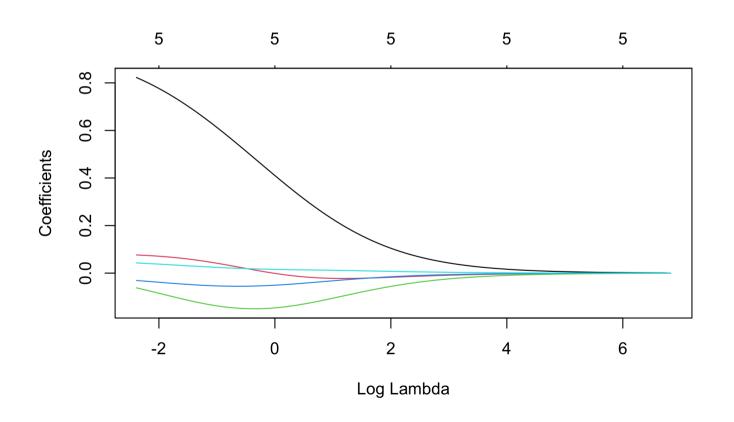
```
ridge_spec <- linear_reg(mixture = 0, penalty = 0) %>%
  set_engine("glmnet")
```

Then we can fit it just like normal

```
ridge_fit <- ridge_spec %>%
fit(HHV ~ ., data = biomass_scaled)
```

Plotting coefficients for Ridge Model

```
plot(ridge_fit$fit, xvar = "lambda")
```



Predicting for a Ridge Regression model

```
predict(ridge_fit, new_data = biomass_scaled)
```

Predicting for a Ridge Regression model

Specifying a value lets up predict

```
predict(ridge_fit, new_data = biomass_scaled, penalty = 100)
## # A tibble: 536 x 1
        .pred
     <dbl>
   1 -0.000760
   2 -0.000103
   3 -0.00406
   4 -0.00313
   5 -0.00260
   6 -0.00515
   7 -0.00353
   8 -0.00401
   9 -0.000851
  10 -0.00287
## # ... with 526 more rows
```

Predicting for a Ridge Regression model

We could also specify the penalty directly when we fit the model, but there is not as often a usecase for this

```
ridge_spec <- linear_reg(mixture = 0, penalty = 100) %>%
   set_engine("glmnet")

ridge_fit <- ridge_spec %>%
   fit(HHV ~ ., data = biomass_scaled)

predict(ridge_fit, new_data = biomass_scaled)
```

```
## # A tibble: 536 x 1

## .pred

## <dbl>
## 1 -0.000760

## 2 -0.000103

## 3 -0.00406

## 4 -0.00313

## 5 -0.00260

## 6 -0.00515
```

Fitting a Lasso Regression model

Fitting a lasso model is done the same way a ridge model is fit, instead, we have to set mixture = 1

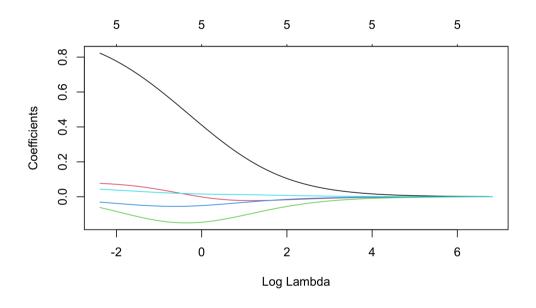
```
lasso_spec <- linear_reg(mixture = 1, penalty = 0) %>%
  set_engine("glmnet")

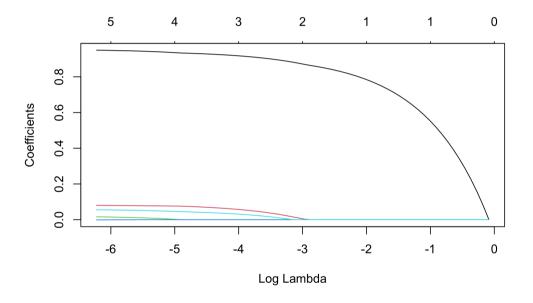
lasso_fit <- lasso_spec %>%
  fit(HHV ~ ., data = biomass_scaled)
```

Plotting coefficients for Lasso Model

```
lasso_fit$fit %>%
  plot(xvar = "lambda")
```

Ridge VS Lasso





Some models have parameters that can not directly be estimated from the data alone. These parameters are found by other means

The "simple" way is to try a lot of different values and pick the one that performs the best

We will use a cross-validation approach to find the best value for the penalty.

we start by splitting up our data and creating some folds.

```
biomass_split <- initial_split(biomass)
biomass_train <- training(biomass_split)
biomass_folds <- vfold_cv(biomass_train, v = 5)</pre>
```

Now we create a new lasso specification, but this time we use tune() to denote that we want to tune the penalty parameter.

```
lasso_spec <- linear_reg(mixture = 1, penalty = tune()) %>%
    set_engine("glmnet")
lasso_spec

## Linear Regression Model Specification (regression)
##
## Main Arguments:
## penalty = tune()
## mixture = 1
##
## Computational engine: glmnet
```

We also create a recipe to normalize (scale + center) all the predictors

And we combine these two into a workflow

```
lasso_wf <- workflow() %>%
  add_model(lasso_spec) %>%
  add_recipe(rec_spec)
```

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We also need to specify what values of the hyperparameters we are trying to tune we want to calculate. Since the lasso model can calculate all paths at once let us get back 50 evenly spaced values of λ

We combine these things in tune_grid() which works much like fit_resamples() but takes a grid argument as well

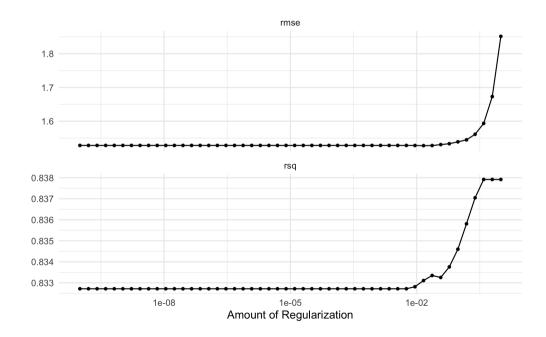
```
tune_rs <- tune_grid(
  object = lasso_wf,
  resamples = biomass_folds,
  grid = lambda_grid
)</pre>
```

We can see how each of the values of λ is doing with collect_metrics()

```
collect_metrics(tune_rs)
## # A tibble: 100 \times 7
##
      penalty .metric .estimator mean
                                          n std err .config
        <dbl> <chr>
                      <chr> <dbl> <int>
                                              \langle dh \rangle \langle chr \rangle
   1 1 e-10 rmse
                   standard 1.53
                                          5 0.258 Preprocessor1 Model01
         e-10 rsq standard 0.833
                                          5 0.0455 Preprocessor1 Model01
                                             0.258 Preprocessor1_Model02
   3 1.60e-10 rmse standard
                              1.53
   4 1.60e-10 rsg standard
                              0.833
                                             0.0455 Preprocessor1 Model02
   5 2.56e-10 rmse standard 1.53
                                             0.258 Preprocessor1_Model03
##
   6 2.56e-10 rsq standard
                              0.833
                                            0.0455 Preprocessor1 Model03
                                             0.258 Preprocessor1_Model04
   7 4.09e-10 rmse
                     standard
                                1.53
                                          5 0.0455 Preprocessor1 Model04
   8 4.09e-10 rsg standard
                              0.833
                                          5 0.258 Preprocessor1_Model05
   9 6.55e-10 rmse standard
                              1.53
  10 6.55e-10 rsq
                     standard
                                0.833
                                             0.0455 Preprocessor1 Model05
## # ... with 90 more rows
```

And there is even a plotting method that can show us how the different values of the hyperparameter are doing

autoplot(tune_rs)



Look at the best performing one with show_best() and select the best with

```
tune rs %>%
  show best("rmse")
## # A tibble: 5 \times 7
   penalty .metric .estimator mean
                                       n std err .config
    <dbl> <chr>      <dbl> <int>      <dbl> <chr>
## 1 1.46e- 2 rmse standard 1.53
                                       5 0.257 Preprocessor1 Model41
## 2 2.33e- 2 rmse standard 1.53
                                          0.257 Preprocessor1 Model42
## 3 9.10e- 3 rmse standard
                             1.53
                                          0.258 Preprocessor1_Model40
## 4 1 e-10 rmse standard
                             1.53
                                          0.258 Preprocessor1_Model01
                                          0.258 Preprocessor1 Model02
                  standard
                             1.53
## 5 1.60e-10 rmse
best rmse <- tune rs %>%
  select best("rmse")
```

Remember how the specification has penalty = tune()?

```
lasso_wf
## — Workflow —
## Preprocessor: Recipe
## Model: linear_reg()
##
## — Preprocessor —
## 1 Recipe Step
##
## • step_normalize()
## -- Model -
## Linear Regression Model Specification (regression)
##
## Main Arguments:
    penalty = tune()
   mixture = 1
##
```

We can update it with finalize_workflow()

```
final_lasso <- finalize_workflow(lasso_wf, best_rmse)</pre>
final lasso
## — Workflow -
## Preprocessor: Recipe
## Model: linear_reg()
##
## — Preprocessor —
## 1 Recipe Step
##
## • step_normalize()
##
## --- Model -
## Linear Regression Model Specification (regression)
##
## Main Arguments:
   penalty = 0.0145634847750124
   mixture = 1
```

And this finalized specification can now we can fit using the whole training data set.

```
fitted_lasso <- fit(final_lasso, biomass_train)</pre>
```

this fitted model can now be used to predict on the testing data set

```
biomass_test <- training(biomass_split)</pre>
predict(fitted_lasso, biomass_test)
## # A tibble: 402 x 1
    .pred
   <dbl>
   1 19.1
   2 28.5
   3 22.1
   4 19.1
   5 19.2
   6 17.3
   7 18.3
   8 19.1
   9 19.4
## 10 15.9
## # ... with 392 more rows
```

