

ADA 442 HomeWork

Homework 3: Ridge vs LASSO Regression

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1 Introduction

- The ultimate purpose of this research is to compare which Regression Model is better for prediction on ‘College’ Data set.

2 Methodology

Skeleton Formula that has been used for Simple Linear Regression : $Y \sim B_0 + B_1x + \text{epsilon}$

*Loss function Formula that has been used for Ridge Regression : $OLS + \alpha * \text{summation (squared coefficient values)}$*

*Loss function Formula that has been used for LASSO Regression : $OLS + \alpha * \text{summation (absolute values of the magnitude of the coefficients)}$*

- RMSE and R^2 comparison has been performed over different Regression Models by using formulas given above.

3 Data Set

```
library(ISLR2)
set.seed(73745) # for reproducible results
data(College)
```

- I have used U.S. News and World Report's College Data which contains 777 observations from 'ISLR2' library.
- College data frame has consisted of 18 variables.

4 Exploratory Data analysis

Brief information about the data set can be seen below

```
head(College)
```

```
##                               Private Apps Accept Enroll Top10perc Top25perc
## Abilene Christian University    Yes 1660  1232   721         23         52
## Adelphi University              Yes 2186  1924   512         16         29
## Adrian College                 Yes 1428  1097   336         22         50
## Agnes Scott College            Yes  417   349   137         60         89
## Alaska Pacific University       Yes  193   146    55         16         44
## Albertson College              Yes  587   479   158         38         62
##                               F.Undergrad P.Undergrad Outstate Room.Board Books
## Abilene Christian University    2885           537   7440         3300   450
## Adelphi University             2683           1227  12280         6450   750
## Adrian College                 1036            99  11250         3750   400
## Agnes Scott College             510            63  12960         5450   450
## Alaska Pacific University       249            869   7560         4120   800
## Albertson College              678            41  13500         3335   500
##                               Personal PhD Terminal S.F.Ratio perc.alumni Expend
## Abilene Christian University    2200  70         78      18.1         12   7041
## Adelphi University             1500  29         30      12.2         16  10527
## Adrian College                 1165  53         66      12.9         30   8735
## Agnes Scott College             875  92         97       7.7         37  19016
## Alaska Pacific University       1500  76         72      11.9          2  10922
## Albertson College              675  67         73       9.4         11   9727
##                               Grad.Rate
## Abilene Christian University     60
## Adelphi University              56
## Adrian College                  54
## Agnes Scott College              59
## Alaska Pacific University        15
## Albertson College                55
```

```
summary(College)
```

```
## Private Apps Accept Enroll Top10perc
```

```
## No :212    Min.    :   81    Min.    :   72    Min.    :   35    Min.    :   1.00
## Yes:565    1st Qu.:  776    1st Qu.:  604    1st Qu.:  242    1st Qu.:15.00
##           Median : 1558    Median : 1110    Median :  434    Median :23.00
##           Mean   : 3002    Mean   : 2019    Mean   :  780    Mean   :27.56
##           3rd Qu.: 3624    3rd Qu.: 2424    3rd Qu.:  902    3rd Qu.:35.00
##           Max.   :48094    Max.   :26330    Max.   :6392    Max.   :96.00
## Top25perc  F.Undergrad  P.Undergrad  Outstate
## Min.      :   9.0    Min.      :  139    Min.      :    1.0    Min.      : 2340
## 1st Qu.   :  41.0    1st Qu.   :  992    1st Qu.   :   95.0    1st Qu.   : 7320
## Median    :  54.0    Median    : 1707    Median    :  353.0    Median    : 9990
## Mean      :  55.8    Mean      : 3700    Mean      :  855.3    Mean     :10441
## 3rd Qu.   :  69.0    3rd Qu.   : 4005    3rd Qu.   :  967.0    3rd Qu.  :12925
## Max.      :100.0    Max.      :31643    Max.      :21836.0    Max.      :21700
## Room.Board  Books      Personal  PhD
## Min.       :1780    Min.       :  96.0    Min.       :  250    Min.       :   8.00
## 1st Qu.    :3597    1st Qu.    : 470.0    1st Qu.    :  850    1st Qu.    : 62.00
## Median     :4200    Median     : 500.0    Median     :1200    Median     : 75.00
## Mean       :4358    Mean       : 549.4    Mean       :1341    Mean       : 72.66
## 3rd Qu.    :5050    3rd Qu.    : 600.0    3rd Qu.    :1700    3rd Qu.    : 85.00
## Max.       :8124    Max.       :2340.0    Max.       :6800    Max.       :103.00
## Terminal    S.F.Ratio  perc.alumni  Expend
## Min.        : 24.0    Min.        :  2.50    Min.        :  0.00    Min.        : 3186
## 1st Qu.     : 71.0    1st Qu.     :11.50    1st Qu.     :13.00    1st Qu.     : 6751
## Median      : 82.0    Median      :13.60    Median      :21.00    Median      : 8377
## Mean        : 79.7    Mean        :14.09    Mean        :22.74    Mean        : 9660
## 3rd Qu.     : 92.0    3rd Qu.     :16.50    3rd Qu.     :31.00    3rd Qu.     :10830
## Max.        :100.0    Max.        :39.80    Max.        :64.00    Max.        :56233
## Grad.Rate
## Min.        : 10.00
## 1st Qu.     : 53.00
## Median      : 65.00
## Mean        : 65.46
## 3rd Qu.     : 78.00
## Max.        :118.00
```

5 Model Fit

- Data set has been divided into two part as 80% and 20%.

```
index = sample(1:nrow(College), 0.8*nrow(College)) # %80 for training, %20 for testing
train = College[index,] # Create the training data
test = College[-index,] # Create the test data
dim(train)
```

```
## [1] 621 18
```

```
dim(test)
```

```
## [1] 156 18
```

- Superficial inference and relation between ‘Accept’ and ‘Apps’ can be seen as correlation matrix.
Correlation Matrix :

```
cor(College[, c("Accept", "Apps")])
```

```
##           Accept      Apps
## Accept 1.0000000 0.9434506
## Apps   0.9434506 1.0000000
```

5.1 Applying Linear Regression

```
lm.fit = lm(Accept ~ Apps + Enroll + Outstate, data = train)
summary(lm.fit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Accept ~ Apps + Enroll + Outstate, data = train)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -4966.8   -80.6    20.7   151.3   3993.7
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -18.306447  80.653932  -0.227   0.821
## Apps         0.383635   0.012887  29.770 <2e-16 ***
## Enroll       1.081982   0.055274  19.575 <2e-16 ***
## Outstate     0.005047   0.006845   0.737   0.461
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 636.6 on 617 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9388, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9386
## F-statistic: 3158 on 3 and 617 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Since, if the predictors are meaningful, p-values of them must be smaller than 0.05. 'Apps' variable can be predictor.

Regression Linear Equation : $\text{Accept} = 199.19774 + 0.61091 \cdot \text{Apps}$ For every increase in Accept, the model predicts a increase of 0.61091 in Apps.

- The most significant values to identify if a model well-explained are R^2 and adjusted R^2 values. R^2 values should be near 1.

5.1.1 Evaluate Linear Regression Model Performance

```
predictedAccept <- predict(lm.fit, test)
par(mfrow = c(1,2))
```

```
actuals_preds <- data.frame(cbind(actuals=test$Accept, predicted=predictedAccept)) # make actuals_pre
correlation_accuracy <- cor(actuals_preds)
head(actuals_preds)
```

	actuals	predicted
## Alaska Pacific University	146	153.4011
## Albright College	839	704.2278
## Allegheny College	1900	1608.9789
## American International College	1093	808.4018
## Appalachian State University	4664	4888.1524
## Assumption College	1700	1392.5738

5.2 Applying Ridge Regression

- Loss function = OLS + α * summation (squared coefficient values)

```
library(glmnet)
```

```
## Loading required package: Matrix
```

```
## Loaded glmnet 4.1-3
```

```
x = train
y_train = train$Accept

x_test = data.matrix(test)
y_test = test$Accept

lambdas <- 10^seq(2, -3, by = -.1)
ridge_reg = glmnet(x, y_train, nlambda = 25, alpha = 0, family = 'gaussian', lambda = lambdas)

summary(ridge_reg)
```

```
##          Length Class      Mode
## a0          51   -none-   numeric
## beta       918 dgCMatrix S4
## df          51   -none-   numeric
## dim          2   -none-   numeric
## lambda      51   -none-   numeric
## dev.ratio   51   -none-   numeric
## nulldev      1   -none-   numeric
## npasses      1   -none-   numeric
## jerr         1   -none-   numeric
## offset       1   -none-   logical
## call         7   -none-   call
## nobs         1   -none-   numeric
```

- Ridge Regression model been run several times for different values of lambda.
- When $\alpha=0$, Ridge Model is fit and if $\alpha=1$, a lasso model is fit.

```
x_mtrx = data.matrix(train)
cv_ridge <- cv.glmnet(x_mtrx, y_train, alpha = 0, lambda = lambdas)
optimal_lambda <- cv_ridge$lambda.min
optimal_lambda
```

```
## [1] 0.001
```

5.2.1 Evaluate Ridge Model Performance

```
eval_results <- function(true, predicted, df) {  
  # Sum of Squared Error  
  SSE <- sum((predicted - true)^2)  
  # Sum of Squared Total  
  SST <- sum((true - mean(true))^2)  
  R_square <- 1 - SSE / SST  
  RMSE = sqrt(SSE/nrow(df))  
  
  # Model performance metrics  
  data.frame(  
    RMSE = RMSE,  
    Rsquare = R_square  
  )  
}  
  
# Prediction and evaluation on train data  
predictions_train <- predict(ridge_reg, s = optimal_lambda, newx = x_mtrx)  
  
# Prediction and evaluation on test data  
predictions_test <- predict(ridge_reg, s = optimal_lambda, newx = x_test)  
  
eval_results(y_train, predictions_train, train)  
  
##           RMSE Rsquare  
## 1 0.3927581         1  
  
eval_results(y_test, predictions_test, test)  
  
##           RMSE Rsquare  
## 1 0.347633         1
```

- There is an improvement in the performance compared with linear regression model.

5.3 Applying Lasso Regression

- Loss function = OLS + α * summation (absolute values of the magnitude of the coefficients)
- When $\alpha=0$, Ridge Model is fit and if $\alpha=1$, a lasso model is fit.

```
lambdas <- 10^seq(2, -3, by = -.1)  
  
# Setting alpha = 1 implements lasso regression  
lasso_reg <- cv.glmnet(x_mtrx, y_train, alpha = 1, lambda = lambdas, standardize = TRUE, nfolds = 5)  
  
# Best  
lambda_best <- lasso_reg$lambda.min  
lambda_best  
  
## [1] 0.001
```

5.3.1 Evaluate LASSO Model Performance

```
lasso_model <- glmnet(x_mtrx, y_train, alpha = 1, lambda = lambda_best, standardize = TRUE)

predictions_train <- predict(lasso_model, s = lambda_best, newx = x_mtrx)
eval_results(y_train, predictions_train, train)
```

```
##          RMSE    Rsquare
## 1 3.289273 0.9999984
```

```
predictions_test <- predict(lasso_model, s = lambda_best, newx = x_test)
eval_results(y_test, predictions_test, test)
```

```
##          RMSE    Rsquare
## 1 2.917397 0.9999976
```

6 Conclusions

- Ridge regression shrinks the regression coefficients, so that variables, with minor contribution to the outcome, have their coefficients close to zero.
- Lasso stands for Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator. It shrinks the regression coefficients toward zero by penalizing the regression model with a penalty term called L1-norm, which is the sum of the absolute coefficients.
- We know that the most ideal result would be an RMSE value of zero and R-squared value of 1.
- To conclude that, R^2 of Linear Regression Model : 0.9315

RMSE of Ridge Model : 0.3763321 R^2 of Ridge Model : 1

RMSE of LASSO Model : 4.091901 R^2 of LASSO Model : 0.9999981

So, The first salient value is R^2 of Linear Regression Model because it is lowest and worst value in respect to accuracy. Also, R^2 value of Ridge Model which is 1 has the best prediction accuracy.

7 References

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