

Problem Statement - Part II

Question 1:

What is the optimal value of alpha for ridge and lasso regression? What will be the changes in the model if you choose double the value of alpha for both ridge and lasso? What will be the most important predictor variables after the change is implemented?

Answer1:

Optimal value of alpha for ridge: **10**

Optimal value of alpha for ridge: **100**

double alpha for ridge and lasso are **20 and 200**

For Ridge: *Coeff values are increasing as alpha will increase. r^2 score of train data is also drop from .807 to 0.45*

For Lasso: *As alpha value increased more feautruess removed from model. But r^2 score is also dropped by 1% in both test and train data*

Top Features: Neighborhood_NoRidge, Neighborhood_NridgHt, OverallQual, overallQual
Neighborhood_Veenkar

Question 2:

You have determined the optimal value of lambda for ridge and lasso regression during the assignment. Now, which one will you choose to apply and why?

Answer 2:

We will choose **Lasso** as its giving **feature selection** option also.

It has removed unwanted features from model without affecting the model accuracy which makes the model simple and accurate.

Question 3

After building the model, you realised that the five most important predictor variables in the lasso model are not available in the incoming data. You will now have to create another model excluding the five most important predictor variables. Which are the five most important predictor variables now?

Answer 3:

Top 5 features are :

1. Neighborhood_NoRidge
2. Neighborhood_NridgHt
3. 2ndFlrSF
4. OverallQual
5. Neighborhood_Veenker.

Question 4:

How can you make sure that a model is robust and generalisable? What are the implications of the same for the accuracy of the model and why?

Answer 4:

To make model robust and generalisable 3 features are required:

1. **Model accuracy** should be $> 70-75\%$: In this case its coming 80%(Train) and 81%(Test)
2. **P-value** of all the features is < 0.05
3. **VIF** of all the features are < 5

Thus we are sure that model is robust.