# stat 462 group project

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### The Code

```
# Load necessary library
library(glmnet)
## Warning: package 'glmnet' was built under R version 4.3.3
## Loading required package: Matrix
## Warning: package 'Matrix' was built under R version 4.3.2
## Loaded glmnet 4.1-8
library(ggplot2)
# Define player stats (including Furkan Korkmaz)
players <- data.frame(</pre>
 name = c("Nikola Jokic", "Luka Doncic", "Joel Embiid", "Giannis Antetokounmpo", "Shai Gilgeous-Alexan
          "Anthony Davis", "LeBron James", "Kevin Durant", "Jayson Tatum", "Stephen Curry", "Killian H
          "Patrick Beverley", "Jay Huff", "Nicolas Claxton", "Desmond Bane", "Tobias Harris", "Paolo B
          "Myles Turner", "Austin Reaves", "D'Angelo Russell", "Ja Morant", "Furkan Korkmaz"),
 points_per_game = c(26.4, 33.9, 34.7, 30.4, 30.1, 24.7, 25.7, 27.1, 28.4, 26.4, 6.9, 6.2, 3.5, 12.6,
                     20.0, 15.0, 13.0, 17.0, 25.1, 6.8),
 defensive_rating = c(107, 110, 107, 102, 108, 104, 106, 109, 107, 111, 110, 110, 103, 101, 106, 105,
                      108, 103, 107, 108, 105, 110),
 assists_per_game = c(9.0, 9.8, 5.6, 6.5, 6.2, 3.5, 8.3, 5.0, 5.6, 5.1, 4.9, 2.9, 1.0, 1.5, 4.4,
                      2.5, 3.7, 1.2, 3.4, 6.1, 8.1, 1.2),
 per = c(32.1, 23.5, 28.3, 29.5, 27.8, 26.4, 25.7, 27.1, 26.9, 28.5, 10.5, 12.2, 15.0, 20.3, 19.8, 17.
         16.0, 18.0, 14.0, 16.5, 20.8, 11.2),
 win_shares_per_48 = c(0.301, 0.250, 0.270, 0.280, 0.240, 0.220, 0.230, 0.250, 0.260, 0.270, 0.050, 0.000)
                       0.100, 0.150, 0.200, 0.180, 0.150, 0.200, 0.120, 0.140, 0.180, 0.050),
 bpm = c(8.5, 7.2, 8.0, 7.8, 6.5, 6.9, 7.5, 7.3, 7.0, 7.6, 2.5, 2.8, 1.0, 4.5, 5.0, 4.0, 3.8, 4.2, 3.2
 rating_2k = c(98, 95, 96, 96, 93, 93, 96, 96, 95, 96, 75, 76, 67, 84, 84, 82, 84, 83, 80, 83, 92, 70)
# Adjusted normalization function to scale to a range of 67 to 99
adjusted norm <- function(x) {
 return ((x - \min(x)) / (\max(x) - \min(x)) * (99 - 67) + 67) # Scale to a range that ensures the lowes
```

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# Apply adjusted normalization to each criterion
players$scoring <- adjusted_norm(players$points_per_game)</pre>
players$defense <- adjusted_norm(max(players$defensive_rating) - players$defensive_rating) # Invert be
players$playmaking <- adjusted_norm(players$assists_per_game)</pre>
players$efficiency <- adjusted_norm(players$per)</pre>
players$impact <- adjusted_norm(players$win_shares_per_48)</pre>
players$bpm_norm <- adjusted_norm(players$bpm)</pre>
players$vorp_norm <- adjusted_norm(players$vorp)</pre>
# Calculate final rating
players$final_rating_formula <- rowMeans(players[, c("scoring", "defense", "playmaking", "efficiency",
# Prepare data for ridge regression
x <- as.matrix(players[, c("points_per_game", "defensive_rating", "assists_per_game", "per", "win_share
y <- players\rating_2k
# Fit ridge regression model
ridge_model <- cv.glmnet(x, y, alpha = 0)</pre>
## Warning: Option grouped=FALSE enforced in cv.glmnet, since < 3 observations per
## fold
# Predict ratings using the ridge regression model
players$predicted_rating_ridge <- predict(ridge_model, s = "lambda.min", newx = x)</pre>
# Calculate correlation coefficient between predicted_rating and 2K rating
correlation_coefficient_formula <- cor(players\frac{s}{final_rating_formula, players\frac{s}{rating_2k})</pre>
correlation_coefficient_ridge <- cor(players$predicted_rating_ridge, players$rating_2k)</pre>
# Rank players by final_rating in descending order
ranked_players_formula <- players[order(-players$final_rating_formula), ]</pre>
ranked_players_ridge <- players[order(-players$predicted_rating_ridge), ]</pre>
# Display final ratings and correlation coefficients
print("Ranked Players by Formula-Based Ratings:")
## [1] "Ranked Players by Formula-Based Ratings:"
print(ranked_players_formula[, c("name", "final_rating_formula", "rating_2k")])
##
                          name final_rating_formula rating_2k
## 4
        Giannis Antetokounmpo
                                           93.77212
## 1
                 Nikola Jokic
                                           92.87562
                                                             98
                  Joel Embiid
                                                            96
## 3
                                           90.18909
## 2
                  Luka Doncic
                                           89.22735
                                                            95
## 7
                 LeBron James
                                           89.15628
                                                            96
## 9
                 Jayson Tatum
                                           88.22699
                                                            95
                                                            93
## 5 Shai Gilgeous-Alexander
                                           88.12878
## 21
                    Ja Morant
                                           86.80100
                                                            92
## 6
                                           86.69267
                                                            93
               Anthony Davis
```

```
## 8
                  Kevin Durant
                                             86.04824
                                                              96
## 10
                                                              96
                 Stephen Curry
                                             85.62215
                                             82.94529
## 15
                  Desmond Bane
                                                              84
## 14
               Nicolas Claxton
                                                              84
                                             81.08381
## 18
                  Myles Turner
                                             80.67135
                                                              83
## 16
                 Tobias Harris
                                             80.29408
                                                              82
## 20
             D'Angelo Russell
                                             79.47092
                                                              83
## 17
                Paolo Banchero
                                             78.44768
                                                              84
## 19
                 Austin Reaves
                                             76.07607
                                                              80
## 13
                      Jay Huff
                                             74.72823
                                                              67
## 11
                 Killian Hayes
                                             71.17380
                                                              75
                                                              76
                                             70.07937
## 12
             Patrick Beverley
## 22
                Furkan Korkmaz
                                             68.66979
                                                              70
```

print(paste("The correlation coefficient between the formula ratings and the actual ratings is", correl

## [1] "The correlation coefficient between the formula ratings and the actual ratings is 0.93428517289

```
print("\nRanked Players by Ridge Regression-Based Ratings:")
```

## [1] "\nRanked Players by Ridge Regression-Based Ratings:"

```
print(ranked_players_ridge[, c("name", "predicted_rating_ridge", "rating_2k")])
```

```
##
                          name lambda.min rating_2k
## 1
                  Nikola Jokic
                                  98.79436
                                                   98
## 3
                                                   96
                   Joel Embiid
                                  97.67555
## 4
        Giannis Antetokounmpo
                                  96.47991
                                                   96
## 2
                   Luka Doncic
                                  96.14427
                                                   95
## 10
                 Stephen Curry
                                  95.76055
                                                   96
## 7
                  LeBron James
                                  94.39799
                                                   96
## 8
                  Kevin Durant
                                  94.39239
                                                   96
## 9
                                                   95
                  Jayson Tatum
                                  93.96865
## 5
      Shai Gilgeous-Alexander
                                  93.19572
                                                   93
## 6
                                                   93
                 Anthony Davis
                                  92.04193
## 21
                     Ja Morant
                                  92.00504
                                                   92
## 15
                  Desmond Bane
                                  85.85183
                                                   84
## 18
                  Myles Turner
                                  82.80708
                                                   83
## 20
                                                   83
             D'Angelo Russell
                                  82.76934
## 17
               Paolo Banchero
                                  82.49478
                                                   84
## 14
              Nicolas Claxton
                                  81.84000
                                                   84
## 16
                 Tobias Harris
                                  81.77049
                                                   82
## 19
                 Austin Reaves
                                  79.28041
                                                   80
## 12
             Patrick Beverley
                                  75.49430
                                                   76
## 11
                 Killian Hayes
                                  74.81700
                                                   75
## 22
               Furkan Korkmaz
                                  71.13876
                                                   70
## 13
                      Jay Huff
                                  70.87964
                                                   67
```

print("The correlation coefficient between the ridge regression ratings and the actual ratings is")

## [1] "The correlation coefficient between the ridge regression ratings and the actual ratings is"

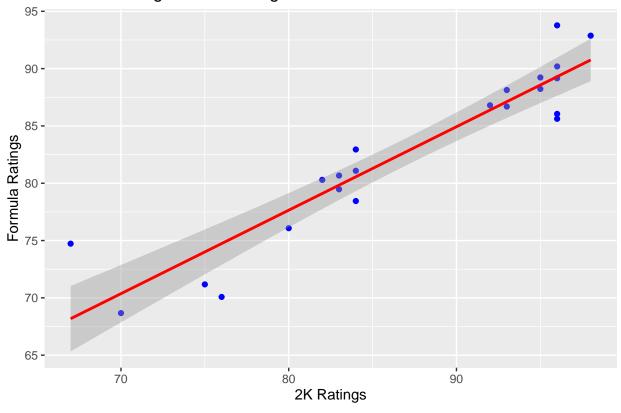
### correlation\_coefficient\_ridge

```
## [,1]
## lambda.min 0.9893865
```

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(players, aes(x = rating_2k, y = final_rating_formula)) +
  geom_point(color = 'blue') +
  geom_smooth(method = 'lm', color = 'red') +
  labs(title = 'Formula Ratings vs. 2K Ratings', x = '2K Ratings', y = 'Formula Ratings')
```

## 'geom\_smooth()' using formula = 'y ~ x'

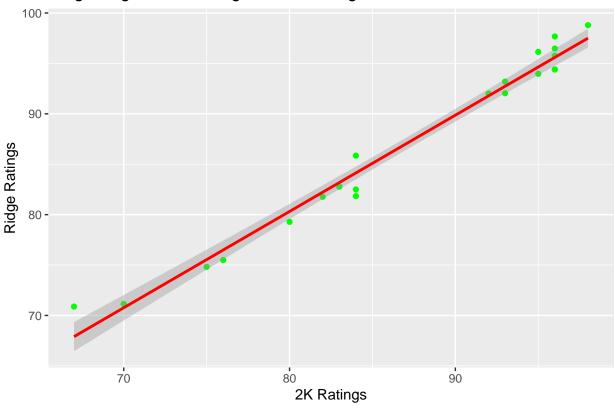
# Formula Ratings vs. 2K Ratings



```
ggplot(players, aes(x = rating_2k, y = predicted_rating_ridge)) +
  geom_point(color = 'green') +
  geom_smooth(method = 'lm', color = 'red') +
  labs(title = 'Ridge Regression Ratings vs. 2K Ratings', x = '2K Ratings', y = 'Ridge Ratings')
```

## 'geom\_smooth()' using formula = 'y ~ x'

### Ridge Regression Ratings vs. 2K Ratings



```
write.csv(ranked_players_formula, "formula_based_rankings.csv")
write.csv(ranked_players_ridge, "ridge_based_rankings.csv")
coef(ridge_model, s = "lambda.min")
```

```
## 8 x 1 sparse Matrix of class "dgCMatrix"
##
## (Intercept)
                    52.2352536
## points_per_game
                    0.1424025
## defensive_rating 0.1229892
## assists_per_game
                     0.1424211
## per
                     0.1616979
## win_shares_per_48 9.7154013
                     1.2542028
## bpm
## vorp
                     1.3689270
```

```
# Hyperparameter tuning for lambda in ridge regression
lambda_grid <- 10^seq(3, -3, by = -1)
ridge_model_tuned <- cv.glmnet(x, y, alpha = 0, lambda = lambda_grid)</pre>
```

## Warning: Option grouped=FALSE enforced in cv.glmnet, since < 3 observations per ## fold

```
best_lambda <- ridge_model_tuned$lambda.min
print(paste("Best lambda:", best_lambda))</pre>
```

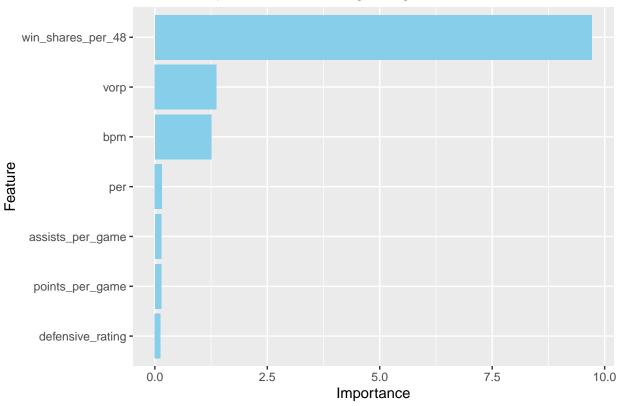
```
## [1] "Best lambda: 0.1"
# Feature importance based on ridge regression coefficients
coefficients <- coef(ridge_model, s = "lambda.min")</pre>
coefficients_df <- data.frame(</pre>
 feature = rownames(coefficients),
  importance = as.vector(coefficients)
coefficients_df <- coefficients_df[-1,] # Remove the intercept</pre>
coefficients_df <- coefficients_df[order(abs(coefficients_df$importance), decreasing = TRUE), ]</pre>
print("Feature Importance from Ridge Regression:")
## [1] "Feature Importance from Ridge Regression:"
print(coefficients_df)
##
               feature importance
## 6 win_shares_per_48 9.7154013
## 8
                  vorp 1.3689270
## 7
                   bpm 1.2542028
## 5
                   per 0.1616979
## 4 assists_per_game 0.1424211
      points_per_game 0.1424025
## 2
## 3 defensive rating 0.1229892
# Input player names and rank based on formula or ridge regression
custom_player_names <- c("Nikola Jokic", "Stephen Curry", "Furkan Korkmaz")</pre>
custom players <- players[players$name %in% custom player names, ]</pre>
custom_players_formula <- custom_players[order(-custom_players$final_rating_formula), ]</pre>
custom players ridge <- custom players[order(-custom players*predicted rating ridge), ]</pre>
print("Custom Player Rankings based on Formula:")
## [1] "Custom Player Rankings based on Formula:"
print(custom_players_formula[, c("name", "final_rating_formula")])
##
                name final_rating_formula
## 1
        Nikola Jokic
                                  92.87562
## 10 Stephen Curry
                                  85.62215
## 22 Furkan Korkmaz
                                  68.66979
print("Custom Player Rankings based on Ridge Regression:")
## [1] "Custom Player Rankings based on Ridge Regression:"
print(custom_players_ridge[, c("name", "predicted_rating_ridge")])
```

```
## 1
       Nikola Jokic
                       98.79436
## 10 Stephen Curry
                       95.76055
## 22 Furkan Korkmaz
                      71.13876
# Save feature importance to CSV
write.csv(coefficients_df, "feature_importance.csv")
# Save custom player rankings
write.csv(custom_players_formula, "custom_player_formula_rankings.csv")
write.csv(custom_players_ridge, "custom_player_ridge_rankings.csv")
# Bar plot of feature importance
ggplot(coefficients_df, aes(x = reorder(feature, importance), y = importance)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "skyblue") +
  coord_flip() +
 labs(title = "Feature Importance from Ridge Regression", x = "Feature", y = "Importance")
```

##

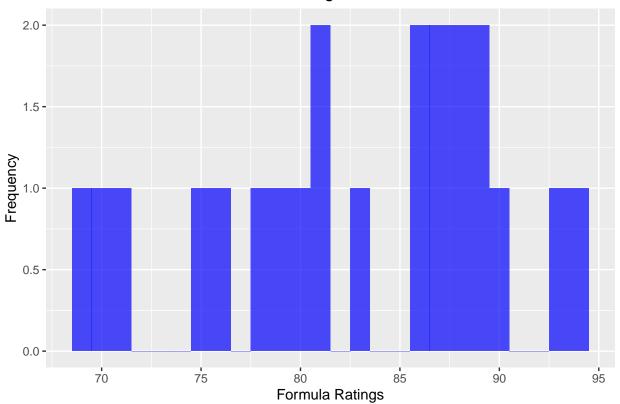
name lambda.min

# Feature Importance from Ridge Regression



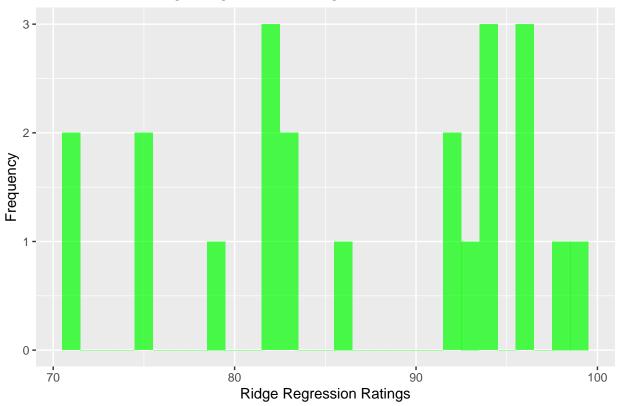
```
# Distribution plot of the ratings
ggplot(players, aes(x = final_rating_formula)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 1, fill = "blue", alpha = 0.7) +
  labs(title = "Distribution of Formula-Based Ratings", x = "Formula Ratings", y = "Frequency")
```

# Distribution of Formula-Based Ratings



```
ggplot(players, aes(x = predicted_rating_ridge)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 1, fill = "green", alpha = 0.7) +
  labs(title = "Distribution of Ridge Regression Ratings", x = "Ridge Regression Ratings", y = "Frequen")
```

# Distribution of Ridge Regression Ratings



```
# Calculate MAE and RMSE for both models
mae_formula <- mean(abs(players$final_rating_formula - players$rating_2k))
rmse_formula <- sqrt(mean((players$final_rating_formula - players$rating_2k)^2))
mae_ridge <- mean(abs(players$predicted_rating_ridge - players$rating_2k))
rmse_ridge <- sqrt(mean((players$predicted_rating_ridge - players$rating_2k)^2))
print(paste("MAE for formula-based ratings:", mae_formula))</pre>
```

## [1] "MAE for formula-based ratings: 4.95799056323504"

```
print(paste("RMSE for formula-based ratings:", rmse_formula))
```

## [1] "RMSE for formula-based ratings: 5.5437074486461"

```
print(paste("MAE for ridge regression ratings:", mae_ridge))
```

## [1] "MAE for ridge regression ratings: 1.01500833756959"

```
print(paste("RMSE for ridge regression ratings:", rmse_ridge))
```

## [1] "RMSE for ridge regression ratings: 1.34612818712505"

```
# Fit lasso regression model
lasso_model <- cv.glmnet(x, y, alpha = 1)

## Warning: Option grouped=FALSE enforced in cv.glmnet, since < 3 observations per
## fold

players$predicted_rating_lasso <- predict(lasso_model, s = "lambda.min", newx = x)

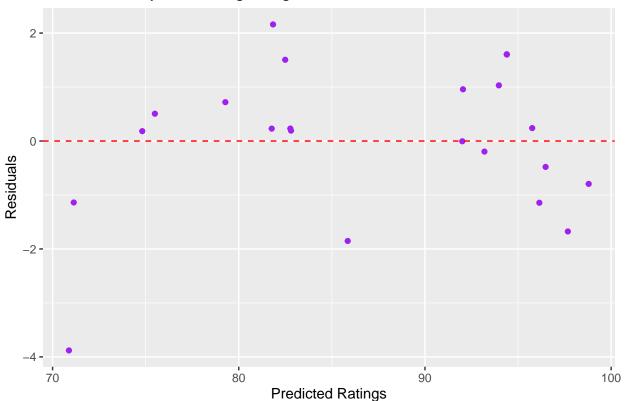
# Compare correlations of ridge and lasso models
correlation_coefficient_lasso <- cor(players$predicted_rating_lasso, players$rating_2k)
print(paste("The correlation coefficient between the lasso regression ratings and the actual ratings is</pre>
```

## [1] "The correlation coefficient between the lasso regression ratings and the actual ratings is 0.99

```
# Calculate residuals for ridge regression
players$residuals_ridge <- players$rating_2k - players$predicted_rating_ridge

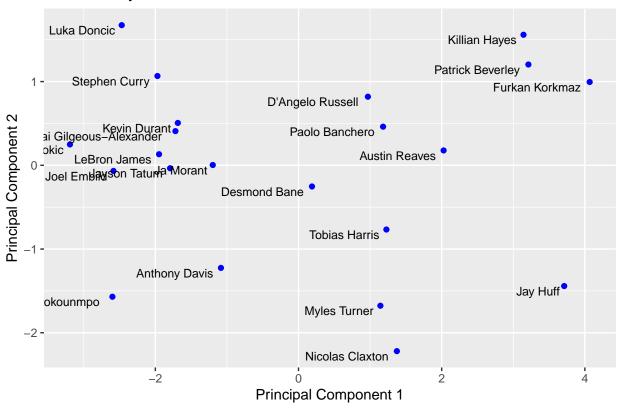
# Visualize residuals
ggplot(players, aes(x = predicted_rating_ridge, y = residuals_ridge)) +
    geom_point(color = 'purple') +
    geom_hline(yintercept = 0, linetype = "dashed", color = "red") +
    labs(title = 'Residual Analysis for Ridge Regression', x = 'Predicted Ratings', y = 'Residuals')</pre>
```

## Residual Analysis for Ridge Regression



```
# Rank players by specific skill areas
ranked_by_scoring <- players[order(-players$scoring), c("name", "scoring")]</pre>
ranked_by_defense <- players[order(-players$defense), c("name", "defense")]</pre>
print("Top Players by Scoring:")
## [1] "Top Players by Scoring:"
print(head(ranked_by_scoring, 5))
##
                         name scoring
## 3
                 Joel Embiid 99.00000
## 2
                 Luka Doncic 98.17949
       Giannis Antetokounmpo 94.58974
## 4
## 5 Shai Gilgeous-Alexander 94.28205
## 9
                Jayson Tatum 92.53846
print("Top Players by Defense:")
## [1] "Top Players by Defense:"
print(head(ranked_by_defense, 5))
##
                       name defense
## 14
            Nicolas Claxton
                                99.0
## 4 Giannis Antetokounmpo
                                95.8
## 13
                   Jay Huff
                                92.6
## 18
               Myles Turner
                                92.6
## 6
              Anthony Davis
                                89.4
library(stats)
# Perform PCA
player_stats <- players[, c("points_per_game", "defensive_rating", "assists_per_game", "per", "win_shar
pca_model <- prcomp(player_stats, scale. = TRUE)</pre>
# Add PCA components to the dataset
players$PC1 <- pca_model$x[, 1]</pre>
players$PC2 <- pca_model$x[, 2]</pre>
# Visualize PCA
ggplot(players, aes(x = PC1, y = PC2, label = name)) +
  geom_point(color = 'blue') +
  geom_text(size = 3, hjust = 1.1, vjust = 1.1) +
 labs(title = "PCA of Player Stats", x = "Principal Component 1", y = "Principal Component 2")
```

### PCA of Player Stats



```
# Fit lasso regression for comparison
lasso_model <- cv.glmnet(x, y, alpha = 1)

## Warning: Option grouped=FALSE enforced in cv.glmnet, since < 3 observations per
## fold

players$predicted_rating_lasso <- predict(lasso_model, s = "lambda.min", newx = x)

# Compare correlations
correlation_lasso <- cor(players$predicted_rating_lasso, players$rating_2k)
print(paste("The correlation coefficient for Lasso regression is", correlation_lasso))</pre>
```

## [1] "The correlation coefficient for Lasso regression is 0.992719929542386"

```
# Save correlation coefficients
correlation_results <- data.frame(
    Model = c("Formula", "Ridge Regression", "Lasso Regression"),
    Correlation = c(correlation_coefficient_formula, correlation_coefficient_ridge, correlation_lasso))
write.csv(correlation_results, "correlation_results.csv")
# Save feature importance
write.csv(correlation_coefficient_ridge, "ridge_feature_importance.csv")</pre>
```