Jamboree_linear_regression

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1 Case Study - Jamboree Linear Regression

1.1 About Jamboree

Jamboree has helped thousands of students to make it to top colleges abroad. Be it GMAT, GRE or SAT, their unique problem-solving methods ensure maximum scores with minimum effort. They recently launched a feature where students/learners can come to their website and check their probability of getting into the IVY league college. This feature estimates the chances of graduate admission from an Indian perspective.

1.2 Business Problem

Your analysis will help Jamboree in understanding what factors are important in graduate admissions and how these factors are interrelated among themselves. It will also help predict one's chances of admission given the rest of the variables.

Dataset Column Profiling:

- Serial No. (Unique row ID)
- GRE Scores (out of 340)
- TOEFL Scores (out of 120)
- University Rating (out of 5)
- Statement of Purpose and Letter of Recommendation Strength (out of 5)
- Undergraduate GPA (out of 10)
- Research Experience (either 0 or 1)
- Chance of Admit (ranging from 0 to 1)

Concept Used:

- Exploratory Data Analysis
- Linear Regression

1.3 Additional views

In this case study, we will focus on using linear regression to build a model which can predict chances of admission for a given candidate. We will test and attempt to ensure that all linear regression assumptions are satisfied. We will use Ordinary least square APIs from statsmodel library for building/validating the model.

1.4 Solution

1.4.1 Import common libraries and read data

```
[1]: import numpy as np
     import pandas as pd
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import seaborn as sns
     #from sklearn.model_selection import train test_split # Sklearn package'su
     → randomized data splitting function
     data = pd.read_csv('data/Jamboree_Admission.csv')
     #create a copy of the original data for updates as necessary
     df = data.copy()
     df.head()
[1]:
                    GRE Score TOEFL Score
                                            University Rating
                                                                           CGPA \
        Serial No.
                                                                SOP
                                                                     LOR
                          337
                                                                           9.65
                                        118
                                                                4.5
                                                                      4.5
     1
                 2
                          324
                                       107
                                                                4.0
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                                                                           8.87
     2
                 3
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                          316
                                       104
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     3
                 4
                          322
                                       110
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                                                                3.5
                                                                      2.5 8.67
                 5
                          314
                                       103
                                                             2
                                                                2.0
                                                                      3.0 8.21
        Research Chance of Admit
     0
                              0.92
               1
     1
               1
                              0.76
                              0.72
               1
                              0.80
     3
               1
                              0.65
[2]: df.shape
[2]: (500, 9)
[3]: df.info()
    <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
    RangeIndex: 500 entries, 0 to 499
    Data columns (total 9 columns):
```

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	Serial No.	500 non-null	int64
1	GRE Score	500 non-null	int64
2	TOEFL Score	500 non-null	int64
3	University Rating	500 non-null	int64
4	SOP	500 non-null	float64

```
6
         CGPA
                             500 non-null
                                              float64
                             500 non-null
     7
                                              int64
         Research
         Chance of Admit
                             500 non-null
                                              float64
    dtypes: float64(4), int64(5)
    memory usage: 35.3 KB
[4]: df.describe().T
[4]:
                                                                              50% \
                         count
                                     mean
                                                   std
                                                           min
                                                                      25%
     Serial No.
                         500.0
                                250.50000
                                           144.481833
                                                          1.00
                                                                125.7500
                                                                           250.50
     GRE Score
                         500.0 316.47200
                                            11.295148 290.00
                                                                308.0000
                                                                           317.00
     TOEFL Score
                         500.0 107.19200
                                             6.081868
                                                         92.00
                                                                103.0000
                                                                           107.00
                        500.0
                                                                  2.0000
    University Rating
                                  3.11400
                                             1.143512
                                                          1.00
                                                                             3.00
     SOP
                                                          1.00
                                                                  2.5000
                                                                             3.50
                         500.0
                                  3.37400
                                             0.991004
    LOR
                         500.0
                                  3.48400
                                             0.925450
                                                          1.00
                                                                  3.0000
                                                                             3.50
     CGPA
                         500.0
                                  8.57644
                                             0.604813
                                                          6.80
                                                                  8.1275
                                                                             8.56
     Research
                                                          0.00
                                                                             1.00
                         500.0
                                  0.56000
                                             0.496884
                                                                  0.0000
     Chance of Admit
                         500.0
                                  0.72174
                                             0.141140
                                                          0.34
                                                                   0.6300
                                                                             0.72
                            75%
                                    max
     Serial No.
                         375.25
                                 500.00
     GRE Score
                         325.00
                                 340.00
     TOEFL Score
                         112.00
                                 120.00
     University Rating
                           4.00
                                   5.00
     SOP
                           4.00
                                   5.00
    LOR
                           4.00
                                   5.00
     CGPA
                           9.04
                                   9.92
     Research
                           1.00
                                   1.00
     Chance of Admit
                           0.82
                                   0.97
[5]: # Remove leading/trailing spaces from the column names
     df.columns = df.columns.str.strip()
     #check possible values of ordinal variables
     for col in ['University Rating', 'SOP', 'LOR']:
         print(df[col].value_counts())
    3
         162
    2
         126
    4
         105
    5
          73
    1
          34
    Name: University Rating, dtype: int64
    4.0
           89
    3.5
           88
    3.0
           80
    2.5
           64
```

500 non-null

float64

5

LOR

```
4.5
        63
        43
2.0
5.0
        42
1.5
        25
         6
1.0
Name: SOP, dtype: int64
3.0
        99
4.0
        94
        86
3.5
4.5
        63
2.5
        50
5.0
        50
2.0
        46
1.5
        11
1.0
         1
Name: LOR, dtype: int64
```

Observations

- 1. The dataset has 500 rows and 9 columns. The dataset does not have any missing (null) values.
- 2. 'Chance of Admit' is the target (dependent) column with probability value ranging from 0.34 to 0.97. The mean and median probability values are ~ 0.72 .
- 3. 'Serial No' is an identifier column and will be removed from the further analysis.
- 4. There is a significant difference in the scale of different independent features. 'GRE Score' and 'TOEFL Score' values have relatively higher range [290, 340] and [92, 120] respectively while variables such as 'University Rating', 'SOP', 'LOR' have values in lower range [1, 5]. In the following sections, we will use feature scaling to address this.
- 5. 'GRE score', 'TOEFL Score', and 'CGPA' can be treated as continuous variables and thus are suitable for linear regression analysis after feature scaling.
- 6. 'University Rating', 'SOP', and 'LOR' seem ordinal categorical in nature and hence suitable for linear regression analysis.
- 7. 'Research' is a dichotomous variable with numeric value $\{0,1\}$ and hence suitable for the linear regression.

1.4.2 Remove Serial No column

```
[6]: #helper function
def dropcol(df, cols, inplace=False):
    if type(cols) is str:
        cols = [cols]
    for col in cols:
        if(col in df.columns):
            df.drop(labels=col, axis=1, inplace=inplace)
        return df
```

```
# Remove Serial No column
dropcol(df, 'Serial No.', inplace=True)
```

[6]:	GRE Score	TOEFL Score	University Rating	SOP	LOR	CGPA	Research	\
0	337	118	4	4.5	4.5	9.65	1	
1	324	107	4	4.0	4.5	8.87	1	
2	316	104	3	3.0	3.5	8.00	1	
3	322	110	3	3.5	2.5	8.67	1	
4	314	103	2	2.0	3.0	8.21	0	
		•••		•••		•••		
49	95 332	108	5	4.5	4.0	9.02	1	
49	96 337	117	5	5.0	5.0	9.87	1	
49	97 330	120	5	4.5	5.0	9.56	1	
49	98 312	103	4	4.0	5.0	8.43	0	
49	99 327	113	4	4.5	4.5	9.04	0	
	Chance of	Admit						
0		0.92						
1		0.76						
2		0.72						
3		0.80						
4		0.65						
	•	•••						
49	95	0.87						
49	96	0.96						
49	97	0.93						
49	98	0.73						
49	99	0.84						

[500 rows x 8 columns]

[7]: df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 500 entries, 0 to 499
Data columns (total 8 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	GRE Score	500 non-null	int64
1	TOEFL Score	500 non-null	int64
2	University Rating	500 non-null	int64
3	SOP	500 non-null	float64
4	LOR	500 non-null	float64
5	CGPA	500 non-null	float64
6	Research	500 non-null	int64
7	Chance of Admit	500 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(4), int64(4)
memory usage: 31.4 KB

1.4.3 Univariate Analysis

```
[8]: cols = ['GRE Score', 'TOEFL Score', 'University Rating', 'SOP', 'LOR', 'CGPA', □

→'Research', 'Chance of Admit']

fig, ax = plt.subplots(len(cols), 2, figsize=(10, 16))

for i in range(len(cols)):

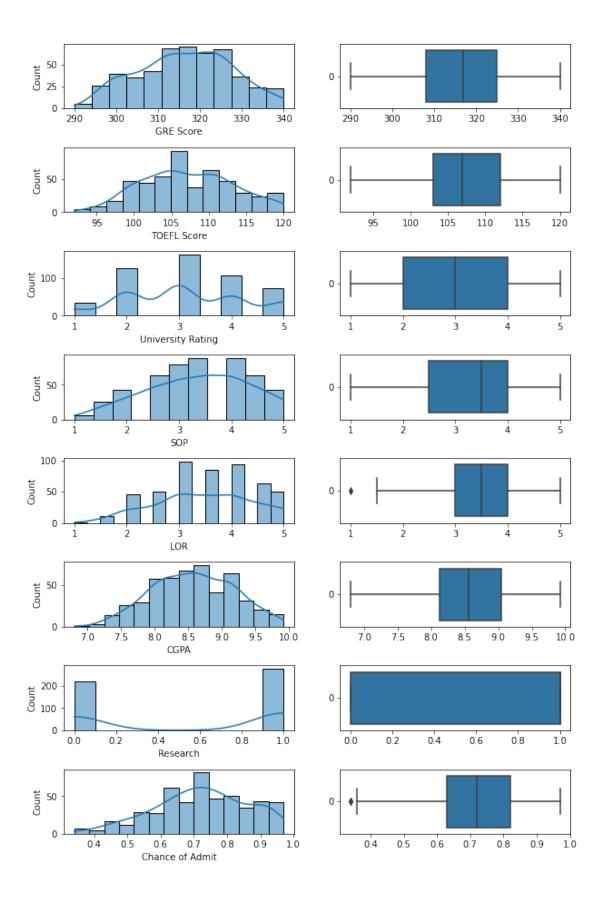
    col = cols[i]

    sns.histplot(data=df[col], kde=True, ax=ax[i][0])

    sns.boxplot(data=df[col], orient="horizontal", ax=ax[i][1])

plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.6)

plt.show()
```



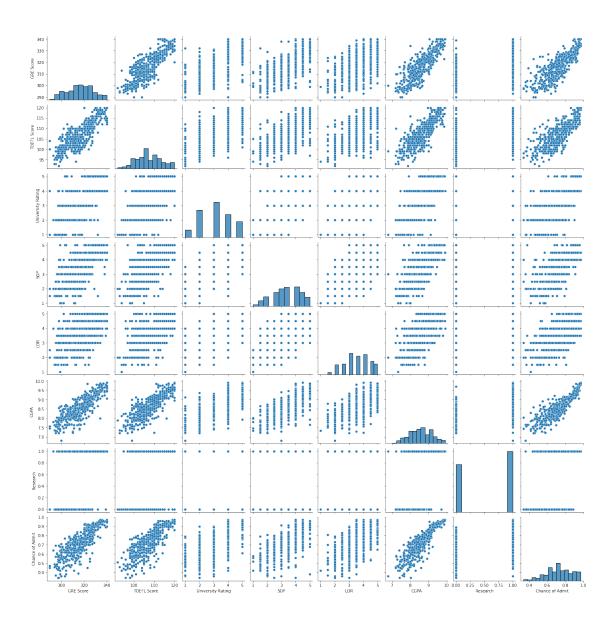
```
[9]: df.describe().T
[9]:
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     GRE Score
                          500.0
                                             11.295148
                                                                  308.0000
                                 316.47200
                                                         290.00
                                                                             317.00
     TOEFL Score
                          500.0
                                 107.19200
                                              6.081868
                                                          92.00
                                                                  103.0000
                                                                             107.00
     University Rating
                          500.0
                                   3.11400
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     SOP
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                                   3.37400
                                              0.991004
                                                           1.00
                                                                    2.5000
                                                                               3.50
     LOR
                          500.0
                                   3.48400
                                              0.925450
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                                                                    3.0000
                                                                               3.50
     CGPA
                          500.0
                                   8.57644
                                              0.604813
                                                           6.80
                                                                               8.56
                                                                    8.1275
     Research
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                                              0.496884
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                                                                               1.00
     Chance of Admit
                          500.0
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                                                                    0.6300
                                                                               0.72
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     GRE Score
                          325.00
                                  340.00
     TOEFL Score
                          112.00
                                  120.00
     University Rating
                            4.00
                                    5.00
     SOP
                            4.00
                                    5.00
     LOR
                            4.00
                                    5.00
     CGPA
                            9.04
                                    9.92
     Research
                            1.00
                                    1.00
     Chance of Admit
                            0.82
                                    0.97
```

Observations

- 1. The distributions of 'GRE Score' and 'TOEFL Score' look fairly symmetrical with their mean and median coinciding (at 317 and 107 respectively).
- 2. The distribution of 'university rating' look relatively symmetrical as well with its mean at 3.1 and median at 3.
- 3. 'CGPA' distribution appear symmetrical as well with its mean and median coinciding at 8.56.
- 4. 'SOP' and 'LOR' appear somewhat left skewed. Similarly, 'Chance of Admit' is left skewed as well.
- 5. There is one outlier having LOR value 1. Similarly, there is one outlier in 'Chance of Admit' variable. We will check them further in the section on outliers analysis.

1.4.4 Bivariate analysis

Pair plot and correlation



```
[11]: #correlation matrix
    corr_df = df.corr(method='pearson')

plt.figure(figsize=(15,6))
    sns.heatmap(corr_df, cmap="YlGnBu", annot=True)
    plt.show()
```



Observations

- 1. There is a strong correlation among GRE Score, TOEFL Score, and CGPA values (>0.8). Similarly, there is high correlation among other independent features such as SOP, LOR, University Ranking, and the three scores variables. Also, from the scatter plot, we can observe that GRE, TOEFL scores and CGPA have strong linear relationship. Similarly, there seems some linear relationship among other independent features such as LOR, SOP, University Rating, and the three scores. Thus our dataset seem to have high multicollinearity which is not desirable for linear regression. In the subsequent sections, we will attempt to address this by computing VIF score, and combining, removing features to remove multicollinearity.
- 2. Chance of Admit dependent variable seem to have linear relationship with all the other independent variables. This is desirable. CGPA, GRE, and TOEFL scores seem to have strong correlation with chance of admit. Similarly, SOP, LOR, and University rating also have high positive correlation with chance of admit.
- 3. Research variable has moderate correlation with chance of admit. Similarly, it has moderate to weak correlation with other independent features.

1.4.5 Data preprocessing

Outliers detection and treatment Linear regression is sensitive to outliers. Therefore, it's desirable to treat outliers before building the model.

```
[12]: #helper function to find outliers
def findoutliers(arr):
    q3 = np.percentile(arr, 75)
    q1 = np.percentile(arr, 25)
    iqr = q3-q1
    ulim = q3 + 1.5*iqr
    llim = q1 - 1.5*iqr
    return pd.Series([True if((ele > ulim) or (ele < llim)) else False for ele
    →in arr])</pre>
```

```
n = df.shape[0]
outliers = []
outlier_rows = pd.Series([False]*n)

for col in df.columns:
    ret = findoutliers(df[col])
    outlier_rows = outlier_rows | ret
    outliers_n = ret.sum()
    outliers.append([col, outliers_n, np.round((outliers_n / n) * 100, 2)])

print(pd.DataFrame(outliers, columns=['column', 'outlier count', 'outlier %']))
print(f'\nTotal outlier records = {np.sum(outlier_rows)}')
print(f'Total outlier record percentage = {(np.sum(outlier_rows)/n)*100}%')
```

	column	outlier count	outlier %
0	GRE Score	0	0.0
1	TOEFL Score	0	0.0
2	University Rating	0	0.0
3	SOP	0	0.0
4	LOR	1	0.2
5	CGPA	0	0.0
6	Research	0	0.0
7	Chance of Admit	2	0.4

Total outlier records = 3
Total outlier record percentage = 0.6%

Since the count of outlier rows is very small, we can remove them.

```
[13]: df = df[~outlier_rows]
    df.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 497 entries, 0 to 499
Data columns (total 8 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	GRE Score	497 non-null	int64
1	TOEFL Score	497 non-null	int64
2	University Rating	497 non-null	int64
3	SOP	497 non-null	float64
4	LOR	497 non-null	float64
5	CGPA	497 non-null	float64
6	Research	497 non-null	int64
7	Chance of Admit	497 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(4), int64(4)

memory usage: 34.9 KB

1.4.6 Creating training and test sets

The given data-set has 500 rows. We divide this data-set into two sets-training (70%) and test(30%). We use training set to train models, and use test set to validate model accuracy measures.

NOTE - It is more desirable to split the given data-set into *training*, *validation*, and *test* data-sets, and use training/validation for feature selection, model building, and parameter tuning, and finally use unseen test dataset to test model performance. However, since the given dataset has only 500 rows, we split it into just training and test datasets.

```
[15]: X_train = X_train.reset_index(drop=True)
    X_test = X_test.reset_index(drop=True)
    y_train = y_train.reset_index(drop=True)
    y_test = y_test.reset_index(drop=True)

print(X_train.shape)
    print(X_test.shape)
    print(X_train.shape)
    print(y_test.shape)
```

(347, 7) (150, 7) (347, 7) (150,)

1.4.7 Feature Scaling

As observed in the univariate analysis section, different features have different scales. The standard linear regression may not necessarily require sstandardization/normalization, however, while using penalization methods like Lasso and Ridge regression, it's usually advisable to scale the features. We will use minmax normalization for this case study.

```
[16]: from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler, StandardScaler

#helper function to normalize features
def normalize_features(df, scaler=None):
    if(scaler is None):
        scaler = MinMaxScaler()
        scaler.fit(df)

scaled_values = scaler.transform(df) # this returns numpy.ndarray not df.
    df = pd.DataFrame(scaled_values, columns=df.columns)
```

```
return df, scaler

X_train, scaler = normalize_features(X_train)
X_test, scaler = normalize_features(X_test, scaler)
```

[17]: X_train.describe().T

```
[17]:
                         count
                                   mean
                                              std
                                                   min
                                                              25%
                                                                        50%
      GRE Score
                                                   0.0
                         347.0
                               0.521614
                                          0.222814
                                                        0.360000
                                                                   0.520000
      TOEFL Score
                         347.0
                               0.523642
                                         0.222858 0.0 0.370370
                                                                   0.518519
     University Rating
                        347.0 0.520173
                                        0.282479 0.0 0.250000
                                                                  0.500000
      SOP
                         347.0 0.590058
                                         0.242284 0.0 0.375000
                                                                  0.625000
     LOR
                         347.0 0.562371
                                         0.261867 0.0 0.428571
                                                                   0.571429
      CGPA
                         347.0 0.570957
                                         0.189316 0.0 0.427653
                                                                  0.559486
      Research
                         347.0 0.536023
                                         0.499421 0.0 0.000000
                                                                  1.000000
                             75%
                                  max
      GRE Score
                         0.680000
                                  1.0
      TOEFL Score
                         0.666667
                                  1.0
     University Rating
                        0.750000 1.0
     SOP
                         0.750000 1.0
     LOR
                         0.714286 1.0
      CGPA
                         0.720257
                                  1.0
      Research
                         1.000000
                                  1.0
```

1.4.8 Feature Selection

In this section, we implement a few helper APIs to simply the use of Statsmodel OLS APIs. We then build several versions of linear models-each with different set of independent features-starting with one feature and gradually adding more features. For each model, we keep track of VIF values (to ensure low multicollineairy), and the accuracy scores (esp adjusted Rsquared) against both training and test data-sets. We finally select the model which provides sufficient accuracy without suffering from multicollinearity.

```
self.olsres = self.olsmod.fit()
       self.olsres_l = self.olsmod.fit_regularized(method='elastic_net',__
\rightarrowalpha=0.01, L1_wt=1.0) #lasso
       self.olsres_r = self.olsmod.fit_regularized(method='elastic_net',_
\rightarrowalpha=0.01, L1 wt=0.0) #Ridge
       self.dim = X_df_sm.shape[1]
       return self.olsmod, self.olsres, self.olsres_r
   def predict(self, X_df):
       if(X df.shape[1] != self.dim):
           X_df = sm.add_constant(X_df)
       return self.olsres.predict(X_df), self.olsres_l.predict(X_df), self.
→olsres_r.predict(X_df)
   def rsquared(self, y, y_hat):
       y_{mean} = np.mean(y)
       SSr = np.sum((y - y_hat)**2)
       SSt = np.sum((y - y_mean)**2)
       return 1 - SSr/SSt
   def rsquared_adj(self, X, y, y_hat):
       rsq = self.rsquared(y, y_hat)
       n = X.shape[0]
       k = X.shape[1]
       return 1 - ((1 - rsq) * (n-1)/(n-k-1))
   def mse(self, y, y_hat):
       return np.mean((y - y_hat)**2)
   def rmse(self, y, y_hat):
       return self.mse(y, y_hat)**0.5
   def mae(self, y, y_hat):
       return np.mean(abs(y - y_hat))
   def mape(self, y, y_hat):
       return np.mean(abs((y - y_hat) / y))
   def evalmodel(self, X_train, y_train, y_hat_train_map, X_test, y_test,__
→y_hat_test_map):
       res = []
       regularization = ['None', 'Lasso', 'Ridge']
       #add training eval param
       for reg in regularization:
```

```
y_hat = y_hat_train_map[reg]
            res.append((
                'training',
                reg,
                self.rsquared(y_train, y_hat),
                self.rsquared_adj(X_train, y_train, y_hat),
                self.rmse(y_train, y_hat),
                self.mae(y_train, y_hat),
                self.mape(y_train, y_hat),
            ))
        #add test eval param if available
        if(X test is not None):
            for reg in regularization:
                y_hat = y_hat_test_map[reg]
                res.append((
                    'test',
                    reg,
                    self.rsquared(y_test, y_hat),
                    self.rsquared_adj(X_test, y_test, y_hat),
                    self.rmse(y_test, y_hat),
                    self.mae(y_test, y_hat),
                    self.mape(y_test, y_hat),
                ))
       return pd.DataFrame(res, columns=['dataset', 'regularization', _

¬'rsquared', 'rsquared_adj', 'RMSE', 'MAE', 'MAPE'])
#Helper function to build and show OLS model
def displayOLSModel(X_train, y_train, X_test, y_test, showsummary=True):
   ols helper = OLSHelper()
   model, olsres_1, olsres_r = ols_helper.createModel(X_train, y_train)
    #print OLS model summary
   if(showsummary):
        print(olsres.summary())
   #predict
   y_hat_train, y_hat_l_train, y_hat_r_train = ols_helper.predict(X_train)
   y_hat_test, y_hat_l_test, y_hat_r_test = ols_helper.predict(X_test)
   y_hat_train_map = {
        'None': y_hat_train, 'Lasso': y_hat_l_train, 'Ridge': y_hat_r_train
   y_hat_test_map = {
        'None': y_hat_test, 'Lasso': y_hat_l_test, 'Ridge': y_hat_r_test
```

```
}
return ols_helper.evalmodel(X_train, y_train, y_hat_train_map , X_test,
y_test, y_hat_test_map)
displayOLSModel(X_train, y_train, X_test, y_test)
```

OLS Regression Results

		=======	=========		========
Dep. Variable:		у	R-squared:		0.815
Model:		OLS	Adj. R-square	ed:	0.811
Method:	Least	Squares	F-statistic:		212.8
Date:	Sat, 05 N	Nov 2022	Prob (F-stat	istic):	6.12e-120
Time:	2	22:00:13	Log-Likeliho	od:	485.34
No. Observations:		347	AIC:		-954.7
Df Residuals:		339	BIC:		-923.9
Df Model:		7			
Covariance Type:	no	onrobust			
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	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025
0.975]	0001	200 011	•	21 101	201020
const	0.3537	0.011	32.946	0.000	0.333
0.375					
GRE Score	0.0257	0.032	0.799	0.425	-0.037
0.089					
TOEFL Score	0.0780	0.030	2.630	0.009	0.020
0.136					
University Rating	0.0203	0.018	1.128	0.260	-0.015
0.056					
SOP	0.0277	0.022	1.257	0.210	-0.016
0.071					
LOR	0.0442	0.017	2.540	0.012	0.010
0.078					
CGPA	0.4218	0.037	11.523	0.000	0.350
0.494					
Research	0.0341	0.008	4.326	0.000	0.019
0.050					
Omnibus:		87.136			2.042
<pre>Prob(Omnibus):</pre>		0.000	Jarque-Bera	(JB):	186.211
Skew:		-1.282	Prob(JB):		3.67e-41
Kurtosis:		5.510	Cond. No.		23.7
==========					

Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

rsquared_adj

0.810770

RMSE

0.059749

MAE \

0.042657

rsquared

0.814599

None

[18]:

3

4

2

SOP

LOR

Research

University Rating

18.14

10.98

10.57

3.13

0 training

dataset regularization

```
training
                           Lasso
                                  0.682121
                                                0.675557
                                                           0.078235
                                                                     0.062245
      1
      2
        training
                           Ridge 0.799926
                                                0.795795 0.062068 0.045654
      3
                            None 0.826055
                                                0.817480
                                                          0.057431
                                                                     0.043511
             test
      4
                           Lasso 0.747048
                                                0.734579 0.069256
                                                                     0.054389
             test
      5
                           Ridge 0.835646
                                                0.827545 0.055825
                                                                     0.041758
             test
             MAPE
      0 0.068240
      1 0.096223
      2 0.072983
      3 0.067564
      4 0.082006
      5 0.064672
[19]: from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation_factor
      #helper function to show VIF for all columns
      def showVif(X_df):
          vif = pd.DataFrame()
          vif['Features'] = X_df.columns
          vif['VIF'] = [variance_inflation_factor(X_df.values, i) for i in range(X_df.
       \rightarrowshape[1])]
          vif['VIF'] = round(vif['VIF'], 2)
          vif = vif.sort_values(by = "VIF", ascending = False)
          return vif
[20]: showVif(X_train)
[20]:
                  Features
                              VIF
      5
                      CGPA
                           37.05
      0
                 GRE Score 31.40
      1
               TOEFL Score 27.04
```

We observe high VIF for CGPA, GRE Score, TOEFL Score, as well as other features except for Research.

One way is to remove the features with high VIF values. However, since CGPA, GRE, and TOEFL scores can be important in determining admission (based on our natural intuition), we cannot remove them. Instead, we can combine them into a single score variable named 'academic_score'

Combine GRE, TOEFL, and CGPA into a single academic_score variable

```
[43]: def combine_exam_scores(df):
         if('academic_score' not in df.columns):
             df['academic_score'] = (df['GRE Score'] + df['TOEFL Score'] +__

df['CGPA'])/3
         return df
     combine_exam_scores(X_train)
     combine exam scores(X test)
     dropcol(X_train, ['GRE Score', 'TOEFL Score', 'CGPA'], inplace=True)
     dropcol(X_test, ['GRE Score', 'TOEFL Score', 'CGPA'], inplace=True)
     X_train.describe().T
[43]:
                                                               25%
                                                                        50% \
                       count
                                            std
                                 mean
                                                     {\tt min}
     University Rating 347.0 0.520173 0.282479 0.000000 0.250000 0.500000
     SOP
                       347.0 0.590058 0.242284 0.000000 0.375000 0.625000
     LOR
                       347.0 0.562371 0.261867 0.000000 0.428571 0.571429
     Research
                       347.0 0.536023 0.499421 0.000000 0.000000 1.000000
     academic_score
                       347.0 0.538738 0.199153 0.086688 0.402189 0.517062
                            75% max
     University Rating 0.750000 1.0
     SOP
                       0.750000 1.0
     LOR
                       0.714286 1.0
     Research
                       1.000000 1.0
     academic_score
                       0.686315 1.0
[22]: #run VIF again
     print(showVif(X_train))
     #check OLS model
     displayOLSModel(X_train, y_train, X_test, y_test)
                Features
                           VIF
                     SOP 17.74
     1
          academic score 16.81
     4
       University Rating 10.48
     2
                    LOR 10.23
     3
                Research
                          2.95
                               OLS Regression Results
     ______
     Dep. Variable:
                                          R-squared:
                                                                         0.783
     Model:
                                     OLS
                                          Adj. R-squared:
                                                                         0.780
     Method:
                                          F-statistic:
                                                                         246.3
                           Least Squares
```

Date: Time: No. Observations: Df Residuals: Df Model: Covariance Type:	no	22:00:14 347 341 5 onrobust	Prob (F-sta Log-Likelih AIC: BIC:		7.56e-111 458.17 -904.3 -881.2
====					Fo. 005
0.975]	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025
const 0.403	0.3819	0.011	35.194	0.000	0.361
University Rating 0.061	0.0231	0.019	1.192	0.234	-0.015
SOP 0.087	0.0401	0.024	1.693	0.091	-0.006
LOR 0.107	0.0713	0.018	3.901	0.000	0.035
Research	0.0276	0.008	3.328	0.001	0.011
<pre>academic_score 0.513</pre>	0.4571	0.028	16.160	0.000	0.401
Omnibus:	=======	80.670	======= Durbin-Wats	======= on:	2.033
<pre>Prob(Omnibus):</pre>		0.000	Jarque-Bera	(JB):	162.358
Skew:		-1.218	Prob(JB):		5.55e-36
Kurtosis:		5.302	Cond. No.		14.4
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Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

[22]:	dataset	regularization	rsquared	rsquared_adj	RMSE	MAE	\
0	training	None	0.783171	0.779992	0.064615	0.047390	
1	training	Lasso	0.509576	0.502385	0.097176	0.076993	
2	training	Ridge	0.765956	0.762524	0.067131	0.050295	
3	test	None	0.842431	0.836959	0.054661	0.040473	
4	test	Lasso	0.559065	0.543754	0.091438	0.071836	
5	test	Ridge	0.818542	0.812242	0.058658	0.043374	

MAPE

0 0.075968

1 0.118270

2 0.080431

```
3 0.062895
```

[24]: X_train = X_train.copy()

We still observe high VIF for all features except Research. We can try removing SOP column and try again.

```
_X_test = X_test.copy()
dropcol(_X_train, ['SOP'], inplace=True)
dropcol(_X_test, ['SOP'], inplace=True)
print(showVif(_X_train))
displayOLSModel(_X_train, y_train, _X_test, y_test)
                   VIF
          Features
3
     academic_score 13.43
 University Rating 9.32
              LOR 8.65
1
2
          Research 2.95
                        OLS Regression Results
                                   R-squared:
Dep. Variable:
                                                                0.781
Model:
                              OLS Adj. R-squared:
                                                                0.779
Method:
                     Least Squares F-statistic:
                                                                305.5
                 Sat, 05 Nov 2022 Prob (F-statistic):
Date:
                                                          1.69e-111
Time:
                         22:00:14
                                  Log-Likelihood:
                                                               456.72
                                   AIC:
                                                               -903.4
No. Observations:
                              347
                                  BIC:
Df Residuals:
                              342
                                                               -884.2
Df Model:
                               4
Covariance Type:
                       nonrobust
                     coef std err t P>|t|
                                                           Γ0.025
0.975]
const
                   0.3860 0.011 36.390
                                                 0.000
                                                           0.365
0.407
                                      1.913
                   0.0347 0.018
                                                 0.057
                                                           -0.001
University Rating
0.070
                          0.017
LOR
                   0.0819
                                       4.752
                                                 0.000
                                                           0.048
0.116
Research
                   0.0283
                              0.008
                                       3.396
                                                 0.001
                                                            0.012
0.045
                             0.027
                                                 0.000
academic_score 0.4705
                                      17.290
                                                            0.417
0.524
```

^{4 0.107787}

^{5 0.066987}

Omnibus: 78.151 Durbin-Watson: 2.049

 Ommirbus:
 78.131
 Durbin-watson:
 2.049

 Prob(Omnibus):
 0.000
 Jarque-Bera (JB):
 156.451

 Skew:
 -1.183
 Prob(JB):
 1.06e-34

 Kurtosis:
 5.286
 Cond. No.
 12.9

Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

```
[24]:
         dataset regularization rsquared rsquared_adj
                                                          RMSE
                                                                     MAE \
                          None 0.781348
                                             0.778791 0.064886 0.047567
     0 training
     1 training
                         Lasso 0.509576
                                             0.503840 0.097176 0.076993
                         Ridge 0.765741
                                             0.763001 0.067161 0.050405
     2 training
     3
            test
                         None 0.843557
                                             0.839241 0.054465 0.039993
     4
            test
                         Lasso 0.559065
                                             0.546901 0.091438 0.071836
     5
                         Ridge 0.824864
                                             0.820032 0.057627 0.042851
            test
            MAPE
     0 0.076059
     1 0.118270
     2 0.080379
     3 0.062163
     4 0.107787
     5 0.066009
```

We still have high VIF for all features except Research. Next, we try building several versions of linear models starting with one feature and adding more features till all VIFs < 5 and accuracy is sufficient.

```
[44]: _X_train = X_train.copy()
_X_test = X_test.copy()

#print(showVif(_X_train))
selected_cols = ['academic_score']
displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols], u
→y_test, False)
```

```
Features VIF
1 SOP 17.74
4 academic_score 16.81
0 University Rating 10.48
2 LOR 10.23
3 Research 2.95
```

[44]: dataset regularization rsquared rsquared_adj RMSE MAE \
0 training None 0.749297 0.748571 0.069479 0.050731

```
training
                     Lasso
                            0.715831
                                           0.715008 0.073971
                                                                0.058315
1
  training
2
                     Ridge
                            0.736726
                                           0.735963
                                                     0.071199
                                                                0.054007
3
       test
                      None
                            0.819753
                                           0.818535
                                                     0.058462
                                                                0.044852
4
                     Lasso
                            0.769460
                                           0.767902
                                                     0.066117
                                                                0.054334
       test
5
                     Ridge
                            0.798977
                                           0.797619
                                                     0.061740
                                                                0.048924
       test
       MAPE
0
  0.080182
  0.089206
1
2
 0.084239
3 0.068776
4
 0.080753
  0.074103
```

Observation - Using just 'academic_score' as the lone variable, we get adj Rsquare of 74% and $\sim 82\%$ for training and test data. We will add more features to see if the accuracy can be improved without introducing multicollinearity.

```
[28]:
          dataset regularization rsquared
                                            rsquared_adj
                                                               RMSE
                                                                          MAE
         training
                            None
                                  0.759020
                                                 0.757619
                                                           0.068118
                                                                     0.049957
        training
                                                           0.072802
      1
                           Lasso
                                  0.724739
                                                 0.723138
                                                                     0.057284
      2
         training
                           Ridge
                                  0.744135
                                                 0.742648
                                                           0.070190
                                                                     0.053054
      3
             test
                            None
                                  0.817840
                                                 0.815362
                                                           0.058772
                                                                     0.043984
      4
                           Lasso
                                  0.767716
                                                 0.764556
                                                           0.066367
                                                                     0.052884
             test
                           Ridge
      5
                                  0.789925
                                                 0.787067 0.063114
                                                                     0.048201
```

```
MAPE
0 0.079227
1 0.088022
2 0.083280
3 0.067890
4 0.079172
5 0.073664
```

Research 2.93

Observation: after adding Research, Rsquare has increased slightly. VIF values are < 5. This can be a potentially good candidate model.

```
[29]: selected_cols = ['academic_score', 'LOR']
print(showVif(_X_train[selected_cols]))
```

```
displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols],__
       →y_test, False)
              Features
                         VIF
        academic_score
     0
                        7.91
     1
                   LOR
                       7.91
[29]:
         dataset regularization rsquared rsquared_adj
                                                             RMSE
                                                                        MAE
                                                                            \
       training
                           None
                                 0.770971
                                               0.769640 0.066408 0.048617
      0
                          Lasso 0.715831
                                                         0.073971
                                                                   0.058315
      1 training
                                               0.714179
      2
        training
                          Ridge
                                 0.757017
                                               0.755604
                                                         0.068401
                                                                   0.051186
      3
                           None
            test
                                 0.842585
                                               0.840444
                                                         0.054634
                                                                   0.040838
      4
            test
                          Lasso 0.769460
                                               0.766323 0.066117
                                                                   0.054334
      5
                                               0.825213 0.057182 0.042952
            test
                          Ridge 0.827559
            MAPE
      0 0.076865
      1 0.089206
      2 0.080167
      3 0.062772
      4 0.080753
      5 0.065191
     observation: High VIF. Not desirable.
[30]: selected_cols = ['academic_score', 'SOP']
      print(showVif(_X_train[selected_cols]))
      displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols],__
       →y test, False)
              Features
                          VTF
        academic_score
     0
                        12.36
     1
                   SOP
                        12.36
[30]:
         dataset regularization
                                 rsquared
                                           rsquared_adj
                                                             RMSE
                                                                        MAE
                                                                            \
                                 0.763654
                                               0.762280 0.067460 0.049342
      0 training
                           None
      1
       training
                          Lasso 0.715831
                                               0.714179
                                                         0.073971
                                                                   0.058315
                          Ridge
      2
        training
                                 0.748723
                                               0.747262
                                                         0.069558
                                                                   0.052607
      3
            test
                           None
                                 0.825847
                                               0.823477
                                                         0.057465
                                                                   0.043779
      4
                          Lasso 0.769460
                                               0.766323
                                                         0.066117
                                                                   0.054334
            test
      5
                          Ridge 0.798950
            test
                                               0.796214 0.061744 0.047347
            MAPE
      0 0.078692
      1 0.089206
      2 0.083037
      3 0.067481
      4 0.080753
```

5 0.072435

observation: High VIF. Not desirable.

```
[31]: selected_cols = ['academic_score', 'University Rating']
      print(showVif(_X_train[selected_cols]))
      displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols],__
       →y_test, False)
                 Features
                            VIF
     0
           academic_score
                           8.45
        University Rating 8.45
[31]:
         dataset regularization rsquared rsquared adj
                                                             RMSE
                                                                        MAE \
       training
                           None
                                 0.758752
                                               0.757349
                                                         0.068156 0.049877
                          Lasso 0.725423
                                               0.723827
      1 training
                                                         0.072712 0.057598
      2
       training
                          Ridge 0.742999
                                               0.741505 0.070346 0.052853
      3
            test
                           None 0.832749
                                               0.830473 0.056315 0.042626
      4
                          Lasso 0.784855
                                               0.781928 0.063871
                                                                   0.052074
             test
      5
                          Ridge 0.816838
                                               0.814346 0.058933 0.045190
            test
            MAPE
      0 0.079470
      1 0.088634
      2 0.083697
      3 0.066158
      4 0.077802
      5 0.069724
     observation: Accuracy on test data has improved. However, it has high VIF. Not desirable.
[32]: selected_cols = ['academic_score', 'LOR', 'Research']
      print(showVif(_X_train[selected_cols]))
      displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols],_u
       →y test, False)
              Features
                         VIF
     0
        academic_score
                        9.66
     1
                   LOR
                       7.91
     2
              Research 2.93
[32]:
         dataset regularization rsquared
                                           rsquared_adj
                                                             RMSE
                                                                        MAE \
      0 training
                           None 0.779010
                                               0.777077 0.065232 0.047762
      1 training
                          Lasso 0.724739
                                               0.722331
                                                         0.072802 0.057284
      2
        training
                          Ridge 0.764785
                                               0.762727
                                                         0.067298 0.050553
      3
            test
                           None 0.839437
                                               0.836138 0.055178 0.041375
      4
            test
                          Lasso 0.767716
                                               0.762943 0.066367
                                                                   0.052884
      5
            test
                          Ridge 0.818273
                                               0.814539 0.058702 0.044570
```

```
0 0.076031
      1 0.088022
      2 0.079784
      3 0.063905
      4 0.079172
      5 0.068097
     observation: High VIF. Not desirable.
[33]: selected_cols = ['academic_score', 'LOR', 'Research', 'University Rating']
      print(showVif(_X_train[selected_cols]))
      displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols],_u
       \rightarrowy test, False)
                 Features
                             VIF
     0
           academic_score 13.43
        University Rating
     3
                            9.32
     1
                      LOR
                            8.65
     2
                 Research
                            2.95
[33]:
         dataset regularization rsquared
                                                              RMSE
                                           rsquared_adj
                                                                         MAE \
      0 training
                           None 0.781348
                                                0.778791 0.064886 0.047567
      1 training
                          Lasso 0.724739
                                                0.721519 0.072802 0.057284
      2 training
                          Ridge 0.765741
                                                0.763001 0.067161 0.050405
      3
                           None 0.843557
                                                0.839241 0.054465 0.039993
            test
      4
             test
                          Lasso 0.767716
                                                0.761308 0.066367
                                                                    0.052884
      5
                          Ridge 0.824864
                                                0.820032 0.057627 0.042851
            test
            MAPE
      0 0.076059
      1 0.088022
      2 0.080379
      3 0.062163
      4 0.079172
      5 0.066009
     observation: High VIF. Not desirable.
[34]: selected_cols = ['academic_score', 'Research', 'University Rating']
      print(showVif(_X_train[selected_cols]))
      displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols],__
       →y_test, False)
                 Features
                            VIF
           academic_score
     0
                           9.77
     2 University Rating 8.52
```

MAPE

```
MAE \
[34]:
          dataset regularization
                                  rsquared
                                            rsquared_adj
                                                              RMSE
       training
                            None
                                  0.766913
                                                0.764874
                                                          0.066993
                                                                    0.049150
        training
                           Lasso
                                  0.724739
                                                0.722331
                                                          0.072802
                                                                    0.057284
      1
      2
        training
                           Ridge
                                  0.751343
                                                0.749169
                                                          0.069195
                                                                    0.051732
      3
             test
                            None
                                  0.830684
                                                0.827205
                                                          0.056662
                                                                    0.041393
      4
                                  0.767716
                                                          0.066367
             test
                           Lasso
                                                0.762943
                                                                    0.052884
      5
                           Ridge
                                  0.812088
                                                0.808227 0.059692 0.043525
             test
            MAPE
        0.078627
      1 0.088022
      2 0.082558
      3 0.064673
      4 0.079172
      5 0.067734
     observation: High VIF. Not desirable.
[35]: selected_cols = ['academic_score', 'University Rating']
      print(showVif(_X_train[selected_cols]))
      displayOLSModel(_X_train[selected_cols], y_train, _X_test[selected_cols],__
       →y test, False)
                 Features
                            VIF
     0
           academic_score
                           8.45
        University Rating 8.45
[35]:
          dataset regularization
                                  rsquared
                                            rsquared_adj
                                                              RMSE
                                                                         MAE
                                  0.758752
       training
                            None
                                                0.757349
                                                          0.068156
                                                                   0.049877
      0
        training
                           Lasso
                                  0.725423
                                                0.723827
                                                          0.072712
                                                                    0.057598
        training
      2
                           Ridge 0.742999
                                                          0.070346
                                                0.741505
                                                                    0.052853
      3
             test
                            None 0.832749
                                                0.830473
                                                          0.056315
                                                                    0.042626
      4
             test
                           Lasso
                                 0.784855
                                                0.781928
                                                          0.063871
                                                                    0.052074
                           Ridge 0.816838
      5
                                                0.814346 0.058933 0.045190
             test
            MAPE
       0.079470
      1 0.088634
      2 0.083697
      3 0.066158
      4 0.077802
      5 0.069724
```

observation: High VIF. Not desirable.

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Research 2.95

1.4.9 Final Model: chance of admit ~ academic score + Research

There are two good potential candidates. 1. chance of admit \sim academic score 2. chance of admit \sim academic score + Research

The second one has slightly better adjusted R_square on training data. Their test data measures are quite similar. So we choose the second model, though, choosing first should be equally reasonable. We also observe that performance of Ridge regression model is better than Lasso regression model (for alpha=0.01). However, model without any regularization seems to be giving better accuracy than regularized model. So we will not use regularization.

```
[36]: X_train = X_train[['academic_score', 'Research']]
      _X_test = X_test[['academic_score', 'Research']]
      ols_helper = OLSHelper()
      model, olsres_0, olsres_r = ols_helper.createModel(_X_train, y_train)
      #modelsummary
      print(olsres.summary())
      #predict
      y_hat_train, y_hat_l_train, y_hat_r_train = ols_helper.predict(_X_train)
      y_hat_test, y_hat_l_test, y_hat_r_test = ols_helper.predict(_X_test)
      y_hat_train_map = {
         'None': y_hat_train, 'Lasso': y_hat_l_train, 'Ridge': y_hat_r_train
      }
      y_hat_test_map = {
          'None': y_hat_test, 'Lasso': y_hat_l_test, 'Ridge': y_hat_r_test
      ols_helper.evalmodel(_X_train, y_train, y_hat_train_map , _X_test, y_test,_u
       →y_hat_test_map)
```

OLS Regression Results

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Dep. Variable:
                                 R-squared:
                                                             0.759
Model:
                                 Adj. R-squared:
                                                            0.758
                            OLS
                                 F-statistic:
Method:
                   Least Squares
                                                            541.8
Date:
                 Sat, 05 Nov 2022
                                Prob (F-statistic):
                                                        5.02e-107
                        22:00:16
                                Log-Likelihood:
Time:
                                                            439.85
                                 AIC:
No. Observations:
                            347
                                                            -873.7
Df Residuals:
                            344
                                 BIC:
                                                            -862.1
Df Model:
                              2
Covariance Type:
                       nonrobust
                                           P>|t|
                                                     [0.025
                 coef
                        std err
0.975
```

const	0.3991	0.011	37.243	0.000	0.378
0.420					
academic_score	0.5612	0.022	25.808	0.000	0.518
0.604					
Research	0.0323	0.009	3.726	0.000	0.015
0.049					
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Omnibus:		79.938	Durbin-Wat	son:	2.113
<pre>Prob(Omnibus):</pre>		0.000	Jarque-Ber	ra (JB):	160.861
Skew:		-1.207	Prob(JB):		1.17e-35
Kurtosis:		5.302	Cond. No.		8.46
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Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

[36]:		dataget	regularization	rsquared	rsquared_adj	RMSE	MAE	\
[30].			0	-				\
	0	training	None	0.759020	0.757619	0.068118	0.049957	
	1	training	Lasso	0.724739	0.723138	0.072802	0.057284	
	2	training	Ridge	0.744135	0.742648	0.070190	0.053054	
	3	test	None	0.817840	0.815362	0.058772	0.043984	
	4	test	Lasso	0.767716	0.764556	0.066367	0.052884	
	5	test	Ridge	0.789925	0.787067	0.063114	0.048201	
		MAPE						
	0	0.079227						
	1	0.088022						
	2	0.083280						
	3	0.067890						
	4	0.079172						
	5	0.073664						

Model interpretation

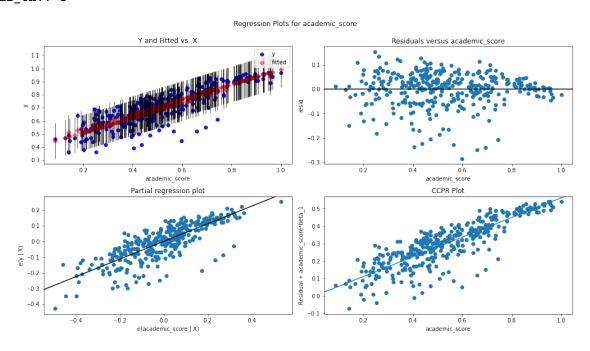
- 1. The linear regression model has 'chance of admit' as the dependent variable. 'academic_score' and 'Research' as independent features.
- 2. The model equation is: Chance_of_admit = 0.5612 * academic_score + 0.0323 * Research + 0.3991
- 3. Both the coefficients are positive, which means that as value of academic_score and Research increases, the value of the dependent variable also tends to increase.
- 4. **academic_score coeff 0.5612** It means with the increase of 1 unit(say 0.1, as our values are normalized), the chances of admit will go up by 0.5612 units (that 0.05612 for 0.1 increase in score), other variables remaining constant. We also observe that compared to Research

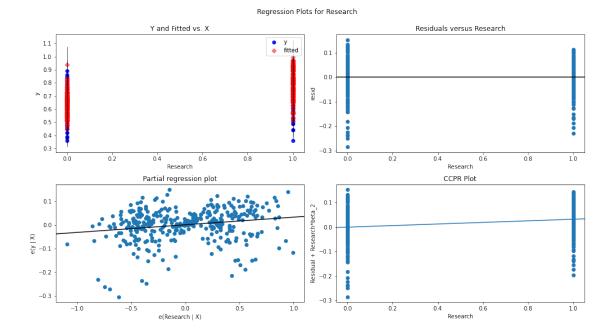
coefficient, academic_score has much more impact on the chances of admit.

- 5. **Research coeff 0.0323** It means that the chance of admit for a person having research experience increases by 0.0323 over someone having exactly the same profile but without the research experience.
- 6. **intercept 0.3991** represents the mean chance of admit when both the predictor variables in the model are equal to zero.

Regression plots

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1.4.10 Assumptions of Linear Regression.

In this section, we discuss various necessary assumptions for linear regression.

- 3. Linearity of variables (no pattern in the residual plot): We check this assumption below.
- 4. Test for Homoscedasticity: We check this assumption below.
- 5. **Normality of residuals:** The residual distribution should look guassian (almost bell-shaped curve). The plots in QQ plot should lie almost along the line. We check this assumption below.
- 1. Multicollinearity: Linear regression assumes that there is little or no multicollinearity among the independent features. Multicollinearity occurs when the independent variables are highly correlated with each other. In the previous sections, we used correlation matrix/heatmap to identify high correlation among independent features. We then calculated VIF to identify features with high collinearity. We combined GRE, TOEFL, and CGPA into a single academic score variable as these are highly correlated and yet important features (based on intuition). We then evaluated several models starting with single feature 'academic_score', and the adding more features and observing both VIF and Rsquare measures. At the end, we chose the following model.

chance of admit ~ academic score + Research

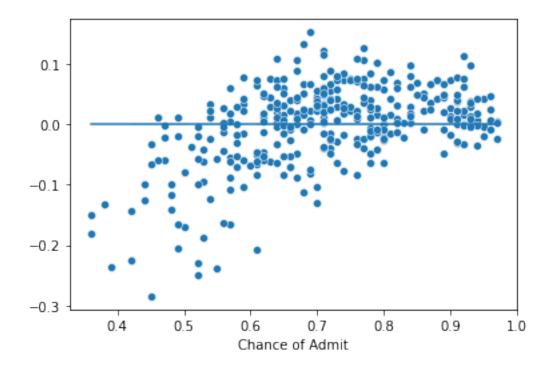
where a cademic_score is an engineered feature combining GRE score, TOEFL score, and CGPA. This model has VIF scores <5 and adjusted Rsquare score of $\sim\!75.8\%$ on training data and $\sim\!81.5\%$ on the test data.

Thus, our model meets multicollinearity assumption.

2. Mean of residuals The mean of residuals should be nearly zero. As shown in the plot below, the mean value of residuals is very close to zero. So this assumption is satisfied.

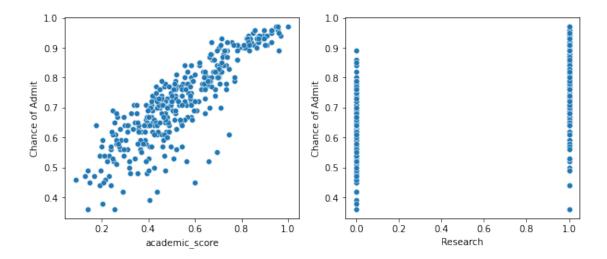
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[38]: resid_mean = np.mean(olsres.resid)
sns.scatterplot(x=y_train, y=olsres.resid)
sns.lineplot(x=y_train, y=[resid_mean]*len(y_train))
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[38]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Chance of Admit'>



3. Linearity of variables There should be linear relationship between the independent and dependent variables. We can confirm this from the scatter plots shown below.

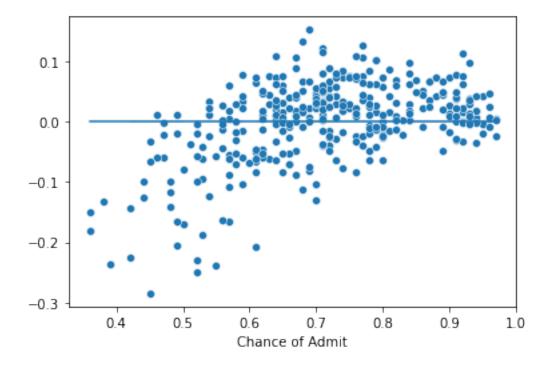
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[39]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(10, 4))
sns.scatterplot(x=X_train['academic_score'], y=y_train, ax=ax[0])
sns.scatterplot(x=X_train['Research'], y=y_train, ax=ax[1])
plt.show()
```



4. Test for Homoscedasticity The error terms (residuals) should be constant around zero. We observe that for the lower values of chance of admit (<0.6), the errors seem to be biased towards negative values. However, when chance of admit is > 0.6, the errors seem constant around zero. Thus the assumption of Homoscedasticity is met only partially.

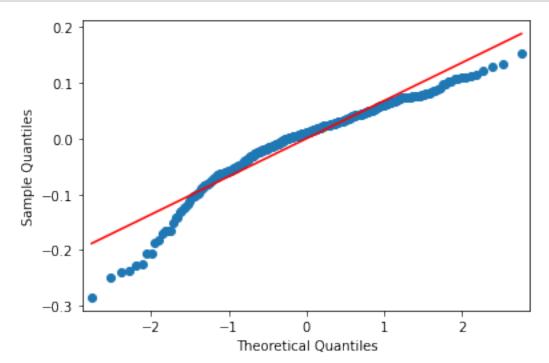
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[40]: sns.scatterplot(x=y_train, y=olsres.resid) sns.lineplot(x=y_train, y=[0]*len(y_train))
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[40]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Chance of Admit'>



5. Normality of residuals The residual distribution should look guassian (almost bell-shaped curve). The plots in QQ plot should lie almost along the line. As shown below, the residuals seem to somewhat fall along a straight line and thus partially meet the normality assumption.

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[41]: sm.qqplot(olsres.resid,line='s') plt.show()
```



1.4.11 Recommendations

model improvements

- 1. Since all the independent features are positively and linearly related (to varying degree) among themselves, while selecting features, we had the trade-off between improving model RSquare and keeping the multicollinearity low. The model with the best adj Rsquare score (~81% on training, ~83% on test) had all the independent features as inputs, however, it also had high VIF scores for those features. The selected model, on the other hand, had lower adj RSquare (~76% and ~81% on training and test), but lower VIF scores (<5). We used minmaxscaler in this casestudy before building the linear regression models. We can instead try using standardization to see if it can help lower VIF values even when we include all the features. If this works, we can get better adj R2 from our model.
- 2. We can consider using cross validation techniques like k-fold to get better estimate of model performance on unseen data.

3. Principal Component Analysis could be one potential option to take advantage of the the inherent multicollinearity among indepedent features to create new set of uncorrelated features which can then be used in linear regression.

business recommendations

- 1. Currently, the data available is for 500 students. Collecting data from more students will help build better model and make more precise predictions.
- 2. In addition to the common profile elements captured today, business can explore possibility of identifying target university specific focus areas/requirements and relevant user profile elements. For example, STEM universities may put more focus on GRE Maths score/Mathematics score in undergrad, on the other hand, literature/Social Science courses may prefer candidates having higher GRE English score. Capturing such details may allow building more sophisticated models with better predictions.

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