BA222 Problem Set 5

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This is a simple problem set that should take you no more than 1-2 hours.

Implement Lasso

- Load the CruiseData file. This contains information on cruises, with information about the company, the boat, and the crew size. We will be trying to predict the crew size.
- Store the crew as the Y variable.
- ullet Drop the crew size and ship name, and store all of the other variables as your X variable.
- Run pd.get_dummies to turn the categorical variables into dummies, and add a constant to this data frame.
- Run Lasso on your big set of possible X with the dummies and constant. Use $\alpha=0.7$. Look at your model results.
- Run a regular OLS regression on the variables that the lasso model picks.
- For comparison, run an OLS regression on the big data frame with all of the dummies and variables.

Please answer the following questions in a short writeup. Turn this writeup in as a PDF. You do not need to submit your code.

- 1. How many variables does Lasso pick, and which ones?
- 2. What is the fitted equation of the OLS model with those variables?
- 3. What is the R^2 of the OLS model with those variables? How does that compare to the OLS model with all of the variables and dummies?
- 4. Include a screenshot of your OLS model using the variables picked by Lasso.