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Project 1

Linear Regression and Terrain Data

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Abstract

The aim of this project has been to study linear regression models by comparing the performance of Ordinary Least Squares (OLS), Ridge-, and Lasso Regression when applied to terrain data from Møsvatn Austfjell in Norway. These models are implemented in python, making use of libraries such as Numpy, MatPlotLib and Scikit-Learn. Initially, 4/5s of the data was used as a training set while the remaining 1/5 was used as a test set for validation. The terrain data was scaled using scikit-learn's StandardScaler. OLS performed best, with a mean squared error of 0.4 for a polynomial of degree 4. This performance was further improved by implementing splitting using k-folds.

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1 Introduction

When searching for the best way to model a data set, some assumptions must be made. Central to linear regression methods is the assumption that there exists some continuous function f(x) that describes the data (and that we can somehow find an approximation of this function [1, p. 28]. This project compares three linear regression methods: Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) - the simplest - and then Ridge- and Lasso Regression, which both introduce a shortening term λ .

Chpt. 2 outlines the mathematical theory behind these methods, while chpt. 3 goes through the implementation details. Chpt. 4 contains the results from the linear regression analyses done on terrain data from Møsvatn Austfjell, Norway. Chpt. 5 contains a critical discussion of these results.

Calculations of mean squared error (MSE) were first done for an identity matrix with $\lambda = 0$ (for Ridge and Lasso), which results in a perfect fit. This was done to ensure the functions return the expected results. Then, all functions were tested for a surface obtained using Franke's function (eq. 2.2).

All code for this project is written in python, and can be seen in the appendices: Appendix A contains the code used for writing and testing the functions used in the analysis, and appendix B contains changes made for the terrain data analysis. All code can also be found in my github-repo: hellegje/fys-stk4155/Project1.

The following libraries were used:

- Numpy [2] for array handling and certain mathematical functions,
- Matplotlib [3] for plots and visualisation,
- SciKitLearn [4] for regression functions,
- ImageIo [5] for reading image data

Finally, a note on scaling and data handling: No scaling was added for the Franke's function data when testing, as this set was already fairly uniform. The MSE and R2-scores seemed reasonable without any further scaling or pre-processing of the data. The terrain data, on the other hand, has greater height variations which make interpretations of MSE-scores more difficult without first scaling the data. The calculations for higher order polynomials unfortunately required more computational power than was accessible, so in order to obtain results the terrain data had to be simplified somewhat. This limits the analysis, but the results still give insight into the behaviours of the different regression methods.

2 Linear Regression

2.1 Error Functions

As seen in eq. 1 (where \mathbf{y} are the actual values, $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$ are the predicted values, and n are the number of data points), MSE goes to zero for a perfect fit.

$$MSE(\mathbf{y}, \tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (y_i - \tilde{y}_i)^2$$
(1)

The R2-sore seen in 2 (where \overline{y} is the mean) weights the difference between real and predicted value by the distance from the mean. Here, a perfect fit will result in an R2-score equal to 1.

$$R^{2}(\mathbf{y}, \tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (y_{i} - \tilde{y}_{i})^{2}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (y_{i} - \overline{y}_{i})^{2}}$$
(2)

In this project, both these errors are used to evaluate the model's performance.

2.2 The Franke Function

Franke's function seen in eq. 3 creates surface data and is often used for testing regression models [6].

$$f(x,y) = \frac{3}{4} \exp\left(-\frac{(9x-2)^2}{4} - \frac{(9y-2)^2}{4}\right) + \frac{3}{4} \exp\left(-\frac{(9x+1)^2}{49} - \frac{(9y+1)}{10}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \exp\left(-\frac{(9x-7)^2}{4} - \frac{(9y-3)^2}{4}\right) - \frac{1}{5} \exp\left(-(9x-4)^2 - (9y-7)^2\right)$$
(3)

2.3 Ordinary Least Squares

Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) is a simple and often-used method for making predictions in linear regression. The approach seeks to find the coefficients β which minimises the residual sum of squares [1, p. 12].

In linear regression methods, we assume there exists a continuous function f(x) which may describe the data:

$$\mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{x}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \tag{4}$$

where $\varepsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$, i.e. ε is normally distributed noise with mean 0 and variance σ^2 . In addition,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} \tag{5}$$

where the function f is approximated by model $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$, \mathbf{X} is the feature matrix and $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ are the model parameters. The expectation value of \mathbf{y} for element i can be written as:

$$\mathbb{E}(y_i) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}_{i,*}\boldsymbol{\beta}) + \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i)$$

$$= \mathbf{X}_{i,*}\boldsymbol{\beta}.$$
(6)

The variance can be expressed as:

$$Var(y_i) = \mathbb{E}\{[y_i - \mathbb{E}(y_i)]^2\} = \mathbb{E}(y_i^2) - [\mathbb{E}(y_i)]^2$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_i)^2] - (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta})^2$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta})^2 + 2\varepsilon_i\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_i^2] - (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta})^2$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta})^2 + 2\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i)\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i^2) - (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{i},*}\boldsymbol{\beta})^2$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i^2) = Var(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$$

$$(7)$$

Equations 6 and 7 show that y follows a normal distribution with mean value $X\beta$ and variance σ^2 . From OLS the predicted outcome can be expressed as follows [1, p. 46, eq. 3.7]:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y}$$
(8)

where $\hat{\beta}$ are the optimal parameters.

Applying equations 6 and 8 gives us the following expression:

$$\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}) = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y})]$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{y})$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{\beta}$$
(9)

The variance for β can be derived as follows:

$$Var(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \mathbb{E}\{[\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbb{E}\boldsymbol{\beta}][\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]^T\}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\{[(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\beta}][(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\beta}]^T\}$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbb{E}\{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}^T\}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta}^T$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\{\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta}^T\mathbf{X}^T + \sigma^2\}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta}^T$$

$$= \boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta}^T + \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\beta}^T$$

$$= \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$
(10)

(Where not otherwise stated, equations are taken from the project description [7]).

2.4 Ridge Regression

Ridge Regression is a shrinkage method: A way of limiting the importance of certain features by introducing a shrinking term λ [1, p. 63, eq. 3.41]:

$$\hat{\beta}^{ridge} = \underset{\beta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \{ \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{N} (x_{ij}\beta_j)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j^2 \}$$
 (11)

Eq. 11 shows the Ridge equation for optimal coefficients β^{ridge} . $\lambda > 0$ controls the shrinking, penalising large coefficients [1, p. 61].

2.5 Lasso Regression

As in Ridge Regression, Lasso also penalises large coefficients by introducing the shrinking term λ , but here the coefficients are reduced faster.

$$\hat{\beta}^{lasso} = \underset{\beta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} (x_{ij}\beta_j)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} |\beta_j^2| \right\} [1, p. 68, eq. 3.52]$$
 (12)

2.6 Bias-variance Trade-off

Regression models must balance bias, error, and variance, or as Belkin et. al. put it: "[find] the 'sweet spot' between underfitting and overfitting" [8]. The point is to find a model that is complex enough to provide good predictions, without also adding in patterns from random noise in the training data.

From the cost function [7]

$$C(\mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (y_i - \tilde{y}_i)^2 = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{y} - \tilde{\mathbf{y}})^2]$$
(13)

with

$$Bias[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}] = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{y} - \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}])^2]$$
(14)

and

$$var[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}] = \mathbb{E}[(\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}])^2] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} (\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i - \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}])^2 + \sigma^2, \tag{15}$$

the sample value \mathbb{E} can be expressed in terms of variance and bias as follows [7]:

$$\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{y} - \tilde{\mathbf{y}})^{2}] = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} - \tilde{\mathbf{y}})^{2}]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} - \tilde{\mathbf{y}} + \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}] - \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}])^{2}]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}])^{2}] + Var[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}] + \sigma^{2}$$

$$= Bias[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}] + var[\tilde{\mathbf{y}}] + \sigma^{2}$$
(16)

as $var(\mathbf{y}) = var(\varepsilon) = \sigma^2$ and the mean value of ε is 0.

3 Development and Testing

3.1 Initial testing

All functions described in this section were first tested on a 2d dataset. MSE calculations were tested with $\lambda = 0$ and feature matrix set to identity matrix resulting in MSE = 0.

3.2 Ordinary Least Squares and the Franke Function

First test was to perform an OLS analysis on a data set using the Franke Function (see Appendix A for implementation details).

The Franke Function creates a surface as seen in fig. 1.

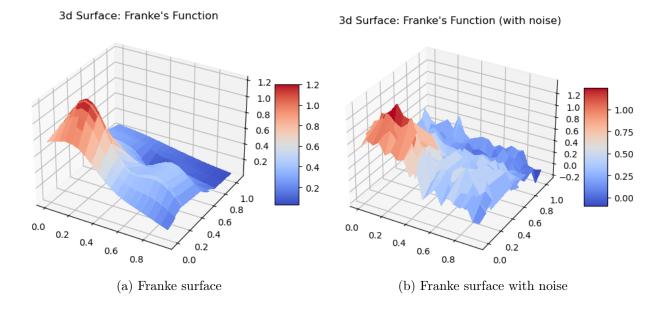


Figure 1: Plotted surfaces for a data set built using Franke's function.

This data set was then used when writing the code for OLS regression analysis (see A, listing 3). For this test the data was not scaled, as the values were low with no extreme outliers. When working with real data, however, scaling becomes necessary, as described in chpt. 5.1.

In order to better decide on an optimal model complexity, the data set was split into training and test data. 4/5th was used as a training set, while the last 1/5 was left as a test set. Fig. 2 shows MSE and R2-scores applied to both training and test sets. As seen in eqs. 1 and 2, for a perfect fit MSE and R2 scores will approach 0 and 1 respectively, and the above figures show the model generally improving for higher order polynomial fits. For the highest order polynomial however, we see a drop in precision. An increasing error can be a sign of over fitting, where the model reflects the training data so closely it fails when applied to new, unseen data (in this case the test set).

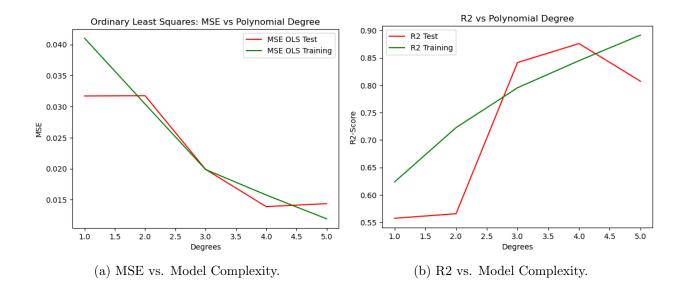


Figure 2: Errors vs. Model Complexity. Fig. a shows how MSE for test and training sets improve with increased complexity. For the very highest degree, however, the test error is overtaken by the training error. Fig. b similarly shows the training error improving for higher degrees of the polynomial, while the test error reaches a peak at the 4th order, and decreases for the highest value.

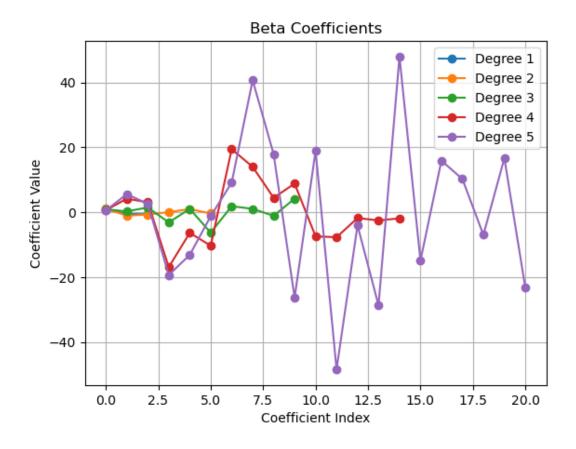


Figure 3: Beta Coefficients as they vary with model complexity.

Fig. 3 shows how the beta coefficients vary with increasing complexity. The larger order polynomials also show a greater variety in coefficient values.

3.3 Adding Ridge and Lasso Regression

In order to compare various regression methods, code for Ridge- and Lasso Regression (as seen in lst. 4) was added to the analysis. Fig. 4 shows how greater values for the dampening lambda term affects the error. Where the value gradually changes in a Ridge regression model, the figure shows a clear, sudden change for the Lasso regression model.

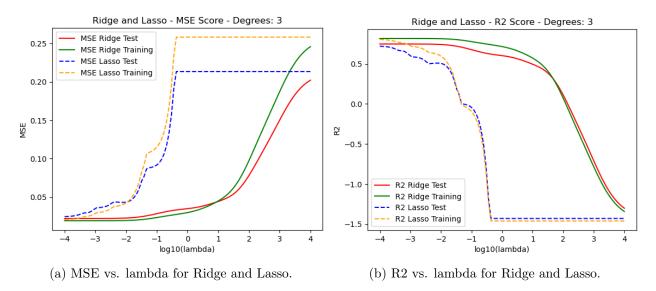


Figure 4: Errors vs. lambda. Fig. a shows how the error increases differently in Ridge (red and green) and Lasso Regression (blue and orange). Fig. b shows the R2-scores. Again with Ridge in red and green and Lasso in blue and orange. For both errors, Ridge changes gradually while Lasso has a sudden change.

3.4 OLS vs. Ridge vs. Lasso

Fig. 4 a shows a low MSE value for low values of lambda, and increasingly poor results as lambda increases. The same effect can be seen in the R2-scores. Both values start out similar to the errors from the OLS analysis. As seen by comparing eq. 11 to OLS, small values of λ approximate the behaviour of OLS, suggesting the OLS-model actually is the best fit to this data.

Fig. 5 shows how both the error and the variance increase above a 3rd order polynomial. The figure was created using the code as seen in lst. 5. We see bias decrease for higher complexity, as more patterns in the data set are captured by the fitted model. We also see that variance shoot up above the 3rd order polynomial. This suggests overfitting, and fits well with the errors from fig. 2.

3.5 Cross-validation

Cross-validation by k-fold involves splitting the data into k-subsets, where each subset constitutes an iteration. For each iteration, one subset is used as the test set while the others constitute the training data. This method is particularly useful if data is scarce, as it allows for all of the data to be used as a test set at some point, greatly increasing the data upon which we can perform the validation [1, p. 241].

Fig. 11 shows the different MSE-scores resulting from varying the number of k-folds. For OLS we see, as from bootstrap in fig. 5, the error increasing above the 3rd order polynomial. Lasso- and Ridge regressions were run for more values of lambda than in previous sections, and we see that both plots now show an initial drop in error before all k-folds stabilise around a similar value. The code used can be seen in lst. 6

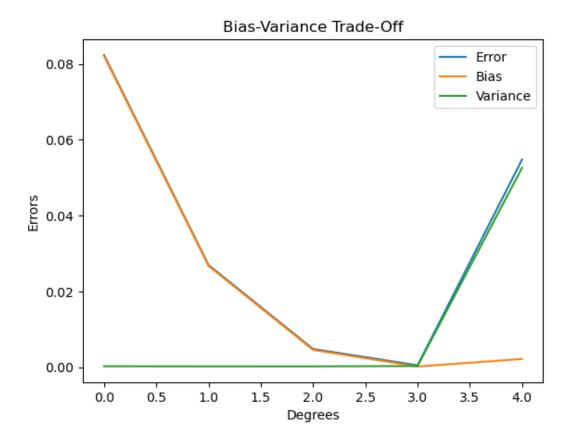


Figure 5: Error (MSE), variance and bias vs. model complexity.

3.6 Real data

The method used when analysing the real data is the same as the one described above. See section 4 for the results of these analyses.

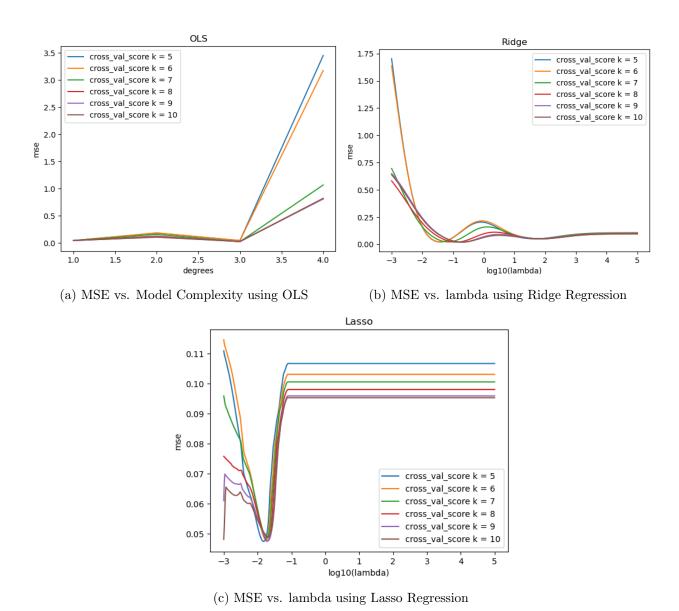


Figure 6: Comparison of MSE values for k-folds 5-10 using different regression models.

4 Results

The same code as described in appendix A was used when analysing the terrain data, with the alterations shown in appendix B, lst. 7. Due to limited computer power for the more costly analyses (mainly k-folds, but bootstrap also took it's toll), the terrain data had to be simplified somewhat more than I would have liked.

4.1 Ordinary Least Squares

Landscape Data (scaled)

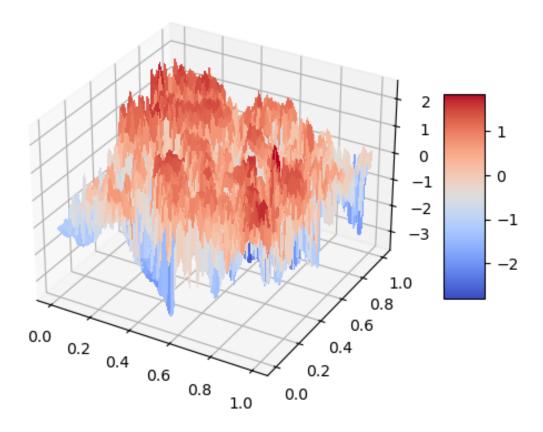


Figure 7: Surface plot of landscape data after scaling.

Using the same code as before (see chpt. 3.2) the landscape data was split into training and test sets, and MSE and beta-coefficients were plotted against the complexity of the polynomial, as seen in Fig. 8. Here, MSE and R2 show similar behaviour: MSE is almost 1 for the simplest polynomial, then improves to 0.8 for the 2nd order polynomial. The fit keeps improving for higher complexity, but only slightly.

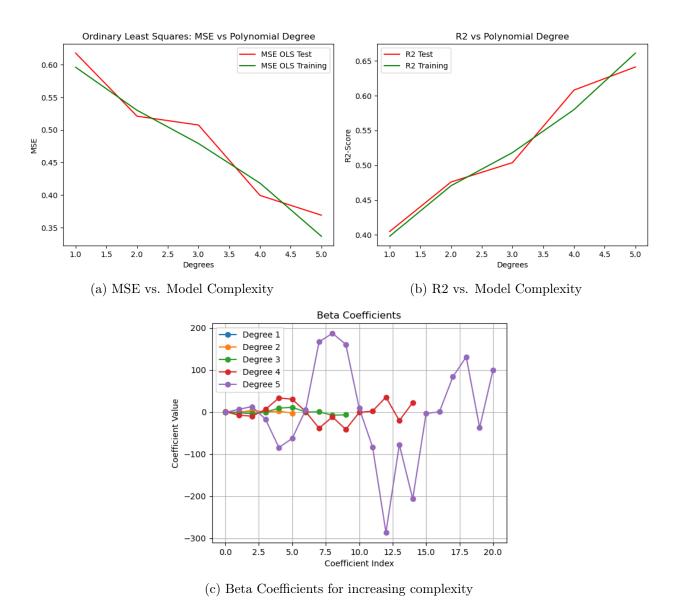


Figure 8: MSE and R2-scores plotted against model complexity. Figs. a and b show an improvement for higher order polynomials. The errors for test- and training sets follow each other. Fig. c shows the beta coefficients for the different polynomials. The values can be seen to vary more for higher degrees.

4.2 Ridge and Lasso Regression

The results from OLS fitting are shown in fig. 9 The error gets worse for higher lambdas. For Lasso, the fit gets suddenly worse as coefficients trend towards zero, while the change is more gradual for the Ridge fit.

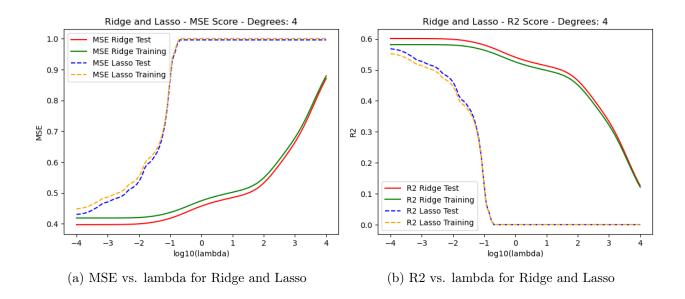


Figure 9: Errors vs. lambda. Test and training errors are similar. The Ridge values show a gradual worsening for higher lambda values, while the Lasso values drop more quickly. The errors are better for lower values of lambda.

4.3 Bias-variance trade-off

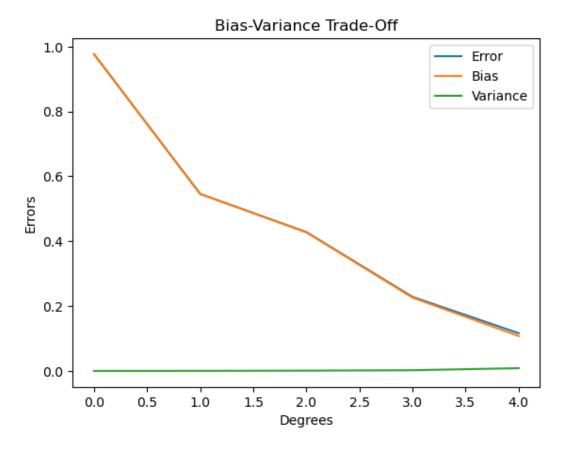


Figure 10: Error, bias and variance plotted against model complexity.

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Fig. 10 shows error, bias and variance plotted against the model complexity. Error and bias follow each other closely, while variance shows an extremely slow increase for higher complexity. There is a significant improvement in error from low complexity to high.

4.4 Cross-validation

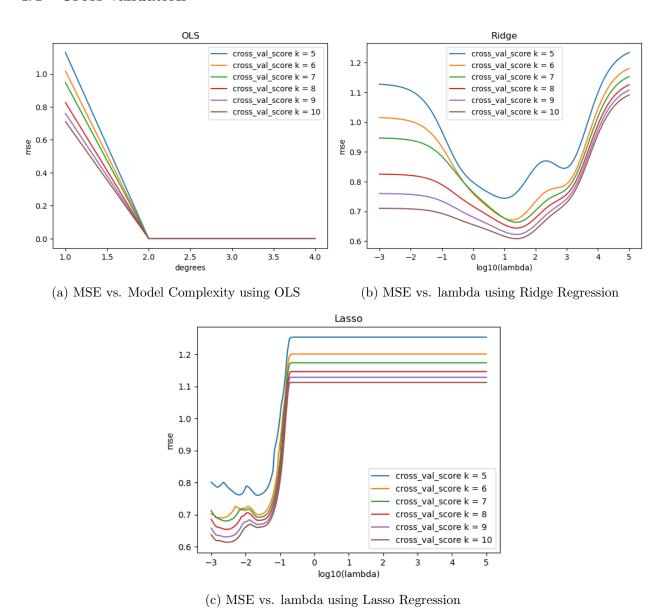


Figure 11: Comparison of MSE values for k-folds 5-10 using different regression models. Polynomial degree = 3.

Fig. 11 shows mse-scores for different k-folds at degree = 3. There is some spread between the initial error-scores. Ridge shows an initial improvement as λ increases, before performing worse as λ continues to increase. For Lasso, the error gets sharply worse before flattening out, as expected.

5 Discussion

5.1 Scaling

The scaling was added in order to get MSE values of a reasonable size. As seen from eq. 1, the MSE-score depends on the size of the parameters, so large parameters give large MSE even for errors that would normally be considered small when compared to the initial data value. For this reason, the StandardScaler from scikit-learn's preprosessing library [9] was used. This scaler ensures data values centred around zero, as seen in fig. 7. As seen in fig. 8, this ensured MSE-scores between 1 and 0, making it possible to interpret the values.

5.2 Ordinary Least Squares

Unlike what we saw for the Franke data, the errors keep improving for higher complexity for both test and training sets. R2-scores and MSE follow a similar trajectory, suggesting the weighting by mean values seen in eq. 2 had no real impact on the error trend. This suggests there were no large outliers in the data, which is as expected as the changes in a terrain surface should be smooth. This behaviour was also seen in the results from the Franke data.

The error keeps improving for higher complexity, and from these results it is not possible to tell if the test error is becoming worse than the training (at degree = 5), or if this is a random dip similar to the one seen around degree = 3. The graph of beta coefficients show small values for degrees up to 3, before showing a slightly larger variability for the 4th degree and much greater variability for the 5th. Although it could have been interesting to see the behaviour of errors for some larger complexity, based on these results it seems unlikely to keep improving much after the 5th degree without resulting in over fitting.

5.3 Ridge and Lasso

Due to the limited computing power, degree = 4 was chosen for comparing the Lasso and Ridge errors, rather than attempting multiple runs for different polynomial degrees. As expected from the theory discussed in chpt. 2, there is a sharp change in error for Lasso as certain coefficients drop suddenly to zero, while there is a more gradual change in the Ridge errors. Both models perform best for λ close to zero. As coefficients are shortened to a greater degree, the error becomes noticeably worse. Indeed, for higher values of λ the errors are worse than the initial errors were in OLS. This suggests that the features dropped were important to the model, and should be included. As both Ridge and Lasso mirror OLS behaviour for lower λ s, and this is where the errors are best, this suggests OLS best models the terrain data, as was also the case for the Franke test.

5.4 Bias-Variance Trade-Off

The results obtained by the bootstrap method provides an initially higher error for lower complexity, but keeps dropping for higher order polynomials, as seen in the previous results. Fig. 10 does not show an increase in bias and error as what was seen for the Franke test. Again, due to lack of computing power it was unfortunately difficult to run the model for higher order polynomials. But based on theory and the Franke test, it seems reasonable to assume that if the trend seen continues, a bottom point would be reached either at the 4th or 5th order, before error and variance increase.

5.5 K-folds Cross Validation Resampling

OLS shows a significant drop for all k-folds after the 2nd order polynomial. This error is better than what was seen in the initial splitting into one set of test data and one of training data. Lasso generally keeps performing worse for increasing λ s until the error flattens out. This behaviour is similar to what was seen in the simple split into test- and training data. Ridge on the other hand

shows an improvement for a certain lambda (unlike the results from the simple splitting), but the errors are worse than from OLS. This suggests OLS is still the method that best described the data, but does suggest that splitting and running the data set through more iterations is a better approach than the simple, initial test. Presumably, some features of the data were not evenly divided into the two sets, while the repeated k-folds iterations ensured a more even spread.

6 Conclusion

Ordinary Least Squares was the best method to describe the terrain data, seen by the fact that Ridge and Lasso behaved best for the smaller lambda values. The results from the bias-variance and k-folds validation re-samplings suggest that the initial split into test and training sets may have resulted in an uneven split between significant data points.

For a polynomial order = 4, OLS with the data split simply into a test- and training set provided an MSE = 0.4 and R2 = 0.6, which was improved by running repeated iterations using the k-folds method. While the python functions worked well for the Franke Function test set, it became costly to run them for the terrain data set. The bootstrap- and k-folds analyses were so costly that the number of degrees and the resolution had to be reduced in order for the analysis to run smoothly.

In future, more pre-processing of the data, as well as some parallelisation of the code, may help with this. With better computation powers, I would try re-running the initial MSE-plot for higher degrees than 5 to look for signs of over fitting, as well as re-run the bias-variance bootstrap analysis to look for the expected increase in variance for higher complexity.

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Appendices

A Testing using Franke's Function

Testing for a 2d surface was done using the Franke Function, implemented as shown in Listing 1.

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import numpy as np  \frac{1}{3} \text{ def frankes\_function}(x, y): \\ z = ((3/4)*np.\exp((-1/4)*(9*x-2)**2-(1/4)*(9*y-2)**2) \\ + ((3/4)*np.\exp((-1/49)*(9*x+1)**2-(1/10)*(9*y+1))) \\ + ((1/2)*np.\exp((-1/4)*(9*x-7)**2-(1/4)*(9*y-3)**2)) \\ - ((1/5)*np.\exp(-(9*x-4)**2-(9*y-7)**2)))  return z
```

Listing 1: Franke's function as implemented in the code.

```
1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 from matplotlib import cm
4 from random import random, seed
x = np.arange(0, 1, 0.05)
y = \text{np.arange}(0, 1, 0.05) + \text{np.random.normal}(0, 0.1, x.shape)
x, y = np. meshgrid(x, y)
z = frankes function(x, y)
z_{\text{noise}} = \text{frankes\_function}(x, y) + \text{np.random.normal}(0, 0.1, x.\text{shape})
12
13 #Plot (code taken from project description)
14 fig = plt.figure()
ax = fig.add subplot(projection='3d')
  surf = ax.plot surface(x, y, z, cmap=cm.coolwarm, linewidth=0, antialiased=False)
17
19 fig.colorbar(surf, shrink=0.5, aspect=5)
20
21 plt.title("3d Surface: Franke's Function")
22 plt.show()
fig = plt.figure()
ax = fig.add subplot(projection='3d')
  surf = ax.plot surface(x, y, z noise, cmap=cm.coolwarm, linewidth=0, antialiased=
      False)
28
29 fig.colorbar(surf, shrink=0.5, aspect=5)
30
31 plt.title("3d Surface: Franke's Function (with noise)")
32 plt.show()
```

Listing 2: Plotting a surface using Franke's function.

```
##Polynomials up to 5th order

def create_feature_matrix(x, y, degree):

# Stack x and y into a feature matrix

X = np.vstack((x.ravel(), y.ravel())).T

# Create polynomial features

poly = PolynomialFeatures(degree, include_bias=True)

poly_features = poly.fit_transform(X)

return poly_features
```

```
11
  def MSE(z data, z model):
12
       n = np.size(z\_model) # Number of data points
13
       return np.sum ((z_data - z_model)**2)/n
14
z = z_noise.ravel()
18 train MSEs = []
19 test MSEs = []
train_r2s = []
test_r2s = []
betas = []
23
degrees = range(1,6)
  for order in degrees:
26
       feature matrix = create feature matrix (x, y, order)
27
       X_train, X_test, z_train, z_test = train_test_split(feature_matrix, z, test_size
28
      =0.2)
29
      #Matrix inversion
30
       beta = np.linalg.pinv(X train.T.dot(X train)).dot(X train.T).dot(z train) #Pseudo
31
       inverse to handle singular matrices
       betas.append(beta)
33
34
       #Make the prediction
       z tilde = X_{train} @ beta
35
       z_predict = X_test @ beta
36
37
      #OLS
38
       training\_mse = MSE(z\_train, z\_tilde)
39
       test\_mse = MSE(z\_test, z\_predict)
40
41
42
       train MSEs.append(training mse)
43
       test MSEs.append(test mse)
44
45
       print(f"Degree: {order}")
       print(f"MSE (training): {training_mse}")
46
47
       print(f"MSE (test): {test mse}")
48
      #R2
49
       r2_training = error.r2_score(z_train, z_tilde)
50
       r2\_test = error.r2\_score(z\_test, z\_predict)
       print(f"r2 (training): {r2_training}")
       print(f"r2 (test): {r2 test}")
54
       print()
       train_r2s.append(r2_training)
56
       test_r2s.append(r2\_test)
57
58
59 #Plot the mse vs. degrees
60 plt.figure()
61 plt.title("Ordinary Least Squares: MSE vs Polynomial Degree")
plt.plot(degrees, test_MSEs, 'r', label = 'MSE OLS Test')
plt.plot(degrees, train_MSEs, 'g', label = 'MSE OLS Training')
64
65 plt.xlabel('Degrees')
66 plt.ylabel('MSE')
67 plt.legend()
68 plt.show()
70 #Plot R2 vs. degrees
71 plt.figure()
```

```
72 plt.title("R2 vs Polynomial Degree")
73 plt.plot(degrees, test_r2s, 'r', label = 'R2 Test')
74 plt.plot(degrees, train_r2s, 'g', label = 'R2 Training')
76 plt.xlabel('Degrees')
77 plt.ylabel('R2-Score')
78 plt.legend()
79 plt.show()
80
  for i in range(len(betas)):
81
      plt.plot(betas[i], marker='o', label=f'Degree {degrees[i]}')
82
83
84 # Adding plot details
85 plt.title('Beta Coefficients')
86 plt.xlabel('Coefficient Index')
87 plt.ylabel('Coefficient Value')
88 plt.legend()
89 plt.grid(True)
90 plt.show()
```

Listing 3: Calculating MSE and r2-scores for up to 5th order polynomials.

```
1 # Ridge and Lasso Regression using matrix inversion
2 def Beta ridge regression(X, z, lmb):
      I = np.identity(X.shape[1])
3
      return np. linalg.pinv(X.T. dot(X) + lmb*I) @ X.T. dot(z)
5
6
  def Calculate_y_ridge(X, beta):
      return X. dot (beta)
degree = 3
11 feature matrix = create feature matrix(x, y, degree)
12 X_train, X_test, z_train, z_test = train_test_split(feature_matrix, z, test_size=0.2)
13
_{14} training\_ridge\_mses = []
15 test_ridge_mses = []
training\_ridge\_r2s = []
test_ridge_r2s = []
18 betas ridge = []
19
20 training lasso mses = []
21 test lasso mses = []
22 training_lasso_r2s
123 \text{ test\_lasso\_r2s} = []
25 \text{ lambdas} = (0.0001, 0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1.0)
nlambdas = 100
lambdas = np.logspace(-4, 4, nlambdas)
  for i in range (nlambdas):
      lmb = lambdas [i]
29
30
      #Ridge
31
      beta hat ridge = Beta ridge regression(X train, z train, lmb)
33
       betas_ridge.append(beta_hat_ridge)
       z_tilde_ridge = Calculate_y_ridge(X_train, beta_hat_ridge)
34
35
       z_predict_ridge = Calculate_y_ridge(X_test, beta_hat_ridge)
36
       training\_ridge\_mses.append(error.mean\_squared\_error(z\_train, z\_tilde\_ridge))
37
       test_ridge_mses.append(error.mean_squared_error(z_test, z_predict_ridge))
38
39
       training ridge r2s.append(error.r2 score(z train, z tilde ridge))
40
       test ridge r2s.append(error.r2 score(z test, z predict ridge))
41
42
```

```
\# Lasso
43
      RegLasso = linear model.Lasso(lmb, fit intercept=False)
44
      RegLasso.fit(X_train, z_train)
45
      y tilde lasso = RegLasso.predict(X train)
46
      y predict lasso = RegLasso.predict(X test)
47
48
      training_lasso_mses.append(error.mean_squared_error(z_train, y_tilde_lasso))
49
      test lasso mses.append(error.mean squared error(z test, y predict lasso))
50
      training_lasso_r2s.append(error.r2_score(z_train, y_tilde_lasso))
      test_lasso_r2s.append(error.r2_score(z_test, y_predict_lasso))
54
55 # R2 Ridge/Lasso plots
56 plt.figure()
57 plt.title("Ridge and Lasso - R2 Score - Degrees: " + str(degree))
59 plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), test_ridge_r2s, 'r', label = 'R2 Ridge Test')
60 plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), training_ridge_r2s, 'g', label = 'R2 Ridge Training')
61
 plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), test\_lasso\_r2s, 'b--', label = 'R2 Lasso Test') \\
plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), training_lasso_r2s, '---', color='orange', label = 'R2
      Lasso Training')
64
65 plt.xlabel('log10(lambda)')
66 plt.ylabel('R2')
67 plt.legend()
68 plt.show()
70 # MSE Ridge/Lasso plots
71 plt.figure()
72 plt.title("Ridge and Lasso - MSE Score - Degrees: " + str(degree))
74 plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), test ridge mses, 'r', label = 'MSE Ridge Test')
75 plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), training_ridge_mses, 'g', label = 'MSE Ridge Training')
77 plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), test_lasso_mses, 'b--', label = 'MSE Lasso Test')
78 plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), training lasso mses, '—', color='orange', label = 'MSE
      Lasso Training')
79
80 plt.xlabel('log10(lambda)')
81 plt.ylabel('MSE')
82 plt.legend()
83 plt.show()
```

Listing 4: Calculating MSE and r2-scores using Ridge Regression.

```
1 #This code is mostly from lecture notes
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import numpy as np
4 from mpl toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
5 from matplotlib import cm
6 from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression, Ridge, Lasso
7 from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
8 from sklearn.model selection import KFold
9 from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
10 from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
11 from sklearn.pipeline import make_pipeline
12 from sklearn.utils import resample
13
14 n = 500
n bootstraps = 100
noise = 0.1
17 \text{ max degrees} = 5
```

```
19 errors = np.zeros(max_degrees)
20 biases = np.zeros(max degrees)
variances = np. zeros (max degrees)
22 polydegrees = np.zeros(max degrees)
    for degree in range (max degrees):
            feature matrix = create feature matrix(x, y, degree)
24
25
           z = z.ravel() # Flatten z into a 1D array for regression (from ChatGPT)
26
           X_train, X_test, z_train, z_test = train_test_split(feature_matrix, z, test_size
27
           =0.2)
28
           beta = np.linalg.pinv(X train.T.dot(X train)).dot(X train.T).dot(z train) #Pseudo
29
            inverse to handle singular matrices
30
           #Make the prediction
31
           z tilde = X train @ beta
           z_predict = X_test @ beta
33
34
           # Combine x transformation and model into one operation.
35
36
           # Not necessary, but convenient.
           model = make\_pipeline(PolynomialFeatures(degree=degree)), \ LinearRegression(left) = left =
37
           fit intercept=False))
38
           # The following (m x n bootstraps) matrix holds the column vectors z pred
39
           # for each bootstrap iteration.
40
           z pred = np.empty((z test.shape[0], n bootstraps)) # Adjust for 3D case
41
42
           # Perform bootstrapping
43
           for i in range (n bootstraps):
44
                  # Resample the training data
45
                  X_{resampled}, z_{resampled} = resample(X_{train}, z_{train})
46
                  model.fit(X resampled, z resampled)
47
                  \# Fit the model on resampled data and evaluate on the same test data
48
                   z pred[:, i] = model.fit(X resampled, z resampled).predict(X test).ravel()
49
             Prediction in 3D
50
           # Reshape z test to match the dimensions of z pred for broadcasting
           z test reshaped = z test.reshape(-1, 1) # Reshape to (80, 1)
53
           polydegrees [degree] = degree
54
           \# Error calculation (mean squared error across all bootstrap samples and test
           error = np.mean(np.mean((z_test_reshaped - z_pred)**2, axis=1, keepdims=True))
56
            errors [degree] = error
57
           # Bias^2 calculation (bias as the difference between true values and the mean
58
           prediction)
            bias = np.mean((z test reshaped - np.mean(z pred, axis=1, keepdims=True))**2)
            biases[degree] = bias
           # Variance calculation (variance of predictions across bootstrap samples)
           {\tt variance} \ = \ {\tt np.mean(np.var(z\_pred\,,\ axis\!=\!1,\!keepdims\!=\!True))}
62
           variances [degree] = variance
63
64
           # Note: Expectations and variances taken w.r.t. different training
65
           # data sets, hence the axis=1. Subsequent means are taken across the test data
66
           # set in order to obtain a total value, but before this we have error/bias/
67
           # calculated per data point in the test set.
68
           # Note 2: The use of keepdims=True is important in the calculation of bias as
69
           this
           # maintains the column vector form. Dropping this yields very unexpected results.
70
           \# \text{ error} = \text{np.mean}(\text{np.mean}((z_{\text{test}} - z_{\text{pred}}) **2, \text{ axis} = 1, \text{ keepdims} = \text{True}))
71
           \# bias = np.mean( (z_test - np.mean(z_pred, axis=1, keepdims=True))**2)
72
           # variance = np.mean( np.var(z_pred, axis=1, keepdims=True) )
```

```
print('Polynomial degree:', degree)
74
       print('Error:', error)
75
       print ('Bias^2:', bias)
76
       print( 'Dias 2. )
print( 'Var: ', variance)
print( 'Yar: ', variance)
print( 'Yar: ', variance)
print( 'Yar: ', variance)
77
78
79
80
  plt.plot(polydegrees, errors, label='Error')
plt.plot(polydegrees, biases, label='bias')
83 plt.plot(polydegrees, variances, label='Variance')
84 plt.legend()
85 plt.show()
```

Listing 5: Bias-Variance trade-off with error.

```
1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 import numpy as np
3 from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
4 from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
5 from sklearn.model selection import train test split
6 from sklearn.pipeline import make_pipeline
7 from sklearn.utils import resample
  from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
9 from sklearn.linear model import Lasso
10
11 #Make data
12 n = 500
x = np.arange(0, 1, 0.05)
y = \text{np.arange}(0, 1, 0.05) + \text{np.random.normal}(0, 0.1, x.shape)
16 \# x = np. linspace(-1, 3, n)
17 \# y = np. linspace(-1, 3, n)
19 x, y = np. meshgrid(x, y)
20 z = frankes\_function(x, y) \# np.random.normal(0, 0.1, x.shape)
22 # #Test plot
_{23} \ \# \ plot\_3d(x, y, z, "Franke's Function Test Plot")
24
25 #Real data
26 #TODO: Smooth switch
27 # # Load the terrain
                          - again from project description
28 # terrain = imread ('SRTM data Norway 2. tif')
_{30}~\#~N~=~1000
31 \# m = 5 \# polynomial order
32 \# terrain = terrain [:N,:N]
33 # # Creates mesh of image pixels
34 \# x = np. linspace(0,1, np. shape(terrain)[0])
y = \text{np.linspace}(0,1, \text{np.shape}(\text{terrain})[1])
36 \# x, y = np.meshgrid(x,y)
37
38 \# z = terrain
40 #From lecture notes
k_{folds} = range(5,11)
degrees = range(1,5)
43
ols_k_mses = []
_{45} \text{ ridge}_k\_\text{mses} = []
_{46} lasso\_k\_mses = []
47 i = 0
48 for k in k folds:
kfold = KFold(n splits = k)
```

```
50
       #OLS
       estimated mse ols = np.zeros(len(degrees))
53
       j = 0
       for degree in degrees:
54
           # Decide degree on polynomial to fit
56
           poly = PolynomialFeatures (degree = degree)
57
           X = create feature\_matrix(x, y, degree)
58
59
           z = z.ravel() # Flatten z into a 1D array for regression (from ChatGPT)
60
           X_{train}, X_{test}, z_{train}, z_{test} = train_{test} = split(X, z, test_size = 0.2)
61
62
           ols = LinearRegression()
63
           estimated mse folds = cross val score(ols, X, z[:, np.newaxis], scoring='
64
       neg mean squared error', cv=kfold)
           estimated_mse_ols[j] = np.mean(-estimated_mse_folds)
66
           j += 1
67
68
       ols k mses.append(estimated mse ols)
70
71
       #Ridge and Lasso
       # Decide which values of lambda to use
72
       nlambdas = 500
73
74
       lambdas = np.logspace(-3, 5, nlambdas)
75
       #From lecture notes:
       ## Cross-validation using cross_val_score from sklearn along with KFold
76
       estimated mse ridge = np. zeros (nlambdas)
77
       estimated_mse_lasso = np.zeros(nlambdas)
78
       j = 0
79
       for lmb in lambdas:
80
           ridge = Ridge(alpha = lmb)
81
           lasso = Lasso(alpha = lmb)
82
83
           # cross val score return an array containing the estimated negative mse for
84
       every fold.
           # we have to the the mean of every array in order to get an estimate of the
      mse of the model
           estimated mse folds = cross val score(ridge, X, z[:, np.newaxis], scoring='
86
       neg_mean_squared_error', cv=kfold)
           estimated\_mse\_ridge[j] = np.mean(-estimated\_mse\_folds)
87
88
           estimated mse folds = cross val score(lasso, X, z[:, np.newaxis], scoring='
89
       neg mean squared error', cv=kfold)
90
           estimated mse lasso [j] = np.mean(-estimated mse folds)
91
           j += 1
92
93
       i += 1
94
       ridge_k_mses.append(estimated_mse_ridge)
95
       lasso k mses.append(estimated mse lasso)
96
97
98
99 ## Plots
100 #OLS
plt.figure()
102 i = 0
103 for estimate in ols k mses:
       plt.plot(degrees, estimate, label = f"cross val score k = {k folds[i]}")
104
       i += 1
105
plt.xlabel('degrees')
plt.ylabel('mse')
```

```
plt.legend()
plt.title("OLS")
110
111 plt.show()
112
113 \#Ridge
plt.figure()
115 i = 0
for estimate in ridge_k_mses:
       plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas)\,,\ estimate\,,\ label=\ f"cross\_val\_score\ k=\{k\_folds[\,i\,]\}"
117
118
plt.xlabel('log10(lambda)')
plt.ylabel('mse')
plt.legend()
plt.title("Ridge")
124 plt.show()
125
_{126}~\# Lasso
plt.figure()
128 i = 0
129 for estimate in lasso k mses:
       plt.plot(np.log10(lambdas), \ estimate, \ label = f"cross\_val\_score \ k = \{k\_folds[i]\}"
130
       i += 1
131
plt.xlabel('log10(lambda)')
plt.ylabel('mse')
plt.legend()
plt.title("Lasso")
136
137 plt.show()
```

Listing 6: Calculating MSE by OLS, Ridge and Lasso using k-fold cross validation.

B Terrain data

```
terrain = imread('SRTM_data_Norway_2.tif')

N = 100
m = 5 # polynomial order
terrain = terrain[:N,:N]
# Creates mesh of image pixels
x = np.linspace(0,1, np.shape(terrain)[0])
y = np.linspace(0,1, np.shape(terrain)[1])
x, y = np.meshgrid(x,y)

z = terrain
```

Listing 7: New data set created for landscape values.