Module 5: Linear Model Selection and Regularization

Material primarily drawn from ISLR Chapter 6

Overview

- This module addresses how to identify the appropriate set of predictors to use in a model
- In general, our objectives are:
 - Improve prediction accuracy in situations with large numbers of predictors relative to the number of observations
 - Improve model interpretability by removing irrelevant features
- Note: these techniques are presented in the context of linear models, but they can be used with a wide range of model types

Overview

Linear Model Prediction Accuracy

- Provided the true relationship is approximately linear, the least squares estimates will have low bias
 - If $n \gg p$, then least squares estimates tend to have low variance
 - Rule of thumb is you need 10-20 times as many observations as predictors for reasonable performance
- If n is not much more than p, there can be a lot of variance resulting in overfitting and poor predictions
- How about if p > n?
 - Then, there is no longer a unique least squares coefficient so the variance is infinite

Overview

Three Approaches

- Subset selection
 - Identifying a subset of the \emph{p} predictors that we believe are best related to the response
- Shrinkage methods
 - Use all p predictors, but use techniques to shrink the estimated coefficients towards zero (also referred to as regularization)
- Dimension reduction
 - Project the p predictors into an M-dimensional subspace where M < p

Subset Selection

Subset Selection Approaches

- Best subset selection
- Stepwise selection
- Choosing the optimal model

Best Subset Selection

ullet Fit a separate regression model to all possible combinations of the p predictors

Best Subset Selection

Basic Procedure

- 1. Let \mathcal{M}_0 denote the <u>null model</u> which contains no predictors
 - Thus, the model simply predicts the sample mean for every observation
- 2. For k = 1, 2, ..., p:
 - Fit all $\binom{p}{k}$ possible models that contain exactly k predictors
 - Pick the best among these models (smallest training RSS or, equivalently, largest R^2) and call it \mathcal{M}_k .
- 3. Select a single best model from among \mathcal{M}_0 , \mathcal{M}_1 , ... \mathcal{M}_p
 - Several candidate techniques for making this selection

Credit Example

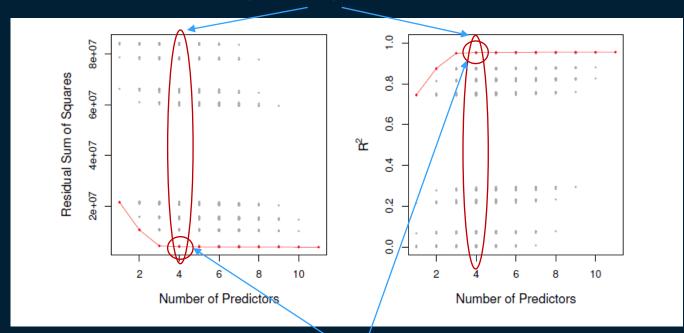
p = 11 (Region has 3 levels, so it becomes 2 predictors

4	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	1	J	K
1	Income	Limit	Rating	Cards	Age	Education	Own	Student	Married	Region	Balance
2	14.891	3606	283	2	34	11	No	No	Yes	South	333
3	106.025	6645	483	3	82	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	West	903
4	104.593	7075	514	4	71	11	No	No	No	West	580
5	148.924	9504	681	3	36	11	Yes	No	No	West	964
6	55.882	4897	357	2	68	16	No	No	Yes	South	331
7	80.18	8047	569	4	77	10	No	No	No	South	1151
8	20.996	3388	259	2	37	12	Yes	No	No	East	203
9	71.408	7114	512	2	87	9	No	No	No	West	872
10	15.125	3300	266	5	66	13	Yes	No	No	South	279
11	71.061	6819	491	3	41	19	Yes	Yes	Yes	East	1350
12	63.095	8117	589	4	30	14	No	No	Yes	South	1407
13	15.045	1311	138	3	64	16	No	No	No	South	0
14	80.616	5308	394	1	57	7	Yes	No	Yes	West	204
15	43.682	6922	511	1	49	9	No	No	Yes	South	1081
16	19.144	3291	269	2	75	13	Yes	No	No	East	148
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n = 400

Credit Example

All possible p=4 models



Stepwise Selection

• For computational reasons, best subset selection cannot be applied with very large p. Why not?

 2^p possible models

- Also, such a large model search space can lead to overfitting and high variance of the coefficient estimates
- For both of these reasons, stepwise methods, which limit the number of models evaluated, are generally employed

Forward Stepwise Selection

- Begins with a model containing no predictors and adds predictors to the model one at a time until all predictors are in the model
 - At each step, the variable that gives the greatest additional improvement to the fit is added

Forward Stepwise Selection

Basic Procedure

- 1. Let \mathcal{M}_0 denote the <u>null model</u> which contains no predictors
 - Thus, the model simply predicts the sample mean for every observation
- 2. For k = 1, 2, ..., p:
 - Consider all p-k models that augment the predictors in \mathcal{M}_k with one additional predictor
 - Pick the best among these models (smallest training RSS or, equivalently, largest R^2) and call it \mathcal{M}_{k+1} .
- 3. Select a single best model from among \mathcal{M}_0 , \mathcal{M}_1 , ... \mathcal{M}_p
 - Several candidate techniques for making this selection

Forward Stepwise Selection

Not Guaranteed to Find Best Possible Models

Credit data set example:

# Variables	Best subset	Forward stepwise
One	rating	rating
Two	rating, income	rating, income
Three	rating, income, student	rating, income, student
Four	cards, income	rating, income,
	student, limit	student, limit

Backward Stepwise Selection

- Begins with a model containing all p predictors and removes predictors from the model one at a time until all predictors are in the model
 - At each step, the variable that gives the least additional improvement to the fit is removed

Backward Stepwise Selection

Basic Procedure

- 1. Let \mathcal{M}_p denote the <u>full model</u> with contains all p predictors
- 2. For k = p, p 1, ..., 1:
 - Consider all k models that contain all but one of the predictors in \mathcal{M}_k , for a total of k-1 predictors
 - Pick the best among these models (smallest training RSS or, equivalently, largest R^2)and call it \mathcal{M}_{k-1}
- 3. Select a single best model from among \mathcal{M}_0 , \mathcal{M}_1 , ... \mathcal{M}_p
 - Several candidate techniques for making this selection

Choosing the Optimal Model

- Model containing all of the predictors will always have largest training R^2 and smallest RSS
- We wish to choose model with low test error, not model with low training error
- Therefore, RSS and \mathbb{R}^2 are not suitable for selecting the best model among a collection of models with different numbers of predictors

Choosing the Optimal Model

Two Approaches

 Indirectly estimate test error by making an adjustment to the training error to account for bias due to overfitting

– Mallow's \mathcal{C}_{p}

Statistical approach that measures information loss in fitted model. Objective is to minimize.

- AIC/BIC

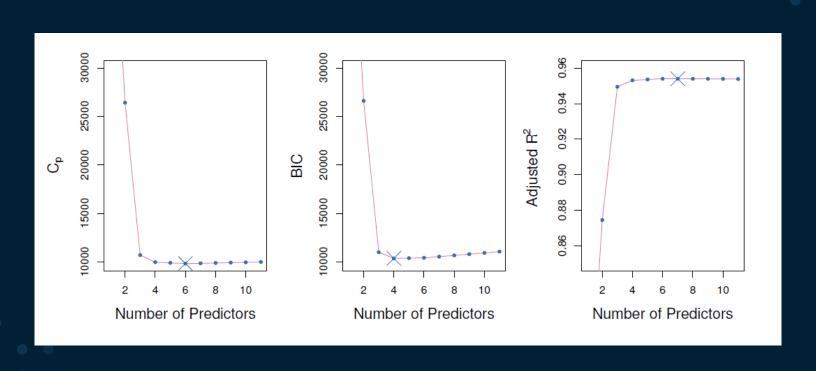
 $-\mathsf{Adjusted}\,R^2$ Computational approach

 Directly estimate test error using a validation set approach or crossvalidation

Why would we ever not want to directly estimate test error??

Choosing the Optimal Model

Credit Data Example - Indirect Approaches





where d is the total number of parameters used and $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is an estimate of the variance of the error ϵ associated with each response measurement (often difficult to estimate)

AIC/BIC

• AIC is defined for the large class of models fit by maximum likelihood: AIC = -2logL + 2d

where L is the maximized value of the likelihood function for the estimated model

Note: it can be shown for a linear model that $-2logL = \frac{RSS}{\widehat{\sigma}^2}$, so AIC and C_p are equivalent

AIC/BIC

Similar to AIC:

$$BIC = \frac{1}{n}(RSS + \log(n) d \hat{\sigma}^2)$$

Note: BICC replaces the $2d\hat{\sigma}^2$ term in the \mathcal{C}_p measure with $\log(n)\,d$

• Since $\log n>2$ for any n>7, the BIC statistic places a heavier penalty on models with many variables, generally resulting in smaller models than C_p

Adjusted R^2

Reminder:

 \mathbb{R}^2 is the proportion of the variation in Y that is explained by variation in $X_1, X_2, ..., X_p$

$$R^{2} = 1 - \frac{Residual Sum of Squares (RSS)}{Total Sum of Squares (TSS)} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_{i} - \hat{y}_{i})^{2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_{i} - \bar{y})^{2}}$$

Adjusted
$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS/(n-p-1)}{TSS/(n-1)}$$

"Penalty" term for larger numbers of predictors (p)

Adjusted R^2

Advantages:

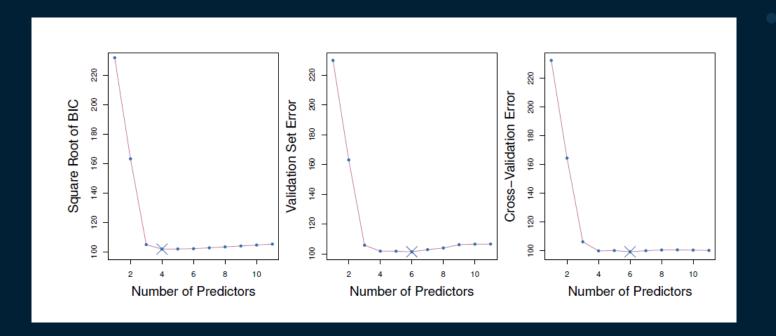
- Don't need to estimate $\hat{\sigma}^2$
- Works with models where p > n
- Easier to understand among non-statisticians

Direct Approach

Validation and Cross-Validation

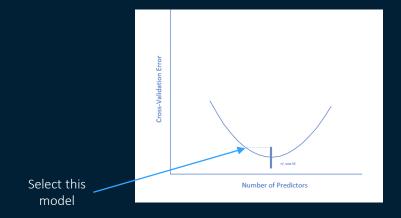
- Generally, the preferred approach if there is enough observations relative to the number of predictors
- ullet Doesn't require an estimate of the error variance $\widehat{\sigma}^2$
- Also, doesn't require the number of predictors (p) which is significant for model types where the number of predictors is not obvious
- See Module 4 PPT for details on this approach

Credit Data Example



"One Standard Error Rule"

- Calculate the standard error of the lowest point on the curve
 - Remember, for example that a 10-fold cross validation RSS score is the average of 10 estimates and we can find its standard error
- Select the smallest model for which the estimated test error is within one standard error of the lowest point on the curve:



Overview

- Subset selection methods involve using least squares to fit a linear model that contains a subset of the predictors
 - That is, they attempt to find models with a subset of the predictors that in some manner improve on the test RSS or, equivalently, MSE
- Shrinkage methods take a different approach
 - Objective is to reduce *model variance*

Background and Rationale

Two reasons for building regression models:

- Prediction
- Inference (understanding relationship between variables)

Measured by test MSE

Interpreted by assessing the β_j coefficients

Background and Rationale

- ullet eta_{j} coefficients are themselves random variables, and thus have
 - Expected values
 - Variances (how much do our coefficient estimates change when we take a different set of training data?)
- ullet Overall model accuracy is thus influenced by the variance in the eta_j coefficients

Background and Rationale

Causes of high β_i variance:

- Correlated predictors (multicollinearity)
- Large number of predictors (high dimensional data)

Shrinkage regression models attempt to reduce this variance by reducing the number of predictors

 The two most popular of these techniques are ridge regression and the lasso

Ridge Regression and the Lasso

Ridge Regression and LASSO

Background

 Modifications to the linear regression "loss function" (function we are trying to minimize when fitting the model) to automate the process of driving regression coefficients of high-VIF factors towards zero

Ridge Regression and LASSO

Loss Functions

Linear Regression

$$Min SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

Ridge Regression

Min SSE =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \left(\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j^2\right)$$

LASSO Regression

Min SSE =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \left[\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} |\beta_j|\right]$$

These terms prevent large regression coefficients

Ridge Regression and LASSO

Mathematical Background: Vector Norms

Norm of a vector a measure of the length of a vector

Vector
$$\underline{b}' = [b_1, ..., b_m]$$

$$\ell_2$$
 norm

$$||b||_2 = \sqrt{b_1^2 + \dots + b_m^2}$$

$$\ell_1$$
 norm

$$||b||_1 = |b_1| + \cdots + |b_m|$$

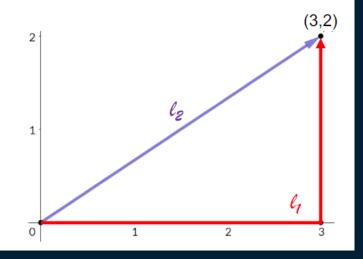
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$$||b||_2 = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2}$$

$$||b||_1 = |3| + |2|$$



Loss Functions

Linear Regression

$$Min SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

Ridge Regression

$$Min SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \left(\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j^2\right)$$
"L2 Regularization"

LASSO Regression

$$Min SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \left[\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} |\beta_j|\right] \qquad \text{``L1}_{Regularization''}$$

Loss Functions

- Last term is called shrinkage penalty
- λ is the tuning parameter (or regularization parameter)
 - If $\lambda = 0$, we get a linear regression model
- The value of λ is selected by cross validation
- Important point: predictors must be standardized before applying Ridge Regression or LASSO
 - Why?

$$ilde{x}_{ij} = rac{x_{ij}}{\sqrt{rac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} - ar{x}_j)^2}}$$
 Standardized by its standard deviation

Background: Scaling

There are two basic types of scaling:

- Normalization
 - Values shifted and re-scaled so they range between 0 and 1 ("min-max scaling)

$$X' = \frac{X - X_{min}}{X_{max} - X_{min}}$$

- Standardization
 - Values are centered around a mean (typically, 0) with a unit standard deviation
 - "Number of standard deviations from the mean:

$$X' = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

Background on "Standardizing"

- There are two basic components to standardization:
 - Mean removal (setting the mean = 0)
 - Variance scaling (scaling the variable to represent the number of standard deviations from the man)
- The recently updated Scikit scaling parameter for ridge regression and Lasso has been changed from "normalize" to "StandardScalar" which has options for both of these operations:

sklearn.preprocessing.StandardScaler class sklearn.preprocessing.StandardScaler(*, copy=True, with_mean=True, with_std=True) 1 [source] with_mean: bool, default=True If True, center the data before scaling. This does not work (and will raise an exception) when attempted on sparse matrices, because centering them entails building a dense matrix which in common use cases is likely to be too large to fit in memory. with_std: bool, default=True If True, scale the data to unit variance (or equivalently, unit standard deviation).

 We note that the formula for standardization is given here (and in our text) as:

$$\tilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_{ij} - \bar{x}_{j})^{2}}}$$

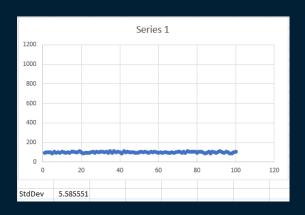
- This scales the predictor to be the "number of standard deviations from 0"
- A legitimate question is whether it is better to standardize the predictor to be the "number of standard deviations from its mean":

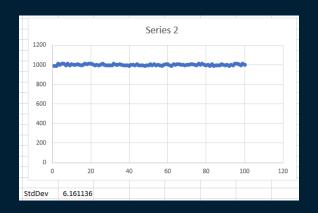
$$\tilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)^2}}$$

Back to Ridge Regression

- Back to the question ... for Ridge Regression, should we scale the variance and subtract the mean or just scale the variance?
- We need to think about what we are trying to try to accomplish:
 - Ensuring that the Ridge Regression loss function is "fair" the predictors that are "shrunk" to zero or near-zero are not just driven there because of their scale being low (and, thus, their coefficients being larger)
 - Given this, it seems obvious that we want to standardize by the variance AND subtract the mean ...

Back to Ridge Regression



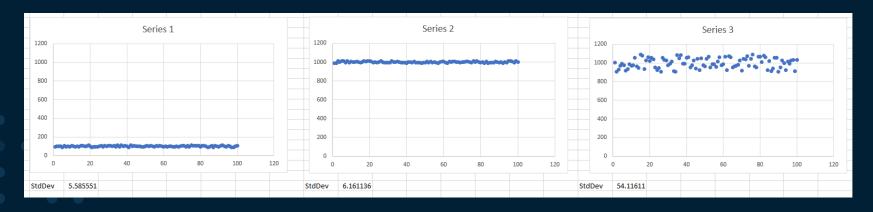


Two series with the same variance standardization, but different means

• If we don't subtract out the means, we will end up with Series 2 predictors having ten times the "weight" in the loss function as Series 1 (and, thus, much more likely to be "shrunk" out of the model

Back to Ridge Regression

- However, ... if we standardize all the means to zero, we lose a lot of interpretability of the coefficients
 - What does it mean for a coefficient to be positive or negative??
- Also, back to our example, if one predictor is scaled 10X a second predictor, would its standard deviation not also likely be scaled?



Back to Ridge Regression

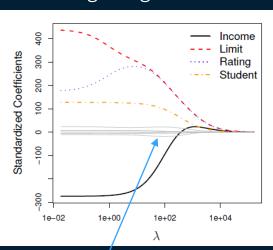
• So, what do we do, subtract out the mean or not?

$$\widetilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)^2}}$$

$$\tilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_{ij} - \bar{x}_{j})^{2}}} \qquad \tilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij} - \bar{x}_{j}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_{ij} - \bar{x}_{j})^{2}}}$$

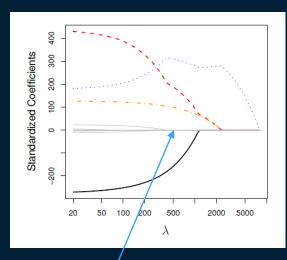
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Ridge Regression



Higher λ values drive many coefficients "towards 0"

LASSO



Higher λ values drive many coefficients to 0

Why Does LASSO Drive Coefficients to Zero and Not Ridge Regression?

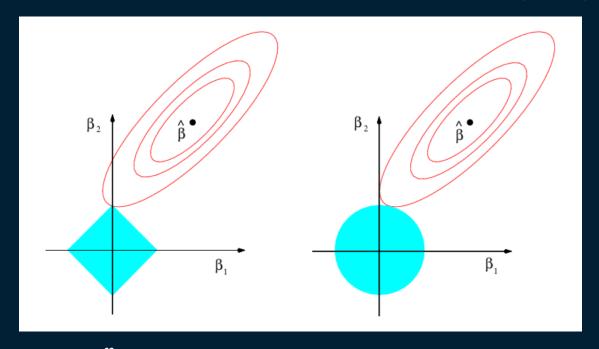
It can be shown that the ridge regression and lasso solve the problems:

$$minimize\{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2\}$$
 subject to $\sum_{j=1}^p {\beta_j}^2 < s$

$$minimize\{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2\}$$
 subject to $\sum_{j=1}^p |\beta_j| < s$

Where s is a function of λ

Why Does LASSO Drive Coefficients to Zero and Not Ridge Regression?



$$\sum_{i=1}^{p} |\beta_j| < s$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j^2 < s$$

Python Example

Hitters.csv Dataset

Response Variable

19 Predictors

		В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н		J	К		М	N	0	р	0	R		т
1	A AtBat	Hits	_		RBI	Walks	Years		CHits	CHmRun		CRBI	CWalks	League	Division	PutOuts	Q		Salary	NewLeague
2	293	66							66	1					E	446			<u> </u>	A
3	315	81							835	69					W	632				
4	479	130							457	63					W	880				
5	496	141					_		1575	225					E	200				
6	321	87							101	12					E	805				
7	594	169							1133	19					W	282				
8	185	37							42	1					E	76				
9	298	73							108	0					W	121				
10	323	81	6	26			2	341	86	6			8	N	W	143		19		
11	401	92	17	49	66	65	13	5206	1332	253	784	890	866	Α	E	0	0	0	1100	A
12	574	159	21	107	75	59	10	4631	1300	90	702	504	488	Α	E	238	445	22	517.143	A
13	202	53	4	31	26	27	9	1876	467	15	192	186	161	N	W	304	45	11	512.5	N
14	418	113	13	48	61	47	4	1512	392	41	205	204	203	N	E	211	11	7	550	N
15	239	60	0	30	11	22	6	1941	510	4	309	103	207	Α	E	121	151	6	700	A
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17	183	39	3	20	15	11	3	201	42	3	20	16	11	Α	W	118	0	0	NA .	A
18	568	158	20	89	75	73	15	8068	2273	177	1045	993	732	N	W	105	290	10	775	N
19	190	46	2	24	8	15	5	479	102	5	65	23	39	Α	W	102	177	16	175	A
20	407	104	6	57	43	65	12	5233	1478	100	643	658	653	A	W	912	88	9	NA .	A
21	127	32	8	16	22	14	8	727	180	24	67	82	56	N	W	202	22	2	135	N
22	413	92	16	72	48	65	1	413	92	16	72	48	65	N	E	280	9	5	100	N
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25	472	116	16	60	62	74	6	1924	489	67	242	251	. 240	N	W	518	55	3	600	N
26	629	168		73	102	40			2464	164				Α	E	1067	157			
27	587	163	4	92	51	70	6	2695	747	17	442	198	317	Α	E	434	9	3		
28	324	73	4	32	18	22	7	1931	491	13	291	108	180	N	E	222		3		
29	474	129			56	40			604	61	246	327	166	N	W	732	83			N
30	550	152		92	37	81	5	2308	633	32	349	182	308	N	W	262				
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22	410	100			26	22	2	501	140	0	90	16	21	N	W	226	7	4	110	M

Approach

- ullet Fit 100 ridge regression models with $10^{-2} < \lambda < 10^{10}$ and plot the coefficients as a function of λ
- Use a traditional validation partition approach to find an optimal value of λ
- ullet Use a cross-validation approach to find an optimal value of λ

Set Up Dataframe for Modeling

Ridge Regression

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In [92]: import pandas as pd
    import numpy as np
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
    from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge, RidgeCV, Lasso, LassoCV
    from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
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Set Up Dataframe for Modeling

df = pd.read_csv('Hitters.csv') df																				
		AtBat	Hits	HmRun	Runs	RBI	Walks	Years	CAtBat	CHits	CHmRun	CRuns	CRBI	CWalks	League	Division	PutOuts	Assists	Errors	Salary
	0	293	66	1	30	29	14	1	293	66	1	30	29	14	Α	Е	446	33	20	NaN
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	2	479	130	18	66	72	76	3	1624	457	63	224	266	263	Α	W	880	82	14	480.00
	3	496	141	20	65	78	37	11	5628	1575	225	828	838	354	N	E	200	11	3	500.00
	4	321	87	10	39	42	30	2	396	101	12	48	46	33	N	E	805	40	4	91.50
	317	497	127	7	65	48	37	5	2703	806	32	379	311	138	N	E	325	9	3	700.00
	318	492	136	5	76	50	94	12	5511	1511	39	897	451	875	Α	E	313	381	20	875.00
	319	475	126	3	61	43	52	6	1700	433	7	217	93	146	Α	W	37	113	7	385.00
	320	573	144	9	85	60	78	8	3198	857	97	470	420	332	Α	E	1314	131	12	960.00
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	322 r	rows × 2	20 co	lumns																

Drop Records With NaN for Salary

In [4]: d0 = df.dropna()
d0

Out[4]:

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Handle Categorical Variables

```
In [156]: y = d0['Salary']
          x0 = d0.drop(['Salary'], axis=1)
          x0.dtypes
Out[156]: AtBat
                         int64
           Hits
                         int64
           HmRun
                         int64
           Runs
                         int64
           RBI
                         int64
          Walks
                         int64
          Years
                         int64
           CAtBat
                         int64
           CHits
                         int64
           CHmRun
                         int64
           CRuns
                         int64
           CRBI
                         int64
           CWalks
                         int64
                        object
          League
          Division
                        object
                         int64
          PutOuts
          Assists
                         int64
          Errors
                         int64
          NewLeague
                        object
          dtype: object
```

Handle Categorical Variables

```
In [158]: X = pd.get dummies(x0, columns = ['League', 'Division', 'NewLeague'], drop first=True)
Out[158]:
                                                      CHits CHmRun CRuns CRBI CWalks PutOuts Assists Errors League N Division W NewLeague N
              81
                                                        835
                                                                        321
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                                                                                     375
                                                                                             632
             130
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             141
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             169
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             136
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                                                                                     332
                                                                                            1314
            170
                                                       1457
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                                                                        775
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                                                                                                                                               0
           19 columns
```

Create an Array of 100 Lambda Values from 0.01 to 10^10

```
In [159]: lambdas = 10**np.linspace(10, -2, 100)
          lambdas
Out[159]: array([1.00000000e+10, 7.56463328e+09, 5.72236766e+09, 4.32876128e+09,
                 3.27454916e+09, 2.47707636e+09, 1.87381742e+09, 1.41747416e+09,
                 1.07226722e+09, 8.11130831e+08, 6.13590727e+08, 4.64158883e+08,
                 3.51119173e+08, 2.65608778e+08, 2.00923300e+08, 1.51991108e+08,
                 1.14975700e+08, 8.69749003e+07, 6.57933225e+07, 4.97702356e+07,
                 3.76493581e+07, 2.84803587e+07, 2.15443469e+07, 1.62975083e+07,
                 1.23284674e+07, 9.32603347e+06, 7.05480231e+06, 5.33669923e+06,
                 4.03701726e+06, 3.05385551e+06, 2.31012970e+06, 1.74752840e+06,
                 1.32194115e+06, 1.00000000e+06, 7.56463328e+05, 5.72236766e+05,
                 4.32876128e+05, 3.27454916e+05, 2.47707636e+05, 1.87381742e+05,
                 1.41747416e+05, 1.07226722e+05, 8.11130831e+04, 6.13590727e+04,
                 4.64158883e+04, 3.51119173e+04, 2.65608778e+04, 2.00923300e+04,
                 1.51991108e+04, 1.14975700e+04, 8.69749003e+03, 6.57933225e+03,
                 4.97702356e+03, 3.76493581e+03, 2.84803587e+03, 2.15443469e+03,
                 1.62975083e+03, 1.23284674e+03, 9.32603347e+02, 7.05480231e+02,
                 5.33669923e+02, 4.03701726e+02, 3.05385551e+02, 2.31012970e+02,
                 1.74752840e+02, 1.32194115e+02, 1.00000000e+02, 7.56463328e+01,
                 5.72236766e+01, 4.32876128e+01, 3.27454916e+01, 2.47707636e+01,
                 1.87381742e+01, 1.41747416e+01, 1.07226722e+01, 8.11130831e+00,
                 6.13590727e+00, 4.64158883e+00, 3.51119173e+00, 2.65608778e+00,
                 2.00923300e+00, 1.51991108e+00, 1.14975700e+00, 8.69749003e-01,
                 6.57933225e-01, 4.97702356e-01, 3.76493581e-01, 2.84803587e-01,
                 2.15443469e-01, 1.62975083e-01, 1.23284674e-01, 9.32603347e-02,
                 7.05480231e-02, 5.33669923e-02, 4.03701726e-02, 3.05385551e-02,
                 2.31012970e-02, 1.74752840e-02, 1.32194115e-02, 1.00000000e-02]
```

Use the Array of Lambdas to Fit 100 Models

```
Fit 100 ridge regression models, one for each alpha (normalizing all columns
In [79]: model = Ridge(normalize=True)
          coefs = []
In [80]: for 1 in lambdas:
              model.set params(alpha = 1) # SKLearn Ridge model uses alpha, not lambda
              model.fit(X, v)
              coefs.append(model.coef)
In [160]: coefs[0] # cofs is a list of 1D arrays (vectors)
Out[160]: array([ 1.20896017e-10, 4.38543910e-10, 1.76709456e-09, 7.41610833e-10,
                  7.83374132e-10, 9.21983126e-10, 3.77051181e-09, 1.03800944e-11,
                  3.82017112e-11, 2.88093612e-10, 7.66411600e-11, 7.90953571e-11,
                  8.36822421e-11, 4.84228507e-11, 7.90920206e-12, -3.68777713e-11,
                 -1.28820467e-09, -1.73394491e-08, -2.55917587e-10])
```

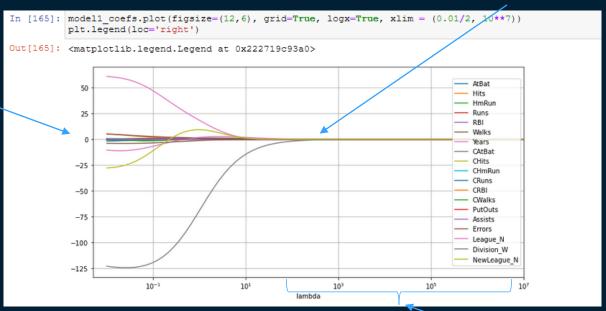
Create a Dataframe of the Model Coefficients for Each Lambda

```
Store coefs as the rows in a dataframe model1 coefs
             model1 coefs = pd.DataFrame(coefs)
             model1 coefs.columns = X.columns
             model1 coefs.index = lambdas
             model1 coefs.index.name = 'lambda'
             model1 coefs.round(3)
Out[164]:
                             AtBat Hits HmRun Runs RBI Walks Years CAtBat CHits CHmRun CRuns CRBI CWalks PutOuts Assists Errors League N Div
                     lambda
              10000000000.00
                               0.00 0.00
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               3274549162.88
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                             -1.03 3.75
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                                                                                                                                            -3.84
                             -1.19 4.22
                                                                             -0.02
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                             -1.33 4.69
                                                  0.25 0.31
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                                                                                                                                            -3.81
                                                                                                                                                       60.61
                             -1.58 5.55
                                            0.63 -0.28 0.06
                                                               5.17 -10.36
                                                                                                     0.69
                                                                                                           0.38
                                                                                                                   -0.59
                                                                                                                                                       61.13
             100 rows × 19 columns
```

Plot the Model Coefficients as a Function of Lambda

All coefficients shrink to zero as lambda increases. Why??

19 curves – one for each predictor



Evaluate Model With Lambda = 4

```
Lambda = 4
In [184]: X train, X test, y train, y_test = train_test_split(X,y, test_size = 0.5, random_state=1)
In [200]: model2a = Ridge(alpha = 4, normalize = True)
          model2a.fit(X train, y train)
          pred2a = model2a.predict(X test)
          mse2a = mean squared error(y test, pred2a)
          mse2a
Out[200]: 106216.52238005561
In [201]: np.sgrt(mse2a)
Out[201]: 325.9087/6388961317
```

sklearn uses "alpha" terminology, not lambda

Evaluate Model With Lambda = 1,000,000,000

```
Lambda = 10^9 (overshrinking case)

In [203]: model2b = Ridge (alpha = 10**9) normalize = True)
model2b.fit(X_train, y_train)
pred2b = model2b.predict(X_test)
mse2b = mean_squared_error(y_test, pred2b)
mse2b

Out[203]: 172862.234750706
```

Evaluate Model With Lambda = 0

```
Lambda = 0 (linear regression case)

In [204]: model2c = Ridge(alpha = 0, normalize = True)
model2c.fit(X_train, y_train)
pred2c = rr4.predict(X_test)
mse4 = mean_squared_error(y_test, pred4)
mse4

Out[204]: 116690.46856660102
```

MSE as a Function of Lambda

```
Mean squre prediction error varies with lambda
In [221]: model3 = Ridge(normalize = True)
           mses = []
           for 1 in lambdas:
               model3.set params(alpha = 1)
               model3.fit(X train, y train)
               mses.append(mean squared error(y test, model3.predict(X test)))
          model3.set params(alpha = 0)
          model3.fit(X_train, y_train)
           linear_regression_mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, model3.predict(X_test))
In [223]: model3_mpses = pd.DataFrame(mses, columns = ['MPSE'])
           model3 mpses.index = lambdas
           model3 mpses.index.name = "lambda"
          model3 mpses
Out[223]:
                             MPSE
                  lambda
            10000000000.00 172862.24
            7564633275.55 172862.24
             5722367659.35 172862.24
             4328761281.08 172862.24
             3274549162.88 172862.24
                     0.03 102144.43
                     0.02 102357.91
                     0.02 102591.66
                     0.01 102831.22
                     0.01 103069.74
           100 rows × 1 columns
```

Plot MSPE as a Function of Lambda

```
In [224]: model3_mpses.plot(figsize = (12,6), grid=True, logx=True, xlim = (0.01/2, 10**7)) # MPSE as function of lambda
           plt.axhline(y = linear_regression_mse, linestyle = '--', c='r', linewidth = 1)
          plt.annotate(round(mse4,0), xy = (0.01, 1.01*mse4), c = 'r')
          plt.ylabel("Test MPSE")
          plt.legend(("Ridge Regression", "Linear Regression"))
Out[224]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x222705ce0a0>
                        Ridge Regression
                     ---- Linear Regression
             160000
             150000
             130000
             120000
             110000
             100000
                               10-1
                                                                     103
                                                                                         105
                                                              lambda
                                                                 Best Lambda
```

Find Best Lambda Minimizing Test MSPE

```
Find best lambda minimizing test MPSE

: mses.index(min(mses))

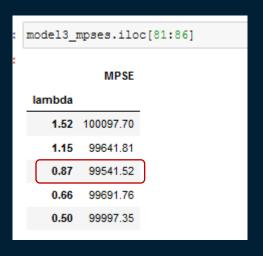
: 83

: lambdas[83]

: 0.8697490026177834

: model3_mpses.MPSE.iloc[83]

: 99541.51776483622
```



Use 10-Fold Cross Validation to Find Best Lambda

```
Ridge regression 10-fold cross validation to find best alpha (minimizing training MSE)

1: ridgecv = RidgeCV(alphas = lambdas, cv = 10, normalize = True, scoring = "neg_mean_squared_error")
ridgecv.fit(X_train, y_train)
ridgecv.alpha_  # best alpha (minimizing training MSE)

1: 0.6579332246575682
```

Use 10-Fold Cross Validation to Find Best Lambda

```
Test MSE of best alpha

yhatcv = ridgecv.predict(X_test)
best_mspe = mean_squared_error(y_test, yhatcv)
best_mspe

99691.75835893235

np.sqrt(best_mpse)

315.740017037645
```

Use 10-Fold CV With Training Data to Find Best Lambda

```
Coefficients of best RR model (when fitting training set)

model4 = Ridge(alpha = ridgecv.alpha_, normalize = True)
model4.fit(X_train, y_train)
model4_coefs = pd.DataFrame(model4.coef_, index = X.columns, columns = ['Ridge-Coeff'])
model4_coefs
```

	Ridge-Coeff
AtBat	0.01
Hits	0.82
HmRun	-0.04
Runs	0.74
RBI	1.28
Walks	2.01
Years	1.49
CAtBat	0.01
CHits	0.05
CHmRun	0.49
CRuns	0.10
CRBI	0.12
CWalks	0.10
PutOuts	0.27
Assists	-0.02
Errors	-0.22
League_N	17.71
Division_W	-88.02
NewLeague_N	10.26

Use 10-Fold CV With Full Dataset to Find Best Lambda

```
Coefficients of best RR model (when using full dataset)

: model4.fit(X, y)
model4_coefs = pd.DataFrame(model4.coef_, index = X.columns, columns = ['Ridge-Coeff'])
model4_coefs
```

	Ridge-Coeff
AtBat	0.07
Hits	0.89
HmRun	0.51
Runs	1.08
RBI	0.88
Walks	1.66
Years	1.15
CAtBat	0.01
CHits	0.06
CHmRun	0.41
CRuns	0.12
CRBI	0.12
CWalks	0.05
PutOuts	0.17
Assists	0.03
Errors	-1.46
League_N	23.19
Division_W	-81.94
NewLeague_N	8.87

A Note on Using Both Test/Training Partitions and CV

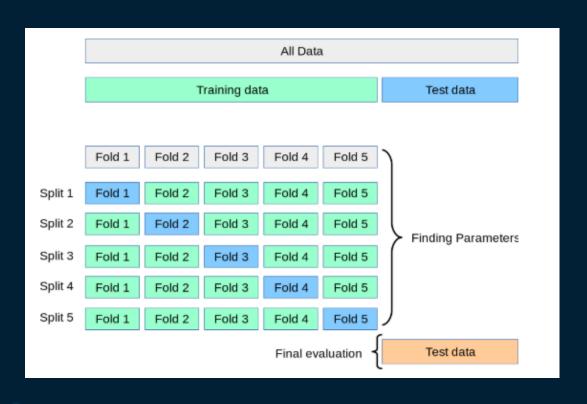
- Although CV techniques can be used as an alternative to a simple test/training partition approach, when used to fit the hyperparameters of a model (in this case, lambda), it is a best practice to use both.
- Recall that it is frequently useful to partition a dataset into three partitions:
 - Training partition used to fit the model
 - Validation partition used to select the best model
 - Test partition used to assess the performance of the final chosen model.
 USED ONLY ONCE at the end of the process for assessment only

A Note on Using Both Test/Training Partitions and CV

- It is particularly important to have the third test partition when you are using the validation data to make decisions among many different models
- When we are using cross-validation to select a hyperparameter (in this case, lambda), we are doing exactly that looking at many different models and comparing them
- Thus, it is a best practice to save a final "hold-out" set as depicted in the graphics on the next two pages

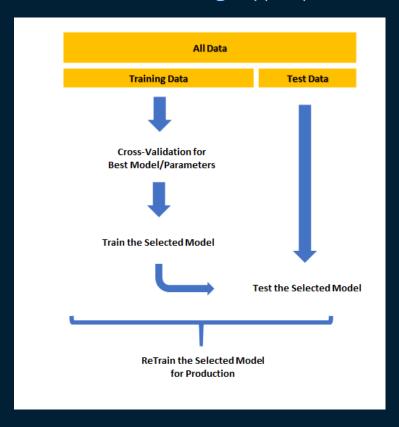
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Best Practice When Selecting Hyperparameters (Lambda)



A Note on Using Both Test/Training Partitions and CV

Best Practice When Selecting Hyperparameters (Lambda)



- As previously discussed, high dimensionality (large number of variables) that include redundant (correlated) inputs can degrade your analysis:
 - Destabilizes parameter estimates
 - Increases risk of overfitting
 - Confounds interpretation
 - Increases computation time
 - Increases scoring effort
 - Increases cost of data collection and augmention

Feature Engineering - Objectives

- Simplify models
- Shorter training times
- Improved generalization
- Greater ability to visualize feature space

Reducing Data Complexity

Introductory Example – brand_ratings.csv

- Consumer brand perception survey results on coffee brands
- Scores of 1 to 10 on questions such as "How trendy is brand a"?

	perform	leader	latest	fun	serious	bargain	value	trendy	rebuy	brand
0	2	4	8	8	2	9	7	4	6	а
1	1	1	4	7	1	1	1	2	2	а
2	2	3	5	9	2	9	5	1	6	а
3	1	6	10	8	3	4	5	2	1	а
4	1	1	5	8	1	9	9	1	1	а
995	2	2	3	6	4	8	5	1	2	j
996	3	2	6	7	1	3	3	2	1	j
997	1	1	10	10	1	6	5	5	2	j
998	1	1	7	5	1	1	2	5	1	j
999	7	4	7	8	4	1	2	5	1	j
1000 rows × 10 columns										

Survey Questions

Perceptual Adjective (Column Name	Survey Question
Perform	Brand has strong performance
Leader	Brand is a leader in the field
Latest	Brand is fun
Fun	Brand has the latest products
Serious	Brand is serious
Bargain	Brand products are a bargain
Value	Brand products are a good value
Trendy	Brand is trendy
Rebuy	I would buy from Brand again

Reducing Data Complexity

Brand Rating Example

1 brand_ratings.describe()

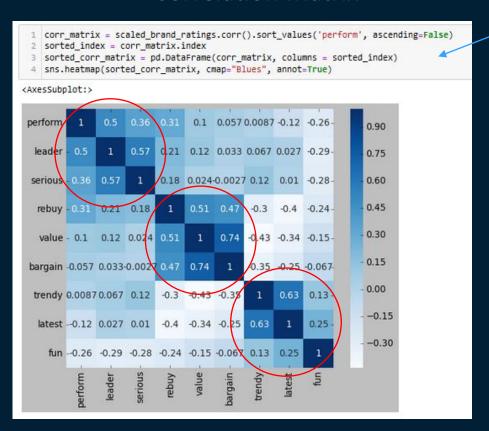
	perform	leader	latest	fun	serious	bargain	value	trendy	rebuy
count	1000.000000	1000.000000	1000.000000	1000.00000	1000.000000	1000.000000	1000.00000	1000.000000	1000.000000
mean	4.488000	4.417000	6.195000	6.06800	4.323000	4.259000	4.33700	5.220000	3.727000
std	3.203454	2.608432	3.078059	2.74425	2.778199	2.667027	2.39858	2.742101	2.544592
min	1.000000	1.000000	1.000000	1.00000	1.000000	1.000000	1.00000	1.000000	1.000000
25%	1.000000	2.000000	4.000000	4.00000	2.000000	2.000000	2.00000	3.000000	1.000000
50%	4.000000	4.000000	7.000000	6.00000	4.000000	4.000000	4.00000	5.000000	3.000000
75%	7.000000	6.000000	9.000000	8.00000	6.000000	6.000000	6.00000	7.000000	5.000000
	40.000000	40.000000	40.000000	40.00000	40.000000	40.000000	40.00000	40.000000	40.000000

Rescaling the Data

 Good practice to rescale the raw data by subtracting the mean and dividing by the standard deviation.

```
scaled_brand_ratings = scaler.fit_transform(brand_ratings.drop('brand',1))
    scaled_brand_ratings = pd.DataFrame(scaled_brand_ratings, columns = brand_ratings.drop('brand',1).columns)
    scaled_brand_ratings['brand'] = brand_ratings['brand']
    scaled_brand_ratings
       perform
                                                                                        rebuy brand
                                   0.339789 -1.196697 -1.222571 -1.391936 -1.174870
   4 -1.089370 -1.310638 -0.388426 0.704370 -1.196697 1.778524 1.945040 -1.539736 -1.072221
     -0.777050 -0.927074 -1.038511 -0.024791 -0.116321
                                                      1.403387 0.276552 -1.539736 -0.679034
     -1.089370 -1.310638
                                  -0.389372 -1.196697 -1.222571 -0.974814 -0.080271 -1.072221
     0.784546 -0.159946 0.261659 0.704370 -0.116321 -1.222571 -0.974814 -0.080271 -1.072221
1000 rows x 10 columns
```

Correlation Matrix



Order the variables by "similarity"

Aggregate Mean Ratings by Brand

1 scaled_brand_ratings.groupby('brand').mean()

	perform	leader	latest	fun	serious	bargain	value	trendy	rebuy
brand									
a	-0.886362	-0.528168	0.411179	0.656974	-0.919400	0.214203	0.184785	-0.525407	-0.596465
b	0.931336	1.071294	0.726470	-0.972701	1.183733	0.041640	0.151415	0.740679	0.237092
С	0.650249	1.163350	-0.102388	-0.845098	1.223346	-0.607347	-0.440898	0.025541	-0.132504
d	-0.680231	-0.593373	0.352671	0.186665	-0.692521	-0.881197	-0.933102	0.737030	-0.494236
e	-0.564673	0.192933	0.456685	0.296039	0.042135	0.551826	0.418373	0.138649	0.036566
f	-0.058716	0.269645	-1.262790	-0.218019	0.589525	0.874444	1.023200	-0.813652	1.357675
g	0.918843	-0.167617	-1.285543	-0.516975	-0.534066	0.896953	1.256789	-1.277032	1.361607
h	-0.014991	-0.298029	0.502191	0.715307	-0.141529	-0.738645	-0.782938	0.864733	-0.604328
i	0.334806	-0.321043	0.355922	0.412705	-0.148732	-0.254718	-0.803794	0.591083	-0.203278
j	-0.630260	-0.788991	-0.154395	0.285102	-0.602490	-0.097160	-0.073831	-0.481624	-0.962129

Aggregate Mean Ratings by Brand

```
brand_ratings = pd.DataFrame(scaled_brand_ratings.groupby('brand').mean(), columns = sorted_index)
    2 sns.heatmap(brand_ratings, annot=True)
: <AxesSubplot:vlabel='brand'>
         -0.89 -0.53 -0.92 -0.6 0.18 0.21 -0.53 0.41
                                                                  - 1.2
                           0.24 0.15 0.042 0.74 0.73
                                                      -0.97
                                                                  0.9
                           -0.13 -0.44 -0.61 0.026 -0.1 -0.85
                                                                  0.6
         -0.68 -0.59 -0.69 -0.49 -0.93 -0.88
                                                                  0.3
         -0.56 0.19 0.042 0.037 0.42 0.55
   0.059 0.27 0.59
                                                                  0.0
                                                                   -0.3
        -0.92 -0.17 -0.53
                                            -1.3 -1.3 -0.52
                                                                   -0.6
      - 0.015 -0.3 -0.14 -0.6 -0.78 -0.74
         0.33 -0.32 -0.15 -0.2 -0.8 -0.25
                                                                   -0.9
         -0.63 -0.79 -0.6 -0.96 -0.074-0.097 -0.48 -0.15 0.29
                                                        fu
```

Which brand attributes appear to be similar when viewed across brand averages?

Motivating Objective

Given that there appear to be three basic underlying attributes, how can we summarize and quantify these underlying attributes in a way that retains most of the important information but reduces the number of dimensions from nine to three?

Feature Engineering Techniques

Feature engineering (or feature extraction) creates new features (predictors) from the initial set of data. The objective is to encapsulate the central properties of a dataset and represent it in a low-dimensional space

- Principal Components Analysis (PCA)
- Singular Value Decomposition
- Exploratory Factor Analysis (EFA)
- Clustering

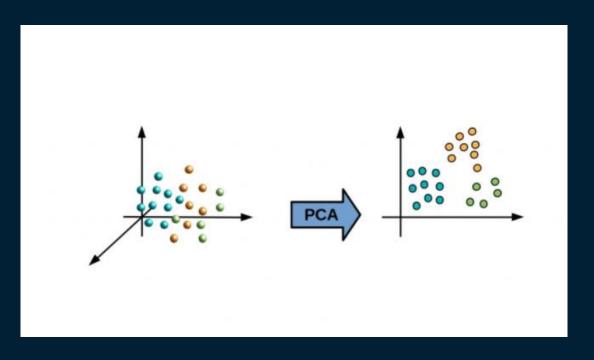
Introduction

- A classic statistical technique invented in 1901
- In data science, it is used to reduce the dimensionality (number or relevant attributes) of a dataset for visualization and modeling purposes
- Attempts to identify attributes that have significance covariance and use those relationships to reduced the number of dimensions in the data while minimizing the loss of information. For example:
 - In the CARS dataset, there is high covariance between length and weight
 - High covariance is expected between restaurant checks and tips

Objectives

- Combine multiple numeric predictor variables into a smaller set of variables which are a linear combination of or the original sets
 - Smaller set of variables are referred to as "principal components"
 - Objective is to select this smaller set so as to "explain" most of the variability in the full set
- ullet Basic idea is that each of the n observations lies in a p-dimensional space, but not all of these dimensions are equally interesting.
 - PCA attempts to find a lower-dimensional representation of the data that contains the maximum amount of "interesting" information

Basic Principle



Approach

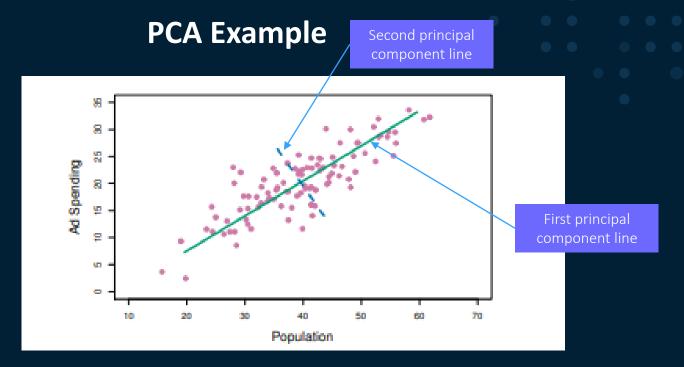
The first principal component (Z_1) of a set of attributes $X_1, X_2, ..., X_p$ is the normalized set of features

$$Z_1 = \phi_{11}X_1 + \phi_{21}X_2 + \dots + \phi_{p1}X_p$$

that has the largest variance

by normalized we mean that $\sum_{j=1}^p {\phi_{j1}}^2 = 1$

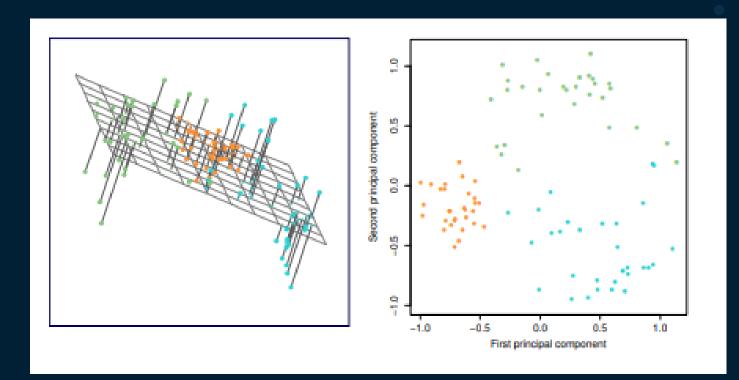
The elements $\phi_{11}, ..., \phi_{p1}$ are referred to as the *loadings* of the first principal component



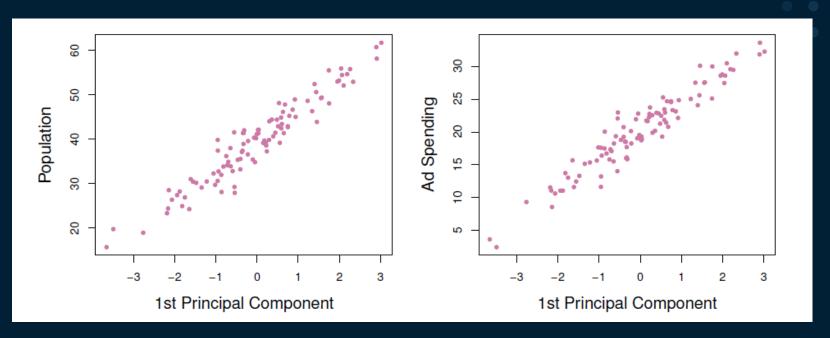
For the first principal component, we are looking for the line that minimizes the sum of the squared distances from the line to each point

The second and subsequent principal components are similarly defined with the additional constraint that it must be uncorrelated with the other previously defined principal components

PCA Example

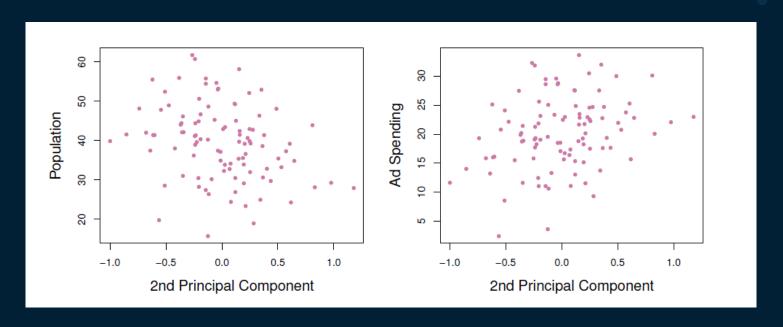


First Principal Component



First principal component is highly correlated with both population and ad spending, and thus summarizes these two predictors well

Second Principal Component



Very little relationship with the second principal component

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Common Data Problems

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