# **Description Questions**

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#### **Answer**

The Optimum value of alpha for Ridge and Lasso are 4 and 100 Respectively.

When we double the Alpha values for both Ridge and Lasso Model then,

- We can Observe that for both Models the R2 Score on Test and train decreased which is a sign of underfitting.
- We can also Observe that for both models the RSS and MSE value is Increased which is also a sign of underfitting.
- We can also Observe that the coefficients of the predictor's changed a lot.
- Especially In lasso Model, We can Clearly see that when we Increased the Alpha value, The no of variables which coefficients are equal to zero Increased from 142 to 163.
- So model excluded 21 variables when alpha becomes doubled (which is useful for feature selection).

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## **Question 2**

You have determined the optimal value of lambda for ridge and lasso regression during the assignment. Now, which one will you choose to apply and why?

### **Answer**

- I personally choose Lasso Regression Because the R2 Score are slightly high and also RSS and MSE are also less compared to Ridge.
- When it comes to Lambda (alpha) values I choose the First alpha values 4,100 for Ridge and lasso Respectively, Because when I choose the Doubled Alpha values the R2 Score on Test and train decreased and also RSS and MSE value is Increased.

## **Question 3**

After building the model, you realised that the five most important predictor variables in the lasso model are not available in the incoming data. You will now have to create another model excluding the five most important predictor variables. Which are the five most important predictor variables now?

#### **Answer**

1) Lets start with Ridge Model

- The top 5 important Features in ridge model are 'GrLivArea', '1stFlrSF', 'OverallQual', 'BsmtFinSF1', 'TotalBsmtSF'.
- Now Lets drop these features and we will build the model again .
- The new Top 5 features are 'TotRmsAbvGrd', 'Neighborhood\_StoneBr', '2ndFlrSF', 'FullBath', 'GarageArea'.
- We can Clearly Observe that the R2 score of the test data set decreased compared to old model.

## 2) For Lasso Model.

- The top 5 important Features in Lasso model are 'GrLivArea', 'OverallQual', 'BsmtFinSF1', 'TotalBsmtSF', 'Neighborhood\_StoneBr'.
- Now Lets drop these features and we will build the model again .
- The new Top 5 features are '1stFlrSF', '2ndFlrSF', 'YearBuilt', 'OverallCond', 'KitchenQual TA'.
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## **Question 4**

How can you make sure that a model is robust and generalisable? What are the implications of the same for the accuracy of the model and why?

### Answer

- 1. The model should be generalized so that the accuracy of the test Should not be much less than the training points so that the model will be giving similar accuracy For Other data sets too.
- 2. We should also take care that our model should not be affected by Outliers, And should not given more importance to the column containing outliers which leads to overfit, So we should delete Outliers before training the model.
- 3. The Model Should have high R^2 Score which makes sure that our model covered the most of the variance from the data. so that even any variation in the data should not effect the model much.
- 4. To make sure the model is robust and generalizable, we must be careful not to overfit it. This is because the overfit model has very high variability and a small change in the data greatly affects the model prediction. Such a model would identify all training data patterns, but fail to select patterns in unseen test data.
- 5. In other words, the model should not be too complex in order to be robust and generalizable and also Should not be too simple to underfit.
- 6. If we look at it from the perspectives of Accuracy, the most complex model will have the highest accuracy. Therefore, in order to make our model more robust and generalizable, we will need to reduce the variance that will lead to certain biases. Increased bias means that accuracy will decrease by a little bit. So we need to sacrifice some variance and accuracy for the bias.
- 7. In general, we should find a balance between model accuracy and complexity. This can be achieved with strategies such as Ridge Regression and Lasso.

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# Question 1

What is the optimal value of alpha for ridge and lasso regression? What will be the changes in the model if you choose double the value of alpha for both ridge and lasso? What will be the most important predictor variables after the change is implemented?

## **Answer**

alpha =200

The Optimum value of alpha for Ridge and Lasso are 4 and 100 Respectively.

```
In [68]:
          # Double the alpha for Ridge Regression from 4 to 8
         alpha = 8
         ridge2 = Ridge(alpha=alpha)
         ridge2.fit(X train, y train)
        Ridge(alpha=8)
Out[68]:
In [69]:
          # Lets calculate some metrics such as R2 score, RSS and RMSE
         y pred train = ridge2.predict(X train)
         y pred test = ridge2.predict(X test)
         metric1 = []
         r2 train lr = r2 score(y train, y pred train)
         print(r2 train lr)
         metric1.append(r2 train lr)
         r2_test_lr = r2_score(y_test, y_pred_test)
         print(r2 test lr)
         metric1.append(r2 test lr)
         rss1 lr = np.sum(np.square(y train - y pred train))
         print(rss1 lr)
         metric1.append(rss1 lr)
         rss2 lr = np.sum(np.square(y test - y pred test))
         print(rss2_lr)
         metric1.append(rss2 lr)
         mse train lr = mean squared error(y train, y pred train)
         print(mse train lr)
         metric1.append(mse train lr**0.5)
         mse_test_lr = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_test)
         print(mse test lr)
         metric1.append(mse test lr**0.5)
        0.9323807410178085
        0.9108652746085143
        239675756744.6213
        159584679728.3385
        315362837.82187015
        628286140.66275
In [70]:
          # Double the alpha for Ridge Regression from 100 to 200
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lasso2.fit(X train, y train)
        Lasso(alpha=200)
Out[70]:
In [71]:
         # Lets calculate some metrics such as R2 score, RSS and RMSE
         y pred train = lasso2.predict(X train)
         y pred test = lasso2.predict(X test)
         metric2 = []
         r2_train_lr = r2_score(y_train, y_pred_train)
         print(r2 train lr)
         metric2.append(r2_train_lr)
         r2_test_lr = r2_score(y_test, y_pred_test)
         print(r2 test lr)
         metric2.append(r2 test lr)
         rss1_lr = np.sum(np.square(y_train - y_pred_train))
         print(rss1 lr)
         metric2.append(rss1_lr)
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         print(rss2 lr)
         metric2.append(rss2_lr)
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         print(mse train lr)
         metric2.append(mse train lr**0.5)
         mse_test_lr = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_test)
         print(mse_test_lr)
         metric2.append(mse test lr**0.5)
        0.9264445633351519
        0.9139977986410903
        260716476499.26947
        153976283648.31073
        343047995.39377564
        606205841.1350816
In [72]:
         lr table = {'Metric': ['R2 Score (Train)', 'R2 Score (Test)', 'RSS (Train)', 'RSS (Test)',
                                 'MSE (Train)','MSE (Test)'],
         lr metric = pd.DataFrame(lr table ,columns = ['Metric'] )
         rg metric = pd.Series(metric1, name = 'Ridge Regression')
         ls metric = pd.Series(metric2, name = 'Lasso Regression')
         final metrics double = pd.concat([lr metric, rg metric, ls metric], axis = 1)
         final metrics double
Out[72]:
                 Metric Ridge Regression Lasso Regression
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9.264446e-01

9.139978e-01

9.323807e-01

9.108653e-01

2.396758e+11 2.607165e+11

lasso2 = Lasso(alpha=alpha)

**0** R2 Score (Train)

2

R2 Score (Test)

RSS (Train)

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3 RSS (Test) 1.595847e+11 1.539763e+11
4 MSE (Train) 1.775846e+04 1.852155e+04
5 MSE (Test) 2.506564e+04 2.462125e+04

In [73]: final_metrics
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| Out[73]: |   | Metric           | Linear Regression | Ridge Regression | Lasso Regression |
|----------|---|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
|          | 0 | R2 Score (Train) | 7.678590e-01      | 9.393533e-01     | 9.354791e-01     |
|          | 1 | R2 Score (Test)  | 7.644506e-01      | 9.206913e-01     | 9.246366e-01     |
|          | 2 | RSS (Train)      | 8.228213e+11      | 2.149616e+11     | 2.286937e+11     |
|          | 3 | RSS (Test)       | 4.217220e+11      | 1.419925e+11     | 1.349289e+11     |
|          | 4 | MSE (Train)      | 3.290379e+04      | 1.681797e+04     | 1.734684e+04     |

4.074706e+04

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MSE (Test)

Metric Ridge Regression Lasso Regression

• We can Observe that for both Models the R2 Score on Test and train decreased which is a sign of underfitting.

2.364372e+04

• We can also Observe that for both models the Rss and MSE value is Increased which is also a sign of underfitting.

2.304812e+04

```
In [74]: #Co-efficients
betas = pd.DataFrame(index=X_train.columns)
betas.rows = X_train.columns
betas['Ridge2'] = ridge2.coef_
betas['Ridge'] = ridge.coef_
betas['Lasso'] = lasso.coef_
betas['Lasso2'] = lasso2.coef_
pd.set_option('display.max_rows', None)
betas.head()
```

```
Ridge2
                                           Ridge
Out[74]:
                                                         Lasso
                                                                     Lasso2
           LotFrontage
                        4608.853003
                                     2167.708705
                                                      0.000000
                                                                    0.000000
              LotArea 17794.105988 20132.447889
                                                  20297.398604
                                                               18156.618705
           OverallQual 31365.160494 36910.250129 56703.719301
          OverallCond 15444.006039 20826.026772 26859.567311 17371.446959
             YearBuilt 8197.301170 12238.876361 27486.614408 16181.928846
```

• We can Observe that the coefficents of the predictor's changed a lot.

```
In [75]: betas['Lasso'].value_counts()[0] # count of Zero coeffecient variables with alpha 100

Out[75]:
In [76]: betas['Lasso2'].value counts()[0] # count of Zero coeffecient variables with alpha 200
```

- We can Clearly see that when we Increased the Alpha value, The no of variables which coeffecients are equal to zero Increased from 142 to 163.
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After building the model, you realised that the five most important predictor variables in the lasso model are not available in the incoming data. You will now have to create another model excluding the five most important predictor variables. Which are the five most important predictor variables now?

#### Answer

1) Lets start with Ridge Model

```
In [77]:
        ridge imp = pd.DataFrame()
         ridge imp["Feature"] = pd.Series(X.columns)
         ridge imp["imp"] = pd.Series(ridge.coef)
         ridge imp["abs imp"] = [abs(t) for t in ridge.coef ]
         ridge imp = ridge imp.sort values(by = "abs imp", ascending = False)
         print(ridge_imp.head(5))
         ridge imp fea = list(ridge imp.head(5)["Feature"])
         ridge imp fea
                Feature imp abs imp
            GrLivArea 46382.168251 46382.168251
        14
             1stFlrSF 41041.495734 41041.495734
        11
          OverallQual 36910.250129 36910.250129
            BsmtFinSF1 34173.286652 34173.286652
        10 TotalBsmtSF 30428.471570 30428.471570
        ['GrLivArea', '1stFlrSF', 'OverallQual', 'BsmtFinSF1', 'TotalBsmtSF']
Out[77]:
```

• The top 5 important Features in ridge model are 'GrLivArea', '1stFlrSF', 'OverallQual', 'BsmtFinSF1', 'TotalBsmtSF'.

```
0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0,
          4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500, 5000 ]}
         ridge = Ridge()
          # cross validation
         folds = 5
         model cv = GridSearchCV(estimator = ridge,
                                  param grid = params,
                                  scoring= 'neg_mean_absolute_error',
                                  cv = folds,
                                  return_train_score=True,
                                  verbose = 1)
         model cv.fit(X train1r, y train)
         Fitting 5 folds for each of 32 candidates, totalling 160 fits
         GridSearchCV(cv=5, estimator=Ridge(),
Out[79]:
                      param_grid={'alpha': [0.0001, 0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3,
                                            0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0,
                                            4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0, 20, 50,
                                            100, 500, 1000, 1500, 2000, ...]},
                      return train score=True, scoring='neg mean absolute error',
                      verbose=1)
In [80]:
         # Printing the best hyperparameter alpha
         print(model cv.best params )
         {'alpha': 3.0}
In [81]:
         #Fitting Ridge model for alpha = 3 and printing coefficients which have been penalised
         alpha = model cv.best params ['alpha']
         ridge1 = Ridge(alpha=alpha)
         ridge1.fit(X_train1r, y_train)
         #print(ridge1.coef )
        Ridge(alpha=3.0)
Out[81]:
In [82]:
         # Lets calculate some metrics such as R2 score, RSS and RMSE
         y pred train = ridge1.predict(X train1r)
         y pred test = ridge1.predict(X test1r)
         metric_r1 = []
         r2 train lr = r2 score(y train, y pred train)
         print(r2 train lr)
         metric r1.append(r2 train lr)
         r2 test lr = r2 score(y test, y pred test)
         print(r2 test lr)
         metric r1.append(r2 test lr)
         rss1 lr = np.sum(np.square(y train - y pred train))
         print(rss1 lr)
         metric r1.append(rss1 lr)
         rss2 lr = np.sum(np.square(y test - y pred test))
         print(rss2 lr)
         metric r1.append(rss2 lr)
         mse train lr = mean squared error(y train, y pred train)
         print(mse train lr)
         metric r1.append(mse train lr**0.5)
```

```
mse_test_lr = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_test)
         print(mse_test lr)
         metric_r1.append(mse_test_lr**0.5)
        0.9205224293210008
        0.8806680763698564
        281707418617.6762
        213649020965.08936
        370667656.07588977
        841137877.8153124
In [83]:
         lr table = {'Metric': ['R2 Score (Train)','R2 Score (Test)','RSS (Train)','RSS (Test)',
                                'MSE (Train)', 'MSE (Test)'],
                 }
         lr metric = pd.DataFrame(lr table ,columns = ['Metric'] )
         rg metric = pd.Series(metric1, name = 'Ridge Regression')
         rg metric1 = pd.Series(metric r1, name = 'Ridge Regression New')
         metrics r = pd.concat([lr metric, rg metric, rg metric1], axis = 1)
         metrics r
```

# Out[83]: Metric Ridge Regression Ridge Regression\_New

| 0 | R2 Score (Train) | 9.323807e-01 | 9.205224e-01 |
|---|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 | R2 Score (Test)  | 9.108653e-01 | 8.806681e-01 |
| 2 | RSS (Train)      | 2.396758e+11 | 2.817074e+11 |
| 3 | RSS (Test)       | 1.595847e+11 | 2.136490e+11 |
| 4 | MSE (Train)      | 1.775846e+04 | 1.925273e+04 |
| 5 | MSE (Test)       | 2.506564e+04 | 2.900238e+04 |

We can Clearly Observe that the R2 score of the test data set decreased compared to old model.

```
ridge_imp1 = pd.DataFrame()
ridge_imp1["Feature"] = pd.Series(X_train1r.columns)
ridge_imp1["imp"] = pd.Series(ridge1.coef_)
ridge_imp1["abs_imp"] = [abs(t) for t in ridge1.coef_]
ridge_imp1 = ridge_imp1.sort_values(by = "abs_imp",ascending = False)
print(ridge_imp.head(5))
ridge_imp_fea1 = list(ridge_imp1.head(5)["Feature"])
ridge_imp_fea1
```

The new Top 5 features are 'TotRmsAbvGrd', 'Neighborhood\_StoneBr', '2ndFlrSF', 'FullBath', 'GarageArea'.

2) For Lasso Model.

```
lasso_imp = pd.DataFrame()
In [85]:
         lasso imp["Feature"] = pd.Series(X.columns)
         lasso imp["imp"] = pd.Series(lasso.coef)
         lasso imp["abs imp"] = [abs(t) for t in lasso.coef ]
         lasso_imp = lasso_imp.sort_values(by = "abs_imp", ascending = False)
         print(lasso imp.head(5))
         lasso_imp_fea = list(lasso_imp.head(5)["Feature"])
         print(lasso imp fea)
                          Feature
                                             imp
                                                        abs imp
        14
                        GrLivArea 145195.619477 145195.619477
        2
                      OverallQual 56703.719301 56703.719301
        7
                      BsmtFinSF1 34361.687464 34361.687464
                      TotalBsmtSF 32520.386468 32520.386468
        10
        87 Neighborhood StoneBr 31971.621494 31971.621494
         ['GrLivArea', 'OverallQual', 'BsmtFinSF1', 'TotalBsmtSF', 'Neighborhood StoneBr']

    The top 5 important Features in Lasso model are 'GrLivArea', 'OverallQual', 'BsmtFinSF1', 'TotalBsmtSF',

            'Neighborhood StoneBr'.
In [86]:
         # lets drop them
         X train11 = X train.drop(columns=lasso imp fea)
         X test11= X test.drop(columns=lasso imp fea)
In [87]:
         lasso = Lasso()
         # cross validation
         model cv = GridSearchCV(estimator = lasso,
                                  param grid = params,
                                  scoring= 'neg mean absolute error',
                                  cv = folds,
                                  return train score=True,
                                  verbose = 1)
         model cv.fit(X train11, y train)
        Fitting 5 folds for each of 32 candidates, totalling 160 fits
        GridSearchCV(cv=5, estimator=Lasso(),
Out[87]:
                      param grid={'alpha': [0.0001, 0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3,
                                            0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0,
                                            4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0, 20, 50,
                                            100, 500, 1000, 1500, 2000, ...]},
                      return train score=True, scoring='neg mean absolute error',
                      verbose=1)
In [88]:
          # Printing the best hyperparameter alpha
         print(model cv.best params )
         {'alpha': 100}
In [89]:
         #Fitting Ridge model for alpha = 100 and printing coefficients which have been penalised
         alpha =model cv.best params ['alpha']
         lasso1 = Lasso(alpha=alpha)
         lasso1.fit(X_train11, y_train)
         #print(lasso1.coef )
        Lasso(alpha=100)
Out[89]:
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```
In [90]:
         # Lets calculate some metrics such as R2 score, RSS and RMSE
         y pred train = lasso1.predict(X train11)
         y pred test = lasso1.predict(X test11)
         metric 11 = []
         r2_train_lr = r2_score(y_train, y_pred_train)
         print(r2 train lr)
         metric_l1.append(r2_train_lr)
         r2_test_lr = r2_score(y_test, y_pred_test)
         print(r2_test_lr)
         metric l1.append(r2 test lr)
         rss1 lr = np.sum(np.square(y train - y pred train))
         print(rss1 lr)
         metric_l1.append(rss1_lr)
         rss2_lr = np.sum(np.square(y_test - y_pred_test))
         print(rss2_lr)
         metric l1.append(rss2 lr)
         mse_train_lr = mean_squared_error(y_train, y_pred_train)
         print(mse train lr)
         metric_l1.append(mse_train_lr**0.5)
         mse_test_lr = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_test)
         print(mse test lr)
         metric_l1.append(mse_test_lr**0.5)
         0.9257559656924212
         0.9085812155430923
         263157203647.1002
         163674004431.30988
         346259478.48302656
         644385844.2177554
In [91]:
         lr table = {'Metric': ['R2 Score (Train)','R2 Score (Test)','RSS (Train)','RSS (Test)',
                                 'MSE (Train)','MSE (Test)'],
         lr metric = pd.DataFrame(lr table ,columns = ['Metric'] )
         ls metric = pd.Series(metric2, name = 'Lasso Regression')
         ls metric1 = pd.Series(metric 11, name = 'Lasso Regression New')
         final metrics all = pd.concat([lr metric, ls metric, ls metric1], axis = 1)
         final metrics all
Out[91]:
                 Metric Lasso Regression Lasso Regression_New
         0 R2 Score (Train)
                           9.264446e-01
                                             9.257560e-01
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9.085812e-01

2.631572e+11

1.636740e+11

1.860805e+04

2.538476e+04

R2 Score (Test)

RSS (Train)

RSS (Test)

MSE (Train)

MSE (Test)

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9.139978e-01

2.607165e+11

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1.852155e+04

2.462125e+04

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In [92]:
         lasso imp1 = pd.DataFrame()
         lasso imp1["Feature"] = pd.Series(X_train11.columns)
         lasso imp1["imp"] = pd.Series(lasso1.coef )
         lasso imp1["abs imp"] = [abs(t) for t in lasso1.coef ]
         lasso_imp1 = lasso_imp1.sort values(by = "abs imp", ascending = False)
         print(lasso impl.head(5))
         lasso imp fea1 = list(lasso imp1.head(5)["Feature"])
         lasso imp feal
                    Feature
                                                   abs imp
                                        imp
                   1stFlrSF 177754.733646 177754.733646
        9
                   2ndFlrSF 81652.315402 81652.315402
        3
                  YearBuilt 31721.495953
                                            31721.495953
                OverallCond
                              27507.910087
                                             27507.910087
        189 KitchenQual TA -26069.597794
                                             26069.597794
        ['1stFlrSF', '2ndFlrSF', 'YearBuilt', 'OverallCond', 'KitchenQual TA']
Out[92]:
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The new Top 5 features are '1stFlrSF', '2ndFlrSF', 'YearBuilt', 'OverallCond', 'KitchenQual\_TA'.

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In [ ]:
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- 7. In general, we should find a balance between model accuracy and complexity. This can be achieved with strategies such as Ridge Regression and Lasso.

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In []:
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