Homework 3 - Linear Model Selection and Regularization

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```
[137]: #Import stuff
       import numpy as np
       import pandas as pd
       import itertools
       from sklearn import linear_model
       from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
       from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
       import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
       %matplotlib inline
       from matplotlib import rcParams
       #import seaborn as sns
       rcParams['font.family'] = 'serif'
       # Adjust rc parameters to make plots pretty
       def plot_pretty(dpi=200, fontsize=8):
           import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
           plt.rc("savefig", dpi=dpi)
           plt.rc('text', usetex=True)
           plt.rc('font', size=fontsize)
           plt.rc('xtick', direction='in')
           plt.rc('ytick', direction='in')
           plt.rc('xtick.major', pad=10)
           plt.rc('xtick.minor', pad=5)
           plt.rc('ytick.major', pad=10)
           plt.rc('ytick.minor', pad=5)
           plt.rc('lines', dotted_pattern = [0.5, 1.1])
           return
       plot_pretty()
```

1 Training/test error for subset selection

1.1 Generating a dataset

Generate a dataset with p=20 features, n=1000 observations and quantitative response vector $Y=X\beta+\epsilon$.

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[138]: # Set a random seed
np.random.seed(seed=42020)
```

Now, create a matrix of size $n \times p$ (That is 1000×20) with elements drawn from a normal distribution with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma = 1.0$.

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[139]: mu = 0.0
sigma = 1.0

# Dimensions of the matrix
n = 1000
p = 20

X = np.random.normal(mu, sigma, [n,p])
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Generate now en error vector ϵ (of dimension 1000) and and a vector β of dimension 20. Pick 5 of those in β and set them equal to zero.

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[140]: eps = np.random.normal(mu,sigma, 1000)
beta = np.random.normal(mu,sigma, 20)

beta[0] = 0.0
beta[1] = 0.0
beta[2] = 0.0
beta[3] = 0.0
beta[4] = 0.0
```

Create the response vector Y.

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[141]: Y = np.matmul(X,beta) + eps
```

1.2 Split in training / test set.

```
[142]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,Y,test_size=0.9, □ → random_state=42)
```

1.3 Best subset selection

Perform best subset selection on the training set and plot the training set MSE associated with the best model of each size.

Start by writing a function that performs the linear regression and returns the RSS of each model/fit.

Remember that the Residual Sum of Squares is defined as (for n instances):

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - f(x_i))^2$$
 (1)

The mean squared error is simply: MSE = RSS/n.

```
[143]: def lin_reg_RSS(X_mat, y_vec):
    # Define linear model
    lin_mod = linear_model.LinearRegression(fit_intercept = True)
    lin_mod.fit(X_mat,y_vec) # Fit the training set
    y_pred = lin_mod.predict(X_mat) # Predict on the training set
    RSS = mean_squared_error(y_vec,y_pred) * len(y_vec) # Calculate RSS
    return RSS
```

Now perform the best subset selection.

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[144]: |# Loop over the range 1, 2, ..., p (including p)
       RSS list = [] # List that stores the RSS values
       features = [] # List that stores the features of each different model
       numb features = [] # List that stores the number of features of each model
       p=20
       for k in range(1,p+1):
           print("Running for k={}".format(k))
           # Then loop over all the (p,k) models
           for X_sub in itertools.combinations(X_train.T,k):
               X_sub = np.asarray(X_sub) #Submatrix that has features for the specific_
        -> case
               RSS_loc = lin_reg_RSS(X_sub.T,y_train) # Local RSS from the linear_
        \rightarrow regression
               # Now update the arrays - append
               RSS_list.append(RSS_loc)
               features.append(X_sub.T)
               numb features.append(len(X sub))
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Running for k=2
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Now just save somewhere all the possible combinations. That's gonna be useful to build the model.

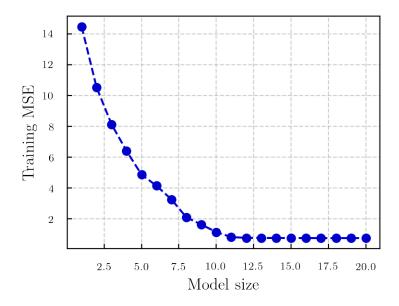
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[145]: iterable = np.arange(1,21)
  combinations = []

for k in range(1,p+1):
    for combs in itertools.combinations(iterable,k):
        combs = np.asarray(combs)
        combinations.append(combs)
```

We have the minimum RSS values for each number of features values. We estimate the MSE values as RSS/n, where n = 100 in our case.

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[148]: MSE_train = Min_RSSs/100.
feat_arr = np.arange(1,21)
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plt.figure(figsize=(4.2,3.2))
plt.plot(feat_arr, MSE_train, c='mediumblue', ls='--', marker='o')
plt.xlabel('Model size', fontsize=12);plt.ylabel('Training MSE', fontsize=12)
plt.grid(ls='--', alpha=0.6)
plt.show()
```



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[149]: print(feat_arr[MSE_train==np.min(MSE_train)])
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The minimum is achieved for the model with all predictors (p = 20).

1.4 Plot test MSE associated with the best model of each size.

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[189]: MSE_test = np.zeros(p) #Store the MSE of the test set

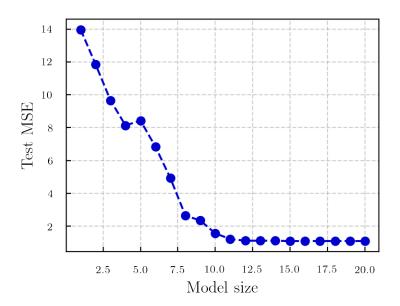
for i in range(1,p+1):
    # Create a local data frame that keeps all models with number of features i
    df_loc =df.loc[df['numb_features'] == i]
    # Create a matrix that contains the feature matrices of all models with
    # i number of features
    X_mat_loc = np.asarray(df_loc['features'])
    # Create a list that contains the RSS of all models with i number of features
    RSS_loc_list = np.asarray(df_loc['RSS_list'])
    # Find the minimum
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min_RSS_loc = np.min(RSS_loc_list)
a = np.arange(len(X_mat_loc))
a_up = a[RSS_loc_list==min_RSS_loc]
X_train_loc = X_mat_loc[a_up[0]]
#print(np.shape(X_train_loc))
# Keep the test feature matrix that corresponds to the minimum RSS
# Get the combinations of all models with i number of features
combinations loc = np.asarray(df loc['combinations'])
# Combination of features corresponding to the minimum
combs_min = combinations_loc[RSS_loc_list==min_RSS_loc]
combs_min = combs_min[0]-1
# Create the feature matrix
X_test_loc = X_test.T[combs_min].T
# Fit a linear model on the training set
lin_mod = linear_model.LinearRegression(fit_intercept = True)
lin_mod.fit(X_train_loc,y_train) # Fit the training set
y_pred_loc = lin_mod.predict(X_test_loc) # Predict on the test set
MSE_loc = mean_squared_error(y_test,y_pred_loc) # Calculate MSE
MSE_test[i-1] = MSE_loc
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[190]: plt.figure(figsize=(4.2,3.2))

plt.plot(feat_arr, MSE_test, c='mediumblue', ls='--', marker='o')

plt.xlabel('Model size', fontsize=12);plt.ylabel('Test MSE', fontsize=12)
 plt.grid(ls='--', alpha=0.6)
 plt.show()
```



1.5 Best Model size

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[192]: print(feat_arr[MSE_test==np.min(MSE_test)])
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The model fro which minimum MSE is achieved is for 15 features.

1.6 True and best model

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[194]: coeffs = []
      for i in range(15,16): #Keep only the model 15
          # Create a local data frame that keeps all models with number of features i
          df_loc =df.loc[df['numb_features'] == i]
          # Create a matrix that contains the feature matrices of all models with
          # i number of features
          X_mat_loc = np.asarray(df_loc['features'])
          # Create a list that contains the RSS of all models with i number of features
          RSS_loc_list = np.asarray(df_loc['RSS_list'])
          # Find the minimum
          min_RSS_loc = np.min(RSS_loc_list)
          a = np.arange(len(X_mat_loc))
          a_up = a[RSS_loc_list==min_RSS_loc]
          X_train_loc = X_mat_loc[a_up[0]]
          #print(np.shape(X train loc))
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# Keep the test feature matrix that corresponds to the minimum RSS
           # Get the combinations of all models with i number of features
          combinations_loc = np.asarray(df_loc['combinations'])
           # Combination of features corresponding to the minimum
          combs_min = combinations_loc[RSS_loc_list==min_RSS_loc]
          combs_min = combs_min[0]-1
          # Create the feature matrix
          X_test_loc = X_test.T[combs_min].T
          # Fit a linear model on the training set
          lin_mod = linear_model.LinearRegression(fit_intercept = True)
          lin_mod.fit(X_train_loc,y_train) # Fit the training set
          coef = lin_mod.coef_
          coeffs.append(coef)
[195]: # Coefficients of the best model
      print(coeffs)
      [array([ 0.08381228, 1.26974877, 0.8060982 , 0.59523776, -1.18213344,
              0.07783395, -0.55277929, 2.15440778, -1.24488641, 1.05978406,
              0.05355805, -1.07334115, 1.35713046, -1.42591147, 0.27746017])
[197]: # Real coefficients
      print(beta)
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       -1.32818211 0.96565878 0.14881125 -1.16400088 1.18491951 -1.38323677
        0.26502957 0.
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We see that the coefficients that are actually 0 tend to be smaller, and in some cases there is some agreement between the coefficients, but overall it is not the case.

1.7 Plot

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Let's first read the data.

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[66]: df_train = pd.read_csv('gss_train.csv') #Train data
      df_test = pd.read_csv('gss_test.csv') #Test data
      # Get feature matrices
      X_train = np.asarray(df_train.loc[:, df_train.columns != 'egalit_scale'])
      X_test = np.asarray(df_test.loc[:, df_test.columns != 'egalit_scale'])
      # Get responses
      y_train = np.asarray(df_train['egalit_scale'])
      y_test = np.asarray(df_test['egalit_scale'])
      df_train.head()
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2.1 Least squares fit

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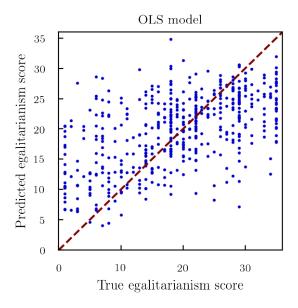
The test MSE of the ordinarcy least squares linear model is ~ 63.2 .

Let's plot the predicted versus the true value, to see how our model performs.

```
[47]: x_lin = np.linspace(0,36,200)
plt.figure(figsize=(3.0,3.0))

plt.scatter(y_test,y_pred_ols,color='mediumblue', s=1.5)
plt.plot(x_lin,x_lin,c='maroon',ls='--')

plt.xlabel('True egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.ylabel('Predicted egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.title('OLS model')
plt.xlim(0,36);plt.ylim(0,36)
plt.show()
```



2.2 Ridge regression model

Now fit a ridge regression model on the training set, with the λ parameter chosen by 10-fold cross-validation.

For that reason I will use the GridSearchCV class from scikit-learn.

```
[52]: from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
  param_grid = {'alpha':[0.0001, 0.001, 0.01, 1.0, 10.0,100,1000]}
  Ridge = linear_model.Ridge(alpha=1.0, fit_intercept=True)

grid = GridSearchCV(Ridge, param_grid,cv=10, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
  grid.fit(X_train, y_train)
  print(grid.best_params_)
```

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{'alpha': 100}
```

So, the best parameter, in the way we defined the grid, is $\lambda = 100$ (or α as named in the scikit-learn Ridge regression class).

Let's run again the model, using this regularization parameter.

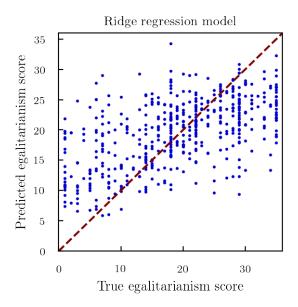
62.256410822269125

The Ridge regression model (with $\lambda = 100$ chosen from a 10-fold CV process) gives a MSE on the test set MSE ~ 62.25 . That means, not so great.

```
[68]: plt.figure(figsize=(3.0,3.0))

plt.scatter(y_test,y_pred_Ridge,color='mediumblue', s=1.5)
plt.plot(x_lin,x_lin,c='maroon',ls='--')

plt.xlabel('True egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.ylabel('Predicted egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.title('Ridge regression model')
plt.xlim(0,36);plt.ylim(0,36)
plt.show()
```



2.3 Lasso regression model

Now fit a lasso regression model on the training set, with the λ parameter chosen by 10-fold cross-validation.

```
[61]: param_grid = {'alpha':[0.0001, 0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1.0, 10.0,100,1000]}
Lasso = linear_model.Lasso(alpha=1.0, fit_intercept=True)

grid = GridSearchCV(Lasso, param_grid,cv=10, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
grid.fit(X_train, y_train)
print(grid.best_params_)
```

{'alpha': 0.1}

The best λ parameter (or α , as called here) is $\lambda = 0.1$. Re-fit the model with this parameter and re-calculate.

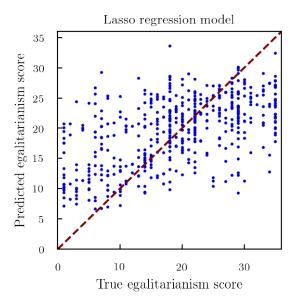
62.77841555477389

The MSE is high; higher than the one obtained using the Ridge regression method, but less than that of the OLS model. Let's plot to see.

```
[72]: plt.figure(figsize=(3.0,3.0))

plt.scatter(y_test,y_pred_Lasso,color='mediumblue', s=1.5)
plt.plot(x_lin,x_lin,c='maroon',ls='--')

plt.xlabel('True egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.ylabel('Predicted egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.title('Lasso regression model')
plt.xlim(0,36);plt.ylim(0,36)
plt.show()
```



2.4 Elastic net regression

Again, select α and λ parameters using 10-fold cross validation.

Note that sklearn has a strange implementation of the elastic net regression, with the parameters alpha, 11_ratio. These are connected to the parameters α , λ as:

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\begin{aligned} \texttt{alpha} &= \alpha + \lambda \\ \texttt{l1\_ratio} &= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \lambda}. \end{aligned}
```

11_ratio get's values in the range [0, 1]. Here I will peak different values in alpha, as before, and values in l1 ratio in the above range.

{'alpha': 0.1, 'l1_ratio': 0.9}

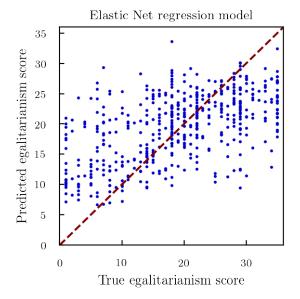
62.73277839229572

The MSE of the elastic net is ~ 62.73 , similar to that of the Lasso regression. Let's plot true and predicted egalitarianism score.

```
[76]: plt.figure(figsize=(3.0,3.0))

plt.scatter(y_test,y_pred_Elastic,color='mediumblue', s=1.5)
plt.plot(x_lin,x_lin,c='maroon',ls='--')

plt.xlabel('True egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.ylabel('Predicted egalitarianism score',fontsize=10)
plt.title('Elastic Net regression model')
plt.xlim(0,36);plt.ylim(0,36)
plt.show()
```



Let's also report the non-zero coefficient estimates.

```
[79]: coeffs = ElasticNet.coef_
print(len(coeffs[coeffs!=0]))
```

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We see that we have 27 non-zero coefficient estimates (from the 77 predictors). Hopefully, the zodiacs give zero estimates. Let's print the non zero coefficients.

```
[80]: print((coeffs[coeffs!=0]))
```

2.5 Comments

In all cases the MSE was large (~ 63) and the errors were similar in all models (OLS, Ridge, Lasso, Elastic Net). It seems that it is very hard to predict a person's egalitarianism.