

**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?**

Ans:- Optimal value of alpha is value which minimizes the sum of bias and variance is minimum.

In housing data set the optimal value of alpha for lasso:- 0.001

In housing data set the optimal value of alpha for ridge:- 100

If double value of alpha for ridge and lasso: in case of ridge it will lower the coefficient and in case of lasso for insignificant predictor coefficient will tend to zero.

Most important predictor variables after the changes will be the variable which are more significant .

**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?**

Ans:

optimal value for lambda for Lasso : {'alpha': 0.001}

Lasso:- Train R2 Square : 0.94 Test R2 Square : 0.87

optimal value for lambda for Ridge {'alpha': 100}

Ridge:- Train R2 Square : 0.93 Test R2 Square : 0.88

As we got good score in both Lasso and ridge will go with Lasso because in lasso insignificant predictor will be zero.

**Question 3: After building the model, you realized 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?**

Ans:

## 5 most significant feature in Lasso

PoolArea 0.220

PoolQC\_Fa 0.199

GrLivArea 0.111

PavedDrive\_Y -0.070

OverallQual 0.066

## 5 most significant feature in Ridge

OverallQual 0.054

GrLivArea 0.044

PavedDrive\_Y -0.036

OverallCond 0.033

1stFlrSF 0.031

**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?**

Ans:

The model should be as simple. There should be Bias-variance tradeoff. The simple model will be more biased but less variance and more general.

Bias is error in model when model is weak to learn from the data. High bias means model is weak. Variance: this also is error in model. When model is overfitted, high variance means it's not generalized.

So there should be trade-off between bias and variance.

Also we need to handle outliers. It should be removed from the data set.