

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: the optimal value of alpha is:

Ridge regression: 100

Lasso regression: 0.01

If we double the alpha:

Most Important Features in Adjusted Ridge Model:

	Feature	Coefficient
15	GrLivArea	0.055879
3	OverallQual	0.050410
12	1stFlrSF	0.040389
4	OverallCond	0.030429
2	LotArea	0.028082
236	PoolQC_Gd	-0.024550
5	YearBuilt	0.023204
25	GarageCars	0.022231
71	Neighborhood_NridgHt	0.021403
165	BsmtQual_TA	-0.020293

Most Important Features in Adjusted Lasso Model:

	Feature	Coefficient
3	OverallQual	0.120612
15	GrLivArea	0.102899
25	GarageCars	0.047058
5	YearBuilt	0.042119
2	LotArea	0.036247
6	YearRemodAdd	0.027632
12	1stFlrSF	0.025903
8	BsmtFinSF1	0.023001
195	CentralAir_Y	0.015275
4	OverallCond	0.014255

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: We will be using lasso regression because it performed better than Ridge in both RMSE and Rsquare.

Ridge Regression RMSE: 0.15

Ridge Regression R^2 : 0.88

Lasso Regression RMSE: 0.14

Lasso Regression R^2 : 0.89

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?

ANS:

Earlier:

GrLivArea: 0.117245

OverallQual: 0.100235

YearBuilt: 0.0494655

GarageCars: 0.0405937

LotArea: 0.0390393

If above variables dont come then:

OverallCond: 0.0310488

1stFlrSF: 0.0269366

BsmtFinSF1: 0.0236197

YearRemodAdd: 0.0222982

BsmtFullBath: 0.0161822

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:

1. Data processing: we should process the data in best way possible to make sure it makes sense and match real world
2. Data scaling: We should make sure the to scale data and remove outliers
3. We should use validations like RSME and K-fold
4. Use regularization which increase the bais to reduce variance
5. Use good feature selection: we should properly select the features that matter to reduce the noice
6. Monitoring: We should monitor the performance and make sure it improves with time

