

Problem: 1**Background:**

Error: The difference between actual or true value and predicted value derived from model.

Error term has two components:

1. Reducible error
 - a. consists of variance and bias, need to strike a balance between these components to produce a high performance model
 - b. Variance and bias depends on the Model flexibility (or) complexity and actual data nature whether it is more linear or non linear
2. Irreducible error
 - a. due to unknown factors, uncaptured data, unpredictable factors
 - b. nothing we can do much to reduce this component

Our main objective should be reducing the MSE of test data rather than train data as overfitting training data leads to include noise from train data which is not present in test data set.

a) Large Sample size n & Small number of Predictors p :

More Flexible model fits well with large sample size hence flexible model performance better than inflexible model

b) Small Sample size n & Large number of Predictors p :

With small sample size, flexible model over fits the training data which leads to poor performance with test data sets. Hence flexible model performs worse than inflexible model

c) Relationship between predictors and response is highly non-linear:

With highly non-linear data more flexible model will account for non-linearity in the data whereas inflexible model might lead to poor fit to the data hence Flexible model performance better than Inflexible model

d) $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(\epsilon)$, is extremely high:

This means high noise in the train data, a flexible method could over fit the data and include this noise in the model which is not present in the test data. So Inflexible method performs better than flexible method

Problem: 2

1. **Prediction:** predict an event or outcome value (Y) based on the data in hand (X) by computing $\hat{Y} = \hat{f}(X)$. $\hat{f}(X)$ could be a black box, we are most interested in the outcome variable than understanding f .
2. **Inference:** some times our goal may not be necessarily to make prediction instead we want to understand the relationship between X and Y or more specifically how Y varies with changes in X . with this we can find out the exact relationship between response and each predictor.

a)

- i. Data set of 500 firms \rightarrow sample size $n = 500$
- ii. Predictors: profit, number of employees, industry $\rightarrow p = 3$
- iii. Output variable, CEO's Salary, a quantitative variable \rightarrow Scenario: Regression
- iv. We are most interested the relationship between predictors and output \rightarrow Inference

b)

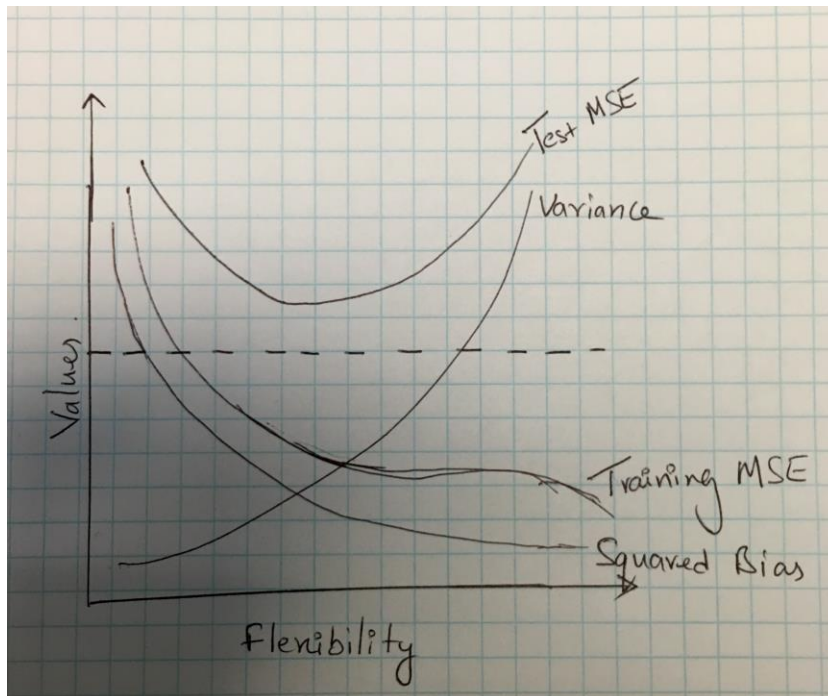
- i. Data of 20 similar products launched previously \rightarrow sample size $n = 20$
- ii. Predictors: price charged for the product, marketing budget, competition price, and ten other variables $\rightarrow p = 13$
- iii. Output variable, whether new product will be a success or a failure, a categorical variable \rightarrow Scenario: Classification
- iv. We are only interested in output \rightarrow Prediction

c)

- i. Weekly data for all of 2012: 53 weeks \rightarrow sample size $n = 53$
- ii. Predictors: % change in the dollar, the % change in the US market, the % change in the British market, and the % change in the German market. $\rightarrow p = 3$
- iii. Response variable, % change in the US dollar, a quantitative variable \rightarrow Scenario: Regression
- iv. We are only interested in predicting output \rightarrow Prediction

Problem: 3

a)



b)

Variance: measures how much $\hat{f}(x)$ changes as we change the training data set

Bias: measure how far the estimated value of $\hat{f}(x)$ from the actual or true $f(x)$

$$\text{Test MSE} = \text{Var}(\hat{f}(x_0)) + [\text{Bias}(\hat{f}(x_0))]^2 + \text{Var}(\epsilon_0)$$

Variance: increases monotonically as flexibility increases. more flexible fit contains noise from the train data. As the training data changes \hat{f} changes hence higher variance.

Squared bias: declines monotonically as flexibility increases. Inflexible models approximate the relationship between the variable to greater extent.

Var(ϵ), the irreducible error is constant unless we add new data or come up with new predictors

Test MSE declines at first, because as flexibility increases the bias decreases. However, increased flexibility leads

to increased variance, so at some point the benefits of decreasing bias are outweighed by the variance, which

Problem 4:

Bias Variance Decomposition Equation:

$$E(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2 = \text{Var}(\hat{f}(x_0)) + [\text{Bias}(\hat{f}(x_0))]^2 + \text{Var}(\epsilon_0)$$

Variance: measures how much $\hat{f}(x)$ changes as we change the training data set

Bias: measure how far the estimated value of $\hat{f}(x)$ from the actual or true $f(x)$

b) We cannot estimate the *bias* component as we don't have the true $f(x)$.

c) We can estimate the *variance* component by using already simulated models, find out corresponding estimated y_0 and measure the variance.

d) we cannot estimate the variance in ϵ_0 as $y_0 = f(x_0) + \epsilon_0$ and we cannot simulate y_0

a) We cannot compute TEST MSE as well as we don't know true f

To summarize, with unknown f , we can only estimate the variance component.

Problem 5:

```
## Read data
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```
college <- read.csv('College.csv', header=TRUE)
```

```
## view data
```

```
head (college)
```

```
##               X Private Apps Accept Enroll Top10perc
```

```
## 1 Abilene Christian University      Yes 1660   1232   721      23
## 2      Adelphi University           Yes 2186   1924   512      16
## 3      Adrian College              Yes 1428   1097   336      22
## 4      Agnes Scott College         Yes  417    349   137      60
## 5      Alaska Pacific University   Yes  193    146    55      16
## 6      Albertson College           Yes  587    479   158      38
##      Top25perc F.Undergrad P.Undergrad Outstate Room.Board Books Personal PhD
## 1      52      2885      537    7440      3300   450      2200   70
## 2      29      2683      1227   12280      6450   750      1500   29
## 3      50      1036      99    11250      3750   400      1165   53
## 4      89      510      63    12960      5450   450      875   92
## 5      44      249      869    7560      4120   800      1500   76
## 6      62      678      41    13500      3335   500      675   67
##      Terminal S.F.Ratio perc.alumni Expend Grad.Rate
## 1      78      18.1      12    7041      60
## 2      30      12.2      16   10527      56
## 3      66      12.9      30    8735      54
## 4      97      7.7      37   19016      59
## 5      72      11.9      2   10922      15
## 6      73      9.4      11    9727      55
```

include college names in to the datafarama

```
rownames (college )<- college [,1]
college <- college [,-1]
```

Summary

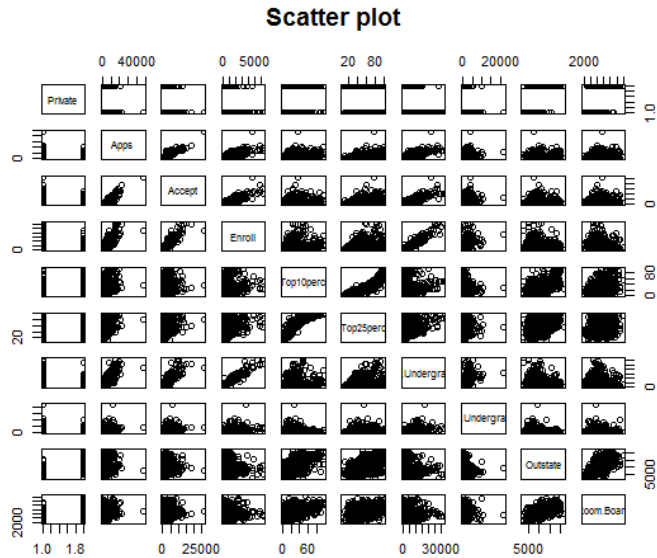
```
summary(college)

##              X      Private      Apps
## Abilene Christian University: 1  No :212  Min.   :   81
## Adelphi University          : 1  Yes:565  1st Qu.:  776
## Adrian College              : 1              Median : 1558
## Agnes Scott College         : 1              Mean   : 3002
## Alaska Pacific University   : 1              3rd Qu.: 3624
## Albertson College           : 1              Max.   :48094
## (Other)                     :771
```

```
##      Accept      Enroll      Top10perc      Top25perc
##  Min.      : 72    Min.      : 35    Min.      : 1.00    Min.      : 9.0
## 1st Qu.: 604    1st Qu.: 242    1st Qu.:15.00    1st Qu.: 41.0
## Median : 1110    Median : 434    Median :23.00    Median : 54.0
## Mean      : 2019    Mean      : 780    Mean      :27.56    Mean      : 55.8
## 3rd Qu.: 2424    3rd Qu.: 902    3rd Qu.:35.00    3rd Qu.: 69.0
## Max.      :26330    Max.      :6392    Max.      :96.00    Max.      :100.0
##
##      F.Undergrad      P.Undergrad      Outstate      Room.Board
##  Min.      : 139    Min.      : 1.0    Min.      : 2340    Min.      :1780
## 1st Qu.: 992    1st Qu.: 95.0    1st Qu.: 7320    1st Qu.:3597
## Median : 1707    Median : 353.0    Median : 9990    Median :4200
## Mean      : 3700    Mean      : 855.3    Mean      :10441    Mean      :4358
## 3rd Qu.: 4005    3rd Qu.: 967.0    3rd Qu.:12925    3rd Qu.:5050
## Max.      :31643    Max.      :21836.0    Max.      :21700    Max.      :8124
##
##      Books      Personal      PhD      Terminal
##  Min.      : 96.0    Min.      : 250    Min.      : 8.00    Min.      : 24.0
## 1st Qu.: 470.0    1st Qu.: 850    1st Qu.: 62.00    1st Qu.: 71.0
## Median : 500.0    Median :1200    Median : 75.00    Median : 82.0
## Mean      : 549.4    Mean      :1341    Mean      : 72.66    Mean      : 79.7
## 3rd Qu.: 600.0    3rd Qu.:1700    3rd Qu.: 85.00    3rd Qu.: 92.0
## Max.      :2340.0    Max.      :6800    Max.      :103.00    Max.      :100.0
##
##      S.F.Ratio      perc.alumni      Expend      Grad.Rate
##  Min.      : 2.50    Min.      : 0.00    Min.      : 3186    Min.      : 10.00
## 1st Qu.:11.50    1st Qu.:13.00    1st Qu.: 6751    1st Qu.: 53.00
## Median :13.60    Median :21.00    Median : 8377    Median : 65.00
## Mean      :14.09    Mean      :22.74    Mean      : 9660    Mean      : 65.46
## 3rd Qu.:16.50    3rd Qu.:31.00    3rd Qu.:10830    3rd Qu.: 78.00
## Max.      :39.80    Max.      :64.00    Max.      :56233    Max.      :118.00
##
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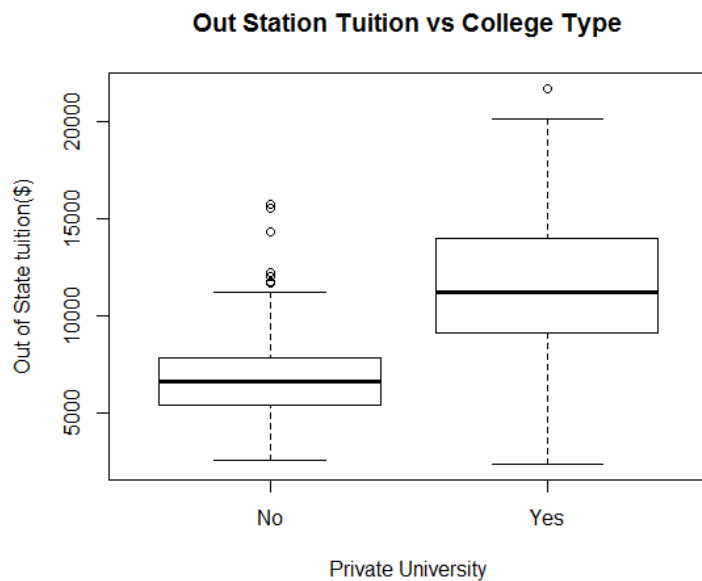
Use the pairs () function to produce a scatterplot matrix of the first ten columns or variables of the data.

```
pairs(college[, 1:10], main='Scatter plot')
```



Use the `plot()` function to produce side-by-side boxplots of 'Outstate' vs. 'Private'

```
plot(college$Private, college$Outstate, xlab = "Private University", ylab = "Out of State tuition($)", main = "Out Station Tuition vs College Type")
```



- Median Out of station Tuition fee is higher for Private colleges compared to Public colleges

Create a new qualitative variable, called `Elite`, by binning the `Top10perc` variable. We are going to divide universities into two groups based on whether or not the proportion of students coming from the top 10% of their high school classes exceed 50%.

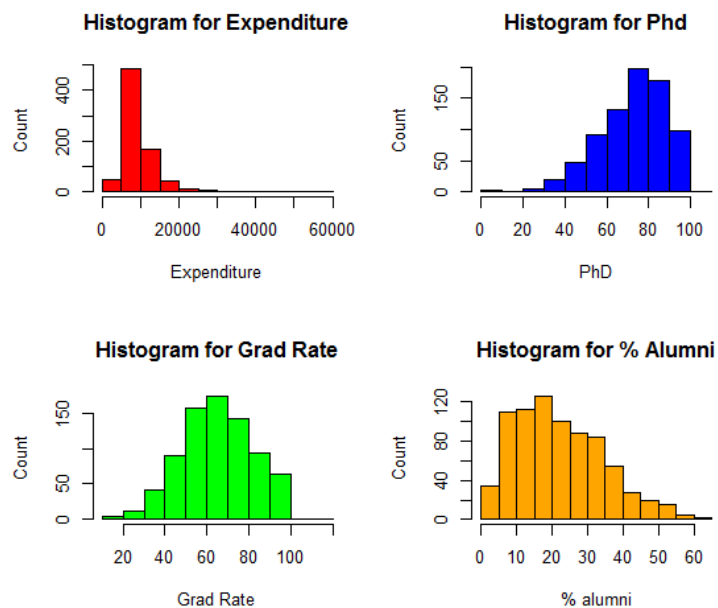
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college$Elite<- 'No'
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college[college$Top10perc > 50,]$Elite<-'Yes'
college$Elite<- as.factor(college$Elite)
summary(college$Elite)

## No Yes
## 699  78
```

##Use the hist() function to produce some histograms with differing numbers of bins for a few of the quantitative variables

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
hist(college$Expend, col = 'red', xlab = "Expenditure", ylab = "Count",
main='Histogram for Expenditure')
hist(college$PhD, col = 'blue', xlab = "PhD", ylab = "Count",
main='Histogram for Phd')
hist(college$Grad.Rate, col = 'green', xlab = "Grad Rate", ylab = "Count",
main='Histogram for Grad Rate')
hist(college$perc.alumni, col = 'orange', xlab = "% alumni", ylab = "Count",
main='Histogram for % Alumni')
```

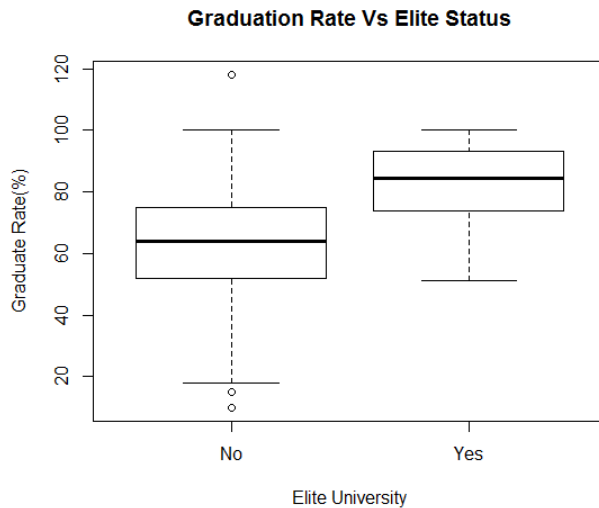


- % Phd Professors metric is negatively skewed
- % Alumni metric is positively skewed

further data exploration

- i. If we look at summary of Grad. Rate & PhD columns the max value is greater than 100, this could be an issue with data entry
- ii. Median Graduation rate is higher in Elite Colleges compared to non-Elite colleges and there is an outlier in the non-Elite college data

```
plot(college$Elite, college$Grad.Rate, xlab = "Elite University", ylab = "Graduate Rate (%)", main = "Graduation Rate Vs Elite Status")
```



- iii. Median Acceptance rate is lower Elite Colleges compared to non-Elite colleges

```
college$acceptance_rate <- (college$Accept/college$Apps)*100  
plot(college$Elite, college$acceptance_rate, xlab = "Elite University", ylab = "Acceptance Rate (%)", main = "Acceptance Rate Vs Elite Status")
```

