



Machine Learning

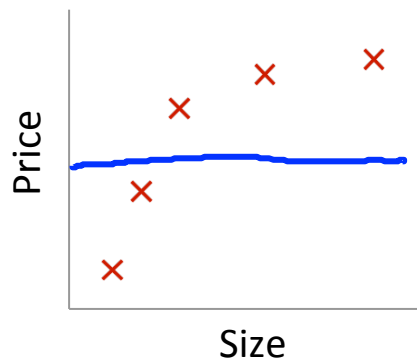
Advice for applying machine learning

Regularization and bias/variance

Linear regression with regularization

Model: $h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2 + \theta_3 x^3 + \theta_4 x^4$

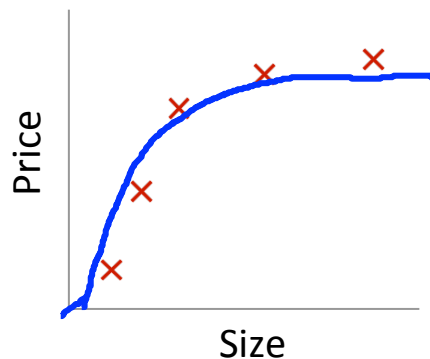
$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^m \theta_j^2$$



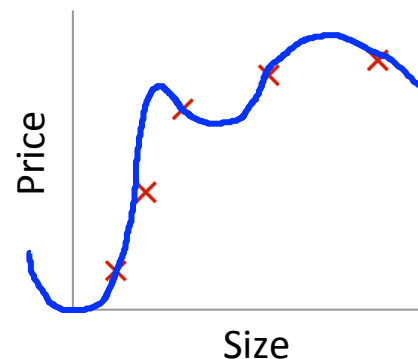
Large λ

→ High bias (underfit)

→ $\lambda = 10000$. $\theta_1 \approx 0, \theta_2 \approx 0, \dots$
 $h_{\theta}(x) \approx \theta_0$



Intermediate λ
 “Just right”



→ Small λ

High variance (overfit)

→ $\lambda = 0$

Choosing the regularization parameter λ

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$$\rightarrow J_{train}(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$J_{cv}(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m_{cv}} \sum_{i=1}^{m_{cv}} (h_{\theta}(x_{cv}^{(i)}) - y_{cv}^{(i)})^2$$

$$J_{test}(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m_{test}} \sum_{i=1}^{m_{test}} (h_{\theta}(x_{test}^{(i)}) - y_{test}^{(i)})^2$$

$J(\theta)$

J_{train}
 J_{cv}
 J_{test}

Choosing the regularization parameter λ

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1. Try $\lambda = 0 \leftarrow \uparrow \rightarrow \min_{\theta} J(\theta) \rightarrow \theta^{(1)} \rightarrow J_w(\theta^{(1)})$
 2. Try $\lambda = 0.01$ $\rightarrow \min_{\theta} J(\theta) \rightarrow \theta^{(2)} \rightarrow J_w(\theta^{(2)})$
 3. Try $\lambda = 0.02$ $\rightarrow \theta^{(3)} \rightarrow J_w(\theta^{(3)})$
 4. Try $\lambda = 0.04$ \vdots
 5. Try $\lambda = 0.08$ $\rightarrow \theta^{(5)} \rightarrow J_w(\theta^{(5)})$
 - \vdots
 12. Try $\lambda = 10$ $\rightarrow \theta^{(12)} \rightarrow J_w(\theta^{(12)})$
 $\uparrow \quad \underline{10.24}$
- Pick (say) $\theta^{(5)}$. Test error: $J_{\text{test}}(\theta^{(5)})$

Bias/variance as a function of the regularization parameter λ

