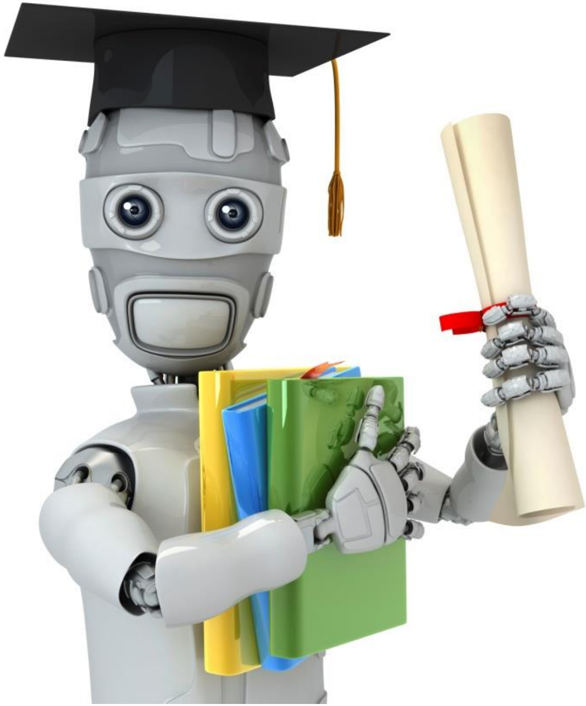

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Deciding what to try next

Debugging a learning algorithm:

Suppose you have implemented regularized linear regression to predict housing prices.

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However, when you test your hypothesis on a new set of houses, you find that it makes unacceptably large errors in its predictions. What should you try next?

- Get more training examples
- Try smaller sets of features
- Try getting additional features
- Try adding polynomial features $(x_1^2, x_2^2, x_1 x_2, \text{etc.})$
- Try decreasing λ
- Try increasing λ

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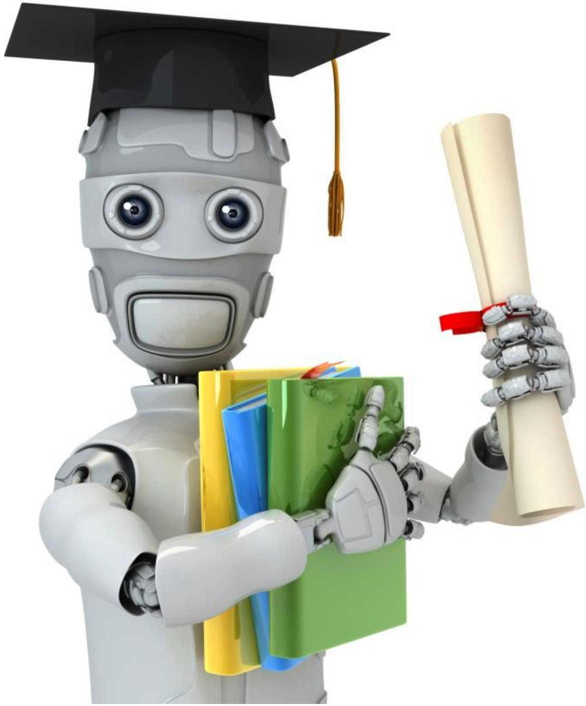
Machine learning diagnostic:

Diagnostic: A test that you can run to gain insight what is/isn’t working with a learning algorithm, and gain guidance as to how best to improve its performance.

Diagnostics can take time to implement, but doing so can be a very good use of your time.



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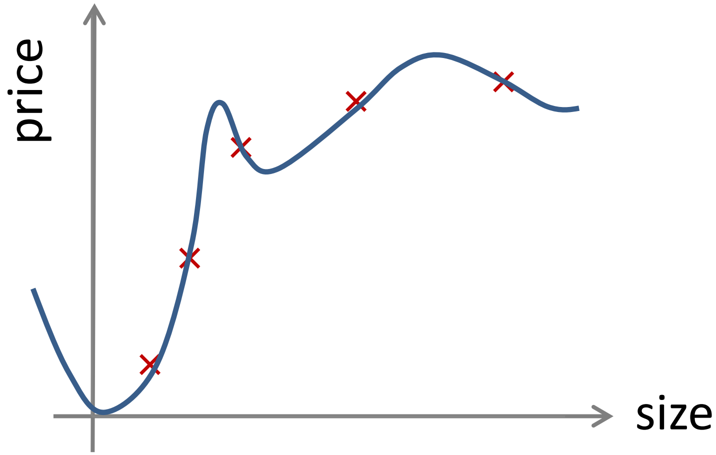
Evaluating a hypothesis

Evaluating your hypothesis



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

Fails to generalize to new examples not in training set.

$x_1 =$ size of house
$x_2 =$ no. of bedrooms
$x_3 =$ no. of floors
$x_4 =$ age of house
$x_5 =$ average income in neighborhood
$x_6 =$ kitchen size
$\vdots$
x_{100}

Evaluating your hypothesis

Dataset:

Size	Price
2104	400
1600	330
2400	369
1416	232
3000	540
1985	300
1534	315
1427	199
1380	212
1494	243

training set

test set

70% $\longrightarrow$

$$(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)})$$
$$(x^{(2)}, y^{(2)})$$
$$\vdots$$
$$(x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$$

30% $\longrightarrow$

$$(x^{(1)}_{test}, y^{(1)}_{test})$$
$$(x^{(2)}_{test}, y^{(2)}_{test})$$
$$\vdots$$
$$(x^{(m_{test})}_{test}, y^{(m_{test})}_{test})$$

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Training/testing procedure for linear regression

- Learn parameter θ from training data (minimizing training error $J(\theta)$)

- Compute test set error:

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

Training/testing procedure for logistic regression

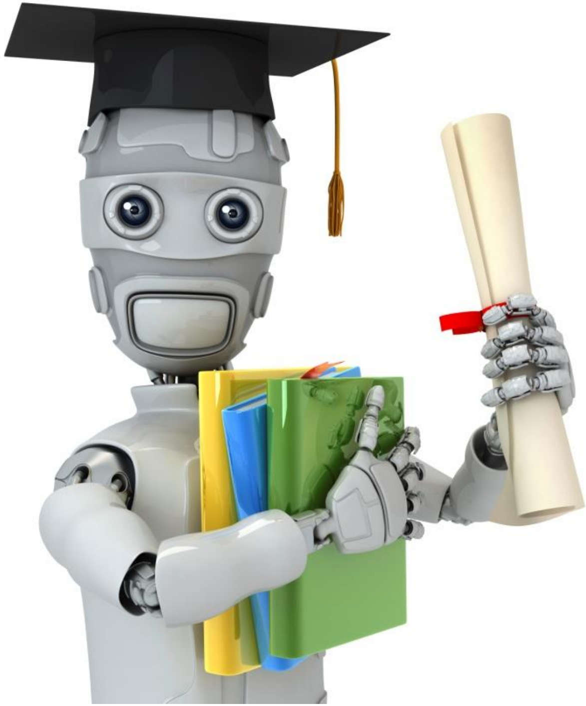
- Learn parameter θ from training data
- Compute test set error:

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

- Misclassification error (0/1 misclassification error):

$$\operatorname{err}(h_\theta(x), y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } h_0(x) \geqslant 0.5, y = 0 \\ & \text{or} \quad \text{if } h_\theta(x) < 0.5,\ y = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Test error} = \frac{1}{m_{\text{test}}} \sum_{i=1}^{m_{\text{test}}} \operatorname{err}\left(h_\theta\left(x_{\text{test}}^{(i)}\right), y_{\text{test}}^{(i)}\right)$$



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Model selection and training/validation/test sets

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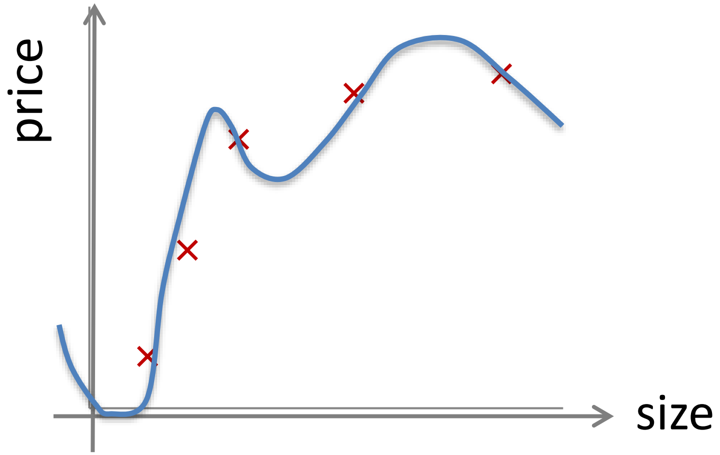
Overfitting example



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

Once parameters $\theta_0, \theta_1, \ldots, \theta_4$ were fit to some set of data (training set), the error of the parameters as measured on that data (the training error $J(\theta)$) is likely to be lower than the actual generalization error.

Model selection

1. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$
2. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2$
3. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \cdots + \theta_3 x^3$

$\vdots$

10. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \cdots + \theta_{10} x^{10}$

Choose $\theta_0 + \ldots \theta_5 x^5$

How well does the model generalize? Report test set error $J_{test}(\theta^{(5)})$.

Problem: $J_{test}(\theta^{(5)})$ is likely to be an optimistic estimate of generalization error. I.e. our extra parameter (d = degree of polynomial) is fit to test set.

Evaluating your hypothesis

Dataset:

	Size	Price
60%	2104	400
	1600	330
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training set

Cross validation set

test set

$$(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)})$$
$$(x^{(2)}, y^{(2)})$$
$$\vdots$$
$$(x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$$

$$(x_{cv}^{(1)}, y_{cv}^{(1)})$$
$$(x_{cv}^{(2)}, y_{cv}^{(2)})$$
$$\vdots$$
$$(x_{cv}^{(m_{cv})}, y_{cv}^{(m_{cv})})$$

$$(x_{test}^{(1)}, y_{test}^{(1)})$$
$$(x_{test}^{(2)}, y_{test}^{(2)})$$
$$\vdots$$
$$(x_{test}^{(m_{test})}, y_{test}^{(m_{test})})$$

Train/validation/test error

Training error:

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

Cross Validation error:

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

Test error:

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

Model selection

1. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$
2. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2$
3. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \cdots + \theta_3 x^3$

$\vdots$

10. $h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \cdots + \theta_{10} x^{10}$

Pick $\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \cdots + \theta_4 x^4$

Estimate generalization error for test set $J_{test}(\theta^{(4)})$

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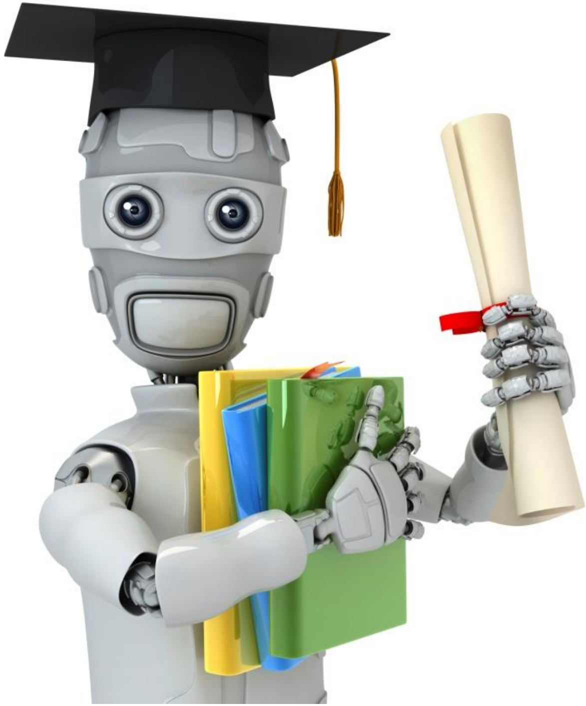

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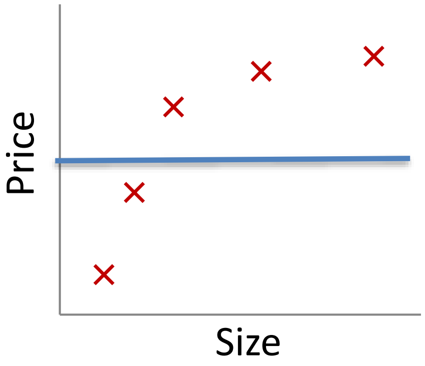
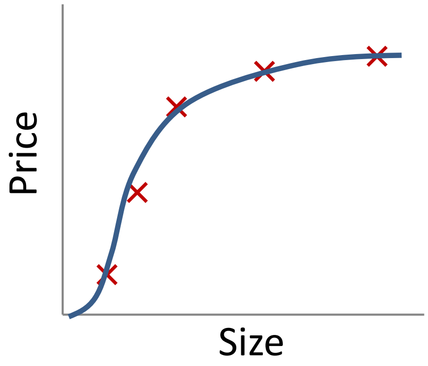
Diagnosing bias vs. variance

Bias/variance



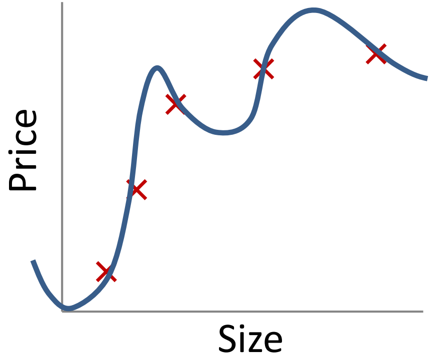
$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

High bias
(underfit)



$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2$$

"Just right"



$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2 + \theta_3 x^3 + \theta_4 x^4$$

High variance
(overfit)

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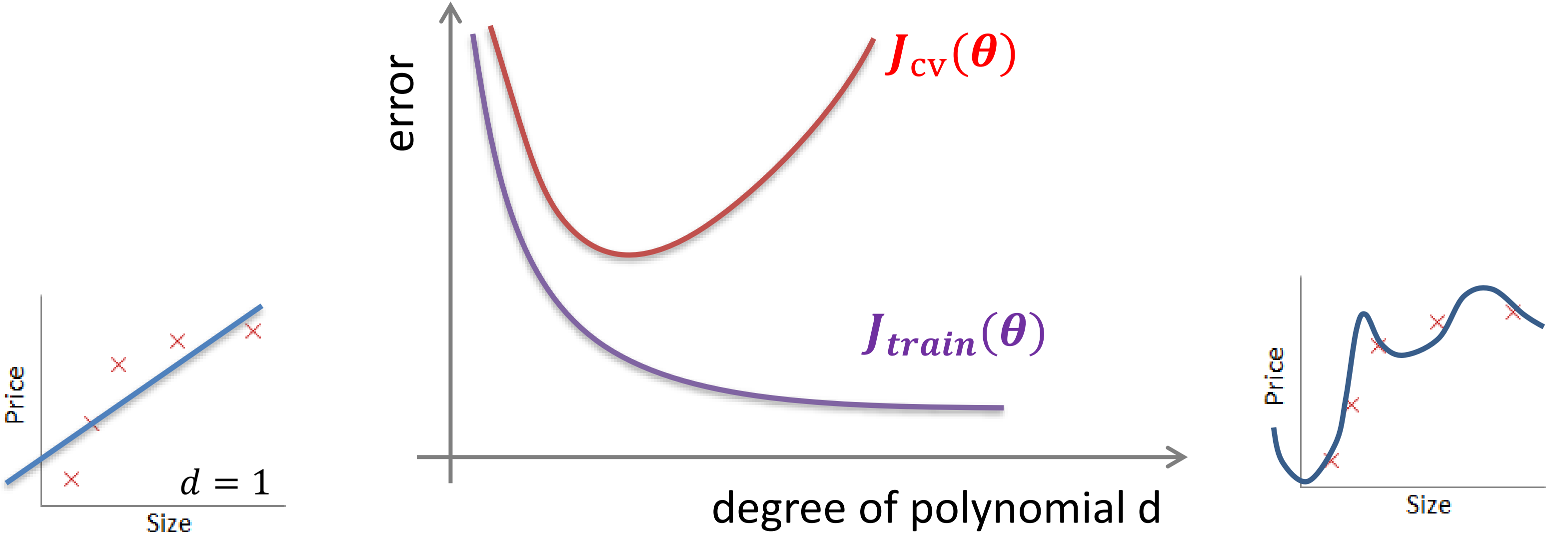
Bias/variance

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

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



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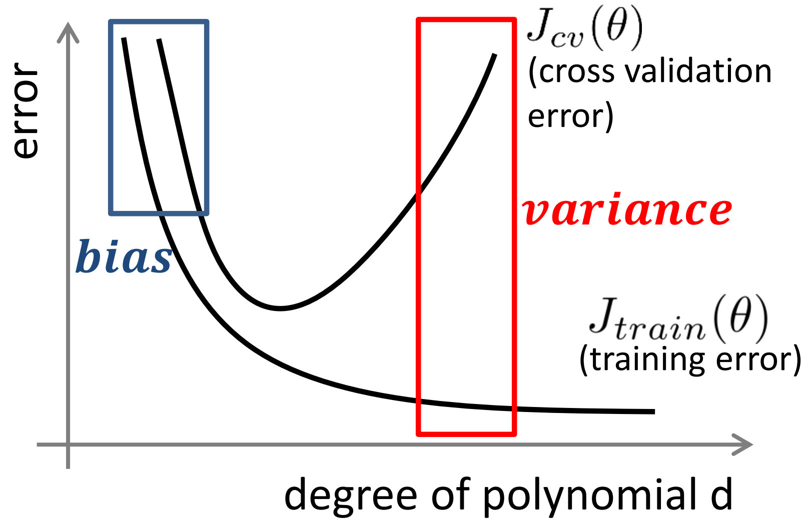
Diagnosing bias vs. variance

Suppose your learning algorithm is performing less well than you were hoping. ($J_{cv}(\theta)$ or $J_{test}(\theta)$ is high.) Is it a bias problem or a variance problem?



Bias (underfit):

$J_{train}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ *will be high*

$J_{\text{cv}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx J_{train}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

Variance (overfit):

$J_{train}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ *will be low*

$J_{\text{cv}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \gg J_{train}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

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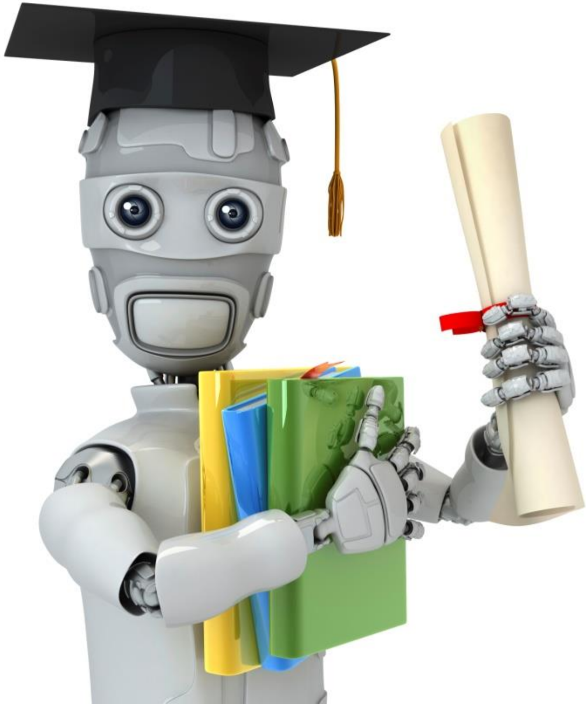

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Regularization and bias/variance

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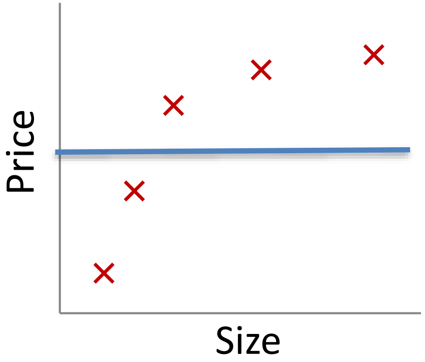
Linear regression with regularization

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

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

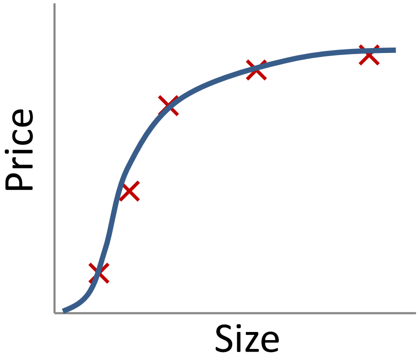


Large λ

High bias (underfit)

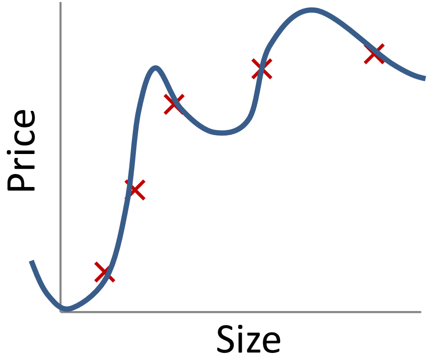
$\lambda = 10000.\ \theta_1 \approx 0, \theta_2 \approx 0, \ldots$

$h_\theta(x) \approx \theta_0$



Intermediate λ

"Just right"



Small λ

High variance (overfit)

Choosing the regularization parameter λ

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

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

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

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Choosing the regularization parameter λ

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1. Try $\lambda = 0$
2. Try $\lambda = 0.01$
3. Try $\lambda = 0.02$
4. Try $\lambda = 0.04$
5. Try $\lambda = 0.08$

$\vdots$

12. Try $\lambda = 10$

Pick (say) $\theta^{(5)}$. Test error:

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Bias/variance as a function of the regularization parameter λ

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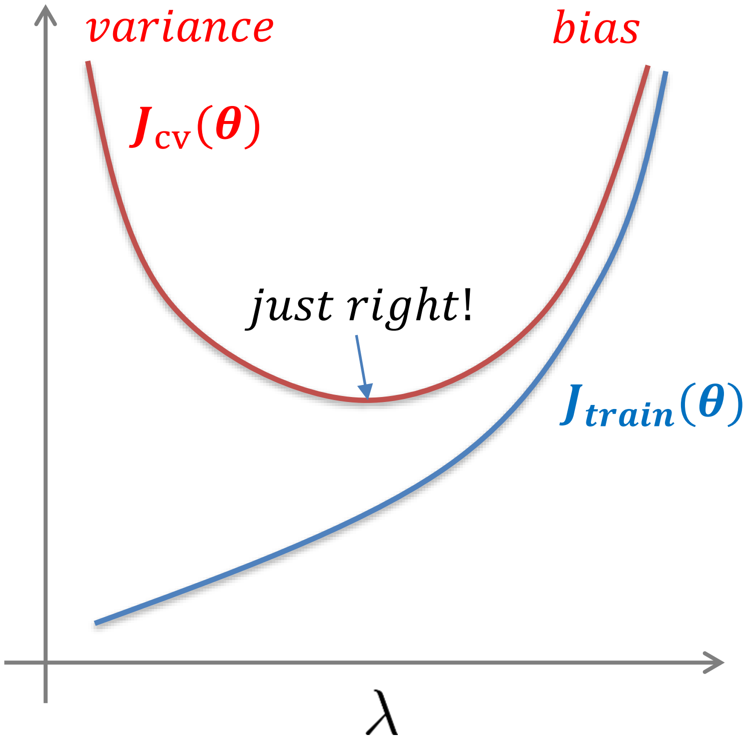

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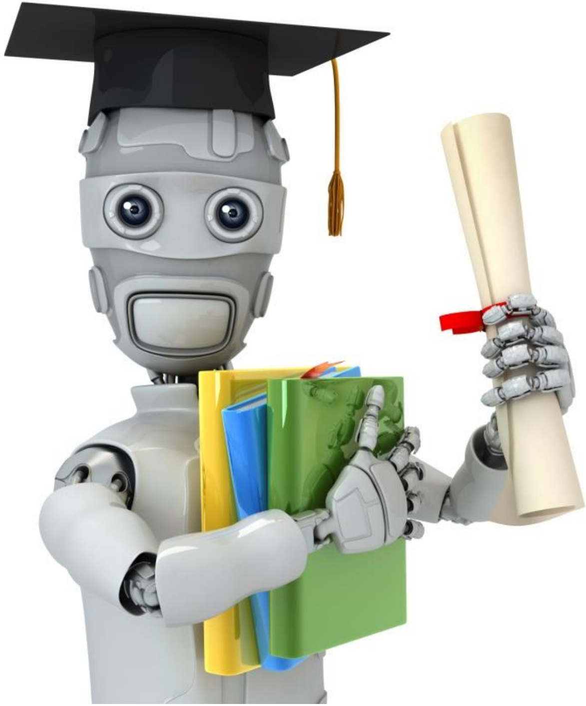

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Learning curves

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Learning curves

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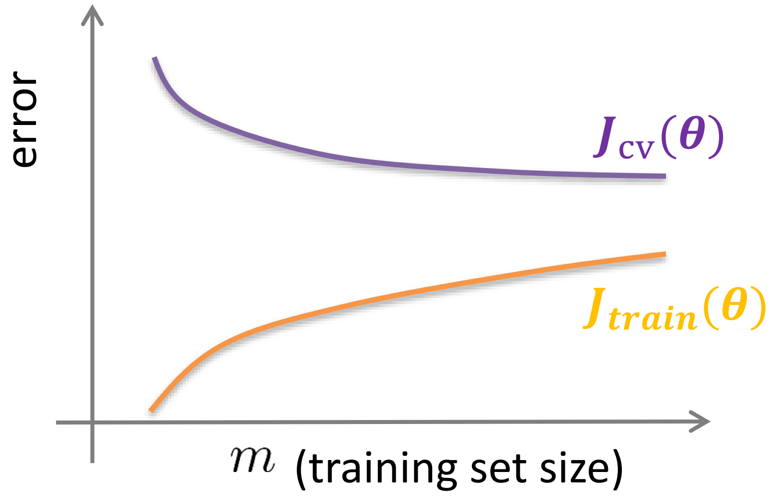
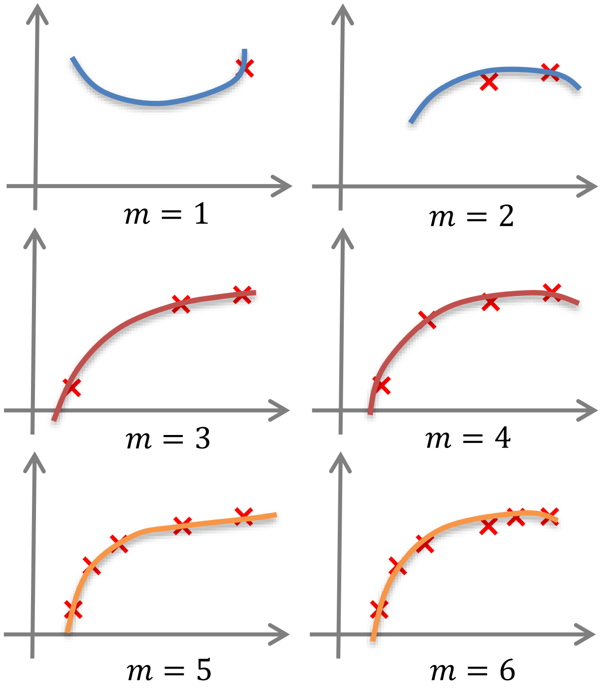


$$h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2$$



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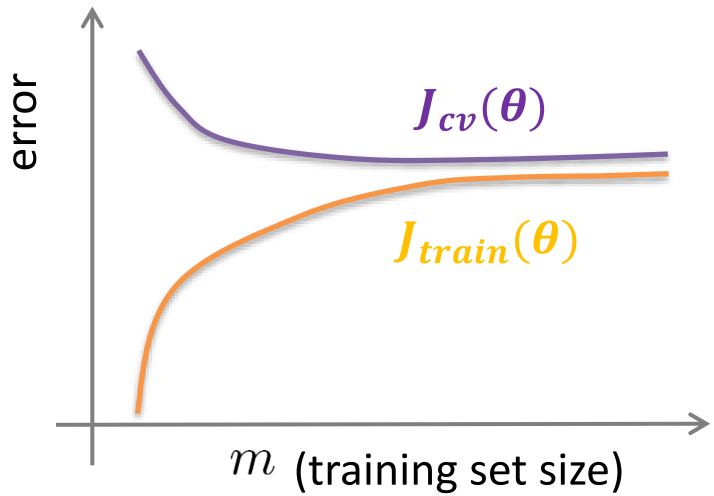
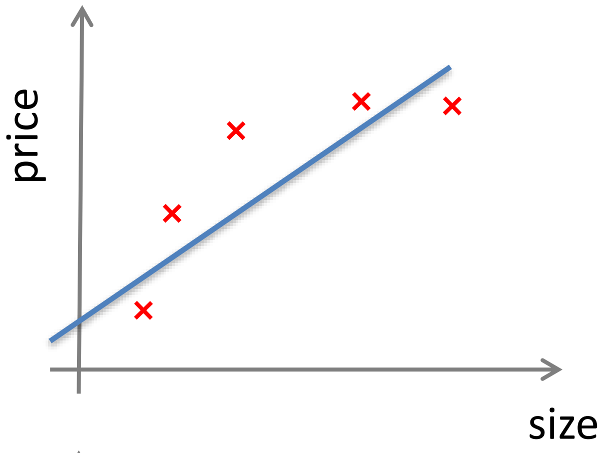
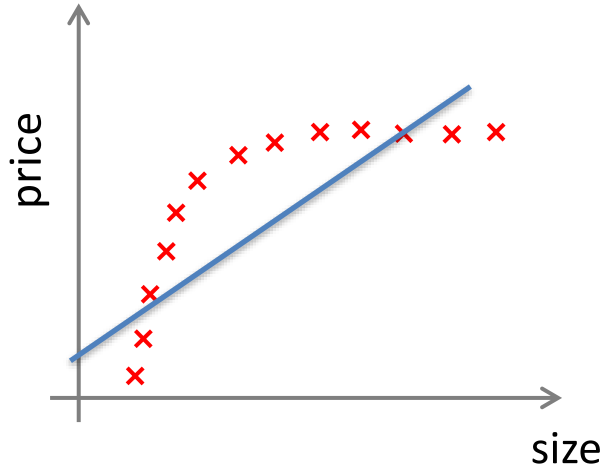
High bias



If a learning algorithm is suffering from high bias, getting more training data will not (by itself) help much.

$h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$

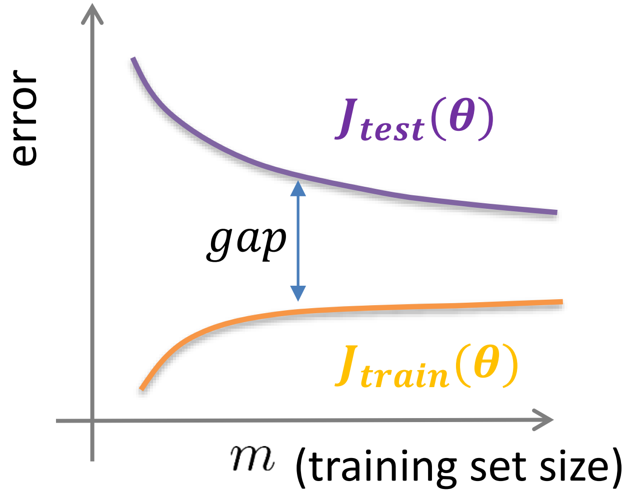


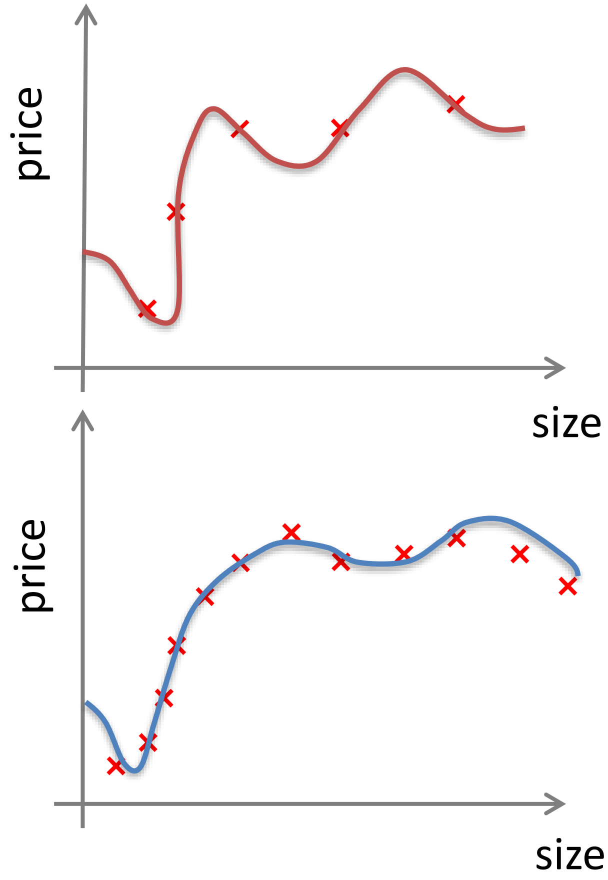


High variance

$$h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \cdots + \theta_{100} x^{100}$$

(and small λ)





If a learning algorithm is suffering from high variance, getting more training data is likely to help.

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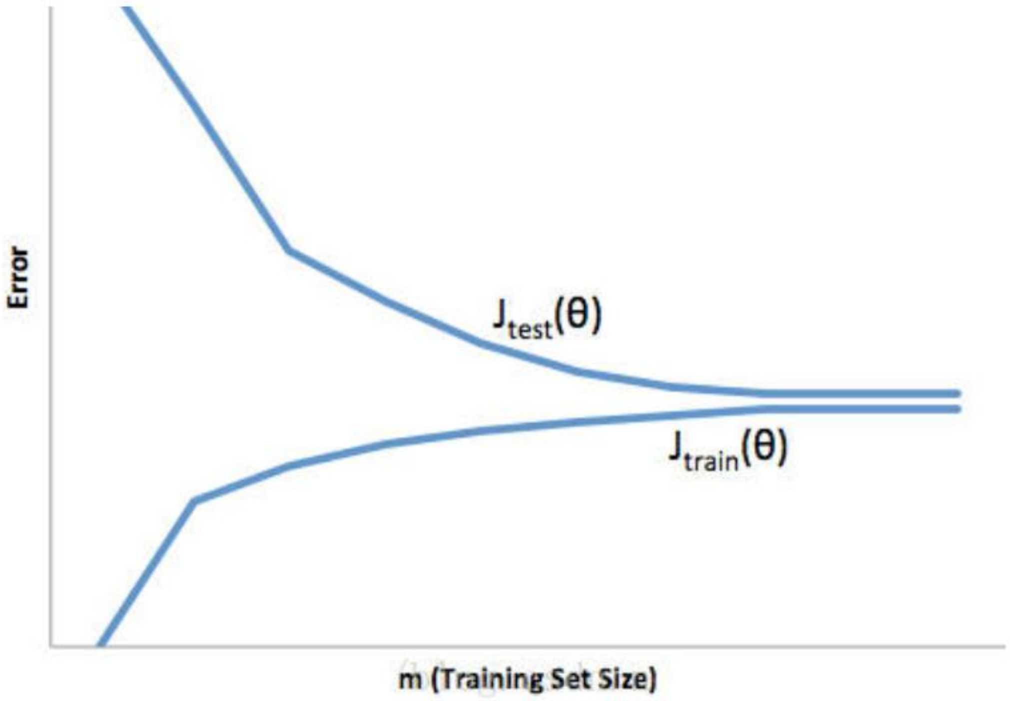
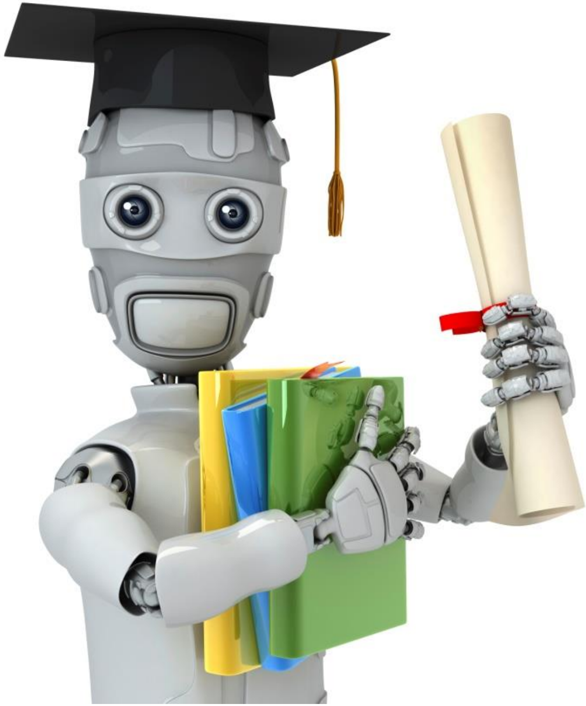
你训练一个学习算法，发现它在测试集上的误差很高。绘制学习曲线，并获得下图。算法是否存在高偏差、高方差或两者都不存在?



A. 高偏差 B. 高方差 C. 两者都不



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Deciding what to try next (revisited)

Debugging a learning algorithm:

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- Get more training examples $\longrightarrow$ $fixes\ high\ variance$
- Try smaller sets of features $\longrightarrow$ $fixes\ high\ variance$
- Try getting additional features $\longrightarrow$ $fixes\ high\ bias$
- Try adding polynomial features $(x_1^2, x_2^2, x_1 x_2, \text{etc})$ $\longrightarrow$ $fixes\ high\ bias$
- Try decreasing λ $\longrightarrow$ $fixes\ high\ bias$
- Try increasing λ $\longrightarrow$ $fixes\ high\ variance$

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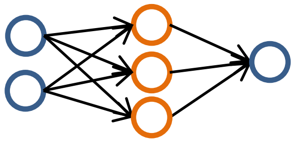
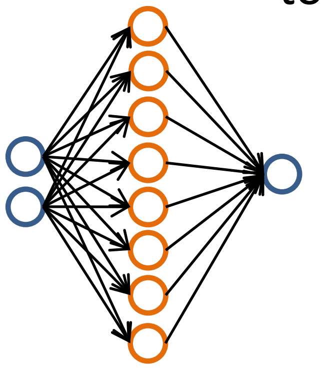
Neural networks and overfitting

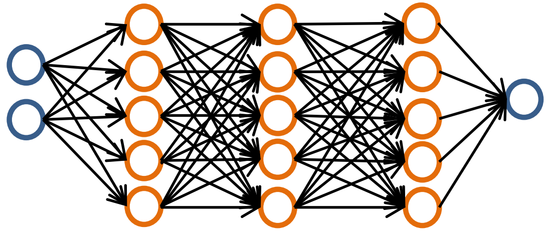
"Small" neural network
(fewer parameters; more
prone to underfitting)



Computationally cheaper

"Large" neural network
(more parameters; more prone
to overfitting)





Computationally more expensive.

Use regularization (λ) to address overfitting.

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