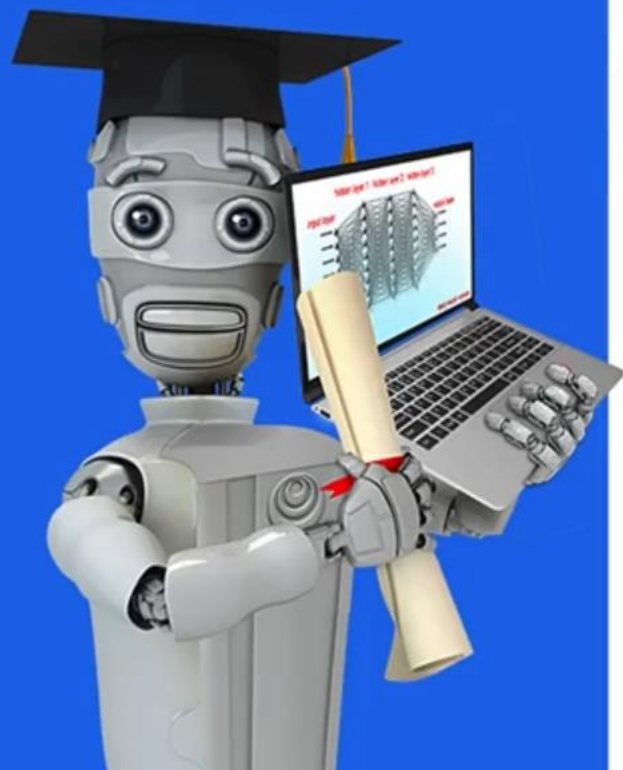


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Training Linear Regression

Learning Rate

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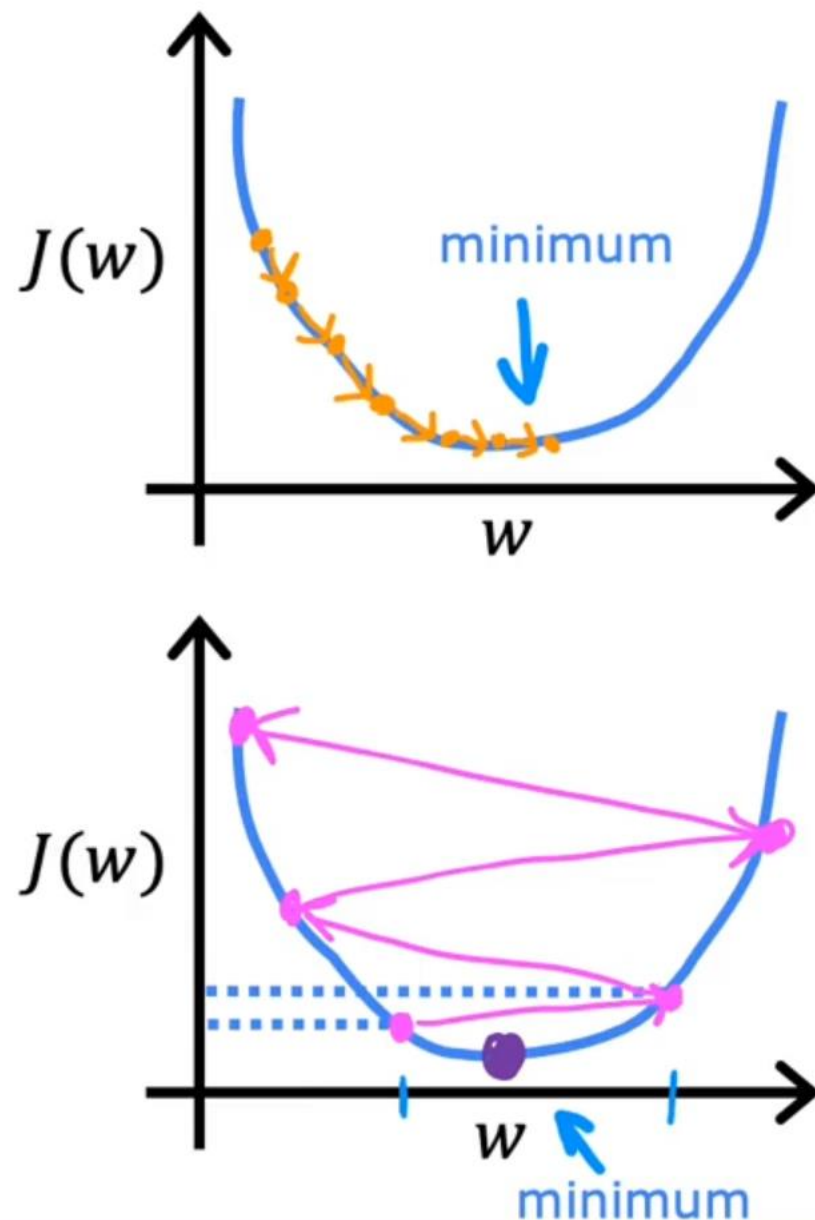
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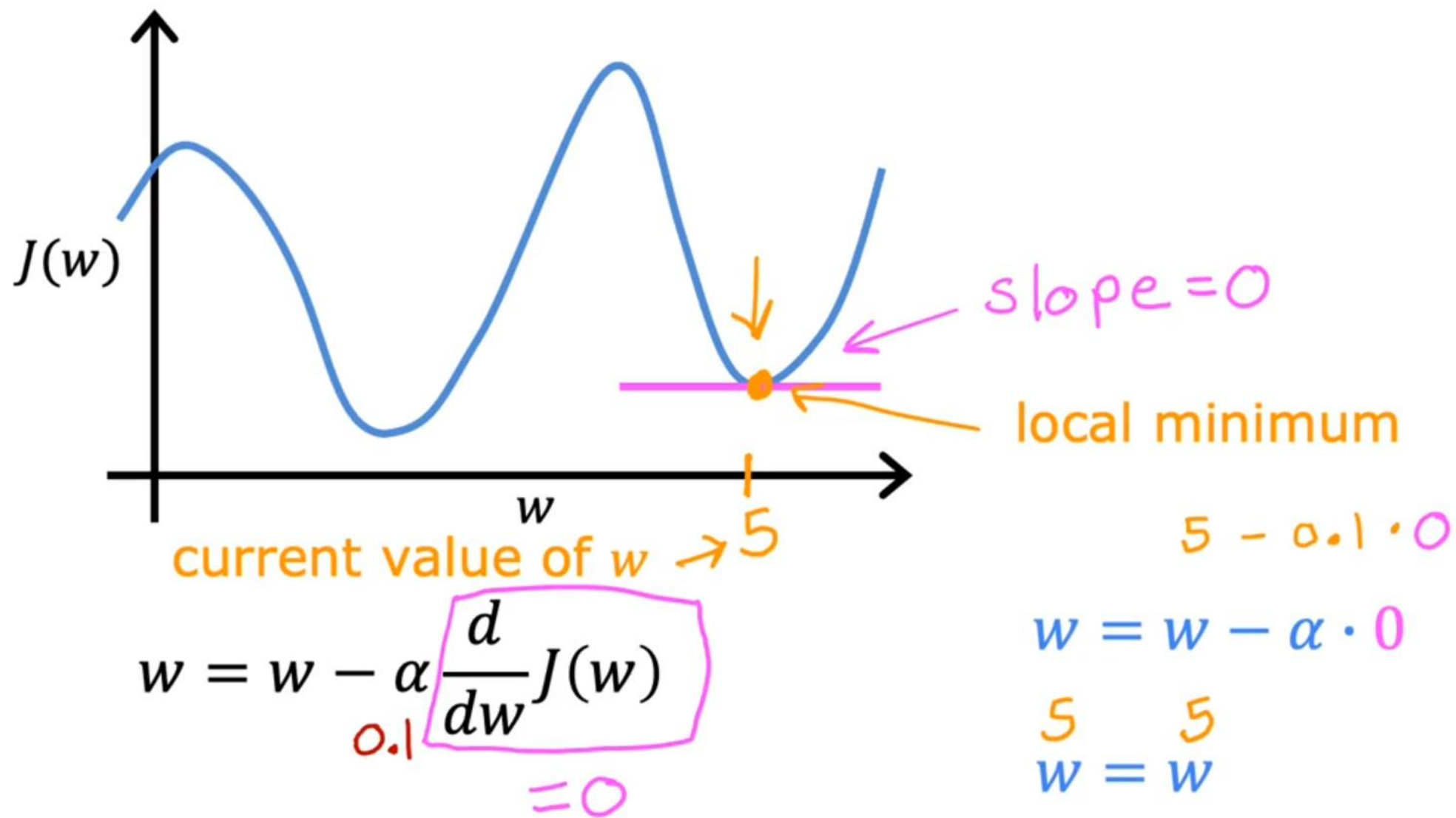
Gradient descent may be slow.

If α is too large...

Gradient descent may:

- Overshoot, never reach minimum
- Fail to converge, diverge





Can reach local minimum with fixed learning rate

α

$$w = w - \underbrace{\alpha}_{\text{smaller}} \underbrace{\frac{d}{dw} J(w)}_{\text{not as large}} \underbrace{J(w)}_{\text{large}}$$

Near a local minimum,

- Derivative becomes smaller
- Update steps become smaller

Can reach minimum without decreasing learning rate α

