

# **Machine, Data and Learning**

## **Assignment-2**

### **Report**

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Task: 1,2 – Pics attached

Task: 3,4,5 – Have been done in this report  
with screenshots and graphs

Other graphs have been attached at the  
end of the report.

## Task 1: Gradient Descent

Task 1) Gradient Descent - It is an optimization algo used to find the coefficients (slope & intercept) in a linear regression model.

(a) For one independent & one ~~independent~~ dependent variable,

$$\hat{y} = w_1 x + w_0$$

$\downarrow$  parameter       $\downarrow$  bias

$x$ : independent var.  
 $\hat{y}$ : dependent variable

$w_0$  &  $w_1$   $\propto$  fitness ~~model~~ of model

Thus we define loss function to measure fitness of model <sup>with</sup> least sq. error.

$$J(w_0, w_1) = \left( \sum_{n=1}^N y^n - f(x^{(n)}; w_0, w_1) \right)^2 \frac{1}{N}$$

Minimizing loss function  $\propto$  model fit goodness

Thus target is to minimize loss function

$\Rightarrow \exists w_0, w_1$  for which  $J(w_0, w_1)$  is least.

Now we use gradient descent to find  $w_0, w_1$ ,

i) Let us assume  $w_0 = 0$  &  $w_1 = 0$ .

ii) Calculate descent of loss function w.r.t.  $w_0, w_1$ .

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_0} = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N (x^{(n)} - y^{(n)}) \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_1} = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N (x^{(n)} - y^{(n)}) x^{(n)} \right)$$

iii) The algo now takes a learning rate say  $\alpha$ .

iv) This learning rate switches further in off. the gradient by updating parameter in following way.

$$w_1(n+1) = w_1(n) - \alpha \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1}$$

$$w_0(n+1) = w_0(n) - \alpha \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_0}$$

v) The algo stops by comparing the value & previous value of loss function if

a) value decrease less than that for a set no. of iteration

b) ~~val~~ val increase for a set no. of iteration

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v) The algo can also stop after a desirable no. of iterations are completed.

At the end of algo, we have our desired value of  $w_0, w$ ,

(4) For multiple independent variable & single dependent variable,

$$\hat{y} = w_0 + \sum_{n=1}^D (w_n x_n)$$

$$\hat{y} = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_D; w_0, w_1, \dots, w_D) \quad \text{where } D > 1$$

Let  $x_0 = 1$

$\Rightarrow w_0$  becomes bias

$$\underline{w'} = [w_0 \dots w_D]^T \quad \underline{x} = [1 \ x_1 \ \dots \ x_D]^T$$

Let's write the loss of function of above model -

$$J(\underline{w'}) = \left( \sum_{n=1}^N (y^{(n)} - \hat{y}(\underline{x}^{(n)}))^2 \right) \cdot 1/N$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N (y^{(n)} - (w_0 + w_1 x_1^{(n)} + \dots + w_D x_D^{(n)}))^2 \right)$$

to optimize,  $J(\underline{w'})$  we need to  $\left( \frac{\partial J(\underline{w'})}{\partial w_0} \right), \left( \frac{\partial J(\underline{w'})}{\partial w_1} \right),$

$$\dots \frac{\partial J(\underline{w'})}{\partial w_D} \text{ minimize them}$$

Repeats for  $D$  dimension,

$$w_0 \leftarrow w_0 - \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_0}$$

$$w_D \leftarrow w_D - \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_D}$$

$\Rightarrow$  can be written in matrix

$$\underline{w'} \leftarrow \underline{w'} - \frac{\partial J}{\partial \underline{w'}}$$

$\Rightarrow [w_0, w_1, \dots, w_D]^T = \underline{w'}$  becomes ~~scalar~~ vector, as above case, then applying partial derivatives give above sys. of eq.

## Task 2: Numerical on Bias and Variance

Task 2  $x: [-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3]$   
 $y: [5, 0, 1, 4, 9, 25] \rightarrow \text{True val.}$

Model-1  $f(x_1) = 2x^2 + 3x + 1$   
 $\hat{y}_1: [3, 0, 1, 6, 15, 26]$

Model-2  $f(x_2) = x^2 + 3x$   
 $\hat{y}_2: [-2, -2, 0, 4, 10, 18]$

Model-3  $f(x_3) = 2x^2 + 2x + 1$   
 $\hat{y}_3: [5, 1, 1, 5, 13, 25]$

Bias calculation  $\rightarrow \text{Bias} = E_x[f(x)] - f(x)$  for all models  
 $\text{Bias}^2 = E_x[\text{Bias}]$  for all values of  $x$ .

$\text{Bias}(-2) = -3$ ,  $\text{Bias}(-1) = \frac{-1}{3} = -0.33$

$\text{Bias}(0) = -\frac{1}{3} = -0.33$ ,  $\text{Bias}(1) = 1$ ,  $\text{Bias}(2) = 1.66$

$\text{Bias}(3) = 1.66$  (on calculator)

$E_x[\text{Bias}^2] = \left( \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + 1^2 + (-3)^2 \right) \times \frac{1}{6}$   
 $= \boxed{2.67}$

MSE calculation  $\rightarrow \text{MSE} = E_x (y - f(x))^2$  calculate for all models

$\text{MSE}(-2) = \left( (5-3)^2 + (5-(-2))^2 + (5-5)^2 \right) / 3 = 17.67$

$\text{MSE}(-1) = 1.67$

$\text{MSE}(0) = 0.33$

$$MSE(1) = 1.67, \quad MSE(2) = 7, \quad MSE(3) = 20.33$$

$$MSE = E_x [MSE] \rightarrow \text{for all data points} \\ = 9.11$$

Varia calculate:  $Var = E_i (\beta(x_i) - E_i(\beta(x_i))^2)$  for all models

$$Var(-2) = \frac{(-3-2)^2 + (-2-2)^2 + (5-2)^2}{3} = 2.67$$

Similarly,

$$Var(-1) = 1.56, \quad Var(0) = 0.23, \quad Var(1) = 0.67$$

$$Var(2) = 4.23, \quad Var(3) = 17.56$$

$$Var = E_x [Var] \text{ for all data points} \\ = 5.40$$

$$MSE = Var + Bias^2$$

$$\rightarrow E_x [MSE] = E_x [Bias^2] + E_x [Var]$$

$$\boxed{9.11 = 2.67 + 5.40}$$

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## Task 3: Calculating Bias and Variance

Here are the tabulated Model bias and variance for different degree of function classes:

Degree	Bias	Variance
1	0.8198783140094406	0.036492098415394934
2	0.8097155830233209	0.0817271838970644
3	0.07562863446829068	0.06612970576633166
4	0.09529258512650378	0.10953973025472619
5	0.08766792088742666	0.15777251592072294
6	0.09049667217212096	0.1718743527217831
7	0.10687837086680448	0.22107082193244593
8	0.13512728406586505	0.19228827413916486
9	0.20469766512030113	0.18139456328772088
10	0.33922453890619	0.1864299551931788

### Bias:

Bias measures how far off the predictions of the model are from the true values. A high bias indicates that the model is too simplistic and cannot capture the underlying patterns in the data.

As we increase the complexity of the model (e.g., by increasing the degree of polynomial functions), the bias generally decreases. This is because more complex models have the flexibility to fit the data more closely, reducing the error due to bias.

However, beyond a certain point, increasing the complexity too much can lead to overfitting, where the model fits the training data too closely and fails to generalize well to unseen data. This can result in an increase in bias for very high degrees of polynomials.

### Variance:

Variance measures the variability of the model's predictions for different training sets. A high variance indicates that the model is sensitive to small fluctuations in the training data.

As we increase the complexity of the model, the variance generally increases. This is because more complex models have more parameters and are capable of capturing intricate patterns in the training data.

However, increasing the complexity too much can lead to overfitting, causing the model to learn noise in the training data and resulting in high variance. This means that the model performs well on the training data but poorly on unseen data.

## Task 4: Calculating Irreducible Error

Degree	Irreducible Error
1	2.3245294578089216e-17
2	2.480654570646834e-16
3	2.463307335887066e-17
4	8.465450562766818e-17
5	1.4224732503009818e-16
6	3.8857805861880476e-17
7	2.3592239273284576e-16
8	1.9151347174783951e-16
9	3.3584246494910984e-16
10	1.1102230246251566e-17

### Irreducible error:

Irreducible error remains constant regardless of how complex the model becomes. It represents the inherent randomness or noise in the data that cannot be eliminated by any model. Increasing the complexity of the model may reduce bias and increase variance, but it cannot reduce the irreducible error. It serves as a fundamental limit on the performance of any model and underscores the importance of understanding and accounting for data uncertainty in predictive modelling.

## Task 5: Plotting Bias<sup>2</sup> - Variance Graph

The bias-variance trade-off is a balance between a model's ability to fit data well and its ability to work with new data. A model can be too simple, making it not work well with data (high bias), or too complex, making it only work well with specific data (high variance). The perfect model is balanced between bias and variance, and depends on the type of data.

### Underfitting:

When the model is too simple and has high bias, it may underfit the data, and the total error is high. This is shown on the plot as a high bias<sup>2</sup> and low variance. Underfitting

occurs when the model is not complex enough to capture the patterns in the data, and it generalizes poorly to new data.

In our data, the underfitting seems to happen at degree 1 and 2 (approximately), as the model is not able to determine correctly the values of prediction (from prediction-original graph for each degree), and there is a high error.

### Overfitting:

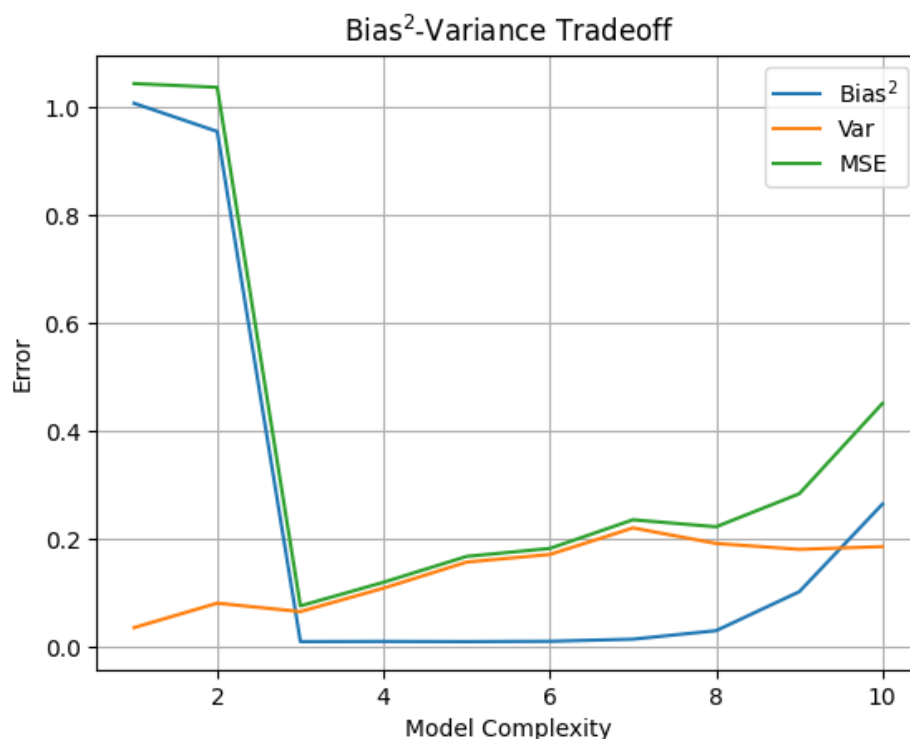
When the model is too complex and has high variance, it may overfit the data, and the total error is high. This is shown on the plot as a low bias<sup>2</sup> and high variance. Overfitting occurs when the model captures noise in the training data and does not generalize well to new data.

In our data, the overfitting seems to happen after degree 8 (approximately), as the model is not able to correctly determine the values, and rather is trying to over-generalize the given test data.

### Type of Data:

From the plot of Bias<sup>2</sup>-Variance, we can see that as the degree of the polynomial model increases, the bias initially decreases, while the variance initially increases and then starts to increase rapidly. For higher degrees of polynomial model, we see that the bias starts to increase, while the variance increases even more rapidly. Also, the irreducible error almost remains constant, except when the value of variance rises sharply.

This mostly implies that data is relatively simple, and that the optimal degree of polynomial model is somewhere around degree 5, where the bias and variance are both relatively low, and the mean squared error (MSE) is also relatively low.





## Other Graphs:

