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1. Which of the following can address overfitting?

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☒ Collect more training data✔ **Correct**

If the model trains on more data, it may generalize better to new examples.

☒ Select a subset of the more relevant features.✔ **Correct**

If the model trains on the more relevant features, and not on the less useful features, it may generalize better to new examples.

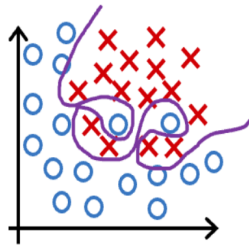
☒ Apply regularization✔ **Correct**

Regularization is used to reduce overfitting.

☐ Remove a random set of training examples

2. You fit logistic regression with polynomial features to a dataset, and your model looks like this.

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What would you conclude? (Pick one)

☐ The model has high variance (overfit). Thus, adding data is, by itself, unlikely to help much.☐ The model has high bias (underfit). Thus, adding data is, by itself, unlikely to help much.☒ The model has high variance (overfit). Thus, adding data is likely to help☐ The model has high bias (underfit). Thus, adding data is likely to help✔ **Correct**

The model has high variance (it overfits the training data). Adding data (more training examples) can help.

### 3. Regularization

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$$\min_{\vec{w}, b} J(\vec{w}, b) = \min_{\vec{w}, b} \left[ \overbrace{\frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (f_{\vec{w}, b}(\vec{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2}^{\text{mean squared error}} + \overbrace{\frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n w_j^2}^{\text{regularization term}} \right]$$

Suppose you have a regularized linear regression model. If you increase the regularization parameter  $\lambda$ , what do you expect to happen to the parameters  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$ ?

- ☒ This will reduce the size of the parameters  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$
- ☐ This will increase the size of the parameters  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$

✓ Correct

Regularization reduces overfitting by reducing the size of the parameters  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$ .