4741 Bias and Variance HW 4, Question 4 Aman jain (aj644@cornell.edu)

a)

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In [1]: using Plots using Statistics
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Suppose we have a sinusoid function

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In [2]: f(x) = 10*sin.(x)
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Out[2]: f (generic function with 1 method)

Our dataset $\mathcal D$ will consist of seven datapoints drawn from the following probabilistic model.

For each datapoint we randomly draw x_i uniformly in [0,6] and observe a noisy $y_i = f(x_i) + \epsilon_i$, where ϵ_i is some noise drawn from a standard normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$.

Generate a sample dataset from this distribution.

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In [3]: using Random
d = 6*rand()
d
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Out[3]: 0.6742295554456206

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In [4]: h = [[1,3],[4,5]]
h[1][1]
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Out[4]: 1

Plot the dataset \mathcal{D} and the true function f(x).

Out[6]: plotfunc first

Out[7]: plotfunc

b)

Fit a linear model to \mathcal{D}

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In [8]: X = [D[:,1] ones(7)]
    y = D[:,2]
    w = X\y

Out[8]: 2-element Array{Float64,1}:
        -4.11675745451897
        13.775034178463931

In [9]: function 1(x)
        y_pred = [x 1]w
        return( y_pred[1])
    end

Out[9]: 1 (generic function with 1 method)

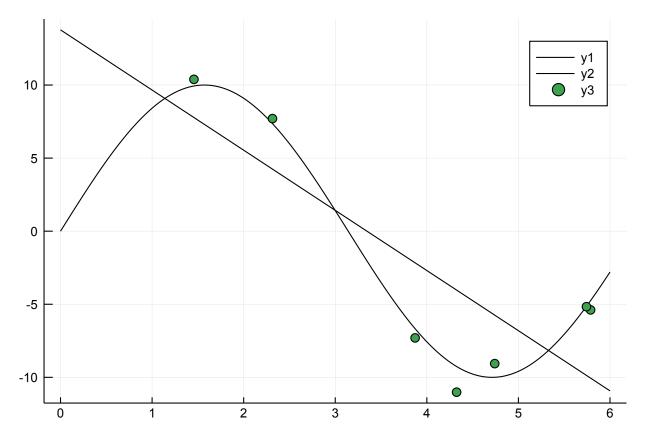
In [10]: 1(0.5)

Out[10]: 11.716655451204446
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Plot the linear model l(x) together with \mathcal{D} and f(x). Feel free to use our method plotfunc(f).



Out[11]:



c)

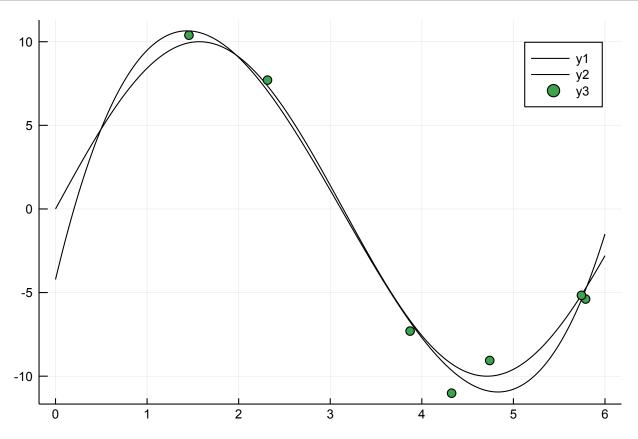
Fit a cubic model c(x) to ${\mathcal D}$

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In [12]: # first, construct a Vandermonde matrix
         max order = 3
         x = D[:,1]
         V = zeros(n, max order+1)
          for k=0:max order
              V[:,k+1] = x.^k
          end
         # solve least squares problem
         w c = V \setminus D[:,2]
         W C
Out[12]: 4-element Array{Float64,1}:
           -4.21835236453993
           22.981019642056605
          -10.378989661685075
             1.1040788162896285
In [13]:
         function c(x; order = max order, w = w c)
              y = 0
              for k=0:order
                  y += w[k+1]*x^k
              end
              return y
          end
Out[13]: c (generic function with 1 method)
In [14]: c(0.5)
Out[14]: 4.815419893103307
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Plot the cubic model with \mathcal{D} and f(x)

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In [15]: plotfunc_first(c)
    plotfunc(f)
    scatter!(D[:,1],D[:,2])
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Out[15]:



d)

Repat the parts (b) and (c) for 1000 different sets \mathcal{D} . Compute \bar{l} and \bar{c} , the average linear and average cubic models. (Please name \bar{l} as I_avg(x) and \bar{c} as c_avg(x) in following codes)

```
In [16]: max iter = 1000
         w l bar_all_iter = zeros((2, max_iter))
         for j = 1:max iter
              D l bar = zeros((n, 2))
              for i = 1:n
                  D \mid bar[i,1] = 6*rand()
                  D_l_{bar}[i,2] = f(D_l_{bar}[i,1]) + randn() # yi = f(xi) + \epsilon i
              end
             X_1_{bar} = [D_1_{bar}; 1] ones(7)]
             y_l_bar = D_l_bar[:,2]
             w l iter = X l bar\y l bar
             w l bar all iter[:,j] = w l iter
         end
         w l bar all iter
Out[16]: 2×1000 Array{Float64,2}:
          -5.54828 -4.94422 -1.68622 -5.32331 ... -4.4278 -4.01315 -4.7377
          18.2672
                   16.1442
                                2.00356 19.207 13.8299 11.1007
                                                                           14.052
In [17]: w l avg = mean(w l bar all iter, dims=2)
Out[17]: 2×1 Array{Float64,2}:
          -3.6639131625395844
          11.162068365196964
         function 1 avg(x)
In [18]:
              y \text{ pred} = [x 1]w 1 avg
              return( y pred[1])
         end
Out[18]: 1 avg (generic function with 1 method)
In [19]: | 1 avg(0.5)
Out[19]: 9.330111783927173
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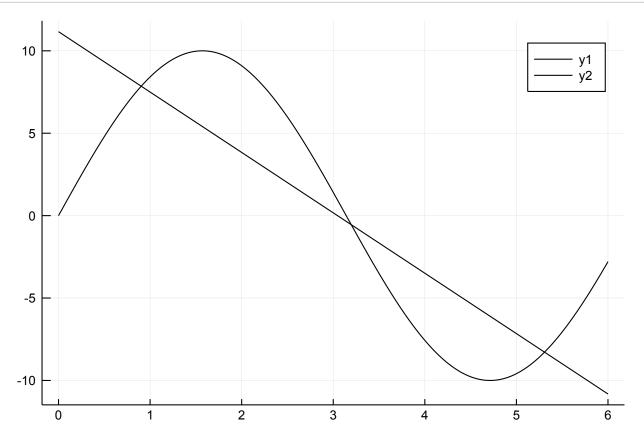
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In [20]: max iter = 1000
         max order = 3
         w c bar all iter = zeros((4, max iter))
         n = 7
         for j = 1:max iter
             D_c_{bar} = zeros((n, 2))
              for i = 1:n
                  D_c_{bar}[i,1] = 6*rand()
                  D c bar[i,2] = f(D c bar[i,1])+randn() # yi = f(xi) + \epsilon i
             end
             x = D c bar[:,1]
             #print(x)
             V = zeros(n, max order+1)
             for k=0:max order
                  V[:,k+1] = x.^k
             end
             # solve least squares problem
             w c iter = V \setminus D c bar[:,2]
             #print(w_c_iter)
             #w c iter
             w c bar all iter[:,j] = w c iter
         end
         w_c_bar_all iter
Out[20]: 4×1000 Array{Float64,2}:
                      -2.87338 -3.32336 ... -2.56673
                                                          4.58324
                                                                      -6.82033
          -4.08815
          22.5895
                      22.4843
                                 20.152
                                              20.3015
                                                         11.9309
                                                                      26.6007
          -9.6757
                                                         -7.0215
                     -10.2223
                                              -9.237
                                                                     -11.9851
                                -9.36472
                       1.07941
           0.993027
                                 1.0218
                                              0.985538
                                                          0.813287
                                                                       1.33425
In [21]: w c avg = mean(w c bar all iter, dims=2)
Out[21]: 4×1 Array{Float64,2}:
          -2.9469356018885002
          20.817732508578587
          -9.434365022562043
           0.9902613312517625
In [22]: c_{avg}(x) = c(x; order = max_order, w = w c avg)
Out[22]: c avg (generic function with 1 method)
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In [23]: c_avg(0.5)
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Out[23]: 5.227122063166754

Plot \overline{l} together with f(x).

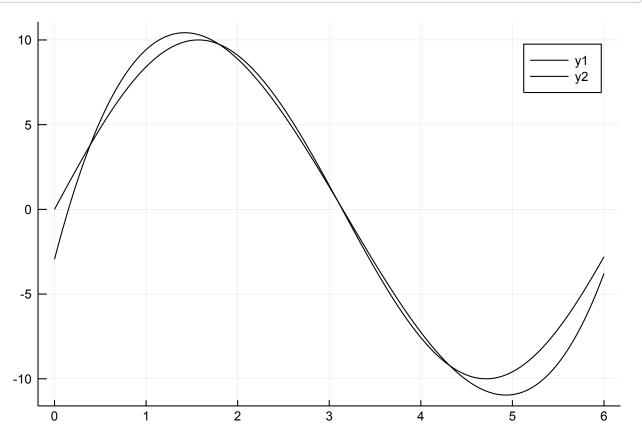
Out[24]:



Plot $\bar{c}(x)$ together with f(x).

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In [25]: plotfunc_first(c_avg)
    plotfunc(f)
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Out[25]:



e)

Compute the bias of \overline{l} . You can use our integrate function.

Out[26]: integrate (generic function with 1 method)

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In [27]: g_1(x) = (f(x) - 1_avg(x))^2
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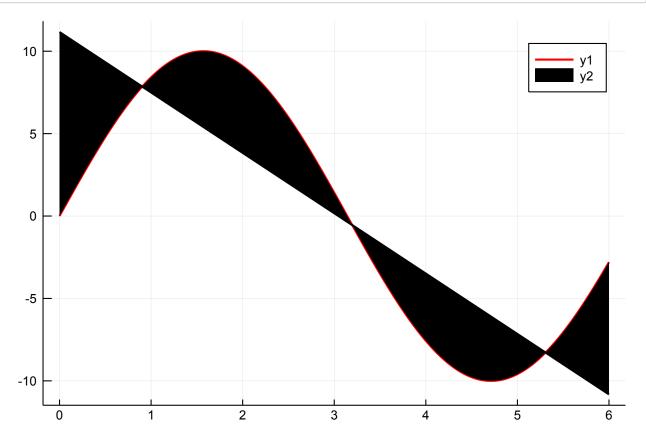
Out[27]: g_l (generic function with 1 method)

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In [28]: bias_l_bar = integrate(g_1,0,6)
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Out[28]: 103.88269898743333

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In [29]: x_range = range(0,stop=6,length=1000)
x = [x for x in x_range]
y = f(x)
y_2 = [l_avg(x) for x in x_range]
plot(x, y, color="red", linewidth=2.0)
plot!(x, y_2, fillrange=[y y_2], color="black", linewidth=2.0)
```

Out[29]:



Compute the bias of the cubic model $\bar{c}(x)$.

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In [30]: g_c(x) = (f(x) - c_avg(x))^2
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Out[30]: g_c (generic function with 1 method)

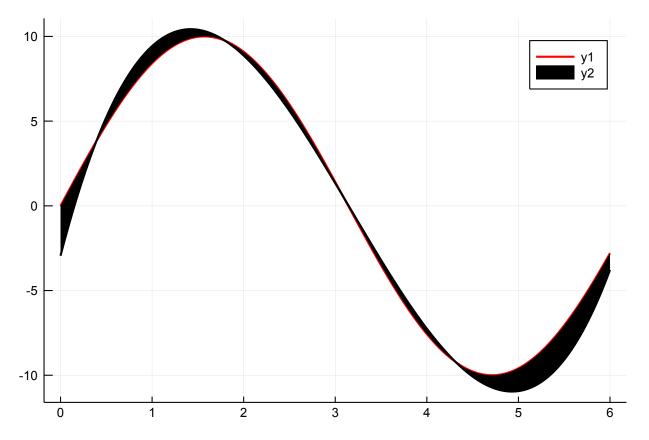
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In [31]: bias_c_bar = integrate(g_c,0,6)
```

Out[31]: 5.355579462582125

We can interpret the bias as how far off our averaged model is from the true function. One way to visually see this is by plotting $\bar{l}(x)$ with f(x) and color in their difference. Try out the plotting function below.

```
In [32]: x_range = range(0,stop=6,length=1000)
    x = [x for x in x_range]
    y = f(x)
    y_2 = [c_avg(x) for x in x_range]
    plot(x, y, color="red", linewidth=2.0)
    plot!(x, y_2, fillrange=[y y_2], color="black", linewidth=2.0)
    #plot!([x y_2], fillrange=[y y_2], fillalpha=0.3, c=:orange)
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Out[32]:



Which model has smaller bias?

Polynomial model has a smaller bias (of 4.6) as compared to Linear model (which has a bias of 104).



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Next compute the variance of the linear model.

Out[33]: 50.37938888279812

Compute the variance of the cubic model.

Out[34]: 426.55981691979196

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In [35]: tal_error_linear = variance_linear + bias_l_bar ## I am doing square wh:
   tal_error_cubic = variance_cubic + bias_c_bar
   int("Total linear error: ",total_error_linear,"Total cubic error: ",total

Total linear error: 154.26208787023145Total cubic error: 431.915396382
   37407
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Which model had higher variance? How do you interpret this? Which model has smaller overall error?

Cubic model has higher variance (426) as compared to linear model (50). Total error is high for cubic model (431) as compared to linear models (154).

This indicetes typical bias-variance tradeoff. Models with high values of bias (linear model in this case), undermine their training dataset (underfit) leading to not learn the trends in training dataset. consquently these models are simpler also. These models do not vary a great deal with change in training dataset.

High-variance are more complex and represent their training set well (at times overfit). However, these models are not able to handle random variation in test dataset and hence do not generalize well.

Ideally, one wants to choose a model with training error being low and generalize on out of set data as well - Alas! not easy to get there.

g)

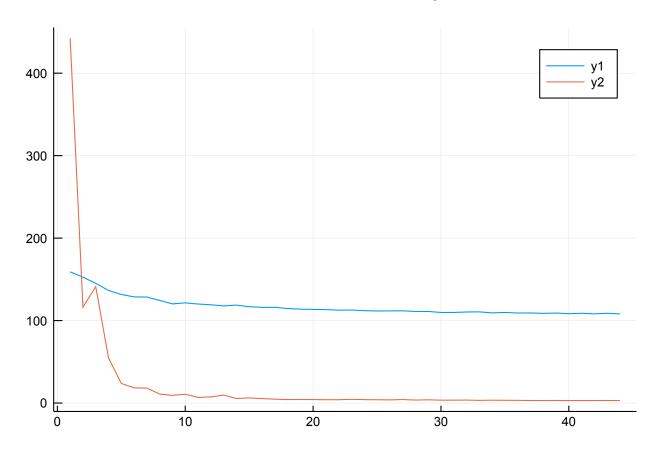
How do you think your results would depend on the number of points in the data set \mathcal{D} ? Feel free to perform an experiment to check. How many points would you need before the opposite model has smaller overall error?

```
Variance matrix = zeros((2,n iter))
Bias matrix = zeros((2, n iter))
total error matrix = zeros((2, n iter))
for n = n min:n max
    ## Linear model calculations start here
    w l bar all iter = zeros((2, max iter))
    w c bar all iter = zeros((4, max iter))
    for j = 1:max iter
        D bar = zeros((n, 2))
        for i = 1:n
            D bar[i,1] = 6*rand()
            D_bar[i,2] = f(D_bar[i,1]) + randn() # yi = f(xi) + \epsilon i
        end
        X l bar = [D_bar[:,1] ones(n)]
        y 1 bar = D bar[:,2]
        w l iter = X l bar\y l bar
        w l bar all iter[:,j] = w l iter
        b = D bar[:,1]
        V = zeros(n, max order+1)
        for k=0:max order
            V[:,k+1] = b.^k
        end
        w c iter = V\D bar[:,2]
        w c bar all iter[:,j] = w c iter
    end
    w l avg = mean(w l bar all iter, dims=2)
    Var 1 = 0
   Bias l = 0
    w c avg = mean(w c bar all iter, dims=2)
    Var c = 0
    Bias c = 0
    for k = 1:max iter
        X 1 = [x[k] 1]
        y jth model pred = X 1*w l bar all iter[:,k]
        y l avg pred = X 1*w l avg
        Var_l = Var_l + (y_jth_model_pred[1] - y_l_avg_pred[1])^2
        Bias l = Bias l + (f(x[k][1])-y l avg pred[1])^2
        X c = x[k]
        y_jth_model_pred = c(X_c, w=w_c_bar_all_iter[:,k])
        y_c_avg_pred = c(X_c, w=w_c_avg)
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Var c = Var_c + (y_jth_model_pred[1] - y_c_avg_pred[1])^2
        Bias_c = Bias_c + (f(x[k][1])-y_c_avg_pred[1])^2
    end
    Variance matrix[1, n-n min+1] = Var l*(6/max iter)
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                                                         ##integration fa
    Bias matrix[1,n-n min+1] = Bias l*(6/max iter)
    Variance matrix[2, n-n min+1] = Var c*(6/max iter)
    Bias matrix[2, n-n min+1] = Bias c*(6/max iter)
end
total_error_matrix = Variance_matrix + Bias_matrix
#print(Variance matrix)
#print(Bias matrix)
print(total error matrix[:,1:5])
plot(total error matrix[1,:])
plot!(total error matrix[2,:])
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[159.11809730300524 152.6357284653181 145.24229994630056 136.516953270 8011 131.68946169239317; 442.33623019159825 116.32572754368468 141.147 0892034337 54.70764400947264 23.785039529958958]

Out[36]:



As number of datapoints in D increases, bias comes down significantly. As n > 9, opposite model (in this case Cubic model) has lower total error than part (f). Errors for both models flattens out after 30 odd data points.

h)

Instead of sampling new data to compute the bias and variance of our model, we could use a bootstrap estimator to get more use out of the few data points we have. Try this for a few different data set sizes and report on your results. How big a data set is needed for the bootstrap to give a reliable estimate of the bias and variance?

Plan:

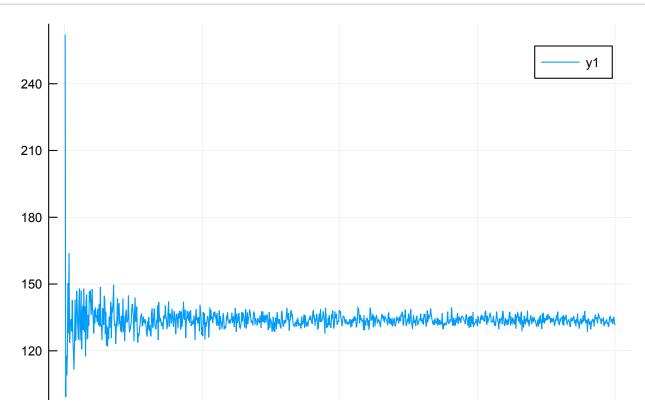
- 1. In order to understand how many data points are needed for a reliable measure of true error (which in trun will give reliable measures for bias and variance), I am going to take n =7 and plot mean error square ((y_pred-y_true)^2) for different values of K (bootstrap sample size). At some point of K, this error should flatten out which will give us a threshold for K.
- 2. Try exercise 1 for couple of different values of n.
- 3. Understanding the affect of n and K on Confidence intervals for w.

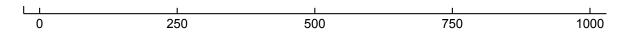
Note: I will be restricting this exercise of bootstrapping to linear models and look at variation of first cofficent of w in those models. Conclusions from this should hold for other models and other values of w as well.

Part 1 Mean error vs K (for n = 7)

```
for m = 1:Boot_Strap_Sample_Size_max
    loop error = 0
    for k = 1:m
        error = 0
        D = zeros((n h 1,2))
        for j = 1:n h 1
            u = rand(1:Sample size)
            D random point = Samples[u,:]
            #print(D random point)
            D[j,:] = D \text{ random point}
        end
        #print(D)
        X_1_{bar} = [D[:,1] ones(n_h_1)]
        y_1_bar = D[:,2]
        w l iter = X l bar\y l bar
        y pred = X l bar*w l avg
        #print(y pred)
        error = sum((y_pred-y_l_bar).^2)
        loop error = loop error + error
    Avg total Bootstrap error[m] = loop error/m
end
plot(Avg total Bootstrap error)
#true error plot = true error*ones(size(boot error))
#plot!(true error plot)
#size(true error)
#print(true error)
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Out[107]:





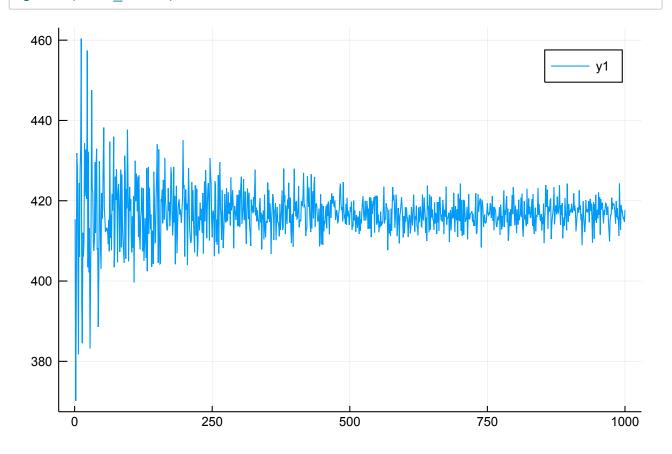
As we see above for about K =250, errors reduce in a constant range.

Part 2 Part 1 for n = 25,45, 60.

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In [109]: n h 1 = 25
          ## Generate a sample size of 500 points from which we will be drawing sa
          Sample size = 500
          Samples = zeros((Sample size, 2))
           for i = 1:Sample size
               Samples[i,1] = 6*rand()
               Samples[i,2] = f(Samples[i,1])+randn() # vi = f(xi) + \epsilon i
          end
          Boot Strap Sample Size max = 1000
          Avg total Bootstrap error = zeros(Boot Strap Sample Size max)
           for m = 1:Boot Strap Sample Size max
               loop error = 0
               for k = 1:m
                   error = 0
                   D = zeros((n h 1,2))
                   for j = 1:n h 1
                       u = rand(1:Sample size)
                       D random point = Samples[u,:]
                       #print(D random point)
                       D[j,:] = D \text{ random point}
                   end
                   #print(D)
                   X l_bar = [D[:,1] ones(n_h_1)]
                   y l bar = D[:,2]
                   w l iter = X l bar\y l bar
                   y_pred = X_l_bar*w_l_avg
                   #print(y pred)
                   error = sum((y_pred-y_l_bar).^2)
                   loop error = loop error + error
               end
               Avg_total_Bootstrap_error[m] = loop_error/m
          end
          plot(Avg total Bootstrap error)
          #true error plot = true error*ones(size(boot error))
           #plot!(true error plot)
           #size(true error)
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#print(true error)

Out[109]:

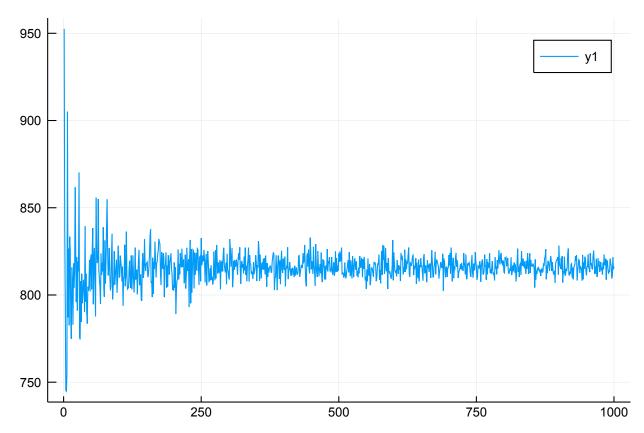


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n_h_1 = 45
In [111]:
           ## Generate a sample size of 500 points from which we will be drawing sa
           Sample size = 500
           Samples = zeros((Sample size, 2))
           for i = 1:Sample size
               Samples[i,1] = 6*rand()
               Samples[i,2] = f(Samples[i,1])+randn() # yi = f(xi) + \epsilon i
           end
          Boot Strap Sample Size max = 1000
          Avg_total_Bootstrap_error = zeros(Boot_Strap_Sample_Size_max)
           for m = 1:Boot Strap Sample Size max
               loop error = 0
               for k = 1:m
                   error = 0
                   D = zeros((n h 1,2))
                   for j = 1:n h 1
                       u = rand(1:Sample_size)
                       D random point = Samples[u,:]
                       #print(D random point)
                       D[j,:] = D_random_point
                   end
                   #print(D)
```

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X_l_bar = [D[:,1] ones(n_h_1)]
    y_l_bar = D[:,2]
    w_l_iter = X_l_bar\y_l_bar
    y_pred = X_l_bar*w_l_avg
    #print(y_pred)
    error = sum((y_pred-y_l_bar).^2)
    loop_error = loop_error + error
end
Avg_total_Bootstrap_error[m] = loop_error/m
end

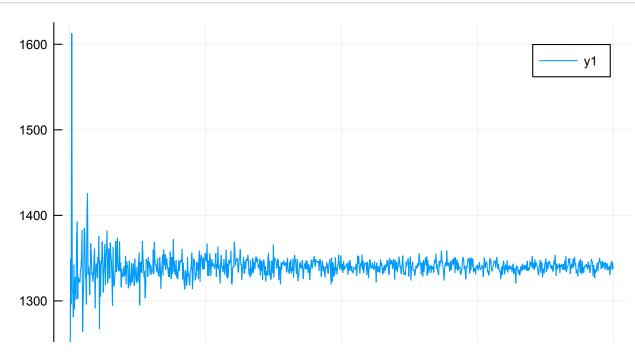
plot(Avg_total_Bootstrap_error)
#true_error_plot = true_error*ones(size(boot_error))
#plot!(true_error_plot)
#size(true_error)
#print(true_error)
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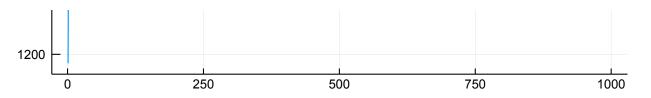
Out[111]:



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Boot Strap Sample Size max = 1000
Avg_total_Bootstrap_error = zeros(Boot_Strap_Sample_Size_max)
for m = 1:Boot Strap Sample Size max
    loop error = 0
    for k = 1:m
        error = 0
        D = zeros((n h 1,2))
        for j = 1:n h 1
            u = rand(1:Sample size)
            D_random_point = Samples[u,:]
            #print(D random point)
            D[j,:] = D random point
        end
        #print(D)
        X \ 1 \ bar = [D[:,1] \ ones(n \ h \ 1)]
        y l bar = D[:,2]
        w l iter = X l bar\y l bar
        y pred = X l bar*w l avg
        #print(y_pred)
        error = sum((y_pred-y_l_bar).^2)
        loop_error = loop_error + error
    end
    Avg_total_Bootstrap_error[m] = loop_error/m
end
plot(Avg total Bootstrap error)
#true error plot = true error*ones(size(boot error))
#plot!(true error plot)
#size(true error)
#print(true error)
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Out[112]:





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Part 3

We can borrow some learnings from part g, where we saw affect of size of dataset (n) on total error. Total errors flattens after a certain point (somewhere around n= 27).

We can further study impact of n on bootstrapping by taking three values of n. n = 7, 15, 25. Also I will be considering number of datapoints taken, k = 100.

Below we will be looking at the Confidence interval for each value of n. Half width for 95% Confidence interval should keep reducing as n increases.

```
In [37]: | n h = 35
         K = 1000
         max iter = K
         w l bar all_iter = zeros((2, max_iter))
         for j = 1:max iter
             D_l_bar = zeros((n_h, 2))
              for i = 1:n h
                  D l bar[i,1] = 6*rand()
                  D l bar[i,2] = f(D l bar[i,1])+randn() # yi = f(xi) + \epsilon i
             end
             X l bar = [D_l_bar[:,1] ones(n_h)]
             y l bar = D l bar[:,2]
             w l iter = X l bar\y l bar
             w l bar all iter[:,j] = w l iter
         end
         z = w_l_bar_all_iter[1,:] #first cofficent of w
         UB = mean(z) + 1.96*sqrt(var(z)/K) # 95% confidence interval
         LB = mean(z) - 1.96*sqrt(var(z)/K)
         print("n = ", n_h, "; k = ", K, "; Confidence interval = ", LB,",", UB,
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n = 35; k = 1000; Confidence interval = -3.518638495232864, -3.45718432 75311056; Half width = 0.0307270838508793

n = 7; k = 100; Confidence interval = -3.8342240783025403,-3.301831389430105; Half width = 0.26619634443621765

n = 15; k = 100; Confidence interval = -3.807226401341788,-3.4520754000707012; Half width = 0.17757550063554328

n = 25; k = 100; Confidence interval = -3.6357753693738997,-3.4047754358186473; Half width = 0.1154999667776262

n = 35; k = 100; Confidence interval = -3.5271356160037763,-3.3509984924327982; Half width = 0.08806856178548905

n = 100; k = 100; Confidence interval = -3.524302390585087,-3.4115248830183442; Half width = 0.05638875378337138

n = 35; k = 10; Confidence interval = -3.7530071105002247,-3.0721762268779265; Half width = 0.34041544181114913

n = 35; k = 50; Confidence interval = -3.588653833079747,-3.2770852642801134; Half width = 0.15578428439981673

n = 35; k = 100; Confidence interval = -3.6330291669220243,-3.4462648808811265; Half width = 0.0933821430204489

n = 35; k = 1000; Confidence interval = -3.5192832189851346,-3.457504226763966; Half width = 0.030889496110584336

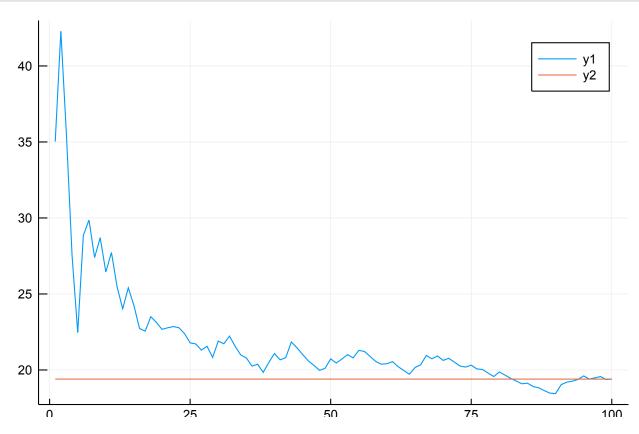
As we can see from above data points:

- 1. As n and k increases half width reduces, which means with more confidence we can locate true value of w[1].
- 2. this makes intuitive sense, as higher the K (number of samples withdrawn), more close the estimates will be to actual.
- 3. For our use case n = 25-35 and K~100 should give 95% confidence interval of half width within 1.5% of the mean can be achieved.

Rough Work

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end
X_l_bar = [D_l_bar[:,1] ones(n_h_1)]
y_l_bar = D_l_bar[:,2]
w_l_iter = X_l_bar y_l_bar
y_pred = X_l_bar*w_l_iter
error = (y_pred-y_l_bar).^2
true_error = sum((y_pred-y_l_bar).^2)/n_h_1
##Boot strapping
K_{\min} = 1
K_max = n_h_1
boot_error = zeros(n_h_1)
for i = K_min:K_max
    error_i = 0
    for j = 1:i
        u = rand(1:n h 1)
        error_i = error_i + error[j]
    end
    boot_error[i] = error_i/i
end
plot(boot_error)
true_error_plot = true_error*ones(size(boot_error))
plot!(true_error_plot)
#size(true error)
#print(true_error)
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Out[76]:



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In [71]: n_h_1 = 25
         K \min = 10
         K max = 1000
         true error = zeros(0)
          for j = K min:K max
              max iter = j
              w_l_bar_all_iter = zeros((2, max_iter))
              error = 0
              for j = 1:max iter
                  D l bar = zeros((n h 1, 2))
                  for i = 1:n h 1
                      D l bar[i,1] = 6*rand()
                      D 1 bar[i,2] = f(D 1 bar[i,1])+randn() # yi = f(xi) + \epsilon i
                  end
                  X \ 1 \ bar = [D \ 1 \ bar[:,1] \ ones(n \ h \ 1)]
                  y l bar = D l bar[:,2]
                  w_l_iter = X_l_bar\y_l_bar
                  y pred = X l bar*w l iter
                  error = error + sum((y_pred-y_l_bar).^2)
                  #print(error)
              end
              append!(true error, error/j)
         end
         plot(true error)
         UB = mean(true error) + 1.67*sqrt(var(true error)/(K max-K min)) # 95% c
         LB = mean(true_error) - 1.67*sqrt(var(true_error)/(K_max-K_min))
         UB plot = UB*ones(size(true error))
         LB plot = LB*ones(size(true error))
         plot!(UB plot)
         plot!(LB plot)
         \#print("n = ", n_h, "; k = ", K, "; Confidence interval = ", LB, ", ", UB,
         #size(true error)
         #print(true error)
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Out[71]:

