

8.  $\text{Var}(\hat{f}(x))$  is the reproducible error  
 $\epsilon$  is the irreducible error

9. use that  $\hat{f}(x_0) = \mathbb{E}[Y | X = x_0]$

that  $\text{Var}(\hat{f}(x_0)) + [\text{Bias}(\hat{f}(x_0))]^2$  goes to 0

that we get the left one term is  $\epsilon$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2] &= \mathbb{E}[(y_0 - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)] + \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)] - \hat{f}(x_0))^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(y_0 - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)])^2] + 2\mathbb{E}[(\hat{f}(x_0) - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)]) \cdot (\mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)] - y_0)] \\ &\quad + \mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)] - \hat{f}(x_0))^2]\end{aligned}$$

the middle term is:

$$\mathbb{E}[(\hat{f}(x_0) - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)]) \cdot (\mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)] - y_0)]$$

since  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)]$  and  $y_0$  are constants we can take  $\mathbb{E}$  inside that is

$$\underbrace{(\mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)] - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)]) \cdot (\mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)] - y_0)}$$

is 0

so the term comes out as 0

then the third term is  $\text{Variance}[\hat{f}(x_0)]$   
 so  $\mathbb{E}[(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2] = \text{Variance} + \mathbb{E}[(y_0 - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)])^2]$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{and } \mathbb{E}[(y_0 - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)])^2] &= \mathbb{E}[(f(x_0) + \varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)])^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\varepsilon^2] + \mathbb{E}[(f(x_0) - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)])^2] - 2(f(x_0) - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)]) \cdot \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon)\end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(x_0)$  and  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)]$  are constants, and  $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon) = 0$

$$= \text{Var}(\varepsilon) + \underbrace{(f(x_0) - \mathbb{E}[\hat{f}(x_0)])^2}_{(\text{bias})^2}$$

so that  $\mathbb{E}[(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2] = \text{Variance} + (\text{bias})^2 + \text{Var}(\varepsilon)$   
 QED