



Diagnóstico de Problemas en los Modelos

TC3006C



Dataset division (splitting)



Problems?

- Data selected usually has noise or randomness
- Randomness can be:
 - Explicit in the algorithm
 - Explicit in the selection of training data
 - Implicit in data
- Randomness produces variance (stochastic)
- **Model Variance:** every time we split a dataset, we usually get different accuracy results

Solution A - Repeat several times

Procedure

- Split dataset several times
- Register accuracy each time
- Record the average accuracy and standard deviation

Problems

- Some data instances may have not been selected
 - Either for training or testing
- Some other instances may have been selected several times
- May skew results

Solution B - Cross validation

- Create **folds**: split data into k subsets
- Each instance is used an equal number of times for testing and for training
- Train k times
 - Each time a different fold is used for testing
 - The other $k-1$ folds are used for training
- Useful when data is not large
 - With large data a "normal" split is enough

Example cross validation $k=5$



Solution B - Cross validation...

Advantages

- Gives an unbiased estimation of an algorithm's performance
- Helps to understand how the model is generalizing
- Helps in Hyperparameter Tuning

Disadvantages

- Increases training time
- Needs expensive computation
- Cross validation itself uses randomness

Solution C - Multiple Cross Validation

Procedure

- Run Cross Validation several times
- Record mean and standard deviation

Disadvantages

- Computationally expensive

Cross validation is for checking

- Cross validation allows us to check how good is our model for learning on a given dataset
- It helps to compare several models (for instance, kNN vs linear regression)
- Based on the result of cross validation, we can select the best model
- When building the final model, we use all our data for training

Bias, variance and fitting

Prediction Errors

Bias

- Difference between the real value to predict and the value being predicted
- Bias can be seen as error in test data
- Error introduced due to wrong assumptions made on nature of data
 - Assuming is linear when is quadratic
- High bias models:
 - Oversimplifies model
 - Not accurate with real data (misses data points)
 - Misses relations between target and features
 - Usually means underfitting

Variance

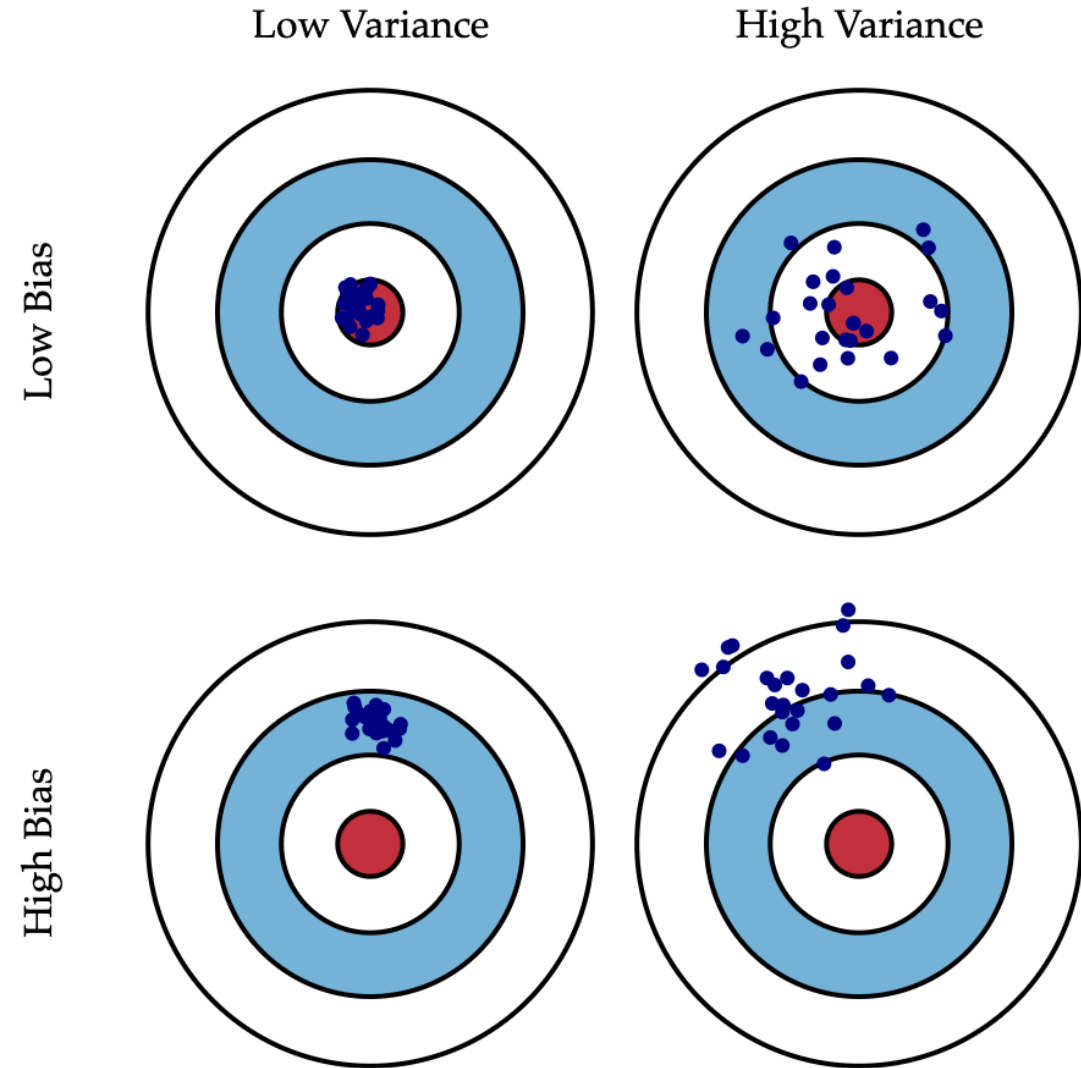
- Variability of a model prediction for a data point
- Shows how similar bias error is from sample to sample
- Can be seen as error in training data
- A very complex and sensitive to minor variations model usually has high variance
 - Example: high degree polynomial model
- High variance models:
 - Perform very well on training data
 - Performs poorly on unseen data (test data)
 - Focuses on noise (irrelevant relations)
 - Usually means overfitting



Bias vs Variance

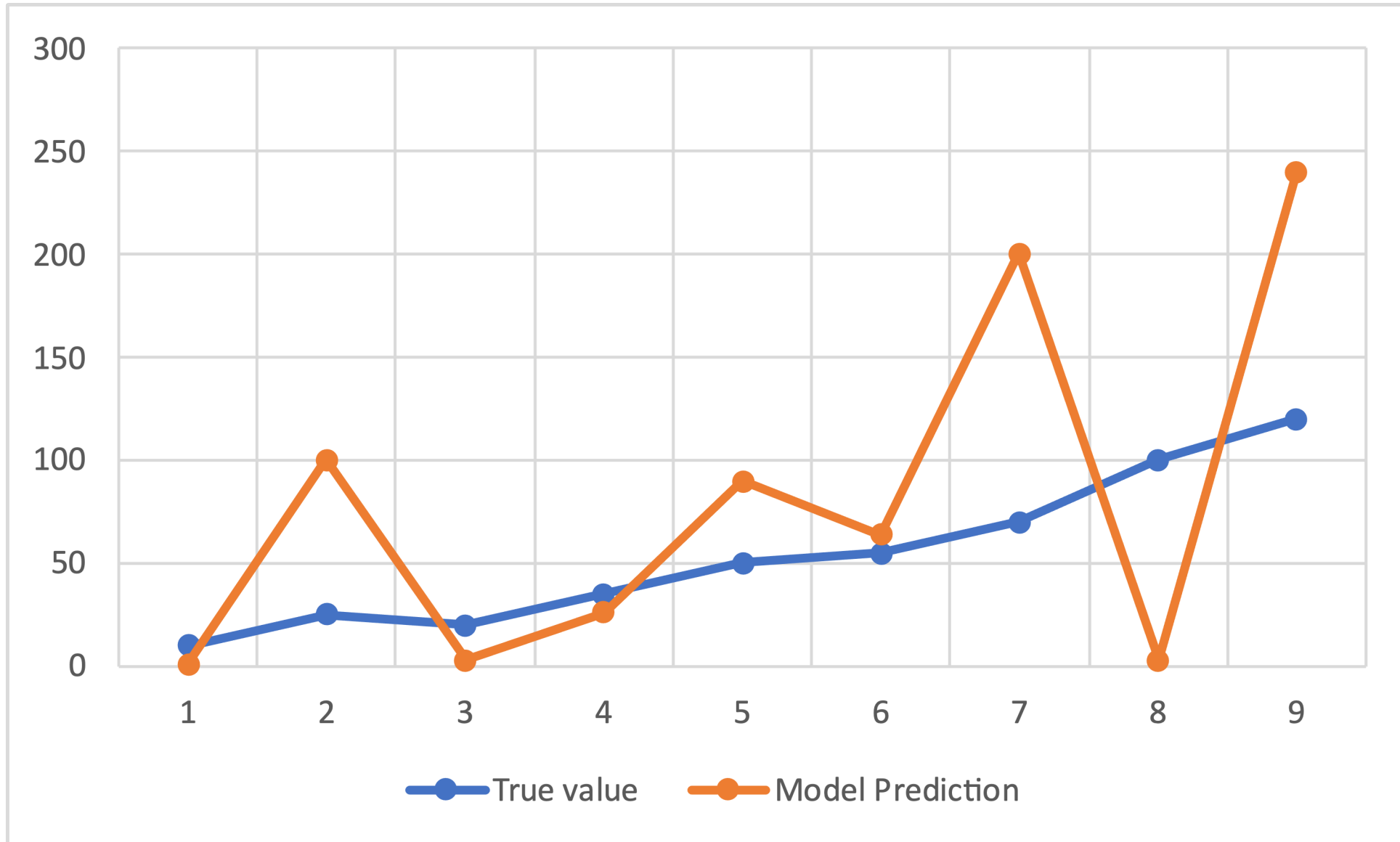
Fortmann-Roe's Analogy

$$Err(x) = Bias^2 + Variance + Irreducible Error$$

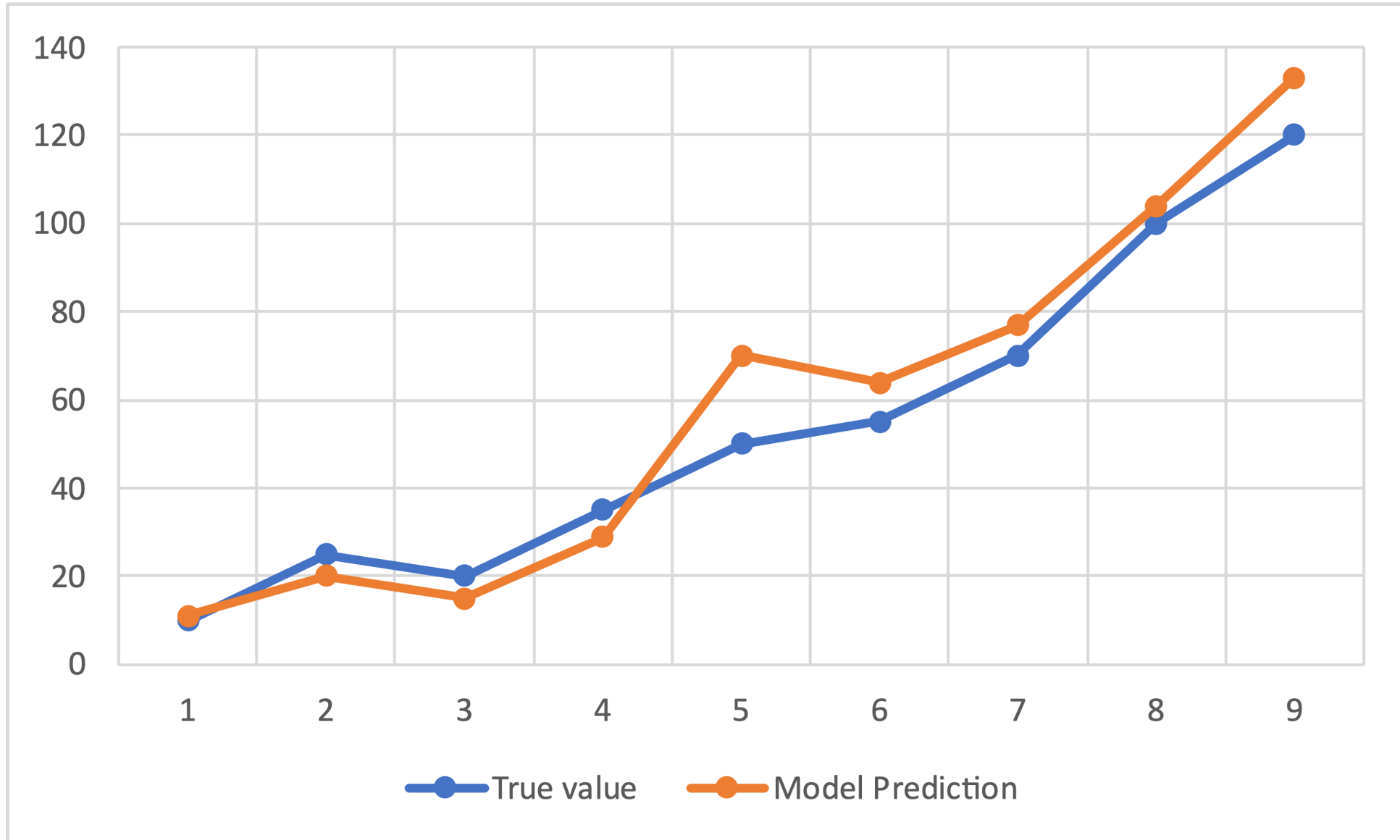


<http://scott.fortmann-roe.com/docs/BiasVariance.html>

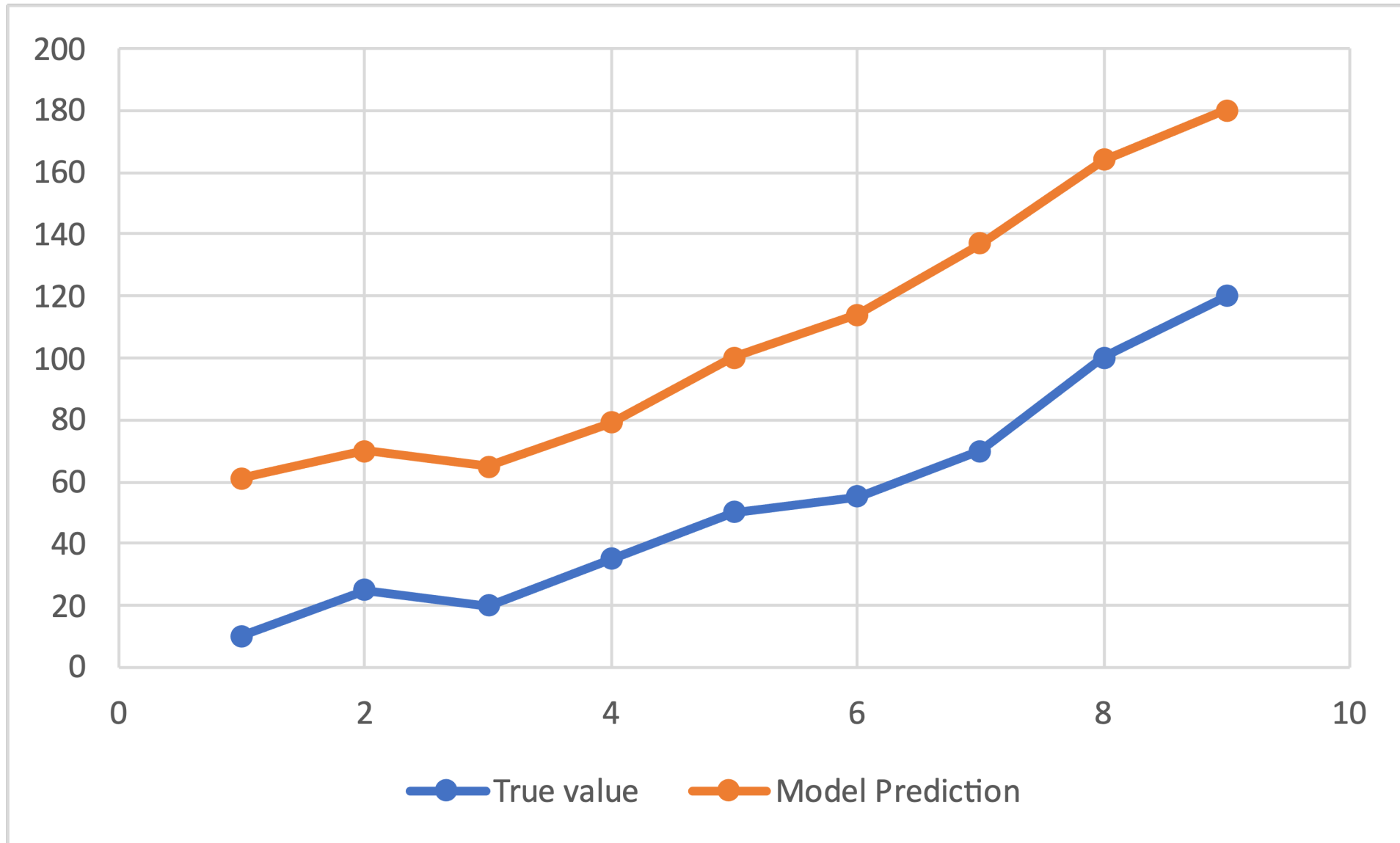
High variance
High bias



Low variance
Low bias



Low variance
High bias



Overfitting and Underfitting

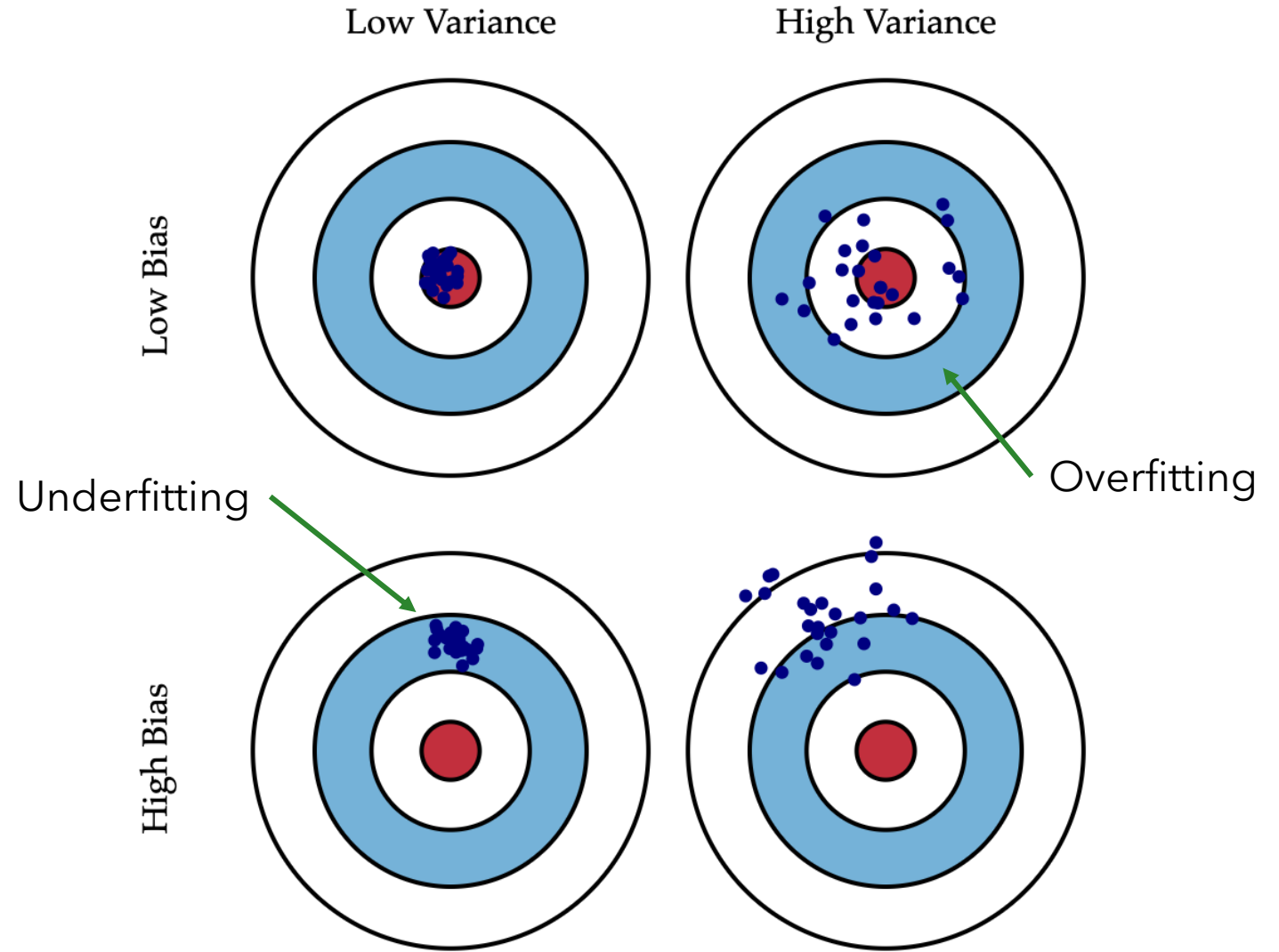
Overfitting

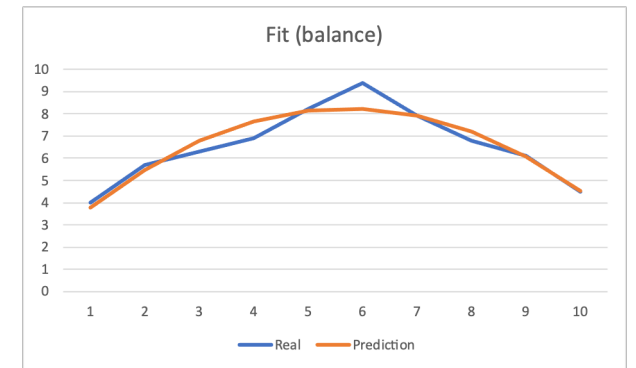
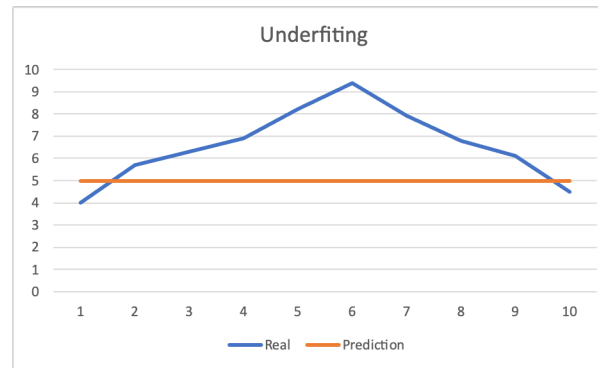
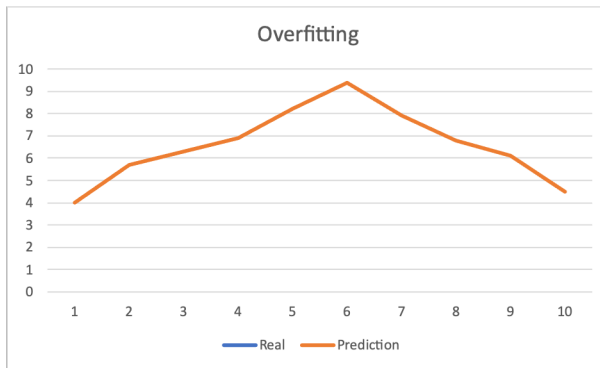
- Model learns every detail of a dataset (rote learning)
- Usually a model has low bias and high variance

Underfitting

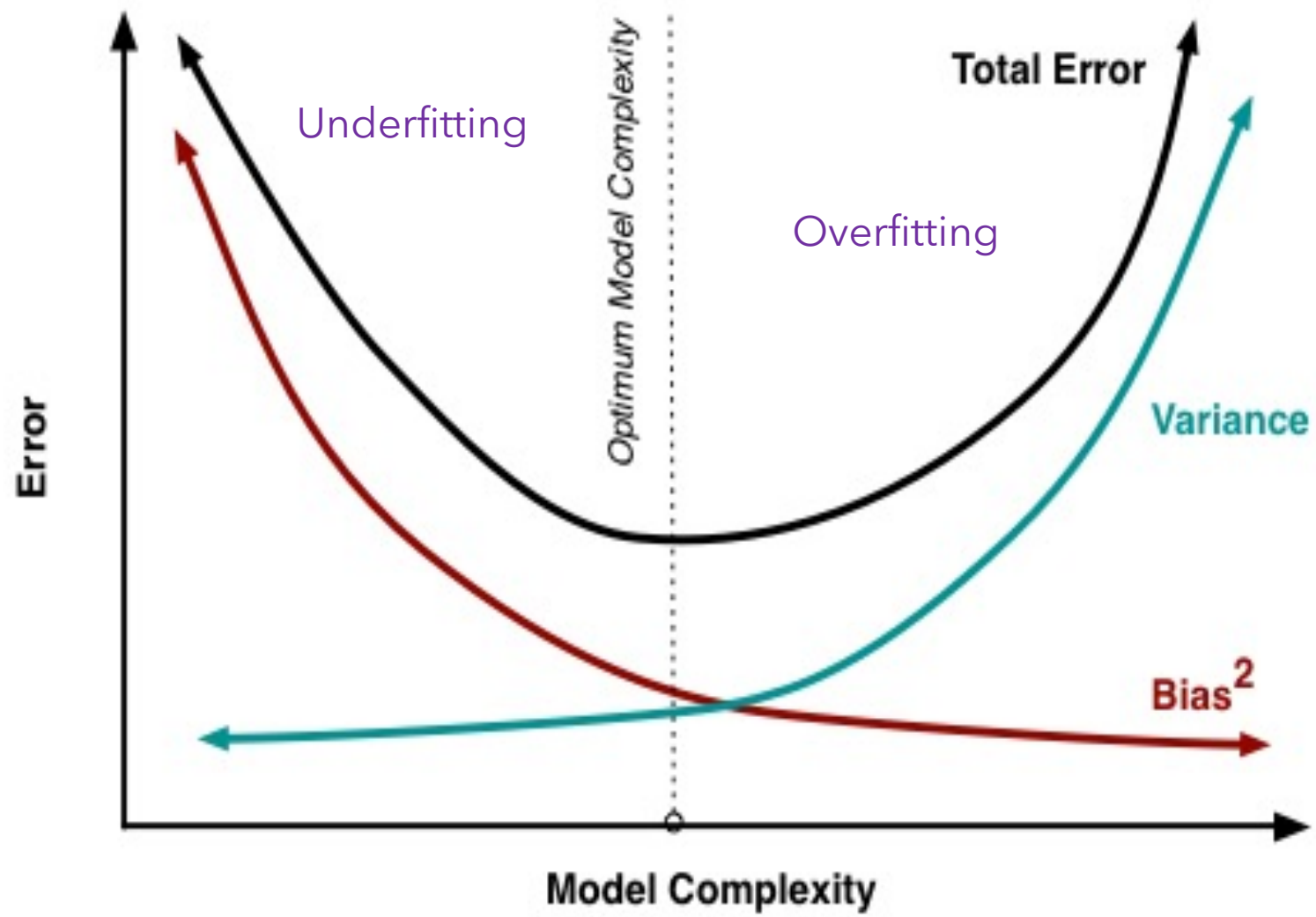
- Model does not generalize
- Model unable to capture underlying pattern in data
- Usually, high bias and low variance

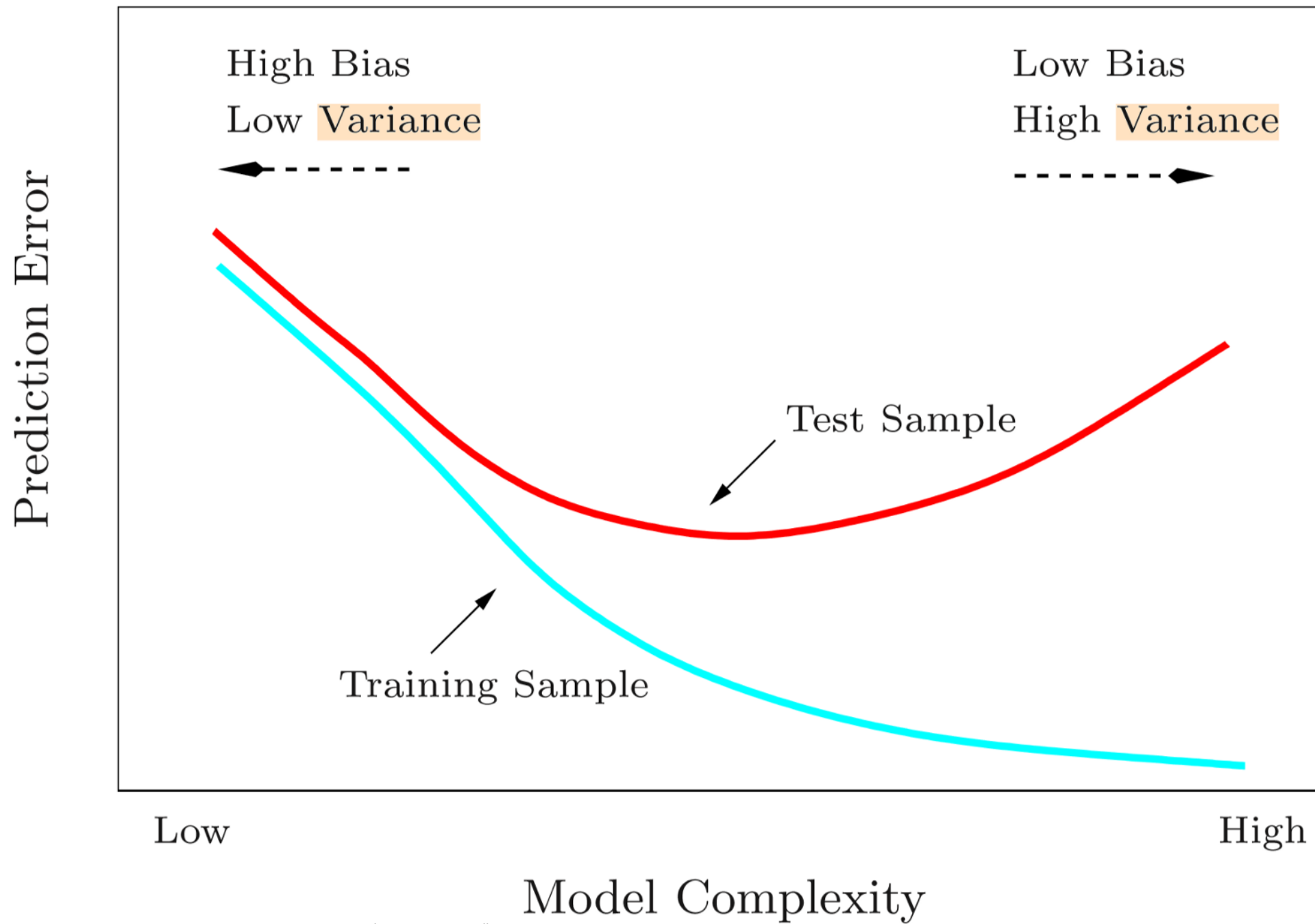
Overfitting and Underfitting





$$Err(x) = \text{Bias}^2 + \text{Variance} + \text{Irreducible Error}$$



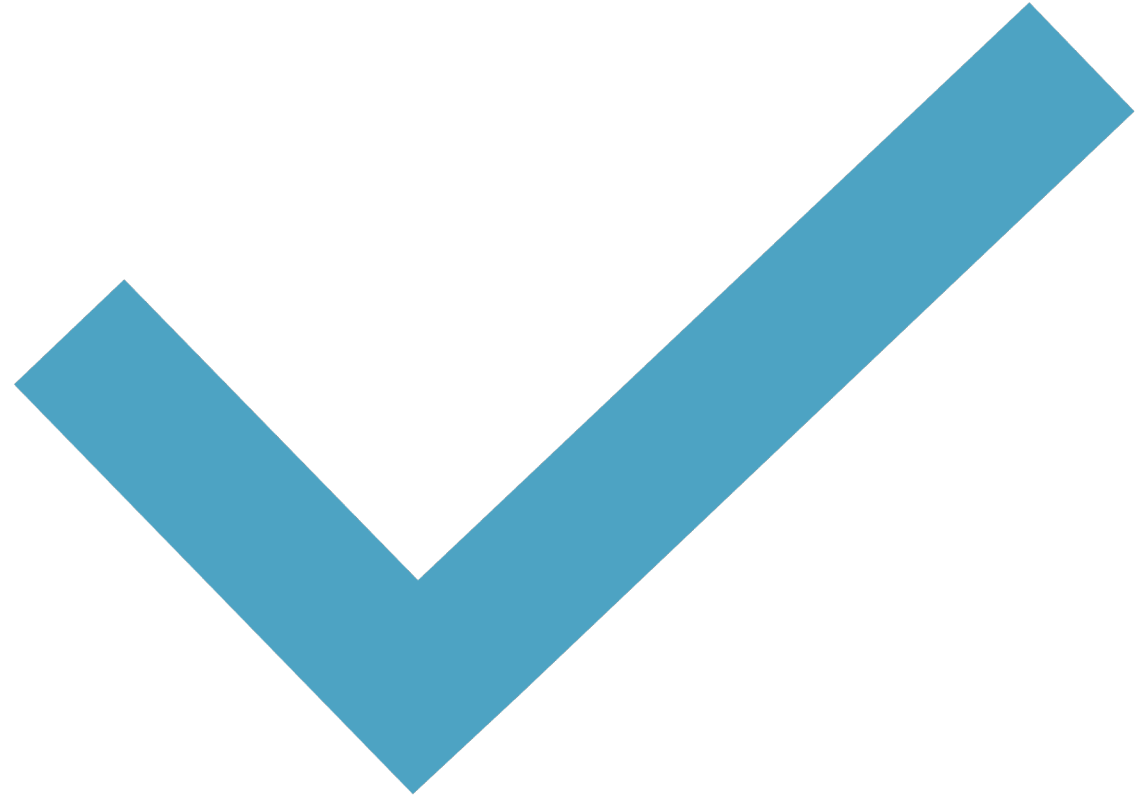


Balancing Variance and Bias

- Select best algorithm for data
- Reduce features (dimensions)
- Reduce error
- Use regularization techniques
- Tune hyperparameters
- Use cross validation

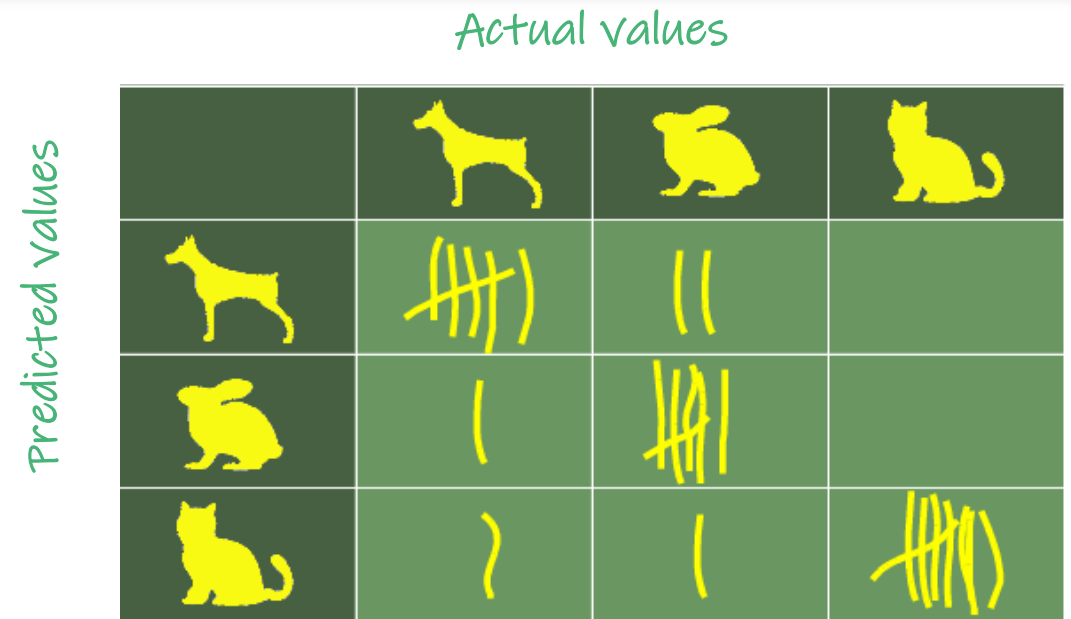


Model Evaluation



Confusion Matrix

- $N \times N$ matrix
 - N = number of classes
- Evaluates performance of a classification model
- Compares actual target values with predicted values



https://www.python-course.eu/images/confusion.matrix_image.png

Binary confusion matrix

		ACTUAL VALUES	
		POSITIVE	NEGATIVE
PREDICTED VALUES	POSITIVE	TP	FP
	NEGATIVE	FN	TN

<https://cdn.analyticsvidhya.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Basic-Confusion-matrix.png>

- True Positive (TP)
 - Predicted value matches actual
 - Both were positive
- True Negative (TN)
 - Predicted value matches actual
 - Both are negative
- False Positive (FP)
 - Type I error
 - Predicted value falsely predicted
 - Actual value Negative
- False Negative (FN)
 - Type II error
 - Predicted value falsely predicted
 - Actual value Positive

Confusion matrix metrics

- Accuracy
 - Fraction of predictions model correctly classified
 - $Accuracy = \frac{\text{Correct predictions}}{\text{Total number predictions}}$
 - For binary classification
 - $Accuracy = \frac{TP+TN}{TP+TN+FP+FN}$
 - Very simple, but does not take into consideration class imbalances and data unevenly distributed



Confusion matrix metrics...

- Precision

- Proportion **predicted positives** identified correctly

- $Precision = \frac{TP}{TP+FP}$

- Recall (Sensitivity)

- Proportion **actual positives** identified correctly

- $Recall = \frac{TP}{TP+FN}$

- Specificity

- Proportion **actual negatives** identified correctly

- $Specificity = \frac{TN}{TN+FP}$

		ACTUAL VALUES	
		POSITIVE	NEGATIVE
PREDICTED VALUES	POSITIVE	TP	FP
	NEGATIVE	FN	TN

- Precision used when FP is a higher concern than FN

- From the positives, how many are really positive?

- Recall used when there is a high cost associated with FN

- How many positive were correctly classified?
 - A higher recall ensures more actual positive values are being identified

Confusion matrix metrics...

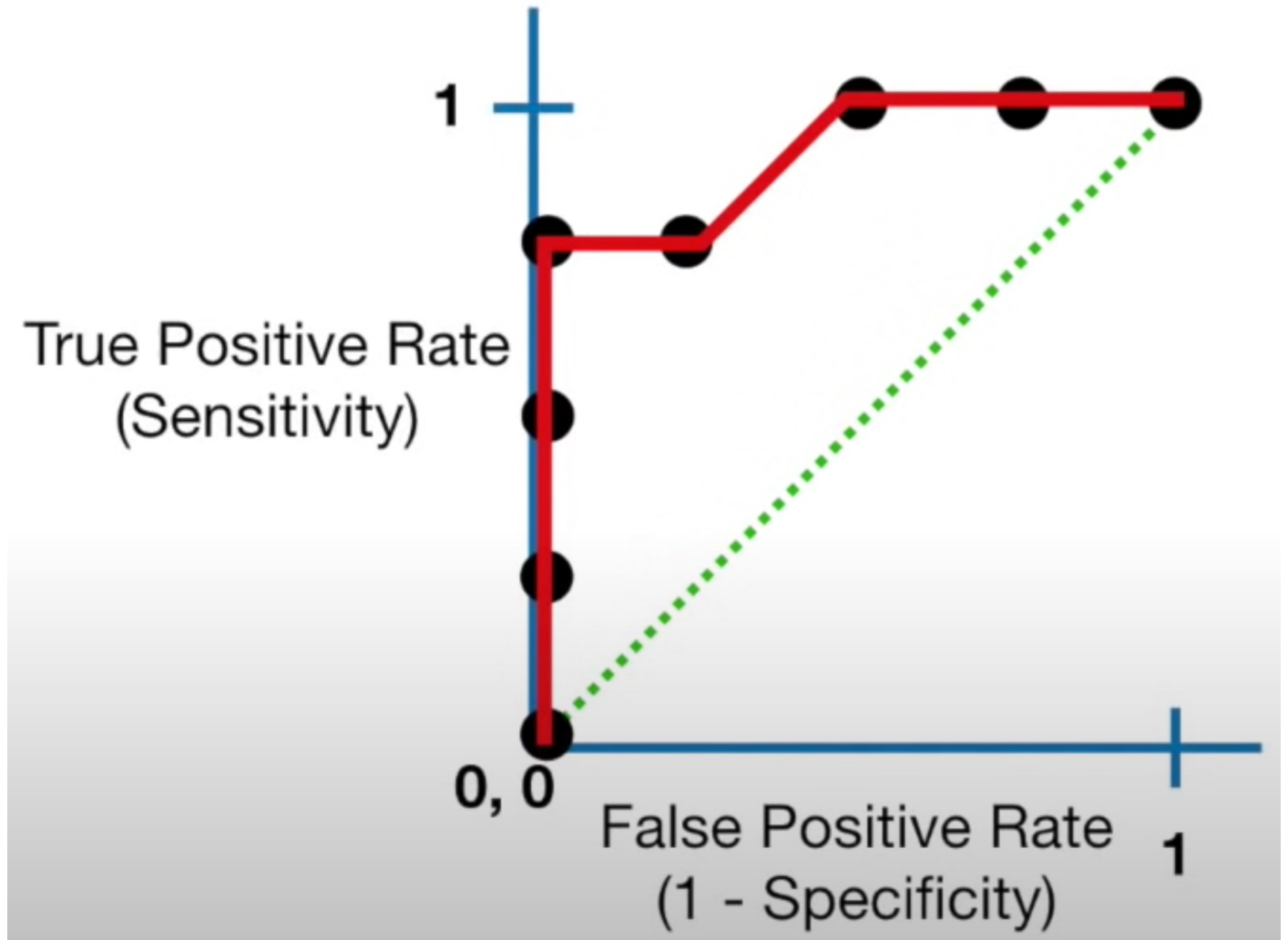
- F1 Score
 - Helps understand balance between Precision and Recall
 - $$F1 = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{recall} + \frac{1}{precision}} = 2 \times \frac{precision \times recall}{precision + recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + \frac{1}{2}(FP + FN)}$$
 - Values range from 0 to 1
 - A value close to 1 means it is a better model
 - Used when
 - there is a need to balance these two metrics
 - Not easy to decide if Type I or Type II errors is preferred

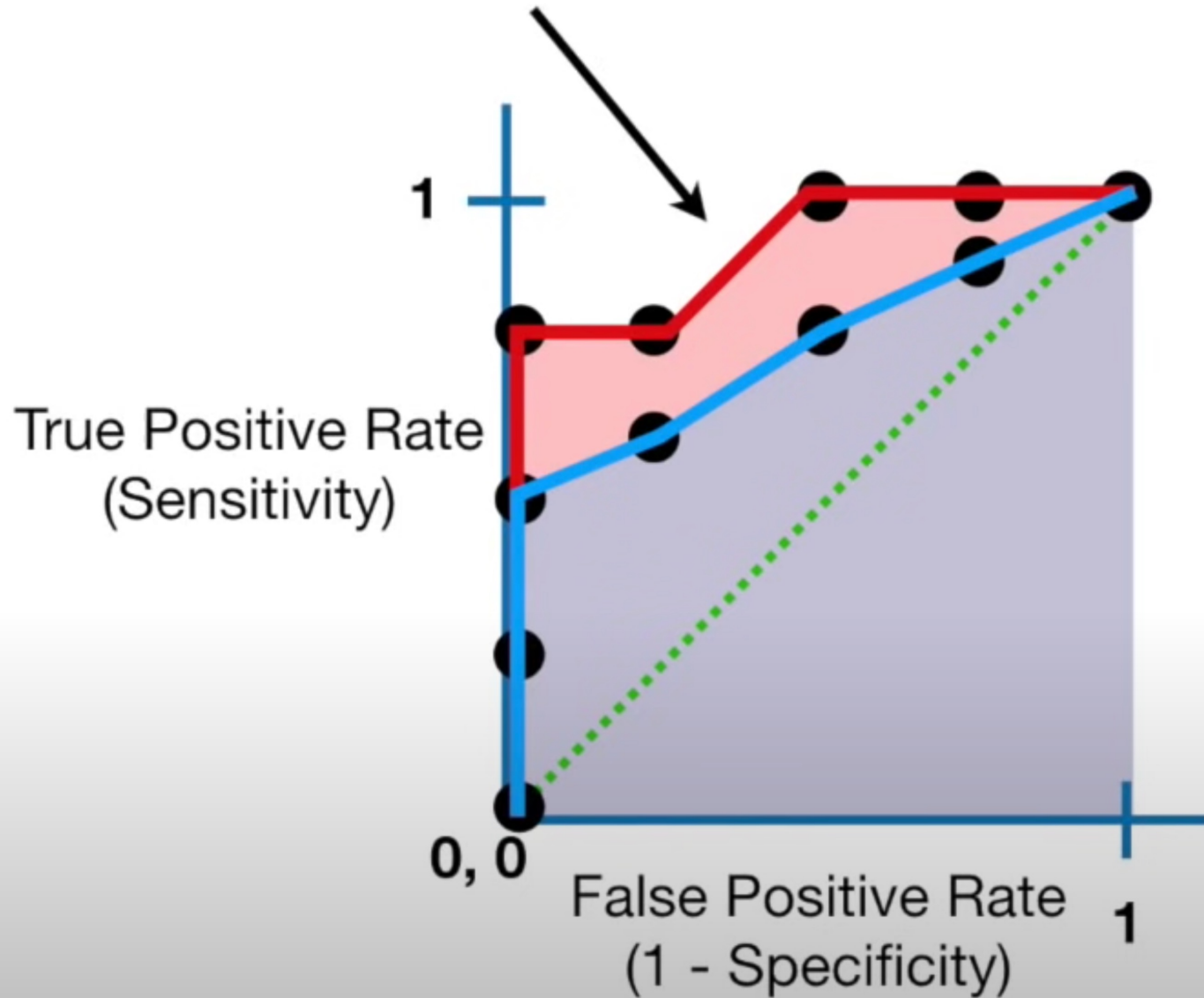
ROC & AUC

- When a classifier is not reporting the values we desire, we can move the threshold for classification
- Moving threshold can increase/decrease recall, precision and specificity values
- ROC and AUC can help us determine the best threshold
 - Receiver Operator Characteristic (ROC)
 - Area Under the Curve (AUC)

ROC

- Summarizes all confusion matrices produced with different thresholds
- Diagonal line is where TP rate is equal to FP rate
- Points above the diagonal represent a good classifier
- The best classifier would be (1,0)





AUC

- Helps to compare different ROC graphs
- The greater the value of the AUC, the better the model is for classifying that data

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