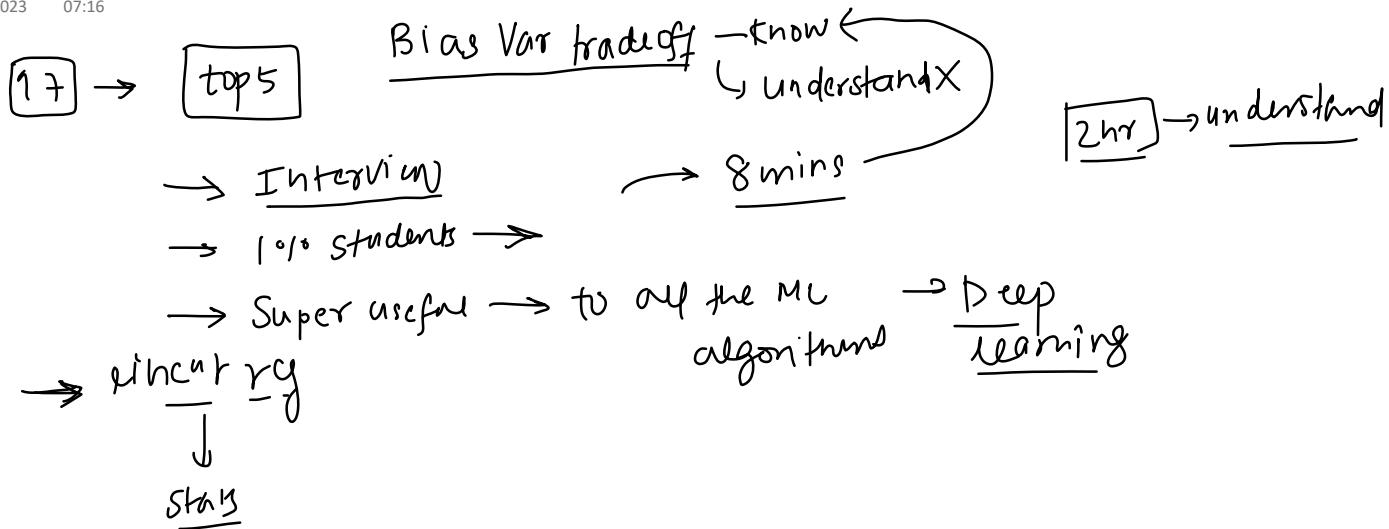


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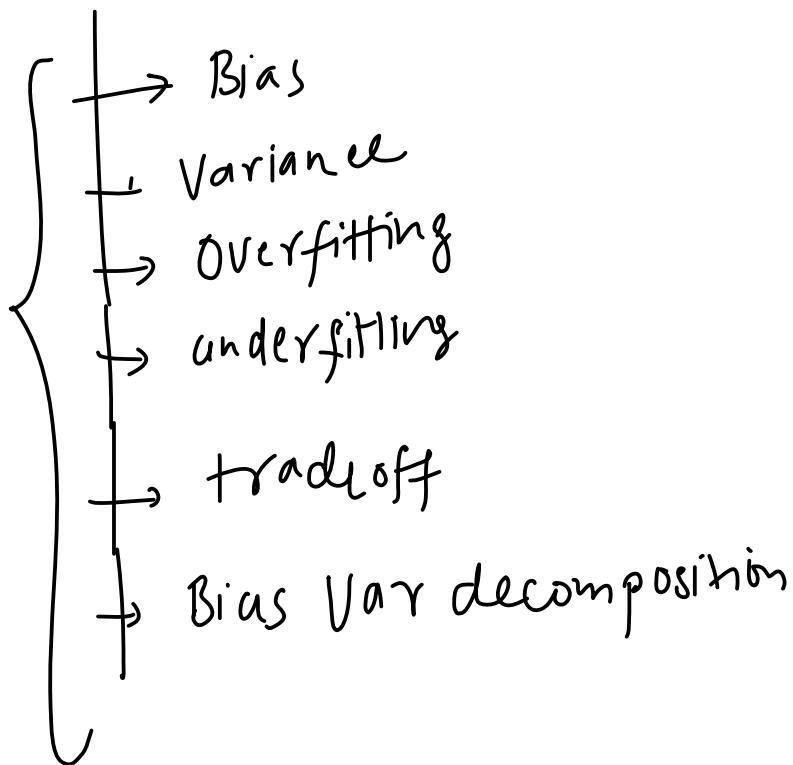
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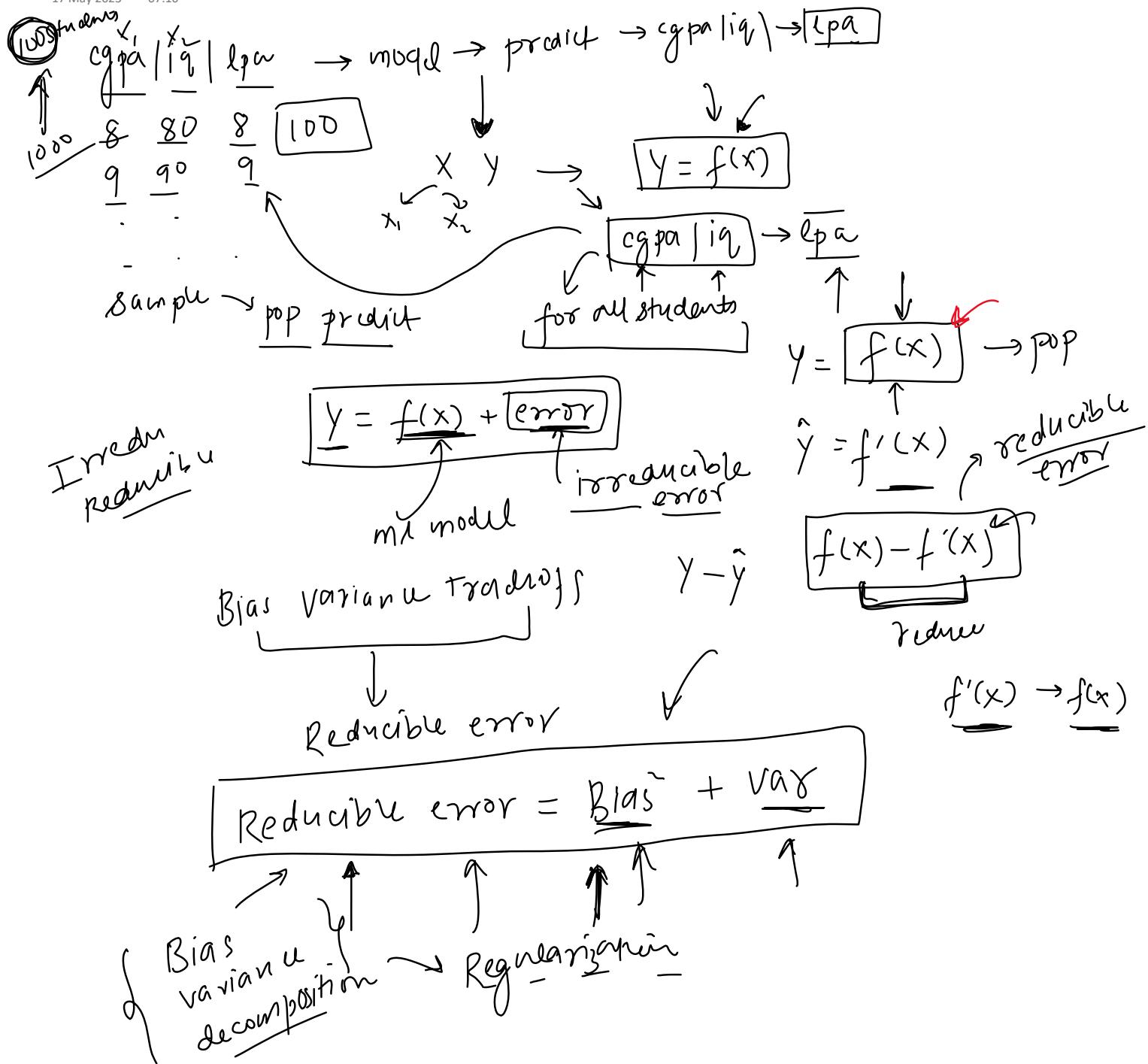
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Bias Var tradeoff



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Bias Variance Tradeoff

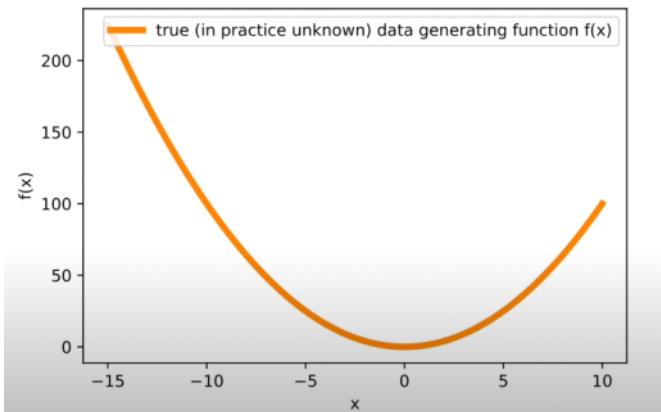
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$$y = f(x) = x^2 \quad [-15, 10]$$

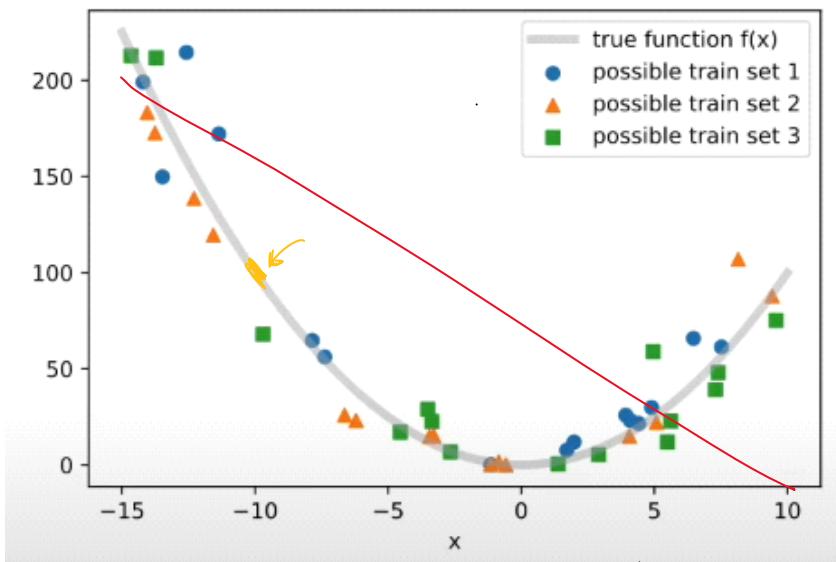
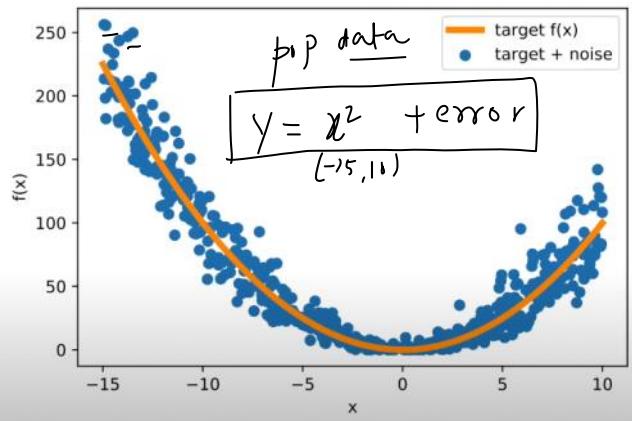
$$y = x^2$$

$$y = x^2 + \text{error}$$

1000 points



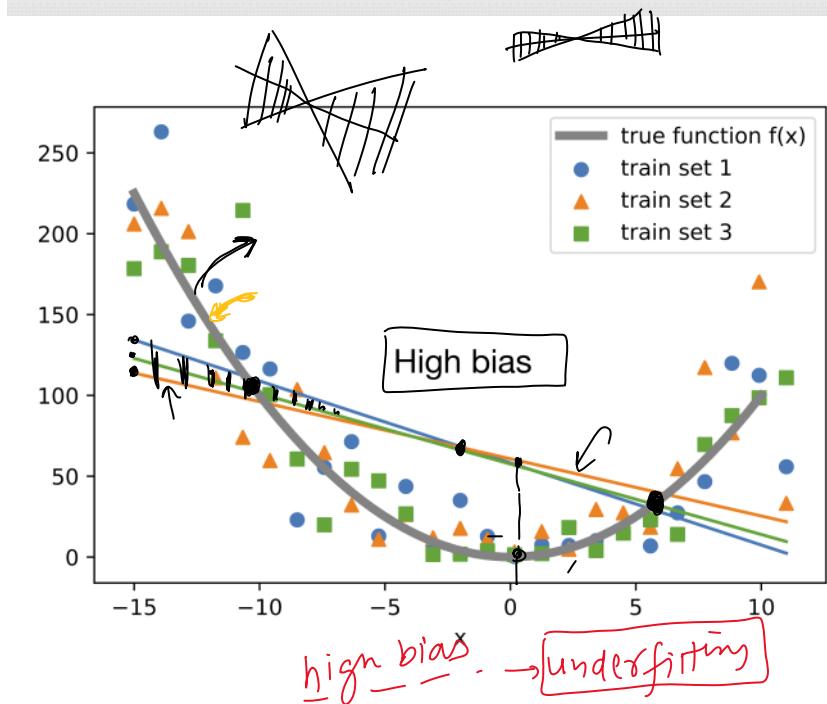
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Sample
random



- → 1
- ▲ → 2
- → 3

3 student

linear model
y



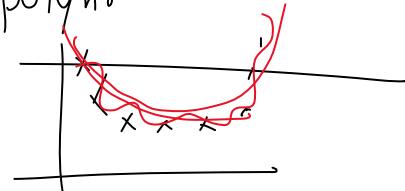
Bias → the inability of a ML model to fit the training data
Variance

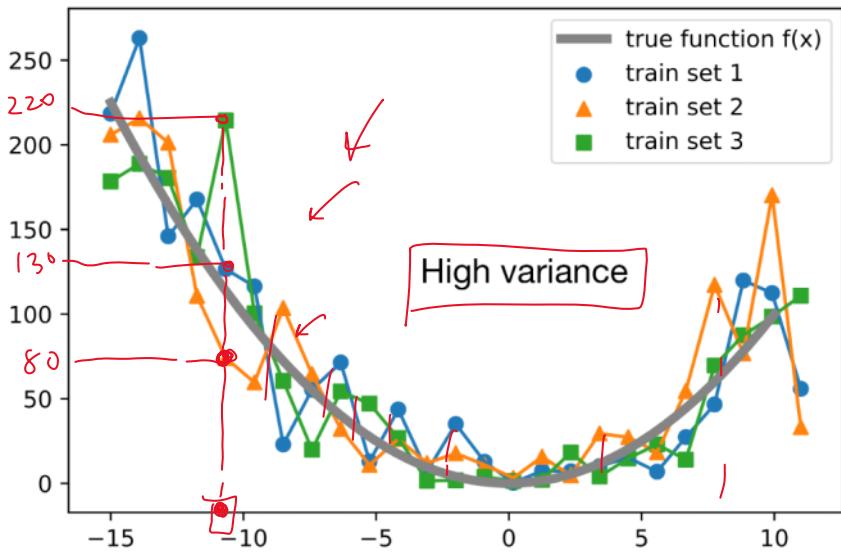
high bias ✓
low bias

low variance

ml model predict
when the training
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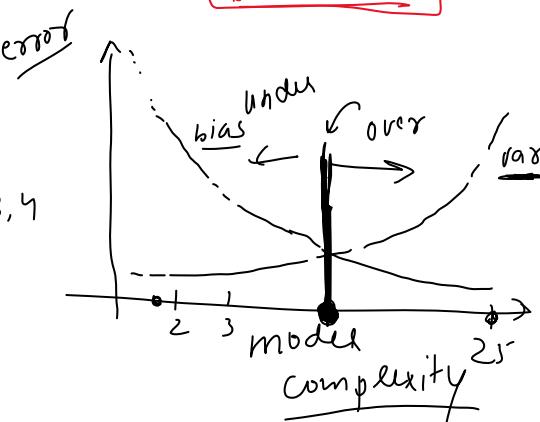
polynomial





The "trade-off" in bias-variance trade-off refers to the fact that minimizing bias will usually increase variance and vice versa.

$\{ \begin{matrix} \text{bias} \\ \text{variance} \end{matrix} \}$
 $\text{poly} \rightarrow \text{degru } 2, 3, 4$



Some questions

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1. How would you define bias and variance mathematically?
2. How is bias and variance related to overfitting and underfitting mathematically?
3. Why is there a tradeoff between bias and variance mathematically?

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(x) &= \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n} = E[(x - E[x])^2] = \text{Var}(x) \\
 &\quad \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{sum} \\ \downarrow}} \quad \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{avg} \\ \downarrow}} \quad \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{E}[x] = \text{num} \\ \text{constant}}} \quad \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{E}[x+y] = \\ \text{E}[x] + \text{E}[y]}} \\
 \text{Var}(x) &= E[(x - E[x])^2] \\
 &= E[x^2 + (E[x])^2 - 2x E[x]] \\
 &= E[x^2] + E[(E[x])^2] - E[2x E[x]] \\
 &= E[x^2] + E[(E[x])^2] - E[2] E[x] E[E[x]] E[E[x]] \quad \text{given } x \text{ and } y \text{ are independent} \\
 &= E[x^2] + E[(E[x])^2] - 2 E[x] E[x] \\
 &= E[x^2] + E[(E[x])^2] - 2(E[x])^2 \\
 &= E[x^2] + \underbrace{(E[x])^2}_{\text{constant}} - 2(E[x])^2 \\
 &= E[x^2] - (E[x])^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[X^2] = \sum x_i^2 p_i$$

$E[X]$

$\text{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$

$= E[(X - E[X])^2]$

mean $E[X]$

pop $\sum x_i^2 p_i$

pop $E[(X - E[X])^2]$

$\text{Var} = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}$

mean $\frac{\sum x_i}{n}$

mean $E[X]$

discrete

continuous

feature

age

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Bias ?
Var ?

→ mathemath. $E[x]$

What exactly are Bias and Variance Mathematically?

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Bias

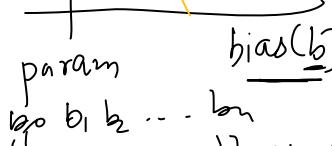
In the context of machine learning and statistics, bias refers to the systematic error that a model introduces because it cannot capture the true relationship in the data. It represents the difference between the expected prediction of our model and the correct value which we are trying to predict. More bias leads to underfitting, where the model does not fit the training data well.

Variance

In the context of machine learning and statistics, variance refers to the amount by which the prediction of our model will change if we used a different training data set. In other words, it measures how much the predictions for a given point vary between different realizations of the model.

$$m - \bar{m} = 0$$

$$\text{bias} = 0$$

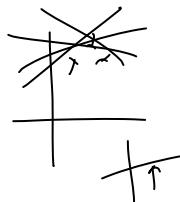


param
 $b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$

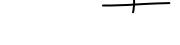
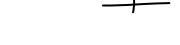
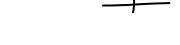
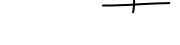
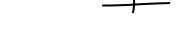
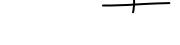
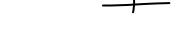
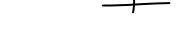
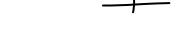
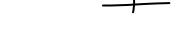
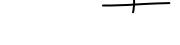
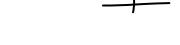
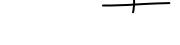
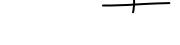
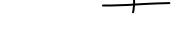
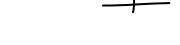
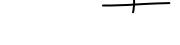
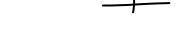
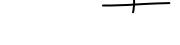
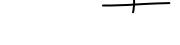
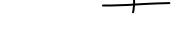
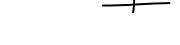
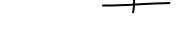
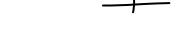
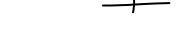
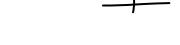
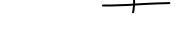
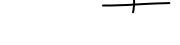
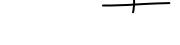
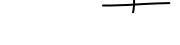
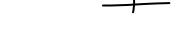
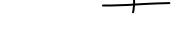
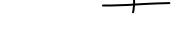
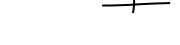
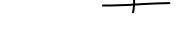
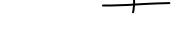
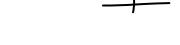
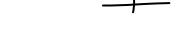
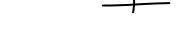
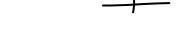
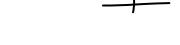
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$$x + 5$$



$$y = \underline{f(x) + \text{error}} \quad \overbrace{\text{mse}}^{\text{Var} -} = \frac{1}{n} \hat{\theta} - \theta$$

$$\hat{y} = \underline{f'(x)} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Bias}(f'(x)) = E[f'(x)] - f(x) \\ \text{Var}(f'(x)) = E[(f'(x) - E[f'(x)])^2] \end{array} \right.$$

Bias Variance Decomposition

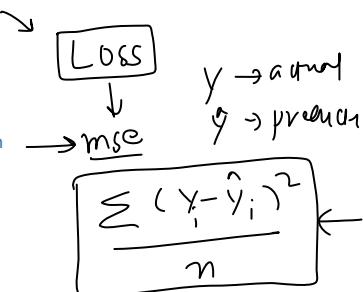
$$\text{Bias} = E[\hat{\theta}] - \theta$$

Bias Variance Decomposition

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Bias-variance decomposition is a way of analysing a learning algorithm's expected generalization error with respect to a particular problem by expressing it as the sum of three very different quantities: bias, variance, and irreducible error.

1. **Bias:** This is the error from erroneous assumptions in the learning algorithm. High bias can cause an algorithm to miss the relevant relations between features and target outputs (underfitting).
 2. **Variance:** This is the error from sensitivity to small fluctuations in the training set. High variance can cause an algorithm to model the random noise in the training data, rather than the intended outputs (overfitting).
 3. **Irreducible Error:** This is the noise term. This part of the error is due to the inherent noise in the problem itself, and can't be reduced by any model.



by any model.

$$\text{Loss} = \underbrace{\text{bias}}_{\text{reducible}} + \underbrace{\text{variance}}_{\text{reducible}} + \underbrace{\text{irreducible}}$$

$$\text{Loss} = \underbrace{[\text{bias}^2 + \text{variance}]}_{\text{reducible}} + \underbrace{[\text{var}(f)]}_{\text{irreducible}}$$

Irreducible error

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (gpa + \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma})$$

$$\text{mean} = \bar{y}$$

$$\text{var} = \sigma^2$$

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (gpa + \frac{\beta_2 iq}{\bar{q}})$$

Derivation

$$\underline{mse} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{n} = \frac{E[(y - \hat{y})^2]}{E\left[\left(\underbrace{\theta + \epsilon}_{\alpha} - \hat{\theta}\right)^2\right]}$$

$$y = f(x) + \epsilon = \theta + \epsilon$$

$$\hat{y} = f'(x) = \hat{\theta}$$

$$= E\left[\left(\underbrace{\theta - \hat{\theta}}_{\alpha} + \epsilon\right)^2\right]$$

← explanation irrelevant

$$E[x+y] = E[\underbrace{(\theta - \hat{\theta})}_{\alpha}] + E[\epsilon^2] + E[2\epsilon(\theta - \hat{\theta})]$$

$$= E[(\theta - \hat{\theta})^2] + E[\epsilon^2] + \underbrace{E[2\epsilon(\theta - \hat{\theta})]}_{E[\epsilon]=0}$$

$$E[xy] = E[x]E[y]$$

$$= E[(\theta - \hat{\theta})^2] + E[\epsilon^2] \leftarrow$$

$$E[X]E[Y]$$

mse

$$\text{mse} = E[(\theta - \hat{\theta})^2] + \boxed{E[\epsilon^2]} \leftarrow$$

$$E[\epsilon^2] \rightarrow \underline{\text{var}(\epsilon)} = \sigma^2 = E[(\epsilon - \overline{E[\epsilon]})^2]$$

$\uparrow E[\epsilon^2] = \text{Var}(\epsilon)$

$$= E[(\epsilon - \bar{\epsilon})^2] = E[\epsilon^2]$$

$$\text{mse} = E[(\theta - \hat{\theta})^2] + \boxed{\text{var}(\epsilon)}$$

irreducible

$$E[(\theta - \hat{\theta})^2] = E[(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}] + E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})^2] \leftarrow$$

$$E[(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])^2 + (E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})^2 + 2(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])(E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})]$$

$$E[(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])^2] + E[(E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})^2]$$

$$E[2(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])(E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})] = 0$$

$$E[(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])] E[(E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})]$$

$$2(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}]) \cancel{E[(E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})]}$$

$$\theta - E[\hat{\theta}] \cancel{E[(E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})]}$$

$$E[\hat{\theta}] - E[\hat{\theta}]$$

$$E[(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])^2] + E[(E[\hat{\theta}] - \hat{\theta})^2]$$

var

$$(\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])^2$$

$$\rightarrow (\theta - E[\hat{\theta}])^2$$

bias

$$+ \text{var}$$

$$\text{mse} = (\text{bias})^2 + \boxed{\text{variance}} + \text{noise}$$

reducible

var(ϵ)

Bias - Variance decomposition

0.05

$$\text{mse} = \text{reducible} + \text{variance}$$

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$$\rightarrow \underline{\text{bias}} + \underline{\text{var}}$$

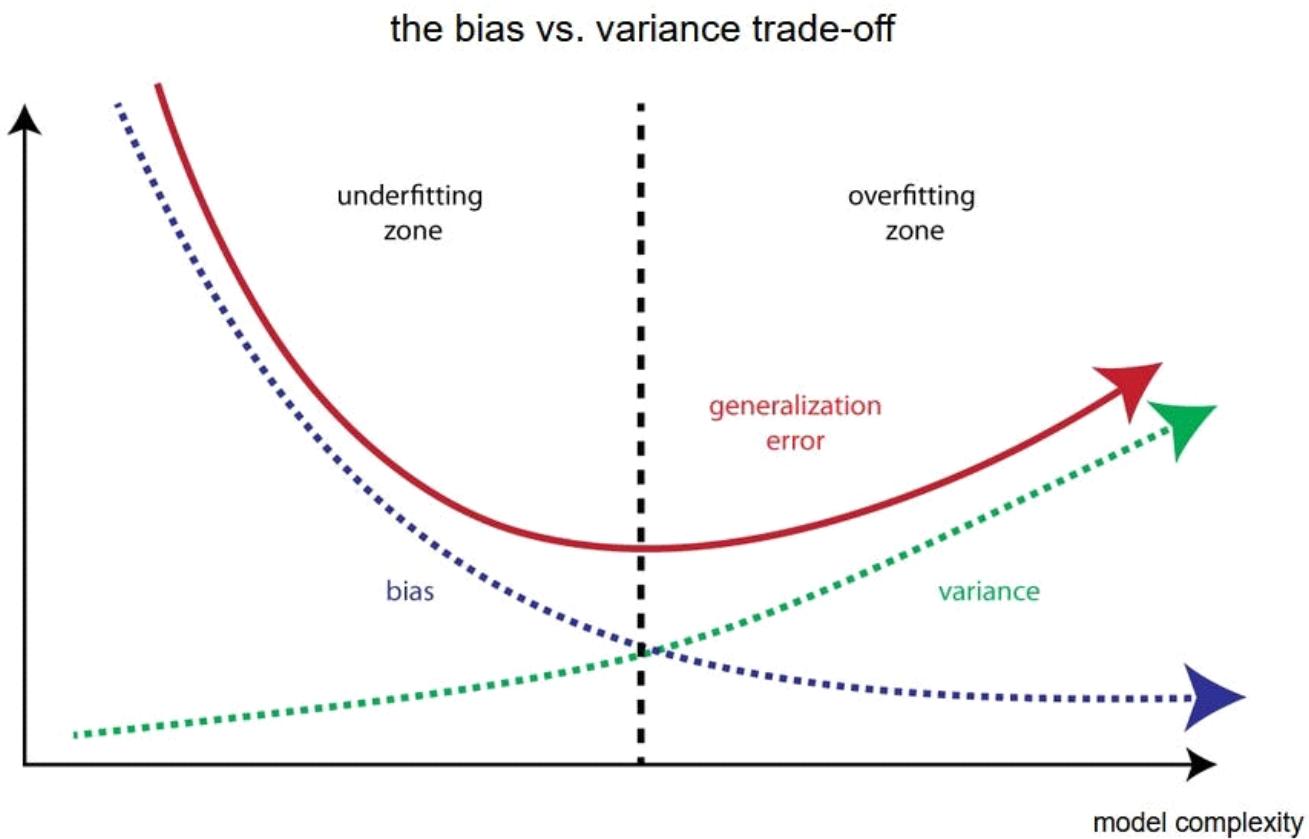
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var(ϵ)

$$\overbrace{bias + variance}^{\text{Var}(e)}$$
$$bias = \overline{f} - f_0$$
$$variance = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i - \overline{f})^2$$

Diagram

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Code Example

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