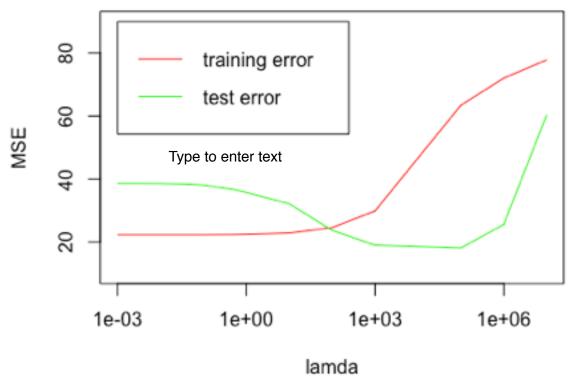
To illustrate the relationship between regularization, training error, and testing error, I use the method:

- 1. Select the dataset, 'Boston' in 'MASS' package, which is a famous dataset for regression. The housing price will be the target values.
- 2. Decide the dataset to training part and testing part.
- 3. Use training part to train the model using Ridge Regression.
- 4. Predict the training part with our regression model, and calculate the MSE of error between predictions and real housing price.
- 5. Predict the testing part with our regression model, and calculate the MSE of error between predictions and real housing price.
- 6. Repeat step 3,4,5 many times for each time regularization parameter lambda to be one of [0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.5, 1, 10, 100, 1000, 1000000, 10000000]
- 7. Plot the training error and testing error with different regularization parameter, and get the visualization.

error vs lamda



We can see that:

- 1. Training error is increasing with lambda increases;
- 2. Testing error is decreasing with lambda increases at the beginning, and at some point, the test error is lowest and after that point, test error goes up again.

Conclusion:

At the beginning, our model is overfitting. With regularization parameter increases, we get a better model for this problem. However, when the lambda continues to increase. The model meets bias problem. The model is not flexible enough to describe this problem.