

# Model

A model is a representation or abstraction of a real-world system or concept.

## Computational model

[Computational model](#).

## Machine learning model

[Machine learning model](#).

## Animal model

see [Animal model](#).

## Canonical model

see [Canonical model](#).

## Head model

[Head model](#).

[Glioma model](#)

## Prediction model

[Prediction model](#).

## Statistical model

[Statistical model](#)

A model with high [error](#) due to [bias](#) can fail to capture the regularities in the [data](#), resulting in an inaccurate model underfitting the data. Increasing the complexity of the model, such as adding more

parameters in the model, can reduce this bias. However, an excessively complex model, such as having too many parameters compared to the number of patients, can describe random error or noise instead of the meaningful relationships, referred to as overfitting of the data. This results in an increase in error due to variance and a reduced generalizability to previously unseen data. The complexity of a model should, therefore, be a tradeoff between bias and variance<sup>1)</sup>.

1)

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