MATHCAD Fundamentals and Functions – Session III

EGN 1006 – Introduction to Engineering
MATHCAD
Data Analysis and Statistical Analysis
MATHCAD offers the capability to perform statistical analysis by a number of built-in functions that can be applied directly to the data contained in single or multi-dimensional arrays:

- `mean(A)` Mean or Average
- `stdev(A)` Standard Deviation
- `var(A)` Variance
Enter the following

Create a matrix $A$ with 11 rows and 1 column. Enter the following values as shown then type:

$\text{mean}(A) =$

$\text{stdev}(A) =$

$\text{var}(A) =$

$$\begin{align*}
A := \begin{pmatrix}
230 \\
220 \\
225 \\
238 \\
246 \\
267 \\
239 \\
276 \\
236 \\
287 \\
234
\end{pmatrix}
\end{align*}$$
**Interpolation Functions**

MATHCAD is capable of automatically interpolating data using several degrees of approximation:

- \( \text{linterp}(V_x, V_y, p) \) Linear Interpolation
- \( \text{lspline}(V_x, V_y) \) Linear Spline
- \( \text{pspline}(V_x, V_y) \) Parabolic Spline
- \( \text{cspline}(V_x, V_y) \) Cubic Spline
- \( \text{interp}(V_s, V_x, V_y, p) \) General Interpolation from spline output
- \( \text{corr}(V_{x1}, V_{x2}) \) correlates two arrays for residuals
What is a spline?

The linear spline represents a set of line segments between the two adjacent data points.
Enter the following

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>time</th>
<th>T</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>199</td>
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<tr>
<td>.1</td>
<td>201</td>
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<tr>
<td>.2</td>
<td>202</td>
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<td>.3</td>
<td>205</td>
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<td>.4</td>
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<td>.7</td>
<td>217</td>
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<td>.8</td>
<td>221</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>.9</td>
<td>226</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>234</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Create an 11r,1c Matrix called “time” and enter the values shown.

Create an 11r,1c Matrix called “T” and enter the values shown.
Do the following

Create an X-Y plot with time on the x-axis. Change the graph so that the data is represented by points and symbolic o’s (Double click on graph)

Question: What would the temp be at 0.75 seconds?

Enter

\[ \text{Linterp(time,T,0.75)=} \]
Higher order interpolation

The value of the linear interpolation is just a general trend value and may not be very accurate.

Define:

\[ V_s := \text{cspline(time, T)} \]

\[ V_s = \text{(just to take a peek at it, then erase it)} \]

Enter: (General interpolation)

\[ \text{interp(V}_s\text{,time,T,0.75)} = \]

The Algorithms to calculate this value is COMPLICATED! But it is a built in MATHCAD function!
MATHCAD includes several functions that produce the coefficients for several curve models.

- \textbf{intercept}(V_x,V_y) \quad \text{linear y-intersection}
- \textbf{slope}(V_x,V_y) \quad \text{linear slope}
- \textbf{linfit}(V_x,V_y,f) \quad \text{generalized regression}

Produces as many coefficients as required by the dimensions of the function \( f \)
Enter the following

Our time/temp graph may look straight but we cannot assume it is.

Define

\[ b \equiv \text{intercept}(\text{time}, T) \]

\[ b = \]

\[ m \equiv \text{slope}(\text{time}, T) \]

\[ m = \]
Do the following

Let’s say we want to see the line of best fit! Copy and Paste the graph underneath all current work.

Enter the following ABOVE the pasted graph:

\[ i := 0 \ldots 10 \quad T_{\text{linear}} := m \cdot \text{time}_i + b \]

Note: The T(linear) uses BOTH a text subscript AND an index subscript). Also, notice that we are using the equation of a line \( y = mx + b \)
Do the following

Click on the “T” on the graph then hit the “comma” key on the keyboard. This will create another entry box. Enter in T(linear) then hit enter. You should see:
A general regression

First we must define a function “f”. Create and define a function \( f(x) \) as a 3x1 matrix as shown. This matrix represents the equation of a parabola \( a + bx + cx^2 \). Then define “a” using linfit command

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
1 \\
x \\
x^2
\end{pmatrix}
\]

Enter:
\[ a = \]

These are the COEFFICIENTS in the parabola equation
Enter the following

Begin by defining a RANGE variable “I” . Then define “T(parab) indexed by “i” as shown below. Remember that TIME is on the x-axis so it replaces “x” in the equation. Each “a” is INDEXED by a place in the matrix, so make sure you use appropriate index keystrokes

\[ i := 0 .. 10 \]

\[ T_{\text{parab}, i} := a_0 + a_1 \cdot \text{time}_i + a_2 \cdot (\text{time}_i)^2 \]
Do the following

Click on the “T” on the graph and once again hit the comma key to insert a NEW line on the graph, with this one being parabolic in nature. You should see:
How “CLOSE” is the data?

We now want to compare how the $T(\text{linear})$ and the $T(\text{parab})$ fit with the original data “T”.

Enter this below the graph

$\text{corr}(T_{\text{linear}}, T) =$
$\text{corr}(T_{\text{parab}}, T) =$

You can easily see which one is a better fit as we desire to get a value close to ONE!
Special Regression Functions

MATHCAD can also do the following:

- \text{expfit}(V_x, V_y, V_g)
- \text{lgsfit}(V_x, V_y, V_g)
- \text{logfit}(V_x, V_y, V_g)
- \text{pwrfit}(V_x, V_y, V_g)
- \text{sinfit}(V_x, V_y, V_g)

\( V_g \) is an optional array of guessed coefficients

\[ y(x) = ae^{bx} + c \]
\[ y(x) = \frac{a}{1 + be^{-\alpha}} \]
\[ y(x) = a \ln(x)^{bx} + c \]
\[ y(x) = ax^b + c \]
\[ y(x) = a \sin(x + b) + c \]
Enter the following

First we will define a special array of guessed coefficients. Define $V_g$ as a 3x1 matrix as shown. The define “a” then enter $a =$ to see the REAL coefficients. You should see:

$$V_g := \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 200 \end{pmatrix} \quad a := \text{expfit}(\text{time}, T, V_g)$$

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 7.909 \\ 1.666 \\ 191.448 \end{pmatrix}$$
Try this!

Using what you have already done, REPEAT this entire process and do an EXPONENTIAL fit. Add the exponential curve on a second pasted graph and do a correlation between $T_{\text{exp}}$ and $T$

DO NOT LOOK AT THE NEXT SLIDE UNTIL TOLD!
YOU SHOULD SEE

\[ i := 0 .. 10 \]
\[ T_{\text{exp}}_i := a_0 \cdot e^{a_1 \cdot \text{time}_i} + a_2 \]
You should see

\[ \text{corr}(T_{\text{exp}}, T) = 0.999 \]
Complete the following assignment