1. Consider the function

$$f(x,y) = (1.5 - x + xy)^{2} + (2.25 - x + xy^{2})^{2} + (2.625 - x + xy^{3})^{2}.$$

Write python code to determine its minimum with  $-4.5 \le x, y \le 4.5$ .

- 2. The data in data\_q2.csv are believed to be drawn from a Gaussian distribution. Using python, plot a histogram of these data and superimpose a Gaussian with the appropriate mean and variance.
- 3. We make measurements of a quantity y which is believed to be related to another variable x. We take N observations which are modeled as

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$$

where  $\epsilon_i$  is observation noise for i = 1, ..., N.  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are real constants which we need to estimate. We estimate them as

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

and

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$$

where  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i$  and  $\bar{y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i$ .

The data in data\_q3.csv correspond to  $x_i$  and  $y_i$  for i = 1, ..., N. Write python code to determine  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and plot the data as well as the line  $y = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$ .