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## Tutorial 2: Curve Fitting

1.	If P is the pull required to lift a load W by means of a pulley block, find a linear law of the form $P = mW + c$							
	P	12	15	21	25			
	W	50	70	100	120			
	Where P and W are taken in kg-wt. compute P when W=150 kg.							
2.	In some determinations of the value $v$ of carbon dioxide dissolved in a given volume of water at different temperatures $\theta$ , the following pairs of values were obtained:							
	$\theta$	0	5	10	15			
	$v$	1.8	1.45	1.18	1.00			
	Obtain by the method of least squares, a relation of the form $v = a + b\theta$ which best fits to these observations.							
3	Fit a second degree polynomial to the following data:							
	$x$	0	1	2	3	4		
	$y$	1	1.8	1.3	2.5	6.3		
4	Fit a second degree parabola to the following data:							
	$x$	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0
	$y$	1.1	1.3	1.6	2.0	2.7	3.4	4.1
	(Hint: To reduce calculations take $X=2x-5$ .)							
5	Fit the exponential curve $y = ae^{bx}$ to the following data:							
	$x$	2	4	6	8			
	$y$	25	38	56	84			
6.	The voltage $v$ across a capacitor at time $t$ seconds is given by the following table:							
	$t$	0	2	4	6	8		
	$v$	150	63	28	12	5.6		
	Use the method of least squares to fit a curve of the form $v = ae^{bt}$							
7	Growth of bacteria (N) in a culture after $t$ hours, is given in the following table:							
	$t$ :	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
	N:	31	47	65	92	132	190	275
	Fit a curve of the form $N = ab^t$ and estimate N when $t=7$ .							