

Temperature Modelling

In [175...]

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%pip install numpy  
%pip install pandas  
%pip install scipy
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In [176...]

```
import numpy as np  
import pandas as pd  
from scipy.optimize import curve_fit
```

Newton's Law of Cooling

The rate of change of temperature of an object is proportional to the difference between its own temperature and the ambient temperature (the temperature of its surroundings).

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - T_a)$$

Where:

- (T) is the temperature of the object at time (t)
- (T_a) is the ambient temperature
- (k) is a positive constant that depends on the characteristics of the object and its surroundings

Solution to the Differential Equation

$$T(t) = T_a + (T_0 - T_a)e^{-kt}$$

Where:

- (T_0) is the initial temperature of the object at ($t = 0$)
- (e) is the base of the natural logarithm
- (t) is the time elapsed (in seconds)
- (k) is the cooling constant

Another solution is with time constant τ .

$$T(t) = T_a + (T_0 - T_a)e^{-t/\tau}$$

where:

- τ is the time constant that depends on the insulation characteristics of the object

```
In [177...]: # Newton's Law of Cooling
def newtons_law_of_cooling(t, T_0, T_amb, k):
    return T_amb + (T_0 - T_amb) * np.exp(-k * t)
```

Data

```
In [178...]: df = pd.read_csv('dataset.csv')
df.head()
```

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Out[178...]:   no  timestamp  T_amb  Temp
0      0        05:45  29.2  97.3
1      1        06:00  29.2  94.8
2      2        06:15  29.1  92.8
3      3        06:30  29.0  90.7
4      4        06:45  29.0  88.9
```

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In [179...]: df.columns = df.columns.str.strip()
n = len(df)
df['Elapsed_Hours'] = np.arange(n) * 0.25
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In [180...]: # Declare Variables

ambient_temperature = df['T_amb'].mean()
temperature = df['Temp'].values
time = df['Elapsed_Hours'].values
```

Model

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In [181... def cooling_model(t, tau):
        return ambient_temperature + (temperature[0] - ambient_temperature) * np.e**(-t/tau)

In [182... tau_opt, _ = curve_fit(cooling_model, time, temperature, bounds=(0, np.inf))
temp_fitted = cooling_model(time, tau_opt[0])

print(tau_opt[0])
```

8.140576905063138

This approach uses the curve fitting method to estimate the cooling constant k or time constant τ by minimizing the difference between the observed temperatures and the temperatures predicted by the model. This is more accurate than using just two data points.

What `curve_fit` does is it tries many values of τ and computes:

$$\text{Error} = \sum_i [\text{Observed}_i - \text{Predicted}_i]^2$$

It then picks the τ that minimizes this squared error, that is the best fitting exponential curve to the data.

Model Fitting

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In [183... results_df = pd.DataFrame({
    "Time (hours)": time,
    "Observed Temp (°C)": temperature,
    "Fitted Temp (°C)": temps_fitted,
    "Difference (°C)": (temperature-temps_fitted)
})
results_df
```

Out[183...]

	Time (hours)	Observed Temp (°C)	Fitted Temp (°C)	Difference (°C)
0	0.00	97.3	97.300000	0.000000
1	0.25	94.8	95.234363	-0.434363
2	0.50	92.8	93.231199	-0.431199
3	0.75	90.7	91.288617	-0.588617
4	1.00	88.9	89.404787	-0.504787
5	1.25	87.3	87.577929	-0.277929
6	1.50	85.6	85.806323	-0.206323
7	1.75	84.0	84.088296	-0.088296
8	2.00	82.0	82.422229	-0.422229
9	2.25	81.0	80.806549	0.193451
10	2.50	79.8	79.239734	0.560266
11	2.75	78.3	77.720304	0.579696

Extrapolation

In [184...]

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extrapolate_time = np.arange(0, 300.25, 0.25)
extrapolate_temperature = cooling_model(extrapolate_time, tau_opt[0])

extrapolate_df = pd.DataFrame({
    "Time (hours)": extrapolate_time,
    "Temperature": extrapolate_temperature
})
extrapolate_df.head()
```

Out[184...]

	Time (hours)	Temperature
0	0.00	97.300000
1	0.25	95.234363
2	0.50	93.231199
3	0.75	91.288617
4	1.00	89.404787

In [185...]

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# General Information

print("tau = ", tau_opt[0])
print("Ambient Temperature = ", ambient_temperature)
print("Initial Temperature = ", temperature[0])
print("Temperature after 12 hours = ", extrapolate_temperature[48])
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tau = 8.140576905063138
Ambient Temperature = 28.999999999999996
Initial Temperature = 97.3
Temperature after 12 hours = 44.63970332335817
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In [199...]  
def temperature_at_time_t(time_value):  
    time_value = float(time_value)  
    if not (extrapolate_time.min() <= time_value <= extrapolate_time.max()):  
        raise ValueError(  
            f"time must be within [{extrapolate_time.min()}, {extrapolate_time.max()}] °C."  
    )  
    return float(cooling_model(time_value, tau_opt[0]))  
  
def time_at_temperature_T(temperature_value):  
    temperature_value = float(temperature_value)  
  
    max_temp = float(temperature[0])  
    min_temp = float(extrapolate_temperature.min())  
  
    if not (min_temp <= temperature_value <= max_temp):  
        raise ValueError(  
            f"temperature must be within [{min_temp}, {max_temp}] °C."  
    )  
  
    temps_sorted = extrapolate_temperature[::-1]  
    times_sorted = extrapolate_time[::-1]  
    time_value = np.interp(temperature_value, temps_sorted, times_sorted)  
    return float(time_value)  
  
TIME = 0.75  
TEMPERATURE = 90  
temperature_at_time_t(TIME), time_at_temperature_T(TEMPERATURE)
```

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Out[199...](91.2886174741422, 0.9210102376477249)
```

Limit of The model as $t \rightarrow \infty$

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