

# PT-100 Lab Assignment

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**Abstract**—This document contains a lab report on the modeling of the voltage-temperature characteristics of the PT-100 RTD (Resistance Temperature Detector) using least squares method.

## 1 TRAINING DATA

The training data gathered by the PT-100 to train the Arduino is shown in Table 1.

Temperature (°C)	Voltage (V)
66	1.85
27	1.76
2	1.66
23	1.72
56	1.82
34	1.76
33	1.75
31	1.74

TABLE 1: Training data.

The C++ source `codes/data.cpp` was used along with *platformio* to drive the Arduino.

## 2 MODEL

For the PT-100, we use the Callendar-Van Dusen equation

$$\begin{aligned} V(T) &= V(0) \left( 1 + AT + BT^2 \right) \\ \Rightarrow c &= \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{matrix} (1) \\ (2) \end{matrix}$$

where

$$c = V(T), \quad \mathbf{n} = V(0) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ A \\ B \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ T \\ T^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

For multiple points, (2) becomes

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{C} \quad (4)$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ T_1 & T_2 & \dots & T_n \\ T_1^2 & T_2^2 & \dots & T_n^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} V(T_1) \\ V(T_2) \\ \vdots \\ V(T_n) \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

and  $\mathbf{n}$  is the unknown.

## 3 SOLUTION

We approximate  $\mathbf{n}$  by using the least squares method. Using the pseudo-inverse method, the solution to (4) is

$$\mathbf{n} = (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{X}\mathbf{C} \quad (7)$$

The Python code `codes/lsq.py` solves for  $\mathbf{n}$ .

The calculated value of  $\mathbf{n}$  is

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.6547 \\ 3.199 \times 10^{-3} \\ -3.9599 \times 10^{-6} \end{pmatrix} \quad (8)$$

The approximation is shown in Fig. 1.

## 4 VALIDATION

The validation dataset is shown in Table 2. The results of the validation are shown in Fig. 2.

## 5 CONCLUSION

This lab experiment demonstrates how machine learning methods can be used to model the behaviour of an unknown device, and find the right

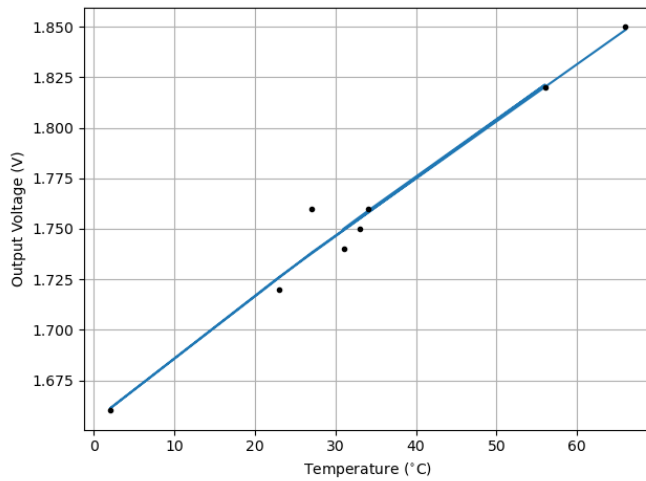


Fig. 1: Training the model.

Temperature (°C)	Voltage (V)
4	1.67
25	1.73
61	1.83
35	1.77

TABLE 2: Validation data.

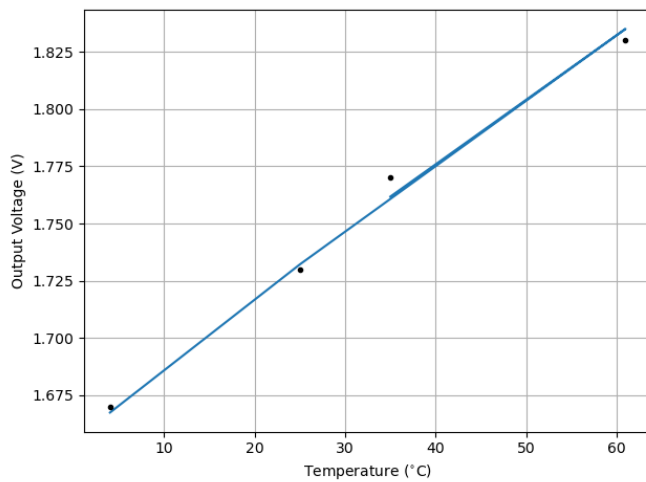


Fig. 2: Validating the model.

parameters that fit the model. It also shows how to use Python libraries and frameworks to collect data and perform optimization.