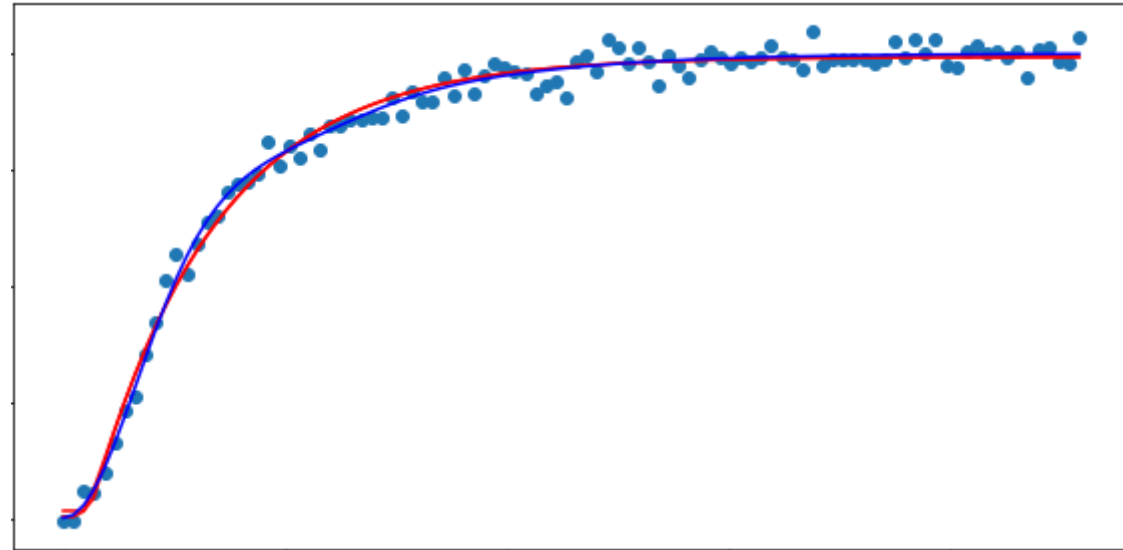


FIRST ORDER PLUS DEAD TIME REGRESSION

Optimizing parameter choices



LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Understand the basic principles of fitting models to data via least squares estimation
- Fit FOPDT models to process data using least squares optimization with Scipy

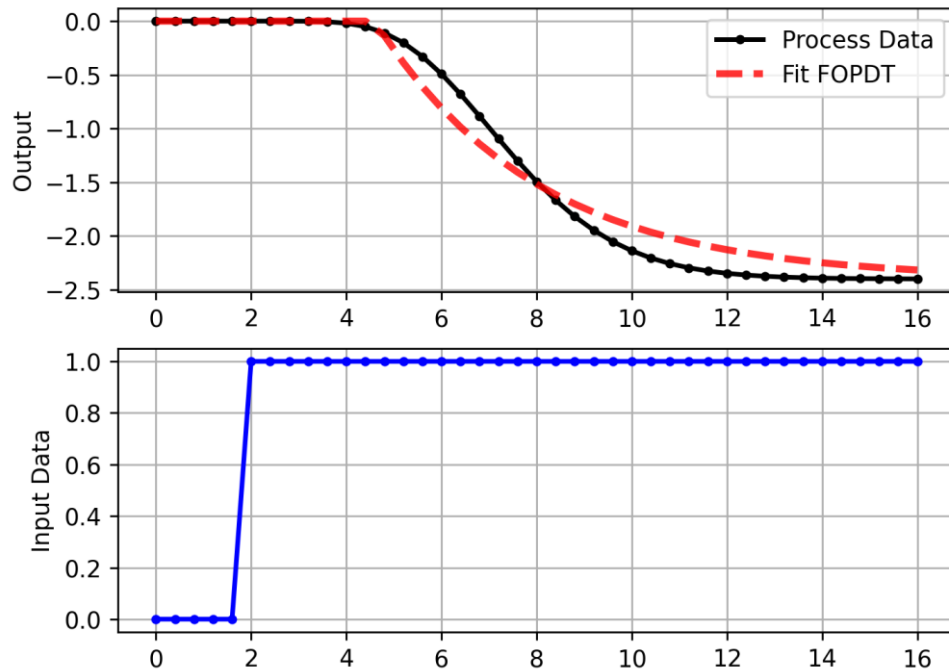
RESOURCES

- APMonitor course
 - <https://apmonitor.com/pdc/index.php/Main/FirstOrderOptimization>

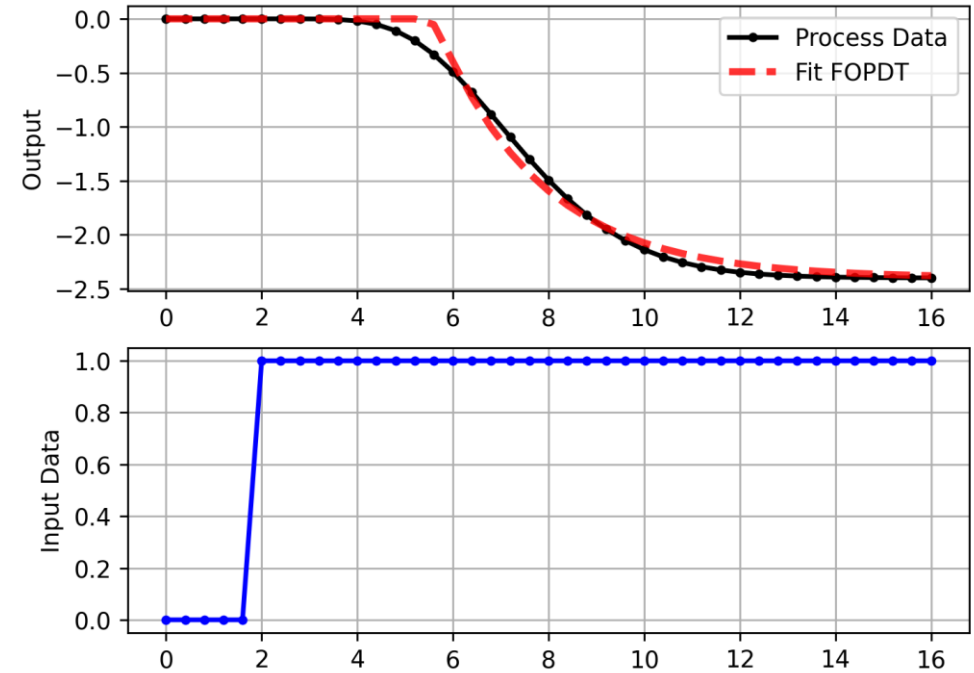
LAST TIME: FOPDT GRAPHICAL FITTING

- Limited to process data generated from a step test
- Doesn't necessarily find the best possible parameters

$$\tau_p \frac{dy'(t)}{dt} = -y'(t) + K_p u'(t - \theta_p)$$



trial and
error



How can we find the “best” parameters for any data without guessing? UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

LEAST SQUARES REGRESSION

- Data of input/output pairs

$$\{(u_i, y_{\text{data},i}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

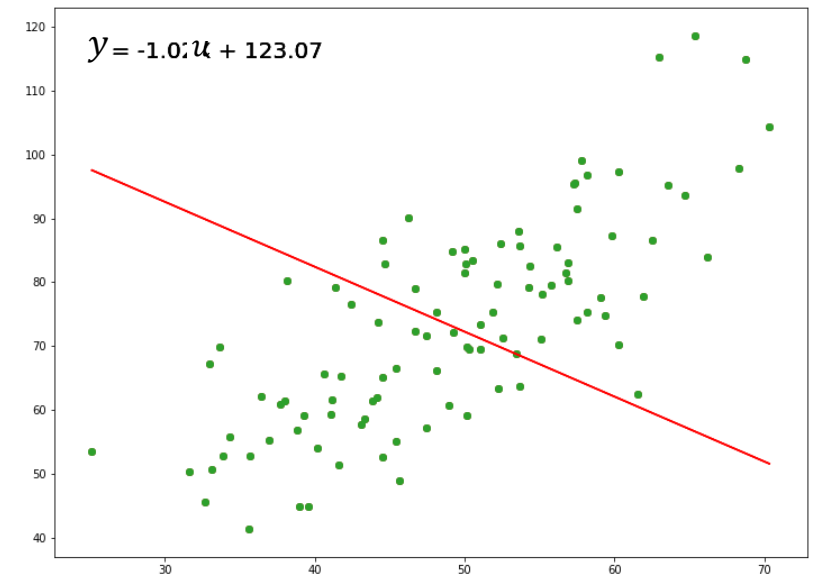
- Model f w/ parameters p that predicts output

$$y_{\text{pred},i} = f(u_i; x)$$

- Minimize the sum of squared errors (SSE) by adjusting p

$$\min_x \sum_i (y_{\text{data},i} - y_{\text{pred},i})^2 = \sum_i (y_{\text{data},i} - f(u_i; x))^2$$

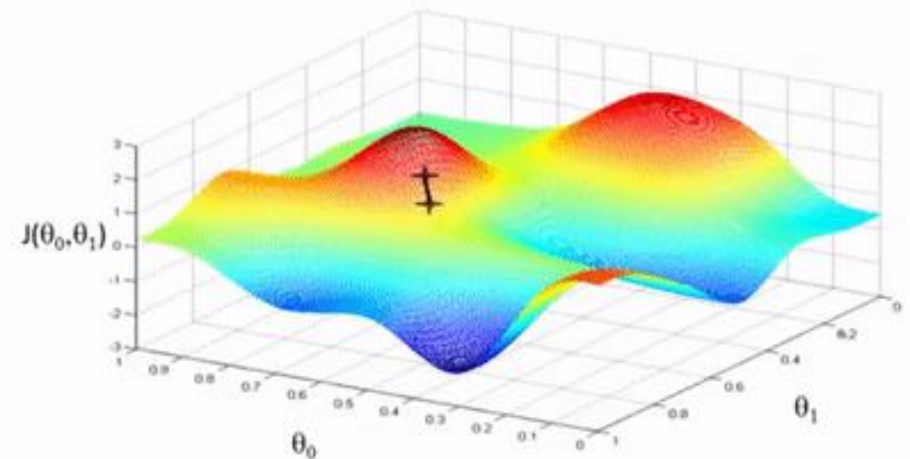
- Use optimization to effectively minimize



OPTIMIZATION BASICS

- Mathematics of decision making
- *Data*: Fixed values we cannot change
- *Variables*:
 - The values (i.e., choices) we wish to adjust
 - Often have lower/upper limits called bounds
- *Objective*:
 - A mathematical function that we can minimize
 - Determines what makes certain choices better
- Constraints: Later in the semester

$$\begin{array}{ll}\min_x & f(x; p) \\ \text{s.t.} & \underline{x} \leq x \leq \bar{x}\end{array}$$



OPTIMIZING W/ SCIPY

- Define an objective function *fun*
 - Takes vector variable x as input
 - Returns scalar objective value
- Define initial guess x_0
- Provide variable bounds if possible

scipy.optimize.minimize

`scipy.optimize.minimize(fun, x0, args=(), method=None, jac=None, hess=None, hessp=None, bounds=None, constraints=(), tol=None, callback=None, options=None)` [\[source\]](#)

Minimization of scalar function of one or more variables.

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & (x_1 - 2)^2 + (x_2 + 3)^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & -5 \leq x \leq 5 \end{aligned}$$

```
1  from scipy.optimize import minimize
2
3  # define the objective function
4  def objective(x):
5      |   return (x[0] - 2)**2 + (x[1] + 3)**2
6
7  # define parameters
8  x0 = [0, 1]
9  bounds = [(-5, 5), (-5, 5)]
10
11 # solve the problem
12 sol = minimize(objective, x0, bounds = bounds)
13 print('Did the solver converge: ', sol.success)
14 print('Optimized objective: ', sol.fun)
15 print('Optimized variables: ', sol.x)
```

FOPDT REGRESSION

- Dynamic process data

$$\{(t_i, u_i, y_{\text{data},i}) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

- Create a function to integrate FOPDT model that uses the data

- Inputs are parameters, outputs are the predictions at the data time points

$$y_{\text{pred}} = G_{\text{fopdt}}(K_p, \tau_p, \theta_p)$$

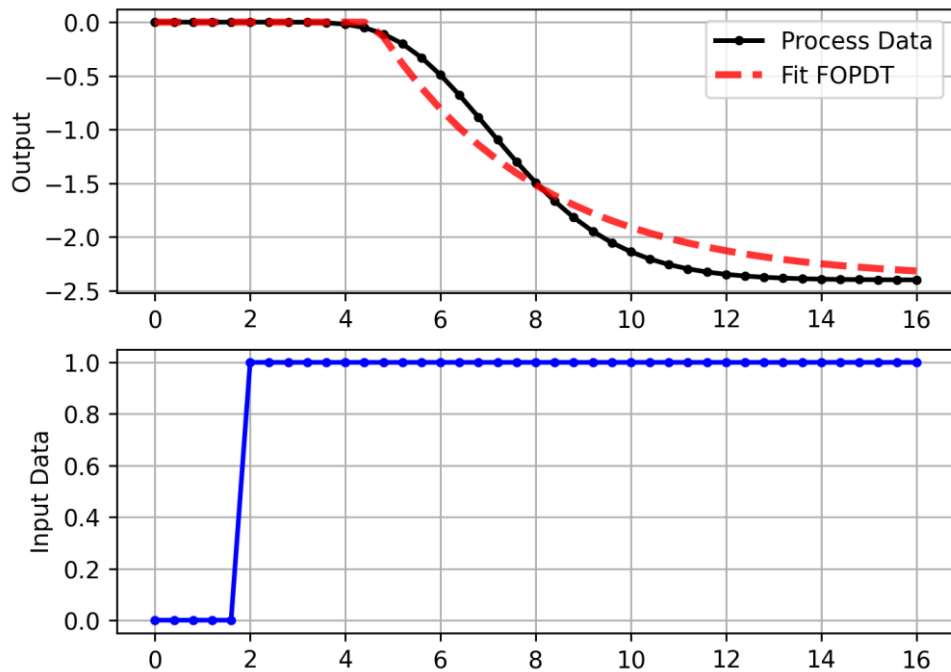
- Minimize the SSE between the predictions and the data

$$\min_{K_p, \tau_p, \theta_p} \sum_i (y_{\text{data},i} - G_{\text{fopdt},i}(K_p, \tau_p, \theta_p))^2$$

```
1  from scipy.integrate import odeint
2  from scipy.optimize import minimize
3  from scipy.interpolate import interp1d
4  import pandas as pd
5
6  # extract the data
7  data = pd.read_csv('data.csv')
8  t_data = data['time'].values - data['time'].values[0] # make initial time 0
9  u_data = data['u'].values # inputs
10 y_data = data['y'].values # outputs
11 uss = u_data[0] # input steady-state
12 yss = y_data[0] # output steady-state
13
14 # use interpolation to query u at any time
15 u_interp = interp1d(t_data, u_data, fill_value = (uss, u_data[-1]), bounds_error = False)
16
17 # define first-order plus dead-time approximation
18 def fopdt(y, t, Kp, taup, thetap):
19     return (-(y - yss) + Kp * (u_interp(t - thetap) - uss)) / taup
20
21 # define function to get FOPDT predictions for y
22 def G_fopdt(x):
23     Kp, taup, thetap = x
24     return odeint(fopdt, yss, t_data, args = (Kp, taup, thetap))
25
26 # define the SSE objective
27 def objective(x):
28     y_pred = G_fopdt(x)
29     return sum((y_data[i] - y_pred[i])**2 for i in range(len(y_data)))
30
31 # optimize
32 x_guess = [2, 3, 0]
33 solution = minimize(objective, x_guess)
34
35 # print results
36 print('Final SSE Objective: ', solution.fun)
37 print('Kp: ', solution.x[0])
38 print('taup: ', solution.x[1])
39 print('thetap: ', solution.x[2])
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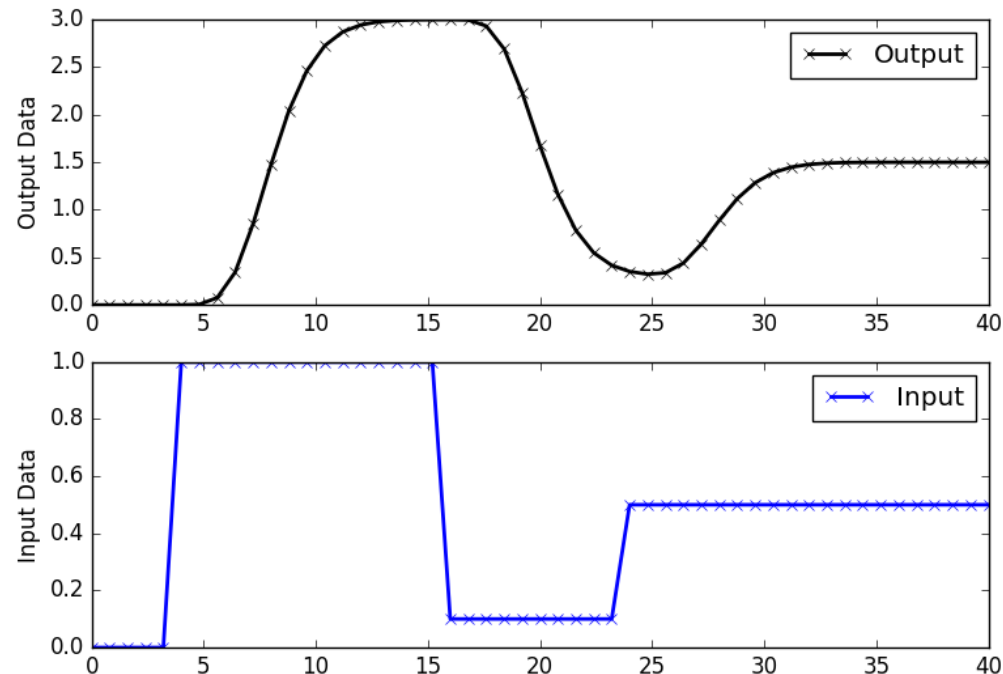

EXAMPLE: IMPROVE GRAPHICAL FIT

- Recall FOPDT fit we achieved with parameters from graphical method
- How does the optimized fit compare?



EXERCISE

- Use Scipy to fit an FOPDT model to the data
- Use the starter script “lecture6_starter.py”



BEFORE NEXT TIME

- Quiz 4: Due at 11:59pm
- Assignment 2: Due Monday (same time as Test 1)
- Study for Test 1
 - <https://apmonitor.com/pdc/index.php/Main/ExamModeling>