

ENGG1003 - Monday Week 6

Interpolation, Assignment 1 and Mid-term quiz

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Lecture overview

- 1 Interpolation
- 2 Assignment 1
- 3 Mid-term quiz

The story so far

- variables and data types
- arrays (using `numpy`)
- plotting (using `matplotlib`)
- flow control
 - ▶ `if`
 - ▶ `while`
 - ▶ `for`
- functions

Most of ENGG1003 from here uses these elements of Python to solve Engineering problems

1) Interpolation

Two common forms of *curve-fitting* in Engineering applications:

1 *interpolation*

- ▶ today's lecture

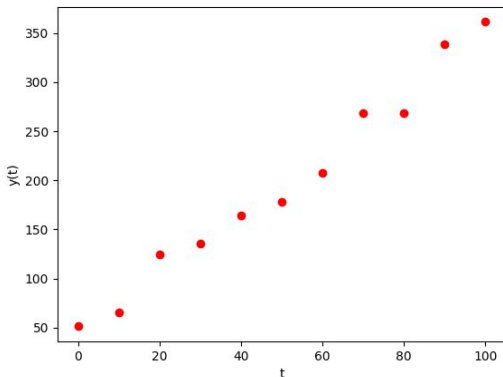
2 *regression*

- ▶ considered in detail later in ENGG1003

- we now demonstrate both curve-fitting methods applied to the same dataset

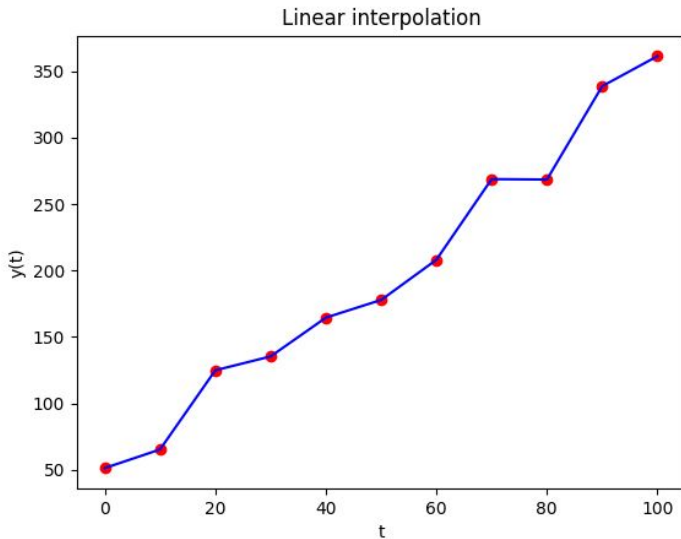
Curve-fitting dataset

Week6Mon.py

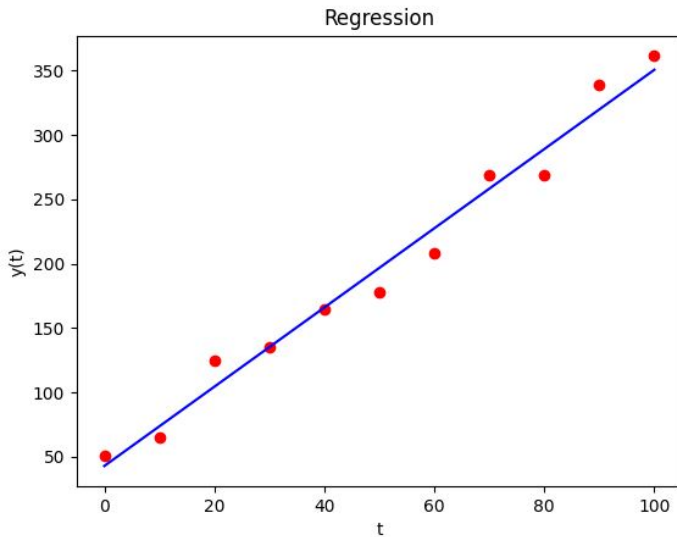


- 11 pairs of data points $(t_i, y_i), i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 10$
 $(0, 51.29), (10, 65.24), (20, 124.89), \dots, (100, 361.32)$

Interpolation



Regression



Interpolation vs. regression

- **interpolation:** joining the dots
 - ▶ obtain value of y at some intermediate point
- **regression:** fitting a straight line
 - ▶ when there's "too much data", simplify
 - ▶ here, simplifying to a straight line
 - ▶ will return to choosing "best" straight line later in ENGG1003
- both interpolation & regression involve creating a function (blue line) from data (red dots)

Functions

- review mathematical functions: week 5 Monday lecture, page 3
- function f takes data point x and returns $y = f(x)$
- review in PyCharm

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2) Assignment 1

- key dates: out, due date for submission
- counts for 20% of course grade
- how assessed: in lab, week 7 (after recess)
- the basic ideas behind the lab
- this weeks 2-hr face-face lab:
 - ▶ get started on the assignment
 - ▶ there isn't a week 6 lab sheet: assignment in place of work sheet

3) Mid-term quiz

- Thursday 1 April, 4–5pm
 - ▶ during scheduled lecture time
 - ▶ but there will not be any Zoom or YouTube livestream on 1 April
- 40-minute quiz
- open-book
- quiz will appear on BB at 4:15pm
- counts for 15% of course grade
- what you'll be asked

- what you can do to prepare for the quiz
 - ▶ read THIS csv— can get started now!
 - ▶ you'll be asked to write Python code to do some calculations on a specified column
 - ▶ enter your results into BB
 - ▶ cut-and-paste code into BB
- can practice NOW in BB
- demo to class in lecture

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Lecture summary

- Interpolation
 - ▶ linear interpolation (straight line “join the dots”)
 - ▶ cubic spline
- Assignment 1
 - ▶ xxx
- Mid-term quiz
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