# Homework 17

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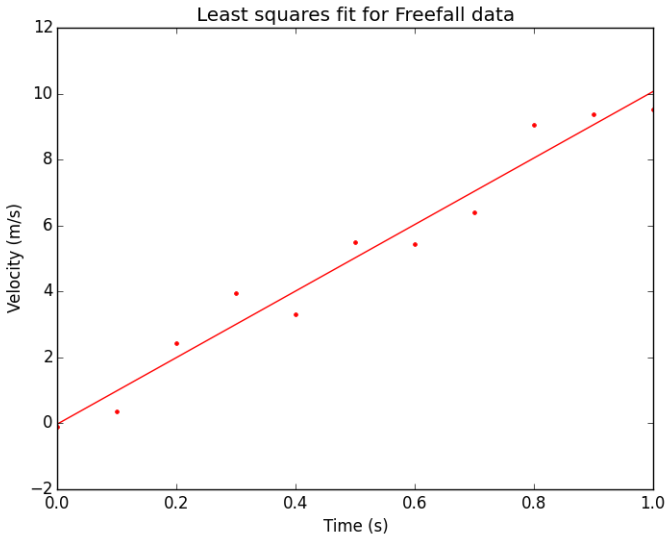
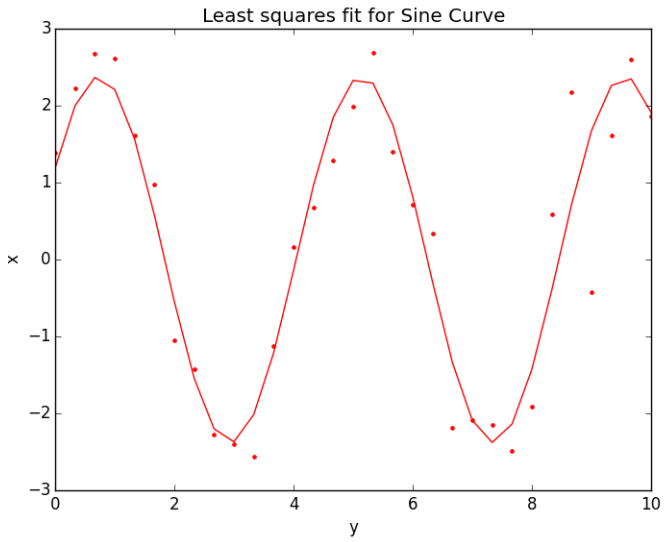
## 1 Exercise 1

For the first exercise, the data is linear. This means we can use the derivation provided in the text. Assigning the elements of the matrices is a simple matter of looping over each element of the imported data. Then we use linear algebra to solve, which yields values of $10.8 m/s$ for g, an error of 2.9%.




## 2 Exercise 2

In the second exericse, we use a function from the module "scipy" called curve fit. We have data from a sine curve, import it, and run it through this function to determine the amplitude (2.38), frequency (1.43), and phase(0.52).




## 3 Code

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import os
os.chdir("C:/Users/Colt/OneDrive/Documents/Professional/School/16spring/PY_251/Lesson

################################################################################
#functions and modules
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#import modules
import numpy as n
import pylab as p
from scipy.optimize import curve_fit

#relative error calculating function
def error(val, expval):
    return abs(val-expval)/expval
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################################################################################
#Exercise 1
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#import list of data
X, Y = n.loadtxt("freefall.data", usecols = (0, 1), unpack = True)

#define values in matrix. Note that a12, a21 are the same.
a11 = 0
for i in X:
    a11 += i**2

#sum of all x values
a12 = 0
for i in X:
    a12 += i
a21 = a12

#number of elements
a22 = len(X)

#sum of x,y values multipied
r1 = 0
for i,k in zip(X,Y):
    r1 += i*k

#sum of all y values
r2 = 0
for i in Y:
    r2 += i

#use linear algebra to solve the system
A = n.matrix([[a11,a12],[a21,a22]])
r = n.matrix([[r1],[r2]])
soln = n.linalg.solve(A,r)
a = soln[0,0]
b = soln[1,0]

func = []
for j in X:
    ans = j*a+b
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    func.append(ans)

#plot values on the graph
p.close()
p.plot(X,Y,"r.")
p.plot(X,func,"r")
p.title("Least squares fit for Freefall data")
p.xlabel("Time (s)")
p.ylabel("Velocity (m/s)")
p.savefig("freefall.png")
p.show()

print "Exercise 1: \nCalculated g: {:.2f} m/s\nPercent Error: {:.1f}%\n"\
.format(a,error(a,9.8)*100)

################################################################################
#Exercise 2
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def func(x,a,b,c):
    return a*n.sin(b*x+c)

Xd, Yd = n.loadtxt("sincurvedata.data", usecols = (0, 1), unpack = True)
par, con = curve_fit(func,Xd,Yd)

sin=[]
for i in Xd:
    y = func(i,par[0],par[1],par[2])
    sin.append(y)

p.close()
p.plot(Xd,Yd,"r.")
p.plot(Xd,sin,"r")
p.title("Least squares fit for Sine Curve")
p.xlabel("y")
p.ylabel("x")
p.savefig("sincurve.png")
p.show()
print "Exercise 2:\nAmplitute: {:.3f}\nFrequency: {:.3f}\nPhase: {:.3f}"\
.format(par[0],par[1],par[2])
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