

Introduction to Computer Programming

Week 9.2: Curve Fitting



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```
In [43]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
```

Fitted function

Example 1:

Fit a first degree polynomial (linear function) to the x, y data.

Print the coefficients of the fitted function.

```
In [44]: x = np.array([1, 6, 3, 4, 10, 2, 7, 8, 9, 5])
y = np.array([2, 4, 5, 4, 13, 3, 4, 8, 12, 4])

c1 = np.polyfit(x, y, 1) # coefficients of 1st degree fitted poly

print(c1)
print(c1[0], c1[1])

[ 1.07272727e+00 -5.61733355e-15]
1.0727272727272728 -5.61733354972272e-15
```

```
In [45]: from numpy.polynomial import Polynomial

c = Polynomial.fit(x,y,1)
print(c)

poly([5.9          4.82727273])
```

Try it yourself

Example 2:

Fit a second degree polynomial to the `x,y` data.
(Remember to import `numpy` to use `polyfit`).

Print the coefficients of the fitted function.

```
In [46]: x = np.array([1, 6, 3, 4, 10, 2, 7, 8, 9, 5])
y = np.array([2, 4, 5, 4, 13, 3, 4, 8, 12, 4])

c2 = np.polyfit(x, y, 2) # 2nd degree poly

print(c2[0], c2[1], c2[2])

0.19318181818181812 -1.0522727272727272 4.2499999999999994
```

Fitted data

Example 3:

Use `numpy.polyval` to generate `x,y` data of the fitted linear function.

```
In [47]: x_new = np.array(sorted(x)) # x values, sorted monotonically for
yfit1 = np.polyval(c1, x_new) # 1st degree polynomial
```

Try it yourself

Example 4:

Use `numpy.polyval` to generate `x,y` data of the fitted second degree polynomial function.

```
In [48]: x_new = np.array(sorted(x)) # x values, sorted monotonically for
yfit2 = np.polyval(c2, x_new) # 2nd degree polynomial
```

Plotting fitted data

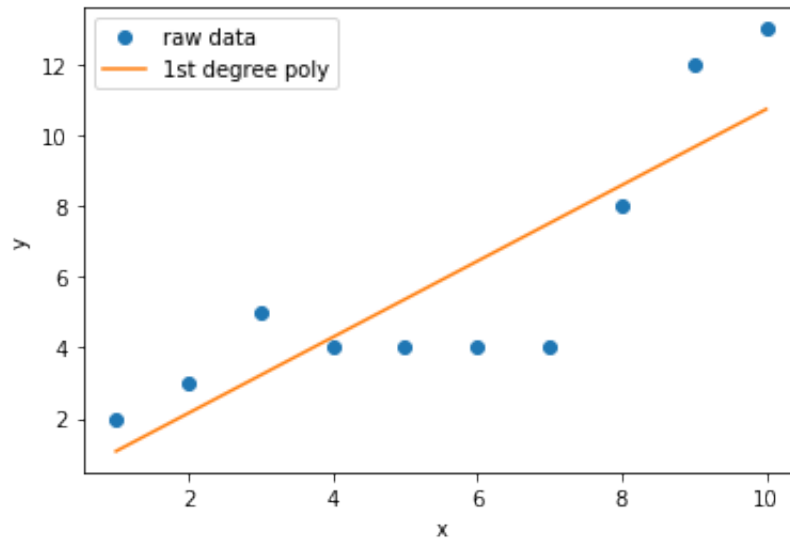
Example 5: Plot the raw data as a scatter plot and fitted linear function as a line graph on the same figure.

```
In [49]: # plot data
plt.plot(x, y, 'o', label='raw data') # raw data
plt.plot(x_new, yfit1, label='1st degree poly'); # fitted 1st degree

plt.legend()

plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')
```

Out[49]: Text(0, 0.5, 'y')



Try it yourself

Example 6:

Plot the raw data as a scatter plot and second degree polynomial function as a line graph on the same figure.

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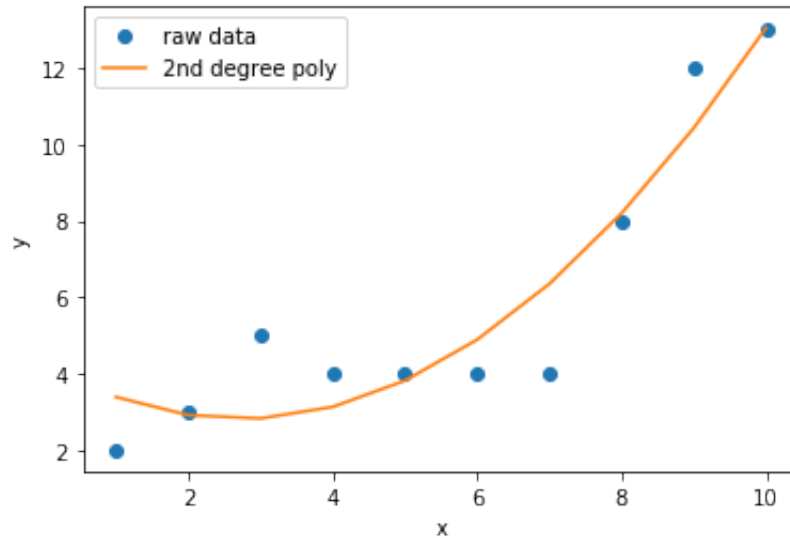
In [50]: # plot data
plt.plot(x, y, 'o', label='raw data') # raw data
# plt.plot(x_new, yfit1, label='1st degree poly'); # fitted 1st degree
plt.plot(x_new, yfit2, label='2nd degree poly'); # fitted 2nd degree

plt.legend()

# label the axes
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')

```

Out[50]: Text(0, 0.5, 'y')



Example 7

Fit the function $y = ae^{bx}$ which we defined earlier as `exponential` and find the RMSE:

```

In [51]: from scipy.optimize import curve_fit

def RMSE(x, y, yfit):
    "Returns the RMSE of a y data fitted to x-y raw data"
    # error
    e = (yfit - y)

    # RMSE
    return np.sqrt(np.sum(e**2) / len(x))

def exponential(x, a, b): # input arguments are independent variable,
    y = a * np.exp(b*x)
    return y

```

```
In [52]: c, cov = curve_fit(exponential, x, y) # constants of fitted function
        yfit = exponential(x, *c) # no need to sort x monotonically
        rmse = RMSE(x,y,yfit) # goodness of fit
        print(f'RMSE = {rmse}')
```

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RMSE = 1.3338248760975626
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