

**Birla Institute of Technology and Science**  
**Machine Learning**  
**Lab Sheet #4**

**Learning Outcome:**

a) Linear Regression: Curve Fitting

Suppose we have the following dataset ("b" the response variable and "a" the predictor variable)

```
a <- c(34,66,98,120,130, 146,154.5,160)
b <- c(99.5,104.8,108.5,100,86,64,35.3,15)
```

Plot the above dataset using

```
>plot(a, b, pch = 19) #pch indicates symbol to be used.
```

Observe that instead of fitting a line, it is better to fit a curve for the given dataset. Do the following:

```
f1 <- lm(b~a) #fit first degree polynomial equation
f2 <- lm(b~poly(a,2,raw=TRUE))# Second degree polynomial
#generate range of 50 numbers starting from 30 and ending at 160
xx <- seq(30,160, length=50)
plot(a,b,pch=19,ylim=c(0,150))
lines(xx, predict(f1, data.frame(a=xx)), col="red")
lines(xx, predict(f2, data.frame(a=xx)), col="green")
```

- Q1. Now, fit a curve of third and fourth degree.
- Q2. Find the coefficients of corresponding equations.
- Q3. See the summary of f1 and f2.
- Q4. Repeat the above process for cars dataset.
- Q5. Repeat the above process for iris dataset.

