

# PHYS 705.01 - Fall 2020

## Homework 03

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In [1]: ##### IMPORTS #####

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import scipy.optimize as opt
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### Question 1

The table lists the channel numbers  $x$  and  $\Delta x$ , obtained by fitting Gaussians to photopeaks of known energies  $E$ .

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In [2]: ##### RAW DATA PROVIDED #####

x = np.array([354.588,646.387,1055.096,716.784,810.951,413.66,519.326,323.637,779.143])
dx = np.array([0.039,0.035,0.403,0.129,0.096,0.036,0.042,0.073,0.068])
E = np.array([569.70,1063.66,1770.24,1173.24,1332.50,661.66,834.86,511.02,1274.54])
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### Part A)

Fit a straight line, s.t.  $E = A + Bx$  to this data set. What are the best values for the parameters  $A$  and  $B$ ?

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In [3]: class LinearRegressor :
        """ Linear Regression class """

        def __init__(self,x,y):
            """ Intialize LinearRegressor Instance """
            self.x = x
            self.y = y
            self.avgX = np.mean(self.x)
            self.avgY = np.mean(self.y)

        def ComputeSlope(self):
            """ Compute Degree 1 Coefficient """
            _a = np.sum((self.x - self.avgX) * (self.y - self.avgY))
            _b = np.sum((self.x - self.avgX)**2)
            self.slope = _a/_b
            return self.slope

        def ComputeIntercept(self):
            """ Compute Degree 0 Coefficient """
            self.intercept = self.avgY - (self.slope * self.avgX)
            return self.intercept
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In [4]: # Use Regression Class Above
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EnergyFit = LinearRegressor(x=x,y=E)
B = EnergyFit.ComputeSlope()
A = EnergyFit.ComputeIntercept()

# Print Results
print("Best value for A =",A)
print("Best value for B =",B)

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Best value for A = -44.337084200344066  
 Best value for B = 1.7066164038476765

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In [5]: # Compute Uncertainty
dx_avg = np.mean(dx)
rad = 0
for i in range(len(x)):
    rad += (E[i] - A - B*x[i])**2

uncertaintyE = np.sqrt(1/(len(x)-2) * rad)

radA,sumXsq = 0,0
for i in range(len(x)):
    radA += (x[i]**2)
    sumXsq += (x[i]**2)

delta = len(x) * sumXsq - np.sum(x)**2
uncertaintyA = uncertaintyE * np.sqrt(radA/delta)
uncertaintyB = uncertaintyE * np.sqrt(len(x)/delta)

print("Uncertainty in A =",uncertaintyA)
print("Uncertainty in B =",uncertaintyB)

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Uncertainty in A = 8.635145306757664  
 Uncertainty in B = 0.01298389073188239

The best value for  $A$  is given by  $-44.34 \pm 8.64$  and the best value for  $B$  is given by  $1.71 \pm 0.01$ .  
 $A$  has units of energy, [keV] and  $B$  has units of energy per channel [keV/ch] - assume  $x$  has units of "channel"?

## Part B)

Compare your values to those obtained from a linear fitting routine in Python (That's here!)

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In [6]: def LinearFit (x,A,B):
        """ Produce Linear Fit Hypothesis Function """
        return A + B*x

optVals,optCov = opt.curve_fit(LinearFit,xdata=x,ydata=E,p0=[-44,2])

# Print Results
print("Best value for A =",optVals[0])
print("Best value for B =",optVals[1])

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Best value for A = -44.337083000673495  
 Best value for B = 1.7066164010557967

Using the "scipy.optimize.curve\_fit()" function, with a linear fit hypothesis space, we arrive at a similar conclusion for the best possible values of  $A$  and  $B$ , being  $-44.34$  and  $1.71$  respectively.

## Part C)

We observe an "unknown" photopeak at  $x_\mu = 688.0 \pm 1.2$ . Use the results from part A to determine its Energy,  $E_\mu$  and error.

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In [7]: # We use the Linear Fit Hypothesis
x_mu = 688.0
dx_mu = 1.2
E_mu = LinearFit(x_mu,A,B)

# Compute Uncertainty
errorVector = np.sqrt((uncertaintyB/B)**2 + (dx_mu/x_mu)**2)
uncertaintyE_mu = uncertaintyA + B * x_mu * errorVector

# Print results
print("Prediction for E =",E_mu,"[KeV]")
print("Prediction error for E =",uncertaintyE_mu,"[KeV]")
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Prediction for E = 1129.8150016468576 [KeV]  
 Prediction error for E = 17.799808962780517 [KeV]

## Part D)

The Error in Part (c) is unreasonably large. We can reduce it by rewriting the function used for calibration. We instead choose  $E = A' + B'(x - x_0)$  to fit with data. We use  $x_0 = 0, 100, 200, \dots, 1100$ . What do we observe? Which value of  $x_0$  results in the most precise calibration? Use this to recalculate  $E_\mu$ .

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In [8]: def ModifiedLinearFit (x,x0,A,B):
        """ Produce Modified Linear Fit Hypothesis Function """
        return A + B*(x - x0)
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## Question 2

Show that errors should be added in quadrature by adding two Gaussians and examining the resulting distribution: add a Gaussian centered at  $x$  with width  $\sigma_x$  to a Gaussian centered at  $y$  with width  $\sigma_y$ . Show resulting distribution has width of  $\sqrt{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2}$ .

The general form of a normalized Gaussian function over the domain  $r$  is given by:

$$N(\mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(r-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Thus for the above condition over the domain  $r$ , we have the sum of the two distributions:  $N(x, \sigma_x) + N(y, \sigma_y)$  is given by:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_x^2}} e^{-\frac{(r-x)^2}{2\sigma_x^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_y^2}} e^{-\frac{(r-y)^2}{2\sigma_y^2}}$$

The uncertainty in each is given by  $\sigma_x$  or  $\sigma_y$

## Question 3

Let  $f(a, b)$  be a product of the parameters to some power,  $f(a, b, c) = a^m b^n c^p$ .

## Part A)

Show that the relative uncertainty of  $f$  is given by:  $\left(\frac{\Delta f}{f}\right)^2 = \left(m\frac{\Delta a}{a}\right)^2 + \left(n\frac{\Delta b}{b}\right)^2 + \left(p\frac{\Delta c}{c}\right)^2$

From uncertainties in multiplication, we know the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta a}{a} + \frac{\Delta b}{b} + \frac{\Delta c}{c}}$$

as also shown in the question above. From exponentiation, such as  $f(a) = a^m$ , we also know:

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = |m| \frac{\Delta x}{x}$$

Thus combining the two uncertainties resulting from the multiplication of exponentiation results in:

$$\left(\frac{\Delta f}{f}\right) = \sqrt{\left(m\frac{\Delta a}{a}\right)^2 + \left(n\frac{\Delta b}{b}\right)^2 + \left(p\frac{\Delta c}{c}\right)^2}$$

or

$$\left(\frac{\Delta f}{f}\right)^2 = \left(m\frac{\Delta a}{a}\right)^2 + \left(n\frac{\Delta b}{b}\right)^2 + \left(p\frac{\Delta c}{c}\right)^2$$

### Part B)

Demonstrate that this relation enables a quick estimate if  $m = n = p$  or at least approximately equal, and one parameter has a much larger relative error than the others.

If  $m = n = p$ , we can simplify the equation,

$$f(a, b, c) = (abc)^m$$

And we can simplify the error:

$$\left(\frac{\Delta f}{f}\right)^2 = m^2 \left[ \left(\frac{\Delta a}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta b}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Delta c}{c}\right)^2 \right]$$

Thus if one parameter has a larger error than the others, it dominates all of the other components. For example if  $\Delta a \gg \Delta b$  and  $\Delta a \gg \Delta c$ . We can then approximate the error in  $f$  as:

$$\left(\frac{\Delta f}{f}\right)^2 = m^2 \left(\frac{\Delta a}{a}\right)^2$$

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