

## Polyval() and Polyfit()

Ex.  $p1 = [3 \ 0 \ -1];$   
 $\text{polyval}(p1, 1:2)$

$$\longrightarrow 3x^2 + 0x - 1$$

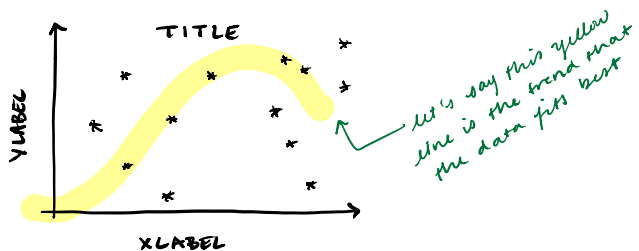
$$\text{polyval} = \frac{3(2)^2 + 0(2) - 1}{2 \quad 11}$$

Ex. (More practical)

- (a) Have a data file where first column is x-values, second column is y-values.  
This data file is called raw-data.dat

```
load raw-data.dat
plot(raw-data(:,1), raw-data(:,2), 'k*')
xl = sprintf('%s LABEL', 'x');
yl = sprintf('%s LABEL', 'y');
title('TITLE')
xlabel(xl)
ylabel(yl)
```

*just showing examples of sprintf(), not really necessary in this example*



- (b) Now seeing this plot, we want to fit the data! Let's say we want to fit a cubic meaning polynomial order is 3.

```
p2 = polyfit(x-values, y-values, polynomial order);
p2 =
    -3     2    -1     4
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trend = polyval(p2, linspace(0,100,1000));
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(and if wanted to superimpose the trend line like in the above plot)

```
hold on
plot(trend, p2, 'y')
hold off
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