

**PHY153 (virtual class)**

**Today: 04/23/2020 programming lab**

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**Plan of today's class:**

1. Straight line fitting, 0423Ex1.py [50% of final project]  
DUE date: May 5 (TU)
2. Files [Zybook Ch12 , previous reading assignment]  
In class activities : ZyLabs: 12-7, 12-8,12-9

## 0423Ex1.py Straight line (2 parameters) fitting – practice

Use your own code / functions to fit  $g(x) = a*x + b$  to the data

**Credit: From Stony Brook University: PHY252 THE PHOTOELECTRIC EFFECT)**

In this experiment you will use the photoelectric effect to measure the Planck constant  $h$ . This classical experiment led to the first precise determination of  $h$ , and in 1926 R.A. Millikan received the Nobel Prize for it.

A phototube is illuminated by light of a known wavelength. Electrons are ejected from the photocathode with some kinetic energy  $K$ . They are collected as anode current unless a variable retarding potential  $V$  is large enough to stop the electrons. For a given potential  $V$  all electrons with  $K < eV$  will be stopped, and at some value  $V_0$  even the fastest electrons with a kinetic energy  $K_{max}$  will be stopped when

$$K_{max} = h\nu - W = e V_0 , \quad (1)$$

with  $\nu$  the frequency of the incident light, and  $W$  the work function of the cathode material ( $W = h\nu_0$ ). By measuring  $V_0$  for different light frequencies, for a known value of  $e = 1.602176634 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ , one can determine the Planck constant  $h$ .

$$g(x) = ax + b, \text{ where}$$

$$x = \nu, a = h, b = -W$$

## 0423Ex1.py

- 1) For each type of cathode material (Na, Pt, Ag, K, Cs):
  - a) plot  $K_{max}$  versus the frequency  $\nu$ , fit a straight line according to Eq.1, and from the best fit results determine work function  $W$  and  $h$  with uncertainties. Use error propagation, if needed. How good are your fits? Quantify by calculating Chi2 (“Sm”) and p-value.
  - b) Compare  $W$ ’s obtained from the fits in a) with  $W_{true}$  (given for each material in column 2, Tab.I). Quantify the agreement (or disagreement) by calculating “f” value and corresponding p-value.

(you should have 5 sets of results a) and b) for 5 different materials)
- 2) Combine 5 fit results on  $h$  (Planck constant) for various types of cathode material, as obtained in part 1) above, to find the best value on  $h$  (with uncertainty),  $h_{best}$ , and compare it with the “true” value  $h_{true} = 0.4135667696 * 10^{-14}$  [eV\*s]. Quantify the agreement (or disagreement) between  $h_{best} +/- \sigma_{hbest}$  and  $h_{true}$  by calculating the “f” value and corresponding p-value.

Data file as a text file or a table (next page)

[https://blackboard.stonybrook.edu/bbcswebdav/pid-5355754-dt-content-rid-42121216\\_1/courses/1204-PHY-153-SEC01-47443/data\\_0423202.txt](https://blackboard.stonybrook.edu/bbcswebdav/pid-5355754-dt-content-rid-42121216_1/courses/1204-PHY-153-SEC01-47443/data_0423202.txt)

# 0423Ex1.py

Cathode material	$W_{true}$ [eV]	$\nu$ [10 <sup>14</sup> Hz]	$K_{max}$ [eV], $\sigma_{K_{max}} = 1.0$ [eV]
Sodium (Na)	2.3	[ 4.2 8.3 10.4 12.5 14.6 16.7 18.8 20.8 22.9 25. 27.1 29.2 31.3 33.3 35.4 37.5 39.6 41.7 43.8 45.8 47.9 50. ]	[1.0 2.0 3.2 2.7 5.1 4.1 6.1 5.9 8.2 7.8 10.3 8.5 10.2 11.4 13. 13.7 12.9 14.8 16.1 15.7 17.1 19.4]  Fit: a= h /10-14= 0.39 +/- 0.02 b= - W = -1.36 +/- 0.49 Sm=12.85 p-value = 0.88 Wtrue =2.3 compared with fm = 1.89, p-value (Gauss) = 0.058
Platinum (Pt)	6.4	[16.7 18.8 20.8 22.9 25. 27.1 29.2 31.3 33.3 35.4 37.5 39.6 41.7 43.8 45.8 47.9 50. ]	[1.9 1.9 1.3 5. 2.8 4.6 3. 4.9 8. 7.3 9.1 10.4 8.6 11.9 13.7 14. 13.1]
Silver (Ag)	4.7	[10.4 12.5 14.6 16.7 18.8 20.8 22.9 25. 27.1 29.2 31.3 33.3 35.4 37.5 39.6 41.7 43.8 45.8 47.9 50. ]	[1.5 0.3 2.4 2.6 3.1 3.2 5.4 3.9 7.5 7. 8.5 6.9 9.4 10.5 12.7 13.7 13.6 14.6 15.1 15. ]
Potassium (K)	2.2	[ 6.2 8.3 10.4 12.5 14.6 16.7 18.8 20.8 22.9 25. 27.1 29.2 31.3 33.3 35.4 37.5 39.6 41.7 43.8 45.8 47.9 50. ]	[ 0.9 0.8 1.6 2.5 3.7 5.9 4.3 6.8 9.1 8.8 8.7 10.2 9.4 10.7 13.1 12.1 14.3 15.8 15.2 15.8 17.6 18.8]
Cesium (Cs)	1.9	[2.1 4.2 6.2 8.3 10.4 12.5 14.6 16.7 18.8 20.8 22.9 25. 27.1 29.2 31.3 33.3 35.4 37.5 39.6 41.7 43.8 45.8 47.9 50. ]	[0.3 0.4 0.4 2.6 3. 3.3 4.1 5.7 7.2 5.7 6.5 8.8 8. 10.6 10.4 12.1 11.7 13.7 15.9 16.5 15.6 18.1 18.2 18.7]

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#Example code how to integrate Gauss function from x=low_lim to x=up_lim
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import numpy as np  
from scipy.integrate import quad
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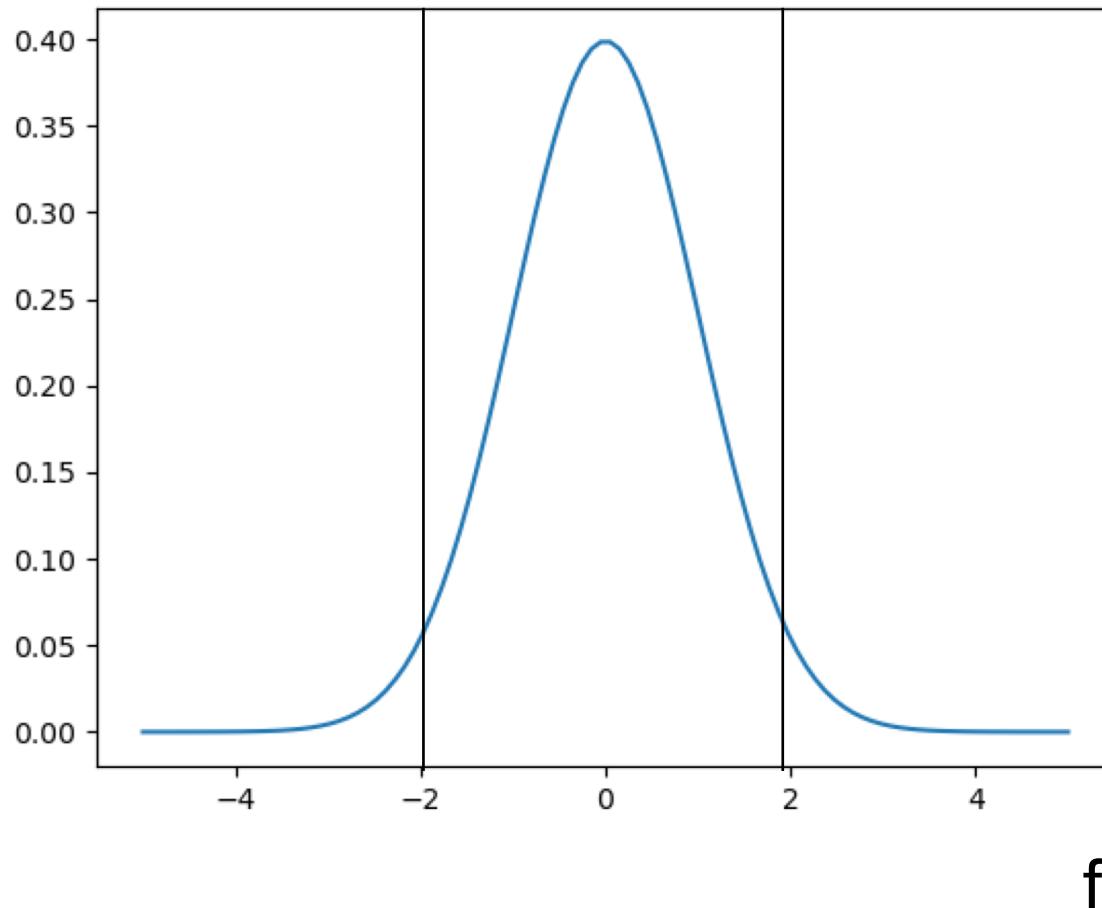
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def myGauss(xl,mul,s2l):  
    return np.exp(-(xl-mul)**2/2/s2l)/np.sqrt(2*np.pi*s2l)
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mu=0.  
s2=1.  
low_lim=-2.  
up_lim=2.  
integral= quad(lambda x,mu,s2: myGauss(x,mu,s2), low_lim, up_lim,args=(mu,s2))  
print (integral[0])
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$$fm = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{\sigma}$$

fm= f-value obtained from an experiment  
x- fitted parameter, s uncertainty on the parameter,  
 $\bar{x}$  – theoretical prediction

Gauss



Example

fm=2

mu=0.

s2=1.

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integral= quad(lambda x,mu,s2: myGauss(x,mu,s2), -fm, fm,args=(mu,s2))
pvalue = 1 - integral[0]
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