



#### Lecture 2 Data Fitting



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# <u>Outline</u>

- Confidence in Measurements
- Linear Regression
- Error Propagation
- Quantization Error





#### Confidence in Measurements

#### Consider the GPS measurements of my AUV...







Zoom in, and you can see the AUV when it isn't moving



#### What is the AUV's location?





 When we take measurements, we want to know how "good" they are.

We establish measures of confidence in our measurements
 E.g. confidence limits, standard deviation, variance, etc.





 Lets just consider the case where we want to estimate the **actual** longitude

 $\mu_x$ 

• Consider *N* measurements of longitude

 $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots x_N$ 





• For these *N* measurements, the **sample mean** is

$$\overline{x} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i ,$$

 We define the residual error, for each measurement, to be

$$e_i = x_i - \overline{x}$$





We characterize our residual errors using the sample variance:

$$S^{2} \equiv \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} e_{i}^{2} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_{i} - \overline{x})^{2}$$

• The sample standard deviation can be defined as:

$$S = \sqrt{S^2}$$





- The sample variance S<sup>2</sup> characterizes the spread of the measurements.
- We estimate how far the sample mean is from the actual value using the estimated standard error:

$$ESE = \frac{S}{\sqrt{N}}$$





 Lets get back to our AUV's GPS measurements of longitude. Here are N measurements:



 The corresponding sample mean, sample variance, and estimated standard error are:

 $\overline{x} = -120.626368$  S = 7.71967E-06 ESE = 3.8265E-07





#### Confidence in Measurements

- We can use the estimated standard error, to determine confidence intervals.
- That is, we can say

 $\mu$  is within +/-  $\lambda$  of  $\overline{x}$  with *P*% confidence







#### Confidence in Measurements

• For example:

actual longitude is within +/- 0.00000075° of -120.626368° with 95% confidence





• Where does  $\lambda = 0.00000075$  come from?

#### $\lambda = ESE * t$

- "Students t value"
  - The value of t relates the confidence interval to the area under a standard distribution





### Confidence in Measurements

- What is t ?
  - Represents the limits of a standard distribution that encapsulates 1-P of area under the distribution
  - The df are the degrees of freedom, which is the number of samples N minus number of parameters estimated

SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL FOR TWO-TAILED TEST						
df	.20	.10	.05	.02	.01	.001
1	3.078	6.314	12.706	31.821	63.657	636.619
2	1.886	2.920	4.303	6.965	9.925	31.598
3	1.638	2.353	3.182	4.541	5.841	12.941
4	1.533	2.132	2.776	3.747	4.604	8.610
5	1.476	2.015	2.571	3.365	4.032	6.859
10	1.372	1.812	2.228	2.764	3.169	4.587
20	1.325	1.725	2.086	2.528	2.845	3.850
30	1.310	1.697	2.042	2.457	2.750	3.646
40	1.303	1.684	2.021	2.423	2.704	3.551
60	1.296	1.671	2.000	2.390	2.660	3.460
120	1.289	1.658	1.980	2.358	2.617	3.373
∞	1.282	1.645	1.960	2.326	2.576	3.291







- Summary:
  - 1. Calculate your mean  $\bar{x}$
  - 2. Calculate your estimated standard error *ESE*
  - 3. For a given df and significance level = 1 P, find t from table
  - 4. Calculate  $\lambda = ESE * t$





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- Sometimes we measure one variable x, but are interested in another variable y = f(x)
- Often, *f()* is assumed to be linear

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$





Shark tracking Example...







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• We usually must estimate the coefficients  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ . from a data set:

$$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots (x_N, y_N)$$

Our model becomes

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$$





• To estimate  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  we minimize the sum of squared errors:

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{N} e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[ y_i - \left( \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i \right) \right]^2$$

This minimization results in

 $\hat{\beta}_0$ 

$$= \overline{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \overline{x}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \overline{x})^2}$$





• How much confidence do we have in  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$ ?

$$S_e = \sqrt{\frac{SSE}{N-2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^N e_i^2}{N-2}} \,. \label{eq:seeded}$$





• How much confidence do we have in  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$ ?

$$S_{\beta_0} = S_e \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} + \frac{\overline{x}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \overline{x})^2}} \cdot S_{\beta_1} = S_e \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \overline{x})^2}} \cdot \lambda_{\beta_1} = t S_{\beta_1}$$
$$\lambda_{\beta_1} = t S_{\beta_1}$$





• How much confidence do we have in y?

$$S_{y} = S_{e} \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} + \frac{(x - \overline{x})^{2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_{i} - \overline{x})^{2}}}$$
$$\lambda_{v} = t S_{v}$$





Quick Summary:

• Given a set of (x, y) pairs, we can calculate

- The coefficient estimates  $\hat{\beta}_{0,}\hat{\beta}_{1}$  of the linear regression
- 2. The confidence limits  $\lambda_{\beta 0}$ ,  $\lambda_{\beta 1}$  on the coefficients
- 3. The confidence limits  $\lambda_y$  on the y values





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Given a function F(x, y, z, ...), and known error in variables x, y, z, ..., what is the error in F?





 Lets assume that errors are small and that we can make a first order Taylor series approximation:

$$F-F_{true}=\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(x-x_{true})+\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(y-y_{true})+\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z-z_{true})+\cdots.$$





• For errors  $\varepsilon = x - x_{true}$ , that are systematic, known, and small, we can rewrite as:

$$\varepsilon_F = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\varepsilon_x + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\varepsilon_y + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}\varepsilon_z + \cdots.$$





 If errors of x, y, z, ... are independent random variables, then standard errors are assumed related by:

$$\varepsilon_F = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)^2 \varepsilon_x^2 + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)^2 \varepsilon_y^2 + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}\right)^2 \varepsilon_z^2 + \cdots}$$





- Example:
  - We model the range to a shark tag  $\rho$  as a function of the strength of the received acoustic signal s.







- Example cont':
  - □ If we know the sample variance  $S_s^2$  in signal strength measurements, and the variance  $S_K^2$  in  $K_s$ , we can calculate the corresponding variance in range  $S_o^2$

$$S_{\rho}^{2} = (d\rho / ds)^{2} S_{s}^{2} + (d\rho / dK_{s})^{2} S_{K}^{2}$$
$$= (aK_{s}s^{a-1})^{2} S_{s}^{2} + (s^{a})^{2} S_{K}^{2}$$





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# <u>Quantization Error</u>

Lets revisit the static AUV plot of positions...



We have ~0.1 meter resolution





# <u>Quantization Error</u>

- We often witness finite precision in our sensors.
  - If the sample standard deviation S of our measurements is much larger than the quantization error (e.g. 10 times greater), we can ignore the quantization error.
  - For the GPS longitude measurements which have S > 1 meter, we can ignore the quantization error.





# <u>Summary</u>

- We can calculate confidence intervals for parameters being measured
- We can construct linear models relating two parameters, along with their confidence intervals
- We can approximate how the error of one parameter affects a function of that parameter
- We can check that the quantization error is insignificant





#### To the Rescue









# <u>Quantization Error</u>

- DMM Example:
  - For a 12 bit DAQ, set to +/- 5V, the quantization range q is:  $q = 10V * 1/2^{12} = 0.027V$
  - $\hfill\square$  The standard deviation of measurements within q is  $S_q = q \ / \sqrt{12}$

If 
$$S > 10S_q$$
, ignore  $S_q$   
If  $S_q > S > 10S_q$ , let  $S^2_{used} = S^2 + S^2_q$