

Excercise

- Write down the main topic/title of the first five classes
- For each class, what were the main ideas
 - Outline each class.
 - Put in details
 - What examples were done?
- Do this alone, then with a group, then switch groups.
- Create your own review notes (like these slides).
 - First “recall” then look up to fill in.

Class 1: intro, basics, moving, formatting

Topic
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Arrays, fill, locked cells, plotting
Solving nonlinear equations
Curve fitting
Rate equations
Review, Midterm 1



- Select: ctrl+arrow; double click cell, ctrl+shift+arrow
- Copy/paste: right click; ctrl+c, ctrl+v; copy, highlight, paste; fill
 - Paste special
- Insert, delete, clear contents.
- Right click → format cells
- Bold, color, indent, borders, merge, resize, font
 - Use single tick to enter equations as text: `'=sin(x)` → `=sin(x)` appears
- Organization
 - Variable, value, units.
 - Whitespace

Class 2: functions, arrays, fill, plotting

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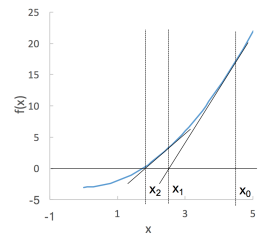
- Functions
 - abs, cos, sin, tanh, int, ln, log10, sum, sqrt
 - count, max, min, average, stdev
 - if, countif, today, now
 - sumsq
- Name cells
- Fill
 - Horizontal
 - Vertical
 - Lock cells (\$A\$1): F4, cmd+t
- Plotting
 - Highlight → scatter plot.
 - Right click, double click, menu options.
 - Make it readable; include axis labels (units), legend, font size.
 - Multiple lines
 - Highlight several columns
 - Copy one plot onto another
 - Right click → select data...
 - "fill" selected column data → drag
- Get external data

Class 3: nonlinear equations

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- Nonlinear equations
 - F(x)=0 form.
 - Newton's method

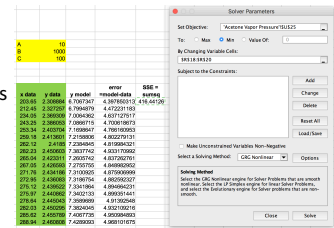
$$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)}{f'(x_i)}$$
- Solver
 - Cell for x, cell for f(x)
 - 1 equation
 - 2+ equations



Class 4: curve fitting

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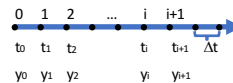
- Trendlines
 - Plot the data
 - Right click → add trendline
 - Select type
 - If type doesn't fit:
 - Redefine variables: regroup;
 - "massage" the formula
 - Options
 - R², display equation, set intercept
- General fitting
 - If trendline doesn't work, or if desired
 - Model equation with parameters
 - Find best fitting parameters
 - Cells for parameters
 - Cells for x, y data
 - Cells for y model
 - in terms of parameters
 - Error = model-data
 - Find $SSE = \sum E_i^2$



Class 5: rate equations

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- Given the slope f(y,t)
- Find function y(t)
- Do this numerically
- Explicit Euler
 - Discrete grid of points



$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y, t)$$

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} = f(y, t)$$

$$\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\Delta t} = f(y_i, t_i) \longrightarrow y_{i+1} = y_i + \Delta t f(y_i, t_i)$$

- Start at y₀, step to y₁ → Start at y₁, step to y₂ → Etc.
- Choose a stable (small) timestep size
- Write cells for constants: dt, y₀, etc.
- Write t-grid and y solution in terms of "constants" cells
- Fill down → plot answer

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y, t)$$

$$y(0) = y_0$$