

# ECE 376 - Homework #7

Data Collection & Student t-Test.

## Data Collection (population A)

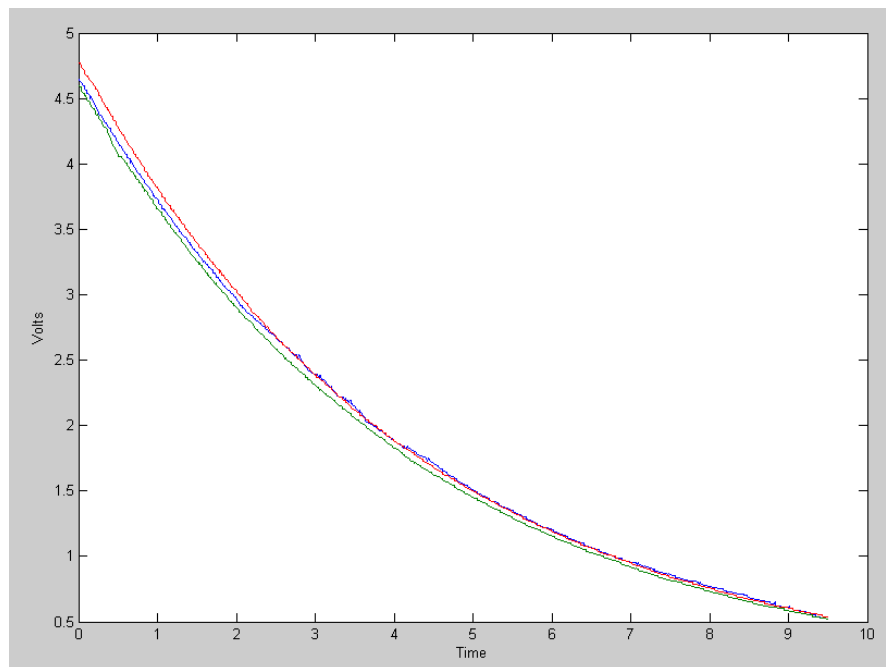
1) Measure one of the following with at least two data sets and 20+ data points per run:

- The voltage across a capacitor as it discharges
- The temperature of a cup (or can) of hot water as it cools off
- The temperature of a can of cold water as it warms up
- Other

Plot the resulting data vs. time.

The voltage of a 100uF capacitor discharging across a 100k resistor:

```
>> V1 = V1(50:1000);  
>> V2 = V2(50:1000);  
>> V3 = V3(50:1000);  
>> t = [1:length(V1)]' * 0.01;  
>> plot(t,V1,t,V2,t,V3)  
>> xlabel('Time')  
>> ylabel('Volts');
```



2) Determine the time constant from your data using least-squares

$$V = ae^{-bt} \qquad T = ae^{-bt} + T_{amb}$$

$$\ln(V) = \ln(a) - bt \qquad \ln(T - T_{amb}) = \ln(a) - bt$$

```
>> B = [t, t.^0];
>> A1 = inv(B'*B)*B'*log(V1)

-0.2267
 1.5447

>> A2 = inv(B'*B)*B'*log(V2)

-0.2297
 1.5253

>> A3 = inv(B'*B)*B'*log(V3)

-0.2310
 1.5652

>> Data = [A1(1),A2(1),A3(1)]

Data =    -0.2267    -0.2297    -0.2310

>> uFa = -[10/A1(1), 10/A2(1), 10/A3(1)]

uFa =    44.1198    43.5405    43.2923
```

uF is the corresponding value of C assuming

- R = 100k
- t = 10ms sampling rate

*note: Probably t is wrong, which is why my 100uF capacitor is measuring at 43uF*

3) Use a student t-test to determine the 90% confidence interval for your time constant (b).

```
>> Xa = mean(uFa)
```

```
Xa =    43.6509
```

```
>> Sa = std(uFa)
```

```
Sa =    0.4246
```

*From a t-Table with 2 degrees of freedom, 5% tails corresponds to a t-score of 2.92*

The 90% confidence interval is thus

$$\bar{x} - 2.92s < b < \bar{x} + 2.92s$$

```
>> Xa + 2.92*Sa
```

```
ans =    44.8908
```

```
>> Xa - 2.92*Sa
```

```
ans =    42.4110
```

**I'm 90% certain that C is in the range of (42.4110uF ... 44.8908uF)**

## Data Collection (population B)

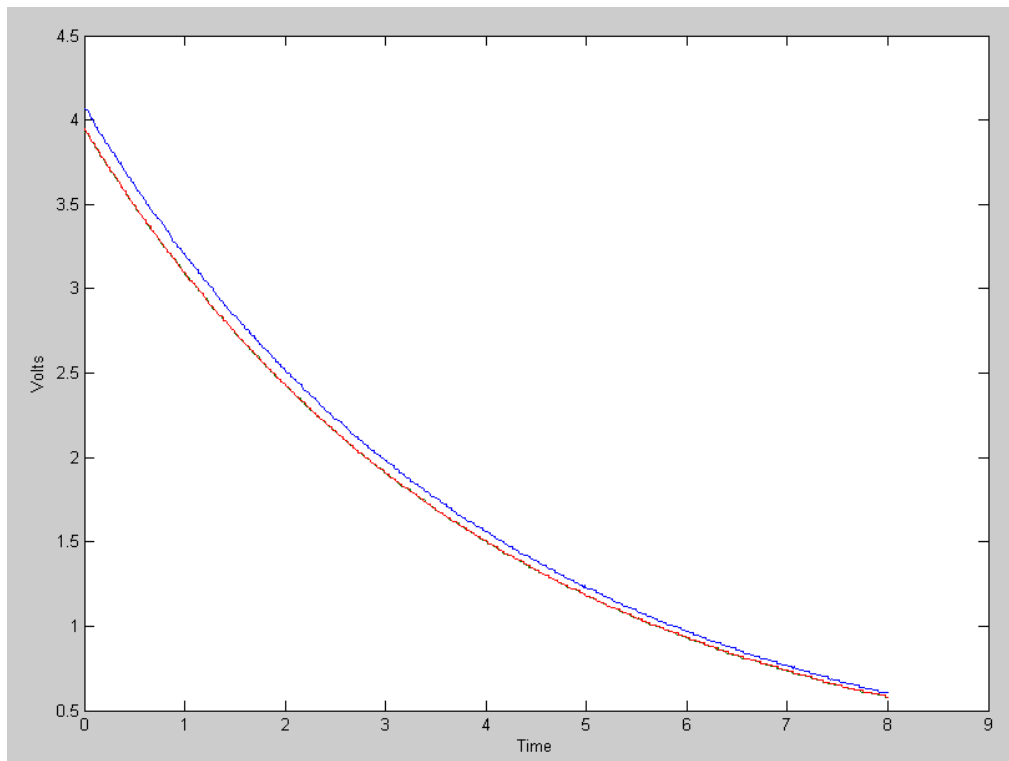
Change something in your experiment

- Use a different 100uF capacitor

4) Take a second set of data with the change.

Plot the resulting data vs. time

```
>> V1 = Data1(100:900);  
>> V2 = Data2(100:900);  
>> V3 = Data3(100:900);  
>> t = [1:length(V1)]' * 0.01;  
>> plot(t,V1,t,V2,t,V3)  
>> xlabel('Time')  
>> ylabel('Volts');
```



5) Determine the time constant from your data using least-squares

```
>> B = [t, t.^0];
>> A1 = inv(B'*B)*B'*log(V1)

-0.2388
 1.4019

>> A2 = inv(B'*B)*B'*log(V2)

-0.2398
 1.3679

>> A3 = inv(B'*B)*B'*log(V3)

-0.2394
 1.3678

>> Data2 = [C1(1), C2(1), C3(1)]

Data2 = -0.2388 -0.2398 -0.2394

>> uF2 = -[10/C1(1), 10/C2(1), 10/C3(1)]

uF2 = 41.8749 41.7049 41.7789
```

This is the measured capacitance of the second 100uF capacitor

6) Use a student t test to determine the 90% confidence interval for your time constant (b).

Again, with a sample size of three (meaning two degrees of freedom), 5% tails corresponds to a t-score of 2.92

```
>> Xb = mean(uF2)

Xb = 41.7862

>> Sb = std(uF2)

Sb = 0.0852

>> Xb + 2.92*Sb

ans = 42.0351

>> Xb - 2.92*Sb

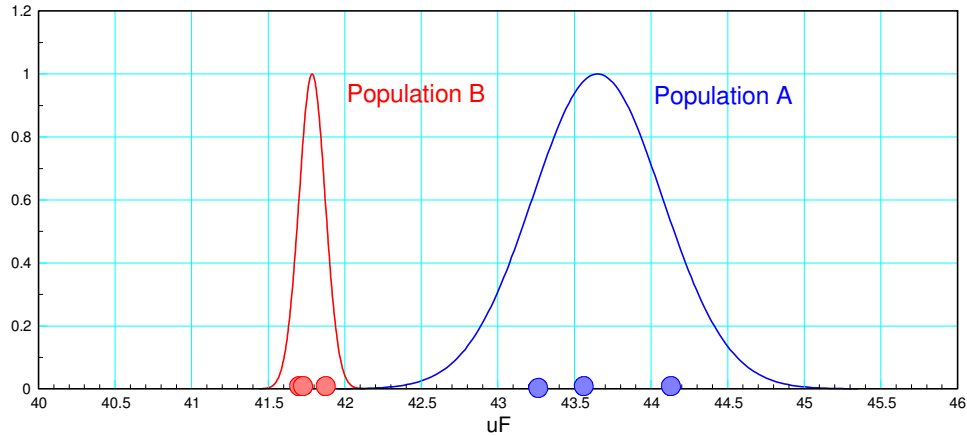
ans = 41.5374
```

**I'm 90% certain that the second 100uF capacitor is the range of (41.5374uF ... 42.0531uF)**

## Comparison of Means Test (A vs. B)

7) Do a comparison of means test to determine the probability that

- The next measurement from A will have a higher value than the next measurement from B
- Population A has a higher mean than population B



**Individual:** Create a new variable  $W = A - B$

```
>> Xw = Xa - Xb
Xw =    1.8646

>> Sw = sqrt(Sa^2 + Sb^2)
Sw =    0.4331

>> t = Xw / Sw
t =    4.3055
```

From StatTrek, a t-score of 4.3055 with 2 dof corresponds to a probability of 0.975

**I'm 97.5% certain the the next reading of capacitor A will be higher than the next reading of capacitor B**

**Population:** (take sample size in to account): Create a new variable,  $W = A - B$

```
>> Xw = Xa - Xb
Xw =    1.8646

>> Sw = sqrt(Sa^2 / 3 + Sb^2 / 3)
Sw =    0.2500

>> t = Xw / Sw
t =    7.4574
```

From StatTrek this corresponds to a probability of 0.991

**I'm 99.1% certain that capacitor A is larger than capacitor B**