- 1. (10 pts) You wish to better understand the pedestrian traffic there is on campus.
 - (a) (5 pts) Create a precise problem statement that is simple enough for you to be able to model.
 - (b) (5 pts) List at least five assumptions or simplifications you would make in order to model your problem statement from part (a).
- 2. (10 pts) Suppose you have a large set of data that appears to satisfy exponential growth.
 - (a) (4 pts) Write a paragraph that explains at least two different reasons why it might be justified to do a **visual** function fit instead of a **regression** fit.
 - (b) (6 pts) Give the necessary steps in order to perform the visual fit. Explain the steps clearly and precisely.
- 3. (10 pts) In class last Wednesday (2/27/13), we discussed six different ways to evaluate the strengths of a model.
 - (a) (3 pts) List the names of **all six** of these different evaluation criteria.
 - (b) (7 pts) Choose **ONE** of these evaluation criteria to describe more fully.
 - First, give the definition of this evaluation criterion.
 - Next, give an example of a model that satisfies this criterion.
 - And, give an example of a model that does not satisfy this criterion.
- 4. (10 pts) Suppose you have a dataset $\{x_i, y_i\}$ for $1 \le i \le n$, and a line of best fit f(x) = mx + b. Suppose in addition that **all the datapoints** lie on the line. Start with the definition of the R^2 coefficient and **prove** that $R^2 = 1$ for this dataset.
- 5. (5 pts) Determine the output of the following *Mathematica command*. Explain your reasoning.

6. (10 pts) Write down *one or more lines* of *Mathematica* code that will fit a **polynomial of degree 3** to the data that is stored in the variable dataset.