
Subject: Re: chi^2 minimisations & calling c
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Tue, 14 Oct 2003 16:52:05 GMT
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danb@star.herts.ac.uk (Dan B) writes:

> Hi peeps.
>
> Before I go and get Ronn Klings book on calling c from IDL am I going
> to be able
> to code a chi^2 minimisation routine?

We can't speak for your abilities to code a minimization routine.
It's certainly possible, and IDL doesn't forbid it.

Strange, but I find that I have zero sympathy for people using DLMs
and CALL_EXTERNAL. Especially in a case like this, where good chi^2
minimization routines exist in IDL already, why reinvent the wheel?
Debugging the internal interface to IDL will take a lot of time.

Craig

P.S. For example MPFIT,
<http://cow.physics.wisc.edu/~craigm/idl/idl.html>

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