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Subject: Re: Piecewise curve fitting in idl  
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d.po...@gmail.com wrote:

> On 31 Jul., 05:39, James Kuyper <jameskuy...@verizon.net> wrote:  
>> d.po...@gmail.com wrote:  
>>> On Jul 31, 1:21 pm, Wox <nom...@hotmail.com> wrote:  
>>>> On Thu, 31 Jul 2008 03:30:22 -0700 (PDT), d.po...@gmail.com wrote:  
>>>> > Folks  
>>>> > How we can do the piecewise curve fitting in idl. Say we have an array  
>>>> > that this array has got 2 or 3 trends in data and we want to fit a  
>>>> > liner curve for each trends. In MATLAB curve fitting tool, we can  
>>>> > easily exclude or include a part of data and then fit a curve. How we  
>>>> > can do this in IDL  
>>>> > Cheers  
>>>> > Dave  
>>>> Euhm, just do the fitting on the different parts? Or do you mean  
>>>> fitting with a piecewise polynomial (i.e. spline: see e.g. IMSL\_BSLSQ  
>>>> or IMSL\_CONLSQ)  
>>  
>>> just doing the fitting on the difrent part. how we can select this  
>>> parts and how we can fit a curve to these parts separatly?  
>>> Cheers  
>>  
>> Identifying the different parts is up to you. How do you know that there  
>> are 2-3 different trends? Whatever method you use to reach that  
>> conclusion will have to be adequate to identify where the different  
>> trends start and end. However, once you have identified the different  
>> parts you want fit separately, fitting each one separately is trivial:  
>> pass x[trend\_start[i]:trend\_end[i]] and y[trend\_start[i]:trend\_end[i]]  
>> to the curve-fitting routine.  
>>  
>> If you want a curve fitting routine that automatically figures out where  
>> each trend starts and ends, then it gets a LOT more complicated. You  
>> could do that by using a non-linear curve fitting routine, and make the  
>> transition point between the two trends be one of the parameters of your  
>> fitting curve. However, I would strongly recommend trying to understand  
>> why you see 2 or 3 different trends, and then try to come up with a  
>> single mathematical model for the entire curve that reflects that  
>> reason. Then fit that model to your data.- Zitierten Text ausblenden -  
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> how we can do this in lplot?

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