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Subject: Re: 3D Curve Fitting

Posted by [Wox](#) on Wed, 01 Oct 2008 11:50:47 GMT

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On Wed, 1 Oct 2008 04:08:29 -0700 (PDT), Rob.Dimeo@gmail.com wrote:

> On Oct 1, 4:55i½am, Wox <nom...@hotmail.com> wrote:

>> On Wed, 1 Oct 2008 00:35:08 -0700 (PDT), jaz <jazpear...@gmail.com>

>> wrote:

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>> If you have 3 independent variables, you can't use mpfit or curvefit

>> or whatever. There was a recent thread about fitting a plane through

>> 3D points:[http://groups.google.com/group/comp.lang.idl-pvwave/browse\\_thread/thr...](http://groups.google.com/group/comp.lang.idl-pvwave/browse_thread/thr...)

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> Using either MPFIT or MPCURVEFIT, I am not aware of any such

> limitation on the number of independent variables with which one can

> fit a user-supplied model to data (other than computational

> resources).

Sorry for the confusing, it must be: "If you have 3 DEPENDENT variables, you can't use mpfit or curvefit or whatever"

The point is, mpfit (and all curvefitting routines) can handle only 1 dependent variable and any number if independent variables.

The example I was referring to was fitting a plane  $ax+by+cz+d=0$  through measured points in 3D.

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