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Subject: Re: How to plot linear regression relation of two array?

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Hu writes:

- > Yes, I use function linfit() to get the parameters a and b ( $Y=3Da+b*X$ )
- > But How can I get the  $R^2$  ?

R is the correlation coefficient. I typically get it from CORRELATE:

```
params = LinFit(x, y, /DOUBLE)
r = Correlate(x, y, /DOUBLE)
r_sqrd = r^2
```

You can put it on to your plot with XYOUTS:

```
XYOUTS, 0.1, 0.9, /NORMAL, 'R^2 = ' + $
StrTrim(String(r_sqrd, FORMAT='(F8.2)'),2)
```

Cheers,

David

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming ([www.dfanning.com](http://www.dfanning.com))  
Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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