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Subject: Re: Error detected while calling MPFIT\_FDJAC2  
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Wed, 23 Jun 2010 04:47:16 GMT  
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On Jun 22, 5:40 am, Fermiona Fermiona <fermion...@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hello Dr. Craig,  
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> I didn't compute the derivatives. The user function returns the  
> residual:  
>  
> FUNCTION LinearFit, p, X=x, Y=y, ERR=err, $  
>           perror=perror, bestnorm=bestnorm, dof=dof  
>  
>   model = p[0]+p[1]*x  
>   resid = (y-model)/err  
>  
>   return, resid  
> END  
>  
> and inside the procedure, I had:  
>  
> p0 = [51.0,-0.5]  
> args = {X:x_n, Y:y_n, ERR:yerr}  
> fit_res = mpfit('LinearFit', p0, functargs=args,perror=perror,  
> bestnorm=bestnorm, dof=dof)  
>  
> The first time I called mpfit outside of the loop, there was no  
> error.  
> When mpfit was called again, from inside the loop this time, I got the  
> error I mentioned.  
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I'm guessing what "inside" and "outside" of a loop might mean.

Forgetting a loop, does your experience mean that you can call MPFIT with some arguments a first time, and it works; and then you do it again with *exactly* the same arguments and it fails? That would be odd.

Or, do you mean you are calling MPFIT recursively?

Craig

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